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By Brad Lindberg

p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27, the

second annual Racing For Kids

promises to be bigger and bet-

Staff Writer

pening.

ter than before.

THURSDAY, AUG. 21

The Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue meets at the Aretee Spa, 20559 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, at 6 p.m. for a business to business networking meeting. Bring business cards, fliers, business associates and guests. There will be an open discussion on Discover Mack Avenue Days. For more information, call (313) 423-0087. The event will be catered.

The Great Safety Adventure will be featured at the Michigan State Fair from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Sept. 1. This is an animated home which helps families locate common safety hazards.

SATURDAY, AUG. 23

 The third annual dog wash, organized by Defer Elementary student Alex Hughes, is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the corner of Bedford and Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. All proceeds go to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

MONDAY, AUG. 25

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



everybody on the Hill," said celebration and benefit auction Robbie Buhl, national spokesman for Racing For Kids charity and native Grosse "We're going to have a fun Pointer. "What a great event to fair, shut down part of the have on Grand Prix weekend. street and have support from It works out perfectly."

Buhl is a former Indy car driver and current co-owner of a team in the Indy Racing League. The charity he represents uses the popularity of motorsports to focus attention and funding on the health care

Grand Prix racers to visit Hill

needs of children.

When Buhl rolls onto the Hill next week, he'll bring with him with an Indy race car and at least two of his team's drivers to meet the public, pose for pictures and sign autographs.

Attending will be Buddy Rice, the 2004 Indianapolis 500 winner, and Milka Duno, the highest-finishing female driver in this year's Indy 500.

Rice, of Phoenix, led early laps of this year's Indy 500. When not racing, he enjoys restoring hot rods.

Duno, from Venezuela, holds four master's degrees and is a

certified naval engineer. Her children's book, 'Go, Milka Go!" stresses the importance of education.

Both drivers are on Buhl's team, Drever & Reinbold Racing, based in a suburb of Indianapolis. The team's third driver, Townsend Bell of California, will try to attend.

"The public will be impressed with Buhl's drivers." said Pat Wright, executive director of Racing For Kids, headquartered on the Hill. "All are polite, professional and ar-

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GROSSE POINTE FARMS

A beach treatment

Have your people call my people

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

the tangle of weeds and invasive species dominating the 1/4-mile mass of accretion wedged against breakwalls defining the shoreline and park peninsula.

Until Hollywood solves the

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High School's Wicking Library. The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. Call (313) 343-2074 for meeting site.

TUESDAY, AUG. 26

 Local Business Networks. Grosse Pointe Chapter, meets from 8 to 9:15 a.m. in the AAA Michigan office, 19299 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (586) 206-4958.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27

 Grosse Pointe Spanish Language Meetup Group meets at 7:30 p.m. at Caribou Coffee in the Village. To register, visit meetup.com. The second annual Racing for Kids celebration is from noon to 5 p.m. beginning with a street fair on Kercheval on the Hill. Proceeds go to the Children's Hospital of Michigan.

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FILE PHOTO

Local IndyCar driver Robby Buhl will once again bring one of his cars to The Hill to meet children and promote one of his favorite charities, Racing for Kids.

When Shane Reeside missed a recent telephone call from Sony Pictures, he wanted to have his people call their people back.

But, since he doesn't have any people, he did it himself. No one answered, so he left a message.

'We're trying to meet over lunch, but we keep missing each other," joked Reeside, manager of Grosse Pointe Farms.

He figures the call had to do with using the Farms' lakeside setting for a Hollywood movie. If so, he wouldn't mind it if an action film were shot on the eyesore of sand and weeds growing above Pier Park.

"Creature from the Black Lagoon' or something like that?" Reeside said.

A World War II beach invamessy movie crew to obliterate the accretion was gone."

POINTER OF INTEREST

Jason Schmitt

Detroiters traditionally work at hard, gritty

jobs so they like hard, rocky music.'

problem, Reeside is counting on another herbicide treatment this month to rid the area of unwanted vegetation.

"The county applied herbicide last year," he said. "It was pretty effective on fragmites."

He also plans to seek bids to landscape the bothersome area with indigenous species, such as Michigan holly and acacia.

A smaller buildup of sand and vegetation below Pier Park has been dredged and hauled away.

Dredging required joint approval from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

"The dredging company was in and out in an afternoon," Reeside said. "I purposely went down one morning to see sion, tsunami - anything that their operation, but nobody would cause pyrotechnics or a was there. Later that evening,

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Family Fiesta this Saturday

Saturday, Aug. 23 marks a zig-zagging through it, it's big return of the Family Fiesta at enough for two people to race Neff Park.

"Basically, it's a family-oriented carnival day," said Chris Hardenbrook, park director.

Scheduled attractions from 2 to 8 p.m. include a bigger and Runs Obstacle Course.

"This is their new extra large obstacle course," Hardenbrook said. "Instead of one person

through it. You can climb a wall, slide down, run through tubes and jump over things."

About 300 people attended last year's fiesta.

"It's free for residents," better version of the Adrenalin Hardenbrook said. "A resident can bring up to two guests per park pass. However, we don't have group permits that day." Other attractions include

gladiator jousts, free submarine sandwiches, cheese bread, chips and cookies.

Hardenbrook said its been a busy summer at the park.

"People are staying in town more," he said. "Pool numbers are always steady. People center their summer around the pool. But park usage, the number of picnics and people simply using the park, is crazy." — Brad Lindberg



Home: Grosse Pointe Park Age: 31 Family: Wife, Kristen; child due in August. Claim to fame: Interviewed rock and roll legends for doctoral dissertation. See story on page 4A

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Yesterday's headlines



SCHOOL POPULA-TION INCREASES

The census for the Grosse **Pointe Public School** System shows its population has increased by more than 60 percent in the last 10 years, according to figures released by the board of education.

The school census for 1958 revealed a figure of 62,857 residents versus the 38,696 recorded in 1948.

The census of school children in the 5-19 age[®] group showed 17,283. In 1948 the number was 8,881.

♦ POINTE MERCHANTS NOTE BUYING UPTURN

Business leaders in Grosse Pointe's shopping areas reported up-trends in local buying with sales in summer and early fall merchandise in several cases totaling those of the same week a year ago.

Notable too is the increase in traffic and parking both in The Village and The Hill shopping districts, as well as along Fisher Road and Mack Avenue.

SCHOOL TAX CUT

The Grosse Pointe Public School System announced because bond issues have been paid earlier than anticipated, the school tax rate in all taxing units except Grosse Pointe Township and a small portion of Grosse Pointe Woods will be decreased \$2.01 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.



25 years ago this week

♦ CITY MAYOR RESIGNS City of Grosse Pointe Mayor David Robb, accused of embezzling \$188,000 from a bankrupt brokerage firm, announced his resignation stating the city would be better served if he resigned.

♦ BUILDING COLLAPSEA MYSTERY

Structural engineers are trying to determine what caused the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology building to suddenly cave in. No one was in the building at the time.

♦ KRICKSTEIN WINS TENNIS TITLE

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Aaron Krickstein won the **United States Tennis** Association's Boys 18 national championship defeating Patrick McEnroe in the finals. The 16-year-old became the first Michigan player and the voungest ever to win the event. It was his fifth national title of the year and guaranteed him a spot as the nation's No. 1 junior player.



10 years ago this week

♦ CIGAR LOUNGE AP-PROVED

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council recently approved the transfer of a liquor license from Red Lobster to a new business, Robusto's, a cigar lounge. Cigar lounges have become popular in larger cities

1983: The last rites of summer

This group of young Pointers was spotted serving Kool-Aid, homemade cookies and plenty of smiles to passing motorists, joggers and shoppers on Kercheval Avenue. They include, (from left to right) Mike Ruinaert, 8, Jim Bellanca, 10, Selia Bellanca, 12, John Riley, 4, and Bridget Brietenbecher, 7.

including New York and Chicago.

♦ NEW CITY JUDGE Russell F. Ethridge has been appointed municipal judge for the City of Grosse Pointe.

The appointment runs until Nov. 1999 and fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Stan Kazul.

♦ MAPLETON RESTRIC-TIONS STAY

A 90-day test of parking restrictions on Mapleton Road in Grosse Pointe Farms was

made permanent after the trial period ended recently with no complaints from residents and unexpectedly high compliance by the public.

Restrictions came about after Mapleton residents complained to city officials that employees and customers of businesses on the Hill were turning the street into a no-cost parking lot.



♦ POINTERS SHINE IN **BLACKOUT OF 2003**

While area municipalities were without power Aug. 14 and 15 as the nation's largest power outage hit states from

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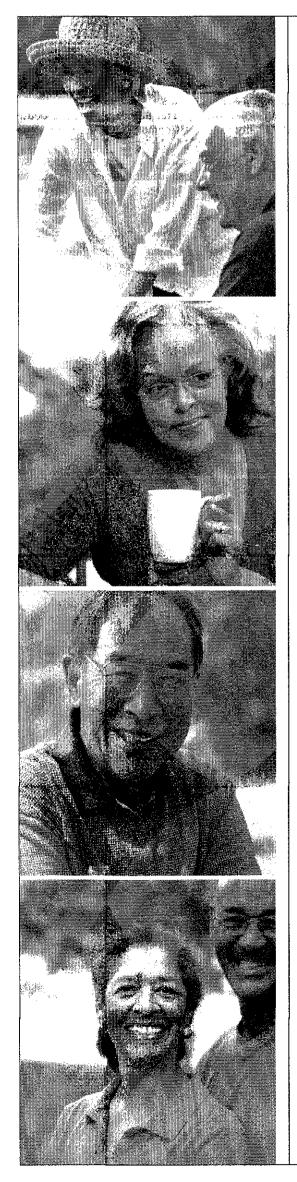
Massachusetts to Illinois, they weren't powerless. Public safety and public service departments ran at full power as did area hospitals on backup generators.

The U.S. Postal Service wasn't as lucky. Postal employees reported to work at the Grosse Pointe office, but waited around in the pitch dark building until noon. They were then informed by the main branch downtown that mail would not be delivered.

Residents in the 1300 block of Bedford dealt with the nation's largest electrical snafu by throwing a curbside pre-block party complete with grilled hamburgers and sing-alongs.

"We're having a block party in three weeks. This is the preliminary," resident Maurya Kay said.

♦ PARK OFFICER SHOOTS



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ACCUSED FELON

A Grosse Pointe Park patrolman shot a fleeing Detroit teenager who allegedly struck and knocked down another officer with a stolen car. The teen was take to an area hospital and was reported to be in critical condition.

The officer who fired his weapon is on paid administrative leave while the case is being investigated. The injured officer was treated for unspecified injuries.

-By Karen Fontanive

Secretary of State offices, banks and more closed Labor Day

All Michigan Secretary of State offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 1 in observance of Labor Day.

Secretary of State SUPER!Centers that normally offer Saturday hours will be closed Saturday, Aug. 30 as weil.

Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Additionally, all banks and post offices will be closed.

Home postal delivery will resume Tuesday, Sept. 2.

Municipal offices will be closed and garbage pickup will be delayed one day.

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Victory in the Pointes events planned

This year's four-day Victory in the Pointes celebration includes a scarecrow making competition, a North versus South tailgate party, a hoe down and fundraisers to benefit area organizations. The Grosse Pointes will also host the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame Road Trip '08, a state-ofthe-art mobile museum.

Festivities kick off at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 with a jewelauction at Stefek's ry Auctioneers, 18450 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Services for Older Citizens.

The auction includes vintage costume, gold and some gemstone jewelry. Wine and cheese will be served. Call (313) 881-1800 for reservations to this free event.

The main event, the Tailgate Taste Fest is from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 at Grosse Pointe North High School preceding the North-South football game. Offerings from the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, City Kitchen, The Hill Seafood & Chophouse, Lucy's Tavern on the Hill, Cold Stone Creamery, Just Delicious, Joseph's

Sunrise Sunset Saloon, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Biggby's, Bogartz and Chicken Shack will be sold. Half of all food proceeds will be donated to Grosse Pointe Foundation including for Public Education.

Also that evening, the Grosse Pointe Artists Association celebrates the opening of "The Word as Image" exhibit at the Art Center, 15001 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. Contact Susan MacDonald at (313) 821-1848 for additional information.

Throughout the weekend, the sports hall of fame will be open for visitors to have access to Michigan's professional and amateur athletes one-of-a-kind memorabilia, photo collections and videos. The "road trip" will be in the parking lot at Muir and Kercheval. The museum will be available on Friday, Sept. 5, and Saturday, Sept. 6, with locations to be announced.

Visitors will also learn facts about the accomplishments of Michigan's sports celebrities, take a trip down memory lane claiming the 2007 NCAA on

Catering, Dirty Dog Jazz Café, to "Echoes of the Game" to championship. view vintage artifacts from Olympia and Tigers stadium and relive Detroit News' 5 greats sports moments and other promotions on 2007 of

Saturday, Sept. 6:

◆ In store sales, trunk shows Lakeshore,

Kercheval and Mack. noon to 2 p.m. ♦ West Park Farmers Market

is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. • Chamber of commerce members gather at the 18450 Mack parking lot from 10 a.m. to noon offering free hot dogs, chips and beverages. Games, raffles, tattoos, face painting, Raleigh the police dog and other activities take place.

◆ A Let's Crow party offered by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce begins at 7 p.m. at the Northern Trust building, 120 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. From 7 to 8:15 p.m. voting for the Peoples Choice "Best of Scarecrow" takes place and those in attendance may cast votes. Judges will announce winners in the following categories: Traditional Harvest, Whimsical and Celebrity.

Harvest fare includes pulled pork sandwiches, salads, black bean chili, assorted desserts, beer, wine and soft drinks. Entertainment will be provided by the jug band, The Barley Brothers.

At 8:30 p.m. awards will be House hosts free presented and select scare-AL batting title and MSU Football Family Fun activities crows will be auctioned as a fundraiser for the Grosse Pharmacy and Pointe Fitness. from

Pointe Chamber Foundation. Tickets are \$40 per person and dress is hoe down casual.

Sunday, Sept. 7:

◆ The Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors features more than 125 homes for sale from 2 to 4 p.m.

♦ The Community Cornucopia sponsored by the Soroptomists takes place from noon to 5 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Vendors of food, beverage, music, gifts, arts and crafts will be on hand and face painting, entertainment and other family activities offered.

♦ The Cook School grand opening ceremony and historical marker dedication is planned at 2 p.m. in Ghesquire Park. A ribbon cutting ceremony immediately follows. Tours and refreshments will be available for purchase or participants can bring a picnic lunch. The Sun Messengers will perform

This year's event sponsors are Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, Ed Lazar Select State Farm Insurance, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, Park

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Clamping down on yard sale signs

Magglio

Ordonez

winning the MLB

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Nicole Stroh ranks yard keep Grosse Pointe from being Grosse Pointe.

"It's a ridiculous amount of signs," Stroh told Farms council members this month. "It cheapens the area."

She backed up her presentation with about two dozen yard signs she'd removed from the right of way along Moross, where she lives.

About half of the signs adrertised weekend garage

sales. Most others promoted political candidates and contractors.

"It literally looks like signs among eyesores that Baghdad on weekends," Stroh said.

Stroh's street is a high-traffic route and a prime spot for advertising garage sales. She wants police to cite people who put signs on public rights of way and don't remove garage sale signs after sales are over.

"As with most laws and ordinances, there's a little discretionary power involved," said Dan Jensen, public safety

body for everything because our residents would hate us. A lot of our residents like to go to garage sales. One man's trash is another man's treasure."

Before sending his officers on a ticket spree, Jensen is calling for residents to comply with rules and remove garage sale signs within reasonable time limits.

"If your sale starts Saturday, don't put your sign up on ing citations for putting Wednesday and leave it up un- garbage cans out too far in adtil the following Saturday," he vance of scheduled pickup. said. "If the sale is finished at

director. "We don't cite every- 5 p.m. Saturday, at 5 p.m., go out and pick up the sign.

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However, seeing that things have gone too far, Jensen has instructed his ordinance officers to step up enforcement and remove illegal signs.

"If the garage sale is Friday and Saturday, the sign will be gone by Sunday," he said. "If the sale is Saturday and Sunday, then Monday I'll have the guys pick up the signs."

Residents also risk receiv-"We issued five violation r

tices (one day last week) for tion, she said she picks up litearly placement of trash cans" said Terry Brennan, public services director.

Stroh is against excess signs of all sorts.

"City signs — there are way too many: speed limit signs, school crossing signs where there are no schools, bus stops," she said. "Utility poles on Moross are crooked. They're bristling with useless wires. One sign you need is 'No littering."

Stroh admitted taking down lieves don't belong. In addi-

ter.

"I pay a lot of taxes," she said. "I won't mention the amount. It's obscene. I shouldn't have to pick up garbage three times a week and pull signs out on weekends.'

Her advice extends to beautification projects on the Mack right of way.

"The (traffic) island at Mack and Moross is ugly," she said. "It grabs litter. I suggest pulling it all out and planting other peoples' signs she be- four or five flowering pears or some such tree."

R4 ordinance passes by 4 to 3 margin

Upscale senior housing zoning protested by neighbors

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

A protest petition failed to prevent the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council from taking the next step toward approving upscale senior housing on Vernier

In a 4 to 3 vote, councilmembers approved the first reading of a zoning ordinance amendment allowing new buildings proposed in the city be no more than three stories or 45 feet tall.

A second reading and approval is required by law before the ordinance can be enacted.

The change, recommended by the city's planning commission, would clear the way for new development on land now occupied by the Vernier Terrace Apartments.

The second vote, scheduled for Monday, Sept. 8, might not be as simple as the first if another protest petition is filed. which sources say is highly likely.

According to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act of 2006, if a protest petition is filed and ruled valid by the city clerk, a 2/3 vote of the legislative body is required to amend the ordinance.

A protest petition filed earlier that delayed a Monday, Aug. 4 vote and later found to be invalid, allowed for a simple majority vote on the first reading. If the petition had

been validated, a 6 to 1 vote would have been required, as would be the case if a second protest petition is filed and validated.

Based on the current 4 to 3 split on council, a super majority approval vote of 6 to 1 does not appear likely.

Councilman Joe Sucher, along with councilmembers Lisa Pinkos Howle and Pete Waldmeir, cast dissenting votes.

"We all voted against the ordinance for different reasons," Sucher said. "I'm against using zoning for economic purposes. We're being told that tax revenue can be generated, but that's not a reason to be making zoning decisions.

"The height restrictions are of great importance to people who live next to the site. Even restricting it to 45 feet makes it too high. The council rejected the Sunrise plans for just that reason," he said, referring to a senior assisted living complex previously proposed for the site.

Councilwoman Vicki Granger voted with the majority.

"The planning commission has spent hours upon hours working on revising this ordi-nance," she said. "It's incumbent upon this council to go with their recommendation and approve this ordinance."

Approval of the revised ordinance will allow the current property owner, ANK Enterprises, to complete the sale of the property to Beztak Companies, which plans to build an upscale senior apartcomplex on the ment property.

Young artists save scenes of summer

◆ The

Edsel and

Eleanor Ford

estate

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

Hala Besmar has given her voung art students a unique challenge as summer draws to a close and an equally unique the Grosse Pointe Art Center reward for those who participate.

As founder of the Fine Arts for Kids program at the Grosse Pointe Art Center, 15001 Kercheval, Besmar has tasked her nearly 300 students, ages 6 to 14, with putting to paper, be it a sketch or a painting, something they remember from a summer experience.

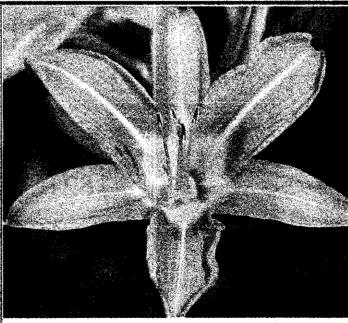
"I have asked them to show me something special that inspired them over the summer," Besmar said. "Normally in our classes I tell them what to draw, it as a wonderful opportunity

direct them, oversee them. I for our young artists." want them now to depend on themselves and to show me what they see."

Their completed works will be a "show within a show" at Saturday, Aug. 23. The children's exhibit will be shown along with Our Rivers, Our Lakes, the current exhibit at the center.

The show is juried, something in which children don't usually participate. Judges are Rosemary Bay, Grosse Pointe Art Center member and Wisam Sirdenis, a Detroit Artists Market board member.

"Both were delighted to participate when I approached them," said Besmar. "They saw



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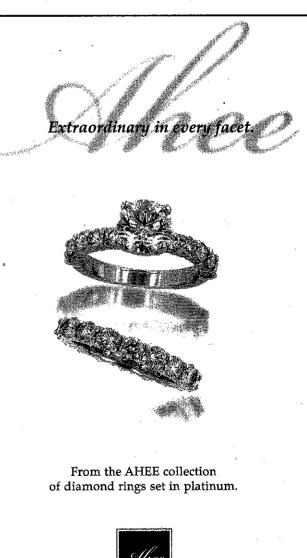
Submissions are 8-by-10 inches and set in a simple frame.

"I really wanted it to be about the art, nothing else," she explained. "I have told the kids that it can be a flower, a butterfly - even a marshmallow be-

ing roasted over a fire," she said.

"I just want it to be through their eyes, their own inspiration."

A special viewing of the children's exhibit and Our Rivers, Our Lakes will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23.





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NEWS

POINTER OF INTEREST

Doctor of rock and roll

By Beth Quinn Staff Writer

If the title of Jason Schmitt's doctoral dissertation, "Like the Last 30 Years Never Happened: Understanding Detroit Rock Music through Oral History," is any indicator, it might be something even the most uninspired student might read.

"I probably have one of the most interesting dissertations in the whole world," he said.

The Grosse Pointe Park resident completed and defended his thesis earlier this year while earning a Ph.D in mass communications from Bowling Green University.

In his paper, Schmitt answers the question, "How could a region in economic turmoil be one of the most productive artistically in the country?"

The thesis focuses on the plight of the region in the post-Motown decades from the mid-1960s to now.

"Even though the economy is not great," Schmitt said, "music and artists are flourishing.'

He noted that despite metro Detroiters feeling the pinch in their wallets, many are still shelling out money to attend concerts.

"DTE (Energy Music Theatre) books twice as many shows as other outside music venues," Schmitt said. "It averages around 60, while most average 30-some shows a year."

Not only is Schmitt's subject matter unorthodox, but his research method was not standard academic fare. He spent a year interviewing several of Detroit's music and cultural leaders.

"I got my information straight from the horse's mouth," he said. "I used primary sources — not secondary Economic ones like most academic pa- Council.

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For his doctoral dissertation from Bowling Green University, Jason Schmitt investigates the reasons why Detroit's music scene is thriving even though the region's economy is suffering. He gathered his information by interviewing several of Detroit's most notable rock and roll leaders including producer Don Was, above.

"He is a big fan of Detroit

Many rockers also consider

The 210-page dissertation

He quotes Nugent who said,

pers."

Schmitt sat down and talked to Detroit's rock royalty including musicians Kid Rock, Ted Slash of Guns N' Roses. Nugent, Mitch Ryder and MC5's Wayne Kramer rock," said Schmitt.

He also met other major Detroit audiences to be "the players of the Motor City mubest in the world," according sic scene including producer Don Was, concert promoter Schmitt who previously worked for Atlantic Records. Russ Gibbs, former MC5 manager John Sinclair, DJ Dan Carlisle, poster artist Gary lays out four themes answer-Grimshaw, photographer Tom ing why Detroit rock thrives Wright, Jim Diamond, who even though the area isn't. produced several White Schmitt first argues that Stripes albums, Tom Wilson of Detroit has an ingrained defi-Palace Entertainment and Jim ance of popular trends that the Townsend of Detroit's Tourism rest of the country readily em-Development braces.

For an outsider's perspective "All Detroit artists can be deof Detroit, he flew to California fined by one word - and that to interview guitar legend is defiance."

"Detroit is its own little entity," he said. "It has an ingrained attitude — the ideas that were important in the 1960s are important today."

Detroit rockers aren't concerned about being tops in pop music, Schmitt said. "They don't care about being

the next Brittany Spears," he said. According to Schmitt this

defiance has a created a specific Detroit sound - the raspiness of voices and lyrics filled with social commentary which spans the decades.

sound and messages are nearly identical," he said.

has an edge - MC5, Ted Nugent, Kid Rock, Eminem," Schmitt said. "Life is tougher here. Just travel down Jefferson and you see that it's not exactly easy."

thoughts with him.

Schmitt, left, said all the rockers including MC5's Wayne

Kramer, right, were very gracious about sharing their

He added that Detroit rock's success rate over the past 45 years doesn't provide an incentive for change.

"No need to change that tone. It's still getting through to a large audience," Schmitt said.

The thesis' third theme states that the Detroit musical community is very supportive of young rockers.

Schmitt guotes Kid Rock who said, "Michigan, Detroit is "From MC5 to Kid Rock, the as strong, if not stronger than a Texas, than a New York, than a Boston or Chicago where people are extremely proud to be from here. Detroit supports tural and artistic values everything that goes on -- from the cars, to the sport teams to the musicians."

known groups, Schmitt said.

He quotes Nugent who said, "Here it is in 2007 and the whole country is controlled by a couple (of) people about what can be played on the radio, except W-R- I- (expletive) F. Detroit wouldn't allow control [like that] by an outside influence.'

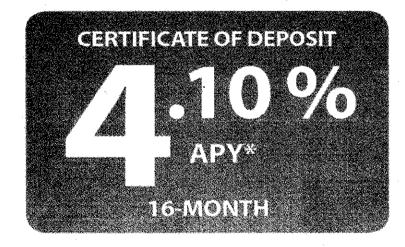
"There is a massive amount of live shows in the Detroit area, so young groups get a lot of exposure," Schmitt said.

Successful artists such as Kid Rock and Eminem also act as mentors for upcoming artists, Schmitt said.

"They are very generous with giving a helping hand with things like recording contracts and publicity," he said.

The final theme focuses on





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The dissertation's next theme states that Detroit's cul-"haven't evolved over the last 30 years."

"Detroit (music) kept staying the same course. It didn't follow trends," Schmitt said.

