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THURSDAY, SEPT. 10

◆ The adult book group discusses "The Monsters of Templeton" at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 11

◆ Grosse Pointe North's football team hosts Utica at 7 p.m. in a MAC White Division game.
 ◆ Grosse Pointe South's football team travels to Sterling Heights for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 12

◆ The fourth annual League of Women Voters, Grosse Pointe has a mum sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Park Market at the corner of Kercheval and Lakepointe.
 ◆ Grosse Pointe's Greatest Block Party takes place from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. in The Village. Activities include a juried art fair, A Taste of Grosse Pointe featuring 16 area restaurants, live entertainment, children's activities and a dance party under the arch.
 ◆ University Liggett School's football team hosts Southfield Christian at 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

◆ Grosse Pointe's Greatest Block Party takes place from noon to 5 p.m. in The Village. Activities include a juried art fair, A Taste of Grosse Pointe featuring 16 area restaurants, live entertainment and children's activities.
 ◆ Fall/winter hours begin at all branches of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

MONDAY, SEPT. 14

◆ Pajama-rama story time is from 7 to 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch for children 2 to 5 and their parents. Registration is required.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

◆ Dine at The Hill Seafood and Chop House anytime between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. and 15 percent of lunch and dinner proceeds will be donated to The Family Center.
 ◆ Village of Grosse Pointe Shores council meeting and master plan public hearing are at 7 p.m. at city offices 795 Lakeshore Road.

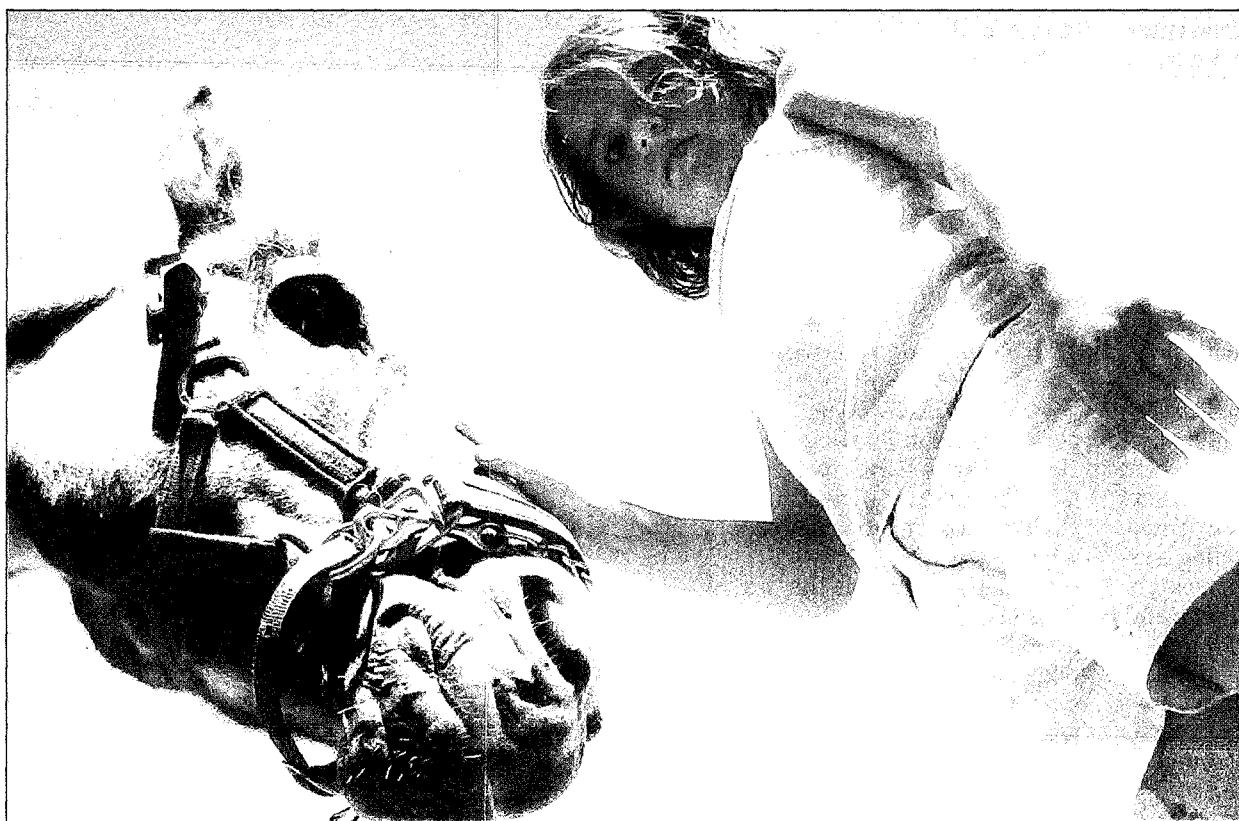


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Real horsepower

Mia Bodenhorn of the Farms likes horses better than cars at Racing for Kids on The Hill Wednesday, Sept. 2. See page 3AII and page 5AII for more on the event.

'Greatest' party this weekend

Thousands to attend events in the Village

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

Between 8,000 and 10,000 people are expected to attend this weekend's Grosse Pointe's Greatest Block Party in the Village of downtown City of Grosse Pointe.
 "It's basically a big party under the arch on Kercheval," said John Denomme, marketing manager for the Grosse Pointe Village Association, producer of the party, which is

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Volunteer faces charges

Former bookkeeper arraigned on four counts

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

A Grosse Pointe Woods resident faces four counts of embezzlement in connection with approximately \$90,000 in missing funds from Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Parish and the Renaissance Vicariate.
 Frederick A. Petz, a 59-year-old twice-disbarred attorney, was arraigned before Wayne County Circuit Court Chief Judge William Giovan Sept. 2. Petz told the court he was having financial difficulties and couldn't find a lawyer. He will have a court-appointed attorney at a pre-trial hearing Wednesday, Sept. 16 in Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court.
 Petz, the church's former volunteer bookkeeper, faces two counts of embezzlement from the parish and two counts of embezzlement from the Renaissance Vicariate, a group of east-side Catholic parishes which includes Star of the Sea. Each charge is a felony with

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School bells ring

Students across the Grosse Pointe Public School System crawled sleepily out of bed and into a new routine Tuesday, Sept. 9, heading back to bustling classrooms, books and fresh activities. At left, new Defer Elementary third-graders Kathryn Ennis, Leah Glover and Katherine Bsharah, line up for the first day of school, donning new outfits and oversized backpacks. Above, crossing guard Beverly Johnston ensures children safely cross Kercheval to get to their homerooms inside Defer and Pierce Middle School.

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Alert neighbor thwarts theft

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

An Eastpointe teenager risked etching his criminal history in stone by trying to steal a car last week in Grosse Pointe Farms, according to police.
 Diondre Washington, 18, was on parole for carrying a concealed weapon in Detroit when he and three other teens

were arrested a few minutes before midnight Monday, Aug. 31. A resident had reported to police someone trying to steal a neighbor's Dodge Ram parked on the street in the 400 block of Colonial Court.
 "All subjects arrested had criminal records," said Farms Detective Mike McCarthy.
 Washington at the time was six months into two years' pro-

bation for the weapons charge. The offense likely will be expunged from his file if he behaves himself under terms of the Holmes Youthful Trainee Act.
 "HYTA is a program offered in certain circumstances to first-time adult offenders, where if the arrested subject

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Linda Allen



Home: City of Grosse Pointe
Age: 57
Family: Husband, Frank Nizio
Claim to fame: Artist
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Yesterday's headlines

1959

50 years ago this week

◆ **CAR RECOVERY:** A resident of Westchester did not know her car had been stolen from her driveway during the night until it was returned to her. Grosse Pointe Park police recovered the vehicle in a driveway on Balfour. The Balfour resident called police and informed them of a strange car on her property.

◆ **NO CIGARETTE PASSING ALLOWED:** Two motorists and a passenger were ticketed by Grosse Pointe Shores police in violation of a little used village ordinance.

According to police reports, two cars were rounding the curve near the Edsel and Eleanor Ford Estate on Lakeshore at a high rate of speed. The vehicles were side by side and the passenger had about half of his body out of the car reaching for a cigarette being handed to him from the opposite car.

All three were ticketed for violating an ordinance which prohibits someone from riding in or operating a motor vehicle unless all portions of the body are within the vehicle.

◆ **RECORD ENROLLMENT FILLS CLASSROOMS:** Classes began for more than 10,000 Grosse Pointe public school pupils. Their total, nearly 10,500, constituted a new record, an event which has become an annual one in past years.

Last year, 10,342 pupils reported to school on opening day. School officials quickly point out the end is not yet in sight and still larger totals can be expected in the future.

Grosse Pointe Farms city officials recently displayed some ambitious plans for Kercheval between McKinley and McMillan and hope to turn that stretch of land between the upper and lower Hill into a pedestrian mall.

The mall would feature a brick-paved serpentine walkway complete with trees, flower beds and evergreens. Other possible features would include a 14-foot tall, two-faced clock, an octagon-shaped gazebo, a flag pole lit at night, a drinking fountain and benches and game tables for those wishing to play chess or checkers.

◆ **WOODS GETS SAFE STREETS AWARDS:** The city of Grosse Pointe Woods public safety department was the recent recipient of awards from the Automobile Club of Michigan and the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.

The Woods won the AAA award because of its excellent record in pedestrian injuries and deaths. The city hasn't had a pedestrian death since 1957.

◆ **FAST ACTION SAVES LIFE:** A Warren resident owes his life to two Grosse Pointe Park police officers who kept him from being electrocuted.

The man was welding a security door on a business on Mack. He placed a hose and bucket nearby in case anything caught fire.

The bucket overflowed and the water ran down to an electrical line. Grosse Pointe Park officers were passing by on patrol and observed the welder leap into the air and appear to go into convulsions.

They pulled the plug and took him to Bon Secours Hospital.

Pointe Farms looked up from his television set at 11:45 p.m. to see a stranger staring at him.

The startled youth stood up and confronted the suspect, who said he must have the wrong house and left.

◆ **NASTY HABIT:** A thief escaped in a waiting car after stealing \$109 worth of cigarettes from a service station on Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ **NO TICKETS:** Nearly one dozen motorists who received tickets for running the red light at East Jefferson and Lakeland were let off the hook after an investigation showed the time for the amber light was shorter than recommended.

Drivers not wanting to panic stop did not have sufficient time to drive through it before it turned red. The light was repaired.

2004

Five years ago this week

◆ **DOG PARKS:** When geese started infiltrating Grosse Pointe Park's two lakefront parks, officials decided to let them go to the dogs.

For the second year, the "no dogs allowed" ban has been lifted for a limited number of dogs and their owners. In exchange, the dogs chase geese, which cuts down on the manpower needed to clean up.

◆ **BONDS FUEL STREET REPAIRS:** Hawthorne, Oxford and Renaud roads in Grosse Pointe Shores are getting new asphalt before winter sets in. Money for the repairs is from a bond voters approved in early August.

◆ **OUT OF LINE:** Four Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers and a detective rushed to a bank at Mack and Moross upon reports of a man threatening to kill another motorist for taking cuts at the drive-up window.

— Karen Fontanive



FROM THE SEPT. 10, 1959 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1959: Lois and the sunflower stalk

Lois Dietrich of Grosse Pointe Woods had never seen a sunflower so she planted a seed last spring and look what happened. The 16-foot plant has a stem of approximately 11 inches in diameter.

Holding the ladder is her brother, Dale, mighty impressed with his sister's horticultural skill.

1984

25 years ago this week

◆ **FARMS HOPES FOR PARK-LIKE WALKWAY:**

1999

10 years ago this week

◆ **HOUSE BREAKER:** A 17-year-old man living on Meadow Lane in Grosse

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MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

Pointe youth win arts & crafts awards

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Ten Grosse Pointe youths won a combined 21 ribbons in this year's Michigan State Fair community arts competitions.

Jonathan Chapman won the highest award, best of show, in the cake art category for contestants ages 9-13. His pirate ship cake rides waves made of blue icing and has canons with malted milk balls for ammuni-

tion. A graham cracker serves as a plank for prisoners to walk.

Katie Glovac of Grosse Pointe Woods won two first places and one second place.

Her kitty litter box cake won first place in the ugliest cake category, ages 14-18. Decorations included a cat paw print in spilled litter. Her collection of playing cards also won first place, while her monster-sized cookies looked more



Dayle Maas won third in the charcoal and pastel category.

dent, won third place in the grades seven through nine charcoal and pastel drawing competition.

Abigail Newman of Grosse Pointe Farms won honorable mention in the color photograph category, grades 10-12, of two people on a beach.

Ryan Race of Grosse Pointe Woods won second place for a black and a white photo of a flower.



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Jonathan Chapman's pirate cake won best of show.

appetizing than the cake, but came in second.

Grosse Pointe Woods residents Anne Race and Maria Liddane each won four ribbons.

Race won first in the grades seven to nine competition for a black and white photograph of flowers. Her sewing came in second. She won fourth place for a collection of balls and honorable mention in the general education category for a project testing the buoyancy of raisins in a glass of club soda.

Liddane won first place in the grades seven through nine category for a black and white photograph of a golden retriever. She won second place for a color photograph of fog passing over the Mackinac Bridge. She received honorable mention for two other artworks.

Paige Kozak, also of the Woods, made a basket that won third place in the crafts competition, ages 14-18. Her jewelry won honorable mention.

Andante Provenzano won two ribbons: second place in the "any other art" category for a paper mache Detroit Red Wings octopus; and honorable mention for a poem in the literary competition, grades seven through nine. His poem begins, "Who will I be in 15 or 20 years?" and ends, "Then I'm off to work because a doctors got to do what a doctors got to do."

Woods resident Kathryn Van Egmond won second place for a watercolor painting, grades 10-12, of flowers with a bear. She won third place in crafts, ages 14-18, for a necklace.

Dayle Maas, a Woods resi-

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

Foundation 25th B-day party Sept. 19

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A new basketball court at Osius Park is on the short list of projects being considered for funding by members of the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation.

The present court is worn out, according to Susan Walton, foundation secretary and member of the events committee.

"You can barely tell its still a basketball court," she said. "We want to scrap that and build a new basketball court and an area for people to sit and have tournaments and such. There's nothing in our park for teenage boys who would love to have something like that."

In the long run, Walton is eyeing a rebuilt swimming pool.

"It probably will be something jointly funded between the foundation and city," she said. "But, it must be redone. It's old and needs repair. It's going to be a very significant investment. So, we see it well down the road."

Those and other projects

are sure to be discussed during the foundation's 25th anniversary celebration 5 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate.

Tickets cost \$50 each. Activities include music, hor d'oerves, a raffle and silent auction for such things as:

- ◆ Ford House accommodations,
- ◆ wine collections,
- ◆ a private pool party at Osius Park and
- ◆ a two-hour sunset sailboat ride for six.

Proceeds from the party will be put toward community improvements.

The foundation focuses on improvements that aren't part of the normal municipal budget. Money is raised through memberships and fundraisers.

"The foundation is celebrating 20 years of funding improvements for the community," Walton said. "As part of that celebration, we're going to put a spotlight on all the improvements we've funded from contributions from the community. Also, we want to highlight improvements we still need and want to make."

Cyclists struck crossing Mack

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

A 46-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman is in serious but stable condition at St. John Hospital and Medical Center after being struck by a car while riding her bicycle across Mack near Byrs at 9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31.

Her 8-year-old son, who was

riding with her, was also hit. He suffered minor injuries and was taken to St. John, where he was treated and released.

According to police, the victims were in a crosswalk on Mack when they were struck by a car driven by a 28-year-old St. Clair Shores woman. When police arrived, they found the mother was unconscious and CPR was being administered.

She was transported to St. John, where she was admitted to the intensive care unit, where she remained for three days.

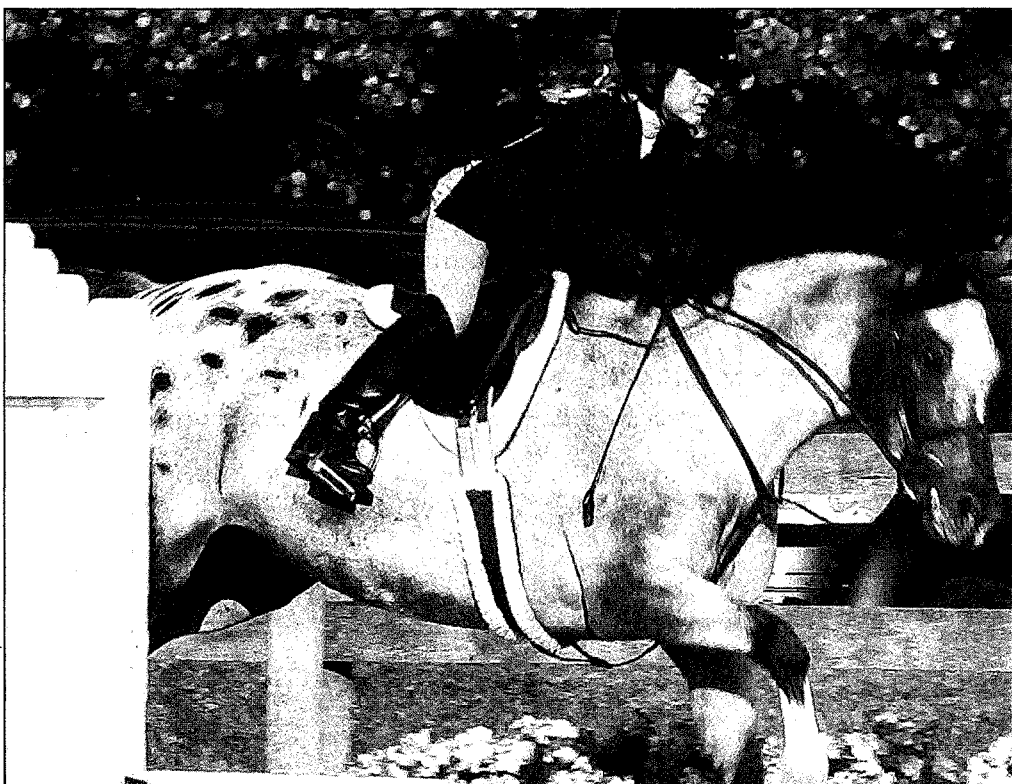
Once her condition improved and stabilized, she was transferred to a regular medical floor.

According to Michael Makowski, Woods public safety director, it does not appear

that alcohol was a factor in the accident. The Michigan State Police conducted an investigation at the scene of the accident on Wednesday, Sept. 1, but their report is not complete.

The victim's name was not released.

Anyone with information regarding the accident is asked to call Woods police, (313) 343-2400.



Show time

The Grosse Pointe Hunt Club will welcome more than 75 ponies and their riders at its annual Michigan Hunter and Jumper Association sanctioned show this weekend, Sept. 12 and 13. Events run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. The public is invited, admission is free. Refreshments are available. Guests are welcome to walk the grounds and the barns and visit with riders, owners and trainers.

NEIGHBOR: Call alerts police to attempted theft

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follows the guidelines of probation, the offense will not become part of his criminal record," McCarthy said. "We are making Washington's probation officer aware of his most recent arrest."

Police credit the resident for alerting them to the attempted theft.

The resident called police to say he was looking out a window of his house at two men wearing dark clothing trying to open the Ram's door while two other men waited in a dark

sedan parked nearby.

"Within 30 seconds, a Farms police vehicle approached very quickly from Mack," the witness told police. "At that point, I heard a voice say, 'The police,' and saw two males run from the pickup truck and attempt to hide behind the sedan."

The sedan, a dark green 2000 Volvo, was driven to Mack, to northbound Broadstone and west on Tyrone where a patrolman intercepted it at Moross.

Four occupants were arrested and turned over to the ACTION team (Arresting Car Thieves In Our

Neighborhoods), which lost half of its manpower this summer and is down to four members due to Wayne County budget problems.

Two of the four suspects, both 19-year-old Detroit males, were released. Washington and Montez Tyrone Gantz, 17, of Detroit, were arraigned Sept. 2 in Farms Municipal Court for attempted auto theft and fleeing police, both felonies.

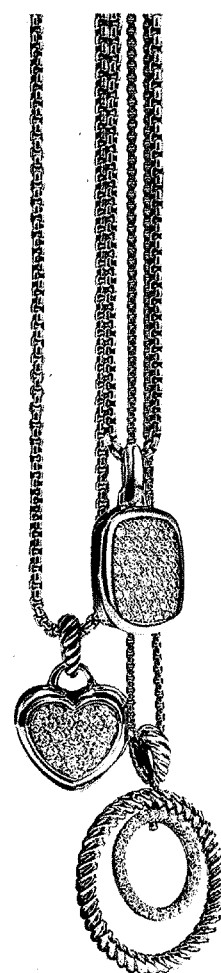
Judge Matthew Rumora entered a not guilty pleas on their behalf and scheduled them for preliminary hearings on Wednesday, Sept. 16.

"We split the cases," said Lt. Rich Rosati, head of the Farms detective bureau. "The ACTION team is handling Gantz. We're going after Washington."

Rosati credited the resident for calling police.

"Most of the time, alert residents assist us in catching criminals," Rosati said. "Criminals are looking out for police. Believe me, they know the sound of a Crown Vic (police cruiser) coming down the street. They know the headlight configuration. What they don't know about is the resident peering out his front window making the call."

