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FRIDAY, NOV. 6

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club's annual meeting is 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park Boathouse. The agenda includes voting on a new board. Dinner and refreshments start at 6:30 p.m. Babysitting is available during the meeting. New members are welcome. For more information, contact Nadine Pendolino at (313) 882-8595.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7

◆ Soles4Soles brand ambassadors Silvana and Allan Clark host a shoe drive from noon to 3 p.m. at Foot Solutions, 21213 Harper, St. Clair Shores. Bring in gently worn shoes and receive a \$10 off any shoe purchase or \$50 off any shoe or custom orthotic purchase. Shoes go to Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac.

SUNDAY, NOV. 8

◆ The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra kicks off its 57th season at 7 p.m. at University Liggett School. Liggett students Laura Stanley and Ai Yamasaki are featured.
 ◆ Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts "Just Your Cup of Tea: Murder Takes a Road Trip" from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Authors Mardi Link, Elizabeth Nuzzelli and Aaron Stander are the speakers. Tickets cost \$30. For reservations, call (313) 343-2074. Beverages, sandwiches and scones are served.

MONDAY, NOV. 9

◆ Grosse Pointe Park City Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.
 ◆ Children 2 to 5 years old and their parents may join Pajama-Rama story time from 7 to 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods Story Time Room. A card number is required for admission.

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

◆ Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Business Expo begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. To register, call (313) 881-4722.

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Renewals pass

Schools receive unanimous support of Pointes, Harper Woods

By Amy Salvagno
 Staff Writer

Anticipation from Grosse Pointe school officials has settled as voters elected Tuesday to renew two operating millages, which together make up 25 percent of the district's funding.

"I think it speaks to people's interest in the issues in front of them. Most (Grosse Pointe) communities did not have a long ballot, so folks coming out to support the school district and continue their investment in the district is gratifying when you look at what it means for students and their

opportunities here," said Superintendent Suzanne Klein. "We're tremendously grateful for people's willingness to work on the millage campaign and people's interest as presentations were made and folks wanting information about it. I'm very pleased by the results because the money raised stays in Grosse Pointe and benefits our students."

"The key message here is we know we need to spend these funds wisely and well and make sound decisions on the hallmarks of this community, which are obviously things folks feel are very important." One proposal called for the

continuation of the operating millage, which encompasses the hold harmless millage and the non-homestead millage. The other was for the continuation of the sinking fund millage, which generates approximately \$3 million per year, depending on the rise and fall of total taxable value in the district. The fund is solely for building improvements and repairs. According to school officials, the five-year operating millage accounts for 23 percent of the school system's general fund operating budget — or about \$22 million.

In Grosse Pointe Shores, 466 registered voters approved the operating millage and 389 voters approved the sinking fund millage. In the Farms, 2,222 approved the operating millage

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NORTH PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

SOUTH PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Playoff pressure

Grosse Pointe North played its playoff opener at home against Port Huron. Senior Tommie Watkins had a nice game running the ball, thanks to his offensive line, anchored by senior Mike Tolliver, No. 78. Grosse Pointe South hosted Warren DeLaSalle in its playoff opener. It was tough sledding for junior Ben Fry, No. 7, and the Blue Devils against the experienced Pilots squad. For complete game results, see section C.

2009 Unofficial Election Results

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|---|---------------|---|--|
| Grosse Pointe Board of Education | | Grosse Pointe Park | |
| Karl Kratz | 9,665 | Mayor | |
| Cindy Pangborn | 9,858 | Palmer Heenan (I) 2,505 | |
| <i>(One, three-year term)</i> | | Council | |
| Anthony Ambrogio | 4,377 | Laurie Arora 2,279 | |
| Joan Dindoffer (I) | 10,959 | Daniel Grano (I) 1,915 | |
| Tom Jakubiec | 7,721 | Shirley Kennedy (I) 1,858 | |
| George McMullen | 5,617 | James Robson (I) 1,957 | |
| Michelle Peabody | 5,379 | Grosse Pointe Woods | |
| <i>(Two, four-year terms)</i> | | Mayor | |
| Operational Millage Renewal | | Robert Novitke (I) 3,714 | |
| Yes | 18,572 | Council | |
| No | 5,443 | Gabriela Boddy 2,719 | |
| Sinking Fund Renewal | | Todd McConaghy 2,763 | |
| Yes | 17,656 | Vicki Granger (I) 3,175 | |
| No | 6,152 | Judges | |
| City of Grosse Pointe | | Grosse Pointe Farms | |
| Mayor | | Matthew R. Rumora 1,923 | |
| Dale Scarce (I) 1,233 | | Grosse Pointe Park | |
| Council | | Carl Jarboe 1,951 | |
| Chris Boettcher 992 | | Dean Valente 1,474 | |
| Chris Walsh (I) 1,034 | | Grosse Pointe Woods | |
| Jean M. Welpert (I) 968 | | Ted Metry 1,779 | |
| Grosse Pointe Farms | | Lisa Pinkos-Howle 1,101 | |
| Mayor | | William F. Rabaut 466 | |
| James C. Farquhar Jr. (I) 2,151 | | Robert A. Radnick 398 | |
| Council | | Gregory Ulrich 1,178 | |
| Charles S. Davis 1,720 | | Winners listed in bold | |
| Louis Theros 1,731 | | | |
| Peter W. Waldmeir 1,698 | | | |

Turnout strong for relatively quiet election

Throughout the Pointes, there were a few contested races for judicial and council spots, but the school millage renewals drew high numbers of voters to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Perhaps the biggest surprise in the election was political newcomer Laurie Arora in the Grosse Pointe Park City Council race.

Arora led the candidate tallies. Incumbent Shirley Kennedy, with 26 years on the council and planning commission, finished fourth and off the council.

"I can't begin to express how happy I am," Arora said. "My message of new energy and accessible government is apparently what the people wanted. Now we need to get down to the business of running the city."

Daniel Grano and James Robson are back on the council.

Arora had 2,279 votes, followed by Robson with 1,957,

Grano with 1,915 and Kennedy with 1,858.

Other contested races in the Pointes came with Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Judge Carl Jarboe defending his spot on the bench after a challenge from Dean Valente.

Jarboe had 1,951 votes to Valente's 1,474. Jarboe has served as municipal judge in Grosse Pointe Park since January 1995.

In Grosse Pointe Woods, Ted Metry led the five-candidate race for municipal judge.

Metry had 1,779 votes, followed by Gregory Ulrich with 1,178, Lisa Pinkos-Howle with 1,101, William F. Rabaut with 466 and Robert A. Radnick with 398.

"I'm looking forward to serving the citizens of Grosse Pointe Woods," Metry said. "I want to thank the voters of Grosse Pointe Woods for their vote of confidence in me."

- Kathy Ryan and Joe Warner

POINTER OF INTEREST

'Cultural arts are my passion.'

Amy DeBrunner



Home: Grosse Pointe Park
 Age: 44
 Family: Children, Alexis, Nicholas, Mollie and Lucy
 Claim to fame: New director of the Grosse Pointe Art Center

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Yesterday's headlines

1959

50 years ago this week

◆ **CITY VOTERS OK TWO AMENDMENTS:** Voters in the City of Grosse Pointe approved two amendments to the city charter. The first makes the offices of the city clerk, treasurer and assessor appointive rather than elective, the appointments to be made by the city council.

The second makes the office of constable appointive, also by city council, rather than elective.

◆ **FIRE DESTROYS FLAT IN PARK:** A fire, believed to have been started by a cigarette, destroyed the first floor of a two-family flat on Wayburn in Grosse Pointe Park. No one was in either flat at the time.

◆ **DEVILS TAKE THIRD GRID TITLE IN A ROW:** Fourth-string fullback Bill Toth came off the bench to spring the key play of the game that gave Grosse Pointe a thrilling 13-7 victory over Wyandotte and its third successive Border Cities League title.

1984

25 years ago this week

◆ **THIRD STREET CLOSING REQUEST:** On the heels of Grosse Pointe Park City Council approving the request of homeowners in the 1400 block of Grayton to close their street at Mack Avenue comes a similar request from another group of residents.

Residents of the 1400 block of Berkshire want to make that street inaccessible from Mack. The group believes such a move would reduce thefts, cut off quick exits used by thieves and reduce excessive traffic that puts the lives of neighborhood children at

risk.

Residents on Somerset had also requested a closure because of increased traffic due to the new Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology medical complex at Nottingham and Jefferson.

◆ **SUSPECTS CAUGHT:** Grosse Pointe Park police believe the cat burglar responsible for about 30 Pointe burglaries over the past few months has been apprehended by Detroit police. The suspect was tied to break-ins on Kensington, Yorkshire and Bedford and is believed to be responsible for 12 break-ins in the Farms.

The thief's undoing was selling stolen property in a gold shop. To sell to any gold shop, a driver's license, a thumb print and other identification is needed.

◆ **FARMS OKS TRAFFIC SURVEY:** The Grosse Pointe Farms city council approved a bid to conduct a traffic volume pattern survey for the city of all north-south roadways.

According to officials, the survey is necessary to answer residents of McMillan Road who have repeatedly sought relief from the council for the high speed/high volume traffic on their street and to update traffic counts on McMillan and other roads to provide before and after statistics concerning future Hill development plans.

1999

10 years ago this week

◆ **INCUMBENTS RE-ELECTED:** City of Grosse Pointe voters kept all incumbents in office. Re-elected council members are Peter LaFond, Larry Dowers and Stephen Sholty. In Grosse Pointe Woods, Judge Lynne Pierce was reelected municipal judge.

◆ **NEW LIGHTS:** The Grosse Pointe Farms City



FROM THE NOV. 11, 1959 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1959: Queen and her court

The St. Paul seniors' float captured top honors in the annual Homecoming Day competition, enhanced by the queen and her court as it was paraded past spectators and judges during the halftime ceremonies of the St. Paul-St. Stanislaus game on the Grosse Pointe High gridiron. Pictured left to right are Karen Koerber, Sharon Turner, Mary Jo Schlaff, Gail Maitland and Queen Angela Guerrero.

Council approved spending \$18,000 for eight light poles on the walking path at Pier Park that began last year.

◆ **BUSTED:** A quartet of police from Grosse Pointe Woods were the surprise guests of honor at a large underage drinking party on Lochmoor. Police rounded up 70 local teens, ages 14 to 19, most of whom had illegally sampled significant amounts of alcohol.

2004

Five years ago this week

◆ **MEGA BINS TRASHED:** Due to an increase in strains and injuries by city employees, Grosse Pointe Farms has banned oversized rubbish containers after Dec. 31. Trash containers are limited to a maximum 32 gallons in size

and filled to a maximum of 50 pounds.

◆ **TWO BANKS, ONE WEEK:** Grosse Pointe Woods was hit with two bank robberies last week. Police and FBI agents are still looking for a man who got away with \$6,000 from a bank in the 21300 block of Mack.

In an unrelated incident, Woods officers immediately caught a 64-year-old Woods man who robbed a bank in the

20200 block of Mack. The man slipped a note and satchel to a teller. The teller placed money and a dye pack in the satchel. Officers were waiting for the man outside of the bank, where he dropped the satchel and surrendered.

◆ **TITLE TIME:** The Grosse Pointe South girls field hockey team won the Division I State championship by beating Ann Arbor Huron 1-0.

— Karen Fontanive

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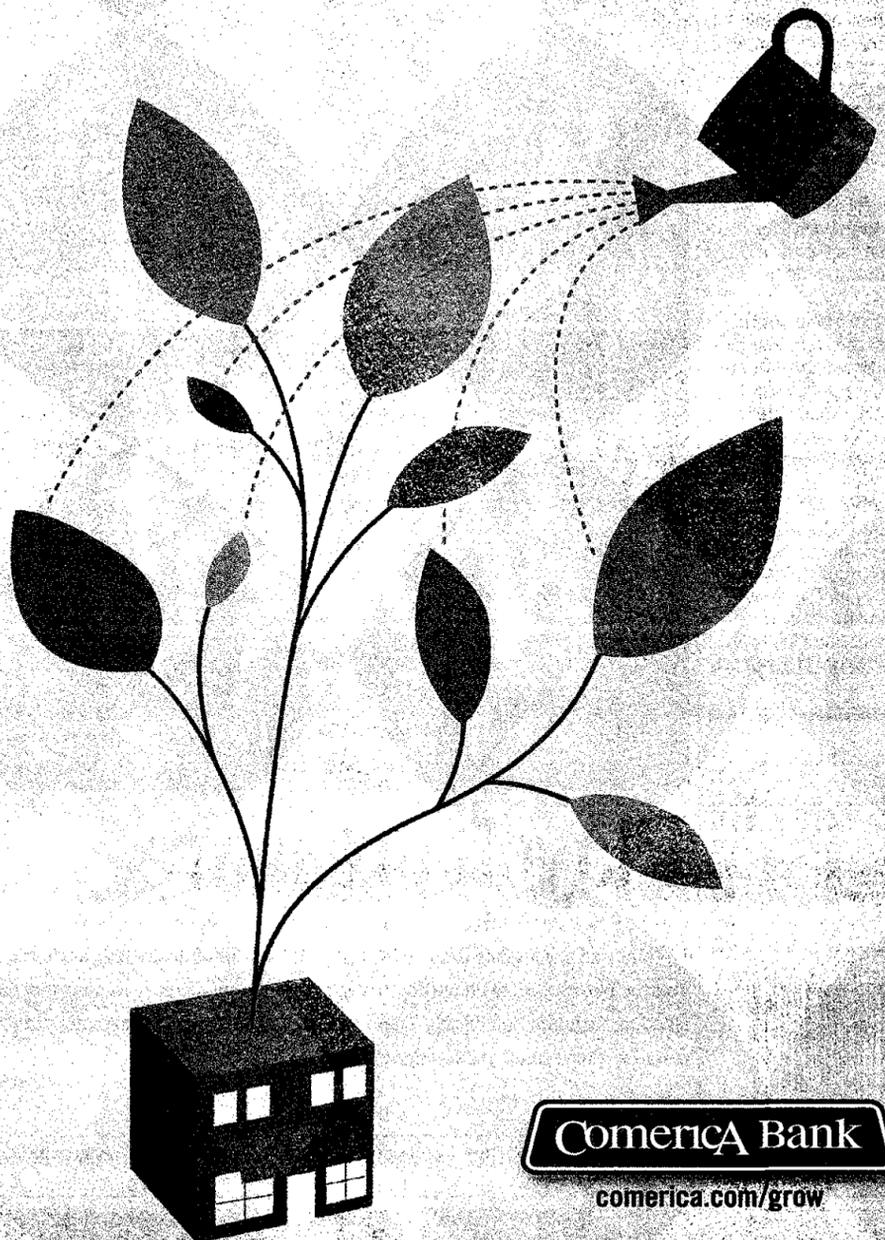
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At far left, Cati VandenBrink's Travelocity Roaming Gnome, won most creative costume in the Village. At left, trick-or-treating together in the Village are, from left, Maire Elementary classmates Shannon Horan, City of Grosse Pointe and Maire Elementary fifth-grader, a baroness; Gillian Graham, Grosse Pointe Park, a mod girl; Cati VandenBrink, costume winner; Wes VandenBrink, Cati's father; and Ruthie Impastato, an Airborne Ranger. "My dad found (the costume)," Impastato said. "We got it embroidered to say my last name." Below, Mark Seeley, a Village merchant, gives candy to Connor Lahey, 4, of Harper Woods.