He said there is a strong correlation between the type of jobs most Detroiters hold and the type of rock music they like.

"Detroiters traditionally work at hard, gritty jobs so they like hard, rocky music," Schmitt said.

"Slash said, 'Every Detroiter

According to Schmitt, it is easier for new bands to get publicity because of the many family-owned media outlets and concert halls in Detroit.

Because radio stations, such as 101 WRIF, and CREEM Magazine were privately owned, they were not controlled by large national conglomerates. This allowed them to take risks by playing and featuring the music of un-

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how the layout of Detroit's suburbs affect developing bands.

Schmitt explained the metropolitan area has isolated pockets of suburbs surrounding Detroit.

"Dan Carlisle said when he listens to audio tapes of new bands from the area, he can immediately hear the difference between a band from Royal Oak versus one from Lincoln Park," Schmitt said.

Since many suburbanites are hesitant to venture into Detroit and there is no mass transit linking the suburbs, there is a lack of interaction between emerging bands. Thus these young bands are forced to find their own voice and style, he said.

"These bands still have the same gritty tone, but they are more uniquely creative," Schmitt said.

Schmitt found the rock legends to be more than hospitable toward him.

He said they enjoyed talking about something other than themselves.

"From my experience with Atlantic Records I know that most of the interviews they give are arranged by the record companies. During these interviews, all they talk about is promoting their current albums," Schmitt said.

He said the rock stars really opened up and gave great insight on the subject.

"So many are smarter than most academics," Schmitt said. "They didn't get to where they are today by being stupid."

While the dissertation's theme was unique, some of the contents probably raised a few eyebrows on its review board.

"I guarantee I have the most swear words of any dissertation in the world," Schmitt said.

However, he said he would be disingenuous if he deleted the rockers' obscenities from their quotes.

"I felt I would be doing them a disservice," Schmitt said. "Their swearing has no power - there's no anger behind it. It's just their verbiage."

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NEWS

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Lexington Road gets new water main

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Sometimes you have to destroy a water main to save it. So, pretty soon pipes are going to be burst open all over Lexington Road between Mack and Chalfonte.

The pipe-bursting method of replacing mains causes less disruption than the traditional method of digging trenches and replacing lines.

basically," said Tom Biehl, prin-Farms' consulting engineers, Hubble, Roth & Clark

Construction is expected to be finished by Nov. 15.

"Pipe bursting is done by inserting a bursting head into the next to a tree, you damage its old pipe and fracturing it by way of either a pneumatic, hydraulic or static pull," said Edward Zmich, HRC project receive temporary water serengineer. "Pipe bursting greatly

excavation needed to install the cipal partner of Grosse Pointe new water main. Pipe bursting also reduces the potential for damages to tree roots, and minimizes landscape, driveway and lawn damage."

> "If you try to work open cut roots," Biehl added.

During an estimated one month of work, residents will vice through above-ground tractors are looking for work,"

"You put pipe inside of a pipe, reduces the amount of open cut lines connected to each house's Biehl said. outside faucet, according to Zmich.

> Farms officials this month Farms for the last two years," awarded the job to Pamar Enterprises. Pamar beat three competitors for a low-bid contract of \$301,652.

Biehl was surprised that the bid wasn't higher, despite increased costs of materials.

"The bidding climate is pretty good right now because con-

Pipe-bursting isn't new. "We've been doing it in the

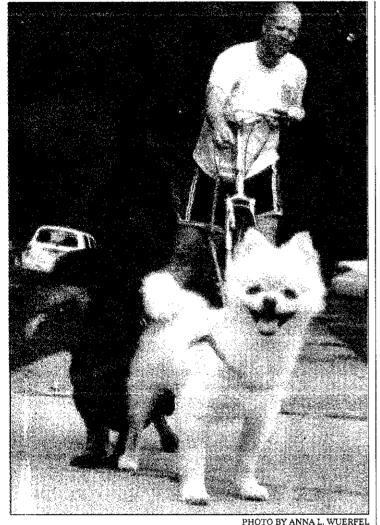
Biehl said. "It all went well," said Scott Homminga, Farms water superintendent. "We haven't had to come back and fix any work."

Lexington was chosen for this year's project because of its maintenance record.

"We look at age and, most

significantly, the number of breaks," said Shane Reeside. city manager. Construction will require digging some holes.

"Open cuts will be made at service connections," Zmich said. "Additionally, existing water main sections exhibiting concrete encasements or enveloping tree roots will need to be open cut as well as sections in close proximity to underground utility lines."



Walking the dog

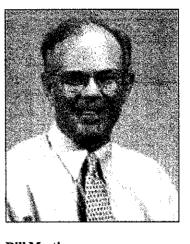
McKenzie, a mini dachshund, and Flannery, a Pomeranian, take their owner, Brian Vladu, of Grosse Pointe Farms, for a walk around the block.

Chamber hosts U of M athletic director

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts Bill Martin, University of Michigan athletic director at noon Thursday, Sept. 11 at Country Club of Detroit.

Martin has been the university's athletic director since March 6, 2000, is a U-M alumnus and founder and chairman of the board of Bank of Ann Conservancy since 1981 and Arbor. Martin earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio, in 1962, and a graduate degree in economics from the University of Stockholm, Sweden, in 1963. He received his M.B.A. from the U-M in 1965.

In 1968, Martin founded First Martin Corp., a diversified real estate construction, development and management firm that has developed 35 major office, commercial, industrial and residential projects in Ann Arbor. He has served as president of the Washtenaw Land also has been a board member of the Ann Arbor Public Schools Foundation and Washtenaw Technical Middle College, a charter school. Martin has taught courses at Bill Martin Muskingum College, Eastern Michigan University and the **U-M School of Business**



He has been a member of the board of directors of Wittenberg since 1994, and is a member of the Fales Committee of the U.S. Naval Academy.

An avid sailor, Martin was president of the United States Sailing Foundation and also served as president of the U.S. Sailing Association, the national governing body of the sport of sailing, in 1988-91. He has also served on the board of directors of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

The luncheon and presentation fees are \$25 for chamber members, \$30 for non-members. Reservations may be made by calling the chamber at (313) 881-4722.

Discover Mack Days coming soon

are the Discover Mack Days from Avenue Wednesday, Sept. 3 to Saturday, Sept. 6. The special

days are presented by the Grosse Pointe Business & Professional Association of Mack Avenue.

A special kick-off Discover Day is Thursday, Sept. 4, and will showcase merchants'

Back by popular demand items to buy or sample for free.

A give-away will be offered and family-oriented games are planned.

The musical group, Avenue, will perform live from 4 to 8 p.m. on the lawn of Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall.

For more information, vivist gpbusmack@yahoo.com or call (313) 884-1045.



Disney readers

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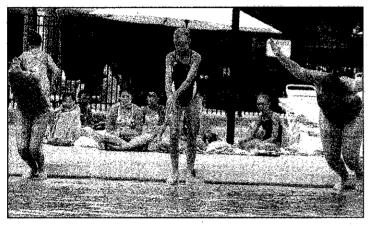
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Rain fails to swamp Neff Park Marina Day



The whole synchronized swim team gets into the show-closing routine from "Rocky Horror Picture Show."



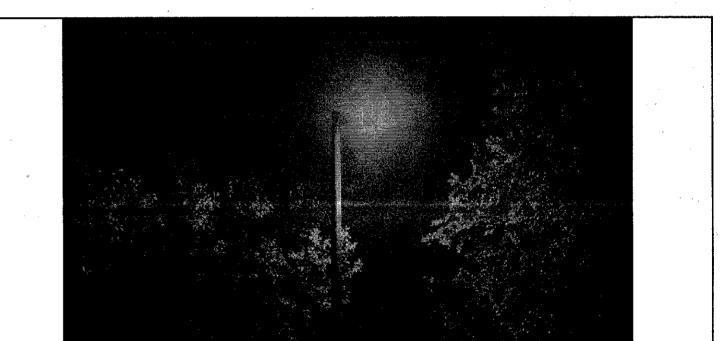
From left, Amanda Schrader, Elise Koelsch and Regan Brandt dive into their swimming routine to "Wicked."



In the cardboard boat race, Keely Benz, 7, and her mother, Diane, crew their gray craft in competition with the crew of a bathtub boat: Bill, Maggie, Jean and Julia Rapai.



Bottom, Andrew Hartz, 13, Brad Foster, 16 and Jeff Sparks, 15



captain their heavy duty paper-based vessel.

Marina Day was celebrated swim show and the cardboard weather.

About 150 people attended the annual event, sponsored by the City parks and recreation department and the tivities had to be moved in-Grosse Pointe Boat Club.

The day was celebrated such as a cardboard boat race, music, food and performances by the synchronized swim team.

this year's turnout notably smaller than last year.

"But, we had a great Day. turnout of the synchronized

at Neff Park regardless of boat races," Hardenbrook said. "We had more participants and boats than in previous years."

Downpours meant some acdoors.

"The band went on and the with games, oddball contests food went on," Hardenbrook said. "We had a really good time"

To celebrate the water wonderland's 1,000 recreational Chris Hardenbrook, park marinas, the Michigan director, said rain storms kept Legislature in 2003 designated the second Saturday in August as Michigan Marina

-Brad Lindberg



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EDITORIAL

88 years of stronger democracy

uesday, Aug. 26, marked the 88th anniversary of the day the U.S. Constitution was amended to grant women the right to vote. The nonpartisan League of Women Voters, formed when women were first granted that right, will mark the occasion with reflections on how far women have come as well as the hope that this year will bring more

Americans into the democratic process.

"This election year has seen an unprecedented rise in the number of new voters, especially women, young people and minorities," said Wilhelmina Giblin, president of the League of Women Voters, Grosse Pointe. "There is a tremendous sense of excitement and energy driving this election.

"Right now leagues across the country are working with several organizations specifically dedicated to reaching out to these rising populations of new voters, making sure that everyone is prepared for Nov. 4."

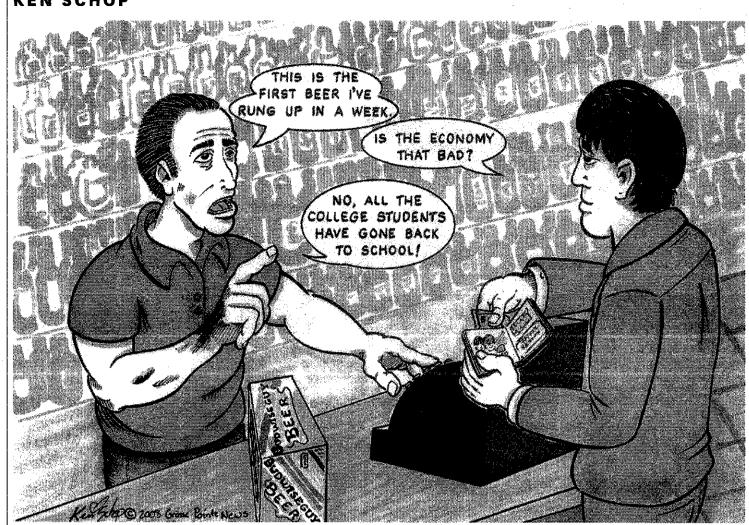
Local league members will participate in the Women's Equality Day rally at the Michigan Women's Historical Center in Lansing Sunday, Aug. 24. The event highlights a new on-the-job training program for women entering male dominated jobs, provides tools to assist women who are interested in running a political campaign and a discussion on current legislation affecting women.

"More and more people are getting motivated and involved, something that league founders would be proud to see: An active, energized voting public fulfilling the destiny of the 19th Amendment," Giblin said. "However, much work is needed. In communities across the country, citizens still lack real representation by their elected officials and the polices they pass. It is only with the continued work by citizens and leaders of all backgrounds that this can change."

Today and especially this election year, it is a time to celebrate the progress achieved by active citizens during the past eight decades. But it is also a time to look at what still needs to be done to make democracy work for all Americans.

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will continue to be the place where hands-on work leads to a better democracy for all.

KEN SCHOP



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Peanut free ball game

To the Editor:

"Take me out to the ball game, take me out to the crowd, Don't buy me any peanuts or Cracker Jack, I don't care if you ever come back" — that is the song that the kids in the "peanut free" suite were belting out at the top of their lungs while at the Detroit Tigers game.

Peanuts are as expected at a major league baseball game as the baseball itself. all the severity of peanut allergies enjoying a major league baseball game that they would never have been able to experience without the generosity of the Detroit **Tigers Organization.**

and "Sunbutter" as an alternative for peanut butter.

We shared stories of our challenges and successes in our day to day battles with the very fatal allergy, all the while, our children enjoyed a wonderful day at the ball park, which otherwise they would never have been able to ever experience safely.

Our Tigers mascot, Paws, even dropped by to sign autographs.

The enormous roar of a win from the Tigers will be remembered forever. Grosse Pointe Woods

We and a number of other to replace the unique talents concert. It was quite early in the evening as it was not intermission yet.

I called the War Memorial and spoke to the director there and was told there would be no "rain check" given since the concert did finish and it did not rain.

When is lightning not considered a reason to close an outdoor concert?

I might add that most of the people there were sitting on metal lawn chairs.

> LESLIE MILLER **Grosse** Pointe Park

G.P. North Choir

To the Editor:

Sad as we are that Grosse Pointe North is losing Mandy and Jed Scott, we are happy that this talented musical couple is looking forward to a new chapter in their lives.

Our sons, Ross, class of the center of Grosse Pointe jam-packed stadium of cheer- 2004, and Ben, 2006, were North High School's cafeteria ing fans, the smell of hotdogs among the many students courtyard was now just a These were children with and popcorn, along with a who benefited from Mandy small tree in the center of and Jed's devotion to the Grosse Pointe North High KATHY GALEOTA School musical community. As parents of young men, we especially appreciate Jed's generosity in working with the Aca Fellas and the work ethic he modeled for the guys. We were not surprised to learn that Mandy is leaving her successor a wealth of plans and background material to help ensure a smooth transition. Her supreme organizationtrack and helped the choirs to earn much richly deserved recognition.

people proceeded to leave the the Scotts brought to every endeavor, we are confident that the choir program will continue to thrive with strong community support.

KATHY AND GREG GARDNER Grosse Pointe Woods

Thanks for **Cooper's Square**

To the Editor:

Approximately two years ago Cooper's Square at Grosse Pointe North High School was vandalized and a tree honoring my late father, Richard Cooper, was cut down.

The vandals were caught and a court case ensued and restitution was made. However, the money paid was not enough to bring Cooper's Square back to the way it had looked for the past 20 years.

The beautiful garden set at

GUEST OPINION By Dale McFeatters Lighter than air

he airline industry has been a seemingly unremitting source of bad news, so this dispatch from Bloomberg News comes as no real surprise: The airlines are contemplating treating the passengers as if they were freight.

You can understand the appeal. Freight doesn't have to be fed. It doesn't complain. Freight doesn't mind sitting at the gate for hours. It isn't bothered by being routed through Atlanta. And freight doesn't care what time it arrives at its destination, although its owners might.

For the passengers, being treated as freight would mean being weighed along with your bags and being charged accordingly.

Fuel can account for as much as 40 percent of an airline's operating costs, and Bloomberg reports that the carriers are doing everything they can to cut fuel usage - reducing the amount of drinking water aboard, flying slower, using lighter china in first class, washing the plane more frequently to cut drag.

One day you may board to find the usual seats have been replaced by aluminum lawn chairs.

Seen in this context, American Airlines' decision to charge \$15 for checked bags may be less about revenue and more about discouraging passengers from bringing them.

Airline travelers are already subject to so many indignities that one more — a public weighing — isn't going to matter. However, in the interest of fairness, the airlines ought to do it this way: Have the scales at the security checkpoint. That way the passenger is weighed without shoes, belt, coat, watch, pocket change, laptop and jewelry and the screeners will already have pitched the burdensome containers, that are more than 3 ounces, from the luggage.

As with Japan Airlines' 20 percent reduction in the weight of the first-class crockery, every little bit counts. Now get on the scale and happy landings.

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The Tigers arranged to have a suite cleaned and Plexiglas installed outside to make it safe for children with peanut allergies to attend a game.

Dr. Steve Knazik, chief of emergency medicine at DMC Children's Hospital of Michigan was on-site in case of an emergency and to answer any questions we parents had. We discussed the "safe" food manufacturers

Lightning during concert

To the Editor:

On Wednesday, July 16, my husband and I were enjoying an outdoor concert at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial when we saw the sky darkening to the north.

As we watched, close to the lake, we saw several bolts of al skills kept the program on lightning strike the lake within a 15 minute period.

We were concerned for our safety.

While it won't be possible

wood chips. The purpose of this letter is

to publicly thank Brett Marshall of Marshall Landscaping and Joni Makowski of Allemon's Landscape Center for stepping forward and donating not just plants, but their personal time and effort to add to Cooper's Square at no cost to the school or my family.

Now just time, sun and water are needed for the square to become a garden once again.

SCOTT COOPER Son of Richard Cooper MARLENE COOPER Wife of Richard Cooper Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By Eric Schneidewind

Health care available to everyone

merican businesses have their backs against the wall and American workers are losing benefits, and in many cases their jobs, because of skyrocketing, out-of-control health care costs.

All across the nation, business leaders, their employees, families, friends and neighbors are starting to say: Enough is enough!

Closely behind this lament are rumblings that something has to be done.

Predictions are that the average Fortune 500 Company will spend as much on health care as it makes in profits by 2008. General Motors already spends more on health care than it spends on steel.

In a Business Roundtable survey of its member CEOs, 58 percent cited health care costs as the greatest pressure point for their businesses. We're losing our edge to

global competitors in countries with lower costs and universal health care.

Americans spent about \$2 trillion on health care last year — more than \$6,000 for every man, woman and child. That's far more than any other industrialized country.

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Small businesses also are feeling the pinch. While premiums rose 7 percent between 2005 and 2006 in firms with more than 200 employees, they rose 8.8 percent across firms with less than 200 workers.

Americans spent about \$2 trillion on health care last year - more than \$6,000 for every man, woman and child. That's far more than any other industrialized country. And costs continue to grow at more than

twice the general inflation rate. Yet we rank well behind other advanced societies in life expectancy and infant mortality.

At the American Association of Retired Persons, we believe that affordable, high quality health care should be available to all Americans. And we believe we can and must get better value for our health care dollar. We need to improve

quality, cut out the waste and focus our resources where they will do the most good.

It's not too late to turn the tide, if we begin addressing these issues now.

AARP has joined with the National Business Roundtable, Service Employees International Union and the National Federation of Independent Business to launch an ambitious initiative called "Divided We Fail."

Accomplishing our goal of affordable quality health care and financial security for all will require the efforts of all of us.

Getting there is going to take the concerted efforts of every sector - health, business, government - and individuals too.

AARP is engaging our members and the public to press for change. We are putting pressure on candidates to make health and financial security the top domestic issues in the presidential campaign.

This is an all-encompassing effort to activate the American people as never before. We're building a public movement, demanding leadership and action on health care.

Americans have an enormous opportunity to compel our nation's leaders to work out common sense, bipartisan solutions so that all of us can have the affordable quality health care we need and deserve.

The stakes are high. If we don't succeed, quality of life ---for present and future generations --- will suffer. And America will have fallen short of its promise.

We need your help to succeed.

Please join us at Divided We Fail, dividedwefail.org, together we can do anything.

Eric Schneidewind serves as the state president for the American Association of Retired Persons in Michigan.



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I SAY By Kathy Ryan

Couch potato vegges on Olympics



or the past few weeks, most television sets have been tuned to stations carrying the Olympic games from Beijing. The biennial celebration of athleticism is a sports junkie's delight and while I'm only a recreational user of ESPN, I have taken in some of the swimming and equestrian events offered up for our viewing pleasure.

One can't help but wonder where these athletes come from and what within their psyche and inner core drives them to strive for the perfection that brings them to the ultimate arena of Olympic com-

Then there is all that practic-

(All right, it's probably safe to say what drove a lot of them were their long-suffering or totally overbearing mothers in mini vans that served as traveling locker rooms and kitchens. Just had to get that plug in for tice? good ol' mom!)

It's not that I'm a total couch potato. I can still swim a lap, though I prefer floating on a noodle. (Don't you wish you had invented those?)

My flashy one-speed (slow) pink Schwinn with the white wall tires might not fare well in the Tour de France, but it does fine between my driveway and the Village. Not that it matters, because I never did look good in yellow anyway, so peddling faster than I can think was never a goal.

And I'll admit that the closest I've ever come to those fancy twists and flips in the gymnastic floor exercise is when I slip on the ice in January.

ing. What's that whole thing about getting up at 4 a.m. to get to the pool or the track or the gym and the 12- and 15-hour days of practice, practice, prac-

In my world that would be boring, boring, boring, not to mention exhausting, exhausting, exhausting.

It's dark at 4 a.m. Go back to bed.

For someone like me who gets winded just typing the word marathon, let alone getting up and running one, it's a bit confounding. Granted, Title IX, the federal legislation that gave girls a level sports playing field with boys, was a bit after my time. OK, several decades after my time.

The all-girls high school I attended stressed academics over athletics. With only a couple of loosely organized teams, sports were pretty much an af-

terthought. But we had physical education classes and given a choice between math and phys ed, gym won every time with me.

I don't remember much from algebra class (just ask my kids about coming to me for help with math homework), but I have fond memories of phys ed.

Our gym uniforms consisted of bloomers. Maroon bloomers. Oh, stop laughing, I didn't make the rules, I just followed them.

Well, sometimes. And thankfully after my freshman year, the bloomers were replaced with a blue jumpsuit tastefully cut to the knee, but without elastic around the leg. All you Mercy girls out there, and there are quite a few of us on this side of town now, know what I'm talking about. Other than the maroon bloomers (did I mention they featured our names embroidered with gold

thread....it was a tasteful touch), my clearest memory of Mrs. Sumrill's gym class was a game called newcomb

The rest of the world played volleyball, but Mercy girls played newcomb. It looked like volleyball, it had a net and a ball and two opposing teams. Balls were served, passed and spiked. Inner arms (not to mention a few noses) bore black and blue marks from trying to return Judy Lanciault's lethal serves, but it was definitely newcomb, NOT volleyball.

Apparently volleyball was the work of the devil, even back then, which could explain how it evolved into today's women's beach volleyball.

Would someone please explain that "sport" to me?

When I go to the beach, I bring a comfortable chair and a book. Apparently it has been decided that sitting is not allowed, but staring, ogling and

drooling definitely is.

Could someone ask those players if their mothers saw what they were wearing before they left the house? Who came up with those uniforms? Hugh Hefner? Poor Mrs. Sumrill is rolling over in her grave.

We should all be pleased that women can now compete on both the playing field and in the board rooms with men. I certainly applaud the giant strides that have been made and appreciate how much better off our daughters and granddaughters are because of the efforts of so many that came before them.

Whether they compete with the inner drive that keeps them focused on Olympic level perfection or just for the sheer joy of being part of a team, they have no idea how lucky they are to have so much available to them.

But for goodness sake, sweeties, put on a shirt.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What do you think would make a good flavor of toothpaste?

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



'I think cookie dough would make a good flavor because I like cookies.' **KELLY BARANEK** Harper Woods



'I think vanilla would be because it is better than mint or bubblegum. Also, almost any ice cream flavor might be good too.' JAMIE BARANEK Harper Woods



'Blueberry would be a good flavor because I like the fruit. Superman ice cream would be good too because I like the taste and the colors.' MATTHEW ABAR Grosse Pointe Park



'There's lots of good flavors already and I like grape mouthwash so I think grape toothpaste would go good with that.' **EMILY MCPHARLIN** Grosse Pointe Woods



'I like a lot of vanilla things so I think vanilla would be a good flavor.' **ERIN HAGGERTY** Grosse Pointe Woods

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FYI By Ben Burns

Pointer reaches his 'field of dreams



t's a long, long road from playing Little League baseball at Elworthy Field in the City to playing second base for the Chicago White Sox, a team in pennant contention.

But Chris Getz realized that dream last week and got his first major league hit with his parents - Art and Betsyhigh school baseball coach and assorted Grosse Pointe friends and fans in the stands.

To give you an idea of how tough that road is, Grosse Pointe South's Coach Dan Griesbaum, viewed as one of the best baseball coaches in Michigan, is seeing for the first time in a quarter century one of his players make it to the majors, according to newspaper reports.

Getz got that first hit in his first at-bat as a pinch hitter last Tuesday night, netting him a standing ovation from fans. He got his first start on Wednesday night at second base and assisted in a fifth inning rally with a hit-and-run single, according to the Chicago Tribune reporter.

It was an early birthday pre-

sent for the 6-foot tall, 175 lb. Getz, who bats left and throws right. He will be 25 Aug. 30.

After Getz stroked that single Tuesday night, The Detroit News concluded it was hard to tell who was more excited -----Getz or Griesbaum, who was in the stands.

Getz was hitting .306 with 24 doubles and 11 stolen bases at Triple-A Charlotte when the Sox called him up.

At South, Getz was a three time all-Michigan choice, the Blue Devils' MVP as a sophomore and senior, holds the South career record for batting average (.465) doubles, stolen bases, walks and saves.

He led South to a state championship as a junior and lettered in football and golf.

Getz played college ball one year at Wake Forest where his dad attended college and his final years at the University of Michigan.

At Michigan, he holds the single season Big Ten records for at-bats and hits and was an All Big Ten selection in 2004 and 2005.

In the Sox minor leagues, Getz has had stops on four teams before being called up from Charlotte.

Sox Manager Ozzie Guillen told the Chicago Tribune: "We'll give him a shot (next spring) at least to be on the ball club. I like the way he plays. I like the way he does stuff."

Getz told Tribune reporter Dave van Dvck that he is realistic about his time in the big leagues, knowing he may be headed back to the minors when Joe Crede comes off the disabled list.

"I'm trying to keep things as simple as possible," he told van Dyck. "If I get caught up in that stuff, it probably would get a little overbearing.

"I'm going to go out and hustle and put some good bats together, play some defense and hopefully I can make some sort of positive influence on the team.

"Hopefully I can stick around."

Regular second baseman Alexei Ramirez pretended to throw Getz's first major league hit ball into the stands, but it was a joke he played on his new teammate.

