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**Week ahead**

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**FRIDAY, OCT. 26**

◆ Bon Secours Assistance League Group IV fundraiser is from noon to 3:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For reservations, call Kathy Lenz at (313) 886-3995.

**SUNDAY, OCT. 28**

◆ A three-hour walking tour through Elmwood Cemetery begins with a noon registration. The walk begins at 1 p.m. and costs \$10. For more information, call Joe Malburg at (313) 567-3454.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Symphony Wind Quintet highlights the Grosse Pointe Chamber Music program at 2:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets are available at the door.

**MONDAY, OCT. 29**

◆ A public forum to review the K-12 science curriculum begins at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe North High School library, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Questions may be directed to: Chris Geerer, science specialist, (313) 432-3053.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31**

**Halloween**  
 ◆ Merchants in The Village open their doors to costumed, elementary-aged trick-or-treaters from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. From 4 to 5:15 p.m., children can participate in games such as "musical hay bales" and a costume contest. Prizes will be awarded for the scariest, most original and best overall costume. This event is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Village Association in cooperation with the City of Grosse Pointe. The Friends of the Library will pass out books.  
 ◆ Kercheval Avenue will be closed to vehicular traffic from 1 to 5:30 p.m.  
 ◆ Trick or treating along Mack begins at 3 p.m. This is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 1**

◆ The second annual Shaken Not Stirred, a fundraiser in honor of Frank J. Sladen Jr. is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets begin at \$50.

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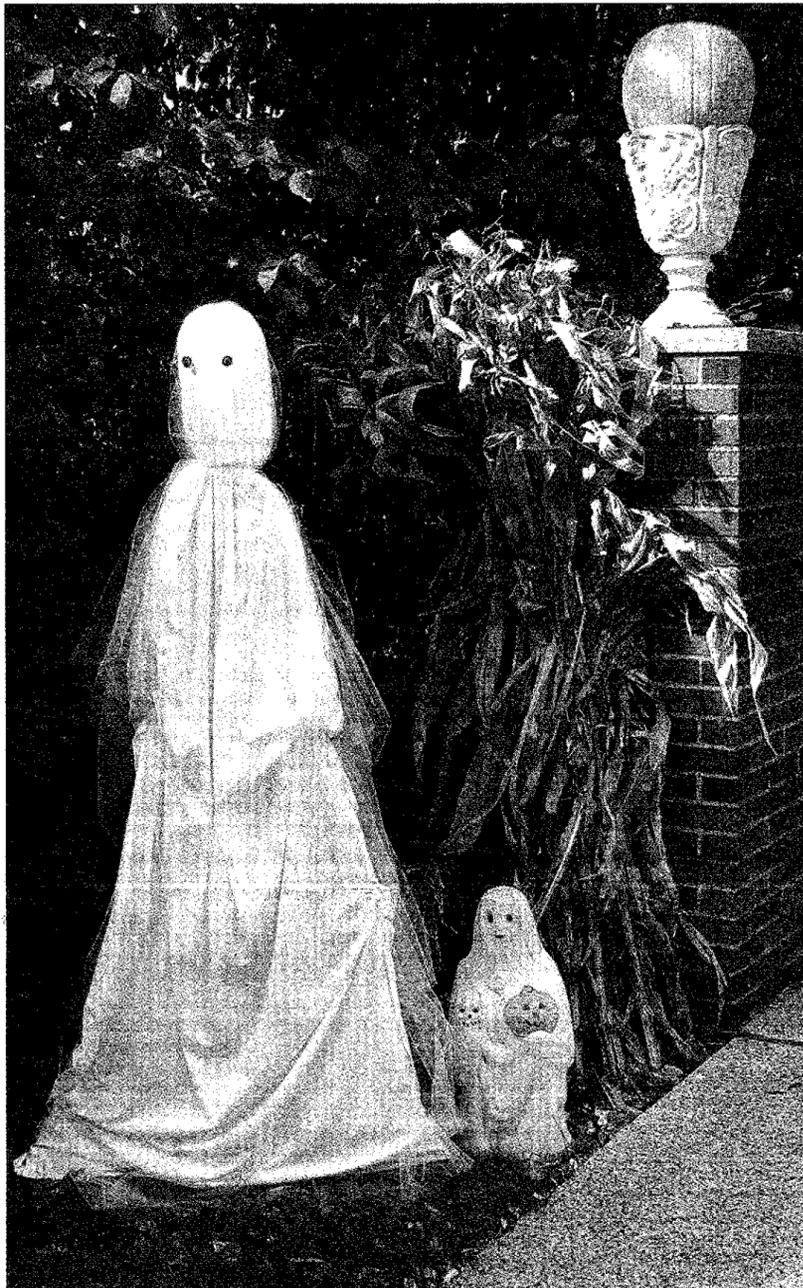


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## Walk with me

Halloween decorating has become nearly as popular as decorating for Christmas. Drive through the Pointes and motorists can see ghosts, witches, graveyards, pumpkins, corn stalks and black cats. See more photos on page 24A.

## Students beat staph infection

By Bob St. John  
 Staff Writer

Two Grosse Pointe South football players are back in class after suffering from staph infections in late September.

Another suspected case of MRSA (Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus) was reported.

According to health officials, MRSA is a type of "staph" bacteria that causes skin infections that can't be treated with certain antibiotics.

It is sometimes mistaken for a spider bite. Symptoms range from minor to serious, including skin redness and swelling, pimple-like red bumps, boils, rash, fever, headache and

malaise. Infections can spread quickly to other parts of the body or to other people.

"One of the mothers of our athletes who is a nurse brought it to our attention," said Brandon Slone, Grosse Pointe South assistant principal and athletic director. "We were very aggressive with our reaction. We want to make sure all students are safe."

In a letter to parents, district officials said, "There is no cause for alarm. When two confirmed cases and one suspected case of MRSA staph infections were reported several weeks ago at South, protocol was followed.

"The students have recovered, been cleared and resumed activities.

"The health department, infectious disease, and local hospitals were all notified, as were families with students in the football program."

On Saturday, Sept. 22, custodians cleaned and disinfected the following at South and at North:

- ◆ All the walls and floors in all the locker and shower rooms.
- ◆ Inside and outside all the locker rooms.
- ◆ All toilets and sinks in all locker rooms.
- ◆ All touchable surfaces in both locker rooms.
- ◆ All hallways in the athletic area and floor mats were disinfected or thrown away.

See INFECTION, page 3A

# Plan reduction in works

## Eliminating one floor may be inevitable at Central

By Beth Quinn  
 Staff Writer

To trim the \$26,000,000 price tag of renovating and expanding the Central branch library, the Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees is considering paring down its plans.

At its Oct. 22 meeting, trustees weighed the pros and cons of a two-story addition presented by designLAB, the architectural firm commissioned to work on the Marcel Breuer designed library.

Bob Miklos, designLAB senior partner, stated all the library's goals and needs can be accommodated by enhancing Breuer's original design

and building a smaller addition.

"We can reduce the square footage without compromising the library's programming goals or design integrity," Miklos said.

The last set of concept designs by Miklos and his team placed the library's administrative staff offices, a public conference/meeting room and the mechanical room on a third level.

DesignLAB feels confident it can incorporate those areas within a two-story configuration, Miklos said.

"We will need to massage the space," he said.

See LIBRARY, page 3A

# Response time in question

## What's up DTE?

By John Lundberg  
 Staff Writer

A Grosse Pointe resident planning a dinner party Saturday night ran into a problem. Because Alger Deli & Liquor had been without power for hours, store personnel couldn't use their electric scale to weigh the several filets she planned to cook. Undaunted, the customer went to an area hardware store and purchased

a small scale to weigh the meat.

Grosse Pointe residents have come to expect prompt and excellent services from their communities.

Public safety departments report rapid response time to emergency calls, and the Grosse Pointes deliver other timely services to their residents.

So what's up with DTE, they ask.

See RESPONSE, page 3A

**POINTER OF INTEREST**

*'We have to adapt to some of their needs, like being aware of whistle blowing.'*

## Diane Karabetsos



**Home:** Grosse Pointe Woods  
**Age:** 64  
**Family:** Children, Frank, 37; John 35; Nikos, 33; Dimitri, 28; and Aris, 22  
**Claim to fame:** Initiated special education soccer  
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 2 times a month  Never

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 Other (list) \_\_\_\_\_

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 1= Frequently 2= Occasionally 3= Seldom

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 1= Frequently 2= Occasionally 3= Seldom

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10. Describe a feature(s) you would like to see added in the Grosse Pointe News.

11. How often do you read the Classified Ads in the Grosse Pointe News?

Every week  Once a month   
 3 times a month  Never   
 2 times a month

12. Have you placed a classified ad in the Grosse Pointe News during the past 12 months?  
 Yes  No   
 If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

13. If you have placed a classified ad, how would you rate the response to the ad?

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 Poor (received few calls)

14. How often do you read the Display Advertisements in the Grosse Pointe News?

Always  Sometimes   
 Often  Rarely

15. How often do you read the advertising sections (Home Improvement, Ask the Experts, New Arrivals, coupon book, etc.) inserted in the Grosse Pointe News?

Always  Sometimes   
 Often  Rarely

16. How often do you use the Grosse Pointe News to help make shopping decisions or plan regular shopping?

Always  Sometimes   
 Often  Rarely

17. Do you look to the Grosse Pointe News **YourHome** section for real estate news and advertising?  
 Yes  No

18. When shopping for a new or used car, how often do you refer to the Auto ads?

Always  Sometimes   
 Often  Rarely

19. What type of advertisements would you like to see in the Grosse Pointe News that would help you in your future purchases?

20. How often do you visit our Website?

Frequently  Occasionally   
 Seldom  Never

21. What is your primary reason for visiting our website?

News  Classifieds   
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

22. Would you consider placing a classified ad or ordering a subscription through our website?  
 Yes  No

23. What would you like to see more of on the Website?

24. What city do you live in?

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 Grosse Pointe Park   
 Grosse Pointe Shores   
 Grosse Pointe Woods   
 Other (list): \_\_\_\_\_

25. How long have you lived at this location?

26. Are you...  
 Male  Female

27. What age group describes you best?

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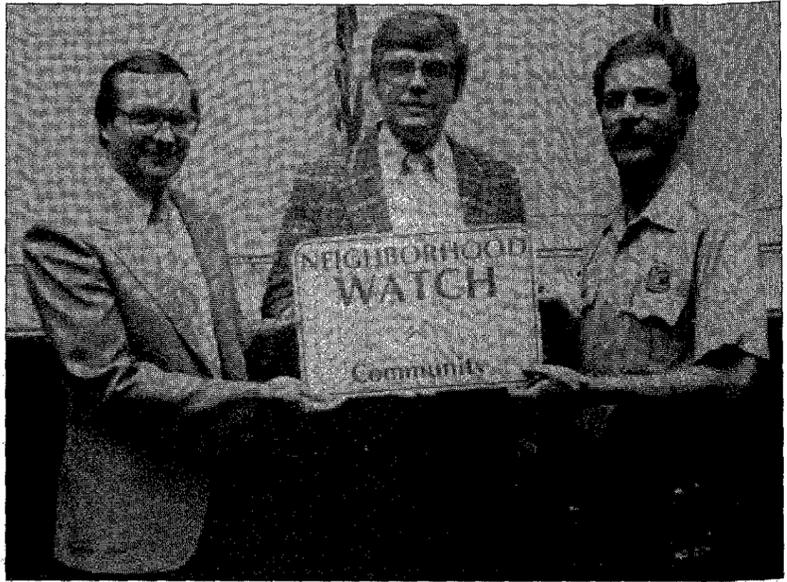
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## Yesterday's headlines



## 1982: Watch out

The Grosse Pointe Woods Progressive Association Inc., a homeowners group, recently expanded its neighborhood watch program. Signs like the one above have been appearing on streets in the Woods as of late. From left are security committee Chairman Richard Browski, group President Michael Slomski and Woods police officer Patrick Fagan. (From the Oct. 21, 1982 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.)

## 1957

50 years ago this week

◆ **NEW SWIMMING POOLS OPEN:** Two new swimming pools at Parcels and Pierce junior high schools opened to students and the general public recently.

A schedule for swimming instruction was posted so that children and adults can take lessons. One session a week has been put aside for couples. Swim classes have been set at 10-week intervals.

◆ **WOODS OFFICIALS TENDER RESIGNATIONS:** Woods city administrators Herbert Brauns and Walt Coburn tendered their resignations to the Woods city council after accepting jobs outside the city.

Brauns, Woods city clerk, elected to become chief accountant for the city of Rockford, Ill. and Coburn, administrative assistant, accepted a job with the Ann Arbor planning commission.

Both men told the Woods council earlier that they intended to change jobs, so their resignations did not come as a surprise. The Woods has begun advertising for replacements and is considering combining the duties of both positions.

◆ **TORCH DRIVE COLLECTIONS EXCEED \$200,000:** Pointe volunteers solicited \$201,529 in the ninth annual Torch Drive recently.

The amount collected represents the highest percentage of quotas met by any residential region in Michigan. The annual collection drive lasts 10 days. The 1957 goal is \$332,325, which organizers expect to reach.

## 1982

25 years ago this week

◆ **WOODS KILLS REZONING PLAN:** In a surprise move, the Grosse Pointe Woods city council unanimously killed a controversial rezoning plan that would have converted 42 residential lots north of Mack into off-street

parking.

The proposal had met with vigorous resistance from homeowners protesting the rezoning.

The council is looking to alleviate parking congestion for Mack businesses. The rezoning would have allowed businesses to expand off-street parking and would have added to the city's tax base.

◆ **MATH SCORES IMPROVE IN SCHOOLS:** Grosse Pointe school district fourth graders showed dramatic improvement in math skills based on results from the Metropolitan Achievement Test taken by students earlier this year.

The fourth graders recorded their highest test score in the history of the test and ranked in the top 3 percent of school systems nationwide.

The achievement test measures student skills in reading, math and vocabulary.

◆ **TWO APPOINTED TO SCHOOLS AUDIT COMMITTEE:** Grosse Pointe residents George Cartmill and James Mooney were named by the Grosse Pointe school system to a newly-formed advisory audit committee.

The two will help the district review the system's financial statements, accounting and financial reporting practices and review internal accounting records. School district officials make up the rest of the committee.

## 1997

10 years ago this week

◆ **SOC STILL LOOKING FOR NEW DIGS:** Meetings held between Services for Older Citizens and representatives of the six municipalities it serves, as well as Grosse Pointe school officials and Realtors, have failed to turn up a suitable site for the social services agency to call home.

SOC's lease at Barnes Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Woods expires June 30, 1998. At issue is the school system's need for the space currently occupied by SOC and the agency's need for a permanent home.

◆ **WOODS TRAFFIC**

**STUDY FAILS TO IMPRESS:** Grosse Pointe Woods residents were not impressed by two recent traffic studies that only called for stepped up enforcement and no additional routing or street signs on roads they believe are unsafe.

Residents want some traffic on Brys and Cook to be shifted to other streets to cut down on congestion and make it safer for school children.

## 2002

5 years ago this week

◆ **CITY CONSIDERS BIG VILLAGE CHANGES:** Several zoning ordinance changes for the Village shopping area are being considered by the City of Grosse Pointe council to help promote and encourage new businesses to locate there.

Among the changes are building height limits and the allowance of residential leasing of space in Village buildings.

◆ **PLANS PREVIEWED FOR NEW NEFF PARK HARBOR:** Boaters were asked for their input regarding the proposed redesign of Neff Park harbor.

Boaters in a recent survey said they wanted bigger slips for their boats. The redesign would also include new wall restructuring, two lakeside entrances, a new kayak launch and additional kayak racks.

◆ **BROWNELL STUDENTS RALLY FOR NATURE:** Students from Brownell Middle School are rallying to save some Harrison Township land that has been left pristine for some 400 years.

The students have petitioned the state's department of natural resources to save the 18-acre tract, which contains a 400-year-old burr oak tree.

The land has been offered for sale to Harrison Township for \$1 million, but only a portion of that money has been raised. The property has been owned by a nation-wide development company for the last 33 years.

Township officials have applied for grant money to map up the difference in the purchase price.

— John Lundberg

## Complete form, enter drawing

Please, fill out the readership survey you think of the Grosse Pointe News.

Mail or deliver the survey form to 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. The deadline is Friday, Nov. 30.

One survey will be drawn and the person who entered will be awarded tickets to see a Red Wings game.

## Author to speak Nov. 7

Award-winning children's author Jack Gantos will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, at the Pierce Middle School auditorium, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park.

The presentation is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Gantos has penned the Jack Henry and Joey Pigza book series. He has received critical acclaim for his portrayal of fic-

tional Joey Pigza, a boy with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder.

Gantos has won a number of awards, including the Newbery, the Printz and the Sibert honors. He has been a finalist for the National Book Award.

Admission is free, but tickets are required and are available at any of the three branch libraries.

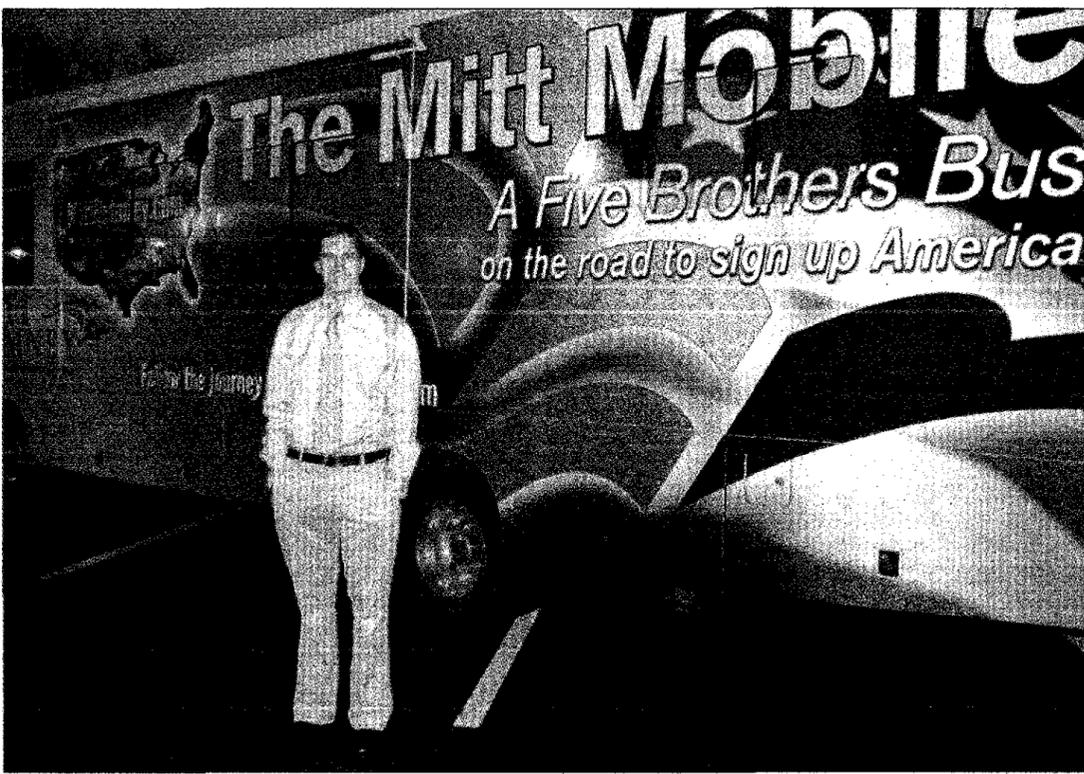


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## The Mitt bus

Josh Romney, the middle son of presidential hopeful Mitt Romney, spoke at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Tuesday, Oct. 16. "This is a great opportunity to get to speak to people about my Dad, about the man he is, about him as a family man and about him as a candidate," Josh Romney told the crowd. "My four brothers campaign for him as well and it is wonderful to work together as a family and to spend time together with my brothers." Earlier that day Josh spoke at Oakland University and the following day he was at Michigan State University. Each of the candidate's five sons travels by bus to speak on their father's behalf. In addition to his campaign speeches, he shares the driving responsibilities.

## RESPONSE: Residents wonder

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It took the energy company seven hours to repair a downed circuit last Saturday in the City of Grosse Pointe that knocked out power to 580 customers and cost local businesses "more than one-half of our (revenue) when we lost power," said Chuck Donaldson and Claudia Carroll, owners of the delicatessen on Mack.

The power was lost at 12:40 p.m. when a tree blew out a circuit near a condominium complex in the 17000 block of Mack, said DTE spokesman John Ausperberry. Power was not restored until almost 8 p.m.

Businesses between the Village and Mack had to make due with cash purchases because they could not use their credit card machines. When darkness arrived, they had no other recourse but to close, in some cases during their busiest hours.

"That's the busiest time of our day, even week, on Saturday night," Carroll said. "We lose lottery, our freezer and delis shut down."

"I was just telling Chuck how lucky we have been (regarding

outages). Then we get this."

Ausperberry said the slow response time was attributed to its repair crews being stretched too thin by "numerous power outages" reported at the same time. He still maintained that more than seven hours "isn't an extreme length of time."

But this is only the latest incident of a downed power line that took the energy company several hours to respond.

Last July, the family of Greg Mlotkowski lost its 2-year-old yellow lab, Bella, when she came in contact with a downed wire in the utility easement between the 700 blocks of Rivard and Washington in the City of Grosse Pointe.

In that case, it took DTE 3 1/2 hours to turn off the power. In the meantime, the dog's body continued to burn.

"In my opinion, our dog is a hero," Greg said. "There were children playing in the area that could have easily been electrocuted."

"It is my opinion that DTE has done a very poor job maintaining its infrastructure."

Until DTE crews arrived, public safety officers cordoned off the power line, which remained active.

DTE spokesman Len Singer attributed the less than prompt response time in that incident to the same reason Ausperberry did: Repair crews

responding to too many power losses.

"Obviously this was a very tragic situation and our hearts go out to the owners," Singer said. "It's not always feasible to get a crew right away when we are responding to other power outages."

But this is not a new story to local city governments, merchants and residents when it comes to dealing with the energy company.

Last February, the Grosse Pointe Farms city council severely criticized DTE officials for poor communication and the dormant status of maintenance upgrades long promised in the city.

The company had taken days, and sometimes weeks, to repair malfunctioning street lights.

Also, the 800 phone number for the company has left residents and merchants shaking their heads over the lack of assistance they receive when using it.

"I have been very frustrated (with the phone system)," local real estate developer Ed Russell said at the meeting. "I've had girls in my office in tears waiting on hold for an hour or 1-1/2 hours waiting for a response."

"Changes need to be implemented. For a developer, this is terrible."

DTE officials in that case at-

tributed problems to retirements within the company and budgetary constraints.

"I apologize for this happening," said Mark Slater, supervising engineer for community lighting. "We have worked hard behind the scenes (to correct the problems). We are identifying the (street light) circuits that need to be replaced."

But those problems have not gone away during the last eight months.

Farms Mayor James Farquhar Jr. said recently one of his chief frustrations during his last term in office was the negotiation process with the company.

"We have (power equipment) that dates back to the 20s," he said. "They've known all along that they're going to have to upgrade their equipment."

"We're still waiting." Both DTE spokesmen said the company has a claim's department for residents and merchants to recoup losses attributed to the loss of power.

"We are working with residents to make accommodations," Singer said.

But that is little consolation to Mlotkowski.

"We had to sit there and watch our dog burn," he said. "There should be a system in place to warn residents of downed wires in case this happens again."

## LIBRARY: Board may forego a floor

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This can be accomplished a variety of ways, he said. The library could downsize its collection and reading space, use movable computer stations and consolidate meeting rooms.

The idea of making meeting spaces multi-functional struck a positive chord with some trustees and members of the public.

"I don't think anyone would mind having the children's story room look like a story room but still be able to use it for meetings," Grosse Pointe Park resident Sue Steiger said. "I like the idea of having space not dedicated for a single purpose."

While the addition's design has changed, designLAB and the board are still committed to a courtyard linking the old and new buildings. It also would be the centerpiece of the first floor, Miklos said.

"The courtyard would be a captured Michigan landscape which would bring light and air into the new library," he said.

Parking and traffic flow are two hurdles the board needs to overcome.

Trustee Laura Bartell voiced concern that designLAB's exterior plans for Central's driveway and parking garage are not within property boundaries.

"Your design encroaches onto the school's property," Bartell said.

"You can not design a garage without encroaching onto the school. It also needs a shared driveway. You must talk to the school."

A few board members and Grosse Pointe Farms officials have had several informal meetings to discuss the city's ordinance requiring more parking if Central's square footage increases, library trustee Ed Frederickson said.

The library will share the results of a Wayne State University parking study with Farms officials at a later date. Frederickson said the board will be seeking a variance reducing the number of parking spaces required by the Farms.

Before the architects can go further in their designs, the board needs to firm up its financial parameters, said Dave Bergeron, trustee and board treasurer.

"We have to figure out collectively (the project's budget)," Bergeron said. "We need to have a discussion in short order about the numbers."

Miklos promised to have a concept design to the board by Thanksgiving.

## Free programs at Belle Isle zoo

A series of monthly educational children's events at the Belle Isle Nature Zoo are planned for one Saturday a month through May.

Each program runs from 1 to 3 p.m. and features a local guest speaker, creative crafts, books related to the monthly theme as well as a snack.

Upcoming events are:  
"Early Settlers-Harvest

Bounty" — Nov. 10  
"The Deer of Belle Isle" — Dec. 8

"Wild Woodland" — Jan. 12  
"Birds and Migration" — Feb. 9

"Wet Lands" — March 8  
"Earth Day" — April 12  
"Weather Changes" — May 10

The events are sponsored by the Junior League of Detroit.

## INFECTION: Athletes back on field

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◆ All touchable surfaces in the physical education locker rooms.

◆ Every door in the athletic area.

◆ Both athletic field turfs. In addition at North, students cleared their equipment out of their lockers.

When the infection was present, health officials directed students to use antibiotics; keep wounds clean and bandaged until healed; keep hands and skin clean; and

avoid sharing personal items, like towels, wash cloths, bar soap and razors, even among family members.

Literature sent to parents also suggested washing clothes, towels and sheets with laundry detergent at the hottest suitable temperature. Dry at the hottest suitable temperature and do not "line dry."

"Other school districts have contacted us either because they have a case of staph infection or because they want to know how to handle the situation if one arises," Sloan said.

"We really got a handle on this health issue and made sure everything was cleaned and disinfected. It took several hours to get the job done."



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POINT OF INTEREST

**Diane Karabetsos** is the ultimate soccer mom. She spent years on the sidelines watching her five children play. Today, her cheering is in the form of a coach for special needs soccer players.

# Soccer field is her second home

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer



Diane Karabetsos, at far left, teaches special needs children the fine art of soccer. In right photo, she encourages a young soccer player how to send the ball down the field.

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Referring to Diane Karabetsos as a soccer mom has nothing to do with her political affiliation or car pooling obligations. She literally was a soccer mom to five young men, all of whom played travel, high school varsity and college soccer. Her sons are all grown, but Karabetsos is still spending time at the soccer field, not as a mom this time, but as coach of the Grosse Pointe Dragonflies. The team is made up of boys and girls with disabilities; special athletes who would not be able to compete in the same highly competitive soccer leagues as their classmates and neighbors. Sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association, the Dragonflies are part of TOPSoccer, an outreach program for players with special needs run by U.S. Youth Soccer, a division of The United States Soccer Federation. Long active as a parent volunteer with the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association, Karabetsos was attending a soccer association meeting in Plymouth in 1998 when she first heard about TOPSoccer. "I was moved to tears listening to a young man telling about his experience playing

soccer," she recalled. "I knew then I wanted to bring this to Grosse Pointe. As it turns out, we were only the second city in the state to offer it." Karabetsos came back with her idea of starting a TOPSoccer team in Grosse Pointe, but found coaches a bit reluctant to take it on. Not to be deterred, she grabbed a whistle and a soccer ball, and took on the job herself — with a little help from a group she calls, "my little angels."

"I recognized right away that I was going to need some help, so I asked my son and he brought a few friends," she said. "Even after he graduated and went away to college, I still had students contacting me who wanted to help. Many come from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at (Grosse Pointe) North, and I couldn't do it without them." At least a dozen volunteers help out with the Dragonflies, who number anywhere from 12 to 22 players, depending on the season, and range in age from 5 to 13. "It's a real mix of ages and abilities," she said. "We have to adapt to some of their needs, like being aware of whistle blowing and yelling around our autistic players. "The first week is a little chaotic, getting to know the players and their abilities. But we quickly get into a routine, which includes warm-ups, drills and shots on goal and then we either play a game or scrimmage. The kids learn the routine, and what to expect next, and they learn how much fun it is to be a part of a team." And fun it is, for players and volunteers.

Karabetsos knows something about shots on goal, but she also knows other sports, having spent considerable time watching her sons participate in tennis matches and swim meets. Skiing is also a very popular family activity, even though her sons are now scattered throughout North America.

Karabetsos said. "Every Christmas, instead of presents, we would go on ski trips. The first Christmas without him was very hard, but we continued the traditional ski trip. It was something very important to all of us."

It wasn't hard to coordinate the Karabetsos boys' winter vacation schedule in the early days. Other than the oldest, Frank, who attended University Biggett School, all the others went to Monteith, Parcels and Grosse Pointe North. And all five attended the University of Michigan.

"I spent 18 years in Ann Arbor without ever leaving Grosse Pointe," Karabetsos said with a laugh.

When not on the soccer field, Karabetsos is a real estate broker. She received her license in 1972 and planned on working whenever a friend wanted to buy or sell a house. But it eventually evolved into a full time job.

When she first graduated from college, Karabetsos was a teacher, and has also worked for the Department of Education at Wayne State University, supervising student teachers. She has also worked as a stock broker.

But now that the 2007 soccer season is well under way, Karabetsos can be found where she has spent so much of her life, back on the soccer field, coaching her beloved Dragonflies.

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# LocalMotion lecture promotes green living

By Carrie Cunningham  
Special Writer

Environmental toxins have had a detrimental affect on the personal and professional life of Annie Berthold Bond, a renowned environmental leader.

After being exposed to a gas leak while employed at a restaurant and encountering toxins from extermination chemicals in an apartment building, she was diagnosed with multiple chemical sensitivity.

Since then, she has been on an odyssey to both manage her illness through a green lifestyle and promoting a healthy environment.

Bond is executive producer of environmental group Care2.com's Green Living Channels.

She edits a newsletter and has been named a top 10 environmental leader by Body and Soul magazine.

She recently gave her lecture, "10 Simple Ways to Have a Healthy, Green Home," at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The event was sponsored by LocalMotion, a Grosse Pointe-based environmental group whose motto is better health through fewer toxins.

At the outset of the lecture,

Bond asked the participants to choose whether to use toxic or nontoxic products and harm themselves and the planet or live simply, be healthy and protect the world.

She chose environmental protection.

Bond said her 10 tips for green living are practical and easily accessible despite myths that an environmentally sound life is cumbersome.

They include using:

- ◆ baking soda to clean counters and other ceramic surfaces

- ◆ washing soda for tougher stains

- ◆ a good detergent such as Dr. Bronner's oil anywhere in the house

- ◆ citrus peel extracts for cleaning pet areas

- ◆ bamboo fabrics and organic wool for bedding, such as pillows and sheets

- ◆ bees wax candles and herbal air fresheners to clean the air

- ◆ furniture polish that doesn't have a caution warning

- ◆ vinegar to clean windows

- ◆ Aloe Vera gel and vegetable glycerin for skin moisturizing

- ◆ Lemon extract for soap

Bond said many people think nontoxic cleaners don't work or are too expensive.

When some green products



Missy Danaher of Grosse Pointe Farms, left, volunteered to help environmentalist Annie Berthold Bond mix up a natural, nontoxic and environmental friendly household cleaner that helps kill bacteria, mold and fungus.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

are first used they sometime leaves streaks, she said.

This is because wax residue is left behind from commercial products and it may take a

few uses of the green product to remove that film.

Green products are actually less costly than commercial cleaners, Bond said, adding

information about them is easily accessible on the Web.

Green cleaning companies are flourishing nationwide and green ways of living are growing. Many of the companies that are ascendant use the same products that Bond advocates.

LocalMotion founder Betsy

Dance has created a green cleaning company in Virginia called Eco Clean.

Some promising Michigan green cleaning companies include General Organic Services, Clean & Green Natural Home Cleaning and Kimba's Cleaning Services.

Bond suggested researching green cleaning companies for both the products they use and offer, as well as their philosophy about green living. Any product containing a caution signal should be avoided, she said.

As Bond learned from her multiple chemical sensitivity illness, the consequences of using toxic products can be significant. Other illnesses caused by toxins include asthma, cancer and liver and kidney damage.

As a lifelong writer and proponent for green living, Bond is a testament to how illnesses can be managed and prevented from employing environmentally safe ways.

By thinking in new ways, people and the world can be saved, Bond said.

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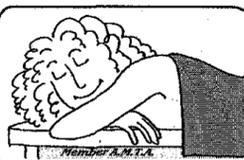
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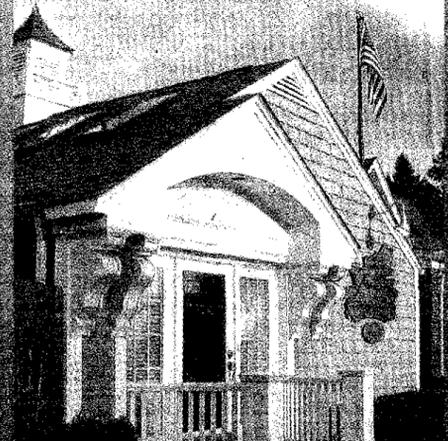
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# Fuzzy, furry friends live in a virtual playground

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

"Adopt a pet, discover a virtual world," is the slogan used to sell to the latest toy — Webkinz.

While at first glance, Webkinz might seem like a more expensive version of Beanie Babies, the hot toy in the 90s.

But Webkinz goes beyond being just a collectible, said Ellen Durand, co-owner of the Village Toy Company located on Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"It (Webkinz) offers more than a stuff animal. It has an online virtual world, which makes it very interactive," she said. "It's a different generation's Beanie Baby."

Webkinz are manufactured by GANZ, a small Toronto-based giftware company that is a major supplier to the Hallmark stores.

Durand has been one of its customers for more than 15 years.

Durand admits she was skeptical when her GANZ sales representative initially told her about Webkinz which cost \$15 each.

"You can get stung like Beanie Babies," she said. "I wasn't sure whether they would sell well in the community and in this economy."

However, it didn't take long for her to change her mind.

"I was hooked when I registered my own."

Durand was impressed with the Webkinz Web site.

"It's so well done, I've never seen anything like it," she said.

Durand likes that Webkinz animals appeal to both boys and girls, unlike most toys on the market.

"The joy in the toy industry is having something that is unisex," Durand said.

She started out with a conservative order in case the toy flopped.

"I don't like to put all my eggs in one basket," Durand said.

Her customers liked the fuzzy animals and their virtual world as much as Durand did, and the craze took off.

At first, GANZ had trouble meeting the demand.

"When it hit, manufacturing was going very slowly," she said. "GANZ had to open more factories in China."

Now they have a loyal following.

Each Webkinz wears a tag which contains a unique "secret" code providing access to the Webkinz Web site.

"Without the code, a Webkinz is just a stuffed animal," Durand said. "It's nothing without the code."

That is why Webkinz are kept behind the counter at her store, Durand said.

Once online, the owners adopt their pet by giving it a



Nick Vallan, 8, and his siblings, Madison, 9, Andrew, 5 and Jake, 3, enjoy playing with their collection of some 50 Webkinz throughout their Grosse Pointe Woods home.

name and selecting its gender. They also learn the story about their individual Webkinz.

Owners are also given a room for their pet and \$2,000 in KinzCash, which they can purchase furniture, clothes and food for their pet from the W Shop.

Additional cash is earned by participating in the arcade games, quiz corner, daily activities and weekly contests offered on the Web site.

"The joy is getting the extra stuff," Durand said.

Her son, Robert Durand, 11, agrees.

"I like getting Kinz cash and making a virtual house," he said.

Robert decorates his Webkinz's rooms in different themes. One pet lives in a room filled with baseball paraphernalia, while another lives in a castle.

He estimates he spends about 20 to 30 minutes every day online in the virtual Webkinz World.

"I usually go on after school and after doing my homework," Robert said.

The Web site is fun, yet it promotes reading and computer skills, Durand said.

While the games are geared toward children in kindergarten through fifth grade, many parents enjoy playing along, she said.

"It is super kid-friendly and appeals to adults," Durand said.

The Web site is also interactive between users.

"Over the Internet, you can ask a friend's Webkinz to come over to one of your Webkinz's rooms. Or you can play a game against them or chat online," Durand said.

The chat room is very secure. Children can only converse in preset sentences, she said.

"The Web site is very protected, very good," Durand said. "I feel comfortable letting my own children use it."

Webkinz also teaches the importance of caring for another being.

"You have to take care of your Webkinz," Durand said.

A meter monitors the adopted pet's happiness, hunger and health. Feeding, exercising and playing with the Webkinz is key to keeping the meters high.