Village is taken over

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Mark Seeley sat outside his sandwich shop in the Village, his shaved head painted like an egg sunny side up.

He gave a piece of Halloween candy to Sully, the blue-tailed monster from Monster's Inc.

"This is wonderful," said Seeley, owner of newly-opened Burger Pointe. It was Seeley's first year as a Village merchant during last Friday afternoon's annual holiday trick-or-treat.

"I had no idea it was like this," he said, in the swing of things with his egg make-up. "This is amazing. This is fun."

Connor Lahey, 4, of Harper Woods, wore the Sully costume, complete with a long, serrated tail on which he sat curbside eating Seeley's candy.

Connor and his 14-month-old brother, Caden, were experiencing the Village's annual Halloween celebration the

same way their mother, Melissa, did when she was a growing up in Grosse Pointe.

"I love it," Melissa said. "It's so much fun bringing my kids."

Nearly 3,000 people attended the 1 1/4-hour-long candy give-away and costume contest, according to City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace.

"This is fantastic," Scrace said. "It's solid kids."

The event seemed livelier that last year, according to John Denomme, spokesman for the Grosse Pointe Village Association, which sponsored the trick-or-treat in partnership with the city's recreation department.

"I think it was a result of unexpectedly beautiful weather, for one thing," Denomme said. "I wonder if it had something to do with it being on a Friday."

Cati VandenBrink, 10, of the City, dressed as the Travelocity Roaming Gnome and won most creative costume.

"I'm happy," she said. "I think my grandma made (the costume). It was a hand-me-down from my Uncle Tony. He wore it when he was about my age. He's in college now."

"We knew she'd win," said VandenBrink's friend, Gillian Graham, a Grosse Pointe Park resident and fellow Maire Elementary student. Graham dressed as a 1960s hipster.

"She (Cati) is amazing," said Ruthie Impastato, another classmate, wearing an Army Airborne Ranger jumpsuit. "She is one of my most creative friends."

Down the street, Mary Fildew, 7, looked like a real-life ice princess in her full-length white dress and silver tiara. She saw City public safety chief James Fox wearing his dress blue uniform and complimented him on his costume.

"It has a Taser," said Fildew, daughter of Elizabeth Fildew and granddaughter of John Fildew, the one of city's municipal attorneys.

Peter Dame, entering his fourth year as the City's manager, brought his three children, Kelsey, 12; Brian, 10 and Shannon, 5, all enrolled at St. Paul Catholic School.

Kelsey dressed up as Hermione Granger from the Harry Potter stories.

Brian was the Grim Reaper. "I wanted to be something scary," he said.

Shannon came as Dorothy from the "Wizard of Oz." She wore ruby slippers and carried a picnic basket containing a stuffed animal, representing Toto, and candy.

The Dames moved to the City nearly four years ago from Oak Park, a suburb of Chicago.

"I like both (cities) in different ways," said Kelsey about her two hometowns. "There are different things about each place that are better than the other. They're both pretty. It's like, fancy here. It's friendly here. Um, I miss my friends a lot."



As festivities wound down, some participants moved indoors. At TCBY Yogurt, Scooby-Doo, Spider-Man, a big frog and a small dinosaur waited in line for soft serve.

Woods receives recognition for financial reporting work

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

There is always pride in receiving recognition from peers, but when it continues for 34 years straight, it takes on even more relevance.

That's the position the city of Grosse Pointe Woods finds itself in, as it, once again, is honored by the Michigan Government Finance Officers Association for excellence in financial reporting.

The official proclamation was presented to Woods treasurer Dee Ann Irby and her staff, Sheila Smith, Betty Meli and Connie Lukianoff by Larry Gordier, the association's immediate past president.

"Since 1945, this certificate of excellence has been used by the MGFOA as a tool to urge government to make improvements in financial reports," Gordier told the Woods' city council at its Nov. 2 meeting. "What it means is that the city's financial documents are understood by both



PHOTO KATHY RYAN

Larry Gordier, left, presents Grosse Pointe Woods Treasurer Dee Ann Irby and her staff, Sheila Smith, Betty Meli and Connie Lukianoff, with a Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting. Mayor Robert Novitke, second from right, and Councilman Al Dickinson, chairman of the Woods Finance Committee are also pictured.

financial people and the citizens. This is the 34th year Grosse Pointe Woods has been honored, making it the most of any city in Michigan."

In order to receive recognition, public financial officers must submit budget and other accounting documents to a panel of three out-of-state financial reviewers who judge the content against a standard set of criteria developed by the Government Finance Officers of the United States and

Canada.

"We should all be extremely proud of this award," commented Mayor Robert Novitke. "This is given for excellence in financial reporting, which makes for some very high standards for anyone to achieve. And to think that this is the 34th year the city has achieved this speaks to the city's high standards. There are so many people who contributed to this. Plante Moran did an outstanding job. We can thank the entire council for their work, as well as our city manager, Mark Wollenweber. This is an award for the entire city."

Gordier told the council that even with new pronouncements and directives, the Woods continues to meet the high standards established by the GFOA.

"Congratulations on a job well done," he continued. "I did a great job, and Al Dickinson, as chair of the fi-

nance committee did an outstanding job. We can thank the entire council for their work, as well as our city manager, Mark Wollenweber. This is an award for the entire city."

Veterans Day breakfast

Doors open at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, for the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's annual Veterans Day breakfast.

The event is an opportunity to thank the nation's veterans and men and women currently serving. Hand-made thank you cards created by residents will be handed out to all military personnel.

Tickets are free for veterans and \$10 for the general public. The program includes music by Jack Molloy and his Swing Time Band and a buffet meal.

Lieutenant Col. Steve White, U.S.M.C., is the guest speaker. Currently serving on active duty, White is a veteran of the anti-terror campaigns in the Middle East and has served in the First, Second and Fourth Marine Divisions as a platoon commander, company commander,

and operations officer. He also served in Iraq as operations manager for the 3rd Battalion, 25th Marines.

His assignments include a tour as operations officer for the Marine Security Guard company in Frankfurt, Germany and as company commander at the Basic School in Quantico, Va. In July 2007, he assumed the billet of the inspector-instructor for the 1st Battalion, 24th Marines.

Veterans thank-you cards can be mailed to The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI, 48236 or dropped off from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 10.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Amy DeBrunner had only a few days to prepare for her new position as director of the Grosse Pointe Art Center.

New director looks to the future

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Amy DeBrunner may be relatively new to Grosse Pointe, but she is quickly making a name for herself as the new director of the Grosse Pointe Art Center.

"It was all rather fortuitous," said the 44-year-old Park resident. "The board had been conducting a search for a new director since Susan Macdonald announced she was leaving, and they had actually offered the job to someone. But that candidate received what they described as a better offer. The board then interviewed me on Sunday, and I started on Tuesday."

Her actual start date was Sept. 15, giving her just a few days to work with Macdonald before she left for Costa Rica — and DeBrunner hasn't stopped.

"We were going into a major exhibit and I had just a few days with Susan before she left," said DeBrunner. "It's been interesting."

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association dates back to 1927 when a group of artists began holding exhibitions. It incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1942 and its name later changed to the Grosse Pointe Art Center. Now located on Kercheval in The Village, its visibility has increased and a part-time gallery manager was hired to deal with the increased "traffic."

"We have found that we have become a very real part of the



Amy DeBrunner, left, and GPAC volunteer Carolyn Chandrasekar working together in the gallery's gift shop.

Village," DeBrunner explained. "We have several people who come in because they were on their way to dinner at a Village restaurant, but had no idea the gallery was here. Our foot traffic has increased dramatically."

The GPAC is opening a holiday gift shop and is seeking en-

tries from area artists to stock the shop for its Nov. 30 opening.

"We're asking artists to submit items that will sell for under \$100," she said. "That keeps it affordable, and we know our items will be one-of-a-kind."

And if a patron can't find just

the right object d'art, perhaps a gift certificate for art lessons would do.

"Our classes have been very successful," DeBrunner noted, adding there are classes in several mediums for all age groups.

While DeBrunner is now focusing on the holiday shop, she's also looking ahead to several exhibits scheduled next year, including the Urban Edge show in January, a special green exhibit in February, and the 72nd annual Members Show scheduled for May.

Looking ahead barely gives her time to look back, but her years as a community volunteer were what led her to the Grosse Pointe gallery.

A native of Cincinnati, DeBrunner was active in charity work following her gradua-

tion from Indiana University-Bloomington with a major in interior design and a minor in art history. The stay-at-home mom was a community volunteer, served on the board of the Cincinnati Ballet, and admits cultural arts are her passion.

Her volunteer work focused on her hometown, the Village of Mariemont, Ohio, a National Historic Landmark. DeBrunner was born and raised there and chose the same spot to raise her own family. DeBrunner was very active with the Mariemont Preservation Foundation, continuing a family tradition, as her father, Carl Slater, served as president of the non-profit organization.

It was her effort to save a historic barn that gave her a quick

primer on grant writing and non-profit fundraising — tools she brought to her position with the GPAA.

"Resthaven Barn was originally a dairy barn that was going to be razed if money wasn't raised to restore it," DeBrunner explained. "But the village did not have the money, so we knew that it could only be restored through private funding. We knew it had to be saved, so I had to find a way to raise the money. That was when I wrote my first grant application."

DeBrunner and her committee were successful and the restored barn now serves as headquarters for the Women's Art Club of Cincinnati, a century-old institution serving the greater Cincinnati area.

DeBrunner's first paid position was as executive director of Creative Aging Cincinnati, a non-profit agency that provided arts and cultural opportunities to area seniors.

"We brought the arts and humanities to nursing homes, to area senior centers," she said. "For example, we bring the symphony to play at nursing homes, or artists would lecture and present a slide show. It's a wonderful organization that educates and stimulates senior citizens."

One year into that position, in 2007, a job transfer brought the DeBrunner family to Grosse Pointe Farms, but shortly after the move, DeBrunner and her husband divorced.

"My kids voted to stay in Grosse Pointe," she said, "so that's what we did."

Alexis is a sophomore at Grosse Pointe South; Nicholas is in the eighth grade at Pierce Middle School; and Mollie and Lucy are at Trombley Elementary School.

"We love Grosse Pointe," DeBrunner said, "and the kids love their schools. I have to admit that I was blown away by South and all it had to offer. The kids have settled in and are active in sports."

DeBrunner juggles her children's busy schedules as well as some major undertakings at the art center, with the encaustic exhibit going on now, and the call for entries for the holiday shop. DeBrunner also hopes to expand the children's outreach program.

In the meantime, she's fundraising and taking care of the center's day to day business.

"Susan did a tremendous job in getting the center and the gallery to this point," she said. "I feel like she started with the infant and brought it to childhood. Now my job is to take the child to adulthood."

We Will Miss You



Jon McDonald

Jon received his B.A. from Oakland University in 1975 with a double major in Philosophy and Mathematics. Because of the lack of jobs at the time, he continued to work at Blancke Enoch Market in Detroit, where he had worked through high school. He owned the market from 1985 until 1996. He then went to work at Village Food Market in Grosse Pointe Farms. Over the years Jon built a loyal following of customers, who became friends and like family to him. He was known not just for his skill with food, but his caring and generous character. He was the guy who never said "no".

His nature was to love, share and heal, and to express this part of himself he also pursued a career as a massage therapist. Jon worked at the Valade Healing Arts Center at St. John Hospital and enjoyed the experience tremendously. He felt honored to work with so many talented people at both of his jobs. He also enjoyed gardening, playing the guitar and making people laugh. All who knew him enjoyed his very clever sense of humor.

Best of all, Jon was a wonderful husband and father. We were married for 32 years, which was not enough by half. He was so proud of both Matthew and Rachel, and enjoyed being their dad more than anything. They have inherited Jon's eclectic musical sensibilities, sense of humor and cooking talents and hope to have some of his stamina as well. We will miss his gentle and loving presence in our lives every day, but feel so blessed to have known him.

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War Memorial sets scholarship

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The event is the first fundraiser for the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Patriots Scholarship Fund for veterans.

"A number of young adults from the five Pointes are coming home representing all five branches of the service," said Gary Spicer, War Memorial board member. "Many are going back to college."

Because the GI Bill isn't sufficient to cover the cost of college, the War Memorial created the Patriots Scholarship to help fill the gap.

"We are trying hard to help

those who have paid a tremendous price and help them complete their education," Spicer said.

Recipients must be a resident of Grosse Pointe and preferably, but not exclusively, be returning from duty in the Middle East.

The scholarship money can be used at a four-year university, community college or certified vocational school, Spicer said.

No dollar amount has been determined and the first scholarship is to be awarded next year.

Donations can be designated to a particular branch of the service.

More information on the scholarship is forthcoming, Spicer said.

TRIPLE PLAY

Detroit Tigers legends Alan Trammell and Kirk Gibson discuss the national pastime, "the corner of Michigan and Trumbull," their 1984 World Series Championship season and a memorial to longtime voice of the Tigers, Ernie Harwell.

William Earnest "Ernie" Harwell, for 42 years the voice of the Detroit Tigers may be on hand as well, depending on his health.

Tickets are \$25. For reservations, call (313) 881-7511. For more information, call (313) 881-7511 or visit WarMemorial.org.



Parked

Due to deadlines being extended to include election coverage in this issue, the Parking in the Pointes series will resume next week. Continue to send comments and stories to jwarner@grossepointenews.com, call (313) 343-5590 or mail them to the Grosse Pointe News at 96 Kercheval, GP Farms, MI 48236.

PASS: Communities show support

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and 2,074 approved the sinking fund.

Grosse Pointe Woods voters said OK to renewing both millages with 11,090 and 10,710 affirmative votes respectively.

In the City of Grosse Pointe, 1,313 voters passed the operating millage while 1,213 passed the sinking fund.

Grosse Pointe Park residents who visited the polls approved both millages with 2,814 and 2,609 votes respectively.

And in Harper Woods, voters at the two precincts that encompass the Grosse Pointe school district approved both millages, with 667 and 636 votes respectively.

"The fact that it's passing by such a wide margin is a great sign the community supports it schools and they want to maintain an excellent school district," said Grosse Pointe Board of Education Vice President Brendan Walsh, as results rolled in. "This is the first time anyone can remember that we've done a millage election in odd months — it's a really good sign that in a

November election voters in Grosse Pointe clearly believe in the school district and want to see it do really well."

"We're very grateful to the voters and taxpayers. It's a good thing the voters are supportive of the schools given the current economic situation. They realized it's an important piece for the community," said Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent for business and support services.

And while both passages come as a relief to him and the rest of the school administration, the district is still staring at a \$6 million shortfall due to cuts from the state.

"This helps us for the next school year, but we're still not out of the woods," Fenton said. "The shortfall could go up or down, but it's still a major financial obstacle we have to deal with."

Not to be overlooked, voters also checked ballot boxes for new school board trustees.

Incumbent Joan Dindoffer and newcomer Tom Jakubiec took the two, four-year seats, while Cindy Pangborn beat out challenger Karl Kratz by 193 total votes for the three-year term, which ends Dec. 31, 2012. Kratz was appointed to the board in August as former trustee Ahmed Ismail's replacement. Pangborn previ-

ously served on the board from 1996-2000.

Dindoffer, who garnered a total of 10,959 votes, begins her 12th year on the school board. Jakubiec received 7,724 total votes.