"Cabrera was playing a trick on me," Getz said. And that is a good sign he is being accepted.

Sushi bar

Park freelancer Lucy Ament reports on the Metromode Media Web site that Ronin, a downtown Royal Oak sushi bar, is run by Grosse Pointe native Jim Hayosh.

Hayosh returned to southeast Michigan and the 326 West 4th Street location after 10 years as a restaurateur in Arizona.

Ronin reportedly has been

nominated for "Best Sushi Restaurant of the Year."

For those of us who don't go around greeting friends good morning with "ohio gozaimus," Ronin is Japanese for a freelance samurai warrior.

God's telephone

Yvonne Barnard, a trustee for Services for Older Citizens and frequent president of the Harper Woods Rotary Club, sends along this apocryphal, but amusing story gleaned from the Internet:

"A man in Topeka, Kansas decided to write a book about churches around the country. He started by flying to San Francisco and worked east from there.

"Going to a very large church, he began taking photographs and making notes. He spotted a golden telephone on the vestibule wall and was intrigued with a sign, which read 'Calls \$10,000 a minute.'

"Seeking out the pastor, he asked about the phone and the sign. The pastor answered that this golden phone was, in fact, a direct line to heaven, and if he paid the price, he could talk directly to God.

"The man thanked the pastor and proceeded on his way. As he continued to visit churches in Seattle, Dallas, St. Louis, Chicago, Minneapolis and other cities around the United States, he found more

phones, with the same sign, and got the same answer from each pastor.

"Finally he arrived at a church in Traverse City in northern Michigan and behold, he saw the same golden telephone. But this time the sign read, 'Calls 35 cents.' Fascinated, he asked to talk to the pastor. 'Reverend, he said, 'I have been in cities all across the country, and in each church I have found this golden telephone.

"I have been told it is a direct line to Heaven and that I could talk to God. But in the other churches the cost was \$10,000 a minute. Your sign reads only

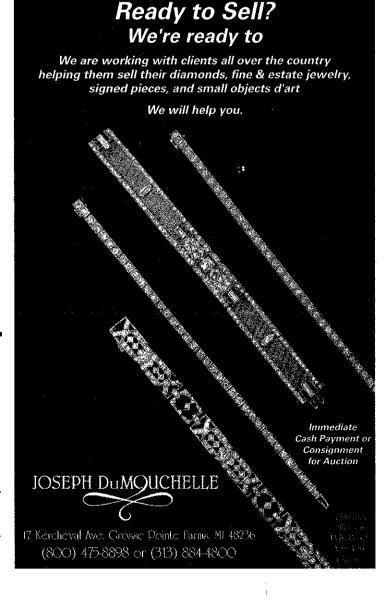
35 cents a call. Why?' "The pastor, smiling benign-

ly, replied, 'Son, you're in northern Michigan. This is God's country. It's a local call'."

Error

A sharp-eyed reader noted that I referred to Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church on Mack in an item recently as Grosse Pointe Woods Memorial Church. It was a spiritual slip. My wife and I attend Grosse Pointe Memorial on Lakeshore, which is also a Presbyterian Church and I had a Freudian moment.

My apologies to the good folks at Woods Presbyterian.



What's after 'Enforcement First'?

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GUEST OPINION By Roger E. Hernandez

"Enforcement first." The phrase sounds so forcefully nononsense that 10 Republican senators formed something called the "Border Security and Enforcement First Caucus.

The group wants to "let Americans know that some in the U.S. Senate are continuing to make sure that the laws already on the books will be enforced."

These guys want enforcement only. That is going to fail. Only comprehensive immigration reform can begin to do anything about the more than 12 million people illegally living and working in the United

States. The fence is a waste of money. Like New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson has said, "If you're going to build a 12-foot wall, you know what's going to happen? A lot of 13-foot ladders."

Yet the Bush administration insists on spending no one really knows how much on a border wall.

The U.S. government will disrupt wildlife, trample landowners' property rights, and make itself look like an East Germany in reverse to spend billions on a wall most illegal immigrants will get past anyway.

Roger Hernandez is a writerin-residence at New Jersey Institute of Technology.

NEWS





PHOTO BY PATTI THEROS

Cutting the ribbon to open the 2008 Greek fest and observance of its 80th anniversary, are from left, St. Clair Shores Mayor Robert Hison, Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke, Jeff Bravton of the Metro East Chamber of Commerce, parish president George Petroleaus, Kathy Hix of the Metro East Chamber of Commerce, His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit, associate priest Father Tom Michalos, Father Michael Varlamos, the festival's chairman George Diamon, parish councilman Jim Koukios, parish councilman Jim Koukioscouncil Grosse Pointe Woods councilmembers Vicki Granger and Pete Waldmeir and Assumption Cultural Center director Joan DeRonne.

Greek community continues to share

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

It was a special celebration for the Assumption Greek community last weekend.

Observing its 80th anniversary serving the Greek Orthodox family, the parish which borders Grosse Pointe Woods and St. Clair Shores, opened its doors to the community for its annual festival Aug. 16 to share its unique traditions and cultures.

This date is significant to the Greeks, explained Father Varlamos Michael of Assumption because it is the dormition day of Mary, the Feast of the Assumption. The date is observed as the day when Mary "fell asleep in the



Lord and became the mother of us all today," he said.

Beginnings of the parish were humble, said St. Clair Shores Mayor Robert Hison. For two years, parishioners worshiped in members homes before renting a building in 1930. The parish remained on Beniteau until the structure here opened in 1983 and was nearly rebuilt after a fire in 2002 to serve more than 1,000 parish families.

"We reached out to the entire community," Varlamos said. We minister to all people who profess the orthodox faith."

The parish is a positive influence on the community, he continued. Its mission is to bring "Christian values, values coming from an ancient voice; an ancient wise and good voice of the church of Christ. We are preaching the gospel of the peace of Christ."

It was the intention of many who emigrated to return to their homeland, explained His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit.

"They worked hard at low level jobs," he said. But their children and grandchildren were here, thus the establishment of a Greek community with its traditions and customs. One emphasis of this ethnic group is education.

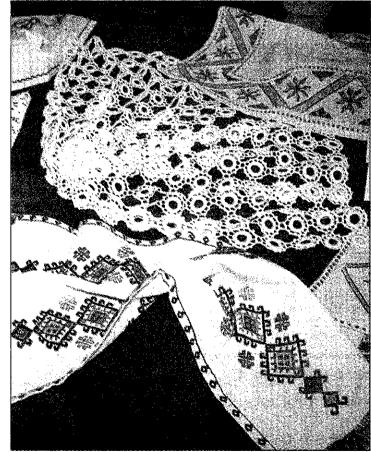
"You see they are college graduates and are responsible. They work to do their best, they always excel," he said.

Education continues to be of major importance to this community in its outreach programs which include a nurserv school and community education programs, some provided by Macomb Community College.

According to the Cultural Center's director Joan De Ronne, the nursery program takes children 12 months through preschool and has a waiting list of 140. During its initial years, the program incorporated feedback from public school officials on what kindergarteners should know and has maintained that educational status.

PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Soteri Michalos of Grosse Pointe Farms and Theo Niforos of the City of Grosse Pointe wait their turn to dance.



Hand embellished linens were part of the historical families' displays.

Also affiliated are exercise programs for as well as a Christmas tea.

with mothers and toddlers all the Assumption is a day care, a way through senior citizens. It computer lab and computer has a catering service and travtraining, both with credit and el programs. The Senior Expo noncredit from MCC. There is hosted at the Cultural Center,

NEWS

'To-die-for' auction caps Hill fair offerings

Organizers of the Racing For Kids charity auction anticipate bidders to be as pumped up as pistons in an Indy car engine.

"We have some great auction items," said Pat Wright, Racing For Kids executive director.

The auction is 6 to 9 p.m. Northern Trust Building, 120 Kercheval on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets cost \$75 per person in advance and \$85 at the door.

Money raised benefits Racing For Kids. The nearly 20-year-old national charity has provided \$5 million in support of children's health care needs.

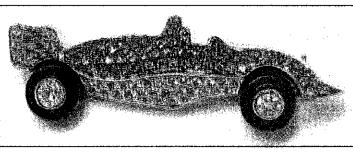
Robbie Buhl, a native Grosse Pointer and co-owner of Dreyer & Reinbold Racing team in the Indy Racing League, is Racing For Kids' national spokesman.

The event's honorary chairpersons are Francee and Wednesday, Aug. 27, at the Benson Ford Jr. of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Auction items include:

◆ A Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix package for four, including grandstand seats, infield passes, full infield hospitality, pace car rides around the race famed racing artist, Bill track and tours of the garage and pit areas.

◆ Official racing helmet autographed by Indy Car Series



Auction items include this jeweled pin that Dan LaLonde made to match the Racing For Kids logo.

Patterson.

◆ Woman's spa package with Vera Bradley luggage, manicure, pedicure, facial, massage, hair cut and hair care products.

◆ Weekend in Manhattan at a Trump Tower luxury apartment overlooking Central

Wright said.

♦ An ultimate sports fan package with tickets to the Detroit Lions, Pistons and Red Wings, plus University of Michigan and Michigan State University football tickets.

"It's a to-die-for package," Wright said.

 \bullet A 1/4-page advertisement in the Grosse Pointe News.

The following restaurants will provide gourmet fare: The Hill Seafood & Chop House, Lucy's Tavern on the Hill, Jumps, Cafe Nini, Bambu and Fresh Farms Market.

Auction sponsors are: ◆ Pole position sponsor: Apex Conference and Karting Center.

• Front row sponsors: Firestone, Leonard and Company, Northern Trust, Development Russell

Company and UBS Financial Services.

• Finish line sponsors: Health Plan of Michigan, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, Merrill Lynch, Smith Barney/Sean Moran and the Hill Association.

• Members of the honorary committee are: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Buhl, Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Buhl, Mr. and Mrs. James Brock, James Farquhar, Marita Grobbel, Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Mandel and Al Speyer.

◆ Steering committee members are: Co-chairpersons Ed Russell and Tom Buhl, commitmembers tee Kristen Townsend Buisch, Kathleen Conway, Julie Corbett, Linda Finger, Susan Hanawalt, Mary Huebner, Dan LaLonde, Mary Wells, Debby Wright and Pat Wright.

Racers raise \$5 million

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Racing For Kids has donated \$5 million to hospitals and child health organizations since being founded 19 years ago, according to Pat Wright, the charity's executive director.

"About 90 percent of money raised stays in the communities where it is raised," Wright said.

He said most donations were used to buy hospital playroom equipment or for a specific need identified by each institution.

"The best medicine doesn't always come from a prescrip-tion bottle," Wright said. "Sometimes it's a game, toy or craft project that helps a child forget that he or she might be in pain, lonely or frightened."

Robbie Buhl, a former Indy car driver and Grosse Pointe native, has been Racing For Kids' national spokesman since 1990.

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Japan. More than 15,000 young patients in nearly 400 hospitals have received visits during the charity's lifetime.

"Doctors who care for these youngsters say that these visits are an important part of each child's recovery therapy," said Dr. William Pinsky, a pediatric cardiologist, and Racing For Kids founder.

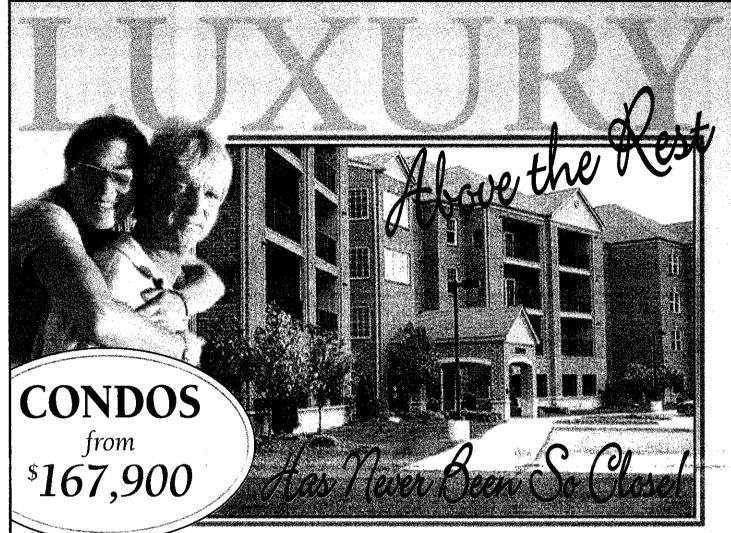
Buhl and his drivers -Buddy Rice, Milka Duno and Townsend Bell - make hospital visits during runups to race weekends.

"They are really good with kids," Wright said. "They make these visits from their hearts. The kids know that."

Other drivers who have made hospital visits on behalf of Racing For Kids include former Buhl drivers Sarah Fisher, Ryan Briscoe, Buddy Lazier, Roger Yasukawa and Felipe Giaffone and members of other teams, such as Danica Patrick and Hideki Mutoh from Andretti Green Racing.

"Racing For Kids is a really Last year, Buhl and drivers good charity," Buhl-said. rom his Indianapolis-based "Next year, we'll be celebrat-Indy car team, Dreyer & ing our 20th year. Nobody can

For auction tickets or to dodren's hospitals in cities along nate to Racing For Kids, call the Indy Racing League circuit Kathleen Conway at (313)



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"It will be a treasured item."

RACING: Kids finish in first place

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ticulate."

Following their Farms appearance, the team will race in the Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix, Sunday, Aug. 31.

The Hill street fair precedes a luxury auction benefiting Racing For Kids.

"This is the second year we've done it on the Hill," Buhl said. "The Grosse Pointe and Detroit area is the original home of Racing For Kids."

Last year's Hill auction netted nearly \$30,000 out of \$200,000 the charity donated during 2007 to children's hospitals and child health organizations in the United States, according to Wright.

He plans for more of the and more. same this year.

"We're going to benefit Children's Hospital and, as we Hospital of Michigan, Henry Ford Hospital pediatric operations, and Beaumont Hospital of Grosse Pointe."

"Early indications are that everybody's really pumped up for this," Wright said. "The Hill gotten behind it. Merchants and restaurants are supporting monds." it big time."

The Hill business district has been decorated with black and white checkered racing flags and pennants.

"We're setting up the Richard School parking lot for kids entertainment," said Mary Wells, head of the Hill Association and member of the event steering committee.

The rundown

Francee and Benson Ford Jr. of Grosse Pointe Shores will serve as the event's honorary Kathleen chairpersons of the auction.

"Ben's been a tremendous backer of Racing For Kids over the years," Wright said. Daytime attractions include

a display of high-performance automobiles, the Firestone Firehawk mascot, Roscoe the Clown, music by Whack the Mole, a moonwalk, sidewalk sales, free popcorn and snocones, sidewalk sales and a racetrack game for children.

"Kids go around the track to participating stores and get a stamp," Wells said. "They'll end up at the Racing For Kids tent and get a prize."

Bella Čafe will cater food and drinks.

From 6 to 9 p.m., the focus shifts to an open-bar cocktail reception and auction at the Northern Trust Building, 120 Kercheval. Tickets cost \$75 per person in advance and \$85 at the door.

Items up for bid include VIP tickets to the Detroit Grand Prix, fancy vacation packages

An original Racing For Kids jeweled pin handmade by Dan LaLonde of LaLonde Jewelers did last year, Children's matches the charity's race car logo.

"The top of the logo is purple, so we put amethysts across the top," LaLonde said. "The bottom of the car is yellow, so we put yellow sapphires in it. The tail of the car Association and Grosse Pointe is made of rubies, which are Chamber of Commerce have red. The tires are black onyx with hubcaps made of dia-

He said the 14-karat white gold pin has a retail value of \$3,500 and would be perfect for a woman to wear on a blouse or jacket. "I like the concept of Racing For Kids," LaLonde said. "It's a well-rewarding venture."

"It's a sharing experience," Wells said. "Not only is this going to be a fun event, but the proceeds go for something that's great for children."

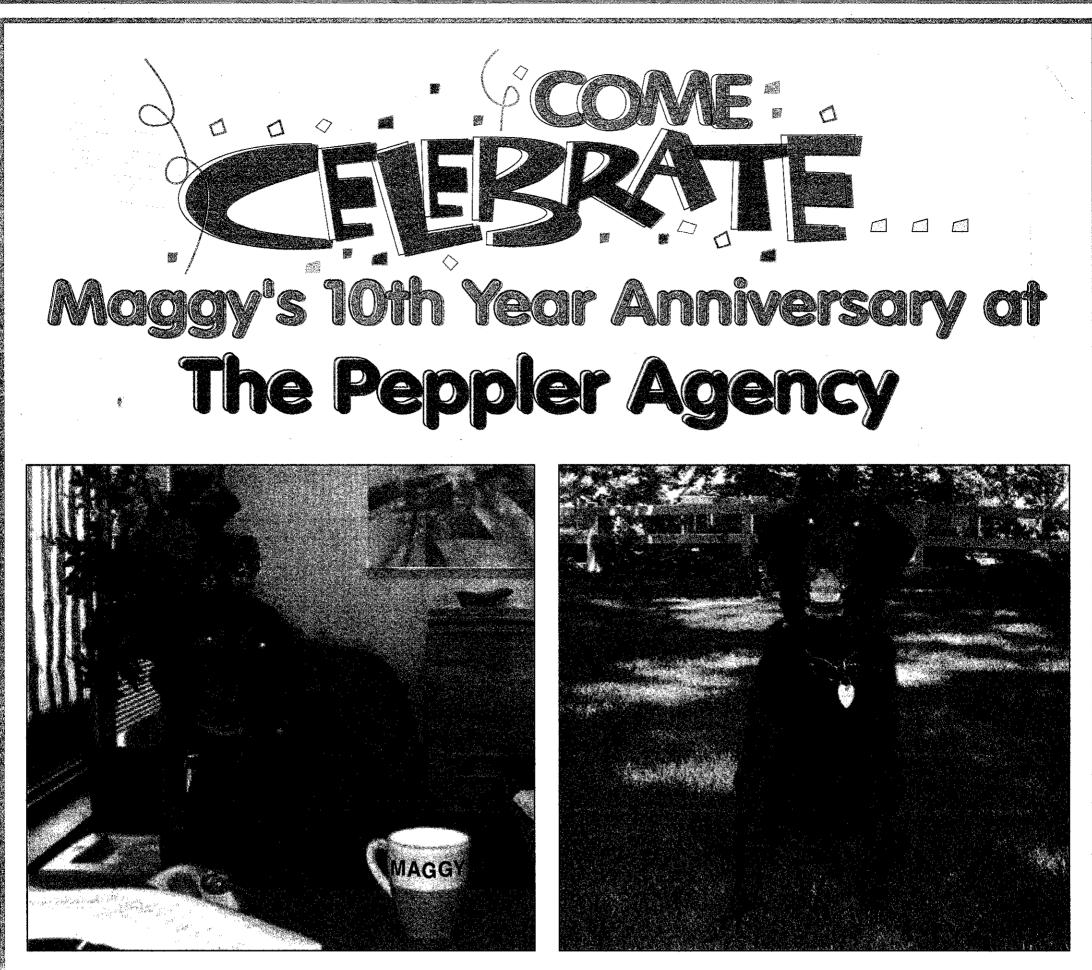
For auction tickets or to donate to Racing For Kids, call Conway at (313) 882-3403.

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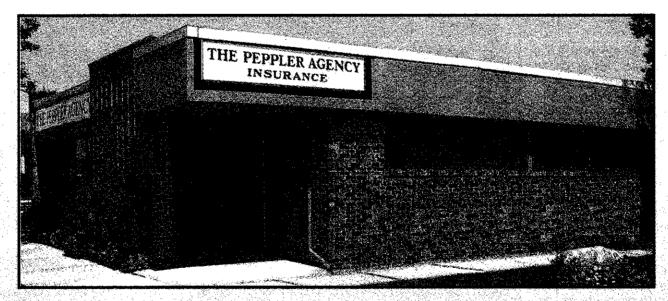




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Academy's renovations earn kudos

By Beth Quinn Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Academy is receiving accolades and awards for the recent preservation and renovation of its main academic building.

The academy was recently selected by School Planning & Management Magazine as one of its 2008 Impact on Learning Award winners, beating out dozens of other schools from across North America.

As the winner of the historic preservation category, the project will be featured on the cover of the magazine's August 2008 issue. It will also be showcased in a special section about the award winners.

"This year's winners represent a cross section of the best new construction and renovation projects in the U.S.," said Jerry Enderle, the magazine's editor-in-chief. "The Grosse Pointe Academy project was among those recognized for solving real-world problems through innovative design, engineering, and technology solutions.'

The 36-month-long project was also featured in the June 2008 edition of the School Planning & Management's Education Design Showcase.

"Good designs don't just happen," said Thomas P. McGinley, special projects manager for the showcase. "They are created due to the



COURTESY OF FANNING HOWEY ASSOCIATES INC

The Grosse Pointe Academy has been praised for the renovation of its main academic building. The library, above, which was previously an auditorium, features a barrel-vaulted ceiling and restored ornamental wood arches and paneling. It is enhanced by computer research capabilities, natural light and a story time stage for younger children.

On the third floor, right, an attic was converted into art studios and classrooms. Windows and skylights infuse the space with natural light. A display wall provides space to showcase students' work.

Each project may be unique; yet they all share one common Libraries Magazine. goal: To provide the best possible learning environment for all students at all levels of education. The Grosse Pointe arches, pendant and sconce Academy's project has achieved this goal."

hard work of the district, the of an auditorium into a library

2008 issue of American

The project restored and preserved the 2,800-squarefoot room's original wood lighting, windows and wainscoting, while adding supplethe school's transformation mental and task lighting. A performance stage was con-

architect and the community. was also featured in the April verted into a young children's reading area.

The educational planning and interior design were led by Fanning Howey Associates Inc., with Frank Rewold & Sons Inc. serving as construction project manager.

preservation was overseen by

Gunn Levine Architects. Grissim Metz Andriese Associates oversaw the building landscape architecture.

A major goal of the \$12 million project was to update, yet preserve the 78-year-old building.

"The vision of The Grosse Pointe Academy was to bring a modern learning environment to its historic Moran (main school) building; and to do so without impacting the school's Lighting design was by Peter striking Gothic exterior," said Basso Associates Inc. Historic Theo Pappas, project architect. "A phased renovations

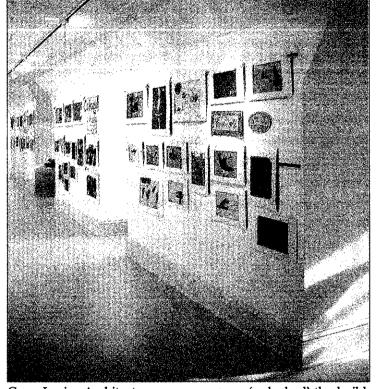
program 'unlocked' the building by rearranging program areas and reclaiming space for education."

The renovated classrooms are 200 to 250 square feet larger than their predecessors. Each is equipped with new computers and a plasma television, and have more storage space.

New lighting was installed to reduce energy costs.

The building's original lead class windows, massive wooden doors and Welsh tile were restored and preserved.

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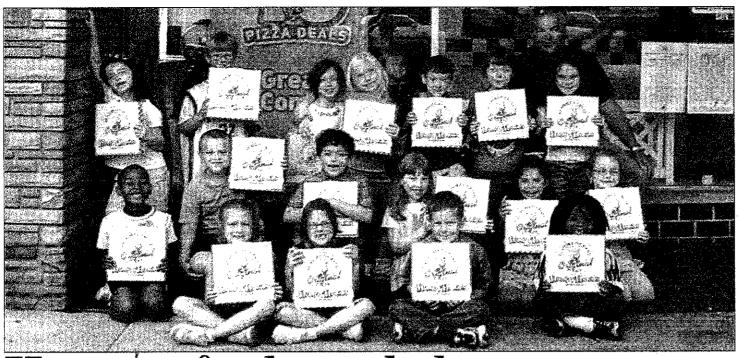
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Michelle Hunwick's first grade from Maire Elementary took a field trip to Hungry Howie's Pizza store in Grosse Pointe Woods owned by Ed Jackman, father of first-grader Will Jackman. The trip was a hands-on learning experienc coinciding with the class's economic unit related to food. At the end of the trip the group posed for a photograph. From the back row left are Adriana Agosta, Alex Hartz, Keely Benz, Melody Balos, Christian Cimini, Michael Alameida, Helen Dodge and Jackman. In the middle row are George Ivey, Will Jackman, Gabe Omilian, Rachael Homminga, Carly Orhan, Evelyn Pacifici. In the front are Lindsey Shrader, Olla Reisen. Stefan Trifunovic and Ajany Simpson.



Show choir performs 'That's Entertainment'

Pointe students in the Grosse Pointes will perform in the Summer Show Choir's "That's Entertainment" at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 23, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tickets for both performances are \$15 for the main

More than 200 Grosse floor, \$12 for the balcony and \$8 for balcony seating for seniors and students.

Tickets are available at Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kercheval in the Village, online at tickets@gpsouthchoir.org, or by contacting Jenny Train at (313) 884-8539 or Kathy Manos at (313) 885-9343.

- Beth Quinn

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PHOTO COURTESEY MARY HUEBNER **Prather Management**

Prather Investment Management in business since 2004, has relocated to 377 Fisher, Suite H, City of Grosse Pointe. At the recent grand opening, a ribbon cutting ceremony was celebrated with Vice President Susan Quilter Prather, Mayor Dale Scrace, President Ken Prather, and Mary Huebner president of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Prather Investment Management provides private money management services for individual investors, retirement plans and foundations. For more information call (313) 884-5961.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Police try a Dodge

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms' top man in blue has pledged loyalty to the blue oval, but is keeping his options open in case his favorite automaker leaves him no choice.

"As long as I'm director of public safety and have a role in deciding what types of cars we use, the majority of our fleet will always be Fords," said Dan in traffic enforcement and as a Jensen. "Their cars have al-

outstanding to the community," Jensen said.

But their cars, namely beefed-up Crown Victoria police interceptors which constitute 80 percent of police cruisers nationwide, may be on the corporate chopping block.

"We've heard rumors that Ford may not have it anymore," Jensen said.

The department's forthcoming Dodge will have a dual role test bed.

