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◆ AAUW-GP used book sale runs from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 21**

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School's homecoming parade begins at 5:30 p.m. moving from Monteith Elementary to the high school.

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School homecoming pep rally will be from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the gym.

◆ AAUW-GP used book sale runs from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza. It will also run from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Sept. 22.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 22**

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School homecoming dance is from 7 to 10 p.m. in the high school.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 23**

◆ The Metro Beach In-Water Boat Show, through Sunday, Sept. 23, features nearly 1,000 boats, power and sail.

**MONDAY, SEPT. 24**

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library board of trustees meets at 7 p.m. in the Ewald branch library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. The agenda is available on the library's Web site [gp.lib.mi.us](http://gp.lib.mi.us), and is posted in the libraries. The board packet is available for review at each library by the Friday prior to the meeting.

◆ The City of Grosse Pointe Park council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

◆ Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe South High School library.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 27**

◆ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts a meeting with the topic "U.S. Immigration Policy for the 21st century," at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Immigration attorneys John E. English and Thomas A. Bassett will discuss facets of the immigration issue. The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is a co-sponsor.

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**ST. JOHN HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER**

## Van Elslander Pavilion

**\$163 million expansion part of goal to create regional destination center**

By Kathy Ryan  
 Staff Writer

It isn't often a building can upstage physicians and corporate leaders, but that's what the new Van Elslander Pavilion at St. John Hospital and Medical Center did at the Donor

Preview Sunday night. The pavilion, scheduled to officially open Sept. 24, will become the main entrance for the hospital.

But that is just one component of the \$163 million expansion program planned for the hospital. The W. Warren

Shelden Heart and Circulatory Center and the Diagnostic Imaging Department are now open for business and 144 private patient rooms are scheduled to open in 2008.

According to St. John's President and CEO, David B. Stephens, the goal is to make

the hospital a regional destination medical center. The pavilion is a major step in that direction.

"Studies have shown that patients want private rooms," he explained. "Our goal is to attract patients with not only outstanding staff, but facilities as

well. They also want convenience and amenities, and we have incorporated many of not only their requests, but physicians' requests as well, into the facility."

If the reaction from guests at

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Grosse Pointe Run — and fun

Runners from the Grosse Pointes and around the metro area pounded the pavement Saturday, Sept. 15, during the 28th annual Grosse Pointe Run sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary. Though the morning was crisp, the sun was out, and the 5K and 10K runners were able to hit stride without creating too much of a sweat. Later, when the diehard runners were done, the Family Center sponsored a 1 mile leisurely one mile walk, run or stroll along Lake St. Clair under sunny skies in the Farms Pier Park. A moonwalk and timed foot races for kids and other family activities were also a part of the morning. For more photos, see page 11A.

**LANSING**

## State weighs taxes

**Gaffney votes 'No' on tax increases**

By John Lundberg  
 Staff Writer

Contrary to Web rumors and Internet blogs, State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, has not voted for or abstained from state House proposals to increase the state income tax or any new service fee tax.

"I have been following the lead of the Republican leadership (which has opposed tax increase)," Gaffney said Tuesday. "There is also a (rumor) out there that the governor has offered me a judgeship in return for my vote. That's totally ridiculous."

Efforts to resolve the state's budget crisis has fallen along partisan lines in Lansing. Congressional Democrats, with the support of Gov. Jennifer Granholm, have proposed increasing the state income tax for some residents to 4.6 percent. There has also been talk of raising the sales

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## Fore!

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan raised just shy of \$50,000 at its annual Holden Golf Outing Monday at the Country Club of Detroit. At the event, from left, were Jim Randels, Holden Club director; WJR Radio stocks reporter Ron Humenny, emcee of the closing ceremonies; and Nick R. Papadas, vice president of development for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan. See story and photos on page 12A.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

**POINTER OF INTEREST**

*'I'm thrilled that other people appreciate my efforts and perhaps see a new vision of life.'*

## Dorothea Krieg

**Home:** City of Grosse Pointe  
**Family:** Husband, William  
**Claim to fame:** Award-winning artist  
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## 2A | NEWS

## Yesterday's headlines

1957

50 years ago this week

◆ **GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS SELECTS 76 NEW EMPLOYEES:** Out of a pool of nearly 3,000 applicants, the Grosse Pointe school system selected 76 new employees to help manage the ever increasing enrollment in the district's schools.

Forty seven of the newcomers are women and 29 are men. They came from all across the country to work for the school district.

An extensive orientation program has been prepared to acclimate the new employees with the district.

◆ **TEENAGE GIRL THREATENS PARK OFFICER:** A 16-year-old East Detroit female who threatened a Grosse Pointe Park police officer with a knife was disarmed and arrested.

Police first observed the youth walking down Jefferson with a knife in her hand. When she was ordered to stop, she fled to the parking lot of a nearby school. There she threatened officers with the knife, but was finally subdued when a policeman wrestled the knife out of her hand.

The youth was later sent to the Juvenile Detention Home.

◆ **BROWNELL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TAKING SHAPE:** Less than a year from its scheduled opening, the foundation of Samuel Brownell Junior High School is in place.

Steel trusses for the school's gymnasium have been erected on Chalfonte. The school is slated to be ready for occupancy by September, 1958.

appointed to the post by the Grosse Pointe Woods city council judicial review committee.

Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Judge Beverly Grobbel and former Harper Woods Municipal Judge Robert VanWiemersch have been serving as interim judges until a permanent replacement was found.

Denis was found dead in his chambers from a self-inflicted gunshot wound on Memorial Day.

◆ **PARK-ONLY DISTRICT COURT CONSIDERED:** State Sen. John Kelly introduced another bill to create a district court in Grosse Pointe. Only this time, the bill would place the court in Grosse Pointe Park.

Two earlier bills by Kelly to replace the Pointe's municipal court system were rejected by residents. His plan was to create one district court for all the Pointes with one judge presiding.

Grosse Pointe Park city council members have supported the concept of a district court in their city in the past.

◆ **JAWS' SAVE LIFE OF DETROIT YOUTH:** Grosse Pointe Park Fire Chief Philip Costa credited the Jaws of Life rescue equipment recently donated to the department in saving the life of a Detroit youth following a severe car accident at Mack and Whittier.

The equipment extracted the youth from the mangled vehicle. The 12-year-old had lead Detroit police on a high speed chase before the accident.

The youth suffered several broken bones and lost a kneecap in the wreck.



PHOTO BY FRED RUNNELLS

## 1957: We've got spirit; how about you?

St. Paul High School cheerleaders get ready for the season opener against Nativity High School on the Grosse Pointe High School gridiron this Saturday. From left are Julie Zemper, Sue Simmerer, Ellen Houlihan, Jeannie Cavanaugh, Captain Lucy Laquere, Dianne Delling, Marilyn Byrwa, Dianne Beaupre and Merrie Gay Touchton. (From the Sept. 19, 1957 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.)

this new pollutant is there seems to be a number of factors that cause the bacteria to proliferate near area beaches.

Several studies have pointed to excessive sewage discharge, water circulation and even bird droppings that cause the E-coli levels to increase.

◆ **NEFF PARK RESTORATION UNDER WAY:** A landscaping scheme has been formulated by City of Grosse Pointe officials to restore Neff Park which suffered heavy damage during a storm in July.

Officials said about 25 landscaping issues and other minor construction projects have to be addressed.

Repairs have already been completed on the pool roof and brick gable that supports

the structure. The pool door has been replaced in addition to various bulletin boards destroyed by the storm.

◆ **LOUD PARTY LEADS TO ARRESTS:** Several youths were arrested for possession of illegal drugs following a police response to several complaints of a loud party in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Police secured a search warrant after they became suspicious that illegal activity was occurring in the house. Police arrested seven suspects after a search revealed they were in possession of marijuana. A machete was also found on one of the suspects.

2002

5 years ago this week

◆ **JUMPS DELAYS LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST:** The owners of Jumps restaurant on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms delayed its request for a Class C liquor license because it does not have a formal lease to expand the restaurant.

The Farms city council was also wary of the plan because of parking concerns.

◆ **STUDENT ENROLLMENT UP:** All Grosse Pointe school system teachers have

been called back on the job because of increased school enrollment.

Nearly 9,000 students showed up for class at the start of the school year, an increase of 70 over last year. Grosse Pointe North High School saw an increase of 42 students and Grosse Pointe South High School had a six student increase.

Thirty-six more students enrolled in the middle schools, with Brownell seeing the largest increase.

The increase offset the decrease of 59 students from the system's elementary school.

—By John Lundberg

1982

25 years ago this week

◆ **SCHNEIDER APPOINTED WOODS-SHORES JUDGE:** To fill the municipal court judgeship vacant since the suicide of Judge J. Patrick Denis, Patricia Schneider was

1997

10 years ago this week

◆ **POLLUTION PLAGUES PIER PARK:** Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms continues to be plagued with pollution issues that have forced its closure several times over the last five years.

Due to excessive E-coli levels, a bacteria strain, the beach was closed once again recently. But the trouble with

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## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Know how to sell yourself

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

A set of back-to-back workshops for those going through a career change or looking for employment are being offered by the Grosse Pointe Public Library in collaboration with Wayne County Community College District.

"Writing an Effective Resume" workshops focus on resume writing. They will be held Tuesday, Sept. 25, at two different times and locations — from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Ewald branch, 15175 Jefferson, and from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Woods branch, 20600 Mack.

The second will consist of reviewing the participant's resumes and discussion of job search strategies and the hiring process. It will be held Tuesday, Oct. 9, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Ewald branch and from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

at the Woods branch.

The workshops will be facilitated by Patrick J. Murray, who works with Wayne County Community College District to develop programs. He has recently worked with area high schools and community colleges to increase student success in college and the job market. He has more than 30 years management experience.

During the workshop, Murray will provide insight into the potential employer's thought process.

"It's important for job hunters to understand the hiring process," Murray said. "For the job hunter, finding a job is the most important thing in their life, but for the employer, they're busy doing other things."

According to Murray, most employers receive between 100 and 200 resumes for every job posted.

It is important for job seek-

ers to know how their resume is going to be used by the employer, he said.

"That's why you got to impress them right away," Murray said. "The resume is a critical point in the screening process."

"When an employer looks at your resume, the first thing you want them to think is, 'Wow, this person has just what I want.'"

During the workshop, Murray will help job hunters make their resumes a selling tool through effective writing and good design.

"I believe good writing is rewriting," he said.

Each workshop is limited to 10 people with a Grosse Pointe Public Library card.

Registration is required and can be made through the library's online program calendar [gp.lib.mi.us](http://gp.lib.mi.us). For assistance in registering, call the Central branch at (313) 343-2074.

## GAFFNEY: Doesn't want state hurt

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tax to 7 percent, along with other service fee tax increases.

Republicans have held steady that the state government should dramatically cut spending to offset the estimated \$1.7 billion deficit.

The fiscal year ends Oct. 1 and, if a deal cannot be reached, a shutdown of some government services might occur.

"There has been some talk that (state Senate Majority Leader Mike) Bishop is considering a compromise," Gaffney said. "I don't want the

state to shut down. That would reflect poorly on us."

The state House held votes on its plan over the past week-end. Gaffney said his vote was consistently "No," but speculated that the rumors of him abstaining could be traced to when he went home at midnight Saturday "to get some sleep," and didn't return until 8 a.m. the next morning.

In addition to the rumors, Gaffney has been hounded by threats of a recall by the Michigan Taxpayers Alliance if he votes for a tax increase.

Nine lawmakers, both Republican and Democrat, have been targeted by the group. The alliance is headed by Leon Drolet, a former state representative from Macomb County.

Gaffney has said in the past that he will not be influenced

by threats of a recall, especially those coming from outside his own district.

The state has been in the red for several months now. Granholm proposed a 2 percent service tax increase in her State of the State address last February. Her proposal failed to even win support from congressional Democrats.

On Monday, the Republican-controlled Senate approved a temporary budget extension that would allow the government to continue to function beyond Oct. 1 if a deal isn't reached.

Drawn over strict partisan lines, every Democrat voted against it, the extension has to receive Democrat-controlled House approval before it is sent to Granholm, who has said she will veto it.

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The Van Elslander family, above, made the lead gift in the hospital expansion campaign. The new patient tower is named after the family.

## ST. JOHN: Important to give back

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Sunday night's gala is any indication, the hospital has met its goals.

"This is such an exciting event," said Mary Ann Van Elslander, whose family's foundation contributed the lead gift to the project.

"God has been so good to us, and it is important for us to give back. This hospital means so much to so many people, and this building is absolutely beautiful," she said.

Visitors were struck by the non-hospital feel of the new front entrance which features a large covered arrival area and easy access to parking. Upon entering, the three-story glass atrium allows natural light to flood the lobby and waiting areas, providing an open and welcome feeling to patients and their families.

Nearly an entire floor of the new pavilion will be taken up by the W. Warren Shelden Heart and Circulatory Center. Featuring 30 individual waiting rooms, the center allows the hospital to consolidate its cardiovascular services.

The new Diagnostic Imaging Center boasts updated digital imaging equipment, as well as two 64-slice CT scanners and a 16-slice scanner. Another 64-slice scanner will be located in the new emergency room currently under construction.

The new area also consolidates the ultrasound, vascular lab and nuclear medicine departments.

The Van Elslander Pavilion is part of the largest expansion program in St. John's 54-year history.

A Capital Campaign Steering Committee, chaired by Grosse Pointe Farms resident James B. Nicholson, raised \$30 million and hopes to raise another \$2 million by

June, 2008.

"We are deeply grateful to everyone who helped make this extraordinary facility a reality," Nicholson said. "It was an enormous effort and the support of our community was remarkable."

In addition to the Van Elslander Family Foundation, other donors recognized at the preview were the John A. and Marlene L. Boil Foundation, the Shelden family, the Manoogian Foundation, Anthony L. Soave and family, Gretchen C. Valade and Jane and Robert Nugent, as well as the Kresge Foundation, Emergency Medicine Specialists and the St. John Hospital Guild.



Contributors Robert and Jane Nugent, right, stand with Jim Nicholson, chairman of the St. John Capital Campaign Steering Committee.

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# City gets break on insurance bids

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Heeding the warning to read the fine print, the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council voted to stay with its current insurance carrier, Municipal Insurance Alliance, after several council members expressed concern that some coverage might be lacking in the competitor's proposal.

Three agencies submitted bids to the city's insurance committee, including Travelers/St. Paul, Trident/Argonaut and Alliance. Travelers/St. Paul was elimi-

nated early and the committee recommended Trident/Argonaut for approval.

However, following presentations by representatives from Alliance and Trident, the council voted to continue using Alliance at an annual premium of \$165,785. This price represents a \$30,000 reduction from last year's premiums.

The new policy takes effect Oct. 1.

While the bid from Trident was \$160,269, council members were not convinced that the policy included coverage for inverse condemnation, and verbal assurances from the

Trident representative did little to assure them.

Inverse condemnation is a legal term referring to actions by a city, commonly done through rezoning, that effectively makes a piece of property useless to its owner.

"I'm not comfortable with the Trident package," said Councilman Vicki Granger. "We don't have a copy of the contract, and while they have some clients in the state, it is a very small number. My concern is that we have current litigation and I don't know if it is in the best interests of the city to change carriers at this

time."

Councilman Al Dickenson agreed.

"We know the package we're getting with Alliance," he said. "There are uncertainties with Trident, and I'm not sure it makes sense to save \$5,000 for a proposal that is not 100 percent assured."

City attorney Charles Berschback said the question of coverage for inverse condemnation is an important one.

"Though it is not an issue that a city like Grosse Pointe

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## 4A | NEWS

## POINTER OF INTEREST

**Dorothea Krieg** has spent a good portion of her life balancing a family and her passion for art. For her, it was time that couldn't have been better spent.

# Fusion of fine art, high design

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

There are some who don't fall into their calling until later in life. But for local artist Dorothea Krieg, her passion for drawing began at a very young age.

"I have always loved art," she said. "Even as a kid I would draw pictures while listening to the radio, drawing the images (I imagined)."

That passion has hardly tempered over the years. Krieg has been a fixture in the southeastern Michigan artist's community for decades. She has won many awards for her work, which varies from abstract to realism.

And it has also garnered praise from some august company.

"The best of Dorothea's art the power inherent in the fusion of fine art and high design," said noted art critic John Dempsey.

"At their best, these prints are a lively dance of rich, saturated color and organic forms delivered in a handsome design."

It's such praise that gives Krieg a content satisfaction that her talent has not gone unnoticed.

"I'm both amazed and happy with the compliments (I've received)," she said. "I'm thrilled that other people appreciate my efforts and perhaps see a new vision of life."

But Krieg's life has not been confined to the art studio. She received her bachelor's degree in history and education from Marygrove College and taught first grade in the Detroit Public School system for two years.

She married her husband, Bill, while he was serving in the Air Force in France during the Korean War.

There they had their first child, Charles, and continued living there until Bill was discharged after his term of service ended.

They returned to Detroit and moved to St. Louis where Bill finished his master's degree in orthodontics.

They later came back to Detroit where Bill established a successful practice in St. Clair Shores.



PHOTOS BY JOHN LUNDBERG

Dorothea Krieg's home in the City of Grosse Pointe displays a wealth of her art. By creating her own color palette, the art takes on a distinctly personal feel.

"All the while having a family of five children," she said with a laugh in her voice.

But art was never far from her heart.

Krieg immersed herself in the local art scene and continued to hone her craft. She took classes at Wayne State University and another year at the Windsor Print forum.

"I was busy taking advantage of all the really wonderful art classes and support offered by the Grosse Pointe art community," she said. "I soon

set up a private studio at my home to pursue my craft in print making."

She specializes in print and uses a linoleum cut matrix to produce her work. Krieg mixes

her own paints to produce a wonderfully personal palette.

"It's kind of fun to make it all on my own," she said.

But it was the support of Bill and their children that allowed her art to flourish, something that Krieg doesn't underestimate.

"Bill helped me design the studio and to this day is my mat cutter and framer of all of my prints," she said. "It's great to have someone who is a dentist who is great with his hands."

"He says it's his job to make the mats while I fill in the blanks."

While Krieg finds her inspiration in myriad locales and landscapes, the final product can take weeks from start to finish.

But it is a labor of love that she relishes.

"I find inspiration in everything," she said.

"I just don't sit down and make a picture."

"I'll clip out color scheme sketch designs and save them to replicate them in my color palette."

Krieg has had several solo art shows and her awards are too numerous to itemize. But suffice it to say, her work has received region-wide attention and praise.

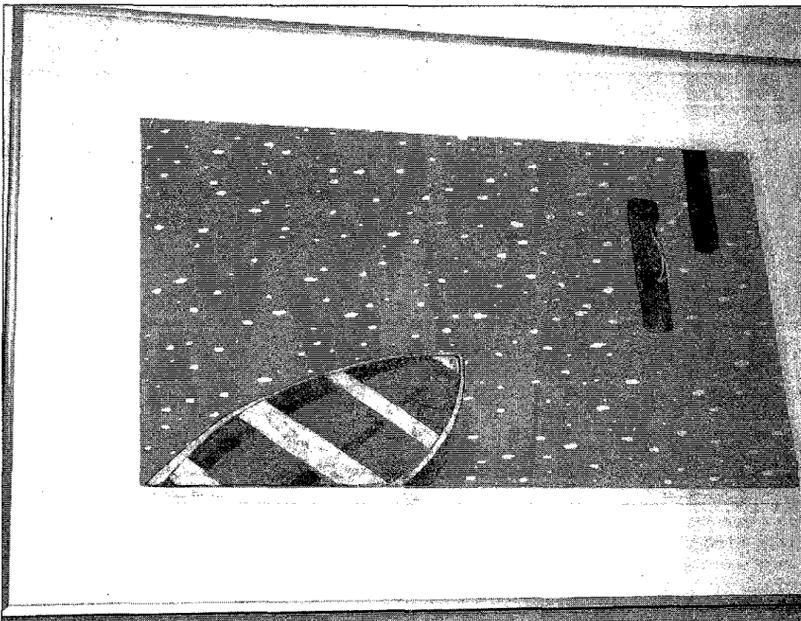
"I try to synthesize a person, place or thing and take it in a new direction," she said. "I try to do things that are beautiful and take that expression (another way)."

Many of Krieg's works adorn the homes of her friends and admirers. She freely shares her work because it "removes some of the ugliness of this world."

Krieg's art is currently on display at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House until Sunday, Nov. 18.

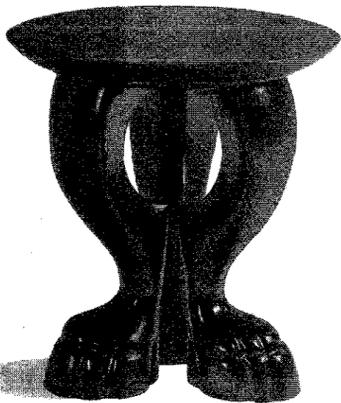
"I've been lucky to enjoy the company of the many men and women from this area who love and appreciate art," she said.

"It's always a challenge to find a new way to express an abstract or realistic idea and take it in a new direction."



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# Victory in the Pointes celebrates rivalry

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The North-South hype has begun.

Grosse Pointers will get a chance to participate in a multitude of activities the weekend of Oct. 4.

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the inaugural Victory in the Pointes, aimed at making this weekend a community-wide celebration of friendly rivalry.

Funds raised from a tailgate party planned from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at North will benefit North.

"Considering the needs of most school extracurricular activities and the chamber's healthy lifestyle public policy, we want North to be able to purchase all of the safety equipment athletes need," said chamber President Mary Huebner.

Partnering with the fundraiser is St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

The main event, Friday, Oct. 5, South at North varsity football, will be preceded by the "National Anthem" and "America the Beautiful" sung by elementary school choirs.

"We will have a tailgate party here on campus where people can sample foods provided by area restaurants," said North principal Tim Bearden.



"People can attend the tailgate party and walk into the game which starts at 7 p.m.

"The North-South game is big; so we anticipate a lot of

fans attending it."

Participating in the tailgate are the Lochmoor Club, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, The Hill Seafood and Chop House, City

Kitchen, Lucy's Tavern on the Hill, Big Boy restaurant, Chicken Shack and Just Delicious.

South principal Al Diver said

the annual tug of war between Grosse South and North students will be held, but no other special events are planned at the high school.

Rivalry weekend kicks off Thursday, Oct. 4, when the junior varsity football teams square off. Chamber members will sell spirit sticks, pop and water.

In addition to the JV gridiron game, residents are invited to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House Wine and Cheese Party that includes a strolling tour of the estate from 7 to 9 p.m.

Saturday activities around the Pointes begin at 10 a.m. at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and all Grosse Pointe libraries.

The War Memorial will host a flea market beginning at 10 a.m. rain or shine and the Woods library will sell gently used Halloween costumes Sunday, Oct. 7.

The Sterling of Grosse Pointe is featuring the work of artist Jane McFeely throughout the weekend and will host a Sunday brunch honoring her, featuring music by a Grosse Pointe Symphony Quintet at 1 p.m.

At noon on Saturday, the Grosse Pointe Theatre will hold an open house and The Hill Association has planned a sidewalk sale beginning at 8 a.m. on Friday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Mack businesses will also coordinate activities, as will those in the Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Saturday evening, a concert for high school students will take place in the Parcels Middle School auditorium.

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society is hosting a wine and cheese open house at The Great Frame Up, and Northern Trust Bank has partnered with Grosse Pointe Artists Association to host a VIP artists fundraiser that evening. Association Director Susan

MacDonald said a Grosse Pointe artists gallery exhibit featuring multiple pieces will also be on display.

In addition, artists will discuss their work at a fundraiser from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 5. The cost is \$50 per person and includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. RSVP to (313) 821-1848.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors has organized open houses at more than 200 homes for sale in the five Grosse Pointes from noon to 4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 7.

Public and independent schools, along with several waterfront community parks, will also be open for tours.

"Be sure to look for balloons with the victory logo to help you find everyone participating in weekend events," said Jenny Boettcher, chamber director of membership services.

Event programs, including game date, maps and coupons, will be for sale for \$2 each. For additional information, contact the chamber at (313) 881-4722.

Programs are also available at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, the Grosse Pointe Central Library and The Great Frame Up.

## G. P. PARK

# Salt bid OK'd

The Grosse Pointe Park city council unanimously approved Morton Salt Co. of Chicago to supply the city's road salt for the 2007/2008 winter season.

The company was the lowest of three bidders, offering a fee of \$36.18 per ton.

— Beth Quinn



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## GROSSE POINTE PARK

# Fighting crime together

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

Thanks goes to all the Gladys Kravitz's in Grosse Pointe Park. Because of you and some good police work, burglaries in the Park have been declining over the last 20 years.

At the Sept. 10 city council meeting, Public Safety Deputy Director John Schulte reported there were 41 burglaries in 2006. While this indicates an increase from the 35 burglaries in 2005, it is a third less than the 1987 total of 123.

He also stated that there has been only one street robbery year-to-date for 2007 versus 12 in 2006.

Public Safety Director David Hiller attributes the decrease to a number of factors.

People are nowadays more cognizant of crime and what's happening in their neighborhoods, he said.

"I can't stress enough the importance and need for public awareness," Hiller said. "We want residents to call us if they see something unusual in their neighborhood. I would rather they err on the side of caution and not hesitate to call us."

"I've always said the Gladys Kravitz's of the neighborhood help us keep crime down," he joked.

"People no longer have the attitude, 'It can't happen to me,'" he said.

Residents are now more diligent and sophisticated about securing their homes, he said. They are locking doors and turning on outside lights at night. They are also using home alarm systems, putting lights on timers, and canceling mail and paper delivery while on vacation.

Another key factor is the higher visibility of the police in the Park, Hiller said.

Two important improvements the department has experienced since the 1980s is switching from two-men to one-man patrol cars and going from 8- to 12-hour shifts. These changes put more officers out on the street, Hiller said.

In addition to having more patrols, police presence became more noticeable when the department replaced its dark brown squad cars with more eye-catching white ones.

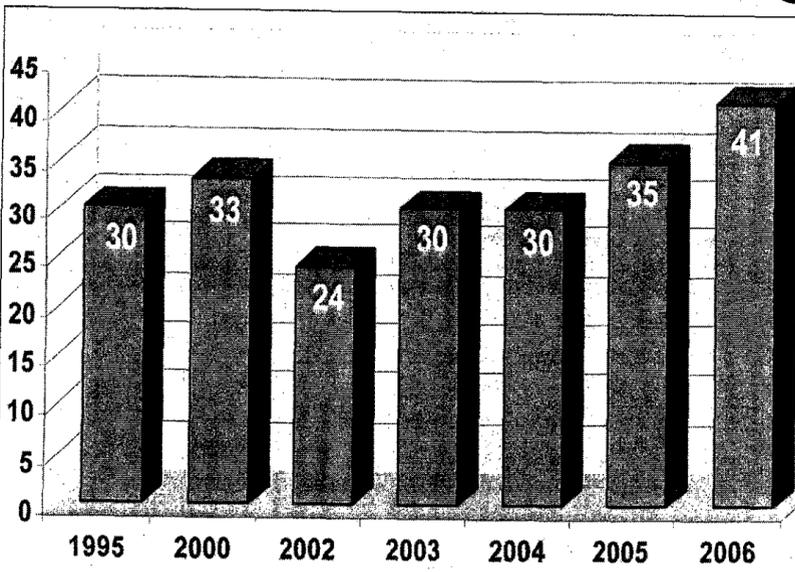
The number of police officers on patrol has increased since 1987 when the police and fire departments merged, said Park City Manager Dale Krajniak.

"The police department went from 36 to 44 officers," Krajniak said. "That's a 50 percent increase in patrolling officers."

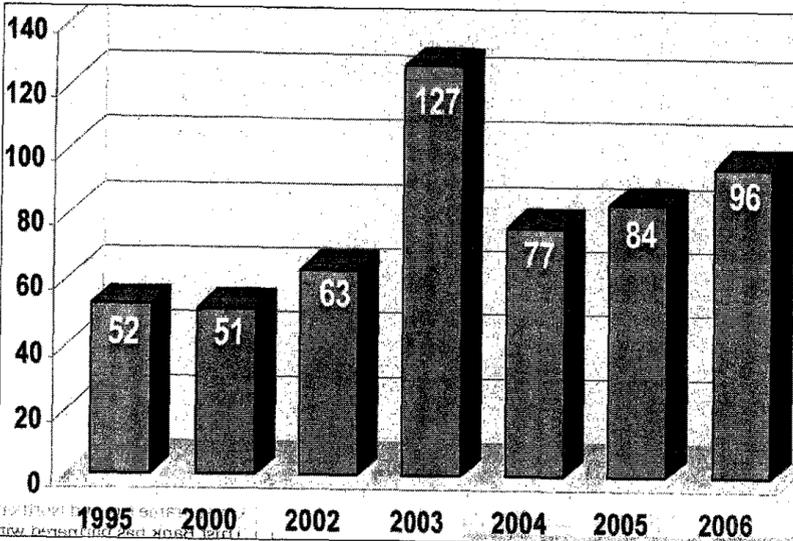
Krajniak also cited the effective work of police detectives in helping to solve crimes.

"Park detectives have one of the highest closure rates of crimes," Hiller said.

When a suspect is arrested, the detectives look into case logs to see if they can link the



These two graphs show the crime trend for burglaries, above, and motor vehicle thefts, below, over the last 11 years in Grosse Pointe Park.



accused to other unsolved crimes, he said.

"Many times we are able to bring closure to other crimes," Hiller said. "It means a lot to the victim and says we're following up on our cases. Also, word travels quick on the street."

Crime prevention has benefited from technological advances improving communications between the Park and police departments in neighboring jurisdictions, Hiller said.

The Park now has Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information Systems, a state-of-the-art computer technology commonly called CLEMIS in every police vehicle, Hiller said. It is a link that allows various agencies and jurisdictions to share criminal justice information.

The system facilitates instant exchange of police information between the five Grosse Pointes, St. Clair Shores, Harper Wood, and the east side of Detroit, Hiller said.

"While we have a suspect in a squad car, we can check with any police department that has CLEMIS to see if a similar crime just occurred," he said.

The Park saw a jump in the number of motor vehicles stolen in 2006. While 96 is considerably less than 127 in 2003, Hiller says his department is concerned about the increase since 2004 when the number was 77.

The police are starting to see a new trend in car thieves.

Rather than professional thieves stealing cars for profit as was the case 10 to 20 years ago, youths are now stealing cars for different reasons.

"The majority of stolen vehicles are not going to chop shops like they were a few years ago," Hiller said. "Kids are just stealing them for joy rides or to pick up girls."

He shared the story about a 15-year-old boy who stole a car during a cold winter day because his mother told him to get his hair cut.

"He said it was too cold to walk, so he stole a car," Hiller said.

The Park police are counteracting by changing their approach to car thefts. They have joined forces with the Wayne County Sheriff's Department and other east side of Detroit jurisdictions, such as the four

other Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods, to create the Arrest Car Thieves in Our Neighborhood (ACTON) team.

"The team is making a lot of arrests," Schulte said. "We're working with the judges and courts to redirect these youths. We need to do something with these juveniles."

Hiller recommends residents follow some common sense practices to prevent their cars from being stolen. People should park their cars in a

garage if they have one, lock doors and use car alarms.

"If you can delay it, you can deter it," Hiller said.

Now that the weather is getting cooler, he reminds residents to resist the temptation to let their car run unattended in the driveway to warm it up on cold mornings.

Last year, a gang from Detroit drove around Grosse Pointe at 7:30 a.m. looking to steal cars that were running and unattended, Hiller said.

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## Halloween costumes wanted

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"We are hoping while people are cleaning out their closets this fall or rummaging past costumes in preparation for this Halloween that they will find pieces they don't need and they will bring them in to us," said Lynne Severini, staff member at the Woods branch.

Severini contrived the idea for a costume sale while thinking about events the library could sponsor during the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's Victory in the Pointes celebration.

"I was thinking about how much Halloween costumes



PHOTO BY BETH QUINN

Shelby Winn, 12, and Kyle Stefek, 11, both of Grosse Pointe Woods, help staff member Lynne Severini, middle, model some Halloween costumes to be sold in a library fundraiser.

cost and how in these rough financial times that some families might not want to spend that much," Severini said.

She thought it would be great to help families find affordable costumes while rais-

ing money for the library. Most of the costumes will be sold for \$5 apiece.

The sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6, and from 1 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 7, at the Woods branch.

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### EDITORIAL

## Elections are gearing up

**T**he election season is heating up — not just for this November but also for next year. It looks like we have contests in the Farms, Woods and, possibly, in the City. The school board also has a lone challenger.

But those local municipal and school board elections look tame compared to next year's contest to replace lame duck state Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms.

Candidates are coming out of the woodwork to have a chance to fill Mr. Gaffney's 1st District seat, which he has held for three two-year terms and must vacate due to term limits.

According to a recent issue of Bill Ballenger's Inside Michigan Politics, the 1st District is now a 50/50, meaning it can go either Republican or Democrat. Some fear next year's race represents the last time a Republican will (or can) win the district.

The Republican base in the 1st District, according to Mr. Ballenger, fell 10 percent in just six years.

Besides the Grosse Pointes, the 1st District for state representative includes 11,000 residents in Harper Woods and 25,000 Detroiters. Black voters are assumed to be mostly Democrat, and Harper Woods is now reported to be half African-American, according to Mr. Ballenger.

Still, local Republicans think they can keep the seat Republican, at least this time around. The seat has been in GOP hands as far back as we can remember. Preceding Mr. Gaffney was Bill Bryant, who held the seat so long that he was a senior member of the Legislature and head of the House Education Committee, which came in handy when Proposal A was being hammered out in the early 1990s.

Republicans who have thrown their hats into the ring include:

◆ Mary Treder Lang of Grosse Pointe Farms, who is a CPA with Siemens Corp. and is slated to be the first female commodore of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

◆ Therese Joseph, a Grosse Pointe Farms councilwoman who is a top vote-getter and is active with the Eastside Republican Club and the Republican congressional district committee.

◆ John Stempfle, a Grosse Pointe City councilman who is also active in eastside Republican politics and whose wife, Mary Ellen, ran against Mr. Gaffney in 2002 and is a trustee for the Wayne County Community College District.

◆ Dan Grano, a Grosse Pointe Park councilman and son of Supreme Court Justice Maura Corrigan.

◆ Pete Waldmeir, legendary Detroit News columnist (now retired) and the top vote-getter on the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council.

For the Democrats, expect Wayne State University political science professor Tim Bledsoe to once again run for state representative. He came within 4 percent of beating Mr. Gaffney, the entrenched Republican incumbent.

As Mr. Ballenger pointed out, now more than ever there is a reason for serious Democratic candidates to run. The district is vulnerable.

It is further rumored that former state Sen. John Kelly, D-Grosse Pointe Woods, may decide to get back into politics. If he runs, it will be a popularity contest with the candidate with the most name recognition winning the day.

