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THURSDAY, JUNE 28

◆ Phil Ogilvie's Rhythm Kings are the featured act at the 2007 St. John Hospital and Medical Center Music on the Plaza concert series, beginning at 7 p.m. The concert is on The Village Festival Plaza at the corner of St. Clair and Kercheval.
 ◆ The semi-annual Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce meeting is from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Lochmoor Club. Reservations can be made by calling (313) 881-4722.
 ◆ The Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club and the city of Grosse Pointe Farms will hold the 55th annual regatta for residents at the Farms Pier Park beginning this evening at 7 with the final sailboat race of the spring Thursday night racing series. Family events start on Saturday with the bicycle parade at 11 a.m. There are many other family, children's and adult events, including a pie-eating contest, inflatable boat races, a sand castle contest and a pie-baking contest. The city's fireworks display is scheduled for dusk on Saturday. On Sunday, there will be a pet parade beginning at 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

◆ The Grosse Pointe South High School class of 1987 is having a noon picnic at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park. For more information, call Bill Kalmar at (313) 505-6578.
 ◆ Pilot a professional bass fishing boat from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Amoco Food Shop, 19100 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms. The BP Boat Simulator features a life-size BP Ranger Boat and is staffed by FLW-Outdoors employees. People of all ages are welcome to give it a try. There is no charge for the event.

MONDAY, JULY 2

◆ The City of Grosse Pointe Woods council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

Independence Day
 ◆ All government offices and banks will be closed and garbage pick-up will be delayed a day.

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Comptroller selected

Grosse Pointe Woods council takes action to fill staff vacancy

By Beth Quinn
 Staff Writer

A contract offer has been extended to Jaynmarie Christopher Hubanks, Ferndale's finance director, to replace departed Clifford Maison as treasurer/comptroller in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Hubanks' appointment is pending contract discussions and a background check. She will directly report to the council.

In addition to overseeing Ferndale's finances for 18 years, Hubanks has been assistant city manager for more than seven years.

"She is very well qualified; highly experienced," council member Vicki Granger said. "Our Plante and Moran rep Mark Hurst said 'I've seen a lot of municipal treasurers and she'd be at the top. She's very good.'"

At the meeting, Hubanks faced a round of prepared

questions from the board and city officials. The interview was taped for council member Darryl Spicher who was not present.

Prior to the questions, Hubanks stated her reasons for seeking the position. She said after working for Ferndale for 18 years, she wanted a

chance to try something new. "My motto is not to work one job for more than seven years," Hubanks said. "After awhile a person gets stale. I have recreated my job, taken on many tasks."

"I'm ready for a fresh
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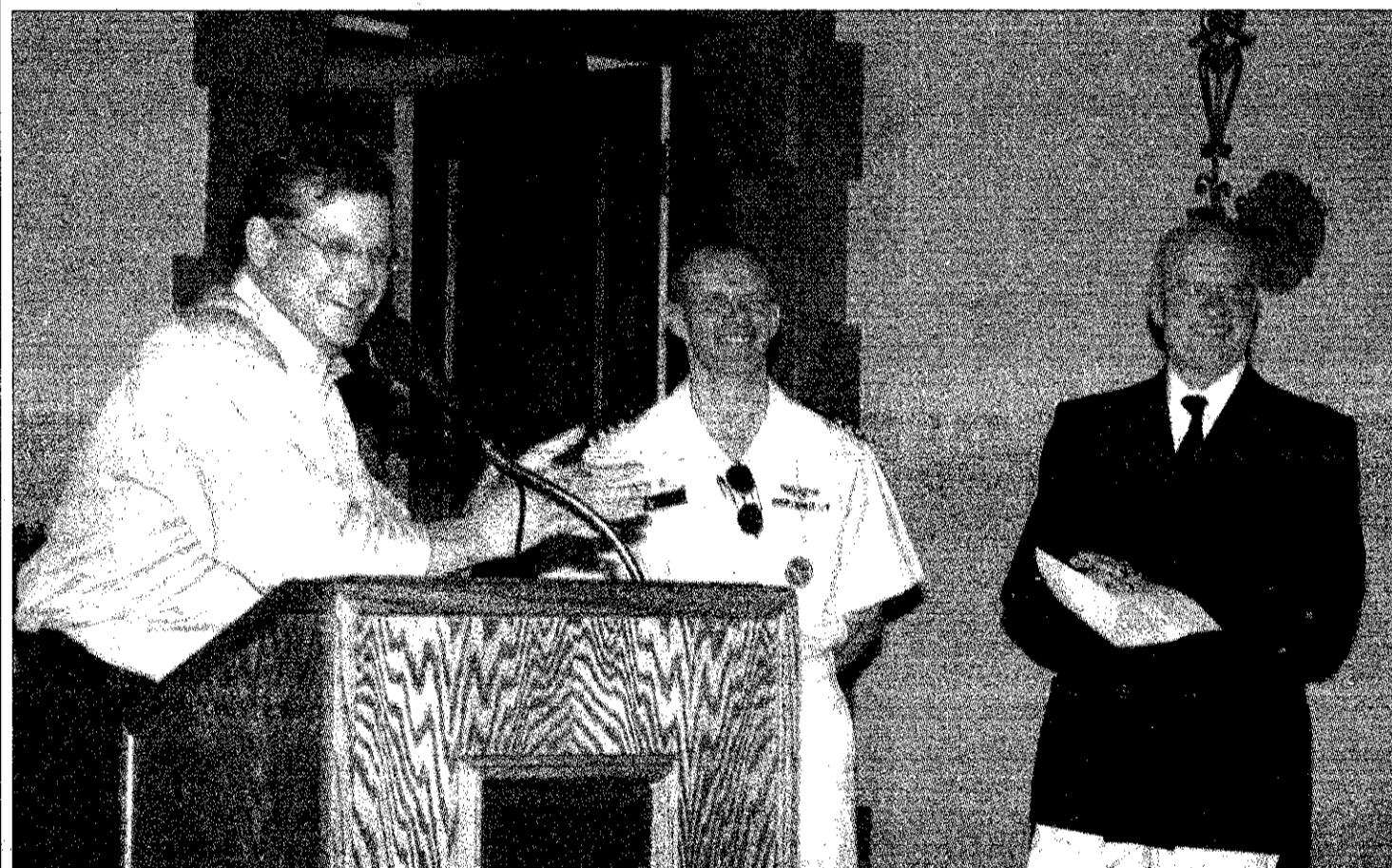


PHOTO BY KRISTINE VOLK

Master Chief Sales Woody, Capt J.R. Haley of the USS Theodore Roosevelt, CVN-71, a nuclear powered Navy carrier, and Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Commodore J. Dennis Andrus enjoy a reception held in honor of the captain at the club. For more photos of Capt. Haley's weekend in Michigan, see page 18A.

Library budget set at \$4.1 million

2 percent revenue increase expected

By Kathy Ryan
 Special Writer

The Grosse Pointe Public Library is ready to begin its fiscal year on July 1 with a new budget, a new insurance carrier, and new computer resources that will take the library far beyond 2008.

Library director Vicky Bloom reviewed the proposed \$4 million budget, which projects a two percent increase in

revenue over the 2006-2007 budget and an 8 percent increase in expenses.

Local tax revenue will generate nearly \$3.9 million of the \$4.1 million budget, even with a slight reduction in the library millage, which the board set at 1.5412, down from 1.5414 the

previous year.

"Our millage rate reflects the Headlee Amendment cap on taxes," explained board president Laura Bartell. "Headlee will continue to squeeze us in the future, and the millage rate

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G.P. WOODS

Kroger takes over

Farmer Jack put out to pasture

By Bob St. John
 Staff Writer

Kroger announced June 21 that it has reached an agreement to acquire 20 of the 66 Farmer Jack stores in the metropolitan Detroit area from The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.

The Mack location in Grosse Pointe Woods and the St. Clair Shores location on 9 Mile will become part of Kroger's Great Lakes division, based in Columbus, Ohio. The division currently operates 244 stores under the Kroger banner in Ohio, West Virginia, and Michigan.

"We are excited to welcome Farmer Jack customers into our family of Kroger stores," said Bruce Macaulay, president of Kroger's Great Lakes division. "We look forward to continuing Farmer Jack's tradition of great customer service and quality stores as we expand in this market."

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Art mart

Volunteers and jewelry designers Deena Kachadoorian and Jennifer Vermeersch stand near their jewelry display at the Detroit Artists Market garden party and art sale on Friday, June 22, held at the home of Molly and Mark Valade in Grosse Pointe Farms. Many art pieces were for sale including paintings, prints, photographs, jewelry, glass, ceramics and fibers.



PHOTO BY LAURA PHELPS

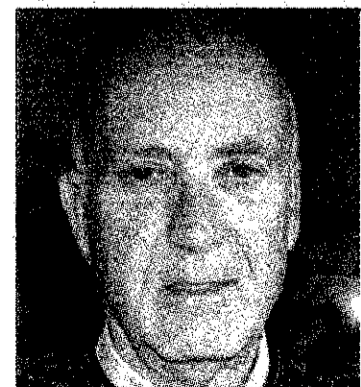
POINTER OF INTEREST

'It has been a very rewarding experience to work with so many dedicated people.'

John Mogk

Home: Grosse Pointe Park
Family: Wife, Lylas; children, Tenley, Marja and Matthew
Claim to fame: Wayne State University law professor and involvement in Detroit's urban development

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Yesterday's headlines

1957

50 years ago this week

◆ **FARMS RESIDENTS PROTEST ROAD PLAN:** A proposal to widen Kerby between Chalfonte and Beaupre in Grosse Pointe Farms drew heavy protest from area residents.

Chief among their concerns was the safety of children who attend Kerby Elementary school. Residents claim that traffic would increase on Kerby and the sidewalks would be placed closer to the street.

Kerby was widened by 30 feet between Mack and Chalfonte in 1956. The current expansion plan was included in the Farm's 1957 budget.

◆ **PARK OFFICIAL SUCCEEDS HIMSELF:** Charles Ives was appointed to the vacant post on the Grosse Pointe Park city council, a vacancy he created by resigning.

Ives resigned from the council in May to seek election to the Wayne County Civil Service Commission. No one had yet been appointed to fill his post.

When Ives lost his bid, he was reappointed under the condition that he serve the remainder of the term to which he was elected.

◆ **WOODS TO PARENTS: TAKE A SHOWER:** Parents of children who swim at Lakefront Park in Grosse Pointe Woods have been giving Woods officials and employees a hard time because they are not permitted to enter the bathing area without first showering and putting on a swim suit.

Woods parents protested the policy at a recent council meeting, thinking the rule was locally enacted. They were told that the policy was adopted by the

Michigan Department of Health, which requires all persons to shower with soap and put on a bathing suit before entering any public swimming area.

1982

25 years ago this week

◆ **CITY COUNCIL BANS VIDEO PARLORS:** The City of Grosse Pointe city council approved strengthening an ordinance banning video parlors in the city.

The old city charter language did not prohibit mechanical or electronic amusement devices, and the council was considering a revision that would restrict video parlors to five games.

The council decided to ban the parlors because of the collateral nuisance issues that are common to gaming parlors.

◆ **WOODS SUES LIQUOR COMMISSION:** The Grosse Pointe Woods city council filed a lawsuit against the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to take control of granting Specialty Designated Merchant licenses to grocery stores in the city that sell beer, wine and liquor.

Woods officials argue that the commission does not take into account the proximity of such stores in relation to each other. The Woods council is seeking local control of issuing licenses to limit the proliferation of stores.

◆ **ST. JOHN SEEKS BONDS IN MODERNIZATION PLAN:** St. John Hospital is seeking a \$117 million bond issue for modernization and renovation projects at the hospital and its parking deck.

Hospital officials are confi-

dent to begin construction of a 521 car parking deck in August. The second phase of the project, the construction of the Concentrated Care Building, is slated to begin after the bonds are sold.

1997

10 years ago this week

◆ **HILL NBD CLOSES AFTER 40 YEARS:** National Bank of Detroit announced the closing of its branch in the Hill shopping district in Grosse Pointe Farms. The branch had been a part of the community for more than 40 years.

Bank officials said the closure was part of the bank's attempt to eliminate its lesser used facilities in Michigan. Some 25 other branches are slated to close across the state. Officials said that limited parking also played into the decision.

◆ **SCHOOL BOARD OKS MAIRE PROPERTY DEAL:** The Grosse Pointe School System and the City of Grosse Pointe reached an agreement to upgrade the alley that separates Maire Elementary School and the businesses in the Village shopping district.

The plan aims to solve traffic congestion and clutter problems as well as odor and debris associated with delivery trucks and commercial refuse. The proposal will create a refuse area near the Maire playground for the purpose of making space for a trash compactor and three rubbish containers.

2002

5 years ago this week



1982: Guild giving

Bon Secours Hospital Guild President Mrs. Charles Donlan presents a check for \$3,500 to Sister Lucretia Gottschall to go to the new Bon Secours Hospice Home Care Program. The money was raised by the guild's fundraising efforts during the past year. William Hurley (left) and David Benfer look on. (From the July 1, 1982 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.)

◆ **WCCCD TRUSTEE LEADS MILLAGE RECALL INITIATIVE:** Mary Ellen Stempfle, Wayne County Community College District trustee, has taken the lead in a movement to rescind a 1.5 mill increase that voters approved earlier in November.

The proposal will ask to rescind the college's 10-year, 1.5 mill increase and replace it with a .15 mill increase and an additional amount to cover a 10-year, \$70 million bond, which had been assessed earlier this year by Wayne State

Community College. The millage increase passed largely because of the support of Detroit voters.

◆ **SHORES ASKS FOR HOLD ON LOT SPLITS:** The Grosse Pointe Shores planning commission asked for a two-month moratorium on lot splits in the village.

Shores officials say the moratorium is necessary to clean up some revisions in the village's zoning ordinances.

The planning commission asked for two months to study the issue.

◆ **SHORES CLERK FILLS COUNCIL VACANCY:** Linda Walton was appointed to fill the council vacancy created when James Cooper was elected president of the Grosse Pointe Shores board of trustees.

Walton, who was recently reelected as village clerk, will serve out the remainder of Cooper's term.

Cooper named Village Superintendent Michael Kenyon as interim clerk until the position is officially filled.

—By John Lundberg

KROGER: Buys out two Farmer Jacks

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The other Farmer Jack stores also included in the sales agreement are located in Birmingham, Dearborn Heights, Dearborn (two locations), Northville, Hartland Township, Hazel Park, Troy (three locations), Sterling Heights, Algonac, Roseville,

Westland (two locations), Brownstown Township, Romeo, and Imlay City.

Kroger expects to interview most Farmer Jack employees for available positions at its newly acquired locations.

The sale is expected to be completed in July, subject to customary closing conditions. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"We don't have much specific information, but what we do know is that Wednesday (June 27) is the final day Farmer Jack will be open," said Woods Farmer Jack store manager Ed

Vanneste said. "That is about all we know. I would imagine the store will be remodeled as soon as possible."

"I still plan to shop at the Woods location when the store changes to Kroger," said Leona Burslem of Grosse Pointe Woods. "It's close to my house and I don't want to have to travel too far to grocery shop."

Below is some general information about Kroger:

◆ Headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, it is one of the nation's largest retail grocery chains.

◆ At the end of fiscal year



PHOTO BY BOB ST. JOHN

The Farmer Jack grocery store on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, above, will soon change to Kroger.

2006, the company operated

(either directly or through its subsidiaries) 2,468 supermarkets and multi-department stores in 31 states under two dozen local banners including Kroger and Kroger Marketplace, Ralphs, Fred Meyer, Food 4 Less, King Soopers, Smith's and Smith's Marketplace, Fry's and Fry's

Marketplace, Dillons, QFC and City Market.

◆ Kroger also operated (either directly or through subsidiaries, franchise agreements, or operating agreements) 779 convenience stores, 412 fine jewelry stores, 631 supermarket fuel centers and 42 food processing plants.

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GROSSE POINTE PARK

Council nixes variance

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Basement apartments are a no-go in the municipality of Grosse Pointe Park.

The city's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) made that clear during a recent meeting, unanimously voting no on Kiki Herfert's variance request.

"We are trying to eliminate rentals, not encourage them," Mayor Palmer Heenan said.

Herfert wanted to turn her 425-square foot basement into a rental studio apartment below her duplex in the 15800 block of Jefferson.

Building Inspector Ron Carmona said in his letter to

the ZBA, "A search of city records revealed that the current certificate of occupancy for this property does not include a basement apartment."

The ordinance prohibits the "furnishing of lodging to any person who is not a member of the family" and limits the building to two dwelling units, he added.

The ordinance also requires 5,000 square feet of lot area for each dwelling unit.

This site has a lot area of 11,954 square feet, creating a deficiency of 3,046 square feet, Carmona added.

"She has been advised of this meeting and was going to show up, but she is not in attendance," Carmona said.

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GROSSE POINTE PARK

Artists' home painted with colorful tales

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

If walls good talk, the building with the green roof at the corner of Maryland and Jefferson would have quite a tale to tell.

According to Sylvia Landuyt of Grosse Pointe Park, 1005 Maryland has served the community well for more than 75 years.

In the 1970s, Landuyt's daughter took piano lessons in the apartment on the second floor. Former state representative Andrew Richner used it as his campaign headquarters during the 1990s.

"My husband grew up down the street and he told me there used to be a candy store at the back end of the building," Landuyt said. "Later, it was turned into a dance studio. The front housed a barber/beauty shop which was replaced by a butcher shop.

"One day a man in his 90s walked in and said he used to buy candy here for one cent," said Susan McDonald, president of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association which has occupied the building since 2001.

But come July 30, the building will be no longer.

According to McDonald, Grosse Pointe Park has given the association notice to vacate the site. The city plans to demolish it to create a parking lot as part of its development of the land surrounding the city administration campus.

The association, however, is grateful to the city for letting it rent the building for only \$1 a year, she said.

Prior to renting 1005 Maryland, the artist association did not have a permanent space for meetings or exhibits.

According to Chuck Bigelow, longtime GPAAS member, the association was one of the sole users of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial when it was first opened as a public space.

"As the War Memorial started attracting more groups, our availability for space started to diminish," Bigelow said.

The group moved to the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club where they used the loft overlooking the tennis courts, but eventually the club wanted the space.

At that time, the artist association formed a building committee comprised of Bigelow, Landuyt and Lynn Baker to look for a more permanent facility to use for its headquarters.

"We tried to expand the length and breadth of our appeal," Bigelow said. "We wanted to expand our membership to artists outside of Grosse Pointe so we knew we needed to be in a building large enough to accommodate our needs."

In 2000, the three building committee members asked the mayors of the five Grosse Pointes for a \$5,000 donation to purchase a building, according to Landuyt who arranged a meeting with Park Mayor Palmer Heenan and City Manager Dale Krajniak.

"When we asked Mayor Heenan about the donation, he put his head down and shook it, and said, 'Well, I don't have \$5,000 to give you,' and our hearts sank," said Landuyt. "Then he said, 'But how about a building?'"

The mayor asked Krajniak to get the keys and the group walked across the street to check it out. After being there for only 15 to 20 minutes, the group decided to take it. The mayor offered it to the association for a \$1 a year rental fee, Bigelow said.

"It was just serendipitous," Bigelow said. "We didn't have any idea where we were going to go."

The building's large rooms and windows outweighed its poor condition but the association knew it could turn it into a first rate space, Bigelow said.

"I think we put about \$20,000 into repairs," Landuyt said. "One side didn't even have a floor. You could look from the first floor directly into the basement. We all spent a lot of time painting, scrubbing and cleaning."

According to Bigelow, Heenan helped the group find some contractors to complete the renovations at reasonable rates.

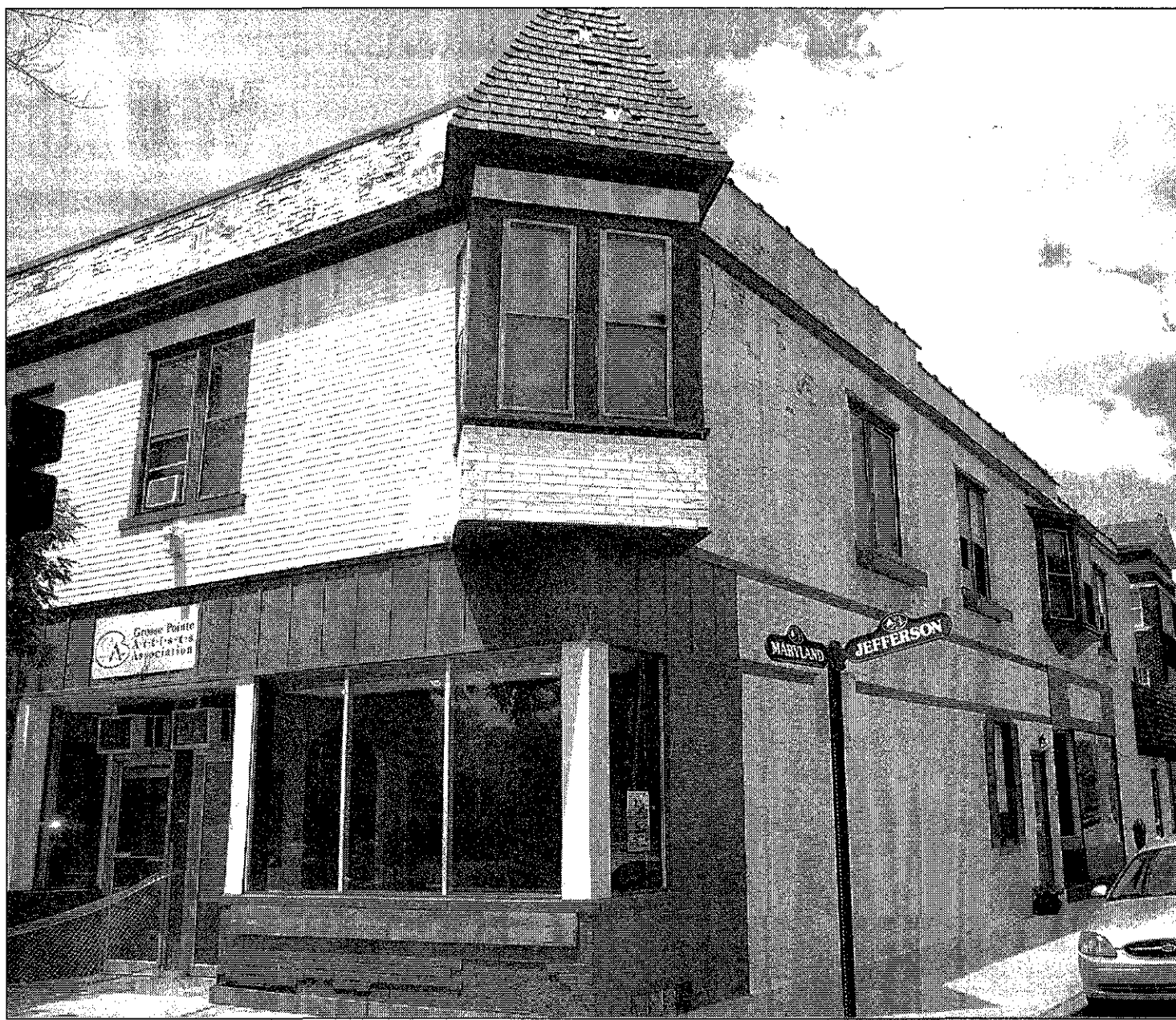
The building turned out to be an ideal location for the art association's headquarters.

"It has been a good spot for us — at the corner of Maryland and Jefferson," Bigelow said.

"People going downtown can see our exhibits and activities. It has generated a lot of interest."

The second floor has two apartments which the association has rented to help pay utility bills. The first tenant was sculptor Janice Trimpe who has been commissioned to create a sculpture to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Mackinac Bridge.

For the last six years, the



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Susan McDonald, president of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association, is starting to pack up works of arts from the gallery space of its current building at 1005 Maryland. The association received an eviction notice from the city of Grosse Pointe Park, the building's owner.

artist association has used the ground level as an art center featuring dance and poetry recitals in addition to its ongoing art exhibits and classes, McDonald said.