Vic sales would be limited to fleets, not individual consumers.

Industry soothsayers interpreted the move as the start of a slow death sentence justified by general sales of the rearwheel drive sedan dropping by half over the last decade.

"Ford guaranteed (production of) the Crown Vic to 2111, but we thought this was a good time to try a Dodge," said Officer Frank Zielinski, assigned to evaluate police cars



Dog tub

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce celebrated the opening of G. P. Dog Wash, 19583 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Owned and operated by James Mixen, dog owners can wash their dog in a custom tub complete with drying facilities. The facility is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday through Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesdays. The business is closed Thursdays. With Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce President Mary Huebner are, from left, Mixen, Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke and membership services director for the chamber, Jenny Boettcher



ways exceeded our needs.

cars Jensen recently ordered for his department includes one that around these parts constitutes a foreign nameplate: Dodge.

The Dodge family hasn't tunity to try one." lived in the Pointes for decades. Fords live in the Farms and Shores.

"We're doing it on a trial ba-Yet, the batch of five police sis," Jensen said. "We have no idea firsthand on reliability, or if it will break down and cost us more money. We don't want to be caught without knowing anything, so we have an oppor-

Concerns about the supply of Crown Victorias date to at least 2006. Ford announced "The Ford family has been that beginning this year Crown

prior to purchase.

The four new Ford interceptors are being purchased from Al Long Ford.

The dealership's net bid of \$62,467 was lower than three competitors and included trade-in value.

A Dodge Charger outfitted for police purposes is being bought from Colonial Dodge for a net cost of \$10,983.

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I'm Herb Porter. This is my wife, Eva. I'm 55, she's 53. We put 3 kids through college by borrowing from by borrowing from our retirement Savings. Our retirement Savings. With their futures on track With their futures on track its time us gave some thought to our own.



Henry Ford Hospital hires hospitality administrator

Sven Gierlinger of Grosse Pointe Park has been appointed administrator of hospitality services at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital.

In this newly created position, he will be responsible for achieving a high quality of services, including environmental, nutrition, property management and facility development. For the past two years, Gierlinger has been the vice president of museum operations at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

His accomplishments include coordination of the recently completed \$158 million renovation of the DIA.

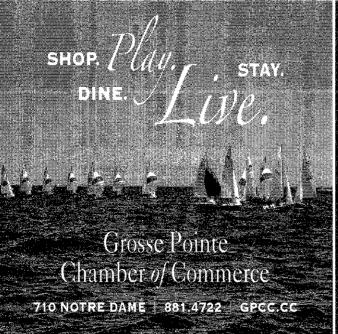
While at the museum, Gierlinger led a culture change by implementing a comprehensive customer service initiative.

"The goal for Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, in addition to the clinical excellence for which Henry Ford is known, is to provide an unparalleled experience for patients, visitors and staff," said Gerard van Grinsven, president and chief executive officer of the hospital. "With Sven's impeccable background in service excellence, I know that we have selected the perfect person for this very challenging position."

With his career primarily in the hospitality industry,



Sven Gierlinger



16A BUSINESS

Jeffrey dealership celebrates 25 years

Growing up in the auto dealership Salaried sales associates help mainbusiness, Jeffrey Tamaroff was a natural when it came to opening his Buick franchise.

Last week his sprawling campus of dealerships --- including the original Buick business — celebrated 25 years of serving Metro Detroit.

Growth has been steady and diverse for the Jeffrey Automotive Group located on 12 acres along Gratiot in Roseville. What began with a Buick dealership now includes Nissan, Honda, Kia and Acura franchises.

Tamaroff serves as the company's president and CEO. He is also chairman of the Tamaroff Automotive Group in Southfield. He leads one of the state's largest dealer groups with 10 franchises and more than 400 employees.

The Jeffrey Automotive Group features more than 800 new and used vehicles for purchase or lease.

tain a relaxed atmosphere, and the service department is awarded annually by the industry for customer satisfaction.

For information about financing, the inventory of vehicles available or other services available at the Jeffrey Automotive Group, call 285-3166 (586) or visit jeffreyauto.com.

Sales and finance hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Parts and service hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday and Thursday; 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Jeffrey Automotive Group is located at 30800 Gratiot Ave., Roseville.

- Joe Warner



Jeffrey Tamaroff, president and CEO of the Jeffrey Automotive Group holds a panoramic view of the 12-acre dealership complex in Roseville.

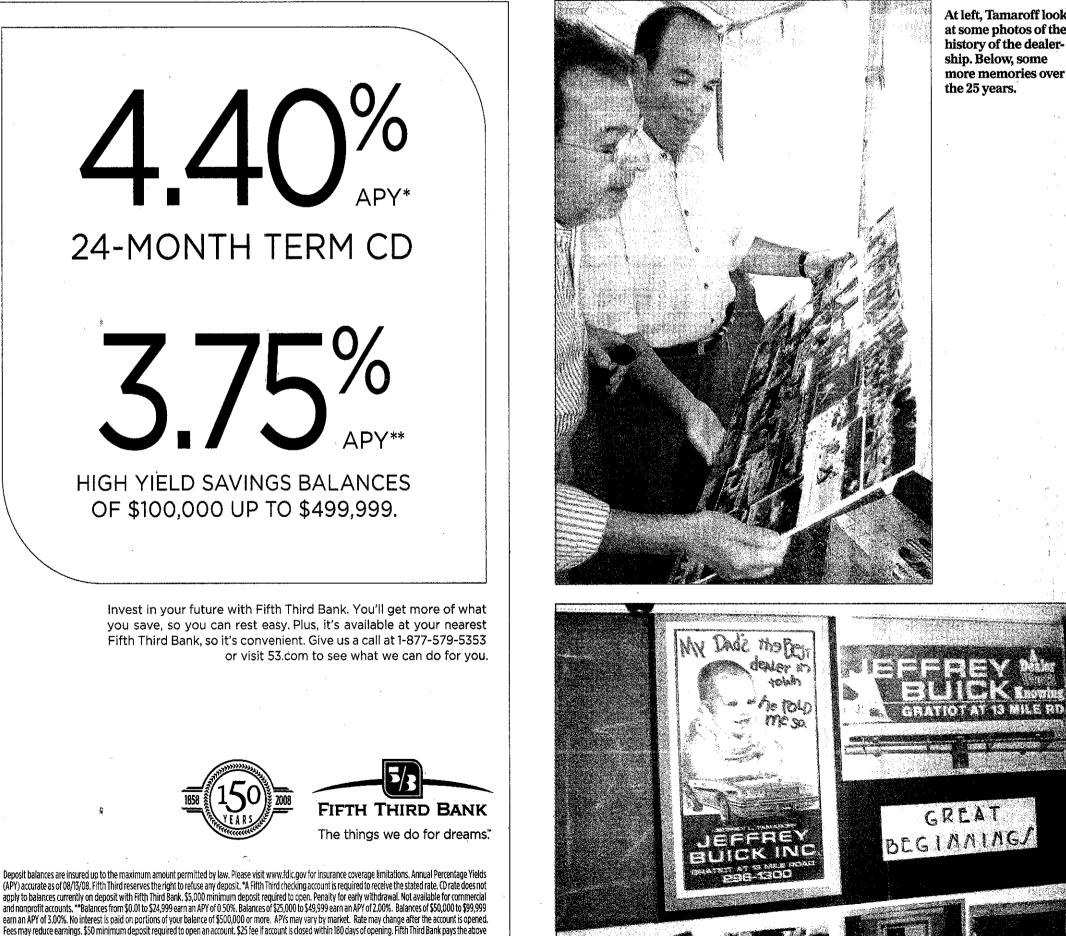


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At left, it all began with a Buick franchise in 1983. Above, employees of the Jeffrey Automotive Group enjoy a luncheon to celebrate 25 years.

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At left, Tamaroff looks at some photos of the history of the dealership. Below, some

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NEWS 17A

OBITUARIES

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

Carolyn Buck-Morrow

City of Grosse Pointe resident Carolyn Buck-Morrow, 67, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008.

She was born July 28, 1941 to Adrian and Josephine Kuyper Hoxworth in Columbus, Ohio. She earned her Bachelor of Science in biology from Michigan State University in 1964 and her Master of Science in biology from Wayne State University in 1966.

She was a biology professor at Macomb Community College.

Ms. Buck-Morrow was a member of the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society. Heifer International, World Wildlife Fund, Nature Conservancy and the Christian Foundation for Children and Aging.

She enjoyed traveling, especially cruises, and liked aerobics and cooking. She was an animal lover, equestrian, sailor, artist and gardener.

She is survived by her husband, Dennis Morrow; daughters Liza (Ken) Pasini, Rene (Calvin) Williams and Cristina Morrow; son, Shawn (Rhonda) Morrow; and grandchildren Taryn Rose Morrow, Adam Gordon, Korynda Pasini and Cameron Pasini.

Funeral services were held with interment in Tawas Pointe.

Memorial donations may be made to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society, 18519 Mack, Detroit, MI 48236.

Sam A. Cracchiolo Sr.

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Sam A. Cracchiolo Sr., 87, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008, after suffering a long neurolog-

Walley.

She married Earl G. Dillaman June 3, 1939 and he died Jan. 17, 1977. In 1984 she married Earl's cousin, Clayton Dillaman. He died Nov. 2002.

Mrs. Dillaman was the salutatorian of the 1935 graduating class of Shinnston (W. Va.) High School.

She graduated magna cum laude with a degree in education from Fairmont State College in Fairmont, W. Va. and earned a master's degree in education from Wayne State University.

She also attended Marshall University in Huntington, W. Va. and Michigan State University.

Mrs. Dillaman was a teacher and administrator for 35 years with service in Shinnston, Huntington and Grosse Pointe. She retired after 20 years of service to the Grosse Pointe Public School System, having taught at Defer, Richard and Ferry Schools.

She was actively involved in curriculum development, gifted and talented education, educational television development and the author of "The Grosse Pointe Cursive Writing System."

Mrs. Dillaman was a member of the Sigma Theta Rho social sorority, Delta Kappa Gamma educational sorority, PEO, Michigan and National Education Associations, the Grosse Pointe Retired Teachers Association, and the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church.

After her retirement she enjoyed world travel, bridge, golf, reading and spending time with her family.

She was predeceased by her parents; sister, Esther Saunders; and two brothers, Blaine Walley and Ralph Walley.

Mrs. Dillaman is survived by of positions, most recently as her children, John Dillaman the section head of the Detroit Shores and his wife, Nancy, of Grosse crime division. Pointe and Diane Barber and He also worked for the Shores.

and Nana Elizabeth (nee Null) her husband, Alan, of Greencastle, Ind.; and grandsons, Eric Dillaman of Austin, Jason (Helena) Texas; Dillaman of Washington, D.C.; David (Jayme) Barber of Greencastle, Ind. and Jonathan Barber of Greencastle, Ind.

> A memorial service was held at the Henry Ford Village Chapel. Committal services were at the Memorial Gardens of the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church.

> Memorial donations may be made to the Henry Ford Village Scholarship Fund, 15101 Ford Road, Dearborn, MI 48126 or to the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church. 211Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Thomas P. Furtaw

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Thomas P. Furtaw, 43, died suddenly Friday, Aug. 15, 2008, while performing with his band, the Spitting Nickels, at the Rockin' on the Riverfront event in downtown Detroit.

He leaves behind his wife, Alison, and three young children.

Mr. Furtaw was born Sept. 20. 1964 to William and Jane Furtaw in Grosse Pointe. He graduated from De La Salle Collegiate High School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University and his Juris Doctorate from the Detroit College of Law.

Mr. Furtaw started his career in public service as an assistant prosecutor in Lapeer County.

He moved to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office as an assistant prosecutor and became acting head of the homicide department.

He was employed by the Michigan Attorney General's Office, where he held a number



Carolyn Buck-Morrow

Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement with the AGs office.

Mr. Furtaw loved music, which was shown by his commitment to the Spitting Nickels, a band comprised of eastsiders.

He wrote several of the band's songs and was thrilled to play at a number of local venues, including the Cadieux Café. He also enjoyed photography.

He was committed to his family and loved spending time with his wife and children at the family cottage on Evergreen Beach in Rogers City.

Mr. Furtaw was a lifelong Detroit Tigers fan, who also loved MSU football and enjoyed taking his children to the games. He was a devoted father who adored his children.

Mr. Furtaw was admired and respected by many in the law enforcement and legal communities.

He is survived by his wife, Alison (nee Serivo); children Katherine, Alexander and Anthony; parents, William and Jane Furtaw of Grosse Pointe Park; sisters, Julia of Harper Woods, Katherine of Grosse Pointe Park and Jennifer (Jack) Deegan of Harbor Springs.

He also is survived by his parents-in-law, Tony and Beth of Chesterfield Serivo Township; and sisters- and brothers-in-law, Jeanne (Gerald) Burns of Grand Rapids, Ralph (Kaye) Serivo of St. Clair Shores, Tony Serivo of Chesterfield, Daniel (Donna) Serivo of St. Clair and Carolynn (Bernard) Sloan of St. Clair



Sam A. Cracchiolo Sr.



A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, Grosse Pointe Park, followed by interment in Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial donations may be made to a college education fund for Mr. Furtaw's children. Checks should be made payble to Julia Furtaw and sent care of Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

Lida Holmes Mattman

Lida Holmes Mattman, age 96, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2008.

She was born July 31, 1912, in Denver, Colo. to Lillie and Eureka Holmes. She received her Master of Arts in virology from the University of Kansas and then her Ph.D. from Yale University.



Village, Detroit. She taught at Wayne State University for more than 30 years and retired with honors as professor emerita.

Mrs. Mattman was a noted researcher and speaker, featured at medical conferences all over the world. Her book, "Cell Wall Deficient Forms," is in its third edition. In 2005, she was inducted into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame.

She is survived by her daughter, Sandra (John) Augustine; son, Dr. Paul (Nancy) Mattman; and grandchildren, Dr. Catherine (Jay Whitacre) Augustine, Susan (Daniel Sutherland) Augustine, Drs. Joshua and Sarah Augustine, Grace Augustine and Wesley Augustine.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 31 at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

ical illness.

He is survived by Annita, his wife of 57 years; seven children, Sam Jr. (Helen), Bernadette (Thomas) Misuraca, James (Justina), Janine (Larry) Dickson, Timothy (Allison), Annita (Thomas) Mannino and John (Debra); 25 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; four brothers; and one sister.

Mr. Cracchiolo was born April 6, 1921 in Detroit. He was a resident of Boca Raton. Fla. for the last 35 years.

He supported many philanthropic activities in the areas of education, medicine, and religion, as well as the Tarahumara Indian Mission in Creel, Mexico, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the University of Florida. the University of South Florida and many hospitals, schools and churches.

Mr. Cracchiolo pioneered cold metal forming technology before heading mergers and acquisitions for the Masco Corporation.

A World War II veteran, Mr. Cracchiolo is best known by friends and family for his honesty, integrity and his passion for sharing his faith in Jesus Christ.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21 at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 22 at the National Shrine of the Little Flower at Woodward and 12 Mile Road in Royal Oak.

Memorial donations may be made to the Solanus-Casey Center, 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

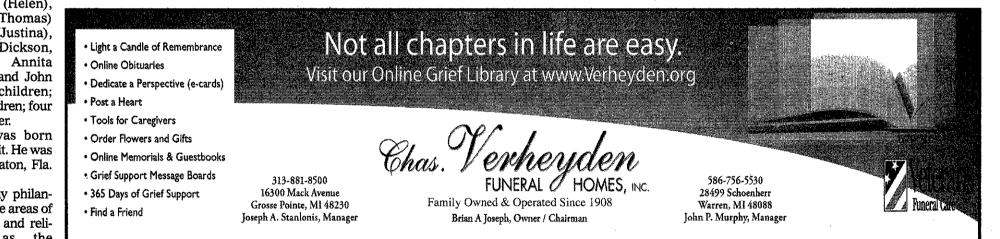
Mary Jo Dillaman

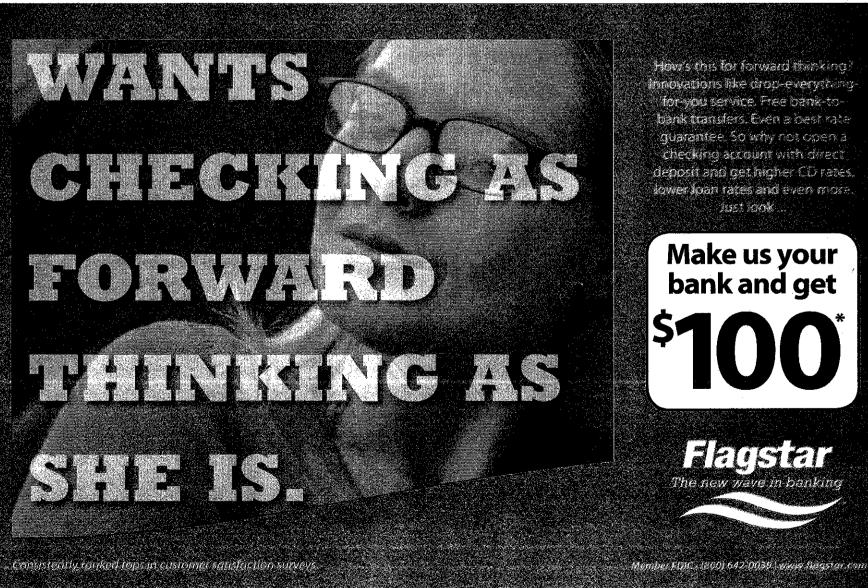
Mary Jo Dillaman, 90, formerly of Grosse Pointe, died Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008, at Henry Ford Village Retirement Community in Dearborn.

She was born Oct. 24,1917 in Mannington, W. Va., the daughter of John Roy Walley

She married Dr. Paul Mattman and resided in Indian

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Obituaries: Loved ones remembered

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Charles A. Knapp

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Charles A. Knapp, 88, died Monday, Aug. 11, 2008, after a long illness. He had been living in St. Clair Shores.

He was born in New York City, March 27, 1920 across the street from one of the earliest motion picture studios. At age three, he was offered a screen test while "smoking" his usual clothespin cigar. He reportedly cried and declined.

Public After attending School 71 and Grover Cleveland High School, Mr. Knapp earned a degree in mechanical engineering at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N.Y. and was admitted to the engineering honor society, Tau Beta Pi.

Following graduation in 1942, he was awarded a re-

search and development position with Westinghouse Electric rial and requiring a security clearance. The classification was re-

viewed and renewed regularly, and upon appeal, the final deferment was granted by the Office of Scientific Research Development and in Washington, D.C.

small group of engineers who Pointe Men's Club and a lifebuilt and demonstrated the time member of the Society of first turbojet engine equipped with an axial flow compressor, the type used universally today. The first flight was achieved in bridge. January, 1944.

with Curtiss-Wright Corp., of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Continental Aviation and Pratt & Whitney Aircraft.

the Navy in Washington and East Hanover, N.J. NACA, now NASA, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Many days were spent consulting with personnel from the test stands and the government wind tunnel facility near Cleveland.

In 1971 he joined Ford Motor Co. Research Laboratories to participate in the development and son-in-law John Scherer's of the gas turbine as a heavy home in Grosse Pointe Farms

duty truck engine.

Prior to his retirement in Corp. involving classified mate- 1990, he also performed computer studies of reciprocating engine performance improvements.

> Mr. Knapp held two U.S. patents relating to improved mounting designs for regenerators used on truck type gas turbine engines.

He was a member of Tau Mr. Knapp was part of a Beta Pi Association, the Grosse Automotive Engineers International.

Mr. Knapp enjoyed golf and

He leaves behind his lovely He continued in this field wife, Betty; daughter, Sharon, son, Brad, of Cortez, Fla.

Private services were held at He attended meetings with Restland Memorial Park in

Julianne Syrek Trembour

Julianne Syrek Trembour, child of God, passed away peacefully Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008, at her daughter, Melodie

surrounded by those she loved and dearly loved her.

She was 85 years of age. Mother lived a life full of grace and kindness and passed into the Lord's loving arms, whom she so loved, with the same grace that she lived her life.

She now has been joyfully reunited with her beloved husband, Max, of 60 years who predeceased her on April 13, 2003; her parents; her sister, Shirley; and her brother, Edward.

She was a most devoted wife, mother and homemaker. She took great pride and received immense joy in spending time with her five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She will remain in the hearts of her family members forever and will be deeply missed.

Mother enjoyed many activities including golf, tennis, bridge, gardening, reading, knitting, and oil painting. She also was a spirited fan of the Lions, Tigers, and Red Wings.

She is survived by her son Max (Jane); daughter, Melodie (John) Scherer; and her Whitney grandchildren.



Charles A. Knapp

Julianne Scherer Mackay (John), Max IV (Theresa). Jennifer Trembour Bubka (Craig), and Robin Trembour Greisdorf (Jason); her greatgrandchildren, Taylor and Leah Oosting, John, Matthew, and Elizabeth Grace Mackay; Piper, Max V, and Grant Trembour, Alexander and Jane Bubka, and Jade Greisdorf; brothers John, Richard and Terrance Syrek; sisters Anne Daniel and Marguerite Gardner.

Mother's family would like Scherer Oosting (Todd), to thank her team of doctors,



Julianne Syrek Trembour

along with Dorota, Mable, Mary Ann and Rose, who were her most wonderful caregivers and St. John Hospice who all so lovingly cared for her during her illness.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 13 at St. Paul Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. A private burial followed at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Memorial donations may be made to Holley Ear Institute at St. John Hospital, St. John Hospice or the Alzheimer's organizations.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Ice rink due in December

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

The frosty economy heated competition among ice rink contractors and saved the Farms a cool \$47,000.

Serv-Ice Refrigeration, a construction company specializing in ice skating rinks, won the contract to install a refrigerated ice surface at Pier Park with a bid of \$360,426

It was the only company to answer an invitation to bid on the job.

jected the lone \$408,000 sub- Grosse Pointe

ing construction.

We saved almost \$50,000 by waiting to put (the rink) in this fall," said Councilman Louis Theros.

"We gave them time to sharpen their pencils," said Shane Reeside, city manager. Construction will start after Labor Day.

The rink, to be located near the parking lot west of the new warming building, is expected to be ready by December, did the Detroit Skating Club in Reeside said.

Last year. Farms officials re- \$600,000 in donations from the Pointe Woods and the hockey mission from Service, delay- Foundation, the rink was Fairgrounds."

planned to complement new paddle tennis courts, tennis courts and the year-round building, which will double as a warming hut in winter and tennis house in summer.

During warm months, the rink will serve as a basketball court.

Serv-Ice's record and list of impressed references Elizabeth Muzyk, project architect with the Farms consulting engineers, Ehresman Associates.

"Serv-Ice has done hundreds of installations," Muzyk said. "In the immediate area, they Bloomfield Hills, University Fueled in part by about Liggett School in Grosse Farms rink at the Michigan State

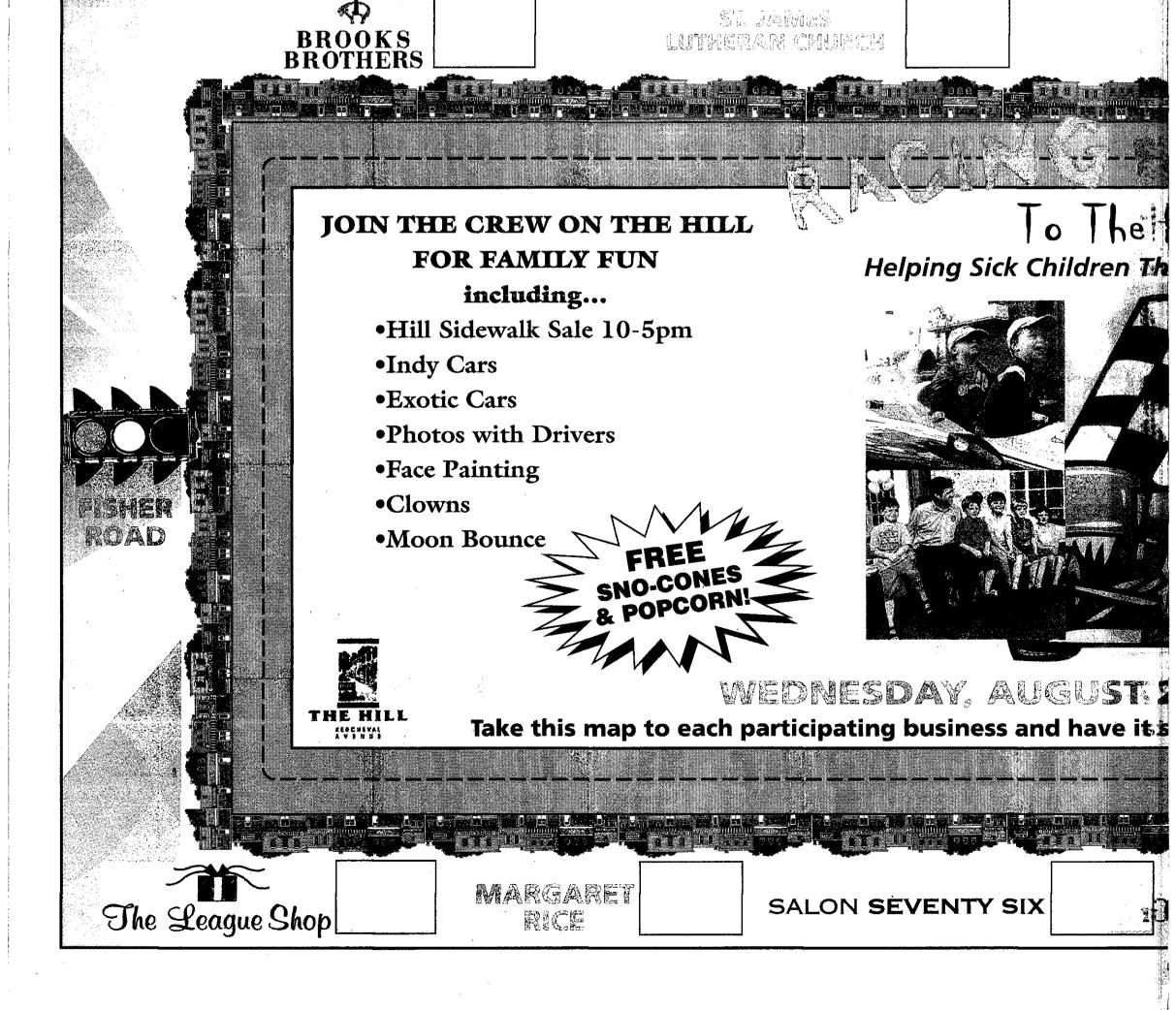
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Zander and Ashley Tu, Jeff, Lee Ann, Sam, and Tom Stevenson, Bill, Sarah, Austin, Erich, Tommy and J.P. Heinemann, and Samantha Asbury visited "The Arch' in Cabo San Lucas in March and look

along the Grosse



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Salute to vets this weekend

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

ON THE FRONT LINE IN YPSILANTI — (by wireless) — The patrol wasn't going too badly until we ran into a wall of tanks and the Luftwaffe swept in.