But that is next year.

Races this year include:

◆ School board incumbents Fred Minturn and Charles Sabino, who are being challenged by John Steininger of Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Farms incumbents Ms. Joseph, Joe Leonard and Doug Roby are being challenged by Greg J. Bourgoin, who is reported to be running on a public safety platform. Mayor James Farquhar is running unopposed.

◆ At least one challenger is expected to come forward against incumbent council members Mr. Stempfle, John Stevens and Richard Clarke. Mayor Dale Scraze and Judge Russell Ethridge may be unopposed. (The filing deadline for the City is not until Sept. 24.)

◆ A couple challengers in the Woods are set to go against incumbents Dona DeSantis-Reynolds, Lisa Pinkos Howle and Darryl Spicher in their first attempt at re-election. Challengers are Arthur Bryant, a member of the Woods Beautification Commission and the insurance committee, and former Councilman Joseph Sucher, who is a member of the planning commission.

As is our usual custom, the Grosse Pointe News will interview all candidates in races in which there are contests. As it looks now, we will be being meeting two-on-one (reporter, editor and candidate) with more than a dozen candidates over the next three weeks. We will run our candidate profiles and endorsements Oct. 18.

Also, per usual, we will not print letters to the editor about candidates, whether pro or con to prevent supporters (or detractors) from "stuffing" the letters box.

'Tis the season for politics.

### PHIL HANDS

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WHY JOBS ARE LEAVING THE STATE

## LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

### High school drug use

To the Editor:

The article, "Teen's heroin use shocks parents into reality," Aug. 9 Grosse Pointe News, from the parent whose child is addicted to heroin was a wake-up call for this community.

The drug usage among our youth in Grosse Pointe is much more serious than the supposed responsible adults will admit.

Parents choose not to notice behavioral changes. They want to think this reflects common adolescent behavior. They are either too much into these chemicals themselves, or in total denial.

One only has to check various Internet sites that are utilized daily to see huge evidence of drug and alcohol usage by youth in Grosse Pointe.

Work with students from both Grosse Pointe South High School and Grosse Pointe North High School and they will tell you that they attend classes daily with students who are high on various prescription pills, alcohol, marijuana and cocaine.

Officials at the high school speak of an alarming rate of usage, yet their hands are tied because decisions are made at the board level.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education turns a blind eye to this situation.

We pay taxes for a drug dog in the City of Grosse Pointe. Why is this dog not brought through the schools for random checks, as many other local schools are doing?

I inquired about this at the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department and was told the school board is not interested. School officials on the board level are either totally ignorant or they want to keep bad news out of the press.

Last year, a St. Clair Shores high school ran dogs through and found an alarming amount of drugs in backpacks, lockers and cars.

Do you really think our kids aren't involved in this behavior? How long are we going to live in this bubble and ignore this crisis among our youth?

A Grosse Pointe drug house was highly publicized in articles in the Detroit News and Grosse Pointe News, "Police bring down owner of drug house" (Jan. 25); yet we have seen no follow up.

Many local Grosse Pointe teens were seen entering and exiting this house for weeks, yet that was "buried" and we never heard another word.

I applaud the woman who wrote to the paper about her daughter. I truly hope she can help her out of the terrible plight of drug addiction. She demonstrated caring responsibility if she is willing to help others that she knows must be involved.

Grosse Pointe adults should follow suit; Grosse Pointe parents and the school board need to address this issue. Do not assume it is "the other guy."

NAME WITHHELD

### More mileage on Mack

To the Editor:

The old adage, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it" certainly applies to the Mack Avenue "remuddling."

Clearly the folks in charge of the project never heard this. I can only imagine what this repaving of Mack will do to the area. I do know that it takes me at least 0.4 miles more to drive each way to and from my home. This is an added cost of roughly \$80 per year in gas.

Where do I send the bill?

As far as I can tell, the only people happy with the mess are the gas station owners.

JULIE SCOTT

Grosse Pointe Woods

### Pet parade dismay

To the Editor:

My 10-year-old daughter and I, her father, attended the Grosse Pointe Village block party. My daughter, having a particular interest in the pet parade, brought two of her pets — her dog and her ball python.

As we were approaching the staging area for the parade, having already signed in earlier, a City of Grosse Pointe police officer asked if my daughter's pet python, which was draped over her shoulders, was a real snake. I replied in the affirmative, and he told me that I had to remove it immediately.

When, astonished, I asked why, he said it was a dog parade. Last time I checked, P-E-T spelled pet, not dog.

After pointing this out, he then said there was an ordinance against snakes in the City of Grosse Pointe. I asked

him what, specifically the ordinance said. He couldn't recite the wording of the ordinance, but told me it was against the law in the City to have "exotic" pets in public.

I find this curious, if true, as the snake was purchased at a pet store. I then asked if I would be arrested if my daughter participated in the pet parade with her pet snake. He said no, but that he'd issue a ticket, and he really didn't want to.

I asked what the cost of the ticket was, in order to do a cost/benefit analysis of my daughter getting to participate in the parade with her pet snake. As the officer did not know the cost of the ticket, and not wishing my daughter to see her father continue a conflict with a police officer when I'd rather she grew up to respect the police, I complied and put the pet snake away.

I went home, went online, and searched all the City ordinances. The word exotic appears only in reference to dancers, and the word "snake" only appears in reference to fireworks. Nowhere does it say snakes are illegal to have on the streets in the City, nor does it say exotic pets are illegal to have on the streets in the City.

The only section I could find that seemed somewhat applicable is: Sec. 10-4. Keeping domestic animals and fowl gener-

ally. Except as provided in this chapter, no person shall keep or house any animals or domestic fowl within the city except dogs, cats, birds, fowl or animals commonly classified as pets. (Code 1980, 9.84).

As this pet was purchased at a pet store, I can only conclude that it is, indeed, classified as a pet. I have a hard time believing local ordinances would prohibit them.

I guess it's nice the City law enforcement community has so completely eradicated crime that they have nothing better to do than to disappoint 10-year-old girls with made-up laws, and antagonize her father.

Next year, we will skip the whole thing. And remember, P-E-T spells pet, not dog.

TIM PROPHIT

City of Grosse Pointe

### Heavy backpacks cause harm

To the Editor:

Is it just me, or do other parents think their children's backpacks are heavier than a mountain climber's?

The school year has begun and after several days of craziness, the backpacks are again filled with new supplies, books, lunches and gym clothes.

The heaviest backpack at

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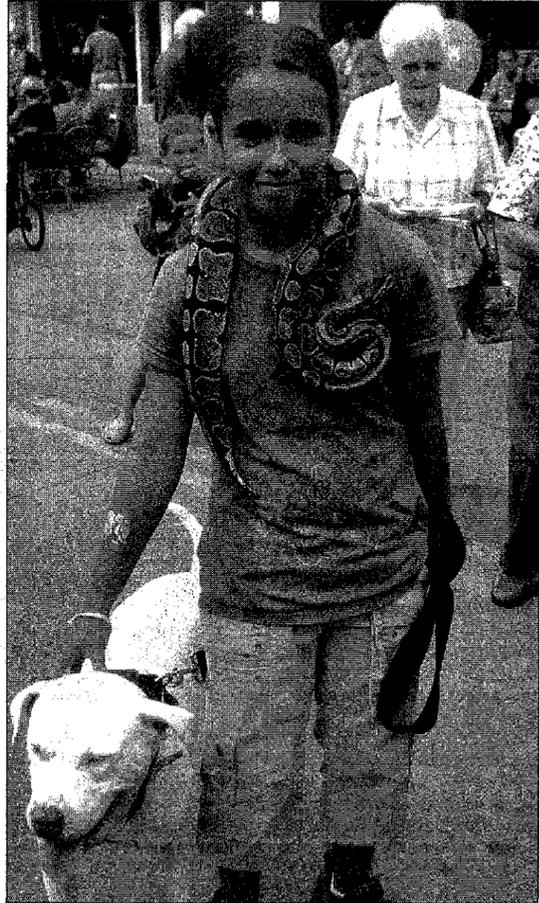
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Letter writer Tim Prophit says his 10-year-old daughter's pet snake was deemed not legal in the City of Grosse Pointe and not allowed in the recent pet parade.

I SAY By John Minnis

# September is the true beginning of year



September. Where has the summer gone? I've heard several people express the belief lately that September is more like the beginning of a new year than January. I agree.

My wife, Terry, first brought the September New Year phenomenon to my attention. I guess she is more attuned to these things.

The September New Year makes sense. Ever since we were kindergartners, the beginning of the school year was our true beginning of the year. Just like Monday is the first day of the week for grade-schoolers.

The beginning of school in September was an exciting — and dreaded — time. It was exciting in that it meant new

school clothes and seeing friends we hadn't seen in three months. Of course, sitting through boring classes and doing homework were the dreaded parts.

I grew up in the country, so when I say we hadn't seen or heard from school friends for three months, that is no exaggeration.

The nearest kids we knew lived several miles away. Once in a while we would walk or ride ponies to their house, but that wasn't often. (The kids' parents didn't care for what the ponies left behind.)

Town was five miles away, and since we were "country kids," we didn't socialize much with "town kids." We were envious of the town kids and they were envious of us.

We envied the town kids' opportunities to play organized sports or even pick-up baseball games. We had eight kids in our family, but only four or five of us were old enough to play ball. Our "teams" consisted of pitcher and fielder. The team at

bat did their own catching. Often, we would just play catch or hit out balls.

The town kids envied our horses and ponies and our ability to go for hikes to the woods anytime we wanted. In the summer, we would be gone for hours collecting berries. When we returned, we had more berries on our face and in our bellies than we did in our pants.

Of course, the town kids didn't envy our having to get up early every summer morning to water and feed the ponies and horses — as well as the pigs, cows, chickens and rabbits. That is not to mention cleaning the barn, which took all summer due to the winter accumulation.

We envied the town kids because, we assumed, all they had to do all summer was play, everyday, all day long.

During the summer, my dad, while eating breakfast, would write down a list of "chores" that we had to have completed by the time he got home from work. It never failed to amaze

us how it always seemed to take the entire day to complete the tasks.

But, I now realize, it was not nonstop work all day. Intermixed was baseball, riding, lollygagging and the myriad things young boys do.

We didn't watch much TV in those days. We only got the local stations via our attic antenna. We also got Channel 50 with Bill Kennedy's movies, which got us into hot water.

One fine summer afternoon, our dad got home from work early and caught us in the house watching TV. He didn't say a word. He went to the kitchen, returned with scissors and cut the power cord off the TV. (At least I thought it was the power cord. Maybe it was the antenna wire as sparks didn't fly.)

At any rate, our sole, black-and-white TV lay useless all that summer. Dad didn't fix it until after school started in September.

I think that was probably one of our best summers ever.

Rather than being couch potatoes, we were forced to get outside and do something — that is, when we had completed our chores. (This was before computers and video games.)

We hiked and built forts in the woods or in the hay mow. We camped out at night, watching a campfire in lieu of TV. We played cops and robbers and hide and seek.

We also climbed trees — and the barn rafters and on the roof. Over the years, I fell from a tree and broke my nose and from the barn roof and landed on my back on rabbit cages.

I was in terrible pain. All that particular summer, I could barely walk. Playing baseball or running was out of the question. True, I should have gone to the doctor, but that would have required telling Mom that I had been up on the barn roof and fell. That could be painful, too.

Consequently, I suffered in silence. By the time school rolled around in September, the fall was a distant memory. I was

as good as new. Kids sure do heal quickly. I'm afraid, however, that back injury will come back to haunt me as I grow older.

When school started, there were no supplies to buy in those days. Public schools were required to provide two pencils, a small package of loose-leaf paper and textbooks. After the initial allotment of paper and pencils ran out, we had to make do as we could.

The idea was that public schools are tax-supported and should not be an additional financial burden to parents, that students were on equal footing. Contrast that with today.

Parents nowadays are presented with a laundry list of items that must be provided — including, I'm told, Kleenex and wipes.

But that's for another column.

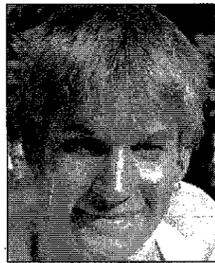
Yes, September is the beginning of a new year. (Does that mean a new round of resolutions?)

Happy New Year!

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## What do you think will happen with U-M football this year?

If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Editor's note: This week's question participants were runners in the Grosse Pointe Run on Saturday.



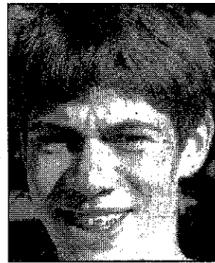
'They are going to lose to Michigan State.'

JOHN PODGORSKI  
Warren



'We are in for a long and tough season and they obviously have a lot of problems to fix.'

MATT POCKET  
Warren



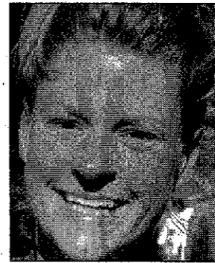
'Mallett is starting quarterback because Chad Henne is hurt. He will probably finish the rest of the season and they'll miss a bowl game by one.'

PHILLIP WALL  
Warren



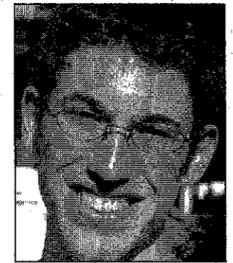
'Michigan's going to do badly all season and State will beat them this year.'

DOMENIC PICA  
Roseville



'They won't be smelling the roses this year.'

HEATHER POLLOCK  
Clinton Township



'I think they will do better as the season goes on as long as they don't have any major injuries.'

CHRIS TREPANIER  
Warren

FYI By Ben Burns

## Poet will help you 'Let the Dogs Out'



If you have always dreamed of writing poetry and have been scribbling away in secret, you now have a chance to work with poet Robert Fanning in a six-week set of Saturday morning sessions.

Labeled "The Doghouse Poetry Series," the 10 a.m. to noon classes at the Marick Press House, 15120 Kercheval near Maryland in the Park, cost \$60 each or \$240 for all six.

The sessions sound fascinating: "Welcome to the Doghouse"; "Through the Eye"; "Hammer, Anvil, Stirrup, Soul"; "The Shape of the Vessel"; "Speaker of the House" and "Who Let the Dogs Out."

Budding poets will close-read poetry and learn to identify basic elements of the craft, such as imagery, metaphor, form, subject and diction, according to Fanning, a Ferndale resident. Folks who sign up for all six sessions will get individual discussion of their work.

Fanning, a University of Michigan and Sarah Lawrence College graduate, has won a number of awards and has published two books of poetry and had his poems appear in a number of poetry journals. A third book — "American Prophet" — will be published by Marick next year.

(Marick Press is the brainchild of Grosse Pointe Park published poet Mariela Griffor, who is also the new Chilean consul in Detroit.)

You may download the workshop application at

robertfanning.com. It is due by Sept. 29. For more information, call (248) 462-2488 or e-mail Fanning at seedthievery@gmail.com. An advanced course by Fanning is planned for January.

The Marick brochure for the series suggests you will "sharpen your teeth, eat good poems and unleash your inner poet."

### Princess

The reigning Miss Michigan Princess for the Michigan CoEd Pageant is Maggie Mattes, the 6-year-old daughter of Jill and Greg Mattes of the Woods.

Maggie, a first-grader at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School, won the title in three days of competition in Ypsilanti in August.

A panel of six judges reviewed the contestants for poise, presentation in formal wear, personality and presentation on stage and then interviewed the contestants individually.

Maggie dances at the Grosse Pointe Dance Center, competes at the Gymnastics Academy and swims on the Lochmoor swim team.

She is scheduled to meet Gov. Jennifer Granholm, ride in a number of parades and work with charities, including Project Koat A Kid, Toys for Tots and St. John Hospital.

She will represent Michigan at the 2007 Miss American Princess National Pageant in Orlando during Thanksgiving week.

### Follow-up

Harry Huffaker, the hall of fame channel swimmer we wrote about who was in town for his 50th class reunion, returned to Greenhorn Gulch, Sun Valley, Idaho, to discover he couldn't go home.

He sent this e-mail: "Arrived back in 'The Valley'

around noon today. It's a rather apocalyptic scene at this time — homes in the Gulch surrounded with fire trucks, sky filled with helicopters, planes dropping fire retardant, hundreds of firefighters attempting to protect a handful of homes, billowing black smoke in the air, a red sky which has drastically changed the color of the sun which it masks."

The forest fires that have been plaguing the West had forced the evacuation of his home near Ketchum. It was several days before the fires were quelled enough so he could return to his retirement home.

### Follow-up, too

A while back, we reported that David and Heather Jones of Beverly Road in the Farms lost their garage and three cars after a storm toppled a dead tree on a transformer box, which then fell, causing a fire. They learned of the fire via a cell phone call from their daughter in London while they were in upstate New York.

They are now in the process of getting a new garage, and David reports. Prior to the storm and fire, Grosse Pointe City had informed the Farms Public Safety Department that Fisher Road would have to be closed the next day to remove the dead tree. But the storm got it first, and Fisher was closed for hours to repair downed lines and to put out the garage fire.

### Service above self

Gloria Kitchen is a 29-year-old native Grosse Pointer and cystic fibrosis patient. A Wayne State graduate, she works as a talent coordinator for a Rochester Hills-based special events company.

But more important is the special event that Kitchen has chaired for the past 11 years.



Maggie Mattes

During that time she has raised \$225,000 to help the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Her next event is an Oktoberfest from 6 p.m. to midnight on Friday, Sept. 28, at Blossom Heath Inn in St. Clair Shores. For \$60, you may take part in helping the foundation,

eat a buffet dinner, drink beer and wine and take part in live and silent auctions.

Cystic Fibrosis is the No. 1 genetic killer of children and young adults, Kitchen reports. If you want to attend or would like to discuss a corporate sponsorship of \$150 to \$1,000,

you may contact her at (313) 407-2165.

Ben Burns of the City of Grosse Pointe is director of the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by phone at (313) 882-2810.

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## OFFERING FROM THE LOFT

## Mining treasured memories

Never say never. I seem to have been resurrected (somewhat). I have been invited to stay in touch through Offerings From the Loft and have agreed to do so, occasionally. When this newspaper was sold in May, it was my intention to enjoy the summer with family and to ease back on commitments and deadlines. For three months I have been able to accomplish this. The column will return, at the discretion of the editor, once every three or four weeks. Today I climb back on my horse to tell you about my favorite place on Earth, a summer home in Pennsylvania, built by my parents in 1930 and my annual pilgrimage to the land of my ancestors.

It is much the same, but tempered with just a touch of sadness. Perhaps our expectations are too high as we cling tenaciously to our memories and want everything to remain the same. Of course, we know better, but are reluctant to face the realities of growing older. The same lake sits at the foot

of our steps and the same trees reach out from the shoreline. There is more traffic on the lake now on the weekends, but during the week, it appears much as it did 60 years ago.

We shared beautiful reunions with treasured friends. Our relationships date back more than seven decades, and we sat on the terrace overlooking the lake and retraced the golden days of youth. Three months of each summer were spent on this beautiful lake in northeastern Pennsylvania, and our friendships forged during our formative years. We talked of weekly sailboat races, bonfires, picnics, learning to water-ski and how to negotiate a dark lake shrouded in fog.

Our memory trips take us down rocky roads to square dances, drive-in movies and into the Pocono Mountains to see summer stock theater. We recall summer romances, sleepovers and games of sardines when we would hide high on the rafters of the cottage. We played games endlessly and had hilarious ping-pong tournaments even on col-

lege weekends, no television, and just great recordings on vinyl.

We bask in the memories of standing in open meadows surrounded by deer as we stare in amazement at the Milky Way. We are city dwellers overwhelmed by the beauty of starry nights, clear and unblemished. We stood drenched in moonlight as we watched the huge orange globe rise from the water in front of our dock. How wonderful it was to fall into those comfortable beds laden with quilts and listen to the cicadas' serenade and the sounds of the hinges squeaking on the dock.

A fire always blazed in one of the massive stone fireplaces, its crackling logs soothing us to slumber and warming us on chilly mornings.

One of our favorite memories was of drifting off to sleep when the rain pelted the roof, first a gentle tapping growing into a crescendo of bullets as the storms grew in strength. We loved watching those storms form across the lake, knowing we would feel

their vengeance within the hour as the wind gathered strength and whitecaps formed.

The changing skies both frightened and tantalized us, and we were mesmerized. Hurricanes were a huge part of our summers. If Long Island was hit in the mid-'50s, we were hit too. In August of 1955, a hurricane brought floods that took many lives and flooded our local towns. Bridges were washed away and whole portions of road simply fell into enormous holes. We had no telephones or televisions then and were unable to contact family members and friends across the lake for 24 hours. We were required to have shots and stay out of the lake for two years.

A group of us, 10 in number, linger at the dinner table, bathed in candlelight and immersed in nostalgia. We are strengthened by our love and respect for each other and sustained by hope for future dinners and more evenings of sharing and remembrance. I gaze around the room.

Physically the changes are apparent. We are in the September of our years.

Each summer there are more empty chairs at the table. Two of us are already gone, ashes scattered on the property. Another friend is almost totally blind and several have had bouts with cancer and other crippling diseases. Many joints have been replaced and our memories are somewhat diminished. We fill in the blanks for each other and conversations are punctuated with laughter. Many of us sneak a nap in the middle of the day. Stairs are more difficult to manage and we no longer race up and down the steep steps to the waterfront.

We are quick to point out to our children and grandchildren how it was and our desires for minimal change in the future. They tolerate us and continue to do things their generation is comfortable with. We feel sorry for them that they will never have the summer experiences and relationships we had, because we were able to spend three months each year in this setting. They will never enjoy the simplicity of a square dance where one secretly hopes for the dance

where you share a kiss with the partner of your dreams. Their generation thinks our music is corny. We think their choices loud and frantic. They have places to go, people to see, iPods to listen to, cell phones to dial and laptops to answer their questions. Google vs. Grandpa for information!

We feel sad that they will never drive to the dump and watch the bears romp through the garbage. They won't head to the blueberry patches to pick the berries for the pies we will enjoy at dinner. They can buy the pies now at the local stand that sells fresh vegetables and corn and tomatoes picked today.

Summer is a magical time, especially if one was fortunate to have a special place to which she could return for 70 seasons. There are five guest books at our cottage, volumes of personal memories and events. Visitors and guests have witnessed through their writings, the history of this place, and it is a commentary on the lives and times of the generation who have walked these woods in the past 77 years.

Our prayers are for many more to follow...

WOODS:  
False claim  
raised

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Woods faces very often, it still can occur," he said. "It is important coverage to have, and you want to make sure you are getting as much as possible for the premium you are paying."

While the question of coverage for inverse condemnation cases was a deciding factor in the council staying with Alliance, there were other issues that tilted the vote in Alliance's favor.

The policy proposed by Trident only covered incident reports filed during the time the policy was in effect. If the city were to later switch carriers, any claims made while the Trident policy was in effect would not be covered unless the city purchased a separate policy.

Alliance's plan covered any incident that occurred while it was the city's insurance carrier, regardless of when the claim was filed.

In his presentation, Alliance representative Robert Bucko cited his company's relationship with the city and its long history of service to Michigan municipalities as reasons to

continue with Alliance.

"The Municipal Insurance Alliance was started in 1984, and we have in depth knowledge of Michigan municipal law," he said. "We also have unprecedented cooperation with Grosse Pointe Woods officials. I have been your agent for seven years, and I hope to continue."

The council passed a motion approving Alliance as its insurance carrier in a 6-1 vote, with Lisa Pinkos Howle dissenting. While Mayor Robert Novick thanked the insurance committee for its work, not every council member was pleased.

DeSantis-Reynolds accused Waldmeir, who chaired the insurance committee, of conflict of interest, stating that she had heard Waldmeir had friends working for Trident, a claim that both the Trident representative and Waldmeir denied.

"I have never met Mr. Waldmeir before tonight," said Trident's Tim Beardon.

Berschback assured council members that even if Waldmeir knew any of the agents, it would not constitute a conflict of interest.

"I resent her implication that I'm playing favorites," Waldmeir said. "Don't make these unsubstantiated allegations unless you can prove them."

DeSantis-Reynolds did not respond.

LETTER:  
Pains him  
to see it

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my house, weighing around 25 pounds, belongs to my seventh-grade son, followed by my 10th-grade son and my second-grade daughter. Every year we have to sew the backpacks which have ripped from all the weight, or buy new ones.

My family and anyone else who would listen heard me complain about it all last year. When I mentioned in to the principal at Brownell Middle School, he agreed it was an issue of concern, and it pains him to see the kids leaving the school with all that weight on their backs.

He said it has been a topic of discussion among the staff to find ways to lighten the load. My sons say the only way is with less homework, and they agree that will never happen.

I talked to our family chiropractor who said researchers have recently begun studying the effects of carrying heavy backpacks. They have discovered that the extra weight may pose a serious threat to a child's

spinal development, especially when backpacks are carried over one shoulder, which I see many children do.

Upon doing my own research, I found that retailer Land's End did a survey and found that 31 percent of children carry their backpacks improperly, only using one strap over the shoulder.

The American Chiropractor Association offers some safety tips for backpack use:

- ◆ Smaller children should carry backpacks that fit properly on the small of the back and do not extend more than four inches past the waist.

- ◆ The backpack should weigh no more than 5 to 10 percent of a child's body weight.

- ◆ Wear both shoulder straps at all times.

- ◆ Look for padded straps that are adjustable, so the backpack can be fitted to the child's body.

- ◆ Pack pointy objects away from the area that will rest on your child's back.

- ◆ Look for a backpack with a padded back to ensure comfort.

Both parents and educators may be overlooking a threat to our children's future health that a Band-Aid will not be able to fix.

AMY SANFORD  
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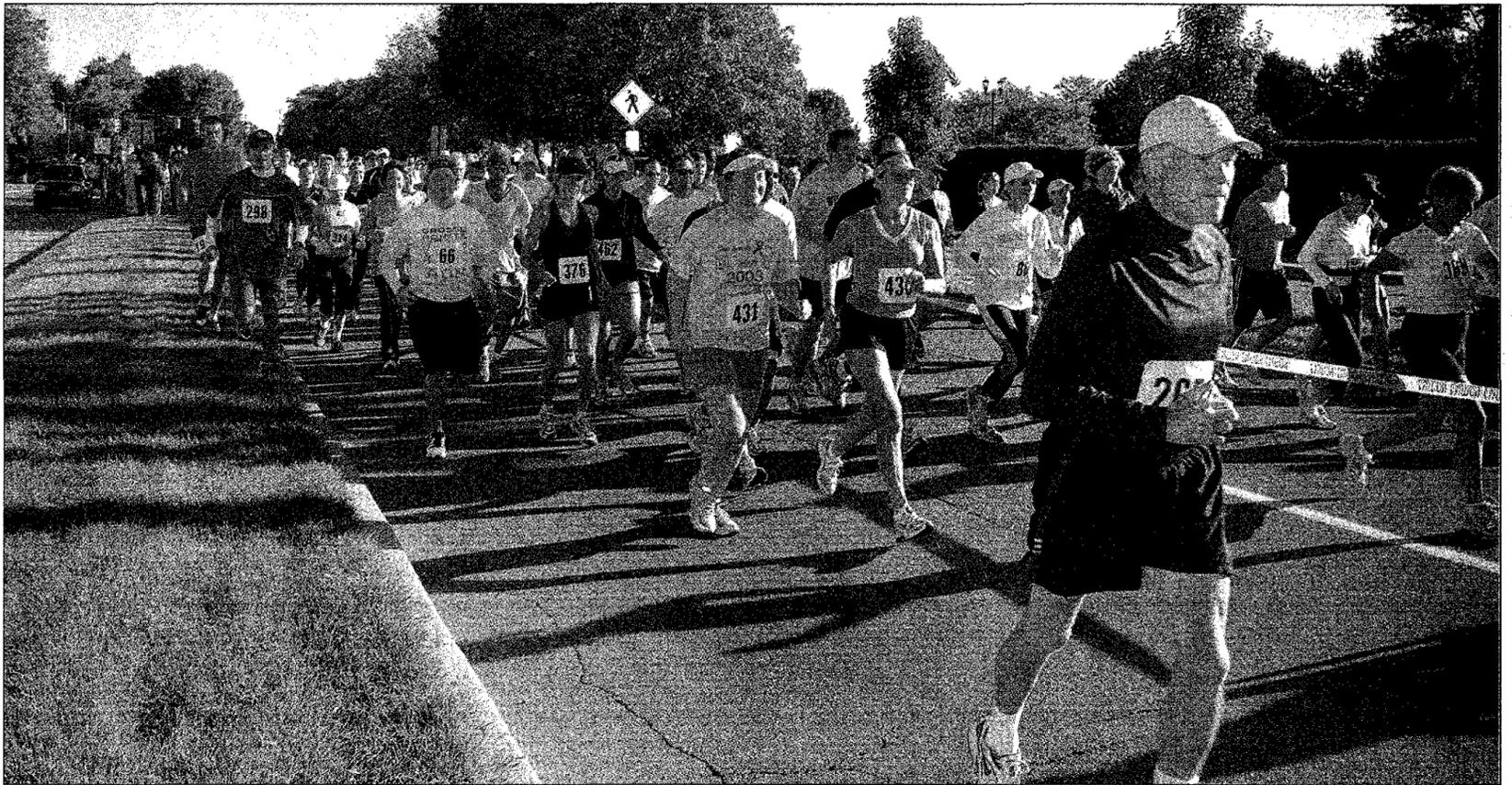
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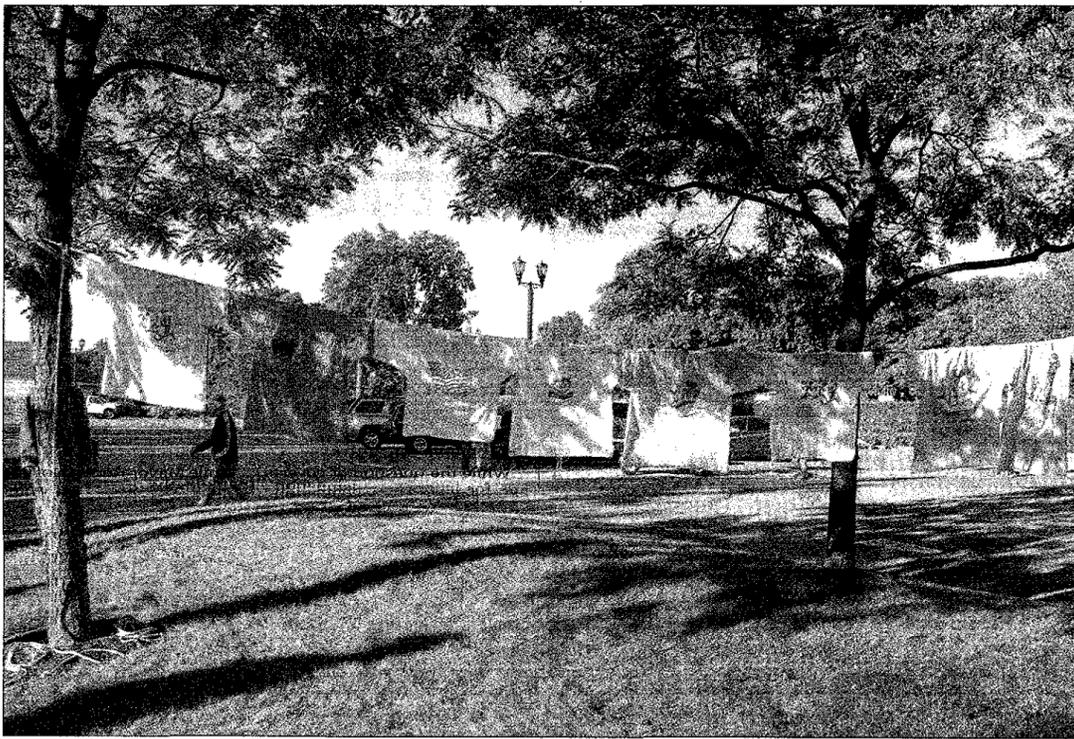
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Runners kept up the pace as they rounded the trail set for them.

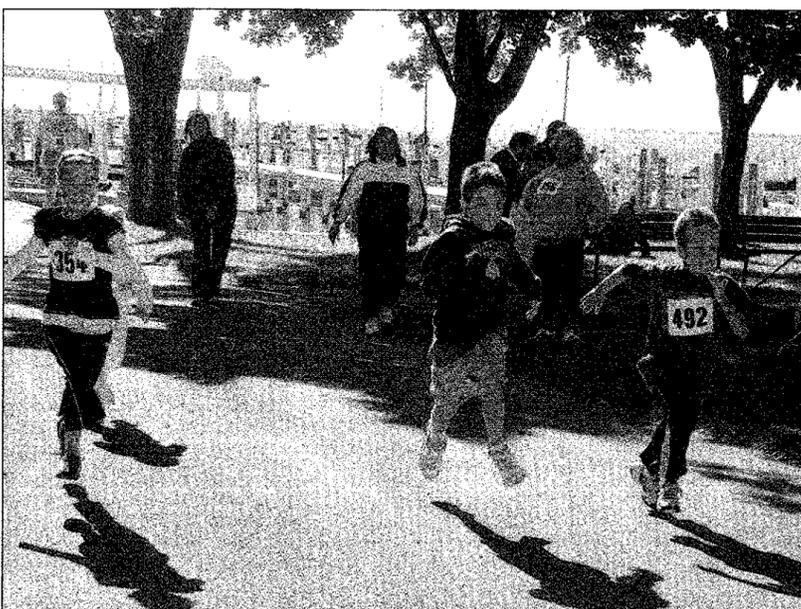
# Grosse Pointe Run



T-shirts from previous Grosse Pointe runs were strung on a line.



Don Jackson won the 5K portion of the 28th annual Grosse Pointe Run, organized by the Grosse Pointe Rotary Sunrise Club, on Sept. 15. He is an employee of Hanson's Running Shop in Grosse Pointe Woods.