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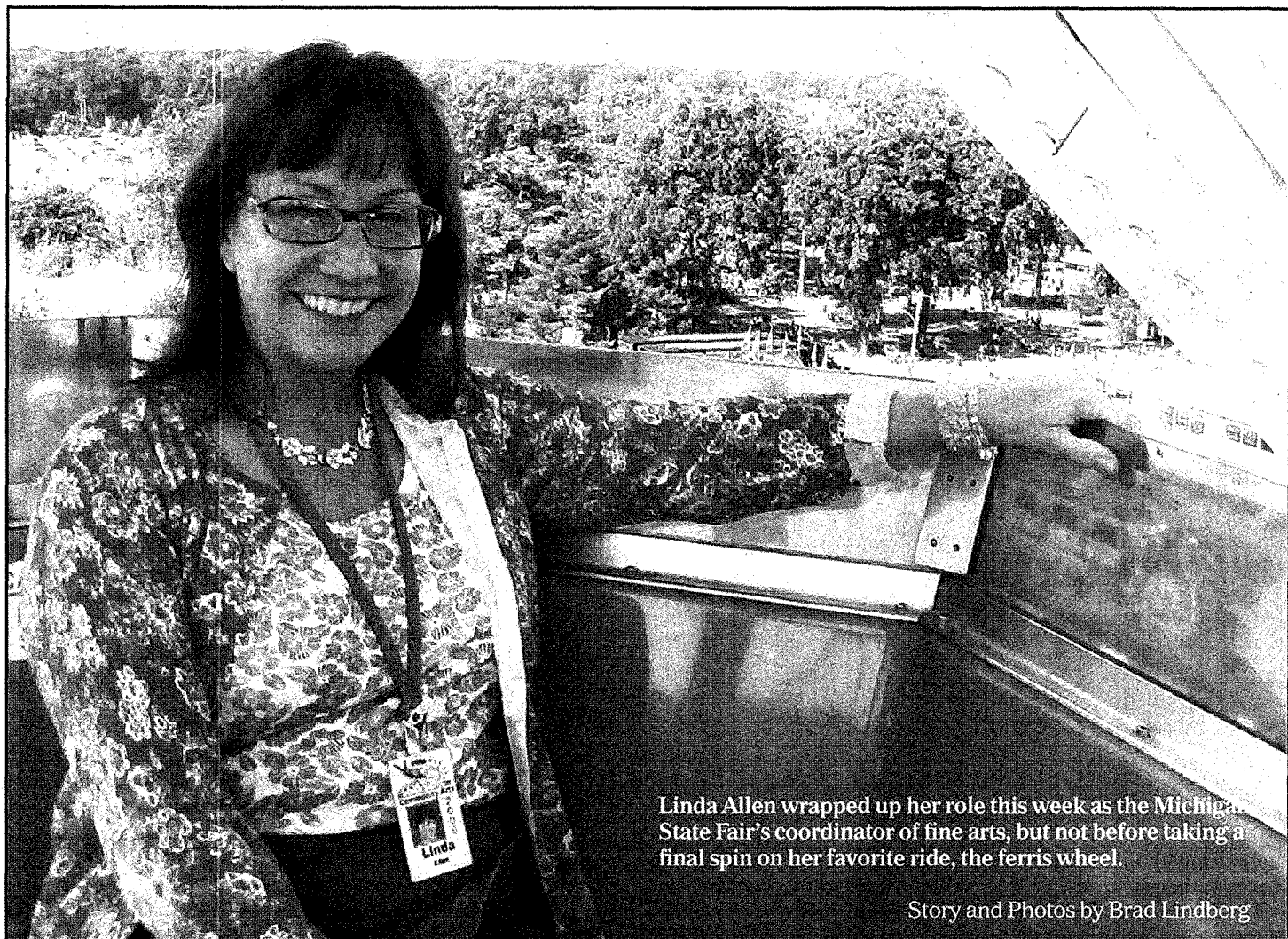


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POINTER OF INTEREST



Linda Allen wrapped up her role this week as the Michigan State Fair's coordinator of fine arts, but not before taking a final spin on her favorite ride, the ferris wheel.

Story and Photos by Brad Lindberg

Artfully interesting

The way Linda Allen describes herself, you'd think she was from Lake Wobegon, the happy hideaway in radioland where all the children are above average. "I like to think I'm slightly better than average," Allen said. She even bakes biscuits. Powdermilk brand? "I make whole wheat biscuits," Allen laughed, "I'm wholesome."

Linda Allen laughs a lot. "My friendships of late have been with people who laugh with me and at me," she said. "When you laugh, you release endorphins. It's a chemical thing, almost as good as chocolate."

She also describes herself as artistic, creative and somewhat athletic. But wait, she finished with the laughter thing.

"Everyday things make me laugh; simple things," said Allen, 57, of the City of Grosse Pointe. "My mistakes make me laugh. I'm not the world's best speller and I don't pronounce all words correctly, so I get corrected all the time. I find that funny."

She heard a radio report the other morning that it's good for women to have weight on their thighs. They supposedly live

longer than women with skinny legs.

"I laughed," Allen said. "I thought, 'Cool. I'm there.'"

People who find humor in their imperfections are assumed to be self-assured. The quality may not apply to artists, who Allen knows a lot about.

She's a former president and current board member of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association.

"Artists are emotional and sensitive people — overly so," Allen said. "Therefore, they get bruised easier. They wear their hearts on their sleeves. Emotion is a lot of what they do."

Allen's artistic temperament is more impulsive than reflective.

"I have friends who are deep thinkers and really think out their plans," she said. "I'm in awe of them because that's not how I am. I work spontaneously. I throw the paint down and get excited."

That doesn't mean she takes her work willy-nilly. She likes to focus on what she's creating.

"Every part of you is involved," she said. "You're so into it, nothing matters. You can be late for dinner or work late at night. You've got to get it done."

Allen works in various media. Yet, her sculptures compiled of objects she picks up here and there have made her sort of a pack rat.

"I do found-art objects," she said.

The process describes itself. She finds things and puts them together as art.

She was leaving the Grosse Pointe Art Center in the Village recently and found a broken yellow construction beacon discarded at the corner of Kercheval and Cadieux.

"I was so excited," she said.

She used it as a head. The face? A Cadillac hubcap found at her parents' house. Rusted bolts from a construction site became eyes. A bubble wand — for blowing bubbles — became a monocle.

"The hair is tar from the street," Allen said.

She titled it, "Ms. Cadillac 2009."

"I love putting these together," Allen said.

She occasionally has to curb her enthusiasm: "As I'm going down the expressway, I see stuff and want to stop. I know that's ridiculous. That wouldn't be safe."

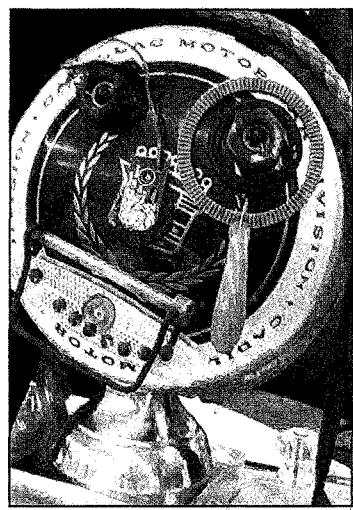
Allen hopes her art is as entertaining to other people as it is to herself.

"If I can make art that makes people laugh, I'm doing the world a favor," she said. "Art speaks for itself. You've either got it or you don't."

Two of her works are in the art center's juried show, "Our Rivers, Our Lakes," through Sept. 26.

"People are still discovering the art center," said Allen. "It moved to Kercheval across from Kroger. It's an art gallery supported by the artists association. It's a wonderful venue."

Linda Allen and her husband, Frank Nizio, will host at their house in the City of Grosse Pointe "Call &



Above, "Waterways," detail, exhibited at the Grosse Pointe Artists Center; top, "Ms. Cadillac 2009," both by Linda Allen.

Response," a benefit for the Grosse Pointe Art Center, 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27. The show is of children's art interpreted by members of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association. Tickets costing \$25 each and \$60 per family are available at the art center, 16900 Kercheval, in the Village district of the City of Grosse Pointe, and by calling the center at (313) 821-1848.

The Allen 10

1. Favorite artist? "That's really hard. Van Gogh, but also Georgia O'Keefe.
2. Favorite food? Mediterranean. I love all food.
3. Most influential teacher? Locally, Nancy Proffit. I took oil painting from her. She was a true artist from the heart and soul. She was always into something different, always reinventing herself.
4. Favorite style of music? Jazz. I find it calming.
5. Favorite ride at the Michigan State Fair? Ferris wheel. I don't go in for fast rides anymore.
6. Most famous person you've ever met? My husband and I met cross country skiers when we went to the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City. I don't know their names.
7. Favorite farm animal? Dairy cow.
8. Favorite house pet? No pets. Just house plants. They're hard to water once per week as it is.
9. How did you meet your husband, Frank Nizio? "I met him at Metro Beach. I was playing volleyball and was walking from the beach area. We smiled at each other. He invited me on a date practically right away. I said yes. Four years later, we got married on Aug. 21, 1976, at Metro Beach.
10. What is your husband's best quality? His intensity. He's a triple-A type person.

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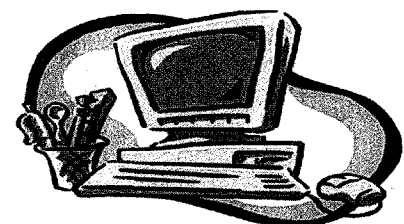
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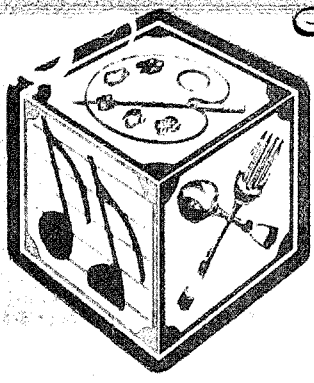
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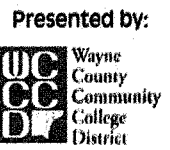
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#	Name	Medium	#	Name	Medium	#	Name	Medium
1	Tom Crimboli	Metal Art	14 & 15	Donna & Jim Jabosky	Metal Art	28	Jane McFeely	Oil
2	Karyl Gatteno	Jewelry	16	Karen Mac Donald	Garden Art	29	Debra Ridley	Jewelry
3	Head Hugs	Fabric, etc.	17	Karen Boda	Jewelry	30	Michael Cadrette	Wood
4	Patrice Abraham	Oil Paint, Pastels	18	Deborah Maxwell	Ceramics	31	Jacqueline Swain	Jewelry
5	Effie Ambler	Ceramics	19	Kristin Henchel	Fabric	32	David Patton	Wood/Metal
6	Vikie Moss	Felted Wool	20	Rainy Day Art & Framing Co.		33	Julie Kaleel	Jewelry
7	Jamie Jimenez	Jewelry	21	Rainy Day Art & Framing Co.		34	Janet & Carolyn	Pastels/Watercolor
8	Robert Lewis	Dagocs	22	Warren Townsend	Metal Art	35	Chris Winn	Glass
9	Thomas Kliber	Photography	23	Sergio Boreana	Jewelry/Sculpture	36	Karen Webb	Fabric/Jewelry
10	Tom Richards	Ceramics	24	Cat Kynaston/Erin Langdon	Cards, Frames, etc.	37	Ann Baxter	Glass Art
11	Best of Friends	Jewelry	25	Ronda Terry/Jean Ivan	Jewelry/Notecards	38	Kathleen MacNamee & Laurie Jost	Watercolor
12	Michael Marth	Glass	26	SooMee Lee	Ceramics	39	Deena & Jennifer	Jewelry
13	Tom Elliott	Wood	27	Donna Giles	Jewelry	40	Tom Crimboli	Metal Art



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Continuous live entertainment at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Grosse Pointe Theatre..... 12 noon-12:45 PM
Selections from Grease, The King & I, Kiss Me Kate, Godspell & more

The Big Boss Trio..... 1:00 PM-2:00 PM
Earthy, funky flights on pop favorites and originals

Ben Steel (& His Bare Hands)..... 2:15 PM-3:15 PM
American Roots Music and Classic Country - Pure & Simple

Motor City Street Band..... 3:30 PM-5:00 PM
A Touch of New Orleans on Kercheval Avenue

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Sweet Adelines
Shoreline Sounds Chorus..... 12 NOON-12:45 PM
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Sheila Landis,
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A Brazilian Love Affair!

DJ Jason Parent..... 3:15 PM-5:00 PM
Get Ready to Dance with the Star of the 2007 Block Party

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PLUS!

A Pooch Parade Sunday, September 13th at 1:00p.m.
Fun for everyone! Bring your canine pet on a leash.
Roundup on the Village Festival Plaza beginning at 12:30 p.m.



The Detroit Historical Society will exhibit mementos, artifacts and story boards that will highlight Detroit's rich history on Saturday and Sunday, Notre Dame at Kercheval. Historical Society representatives will be on hand to illuminate and educate!

Village stores and businesses will host special promotions, trunk shows, demonstrations and a **Treasure Hunt** at participating stores! Treasure Hunt drawings will take place at individual participating stores Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Winners will be entered into a Grand Prize Drawing for a pair of Gents Blue Stone silver cufflinks and a ladies Sauro Cuff Bracelet with a combined value of \$1,200.00! Drawing takes place on Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

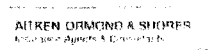
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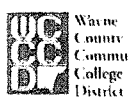
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PARTY

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presented by Henry Ford Cottage Hospital.

Now in its third year, the block party features a juried art show, live entertainment, an evening of dancing, a pooch parade, children's activities, beverage tents, and special sales and trunk shows by Village merchants.

The party runs 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, on two blocks of Kercheval between St. Clair and Cadieux.

"It's free and open to the world," Denomme said. "We invite everybody to come down on Kercheval. There's continuous entertainment starting at noon all day Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. You can pick any time during those two days to come down and enjoy the event."

A Taste of Grosse Pointe runs both days and features

Block Party lineup

◆ Taste of Grosse Pointe — 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Sample menu specialties from up to 14 popular area restaurants.

◆ Art on the Block — 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. A juried art fair.

◆ Kids on the Block — 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Includes a bounce house and giant slide, face painting, balloon artists, candy, strolling princesses, Lego games and surprises.

◆ Live entertainment — noon to 5 p.m. both days on the Block Party Stage at Kercheval and St. Clair.

◆ Saturday Night Dance Party — Saturday, 7 to 10 p.m. Features dancing under the Village arch to music by the Sun Messengers.

◆ Pooch Parade — 1 p.m. Sunday.

◆ Village stores host trunk shows, demonstrations, special sales.

◆ Treasure hunt at participating stores — Winners entered into a grand prize drawing, courtesy of Edmund T. AHEE Jewelers, for a pair of Gents Blue Stone silver cufflinks and a ladies Sauro cuff bracelet, total value \$1,200. Drawings at 5 p.m. Sunday.

For more information about Grosse Pointe's Greatest Block Party, call (313) 886-7474, or visit thevillagegp.com.

sample menu items from area restaurants. Back this year are the Sun Messengers to perform for Saturday night's dance party. "The Sun Messengers are

probably the premier dance band, and certainly one of the most in demand, in the Detroit area," Denomme said.

A juried art shows runs both days.

"We have over 40 artists with all different types of artwork and crafts; some are local artist, some are from different parts of the state and even a couple are from out of state," said Liza Amori, producer of the show and owner of the

Rainy Day Art and Framing Company.

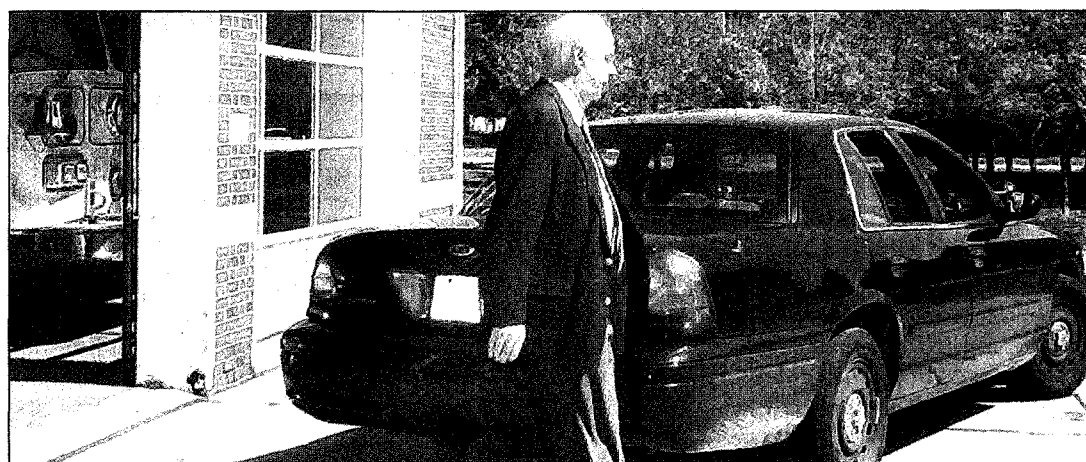
Art will be for sale.

"You're going to find one-of-a-kind items, not massed produced," Amori said. "There will be jewelry, blown glass artists, metal sculpture yard art and paintings. It might even spark something in yourself to be creative. Somebody might look at a painting and say, 'I'd like to try that.'"

A pooch parade kicks off at 1

p.m. Sunday. Staging starts at 12:30 p.m.

"It's a parade of dogs," said Liz Blondy, parade sponsor and owner of Canine To Five dog day care and obedience school in downtown Detroit. "We encourage everybody who comes to the festival with their dog to bring their dog to the parade. After the parade, we'll have contests, like for the smallest dog, largest dog and a tricks contest."



Twice-disbarred attorney Fred Petz was arraigned on four charges in Woods Municipal Court last week. The 30-year Woods resident is accused of taking more than \$90,000 when he was a volunteer at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Parish.

CHARGES: Audit finds funds missing

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prison terms of 10 to 15 years and fines up to three times the amount taken.

He was released on a \$20,000 personal recognizance bond.

According to the Attorney Discipline Board website, Petz's law license was first revoked Nov. 1, 2001 for misappropriation of client funds and converting funds for personal use. It was again revoked July 11, 2003 for misappropriation of funds from a real estate sale. In that case, he was ordered to pay more than \$52,000 restitution.

After the Woods hearing, Petz was fingerprinted, booked and driven to his house by a Grosse Pointe Woods police officer.

That move angered some residents.

"I received two or three calls regarding it," said City Administrator Mark Wollenweber. "We're reviewing the whole thing."

Woods police were notified by an attorney for the Archdiocese of Detroit in May a routine audit of parish funds showed several irregularities. The audit was turned over to police and later the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

The nearly four month lag between the submission of evidence and charges being filed is not unusual, according to Maria Miller, spokeswoman for the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. The evidence must be reviewed by law enforcement officials and forensic accountants, she explained.

Joe Kohn, spokesman for the Archdiocese of Detroit, declined to comment on the specifics of the case, but did say, "We take financial matters very seriously, and we will let the legal process take its course. We'll reserve comment until the matter is completed."

Petz, a 30-year Woods resident, was a member of the city's Senior Commission. He resigned the day of his arraignment.



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I SAY By Karen Fontanive

Slug war leaves no time for reminiscing



School has started and my thoughts should be on where the time went. How can it be that sweet boy I'd lay on my lap and "dance" with to "Mustang Sally," now wants his own Mustang and a parking pass at high school?

How can it be that whirling dervish curly-haired blond dressing up in my clothes and shoes, is setting her own fashion statements as she begins her last year of middle school?

What do we need to do this year to get the eldest ready for college and the youngest ready for high school?

Yet, all I can think about are slugs. Not slow or lazy people, but real slugs. Gastropods. Snails without shells.

I am obsessed. I can't stand seeing "slug slime" or "slug juice" or the technically correct slug mucus all over the front of my house.

I hit the boiling point one evening when I took a bag of garbage to the curb and found slugs "kissing" before my eyes! This had to stop.

My cousin informed me of a commercial slug bait that one places around the perimeter of the house and then quickly reminded me that salt kills slugs.

The feint of heart or members of PETA should read no further.

Armed with salt box in one hand and flashlight in the other, I began scanning the front walk for slugs. Aha! Two of

them — separate. Salted. Done.

Same routine the next night. Two more found, two more salted.

The children discovered me

mess. He suggested beer. Slugs apparently like beer.

That night, I poured a can of beer into a bowl and set it on top of the woodchips behind the bush. Later, armed with

pose, I hit the Internet.

Slugs have no purpose. OK, a minor one being a member of the food chain, but I'll gladly replace my slug-filled front planting area with just about any other food-chain food.

Did you know there are at least 40 different species of slugs?

Thank goodness I seem to have one, the grey field slug, *Deroceras reticulatum*, identified by its brown/gray color and dark spots. Slugs range in size from 1/4 to 7 inches and stretch to 20 times their size which enables them to squeeze into crevices to get to food. (Better get to tuckpointing that front wall.)

I found which plants they like — hostas — and don't — daffodils and daylilies; where they like to live — under our mulch — and that they are hermaphrodites. Both of those slugs "kissing" on the front of

my house probably laid 20 eggs each!

Guilt gone and salt and flashlight in hand, I was ready the next night. Two more. Got caught coming back in the house.

"Slug hunting again, Mom," said my daughter matter of factly.

The next morning, I had a catch in the beer bowl. My son's response: "Oh, that's kind of cool."

I actually liked that, too. While I set the method for them to die, I didn't actually kill them. The slug did it to itself.

The last night before I'm writing this, I checked three times. No slugs. They're up to something. Or as my daughter said, "Maybe they're talking and telling each other you're killing them."

Hmmm. Maybe we should focus on school.

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the next evening.

My son was repulsed by my methods, particularly the fact that I didn't clean up the next morning, but he pointed out two more crawling up the front flower box.

The next day, I greeted the mailman and realized what a mess I'd been leaving. Can mail carriers refuse to deliver the mail if they have to sidestep dead slugs? I apologized, asked him to be careful and said I would clean up the

salt and flashlight, I began my nightly ritual. Two slugs on the sidewalk, two slugs salted. Two more crawling around the beer bowl. I left them. What a mistake!

I returned an hour later, no slugs in the beer and no slugs found anywhere. They'd escaped!

My son was giving me a lot of grief about inhumane treatment to living creatures, so feeling guilty and believing everything must have a pur-

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

If your pet could talk, what would he or she say to you?

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



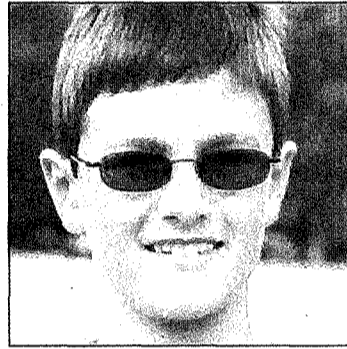
"My fish would probably ask, 'What is this invisible force that keeps me in here?'"

CHANDLER BLACHUT
City of Grosse Pointe



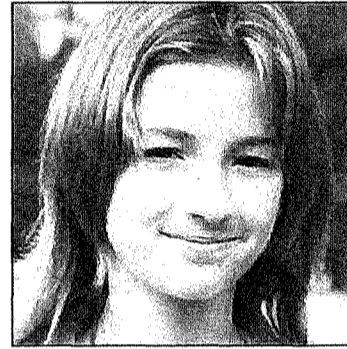
"My dog would say, 'Can I bite the windshield wipers when we go for a car ride?'"

GRACE MALLIRES
Grosse Pointe Park



"My gecko, Chopper, would say, 'Where are the crickets? Give me my crickets.'"

RYAN RACE
Grosse Pointe Woods



"We just got a dog and he would say, 'I could chew on this bone all day.'"

ANNE RACE
Grosse Pointe Woods



"Onyx, my dog, would say, 'I love you.'"

TESSA ULRICH
Grosse Pointe Woods

Letters: Chauffeur criminals

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County Circuit Court on four felony counts for allegedly stealing upwards of \$100,000 from the parishioners of the Woods' Catholic parish, Our Lady Star of the Sea.

His unapproved, widely-publicized spiriting away from our city's lockup with the TV cameras rolling and other media in hot pursuit was authorized solely by Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Michael Makowski.

Making matters worse, the driver of the alleged embezzler's city-owned getaway "taxi" was the same Grosse Pointe Woods detective who had investigated Petz's alleged crime that brought the charges that landed him in court in the first place.