Our mechanized scout unit had just rounded a hill on the outskirts of Willow Run tured. The Battle of Ypsilanti Airport.

We were wading west through a field of waste-high crops when confronted by a pair of camouflaged German tanks hunched in the distant brush. A Messerschmitt Bf-109 swept in low, guns and cannons models of Teutonic efficiency.

We attacked, outnumbered outgunned. and The Messerschmitt circled the field making strafing runs. We stuck it out while our commander radioed for air and armor reinforcements.

up. Four P-47 Thunderbolts, each armed with eight .50 caliber machine guns.

From around the bend came our armored reinforcements. Tanks. halftracks, artillery and troops. The tide turned.

Twenty minutes of concentrated shooting knocked the Germans on their hinies. Those not killed were capwas over.

Smaller versions of last weekend's firefights reenacted during the Yankee Air Museum 2008 Chrysler Jeep Superstores Thunder Over Michigan air show will be repeated Friday, Aug. 22, through Sunday, Aug. 24, during WWI and Veterans Weekend at the Bruce Post VFW. 28404 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

"There will be skirmishes and lots of military vehicles," said Reefe Renforth, event organizer from Ferndale and Soon, our flyboys showed member of the 82nd Airborne Association Detroit Chapter.

"We'll have armored person-



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

nel carriers and small armored vehicles," Renforth said. "I hope to get the WWII Marine Corps LVT that Clint Eastwood used in his movie, 'Flags of Our Fathers."

An LVT is a landing craft with tracks like a tank used by the U.S. to land troops on Japanese-held islands.

Attractions include vendors of military memorabilia, Allied and Axis military reenactors, military vehicles, weapons demonstrations and a U.S. Coast Guard air rescue demon-

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Show schedule

Friday, Aug. 22

military reenactors and military vehicle owners.

Saturday, Aug. 23

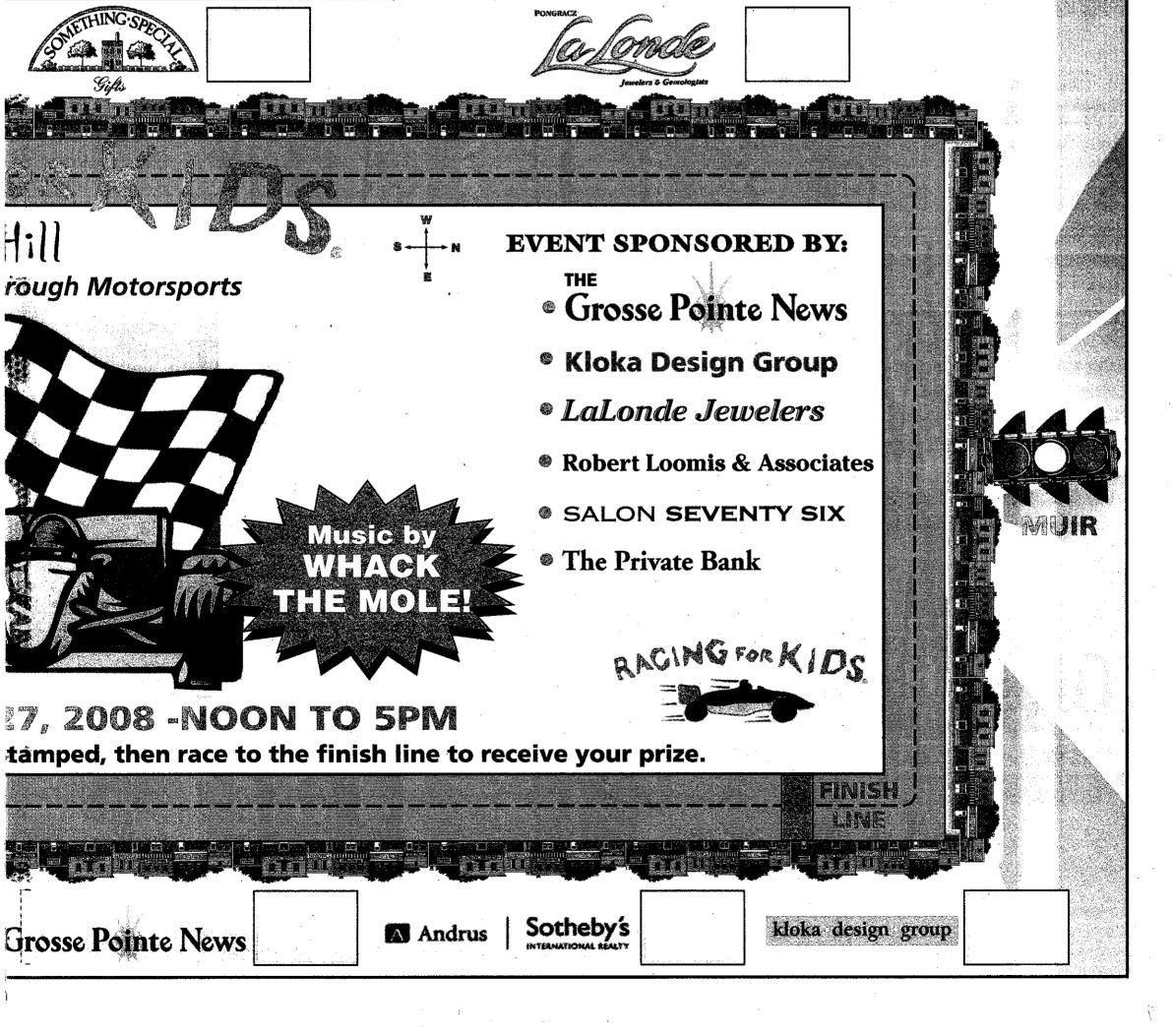
- ♦ 8:45 a.m. Opening ceremony.
- ♦ 9 a.m.: Open to public.
- ◆ 10 a.m.: Walking tour of
- military vehicles and weapons. ◆ 10:30 a.m.: Weapons
- demonstration.
- ◆ 11 a.m.: WWII battle reenactment.

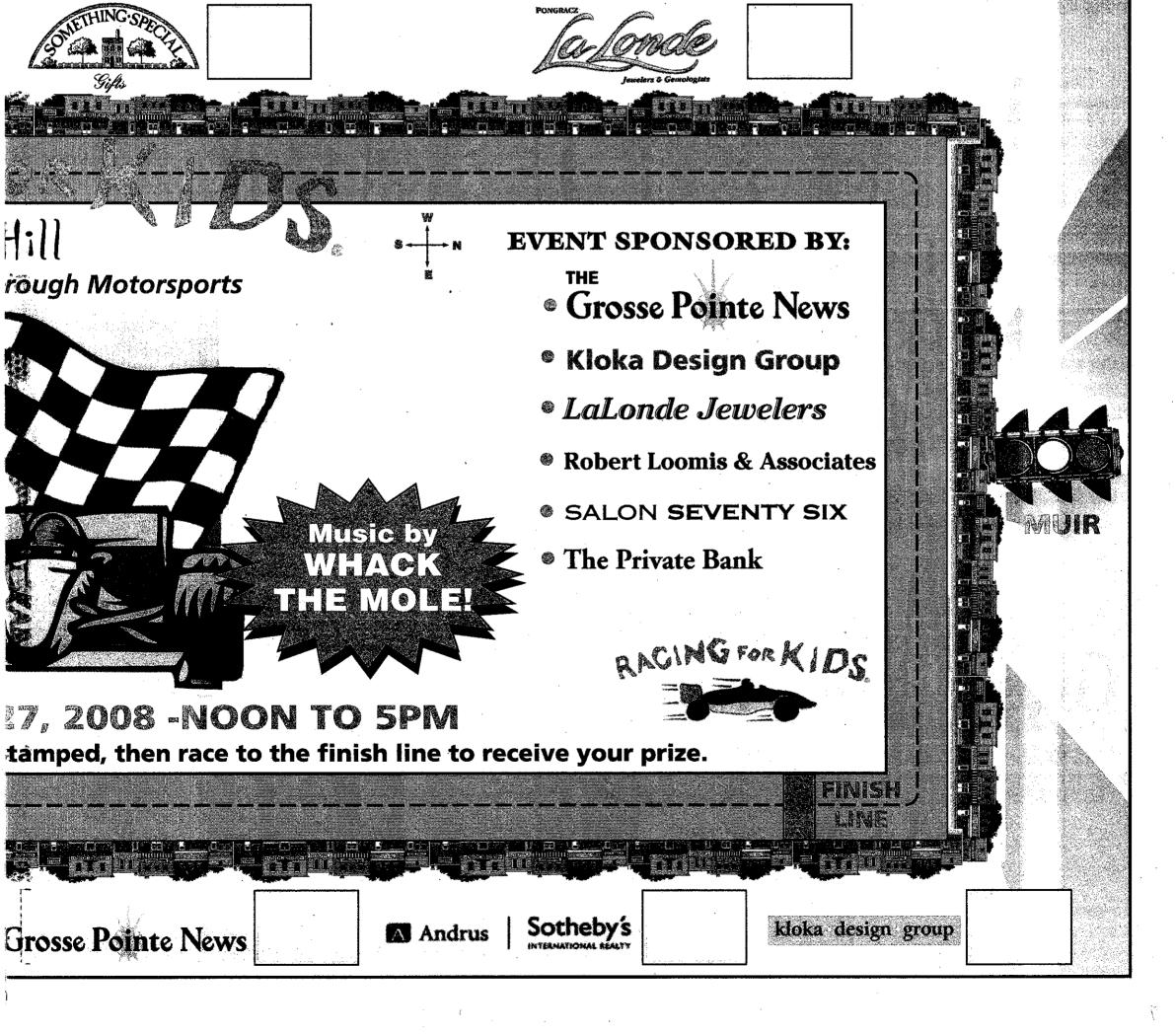
◆ Noon: U.S. Coast Guard ◆ Noon: Open to vendors, air-water rescue demonstration.

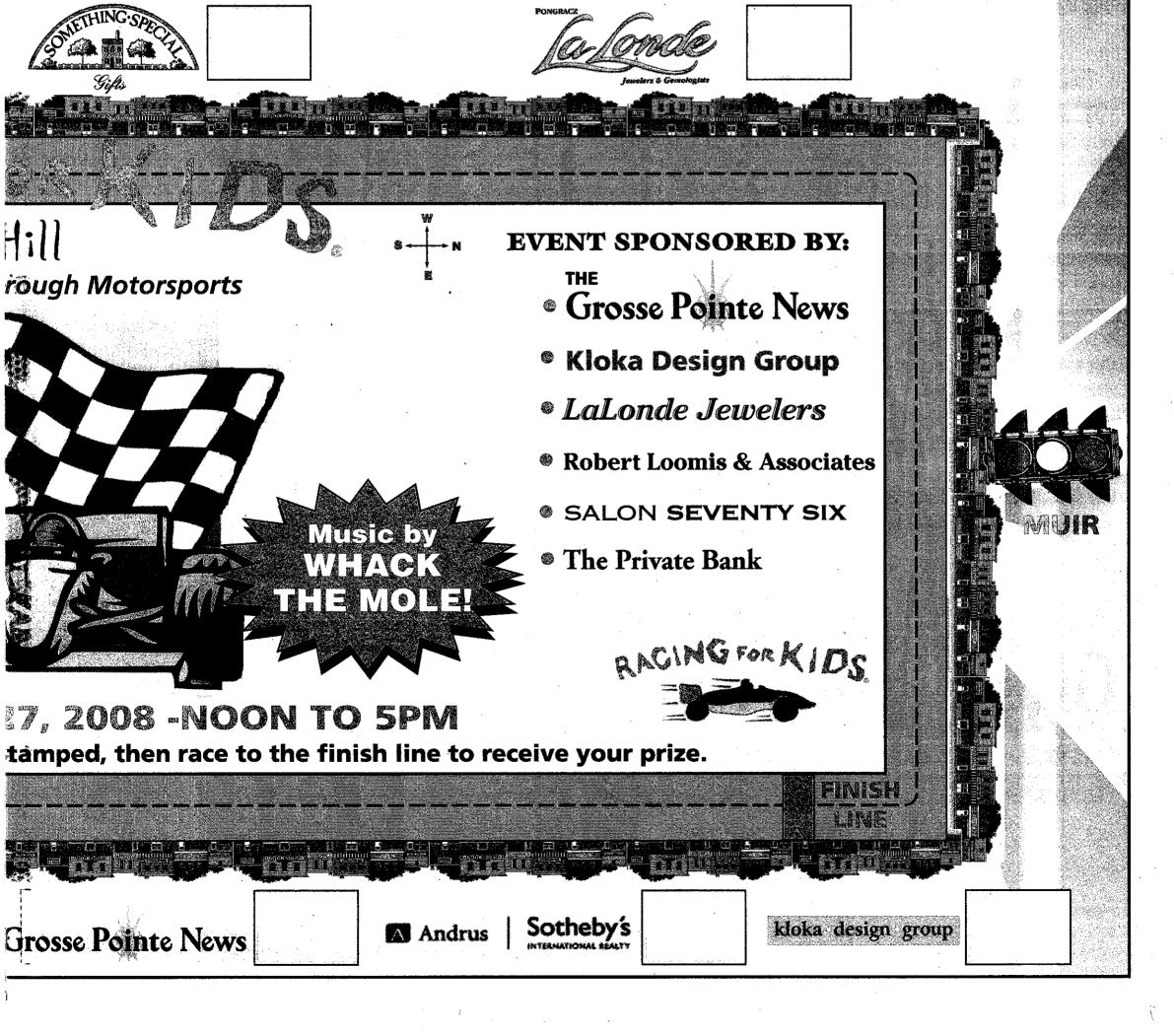
◆ 1 p.m.: Walking tour of military vehicles and weapons.
2 p.m.: Mood Swing

- Sisters performance. ♦ 3:30 p.m.: Weapons
- demonstration.
- ♦ 4 p.m.: WWII battle reenactment.
- ◆ 5:30 p.m.: End of show.

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NEWS 20A

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Drunk driver

Α 32-year-old Canton woman with a blood alcohol level of .166 percent was arrested for drunken driving at 1:40 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17. Police had spotted the woman speeding on Cadieux near Burglary Kercheval.

Drugs & alcohol

Police said they found three small packages of marijuana in a green 1998 Jeep Cherokee driven by a 45-year-old Detroit man at 12:24 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 16.

Police also arrested the man for drunken driving. He reportedly registered a .13 percent blood alcohol level.

Steals 97 CDs

At 9:40 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, police arrested a Detroit man and woman, ages 49 and 39, respectively, for stealing 97 compact discs worth \$1,517.03 from Border Books in the Village.

Two officers caught the pair in the rear parking lot in a hired Checker Cab.

According to witness statements, the pair had been hanging around a display of top-rated compact discs.

The woman carried a large brown bag.

Upon exiting the back door, the couple set off a sensor alarm.

"(The man) stepped back into the store and set down a book he had in his hand, while (the woman) continued on," a witness told police. "After setting down the book, (the man) continued out of doors."

Failed van theft

Someone tried to steal a Dodge overnight Friday, Aug. 15, in the 900 block of Rivard.

The owner said the van's door had been broken open and the ignition cylinder removed.

An estimated \$10,000 worth of jewelry, cash and other items were stolen during the night of Tuesday, Aug. 12, from a house on Rathbone Place.

Police believe burglars entered through an attached greenhouse before prying open a window and climbing into the house. Portions of the interior had been ransacked.

\$100,000 bond

A 42-year-old Owosso man is in Wayne County Jail unable to post \$100,000 cash bond stemming from his arrest for drunken driving at 4:58 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12.

.316 percent blood alcohol content. Records showed it was his third arrest for the same offense

A patrolman monitoring the area near Neff Park said the man drove through a red light at Jefferson and Lakeland. The man nearly hit two boys crossing Jefferson. He reportedly drove his blue 1995 Buick Skylark over the center line of eastbound Jefferson until being stopped near Dodge Place, police said.

"He was unable to stand without using the vehicle for support," said the arresting officer.

-Brad Lindberg

about these or other crimes, ing for the owner to pick it up. call the City of Grosse Pointe Caravan parked public safety department at Paper hangers (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Speeding drunk

A City of Grosse Pointe woman registered a .156 blood alcohol level and was arrested for drunken driving at 12:45 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 16.

Officers spotted her speeding a silver 2002 Honda Civic 47 mph on westbound Lakeshore near Winthrop.

"(She) said she was in a hurry to get home to her son," police said.

Failed Jeep theft

A resident of the 200 block of McKinley reported that sometime between 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14 and 3:30 p.m. the next day, someone tried to steal his 2002 Jeep Liberty.

The resident said the vehicle Police said he registered a had been broken into and the ignition cylinder pulled out.

Clothes stolen

Sometime between 1 and 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, a men's blue blazer, gray pants and black belt were stolen out of a car parked in front of a store in the 19200 block of Mack.

Bike found

A women's Kent Sierra bicycle was found near the Cottage Hospital parking garage during the evening of Wednesday, Aug. 13. Police placed the bike If you have any information in a storage room and are wait-



Two Detroit women, ages 20 and 21, were arrested at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, for trying to cash a fraudulent \$999.15 payroll check at Bank of America on the Hill.

Bank employees said the women were suspected of passing two fake checks totaling nearly \$2,000 at the branch on Jefferson and Barrington in Grosse Pointe Park.

When arrested, one of the woman had a fake check for \$994.02.

Bike stolen

A copper-colored, \$500 Turbo mountain bike was bike was taken from a garage stolen between 3:30 and 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, while parked Sunday, Aug. 16. at the Central Branch library.

Van vanishes

A red Dodge Caravan was stolen, between Thursday, Aug. 7 and noon Saturday, Aug. 9, in the 300 block of

Three hundred "For Sale" Aug. 11. The loss totaled \$3,000.

Heroin

At 5:36 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, police found .2 grams of heroin, a crack pipe and other year-old Detroit woman's Ford

woman for driving in the westbound Mack construction lane near Bornemouth.

Officers said the woman was

morning of Sunday, Aug. 10, near the intersection of Frankfort and Dickerson in Detroit.

The damaged vehicle was found abandoned against a tree.

---- Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Park

Lawn mower taken

A Toro lawn mower was takgarage on overnight

Bike theft

A Cannondale mountain on Maryland

Anniversaries

Paint damaged

Aug. 13.

The finish on a Hummer H2

parked in the 500 block of

Sheldon was damaged when

splattered with mustard at

about 1:30 p.m. Wednesday,

on the front door of a house in

Living history

military show

SALUTE:

Mustard also was smeared

Safety Officer James Bostock on his five year anniversary with the department and to Lt. Ed Arnold for his 18 years of service.

Home invasion **Grosse Pointe Shores**

ing.

A Broadstone resident returned home from running errands at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, to find a screen had been cut and an entry door pushed in. The contents of several drawers were strewn about and money, jewelry, video games and an iPod were miss-

- Kathy Ryan

10 and under are free.

"The show is a living history salute to veterans," said John Lind, curator of the Detroit Arsenal Museum and choreographer of the Thunder Over Michigan battle reenactments. "It caters to World War II, but is

en from a Barrington Thursday, Aug. 14.

overnight

Congratulations to Public

-Kathy Ryan mal clinic.

trol officers Sunday, Aug. 16.

bat from the basement of a home on Fairholme at 12:50 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17. The resident was advised to

contact an exterminator.

Public safety officers armed

with tennis racquets escorted a

Ferreting out ferret A white ferret, police say was quite tame, was removed from a yard on Anita by animal con-

It is being held at a local ani-

Fisher.

Sale signs stolen

signs valued at \$25 each were taken from behind a real estate office in the 18400 block of Mack, between Friday, Aug. 8, and the following Monday,

drug paraphernalia in a 56-Crown Victoria.

Police had stopped the

wanted in St. Clair Shores for | Continued from page 19A

on Beverly was recovered the the 500 block of Ballantyne.

A 32-year-old Detroit

woman registered a .210 per-

cent blood alcohol level during

a drunken driving investiga-

tion at 11:22 p.m. Saturday,

Aug. 9, on southbound

Police said the woman had

-Brad Lindberg

been weaving in her blue 2000

Ford Explorer and ran a red

If you have any information

about these or other crimes,

call the Grosse Pointe Shores

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Grosse Pointe Woods

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Drunk driver

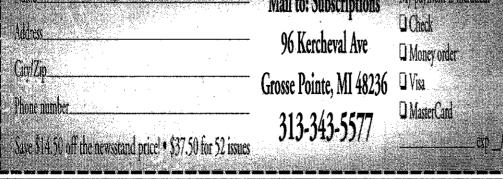
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retail fraud.

Car found

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A blue 1997 Mercedes stolen between Aug. 1-5 from a house

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING August 25, 2008

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Grosse Pointe Public Library will take place on Monday, August 25, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the Woods Branch Library, 20680 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. All members of the public are invited to attend. Any member of the public who may be in need of special assistance or accommodation at such meeting because of a disability may contact the library. The agenda is available on the library website (www.gp.lib.mi.us) as well as posted at each library. The Board packet is available for review at each library by the Friday before each meeting. Minutes of this and any open meeting of the Board are available for public review.

> Vicki Bloom, Director 10 Kercheval Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 313-343-2325

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for a second reading at its meeting scheduled for Monday, September 8, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The above Council meeting is open to the public. All interested persons are invited to attend.

An ordinance to amend the following sections of Chapter 50, Zoning, of the 2007 Grosse Pointe Woods City Code:

Sec. 50-1 Definitions. Adds definition for Assisted Living Facility, Senior Independent Living Development, and amends multiple dwelling.

Sec. 50-313 Purpose. Deletes reference to mixed use.

Sec. 50-314 Permitted Uses. Adds Senior Independent Living Developments in the R-4 District with conditions.

Sec. 50-316 Multiple Dwellings. Deletes existing Section 50-316 and adds new height/area regulations.

Sec. 50-317 Design Guidelines. Adds new comprehensive design guidelines.

Sec. 50-530 Off Street Parking Requirements. Adds requirements for permitted uses.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC

City Clerk

G.P.N.: 08/21/08

stration. At 2 p.m. Saturday, there will be a concert by the Mood Swing Sisters, an Andrews Sisters-type group.

Daily admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and \$3 for students. Children

1943 GMC 2 1/2-ton cargo truck, 1943 Chevrolet military fire truck, 1942 Willy's Jeep, 1942 Harley Davidson military police motorcycle and a 1944 GMC DUKW amphibious vehicle.

"Unfortunately, since 9/11 you can't import armor anymore," Lind said. "You used to be able to go to Europe, where we left most of our stuff, and import it. Shipping costs were to die for, based on weight, It's still possible for a museum to do it, but an individual cannot import armor."

Renforth has been organizing military relic shows for about 20 years.

He honors the service of current military members, but has a special regard for WWII vets.

"I hold those men in absolute awe," he said. "A lot of them aren't around anymore. They're passing in big numbers."

SCHEDULE: Three-day event in SCS

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Sunday, Aug. 24

♦ 9 a.m.: Open.

◆ 10:30 a.m.: Walking tour of military vehicles and weapons.

♦ Noon: Weapons demonstration.

◆1 p.m.: WWII reenactment battle.

♦ 3 p.m.: End of event.

not exclusive to WWII. You'll see vehicles from WWII to the present."

Lind served in the Marines, Air Force and National Guard before retiring from the Navy.

"The only branch I wasn't in was the Army, and that's what I

reenact," he said. Lind began collecting vintage military vehicles about 12 years ago. His fleet includes a

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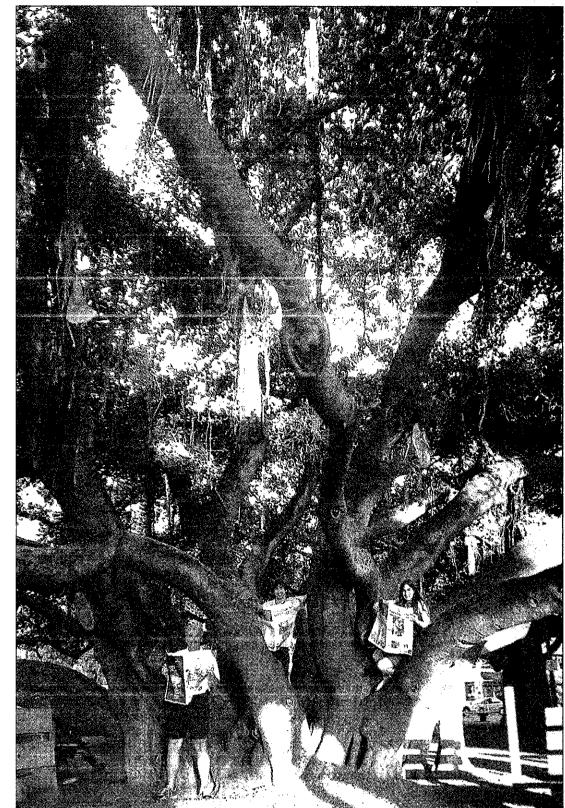
When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com.



Chicago reader

Grosse Pointe residents Liz, Katie and Becky Lubera, along with American Girl dolls Kirsten and Kit, took the Grosse Pointe News to tea at the American Girl Place in Chicago.