"This space is an art gallery utilized by artists throughout the tri-county area — as far away as Traverse City," McDonald said. "This is the first art center unique to eastern Wayne County."

In anticipation of its impending eviction, the association has been scouting out various locations in the Park.

"The Park has been very receptive and generous to us," McDonald said. "We are hoping to stay here."

While the association hopes to move into a facility which can accommodate large gatherings and have more classroom and storage space, they need financial support to purchase it, McDonald said.

"We will not be able to buy a building without a major donation," she said.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Recreation bond delayed

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Wood will not seek a renewal this November of its recreation bond that expires in 2008.

Over the next few months, the council will explore a variety of options to pay back \$1.325 million in bond anticipation notes it spent to install the new pool liner last winter, according to Mark Wollenweber, Woods city administrator.

"We had no choice but to replace the liner when we did," council member Vicki Granger said. "It was in absolute disrepair. It couldn't wait."

Other renovations, improve-

ments and additions to the Lake Front Park bathhouse and community center will be delayed indefinitely, according to council member Pete Waldmeir.

The council cited a number of reasons for its decision.

"The time just isn't right," said Woods Mayor Robert Novitke. "With Michigan's economic climate in the shape it's in, we cannot in good conscience ask our taxpayers to take on any new debt at this time."

The city also needs time to review preliminary architectural renderings for expanding the park's recreation center, said Granger, who chaired the Woods' ad hoc recreation bond committee.

"The architectural plans were far better than they needed to be," she said. "We need to consider what is a realistic square footage for enhancements such as the fitness center or inside playscape should be."

"We need time to think things out. We want to make sure the space will be very functional."

Novitke announced that the committee will be disbanded and council will study the community's future recreation needs and the means to finance them.

Voters last approved a recreation bond in 1996 for improvements to Lake Front Park including construction of a water slide and playscape.

SELECTION:
Finance is her
passion

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change."

As Ferndale's finance head, her principal areas of responsibility include short and long term financial planning, and overseeing budget and financial analysis, accounting, cash management and utility billing.

"I have done everything from soup to nuts on the finance side," Hubanks said.

On the city management side of her current job, she oversees Ferndale's human resources department. She is the city's lead labor negotiator, and pension and benefits administrator.

"Finance started taking a back seat to negotiations," Hubanks said. "My passion is finance. It's what my background is, my passion is. That is part of the reason I'm here."

Hubanks said she considers her attention to detail and hands-on management style to be a strength she can bring to the Woods treasurer position.

She worked over the last five years to develop finance procedures that would keep her department running smoothly if a staff member was to leave, she said.

"When a 25-year employee leaves, you lose a wealth and history of knowledge,"

Hubanks said.

Her experience developing guidelines and systems was impressive to Granger.

"I was pleased she's strong on cross training which is an area we're deficient," Granger said.

Hubanks claims she shines during audits which is another of her passions.

"I frequently feel I teach the auditors about the process," she said. "If there are adjustments they propose, I might disagree with them. We will discuss it and many times they agree with me."

She added that only one or two audit adjustments have been made during her tenure in Ferndale.

Since the Woods will soon be undergoing a massive software conversion, Hubanks' software experience was another positive, Granger said.

When asked when she could start working for the Woods, Hubanks said she would be available in three to four weeks. She said she would like to complete Ferndale's fiscal year and needed to wrap up some negotiations.

"I have a couple of things to finish up," Hubanks said.

She earned a master's in business administration with a concentration in finance and accounting from the University of Detroit in 1986 and a bachelor's degree in business management from Ferris State University in 1981.

Hubanks is a resident of New Baltimore.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

John Mogk is a man of action. While others dream about the Detroit area overcoming its shortcomings, he is volunteering his time, effort and urban development expertise to help that become a reality.

One man's fight for Detroit's regrowth

By Carrie Cunningham
Special Writer

For Wayne State University law professor John Mogk, public service has been a principal focus of his life's work.

A native Detroit, Mogk, who specializes in property and urban development, has spent decades serving the community in the area of urban development. He was instrumental in funding the Jefferson-Chalmers Redevelopment Project bordering Grosse Pointe in the 1970s. His journey has been one characterized by passion and active public engagement.

Since the late 60s, he has been a voice and advocate for the improvement of neighborhoods and the metropolitan Detroit area, and has held a vast number of leadership positions in the city, region and state.

"Individuals in communities who aren't equipped to deal with the conditions in which they find themselves deserve our help," Mogk said of his public service.

Mogk's current focus has been preserving some aspect of eminent domain to rebuild distressed urban areas, in light of the recent Michigan constitutional amendment prohibiting its use. Eminent domain is the power of government to take private property for public use, as long as fair market value is paid to the landowner.

While eminent domain has been historically used for public purposes such as freeways, schools and parks, it has also been used to clear land for housing, shopping centers, hospitals, stadiums and factories.

A highly controversial local case, Poletown Neighborhood Council v. Detroit, arose in the 1980s when Detroit and General Motors cooperated to clear a neighborhood to build a major automobile plant.

The idea was protested and caught the attention of leaders like Ralph Nader who denounced the decision. The project was upheld by a Michigan Supreme Court ruling.

However, a 2004 Michigan Supreme Court case, Wayne County v. Hathcock, and Proposal 4 amending the state's constitution have reversed the Poletown holding, but have left open the use of eminent domain to eliminate urban blight.

Mogk is convinced that Detroit cannot be rebuilt without some use of eminent domain to assemble large development parcels. He estimates that vacant land in Detroit aggregates 50 square miles.

"Developers will not consider investing in the city, unless they can be assured of land control," he said.

"Hathcock and Proposal 4 have the potential of eliminating the rebuilding of large sections of the city, preventing the reduction of unemployment and poverty and turning Detroit into the nation's first urban hospice, while undoing the progress that is being made."

Mogk's path to activism began after he received a B.A. and J.D. from University of Michigan.

As a young attorney for the New York City law firm of Shearman and Sterling, he performed legal work for the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corp., a community corporation which sought to economically revive a large section of New York City.

After the 1967 Detroit riots,

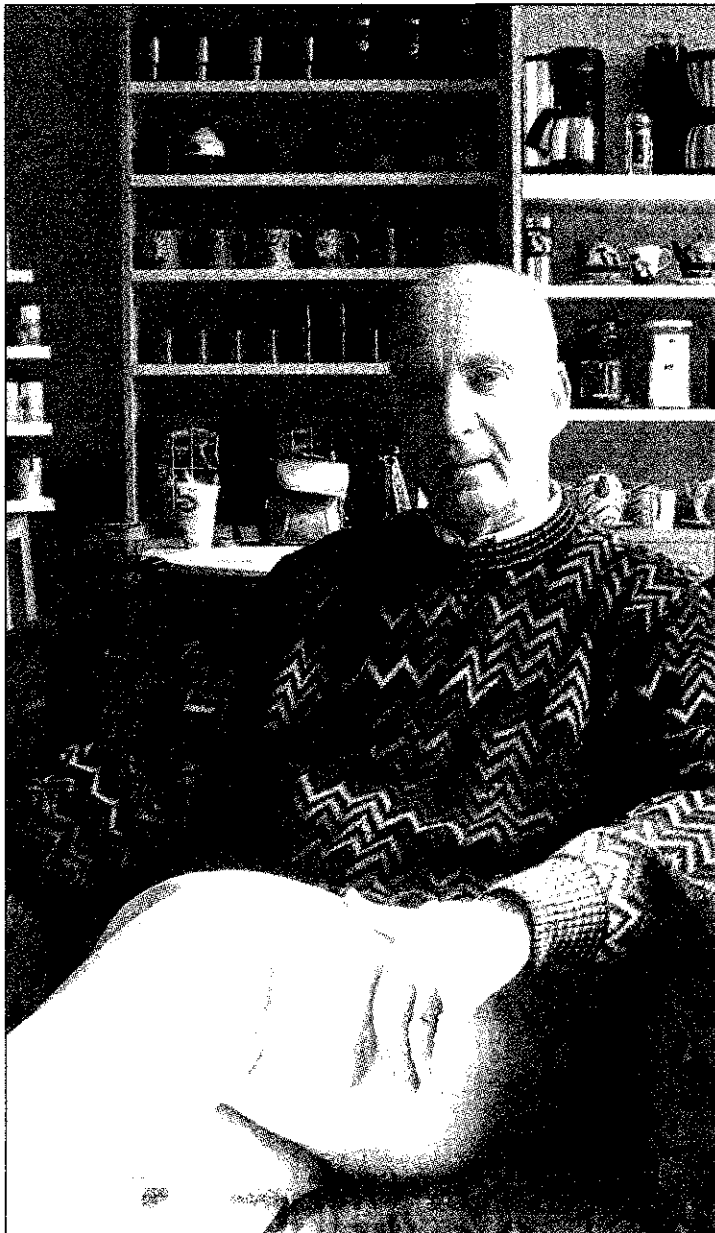


PHOTO BY CARRIE CUNNINGHAM

Wayne State University law professor, John Mogk, has helped the Detroit area by promoting economic development.

Mogk was offered a position to return home to join the faculty at Wayne State's law school.

Shortly after his arrival, he was asked to serve as a special advisor to Gov. William G. Milliken on a range of urban and regional matters.

In this capacity, he developed the state's industrialized housing program, chaired the commission decentralizing the Detroit Public Schools, chaired the governor's Metropolitan Detroit planning task force and served as an interim member of the Detroit Board of Education.

In the early 1970s, Mogk was encouraged by some fellow Detroiters to run for mayor.

They were inspired by Mogk's economic and community development work for which he was named one of 10 outstanding young men in the nation by the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce, an organization that nurtures leadership skills among young people.

Though he lost the election, he remained committed to public service. He later assumed the position of head of the state's science and technology association promoting economic development.

One of Mogk's favorite service activities has been his recent involvement in Habitat for Humanity, which he chaired from 1999 to 2006, and is now an emeritus board member.

"It's been a very rewarding experience to work with so many dedicated people," he said.

"Habitat has a strong sense of community, attracting people willing to make a special effort to improve the lives of others in need."

Mogk has received many commendations for his work, including from the Michigan legislature and the Detroit City Council. He has numerous teaching awards from Wayne State's law school and continues to enjoy educating young law students in the classroom.

Mogk sees his values as being strongly shaped by the social dynamics and upheaval of the 1960s.

"It was exhilarating. The '60s were very volatile, but they were hopeful. We all believed that a better society could be shaped," he said.

Mogk is married to Dr. Lylas Mogk, an ophthalmologist specializing in visual rehabilitation, and has three adult children, Marja, Tenley and Matthew, all now in California.

He is very proud of all three for following their passions and pursuing careers that contribute to others.

Marja is an English professor who co-authored with her mother a book on macular degeneration. Tenley has worked on AIDS prevention in the Congo and Vietnam. Matthew is communications director for a medical consulting firm.

Mogk grew up in the 1950s when Detroit was a model American city.

He said he hopes the city can stabilize, reduce its high unemployment and rebuild many of its ravaged neighborhoods.

He sees progress coming from improved education and the city connecting to the regional economy through improved transportation systems and the fostering of new technology industries.

While many problems in the city exist, Mogk extols Detroit for its many cultural, entertainment, sports and educational assets.

"The region has all of the important features that make up an attractive urban life," Mogk said.

"The city's symphony, art institute, opera house, theaters, restaurants, sports teams, universities and residential communities compare with the best in the country."

Mogk said he relishes his life in metropolitan Detroit.

"You have to decide what's important in life. I've always felt that contributing to others is something that has great value," he said.

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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Beach reads have rewards

By Kathy Ryan
Special Writer

Who knew you could be rewarded for reading those "beachreads" you've been packing away in the pool bag all winter in anticipation of lazy summer afternoons?

By participating in the Adult Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Public Library, you can do just that.

Just stop by any of the three library branches and pick up an entry form, write a short review of the book, drop it in the entry box, and you'll be eligible for weekly prizes, not to mention the grand prize drawing at the end of August. No

advanced registration is required.

"We've been running the Adult Summer Reading Club for several years" said Adult Services Librarian Danis Houser. "It's always very popular, and prompts friendly competition among the readers. The more books people read, the more chances they have to win."

No matter your taste in reading, all books are eligible for entry. Fiction, non-fiction, historical novels, romance novels, how-to books — any and all count in the Adult Summer Reading Club.

The club runs through Aug. 31.

Each branch will hold a

'The more books people read, the more chances they have to win.'

DANIS HOUSER,
Adult services librarian

weekly prize drawing for a \$10 gift certificate to Borders. Three grand prizes, \$50 gift certificates to The Hill restaurant, will be awarded at the end of the summer, one from each branch.

"A lot of the parents of children participating in their own summer reading program enter," Houser said. "When they bring their children to the li-

brary, they see the fun their kids are having and they want to join in."

Even the "newest" adults participate, Houser added.

"We have found this to be very popular with our recent high school graduates," Houser explained. "So many of our students have participated in summer reading programs throughout their school years, and it is always something they have looked forward to. Our Adult Summer Reading Club is a great way for them to continue even after they graduate."

For further information, stop by any branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library or call (313) 343-2074.

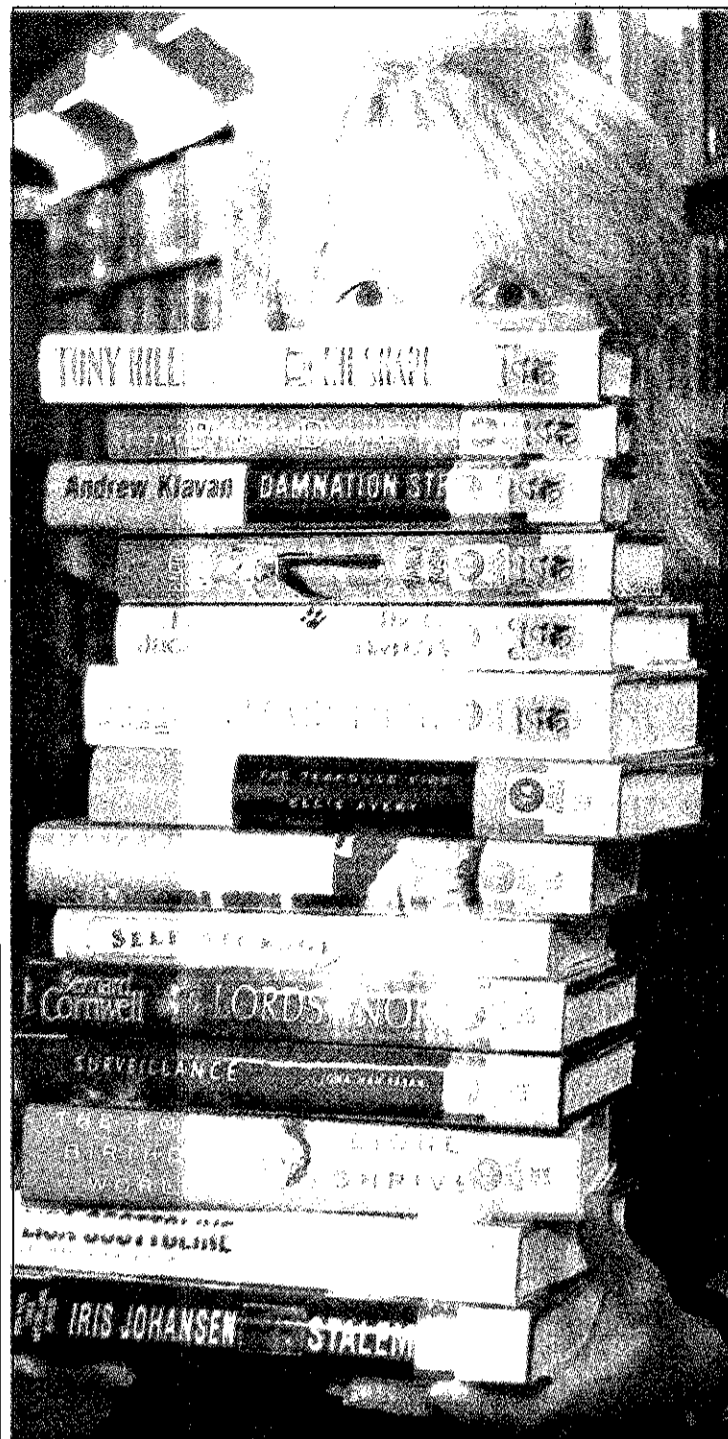


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The Grosse Pointe Public Library's Adult Summer Reading Club rewards readers by giving them a chance to win weekly prizes. Circulation staff member Debbie Maliszewski, above, holds a stack of bestsellers.

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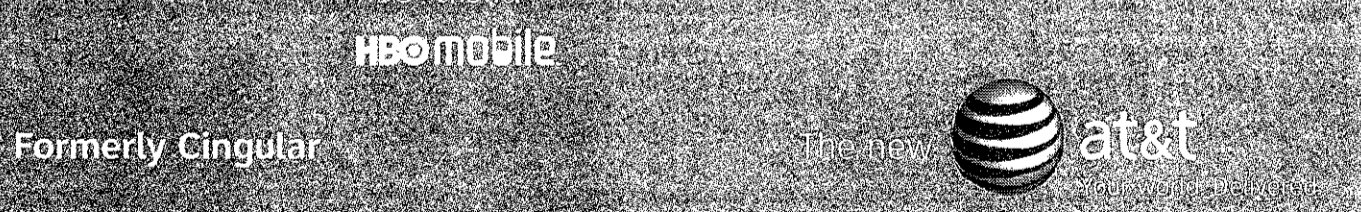
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GROSSE POINTE WOODS Travel plans OK'd

Grosse Pointe Woods City Administrator Mark Wollenweber can start packing his bags. The Woods city council approved Wollenweber's request to attend two professional conferences in the upcoming months. He will be at the 2007 Michigan Local Government Management Association Summer Institute held at the Treetops Resort in Gaylord from July 24 through July 27. The trip cost is included in the 2007-08 budget and can not exceed \$1,300. Wollenweber sits on the planning committee responsible for setting up the summer programs. He will travel to Pittsburgh for the Intercounty City Management Association's three-day conference starting Thursday, Oct. 7. The cost, included in this year's budget, is \$958. Attendance at both conferences helps him maintain his current certifications, Wollenweber said.

— By Beth Quinn

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Razzle, dazzle in the sky

Thousands of local residents were treated to a spectacular fireworks display beginning at dusk Sunday, June 25 in Grosse Pointe Woods to celebrate the Fourth of July. The city recently spent \$87,167 to purchase a new Century MSM2800 "Showmaster 2000 Series" mobile stage.

LIBRARY: Terrorism insurance

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will probably continue to go down."

Bloom also explained that state aid money has been held up due to the state's budget problems. The state has informed Bloom that it may not be until August that the total state aid amount will be known, so it was not included in the proposed budget.

The board also approved The Hartford Group as its commercial insurance carrier for the upcoming fiscal year. Though the board's present carrier, Cincinnati Insurance, was the lowest bidder at \$37,349, the board's insurance broker, Alan Woznicki of Wells Fargo Insurance Agency, recommended purchasing the Hartford policy for \$39,124.

Two aspects of the policy were questioned by board members, including coverage for art objects owned by the library, and Terrorism Insurance.

Under the Terrorism Act of 2001, acts of terrorism by international terrorists on commercial properties are not covered by ordinary insurance.

The Hartford Group appraised all art at \$937,000.

"Even the Calder?" asked trustee Mary Beth Smith, referring to the mobile by noted sculptor Alexander Calder that hangs in the Central Branch.

"We have a certified appraisal from DuMouchelle," Woznicki said. "We can only insure objects at their appraised value."

Board members also questioned the inclusion of Terrorism Insurance, which under the Cincinnati Insurance quote was included for \$188 per year, while Hartford set the price at \$562 per year.

"This is an optional package," Woznicki said.

After clarifying with

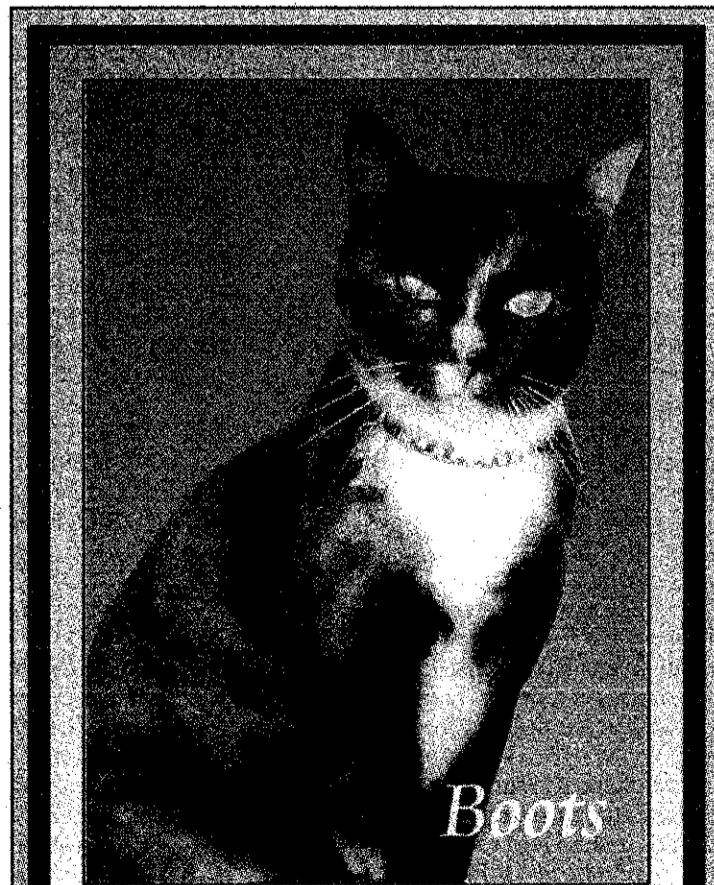
Woznicki the difference between acts of domestic terrorism such as the 1994 Columbine shooting in Colorado, which are covered by traditional insurance policies, and acts of foreign terrorism, the board voted 4 to 3 to include Terrorism Insurance in the full package from Hartford. The complete Hartford Group package was approved unanimously by the board.

A major upgrade to the library's Online Public Access Catalog was also approved. Several new access programs are included which will offer something for all levels of Internet searching, including

programs for children through in depth university-type research projects.

The package, to be purchased from Innovative Interfaces at a cost of \$151,787, will be paid for with library bond money. It includes several new search resources, such as Advanced Searching, Web Access Management, and Kids Online. The most innovative is the Encore program, which promises to make online searches easier.

Trustee Ed Frederickson stressed the importance of not only staff training on the new systems, but training for library patrons as well.



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Clerk's payment gets approval

Grosse Pointe Woods' recording clerk, Shirley Wohlfield, will receive payments not to exceed \$8,755 for the remainder of the year.

The contract was approved by City Council and signed by City Administrator Mark Wollenweber.

It calls for Wohlfield to perform the function of a licensed Certified Electronic Recorder for the Municipal Court of the city to record:

◆ All regularly scheduled Municipal Court sessions held on appropriate Wednesdays of each month.

◆ Jury and/or bench trials.

◆ Preliminary hearings.

◆ Any other duties and assignments directed by the court clerk or the municipal judge.

◆ Transcriptions of court proceedings as requested utilizing the city's court software system.

Wohlfield is paid \$26.14 per hour for the first four hours or less at court sessions and \$6.53 for each 15 minute increment thereafter. Either a minimum of four hours or actual hours worked shall be paid per sessions, whichever is greater; the contract reads.

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EDITORIAL

Pointe schools beat averages

Being quoted is often one of the most sincere forms of flattery, and that is true with the Grosse Pointe Public School System's recent citing of the Grosse Pointe News in its Spring 2007 edition of Partners in Learning, a quarterly school district newsletter.

The aforementioned reference stated: "A recent Grosse Pointe News editorial related the findings of a nationwide education watchdog group, Alliance for Excellence in Education, which compared Michigan to the nation. The editorial concluded that it was 'assumed' Grosse Pointe students perform well above state averages. In order to not leave our residents in doubt, let us share some of our successes."