What's going on? Council member Arthur Bryant asked that of director Makowski Thursday, Sept. 4. Makowski's curious response was that he was "only providing the same service" that he would provide "for any (Grosse Pointe Woods) resident who needed assistance."

Makowski since has apologized for his judgment error, but expressed no regret.

That's totally unacceptable. This is a serious breakdown in organizational and management procedure. It is no, "Oops! I blew that one! Forgive me."

We do not chauffeur criminals, alleged or otherwise, any where, except to the hoosegow.

Grosse Pointe Woods taxpayers bear a heavy burden these dreadful days. We do not provide free taxis for our senior citizens or our school children. Why would we provide a car and driver for a high-profile criminal defendant who has a documented history of preying on unsuspecting, trusting people?

Public service is not some game in which our appointees get to make up their own rules. If they can't understand

that simple principle, the exit doors all are plainly marked.

Pete Waldmeir
Joseph Sucher
Council members
Grosse Pointe Woods

Racing for Kids to the Hill

To the Editor:

The roar of the engines is just a memory now, but the third annual Racing For Kids to the Hill was bigger, better and more exciting than we ever could have imagined.

We would like to thank our many wonderful friends from the Hill Association, the city of Grosse Pointe Farms and the community at-large, who pulled together to make it such a great event.

First of all, we would like to thank our honorary chairs, Fay and Larry Buhl and our steering committee: Co-chairs Ed Russell and Tom Buhl, and members Mary Wells, Mary Huebner, Dan Jensen, Kristen Townsend Buisch, Julie Corbett and Dan LaLonde, who worked together for more than a year to make sure all the details came together.

Next, we are most grateful to the gracious individuals at Northern Trust — Marita Grobbel and her colleagues — who once again opened their doors to us and let us take advantage of their beautiful facility for our cocktail reception and auction.

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The city of Grosse Pointe Farms, which allowed us to close off the street for our fair, was most supportive of our efforts, particularly Matt Tepper and the crew from the department of public works as well as Police Chief Dan Jensen and his excellent officers. They all did a great job.

We would also like to thank Dreyer & Reinbold Racing for bringing IndyCar driver, Mike Conway, his No. 24 race car and transporter, which added to the excitement immensely. Thanks also to the owners of the "dream cars" who brought their beautiful vehicles to the Hill.

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And finally, thanks to all the wonderful merchants on the Hill, who contributed raffle prizes.

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Fuji bike taken

A Harper Woods man who didn't lock his blue and silver Fuji men's mountain bike when he parked it in the racks outside Kroger reported it missing at 10:35 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 6. The man said he'd left the bike unattended for 15 to 20 minutes.

Credit fraud

Someone obtained a City man's American Express card number and last week tried to make a \$400 on-line purchase of electronics equipment from Wal-Mart.

A suspicious store representative contacted the City resident, confirmed the attempted sale was unauthorized and re-

fused the transaction.

Trek taken

A 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms boy almost made it through summer without losing his black and red Trek mountain bike.

Then, as the school year neared, someone stole it while parked unattended from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 2, on Kercheval in front of Borders Books.

"(The boy) stated he left his bicycle unlocked," said a public safety officer.

11 suspensions

A 29-year-old Detroit man was arrested at 4:23 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1, for driving a black 1999 GMC Yukon despite having 11 license suspensions. An officer had stopped

him for running a red light from northbound Cadieux to Mack.

Speaker silenced

A woman living in the 500 block of Neff reported that her

subwoofer stereo speaker was stolen out her vehicle sometime between 8:30 and 11:31 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 30.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at

Grosse Pointe Farms

Tahoe taken

A black 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe was stolen between 9:30 and 10:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, while parked behind Irish Coffee in the 18600 block of Mack.

The vehicle has a large Chevy emblem on the windshield and belongs to a Harper

House entered

A woman living in the first block of Kerby was sitting in her family room at 10:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31, when she heard a door open and her dog bark.

"She assumed it was her friend coming over, so she did not get up to check," said a public safety officer sent to in-

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GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Drug prelim hearing waived

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A municipal court hearing to determine if an 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man should be bound over to circuit court on drug charges was waived Sept. 2 at the defendant's request.

The decision means the prosecution of Kyle Bradford Tapert, accused of possessing marijuana for delivery, shifts from

'Chances are, they'll make a deal and we'll never see the inside of a courtroom on this again.'

LT. RICH ROSASTI
Grosse Pointe Farms detective


Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court to Wayne County Circuit Court for arraignment Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Tapert was arrested Aug. 28 and charged with possessing nearly 15 grams of marijuana, most of it packaged in small, individually-wrapped baggies for sale or delivery.

Conviction carries up to four years in-

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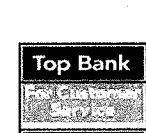

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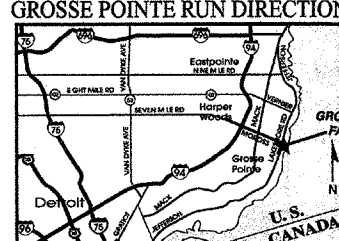
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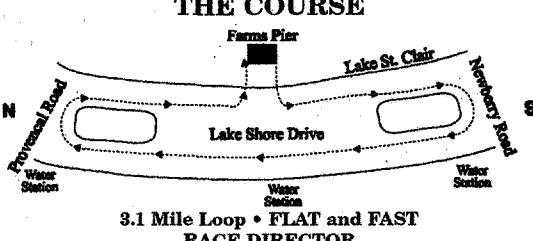
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SAFETY: Crime worth reading about

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investigate what turned out to be a home invasion. "For two minutes, (she) could hear someone in the kitchen."

When the homeowner heard a door slam shut, she went to the kitchen and discovered her purse missing from a table.

A police dog from St. Clair Shores named Hondo traced the suspect along Kerby until losing the scent near Lasalle.

"It was determined that the suspect entered the house through the unlocked exterior garage entry door to the unlocked kitchen entry door," said the investigator.

—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

Oven fire

Firefighters responded to a call on Barrington at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1 and quickly extinguished a fire in the oven of a house.

Trend continues

The tailgate of a 2001 Ford F-150 pickup parked on Somerset between Thursday, Aug. 27 and Monday, Aug. 31 was stolen.

Lock your cars

Overnight Sunday, Aug. 30, an unlocked Jeep Wrangler parked on Lakepointe was entered. Oakley sunglasses and a silver iPod were stolen.

Overnight Sunday, Sept. 6, an unlocked Mazda parked on Yorkshire was entered and four credit cards were taken from the glove box.

Truck theft

Overnight Friday, Sept. 4, a Dodge Ram pickup was taken from the 1000 block of Maryland.

Bikes gone

Two bikes were taken from a

backyard on Nottingham Saturday, Aug. 29.

Theft from garage

Between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, two bikes and a lawn mower were taken from a garage on Maryland.

—Kathy Ryan
If you have information on these or any other crimes, notify Grosse Pointe Park Police at (313) 822-7400.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Outside fire

Firefighters sent to Fordcroft at 11:54 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 6, found heavy smoke coming from near the side of a house and a 15-year-old female resident with a garden hose.

"The cause of the fire was embers from a fire pit the (resident) placed next to a (6-foot) plastic storage cabinet," said an officer.

Flames reportedly destroyed the cabinet, a 10-foot pine tree and six-foot section of aluminum fence.

Drugged driving

A 38-year-old Redford Township woman operating a 1993 Ford on southbound Lakeshore near Clairview was arrested for being under the influence of drugs at 10:50 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3.

The investigating officer approached the car, smelled marijuana and asked the woman if there was anything illegal in the car.

"Not to my knowledge," she reportedly replied.

Officers said they found a small amount of marijuana in her purse.

Just checking

Two fire trucks driven to a house on Colonial at 8:33 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2, were returned to their bays when public safety officers learned that painters had mistakenly activated an alarm.

Nailed

A bicyclist on Lakeshore at the south end of the city flagged down a patrolman at 8:07 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1, to report roofing nails in the roadway.

"(The officer) reported that it appeared some roofing nails

had possibly fallen off a truck," said a dispatcher. "(He) removed the nails and other small supplies."

Hunting season

The onset of early goose hunting season, Sept. 1-10, prompted a complaint at 11:14 a.m. Tuesday Sept. 1, about hunters in Lake St. Clair off the 900 block of Lakeshore.

A public safety officer determined the hunters were far enough from shore to be within regulations.

—Brad Lindberg
If you have any information

about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Home alone

Police received several calls at 1:25 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6 about a fight at the corner of Allard and Bramcaster.

When police arrived, they found two teenage girls left home alone, who along with their boyfriends, were in a

heated discussion over who was to clean the house.

The girls were released to their grandmother.

Credit card theft

While at the bank Wednesday, Sept. 2, a 48-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident was asked about a new credit card the bank had issued in her name. The resident indicated she had not applied for the card.

An investigation by the bank revealed a card in her name was being used, with a billing

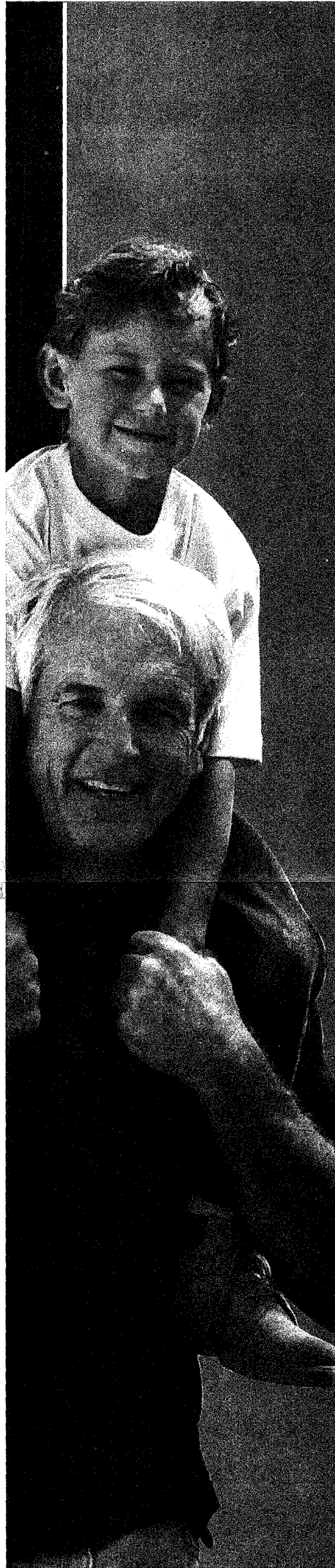
address in Madison Heights. Police and the bank's fraud department continue to investigate.

Suspended license

A 31-year-old Grosse Pointe Park resident was stopped at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31 for an illegal turn on red. A LEIN check revealed her license was suspended. She was arrested and the vehicle impounded.

—Kathy Ryan

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carceration.

Because of Tapert's clean record prior to the arrest, police think he'll qualify for the Holmes Youthful Trainee Act, by which his alleged offense will be erased if he doesn't violate probation.

"Chances are, they'll make a deal and we'll never see the in-

side of a courtroom on this again," said Lt. Rich Rosati, head of the Farms detective bureau.

Tapert reportedly confessed to buying the marijuana in Detroit two days before his arrest in a car parked late at night in the 200 block of Cloverly.

"Cases seldom go to trial where there is a confession," Rosati said. "Tapert may qualify for HYTA as a one-time offer to a youthful offender on a first-time felony."

Four teenage males from the Pointes in the car with Tapert were released.

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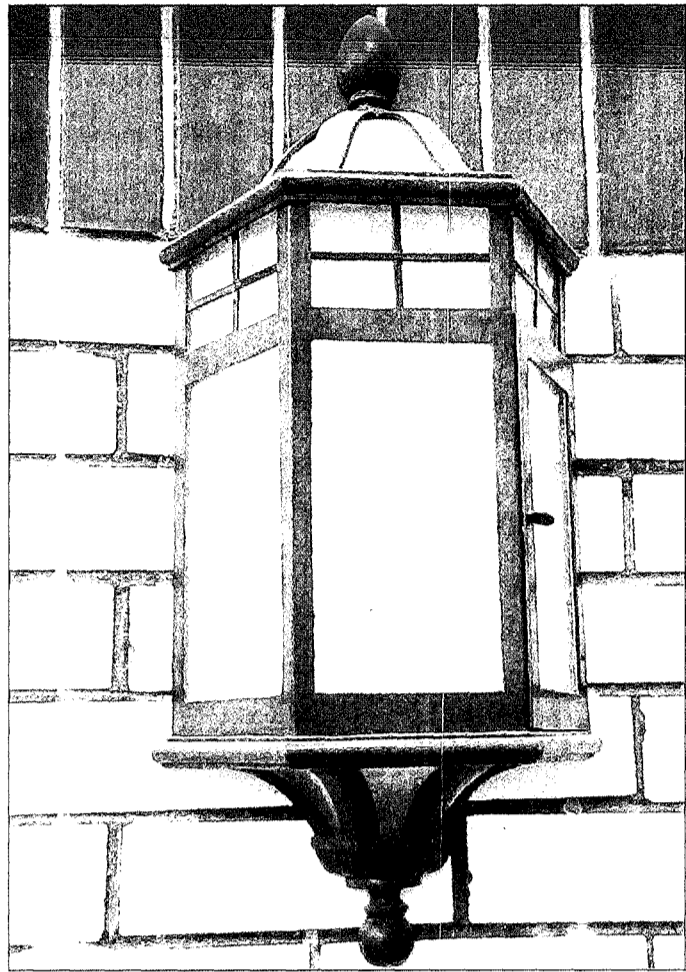
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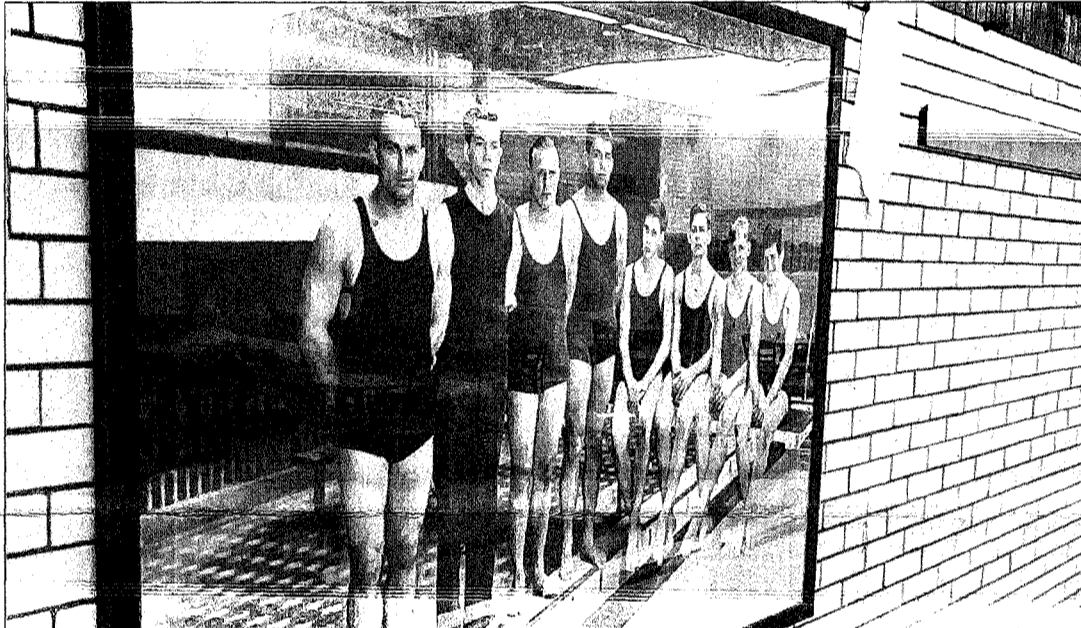
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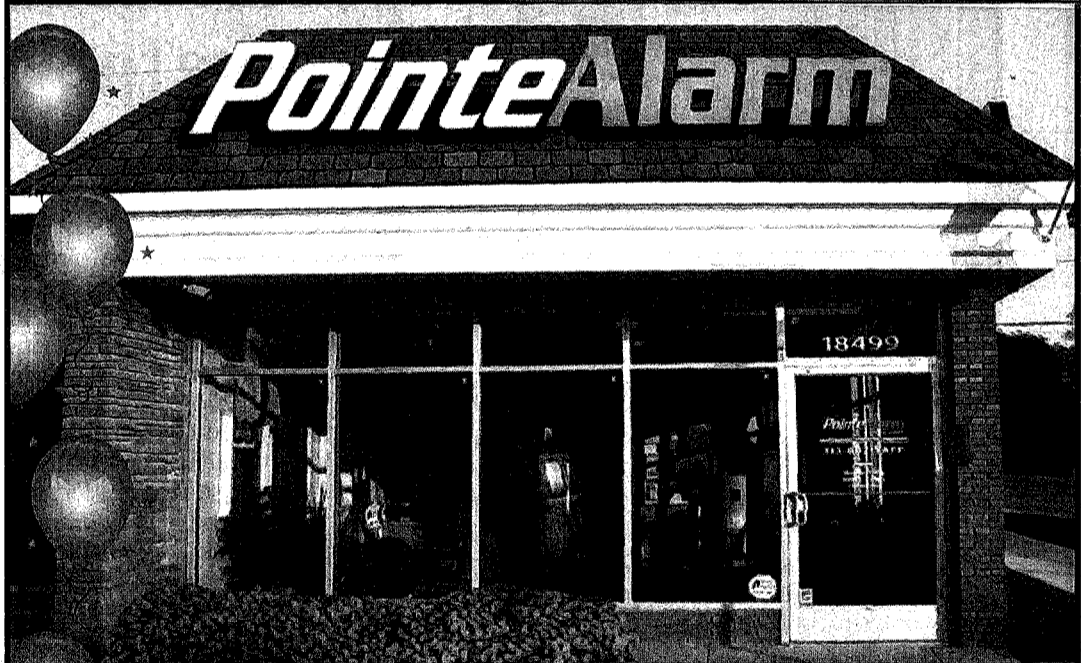


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A lane to the past

The new student commons may look a little familiar to those returning to Grosse Pointe South High School. The area designed for student gatherings and class meetings features traces of its former resident, the old pool, with original glazed brick still on the walls and black and white photographs of long-ago swimmers. Also restored are three of the five original skylights. Above: The new floor has been tiled to create a mirage of the old pool and its lanes. There are more than 200 chairs for table seating, along with carpeted space where spectators once sat. Top left: The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South Preservation Committee contributed several of the nostalgic details, including the old photos and 14 original sconces, two of which were restored through a grant from the Grosse Pointe Questers, Chapter 147. Left: South's swim team, circa 1931, in the original natatorium.



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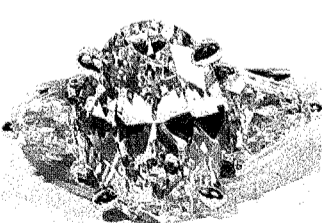
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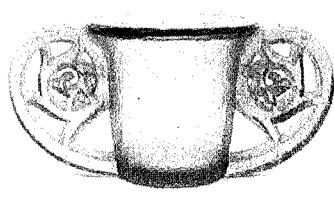
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GP schools earn all A's from state

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

Students in the Grosse Pointe Public School System earned high honors on what may be the final run of the state's current accreditation system.

The Michigan Department of Education released Sept. 3 the 2009 Education YES! Report Cards, showing straight A's for the district's elementary, middle and high schools. Additionally, all buildings met Adequate Yearly Progress.

"I'm thrilled," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction. "This is the first time since the report cards have been issued that all 14 schools both met AYP and received grades of A. We think it reflects the hard work and focus on using data and improving instruction of the district teachers and administrators. We're seeing the benefits of hard work. All A's are a hard standard to maintain, but we're ready for the challenge."

The Education Yes! Report Cards are a compilation of student scores on the Michigan Education Assessment

Program and the Michigan Merit Exam tests; the MI-Access alternate assessments for students with disabilities; AYP designation; and other self-reported school performance indicators such as family involvement, curriculum, high school graduation rates, student attendance and teacher professional development.

The AYP measurement gauges year-to-year student achievement on the MEAP for elementary and middle schools and the MME — released in August — for high schools. Other indicators, such as the number of students who participate in the assessments and graduation rate for high schools, are also considered in the calculation.

The number of schools receiving an A grade under Education YES! increased by about 5 percent statewide, according to MDE officials. Eighty-six percent of the state's public schools and 99 percent of K-12 school districts made AYP.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Mike Flanagan said this year's report reflects increases on many

'We think it reflects the hard work and focus on using data and improving instruction of the district teachers and administrators.'

SUSAN ALLAN,
Assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction

levels for schools, and credits among the key factors the student achievement gains in mathematics and writing assessment scores, especially among students who are economically disadvantaged.

"It is encouraging to see the progress many Michigan schools and districts are making," he stated in a release.

All Grosse Pointe schools also receive an individual report card with grades showing student achievement in English Language Arts and math. Out of the 10 elementary schools, only one B was issued to Poupard in English Language Arts with a score of 82.6. Four of the district's elementary schools received a 100 percent score in both academic areas: Ferry, Kerby, Maire and Richard. Monteith and Defer both earned a 100 percent in math.

Students at the middle and

high schools are also tested in science and social studies. Brownell and Pierce both earned a 100 percent in social studies and math, while Parcels earned a 100 percent in math.

Grosse Pointe North High School received a B in math with a score of 85.5, but earned a 100 percent in social studies, a 91.8 in English Language Arts and a 91.6 in science. Grosse Pointe South High School also earned a 100 percent in social studies, along with a 98 in English Language Arts, a 91.1 in math and a 99.8 in science.

The State Board of Education approved Education YES! as the state accreditation system in 2002 to provide a means of setting standards for continuous school improvement and measuring the need for support and intervention for schools.

It was concurrent with the passage of No Child Left Behind, which required states to have an accountability system, and aligns state and federal requirements by blending state accountability and AYP reporting.

But it appears the system may be on its way out as state school officials make way for a redesign.

MDE officials have said moving to a new system is needed to make the accreditation process more fair and less complicated, and to help the department intervene at schools in most need of assistance. Accreditation would be based largely on tests, but other criteria, such as having only certified teachers, also would be considered.

Under the current system, no schools are unaccredited, and MDE officials have said that illustrates the program isn't working. The new system likely would have more than 100 losing accreditation.

The proposed redesign, the Michigan School Accreditation System, makes Michigan standards the primary determinants for the state's accreditation system. It recognizes acad-

emic progress in all core subjects, recognizes five- and six-year graduation rates as successes and enables schools to calculate their accreditation status.

MDE says the MI-SAS will provide greater credibility, more transparent accountability and increased usefulness to those interested in the improvement of Michigan schools.