Shores voters selected Kratz, their home resident, with 385 votes, Dindoffer with 316 votes and Jakubiec with 251 votes. Panborn received 254 votes.

In the Farms, Dindoffer took the highest votes with 1,363. Jakubiec received 789 votes and Pangborn received 1,114. Kratz took 1,189 votes there.

The Woods selected Dindoffer with 6,443 votes and Jakubiec, its resident, with 4,830 votes. Pangborn, also a Woods resident, earned 5,982 votes, while Kratz brought in 5,849.

In the City, Dindoffer earned 739 votes, while Jakubiec garnered 468 and Pangborn 622. In the Park, Dindoffer's residence, voters chose her with 1,749 and Jakubiec with 1,095. Pangborn brought in 1,439 votes there compared to Kratz's 1,276. In Harper Woods, Dindoffer also came out on top with 349, followed by Jakubiec with 288. Pangborn garnered 447 votes to Kratz's 295.

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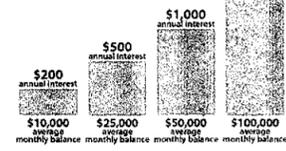
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Home cited for lack of license

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

The city of Grosse Pointe Woods has issued a ticket to an unlicensed group home on Fairway Lane operating under the name Serenity Way.

According to Assistant City Attorney Charles Berschback, he authorized city officials to cite the facility on Monday, Nov. 2, for being in violation of zoning laws.

It is a civil infraction, carrying a fine of \$350 for the first offense and \$500 for a second offense. A third citation would raise the charge to a misdemeanor, which carries a fine of \$500 and a penalty of 93 days in jail. A court date has been set for Wednesday, Nov. 18.

The owner of Serenity Way, Pamela Boos, has not returned several phone calls. In addition to operating Serenity Way, she also is listed as the owner and president of Nursing Unlimited, a home health care agency headquartered in Clinton Township.

Her attorney, Paul Garvey, has told city officials that a license application is pending with the state, but had no way of knowing the status of the application or when it would be approved.

Operations of the home were first brought to the city's attention after neighbors on Fairway Lane saw an ad Boos placed in local newspapers, offering nursing services in a home-like setting. Neighbors questioned the appropriateness of such a facility in a residential setting.

At a city council meeting Monday, Oct. 19, city officials explained to several Fairway Lane homeowners that a group home licensed by the state is

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Above, flushing your sibling into oblivion in the Village? Rebecca Roberts tries it with her brother, William. Above left, Donna DiSante, dressed as an Egyptian, gives away free books to children at the Friends of the Library table.

LETTERS

Great support

As I stood on Kercheval Avenue in The Village on Friday, the 30th of October, on an unexpectedly beautiful day and watched hundreds of costumed children trick or treat at Village stores, it occurred to me that none of this would have been possible without a considerable amount of help and assistance from the following:

The City of Grosse Pointe, especially Chief Jim Fox, Sgt. Eddie Tujaka and everyone from Public Safety who assisted in the very complex task of closing Kercheval Avenue and providing a safe and secure environment for all who attended; Chris Hardenbrook, Parks and Recreation Director, for assisting with setup for the costume contest and providing treats for the participants; Village Toy Company, for generously donating the prizes for the costume contest;

Terri Berschback, Santa Claus Parade Director, Al Fincham, Assistant City Manager and Jean Weipert, Grosse Pointe City Council, for the equally complex task of judging the Halloween costume contest and determining the winners out of 141 participants.

And of course, a big thanks to all of the Village merchants who took time out from their busy days to hand out candy to enthusiastic trick or treaters.

This is just another example of why Grosse Pointe is such a special community and how good things come from cooperation and community spirit!

JOHN DENOMME
Manager, Marketing & Promotions
Grosse Pointe Village Association

IRS event is Nov. 7

The Internal Revenue Service announced a special event called Solution Saturday. The program offers personalized tax help more than four million taxpayers in Metro Detroit, one of only five cities around the country sponsoring the event.

For the special Saturday, Nov. 7 event in Detroit, taxpayers are encouraged to schedule appointments as soon as possible by calling (313) 628-3120. Appointment lines will open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday's event will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 477 Michigan Ave., 20th floor.

While appointments are highly recommended, individuals without an appointment can also visit the IRS Detroit office on Solution Saturday.

In addition to the specialized tax help that day, IRS employees will set up information booths at each location. These booths will offer information on getting the most out of the new tax credits created by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, starting a new business, dealing with difficult tax issues, and navigating the many helpful IRS programs.

Solution Saturday brings together IRS employees from across the agency to work face-to-face with taxpayers to address unique tax problems or issues.

HOME: City cites unlicensed facility

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an allowable use of property in a residential setting. However, the city had determined that Serenity Way was not licensed, and therefore in violation of a city ordinance. Officials assured residents they would monitor the situation and would take appropriate action.

After receiving an update by Berschback at the Nov. 2 council meeting, Fairway Lane resident Chapman Cunningham expressed concerns that not only is the home not licensed, he believes that it is not technically a group home, but rather 24-hour nursing facility.

"This home provides 24-hour nursing care," said Cunningham. "That does not meet the definition of a group home according to state statute. They'll have a difficult time proving that it is just a group home."

Cunningham also said that according to what he has learned from the state of Michigan, there is a backlog of six to 12 months for license applications for facilities such as Serenity Way.

"I'm concerned that we will have to wait that long before something is done," he said.

"We will continue to take appropriate action if the home does not comply with our ordinance," Berschback said.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

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Political recall election

In the guest editorial, "Setting the bar for political recalls," July 16 Grosse Pointe News, state Rep. Tim Bledsoe, D-Grosse Pointe, offered some thought provoking insights.

In that article Bledsoe indicated three questions need to be affirmatively answered for a recall initiative to qualify as a worthwhile effort.

The first question Bledsoe raises is: "Did the elected official violate the public trust?"

Prior to the charter vote, Shores officials advised residents the new city structure would bring increased efficiency, yielding a savings in the range of \$225,000. Grosse Pointe Shores Mayor James Cooper was even quoted as saying, "Becoming

Surely they knew the charter vote and the council election might have come out differently if citizens had known the facts.

a city may permit a tax reduction."

When residents expressed concern the new charter would allow taxes to be raised to the maximum 20 mill limit without a public vote, officials promised they had no interest in raising taxes and this contingency was there for future emergencies.

These promises are documented in several articles published by this very newspaper (posted at shoresrecall.com.) Despite these promises, elected officials passed a \$330,000 tax increase just two months after being sworn into office. The public trust was clearly violated by these openly broken promises.

The second question Bledsoe raised in the guest opinion is easier to answer: "Did the elected official make decisions that cannot be undone?"

Bledsoe poses this question, because if the action taken were truly irreversible, a recall effort would have little effect on changing direction — although this hopefully doesn't mean we should reward poor performance, even when irreversible damage is done.

In this case, the actions taken to raise Shores taxes can definitely be reversed. With fiscally responsible officials on the council, there is no reason our municipal expenses can't be controlled and taxes brought down.

The real issue for Shores voters to consider is why the incumbents let our finances deteriorate to the point where the state of Michigan had to place our city on their fiscal watch list? Do we want to "stay the course" and risk being placed under receivership?

The third question Bledsoe asked is: "Did the official act on the basis of sinister motives?"

Using taxpayer dollars to fight a Freedom of Information Act request in order to prevent important public information on Shores employee compensation and benefits from coming out during an election certainly appears sinister. The public has a right to know where their tax money is going.

By delaying release of this key financial information until after the February 2009 election, Shores officials intentionally withheld important information, preventing residents from casting a truly informed vote.

Surely they knew the charter vote and the council election might have come out differently if citizens had known the facts.

Add to this the Michigan Department of State investigation into why Shores officials paid our city attorney to review candidate campaign materials. And Shores residents have many solid reasons to be concerned about their tax dollars being consumed by sinister motives and a self-serving agenda.

Shores voters should seriously consider the answers to these key questions raised by Bledsoe when considering whether to sign the recall petitions for Cooper and the four incumbent council members.

Rather than succumb to emotion, or take stock in hearsay and gossip, I hope all Shores residents will look deeper into the facts behind these critical issues. The data posted at shoresrecall.com is all verifiably accurate.

All documents cited on the website are also available at Grosse Pointe Shores City Hall and we encourage residents to request this information directly from the city offices.

Residents also need to understand the purpose of a recall is simply to schedule a democratic election wherein the voters can decide, by popular vote, if they wish to remove one or more specific individuals from office.

Contrary to what some have been led to believe, a recall election is not "costly" and adds virtually no expense when held during a regularly scheduled election.

Robert E. Lee, M.D., is a resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.



LETTERS

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

Little Goblin's Night Out

To the Editor:

What fun it was to be at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House on the evenings of Oct. 25 and 26 to watch 800 individuals encounter swamp monsters, witches and ghosts, creepy creatures and even a fairy princess as they wound their way around the estate on a beautiful fall evening.

It takes a village to create and implement an event such as Little Goblin's Night Out.

And we extend our most sincere appreciation to our many volunteers and the fantastic members of the Grosse Pointe Theatre who brought their talents to the event — you all made it so special!

Thanks goes to Continental Catering for making sure everyone enjoyed popcorn, apples, doughnuts and warm cider.

A heartfelt thanks goes to the staff of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House who demonstrated great teamwork can bring great things to our

community.

And, how can we even begin to thank the many organizations who sponsored the event. We extend a special thanks to the Grosse Pointe News for being our media partner — thanks for spreading the word about the pumpkin carving contest and publishing the pumpkin coloring page, and for helping our community learn about this fun opportunity.

The evening was a success because of all of you who helped us in many ways from providing refreshments to ensuring everyone went home with treats of all types. Thank you to the following generous groups:

Better Made Snack Food Co.; CVS, Grosse Pointe Woods; Einstein Bros. Bagels, Grosse Pointe Woods; Grosse Pointe News; Grosse Pointe Theatre; Kroger, St. Clair Shores; Meijer, Roseville; Palace Sports & Entertainment; Sam's Club,

Roseville; Soulliere Garden Center and Landscaping; the Detroit Lions; The Detroit Tigers; and The Pointe After.

And — a great big thank you to every one of the 800 individuals who joined us on Sunday and Monday. We loved having you spend time at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House and we invite you to come back to experience this great estate during the upcoming holidays.

Don't miss the Nutcracker Tea and Visit with Santa in the Playhouse, the storybook readings around the tree in the main house, tea and tour, candlelight dinner and tour, or just come to enjoy the decorations throughout the estate. Visit fordhouse.org for dates and times. We look forward to seeing you often at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House.

Thank you to everyone for two absolutely fantastic evenings!

KATHLEEN MULLINS
President
Edsel & Eleanor Ford House

GUEST OPINION By Mark R. Weber

Veterans Day 2009

America rejoiced at the news. It was 1918, the 11th hour of the 11th day in the 11th month. After four years of bitter world war, there would be peace.

President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed Nov. 11 "Armistice Day" the following year. To honor the service and sacrifice of America's men and women, all business would stop and the American people would observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m.

Unfortunately, World War I was not "the war to end all wars." Many times in the coming years, the United States would need to call upon the men and women of the armed forces to defend freedom, maintain justice and preserve

the American way of life.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation that changed the national holiday's name to Veterans Day in 1954. The nation would honor all American veterans — whether they served in peacetime or war.

As we all know, our freedom continues to be threatened. It is important, now more than ever, we stand united — as a war memorial, as a community and as a country — to support those who are serving this great nation, putting themselves in harm's way to ensure the freedoms and ideals are the very essence of this country's foundation.

We need you, our citizens at large, to help us continue to fulfill our mission.

On Veterans Day, Nov. 11,

we pay special tribute to our veterans with our annual Veterans Day Breakfast at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Our featured speaker, Lt. Col. Steve White, U.S. Marine Corps, will remind us of what our active service men and women do and sacrifice on a daily basis to preserve our freedom and defend our country. We'll hear how America's men and women in uniform are displaying a special courage in the fight against terrorism.

All of us at the War Memorial are, indeed, honored to be a part of a community organization devoted to one of our core democratic principles — patriotism — and, by extension, the honoring of our veterans. We celebrate their service 365 days

a year.

We are forever grateful to the veterans who are the backbone of our mission and to the community for their continuing support and enthusiastic caring of our mission.

To you who have served our country, please know you help us realize our values, our principles and our determination to succeed as a free and democratic people.

You continue to provide a torch to light the way. You have our deepest gratitude for your service.

Let us never forget those who have served and let us always remember those who are defending our freedom today. This is our duty as Americans.

Mark R. Weber is the president of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

GUEST OPINION By Patricia McCann

Volunteerism's power in people

Close your eyes and imagine a world where more than one out of every four people you meet is willing to give their time and talent to help others, without material compensation.

Now open your eyes to this surprising fact: We already live in that type of world.

According to the Corporation for National and Community Service, 60.8 million Americans perform volunteer work, equating to a national volunteer rate of more than 26 percent. The total hours volunteered nationally is an estimated 8.1 billion. And the No. 1 region for volunteering is the Midwest with a volunteer rate of 32.2 percent.

For service organizations,

volunteer projects provide members an opportunity to demonstrate leadership by example, while proving the power of collective work and responsibility. The same can be true for companies.

One of the most effective ways a company can connect with the communities it serves is through volunteerism. The volunteer service performed by employees strengthens communities throughout the company's service areas, enhances the company's image, sends a positive message to shareholders and helps distinguish a company from its competitors.

For volunteers, the personal benefits include increased interaction with community members and other colleagues throughout the organization

and a greater sense of fulfillment and self-worth.

Research has shown volunteer service helps employees to improve or develop many competencies that are vital to success in the workplace including: Leadership, managing people, needs analysis, negotiating skills, networking, organizational skills, planning, problem solving and decision making, project management, resiliency, teamwork and time management.

All of these skills, and more, can be developed through volunteer service. And that is why I like to refer to volunteerism as a win-win proposition.

In an age of increased social needs and decreased personal time, the Points of Light Foundation estimates that to-

day's volunteer workforce in America represents the equivalent of more than 9 million full-time employees whose combined efforts are worth more than \$220 billion.

Today, as individuals, families, communities, non-profits and for-profits, we are all trying to make do with much less. For all of us, there are limits to financial and material resources.

This should not deter us in our mission to lift our region. When we share our time, passion and skills by volunteering, the potential to do a lot of good is unlimited. Through the collective action of volunteers, we can truly make a difference.

Patricia McCann is Comerica Bank's national director of civic affairs.

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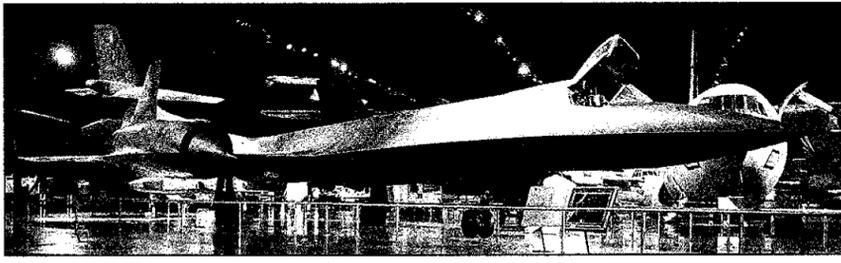
I SAY By Brad Lindberg

Kazoo free through 2009



The first Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird to make an operational flight is displayed in the Cold War gallery of the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio.

