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#### THURSDAY, MAY 15

◆ The Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council holds an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lorthrup, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 882-6745 for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

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◆ Old Point Bar, 15130 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park, hosts "A Night Benefiting the Smile Train" from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Proceeds help provide surgeries for children with cleft lip and palate. Admission is \$25 and includes a raffle ticket, food and entertainment.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 16

◆ The Grosse Pointe North High School Choir presents a 7 p.m. concert in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available at the door.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 17

◆ The 2008 Spring Perennial Plant Exchange, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission, will be from 10 a.m. to noon at the Tompkins Activity Center, Windmill Pointe Park, rain or shine. Exchange plants and ideas with fellow gardeners. Master Gardeners will be on hand. Free mulch will be available, while it lasts. Bring bags to carry plants. Pot or wrap and label plants brought to the exchange. For more information, visit [grossepointepark.org](http://grossepointepark.org) or [bcsem.org](http://bcsem.org).

◆ The Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra presents "So You Think You Know Classical Music" at 7:30 p.m. in the South Lake High School auditorium, 21900 Nine Mile, St. Clair Shores. Tickets are \$15, \$10 for seniors and college students and \$5 for children. For more information, call Lillian at (586) 777-8944.

#### MONDAY, MAY 19

◆ The City of Grosse Pointe council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 17147

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## Paint the window

Bridget Keane adds clouds to her painting during Saturday morning's Paint the Window Contest. Keane and other local elementary school children took part in the annual contest. This year's theme was "Say Yes to Michigan." Children were encouraged to paint windows of Village businesses with images representing Michigan. See more pictures on page 11A.

## Fifth season for West Park Market

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

How appropriate that a fifth anniversary is marked with a gift of wood.

Grosse Pointe Park's West Park Farmer's Market begins its fifth season Saturday, May 17 by being the beautification commission's annual tree sale pick up point.

The opening of the market is early this year in recognition of the commission's 25th annual sale. Preordered trees can be picked up in the new municipal parking lot off Kercheval between Lakepointe and Beaconsfield.

If you haven't ordered a

tree, there are still lots of reasons to visit the market opening weekend.

"We have a great day planned," said Jennifer Meldrum, market manager.

"We'll have live entertainment featuring the music of Michael Quatro and several restaurants will be barbecuing. We'll have ribs from Smokey Joe's Bar-B-Que and hamburgers and hot dogs cooked up by our new concessionaire at Windmill Pointe Park, JoJoe's Galley. Carry outs are available, so pick up something for dinner while you're there, along with everything you need for a great salad."

In addition to fresh produce, baked goods, candles, jewelry and craft items, the market will also feature flats of flowers, hanging baskets, shrubs and perennials.

Hours for opening day are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Regular Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The market is along Kercheval from Wayburn to Nottingham. Parking is available on the street or in the municipal lot at Kercheval and Beaconsfield.

The market is open rain or shine and runs through Sept. 27.

For more information, contact Meldrum at (313) 822-2812.

## Talking in the pits

Robbie Buhl may not be in his hometown of Grosse Pointe Farms, but he feels at home this month talking with crew members on pit row of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Buhl's team in the Indy Racing League will try to qualify three cars this weekend for the 92nd Indianapolis 500. See page 7C.



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

## Trickle down

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

## Water rates rise

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods residents will see an increase in their water bills come July 1, based not only on an increase from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, but from the city as well.

The average Grosse Pointe Woods water customer will see its bi-monthly bill increase from \$111.08 to \$126.50, according to City Administrator Mark Wollenweber. That makes for an annual average increase of \$92.64.

The largest increase water customers will note is in the fixed amount charged by the city for capital improvements,

presently set at \$8 per billing cycle. Beginning July 1, that amount will increase to \$15, the first adjustment in the rate in more than 15 years.

This increase is needed by the city to fund construction projects and to keep bond reserve accounts at mandated levels as required by 2003 Water and Sewer Revenue Bond. The covenant established by those bonds requires net revenues to be in an amount not less than 110 percent of the principal and interest of the bonds and outstanding revenue bonds coming due in the upcoming fiscal year.

Projects proposed for the

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

## Bills poured on

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Dozens of City of Grosse Pointe residents will be smacked with higher than normal property tax bills this year to cover unpaid water charges.

Ninety-seven delinquent residents and business customers owe a combined \$65,875.98. A 10 percent penalty pushes the sum to \$72,463.58.

If laid end to end, 72,463 dollar bills would stretch 36,986 feet for a total of seven miles, equal to 1-1/2 times around the City's one square mile outline.

Individual debts, including penalties, range from three residents each owing \$71.50 to a real estate agency facing

several tabs, the largest being \$3,837.43.

The overall average is \$717.

This year, at least 13 holdouts are commercial customers in arrears for a combined \$10,064.68, including penalties. Figures come from a 15-page compilation by City Finance Director Karen Johnson.

This year's number of unpaid water bills is down from last year. In 2007, there were 117 delinquencies.

"But of the 97 this year," Johnson said, "we had a 15 percent increase in the total amount owed, or about \$10,000 more in delinquent accounts. It could have something to do with the economy."

She said this year's figures

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### POINTER OF INTEREST

*'I think working with others is crucial to any success.'*

## James Morrow



Home: Grosse Pointe Woods

Age: 65

Family: Wife, Sandra; daughters, Sarah and Tricia

Claim to fame: Retired CEO Trisar; Grosse Pointe Yacht Club sailor

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## Yesterday's headlines

1958

50 years ago this week

## ◆ BURGLARS HIT SEVEN HOMES

The Park, City, Farms, Woods and Detroit, are combining their talents in an effort to apprehend a fast moving burglar, or burglars operating in the area.

In the Pointes alone, seven burglaries have taken place in the last two weeks and there is reason to believe that it is the work of the same man or men.

## ◆ POLICE NAB CAR THIEF

A 16-year-old escapee from the Boys Vocational School in Lansing was captured by police after a 100-mile-an-hour chase in which three shots were fired by the pursuing offi-

cer.

The Detroit youth was driving a car reported stolen from Lakepointe and Kercheval at 12:15 a.m. Park police took the report.

About 6:30 a.m., an officer spotted the stolen vehicle at Cadieux. As he pulled up alongside the vehicle, the youth sped away and a chase ensued through parts of the Park, City and Detroit with the officer firing warning shots three separate times.

The youth parked the vehicle and fled, eventually being picked up by Detroit police who joined the pursuit.

## ◆ RUSSIAN, NYET OR DA?

The Grosse Pointe Public System school board is considering a proposal to add Russian as a high school course to its foreign language offerings.



FROM THE MAY 12, 1983 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

## Cold hang 10

The sky was sunny, but the water was a brisk 43 degrees and the air a nippy 42 when Lars Lohmann, 20, of Jefferson Avenue, decided to do a little water skiing.

Lohman cuts a pretty pattern before the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's breakwall on his way toward Moross Road. You've really got to love the sport to practice when there are still icebergs in the lake.

1983

25 years ago today

## ◆ CLOSING DECISION DELAYED

Grosse Pointe Board of Education officials announced they have asked school Superintendent Kenneth Brummel to delay his final recommendation on school closings until this fall. Brummel's proposal to close Barnes, Defer, Kerby and Mason schools met with strong objections from parents.

## ◆ WOODS MAN AIDS IN ARREST

Grosse Pointe Woods police got some help from an Anita Ave. resident in arresting three men for burglary.

Police were called about 3 a.m. by the homeowner, who said there were prowlers outside his home. When police arrived minutes later, they found the homeowner holding two men at gunpoint alongside the home. The homeowner had a permit to carry a weapon.

1998

10 years ago this week

## ◆ TEENAGERS CAUGHT STEALING

Two Grosse Pointe girls, aged 15 and 16, looking for easy money were arrested in a string of cellular telephone thefts.

The pair confessed to up to 17 thefts of cell phones, which they peddled to a pawn shop in Madison Heights. The teens wanted the money to buy drugs and motorbikes.

## ◆ NORTH TO GET SPORTS PRIVIES

Grosse Pointe North High School received permission to add outdoor restrooms to the

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# Go back to school June 3 at Cornerstone

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

Let the light of education shine on.

This is the message which Detroit's Cornerstone Schools Association students, staff and partners will illuminate during a Tuesday, June 3, open house.

The general invitation was issued first by Clark Durant, the school's co-founder and CEO during a May 8 press conference. At the June back-to-school event, attendees will sit in classrooms to learn Chinese, take a violin lesson and play chess with the school's national champs.

"We are a city with an educational crisis and children are the victims," Durant said. "Everyone needs to be a part of the conversation and solution for the future of urban education in our city. This is why it's so important for metro Detroiters to come out and support our Cornerstone students and parents on June 3 so that the conversation and action can begin."

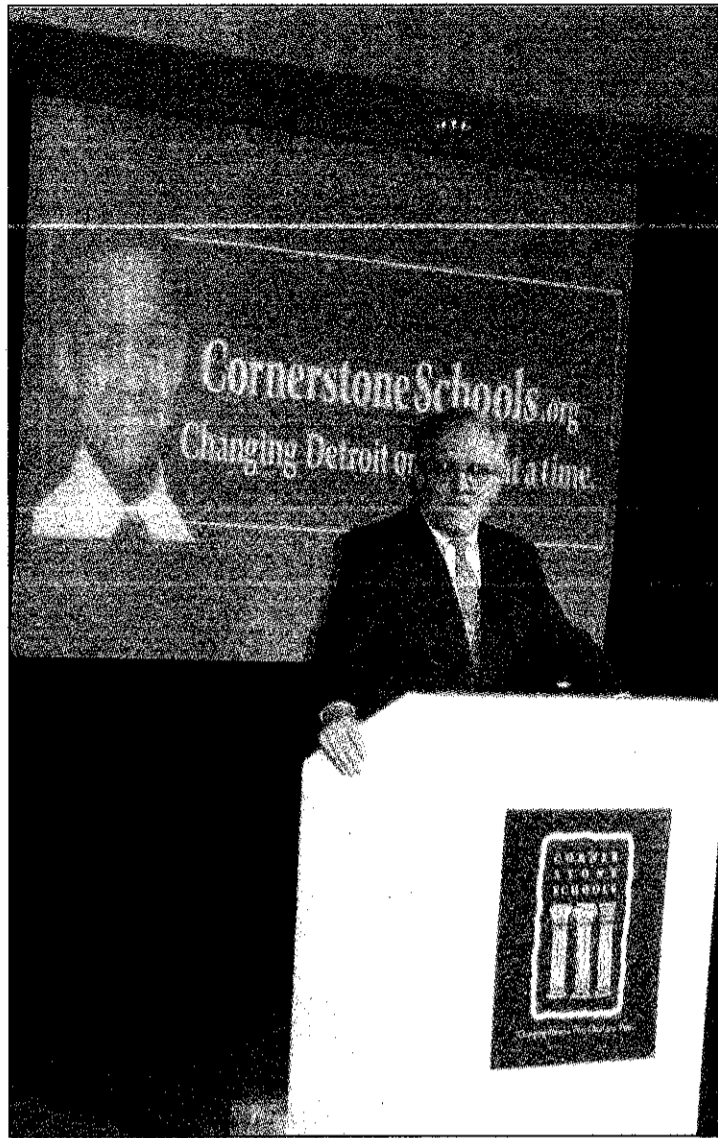
Dedicated to measurable education and supported by parents and partners, the school, which runs 11 months a year, offers classes from prekindergarten through eighth grade. It boasts of a 95 percent graduation rate.

Maurice Taylor, a 2000 graduate, said the school put him on the right track. He will be attending Harvard Law School in the fall.

"Education is the touchstone here," said Tony Earley Jr., DTE Energy chairman and CEO. "It's rewarding to see. It's a success story in a city looking for success stories."

Grosse Pointe Park resident James N. Reimer, vice president strategic growth leader for Cargill Salt, added that this school is one that makes an impact.

"It's a Christian centered



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Clark Durant, CEO and co-founder of Cornerstone School, issued an invitation to the community to go back to school on Tuesday, June 3, to see what the future of urban education is looking like.

program. It's a nourishing program. This is not a flash in the pan," he said.

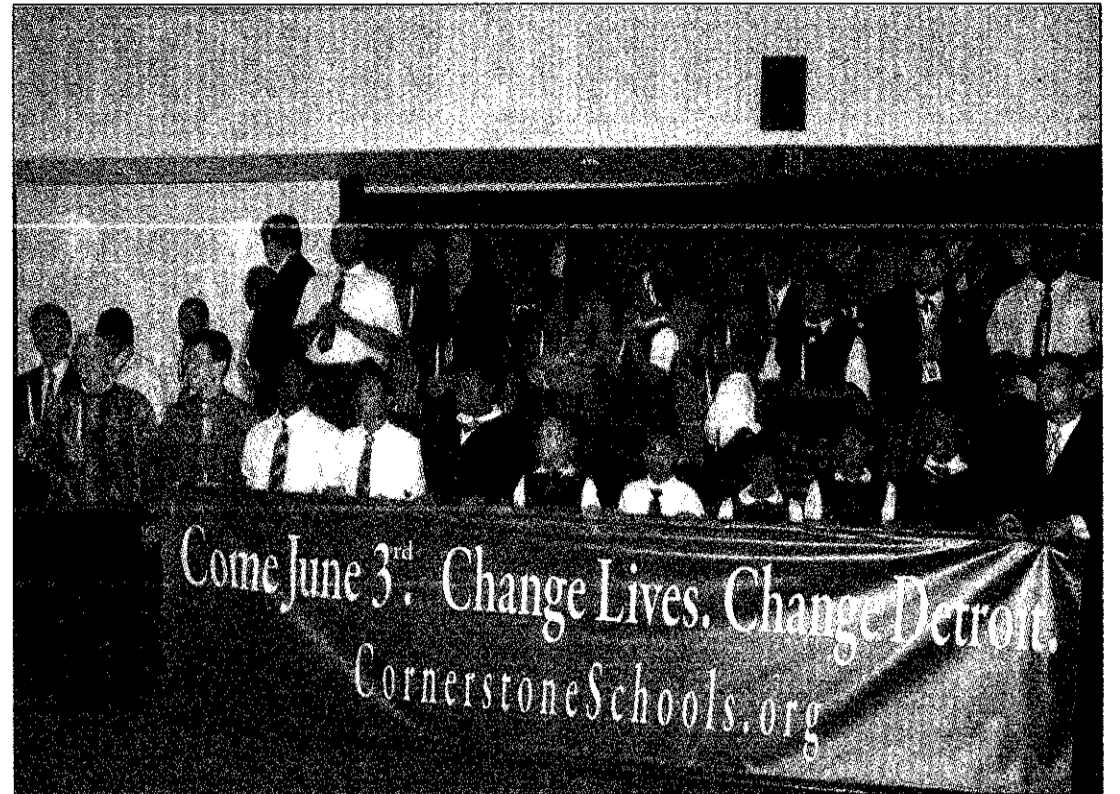
Cornerstone's motto "Preparing children for life" is played out in the offering of Chinese as one of its foreign languages.

"China is one of the fastest growing regions; the biggest global market. Those who speak Chinese are in high demand," said Yun Bai, who has taught at Cornerstone for three

years. In addition to Chinese and Spanish, the school offers a strings, piano and choir classes.

Detroit Tigers president and CEO Dan Dombrowski had a chance to learn to play the violin from Jasmine George and Jasmine Kendrick.

"It's important to do something fun," he said after the duo's short song. "This is a simple commitment to the



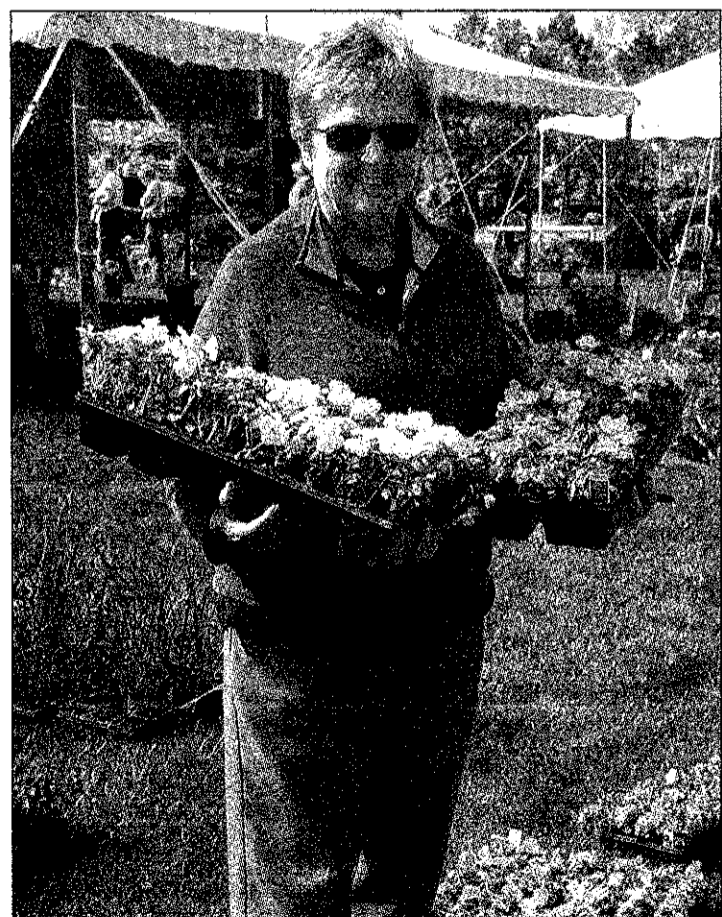
Above, Detroit Tigers President and CEO Dan Dombrowski took a stab at learning to play the violin from Jasmine George and Jasmine Kendrick. Top, students of the Cornerstone School joined in singing "This Little Light of Mine" to illustrate the need to keep their education opportunities in place.

community. It's (the partnership with Cornerstone) important to us."

Business partners, such as the Tigers and Cargill, visit their selected students each quarter, Reimer said. The two talk about school, homework and ideas and alternatives on how to use his company's products. He takes them to the company's scientists and returns with their feedback.

Partnerships such as that with Cargill are important to the school because who know where the graduates will settle, possibly in the Grosse Pointes, said Ernestine Sanders, president of the Cornerstone Schools Association, a privately funded school.

The schools were opened in August 1991. The six Christ-centered schools are integrated with a foundation of moral development and character education. The association is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of Central States and by the North Central Association.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Porter Turkal, 4, stopped to smell the petunias he selected for his mother to purchase during the second annual Grosse Pointe North Parents Club and the City of Grosse Pointe Woods flower sale.

## Planting time

Bea Ekstrom purchased two flats of flowers from a selection of dozens of flats and flower baskets during the second annual Grosse Pointe North Parents Club and the City of Grosse Pointe Woods flower sale on May 10. The parents club uses its proceeds for student scholarships and student enrichment programs. The city uses its share to buy plants for city beautification projects.

## Planning plantings

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

The Shores recently received its fourth annual Tree City USA award in a row. Officials marked the honor with a tree planting ceremony at Osius Park.

It was the first of many more plantings to come.

Brett Marshall, head of the village tree board, said a "major" tree planting program is being planned this fall. The goal is to replace trees lost since harbor construction began last winter.

"We'll wait until the park is cleaned up to see where we're at with that issue," Marshall said.

In related matters, he said the village remains under siege from the emerald ash borer.

"Our ash tree population is down (by) at least 100, from

336 to 225, which we expected," Marshall said. "We continue to lose ash trees."

He will continue injecting selected ash trees to protect more valued specimens and "just slow the tide. We will not replace all of those trees. We're still overplanted with ash trees."

All trees planted during last fall's campaign have survived.

"We planted 35 trees and as of last week had a 100 percent

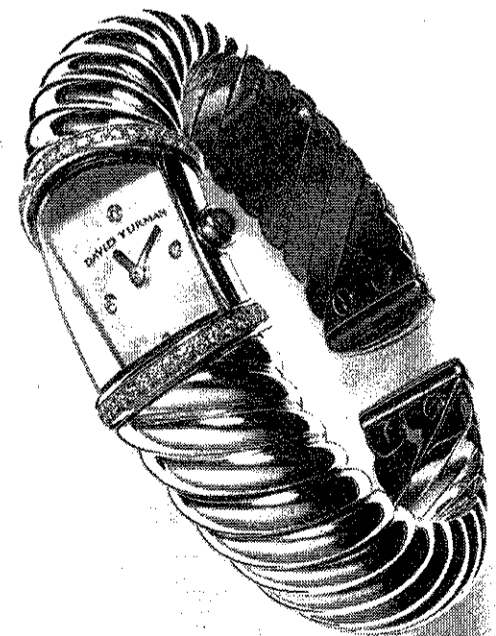
success rate," Marshall said.

The Grosse Pointe Shores Foundation splits the cost of tree plantings.

Marshall proposed coordinating new inventory orders with the other four Pointes.

"All five (Pointes) purchased from the same tree company last fall," Marshall said. "We're going to try to get all of the Pointes to deal with one contractor. Hopefully, we'll get a better price."

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

For James Morrow sailing is a metaphor for life.

# Leading a good sailing life

By Carrie Cunningham  
Special Writer

James Morrow, a manufacturing businessman, who has lived in Grosse Pointe since the mid-1960s, is overseeing the Great Lakes Boating Festival fundraiser May 16 - May 18 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The event will benefit junior sailing programs and celebrate the essence of boating.

Morrow, 65, has been sailing and power boating since he was a youngster. He sailed at the Detroit Boat Club for a decade until he moved to Grosse Pointe and joined the yacht club.

He said he became enamored with the sport, because it's both relaxing and fun and lasts a lifetime. Moreover, he believes it nurtures good character such as self-assuredness and determination, particularly among young adults.

The boating festival, formerly known as the Yachtsmen Boat Show, is expanding significantly this year with an Art Show and Wine Festival.

Highlights include a display of the works of nine artists, a wine tasting event, a boat

show featuring 80 boats, and a raffle in which the winner gets use of the boat of their choice that is in the show.

Morrow said he is glad the money raised will go to young sailors. In the past, it has been allocated to both yacht club youth sailors and to support community sailing activities such as a recent donation to the Grosse Pointe North high school sailing team.

The club has also donated money to promising individuals, including a young woman, who will represent the U.S. in the Olympics next year.

"We try to take the junior sailing programs and move them to the next level," he said. "It's really providing instruction and equipment you can't get from other programs."

In addition to being involved with the boat festival and fundraising, Morrow served as yacht club commodore in 1994. He currently likes using his Tiara boat during the summer on Lake St. Clair.

Morrow's wife, Sandra, is an interior designer and artist. He has two daughters who were active junior sailors. Sarah Riopelle now lives in Denver



PHOTO BY CARRIE CUNNINGHAM

James Morrow, a lifelong sailor, is hosting the Great Lakes Boating Festival at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club this weekend, May 16th. Above is a photo of boats at the yacht club marina.

and Tricia Groustra lives in the Tech Center. Both have advanced engineering degrees.

Groustra hopes her daughter, Ellie, age 4, will become a junior sailor in a few years.

Morrow grew up in Michigan and attained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University and Master's of Business Administration from Wayne State University.

After school, he spent 12 years in the U.S. Army Reserves and thereafter, the Detroit Diesel Corporation, an automotive manufacturing company, hired him. He began a long career and worked his way up to become president of the company.

He retired in 2006. Since then he has formed and chairs Trisar, LLC, a consulting company that works with growing companies in the U.S. and Europe.

Morrow beams when talking about his business career. He spoke fondly of receiving a vintage Detroit Diesel engine from colleagues when he retired.

Morrow reveals how the values from sailing have impacted his work and family life in a good manner.

He credits his success in business to lessons learned from sailing, namely an ability to get along with people and a drive to persevere.

"I think working with others

is crucial to any success. You've got to be able to communicate," he said.

"I continue to accomplish objectives. It's very similar to sailing. We set small objectives. We reach out to those and have bigger hurdles," he said.

As a father, Morrow's love for his daughters' accomplishments as children and presently is apparent. He thinks learning how to sail at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and instructing sailing at local clubs while in college was good for them, particularly as women.

"My kids learned they can compete anywhere. I think that was one of the influences that have made them successful in their careers," he said. "Sailing is a sport where they're equal."

Morrow says he likes Grosse Pointe for its school system as well as its proximity to the water. Grosse Pointe boaters are especially important to him.

"The people are a laid back group of people. They're very friendly," he said.

"Boating is a family sport and when you went boating, you went boating with your family. I have tried to be with my kids growing up and just relish the camaraderie of other families in the boating community."



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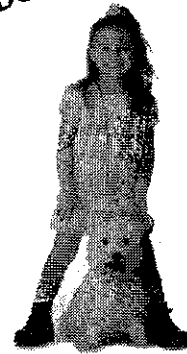
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GROSSE POINTE SHORES

# Spring work starts

Public works employees have been busy erasing winter's legacy.

Beginning last month, they got a jump on good weather and dusted off the street sweeper.

"Made two passes with the street sweeper in early April," said Brett Smith, public works director. "This is the first time we've had it out this early. We plan to keep it out because trees are budding and things are getting messy. But we got a good head start."

Crews are filling potholes with cold patch. Smith said complaints about potholes are

generally handled on the day received, but normal repairs are scheduled for Fridays.

Other efforts include cleaning catch basins.

"This is to prepare for treating catch basins for West Nile virus," Smith said. "We try to do half the village per year."

In a shift to warm weather tasks, crews have been planting flower beds on Lakeshore.

He added, "We've had mowers on the (traffic) islands, not necessarily to cut grass, but to fluff things up and pick up debris and leaves that collected over winter."

—Brad Lindberg



# Building materials exchange Saturday

Building Materials Exchange Day takes place from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 17, in parking Lot S of Grosse Pointe South High School.

The lot is off of Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

The exchange gives residents a chance to dispose of, trade and recycle building materials that tend to accumulate unused in garages, basements and attics.

Acceptable items include working appliances, bath fixtures and tubs, new carpeting at least 8-by-10 feet, drywall a minimum of 4-by-8 feet, electrical supplies, gently used home and office furniture, hardware for doors and more, insulation, lighting products, lumber at least 8 feet long, tools, paint and painting supplies, plumbing supplies, sinks, shutters, window blinds and windows.

All items must be in good and saleable condition.

Exchange day was first organized by a group of Grosse Pointe Farms residents, but is now sponsored by the city in cooperation with Habitat for Humanity.

Habitat representatives will be at the exchange to accept donations and issue receipts for income tax purposes.

Habitat has a ReStore that relies on donations of new and used building materials and home items. Habitat will pick up large, hard-to-move items.

For more information, contact Habitat for Humanity Detroit ReStore at (313) 653-4890.

# Honolulu reader

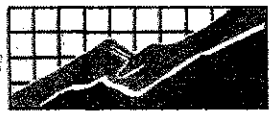
Retired Lt. Col. Jack and Dolores Voyles visited Hickam Air Force Base during their month-long vacation in Honolulu, Hawaii. While there, they read the Grosse Pointe News. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have your photo taken in front of a local landmark.

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For more than 70 years, The Salvation Army Denby Center has been a refuge for children and teens in times of crisis. Located in northwest Detroit, the Center provides short- and long-term care for abused, neglected and troubled children and maternity care for pregnant teenage girls in a residential setting. Each year, Denby services hundreds of children and teenagers, encouraging and empowering these youth to grow beyond their circumstances and reach their full potential.

Through the social stigma against teen pregnancy has weakened in recent decades, The Salvation Army continues serving at-risk mothers, because the organization values life and recognizes the untapped potential of these young people. Denby's maternity program provides services to girls and young women between the ages of 13 to 21. Participants are given complete pre-natal and on-going medical care and are assigned to a social worker who helps them plan for their transition to motherhood. After delivery new moms are supported for up to three years with follow-up visits by social workers to ensure they stay on track and achieve educational, personal and employment goals.

## WATER: Money needed for upgrades

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2008-09 fiscal year to be funded from the water and sewer fund total \$800,000. Proposed projects include sewer line replacement, work at Lake Front Park and concrete replacement.

The \$7 increase per billing cycle will generate \$616,500 in revenue for capital improvements. The city council, meeting as the Committee of

the Whole, voted unanimously to recommend the rate hike at its Monday, May 12 meeting.

"We recognize that this is a noticeable rate increase, but I don't think we have a choice," said Mayor Robert Novitke. "We have projects that must be done, and we'll have a problem with our infrastructure if we fall too far behind."

In addition to adequately funding reserves, Wollenweber advised the city that it needs to be prepared for what is referred to as "look backs" from Detroit on water charges.

"In the fall, Detroit will look at the rate it charged and de-

termine whether the city was charged correctly," he explained. "We can either be charged more, or we can have money refunded to us. Historically, about two thirds of the time, we have had a positive adjustment, but we have to be prepared either way. Detroit can't make a profit on water, but it can make a reasonable rate of return. The look back adjustment allows for that."

The water and sewer rate increases are part of the proposed 2008-09 fiscal year budget.

The council will hold a public hearing on the budget at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 19.

## BILLS: Figures not unusual

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aren't unusual.

"We've always had delin-

quent accounts," she said. "A lot of times it's that same people. They just let it go, but they pay their taxes."

The City charter directs the municipal assessor to prepare a toll of delinquent water customers, together with expenses incurred by the city in providing other services, plus the penalty.

"Unpaid charges and penalties are then considered a lien against the property and are placed on the 2008 City tax bill for collection," Johnson said.

She said informational notices showing delinquent charges were mailed March 1.

"We accept collections right up to the bitter end," Johnson said.

## YESTERDAY: A look at the headlines

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storage facility and concession stand near the school's football field.

The 25-by-28 foot facility approved by the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission will be paid for from athletic admission fees and money given by the school board and the North booster club.

Plans are for the building to be complete by the start of the next school year.

### ◆ ROTARY SHAPES UP TOT LOT

The Grosse Pointe Rotary Club revealed concept drawings for a complete makeover of the Tot Lot at Elworthy Field in the City of Grosse Pointe in honor of the playscape's 25th anniversary.

The project involves replacing existing equipment with 25 new play units, including a four-seat teeter-totter, above ground tunnels and a "jigglin' triceratops."

The system, a pump that pushes air through a hose with thousands of tiny holes, circulates and oxygenates water to stave off high E.coli bacteria levels. The high levels are caused mostly from upstream waste runoff and bird droppings.

### ◆ SOCCER FIELD DELAY

A mixup as to who was re-

sponsible for removing utility poles delayed the construction of a temporary soccer field at the corner of Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Even with the delay, the field should be ready for light use in the fall and a full season next spring.

—By Karen Fontanive

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## Soldier care package party

Celebrate Armed Forces Day by helping create care packages for U.S. Marine Corps troops stationed in Afghanistan.

The event will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Friends and family of U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Will Thompson, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident and Grosse Pointe North High School graduate, are organizing the event and asking others to join in.

"We just want these men and women to know that we're thinking about them and to cheer them up by sending them a little bit of home," said Ellisse Rutkofske, Thompson's fiancée.

"We're looking for items

### Care package

Date: Saturday, May 17

Time: 1 to 4 p.m.

Place: Grosse Pointe War Memorial  
Needs: Letters, home-made cookies, snacks, old DVDs, books, games, toiletries, baby wipes, Under Armour T-shirts, canned fruits, vegetables, black or white socks, phone cards and batteries.

like letters of encouragement, home made cookies, snacks, old DVDs, books, games, toiletries, baby wipes, Under Armour green or brown T-shirts or underwear, canned fruits and vegetables, black or white socks, phone cards, batteries or even donations to buy them things they can't get for themselves," Rutkofske said.

Thompson, a former Eagle Scout, who will turn 22 years old on Memorial Day, is on his second tour of duty in the war zone.

His unit is stationed in Kandahar, Afghanistan, but the 2nd Recon battalion, Bravo Company, 2nd Platoon has been searching and battling the Taliban in the southern Helmand Province.

They recently were featured on national TV and newspaper reports during fighting in the Helmand poppy fields.

"What's a better Armed Forces Day event than to do something special for these guys who are sacrificing so much for us?" Rutkofske asked.

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## WEEK AHEAD:

MONDAYDAY, MAY 19

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

◆ The Lake Township board meets at 5:30 p.m. in the township hall, 795 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Children's Choir presents "Rhythm in My Soul" at 7 p.m. in Fries Auditorium, Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets are \$8 and \$5 for students and seniors.

◆ Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit, hosts "Chat with Commish Killeen" from 9 to 10 a.m. in Grosse Pointe City Hall, 15115 E. Jefferson.

TUESDAY, MAY 20

◆ The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores council meets at 7 p.m. in the village hall, 795 Lakeshore.

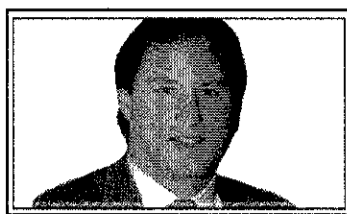
◆ The Grosse Pointe Township board meets at 8 a.m. in the township hall, 795 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.





I SAY By Brad Lindberg

# Thinking about a fitness workout



Who'd have guessed that Ken Welch was so philosophical? "People don't realize that strength training and working out in general is psychological and emotional. Then its physical," said Welch, owner of Pointe Fitness & Training Center. "You feel your body becoming stronger, which leads to feeling more confident about yourself. There's a whole

bunch of things that happen. It's not just about lifting weights."

Welch's comments came while being interviewed for last week's feature story on swimming's poor reputation as a weight-loss exercise. Swimming burns calories and builds muscle, but in a six-month medical study, swimmers actually gained weight compared with separate groups of people assigned to walking or bicycling.

The critical variable seemed to be the participants' caloric intake. Swimmers ate more than the other two groups. Swimming, it was concluded, triggered appetite, possibly due to immersion in water colder than one's body temper-

ature.

Welch said many swimmers hoping to lose weight could do better by incorporating resistance training, or weight lifting, into an overall scheme of alternating fitness activities.

Everyone interviewed for the article said likewise; namely, the doctor who conducted the weight loss study, the coach of a championship high school swim team and a physical therapist that used to swim competitively.

Welch said many candidates for buffing up are stubborn about allowing themselves to be educated about strength training.

"There's a certain dread, a certain relationship to past experiences that keeps some peo-

ple from coming into a gym, both in terms of barriers that prevent you from coming in and what you experience while going through exercises," Welch said.

He has a theory. "It gets back to high school," he said. "For a lot of people who weren't physical, entering a weight training environment is to relive some of those unpleasant experiences of going to gym class, of being humiliated, being made fun of and picked on. It shouldn't be that way, but it is. There are too many negative experiences about a weight room."

I met Welch a few years ago when writing a story about people taking their dogs to work. Welch brought Moe.

Welch rescued the stray mutt from a field, deloused him, fed him and gave him a job and title: Moe the Gym Dog. Moe soon gravitated into management with a style that is curious but unimposing, friendly and self-assured. The dog's appearance and attitude resembled Leo Gorcey as tough but soft-hearted Slip Mahoney holding court in Louie's Sweet Shop of Bowery Boys fame. Moe commandeered the fitness center. I remember interviewing Welch at the gym. Members came in to work out. "Hi Moe." "Hi Moe," they'd say, ignoring Welch. They left saying "Bye, Moe," oblivious to Welch. He sat smiling and shaking his head at his desk (Welch, not Moe) wearing his

nearly trademark outfit: baseball cap covering sandy hair and XXL sweatshirt over thick shoulders.

Back to philosophy. "I'd say 75 percent of people are phobic about working out," Welch said. "The fitness industry continues to sell people — because the industry is afraid of offending them or scaring them off — on the idea that exercise should be fun rather than a necessity. But to come in a gym and tackle weights is not fun. Exercise and being in good shape helps perpetuate your youth. The stronger you are, and the better conditioned you are, allow you to be younger longer. But generally speaking, our society simply has not put that together."

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## Which historical time period would you like to visit and why?

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



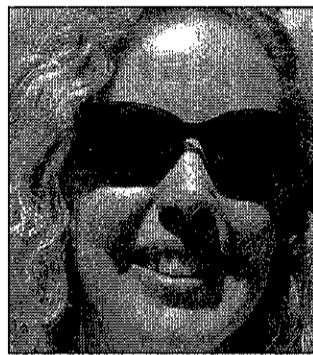
"The 1950s because I like the retro style and the fashions. It would be cool to see it in person."

LEAH NOECKER  
Grosse Pointe Farms



"I would like to visit the Disco Era because when I was younger my friends and I were obsessed with disco music and we liked the fashions."

JESSIE SUTTON  
Grosse Pointe Farms



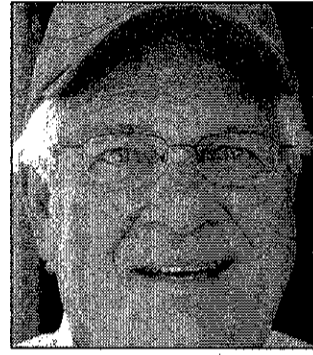
"The early 1900s during women's suffrage so I could help the movement to secure women's rights and the right to vote. It was a very pivotal time."

JENNIFER GREYCHECK  
Grosse Pointe Park



"I think the 1920s was an exciting era of music, automobiles and motion pictures and women's rights. That would be an interesting time to visit."

SUSAN ECKERT  
Traverse City



"I want to go to the future because of all the technological and medical changes that are coming, which will be mind boggling."

E. J. ECKERT

Traverse City

FYI By Ben Burns

## We don't need your negativity



This is a true story. Some names may have been changed to protect the embarrassed.

Mary, a recently retired Grosse Pointe teacher, was sponsoring a "girls weekend out" at the family cottage.

It seems for years she thought it would be a great practical joke to direct unsuspecting guests to a rundown, ramshackle mess down the road apiece from the family digs, just to see the looks on their faces when they saw it. But her husband always talked her out of the gag when he was along for the weekend. He thought it was a bad idea.

Since at least two of her girlfriends had never seen the cottage before, Mary decided the time had come.

With two other girlfriends aboard, Mary met the unsuspecting duo at the port on a rainy day to ostensibly guide them to the weekend retreat. She drove her aging van up to the bogus cottage and discovered there was no driveway, so she pulled off onto the edge of the grass to await her friends'

reactions. They pulled off the road behind her so as not to block traffic.

No sooner did the two vehicles stop than a woman emerged from another nearby cottage and began shouting at the women from some distance. Mary decided she wouldn't walk her friends up to the front door of the derelict cottage. The shouting woman was obviously displeased and when one of Mary's friends — Jane — tried to communicate with the irate woman by holding her hand up to her ear to indicate she couldn't make out the words, the woman shouted louder, but came no closer. "I think she is telling us to 'Go to H---,'" Jane eventually translated. Someone suggested that another of the guests — a minister — give the woman some Christian counsel, but she demurred.

By this time Mary decided to abort the joke and get the heck out of there. She then discovered her van was stuck fast in mud and no matter how hard she tried she couldn't rock it out. Her four friends — two still dressed in business attire and two casual for the weekend — got behind and pushed. Still stuck. It dug itself in.

So the friends crossed the narrow road to collect sticks and stones to put under the rear wheels to give the old van traction. Meanwhile a man

*"Just because it's in Canada, the river does not keep the air from staying on one side or the other. . . I don't think borders make a difference when it comes to this. The air, water, it all mixes."*

— Doug Martz, Macomb Water Quality Board chairman

emerged from the distant cottage and drove up to the scene on a golf cart.

Rather than dismounting and coming to their aid, he shouted to the four women, "Push harder, push harder."

Mary blew an internal fuse and told the fellow: "If you aren't going to help push, get out of here. We don't need your negativity."

That broke up the four guests pushing because they were sure only a proper Grosse Pointe teacher would have used "negativity" at that point.

The van finally rocked free and the group arrived at the real cottage, retrieved a hoe and shovels and returned to the scene to repair the damaged lawn in five minutes.

And courtesy of Jane, all of the women now sport T-shirts that say on the front: "We don't need your negativity." And on the back: "Push harder. Push harder."

It appears that Mary accidentally designed a heck of a bonding exercise and it is unlikely she will try that particular prac-

tical joke again. A poet Robbie Burns once penned: "The best laid plans o' mice an' men gang aft a-gley." That's colloquial Scots for it's easy to screw up a practical joke.

### Renewed vows

A source informed me that his son, John, and daughter-in-law, Kelly, of the Woods were planning to renew their wedding vows on their 10th anniversary by flying to Las Vegas and having an Elvis impersonator officiate. Based on the motto: "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas," let's hope they don't bring the fake Elvis home to the Grosse Pointes. After all, the real Elvis was reportedly last seen in a fast food restaurant in Kalamazoo.

### Troop support

You still have time to show your support for our troops by helping out local Marine Sgt. William Thompson and his colleagues gather care packages for the Marines of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, 2nd Recon Battalion in

Kandahar, Afghanistan.

On Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Reception Room, volunteers will be collecting and packaging items to ship to the troops.

Thompson says items could include: letters of encouragement, DVDs, books, games, toiletries, baby wipes, Under Armour green or brown T-shirts and underwear, canned fruits and vegetables, black or white socks, phone cards, batteries or just plain cash. They'll purchase equipment with the latter.

If you have questions, e-mail [Ellisse112886@aol.com](mailto:Ellisse112886@aol.com)

### The lake

If you care about water quality in Lake St. Clair, you might want to pay attention to a Port Huron Times Herald story that Shell Canada is proposing to build an oil refinery in St. Clair

Township, Ontario, which is on the Walpole Island reservation.

The refinery would be about a quarter mile across the St. Clair River from the St. John River District Hospital in East China Township. Shell is proposing building a dock that would service 870 ships a year on top of the 7,000 that already traverse the river.

The paper reports that the St. Clair channel keeper, a group concerned with water quality in the river, the lake and the Detroit River is keeping track of discussions.

Macomb Water Quality Board Chairman Doug Martz is quoted by the Times Herald as saying: "Just because it's in Canada, the river does not keep the air from staying on one side or the other. . . I don't think borders make a difference when it comes to this. The air, water, it all mixes."

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

## Most uninspired governor in state's history

As we examine the condition of our once proud state, I think I speak for thousands of Michiganders who are disgusted with the most uninspired governor in the history of our state.

Her so-called business junkets are legendary for returning no new significant business to the state. What's next, a trip to Bora Bora to attract island pearl divers?

While name-calling is usually counterproductive and fails to resolve issues, nonetheless I

think the word "clueless" best describes our current leader in Lansing.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm, her administration and her spouse have turned this state into a national comedy act, but unfortunately none of the residents are laughing.

Her policies border on lunacy and demonstrate a complete lack of understanding of issues. Were she the CEO of a company, the board would have removed her long ago and relegated her to the scrap heap of incompetent amateurs.

Having met with Granholm shortly after her first election regarding the continuation of the Engler inspired Michigan Quality Council which focused on strengthening organizations in the state, I can attest to her charm. A charm sprinkled in with a shallow understanding of business issues, which obviously has trailed her during her lackluster term.

Economic development is obviously not in her wheelhouse.

We now await with great anticipation for the next series of pronouncements to come out

of Lansing, aka, The Tower of Babel, and the itinerary of her next junket.