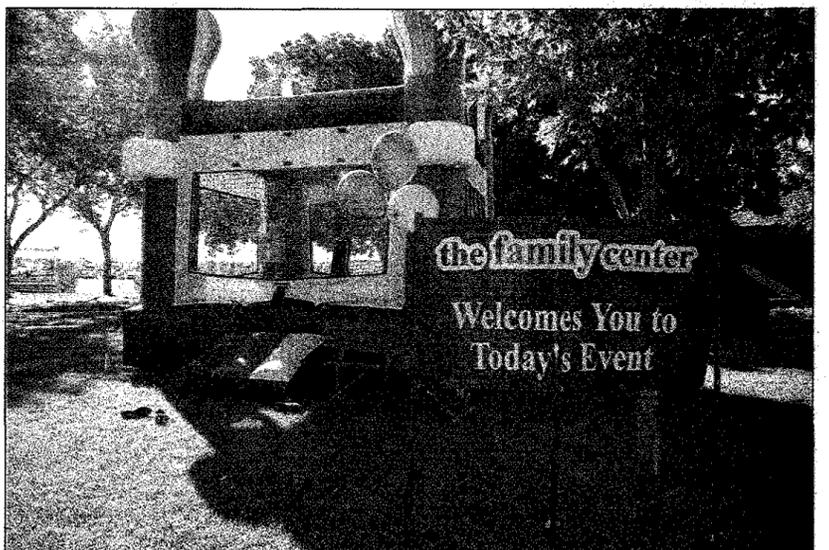
Children were also included in the Grosse Pointe Run, which began in the Farms Pier Park. They participated in a 50 meter run.



Any child between 2 and 11 years was encouraged to participate in the fun and all received a medal. The youngest children enjoyed running under sunny skies at the Family Fitness Run.



Medals and trophies were ready for the winners to claim.



The Family Center set up a moonwalk for children.



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The golf carts are lined up with players ready to hit the links.



Golfers are off to the greens.

# Holden golf outing yields achievement

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Eighty four golfers enjoyed perfect weather for Monday afternoon's second annual Holden Classic Golf Outing held at the Country Club of Detroit.

"Everything went very well and we were able to raise some significant dollars for the James and Lynelle Holden Boys & Girls Club," said Nick Papadas, Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan vice president of development.

The outing raised \$49,700 compared to a little less than \$45,000 a year ago.

Detroit Lions quarterback Jon Kitna is a big proponent of the Boys & Girls Clubs. He donated a golf package to the event.

Kitna, who grew up in Tacoma, Wash., joined the Boys & Girls Clubs as a boy and began his sports career playing baseball, basketball and football during his grade school years.

"I was a small kid in grade school, but the Boys & Girls Club still gave me a chance to play sports," Kitna said. "I owe them a lot because the club allowed me to play football, despite my lack of size."

"I didn't start growing until middle school, so I owe the Boys & Girls Club a lot because they made a football career a possibility."

Kitna played an instrumental role helping the Lions improve to 2-0 by beating Minnesota 20-17 in overtime during Sunday's game.

He left the game after suffering a concussion in the second quarter. He said his head cleared and he rallied the home team to win.

The funds generated by the outing will help children at the Holden Club enjoy a safe haven after school where they can do their homework, play sports and video games, or just talk to friends.

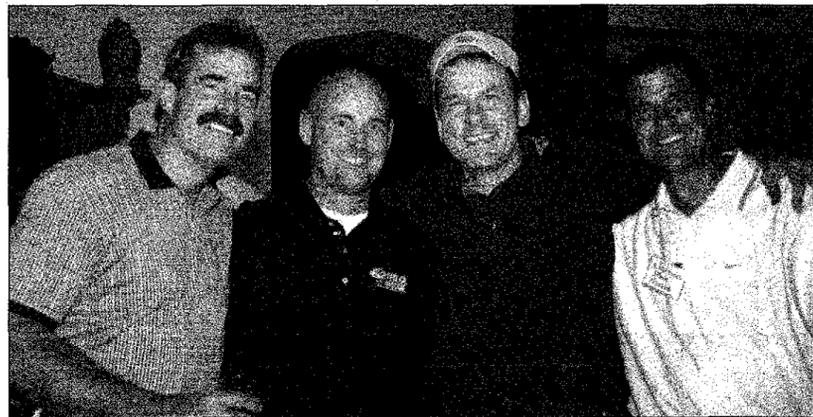
Jim Randels, the director of the Holden Club located on 8 Mile and Schoenherr on Detroit's east side, watched foursome after foursome sink dozens of birdie puts all for his club.

"We were very happy with the outcome," Randels said.

"Everyone was out there having a great time. The money raised will help our day-to-day operations and help keep our kids coming back."



Jim Randazzo bid on the Lions autographed football, William Yates bid on the Pistons autographed basketball and Drew Ottawy bid on the hockey stick signed by Steve Yzerman.



From left Grosse Pointe Farms Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen, Mike McCarthy, John Walko and Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officer Steve Puckett.



Trevor Thompson with FSN Detroit was one of the personalities who participated in the golf outing.

# NEWS II

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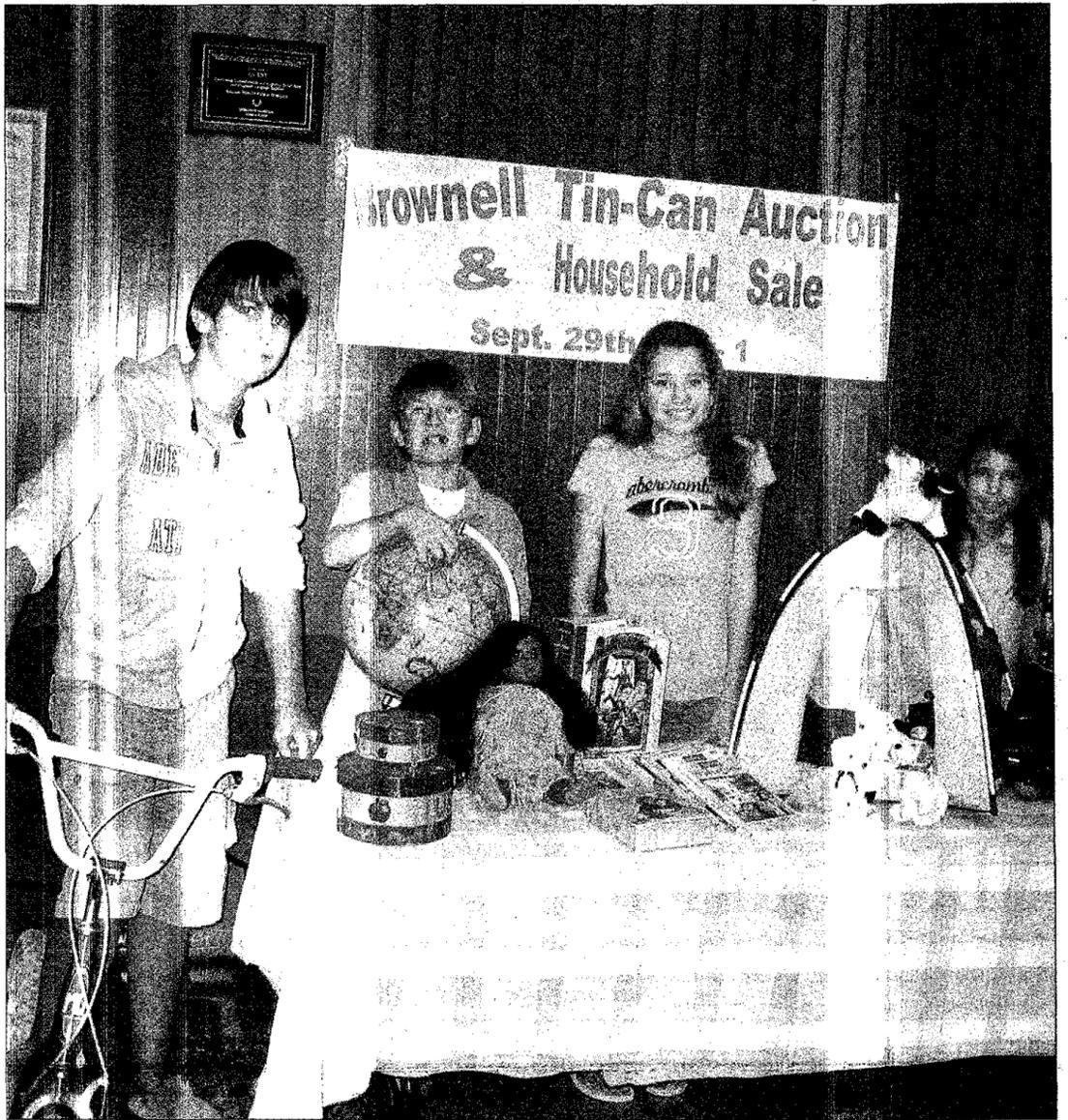
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## Brownell auction and household sale Sept. 29

Brownell Middle School's fourth annual Tin-Can Auction and Household Sale takes place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29. All money collected helps fund student after-school activities. The auction works like this: Buy a \$1 ticket and put your name and phone number on the back. Place your tickets in the tin can of the prize of your choice. A winner will be drawn from the can at 1 p.m.

Ticket holders do not have to be present to win. Prizes consist of donations solicited by Brownell students, staff, and other members of the Brownell community. Donated items are coordinated into packages and described on a card near a tin can. Examples of last year's items included tickets to the Tigers, Red Wings, Lions, Michigan State and University of Michigan athletic games; massages and hair cuts from Edwin Paul's Salon; and dinners at Salvatore Scallopini, City Kitchen, and Da Edoardo. The household sale consists of gently used goods donated by Brownell families and friends. Items include small appliances, electronics, books, bikes, toys, furniture, and sports equipment. Items are displayed and tagged with a price. To donate to the tin-can auction, contact Susan Dempsey at (313) 432-3900. To donate to the household sale, contact Chris Clark at (313) 432-3900. Preparing for the fundraiser are, from left, Brownell Middle School students Stephen Van Wallegem, Brian L'Heureux, Nicole Keller and Sydney Keller.



### GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM



## Teachers get energized

Grosse Pointe teachers recently donned hard hats for a tour of DTE Energy's Monroe Power Plant during the 15th annual Educators' Energy Workshop. Sponsored by the DTE Energy Foundation in partnership with Eastern Michigan University, the workshop was designed to help middle and high school science teachers develop their own energy education programs and integrate new materials into existing curricula. The program covered topics such as energy technology, the wise use of electricity and gas, and the impact of energy on the environment. Pictured above from left are Grosse Pointe Woods resident Brenda Ban, a teacher at Harper Woods Tyrone Elementary School; Grosse Pointe Woods resident Lisa Bouda, a teacher at Grosse Pointe South High School; DTE Energy's Emily Wood; and Flat Rock resident Shawn McNamara, a teacher at Grosse Pointe South High School.

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## ULS tradition

The University Liggett School student body officially welcomed the new school year Wednesday, Sept. 5, with the institution's traditional all-school flag raising, performed by new Head of School Joe Healey and senior Michael Thomas, above.

Also recognized are the school's "lifers," who are members of the senior class who have attended ULS since preschool or kindergarten. There are 23 "lifers" in this year's senior class of 65.



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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

## Assessment tool ready

By Bob St. John  
 Staff Writer

Students throughout the Grosse Pointe Public School System will be taking more assessment tests this year.

"We can get a good handle of students' needs through assessment testing," said Lee Warras, a retired district employee working with school officials as an independent contractor. "The additional testing will not take away from classroom instruction."

Students already take the MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program), which is used to identify and address students' classroom needs.

Warras highlighted recommendations posted by an assessment committee.

- ◆ The recommendations were:
- ◆ Annual standardized national testing, using one testing series, in reading and mathematics for students in grades 1 through 8 beginning this year.
- ◆ The adoption of the Northwest Educational Assessment (NWEA) as the assessment of choice for grades 1 through 8 and students new to the district in grade 9.
- ◆ Elimination of the MAT (grade 1) and CTP4 (grades 2, 5 and 8) and the Running Records (grades 1-2) as district tests of record.
- ◆ Continuation of the Grosse Pointe Writing Assessment in grades 1 through 9.
- ◆ Implementation of a formal process for assessing students new to the district in grades 2 through 9 using the NWEA and the Grosse Pointe Writing Assessment.
- ◆ Continuation of MEAP testing (grades 3 through 9) and MME testing (grade 11), as required by the state.
- ◆ Continuation of the grade 8 computer competency exit exam, as required by the state. Keyboarding assessment in the upper elementary grades will continue.

The committee is led by Roger McCaig, consultant and former director of research

and evaluation, and Elaine Middlekauff, Mason Elementary School principal.

The implementation of the NWEA, which can be administered up to four times each year, will give district educators a more complete measurement of students' learning throughout the year, said Warras.

The cost to purchase the NWEA license is \$66,500 a year.

In contrast, the Iowa (Iowa Tests of Basic Skills) test is similar in cost for the initial year, but the rate drops to \$51,000 for each additional year.

"The Iowa testing might be cheaper, but the NWEA allows us to administer it three or four times each year and not just once," Warras said. "The NWEA can be taken in the fall, winter and spring."

The turnaround time for test results is only one day for the NWEA compared with 15 business days after receipt for the Iowa.

In addition, students can take the NWEA on a computer, while they must use the tradi-

tional paper and pencil method for the Iowa.

Committee members gave board members a list of special features that the NWEA will allow. They are: ongoing professional development; an adaptive testing feature which reduces guessing and quitting and increases measurement error; multiple testing opportunities that allows staff to track progress more accurately against expected growth and allows for program adjustment; information on upper ability students; a tool to guide selection of reading materials; extensive online teacher support, both diagnostic and prescriptive; and user friendly reports to staff and parents.

It takes approximately one hour for each section of the NWEA testing (reading and mathematics) compared with approximately 90 minutes for the reading part and approximately 75 minutes on the mathematics portion of the Iowa.

Board members approved the NWEA license purchase during Monday night's meeting.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

## Bids discussed

By Bob St. John  
 Staff Writer

Contractor bids are being tossed around the discussion table, waiting for someone to bite.

During the Sept. 10 board of education meeting, Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent of business and support service, told members he has contractors in place that can complete plumbing and fencing work at the various district schools.

Fenton requested the board approve the contract with Shoreline Companies Inc. If a scheduling conflict arises,

Filmore Construction Co. will do the plumbing replacement as needed with an option to re-new for another year.

The estimated project cost range is approximately \$200,000 for next year, Fenton said.

Fenton recommended Michigan Fence, the low bidder who submitted a multi-year contract. If a schedule conflict arises, Fenton recommended Motor City Fence handle the work.

The estimated project cost is \$50,000, Fenton said.

The bids are expected to be approved during the next school board meeting.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Consultant fee nets approval

Consultant Roger McCaig will continue his work with the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

During the last school board meeting, board members approved paying McCaig a consultation fee of \$100 per hour (not to exceed \$30,000 annually) for his work with teachers, students and school officials.

"Having Dr. McCaig with us has been enormously helpful," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum, assessment, instruction and technology.

He has worked with the district for the past several years. Examples of his duties are:

- ◆ Continuing to be involved in the implementation of the Grosse Pointe Writing Assessment.
- ◆ Providing additional training for test judges and verifying the reliability of their scores.
- ◆ Serving as a "super judge" when questions arise about the score on a particular student paper.
- ◆ Providing an in-depth analysis of the district's writing program and working with administrators to develop plans for the improvement of writing.
- ◆ Assisting the department of curriculum, instruction, assessment and technology in the analysis of standardized tests.
- ◆ Providing support as needed to building administrators and occasionally teachers.
- ◆ Reviewing and evaluating a number of standardized assessments.

Allan and Leo A. Warras, a retired school employee who also consults for the district, said in a letter, "Dr. McCaig's work has been a valuable asset to the department. He continues to assist the department in numerous ways, and he does not charge the district for many of the services he renders, our protests notwithstanding."

— Bob St. John

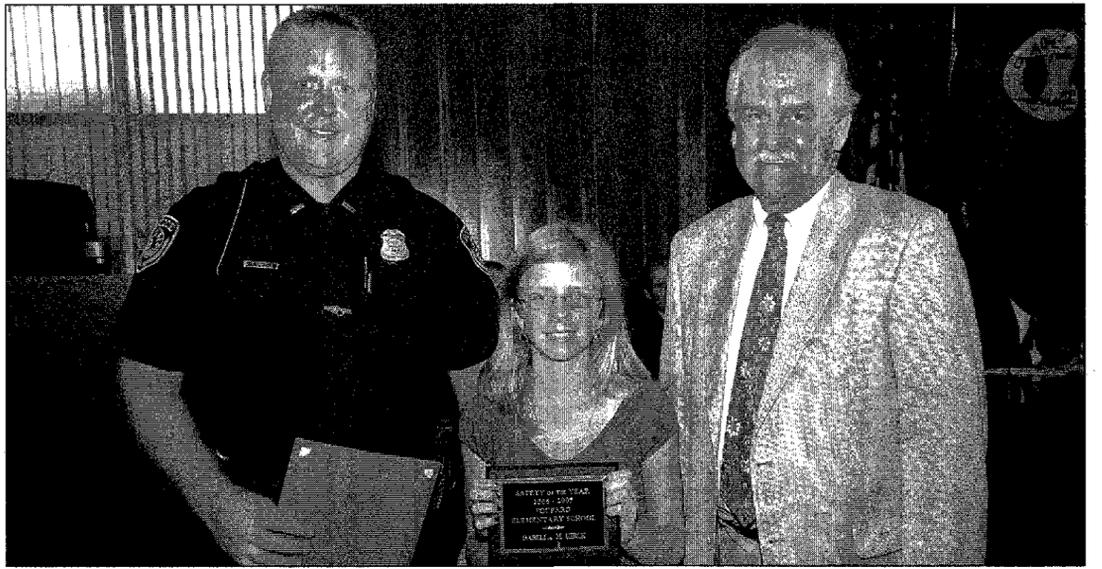


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## Award winner

Isabella Kirck, center, was honored with the 2006-07 Poupard School Safety Patrol Student of the Year award during the last Harper Woods council meeting. Presenting her with the plaque and a \$50 savings bond from Target were Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter, right, and Harper Woods Lt. Rob Hunter.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Lease ready for signing

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education and the Neighborhood Club are keeping its partnership alive and well.

Board members discussed approving the annual lease with the Neighborhood Club for a projected annual cost of \$29,000.

"We have a good working relationship with them," said Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent of business and support services. "We have established a flat fee, which covers the use of the facilities and payment of the required custodians and overhead cost."

"This lease arrangement was the result of recommendations from the Building Use Committee in 1995. This lease will continue the cooperative relationship with the Neighborhood Club and the ability to provide recreational opportunities for children and adults."

Fenton is the school's representative, helping shape decisions as to how district facilities (pools, classrooms, fields and gymnasiums) are used and what group uses them at what time.

"Together, we should celebrate our 43rd year working with the school system," said John Bruce, Neighborhood Club director.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Brochure available

The Grosse Pointe Community Education brochure is available by calling Paula Jarvis, manager, at (313) 432-3880 or by visiting the Web site, [gpschools.org/di\\_communityed.htm](http://gpschools.org/di_communityed.htm).

Office hours are Monday

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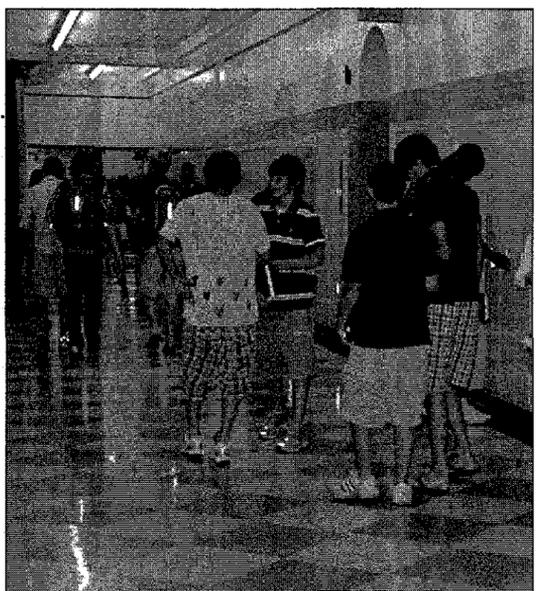


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## Welcome back

Grosse Pointe South students get in a quick conversation with friends between classes on their first day of school, which was Wednesday, Sept. 5. Every school in the Grosse Pointe Public School System began on Sept. 5, while other districts in the area began the day before. It is only nine more months until the seniors graduate.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The 2007 Subaru Legacy GT Turbo offers sensibility, performance and good looks that will take you where you want to go. There are six different models from which to choose.

# '07 Subaru Legacy GT Turbo has power



Japanese manufacturer. For 2007, GT spec.B becomes a full production model. It contains 50-percent U.S./Canadian parts, and is built in Lafayette, Ind. How's that for distinction!

This week, we're driving Subaru's 2007 Legacy GT "spec.B" Sedan, an all wheel drive Rally-based compact that Subaru says "isn't unique." That's because Subaru is still the only manufacturer to offer AWD as standard equipment on all its vehicles, regardless of entry price range.

Starting at \$18,620 for the base Impreza up to the inspiring \$37,920 Tribeca Limited 7-passenger, Subaru makes sure it has a vehicle for buyers in diverse economic divisions.

However, let the record show this GT "spec.B" is indeed unique, regardless of any humble sentiments by the

Subaru's decision to drop two wheel drive cars from its lineup in 1997 helped establish its current AWD "top of mind awareness" in consumers. The company's distinctive passion in AWD development, where engineers build a near perfect balance of self-assurance and handling by combining a horizontally opposed engine and symmetrically designed traction system, is widely heralded and highly rated.

Under the hood of our test Legacy sits a 243-horse Rally-bred DOHC 2.5-liter 4-cylinder horizontally opposed (Boxer) turbocharged engine. Legacy Turbo engines feature technology from the WRX STi high-performance model (with less boost) and accentuate strong



2007 Subaru Legacy GT Turbo

torque at low to mid engine speeds.

Noteworthy is the standard 6-speed manual transmission, which makes driving even more fun. This transmission has a Viscous-coupling locking center differential that distributes engine power equally front and rear, the latter where a TORSEN limited-slip differential offers up even more stability. However, for you non-gear-pullers, Legacy offers an advanced electronic direct control automatic transmission version, so check with your dealer.

Inside, Legacy seats five passengers and is attractively finished. All Legacy GT models feature a new instrument cluster and more than 32 standard

items, including air, power moon roof, tire pressure monitor, power windows, seats, mirrors and door locks, tilt-adjustable steering column, cruise, Touch Screen GPS Navigation system (Yep, standard) all weather package with heated seats, XM Satellite capable, temperature gauge, remote keyless entry, aluminum alloy pedals, 6-disc in-dash CD changer AM/FM stereo, leather-wrapped MOMO steering wheel and more.

The suspension is one of Legacy GT "spec's" best attributes, as a 4-wheel independent design featuring Bilstein Sport Suspension keeps the 18-inch tires planted. Up front are MacPherson-type inverted struts with aluminum lower L-arms and liquid filled L-arm

bushings, stabilizer bar and negative scrub geometry. The rear is a multilink setup with one aluminum upper link, two aluminum lower links and one radius arm per side with coil springs, shocks and stabilizer bar.

On the road, GT's underpinnings offer up both sports car rally type handling to "go in snow" capabilities. We took GT on a run through the mountain roads, and emphasize this car is indeed a handler, and a fast one at that. When it comes to stopping, the 4-wheel ABS disc brakes are excellent while the overall ride is firm yet comfortable.

Legacy also scores excellent in crash tests, including a Top Safety Pick "Gold" from the Insurance Institute. All come

equipped with dual front and front side air bags, and side curtain air bags. The final cost, with \$625 destination, came in at \$34,620.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 105.1 inches, 3,515 pound curb weight, 11.4 cubic-feet of cargo space, 16.9 gallon fuel tank and EPA numbers of 19 city and 26 highway on Premium 91 Octane fuel.

For building such a resourceful, fun vehicle, Subaru's Legacy GT spec.B Sedan receives a strong nine on a scale of one to 10.

Likes: All-wheel-drive, acceleration, functionality, handling, power.

Dislikes: GT spec's outward design is not awe-inspiring. Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.

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SHOP TALK By Greg Zyla

## Additives and treatments

Q. Greg, I've seen so many television ads for oil additives that it's starting to drive me crazy. There's a new one out now with Carroll Shelby telling people, "It works," and he puts his name on it. It's called zMAX. Is this stuff different than, say, Slick 50?

A. Paul, I'm not real familiar with zMAX, but it's advertised as being in a class of its own (as most of these products do). The ads say it's not an oil additive or an engine treatment because it contains no solid or liquid additives such as chlorinated paraffins or Teflon. Its manufacturer says zMAX is a pure petroleum product that works by micro-lubricating metal parts, thus reducing friction and allowing better performance and economy.

zMAX has both a fuel and engine formula available, and other products, too. You can check it out at zmax.com for more information.

I won't get into any debates about these types of additives (or whatever they are called), so here's the bottom line: These products, which are not cheap, will in no way harm your car or cancel any warranties. Most probably add an extra measure of protection. However, I use a synthetic-brand motor oil in all my cars, and I don't currently use any additives like zMAX, Slick 50 or Marvel Oil in the crankcase.

Have I used oil additives in the past? Sure, as most of us have. With this said, if you feel you

want to spend the money to buy this product, and you'll sleep better at night, do so. If you don't, your car is still well-protected by whatever the manufacturer recommends you put in your crankcase.

### Speed kills

Many young lives are lost due to speed merged with inexperience. A driver cannot maneuver corners using the same "line" at 80 mph that he or she does at 45 mph. Many inexperienced drivers try to, and the results are deadly.

Defensive driving is a direct cousin of common sense. It takes anticipation and calmness to make a good driver. These qualities, however, come with experience.

— Greg Zyla

## Tips to get better gas mileage

With gas prices seemingly soaring into the stratosphere, the volume of advertising is increasing for "gas-saving" products, designed to appeal to consumers looking for ways to improve fuel efficiency.

Although there are practical steps car owners can take to increase gas mileage, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) continues to warn consumers to be wary of gas-saving claims for automotive devices or oil and gas additives.

While some of the gas-saving products have been proven to work, the savings usually are small, at best. You could end up with serious engine problems or a voided manufacturer warranty by adding after-market devices to your engine.

Some gas-saving products may damage a car's engine or cause substantial increases in exhaust emissions. Some of these products include air bleed devices, vapor bleed devices, liquid injection, fuel line

devices, mixture enhancers, internal engine modifications and more.

Instead of searching for miraculous gas-saving products, the BBB is recommending consumers consider taking one or more no-cost or low-cost actions that can help drivers save on gas consumption.

The most important place to start is at the gas pump — buy only the octane level gas you need. Check your owner's manual to determine the right octane level for your car.

The BBB offers the following gas-saving tips:

- ◆ Drive more efficiently. Stay within posted speed limits. Gas mileage decreases rapidly at speeds above 60 mph.

- ◆ Avoid "jack-rabbit" starts and stops. Accelerate slowly when starting from a dead stop. Don't push the pedal down more than one-quarter of the way; this allows the carburetor to function at peak efficiency. You can improve gas mileage up to five percent

around town if you avoid jerky starts and stops.

- ◆ Use overdrive gears and cruise controls when appropriate. They improve the fuel economy of your car when driving on a highway.

- ◆ Keep windows closed when traveling at highway speeds. Open windows cause air drag, reducing your mileage by 10 percent.

- ◆ Avoid rough roads whenever possible. Dirt or gravel can rob you of up to 30 percent of your gas mileage.

- ◆ Remove excess weight from the trunk. An extra 100 pounds can reduce a typical car's fuel economy by up to 2 percent.

- ◆ Properly maintain your car. Keep the engine tuned, tires inflated and aligned, change the oil on schedule, and check and replace air filters regularly. Replacing clogged filters can increase gas mileage up to 10 percent.

Continue to practice safe driving and maintain your car.

**AUTOS** By Jenny King

# Lexus puts hybrid system in flagship



**L**exus unveiled its most ambitious hybrid drive system late last spring in the 2008 Lexus LS 600h L.

This long wheelbase, \$100,000-plus, limited-production, all-wheel-drive sedan is powered by a gas-electric hybrid system with what the auto maker calls "seamless power and very impressive passing speed."

The gasoline engine is a new 5.0-liter V-8 with two electric motors and a large-capacity battery pack. This powertrain has a peak combined output rating of 438 horsepower capable of pushing the sedan from zero to 60 mph in 5.5 seconds.

The 5,049-pound Lexus LS 600h L features a 22-gallon fuel tank and has a combined city-highway fuel efficiency rating of 21 miles per gallon.

The hybrid system in the LS 600h L employs a 288-volt DC nickel metal hydride battery pack installed behind the rear seat. Lexus says the battery's power is directed through a boost converter that raises voltage to a maximum 650V DC. An inverter changes this to alternating current, providing elevated power to an electric motor that turns at a rate as high as 10,240 rpm's.

The powertrain uses two motor generators. Each has specific functions and is able to operate as either a motor or a generator, though one, the MG1, is used as a starter motor and provides no motive force. The engine-driven MG1 serves as a generator and can change the

battery pack or provide additional power to the drive motor (MG2), as needed, Lexus said.

The transmission in the 121.7-inch wheelbase sedan is a dual-stage electronically controlled continuously variable design that includes eight-speed sequential braking, available when the shift lever is in the S mode. This same S mode allows the driver to upshift without a clutch and enjoy acceleration boosts at each of the eight stages.

For sneaking in late at night on those standard 19-inch wheels, or for a little extra fuel efficiency, the new LS hybrid features an EV drive mode. Push the EV button and power switches to fully electric for short-distance, slow-driving situations like residential areas or parking garages.

Lexus stresses that the EV modes are "not for when you run out of gas."

Safety technology includes what Lexus calls its Advanced Pre-Collision System, designed to help detect pedestrians in the vehicle's path. Two small cameras mounted at the front of the car work with radar to detect certain non-metallic objects.

A third camera, mounted on the steering column, has its eye on you, the driver. If the camera detects that it appears the driver is not looking directly ahead for a few seconds or more, and if an obstacle is detected ahead, it then alerts the driver first with a warning chime and a flashing light. As the car gets closer to the obstacle, the Advanced Pre-Collision System is capable of gently applying the brakes on its own.

To assist the driver in steering around an object, this system reprograms the steering ratio, increasing the intensity and speed of the steering response of the driver.



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## Porsche's new Cayenne is hot for horsepower

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The Cayenne is more powerful with engines offering as

much as 500 horsepower. The highest end model, the Cayenne Turbo, can reach a top speed of 171 mph.

Porsche has enhanced its engine injection technology and improved the aerodynamics of the vehicle's design to significantly increase the model's rate of miles per gallon.

The Cayenne represents Porsche's only current model of SUV, and with all the extra space for passengers, Porsche seems dedicated to ensuring safety and protection in the case of an emergency. All models come with a rollover sensor



Porsche's Cayenne is available in three models: a standard model, the Cayenne S and the Cayenne Turbo.

that can trigger both the belt latch tensioners and curtain air bags, thus helping to reduce the risk of injury for all occupants if a rollover occurs.

Standard equipment also includes Porsche's stability management system, which fea-

tures new functions such as a preloading braking system and a control for trailer stability. With so many automated safety features, the Cayenne has a lot of brain in addition to its brawn.

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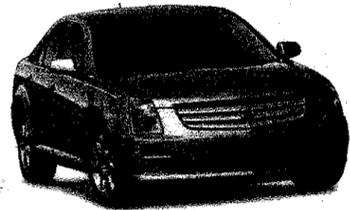
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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Statues stolen

Police are investigating the theft of three cement statues from the yard of a house in the 17000 block of Waterloo reported at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Police said the victim last saw the statues the night before. The statues are valued at \$200.

### Gas gone

Police are investigating the theft of more than 12 gallons of gas reported at 1:31 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Police said the theft occurred Aug. 28, but the clerk, who recognized the suspect, was investigating the theft by herself. The clerk reported that the man drove off without paying after pumping the gas.

### Stolen vehicle

A 25-year-old Detroit man and 19-year-old Detroit woman were arrested for driving a stolen vehicle following a traffic stop on Washington at 1:25 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Police stopped the vehicle after a LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check of the vehicle's license plate revealed it as stolen.

Both suspects were arrested and the vehicle impounded.

### Felony arrest

Police arrested a 35-year-old Detroit man after finding him sitting on a bench in front of Neff Park wearing a white sheet at 3:25 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10.

When asked what he was doing, the man said he had

just been released from an area hospital and was very tired. A LEIN check revealed the man was wanted on a felony warrant out of Northville. He was taken into custody.

—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

### Warrant arrest

A 46-year-old Detroit man was arrested following a traffic stop on Moross at 12:03 a.m. Monday, Sept. 17.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding. A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the driver was wanted on a Livonia warrant. He also had several driver's license suspensions.

He was taken into custody and held for pick up by Livonia police. His vehicle was impounded.

### Bad glass

Police arrested a 28-year-old Detroit woman following a traffic stop on Mack at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14.

Police stopped the vehicle for having a defective windshield. A LEIN check of the driver revealed she was wanted on warrants in Grosse Pointe Farms and Ferndale. She also had several driver's license suspensions.

She was taken into custody and her vehicle impounded.

### Suspected drug use

Police arrested a 22-year-old for suspected possession

of marijuana following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 10:38 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it driving erratically. Upon questioning the driver, police detected an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. A LEIN check of the driver revealed he was also wanted on a Dearborn warrant and had no driver's license.

Police also observed a half empty pint of brandy at the feet of a passenger in the front seat. Police arrested the driver and found several suspected marijuana cigarettes on his person. He was taken into custody and his vehicle impounded.

The passenger was cited for having an open container of alcohol in a moving vehicle and was released.

### Wrong pump

Police are investigating the theft of \$20 worth of gasoline from a gas station at Mack and Moross reported at 5:37 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Police said the victim had the station clerk put a \$20 charge for gas at the pump she thought she was on. It turned out she reported the wrong pump and the suspect, who was in the station when the victim received the credit, filled his minivan with the \$20 worth of gas.

### Painkiller pinched

A 40-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man was arrested for allegedly taking several painkiller medications from a house in the 200 block of Ridgemont at 10:28 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10.

Police arrested the man after the victims, who are neigh-

bors of the suspect, reported the theft and named him as a suspect because they hired him to do some painting in their home. Police later found the suspect parked in a vehicle on Chalfonte. A search of the man discovered two pills.

He was taken into custody.

—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

### Kitchen fire

At 5:54 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, the fire department responded to a kitchen fire in the 1000 block of Maryland. The fire was caused by food burning in the oven and was put out with a dry chemical extinguisher.

### Going nowhere

Police are investigating the theft of four tires and wheels taken from a 2007 Dodge Magnum. The incident occurred overnight on Saturday, Sept. 15 in the 500 block of Pemberton.

### Crime of convenience

Overnight on Friday, Sept. 14, a door was left unlocked at a home in the 700 block of Bedford. An unknown person entered the house and took an iPod, Hewlett-Packard laptop computer, a Samsung cell phone and a Sony hand held game system. Police are investigating.

### Cars stolen

Police are investigating the thefts of three motor vehicles

during the past week.

Between 5 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 11 and 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 12, a 1996 Mercury Marquis parked on the street in the 700 block of Barrington was taken.

Between 5:30 and 10:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 11, a 1998 Jeep was stolen from the corner of Somerset and Mack. The Roseville Police Department reported the vehicle recovered before it was reported stolen by its owner.