Members of the State Board of Education approved the accreditation plan in June. In order for MDE to move forward with implementing it, both the state Senate and House education committees need to sign off.

A decision would be needed by mid-September to have the system rolled out during the 2009-10 school year.

Allan says it is hard to say whether the proposed redesign would be an upgrade because its website isn't fully active.

"It will probably be an improvement for the high schools since they are on NCA (North Central Association on Accreditation and School Improvement) accreditation. We'll have to continue to monitor it for the others (schools)."

Entrants sought for art show Garage sale to benefit choirs

More than \$2,000 in prizes is available for Michigan artists in University Liggett School's

fine arts competition and juried arts show. The event is juried by Detroit artist and College

for Creative Studies professor Gilda Snowden. Art historian Dennis Alan Nawrocki pro-

vides the lecture, "Stalking Public Art in Metro Detroit," as part of the exhibition's series of events that run Nov. 6 and 7.

To enter or for show rules, download the entry form at uls.org and click on the arts competition button. All entries must be postmarked by Sept. 17. For more information, contact Jim Pujdowski at jpjuddowski@uls.org or (313) 884-4444, ext. 366.

A family garage sale is rain or shine from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Estate sale-quality items are featured, along with household knickknacks.

Proceeds go toward Grosse Pointe South choirs to cover the costs of the upcoming year's scholarships, competition travel, choreographers, costumes and related activities.

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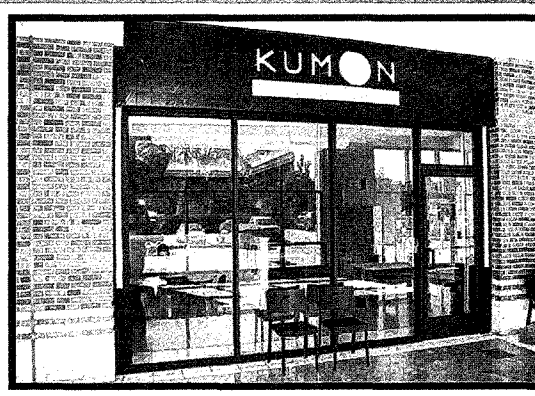
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RACING FOR KIDS

Benefit raises \$50,000 for sick children

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Money raised during the Racing For Kids charity benefit and auction last week will be distributed locally.

Beneficiaries of the Sept. 2 auction and fundraiser on the Hill are Henry Ford Cottage Hospital in Grosse Pointe Farms, William Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe and Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit.

"We're all about children," Robbie Buhl, the charity's national spokesman and Farms native, told a group of nearly 300 potential bidders assembled on the Kercheval sidewalk outside the Northern Trust Building. "Your generosity tonight is going to benefit three children's hospitals. We appreciate everyone's effort."

The event raised more than \$50,000.

"If a hospital has identified a specific pediatric need, we make sure the funds are designated for that," said Patrick Wright, the charity's executive director headquartered on the Hill. "If there has not been a need identified, we make sure funds go to playroom development. Most hospitals do not have a line item in their budgets for playroom development."

Ten items sold at auction accounted for more than \$16,000

of the total.

A surprise item added to the lineup, a two-night stay at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate cottage, went quickly for \$1,700.

An ocean fishing vacation off the Florida Keys proved to be such a popular item that two dueling bidders were awarded separate trips at \$3,500 each. Other high-end items included a \$3,000 weekend in New York. A package of tickets to major area sporting events sold for \$1,800.

Ninety percent of more than \$5 million Racing For Kids has raised during its 20 years has been donated to hospitals in the community where donations originate, according to Wright.

"Sponsors have stepped up tremendously given the economic circumstances," he told people attending the fundraiser.

Police closed Kercheval on the Hill to regular traffic during the auction so Mike Conway, one of Buhl's drivers at Dreyer & Reinbold Racing, could demonstrate pit stops. Conway did burnouts in the same No. 24 Dreyer & Reinbold Transystems race car he drove to third place two weeks ago at Infineon Raceway in California.

"Nothing makes my hair stand up as when we start one of these cars," Buhl said to the crowd.

A bluish cloud of burned rubber spiced by ethanol exhaust fumes engulfed the car when Conway capped his final burnout by squealing in circles at the intersection of Kercheval and Hall Place.

"That's 700 horsepower," Buhl said to the cheering crowd.

Office windows shook and some people held their ears when Conway did a series of burnouts not seen since South High School students during the muscle car era gave power shows on Fisher.

Conway then got behind the wheel of the Farms unmarked Mustang GT police car, turned off the traction control and spun the tires 100 feet up Kercheval.

"They asked me to do a burnout," said Conway, smiling. "They only had to ask me once."



Robbie Buhl and Patrick Wright conduct the Racing For Kids charity auction from the landing of a race car hauler parked on one side of Kercheval on the Hill. Bidders on the other side of the street stand clear of Buhl's driver demonstrating pit stops.



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Indy Racing League driver Mike Conway sizes up the Farms unmarked Mustang GT prior to a burnout.

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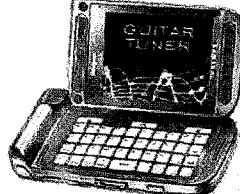
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OBITUARIES

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Stephen A. Balogh

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Stephen A. Balogh, 87, of Meridian, Idaho, passed away Friday, Aug. 28, 2009, from natural causes at St. Luke's Meridian Medical Center.

He was born Sept. 1, 1921, in Fairfield, Conn., to Kalman and Helen Bakos Balogh. His dream was to be a pilot in the U.S. Navy, and he realized that dream, serving as a pilot in World War II and in the reserves for many years.

He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1951, and was a salesman for New York Life Insurance Company.

He married Catherine Figg in 1954 and Dorothy Sergus in 1991.

Mr. Balogh grew up in a Hungarian-speaking community in Connecticut, lived for many years in Grosse Pointe Woods and moved to Idaho in 2000 to be near his daughter, Susette, and her family.

He was an avid reader and fisherman and a lifelong fan and supporter of Dartmouth College. He was a member of

the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church; the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club, where he was a Paul Harris Fellow and served as president; and a member of St. Clair River Golf and Country Club.

He finished the crossword puzzle every day, and still bowled with the seniors group on Monday afternoons. He had been hoping for a new bowling ball for his birthday.

Mr. Balogh was a connoisseur of fine dining, and especially loved seafood and Hungarian dishes. He visited each of the 50 states, achieving that goal in 2008 on a cruise to Alaska with his son-in-law, Mark. His family said he was the quintessential joker, and never met a stranger.

Mr. Balogh is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Tom Jenks of Wheaton, Ill., and their daughters, Allyson and Stephanie; his daughter and son-in-law, Susette and Mark Freeman of Meridian, Idaho, and their children, Zack, Catie, and Matthew and by his nephew, Bill Figg (Vicki Smith) of Dexter.

A memorial service will be

held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 4, 2009, at Meridian United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Jamie McPherson officiating. Burial will be in Connecticut at a later date.

Share a memory with the family at accentfuneral.com.

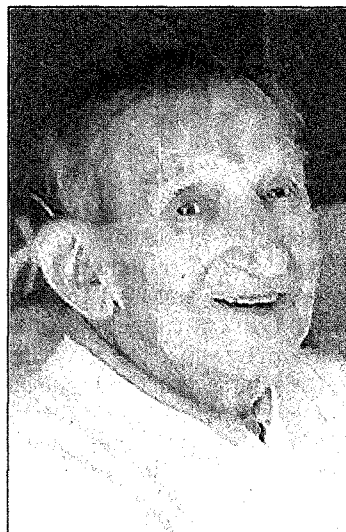
Steven Molnar

Former longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Steven Molnar, 92, died Friday, Aug. 28, 2009, at St. John Macomb Hospital, Warren. He had been living in Roseville.

Mr. Molnar was born Dec. 5, 1916 in Detroit to George and Barbara Molnar and attended Wayne State University.

He was a longtime employee of Chrysler Corp. having served as supervisor in the tool and die shop and model shop in Detroit. Other assignments included work on the U.S. space program's Redstone missile Project in the Detroit area and Huntsville, Ala.

Mr. Molnar enjoyed golf; dancing, particularly square dancing; building houses; and carpentry and building furni-



Stephen A. Balogh



Dorothy Johnson



Steve Zguris

ture. He especially enjoyed using his talents to help others.

He was a life-time member of the Order of the Masons.

Mr. Molnar is survived by his daughters, Pamela Sue (John E. Schneider) Molnar and Cindy-Lou Molnar and grandson, Nicholas Ockershausen.

He was predeceased by his wife, Evelyn May Molnar and siblings, Julia, Elizabeth, Irene and John.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, at Chapel at American House, 17255 Common Road, Roseville.

Dorothy Johnson

City of Grosse Pointe resident Dorothy Johnson, nee Rushnack, passed away Thursday, Aug. 27, 2009. She was 93.

Born Dec. 30, 1915, outside of Chicago, Ill., she was predeceased by her husband, Roy Johnson, nine siblings and her grandson, Keith.

Mrs. Johnson was an active volunteer throughout her life as well as a mentor and friend to many.

She is survived by her sister,

Alberta Grogg; her sons, Ronald (Marie) and Edward (June) and her daughter, Lois (Gail) Warden of the City of Grosse Pointe. She also is survived by her grandchildren, Kenneth, Jay, Janna and Jena and her great-grandchildren, Connor, Hannah, Ross, Sam and Molly.

A memorial service will be held at noon, Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009, at the chapel in Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe.

Memorial contributions may be made to Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo Street, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230-1201.

Steve Zguris

Steve Zguris, 78, of Traverse City, passed away Sunday, Aug. 23, 2009, at Bortz Health Care.

Born Aug. 26, 1930, in Detroit to Anastas and Katina Zguris, he married May Heuft Nov. 22, 1959 in Detroit.

Mr. Zguris made his living as a florist, owning and operating many shops, with his wife, May, in New York and Michigan. He could often be found sneaking

off to the casino, where he enjoyed playing the slots or taking in a hand of poker. He enjoyed trips to casinos in Atlantic City and Connecticut.

His family said he was an inveterate talker and never met a stranger. He did, however, take time for himself, going on walks throughout New York City or listening to some of his favorite music. Above all, he loved his family and was a loving husband, father, and pa-pou.

Mr. Zguris is survived by his wife of 49 years, May; daughter, Whitney Allen of New York City; son, Christopher Zguris of New York City; sister, Elsie (Pasquale) Forino of New York City; grandsons, Westlee Koval of New York City and Ryan Allen of New York City and many other loving family members and friends.

He was predeceased by his parents, brother and three sisters.

Funeral services were held. Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 1040 Walnut Street, Traverse City, MI 49686 or at alz.org.

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Hughes to address Eastside Republican Club

The Eastside Republican Club holds a forum at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The guest speaker is Holly J. Hughes, national committee-woman representing the Michigan Republican Party.

Hughes was elected to the Republican National Committee in 2006 and re-elected in 2008.

She will share her perspective on the 2009 National Committee under the new leadership of Michael Steele and the committee's plans for 2009 and 2010 elections.

"We are delighted to have Holly's insight on the changes in the National Republican Party and the outlook for the

future," said John Chouinard, chairman of the Eastside Republican Club.

The GOP recently announced Hughes will be chairwoman of the site selection committee for the 2012 Republican National Convention.

Hughes has an extensive background in community leadership positions as well as in Muskegon County grassroots Republican efforts, including school board member, township trustee and Muskegon County Republican chairman.

She also assists in running the family's business, Master Tag, which manufactures horticultural labels for the agriculture industry. Over the last 25 years, Hughes has helped



Holly J. Hughes

guide the company's growth from seven to 160 employees. Hughes was awarded White Lake Chamber of Commerce's Athena Award, which recognizes area businesswomen.

The Eastside Republican Club forum is held on the third Tuesday of the month. The public is welcome.

For more information, call Tom McCleary at (313) 882-2709.

AAUW book sale

Browse through hundreds of used books at the 47th Annual Used Book Sale of the American Association of University Women Grosse Pointe Branch.

The sale runs Wednesday, Sept. 16 through Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, adjacent to the city hall offices.

Sale times are Wednesday through Friday 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Book prices vary. Wednesday and Thursday prices are as marked and Friday prices are half off. On Saturday, bargain hunters can fill a bag or two; \$8 for one bag, \$15 for two. Bags are provided.

The sale includes an extensive collection of books related to film and movies.

For more information, visit aauwgrossepointe.org.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

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Children are Champions

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Bridget Rogers, 7, stood with her father on the Kercheval curb, her hand in his hand and her freshly-fallen out front tooth in his pocket.

She pointed to an Indy race car doing high-horsepower burnouts on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bridget doesn't know much about race cars but, as the daughter of a Farms police lieutenant, she calls it like she sees it.

"I know about that car," she said. "It was speeding a lot and I saw it."

Upper Kercheval on the Hill was at times a blur of spinning tires and smoke during the Racing For Kids street festival Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 2.

Mike Conway, a driver in the Indy Racing League, demonstrated pit stops with a crew from Dreyer & Reinbold Racing, based in Indianapolis and co-owned by Farms native Robbie Buhl.

The free event preceded a fundraising auction that evening to benefit Racing For Kids, a charity that uses the popularity of motorsports to raise money and awareness for children's health care.

"We had great pit stops," said Buhl, the charity's national spokesman. "But, we don't want to forget why we're here, which is 20 years of Racing For Kids. Pretty incredible."

The charity was founded in 1989 and has raised more than \$5 million.

Ninety percent of money raised is given to children's hospitals in the community where it was donated, according to Patrick Wright, executive director with offices on the Hill.

The festival in the Farms featured a display of exotic sports cars, games, music and ponies.

Overall attendance was hard to calculate because so many people came and went at random times during the three-hour event. A snapshot tally by Dan Jensen, Farms chief of public safety, about

midway through the afternoon topped 800.

"The event today was outstanding," he said. "This is a family town. Everything that went on today on the Hill — that's what we're all about."

This was the festival's third straight year. Attendance was estimated to be greater than last year due to closing Kercheval on the Hill to traffic.

"The street closure has made a huge difference," said Ed Russell, a member of the sponsoring Hill Association's special events committee.

Carol Campau of the City of Grosse Pointe returned this year with her son, Jack, 10; daughter, Sarah, 6; and two of their friends.

"It's a great day to support the Racing For Kids," Campau said. "It's great to get the community out and see everybody."

Ken Bodenhorn of the Farms attended with his 3-year-old son, Ian, and daughter, Mia, 6.

"The simulated pit stops were very cool," said Bodenhorn, with Ian in line for snow cones in the Richard School parking lot. "They did it three times. We were standing right behind the car. Awesome."

His daughter was nearby petting a pony.

"I love animals," Mia said.

Tom Buhl, Robbie's brother, a Farms resident and one of the event's organizers, called the festival a "home run."

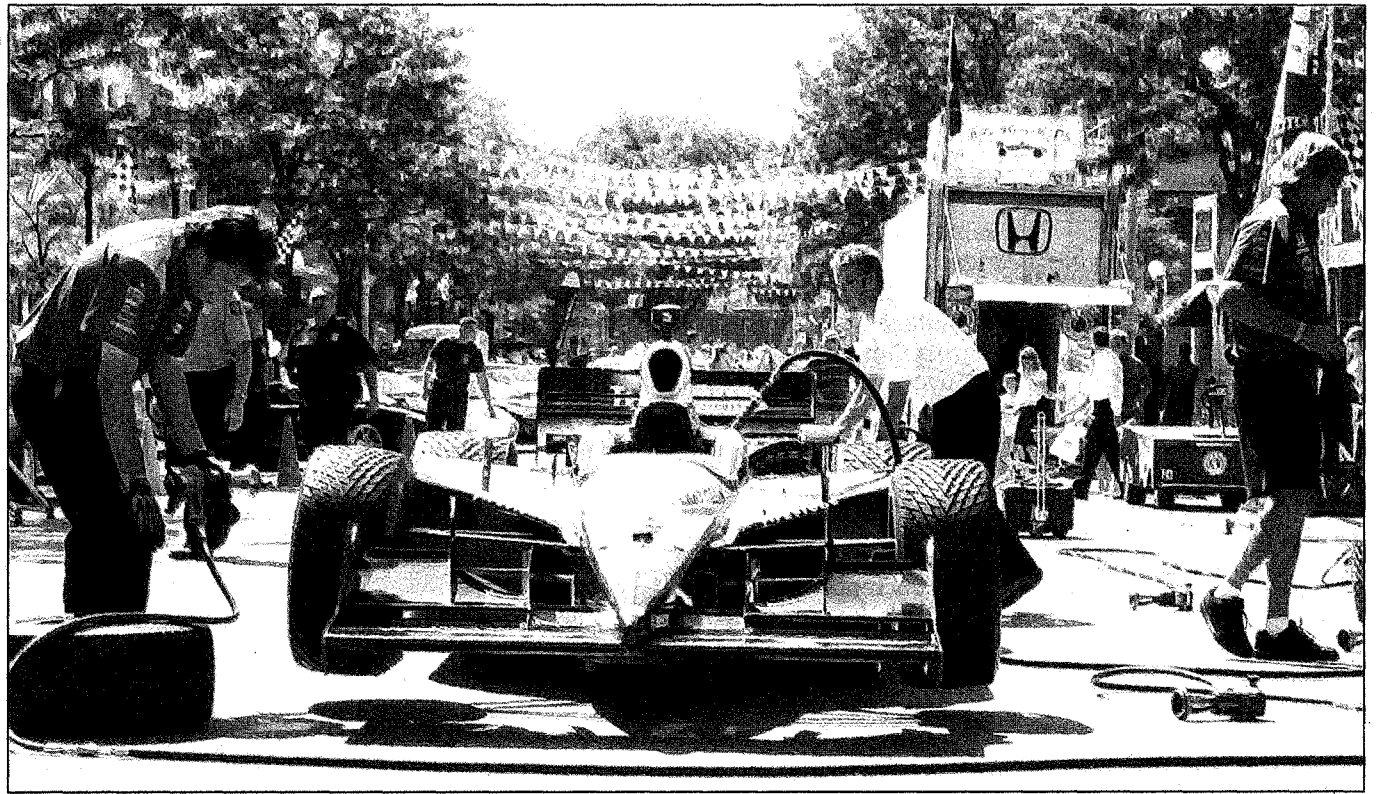
"Families loved it," he said. "The city loved it. Merchants loved it. We want to keep building and building it."

Games included a putting contest on temporary greens set up by Dan LaLonde, a Hill merchant and association member.

"Six children made three putts in a row and won silver dollars worth \$15 each," LaLonde said.

Many people said they look forward to an even bigger festival next year.

"Well, we'll top it," LaLonde said.



At top, the pit crew demonstrates for hundreds who attended Racing For Kids. Above, the auction items were viewed by the 300 bidders. At right, Kercheval is up in smoke as an extended burnout takes place. More stories and photos will wrap the 2009 Racing for Kids in next week's Grosse Pointe News.