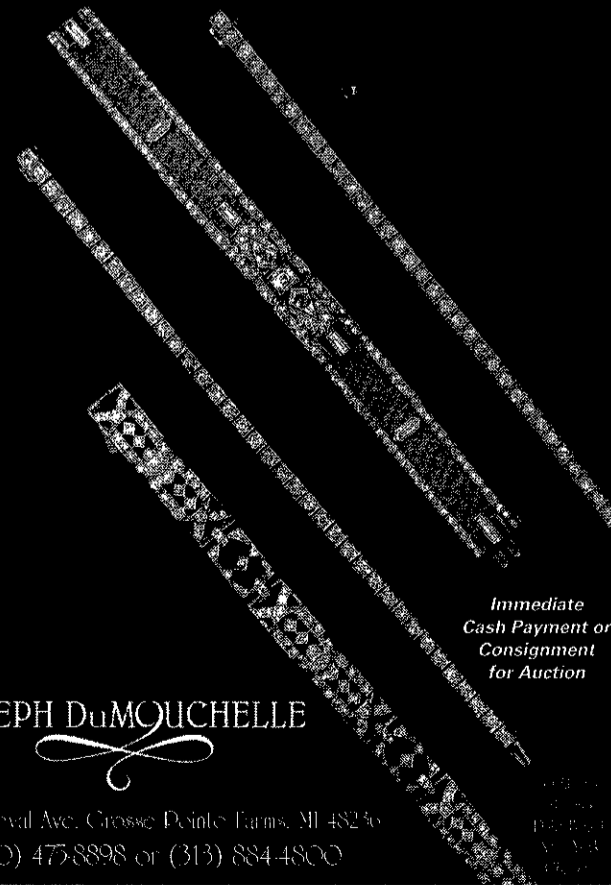
To think that she opted out of the Holland Tulip Parade to review alternative energy sources in Israel and Kuwait. Had she stayed in Michigan and participated in the Holland festivities, she could have discovered that the Dutch have long ago found an alternative — it's called windmills.

Bill Kalmar is the former director of the Michigan Quality Council and a former resident of Grosse Pointe.

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Patio service and liquor sales are coming to The Hill.

# Hill gets outdoor seating

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Instead of reading this you could be sipping highballs outside The Hill Seafood & Chop House.

Hill owners on Monday night won approval from the Farms council to pop the cork on warm weather outdoor seating with liquor sales.

"We'd like to do it this week," said Gretchen Meeuws, manager.

There will be no bar outside. Pending approval by the

Liquor Control Commission, 12 to 14 customers at a time will be able to eat, drink and be merry under a navy blue awning "designed for elegance" with gold leaf lettering and the company logo.

Designers selected blue and white French cafe chairs with woven simulated wicker for hearty outdoor use.

Peter Cross, one of the restaurant's four new owners, all of whom he said are Farms residents, said outdoor service is the latest in a line of improvements.

"We've gone through extensive remodeling," Cross said. "We have new management doing a fabulous job. We've elevated The Hill to where it should be. Being outside, it will draw more people to the Hill shopping area."

Mayor James Farquhar called outdoor seating a "nice addition to the venue on the Hill."

Approval also came from the public safety department, according to Councilwoman Therese Joseph, chair of the parking and traffic committee.

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# Cubs invited To Fire into Scouting

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Boys entering first grade in the fall may join "Fire Into

Scouting," from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18 at the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Department on Mack.

This event teaches boys and their families all there is to know about becoming a Tiger Cub.

Leaders of packs from Ferry, Mason and Monteith schools will be on hand to introduce boys to the types of activities they will participate in their first year of scouting. In addition to meeting Cub Scout leaders, the boys and their families can visit with Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety personnel, explore public safety equipment and have a chance to operate a fire hose.

Fire safety education materials will be available, as well as free finger printing.

"Scouting has been a tradition in Grosse Pointe Woods

for over 50 years," said Richard Shetler, Jr., an organizer of the event. "We invite all boys and their families to this event. All Grosse Pointe Woods scout troops will be represented and we'll have all the information they'll need on our yearly activities, like the Pine Wood Derby, Rain Gutter Regatta and Operation Can-Do."

"We also want to thank the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety department for their hospitality."

"Fire Into Scouting" is sponsored by the Detroit Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Fire stations throughout the district are holding open houses for prospective Tiger Scouts.

The Boy Scouts of America will celebrate its centennial in 2010.

## GROSSE POINTE SHORES

# All summer Osius Park jobs filled

At Osius Park, all lifeguard, gate guard and maintenance jobs for the summer have been filled, according to Jim Cooke, park director.

Gate house operations are scheduled to increase to full hours on May 15 to coincide with the opening of the harbor. "Right now (during harbor construction), we're almost at (full time) just to keep an eye

on things at night because we're missing gates and the park is kind of open," Cooke said.

He added that requests are pouring in to reserve the pavilion for picnics.

"If you're planning something big for summer, you might want to get that (reservation) in," he said.

— Brad Lindberg

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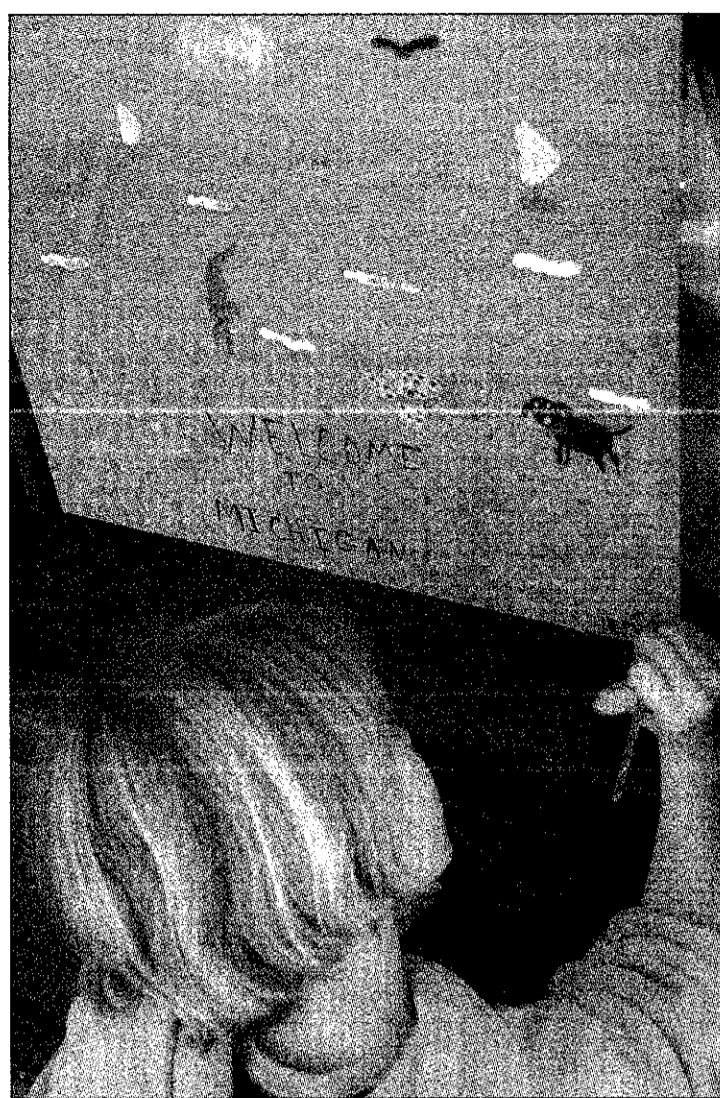
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## Michigan painters

Sunny skies provided inspiration for young artists taking part in this year's Paint the Window contest in the Village shopping district of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Far left, Emily Greycheck signs her painting of dogs playing in the sand on the beach.

Greycheck won Honorable Mention for her painting.

Left, Ella Koss, Brandon Murphy and Grace Foster are busy creating their paintings for the contest. Some children brought sketches and some painted freehand.

## Pointes for Peace to hold public forum

Mark Fancher, American Civil Liberties Union attorney, will address a Pointes for Peace public forum at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library - Ewald Branch, 15175 E. Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park.

"Race Relations: How Far Have We Come?" is the topic of Fancher's presentation which will include time for audience dialogue. The program is free and open to the public.

Fancher directs the Racial Justice Project of the Michigan ACLU. Previously he was the senior staff attorney for the Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice, a national non-profit organization headquartered in Detroit. He also has served as a visiting professor at the University of Michigan Law School and before moving to Michigan, was the director of litigation for Camden Regional Legal

Services in New Jersey.

A published author, Fancher has lectured across the United States and has written extensively on issues including self-determination for Africa and the African diaspora, indigenous peoples, land and resource rights and political repression.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group of east-siders and others who are committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels.

Membership is free. All are welcome at Pointes for Peace weekly gatherings at 7 p.m. Sundays at Panera Bread on Kercheval in the Grosse Pointe Village.

For more information or to be added to the Pointes for Peace mailing list, call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732 or e-mail [pointesforpeace@yahoo.com](mailto:pointesforpeace@yahoo.com).

## Republican Club hosts candidate forum

The Eastside Republican Club holds a Republican Candidates Forum at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The public may attend this free event.

Six people have filed to run for the Republican nomination for state representative in District 1. Rep. Edward Gaffney's term is expiring this year.

The candidates are: Grosse Pointe Park Councilman Dan Grano; Grosse Pointe Farms Councilwoman Therese Joseph; Grosse Pointe Councilman John Stempfle; Grosse Pointe Woods Councilman Pete Waldmeir;

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mary Treder Lang; and Grosse Pointe Park resident John Simon.

"This is a great opportunity to meet these candidates and to learn about their qualifications and platforms," said Julie Corbett, the club's chairwoman.

"The audience will have time to direct questions to the candidates."

The winner of the Republican nomination for state representative will be determined at the Aug. 5 primary election.

For more information, or questions about the forum or the Eastside Republican Club, call Tom McCleary at (313) 882-2709.

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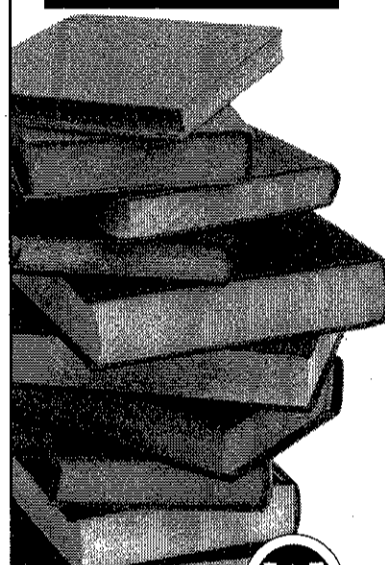
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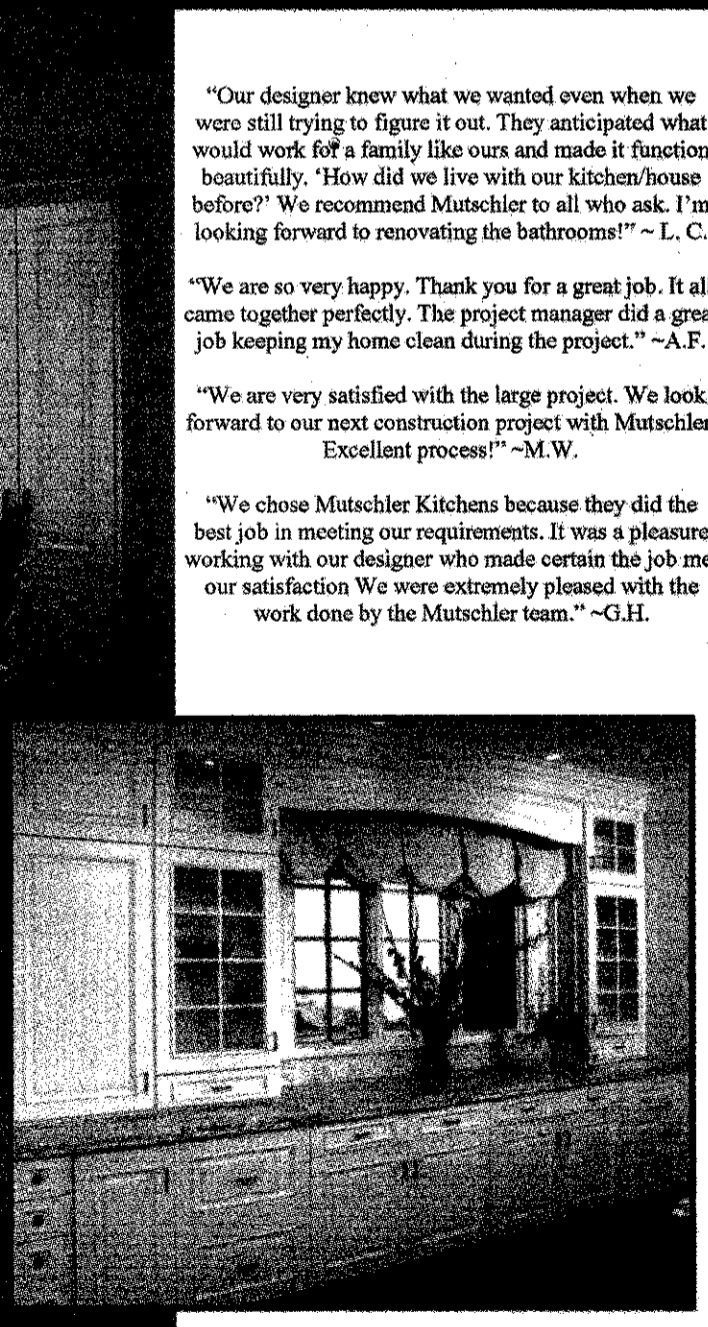
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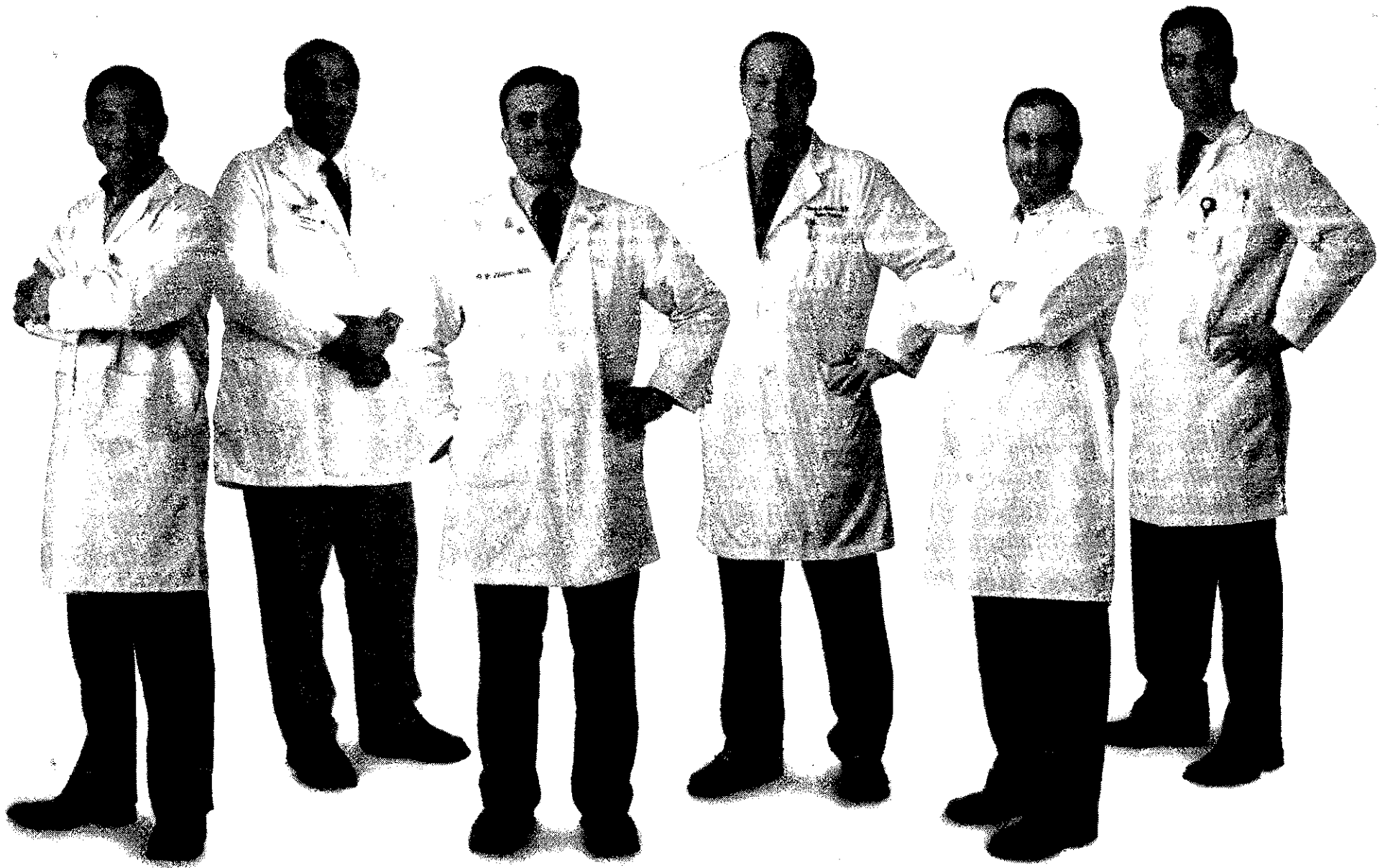
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GROSSE POINTE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

## ChiTown tips earns North musicians bravo

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

Don't be surprised to hear

the Grosse Pointe North High School band and orchestra play the song, "My Kind of Town," in remembrance of the great weekend it had in

Chicago. Four busloads of North musicians took the Windy City by storm when they recently performed at the Dixie Classic

2008 National Adjudicator's Invitational.

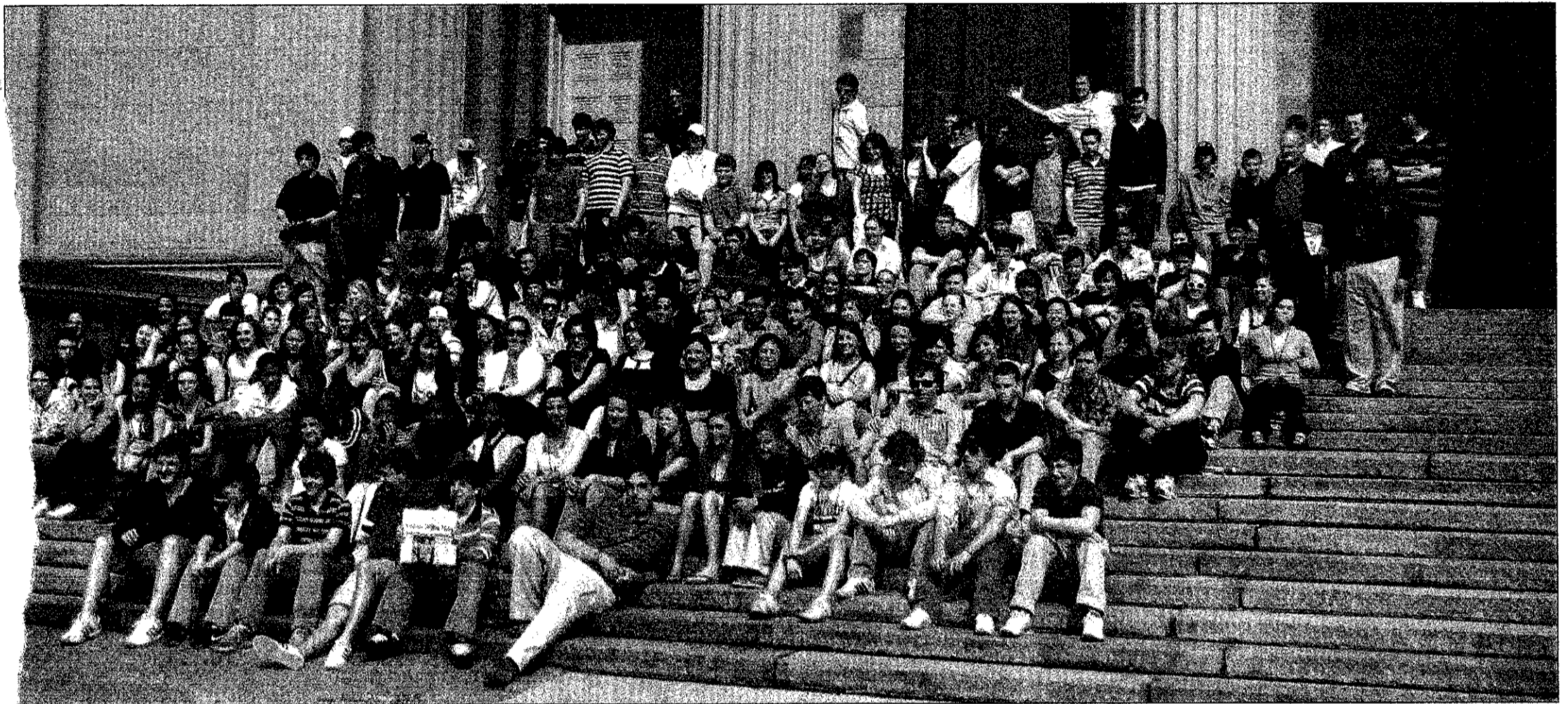
"This is one of the most prestigious festivals in the country," said Dave Cleveland, North's

director of instrumental music.

An invitation to the competition is extended only to past winners at other national festivals.

North was one of 20 groups asked to attend, Cleveland said.

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Grosse Pointe North High School band and orchestra members were able to take in some of Chicago's sights during a break from the The Dixie Classic 2008 National Adjudicators Invitational. The entire band and orchestra poses in front of the Museum of Science and Industry.

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The young musicians were required to perform three pieces of music off a list preselected by the invitational organizers.

"These consisted of more se-

Senior clarinetist **Julienne Hong**, left, received the Most Outstanding Soloist Award for her performance of the Mozart Clarinet Concerto with the orchestra. North's symphony band, above, received a superior rating at the Dixie Classic 2008 National Adjudicators Invitational held recently in Chicago.

rious classical music, Cleveland said.

He added that the student spent the last two months practicing.

"A lot of time was invested into preparing for this weekend," Cleveland said.

North musicians performed at near perfect levels and received the largest number of trophies at the awards ceremony, he said.

"They all were very happy," Cleveland said. "Their hard work paid off."

The full orchestra and symphony band received a superior rating and the concert band earned an excellent rating.

The symphony band's woodwind section received the Most Outstanding Woodwind Section Award.

"The judges were very, very impressed by the woodwind section," Cleveland said.

**GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

**Klein recognized for volunteering**

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

Superintendent Suzanne Klein is a busy woman. Not only does she oversee the Grosse Pointe's public school system, but she volunteers her time at the University of Michigan.

For her effort, U of M and the University of Council for Educational Administration recently awarded Klein with the Excellence in Educational Leadership Award for 2008.

The award honors practicing school administrators who have made significant contributions to the improvement of administrator preparation.

In 2005, Klein was chosen to be a member of an advisory board for the University of Michigan's Education Leadership Center.

The board planned and implemented professional development programs for Michigan school superintendents.

These opportunities have included customized training sessions on positive organizational scholarship, balanced leadership, and financial policies.

"In addition to giving gener-



Superintendent Suzanne Klein

ously of her time to help the university identify and respond to leaders' professional development needs across the state, Dr. Klein has shown support by attending many of the center's initial professional development offerings," UCEA officials stated.

"Dr. Klein listens actively, raises critical issues, and presents viable and relevant proposals. In doing this, she has exemplified all the characteristics of a lifelong learner who is committed to the ongoing preparation and development of school leaders at all levels."

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June 12 may mark the official end of the traditional school year, but learning doesn't end there in the Grosse Pointe public schools.

The district offers an educational summer program that reinforces the curriculum and is combined with activities at all three levels.

Most of these courses are taught by the district's staff. There are several new courses being offered this year at the elementary, middle school and high school level. New mini-

sessions have been added to fit into summer schedules.

High school classes begin July 7 and middle school classes begin July 8 unless otherwise noted. Elementary sessions start July 8 unless otherwise noted.

For more information, contact Heather Halpin in the elementary summer school office at (313) 432-3094 and Ranae Beyerlein in the middle and high school summer school office at (313) 432-3095. The complete summer

*High school classes start July 7, others July 8.*

school brochures, along with registration forms, can be accessed online at [gpschools.org/summerschool](http://gpschools.org/summerschool). E-mail to [ranae.beyerlein@gpschools.org](mailto:ranae.beyerlein@gpschools.org) or [heather.halpin@gpschools.org](mailto:heather.halpin@gpschools.org) for more information.

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# More parking for Fisher near Maumee

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

A parking crunch in the 300 block of Fisher could get a little softer with creation of a new parking lot.

Construction is expected to start near month's end and yield 21 spaces to a mini business district known for high-volume attractions and corresponding traffic.

City of Grosse Pointe planners in April approved con-

struction located off an existing alley linking Maumee with a municipal parking lot next to Farms Fresh Market.

The new lot's owners expect construction to end by mid-summer.

Brothers Larry and Steve Najier own the lot and adjacent market. The brothers are making way for more parking by purchasing a house on Maumee opposite the alley.

"We're hoping to tear down the house, clean up the prop-



erty and add parking spaces," said Larry Najier.

City planners endorsed the brothers' plan, in part because the Najiers met with nearby homeowners and promised to screen the commercial border with a six-foot tall brick wall and row of 10-to-12-foot tall arborvitae.

"The remaining greenbelt area will be planted with hedge maple trees and English yews," said John Jackson, vice president of the City's planning consultants, McKenna Associates. "The proposed screen wall and landscaping exceeds ordinance requirements and meets the height, material and length agreed upon between (the Najiers) and adjacent property owner."

Larry Najier intends for construction to solve what he termed the present parking "situation."

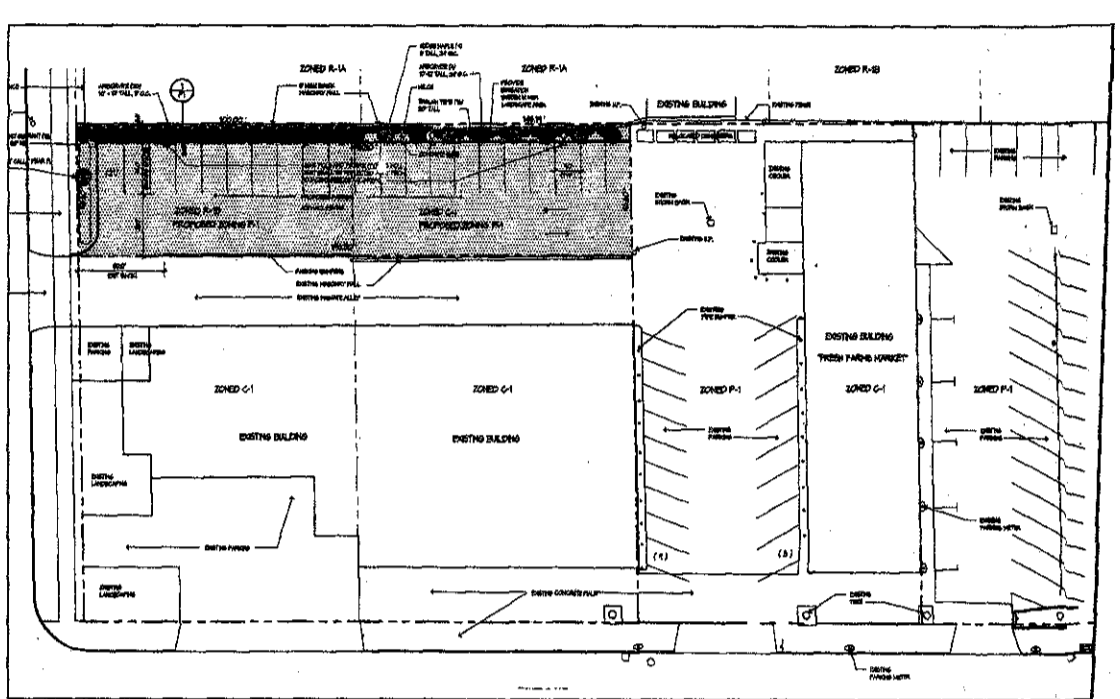


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A house will make way for additional parking off an alley linking Maumee with a lot next to Farms Fresh Market. The lot will be behind shops on Fisher.

"On one side of the market, we lease parking spaces from the city," Najier said. "On the other side, we have parking allocated from the landlord."

Customer parking comes first, which he said doesn't

leave much space for store employees and associates.

Najier said he hopes to clear the deck and provide "closer and better parking for customers."

The area hosts a rainbow of

retailers that draw the general public and lure students from across Fisher at Grosse Pointe South High School. There's a beauty salon, dry clean, sandwich shop, tanning salon, athletic club with a small parking lot, women's clothing store, shoe repair service, insurance agency and more.

And there's the market. During the Najiers' 11 years of ownership, they've expanded hours of operation, updated the front facade and added sidewalk displays of fruit, vegetables and flowers.

"With the remodeling, we intended to bring the inside of the store out to the customers and at the same time, have the outside draw into the store," Larry Najier said. "We wanted to create a New York community market feeling, like in Greenwich Village."

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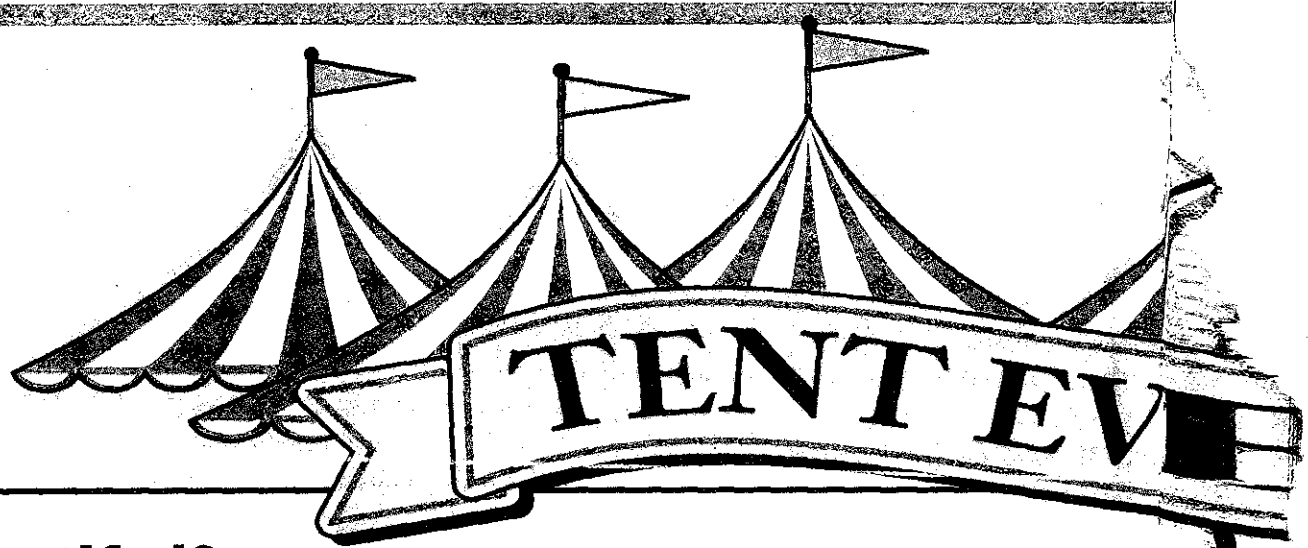
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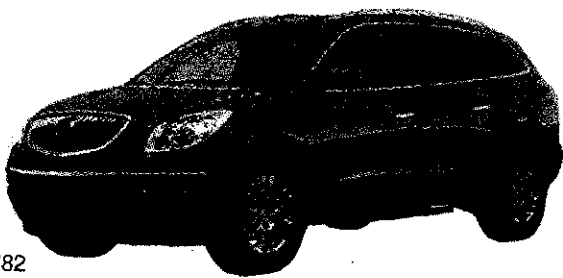


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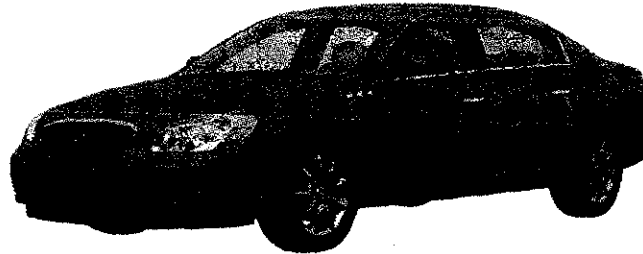
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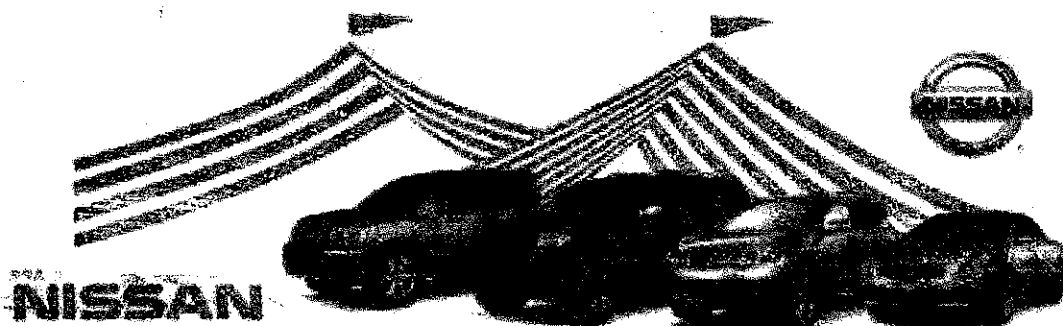
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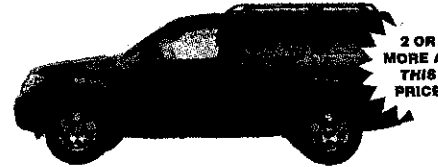
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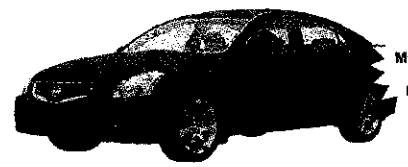
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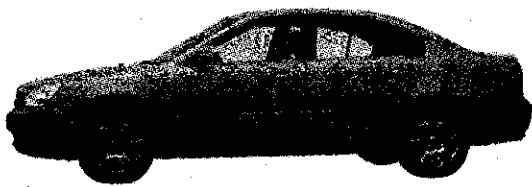
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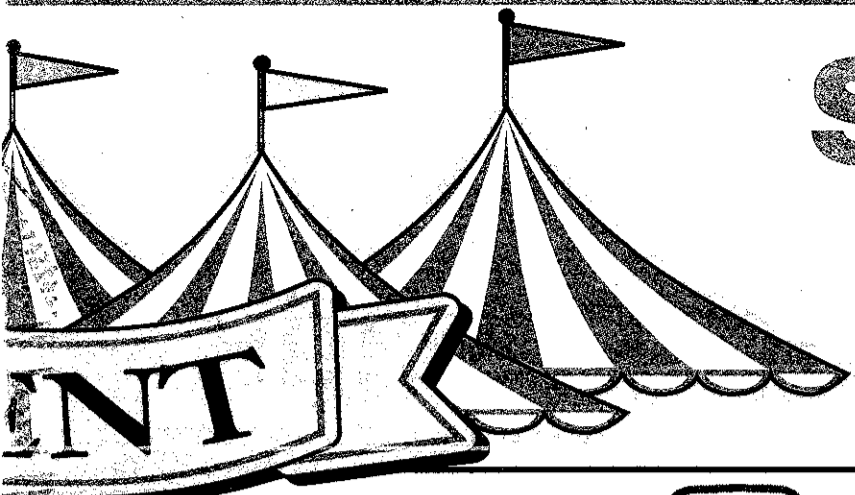


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AUTOS By Jenny King

The all-new 2008 Infiniti G37 Coup combines performance, styling and the modern sporty interior of the original Infiniti G Coupe. One leading enhancement is the new 3.7-liter V6 engine.

## 2008 Infiniti G37 coupe turns heads



We've had the pleasure of greeting spring behind the wheel of two very different, very enjoyable two-door coupes.

The first, a 2008 bright red Infiniti G37 sport model with six-speed manual transmission; the second a nifty silver 2008 Ford Focus with heated leather seats.

Infiniti is Nissan's luxury brand, introduced to the North American market almost 20 years ago. In addition to larger sedans and SUVs, Infiniti offers a beautiful, fairly affordable coupe, the G37.

As you might surmise, the "37" refers to the engine size. It's a large 3.7-liter V-6 that is rated at a whopping 330 horsepower. Nissan says this revised engine contains some "35 percent new and unique parts" from the new 3.5-liter engine introduced on the 2007 G35 sedan a year ago.

The press car was equipped with a smooth, fun to use, six-speed manual transmission. The V-6 with this transmission is rated at 17 miles per gallon in the city and 26 mpg on the highway. There was a small moving bar graph just above the steering column that indicated just how well you were doing in mpgs. For neighborhood adventures — library, grocery store, whatever — it was usually below the 20 mpg

mark.

The G37 Coupe can be ordered with an electronically controlled 5-speed automatic transmission with manual mode, downshift rev matching and Adaptive Shift Control that allows for quicker shifts in sporty driving situations.

The base price on this rear-drive G37 model with manual transmission was \$35,550 and included features such as 19-inch aluminum alloy wheels, a sport-tuned suspension, leather-appointed front buckets with multi-direction power adjustments, roof-mounted side impact curtains and a seven-inch color display screen which required some homework in the owner's manual to comprehend. In its design favor, all the buttons — and there are a lot of them — were easy to reach and use.

The sportscar-like Infiniti G37 is not the easiest vehicle to enter or exit. Seating seems lower to the ground and the two doors are wide and heavy. Drivers who prefer to back up while sticking one's head out the window for the better view will find it quite awkward to swivel the top half to the left while working the clutch, which offers its own resistance.

Once you are in, comfortably seated and in a forward gear, you will be quite happy with the quiet engine performance and the maneuverability of the G37. You probably will not welcome too many opportunities to get in and out of the car.

Greg Pond, a piano tuner who looks after instruments around the metropolitan area, climbed aboard for a quick sit at the wheel. Long-legged, he said he really liked the pull-out



The Infiniti G37 sport 6MT coupe combines great styling with smooth performance.

adjustable lower thigh cushion and thigh bolsters that characterize the driver's seat. Pond said he misses good leg support in most vehicles.

Many observers seemed to approve of the "vibrant red" exterior of the G37. Among them was a long-time friend who commented on its beautiful color but added that she would not, after having owned one, return to a two-door body style.

Here's the rub. Using the two-person back seat in the G37 requires two hands and patience. The simple act of letting a mid-size dog in meant pulling the back of the driver's seat forward and then pressing the adjustment button that would move the entire seat toward the steering wheel.

In its normal position, the seat, even with its back folded, is too close to the B-pillar of the car to permit anything larger than the rabbits who feast on my hapless tulips to get into the back seat. And the driver's safety belt is in the way.

The Infiniti and the little Ford Focus might take a page from the Volkswagen Beetle front seat design. Beetle seats raise up and forward by pulling a single handle. The up and forward provides generous entry to the rear seat. Presumably, fancy 12-way power seats cannot perform those gymnastics because of their wiring and positioning on the seat rails.

The Infiniti featured the smart key instead of a traditional key and ignition key slot. The battery-operated smart key picks up a signal from your car — it is programmed that way.

As soon as you are within a certain distance from your locked vehicle, the door or trunk will unlock — you do have to lift the handle to finish the job, but it isn't necessary to press an unlock button on that slippery fob.

Once settled behind the wheel, depress the brake pedal — and clutch in the Infiniti with manual transmission — and press that old-fashioned starter button on the instrument panel to the right of the steering column.

Bill Kwong, spokesman for Nissan/Infiniti rival Toyota, gave answers to additional questions.

What happens when the battery in the fob runs out of juice? A smart key fob contains a real honest-to-goodness key inside that will open your doors.

But there's no ignition slot. Not to worry, said Kwong. Hold

the fob close to that starter button and proceed as usual.

These are called "passive immobilizer starts," he said, and will get you where you need to go — perhaps for some time. Best, however, to put a stop at the watch repair shop at the top of your list. Such places are likely to have the replacement battery you need to put the smart key back in full service.

"Our experience is a smart key battery will last two to three years before needing to be replaced," says Kwong. "If someone is using the car a lot, it might only go one to one-and-a-half years."

New cars typically come with two smart keys. Kwong said he thought a customer could pay for three or four more, if needed. They would be purchased and programmed for the vehicle at the dealership.

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**AUTOWIRE.NET** By Bruce Hotchkiss

The 2008 Saab 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan is a mature, charismatic drive with solid value, lively character and European flair. If you're ever in a collision, this Saab has the type of protection needed.

# You can only get 'Saabness' at Saab

If you look up the word "iconoclast" you will undoubtedly see a picture of a Saab. Even though it is part of the General Motors family, there is almost nothing traditional about a Saab.

Sure they abandoned the "north/south" engine placement in favor of the more common transverse front wheel drive configuration. But deep in the soul of every Saab I am sure there is still a little two-stroke engine waiting to go rallying.

When I was a lad growing up in Eastern Connecticut, there were few choices for safe winter driving, and fewer still for fun. If you had a traditional American car, you could mount your snow tires, throw on tire chains, and load up the trunk with sand bags. Or you could buy a four wheel drive vehicle, which meant some clunky utility vehicle. But if you wanted fun in the snow, you bought a two-stroke Saab, a funny, funky, front-wheel-drive Swedish car.

Those days, and those Saabs, are long gone. Saab, like every other automaker, has had to grow or die. So Saab now makes more mainstream cars, even if they are still iconoclasts.

The Saab 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan is the "base" Saab. I put that in quotes because it is anything but base. Saabs have not been the Spartan mode of transportation for many generations. The 9-3 is a medium — the U.S. EPA says it is a "premium compact" — size, four-door sedan, with seating for five and decent luggage room.

The styling is still familiar, even with its European clues. You may not know it is a Saab from the back or sides, but one look at the front, the grille, and if you are even a tiny bit car savvy, you will know it's a Saab.

Under the hood of the 9-3 2.0T is a 2.0-liter, DOHC, 16-valve, turbocharged, all-aluminum, four-cylinder engine that puts out 210 horsepower. Two transmissions are available; a 5-speed manual/automatic or a 6-speed manual. The car I drove had the automatic that worked fine.

It is kind of funny not that many years ago a 210 horsepower engine would have been considered powerful. Now it is just average. It is amazing what a few years and good computer programming can do for an engine.

Saabs have always been known as cars with spacious interiors and the 9-3 does not disappoint. Swedes are known as big people, so it should be no surprise that five big guys can fit in the 9-3. One area the 9-3 Sport does not shine in is cargo space. Fifteen cubic feet is not that great.

But the 9-3 makes up for any storage shortcomings when you get behind the wheel. Saabs have always had a combination of suppleness and handling. Cars are a product of the country of origin. If they come from a northern climate, where the winters are long and cold, they will have great heaters and defrosters, and their suspensions will be tuned for roads that may not be as smooth as those in southern California.

driving hard, so Saabs stick to the road. There is nothing ultra-sophisticated about the suspensions, just attention to detail.

The 9-3 has four-wheel disc brakes with ABS, Electronic Stability Control, and Traction Control. Contact with the earth, be it snow, icy, wet, or dry is through four premium P215/55R16 all-season tires. And they get the job done without imparting harshness to the cabin.

The Swedes are also known for building safe vehicles. Certainly the electronics listed above are part of the overall safety of the 9-3. Plus every 9-3 starts out with a strong, safe "cage" with a Pendulum B-Pillar Side Impact Structure. Then Saab adds in safety gear such as the Saab Active Head Restraints front seats, adaptive front air bags, and side air bags, including head curtain side air bags.

The Swedes also care about fuel economy — you would too if you lived where gasoline is around \$6 per gallon. The 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan is rated at 19 city and 29 highway miles per gallon with the manual transmission, and 19/26 mpg with the automatic.

Saabs have never been cheap, but then you get what you pay for. The base 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan lists for \$28,895. The automatic transmission adds \$1,350, and the upgraded

sound system with Navigation adds



The 2008 Saab 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan.

\$2,145 — in no time the cost is more than \$30,000. There are a lot of cars in that price range, but you can only get "Saabness" at a Saab store. —AutoWire.Net

## Top vehicle's for accessories

When it comes to purchasing a new car or truck, there are no limits to the imagination.

One way to know which vehicles are best suited for accessories and to discover what options are available for a new car, truck or SUV, is to check with the Specialty Equipment Market Association. Each year, the trade group presents the SEMA Vehicle Design Awards to honor the most accessory-friendly vehicles of the year in four separate categories: Truck, Car, SUV and Hybrid.