The jet, one of 29 produced, lifted off in March, 1968, according to the museum catalog, just about the time the Detroit Tigers were preparing for a World Series-winning season that lives fresh in the memories of Al Kaline and Willie Horton fans.



Dayton's SR-71 has no raised cockpit.

The SR-71 is one of the most exotic and storied aircraft at the museum, vying with the B-2 Stealth Bomber, F-117 Stealth fighter and Lockheed U-2 spy plane.

Closer to home, the most exotic aircraft displayed at the Kalamazoo Air Museum is an SR-71B, a trainer version of the one-seat SR-71.

Kalamazoo's SR-71B is dis-

tinguished by the addition of a cockpit slightly above and behind the regular cockpit.

Readers of the Sept. 3, Grosse Pointe News story, "Winging it," about the Kalamazoo Air Museum's free summer admission, will be happy to learn the promotion has been extended through the end of the year.

Free general admission cel-

brates the museum's 30th anniversary on a taxiway of Kalamazoo International Airport and the fifth anniversary of construction of the new, larger main campus a few hundred yards away.

Free general admission means a \$19.50 savings per adult. Hours of the main campus through March 31 are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Kalamazoo's SR-71B is a trainer version with has a second cockpit above and behind the regular one.

through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The Air Zoo is closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Day. The Air Zoo is located at 6151 Portage Road in Portage. Take westbound I-94, exit 78 south.

Admission to the Air Force museum is always free (it's our museum). Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The museum is located at 1100 Spaatz Street.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What would you most like to learn on a computer?

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



'I need to refresh what I already know and go beyond the basic like PowerPoint and Microsoft Word.'

YUCEL MIKIEL
Detroit



'I'd like to learn enough to get a part time job because a computer is a necessity. Right now I am learning about Google and e-mailing.'

MARTI LORIA
St. Clair Shores



'I need to update my skills to learn Windows 7 so I can teach it to others.'

TANIA FORNEY
Detroit



'I want to learn how to secure my computer against viruses and hackers.'

AISHA STURKEY
Southfield



'I'd like to learn how to use it, period.'

DORIS ADLER
Detroit

FROM THE ARCHIVES Compiled by Suzy Berschback

Area climatic idiosyncrasies



The following article is from the archives of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, circa 1930. For more information, visit gphistorical.org.

"In 1859, there was frost every month and especially heavy frosts on the 4th and 10th of June and the 3rd and 4th of July (that) did great damage to fruits and vegetables.

"January 1, 1864, there was a sudden fall in temperature from 10 degrees above freezing point on Dec. 31 to 20 degrees below on Jan. 1. The

summer of 1865 was one of the hottest for many years and much rain fell. The Indian Summer, extending all through November, was particularly warm. From the 19th to the 20th of January, 1866, the temperature fell 60 degrees. On the 2nd and 4th of May 1867, there was a frost. On the first and second of March 1868, immense quantities of snow fell, almost stopping travel.

"Other snow storms came on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 7th, 18th, and 25th of April; in fact, all through the month, and all through May, there were frosts, which were especially noticeable on the 18th.

"On April 12, 1869, there was a light fall of snow, and on the next day a heavy snowstorm. On Oct. 23, while the trees were in full foliage, six inches of snow fell, and many trees were broken with its weight.

On April 26, 1870 over 100 vessels were waiting at the St. Clair Flats for the ice to move out of the channel, where it was fully 10 feet in height."

"On Aug. 17, 18 and 19, 1871, there heavy frosts. In September and October there were extensive fires. January 29, 1873, was the coldest day of the season, the mercury ranging from 18 to 35 degrees below zero.

"April 5, 1874, snow fell sufficient for good sleighing, and on May 7, ice formed. The next month on June 28, the mercury was 98 degrees in the shade. On June 27, 1875, there was an occurrence entirely unusual. About 6 p.m. a whirlwind occurred destroying 33 small buildings and injuring 28 others. Two persons were killed and 10 injured. March 20, 1876, there was a severe snow storm. July 5 there was a very

heavy wind; trees were uprooted. Carriages and wagons overturned, vessels dragged. "Their anchors and boots were compelled stop running. In December, ice, 12 inches in

thickness, was formed in the river and lake. On the 15th, and 16th, there was a very severe wind, and the snow and ice were piled up in great masses. On March 20, 1877,

there was a sharp snow storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning. It so affected the electrical apparatus in connection with the city hall bell that every flash the bell struck one."

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

The value of surveys

As the former director of the Michigan Quality Council from 1993 through 2003, I understand the value of surveys.

During those years, we encouraged organizations to conduct surveys to gather information on the needs, wants and expectations of their customers.

We provided feedback reports to various organizations in the state about their level of quality and customer service and then we solicited their feedback on the value of our reports. So as you can see, I understand the value of surveys.

But it seems we have reached a point in our culture where surveys are almost out of control. Every receipt we receive from a grocery store, restaurant, doctor's office and even movie rental stores comes with a survey.

The other day we received an e-mail from a drug store, surveying us about our recent flu shots. That seems a bit of a stretch. Among the survey questions were those about the courtesy extended to us by the nurses. But what could we possibly say about a flu shot that would make the experience better for others in the future? How about "it didn't hurt" or "we enjoyed the Band-Aid with a picture of Tweety Bird."

Many establishments tempt us to complete the survey by stating on the receipt that if we complete the questions, we will be entered into a drawing for cash, anywhere from \$100 to \$1,000. As a further inducement, we are told drawings are held every day.

My opinion on this? Bogus. I have yet to revisit an establishment where I have completed a survey and found a list of winners.

The only surveys I complete

are those that offer me instant gratification such as \$5 off on my next purchase or a free beverage of my choice at a coffee shop.

One well-known department store always hands out surveys with no offers. If they want my thoughts on their service and their store, I want some payback!

So there you have it. If you want my opinion on something, give me a decaf vanilla latte from a coffee house and I will complete your survey and wax eloquently about your company.

The next time you frequent a department store and are handed a survey, respond by saying: "I respectfully decline to answer your survey until Bill Kalmar receives his decaf vanilla latte." I will keep you apprised of developments!

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

Smartskin for Smart People

Who doesn't want to look younger and more refreshed? With today's arsenal of products and services this is becoming easier all the time. However, sometimes shortcuts can lead to disappointing results and added costs. Facial aging is no exception but a new technology is now available that improves your look while minimizing recovery; it's fractional laser and it's state of the art in facial resurfacing.

With traditional CO2 lasers, the entire surface of the skin is treated which results in significant down time and healing and, although results are often dramatic, patients simply do not have the luxury or desire of spending too much time in recovery from procedures that they may be considering to improve their appearance.

Now, imagine removing wrinkles and creases from your face in only 20 minutes with minimal down time? Introducing the Smartskin™ CO2 Laser! Using patented micro-ablative technology, Cynosure has developed their award winning Smartskin™ CO2 laser resurfacing system. With this technology, energy columns of micro-beams treat selected areas of the skin but maintain unaffected bridges of healthy skin so that treatment zones are quickly healed. As a result, dramatic improvement can be achieved with only minimal downtime – indeed, the patient now has the opportunity to determine the amount of downtime they desire and the laser can be adjusted accordingly. In many cases, patients can look and feel younger in as little as one session!

The Smartskin™ CO2 laser also stimulates collagen generation. With age, collagen is lost which leads to reduced skin tone and laxity. Laser treatments facilitate new collagen production, helping the skin to plump and firm up achieving a fresher and more youthful appearance. Wrinkles and pigment changes from age and tanning can be reduced as well, providing improvements in the contour and quality of the skin.

Other advantages in fractional technology include a reduction in the potential risks of injury to the skin, such as hypo or hyper pigmentation and the ability to perform the procedure in the office setting without anesthesia. In most cases, the application of a topical numbing agent is all that is necessary! Moreover, areas such as the neck, chest, or hands that were once off-limits with older CO2 lasers are now wonderful opportunities to treat aging skin.

As Dr. Kayser notes: "I am very excited to offer the latest laser technology to my patients. At Image by Design Plastic Surgery, our emphasis is to offer each client personal, individualized treatment by providing the most cutting edge technology and services available. Now, with the Smartskin™ CO2 and Elite™ hair and vein laser systems, we can provide optimal results with minimal to no downtime and recovery".

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'Dangerous crew' sought by police

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Police want help finding three criminals, one believed to be an attempted murderer, who got away with cashing fake checks at a bank on the Hill.

"This is a pretty dangerous crew and we're stuck," said Mike McCarthy, a Grosse Pointe Farms detective. "It should be a simple case for me to make."

The two men and one woman McCarthy is looking for targeted Fifth Third Bank on Kercheval twice in September.

"On Sept. 10, they were able to cash counterfeit checks and leave," McCarthy said. "On Sept. 25, they attempted to cash two more counterfeit checks, but bank personnel recognized them and prevented them. They escaped (in a) late-1990s blue or black Pontiac."

A bank employee noted the car's license plate. Police traced it to a Detroit man with a history of drug, robbery and firearms violations dating to the mid 1970s. The second male has a similar background.

"The female we suspect was convicted of attempted murder," McCarthy said. "She also has been arrested for arson. We're not going to allow a crew

of bad people to come into Grosse Pointe Farms and let them think we're easy targets."

Police are waiting for bank managers to give them surveillance photos of the suspects, plus a fingerprint that a teller took of a suspect during the Sept. 10 fraud.

"The fingerprint would leave no doubt who this person is," McCarthy said. "Until we receive that type of evidence, we're at a standstill in our investigation. I'm trying to apprehend these people and prevent them from coming back. Right now, I can't."

"It's not that we don't want to cooperate," said Mike Monaghan, branch manager. "We just have to go through proper channels. This has been turned over to our bank security people."

Monaghan said he has to be careful not to expose the bank to legal liability.

"People can sue for minimal reasons," he said. "Sometimes, criminals come out of these things on top because (a company) doesn't go through the right procedures. Procedures are put in place for that very reason. It seems like criminals sometimes have more rights than victims of a crime."

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GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Jamaican phone scammers talk tough

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A man calling from Jamaica last week threatened to bomb a 77-year-old woman's mailbox if she didn't send him money.

The woman is the latest to tell Grosse Pointe Farms police of being bullied by men from Jamaica demanding money.

"It appears that Jamaican males are mailing senior citizens saying they're entitled to a tax refund," said Mike McCarthy, a Farms detective. "To process it, the victims have to send them a small check and some personal information. We've received two complaints where elderly women did that."

Instead of getting a refund, both women were hounded by men calling from Jamaican telephone exchanges demanding more money.

"When the victims balk, the men become intimidating and threatening," McCarthy said.

A Farms woman a few weeks ago was told to pay up or she'd be dragged out of her house and her head cut off.

Both victims got themselves into trouble by sending money in response to the mailing.

"A few weeks ago, (the second victim) sent a check for \$19 for a sweepstakes," ac-

ording to Farms investigating officer John Mikesell.

When the follow-up call came for money, she hung up. Using her telephone's caller I.D., she dialed back the scammer in Jamaica. He told her to "look for a bomb in your mailbox," according to Mikesell.

The best way to avoid the scam is to not become part of it.

"Be leery of any type of sweepstakes or mailings saying you're entitled to a tax refund unless you can specifically confirm it with the proper agency," McCarthy said. "If you're not sure, go to the police. If you become a victim to the scam, minimize the conversation on the phone. We advise to note the date, and time of the calls."

Farms police have forward-

ed the complaints and several Jamaican phone numbers to the FBI.

"There's little we can do to assist the victims other than try to convince them to change their phone number," said Mike McCarthy, a Farms detective. "In the latest case, the woman doesn't want to change her number, so she may have to bear with this for a while."

Caught by his own deceptive plan

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A call to Jamaican telephone number (876) 886-2189, from which Grosse Pointe Farms police said a man last month threatened to bomb a woman's mailbox if she didn't send him money, didn't go so well.

The man who answered last week was slow to get in character and wanted the caller to forward money to a city in Texas but couldn't provide a street address.

Jamaican: Hello?
Caller: I'm calling about the money you owe me.
Jamaican: Who's this?
Caller: For my tax refund.

Jamaican: How are you doin'?

Caller: I'm fine. Just want my tax refund.

Jamaican: What's your name right now?

Caller: Right now? Brian.

Jamaican: Yes, sir. Brian. Do you remember the address I gave to you?

Caller: No.

Jamaican: Listen to me. How much money do you have in your possession right now?

Caller: Cash? In the bank? Now?

Jamaican: Yeah.

Caller: About \$8,000.

Jamaican: OK. What you are going to do is you're going to take \$4,000 from that and send

it to John James in Canyon Lake, Texas.

Caller: In Texas?

Jamaican: Yes sir.

Caller: Where in Texas?

Jamaican: Canyon Lake.

Caller: What's his address?

Jamaican: Canyon Lake, Texas.

Caller: Is there a street?

Jamaican: The street is Canyon Lake, OK. Just try Canyon Lake, Texas. It will get to him. OK?

Caller: But, what's the city?

Jamaican: Teexaaaas.

Caller: Texas is a state, not a city.

Jamaican: I'm going to have to get back in touch with you to get the full information about the city. But, I know its Canyon Lake, Texas. OK. You go to the bank and get the money and call me back. I'm be havin' the full address by that time. All right?

Caller: I'm a reporter and this conversation is being recorded.

Jamaican: (Expletive). You're wastin' my time.

Canyon Lake, a city of less than 17,000 near San Antonio, features 80 miles of shoreline around 21-square-mile Canyon Lake reservoir.

The city is under the jurisdiction of the Comal County Sheriff's Office. Detective Juan Leyba handles fraud cases in the criminal investigation division.

Leyba has never heard of a John James in connection with a fraud case.

"We do have John James, but it is a very common name," Leyba said.

Leyba said the best defense against scammers is to ignore them. Don't answer their mailings. When they call, hang up.

"Unfortunately, scams are gaining in popularity," Leyba said.

Foundation additions

Three new members have been named to the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation.

Daryl Oliver, Tim Lindow and Elizabeth Connors were selected to the board last month by the membership committee. Their first meeting is this month.

The foundation is a volunteer organization that raises money for municipal improvements.

"We do things that are not covered by tax dollars to improve the living quality in our city," said Joe Jennings, foundation president and former councilman.

Recent projects include the Kressbach Place fountain at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the Village, contributing to construction of the Valente clock arch across Kercheval, hanging plants in the Village and decorative street signs throughout the community.

"Those signs were a big improvement," Jennings said.