The company releases four to five new Webkinz quarterly. GANZ has released 54

Webkinz since it started selling them in early 2006. It has retired nine pieces.

The newest Webkinz seems to be the one most in demand, Durand said.

Her store's top-sellers are the chocolate and yellow Labrador retrievers, black stallion, gray cat, Arabian horse, German shepherd, pinto horse, turtle, seal and penguin.

"Any dog sells well in our store. It reflects the fact that most Grosse Pointe families have a dog," Durand said.

"That is true of our regular

*'It is so well done. I've never seen anything like it.'*

ELLEN DURAND,  
Co-owner,  
The Village Toy Company

plush animals. Dogs are the number one seller in our store. In other stores, bears are the biggest sellers."

Webkinz horses are a close second at Village Toy Company.

Madison Vallan, 9, of Grosse Pointe Woods, is passionate about horseback riding. She currently has four Webkinz horses which, she has named

Lacey, Bailey, Lisa and Black Beauty.

While Madison thinks the arcade games are a blast, her mother, Shelly Vallan, said Madison and her three younger siblings also play with their collection of some 50 Webkinz in the real world.

"They set them up in the living room and actually play house or jumping horses with them," Shelly Vallan said.

GANZ has started a Pet-of-the-Month program to move slower selling Webkinz, Durand said. Buyers receive extra items on the Web site.

"It's marketing genius," Durand said. "They found a way to make a particular animal special."

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## EDITORIAL

# DTE response less than stellar

**P**ointe residents and business owners affected by recent power outages have every reason to be angry. Response time has been less than swift.

While public services provided by our communities deserve high ratings and more credit than they ever receive, public utilities have dropped the ball in the Pointes and throughout Metro Detroit.

Maintenance on aging systems lags behind — from the Detroit Water & Sewerage Department to DTE, the utility currently facing major heat from local residents and officials.

It doesn't necessarily matter if you live in an older, established community or in the middle of high growth areas, the utility companies struggle to keep up with the demand on their systems.

An outage Oct. 20 in the City of Grosse Pointe affected 580 residential and business customers. According to DTE officials, crews were called out to the 17000 block of Mack after a 12:40 p.m. outage.

Businesses struggled during a busy time in their week to stay open.

Residents dealt with the outage for more than seven hours.

DTE officials said their crews responded to numerous outages during that time, and seven hours "isn't an extreme length of time."

Unless it's your home or business.

True, when the weather is nice — as it was last Saturday — seven hours is tolerable. In the winter, when lines are more likely to experience stress from swaying tree limbs, heavy snow and ice, seven hours is unacceptable.

We don't expect immediate response and we understand it isn't an easy job. DTE employees are on call 24/7 with Mother Nature dealing an occasional emergency situation. Slower response times are expected after a widespread natural disaster. A windy day shouldn't cause so many problems.

The issue of maintenance, from clearing lines to replacing some antiquated equipment, can save many of the headaches we face every time the wind kicks up past 30 mph.

When the gales blow through our neighborhoods, the excuses for slow response times are predictable: Crews are spread thin by the number of outages and a lack of adequate staff due to budget constraints. Every business, school, charity and public utility face higher expectations with fewer resources.

Power outages are mostly an inconvenience. Businesses barely function and they lose money. Homeowners miss just about everything, from garage door openers to college football games.

But in the case of downed power lines, our first line of defense comes from our public safety officers. We rely on their quick response to keep residents safely away from the dangerous situation. And then they wait for the crews to come cut power and fix the line.

We always have hope that problems will be addressed and future issues can be avoided with maintenance and upkeep. Community leaders, businesses and residents are tired of the excuses and would like some answers.

Seven hours isn't "an extreme length of time" on a warm fall day in October. Wait until the winds blow in January.

Will DTE be ready?  
We can only hope.

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# 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.

## Proud of great tournament play

To the Editor:

I want to thank the members of the Grosse Pointe North boys varsity soccer team for an amazing performance in last night's district final against DeLaSalle High School.

If you were there, you know it's an understatement when I say it was a thrilling, stomach churning, hand clenching, breathtaking, emotional game.

It was everything a championship game should be: Two determined, highly skilled soccer teams, a referee who didn't allow the game to get out of control, spirited, sportsmanlike fans and perfect weather.

Grosse Pointe North came out fired up and took control of the game early, just missing on several attempts to score. DeLaSalle had to step up their game and realized right away that this game was not going to be easy.

When DeLaSalle finally scored in the first half, Grosse Pointe North fought back. At halftime the Norsemen were down 1-0, but they persevered. It was late in the game, with about minutes remaining when Grosse Pointe North scored!

With a tie game and minutes left to play, the boys held it together until the regular game clock ran out.

Fueled by adrenalin and pure determination, our boys played two 15-minute sudden death overtimes defending our net and striking at DeLaSalle's goal as often as possible.

It was excruciating to watch, yet the boys maintained their composure and continued to move the ball forward or, if need be, defend their net. When both 15-minute overtimes ended without a goal, we moved to a five man shoot out. One by one both teams fired at the net. Each shot brought about cheers or gut wrenching awes.

There wasn't a second of tension relief and each shot-on-goal was intense.

With the shootout tied at 3-3; and after almost three hours of play, the victory would come down to a one to one sudden death shoot out. DeLaSalle shot and scored first. Our shot-on-goal was accurate, but their goalie guessed right and deflected

the ball.

In a flash of a second, it was over.

It was a cruel, agonizing way to lose, yet as our players huddled around each other and consoled the last kicker, I saw team unity, support, maturity, sportsmanship and friendship.

I witnessed what sports is supposed to instill in our young people, and it was reflected right there from our boys on that field.

In a moment of defeat, it was the care and concern the team showed each other that was the focus. It was a proud Norseman moment, and that is the picture I will always remember, not the lights on the scoreboard revealing the score.

It was in the middle of all the excitement during the first overtime, I heard one fan say, "Well, I'm certainly getting my money's worth." How true. I would have paid Olympic prices to watch our boys play last night.

They were awesome, better than any professional team I've ever seen, and they played for the love of playing, with school spirit and team camaraderie.

They played not only with bruised legs, wounded ankles and throbbing heads; they played with heart, their whole heart.

The team left everything they had on Hurley Field in Berkley except their dignity.

I am proud to say as a parent of a senior player, that although it was a very heart-breaking loss, it was a very unforgettable experience.

Stand proud, Grosse Pointe North players, you fought hard, you showed you were worthy, you humbled your opponents, and you played a game that will be talked about and remembered for a long, long time.

Congratulations on your great tournament play and thanks again for the memories.

LORI VANDEVORDE  
Grosse Pointe Woods

## Student fundraiser

To the Editor:

I felt compelled to write this letter after attending the annual banquet and fundraiser for the Student Statesmanship Institute held Oct. 18.

The Student Statesmanship Institute was started many years ago by Mr. James

Muffett. It provides teens with a week of instruction in traditional values. This instruction is accompanied with "hands on" participation in simulated workings of government, media and business.

It takes a lot of people to run the student program. The evening's program embraced testimonies and endorsements from chaperones, parents, students, politicians, judges and business owners.

David Brandon, chairman and CEO of Domino's Pizza, was the keynote speaker. He talked about his faith, how doors opened for him, how great parents trump everything else, and how God provides us with a wake-up call. Wow, it was inspiring.

This awesome evening included testimonies from teens whose lives have been impacted forever, though they initially resisted attending the student summer program.

As we sat at our table, the young people conversed about the number of years they have attended the institute and the specific programs — business, judiciary, moot court, media, and senate — they participated in.

Each program gives students the opportunity to learn, experience and role play in that area, using real life situations.

For example, in the moot court program, teens argue case law before three Appellate judges who interject with their own questions. Each program offers many unique experiences for the students and lots of hard work.

At the end of the evening, I was blessed and honored to hear Mr. Muffett speak from his heart.

He has an unmistakable and contagious energy about him. He shared the important message that what we do now with our children does make a difference.

Over the years Mr. Muffett has seen the spark of passion and desire ignited in the hearts of young people. His passion is teaching the biblical world view to our youth, thus transferring truth to the next generation.

That evening we saw the fruit of that. Student Statesmanship Institute alumni are now employed in media, government, business, finance, the political arena, MSNBC and the Department of Defense.

God has a purpose and destiny for everyone and Mr. Muffett is compassionate, authentic and genuine about sharing those truths with our children.

I hope this letter encourages readers to consider this outstanding program for their teenagers for the summer of 2008.

For more information, visit [ssi-online.org](http://ssi-online.org).  
ALISON LORKOWSKI  
Grosse Pointe Farms

## In support of I Say

To the Editor:

I write in support of Beth Quinn's I Say column, "Setting the record straight — on Ellen," printed in the Oct. 4 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

My wife and I have been out of town for several days and only came upon the article yesterday, upon the advice of a friend who left a phone message for us in our absence.

Like Ms. Quinn, my wife and I have felt for many years that Ms. Bowen should have been dismissed for her improper and unsatisfactory behavior.

Beth Quinn's fine column spelled out in almost painful detail even more reasons for such action on the part of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education and Dr. Suzanne Klein, superintendent.

Your citing of the long file of citations from supervisors and letters from parents is a sad saga of failure on the part of administrators and especially the board members and the superintendents to act responsibly.

The inaction of this present board and superintendent and that of their predecessors puzzles me. I salute Beth Quinn for bringing this matter to the tax-paying public in such a forceful way.

Some years ago, I sent a letter to the Grosse Pointe News that was published, to no avail, except congratulations from many readers.

I am including a copy of a letter I recently wrote to all members of the current board and the superintendent. I have had a response from one member who had obviously read my letter and one who obviously had not and nothing, of course, from the superintendent.

Congratulations to Beth Quinn for your forthrightness.

ROBERT DUPUIS  
City of Grosse Pointe

## Thanks to those who got involved

To the Editor:

On Oct. 2, while in the Grosse Pointe Farms post office, a very kind woman came to inquire if someone owned a certain vehicle and to inform the owner that he or she had just been sideswiped.

The vehicle was mine. When I went outside to check, another post office customer, in this case a gentleman, checked out the incident as well. I had indeed been sideswiped.

When we confronted the person involved, they denied having sideswiped anyone.

The gentleman was kind enough to wait with me until police arrived. He said he was a reserve police officer with Grosse Pointe Farms.

Unfortunately I did not get the name of either the woman or the man that was so kind to

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I SAY By Bob St. John

# Showing mercy to our family dog was not easy



I recently faced making one of the most difficult decisions of my life. Our family dog, Princess, an 11-year-old Siberian Husky, had a tumor on her belly that slowly grew. It grew too big and it made her lethargic.

On Wednesday, Oct. 10, my wife and I made the decision to have Princess euthanized. This was, by far, the toughest decision I have had to make as a husband and a father.

My wife noticed the tumor a couple of years ago.

We took her to the vet, who said it was a fatty tumor and

posed no threat to her.

Princess was our girl. She was more than a family pet; she was a second child.

She was very protective of our daughter. Princess, our plump pooch with one blue eye and one brown eye, added something positive to our lives.

From the mouth of my daughter, Emma, Princess was: "A good and loving dog. I loved to play with her out in the backyard when I go outside. I miss her."

We took care of Princess since she was 4 years old. We got her from a couple that was moving to a subdivision that did not allow fences.

We had recently moved into our home and of course I made an executive decision because I have a fondness for dogs.

I can always remember hav-

ing a dog. As a boy, our family dog was a Brittany Spaniel named Freckles, who was hit by a car and put to sleep when I was 8.

I remember my dad came breaking the news to me that he had to have Freckles put to sleep. I was playing ball in our backyard.

My dad came back without the usual smile on his face. He told me the news.

I was crushed. What would a boy do without his dog?

Next came our Snoodle, Casey. The half-schnauzer, half-poodle breed lived with us when my family lived in Detroit and when we moved in 1979 to my parent's current home in St. Clair Shores.

Casey lived to be 15, but he too, had tumors that slowly turned our cool dog into a shell of himself.

Move ahead to 1996. Our

wedding was in July and a couple of months later we became cat owners. I am allergic to cats, yet somehow we were the owners of a gray cat my wife and I named Martin.

Soon after, we purchased a black and white cat we named Felix.

We moved from an apartment to our current home. As a homeowner you have to have a dog.

This is when Princess arrived.

For six years, Princess has been a joy. Our fluffy dog has been our protector, our guardian, our backyard warrior.

Her loss was taken pretty hard, especially by our daughter.

Each and every day we'd pull into our driveway and there was Princess, wagging her tail, welcoming us home.

She is no longer waiting at our fence. I have an empty feeling in my stomach I know will fade away.

It was tough to come home and tell my daughter Princess wouldn't be around anymore.

Telling an 8-year-old the family pet was put to sleep was unbearable, but it was a job we, as parents, had to do.

We couldn't pretend Princess wasn't there; our daughter would see through that. Thankfully she was at school when my wife and I did the unspeakable.

Pets really add a little slice to our busy lives. They're larger than life to our children. Princess' absence is felt.

I miss looking out the window, watching her chase away the birds trying to eat the last couple of morsels of dog food left in her bowl.

While working in the back-

yard this past weekend, I noticed the silence.

It was too quiet. I didn't have her next to me wagging her tail, making sure I pet her at least several times per minute. That feeling isn't a good one.

I think our three cats (I forgot to mention we purchased a third cat named Red, but I will save that for another day) noticed the dog's absence.

At our daughter's request, we plan to have a small memorial for her. My wife and I asked her to decorate a small box that we will put her collar and tag in, as well as a bone she never quite finished before moving on to doggy heaven.

Eventually, we will get another dog, but the timing just isn't right. When it's right, we will make a family decision.

Princess, we miss you and hope you're having fun chasing the squirrels and birds.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## What are you dressing up as for Halloween?

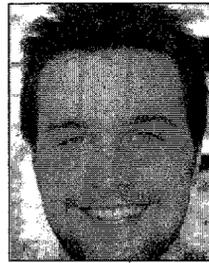
If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or email to editor@grossepointenews.com



'A Michigan State football player.'  
JOSEPH PELLERITO  
Grosse Pointe Park



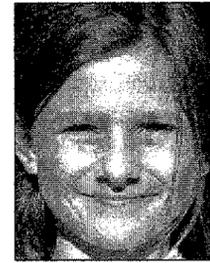
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LILY PELLERITO  
Grosse Pointe Park



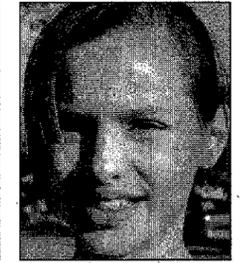
'The ghost of Dale Earnhardt.'  
RYAN WAGNER  
East Lansing



'Princess Peach from Super Mario.'  
ERIN NEVEUX  
East Lansing



'I am dressing up as an iPod.'  
CALYX TURCO  
City of Grosse Pointe



'A spa girl with a robe, face cream and my hair wrapped in a towel.'  
EMMA TURCO  
City of Grosse Pointe

FYI By Ben Burns

# Woods wedding hits HR with baseball theme



Bill Leto was impressed with the beauty of Ghesquiere Park when his son played baseball there. So when he and his bride-to-be, Kristen Montgomery, decided on an outdoor wedding, they thought it would be a perfect spot.

"What a great place to come and play ball and a perfect place for an outdoor wedding," Leto said.

Woods officials were friendly and cooperative. The field was manicured and pristine. Little League officers, such as Marty Peters, also helped and the weather was pleasant-cool with partial sun and scattered high clouds.

Leto and his sons built a podium made of baseball bats and helmets and Montgomery, 30, and Leto, 37, were wed on the ball fields Friday, Oct. 12.

Two clergymen presided—Joe Gerald Johnson, associate pastor of Great Faith Ministries and Alfredeon Hamilton of the Kingdom Living Ministry.

It was a family affair with Leto's four sons and daughter and Montgomery's son, Anthony, taking part in exchanging rings during the ceremony. Bill, 13, Anthony, 12, Jacob, 9, Anthony, 9, and Eden, 8, all played a part.

Eighty chairs were set up for the wedding, but 120 guests attended so it was standing room only just like it would have been in a Little League tournament game.

Where did they go on their honeymoon?

They didn't. "We're parents. We didn't go anywhere," Leto said.

Leto donated the baseball podium to the Little League.

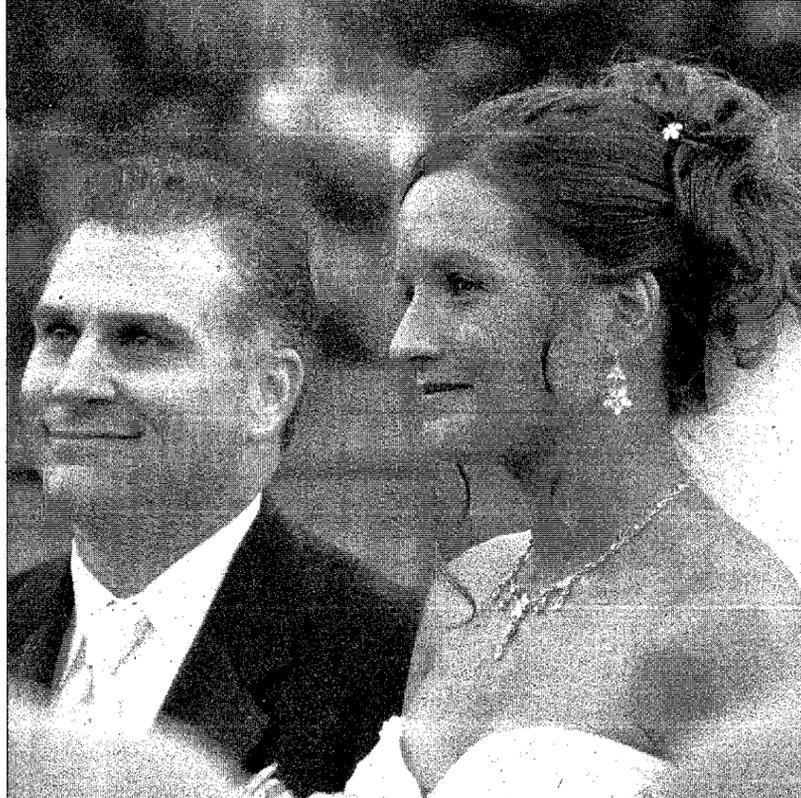


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Bill and Kristen Leto

### Bad people

"I discover I like writing about bad people doing bad things even better than I like writing about regular people doing regular things," author Margaret Carroll said a year ago.

So she is in the final stages of selling her third novel, a psychological thriller, with the working title of "A Dark Love."

"I'm really excited," she said.

Meanwhile her second novel, "The True Match," a chick lit romantic comedy published by Avalon Books is set to hit local book stores in February. It follows "The Write Match,"

which came out in June '06 to decent reviews and is stocked at Grosse Pointe Public Library branches and at the local Borders until the supply sold out.

Carroll's personal story would make a book in itself as she lost her 44-year-old husband, Rand, five years ago when an unlicensed, uninsured youth drove out of a crossroad in New Mexico without looking and killed him. Rand was a federal prosecutor in Michigan.

She turned to writing novels to help her get through the sleepless nights after her husband's death.

Carroll will talk about her life, her loss, her recovery and her daughter Kathleen, who is now in school, to the Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe at its regular monthly dinner meeting Thursday Nov. 8 at the Lochmoor Club.

"The Women's Connection's goal is to 'enrich and empower women in their business

and personal lives," according to Marcia Pkielek, club president.

The networking club, which has about 70 members, will meet in conjunction with the opening of the Christmas crafts fair at Lochmoor.

Tickets for members are \$27 and for non-members, \$29.

The title of Carroll's talk is "Sleepless on Sunningdale."

For more information on the Women's Connection or to make a reservation, contact Pkielek at (313) 884-4201.

### Chair

Dr. John Vander Weg, of the Pointes, has been named professor and chair of the department of music at Wayne State University.

He earned three degrees from the U of M School of

Music and his specialization is early 20th century music of the Viennese school, according to Dean Sharon Vasquez of the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts.

Vander Weg has been associate dean for academic affairs for the College for the past six years and has served as interim chair of the music department for two years.

### Commander

Gregg Allcut, a '74 graduate of North, who holds the rank of commander, United States

Naval Air Corps Reserve, has recently been assigned as executive officer on the battle watch in the Fleet Command Center of the U.S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Allcut is the son of Leland Allcut of the Woods and Jeanne Butterfield of Sacramento, Calif.

A computer specialist, he served in the Navy for 10 years and has been in the reserves for the 13 years with a home base in Sacramento. He is married with two children.



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## Woman's Club officers

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club 2007-08 officers, from left, are corresponding secretary Doris Strek, second vice president Pam Zimmer, president Marilyn Richardson, first vice president Beverley Pack and recording secretary Jean Azar. Not pictured is treasurer Noelle Landin. The Woman's Club is a nonprofit social and philanthropic organization that raises funds to award scholarships to two Grosse Pointe seniors each year and to support various Detroit area charities. Amid laughter and applause, "The Encore Players" entertained Grosse Pointe Woman's Club members at their Sept. 19 meeting. The players are a senior readers' theatre group, comprised of Grosse Pointe Theatre members over 60 years of age. The focus is to keep older members involved in the theatre and to serve as an outreach to the community.

## Judge Pierce running unopposed

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Lynne Pierce is seeking re-election as Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Judge and is running unopposed.

Pierce, 56, a graduate of the University of Michigan and the Detroit College of Law, has served as a municipal judge since 1992. She is also a visiting judge in Wayne and Macomb counties, as well as a contract judge for Grosse Pointe Shores.

Pierce said she is a strong advocate of programs that

help young people avoid alcohol and drugs. She and area public safety officers currently offer a program at Grosse Pointe North that educates students about the consequences of risk-taking behavior.

Pierce serves on the Steering Committee for Running and Winning, a League of Women Voters project that shows high school girls the importance of becoming involved in the political process.

She is also active in the American Association of University Women.

## LETTERS: Readers speak out

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ry. Later, when I called the Grosse Pointe Farms police department to acknowledge the situation and thank them, I found out that reserve police officers do not get paid. It is a volunteer position. Even though I have a brother who is a police officer, this was something new to me.

So again, a big thank you to those that give their time and also for those that get involved.

BARBARA J. BERTELSEN  
Grosse Pointe Woods

## Thanks for annual mum sale

To the Editor:

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe had another successful annual mum sale at the West Park Farmers' Market this year.

We would like to acknowledge the following for their support:

Jennifer Meldrum from the City of Grosse Pointe Park; Amanda, Steffi, Jessica, Emily and Emily from Girl Scout Troop No. 686 in the Pointes; Belding's Cleaners and Just Delicious on Kercheval who purchased mums; the Grosse Pointe News for publishing the event; and our many friends and neighbors in the community who stopped by and purchased mums, cookies and brownies.

See you all next year.

BETTY L. RUUD

Director of Administration  
and Fundraising

WILHELMINA GIBLIN

President League of Women  
Voters of Grosse Pointe

## WCCCD millage on the ballot

To the Editor:

Please be aware that Wayne County Community College District is again promoting a millage on the November ballot.

Its TV and Detroit Free Press editorials have identified their programs as especially worthy of our continued tax support.

It is important for Grosse Pointe voters to know that Wayne County Community College District has already both generous state and local millage tax support perhaps in excess of that for our local universities.

Please look into this issue before you vote.

PETER O. WARNER  
Grosse Pointe Park

## Film's fall season is on

The Detroit Film Theatre fall season season is underway with several contemporary and classic world films scheduled through early December.

All films are shown in the 1,100 seat theatre at The Detroit Institute of Arts.

The season includes:  
"Red Road," Oct. 25-27  
"Le Doulous," Oct. 26-28  
"Lake of Fire," Nov. 1-3  
"My Kid Could Paint That," Nov. 2-4  
"Lights in the Dusk," Nov. 15-17  
"Summer '04," Nov. 16-18  
"Cave of the Yellow Dog," Nov. 23-25  
"Summertime," Nov. 23-24  
"The Red Balloon and White Mane," Nov. 23-25  
"The Bothersome Man," Nov. 29 - Dec. 1  
"12:08 East of Bucharest," Nov. 30 - Dec. 2  
"The Page Turner," Dec. 6

For more information on the films and other presentations, ticket prices and viewing times, visit [dia.org/dft/](http://dia.org/dft/) or call (313) 833-4005.

## Clarification

The Oct. 18 election preview issue failed to mention that City of Grosse Pointe council candidate Don Parthum Jr. is an attorney with a background in business and marketing.

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Donna Hoban, M.D., is a Board Certified family practice physician whose office is in St. Clair Shores. She has been an invited speaker at the National Conference of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Hoban is a former chief of the medical staff at Bon Secours Hospital and has recently been appointed as a trustee of Beaumont Hospitals.



# Operation Can Do underway

Big Boy restaurants, WXYZ-TV and the Detroit Area and Clinton Valley Councils of the Boy Scouts of America are teaming up for the 30th annual Operation Can Do food drive to help fight hunger in Michigan.

Reports show that one in 10 Michigan families receive food assistance from emergency food bank networks each year.

Seventy percent of those users have incomes at or below the poverty rate.

Local Boy Scouts will kick off Operation Can Do with their Scouting for Food event

Saturday, Nov. 3, through Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Scouts will go door-to-door in metro Detroit handing out empty Operation Can Do collection bags. Residents are urged to fill these bags with non-perishable food in canned, boxed or plastic containers.

The scouts will retrieve the bags from 8 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 10. Residents are asked to leave the filled bags on their doorsteps by 8 a.m. All that is collected will be distributed to food providers around the state to help feed

those in need.

The public can continue donating food to Operation Can Do after Nov. 10 by dropping off any non-perishable food items at any local Big Boy restaurant until Dec. 31.

Last year, Big Boy restaurants collected 225 tons of food contributed by donors. Since the beginning of Operation Can Do in 1978, more than 9 million pounds of food have been donated. The need remains urgent as thousands of Michigan residents are considered to be food insecure.

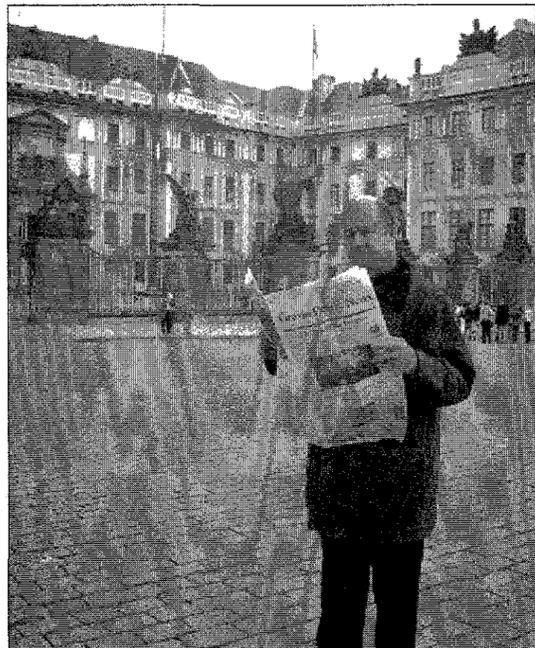
"We are ever grateful to the Detroit Area and Clinton Valley Councils of the Boy Scouts for the significant role they play in kicking off Operation Can Do with their Scouting for Food drive," said Tony Michaels, CEO of Big Boy Restaurants International LLC.

"We are asking metro Detroit residents to look into their hearts once again to help provide food for those who are in need.

"We have had great success with Operation Can Do and we're counting on the continued generosity of the public who has consistently made this food drive a success for 30 years."

Operation Can Do food is donated to food banks and emergency food providers in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Livingston, St. Clair and Washtenaw counties.

Since frozen and perishable goods cannot be accepted due shipping and storage restrictions, Operation Can Do asks that donations limited to items in canned, boxed or plastic packaging.



## Prague News

Roger Hull of Grosse Pointe Farms took the Grosse Pointe News along to read while in Prague (and Vienna). When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a vertical photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

## Eye injuries prone to occur at home

The most dangerous place for the eyes is the home, according to data collected by the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

In 2006, the commission reported more than 219,000 Americans were treated in an emergency room for eye injuries and more than half of those injuries occurred in the home.

Prevent Blindness America, an eye health and safety organization dedicated to saving sight, has declared September as Home Eye Safety Awareness Month in an effort to encourage the public to make protecting their sight a priority.

Daniel D. Garrett, senior vice president of Prevent Blindness America, explained simple household tasks can lead to eye injuries. For instance, when chemicals such as household cleaners, bleach and paint enter the eye, they can cause painful and serious damage. Lawn maintenance can also be hazardous to eyes, as clippings from trimmers or rocks and debris thrown by lawn mowers become airborne.

And those working on cars or other machinery in the garage can suffer injuries when battery acid, gasoline and other liquids splash onto the face and enter the eyes.

However, he said 90 percent of all eye injuries are preventable by wearing the proper eye protection. Safety goggles

should have "ANSI Z-87" stamped on the lenses or frames, meaning they have been certified by the American National Standards Institute.

Further damage can be prevented by making sure hands are washed thoroughly before touching the eyes or face, Garrett added.

"When we perform the same chores or tasks around the house week after week, we can get complacent about how quickly accidents can happen," Garrett said. "We all need to take extra care when we're at home to protect our sight and not wind up in the emergency room."

Children are also at risk for eye injuries in the home, he said. Everyday household items such as hangers, glue or pencils can suddenly become very dangerous, causing many accidental injuries. Burns, contusions, abrasions or punctures can occur.

The following tips may help prevent injuries:

- ◆ Teach children not to run around with forks, knives, pencils, combs or toothbrushes.

- ◆ Keep detergents, cleaning supplies, nail polish remover, mouthwash and cosmetics in locked cabinets or out of reach.

- ◆ Place nails, glue, screwdrivers and other tools out of reach of children.

For more information, call Prevent Blindness America at 1-800-331-2020 or visit [preventblindness.org](http://preventblindness.org).

## County Commission moves to save County Building

The Wayne County executive's office withdrew its request for a \$55 million bond issue to purchase the Guardian Building and related properties in downtown Detroit.

"The Wayne County Commission had serious concerns about the future of the Wayne County Building," said Commissioner Bernard Parker. "The Wayne County

Building has been our county seat, and we want to make sure it is preserved and not abandoned."

Parker said the county executive's office agreed to yank the original proposal and restructure the bond issue to include the purchase of the historic, privately owned facility.

With the proposed relocation of county administrative

offices to the Guardian Building, the future of the privately owned Wayne County Building was in jeopardy, Parker said.

The commission's intent is to maintain county functions at the county building.

In July, the county's executive office announced plans to purchase the Guardian Building for \$14.5 million.

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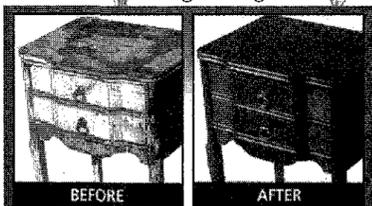
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# Safety should be Halloween priority

Halloween is a magical time for kids, but it's also a time of year where safety should be as much a priority as collecting candy.

About 40 million costume-clad youngsters ranging in age from 5 to 14, take to the streets each year in search of Halloween treats. With so much volume in one day, and the naivete of this target age group, the responsibility falls on parents and other adults to ensure Halloween is a safe time for trick-or-treaters.

There are measures to take whether you're manning the door or escorting the troops around town, in addition to general tips to heed.

In advance of Halloween:

- ◆ Help children choose costumes that will be safe. Hems should be reasonably cut to deter tripping, and proper footwear should be worn.

- ◆ Masks can be hot and obscure vision. Consider water-based, hypoallergenic face paints instead. Use caution when applying around the eyes.

- ◆ Stock up on glow sticks or flashlights children can carry to illuminate the way at night. They'll also be more visible to other pedestrians and drivers.

- ◆ Map out an area the children are allowed to visit. Set curfews. One safe option is to take trick-or-treaters age 12 and under to stores on Kercheval and Mack avenues.

Children may stop in at participating businesses with a special sign in their front windows. The events begin at 3 p.m. on Mack and 3:30 on Kercheval, Wednesday, Oct. 30.

To safely welcome visitors to the door:

- ◆ Take the time to identify and remove tripping hazards leading to the doorway. These may include flower pots, decorations, garden hoses, etc.

- ◆ Your front door and walkway should be lit well enough for trick-or-treaters to make their way safely.

- ◆ Animals may be extra jumpy or weary on Halloween. Keep your pets locked safely in another room so they won't lunge for the door or run out-

side.

- ◆ Consider purchasing non-food fun treats for those who come calling. They'll be safer and more fun alternatives to sugar-laden candies. Healthy, individually wrapped foods can be another idea.

- ◆ Keep a first-aid kit fully stocked and nearby in the event of accidents. It is also a good idea to learn CPR and The Heimlich maneuver as an extra precaution for children who are gobbling up treats en route to your door.

When out in the neighborhood:

- ◆ Explain that children should remain on the sidewalk or illuminated paths. They should know the danger of

## Send candy to troops

A Halloween candy "buy back" will take place from 3 to 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1, at Woods Cosmetic Dental Care, office of Carol J. Quinn, D.D.S., 20870 Mack, Grosse Pointe.

Any child who comes into the office with wrapped and unopened candy pieces left from Halloween trick or treating will be paid \$1 per pound.

Children can write a short note to a serviceman or woman stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan wishing them a happy Halloween. Those notes and candy will be mailed to troops overseas as a morale booster.

Children can come in their Halloween costumes so photos can be taken and included in the packages.

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darting out into the street or across driveways and alleys. Drivers can have a difficult time making out children in the night.

- ◆ Obey all local traffic and pedestrian regulations, such as

crossing at crosswalks.

- ◆ Assign a chaperone, either you or perhaps an older sibling, who can accompany younger children. Don't let young kids go out alone.

- ◆ Children should not enter the homes of strangers. Be sure they are aware of this rule.
- ◆ Inform children not to indulge in their treats before they get home.

Once trick or treating is over, the safety measures continue:

- ◆ Treats need to be thoroughly checked by an adult when children get home. Tampering is rare, but proper precautions should always be taken.

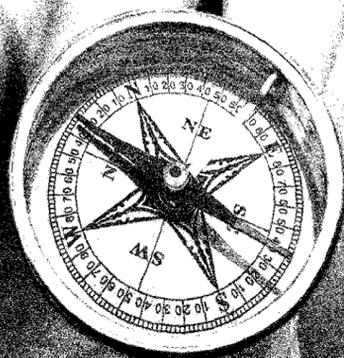
- ◆ Divide up the candy so it can be enjoyed many days following Halloween.

- ◆ Make sure treats are age-appropriate, and keep candy out of the reach of young children. Some may pose a choking hazard.

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## Free passes offered

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Partnership between Greater Detroit, Macy's, Detroit regional public libraries and the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan created The Museum Adventure Pass.

The program provides Detroit regional public library card holders free passes to local museums, cultural centers and historic sites.

It is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials and to provide access to arts and cultural organizations.

"Our hope is that people who may not have access to the wonderful local arts and cultural scene will use this program as a learning tool for themselves and their families and realize their local libraries are a great place to learn about something new," said Fran Guzzetta, chairman and CEO of Macy's North.

The museum pass is valid at the following locations:

- ◆ Arab American National Museum
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**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH**

## Principal earns state accolade

D. Allan Diver, principal of Grosse Pointe South High School, has been named 2008 MetLife/MASSP High School Principal of the Year.

The award was presented recently at the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principal's honors luncheon at its annual convention.

This year's MASSP High School Principal of the Year is credited with providing much needed stability to the school at a time when the principal position had become regarded as a "revolving door," an association representative said.

Under Diver's stewardship, Grosse Pointe South has been named one of the top 100 high schools in the country. Diver's selection for this recognition was based in part on his commitment and leadership in the area of professional development.

According to nominator Matt Outlaw, Grosse Pointe South assistant principal, Diver is constantly seeking new strategies and new programs that will benefit students.

Diver is credited with introducing the concept of Professional Learning Communities to the district.

"PLC's have changed the culture of South and truly led us towards the collective inquiry needed to move our school forward," Outlaw said.

Superintendent Suzanne

*'South has been named one of the top 100 high schools in the country.'*

Klein said that Diver is a change leader who is willing to put forth the extra effort needed to handle a wide range of tasks, including those that require risk-taking and "out of the box" thinking.

"As you observe him at work in any adult venue, you come away convinced that he will help those participating find a way to solve current problems, develop new solutions and create the best educational environment and programs possible for students based on best practices and data driven analysis," Klein said.

"Yet he relates easily to students and is just as at home shooting hoops, working with student leaders or making plans to support struggling learners for whom he has personal concern.

"He truly understands all facets of the high school administrator role and the impact it has on the school staff and its individual students."

Diver will represent Michigan in the 2008/2009 MetLife/MASSP State and National Principal of the Year program.

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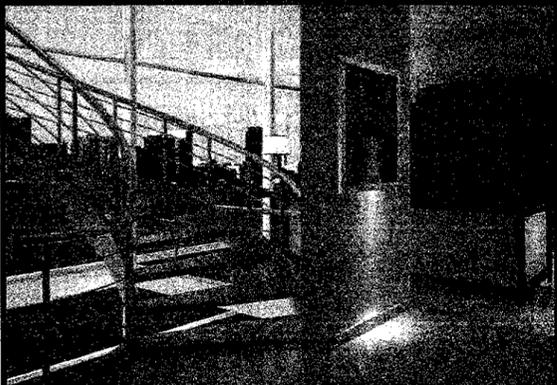
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## The verdict is ...