Banyan tree reader

Jim, Marty and Holly Fleszar of Grosse Pointe Park are reading the Grosse Pointe News in the shade of one of the world's largest Indian banyan trees, which was planted in 1873 in Lahaina in the Hawaii islands. It stretches more than 200 feet and shades two-thirds of an acre.



The Riviera Maya reader

The Voytowich family of Grosse Pointe vacationed on the Riviera Maya, Mexico where they visited the walled city of Tulum and took time to read the Grosse Pointe News. They are pictured on a bluff with a view of the Caribbean near the Mayan ruins of Tulum dating back to 564 A.D.



The Jamaican reader

Katie Glovac of Grosse Pointe Woods took the Grosse Pointe News with her on her Easter break with parents Jim and Barb Glovac to Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

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The Maui reader

MaryLynn and Robert Bertetto of Grosse Pointe Farms took a two week honeymoon in March to Maui. They took the Grosse Pointe News along to read on the beach, where they met another couple from Grosse Pointe.



The Galapagos reader

While reading the Grosse Pointe News, Tom DeCorte of Grosse Pointe Park shared a bench with a friendly sea lion at the harbor of Baltra in the Galapagos Islands.

22A | AUTOMOTIVE

TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

Toyota's third generation **2008 RAV4 compact SUV** 4WD enters its third year after a complete redesign in 2006. It's still the most popular consumer choice in the compact SUV segment.

2008 Toyota RAV4 Limited has power



his week we're driving Toyota's 2008 RAV4 compact SUV 4WD — base price: \$26,670; price as tested: \$27,803. Our top-class RAV4 Limited tester adds a standard vehicle immobilizer for 2008, an item optional on the base and midlevel Sport models. Consumers have a choice of

either 2- or 4-wheel-drive and inline-4 or V6 engines. Our tester came with Limited's 3.5liter V6 under the hood, and be it merging on the freeway or passing a tractor-trailer, this RAV4 moves with true authority.

The V6 engine is still the most powerful in class, and produces 269 horsepower at 6,200 RPM and 246 pound-feet of torque at 4,700 RPM. These numbers easily move RAV4 from zero to 60 mph in 6.7-seconds, which isn't expected from a compact SUV, and especially one with 4x4 capability.

The 4WD Auto mode can be disengaged, or locked into full 4WD mode via the flip of a switch. When the vehicle reaches 25 mph or brakes are applied, the lock mode disengages and returns to Auto.

Toyota's electronic fivespeed automatic transmission with special gearing allows the V6 RAV4 to offer fuel efficiency equivalent to less powerful competitors, as 19 city and 26 highway are the expected results. Last year, the window sticker said 21 city and 28 for a similar vehicle, but EPA has tightened up its requirements and all vehicles must adhere to the new rules. When compared to the 4-cylinder, the V6 delivers only one less mile per gallon high-

way and two less in the city. Outwardly, RAV4's personality is secure, as a trapezoidal grille and four-bulb headlamps result in a more "off-road" look. Out back, a traditional SUV design awaits the consumer, complete with the externally mounted spare tire, something we never liked, thanks to major damage occurring from low speed back-up or rear impacts. However, the full-size tire mounted outside means more room inside, where RAV4 offers nearly 75 cu. ft. of cargo space with seats in fold-down mode.

Now 14 inches longer than its previous generation, RAV4 is constructed on a new platform that even offers an available third row seat. Thanks to the larger dimensions, driver and passengers will enjoy expanded head and legroom for second-row passengers and a wider stance overall.

Standard features include driver and front passenger front-seat mounted side air bags, along with first and second row roll sensing side curtain air bags, fog lights, roof rails and cross bars, heated power outside mirrors, rear privacy glass, sport tuned suspension, unique dark charcoal fabric seating, 17-inch sixspoke alloy wheels, and tire pressure monitoring. All this is in addition to the expected features, like air, cruise, all the



2008 Toyota RAV4 Limited

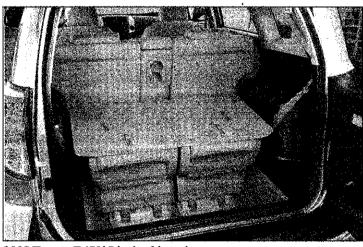
powers and keyless entry. All V6 RAV4 models come with Hill-start Assist Control, Downhill Assist Control, Vehicle Stability Control, Traction Control, 4-wheel disc Anti-Lock Brakes with **Electronic Brake-force** Distribution and Brake Assist. Limited features include dual zone climate control with air filter; upgraded seat fabric; eight-way power driver seat with adjustable lumbar; AM/FM six-disc in-dash CD changer with six speakers, and a host of other features your Toyota dealer will gladly explain.

Even with larger dimensions and increased passenger room, RAV4 handles better, is quieter, turns tighter and offers a stronger, stiffer structure. A fully independent 4wheel suspension features front struts and a rear double wishbone setup, resulting in sporty handling and a serene, car-like ride on the freeway.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 104.7 inches, pre-2006 RAV4's have a 98inch wheelbase; 3,677 pound curb weight; 7.5-inch ground clearance; 15.9-gallon, 87-octane, fuel tank; and 3,500 pound tow capacity with optional tow package, \$160.

We like Toyota's continuing efforts with the RAV4, and rate it an 8.5 on a scale of one to 10.

Likes: Looks, Toyota reliabil- wa



2008 Toyota RAV4 Limited interior.

TOYOTA moving forward >

ity, power, quiet, fun to drive. Dislikes: It's time Toyota offers a 100,000-mile powertrain warranty instead of 60,000; floor/cargo mats, \$199, and cargo net, \$49, optional. Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.





AUTOMOTIVE | 23A

AUTOS By Jenny King

The **2008 Saturn Astra XR 4-door** features excellent driving dynamics, stylish looks, impressive features and strong fuel mileage numbers.

Saturn Astra combines space, economy



Astra is a product of General Motors' European Opel operation, which has been building Astras for a while now. Long enough, in fact, to recently have turned out Astra number 10 million. The nameplate is in its third generation.

This model year is its debut in the U.S. and the timing would seem perfect. Here's a smaller car with smaller engine and a number of excellent features like multiple air bags and antilock brakes as standard equipment. And it is coming on stream as gasoline prices double and our appetite for big, thirsty vehicles is diminished.

But be forewarned. Diving from a light truck or large crossover into a 2,900-pound, modestly priced car like the Astra will be a culture shock.

The earliest reviews by U.S. auto writers tended to be about Astras they had driven in Europe.

A reporter at Business Week aired so many of the opinions I had formed that I was afraid to read his entire story about his time in an Astra. Bottom line for him: Disappointment. Here's an Opel designed by General Motors for key markets in Europe and Australia



The 2008 Saturn Astra 5-door, five-passenger sedan has a starting price of around \$16,000. Its 138-horsepower four cylinder engine gets an average 32 miles per gallon in highway driving with a five-speed manual transmission.

and appreciated for its strengths there. Something happened in the trans-Atlantic trip.

The 2008 test car, built in Belgium to meet U.S. safety regulations, was OK, but far from the exciting, Euro-sporty vehicle one might anticipate. The interior featured numerous foam-backed plastic surfaces and wear-resistant seat covers. The instrumentation was small and understated – hard to read quickly.

The cardboard-like parcel shelf could be removed and the split rear seats folded forward to open a very nice cargo space. It was a struggle to remove the parcel shelf, though it snapped quickly back into place later.

At least one other reviewer noted there is only one cupholder for the two front seat occupants to share. It's at the back of the center console and awkward to reach. But then, eating and drinking while driving are easily as distracting, and hence as dangerous, as talking on a hand-held cell phone, our current driving obsession.

One could conceivably go a long way comfortably without a sip of coffee or water. And we know there are always traffic lights and traffic jams which allow plenty of time for your beverage.

There are two cupholders for the rear seat gang. They are under the seat, behind a sprung panel. Kind of neat unless you are the third rear seat passenger sitting in the middle and whose calves will impede the use of the holders by your seatmates.

Personal experience suggests Europeans do little or no eating and drinking in their cars. They likely did not demand holders from Opel.

The Saturn Astra is available in three-door and fivedoor hatchbacks. A 1.8-liter, 138-horsepower four-cylinder engine is standard along with a five-speed manual transmission.

A four-speed automatic will add about \$1,400 to your price tag. The manual transmission can squeeze an average 32 miles per gallon from the gas tank; the automatic is rated at 30 mpg on the highway. The city driving average is 24 mpg for both transmissions, according to EPA numbers.

The XE is the base five-door hatchback model; the XR is the upscale companion model. Saturn says all XEs have antilock brakes and cornering brake control; six standard air bags; active head restraints; halogen headlamps; cruise control and RainSense windshield wipers.

This is a great package, even without air conditioning. The XR adds fancier wheels, steering-wheel-mounted controls, A.C. and a bigger sound system with CD/MP3 player. The XR starting price is \$17,545 compared with \$15,995 for the XE.



24A AUTOMOTIVE

TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The **2008 Chevy Tahoe Hybrid's** 2-mode hybrid technology provides 50 percent better city fuel economy and 30 percent improved combined city/highway economy.

2008 Chevy Tahoe Hybrid 4WD



Tahoe Hybrid — base price: \$52,395; price as tested: \$55,585.

You can drive the Tahoe on total electric if traveling under 30 mph, something I accomplished several times driving six miles roundtrip to and from my office in city traffic.

Chevy's Tahoe, and sibling GMC Yukon Hybrid, couldn't come at a better time, as gas prices continue to escalate and those who need towing and bigger vehicles have few options.

Consumers now have a vehicle that provides full-size towing and payload capabilities, lots of horsepower when necessary, yet will still deliver 21 mpg city and 22 miles per gallon highway for the 2WD drive or 20/20 for the 4WD, the latter which our tester delivered easily.

Tahoe also delivers Chevy's tradition of comfort, performance and utility in addition to its enormously improved fuel economy over its gasolinepowered siblings.

The state-of-the-art hybrid system uses GM's all-new, patented, Electrically Variable Transmission, motivating the Tahoe to comparable city fuel economy of a much smaller 2008 2.4L-equipped Toyota Camry sedan, according to fueleconomy.gov. To engage the 4WD, Tahoe relies on an autotrac transfer case with locking differential and rear.

Thanks to three high school 'away" baseball games attended in our tester, I experienced firsthand how well this big bruiser of a vehicle can be on fuel, and came away satisfied and a bit surprised that the Tahoe Hybrid delivered such great numbers. With two occupants also impressed, Tahoe delivers full-size SUV performance and 6,000 pounds of usable towing capacity, 6,200 pounds on 2WD models; 12,000 pounds GCWR; and eight-passenger seating capacity.

GM utilizes an advanced EVT and 300-volt nickel-metal hydride Energy Storage System, which works in concert with the standard 6.0L V-8, 332 horsepower — regular fuel — Gen IV gasoline engine with Active Fuel Management and late intake valve closing technology.

GM's new hybrid system not only enables the Tahoe to launch and drive up to 30 mph on electricity alone, it also allows the V-8 engine to operate in its more economical V-4 cylinder mode for longer periods. This is one reason an owner can expect at least 20 mpg highway, and the move from eight to four and back again is seamless.

Inside, subtle interior touches from the distinctive gauge clusters with unique badging to the stylish thin profile seats are all designed to reduce mass for improved fuel savings, and



2008 Chevrolet Tahoe Hybrid

also provide better second row leg room.

Outwardly, form follows function, thanks to the addition of numerous aerodynamic features, such as a lowered air dam, shaped running boards and special rear-end enhancements. These not only improve Tahoe and Yukon's overall appearance, but also contribute to the vehicles' 0.34 drag coefficient.

The superior passenger comfort of Tahoe has been maintained throughout, with a quiet cabin environment at the top of the list.

All Hybrid models include leather seats, heated front seats, Bose Stereo system with navigation; rear backup camera; front and all-row curtain air bags, air conditioning, all the powers, cruise and 18-inch

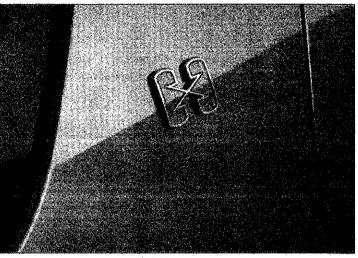
wheels and tires.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 116 inches; 5,835-curb weight; 60.3 cubicfeet of cargo space without the third row; and a turning radius of 39 feet.

The Tahoe Hybrid and GMC Yukon are also recipients of the "Green Car Of The Year" award.

Notable, too, is General Motors first time offering of cash incentives as much as \$4,000 on its full-size 2008 Tahoe and Yukon Hybrids, so now is the time to visit your dealer.

Built in Arlington, Texas, and set to battle competitors such as Ford Expedition, Toyota Sequoia and Chrysler Aspen, we'll rate the new Tahoe Hybrid a 9.5 on a scale of one to 10. I expect it do very well in



2008 Chevrolet Tahoe Hybrid logo.

the marketplace, as timing is everything these days when it comes to a fuel economy conceived full-size SUV.

Likes: 20 plus mpg city and highway is outstanding; great

looks, power when needed, new two mode hybrid system.

Dislikes: High initial cost, but check those incentives. Greg Zyla is a syndicated au-

to columnist.



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Sharp pointers for back to school

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

The term "back to school" rises to a whole new level for the Finazzo family of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Not only are Walker, 7, Max, 9 and Ashley, 16, heading back to school in a few weeks, but so are mom, Linda, a teacher in Center Line Public Schools. and dad, Joe, a special education teacher at Pierce Middle School.

"That first week or so is a little crazy," Linda admits. "We don't operate on much of a schedule during the summer, so trying to get all of us back into a routine takes a bit of work."

Walker will be starting second grade at Kerby, while his older brother will be going into fourth grade. Like most boys in their age group, they are not exactly brimming with enthusiasm. The evidence is in Max's favorite thing to wear to school — a T-shirt declaring, "Homework kills trees. Stop the madness."

Homework is a definitely a family affair with the Finazzos, as all five bring home assignments. Just to add a little extra to the mix, Joe is also working on his master's degree at Wayne State University.

"With Joe not even getting home until 9 o'clock on days he has class, I'll admit we get junk food those nights for dinner." Linda said with a laugh.

home by the kids and their some more homework. But we



PHOTOS BY KATHY RYAN

School supplies are starting to accumulate on dining room tables through the Pointes, and the Finazzo table is no exception. Yep, that's a North Face bag. At right, Pierce Middle School teacher Joe Finazzo heads back to school with the rest of his family, but first he needs to select a tie.

own paperwork, phone calls to parents and lesson planning, Joe and Linda find themselves moving deftly between their parenting and teaching jobs. But when dealing with their own children and their school work, they are just mom and dad.

"We don't know our children at school like their teachers do," said Linda. "We're always parents first."

And as parents, they strive for balance.

"We try to do some home-With assignments brought work, have dinner, then do

always make sure that the kids have time to chill out."

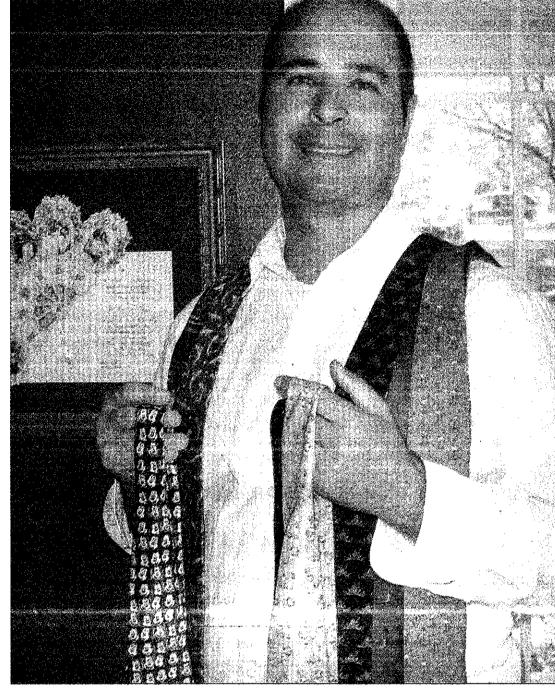
"I don't think teachers realize how stressed homework can make us," said Ashley, who is starting her junior year at Grosse Pointe South High School. "Is there any way to tell teachers that other teachers give homework, too?"

Helping bring all that work home is her North Face messenger-style bag.

"You definitely want a North Face bag," said Ashley. Homework is not on Mara

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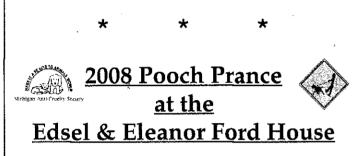
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SCHOOL: Joy of returning to classroom

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Kingscott's mind as yet. The daughter of Sue Mara and Bob Kingscott of the City of Grosse Pointe, she just celebrated her 13th birthday. Mara is still focused on enjoying the last weeks of summer vacation.

But that doesn't mean she isn't thinking about school -and especially what to wear.

"You definitely want a North Face jacket," she said, adding she received one earlier this month for her birthday.

As she starts the eighth grade at Brownell Middle School, she marvels at how fast her middle school years are going by.

"I can't believe that this is going to be my last year," she said. "I can still remember how nervous I was when I started sixth grade. I was so scared that I would walk into the wrong classroom. Now there are other things to worry about, like two weeks of MEAP (Michigan Assessment Program) testing, and I think we'll probably have even more homework because ready for high school.'

But for now, Mara has an eye this year's schedule that includes honors social studies and English, as well as an eye on her closet.

things I'll need," she said. "Backpacks aren't a big thing anymore, so I'll be using the big canvas tote bag I used all summer. Since it's always warm at the beginning of school, everyone will probably be wearing shorts.

"Plaid shorts," she added emphatically.

Not quite fashion conscious yet is Anika Vreeken, 5, of Grosse Pointe Woods, who is starting first grade at University Liggett School.

She picked out a backpack from the Lands' End catalog and already has her ULS uniform. What she's looking forward to most on her first day back to school is seeing her friend, Gabrielle.



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Grosse Pointe North junior Jacqueline Shea likes to keep it simple when it comes to selecting school clothes. Jeans are a must, but when she's in a hurry, sweats will work just as well.

Check school Web site for supply list

sity swim team, Jacqueline and her teammates started practic-Educational ing last week. But school wasn't too far off her radar all summer, since she had required reading for an advanced placethe teachers will be getting us ment language and composition class.

She sandwiched the assignments between her job as a lifeguard and her schedule with the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club swim team. That didn't "I already have some of the leave much time to worry about what to wear the first day of school, which definitely works to her mother's advantage

'We've learned to wait a few weeks before we think about clothes," said Carol Shea. "We wait for the trends to sort of evolve, a more of a wait and see mode."

But Jacqueline knows what she'll be carrying.

"Definitely a North Face North. backpack," she said.

Things are a bit easier for Stephanie Shea, 10, who starts the fifth grade at Star of the Sea Catholic School where uniforms are the order of the day.

"I don't mind them too much," she said. And when

Before starting any back to school shopping, parents are advised to check their school's Web sites for supply lists and dress codes, since they vary from school to school.

However, all Grosse Pointe public schools ban anything with messages regarding drugs, alcohol, tobacco or inappropriate language.

Jeans seem to be the operative word for both girls and boys across all grade levels. And while boys include khakis on their shopping lists, the one word seems to have fallen out of the girls' fashion vocabulary is leggings.

"I haven't seen a pair all summer," said Brownell eighth grader Mara Kingscott.

Just about any brand of jeans will work, but it appears that the one brand for "must have" back to school gear and outerwear is North Face.

Backpacks, messenger bags, fleeces, jackets, hats anything with a North Face logo will do.

But keep your eye on the new brand in town, Mountain Hardwear, which is slowly making inroads in the outerwear department. That's something to consider before investing your entire 401K in North Face stock.

— Kathy Ryan

"All I wear are jeans, khakis, shorts and polos," he said, not stressing out at about what to wear on the first day of school.

"Oh, and a North Face jacket," he added. "Black or gray, it doesn't matter."

she's not in uniform, "jeans Pointe that North Face any- clothes shopping. thing seems to be the name du jour for back to school. It ap- mer wardrobe mind set. I'll pears to be going international. Andrew Hauler, 13, will be taking the lessons he learned at Brownell Middle School to the Bonn International School in Bonn, Germany this year. His dad, Steve, has taken an overseas assignment, so along with mom, Lori, and sister, Sarah, 14. the family will be living in Germany for the next two

Andrew said. "Jeans and khakis are what everyone seems to wear. And definitely a North Face jacket."

The faculty might not be into North Face like their students, but that doesn't mean teachers like Linda and Joe Finazzo And it's just not in Grosse don't do some back to school

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"I haven't seen her all summer," she said.

For Grosse Pointe North junior Jacqueline Shea, 16, back to school means back to the pool.

As a member of the Grosse Pointe North High School var-



and cute tops" are what she enjoys most.

And while math is her favorite subject, there's also English and social studies. For those big homework nights, Stephanie brings her work back and forth between home and school in a rolling backpack.

"I have lots of books and lots of homework, so it makes it easier," she said.

And it can't get much easier years. for Peter Shea, 14, who will be starting his freshman year at will be all that different,"

"I have to get out of my sumhave to find some shoes that aren't flip flops," said Linda with a laugh.

And for Joe, it means picking out new ties.

Known at Pierce for his humorous collection of unique ties that include frogs, flamingos, Mickey Mouse and holiday themes, Joe is always on the search for new ones.

Now if North Face made ties, "I don't think the kids there he'd be the trendiest teacher in the district.

RIDE OF THE POIN

General

Emily C. Solecki of Grosse

Motors

David De Boer of the City of awarded a summer internship of Grosse Pointe Park. Grosse Pointe was named to at the Dean's List at Hope College Corporation. for the spring semester.

Robert J. Cudini of Grosse

Pointe Farms was named to the Pointe Park was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2007 se- Dean's List for the Spring semester at the University of mester at Grand Valley State College of University. She is the daughter Michigan, Engineering. He was also of Greg and Cathleen Solecki



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Elizabeth T. Petit, daughter of Daniel and Allyn Petit of the City of Grosse Pointe, graduated from Colby College in Maine.

She also was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School. *** * ***

Keriann Engle, a 2001 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law. She is the daughter of Pat and John Engle, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Andrew M. Augustine of Grosse Pointe Park received a Bachelor of Science degree in automotive marketing from Northwood University in Midland.

He also was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2008 semester.

Gina Baratta, a 2004 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2008 semester at Indiana University. She is the daughter of Emmet and Alexandra Baratta of Grosse Pointe Woods.

FACES 38

Kids on the Go continue children's development

Kids on the Go, a summer educational program for special needs children, is now in session.

"Kids on the Go provided free therapy to 75 children last summer, helping them retain what they learned while teaching them new life skills," said St. John Macomb-Oakland Hospital speech-language pathologist Kristy Piana Schena.

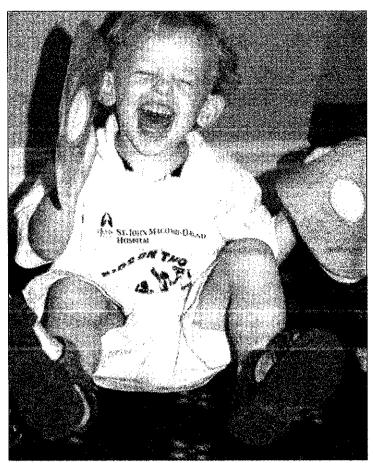
"We step in where the system would fail — by providing needed services for children up to 6 years old. Most insurance companies restrict therapy services for children from birth to 6 years of age, a crucial time in their development. We make sure they succeed."

Schena launched Kids on the Go in 1999, bringing an interdisciplinary approach to creative education. The program provides occupational therapy for children ages 3 to 6 years for six weeks during the summer months.

Services are provided free through scholarships. Costs are covered by fundraising and through donations by local businesses, charitable organizations and private donations.

Kids on the Go has benefited more than 400 children since its inception.

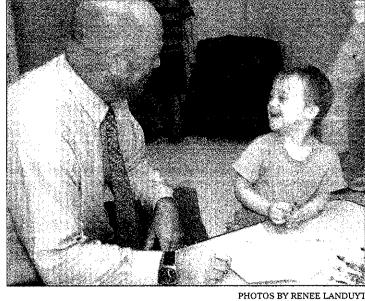
"Through the generosity of our sponsors and the kindness of the Assumption Cultural ty."



It's a happy day for Dylan Conflitti because he can continue his therapy during the summer months. His sponsor is All Pointes AAA General Agency.

Center, we are happy to announce our successful 10th Schena said. year," "Assumption has welcomed us with open arms and we now open our arms to the communi-

Last year, the Kids on the Go program fundraising efforts fell short by \$5,000, forcing Schena to withdraw physical and speech therapy clinics this year. She attributed the shortfall to the economy, but plans to con-



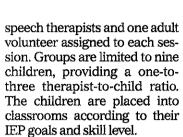
John Sauvé, guest and Joey Gallagher share a laughter after Gallagher finishes his picture.

tinue the program and fundraising efforts.

The program will hold day camps four days a week with a Better Letters Clinic on Fridays.

"I am so grateful for the continued support of so many of our sponsors. Without their generous contributions, Kids on the Go would not be possible," she said.

Kids on the Go uses individualized education plans (IEP), helping children maintain their current skills throughout the summer months. Each classroom is staffed by certified physical, occupational and



vide a scholarship for one 967-7917.



Declan Johnston came up with the idea of using a fist full of crayons for his colorful picture.

child; donations from \$100 to \$499 match another sponsor to create a scholarship; and donations of \$5 to \$99 provide equipment and supplies.

"It gives a rare opportunity for people to actually see their donation in action, to see how they can make a difference and who they are helping," Schena said. "It takes so little to do so much for a child. Kids on the Go makes sure the children who need extra help are able to receive it."

For more information on Kids on the Go donation oppor-Donations of \$500 will pro- tunities, call Schena at (248)





AREA ACTIVITI

Auditions

Grosse Pointe Theatre auditions for the murder mystery "Laura" from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23 and Sunday, Aug. 24 at 315 Fisher. For scripts and more information, call producer Debbie Martell at (734) 564-7256 or Emmajean Evans at (313) 881-4004.