The newsletter then went on to report that once again the district's annual MEAP testing put Grosse Pointe elementary and middle school students ahead of all Michigan averages. In language arts, 90 percent of Grosse Pointe middle school and elementary students had passing rates, compared to 70 percent statewide. In math, Grosse Pointe students performed at least 7 percent above the state average. Ninety percent of Grosse Pointe students in science and social studies were in the passing range, well above the state average.

In the outmoded Comprehensive Testing Program (CTP 4), Grosse Pointe fifth-graders ranked in the top third of the country in reading and mathematics.

According to the newsletter, a better indication of national ranking are SAT and ACT test results. Grosse Pointe students topped the state and national averages in both tests.

Another measure of success in high school is the level of student participation in Advanced Placement courses and testing. More than 50 percent of Grosse Pointe high school students take at least one AP class and 79 percent of those students pass the AP exam. Nationally, only 24 percent take an AP exam.

Newsweek magazine's annual ranking of the nation's high schools is based solely on the number of students taking an AP course. Many of Newsweek's top ranked high schools have entrance criteria, unlike traditional public schools, and do not report AP pass rates. As a public school, Grosse Pointe must accept, teach and challenge every student.

Grosse Pointe enjoys a 100 percent highly qualified teaching staff, compared to 65 percent nationally and 54 percent statewide. A highly qualified teacher is a teacher who has majored in the subject area in which they teach. Further, some 80 percent of Grosse Pointe teachers have earned advanced degrees, which they have pursued on their own time.

Also, while nearly half of new Michigan teachers leave the teaching profession within five years, no Grosse Pointe teacher with less than five years experience left the district. Our district's new-teacher retention rate the year before was 92 percent.

The Spring 2007 newsletter also boasted of the school district's wise foresight in meeting state education funding shortfalls.

Since more than 86 percent of the school district's budget is directly related to personnel, the administration was able to retain more than \$1 million of anticipated spending, according to the newsletter.

Lastly the school system in 2007 paid a fond farewell to Lawrence J. "Larry" Lobert, assistant superintendent of human resources and labor relations, who will leave the district at the end of June to accept a position in the Chicago area with the New Trier High School District.

"We wish him well in the new career opportunity ahead of him," the newsletter stated. "At the same time, we will say goodbye with sadness as he has made many friends in our community and has done an outstanding job not only in personnel, but also in the many other projects to which he has contributed. It has been a pleasure working with him as he has helped maintain and enhance the school district, making it an even better place for our students to learn and our staff to work."

With his departure, Mr. Lobert leaves a successful tenure in the Grosse Pointe school district and has an opportunity to earn another at another nationally prestigious school. He further has the opportunity of securing a second pension while collecting on the one he earned here.

Thomas Harwood, director of special education, will assume Mr. Lobert's role. Mr. Harwood has experience in labor relations in previous districts and has been actively involved in current negotiations. Also easing in the transition is the district's labor counsel, Barb Ruga of Clark Hill. She has a track record of settling contracts, "which we all know is in the best interest of our school community," according to the district's newsletter.

Given the myriad tests placed on Michigan school systems over the past decade and the last few years in particular, we would give our administrators and trustees an above-average grade, well above the state and national average.

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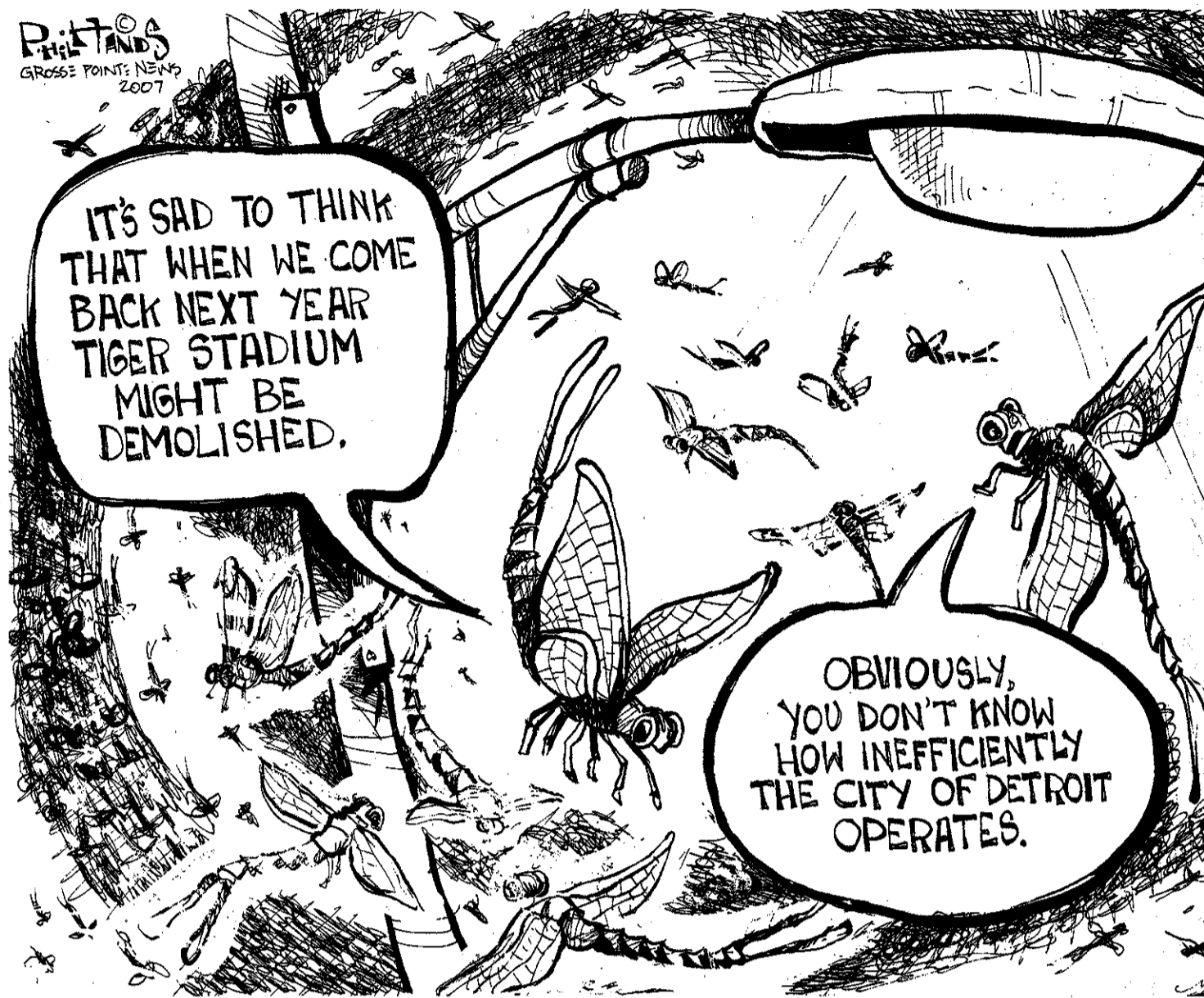
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In support of choir director To the Editor:

We — parents, grandparents and friends of students in the Grosse Pointe South Choir Program — are writing in support of Grosse Pointe South High School Choir Director Ellen Bowen.

It is important to maintain a balanced perspective when considering the current issues. Many successful leaders and coaches have strong personalities. Ultimately, their contributions need to be measured in context.

We ask you to consider the positive influences Ellen Bowen has had on thousands of students and members of our community over the years and the significant contributions her program has made to the Grosse Pointes.

She has a rare gift — one that is seen only in the most dedicated educators. That gift is the ability to inspire her students; to teach them to work hard and try to do their best. She runs a tight ship and is a tough task master but those students, for the most part, stay on the right course and out of trouble.

Because her classroom is, quite literally, a stage, she is open to much more public scrutiny than most teachers or athletic coaches. Every time auditions are held, there is joy and there is disappointment.

Unlike other competitive high school activities, no one is denied a place in the choir. Not everyone in the choir is a "star," but they all work hard and truly enjoy being a part of the program. That dedication and effort is clearly visible every time those students perform.

She expects no less of her students than she expects of herself. Her award winning choirs routinely perform at charity functions and funerals all over the metro area, bringing great joy to people from all walks of life.

Ellen Bowen has taken students to competitions throughout the country and on trips abroad, much of it on her own time.

Ellen Bowen works tirelessly to help students in need of financial aid or assistance with college applications and scholarships. She is always available to speak with parents and offer counseling. If she notices something unusual in a student's behavior or perfor-

mance, she will contact the parents.

She has taught scores of challenged and special need students as well — helping them with music, song and dance. As a result, a disproportionate number of Bowen's students have been accepted to the finest schools of music. There are few individuals, in any profession, who give as much of themselves to their job, our children and our community as Ellen Bowen.

Ellen Bowen has also contributed to the "value" of a Grosse Pointe South education. During her 20-year tenure as director, the Grosse Pointe South Choir has achieved state and national recognition that is unequaled.

Under her leadership, Grosse Pointe South has won three national show choir titles and has been named state finalist in choral, small ensemble and soloist categories over 30 different times.

Her choirs have performed more than 50 times with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at Orchestra Hall, and have performed in Spain, Italy, Austria, Czech Republic, Germany and New York City.

She has had a significant and positive impact on the perception of our school system.

Her recent trial and the unfolding media circus sadden us. As vicious rumors and innuendos circulate, her reputation and current position are on the line.

To those of us who know Ellen, the insinuation that a professional woman such as Ellen Bowen is threatening or dangerous to our children is as absurd as it is insulting. Hundreds of students voluntarily enroll in her programs every year.

It would be a great loss to her current students and our community if she were to lose her job over these unfortunate events.

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Fireworks celebration

To the Editor:
 I don't know if this is of interest to you or not, but I thought I would share my thoughts with whoever might hear them.

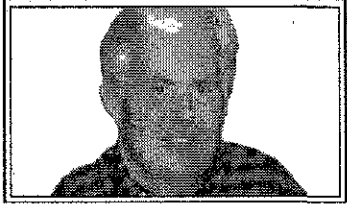
There is little about America that I claim to understand. However, as I sit in my bed room listening to our city's fireworks booming and shaking our house from a few blocks away, I'm beginning to understand our seriously deranged sense of celebration.

If I didn't know better, the blasts would sound a whole lot like our beloved Grosse Pointe was under siege. I went out

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I SAY By John Lundberg

Kindness? Take a look around



In 1999, my wife and I took a driving vacation down the eastern seaboard. The destination for our first night was Gettysburg, Pa. But a sad collision of events had us arrive on the eve of a very popular Apple Festival in the city.

Suffice it to say, there were no rooms at the inns. At 8 p.m., we were desperate to find something, anything.

We walked into what seemed like our hundredth place and were greeted by a small dog. My wife, despite her fatigue, embraced it like

her own.

The inn's manager, perhaps inspired by her display of affection, but maybe not, called every hotel within 50 miles trying to find us a room.

All he found was a lost hour and a heavier phone bill. But that act of courtesy will never leave us.

There is an old axiom in the print and electronic media: "News is an event that occurs which is contrary to the norm."

But with the relentless assault of mass media today, that norm seems to appear under siege.

Reports on television, radio, print and Internet broadcasting hammer down endless accounts of the most despicable behavior of those who share this world with us.

It's hard not to be depressed. But when I'm feeling really

low, I take comfort in some things.

You see, when I was growing up, one of my favorite television shows was the comedy "WKRP in Cincinnati." I recall one episode where one of the principal characters, Dr. Johnny Fever, thought that God had spoken to him.

The message was very affirming, telling him that he was loved, to seek knowledge, and something vague about becoming a golf pro.

After being greeted with a fair amount of skepticism by his colleagues, and haunted by his own self-doubt, he nearly ends up checking himself into a psychiatric clinic.

Enter station manager and churchgoer Arthur Carlson. Though dubious that it was actually God who had spoken to Johnny, he convinces him that

he was not crazy and to consider his encounter to be something very special.

But my favorite line of Carlson's was something like this: "If you need convincing that God exists, then look around you."

So I choose to look. And here is what I found:

Health care personnel who work for pennies, yet still display extraordinary kindness and patience for their sick or elderly patients;

Volunteers who dodge traffic at intersections collecting money for charity;

That observant waitress who surprises a restless child with a lollipop;

Those who hold the door open for a stranger;

Teachers and school administrators who buy classroom equipment from their own

pocket and extend their hours to help at-risk children;

People who consider their word to be their honor;

Vehicle travelers who inspect traffic so that pedestrians with children can safely pass;

That stranger in the grocery store line with a cart full of items, who lets you go before him with your few items;

A neighbor who watches your property while you're away;

Those who chose to be an asset rather than a burden to their family;

Parents who think it's important to raise well-mannered children, and then do so;

The store clerk who has no external motivation, but still goes that extra mile for you;

People who take full responsibility for their actions, in-

stead of blaming others;

The driver who allows you to cut in front of her when pulling onto a busy street;

Those who recognize that largely the only thing that separates rich and poor is money, and can see the folly in those who don't;

Athletes who chose not to use performance-enhancing drugs even when they knew that many others were...

Acts of personal integrity like these will not make the front page, or any page for that matter, because for these people, virtue itself is its own reward.

Mark Twain once quipped: "Always do right. You will gratify a few people and astonish the rest."

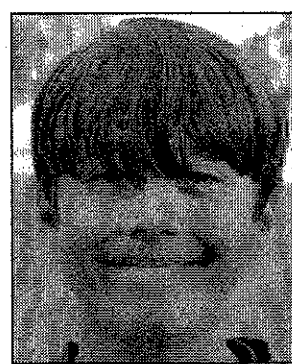
But, I have a message for them.

Thank you.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

How will you celebrate the 4th of July?

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



'I am going to my cousin's house for fireworks.'

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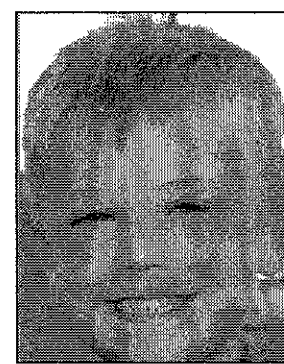
'We'll be in Cooperstown, N.Y., for my son's baseball tournament.'

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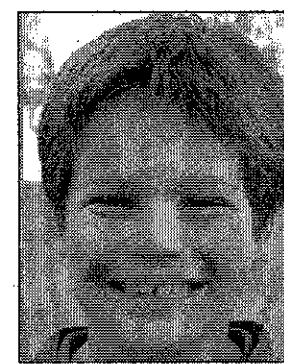
'I am going to Lochmoor Country Club to watch fireworks.'

KATY CASSIDY
Grosse Pointe Park



'Going up north to Charlevoix with cousins and friends.'

NATHAN LAWRENCE
Grosse Pointe Park



'We are going to have a party with Grandma and Grandpa.'

DANIEL KUHNLEIN
Grosse Pointe Park



'My family's going to have a picnic and watch the fireworks.'

PIPER ESCHENBURG
Grosse Pointe Park

LETTERS: Readers speak up

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and stood on my driveway, watching the sky light up with something similar to what Francis Scott Key sang so adoringly about: "...the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air." Then I looked across the street and chuckled at the perfectly manicured lawn and the porch light illuminating a subtly waving American flag.

I get it. This is America. This is freedom. This is Norman Rockwell thrown all over the place as the grand finale shakes my picture frames and all the citizens of Grosse Pointe cheer and clap and hoot and holler. We are living what so many men and woman have fought for.

But here's where confusion deviates from blissful understanding: how can we spend an otherwise average Sunday evening oohing and aahing at sounds that would strike fear in the hearts of millions around the world?

How can we celebrate blasts of fire in the sky as we are dropping bombs on people outside of our realm of existence?

How can we sip cold beer and twirl sparklers around as we stand aside and let others do the bombing?

I know, I know. I'm becoming a lofty idealistic granola-eating, tree-hugging hippy. But truthfully, I don't think it's so wrong for us to question our obsession with fireworks and all that they represent.

Maybe we should just stick to waving our nation's flag and eating apple pie; I feel like those would be less terrifying declarations of freedom around the world.

KATY VAN DE PUTT
Grosse Pointe Woods

Supports South choir director

To the Editor:
Recent news articles about Grosse Pointe South High

School Choral Director Ellen Bowen, including the June 21 Grosse Pointe News article, "South's choir teacher given a suspension," have been misleading.

Unfortunately, Bowen cannot speak up and defend herself publicly right now since she is involved in continuing legal action to clear her name.

However, when the details are finally made public, many will be shocked at the general misinformation that has occurred throughout this incident.

How has Ellen Bowen reacted? Despite being showered with inaccuracies and rumor, she stood up and took responsibility because she knew that as a teacher, there are no excuses — the buck stops with her.

So let's talk about Ellen Bowen. But let's talk about the real Ellen Bowen — the mother and grandmother, the teacher and an award-winning director, the community leader and music innovator.

Let's talk about the Ellen Bowen that parents describe as a "safe haven" for students, full of "love and respect," and as providing "the most meaningful, varied, challenging and positive experiences" for their children.

Let's talk about the Ellen Bowen who current and former students call, "the perfect combination of tough and supportive," an "excellent teacher," a "big heart," a "cheerleader," and "a second mother."

And let's talk about the Ellen Bowen who colleagues and fellow professionals call a "model teacher," an "example to others," "compassionate," and the "gold standard" to emulate.

This is about a woman who has dedicated more than 30 years of her life to students and the music profession, 20 of those years at Grosse Pointe South.

This is not about the courts, the jury or the judge. This is about one woman and the burden she and her family has had to bear throughout this ordeal which pitted one young woman's word against hers.

Unfortunately, it's not over. Her legal team is preparing to

clear her name and parents, students, former students and concerned citizens are writing to Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein and the Grosse Pointe Board of Education in support of Bowen, fearful that she will not be back in the classroom to do what she was so evidently born to do — teach.

Let's talk about that. And let's talk about the thousands of students whose lives she's changed forever, and the students currently in school, who deserve her continued leadership.

But we are just two people — two people who can unequivocally say that Ellen Bowen is the best teacher we've ever had, but two people nonetheless.

However, if you go to ellenbowen.com and read what many others have to say about her, you will see that Ellen Bowen's support extends far, far beyond just us.

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Irregularities brought to light

To the Editor:
Thank you so much for publishing the editorial that appeared in the June 21 Grosse Pointe News, "Smell test in the Woods."

The Grosse Pointe News has done its readership a real service by bringing to light the irregularities within the city's finances.

I look forward to reading more about this topic as the facts and events surrounding this issue continue to unfold.

KURT LYONS
Grosse Pointe Woods

MDA Summer Camp

To the Editor:
As an intern for the

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), I have been afforded a wonderful opportunity to help others while learning and growing as a person and intellectually. However, the most important part of this experience was realized recently when I had the opportunity to attend MDA Summer Camp at both Camp Cavell in Lexington, and Lions Bear Lake Camp in Lapeer.

Immediately upon my arrival to camp, it was obvious how important this camp is to the children. Each child was full of joy, smiling and laughing, with full confidence in themselves and their abilities.

The word "disability" was not part of the camp for the youth, and was replaced by the word "ability." They were no longer the minority, but the majority. After being at the camp for only moments, I no longer noticed the sea of wheelchairs, but only the faces of the smiling children.

By attending camp, I was able to understand why the volunteers who aid the children return year after year, many having a special bond with a camper. At camp, the children can climb trees, ride horses, swim, dance and play as able-bodied children can. They can also ask questions and support each other in a time of need.

No one at camp is alone. They have not only each other, but a support network of friends, volunteers and sponsors who care deeply about each child.

The camp is held every year for youth affected with one of 43 muscular dystrophies and, for many of them, MDA Summer Camp is the best week of the year.

Each child is able to attend the camp free of charge, and the \$650 cost to send a child to camp is covered by the generous support of community members and corporate sponsors.

The biggest fundraiser for the camp is the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon, which airs Sunday and Monday, Sept. 2 and 3.

I strongly urge anyone interested to volunteer or support the MDA Summer Camp program. It is only with the help of the community that these children can hope that a cure is found for their disease. But until then, we continue to fight for the children in our communities served by MDA and provide them with an opportunity to build confidence in themselves and allow them to experience things many of us take for granted.

From all of the campers, thank you for providing the funding for our fun-filled week at summer camp. It is because you cared, we are able to swim, dance, play sports, do arts and crafts and make lifelong friends at camp.

KATE DAY
Regional Public Affairs

GUEST OPINION By Lee H. Hamilton

Citizenship is hard work

I've heard a great deal from citizens over the years about what they expect from their elected representatives. Now I'd like to tell you what one former politician, at least, expects of citizens.

With each passing year, I become more impressed with the obligations and responsibilities that our form of democracy places upon ordinary people. To put it plainly, our nation depends for its health on the active engagement of its citizens. As Adlai Stevenson said in a speech at Princeton, "Our government demands, it depends upon, the care and the devotion of the people."

This is a remarkably concise summation of a truth that many people who hold public office come to appreciate — that while the burdens placed on elected officials in a representative democracy may often seem heavy, they are merely a

distillation of those we ask our citizens to shoulder.

For in order to select their representatives carefully and wisely, and then to hold them to account for their behavior in office, voters must be able to judge difficult issues and their solutions, weigh complex arguments, and identify problems that need addressing.

They must have some understanding of the intricacies of the problems confronting the nation and be able to respond to the rapidity with which the biggest evolve — problems such as war, a changing economy, global warming, the health care crisis. And citizens must have a dose of critical attitude toward their leaders — the skeptical frame of mind that will help them fairly evaluate those in office without forfeiting their belief in the system as a whole. This is asking a lot. It means studying the issues, seeking out all sorts of points

of view, talking to friends and acquaintances about the crises of the day. It means being open to having one's mind changed as new information comes in, having a fundamental respect for facts, and being able to weigh what's reasoned and unreasonable in the arguments one hears.

Above all, the engaged citizen must be open to compromise, to appreciate that conflicting interests are just part of our society and that resolving conflicts allows our nation to function and move forward. Our first duties may be to our families and our immediate communities, but our freedom depends on the willingness of ordinary citizens to devote time, attention and effort to the public interest as well. Lee Hamilton is director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

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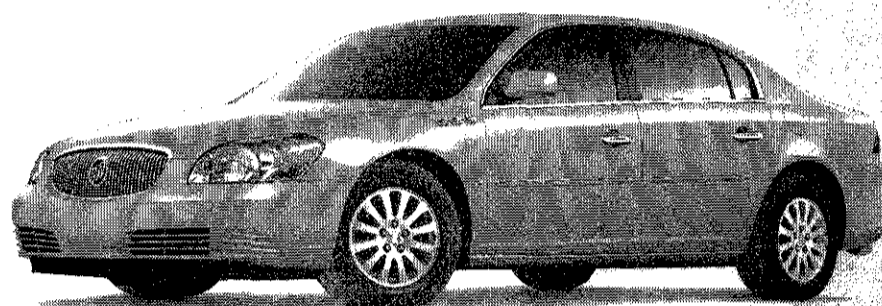


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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Schools getting good grades

All Grosse Pointe Public School System elementary and middle schools have made adequate yearly progress in this cornerstone of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

In addition, all but one earned an A grade on Ed, Yes!, the program by which the state of Michigan grades schools.

"Poupard's (Elementary School) grade, at 88 percent with 90 percent an A, should really be seen as a B+," said Dr. Susan Allan, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment, Instruction and Technology.

"Although they don't give grades with pluses or minuses, the effort shown by all our staffs, and Poupard in particular, to increase student achievement has been phenomenal."

Districts just received their own individual school scores this week, but the official Adequate Yearly Progress and Ed, Yes! reports will not be released until August.

At that time, school officials, the media and the community will have access to all the scores, not just the ones local districts have the option to release on their own.

What is AYP?

Adequate Yearly Progress is one of the cornerstones of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

In Michigan, it's a measure of year-to-year student achievement on the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) test.

According to the act, Michigan and other states must develop target starting goals for AYP and the state must raise the bar in gradual increments so 100 percent of the students in the state are proficient on state assessments by the 2013-14 school year.

Adequate Yearly Progress applies to each district and school in the state.

However, NCLB sanctions for schools that do not make the standard for two or more years in a row, only apply to those districts and schools that receive Title I funds.

What is Education YES!?

Education YES! is Michigan's system of school accreditation.

The system includes components for student achievement, measuring both status and change, and a measurement of Indicators of School Performance.