Winning vehicles are chosen by SEMA member companies, who work year-round with automakers to develop and design aftermarket products and accessories for new vehicles. "The SEMA Design Awards are becoming more exciting

every year with the growing number of accessory-friendly vehicles and options now available for consumers," said John Waraniak, SEMA vice president of vehicle technology. "In recent years, automakers have been working closely with specialty-equipment manufacturers. This alliance is resulting in amazing products and accessories, and they're hitting the market faster than ever before."

### SEMA award winners

◆ Truck: 2008 Nissan Titan. Full-size truck buyers traditionally accessorize more than the general populace, and those looking to do so will find that the new Nissan Titan is the perfect canvas for personalization. With more than 85 SEMA member companies al-

ready offering products and accessories for the truck, it's easy to see that the possibilities for personalizing this truck are endless.

Take, for example, the bed, which is fitted with a channel system featuring adjustable tie-down cleats and optional accessory racks, trays, dividers and storage.

◆ Car: 2008 Cadillac CTS. The redesigned 2008 Cadillac CTS delivers on both the automaker's image and the promise of accessories. SEMA members are excited about the possibilities this vehicle presents for personalization.

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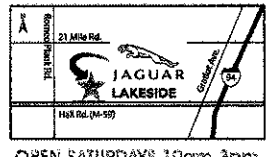
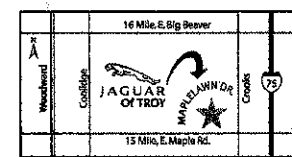
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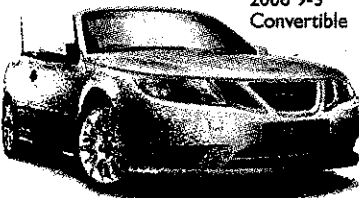
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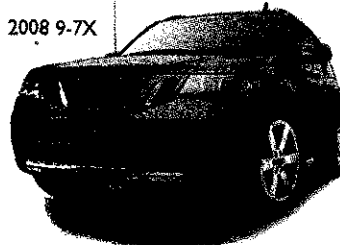
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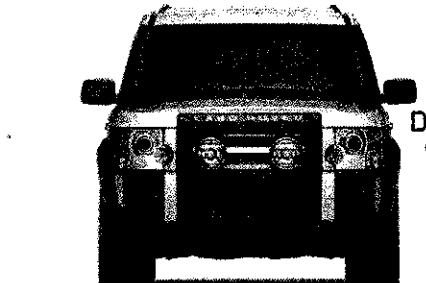
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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The economical 2008 Suzuki SX4, an upright five-door, offers open views of the world beyond, six air bags, all-wheel-drive traction and available stability control.

# '08 Suzuki SX4's an affordable compact



This week, we're behind the wheel of the 2008 Suzuki SX4, a front drive compact sedan that is nimble, versatile and easy on the checkbook — base price: \$16,495; price as tested: \$18,870.

SX4 Sedan is the "car" version of the popular SX4 hatchback we tested last year, and it offers all the same features sans all-wheel-drive. Additionally, the SX4 delivers 22 city and 30 highway EPA fuel mileage numbers, a most welcome perk in this day of \$4 per gallon gas talk.

Delivered via an "out the door" price of \$16,495 retail, including destination (\$625) our tester not only performed flawlessly during our week long drive, it did surprisingly well in several snowstorms that hit our area through the latter part of the winter.

Unlike other manufacturers, Suzuki's low-price SX4 is not to be mistaken as a scantily clad entry class vehicle. In particular, the SX4 is contrary to "bare-bones," as it arrives richly appointed with no extra cost options.

Our touring edition model's smaller size is something we enjoyed on several business trips encountered during our test. Overall, driving is a joy, and if one needs to parallel park, SX4 makes it a cinch, thanks to a 98.4-inch wheel-

base.

The SX4's wide stance and standard 17-inch tires result in a more sophisticated ride with independent strut suspension up front and a live axle torsion beam setup out back. This setup might be a tad on the rough side, but the feeling of safe, higher speed cornering and overall handling is present.

Safety? Included in the base price are front seat mounted side impact air bags, side curtain air bags, and dual stage front air bags for driver and passenger.

Add daytime running lamps, four wheel disc ABS with EBD, tire pressure monitor, and keyless entry, and you've got a great security package. We applaud Suzuki for addressing occupant protection in such a straightforward manner.

Under the hood sits a 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine mated to a five speed manual transmission. It produces 143-horses with 136-pound feet of torque, and thanks to SX4's lightweight design, feels peppy when not fully loaded with passengers and suitcases. Although the SX4 won't break any quarter-mile acceleration records, our tester averaged 28.6 miles per gallon during a 190-mile trip, an excellent number considering some of our driving included city traffic — which drops the average significantly.

Inside, the SX4 is more work oriented than luxury, with analog gauges, aluminum accents, comfortable seating and ease of entry and exit as high points. The back seat is tight if a tall driver has his/her seat in the "full-back" mode and, although listed as a five passenger, we'll

give SX4 the benefit of the doubt if the fifth passenger is a child or the family pet.

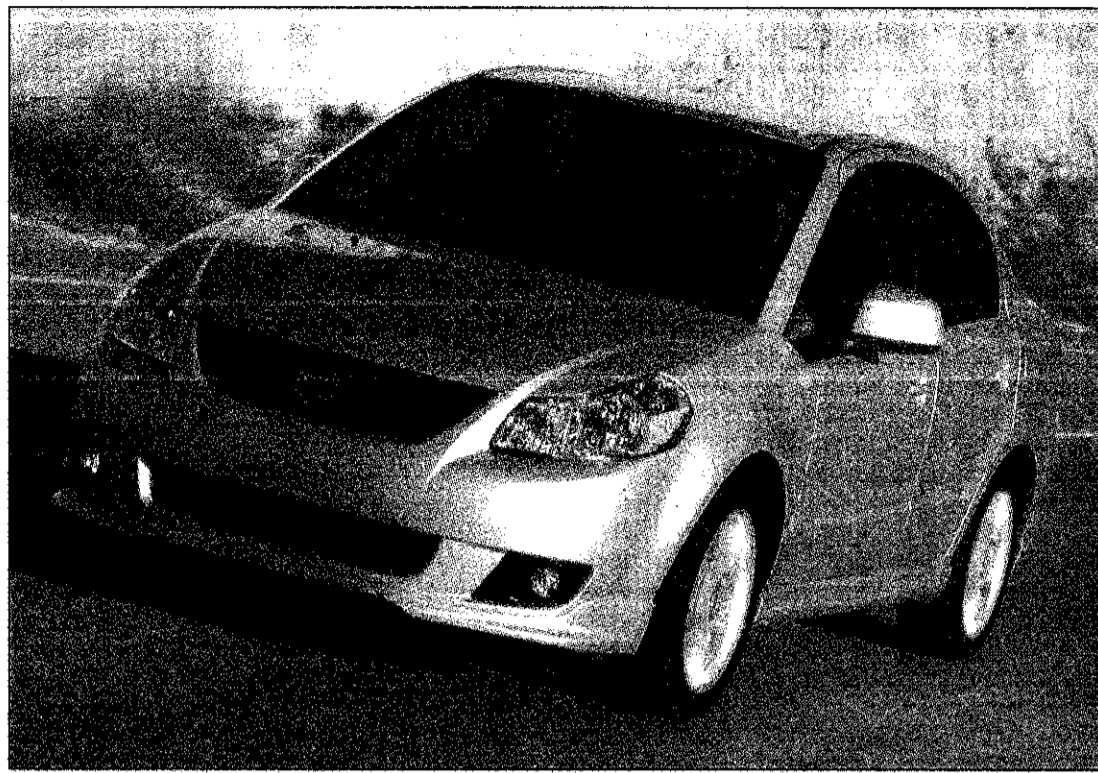
In addition to the aforementioned standard safety items, add a 6-disc, 9-speaker with subwoofer, AM/FM/MP3 stereo, cruise, tilt, power windows-locks-mirrors, heated outside mirrors, rear defogger, fog lamps, alloy wheels, air conditioning, steering wheel audio controls, sport body kit and a rear spoiler. In summary, SX4 is a stylish compact that doesn't offend your weekly gasoline budget.

Important numbers include a surprising 15 cubic feet of trunk space, 2,668-pound curb weight, 13.2-gallon fuel tank, and a 34.8-foot turning circle. All 2008 Suzukis are backed by a 100,000-mile, seven-year fully transferable, zero-deductible, powertrain limited warranty and 24/7/365 roadside assistance.

It's difficult to criticize a car manufacturer that sells a loaded vehicle for just \$16,495 retail. Remember, too, that "retail" isn't the price one actually pays for a car, so check your local dealer for specials and discounts.

In ending, recall the early days of Honda, Datsun — now Nissan — and Toyota, as all struggled for acceptance in car manufacturing. Suzuki could be the next Honda, especially if the cars mirror its motorcycles in reputation and popularity. This fact is now promoted in Suzuki's zesty television and print advertising.

Thus, be it a vehicle for college duty or a new car for the aging Baby Boomer, you'll see more SX4's dotting the nation's highways in the years to come.



2008 Suzuki SX4

Suzuki receives a Test-Drive 9.0 on a scale of one to 10, with 10 being best.

Likes: Price, warranty, looks,

versatility, safety items, standard equipment.

Dislikes: Tight rear quarters unless you bark instead of

speak and when fully loaded, 4-cylinder struggles a bit.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.

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and exterior trim," said Doug Groh, president of 3G services, that is one of many specialty-equipment suppliers offering products for this vehicle.

- ◆ SUV: 2008 Hummer H2. When the H2 was first re-

leased, it was one of the most accessorized vehicles on the road. With a long list of products already available for the 2008 version, the redesigned version is expected to be just as unique. Several distinctive packages make it possible for drivers to modify the vehicle to go off-road or resemble a stretch limo, depending on the driver's personal preference.

- ◆ Hybrid: 2008 Chevy Tahoe.

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pendability, safety and comfort all wrapped up into one. Aftermarket manufacturers have taken notice and developed a long list of products for the newest version.

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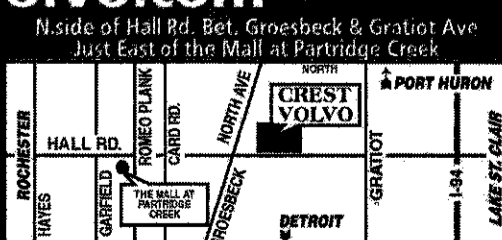
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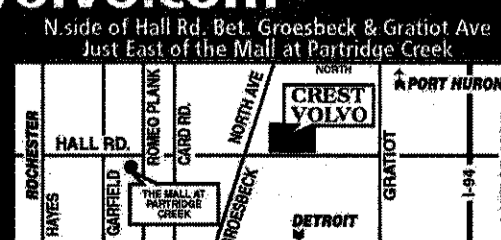
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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Troublesome trio

Three Detroit brothers ages 13, 14 and 16 were caught stealing a package of oranges for sale outside a market on Mack at McMillan.

Police nabbed the trio attempting to escape on bicycles through a nearby alley.

"The juveniles and their bicycles were turned over to their father," said an officer. "The oranges were returned."

—Brad Lindberg

Those with information on these or any crimes should call City of Grosse Pointe public safety at (313) 886-3200.

## Grosse Pointe Farms

### Knocked off

A man wanted in 36th District Court for violating parole for cocaine possession was arrested last week and charged with shoplifting on the Hill.

At 5:53 p.m. Thursday, May 8, a store manager reported the man fleeing eastbound on a bicycle in an alley toward Muir. Officers converged on the neighborhood.

Ordered to stop, the 46-year-old Detroit resident reportedly yelled, "No. What for?"

"(He) stood up on the bicycle pedals and started going faster," said an officer.

The chase ended a short time later in the 400 block of Fisher when a City officer knocked the suspect to the ground. A \$21 bottle of vodka was pulled from an inner pocket of his leather jacket.

Store employees are familiar with the suspect.

"(His) MO is to walk immediately to the liquor aisle, remove a bottle and flee," the manager told police.

### iPOD poachers

Two Grosse Pointe South High School students have been tossed from campus temporarily for stealing a classmate's iPod.

At 2 p.m. Monday, May 6, a 16-year-old City male reported that his iPod had been swiped off a desk by a 16-year-old Park male and passed to a 15-year-old accomplice from the Farms.

Police found an iPod in the Farms suspect's backpack.

"It was the victim's," police said. "The principle suspended them for 10 days."

### Bike found

On the evening of Sunday, May 4, a purple 18-speed Huffy Stone mountain bike was found behind a house in the 300 block of Hillcrest and turned over to police for safe keeping.

—Brad Lindberg

Those with information on these or any crimes should call Grosse Pointe Farms public safety at (313) 885-2100.

## Grosse Pointe Park

### Wallet checked out

Police report a wallet was taken from the library branch on Jefferson between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 7.

### Home invasions

Police are investigating two home invasions.

At approximately 9 p.m. Saturday, May 3, a home on Bedford was entered and a black leather 9 West purse was taken from the kitchen table.

Sometime between Friday, May 9 and Saturday, May 10, a 30" LCD flat screen TV was removed from a home on Maryland that is being renovated.

Police continue to investi-

gate.

### Underage

An 18-year-old City of Grosse Pointe resident was arrested at 11:55 p.m. Saturday, May 10 at Wayburn and Vernor for being in possession of alcohol and marijuana.

—Kathy Ryan

Those with information on these or any other crimes should call Grosse Pointe Park public safety at 882-6200.

## Grosse Pointe Shores

### No leaf unturned

Burning leaves ignited fears of a house fire at Morningside and Hollywood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10.

The incident, in Grosse Pointe Woods, was handled by Shores officers. The resident extinguished the fire.

"(I) advised the resident of the dangers of burning leaves as well as the ordinance, (then) advised Grosse Pointe Woods," said a Shores patrolman.

### Car crash

No injuries were suffered in a traffic crash at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, on Lakeshore at Deeplands.

Police said an 80-year-old Harrison Township woman ex-

iting Deeplands onto northbound Lakeshore hit the passenger side door of a 56-year-old St. Clair Shores woman traveling in the left northbound

lane.

### Roof climber

Shortly before noon

## Lacrosse camp coming in July

Warrior Elite Camps are coming to Parcels Middle School Tuesday, July 15, through Friday, July 18.

The camp is sponsored by the GP Select lacrosse program and is for boys entering grades three through nine.

The camp runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Registration includes a 10-to-1 instructor to camper ratio and a Warriors Elite T-shirt.

The camps are run by the coaches of the MI Warriors Lacrosse Club. Current college and Brother Rice High School varsity lacrosse players are on hand to help with instruction. College players on staff are from elite college programs from Bellarmine, Cabrini, Hofstra, Maryland, Notre Dame, Ohio Wesleyan, Penn State, University of Michigan and University of Massachusetts.

The camps focus on the fun-

damentals and sportsmanship that prepare players for the "next level."

Registration forms and more information can be found at warriorselitelax.com.

The camps are endorsed by Grosse Pointe North varsity boys lacrosse head coach Dan Preston and by GP Select head coach Ken Brubaker. Both coaches will attend the camp.

"We are very fortunate to have Warriors Elite Lacrosse camps travel to the east side this year," Brubaker said. "Not only will our boys be learning from current NCAA college players, it's happening right in our backyard. It has been my life goal to bring better lacrosse to our community."

"I feel confident the camp and level of instruction will be outstanding."

"I strongly recommend and endorse the Warriors Elite Camps."

Thursday, May 8, police determined that a man wearing a ski mask and climbing a ladder to the roof of a house in the 400 block of Lakeshore was a construction worker, not a second story man.

Officers took it away.

—Brad Lindberg

Those with information on these or any crimes should call Grosse Pointe Shores public safety at (313) 881-5500.

## Sweepstakes fraud

A female resident has been conned out of \$4,144 she sent in four payments to a fraudulent Canadian sweepstakes operator.

The suspect is a 47-year-old man connected with Tele System International, according to Shores public safety, Ontario Provincial Police and Toronto police. An OPP detective reportedly suspects the man of defrauding people for a total exceeding \$3 million.

## To the bat pole

A 52-year-old woman living on Lake Shore Lane called police at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday, May 6, to report a "sick bat" laying on her deck.

"(She) stated it was alive but did not wish to remove it herself," police said.

## Grosse Pointe Woods

### Going in circles

At 3 a.m. Wednesday, May 7 Woods police were notified by police from an adjacent city to be on the lookout for a car being driven erratically on Vernier.

A Woods patrol car spotted the car being driven up one side of Mack, then turning and driving south on Mack, repeatedly. When the car was stopped, the driver appeared lost. The driver was wanted on warrants out of Detroit and Allen Park. The car was impounded and the driver arrested.

—Kathy Ryan

Those with information on these or any other crimes should call Grosse Pointe Woods public safety at 343-2400.

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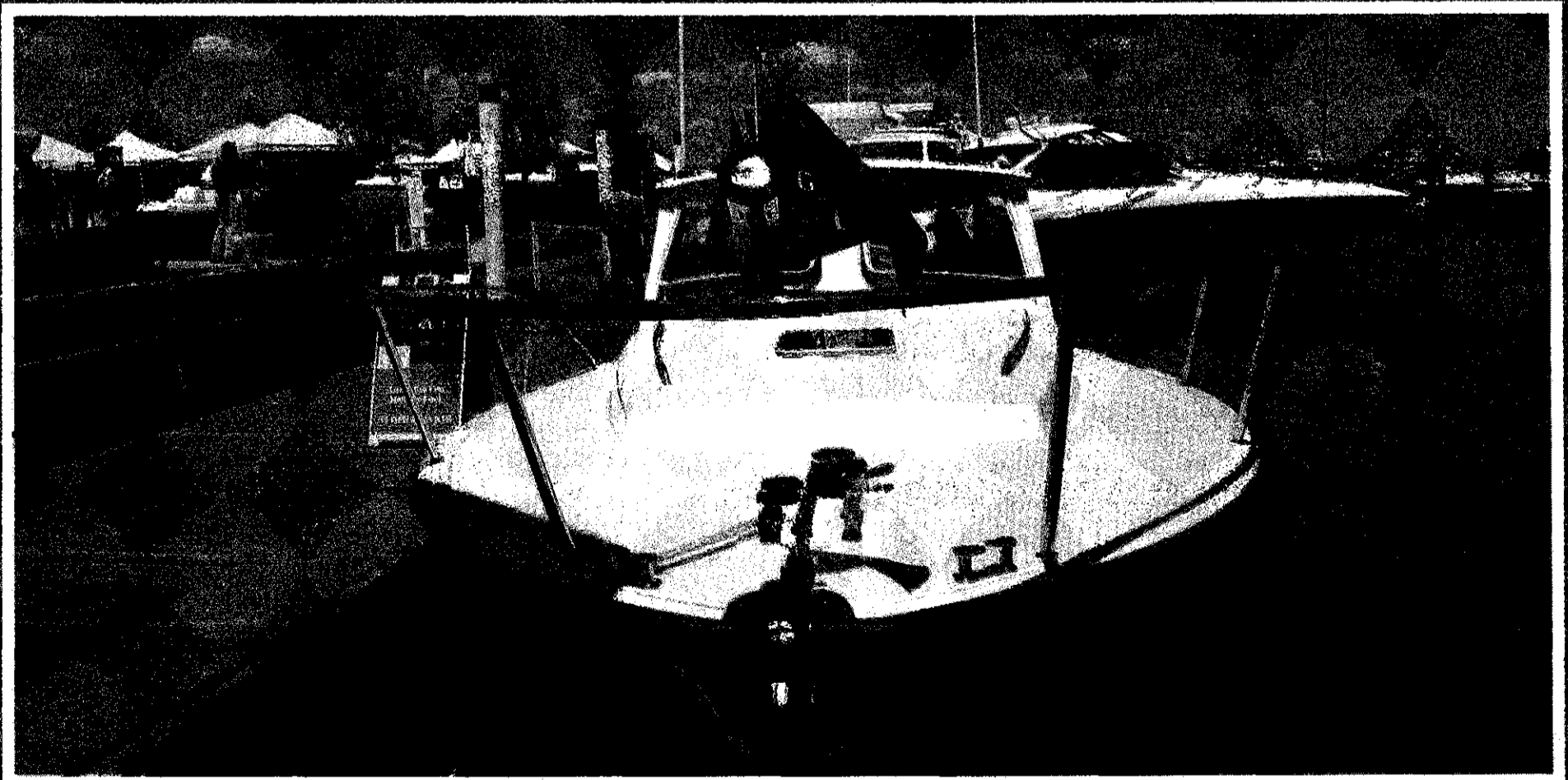
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# NEWS III

**SPECIAL**  
**Mother's Day Letters**  
 Letters from elementary school students to their moms. PAGES 25A-32A

## My mom is special because ...

Editor's note: Due to the overwhelming response, we had to split our Mother's Day tribute and publish more this week.

You are the best. I appreciate how you clean up the house, and buy our family stuff we need. You also come to all of my sports games. You always cook for our family, and your cooking is great.  
 Michael  
 Richard

Whenever I come home from school, you help me with my homework. You help me with math, reading, and social studies. You are really good at math.  
 Thank you for coming to my baseball games and watching me play. Thank you for driving me to my practices. I love you mom.  
 Garrett  
 Richard

You observe me droopy and sorrowful. You ask as would you like to play a game. I reply with a "yes" and we play until the rain ceases. Then we go to the Village and you kindly buy me stuff for my needs. You take me nearly everywhere. You're always there for me.  
 Natalie  
 Richard

I am glad you are my mother. I love you because you plan great vacation trips. I love how you like stuff neat (just like me) around the house. I love it when you help me on my homework. I adore it when you spend time with us. You are such a great mom.  
 Spencer  
 Richard

I love you an enormous amount. The days we get to hang out together are the best. It is awesome when you come to my soccer games. Cooking with you is like cooking with a professional chef. It's fun doing things, but twice as fun doing them with you.  
 Ellie  
 Richard

I love the way you do everything. You encourage me to do things that I'm not so sure about doing. When I'm bored to death, you play games with me. I love you and I always will, just like you always love me.  
 Brendan  
 Richard

You are the greatest mom ever. You make lunch for school each day. You make me healthy meals and buy me tasty snacks and fast food. I like it when you play video games with me. Your almost always right. In my opinion you are the smartest mom in the world. I love you.  
 Ethan  
 Richard

You are terrific mom. I always have fun with you. The lunches you pack me are delicious. You always seem to know what I want. You help

me with all my homework and make sure I get it all done. You are an outstanding mom.  
 Emma  
 Richard

You take tiptop care of me. You enjoy spending time with me. You come to my soccer games. You're awesome at cooking. You make my favorite meals. I relish when you cook steamed baby broccoli. I love cooking with you. You are awesome.  
 Molly  
 Richard

You are the best at doing arts and crafts with me. You are the greatest cook ever, especially your pasta. It is awesome that you help out at school, like at the disability workshop.  
 Lindsay  
 Richard

You are the best mom ever. This year you had breast cancer and we got so scared. You went through chemo therapy like a hero. After chemo, we got prepared for surgery. You were awesome. After the surgery we went to the hospital. We helped you get around and we got you ice chips with Vernors. Then you came home. You are a survivor. Mom, you are the best cook ever. You are awesome. I love you so much.  
 Joc  
 Richard

You are a great mom. You make the best dinners ever. I don't recall the last time you didn't help me with my homework. You're good at cursive too.  
 Jackson  
 Richard

Your so special and I wanted to tell you on Mothers Day. It calms me when you laugh at the contestants on American Idol with me. I love you.  
 Julia  
 Richard

You raised me with all your love, so I grew big and strong. You spend time with me. What a mom.  
 Jacob  
 Richard

You are so nice. You make me feel like sugar and spice, you calm me when I'm mad. I love you mom.  
 Josh  
 Richard

Mom you are amazing. Thank you for taking care of the family and me. You make great dinners. My favorite is buttered noodles. Mom you have the most beautiful smiles and pretty eyes. You make me smile right back. I love going shopping with you.  
 Hanna  
 Richard

You are the best mom in the whole universe. You are so



good at drawing and painting. I appreciate all you do for me. You drive me to all of my sports and watch all of them. You take care of the whole family.  
 Griffin  
 Richard

Your fabulous. Your eyes sparkle like the stars in the night sun. I depend on you. You make me feel safe and happy.  
 Claire  
 Richard

I love you so much. I love when you trust me to ride my bike to practice. I am so glad I am your son. Have a great Mothers Day.  
 Patrick  
 Richard

I love that you took care of me. I love you so much because you cook for me. I love that your eyes are brown. Your eyes sparkle like the stars. When I am sick you laid with me until I got better. I love you.  
 Kameron  
 Richard

You are awesome. I love the way that you help me with my homework. You make it a lot easier to understand. I love the way you take care of the family but most importantly me. You are the best artist in the whole world. You can draw everything. You are the best Mom that I could ever have.  
 Ashley  
 Richard

You're terrific at golf, tennis, and cooking. I treasure the things you do for me. I enjoy when we shop together, cuddle and make crafts. Your wonderful at planning the family vacations.  
 Elena  
 Richard

You are special because you have a kind and tender loving heart. When I'm sad you come over to me and hold me tight until I'm happy again. You always try to make me happy

Starbuck's with me. I love you and you love me. That's why you are special. Happy Mother's Day!  
 Abigail  
 St. Clare

You are special to me because you are so nice to others and me. You have a sparkle that makes everyone smile. You bring joy to dad's life and mine. You are giving and loving. Every time I am with you, I feel like I can fly. When I am sick you take care of me and make me feel better just with a hug and a kiss from you. When I fall you are there with your loving arms to take away the pain. You make me laugh just with one word. You are beautiful inside and out. You are proud of yourself and you

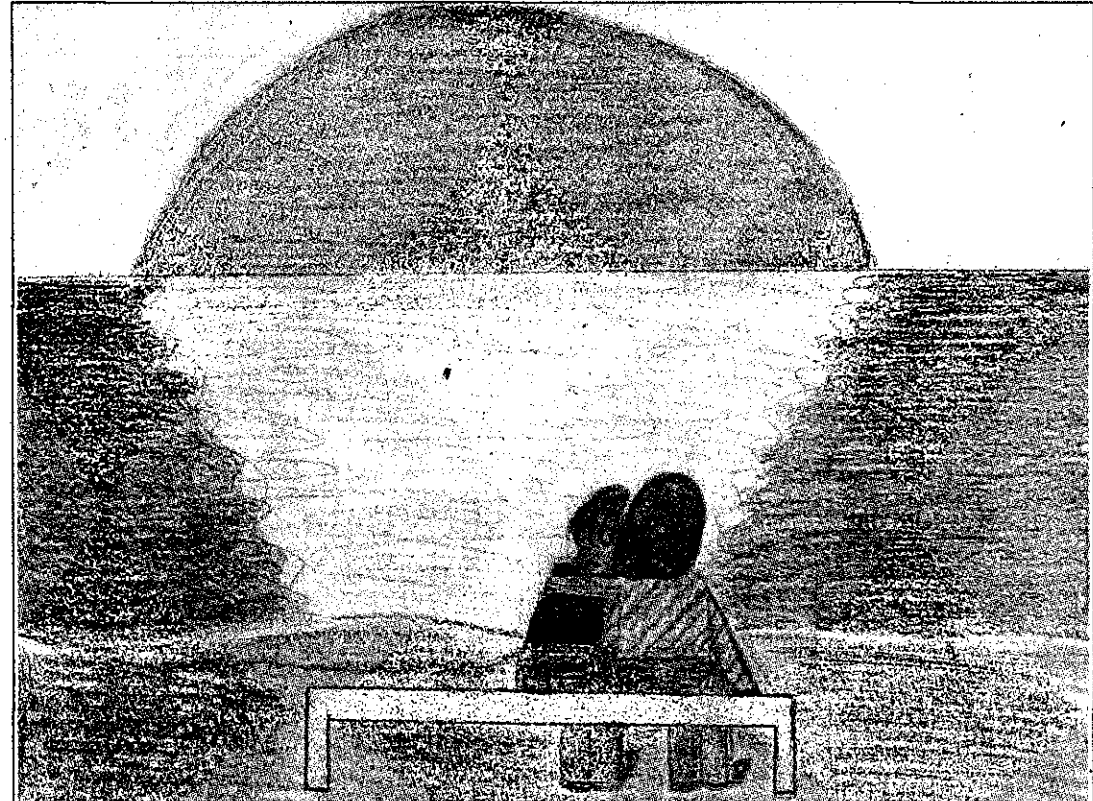
You're special because you're a one in a million mom. You are cool and fun to go places with and hang out with. We also get along very well. I love you very much. You were smart to buy those good cats. You're the best mom in the world! You and me get along very well, we both like cats you are so funny. You are a loveable mom and you are pretty and very nice to every one. I think you are an awesome mom. I love you because you buy my sister and me Webkinz. I love you because of that. You help me with all my projects and you come to mostly all my field trips. You're the bomb! Also you make delicious dinners. Happy Mother's Day!  
 Bitty



show it. You strut your stuff everyday. In my eyes you are a beauty queen every single day. Happy Mother's Day!  
 Alana  
 St. Clare

I think you are special because you always know what

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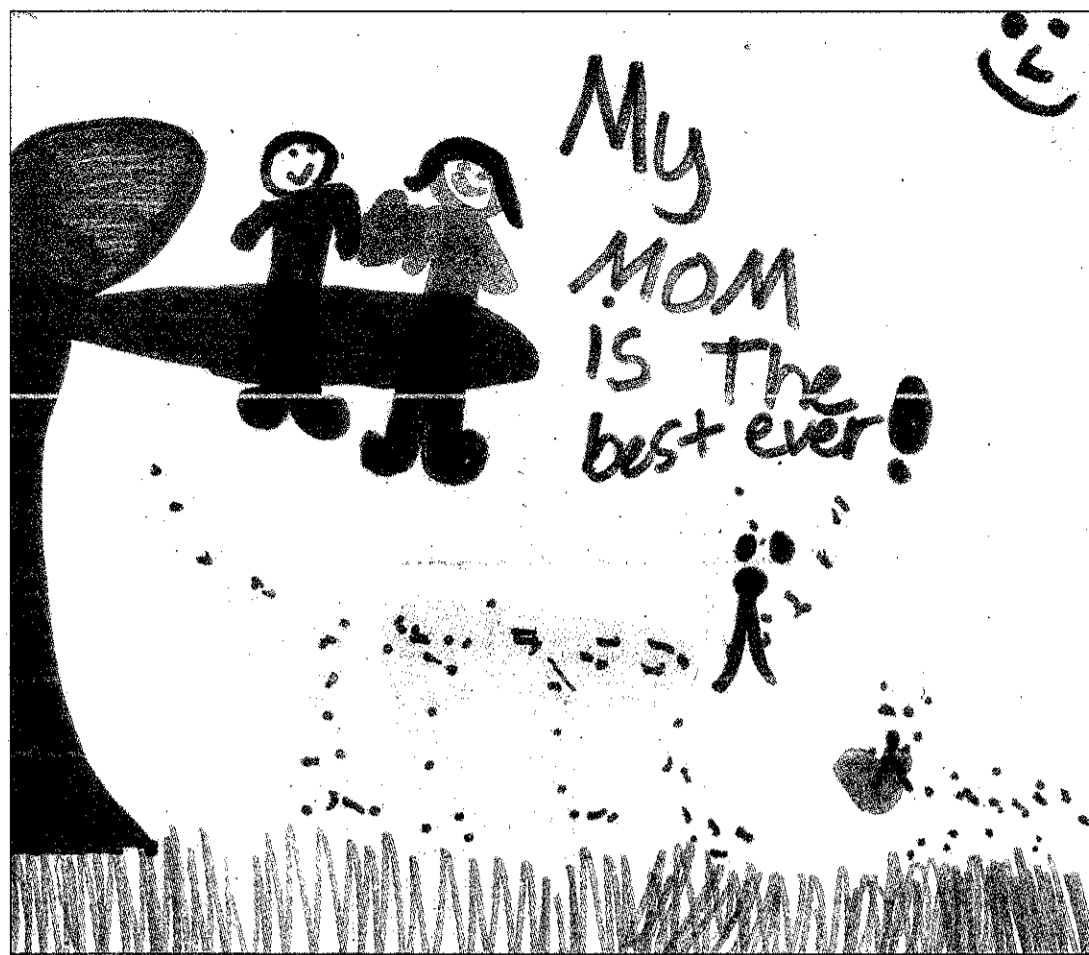
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to do when I do not know what to do. You always help me when I need help. You are always there for me. You always cook what I want. You always put the food I like in my lunch. You take me on trips.  
Brandon  
St. Clare

You are special because you love and care for me and because when I am scared or lonely you are there for me. You are also extra special because when I am sad or sick you can always cheer me up by giving me a big hug! You are very funny and can always make me laugh. It is very fun to spend time with you because we always have a blast! When I feel sad or lonely I can always snuggle with you. No matter what we do together we always have fun! You are a very special mom! You are the best mom in the world! You are the best mom anyone would want! Thank-you.  
Isabel  
St. Clare

I think that you're special because you love me so much and you always help me with things. You always believe in me and you never say that I can't do something. I also think that you're special because you are polite and you don't care how people look or speak. You always love them the same. You are always willing to forgive people, like if you're mad at someone you still love them. You always understand how I feel and comfort me. You usual get me things that I ask for, but you always keep me from getting spoiled. You make delicious food for me, and drive me to places I need to be. You always do your best at raising me. Thank you for being the most special mom ever.  
Joshua  
St. Clare



grandma and grandpa. You are the best nurse ever! You make blankets for the auction and for graduation or birthday gifts. You play sports with me. You volunteer at my school. You do all these things and still do most of the housework. You are good at gardening. You are most special because you are you! Happy Mother's Day!  
Julia  
St. Clare

You are very nice and kind. You help me when I need you. You also care for me and love me for who I am. I love you because you are very kind and generous. I like to spend time with you doing fun activities, such as bowling, kite flying, and bike riding. You are very nice, and caring. I am so happy you are my mom! You are the best mom in the world. You are

But that is not all you do, you buy me clothes, you take care of me, and my brothers, and you teach me to do what is right, and to correct my mistakes. You help with things like P.T.O. where you do the snowball, you feed the homeless, you help me with my homework and you even check it so I can get an A. You help me with all of my projects. You put a lot of work into helping me with my science fair project. You are very smart. All of this makes me know that you are special!  
Kendall  
St. Clare

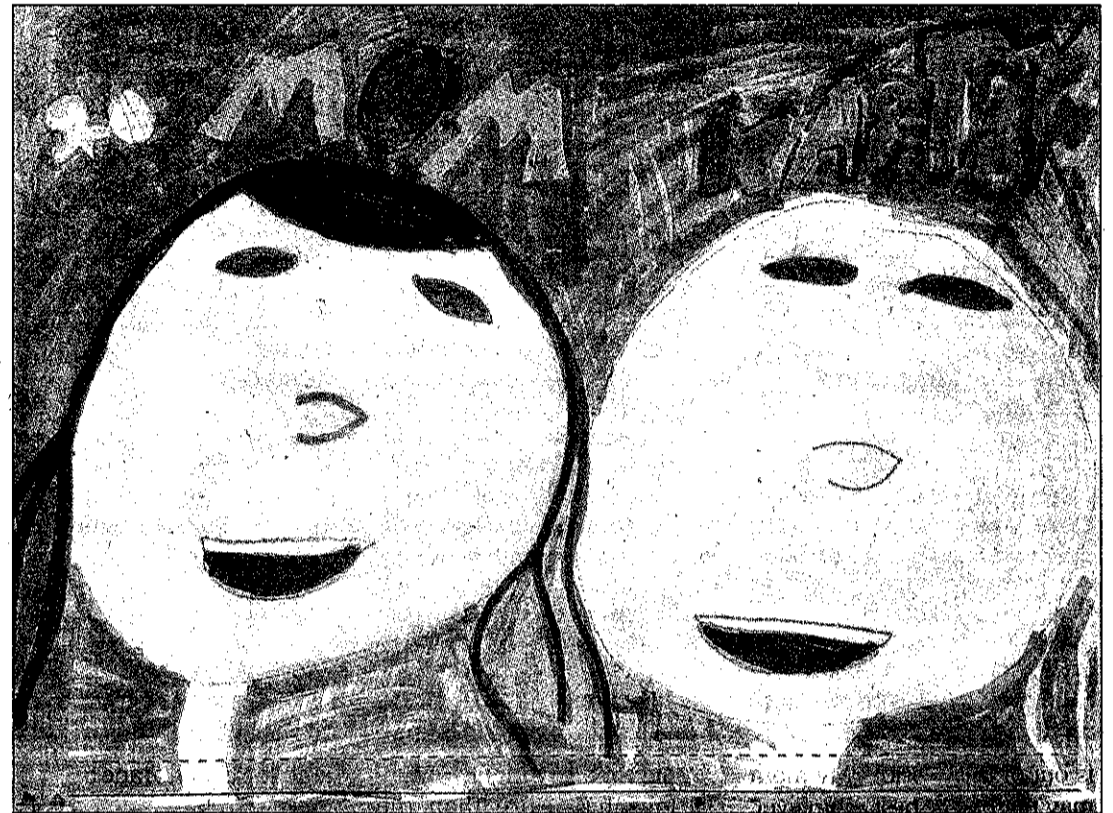
You are very special to me because you make all my meals. You help me with my homework when I need help. You always make me laugh if I'm sad, mad, or happy. You pay money for me to go to school and play sports. You keep my hopes up every day. You do a lot of stuff for me. You plan our vacations every year. You and I plant a vegetable garden and flowers. We clean the house together. You are a Girl Scout leader because you want to spend time with me. You do a lot of stuff to make me happy. You look over me and I love you! You make my life a lot better.  
Lauren  
St. Clare

I think you're special because whenever I need you, you're always there for me and you're really talented at a lot of stuff. You're great at sewing, cooking, cleaning and being the world's best mom. You are the world's prettiest mom. You help me when I'm sick and you help me shop for clothes. You drive me places and help me with my homework. You teach me how to be a good person. You also are really good at doing yard work and gardening. You usually do most of the cooking, cleaning and other housework. You are really great at taking care of my family and me and for making sure that I get a good education. You are also really good at being my mom and for loving me. Happy Mother's Day!  
Maddy  
St. Clare

You are special to me because you take care of me. You feed me and you give me a home to live in. You help me with my homework and you take me to school. You buy me clothes, toys and games to play with my sister. You take me to the library to get books to read and you help me on my projects. You take me anywhere I need to go! You also help me when I need help. You stay home with me and you see that I go to a good school. Thank you for being you! Happy Mother's Day!  
Maria  
St. Clare

I think you are special because you are playful. I love you because you are letting me go to St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School. Thank you for letting me help you cook. You are a nice parent. Thank you for checking my homework to see if I have any mistakes. I like that you encouraged me to reach my goals this year. I like that you take me to your meet-

ings. I like that you take me to my favorite places. I like going



to the park when I'm done with homework. When I have a question you always answer it. You deserve something special this Mother's Day. Thank You! I love you!  
Morgan  
St. Clare

I like how when I do something you don't like, you don't always yell. I also like how when I am sick (like last Sunday) how you take care of me. You also go on field trips with my class, and drive my sister and I up north, to Traverse City. You are also special for making my lunch for me. Thank you for taking care of me,  
Patrick  
St. Clare

I think you are special because you are my mom and you love me very much. I think you are also special because you are nice to people, even if you have just met them. You are also special because you make a lot of sacrifices for me. I think you are also special because you care about my brother and I. You are also special because you are very loving. You are also special because you are willing to go places for me. Also, you are very active. You play tennis, you swim in our pool, and you ride bikes with me. You are al-

so special because you make very good food. You are also special because you help me with my school projects and homework. You are also very funny. You are also special because you take me to my baseball games.  
Robert  
St. Clare

You are special because you are really nice to me and you are always there for me. You are by me when I am sick, you buy me food to eat, and you care for me. You pay for me to go to St. Clare School and you let me play baseball, basketball, and football. You buy me the things I need, and some things that I want that are very special to me. You helped me with my science fair project. You take me to my sports games. You are the best lady in the world to me!  
Rory  
St. Clare

You are special because you take care of me in a special way and love me in a special way. There is no mother like you; not in your cooking, your smile, or the way you talk. You

ful around the house. And are great at finding things all the time that I need. You cook food for me and you play games that are fun. I think that every kid would love to have you as a mom. You make the best Sloppy Joes ever! You helped me with my science fair project. Thank you for being my mother.  
Matthew  
St. Clare

I love my Mom so much. She takes care of me a lot. We like to go out together to stores. She plays volleyball at Brownell. She love's music. We love playing Mario Kart together. She is proud of me when I behave in church. I behaved in church by standing up when I am supposed to stand up and sit down when I am supposed to sit down. At stores she's proud of because I understand the crying of babies and little kids. She is proud of me when I play with friends and at school because I follow the rules and play nice. She is so nice to me and my family and to everyone else. I love my Mom.  
Stephen Markus  
Monteith Elementary

are also special because you work in a special way. You are also an honest person; like when I found a purse instead of saying lets keep it and you told me to give it back. You told me it was not the right thing to do and that was keeping the bag. Some other things about how you are special is that you help me with my homework. Also I never said thanks for helping me with my Science Fair Project, well I did but I would like to say it again.  
Shelby  
St. Clare

You are special because you pick me from school and you cook me food and help me with my homework. You stayed with me at the zoo and let me feed a giraffe. You buy me clothes and wash them too! You took me to the flower shop to go to the Webkinz Extravaganza. You are funny and make me laugh. You let me watch T.V. in my bed. You let me listen to my music in the car. You fix things really well and you take care of me when I am sick. You make me feel better when I am sad. You are special to me for many more reasons but these are just a few.  
Sofia  
St. Clare

You are my mom and I love you. You are nice. You are help-

You are special because you spend a lot of money and attention on me. You're the only mom I have. You gave birth to me 8 1/2 years ago. You teach me new stuff everyday and still do. You love me and I love you. You are the most important person in the whole entire world. You educate me, you buy things for me, and the most important thing is you care for me.  
Gabriel Rogers

My mother is special because she loves me, and she does a lot of things for me. My mom is very nice. She can always help me out if there is a problem. I really love my mom. I hope she has a wonderful Mother's Day. My mom is the best mom in the whole world. She helps me with my homework a lot. She also does the laundry and the dishes. So, she needs a good Mother's Day.  
Sincerely,  
Craig  
St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 5

My mom is special My mom is neat My mom is cool She can't be beat. I've got a dad His name is Ron

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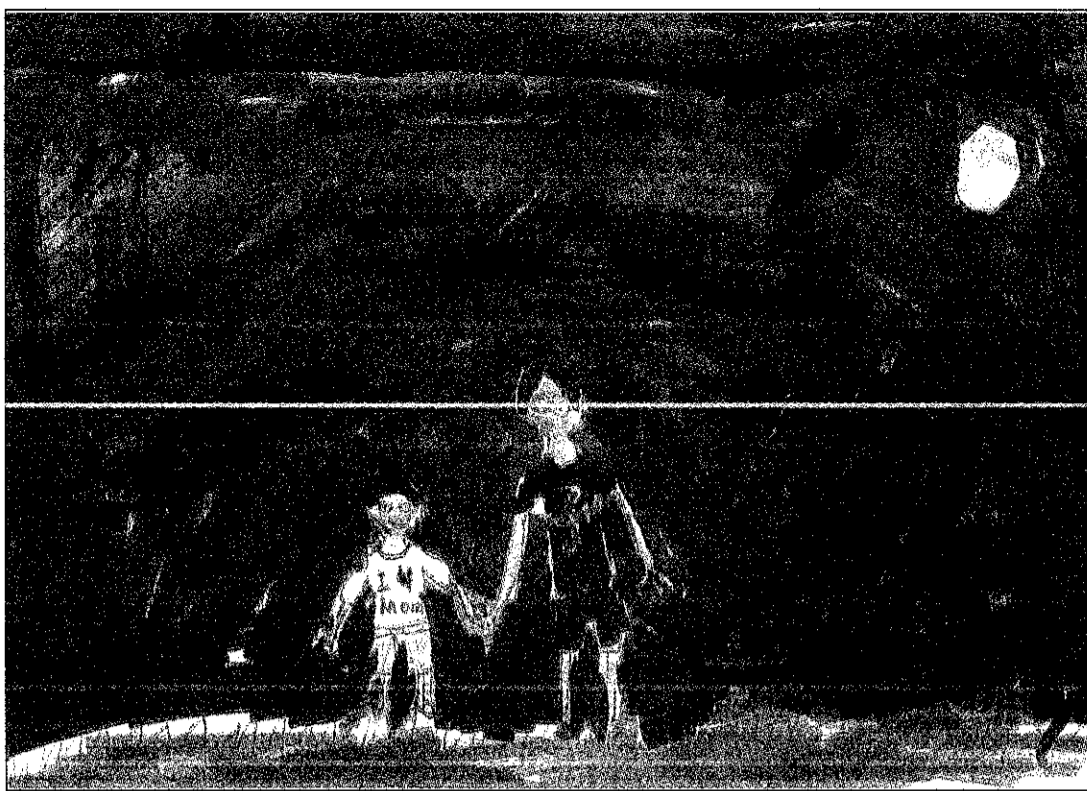
My sister's name is Nicole  
And I am the son.  
I hope you enjoy it, okay  
Happy Mother's Day!  
Anthony  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

I think my mom is special  
because she takes care of me  
when I am sick. My mom al-  
ways protects me. My mother  
also makes me take showers  
and put on clean clothes every-  
day. My mom makes me feel  
special and loved. My mom  
goes to work to put food on the  
table. My mother is very spe-  
cial to me. She also has plenty  
of friends.