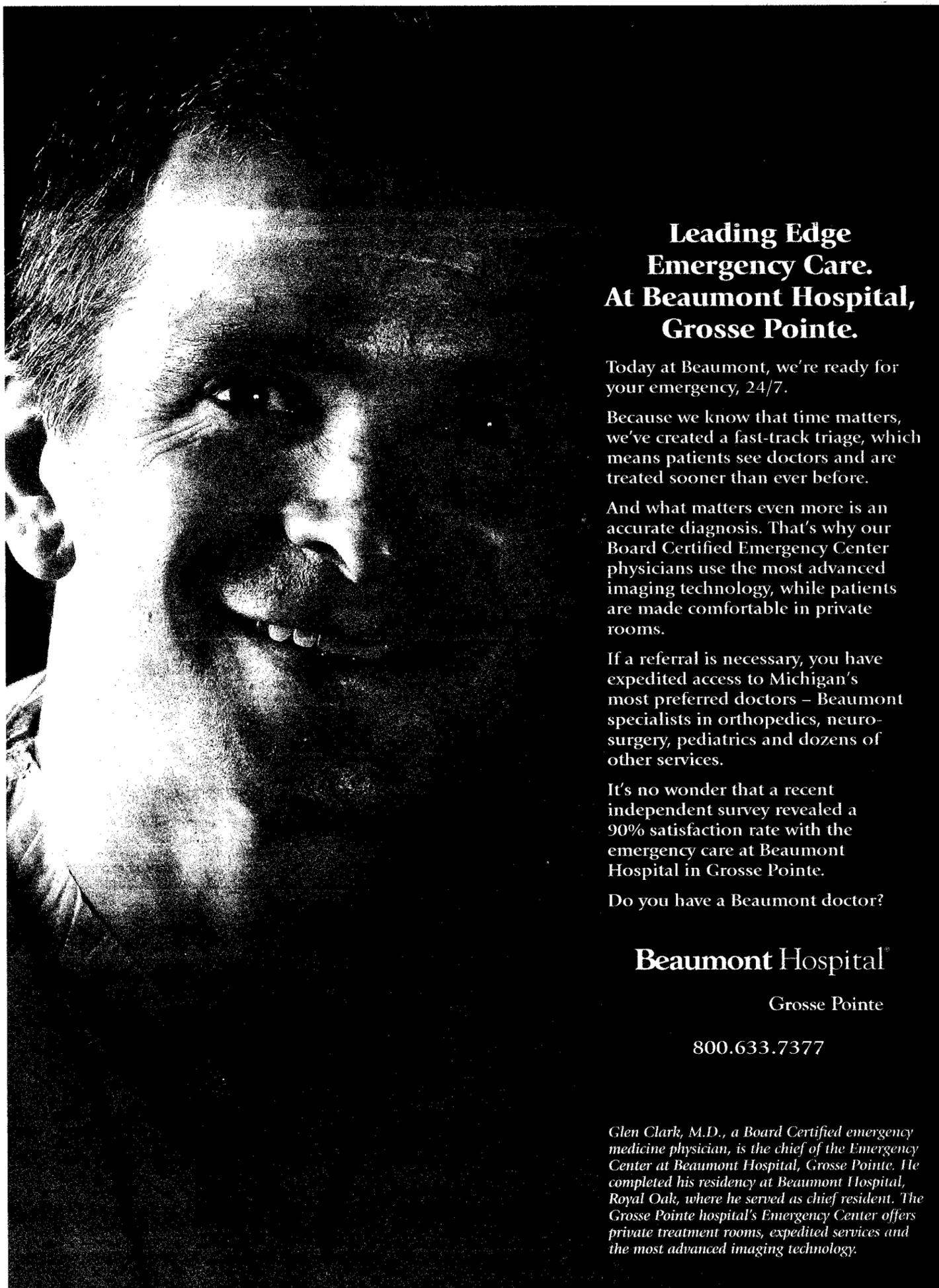
Foundation members are planning their next fundraising appeal and improvements to the city.

"We are working on a system of banners in the Village," Jennings said.

Banners will promote special events and occasions.

"We'd like to put them up by Christmas," Jennings said.

— Brad Lindberg



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G.P. SHORES

2010 road work planned

Two major streets to be repaired

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Resurfacing parts of Vernier and Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores should begin next summer.

Vernier has been approved for resurfacing from Lakeshore north to the border of Grosse Pointe Woods.

"Everything has been approved," said Brett Smith, director of Shores public works. "All of our ducks are in a row."

A sizable portion of the project will be paid by federal stimulus funds, with the Shores due to pay engineering costs.

"We had a preconstruction meeting recently on the Vernier Road project," Smith said. "We're looking for construction to begin in mid June 2010."

A county project to resurface a 1.7-mile section of Lakeshore from Vernier south to Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms may take place at the same time.

"Our grade inspection meeting with the Michigan Department of Transportation is scheduled for Nov. 15," Smith said. "Bids are scheduled to go out either April 2 or May 7, 2010, with construction beginning in July 2010."

The start date isn't definite. "If worse comes to worse, we'll have construction on Lakeshore south of Vernier and on Vernier as well," Smith said.

Another stretch of Lakeshore isn't scheduled for work until the following year or later.

"Lakeshore from Vernier north to the city limits has been selected and approved for 2011 (stimulus dollar) funding," Smith said. "If things go well, it may get constructed in 2012."

Smith anticipates grants will pay for 80 percent of construction, with the Shores paying the rest and possibly engineering costs.



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Your turn

It's the doctor's turn to get a shot. Visiting Nurse Judy Gilbert administers a flu shot to Dr. Donald Briggs of Grosse Pointe Farms at the flu vaccination clinic held last week at Services for Older Citizens. Another clinic is from 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, Nov. 6. To set up an appointment, call (313) 882-9600. Shots are free to those older than 65 years. SOC officers are in The Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

CREW: Bad checks recognized

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The fake checks were purportedly payroll checks from Berkley court for about \$1,000 each.

"We're attempting to work

with Fifth-Third management," McCarthy said. "In the first incident, they never called police. In the second incident, where they recognized the perpetrators as the ones who committed the Sept. 10 incident, they waited two hours after the suspects left the bank before calling police."

Police asked anyone with information about the case to call the Farms public safety department at (313) 886-2100.

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WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

Veterans Day

◆ All state offices are closed.

◆ Banks are closed.

◆ There will be no mail delivery.

◆ Lapsit story time is from 10:30 to 10:50 a.m. at Grosse Pointe Public Library's Central branch, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Children 6 to 23 months sit on the laps of parents or caregivers.

◆ Friends of Vision host Dr. Philip C. Hessburg, volunteer president of the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology at 6:30 p.m. in the DIO building, 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. His topic is diseases of the eye. Reservations are required and made by calling (313) 824-4710, ext. 225.

THURSDAY, NOV. 12

◆ "The Story of Edgar Sawtelle" by David Wroblewski is the topic of the adult book discussion group at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Grosse Pointe Wood Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

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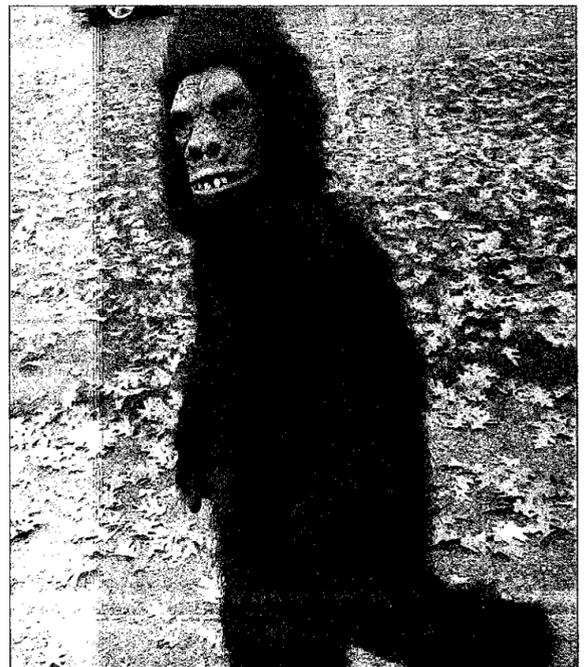


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CREATIVE CAST OF CHARACTERS

Defer Elementary students were on parade Friday, Oct. 30, for the school's afternoon Halloween parade. Above: The creative group dressed up in everything from ghosts and pirates to superheroes and video game stars to safety officials and fairy princesses. Even teachers and staff donned a different dress attire as they strolled with youngsters around a Grosse Pointe Park block. Left: It's always a traffic cone that holds up the line. Right: That isn't a gorilla who escaped from the Detroit Zoo, but a student incognito.



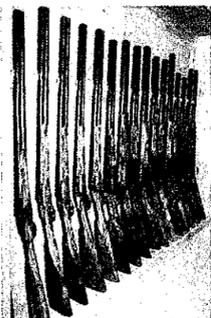
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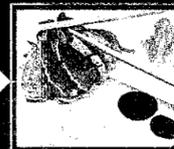
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A few minutes with ...

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

• **Hometown:** Schwartz Creek, Mich.

• **Background:** Bearden's father taught German and humanities/English for 38 years and served as chair of the English department at Flint Central High School; his mother was an office manager for a law firm, pursued a master's degree and now teaches English composition at Baker College; his younger brother is a professional opera singer in New York City.

• **Education:** Bachelor's degree, University of Michigan-Flint; studied law at Wayne State University for one year, then transferred to Eastern Michigan University, where he earned a Master's in education leadership.

• **Family:** Married 13 years to wife Jamie; father to four children, ages 6, 8, 11 and 13.

• **Jobs up to this point:** Bearden taught English at Atherton High School, near Flint, for 10 years. He moved to his alma mater, Schwartz Creek, where he worked as athletic director and assistant principal. From 2001-03, he was assistant principal and athletic director at Grosse Pointe South High School; from 2003-06 he was South Lake High School's principal; and moved to North in fall 2006.

An avid sportsman, Bearden has also held positions on the coaching end. From 1988-1994, he was the head women's volleyball coach at Mott College. He also coached varsity track and varsity volleyball at Atherton, the latter sport of which won the high school state championship in 1995. That fall, Bearden began as head women's volleyball coach at Wayne State and led them three of his four years to win the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference South Division. At various times, he coached junior high track, varsity track, tennis and volleyball, and various levels of basketball and baseball.

Growing up, Bearden umpired baseball in the summer and worked in the kitchen at Chi-Chi's restaurant for spending money.

• **Why did you decide to become an educator?**

It was always an important idea in our family growing up. I always wanted to teach, but everyone talked me out of it. While in college, I experienced coaching and I really enjoyed the coaching and teaching aspect. I liked working with young people. I spent a lot of time in my dad's school and he always had a lot of kids coming back to say he was an important part of their life. I wanted to make a difference in some-

one's life that was long-lasting. I enjoy when students come back years later and say, "What you did really made a difference and impact on my life."

• **What is your favorite meal?**

I could eat Chinese five days a week if I could get it. I like all ethnic food. Dessert? Cheesecake.

• **What are your hobbies?**

Leisure — I like every kind of sport. I'm an avid golfer. I played beach volleyball professionally. Just anything related to water sports. The most fun now is spending time with the kids, seeing things through their eyes and how they experience them.

• **Where is your favorite vacation spot?**

We always take some kind of family vacation. This summer, we took the kids to New York for some Broadway shows, then went to Mackinac Island and Michigan Adventure. We've been boating more. It's kind of our family activity. We meet up with another family and go to places on the water.

• **Is there anything the North community might not know about you?**

I played the keyboard in a rock band in college called "Scratch the Itch." We played

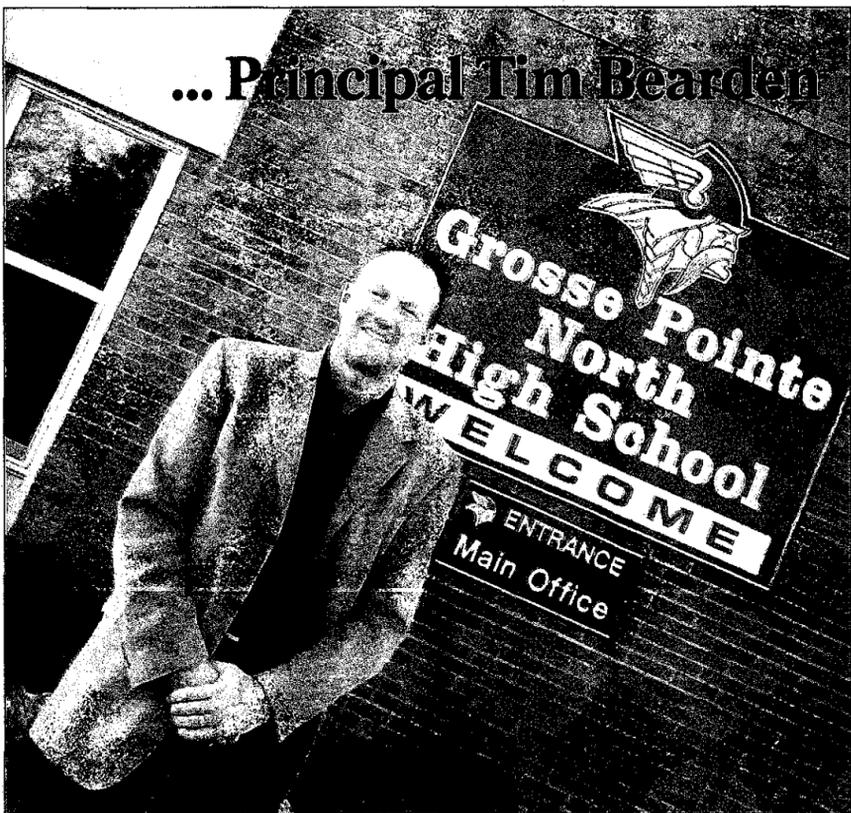


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rock and roll — some classic rock covers and some originals with a kind of alternative bent. We were never in danger of being recorded, but had fun.

I basically taught myself to play keyboards. My dad plays several instruments so I learned some things from him.

• **What do you enjoy about**

your job?

It's neat because I get the big picture view you don't get in the classroom. I miss teaching a lot because the daily contact with kids is a totally different experience than administration. But I see how all the pieces fit together and I really enjoy that.

I like going to visit someone else's room and seeing how

they're doing this. I've learned so much just from watching how different people do things, some well and some not so well.

The most critical part is relationships. I've always made it a point to give advice ... to listen. We are here to help them (students), to support them and give guidance.

Teacher of the Week

They play a key role in every child's development and inspire excellence in and out of the classroom.

Here, students celebrate their favorite teacher.

This week, it's Defer Elementary School fifth-grade teacher Jason Senska.

He was nominated by two of his students, Jack Glover and Geoffrey Finger.

Said Glover, "He is nice, funny and gives great rewards for positive behavior. He is a great teacher and makes all the subjects fun."

Said Finger, "He is nice and he is really funny."

Years at the Grosse Pointe Park school: Five

Previous work: Taught physical education at Defer from 2003-06; taught fifth-grade at Mason Elementary School from 2008-09 and for a year for Warren Woods Public Schools. Senska says he had a few odd jobs while earning his undergraduate degree, including selling women's shoes at Macy's.

Why did you become a teacher?

I became a teacher because I enjoy working with children. It's a great feeling watching your students grow before your eyes throughout the year.

What do you enjoy about being a teacher?