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Scout shines

Grosse Pointe Woods' Jason Marek has recently completed all of the requirements to earn the Arrow of Light award. After hearing about this amazing accomplishment, Woods Mayor Robert Novitke declared June 7 Jason Marek Day in that city.

Jason Marek received his Arrow of Light award during a recent ceremony. Pictured above top row from left are Steve Lorentz, Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety Lt. John Ross, Pam Marek and Steve Marek; bottom row from left are Val Stahl, Sammy Marek and Jason Marek.

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Academic Hall of Fame

A select number of graduates from Grosse Pointe North, above, and Grosse Pointe South, below, earned a spot in the Academic Hall of Fame, achieving a grade point of 4.0 or above each of the four years they were in high school. Superintendent Suzanne Klein is pictured with the students who were honored May 22 during the Senior Men's Club Luncheon. North's members, with principal Tim Bearden pictured above were Elise Arsenault, Angela Bozell, Kaylynn Cuneo, Martha

Everett, Cara Fuller, Elizabeth Graney, Steven Joseph, Elizabeth Kalina, Graham Kozak, Marie LaCombe, Elizabeth Lentz, Aysha Majeed, Cara Miserendino, Emily Nelson, Breanna O'Mara, Anthony Paglino, Afrah Raza, Matthew Romanelli, Dino Ruggeri, Juliana Schmidt, Paul Smith, Elizabeth Steinkampf and Andrew VanEgmond. South's members, with principal Al Diver pictured below, were Tamara Andrade, Daniel Basile, Elizabeth Bielski, Ellen Chamberlin, Sara Crandall, Shami Entenman, Courtney Graham, Taylor Hauck, Sarah Jenzen, Kevin Kasunic, Roger Klein, Spencer MacGriff, Amanda Palffy, Eleni Papalekas, Peter Sabino, Amelia Theisen and Britt Wedenoja. Emily Franchett and Morgan Laney are not pictured.



Education Committee members presented three local students with a \$1,000 scholarship. Pictured from left are Johnathan Craig of ULS; Krys Schroeder; Hollis Andrews of Grosse Pointe South; Vicky Colwell, Myrna Smith, Sasha Allaer of Grosse Pointe North, Cheryl Gauss, Sandra Nelson, and Pat Chasteen.

Local students earn scholarships

The Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors awarded three \$1,000 college scholarships to area high school seniors in Grosse Pointe.

The seniors were presented with their scholarship awards at the board's general membership meeting May 23.

Sasha Allaer from Grosse Pointe North High School will use her scholarship at Southwestern Community College in Iowa.

Hollis Andrews from Grosse Pointe South High School has been awarded the scholarship to help with her studies at Albion College.

Johnathan Craig from University Liggett School has been selected to receive the scholarship to help with his studies at Kalamazoo College.

Funding for these scholarships comes from revenue generated at the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors annual Home & Garden Expo at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial each spring, which is presented by the Education

Committee. Krys Schroeder, Pat Chasteen, and Alice Baetz from the Education Committee spearheaded the scholarship process.

Kids Club forms available

The Grosse Pointe Public School System 2007-08 Kids Club registration forms are available. Those filed by July 31 will receive a \$10 registration discount.

Kids Club will be held at every elementary school and open from 7:15 to 8:25 a.m. and from 3:38 to 6:30 p.m. throughout the school year, and on most half days.

Call (313) 432-3067 for up-to-date information.

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Woods woman earns honor

June Teisan of Grosse Pointe Woods has been named 2007-08 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

Teisan, a seventh-grade teacher at Harper Woods Secondary School, has more than 20 years of classroom experience and was selected from 18 regional semifinalists statewide.

"A teacher's impact on a child is monumental," said State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms. "One of the greatest gifts you can give a child is an education. Ms. Teisan is a remarkable instructor and her incredible achievements have made her an invaluable asset to the Harper Woods school system. We are blessed to have her."

Teisan continues to pursue personal excellence through various educational opportunities including National Board Certification in 2002; an educational specialist degree in educational leadership in



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From the left is State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan Teacher of the Year June Teisan of Grosse Pointe Woods, and State Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, were on hand during the ceremony.

2004; and currently through doctoral studies. She received the presidential award for excellence in science teaching in

2005. Mike Flanagan, state superintendent of public instruction, noted that Teisan will carry on

the valued tradition of Michigan teachers of the year who have shared their teaching knowledge, expertise, and skills with educators across the state.

"She interacts fabulously with her students and their families," said Kathy Folmar, a Harper Woods parent. "She values the importance of parental involvement and provides opportunities for parents or guardians to come into the classroom."

Teisan said her philosophy of teaching extends far beyond the classroom walls.

"Each child is precious and I want my actions to align with that reality. I will nurture them with respect. I will hold them accountable. I will challenge them. I will love them. I won't accept when they want to waste their time and talents. I'll build bridges with their families. I'll celebrate their successes. I'll shine the spotlight on them."



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Members of Mason Pack 290 attend Grosse Pointe Woods' Memorial Day ceremonies at the Circle of Honor.

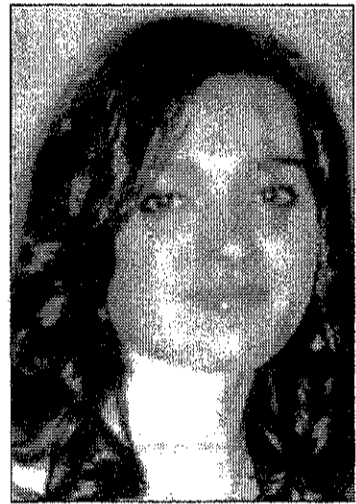
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Student attends elite program

Maria Tecos, who will be a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, participated in the Economics for Leaders program at the College of Wooster, Ohio, June 17 to June 24.

Tecos is one of 33 students from around the country to be accepted into the Foundation for Teaching Economics' San Francisco "Economics for Leaders" program. Students were selected based on their leadership potential.

During the week-long program, students attained an understanding of economic reasoning principles and learned how to employ these concepts for successful and effective leadership.



Maria Tecos

Additionally, participants learned how their decisions impact others.

DTE Energy Foundation offers workshop

The DTE Energy Foundation, in partnership with Eastern Michigan University will offer its Educators' Energy Workshop for middle and high school teachers Aug. 7 through 9.

This year's workshop will be taught by John Preston, an assistant professor from EMU's College of Technology, along with DTE Energy experts. They'll share the latest information on energy technology, the wise use of electricity and gas, and the impact of energy on the environment.

The workshop is aimed at helping high school and middle school science teachers develop their own energy education programs and integrate new materials into existing curricula. The program includes a tour of DTE Energy's Monroe Power Plant.

The workshop will be held at the Eagle Crest Conference Center in Ypsilanti and includes materials, meals, tour transportation and one graduate credit hour from Eastern Michigan University.

Full attendance is mandatory at all sessions to receive credit. Grades will be based on completion of a journal that is kept during the workshop.

Teachers may obtain two additional graduate credit hours at their own expense by completing supplementary requirements.

The workshop will accommodate 48 teachers. Applications will be accepted until the class is full. Applications may be downloaded at dteenergy.com/workshop or obtained by calling (313) 235-7187.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Teacher honored

Lisa Brundige, a German teacher at Grosse Pointe South High School, was awarded one of five scholarships offered to teachers nationwide to attend a 10-day professional development workshop July 5 through July 15 at Concordia Language Villages in Bemidji, Minn.

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OBITUARIES

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

Matthew F. Callahan

City of Grosse Pointe resident, Matthew F. Callahan, 81, died Saturday, June 16, 2007.

He was born Sept. 15, 1925, in Detroit, to Mathew and Edna Mae Callahan.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree in education from Wayne State University in June 1956.

Mr. Callahan was an educator in the Warren Fitzgerald School District.

He was interested in magic, cooking and gardening.

He was an active member of the Detroit Yacht Club, Bayview Yacht Club, the SCARAB Club and the Brotherhood of Magicians.

He is survived by his cousin, Joseph Callahan; and friend, Albino Bonanni.

A service was held Thursday, June 21, at the St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit.

Interment is at Mt. Elliott

Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Solanus Casey Center, 1740 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI, 48207.

Ruth S. Chambers

Ruth S. Chambers, 73, died on Saturday, June 23, 2007, at Bon Secours Hospital. She was a City of Grosse Pointe resident.

Mrs. Chambers was born on Oct. 27, 1933, to Walter and Beryl Samuel in Waterford.

She received her bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Wayne State University in June, 1956.

She worked with the Grosse Pointe Institute of Ophthalmology, and as the accountant and bookkeeper for Grosse Pointe Park.

Traveling, playing cards and attending movies and shows were some of her hobbies.

Mrs. Chambers also enjoyed her grandchildren and vacationing at her cottage.

She was a member of Women of Wayne, Lutheran Fraternity of America and Gamma Delta.

Mrs. Chambers is survived by her daughters, Lora (Don) McEachern and Karyn (David) Mroczka; son, Doug (Kim) Chambers; grandchildren, Matthew Chambers, Nathaniel Mroczka, Elizabeth Mroczka, Katelyn McEachern, and Jessica McEachern; sisters, Judy Samuel and Kay Samuel; and brother, Charles Samuel.

She was predeceased by her husband, Russell J. Chambers; son, David; and granddaughter, Kelsey Mroczka.

A funeral was held on Tuesday, June 26, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. A service followed on Wednesday, June 27, at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in Detroit.

Interment is at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit, MI 48207, the Arthritis Foundation, 1050 Wilshire Drive, Suite 302, Troy, MI 48084, or Seasons Hospice, 27355 John R, Madison Heights, MI 48071.

Rene Haelewyn

Rene Haelewyn, 82, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died Thursday, May 17, 2007, surrounded by his wife, children and grandchildren.

He was born in Detroit in 1925 and attended St. Matthew Grade School, Catholic Central High School and the University of Detroit.

During World War II, he served in the United States Army Air Corps. He flew 53 missions in a B24 Liberator with the 15th Army Air Force based in Cerignola, Italy.

He returned home in 1945 with plans to marry his high school sweetheart, Matilda Wetzell.

The couple celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in November 2006.



Rene Haelewyn



Donald Ratliff



Janet Nelson Steiner

They built their home in Grosse Pointe Woods in 1953 where they raised four children.

Mr. Haelewyn was employed by the Wayne County Road Commission, designing area roads, bridges and runways at Metropolitan Airport. He retired in 1992.

Throughout his life, he placed great importance on family.

He was a music enthusiast. He enjoyed classical music and was a member of the Rackham Choir and the St. Joan of Arc Men's Choir. He built three violins, one of which his granddaughter, Chelsea, plays in her school orchestra.

His love of music was equaled by his love of flying and model airplane building. He enjoyed helping his son-in-law, Rob, build and fly a Lancair plane.

Each night with dinner, he enjoyed a glass of fine French wine that he preceded with a toast of "... and thou beside me" to his beloved wife.

He is survived by his wife, Matilda; children, Gary Haelewyn, William (Charyl) Haelewyn, Jill (Robert) Tweed, and Douglas (Barbara) Haelewyn; and grandchildren, Jason Haelewyn, Kyle (Sanjay, M.D.) Rajagapolan, Chelsea and Hannah Tweed, Jessica, Danielle, and twins Abigail and Douglas Haelewyn.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, May 24 at St. Paul Catholic Church with a procession to the columbarium, military taps, and a presentation of the United States flag by military personnel from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Euphemia "Phemie" E. Mortimer

Euphemia "Phemie" E. Mortimer, 84, of Dearborn, died Friday, June 15, 2007, at Henry Ford Village Nursing Care in Dearborn.

She was born on June 3, 1923 to William and Maria Mortimer in Detroit. She graduated from Southeastern High School in 1941, and was a retired accountant for Parke Davis and Co.

She continued to be active in a monthly Parke Davis retirees group. During the 1950s, she was a Sunday

school teacher at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit.

Ms. Mortimer is survived by her sister, Jean Mortimer of Sun City, Ariz.; cousins, Mary McLeod, George Mortimer, Dorothy Mueller, Marbe Scott, and cousins in Scotland.

A service was held on Monday, June 25, at Chas Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment is in Sun City, Ariz.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48214.

Donald Ratliff

St. Clair Shores resident, Donald Ratliff, 80, died Wednesday, June 13, 2007, in St. Clair Shores.

He was born in Detroit to Hubert and Gertrude Ratliff.

Mr. Ratliff attended Cooley High School and Hillsdale College.

During World War II he served in the United States Army.

Among many things, he enjoyed golf, boating and his family.

He is survived by his former wife, Maureen McCarthy-Ratliff; son, Mark Ratliff; daughters, Cindy and Joanie; grandchildren, Michael, Daniel, Katie, Erin, Maggie, Liza, Greg, Nicholas, Christina, Andrew, Josh, Crystal, and Angie; and sister, Mary Lou McKenna.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, June 16, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment is at Acacia Cemetery in Beverly Hills.

Janet Nelson Steiner

Janet Nelson Steiner, 97, of Grosse Pointe Park, died peacefully on Saturday, June 9, 2007, just hours before her 98th birthday.

She was born in Detroit to Harry and Margaret Nelson on June 10, 1909.

She graduated from Northern High School in 1928 and from the first 4-year class at Marygrove College in 1933 with a Bachelor of Science de-

gree. In 1938, she married Wilfred A. Steiner and lived in a home he built on Chandler Park Drive in Detroit.

They moved to Westchester Road in Grosse Pointe Park in 1951 and raised three sons.

Mrs. Steiner was a life member of the Detroit Yacht Club and was an active leader of the ladies group, the Pelicans, and club bowling leagues.

She was instrumental in the founding and leadership of the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary which transformed from a book and gift cart service to the gift shop which is still operating.

After her children were raised, she worked for many years as a regular substitute in the Detroit public school system, and then as a part time sales associate at Jacobson's in the Village.

She and her husband enjoyed traveling on the Grosse Pointe War Memorial trips, particularly the around-the-world tour.

Some of her interests were family, travel, bowling, bridge, and volunteering for the hospital.

Her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were a great source of pride and delight to her.

She is survived by her sons, Wilfred (Bill), Jr. (Mary), Nelson (Lynne), Alfred II (Ann); grandchildren, Sara Sieders (Ken), Ann Bethell (Charles), Wilfred Eric (Kate), Nelson, Jr., Steven (Nancy), Mathew, Allison (Edwin) and Alfred III (Elizabeth); great-grandchildren, Katherine, Madeline, Andrew, Grace, Morgan, Evan, Ben, Noah and Ella; and longtime dear friend Ferd Primozic from American House in Clinton Township, where she lived for nine years.

Mrs. Steiner was predeceased by her husband of 59 years, Wilfred Steiner, and by her sister, Dorothy.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, July 9, 2007, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery in Detroit.

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According to the National Arbor Day Foundation, over the course of 50 years, a single tree can generate \$31,250 worth of oxygen, provide \$62,000 worth of air pollution control, recycle \$37,500 worth of water, and control \$31,500 worth of soil erosion.

Before buying a tree, investigate what types of trees grow well in the environment where it will be planted.

If you need help choosing a tree, talk to the owner of your local nursery or a county extension agent.

Choose the right size tree to plant. Studies show that trees planted when they're small establish faster and grow healthier than larger ones.

-By Beth Quinn

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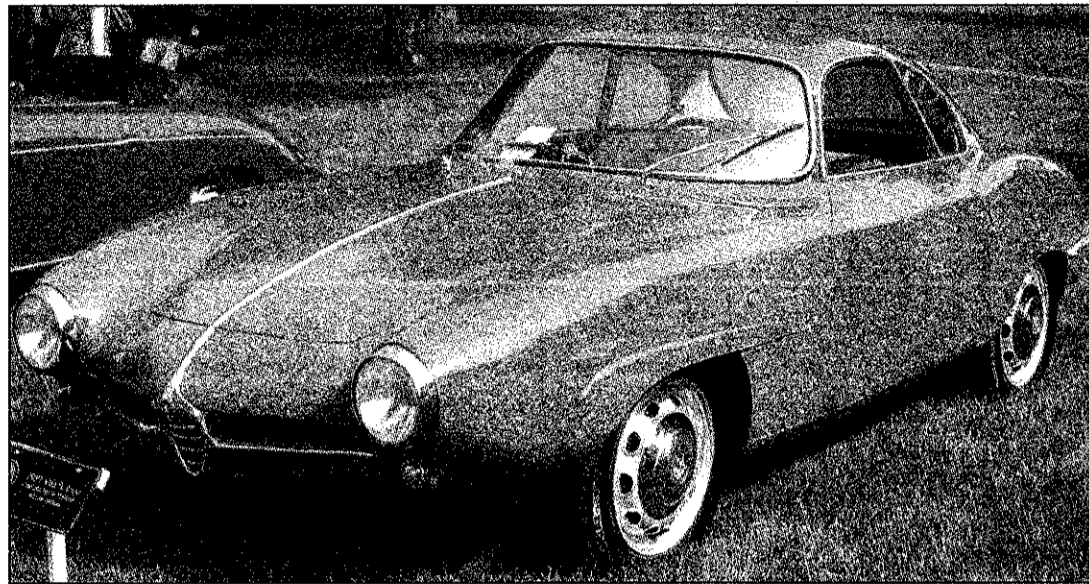
Aerodynamics, streamlining by design



Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. EyesOn Design is a benefit for the not-for-profit Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. It is the primary source of revenue for the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology's research, education and support groups and for programs that enhance the independence of the visually impaired. The 20th anniversary show organizers brought together some breathtaking classics from the late 1920s and early

1930s with more recent sedans and coupes, unique sportscars, hotrods, motor bikes, concept vehicles and, of course, the ultimate aero look of a silver 1936 Stout Scarab owned by Larry Smith of Bloomfield Hills. As visitors circled the invited vehicles, visually impaired volunteers wearing gloves carefully inspected cars to choose ones they found the smoothest. They eventually selected the 1935 Auburn Speedster Boat-tail exhibited by Ed Micol of Waterford.

Automotive design that captures streamlined looks with the slippery quality of aerodynamics was the theme of the mid-June 2007 EyesOn Design show at the Edsel and Eleanor



William Mihalic's prototype 1959 Alfa Romeo Giulietta won a designers' choice award in the aero sportscar category.



This electric-powered Eco V Electric utility vehicle belongs to its creator Richard Marks of Grosse Pointe Woods.

William Mihalic of Rochester was showing his rare red 1959 Alfa Romeo Giulietta Sprint Speciale, a pre-production sportscar with aluminum doors, hood and trunk lid. The low-nosed two-seater, built for racing, weighs less than 1,800 pounds and is powered by a 1300-cc engine, Mihalic said. He guessed there are fewer than 20 extant today. Grosse Pointe Park resident Dick Forton and family members had, only hours earlier, put Forton's 1927 Ford "track roadster" through its final cleaning



Dick Forton, right, heads for a chair in the shade behind his hand-built 1927 Ford track roadster.

and polishing. Forton, wearing his trademark suspenders, relaxed in a chair in the shade. He was exhausted, he said, but not too tired to talk about the stunning black-and-red '48 Cadillac hotrod owned by Ed and Betty Noble of Metamora. Ed is a longtime Detroit area auto writer and photographer who owns some truly beautiful specialty cars.

Richard Marks' car of the future — an Eco V Electric — represented what the Grosse Pointe Woods resident and former General Motors engineer hopes will be a vehicle of the near-term. Marks, now an independent businessman with a Detroit office, said he is anxious to find investors to launch his product line. His own background includes 25 years at GM, with five of those spent on the EV1 electric vehicle. Marks' brochure suggests an Eco V Electric, with a base price of \$9,995, is capable of traveling up to 40 miles on a 50-cent electric charge. Body con-

figurations could include a four- or six-passenger utility, a two-passenger pickup or conversions into a postal carrier or parking enforcement vehicle. Royal Oak resident Jeffrey Leestma bought his 1949 Hudson Commodore in Pennsylvania a few years ago. The director of the Automotive Hall of Fame joked about preparing for his EyesOn

Design debut in Grosse Pointe by wearing loafers without socks. Indeed, he fit right in. This was Leestma's first time as an exhibitor at the show. His Commodore was parked beside another "ultimate" in streamlined design, a burgundy-colored 1950 Nash Ambassador owned by Clarence and Nancy Becker.

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PEOPLE



VINCE FERRI has recently been promoted to vice president of business affiliations and support for Health Alliance

Plan. In his new position, Ferri is responsible for the operational performance and strategic growth of the HAP-CIGNA Affiliation.

Serving as HAP's primary liaison to CIGNA, Ferri will provide guidance and business process support for all areas of HAP to effectively sell and administer affiliation business. Prior to joining HAP in 1998, Ferri served as team manager application development for K-Mart Corporation and consulting manager at Andersen Consulting, LLP.

He received an M.B.A from Wayne State University, and a bachelor's degree in computer engineering from the University of Michigan. Ferri lives in Grosse Pointe Woods with his wife and three sons.

rector of communications for the Michigan region. In this role, Paterno will be responsible for leading media relations as well as employee and VIP communications activities throughout the company's 1.3 million customer Michigan region.

He will work closely with the region's corporate affairs team in the development, coordination, and implementation of public relations plans and strategies. He also will collaborate with various other departments to provide media relations, public relations, and communications support for service initiatives, product launches and other projects. Prior to joining Comcast, he served as manager of media relations for Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Prior to that, he worked for Marx Layne and Company, where his responsibilities included the development and implementation of strategic public relations programs. Paterno holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications from Michigan State University.

He resides in the City of Grosse Pointe.

PATRICK PATERNO has been named Comcast's regional di-

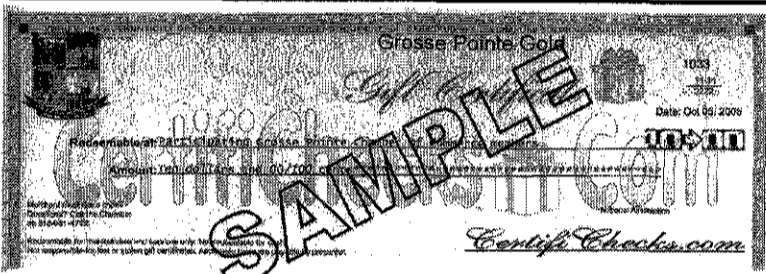


PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Coffee on Mack

Beaner's Coffee opened for business at 6 a.m., Monday, June 18. The new business, located at 18480 Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms, was welcomed to the community with a ribbon-cutting ceremony performed by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Taking part in the ceremony were from left, Jenny Boettcher, chamber of commerce director of member services; Mary Huebner, chamber of commerce executive director; Sue Loreda, owner; Jim Farquhar, Farms mayor; Misty Beard, co-manager; Kevin Beard, co-manager; and Rene Loreda. The 2,600 square foot coffeehouse has a section for children to play while their parents have a cup of coffee and a separate area with more tables.

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Bicycle Parts Diagram

Sidewalk sale

The Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue will hold its annual summer sidewalk sale (co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe News) Wednesday, July 11, through Saturday, July 14. The theme for this year's sale is summer fun for kids. In addition to the bike decorating contest to be held Thursday, July 12, the Grosse Pointe AAA will feature a bike safety rodeo beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 14, at Ghesquiere Park. Kids are invited to bring their bikes for a free safety inspection. Bike wheels, chains and hand brakes will be some of the components that will be inspected. Kids are also asked to bring along their helmets to navigate the skills test course.

HARPER WOODS

Eastland Mall to celebrate 50th year

Shoppers will be seeing 50 years of history while visiting Eastland Center July 26 through July 29. History will come alive as shoppers will get an opportunity to see a photo exhibit of Eastland Center through the years. Along with photos, there will be events relating to the past, present and future of Eastland.

Early construction of the mall was sidetracked by the Korean War and a steel shortage. Final construction was postponed until after the completion of Northland Center in 1954.

Built by the J.L. Hudson Company and designed by Victor Gruen & Associates, the center was originally opened with eight buildings on 105 acres of land.

In 1975, the center was en-

'The Lion and Mouse' sculpture by Marshall Fredericks still sits watching the generations of families visiting the center.'

closed in the same fashion as several other open air centers of the day.