Austin  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

I love my mom  
She is sweet  
My mom is cool  
She never cheats  
She is never last  
We have a blast  
My mom is smart  
She has a heart  
This is my mom  
This is true  
This is my mom  
I LOVE YOU!  
Love,  
Nneka  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor  
I think my mother is super  
special because every morn-  
ing, she makes sure we wake  
up, and she makes breakfast.  
She packs everyone's lunch  
(even my dad's!), drives us to  
school and makes sure we get  
a good education. Then, she  
drives all the way to Detroit for  
work. When we are bored, she  
gives us fun activities to do. On  
top of all this, she finds the  
time to hang out and watch  
movies. Recently, our grandpa,  
and her dad, died from a heart  
attack. We are all still grieving  
for him. But my mom, the sad-  
dest of all, finds the strength to  
help us pull through. My mom  
is out of this world! My mom  
may not be the best mom ever,  
but she's my mother. And, in  
our family, that's all that mat-  
ters.  
Sincerely,



And, she always supports me  
and congratulates me even  
when I don't win. She's my  
mom, and I love her.  
Sheldon  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special to me be-  
cause she cares and loves me. I  
honor her with my love. With-  
out my mom, I wouldn't  
be alive. My mom is the best  
mom in the whole wide  
world. She makes me very,  
very, very delicious lunches for  
school.  
Angel  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special in many  
ways,  
When she helps me every  
day.  
She feeds me to help me  
grow strong,  
She tells me things to help  
me live long.  
She teaches me things,  
She taught me to sing.  
She hugs me when I have a  
fright or  
A nightmare at night.  
I love her more than the  
earth  
And she's loved me since my  
birth.  
Francesca

treats me like a good child. She  
loves to do special mother and  
daughter things together. I love  
my mom. That's why she is  
special.  
Amina

the mall and shopping all day  
long. Afterwards, we had lunch  
and a nice talk. We have some  
things in common. We both  
like to shop and garden. We al-  
so both love tulips and the col-

says, "Hello, how was school?"  
I answer, "Great!" And that  
word describes my mom the  
best. Also, if you flip the word  
'mom' upside down, it spells  
'wow.' Wow, what a great  
mom!

Charlie  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she always comforts me and  
always cheers for me. She is so  
nice to me. I love my mom, and  
she loves me. Whenever I do  
something and I do it wrong,  
she always says, "Just keep try-  
ing, and you'll get it." My  
mom is also special because  
she is my mom and nobody  
else's. If it wasn't for her, I  
wouldn't be alive. She is so un-  
derstanding about me, even if  
it's kind of weird. She may yell  
sometimes, but I still love her.  
She's the best mom ever. This  
is why I think my mom is spe-  
cial.

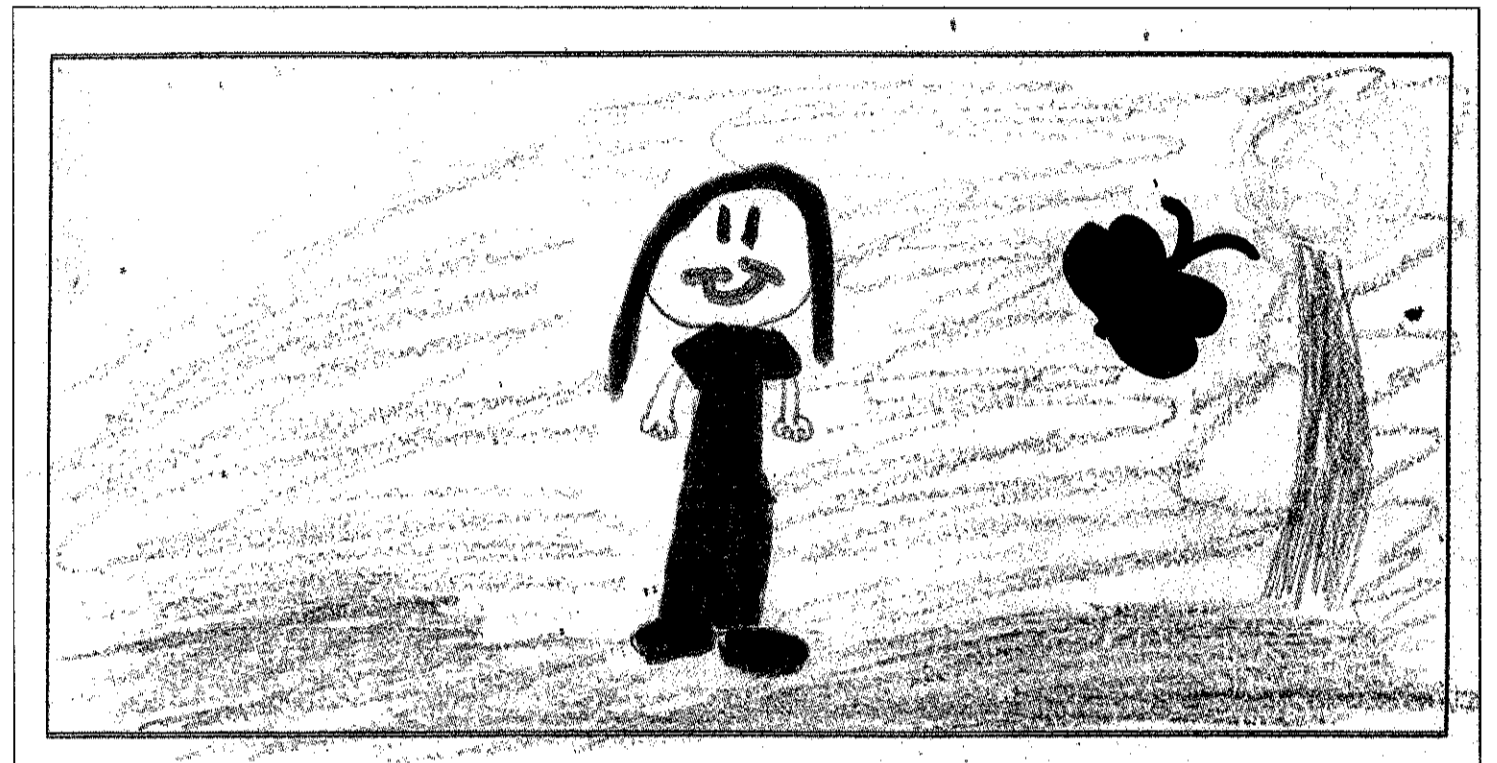
Meaghan  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she always cares for me. When  
I am sick, or just sad, she com-  
forts me. She is special be-  
cause there is no other mom  
that could replace my mom.  
She is the best mom ever. She  
does everything she can for  
me. She is an angel from Heav-  
en. She is a true gift. She is  
my favorite gift of all the gifts  
I have. I don't know what I  
would do without her. She is  
very special.

Jack Ryan  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she is always trying to make  
our lives better. My mom is  
very sweet. My mom is very  
neat. My mom is always there  
for me. She never leaves my  
side. My mom is very unique  
and is never predictable. She  
makes me feel important when  
other people don't. There is  
something about my mom that  
no one knows - she makes the



St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she buys me things that I need,  
like clothes and food. She also

or red. I love my mother now  
and forever.  
Maya  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she buys me things that I need,  
like clothes and food. She also

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she cares. She cares about peo-  
ple that she does not even  
know. My mom cares so much  
that she will help anyone with  
anything. She might not like  
the person, but she cares about  
them. I know my mom cares  
about me because she feeds  
me every night. I love my  
mom, and she loves me. I love  
my mom because without her, I  
wouldn't be writing this letter.  
If you asked for help, she  
would see what she could do. I  
LOVE MY MOM!

Fred  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is loving because  
she is like a friend and a moth-  
er. She is sometimes like super-  
mom. She is so kind, loving,  
and funny. She gets me all of  
the coolest clothes and shoes. I  
love her so much. We laugh  
and joke like buddies. She is so  
special to me.

She exercises with me and  
plays with me. We watch  
movies and eat popcorn at  
night. I am so glad she is my  
mom. I am so glad she is mine!  
Erica  
St. Clare of Montefalco

best chitlens. That's my very  
special mom.

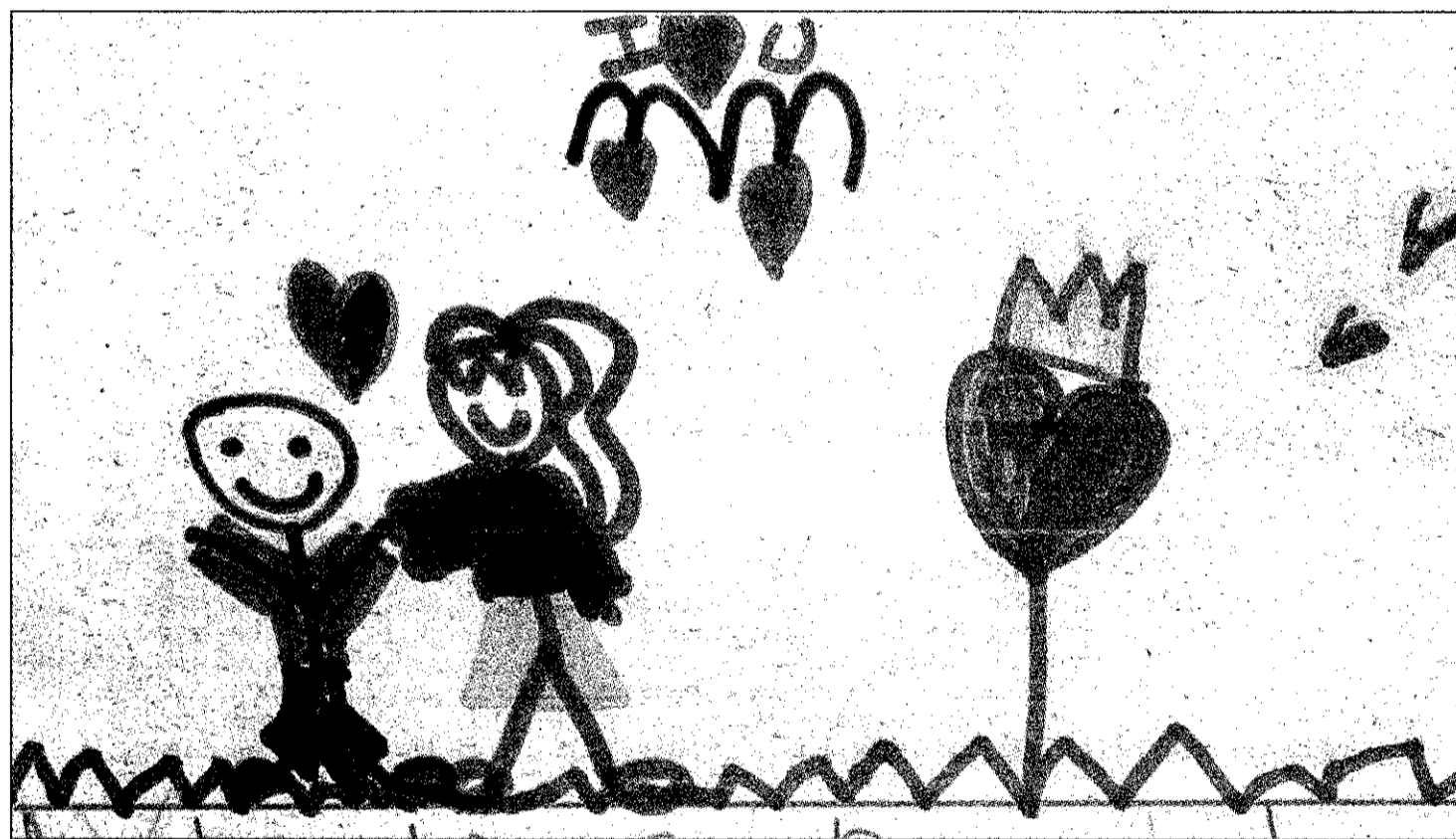
Kennedy  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Mom,  
Of course you know I love  
you, but I am here to say  
Happy Mother's Day.

I thank you for helping me  
was the dishes. Thanks for  
making me clean my room.  
Thank you for buying me pizza  
almost everyday. When you are  
sick, I will always take care of  
you like you do with me. You're  
always there to listen and help  
me. I love you mom. Thank  
you for taking care of me and  
doing things I need you to  
everyday. I love you along with  
Shaune, Edgar, and "Ed the  
Cherry." Happy Mother's  
Day!

Love,  
Arjanah  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 6

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
There are no other moms  
above  
We have unquestionable  
love.



Joshua  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
of her many talents and the  
way she loves me.

She always cares; she's al-  
ways there.

She's awesome at volleyball,  
which she teaches all.

She helps when she can. Her  
food is fresh and tasty from the  
pan.

She's smart, she's nice, she  
buys me food at the mart, she  
even prevents me from getting  
lice!

My mom is special to me.  
This poem will surely make  
her see. Mom, I LOVE YOU!

Most Sincerely,  
Shanleigh  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
I love my mom because she  
is nice. She cares for me and  
takes me places. She buys me  
stuff when I need it. She makes  
me laugh. She is always nice to  
me. She is there when I need  
her. She is really, really kind.

St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is the best mom in  
the whole world. She  
loves me and cares for me. She  
cooks and cleans, and she  
helps me when I go over there.  
If it was not for my mother, I  
would not be here.

DelJuan  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
I love my mom because...she  
drives me to practice and  
games. She helps with home-  
work and projects, and I love  
her. My mom cares for me and  
loves me. She makes me lunch  
and dinner. She plays games  
with me - like basketball. She  
is always trying to make a bet-  
ter life for me. She works hard  
at everything she does.

Marques  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

My mom is special because  
she adores to take care of me.  
And, she loves me a lot. She

makes dinner for my brother  
and me. My mom pays for my  
education and health. She pays  
for my education so that I can  
go to a good school and live a  
happy life. She pays for my  
health so that I can be healthy  
for school and so that I don't  
make anyone sick. My mom is  
special because every  
Christmas and Thanksgiving  
she makes food to take to my  
aunt's house where we always  
have Christmas and  
Thanksgiving.

Love,  
Gabrielle  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
My mom is special because  
she helps me with my home-  
work and projects. She is like a  
best friend that I can tell all of  
my secrets to, and she will never  
tell anyone. She guides me  
in school and through personal  
things. Whenever my clothes  
rip or tear, she fixes them. My  
mother also takes interest in  
my talents and helps me ac-  
complish them.

One of my favorite memo-  
ries with my mother is going to

My mom is the best because  
she always knows how to have  
fun, and she always goes shop-  
ping so she can find me some-  
thing to wear. I love my mom  
because she cares for me and  
is so kind to me. I wouldn't  
change or trade my mom for  
anything. My mom and I went  
to Myrtle Beach, and she spent  
almost all her money so I could  
eat anything I wanted. She  
bought me toys after that when  
we went shopping. One day  
last year, my mother, Taliah,  
and I went to Wendy's so we  
could have a picnic at the park.  
Mom was so kind to do that.  
She said, "If we all finish, we  
can all go and play on the  
playscapes."

My mom is something else,  
isn't she? I love me mom with  
all my soul.

Tamira  
St. Clare of Montefalco  
Catholic School, grade 5

Dear Editor,  
I appreciate that my mom  
drives me to hockey practice.  
She laughs and cries with me.  
Every time I walk by her, she  
stops and smiles with love.  
Everyday after school, she

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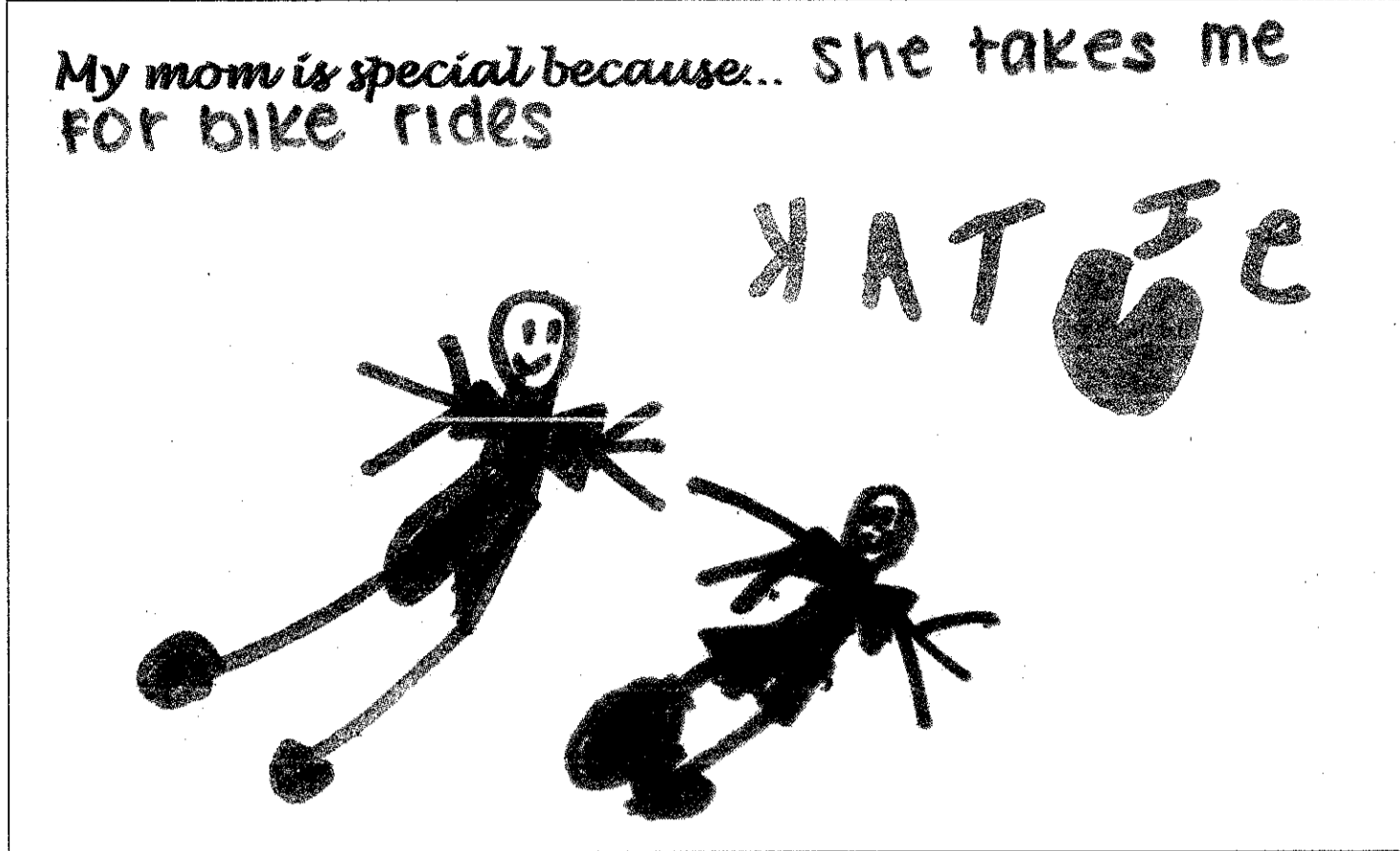
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My mom is special because She cares for me every day She watches after me in every way She always knows what to say. This is why we celebrate her in the month of May. My mom is special because She tells me what to do because she cares for me Obviously, she loves me so dearly My mom is special because She prepares her food with love And she keeps me healthy It doesn't matter if we are wealthy. This is why we celebrate Our mothers on the 11th of May. Myra St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

have to get my mom coffee in the morning before doing anything, no matter what. And, while we are at the coffee store, we sit and talk and talk; and, my mom always listens. HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY, MOM! Addison St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

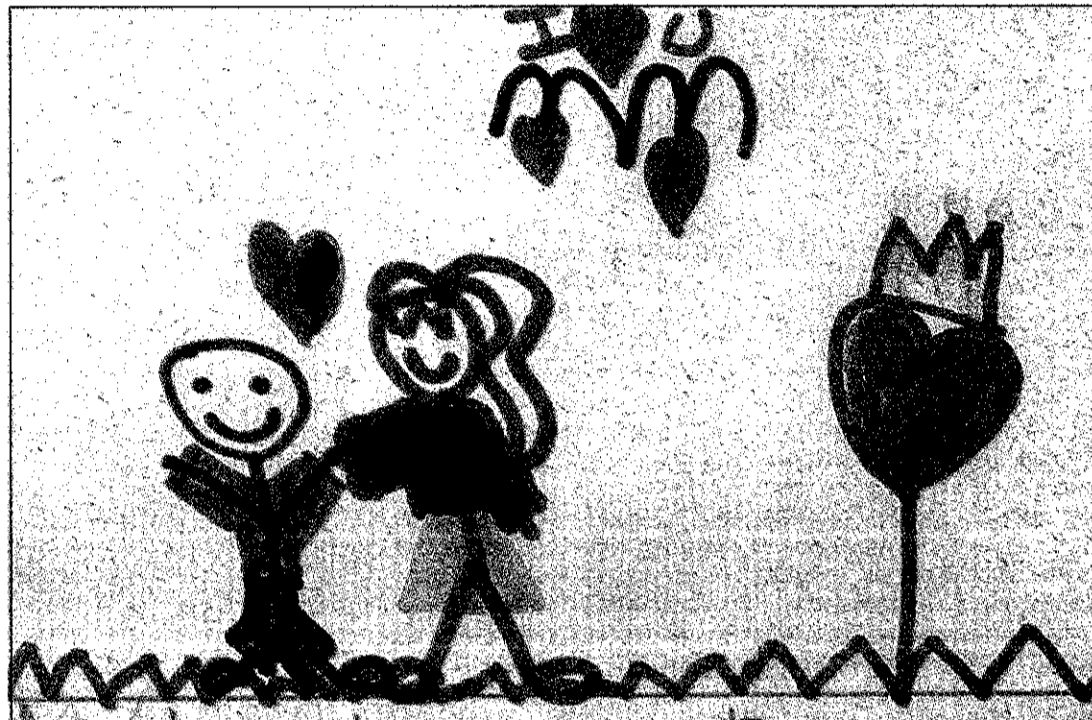
Mommy rocks Open-hearted Totally awesome Happy Mother's Day Everyday you love me Radiates beauty Sadness escapes me. Dad rocks, too Adrienne Yay, Mom! Maya St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6



My mom is awesome because she helps me. She loves me. She is so kind. She tucks me in at night. She loves me all the time. She cooks me dinner. She gives me what I want. She cares about me. My mother rocks. She is nice, and she loves me more than anything in the world. Victoria St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

My mom is great because she grew up with four siblings and has four sons and a husband. You can tell she has a lot of patience. Her name is Michelle, and she is the most wonderful person on Earth. I love her with all my heart. Matthew St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

it because she loves us not because she has to. My mom is always in a good mood, except for when she is in a bad mood. I love my mom so much. She is really cool because when my dad does something weird like buying a tortoise or deciding to go to India, she just smiles and thinks he is joking (when he usually isn't) and accepts that he might actually do what he said he would. She really cares about my family and always worries about us, which is sometimes good and sometimes bad. She does typical mom stuff like making us have an apple instead of ice cream or having us put on sunscreen and bug spray. I love my mom, as you can obviously see. To Mom: XOXO Erin St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6



My mom is special because of all the things she does for me, no matter what. Even if she has to work really late, she still comes home to make my lunch and make sure I have my uniform for tomorrow. Then, the next morning, she is there to wake me up before she goes to work. When she is not at work, she makes us a delicious dinner. We eat at the table together and talk about our day. She always listens to what I have to say, even if she doesn't agree with me or thinks what I am talking about is boring. Then, she helps me with my

My mom is the best at singing, writing proposals for work, helping me through hard and frustrating moments, being hospitable, giving hugs, telling me to go to bed, talking on the phone, getting friends, doing her hair, making a good impression, shopping, taking me place, and being a loving person. Her characteristics are loving, special, beautiful, nice, caring, wonderful, smart, helpful, one-of-a-kind, awesome, and everything good. She is special because she's my mom and I love her. Patrick St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

My Mom is the best Mom in the world because...

whole world. I love you, Mom!

Marvelous Outstanding Momfastic Michael St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

She teaches students and adults She never compromises her beliefs She never quits if she doesn't have to She once pinned a guy for abusing his wife and kids (who were her students) Her view on animal abusers is "If the dog doesn't bite you, I will."

My mom has a great sense of fashion My clothes look very nice That's why I have a passion for fashion Man, are my clothes nice! If there was anything in the world I would rather be... It would be caring Like my sweet Mommy. Jewel St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Dear Mom,

I love you more than anybody in the world (you and dad) because you're AWESOME! You're always there for me. You somehow always find time for me in your very busy day. You always give me teddy bear hugs. You can always drive me where I need to be. I love you food - it always makes me want to have more. There are many more things, but here is something to wrap it all up - I LOVE YOU!

Zach St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

My mom is the best She is better than all the rest. I love her so much. She is so special to me. She makes very good food and is not at all rude. Mom, you are so nice, You are filled with sugar and spice and everything nice. When I am sick You stay home with me You love and care for me. Mom, you make me laugh, You make me smile and you also have great style. You take me everywhere I go Even through the wind, rain and snow. Whenever I cry, You are by my side. Mom, you are so much fun, Thanks for everything you've done. I love you so much You are such great help to me. Thanks for always being there for me. Christina St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Maddy St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Dear Editor,

My mom has been the best she can be, and I am proud of her. She helps me, cares for me, and loves me. When she gets angry, she still loves me. She is kind, sweet, and the most awesome mom ever!

Alexis St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Mother is Mine Makes me laugh and have fun Overly great and courageous To mom, my only one, Heroic and the bravest Encouraging and forgiving Resourceful and strong

I love my mom, and I want her to be happy for the rest of her life. Mom, I love you! Thank you for your love and care.

I love you, mom! Brooke St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

I Love My Mom Because She is Caring My mom is caring As caring as caring can be Not only does she care for others, She cares for kids besides me. I know she loves me over all She always tells me so But she cares for almost everyone No matter where she goes. My mom is a good cook, too She cooks very healthy The food is so rich in love I could say that I am wealthy.

Dear Editor, I love my mom because no matter what I do, I know she loves me, too. If I were to blow-up the car, burn down the house, or dye our white dog purple, she would still love me. Candice St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

In my heart always She is always right, never wrong

My mom is special because she adopted me so I could live a long wonderful life. She loves me so much that I know she will always be there for me. She may embarrass me by singing songs in front of my friends, calling me names like cupcake, clare-bear, sweetie-pie, and angel. But, I still love her. She helps me be the best I can by helping me study and do homework so I'll always get an "A". Even if I don't, I know she always loves me. If we get into fights, we always end up working it out. I love my mom so much, and I hope she knows I will forever and ever until the end of time. I LOVE YOU, MOM! Clare St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Dear Editor, My mom is special because she always loves me. She always care for me even though she gets mad. And, she comforts me when I'm sad! Mom, I love you! Chris St Clare of Montefalco Catholic School, grade 6

Dear Editor, I think my mom is special because: She always tries to help others

Dear Editor, My mom is special because she cares for me. She helps me



homework, and we eat ice cream together. Over the weekend, she does the laundry and makes sure we have all the clothes we need for the week. Every Sunday morning, after church, we go to the coffee store. She gets coffee and I get something to eat. We always

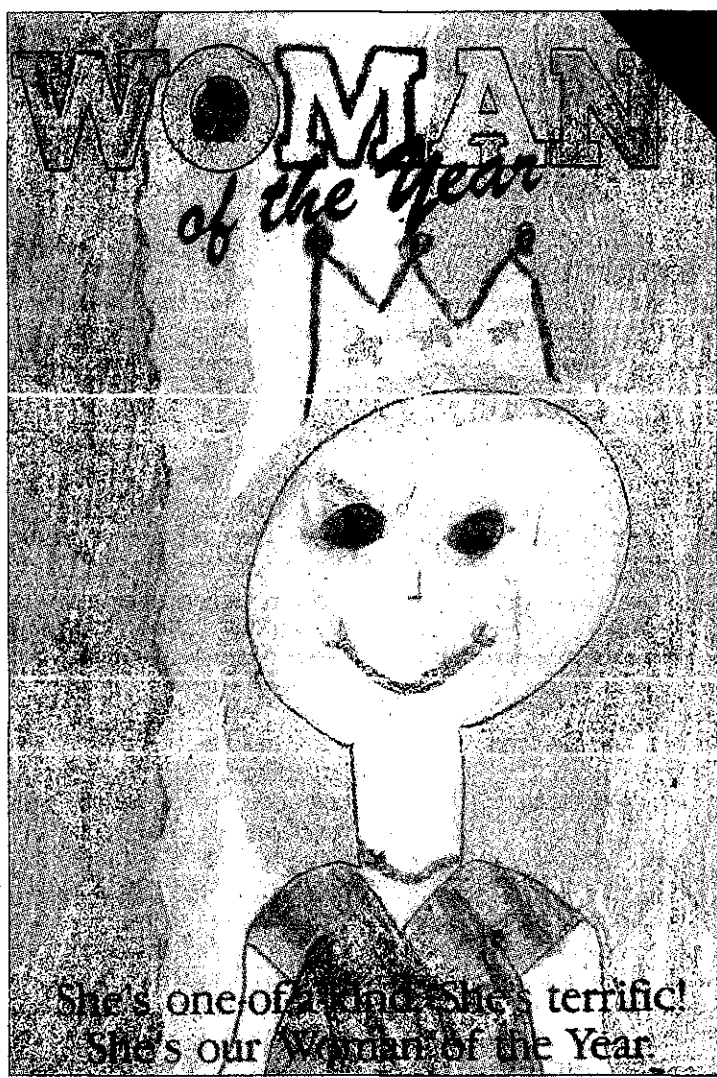
Catholic School, grade 6 Dear Editor, My mom is the best person in the world. She cooks, cleans, works, and loves everyone in my family. She not only does all that, but she does

She gives me warm hugs She disciplines me in a good way She cooks all of my meals She rewards me when I do good She love me more than the whole world She is the best mom in the



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she is on the front page of time for kids. She's the won who alwasy sticks up for me. I love my mom. She is the best! That's my mom!  
Sidney Dugan  
Mair 2nd Grade

she is a great cook, give the best hugs and she always goes on walks with me and my dog Scout. Also she always helps me with my homework, plays games with me and she helps me understand the stuff I do in my cluster math group. Then at the end of the day we watch people get kicked off American Idol on Thursdays Almost every day she makes breakfast, lunch and dinner. And that's what makes my mom special.  
Alex Morrison  
Maire Elementary 2nd Grade

Shes thoutful in every way. Loving and VERY caring. She gives me the best birthday presents. Even if there \$300. My moms the best baker. My favorite thing she makes me is brownies. When ever she gets back from a bisnes trip she brings me back a stufed animal. She knows I colect them. I love my mommy and nothing can make me not to.  
Gwyneth Rennell  
Maire 2nd

she is loving, caring and nice and awesome at baking pie. She is really good at getting stuff for our back yard. My mom always get me books and other stuff. My mom is really nice because she always plans trips for us to go on. She always lets me have a piece of my gum or a chocolate bar. She lets me watch T.V. when I'm done packing my school bag or she will let me go on Webkinz.com She sometimes will take us out to Dinner if she did not plan dinner. She will take us to Little tonys. When she sees my my report card and we get good grades she lets me get something. And thats how nice my mom is!  
Sarah Cauvell  
Maire Elementray 2nd grade

she is good at finding stuff. Once when I lost my blanket downstars I told her, "Mom if you find my blanket can you bring it up" and she said, "Sure". She always finds it. Sometimes I love ti when she tucks me in. My mom is also a very good cooking. I think she should get the cooking award.  
Adam Fox  
Maire 2nd Grade

- Makes the best breakfast ever.
  - She always plays with me when she's not busy.
  - Cares about me
  - Every single night she tucks me in my bed.
  - She lets me go th TCBY mostly every day.
  - I love my mom as much a she loves me
  - She gives me everything I like For dinner.
  - My mom is the best mom EVER
- Thats why I think she should

be the mother of the year.  
Sarah Ashkar  
Maire Elementary 2nd Grade

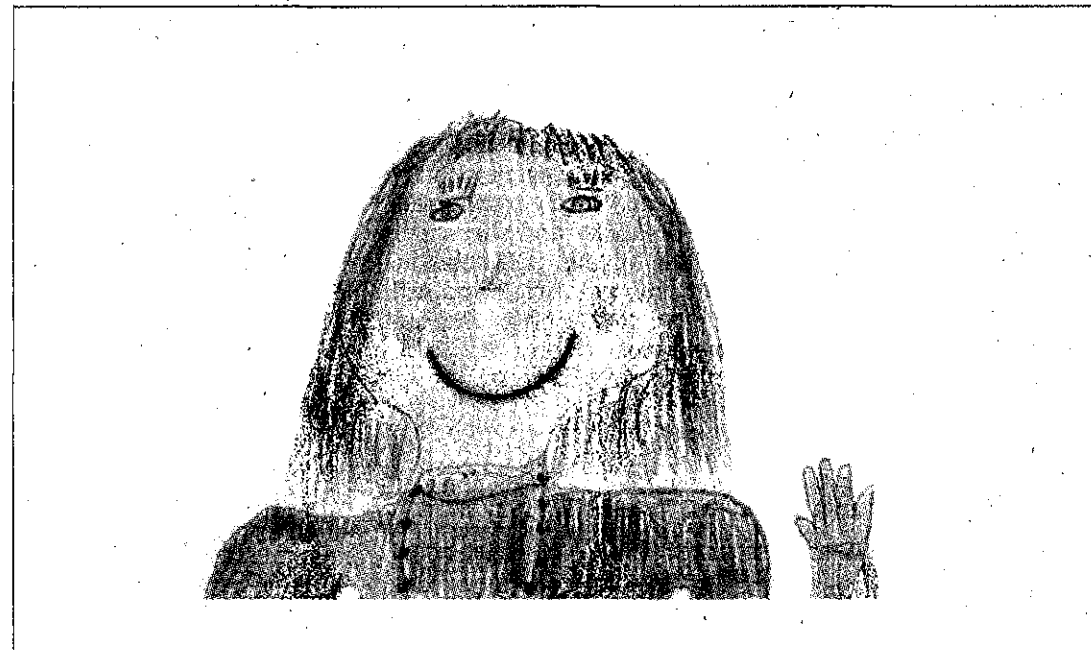
she makes popcorn with marshmallows in it when I have friends over. Sometimes she tucks me into my bed. My mom lets me ride my bike around the block without a helmet on. My mom is special because in the summer she lets me and my brother call up lots of friends to play Dodgeball. My mom is the bomb. She comes to my basball gams. My mom ROCKS!  
Max Carrier  
Mair Elementary 2nd Gade

she's a good cook She's also vry forgiving. Sometimes we go to padprson Park and play catch with the football. Every school day me and my mom ride our bikes to a corner and wait for John wheeler. May mom isn't the best mom in america. She's the best mom in the universe.  
Jacob Balconi  
Maire Elementary 2nd grade

she always helps me with my home work. I love when she watches movies with us. When our dad says we can sleep in there room my sister and me tumbel close to my mom and may dad says why won't you come by me. My sister rolls over but I stay by my mom. We sleep peacefully. My mom is a great cook. This year she cooked Easter dinner all by hershelf. I love going to disney world with her. I love my mom and she loves me to.  
Isaac Kadol  
Maire 2nd Grade

she let's me have friends over when ever I want. I love her chocolate chip cookies they are 'AWSOME and the BEST cookies ever. She only has one child and it's a girl. Her name is Raleigh. Raleigh was born on August 2 in the year of 2000. Raleigh is seven in a half years old. (TIP: She love her mom) When we play together we have a blast! My mom is the best at everything. PS. She is very nice!  
Raleigh K Cerre  
Maire Elementary 2nd grade

she is a good cook. She got me the chicken webkinz and I like ti. She plays with me and we play the Wii it is super fun. My mom is nice we always go

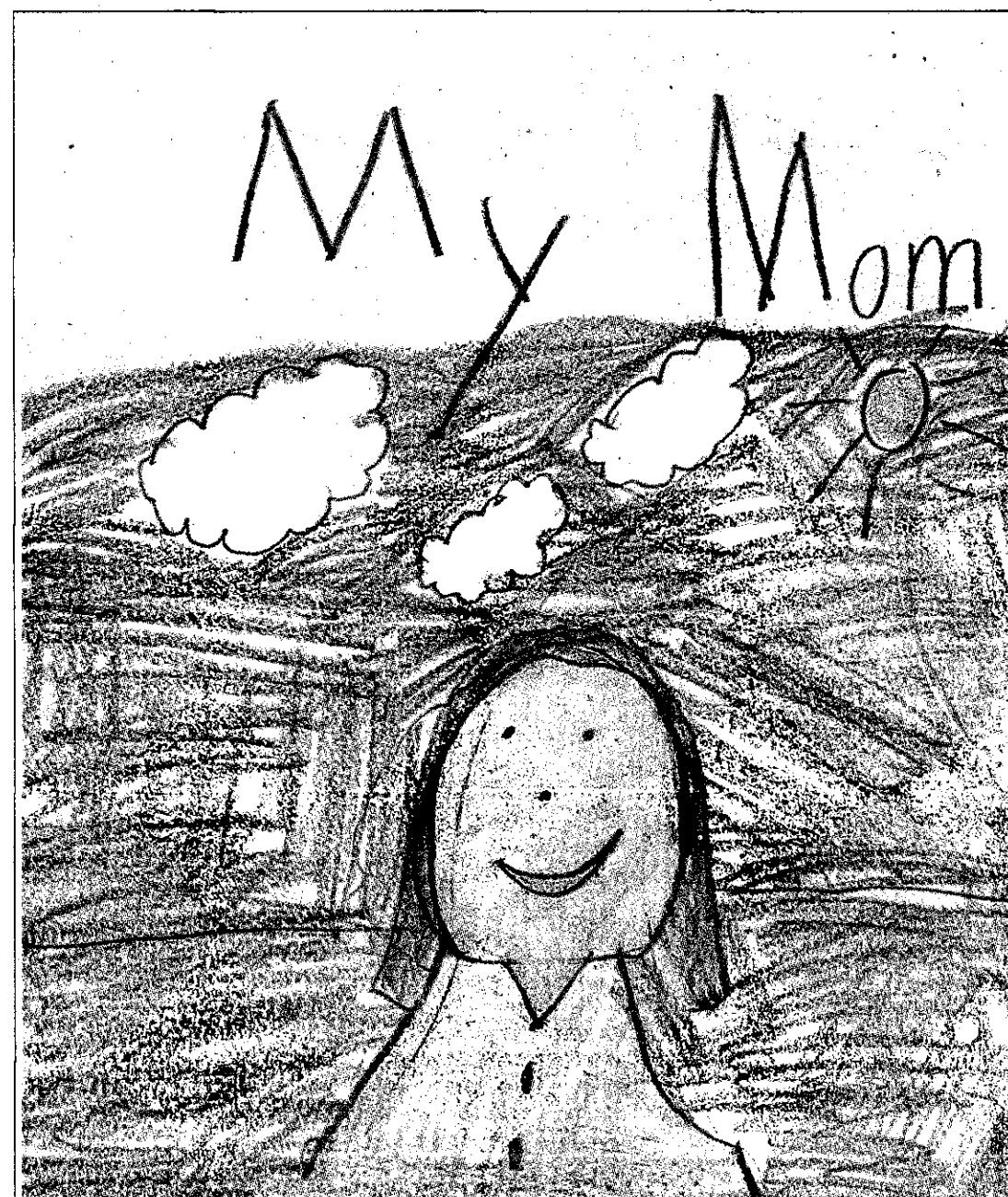


to TCDY and have some ice cream there and I get m and m's on my ice cream. She loves me and I Love her. When I cry she cry we do evreything together. My mom is a grate mom and she rocks!!!!  
Collin Monette  
Maire 2nd

she always cares for me. She is the best mom ever. Well I think so. She oves me and I love her. She is very friendly to my friends. Sometimes when my friends are over she lets us eat what every we aant. She is very brave. One she killed a bee 3 inches big. She always helps me with my homework. I Love her more than ever. She is the best mom ever  
Ella Turnbull  
Maire Elementary 2nd grade

she cares about me. Also she is a good baker I love my mom as much as she loves me. And wen she's sad I hug her and she hugs me back! I love my mom and she loves me too.  
Claire Nyboer  
Maire Elementry 2nd Grade

she is my mom and nobody elses and she is nice to me. Only me and my sister and brother are her children and only she is our mother. She is also an AWESOME cook I love her jello, her cake, and much more of her cooking. She is also talented and very smart. But at night time the thing she does



best is cuddling.  
Katherine Clark  
Maire 2nd

My mom is special because she is helpful. She helps me make my bed sometimes. Sometimes she helps my brother eat his tacos. She does our laundry and folds our clothes into drawers. She is very helpful. My mom is special because she is patient she waits for us before going somewhere fun. She waits for people in line at the store. She is very patient. My mom is special because she is fun She likes to play board games such as Sorry and Ringz. She like to

play Wii Sports tennis. She is very good at those things. My mom is special because she is helpful, patient, and fun.  
David Scupholm  
Grosse Pointe Academy

is helpful. She is helpful because she takes William and me to becke. She also plays outside with me. I usually win. She is a good athlete. My mom is also special because she is creative. She is good at making stuff. She likes doing our book report We usually have to make soemthing. Las book report we had to maek a animal using a sock. My mom is really beautifu. My Dad thinks she is the most beautiful woman in the world. That is why they coose to marry each other. Our mom looks really beautiful in a dress. Seh has a lot of dresses and necklaces, and also rings, too. I can't even count all of them. That is why my mom is helpful, creative and beautiful.  
Jeffrey Buhl  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she's toughtful. She's thoughtful because she always sasy I'm cust. My mom is always out buying stuff for me. My mom always gets thoughtful thing. She's always thoughtful! My mom is special because she's bright. My mom always has the perfect ideas. She always gets the ansers right. I always say she the smartest mom I know. My mom is never

a loving person. She's loving to me and everybody in my family. My mom is loving to everyone. She is loving to my friends. She takes me out to dinner to show.  
Howie Crane  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she if fabulous. She is a fabulous cook. Her tomqato soup is especially delicious. I think she's fabulous at cleaning my room She makes fabulous chocolate chip cookies. My mom was fabulously taught. My mom is very intelligent. She helps me with my homework when the problems are confusing. She can beat me at games I'm good at. She can memorize some cooking recipes. Mom is intelligent when it comes to writing. My mom is very playful. Sometimes she plays soccer with me. She plays board games with Harry and me. My mom will play Hide and Go Seek with me. My mom is very funny.  
Samuel Durro  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she is kind to me. She is so kind because she helps me with my homework. She is so kind to me. She is kind to everybody. She likes being kind to people. My mom is really joyful. She like being joyful, too. She is joyful to everybody she sees in the stores. My mom is really creative in art.

she is artistic. She helped me with my sock puppet. She is a good artist. She is the best drawer in the workd. She helps me draw pictures. She is also a good decorator. My mom is brave. She never gets scared. Except for one time. When my borthers put a toys fly in her make-up. She screamed. We covered our ears. My mom is intelligent. She can figure out every math problem. She helps me with my homework. She also helps my borthers with their homework. She is good at helping with spelling too.  
Marksu Minanov  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she is loving. She take good care of me. She helps me and is very understanding. She is always very helpful. She loves me with all her heart. I'm glad I have a mom like her! My mom is special because she is thoughtful. She is always thinking. She forgives me if I forget. She is very good at multitasking. She is a great mom to have around. I love her a lot! My mom is special because she is fabulous. She is a great mom. She is beautiful and can do a lot. She is really fun. She loves me so much! She is thoughtful and loving. She is the best mom ever!  
Emma Anderson  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she is loving she loves our pets. she loves our family. She loves the animals in the world. She loves the schools and the people in the hospital. My mom is special because she is forgiving. She forgives me when I don't listen to her. She forgives my dad. She forgives my family when we do something wrong. She forgives my dog when she runs away. Seh forgives me when I over sleep. My mom is special because she is joyful. She is joyful to my cats, my firmes. And my family. She is joyful to Mrs Wolney. She is oyful to her boss and she is joyful to God. My mom is special because she is loving, forgiving and joyful.  
Matthew Abar  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she is loving. She always gets what I need for school. My mom always makes the best Polish food. My mom is so friendly to my friends. My mom spends time with me a lot. Mom is creative, best artist, help with art projects, she is an artist. Intelligent, helps with homework. Best artist in the galaxy!  
Juliz Przyborowski  
Grosse Pointe Academy

She is kind, always happy. She always understands, very nice to me, Helpful, helps with projects and homework. Makes bed, folds clothes, I'm glad to have her. Never lies to me. A great mom. Helps me and my brother, very intelligent.  
Therese Drettmann  
Grosse Pointe Academy

My takes me and friends to paint and lunch. Sleeps in her room. No babysitters. She is the best. Thoughtful. Marmeson macoroni. Intelligent. Spelling bee, win five years. Generous. Learn piano, siwmming and sailing. Mom is loving, thoughtful, intelligent, generous  
Virginia Cinnamond  
Grosse Pointe Academy

Helpful mom. Helps with homework, understand things, take me everywhere. Makes cookies. Caring. She is fun, go to the pool, play dates. I love her so much.  
Stephanie Vermet  
Grosse Pointe Academy

Mom is helpful, with homework, she will reach something, come to soccer games. She is fun and plays games. Walk to the lake.  
She is beatiful, pretty curly hair.