Third-grader Nolan Kirkman, above, played a judge during a mock trial in Joette Liamini's class at Our Lady Star of the Sea School. The defendant was the "Old Wolf," who was charged with breaking and entering and attempting to eat small children. The accuracy of the proceedings, including jury deliberation and the verdict, was overseen by attorney Amy Johnston, whose child is enrolled in the class.

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ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# Looking for auction items

St. Paul Catholic School is still collecting donations for its annual dinner and auction on Friday, Feb. 1, at the Roostertail Restaurant in Detroit.

Last year's event raised more than \$160,000 for the school.

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

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

The goal for this year's auction is to raise funds to replace social studies textbooks and curriculum materials; purchase technology upgrades; and provide enrichment opportunities for both students and staff, Miller said.

Donations received prior to

*I'm amazed at the creativity, energy and commitment of all of our volunteers and donors.'*

MARY MILLER,  
St. Paul Principal

Friday, Nov. 30, will be described in the auction catalog.

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

All donations are 100 percent tax-deductible and can be dropped off at St. Paul Catholic School, 170 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Contact Damaris Perez bovdde@comcast.net or Marianne Weldon at rjweldon@sbcglobal.net for more information.



St. Paul students, from left, Gregory Nelson and Eric Peltola hold a donated autographed Detroit Lions football with Principal Mary Miller, and classmates Elena Rauch, Daniela Dulworth and Katherine Bird at their side.

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**GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

## Personnel contract approved

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

It didn't take long for the Grosse Pointe Board of Education to approve the district's personnel contract. Tom Harwood, assistant superintendent of human resources and labor negotiations, worked with office personnel to draw up a new contract with the Grosse Pointe Education Association of Educational Office Personnel/MEA that calls for language and benefit changes, as well as pay increases.

"I feel pretty good with a fair and equitable contract," Harwood said.

"I'm very pleased with this collaborative effort," said Brendan Walsh, board of education president. "This is a win-win for everyone."

Office personnel will pay into a lower insurance cost program and they will continue to make the school district one of the best in the tri-county area, Harwood added.

"We collaborated to create a sound contract that takes in consideration our current economic climate," Harwood said. "Both parties are satisfied with the two-year contract."

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**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH**

## School choirs' upcoming event

Grosse Pointe South's choir presents "Fall Follies" at 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, and Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tickets are \$15 for main floor, \$10 for balcony and \$9 for seniors and students, and are available at Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

South singers will perform "Caribbean Getaway" and selections from "A Chorus Line."

The women's choir will perform "Wishin' and Hopin'" and "One Night Only" from Dreamgirls. The Pointe singers will perform "Lazy River Medley," "Down By the Riverside," "Down By the Lazy River," and "Up the Lazy River."



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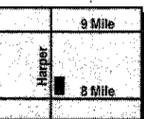
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DELASALLE HIGH SCHOOL

# Pointers star in DLS production

Three Grosse Pointe residents will be in Warren DeLaSalle High School's production of "Get Smart" Thursday, Oct. 25, Friday, Oct. 26, and Saturday, Oct. 27.

The Woods' Christian Schulte, a senior, plays Mr. Big, while senior Brooke Accardo of the Woods and sophomore Beatrice Tepel of the Farms play the parts of Anne and Jill, respectively.

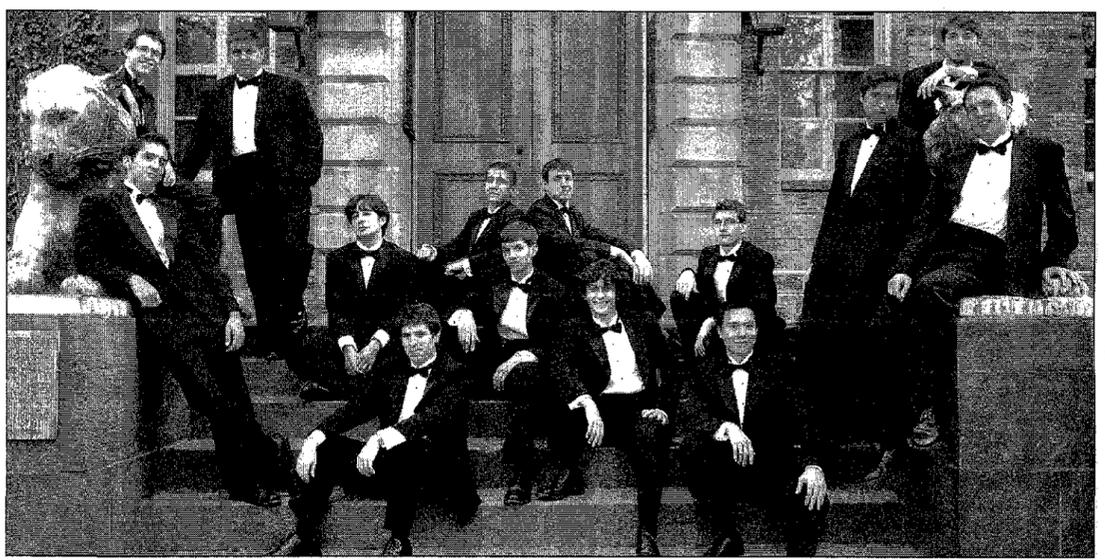
The school's Wig and Mask Society presents the produc-

tion, based on the 1960s television series, at DeLaSalle, 14600 Common.

The performances on Oct. 25 and Oct. 26 are at 7 p.m. The Oct. 27 is a dinner theater presentation with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the performance at 8 p.m. Tickets for the Thursday and Friday performances are \$7. Tickets for the dinner performance are \$22.50.

For tickets, contact Br. Patrick McNally at (586) 778-22076, ext. 258.

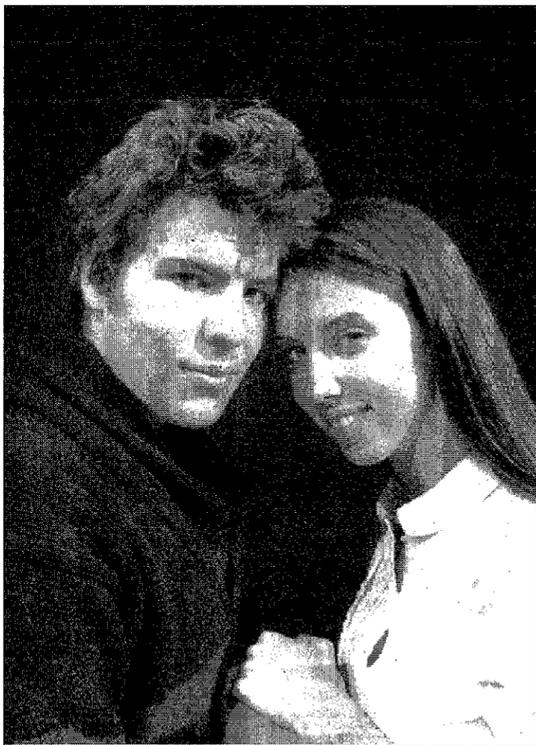
UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL



# Nassoons perform

The Princeton Nassoons, above, the third oldest collegiate a cappella group in the nation, perform with The Grunyons at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 29, at University Liggett School auditorium on Cook. Since 1941, the Nassoons have performed using a repertoire of songs that span a century.

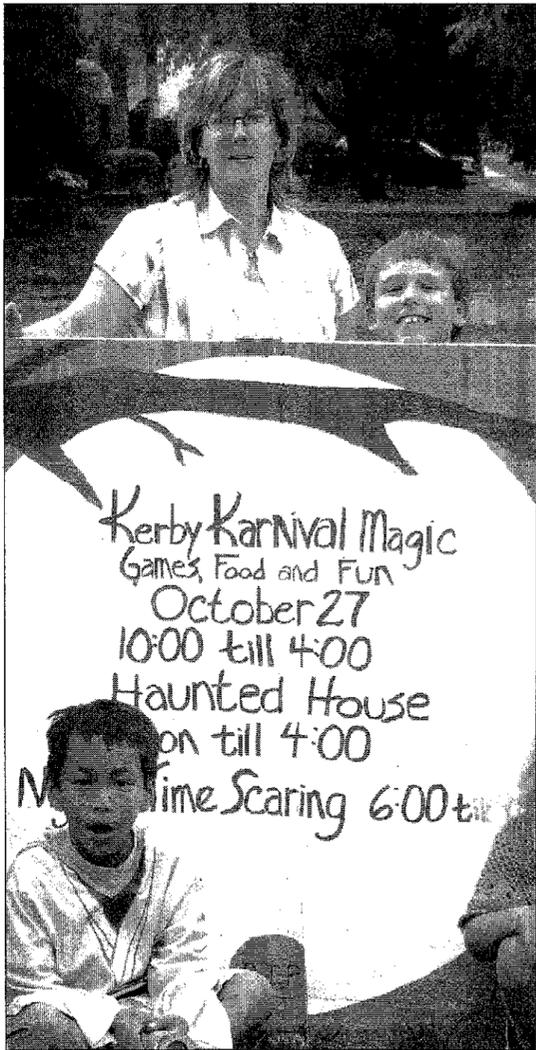
UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL



# ULS theater

University Liggett School players presentation of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," opens at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1. Other shows are 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, and 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 3, at ULS. Seniors Kate Fitzgerald, pictured right, and Andrew Faber are leading the production. Joining the duo in the production are seniors Jeri Tocco, Bridget Hillyer, Matthew Sauter and Gabby Bryant. For tickets, visit the ULS Web site at [uls.org](http://uls.org).

KERBY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



# Kerby Carnival

Kerby Elementary School Principal Maureen Rembisz, standing center, and several students prepare for the annual Kerby Carnival that runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 27. A family-friendly haunted house is open from noon to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

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# OBITUARIES

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## Hazel Stier Allard

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Hazel Stier Allard, 90, died Thursday, Oct. 18, 2007, at her daughter's home in Auburn Hills surrounded by her devoted and loving family.

Mrs. Allard was born in Wyandotte to Albert and Anna Stier.

She met her husband, William, in 1936 at Eastwood Gardens on the east side of Detroit at a dime-a-dance party, when he upped the ante to 15 cents to dance with her. The couple married in 1938.

Mrs. Allard was known for her sense of style whether she was sewing matching outfits for her daughters or upholstering furniture. She was an enthusiastic knitter known for pulling apart an afghan if she found she missed a stitch several rows back.

She was a sports fan out of necessity because her husband controlled the television remote.

Mrs. Allard and her husband shared a strong faith and were often heard saying nightly prayers together.

She will be remembered by her husband as the love of his life and faithful companion; by her children as the heart and soul of the family; by her loving grandchildren as the foundation of all that is good in a family; and by her great-grandchildren for her playfulness and loving smile.

She is survived by William, her husband of 69 years; daughters Joan (Lloyd) Bayer and Judith (Pete) Genord; son William (Cindy); grandchildren Michele, Michael, Dana, Cindi, Matt and Eric; and great-grandchildren James, Ryan, Riese, Zachary, Michael, Brienne, Serena, Lauren, Christian, Elise, Garrett and Devin.

She was predeceased by her daughter, Martha, her parents, and great grandchildren Tyler and Austin.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, Oct. 20 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 400 Mack Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

## Richard Sinclair Boynton

Richard Sinclair Boynton, 84, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007.

Mr. Boynton was born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada and moved to the Boston area when he was six years old. He graduated from Newton High School in Newton, Mass. and Brown University in Rhode Island, where he was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

He served in World War II as a first lieutenant. He was navigator in the United States Air Force on a B17 Bomber in the 8th Air Force 305th Bomb Group, 364th Bomb Squadron. He was stationed in Chelveston, England and flew 29 missions over Germany.

Mr. Boynton moved to the City of Grosse Pointe in 1978 and worked in sales for TRW for 30 years.

He was active in many clubs and organizations including the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club and the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club Chorus. He was a wonderful dancer and a former president of the Villagers dance club.

An avid golfer, he was a former member of Woodland Golf Club in Newton, Mass. and Sycamore Creek Country Club in Springboro, Ohio.

Mr. Boynton was a longtime member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe. He loved vacationing in Cape Cod and took much pride in his family. His grandchildren were the love of his life.

Mr. Boynton is survived by his beloved wife, Betsy; children Richard Boynton Jr. of Dover, Mass., Wallace J. (Linda) Wolf Jr. of West Dundee, Ill.; Frank R. (Mary) Wolf of Hawthorn Woods, Ill.; Marijean (Ron) Frickel of Golden, Colorado, Carol (Phil) Phillips of Carlsbad, Calif., and Geoffrey S. (Monica) Boynton of Grosse Pointe Farms. He also is sur-

vived by grandchildren Valerie (Paul) Calnan, Victoria (Scott) Cassidy and Katy and Andrew Wolf, Steven and Emily Abbott, and Scott and Jeannie Boynton; brother Rodney (Marcia) Boynton of Boothbay Harbor, Maine; brother-in-law Jack Stover; and sister-in-law Lucy Redding.

He was predeceased by his brother, Robert Boynton; and sister Diana Stover.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Oct. 20 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or Beaumont Grosse Pointe Assistance League, 468 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

Share a memory with the family at [www.verheyden.org](http://www.verheyden.org).

## Sonia Eshkanian

Sonia Eshkanian, 97, of the City of Grosse Pointe, died Saturday, Oct. 20, 2007.

She is survived by her son, Ruben of Grosse Pointe.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. John Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48076; Michigan Humane Society, 26711 Northwestern Highway, Suite 175, Southfield, MI 48033; Hospices of Henry Ford, One Ford Place-5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

Arrangements were handled by the Cremation Society of Michigan.

## Ellen Marie Heller

Ellen Marie Heller, of St. Clair Shores and Harbor Springs, died Monday, Oct. 22, 2007, in St. Clair Shores.

She was born Dec. 20, 1917 in Detroit. She married William Heller Feb. 11, 1940.

Mrs. Heller had many interests and activities. She was involved with bridge groups, conservation and church and charitable organizations. Her involvement in the Grosse Pointe area included Pointer Girls, Grosse Pointe Women's Club, Southeast District Michigan Association of Healthcare, Metro Detroit Choral Society, Valparaiso Women's Guild and St. James Lutheran Church. In Harbor Springs she was involved



Hazel Stier Allard



Richard Sinclair Boynton



Patricia A. Keegan



James Russell Matzke



Peter Sawchuk

Detroit Towers. In 2006, he moved to Florida to manage a large residential community in Estero.

Mr. Matzke was a kind man well-respected by all he met, loved by the many who called him friend and cherished by his immediate and extended family. His zest for life was infectious.

He is survived by his son, James Russell Jr., (Jennifer); brother Bruce; uncle Jack Markoff; cousins Linda and Brian Cardinale; several nieces and nephews; and his former wife, Linda.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at Grosse Pointe Methodist Church, 211 Moross Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Peter Sawchuk

Peter Sawchuk, 81, of Grosse Pointe Shores, died Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, in St. John Hospital, Detroit.

He was born Sept. 28, 1926 in Detroit to Peter and Ann Sawchuk.

Mr. Sawchuk worked for the Chrysler Corp. for 47 years retiring in 1991 as manager of the design and drafting department.

He is survived by his children, David (Teresa) of Grosse Pointe Shores, Donna Owens of St. Clair Shores and Linda (Bob) Smith of Canton; grandchildren James, Jacqueline, Michael, Matthew and David; great-grandchildren Jolie, Kendra, Chloe and Robin.

He also is survived by siblings Joe (Betty) Bonner of Texas, Ted Sawchuck of Sterling Heights, and Rose Garland-Thornton of Grosse Pointe Shores; sister-in-law Alma Bonner of Beausejour, Manitoba, Canada; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held Oct. 24 with entombment at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkeley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. John Health Foundation/Van Elslander Cancer Center, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271.

## James Russell Matzke

Former City of Grosse Pointe resident James Russell Matzke, 64, died suddenly Monday, Oct. 8, 2007, surrounded by family in Naples, Fla.

Mr. Matzke received a bachelor's degree in business administration from The University of Michigan and started a career with J. Walter Thompson Advertising in Detroit and Germany, a time he fondly remembered.

Upon returning to the United States, he continued in advertising handling the Champion Spark Plug business. In 1992, he changed careers and became a property manager, managing the

with the Little Traverse Conservancy, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, Christ Child Society, Harbor Springs Historical Society, Crooked Tree Arts Council, North Michigan Hospital Foundation and Cross of Christ Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her son, William Jr. (Robin); daughters Bonnie (Alan) Gilford, Linda Heller, and Karen (Ben) Heller-Klinck; and her loving grandchildren Wendy Miller, Rebecca Nadel, and William III and Elizabeth Heller.

She was predeceased by her husband, William Paul Heller Sr.; son Douglas; and brothers Harold and William Ackley.

Services were private with interment at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

## Patricia A. Keegan

Patricia A. Keegan, 72, longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Shores, died peacefully at home, Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2007, surrounded by friends and family.

Mrs. Keegan was born June 10, 1935 to Paul and Gladys Saylor of Detroit. She moved with her family to Grosse Pointe in 1967.

She acquired her nickname, "Patti Plus Plus," from her husband, Lawrence, early in their 50-year marriage.

Mrs. Keegan was a loving wife, mother, friend and grandmother. She is survived by her children Michael,

## Help with funeral arrangements

Most states have a licensing board that regulates the funeral industry. For information or help, contact The Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services Board of Examiners in Mortuary Science, P.O. Box 30018, Lansing, MI 48909; phone, (517) 241-9252.

For more information about making funeral arrangements and the options available, contact interested business, professional and consumer groups. Some of the biggest are:

◆ The International Cemetery and Funeral Association is a nonprofit association of cemeteries, funeral

homes, crematories and monument retailers that offers informal mediation of consumer complaints through its Cemetery Consumer Service Council. Contact: 1895 Preston White Drive, Suite 220, Reston, VA 20191 (800) 645-7700; [icfa.org](http://icfa.org).

◆ The International Order of the Golden Rule is an international association of about 1,300 independent funeral homes. Contact: 13523 Lakefront Drive, St. Louis, MO 63045; (800) 637-8030; [ogr.org](http://ogr.org).

◆ The Jewish Funeral Directors of America Seaport Landing is an international association of funeral homes serving the Jewish community.

Contact: Seaport Landing, 150 Lynnway, Suite 506, Lynn, MA 01902; (781) 477-9300; [jfda.org](http://jfda.org).

◆ National Funeral Directors Association is the largest educational and professional association of funeral directors. Contact: 13625 Bishop's Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005; [nfd.org/resources](http://nfd.org/resources).

◆ The Funeral Service Consumer Assistance Program is a nonprofit consumer service designed to help people understand funeral service and related topics and to help them resolve funeral service concerns. The program service representatives and an intervener assist consumers in identifying needs, addressing complaints and resolving problems.

Free brochures on funeral related topics are available. Contact: P.O. Box 486, Elm Grove, WI 53122-0486; (800) 662-7666

◆ The Funeral Service Educational Foundation is a nonprofit foundation dedicated to advancing professionalism in funeral service and to enhancing public knowledge and understanding through education and research. Contact: 13625 Bishop's Drive, Brookfield, WI 53005; (877) 402-5900.

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# PEOPLE

**BERNADETTE M. DENNEHY, THOMAS G. MCNEILL, RICHARD M. BOLTON, WILLIAM T. BURGESS, JAMES N. CANDLER JR., VERNER C. HAMPTON II, EDGAR C. HOWBERT, JAMES B. PERRY, MARK R. HIGH, LOUIS THEROS, KATHLEEN A. LANG, WILLIAM SHIELD JR. AND TIMOTHY P. STOEPKER**, attorneys at Dickinson Wright PLLC, have received national attention in two well-recognized publications, "The Best Lawyers in America 2008" and "Michigan Super Lawyers 2007."

All are based in the firm's Detroit office. They were among nearly 60 Dickinson Wright attorneys included in the publications. Dennehy, a member of the firm's management group, was listed for her work in corporate law. She was also ranked among the "Top 50 Women Lawyers" by Michigan Super Lawyers.

McNeill was recognized for his expertise in business litigation. Bolton, director of the firm's corporate, corporate finance, private equity, securities, real estate and estate planning groups, was listed for his work in corporate law and in securities and corporate finance. He is chairman of the board of trustees of the Detroit Institute for Children.

Burgess was recognized in the areas of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights. He is the city attorney for Grosse Pointe Farms.

Candler Jr. was listed for his work in real estate law. He serves as chairman of the board of the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology.

Hampton II was recognized in the practice area of corporate law. He recently received the Stephen H. Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award from the State Bar of Michigan's Business Law Section.

Howbert was listed for his work in bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights and for his work in banking law. He is a director of the Detroit Youth Foundation.

Perry was recognized in the area of employment and labor law. He serves on the board of directors of Phi Alumni Corp. of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Theros was listed for his expertise in labor and employment law. He is Grosse Pointe Farms' mayor pro tem.

High was listed for his work in corporate governance and compliance law and in the area of business/corporate law.

He is co-chair of the corporate and securities committee of the U.S. Law Firm Group and a member of the board of directors of the Detroit Wine Organization.

Lang is director of the firm's product liability, torts, appellate, environmental, gaming and insurance practices. She was listed in the area of personal injury litigation and for her work in business litigation. She was also recognized as one of the "Top 50 Women Lawyers."

She has served on the firm's governing board and is a member of the Michigan Institute for Continuing Legal Education Litigation Advisory Board.

Shield Jr. was listed for his work in banking law. He is director of the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association.

Stoepker was recognized in the area of land use and zoning law. He recently argued Carabell vs Army Corp of Engineers before the U.S. Supreme Court, and was involved in the restoration of the historic Charles C. Trowbridge House in Detroit.

Dennehy and McNeill live in the City of Grosse Pointe; Bolton, Candler Jr., Hampton II, Howbert, Perry and Theros reside in Grosse Pointe Farms; High, Lang, Shield Jr and Stoepker live in Grosse Pointe Park.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Techs new to Village

Grosse Pointe Geek, a computer store, moved from Charlevoix in Grosse Pointe Park to its new digs at 17116 Kercheval in the Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe. Taking part in a welcome to the community ribbon-cutting ceremony Thursday, Oct. 4, were front row from left, Jenny Boettcher, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce director of members services; Joe Bracken, Grosse Pointe Geek president and founder; Dale Scrace, mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe; the Rev. Gerald A. Spice of St. James Lutheran Church of Grosse Pointe; Scott Cressy, Village Flagstar Bank branch manager; Mary Huebner, chamber of commerce president; Mary Hume, Electronic Merchant Systems senior account executive; and Jim Bellanca, property owner; and back row from left, Lawrence King, technical support specialist; Daniel McDuffee, lead technical specialist; Karl Liverance, technical support specialist; and Adam Lincoln, technical support specialist. For more information, call (313) 885-2222 or visit the Web site at [gpgeek.com](http://gpgeek.com).

## Barton Malow earns accolade

For the sixth time, Barton Malow Company has been named one of Metro Detroit's 101 Best and Brightest companies for which to work.

The Michigan Business and Professional Association introduced the winners at an Oct. 4 luncheon at the Ford Motor Company Conference & Event Center in Dearborn.

The criteria for selection includes excellence in the following categories: communica-

tion, community initiatives, compensation and benefits, diversity and multiculturalism, employee education and development, employee engagement and commitment, recog-

nitition and retention, recruitment and selection and work-life balance.

In addition to a survey completed by each firm's nominator, the association asked a ran-

dom group of employees at each firm to evaluate their workplaces. The association used both surveys to choose winners. Barton Malow is handling the South pool project.

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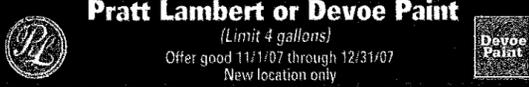
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GROSSE POINTE FARMS

# Marschke's presentation hits all facets

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

What is the difference between a carpet and a rug?

That question was answered during business owner Alan Marschke's Carpet 101 class offered last week at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

During his two-hour class, Marschke, owner of Oriental Rug Gallery, gave an expanded look into the intricacies of the rug and carpet world.

"Certain Oriental carpets have long been appreciated for their beauty and have become

valued throughout the world as works of art," he said. "With a seemingly infinite variety of designs, regions had developed and jealously guarded their own patterns and designs, passing them down from generation to generation."

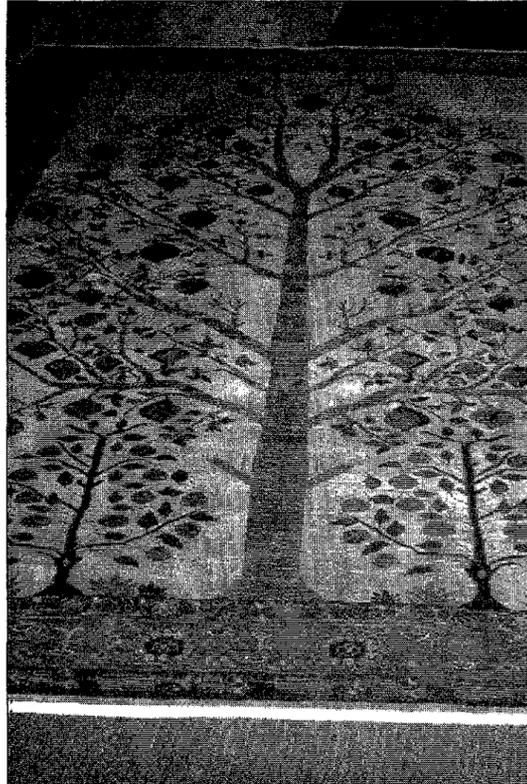
Marschke, one of only five nationally certified Oriental rug appraisers in Michigan, shared his passion for rugs and carpets and the art of carpet making.

He described the types of rug styles, the theoretical origins of pile weaving, the history of dyes, and how to clean a



PHOTOS BY BOB ST. JOHN

Alan Marschke, above, gave a two-hour presentation about rugs and carpets at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.



The carpet pictured above is called "Tree of Life" because branches coming out of the main trunk, denote a family tree.

carpet.

The rug professional received his Master of Arts degree from Wayne State University and studied at the Textile Museum in Washington, D.C.

Marschke worked in the nation's capital for several years and moved to the Grosse Pointes, where he opened his oriental rug shop.

"I have rugs and carpets that range in cost," Marschke said. "I don't mark up rugs and carpets. What my customers see on the tag is what they pay for."

His walls are lined with rare rugs and carpets hand-crafted

with age-old natural dyes. Each piece originated in countries such as Iran, Pakistan, Turkey, Tibet, India, Afghanistan, China, Egypt or even Nepal.

Marschke's appreciation for rugs made truly by hand was construed through each word, each hand gesture which he used throughout the presentation.

"Alan really enjoys his work and he portrays that during this class," said Mark Weber, president of the War Memorial. "He is very thorough with his research and knowledge of the subject."

"You see the vibrant colors in these rugs that are from the natural dyes," Marschke said. "These natural dyes came from insects and other things, not chemicals like they use now."

Marschke said the old-school technique is making a comeback and the rugs created can be used in every home because they can take the wear and tear of daily use.

He told participants of the elegance of each rug and how proud people are to own one.

"You don't have to buy a rug for an investment," he said. "You can buy a rug that you can put in your living room

that will last a very long time."

Marschke has traveled near and far to be one of the first buyers on hand to view a new shipment of rugs.

"I want to make sure I get the very best to take home to Grosse Pointe," Marschke said.

Customers can expect to pay several thousand dollars or more for one of these rugs.

To answer the original question, the difference between a rug and carpet is size, Marschke said. A rug is 6-feet by 9-feet or smaller, while a carpet is larger than 6-feet by 9-feet.

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## Chamber slates workshop

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce is hosting a six-week workshop, beginning at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 7. Each workshop lasts until 9:15 a.m. Participants will define business direction, establish critical objectives, and develop plans for achieving those goals.

Additionally, the process will touch on sales, marketing plans, financial budgeting and tools for measuring and keeping on track. Participants will walk away with all the dashboard instrumentation necessary to guide their business down the road to success, chamber representatives said.

Larry Klimek, business strategist and president of JKL Associates, will facilitate the workshops and be available for personal interaction after each session.

The investment for this six week process is \$495 per participant. Grosse Pointe chamber members will receive a \$100 discount.

Participant's investment includes more than 12 hours of group facilitation services, workshop materials and coffee service. In addition, breakfast items will be available for purchase.

Reserve a space by calling JKL Associates at (313) 527-7945 or visit the Web site at [smallbusinessblueprint.com](http://smallbusinessblueprint.com).

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 15, 2007**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilman Daniel S. Palmer.

**MOTIONS PASSED**

- 1) To excuse Councilman Daniel S. Palmer from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 1, 2007.
- 3) To amend the resolution to add "any court" and not just District Court 32A.
- 4) To amend the resolution to provide for a maximum of \$10.00 per day, per person.
- 5) To adjourn to the Budget Workshop Session.
- 6) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 81970 through 82110 in the amount of \$729,064.22 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$8,652.88 for services performed on the tax rolls. (3) Approve payment to Nu Appearance in the amount of \$10,252.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the city, including City Hall, the Library, DPW and the I-94 service drive. (4) Approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,839.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department. (5) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$8,831.30 for professional services during the month of September 2007 for the following projects: Johnston Park Tennis Courts, #180-096; 2007 Sewer Cleaning & TV Inspections, #180-100 and the Johnston Park Parking Lot, #180-103 (6) Approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$6,507.17 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period January through June 2007.
- 2) To Authorize a change order in the amount of \$40,425.00 to Scodeller Construction Inc. for the 2005/06/07 Joint and Crack Sealing project, #180-089/094/104.
- 3) Approve payment to JP Morgan Chase in the amount of \$630,862.50 for the annual principal and interest payments on the 1995, 1999 and 2001 Tax Road Bonds and the Library Improvement Bond; \$450,550.00 principal and interest on the 1995 Series Bond; \$95,250.00 interest on the 1999 Series Bond; \$22,825.00 interest in the 2001 Series Bond and \$62,237.50 interest on the Library Improvement Bond.
- 4) To Introduce and Place for First Reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Designate an Enforcing Agency to Discharge the Responsibility of the City of Harper Woods Located in Wayne County, under the Provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as Amended," and further, to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- 5) To establish a fee of \$10.00 per day for individuals who are required by District Court 32A to obtain a Preliminary Breath Test from the Police Department
- 6) To establish a fee of \$10.00 per day, per person for individuals who are required by any court to obtain a Preliminary Breath Test from the Police Department.

**Kenneth A. Poynter,**  
Mayor

**Mickey D. Todd,**  
City Clerk

Published: GPN, October 25, 2007



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

# Candlelight vigil

Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen D-District I, right, and a dozen other local people gathered at St. Clair and Kercheval to protest Pres. George Bush vetoing a bill which would have provided health care to children. Killeen indicated this was an important issue in his district. More than nine million children lack health insurance, and millions more have inadequate coverage in the United States.

## GROSSE POINTE SHORES

# Man caught on video comes forward

A man named a "person of interest" in a string of larcenies from vehicles in the Pointes came forward recently to Grosse Pointe Shores police, said Steve Poloni, director of public safety. "We're not calling him a suspect, just a person we would like to talk to," Poloni said. "Right now, we are continuing to investigate." Police now have an image of the man captured by video surveillance at an area restaurant. The restaurant's employees are familiar with the man and turned over the video so police would have a physical description of him. Shores Detective Dan Pullen said the man is wanted for questioning for his involvement in stealing thousands of dollars worth of goods from vehicles. "During one incident, a (Shores) resident had left her purse in her vehicle, which was parked in her driveway overnight," Pullen said. "When (she) awoke, she (discovered) that her purse along with \$400, cell phone, digital camera, jewelry and two credit cards were missing (from her vehicle)." Pullen said the man later used one of those credit cards at the restaurant where the video was obtained.

—By John Lundberg

**City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2007 - 7:00pm**  
**17147 MAUMEE, GROSSE POINTE, MI 48230**

**UPSCALE YOGA CENTER**  
**SPECIAL USE REQUEST**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Grosse Pointe Planning Commission will hold a public hearing as noticed above to consider the Special Use Application for a proposed upscale yoga center (fitness center) at 17000 Kercheval. Requested by Scott Bowers, Bowers and Rein Associates, on behalf of Grosse Pointe St. Clair Associates, LLC.

The project is being proposed for development under Section 90-298. Permitted Uses after Special Approval, of the City of Grosse Pointe Zoning Ordinance which allows fitness centers in the central business district subject to special use approval.

The following specifications are proposed for the project:

1. Project Type: Retail use approximately 1,806 square feet
2. Current Zoning: C-2, Central Business District
3. Total Parcel Size: Approximately one acre
4. The applicant is requesting special use approval for an upscale yoga center (fitness center) located at 17000 Kercheval.

The proposed plans for this project are available for inspection by the public at City Hall during regular business hours Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5 pm, Telephone 313-885-5800.

Julie E. Arthurs  
City Clerk

GPN: 10/25/07

**NOTICE OF GENERAL CITY ELECTION**  
**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, MICHIGAN**  
**AND**  
**REGULAR ELECTION**  
**IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**  
**WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a General City Election and Regular School Election in the Grosse Pointe School System will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Park on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

- MAYOR  
 THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS
- AND, FOR THE GROSSE POINTE SCHOOL SYSTEM  
 Members of the Board of Education  
Two-Four (4) Year Term  
 Expiring in 2011
- AND, IN THE COUNTY OF WAYNE  
 Wayne County Community College District  
Millage Reauthorization Proposal

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes, which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District, be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2011 to 2020, inclusive, as new additional millage replacing a prior millage authorization approved by the electors which shall expire with the 2010 levy, to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$51,839,157 when first levied in 2011.

Yes  
 No

And, STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

WAYNE COUNTY  
 Wayne County, Michigan

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Year Increases Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2009
Wayne County Jail	August 6, 2002	1 mill	2010
Wayne Co. Parks	August 2, 2005	0.25 mills	2010
Wayne County	November 3, 1998	1 mill	indefinitely
Community College	November 6, 2001	1.5 mills	2010

School Districts	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increases Effective
Grosse Pointe	February, 2005	16,7875 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
Schools	February, 2005	2,2125 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
	March, 2004	1 mill	2010
	February, 2005	8.0784 mills	2009 (homestead only)

Each person voting in the Election must be:

- A citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) years of age;
- A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Polling Locations for said Election are as follows:

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK**

PRECINCT	LOCATION
01	Trombley School, 820 Beaconsfield
02	Trombley School, 820 Beaconsfield
03	Grosse Pointe Park Bldg, 15115 E Jefferson
04	Pierce School, 15430 Kercheval
05	Defer School, 15425 Kercheval
06	Defer School, 15425 Kercheval
07	Pierce School 15430 Kercheval

All polling locations are handicap accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (Audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 313-822-6200 prior to Election Day.

Jane M. Blahut  
City Clerk

GPN: 10/25/07

**NOTICE OF GENERAL CITY ELECTION**  
**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN**  
**AND**  
**REGULAR ELECTION**  
**IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**  
**WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a General City Election and Regular School Election in the Grosse Pointe Public School System will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Farms on Tuesday, November 6, 2007 at 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

- IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS
- COUNCILMEMBER  
 (Vote For Not More Than Three (3))
- Greg J. Bourgoin  
 Therese Joseph  
 Joseph T. Leonard  
 Doug Roby
- MAYORAL  
 (Vote For Not More Than One (1))
- James C. Farquhar, Jr.
- AND, FOR THE GROSSE POINTE SCHOOL SYSTEM
- Members of the Board of Education  
Two-Four (4) Year Term  
 Expiring in 2011
- Vote for not more than Two (2)
- Frederick Karl Minturn  
 Charles Sabino  
 John W. Steinger
- AND, IN THE COUNTY OF WAYNE  
 Wayne County Community College District  
Millage Reauthorization Proposal

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Polling Locations for said Election are as follows:

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS**

PRECINCT	LOCATION
001	Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002	Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003	City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004	Kerby School, 285 Kerby Road
005	Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte

All polling place locations are handicapped accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 313-885-6600 prior to Election Day.

Matthew J. Tepper  
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

GPN: 10/25/07 & 11/01/07

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From the moment I was inspired as a college student to the most recent coaching victories of our team on the soccer field, I've known that teaching is the most fulfilling professional challenge I could meet. At Liggett, I have a genuine excitement for teaching mathematics and helping students fulfill their potential.

When I approached the field of teaching, I hoped to emulate those teachers and professors of mine who helped me feel empowered and confident. Math can be a daunting subject for many students, but I try to bring some fun and a great deal of patience and understanding into my classroom.

Being a positive role model in the classroom and on the soccer field is more than a job for me. When I teach or coach, I hope to translate some of my enthusiasm to the students in my classes or on the field. Whether in academics or athletics, problem solving and always rising to the next challenge are the goals I strive to help students reach. Teaching is truly a way of life for me.

Hearing positive feedback from the parents of students experiencing academic breakthroughs, receiving notes from college students thanking me for a good foundation, and having a wonderful group of professional peers here at Liggett are just a few of my favorite teaching moments.