Today, the new owners, Ashkenazy Acquisition Corp., are adding to the revival of the mall with the installation of the largest double play area in the United States.

As much as the center has changed through the years, several things remain the same.

The "Lion and Mouse" sculpture by Marshall Fredericks still sits watching the generations of families visiting the center. Shoppers still meet in the grand court for a day of shopping and millions of shoppers still visit the center for shopping, dining and entertainment.

On July 26, the mall will kick off the celebration with a special program at 1 p.m. in the play area. A visit from Premier Animal Attractions live animal exhibit, a hydroplane from the Detroit River Regatta Association and additional events are planned.

The festivities will continue throughout the weekend with costumed characters, exhibits, dance programs, text stomp games and prizes. As the date draws closer, visit shopeastland.com for a full schedule of events.

*Annual Percentage Yield (APY) is accurate as of 6/20/07. Minimum opening deposit requirement is \$500 and maximum deposit is \$100,000. Deposits are allowed only on the maturity date or during the grace period. Account fees could reduce earnings. Penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal. Not available for public units. Other restrictions may apply. **Customer must maintain an open and active checking account at Flagstar Bank with at least one automatic, recurring transaction monthly to qualify for the Loyalty Program. *Loyalty Checking Account* rate offer cannot be combined with coupons or other special offers.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Lock your bike

Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle from in front of a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval reported at 2:54 p.m. Monday, June 18.

Police said the bike's owner left the bike unlocked when he went into a store. When he returned, he saw the suspect riding the bike down Kercheval before turning north on Cadieux heading toward Mack.

Battery for sale

Police detained a 41-year-old Detroit man after he attempted to sell a car battery to a business in the 17000 block of Mack at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, June 17.

Police said the man had no receipts proving ownership of the battery. It was confiscated and the man was released at the scene.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check of the man revealed he had several Detroit traffic warrants and a criminal history of larcenies, assaults and fraud.

— John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the City of Grosse Pointe police department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Drunken driving

Police arrested a 26-year-old Florida man for drunken driving following a traffic stop on Lakeshore and Moran at 9:45 p.m. Saturday, June 23.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding. When questioning the driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. After failing field sobriety tests, the man registered .20 on a breath test.

Police discovered a partially full bottle of whisky when searching the man's vehicle.

He was arrested and his vehicle impounded.

Bike swiped

Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle from the backyard of a house in the 300 block of McKinley reported at 1:37 p.m. Friday, June 22.

Police said the bike, valued at \$225, had been left in the backyard. It is described as a Diamondback mountain bike.

Don't drive

A 27-year-old Detroit man was arrested following a traffic stop on Mack at 5:20 p.m. Friday, June 22.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it disobey a traffic sign. A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the driver had 18 current driver's license suspensions and four prior convictions for driving without a driver's license.

The man was taken into custody.

Stolen vehicle

Police arrested a 30-year-old Detroit woman for possession of a stolen vehicle following a traffic stop on Mack and Kerby at 9:27 p.m. Thursday, June 21.

Police ran a license plate check on the vehicle after observing it having a defective windshield. The check came back with no record and the traffic stop was initiated.

A check of the vehicle number revealed it was reported stolen out of Port Huron. The woman was taken into custody and the vehicle impounded.

— John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Farms police department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Park

Cell, money taken

On Monday, June 18 at 8:14

p.m. a black Nokia phone and \$5 was taken from an unlocked locker in the men's locker room at Windmill Pointe Park.

No power

Overnight on Friday, June 22, several power tools were taken from a locked garage at a house in the 900 block of Beaconsfield.

Copper heist

Between Tuesday, June 19 and Friday, June 22, a vacant home in the 1500 block of Essex was entered and approximately \$50 in copper plumbing was taken.

Bike stolen

Between 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 20, a pink Perez bicycle was taken from a garage in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield.

Illegal drugs

On Monday, June 18, at 10:31 a.m., police investigating a disturbance at a party store in the 14900 block of Kercheval, found a 36-year-old male to be in possession of illegal drugs. He was arrested and charged with possession of narcotics.

Underage drinking

On Thursday, June 21, at 12:10 a.m., police investigated six youths from Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Park in an alley in the 1300 block of Wayburn. Three were in possession of alcohol. They were transported to the police station and released to their parents.

Drop gun, run

Police observed a juvenile male and a 27-year-old Detroit male in an alley in the 1200 block of Wayburn. As the police approached them, the two suspects fled on foot after discarding a .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun. The youth was detained at the scene and the adult fled into Detroit, but was later arrested by police.

— Beth Quinn
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Park police department at (313) 822-7400.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Warrant arrest

A 32-year-old Detroit man was arrested after Shores police were notified he was in the custody of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department at 11:39 a.m. Thursday, June 21.

The man was wanted on a warrant in Grosse Pointe Shores and was transported to jail by sheriff's deputies. He posted bond and was released.

Traffic arrest

Police arrested a 31-year-old Detroit man following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 20.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it had a defective headlight.

The driver could not produce necessary paperwork for the vehicle. A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the man was wanted on three Detroit warrants.

He was also cited for driving without a driver's license, having an improper license plate tab, no proof of insurance and defective equipment.

He was taken into custody and his vehicle impounded.

Fugitive arrest

A 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man was arrested following an accident involving a vehicle and golf cart at a club on Lakeshore at 2:49 p.m. Wednesday, June 20.

A LEIN check on the driver of the golf cart revealed the man was wanted on two Allen Park warrants.

He was arrested and re-

leased after posting bond.

There were no injuries in the accident.

— John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Shores police department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Come on out

On Sunday, June 24, at 11:49 a.m., police responded to a call from a resident in the 2000 block of Allard who reported two youths in her backyard. The two Grosse Pointe Woods youths, ages 14 and 15, told police they used the yard to signal to a friend, whose home abuts the yard, to join them without his parents' knowledge. The youths were transported to the police station and released to their parents.

Pajama mama

On Friday, June 22 at 12:15 a.m., police responded to a call from a resident who observed a burgundy minivan driven by a young male traveling at a high rate ride up the curb of her lawn causing a flat tire and almost striking a light pole. The caller gave the police the

car's license plate number.

When the police arrived at the Hawthorne address of the registered vehicle, they observed two young males attempting to change the flat tire. When the youths saw the police car, they ran into a house.

A short while later, a 46-year-old female wearing a nightgown came out of the house. She told police she was the one driving the vehicle. She said she got a flat tire coming home from a gas station on Mack.

Police are investigating a possible case of obstructing justice and reckless driving. The owner of the gas station said no female matching the suspect's description came into the station during that time period.

One down, one to go

Between the hours of 4 and 5 p.m., Friday, June 22, two unlocked bikes were stolen from Ghesquire Park while their owners were playing baseball. One bike was later recovered.

Drunk driving

Police arrested a 29-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods male for drunken driving following a traffic stop on Mack at 2:23 p.m. Saturday, June 23.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it strike the median curb and suddenly swerve back into a lane of traffic. When questioning the driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from the man's facial area.

His speech was also slurred and his eyes were bloodshot, police said.

After failing field sobriety tests, the man registered a .239 on a breath test. He was arrested and held for pick up. His vehicle was impounded.

— Beth Quinn
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Woods police department at (313) 343-2400.

DPW to buy platform lift

Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Works employees will be reaching new heights this year.

City council approved the purchase of a Genie IWP-20S Model Industrial Work Platform Lift from Cougar Sales & Rental Inc. for \$10,457.22 to help workers fix problems in those hard-to-reach high areas of the activities building at Lake Front Park and other city facilities.

Other bids came from Bell Fork Lift Inc. (\$10,691.62), Great Lakes Power Lift (\$11,298) and NES Rentals (\$11,567). Cougar Sales submitted the lowest bid.

"For the normal, routine maintenance, the lift will be

very useful," councilmember Vicki Granger said.

Before, DPW workers used scaffolding to perform routine tasks, such as changing light bulbs that were too high for ladders.

"We don't have ladders that extend to those heights and it is cumbersome to build the scaffolding needed to do things like change light bulbs," DPW Director Joe Ahee said. "The new lift will come in handy and it will be very useful."

The activities building at Lake Front Park has a 24-foot ceiling in the lobby and gymnasium. That is too high for workers to safely use an extension ladder, Ahee said.

— By Bob St. John



Gift from soldier abroad

Grosse Pointe Shores President James Cooper and Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni take receipt of a plaque that was presented to the village by PSO James Moran, who recently returned from a tour of duty with the U.S. Navy Reserves in Iraq.

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that copies of the 2007 Consumer's Annual Report on Drinking Water Quality for the City of Harper Woods are available to the public free of charge at the Harper Woods City Offices and the Harper Woods Public Library. Copies of said report were previously distributed to all residents in the June Advertiser Times, however, additional copies are available to interested persons at the above designated locations. For more information, call the Department of Public Works between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at (313) 343-2570.

City of Harper Woods
MICKEY D. TODD,
City Clerk

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

**SPECIAL NOTICE
Holiday Rubbish Schedule for Independence Day,
July 4, 2007**

There will be no residential or commercial rubbish collection on Wednesday, July 4, 2007.

All residential rubbish routes will be one day late. Examples: Wednesday's routes will be collected on Thursday; Thursday's routes on Friday, etc.

Friday's residential rubbish routes will be collected on Saturday, July 7, 2007.

Tuesday and Friday's commercial routes will be collected on schedule.

Thank You,
G.P.N.: 06/28/2007 **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE OF REVIEW: Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Community Center - Lake Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, on

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007

From 9:00 a.m. to noon. Pursuant to MCL 211.53.b, the Board of Review will convene for the purpose of correcting assessments resulting from a clerical error or a mutual mistake of fact.

Kathleen L. Paul
City Assessor

G.P.N.: 06/28/07, 07/05/07, 07/12/07

Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

**NOTICE OF ENACTMENT
OF ORDINANCE NO. 242**

Notice is hereby given that at its regular meeting on June 19, 2007, the Grosse Pointe Shores Village Council passed new Ordinance No. 242.

Ordinance No. 242 amends the Village Code of Ordinances to clarify property owners' obligations to cut brush, grass and weeds on their property and the Village's authority to cut brush, grass and weeds upon a property owner's failure to do so; to provide procedures for assessing costs for expenses incurred by the Village in abating nuisances or taking other actions relating to single lots; to provide procedures for recording liens on single lots; and to repeal inconsistent ordinances. Ordinance 242 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.

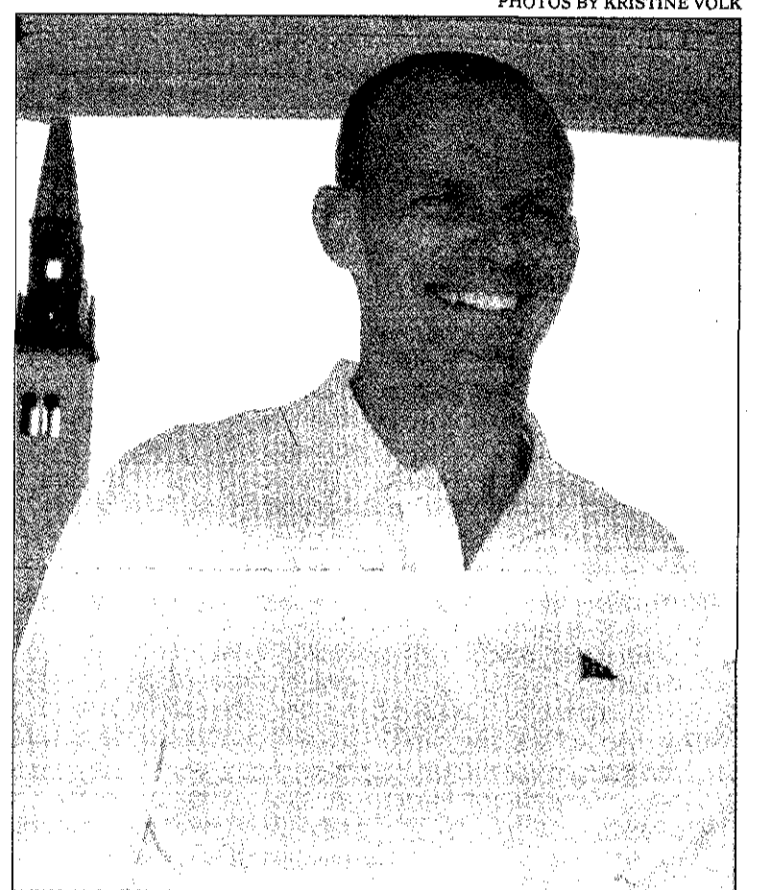
Copies of Ordinance No. 242 are available for public inspection at the Village offices.

Victoria J. Boyce,
Village Clerk

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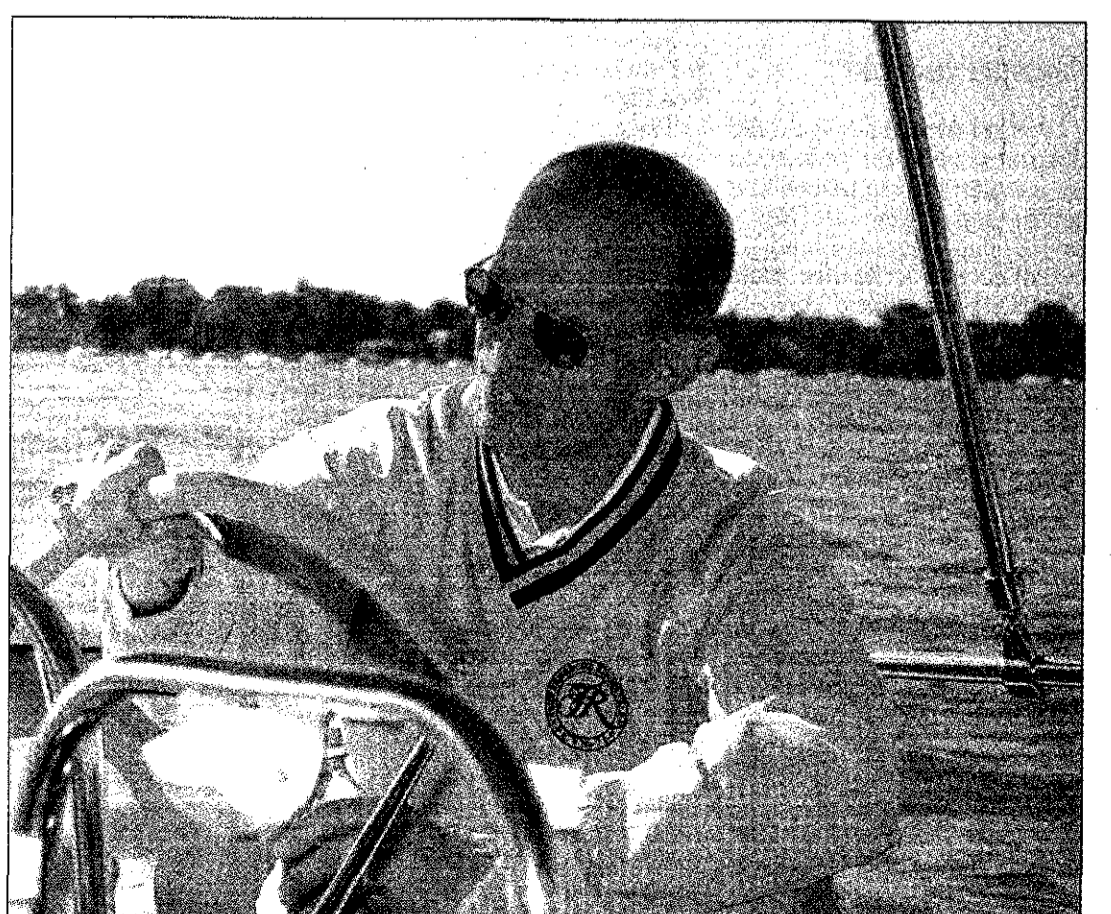
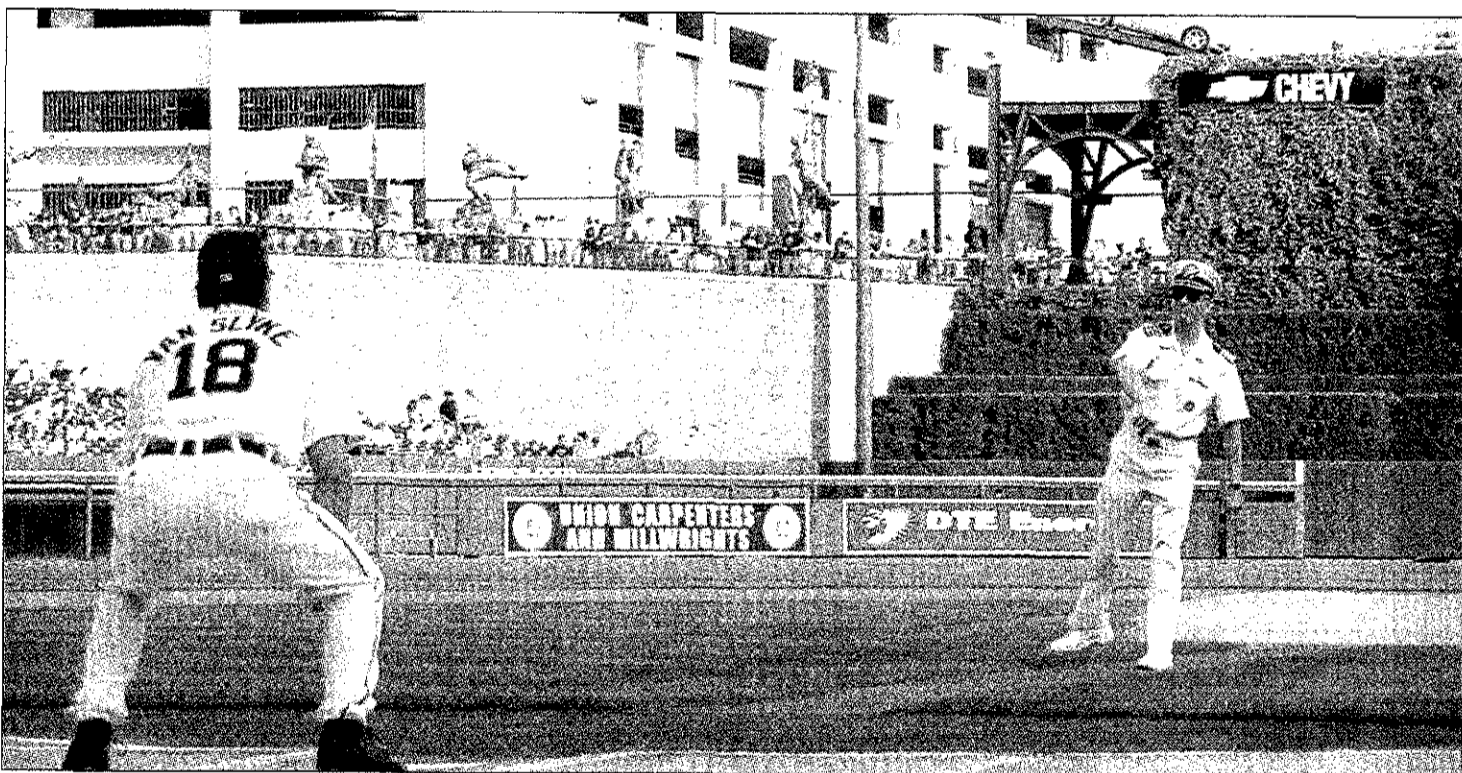


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Captain Haley comes to Michigan

Captain J.R. Haley, commander of the USS Theodore Roosevelt, CVN-71, and his wife, Char, paid a visit to Michigan recently. While here, he was hosted by the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, met with members of the Naval Academy and Navy veterans, threw out the first pitch at a Detroit Tigers baseball game, presented Tigers pitcher Nate Robertson with a Navy jumpsuit, took the helm of a boat owned by Grosse Pointe Yacht Club member Dan O'Connor and presented Detroit Red Wings Vice President Paul MacDonald a "Don't Tread on Me" plaque.



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An intergenerational activity taught Our Lady Star of the Sea children from the ground up about planting and sowed new seeds for the experienced gardener in the **Growing Healthy Together** project.

They grew together

By Ann L. Fouty
Acting Features Editor

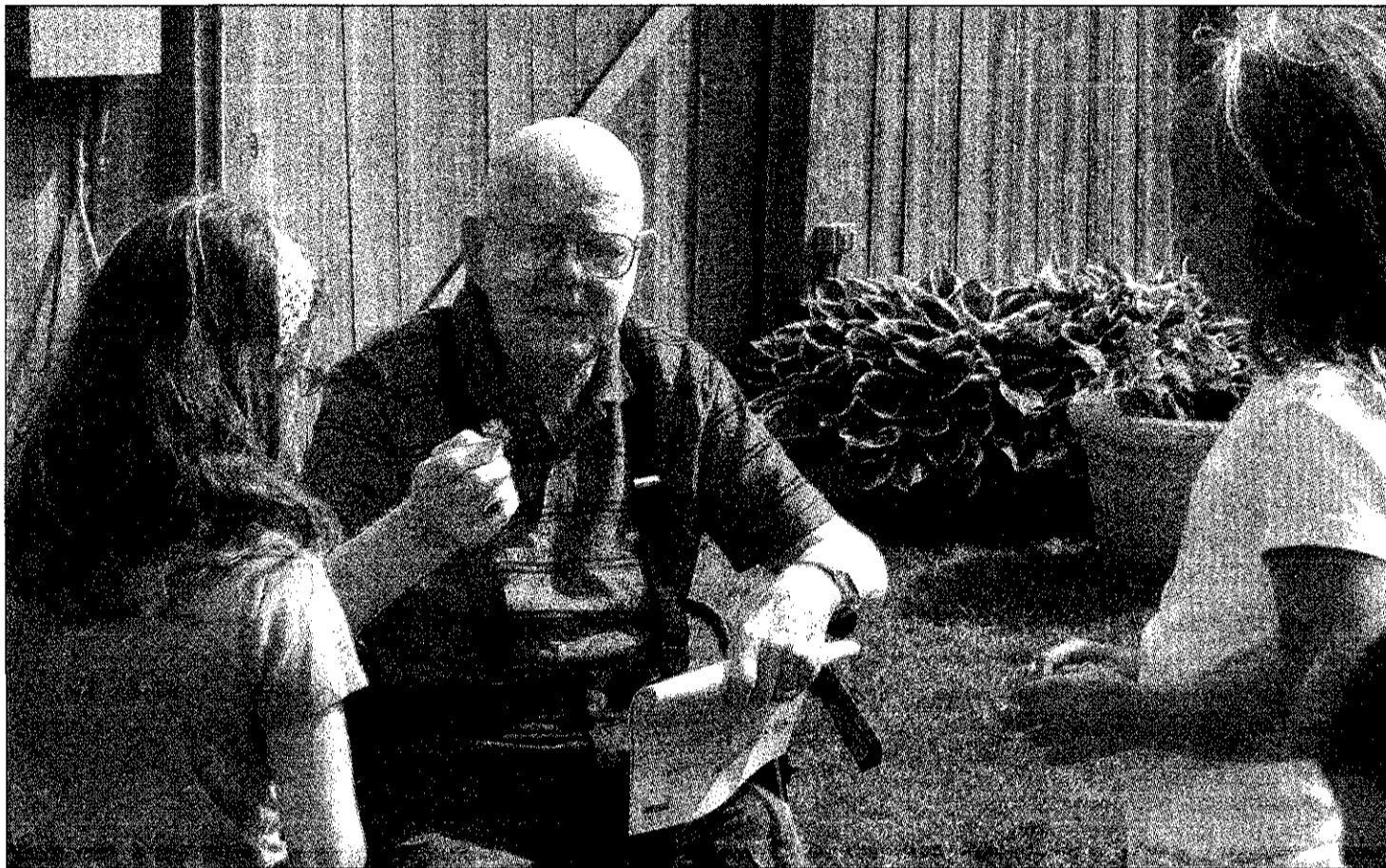
What can you teach me about gardening?

This was the question on the minds of a handful of elderly residents of the Bon Secours Place - Assisted Living Community in St. Clair Shores. It was also the question on the minds of 11 Our Lady Star of the Sea fourth- and fifth-graders when they signed up for the eight-week Growing Healthy Together project.