Gabriela Cavataio  
Grosse Pointe Academy

Mom is kind, make zucine bread, banada bread, cookies. Feeds baby rabbits carrots. Takes us to places we are not supposed to go. She is reliable. She takes me everywhere. She is forgiving.  
Alec McWood  
Grosse Pointe Academy

She likes art work when she was in school. She really likes art TV shows. She is really crative. I like art too, but not as much as she does. My mom is very helpful to me. She helps me with my math. She is helpful to everybody in our family. She's helpful to people in the stores. She is helpful everyday and every night.  
Jlon Tolbert  
Grosse Pointe Academy

she is kind. She will help me bake my favorite reatts. Sometimes she will give the extra batter. After, the treats are finished my mom will frost them, and then let me put the sprinkles on! Then we eat them!

My mom is also special because she is loving. My mom loves me, and I love her. My mom cares for me and my brother and sister so much. We care for her too. That is what family is for. My mom is patient. She never gives up.. That is why she always succeeds. You can always rely on my mom. She is not forgetful at all . My mom is helpful. She helps my borther and me with our homework all the time. We can always count on her. My mom helps us learn to be polite. She is understanding. She helps me all the time with everything. I have the best mom every!

Katie Freuhauf  
Grosse Pointe Academy

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## A time to remember those who served

Memorial Day services founded on tradition

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

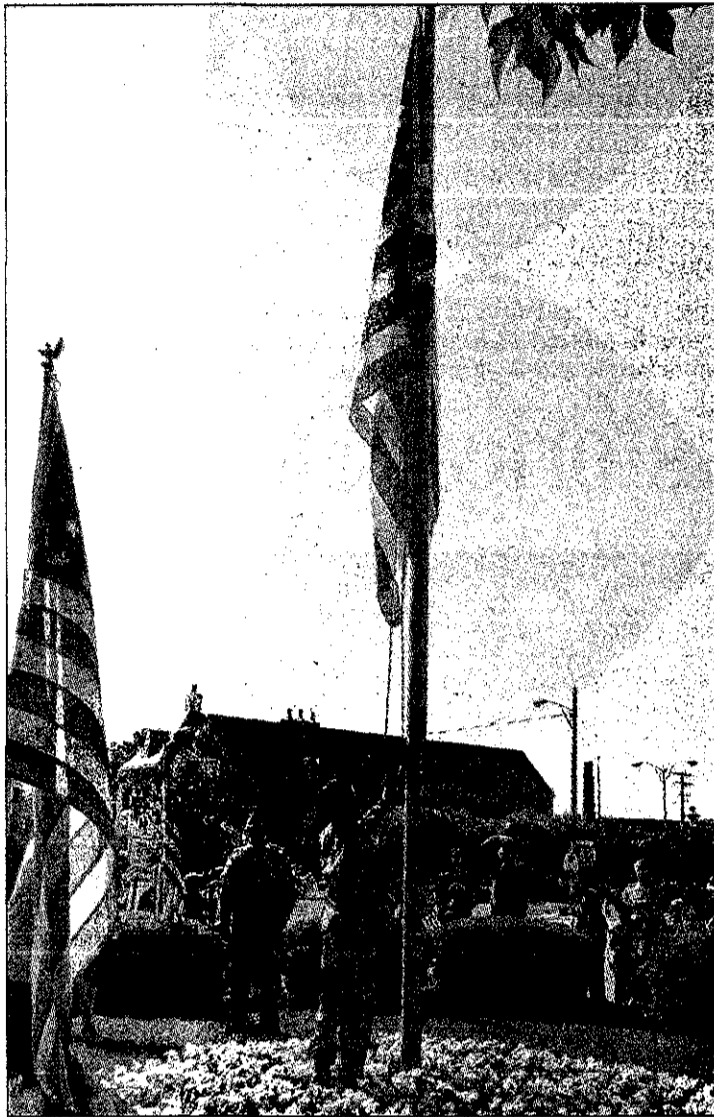
For more than 140 years, Americans have gathered on a day late in May to remember and honor those who have served their country and who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

This year will be no exception, and perhaps carries even more significance with the American military, some of whom are neighbors and friends, fighting and dying in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Before heading to the parks and picnics, hundreds of Grosse Pointers will gather at one of the special observances that mark this year's Memorial Day Monday, May 26.

Ceremonies will be held at the Circle of Honor, located at Mack and Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods, and lakeside at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

This will be the 26th year that the Woods' Historical



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The American flag is prominent in every parade as it was in the 2007 Memorial Day parade. It's a day to be inspired, remember and acknowledge those who have and are serving in the armed forces. At left, the flag is raised in the Circle of Honor at Mack and Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

many would be forgotten," said Novitke, a member of the U.S. Marine Corps, who served in Vietnam. "Marking Memorial Day is a debt we owe to those we have lost. I think the phrase, 'Always remember, never forget' says it best."

Last year's service drew 500 people and Ferry believes it is because Memorial Day, while always an important day, holds even more significance these past few years because of the large numbers of American troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"It's important to people to

be here. There are people who come who have lost relatives in different wars, and there are people who just want to honor those who gave so much," she said. "What we find most inspiring is how many young people and young families attend. It is truly a small town America celebration, where dogs bark and babies cry, and we're all together, young and old, for this special day."

A flyover by the Michigan Air National Guard is expected and, in what has become a Memorial Day tradition, Woods resident Mason Ferry

will fire a signal cannon.

Veterans are urged to wear their uniforms, or at least in part, and gather after the ceremony for a group picture. In the event of rain or extremely cold weather, the ceremony will be moved across Mack to the auditorium at Parcels Middle School.

Lake St. Clair provides the backdrop for the observance at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The service begins at 10 a.m. and will open with a joint service color guard.

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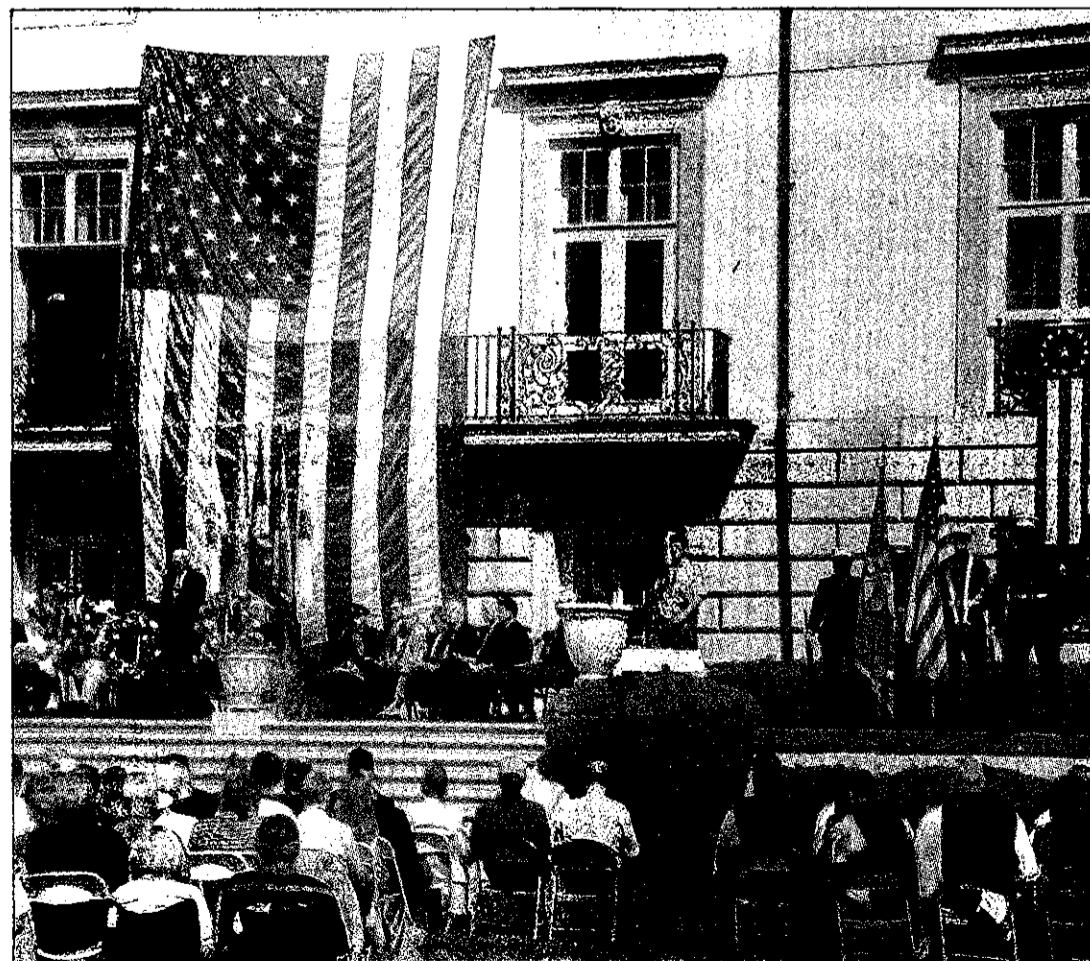


Commission has organized a ceremony to honor those who have died in service to their country, according to commission chairman, Mary Kay Ferry.

"The Circle of Honor was created by Albert Howe, a local dentist, who lost a brother in World War II, and John Hamel, who was then director of the historical commission," she said. "The Circle of Honor is a place where people can gather to remember those who have given so much. Memorial markers recognize the wars in which we fought, and there are flags from each of those wars."

The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. with the raising of the American flag. Olivia Bryant will lead attendees in singing the National Anthem. An invocation will be delivered by the Rev. Keith Crawford. Commander Brian Bowles, U.S. Navy, will speak, along with Mayor Robert Novitke. Scout troops will present a wreath honoring the lives of those who died for their country.

"Memorial Day is important because without remembrance, the sacrifices of so



FILE PHOTOS

"Always remember and never forget" is the foundation on which guests will gather at 10 a.m. Monday, May 26, on the grounds of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. They will acknowledge, through solemn and patriotic words and music those who have served and are serving the United States. Above, a former soldier salutes the flag during a ceremony in Grosse Pointe Woods' Circle of Honor.





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From left to right, Marianne Endicott of Grosse Pointe Shores, Bill Rands of Grosse Pointe, Donand Kim Schmidt of Grosse Pointe Shores, Marian and the Honorable Joseph N. Impastato of Grosse Pointe Shores; seated, left to right, Patrick and Stephanie Germack Kerzic of Grosse Pointe and Greg and Suzanne Frederickson of Grosse Pointe Park.

Detroit Historical Society fundraiser

The Detroit Historical Society, along with the Detroit Wayne County Port Authority, celebrated the region's storied maritime history at the 2008 Dossin Great Lakes Museum Gala April 18.

This year's event featured a Treasure Island theme, strolling dinner, the opportunity to explore the museum's new exhibits and a silent auction.

Proceeds help the museum continue to provide educational programs and exhibits that celebrate the maritime history of the region.

The Michigan Marine Terminal was the Auction Sponsor for this year's gala.

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From left to right, Doug and Diane Dossin of Grosse Pointe Farms, Kimberly and Detroit City Council President Kenneth Cockrel Jr., Mary Ann and Detroit Historical Society Executive Director Bob Bury of Grosse Pointe Park.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Grosse Pointe Farms resident **Bethine Whitney** is the recipient of Planned Parenthood's 2008 Wally Klein Leadership Award.

She was recognized for her participation on the organization's planning committee at the Planned Parenthood Mid and South Michigan 14th Annual Fundraising Luncheon.

A Planned Parenthood volunteer since 1970, Whitney was on the original luncheon committee in 1994 and chaired and encouraged attendance at the Holiday Mart. She is a

member of the Junior League of Detroit, The Garden Club of Michigan, and Tau Beta Association and sits on the Grosse Pointe Garden Center Board.

Former Grosse Pointe News cartoonist **Phil Hands** was one of the Wisconsin State Journal staff nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in the editorial writing category.

He worked for the Grosse Pointe News for more than 10 years, starting when he was a Grosse Pointe South High

School junior.

The Wisconsin paper was nominated for its campaign against abuses in the governor's veto power. Others whom the editor-in-chief recognized were Opinion Page Editor Scott Milfred and editorial writer Charles Martin.

**Jessica Belcoure** of Grosse Pointe Park graduated from Central Michigan University in Dec. 2007 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Richard Courson Jr.** of Grosse Pointe Park graduated from Central Michigan University in Dec. 2007 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Natalie Buscemi** of Grosse Pointe Woods graduated from Central Michigan University in Dec. 2007 with a Bachelor of Applied Arts degree.

**Kristine Slack** of Grosse Pointe Woods graduated from Central Michigan University in Dec. 2007 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

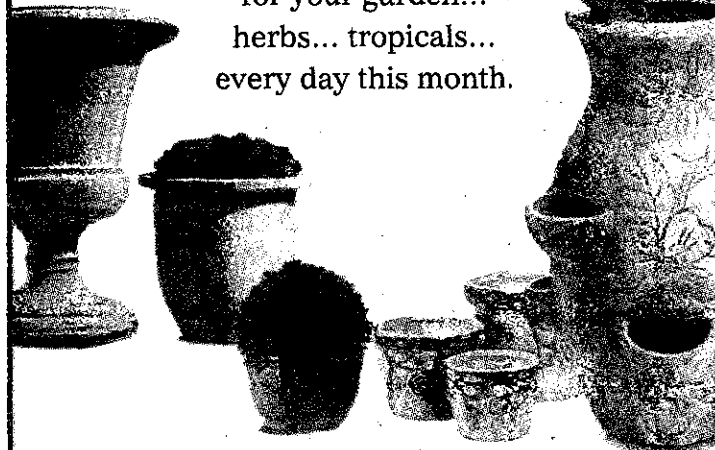
**Cristina M. Nellis**, a 2007 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, was named to the Dean's List at Grand Valley State University for the fall semester.

She is the daughter of Theresa Nellis of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late James P. Nellis.

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Names of Grosse Pointers who have died in America's wars will be read and a bell will toll. There will be a rifle salute as well as a flyover by the Michigan Air National Guard, weather permitting.

The public is invited, but a special invitation goes out to veterans of all wars, including World War II, Korea, Vietnam and the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts.

"We have been holding this service for nearly 50 years," said Teri Carroll of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. "It is a beautiful, moving service, and we always have a large turnout. Last year 800 people attended. It is our way of saying thank you to those who gave so much."





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HEALTH COLUMN By Jeff and Debra Jay

# Concern for traditions for those turning 21



**D**ear Jeff and Debra, Our nephew says that many college students are following a new ritual of drinking 21 drinks on their 21st birthday. I find this absurd at best and dangerous at worst. Is this really catching on? What are the possible consequences?

-CONCERNED UNCLE

Dear Concerned,

Yes, this dangerous ritual has been getting more popular, and there have been quite a few deaths as a result. By the end of this year, more than 300 Americans will die of alcohol

poisoning.

YouTube and Flickr have posted videos showing people drinking 21 shots in a brief period to "celebrate" their 21st birthday. It would seem obvious that drinking this much would result in alcohol poisoning, but many are undeterred.

The latest victim was a young man in Wisconsin, who drank 21 shots with friends at a bar in March. A friend helped him get home, but he was found unresponsive on a couch by a family member.

Happy Birthday.

Of course, alcohol poisoning doesn't always result in death. Subtle brain damage can occur instead, resulting in degraded cognitive abilities or emotional problems.

Alcohol poisoning results when the blood alcohol levels reach 0.26 or more. At this level, a person is considered to be

severely impaired and is at risk of serious accidental injury, choking on vomit and other maladies.

Different people metabolize alcohol differently, based on age, weight, gender and other factors. In some cases, as few as 10 drinks can raise the blood alcohol level to 0.30.

Alcohol poisoning isn't the only way to die as a result of over-drinking. On a recent 20/20 television program, Dr. David Jernigan of Georgetown University's Center on Alcohol Marketing and Youth said 1,400 college students a year die "as a result of alcohol use."

Sixteen-year-old Julia Gonzalez was found dead in a California park with a blood alcohol level of 0.52. None of her friends are willing to admit partying with her on the fatal night and police and her parents are unable to solve the

mystery.

Julie weighed 100 pounds and stood 5 feet 2 inches. The deputy coroner estimated that Julie would need to have consumed one pint of 86-proof alcohol in one hour to reach this astronomical blood alcohol level. Apparently, she was abandoned in the park by her friends. The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism says this about alcohol poisoning: "Alcohol depresses nerves that control involuntary actions such as breathing and the gag reflex, which prevents choking."

Someone who drinks a fatal dose of alcohol will eventually stop breathing.

Even if someone survives an alcohol overdose, he or she can suffer irreversible brain damage. Rapid binge drinking, which often happens on a bet or a dare, is especially danger-

ous because the victim can drink a fatal dose before losing consciousness."

So what are the signs of alcohol poisoning? Here's a short list: mental confusion, stupor, vomiting, failure to rouse, seizures, slow or irregular breathing, lower body temperature and bluish or pale skin.

It should also be noted the process of alcohol poisoning can continue after a person passes out, since the alcohol will continue to enter the blood stream from the stomach and intestines. A person who seems to be sleeping it off, may be in a dangerous situation.

Get more information on alcohol poisoning and a wide range of topics from NIAAA at [niaaa.nih.gov/](http://niaaa.nih.gov/).

Earlier this year, 22-year-old David Reid died of alcohol poisoning after a 45 minute drinking contest. He had just landed

a good job with Bank of New York after graduating with a finance degree. David and a friend were trying to emulate the "last man standing" scene from the movie, "American Pie." After the game, David was put to bed in a sleeping bag by his friend. Four hours later, the same friend noticed that David wasn't breathing. The friend had a terrible hangover, but David was dead.

If you suspect someone has alcohol poisoning, don't wait for all the possible signs to be present. Call 911 and get immediate medical help. Better yet, revise your ideas of celebration to eliminate those that might cause serious injury or death.

It's just not fun.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors or coauthors of several books. Contact them at [lovefirst.net/](http://lovefirst.net/).

X-TRA SPECIAL ADVICE By Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan

# Special lessons learned from parental trenches



**I**n the spirit of the season of the parent holidays—Mother's Day and Father's Day—here are the 20 most important lessons Ted and I learned as parents of a special needs child:

1. Always remember to treat your child as a child first and a child with special needs second.

2. There is no guarantee your child's skills will improve

if not for your unwavering patience, constant attention and most importantly, unconditional love.

3. It's important to turn off the TV or computer every evening after work to engage your child, even if it is for 30 minutes.

4. It's easy to focus on what your child cannot do, but much more important to recognize and celebrate what your child can do and build on those strengths through planning, praise and practice.

5. Your role as a parent is to help your child reach their maximum potential no matter how or what that may be.

6. Milestones may take

longer to reach, but they are more rewarding and the celebrations are more meaningful.

7. Before you leave the house with your child, clearly communicate where you are going, whom you are going to see and what you will be doing. This may help to lower the anxiety and stress levels of everyone in the family.

8. Accept your child's more unusual behaviors in its context, but correct them where appropriate.

9. You may want to limit situations in which your child will not likely succeed, yet increase situations that push their com-

fort level to interact socially while increasing their chances of success through clear communication and bringing along comfort items.

10. Understand the motivations of good behavior and the causes of poor behavior; develop remedies to offset the occasional meltdown.

11. Find and actively participate in parent support groups.

12. Always take an opportunity to recognize and thank the special school team members and private professionals, who work with your child.

13. Be honest with your child, always admit errors and

learn from them; everyone makes mistakes.

14. Realize that a child with special needs may perceive things differently than you.

15. Accept that there may be more than one way to do something, and your child's way may be right, even if it isn't your way.

16. Working together with your child's school team members and private professionals to make decisions can be a productive process.

17. Steady yourself when reacting to disappointing news, especially medical news.

18. Stay calm in emergency

situations, remembering to act in the best interest of your child.

19. Understand that successful learning embraces all styles, such as participatory vs. reflective.

20. Always do what you say you will do and when you say you will do it.

Grosse Pointe residents Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X syndrome [[fragilex.org](http://fragilex.org/)]. Send your questions or comments to [tblangan@hotmail.com](mailto:tblangan@hotmail.com).

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# Sunscreen understanding made simpler

Summer is here and with it comes summer camps, yard work, sand, surf and most of all, sun.

Most Americans are aware of the dangers of sun exposure. For people of every skin tone, avoiding the sun's harmful rays is important—especially between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. More than 1 million skin can-

cers are diagnosed annually. One in five Americans and one in three caucasians will develop skin cancer in the course of a lifetime. More than 90 percent of all skin cancers are caused by sun exposure.

For children, the risks are especially high — one blistering sunburn may double the risk of skin cancer later in life.

"Skin cancer is absolutely preventable, if people would just follow basic sun safety rules," says dermatologist Dr. Robert Noss. "Avoid outdoor activities when the sun is strongest, stay in the shade as

much as possible, wear protective clothing, and apply and reapply sunscreen with a sun protection factor of at least 15 throughout the day."

There are as many arguments against using sunscreen as there are reasons to use it. It smells funny. It's sticky. It takes too long to dry. It's messy.

New sunscreen products lessen these reasons.

Sunscreen sticks are perfect for easily burned faces and noses. Because they are solid, they can be rubbed or wiped on, ensuring complete protec-

tion. New sunscreen wipes offer convenient, mess-free application. Disposable cloths come preloaded with the perfect amount of fast-drying sunscreen the that goes on with one quick swipe, making it easy to protect even the squirmiest child.

Aerosol sprays have become popular for applying sunscreen, but they may smell funny and make it tough to ensure full coverage on a windy day. Controlled sprays offer easier application without the aerosol waste and smell.

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# Summer camp for children with asthma

Registrations are now being taken for Camp Superkids, a regional overnight summer camp just for children with asthma.

This special medically-staffed camp will be held July 21-26 at the Center for Courageous Kids located in Scottsville, Ky.

At Camp Superkids, campers get the benefits of a regular camp as they learn more about their asthma and how to control it. The camp is for boys and girls, age 7 through 13, who have moderate to severe asthma. It is staffed round-the-clock by doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists.

Dr. Tim Feger, a Kentucky asthma and allergy specialist,

who volunteers at the camp, said the program helps eliminate the stereotype that children with asthma should avoid physical activity.

"Taking control of your asthma is the key to leading a full, active life," he said. "At camp, these kids have the time of their lives, while they learn important asthma management skills."

Activities include hiking, swimming, field games, archery, rock wall climbing, horseback riding and arts and crafts.

Camp Superkids is sponsored by the American Lung Association and is offered at no cost through the sponsorship of Kosair Children's Hospital,

Premier Home Medical and the Center for Courageous Kids.

Camp Director Jennifer Hollifield said parents can expect to pay at least \$500 per child for a weeklong overnight camp. "We're so pleased to be able to offer this camp free because we want to reach as many kids with asthma as we can," she said.

Those interested in donating to the camp or sponsoring a child can contact the lung association.

To sign up or for more information, call 1-800-586-4872 or visit [kylung.org](http://kylung.org). Those who pre-register will receive a set of forms to complete, including one to be filled out by the camper's doctor.

# Summer conditioning for female athletes

Conditioning programs for female athletes are being offered by the Henry Ford Center for Athletic Medicine.

These FasTrac classes are designed for athletes from all sports with the goal of improving athletic performance and decreasing the risk of injury. Henry Ford certified athletic trainers and performance enhancement specialists take par-

ticipants through a series of exercises in a circuit training format.

The 60-minute classes consist of a warm-up, two times around the circuit and a cool down session designed to improve core power, strength, speed and stability.

The classes will be held at Marian High School, 7225 Lahser, Bloomfield Hills.

Dates, topics and times include:

◆ June 16 - 20, Core and plyometrics, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

◆ June 23 - 27, Speed and agility, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

◆ July 7 - 11, Overhead athlete, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$50 per week or \$10 per day.

To register, call (313) 972-4167.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Beth Garvey

# Over-scheduling means a balancing act



Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series.

**Q.** I feel there is a lot of pressure to have my children in multiple activities. While I would like my children to be involved in what interests them, I do worry about over-scheduling.

As parents, how can we help our children strike the right balance?

**A.** The current thinking is more is better and the

busiest families have been held up as the model for success in our achievement-oriented culture.

Parents want what is best for their children and are trying to promote healthy development and a sense of accomplishment by providing so many opportunities for success. But the demands on children — and their schedules — have become excessive.

Life for most families has become so busy that many parents have not stopped to reflect on whether this "busyness" makes any sense or is meeting the needs they hoped.

Children are going from one activity to another with little consideration given to the val-

ue of family time or solitude. Studies indicate that families are spending less time together, while children are reporting that they would like to have more time with their parents.

It is important to prepare our children for success in this competitive climate. But it may be time to revisit how to best prepare them. Though simplistic, protecting family time is critical.

Children need time and space for refueling, reflection and creating. They need attention, affection, guidance, discipline and conversation. Children need laughter, playtime, affection and touch. And they need a responsible, caring adult to know and love them

intimately and to be actively engaged in their development.

Success, self-regard and growth — all can be best developed in the context of family.

We have the responsibility to connect our children with opportunities in the broader community, but we would be well served by looking critically at our choices and following through in a mindful, selective manner.

## Signs of over scheduling

- ◆ An increase in negative temperament characteristics, such as whining, separation anxiety or oppositional behavior.

- ◆ Complaints that scheduled

activities are "boring" or a resistance to attending scheduled activities.

- ◆ Changes in sleeping or eating habits, moods swings, repeated illness or a decline in academic or extracurricular performance.

- ◆ An increase in fighting or irritability, particularly around transitions.

## Protecting family time

- ◆ Limit activities. Have one day a week when nothing is scheduled. Maintain regular mealtimes or institute family meetings or game night.

- ◆ Create family rituals which protect time. Read aloud together, have nightly bedtime conversations, make meals as

a family, or attend religious services.

- ◆ Maintain family routines. The repetitive nature of routines provides children comfort, predictability and a sense of control.

- ◆ Turn off the TV, the computer and cell phones.

- ◆ Work together rather than dividing chores so that children can contribute to communal work and feel genuinely useful.

- ◆ Celebrate together and develop traditions that support family relationships.

E-mail questions to [info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:info@familycenterweb.org). To volunteer or contribute, visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) or call (313) 432-3832.

# Stomp out excuses not to exercise

Exercising more excuses than muscle? You're not alone.

Millions of Americans understand the benefits of exercise,

yet many spend more time making excuses than moving.

"Exercise is probably the closest thing we have to a magic pill for keeping our bodies and minds healthy," said Joe Moore, president and CEO of the International Health, Racquet & Sportsclub Association.

"Exercise can make us feel good quickly. Even modest amounts can have health benefits. The important thing is getting started."

**"I just don't have time to exercise."**

Not so. Any physical activity is better than none. Just 15 to 30 minutes a day can have health benefits. Stretch and run in place during TV time. Start taking the stairs or park farther out.

**"I'm too old to exercise."**

Says who?

## Exercise tips

- ◆ Start with 5 to 10 minutes per day, several times a week
- ◆ 15 to 30 minutes a day is beneficial for all ages.
- ◆ Any age is a good age to exercise. First check with your doctor.
- ◆ Join a health club or local gym.
- ◆ Take classes at a community center.
- ◆ Work up to 150 to 200 minutes per week.

As long as your doctor gives you the green light, you can exercise at any age — and benefit from it. Exercise is about total health — including quality of life, energy level and mental outlook. Research shows that exercise is likely the best prescription for healthy aging, and many organizations offer programs for seniors.

**"I don't know how to get started."**

That's the hardest part, but it doesn't have to be. Start at 5 to 10 minutes a day and increase when possible. Aim for 150 to 200 minutes a week.

Join a local health club, a lo-

cal gym or take classes through a community center.

## Stomp out those excuses!

This May, health clubs across the country are opening their doors for free for several days as part of the Get Active America! program. Participants will have access to equipment, classes, personal trainers and a supportive environment.

For more information, visit [GetActiveAmerica.com](http://GetActiveAmerica.com). For a list of health clubs with programs for seniors, families, and people with special health concerns, visit [ihrsa.org](http://ihrsa.org).

# Asthma-related illnesses addressed

Breathe Well, Live Well, a free program designed to reduce asthma-related illnesses and disabilities, is being offered in Detroit.

Sponsored by the American Lung Association, this interactive adult group program assists adults with asthma by building knowledge and self-management skills.

Developed with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Breathe Well, Live Well has been proven effective through nationwide testing. People in the program report less severe asthma, fewer respiratory

problems and better ability to stick to their treatment plan. The program is taught by an American Lung Association-trained facilitator. Class sizes are limited and registration is required.

The following is a list of upcoming workshops:

- ◆ Monday, May 19, 12 to 4 p.m. — 13901 East Jefferson, Detroit. For more information or to register, call Ms. Cox at (313) 822-0900, ext. 3106 by May 15.

- ◆ Thursday, May 22, 12 to 4 p.m. Eastside Health Center, 7900 Kercheval, Detroit. For more information or to regis-

ter, call Ms. Giroux at (313) 579-7017 by May 15.

- ◆ Saturday, May 24, 12 p.m. Bruce Douglas Health Center, 6550 W. Warren, Detroit. For more information or to register, call (313) 897-6569 by May 22.

- ◆ Tuesday, May 27, 1 to 5 p.m. Butzel Family Center, 37 Kercheval, Detroit. For more information or to register, call (313) 628-2111 by May 21.

- ◆ Tuesday, May 27, 1 to 5 p.m. 611 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Detroit. For more information or to register, call Ms. Hill at (313) 832-6300, ext. 2114 by May 20.

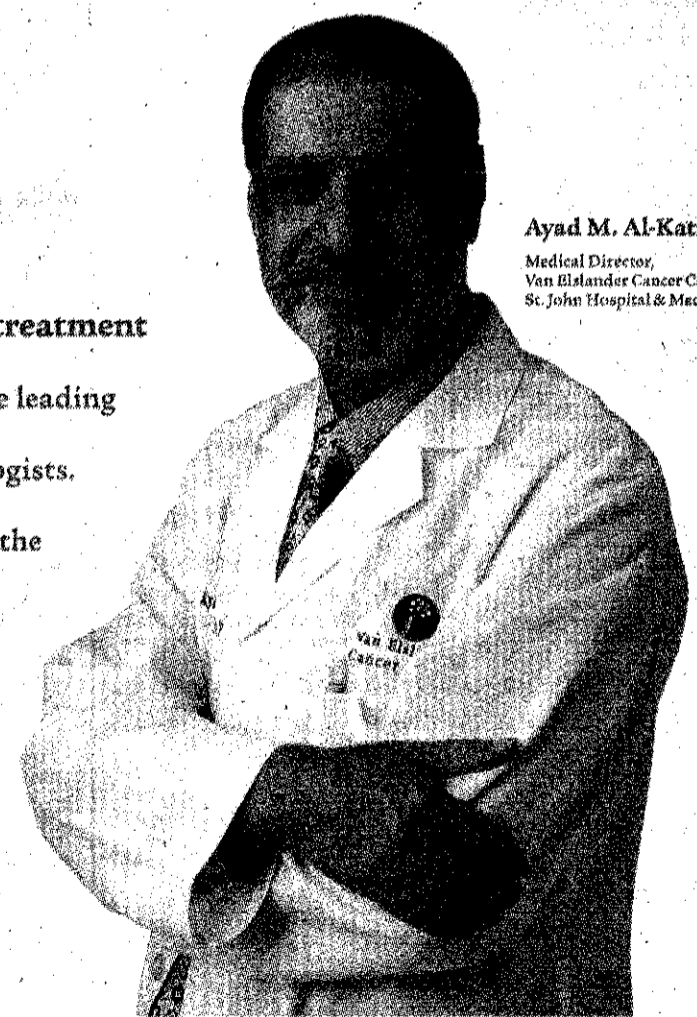
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# CHURCH ACTIVITIES

**Paws with a Cause**

The Women of the Church at the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, will conduct their annual spring meeting at noon, Wednesday, June 4.

The luncheon and program take place in the lounge followed by a program and short business meeting.

Men and women of the congregation and the community are invited to hear the presentation titled "Paws With A Cause." This will be an overview of the organization which trains assistance dogs nationally for people with disabilities and provides lifetime team support encouraging independence. "Paws..." promotes awareness through education.

First English Church member Ernie Richardson, who benefits from this organization firsthand, will present the program. His dog, Travis, will be in attendance.

There is no charge for the free-will offering luncheon and reservations can be made by calling the church office at (313) 884-5040.



Andrew R. Galuska

**Pictures and pipes**

Andrew R. Galuska, the recently appointed minister of music and organist at Detroit's Metropolitan United Methodist Church, presents Mussorgskij's "Pictures at an Exhibition" at 7:30 p.m., Friday,

May 23.

The second half of the recital is titled "Improvisation on Modern Art." Projected pictures will also be shown during the program.

The organ at the church has 7,003 pipes to provide a tonal variety of sound for the Mussorgskij work. There is lighted and supervised free parking adjacent to the church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets are \$10. For more information, call the church at (313) 875-7407.

**Summer worship hours**

Summer worship hours at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier,

Grosse Pointe Woods, begins at 7 p.m., Thursday, May 22.

Communion will be served on the first and third Thursdays. On Sundays, beginning May 25 there will be a traditional worship at 9 a.m. with Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays and contemporary worship with Holy Communion every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The schedule continues through Labor Day.

**Book discussion**

Discussion of Lee Stroble's book, "The Case for the Real Jesus," takes place from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 20, at Grace United Church of Christ, 1175 Lakepointe, Grosse Pointe Park.



## Noah's Ark

The children of St. James Lutheran Church Mothers of Preschoolers and their leaders used hand puppets were used in their MOPPETS program to learn about Noah's ark. Leaders are, from left, Jenny Marshall, Marge Nixon and Fred Schneider, all of Grosse Pointe Woods. MOPS is a program designed to encourage mothers with preschool children through relationships and resources. For the summer, MOPS meets at 9:30 a.m. the second and fourth Mondays at Ghesquiere Park in Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call Jennifer Barthel at (313) 640-2018.

## Summer choir camp offered

Christ Church Grosse Pointe hosts two week long music camps for this summer for boys in grades 3-5 and girls in grades 5-7.

The camps are offered from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 23-27 and July 21-25 at the church and will feature classical vocal music training and an introduction into the church's musical program.

The Christ Church Choirs strive for musical excellence

through music offerings including works by master composers, training in vocal technique, skill development in music reading, musical expression and public performances.

Each participant will receive individualized vocal training, group instruction and music theory under the direction of Scott Hanoian. Hanoian is an organist, accompanist, continuo artist, conductor, choral adjudicator and guest clinician in

addition to his role as the director of music and organist at Christ Episcopal Church.

The camp costs \$200 per student and includes a performance DVD, curriculum materials, daily snacks, lunches and incentives. Space is limited. Registration forms can be downloaded from the church's Web site, christchurchgp.org, or picked up at the church office, 61 Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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# Detroit Art Fest has been slated for June 6 - 8

Detroit's premiere arts and entertainment festival returns to Midtown Detroit from June 6-8 and showcases annual favorites and new entertainers and artists.

More than 100 international, regional and local artists will fill the DTE Energy Avenues of Art, a fine Arts and Crafts Market and 10 stages performing more than 100 performances during the three-day artistic celebration.

Admission is free. Festival hours are from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, June 6; noon to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 7; and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday, June 8. The Children's Art Fair hours are noon to 7 p.m. Saturday

and Sunday.

Festival features include:

◆ Miriam Makeba. Hailed throughout the world as "Mama Africa," the legendary South African vocalist has received notoriety for both her music and her outspoken views about apartheid. She will perform at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 8 at the MASCO/Metro Times Stage.

◆ Osadia. This festival favorite is back and ready to magically transform any hairdo into an extravagant "hair sculpture." The Detroit Historical Museum Plaza will serve as a temporary hair salon while Osadia hairdressers work their magic on audience

volunteers.

◆ Wise Fool New Mexico, an aerial and still movement spectacle that stretches one's perception of the human body and Close Act Visual Theatre are back by popular demand and will feature XL-Insects.

◆ Tribute to Donald Walden. Presented by the Arts League of Michigan, this tribute will be conducted by Ken Cox Friday, June 6 at the MASCO/Metro Times Stage. The Detroit Jazz Orchestra will perform with special guests.

◆ Artists and Sounds from Around the World. Included are Chinese-influenced The Orchid Ensemble; the ska/punk/reggae group

Babylon Circus from France; contemporary Slovenian folk-pop artist Brina; South American singer, Marta Gomez; Tcheka, a Cape Verde singer and guitarist; Chic Gamine and Po' Girl, hailing from Canada, featuring distinct voices which span jazz, blues, alternative rock and soul; New York City-based Latin alt-folklorico group Pistolera; and Acadian music and dance group Grand Derangement from Nova Scotia. Many of these artists will be performing in the National City Music Café on Kirby.

◆ National artists. Raul Malo will blend his Cuban her-

itage with the pop sounds of the 60s and the guitar of country music; The Budos Band mixes funk, afro-beat and soul music; Slavic Soul Party!; and Vagabond Opera.

◆ Literary and Music Lounge. Acts include Ray McNiece, a poet that has a way with words and a ironic sense of humor; Thylas Moss, an African American poet, writer and playwright, who has published a number of poetry collections, children's books and plays; singer and songwriter Peter Lewis, also founding member of Moby Grape; and One Ring Zero, a quirky pop duo from Brooklyn, N.Y.

◆ Local Artists. Included are funky Blues diva Thornetta Davis; American Mars, Moonsqualler, Steppin' In It and many others.

◆ DTE Energy Avenues of Art. Nearly 100 country-wide

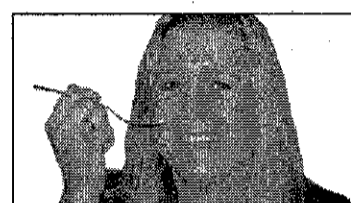
injured artists from photographers to sculptors to jewelers offer their fine arts and crafts for purchase.

◆ Children's Activities. A Children's Art Fair with a Youth Artist's Market, Children's Literary Zone, 75-ton sand sculpture area, grand processions and puppet performances by Mexico City-based Marionetas De La Esquina in both English and Spanish are featured. The Chrysler Children's Fair will feature more than 50 hands-on activities for children and three stages of entertainment, in a land ruled by "little people" where strollers have the right-of-way and children are encouraged to explore their creativity.

For more information, performance schedules and a festival map, visit [detroitfestival.com](http://detroitfestival.com).

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Recipe revisits Euell Gibbons



duced to the public in 1897?

I came across a recipe for Grape Nuts pudding in *Savour* magazine's annual 100 favorite picks of the year. This easy to make dessert is more like custard than pudding.

1/2 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
ground nutmeg for garnish  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9 x 13 glass baking dish and set aside.

Place the cereal in a medium bowl and set aside. Heat the milk over medium heat just until it begins to boil. Pour the milk over the cereal in the bowl and allow it to sit for five minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl

use a whisk to beat the eggs together with the sugar, vanilla and salt. Whisk the egg mixture into the milk mixture, whisking constantly. Turn the mixture into the prepared baking dish. Place the baking dish into a larger roasting pan and add enough hot water to come half way up the baking dish.

Bake at 350 for 1 hour and 15 minutes, just until the pudding is set.

Don't overcook. Serve warm or cold, sprinkled with ground nutmeg.

The cereal settles to the bottom of this creamy baked pudding.

The vanilla lends a rich flavor that boasts just the right amount of sweet.

Grab a box of Grape-Nuts the next time you go shopping. Turn something that's good for you into something that's just really, really good.

### Grape-Nuts Pudding

1 cup Grape-Nuts cereal  
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4 eggs

Remember the commercials for Grape-Nuts cereal back in the "old" days with Euell Gibbons perched out in the middle of nature feasting on a cereal that was actually intro-



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This recipe, which uses Grape Nuts, has been chosen as one of *Savour* magazine's annual 100 favorite picks of the year.



## The Giza Reader

Matt Peplinski and Terry Niggeman of Grosse Pointe Woods took the Grosse Pointe News along when they visited the Pyramids of Giza in Egypt. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a 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](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com). Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

## Boxers hit the ropes at DIA on Thursday, May 22

Boxers from the Kronk gym will duke it out and Mexican masked wrestlers hit the mats beginning at 10 p.m. Thursday, May 22 at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The ring will be set up at the Marble Lounge and The Bang DJ team will provide the backdrop for a dance party.