Between 11:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 14, and 1:45 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 15, a burgundy 2000 Jeep Cherokee parked on the street in the 600 block of Westchester was stolen.

—Beth Quinn

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

## Grosse Pointe Woods

### No plate, no license

At 11:27 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, police stopped a 1993 Ford pickup without a license plate on Harper.

Police also learned that the 23-year-old driver was operating the vehicle with a suspended license.

The driver was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license and operating a vehicle without a license plate.

### Weighing in

At 1:53 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, police stopped a car on Harper and Woodmont for having a burned out brake light.

The driver was not able to produce proper identification. After questioning by officers, it was determined the 22-year-old Detroit resident was wanted for probation violations.

Special arrangements had to be made to transport the driver to the station, as he weighed 560 pounds. It was

also determined that his 27-year-old passenger had violated the terms of his parole by associating with a felon and leaving his house between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

### Driving drunk

At 3:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, police saw a 1998 Chevrolet weaving in and out of traffic while speeding on Mack near Kenmore. After pulling the car over, police said the driver appeared to be intoxicated.

The 25-year-old driver registered a .12 on a breath test. She was arrested, and the car was impounded.

### Barking dog

At 12:20 a.m. Friday, Sept. 14, police responded to a complaint of a barking dog on Moorland.

After speaking with the owner, it was determined that she had already been warned by the animal control officer about the barking and leaving the dog outside for long periods of time. Police issued her a ticket.

—Kathy Ryan

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

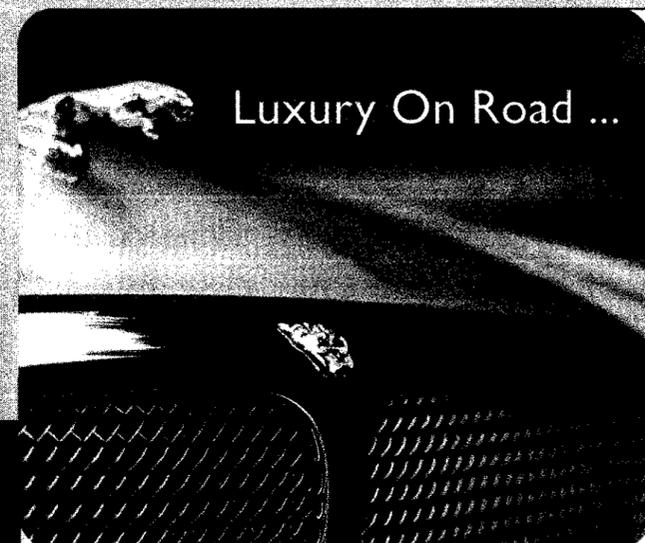
### Anniversary

Sgt. James Vogler is celebrating 16 years with the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department. He joined on Sept. 20, 1991.

### Congratulations

Lt. John Kretzchmar of Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department recently earned a Master of Science degree in public administration for Central Michigan University.

He attended classes while maintaining his responsibilities as a shift commander.



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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.

## Katherine Gee

Katherine Gee, 87, of Grosse Pointe Park, died Thursday, Sept. 5, 2007, at St. John Hospital in Detroit.

She was born in Detroit to Harry and Ethel Gee. She graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1936. In 1941 she earned her bachelor's degree in education from Wayne State University. She taught home economics in the Detroit Public Schools before earning a master's degree in social work from Columbia University in 1945. She continued with the Detroit Public Schools as a social worker until she retired in 1982.

Miss Gee was involved in numerous organizations including the Detroit branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom for which she served as president for five years. She also served on the board of the U.S. section of the same association. She was a member of the Detroit Area Nuclear Weapons Freeze Group, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the Episcopal Peace Fellowship and the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Wayne State University.

Miss Gee also was a member of the Detroit Women's Forum, the Women's Economic Club, the League of Women Voters and the Friends of Asian Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts, a charter member of the National Association of Social Workers and the Women's Association of the Grosse Pointe Symphony. She was involved with the Friends of Vision and started the Bartimaeus Fellowship, a support group for the blind, which met at Christ Church.

She is survived by her niece, Suzanne Gee, M.D., and nephew, Jeffery Gee, M.D.

She was predeceased by her brother, Harry J. Gee.

Miss Gee's remains were donated to the Wayne State University Department of Anatomy. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 29, at 12:30 p.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or U.S. Fund for UNICEF, unicefusa.org, 333 East 38th Street, New York, NY 10016.

## Richard Francis Hamilton

Richard Francis Hamilton, 63, died Friday, Aug. 24, 2007 in Sarasota, Fla.

Mr. Hamilton was born Sept. 8, 1943, in Kalamazoo to Francis and Wilda Hamilton. He lived in Michigan, Washington, Wisconsin and Florida during his lifetime.

Of all of his interests, his son Scott and his grandchildren brought the most happiness to him. He also loved reading and researching history and had a lifelong love for the University of Michigan and the Green Bay Packers organization of which he was a shareholder.

Mr. Hamilton is survived by his sister, Carol L. Hutchison of Wisconsin; his son, Scott (Margaret Flanagan); and two grandchildren, Michael and Katie Rose Hamilton of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mr. Hamilton was predeceased by his parents, Francis and Wilda Hamilton.

Arrangements were handled by Toale Brothers Funeral Home, Colonial Chapel in Florida. A funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Sept. 29, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will follow at St. Paul Catholic Church Columbarium in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Family members request that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Tidewell Hospice, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238.

## Marvin Arthur Mezger

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Marvin Arthur Mezger, 68, died Friday, Sept. 14, 2007.

Mr. Mezger was born in Cottage Hospital, Aug. 17, 1939, to Geraldine and Marvin Chester Mezger.

He graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1957 and earned his bachelor's degree from Michigan State University where he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

He served as an Air Force Reserve reservist in the Air National Guard. He was a volunteer with the Michigan Humane Society, a member of MENSA Society and a member of the Detroit Police Reserves.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne; daughters Dr. Susan (Kurt) Adams, Kristina (Christopher) Boni, and Dr. Barbara Mezger. He is remembered as a loving Papa by his grandchildren Katerina and Nicholas. He also is survived by his sister Barbara (George) Nancarrow.

He was predeceased by his parents.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 18, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial donations may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

## Eloise 'Tinker' Mezger

City of Grosse Pointe resident Eloise "Tinker" Mezger, 78, died on Friday, Sept. 14, 2007, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

She was born, Oct. 13, 1928, at the Cradle in Evanston, Ill., where she was adopted by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Franklin Hunt. She grew up in Danville, Penn. and attended the Baldwin School in Bryn Mawr, Penn., Connecticut College and Katherine Gibbs Business College in Boston.

She met and married Dr. Eugene Mezger in Danville, where he was a resident in pathology at the Geisinger Medical Center. They subsequently moved to Grosse Pointe where he continued his training at Henry Ford Hospital.

In 1960, the family moved to Lakeland, Fla., where her husband took up his practice while Mrs. Mezger was a housewife and mother of four children. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and volunteered in the emergency room at Lakeland General Hospital where friends and family say her engaging, cheerful manner and bright smile helped allay much of the pain and anxiety felt by the patients.

Mrs. Mezger was an avid reader, especially of detective novels, an enthusiastic traveller and a delightful companion.

## Lake levels

The following lake levels as of Sept. 14 are offered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

Currently, Lake Superior is 6 inches below its level of a year ago, while lakes Michigan, Huron, St. Clair and Erie are 2 to 4 inches lower than last year's levels. Lake Ontario is 9 inches below its level of one year ago.

Lake Superior, Michigan and Huron are predicted to drop 1 and 2 inches, respectively, over the next 30 days. Lakes St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario are projected to decline 4 to 6 inches over the next month. Each lake is forecasted to be below their water levels of a year ago during the next few months.

Alerts: Mariners should utilize navigation charts and refer to current water level readings.

She loved the excitement of big cities, the theater and art museums and had her own small collection of fine paintings. She was a gourmet cook, but also loved gourmet restaurants. Her friends ranged from ages 3 to 103.

The family returned to Grosse Pointe in 1976. Here, in addition to her other activities, she assisted in the Logos Program at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. She also was a volunteer, teaching illiterate persons to read. Before her untimely death, she was considering working in a partnership program with underprivileged children.

Mrs. Mezger is survived by her husband; daughters, Cynthia Ramsey (Sergio Gueller), and Elise (Ray Weldon); son, Hunt (Takea); and three grandchildren, Sara, Nicholas and Nyle.

A memorial service will be at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, on Friday, Sept. 21, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. Interment will be in Danville, Penn.

Donations may be made to the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, or the Cradle Foundation, 270 Ridge Ave., Evanston, IL 60201.

## Jill Defoe Moran

Jill Defoe Moran, 63, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died Thursday, Sept. 13, 2007, at her home surrounded by her family, after losing a 21-year battle with breast cancer.

She was born in Bay City on May 19, 1944, to Thomas and Marjorie Germaine Defoe. She spent her childhood in Bay City before attending William Woods College for Women in Missouri and the Northwood Institute in Midland.

Mrs. Moran relocated to Grosse Pointe Farms in 1967 where she spent the remainder of her life. With four children,



Katherine Gee



Marvin Arthur Mezger



Eloise 'Tinker' Mezger

Mrs. Moran involved herself in her children's school and sports activities. Her community involvement included the Junior League of Detroit and the Tau Beta Association.

Mrs. Moran had a life-long interest in children's charities as well as a penchant for gardening. Her family and friends said her yard was ablaze in beauty throughout the seasons and they admired her lovely flowers.

Mrs. Moran's career in real estate spanned 13 years with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate and Sine & Monaghan GMAC. Those who knew her said her real estate career was the perfect match for one who had a great love for and involvement with family and friends.

Mrs. Moran's family was significant to Michigan history due to the Defoe Shipbuilding Co. of Bay City (founded in 1905 as Defoe Boat and Motor Works).

The company began its history selling kit boats through the mail. Following WWI, the shipyard became a major builder of custom steel-hull motor yachts, including yachts for auto barons and a presidential yacht, the Williamsburg, that served four presidents from Dwight Eisenhower to Richard Nixon.

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She is survived by her children, James H. Dingeman III (Gay), Michael D. Dingeman, Darby E. Moran (fiance Cameron Piggott), and John D. Moran III; grandchildren Miles and Lily Dingeman; brother Thomas E. Defoe (Ginny) and sister Kathy Defoe Pilditch and many loving nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Moran was predeceased by her husband, John D. Moran Jr., and her parents.

Memorial services were held on Wednesday, Sept. 19, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Childhelp, for the Call Center, 15757 N. 78th, Scottsdale, AZ 85260 or Tau Beta Association for the Children's Center c/o Susan Griffin, Treasurer, 962 Berkshire, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

## Clifford W. Shock

Clifford W. Shock, 83, of St. Clair Shores, died Monday, Sept. 17, 2007, in Bon Secours Hospital, City of Grosse Pointe.



Jill Defoe Moran

Mr. Shock was born in Grosse Pointe Park and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School. He owned and operated Shock Brothers Tree Service for the past 58 years.

Mr. Shock is survived by Ruth, his wife of 62 years; daughter Marie (Larry) Kumert; son, Greg; grandchildren Stephanie (Jason) Jacob, Nicholas Shock, Linsey Shock; and great-grandchildren Griffin, Mackenzie and Nicholas.

He also is survived by brothers George (Gladys), Lawrence (Evelyn), Paul (Dolores), Jerome (Pat), and Don. He was predeceased by brothers Nick, David and Charles and his sister, Mary Kohl.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, Sept. 20, at 10 a.m. at St. Lucy Church, 23401 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Entombment will be at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

## City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

### NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 190

On September 10, 2007 the City Council of Grosse Pointe Park (the "City Council") enacted Ordinance No. 190 (the "Ordinance"), to become effective on October 1, 2007 which Ordinance provides for amendment of the zoning code, Chapter 27 of the City Code, with respect to incorporation of changes to the zoning code in conformance with Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, amendment of the zoning code with respect to recreational vehicles and the storage thereof, changes to the zoning code with respect to the construction and placement of fences, and changes to the schedule of regulations contained in the zoning code limiting height, bulk, density, and area by zoning district.

This summary of the Ordinance is published pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws Section 117.3 (k). True copies of the full text of the Ordinance and any law, regulation, code, or other material adopted by reference in such Ordinances are available for inspection or photocopying at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Park, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230

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## PEOPLE



**ROBERT J. DIEHL JR.**, a partner in the Detroit office of the law firm Bodman LLP, has been ranked as one of Michigan's leading business attorneys in the 2007 edition of "Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business."

He is the only attorney in Michigan to receive the highest rating possible in the category of banking and finance: bankruptcy. The publication also ranked Bodman as one of Michigan's top business law firms, including the highest possible firm ranking in banking and finance and corporate/m&a.

"Chambers" ranks leading individual attorneys and law firms in key practice areas based upon interviews with clients and peers at other law firms.

Diehl represents clients in complex business law matters and commercial transactions with a particular focus on debtor-creditor rights and bankruptcy.

He represents financial institutions in out-of-court workouts and in bankruptcy proceedings involving all types of businesses and collateral, especially automotive-related businesses, real estate, and construction businesses.

He is also listed in "The Best Lawyers in America" under banking law and under debtor-creditor rights and bankruptcy law.

Diehl is a Grosse Pointe Park resident.

**PEGGY SHRIVER** was recently hired by the Michigan Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society as its executive director.

She is joining a group of staff and volunteers in fulfilling the

society's mission of curing leukemia, Lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improving the quality of life for blood cancer patients and their families.

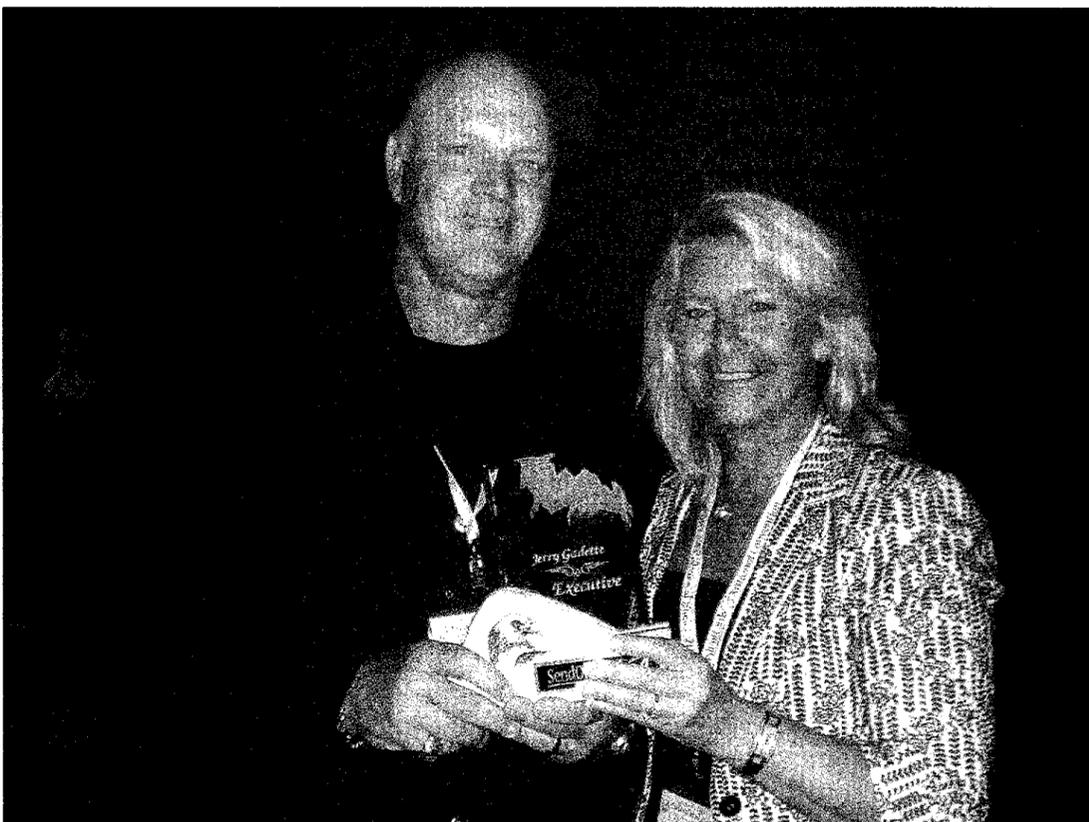
With offices serving west, east and northern Michigan, the Michigan chapter provides educational programs, patient services and financial aid to support patients and their families.

Shriver joins the society with more than 20 years of non-profit management experience. Her background includes special event planning, corporate solicitation, direct marketing and major gifts planning. She began her duties Sept. 4. Shriver lives in Grosse Pointe.

**JOHN OTRHALEK, DDS**, received the Fellowship Award during the Academy of General Dentistry's largest convocation ceremony, a commencement that recognizes members' commitment to excellence in dental education. Held at the academy's annual meeting and exhibits June 30 in San Diego, Otrhalek accepted this award along with more than 350 other recipients.

The Fellowship Award is presented to dentists looking to provide the highest quality of dental care by remaining current in their profession. In order to receive this award, Otrhalek completed 500 hours of continuing membership with the academy.

Otrhalek graduated from the University of Detroit in 1978 and currently practices dentistry in Harper Woods. In addition to the AGD, he is a member of the American Dental Association, Michigan Dental Association, Detroit Dental Society, American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry and the Christian Dental Society. He resides in Grosse Pointe Shores.



## Honored

Janet Peppler, right, and her husband Jerry Gadette, were recently honored with the Eagles Nest Award as well as an award for achieving executive level in the company during the SendOutCards Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah. Using the company slogan, "Changing lives one card at a time," Peppler and Gadette of Peppler Insurance Agency have built their business sending out cards wishing goodwill and good feelings.

## Business group schedules talk

The Detroit Entrepreneurship Institute and Jefferson East Business Association will sponsor "Marketing in a slow economy," at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the institute, 1010 Antietam, Detroit.

The guest speaker is Kim Monts, public relations manager for Monts Media, a local marketing communications agency.

Monts will share with small business owners the importance of "consistently executing your marketing plan" and staying in the public's view.

"Studies show that businesses tend to use the services of businesses that they are more familiar with, or whose name they are aware of," said Monts. "This means that during times when watching or cutting back on your budget is a key priority, marketing is

one area that you may want to increase."

A few marketing tips Monts suggests to help ensure the retention or possible increase in business are:

◆ Be "newsworthy" — plan or develop an event for your business that the media will be interested in covering.

◆ Network — attend events (meetings, forums, seminars) where potential customers are likely to be in attendance.

◆ Sponsorship — look for opportunities to have your company's name displayed on t-shirts, banners, programs, booklets, etc.

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## Small business news

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According to the Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council, a Washington, D.C., nonprofit advocacy group, Michigan was ranked No. 10 on its top-10 list of states most hospitable to small businesses. The rankings were based on the states' low government regulations and taxes on small businesses.

But there's another factor that favors entrepreneurs in Michigan and elsewhere across the country: If they have an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or other tax-deferred retirement savings (like a 401(k)), they can use those funds to purchase a business or

franchise.

And, when structured by a qualified account facilitator, those retirement monies can be accessed before retirement age to make that purchase without incurring early distribution penalties.

By a fortuitous allowance in 1974's Employee Retirement Income Security Act, such purchases are considered by the IRS as qualified retirement account investments. When retirement funds are used in this manner, the transaction is similar to an IRA investing in traditional stocks and bonds, so the money removed from the account isn't hit with distribution taxes or penalties.

Using one's own retirement money to purchase a business also provides a means for com-

pany profits to be used as investment returns for that retirement account.

In this way, a business owner's nest egg grows along with the success of their business. The tax-deferred contributions made to the retirement account from company profits could potentially save the business thousands of dollars in taxes.

Ted Parsons of Battle Creek found this method to be the perfect means for purchasing his Big Apple Bagels franchise. He worked with retirement account facilitator Guidant Financial Group of Bellevue, Wash. to set up the appropriate account structure.

The benefits of purchasing a business or franchise using retirement monies are many. It lowers overhead, saves money, expands retirement accounts, and even enables business owners to offer a 401(k) to their employees.

It also allows for multi-party purchases, so it's ideal for husband and wife teams. Or, if funds are limited, those shopping for a business or franchise could supplement their retirement money with loans and other financing to make the purchase.

Restructuring a retirement account to allow for a business or franchise purchase is a document-heavy process that usually involves rollovers and the creation of a corporation and/or new retirement accounts, all of which must follow government guidelines. It's strongly recommended that investors use the services of account facilitators skilled in this area.

For those who are on the fence about self-employment, now may be the ideal time to take the leap. By combining the benefits of these retirement account structures with the benefits of living in Michigan, new business owners could find themselves firmly planted.

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## GROSSE POINTE FARMS

# Chamber technology forum enlightens

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The message is simple — now is the time to be included in technology advancements before getting left in the dark.

Technology experts gave that advice to those who attended last week's Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Tech Forum at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

"We feel it was important to talk about technology improvements," said moderator and chamber representative Butch Wardwell. "We strictly feel technology is our best friend."

Taking the stance that technology is "vital to supporting the entrepreneurial success" of the business community, the chamber has adopted a policy to encourage its use.

Members further asked to "implement programs that promote our community as an outstanding community in which to live and work and one that embraces developments in technology."

WildBlue recently began offering high-speed Internet via satellite service in the Grosse Pointes through its new satellite, WildBlue-1.

WildBlue offers access speeds that are up to 30 times faster than dial-up.

WiFi has also been introduced to Grosse Pointe customers. This is another company that offers high-speed Internet and a choice for consumers.

"We consider ourselves a high-tech community," said Washtenaw County Deputy Director Dave Behen. "We did more research into going wireless. It took some time and patience, but we're finally on the right track and by the spring of 2008, the entire county will be wireless. This is fantastic news



Grosse Pointe Woods resident Jon Peterson, above, works for AT & T and says improved gadgets are on their way to the Pointes.

and it is something that can be done here in the Grosse Pointes."

Behen also said technology improvements help government, education and business collaborate to create a more cohesive city.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Jon Peterson works with

AT&T and said the company has the latest technological advancements, including high-speed Internet and cell phones that allow users to text, get e-mail and access the Internet.

"How do we bring all of these technologies together to make our lives better," Peterson said. "Competition is

good for consumers."

Peterson said he saw results of a study that indicated 72 percent of teenagers ages 13 to 16 have cell phones.

John Ogren, CEO and managing partner of SpeedNet, was a panelist. Ogren and Grosse Pointe Shores resident Bob Liggett have taken

SpeedNet and turned it into Michigan's largest wireless ISP, he said.

"We can use technology for more mobility," Ogren said. "When we opened our business, our slogan was 'Go fast, save cash.' We're integrating the Grosse Pointe communities and giving customers the

chance to have high-speed Internet."

Joel Bell, account manager for Sprint/Nextel, was the final panelist to speak.

He said it's amazing how teenagers know more about technology than adults.

"When I was a kid, I could watch only one of six channels on television," Bell said. "Now, I can watch one of 700 channels and can use my cell phone to get on the Internet and so much more."

"However, our teens are better able to access this new technology because they have been brought up with it."

An audience consisting of city and school officials and public safety directors listened, took notes and asked questions.

Dan Jensen, Grosse Pointe Farms public safety director, brought up the fact that the technology boom is great, but criminals are right behind.

"It doesn't take hackers long at all to break into the latest technology gadgets," Jensen said. "Stealing someone's personal information over the Internet is one of the fastest growing crimes in the country."

Jensen also asked the panelists to consider the dangers of using cell phones while driving a motor vehicle.

"People aren't concentrating on driving because they're too busy talking on their cell phone," Jensen said. "Technology is great, but laws have to be passed regarding cell phone and motor vehicle use. It's a dangerous combination."

Each of the four panelists agreed that bringing the five Grosse Pointe communities into the latest technology boom is essential to the overall growth in three facets, government, education and business.

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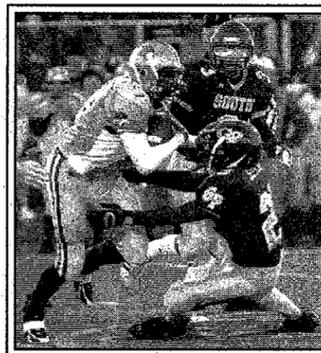


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A group of 100 women gathered 75 years ago to further the education, cultivation and appreciation of the arts. Today, the members of **Ibex** continue the original goals but with updated ideas.

# Climbing heights

By Debra Pascoe  
Special Writer

Referencing cultured ladies as "very lusty" certainly wouldn't fly today.

But 75 years ago when Ibex, an organization of women "committed to the education, cultivation and appreciation of the arts," was formed, the term was widely accepted to mean characterized by healthy vigor.

Sue Martin, an Ibex member for 18 months, chortled at the words used to describe the group in a 1932 local newspaper article.

She'd prefer energetic, educated and inspiring.

With an Ibex serving as its emblem and inspiration, the club modeled itself after the mountain goat in its endeavor to ascend peaks. And it continues to do so.

Martin explained the group's mission is to expand on the membership's creative talents and their commitment to the arts by exposing them



Past presidents of the 75-year-old Ibex organization include, in the front row, Jackie Caskey, Helen Winslow, Patricia Burnett, Kay Champion, Bettie Gauss, Kay Buehring, Curl Tutag, Mary Lou Willets; back row, Susan Verccruysse, Evelyn Montgomery, Anne Parcels, Sarah Hill, Ellen Millich, Grace Blain, Janet Ferguson, Johanna Moore-Cudlip, Nancy Tewes, Lynn Turner, Michele Klippstein, Kathy Anslow, Susan Davis, Nancy Renick, Jean Coyle and Nan Sparrow.

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## MEETINGS

## LWV

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe welcomes the public to its 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27, meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The topic will be "US Immigration Policy for the 21st century."

Immigration attorneys John E. English and Thomas A. Bassett will discuss the facets of the complex immigration issue as part of the local league's participation in the League of Women Voters of the United States study on the topic.

At its last national convention, delegates from leagues around the country voted to proceed with a study on immigration. Formulating a national policy involves determining a grass root consensus amongst league chapters nationwide. With immigration in the forefront of political discussion, delegates at the national convention agreed it is time for the league to take part in the debate.

League members will explore the underlying values and principles regarding immigration, reasons for immigration, current federal immigration policy and the impact of immigration in American society. Other related topics covered in the study will include:

- ◆ business and economic effects and impact
  - ◆ diversity
  - ◆ effects of global interdependence on migration
  - ◆ motivation of refugees, asylees and other immigrants
- Grosse Pointe members will determine their chapter's consensus on the various aspects of immigration policy in

January. A national position, based on grass roots input, will be announced in the spring.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is a cosponsor of the event.

## Garden center

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center is observing the conclusion of this year's theme, "Captivating Combinations," from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, in the Alger House of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The speaker will be Don Schulte on nature photography.

Tea and sweets will be served at 1 p.m., awards at 1:30 p.m. and the speaker at 2 p.m.

The club will accept orders for amaryllis bulbs.

The event is free, although reservations are required and may be made by calling (313) 881-7500, ext. 206.

## Chamber music

The 2007-08 season of Grosse Pointe Chamber Music begins at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Performers include Grosse Pointers Terese Edelstein and Ann Roberts performing the "Sonata No. 1 in F Major" for violin and piano by Edvard Grieg.

The "Sonata in D Minor" for violin and piano by Robert Schumann will be presented by Gerda Bielitz and Ellis Rifkin.

Highlighting the recital will be a premier performance by the Grosse Pointe Viola

Ensemble to honor and celebrate the 80th birthday of program commentator and long-time member John Miller.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association sponsors the series of eight concerts. Tickets are available at the door for \$8 and \$4 for students 6 to 15. Annual memberships for \$22 serve as season tickets.

For more information, call (313) 885-4633.

## Poetry series

The Doghouse Poetry Series with Robert Fanning is a six-week poetry course from 10 a.m. to noon beginning Oct. 6, at Marick Press House. Sign-up deadline is Sept. 29.

For more information, go to seedthievery@gmail.com.

## Windmill Pointe

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, at the City Kitchen for a subscription lunch. The program will be "Autumn Jewels," presented by Cheryl English of the Detroit Garden Club.

## Pointe Knitters

Pointe Knitters meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. The program will be mosaic slip stitch in two colors. Knitters of all levels are welcome.

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

## Fabric sale

Fabrics of every kind will be sold during the Arts & Scraps three ton fabric sale.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Chamber music at the Scarab Club begins on Sunday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, featuring, from left, Nadine Deleury, Velda Kelly, James Greer and Lillian Scheirich.

Saturday, Sept. 22, buy a grocery bag full of fabric for \$7. Admission is \$1. From 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, and Thursday, Sept. 27, a bag of fabric costs \$7. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, bags will cost \$4. New fabrics will be added daily.

There will be tapestry/upholstery, samples, cottons, retro, large rolls of padded fabric and vinyl, satin with iron-on backing and denim.

Volunteer for four hours any of the first three days and get a bag for \$4; on Sept. 29, get a bag free.

Also on Sept. 29, shoppers can find new items, toys, games, arts and craft items, home decor, holiday items, baskets and stuffed animals.

There will also be specials at the resource center. Ceramic tiles will be priced at 10 cents, three-ring binders at 25 cents, red plastic buckets at three for

\$1 and 11- by 17-inch picture frames for \$1.

The sale supports the educational programs at the Detroit non-profit organization.

Arts & Scraps is located at 16135 Harper.

Donations are welcome during the sale. No clothing or books will be accepted.

For more information, call Shawna at (313) 640-4411, ext. 4.

## Fiber classes

Knitting teacher and author Sally Melville will be at the Wool and the Floss, 397 Fisher, City of Grosse Pointe, to teach two classes.

From 9 a.m. to noon she will discuss first choices and basic shapes; the 1 to 4 p.m. class centers around borders and buttonholes. For more information or to register, call (313)

882-9110.

On Saturday, Oct. 6, she will be at Artisan Knitworks, 15222B E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

The 9 a.m. to noon class will be creativity and the 1 to 4 p.m. class will be advanced shaping. For more information or to register, call (313) 823-4132.

The cost is \$65 for one class; both classes cost \$110.

## 2007 Holiday Mart

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will be the site for nearly 30 vendors from across the United States showcasing their merchandise at the 2007 Holiday Mart, Oct. 11 through 14.

A gala patron party is from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11. It includes hors d'oeuvres

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to a variety of art forms ranging from theater, fine arts and arts and crafts to gardening and home decorating.

In its beginnings, the club was limited to 100 members and met for teas and card games.

Articles published in that era often described the fashions members wore to these gatherings right down to the kid gloves, sometimes over the top hats and black pumps.

While members today continue with fashion trends, their focus is far from a men-

tion on the society pages of yore.

Members, Martin explained, still focus on their own self improvement and education and appreciation of the arts but have expanded their outreach to include annual scholarships to support women pursuing higher education in the arts.

Most recently, the estate of Mary Jane Combrinck-Graham, a member of the organization since 1940, made a contribution to the Ibex Scholarship Fund.

Martin explained the scholarships are typically funded by current member contributions.

While not a service organization, Ibex in its 75 year history has contributed to Children's Hospital of Detroit, the American Red Cross, Detroit Community Music

School and the Foundation for Exceptional Children.

It was also a major contributor to the arts wing at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and the restoration of Orchestra Hall.

Becoming a member of Ibex isn't as simple as writing a check for membership dues, Martin said. Potential members must be "under 46" and introduced to the club by a current member or "proposer." The candidate is then asked to attend events sponsored by Ibex to get to know current members who will later, in essence, vote the person in.

Martin, who has had a lifelong interest in the arts, especially music, was introduced to Ibex by a friend who suggested the club could afford her more opportunities to explore her musical talents and exposure to other art forms.

"She felt that I would benefit from it because I enjoy attending the arts and other cultural activities and this would be a good opportunity for me to participate in the activities that I enjoy," she said.

Martin said she quickly saw how membership would add to her current cultural activities and expand her own educational horizons.

"I think we have a lot of arts and cultural activities available to us, but because we get involved with our families, we don't take the time to do it," she said.

With a number of committees falling under the Ibex umbrella, Martin said there are at least two activities each month planned for members.

The group recently toured the Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Fenton and has planned an upcoming trip to the Art Gallery of Windsor featuring a one hour tour of an architecture exhibit.

As the club has progressed, so have the ages of members, Martin said.

To keep the club going, women who may not have a "proposer" can apply for consideration.

"People will probably be surprised at how many women they currently know are members of Ibex," she said.

Those interested in joining the group can call membership chairman Jill Wells at (313) 881-5058.

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by kathleen stevenson

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# Dance provides funding for three organizations

By Ann L. Fouty  
Acting Features Editor

Three nonprofit organizations will benefit from the fourth annual Fall Charity Fundraiser hosted by St. Paul on the Lake Knights of Columbus 12121 on Saturday, Sept. 22.

St. Frances Cabrini Clinic at Most Holy Trinity Church, St. Aloysius Community Center on Washington Boulevard and the Knights of Columbus Blue Ribbon Scholarship fund at St. Paul's will share in the money raised during the dance party at Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores.

The Knights decided to include a silent auction, but retain the supper and dessert stations, said Bob Haran, event organizer.

The Tim Hewitt Group Band

will provide the music for the evening's activities, which begin at 6:30 p.m. with registration, a reception and cocktails. There will be a silent auction, door prizes, including a television, followed by a strolling supper. Master of ceremonies for the evening is Don Armbruster, who, along with his wife, are donating a week to Branson, Missouri.

Local artist James Peery has donated a painting valued at more than \$4,000. Other auction items include a foursome at the Country Club of Detroit, a complete Thanksgiving turkey dinner prepared by chefs at the Detroit Athletic Club, a pen and ink drawing of your home by Donna Hamill of Grosse Pointe Farms, a Gordie Howe hockey stick donated by Kim Nehra and Michael Smith, a man's diamond ring

from Pat Scott Jewelers, a tour of Indian Village homes and several automotive and sports related items.

In the past, the Knights of Columbus has held art auctions which Haran said have been successful. This year, the committee decided to head in a different direction with the auction and dancing.

Also new this year is adding the St. Francis Cabrini Clinic as one of the fundraiser's benefactors.

"It's a natural fit," Haran said.

With a small budget of \$200,000, the clinic provides the working poor a place to go where a variety of health concerns addressed, he said.

Bob Pertus, a member of the clinic's board brought the clinic to the attention of the Knights of which he also a

member.

It is the oldest free clinic in the United States, located on Sixth Street in Detroit. Since 1950, it has provided free primary health care to poor, uninsured adults in southwest Detroit's Corktown neighborhood, who are falling through the health care safety net, he said.

Four employees work with a volunteer staff of more than 100 doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other health care professionals. Cabrini Clinic offers medical clinics three times a week, a mental health clinic once a week and monthly foot care and physical exams.