By the time school was over, the two generations watched vegetables sprout, herbs germinate and flowers and relationships bloom. They also discovered there were still many things to learn.

Residents Max Wisgerhof, 93, and 92-year-old Evelyn Baldoni were both raised on farms; Wisgerhof in Iowa and Baldoni in Imlay City. They thought they knew all there was to know about planting and growing.

"If you didn't raise it, we couldn't eat it," Wisgerhof said. Baldoni added, "I raised everything. I thought I knew



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Max Wisgerhof talks with Laure Bouret, left, and Kate Lechner, right, about planting. Having grown up on a farm in Iowa, Wisgerhof wondered what 21st century children could teach him about plants and growing. Both ages were surprised at what they learned in eight weeks of interaction.

everything (about farming)." She, however, was surprised about the role of worms and bugs in the health of a plant.

"I was surprised at things they were teaching," Wisgerhof said. He pointed to a green worksheet which discussed the food pyramid and talked of working on a food-related word puzzle, saying it was something he had never done before.

Wisgerhof's family grew grain, had an orchard with apples, cherries, peaches, pears and berries. "This brings back memories," he said. "I can't wait to taste the tomatoes."

Along with tomatoes, the children planted beans, basil, carrots, Swiss chard, cucumbers and parsley in two raised beds built by Grosse Pointe South High School students. They added zinnias, delphiniums, lilies, marigolds and alyssum to beds on the ground for color.

The Growing Healthy Together project came from the Family Life Committee of Our Lady Star of the Sea, said

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Growing Healthy Together members include, from left, Maureen Rayos, Courtney Berns, Kate Lechner, Julia Anter, C.J. Franck, Kayla Harden, Laura Vandal and Laure Boure. In back from left, are Shirley Martin and Kelly Martin-Rahaim.



Gardening enthusiasts gather around a raised vegetable bed are, from left, C.J. Franck, Laure Boure, Max Wisgerhof, Evelyn Baldoni, Julia Anter, Kelly Martin-Rahaim, Maureen Rayos, Courtney Berns, Kate Lechner, Laura Vandal, June Poirier, Kayla Haraden and Elianna Tocco.

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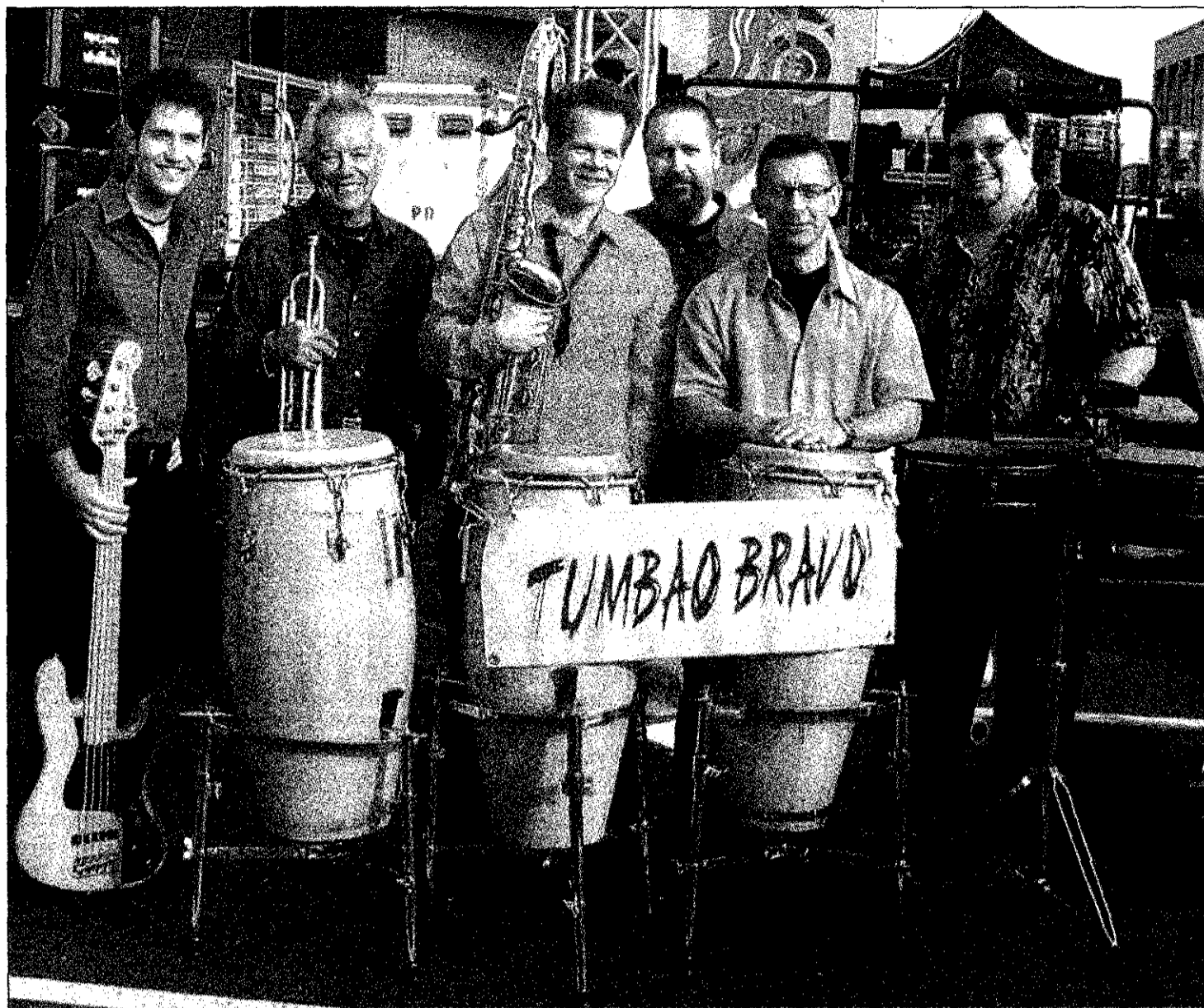
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Junior Goodwill honors past presidents

In 1933, the Junior Group of Goodwill Industries was founded by Jean Taylor Bodkin.

Membership to the group at that time required each prospective member to donate one bag of used clothing to Goodwill.

Today, new members must attend an orientation meeting, business meetings and participate in various Junior Group projects.

Since 1937, the Junior Group has held many fundraising events — a horse show, a bridge tea, cookbook

sales, theater parties, house tours, amateur theatricals and golf tournaments. The majority of the millions of dollars raised by the Junior Group, however, has been raised through its annual antiques show and more recently the Goodwill Classic golf outing.

First conducted in 1948, the Antiques Show was held at the Brush Street plant of Goodwill Industries until 1970. Since then, other locations have included the Sentinel Center, the Masonic Temple, Fairlane Manor in Dearborn and the Michigan



Past president of the Junior Group of Goodwill Industries are, from left, Shirley Kennedy, Mary Schroeder and Mary Rauh.

Mart Building at the Michigan State Exposition and

Fairgrounds. Today it is held at the Shotwell Pavilion on the campus of Oakland University. This fall will mark the 60th anniversary of the show — the longest running charitable show in the country. The Junior Group of Goodwill Industries recently held its annual meeting at the Tompkins Community Center in Grosse Pointe Park and honored its past presidents.

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organizer and Master Gardener Shirley Martin.

"They (the committee) were looking for a community project. This was backed by the MSU Extension Department. They supplied information and speakers to come," said Martin, who is a Farms resident.

Though she had prior experience assisting in a similar community project, she knew it would take a lot of work; thus she enlisted the help of her daughter, Kelly Martin-Rahaim of Grosse Pointe Woods.

"Mom always made us weed," she said.

Weeds are always an issue among gardeners but the MSU extension lecturers covered a variety of topics. A discussion on worms seemed to make the biggest impression on the students.

"Worms make compost," said fourth-grader Maureen Rayos of Detroit, "which is good for the plants — the nutrients, good soil and calcium."

Laura Vendail of Grosse Pointe Woods explained that spiders are necessary to a garden because they eat the bugs which are sampling the plants.

"We talked about herbs and vegetables. We talked about flowers and vegetables that grow together," Martin said.

All this was in preparation for children creating a new garden where only hostas grew.

The students had their work cut out for them.

They came in once a week and removed some plants and prepared the soil for a variety of foliage.

Residents requested older flowers, such as hollyhocks, a white lily, bleeding hearts and joe pye-weed.

"It's fun," said fifth-grader Kate Lechner who said they took out the hostas and raked leaves in preparation for the new plantings.

"I like getting my hands in

the dirt," said Laure Bouret, a fifth-grader from St. Clair Shores.

Julia Anter of the Woods, is an experienced gardener having planted tomatoes in her backyard for the past two years and composting. "I thought I would learn more about gardening," Anter said "I learned about herbs and stuff, perennials and annuals; what kind of worms will work the garden."

C.J. Franck has also been gardening for some time, having raised peas, tomatoes, sunflowers, hollyhocks and four o'clocks.

The children literally dug in and had a grand time.

"I couldn't get them to leave they were having so much fun," Martin said. With school out, there is still a clamor for the sign-up sheet as children and their parents make a special trip to the garden tucked behind the facility off Jefferson. They must still water the plants and pull the encroaching weeds.

During April, May and part of June, the students learned, worked and talked with residents. Relationships were tentative at first but after eight weeks, the children move freely from one resident to another and the residents talk to the children with smiles on their faces.

Stephany Pierson, the facility's activities director, said there have been smiles all around since the program started.

"The power of a little seed. When the seniors and the young people get together, it's the best of both worlds," she said.

Resident June Poirier said she enjoyed the children because they were so attentive and well behaved. She looks forward to eating the cherry tomatoes. "Michigan tomatoes are wonderful."

"Shirley did a wonderful job coordinating and planting. Residents enjoyed it. They would light up with the children," she said.

Now residents sit and walk in the enclosed area which has been brightened with flowers and the knowledge that there is always something more to learn.

Local artist exhibits at Cass Cafe

Harper Woods artist Stephanie Sturton's paintings are on display in the gallery of the Cass Cafe.

Sturton is a senior at the College for Creative Studies.

She explained that through her art therapy minor, she has developed a freestyle of abstract works, either in oil or acrylic, that layers words.

"It's more about the emotion

than reading the words," Sturton said.

The process is writing the words and layering them.

"It's doesn't make a difference if you can read the words," she said.

The exhibit runs through Sept. 22.

For more information, call the cafe at (313) 831-1400.

—By Ann L. Fouty

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Cityfest is sure to your excite tastebuds

Laura Phelps
Special Writer

This Independence Day holiday, Detroit will be celebrating at the 19th annual Comerica Cityfest, previously known as Comerica Tastefest.

The July 4 through 8 street festival will offer local and national music, local food, and Detroit culture at the New Center.

The event will host numerous national and local musical artists on four stages. Some of the acts this year include indie-rockers Spoon, Thunderbirds are Now! and Yo La Tengo; reggae artists The Wailers; parodist, Weird Al Yankovic; blues artists, Bobby "Blue" Bland, Measured Chaos and Patrick Sweany; rockers Cheap Trick; hip-hop artist, Lupe Fiasco; and local stars, The Detroit Cobras, The Come Ons, The Go, Rayse Biggs and The Sirens.

All performances are free and the schedule, location of stages, and list of musicians can be found at ComericaCityFest.com.

Comerica Cityfest is sure to have something to excite everyone's taste buds. More than 40 local Detroit restaurants will sell samples representative of the melting pot of ethnicities found in the city. Some of the vendors are Olympian Cafe, Rice Bowl Asian Kitchen, Taste of Ethiopia, La Pita Restaurant,

Under the Eagle, Vincent's Cuban Cuisine, Union Jacks and Zumba Mexican Grille.

Coldstone Creamery is sponsoring the dessert district that will offer sweet summer treats from Alinosi, Centaur Bar, Sweet Potato Sensations, and others.

Food and beverage tickets are \$7 for 11 and be bought at kiosks located throughout the event site.

Also returning is the 2nd Ave. Street Market where local boutiques offer an eclectic arrangement of Detroit memorabilia, fashion and art. Pure Detroit, Blackfokapparel, Bureau of Urban Living, Dragonfly Boutique, Vera Jane and The Fashion Place are some of the scheduled vendors.

The children's area will make CityFest a family event that everyone can enjoy from hands-on science experiments to a petting zoo. Barnyard Express, Miniature Motorways, Arts and Scraps, and Kids & Chemistry will be located in the Kid Zone in the Fisher Building parking lot from noon to 6 p.m. All activities are free.

Adults will also have a play area. Punk Fitness Detroit will be on the New Center Park Stage. Daily from 5:40 to 6 p.m. They specialize in "Detroit style" muscle sculpting and cardio to an indie, alternative, and classic punk soundtrack.



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Family-friendly events will offer a petting zoo, craft area, hula-hoop performance and race car track.

The Modern Skate and Surf "Extreme Team" will perform on a specially made street course including a mini half pipe and many gaps for skaters to launch themselves over. The Detroit Derby Girls will

also perform a scrimmage on a flat track that encircles the Modern Skate and Surf course.

July 7 is "World Hoop Day" and at 3 p.m. on the Park Stage, there will be a performance and giveaway.

Henry Ford's Model T will be carrying people back and forth on a free ride from its T-Plex museum located at the original Piquette Plant. Rides will be offered Wednesday, July 4 through Saturday, July 7, from

11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, July 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. From Model T's to punk-rock aerobics, many activities will be available in between lunch and dinner at this year's Cityfest.



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Elizabeth Hardwick, Louisa St. Clair Chapter DAR Conservation Chairman, and Brian Colter, City of Grosse Pointe Park Forester are shown in Pointe Park City Hall with the time line, a tree ring cut from an elm tree.

Park forester recognized

Grosse Pointe Park City Forester Brian Colter, received a conservation medal from the Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) of Grosse Pointe.

The medal is awarded to any man or woman with a distinguished conservation record. Criteria include outstanding efforts in wildlife and nature centers, resource management, park establishment, youth leadership, the media, or education on the college, high school, or elementary level.

His many hours of community assistance outside of his work responsibilities include the Arbor Day Poster Contest in the Grosse Pointe Elementary Schools, programs

for garden clubs, Boy and Girl Scout troops, school garden programs in Grosse Pointe and Detroit and individual mentoring of those working on special projects such as the Eagle Scout tree planting in Patterson Park this past month.

Through his affiliation with the Greening of Detroit, he assists with a semi-annual tree sale at Windmill Pointe Park.

Colter has volunteered as a board member of Keep Michigan Beautiful Inc. and received many state and local awards and commendations. His reuse of material from trees destroyed by the Emerald Ash Borer includes a bench located in the Grosse Pointe Park City offices.

The reuse of this ash wood to

construct a mantle and floor in Lindell Lodge, the ice skating warming hut at Patterson Park, earned the city a Keep Michigan Beautiful Award.

Another such award was given several years ago when he helped then Senior Girl Scout Meredith Scheiwe construct a human sundial there for her Gold Award Project.

Another focal point at the city offices includes a slice of an elm tree that succumbed to the Dutch Elm Disease. The rings of the tree are marked showing not only its age but their correspondence to area events. It is favorite of children visiting the building and is often taken to schools when Colter does conservation programs.

CLUB EVENTS

Friends of Vision

4710, ext. 225.

Friends of Vision, a support group for the visually impaired and blind meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, July 2, at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824-

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet for an 11:15 a.m. lunch, Tuesday, July 10, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The featured speaker is

Wayne County Circuit Judge Mary Waterstone, who recently retired.

She graduated from the University of Michigan law school in 1965. At that time she was one of 10 women law school in a class of more than 300.

All Grosse Pointes men are invited to attend this meeting.

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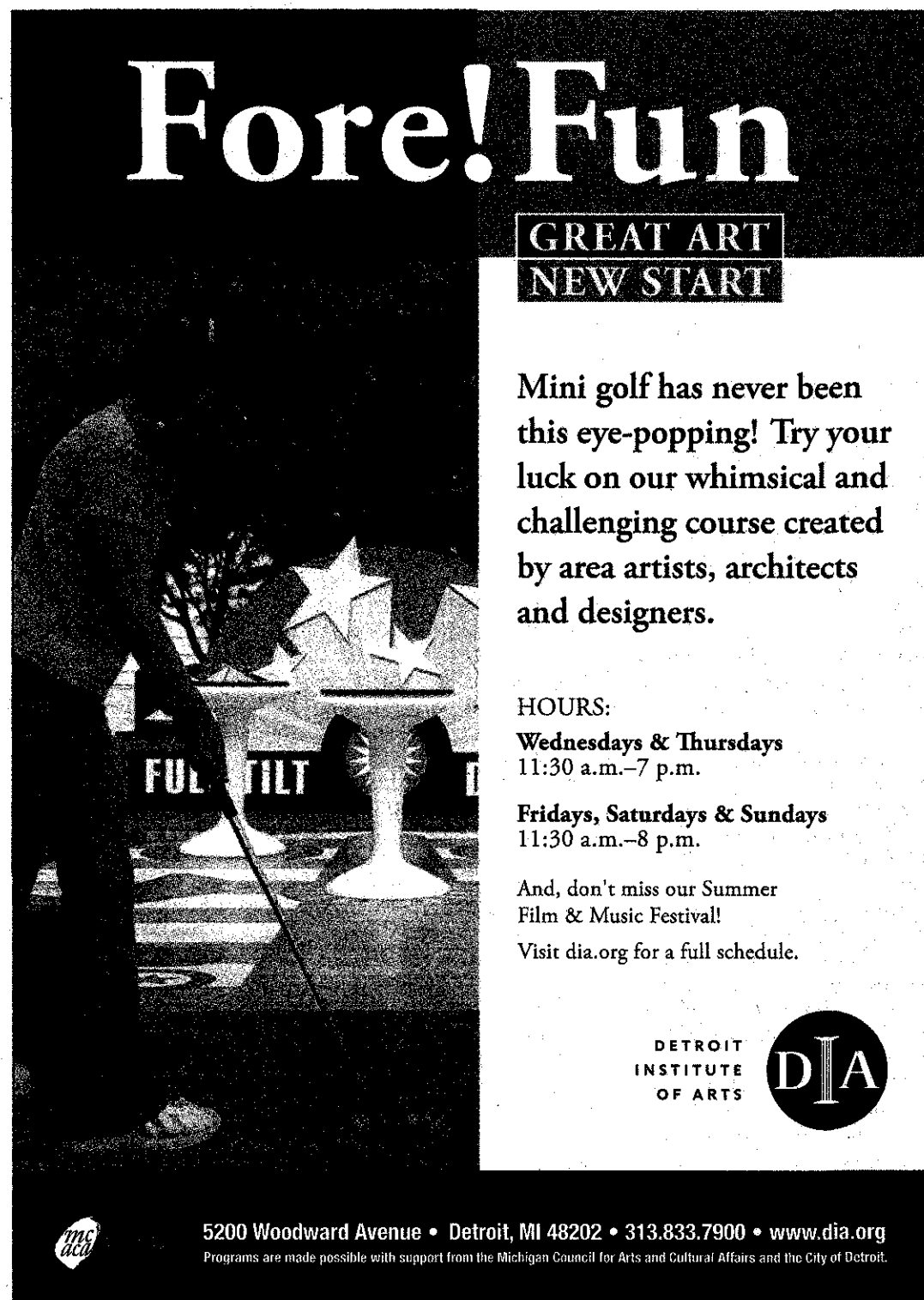
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ENGAGEMENTS

Detgen - Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Detgen of Lake Forest, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth "Betsy" Jane Detgen, to E.T. Michael Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Miller of Grosse Pointe Farms. A November wedding is planned.

Detgen is an alumna of Lake Forest High School and was graduated magna cum laude from the University of Notre Dame. She is a finance manager with Abbott Laboratories' Diabetes Care Division in Alameda, Calif.

Miller graduated from University of Detroit Jesuit High School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude from the University of Michigan. He earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Notre Dame, graduating summa cum laude. He is a manager in Online Sales & Operations at Google, Inc. in Mountainview, Calif.

Adams - Babcock

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory L. Adams of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Petoskey have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth "Tobi" Voss Adams, to Stephen Charles Babcock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Babcock of Philadelphia, Penn., and New York City, formerly Grosse

Pointe Park.

A July 2008 wedding is planned.

Adams is a graduate of The Summit Country Day School and will graduate in December from The University of Cincinnati with a degree in business, real estate concentration.

Babcock is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and Xavier University's Williams College of Business with a degree in entrepreneurship.

Both are both employed by Comey & Shepherd as real estate agents and Babcock is the director of sales and leasing.

Brown - Gleason

Dr. and Mrs. Patrick L. Brown of Lewisburg, W.Va., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Shelby Lynne Brown, to Dr. John Douglas Gleason, son of Dr. and Mrs. Michael J. Gleason of Grosse Pointe Woods. An August wedding is planned.

Brown graduated from Huntington East High School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and history from the University of Michigan. She also earned a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She is the manager of Safety Net Services with Henry Ford Health System in Detroit.

Gleason graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and earned a Bachelor

of Science degree in chemistry, summa cum laude, from Boston College in Chestnut Hill, Mass.

He earned a medical degree from Harvard Medical School, Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology and is completing his radiology residency at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Moran - Piggott

Jill Defoe Moran of Grosse Pointe Farms has announced the engagement of her daughter, Darby Elizabeth Moran, to Cameron Dewar Piggott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cameron H. Piggott of Grosse Pointe Shores. She is the daughter of the late John D. Moran Jr.

Moran is attending Macomb Community College and is an executive assistant with Higbie Maxon Agney Inc.

Piggott earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting from Michigan State University. He is a real estate professional at Higbie Maxon Agney Inc.

Frazier - Houser

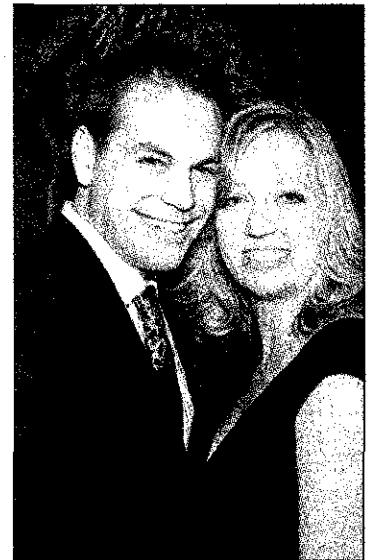
Lloyd Frazier and Cheryl Stout-Frazier of Fort Collins, Colo., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Heather Lois Frazier, to Joseph Jacob Houser, son of Kevin Houser and Patricia Anger, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms.



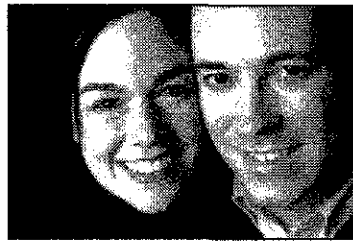
E.T. Michael Miller and Elizabeth Jane Detgen



Joseph Moser and Dayna Santoro



Stephen Charles Babcock and Elizabeth Voss Adams



Shelby Lynne Brown and Dr. John Douglas Gleason



Cameron Dewar Piggott and Darby Elizabeth Moran



Heather Lois Frazier and Joseph Jacob Houser

A September wedding is planned.

Frazier earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration and marketing from Washington State University. She is a case manager with the Keane Organization.

Houser graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1998 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Villanova University. He is a professional photographer and a buyer with L2 Inc.

Santoro - Moser

Philip and Maureen Dalton

Santoro of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dayna Santoro, to Joseph Moser, son of Robert and Sharon Spoto Moser of Northville. A June 2008 wedding is planned.

Santoro earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and English from the University of Michigan. She is pursuing her Master of Business Administration de-

gree from the University of Michigan.

Moser earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan. He is a vehicle marketability engineer at Nissan Automotive in Farmington Hills.

WEDDINGS

Fisher - Hopper

Lauren Leigh Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John William Fisher III of Harbor Springs, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Roger Nelson Hopper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gaylord Hopper of Urbanna, Va., on April 28, 2007, in the Grace and Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Richmond, Va.

The Rev. Jason T. Roberts officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at The Commonwealth Club in Richmond.