The monthly Marble Lounge features a cash bar

and food.

This event is in conjunction with the exhibitions *Life's Pleasures: The Ashcan Artists' Brush with Leisure, 1895-1925* and *Give it a Rest: People at Play in American Prints and Drawings, 1895-1945*, each of which features classic images of the boxing ring.

"Our first Marble Lounge in

March was a huge success," said Jim Boyle, DIA director of marketing. "We had nearly 400 attendees. We expect this one to also draw a large crowd curious to watch boxing and wrestling take place in the unlikely of places — an art museum."

Tickets are \$10 for those 18 years and up and will be available at the door.

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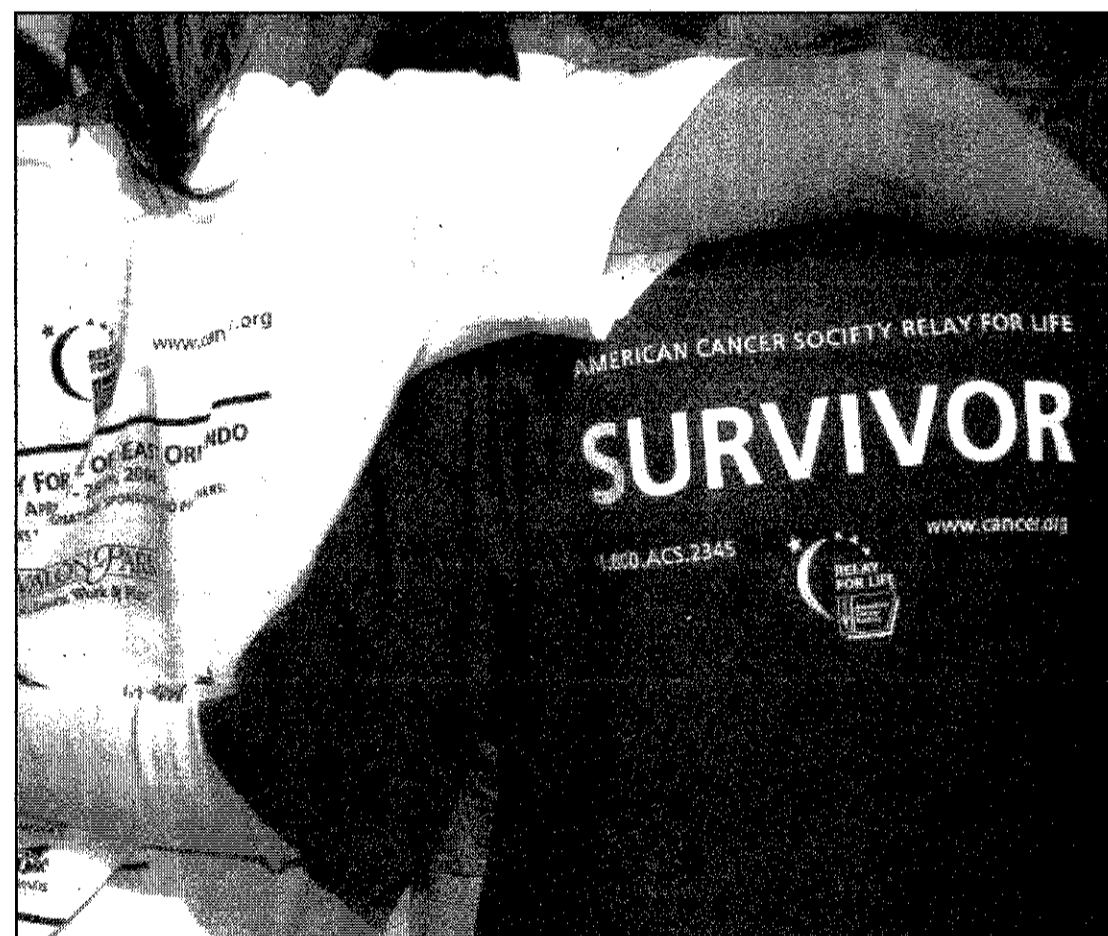
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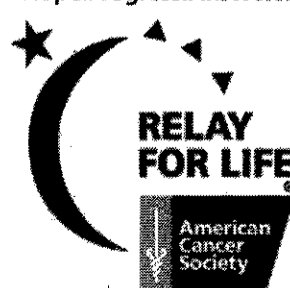
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Grosse Pointe News

# Tin Lizzie visits Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

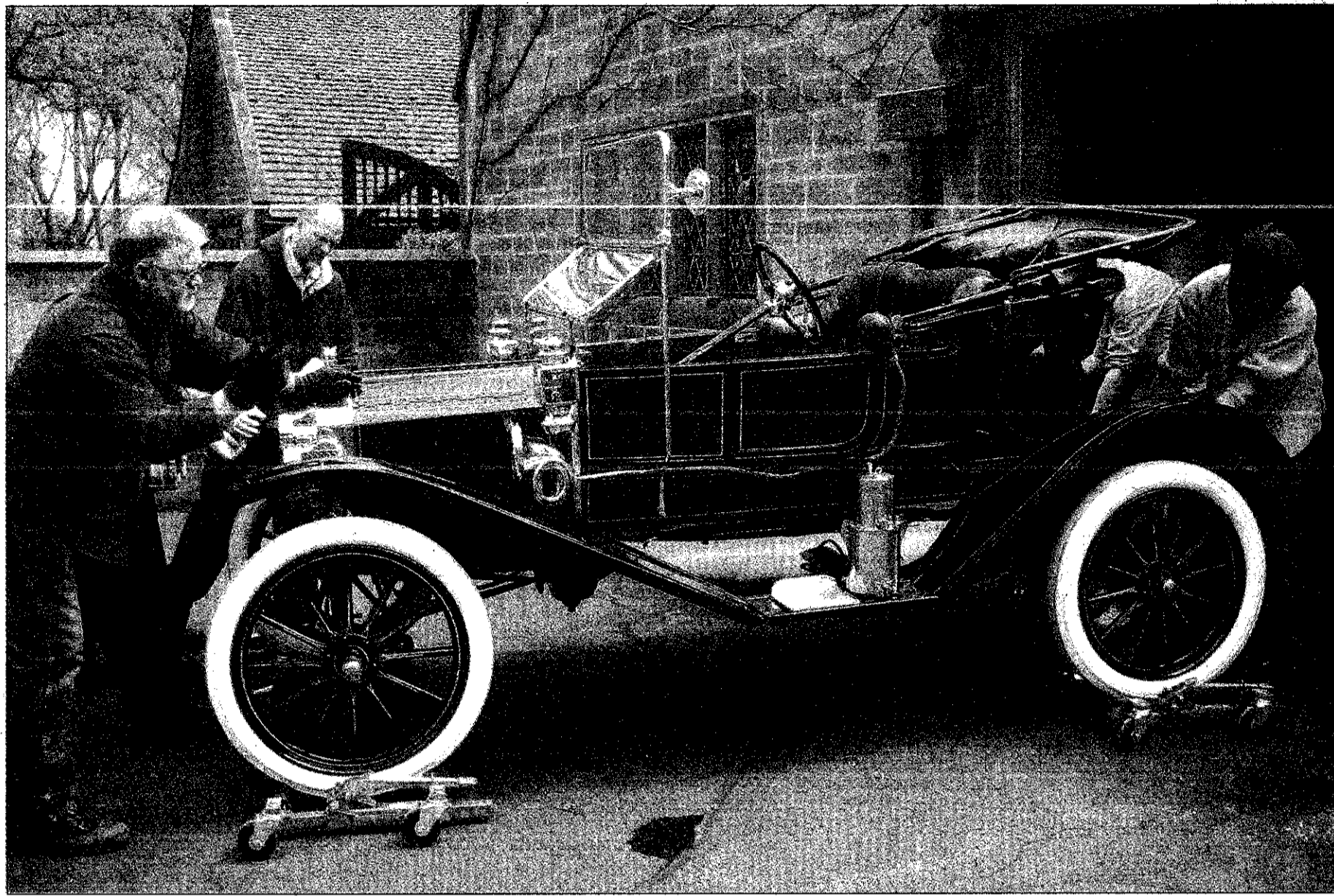
Historic home celebrates Model T Centennial with a new garage exhibit and lecture

Henry Ford was the practical, chassis man; son Edsel was the stylistic designer. The Model A, the long-awaited follow up to the Model T, combined the talents of both men. It was an instant hit and was one of the biggest news stories of the year. In celebration of the Model T centennial, as well as the 80th anniversary of the Model A, the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House unveils a new exhibit inside the estate's historic Garage — "Building on a Legend: Tin Lizzie's Successor."

The exhibit features beautiful examples of a 1911 Model T Torpedo and a 1929 Model A Roadster, as well as historic images and information that celebrate the early heritage of Ford Motor Co. The side-by-side comparison provides visitors with a rare opportunity to consider the evolution and history of these two iconic automobiles. The cars join two vehicles that remain on display in the popular Garage Exhibit — Edsel's 1941 Lincoln Continental Cabriolet and Eleanor's 1952 Lincoln Town Car.

According to David Janssen, vice president of internal operation for Ford House, the introduction of the Model A was a unique collaboration between father and son. "While Henry focused on engineering, he entrusted Edsel with styling, which really played to the strengths of both men," Janssen explained. "The result was a car that stabilized Ford Motor Company's competitiveness, while cementing Edsel Ford's reputation for directing quality automotive design." In the first 36 hours after the Model A was introduced approximately 10 million people visited it in showrooms across the country — which at the time amounted to 10 percent of the entire U.S. population.

Building on a Legend: Tin Lizzie's successor can be viewed until Oct. 31 in the Ford House Garage and is in-



Bill Sherwood, director of Stahl's Automotive Car Collection in St. Clair Shores, guides a 1911 Model T Torpedo into the Garage at Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. The arrival of the Model T, as well as a 1929 Model A Roadster, is in preparation for a new exhibit at Ford House celebrating the centennial of the Model T. The new exhibit, "Building on a Legend: Tin Lizzie's Successor," is open.

cluded in the regular admission.

## A Centennial lecture

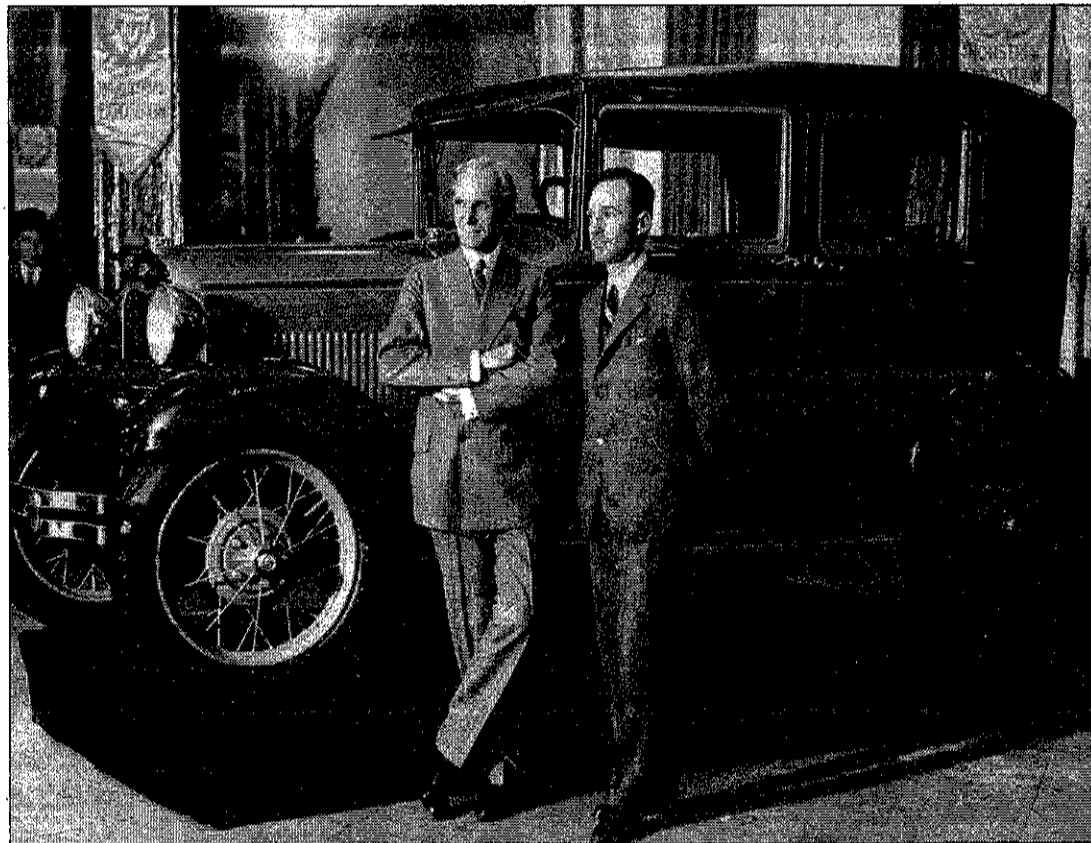
The Ford House and the Grosse Pointe Historical Society welcome Robert Casey, curator of transportation at The Henry Ford, and one of America's foremost Model T experts as he shares findings from his new book "The Model T: A Centennial History." At 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 21, Casey will talk about the remarkable history of the Model T, its development and long-lasting impact on America. His presentation will also look at the people who built the car, the consumers who purchased it and the profound technological leaps in mass production and mass consumption associ-

ated with it. The lecture is free, but reservations are suggested and can be made by calling (313) 884-4222.

## Year of the Car Information

The Ford House exhibit and lecture are being offered in support of 2008: Year of the Car, a summer-long auto tourism festival in southeastern Michigan providing residents and tourists many auto-themed attractions. Year of the Car launched in conjunction with National Transportation Week on May 10 and concludes with the Automotive Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies in early October.

In between, Year of the Car links more than 100 activities at nearly 60 different locations, giving residents and



Henry and Edsel Ford at the Model A introduction at the New York Industrial Exposition, 1928. Edsel & Eleanor Ford House is hosting a new exhibit, Building on a Legend: Tin Lizzie's Successor, a side-by-side look at the Model T and Model A. From the Collections of The Henry Ford.

tourists many never before offered automotive experiences.

Year of the Car is a collaborative effort being organized and sponsored by Motor Cities National Heritage Area, an affiliate of the National Park

Service, dedicated to preserving, interpreting and promoting the automotive heritage of Michigan.

Additional Year of the Car partners include the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors

Bureau, Travel Michigan, and dozens of organizations that celebrate automotive heritage throughout the region.

For more information on Year of the Car activities, visit [motorcities.org](http://motorcities.org).

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**11:00 am** Out of the Ordinary  
**11:30 am** Tech Pointes

**12:00 pm** Mayors' Prayer Breakfast  
**1:00 pm** Senior Men's Club  
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**2:30 pm** The Legal Insider  
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**6:00 pm** The Legal Insider  
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## Mad Scientists at War Memorial

Scientists as young as 3 years old can experiment with fun at Mad Science Camps held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial this summer.

Whether digging for fossils or exploring aerodynamics, young people will be mad for these camps where learning is disguised as fun. The interactive activities are designed to instill a clearer understanding of science and how it affects the world.

The camp programs are hands-on and innovative.

Different camps are offered to children aged 3-12 and include the Carnival of Science, Dinosaur Camp, Rockin' Rockets & Aerodynamics, Red Hot Robots, Forensic Crime Camp and Moving with Science.

The youngest campers attend half the day and 7-12 year olds attend for a full day.

Half day camps are for children aged 3-5.

The fee is \$120 for three classes which run from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday through Thursday and include:

Carnival of Science — July 15-17.

This camp covers gravity, in-

ertia, centripetal force and the role of heat in making cotton candy. Participants will discover optical illusions, create bubbling potions and have fun with mirrors, lasers and reflections.

Dinosaur Camp — July 22-24. Campers dig for dinosaur bones while learning about fossils, what dinosaurs ate, observing their different types of teeth and making a plaster cast of a real dinosaur tooth.

Full day camps for children aged 7-12 are held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The fee is \$260 for five classes and a light snack is provided. Campers are asked to bring a sack lunch.

### Camps offered are:

Rockin' Rockets & Aerodynamics — July 7-11. Explore the fundamentals of aerodynamics and find out how things fly. Experiment with solar bags and parachutes and build an Estes Mach 12 rocket, a kite, windsock, sundial and refracting telescope.

Red Hot Robots — July 28 - August 1. After a week of robotic science, kids will invent their own robot using recycled

materials. Participants must be entering second grade in the fall.

Forensic Crime Camp — Aug. 4-8. Campers use standard chemical reactions to figure out the contents of a mystery solution. Learn about the circulatory, respiratory, digestive, skeletal and muscular systems by building a model of the lungs.

A mock crime scene is examined and information is presented and sifted through to solve the crime in this camp of chemicals, cells and crime.

Moving with Science — Aug. 11-15.

Brew magical potions, create bath fizzers, make a geodesic dome and build a structure of bubbles in this camp of spells, potions and chemistry. Campers also make a catapult to learn the concepts of levers and pulleys and are introduced to zoetropes and thaumatrope.

Residents of all communities can attend the camps held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. To register for events and classes, call (313) 881-7511.

# SPORTS

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### BOYS GOLF

# North captures 5th straight title

## South gets two wins; takes second

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys golf team makes winning division dual meet titles look easy.

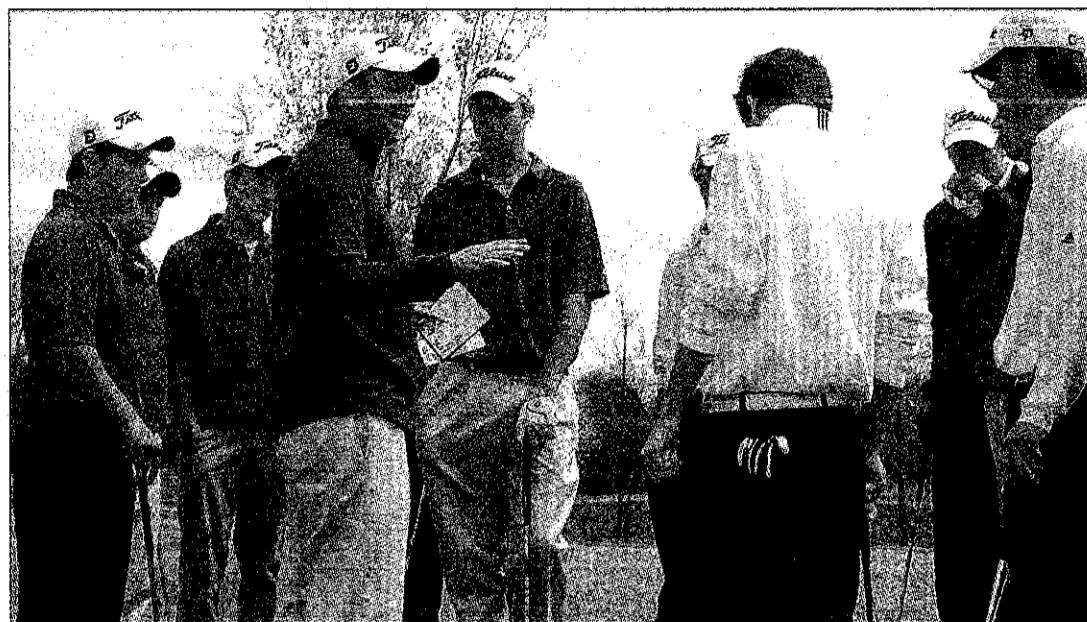
Last week, the Norsemen won their fifth straight Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet title, beating Romeo 152-166 at Romeo Golf Club Thursday, May 8.

"We were excited to win this title because we lost a couple of matches early in the season and had to scramble a bit to come back and win it," North head coach Brian Stackpoole said.

"This was a goal of ours and now it's on to the division tournament."

Senior Chris Zak was the medalist, shooting even par 36. The other scorers for the Norsemen were junior Robert Okonowski with a 38, junior Matt Jankowski with a 39 and senior Chris Hamilton with a 39.

"All of our guys shot some nice scores," Stackpoole said. "It wasn't easy, but the guys



Head coach Brian Stackpoole, center, talks to his Grosse Pointe North boys golf team members before they beat Romeo for a division dual meet title.

got the job done, winning some big matches during the second half of the dual meet schedule."

North finished its dual meet schedule 6-2 in the Red Division. Rival South was runner-up at 5-3, followed by Utica Eisenhower and Utica Ford at 4-4 and Romeo at 1-7.

The other members of the varsity golf team are freshman Steven Demers, Mike Gula, Zach Hanna and Christian Vervaeke; sophomores Jonathan, Freismuth, Andrew

Hastings and Eric Sandmair; and junior Juarin Kovacs.

### G.P. South

Grosse Pointe South's boys golf team finished its Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet schedule last week, beating Romeo and Utica Eisenhower.

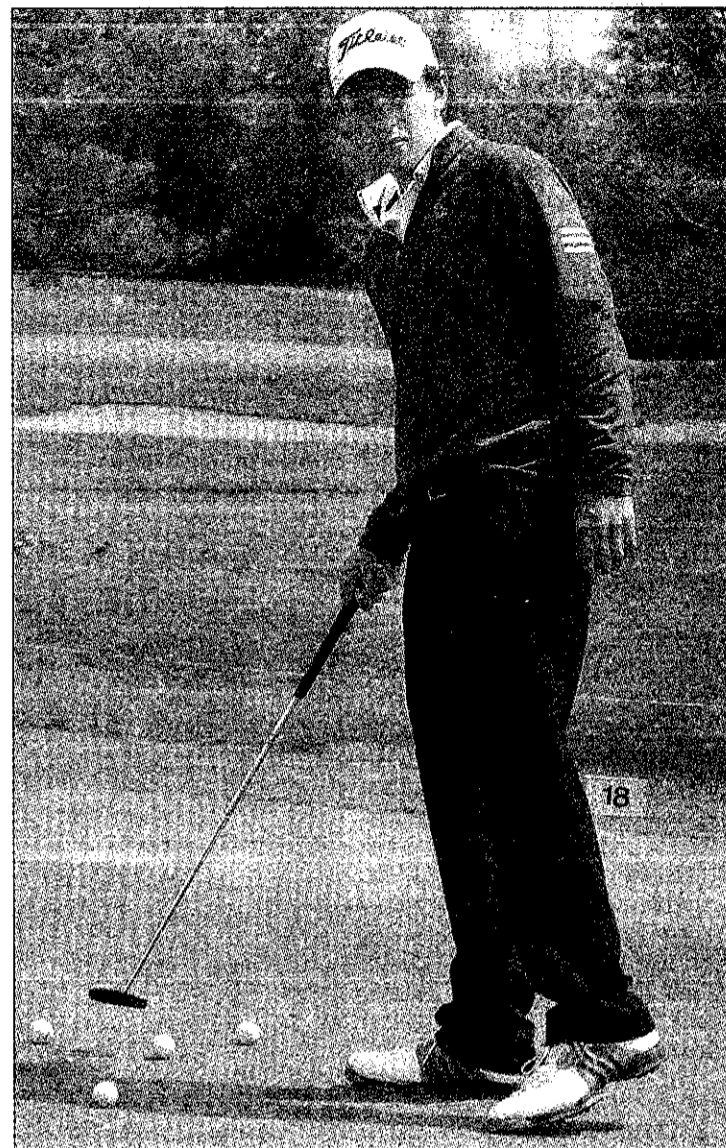
Leading the way for the Blue Devils were Tim Shield and Tom Pendy.

With the victories, the Blue Devils finished second in the division with a 7-3 mark, one

game behind rival Grosse Pointe North.

Head coach Doug Roby and his golfers will travel to The Meadows at Grand Valley University for the Red Division Tournament Friday, May 16.

"Our guys will have to play some good golf to win the division tournament, too," Stackpoole said. "Our division has some excellent golfers who will post some low scores. It will be a good tournament right before the state regionals."



Chris Zak gets in a few practice putts before teeing off. He was the medalist, posting a 36 in the victory.

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## Rivalries

## GIRLS LACROSSE

# South rips North in annual grudge match

North splits with city foes, beats ULS

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls lacrosse team dominated rival Grosse Pointe North last week, winning 16-6.

"The girls excelled at getting the ground balls, transitioning and using a more of a speed game to win," South head coach Lauren Germaine said. "This was our second straight solid effort and I can see the girls playing with more confidence."

"It was tough for us to battle back because we fell into a hole early in the game, which I didn't want to," North head coach Bill Seaman said. "Our past few games with South have been tight, but not this one."

The host Lady Blue Devils scored early and often, forcing the Lady Norsemen to play catch-up.

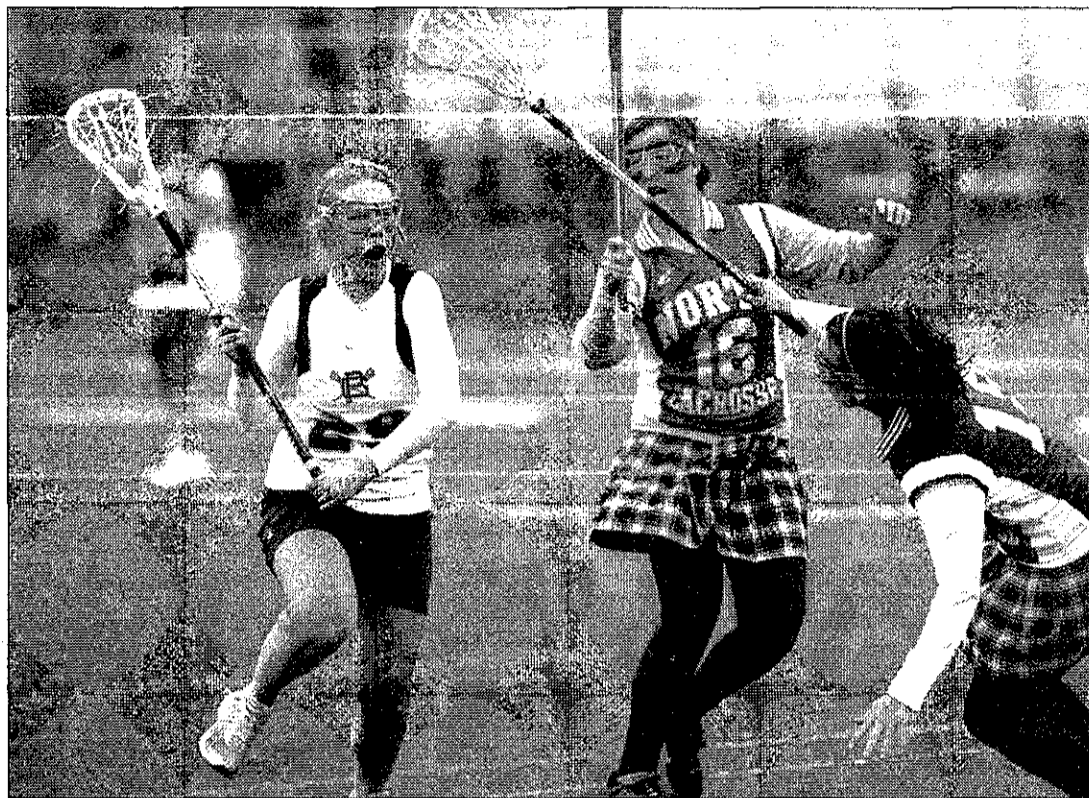
Alexa Quinlan and Molly Youngblood scored for North, cutting the deficit to 4-2 with 16:56 left in the opening half.

South scored six of the next eight goals to open a 10-4 halftime lead that would extend to double digits midway through the second half.

Germaine's squad had little trouble dissecting North's defense throughout the game as Annie Shepard, Ashley Thibodeau, Katherine Palms and Christine Greiner each scored three goals.

Other top offensive performers for the home team were Lindsey Thibodeau, Melissa Oddo, Torie Palfy and Anna Basse with a goal apiece.

For the Lady Norsemen, Quinlan and Youngblood had two goals apiece. Sarah Ulmer and Adrianna Badalamenti



Grosse Pointe South senior Annie Shepard, left, drives to the goal with Grosse Pointe North defenders in her wake.



Grosse Pointe North senior Lauren Nixon, No. 18, scored her lone goal in the first two minutes of the second half, giving the Lady Norsemen an 8-6 lead over host ULS.

scored the other tallies.

North battled its other city rival, University Liggett School, earlier in the week.

The Lady Norsemen had to come from behind in a 16-10 win.

"We definitely did not play up to our potential in that first half," Seaman said. "It seems as if the girls were always a step behind because ULS had us on our heels."

The host Lady Knights trailed 3-0 before rallying to take a 6-4 lead with 8:24 left in the opening half.

The Lady Norsemen came back to grab a 7-6 lead. Quinlan scored what turned out to be the winning goal with 1:58 left before the half.

"We played an outstanding first half, but ran out of gas in the second half," ULS girls lacrosse head coach Tamara Fobare said. "I'm proud of our

girls for playing hard against another tough opponent."

Anna Zinkel led the Lady Knights with four goals. Jacqueline Nicholas added three goals, while Liz Smith had two and Natalie Boll had one.

After a stern half-time chat, Seaman's squad turned up the heat in the second half, scoring early and often to pull away.

Badalamenti led the Lady Norsemen with four goals. Quinlan and Meredith Chicklas each scored three goals, while Youngblood had two. Other goal scorers were Lauren Nixon, Gillian Seaman, Rachel Hartigan and Cassie Scarfone with one apiece.

In other recent games, ULS

crushed Rochester, 16-6, and South edged Birmingham Detroit Country Day, 11-10.

The Lady Blue Devils built a 10-2 halftime advantage, but Country Day's Kat Kassel nearly rallied her team to a come-from-behind victory.

Palms scored twice in the win, while Greiner poured in four and Ashley Thibodeau had three tallies.

During a trip to Culver, Ind., the Lady Blue Devils beat Marian, Ill., 14-2, and lost 12-11 in double-overtime to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and 8-4 to Culver.

Grosse Pointe South stands 7-4 overall, while Grosse Pointe North is 5-5-1 and ULS is 2-7.



University Liggett School senior Jacqueline Nicholas, No. 8, scored a goal in the Lady Knights' loss to city rival Grosse Pointe North.

## GIRLS TENNIS

# South wins tourney title, North fourth

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The No. 1-ranked girls tennis team in the state, Grosse Pointe South, won the Macomb Area Conference Red Division Tournament Wednesday, May 7, earning 44 points.

Utica Eisenhower was second with 35.5, followed by Port Huron Northern with 23, Grosse Pointe North with 18.5 and St. Clair with 14.

"We had to shuffle our lineup a bit due to some nagging injuries, but overall our girls played some good tennis and won the tournament," said South head coach Mark Sobieralski.

South's Mary Chupa won the No. 1 singles flight, taking over for her ailing sister, Angela, who missed the tournament to rest her injury.

Sarah VanWallegghem won the No. 2 singles flight for the Lady Blue Devils, while Emily Lynch moved from her No. 5 doubles flight to win the No. 3 singles flight.

Alana Dickson, who was moved up from junior varsity, stepped in and won the No. 4 singles. During her run to the gold medal was a 6-0, 6-0 semifinal victory over her Port Huron Northern foe.

Among the Lady Blue Devils' doubles teams to win was the No. 5 tandem of Carla Schmidt and Diana Dodge, who beat their Utica Eisenhower foes.

"I was impressed with how well all of our girls played in the tournament," Sobieralski.

"South was very dominant, but I was proud of our girls for playing tough in every match," North head coach Matt Eszes said. "This competition will definitely get us ready for regionals."

Leading the way for the Lady Norsemen was the No. 1 dou-

bles team of Claire Mulier and Stephanie Schucker, who lost in the championship match.

In other action last week, North lost 6-2 to Troy Athens.

Mulier and Schucker won their match, as did No. 4 singles player Rachel Brusstar.

"We held our own against Athens and lost some tough three-set matches," Eszes said. "We had a chance to win this 5-3, but instead lost a tough 6-2 decision."

South won a quad match last weekend, beating Birmingham Detroit Country Day 9-0, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood 8-1 and Ann Arbor Huron 9-0.

Country Day and Cranbrook Kingswood are two of the top ranked teams in Division III, while Huron is ranked in the top 10 in Division I.

"The girls were all business in the quad match," Sobieralski said.

"They were focused when they arrived in the morning and played some very good tennis against three great teams.

"All of our girls were back in the lineup and everyone played well."

Some of the Lady Blue Devils' closest matches came against Cranbrook Kingswood.

Angela Chupa lost 7-6, 6-0. Sobieralski said she played well, but was a little rusty after not playing all week.

Mary Chupa won 6-2, 6-1 at No. 2 singles and Carolyn Chupa won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 singles. Sarah VanWallegghem lost her first set of the season, 3-6, but came back to win the match 6-2, 6-1.

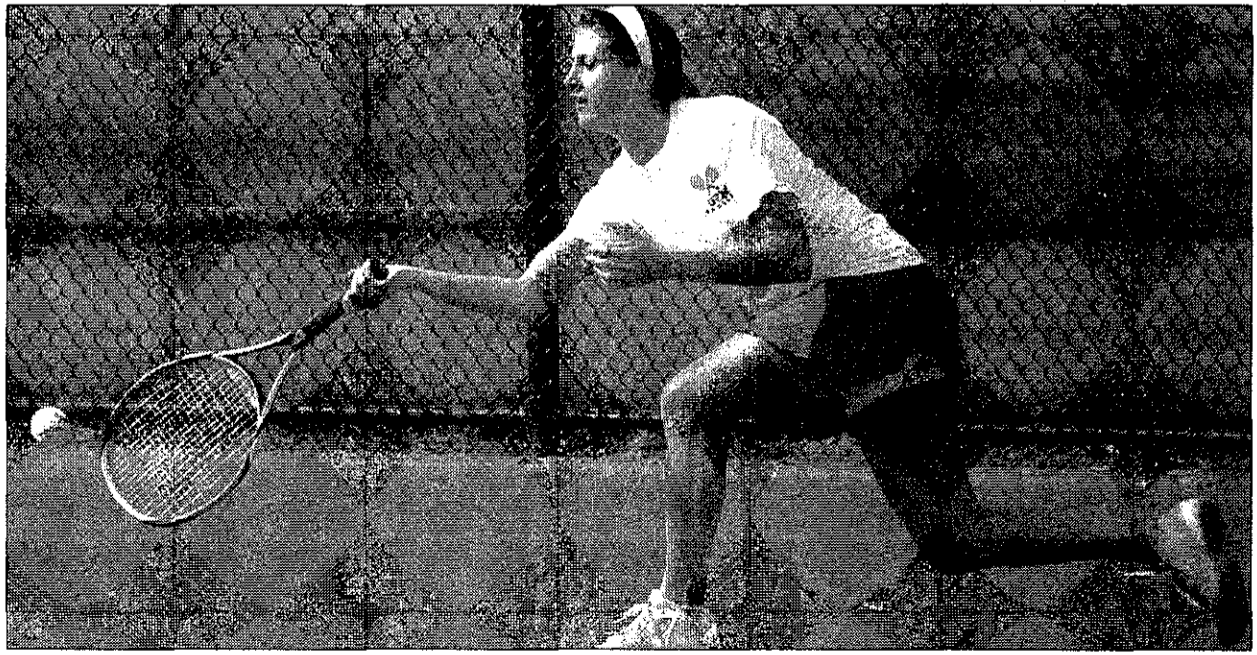
Melanie Capuano and Mary Kate Hayden won 6-3, 6-4 at No. 1 doubles, which was followed by Lizzie Hyde and Victoria Grams' 6-1, 6-3 win at No. 2 doubles.



Grosse Pointe South's Angela Chupa took a week off, resting an injury, before playing in a quad match last weekend against Birmingham Detroit Country Day, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and Ann Arbor Huron.

Kate Brennan and Julie Wittwer won 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 doubles; Molly Lynch and Stephanie Skau won 6-0, 6-3 at No. 4 doubles; and Emily Lynch and Dickson won 6-2, 6-1 at No. 5 doubles.

"Beating the No. 1 team in Division III, Cranbrook, was a big deal for us," Sobieralski said. "We had some tight matches, but were able to win them."



Grosse Pointe North's Lauren Gilezan played well in the division tournament and in a tough dual meet loss to her Troy Athens foe.



## Grosse Pointe South sports

## GIRLS SOCCER

## South plays Big Reds tough, but ties

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls soccer team began its second trek through the Macomb Area Conference Red Division

last week, tying Chippewa Valley 0-0.

"I thought we played better than in our previous match (a 3-0 loss to Sterling Heights Stevenson)," South head coach Gene Harkins said. "The girls

were more aggressive, but we're still having trouble scoring goals.

"A lack of scoring goals has been a struggle all year."

The host Lady Blue Devils dominated the game, outshooting the Big Reds 7-2. Several shots missed the net, coming within a foot or two of hitting the back of the net in the top of the goal.

Harkins' squad might have suffered a huge loss when Chelsea MacGriff left the game early the second half after what appeared to be a severe right shoulder injury.

"I hope Chelsea doesn't miss much time, but her injury seemed to be serious," Harkins said. "She would be a big loss, but that means someone will have to step in her shoes."

Emma Brush had several shots on net to lead the offensive charge, while goalkeeper Lauren Jacob had an easier time in net, thanks to solid defensive play by Stephanie Garbarino and Meryl Ethridge.

Before the game, Harkins called up Emily Flom and Sarah Ventimiglia from the junior varsity team.

"Our younger players did a nice job," Harkins said. "They will get a quick lesson about varsity soccer playing in the tough Red Division."

In other action, South lost 2-1 at Birmingham Groves and beat Utica Ford 2-0.

The visiting Lady Blue Devils trailed 1-0 at the half, prompt-



PHOTOS BY DR. J. RICHARD DUNLAP

Grosse Pointe South senior Laura Faiver, right, fights for a loose ball against Chippewa Valley's Mackenzy Hickener during a scoreless tie.



Junior Emma Brush, No. 12, delivers a header over Chippewa Valley's Nina Carter during the Lady Blue Devils' MAC Red Division contest.

ing Harkins to give his players a stern talk.

The talk worked as the Lady Blue Devils with more intensity in the second half, tying the match on a goal by Erika Kay with Katherine Bowman netting the assist.

Less than four minutes later, Groves scored the winning goal, despite South carrying the play in the second half.

In the Ford contest, the Lady Blue Devils continued their in-

tensity and outshot them 14-2 in a scoreless half.

Midway through the second half, Kay scored what turned out to be the winning goal.

Outside midfielders Katherine Corden and Stephanie McShane made quick, long runs with the ball before either shooting or passing.

Katie Lanza, Brush, Ana Harris and Meryl Ethridge were offensive threats with

Garbarino and Hannah Orlicki providing solid defense.

Other standouts were Nicole Stieber, Laura Faiver, Ellen Muniga, Chloe Kirchner, C.J. Jarboe, Flom and Ventimiglia.

Kay finished the scoring, tallying late in the second half. She helped South outshoot Ford 22-6.

Grosse Pointe South's girls soccer team stands 3-2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 5-9-1 overall.

## TRACK AND FIELD

## Duo set records

Grosse Pointe South junior Chelsea Gilbert broke the 1999 shot put record not once, but twice last week.

The previous mark of 36-feet, 6-inches was eclipsed against Birmingham Detroit Country Day by one inch and then surpassed Saturday at the Dakota Invitational by another inch.

Gilbert also came close to breaking a 1988 record of 112-feet in the discus. Her throw measured 105-feet.

"Chelsea had a superb week," said South girls head coach Steve Zaranek. "She has become extremely consistent this season and that is due to one thing, her tremendous work ethic."

"She is dynamic at what she does and she is a great teammate. Her best days are still to come."

Zaranek took 45 South girls to the invitational and they earned medals in 23 events, including multiple winners in 15 events.

Sophomore Katie Steen won first place in the long jump with a mark of 15-feet, 5 1/2-inches and Larissa Petrovic earned a medal with a mark of 14-feet, 10-inches. Steen also placed third in the 1,600-meter run.

The Lady Blue Devils also earned first-place finishes in several junior varsity events.

Tess Sheldon won the 1,600-meter run with a time of 5:59 and Emily Zhao won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:38.

Freshman Veronica Reeber won the 200-meter dash at 28.1 and other medal winners in the junior varsity events were Katie Lanza, Jane Harness, Bethany Cavanagh, Clare Conway, Chrissy Chatman, Katharine Schmidt, Ali Merritt, Harper Pizzimenti, Molly Robinson and Margaret Levasseur.

All three spring relay teams placed in the top six and included Kim Grambo, Amanda Ray, Christine Nelson, Megan DeBoer, Kathy Kosinski, Petrovic, Kathleen Nelson and Steen.

Distance runners captured three of the top five places in the 3,200-meter run as Jeannie Hollerbach was third at 12:14, Bridget Dennehy was fourth at 12:30 and Natalie Gay was fifth at 12:36.

Aniela Schacht had a season-best time of 1:30 in the 100-meter hurdles and earning another medal in the 300-meter hurdles.

Boys' head coach Werner Schienke said his runners



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

Grosse Pointe South's Chelsea Gilbert had quite a week, setting a school record in the shot put.

earned a host of medals at the Dakota Invitational.

Edwin Gay won the 3,200-meter run and broke the stadium record, as well as a new South varsity record, at 9:37. Jack Davies placed fourth in the same event, posting a regional qualifying time.

Phil Lewis took a third in the shot put with a personal best throw of 49-feet, 6-inches, and Mike Bellovich won a bronze medal in the 200-meter dash and a sixth-place medal in the 400-meter dash.

Vince Duscina and Flash Langenburg placed fourth and seventh, respectively, in the junior varsity 1,600-meter run, Schienke said.

Steve Fox won a silver medal in the freshman 800-meter run and freshman Connor Dixon placed seventh in the freshman mile.

Coming up for South's boys and girls track and field teams is a Class A regional meet Friday, May 16, on their home track.

—Bob St. John

## BOYS BASEBALL

## South diamond team in control

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys baseball team is inching closer to winning the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

Last week, the Blue Devils beat Fraser 8-4 and Port Huron Northern 10-1. Monday afternoon, they defeated Anchor Bay 9-2 to improve to 9-0 in the division.

"We were able to get a little cushion when (Grosse Pointe) North lost," said South head coach Dan Griesbaum. "We can clinch at least a share of the title with one more win."

Senior Tom Carion earned the win against Fraser, tossing four innings with three strikeouts and yielding only two hits.

Senior Max Pearson pitched the final three innings, striking out six and giving up one hit.

Offensively, junior John Hackett had two hits and two RBIs, while senior Lance Lucas drove in three runs without getting a hit. Senior Tom Remillet had two hits and an RBI and senior Ty Viarnes had two hits.

Others who drove in a run were seniors Chris Stephens and Michael Herzog.

Senior Mark Riashi was dominant on the mound against Northern, giving up four singles, walking one and striking out 14.

Stephens had a solo home run and senior Stephen Butterly blasted a two-run homer.

Hackett had two more hits and Lucas added two hits and an RBI.

Junior Matt Reck, senior Ben Muer and Viarnes also drove in runs.

Pearson earned the win against Anchor Bay, throwing five innings.

Carion pitched the final two innings.

"We're slowly getting everyone back from injury, which is just in time for districts," Griesbaum said.

The Blue Devils scored four runs in the opening inning, compliments of three walks,

*"We can clinch at least a share of the title with one more win."*

DAN GRIESBAUM,  
South baseball head coach

and put the game away with a three-run sixth inning.

In the sixth inning, the home team had only one hit, but benefitted from two errors, two wild pitches, two walks and one hit batsman.

Last weekend, the Blue Devils lost two of three games in the Blissfield Invitational.

They beat Troy 1-0 as sophomore Bobby Peltz struck out 11, walked two and gave up two hits.