It provides more than \$3 million of free medication to uninsured persons through its prescription assistance program.

Run by Sister Mary Ellen

Howard, a registered nurse, it is supported by churches, organizations, individuals and grants.

St. Aloysius has been a recipient of the Knights fundraisers in the past. It provides outreach to the most indigent with meals and assistance with items such as socks, blankets, coats and shoes. It serves 2,000 meals a week.

Both St. Aloysius and Cabrini Clinic have seen an uptick in the number of people they serve, Haran said.

"Both these organizations do not have huge benefactors but are doing God's work," Haran said. "They can use the funding and pat on the back."

As for choosing St. Paul's school to be a beneficiary, it is the intention the Knights of Columbus and families who want their children to get a

Catholic education.

St. Paul's School, which serves preschool through fifth graders will also benefit from the fundraiser in the form of scholarships.

The Blue Ribbon scholarship fund was begun last year. Hanan said he is excited the fundraiser is offering musical entertainment to its supporters.

When the band takes a break, a live auction with such items to bid on as sunglasses, a week's stay in an Orlando condo, dinner out in Detroit packages, gift certificates to local restaurants and of art.

The \$65 tickets are still available from any Knights of Columbus member or by calling Bob Haran at (313) 319-9955 or Greg Leslie at (313)642-1849 or the parish office.

## Walk with the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society

By Ann L. Fouty  
Acting Features Editor

Grosse Pointers love their pets.

Family members play with goldens, labs and poodles, sheep dogs, collies and Westies are groomed and spoiled. More importantly, families walk their dogs while enjoying neighborhood sights and sounds.

Families find they are graciously owned by cats who allow humans to pet and fuss over them.

With that in mind, pet owners are invited to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society's fourth annual Spay Neuter Awareness Walk on Sunday, Sept. 30, on the grounds of the Children's Home of Detroit.

Event organizer Dorothy Fleming said the fundraiser and awareness campaign began in 2004.

"We wanted to do something different and focus on spaying and neutering," she said.

Fleming went on to say that shelters are overburdened because there are too many pets and not enough homes to adopt all the cats and dogs. The walk focuses on the need to reduce the animal population through sterilization.

"We take in what we have room for. In Grosse Pointe,



The David Oliver family of Grosse Pointe Woods adopted Chihuahua "Little Harry" from the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

there is a problem," she said.

The adoption society is a foster-based, non-euthanasia group. Before an adoption is completed, the group makes sure the animal is either spayed or neutered.

To offset the group's costs, the fundraising walk was instituted during which pet lovers can attend, bringing their dogs on a short lease. The suggested donation to walk one, two or three miles is \$10 or \$20 for a family, if do-

nations are not collected.

Some \$5,000 was raised last year.

The first 50 people who register will receive a goodie bag. Individual and team prizes will be awarded during the day.

Random prizes will also be awarded.

Tenth anniversary items will be on sale during the day, as will other pet-related items.

For more information, call (313) 884-1551.

## MEETINGS: Something for everyone

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and beverages donated by local restaurants. Tickets are \$75 in advance and \$85 at the door, with unlimited weekend access.

Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 12 and 13 and noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 14. General daily admission is \$5 at the door.

The event supports Planned Parenthood of Southeast Michigan community-based education programs.

Honorary chairs are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Schrashun.

Chairpersons are Jody Kommel, Sarah Kreisler and Jennifer Mitchell.

For more information or to purchase preview party tickets, call (313) 810-1255.

### Scarab Club

Two harps and a string quartet open the 10th season of the Chamber Music at the Scarab Club at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee.

The harp duo of Patricia Terry-Ross and Maurice Draughn will perform works by Gershwin, Salzedo and Granados.

Violinists Lillian Scheirich and Velda Kelly, violist James

Greer and cellist Nadine Deleury present the American premier of "Quatuor" by Andre Gedalge.

Tickets are \$20 at the door, \$18 in advance and \$10 for students.

For tickets and more information, call (248) 474-8930.

### Jazz Forum

The Jazz Forum begins its 2007 fall concert series at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 3, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, with Ron Kischuk-Ed Gooch Quintet featuring Tad Weed on piano, Jeff Halsey on bass, Dave Taylor on drums and singer Sue Taylor.

Advance individual tickets by mail are \$13 and \$15 at the door. For the series of three concerts, tickets are \$35.

For more information call (313) 961-1714.

The Nov. 7 concert features the Paul Keller Quintet and the Dec. 5 concert will have the Buddy Budson Sextet.

### Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe features Barbara Fisher, a licensed psychologist specializing in neuropsychology, at its Thursday, Sept. 27, meeting at a Grosse Pointe private club.

Socializing begins at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m.

Fisher is a board certified in behavioral sleep medicine, providing treatment for sleep disorders affecting children and adults.

To make reservations, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855 by Monday, Sept. 24. For more information, call Marcia Pikeleik at (313) 884-4201.

### Children focused

The second annual Nino Salvaggio Charitable Foundation for Children in Need will be held at 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 29, at Nino Salvaggio International Marketplace, 17496 Hall, Clinton Township.

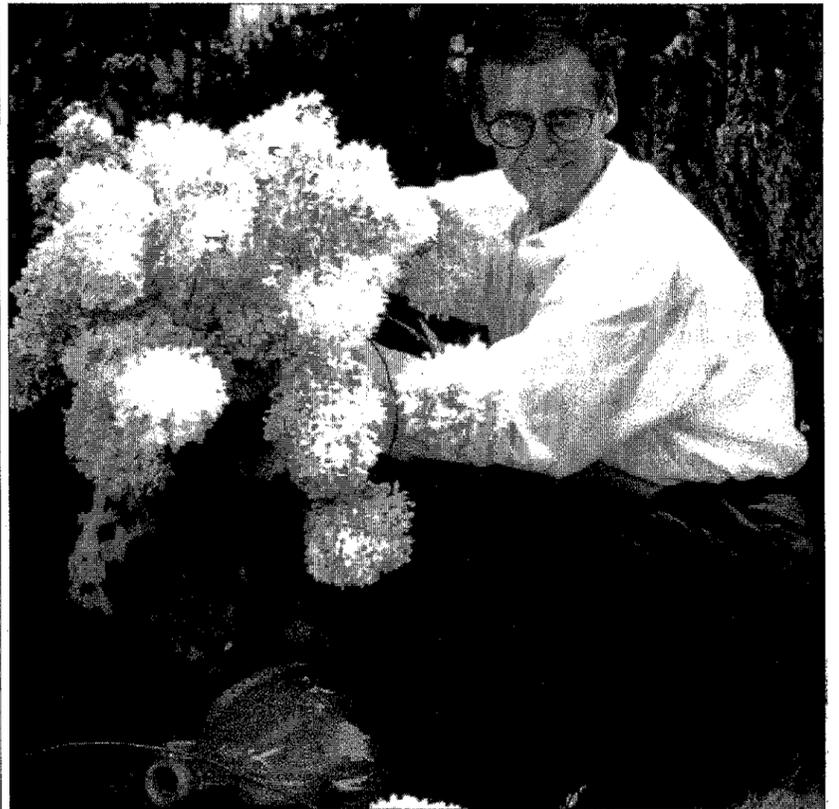
The evening will include entertainment and Salvaggio signature food stations.

The foundation was founded by the late Salvaggio for the purpose of providing aid to children who may be sick, disabled or impoverished and now lead by Andrea Salvaggio Nicolella, formerly of Grosse Pointe Shores.

The foundation focuses on local children's charities such as Wigs 4 Kids and Champions for Life children's camp.

Board members include Mr. and Mrs. Leo Salvaggio, formerly of Grosse Pointe Shores, Theresa Salvaggio of Grosse Pointe Farms and Angie Bournias of Grosse Pointe Shores.

For ticket information and reservations, call Rina at (586) 778-3650.



Benny Campbell of Attalla Florist and Design is the featured speaker at Style, a Garden Club of Michigan flower show.

## Garden club hosts 'Style' flower show

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will burst into bloom as Style, a Garden Club of America flower show opens to the public from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4.

The show features floral designs of all shapes and sizes, an array of horticultural entries, photographs and a variety of conservation exhibits. Admission is free.

Visitors can also shop in the boutique and eat in the café.

One of the highlights of the

day will be a lecture and demonstration by noted Southern floral designer Benny Campbell of Attalla Florist and Design. Celebrated throughout the South for his designs, Campbell's presentation will be entitled "Sophisticated Southern Style."

His work has been featured in national publications including "Southern Accents," "Southern Bride" and "People." The lecture begins at 11 a.m. with a luncheon to

follow at the Grosse Pointe Club, located next door to the War Memorial.

Tickets for the lecture are \$20 and a lecture and luncheon package is available for \$45. Luncheon reservations are limited.

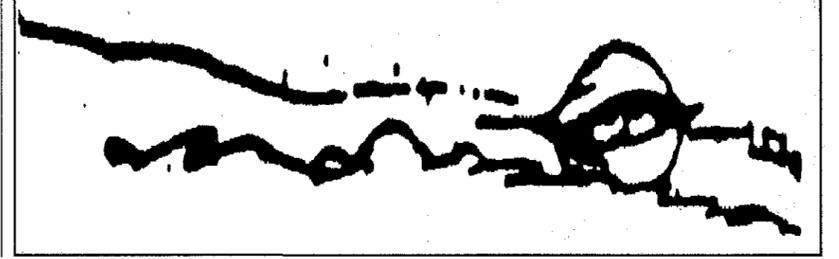
For lecture tickets, contact the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at (313) 881-7511. For information on the lecture and luncheon package or the show, call Liz Brown at (313) 882-9484 or Nancy Nicholson at (313) 886-4730.

# OYSTERFEST

## Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

Join the celebration where more than twenty excellent restaurants will be cooking up a storm and musicians will be making cool, blue sounds. It's the last fling of Summer before the Winter's cold so make sure you're there!

Oysterfest happens from 5 to 9 p.m. under the tent at 15215 Kercheval Avenue between Lakepointe and Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park. Tickets will be on sale at the entrance for \$25 per person - \$12 for children under twelve.



4B | HEALTH

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Ellen Brayton

# Weight is matter of appearance, health



**Q.** My child is gaining weight and is not as active as he used to be. What can I do to help without making him more conscious about his appearance?

**A.** You are right to be concerned not only about your son's appearance and feelings about himself but also for his health. And you are definitely not alone.

According to the U.S. Surgeon General, it's estimated that 13 percent of children aged 6 to 11 and 14 percent of adolescents 12 to 19 are overweight and are at risk for a number of health problems in-

cluding heart disease and type 2 diabetes. But the most immediate consequence of being overweight, as perceived by the children themselves, is social discrimination. This is associated with poor self-esteem and depression.

Most of us are aware of the causes: lack of physical activity, unhealthy eating patterns or a combination of the two, with genetics and lifestyle both playing important roles. Television, computer and video games contribute to children's inactive lifestyles. Forty-three percent of adolescents watch more than two hours of television each day.

Some things you can do to help him feel better about himself: Let your child know he or she is loved and appreciated whatever his or her weight. Overweight children need

support, acceptance, and encouragement from their parents.

Focus on your child's health and positive qualities, not your child's weight. Try not to make your child feel different if he or she is overweight but focus on gradually changing your family's physical activity and eating habits.

Be a good role model for your child. If your child sees you enjoying healthy foods and physical activity, he or she is more likely to do the same now and for the rest of his or her life.

Realize that an appropriate goal for many overweight children is to maintain their current weight while growing normally in height.

Some other ways you can help: Be physically active. Adults should get 30 minutes

and children 60 minutes of moderate physical activity most days of the week. Plan family activities that provide everyone with exercise and enjoyment.

Provide a safe environment for your children and their friends to play actively; encourage swimming, biking, skating, ball sports, and other fun activities.

Reduce the amount of time you and your family spend in sedentary activities, such as watching TV or playing video games. Limit TV time to less than 2 hours a day. Remember, children are great at copying what we do, so be a good role model.

Healthy eating suggestions: Follow the Dietary Guidelines for healthy eating [health.gov/dietaryguidelines](http://health.gov/dietaryguidelines).

Guide your family's choices

rather than dictate foods. Encourage your child to eat when hungry and to eat slowly. Eat meals together as a family as often as possible.

Carefully cut down on the amount of fat and calories in your family's diet. Avoid the use of food as a reward. Avoid withholding food as punishment.

Children should be encouraged to drink water and limit intake of beverages with added sugars, such as soft drinks, fruit juice drinks, and sports drinks.

Plan for healthy snacks. Stock the refrigerator with fat-free or low-fat milk, fresh fruit and vegetables instead of soft drinks or snacks that are high in fat, calories, or added sugars and low in essential nutrients. Aim to eat at least five servings of fruits and vegeta-

bles each day. Discourage eating meals or snacks while watching TV.

Eating a healthy breakfast is a good way to start the day and may be important in achieving and maintaining a healthy weight.

Weight control must be considered a lifelong effort. Remember, any weight management program for children should be supervised by a physician. But most of all, love your child.

Sometimes kids are just like adults. It's not just what we are eating — it's what's eating us!

Mail or e-mail your questions to: Mary Ellen Brayton, co-director, The Family Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236; (313) 432-3832; [Info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:Info@familycenterweb.org) or [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org)

## New board

Bon Secours Nursing Care Center President Sandra Vandenberghe, of Grosse Pointe Shores announced the new board members. They are: (seated, from left) Betsy Martin of Grosse Pointe Woods, Karen Hefferan of St. Clair Shores, Mickey Cross of Grosse Pointe Park, Jeanne Meathe of Grosse Pointe, (standing, from left) Carole Aldinger of Grosse Pointe Woods, Dorothea Williams of Grosse Pointe Farms, Christina Frederick of Grosse Pointe Woods, Vandenberghe, Pat Antonelli of Grosse Pointe Woods, Karen Quarnstrom of Grosse Pointe Shores, Jeri Ellis of Grosse Pointe Woods, Mary Lou LeFevre of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Jeri Petrella of St. Clair Shores. Members not photographed are: Jo An Allen, Kathleen Emery of Grosse Pointe, Helen Yager of Harper Woods, Grace VanAntwerp, Grace Breen of St. Clair Shores, Beverly Luttenberger of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Sally Vermeulen of Grosse Pointe Woods.



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## Fundraising supports health programs

**Kitchen tour**  
 Cottage Hospital Auxiliary's annual kitchen tour begins with a preview party from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29. It in-

cludes a tour of nine kitchens plus a light strolling supper, hors d'oeuvres, wine, cheese and desserts.

The tour continues from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30.

Pre-party tickets for patrons are \$335 and \$50 for a benefactor. General admission is \$15 in advance and \$20 on the day of the tour.

Tickets are on sale at the Cottage Hospital Gift Shop and Pointe Pedlar. No cameras or baby strollers are allowed on the tour.

team's Web page at [nami.org](http://nami.org).

**Hospice fundraiser**  
 The fifth annual St. John Hospice Oktoberfest begins with a 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, cocktail reception at the Grosse Pointe Club, 6 Berkshire, Grosse Pointe.

It will be followed by a dinner and silent auction.

Proceeds will go to the St. John Hospice program and benefit the Walk with ME pediatric palliative care program.

Tickets are \$75. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information, call Lorraine Owczarek at (586) 582-7509.

Gloria Kitchen, a 29-year-old native Grosse Pointer and cystic fibrosis patient is the chair of fundraiser.

The Oktoberfest dinner, from 6 to 11 p.m., will offer German cuisine with beer and wine. Guest speakers, dancing and a celebrity impersonator will provide entertainment.

There will also be a live and silent auction with a chance to win a week's vacation in the Caribbean.

For more information, call Kitchen at (313) 407-2165.

**NAMI walk**  
 Dr. Tom Coles of Grosse Pointe Woods is captain for EastSide National Alliance on Mental Illness team which will walk at 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, in the NAMI Walks on Belle Isle event.

The team will meet in front of the casino building at 10 a.m.

To join the team, visit the

team's Web page at [nami.org](http://nami.org).

**Stroke screening**  
 A Life Line Screening event begins at 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 28, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Screenings involve the use of ultrasound technology and scan for potential health problems related to blocked arteries which can lead to a stroke and aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta and hardening of the arteries in the legs. This is a strong predictor of heart disease. A bone density screening will assess osteoporosis risk and is appropriate for both men and women. Screenings take less than an hour and cost \$129. To schedule an appointment, call (800) 697-9721.

**Cystic fibrosis**  
 The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - Metro Detroit chapter will be the beneficiary of a Friday, Sept. 28, fundraiser at Blossom Heath Inn on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

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**Lupus walk**  
 The 13th annual Walk for Lupus Alliance of America is Saturday, Sept. 29, at Freedom Hill, 15000 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights. Registration begins at 10 a.m. For more information, call the Lupus Alliance at (800) 705-6677.

SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

# Gratitude and thanks should fill life



So many people liked my column on gratitude that when I found similar thoughts on life's gifts, I decided to use them. I hope you enjoy them and find them inspiring.

## Life is a gift

Today before you say an unkind word, think of someone who can't speak.

Before you complain about the taste of your food, think of

someone who has nothing to eat.

Before you can complain about your husband or wife, think of someone who is crying out for companionship.

Before you complain about life, think of someone who died too early.

Before you complain about your house not being clean, think of the people who are living in the street.

Before complaining about the distance you have to drive, think of someone who walks the same distance.

When you are tired and complain about your job, think of the unemployed, the disabled, and those who would love to have your job.

Before you think of pointing the finger or condemning another remember that not one of us is without fault.

When depressing thoughts get you down put a smile on your face and be thankful you're alive.



Here's an idea that could be essential in case of an accident.

A paramedic found that most accident victims carried cell phones. The phones usually had many numbers stored in its memory, but he had no way of knowing which numbers were for family or close friends.

He knew there had to be a solution and it came to him. What if the cell phone owner

put a signal by the stored names to show which ones were to be called in case of emergency. He sought a simple symbol that would alert emergency service personnel and hospital staff and came up with "ICE" (In Case of Emergency).

If the cell phone has many names stored, the most important contacts could be listed as ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3, and so forth.

A campaign has begun to make it a universal symbol. This sounds like an idea whose time has come.



Some tips on pumping gas have been offered by a gentleman in the petroleum pipeline business for more than 30

years.

◆ Fill up your car in the morning when the temperature is still cool. (This is for warm weather.) Service stations have their storage tanks buried below ground. The colder the ground, the denser the gasoline. When it gets warmer, gasoline expands, so if you're filling in the afternoon or in the evening, what should be a gallon is not exactly a gallon.

◆ Fill up when your gas tank is half-full because the more gas in your tank, the less air.

◆ If you look at the trigger on the hose filling the tank, you'll see that it has three delivery settings: slow, medium and high. When filling up, do not

squeeze the trigger of the nozzle to the high setting. Pumping at the slow setting minimizes vapors created while you are pumping.

Hoses at the pump are corrugated. The corrugations act as a return path for vapor recovery for gas that already has been metered. If you are pumping at the high setting, the agitated gasoline contains more vapor, which is being sucked back into the underground tank, so you're getting less gas for your money.

I hope you appreciate the technical reasons I supplied for why these tips will help you save gas.

Cain can be reached at [ruthcain@comcast.net](mailto:ruthcain@comcast.net).

## Goodfellows make a case for breakfast

The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow fund of Detroit will honor Judge Damon J. Keith with the Edward H. McNamara Goodfellow of the Year award at its 18th annual Tribute Breakfast at 8 a.m., Friday, Oct. 5, in Cobo Center.

Tickets are \$150 to \$1,500 for a table of 10. Money raised through Tribute Breakfast XVIII will go toward the Detroit Goodfellows' 2007 fundraising goal of \$1.375 million, which will help provide 30,000 holiday gift packages containing clothing, books, candy and toys for needy children in Detroit, Hamtramck

and Highland Park.

The event's sponsors are WJR Radio, Linda Burgess and GoLoanConnect.com.

WJR serves as the "voice" of the breakfast and Paul W. Smith of WJR will emcee the event with portions of the breakfast to be broadcast live by WJR.

The Edward H. McNamara Goodfellow of the Year award, named after the founder of the event, is a prestigious honor presented to distinguished and noteworthy people who have significantly contributed to the community.

Keith has been a member of the federal judiciary for the Sixth Circuit since 1977 and has consistently been a defender of the constitutional and civil rights of all people. He is best known for his opinion in the United States vs. Sinclair trial, more commonly referred to as The Keith Decision.

Keith, sitting on the district court, found then-President Richard Nixon and then-U.S. Attorney General John Mitchell unable to process evidence regarding a warrant, less surveillance against three individuals suspected of conspiring to destroy government

property. Keith concluded the alleged evidence was in violation of the Fourth Amendment regarding proper search and seizure laws.

Keith and his late wife, Rachel Boone Keith, M.D., have three daughters, Gilda and Debbie Keith, Cecile Keith-Brown and two granddaughters, Nia and Camara.

For more information, contact the Detroit Goodfellows by mail at Old Newsboys' Goodfellow fund of Detroit, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244-0444 or by phone at (313) 237-0034. The Web site is [oldnewsboysgoodfellows.org](http://oldnewsboysgoodfellows.org).



Maryann and Bob Bury were among those guests who attended the SOC Treasure Island auction.

## SOC finds treasure

The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House Activities Center was the spot with the X as guests of Services for Older Citizens dug into the Treasure Island auction on Sept. 13.

Guests were treated with food and drink and viewed a performance by The Hot Club of Detroit.

The party was part of the Summer of SOC, which has been filled with parties sponsored by friends of SOC, who worked to spread the word

about its programs.

The Summer of SOC concludes with the Buried Treasure Auction from 6 to 10 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. The event features hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, a gourmet sit-down dinner and a silent and live auction. Tickets are \$150 per person.

Call Debbie Pommerville at (313) 882-9600 or e-mail [soc.1978@yahoo.com](mailto:soc.1978@yahoo.com) for tickets.

## Flu shots are important

Children aren't the only ones who should get flu vaccinations. Adults 65 and older also run the risk of being struck

Seniors and others in high-risk groups should contact their doctor about getting a flu shot no later than mid-October, while others who are at a lower risk of serious complications from the flu should wait until later in the month, advises Joyce Stallings, owner and operator of Visiting Angels of Detroit, a home health care agency.

"It is important for those who most need an influenza vaccination to get one early," she said. "The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that people get vaccinated against influenza every October or November."

The CDC reports that older adults comprise 90 percent of the 36,000 deaths that occur on average each year from influenza complications. About 48,000 (42 percent) of the 114,000 hospitalizations from influenza-related causes involve people age 65 and older.

"The number of deaths and the cost to society are likely to

increase as the nation's population ages," Stallings said.

The U.S. Census Bureau projects the number of adults ages 65 or more will double from 35 million (or 13 percent of the population) in 2000 to 70 million (or 20 percent of the population) by 2030.

In addition, 1998 data from CDC show that 3,400 older adults die from invasive pneumococcal disease each year.

This type of illness results when pneumococci, a leading cause of bacterial infection, enters the bloodstream or invades the tissues and fluids surrounding the brain and spinal cord, causing meningitis.

"People don't realize how serious influenza is," Stallings said. "The classic symptoms of the influenza virus are well known — sudden onset of fever and chills, dry cough, runny nose, body aches, headache and sore throat. Pneumonia begins with high fever, cough and chest pain."

While anyone can get influenza, older adults have a higher risk for complications."

For more information, contact Visiting Angels of Detroit at (313) 272-9401 or [visitingangels4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:visitingangels4@sbcglobal.net).



## Service award

Pi Lambda Theta, the oldest and most selective professional honor society of educators, presented the Scepter & Key award to Jean Gould Wright of Grosse Pointe Park for her years of service to the association. Wright was given a plaque during the biennial and leadership conference for educators in Richmond, Va., in July.



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## Share your story

Longtime Pointers and those with a good Grosse Pointe-related story to tell that want to share their experiences are being sought.

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society is starting an oral history project with Services for Older Citizens and is collecting personal accounts about life in Grosse Pointe.

Starting Sept. 27, on the last Thursday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m., society members Susan Hartz and Laura Larson will be at SOC to conduct 40-minute pre-scheduled interviews with Grosse Pointers to talk about their personal history.

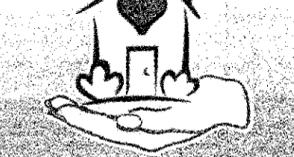
The interview will be recorded, transcribed and become part of the society's archives.

The society is asking for donations of \$10 to help cover costs.

Volunteers are needed to conduct and transcribe the interviews.

For more information, or to make an appointment, call the society at (313) 884-7010.

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# Christ Church has new rector, music director

Christ Church Grosse Pointe welcomed new music director and organist Scott Hanoian and new associate rector, the Rev. Lisa C. Flores.

Hanoian is not new to Christ Church. He was assistant organist from 1997 to 2001 and played at services, accompanied the Christ Church Chorale, directed the English Handbell Ringers, and the annual performances of Gilbert and Sullivan operettas.

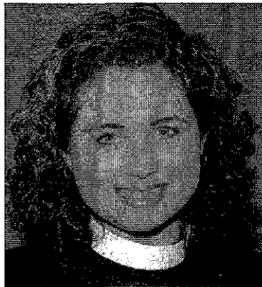
He left Christ Church to become an organ scholar at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., where he was most recently assistant organist and assistant director of music.

A native of Michigan, Hanoian holds a Master of Music in both choral conducting and church music and a

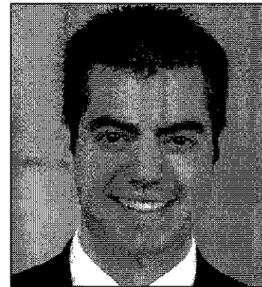
Bachelor of Music with highest honors in organ performance from the University of Michigan. He graduated from Interlochen Arts Academy with high honors.

As an organist, Hanoian has performed in concerts throughout the United States and has accompanied choirs on trips to Great Britain, Italy and France. Hanoian has performed in evensongs and concerts at Wells Cathedral, St. David's Cathedral in Wales, York Minster, Carlisle Cathedral, St. Alban's Abbey, St. George's Chapel in Windsor, St. Paul's Cathedral in London, Notre Dame Cathedral, La Madeleine, Chartres Cathedral, St. Maximin, and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

The search for a new director at Christ Church lasted six



Rev. Lisa C. Flores



Scott Hanoian

months and 30 candidates. "We're excited that Scott has returned to us," said Christ Church Rector Brad Whitaker. "Scott has held a premier position in the wider church and we look forward to him continuing his ministry of music in our midst." Flores has an extensive back-

ground and interest in youth, sports, and outreach to the less fortunate. She was formerly assistant rector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Fernandina Beach, FL where she was clergy leader for the St. Peter's Cares Pastoral Care Program. Born and raised in New

Orleans, she graduated from General Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity in May, 2005. She did her undergraduate work at Spring Hill College, Mobile, Ala., earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications and public relations in May 1996.

Flores' earlier career was marked by an interest in sports marketing. She was an athletics intern at the Cocoa Expo Sports Center, and an events coordinator for Space Coast Sports Promotions, where she developed and executed Amateur Athletic Union national championships.

Her faith and calling have led her to leadership positions with youth programs and outreach. She is particularly interested in issues concerning multi-cultural understanding, helping

AIDS patients, hurricane victims on the Gulf Coast, and developing youth programs that assist in a Christ-filled journey to adulthood. She was Winterlight conference coordinator and youth program designer at the Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, N.C. She has been to Cape Town, to assist with women and children afflicted by AIDS.

"Lisa is a dynamic person who brings a great set of organizational skills and experiences which will benefit our Christian Formation programs, incorporating new members into the parish and celebrating life as a growing parish community. Lisa is funny, honest, and confident," said Whitaker. "I am very excited about the gifts she will bring to us."

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

### Holiday bazaar

The annual arts and crafts bazaar held at the Assumption Cultural Center, will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

Each year, more than 90 local artists display custom-made and hand-painted items for holiday shopping. Greek food and baked goods are featured during the day for dine-in or take out.

Vendor tables are still available for \$55. For more information, call (586) 779-6111, ext. 4.

### Oysterfest

Oysterfest will be held from

5 to 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, at St. Ambrose.

Jazz saxophonist Edgar Wallace Jr. will be featured this year.

For more information, call (313) 447-2014.

### Preschool openings

There is more room for 3- and 4-year-olds in the preschool at the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The combined age class meets from 8:45 to 11:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The children will have a school experience to help them

develop a positive self-image and social and intellectual abilities in a bright and caring venue.

The program includes art, music, language, physical development, math, science, beginning reading concepts and Bible lessons.

Children will learn structure as they experience the school routine and participate in active learning as they explore and create in a learning environment.

The facility is licensed by the State of Michigan.

The director/lead teacher is Christine Simone, who has a bachelor's degree in elementary education and has completed grade work for an early childhood education endorsement.

Simone has a variety of experiences in education at the preschool and elementary lev-

el. She has also been trained in first aid and CPR.

Patty Jackson is classroom aide.

Call the church office at (313) 884-5040 for cost and a visit.

### Harvest dinner

St. Albertus Historic Church, 4231 St. Aubin at Canfield, Detroit, is having a harvest dinner in honor of St. Theresa, the Little Flower, at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 23.

For more information, call Terry at (313) 527-9321 or Jean at (313) 872-4387.

### Money matters

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church is offering a free interactive two-part work-

shop geared toward children's attitudes about money.

Entitled "Parents, Kids and Money Matters," the session for parents and children, ages 6 through 10, is offered for two consecutive weeks from 7 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 17 and 24, in the Luther Center, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call First English at (313) 884-5040 to reserve space.

Who's talking to your kids about money? Movies? Advertisers? Other kids?

While parents participate in hands-on experiences focused on the values they want their kids to learn about money, and getting advice on teaching them about these concepts, the children will be in their own interactive session designed to help counter the "buy now" mentality.

Learn specific tools and techniques to make teaching about

money fun and get ideas for talking to kids about smart money choices for their lives.

The workshop is offered by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and will be presented by a financial associate.

Refreshments will be served and take home resources will be furnished.

### Mom2Mom

Grace Circle of The Women of the Church at First English Evangelical Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts its annual Mom2Mom Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, in the Luther Center.

There will be gently used children's clothing, books, toys, puzzles, furniture and equipment. Breakfast and lunch will be available.

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# Maritime history event focuses on five topics

"Great Lakes, Great Stories: Michigan's Maritime Heritage," a three month long series of events opens Saturday, Oct. 6, at The Macomb Cultural Center.

Nearly all events in the series that focuses on one of Michigan's main attributes are free and include exhibits, video showings, presentations, activities and performances that highlight five major topical areas: Formation of North America's interior coast; the Great Lakes as a maritime superhighway; Lighthouses: caution lights of the superhighway; Shipwrecks: the challenge of the lakes' great gales; and Great Lakes ecology and preservation.

Exhibits include Great Lakes, Great Stories, artifacts and multimedia activities that highlight the lakes' formation, their role as a superhighway and preservation; Era of

Elegance, artifacts and photos from early 20th century steamship travel; Great Lakes China, a "tour" of Michigan's port cities through pictorial souvenir china; Michigan's Great Lights, a look at lighthouses through photos, artifacts, diaries and a cutaway of a lighthouse; Exotic Aquatics of the Great Lakes Region, an interactive display about invasive species; and Life on the Lakes, showcasing the lakes' ecosystem.

Exhibits are open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Highlights of some of the more than 50 events scheduled for Great Lakes, Great Stories: Michigan's Maritime Heritage include:

◆ Oct. 10 at 2 p.m. — Tim Eder, executive director of the Great Lakes Commission, provides updates on the commis-

sion's work related to Lake St. Clair.

◆ Oct. 11 at noon — Traverse City-based author Jerry Dennis brings to life his acclaimed book, "The Living Great Lakes: Searching for the Heart of the Inland Seas."

◆ Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. — Luke Clyburn, president of the Noble Odyssey Foundation and commander of the Great Lakes Division, National Sea Cadet Corps, presents Great Lakes, Ancient Shores and Sinkholes.

◆ Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. — In Sand Dunes, Sawdust and Shipwrecks, author Larry Massie presents strange-but-true accounts of people and events along Michigan's Sunset Shore (Lake Michigan).

◆ Oct. 19 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. and Oct. 21 at 2 p.m. —

Singer and instrumentalist Lee Murdock chronicles the stories of the pioneering spirit of the people in Songs of the Great

Lakes.

◆ Oct. 24 at 10:30 a.m. — Rector Richard W. Ingalls Jr., traces the history of the Mariner's Church of Detroit.

◆ Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. — Executive secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority Bob Sweeney reflects on the bridge's history and future challenges as Mighty Mac turns 50.

◆ Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon — Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum brings a fast-paced lineup of 10 hands-on activities for family discovery of geology.

◆ Oct. 31 at 1 p.m. — Writer/speaker Dianna Stampfer tells the stories of 12 Michigan lighthouses thought to be haunted in Michigan's Ghostly Lights.

◆ Nov. 1 at 2 p.m. — Wayne State University history professor and author Charles Hyde weaves together the histories of Michigan lighthouses and their

role in opening the region to settlement.

◆ Nov. 2 at 10:30 a.m. and Nov. 3 at 2 p.m. — Dennis Hale, sole survivor of the Daniel J. Morrell shipwreck, provides a personal account of the 1966 disaster.

◆ Nov. 3 at 1 p.m. — Cranbrook Institute of Science geologist John Zawiske presents Submarine Science in Lake Huron: From Prehistoric Tropic Reefs to the Ice Age.

◆ Nov. 4 at 2 p.m. — Historical reenactor Michael Deren brings to life an 1875 schooner captain sailing the Great Lakes.

◆ Nov. 9 at 10:30 a.m. and Nov. 10 at 2 p.m. — Shipwreck explorer and PBS producer Ric Mixer shares his insight on the great gales that have ravaged Great Lakes mariners since 1905.

◆ Nov. 14 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. — Divers and producers

of more than 54 programs on shipwrecks, Pat and Jim Stayer, present details of Edmund Fitzgerald's history, sinking, daring rescue attempts and exploration of the wreckage site.

◆ Nov. 16 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. — Author of more than 30 books on maritime history, Frederick Stonehouse presents Women on the Lakes, revealing stories of the women who have filled virtually every job of the Great Lakes maritime trades.

Preregistration is required for all events, excluding exhibits and video showings. For a full schedule of events, more information or to register, call (586) 445-7348 or visit [macombculturalcenter.com](http://macombculturalcenter.com).

Located on Macomb Community College's Center Campus, Hall and Garfield roads in Clinton Township, the Macomb Cultural Center is adjacent to the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts.

## STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Sucezek

# Transporting classic Greece to present via stage



Transposing "The Odyssey" from its original setting of classic Greece and the Aegean Sea to the present in the Caribbean creates a colorful and lively version of the famous epic poem by Greece's famous blind story teller, Homer.