The bride wore an ivory silk/satin strapless gown with a sweetheart neckline and semi-cathedral length train. The multi-pleated gown was embellished with elaborate beadwork.

She wore a finger-tip length veil. White roses and lilacs comprised her bouquet.

Denise Mills of Alexandria, Va., served as her best friend's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Lynn Mayer of Chicago, Danielle Reed of Menlo Park, Calif., and Marnie Krainik of Waukesha, Wis., all friends of the bride.

Laura Taylor Hopper of Richmond, Va., the groom's niece and godchild, was the flower girl.

Attendants wore floor-length lavender chiffon gowns and carried spring flowers in shades of lavender, cream and green.

The groom's father served as best man.

Groomsmen were Christopher, Hill and John Hopper, all brothers of the groom.

Ushers were David C. Brown, the groom's cousin; J. Duke Hopper, the groom's nephew; Jon D. Vordermark, Joshua L. Metz and Kevin T. Terminella, all friends of the groom.

The bride's mother wore an ice blue floor-length knit skirt and jacket. Her nosegay was made up of spring flowers.

The groom's mother wore a cream floor-length gown.

Her nosegay bouquet was also comprised of spring flowers.

The organist was Elizabeth

Melcher. Readers were Margaret Brown, the groom's aunt, and Christopher MacLean Hopper, the groom's nephew.

The bride graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and the University of Michigan. She earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The groom attended Virginia Episcopal School and graduated from Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia.

The couple honeymooned in London, England. They live in Richmond, Va.

Hawkins - Verdova

Lindsay Kathryn Hawkins, daughter of Douglas and Kathleen Hawkins of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Mark Steven Verdova, son of Mark and Stephanie Verdova of Westlake, Ohio, on Sept. 30, 2006, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The Rev. Robert Fisher officiated at the wedding, which was followed by a reception at the Cherry Creek Golf Club in Shelby Township.

The bride wore a white, strapless, Basque waist dress with a box pleated skirt and an attached cathedral-length train.

She carried a hand-tied clutch bouquet of white and vendela colored roses and stephanotis.

Megan Simon of Baltimore, Md., served as her best friend's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were friends of the bride, Theresa Northey of St. Clair Shores, Barbara Britt of Cleveland, Cheryl Mooney of Chicago, Sarah Longhouse of Columbus, Ohio, and Sara Cote of Waterford.

Attendants wore champagne European satin strapless gowns with a double-sided champagne and taupe waist sash. They carried hand-tied clutch bouquets of white, butter-scotch, rust and spicy colored roses.

The groom's father served as best man.

Friends of the groom served



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Steven Verdova

as groomsmen and were Matt Louis of Jupiter, Fla., Brian O'Neill of Cleveland, Jay Malayny of Chicago and Brad Bartkowiak of Chicago, and the bride's brother Jeffrey Hawkins of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Ushers were the groom's cousins, Ryan Rustad of Avon Lake, Ohio, and Greg Rustad of North Olmsted, Ohio.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Dayton and is an account executive with Employers Select Plan in Cleveland.

The groom earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University of Dayton and is a senior sales consultant with Arrow Uniform in Cleveland.

The couple honeymooned in Antigua and live in North Ridgeville, Ohio.

Scallen - Welch

Meghan Alecia Scallen, daughter of Timothy and Deborah Scallen of the City of Grosse Pointe, married Eric John Welch of Charlotte, N.C., son of Scott and Darlene Welch of Canfield Ohio, on April 14, 2007, at the Grace Community Church, Detroit.

Bryan Hocchalter officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a strapless gown with a beaded bodice and a full tulle beaded skirt and she carried a bouquet of white roses and pale pink



Mrs. Roger Nelson Hopper

tulips. Abby Ragan, the bride's college roommate, of Canfield, Ohio, was the maid of honor. She carried a bouquet of hot pink roses and pink tulips.

Bridesmaids were Kathleen Scallen, the bride's sister, of the City of Grosse Pointe; Mary Scallen, the bride's sister of Colorado Springs, Colo.; Jessi Welch, the groom's sister of Charlotte; and Erin Korreck, the bride's friend from Grand Rapids.

Attendants wore sage green satin, empire waisted cocktail dresses.

They carried bouquets of pink roses and tulips.

Jonathon Williams, the groom's college roommate from Springboro, Ohio, served as best man.

Groomsmen were Steve Wloch, Chris Lehotsky and Jeremy Hamilton, all from Canfield; and Robert Ward of Ravenna, Ohio. All are the groom's friends.

The bride's mother wore a dress with a chocolate brown full satin floor length skirt and a crocheted beaded bodice and jacket.

She had a white rose wrist corsage.

The groom's mother wore a champagne colored full-length sheath dress with a beaded jacket. Her corsage was also white roses.

Louise Veltri was the soloist and pianist. John Schwarz gave the reading.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication from Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind. She is a media planner with Doner Advertising.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from the University of Toledo. He is



Colin Thomas and Dr. Melanie Holbrook Darke

with ESP Associations in Fort Mill, S.C.

The couple honeymooned at DisneyWorld, Wild Kingdom Resort, Orlando, Fla. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

Lewis - Darke

Melanie Holbrook Lewis of Boston, daughter of John and Arlene Lewis of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Colin Thomas Darke of Boston, son of Richard and Alice Darke of Wixom, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, on June 11, 2005, at the Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel.

The Rev. Otto Hentz, S.J. of Georgetown University, officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore an ivory silk mikado A-line gown with a champagne taffeta sash. Her cathedral-length veil was trimmed with Alencon lace. She carried a bouquet of white peonies, sweet peas, roses, freesia and miniature calla lilies.

Maureen Lewis of New York City was her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were the groom's sisters, Kimberly Darke of Chicago and Kelly Darke of Westland; and the bride's friends, Melissa Mabley Martin of Royal Oak, Stephanie Pirrello of Charlotte, N.C. and Lindsay Ronayne Fenton of Oxford, Ohio.

They wore long V-neck dresses of navy silk charmeuse. They carried bouquets of peonies, sweet peas, lisianthus and stock in shades of pinks and purples.

Richard P. and Sean Darke of Chicago served as their brother's best men.



Mr. and Mrs. Eric John Welch

Groomsmen were the brides' brother, John C. Lewis of Royal Oak; the groom's brother-in-law Vincent Cocciolone of Westland; the groom's cousin Christopher Miller of Royal Oak; and his friend Andre Veasey of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Ushers were Ryan Miller of Auburn Hills, Christopher Nelson of Royal Oak and Michael Gehrke of San Francisco.

The bride's mother wore a floor-length dress of coral taffeta.

The groom's mother wore a long two-piece dress of champagne lace.

Christine Galnor Maynard, Kerry McCool, Carly Rice and Timothy O'Loughlin were readers.

Music was provided by the Christ Church Choir of Men and Boys with director Frederic DeHaven; trumpeters Jeffrey Markwick and Paul Miller. French horns were played by Virginia Cunningham and William Brown. Kelly Dahlstrom Tucker was the soloist.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Georgetown University and an M.D. from Wayne State University. She is a resident in anesthesiology at Harvard Medical School, and the program is at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Western Michigan University and a law degree from Michigan State University College of Law.

He is pursuing a LL.M. in banking and financial law from Boston University School of Law.

He is an attorney with Mirick, O'Connell LLP in Boston.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to Bermuda. They live in Boston.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Ellen Brayton

Encouraging children to get along



Q It is summertime and I know I am in for three months of fighting amongst my three children. Is there any advice you can give me to help them act a little more civil to one another — and help me keep my sanity at the same time?

A For better or worse, sibling relationships form one of the most enduring social bonds in human development. As children, siblings often share bedrooms, toys, and even their parents' attention and affection.

As adults, siblings compete for decision making authority in the family as they struggle to care for aging parents.

Yet, the unique bond that occurs between siblings, although often conflictual, provides individuals with tremendous opportunities for better understanding interpersonal relations and how to resolve conflicts.

Elizabeth Barton Ph.D., a native Grosse Pointe, psychologist and faculty member at Wayne State University, provides the following food for thought on this subject:

We see sibling conflict as a reoccurring and important theme in literature. For exam-

ple, children's fairy tales such as "The Three Little Pigs" and "Cinderella" center on themes of competition, jealousy, and rivalry among siblings. The Book of Genesis features stories of intense sibling conflict such as when Cain kills his brother and Jacob steals his brother's inheritance. Even Shakespeare's "King Lear" focuses on the rivalry of three sisters for their father's favor. Across these various works is a portrayal of sibling conflicts, which are constructive and developmentally appropriate, as well as conflict that is destructive and detrimental to sibling relationships.

As powerful socialization agents, children learn much from their siblings, especially as to how one's behavior may be acceptable to others. Children are freer to disagree with siblings than with other members of their social networks such as with peers or parents. Peer relationships may not withstand repeated disagreements and conflicts with parents are usually "unwinnable" because of their parents' greater power and resources within the family.

Often children will test specific opinions and behaviors on their siblings, rather than risking peer rejection or punishment by parents.

Therefore, sibling relationships provide a safe venue for children to learn much about what behaviors are socially ac-

ceptable and successful during heated moments of interpersonal conflict. As a result, elements of great warmth and great conflict often co-exist in developmentally normal sibling relationships.

A central question of interest to researchers and families alike is when and if one should intervene during sibling conflicts.

In order to determine if intervention in sibling conflict is necessary, assess the amount of conflict that siblings engage in during a normal day. According to researchers, preschool age siblings are involved in as many as eight conflicts each hour, with sibling conflict highest in the middle school grades.

Next, determine if the conflict is destructive or constructive to the relationship. Constructive conflicts are often issue specific and have the potential for being resolved such that both children are happy.

On the other hand, destructive conflicts between siblings often spread the content beyond the initial conflict source to other issues, escalating the conflict to an end in which neither party will be satisfied. These conflicts are frequently characterized by physical, and/or verbal abuse. Parent intervention should occur when siblings engage in unusually high levels of conflict during the day that may be character-

ized as destructive in nature.

Often, parents intervene in sibling arguments too early, reducing the chances for children to learn how to resolve their conflicts on their own.

By allowing children to engage in constructive conflict, parents may increase their children's ability to resolve disagreements on their own. This improves a child's ability to problem solve with peers and others outside their home in the future. Listed below are some basic steps for intervening and strategies to help foster better sibling relationships.

Five basic steps for intervening in sibling conflicts:

◆ Acknowledge each child's feelings

◆ Reflect each child's point of view

◆ Describe the problem using information your children have provided

◆ Assist children with creating possible solutions to the problem.

◆ Leave the room to allow older children to select a solution and resolve the problem

on their own.

Strategies for building harmonious sibling relationships:

◆ Recognize that children are different and treat them uniquely and not equally. You may need to spend more time with one child, while another child may require more reinforcement for his or her accomplishments.

◆ Understand that the quality of sibling relationships is influenced by age, birth order and gender factors that have very little to do with parenting.

◆ Encourage respect between siblings for their individual abilities, achievements, and interests.

◆ Respect children's personal space and possessions. This is critical to building constructive sibling relationships.

◆ Resist comparing one child to another. Perceived parent partiality (i.e. sibling rivalry) will add fuel to sibling conflicts.

◆ Keep out of sibling disagreements unless the conflicts are destructive.

Intervening in sibling conflicts

may often create perceived parent alliances, increasing the likelihood for "win-lose" resolutions.

◆ Make each child feel special and valued in some way. All children, regardless of age, need to feel important and parents are the primary individuals to satisfy that need.

◆ Consistently acknowledge helping, sharing, and constructive conflict resolution behaviors that occur between siblings.

◆ Routinely perform self-awareness checks. Ask yourself if your behavior is partial toward a child (e.g. a special needs child or the youngest) and how that may contribute to sibling conflict.

For information about the center's "Parenting Party" venue, contact Mary Ellen Brayton, program director at The Family Center, 20090 Morningside Dr., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236; by phone at (313) 432-3832 or e-mail at Info@familycenterweb.org or familycenterweb.org.

Hospitals go tobacco free

It's a matter of life and health," said Chief Executive Officer Jeff Collins as he announced that all Bon Secours Cottage Health Services (BCHS) facilities will become tobacco-free areas on July 2.

"Smoking is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States and costs Americans billions of healthcare dollars each year," said Collins. "As a healthcare system, we have a responsibility to encourage and promote healthy lifestyles throughout our community.

"The Michigan Hospital Association is leading an initiative to encourage all Michigan healthcare institutions to be tobacco-free by the end of the year, but at Bon Secours Cottage we are doing it now because we believe it to be a priority."

As of July 2, smoking and

other tobacco use is prohibited on any property owned or occupied by BCHS. This includes Bon Secours Hospital, Cottage Hospital, the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, Bon Secours Place at St. Clair Shores assisted living facility, the eight medical centers located in Grosse Pointe, St. Clair Shores, Roseville and Warren, as well as the outpatient physical therapy and diagnostic centers and business offices. The tobacco-free zone extends to the facility parking lots and adjacent neighborhoods.

A Tobacco-Free Implementation Team was formed earlier in the year to address the needs and concerns of staff, patients and visitors who use tobacco regularly.

Including staff members who are users and non-users of tobacco, the team developed a plan to help ensure

success in this potentially life-saving initiative.

The plan provides for educational sessions, smoking cessation classes and options, information cards for patients, visitors and employees and publicity within the organization and the local community.

"Many staff members already have taken this initiative as their personal opportunity to quit smoking," added team leader Ruthanne Liagre, vice president for Human Resources. "And, in some cases, the incentive to quit has even reached out to their family members who are quitting the habit as well."

The Tobacco-Free Initiative is another way Bon Secours Cottage Health Services demonstrates its commitment to provide five-star care and enhance the wellbeing of the communities it serves.

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CAREGIVING By Terri Murphy

Maintain and retrain the brain



At some point we have all misplaced our keys and forgotten someone's name. Before you get too worried and think that you are losing your mind, know that most of us will experience minor memory impairments and slower cognitive processing ability as we age. The changes that people experience as part of the normal

aging process tend to be more annoying than anything. It is when there is disease or injury to the brain that our everyday functioning is compromised.

Our mind is the control center of our central nervous system. The human brain directs our cognitive function and motor abilities. The process of acquiring, processing, remembering and using information involves attention, memory and intelligence.

Attention includes interest, concentration and consciousness. If we are not interested in something, it is unlikely that we will focus. Distractions and sensory overload also make it

difficult for us to concentrate or pay attention. In addition, illness, medication, alcohol and drugs can compromise our consciousness or attentiveness. Simply put, anything that affects our attention also impacts our ability to retain and recall information.

Memory refers to how we store, retain and recall things. As part of the normal aging process, we notice some change to our short-term memory.

For example, we may not recall what we had for dinner last night. Factors that affect our memory include importance, motivation, expectations,

learning habits and more. If we forget what we had for dinner, does it really matter? We tend to recall information that is important to us and it may just take a little longer.

Intelligence has to do with our ability to learn, capacity to reason, think abstractly, and more. As we age, the knowledge we acquire over time remains.

The challenges we experience are adapting to unfamiliar situations that involve planning and problem solving.

While you may have heard suggestions like eating chocolate or drinking a glass of red wine, there are practical things

that we can do to help maintain and retrain our brain. An article in the May 9, edition of Forbes Magazine offers the following suggestions:

◆ Lifelong learning — stimulate your mind by learning new things; the more complex the better.

◆ Computer programs — software programs can help to challenge, stimulate and train you brain.

◆ Social interaction — socializing is a form of mental exercise. Engage in conversations that challenge your brain.

◆ Stress reduction — stress puts an unnecessary burden on your brain and keeps you

from effectively focusing on things that matter.

◆ Physical exercise — exercise leads to increased blood flow to your brain, which has been shown to help improve cognitive performance.

It is very important that we encourage our loved ones to continue to engage in activities by providing companionship and support to help them maintain their independence.

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's July Lunch and Learn schedule

Services for Older Citizens has lined up more speakers for July's Lunch and Learn series.

After an 11:15 a.m. hot lunch, participants can listen to the following presentations:

◆ Geriatric Care — Interested in when to move and where? Monday, July 9. Diane Hischke, a nurse at Serving Seniors Inc. will share some guiding principals on whether to move or stay when additional care is needed.

◆ Alternative Health Care Seminar — Wednesday, July 11. Dr. Ross Winn of the Alternative Health Care Center will describe and demonstrate Nutritional Response Testing, a natural method of analyzing the body's structural and nutritional needs. He will also address general nutrition questions.

◆ Piano Entertainment and a sing-along — Monday, July

16. Penny Masuro will play piano requests from the '30s, '40s, and '50s and lead a sing-along.

◆ Building Mental Muscle — Wednesday, July 18. Tanya Gustafson, marketing director at Arden Courts, offers an interactive workshop for people who want to keep their brains active and healthy. Research shows that persons who keep their brains active and healthy have a lower incidence of developing memory impairing illnesses. This class reviews ways people can keep their mind active by doing different "mental exercises."

◆ Senior Housing Options — Monday, July 23. Liz Peterson of Fraser Villa will discuss senior housing options and the differences between assisted living communities, skilled nursing and long term care.

◆ Veterans and Spouses — Monday, July 30. Tom Youngblood will discuss aid and assistance available to

veterans and surviving spouses through the Veterans Administration.

Special events planned in July include:

Silver Screen Movie Classics, 11:30 a.m. Monday, July 2. Enjoy a movie plus pop and popcorn.

Red, White and Blue — 4th of July Party, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 3. Doug Krieger will provide the entertainment for this event featuring dancing, a catered lunch and prizes.

SOC is in the Neighborhood Club, 17500 Waterloo, the City of Grosse Pointe.

County Veterans' Affairs division wins award

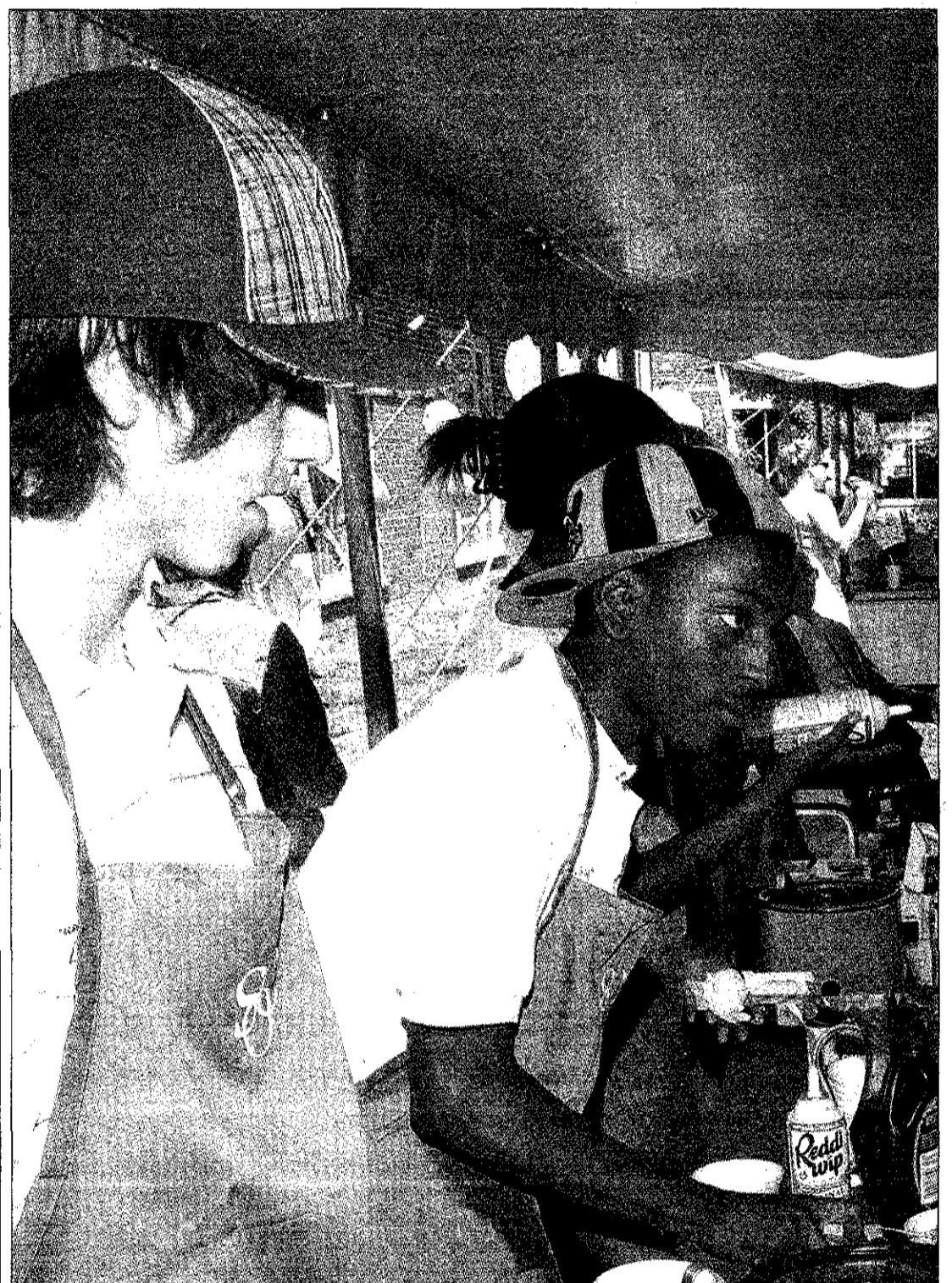
Wayne County's Veterans' Affairs division is part of a team that earned the coveted Adjutant General's Quality Cup Award.

The silver award was given to the county Veterans' Affairs, the Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund and the Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund County Committee.

To streamline costs and add services, Wayne County in 2006 created One Stop, combining state and county programs to veterans. One Stop also offers state Department of Labor and Economic Growth staffing and programs.

Wayne County has more than 200,000 military veterans, with nearly 2,000 annually receiving benefits.

The award was given in June.



Yum ice cream

More than 200 seniors and guests enjoyed a cool treat at Services for Older Citizen's ice cream social, which was supported by local businesses, including AT Home Caregivers, Henry Ford Village, Mystic Medical Equipment, Pine Ridge, St. John Health System, St. Mary's Nursing and Rehab Center, the Gardens of Clinton, Home Care Assistance, American House, Grosse Pointe Public Library and Lucas Hearing.

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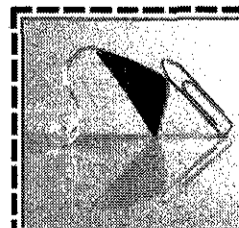
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Jonathan D. Schultes was named to the Dean's List for Outstanding Scholastic Achievement at Western Michigan University and the Academic Honors List at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. He is the son of David and Donna Schultes of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Joseph Ronald Agacinski of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Katelyn Danielle Aitken of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Ashley Marie Allemon of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Anna Kay Alschbach of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Katherine Elizabeth Andreovich of Grosse Pointe Park was named to the Dean's List at Ohio Wesleyan University. She is the daughter of Paul G. Andreovich and Mary Ann Andreovich and a graduate of University Liggett School.

Marie Eileen Andrews of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Mycah Leigh Artis of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

She graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School.

Rachel L. Basse was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to teach and research in Madrid, Spain for the 2007-08 academic year. She is the daughter of Mary and Roger Basse of Grosse Pointe Park.

Matthew Charles Bates of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Rebecca Lynn Battjes of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Hunter Alexis Bearse of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Christian Bielski of Grosse Pointe Park made the Dean's List for the spring semester at Albion College. He is the son of Christopher and Miriam Bielski and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Callie A. Blatt of Grosse Pointe Farms was on the Dean's list at DePaul University for her accomplishments during the 2007 winter term.

Christopher Blunden of Grosse Pointe Shores made the Dean's List for the spring semester at Albion College. He is the son of Paul and Elizabeth Blunden and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Erin Marie Brophy of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Andrew Reay Brown of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Geoffrey Robinson Browning of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Eric Charles Burton of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Stephen Cahill of Grosse Pointe Park received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine from Michigan State University. He is the son of Stephen and Sharon Cahill and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School. He is beginning a residency in urologic surgery at Henry Ford Healthcare System in Detroit.