South scored its run in the fifth inning when Pearson walked and Muer knocked him in with one of his two doubles.

"Peltz had great command of all of his pitches," Griesbaum said. "Our bats were quiet, but we were able to squeak out the win."

The Blue Devils lost 7-5 to Sturgis and 7-2 to Blissfield in its other games.

Junior Keith Sklarski pitched four innings and Herzog tossed the final three innings. Defensive lapses led to the loss.

In the second inning, the Blue Devils scored three runs as Carion walked and went to second after Riashi singled. They scored when senior Al Cytacki singled, went to second after the ball got under the outfielder's mitt and eventually came around to score when the second baseman airmailed the relay throw.

In the third inning, Pearson walked and scored on Herzog's double. He scored on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Carion.

Against Blissfield, Chris Shirar took the loss and Reck came on in relief, pitching four innings, striking out three.

Hackett had two singles, while Remillet, Lucas and Muer had one hit apiece.

South's baseball team improved to 15-7 overall.

## GIRLS SOFTBALL

## Barry pitches perfect game

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Senior Jen Barry threw a complete-game Monday, May 5, in a 5-0 victory over Port Huron.

"I don't how long ago it was since a South pitcher threw a perfect game," South softball head coach Brian McDonald said. "It's definitely been a long time."

Barry struck out five and junior catcher Morgan Bedan drove in two runs with a double. Aimee Abraham had a good game, going 2-for-3 with two singles, an RBI and a run scored.

"Jen struck out five; so 16 balls were put in play and the defense made every single



FILE PHOTO

Grosse Pointe South senior Jen Barry threw a perfect game against Port Huron, getting 21 straight outs.

play," McDonald said. "Jen used a great off-speed pitch to keep Port Huron off-guard. Only three balls could be said to have been hit hard."

In other division play, the Lady Blue Devils beat L'Anse

Creuse 6-1 and lost 2-0 to Lakeview.

"Beating Lakeview was our chance to get back into the league race," McDonald said. "Our girls are starting to play better and our aim is to better last year's 7-5 league mark with five games left to play."

South also played three games in the Jackson Tournament the weekend of May 3, winning one and losing two.

They beat Jackson Northwest 9-4 as sophomore Keely O'Connor earned the win. Freshman Emily Wybo had two hits and drove in five runs in the victory.

Last weekend, the Lady Blue Devils played another tournament, finishing 1-2.

## University Liggett School sports

## BOYS BASEBALL

## Knights win tournament, stay unbeaten

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's boys baseball team won its own tournament Saturday, May 10.

It was the Knights' first action in more than a week.

The Knights pounded Eastpointe East Detroit 11-0 in the championship game.

Patrick Gustine pitched five innings, giving up only three hits and striking out eight.

Offensively, Curtis Fisher, Tommy Graves, Dominic Jamett with two and Mike Thomas belted home runs, giving the Knights seven dingers in the doubleheader.

"It was our best hitting day of the season," said ULS head coach Dan Cimini. "If we get this consistent hitting to match our good pitching, we will be tough to beat."

In the consolation game,

Clintondale beat Allen Park Inter-City Baptist 8-5 and in one semifinal, East Detroit defeated Clintondale 2-1.

The Knights had no trouble disposing of Inter-City Baptist in the first game of the tourney, winning 10-0 in five innings.

Inter-City Baptist beat ULS in last year's quarterfinal game, denying them a chance to make the final four in Battle Creek.

"The guys were geeked to play Inter-City Baptist since they had a bad taste in their mouths after the quarterfinal loss last year," Cimini said. "It was nice to come away with a big win. Our guys played great."

Fisher earned the win, striking out eight and giving up only one hit. At the plate, Fisher hit two home runs.

The No. 1-ranked ULS baseball team improved to 16-0 overall.

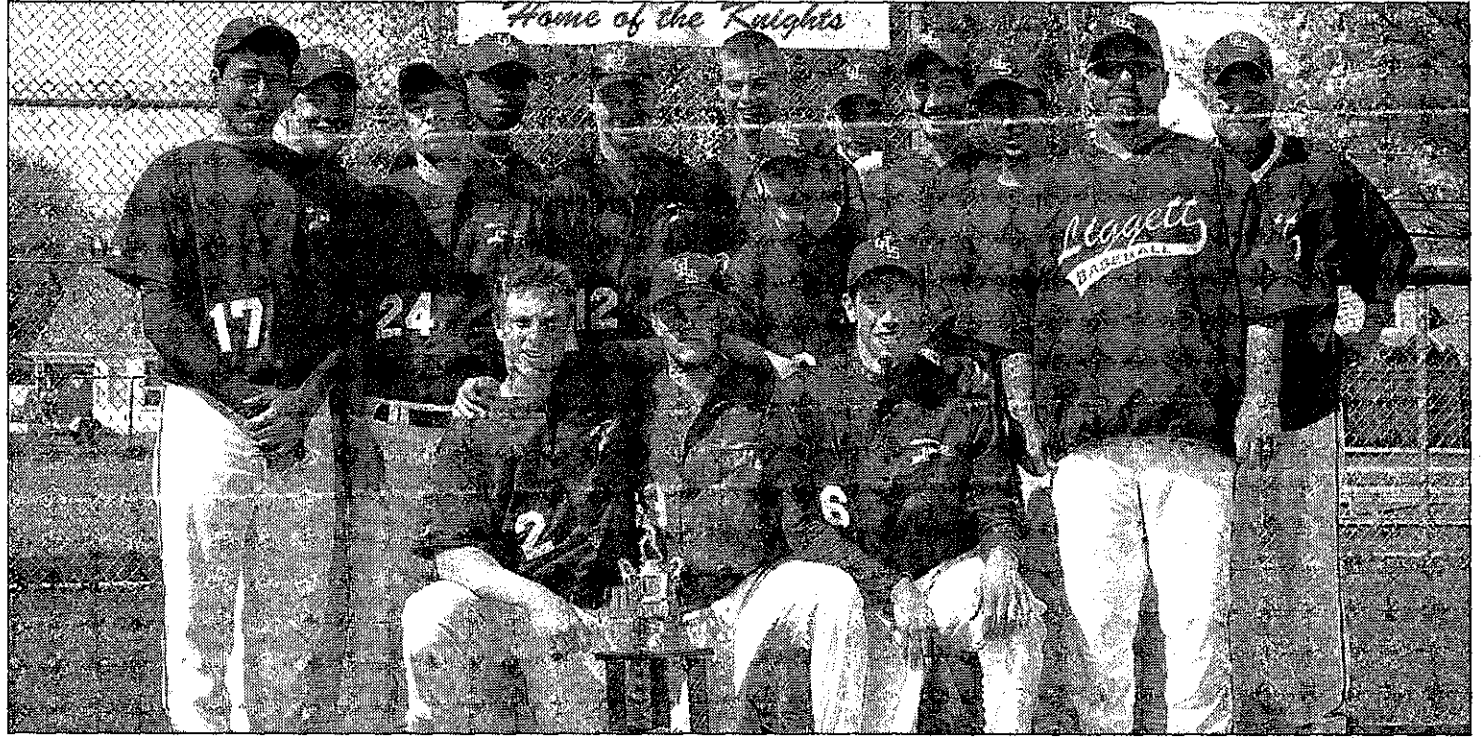


PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

The University Liggett School boys baseball team won its tournament last weekend, beating Allen Park Inter-City Baptist in the semifinals and Eastpointe East Detroit in the finals.

## CO-ED GOLF

## ULS takes 5th

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's Marc Hames posted an 81, tying for fourth place, in last week's Metro Conference Tournament at Westwynd Golf Course in Rochester.

With the fourth-place finish, Hames earned first team all-conference honors.

The ULS co-ed golf team was fifth in the tournament. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood won and Macomb Lutheran North was second.

"Marc shot a nice round on a very tough course," ULS head golf coach Dan Sullivan said. "Our kids really had to focus on keeping the ball on the fairway because once the ball went into the rough, it was very



PHOTO BY DAN SULLIVAN

University Liggett School golfers, from left, John George and Marc Hames shot the team's lowest scores at the Metro Conference Tournament.

hard to get to the green."

The Knights' other top scorers were John George and Jacob Dombrowski.

"We have a few more matches ahead of us before the district tournament," Sullivan said. "It will give our kids a few more rounds under their belt before the pressure of the state

districts."

The Knights will compete in a Division IV district tournament Friday, May 23, at Liberty Golf Course.

ULS' competition includes Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Birmingham Roper, Burton Faith, Detroit Marvin L. Winans Academy, Marine City

Cardinal Mooney, Novi Franklin Road Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, Royal Oak Shrine, Southfield Christian, Warren Macomb Christian, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, Westland Huron Valley Lutheran and West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy.

## GIRLS SOCCER

## Long bus rides yield results

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

After playing a grueling schedule on the road last week, the University Liggett School girls soccer team will sleep well.

The Lady Knights traveled to Macomb Lutheran North Thursday, May 8, losing 3-0. On Saturday, May 10, they traveled to Lake Fenton to play three shortened games.

"The girls played a lot of soccer the past few days and they're tired," coach David Backhurst said. "They did a great job despite the fact we don't have a large bench."

The Lady Knights fell behind 2-0 to the Mustangs as the home team scored a goal two minutes into the opening half and added another eight minutes in.

"That was the worst case scenario," Backhurst said. "We wanted to get off to a fast start, but instead it was Lutheran North that scored two early ones."

"I think we outplayed North for the most part, but those two early goals were too much to overcome."

The Mustangs were able to score on two breakaways and tallied an insurance goal with 12 minutes left in the second half.

Rachel Goldberg had a goal disallowed after an official said she was offside.

The Lady Knights outshot the Mustangs 16-10.

In the mini-tournament, opening game, ULS beat Howell 3-2 in a shootout.

Goldberg made crossing passes to Meredith Quinlan, who buried both shots past the goalkeeper. She scored a goal in each half.

Tournament rules prohibited overtime and said a game that was tied at the end of regulation time would immediately go to a shootout.

"We haven't fared too well in shootouts in our history, losing some tough regional playoff games in shootouts," Backhurst said.

Goldberg and Charlotte Waldmeir scored on the Lady Knights' first two shots and missed on the next three.

In their five attempts, Howell missed two, scored two and goalkeeper Alex Boll made a save on the fifth shot.

"The girls asked me to let Alex take our sixth shootout attempt," Backhurst said.

Boll buried the shot past the goalkeeper and came right back to make the game-winning save.

In their next game, the Lady Knights lost 2-1 to Lake Fenton as the host squad scored with 11 seconds left in the game.

Sarah Altimore, who was

called up from the junior varsity game to play in the tournament, scored the Lady Knights' goal off a rebound from Paige Counsman's shot.

Counsman started the play deep in ULS' defensive zone before making a 60-yard run and got a shot on net, which rebounded right to Altimore's foot.

"It was a tough loss, but I could see the girls getting a little tired," Backhurst said. "They played a strong game."

ULS ended the tourney with a 2-1 shootout win over Swartz Creek.

"We were back on our heels throughout the game, but somehow the girls had enough left in the tank to pull out a big win," Backhurst said.

Down 1-0, the Lady Knights tied the game when Altimore gave a perfect feed to Goldberg who scored.

Goldberg and Boll scored in the shootout and it was Counsman who won the game with her shootout goal on the sixth attempt.

Boll made another game-winning save to send the Lady Knights home with two wins in three games.

"It was a long day, but winning two out of three against some tough competition is great," Backhurst said.

The University Liggett School girls soccer team fell to 4-3 in the Metro Conference, but improved to 8-5 overall.

## GIRLS TENNIS

## Vatsis wins at No. 1 singles

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Host University Liggett School girls' tennis team placed second in last week's Metro Conference Tournament.

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood easily won the title, winning seven of the eight flights against ULS.

The Lady Knights did earn one flight victory when Cat Vatsis won a thrilling three-hour, three-set match, 2-6, 7-5, 7-6.

"It came down to being mentally tough," Vatsis said. "I'm very happy to win the gold medal against a good opponent. It's a wonderful moment."

Other Lady Knights who earned points in the tournament were Jamie Bow, Claire Perrachio, Sophie Mair, Sarah McCuish, Julia Brennan, Kate Shannon, Morgan Ellis, Nicole Smith, Medea Shanidze, Sarah Pollic and Ellie Ottaway.

Earlier in the week, the Lady Knights lost 6-2 to Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

They won at No. 4 singles and No. 4 doubles.

"The girls had quite the week, playing two of the best teams in the state on back-to-back days and then facing Cranbrook in our conference tournament," head coach Cathy Hackenberger said. "This will definitely get the girls ready for the state regionals."

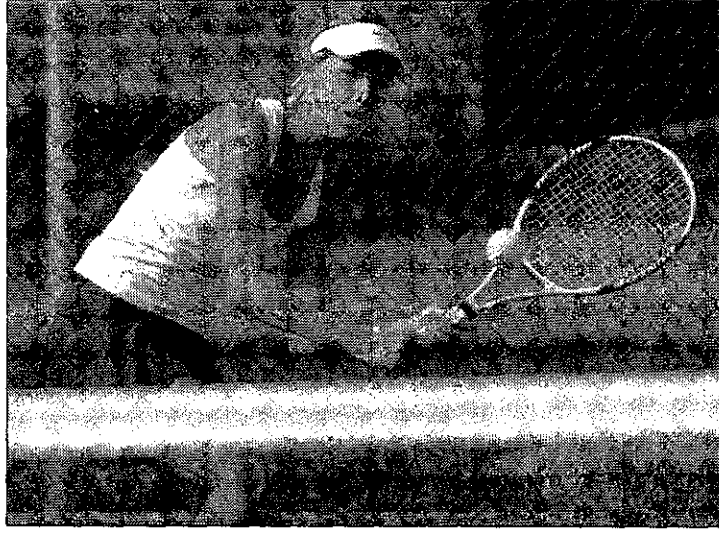


PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Cat Vatsis won the gold medal at the Metro Conference Tournament's No. 1 singles flight, winning a three-hour marathon, 2-6, 7-5, 7-6.

## GIRLS SOFTBALL

## ULS splits conference games

University Liggett School's girls softball team powered past Harper Woods 9-0 last week.

"Strong pitching, solid hitting and errorless defense finally came together at the same time," ULS girls softball head coach Jim Schmidt said.

Taylor Brown tossed her second straight shutout, striking out eight and giving up only three singles. She also assisted on two putouts at first base and recorded three un-

sisted putouts.

With this performance, Brown lowered her ERA to 0.94.

The host Lady Knights got all the runs they would need in the bottom of the first inning.

Brown drew a one-out walk and scored after consecutive singles by Danielle Vespa and Ke'Ana Bryant.

In the second frame, freshmen Carrie Chouinard and Kinaya Smith each drew a

walk, stole second base and scored on sacrifices to give the Lady Knights a 4-0 lead.

Bryant tripled in the third inning and scored on Kristin Peterson's single.

Megan Amicucci and Janaya Gripper singled and another sacrifice hit by Smith brought three more runs.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, Smith led off with a single and scored on Brown's double to provide the final run of the game.

The Lady Knights clinched at least a tie for the Metro Conference regular season title, which would be their first since joining the league more than a decade ago.

In their regular season conference finale, the Lady Knights lost 10-0 to host Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

ULS' softball team finished 7-1 in the Metro Conference and regular season co-champions.

## BOYS LACROSSE

## Knights split

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's boys lacrosse team split its games last week, losing 9-4 to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and beating Grosse Ile 18-4.

"We flat out didn't play up to our potential against Cranbrook," said ULS head coach Chris Hartley. "It was a disappointing effort. I really think we have the team that can beat Cranbrook, but we have to play much better than we did."

Steve Coval and Mike Burchi scored two goals apiece to lead the host Knights.

Hartley's squad rebounded to blast Grosse Ile for a second time this season.

Mike McCoy had four goals and Coval added three goals and three assists.

ULS stands 9-2 overall.

## Grosse Pointe North sports

## GIRLS SOCCER

## Division action

Grosse Pointe North's Alli Everett, right, fights for the ball against Chippewa Valley's Mackenzey Hickner during a recent MAC Red Division battle. In recent division action, the Lady Norsemen beat Utica Ford 2-1 and lost 7-0 to Utica Eisenhower.



PHOTO BY DR. J. RICHARD DUNLAP

## TRACK AND FIELD

## North squads remain unbeaten

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls and boys track and field teams won their league dual meet against Anchor Bay last week, setting up a showdown with Romeo for the title.

The girls won 94-43 and the boys were 81-56 winners to help each squad improve to 5-0 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

"We were able to win all four relays and take first in both hurdle events and the sprints," said North girls head track coach Charles Buhagiar.

Freshman Micala Liddane had a solid meet, winning the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs, while Krystal Bush, won the 100-low hurdles and 300-high hurdles to lead the Lady Norsemen.

For the boys, Paul Bramos won the 400-meter run with a time of 50.9 and Adam Divine was second at 52.8.

"We are running very well and all of our boys are contributing points," said North

head boys track coach Pat Wilson.

Jack Poole won the discus with a throw of 134-feet, which is the second-best ever mark for a junior at North.

Paul Johnson won the high and low hurdles and Blest Norris was first in the 100- and 200-meter dashes.

De'Rhon Pines won the high jump and long jump and the 4 X 100-meter relay team of Theron Carter, Jamari Henderson, Darius Wilcox and Norris placed first.

In addition, the 4 X 400-meter relay squad of Divine, Dan Surmont, Sean Bourke and Bramos took first place.

Last weekend, the boys' squad competed in the Dakota Invitational, a non-scored meet run like the state finals.

"This meet gave the kids one more chance to qualify for the state finals and get ready for the regionals," Wilson said. "Our kids ran very well."

Norris set a meet record with a time of 10.9 in the 100-meter dash and the 4 X 200-

meter relay team of Divine, Carter, Bramos and Norris set a meet record.

Bramos won the 400-meter dash at 50.7.

Other top runners for North were Mark Balle in the 1,600-meter run (fifth place with a personal record), Matt VanEgmond in the 1,600-meter run (eighth place with a personal record), Carter in the 100-meter dash (fourth), Surmont in the 800-meter run (third with a personal record), Bourke in the 800-meter run (fifth with a personal record), Paul Chabot in the pole vault (third), Wilcox in the long jump (seventh), Andrew Horne in the high jump (fifth) and Andrew Charnesky in the 300-meter hurdles (eighth).

The 4 X 100-meter relay team of Travis McCurrie, Javon Jordon, Wilcox and James Mason finished fifth.

Junior varsity runners also competed in the meet. Leading the way was Corey Rapala in the 1,600-meter run; McCurrie in the 200-meter dash; Mason in the 200-meter

dash; and Forest Carmer in the 800-meter run.

The girls and boys will compete at Romeo Tuesday, May 13, for the division title. Results are past deadline and will be in the May 22 issue.

Coming up for North is a Class A regional meet Friday, May 16, at Grosse Pointe South.

The girls are looking to win a third straight regional meet.

"We're aiming to repeat as champs and see if we can send as many runners (14) to the state finals as we had last year," Buhagiar said.

"We feel pretty good heading into the regionals," Wilson said. "We should do a nice job, but you never know how good the competition will be."

## BOYS BASEBALL

## Diamond squad drops to 2 back

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys baseball team is two games behind rival Grosse Pointe South in the Macomb Area Conference White Division standings.

Last week, the Norsemen won two of three division games, beating Anchor Bay 6-1 and L'Anse Creuse North 7-1, and losing 10-0 to Fraser.

"We're two games behind South; so we have some room to make up," said North head coach Frank Sumbera.

Junior Josh Cok earned the win against Anchor Bay, giving up only three hits, walking one and striking out 14.

"Josh rebounded nicely from the outing against North," Sumbera said. "He really pitched a good game."

Senior Robert Briski had two hits and an RBI to pace the Norsemen's offensive attack. Six different players had an RBI.

In the North victory, sophomore Nate Lewis was the winning pitcher, giving up only two hits in five innings. He also knocked in two runs.

Junior Kevin Remus pitched the final two innings and did not give up a hit.

The Norsemen were held to only two hits, both by senior Tim Tibaud, in the lopsided loss to Fraser.

"Their top pitcher was throwing very well," Sumbera said. "He had us off-balance as we had only a couple of hits. That kid did a nice job against us."

The loss leaves North's baseball team 6-2 in the Macomb

Area Conference White Division.

Last weekend, North hosted Clio in a doubleheader, winning 9-8 and 11-5, improving to 20-6 overall.

In the first game, Tibaud was the winning pitcher, striking out four. Offensively, senior Nick Cullen was 4-for-4 with two homers and three RBIs and senior Phil Dilone was 3-for-4 with a homer, a double and two RBIs.

North won the game in the bottom of the seventh inning by getting eight consecutive hitters on base.

In the nightcap, junior Brett Reardon earned the win, striking out four. He received plenty of support from senior Chris Vens (3-for-3 with a double and an RBI), sophomore Marc Palazzolo (two hits), Tibaud (two-run homer), Dilone (4-for-4 with a double and three RBIs) and junior Aaron Cisco (3-for-4 with an RBI).

North's baseball team also competed in a tournament two weekends ago, winning two of three.

It opened with a 14-0 pasting of Traverse City West with Vens picking up the win, striking out three and collecting two hits and two RBIs at the plate.

Briski chipped in with a double, a homer and four RBIs and Tibaud had two hits and two RBIs.

Next up was an 18-8 victory over Rogers City. Palazzolo earned the win as Lewis had three hits and three RBIs.

Their final game was a 4-1 loss to Alpena. Senior Pat Oliver pitched well, but suffered the loss and Dilone had two hits and the lone RBI.

## GIRLS SOFTBALL

## Lady Norsemen fall in tourney championship

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

It's been a long road for Grosse Pointe North's girls softball team in 2008.

A slew of newcomers to head coach Bill Taylor's varsity squad took their lumps during the first half of the season.

Playing some of the toughest competition in the area has helped the team improve, which was evident during last weekend's trio of tournament games.

"We knew it would be a slow start, but the girls are gaining confidence," Taylor said. "It's been fun to see the improvement with each week."

The Lady Norsemen beat Utica Ford II 9-2 and L'Anse Creuse 5-0 before losing 4-1 to Romeo in the championship game.

Junior Katie Martin earned the win against Ford, getting plenty of offensive support from senior Emily Bantien (2-for-3 with two singles) and senior Rachael Lentz (2-for-4 with a triple and three RBIs).

In the L'Anse Creuse game, Bantien was the winning pitcher, getting her first shutout of the season.

Lentz was 3-for-4 with a triple and junior Teresa Nagel was 3-for-4 with three RBIs.

Junior Samantha Matthew chipped in with two hits

against L'Anse Creuse and had a double in the loss to Romeo.

"It was a pretty solid game by both teams," said assistant coach Amanda Pata. "It was nice to play in the tournament championship game."

Another example of North's improvement was a 6-5 nine-inning loss to state-ranked St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

"We had a chance to win this game," Taylor said. "I think we surprised Lake Shore."

"It was nice to see our girls play so well against a very good team."

North's girls softball team stands 1-5 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 6-16 overall.

## NORTH AND SOUTH CO-ED SAILING

## Sailing teams earn accolades

Grosse Pointe North's co-ed sailing team placed second in the Baker Trophy Qualifier May 3 and 4.

Lake Forest won, while Loyola was third.

It was a team racing event where three boats sail against three other boats from another team.

"Grosse Pointe North sailed well enough on Saturday to qualify for the gold fleet," North head coach Brad Restum said.

On Sunday, North sailed a double round-robin that included the top four teams

from the first round.

The Norsemen's teams were Brady Savage, Katie Bill and Michael Seago; Chris Bill and Karinne Marcolini; Kelly Seago and Scott Stevens; and Will Cyr and Eric Pomber.

Grosse Pointe South's sailing team has placed in the top four in two regattas this season.

It was second in the High School Invitational and fourth in the Mallory Qualifier. Both regattas were hosted by the Chicago Yacht Club.

"We have an extremely talented team, but they are still

young compared to others," South head coach JB Shumaker said. "We stared two sophomores on varsity as skippers."

South placed seventh and ranked No. 5 out of 24 teams in its district. Ian Hollerback, Sarah Somes, Brooke Lyon and Spencer Colpaert finished second overall during an event held April 12.

Other leaders for the Blue Devils' sailing team were Steve Jones and Anthony Corio, the team's No. 2 team.

— Bob St. John

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## GIRLS LACROSSE

# Middle school travel program on track

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe Middle School girls lacrosse is holding its own.

Despite having a "home" field in Auburn Hills and driving to Oakland County for games, the All-American Patriots girls lacrosse team is in full swing.

"This group of girls is dedicated to playing lacrosse so they can hone their skills to be good high school players," said team co-representative Mike Naber.

The club program started in 2006 with the support of the Neighborhood Club, which extended to a second year.

"The Neighborhood Club bit off more than it can chew; so they decided not to back us this year," Naber said. "Luckily, we were able to get an association with All-American Lacrosse."

"I want to get some local support here in the Pointes because it's tough for our girls who live here to travel out to Auburn Hills three times per week for practices and games."

This year's Patriots squad members are Sara Ellis, Libby Griffith, Evelyn Jagger, Jessica



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The All-American Patriots girls middle school lacrosse travel team has 16 players, 12 of which reside in the Grosse Pointes.

Leininger, Kelsey MacConnachie, Chelsea Merrill, Jaqueline Miller, Natalie Miller, Jenna Morris, Eliza Mott, Christine Naber, Mackenzie Novak, Mackenzie

Paddock, Jennifer Ryan, Margaret Hern and Bridgette Champagne.

Ed Chima is the All-American Lacrosse representative. The coaches are Ashley

Krisfalusi, Keriann Stensen and Hillary Petcoff. The other parent representative is Diane MacConnachie.

"I would like to see this program continue next year and

for years to come because the girls use this as a springboard to succeed at the high school level," Naber said.

The squad began practice in April and played its first two

games last week.

In the opener, a 6-2 loss to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, Griffith and Novak scored. Naber chipped in with seven steals and Hern was solid in net.

The Patriots' second game was a 4-3 win over Waterford as Mott scored the game-winner, her second of the contest, with 2:30 left on the clock. Ryan and Morris scored the other goals.

Hern made a spectacular save with a minute left to preserve the victory, evening the Patriots' record at 1-1.

"The girls on the team have lacrosse experience; so our job is to hone their skills," Naber said. "This program is good for the girls."

At the end of May, the Patriots will compete in the Lax Jam at Cranbrook Kingswood. There will be 30 other teams competing.

"This Lax Jam is the biggest event of the lacrosse season for players across the area," Naber said. "The competition is very strong."

Those interested in the girls middle school travel lacrosse program, can e-mail Naber at mjnaber6@yahoo.com.

## BOYS LACROSSE

## South drops two of three

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys lacrosse team blew a six-goal lead, losing 11-9 to L'Anse Creuse Friday, May 9.

"We were on a roll in the first quarter and got that big lead," South head coach Don Wolford said. "I think our

guys got a little complacent and didn't play up to their potential in the final three quarters.

"There is no excuse to give up a lead like we had."

During the seven-goal outburst, senior Evan Welch got it started with a goal 30 seconds into the game.

The Lancers tied it with a

goal nearly one minute later, but the Blue Devils scored the next five goals.

Seniors Alex Langton and Garrett Cox scored two goals apiece and senior Sam Mott had one.

The Lancers scored to creep back to within four goals, but Langton tallied late in the quarter to make it a 7-2 game.

Welch scored early in the second period, giving the home team an 8-2 lead.

L'Anse Creuse slowly crept back into the game, scoring the next four goals to make it 8-6 at the half.

The comeback was complete after the Lancers outscored the home team 4-0 in the third stanza to take a 10-8 advantage.

It was 11-8 before senior Kyle Drummond scored with 5:16 left to make it interesting.

"We couldn't get anything



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe South's Alex Langton, left, scored two goals in the loss to L'Anse Creuse.

going after that initial outburst in the opening quarter," Wolford said. "L'Anse Creuse changed its defenses, but overall I thought we just didn't play the rest of the game with the intensity we had in the first quarter. That has happened a few times this sea-

son."

In other action last week, the Blue Devils defeated L'Anse Creuse North 14-8 and lost 13-3 to state power Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"The guys came out and played very well against L'Anse Creuse North,"

Wolford said. "Our defense was good and the offense put a lot of shots in the net.

"Against Pioneer, I knew we were in for a tough battle. Pioneer is solid from top to bottom."

South's boys lacrosse team stands 8-7 overall.

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## BOYS LACROSSE

## North cruises past L'Anse Creuse

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys lacrosse team is gearing up for what hopefully will be a long run in the upcoming state playoffs.

Last week, the Norsemen beat L'Anse Creuse 13-7 and lost 9-8 in overtime to Flint

Powers.

"We really played well at both ends of the field against L'Anse Creuse," said North head coach Dan Preston. "It was a nice win and we should have had a win over Powers, but a lack of patience late in the game cost us."

In the first game, junior Ian LaValley had six goals, while

junior Joe Youngblood had three.

Juniors Brandon Davenport and James Tocco scored two goals apiece to back up winning goalkeeper, junior Nick Rochte.

The Norsemen led Powers 8-5 late in the fourth quarter before the Chargers rallied to tie it.

"We had some shots on net late in that game, but I don't think we were patient enough on attack," Preston said. "I wanted to eat some time, but the guys wanted to keep up the fast-paced action, which we didn't need at that time."

"It was a nice win." North's boys lacrosse team is 8-5 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Baseball team slates car wash

Don't forget alumni game

Grosse Pointe South varsity boys baseball head coach Dan Griesbaum would like to see a lot of clean cars driving around the Pointes this Sunday, May 18.

Griesbaum and his players are holding their annual fundraising car wash from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 18, at Fifth Third Bank, 66 Kercheval, on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"This is really important to our program in terms of being able to provide the necessary equipment and facilities that enable us to be one of the top programs in the state," Griesbaum said. "Less and less of our budget comes from the school system and we need to

supplement even more than in the past."

There is no set fee for the car wash. Donations are accepted.

**Alumni game**

The Grosse Pointe South third annual alumni baseball game is at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 17, at Kerby Field.

The game is part of a big day of baseball at Kerby. Following the alumni game, the Grosse Pointe Invitational will be held at Kerby's baseball field and Grosse Pointe North.

The invitational features four of the state's top teams — South, North, Sterling Heights Stevenson and Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

At 11 a.m., South faces Stevenson at Kerby and North takes on Country Day at North.

At 1 p.m., South faces

Country Day at Kerby and North battles Stevenson at North.

At 3 p.m., South battles North at North and Country Day faces Stevenson at Kerby.

## Golf outing scheduled

The 2008 Meli/Ciaramitaro Memorial Scholarship Golf Outing is set for Saturday, May 31, at St. Clair Shores Golf Club.

The college scholarships are awarded annually to two senior athletes at Grosse Pointe North High School.

The fee is \$500 per foursome or \$125 per golfer. Those looking for a partner can contact Joe Ellis at [jellis9229@hotmail.com](mailto:jellis9229@hotmail.com).

The event is 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at the turn and on-course beverages (beer,

pop and more) is provided. A buffet dinner immediately follows the golf event and an open bar is provided.

To make reservations, make checks and/or donations payable to The Grosse Pointe North Meli/Ciaramitaro Scholarship Fund, Joe Ellis, 1520 Edmundton, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Tickets for just the dinner and drinks are available for \$45 each.

Contact Ellis at (248) 721-5755 or via e-mail or Sharon Arley at (313) 347-1348.

## INDIANAPOLIS 500

# Life in the fast lane

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

SPEEDWAY, Ind. — Robbie Buhl stood in the morning sun atop a 3-foot cement wall lining the inside of pit lane at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

He squinted up the track trying to see around turn four, more than 1/2 mile away. He raised his right hand high and, palm inward, described a smooth arc from right to left across and down the front of his body.

Anywhere else, the gesture could have been a gentle wave of invitation. But this is the Brickyard. Its May 10 and the Indianapolis 500 is just 15 days away.

Buhl wasn't inviting. He was urging the least experienced member of his three-driver race car team to pick up the pace.

There were only minutes of practice time remaining before qualifying began at noon for the first 11 out of 33 spots in the 92nd annual Indy 500.

The driver, Milka Duno of Venezuela, peeled around the turn and into the pits. She stopped and shut off her red and white No. 23 Citco Honda Dallara.

Crew members from the ranks of aerospace and mechanical engineers swarmed the car. They recorded tire temperatures and downloaded engine data for on-site computer analysis.

Other mechanics placed soaking wet bath towels over the rear side cowings to protect the carbon fiber body from heat radiating off the exhaust headers.

Buhl stepped down from the wall and stood in front of the car.

"When you qualify," Buhl told Duno over the team radio, "you want to be down on the white line in the corners. You were too high by three feet, a tire width."

"The rear (of the car) was a little light," Duno radioed back.

Her South American accent and soft voice was easier to understand without the 650-horsepower V-8 rumbling inches behind her headrest.

Duno was unhappy with a relatively minor 100-pound spring change the crew made to the rear suspension prior to her latest five-lap dash around the 2-1/2 mile circuit. The change was meant to lower the rear of the car, reduce aerodynamic drag, help it turn and, more than anything, increase speed.

"I feel they loosened the balance (of the car)," she radioed.

"The car may not always be perfect," cautioned Buhl, a veteran of eight Indys and front-row starter in 2002. "You're going to have to drive through some stuff. There's give and take."

There's also nothing gentle about getting ready to qualify at more than 220 mph around the mecca of American open wheel racing.

"If it's not scary in qualifying, you're not going fast enough," said Buddy Rice, 32, pole-to-checker winner of the 1994 Indy and Buhl's top driver for Dreyer & Reinbold Racing.

## Teammates

Buhl grew up in Grosse

Pointe Farms. He co-owns the team with Dennis Reinbold, who grew up less than a mile from where the track located, not in Indianapolis, but in the small western suburb of Speedway.

This is Rice's second year as driver of D&R's No. 15 Honda Dallara. A Phoenix native, Rice is known to button up a Bachrach jacket and pull down a wool ski cap when temperatures drop below 55 degrees.

Duno, 36, is a team rookie with one Indy 500 on her resume. Most of her accomplishments have been in road racing, where tracks are twisty and speeds much lower than on ovals. With Duno's victory in the 2004 Grand-Am Rolex Sports Car Series Daytona Prototype race at Homestead, Fla., she became the first woman to win a major international sports car race in North America.

Off the track, she has graduate degrees in naval architecture, maritime business and marine biology and organizational development and, she has had modeling gigs in Vogue and Esquire and plays the role of Kellie Gearbox in the current Warner Brothers movie "Speed Racer."

Also new to the team this year is Townsend Bell, 33, of San Francisco. At 5-foot-11, Bell is giant for a modern Indy car driver.

"I came to the team through a relationship with Robbie," Bell said. "We tried to work something out a couple times through 2007. This year, the timing was right."

Bell drives the William Rast Racing No. 99, sponsored mainly by a clothing company owned partly by singing star Justin Timberlake.

## Common threads

Bell ran the 2006 Indy 500 and, like Buhl, attended his first race at the Brickyard as a boy accompanied by his father.

"It was a big trip and lasting memory," Bell said.

The Speedway's shape and 12-degree banking in the turns hasn't changed since it was built in 1909.

"It's a racetrack totally unique and specific to Indy car racing," Bell said. "Our cars have evolved from this track. Everywhere else we race, essentially, our cars adapt to the track. This track generated these cars. That's what's really neat for me coming here. It feels right. This is the kind of racing that's supposed to be done here."

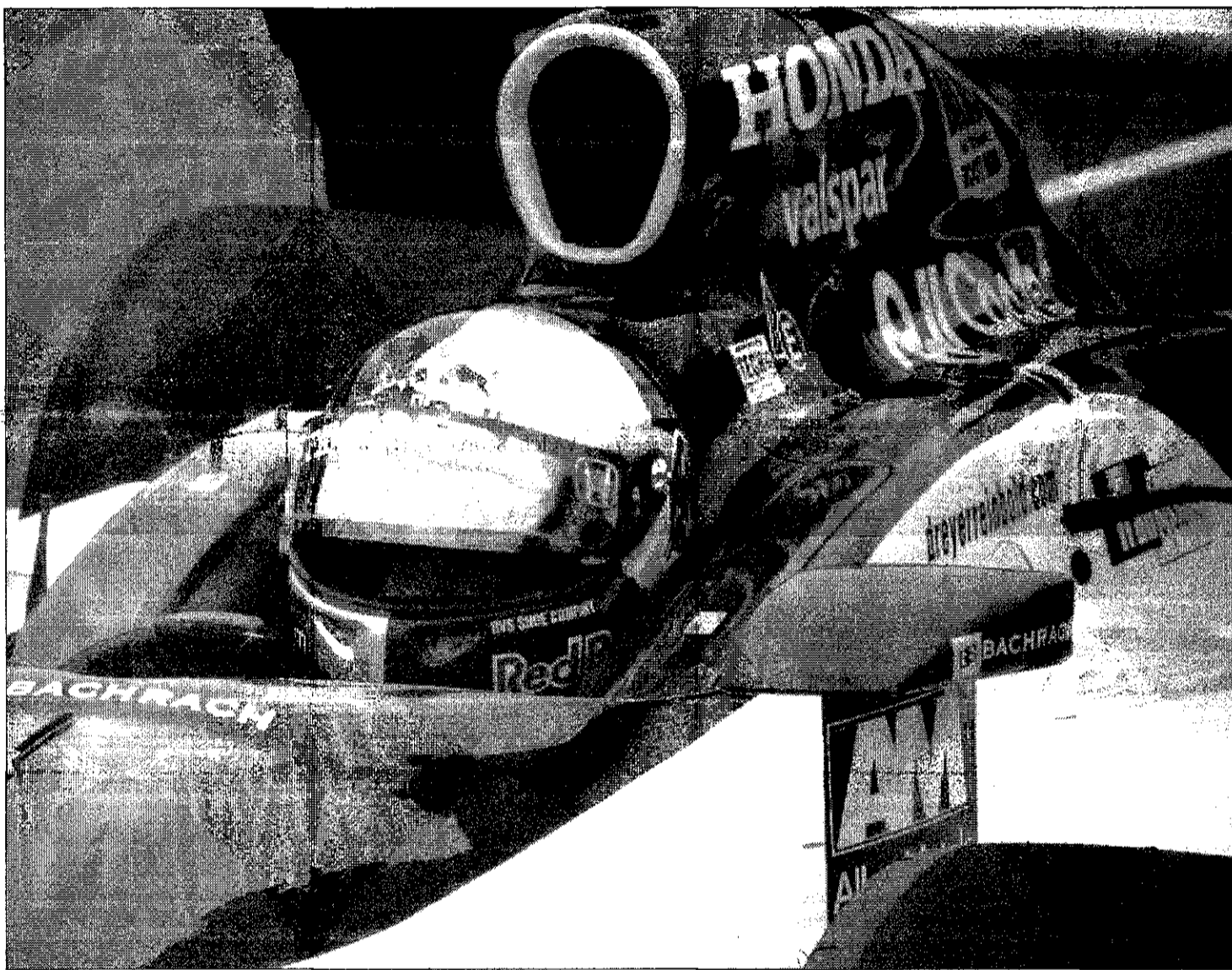
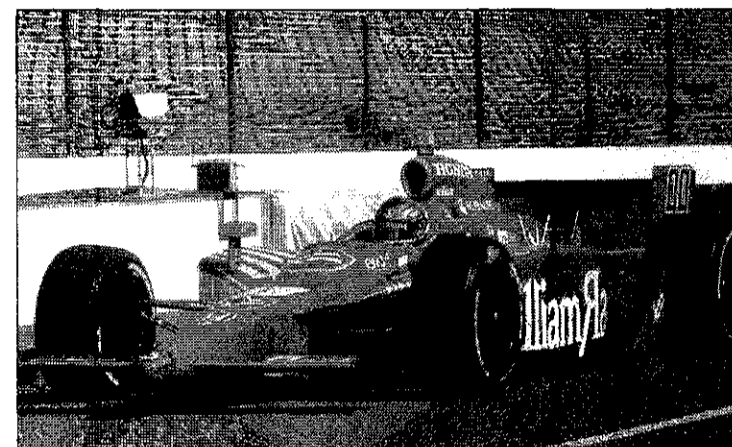
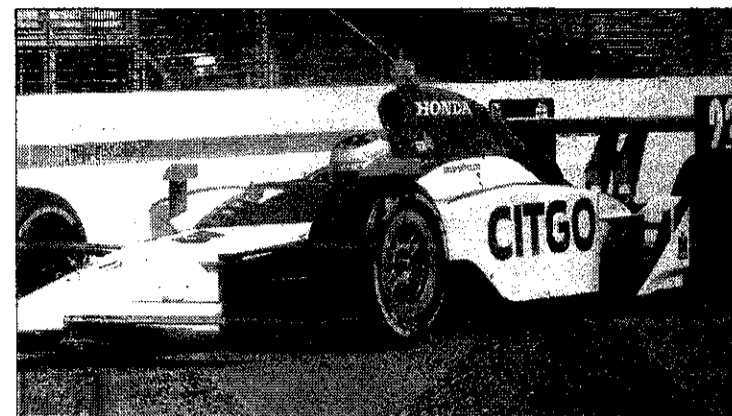
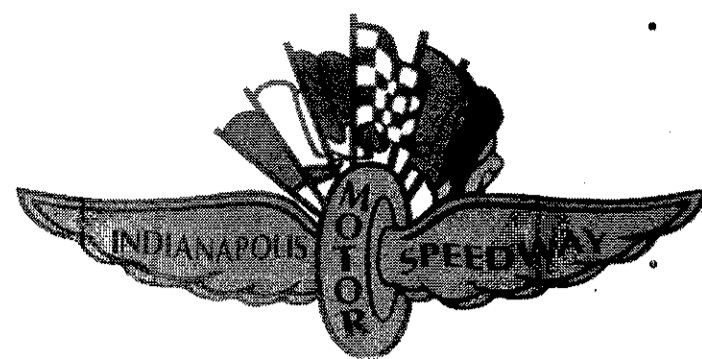
Duno refers to Buhl as her coach. It's a familiar role for him.

Buhl taught at the Skip Barber Racing School. Earlier this decade he nurtured Sarah Fisher. As a D&R driver in 2002, Fisher became the first woman to win a pole in an American open-wheel major event.

"Being a former driver, I understand where Milka's coming from, mentally," Buhl said among a crowd of onlookers outside his team's six-bay garage on Gasoline Alley.

He wants Duno to keep calm and achieve a series of small incremental goals in the steady pursuit of speed.

"It's a different scenario from where we are with Buddy



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Robbie Buhl, above standing on wall, monitors practice for the Indy 500. Buddy Rice, above, prepares to take a run. Buhl meets with driver Milka Duno, below right, in the team garage.

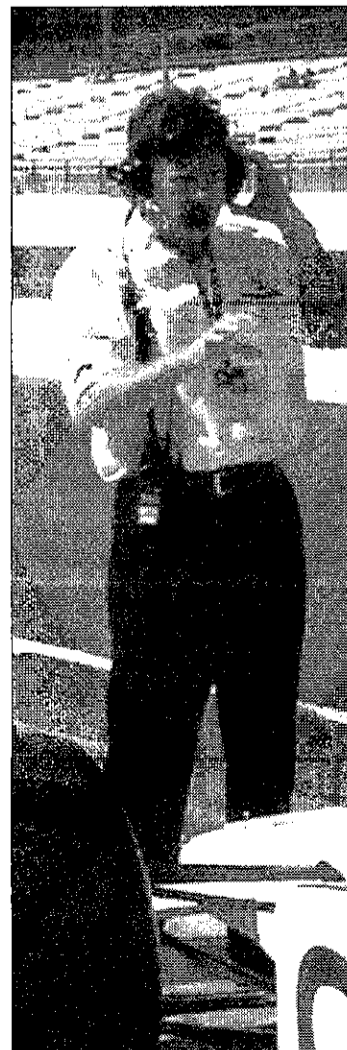
and Townsend," Buhl said. "Those guys have more miles. Right now for Milka, we need to get some laps and get comfortable."