And playwright Derek Walcott was well prepared to do it. A descendant of slaves in the British West Indies, he has

turned Homer's cast of gods and heroes into a picturesque array of island dictators, dancers and warriors to tell a newly meaningful epic story of Odysseus's 20 years of travel adventures.

Under the direction of Peter Hinton at Stratford this summer, the action fairly races through Homer's plot of everything from seduction to near fatal encounters as he wanders from island to island in the Caribbean, just as Odysseus did among the islands of the Aegean a couple of thousand years ago. But what is made possible by the transport through the centuries is that he reflects on the modern era's

slave trade, the travails of colonization and the loving qualities of Caribbean fishermen.

Just like the original, the Caribbean Odysseus is buffeted by storms, threatened by island dictators, lured into orgies by sirens, and frustrated continually in his effort to return to his home and resume a peaceful life. It even brings to mind the ordeals of veterans of our wars in their efforts to resume civilian life.

It is important to keep in mind, however, that his is not a play as such but rather a staging of an epic story with a narration of a series of incidents and only the barest of plots. The episodes of emotional rela-

tionships are many and each is brief. It is not a story in which the audience gets personally involved more than hoping that Odysseus will this time find the peace and rest he seeks.

And it takes 3 hours. Given a reasonable acquaintance with the mythology of Homer's original piece, it is entertaining to appreciate the creative achievement of delivering the dialog in island accents, the songs in local folk styles and the costumes and settings as they would appear in the Caribbean.

Following the literary qualities of Walcott's poetry, on the other hand, is a major chal-

lenge for the listener as a result of the fast paced performance, the island accents and the literary character of the script. You almost want to read it.

Happily, the set fires the imagination. A burned out carcass of a contemporary automobile surrounded by palm trees dominates the stage. It represents the wanderer's craft and suggests its status in Homer's time by a mast and lateen sail rigged over the trunk lid. Actors leap to the hood and the roof as though on deck. Mermaids emerge from underneath turning the trashed vehicle into a versatile prop. It plays a modern role as well as appropriate moments when

the engine roars and headlights flash.

The action on stage leaves hardly a dull moment. Yet this production is a challenge to the viewer's powers of observation and comprehension. Anyone not well grounded in "The Odyssey" story would do well to peruse a Cliff Notes version, or reread Homer's original before seeing this show. It could be well worth the effort.

"The Odyssey" is presented in repertory at Stratford's Studio Theatre through Sept. 28.

For tickets, accommodations and more information call (800) 567-1600 or visit [stratfordfestival.ca](http://stratfordfestival.ca).

# Raise a glass for swish, swirl and sip at Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

In the spirit of harvest season the inaugural Swish, Swirl and Sip: A Tasting Event will be held at Edsel & Eleanor Ford House from 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 4. It features

samplings of wine, beer from the Detroit Beer Company, hors d'oeuvres and live music.

"Edsel and Eleanor were a social couple and enjoyed entertaining, so we're always

looking for new, fun ways for guests to enjoy the site and experience it in different ways," said Jennifer Welsh, events and programming manager.

"Tastings are naturally very so-

cial events, so Swish, Swirl and Sip is the perfect place for adults who are looking for a night out with friends or for those who want to meet new people."

As part of the ticket price, attendees can also take an evening stroll through the historic home on a guided tour.

Tickets for Swish, Swirl and Sip are \$25 per person.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling (313) 884-4222.

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House is located at 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores.

## High School reunions scheduled for this autumn

### Class of 1997

The Grosse Pointe North Class of 1997 meets for a reunion from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

For more information, visit [gpn1997@gmail.com](mailto:gpn1997@gmail.com)

### Alumni

The annual alumni reunion honoring all Detroit Eastern High School classes will be from 2 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan, Warren. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

A sit-down dinner will be served at 3 p.m.

Reservations must be in by Oct. 1.

Tickets are \$30 and will be available at the door. No walk-in tickets will be available without advance reservations.

For more information, call Bob Butler at (313) 824-7230 or Terry DesRivers Edwards at (313) 885-2562, or e-mail [tski75@aol.com](mailto:tski75@aol.com).

### St. Rose of Lima

St. Rose of Lima, Detroit is holding an all class alumni reunion from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, in the Roostertail ballroom, 100 Marquette, Detroit.

The cost is \$45.

For more information, call Mike Byzewski at (313) 921-9277 or e-mail [StRoseSeniors@aol.com](mailto:StRoseSeniors@aol.com) or Harry Wolf at (248) 528-0207 or e-mail [hwolf2prodigy.net](mailto:hwolf2prodigy.net).

### Southeastern High

The class of 1952 of Southeastern High School has

planned two events for its 55th year reunion.

A tour of the renovated high school will be Saturday, Sept. 22.

Dinner and dancing at

Zuccaro's will take place Sunday, Sept. 23.

For more details, call Betty Shields Bradley at (586) 776-2461 or Iris Demaratos Olmin at (810) 748-3155.

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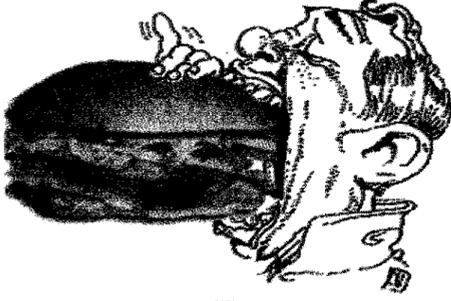
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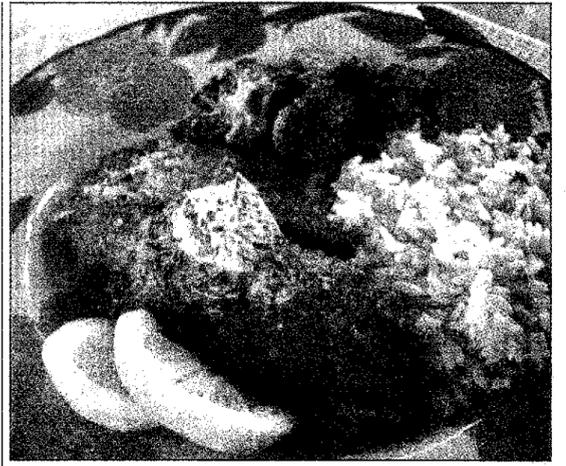


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**A LA ANNIE** By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

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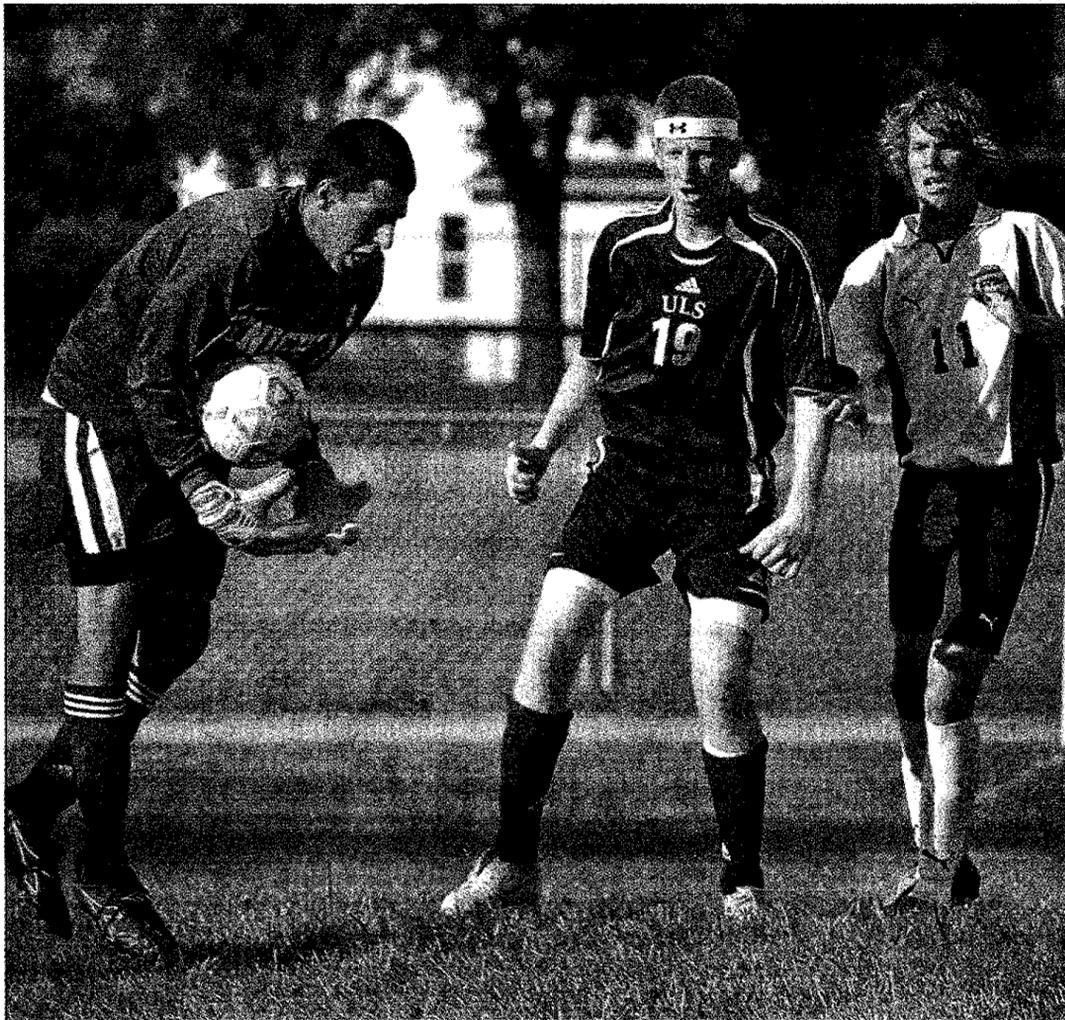
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## North holds on

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University Liggett School goaltender Mark Ghafari makes a save against Cranbrook Kingswood. Ready to help if needed is ULS defender Aaron Heaney (19).

# Norsemen beat Fraser; win tourney

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Being close isn't good enough anymore for Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team.

"We've got an entirely different mindset going into our matches this year," coach Kim Lockhart said after the Norsemen took first place at the Marine City Invitational to improve to 11-1-1 overall.

North is also 2-0 in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division after victories against L'Anse Creuse and Fraser.

"Last year we were good, but it was hard for us to finish games," Lockhart said. "We'd get to 21 or 22 points and then lose. A lot of that had to do with our being so young. This year they're a year older and they have the confidence that they can match anybody point-for-point and close out the match."

"We're done saying we're young, even though we have mostly juniors on the team. They got a lot of experience as freshmen and sophomores, and we've been able to work

with most of them since they came out of middle school. The girls understand our system and what we're trying to do."

Balance is also a strength of this year's North squad.

"It's probably the most well-rounded team that I've had," Lockhart said. "It's so diverse. We've got hitters, defenders, passers and setters. It doesn't matter who we set to, they're all good hitters. Most teams have two really good hitters. I have six of them."

There aren't many better middle hitters around than North's Ariel Braker and Christine Klein, but if opponents concentrate on stopping them, the Norsemen don't have to force the issue.

"If teams stack their defense to stop them — and that's tough because they're both All-State high jumpers — we can go to the outside," Lockhart said. "We have a lot of options this year."

Lockhart also likes the switch in seasons. Volleyball is being played in the fall for the

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# ULS booters win three in Metro

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

It has been a long time since University Liggett School has started a boys soccer season as well as the Knights have this season.

"We're 5-1 and we haven't had a start like that since we went 6-0 in 1989," said coach David Backhurst after ULS won three Metro Conference games last week, capped by a 2-1 victory against Cranbrook Kingswood.

The win against the Cranes was the Knights' first against that always-tough opponent since 1999.

"We've had some close games against them — we've lost 2-1, 2-1, 3-0, 2-0 — but we haven't beaten them in a while," Backhurst said.

The 1999 season was signifi-

cant for another reason. That was the last time the Knights won a boys state soccer championship.

It's still early to predict similar success for this year's team, but ULS has something that it hasn't enjoyed in recent years — scoring punch to go with its perennially-strong defense.

Forwards Jack Fisher and Patrick Gustine each have six goals in six games.

"That's a big plus for us this year," Backhurst said. "We have a couple of people we can count on to score."

The 1-2 punch of Fisher and Gustine, prevents opposing teams from concentrating on stopping one of them with double teams.

Fisher gave ULS an early lead against Cranbrook with a goal late in the first half.

Most of the first half was

played in the midfield with the Knights holding a 4-3 edge in shots on goal.

The Cranes tied the match early in the second half, but midfielder Rory Deane broke the deadlock with 16 minutes remaining on a long shot from the left side of the field that curled behind the Cranbrook goalkeeper.

Moments later, Knights goalie Mark Ghafari preserved the slim lead when he stopped a penalty kick.

The defense, led by Ghafari and sweeper Curtis Fisher, was outstanding in all three ULS victories last week.

Defenders Tim Boll, Alex Darr, Aaron Heaney and Peter Rentschler also played well, and when Rentschler missed the Cranbrook game with an

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Jack Fisher (7) scored University Liggett School's first goal in its 2-1 Metro Conference victory against Cranbrook last week.

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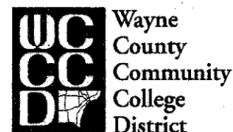
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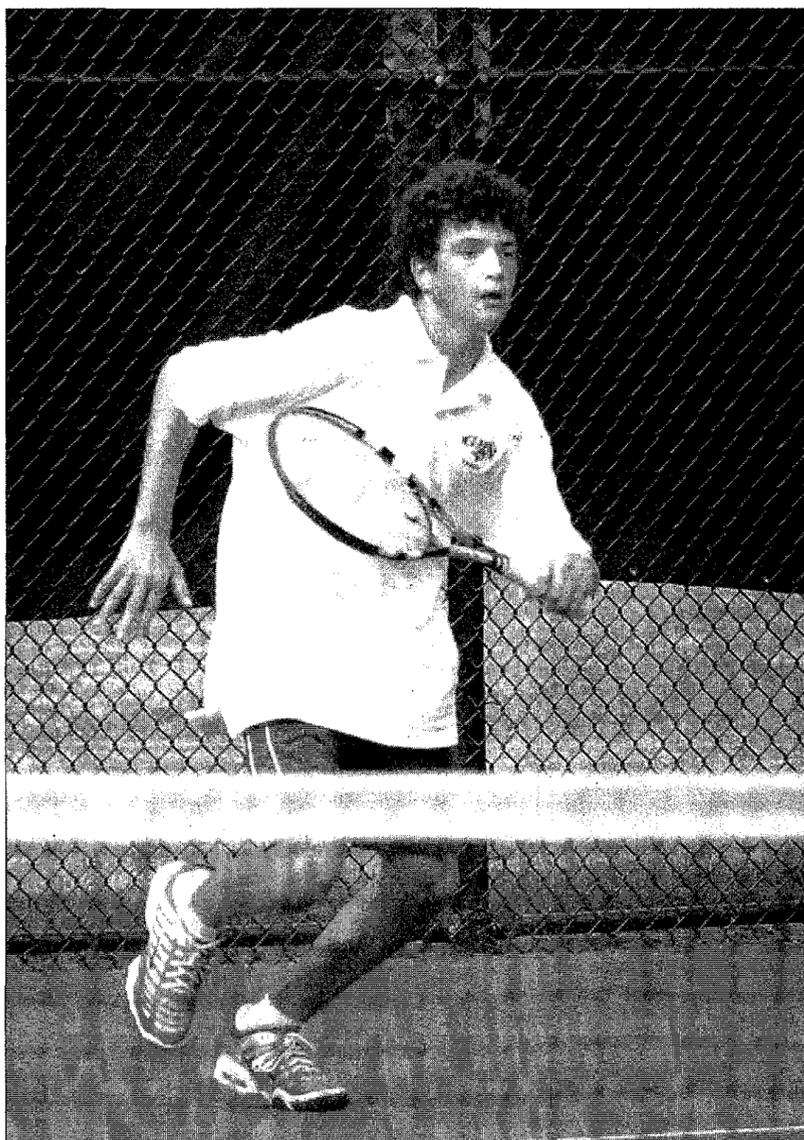
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Doug Zade posted a 6-0, 6-0 victory at No. 1 singles to help Grosse Pointe North sweep the singles matches against Grosse Pointe South.

## North, South tie in tennis match

Last week was a productive one for Grosse Pointe North's boys tennis team.

After an impressive 8-0 victory against St. Clair, the Norsemen played a 4-4 tie with Grosse Pointe South.

It marked the first time in at least eight years that the Blue Devils hadn't beaten their crosstown rivals.

North swept the four singles matches, while South won all

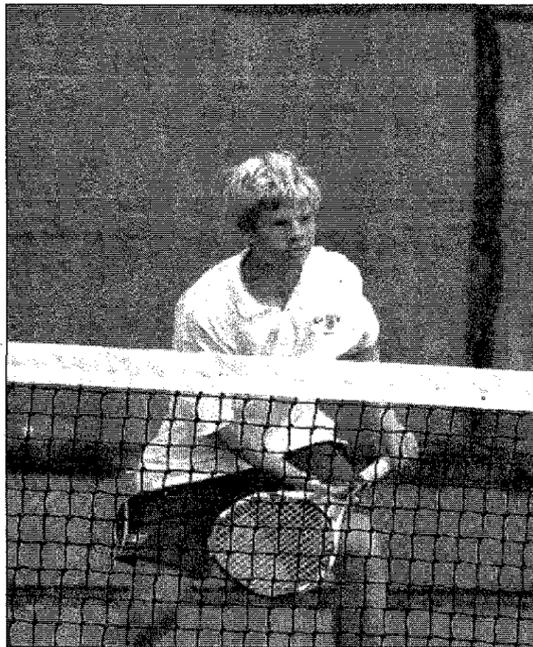
four doubles matches.

At No. 1 singles, Doug Zade beat Alex Parker, 6-0, 6-0; David Ryda defeated Kevin Jones 6-3, 6-1 at second singles; and Joe Scott defeated Matt Keane 6-4, 6-3 at No. 4.

The last match to be completed was No. 3 singles and the Norsemen's Billy Sessions beat South's John Willard 2-6, 6-2, 6-2.

In doubles, South's No. 1

team of Bryan Cenko and Matt Halso defeated Dean Butts and Kevin Zak 7-5, 6-2. Ryan Leslie and Joel Vandermale beat North's David Adelman and Jimmy Coon 6-2, 6-1 at No. 2. Reid Dixon and Rob Montgomery beat Eric Kiska and Ryan Mann 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3 doubles; and Caleb Neumeyer and Adam Brewster defeated Lenny Han-Voth and Dan Law 6-1, 6-2.



Joe Scott picked up a victory for North at No. 4 singles.

## South netters split first two in league

Grosse Pointe South's volleyball team is off to a good start under the guidance of new coach Ryan Welsler.

The Blue Devils are 7-2-1 after splitting a pair of matches last week in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

"We opened with Sterling Heights, winning in five long games," Welsler said. "Then we lost to Cousino — also in five

long games."

The Blue Devils started the season by hosting a quadrangular match with Lutheran North, Lake Shore and Utica and South defeated all three opponents.

In an invitational meet at South, the Blue Devils posted a 3-1-1 record, losing in the

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## Knights second in volley tourney

University Liggett School's volleyball team finished second at last weekend's Gazelle Invitational at Sacred Heart Academy in Bloomfield Hills.

The Knights rallied from a slow morning start to reach the championship match. In the finals, Sacred Heart defeated ULS in three games, winning the final game 15-12.

ULS coach Dan Sullivan said that he was pleased with the progress his team has made since the start of the season.

"There is great senior leadership on the team," Sullivan said. "They are working together to become one cohesive unit on the floor."

The Knights were led by middle hitter Anna Zinkel, who had 21 kills in the tournament. Danielle Vespa and Jamie Bow were effective servers all day and each of them was successful on more than 90 percent of their serves.

Setter Jillian Twardowski effectively ran the offense and kept the opposition off balance. Leela Chandraseker played well as a defensive specialist. Megan Amicucci and Morgan Ellis were also significant contributors during the tournament.

## CHECKER SEDAN PRO TENNIS CHALLENGE

# Californian is top seed at Lochmoor

The field is set for the Checker Sedan Pro Tennis Challenge this weekend at the Lochmoor Club in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The world-class men's singles event will showcase ATP ranked professionals and national champions from Sept. 21 through 23.

Zach Fleishman, who has been ranked as high as 90th in the world, will be the top seed. The 25-year-old resident of Playa Del Rey, Calif., has been ranked among the top 20 professionals in the United States six times. He defeated Fernando Gonzalez, ranked sixth in the world, last month in Los Angeles.

Canadian Davis Cup players and 2004 champion Rob Steckley will be the No. 2 seed.

Joel Kielbowicz, fresh off four doubles titles on the USTA Futures circuit, and Michael Rubin, formerly the No. 1 sin-

gles player at the University of Michigan and one of the top players in the Midwest, are also scheduled to play.

NCAA men's doubles champion Andreas Siljeström of Sweden, who is ranked No. 32 in the nation in singles, will also vie for the title. Jason Jung of Torrance, Calif., one of the top 18-year-olds in the country, is also in the draw.

The remainder of the draw will be filled with All-Americans and up-and-coming stars of tomorrow.

Last weekend, David Streeter, a freshman at Michigan, qualified for the main draw by winning four matches.

The Mark Schmidt Memorial Doubles Exhibition will be held at noon Sunday, just before the championship match, which is scheduled for 1 p.m.

The tournament offers prize

money and merchandise totaling \$10,000.

The main draw begins Friday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m. Feature matches will continue through 10:30 p.m.

Semifinal matches will begin Saturday, Sept. 22 and 5 p.m. and continue through late evening.

Admission to the tournament is free, but donations to Children with Special Needs are welcome. This is the 11th year that the tournament will raise money for the organization.

Joe Shaheen, the head tennis professional at the Lochmoor Club, is the tournament director. Lochmoor is located at 1018 Sunningdale. The nearest main roads are Mack and Vernier, just east of I-94.

For more information, call (313) 886[-0777] or visit [www.checkersedanprotennis.com](http://www.checkersedanprotennis.com).

## Knights have a good week on the courts

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Don't count University Liggett School's Matt Witkowski out of a match if he drops the first set.

"He's a fighter," Knights coach Chuck Wright said of his No. 1 singles player after Witkowski won a pair of three-set matches in ULS's two dual meet victories last week.

"If he's close, there's a good chance he'll win the match. He's had some good starts this year, but lately, he's dropped the first set and come back to win in three."

It happened in ULS's 8-0 victory against South Lake and also in the Knights' 6-2 win over Cousino.

In the South Lake match, Witkowski lost 4-6 in the first set, but came back to win 7-5, 6-4.

Against Cousino, he lost 1-6 in the first set but roared back to win 6-3, 7-5.

In the South Lake match, Steven Coval played singles for the first time and won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 4.

While the Knights dominated the Cavaliers, it was a bit tougher against Cousino but ULS players came through with some impressive wins.

At No. 2 singles, Billy

Costello won 2-6, 7-5, 6-0 and Coval posted a 6-1, 6-1 win at No. 4.

ULS also won three of the four doubles matches. At No. 2 Derek and Michael McLaughlin breezed to a 6-1, 6-0 victory; Andrew Malaski and Garrett Redding won 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3; and Blake Chouinard and Christian Redding posted a 6-4, 6-4 win at No. 4.

Last weekend, ULS was third at the Romeo Invitational and the Knights won the consolation final in three of the eight flights.

Witkowski lost his first match, but came back to win the last two, including a win against Lake Orion when he dropped the first set 6-2 and trailed 5-1 in the second before coming back to win.

"He's a problem solver," Wright said. "(Assistant coach) Rob Lyles helped him with his strategy."

At No. 3 singles, Skippy Faber lost his first match but came back to beat Armada 6-1, 6-2 and Royal Oak Shrine 6-3, 6-4 to win the consolation bracket.

ULS also won the consolation bracket at No. 4 doubles. Chouinard and Christian Redding lost their first match on an 11-9 super tiebreaker in

the third set, but they came back to beat Armada 6-1, 6-3 and Romeo 6-2, 6-0.

Costello won one match at No. 2 singles, while Akshay Verma, filling in at No. 4 singles, also posted one win.

In doubles, Aziz Jan and Drew Amato won two of three matches, while the No. 1 doubles team of Garrett Redding and Ian Quinlan defeated Lake Orion 7-6, 6-2 after losing a close 6-4, 7-5 decision to Shrine.

ULS was missing three regulars because of SAT testing.

Earlier, ULS defeated Dearborn Fordson 5-3 as the Knights swept the four singles matches.

Witkowski won 6-4, 6-1 at No. 1 singles; Costello posted a 6-2, 3-6, 6-0 win at No. 2; Faber was a 6-3, 6-1 winner at No. 3 and Garrett Redding won 6-3, 6-1 at No. 4.

ULS's only doubles win came at No. 4 from the team of Chouinard and Christian Redding, who won 6-4, 6-4.

Each of the other doubles matches went three sets.

In the Knights' other dual meet, they lost 8-0 to Detroit Country Day.

"Country Day is a good team, but we competed well against them," Wright said.

ULS is 3-3 in dual meets.

## North girls heed coach's plea to run together in a pack

One of the things that Grosse Pointe North girls cross country coach Scott Cooper is stressing this year is running as a pack.

After last week's 11th-place finish at the Holly Invitational, it looks like Cooper is getting his point across.

"We've been emphasizing running as a team in a tight group and they did a great job with this (Saturday)," Cooper said. "Katie Graves continues to lead this team up front with Bree McDonald close behind. McDonald dragged along (Kailey) Sickmiller, Cristina Bruno and (Haley) Abessinio, keeping our top five scorers in close contact."

"We have emphasized how important it is for the top runners to bring along the younger runners in order to make them better. McDonald has done a great job with this, encouraging the runners to stick with her and pushing each other on to better times."

Sickmiller and Bruno are freshmen, who seem to be

adapting well to a new sport.

"They are extremely talented but have yet to realize their full potential," Cooper said.

"I am excited to see what they can do the rest of the season."

Abessinio is a newcomer to North's top group of runners.

"She is running with a new attitude and a new perspective on how cross country works," Cooper said.

"She has worked hard all season and is going to make a big difference on the team this year."

Francesca Bruno, Cristina's sister, and Katie D'Hondt rounded out North's top seven.

"Francesca is a junior who has put her time and miles in over the past three years and is seeing her hard work finally pay off," Cooper said.

"She has a great attitude and is filling in nicely in the top group."

Graves was the Norsemen's only medalist at the meet.

In the junior varsity race, Nora Premack led the way for

North with a fourth-place finish overall. Her effort moved her into the top varsity group.

Close behind Premack were Rachel Gimpert, Zyanya Wright-Servais, Macey Lacey and Amanda Schneider.

Several North runners earned Barrier Breaker shirts at the meet.

They were Abessinio, the Bruno sisters, Gimpert, Kamille Hamzey, Lacey, Kiera Maloney, Sam Matthew, Rhochelle Krawetz, Lauren Miller, Paige Monfortone, Megan Morath, Premack, Julia SantaLucia, Stephanie Schucker, Sickmiller, Amy Surmont, Colleen Victor and Wright-Servais.

In North's only dual meet last week, the Norsemen beat Warren-Mott 20-42.

Mott took first place, but North had the next 10 runners cross the finish line.

Top runners for the Norsemen were Graves, McDonald, Sickmiller, Cristina Bruno, Francesca Bruno, Abessinio and D'Hondt.



# North holds off scrappy PHN

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

It won't go down as one of the great victories in Grosse Pointe North's storied football history, but in the grand scheme of winning another Macomb Area Conference White Division championship and qualifying for the state playoffs for the fourth year in a row, last week's 21-16 win against Port Huron Northern was a much-needed victory.

"It's a win, but we didn't execute the way we should have," North coach Frank Sumner said after the game.

"Give Port Huron Northern credit. They're a scrappy bunch."

Early in the game, it looked like the Norsemen would coast to their third victory in four games. With just under seven minutes remaining in the first quarter, North had a 14-0 lead.

The Norsemen wouldn't score again until their first possession of the second half, and

they had to come up with some big plays on defense in the final two minutes to preserve the victory.

Steve Wiczorak, one of the few North players to start on offense and defense, played his best game of the season and he did it with a painful injury to his toe.

"He got stepped on by a cleat last week," Sumner said. "It's ugly to look at and it has to be painful. You can't look at it and eat a cracker at the same time."

"He played an outstanding game. He made some huge plays on defense and he did a good job of blocking at tight end and caught two passes."

It looked like North had secured the win with a little more than a minute to play. Jerry Peoples, who rushed 21 times for 219 yards, had runs of 15 and 22 yards to give the Norsemen a first down at the Huskies' 22-yard line. However, on the next play, PHN recovered a North fumble

and the Huskies were still alive.

On first down, quarterback Andrew Seppo's pass was incomplete. The second-down pass was tipped by a charging Wiczorak. Wiczorak tipped Seppo's third-down pass and this time it was intercepted by linebacker Michael Rahaim.

PHN, which hadn't scored a point in its first three games, put itself in position for an upset victory when the Huskies marched 80 yards in 16 plays, scoring on Joshua Schulz's five-yard run with 2:05 left in the game. PHN went for two on the conversion and got them when Colby Brooks recovered a fumble in the end zone, cutting North's lead to six points.

The Huskies attempted an onside kick after the touchdown, but North's John-Michael Guest recovered on the North 45.

PHN had recovered an onside kick after its first touchdown, but Sumner was taking

no chances this time.

"We had our 'hands team' in there — eight new kids," Sumner said. "We had people who were used to handling the ball. Guest wasn't out there the first time they tried the onside kick."

The Huskies couldn't be blamed for not wanting to kick the ball deep.

On the opening kickoff, North's Darrin Willis gathered the ball in at the five-yard line and raced down the field for a 95-yard touchdown. Andrew Doetsch added the first of his three extra points and the Norsemen quickly had a 7-0 lead.

North added to its lead on its first offensive series after forcing PHN to go three-and-out on its initial possession.

After a short punt, the Norsemen got the ball in PHN territory and they drove 42 yards in eight plays with Peoples scoring from the three. Peoples carried six times for 42 yards — North had a penalty in

the drive — despite PHN stacking its defense to stop the Norsemen's ground game.

A two-yard run by Schulz capped a 71-yard march by PHN as it cut the lead to 14-7 with just under five minutes left in the first half. The Huskies recovered the onside kick, but failed to get a first down as North had two tackles for losses, including a sack by Wiczorak.

Peoples wasted no time in restoring the Norsemen's two-touchdown lead once the second half started.

The Norsemen's defense forced another three-and-out to start the second half and North got the ball at its own 33 after the Huskies punted. On the first play, Peoples raced 67 yards for the touchdown to put North ahead 21-7.

North got another strong game from its offensive line, especially center Mack Topper and tackle Daniel El-Hosni, who replaced the injured Fred Griswold.

Defensively, there were several strong performances.

Linebacker Frank Ferretti led the way with 13 tackles and Sumner said, "he was aggressive and made some big hits."

Wiczorak, who had five solo tackles, and Rahaim each made nine tackles and Michael Neveux, Blest Norris and John Neveux each had eight. Theron Carter had seven stops.

North hosts Utica on Friday in the Norsemen's homecoming game.

The Chieftains are winless this season, but after last week's scare from PHN, Sumner isn't looking past anyone.

"They've got a big tailback, a real strong kid," Sumner said of 5-foot-11, 230-pound Chris Robinson.

Like North, Utica has had some problems at quarterback after the transfer of Nick Kosovich to Romeo.

"They're alternating a couple of kids — a junior and a senior," Sumner said.



## Champs at Midland

The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Breakers '97A team won the under-11 division championship at the Midland Fusion Invitational Soccer Tournament. The Breakers won their four tournament games by the combined score of 19-0. The Breakers' powerful offense was sparked by center midfielders Cyndey Webb and Megan Sklarski and strikers Lexi Ciaramitaro, Leesie Paglino and Molly Paddock. The team's strong defensive effort was anchored by goalkeepers Beth Crader and Anne Armbruster, sweeper Justine Lynn and defenders Abigail Reisen and Sarah O'Neill. In front, is Anne Armbruster. In the first row, from left, are Megan Sklarski, Leesie Paglino, Lexi Ciaramitaro and Sarah O'Neill. In back, from left, are coach John Sikorski, Justine Lynn, Molly Paddock, Cydney Webb and Abigail Reisen. Not pictured is Beth Crader.

## North rebuilding working

Rebuilding years can be difficult, but Grosse Pointe North's boys cross country team seems to be handling the situation well.

Last weekend, the Norsemen finished 12th at the Holly Invitational, which had one of the toughest fields in the state.

"Although we're not blowing anyone out of the water, times are dropping, runners are working hard and good things seem poised to happen," said coach Dan Quinn.

"This may be the best pack of runners that we've had in a long time. In years past, it seemed as though we'd be spread throughout the field, but this year we're running much more like a team. If we keep running hard, positive performances are bound to happen."

The most impressive performances for the Norsemen last week came from Matt VanEgmond and Sean Bourke.

Running mostly stride-for-stride, VanEgmond (17:28) and

Bourke (17:34) finished 48th and 53rd, respectively.

VanEgmond's time was only four seconds off his best time last season, while Bourke posted a personal record by nine seconds.

"In last year's meet, both times would have been in the top 30," Quinn said, "but this year's meet was much more competitive up front. VanEgmond's time was more than five seconds faster than the time his brother (Andy) ran last year, so the family competition is heating up."

Andy VanEgmond was one of North's top runners the last two years and he posted a sub-17-minute time as a senior in last year's state finals.

"Matt is the workhorse of the team and looks better with each workout," Quinn said.

Ann Arbor Pioneer won the varsity race with Lake Orion, Novi Catholic Central, Woodhaven and Hartland close behind.

Holly's course is one of the tougher ones in the state, but

with temperatures in the 50s at race time, times seemed to improve with each runner crossing the line.

"The JV race saw more PRs than we've ever had at this meet," Quinn said. "It was awesome to see so many kids running so fast this early. North now has 11 runners under 19 minutes and 16 runners under 20. Our goal each year is to get 20 under 20. We've done it four years in a row and this year looks very promising. We may even get 20 under 19, as we did last year."

Mark Miotto (17:56), Alex Kopacka (18:00) and Jon Chow (18:14) rounded out the scoring for North. Adam Gaglio (18:21) and Paul Joseph (18:37) turned in solid performances as the sixth and seventh men.

Sophomore Jeff Graves had the performance of the meet in the junior varsity race. He broke into the top 10 with a time of 17:51. His time would

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## Early mistakes hurt South again

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Falling behind early against a quality opponent isn't a recipe for success.

That's what Grosse Pointe South's football team in its last two games and that's why the Blue Devils have fallen to 2-2 overall.

South spotted Macomb Area Conference White Division rival Romeo a 21-0 lead last week and wound up losing 40-21 to the Bulldogs.