Whitney Elaine Cahill of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Matthew Caroselli Candela of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University. He is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Catherine Patricia Cohan of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University. He is graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Thomas Combs of Grosse Pointe Park made the Dean's List for the winter term at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Elizabeth Anne Conger of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Stefan Bertrand Cross of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Claire Woods Cunningham of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Ryan Joseph Lenahan of Grosse Pointe Shores graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a bachelor of arts degree.

John George Lund earned degrees in political science and history from the University of Michigan. He is the son of John and Linda Lund and graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School. He is interning with the United States House of Representatives this summer before entering law school in the fall.

Hilary Melier was honored at Alma College's 11th Annual Kappa Honor Day. She graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School.

Anne Milazzo of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's list for the 2007 winter term at Johnson & Wales University. For this recognition students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 or higher. She is majoring in retail marketing and management.

Kelly Poletis was awarded a Dr. Stefan H. Koblijak premedical scholarship at Albion College. The junior is majoring in biology and minoring in management and psychology. She is the daughter of Bland and Teresa Poletis and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Katherine M. Schervish was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2006 semester at Grand Valley State University. The psychology major is seeking special education certification and is a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Katharine Van de Putte received a President Bernard T. Lomas project 250 award. The sophomore is majoring in English. She is the daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth Van de Putte and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Jordan Winfield of Grosse Pointe City graduated from Hope College with a degree in international studies. He is the son of Dr. Raymond and Connie Winfield.

Alesia Marie Wason of Grosse Pointe Woods received her juris doctor degree from Michigan State University College of Law.

Callie A. Blatt of Grosse Pointe Farms was on the Dean's list at DePaul University for her accomplishments during the 2007 winter term.

Jennifer Anne Hutchinson of Grosse Pointe Farms received her Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Spanish from DePauw University.

Carly McCoy Czajka of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

Gray John David of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Michigan State University.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Guitar tournament

"Guitar Hero Tournament" will be held for children ages 11 to 17 beginning at 10 a.m. Friday, July 13, at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church. There will be a prize for each age group and the entry fee is \$5. Entry deadline is Monday, July 9. Entry fee, the player's name and age should be addressed to Alison Scarfone, youth director, Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. For more information, visit the church's Web site at gpcong.org.

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DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

Saving pollinators will help entire food supply



There's much talk of the waning bee population throughout the world. Known as Colony Collapse Disorder, this problem is wiping out hundreds of thousands of honeybee hives across the continent. And scientists still have not reached a conclusion as to why the problem.

The European honeybee is our most important pollinator. Nearly 80 percent of our world's crop plants require pollination, virtually one out of three that we eat. Birds, bees, butterflies, but also beetles, mosquitoes and even bats transfer pollen between seed plants, providing this vital function for plant reproduction. This information comes from the Pollinator Partnership which hosted the first International Pollinator Week, June 24 to 30. Visit

pollinator.org for lots of information about pollinators' including pollinator friendly meal ideas.

The question stumping researchers is the reason why honeybees are disappearing throughout the world.

These researchers are studying the native pollen or wild bees that do not make honey. Some 4,000 species of these are found in North America. Known as bumble, carpenter, leafcutter, hornfaced, digger, polyester, sweat and shaggy fuzzy-foot, some of these funny sounding bees are 50 to 100 times more efficient at pollinating certain plants than honeybees. They will also work in cold and rainy weather.

Pollination occurs when pollen is moved within flowers or carried from one flower to another of the same species by birds, bees, bats, butterflies, moths, beetles, animals or by the wind. This transfer leads to fertilization and successful seed and fruit production. Pollination ensures that a plant will produce full-bodied fruit and a complete set of fertile

seeds, capable of germinating.

Without pollinators, humans and ecosystems cannot survive. Due to biodiversity threats such as land development, pollution and pesticide poisoning, we are losing pollinators around the world at an alarming rate.

How can you help?

Grow a wide variety of flowering plants that bloom all through the season, with an emphasis on old-time and heirloom plants which are often richer in pollen and nectar than modern hybrid plants.

Trumpet or cup-shaped flowers attract hummingbirds, butterflies, moths, bumblebees, carpenter bees and other creatures with long tongues. These plants include lily, cardinal flower, native red trumpet honeysuckle, bee balm, trumpet vine, abelia, beauty bush, scarlet salvia, blue salvia, flowering tobacco, primrose, evening primrose, weigela, lily of the valley, single petunia, morning glory, nasturtium, snapdragon, foxglove, fuchsia, pineapple and common sages, impatiens, poppies, red clover, scarlet runner bean, sweet peas, and

squash. In fact, any trumpet-shaped flowers that are red, orange or hot pink and, of course, high in nectar, will attract hummingbirds.

Honeybees have somewhat shorter tongues than bumblebees. Even so, they can work a variety of the above flowers and, like butterflies and moths, also feed on tightly packed clusters of tiny flowers. Such shallow blossoms also provide easier access to the short tongues of the smaller native bees, wasps, beetles, blowflies and hoverflies (wasp and bee mimics). These plants include butterfly weed and other milkweeds, abelia, butterfly bush, joe-pye weed, sweet William, lantana, lilac, viper's bugloss, hawthorn, hydrangea, spirea, goldenrod, phlox, heliotrope, pentas, sweet alyssum, yarrow, dandelion, staghorn sumac, thymes, mints, oreganos and white clover.

Other favorites include clematis, purple and yellow coneflowers, coreopsis, aster, zinnia, hollyhock, calendula, native sunflower, Mexican sunflower, cornflower, gaillardia,

daisies (gloriosa, painted, Shasta, ox-eye), blackberry, chrysanthemums, old-fashioned roses, tomato, eggplant and strawberry.

Trees and shrubs that provide pollen and/or nectar early in the season for butterflies, bees, wasps, moths and other insect pollinators include tulip poplar, dogwood, cherry, plum, pear and other fruit trees, blueberry, barberry, Andromeda, azalea, mountain laurel, boxwood, holly, viburnum, Daphne, witch hazel, red maple and willow.

Besides what you grow, consider providing housing for these creatures to help reverse this problem.

An article in "The Avant Gardener" explains that about 30 percent of native bees make their nests above ground such as in woodpecker holes, beetle burrows in dead branches or in the heavier stems of some shrubs and perennials. The other 70 percent are ground nesters which burrow 6 to 36 inches into the ground.

Special housing for many wild bees is easy to provide.

Simply tie bundles of paper straws or hollow reeds together and suspend them horizontally five feet or so above the ground in a spot shaded from the hottest sun. Or drill 1/4-inch holes 6 to 8 inches deep in dead branches, stumps, posts or soft wood blocks.

Another way is to let a faucet drip to create a puddle to supply both drinking water and mud for bees such as the mason bee that builds its nests of mud.

Don't want to get stung? Remember that solitary bees are gentle and very reluctant to sting. Bumblebees are not aggressive unless they are harassed. The only time I've been stung is when I stepped on a bee — and that was my fault!

Combining flowers, herbs, and vegetables in one garden will attract all sorts of beneficial insects, including some that may be disappearing. Kathleen Peabody is a Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. E-mail her at kpeabody@grossepointe-news.com.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Baked beans are a staple of summer menus



stove top, then gave them a quick finish under the broiler.

Quick Northern Baked Beans

1 to 2 tablespoons olive oil
1 onion, chopped (1 to 1 1/2 cups)
4 garlic cloves, finely chopped
4 15-oz. cans northern beans, drained and thoroughly rinsed
1/2 cup creme fraiche (or



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White bean casserole

sour cream)
1 1/2 teaspoons dried thyme, divided

2/3 cup shredded extra sharp cheddar cheese
2/3 cups panko (Japanese bread crumbs)

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the onion and cook and stir until the onion becomes tender, 7 minutes or so. Add the garlic and cook for another minute. Add the beans, the creme fraiche and 1 teaspoon of the thyme.

Cook and stir until heated throughout. Meanwhile in a small bowl

combine the shredded cheddar with the bread crumbs and the remaining 1/2 teaspoon of thyme. Preheat the oven to high broil. Turn the bean mixture into a 2- to 2-1/2 quart shallow, greased baking dish. Scatter the cheddar crumb mix over the beans and place in the middle of the oven. Cook under the broiler for a few minutes until the topping becomes golden brown.

These easy beans make a nice side dish for turkey burgers cooked over the grill.

The flavor of the beans stand on their own with a lighter texture than you expect from canned beans. If you have fresh thyme on hand, use that for sure and even double the amount. The yummy crunch topping is a bonus.

I found this idea in my British cooking magazine. The British know their beans. My tasty beans won't weigh you down and will make a mid-week dinner something out of the ordinary. Vegetarians should give this recipe a try.

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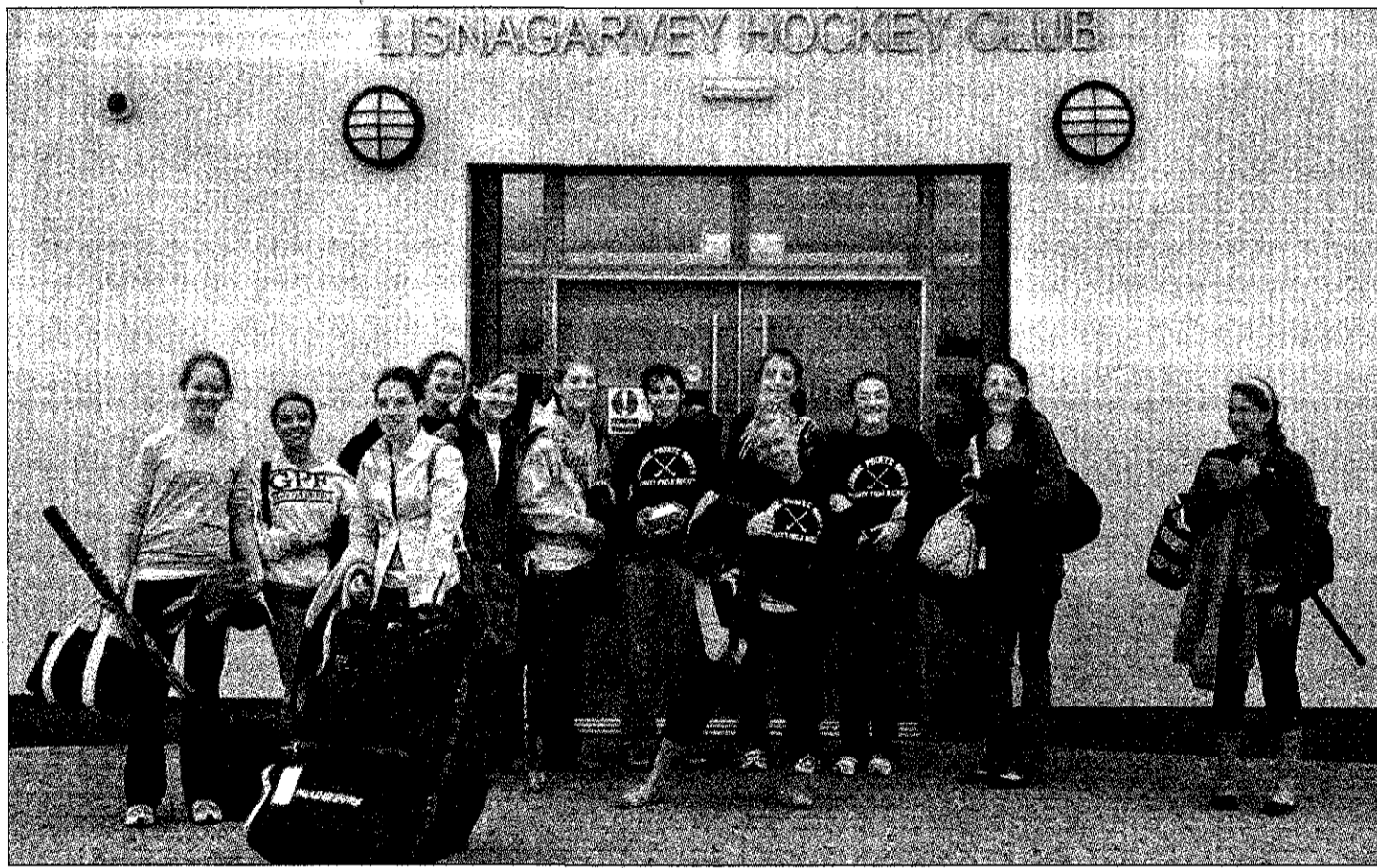
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SOUTH FIELD HOCKEY

Squad takes trip to Ireland



Grosse Pointe South's field hockey team visited Belfast Castle on its playing tour of Ireland. From left, are Karlee Humphrey, Sarah Gilbride, Julia Schneider, Lisa Martin, Hannah Doyle, Danika Stone, Whitney Miller, Kathryn Cumpata, Abigail Martin, Jaclyn Onstwedder, Maiya Dempsey and Julia Poirier. Not pictured is Katie McCarron.



South played at the famed Lisnagarvey Hockey Club in Northern Ireland.

Sightseeing, practice, play are highlights of the tour

Folks in many parts of the world don't think of ice when they hear the word "hockey."

What is called field hockey in the United States is simply hockey in many other countries.

In many countries, including Ireland, Australia and the Netherlands, it's one of the most popular sports for men and women.

Last spring, the Grosse Pointe South field hockey team got to experience the sport's international popularity on a tour of Ireland.

Coach Meg Lewis led the 13-player delegation from the Blue Devils varsity and junior varsity squads on a seven-day tour that included practicing, playing and sightseeing.

After an overnight flight to Dublin, the girls started their tour at University College of Dublin where they watched an exciting match between the national teams of Ireland and Italy. The Irish women won 3-2 on a penalty corner with no time remaining.

Then it was on to Hanna's Close in Killeel, just across the Northern Ireland border. Hanna's Close is one of the last Clachans (medieval-style villages) remaining in Ireland. The small group of thatched-roof cottages nestled at the foot of the Mountains of Mourne dates back to the 1600s. The Close site sits along a pristine river bank and is surrounded by stone walls and fields of grazing sheep. That picture perfect setting was the girls' home for five days.

The Lisnagarvey Hockey Club, located south of Belfast, provided South's squad with a world-class training and playing facility.

Lisnagarvey is one of the oldest hockey clubs in Ireland, dating back to 1901, and has a rich tradition of Irish Cup championships.

The club has seven men's teams, seven women's teams and several youth teams. The facilities include two water-base pitches (fields) and a state-of-the-art clubhouse. The pitches are watered to reduce drag on the ball and to speed up play.

David Williamson, goalie for the Lisnagarvey men's team, was the host and tour guide. He coaches several youth

teams and teaches at clinics throughout Europe and the United States. Williamson provided the girls with tips on the Irish style of play, which is fast paced and includes a lot of ball movement.

Mick McKinnon, coach of the Ireland girls under-18 national team, also conducted a training session with the girls to improve their conditioning, stickhandling and passing.

After training, it was game-time.

South's girls played three matches during the week, facing tough teams from Lisnagarvey, Lurgan and Armagh.

The Irish girls had just completed their season, which runs from September through March, so they were in shape to take on the Americans.

The Irish's aggressive offense kept the South defenders on their toes.

Julia Poirier and Julia Schneider did their best to protect goalkeeper Maiya Dempsey, who made several spectacular saves.

The defense fed the ball to midfielders Danika Stone, Karlee Humphrey, Jaclyn Onstwedder and Lisa Martin to start the South offensive attack. Forwards Kathryn Cumpata, Whitney Miller and Sarah Gilbride moved the ball well, but got off few shots against the smothering Irish defense.

Hanna Doyle, Abigail Martin and Katie McCarron rounded out the South squad.

The rest of the week was a fun-filled tour of cultural and scenic sites. Highlights included a high-speed boat ride to Rathlin Island in Scotland, exploring the unique rock formations of the Giant's Causeway, a visit to Belfast Castle and shopping on Dublin's Grafton Street.

"This trip exposed the team to an international style of play that will help them improve their game next season," Lewis said.

"Field hockey is a popular sport that offers a lot of opportunity for participation beyond the high school experience."

Lewis encouraged all Grosse Pointers to learn more about the sport by attending local clinics and camps for middle school and high school girls.

ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

Riverfest attracts teen sailors



Chances are if you know a teenage sailor in the Pointes, they may be involved with the Riverfest and Junior Olympic festival this weekend. What started as a local event just two years ago has grown to an international competition with organizers expecting up to 150 skippers to sail in five different classes of boats this weekend.

The event has designation as a Junior Olympic regatta from US Sailing, the governing body of the sport. Because of that, Riverfest has been nationally marketed and drawn competitors from all over the United States and Canada.

Included among them is Morgan Kiss, who sails out of Larchmont, New York. The teen recently won the Optimist World Team Trials in Miami and will compete on the USA

World Team in Cagliari, Italy. "She is truly one of the top girls in the world," said regatta chair Marc Hollerbach, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Other competitors are coming from Wisconsin, Chicago and the Toronto area. With sponsorship from Toyota, the Riverfest also has an educational section. Former Danish world team member and national team coach Kasper Paulsen will help all of the competitors, and debriefs each day will review tactics and rules.

For local sailors who can get a little bored racing against each other — many of us know how that goes — this event will provide some new competition.

"It's huge for them," Hollerbach said. "They're going to get to sail against the best kids in the Midwest. It's

going to expand their capabilities and their skill sets dramatically."

It's going to be busy out there on the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair this weekend. In addition to Riverfest, it's also the regional qualifier for the US Women's Sailing Championship with three Grosse Pointe skippers vying for the right to represent the area at the national championship.

Sisters Angela and Lara Scheibner, of Grosse Pointe, and Laurie Bunn, of Grosse Pointe Woods, will skipper teams.

In other racing, Charlie Trost, of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Christie Listwan, of Grosse Pointe Shores, are competing with some of the best young sailors in the country at the US Sailing Youth Championships at Southern

Yacht Club in New Orleans. They got some coaching in recent weeks from Grosse Pointe's Carrie Howe, a crew member of the leading U.S. Yngling team as the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, China approach.

Trost and Listwan were selected from about 275 applicants to compete in the event's 150 slots which has kids from 23 states and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club hosted the event last year after Southern hadn't recovered from Hurricane Katrina in time.

Racing continues through Thursday so we'll talk to those young sailors about their trip in next week's column.

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North's Ahee on East squad

Offensive guard Alex Ahee of Grosse Pointe North will be a member of the East team at the 27th annual Michigan High School All Star football game.

The game will be played Saturday, July 21 at Michigan State's Spartan Stadium. The kickoff is scheduled for 2 p.m.

Ahee received All-State honors after helping the Norsemen win the Macomb Area Conference White Division championship last fall. North also qualified for the state playoffs.

Ahee has signed a letter of intent to play for NCAA Division II powerhouse Grand Valley State University.

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Assumption Greek Orthodox Church won the Intermediate Division championship at the Orthodox Youth Athletic Association basketball tournament. In front, from left, are Jon Bills, Yianni Balasis, Nick Pavle, Ryan Krupka, James Bertakis and James Costa. In back, from left, are Father Michael Varlamos, coach Tony Niarhos, Nicko Varlamos, Jimmy Saros, Nick Bucca, Tom Stergiadis, coach John Costa, Paul Stergiadis and Ben Raptoulis.

Assumption wins division

The host team was the best team at the 40th annual Orthodox Youth Athletic Association basketball tournament at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores.

Assumption, which has several Grosse Pointers on the team, defeated St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church of Chicago 60-55 in the championship game for the Boys Intermediate (18 and under) Division.

It was the first Intermediate title for Assumption since 1994.

Especially gratifying to coaches Tony Niarhos and John Costa is the knowledge that this was a young team that took its lumps during the regular season, but improved steadily as the year progressed.

Assumption's fine perimeter shooting — 5-for-8 from three-point range — helped the host squad build an 18-13 lead after the first quarter. James Bertakis led the assault as he hit his first three shots, all from beyond the three-point line.

That forced St. Demetrios to abandon its zone defense, and the Chicago team went to a man-to-man to start the second quarter. All that did, was allow Assumption to employ its superior quickness for drives and post entries.

Although he's only 6-foot-1, Assumption center Jon Bills was able to have his way with St. Demetrios's post defense. Bills scored five points and, even more important, sent his 6-8 defender to the bench with three fouls.

Dribble penetration by Jimmy Saros led to seven points and aided in sending another taller opponent to the sidelines with his third foul. Assumption extended its lead

to 30-22 at halftime.

The lead grew to 13 before the Chicago team mounted a comeback.

Led by 12 points from its starting guards, St. Demetrios cut the margin to four points at the end of three quarters and to a single point with 5:35 to play.

Good ball control helped Assumption build the lead back to six points and it secured the win by hitting 12 of 14 free throws in the final quarter.

James Costa, who played outstanding defense throughout the tournament, scored all seven of his points in the fourth quarter and shot 5-for-7 from the line.

One of the major factors in the victory was Assumption's ability to control the boards. It rarely allowed its taller opponent any second-chance opportunities.

All 11 team members contributed throughout the tournament, playing excellent team defense and displaying fine character.

On the way to the championship game, Assumption beat St. Nectarios Greek of Plantine, Ill., 47-36 in the first round; defeated Chicago Greek League champion St. Demetrios Greek of Elmhurst, Ill., 66-55 in the quarterfinals; and beat defending Intermediate Division champion Chicago Holy Resurrection Serbian 56-42 in the semifinals.

All-tournament team selections from Assumption were Bertakis, who averaged 14.3 points-per-game and made 14 three-pointers; Bills, who averaged 13.8 and scored 19 in the final game; and most valuable player Saros, who had an 18.3 average and scored 22 points in the title contest.



Dome domination

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Breakers '93A girls under-14 team won the Dome Championship for their age group at the Liberty Park indoor soccer facility. The Breakers had a 7-0 record, including quality wins against Vardar East and the Gators. In the first indoor session they played up in a U-18 league and finished second out of seven high school teams. The only loss was 3-1 to a Royal Oak squad whose players were three or four years older than the Breakers girls. Standing, from left, are coach J.P. Laurenceau, Carrie Condino, Kelsey Jones, Nancy Blake, Joanna Manos, Natalie Sohn, Nora Beierwaltes and Ellie Farber. Kneeling, from left, are Maggie Clevenger, Emily Flom, Sarah Ventimiglia, Kylie Barrett and Shelby Stone. In front are Chloe Jacob, left, and Kylie Huitsing.



Three Grosse Pointe South basketball players were named to the all-Macomb Area Conference White Division first team. From left, are Jimmy Saros, coach Jay Ritchie, P.T. Shirar and J.C. Cruse.

South places trio on all-MAC team

Grosse Pointe South's best record in nine seasons brought postseason honors to three members of the boys basketball team.

Senior J.C. Cruse and juniors Jimmy Saros and P.T. Shirar, who led the Blue Devils to a 15-6 regular-season mark, were named to the all-Macomb Area Conference White Division first team.

Cruse, the only senior on the South squad, earned high praise from coach Jay Ritchie.

A three-year starter, Cruse led the Blue Devils in scoring, rebounding and assists. He was selected as the team's most valuable player for two straight seasons.

"He was a pleasure to coach and a great player for Grosse Pointe South," Ritchie said at the team banquet.

"I truly believe he'll be even better at the next level. Even though he's our only senior,

he'll be missed dearly next year."

Ritchie said that Cruse and Saros were the two best defensive players in the league and "maybe the whole state."

"Saros is the most relentless defender I've ever coached. He played against the opposing team's No. 1 player every game, whether that player was 6-9 or 5-8. He held Division I college prospect Jay Thames from Port Huron Northern to five points and two points in the two contests they played."

Thames averaged 23 points-per-game. No player scored in double figures with Saros guarding him.

Shirar was a pleasant surprise in his first full varsity season.

The 6-foot-5, 290-pounder is a force inside, who virtually overpowered opposing centers.



Third fastest

Grosse Pointe South's 4x400-meter relay team ran the third fastest time in school history at the girls state Division I track and field championships at East Kentwood High School. From left, are Kathleen Nelson, Larissa Petrovic, Christine Nelson and Sam Mackenzie. The team ran a 4:08 to shave six seconds off its state qualifying time from the regional meet.

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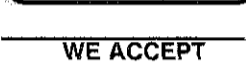
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