Qualifying last Saturday afternoon didn't go as hoped, but landed within the team's expectations.

Rice's car had clutch problems and was pulled back to the garage for repairs.

Bell made an attempt. His four-lap, 222.397 mph average was about one mph too slow to grab a top 11 position.

During morning practice Duno improved her speed to 221.734 and didn't attempt to qualify.













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# Relay for Life Grosse Pointe

Grosse Pointe Pier Park • May 17 - 18, 2008, 10 A.M. - 10 A.M.

## Come join the fun

### Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe held at Farms Pier Park

If hanging out at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park — enjoying 24 hours of food, music, silent auctions and games — sounds like a great way for you and your family to spend some quality time, get onboard for the 2008 American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe.

The public is encouraged to come and participate in the fun-filled activities and emotionally moving ceremonies beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday,

*A schedule of special ceremonies, fun-filled, wacky theme laps and individual campsite activities — all welcoming public participation — is included in this relay news insert.*

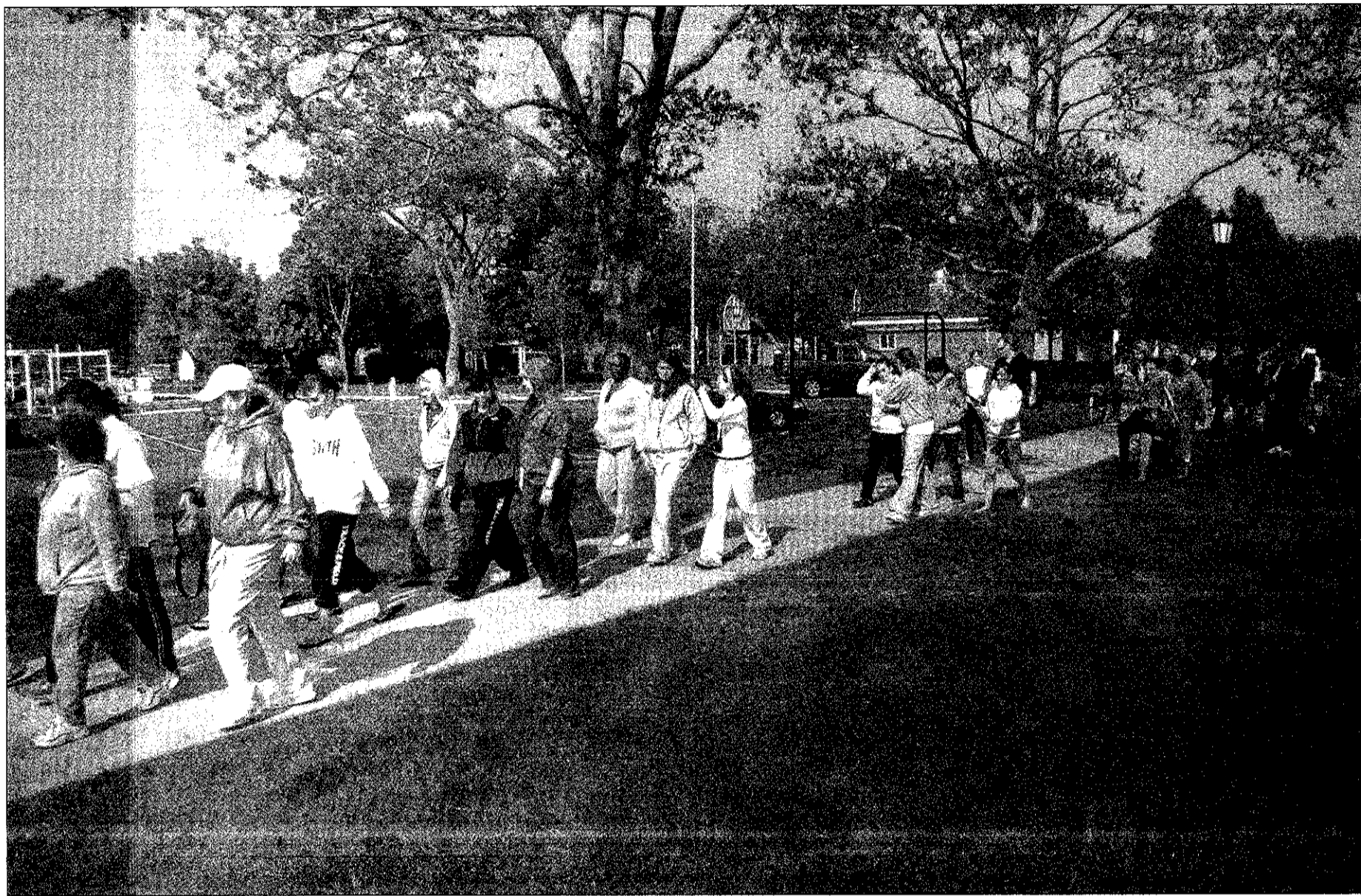


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Relay 2007: As one day ends, another begins. After 24 hours of walking, sleepy-eyed team members walk the final lap to close the event while the sun rises over the lake.

May 17, and continuing around the clock for 24 hours.

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital and its Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology is the lead sponsor for the 2008 Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe. The Grosse Pointe News and Comcast are event media sponsors. Other sponsors include Christ Episcopal Church-Grosse Pointe in partnership with Church of the Messiah, Fresh Farms Market, Henry Ford Pierson Clinic, The Hill Association and Yates Industries.

Enthusiastic families, energetic neighbors, caring-spirited coworkers, cancer survivors, community leaders, church and school groups, and people of all ages who want to have fun while they help beat cancer and celebrate survivorship

have teamed up to make the 2008 American Cancer Society Relay For Life a soaring success.

Now they invite the rest of the community to take part in the celebration at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park. Any and all cancer survivors are especially invited to participate

and be honored during the Survivor Ceremony at 1 p.m.

Survivors should arrive by 12:30 p.m. to register and receive a special gift and coupon book prior to the ceremony and honorary Survivor Lap.

Relay For Life is a team approach to raising funds that culminates in the 24-hour re-

lay celebration.

What makes it a relay is that each team has at least one person walking on the path circling the park at all times throughout the entire 24 hours of the event. Funds raised by the Relay For Life teams support education, advocacy, research and services provided

to cancer patients and their families by the American Cancer Society.

"The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe encompasses all these activities and more," says Sasha Murphy, relay chairperson. "It offers everyone in the area a chance to celebrate cancer survivorship, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against a disease that takes too much from too

many. And it's all done in the spirit of fun, fellowship and commitment to our community."

This year's Grosse Pointe Relay includes 24 teams, all with their own unique names and personalities.

Since the Relay Kick-off event held in February, they have been busy raising funds and planning their campsite

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## Campsite capers at Relay For Life

Here's a sampling of the fun, food, games and more available at the Relay team campsites.

### All Knighters

- All day Saturday
- ◆ Bake Sale
- ◆ Decorated Flip Flops
- ◆ Handmade Ceramic Ribbon Sale
- ◆ Luminaria Decoration Station 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ◆ Bean Bag Toss & Duck Pond At dusk
- ◆ Glow Sticks for Sale

### Beautiful Bountiful Broads

- 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ◆ Silent Auction

### Christ Church Eagles Wings

- All Day Saturday
- ◆ Pulled-pork Bar-B-Q, Brunswick Stew, Chips, Soda, Sweet Iced Tea
- ◆ Messages and Meditation Tent
- ◆ Ornaments

### Crazy Daisy Bulldogs

- ◆ Silent Auction

### Curvinitors

- ◆ Chair Massages
- ◆ Homemade Cookies

### FANatics

- Saturday Morning
- ◆ Bagel Sale
- Saturday Afternoon
- ◆ Dodgeball Game

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### Grosse Pointe North

- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ◆ BBQ hot dogs, chips, burgers, soda

and water

- ◆ Volleyball Tournament
- ◆ North versus South Tug-O-War

### Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Wings of Hope

- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ◆ Foot Massages
- 10 a.m. to Noon
- ◆ Chair Massages
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ◆ Silent Auction
- 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- ◆ Used Book Sale
- 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ◆ National Coney Island Coney Dogs 5 p.m. — while they last
- ◆ Jets Pizza by the slice

### Mardi Gras Madness

- All day
- ◆ Mardi Gras Market
- ◆ Bead toss, candy, fishing, bake sale, lemonade stand
- ◆ Luminaria Decoration Station 6 p.m.
- ◆ S'mores

### Shelley's Gang

- All day
- ◆ Coffee & Muffins
- Midnight
- ◆ Pizza

### Street Steppers

- All Day
- ◆ Walking Tacos and Candy
- ◆ Sports Equipment Rental
- ◆ Chocolate Chip Cookies 2 to 4 p.m.
- ◆ Silent Auction

### Team St. Ambrose

- Saturday
- ◆ Silent Auction

### Team UP & Win the Fight

- 10 a.m. to Noon
- ◆ Coffee and Bagels Sale
- Noon to 2 p.m.
- ◆ Baked Goods, Lunch and Snack Sale
- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ◆ Face Painting and Air Tattoos
- ◆ Scrapping Supplies Sale 1 to 3 p.m.
- ◆ Strength & Conditioning Clinic 5 to 7 p.m.
- ◆ Appetizer/Dinner sale 7 to 9 p.m.
- ◆ "Steve's Songs for a Cure"

### Waldmeir's Warriors

- All day
- ◆ Bean Bag Toss
- ◆ Water, soft drinks and snacks for sale

### WATCH Team

- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ◆ Silent Auction with Two Sisters Gourmet Products and "Pink Ribbon" items compliments of Comfortably Yours
- ◆ Miniature beer breads and apple cakes, Two Sisters Gourmet treats, hot chocolate, coffee and pop for sale
- ◆ Information about W.A.T.C.H. Breast Cancer Support Group

### Other teams include:

- ◆ Fantastic Four & More
- ◆ Frankie's Girls
- ◆ Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils
- ◆ Pierson's Pride
- ◆ Sasha's Outdoor Voices
- ◆ Saviours (Cooking Up A Cure)
- ◆ Team Jane
- ◆ Wink

## What's happening when

### Schedule of Relay ceremonies and 'wacky' laps

Everyone is invited to participate in the ceremonies and wacky laps. Bring your hula hoop, prom dress or jammies and join the fun.

#### Saturday, May 17

- Rick and Pat Bartos "Circuits of Sound DJ Services" will provide music throughout the day.
- ◆ 10 a.m. — Opening Ceremony
- ◆ 11 a.m. — Hula Hoop Lap: Bring your own and wiggle your way around the walking path.
- ◆ 12:30 p.m. — Survivor registration.
- ◆ 1 p.m. — Survivor Ceremony and Honorary Lap.
- ◆ 2 p.m. — Academy Girls: Lip Sync Spectacular at the Pavilion.
- ◆ 3 p.m. — Dress in your "black-tie best" for the Wedding Party and Prom Lap.
- ◆ 4 p.m. — Fight Back Ceremony.
- ◆ 6 p.m. — Masquerade Lap: Who is that masked relay walker?
- ◆ 6:30 p.m. — Mr. Relay Contest.
- ◆ 7 p.m. — Scavenger Hunt: Meet at the Pavilion for instructions.
- ◆ 8 p.m. — Everybody in your jammies for the Pajama Lap.
- ◆ 9 p.m. — Luminaria Ceremony and Silent Lap.
- ◆ 11 p.m. — Get "Glowing in the Dark" with face paint, a glow necklace or whatever you've got that goes on when the lights go out.

#### Sunday, May 18

- ◆ 6 a.m. — Walk with your favorite fluffy, cuddly critter in the Stuffed Animal Lap.
- ◆ 7 a.m. — Cover up that bed head with something stylin' during the Crazy Hat Lap.
- ◆ 8 a.m. — Give your toes a treat in the Flip Flop Lap.
- ◆ 9:30 a.m. — Closing Ceremony and Final Lap.

# Why we relay

## One survivor's story shared

Behind many of the participant's faces of Relay For Life is a story of hope and survivorship.

Susan Mozena is one participant who has faced cancer head on. She will be a six-year cancer survivor this coming August and an individual who has dealt with the disease from almost all sides of the spectrum.

With a history of the disease in her family, working in the medical field, and losing her father to cancer 35 years ago, a

breast cancer diagnosis brought her a whirlwind of emotions.

Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women in the United States, excluding cancers of the skins and accounts for more than one in four cancer diagnoses.

In January of 2004, it was estimated that more than 2.4 million women had been diagnosed and were living with the disease.

Mozena was part of that statistic when she was diagnosed

with a rare malignant tumor nearly six years ago.

When asked what her reaction was when she heard the news, she said, "Automatically when you hear the word malignant you think you're going to die."

She began to flash back to memories of her father's diagnosis and feared she would suffer the same fate as him. She feared she would never have the opportunity to become a grandmother.

Six months before the birth

of her daughter, Mozena lost her father to the disease.

This year, Mozena is participating on the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital's team "Wings of Hope" and is able to relay with a sense of achievement as a grandmother of three grandchildren.

Because she was diagnosed with a rare type of tumor known as phyllodes, Mozena never had to endure common radiation and chemotherapy procedures to remove the disease from her body. She did, however, undergo a mastectomy and reconstructive surgery and because of this participates in the relay with a sense of gratitude.

"I don't really feel like a cancer survivor because I never had to have radiation or chemo," said Mozena. "And because of that, I feel very grateful."

Mozena is coming into this year's 2008 Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe with a positive and uplifting attitude. She credits her recovery to the supportive people in her life and the care she received during treatment.

She encourages everyone to be thankful and celebrate life, saying, "People learn, care, and improve to help other people."

This year Mozena, along with other cancer survivors, will kick off the relay by participating in the opening survivor

lap.

Designed to celebrate the lives of those who have fought their battle against cancer, the first lap is walked only by survivors and truly signifies the hope and progress brought about in the event.

Because of Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society raised \$400 million across the United States last year to further fund cancer research, support, education and improve the lives of cancer survivors.

The event has also allowed millions of people to share their story like Mozena and walk in celebration, while allowing many more to actively fight for a cure.

The American Cancer Society recommends and encourages everyone take control of their cancer risk and help improve their knowledge of cancer.

Between 2000-2004, half of all women who developed breast cancer were age 61 or under.

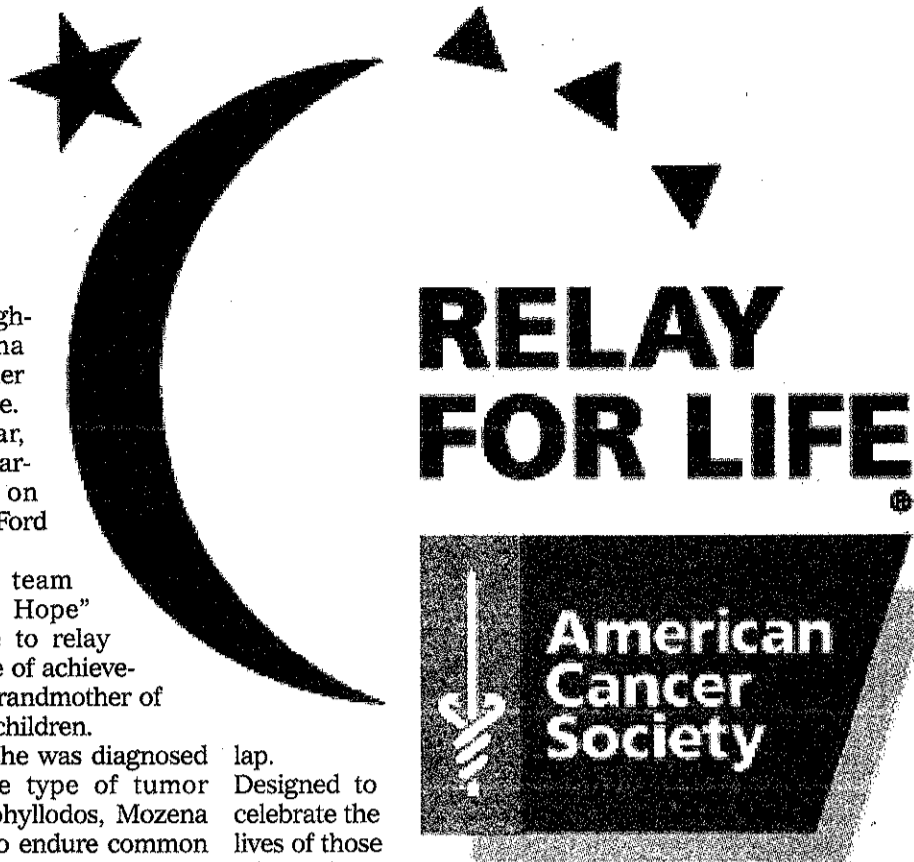
It is recommended that

women 40 years and older obtain yearly mammograms and report any changes to their doctor.

As for all cancers, it is recommended to maintain a healthy lifestyle, exercise regularly, avoid weight gain, quit smoking and minimize alcohol intake to actively reduce the risk of cancer.

The American Cancer Society also offers many programs and resources to assist those battling breast cancer. Such programs provide one-on-one support for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients, information on what to expect during cancer treatment, support for families, and a cosmetic workshop to look good and feel better after treatment.

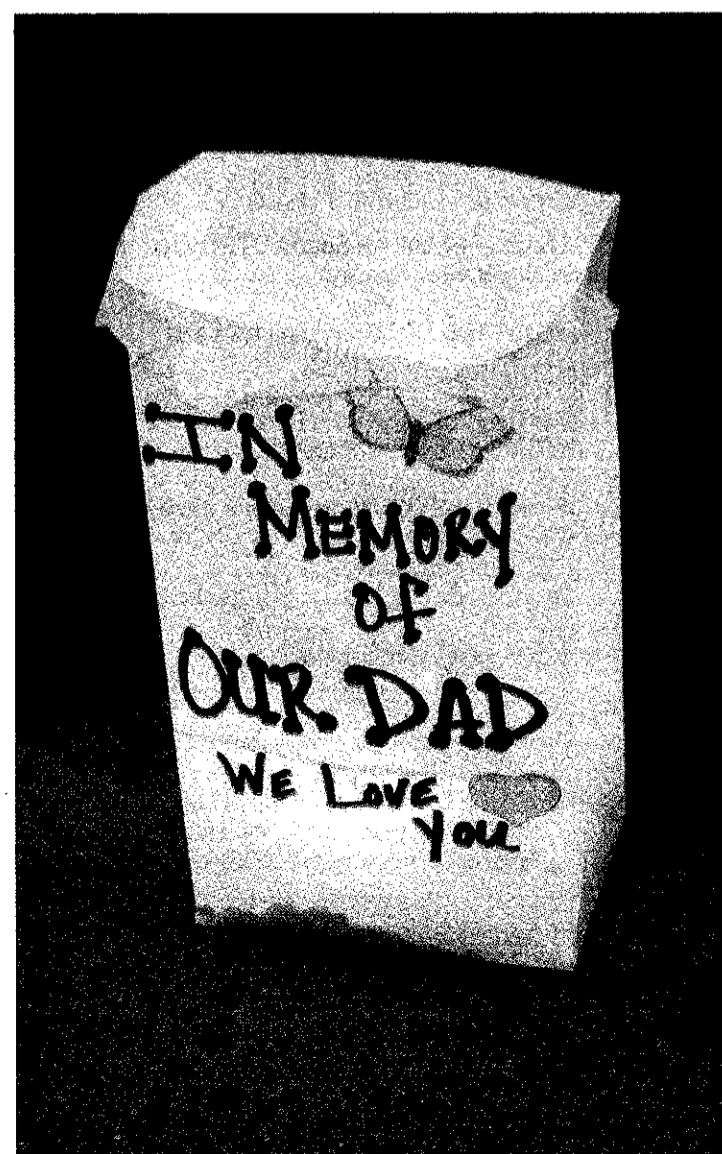
Information about these services and more can be obtained by contacting (248) 663-3400 or 24 hours a day, seven days a week at cancer.org or (800) ACS-2345.



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## Luminaria

Relay 2007: Luminaries lit the path in the Farms' Pier Park where team members walked continuously from 10 a.m. Saturday to 10 a.m. Sunday.



## Brighter than sunshine

Relay 2007: Paper luminaries were dedicated to those lost in the struggle against cancer.

## Special: Lighting the Luminaria Ceremony

One of the most memorable and moving parts of Relay For Life is the Luminaria Ceremony.

Held at every event, the ceremony honors the lives of those who lost their battle with cancer.

As night falls, lights are turned off, music is stopped or turned down, and candles flicker around the outline of the relay track. Placed inside decorative bags, candles represent the lives of individuals who died from cancer.

Participants gather in silence to listen to a speech given by a cancer survivor, followed by a duration of silent laps to remember the loved ones represented in each of the candles.

One of the aspects of Relay For Life is to remember the lives of those who have battled cancer and the luminaria ceremony helps to do just that.

The candles allow all partici-



pants to remember loved ones of the disease and celebrate the beauty of their loved ones' lives.

Cancer is a journey that isn't taken by an individual, but by a collective group of people. While the candle may represent the life of an individual taken by cancer, it also represents the light they spread to others during their lifetime and the hope of a cure to come.

Last year the Relay For Life participants of Grosse Pointe

lit 605 luminaria candles in honor of their loved ones who lost their battle with cancer.

The entire Great Lakes Division of the American Cancer Society lit a total 297,733.

With events such as Relay For Life and continued support from communities across America, it is the goal of the American Cancer Society to one day eliminate cancer and never to add another luminaria bag to the ceremony.

## Reason to Relay

Last year, 22 teams participated in the Grosse Pointe Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society's international fundraising event.

Two local participants look back at their previous experiences and gear-up for another great event as they continue to be a part of the fight against cancer.

Terry Minnis of Grosse Pointe is participating as team captain for Waldmeir's Warriors, sponsored by Grosse Pointe Woods councilmen Pete Waldmeir. As a three-year Relay veteran, Minnis says she looks forward to the entire event but that her favorite part of Relay is the luminaria ceremony, designed to honor those who have lost their battle with cancer and celebrate survivors.

Participants create luminaria bags decorated with script, memories, and pictures of loved ones. The bags are placed along the outside of the

track where they are lit at nightfall and remain lit through the night. It is a time where participants can take a moment to remember their loved ones and support those currently fighting the battle.

While the luminaria ceremony at Relay For Life may have a more solemn and reflective tone, the event boasts other inspiring elements. One of the reasons people look forward to Relay, is that they can become involved in their community with something that is meaningful to them.

Alexa Yates, a member of the Crazy Daizy Bulldogs team, was looking for a way to become locally involved.

"I really wanted to find a way to give back to the community," says Yates. "Some of my friends told me about Relay and I literally jumped for joy. Both my grandparents have been through cancer and I have been very inspired by

them both."

Minnis and Yates say the event is something you have to experience personally. By participating in Relay For Life, both feel they are truly making a difference in the battle against cancer and the quest to cure this disease.

As events such as Relay For Life continue to raise cancer awareness by celebrating the lives of survivors, remembering those lost to disease, and encouraging everyone to fight for a cure, we become steps closer to eliminating cancer as a major health concern.

Through fundraising efforts and continued cancer research, we have been able to improve the five-year survival rate after diagnoses to 66 percent, as compared to a 50 percent survival rate in 1975.

Each year we become steps closer to ending the disease and continue to enhance the lives of those diagnosed.

# Know the history of Relay For Life

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life has been a huge part of the society's efforts to raise funds and awareness to fight cancer by contributing more than \$1 billion to cancer research and implementing programs assisting cancer patients across the country.

The Relay For Life tradition began in 1985 when its founder Dr. Gordy Klatt ran for a strenuous 24 hours at a

local high school track in Tacoma, Wash., with the idea that cancer never sleeps. He raised \$27,000 that year for the American Cancer Society, proving that one person really can make a difference.

Through his vision, the first team relay took place in 1986 at the historic Stadium Bowl, with its 19 teams and 200 supporters, raising \$33,000.

Today, Relay For Life is the most successful not-for-profit

event in America, providing a platform for raising cancer awareness and connecting communities to the programs and services of the American Cancer Society. There are currently more than 4,800 events across the country, as well as international expansion in 18 countries including Australia, South Africa, Portugal and Japan.

This year there will be more than 50 relays held in metro

Detroit communities fighting against cancer including Grosse Pointe contributing to the more than 3.5 million people participating nationwide.

The first relay Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe began at Pier Park where it is still hosted today and last year boasted an impressive 22 teams participating. Since then, funds raised in Grosse Pointe have increased each year.

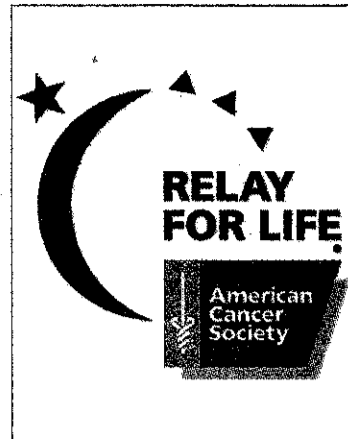
Last year, more than \$90,000

was raised at the Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe, beating the previous years money raised by more than \$25,000.

"Looking back at our steady progress, I'm confident the Grosse Pointe community can reach, if not surpass our team and fundraising efforts from the previous years," said Dorothy Busignani, community representative.

The event includes an uplifting cancer survivor Victory Lap which kicks off the relay and an emotional Luminaria Ceremony to remember and honor those who have been touched by the disease.

The event also gives those affected by cancer the opportunity to connect with other survivors and caregivers to share their stories. But most importantly, the event gives all of its attendees and participants the empowerment and



inspiration to stand up against cancer.

Relay For Life is a public event, so everyone including families, children and cancer survivors are welcome to attend and enjoy the free festivities.

Each year Relay For Life continues to grow nationwide while its participants celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost to the disease, and fight back in the hope of finding a cure against a disease that has taken so much.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

## S.U.R.V.I.V.O.R

Relay 2007: Redefining S.U.R.V.I.V.O.R. in acronym form across posts served as a reminder for event participants. They walked for the survivors, the fighters, and in the memory of those defeated.



PHOTO BY PETER J. BIRKNER

## Positive walkers

Walkers help raise money for scholarships supporting young cancer survivors.

## RELAY: Come join us

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themes and activities.

Fundraising efforts are as individualized as the teams, but include everything from bake sales to bowling tournaments, and also online donation solicitation through an easy to use relay Web site and by selling luminaria bags decorated and named in honor or memory of special people who have faced cancer.

As part of the always inspirational and emotional ceremony, the candles are lit, illuminating the relay path throughout the night and reminding everyone of the true purpose of relay.

A schedule of special ceremonies, fun-filled, wacky theme laps and individual campsite activities — all welcoming public participation — is included in this relay news insert.

Come for the Opening Ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, the Survivor Ceremony at 1 p.m., a hilarious "Mr. Relay" competition at 7 p.m., the Luminaria Ceremony at 9 p.m., the sleep-deprived Closing Ceremony at 10 a.m. Sunday, or the array of campsite activities happening throughout the 24 hours — Relay For Life has something for everyone.

"Whether you're looking for closure following the loss of a loved one, support coping with a new cancer diagnosis, or an opportunity to celebrate a victory over cancer, you can find what you need at relay," says

Dorothy Busignani, American Cancer Society representative to the Grosse Pointe event.

For more information, call her at (249) 663-3418; e-mail, dorothy.busignani@cancer.org; or visit relayforlife.org.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, GA, the society has 13 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States.

For more information, support and service, call toll-free at (800) ACS-2345 or visit cancer.org.

## ACS funds local cancer programs

Community efforts in the form of fundraising have allowed the American Cancer Society to implement and sustain programs and services at the local level.

Events such as Relay For Life, provide the necessary funding to connect the recently diagnosed with essential tools needed to cope with the disease. Some local programs include:

◆ Reach to Recovery: Offers comfort, up-to-date information and support to men and women living with breast cancer through face-to-face or phone conversations with volunteer breast cancer survivors.

◆ The Cancer Survivors Network: A Web-based support service for cancer survivors to share stories and con-

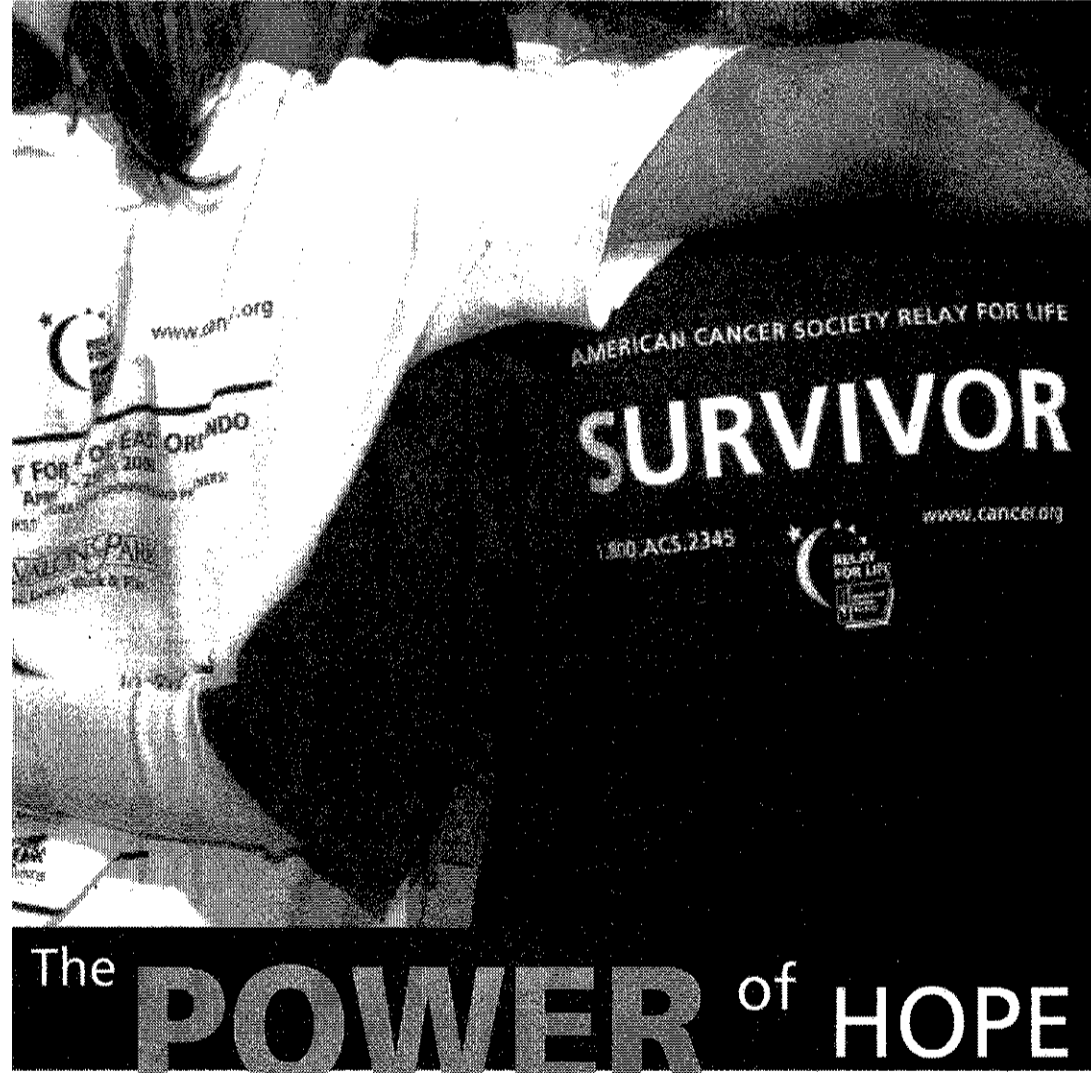
nect with others who have been through the cancer journey.

◆ Road to Recovery: Provides free transportation to cancer patients to and from treatment.

◆ Look Good, Feel Better: Helps restore confidence and self image in female cancer patients by offering beauty tips.

◆ The National Cancer Information Center, (800) ACS-2345, connects individuals and families facing cancer to timely, unbiased and easy to understand information 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

◆ The American Cancer Society's interactive Web site, cancer.org, allows visitors to find the latest cancer news and information.



The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a community gathering where everyone can join in the fight against cancer. Relay is a great family atmosphere with food, entertainment, games, and onsite fundraising for 24 straight hours. *We invite all cancer survivors in our community to celebrate life with friends and family at Relay For Life.*

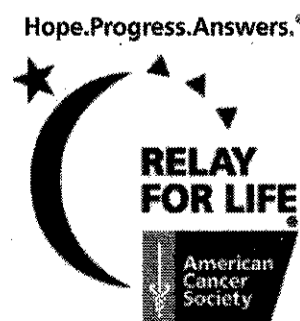
## Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe

May 17-18, 2008

10 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Pier Park

To form a team, register for the Survivor Victory Celebration or for more information, contact Dorothy Busignani at 248.663.3418 or via email at dorothy.busignani@cancer.org.



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# Cancer prevention studies

Cancer prevention studies are long-term follow-up studies that have helped the American Cancer Society better understand the factors that can cause and prevent cancer.

They first began in the 1950s and continue today with the purpose of understanding participants' lifestyle, behavioral, environmental and genetic factors that contribute to the current knowledge of cancer.

The goal of these studies along with that of the American Cancer Society, is to ultimately eliminate cancer as a major health problem for this and future generations.

Currently ACS is conducting its 3rd round of studies entitled CPS-3. Enrollment began in 2006 and will continue through 2011, enrolling participants in 25 states, Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico.

The society hopes to enroll 500,000 adults from various racial/ethnic backgrounds from across the United States during this period to participate in the study.

## Enrollment

Enrollment is for individuals between the ages of 30-65 who have never been diagnosed with cancer and are willing to

commit to a long-term study.

The following Michigan Relay for Life events will hold registration:

◆ Berrien County Relay For Life from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 21, at Berrien City Youth Fairgrounds, 9211 Old US 31, Berrien Springs, MI 49103.

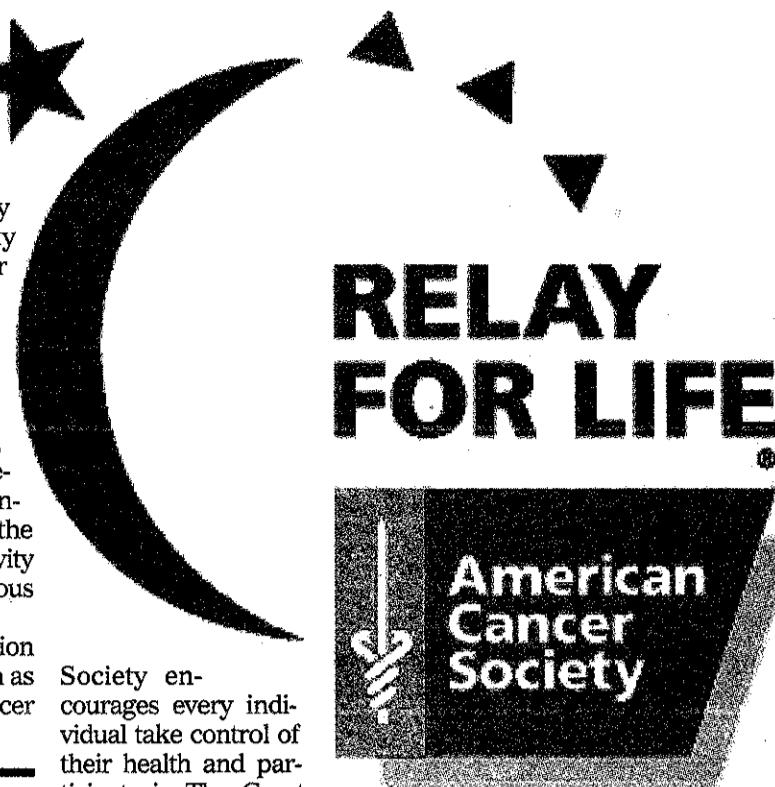
◆ Canton Relay For Life — 12 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at Heritage Park, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

◆ Jackson County Relay For Life — 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at Cascade Falls Park, Brown Street, Jackson, MI 49203.

◆ Monroe Relay For Life — 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at Monroe County Fairgrounds, 3775 S. Custer Road, Monroe, MI 48161.

Past cancer prevention studies have led to significant findings such as the link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, the significant impact of being overweight and the increased risk of cancer, and the link between physical activity and the lower risk of various cancers.

Because of such information obtained from research such as CPS-3, the American Cancer



Society encourages every individual take control of their health and participate in The Great American Health Challenge and reduce their risk of cancer. For more information, call

(888) 604-5888 or visit [cancer.org/greatamericans](http://cancer.org/greatamericans).



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## Mr. Relay

Relay 2007: Mr. Relay contestants earned \$2,293 in just 10 minutes of rallying for cash.

## Research to save lives

When the American Cancer Society began its research program more than 60 years ago, only 25 percent of cancer patients lived after five years of diagnosis.

Today, through research funded in part by Relay For Life, more than 66 percent of those diagnosed live longer than five years.

Currently, the American Cancer Society is funding research totaling more than \$14 million at Wayne State University, Van Andel Research Institute and the University of Michigan.

By funding various research projects, The American Cancer Society is actively contributing to its 2,015 national challenge goals of decreasing cancer mortality rates by 50 percent, reducing cancer incident rates by 25 percent, and measurably improving the quality of life for people with cancer. The American Cancer Society has

also funded the work of 40 Nobel Prize winning researchers.

Some major health advances through society funded research include:

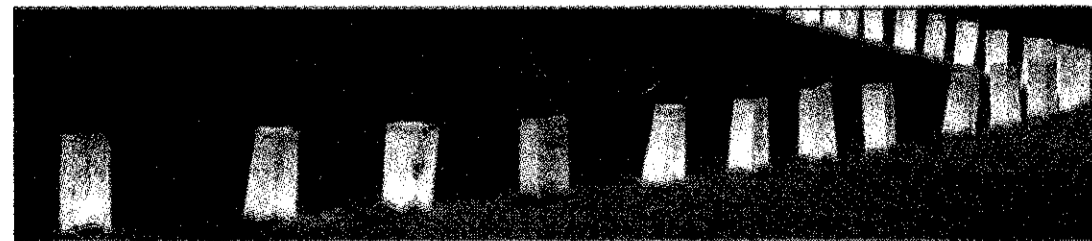
- ◆ Structure and sequencing of DNA
- ◆ Curing childhood leukemia
- ◆ Establishing the link between smoking and lung cancer
- ◆ Creating the Pap test to screen for cervical cancer
- ◆ Developing the first therapies to attack cancer at its genetic roots
- ◆ Using the first successful bone marrow transplant to treat cancer
- ◆ Identifying the link between diet and cancer
- ◆ Showing that tamoxifen can help reduce breast cancer risk
- ◆ Developing the prostate specific antigen test for early detection of prostate cancer



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## Relay highlights

Relay 2007: Above, Martha O'Neal paints the face of Teagan Cornell. In a different kind of race, Nicholas Wu, Madeline Wu, and Keara Crook, below, hula hoop for cancer. Crook won the contest and received a prize. The ultimate prize was thousands of dollars raised for the American Cancer Society at the event.



## Cancer society's Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life is an overnight celebration of life and cancer survivorship.

Since its inception in 1985, Relay For Life has become a worldwide movement to end cancer.

Relay events are held in 20 countries across the globe including the United States.

Teams of people from all walks of life have fun while raising much-needed funds to fight cancer and raise awareness of cancer prevention and treatment.

Relay For Life is a unique team event designed to raise awareness about cancer and funds to support the American Cancer Society's mission of eliminating cancer.

A little less than 1 in 2 men and slightly more than 1 in 3 women will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetime. The money raised at the relay saves lives by funding cutting-edge cancer research, early detection and prevention education, advocacy efforts, and life-affirming patient services.

Relay For Life is community driven.

Teams of people including local businesses, friends, families, hospitals, religious organizations and clubs, gather at community sites to take turns walking, jogging or running laps.

The relay is a moving celebration of cancer survivorship. The event begins with a Survivor's Lap in which cancer survivors take a victory lap around the track cheered on by their supporters. Each cancer survivor is introduced and all survivors complete the first lap around the track before being joined by the other participants. The Survivor's Lap is a reminder of why Relay For Life is held.

For the newly diagnosed, the relay is a healing experience that offers a chance to meet others who have claimed victory over cancer.

For caregivers who give time, love, and support to those who face cancer, the re-

lay provides hope and understanding.

After nightfall, one of the main highlights of Relay For Life is the Ceremony of Hope — the relay's luminaria ceremony.

Hundreds and maybe thousands of luminaria candles dedicated to loved ones line the track and are left burning throughout the night to remind participants of the importance of their contributions.

American Cancer Society funds more than \$100 million

in cancer research a year.

More than two-thirds of all cancer deaths are preventable. A critical part of the organization's work is to teach people how to maintain healthy lifestyles and get regular check-ups.

The American Cancer Society can help anyone touched by cancer find the information or quality of life programs they need.

Help is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by calling (800) ACS-2345 or visiting [cancer.org](http://cancer.org).

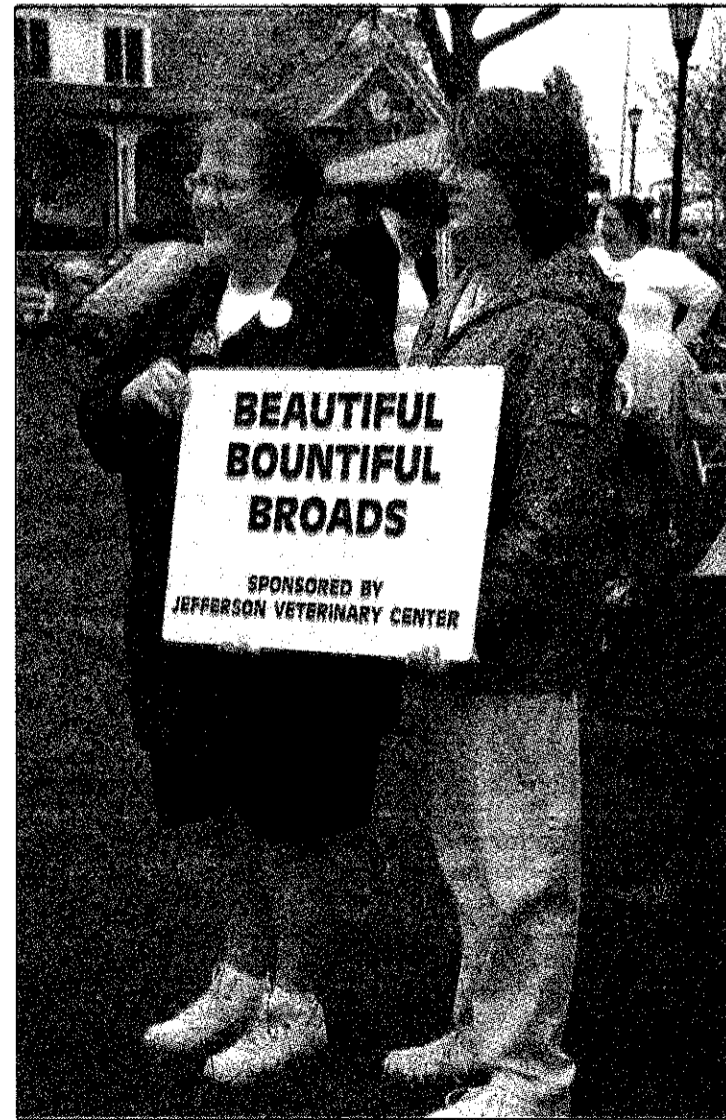


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## Team members

Relay 2007: Two walkers proudly hold their team sign at the opening ceremonies of Relay for Life.