As I was told by my mentor in college, using basic mathematics courses to develop an analytical mind will help every student in the future, whether they go into science, arts or the business world. It is one key to success that I am honored to be able to offer as a teacher.

I look forward to teaching your children at Liggett and helping them gain confidence both in the classroom and beyond.

-David Dwaihy  
*Grosse Pointe North Co-Valedictorian  
Kalamazoo College Alumnus*

## Join us for our upcoming events:

**Drop-In Open House**  
Thursday, November 8, 2007  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**All-School Open House**  
Sunday, November 11, 2007  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.



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# NEWS III

## PHOTOS Halloween

See how Halloween is decorated and celebrated throughout the Pointes. PAGE 24A

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**TEST DRIVE** By Greg Zyla

The all new 2008 Lexus LS 600h L hybrid luxury sedan has the power and performance of a V12 engine and the fuel economy of a V8. It was made to explore the outer reaches of performance, style and safety.

## The ultimate '08 LS 600h L Hybrid Sedan



**T**his week, we're driving the all-new 2008 Lexus LS 600h L hybrid luxury sedan — base price: \$104,000; price as tested: \$120,500.

This brand new Lexus provides the highest level of performance and technology we've experienced to date from the Lexus family. It offers high-end consumers a primary manifestation of luxury and opulence in an inconspicuous manner.

And we like that.

The new design rests somewhere between simplicity and elegance. The 600h L assumes the same design viewpoint that results in a strong family resemblance to its siblings, the LS 460, GS, IS and ES, LS.

With five inches more legroom, than the LS 460 and LS 600h L, standard features include a Lexus Navigation system with backup camera and



2008 Lexus LS 600h L hybrid

Bluetooth technology, voice activation, and XM factory-installed satellite radio with real-time traffic displays and dynamic route guidance.

For genuine theater level DVD/CD entertainment, the 600 line also features a standard 19-speaker 450-watt Mark

Levinson surround sound system. Portions of the navigation hard disk drive allow storing 2,000 digital songs and iPod or MP3 digital music player access.

As for hybrid value, the LS600h L is powered by an ultra quiet hybrid system that

happens to be the industry's most advanced gas-electric system. It combines a new 11.8 to 1 compression 5.0-liter gasoline V8, all-wheel-drive hybrid drivetrain, two strong electric motors and a large-capacity battery pack.

This combination provides

the 600h L with an unmatched balance of environmental efficiency and performance, and a whopping 438 combined gas-electric horsepower at your disposal. The result is zero to 60 mph in just 5.5 seconds, and mid-range acceleration that impresses us even more.

Thanks to the system's electric motor, which delivers maximum torque at mid range, it propels this 5,049-pound Lexus from 50 to 70 mph in just 3.5 seconds.

The LS 600h L also features a

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# The all-new 2008 Vue

The all-new 2008 Vue XR is the latest Saturn model to showcase the brand's new design character and intensified focus on driving characteristics.

The compact five-door crossover vehicle with European-inspired design and sporty ride and handling offers a broad range of models, powertrains and standard safety features.

The exterior exhibits Saturn's new European-inspired design cues, with a look that is clean, sculpted and distinctively sporty. Tight wheel-to-body relationships, large jeweled headlamps and a

sweeping upper profile contribute to the striking design.

At the core of the Vue's European driving character is a stiff, steel-body-frame integral structure. Ride and handling is augmented by one of three levels of specific spring-rate and wheel-travel tuning.

Front and rear stabilizer bars, MacPherson strut independent front suspension as well as independent multi-link rear suspension, along with a double-isolated engine cradle, all add to the specifically tuned ride.

Hydraulic power-assisted steering on V-6 models, standard four-wheel anti-lock disc

brakes, standard traction control and standard GM StabiliTrak electronic stability control provides outstanding vehicle control.

In addition to the handling features that help drivers avoid crashes, the all-new Vue helps protect occupants with its high-strength steel structure and a long list of standard crash protection safety features.

Dual-stage front seat air bags, front seat side thorax air bags and rollover capable head curtain air bags covering front and rear rows are standard on all models.

Visit saturn.com online.



PHOTO BY JOE POLIMENI OF TOYOTA

The 2008 Lexus LS 600h L hybrid debuted at the New York International Auto Show in 2006.

## TEST DRIVE: Lexus LS 600h

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dual-stage electronically controlled continuously variable transmission, resulting in impressive and seamless acceleration. The transmission includes eight-speed sequential settings, which are activated when the shift lever is in the "S" mode.

A three-mode hybrid switch allows the driver the most effective use of torque output and power. The driver can select "hybrid" (normal), "power," or "snow" options.

Additionally, and uncharacteristically when dealing with a "performance car" like this, Lexus did not forget the "clean air" and EPA concerns in the build process. The super low emission LS 600h L's preliminary 2008 EPA-estimated miles per gallon fuel efficiency rating of 20 city and 22 highway is notable. Its combined rating of 21 is equal to or better than the combined ratings of many V6

all-wheel-drive mid-sized luxury sedans.

Defined as a "full hybrid," LS600h L is capable of operating in electric only, low speed mode or with a combination of the gas engine and electric motor. In contrast, other hybrid technologies require constant gas operation and are not capable of running on electric power alone.

Cutting-edge active and passive safety technologies combine in the LS 600h L to create one integrated system. The list of optional conveniences include an Advanced Parking Guidance System to assist with parallel and back-in parking. This is an awesome option and needs to be experienced in person.

Your Lexus dealer will gladly explain all features. All LS 600h L sedans are equipped with eight standard air bags, and have a maximum of 11 air bags available through option packages — ours had all 11.

Our test Lexus came with a \$12,000 option called the executive class seating package II that includes all features of two other high feature packages and adds a power right rear seat that reclines up to 45 de-

grees with an upper-back recliner featuring a 17 degree angle adjustment.

More? How about a multi-function massage feature including an enhanced mode for the right-rear seat recliner that can be used separately or in conjunction with the seat heater and cooler? Of course, you'll enjoy all this with a separate rear console with wood-trimmed table and the rear-seat entertainment system featuring wireless headphones.

There's more, but space is limited.

Important numbers include a 121.7-inch wheelbase, 22.2-gallon fuel tank for premium fuel, and 11.7 cubic feet of cargo space.

Lexus LS 600h L is a top line, expensive, beautiful sedan. We rate it a 9.5 on a scale of one to 10.

Likes: Power, room, elegance, options, 11 air bag safety, reclining rear seats, DVD theater.

Dislikes: Rear console limits passenger seating to four, but I'm driving!

Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.



The all-new Saturn Vue XR model is remodeled for 2008.

## Get ready for winter car care

AAA Michigan recommends drivers carry the following items in their vehicle during the winter months:

- ◆ Ice scraper and brush
- ◆ Coffee can furnace
- ◆ Boots, gloves, hat
- ◆ Tools and flashlight
- ◆ Tire traction material such as sand or cat litter
- ◆ Food and blanket
- ◆ Jumper cables
- ◆ First aid kit

- ◆ Cell phone
  - ◆ Flares or reflective triangle
  - ◆ Shovel
- As the temperature drops, so does the cranking power of a car's battery.

At 32 degrees, a battery has 15 percent less starting power than it does at 80 degrees; at 0 degrees, it has 35 percent less power; at minus 20 degrees it has less than half the cranking power, while the engine needs

three and one-half times the power to start.

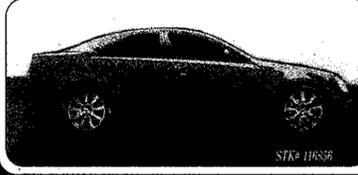
Faulty batteries cause more car starting problems than any other factor. Turn off all unnecessary lights and accessories, if vehicle starts are sluggish.

Batteries don't require regular fluid checks, but it is wise to inspect the battery case and cables for loose fits and/or damage.

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**Final Price \$36,290**



\$10,200  
in Savings

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**2007 Cadillac SRX Demo**



M.S.R.P. \$47,915  
G.M.S. \$40,830  
- \$3,500 in REBATES  
**Final Price \$37,350**

\$10,585  
in Savings

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**2007 Cadillac Escalade AWD Demo**



M.S.R.P. \$65,860  
G.M.S. \$56,356  
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in Savings

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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## City of Grosse Pointe

### A couple of drifts

Police arrested two Detroit men, a 37-year-old and 33-year-old, following a traffic stop on Mack at 2:45 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 21.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it drift from lane to lane. When questioning the 37-year-old driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. After failing field sobriety tests, the man registered a .23 on a breath test. A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check on both men revealed they were wanted on various warrants and the driver had 18 driver's license suspensions.

The passenger was held for pick up by Detroit police. The driver was also cited for having open intoxicants in a vehicle, no proof of insurance and no registration.

The vehicle was impounded.

—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

### High school larceny

Police are investigating the theft of a movie projector, a mounting unit and miscellaneous cables from the New Science Center building at Grosse Pointe South High School reported at 9:10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 22.

Police said there were no signs of forced entry. School administrators said several hundred students were in the building over the weekend taking a college preparation test. The equipment is valued at \$885.

### Needs a spare

A 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man was arrested for drunken driving after being detained at a gas station at Mack and Moross at 2:01 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 21.

Police followed the vehicle to the gas station after observing it travel on two passenger-side flat tires. When police questioned the driver, they suspected he was intoxicated as they detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. After failing field sobriety tests, the man refused a breath test.

His vehicle was impounded. He later agreed to a breath test at the police station and registered a .20.

### Scammed

Police are investigating the theft of \$800 from a woman's purse and coat reported at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

Police said the victim, who lives in the 300 block of Chalfonte, allowed the suspect into the basement of the house to inspect the plumbing. The suspect asked the victim to come down into the basement and excused himself to retrieve some equipment. That is when police believe he relieved the victim of her money. He then fled the scene.

The man is described as white, 6 feet 2 inches tall, with short hair and in his mid-30s.

—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

### Pinched from porch

Police are investigating the theft of a 15" black Huffy mountain bike taken from the porch of a house in the 1300 block of Wayburn. The incident occurred between 2:30 and 8 a.m. Friday, Oct. 19.

### Chasing suspects

At 3:05 p.m. on Sunday, Oct.

21, police officers chased two males suspected of stealing an aluminum rake from a home in the 1000 block of Wayburn. During the chase, the police recovered the item, which was dropped by one of the suspects.

### Beyond party favors

At 12:25 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 21, unknown persons stole three cell phones, a Grosse Pointe North High School varsity jacket and keys to a Pontiac G6 during an open party at a house in the 1000 block of Maryland.

Guests observed two males wearing black hooded sweat-shirts at the scene. Police are investigating.

### Home invasion

Sometime between 11:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 19, and 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 20, a home in the 15000 block of Windmill Pointe Dr., was entered and a men's Breitling watch and a small amount of cash was stolen. Police arrested a 22-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male at the scene.

### Road rage

At 1:28 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, a 37-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male became violent after being pulled over by police. During the arrest, he kicked out the scout car window and later damaged the cell block at the police station.

### Bike thieves found

At 11:46 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, police officers investigated and detained two Grosse Pointe Park juveniles suspected of stealing a bike from a house in the 1100 block of Balfour.

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

## Grosse Pointe Shores

### Fugitive arrest

A 29-year-old Detroit man was arrested following a traffic stop on Vernier at 11:31 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 21.

Police stopped the vehicle for having an expired license plate. A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the driver was wanted on a Wayne County warrant.

He was released after posting bond.

### Slow it down

Police arrested a 26-year-old Clinton Township man for drunken driving following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 11:41 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding. When questioning the driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. After failing field sobriety tests, the man registered a .16 on a breath test.

His vehicle was impounded.

### Wrong way

A 27-year-old Sterling Heights man was arrested for drunken driving following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 2:43 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it traveling the wrong way on Lakeshore. When questioning the driver, police suspected he was intoxicated based on his disoriented manner. After failing field sobriety tests, the man refused a breath test.

His vehicle was impounded. At the police station, the man agreed to a breath test and registered a .23.

### Warrant arrest

Police arrested a 19-year-old Roseville man following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 12:04 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

Police stopped the vehicle for having a defective license plate light. A LEIN check of the driver revealed he had a suspended driver's license and was wanted on a Macomb County warrant.

He was held for pick up and his vehicle was released to a licensed passenger.

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

## Grosse Pointe Woods

### It's that time of year

After hearing a loud bang outside his home at 12:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, a 56-year-old Hawthorne resident found the windshield of his car had been shattered.

Police found a smashed pumpkin in the street. They continue to investigate.

### Armed robbery

Police received a report of an armed robbery in progress at a shop on Mack between Lochmoor and Country Club at 3:34 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

By the time police arrived, the suspect had left the shop and was last seen going through the alley.

Police pursued the suspect and found him crouched behind a car on Lochmoor. No weapon was found. The suspect was arrested.

### Open season on tires

Police responded to two reports of tire theft on Saturday, Oct. 20; one on Anita and the other on Brys.

The Anita resident notified police that two fires on both of his vehicles were removed sometime between 12:15 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

The owner's son reported

seeing a silver Ford pickup truck driving slowly past the cars, when he came home around midnight.

Landscape blocks were used to prop up the cars after the tires were removed.

The Brys resident told police that all four tires had been removed from a 2006 Chevrolet Impala sometime between 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19 and 7:45 a.m. the next morning.

Landscape blocks were again used to support the vehicle.

A neighbor reported that his dogs had started barking around midnight, but he did not check to see what the dogs were barking about.

### Malicious destruction

The owner of a 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee reported to police the hood of his car had been scratched while it was parked in a church parking lot on Morningside.

He was attending a church function on Friday, Oct. 19 be-

tween 5:15 and 9 p.m. and the car was parked in the lot. Police believe a key was used to make the scratch.

They continue to investigate.

### A very friendly dog

On Friday, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m., a resident of Old Eight Mile reported seeing someone carrying a duffel bag jump his neighbor's fence and get into a tan mini van parked nearby.

The van sped off when the neighbor approached it.

When police arrived on the scene, they checked the neighbor's house and found the back door unlocked. Upon returning home, the homeowner told police that several guns and knives and computer were missing.

A dog the owner kept in the backyard did not prove to be a deterrent.

The detective bureau is investigating.

See CRIMES, page 25A

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST FOR THE GENERAL CITY ELECTION AND REGULAR ELECTION IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods and the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores that a Public Accuracy Test will be conducted at your city/township clerk's office on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2007 AT 2:00 P.M.**, for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the tabulating equipment and programs which will be used to tabulate voted ballots for the **GENERAL CITY ELECTIONS AND REGULAR ELECTION OF THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM** to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

Interested parties are invited to attend.

For further information contact:

JANE BLAHUT CITY CLERK 313-822-6200	MATTHEW J. TEPPER CITY CLERK 313-885-6600
JULIE E. ARTHURS CITY CLERK 313-885-5800	LISA HATHAWAY CITY CLERK 313-343-2440
ROBERT GRAZIANI TOWNSHIP CLERK 313-884-0234	

GPN: 10/25/07

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 1, 2007**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL:** All Councilpersons were present.

**MOTIONS PASSED**

- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held September 17, 2007.
- To Schedule a Town Hall Meeting on October 22, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. to hear public comment on a proposal to redevelop Salter Park by Bertakis Development.
- To adjourn to the Budget Workshop Session.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

**RESOLUTION PASSED**

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 81843 through 81969 in the amount of \$137,158.39 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) approve payment to AAA Pipe Cleaning Corp. in the amount of \$15,574.63 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2007 Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Project. (3) approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$5,934.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of August 2007.
- To approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$159,668.00 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the 4th quarter of FY2007.
- To approve payment in the amount of \$52,341.00 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain principal and interest payment on the 1999 Series Bond.
- To approve the participation resolution entering into the Interlocal Governmental Agreement for the County of Macomb Enforcement Team (COMET).

**Kenneth A. Poynter,**  
Mayor

**Mickey D. Todd,**  
City Clerk

Published: GPN, October 25, 2007

**NOTICE OF ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL CITY ELECTIONS AND REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION IN THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007**

Registered qualified electors in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods and Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County, who expect to be absent from the city or township or who are confined to home or hospital by illness or disability or are 60 years of age or more, may now apply for absent voter's ballots. **NO SUCH REGULAR APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER 2:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, November 3, 2007.** Applications can be made prior to such time at the Municipal Offices.

The offices of the City Clerks of Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods and Township of Grosse Pointe will be open during normal business hours Monday thru Friday of each week. All offices will be open on Saturday, November 3, 2007 from 9:00 until 2:00 p.m. for absent voter's ballot.

**HOWEVER, ANYONE WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT MAY DO SO IN THEIR CITY/TOWNSHIP OFFICES ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007 UNTIL 4:00 P.M.**

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City of Grosse Pointe Farms  
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**JANE BLAHUT**  
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City of Grosse Pointe Woods  
343.2440

**ROBERT GRAZIANI**  
Township Clerk  
Township of Grosse Pointe  
884-0234

GPN: 10/25/07

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council adopted the following ordinance at its meeting held on Monday, October 10, 2007. The ordinance was adopted in accordance with the City Charter and the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, MCL125-3401, will become effective November 4, 2007, and is hereby published in summary:

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CODE FOR THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT INCLUDED THEREIN; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF AMENDING THE CODE; AND PROVIDING WHEN THE CODE AND THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.**

The ordinance is available for inspection or purchase from the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or [www.gpwwmi.us](http://www.gpwwmi.us).

**Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC**  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 10/25/2007

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

November 13, 2007	6:00 p.m.	City of Grosse Pointe Farms 90 Kerby Road Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236-3100 (313) 885-6600
January 8, 2008	6:00 p.m.	City of Grosse Pointe Woods 20025 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 (313) 343-2440
March 11, 2008	6:00 p.m.	Village of Grosse Pointe Shores 795 Lake Shore Road Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236 (313) 881-6565
May 13, 2008	6:00 p.m.	City of Harper Woods 19617 Harper Avenue Harper Woods, MI 48225 (313) 343-2500

For more information, please contact our General Counsel:

**John J. Gillooly**  
Garan Lucow Miller, P.C.  
1000 Woodbridge Street  
Detroit, MI 48207  
(313) 446-5501



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# Fun festive fall finds

From the simple to the elaborate, Grosse Pointers from one end to the other display their passion for autumn and the festivities that go with it. Homeowners have dressed up their homes with colorful mums and decorative cabbage; scarecrows, corn stalks and bales of hay. Halloween-inspired themes abound with caskets and tombstones, ghosts and goblins, and witches and black cats. Check out these photos of neighbors' beautiful — sometimes gruesome — creative and fun displays of fall.

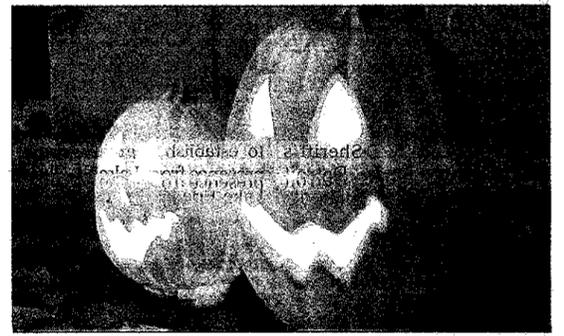


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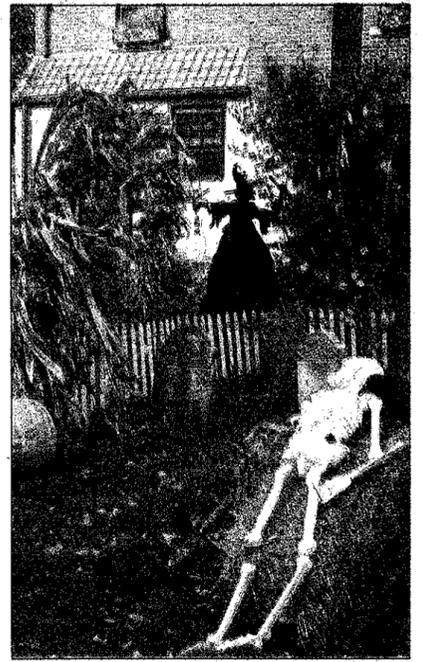


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PHOTO BY LUKE KIRTLEY

## Drive thru

Police extracted a Chrysler Jeep that had crashed into the dining room of a house in the 200 block of Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20. Police suspected a damaged van at a nearby intersection was involved in the accident and cited the van's driver for careless driving. Only minor injuries were reported. Both vehicles were impounded. Luke Kirtley, a 10-year-old shutterbug, heard the crash. He grabbed his camera and ran down the block to capture this very timely and newsworthy photograph. Good job to a young Jimmy Olsen.

## CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# Almeranti promoted

The City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department has promoted public safety officer Michael Almeranti to the rank of sergeant. The 6-year veteran of the department will assume supervisory duties on the night shift. Almeranti was sworn in at a brief ceremony at city hall. Public Safety Director James Fox said, "Sgt. Almeranti is a highly decorated officer, who has displayed the characteristics expected of all our officers. (He) has twice been named as the Officer of the Year in our department and has provided exemplary service to the citizens of Grosse Pointe." Almeranti graduated from Wayne State University with a degree in criminal justice. He graduated first in his fire academy class and was instrumental in starting Grosse Pointe's first canine program. Sgt. Almeranti and his canine, Raleigh, have become well known in the community and have been very successful in combatting drug dealers and users, Fox said.

## Rebates coming

Rebates are an important marketing tool for selling merchandise. Much like a coupon, rebates often bring people into stores to shop.

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  - ◆ Fill out the form clearly and completely. It could be a small form, so make sure it's legible.
  - ◆ Do not wait until right before the deadline to submit. If you've done something in error with the submission, you'll need some time to correct the mistake.
  - ◆ Be patient. A rebate can take up to 12 weeks to come.
- If you are dissatisfied with any rebate offer, file a complaint with your state's attorney general or the Federal Trade Commission at [ftc.gov](http://ftc.gov).

## CRIME: Shotgun's no solution

Continued from page 23A

### But they had a key

A 45-year old Manchester resident may face attempted felony assault charges for pointing a shotgun at two building contractors.

The contractors told police that while in the process of inspecting the home at the request of a mortgage broker at 4 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19, the homeowner returned. The contractors told police they used the broker's key to enter the home.

After telling the contractors to leave the house, the homeowner went into a bedroom and returned with a shotgun.

The contractors said they were already outside the house when the resident appeared with the shotgun.

Two reports of the incident were filed, one by the resident, the other by the contractors.

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

# Marine patrol improvements

A partnership established four years ago between the Wayne County Sheriff's Department and Detroit Wayne County Port Authority has resulted in significant improvements to marine patrols and protection along Wayne County's international border, officials announced recently.

In 2004, the Sheriff's Department and the Port Authority began working together to apply for federal Homeland Security Agency grants.

Since the partnership was formed, the Port Authority has received more than \$3 million in marine grants, at least half of which has been allocated to the Sheriff's Marine Unit for the purchase new boats and equipment.

Sheriff Warren Evans recently received word of a new \$450,000 allocation, which will enable the unit to purchase four new vessels, new motors for its existing boats, night vision technology as well as new and improved equipment for the Marine Unit's Dive Team and Special Response Team including 40 gas masks.

"Adding these additional vessels to our fleet will enable us to establish a greater marine presence from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie as well as along the industrial areas of the Rouge River," Evans said. "With as many critical assets as we have along our 32-miles of international waterway, this equipment is critical for our officers to have."

Detroit Wayne County Port Authority Executive Director Curtis Hertel said that Department of Homeland Security funds coming to the Port of Detroit have increased significantly, since the new partnership with the sheriff's office was established to augment the patrols conducted by the US Coast Guard.

"This collaboration has helped us leverage more federal funds to get the added patrols we need to protect our international waters," Hertel said.

"Through these grants, we have doubled the number of patrol capabilities and lengthened the season for patrols with new, state-of-the-art, closed-cabin vessels," he said.

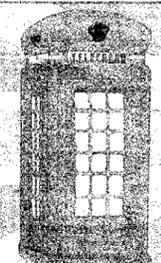
The Detroit River sees more than 8,000 visits annually from both foreign and domestic vessels.

The Port of Detroit sees about 17 million tons of cargo unloaded at its docks annually.

"Any disruption to commercial navigation along the Detroit River could yield dis-

astrous effects on our regional and national economy," Hertel said.

"We believe that an increased number of Wayne County Sheriff patrols on the water not only helps with response time to terrorist incidents, but deters potential for such incidents simply through their visibility," he said.



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**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 6, 2007 General Election has been scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Office of the City Clerk at 19617 Harper Ave., Harper Woods, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by the law.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
**Mickey D. Todd,**  
CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED: October 25, 2007  
POSTED: October 1, 2007

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
NOTICE  
AUCTION OF IMPOUNDED/ABANDONED VEHICLES**

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on November 11, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

2003 Oldsmobile Alero	1G8NL52E33C182122
2006 Suzuki Motor Cycle	JS1GN7DA962114484
1980 Buick Park Avenue	4X69XAH416746
1970 Buick LeSabre	454390H282362
1990 Chevrolet Lumina	2G1WN54T6L9183226
1998 Mazda Protégé	JM1BC141XW0202409
1989 Dodge Caravan	1B4FK5450KX692290
1990 Mercury Marquis	2MECM74P51X301742
1983 Buick LeSabre	1G4AP37Y4DX455780
1992 Oldsmobile Cutlass	1G3WH14T1ND334549
1998 Mercury Sable	1MELM50U5PG609067

The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to the auction, at Woods Towing. Payment by cash or certified check only. Cars listed may be pulled or released prior to the auction by the Harper Woods Police Department.

Sgt. Robert Bensinger  
Traffic Safety Section

POSTED: October 22, 2007  
PUBLISHED: October 25, 2007



The Mall at Partidge Creek celebrated its grand opening in Clinton Township Oct. 18. The 640,000-square-foot open-air mall features approximately 90 stores and restaurants. At left, Parisian store manager Jackie McDougall on opening night.

# New mall opens



Above, Ken Meade of Meade Lexus stands near one of several cars on display at The Mall of Partidge Creek. Meade partnered with the mall to display the new cars. At right, attendees of the Oct. 17 charity preview stroll through the mall, located at Romeo Plank and Hall Road in Clinton Township.

At right, Robert S. Taubman, chairman, president and CEO of Taubman Centers Inc., discusses the new mall with members of the media at a preview Oct. 17.

PHOTOS BY PETER J. BIRKNER



**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN. Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on November 6, 2007 from 7:00 A.M. to 8 P.M. at which time the following offices will be voted upon:

MAYOR (1) Two Year Term - Expires 11/09/09  
CITY COUNCIL (3) Four Year Terms - Expires 11/14/11

THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM  
Members of the Board of Education (2) Four Year Terms - Expires 11/31/11

**WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
MILLAGE REAUTHORIZATION PROPOSAL**

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the college District for a period of ten (10) years, 2011 to 2020, inclusive, as new additional millage replacing a prior millage authorization approved by the electors which shall expire with the 2010 levy, to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$51,839,157 when first levied in 2011.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF TREASURER**

I, RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of August 13, 2007 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the county of Wayne as follows:

**WAYNE COUNTY  
Wayne County, Michigan**

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Year Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2009
Wayne County Jail	August 6, 2002	1 mill	2010
Wayne County Parks	August 2, 2005	0.25 mills	2010
Wayne County	November 3, 1998	1 mill	Indefinitely
Community College	November 6, 2001	1.5 mills	2010

School Districts	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Year Increase Effective
Grosse Pointe Schools	February, 2005	16.7875 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
	February, 2005	2.2125 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
	March, 2004	1 mill	2010
	February, 2005	8.0784 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
Harper Woods School District	June, 1995	18 mills	2014 (non-homestead only)

Local Unit	Voted Increase	Years Inclusive
City of Harper Woods	1995 \$5.0 million general obligation unlimited	1995 - 2011
City of Harper Woods	1998 \$6.5 million general obligation unlimited	1999 - 2014

The Election will be conducted at the following places:  
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City of Harper Woods  
**Mickey D. Todd,**  
 City Clerk

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**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007  
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE**

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Grosse Pointe, notice is hereby given that a general election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, MI on Tuesday, November 6, 2007 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

- 1 MAYOR (Two-year term)
- 3 COUNCIL MEMBERS (Four-year term)
- 1 MUNICIPAL JUDGE (Four-year term)
- 2 GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS (Four-year term)

The following proposal shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Grosse Pointe at the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2007:

**WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
MILLAGE REAUTHORIZATION PROPOSAL**

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2011 to 2020, inclusive, as new additional millage replacing a prior millage authorization approved by the electors which shall expire with the 2010 levy, to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$51,839,157 when first levied in 2011.

Yes No

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following statement has been received from the Treasurer of Wayne County as to previously voted increases in the constitutional tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the Community College District, to wit:

"I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of August 13, 2007 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:"

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Each person voting at the election must be:  
 (a) A citizen of the United State of America over eighteen (18) years of age  
 (b) A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides  
 (c) Every Michigan voter who offers to vote at the polls must show picture identification or sign an affidavit attesting that he or she is not in possession of picture identification.

All polling locations are handicap accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternate format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's office prior to Election Day. The places of voting for the general election to be held November 6, 2007 will be as follows:

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**Julie E. Arthurs**  
 City Clerk

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FAMILY DAZE By Debbie Farmer

# Holiday inflatables are full of hot air



the whole Halloween inflatable movement is the "ghost, witch, goblin in a snow globe" idea.

Yes, you read, "snow globe." I mean, what's next? The Great Pumpkin sitting on a sleigh wearing a Santa hat? Or reindeers carved onto jack-o'-lanterns? Or kids dressed as elves and trick-or-treating for candy canes? Come on people, it's either Halloween or Christmas. Pick one!

The intriguing thing about inflatable decorations is that, much like video games and Courtney Love, each year they get more sophisticated. I mean, what probably started out as a festive Mylar balloon tied to a mailbox has morphed into a nationwide decorating movement. It's fascinating really.

What's also intriguing is that for some people, yard inflatables are not just decorations, they're a way of life. Once they cross the line, there's no turning back.

Take, for instance, my friend Barb, who bought a modest three-foot pumpkin starter inflatable. The next day a 7-foot mummy turned up in her neighbor's yard. Barb countered with a 10-foot pumpkin with three ghosts on top.

The neighbors down the street added a 15-foot Dracula riding a Harley. And so on.

I'm not going to say a word about what I think about all this, I'll just say that I have only one Halloween decoration strewn about in my yard: cobwebs.

OK, so maybe they're not quite as impressive as a giant Grim Reaper, but, hey, they're more realistic and, well, at least at my house, free.

Plus, the best part of all: they never have to fit back inside a box.

Debbie Farmer is a humorist and a mother of two kids, holding down the fort in California. She can be reached at familydaze.com.

I don't know about you, but this fall I've noticed an upgrade in Halloween decorations.

If you take a look around your block I bet you'll see that there's not the usual ho-hum Styrofoam tombstones and lit jack-o'-lanterns. Instead, there are nylon inflatable bats and monsters and witches.

Yes, it's true. Right this minute people all over the country are collectively breaking out the generators and air pumps to blow up giant spiders and witches and various other Halloweenish-type things.

Now, this might just be my bad attitude, but it seems there are many ways to add holiday cheer to your yard, and having a 10-foot Grim Reaper wafting on your front lawn isn't one of them. Which brings me to the first and most obvious question, "Why do otherwise sane and rational people do this?"

I can answer that in three little words: I. Don't. Know.

Then there's the second, and much more answerable question, "Where in the heck do you buy all of these inflatables?"

I can also answer that in three simple words: On. The. Internet.

You just Google "giant blow up stuff" or something like that, and voila! You will be bombarded with bazillions of Web sites specializing in nylon inflatable decorations.

And, since I have heaps of curiosity and not much else going on in my life, of course I checked out the sites. My personal favorite was a company offering a "realistic" 20-foot inflatable Frankenstein on sale.

Now I ask you, what part of a big green monster made from random body parts, with neck bolts and metal teeth, and has to be plugged in and blown up falls into the category of realistic? Oh, plueeeze. What is THAT about?

And, while we're talking about unrealistic, another thing that confuses me about

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# Maison waives hearing

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The embezzlement case against former Grosse Pointe Woods Comptroller Clifford Maison is headed for Wayne County Circuit Court.

Maison waived his right to a preliminary hearing in Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Court on Wednesday, Oct. 17, in front of Municipal Judge Carl Jarboe.

He is expected to be arraigned in circuit court Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Maison is charged by the Wayne County Prosecutors Office with using gasoline from the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Works gas pumps in his personal vehicle and with filing false mileage reports.

Both charges are felonies and carry penalties of up to 10 years in prison.

Upon questioning by Jarboe, Maison said he understood he was waiving his right to a preliminary hearing and he concurred with moving the case to Wayne County Circuit Court.

Maison would not com-

ment after his hearing, but his lawyer, Mark Haidar, said, "I'm confident that what I see as a purely political matter will turn into what it should be and Mr. Maison will be found innocent."

The charges stem from an investigation by city and state officials following reports that Maison was seen using the city gas pumps after his city car and gas privileges were terminated in a cost cutting move by the council in November, 2006.

In March, 2007, city officials began reviewing video tapes of the yard going back to November, 2006.

The tapes revealed Maison had used the pumps several times, including on a Saturday and other times when the yard was officially closed.

They also show him filling not only his privately owned car with gas, but on one occasion, returning 10 minutes later to fill up another vehicle.

Maison was placed on administrative leave on March 15 and he tendered his resignation the following day.

On March 19, the city au-

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MARK HAIDAR,  
Attorney

thorized a forensic audit of Maison's financial dealings with the city and the files were turned over to Michigan State Police for investigation the day after.

The Michigan State Police have been handling the case, as Grosse Pointe Woods city officials cited a possible conflict of interest.

Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Judge Lynne Pierce recused herself from the case and the arraignment and hearing was moved to Grosse Pointe Park.

Maison, 54, was employed by Grosse Pointe Woods for 19 years and was earning \$93,000 a year at the time of his resignation.

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Making a **Halloween costume** doesn't have to be scary — or expensive. Often reusable clothing items from discount stores are great starter pieces for a creative character.

## Clever costumes

By Debra Pascoe  
Special Writer

Your 4-year-old son wants to be the pink Power Ranger and the sarcastic 8-year-old declares a toilet is a suitable costume for the elementary school parade.

What do you do? First, be glad the children have a costume idea and second, decide if you have the cash to buy or the time to create one.

While the task may sound daunting — especially with only a few days before the big event, spray adhesive, a dip into the give-away bag and a trip to the craft store can yield a costume fit for any Halloween reveler.

Grosse Pointe Park resident Jenny Elliott rarely took the easy way out when it came to creating costumes for her two children, who are now grownups. But she certainly knows how to fashion a winner out of simple and inexpensive items.

And being a professional seamstress, The Stitch Witch,



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Nicolas Chown, left and his twin brother, Andrew, both 5-years-old, are ready for Halloween having carved their pumpkins and chosen their costumes, each with black masks.

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# Child Help benefit

The artwork of the late Margery Ryerson was brought to the Country Club of Detroit to benefit the Greater Detroit Chapter of Child Help. From left, Diane Jensen of Jensen Fine Arts of Boston who brought in the art with the assistance of Joe Kaiser, Maureen Kaiser, Kathy and Paul Schweitzer.

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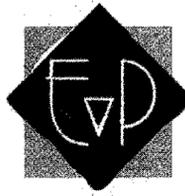
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## County award goes to historical society

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society received the County Commissioners' Award from the Wayne County Council for the Arts, History and Humanities.

The society was recognized for its creativity in programming, new Web site (gphistorical.org) and online exhibits, and its newsletter, the Moorings. The award was presented during an Oct. 4 ceremony at the Henry Ford Centennial Library.

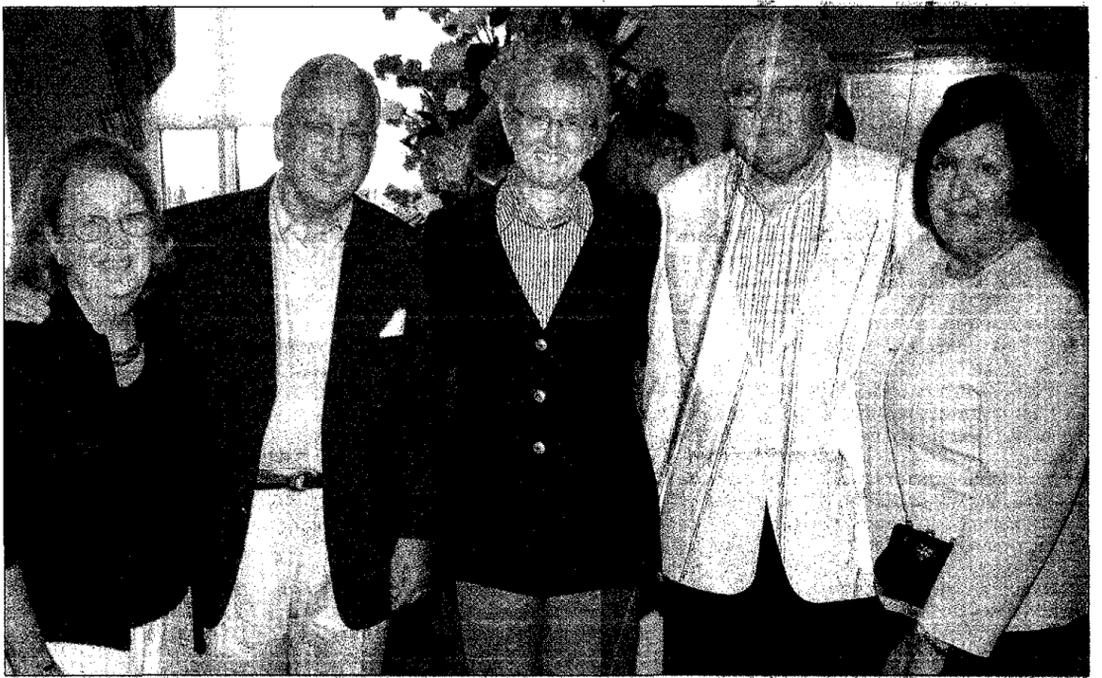
Society president Stuart Grigg of Grosse Pointe accepted the award on behalf of the board, staff and members. Also present were board members Penny Soby, Joe Katulic, do-

cent Nancy Pacitto and curator Suzy Berschback.