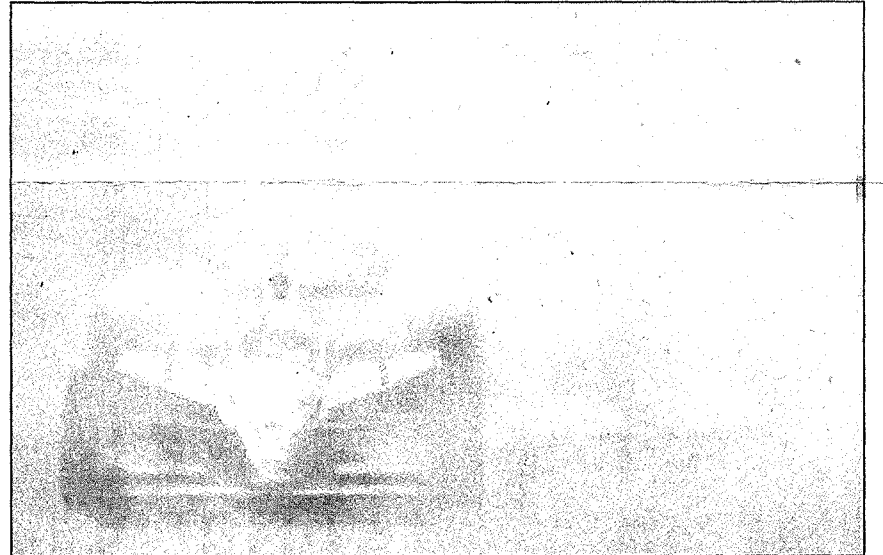


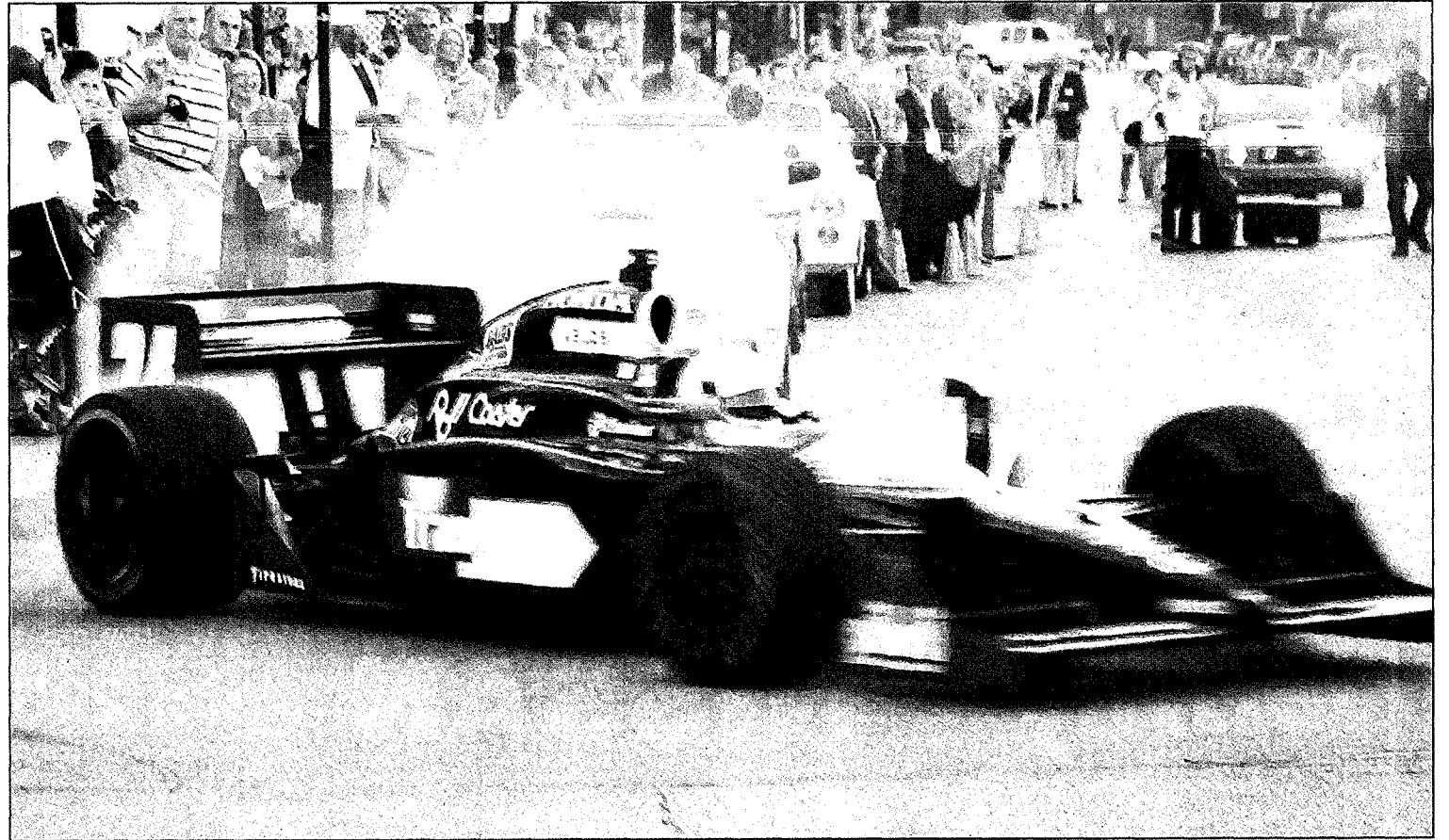
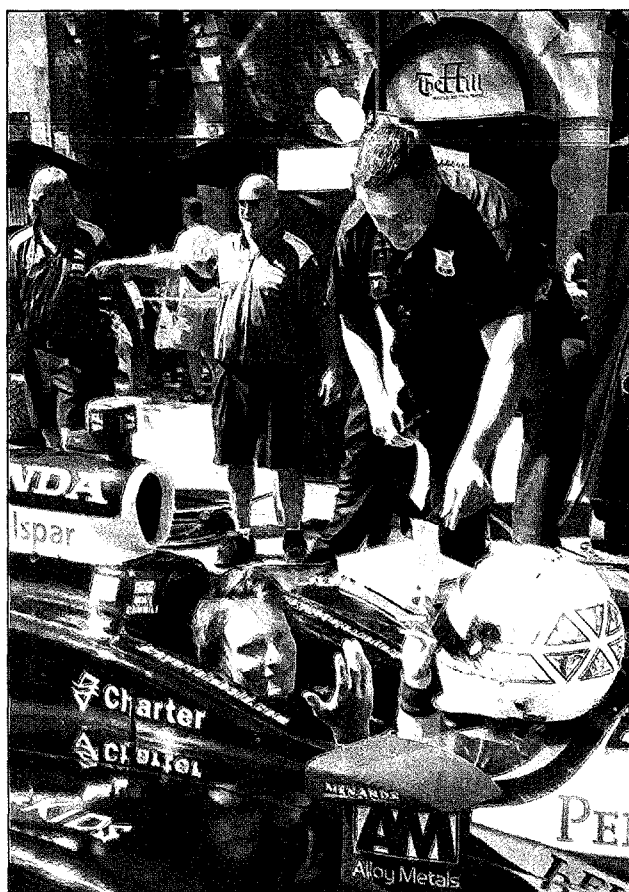
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Above, Robbie Buhl, left, and Patrick Wright of Racing For Kids address the crowd before the auction. Below, driver Mike Conway didn't get a ticket two weeks ago for speeding to third place at an Indy Car race in California, but he got one last week from Farms Officer Frank Zelinski for squealing his race car's tires on the Kercheval. It was all for fun and games during the festival and fundraiser for children's health care. Below right, a few spins at Muir and Kercheval were allowed for one day.



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6A II | AUTOMOTIVE

AUTOS By Jenny King

Gooding & Company classic car auction



same mid-August weekend. No fewer than nine vehicles changed hands for more than \$1 million. Six-figure sales were ordinary.

Buyers responded enthusiastically to the 170 cars quartered in and around the white Gooding tents near the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center.

The Santa Monica-based company reported 129 sales from its Aug. 15 through Aug. 16 auctions valued at \$50.8 million.

A 1962 Ferrari 250 GT SWB California Spider brought the

most: \$5,115,000.

An Aston Martin, a Jaguar and a Buick broke their previous sales records, Gooding reported.

This kind of market takes on a life of its own. Winning bids sometimes verify the professional presale value estimates; sometimes they far exceed or drop well below those dollar amounts. Deal or no deal?

Auction staff put a value of up to \$95,000 on a rare and largely original 1936 Chrysler

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This familiar-looking 1955 Packard Clipper with 327-inch eight sold for \$46,200.

Gooding & Company puts on a two-day auction in mid-August at Pebble Beach, Calif., with cars so magnificent, they might easily be entered in the neighboring Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, which runs the

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Autos: Classic car auction

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C-11 Custom Imperial Airflow limousine, with just 61,000 miles on its eight-cylinder L-head engine. Sold at no reserve, the somber art deco limo brought \$27,500 — likely an excellent investment for the buyer, but not good news for the previous owner.

It's a gamble to sell a car at no reserve. That may encourage high bidding; it may disappoint the seller who parts with a vehicle at far less than its anticipated value.

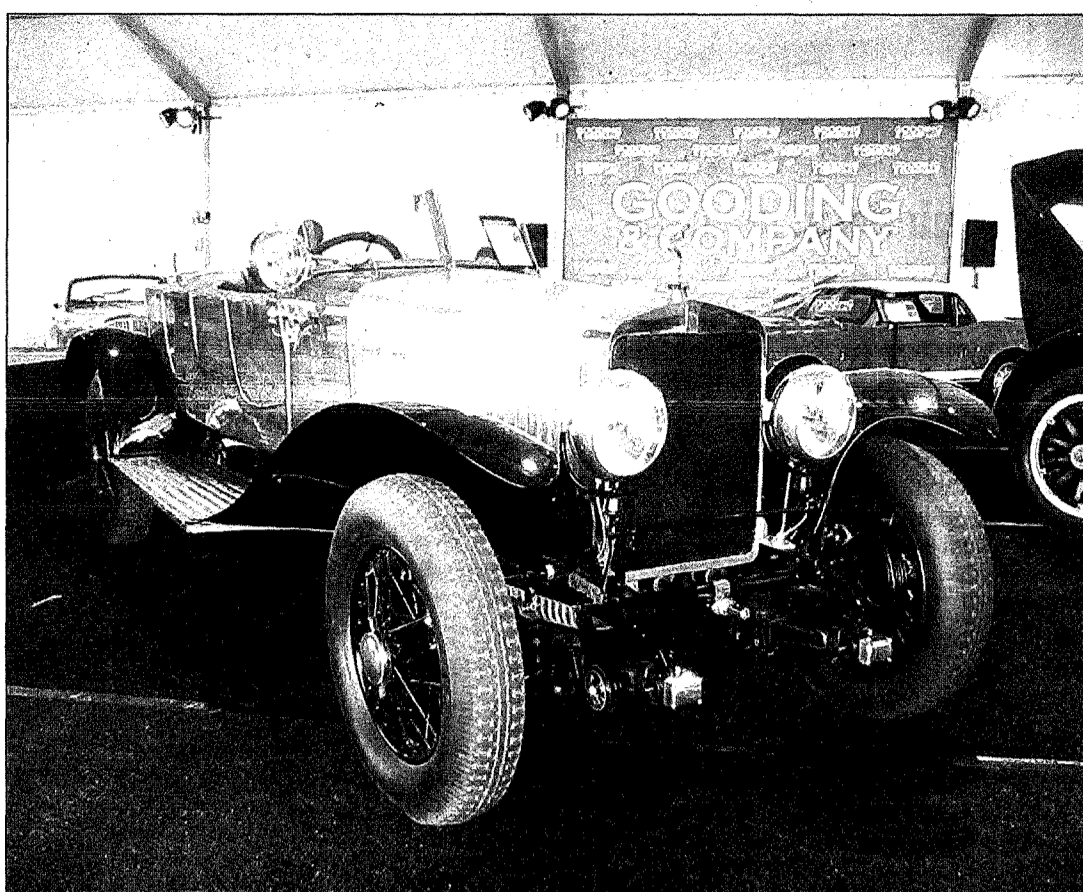
A 1959 Jaguar XK150 S 3.4-liter roadster with three carburetors and a 250-horsepower rating sold for \$154,000. Offered at no reserve, it had been valued at between \$115,000 and \$135,000. Here, the no reserve paid off.

Same for the 1966 Aston Martin DB6 MK1 Vantage, a 325-horsepower coupe with independent front suspension and a professional restoration valued before the sale at up to \$275,000. It sold, no reserve, for \$341,000.

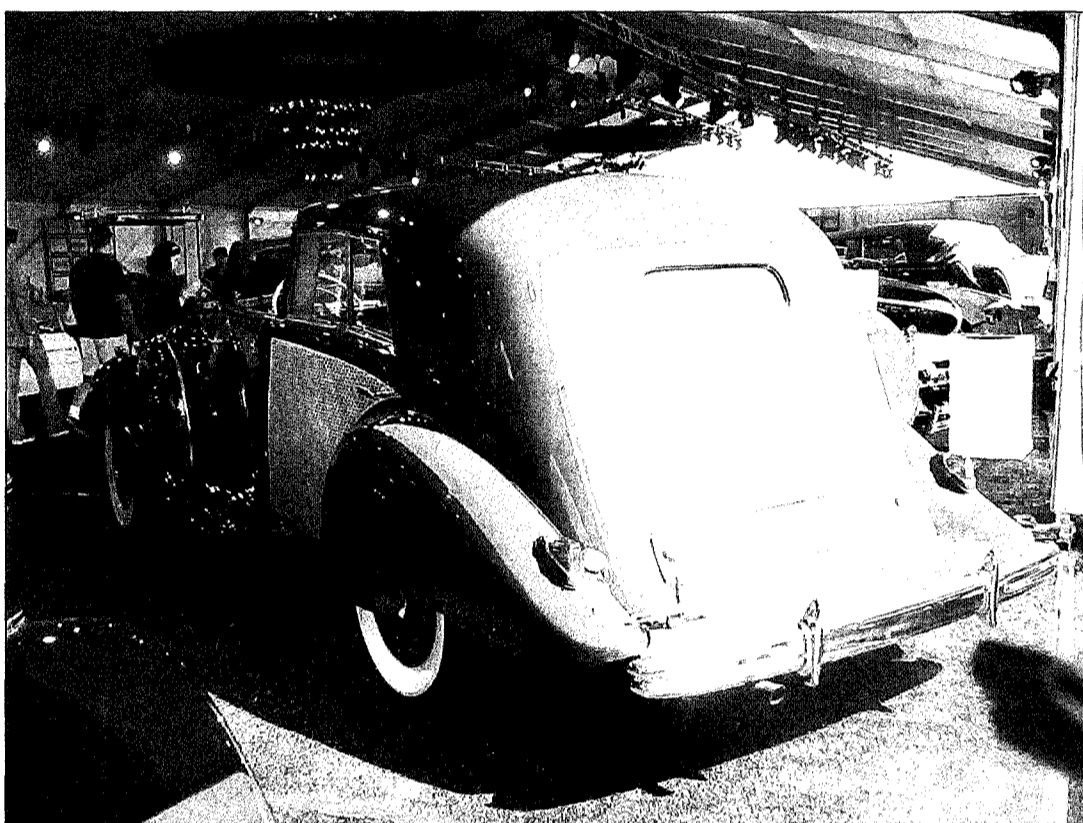
An intriguing 1938 Buick Limited Series 80 Opera Brougham, with Fernandez & Darrin of Paris coachwork that combined new swooping lines with old-fashioned limo elegance, sold for \$506,000. Its presale valuation had been between \$200,000 and \$325,000.

In contrast: A rare 1957 Facel-Vega FV2B convertible, thought to be one of 11 built and among five known to survive, had been valued between \$350,000 and \$450,000. At no reserve, it sold for \$231,000.

The 2009 Pebble Beach sale fell short of last year's \$64 million-plus Pebble Beach sale. Gooding & Company will be in Scottsdale, Ariz., in late January, 2010, for another auction.



This 1924 Delage GL Skiff-Torpedo, with Grand Luxe chassis and body work by Jean-Henri Labourdette, has a 100-horsepower six with four-speed manual. Estimated to bring up to \$1.3 million, it sold for \$660,000.



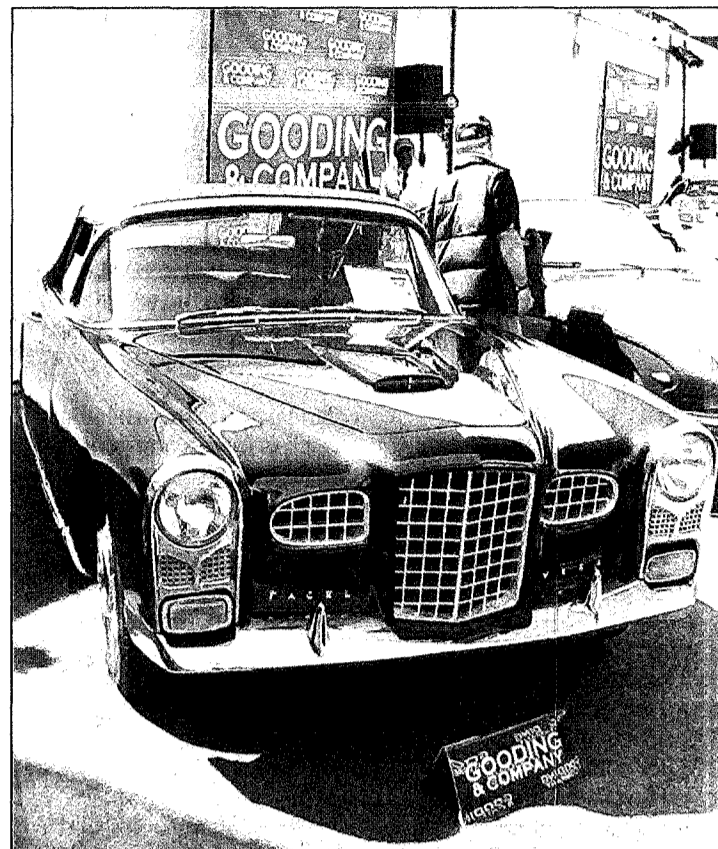
This 1938 Buick Limited Series 80 Opera Brougham, with Fernandez & Darrin of Paris coachwork and rear seat instrumentation, sold for \$506,000. Its presale valuation had been \$200,000 to \$325,000.

This year's Scottsdale auction sales totaled \$32.4 million.

Non-bidders typically are welcome to pay admission, browse the inventory and attend the auction. Two thick, full-color, glossy catalogs with detailed descriptions of vehi-

cles for sale were available. Some cars occupied at least six pages of history and photos.

After all, if you are planning to part with \$5 million for your next dream machine, best that you do your homework first.



This 1957 Facel-Vega FV2B convertible has a 354-inch Chrysler Hemi V-V-12 engine.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The Hyundai Elantra sedan received a total redesign in 2007, and is still a staunch competitor in the compact to mid-size class. It's recognized as one of the top five greenest vehicles in its class.

All-new 2009 Hyundai Elantra SE



This week, we're driving the 2009 Hyundai Elantra SE, a roomy sedan that delivers 24-mpg city and 33 miles per gallon highway — base price: \$17,020; price as tested: \$17,790.

When it comes to Korean built automobiles, Hyundai has improved since arriving on American shores in 1992.

Major competition comes from Ford Focus, Honda Civic, Chevy Cobalt, Pontiac G5, Nissan Sentra and Toyota Corolla. Thanks to Hyundai's much better build quality, owner satisfaction and industry first 100,000-mile limited powertrain warranty, Hyundai is now a respected and award-winning manufacturer.

Unlike the previous generation which ended in 2006, Elantra's fourth generation offers a longer exterior design, roomy interior and much better suspension components. Its rounded outer blueprint fits better with today's styles, as the front end features integrated fog lamps, Halogen headlamps, straight forward hood design, and a chrome accent grille.

It may not be a head turning pattern, but Elantra's traditional format fits in nicely with most of the competition.

Under the hood sits a 138-horsepower 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine hooked to a five-

speed manual transmission. With 136 pound-feet of torque, you won't win any drag races, but you can travel 378 miles on a tank of regular grade fuel. Still, thanks to the vehicle's lighter weight to power ratio, acceleration and passing are acceptable.

Underneath, the wheelbase stretches from a first generation 98.4-inch to its present 104.3, and is 1.6-inches longer than 2006's third generation model. I always feel more is better when it comes to wheelbase, as the expansion opens up everything from a better ride to more interior and cargo room.

Because of this growth, EPA now classifies Elantra as a mid-size car, although it is still a "small car" in my book, and mimics competing models that have experienced similar compact car growth.

Inside, we like what Elantra offers, albeit in a non fancy mode. An adjustable driver's seat, all the powers, air, cruise, tilt/telescopic steering with audio controls, comfortable seating, nice gauges, the modern MP3, USB and 12 volt plug ins, numerous compartments, four cup holders, remote keyless entry and trunk release, XM Satellite with three months free service, 6-speaker stereo CD player, and even a B&M Sport shifter highlight the offerings. Elantra also offers very good rear passenger room, although three adults sitting side by side on the 60/40 split bench will be tight for sure.

Safety is one of Elantra SE's paramount features and worthy of special note. Elantra SE earned 5-Star government

crash ratings for front and 4-Star for side and rollover tests. Included as standard equipment are dual front, front side and side curtain

air bags, 4-channel ABS, 4-wheel disc brakes, traction control, electronic brake force and electronic stability control. Add all this up and you arrive at a very safe automobile.

On the road, Hyundai's gas shock equipped fully independent suspension features MacPherson struts up front and a rear multi-link setup out back. Stabilizer bars not only result in better handling, owners may notice a 50 percent increase in body stiffness over the previous generation.

These advancements, combined with SE's 16-inch tires and alloy wheels, result in better handling in every driving situation.

Important numbers include a curb weight of 2,723 pounds, 14.0 cubic-feet of cargo space, 14-gallon fuel tank, 33.9-foot turning circle, and 1500-pound towing capacity. The only option consisted of \$95 floor mats and \$675 for inland freight and handling. A base GLS starts at just \$14,120 for those looking for an entry level model.

Hyundai's Elantra still receives good marks from this

scribe, as a strong 8.5 on a scale of one to 10 is worthy.

Likes: Design, safety items, warranty, suspension, value for dollar spent.

Dislikes: May be time for an exterior tweak, more horsepower would be nice.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.

2009 Hyundai Elantra SE



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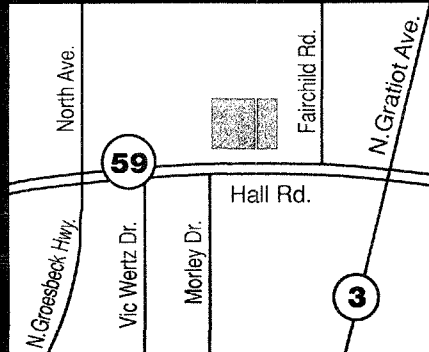
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Round up of clubs

Couples, parents, music lovers and shutter bugs will find a club in the Grosse Pointes suited to their needs and interests.

The following is a list of organizations seeking volunteers and members.

Daughters of the British Empire in Michigan Inc. offers non-political support for four homes for elderly in the United States and local philanthropy activities.

The members meet once a month in members' houses and hold fundraising events during the year. Dues are collected annually.

The club seeks women of British, British Commonwealth birth or ancestry.

DBE, whose motto is "Not ourselves, but the cause," has members from England, Scotland, Wales, North Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

The organization observed its 100th year of philanthropy this year.

For more information, contact the state president Marlene Ricca at (810) 794-5449.

Eastside Handweavers Guild offers support and encouragement for those who enjoy weaving, spinning and other fiber arts.

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Jennifer Greenfelder of Grosse Pointe Woods.

enced in the art or willing to learn can attend the club's two-hour monthly meetings featuring programs, lectures and workshops held at 7 p.m. the third Monday of the month at Algonquin Middle School in Clinton Township.

Offshoot groups for knitters, spinners and study groups are also offered.

Dues are \$15 with an additional charge for workshops and materials.

For more information, visit eastsidehandweavers.org or e-mail info@eastsidehandweavers.org.

The Festival Flutes is a flute ensemble for flutists aged high school through adult and meets for an hour each week.

The ensemble meets in nursing homes in Grosse Pointe from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Tuesday to provide entertainment to senior citizens.

For more information, call Laurie Strachan at (313) 882-0077.

League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe is a non-profit organization which encourages the informed participation of citizens in government. Members work to increase the



Kenny Rhee, a member of the Grosse Pointe Camera Club, titled this Monarch Landing on Thistle.

understanding of major public policy issues and influence public policy through education and advocacy.

Both men and women, 18

years and older, may join for the two to three-hour a month commitment.

League activities take place at the Grosse Pointe War

Memorial, members' houses, city offices and churches.

The organization seeks members with a variety of interests and points of view, skills and experiences.

For more information, call (313) 343-0771.

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club is for shutterbugs of any age who like to share their interests with others.

The club provides educational opportunities for members to develop their photographic interest and offers contact with others with similar interests through participation in assignments, mini programs, field trips and organized shoots.

Monthly competitions provide members with feedback and recognition of improvement.

Meetings are held from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays at Brownell Middle School, Room C-11. Annual dues are \$20.

For more information, contact Mike Florian at (313) 822-7080 or visit grossepointecameraclub.org.

Grosse Pointe Lions Club is a non-profit organization for men and women 18 years and older. Annual dues are \$125. Meetings are at noon the first and third Thursdays at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

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New minister installed

A new chapter unfolds at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church with the installation of the Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver.

An extensive pastoral search was conducted by a committee this year. On Aug. 2, the congregation voted its approval of Yeager-Stiver. He officially began Tuesday, Sept. 8, and delivers his first sermon Sunday, Sept. 13.

Yeager-Stiver served congregations in Indiana and Ohio from 1999 to 2008. He was the pastor for two congregations of the Church of the Brethren and an Associate Minister for Youth at Hudson (Ohio) Congregational Church.

In 2005, he was awarded a Sustaining Pastoral Excellence grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. Along with colleagues, he traveled to the Dominican Republic to explore the leadership of the local churches and the applicability to American congregational settings.

Yeager-Stiver said he enjoys aiding the spiritual growth of youth. His ministry with youth includes attending the annual Alive Festival of Christian music and worship, leading junior high youth groups and being involved with vacation Bible school. He said he is looking forward to teaching the children of Grosse Pointe Congregational, as well as partnering with Alison Scarfone, Christian Education Director at GPCC, for the many activities planned for the year.

"Richard is an experienced church pastor who has focused experiences in youth ministry, hospice ministry and interna-



Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver

tional mission ministry," said church moderator Ron Strickler. "He brings to the Pointes more than fresh eyes; he brings fresh perspectives on the 21st-century role of church in community and in society."