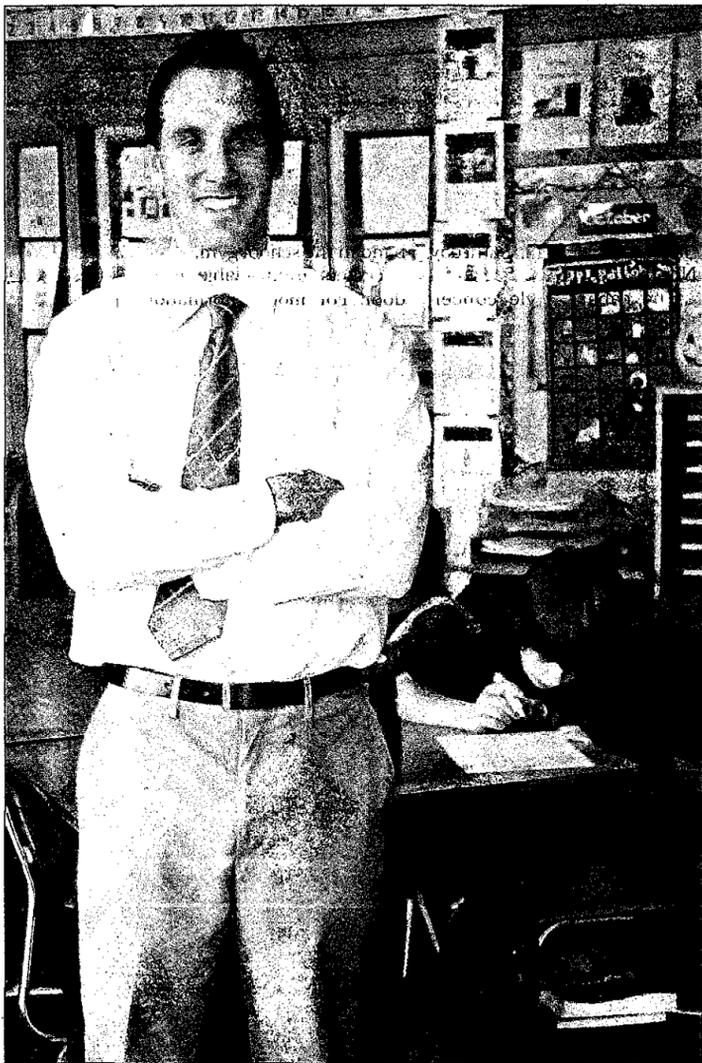
Every day is different because each day the students have something new and exciting to share with you.

On being nominated:

It's a great feeling. My colleagues, administrator, and students all play a huge role in making my teaching experience at Defer an outstanding one.

Favorite book to share with students: "The Watsons Go To Birmingham-1963," by Christopher Paul Curtis.

—Amy Salvagno



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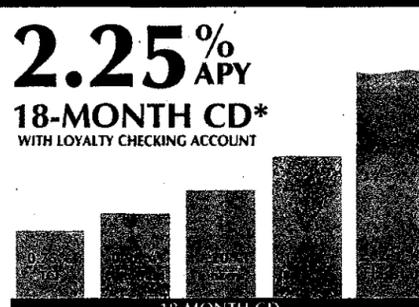
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Submissions should include the teacher's name, current school and grade they teach, along with the nominating student's name and contact information. Featured teachers will be entered into a monthly prize drawing. Call or e-mail the information to Amy Salvagno at (313) 343-5592 or asalvagno@grossepointenews.com.

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Grosse Pointe South High School Symphony Band members, from left, Jon Gibson, Emily Cirocco, Faith Ososki, and Andrew Hintzen, prepare for the annual Pops & Pastries Concert.

Music groups to perform

Music from all shades and hues of the musical spectrum is featured at the Grosse Pointe South High School Pops & Pastries Concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, in the main gymnasium.

"The Colors of Music," presented by nearly 150 members of South's instrumental music department, includes performances by the concert and symphony bands, concert and symphony orchestra and jazz band with a vocal jazz ensemble. The annual cabaret concert, a Grosse Pointe South tradition dating back to the mid-1970s, is highlighted with works by Copland, Sousa, Mancini, Vaughan Williams and Johann Strauss, along with the music of Jimi Hendrix,

Lennon and McCartney, Irving Berlin and Frank Sinatra.

South's Band and Orchestra Boosters offers pastries and other treats for audience members to enjoy during the concert. Funds raised from the concert are dedicated to music study scholarships, transportation to music festivals and purchase of music equipment.

General admission tickets to the concert are \$15; students/seniors are \$7; children under 13 are \$5. Gold Cards are accepted. All tickets include complimentary pastries. Advance tickets may be purchased at Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kecheval in the Village of Grosse Pointe, and at the door. Reserved tables are available for \$75 (seating four

in the balcony), \$120 (seating six main floor) and \$150 (seating eight main floor). Call (313) 882-6292 for more information or to reserve a table.



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The many faces of Star

The Rev. Gary Smetanka and his faithful sidekick—Fletcher, the sheltie—led Our Lady Star of the Sea School students, including Elvis and a jolly pirate, around the block for the annual Halloween Parade. The forecasted rain let up in time for the festivities.



A musical evening

Pops and Pastries returns to Grosse Pointe North High School at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7.

The cabaret-style concert features desserts and music

by the concert band, symphony band, orchestra and jazz band in the school gym.

Tickets are available at the door. For more information, visit gpsinstrumental.org.

Choir gala planned

The Grosse Pointe South High School Choir Boosters hosts its 2009 Membership Gala at the Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14.

The evening features an open bar, strolling dinner and entertainment by the South Alumni "Hot 4" Band.

All South parents who have joined the choir boosters at the gala level or higher are invited to attend as a complimentary benefit of their membership.

Other current members and non-members can join or upgrade their memberships and attend the gala at no cost. Gala membership is \$175 per couple or \$87.50 for individuals.

Membership fees are used to fund student scholarships, costumes, choreography expenses and much more. Visit gpsouthchoir.org for membership details or contact Mary Ann Bury, membership chair, at theburys@ameritech.net or (313) 886-2494.



Holiday walk nears

Preparations are in full swing for the Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School's biannual Holiday Walk. Committee members have lined up six Grosse Pointe houses, which will be resplendent with seasonal decorations for the tour from

noon to 4 p.m. Dec. 6.

Pictured from left are Jane Bashara, Chrystal Johnson, Becky Mandel, Sue Griffin, Lis Gregory, Ann Marie Aliotta and Kim (Poirer) Alle. For information on becoming a sponsor or to buy tickets, call Alle at (313) 882-1414.

Review art curriculum

Parents and community members are needed to volunteer to serve on the Grosse Pointe Public School System's sixth-12th-grade art committee and review its new

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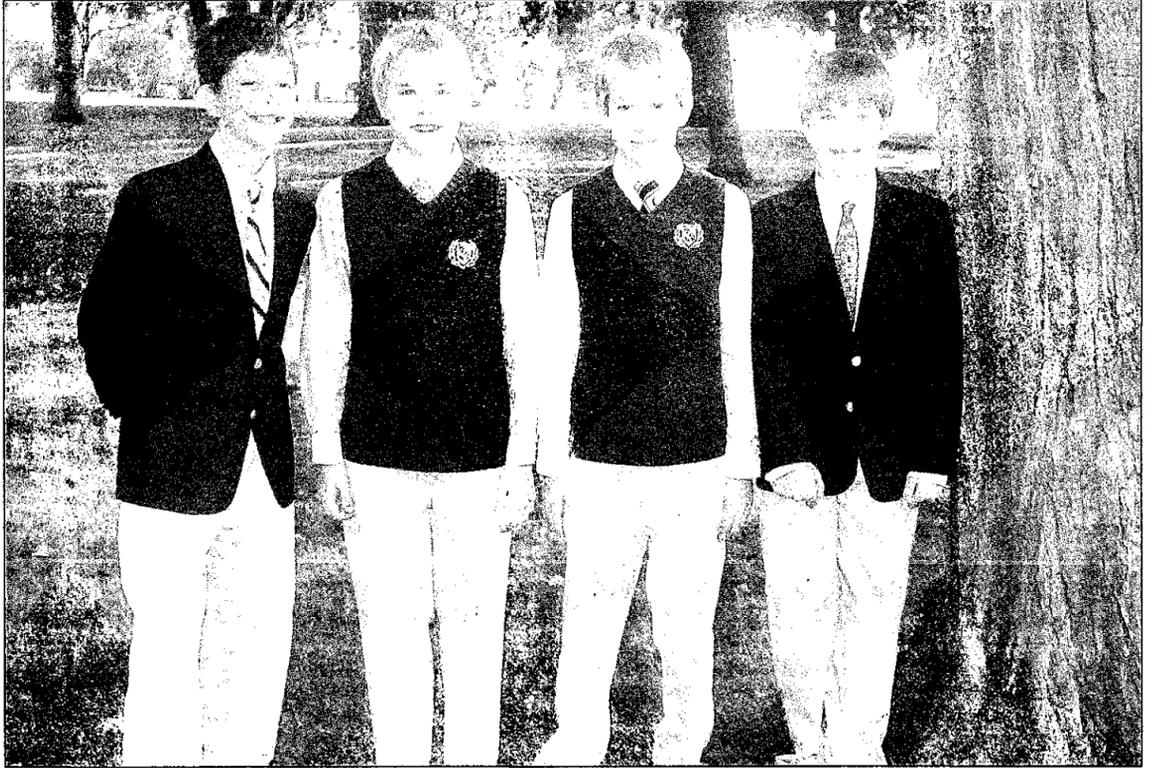
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SCHOOL SPOTLIGHTS



Buzzed back to the past

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School fourth-graders recently experienced school life as a child of the 1860's when they visited Greenfield Village. Students spent the morning in the Miller School, a one room schoolhouse, where they used McGuffey Readers, drilled math, studied geography, had a spelling bee and even practiced elocution. Pictured, Brendan McNamara whispers to Andrew Hallam as the pair play an old-time game of "Buzz."



Leaders announced

Speeches have been made, votes cast and ballots tallied — and the results are in. The Grosse Pointe Academy's middle school students elected four of their peers as officers for the 2009-10 student council: from left, Robbie Triano, president, an eighth-grader from Grosse Pointe Park; Wade Penman, vice president, an eighth-grader from Grosse Pointe Farms; Jack Weaver, treasurer, a seventh-grader from Grosse Pointe Park; and McCalla Mecke, secretary, a seventh-grader from Grosse Pointe Park.



A Star teacher

The Alexander Macomb Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has nominated Our Lady Star of the Sea School's Paul Ignagni a 2010 Outstanding Teacher of American History. Ignagni teaches seventh- and eighth-grade history as part of the social studies curriculum, in which he often adds living history to enhance the learning experience for his students. Ignagni may morph into a patriot from the American Revolution, a Civil War infantryman from Michigan or a French legionnaire. He's also been known to shave his head to make the presentation more historically accurate. When artifacts are unavailable, Ignagni makes his own historically accurate items to use as teaching tools. The regional Outstanding Teacher will be determined before the end of the year. That candidate will move up to the state and national competition.



Fall fun

More than 1,200 children and their families attended the St. Paul Catholic School's Harvest Fest, which included a haunted dungeon, rides, games, treats and crafts. Pictured, kindergartner Cliff Grabowski, preschool student Kendal Morehead and kindergartners Julia Gebeck and Allison Strehlke stop to admire rows of mums.



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Nice season

The Our Lady Star of the Sea varsity soccer team finished out the season Sunday, Oct. 25, losing 6-1 to Everest Academy in the CYO semifinals at U-D Jesuit High School. The Sailors entered the playoffs with a perfect record, but were beat by Everest for the second straight year. Pictured above is eighth-grader Johnathan Mazur in a regular season game against St. Isaac Jogues.



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Sharing songs

Maire Elementary School parent Jeff Hodges performed with his group, the BigBoys, selections from his recently released CD, "KiddyDittys (A Kid's Album for Adults)," at Caribou Coffee in the Village of Grosse Pointe. The compilation of songs was written by the stay-at-home-dad over the last eight years, and includes influences ranging from The Beatles and Paul Simon to Stevie Wonder and Bob Dylan. "KiddyDittys" is currently receiving airplay on many children's radio programs nationwide. Hodges' performance helped raise money for his son, Jack's school: Between 6 and 8 p.m., 10 percent of the shop's proceeds from orders went to Maire.



Change in tradition

Sixth-graders at Our Lady Star of the Sea School participated in the annual blessing of the prayer stoles during the Friday, Oct. 9, all-school Mass. The traditional event took on greater significance this year: the stoles were sewn by students from felt and in the color blue that represents their class. Students also selected a virtue to represent their class for the rest of their time in middle school. The group chose virtue and the word's Latin translation, virtus, was cut out of white felt and applied to one side of the stole. The other side reflects symbols of students' faith, from crosses and flames to doves and scrolls.



Historic trip

While in third-grade last year, Maire Elementary School student Hailey Martin sent her Flat Stacey on a visit to the White House. The paper figure — and her counterpart, Flat Stanley — is created by students, journaled about and sent off on an adventure, hopefully to be returned with a story about its trip. Flat Stacey recently made her trip back to Grosse Pointe, toting a letter from President Obama about her time at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

OBITUARIES

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

Peter William Dawson

Life-long Grosse Pointe Farms resident Peter W. Dawson, 55, passed away in his sleep, Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009.

Mr. Dawson was born April 28, 1954, to Philip and Bette Dawson. He graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School and Albion College, where he met his future wife, Cathy. A member of the Fraternity Delta Tau Delta, Mr. Dawson earned a Bachelor of Arts with dual degrees in history and economics. He earned a juris doctorate from University of Detroit Law School and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan. He also attended Magdalene College, Oxford University, where he read comparative law. He was a member of Dawson & Dawson P.C., a law firm he founded with his father.

In 1984, Mr. Dawson married Cathy. Together they raised three children: Will, a senior at the University of Kansas; Molly, a sophomore at Michigan State University; and Emily, a junior at Grosse Pointe South High School.

His family said Mr. Dawson gave freely of his time and attention. The most commonly expressed sentiment from his many friends is, "Peter was always there for you." Renowned for his penetrating wit and intricate grasp of facts and details, Mr. Dawson was an avid sailor and active in many civic, social and collegial organizations. In September 2009, he was recognized as an "Old Goat" for his participation in 25 Bayview Mackinac races, including many aboard his yacht, Courage, the 1983 DRYA Boat of the Year and overall winner of the Mackinac race.

Mr. Dawson was a member, former officer and governor of The Players, a gentlemen's theatrical club; a member, officer and governor of the Detroit Racquet Club and a member of the Bayview Yacht Club.

In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his brother, P. Howard Dawson Jr. and sister, Mary Jane Dawson.

A memorial service was held Oct. 31 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms. Memorial donations may be made to the Dawson Education Trust, c/o William Robinson, 944 Abbey St., Birmingham, MI 48909; The Players, 3321 East Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 48207; or the DeHaven Music Fund, c/o Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Helen V. Duross

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Helen V. Duross, 95, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009, in Jacksonville, Fla.

She was born in Detroit, the daughter of Polish immigrants John and Agnes (Wojnar) Dudek and married Harry R. Duross Aug. 21, 1935. He was a career law enforcement officer and former Grosse Pointe Woods police lieutenant.

A member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Duross was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. The consummate homemaker, her family said Mrs. Duross will be lovingly remembered for her devotion to her family. Holidays and family gatherings — full of laughter and togetherness — were always events they looked forward to.

After her husband's death in 1975, Mrs. Duross moved to Jacksonville, Fla. to be near her family.

Mrs. Duross is survived by her sons, H. Robert (Elicia) Duross of Florida, Frederick (Christine) Duross of Oregon and Thomas (Linda) Duross of California; grandchildren,

Mark Duross, Kimberly Dreher, Kelly Piete, Carissa Duross and Dane Duross and great-grandchildren, Ethan Dreher, Emma Dreher, Amber Piete, Aaron Piete, Justin Duross, Katy Duross and Joshua Duross. She also is survived by her brothers, Stanley Dudek of Westland and Mitchell Dudek of Livonia.