The Web site designer is Grosse Pointe city resident, Jay Hunter. The Moorings editor is Farms resident, Ann Marie Aliotta.

"Last year, we went through a strategic planning process at the historical society and found universal agreement across our stakeholders that access to our collections and information is our number one goal," Grigg said. "This award recognizes that we are achieving that goal and inspires us to do even more."

For more information, call (313) 884-7010.



Grosse Pointe Historical Society Board President Stuart Grigg accepts the County Commissioners' Award from the Wayne County Council for the Arts, History and Humanities.

## Children's Home of Detroit receives grant

Children's Home of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Woods received a \$50,000 grant to implement a family-centered therapy program for children with serious behavior problems.

The Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan's Detroit Auto Dealers Association Charitable Foundation Fund, which awarded grants totaling \$350,000 to 12 charities, including the Children's Home of Detroit. The foundation supports southeast Michigan nonprofit organizations whose programs and activities assist children and young people.

The fund is supported by proceeds from the North American International Auto Show Charity Preview. Since 1999, it has joined 11 children's charities that benefit from the show as an additional way for association members to support programs and activities for children and young people.

In addition, to meet future needs, proceeds from the charity preview are placed in an endowment with the community foundation to assure support for children's programs.

The is a permanent community endowment is built by gifts from individuals and organizations.

## 10th anniversary celebration

More than \$350,000 was raised to support research and treatment at Josephine Ford Cancer Center during the 10th anniversary celebration held recently at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Attending the event, from left, are Happy and Bill Rands of the City of Grosse Pointe, Nancy Schlichting of Bloomfield Hills, president and CEO of Henry Ford Health System, Gail and Lois Warden of the City of Grosse Pointe.



## Trail gardens award

Garden Club of Michigan took first place in the Trail Gardens Awards with the 2007 theme "Captivating Combinations." The club was represented by Anne Rahm and Anne Paddock. Second place was given to Grosse Pointe Park Garden Club represented by Marcia Geible. The third place winner was Junior League Gardeners represented by Elizabeth Klein. The guest speaker for the Sept. 21 tea, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center was Don Schulte. Pictured from left, Geible, Rahm, Paddock and Klein.

## PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Timothy Stevens of Grosse Pointe City made the Dean's List at Albion College for the spring semester. He is the son of Lee and Barbara Stevens and a Grosse Pointe South High School graduate.

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

Scott Graser Stieber of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Brian Still of Grosse Pointe Woods made the Dean's List at Albion College for the spring semester. He is the son of Judith Still and a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

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

Megan Lynn Switaliski of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

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

Alexander Mark Tasspoulos of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

Thomas Gerard Tavery of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring semester.

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

## Class of 1997 has Nov. 24 reunion

Grosse Pointe North Class of 1997 meets for a reunion from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 24. The event will be held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, visit [gpn1997@gmail.com](mailto:gpn1997@gmail.com).

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## 4B | HEALTH

CAREGIVING By Terri Murphy

# Creating a legacy of memories



## Pull out a camera

When my father passed away, I realized I had no pictures of him with my youngest daughter. Unfortunately it was too late.

Photographs and videos are memories that can be cherished forever. Take a minute now to think about pictures you might cherish that you do not already have.

At your next gathering, pull out a video camera and turn it on. Ask your parents questions about their lives, childhood, how they met, how you were as a child, what they remember most, your first words and other fond memories. It is also nice to hear someone's voice long after they're gone.

Make an opportunity to honor your parents. Schedule a dinner, invite family and close friends and ask each person to say a few words.

## Talk from your heart

Once a loved one has passed, it's too late to tell them

how much you love and appreciate them and what they have done for you throughout your life. All too often in this fast paced world, we take things for granted. Many families assume they love each other, even though it is rarely spoken. Make sure that you say what is in your heart before it is too late.

"I love you" are powerful words that need to be said and heard by everyone.

Having said this, you do not need to rush out and spill your guts.

Rather, wait for an appropriate occasion such as a family gathering, birthday, anniversary or holiday like mother's or father's day.

Make an opportunity to honor your parents.

Schedule a dinner, invite family and close friends and ask each person to say a few words.

Hold a family "roast" on a birthday or anniversary and share fond memories and humorous stories. Another nice touch is to present a letter of fond memories as a gift.

## Ask questions

People often say they have heard a particular story a hundred times. When it comes time to repeat it, they are at a loss for words.

Write it down or videotape your parent delivering a favorite story and capture expressions and mannerisms. Also, as in the case of my parents, do you look at their wedding album without a clue as to who anyone is?

Rather than trying to recall if someone is a family member, friend or neighbor, go through the album with your parent and write down peoples' names and how your parents know them.

## Other questions

◆ What is something that they always wanted to do, but didn't?

◆ Why?

◆ What is something specific that they remember doing as children.

◆ Who were their best friends at different stages of their lives.

Think of questions that you are most interested.

Create a family tree with your parents. (Trust me; it is much easier to do this with the input of someone that knows firsthand.) Take a trip down memory lane. Talking about fond memories can be great therapy. Ask them about where they grew up, where they went to school and the different places they lived. Ask them how they met, what they remember about dating and most important, how dad proposed and if mom said "yes" the first

time.

If you are like most people, you will be astonished as to how little you know.

And don't forget to document it so that you and future generations can enjoy their stories.

Share your thoughts and feelings while you can, capture memories on film and on paper and create a legacy that can live on long after your loved one passes away.

Do not take life for granted. Start capturing special memories today and make every family celebration count. Also, be prepared for some good laughs and tears of joy and sorrow.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Ellen Brayton

# Family Center offers knowledge, support



non-profit organization located in the Barnes Early Childhood Center and was founded on the premise that all families benefit from knowledge, connections and support.

Our goal is to be a center for parents and caregivers of all kinds — to help navigate the challenges of raising children in today's busy world. The Family Center's mission is to promote a deeper understanding of the role of parents and

others in helping children become competent and caring community members. We do this by providing activities and education for families in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

## Upcoming programs

◆ Promoting Healthy Independence, 7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1 in the Grosse Pointe South auditorium. This one night "class" for parents aids them in the transi-

tion to college.

The program was so popular last year we are doing it again this year in partnership with the Grosse Pointe South and North High School's clubs and middle school PTOs. The program is free and no pre-registration is required.

◆ Every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 9 to 11 a.m. beginning Tuesday, Nov. 6: Play Central — a weekly drop in program that

allows preschool children to exercise and caregivers to socialize. The cost is \$3 per visit and no pre-registration needed. Scholarships are available.

◆ Getting Ready for Kindergarten, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at Barnes Early Childhood Center.

This annual program is offered by teachers at Barnes Elementary School and is extremely popular and informative. The cost is \$5 and pre-registration is requested.

◆ The third Wednesday of the month from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Jan. 16 at the Harper Woods library.

This series of workshops for parents in partnership with St. John Hospital pediatricians includes such topics as soothing your baby, immunizations, avoiding childhood obesity by using the "OWL program" (Optimal Weight for Life), and understanding your child's temperament. Registration will be required and more information will be forthcoming.

◆ "Kids Are Worth It" parenting symposium from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8, at Grosse Pointe South. National best selling author Barbara Coloroso is the keynote speaker. This

event gets bigger and better every year.

It starts early and ends early so busy parents can learn strategies, tips, socialize with other parents and get on with their day.

Breakout sessions include: How to keep your marriage alive during the parenting years; the bully, the bullied & the bystander; early warning signs of autism, ADHD and learning disabilities; cognitive development in the early years; moodiness; how to raise "strong girls," and a program for fathers — "My Hero My Dad." Breakfast treats as well as books and tables of local resources will be available in between breakout sessions.

Most programs are taped and available at the Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods libraries in the family section.

Don't forget to visit our Web site for more information on upcoming programs and call if you are looking for referrals for area therapists.

Send questions to: [Info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:Info@familycenterweb.org), Mary Ellen Brayton, Co-director The Family Center, 20090 Morningside Dr., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

To volunteer or contribute, visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) or call (313) 432-3832.

# Promoting healthy independence

Letting go of children is one of the hardest things parents have to do. But it's necessary to their healthy growth and development.

To help local moms and dads get through this demanding phase of parenthood, the Family Center and parent groups of Grosse Pointe's public high and middle schools have joined together to present a program with some helpful, practical tips and suggestions.

"Promoting Healthy Independence," a one-night "class" for middle school and

high school parents, will take place from 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1, at the Grosse Pointe South Auditorium.

It is open to the public and free of charge.

As kids go off to different stages of their lives, moving from middle school to high school, and high school to college, they are often faced with a myriad of choices and challenges.

This program will help give parents provide their children with the skills they need to successfully navigate toward healthy independence.

Experts will address:

◆ Building personal responsibility

◆ Redefining the role as parent

◆ "Supporting" without "doing"

◆ Effective time management

◆ Healthy risk taking

◆ Developing resiliency

◆ Peer savvy

◆ Money management

◆ Isolation through technology

◆ Substance use

The panel consists of three local professionals:

◆ Fran Carnaghi — former Grosse Pointe South High School counselor

◆ Mary Beth Garvey — local therapist

◆ Melissa Pierce — Grosse Pointe North counselor

This program is sponsored by The Family Center and the Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South, the Grosse Pointe North Parents' Club and Norsemoms, the Pierce PTO, Brownell PTO, and Parcels PTO.

For more information, call center at (313) 432-3832, or visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org).

# American Lung Association Ball will honor philanthropist and broadcaster

The American Lung Association of Michigan will honor the General Motors Corp., philanthropist and community leader Sue Nine and TV and radio broadcaster Charles Pugh as its Women's Lung Health Champions at The Butterfly Ball.

The event is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center.

The black tie event will pay tribute to GM, Nine and Pugh for helping advance the mission of the organization.

The ball is part of the lung as-

sociation's year-long, statewide Catch Your Breath: Women's Lung Health Campaign, focusing on women's lung health, particularly the increased incidence of lung disease among Michigan women.

More than 70,000 women will die this year from lung can-

cer, more than from breast, ovarian and cervical cancers combined.

Nearly 10,000 Michigan women are living with life-threatening lung diseases such as lung cancer, asthma, emphysema and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

At the same time, lung can-

cer in non-smokers is on the rise.

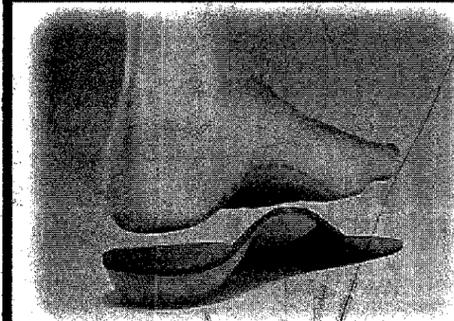
Since 1999, Pugh has been a reporter and anchor for Fox 2, and co-anchors the weekend morning shows.

He also reports for WJLB-FM, where he delivers a daily commentary called "Pugh's Perspective."

Tribute will be paid to the

General Motors Corp. for its development of FlexFuel vehicles, which help reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Tickets to The Butterfly Ball are \$250 per person. For information, contact Jessica Jimenez, development specialist, at (248) 784-2000.

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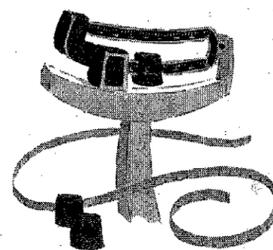
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## Christmas extraordinaire

The ShorePointe Nursing Center Auxiliary, formerly Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, is hosting its annual Christmas Fair Extraordinaire from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, at the nursing center, 26001 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Refreshments and free valet parking will be available. All proceeds benefit the nursing center. Pictured with some items to be featured during the fair, are from left, Joan Frear, Pat Antonelli, Grace VanAntwerp, Sandy Youngblood, Carole Sine, Marie West, Martha Khalidi, Betsy Martin, JoAn Allen, Sally Shield and Alice Grieshaber.

HEALTH COLUMN By Cheryl Wesen

## Treating breast cancer as a team

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Carol Sauter is like many women diagnosed with breast cancer; there was no history of the disease in her family.

In fact, 70 to 80 percent of women who get breast cancer do not have a family history of this disease, according to the American Cancer Society.

In Sauter's case, a routine mammogram showed something suspicious and a subsequent biopsy confirmed she had breast cancer.

"In my situation, the lump was very deep and a physical exam didn't reveal it or draw attention to it. So having that yearly mammogram is what really tipped the doctor off that something was not right," Sauter said.

As a doctor who treats this disease, I understand how a diagnosis of breast cancer is both frightening and overwhelming for most women. Many patients will want a second opinion from a variety of specialists before deciding on a course of treatment. Because this can be a daunting task, the St. John Health Breast Care Program at St. John Hospital and Medical Center's Van Elslender Cancer Center offers a unique service to any woman newly diagnosed with breast cancer.

An interdisciplinary team of doctors and health care professionals, including a surgeon, radiation oncologist, medical oncologist, nurse navigator, dietician and social worker, are available on a weekly basis to provide consultation services to newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. At this time, patients meet individually with the physicians and specialists, and collectively the team offers their opinions and recommendations for treatment.

The team is also knowledgeable in the latest research and which clinical trials may be open and available to patients.

This service helps reduce a patient's stress because she doesn't have to schedule evaluations from different specialists, which can be very time consuming. We make it convenient for our patients by bringing all the medical professionals together. The patients receive opinions all at once, enabling them to make an informed decision and begin their treatment sooner.

Sauter couldn't agree more. She said having access to the multi-disciplinary breast clinic gave her and her family peace of mind... and the direction she needed to fight the disease.

"They took the time — a couple hours — to answer all my and my family's ques-

tions," she said. "It was so helpful to know what I was up against and to be able to get all the recommendations at once."

Sauter opted for a lumpectomy followed by radiation and chemotherapy. It's been almost a year since she was diagnosed and she remains in good health with a favorable prognosis.

The multi-disciplinary breast clinic is available to all women newly diagnosed with breast cancer, whether they are patients of a St. John doctor or not. There is no requirement that patients be treated at a St. John hospital. The interdisciplinary team simply wants to provide the most complete and caring evaluation as possible to women facing breast cancer.

Early detection improves the odds of women surviving breast cancer. I strongly urge women to follow these recommended guidelines:

- ◆ monthly breast self-examinations starting at age 20
- ◆ clinical breast examination (by a health care provider) every three years, starting at age 20 and every year, starting at age 40
- ◆ women at high risk for breast cancer should have a clinical breast exam every 6-12 months starting at age 25
- ◆ annual mammogram,

starting at age 40 or for a women considered to be at high risk, at 5-10 years younger than a first degree relative previously diagnosed with breast cancer.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. If you're over 40 and haven't had a routine mammogram or a physical examination in the past year, I implore you to contact your doctor today and schedule an appointment.

The American Cancer Society estimates that 178,480 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to occur among women in the U.S. during 2007 and an estimated 40,460 women will die from breast cancer this year. The good news is that breast cancer mortality is on the decline in the U.S. — due in part to early detection. Mammograms are the key.

Those newly diagnosed with breast cancer that want more information about the Multidisciplinary Breast Clinic, contact Jeanine Mercurio, RN, at (313) 647-3301 or visit [stjohn.org/breastcare](http://stjohn.org/breastcare)

Cheryl Wesen, M.D., is director of the St. John Health System Breast Care Program and a surgeon with a special interest in breast cancer. She is on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

## Navigating the Medicare Web

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

Gloria Norton will observe her 65th birthday in mid-November. In preparation for becoming a senior citizen, she looked over the Medicare and Medicare Part D information.

Norton knew she needed help understanding it.

"The first time is very confusing," she said.

To answer her questions, Norton enrolled in My Medicare Matters Navigator class offered at the Center for Lifelong Learning for Active Adults at St. Peter the Apostle in Harper Woods.

The free class teaches seniors and caregivers how to navigate the Medicare Web site.

"It's hands on," Norton said of the two-hour class.

Center director Claudia VonDrak discovered a request for senior centers to become pilot sites for this instructional class. These centers will provide hands-on classes teaching, in Harper Woods' case, six people at a time how to navigate the Web site.

"It's a necessary class," VonDrak said, because "there is a glut of confusing information."

Three months before people turn 65; Medicare sends out information and asks the soon-to-be senior citizen if they have other insurance. Additionally, seniors are on mailing lists which provide them with all kinds of information, adding to the confusion, VonDrak said.

That is where the navigator

class comes in. Instructor Sandy Brucker teaches participants how to access the sites that apply to individual zip codes. Information is coordinated by zip codes listing who the providers are and what services are offered. The system is continually changed, she said, as providers change and prices change, thus making it necessary for seniors to be vigilant in seeking out timely information.

VonDrak said, since 2001 inflation has risen 18 percent, income has gone up 19 percent but health care costs have risen 87 percent, with the middle class being the hardest hit.

And that, she said, is why seniors need to be knowledgeable about their health care insurance and provider.

Brucker is a computer instructor at the Lifelong Learning Center and has gone through the My Medicare Matters training. She is not a Medicare counselor.

The class provides valuable information so the best decisions can be made from a trusted Web site, VonDrak said.

"Everyone has a stake in this. It's a complicated system and this (class) is beneficial," Brucker said.

Seniors who do not own a computer can use computers at the center, the public libraries or SOC.

This class is recommended by the National Council on Aging.

To ask about dates and times when the class is offered and to register, call the learning center at (313) 886-1770.

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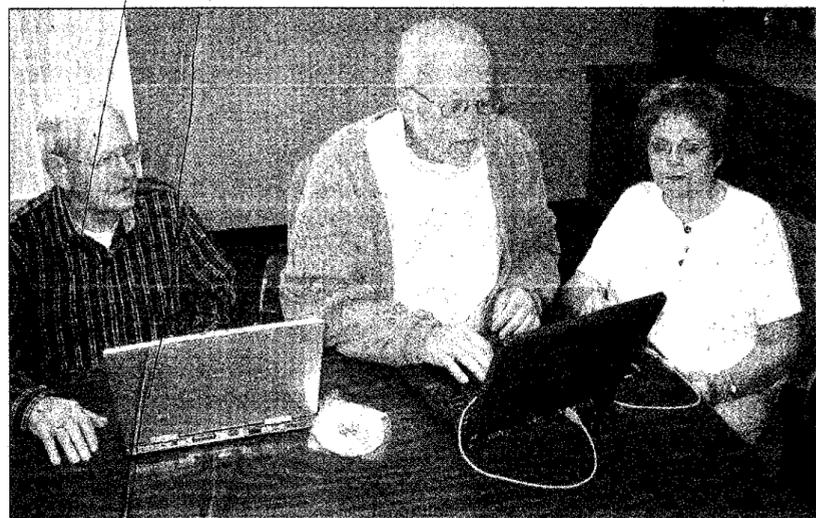
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## 6B | FEATURES

## WEDDINGS

DuCharme -  
Elwell

Elizabeth Forbes DuCharme, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. DuCharme III of Grosse Pointe Park married Tristan Elwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Elwell of West Sussex, United Kingdom, on Sept. 15, 2007, at St. Paul on the Lake Roman Catholic Church.

The Rev. John P. Wynnycky officiated at the noon ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore a dulciana satin gown with an off the shoulder neckline and full Castellan train. It was embellished with hand sewn pearls, crystals and re-embroidered Alencon lace. She wore her mother's Alencon lace mantilla and carried an old-fashioned bouquet of extravaganza roses, gardenias, stephanotis and dendrobium orchids with knotted French silk ribbon streamers.

Matron of honor was Kara V. Smith of Washington, D.C. The bride's attendants were Katherine Altschuler of Oklahoma City, Okla., Maria DiFiore of Chicago, Ill., Meghan Powderly of Still River, Mass., Stacy Cota and Jennifer Langieri of Boston, Mass., and Lindemann Zopk of Gordonville, Penn. They wore full length gowns of French blue peau de soie with fuchsia sashes and carried cascading bouquets of roses, alstroemeria and stephanotis with trailing ivy and ribbons.

Flower girls were Yasmine Elwell of Surrey, United Kingdom, and Lea Barbagaleta of Marseilles, France. They wore white alaskine dresses with puffed sleeves and fuchsia sashes. The two carried baskets of roses and ivy with pink ribbons.

Michael Howard of Horsham, United Kingdom was the best man.

Ushers were Gregory Bates, Timothy Duffill, Simon Cunningham, Matthew Price and Andrew Shebbeare, all of the United Kingdom.

Readers were Charles B. DuCharme II of St. Clair Shores and Magaly and Sebastian Elwell of the United Kingdom. The music director was Lawrence Przybysz and David Martin played the bagpipes.

The bride's mother wore a pearl Chinese brocade dress with matching jacket and pinned a rose and stephanotis corsage to her purse.

The mother of the groom wore a wisteria dress and jacket with butterfly appliques and a rose and stephanotis corsage.

The bride graduated from Sweet Briar College with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She works as a research coordinator for Fidelity, London, England.

The groom graduated from Horsham College and the London School of Economics with honors and holds a master's degree in economics and management. He works as a specialist with the Adelphi Fund, London.

The couple honeymooned on Grand Cayman Island. They live in London, England.

Theokas -  
Reed

Athanasia Theokas, daughter of Gregory and Justina Theokas of Grosse Pointe Park married Michael Reed, son of Michael and Jennifer Reed of East Tawas, Aug. 18, 2007, at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Detroit.

The Rev. Tom G. George officiated at the 4:30 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Roostertail. Music was provided by the Ellas Greek Band and the DJ was Josh Pomeroy.

The couple was married by the same priest as the bride's parents.

The bride wore an ivory strapless antique lace mermaid fit dress with a long sheer lace trimmed veil. She carried a bouquet of cascading white and red roses with stephanotis and orchids.

The crowns used in the Greek ceremony were made from Swarovski crystal by Nicoletta Kythreoti of Cyrus, a friend of the bride and groom.

Patricia Theokas of Grosse Pointe Park served as her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Angela Galloner of Kalamazoo, the groom's sister Kelly Reed of East Tawas, Britton Reiss of Bloomfield Hills, Breanna Waligora of Grand Rapids and Crystal Hampton of Punta Gorda, Fla.

The bride's cousin, Lia Sinclair of Jackson, Wyo., was the flower girl. She carried a white basket and scattered red rose petals on the aisle.

Attendants wore strapless robin's egg blue satin tea length dresses. They carried red rose domed-shaped bouquets.

Tyler Reed of East Tawas served as his brother's best man.

Ushers and groomsmen were Luke Darrow of East Tawas, Patrick Jacques of Tawas City, Jason Johnson of East Tawas, and Kevin Manne of Mountain View, Calif.

Mason Kolak, the groom's cousin of Bay City, was the ring bearer.

The bride's mother wore a cream tea length lightly patterned chiffon dress with jewels. She had a white rose, ivy and stephanotis wrist corsage.

The groom's mother wore a full length jade chiffon dress with a tiered skirt and rows of lace and beading. Her wrist corsage was made up of white roses, ivy and stephanotis.

Ann Lyke was the organist.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration from Northwood University. She is enrolled in a Master's of Business Administration program at Cyprus International Institute of Management.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Science in construction management from Ferris State University. He is enrolled in a Master's of Business Administration program at Cyprus International Institute of Management.

The couple honeymooned on a Mediterranean cruise. They live in Nicosia, Cyprus.

Rogers -  
Jenzen

Meagan Marie Rogers, daughter of Diane Rogers of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Kenneth William Jenzen of Harper Woods, son of Frances Jenuwine of St. Clair Shores, on Aug. 4, 2007, in Charlevoix.

The Rev. Edwin Remaly officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Castle Farms.

The bride wore a strapless, white satin, A-line gown with white satin button detailing down the full length of the dress. She carried a clutch style bouquet of white hydrangeas and pink gerber daisies with pearl accents and a pink satin ribbon.

The bride's friend, Shelby Simmon of Grosse Pointe Woods, served as the maid of honor.

Nina Jenzen, the groom's sister of Chino, Cal., was the bridesmaid.

A family friend, Brooke Anderson of Rochester Hills, was the flower girl.

Attendants wore strapless, pink satin, tea length dresses with a sweetheart neckline and green satin sash detail. Their flowers were clutch style with green flowers and a pink satin ribbon.

Steve Smitka of Harper Woods served as his friend's best man.

Ushers were Jeremy Barnett, a friend from Eaton Rapids, and Matt Tarmina, a friend from Harper Woods.

The groom's godson and cousin, Matthew DiGiuseppe, of Warren, was the ring bearer.

The bride's mother wore a light gold tank style, tea length dress with rouching and rhinestone detail.

The groom's mother wore a brown, tank style, tea length dress. Both mothers had wrist corsages of pink gerber daisies, a variety of green flowers and



Mr. and Mrs. Tristan Elwell



Mr. and Mrs. Michael James Bissig

pink satin ribbon.

A family friend, Paulina Kennedy of Grosse Pointe Woods, played the viola and was accompanied by a trumpet, violin and piano trio.

The bride's aunt and godmother, Theresa Genest of Roseville, read the Scripture.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Davenport University.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from Davenport University and is the director of dining services with Luther Oaks, a retirement community.

The honeymooned in St. Lucia and are living in Bloomington, Ill.

Mills -  
Oorbeek

Denise Frances Mills, daughter of John D. Mills of Grosse Pointe Shores and Gail Mills of St. Clair Shores and stepdaughter to Diane Mills; was married to William Richard Oorbeek, son of William F. Oorbeek of Boynton Beach, Fla., and Elisa Oorbeek of Myrtle Beach, S.C. on Sept. 15, 2007.

The Rev. Nathan Keeler of McLean Bible Church officiated the 4 p.m. ceremony in The Methodist Church in Nantucket, Mass., which was followed by a reception at the White Elephant Hotel. The bride was given away by her father.

Matrons of honor were the bride's sisters Carolyn Buccini of St. Clair Shores and Kerry Vlahantones of Grosse Pointe Farms and the bride's best friend, Lauren Hopper of Richmond, Va.

The best man was Brian Kushner of Columbia, Md., a friend of the groom.

Groomsmen were the groom's brother-in-law Jeffrey Dupre of Montague, N.J., and the groom's friend Scott Muchow of Washington, D.C.

The bride wore a silk Carolina Herrera eyelet strapless A-line dress with pale green grosgrain ribbon and lace detailing at the waist. Her bouquet consisted of white hydrangeas, stephanotis with pearls, freesia, lisianthus, Lady's Mantel and Star of Bethlehem.

Attendants wore clover green strapless A-line tea-length dresses.

The bride graduated from St. Mary's College, South Bend, Ind. and is vice president of government affairs with the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

The groom graduated from Frostburg State University, Frostburg, Md., and is president and CEO of The Oorbeek Group, a political consulting firm in Alexandria, Va.

The couple resides in Alexandria and plan a November honeymoon in France.

Makar -  
Jeannette

Karen Suzanne Makar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Makar of Gahanna, Ohio, married Joseph Frank Jeannette II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jeannette of Grosse Pointe



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth William Jenzen



Dr. and Mrs. Richard James Martin Jr.

Farms, Oct. 14, 2006, at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.

The Rev. Wanda McNeil and the Rev. Richard Wälston, the groom's uncle, officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception in the Ronald Reagan Building Pavilion ballroom.

The bride wore a white silk organza A-line strapless dress with a beaded and metallic embroidered bodice and chapel length train. Crystals were scattered on her finger-tip veil. She wore a diamond necklace, a gift from the groom.

Her hand-tied bouquet was made up of fall toned roses, orchids and deep brown curly fern fronds.

Her sister, Kim Begeman of Chicago, Ill., was the matron of honor and Denise Makar, a sister from Chicago, Ill., was the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were the groom's sister Anne Klaskin of Winnetka, Ill.; the bride's friend Kate Daly of Columbus, Ohio; and the bride's friend Kelly Morrison of Arlington, Vir.

Katie Klaskin, the groom's niece of Winnetka, was the flower girl. She wore a bisque overlaid dress of ivory silk organza tied with a bisque sash and held by ivory and bisque organza flowers. She wore similar flowers in her hair. She carried a basket of white roses.

Attendants wore full-length, truffle A-line strapless silk organza dresses with matching portrait collared three-quarter length sleeved jackets tied at the waist. They carried hand-tied bouquets of white roses and orchids.

Brian Ralston of Chicago, Ill., served as his friend's best man.

Groomsmen were Michael Klaskin, the groom's brother-in-law of Winnetka, Ill.; Robert Makar, the bride's brother from Indianapolis, Ind.; Nick Rhoad, the groom's friend from Carmel, Ind.; and David Morrison, the groom's friend from Arlington, Vir.

Ushers were Mark Walton, the groom's cousin from Louisville, Ken.; Joel Walston, the groom's cousin from Apollo Beach, Fla.; and Joseph Paladino, the groom's friend from Grand Rapids.

The bride's mother wore an ecru cream chiffon tea-length dress and jacket with beaded detailing. Her dress was accented with topaz jewelry. She carried a clutch of white orchids.

The groom's mother wore a celadon dress and coat with silver paillettes and accented by diamond and kunzsite jewelry. She carried a jeweled minaudiere and a clutch of white orchids.

Rosemary Smith, the bride's great-aunt, and Rodney Currier, the groom's godfather, were Scripture readers. Paul Leavitt was the organist.

The bride earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in history from the College of Wooster and a master's degree in school counseling from George Washington University. She is a school counselor for Arlington Schools.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech rhetoric from Hillsdale College and a master's degree in crisis and emergency man-



Mr. and Mrs. William Richard Oorbeek



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frank Jeannette II

agement from George Washington University. He is a security planner for the U.S. Senate sergeant-at-arms Office of Security and Emergency Preparedness.

The couple honeymooned in Maui, Hawaii. They live in Arlington, Vir.

Golden -  
Martin

Melissa Lynn Golden, daughter of Marcia Golden and Craig and Jenny Golden of Traverse City, married Richard James Martin Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin of Grosse Pointe Farms, on July 6, 2007, at St. Mary's Church in Hood River, Ore.

The Rev. Ronald Maag officiated at the 3:30 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the historic Columbia Gorge Hotel.

The bride wore an ivory silk strapless gown and fingertip length veil edged with beading. She carried a bouquet of calla lilies.

Megan Welsh of Traverse City served as maid of honor.

David McComb of Hoboken, N.J., was the best man.

Ushers were John Stone of Beaumont, Texas, Skip Sligh of Des Moines, Iowa, and Casey Reichel of Laguna Beach, Calif.

The bride's mother wore a floor-length two-piece champagne colored dress with a beaded top and a corsage of ivory calla lilies.

The bride's step-mother wore a rose tea length two-piece dress and had ivory calla lilies as her corsage.

The groom's mother wore a two-piece beige dress with ivory trim. She also had an ivory calla lily corsage.

The soloist at the Mass was Dina Ormando, the bride's friend.

Readers were the bride's sister, Mallory Golden, and the groom's sisters, Debora Murray and Susan Martin. Alter servers were the groom's nephews, Michael and Ryan Seago.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree from Northern Michigan University and is a national sales manager at Skamania Lodge in Stevenson, Wash.

The groom earned both a bachelor's and master's degree in public health from the University of Michigan and a doctor of osteopathic medicine from Michigan State University. He is a pediatrician in Hood River, Ore.

The couple honeymooned in San Juan Islands and Victoria, British Columbia, and live in Hood River.

Wasilewski -  
Bissig

Kendra Blessing Wasilewski, daughter of Michael and Rose Wasilewski of Ferndale, married Mitchell James Bissig, son of Frank and Patricia Bissig of Grosse Pointe Farms on Aug. 25, 2007, at St. Paul on the Lake.

The Revs. John Kiselica and Michael O'Mire officiated at the 3 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Mac & Ray's Harbor Grand Ballroom.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Reed



Mr. and Mrs. Adam James Lassanske

The bride wore a self-designed lace strapless two-piece dress with a sweetheart neckline and sash through the waist. She carried a bouquet of white and ivory roses, white cymbidium orchids and lime green berries.

Melanie Ferow of Oak Park, served as her sister's matron of honor.

Megan Smith of Corunna was the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Mindy O'Mire of Troy, Roxanne Najor of Troy, Tracy Leshau of Dearborn, and the bride's godmother, Laura Vendt, of Shelby Township.

The bride's niece, Grace Ferow of Oak Park, was the flower girl.

Attendants wore black satin strapless duchess-style dresses. They carried bouquets of fuchsia roses and lime green cymbidium orchids.

The groom's brother, Christopher Bissig of Grosse Pointe Farms, was the best man.

Groomsmen were Charles Baker of Grosse Pointe Shores, Dave Kowalski of City of Grosse Pointe, Dominick Brookes of Lodi, Calif., Doug Smith of Ann Arbor and Matthew Brown of Midland.

The bride's mother wore an iridescent chocolate brown dress with a corsage of fuchsia spray roses.

The groom's mother wore a floor-length black dress with fuchsia spray roses.

Stacy Mason of Farmington Hills was the soloist.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in hospitality business management from Michigan State University in 2006 and is director of sales and events at Greenworks by Shane Floral, Inc. in Washington, D.C.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing from Michigan State University in 2004. He is a contract specialist with the Department of Defense at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

They honeymooned in Oahu and Maui, Hawaii.

They live in Alexandria, Vir.

Colett -  
Lassanske

Elizabeth Chapoton Colett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary A. Colett, of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Adam James Lassanske, son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Lassanske, of Vancouver, Wash., July 21, 2007, at Allie's Cabin, Beaver Creek, Colo.

The Rev. Carolyn Carpenter officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Allie's Cabin.

The bride wore a strapless, princess-cut gown with hand-frayed silk organza eyelash layers. It was trimmed with satin ribbon under the bodice. She wore a finger-tip length veil. Her bouquet was white and ivory roses, lisianthus, hypericum berries and pittosporum.

Christy Colett of Boulder, Colo., served as her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Christina Dwaihy, a friend from Grosse

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## ENGAGEMENTS

### Ventimiglia-Burkard

Tina McPeck of Clinton Township and Victor Ventimiglia Jr. of Birmingham have announced the engagement of their daughter, Toni Marie Ventimiglia, to Joshua Matthew Burkard, son of Meredith Burkard of Grosse Pointe Woods and Richard Burkard of Harper Woods. An April wedding is planned.

Ventimiglia earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Michigan State University, Eli Broad College of Business. She is employed with General Motors as a senior interactive media buyer.

Burkard earned a bachelor's degree in human biology from Michigan State University, Lyman-Briggs College of Natural Science and a medical degree from Western University, Chicago, Ill. He is a resident in anesthesiology at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit.

### Urbani - Robson

Mr. and Mrs. Roger L. Urbani of Ballwin, Mo., have announced the engagement of their daughter, A. Melissa Urbani, to Ryan T. Robson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy J.

Robson of Grosse Pointe Farms. A November wedding is planned.

Urbani earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham with a major in criminal justice. She is a paralegal in the toxic tort practice with Segal, McCambridge, Singer and Mahoney, Chicago, Ill.

Robson earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Boston College with a double major in management information systems and accounting. He is a

manager in the regulatory and capital markets consultancy at Deloitte & Touche LLP, Chicago.

### Dornbrook - Statler

David and Lynette Dornbrook of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Dornbrook, to Nicholas Statler, son of Ed and Cheryl Statler of Berwyn, Ill. A June wedding is planned.

Dornbrook earned a Bachelor of Science in



**Ryan T. Robson and A. Melissa Urbani**

Business Administration degree from Ohio State University. She is a fee analyst with Merrill Lynch in Chicago.

Statler earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Ohio State University. He is the



**Kelly Dornbrook and Nicholas Statler**

regional human resource manager with the Sara Lee Corp. in Chicago.



**Toni Marie Ventimiglia and Joshua Matthew Burkard**

## WEDDING: Colett - Lassanske

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Pointe Woods; Emily LeMere, a friend from Denver; Lindsey Dietschi, a friend from New York City; and Katie Nilsson, a friend from Denver.

Attendants wore short, black strapless silk chiffon, empire waisted dresses.