Questers Pettipointe

The opening meeting of Questers Pettipointe Chapter No. 243 begins at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at the home

891-7188.

History."

AAUW

The American Association of University Women, Grosse Pointe branch, kick-off meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, begins with a light supper, business meeting and two-fold program at the Tompkins Center in Grosse Pointe Park. Local author and journalist Tim Kiska will speak on "Detroit Memories: Α Snaphsot of Detroit TV

Library expansion. Reservations may be called

in to Kyle Metry at (586) 445-0800. Supper costs \$5 and is payable at the door.

VNA

Visiting The Nurse Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsors hospice volunteer training from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, 13



the proposed Central Branch and 20, at the association's headquarters, 25900Greenfield, Suite 600. Attendance at all three sessions

is required. Between two and four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, call patients, provide respite for family members or provide office support. Volunteers are matched with patients in their community.

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of Sally Brownlee, who will present a paper on the history of coffee and coffee mills. Mary Lou Lefevre is the cohostess. A salad luncheon and dessert will be provided by the members.

Reservations must be in to Brownlee by Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Detroit Eastern reunion

Detroit Eastern High School annual all-class reunion will be from 2 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan, Warren. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. and a sit down dinner will be served at 3 p.m.

Advanced reservations are due by Sept. 28. The cost is \$30.

For more information, call Bob Butler at (586) 412-9998 or Terry Des Rivers Edwards at (313) 885-2562 or (313) 300 6385.

Denby reunion

The 1953 class of Edwin Denby High School is looking for classmates to attend the dinner reunion at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at Capital Banquet Center, 123 31 Mile, Washington Township.

For more information, call Doris Burrows Firestine at (586) 266-3319, Jean Sidon Like at (586) 268-4954 or Bob Pinder at (248) 332-8028.

Pooch walk

The 24th annual 10K Pooch Prance steps off at 10:30 a.m., rain or shine, Sunday, Sept. 7, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, to benefit the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society.

Check-in is at 9:30 a.m. For more information or a registration form, call (313)

Marcia Scavarda from the Grosse Pointe Public Library will present a scale model of

8:30 am Vitality Plus (Aerobics)

9:30 am Pointes of Horticulture

10:00 am Who's in the Kitchen?

11:00 am Out of the Ordinary

12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit

11:30 am Tech Pointes

1:00 pm The SOC Show

1:30 pm Great Lakes Log

2:00 pm The John Prost Show

2:30 pm Consumer's Corner

4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)

4:30 pm Young View Pointes

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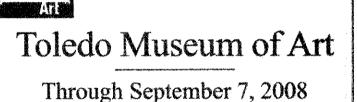
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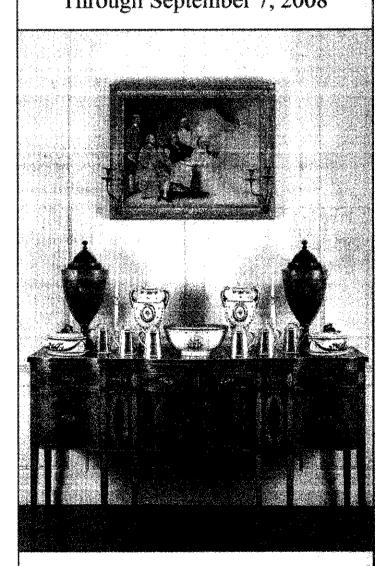
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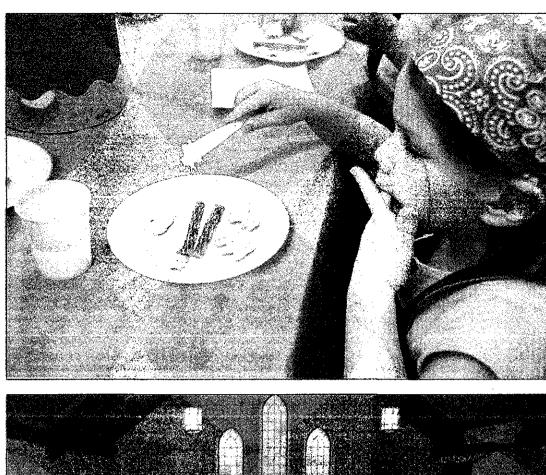


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CHURCHES 48

Songs, food and skits

Each evening, the Grosse Pointe Presbyterian Church's Vacation Bible School started with songs and skits to get the children geared up for stories, recreational activities and snacks. One evening it was a pirate themed which teams of children ran to a treasure chest to pick up a gold coin and return it to the team captain. On another day, snack time had a carousel theme that included animal crackers riding on a red licorice stick. Svea Swanson found this to be a special treat.





NEWARRIVALS

Anthony Laszlo Nesom

Scott and Meredith Nesom of St. Clair Shores are the parents of a son, Anthony Laszlo Nesom, born July 23, 2008.

Grandparents are Leslie and Mary Anne Komlosan of Harper Woods and Dr. Robert and Victoria Nesom of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Lucille Birg of Roseville and Helen Komlosan of Florida are the great-grandmothers.

Addison Raquel St. John

Robert and Heather St. John of Eastpointe are the parents of a daughter, Addison Raquel St. John, born July 30, 2008.

Joseph and Florence St. John of St. Clair Shores are the paternal grandparents.

Maternal grandparents are Geri and Greg Tabaka of Rose City

Great-grandparents are Tom and Helen Barney of Macomb Township.

Abigail Caroline Gokenbach

Rick and Casey (Lunsford) Gokenbach of Teaneck, N.J., are the parents of a daughter, Abigail Caroline Gokenbach, born May 17, 2008.

Norma Lunsford, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, is the maternal grandmother.

Paternal grandparents are Rick and Val Gokenbach of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Caroline Zarski is the paternal great-grandmother.

Maximillian Michael Grekowicz

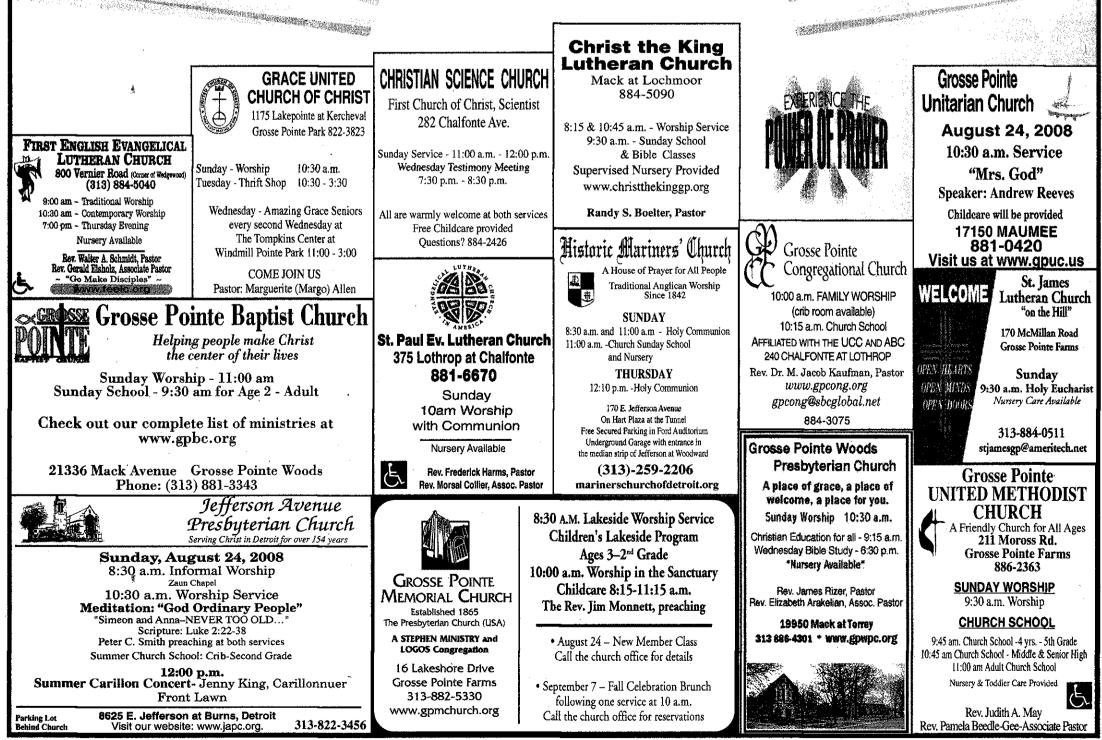
Rob and Cathy (Lunsford) Grekowicz of Rochester Hills are the parents of a son, Maximillian (Max) Michael Grekowicz, born July 7, 2008.

Norma Lunsford, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, is the maternal grandmother.

Paternal grandparents are Jim and Marge Grokowicz of Macomb Township.



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HEALTH

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HEALTH COLUMN By Jeff and Debra Jay

What does an addict look like?



ear Jeff and Debra: My sister is 34 years old and claims she doesn't have a problem with her "recreational" alcohol and drug use. As proof, she points to the fact that she's held the same job for seven years and has never been fired. What she doesn't say is she often misses work and had a string of rotten relationships. I usually don't say anything, but I'd like to set her straight. What do you think?

-SILENT SISTER

Dear Silent: A 2007 report from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration states that most alcohol and drug abusers hold full time jobs. The findings show that more than 16 million illicit drug users and more than 15 million heavy drinkers go to work at least 32 hours per week.

However, there are many negative consequences. The study shows that these alcohol and drug users have serious health risks and tend to be less productive than others.

"Employees who use drugs miss work more often, are less healthy and are more prone to harming themselves and others in the workplace," according to John Walters, director of National Drug Control Policy.

So, your sister may be holding down a full-time job, but is she really doing her best? Are there any other negative consequences as a result of her drinking and drugging, such as financial difficulties? Is she less likely to maintain a good relationship because her priorities are skewed?

Employers certainly pay a high price for their alcohol and drug abusing employees. But there is something that can be done about it. Workplace drug testing policies can drastically

curtail the problem, both at the hiring phase and on a random, ongoing basis.

The new SAMSHA study showed that construction and food service workers were most likely to abuse alcohol and illicit drugs. Drug use and heavy alcohol use are associated with higher levels of absenteeism. Illicit drug users said they would be much less likely to work for an employer who had regular drug testing procedures in place.

"The high rates of drug and alcohol use in hazardous industries is cause for concern," said Elena Carr, drug policy coordinator at the U.S. Department of Labor. "Clearly businesses can ill-afford the risk of having workers operating meat slicers, backhoes, or other dangerous equipment while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, which is one reason why DOL helps employers and employees work together to proactively prevent such safety hazards."

Public health risks are being addressed by SAMHSA through 1-800-Workplace (1800-967-5752), a helpline for employees and businesses dealing with problems related to substance abuse.

"The helpline provides advice on programs that can make a dramatic difference to everyone in the workplace programs such as substance abuse policy development, supervisor and employee substance abuse education, employee assistance and drug testing," according to Terry Cline, Ph.D.

The questions to ask your sister are: "Is alcohol or drug use causing any kind of problem in your life? Are you continuing with this alcohol and drug use anyway? If so, she may well have a problem

One way for her to find out is to schedule an assessment with a certified alcohol and drug counselor at a licensed treatment center, like Brighton Hospital, Maple Grove or Eastwood Clinic. The SAMSHA study is based

on data collected from 2002-04 from a nationally representative sample of 128,000 persons ages 18 to 64 who participated in the National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

Illicit drug use is defined in the survey as use of marijuana/hashish, cocaine, heroin, hallucinogens, inhalants, or prescription drugs used nonmedicinally. Heavy alcohol use was defined as drinking five or more drinks on the same occasion on five or more days in the past 30 days.

Many people with alcohol or drug problems underestimate the amount of their use as well as the negative consequences. Often people who are close to

the alcohol or drug abuser have a more accurate view for the simple reason they're not under the influence and are less likely to rationalize negative consequences.

If you believe your sister has a problem, perhaps it's time to start talking with other family members and friends to see how you might break through your sister's denial and get her some real help.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors or coauthors of several books on addiction and recovery. They can be contacted at lovefirst.net



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ASK THE EXPERTS By Gary Trock and Debbie Adsit

Preparing for school routine



My family has had a fun, busy summer. Now that school is just a few weeks away, how can I best prepare my children for their school routine without cutting short their summer fun?

"You are smart to realize • that after a long summer, most students need to reset their biological clocks. A lack of sleep can adversely affect performance, attention span and physical health," said Gary Trock, director of pediatric

sleep: Follow a consistent bedtime routine. ◆ Establish a relaxing setting

at bedtime. Make the bedroom quiet,

dark and a bit cool. Do not have computers or televisions in a bedroom.

♦ Get up the same time every morning.

♦ Avoid food or drink that contains caffeine as well as any medication that has a stimulant before bedtime.

 Don't go to bed hungry, but don't eat a big meal before bedtime.

 Avoid any rigorous exercise within six hours of bedtime.

There is so much talk $\mathbf{\Lambda}$

help children load and wear backpacks the right way to avoid health problems. The American Occupational Therapy Association offers the following backpack tips:

 Never let a child carry more than 15 percent of his or her body weight. This means a child who weighs more than 100 pounds shouldn't wear a loaded backpack heavier than 15 pounds.

Load heaviest items closest to the child's back.

Arrange books and materials so they won't slide around in the backpack.

 Check what your child carries to school and brings home. Make sure the items are necessary for the day's activities.

 Adjust the shoulder straps so the pack fits snugly to the child's back. A pack that hangs loosely from the back can pull the child backward and strain muscles.

• Wear the waist belt if the backpack has one. This helps distribute the pack's weight more evenly.

◆ The bottom of the pack should rest in the curve of the lower back. It should never rest more than four inches below the child's waistline.

 School backpacks come in different sizes for different ages. Choose the right size pack for your child's back as well as one with enough room for necessary school items.

◆ If the load is too heavy or the child is unable to carry books, Adsit suggests parents ask teachers for two sets of books - one for school and one for home.

neurology and co-director of Sleep Evaluation Services at Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. "Parents need to make sure their children go to bed earlier each night.'

It's important students have a period of 10 to 14 days to readjust, he added. To be effective, it must be a gradual process. Trock cautions parents not to let their children sleep in on the weekends. This will undo their best attempts to reset their internal clocks for the coming school year.

Sunlight exposure each morning is important too.

The American Academy of Sleep Medicine offers the following tips to ensure children and teens get a restful night's

• about school backpacks causing long-term health problems. How can I ensure my children are not jeopardizing their health just by carrying their school books and supplies?

"Heavy backpacks can A. cause many problems for school children, including back pain, neck pain, tingling arms and poor posture," said Debbie Adsit, O.T.R., pediatric rehabilitation services supervisor at the Beaumont Health Center in Royal Oak. "It's time to remind students, parents and educators of the importance of packing it light and wearing it right."

 On days the backpack is too loaded, your child can hand carry a book or other item.

♦ If the backpack is too heavy, consider using a book bag on wheels.

Both shoulder straps should always be worn. Wearing a pack slung over one shoulder can cause a child to lean to one side, curving the spine and causing pain or discomfort.

 Select a pack with wellpadded should straps. Blood vessels and nerves in the shoulders and neck can cause pain and tingling in the neck, arms and hands when too much pressure is applied.

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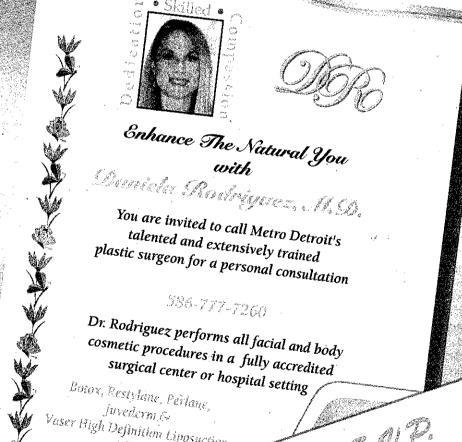
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STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Suczek

Serious play turned into a rip-roaring drama



nly Stratford can bring to the stage a serious and challenging script by the greatest playwright of Spain's Golden Age and turn it into a rip-roaring human drama.

Based on a cruel tale of late medieval tyranny, "Fuente Ovejuna" by Lope de Vega in a new English version by Laurence Boswell, is endowed by Stratford players with a panoply of love, hate, humor, idealism and a rising passion for freedom and justice.

The dating of the play puts no limit on its timeliness. Its reflection of human ideals and values is universal.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

The setting is a village in southern Spain in the era of Ferdinand and Isabella's 15th century consolidation of their rule, which provides wonderful opportunities to enrich the scene with touches of folk culture of the times. But the basis of the plot is the dictatorial rule of its military commander.

The village is basically a small community of sheep herders who are little more than the commander's slaves. He treats them with feigned consideration, while committing abuses of human rights to suit his whims. The most egregious is his exercise of the power to take his pick of the women in the town. The few who resist meet with brutal treatment as do any of their men who try to defend them. It is a grim revelation of the brutality of feudal society. We can find analogies in the treat-

ment suffered by slaves on plantations in America as well as the subjugation of women in other societies.

The tyrannical Commander Guzman is brilliantly portrayed by Scott Wentworth, who captures with gritty conviction the sense of his selfrighteous power over the villagers. His smarmy assurances of chivalrous treatment provide an appalling cover for his abuse of power.

His subjects, on the other hand, played by James Blendick as the mayor, Robert Persichini as Mengo, Lindsay Thomas as Jacinta, Nigel Shawn Williams as Barrildo, and their fellow citizens, give grim insights into the mindset of a feudal society. This shows their helplessness to oppose the inhuman treatment of their ruthless overlord. At the same time, they reflect the indomitable quality of the hu-

man spirit by enlivening and enriching the action with laughable ironies and their own comments on their situation like "the men you hate most live the longest."

The power of spirit is exemplified with determination as the mayor's daughter, Laurencia and her suitor, Frondoso, foil the commander's attempts to take her to bed, while he holds Frondoso in prison. Sara Topham and Jonathan Goad escape the commander briefly. While he goes off to fight a war, they move ahead with their wedding. It is yet another occasion for the ordinary people to show their love of life with a picturesque ceremony and wedding dance with guitars strumming and folk dancers strutting.

The scene becomes grimly dramatic, however, when the commander arrives back from his war and his reprisals become even worse. The awakening of the townsfolk to the reality that they must eliminate their tyrant is a remarkable process expressed by the cast with amazing vitality. How they overcome their mindset of feudal subjection, how they foment what amounts to a small revolution, and join together in a common cause to save their town is inspiration.

The tipping point comes when Laurencia escapes from the commander's quarters and berates the men of the town, especially her father, for failing their women. It is a powerful statement delivered with telling passion making a woman the real motivator of change in a troubled society. Lope de Vega's genius and

the skill of translator Boswell bring these ideas into clear focus for our contemporary

views. While Fuente Ovejuna is a really exciting story of the ability of a community to meet the grimmest of challenges in a culture of brutality and to do so with humor, it is also a moving tale of the triumph of love and the hidden powers of a woman aroused. There are some tragedies in the overall story but it is especially interesting to note how Lope de Vega, in an era when royalty still claimed divine rights, crafted a happy ending in which King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella quietly abjure the status quo. This is a particularly exciting and intriguing piece of historic theater.

FUENTE OVEJUNA is presented in repertory at the Tom Patterson Theatre through Oct. 4. For tickets, accommodations and information on special ticket offers call 800-567-1600 or visit stratford shakespearefestival.com.

Fresh fettuccine with orange marmalade



resh pasta is a splurge in my house. While refrigerated pasta is a step up in cost, it is (in my culinary opinion) worth it.

The standard package size for fresh pasta is about nine ounces, a perfect portion to feed two and have another portion for lunch the next day. It requires less cooking water than the dried pasta and doesn't expand as much.

And finally, the actual cooking time is just a few minutes, or even less, depending on which fresh pasta is chosen.

I tossed fresh fettuccine with bacon and caramelized onion.

that's really special.

Fresh Fettuccine A la Orange

19-oz. package fresh fettuccine

3 to 4 tablespoons olive oil 1 medium onion, halved and thinly sliced 6 slices cooked bacon, cut into bite sized pieces (not crumbled), about 1 cup

2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary

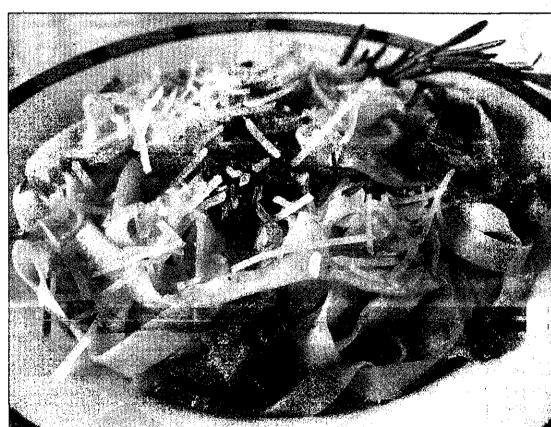
3 tablespoons orange marmalade salt and pepper to taste

Bring a medium pot of water to a boil. Meanwhile, in a medium no-stick skillet heat 3 tablespoons of olive oil over medium heat. Add the onion and cook until they begin to brown (not burn), about 10 minutes or so. (Give the onions time to start browning before you stir them.) Add the bacon and cook for a few minutes. Add the rosemary and the marmalade and stir to combine. Taste and season with salt and pepper.

Adjust the heat to low.

Place the pasta in the boiling water and cook for three minutes or so. Drain the pasta, reserving 1/2 cup of the cooking water. Add the drained fettuccine to the skillet and toss with the marmalade mixture. Add 1/4 cup of the reserved pasta water and continue to toss until well combined. (Add more pasta water, if needed.) Serve immediately topped with grated Parmesan cheese.

It took me about 25 minutes from start to finish to prepare this deliciously different take on pasta. My bacon was already cooked (leftover from a big breakfast.) You can purchase already cooked bacon at the grocery store, which makes this pasta (I got the idea from "Food & Wine") not only tasty but super simple at the same time. Enjoy fettuccine a la orange as a meal or paired with fresh salmon from the grill.



A glaze sauce made with orange marmalade and fresh rosemary give this pasta a taste

landscape.

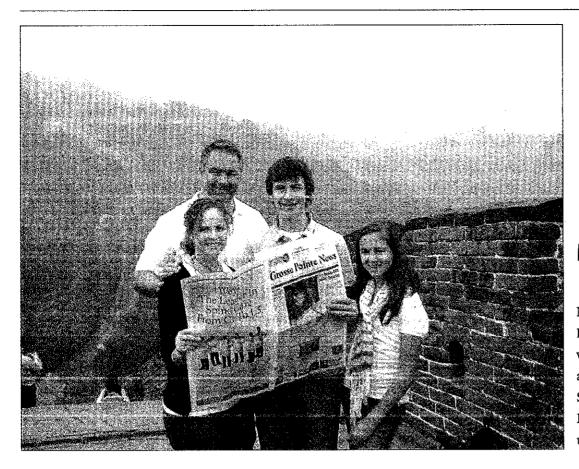
to come."

Add a fresh garden salad and you've got a perfect weeknight dinner.

Orange marmalade puts a new taste into this fresh pasta recipe

Calder sculpture **CLUB NEWS** on display **Return to: The Grosse Pointe News** 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 "Young Woman and Her Suitors," a sculpture, by Alexander Calder, standing 35 Fax: (313) 882-1585 Attention: Ann Fouty feet high and weighing 17 tons will soon return to Detroit's Name of organization ____ Donated to the Detroit Is this a non-profit organization? A special interest club? Other? ____ Institute of Arts by AT&T last October, the sculpture formerly anchored the exterior plaza Purpose of organization. Tell us what your group does - projects; fundraising of the AT&T building at Cass and Michigan avenues. events; program topics; whatever __ Preparations to install the sculpture will begin soon on the DIA's lawn at the corner of What kind of members or volunteers are you looking for? _____ Farnsworth and John R. The sculpture has undergone conservation treatment Ages ______ Skills _____ Interests _____ to bring it back to its original splendor, which includes re-Approximate time commitment necessary _____ painting it from red to black. Its central image is a feminized Dues or expenses? curvilinear shape flanked by Do members need their own transportation? vertical or masculine forms. The combination of the round-Where do volunteer activities and/or meetings take place? _____ ed and more geometric shapes suggests an interaction, or dialogue, between a young girl and her entourage. Who to contact for more information "We are extremely grateful to AT&T for this generous gift, which was announced official-_ Phone number _ E-mail ly last October," said Graham W. J. Beal, DIA director. "We Is there other information prospective volunteers might need to know about had to delay installation until your organization? (Use another sheet of paper if necessary.)_ weather conditions were appropriate. This monumental sculpture will become a landmark on John R and contribute to the University Cultural Center Association's drive." "This sculpture is a Detroit treasure and has been for PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT more than 30 years," State Sen. Buzz Thomas said. "I am Elvis fan so pleased that AT&T decided to continue its commitment to our city by donating it to the Grace Reyes is definitely an Elvis fan. The 7-year-old has seen Elvis impersonator Darrin Hagel performing "My Tribute to DIA and making it available Deadline for return is 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22 for viewing for generations Elvis" three times. Most recently, she put on her pink poodle skirt to hear him in concert at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

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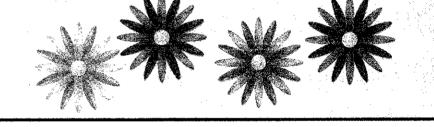


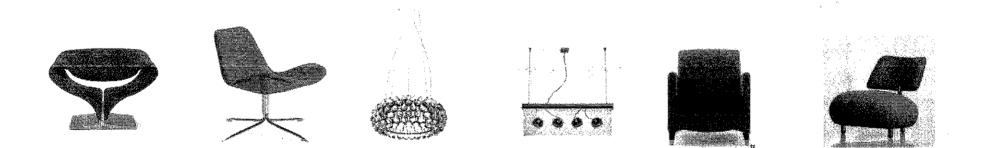
The Great Wall readers

Michael and Anne McBrien and their children, Tommy, 15, and Maggie, 12, were just outside of Beijing on the Great Wall of China when they stopped to read the Grosse Pointe News May 1. The wall was started around 200 B.C. and stretches more than 4,000 miles. 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. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.