The minister and his wife, Karen, will live in Grosse Pointe Woods. The couple say they are looking forward to being active members of the church community as well as the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities.

"My desire is to help Grosse Pointe Congregational Church continue to live its vision to RISE (Reach out, Inspire others, Serve, and Embrace diversity)," he said. "If you are seeking a place of faith in action, come join us at GPCC."

A luncheon will follow the 10 a.m. service to welcome the Yeager-Stivers. The community is invited.

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church is located at 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, next to Brownell Middle School.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Men's breakfast

Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's breakfast meets from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, in the Grosse Memorial Church's Fellowship Hall, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The speaker will be the Rev. Scott Davis, pastor of Zion United Church of Christ in Mount Clemens. For more information, call (313) 882-5636.

Sale

The community is invited to participate in the free First English Lutheran Church Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, in the parking lot of the church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Some vendor space is still available to display anything from trinkets to furniture.

See the church website at feelc.org for a contract with details of the \$20 advance rental.

Capuchin Soup Kitchen

The Capuchin Soup Kitchen's Earthworks Urban Farm hosts its second annual Harvest Dinner, Saturday, Sept. 12, at Gleaners Community Food Bank, a Capuchin Soup Kitchen partner, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit.

Detroit activist, Grace Lee Boggs, will be featured. She works for sustainable communities and social justice. The

dinner will be a selection of dishes made from recipes submitted by many of Earthwork's partners: SEED Wayne, the Greening of Detroit, and the Detroit Black Community Food Security Network. All have shared a favorite in-season recipe for the occasion.

Social hour in the garden begins at 5 p.m. with appetizers and garden tours, weather permitting.

The dinner will be sourced entirely of local southeast Michigan food and prepared by local chefs assisted by Earthwork's teen farmers and local volunteers.

"We hope to gather together with our partners, friends, neighbors, and community members to slow down for a

moment, to celebrate our hard work, to reflect, and enjoy the harvest," says Patrick Crouch, program manager for Earthworks Urban Farm.

Tickets are \$15 to \$100. A sponsor ticket is \$25.

For more information or to order a ticket, visit cskdetroit.org/earthworks or call (313) 579-2100, ext. 204. Reservations required.

Rally Day

Christ the King Lutheran Church holds its Rally Day, the traditional kick-off to its fall programs, Sunday, Sept. 13.

An integrated curriculum, "Growing in Christ," is used in Sunday school. Its lessons are

age appropriate, from preschool through adult.

High school students' class is taught by the Rev. Matthew Dent.

Adults may choose the adult instruction class led by the Rev. Randy Boelter. A second adult class is available; its focus is on discussion of a specific book of the Bible or an aspect of Bible history.

Fellowship continues after 10:45 a.m. worship, weather permitting, with a picnic on the church's south lawn. A potluck lunch and beverages will be provided.

Christ the King Lutheran is located at 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Early worship is at 8:15 p.m., Sunday classes are at 9:30 a.m.

For more information on education or worship, call the office at (313) 884-5090.

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Unitarian Church welcomes interim pastor



Rev. Mitra Rahnema

The Rev. Mitra Rahnema serves as the interim minister at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, beginning with the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 service.

Rahnema is a lifelong Unitarian Universalist, who grew up in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Ventura, Calif. She attended Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Ore. where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in religious studies, with an emphasis on biblical interpretation. She remained in Portland for 10 years where she began a career in social research at the University of

Oregon, focusing on parenting, adolescent transitions, peer relationships and family development. Moving to the University of California, Berkeley, she worked on couple relationships in families with small children and attending Starr King School for the Ministry where she earned a Master of Divinity degree in 2007.

Rahnema was ordained in May 2008. She served Tapestry: A Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Mission Viejo, Calif. as interim minister.

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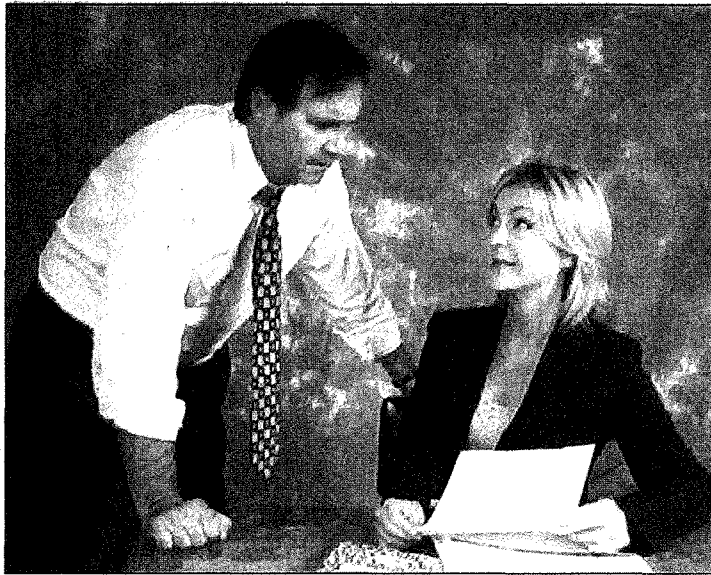
Comedy opens theater's 62nd season

Grosse Pointe Theatre begins its "Sparkling 62nd Season" with the adult comedy, "Sylvia" by A.R. Gurney.

This comedy, with adult content, is about a New York couple who move to Manhattan after 22 years in the suburbs. One day Greg, the husband, brings home an exciting new friend from the park named Sylvia, a wise-cracking dog. Sylvia causes a major disturbance in the lives of Greg and Kate. Her unique perspective makes for an unbroken string of laughs

from beginning to end.

Sylvia features Elizabeth Perkin Moen of Harper Woods in the title role. Rick Mason of St. Clair Shores plays Greg. Amy Kuta of Royal Oak takes the role of Kate. Nick Szczerba of Madison Heights plays Tom. Laura VerBeek of Grosse Pointe Park plays Phyllis, and Laura Bartell of Grosse Pointe Shores has the role of Leslie. Director is Bill McCarthy of Detroit with Cliff Levin of Detroit as producer and Arlene Schoener of St. Clair Shores



Rick Mason and Amy Kuta play the lead roles in Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "Sylvia."

as stage manager.

Others involved in the production are Rick and Justin Hawley from Grosse Pointe Woods as set designer and technical director; Jemma Allor of Mount Clemens and Nancy Bashara of Grosse Pointe Woods are doing properties.

Donna Di Sante of Grosse Pointe Farms is doing makeup and Ed Thomas of Center Line is on sound. Blair Arden of Detroit and Lisa Leszczynski of Grosse Pointe Woods will do the lighting. Vicky Urbanik of Harrison Township designed and made the costumes and D. J. Haska of Detroit is doing the set dressing.

The show opens at 2 p.m. Sunday Sept. 13. Other performances are at 8 p.m. September 17-19 and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, and at 8 p.m. Sept. 23-26.

Shows are performed in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are \$16. Discounts are available for group bookings.

Call the theater at (313) 881-

4004 or visit the ticket office, 315 Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday-Saturday.

The theater season continues with the musical, "The King and I" Nov. 8, 11-15, and 18-22.

The new year will be launched with the musical comedy, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," based on the comic strip Peanuts by Charles M. Schulz, with book, music and lyrics by Clark M. Gesner; Jan. 17, 21-24, 27-30.

In March, GPT presents "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)" by Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield. The wild and zany comedy runs March 7, 11-14, and 17-20.

The grand finale is the ultimate '50s rock'n'roll musical, "Grease," with book, music and lyrics by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey, which runs May 9, 13-16, and 19-23.

Theater-goers dine at theater buffets in the Fries Crystal Ballroom.

Tickets for the buffets are sold by the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Call (313) 881-7511.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



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Hearty zucchini bread can be served for breakfast or dessert.

Time tested recipe



3/4 cup salad oil
2 cups shredded zucchini
(loosely packed)
1 cup chopped walnuts or pecans, optional

In a medium bowl sift together the flour, cinnamon, baking soda, salt and baking powder and set aside. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Beat the eggs in a large bowl until frothy. Beat in the sugar, vanilla and salad oil.

Add in the dry ingredients, a bit at a time, beating until well blended. Fold in the shredded zucchini (and nuts, if you choose). Mix by hand until well combined. Turn the batter into two greased loaf pans and bake at 350 for about an hour, until the center of the loaf passes the clean knife test for doneness. Cool the loaves for 10 minutes then turn out of the pans to finish cooling.

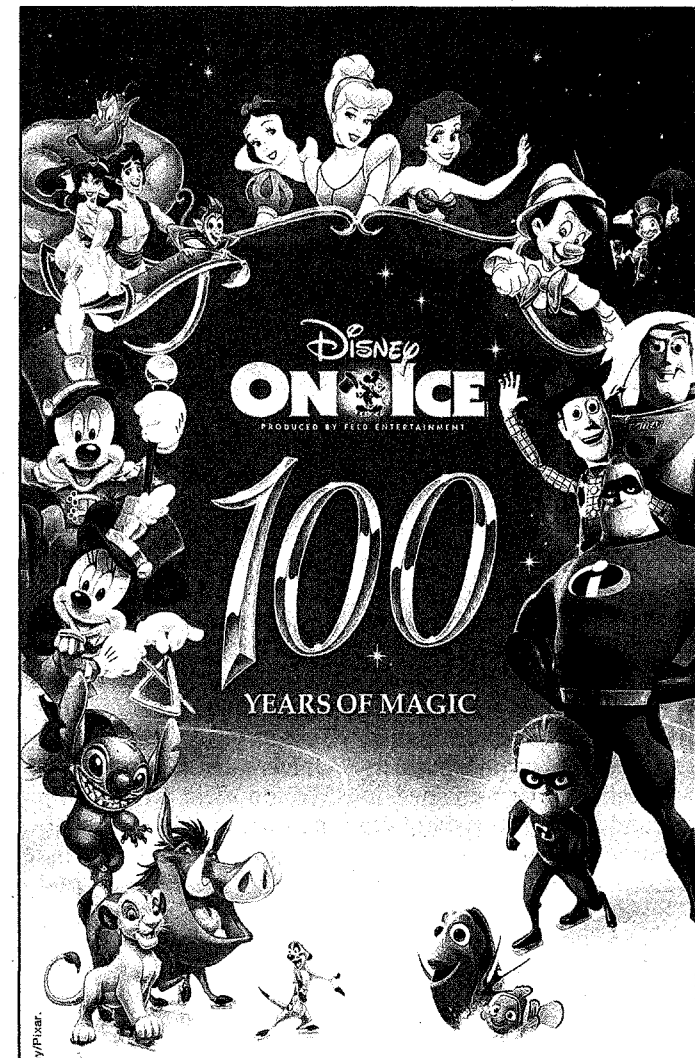
This hearty zucchini bread can be served for breakfast or even dessert when topped with some fresh whipped cream or cream cheese frosting. Add some fresh berries and you'll turn Marcia's zucchini bread into something really special.

Some of the best recipes out there are the ones that have been around forever (so it seems anyway). The following take on zucchini bread is no exception. I have baked and tasted many a zucchini bread and this one is tops. Marcia McCoy has been baking this moist and delicious bread for years and it is truly among the best I have ever sampled.

Zucchini season is here so grab some and go for it.

Marcia's Homemade Zucchini Bread

- 2 cups flour
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Another aardvark arrives at zoo

For the second time in six months, the Detroit Zoo is celebrating the birth of an aardvark.

Believed to be a male, the baby, named Erdferkel (German for aardvark), was born May 23 to Lily and Amybob. A DNA test will be conducted to con-

firm the sex. Erdferkel weighed 4.8 pounds and measured 24 inches long at birth.

Amani (Swahili for peace), a female, was born Dec. 8, 2008, to Rachaael and Mchimbaji.

Mature aardvarks can weigh from 90 to 145 pounds and grow 5 to 6 feet in length.

CHURCHES: Fall schedules begin

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First English fall schedule

Fall worship hours at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, begin on Sunday, Sept. 13, with traditional worship at 8:15 a.m. with Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays; contempo-

rary worship at 9:30 a.m. always offering Holy Communion; Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. inviting neighborhood children to participate in Rally Day.

Rummage sale

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts its annual rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, and Saturday, Sept. 19.

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SOCCER

Rivalry heats up as South edges North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The rivalry has new coaches and new players, but it still burns with a passion for nothing but victory. Last week, host Grosse

Pointe South tasted that victory, edging Grosse Pointe North 1-0 on a goal by Mike Temrowski midway through the second half. "This was a big win for us after we let last year's game get away from us," South first-year

head coach Stefan Harris said. "The rivalry game is always tough to win. North is a well coached team that played us tough. Both teams want to win this game, but luckily we won it."

"I told the boys to take how bad they feel now and not let that happen again," North first-year head coach Chris Alston said. "We're young and a little inexperienced, but our kids played hard and had a shot to win. That is what I want and these close losses will turn in our favor in time."

Harris said the No. 1 star was his goalkeeper, Adam Llorens, who made several spectacular saves to preserve the shutout.

"Our offense had some great chances to score, but Adam came up huge and was the best player on the field with his great saves," Harris said. "He was outstanding today."

The Blue Devils came out sluggish and it took a Llorens save to light the fire. After that remarkable save kept the game scoreless, the home team picked up the pace and fired several shots on net that could have found the mark.

With both coaches looking on with intensity at a fevered pitch, fans shouting and players on edge as the clock ticked under the 30-second mark, the Norsemen came down and had a shot on net after a scramble just feet in front of Llorens.



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Grosse Pointe South's Mike Temrowski, right, scored the game's lone goal to edge Grosse Pointe North and Anthony Selah, left.

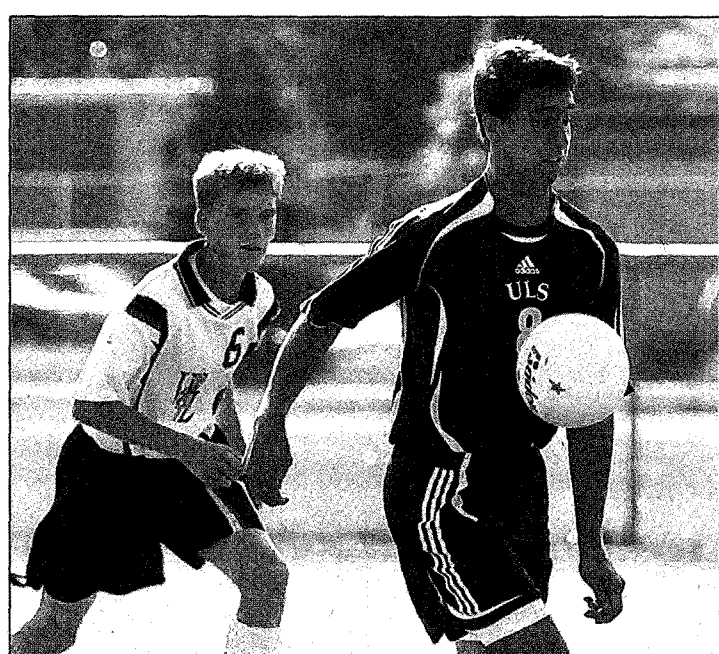


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Victorious

University Liggett School junior Joe Simon guides the ball down field during the Knights' 2-0 win over host Lutheran Westland last week. Seniors Dan Zukas and Noah Saganski scored the goals as the Knights opened play in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference (MIAC) with the tough road win. ULS is 2-0-1 overall.

Fortunately for the Blue Devils and unfortunately for the Norsemen, the shot went a foot above the net and the game remained 1-0.

In other action last week, South beat Sterling Heights Stevenson 1-0 on Henry Fildes' goal and lost 3-0 to top 10-

ranked Dearborn.

"The win over Stevenson was a big one for the guys," Harris said. "They play up a division and field a strong team. We played very well and our schedule didn't get any easier against ranked Dearborn with the best player in the state."

Grosse Pointe South stands 3-2 overall and North is 1-4-1.

"We're playing hard and the guys are learning my coaching style," Alston said. "The guys are realizing I put everything I have into coaching and I want them to be the best they can be. We're getting to that point."

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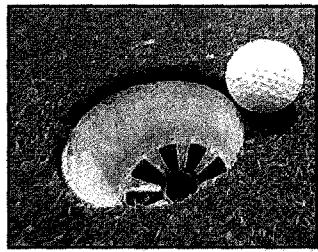
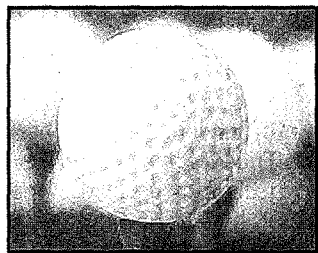
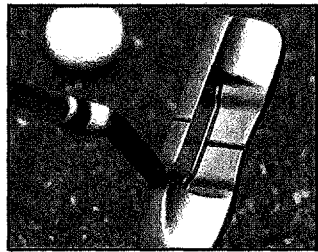
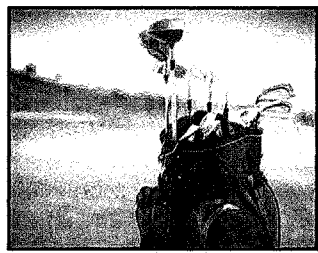
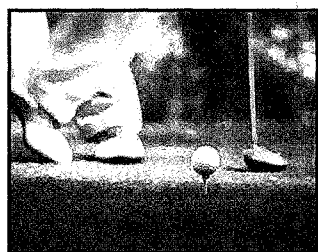
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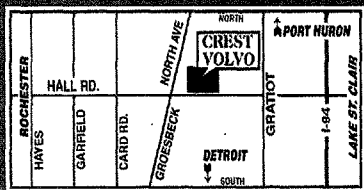
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Football

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils squash Roseville in MAC Blue

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

In front of a packed house Sept. 3, host Grosse Pointe South trounced Macomb Area Conference Blue foe Roseville, 35-7, and moved to 2-0 overall and 1-0 in the division.

Much like the team's opening game victory over L'Anse Creuse, South used a blend of power, talent and experience to upend the Panthers.

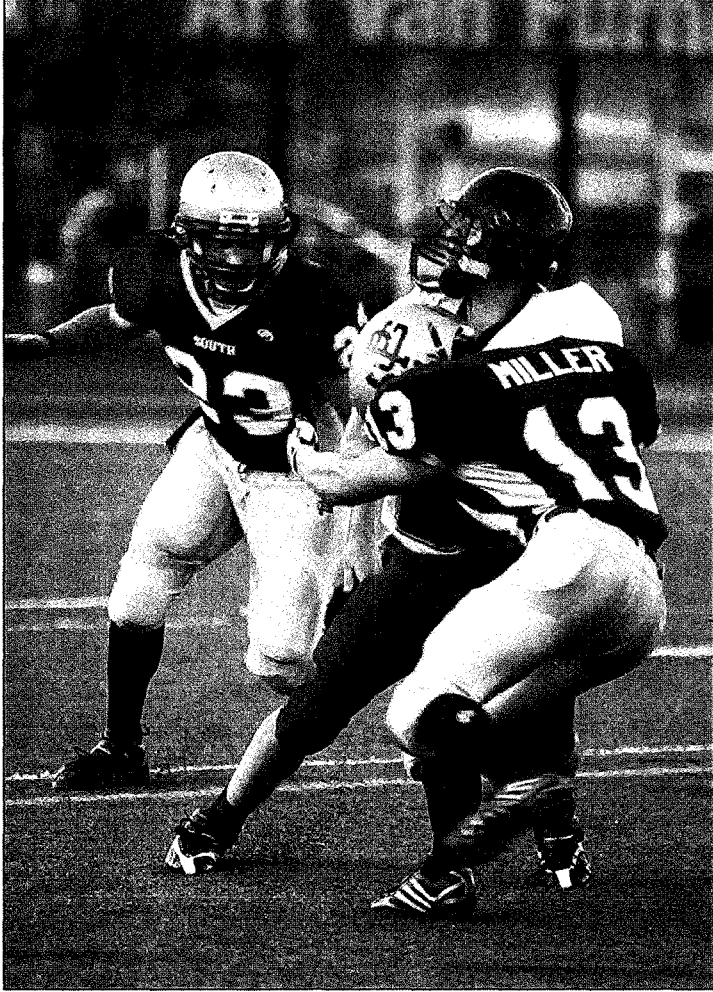
"We've got a lot of experience," Blue Devils' head coach Tim Brandon explained. "And we've got a lot of very talented players, too."

This combination is certainly helpful in the overall success of any team, and a big part of the reason why South is among a short list of favorites in the MAC Blue. That said, the team still has to stay focused and play well every week.

"It's not going to be easy," Brandon said. "We're going to have to get out there and play hard and play well."

The Panthers put this theory to the test in the first quarter, scoring on a 77-yard run by Charlie Koch, taking a 7-0 lead.

South's experience, however, kept the squad calm, and it responded with a 65-yard scoring drive of its own, capped by a 32-yard touchdown scamper by senior tailback Alexander Koski, who finished with 19 carries for 120 yards. With the score knotted 7-7 in the second quarter, a Roseville fumble set up another South touchdown run - this one a two-yard score by Spencer Ray.



Ryan Miller crushes a Roseville runner during the first half of the Blue Devils' home opener.