Darren Pratt of Vancouver, Wash., served as his friend's best man. Groomsmen and ushers were Scott Berkebile of San Diego, Calif., Dan Johnson

of Redondo Beach, Calif., Joey McMurray of San Monica, Calif. and Tony Tomarchio of Mountain View, Calif.

The couple lives in Denver.

### Regan - Wasinger

Debra Rachel Regan, daughter of Marcia Regan of Nashua, N.H., and Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., married Paul Stephen Wasinger, son of Kay Wasinger of Grosse Pointe Park and Stephen and Dorothy Wasinger of Grosse Pointe Farms, June 23, 2007, in Southwest Harbor, Maine.

Christopher J. Vincent officiated at the 3:30 p.m. ceremony,

which was followed by a reception on the front lawn of the Claremont Hotel overlooking Sommes Sound.

The bride wore a ivory silk sheath with beaded overlay designed by Anne Barge. Her clutch bouquet was made of white and ivory peonies, roses, spray roses, lisanthus and freesia.

Attendants were Ronit Berdugo of Key West, Fla.; Lauren Rasmus, New York City; Stephanie Kopman, Chicago; and Allison Roads Kats, Raleigh, N.C.

The groom's attendants were Christ McArdle of Washington, D.C.; Kevin McGuire of New York City; George Farley of Austin, Texas; and Tedd Smith

of New York City.

Emma Wills, Maggie Wills, Ben True and Matt True, nieces and nephews of the groom, were the flowergirls and ringbearers. The readers were the groom's sisters, Sara Wasinger True, Rebecca Wasinger Wills and the bride's uncle, Joel Rich.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University and a Master of Business Administration from Bocconi University, Milan, Italy. She is senior director of marketing with LexisNexis Group.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Notre Dame University and a Master of Business



**Debra Rachel Regan and Paul Stephen Wasinger**

Administration from the University of Michigan. He is an investment banker with MorganStanley.

The couple honeymooned in South Africa, Botswana and Zambia.

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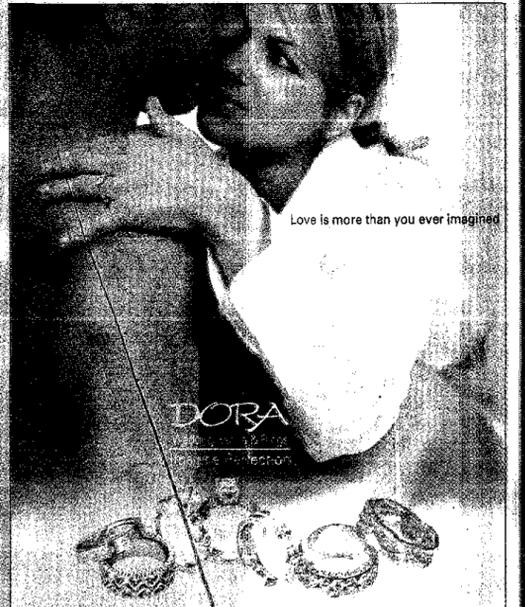
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# Assumption plans family Christmas auction

The Miracle On Marter auction begins at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

The entire family can do to its pre-Christmas shopping when doors open for the silent auction.

An open bar and hors d'oeuvres are available prior to the 7:30 p.m. family style dinner. The live auction begins at 8:30 p.m. with a wide spectrum of items.

The cost is \$20 and \$10 for children under 12.

Silent auction themes are holiday, sports, electronics, spas, outdoors, children and cooking.

Auction items include jewelry, a northern Michigan home and cottage get aways, Pistons, Red Wings and Tiger tickets, catered dinner for 25 by Marchiori Catering, a weekend for two at Atheneum which includes spa services at the Coliseum International, a violin-piano recital by the Wayne State University director of orchestral studies, Michigan Opera and Detroit Symphony Orchestra Theater tickets.

Co-chairs for the event are Tina Varlamos and Bob and Chris De Waele.

For reservations, call (586) 779-6111, ext. 3.

Proceeds will benefit the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and Cultural Center and Assumption Nursery School and Toddler Center.



Auction committee members gather to plan the Family Auction at Assumption. From left are the Rev. Anthony Cook, Cindy Vickrey, Jehan Wakeem Braddock, Bonnie Mellos, Mary Koukios, Valerie Sacchetti, Chris Macres, Tina Varlamos, co-chair, Elaine Radtke, Tina Bucca, Georgia Falzone and the Rev. Michael Varlamos. Not pictured, Jeff Bajis, Dory Daskas, Bob and Chris De Waele, George Gazepis, Kristine Kambouris, Andrea Kiriazis, Georgia Kocoves, Ann Marie Michon, Mary Penz, Dafni Rodriguez, Tina Seely, and Harriet Stoukas.

## Grief training offered by St. John Open Arms

Training for the St. John Open Arms Grieving Children's Program is being offered beginning Wednesday,

Nov. 7. This training will equip participants to serve as a volunteer group facilitator in Open

Arms grief support groups. The training is free for volunteers who make a one-year commitment to serve in the program.

Topics covered during the three-day training program include: confidentiality, boundaries and group rules; group process; the four tasks of

grief; grief and trauma — knowing the differences and providing interventions that work; creative ways to help grieving children; helping survivors of homicide, suicide, complicated grief and sudden loss; understanding the children's point of view and how they process grief; and work-

ing with the surviving parent or caregiver.

Classes will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7; 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at Open Arms, 1148 Harper, Detroit.

Dinner will be served on both Wednesday and

Thursday evenings and a continental breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday.

All volunteers in Open Arms are required to go through an interview and background check.

For more information or to pre-register, call Erica at (313) 921-7983 ext. 233.

# WORSHIP SERVICE

<p><b>Saint Ambrose Parish</b></p> <p>Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses at 8:30 &amp; 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>St. Ambrose Roman Catholic Church 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park One block north of Jefferson, at Maryland</p>	<p><b>Grosse Pointe UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b></p> <p>A Friendly Church for All Ages 211 Moross Rd. Grosse Pointe Farms 886-2363</p> <p><b>SUNDAY WORSHIP</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Worship Service-Chapel</p> <p><b>CHURCH SCHOOL</b> 9:45 am. Church School - 4 yrs. - 5th Grade 10:45 am Church School - Middle &amp; Senior High 11:00 am Adult Church School Nursery &amp; Toddler Care Provided</p> <p><b>LOGOS Congregation</b> Rev. Robert D. Wright-Pastor Rev. Pamela Beedle-Gee-Associate Pastor</p>	<p><b>Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church</b></p> <p>A place of grace, a place of welcome, a place for you.</p> <p>Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Christian Education for all - 9:15 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study - 6:30 p.m. *Nursery Available*</p> <p>Rev. James Rizer, Pastor Rev. Elizabeth Arakelian, Assoc. Pastor</p> <p>19950 Mack at Torrey 313 886-4301 • www.gpwpc.org</p>	<p><b>Christ the King Lutheran Church</b></p> <p>Mack at Lochmoor 884-5090</p> <p>8:15 &amp; 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School &amp; Bible Classes</p> <p>Supervised Nursery Provided www.christthekinggp.org</p> <p>Randy S. Boelter, Pastor</p>	<p><b>FIRST ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH</b></p> <p>800 Vernier Road (corner of Wedgewood) (313) 884-5040</p> <p>8:15 am - Traditional Worship 9:30 am - Contemporary Worship 9:30 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Traditional Worship</p> <p>Nursery Available Rev. Walter A. Schmidt, Pastor Rev. Gerald Elnholz, Associate Pastor "Go Make Disciples" ~ www.felc.org</p>	<p><b>CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH</b></p> <p>First Church of Christ, Scientist 282 Chalfonte Ave.</p> <p>Sunday Service - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Wednesday Testimony Meeting 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>All are warmly welcome at both services Free Childcare provided Questions? 884-2426</p>
<p><b>Grosse Pointe Baptist Church</b></p> <p>Christ Centered and Caring - Committed to Youth and Community</p> <p>Sunday Worship - 11:00 AM Sunday School - 9:30 AM for Age 2 - Adult Awana Clubs Wednesday @ 6:15 p.m. Middle School Youth meet Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth meet Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>21336 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe Woods Phone: (313) 881-3343</p>	<p><b>Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church</b></p> <p>Serving Christ in Detroit for over 153 years</p> <p>Sunday, October 28, 2007 Reformation Sunday 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Sermon: "What Do Our Prayers Tell God...About Us?" Scripture: Luke 18:9-14 Peter C. Smith, Preaching Church School: Crib - 8th Grade</p> <p>Save the Date: Music Series Sunday, November 4 at 4:00 p.m. - Featuring Michigan Singer/Songwriter Ben Walter (Blend of piano, pop, rock and jazzy blues) Free Admission</p> <p>8625 E. Jefferson at Burns, Detroit Visit our website: www.japc.org 313-822-3456</p>	<p><b>St. James Lutheran Church "on the Hill"</b></p> <p>170 McMillan Road Grosse Pointe Farms</p> <p>Sunday 9:00 a.m. Education for all 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Nursery Care Available</p> <p>Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist 313-884-0511 stjamesgp@ameritech.net</p>	<p><b>Grosse Pointe Congregational Church</b></p> <p>10:00 a.m. FAMILY WORSHIP (crib room available) 10:00 a.m. Church School</p> <p>AFFILIATED WITH THE UCC AND ABC 240 CHALFONTE AT LOTHROP</p> <p>Rev. Ed Bray, Pastor www.gpcg.org gpcg@sbeglobal.net 884-3075</p>	<p><b>Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church</b></p> <p>October 28, 2007 10:30 Service: "When You Get to the Jabbok" Rev. John Corrado</p> <p>Noon: Forum: A History of Ideas 17150 MAUMEE 881-0420 Visit us at www.gpuc.us</p>	<p><b>GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b></p> <p>1175 Lakepointe at Kercheval Grosse Pointe Park 822-3823</p> <p>Sunday - Worship 10:30 a.m. Tuesday - Thrift Shop 10:30 - 3:30</p> <p>Wednesday - Amazing Grace Seniors every second Wednesday at The Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park 11:00 - 3:00</p> <p>COME JOIN US Pastor: Marguerite (Margo) Allen</p>
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# CLUB MEETINGS

## Questers

Pettipointe Questers Chapter 243 meet at 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 1, at the home of Barbara Malley. The program is "building a museum" and will be presented by Jeanne Srigley, after which lunch will be served. Call reservations into Malley.

## Women's Club

The Republican Women's Club of Grosse Pointe holds its annual fundraiser at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The featured speaker is Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox who will answer audience questions. The cost is \$35 per person or \$60 for a couple. Wine and hors d'oeuvre will be served.

## Garden Center lecture

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center hosts Barry Burton, a zoological horticulturist, Thursday, Nov. 8. Refreshment will be served at 7 p.m. with the program at 7:30 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe South High School graduate attended Michigan State University, the College of Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture. He later worked for Grosse Pointe Farms and its beautification committee to create a master landscape plan for Lakeshore.

In 1993, he joined the Detroit Zoological Institute as zoo horticulturist, where he was part of the zoo renovation team. During that time, he landscaped the butterfly garden

and restored and developed natural landscapes.

He is the director of landscape architecture for a real estate development and property management firm. To make reservations for the free lecture, call the Garden Center at (313) 881-7511, ext. 206

## DAR

The Louisa St. Clair Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution holds a general membership meeting on Saturday, Nov. 3, at the University of Dearborn Environmental Interpretive Center, 4901 Evergreen.

Brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m. followed by a presentation on the River Rouge Project at 11:30 a.m. Call Linda Benson at (313) 863-1015 by Monday, Oct. 29 for reservations.

## Fox Creek

The Fox Creek Questers No. 216 meet at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1, at the home of Marlene Harle. Jacki Stein will be co-hostess. A program on shoes will be presented by Betty Reas.

## Farm and garden

The Grosse Pointe Shores branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association meets at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at 10

Radnor Circle with hostess Marion Huegeli.

The program is growing and using culinary herbs with Mary Krueger. Make a reservation by calling Georgiana Richner at (313) 884-2464 or Jean Hodges at (313) 886-0366.

## Inland water systems discussed

Ted Bolak, stewardship director for the Clinton River Watershed Council, will discuss the importance of inland water systems at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 12 at St. Peter the Apostle Parish House, 8851 Anita, Harper Woods.

He will identify the major watersheds in the area, describe the network of water systems they represent and discuss important local initiatives under way to preserve, protect and sustain these water systems.

The talk is sponsored by Stewards of the Earth, a local citizen environmental conservation group.

For information, call (313) 886-1770.

## Pointe Garden Club

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, at the Ewald branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Kathy Groustra is hostess and Chris Bassett is co-hostess. The program is even steps to great roses, presented by Nancy Lindley, co-owner of Great



## Christmas Mart

Christmas Mart at Beaumont Hospital, 468 Cadieux, the City of Grosse Pointe, will offer unusual items for the holidays from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3. Christmas decorations, sweaters, jewelry, paper goods, unique gifts items, toys and books and infant and toddler wear will be featured. Cathy Ruifrok and Sande Seale are the chairs of the event. Proceeds benefit the hospital.

Lakes Roses.

Tickets are \$25 and \$5 for students. For more information, call Leila Stollman at (248) 683-9626.

## Spooktacular

The Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra presents a trick of treat Halloween Spooktacular concert at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27, at South Lake High School, St. Clair Shores.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and college students and \$5 for students. All children in costume get in free with a paid ticket. Advance tickets are available at the Big Boy restaurant on Jefferson and Nine Mile, Gifts Afloat and the Galley Cafe.

## Pro Mozart Society

Pro Mozart Society of Greater Detroit presents its first concert of the season at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Hammell Music, 2700 E. Maple, Commerce.

Performing will be Detroit Symphony violinists Kimberly Kolnoyanides Kenned and Hai-Xin Wu, violist James Van Valkenburg and cellist Robert de Maine.

They will be joined by pianist Pauline Martin.

## GP Theatre opens female version of 'Odd Couple' Nov. 4

The female version of Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple" opens at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 4 at the Grosse Pointe Theatre.

This updated version of a tried and true comedy classic brings Unger and Madison back together again, only this time it is Florence Unger and Olive Madison. The apartment roommates invite their lady friends in for an evening of Trivial Pursuit, rather than poker.

The cast of characters includes the exotic Constanzuella brothers, who live upstairs and bring some excitement to the ladies.

The production continues from Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 8-11 and Wednesday through Saturday, Nov. 14-17. Sunday performances begin at 2 p.m. and the curtain rises on all others at 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fries Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets are \$16 and ear-



From left, Carol Green as Olive and Laura Verbeek as Florence in Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple."

phones for hearing enhancement are available for all performances. Reservations for a buffet dinner served prior to the performance can be made by calling (313) 881-7511.

Portraying Olive Madison is Carol Green and Laura Verbeek plays Florence Unger. Also starring are Diane Flint as Mickey; Mary Adzigian as Renee; Kelly Laughter as

Sylvie; and Amy Chaudhury as Vera. Nick Dara plays Jesus and Rick Mason is Manolo.

Directing the production is Kathy Conlon with Carolyn Darby and Ginny Codd as co-producers and Sal DeMercurio is stage manager. The set designer is Jacki DiSante and set dressing is being handled by Sue Davis. The technical director for the production is Art Thompson and lighting is being handled by Dianne Pegg and Diana Whitman. Blair Arden is in charge of sound; costumes are by Ginger Hupp; and make-up by Donna DiSante. Props are being handled by Gerylann Arden, assisted by Suzanne Ross.

## Theater has workshop, holds auditions

As part of its workshop program, Grosse Pointe Theatre is starting an informal writing group in November.

"Both beginners and more experienced playwrights are welcome to join the group and enjoy the peer process of creating plays," said John Forlini, theater education chair. "We invite the public to join this ongoing workshop because I know there are people who like to write and want to try their hand at plays."

The workshop will not teach participants "how to write," rather to help them through the process of writing plays.

Mary Lou Britton will be the leader and facilitator of the workshop.

"Our goal will be to create 'short plays' which are about 10 minutes in length. Once people are comfortable writing in this

mode, they can easily expand their creations to longer, full-length plays," she said.

The group will meet every other week from November through April, culminating in a staged reading open to the public.

The workshop is free and participants need to have access to a computer and e-mail to participate. All works must be typed to be read by the group.

For more information, contact Britton at mellbee@earthlink.net or call (313) 886-8901.

◆ Auditions are being held for Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "The World Goes

"Round," at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, and 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at the theater, 315 Fisher, City of Grosse Pointe. The call is for two male and four female leads and a supporting cast of one man and two women.

CDs and librettos are available for a five-day review. Call producer Lyndsey Briggs at (313) 884-2466 to obtain either the CD or libretto.

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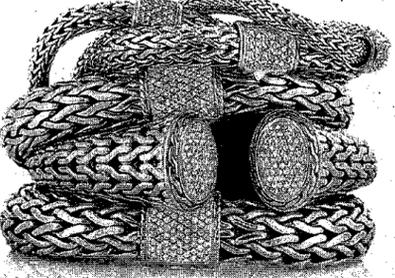
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REVIEW By Dina Soresi Winter

# 'Cyrano' a 'triumph at opera theatre

**C**yrano Fever has infected the operatic world since David DiChiera, general director of Michigan Opera Theatre, wrote an opera based on the play, *Cyrano de Bergerac*.

The opera is being performed at the Michigan Opera Theatre through Oct. 28.

Having attended its premier, I now know "Cyrano" is a triumph, as was attested to by the long and enthusiastic standing ovation it was given at the conclusion of the opening performance.

Di Chiera has created a very moving, emotionally charged and beautiful work, with sweeps of inspired melody throughout.

The music is quite beautiful, mellifluous and rich in melody and harmony. It is largely without clearly defined free-standing arias or ensembles. The style and character of the opera is reminiscent of Der

Rosenkavalier. As it progresses in a subtle, almost hypnotic way, the opera gradually draws the audience into a deep emotional involvement in the story. This effect owes much to the skill of Mark Flint, who wrote the orchestration.

"Cyrano" is totally convincing and clearly deserves a place in the standard operatic repertoire of the leading opera companies of the world.

As the story goes, Cyrano is a man with an uncommonly large nose, which he believes makes him unappealing to women, especially Roxane, whom he secretly adores. When she confesses she is in love with the attractive Christian, a member of his regiment, he is crushed, but pledges to befriend and protect him.

Later, Christian, who loves Roxane but is inept at expressing it, pleads with Cyrano to give him the words

he needs to woo her. In a very moving scene, Cyrano offers to be the writer of his letters: "I shall walk in the shadow by your side," he sings.

The more Cyrano writes, the more Roxane falls in love with Christian.

After the great "balcony" scene of the second act, she agrees to marry him. The quintet in this scene is one of the most memorable musical experiences of the opera.

DeGuiche, a powerful count, who would have preferred that Roxane marry someone of his choice, sends Christian, Cyrano and their regiment to battle.

At the front, Christian is dying, but Cyrano continues to write his letters daily and risks his life to deliver them. Roxane finds her way to the battlefield and Christian dies in her arms.

The last scene, which takes place 14 years later, finds



From left, "Cyrano" conductor Mark Flint, Marian Pop who plays Cyrano, Adel Amerman of Grosse Pointe Farms, Dan Clancy of Grosse Pointe Farms, Leach Partridge who plays Roxanne and David Balle of Grosse Pointe Farms. Balle opened his home to a progressive dinner for members of the "Cyrano" cast and opera supporters.

Roxane in a convent, still nourishing her love for Christian. She is visited regularly by Cyrano and one day produces the last letter written by Christian.

Cyrano recites it in the dark and she realizes that he is the writer who has poured his soul into the correspondence which inflamed her love. After she notices blood coming from his head, Cyrano tells her that an assassin has mortally wounded him.

As he dies, Roxane cries out that she has "loved only one soul and lost it twice."

Roxane is exquisitely sung

by Leah Partridge. Marian Pop is a top-notch Cyrano. Christian (Jose Luis Sola), De Guiche (Peter Volpe), and Roxane's nurse (Gloria Partridge) are especially effective in their roles. So is Gaetan Laperriere as Le Bret, Cyrano's friend.

There are splendid choral moments and impressive orchestral interludes.

On the podium, Flint gives a masterful reading of the score. For this reason it would be valid to call the work an opera by DiChiera/Flint, for certainly

Flint shares in the glory of this musical masterpiece. So,

too, does the librettist, Bernard Uzan, who manages to retain the flavor of Cyrano's original eloquence and beauty of sentiment in Rostand's play.

Final performances are 7:30 p.m. Friday Oct. 26, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28. Tickets range in price from \$24 to \$117 and can be purchased at the Detroit Opera House box office, by phone at (313) 237-SING, online at MichiganOpera.org, at TicketMaster outlets and by phone at (248) 645-6666.

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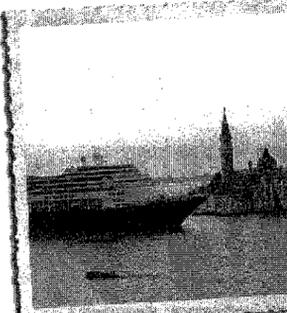
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ry. They will be wearing replicas of dresses worn to inaugural festivities.

The Petticoat Ladies came together 11 years ago to host an evening out for their church congregation. Once one of the guests requested the Petticoat Ladies performance at their church, word of this group began to spread. They have performed all around Michigan.

Tickets are \$5, in addition to regular museum admission

and refreshments will be served.

To purchase tickets, call (586) 774-5194.

The museum is located at 5401 Woodward, Detroit and is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. Sundays.

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## COSTUMES: Simple, quick and creative

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and employed by a local fabric store didn't hurt either.

A few months ago, she posted a flier promoting her talents to parents looking for someone to create their child's Halloween fantasy costumes.

"I saw all these people struggling with costume ideas and to me it's a no-brainer and I miss doing this for my kids," she said. "It's something I love to do and saw it as a way to make a little scratch this fall."

She's currently working on a poodle skirt for one lucky trick-or-treater and her sewing machine and fabric glue is flying across others. While she has the option of being elaborate on the costumes she creates, simple household items and a few thrift store finds can be turned into unique and easy costumes for the kiddies as well as adults.

A pillowcase can become just about anything. Elliott suggests cutting out a hole for the head and arms and using some fabric paint, the case can be transformed into a tuxedo.

Have a clear trash bag on

hand? Cut a hole in the bottom and for the arms, stuff with balloons of assorted colors, tie off at the bottom and you're a bag of jelly beans.

"Be careful when you sit; you don't want to break the balloons," she said with a laugh.

Take that same plastic bag, choose balloons in soft whites and pinks, add a shower cap and your taking a bath. Create a shower head out of a funnel wrapped in tin foil, add tinsel for the water and the costume becomes more elaborate.

Hoodie sweatshirts are also a great starter piece. Grab some felt, cut out some rabbit, cat, dog or any animal ears and glue them on top. Get some face paint, go to town and you can create a zoo, she said, adding that investing in Fabric Tac, a glue made especially for fabrics, will cut down on time and frustration.

"Nothing comes apart with that stuff," she said.

Have extra time? Add some long fringe and create a lion.

Have a cape lying around or access to a cheap one?

"A cape can become almost anything," she said. "You can be your own super hero."

Elliott also suggested perusing pattern books for ideas and think of ready-made inexpensive items that can be substituted for the main pieces.

Still stuck? Step into the fabric store and ask for help.

"There are a lot of creative people there," she said. "We can help you find the fabric and tell you how to do it." And tell them Elliott sent you.

For more ideas, turn to the Internet. Here's a few using simple items from Familyeducation.com and other sources — and remember to compensate for heavy clothing when making necessary cuts.

### Box costumes:

◆ Paint it silver; glue on a few gears and buttons and be a robot.

◆ Paint it red, tack on some paper plate wheels and it's a race car.

◆ Paint it white; add a handle and be a refrigerator.

◆ Paint it light tan and tack on a small flat box. Draw on a keyboard and become a computer.

◆ Wrap it in Christmas paper; add a large bow and it's a Christmas present.

◆ Paint it bright colors and fashion a crank from tin foil and be a jack-in-the-box.

◆ Put a table cloth on the box and cut a hole in the center of both. Cut another hole in the center of a plastic silver platter large enough for the wearer's head to fit through and glue over the existing box hole.

Add some plastic place settings and you're a head on a silver platter.

◆ Be a Rubik's cube by cutting a hole in the center of a large box big enough to fit the wearer's head and one on each side for armholes. Use five different colors of contact or construction paper to create the design.

◆ Lego Block — Cut a hole in the center and on sides for head and arms. Hot glue six cottage cheese containers (yogurt for the younger kids) on the top of the box like a



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Here's looking at creatively dressed trick-or-treaters.

Lego piece. Find another box to fit over the wearer's head and glue another container at the center. Spray paint any color or match to sweats.

◆ Become a dresser the cheap or more expensive way. Purchase a ready-made cardboard dresser from a discount store and cut a hole in the top for the head and sides for the arms.

Add foam to cushion the shoulders if desired. Hot glue a doily to the top and maybe some hair accessories and hang underwear, socks, shirt and pants out of the drawers. Put a lampshade to the wearer's head.

Using a cardboard box and adding smaller ones along the front to mimic drawers can substitute for the purchased product.

### No sew:

Tube of Toothpaste — Items needed: white sweats, a white standard size pillowcase, small white pleated lampshade, T-shirt transfer paper, fabric paints and brushes or felt, thin elastic, hot glue gun, scissors and face paint (optional).

Slit the seam on the end of the pillowcase for the per-

son's head to fit through, and slit openings on each side of the pillowcase for arms. Scan the logo from a tube of toothpaste and reverse to print on the T-shirt transfer paper.

Follow the instructions for applying the transfer to the pillowcase. If a scanner not available, use fabric paint to paint the logo on the pillowcase or cut out and glue on felt letters.

Pad the inside of the lampshade to make it a comfortable fit on the person's head and attach a small elastic chin strap.

◆ Tippi Hedren from "The Birds" — Items needed: dress, nylons, black shoes, blonde wig, fake blood, three black crows from craft store, hot glue gun. Cut small holes in the dress and lightly apply blood around holes. Pull back the hair on wig and tug until messy. Apply a bird to the back of the wig as if it's pecking at your head.

Put streaks of blood in hair.

Put on nylons and make runs and a few holes and put streaks of blood on legs.

Glue another bird to the shoulder of the dress as is if it's pecking on the neck and another onto one arm. Apply blood streaks like scrapes to face and hands.

Stuffed green olive — Items needed: Red sweats, red knit hat, red shoes or red spray paint, large green trash bag with tie handle, newspaper for stuffing and scissors. Spray paint a pair of old shoes red, if red shoes are not available. Dress in red clothing. Cut hole in bottom of trash bag large enough to slide over person's head, making sure the drawstring is at the bottom. Stuff bag with wadded newspaper and tighten drawstring until the stuffing stays in and the wearer can still walk. Put on a red cap and shoes.

◆ Spam Monster — Items needed: Printer, scissors, paper, duct tape, hooded sweatshirt and unsolicited e-mail. Print out about 40 Spam messages and trim so they are not all the same size. Crumple up some and fray the edges of others to add texture. Tape the messages all over your body haphazardly until completely covered. Print "IN-BOX" in bold letters and tape it to your forehead.

◆ Basket of laundry — clean or dirty — Purchase an inexpensive plastic laundry basket and cut a hole in the bottom big enough to fit over the wearer's head, but not too big that it passes over the hips.

Fill the basket with laundry and pin a few dryer softener sheets to your shirt.

## Scary movies pivotal in Halloween observance

Freddy, Jason, Pinhead and all the rest will share the spotlight in Halloween celebrations.

According to a national survey conducted by Redbox, an automated DVD rental service, scary movies will play a central role in Halloween celebrations this year.

The company recently asked customers to share how they plan to celebrate Halloween and which scary movies are a must-watch this season. The survey found that nearly 80 percent of respondents plan to incorporate a movie into their Halloween celebration.

How do Americans plan to celebrate Halloween? Attending Halloween parties (25.7 percent) and watching scary movies (25.1 percent) top this year's list of favorite activities, beating out trick-or-treating (24.4 percent) and visiting a haunted house (14.6 percent), the survey showed.

While it's clear that watching scary movies is a Halloween tradition, it also isn't for everyone. More than 23 percent of respondents admit they are too scared to watch scary movies - 31 percent of females and 10.5 percent of males. For those brave enough to watch frightening flicks, most set the mood (72.9 percent) by turning off the lights.

From classic horror flicks to modern-day thrillers, Halloween revelers have an incredible catalog of scary movie options.

According to the survey, the 1978 classic "Halloween" is the favorite scary movie of all

time. Other favorites include a more recent thriller, "Saw" (2004), and the 1980 Jack Nicholson hit, "The Shining." When it comes to sequels, respondents felt "Saw II" (2005), "Halloween II" (1981) and "Scream II" (1997) topped the list.

Which scary movie villain raises the most goose bumps? Men and women agreed that Hannibal Lecter from "The Silence of the Lambs" is the scariest villain (22.9 percent). Whereas women respondents found Freddy Krueger from "A Nightmare on Elm Street" to be the second scariest villain (17 percent), men found Michael Meyers from "Halloween" more frightening (19 percent).

Though Neve Campbell might disagree, Ghostface from "Scream" was reported as the least scary villain.

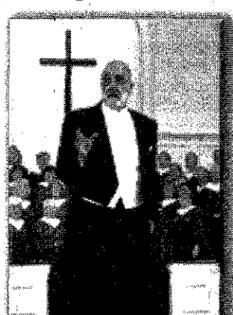
Every good villain needs a damsel in distress, but the best "damsel" appears to be a matter of opinion. While men felt Jamie Lee Curtis in "Halloween" played the best role (27.4 percent), women thought Jodie Foster in "The Silence of the Lambs" played a better would-be victim (29.3 percent).

This year a variety of scary and seasonal films for movie lovers everywhere include edge-of-your-seat thrillers such as "The Number 23" and "The Reaping," horror flicks including "28 Weeks Later" and "Night of the Living Dead 3D" and scary ghost stories including "The Haunting of #24."

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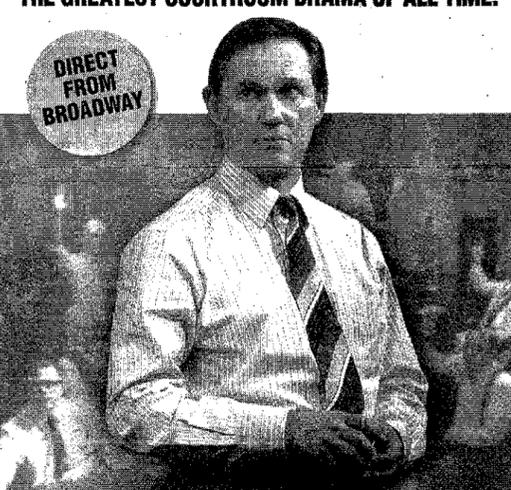
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DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

# Growing ornamental grasses



**W**e're getting to that time of year when thoughts of "winter interest" come into a gardener's head.

I think of the beautiful snow or sleet landing on the ornamental grasses along Cook

Road and Mack.

Coupled with the news that the "water police" in three states are fining and cutting off service to people caught watering their lawns and the New Mexico legislator who thinks we should share our water with them, it may be time to rethink the kinds of plants we have in our gardens. And, the types of gardens we plant.

One option is ornamental grass. Designing a garden with ornamental grasses is part of the new American garden, says the Michigan Gardener's

Guide (by Boland, Coit, Hair). Ornamental grasses "add elegance, a rustling sound, and graceful movement to the garden in a way few other plants can," the guide states. The authors suggest planting ornamental grasses "in drifts or swaths or as accents in the shrub or perennial border, where their fine texture will make for dramatic contrast."

Another reason to consider ornamental grasses is ease of care. While most are perennial, they come in an extraordinary variety of sizes and colors, in-

cluding warm maroon-reds, yellows, blues, assorted greens and variegated forms. If grasses are cut back late in the winter, once the bulbs begin to bloom and die back, the grasses will cover the yellow foliage of the bulbs.

The choices of ornamental grasses are overwhelming. With our part-shaded garden, purple fountain grass was my choice this summer. Pennisetum alopecuroides "Rubrum" is hardy in Zones 9 to 11 and considered an annual in the Grosse Pointes. I will not pull it up this fall to overwinter indoors because I'm hoping it will offer winter interest in that part of the garden where other plants will die back to the ground.

Dr. Art Cameron of the Michigan State University Department of Horticulture and the previously mentioned Michigan Gardener's Guide offer the following choices for ornamental grasses:

◆ Blue Oat Grass (Helictotrichon sempervirens) is listed as a "medium beauty" of 3 to 5 feet by Cameron, its foliage shimmers and shows itself in the earlier parts of spring.

◆ Feather Reed Grass (Calamagrostis X acutiflora "Karl Foerster") prefers full sun but will tolerate some shade. If you're looking for a four season effect, this is your plant. It also grows 3 to 5 feet tall.

◆ Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium) is a Michigan native, very

## What's going on?

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◆ Cutting Back the Rambunctious Garden, 1 to 4 p.m., Sat., Nov. 3 at the Belle Isle Nature Zoo, auditorium and in the garden. Instructor Janet Macunovich will lecture and offer handouts, outdoor demonstrations and hands-on pruning experience. The fee is \$35. Call the Detroit Garden Center at (313) 259-6363.

drought tolerant and grows 2 to 4 feet. Another botanical name for this plant is Andropogon scoparium.

◆ Miscanthus (Miscanthus sinensis) is another "medium beauty." Choose hardy early-flowering types for Michigan gardens. Suggested varieties are Graziella, Little Nicky, Morning Light and Rigoletto.

◆ Pennisetum (Pennisetum alopecuroides) is one fountain grass that depicts its name. Pinkish-purple bottlebrush flowers appear and catch the summer light resembling a fountain.

◆ Prairie Dropseed (Sporobolus heterolepis) is not listed by Cameron but Boland, Coit and Hair suggest the native variety for a cilantro-like fragrance when in bloom. It grows to 24 inches.

◆ Switch Grass (Panicum virgatum) is another American native listed a "medium beau-

ty." For burgundy colorations, also called red switch grass, choose Rotstrahlbusch or Shenandoah.

◆ Moor Grass (Molinia literalis or caerulea) is delicate but tall. Consider this for masses, screens and specimens, as they grow 5 to 10 feet. Suggestions are Skyracer and Windspiel. The shortest selection is Staefa.

◆ Wild Oats (Chasmanthium latifolium), also known as Northern sea oats, is a little more temperamental and is a self-sower. However, its winter appeal may be worth it. Beautiful in three seasons, it is native to the woodlands and riverbanks of the eastern U.S. and grows 2 to 3 feet.

Be sure to do your homework before planting one of these beauties. Research and make a list of your favorites. Visit local nurseries and ask questions or get a catalog from Kurt Bluemel at kurbloemel.com. Check the library or bookstore for these books recommended by Cameron: "The Color Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses" (Darke) for design ideas; browse the photos and descriptions in "Designing with Plants" (Oudolf); or check "Taylor's Guide to Ornamental Grasses."

Pull up some lawn and plant ornamentals.

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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

# Jazz up Brussel sprouts



When I was a little girl, I thought Brussels sprouts were tiny heads of iceberg lettuce. Now, I view the green little rounds as a flavorful vegetable option.

## Brussels sprouts with bacon and leeks

1 pound bacon  
2 pounds Brussels sprouts  
4 tablespoons walnut oil, divided  
1 teaspoon each salt and

pepper (plus more to taste)  
2 cups thinly sliced leeks (about 1 small bunch)

Cut the bacon into 1 inch pieces and cook in a skillet over medium heat until it starts to become crisp. Transfer to a paper towel and set aside. Meanwhile, bring a medium pot of water to a boil and cook the sprouts for five minutes. Drain and allow to cool long enough to handle. Cut each of the Brussels sprouts in half and place in a medium bowl.

Toss the cut sprouts with 2 tablespoons of the walnut oil and the salt and pepper. Heat a large skillet over medium heat and add the Brussels sprouts with the cut side down in the

skillet. Allow to cook for at least 5 minutes (so the cut side of the sprouts begins to brown up). Add the leeks and continue to cook and toss for another five minutes or so. Add the cooked bacon to the skillet and cook for just another couple of minutes. Transfer the Brussels sprouts mixture to a serving bowl. Drizzle the remaining 2 tablespoons of walnut oil over the sprouts and gently toss. Taste and season with more salt and pepper if desired.

The browner the cut side of the sprouts becomes, the sweeter they will taste. The flavor from the bacon is a compliment to the vegetables. A pinch or two of crushed red pepper.