She was predeceased by her husband, Harry R. Duross.

A funeral service was held Nov. 4 at Campbell-Stocking Family Funeral Home in Farwell.

Share a memory at CampbellStocking.com.

John Warren "Jack" Fleck

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident John Warren "Jack" Fleck, 80, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2009, from complications related to Alzheimer's disease. Mr. Fleck was recently predeceased by his older brother, James C. Fleck. Jack and his twin brother, Charles, were born April 29, 1929, to Jesse Warren and Florence Daurice (Caldwell) Fleck.

After graduating from Michigan State University, Mr. Fleck served in the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant/Tank Unit Commander in Korea and was awarded a Purple Heart for injuries received in combat. After leaving military service he began a long career affiliated with the auto industry. He first worked as a salesman for DeSoto Automobiles, then later for Chrysler/Plymouth.

He then began a career in advertising at Young & Rubicam and Kenyon & Eckhart, still working in the automotive arena. He finished his career as vice president working with the National Automobile Dealers Association and retired from Y & R after 32 years.

Mr. Fleck's passion in life was sailing. From the age of 13 he began sailing the Great Lakes as a crew member on various yachts. He eventually raced his own boat "Calpurnia" in the Mackinac race, winning first place in 1983 in the K Class, Division II. After racing 25 Port Huron to Mackinac races and earning the "Old Goat" status, he retired from sailing. He later took up golf with the same passion.

Married to Louise in 1957, he is survived by his wife and three daughters, Devon (John) Fleck Corbett, Robin (Richard) Fleck Graves and Jackie (Ralph Hoffman) Fleck and grandsons, Russell Briggs Graves and Jesse Warren Graves. He also is survived by his brother, Charles (Joyce) Fleck; Ruth Friesenborg; nephews, Ed (Jan) Fleck and William (Julie) Fleck, and niece, Jeanne Fleck.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Attn: Donor Services, 225 North Michigan Avenue, 17th Floor, Chicago, IL 60601.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to S. K. Schultz Funeral Home. Share memories with the family at SchultzFuneralHome.com.

William J. "Bill" Hendricks

Former Grosse Pointe resident William J. "Bill" Hendricks, 63, died Friday, Oct. 23, 2009, in Florida. A resident of Longwood, Fla., he was born Jan. 7, 1946, one of four children of Bill and Beryl Hendricks. He attended Grosse Pointe High School and graduated from Eastern Michigan University after a term in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Hendricks was employed in radio and television advertising in Detroit and Orlando, Fla., as well as various careers in newspaper and automotive parts delivery. His family said he will be remembered most for his unconditional faith in God, abiding love of family, the University of Michigan football team, music, and lively discussion.

He is survived by Pamela, his beloved wife of more than 40 years; his children, Michael (Kirsten) of Longwood, Fla. and Daniel (Kelly) of Sanford, Fla. and his two beautiful grandsons, Brad and Justin Hendricks.

He also is survived by his brother Rick (Debbie) Hendricks of Saline; sister, Linda Gregory of Grosse Pointe and nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents.

Memorial donations may be made to Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, 2008 Brengle Ave., Orlando, FL 32808.

William Franklin Hoover Sr.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident William Franklin "Bill" Hoover Sr., 80, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

He was born Sept. 5, 1929, in Portsmouth, Ohio, to Mildred and L.F. Hoover. His family said his childhood memories included surviving two floods of his hometown, having a large paper route for the Portsmouth Times, participating in Soap Box Derby racing, and growing up in the Valley Supply hardware/general store his father managed and the neighborhood grocery store owned by his grandmother.

His father's two delivery routes for his store included the properties of the infamous Hatfield and McCoy families. Along with his father, Mr. Hoover was a dinner guest of both families once a year.

While attending Portsmouth High School and then The Ohio State University, Mr. Hoover worked as a lifeguard and for the local radio station in Portsmouth. He also began a life-long interest in photography and enjoyed boating on the Ohio River.

Upon graduation from OSU, Mr. Hoover met Eula Margo Horn. They married June 8, 1952.

He began teaching while completing his master's degree work at Miami University. He earned a doctorate in education from Wayne State University.

His 43-year teaching career included working in two Ohio school districts and overseas with the U.S. Dependents Schools in Norfolk, England.



Peter William Dawson



John Warren "Jack" Fleck



William J. "Bill" Hendricks



William F. "Bill" Hoover Sr.



Timothy P. Overbey

He then joined the Grosse Pointe Public School System where he taught at Richard Elementary and Grosse Pointe South High School before retiring after 39 years of service.

During his teaching career, Mr. Hoover used his expertise in stage and studio lighting for several Grosse Pointe South plays, water ballets and other local theatrical and film productions. He provided the lighting, sound and recording when Dr. Martin Luther King spoke at Grosse Pointe South High School shortly before his assassination.

He was the 1986 Homecoming Grand Marshal at Grosse Pointe South.

Mr. Hoover designed and built Grosse Pointe South's current graduation stage, was a co-founder of Childbirth Education Service in Detroit, invented and sold the rights to a camera lens extender, wrote several booklets on air rifles and Commodore computers; invented a football board game, and created educational films, freelanced for several national photographic journals and a towboating newspaper and spoke on behalf of the National Rifle Association as an air rifle instruction expert.

He enjoyed trotline fishing in the Ohio River with his father and son, and fishing with his son and grandchildren at Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park.

Mr. Hoover is survived by Eula, his wife of 57 years; children, Valerie Pryzdatek and Bill Hoover Jr.; grandchildren, Lindsay, Kendall, and Christine Cassidy and Olivia, Billy III, and Brooke Hoover; and step-grandchildren, John Michael and Augustus Pryzdatek.

Funeral services were held Nov. 1. Share a memory with the family at ahpeters.com.

Thomas R. Latham

Thomas R. Latham, 77, passed away Saturday, Oct. 31, 2009.

Born Dec. 2, 1931, to John and Mildred (Mosher) Latham in Leipsic, Ohio, he was raised there and in Detroit.

On Sept. 8, 1951, he married Rose Marie Faiss in Detroit whom he started dating at 16. They celebrated 58 years of marriage this last September.

Mr. Latham owned and operated Latham Tire and Auto Salvage, in Marine City and his wife owned Rosewood Beauty Salon of Grosse Pointe. In his free time, he enjoyed working on cars, antique cars, and motorcycles. He also owned an antique/resale store in Detroit.

He and his wife moved to Oscoda in 1996, where he loved touring the area, and fishing. His passion, however, was his family.

Mr. Latham is survived by his wife, Rose Marie; daughter, Rose M.K. Latham of Washington Township; sons, John (Melissa) Latham of Algonac and Scott Latham of Lincoln; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and his sister, Sandra Leonard of Mount Clemens.

A funeral service was held Nov. 4 followed by burial in Pleasant View Cemetery in Spruce.

Timothy P. Overbey

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Timothy P. Overbey, 41, passed away peacefully at home with family by his side Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009.

He attended Maire Elementary School, Pierce Middle School and graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1986. He attended Michigan State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in business management.

He was a sales manager for CCS Medical Supplies in Denver, Colo.

Mr. Overbey enjoyed skiing, hiking and mountain biking among many other activities throughout his life.

Mr. Overbey is survived by his son, Alexander; parents, Don Overbey and Andrea Reed; sister, Robyn and brother, Rick.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon, Friday, Nov. 6, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Wujek Calcaterra & Sons Inc., Sterling Heights.

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In Loving Memory of my son, Captain Frederick Martin Spencer. Frederick graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and earned a Masters Degree in Social Work from Wayne State University. He was a member of the National Guard Tank Division, and part of the band The Twisting Tarantulas. He also performed at the Renaissance Festival with the Knights of the Dark Yards. You are greatly missed & loved!



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Vincent Richard O'Shee M.D.

A Grosse Pointe resident for more than 40 years, Vincent R. O'Shee M.D. died Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009.

Born April 4, 1927, he was the fifth of six children in the O'Shee family of Clomnel, Tipperary, Ireland. His father, a retired attorney and gentleman farmer, was the Irish representative in the English Parliament from 1897 to 1917 in the south of Ireland.

Dr. O'Shee attended the Christian Brothers School until his family moved to Dublin in his teens. He finished at Belvedere College and continued in the University College of Dublin.

He completed his medical studies in 1956 with a degree from the National University of Ireland and married his sweetheart from Blackrock, Irene Finnegan, that same year. Jobs were scarce at the time in Ireland so he accepted a position at Detroit Memorial Hospital.

Dr. O'Shee and his wife emigrated and while waiting the five-year period to become an American citizen, Dr. O'Shee did his residency in obstetrics and gynecology and became a specialist. Since starting his practice in 1962, he delivered more than 5,000 babies at Holy Cross,

South Macomb, Saratoga and St. John hospitals. He became chief of staff at Holy Cross Hospital in 1975 for three years. He eased into retirement supervising residents at St. John Hospital through 2001.

His family said Dr. O'Shee's patients and co-workers shared many stories about him from how he wore brightly colored jackets on his hospital rounds to his kind words of hope to childless couples.

He always went the extra step to make sure his patients felt special. But nothing seemed to light up his eyes more than his children and grandchildren.

Dr. O'Shee enjoyed tennis his entire life, was part of a regular dart league at the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in Detroit for many years, golfed regularly with his friends at Lochmoor Golf Club and more recently with pals at other courses.

He let his creative side show doing several stage productions in the 70s for the Gael Players, writing a children's book and through the flowing artistry of his oil paintings.

Dr. O'Shee is survived by his wife, Irene; daughters, Marianne (Cameron) Smith, Louise (John) Bersine, Jean (Michael) Harris, Laura (Thomas) Marchin and Eileen O'Shee; son, James (Taara) O'Shee; grandchildren Tanya (Craig) Baker and Sarah (Rolland) Kanel, Amanda, Colin, Claire, and Caroline Smith, Taylor, Tommy, and Riley Marchin, Erin O'Shee and Lauren, Kate, Madeline, and Molly O'Shee.

He also is survived by his

sisters, Sheela (Fergus) O'Dea and Teresa (Roderick) Morton; sisters-in-law, Mary McCann and Carmel O'Shee and brother-in-law, Alan (Deirdre) Finnegan and many nieces and nephews in Ireland.

He was predeceased by his brother, Fergus and sisters, Maureen and Isabel.

His family will miss his great sense of fun.

Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Share a memory with the family at verheyden.org.

Virginia Carolyn Pehrson

Virginia Carolyn Pehrson, mother of Joseph Pehrson, died suddenly, but quietly, the morning of Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009. She was 96 and had a long and productive life.

Mrs. Pehrson had a life-long fascination with both automobiles and dogs, as well as an appreciation for the arts and culture.

She had worked as a substitute schoolteacher in Grosse Pointe for many years and also worked as a volunteer at Harper Hospital in Detroit for 49 years.

Mrs. Pehrson tended to her husband, Ralph, faithfully after he had a paralyzing stroke that left him totally immobile for 13 years. In 2005 she moved from Grosse Pointe to New York City to be near her son and daughter-in-law.

Her family said Mrs. Pehrson had a particularly positive attitude for someone of an advanced age, and will be greatly missed by her son,



Vincent Richard O'Shee M.D.



Hal Horace Smith III



Jerry Watson

Joseph; daughter-in-law, Linda and many others who benefited from her interest and good spirits.

Hal Horace Smith III

Life-long Grosse Pointe resident Hal Horace Smith III, 78, passed away Friday, Oct. 30, 2009, after a battle with cancer at home surrounded by family.

He was born May 25, 1931, in Detroit to Hal H. Smith Jr. and Margaret Wheeler Smith. He attended Detroit University School, Taft School in Watertown, Conn. and Trinity College in Hartford, Conn.

Mr. Smith served in the United States Army before working for Reynolds and Co. in New York.

He then joined the Detroit investment firm of Smith, Hague & Company, a New York Stock Exchange member firm and was president for many years before merging with First of Michigan in

1990.

He also worked for Raymond James & Associates and Oppenheimer & Co., where he retired from in 2008. He was also a past president of the Detroit Stock Exchange.

He was an avid fly fisherman, golfer and duck hunter. He enjoyed duck shooting at the Canada Club on Walpole Island, Canada and Atlantic Salmon fishing in the Laxa River, Iceland.

For many years he enjoyed his cabin on the Au Sable River in Graying. He was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, Bayview Yacht Club, The Yondotega Club and Delray Dunes Golf & Country Club.

He is survived by his loving wife, Charlene; children, Hal H. IV (Catherine) of Grosse Pointe Farms, Graham W. (Carol) of Grosse Pointe Farms, Dean M. (Diane) of Harrison Township, Sarah S. Gibb (Michael) of Kent, England and Jeffrey Y. (Kristin) of Grosse Pointe; stepdaughter, Anna D. (Christopher) Steele of Rochester Hills and six grandchildren.

He also is survived by his loving brother, Leonard W. (Nancy) Smith of Grosse Pointe Park; three nieces and many cousins.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial donations may be made to The Evans Scholars Foundation, 1 Briar Road, Golf, IL 460029 or Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Arrangements were handled by Wm. R. Hamilton Co., Mount Clemens.

Jerry Watson

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Jerry Watson, 80, passed away Saturday, Oct. 31, 2009, after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

He was born July 23, 1929, in Mount Clemens to Edgar and Elenore Watson and grew up in Anchorville. When he wasn't racing cars around the St. Clair Flats, he was racing sailboats, ice boats and hauling out ice shanties.

He continued to enjoy sailing with his friends for many years, crewing for Temptress and Gold Digger among others in the Mackinac races, Tuesday night Bayview Yacht Club races out of Windmill Pointe Park and ad hoc Priem's Bar races.

He moved to Grosse Pointe Park and lived at 1241 Bishop in the home built by his grandfather, Francis Beaupre. Mr. Watson attended Grosse Pointe High School from 1943-1947 and Michigan Technological University and Lawrence Technology University. He served in the U.S. Navy with the Sea Bee Battalion.

After his marriage to Lois Hillebrand in 1950, he returned to Bishop Road to raise his family of seven children who attended St. Clare Catholic School, Maire Elementary, Pierce Middle School and Grosse Pointe South, Dominican and Austin high schools. The children fondly remember many road trips with their dad in their motor home — the first version being a converted school bus.

Mr. Watson was the owner of Watson's Pointe Service at Mack and Neff in the City of Grosse Pointe from 1957 to

1984, a time when service always meant full service — gas, tires and oil checked and always a clean windshield delivered by Mr. Watson with his great big grin. He serviced the fleets from local businesses with personal attention and integrity.

He employed many boys from the neighborhood and turned a blind eye to their after hours use of his place for hot rod clinics.

Mr. Watson is survived by his wife, Lois Ann Watson; children, Mike Watson, Patti (Ted) Schollenberger, Kathy (Tom) Dunstan, Janet (Dan) Drekich, Dick (Irene) Watson, Dave (Nancy) Watson and Diane (Eric) Smith; grandchildren, Hayley (Chris) Kirby, Heath Schollenberger, Katie (Jason) Chapman, Bridget Dunstan, Dani and Jack Drekich, Samantha and Derek Watson, Richie, Jerry and Willie Watson and Vaughn Smith and great-grandchildren, Aidan, Daphne, Finn and Christina.

A Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Watson's family offers the following message: The spinnaker is trimmed for a broad reach, heading: that cloud on the horizon — you're on the tiller Pop. We will meet you there.