"After the 7:01 mark of the first quarter we beat them, but that's a big hole to get out of against a good football team," said South coach Tim Brandon.

"I've been disappointed with the way we've started our last two games, but I've been pleased with the way we've battled back in each of them. A lot of teams would have given up after being down 21-0, but we didn't. I'd like to see us start better. If we can get through the first quarter tied, I'll be happy. We'll try to make some adjustments this week so we can get off to a better start."

It won't be easy. The Blue Devils host unbeaten MAC White leader Cousino on Friday.

"They're probably the best of the parade of champions we're facing in these three games," Brandon said.

"And they have probably the best player in the division (quarterback Rick Powell). We'll have to focus on stopping him."

Big plays were South's downfall against Romeo.

Quarterback Nick Kosovich caught a 20-yard touchdown pass from Blake Cushingberry on a fake reverse to open the scoring. Kosovich then passed 10 yards to Joseph Wilson for a touchdown and the Bulldogs led 21-0 after a 50-yard interception return for a score by Brent Newsom.

James Costa scored on a four-yard run for South and the Blue Devils had another scoring chance thwarted when they were unable to punch the ball in from inside the one-yard line.

Costa rushed for more than 100 yards for the second straight game.

"He's settling in as our starting tailback," Brandon said.

Brandon said that the offensive line has been doing a better job of run blocking the last two games, but the pass protection has slipped from the standard it set during South's first two games.

"Teams have been getting to the quarterback more in the last two games, so we have to work on that," Brandon said.

South cut Romeo's lead to 21-14 on a 29-yard pass from quarterback Mark Riashi to

tight end Reid Fragel, but the Bulldogs answered with a 75-yard touchdown pass from Kosovich to Wilson.

The Riashi-Fragel combination clicked again for a seven-yard scoring strike to bring the Blue Devils within a touchdown early in the fourth quarter, but Romeo came right back to score again. This time it was a 40-yard run by Brent Brown. The Bulldogs closed out the scoring late in the game with a 10-yard pass from Kosovich to Newsom.

"We'd get within a touchdown and then they'd come back with a big play," Brandon said.

"It's not like (Romeo) pushed us all over the field. We'd have a breakdown in a certain area, like the fake reverse pass when the safeties came up and Cushingberry threw the ball over their heads. We had told them to be aware of Cushingberry and when he got the ball, they came up to stop him."

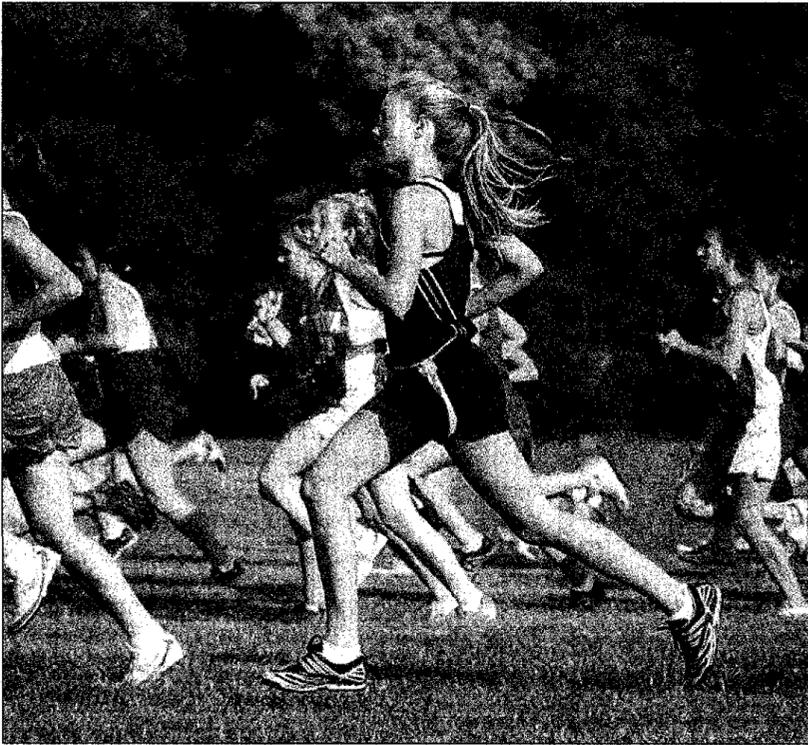
"This is the second game in a row that we felt that the other team didn't beat us, we lost because of mental mistakes on one side of the ball and turnovers and penalties on the other side."

"Fragel has had two nice games in a row at tight end," Brandon said. "He had six catches for more than 60 yards."



## Flying high

The Blue Jays won the Grosse Pointe Park Little League AAA World Series by sweeping the Marlins in the best-of-three playoff. The Blue Jays won 11-1 and 25-15 to finish the season with a 16-4 overall record. The team batting average was .463. In front, from left, are Jason Sommerville, Pat Kelly, Nolan Lucas, Alex Minanov, Tony Giorgio and Andrew Koehler. In the middle row, from left, are Miguel Lopez, Jack Crane, Kaleb Hanson, Bobby Kaiser and Andrew Eaton. In back, from left, are manager Terry Lucas and coaches Jim Kelly, Bob Kaiser and Dave Sommerville. Not pictured is Noah Elliott.



Ashley Thibodeau has led Grosse Pointe South to two straight invitational championships.

## South girls first at De La Salle

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team is 2-for-2 in invitational meets this year.

The Blue Devils, who won at Algonac two weeks ago, finished first last weekend in the 12-team De La Salle Invitational at Stony Creek Metropark.

South had 44 points to 60 for runner-up Troy. Birmingham Groves was third with 62 points, while Rochester Adams and Rochester Stony Creek rounded out the top five.

"We had perfect running conditions on an extremely tough course," said South coach Steve Zaranek. "Despite the difficulty of the course, our girls still managed 22 season-best performances. That was huge accomplishment for our team. Across our team, we are developing into excellent competitors."

For the second week in a row, Ashley Thibodeau led the South varsity. She was fourth overall in 21:34.

"Ashley set a perfect tone for our race," Zaranek said. "She

is running extremely well and we will be able to use her consistency to improve our entire varsity over the next several weeks."

South's next three runners also finished in the top 10 in the 80-runner field. Katie Steen was sixth, Jeannie Hollerbach eighth and Katie Lanza 10th.

Ellen Muniga and Rae Sklarski also gave the Blue Devils medal-winning performances by finishing in the top 20. Freshman Elise Corden had a top 30 finish.

In the junior varsity race, South dominated again with 10 of the top 15 medal positions.

"One goal we had was to improve on the nine medal spots we took last year — and we did," Zaranek said.

"Our South girls really positioned themselves well early on and it paid off with both race performance and personal bests."

Taking first place overall for the second straight week was South freshman Natalie Gay. Her 22:55 clocking made her

the only JV runner to break 23 minutes.

Taking the next two places for South were Rachel Frevik (23:02) and Bridget Dennehy (23:04).

Stephanie Garbarino was fifth, Jane Harness ninth, Tess Sheldon 10th, Bethany Cavanagh 13th, Lauren Brayton 14th and Kathy Kosinski 15th.

Also finishing in the top 25 were Sarah Flowers, Hayley Martin, Molly Robinson, Amanda Elskens and Katharine Zurek.

Others posting season-best times were Lizzy Dombrowski, Meghan Fitzgerald, Haley Grant, Kelsey Horn, Chloe Jacob, Margaret Levasseur, Sara MacConnachie, Stefanie Pitters, Harper Pizzimenti, Leah Turner, Caitlin Buchanan, Carly Engel, Lexi Fountain, Claire Mykrantz, Holly Piccione, Maggie Schulte, Alex Cullen, Annie Devine, Abby Meert, Megan Muer, Mary Novak, Sarah Youngblood and Andrea Izant.

## South's depth defeats North

There were plenty of high-lights from each team last week as Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team defeated Grosse Pointe North 114-71 in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

The victory was South's seventh straight in the crosstown rivalry, making it the longest winning streak for either school since girls swimming began in 1973.

The Blue Devils won seven events to North's five, so the Blue Devils' depth was the difference in the meet.

South's individual winners were Bailey Powell in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 backstroke; Nora Oliver, 500 freestyle; and Molly DeWald, 100 breaststroke.

The Blue Devils also won the 200 medley relay with the team of Tori Bruce, Jennifer Dunaway, Kendall Effinger and DeWald; and the 200 freestyle relay with the team of DeWald, Bruce, Ellen Henrichs and Effinger.

North's Jenny Rusch won the 50 and 100 freestyle races and achieved state Division II qualifying times in each. Maresa Leto won the 200 freestyle and North's 400 freestyle relay team of Rusch, Caitlin Matthews, Leto and Jackie Shea also took first place.

Despite finished second, North's 200 freestyle relay team of Rusch, Matthews, Leto and Shea posted a state cut.

"Sophomores led the many time improvements the team had," said Blue Devils coach

Todd Briggs, citing 10th graders Anna Bickerstaff, Alex Bracci, Bruce, Sarah Burke, Abby Constant; DeWald, America Gutierrez, Corey Lariscy, Jaime Leineke, Katie LeVan, Tori Morris, Kacey Murphy, Madison Murphy, Oliver, Lily Parker, Lindsey Phillips, Powell, Sydney Salley, Eleanor Stafford, Cori Tranchita and Anika Waara.

North had several season-best times in the meet.

They came from Lauren Nixon, Christine Sattler, Courtney Kohler, Sheila Geraghty, Courtney Wickham, Erin Schultes, Alyssa Mammen and Jenna Isherwood, 50 freestyle; Shea, Gianna Marx, Courtney Rusch, Michelle Ewart and Alexis John, 100 freestyle; Leto, Dana Grimm, Meghan Tripp, Kathryn Hartzell, Lauren Bradley and Erika Mammen, 200 freestyle; Leto, Grimm and Courtney Rusch, 500 freestyle; Emily Turnbull, Marx, Mariana Kouskoulas and Ellie Vigliotti, 100 backstroke; Hanna Everett, Kohler, Sarah Cullen, Katie Bill, Natalie Hogan and Kaylee Simon, 100 breaststroke; Shea, Cullen, Paige Castile, Bill, Alyssa Mammen and Meghan Williams, 200 individual medley; and Jenna Simon and Kimberly Cooper, diving.

South also hosted the third annual Grosse Pointe Relays last week at the Grosse Pointe City pool. It is the only outdoor high school swimming meet in Michigan.

Birmingham Seaholm

edged Birmingham Groves for the team championship, while South nipped Monroe for third place. Chippewa Valley won the Spirit/Sportsmanship award.

Rounding out the nine-team field were Jackson, Dakota, Utica Ford II and L'Anse Creuse.

Juniors Sarah Auk, Emma Baker, Michelle Champane, Claire Dennehy, Arielle DiLuigi, Effinger, Jeanne Frisby-Zedan, Chelsea Gilbert, Elizabeth Grossett, Alex Henning, Killeen Lang, Jade Nehra, Megan O'Connell, Liz Olson, Emily Owens, Meghan Robinson, Angie Simon, Jackie Stevens and Libby Strachan led the way for South.

The Blue Devils traveled to Chicago last weekend for their first out-of-state meet with Bishop Fenwick. Fenwick recently completed a 13-lane pool on its campus, which is similar to the pool being built at South.

The two teams were evenly matched with Fenwick winning the varsity meet 254-225 and South taking the junior varsity meet 235-214.

Captains of the two teams exchanged school flags. South's captains are Molly Berg, Zoe Berkery, Michelle Martinelli and Katy Strek.

Blue Devils divers LeVan and Parker each posted personal best scores in performing well against Fenwick's All-State diver.

South's next home meet is Oct. 2 against fourth-ranked South Lyon.

## St. Paul has spring success

The spring sports season was an eventful one for St. Paul Catholic School.

The fifth and sixth and seventh and eighth grade softball teams each won championships in CYO Division C.

The fifth and sixth grade baseball team also won its division.

The track team, which is made up of boys and girls in grades four through eight, also had a successful season and set several school records.

The fifth and sixth grade softball team overcame a slow start.

"We tied our first game, lost one and then won all the others," said coach Paul Monark. "We started hitting and our pitching came around. The team started playing really well and never looked back."

"These girls came together. They are gamers and they are nice girls. There's no doubt about it, they don't give up. They started out slow and won the division."

Dave Schultz, the seventh and eighth grade softball coach, said his team's success was a credit to the entire squad.

"It was just an honest-to-goodness team effort," Schultz said. "The team picked each other up and they were the first ones to get to someone. If I was a hard-core coach, I would be upset about the way the girls were jumping around celebrating after great plays in the field, but it was really something to see them be happy and supportive of one another."

"Here's an example of their

spirit and talent. If we were two runs down, they'd pass on the two runs and give me six. If they were down three or four, they'd give me more than we needed. The girls were amazing. They picked each other — and me — up to go out and do their best and exceed expectations."

Members of that team were Annie Bodien, Jullian Calcaterra, Kelsey Whitney, Carmen Engel, Sarah Seski, Lindsey Berg, Christine Daudlin, Kelly Liederbach, Annabella Blondell, Ashley Kudla, Ellen Harness and Rachel Temrowski.

The fifth and sixth grade baseball team made coach Tom Forbes proud.

"Due to excellent pitching and hitting, the team tied for the CYO division championship," he said. "It was a great season."

All of St. Paul's track athletes reached their peak at the division meet.

"We had several St. Paul records broken this year, which was phenomenal," said coach Nancy Ponkowski.

"The Lakers made a great showing at the division meet. Everyone had a personal record."

"The team worked hard all year. We are proud not only of how they ran, but how loud they cheered and the big support they had for one another. The print on the team T-shirts read 'Pain is temporary' on the front and on the back 'Pride is forever.' They really worked hard and stayed focused all season."

## Pass, Punt and Kick on Sept. 29

Young Grosse Pointe football players will have the opportunity to display their skills when the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Woods recreation departments host an NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick competition.

The free program is for boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 15 to compete in punting, passing and kicking.

The competition will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29 at 9 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe South football field.

The pre-registration deadline is Sept. 26 at the City, Farms or Woods recreation offices. All participants not pre-registered by Sept. 26 must register between 8 and 9 a.m. at South on the day of the event.

Participants will be put in age groups of 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15. Ages are as of Dec. 31, 2007.

Information and entry forms are available at each of the participating recreation departments or by visiting the PPK website at [www.ppknfyouth-football.com](http://www.ppknfyouth-football.com).

Participants will have the opportunity to practice at a clinic on Tuesday, Sept. 25 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Kerby Field, located at Mack and Kerby.

Participants must wear gym shoes or soft sole shoes and they must bring a document with proof of age.



The St. Paul fifth and sixth grade baseball team tied for the CYO division championship. In front, from left, are Gordy Post, Jimmy Manchl, Ricky Engel, Bennett Aretakis, Matthew Forbes, Rudy Bernard and Conner Fox. In back, from left, are Hugh Whitney, Richard Ferrara, coaches Tom Forbes and Rudy Manchl, Alex Peters and Noel Fets.



The St. Paul fifth and sixth grade softball team won its CYO division championship. In front, from left, are Marie Monark, Hannah Meier, Danielle Karwicz, Anne Sandifer, Katie Murphy, Margaret Bickerstaff and Elizabeth Steinhauer. In back, from left, are Olivia Monette, Jeannie Boynton, Alexandra Yenchick, coach Paul Monark, Marijane Brennan, Jaclyn Rastelli and Andrea Mackin. Not pictured is Annie Gallagher.

## RUNNERS: Graves has big time drop

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have placed him third among

North's varsity runners.

"The most impressive feat for Jeff is that he dropped over two minutes from his time on Tuesday (in a JV dual meet with Grosse Pointe south)," Quinn said.

"Jeff was one of our top runners last year with a personal best time of 17:23 as a freshman."

Following Graves were Andrew Charnesky with a PR of 18:37, Corey Rapala with a PR of 18:55, David Padalino (19:02) and Sean McCarroll (19:03).

Quinn's two assistant coaches are Diane Montgomery and Paul Langedock. Both have had experience coaching North's track teams.

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**IN** home helper and caregiver for well behaved 5th grader; 3-7pm, Monday- Friday. Non- smoker/ safe driver with reliable vehicle for after school activities. Responsibilities include child's supervision and meal preparation, light housework/ errands. Competitive wage + fuel reimbursement for activities and errands. 313-806-2616.

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**1342** Hollywood, new & used items, canning supplies, Friday, 10:00am- 4:00pm. Saturday 11:00am- 3:00pm

**1552** Edmundton Friday, Saturday. 8:30am-2pm. Clothes, purses, household items, bikes, etc.

**365** Belanger, Farms. Saturday, 8:30am- 2pm Multi-family sale! Great deals!

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**BLUE** upholstered sofa & loveseat, cocktail table: \$200/ best. Good for starter. (586)489-6229

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**409 GARAGE/YARD/  
RUMMAGE SALE**

**1228** Kensington, Grosse Pointe Park. Saturday 10am- 4pm.

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RUMMAGE SALE**

**S1** bag sale. Clearance Corner. Unitarian Church Annex, 17150 Maumee. Wednesday, September 26th, 10:00am- 3:00pm. Thursday, September 27th, 7:00pm- 9:00pm. While here, look for bargains in our resale/consignment shop. Donations & consignments taken on Wednesdays, 10:00am- 2:00pm.

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**382 & 393** Washington. Saturday, 9am- 1pm. Baby furniture, lots of furniture, area rugs, train table, kid's stuff galore, household items & much more.

**411** Moran. Goodies galore! 50's dinette set, large TV entertainment center, full mattress set & frame, tools, cabinets, furniture, sports equipment. Friday, Saturday. 9am-2pm.

**439** University Place, Grosse Pointe. Friday, September 21, 10am-4pm. Toys, household, craft items, odds and ends. Lots of great stuff! No early birds please!

**444** Washington - Friday and Saturday, 9am- 1pm. Multi family sale! Lots of kid's toys, games, clothing and accessories, Step 2 kitchen and combo game table, new and used household items, books and electronics.

**460** Lincoln Road. Friday/ Saturday 9am-2pm. Great clothing, electronics, furniture, more!

**751** Fisher Rd. Friday 9am- 4pm. Antiques, household, bedding, clothing (6- 10), glassware, misc.

**769** Notre Dame, Thursday- Saturday 9am-1pm. Quality children's clothing, cribs, toys, housewares.

**850 & 860** S. Oxford. Saturday 9am- 1pm. Household & children's items. Ethan Allen table/ chair. (586)506-0028

**957** Lincoln, Grosse Pointe City. Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Furniture, household items, toys, gas stove/ oven.

**GARAGE/** estate sale! Grosse Pointe Woods, 1318 Edmundton. Friday, Saturday. 8:30am-1pm.

**409 GARAGE/YARD/  
RUMMAGE SALE**

**967** Fisher, Grosse Pointe. Friday, 9am-3pm. Baby toys, clothes, etc. Tools, compressor, household items and furniture.

**AAUW** used book sale! September 19- 21; 9:30am- 7:30pm. September 22; (bag day) 9:30am- noon. Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack.

**ANNUAL** Rummage Sale, St. Paul Lutheran Church. 375 Lothrop (Corner of Lothrop & Chalfonte) in Grosse Pointe Farms. Friday, September 21 & Saturday, Sept. 22 9am-4pm both days. We have transformed our entire church basement into a giant "Resale Department Store" with something for everyone. Books, toys, linens, adult & children's clothing, hard goods, tools, electrical, furniture, jewelry and more. We are known for our bargain prices and large volume of items. We also have a "boutique" shop with antiques, collectibles and fine glassware. Proceeds benefit ministries within the church as well as community charities in Detroit & Southeast Michigan.

**AWESOME** 2 family sale. 1154/ 67 Grayton. Furniture, antiques, pottery, household and decorative items, maternity clothes, toys, videos, bikes. Tons of treasures. Saturday, 9am-4pm.

**BEAUTY** salon moving sale! Everything must go. Glass shelving, mirrors, pictures, equipment, etc. Sunday, September 30, 12-3pm. 373 Fisher Road, Grosse Pointe.

**BLOCK** sale, Corteville Street, St. Clair Shores, Thursday- Saturday, 9:00am- 5:00pm.

**EMORY** Court block sale, Saturday, September 22; 9am- 3pm. Oak kitchen table set, other furniture. Sporting goods, baby items, toys, household goods, girl's clothes/ 2- 6 years, more.

**EVERYTHING** must go, 777 Roslyn, Grosse Pointe Woods. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8am- 4pm. Computer, ping-pong table, trampoline, swimming pool, girl's Limited Loo/ Express clothing and tons of household items!

**FARMS**, 471 Allard. Friday, Saturday 9:00am- 4:00pm. Household, miscellaneous, golf, balls, putters, tools, winter coats, fireplace logs, Lionel, German mugs.

**FARMS**- Multi-family. 429 Maison. Lilly Pulitzer, Kelly's Kids & winter children's clothing. Women's designer clothing & Lilly Pulitzer. Home furnishings, crafting & Christmas items, framed art, small kitchen appliances & much more! Friday & Saturday 9am-2pm.

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 536 Middlesex, off Windmill Pointe Drive. Saturday, 11am- 2pm. Good stuff!

**409 GARAGE/YARD/  
RUMMAGE SALE**

**FARMS**- Saturday, 9/22 only; 9:30- 3. First block Madison near Mack (corner of Moran). Multi-family garage sale. toys, children's clothing, maternity clothes, girl's bedroom furniture, household items, maple hutch.

**FRIDAY** 9am- 3pm only. 345 Piche on corner of Moross. Huge garage sale. Everything must go! Something for everyone. Housewares, china, hockey equipment, jewelry, clothes.

**GRANDMA** & mom's huge sale! Antiques, jewelry, Schwinn Air-dyne, roll away bed, crib, highchair, household items, quality clothing, lots of more. 1812 Broadstone Grosse Pointe Woods. Saturday 8:30am- 3pm

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 264 Ridgemont. Friday 21st, 9am- 1pm. Saturday 22nd, 9am- 12n. Infant boy's & girl's clothes, boy's Toddler to size 6, kitchen accessories, toys, new bedding set, 42" HD TV, men's & women's clothing.

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 423 Chalfonte. Friday, Saturday, 9am- 4pm. Something for everyone. Leaded glass doors, collectibles, household goods, jewelry, furniture.

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 1003 Audubon. Thursday- Saturday, 8:00am- 4:00pm. Furniture, some clothing, some antiques, miscellaneous.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1122 Hawthorne. Saturday 9am-3pm. Housewares, clothes, hunting, golf, furniture, electronics.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1208 Elford Court. Friday, 9:00am- 3:00pm. Homemade children's Halloween costumes- miscellaneous household items.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1297 Lochmoor. 8:00am- 4:00pm. Home plumbing fixtures: tub, lav, toilet, sinks, vanity. Wet saw, table saws, golf clubs, etc.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1645 Faircourt. Saturday, 9am- 2pm. Across from City Hall. Multiple home garage and moving sale. Housewares, furniture, file cabinets, humidifier, artwork, Christmas items, tools, lawn mower, gardening supplies, gas grill, books, etc. Free stuff for office tool room, garden, etc.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1962 Severn. Saturday only, 9:00am- 4:00pm.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 2119 Lennon. September 21, 22, 9:00am- 5:00pm. Antiques.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 872 Canterbury. 2 family sale. Household items, kid's stuff, Precious Moments, misc. items. Friday, 9am- 3pm., Saturday, 9am- 12n.

**MEN'S** delights. Shirts, sweaters, jackets, etc. Friday- Saturday 9:00am- 3:00pm. 617 Fairford at Morning-side.

**409 GARAGE/YARD/  
RUMMAGE SALE**

**GROSSE** Pointe, 437 Washington, Saturday, September 22nd 9:00am- 2:00pm. Household items, furniture, miscellaneous. No early birds.

**HARPER** Woods, 20001 Kingsville, Saturday, Sunday 9:00am- 4:00pm. Clothes, VHS tapes, miscellaneous.

**HARPER** Woods, 20497 Lochmoor. Friday/ Saturday 9am-2pm. 2- family sale! Bike trailer, books, jogger stroller, antiques, toys, maternity, crafts, kid's clothes, playhouse, and more!

**HUGE** garage sale! 903 Hampton Road, Woods. Girl's clothes 6- 12, decorative items, artist mosaic tables, glassware, home decor & more. September 21, 22. 10am- 5pm.

**HUGE** moving sale! Everything goes. 2022 Vernier at Mack. Friday 21st, Saturday 22nd. 9am- 5pm.

**MORAVIAN** Forest subdivision sale. Over 130 + homes. North of Metropolitan Parkway, West of Garfield. Friday, 9/ 21; Saturday, 9/ 22; 9am- 4pm.

**MOVING** sale, Friday & Saturday 8am. 20276 Lancaster, between Harper & Beaconsfield.

**MOVING**- 1834 Hunt Club/ off Mack. Friday, 9am- 3pm. Furniture household, books. 30 years of cooking magazines. Children's toys.

**MOVING**- furniture Hancock & Moore sofa, LaBarge, Century, Lexington wicker, pictures, lamps, household, Potter Barn kids. 25 Warner, Grosse Pointe Farms. Friday, Saturday, 10am- 2pm.

**MULTI**- family yard sale. Lots of great stuff, some antiques. Saturday, 9/ 22; 9am- 4pm. 1418 Grayton.

**POPULAR** multi-family garage sale. 215 Lakeview, Moross at Kercheval. Artwork, antiques & collectibles, adult & children's clothing, many new items for gift giving! Friday, Saturday, 9am-3pm.

**SEPTEMBER** 20- 22. 10am- 5pm. 23720 Glenbrook, north of Masonic off Jefferson. Housewares, dining set with china cabinet.

**SOROPTIMIST** annual garage sale! Saturday 8am- noon. 154 Lothrop at Kercheval. 100% proceeds support educational grants for women.

**ST. Clair Shores**, 22523 Violet, between 12 & 13. East to Jefferson. Thursday- Sunday, 3 houses. Tons of stuff, good quality.

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**FULL** mattress set \$200/ best. 20" JVC TV \$40. Girl's mountain bike \$75 (like new). Treadmill \$25. (313)882-9595

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**Animals**

**500 ANIMAL  
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**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Adoption Society- Pet adoption, Saturday, September 22; 12-3pm. Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. (313)884-1551, www.GPAAS.org

**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic: female Grosse Pointe Yorkshire; male Staffordshire Terrier; many kittens. (313)822-5707

**505 LOST AND FOUND**

**FOUND**: male cat in 700 block of Harcourt near Essex. Friendly! (313)884-1551

**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic: gray Lhasa mix; female brown Labrador mix; male Spaniel mix; male Hound mix; female Yorkshire mix. (313)822-5707

**LOST**: large black & white tuxedo cat, Rivard area. Please call, (313)886-2442

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FRIDAY, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 22  
9:00AM- 4:00PM

This historic Park home features some new and lots of old and antique items including a pair of sofas, a pair of plaid armchairs, a beautiful quality Pennsylvania House dining room set with lighted china cabinet for eight. Nice Mahogany server, two iron bistro sets, gun cabinet, an old gun, piano, armoire, rocker, very old baby bed, antique chandeliers, antique fireplace bench, andirons, hand painted cabinet, display cabinet, chaise, tons of religious items, depression, elegant & cut glass, lots of china, clothing from the past, furs, vintage post cards, quilts, antique wooden soldiers, jewelry, player piano, spinet piano. Lots and lots of things from the past. Don't miss it!

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**33 FAIR ACRES, GROSSE POINTE FARMS**  
(Off Kerby between Lakeshore and Grosse Pointe Blvd.)  
This beautiful home features Century mahogany dining table with 6 chairs, Century Asian sideboard, oak queen bedroom set, Aeronomic upright piano, antique mahogany Tambour, black leather sofas and chair, bamboo porch set, walnut wall unit, and more. Decorative items include framed prints, sterling, silver plate, tons of lady's designer clothing and accessories, everyday kitchen and more. STREET NUMBERS HONORED AT 8:30AM, FRIDAY ONLY. Our numbers available 8:30am-

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(313)933-3288</p> <p>3 bedroom upper, appliances, laundry, private porch, storage, Grosse Pointe schools &amp; parks. Wayburn, \$675. (248)867-8755</p> <p>414 Neff- 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, air, 2 car garage. \$1,400. Crane Realty (313)884-6451</p> <p>444 Neff Road. For lease, upper unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, natural fireplace. \$1,000 per month. No pets. (313)885-1626</p> <p>768 Neff, Grosse Pointe. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper, appliances included, garage space. Walk to Village. \$900. (313)729-1643</p> <p>867 Harcourt. Upper flat, 2 bedroom, den, 1 1/2 baths. \$900 plus deposit. No pets/ smoking. 313-822-4197</p> <p>879 Beaconsfield, 5 rooms, newly decorated, off street parking, quiet building, no pets, \$650/ month. (313)331-3559</p> <p>A must see, 1 bedroom upper, Grosse Pointe Woods. Approximately 1,000 square feet. \$690/ month, heat &amp; water included. (313)886-0614, days (313)461-6419, evenings.</p>	<p><b>700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS</b></p> <p><b>BEACONSFIELD.</b> south/ Jefferson. Quiet, 2 bedroom upper, updated kitchen, laundry. \$550. (586)772-0041</p> <p><b>BEACONSFIELD.</b> upper 2 bedroom with appliances, 4- family unit, heat/ water/ gas included. \$675. (313)822-0040</p> <p><b>CONDOS-</b> 1 &amp; 2 bedrooms. Appliances, central air, hardwood floors. No smoking, pets. \$595/ \$695. (313)882-4903</p> <p><b>EXTREMELY</b> 'cool' place. Unique loft like 2 bedroom apartment, above commercial building. High ceilings, exposed red brick walls, red oak floors. Grosse Pointe on Kercheval, \$900/ month, heat included. Will do background check. (313)821-8788</p> <p><b>GROSSE</b> Pointe Park, 992 Nottingham, 2 bedroom apartment, newly decorated, off-street parking, \$650/month plus utilities &amp; 1 1/2 month security deposit. 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No smoking or pets. 313-300-5152</p> <p><b>SOMERSET,</b> 3 bedroom upper, recently painted, appliances, separate basement, garage. No pets, \$775. plus security. (313)881-3039</p> <p><b>SPACIOUS</b> Lakepointe lower, 2 bedroom with office, private porch, free laundry, basement storage, parking. \$700. (313)881-4893</p> <p><b>TROMBLEY</b> upper- 3 bedroom, den, 2 1/2 baths, dining room, living room, updated kitchen, 2 car garage, \$1,300. (313)824-3228</p> <p><b>TROMBLEY-</b> Grosse Pointe Park- Elegant 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, located just off Windmill Pointe. Large family room with fireplace, spacious kitchen with breakfast nook, 2 car garage. References required. Details, (313)320-9535</p> <p><b>TROMBLEY:</b> spacious lower, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, family room/ fireplace, appliances, basement, garage, \$1,200 plus security. (313)690-0905</p> <p><b>VILLAGE,</b> nice 2 bedroom upper, garage, screened porch, \$795. (313)881-4306</p>	<p><b>701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY</b></p> <p>17144 Ontario, 3 bedroom, new kitchen, quiet dead-end street. Section 8 ok. (313)530-1313</p> <p>3970 Bluehill, 3 bedroom, no basement or garage. Section 8 okay. \$550/ month plus security deposit. Open house Saturday, September 22, 9-10am (586)557-2905</p> <p>4417 Devonshire, lower unit, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, living room, formal dining room, kitchen, \$650 plus shared utilities. Available October 15th or sooner. Call Maryrose, (586)634-4724</p> <p>896 Alter, nice master bedroom, fireplace, parking, laundry, heat, balcony. \$600 (313)823-9051</p> <p>903 Alter, 3 bedroom duplex, fireplace, garden patio, all appliances, \$675. (313)823-9051</p> <p><b>DUPLEX,</b> side by side 22110, 22106 Moross, central air, newly remodeled, basement. \$690/ month. (313)343-0622</p> <p><b>DUPLEX-</b> Ontario/ Cadieux. 2 bedroom, basement, yard. \$675, plus utilities. (313)407-5177</p> <p><b>MORANG,</b> 1 bedroom apartment, includes heat/ water/ air, laundry available. \$450. (313)884-1657</p> <p><b>MOROSS-</b> half duplex, 1 bedroom, den. Cute, clean, \$475/ month. (313)300-4921</p> <p><b>MUST</b> see 1 to 3 bedroom flats, Alter/ Jefferson area. Off-street parking. (313)331-6180</p>	<p><b>705 HOUSES FOR RENT POINTES/HARPER WOODS</b></p> <p>\$1,200: spacious 3 bedroom, 2 baths, near schools, shopping, fireplace, air. (313)881-9687</p> <p>1430 Hollywood- 3 bedroom bungalow. Updates throughout. \$1,235/ month. (810)499-4444</p> <p>4 bedroom 2 bath, newly remodeled, Grosse Pointe schools. \$1,100/ month. (586)212-9183</p> <p><b>GROSSE</b> Pointe Farms 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, \$1,350 plus security. Credit check. No pets. Southeastern Management, (313)640-1788</p> <p><b>GROSSE</b> Pointe Farms on McKinley, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage, completely finished basement \$1,800/ month includes water, carport. 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(586)764-6586</p> <p><b>HARPER</b> Woods bungalow, 3 bedroom, newly renovated, hardwood floors, new appliances, full basement. \$975/ month. (313)647-0530</p> <p><b>HARPER</b> Woods, 3 bedroom, bungalow. Basement, garage. Grosse Pointe Schools. \$875/ month, plus utilities. (586)739-7283</p> <p><b>NEWLY</b> decorated 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Grosse Pointe Schools. 20611 Hollywood. \$800/ month. (248)670-2132</p> <p><b>ONE</b> level, clean, 3 bedroom, appliances, yard. Security. Open Sunday. \$725. (313)884-1906</p> <p><b>PARK-</b> Maryland. 4 bedroom. 2 car garage, basement. \$1,075, plus utilities. (586)739-7283</p>	<p><b>706 HOUSES FOR RENT DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY</b></p> <p>3 bedroom, 2 full bath bungalow, finished basement. \$850, no utilities. 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- Tree fluid
- Uncle's wife
- Fragrant flower
- Sentry's command
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- Fanatic
- Teammate
- Youngster's transport
- "Oops"
- Foundation
- Noble title
- "American Buffalo"
- playwright
- Middle
- Old calculator
- Peace opposite
- Bound
- Not neat
- Defense acronym
- Once around the track
- Car
- Big story

**DOWN**

- Object of worship
- Crèche trio
- Influence
- Patrol
- Western state
- November birthstone
- Leave
- hurriedly
- Ostrich's kin
- Can material
- Museum fill
- Vintage TV game show
- Prisoner
- Allow
- Charlotte's creation
- Perjurer
- Gumbo
- ingredient
- Relate
- Cougar
- Moby-Dick's pursuer
- Actress
- Downey
- Fun and games
- Moisture on the lawn
- Election Day abbr.
- "Platoon" setting
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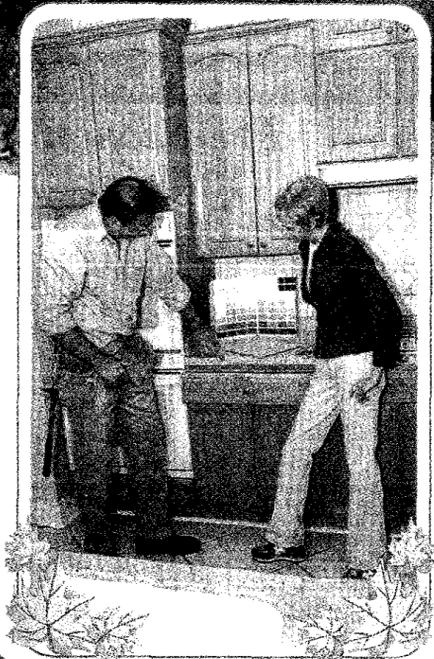
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# Bedroom makeover tips for sweet dreams

The bedroom is the first thing you see in the morning and the last thing you see at night. It is one of the hardest working rooms of the home because it has to store your belongings and clothing, provide a sanctuary when you want to escape the rest of the house, and serve as a comforting place to drift off to sleep.