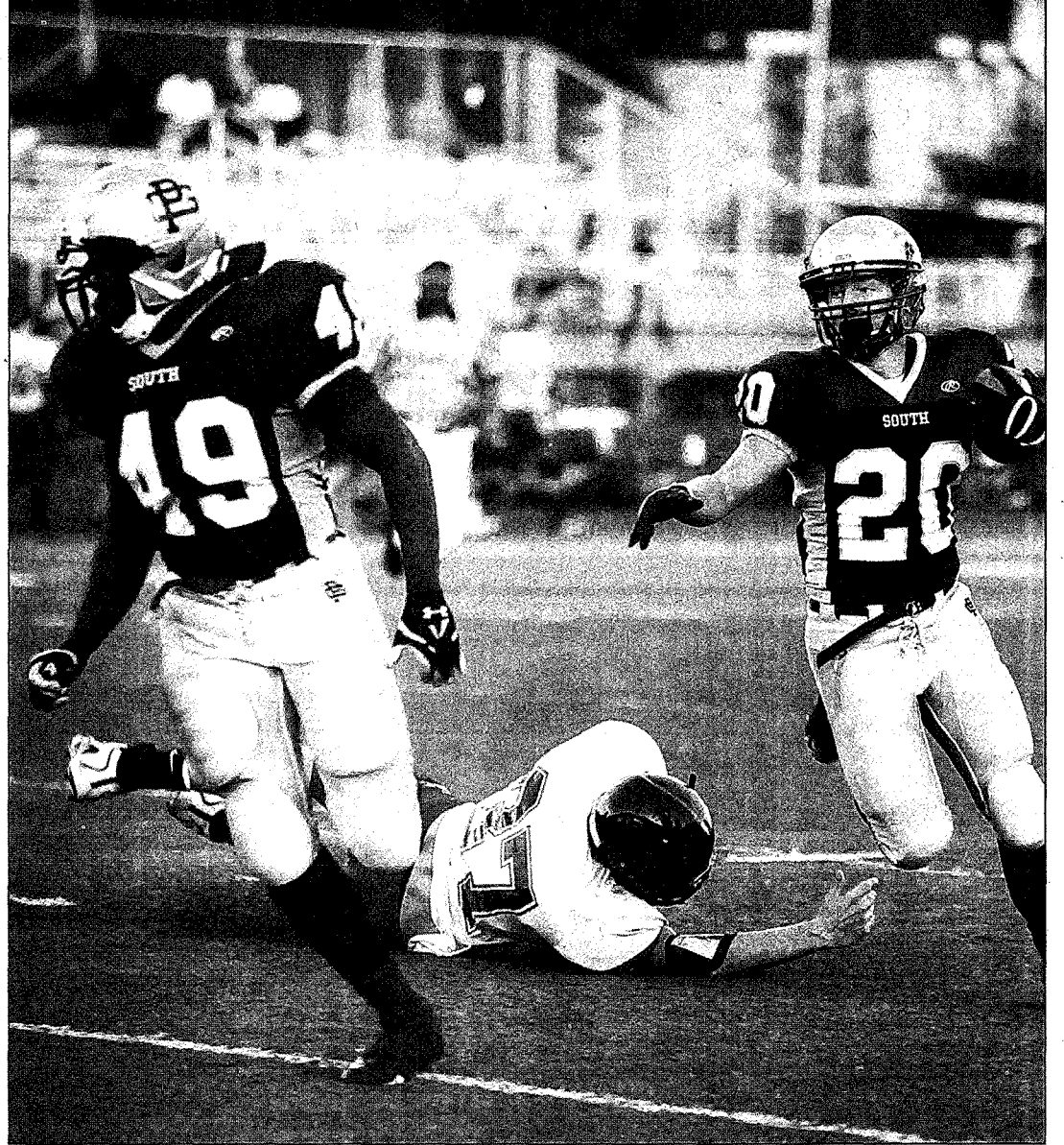
The Blue Devils tacked on another seven points in the closing minutes of the first half when quarterback Patrick Kennedy dove into the end zone from 3 yards out.

The 21-7 halftime lead was more than enough for the Blue Devils, who added a pair of fourth-quarter touchdowns for good measure. The first was an

11-yard run by Koski and the second was by Andrew Pytel.

"They are a very good football team," Panthers coach Melvin Richendollar said. "They have size and speed and experience. They are a very good team."

The Blue Devils will need to utilize all the speed, size and experience they can muster



Alex Koski, No. 20, eludes one would-be tackler and lead blocker, Stan Scott, No. 49, during the Grosse Pointe South's division opener against Roseville.

during its week No. 3 showdown with defending MAC Blue champion Sterling Heights.

"It's a big game for us,"

Brandon said. "They're bringing a lot of kids back and they're the defending division champions. I like our team though and what we're doing

now. Right now, all facets of our team are clicking."

Sterling Heights enters the game against South at 1-1 overall and 1-0 in the Blue.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Defense comes up big in MAC White opener

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The biggest play of last weeks division opener between Grosse Pointe North and host L'Anse Creuse North was made by the punter.

With the Norsemen clinging to a 15-8 lead late in the fourth quarter, the Crusaders forced a punt.

The hike sailed over punter James Guest's head and rolled to the Norsemen's 10-yard line.

Guest had the frame of mind to race back, collect himself in a split second with players trying to get the ball and tackle him, and get off a punt that landed on the home team's side of the 50-yard line.

Seven plays later, senior Ryan Gregory intercepted a pass that sealed the Norsemen's 15-8 win in the Macomb Area Conference White Division opener for both schools.

"That was a great play on Guest's part," North head coach Frank Sumbera said. "Guest is a great athlete and he maintained his composure and got off a great punt."

"It helped us win the game." Despite having too many turnovers and penalties, Sumbera was happy to board the team bus with a victory.

"It wasn't pretty, but a win is a win," he said. "More important, we're 1-0 in the White Division."

The Norsemen's defense came up big, limiting the Crusaders to less than 70 yards of total offense. In addition to Gregory's interception, senior Troy Williams picked off a pass and senior Desmond Malone recovered a fumble.

The rest of the Norsemen's defensive group, junior Nolan Rozich, senior Ryan Jones, senior Mike Tolliver, senior Greg Cox, junior Donovan Strong, junior Je'Juan Henderson, se-

nior Jacob Simon and junior Jadon Cook, were all over the field, limiting the home team's offense to very little productivity.

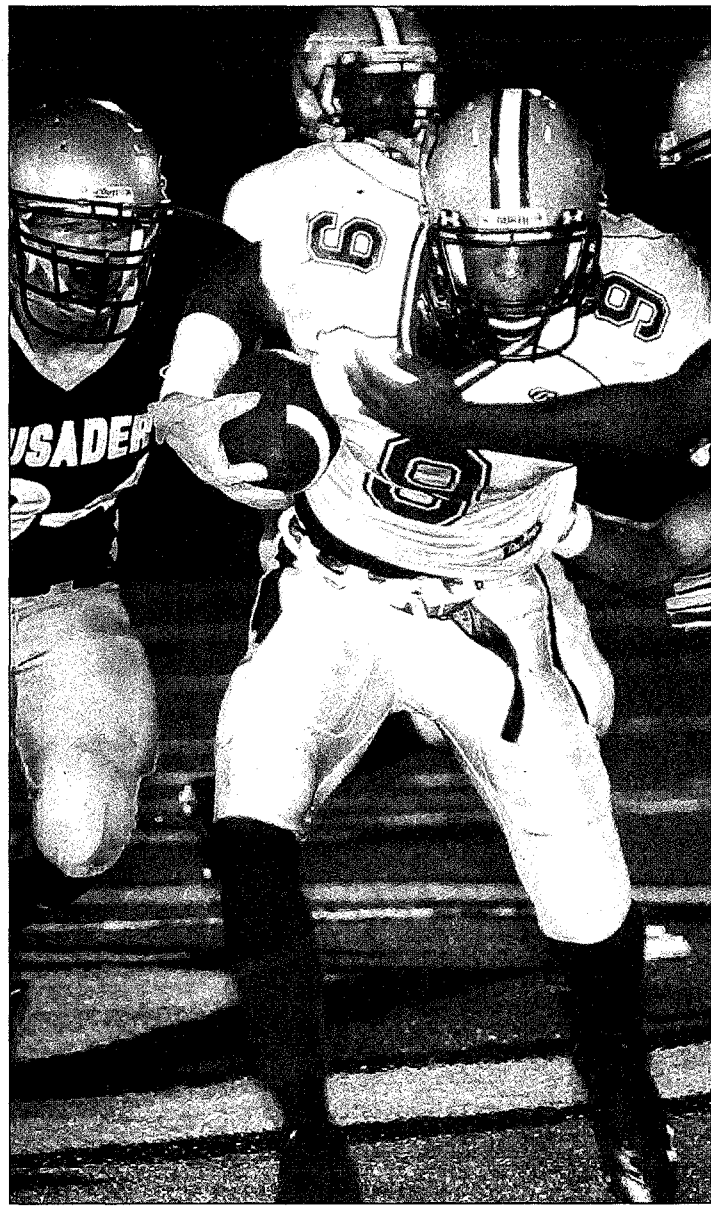
"Our defense and special teams were outstanding tonight," Sumbera said. "They couldn't get anything going because our guys dominated the play."

"Our tough defense allowed our offense to grind away the yardage and maintain possession, especially in the second half."

"However, we have to do a better job of holding on to the ball and committing fewer turnovers. We gave them their eight points."

The Crusaders recovered a fumble at North's 11-yard line. Three plays later the Crusaders scored and added a two-point conversion off a botched extra-point attempt.

The Norsemen tied the game just before the first half ended



Senior Troy Williams scored a touchdown and ran in a two-point conversion to help Grosse Pointe North beat L'Anse Creuse North.

when senior running back Tommie Watkins scored on a five-yard run. Williams scored the two-point conversion to tie the game 8-8 at the half.

After a mistake-filled opening half, Sumbera put the offense in the controls of Watkins, Williams and the line, which held on to the ball for 80 percent of the second half.

Early in the fourth quarter, Williams scored on a three-yard run and senior Steven Wiltshire added the extra point to account for the final score.

"It was a tough game, but we came out with a big win to even our record," Sumbera said. "We will get back to practice and get ready for our home opener."

Watkins was a workhorse, carrying the ball 37 times for 202 yards and one touchdown,

while Williams had 49 yards rushing on 13 carries with one touchdown and one two-point conversion.

Senior quarterback A.J. Brooks completed only one pass, but two of his other four passes were perfect passes dropped in the end zone.

"We have some work to do and we have to give Tommie and Troy a lot of credit for controlling the ball in that second half," Sumbera said.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 1-0 in the MAC White Division and 1-1 overall.

In the other White Division games, title favorite Warren Mott beat Utica 49-19 and Warren Cousino defeated Anchor Bay 27-21.

Next for the Norsemen is their home opener at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, against Utica.

U.L.S.

Early scores hurt

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Before a blink of an eye, University Liggett School's football team trailed host Adrian Madison High School 14-0.

The Trojans scored on the opening kickoff and on the ensuing play when the Knights fumbled the return that bounced into the end zone.

The home team recovered that, too, and just like that it was 14-0. When the dust settled, the Knights lost 55-14.

"We were ready to go and our game plan was good, but to fall behind 14-0 before we even run a play was too much to overcome," head coach Dan Cimini said. "We made too many mistakes in that first half, just like the game before."

The Knights couldn't get the wheels moving in the opening half, but in the final two quarters, freshman quarterback Nate Gaggin threw a touchdown pass to freshman Eric Ewing and senior tailback Jake Goldberg ran 74 yards for a score.

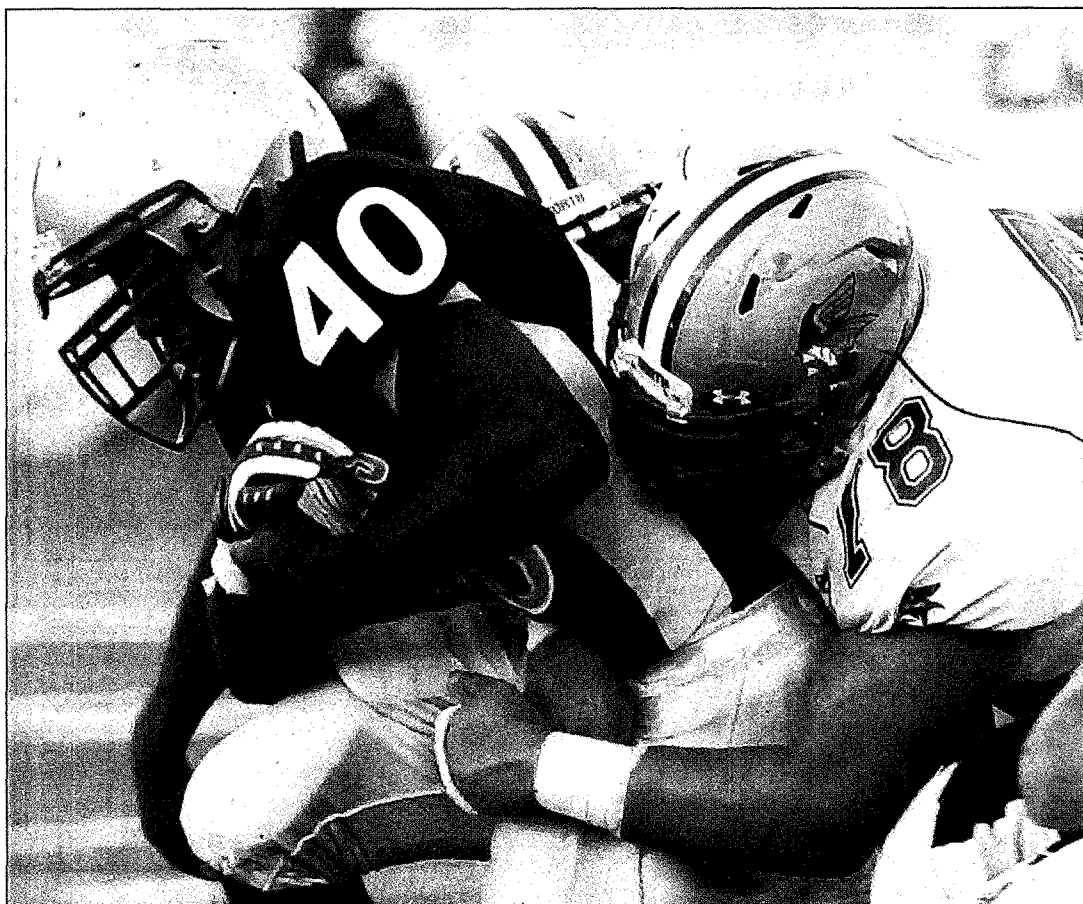
"We moved the ball much better and played them even in the second half," Cimini said. "I saw some great things from the guys in the second half that I know will carry over to our next game."

"We have to tackle a lot better, but that will come in practice this week. Despite the loss, the guys were already talking about plays we can run in our next game."

Goldberg rushed for 160 yards as the Knights' featured back and Gaggin looked more comfortable in the pocket during the final 24 minutes of play.

The loss dropped ULS to 0-2 overall.

Next up is a 1 p.m. home game Saturday, Sept. 12, against Southfield Christian. It is the Knights' Michigan Independent Athletic Conference opener.



Grosse Pointe North's defense led the way, stuffing L'Anse Creuse North with the help of senior Mike Tolliver and company.

Boys tennis

RIVALRY

South gets best of city rival Knights

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South beat city rival University Liggett School 7-1 last week in a non-league match at Elworthy Field.

In the best match of the afternoon, South's John Willard

outlasted Skippy Faber at No. 1 singles, winning 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

"I told John to be patient and hang in there, which he did after losing that first set," South head coach Tom Berschback said. "It was a great match."

"Skippy gave it his best shot and came up a little short," ULS head coach Chuck Wright

said. "He should keep his head high because he played one heck of a match, like the rest of our kids did against a talented South team."

In the third set, Faber won the first game before Willard rallied to take the next five to take a commanding 5-1 advantage.

Faber regrouped and won the next two games to push the final set to a ninth game, which Willard won with a forehand winner.

The Blue Devils won all four singles matches as Matt Keane beat Ian Quinlan 6-0, 6-1; Brendan Petz defeated Austin Petitpren 6-2, 7-5; and Matt Clune beat Boris Canzano 6-1, 6-1.

The Knights earned a win at No. 3 doubles as Robert Stanley and Garrett Mallires beat Max Cook and Brandon Grams 7-6 (7-2), 6-4.

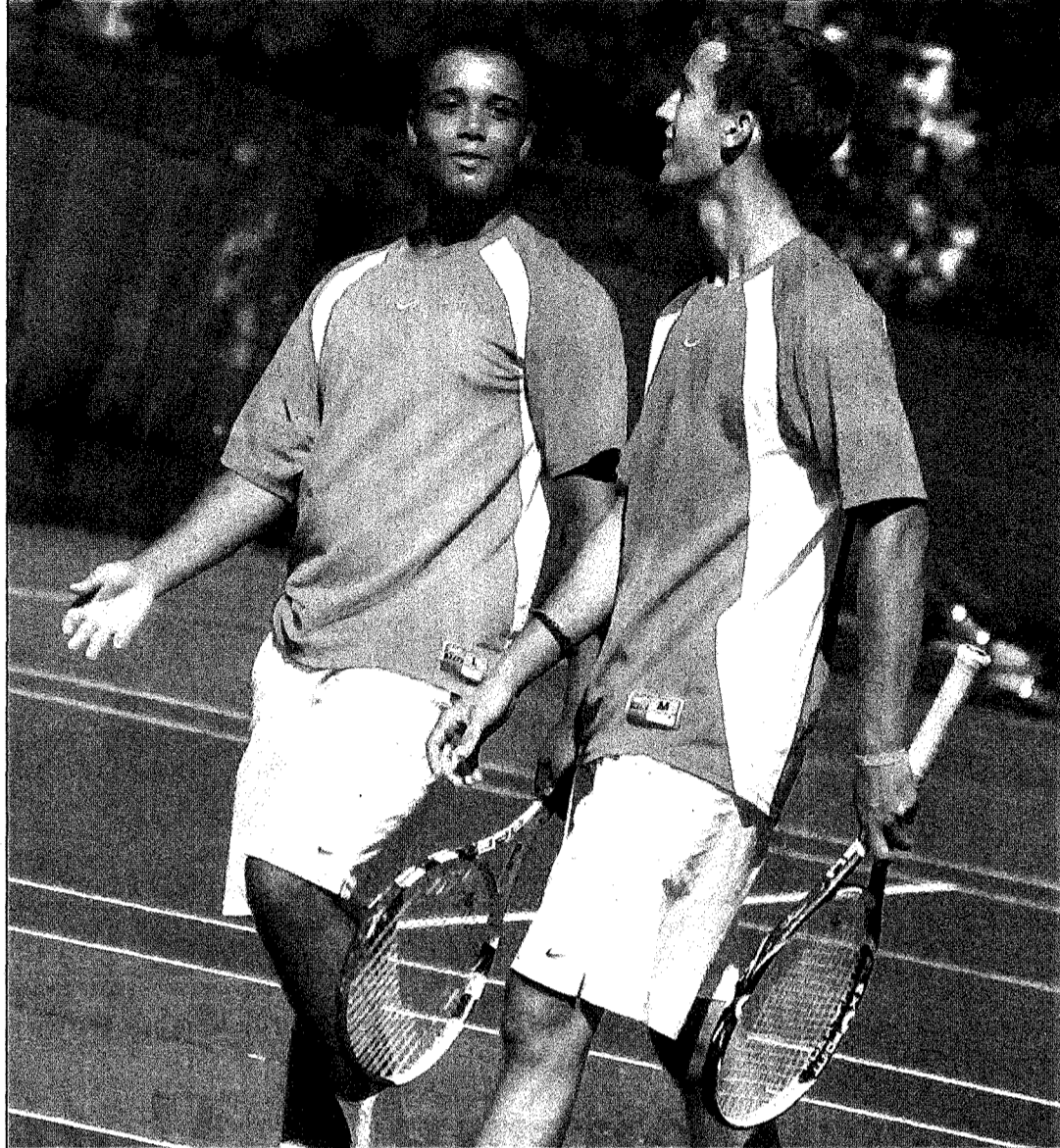
At No. 1 doubles, South's Rob Montgomery and Charlie Miller beat Garrett Redding and Alejandro Blake 6-3, 6-1 and at No. 2 doubles, Wes Kalogeridis and Max Galvin beat George Park and Matt Stanley 6-0, 6-1.

In the final doubles match, Max Bobinski and Alex Padilla beat Alec Petitpren and Ian Petz 6-1, 6-1.

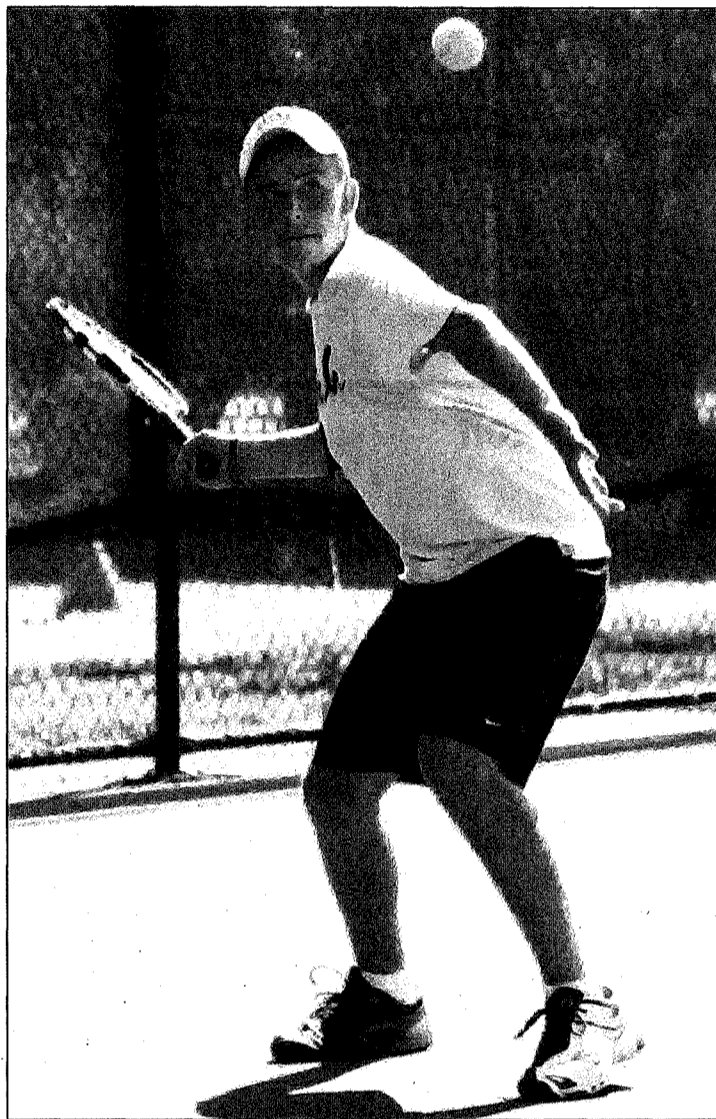
"This is great competition for our kids and it makes them better players down the road," Wright said.

In other action last week, ULS finished third in the East Grand Rapids Invitational. The host team won, followed by Spring Lake, ULS and Whitehall.

"We tied Whitehall, but beat them 5-3 in head-to-head matches, so we won the tiebreak to take third," Wright



University Liggett School's double team of Alejandro Blake, left, and Garrett Redding played hard, but lost to South.



PHOTOS BY DANA KAISER

South's John Willard played the best match of the afternoon against Skippy Faber at No. 1 singles, winning in three tough sets.

said. "It was a tough tournament and our kids played some nice tennis."

Leading the Knights were Blake and Redding at No. 1 doubles, winning 2-of-3 matches.

Others who won at match were Robert Stanley and Mallires at No. 3 doubles and

Alec Petitpren and Petz at No. 4 doubles.

Faber and Quinlan also won 1-of-3 matches at No. 1 and No. 2 singles.

South also played a Macomb Area Conference Red Division match against Port Huron Northern, winning 7-1.

"We played very well against the only team to beat us twice in the division during my tenure," Berschback said. "Northern is a little down this season, but our kids played very well."

South is 1-0 in the MAC Red Division and 3-1 overall; ULS is 2-1 overall.