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## King's on deck

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# Season ends with a victory

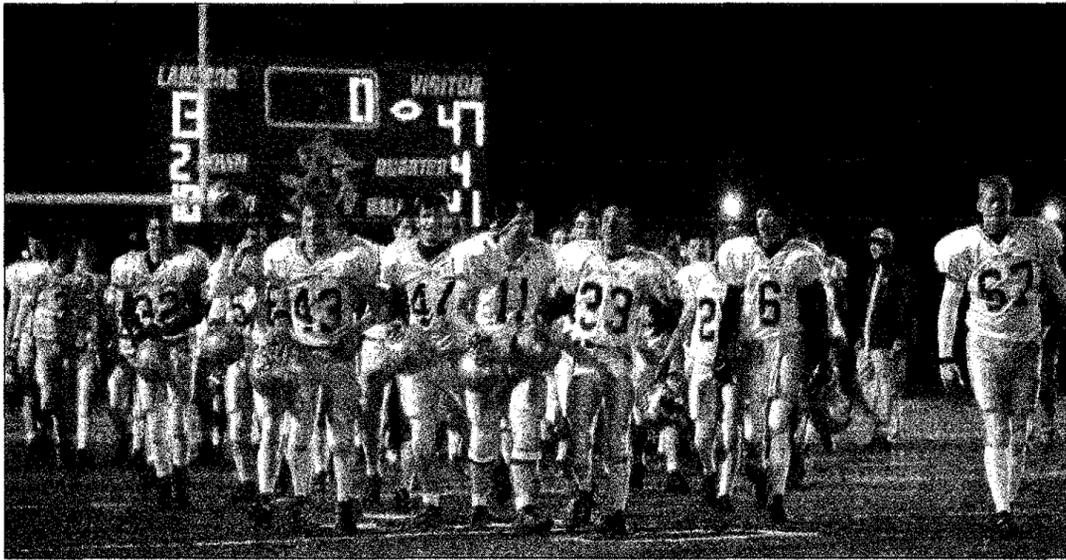


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Grosse Pointe South's football team leaves the field after closing out the regular season with a 47-13 victory at L'Anse Creuse.

## Blue Devils finish with 5-4 record but miss the playoffs

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

47-13 victory in the Macomb Area Conference crossover game.

Tim Brandon got a jolt when he looked at one of the local newspapers last Friday morning.

The Grosse Pointe South football coach was checking the predictions for the high school games, and he saw that L'Anse Creuse was picked to beat the Blue Devils by two points.

"I don't usually read those things, but all of a sudden I'm wondering, 'what did I miss?' I didn't think (L'Anse Creuse) was that good," Brandon said. "I even went back and watched some of their game films, just to see if there was something we'd overlooked."

It didn't take long for South's players to learn of their coach's new-found concern.

"Here I was, all nervous about the game, and they're sitting around loose and lackadaisical," Brandon said. "I started yelling at them, telling them, we've got to take this more serious."

As it turned out, Brandon's concerns were unfounded because South dominated from start to finish on the way to a

The win gave the Blue Devils a 5-4 record, but it wasn't enough to get South into the state playoffs as a record 251 high school teams had the six wins — or five if a team played eight games — needed to automatically earn a playoff berth.

Brandon also learned of the injustice of the playoff system.

Two teams that play in the lower divisions of the MAC, yet have a larger enrollment than South, got the six victories necessary to qualify for the playoffs. Both Warren-Mott and L'Anse Creuse North are likely to make early exits because they'll play unbeaten Cousino and Dakota, respectively.

"If we played in the Blue, we'd have probably been 7-2, but I don't want to move down," Brandon said. "The White Division is perfect for us. I like competing against the better teams."

Aside from the disappointment of missing the playoffs, Brandon was delighted with his first season at the helm of the Blue Devils.

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## North tennis team finishes in ninth

A first-place tie in the Division II regional and a top 10 finish in the state meet capped a successful season for Grosse Pointe North's tennis team.

The Norsemen won at least one match in every flight at the

state championships in Jenison, highlighted by a trip to the semifinals for the No. 3 doubles team of Jimmy Coon and Lenny Han-Voth.

After drawing a first-round bye, Coon and Han-Voth beat Holly 6-4, 7-5, then upset top-

seeded Bloomfield Hills Lahser 6-0, 6-3.

Coon and Han-Voth finally lost in the semifinals to eventual state champion Okemos.

North's second and fourth doubles team each reached the quarterfinal round.

At No. 2, Eric Kiska and David Adelman beat Wyandotte Roosevelt 6-1, 6-2 before losing to top-seeded Okemos in the quarterfinals.

In fourth doubles, North's

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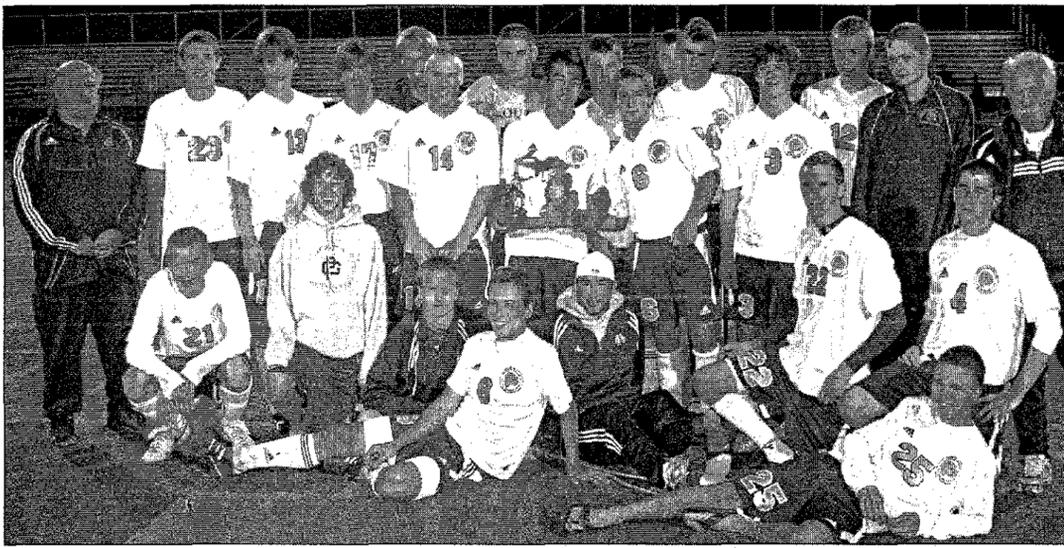
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## District champs

Grosse Pointe South's soccer team celebrates after winning a Division I district championship with a 3-0 victory against Livonia Franklin last week. Brian Auty opened the Blue Devils scoring after taking a pass from Christopher Thomas. Thomas scored South's other two goals, one after taking a touch pass from Auty and the other with a little over a minute remaining in the match.

## North booters lose a heartbreaker

If De LaSalle's soccer team goes on to win another Division I state championship, the Pilots will consider themselves fortunate to have gotten past Grosse Pointe North in the district championship game at Berkley last week.

De LaSalle's Jeff Gonyea finally scored on the sixth shootout attempt to nip the Norsemen 2-1.

After the Pilots scored the decisive goal, De LaSalle goalkeeper Shawn Mukhtar barely got a hand on North's attempt and deflected it out of danger.

It was a disappointing defeat for the Norsemen, but they left the field knowing that they had given their best effort.

North controlled the first 20 minutes of the match, and had several excellent scoring chances, but couldn't snap the scoreless tie.

De LaSalle then scored to make it 1-0.

The second half was back and forth with the Pilots clinging to their slim lead until with six minutes remaining, North's Rubin Bega got the equalizer.

North had a free kick and

the ball landed in the pack in front of the goal. After several ricochets, Bega got a shot past Mukhtar.

The game remained 1-1 through the rest of regulation and two overtime periods.

North got an early edge in the first shootout round, but De LaSalle pulled into a tie on its final attempt.

North advanced to the championship match with a 3-1 win against East Detroit and a 6-1 victory over Berkley.

In the East Detroit game, Bega had two goals and James

Graney had the other one for the Norsemen, who took control of the match in the second half.

North pulled away from a 1-1 halftime tie in the Berkley game.

The Norsemen's balanced scoring paid off as they got goals from Bega, Graney, Kyle Nadeau, Ryan Puckett and Brad Vandevorde.

In both games, North goalie Alex Kirles played well with strong defensive support from Vandevorde, Dan Bohannon, Steve VanBeek and Ron Mack.

## Knights win district title

Most high school soccer teams have one shutdown defensive player — the guy who can take the opponent's leader scorer out of the game.

However, when a team has a pair of prolific scorers, it's difficult to shut both of them down.

That's what could make University Liggett School one of the favorites in this year's Division IV state tournament.

"In our division, teams have one good defender who can handle one big scorer, but they have problems matching up with two of them," ULS coach David Backhurst said, after the Knights won their district championship with a 4-1 victory against Bloomfield Hills Roeser.

ULS has those two high-scoring players in Patrick Gustine and Jack Fisher.

Gustine's two goals against Roeser gave him 28 for the season, while Fisher, who had three assists, also scored against the Rough Riders to increase his season total to 20 goals.

"It's been a long time since we've had two players score that many goals," Backhurst said. "I'd have to check the records to see if we've ever had two players combine for 48 goals like that."

ULS's scoring punch doesn't end there.

Rory Deane also scored against Roeser, and he had three goals in the Knights' 7-0 victory against Macomb Christian in the district semifinal.

Noah Saganski has also scored some important goals for ULS during the regular season.

ULS turned in a strong performance against Roeser, which upset Royal Oak Shrine 2-1 in the district semifinal.

"It was probably our best game of the year," Backhurst said. "I was really pleased with the way we came out and carried the play. We had very few lapses. We were really into the flow of the game."

ULS began attacking from the opening kickoff and got on the scoreboard at 11:39 of the first half. Fisher came down the middle of the field, and sent a perfect pass to Gustine, who was running stride-for-stride with him down the left sideline. Roeser's goalie seemed to expect Fisher to take the shot and when Gustine got the pass, he wasn't able to recover in time.

ULS made it 2-0 at 17:24. Fisher's shot appeared to be going wide, but Deane was coming up on the play and redirected it into the net.

Things were going smoothly for the Knights, but all of a sudden they found themselves in a precarious position.

Roeser's Brad George blocked a clearing attempt by the Knights, went in alone on goalie Mark Ghafari and drilled a perfect shot that the ULS netminder had no chance to stop, cutting the lead to 2-1 with 11:54 left in the first half.

"(George) is a super player,"

Backhurst said. "He scored two goals against us the first time we played (a 3-2 ULS victory), so we made a special effort to keep an eye on him. Tim Boll did a good job of marking him."

George was the leading vote getter for the all-district team and he's a likely first-team All-State player.

ULS continued to control the play, but the Knights didn't restore their two-goal cushion until Fisher set up Gustine for his second goal of the game a little more than 12 minutes into the second half. It was typical of the crisp, accurate passing that ULS displayed throughout the match.

Fisher completed the Knights' scoring with a header into the net after a crossing pass from Gustine.

"Lots of times you'll see a header like that go over the net, but Jack did a nice job of getting it down," Backhurst said.

ULS finished with a 20-7 shot advantage, thanks to a strong defensive effort from sweeper Curtis Fisher, Boll, Aaron Heaney and Peter Rentschler.

"It was just a good team defensive effort," Backhurst said. "Everybody did their part. After the game, Roeser's coach told me that he was surprised at how much we had improved since we played them early in the year."

ULS's victory against Macomb Christian was even more dominant than the Roeser game.

Jack Fisher was held out of the match to rest a minor injury, and the Knights didn't need him.

Gustine opened the scoring at 3:17, and Heaney and Dan Zukas' added goals before the first half ended.

Heaney's goal came on a header after a throw-in by Curtis Fisher and Zukas' goal was a hard shot from the 18-yard line.

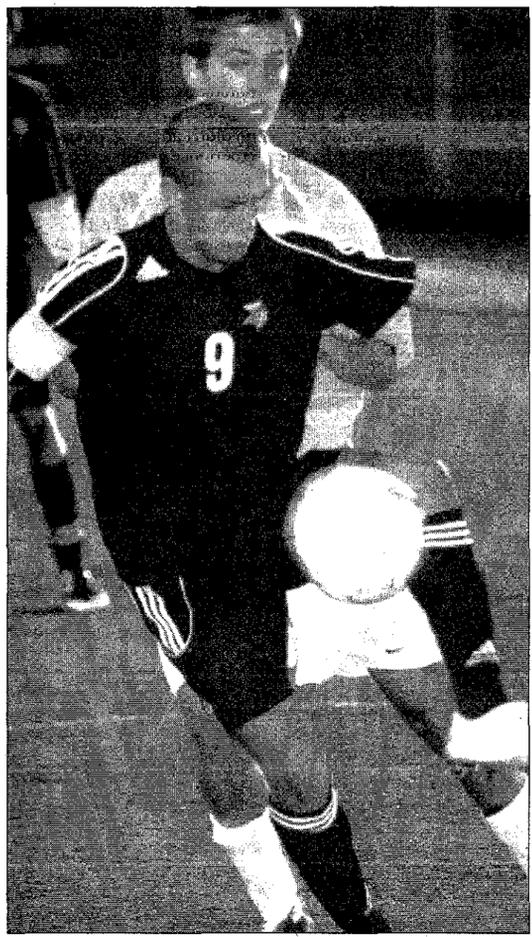
ULS made it 5-0 during the first three minutes of the second half on goals by Zukas and the first of three by Deane. Deane headed in a crossing pass from Judd Demartini at 8:16 and he completed his hat trick with the Knights' final goal at 19:01.

"We were able to get everybody a lot of playing time and we were able to get our starters out and give them some rest," Backhurst said.

The two district victories improved the Knights' overall record to 15-3-2, their best mark since the state championship season of 1999.

ULS played Oakland Christian in the regional semifinal at Oakland Christian. In the other semifinal, Genesee Christian played Unionville-Sebewaing. The regional championship game will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Oakland Christian.

"I like the way we're playing," Backhurst said. "We seem to be peaking at the right time."



Grosse Pointe North's Rubin Bega controls the ball against De La Salle.

## South tennis gets in the state top 10

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's No. 3 doubles team of Caleb Neumeyer and Rob Montgomery were the upset kings of this year's Division I state tennis tournament.

And, if it wasn't for a sprained ankle Montgomery suffered in the quarterfinals, there's no telling what the two Blue Devils would have accomplished.

"Rob sprained his ankle in the second set against Grandville," said South coach Tom Berschback. "He kept playing, but he wasn't himself." After winning the first set 6-4, Neumeyer and Montgomery played tough in the next two but lost 7-6, 6-4.

It was what they did in their first two matches that had everyone taking notice.

Montgomery and Neumeyer were unseeded so they drew unseeded Ann Arbor Pioneer in the first round and won 6-4, 6-0.

"That second set was as perfect as they'll ever play," Berschback said.

That sent the South team into its next match against an undefeated team from Port Huron Northern and Montgomery and Neumeyer posted a 5-7, 6-1, 6-4 victory.

"It was a mistake that we weren't seeded and that match showed it," Berschback said. "By beating Port Huron Northern, we also saved Pioneer. If Northern had won, they'd have finished first."

Pioneer took first place in the team standings. South was

10th with 10 points.

"Our goal was to finish in the top 10 and we did," Berschback said. "We played very well. I'm proud of the way my kids played."

South's No. 2 doubles team of Ryan Leslie and Joel Vandermale reached the semifinals before losing to Pioneer, which won the flight.

In their first two matches, Leslie and Vandermale beat Novi 6-2, 6-0 and defeated a strong West Bloomfield team 1-6, 6-2, 6-4.

At No. 1 doubles, Reid Dixon and Matt Halso beat L'Anse Creuse North 6-2, 6-2 before losing to third-seeded Novi 6-3, 6-1.

South's No. 4 doubles team of Matt Keane and Brendan Petz defeated fourth-seeded Ann Arbor Huron 6-4, 6-3, but lost in the next round to Pioneer, which was the fifth seed.

South got some difficult draws in singles and won only one match.

At No. 1 singles, Alex Parker beat Eisenhower 6-3, 6-2, but lost his next match to the No. 3 seed from Grand Blanc.

Bryan Cenko lost his first match to the second singles flight winner from Novi Catholic Central; Kevin Jones lost to second seeded Port Huron Northern at No. 3 singles; and John Willard dropped his first match to the fourth seed and finalist.

"We fought hard, but the people we faced were just too good for us," Berschback said. "We weren't seeded and we didn't have any luck with the draws."

## North swimmers beat Fraser

Maresa Leto and Jenny Rusch each won two events to lead Grosse Pointe North to a 127-59 victory against Fraser in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division swimming meet.

Leto won the 200- and 500-yard freestyle events, Jackie Shea won the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke, while Rusch won the 50 and 100 freestyle races.

Other firsts came from Hannah Everett, 100 butterfly; Emily Turnbull, 100 backstroke; and Jenna Simon, diving.

Several Norsemen posted season-best times — Dolores Sinistaj and Sarah Hawkins, 50 freestyle; Sarah Cullen, Meghan Tripp, Courtney Rusch and Julia Thibault, 100 freestyle; and Cullen, 200IM.

## South swimmers have motivation to drop times

There was a reason for the good times turned in by Grosse Pointe South at the Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association meet.

"They had extra motivation to swim fast since the South homecoming dance was held later that evening," said Blue Devils coach Todd Briggs.

South's best finish was a second place from the 200-yard medley relay team of Tori Bruce, Jennifer Dunaway, Kendall Effinger and Molly DeWald.

It was a season-best time for the group.

Other top 30 finishes came from Effinger and Jackie Stevens in the 100 butterfly; DeWald in the 100 freestyle;

Nora Oliver, 500 freestyle; the 200 freestyle relay team of Lindsey Phillips, Kacey Murphy, Ellen Henrichs and Katy Strek; Bruce, 100 backstroke; and Dunaway, Oddo, DeWald and Abby Constant, 100 breaststroke.

Oliver, Phillips, Murphy, Bailey Powell, Constant, DeWald, Kyla Cools, Caroline Wilkinson and Michelle Champagne posted season-best times.

South qualified 17 swimmers for the meet, which is open to the top 60 swimmers in each event.

The Blue Devils, ranked 11th in the state, had one of the largest contingents at the MIS-CA meet.



Rory Deane scores a goal for University Liggett School in its 4-1 victory against Roeser in a district championship game.

# Blue Devils lose by a point

A single point was all that stood between Grosse Pointe South and a clean sweep of boys cross country in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Although injuries and illness have plagued the Blue Devils all season, they still managed to post a combined 12-0 record in the two MAC Red jamboree meets.

However, in Saturday's MAC Red Championships at Metropolitan Beach Metropark, the absence of key runners was a little bit too much to overcome.

Only 16 of South's 33 runners were able to compete, but the Blue Devils thought they might still be able to win their second straight MAC Red division meet.

It wasn't to be, however, as Eisenhower finished with 44 points and South had 45. Grosse Pointe North was third with 89 points.

"Once the race started, I knew I had trained Jack Davies a little too hard last week," said South coach Tom Wise.

"He was struggling, but still managed an eighth-place finish."

Edwin Gay and Kevin Lynch finished second and third, respectively, for the Blue Devils. Joel Gilpin returned to the South lineup after a lengthy absence and earned a berth on the all-conference team with Gay, Lynch and Davies.

Fred Schaible was 20th overall, while Trent Lattimore and Mike Bellovich rounded out the varsity lineup.

"We'll make drastic changes in our workout schedule this week in preparation for Saturday's regional meet," Wise said.

The Division I regional will be run on the same course as the MAC Red Championships. North's Dan Surmont was

10th overall in 17:38 and the Norsemen's Matt VanEgmond joined him on the all-conference second team with a 17:54 that gave him 14th place.

They were followed by Mark Miotto in 19th; Alex Kopacka, 22nd; and Jon Chow, 24th.

"Overall it was a decent performance for us as a team," said North coach Dan Quinn. "We would have liked to be the ones to knock off South, but we were pleased with the way the boys ran. We've been third all year (in the division) and we continue to be third."

"Hopefully, we can use the momentum that we've had going the past few weeks to secure a solid regional performance. Like Tom said, it isn't going to be easy for North or South to get out of the regional. This is probably the most competitive regional meet we've had in almost 20 years."

The Division I girls race is scheduled for 10 a.m., while

the Division I boys are scheduled to go off at 11:30.

North dominated the junior varsity MAC Red race, taking the first five places behind Jeff Graves, Sean Bourke, Paul Joseph, David Padalino and Kyle Lacey. Andrew Charnesky, Corey Rapala, Andrew Kopacka and Forest Carmer also finished among the top 13.

Mike Seago, Paul Johnson and Greg Hicks had personal records for North.

South also had some solid JV performances.

"Dan Firl and Cody Low medaled in the JV race, and the Wilkins brothers, Tom and Scott, had great efforts," Wise said.

Earlier in the week, North ran in the Hanson's Freshman-Sophomore meet at Delia Park in Sterling Heights.

Padalino, Lacey and Andrew Kopacka earned medals for finishing in the top 10.

ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

## Michigan sailor on Olympic team



A sailor is the first athlete with roots in Michigan to appear on the roster of the U.S. Olympic team for the 2008 Games in Beijing.

Anna Tunnicliffe, a member of North Cape Yacht Club in LaSalle near Monroe, won the Laser Radial class last weekend in a 16-week series in Newport, Rhode Island. The No. 1 world-ranked Laser sailor competed here in Detroit last month at the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship.

She calls Plantation, Fla. home now, but always lists Lake Erie's North Cape as her home club. Without jinxing her, I'd say her prospects for Olympic glory are promising. She won the Olympic Test Event in August. You can follow her career at [www.annatunnicliffe.com](http://www.annatunnicliffe.com).

A couple of other Michigan sailors competed in the Olympic Trials last week, held concurrently on two coasts. While the Lasers and the three divisions for the Paralympic sailors sailed in Rhode Island, the remaining classes raced in California.

Among those competitors were Lauren Sinclair, of Grosse Pointe Farms, who crewed for skipper Sara Fox, of Cumberland, Maine in the 470 class. Robert Teitge, of Grosse Pointe Shores, skippered in the Star class.

Sailing is one of the first sports to name its Olympic team — synchronized swimming has two Californians confirmed for competition in China next year and the 11-member boxing roster is finalized.

A local Olympic sailing hopeful, Carrie Howe, of Grosse Pointe, has to wait a few more months to make it official. She's part of the three-woman Yngling team that's far and away the leading American team for women's keelboats.

The U.S. Yngling representative for Beijing will be chosen based on combined finishes at last summer's Combined Olympic Class World Championship in Cascais, Portugal, and February's Yngling Women's World Championships in Miami. Howe's team, led by skipper Sally Barkow, finished second at the Portugal event.

While all of the classes competing in the Olympic Trials offered great racing, dramatic story lines, sweet victory and heartbreak, skipper John Dane

III's win in the Star class is the most compelling.

At age 57 he raced with his son in law, Austin Sperry to take a bullet in the final race. They're off to Beijing.

Dane should be an inspiration to all of us. Personally, I'll be a more than decade younger than he is now in 2012 for the London games — when women's match racing just might make its debut...One can dream.

Speaking of match racing, in an event followed by dozens of us from our office computers (ssshhh!), the Canada's Cup resulted in Team Heartbreaker bringing the trophy back to the land of the Stars & Stripes.

Alan Block, popularly known as "Mr. Clean", and his wife, Meredith, "Mrs. Clean" of course, provided play-by-play updates, fast photos and YouTube video as racing was held in Toronto Friday through Monday. If this is the future of sailing coverage, a lot of productivity is going to be lost at sailors' offices!

Winning by five seconds after nine races in a variety of conditions, Team Heartbreaker — including Grosse Pointe Woods' Wally Cross — and skipper Bob Hughes will take the silver trophy to Lake Macatawa. We'll check in with him on his plans for the next go-round. Judging from the audience online for this year, there are quite a few Grosse Pointe match racers interested...

Chris Van Tol, who might be one of those, spent last week with the "big boys," racing in the King Edward VII Gold Cup in Bermuda, the lead-off event for the 2008 professional match racing world tour. At just 1-5 after his subgroup, Van Tol didn't advance, but said the experience was as good as the island's legendary Dark 'N Stormy drinks.

"Although our finish was disappointing, the Bermuda Gold Cup still felt like an accomplishment for our team as we were participating in our first World Match Race Tour event against some of the best professional sailors in the world," Van Tol says. "The event provides spectacular spectating for the crowds with close racing. Our team will adjust our training strategies and hope to keep the pendulum on the upswing for 2008."

His crew was brother John, Mark Pinney, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, Mike Hoey, of Harrison Township, and Libby Christy, of Chicago.

Grosse Pointe Park's Debi Schoenherr was among the international umpires judging the event.

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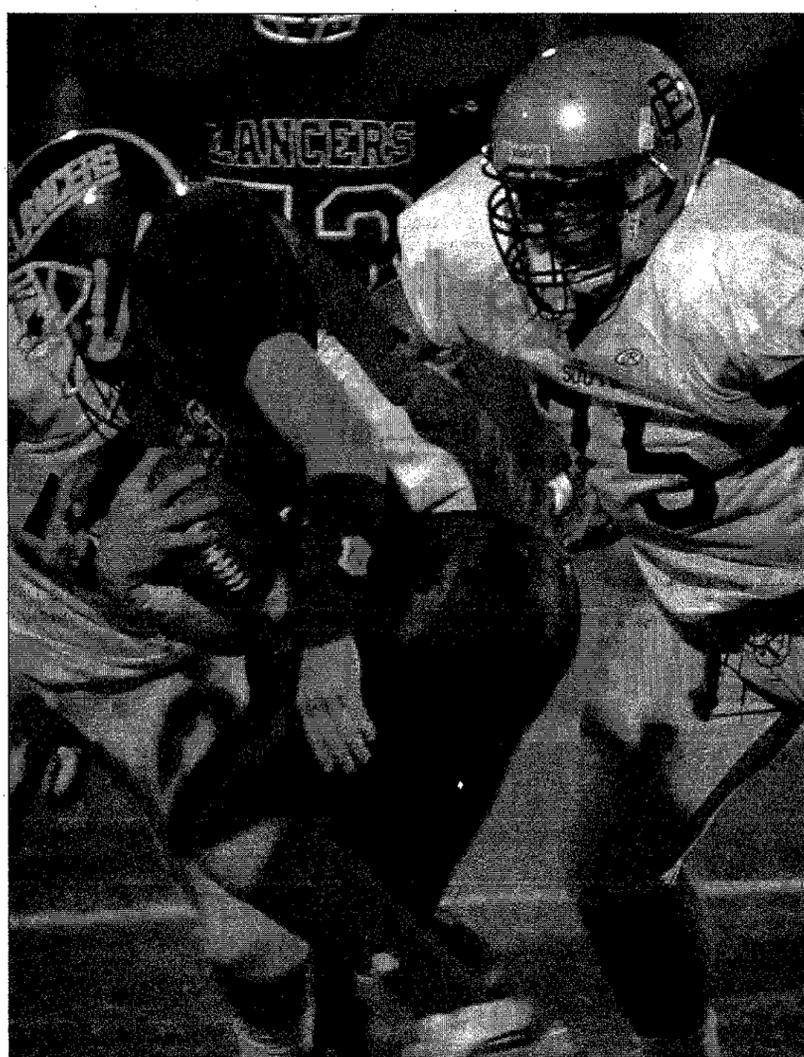


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Grosse Pointe South's Phil Lewis brings down a L'Anse Creuse ball carrier.

## SOUTH: Costa runs for 220 yards

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"We made a lot of progress with our program," he said. "We took a couple of big steps. There were just a handful of plays that kept us from winning two more games, and were competitive in every game."

South gave Cousino its biggest scare of the season, losing 20-14 in overtime, and the Blue Devils also lost 20-14 to crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North.

"When you step back and look at this season, you have to be very happy with it," Brandon said. "We had a great group of seniors who were willing to do whatever it took to help the team. It was a close group that played for each other."

"We never had one problem. Nobody left the team, and that's unheard of in this day and time. It was a fun season. It just flew by. In 18 years of coaching, I've never had a season that was more enjoyable."

South will incur some heavy graduation losses. The Blue Devils started 18 seniors, and they'll have to be replaced.

"We'll have a lot of holes to fill, but some of our key back-up people were juniors, and we have an excellent sophomore

class," Brandon said.

He was encouraged by the success throughout the program.

Not only did the varsity finish with a winning record, but the junior varsity was 6-3 and the freshman squad wound up with a 4-4-1 mark.

South was virtually unstoppable against L'Anse Creuse.

The Blue Devils scored on seven of their nine possessions. One ended with an interception and the other was at the end of the game, when South took a knee to let time expire.

If punter Mike Cytacki hadn't been pressed into duty on kickoffs, because regular kicker Sean McLoughlin was playing in a district final soccer game, his kicking leg wouldn't have been needed. The Blue Devils didn't punt once.

South scored on its first possession, marching 43 yards in seven plays. Running back James Costa, who carried 23 times for 220 yards and went over the 1,000-yard mark for the season. He carried five times for 42 yards in the drive that ended with quarterback Mark Riashi hitting tight end Reid Fragel for a one-yard touchdown.

The Blue Devils' next scoring drive of 94 yards chewed up some seven minutes before fullback Tom Carion went in from the one. The big plays in the drive were a 17-yard run by Costa and a 19-yard pass from Riashi to Fragel.

South's next three scores

came much quicker.

Costa scored on a 45-yard run and Mike Herzog, filling in for McLoughlin on extra points, kicked the first of his five conversions to make it 19-0 with eight minutes left in the first half.

The Lancers got on the scoreboard on a nine-yard run by quarterback Scott Nuyttens after Martell Betts' interception gave L'Anse Creuse the ball on the South 35.

South came back to score twice in the last two minutes of the first half. Costa scored on a three-yard run and Riashi went in from the four after L'Anse Creuse turned the ball over on downs at its own 16 after a pass from punt formation was dropped by the intended receiver.

Jimmy Saros set up Riashi's touchdown with a 12-yard run on a reverse.

The second half was more of the same for the Blue Devils.

Riashi and Saros hooked up on a 16-yard scoring strike midway through the third quarter and Patrick Mollison capped the South scoring with a three-yard run with 1:37 remaining in the third quarter.

L'Anse Creuse scored the game's final touchdown on a 12-yard pass from Nuyttens to Mike Dyjewski with 4:05 remaining.

Sophomore defensive back Charles Getz led South with six tackles, while Carion, James Ruble and Saros each had five.

## FIELD HOCKEY

# Knights win two in field hockey

University Liggett School's field hockey team continued its remarkable season with a pair of shutout victories in its most recent action.

In a 3-0 victory against Detroit Country Day, the Knights took care of all the scoring in the first half.

Luisa Myavec opened the scoring with a deflection from Whitney Baubie early in the game.

Rachel Goldberg made it 2-0 with an assist from Monica Drettman off a free hit into the attacking circle.

Myavec scored again late in the half assisted by Paige Counsman.

"In the second half, energy was stagnant after a raised ball injured Whitney Baubie, but the Knights kept fighting and made Country Day work hard to generate any attack," said ULS coach Tamara Fobare.

"Monica Drettman had a solid game at center halfback. She provided offensive support with her drives to the attack line, as well as defensive support to stop the Country Day attack. Charlotte Waldmeir also played a good defensive game, stopping the Country Day forwards from penetrating."

Fobare also praised midfielders Raleigh Dettlinger, Natalie Boll and Jacqueline Nicholas, and forwards Counsman, Simone LaHood, Myavec and Goldberg for their quick passing up the field.

Goalie Janaya Gripper recorded her sixth shutout.

Gripper got shutout No. 7 in the next game as ULS blanked the Washtenaw Whippets 1-0.

Luisa Myavec scored the only goal of the game in the first half.

"The Whippets were very scrappy and tough to get through from the midfield to their goalkeeper," Fobare said. "Their goalie was aggressive and agile and even with pressure, we couldn't finish with a goal."

"Anna Myavec's and Janaya Gripper's poise on defense were key in shutting down the Whippets' breakaways."

Janaya had eight saves, most of them from breakaway situations or when our defense was still on the recovery, trying to catch up to the Whippets' attack."

The two victories improved the Knights' record to 10-1-2.

ULS hosts Washtenaw in their state tournament opener on Friday, Oct. 26.

The winner of that game plays the winner of the Country Day-Grosse Pointe South game.

That game is scheduled for Tuesday Oct. 30.

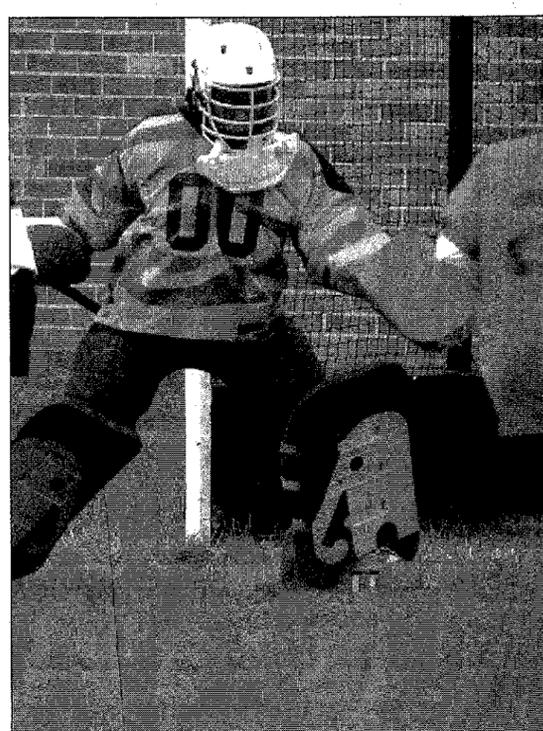


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University Liggett School goalie Janaya Gripper makes a save against the Washtenaw Whippets.

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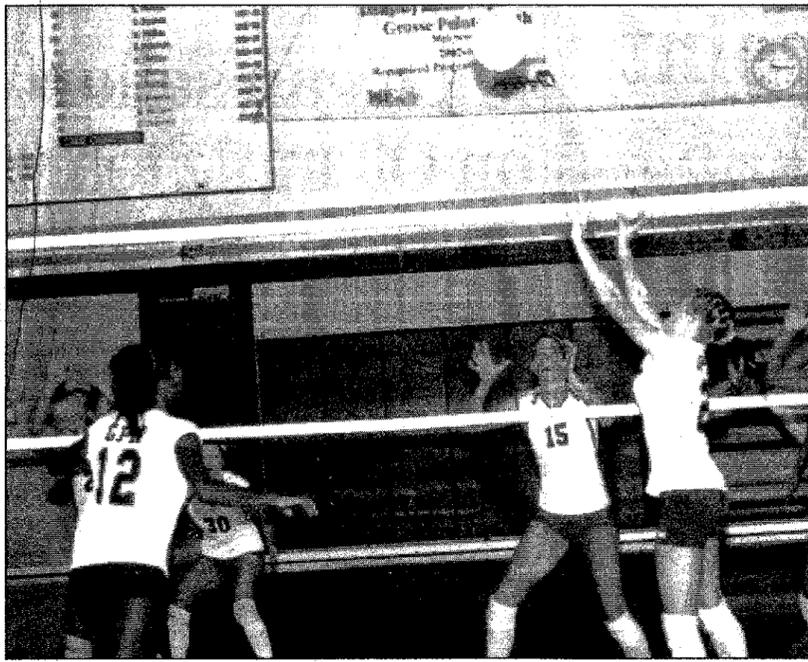


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Allison Liddane sets up Grosse Pointe North teammate Ariel Braker for a kill during last week's volleyball match with Anchor Bay.

## Good win for North spikers

Grosse Pointe North volleyball coach Kim Lockhart got just what she was looking for from her Norsemen in their Macomb Area Conference Red Division match with Anchor Bay last week.

"It was an exciting match to watch," Lockhart said after North's 25-16, 25-19, 25-22 victory. "Both teams were playing great defense and there were a lot of great rallies.

"I was excited to see the girls come together and play as a team. They displayed a lot of energy and they seemed to be very committed with each play. Everyone played well."

Ariel Braker had one of her finest games of the season with 17 kills and 11 blocks.

"Anchor Bay really had a difficult time getting the ball around her block," Lockhart said.

Christine Klein had eight kills.

"Madie Kent again had an extremely consistent game," Lockhart said. "She is so well-rounded — seven kills, 22 service points, 19 serve receptions and 25 digs."

Maggie Tignaneli also had an outstanding game with seven kills, two ace serves, 13 serve receptions and 16 digs. Jillian Kulka collected 17 serve receptions and 13 digs.

"She has really picked up her game lately and is playing with so much more control, and anticipating the roll shots

and tips," Lockhart said of Kulka.

"I'm proud of the way she has stepped up and taken control of her new position on the court."

Setter Allison Liddane, who had 40 assists, also earned praise from her coach.

"She is continuously improving," Lockhart said. "She has the toughest job on the court and I believe she is finally taking control of her job and seeing the court much more effectively."

Sarah Perry had five blocks, seven digs and three kills.

North improved to 26-6-2 overall and 7-3 in the MAC Red, where the Norsemen are tied for second with Fraser.

# North gets ready for unbeaten foe

It isn't the playoff matchup that Grosse Pointe North's football team had hoped for, but the Norsemen plan to make the most of their game with Detroit King.

"We thought De La Salle would be in our district and they'd draw King in the first round and we'd play (Detroit) Northwestern, but (the MH-SAA) put Ferndale in our district instead of De La Salle," said North coach Frank Sumner.

"There's nothing we can do except get ready to play another good football team. We've played good people before, so we're just going to go after it."