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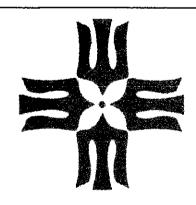
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Two former ULS lacrosse coaches make state hall of fame PAGE 3C

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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Riashi earns GVSU scholarship

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

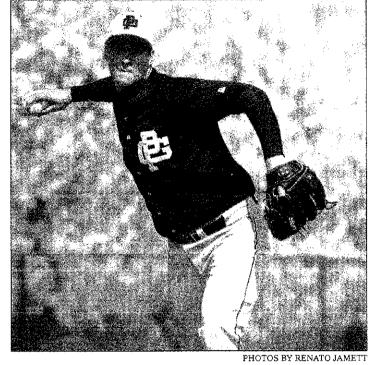
Mark Riashi set the standard for pitching excellence at Grosse Pointe South High School.

The 18-year-old graduate finished one of the best seasons in Blue Devil history in June with a school-record 12 wins against only two losses. Riashi had a 1.41 earned run ball

ly 74 2/3 innings pitched. In it up, especially in the league. league play he was a perfect 7-0 with an unheard of 0.00 earned run average.

This amazing accomplishment helped Riashi earn Macomb Area Conference (MAC) White Division most valuable player accolades.

"We needed Mike to that ace," said South varsity basehead coach Dan



Mark Riashi fielded this bunt attempt and turned it into an out during his first appearance pitching against heated rival Grosse Pointe North in 2008.

average, striking out 111 in on- Griesbaum. "He really stepped

"Mark has three pitches he can throw for strikes and he has movement and great location to go with those pitches."

"I had a lot of fun during my senior season at South," Riashi said. "It was great beating (Grosse Pointe) North in the district championship game, but it was very disappointing losing to Royal Oak in the regional semifinals.

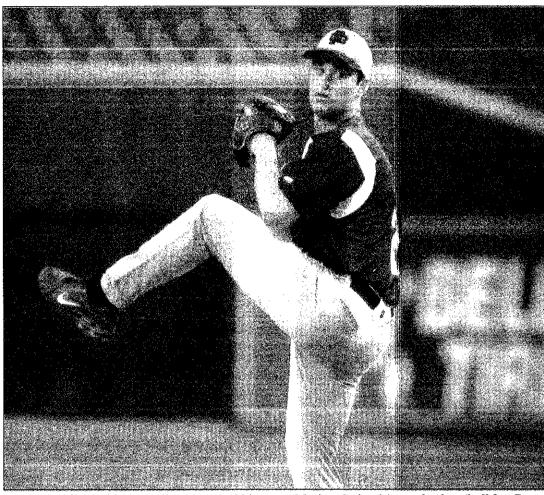
"I really thought we were the better team, but things didn't go our way."

The 6-foot-2-inch, 195pound pitcher is taking his game to the college level. In a few weeks, Riashi will be with his new teammates at Grand Valley State University, testing the talent at the next level.

"I feel Mark can do well at the college level," Griesbaum said. "Mark doesn't rely on only one pitch to get hitters out, which will help him at the college level."

Riashi's fastball has been clocked at a top speed of 91 mph and his average pitch speed is between 86 and 88 mph.

Through his college career, Riashi will be able to add a couple of miles per hour to his fastball. In addition, he can throw a change-up or curveball for strikes, which was a main reason he struck out more than



Mark Riashi's pitching excellence earned him an athletic scholarship to play baseball for Grand Valley State University.

one hitter per inning as a senior. "I can't wait to play college

baseball at Grand Valley," he said. "I loved the campus the first time I visited last summer

long to realize this is where I are either a junior or senior; so wanted to play my college baseball."

In the upcoming season, Grand Valley's men's baseball

for a camp. It didn't take me team will field 10 pitchers who getting quality innings might be tough as a freshman.

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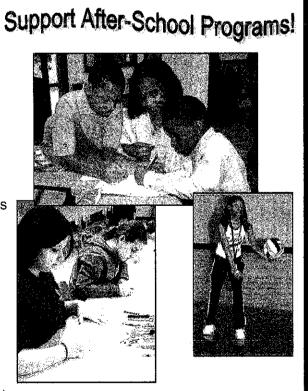
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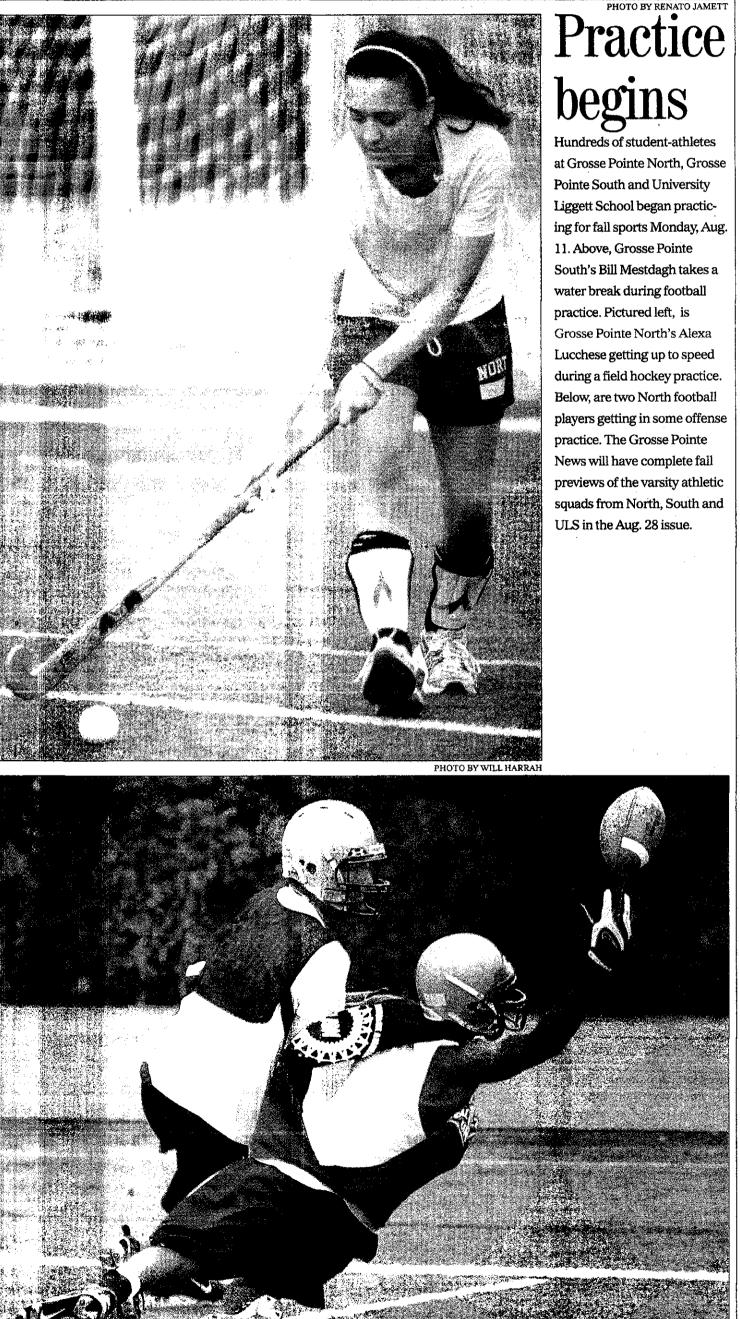
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Tee sponsors are needed, and all proceeds benefit the which is a \$100 donation. Register by calling Dave Bilbrey at (313) 598-8116. Call The fee includes 18 holes of Cedar Glen at (586) 725-8156

KAYAKING

Pointer wins race

Bradley Bloomhuff won the Robert Bridenbaugh of Fair Bay Rama Kayak Race held in June.

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident won the three-mile event with a time of 35:59, which was 10 seconds ahead of runner-up Ernest Pilon of St. Clair Shores.

Bunn of New Baltimore, 38:18; John Burak of Belleville, 41:55; finish.

Haven, 42:30; Doug Carnegie of Lake Orion, 43:44; Debbie Merlo of Eastpointe, 45:57; Suzanne Gauvreau of Royal Oak, 47:45; Bill Bade of New Baltimore, 47:49; Magan Lippman of New Baltimore, 51:42 and Adam Dombrowski Other finishers were Kevin of Casco, 52:01. Jacob DeYounger of Algonac, did not

RIASHI: South grad at GVSU

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"I know I might not pitch too much as a freshman, but I just want to come in and learn from the upperclassmen," Riashi said. "I will get my time to pitch a lot of innings and if it isn't this year, that is OK."

Riashi said he dreams of playing Major League Baseball. Former Grosse Pointe South baseball standout Chris Getz was recently called up from the minors and is playing for the Chicago White Sox. Due to an injury to Joe Crede and an ineffective Josh Fields, Goetz will get the chance of a lifetime to play for the White Sox, who are smack dab in the middle of a pennant chase. Riashi was told by his coach-

es at Grand Valley to stay in the best shape he can during the



Mark Riashi

With each game he started, Riashi pitched with the support of his mom, Diane, and dad, Mark, in the stands. He is also a good teacher to his younger brothers, Anthony, a junior at South; Matt, 12; and Luke, 10; and younger sister, Sarah, 4.

Before taking to the diamond this spring, Riashi helped the Blue Devils' varsity

summer and come to school in the fall hungry and ready to play collegiate baseball.

"I'm a little nervous because I will be on my own for the first time," he said. "However, this is something I have worked hard to achieve and now it's time for me go out to Grand Valley and be a good student-athlete."

Grand Valley under head coach Steve Lyon, was 34-13 in the 2007-08 season, losing 8-0 to Saint Joseph's (Ind.) in a North Central Regional.

Riashi received dozens of letters and telephone calls from colleges, including several Division I.

"I totally feel comfortable with my decision to play at Grand Valley," Riashi said. "I went over this decision with my parents and coaches and we felt this was the best fit."

He began playing Little League at age 7. Through a decade of advancing among the different age groups, Riashi has raised the bar at each stop. During his junior year at South, Riashi earned all-district honors. This year, he was named to the prestigious "Dream Team," as well as earning Division I All-State Michigan. and All-League accolades.

football team post a winning record (5-4) for the first time in his tenure.

"It was great helping the team finish with a winning season," he said. "We played some great games and lost a heartbreaker to North and Cousino, but overall I thought all of us played hard in every practice and every game."

He loves football, but baseball is Riashi's passion. He is also a good student, finishing his four years of high school with a 3.1 grade point average.

"I am going to major in business, but I'm not sure what direction I will go in when I graduate," he said. "I'm taking general education classes this fall. I have time to get it all together.

He leaves for Grand Valley Aug. 20 and classes begin Aug. 26. His fall season starts, too.

Several of Riashi's teammates are also playing college baseball. They are Chris Stephens, Hillsdale; Mike Herzog and Ben Muer, Adrian; Tom Carion and Brian Barclay, Kalamazoo College; Tom Remillet, Calvin; Tyler Viarnes, Marion Military Institute; and Max Pearson, Western

ALBION COLLEGE

Graduates shine on athletic fields

Grosse Pointe South gradu- field teams. ates Eric Backman and Emily McLaughlin are two of 106 Albion College scholar-athletes who have been named to the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association's Academic Honor Roll.

Backman, who graduated in May, was a member of the men's cross-country and track and field teams. McLaughlin, who completed her first year at Albion, is also a member of the cross-country and track and

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Hole in one

Jimmy Lehman, 12, shot a hole in one Sunday, Aug. 10.

He used a seven iron to ace the 121-yard par 3 third hole at Hidden Harbour Golf Course in Caseville.

Lehman of the City of Grosse Pointe, shot a 45 on the front nine.

SPORTS

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Burchi ready for life as a MSU Spartan

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Mike Burchi is moving from the comfortable confines of University Liggett School and heading to the mega-campus of Michigan State University at the end of this month.

"It will seem a little weird going to MSU and being among thousands of students considering my classes at Liggett were pretty small," Burchi, 18, said. "I'm ready for the challenge."

Burchi, of Grosse Pointe Farms, spent his entire lower and upper school career at ULS. His graduating class at ULS will have less students than some of his freshman classes at MSU.

"I feel confident leaving ULS and heading to college," Burchi said. "I received a great education at Liggett and now I'm ready for the transition.

"I'm a little nervous because the campus is so big compared with ULS, but I get the opportunity to spend my freshman year with my older brother, Joe, who is finishing his degree at MSU.'

Joe Burchi, 21, is a senior and will graduate in December. Mike said he will have the luxury of leaning on his older brother to help him discover the do's and don't of academic and social life as a Spartan.

Joe and Clare Burchi, 24, also graduated from ULS. However, Clare attended Lehigh University where she played women's lacrosse and is currently a teacher at ULS.

Burchi said the family gets their athletic talents from their father, Al, who was a gymnast at MSU and from their mom, Barb, whose has a brother who ULS.' played football at the University of Michigan.



Mike Burchi

last a lifetime.

"I had a blast during my senior year in school and in athletics," he said. "I was able to play with a great group of guys and end my career on a high note.'

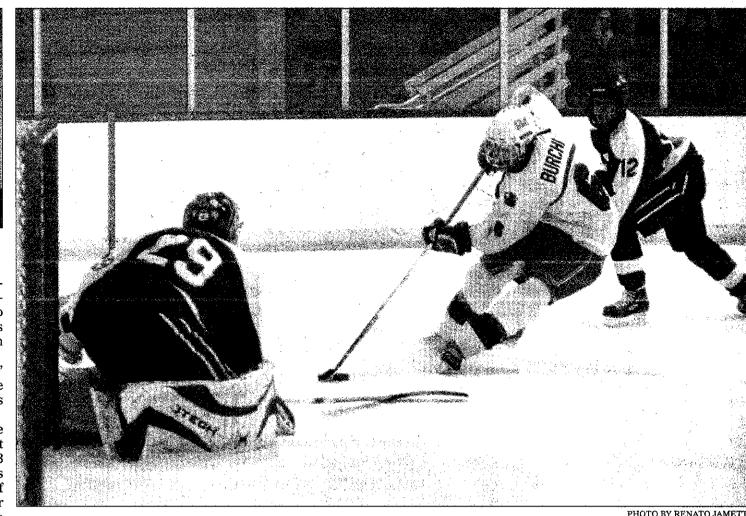
He was one of the Knights' leading scorers during lacrosse in the spring, netting 27 goals and 25 assists.

His experience helped the Knights post one of their best records in years, finishing 11-3 overall. Included in the 11 wins was a stunning 11-9 playoff first-round victory over Orchard Lake St. Mary and a sweep of city foes Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South.

"Winning that playoff game over St. Mary was great, but beating North and South in the same season was even better," Burchi said. "Getting bragging rights was a great way for us seniors to end our lacrosse careers.'

"Mike is a great team player," lacrosse head coach Chris Hartley said before he coached his final game. "He is a gamer and his great work ethic exemplifies what it means to play at

Burchi was just as successful playing for the Knights' ice Burchi finished his senior hockey team, earning second season with memories that will team All-State and team most



Mike Burchi, the youngest of three children, collected 45 points for the Knights' ice hockey team during his senior season, netting 24 goals and 21 assists.

valuable player accolades, thanks to collecting 24 goals and 21 assists.

The team didn't fair as well as lacrosse, finishing with a less than .500 record.

"I learned a lot from Coach (Terry) Olson and we had some fun during my time on the varsity squad," Burchi said. "I played four years of varsity hockey, which I don't think would have happened if I played at South, which I had thoughts of doing after finishing middle school.'

He said his highlights included making a regional championship game his junior year

(losing to eventual state champion Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood) and scoring five goals in a game against Madison Heights Bishop Foley his junior season. "I love hockey and lacrosse," Burchi said. "I am going to try-

out for State's men's lacrosse team and see what happens. "I think I have a chance to

make it." Burchi began playing hockey at the age of 5 in the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association. He also played travel hockey for the Grosse Pointe Bulldogs and St. Clair Shores Saints.

P. C. Martines

the fourth grade when he the lacrosse field, but I give signed up at the Neighborhood both sports my best effort and Club.

His skills improved through his middle school years. It also helped that he grew 10 inches during his four years of high school. He now stands 6-feet, 1-inch and weighs 170 pounds.

After years of playing both sports, he will still give lacrosse the most attention, but hockey will take a back seat.

"Hockey is a huge part of my life, but I realize I can make the lacrosse team at State," Burchi said. "I have never been a His lacrosse career began in bruising player on the ice or end of August.

it paid off."

He finished high school with a 3.2 grade point average. He will take a full load of classes in the fall as he is enrolled in an economics, community, writing and math courses.

"I'm going to take a pre-law curriculum at State, but I'm quite sure what path I will take," Burchi said. "I have some time to map that out. I'm going to enjoy my time in college, study hard and then see what happens."

Burchi leaves for State at the

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

lacrosse hall of fame

Duo elected to state's

The U.S. Lacrosse Michigan scholastic game in 1960. As an they declared the game a draw Hall of Fame inducted former University Liggett School athletic faculty Muriel Brock and Romilly Stackpoole at its inaugural Hall of Fame Day cere-Ann Arbor June 14.

Brock and Stackpoole were giants of Michigan lacrosse, for creating lacrosse programs that helped to expand and grow the sport on a regional and national basis.

Brock came to Grosse Pointe University School in 1956. She was responsible for starting women's scholastic lacrosse in Michigan, along with Maggie Houston from Kingswood High School and Trish Dow Ashuroff, who taught at GPUS from 1959 to 1961.

They organized the first clinic in 1959 and the first inter-

athletic director, Brock was responsible for encouraging other schools to start lacrosse programs. Even after her retirement from ULS in 1992, she monies at Hollway Stadium in can be seen on the sidelines at many ULS games.

"I'm excited to see how the honored, along with six other lacrosse has grown, especially in the Grosse Pointe area. It's such a wonderful, graceful team sport," said Brock.

Stackpoole came to the United States from Ireland in 1962 and taught at Detroit Dominican High School from 1962 to 1964. She coached varsity women's lacrosse at ULS from 1972 to 1983.

In 1977, ULS was the cochampion of the inaugural Midwest Schoolgirls' Lacrosse Tournament, along with Worthington, Ohio.

After a series of overtimes,

and shared the championship.

Romilly started the Middle School interscholastic program in 1984, along with Academy of Sacred Heart, Detroit Country Day and Kingswood. She continued coaching at the middle school level until her retirement in 2000, when she joined the ranks of officials of both lacrosse and field hockey.

She has been a mentor for numerous coaches and officials and has influenced the lives of many students throughout her career.

"I'm thrilled to be honored for a sport that I loved coaching and umpiring. I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to pass on my passion and love for the sport to the students through the years," said Stackpoole.



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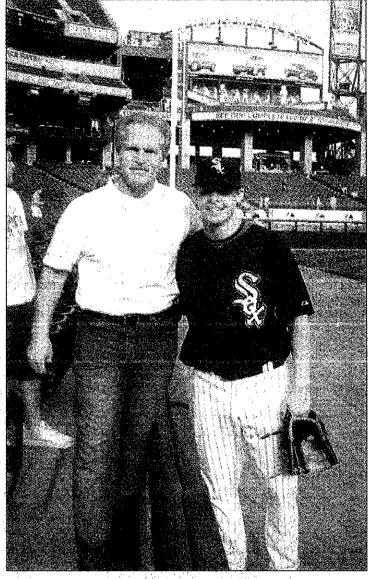
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Getz called up

Chris Getz, a 2002 Grosse Pointe South graduate and member of the Blue Devils' 2001 Division I state championship baseball team, was called up from Triple-A Charlotte to play for the Chicago White Sox. Getz, pictured left with South head baseball coach Dan Griesbaum at U.S. Cellular Field, home of the White Sox, had a hit in his first Major League at-bat, singling up the middle off Kansas City relief pitcher Josh Newman in the eighth inning of Chicago's game Tuesday, Aug. 12. As of Monday, Aug. 18, Getz is 2-for-6 with one RBI. At Charlotte, Getz hit .306 with 24 doubles and 11 stolen bases. He was a fourth-round draft pick in 2005 out of the University of Michigan.



GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North grad earns[,] praise

At the conclusion of the 2008 Heidelberg College men's baseball season, junior co-captain and left fielder Matt Grassley earned All Region -Third Team honors as the 10th tournament.



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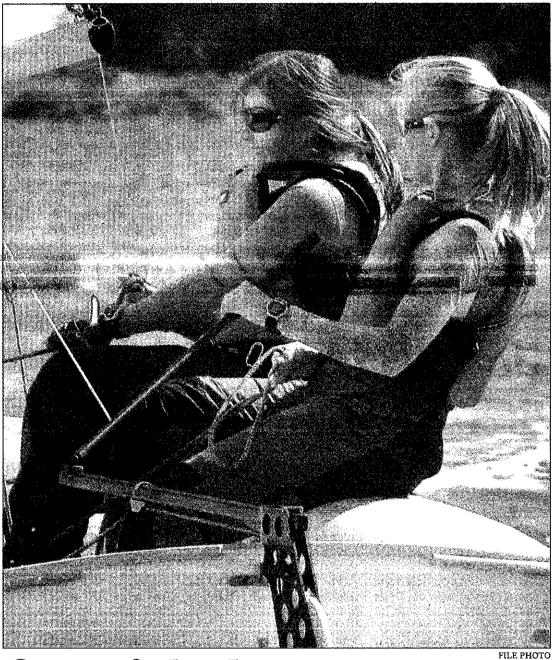
Matt Grassley earned athletic honors at Heidelberg College this season, helping the team compete in a national regional

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Within the league, Grassley lead the way with doubles while also standing in the top five with hits, RBIs and total bases (104).

Grassley continues to pursue his dual major in business administration and sports management.

One of the best

Kelly Seago, right, and her crew, Katie Bill, recently competed in a national tournament. The event is an annual all girls US Sailing event that is composed of the top female sailors from around the country. This year's event was hosted by the Sausalito Yacht Club in California, July 11 to 17. There were 33 boats in the regatta and Seago and Bill placed fifth overall, receiving a medal for the event.

LITTLE LEAGUE District champs

The Grosse Pointe Park 11- and 12-year-olds tournament team won a 2008 district championship this summer, finishing 5-0. Team members are, front row from left, James Fishback, Cody Dawson, Cameron Mogk, Jacob Grossett, Patrick Jackman, Sam Blanzy and Charlie Warren; middle row from left, Jack Crane, Trent Maghielse, Jack Warren, Danny Dixon, Zach Moyer and Andrew Fabry; and back row from left, Coach Rocky Blanzy,



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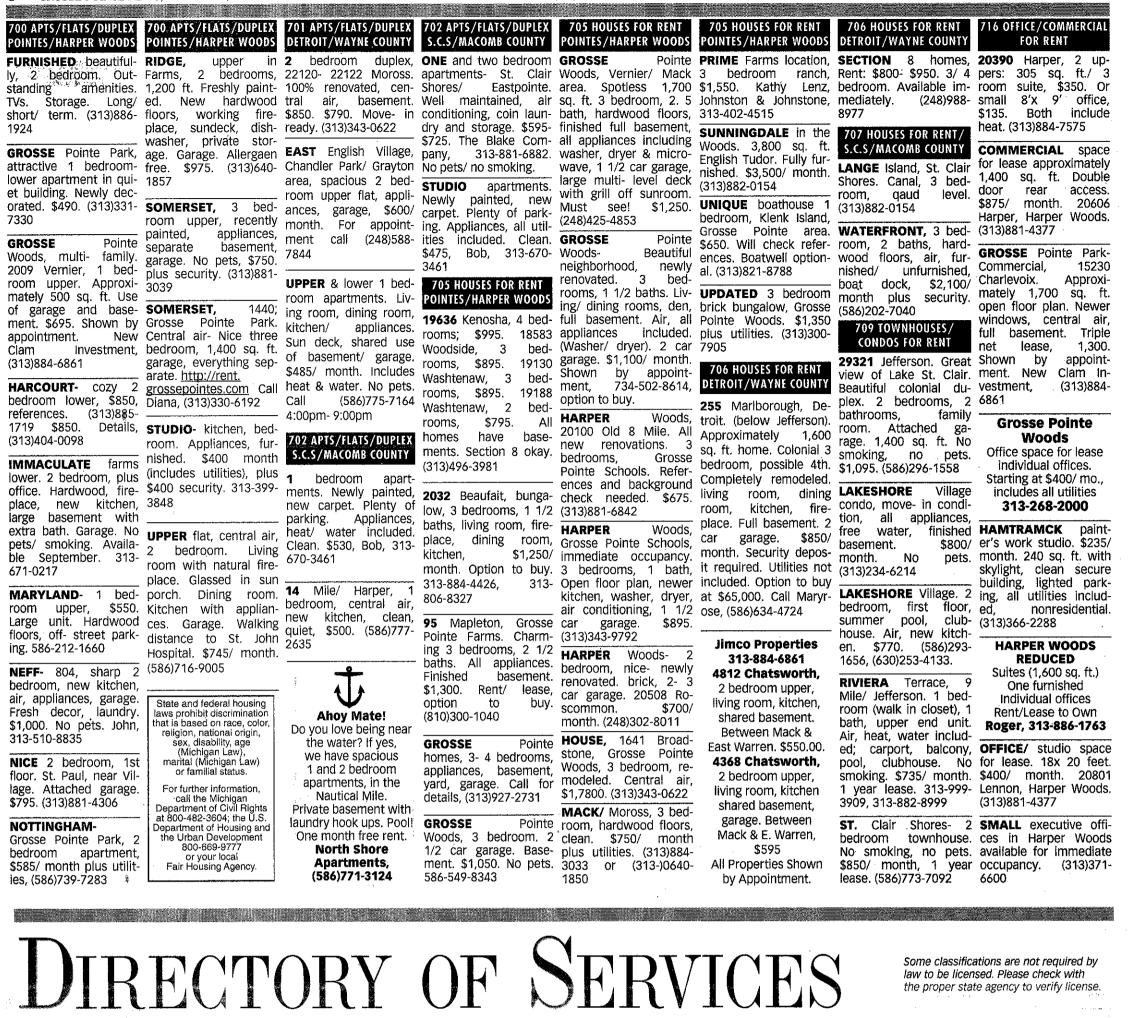
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