Girls field hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights win again

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Senior Paige Counsman scored two goals to lead the University Liggett School girls field hockey team to a 4-1 win over East Grand Rapids last week.

"It was a long bus ride, but overall it was nice experience for the girls," head coach Tamara Fobare said. "The

game was played a little faster since East Grand Rapids has turf. It took a while for the girls to get used to it, but once they did they were fine."

Keegin Fisher and Annalisa Provenzano also tallied for the Knights, which led 2-1 at half-time.

Goalie Liz Smith made six saves, including a breakaway. ULS improved to 2-0 overall.

TENNIS

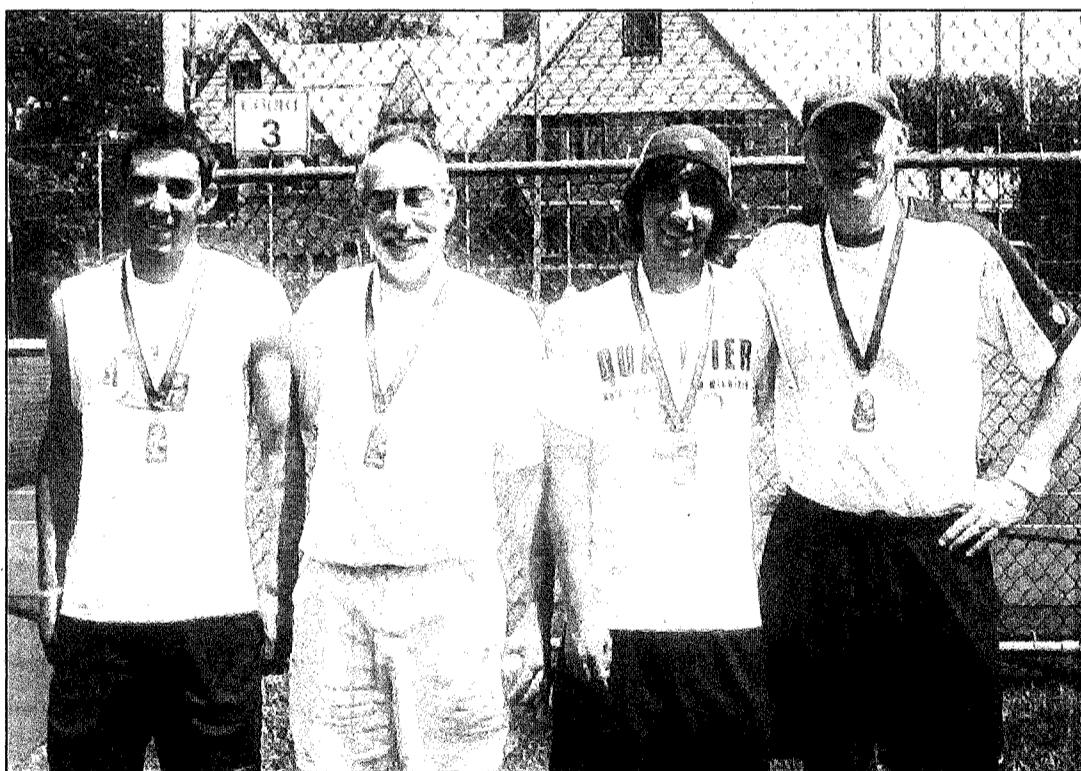
Tennis champs

Windmille Pointe Park hosted its annual tennis tournament Aug. 13 to Aug. 16 with the support of Harper Sports Shop,

Buciemis in the Park, Irish Coffee and the Atwater Block Brewery. Below is a list of the winners and runner-up in each flight. Men's singles "A"

Division: winner, Alex Parker; runner-up, Jim Beardslee.

Men's singles "B" Division: winner, Drew Costakis; runner-up, Kurt Bekowies. Women's doubles: winner, Stacy Brown and Jane Carson; runner-up, Jennifer Blanzly and Kim Duchateau. Mixed doubles: winner, Gary Hoslet and Joanne Petz; runner-up, Jennifer Blanzly and Rick Albo. Parent/child: winner, John Halso and Matt Halso; runner-up, Kevin Daudlin and Seany O'Donnell-Daudlin. Pictured above are, from left, Sean O'Donnell-Daudlin, Kevin Daudlin, Matt Halso and John Halso.



GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen drop two

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' field hockey team is 0-2 out of the gate, losing 5-0 to Ann Arbor Pioneer and 1-0 to Novi.

"We fought a tough state champ team, holding Pioneer to only one in the second half," head coach Jen Nadeau said.

Junior goalkeeper Nicole Strickland denied several corners and made two key saves.

Junior Katie Case had three shots that just missed and se-

niors Lindsay Jara, Kelly Fox and Amanda Gay are solidifying the midfield.

G.P. SOUTH

Two more shutouts

The Grosse Pointe South girls' field hockey team posted back-to-back shutouts last week, beating Birmingham Detroit Country Day 2-0 and Farmington Hills Mercy 1-0.

In the Blue Devils' three games this season, senior goalkeeper Maggie Miller has three shutouts.

—Bob St. John

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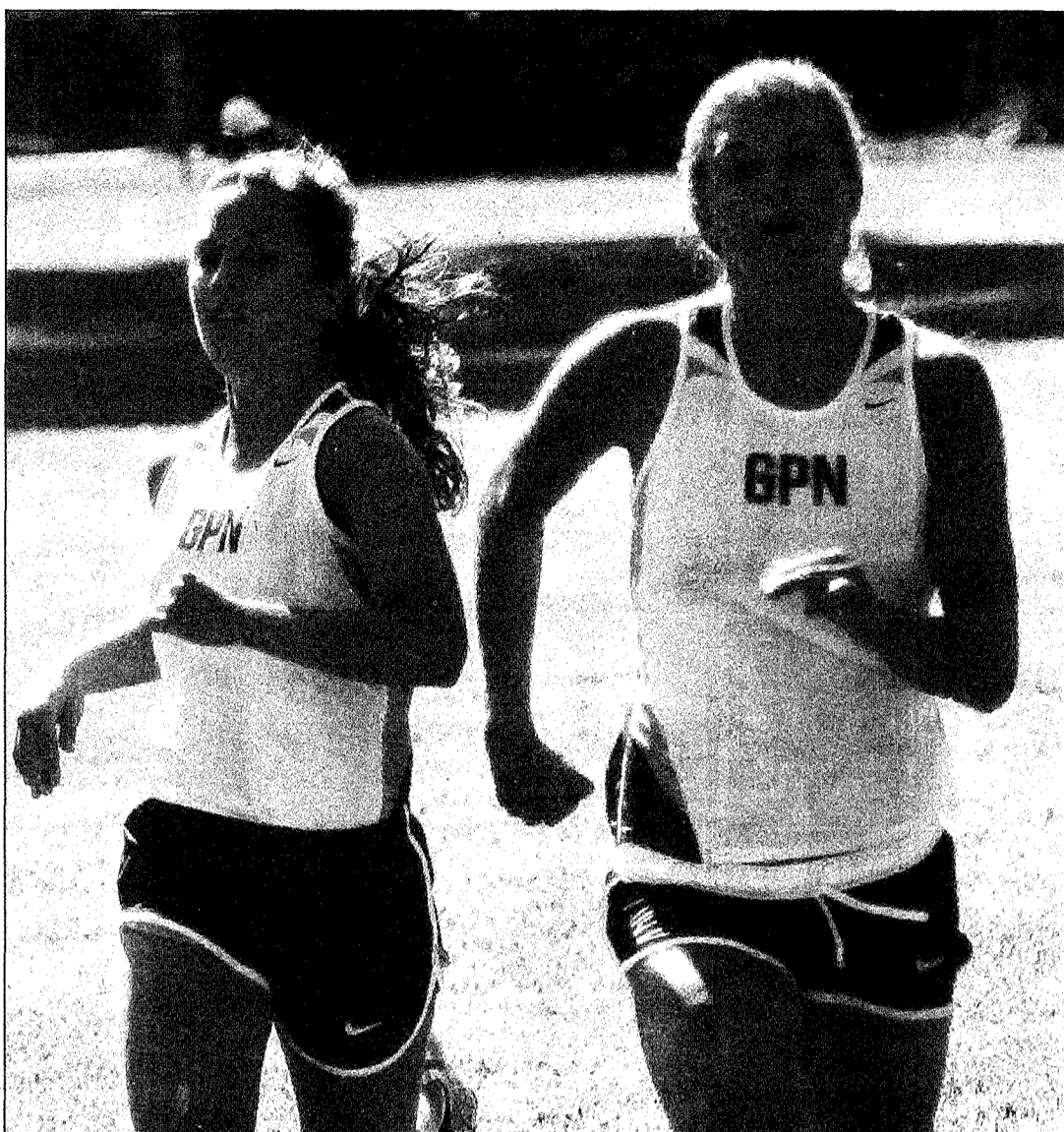


PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT COOPER

Grosse Pointe North's Kamille Hamzey, left, and Lindsay Brown helped the team beat Warren Mott last week.

Norsemen run by Mott

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' cross-country team beat Warren Mott 20-42 last week, improving to 1-0 in dual meets.

North head coach Scott Cooper went head-to-head against former teammate and long-time Mott head coach Mark Urquhart.

"We have a tradition of racing each other every year at the Hill for old time's sake," Cooper said. "I also have two runners this year of former teammates, as well."

Kristina Kamm, whose father, John, was a teammate of Coopers, as well as Kit Maher, whose mother, Kelly Louwers, was another teammate of Coopers.

As for the race, the Norsemen's leading runner, Kailey Sickmiller, missed it

due to a sore ankle.

However, the Norsemen picked up the pace as Cristina Bruno, Lindsay Brown, Kamille Hamzey, Katy VanEgmond, Zyana Wright-Servais, Rachel Gimpert and Haley Abessinio.

"Bruno ran a great race catching up to and challenging Mott's No. 1 runner," Cooper said. "She passed her and took over control of the race with a mile to go. She gave her all but got out kicked the last 800 meters. It was great to see Bruno challenging like that."

"Brown and Hamzey keep pushing together and keep pushing up the ranks. Seeing seniors make a challenge to be top runners is always great to see. You don't always see seniors going out on top all the time, but Hamzey and Brown seem determined to make a name for themselves before leaving GPN."

"VanEgmond, Wright Servais and Gimpert are all coming on and making a push to the front. This is exactly what we need. We have seven strong runners, none of which are content on being just the 7th runner. They all want a shot at the top spots and this will make our team more competitive in the long run."

Cooper said two surprises were Haley Abessinio and Christina Embree, who have been back further in the pack this season at the start, but both moved up many spots to finish up in the varsity spots, finishing seventh and eighth, respectively.

"I see a lot of promise in both these veteran runners and expect them to challenge the top seven the rest of the season," Cooper said. "Steffi Shenouda and Kelsey Richards are also stepping up and show a lot of promise."

GROSSE POINTE NORTH BOYS

Norsemen run in new event at Oakland U.

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' cross-country team ran at the new Oakland University Golden Grizzly Invitational on the college campus.

"It was a brand new event and it ran pretty well," head coach Dan Quinn said. "It wasn't too hilly, but it was tough enough to give the guys a good workout."

Kyle Lacey was the Norsemen's top runner, posting a time of 17:32 to finish 19th. Other finishers for the

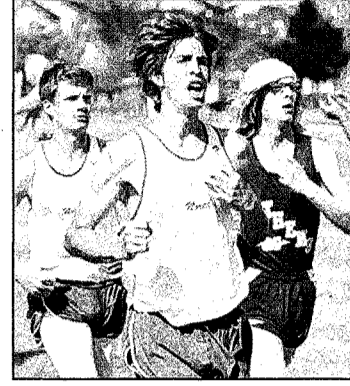


PHOTO COURTESY OF DAN QUINN

Grosse Pointe North's Forrest Carmer, front, and Ryan Seago, left, were two of the Norsemen's top performers.

Norsemen were Forrest Carmer at 18:17; Mike Seago at 18:22; Ryan Seago at 18:24; David Padalino at 18:46; Spencer Schott at 18:58; and Danny Ciaravino at 19:13.

"We will definitely go back next year," Quinn said. "This event gave our runners a good opportunity to run on a course they might see several more times this fall. My captains did a nice job leading the way and each of the four finished with nice times."

Next for the team is the Algonac Invitational Saturday, Sept. 12.

Girls golf

RIVALRY

Squads suffer division defeats

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls golf team won another easy match last week, beating Romeo 169-237 at Heather

Hills Golf Club.

Senior Carey Farley and sophomore Ella Pandy each shot a 38 to lead the Blue Devils, which improved to 2-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

In other league action, the Blue Devils lost twice to division-leading Port Huron Northern, while Grosse Pointe North also dropped its match to Northern, losing 171-225 to fall to 0-3 in the Red Division.

BASKETBALL

Richards' slates hoop program

Man-to-man defense has become the defense of choice for high performing AAU teams.

This fact has placed a premium on players who can beat their opponents in one-on-one matchups. This led Midwest Athletics to team up with Kevin Richards, Grosse Pointe South girls varsity basketball head coach, to design a training program to teach players the specific techniques that the best players employ on the offensive end and when to use them.

The clinic starts Monday, Sept. 28, and runs every Monday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Basketball City on Groesbeck in Roseville.

The intense sessions are for the serious player who wants

to elevate their game. This is a multi-week program that focuses purely on offensive skills.

Each session will focus exclusively on critical offensive skills, including shooting arch, which is the No. 1 factor in shooting percentage differences between players shooting from the same spot. Players with greater arch consistently get off more shots and realize a higher percentage of makes and produce more consistent rebounds on the shots they miss. Players will work on learning the keys to developing and repeating consistent high performance arch.

Offensive rebounding is the area where players can make the greatest improvements. The majority of shots are missed, creating the opportunities for players who understand floor position and rebounding angles. Offensive rebounds create scoring opportunities in high percentage

shot locations at times when the defense is out of position.

"We will train players how to react," Richards said. "Rebounding is a learned skill and an effort skill it doesn't come natural. Young AAU players consistently fail to create enough separation to be effective offensively. By focusing on separation as it relates to the critical skills outlined above our program creates better players and more effective team performance."

About Midwest Athletics

Midwest Athletics was founded in 2006 with one goal, "Provide the best run youth basketball events in the country." Midwest prides itself on running professional well organized events that are designed with the players, parents, and coaches in mind.

For more information, visit mwabasketball.com/training or call (313) 580-0351.

LACROSSE

Brubaker takes offer

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Ken Brubaker has accepted the position of assistant coach - goalies at Western Michigan University, a member of the men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association.

The MCLA is a national organization of non-varsity college lacrosse programs.

WMU is also a member Central Collegiate Lacrosse Association (CCLA) and plays teams such University of Michigan and Michigan State. More info on the CCLA can be seen at cclax.org.

"I am extremely excited to take on the challenge of working with college level players," Brubaker said. "I am confident my program will help the goaltenders at WMU and make them better."

"They have two excellent goaltenders returning and we will see a few new ones at tryouts, I am certain."

"I am equally excited to work with Head Coach Owen Blank, who has a vast understanding of the sport. Being a dedicated student of the game, I cannot express how grateful I am to be on the sideline with such a knowledgeable lacrosse coach."

WMU open tryouts are being

held Sept. 16-18 in Kalamazoo. Brubaker met Blank through Champion Lacrosse Men's Recreation leagues. They share a seat on the board of directors for US Lacrosse Michigan Chapter.

During the past decade, Brubaker has run numerous volunteer goalie clinics, as far away as Sarasota, Fla. He has trained players and goalies at all levels in Michigan since 2001. He recently teamed up with all-star goaltender Greg Catrano for a three-day clinic at All-American lacrosse in Pontiac.

Brubaker is also a grand masters (over 45) travel team player and plays goal locally year round in men's recreational leagues. He was the team Michigan Masters goalie at the World Lacrosse Festival held in London, Ontario in 2006.

Brubaker has been deeply involved in Grosse Pointe lacrosse since 2001. He has coached with the Grosse Pointe Lacrosse Association and run the GP Youth program through the Neighborhood Club since 2003.

He also founded GP Select Lacrosse, Grosse Pointe's summer varsity travel program in 2006.

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VOLLEYBALL



Sweet memories

Above, the See Ya Later Alligators, led by captain Brette Carroll, took first place for the second year in a row in the Grosse Pointe Park Volleyball Recreational League. They played the championship match Aug. 12 at Windmill Pointe Park and they're the youngest squad in the league. Pictured from left are Andrew Tignanelli, Maggie Tignanelli, Patrick LaRiviere, Ann Stavale, Brette Carroll, Garret Cox and Cheryl Carroll. Below, members of the Summer Wolves played in the Park's Competitive League for the 20th straight season. They won a pivotal third game to come out on top. Pictured from left are Dave Moceri, Erika Gaitley, Jennifer Gaitley, Kate Graham McNeil, Kevin Daudlin, Mary O'Donnell-Daudlin, Ann Conlan, Jim O'Donnell and Marcis Jansons. Nikki Stratelak and Marty McMillan are not pictured.



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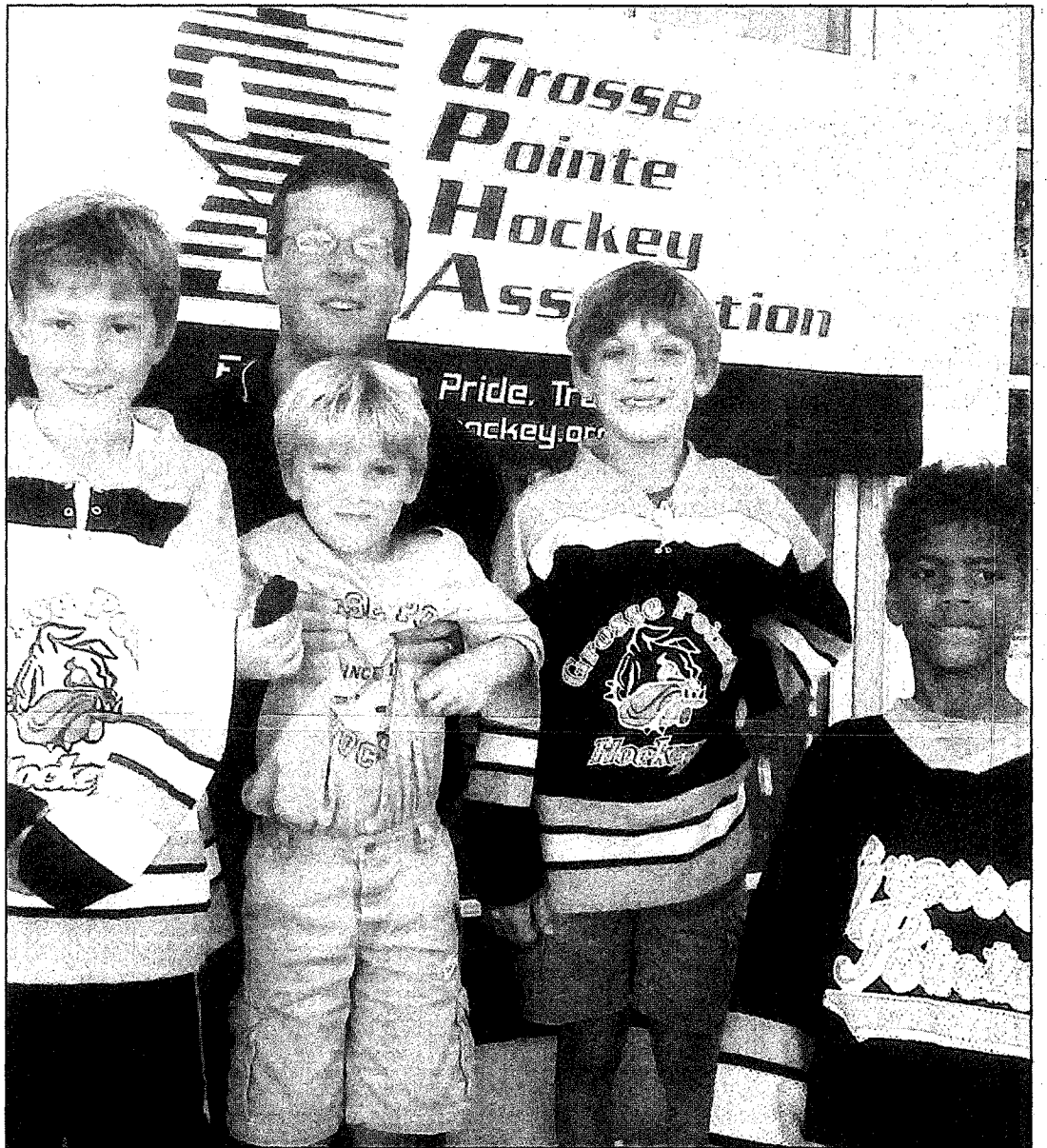


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GPHA lends a hand

GPHA players supported the local "Racing for Kids" events last week as more than 30 skaters participated in the event and could be seen lugging around supplies, setting up the events and handing out complimentary water. Bobby Mitchell, president of the GPHA, said, "It is important for the kids to get involved in the community. These kids are fortunate to be able to play hockey and we are proud that they could assist in the event." Registration for the 2009 season has begun and team will be formed in a couple of weeks. It is not too late to sign up. Questions or registrations can be addressed on the GPHA web site at gphockey.org. Pictured above are, from left, Ryan and Spencer Warezak, Michael Mitchell, Jerry Bourke and friend Mickey Kuchta.



LITTLE LEAGUE



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Tournament champs

The Grosse Pointe Park 10-year-old Tournament Team recently won the BPA Lake Orion Baseball Tournament with a perfect 4-0 record. The squad outscored the opposition 28-3, beating teams from Lake Orion, Wayne and Brandon. Team members are, first row from left, Al Martinez, Chris Cassidy, Brad Thompson, Howie Crane, Randy Reno and Tyler Moyer; second row from left, Rob Martinez, Jackson Walkowiak, Charlie Gordon and Noah Morris; and third row from left, manager Matt Reno, coach Chris Gordon, coach Kevin Cassidy, coach Matthew Reno, coach Ted Morris and scorekeeper Mark Gordon. Geron Gosselin is not pictured.

BASEBALL

Coaches offer instruction

Baseball players of any age can receive personal instruction on all aspects of the game from Grosse Pointe South's baseball coaches who are available for inside or outside instruction throughout the year. Players may choose to have one or more coaches at a time and can focus on hitting, pitch-

ing, fielding, catching, or any specific element of the game they prefer. "We will continue to run the camps we have for years at South in January and March, and at Defer in June," said South varsity baseball head coach Dan Griesbaum. "Now, we are responding to the de-

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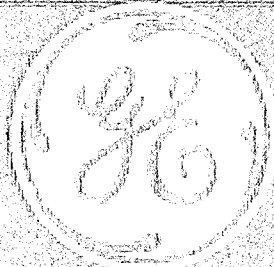
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