King brings a 9-0 record and the Detroit Public School League championship into Saturday's 4 p.m. game on the Crusaders' home field.

North is 6-3 with its three defeats coming against teams with a combined 26-1 record. The latest was a 35-7 loss to Dakota, the defending state Division I champions who finished the regular season with a 9-0 record.

"We lost 24-3 to Cousino, 32-0 to Romeo and 35-7 to Dakota," Sumner said. "Two of them are undefeated and the other one (Romeo) lost its only game to one of the 9-0 teams (Cousino)."

Sumner has seen King play, and he was impressed.

"They're big, fast and strong," he said. "Their coach, James Reynolds, has been around for a long time and he's an outstanding coach. They've got talent. It's going to be a big challenge for us."

One of the first things Sumner plans to do is forget about the regular season, which ended with losses to Romeo and Dakota.

"We're wiping the slate clean," Sumner said. "It's a

new season. We're not even going to look at the Dakota film. We're concentrating strictly on King."

The Crusaders are led by running back Darren Williams, a 5-foot-6, 175-pound speedster, who has rushed for more than 1,800 yards this season.

"He's elusive and fast," Sumner said. "They don't throw the ball a lot, but they have a decent quarterback in Donovan Dickerson and a 6-6, 220-pound receiver in Slenard Whitfield."

Sumner said that King's best player is two-way starter Nicholas Perry, who plays tight end and defensive end.

"He's 6-4 and 240 and he can run anybody down," Sumner said.

The offensive line is anchored by 6-7, 310-pound Antoine Martin.

One of the things that Sumner will be concentrating on in practice this week is cutting down on North's penalties.

"We're getting a lot of the five-yarders — offsides, illegal motion — the discipline and concentration penalties," he said.

"That was all I talked about at halftime (against Dakota). We didn't draw any Xs and Os on the board. It was all about poise and discipline and having to do better."

North found itself in an early hole against Dakota.

The Crusaders returned the opening kickoff just short of the midfield stripe and a first-down pass to the tight end resulted in a 31-yard gain. Moments later, quarterback Mitch Lovett scrambled for a 15-yard touchdown.

"We had him and he got away," Sumner said.

On North's first offensive play, fullback Frank Ferretti rushed for 25 yards, but a false

start penalty on first down left the Norsemen with a first-and-15 and the drive stalled.

Dakota then drove 80 yards in 13 plays with Terrence Shelby scoring from the two. The drive was kept alive by an offside penalty against North.

Dakota built its lead to 27-0 at halftime on a five-yard run by Shelby and a 40-yard scoring strike from Lovett to Kyle DeMaster.

Lovett scored the Cougars' final touchdown on an eight-yard run in the third quarter and he passed for the two-point conversion.

North finally got on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter on a two-yard run by Jerry Peoples.

Andrew Doetsch kicked the extra point.

Key plays in the scoring drive was an eight-yard pass from Anthony Raymond to Rashad Boyce; a 25-yard run by Raymond, and an 12-yard pass to tight end Steve Wiczorak.

"Dakota's a good team," Sumner said. "We played better than we did against Romeo, but it's the same old story; we turned the ball over at bad times and we had too many penalties."

Peoples finished with 65 yards on 15 carries.

Ferretti and Michael Neveux each had nine tackles, while Robert Rickel and John Neveux had eight apiece.

"Josh Franklin played outstanding," Sumner said. "He had six tackles, a sack and two tackles behind the line of scrimmage."

"We also got good special teams play from Andrew Tech, Michael Rahaim and Ben Scarfone. We knew how dangerous Dakota is on special teams with (Rodney) Hush and DeMaster, and they only had that one good return."

## ULS makes state top 10

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's tennis team got just what it was looking for at the Division IV state championships — a top 10 finish.

"I'm thrilled with that," said coach Chuck Wright after the Knights finished in a three-way tie for eighth place with Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian and Williamston. All three schools had 11 points.

"Our goal was to get back into the top 10," Wright said. "We had a couple of disappointments, but we had a lot of great matches, too."

ULS advanced to the semifinal round in the third and fourth doubles flights.

At No. 3, the team of Aziz Jan and Garrett Redding beat

Buchanan 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; and defeated Williamston 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 before losing to Ann Arbor Greenhills in the semifinals.

ULS had beaten Greenhills in the regional.

"They changed their strategy, and played both of their players back," Wright said.

In fourth doubles, ULS's Blake Chouinard and Christian Redding beat Essexville-Garber 6-2, 6-1 and defeated Buchanan 3-6, 6-1, 6-3 before losing to top-seeded Grosse Ile in the semifinals.

The No. 2 doubles team of Derek and Michael McLaughlin won its first match 6-0, 6-7, 7-6 against Berrien Springs, but lost a three-set match to top-seeded North Pointe Christian.

"In the first match, neither coach was there for the start,

but the Berrien Springs coach got there for the start of the second set, and I didn't get there until about midway through," Wright said.

The match against North Pointe Christian also had an unusual sidelight.

"It started to rain after the first set and we had to move inside," Wright said. "That helped North Pointe because their kids are bigger hitters."

ULS won one match in second, third and fourth singles.

The highlight was Skipper Faber's 2-6, 7-5, 6-2 victory against Almont's Tyler Sutter.

"That was a wonderful win for him," Wright said. "(Assistant coach) Rob Lyle was working with him."

Billy Costello won his first match at No. 2 singles, while Steven Coval won at No. 4.

## South second, North third

Stevenson won the Macomb Area Conference Red Division girls cross country championship meet last weekend, but the coaches at Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North were just as happy with their teams' performances.

South was second and North took third place behind the Titans, who posted a 12-0 record in the two MAC Red jamboree meets this season.

South was second in both of the jamborees, so the Blue Devils' runner-up finish in the division championships was no surprise.

However, North's third place was somewhat unexpected after the Norsemen's finish in the jamborees.

"Based on the jamborees, we should have finished fifth, but instead we ran well enough to finish third, just eight points out of second," said coach Scott Cooper.

"We have been coming on as a team and clicking as a unit. Last year we finished fourth in this event and had some superstar runners who are no longer on the team. We have had to rebuild and that core group has been working extremely hard, and focusing on moving up in the standings."

The Norsemen were led by freshman Kailey Sickmiller, who earned all-conference honors with her performance.

She was followed by Bree McDonald, Cristina Bruno, Francesca Bruno, Haley Abessinio, Zyanya Wright-Servais and Katie Graves.

"Sickmiller ran a great race with her best time of the season," Cooper said. "She has been up there all season, but as a freshman, she has lacked confidence in herself. She is starting to show that confidence and is emerging as a leader on this team."

Cooper was also pleased with the efforts of the rest of his runners.

"These girls have been running in a pack at practice and

pushing and encouraging each other," he said. "They have even been icing their legs together in a huge tub of ice water after practice. They have really bonded as a group, which makes them a stronger team."

McDonald has been one of the leaders all season.

"She's our top group's sparkplug," Cooper said. "She's the one in practice and after practice who is molding the younger runners and setting them up for success in the future. She has instilled a lot of the confidence the younger runners now have, and has been a great role model for them."

The Bruno sisters have been an excellent combination for the Norsemen.

"Francesca has really come on in practice and has been pushing very hard," Cooper said. "That hard work has pushed her into the top five with her best time of the season and I think she's there to stay."

Cristina fell going up the first hill and had some difficulty getting up as the rest of the pack went past her.

"When she finally got back up, she found herself in the very back of the race with a hill underneath her that she still had to get over," Cooper said. "She fought back and moved steadily to the front pack. It was a great, gutsy race."

Abessinio's strong finish completed the North scoring and enabled her to make it to a soccer game.

"She went straight to her car, got to the soccer game and assisted on a late-game score," Cooper said.

Three South seniors earned all-conference honors with Ashley Thibodeau's sixth-place finish making her a first-team selection.

Jeannie Hollerbach and Bridget Dennehy were 11th and 12th to earn second-team honors.

"We were all very proud of

Ashley, Jeannie and Bridget for their accomplishment at this meet," said Blue Devils coach Steve Zaranek. "The Red Division is loaded with talent, which made this honor for them a very well-earned accomplishment."

Following the three seniors for South were sophomore Katie Lanza and the freshman trio of Hayley Martin, Rachel Frevik and Elise Corden.

"Our freshman class did such a great job," Zaranek said.

"We had three ninth graders running varsity and three of our top five JV girls are also freshmen. They are learning to race extremely well."

South took five of the first eight positions in the junior varsity race. The Blue Devils were led by Stephanie Garbarino, Natalie Gay, Sarah Burke, Nicole Stieber and Molly Robinson. They all ran under 22:30.

Gay and Burke ran season-best times along with Christine Nelson, Maura Walkowski, Taylor Wizner, Lisa Hamm, Leah Turner, Shannon Thomas and Brittany Bachteal.

North freshman Rachel Gimpert won the JV race, leading from the gun to the finish chute. Her time was a personal record and moves her into the top three for Saturday's regional at Metropolitan Beach Metropark.

"Gimpert has tremendous potential and looks like a strong runner," Cooper said. "She is starting to figure this sport out and I'm excited to see what she can accomplish the rest of this season and in the future."

Also recording PRs were Amanda Schneider, Marina Metes, Christina Embree, Michelle Gillis, Abbey Lundeby, Emily Theis, Rachel Brock, Paige Monforton, Kim Woods, Jessica Vanden Boom, Rachel Curran, Bridget Surmont, Gillian Seamen, Katie Lazar and Stephanie Cardosi.

## Blue Devils win on Senior Night

Grosse Pointe South's field hockey team celebrated Senior Night with a 2-1 victory against The Academy of the Sacred Heart.

At halftime, the five seniors on the Blue Devils squad were honored. They were captains Danika Stone and Anna Shepard, along with Kathleen McDonald, Lindsey McMillian and Maria Hartman.

South controlled the first half play with outstanding ball movement. The Blue Devils just missed scoring on shots by

McMillian, Christine Greiner and Kathryn Cumpata. Stone also had a steal and a shot with only seconds remaining in the first half, but it was deflected by the Sacred Heart goalie.

McDonald anchored the defensive unit and was successful in keeping the ball out of South's defensive zone.

The Blue Devils continued to control play early in the second half and finally broke the scoreless tie on a goal by Greiner at the 19-minute mark. Cumpata started the attack by

eluding several defenders and carried the ball deep into the offensive zone. Sarah Gilbride also assisted. Greiner scored South's second goal on a free hit resulting from a penalty against Sacred Heart's goalie.

Freshman defender Shelby Stone made several fine defensive plays late in the game to preserve South's lead.

Maiya Dempsey was strong in goal for the Blue Devils and she made a key save in the closing minutes to preserve the victory.

## NORTH: Doubles team in semis

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Ryan Mann and Dan Law beat Lapeer East 6-4, 6-0, then lost to second-seeded Birmingham Seaholm in the quarterfinals.

North also reached the quarterfinals at No. 4 singles with Joe Scott.

Scott breezed to a 6-1, 6-1 win against Holly in his first

match, then lost in the quarterfinals to Kevin Wu of Rochester Adams, 6-0, 6-2. Wu went on to win the flight.

North's No. 1 doubles team of Dean Butts and Kevin Zak beat Lapeer East 6-4, 6-2 in its first match, but lost to No. 3 seed Okemos 6-4, 6-1 in the second round.

At No. 1 singles, Doug Zade beat Dexter 6-0, 6-1 for an easy first-round win, but then lost to third-seeded Tommy Cawood of East Lansing, 6-1, 6-1.

In No. 2 singles, North's David Ryda beat David Foreman of Seaholm 4-6, 6-3,

6-4, but ran into another of the East Lansing Cawoods, losing 6-2, 6-0 to third-seeded Bobby.

North's Billy Sessions won his first match at No. 3 singles, beating Okemos 6-2, 6-2 before losing to the third seed from North Farmington.

In the regional, North got two key victories against University of Detroit Jesuit to tie the Cubs for the championship.

Zade beat U-D's Michael Cole, 6-3, 6-3, at No. 1 singles, and the No. 1 doubles team of Butts and Zak posted a three-set victory against the Cubs.

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**SHANELL, ELIZABETH, TEDDY & MICHAEL**

DO not go in a stranger's house. By: Jasper & Garrett

DO not run away from your group. By: Lauren, Joseph, Hadley, Lilly

**DO NOT TIP OVER YOUR BASKET ON HALLOWEEN OR ELSE YOUR CANDY WILL FALL OUT!**  
**BRENDAN, LAUREN, AMELIA, ALEX**

### 111 HAPPY ADS

**DON'T EAT CANDY UNLESS YOUR PARENTS CHECK IT OVER**  
**KATHERINE, CATHERINE & HANNAH**

**DON'T EAT CANDY WHILE YOU WALKING!**  
**PHOEBE, PATRICK, ROBBIE**

**IF YOU DON'T BRING A FLASH LIGHT YOU'LL HAVE NO SIGHT!**  
**AJ, EMME, LAWSON, TIFFANY**

**MAKE SURE YOU CAN WALK SAFELY IN YOUR COSTUME!**  
**PAUL, KARL, MATTHEW**

**MAKE** sure your parents check your candy. By: Jakob, Madeline, Carson & Brooke

**NEVER** light a Jack-o-Lantern without adult help. By: Camden, Griffin, Marc

**NEVER** touch a lit candle on Halloween night. By: J.D, Hannah M., Hannah V., Lyndsay

**PUT** lights on your bike at night. By: Christina, Nathan, Annalise, & Owen

**TRICK OR TREAT IN GROUPS**  
**GRACE, THEO**

### 100 ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CONCEALED PISTOL LICENSE TRAINING CLASSES**  
 (Required to obtain Michigan CCW License)  
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**SAS GROUP** offers private or group training  
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### 111 HAPPY ADS

**WATCH OUT FOR LITTLE KIDS**  
**LILY, LEAH, ANTHONY & DAVID**

**112 HEALTH & NUTRITION**  
**Personal Training**  
 Fight Cardiovascular Disease, High BP, Inflexibility, Loss of Balance, Strength & Stamina  
**Rory McKeown (313)580-6082**

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**EXPERIENCED!** Doctorate degree! Violin teacher, will come to your house. Collette, (313)320-2222

**LEARN** piano & enjoy it! Years of musical experience, plus a music education degree. Your home or mine. Penny (313)824-7182

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**SECONDARY** mathematics tutoring in my Grosse Pointe home. Algebra through pre-calculus. Retired math teacher. (313)881-7474

**Grosse Pointe Learning Center**  
 •Since 1977•  
**131 Kercheval 313-343-0836**

### 100 ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 123 DECORATING SERVICES

**CUSTOM** sewing: slip-cover, window treatments, headboards, accessories. Krysta, (313)885-1829

### Help Wanted

### 200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

**ASSISTANT** manager-cashier, full time, food court at Renaissance Center. Call for appointment, (313)259-6720

**COOK,** full or part-time, experienced. Apply within, Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval. (313)882-4555

**DOG** sitter wanted by two wonderful rescue doggies. For walks and occasional overnights. (313)938-8288

**DRIVER-** west side route, small pick up/delivery, Days, steady employment, benefits, Chauffeurs license required. 313-259-3334

**ESTABLISHED** Massage Therapist. Room available. call for details. (313)886-2484

**GARDENERS.** Good pay, work & attitude. (313)377-1467

### 201 HELP WANTED BABYSITTER

**PART** time nanny needed for our three month old son in our Grosse Pointe Farms home. Three/ four days a week, no Fridays. 8am- 6pm. Email experience, salary & references to [mrcw907@gmail.com](mailto:mrcw907@gmail.com) or call 313-727-1400

### 204 HELP WANTED DOMESTIC

**FULL** charge meticulous housekeeper with excellent references, for Grosse Pointe residence, 2 days per week. Send reply to P.O.Box 02012, C/O Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48236

**Don't Forget- Call your ads in Early!**  
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### 207 HELP WANTED SALES

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**It's Time You Got Paid For Your Decorating Talent**  
 You're a natural. So why not turn your unique style and talent for decorating into a sales career?  
 At Calico Corners, we've become a national leader in the sale of home decorative fabrics, furniture, and custom decorating because of the style, grace and confidence of talented people just like you. Isn't it time you got paid for something you love to do? Bring your creativity and love for sales to Calico Corners, where you'll not only be rewarded- you'll be recognized!  
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 Email: [mhorcherdt@calicocorners.com](mailto:mhorcherdt@calicocorners.com)  
 Please reference job code: SA200710 in subject line of Email.  
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### 206 HELP WANTED PART TIME

**The UPS Store**  
 Persuasive, outgoing individual for part-time position with the UPS Store. The ideal candidate will have retail experience, customer service oriented, well organized and professional. Please apply at: 18530 Mack Ave. Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236  
**(313)884-8440**  
**Fax: (313)884-8442**  
**Email: [store0140@theupsstore.com](mailto:store0140@theupsstore.com)**

### 207 HELP WANTED SALES

**Are You Serious About a Career in Real Estate?**  
 We are Serious about your Success!

\*Free Pre-licensing Classes in Grosse Pointe  
 \*Exclusive Success Systems Training & Coaching Programs  
 \*Earn While You Learn  
 \*Variety of Pay Plans

**Call George Smale 313-886-4200**

**Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate**  
[cbschweitzer.com](http://cbschweitzer.com)

### 209 HELP WANTED PROFESSIONAL

**SEEKING** full time administrative assistant. Duties include: answering multi-line switchboard, assisting Word Processing department and managing front reception area. Applicants must be proficient in Microsoft Office and have a typing speed of at least 60 wpm. Comprehensive benefit package available. Send reply to P.O.Box 01060, C/O Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48236

### 210 HELP WANTED RESTAURANT

**EXPERIENCED** wait-staff/ grill cook. Immediate opening. Please call Mack Daddy's, 313-417-9000.

### Situations Wanted

### 300 SITUATIONS WANTED BABYSITTERS

**ATTENTION: by MICHIGAN LAW DAY CARE FACILITIES**  
 (In-Home & Centers) Must Show Their Current License To Advertising Representative When Placing Your Ads  
**THANK YOU**  
 Parents - Please Verify All Child Care Licenses!

### 302 SITUATIONS WANTED CONVALESCENT CARE

**CARE AT HOME**  
 Care givers, personal care, cooking, cleaning Licensed - Bonded Since 1984. Full/ part time, live-in. **(586)772-0035**

**CARE** giver for elderly & infirmed. Will help with cooking, bathing, housekeeping, administering medication, transportation, grocery shopping. Excellent references. (586)585-0280

**HOME** care for your elderly loved one. Will assist: personal care, cleaning/ cooking, transportation. 24 hour shifts. Please contact, Stephanie, (313)598-0962

**A+ Live-ins Ltd.**  
 Companion Caregivers provide Personal Care, Cleaning, Cooking & Laundry. Hourly & Daily Rates  
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 Dee Allen - Grosse Pointe Resident  
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 •Full Time •Part Time  
 •Live-In  
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 Insured/Bonded  
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**313-343-6444**

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 SOC Award Winner  
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**PERSONAL CARE, COOKING, CLEANING, LAUNDRY**  
**FULL/PART TIME INSURED & BONDED**  
**313-885-6944**  
 Mary Ghesquiere, R.N.

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**THANK YOU**  
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**"JUST Like Family"** child care. Educational program, personal, loving. Grosse Pointe home. References. Licensed. (313)882-7694

### 304 SITUATIONS WANTED GENERAL

**TUTOR** available- certified reading specialist available to tutor your K- 5 student. (248)890-8450

### 305 SITUATIONS WANTED HOUSE CLEANING

**20** years experience, honest & reliable. Grosse Pointe references available. Lisa (313)623-0435

**A Polish Housekeeper** with references & experience. Laundry & ironing available. Call (313)303-5891

I can clean your home, experience & references. Call Anna, (586)468-8058

### 305 SITUATIONS WANTED HOUSE CLEANING

**AFFORDABLE** house-cleaning by Polish lady. Honest, dependable, detail oriented. Grosse Pointe references. (313)729-6939

**AMERICAN** hardworking woman available to clean your home. Honest, dependable, reliable. Free estimates. (313)527-6157

**AVAILABLE** to clean every other Wednesday. Also do move-outs. Lisa (586)445-1490

**CONSISTENTLY** expert detailed, thorough cleaning. 20 years experience. Honest, dependable, excellent references. Donna, (586)296-6550

**EXPERIENCED** house-keeper available. Excellent references. Honest & reliable. Jade, (313)365-9756

**LYNN'S** Housekeeping: Leave your cleaning to me. Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly. 1-time cleaning available. All supplies included. Senior discounts. References. 586-817-1390

**MARGARET** L.L.C. House cleaning and laundry services. Polish ladies with very good experience, excellent references. We speak English! (313)319-7657

**PERSONAL** assistant available & 10 years excellent cleaning skills. (586)677-1785

**THOROUGH,** reliable Polish girl looking for Homes to clean. Experience, excellent references & language. Own car! Call Eliza, (313)600-5221.

**Classifieds Work For You**  
 To place an ad call: **(313)882-6900 x 3**  
 Grosse Pointe News CONNECTION

**DOUBLE SHUFFLE**  
**RULES:** Reshuffle six letters to form a new word. If a word is given, find an anagram of that word. Place letters in boxes next to shuffled letters. After all six words are solved, find new 6-letter words shuffled in the six columns or two diagonals.  
**HINT:** There might be more than one answer hidden in the six columns or two diagonals. Can you find **SIX** words? Happy Hunting!

<b>LOUDEN</b>					
<b>TNTSSU</b>					
<b>CRTAOF</b>					
<b>NCEIET</b>					
<b>TUTELO</b>					
<b>STAYRH</b>					

**Last Weeks Puzzle Solved**  
 Col. 1: **HARBOR**  
 Col. 3: **ABACUS**  
 Col. 6: **DRESSY**  
 Top Left Diag.: **BALERS / BLARES**  
**BLEARS**

<b>R</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>S</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>E</b>
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<b>R</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>S</b>

306 SITUATIONS WANTED HOUSE SITTING

13 year Grosse Pointe Farms resident. Professional looking to house sit immediately. Will pay utilities. (313)881-7809

AVAILABLE to watch your home November through May, pets ok. Adult Wayne State student. (248)467-6677

307 SITUATIONS WANTED NURSES AIDES

HOME health aid, over 20 years experience, day or night. References, Marianne, (586)772-8624

308 SITUATIONS WANTED OFFICE CLEANING

NATIONAL Cleaning Services. Residential, commercial. Great rates. Free quotes. Licensed, bonded. (586)354-8090; or www.nationalcleaningservices.net

401 APPLIANCES

30" Sony Trinitron We-ga T.V. Best offer. Like new, hardly used. (313)332-0048

406 ESTATE SALES

BOOKS WANTED

John King 313-961-0622 •Clip & Save This Ad•

DETROIT, 5226 York-shire, Sunday only, 1:00pm- 5:00pm. Furniture: bedroom sets, dining room set, more.

ESTATE sale of ceramic music boxes. Some Christmas, china cups & saucers. (313)886-8391

ESTATE sale- Furniture: Oriental rug, cane chairs, rockers, leather top tables, TVs, kitchen set, etc. October 26-27; 9am- 4pm. 22705 Rosedale, St. Clair Shores

FINAL clearance estate sale. Saturday, October 27, 10am- 3pm. 16843 St. Paul, Grosse Pointe. Everything must go!!!

RAIN or shine- Friday, 10/ 26; 9am- 2pm. Saturday, 10/ 27; 9am- noon. Toys, books, antiques, children's clothing, furniture (patio and interior). 696 Rivard (Kercheval/ Waterloo)

408 FURNITURE

DISSATISFIED with regional quality furniture sources? Come see us at Harper Galleries, 1106 East 11 Mile Road, I-75 exit at 11 Mile Road at the 4th stop light, go West. Metro Detroit's largest selection of antique 20's & 40's mahogany. Traditional furniture, chests, tables, sets of chairs are our specialty. Open Wednesday till Sunday 11:00am- 6:00pm (248)548-5230. Over 6,000 square feet!

MAHOGANY dining room set, 10 chairs, china cabinet, buffet, table pads, 2 leaves, excellent condition, French armoire, excellent condition; \$8,500 or best offer. (313)881-8798

MATCHING sofa, love-seat, coordinating chair, \$350. (313)882-8632

OAK- 5' dining room table with 13" pull out end extensions, 6 chairs, china hutch, 1930's, \$350. (313)885-0099

PERSIAN rugs from estate. Large room sizes, different colors, \$500- \$700. martin 8107@sbcglobal.net

REMODELING sale! Large antique roll top desk- oak- \$500. One Drexel Heritage couch, one sleeper sofa, \$200 each. Call (313)885-3235

SOLID oak entertainment center with leaded glass doors; \$300. Treadmill; \$150. Dome topped electronic hockey game; \$125. Two wing chairs; \$75 each. 64" Camel back couch; \$150. (313)822-1983, after 5pm.

409 GARAGE/YARD/RUMMAGE SALE

1555 Anita, Grosse Pointe Woods, Saturday, October 27, 9am- 3pm. Big moving sale!

GROSSE Pointe, City, 391 Neff, Saturday, Sunday, October 27, 28. 9am- 5pm. Baby crib, porta crib, clothes, toys, computer desk, futon.

409 GARAGE/YARD/RUMMAGE SALE

1007 Berkshire, Grosse Pointe Park. Really good stuff- all donated to raise money for Juvenile Leukemia research. Children's toys (Leap Frog/ Little Tikes), furniture, kitchen and household, videos and books galore! Hockey/ sports equipment. Gift items with original packaging. And a lot more! Friday, 9- 2:00; Saturday 9- 4:00.

1200 Block Yorkshire is having a sale! Multiple families, Saturday, October 27th, 10:00am- 2:00pm.

1225 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Woods. 6 houses East of Marter. Friday, Saturday; October 26 & 27; 10am- 4pm.

1774 Stanhope- Furniture, household items, refrigerator. No pre-sales, please. Saturday, 8:30am.

474 Fisher, Farms. Friday: 10:00am- 2:00pm Saturday: 9:00am- 3:00pm. Baby & kid items. Some antiques, stained glass windows.

863 North Brys. Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Furniture, Halloween, baby, bow, household, more.

EASTPOINTE: 24881 Almond (10/ Kelly). Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9am- 6pm. Antiques.

GARAGE sale! 1019 Bedford. Friday, 10/ 26, 9am- 4pm, Saturday, 10/ 27, 9am- 3pm. Household items, clothing and furniture.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1210 Bedford, Saturday only. 9:00am- 3:00pm. Downsizing, have everything.

HUGE garage sale! 903 Hampton Road, Woods, October 26th & 27th. Antiques, girl's women's, men's, household, art, holiday, misc. 10am- 5pm.

MOVING sale, 21024 Yale, St. Clair Shores. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9:00am- 4:00pm. Furniture, lamps, tables, twin beds, antiques, collectibles, much, much more!

409 GARAGE/YARD/RUMMAGE SALE

MOVING! 1205 Cadieux. Saturday 9am- 4pm. Furniture, household, appliances. Don't miss it!

412 MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

9" TV DVD \$120; Sony 50" projection \$165; cream/ beige leather like dining set \$180. (313)320-3159

CASE toilet, Kohler sink; both white, from 1940's. Black wire steel grid display shelving unit, (great as entertainment center or for dorm/ basement). (248)505-9999, (313)885-4509

FOOD service- Hobart meet slicer, automatic slicer \$150, tomato slicer \$100, 8/ 1-94. (313)815-6947

GOLF. Men's & women's sets with new bags, \$35/ each. (313)882-5558

HEAVY duty gas clothes dryer, automatic washer, dehumidifier, snowblower. (313)885-7437

PUSH chair plus 28-32" walker with wheels, \$125. (313)885-0099

TWIN pine bed, pink toddler bed, double/single strollers, baby swing, bassinet, girl's scooter, entertainment center, sofa, Guinea pig cage & accessories, teenage CD's, books, computer games. Grosse Pointe. (313)924-5455

413 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

GROSSE POINTE STRINGS Repair & set- up of violin, viola, cello and bass. Rehairing bows. Selling reasonably priced student instruments. Call (313)882-7874 for an appointment.

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WANTED- Guitars, Banjos, Mandolins and Ukles. Local collector paying top cash! 313-886-4522.

414 OFFICE/BUSINESS EQUIPMENT

FLOWER shop equipment: walk-in cooler, cash register, displays, all inventory. Thursday-Friday; 11am- 4pm. 21024 Mack. Cash/ check only.

415 WANTED TO BUY

CASH paid for newer used paperback books & DVDs in good condition. New Horizons Book Shop 20757 13 Mile at Little Mack. (586)296-1560

FINE china dinnerware, sterling silver flatware and antiques. Call Jan/ Herb. (586)731-8139

SHOTGUNS, rifles, old handguns; Parker, Browning, Winchester, Colt, Luger, others. Collector. (248)324-0680

416 SPORTS EQUIPMENT

TREADMILL: hardly used, like new Trimline treadmill. Will accept highest offer. Call. (313)886-3016

422 UNDER \$50.00

FREE fill dirt, 25 yards, local street, no clay/ rocks. Mike, (313)289-8254

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KENMORE 3.9 cu. ft. compact refrigerator. Excellent. Perfect for college student \$50 (313)885-4977

Animals

500 ANIMAL ADOPT A PET

GROSSE Pointe Animal Clinic: male black Labrador. One kitten left! (313)822-5707

500 ANIMAL ADOPT A PET

GROSSE Pointe Animal Adoption Society- pet adoption, Saturday, October 27; 12- 3pm. Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods. (313)884-1551, www.GPAAS.org

505 LOST AND FOUND

GROSSE Pointe Animal Clinic: tan female Labrador/ Shepherd mix. (313)822-5707

LOST: small black cat, front declawed, male, neutered. "Hill area" (313)680-1755

Automotive

600 AUTOMOTIVE CARS

1995 Mazda 626 (stick shift), clean, good transportation, needs clutch and valve cover gasket. Has two new tires and recent tune up. \$800 or best. (313)468-4780

1991 Mercury Grand Marquis station wagon. Rebuilt mechanically which includes: engine (still under warranty), suspension, fuel system, air conditioning. Leather interior is in great condition. Body is in fair condition. New tires & brakes. Runs great; gets 27 mpg highway. Excellent transportation. \$1,500/ best offer. (313)343-2844

601 AUTOMOTIVE CHRYSLER

1996 Chrysler Sebring LXI, 2 door, loaded, clean, 132,000 miles, \$1,950. (586)344-8896

1995 Chrysler LHS, burgundy, loaded, 134,000 miles, \$2,100. (586)344-8896

602 AUTOMOTIVE FORD

1998 Lincoln, estate sale, 4 door Cartier, white, 65,000 original miles. Good condition, many extras. \$6,250. (313)965-1688

603 AUTOMOTIVE GENERAL MOTORS

2004 Buick LeSabre beige, 20,000 miles, excellent condition. \$13,150 (313)884-9009.

1999 Cadillac DeVille, 4 door, low miles, great condition, \$6,300. (586)466-4485

CORVETTE, 1984-

69,000 miles. Clean, newer wheels, Ansa exhaust, new battery. Asking \$5,995/ make offer. (586)214-9557

604 AUTOMOTIVE ANTIQUE/CLASSIC

1975 MGB Roadster. 50th anniversary, low miles. Excellent. \$5,300. 586-759-2400, 586-596-8934 Linda

605 AUTOMOTIVE FOREIGN

1998 Honda Civic Ex-silver, 4 door, moon-roof, auto. 124K. New tires. Excellent condition, original owner. \$4,800/ best. 313-433-8377

2001 Kia Optima, excellent condition, 75,000 miles, cd player & extras. \$5,300 (586)944-1886

AUDI, 1999, A4- AWD, 32K miles. Excellent condition, V6, air, power steering/ windows, cruise, power sun roof, multi CD, power seats. \$11,500. Little old lady drive locally. A real great car. (313)885-2226

606 AUTOMOTIVE SPORT UTILITY

1997 Chevy Tahoe, black, premium sound, loaded, 20" wheels, cold air, \$4,950 (313)717-8850

606 AUTOMOTIVE SPORT UTILITY

2000 GMC Yukon XL- 94,000 miles. Good condition, well maintained. New tires. \$11,000. 313-570-2253

2001 Jeep Cherokee Sport, 4x 4. 4 door, moon- roof, blue, loaded. Clean, 106,000 miles. \$5,500. (586)344-8896

2001 Jimmy, 64,000 miles, great condition. \$7,000/ or best offer. (586)873-1043

613 AUTOMOTIVE WANTED TO BUY

INEXPENSIVE but reliable SUV or mini van, (6 cylinder preferred) for older Grosse Pointe gentleman. (313)690-9360

Recreational

653 BOAT PARTS/SERVICE

MARINE WOODWORK Custom Design & Built Cabinetry. Repairs, dry-rot. 30 Yrs Experience. Portfolio / References (248)435-6048

654 BOAT STORAGE/DOCKING

INDOOR storage, boat or RV, to May 1st, 15' & under, \$200. Greater than 15' \$15/ foot. (313)418-9996

WINTER boat storage available, heated, indoor. \$5/ sq. Outdoor available. Find it cheaper, we'll beat it!



Grosse Pointe News Grosse Pointe CONNECTION (313)882-6900 ext. 3

Crossword puzzle grid with 'LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLVED' text.

Crossword puzzle clues and grid. Includes 'ACROSS' and 'DOWN' sections with numbered clues.

406 ESTATE SALES

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21528 Lakeview, St. Clair Shores (Just North of 9 Mile, located between Greater Mack and Harper) Friday, October 26th, 9:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, October 27th, 9:00am to 12:00pm

HARTT ESTATE SALES (313)942-4944 325 STEPHENS GROSSE POINTE FARMS OFF CHALFONTE FRIDAY, SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH, 27TH 9:00AM- 5:00PM WWW.HARTTANTIQUESGALLERY.COM

Featuring various private collections from this 98 year old matron's estate. An important collection of period furniture, 100's pottery (Pewabic, Van Briggie, Stangal, Roseville, McCoy) 75 Hummels and signed porcelain figurines, 100's signed dinnerware & glassware, vintage hand woven hook rugs & Persian's, antique clock collections, rifle, oils, & watercolors, enamel, Sheffield 5 piece tea set. Doll collection back to 1930's, doll house, Detroit memorabilia 1900's (history, travel, entertainment), 1880's carved Recamia, 3 bedroom suites c.1930's, mahogany bookcases, 50's furniture, antique desks, pie crest table c.1900, end/ coffee table, dining room suite (breakfront/ buffet). Inlaid music boxes, 1930 mahogany secretary, 1930's carved sofa, sleeper sofa's, vintage sofa chairs, 100's vintage books, vintage clothing, shoes, purses, gloves. Vintage jewelry galore, records, kitchen items, garden tools, linens & textiles, vintage electronics, T.V.'s, washer/ dryer, antique tools, Christmas items.

This is only a partial list of items due to massive size & still unpacking Street numbers honored at 8:00am check website for featured items: www.harttantiquestgallery.com

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MOVING SALE FRI., OCT. 26th AND SAT., OCT. 27th 9:00am-3:00pm 51 KENWOOD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS (Corner of Kenwood and Grosse Pointe Blvd.) This beautiful home features lovely newer and vintage furniture as well as lovely decorative items and lady's designer clothing.

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407 FIREWOOD

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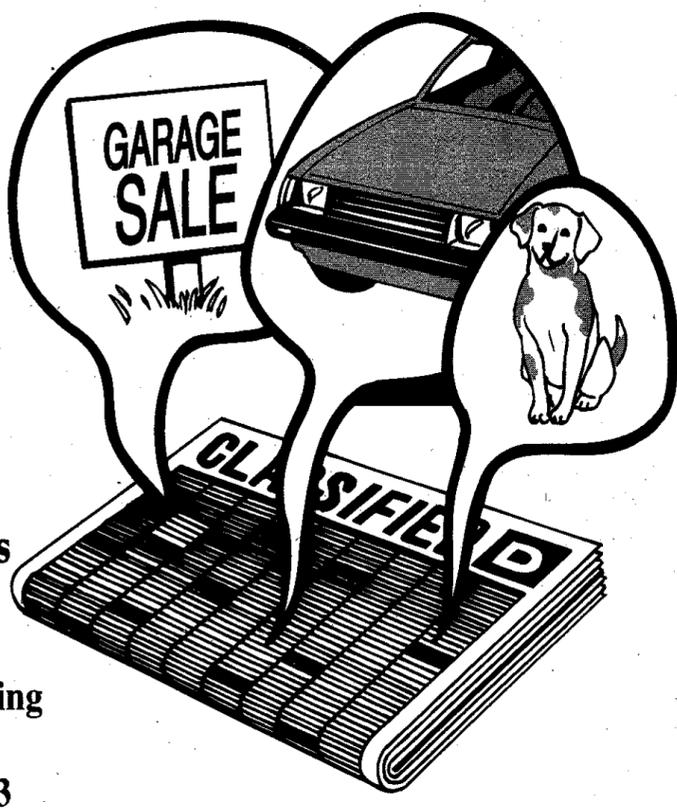
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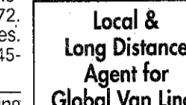
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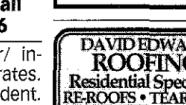
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