Whether you're considering a complete room redo or are just making a few tweaks to your existing space, these tips will help the process.

- Get organized. Clutter doesn't make for a tranquil environment. In fact it could lead to feelings of anxiety as things close in on you.

- If your bedroom ends up being the catch-all for things around the house you want to keep behind closed doors, think about improving storage in other areas of the house to free up space in the bedroom. Sort through your items and figure out what can be tossed or donated.

- Think about your design preferences. Do you want a

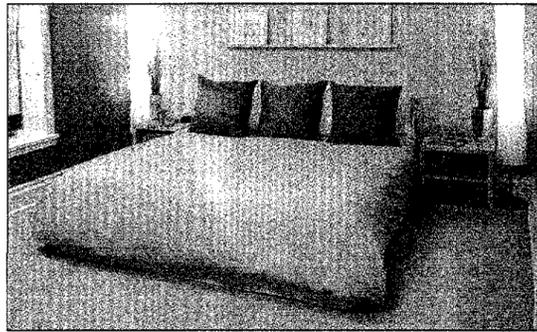
romantic space complete with billowing bed canopy? Does a theme room really impress you, transporting you to a tropical escape or a European destination?

Maybe you prefer the clean lines of a modern look and minimalist decor. Do what the professional designers do and create a room design board where you attach pictures of furniture you like, swatches of fabric and paint colors.

See what works and what doesn't as you head to the store.

- Furniture placement should be considered based on the space you have in the room. An idea for making a room seem larger than it really is would be to place the bed caddy-cornered as opposed to flush against a wall. Don't overload the room with furniture otherwise the space will seem too small and confining.

For rooms more forgiving on space, think about setting up mini-rooms within, such as a chaise and an ottoman in a corner for a reading nook, or partition off an area of the



room for wardrobe changes or exercise equipment.

- Lighting should be varied just as it would be in a kitchen. You want overhead lighting to illuminate the entire room. Accent lighting, such as wall sconces or spotlights, can highlight artwork or collections you have on the walls. Task lighting, like bedside lamps, make enjoying a late-night novel easy or can help you find the remote control on the night table if you want to enjoy in some TV watching while under the covers.

Small nightlights placed in a hallway or in the master suite bathroom will help you navigate when it's dark and you don't want to disturb others.

- Colors such as blues and greens can have a calming effect and are often used in bedrooms.

Pale yellows or peachy or-

ange can be uplifting when used as accent colors in a room.

- Hardwood flooring is popular in today's homes and may make an appearance in the bedroom as well. If you do have hardwood, be sure to place plush accent rugs to be soft underfoot when you walk around barefoot.

Many find that carpeting is beneficial in a bedroom because it is comfortable and provides sound-proofing properties.

Remember that many of the ideas that you find in design magazines and books can be replicated at home for a fraction of the cost. Use the furniture lines and color scheme as a starting point and infuse your own personality into the room of your dreams.

What's your design preference for a bedroom? Use your ideas to makeover the space.

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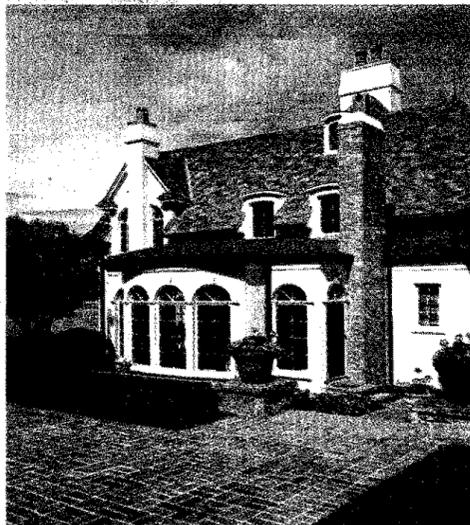
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# Building a better basement playroom — without a TV

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In this age of computer games, competitive soccer leagues and organized play dates for tots, it may surprise some parents to learn that the very best thing they could do for their youngsters' development is to send them down to the basement to play — by themselves — without a computer or a TV.

"Unstructured free play has been demonstrated to prepare children for school better than just about anything," observes Mara Kaplan, co-founder of the Center for Creative Play in Pittsburgh.

"In a free play environment, children decide how they want to play," Kaplan says. "They are free to use their imaginations and their own thought processes about how they want to move the play along without an adult telling them what to do."

Kaplan offered these tips for creating a basement space that encourages the free play that is

so important in developing essential cognitive, social, physical and emotional skills:

First, childproof the space so kids can play safely.

"Little ones need to be able to crawl around, explore and reach for things that capture their attention," she says. "We don't want to contain their activities too much, so it's important that the space be comfortable and free of safety hazards."

Cover up electrical sockets and make sure there are no cords in which a youngster can become entangled. That's made easier by not having a TV or computer in the basement.

Cover up a bare concrete floor to create a warmer, more resilient surface.

Some parents start with a modular subfloor system such as DRIcore that creates an air gap between the concrete and subfloor to block transmission of cold from the concrete. And, because it's a wood product, it is more forgiving of the inevitable childhood tumbles.

Carpet or any floating floor such as laminate, vinyl or cork

can be installed on top.

With the basics attended to, unleash your own creativity to develop a space that will stimulate your child's imagination and encourage creative play.

Some Ideas:

- Set up a play kitchen.
- Make shelves for a pretend grocery store. "Stock" them with empty boxes and containers from the real kitchen upstairs.
- Paint one wall with chalkboard paint to give the kids a giant "canvas" on which to draw or scribble.
- Get the kids to help you design and paint a mural on one or more walls.
- If you've installed a modular subfloor, consider leaving part of it exposed without carpet. Kaplan suggested painting the squares in alternating black and white to create a giant checkerboard, or outlining a hockey rink, a hopscotch board or a four-square court. Finish with multiple coats of polyurethane for protection and see how the kids incorporate it into their play.
- Provide a small table and

chairs for games, art projects and play with blocks and puzzles. Blocks are one of the best toys to stimulate a child's imagination, Kaplan says. She recommends basic, high quality wood blocks that can be arranged and rearranged infinitely, rather than the kind that come as a kit to build something specific.

"Playing with blocks can help to teach spatial awareness, balance, art, math, and a host of other lessons," she says.

• Encourage dress-up play by going to your local thrift shop and buying all sorts of fun, used clothing. Then decorate a large box with fun designs to store the play wardrobe.

• Set aside a quiet space where your child can read or



daydream. Furnish it with some comfy cushions, fuzzy throw pillows or beanbag chairs and set it off visually from the rest of the playroom.

One of the rewards of creating an inviting, fun play space is that "the battle to keep kids

from spending too much time in front of the TV or computer will be easier," Kaplan says.

The floor of a basement playroom is warmer and more comfortable when a modular subfloor is installed under the carpet.

## Wallpaper removal tips the pros use

When most people undertake a painting project, it's not the actual painting they dread, it is the preparation. And when preparation means removing wallpaper, it's particularly difficult. Removing wallpaper doesn't have to be difficult.

"There are a variety of tools professionals use to help make painting jobs go faster," says Denis Tierney, product manager at Wagner Spray Tech. "Wallpaper was popular in the past but today much of it is old and people want to remove it without having a lot of hassle. With the right steps, it won't be a job that you'll loath."

When it comes to stripping wallpaper, there are a variety of techniques, but some are easier than others.

First, take a look at the wall to be worked on. Prepare the area by moving furniture from the room or moving it to the

middle. Cover furniture and flooring at the bottom of the wall because the glue from the wallpaper is very sticky and can be difficult to remove once on fabric or carpet.

Using a steamer can be a huge time saver and is a popular wallpaper removal tool for professionals and interior designers. Steamers can be rented or purchased. They can be used for multiple tasks, such as cleaning tile, stove tops and other sanitizing purposes.

Start by scoring the wallpaper. A scoring tool will properly perforate the wallpaper before steaming and stripping.

Next, apply steam to the wallpaper and slowly pull the paper to remove it from the wall. If the wallpaper is old, one swipe might be all you need for removal as older adhesives can be more susceptible to moisture.

Newer wallpaper has better glue technology and might be more difficult and require additional scoring and steam application.

After a piece of wallpaper is removed, take a damp, warm rag and gently wipe the area to remove excess glue that might remain on the wall. If the glue begins to harden, soften it with a quick swipe of the steamer.

Allow time for the wall to properly dry. Once dry, examine any dents or damages that have affected the wall while the wallpaper was applied or as it was being removed.

This is the time to repair any damaged areas to ensure the best looking results. Use putty or plaster on any larger holes and consider priming the entire wall prior to painting. Once the wall is clean and smooth, you have a new canvas on which to paint.

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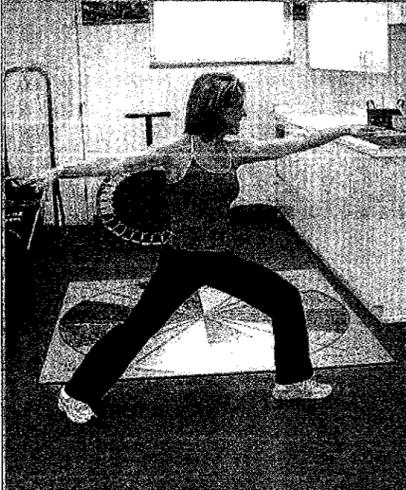
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Cleaning house has come a long way since the days of doing laundry in a washbasin and scrubbing the floors with vinegar and water. Yet with all that progress comes some drawbacks, namely dangerous chemicals that can pose risks to your family's health as well as the environment.

Prior to World War II, most homeowners kept a cleaning toolbox of only a few healthy, natural items they mixed themselves to use all over the house. Today, advances in chemistry and cleaning have stocked store shelves with products for nearly any household chore. But those choices might not make your home any healthier, so it might be time to consider looking to the past for safe, all-natural cleaning tools.

Here are a few time-tested, all natural cleaning products, as well as a couple of recipes to consider incorporating into your home-cleaning routine.

• **White vinegar** — One of the most versatile and affordable cleaning agents around, white vinegar's grease-cutting powers can be used to clean dishes and countertops, polish some metals, clean glass and absorb smoke odors.

• **Borax** — For doing laundry, nothing kicks out stains better than 20 Mule Team Borax, a brand-name natural laundry



booster that's more than 115 years old. Team it up with a laundry detergent for whiter whites and brighter colors. Borax is also versatile enough to make everything sparkle from fine china and cookware to showers, tubs and tiles. It's also a natural deodorizer.

• **Lemon juice** — Affordable and naturally fresh smelling, lemons are excellent for breaking down hard water and soap scum build-ups. Lemons can also be combined with vinegar to create a bleach substitute, to be used on clothing and cutting boards. Throw one down the garbage disposal to get rid of unwelcome odors.

• **Baking soda** — This is another solution for absorbing bad odors, such as those in the refrigerator. Rather than dumping unhealthy chemicals into the sewer system, mix baking soda with boiling water

for a safe and effective drain cleaner. Here are a couple of recipes for natural cleaning:

**Household Cleaner**

- 1/4 cup baking soda
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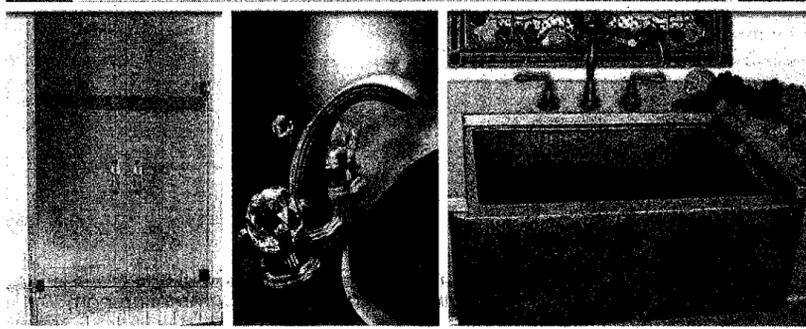
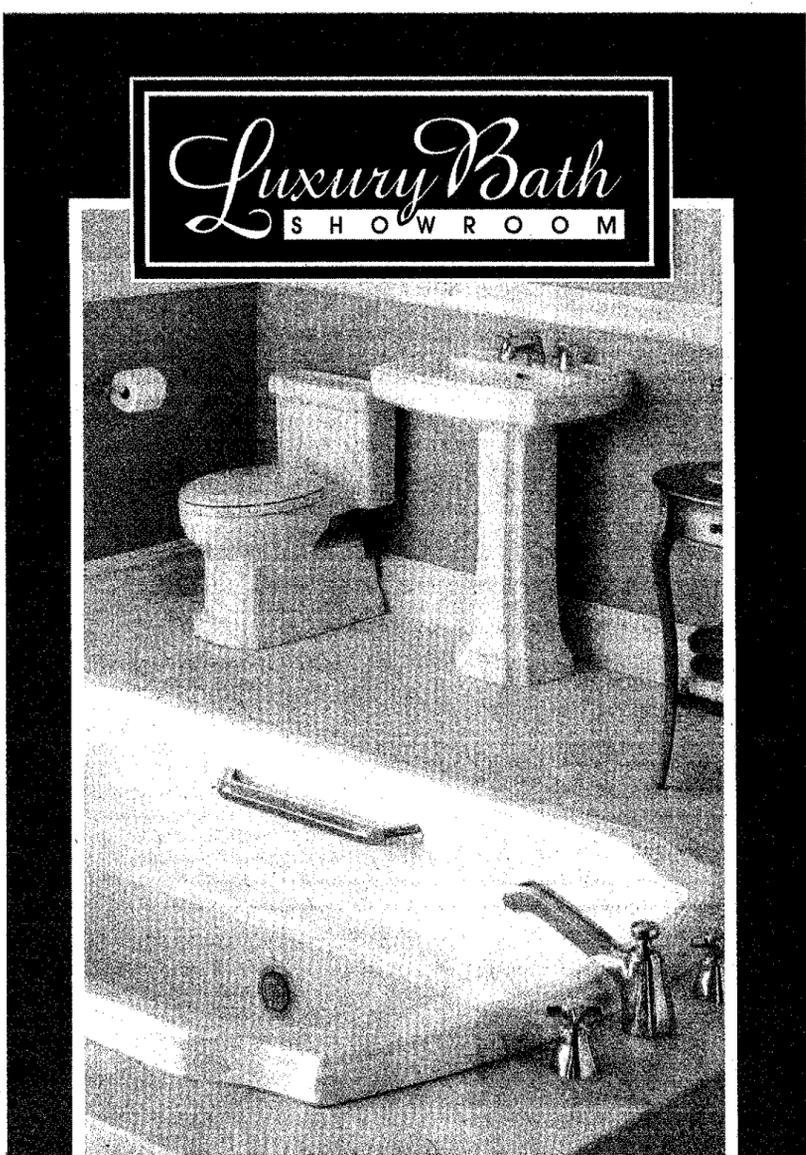
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# Next generation pressure-treated lumber boasts new advantages

With America's burgeoning interest in home improvement, it's no surprise there are so many new products on the market. Home improvement stores offer immense variety, even for the most basic building materials, like wood.

If you go shopping for wood today, you'll find several kinds: softwoods, hardwoods and pressure-treated, as well as wood composites. You can even buy vinyl and aluminum products for traditional wood applications. So what is the best option?

Experts say it depends on the project and the maintenance requirements. For many

years, the most popular product for building fences, decks, planter boxes and other outdoor structures has been pressure-treated wood. Pressure-treated wood uses preservatives to prolong the life of the wood. When first introduced for residential use decades ago, homeowners were thrilled with its performance and it continues to be the product of choice for myriad outdoor applications.

The preservatives used to make pressure-treated wood make the product resistant to decay and termite attack. The most common types of treated wood, ACQ and Copper Azole,

require the use of fasteners and connectors with more corrosion protection than what was required with CCA-treated wood, which was phased out in 2003. This means builders who use ACQ and Copper Azole have to pay more attention to the type of fasteners and hardware they use.

One of the most popular alternatives to hit the market in recent years is a product called ProWood Micro, recently introduced by Universal Forest Products, the nation's leading pressure-treated wood manufacturer. ProWood Micro was named one of the Top 50 Best New Products at the International Builders' Show this year.

ProWood Micro is different from the other copper-based preservatives (ACQ, Copper Azole) in that its copper component uses micronizing technology. Micronizing eliminates the solvent that is needed with ACQ and Copper Azole. No solvent means better corrosion properties and a lighter, fresher appearance. Tests have shown that it maintains its natural wood beauty longer than non-treated wood and other pressure-treated brands. In addition, ProWood Micro can be used with the same hot-dipped galvanized

fasteners that were used with CCA. ProWood Micro is also compatible with aluminum, whereas ACQ and Copper Azole are not.

Deck installers are enamored of the product as well. "I like how the new ProWood Micro doesn't have that dark green tint -- it looks more like natural, untreated wood," says Rich Dykhouse, a builder who has been installing decks for over 20 years. "Plus, I don't have to charge my customers extra for the more expensive fasteners that are required for the other types of treated lumber."

The company also offers ProWood Micro with MicroShades, a pre-colored version of the treated lumber product. ProWood Micro with MicroShades is tinted to a natural, wood-tone color. MicroShades is the only commercially available wood colorant that uses an in-solution pigment system, making it more fade resistant and more consistent in color compared to dyes. It also has better penetration than stain. What's more, ProWood Micro with MicroShades maintains natural wood characteristics and has a two-year warranty against color loss for fence products.

"Homeowners and builders

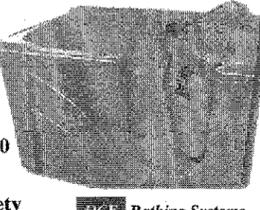
both latched on to the concept of pressure-treated wood because of its long life. ProWood Micro has that same benefit, but after one year of exposure it maintains its original beauty much better than untreated products like cedar and redwood," says Dick Gauthier, vice president of marketing for Universal Forest Products. In addition, Gauthier adds, "ProWood Micro can be used with aluminum and standard hot-dipped galvanized fasteners."

Environmentalists say that pressure-treated wood is, in

general, good for the environment. The product lasts longer than untreated wood, meaning fewer trees are harvested. Less lumber is being trucked, meaning less fuel consumed. Pressure-treated wood also uses less energy in the manufacturing process than non-traditional materials like plastic or steel.

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The most popular materials for kitchen countertops are granite, engineered stone, solid surfacing and laminate.

In the past decade, granite has become the most desired surfacing material for many homeowners for not only its durability, but also its prestige. Granite is nearly heat- and scratch-resistant, but is porous and requires to be resealed at least once a year to resist bacteria. Investment: high.

Engineered stone is a natural quartz surface composed of approximately 93 percent quartz and 7 percent high-performance polymers. It offers the aesthetics and durability of granite without the maintenance. Unlike natural granite, engineered stone is non-porous, reducing the poten-

tial for bacterial growth—and doesn't require sealing, buffing or polishing. Engineered stone is often more expensive than granite. Investment: high.

Solid-surface countertops are a manmade material of acrylic and polyester resins, resulting in a highly durable surface that is resistant to water, burns, bacteria and stains. Scratches can be removed using a mild household abrasive or fine-grade sandpaper. Investment: medium to high.

Laminate is the most commonly used surfacing material as it is relatively easy to install and maintain, and is budget-conscious. While laminate is resistant to stains and bacteria, it can scratch and cannot handle high temperatures. Laminate designs have also come a long way in recent years, with patterns that mimic the look and feel of granite, stone, concrete and metal. Investment: low to medium.

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As much as half of the energy used in a home goes toward heating and cooling, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. To minimize the energy and dollars spent to heat a home this winter, it's essential that windows and doors are energy efficient.

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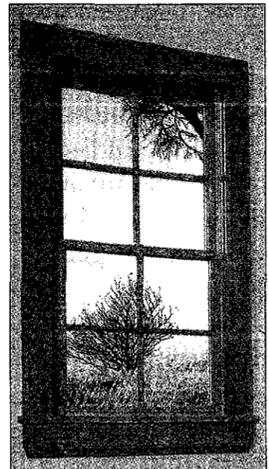
To maximize a home's energy efficiency, consider the following tips:

1. Start at the front.

A home's front door can play a vital role as one of the first lines of defense against the elements. If a door does not close properly or lets in a draft, a homeowner's utility bills can pay the price. Homeowners should check the weatherstripping and any gaps around the door that can let heat escape. If these features cannot be easily fixed, it may be time to replace the door.

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# Lighting plays a huge role in your home's curb appeal

The days are getting shorter and soon you'll be returning home from work or school in the dark, but how inviting will your home be? If you're already dreading the unsafe feeling of turning into a dark driveway, now is the time to update your lighting, but where should you start?

**#1 Survey the Problem**  
Walk across the street after dark and take a long, hard look at your front door. Can you see the door knob, how about the house number? If not, you have a poorly lit front entrance.

**#2 Gather Ideas**  
For ideas on how to improve your lighting situation, hop in the car at night and drive to a newer neighborhood with model homes and note what they've done; or pick up a

home and garden magazine too see what's new. Keep in mind, the goal of outdoor lighting is to create a look that is comfortable, while at the same time providing a feeling of safety and security.

Here is a list of today's popular trends:

- \* Placing wall lanterns on either side of both the front and garage doors;
- \* Adding matching hanging fixtures or ceiling mounted fixtures above the door;
- \* Installing pathway lighting leading up to the house and along the driveway;
- \* Adding post mounted lights out front to help increase security and prevent people from accidentally driving on the grass or landscaping in the dark.

**#3 Shop for Fixtures**

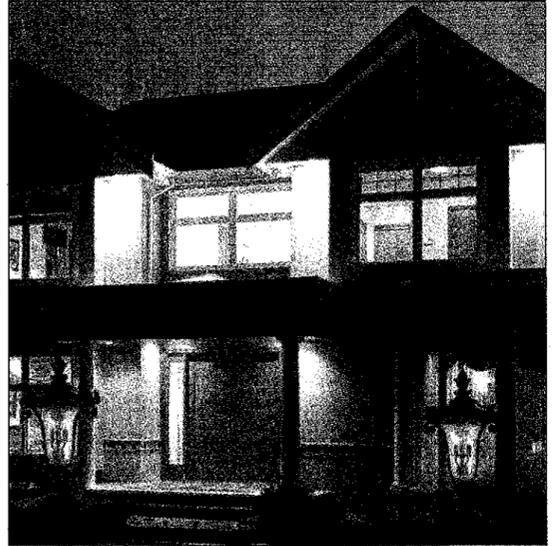


You don't need to spend a lot of time running from lighting store to lighting store to shop for fixtures. To get an idea of the latest looks available, just log on to [www.lightingshowplace.com](http://www.lightingshowplace.com), click on the outdoor lighting link and you'll have access to an online catalog with hundreds of fixtures to choose from. Once you find a look you like, the site makes

it easy for you to pair up matching pieces.

Adding outdoor lighting is a smart investment not only from a security standpoint, but because of the dramatic affect it has on curb appeal.

When you're ready to begin the dramatic and instant beautification of your property, log on to [www.lightingshowplace.com](http://www.lightingshowplace.com).



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## Decorating tips for those small rooms in your home

Decorating areas with limited space can be a challenge. By following some simple rules,

you can easily utilize the space you have while still projecting your personal style.

Here are some ideas to consider when decorating a small room:

**Plan Ahead**

Think about what function you want the room to have. Will it be a guest bedroom, an office, a reading den or an exercise room? Once you determine how the room can function, you can start deciding on furniture and other decorative elements.

**Cut Clutter**

Nothing makes a small room look smaller than clutter. A wall full of pictures or tables full of magazines give the visual effect that the room can't hold everything that it should, and therefore looks smaller in size. Remember that openness and neatness create a space that looks larger.

The key to choosing furniture is to make sure it is size appropriate and multifunctional. Overstuffed chairs and couches are better for larger rooms while a loveseat or rocking

chair might be better for small spaces. Measure the room before choosing furniture to make sure it will fit.

Look for pieces that serve multiple purposes to stay organized and remove clutter. End tables and shelves often have built-in drawers for storage. Couches are multifunctional. For example, Natuzzi offers sofas that have a comfortable pull-out bed without the typical center support bar. The sleeper sofas are designed for easy opening and a clutter-free sleeping space.

**Decor**

Accent pieces are a good place to add color and patterns to your small room. From casual-country to Asian-themed, develop a room theme through the decorative details.

Minimize decorative pieces to eliminate a messy look. A vase, one piece of wall artwork and several accent pillows will add a lot of style without overdoing it.

**Lighting**

A small room needs to be adequately lit because light does a lot to visually open up space. If you are able, consider built-in lighting such as track or recessed elements. If not, use lamps that are smaller sizes and do not have large shades.

Thick and heavy curtains keep out the natural light. Light and airy curtains are key for smaller rooms. Another popular trick is to decorate with mirrors. This not only makes the space appear larger.

**Color**

Dark colors and intricate designs are not suitable for the walls of smaller rooms. When painting, choose a lighter color that opens up the wall space and also reflects the light in the room.

Coordinate color palettes so that the other elements of the room match the walls. Carpet and furniture in the same tones blend the visual flow and trick the eye, making the room appear larger.

Follow these tips and you will be well on your way to finding success in decorating smaller spaces.

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Summer is coming to an end and you know what that means -- the 2008 football season is here. If you want your home to gain a reputation of being "the place" to enjoy the game, now is the time to start getting ready.

A good place to start is by stocking up on supplies: disposable cups, plates, napkins, serving trays and utensils; soda and bottled water; chips and pretzels; and all the right gear to cheer on your team.

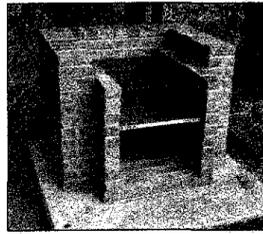
You'll also have to decide

where everyone will gather to watch the big game. These days, people's backyards have all the comforts of home -- a relaxing place to sit, electrical connections for televisions and stereos and a refrigerator where snacks and drinks can be stored. People are also putting in outdoor ovens that do double duty, not only providing a place to cook brats and burgers, but on those upcoming cold winter days, warmth as well.

If you don't have a barbecue

oven yet, but want to create an outdoor living space in time for football season, start by deciding where it should go, then invite some friends over to help you build one. Here's how:

**Required Materials:**  
 Sakrete All-Purpose Gravel  
 Sakrete Type N Mortar Mix  
 Two (2) Metal grates  
**Required tools:**  
 Plasterer's trowel  
 Hoe  
 Mixing box  
 Level  
 Four (4) wooden posts (2x4s)



**Optional:** sill plate  
**Directions:**  
 1. Map out area for concrete footing with wooden posts and secure them in the ground. Lay

a level bed of Sakrete All-Purpose gravel and pack it even. Pour a concrete footing about four to six inches thick.

2. Begin building walls with a layer of Sakrete Type N Mortar between the footing and the first layer of brick. You should begin at the corners and work inward. Check after each layer with a level to make sure your finished product will be level.

3. When the structure is 2/3 of its scheduled height, place a row of bricks protruding to the inside to create a ridge for the

metal grate (purchased at your local hardware store) to rest on, then do it again several layers up to create enough space between grates for charcoal.

4. Once the barbecue walls are complete, to install a sill plate to provide a means to set and anchor the roof or floor joists. The sill plate is also anchored with bolts into the block cells filled with Portland cement grout.

5. Place metal grates inside grill and fill the lower with the charcoal.

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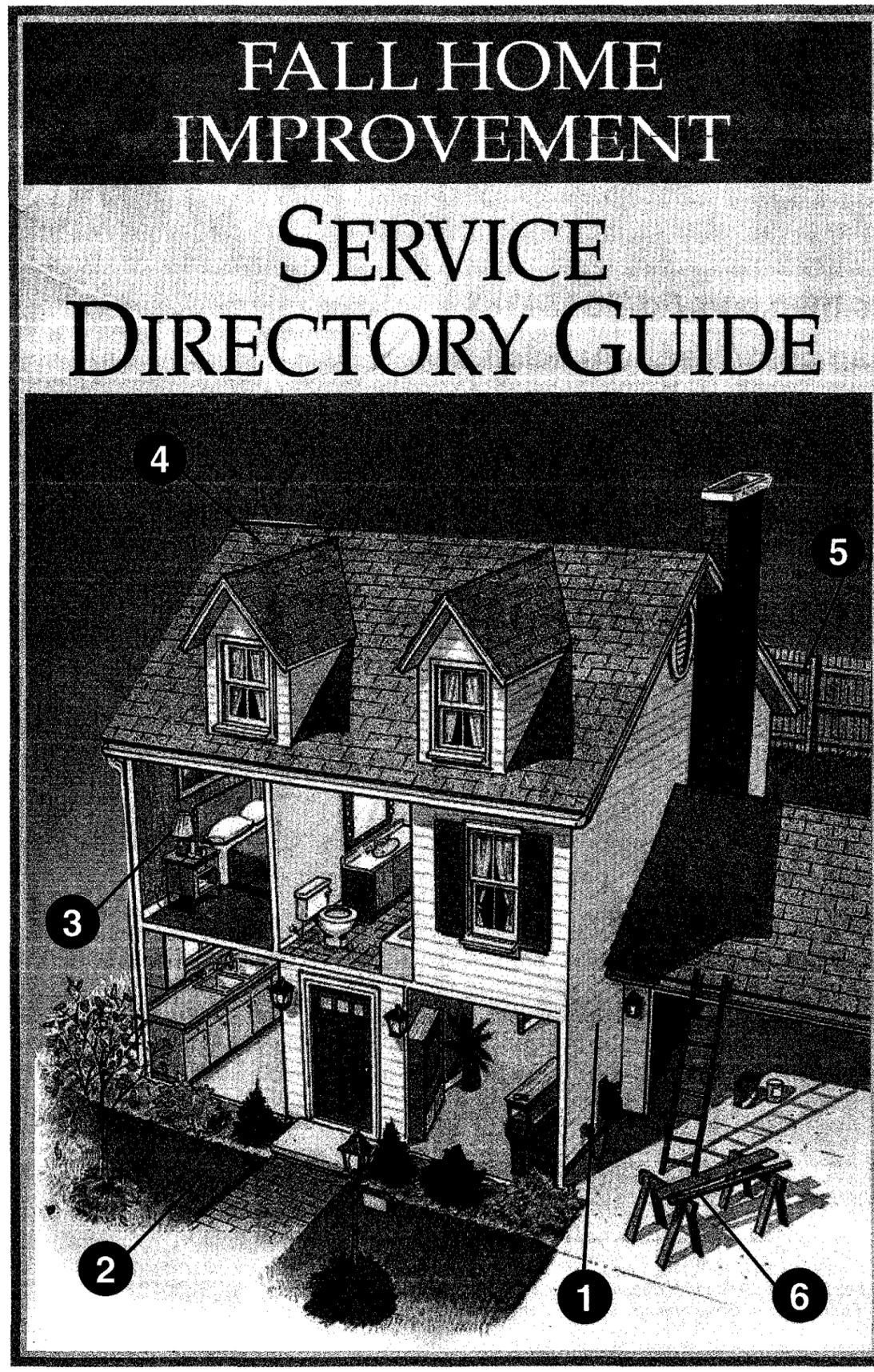
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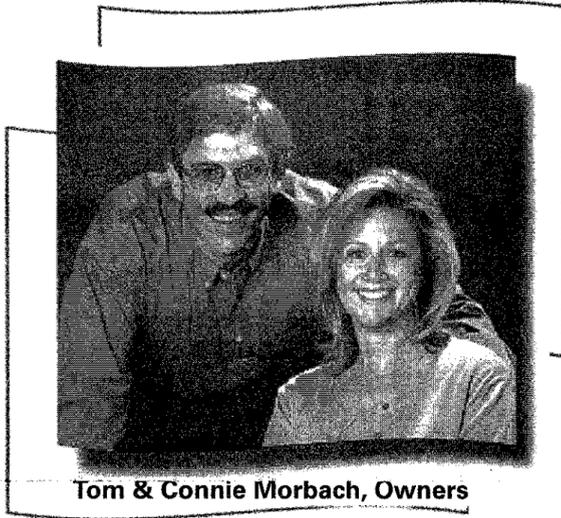
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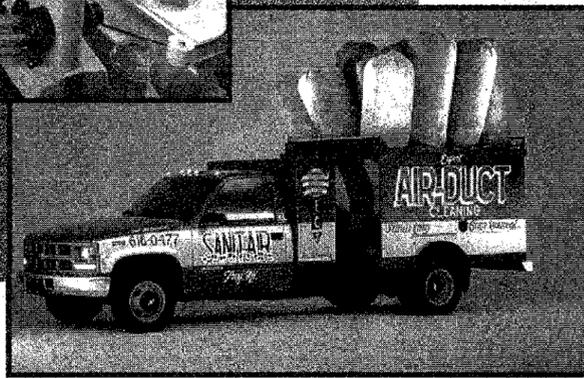
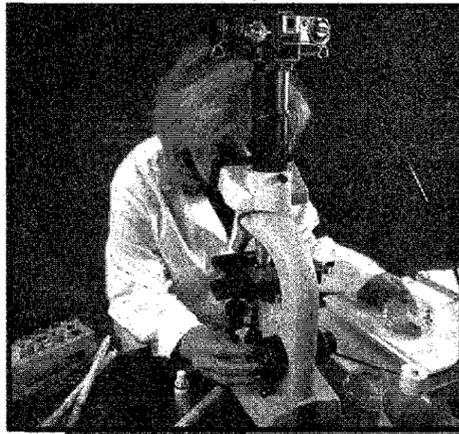
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