Esther Margaret Huizinga

Mrs. Esther Margaret Huizinga, 97, of Grand Haven passed away Monday, Oct. 26, 2009, at the Hospice House of Heartwood Lodge. She was born Sept. 24, 1912, in Rochelle, Ill. to Andrew and Ida (Johnson) Anderson and had resided at Robbinswood Assisted Living Center since moving to Grand Haven in 1998.

She was a member of St. James Lutheran Church of Grosse Pointe Farms and enjoyed painting watercolors.

On June 14, 1941, she married Ralph Huizinga in Chicago. He died in 1993.

Mrs. Huizinga is survived by her children, Betsy (Dr. Ray) Komray of Spring Lake and Alan (Margy) Huizinga of Grosse Pointe Farms; grandchildren, K.C. Hoffman, James (Lisa) Walter, Sara (Scott) DeKuiper, Andrew Huizinga, Erin (Christophe) Bakunas and Kelly Komray; and five great-grandchildren.

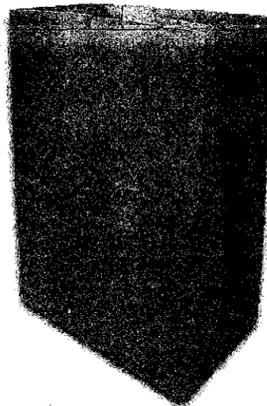
She was predeceased by her husband, and brother, Ralph Anderson.

A memorial service was held Oct. 30 at The United Methodist Church of the Dunes in Grand Haven. Interment will take place in the Remembrance Garden at the church.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of North Ottawa Community, 18525 Woodland Ridge Drive, Spring Lake, MI 49456 or St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Switched tag

An officer monitoring traffic at Mack and Cadieux at 10:26 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, pulled over a man driving a red 1993 Ford Econoline van displaying an expired license plate registration sticker.

The sticker also was for another type of vehicle.

The driver, a 47-year-old Detroit man, was arrested. His license had been suspended nine times. He was wanted on two outstanding traffic warrants from 36th District Court in Detroit.

Drunk at wheel

A patrolman who pulled over a 29-year-old St. Clair Shores woman at 12:15 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, for erratic driving on eastbound Mack cited her for drunken driving.

The woman had a .12 percent blood alcohol level, according to the officer.

12 aliases

A 55-year-old male parolee from Detroit with at least 12 aliases was arrested at 12:10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, for shoplifting in the Village.

The man reportedly stole household products from Kroger and exited the back door.

"Less than one minute later, (I) observed (him) riding a bicycle carrying a large, overstuffed backpack south on Notre Dame," said the arresting officer.

The man is accused of stealing three containers of laundry detergent and two six-packs of bar soap worth a combined \$62.74.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Lost

A 19-year-old man from Memphis, Mich., was arrested at 2:51 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, for drunken driving on westbound Lakeshore near Dodge Place.

An officer had spotted the man speeding 49 mph (14 mph over the limit) near Moran.

The man registered a .188 percent blood alcohol level and said he was coming from the area of Gratiot and 12 Mile.

"(He said) he was going to his girlfriend's house in Port Huron," said the arresting officer.

Laptop taken

Fingerprints on an empty computer box may reveal the identity of a laptop thief who tried to cover his tracks at Maire Elementary School.

When found, the thief will be charged with taking a new, \$700 Dell PP32LB laptop from school property sometime between Sept. 29 and Oct. 29. The computer was among others stored in unopened boxes in a room next to school offices.

"After removing the laptop from the box, the (thief) placed the empty box back in the middle of the other full boxes, making it look as though it was full," said an investigating officer.

31 suspensions

A male driver who was pulled over for changing lanes hastily on eastbound Mack from Bournemouth to Shelbourne was arrested at 11:46 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, for operating a vehicle illegally.

His driver's license has been suspended 31 times and has been expired since 1996.

Cracked

A 45-year-old Roseville woman was arrested at 9:32 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, outside a house in the 300 block of Kerby.

As police arrived at the house, they reported seeing the woman rush outside, scream and slam the door shut behind her.

"When asked for I.D., she reported that she did not have any and liked to 'travel light,'" said an officer.

Officers arrested her on drug charges. She possessed two rocks of crack cocaine and three pipes, officers said. She also was wanted in St. Clair Shores and is on probation in Mount Clemens, records showed.

Caught

A 53-year-old Farms man, known by police to have an expired driver's license, was seen at about 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, leaving the Grosse Pointe War Memorial parking lot behind the wheel of a silver 1997 Lincoln Continental four-door.

"Part of (his) probation provisions are not to use or possess alcoholic beverages or other intoxicants," said an officer.

During a traffic stop in the 200 block of Grosse Pointe Boulevard, officers arrested the man for having a .145 percent blood alcohol level.

The man had been investigated earlier in the week for creating a disturbance at his residence.

Table taken

Two men were seen at 12:15

p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, taking a small metal table from behind Mack Daddy's in the 18500 block of Mack. The men reportedly loaded the table into an older-model, dark-colored Ford or Jeep pickup and drove away.

"(The) truck was filled and stacked with various types of metals," said a Farms public safety officer.

The \$50 table had been placed near a Dumpster.

Memorial

A 60-year-old Grosse Pointe Park woman registered a .224 percent blood alcohol level and was arrested for drunken driving at 6:18 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25.

The incident occurred on westbound Mack near Gateshead, across from Kerby.

"(She said) she was returning from a memorial," said the arresting officer.

Shoplifting

Police are looking for an estimated 45-year-old man for shoplifting at least \$84.85 worth of detergent and paper towels from Rite Aid on the Hill.

The theft was reported at 10:40 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25.

"(He) loaded the stolen items in a Ford pickup, white or silver in color," a witness told police.

The man wore an olive green zip-up jacket, light green baseball cap, blue jeans and white gym shoes.

—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

Larceny

Between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, a gas grill was taken from the rear yard of a house on Maryland.

A leaf blower was removed from the bed of a pickup truck parked on Three Mile some time between Tuesday, Oct. 27 and Thursday, Oct. 29.

Arrest

A 56-year-old male was arrested after driving down Lakepointe and striking a parked car at 11:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Park Police, (313) 822-7400.

—Kathy Ryan

Grosse Pointe Shores

Missed call

Four lively teenagers dressed in Halloween costumes on Moorland Drive at 11:43 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, generated a 911 call to police from a concerned resident.

"One (teen) had called out, 'shot gun,' meaning she wanted to sit in the front passenger seat" of a car, said a Shores dispatcher.

Penalty box

A security guard employed by the Shores resident accused of bilking former Detroit Red Wings all-star Sergei Fedorov out of a \$43 million investment

called public safety officers this week about a possible trespasser on his property in the 700 block of Lakeshore.

"The (suspect) stated that he was trying to deliver a subpoena to (the resident) regarding the Fedorov case," reported the officer at 8:05 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Rings missing

A Webber Place homeowner who is trying to sell his property suspects that three pieces of his jewelry worth a combined \$6,367 were stolen last month during an open house.

Missing items consist of a yellow gold diamond engagement ring, white gold ring and more.

Bells rung

A public safety officer lectured and released three pre-teen males from the Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods for ringing doorbells in the 900 block of Ballantyne at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25.

"The boys were strongly advised that there will be repercussions" if the prank recurs, said the officer. "The boys apologized and went on their way."

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Police checking

Two teenage girls out trick-or-treating at Wedgewood and North Renaud Saturday, Oct. 31 were approached by a teenage male in a mask who grabbed one of the girls by the arm. She was able to escape, and she and her friend ran to a house on North Oxford. They pointed to a car they thought had been following them. Witnesses were able to get the car's license number, which police

traced to a house on North Renaud. When police checked the address, the car was parked in the driveway, and the engine was warm. A 17-year-old male lives at the house, but no one came to the door when police knocked. The police continue to investigate.

Wrong door

A resident of an apartment complex on Vernier called police at 5:50 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30 after he heard someone trying to put a key into his front door lock. When the resident checked, he found a middle-aged man, dressed in a jean jacket and khakis, trying to open his front door. The resident said the suspicious man appeared to have been drinking. Police could not locate anyone who fit the description.

Home invasion

A 32-year-old Huntington resident returned from a business trip Thursday, Oct. 29 to find a sliding glass door into his kitchen unlocked and several items missing, including a laptop, sunglasses and several designer purses.

Neighbor problems

A Hampton Road resident called police on Monday, Oct. 26 to complain that his next door neighbor had been standing in front of his house yelling at him and his family. Apparently the neighbor was upset that a building inspector had been called to check on the status of a hot tub being installed in his backyard. The neighbor told police that he was not yelling at the resident, just speaking loudly, but the resident told police that he is considering pursuing harassment charges against the hot tub owner.

If you have information on these or any other crimes, call Grosse Pointe Woods police (313) 343-2400.

—Kathy Ryan

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan**

SPECIAL NOTICE
Holiday Rubbish Schedule for Veterans Day,
Wednesday, November 11, 2009

There will be no interruptions of residential or commercial rubbish or leaf pick up during the Veterans Day week.

All **rubish** and **leaf** collection routes will be collected according to their normal schedule.

Tuesday and Friday's **commercial** routes will be collected on schedule.

Thank You,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

G.P.N.: 11/5/2009

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

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on November 18, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

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| 1994 Dodge Shadow | 1B3XP28K7RN127843 |
| 1995 Dodge Neon | 1B3ES47C6SD191301 |
| 1992 Oldsmobile 88 | 1G3HN53L7N1830631 |
| 1999 Dodge Neon | 3B3ES47Y3XT602017 |
| 1992 Cadillac Seville | 1G6KS53B6NU834824 |
| 1994 Ford Aerostar | 1FTDA14U9RZB05257 |
| 1995 Chevrolet Tahoe | 1GNEC13K8S1440469 |
| 1995 Honda Civic | JHMEH9696SS007792 |
| 1991 Chevrolet Corsica | 1G1LT53T0ME192657 |
| 1994 Chevrolet Caprice | 1G1BL52P3RR180440 |

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

POSTED: Oct. 29, 2009
 PUBLISHED: Nov. 5, 2009

Sgt. Robert Bensinger
 Traffic Safety Section

EBI Project #61095105

ATC Outdoor DAS, LLC, a public utility, is proposing to install telecommunications equipment on an existing utility pole located on the northern side of Fisher Road approximately 200 feet northwest of the intersection of E. Jefferson Ave (Lake Shore Dr.) & Fisher Road., Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan. This property is zoned R1AA (Single Family Residential). ATC Outdoor DAS, LLC, a public utility proposes to install a DAS node antenna on top of a 38-foot utility pole at the Project Site. The node antenna will be 2-inches wide and 96 inches tall. A control box and a power meter will be attached to the pole. Coaxial cable will connect the power meter, control box, and DAS node antenna. American Tower Corporation seeks comments from all interested persons on the impact of the collocation on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, or culture, that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Specific information about the project, including the historic preservation reviews that American Tower has conducted pursuant to the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (47 C.F.R. Sections 1.1307(4)) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (36 C.F.R. Part 800) will be made available to interested persons who request the information from the contact below. All questions, comments, and correspondence should be directed to the following contact by November 28, 2009:

Jenna Metzник, **Director of Environmental Compliance**
 American Tower Corporation
 10 Presidential Way
 Woburn, Massachusetts 01801
Enviro.Services@americantower.com

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan**

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS
OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS
OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS
AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM RELATING THERETO

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "City"), intends to issue and sell its general obligation limited tax bonds in one, two or three series pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$7,500,000) for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping and re-equipping improvements to the water supply system of the City including without limitation a new water storage facility and related pumps, housing, piping, valves and meters, supervisory control and data acquisition system and related computer hardware and software, site security provisions, transmission and distribution lines and related pumps, piping, valves and meters (together, the "Project") and associated fees and costs of issuance of the bonds.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM, and are expected to be paid from, the general funds of the City lawfully available for such purposes including property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations. The City expects to pay principal and interest from the City's water supply revenues.

BOND DETAILS

EACH SERIES OF THE BONDS will be payable in annual installments not to exceed twenty-five (25) in number and will bear interest at a rate not to exceed seven percent (7%) per annum as determined at the time of sale.

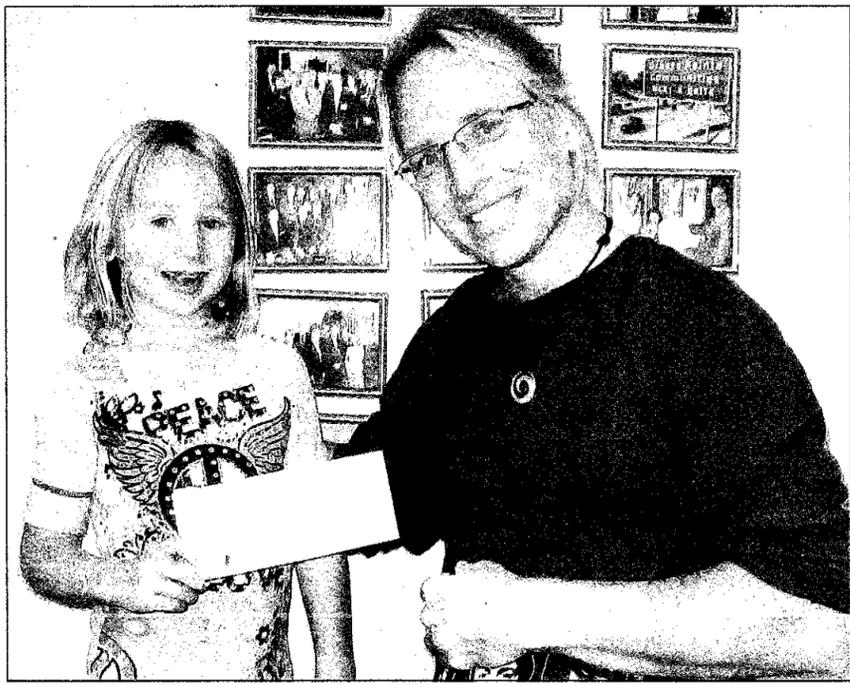
RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS RESIDING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY IS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS RESIDING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, MMC
 City Clerk
 City of Grosse Pointe Woods

G.P.N.: 11/5/2009.



Winner

Lindsey Duncan of the City of Grosse Pointe won the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's Needle in a Haystack recent Fair in Fall. She and her father, Gary, received a \$100 check. Lindsey told chamber President Mary Huebner she is saving for a pony.

Pointer of Distinction award nominees sought by Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for Pointer of Distinction awards. Categories are Youth Achievement, Community Service, Excellence in Business and New Business Enterprise. Youth Achievement nominees must be students who excel academically in a Grosse Pointe high school and participate in extra-curricular activities. Student must also be involved in one foundation or charitable ac-

tivity and provide letters of recommendation. Nominees for Community Service must be Grosse Pointe residents involved in, have an impact on and exhibit leadership in the community. Excellence in Business nominees must live or work in Grosse Pointe, be accomplished in the area of business and able to provide letters of recommendation. New Business Enterprise nominees must live or work in Grosse Pointe, have launched a successful business within

the last five years, have a solid business plan in place and be able to provide letters of recommendation. Those wanting to make a nomination can contact the chamber office at (313) 881-4722 to receive a nomination form. The completed form is then mailed to the candidate. All nominations must be received no later than Nov. 30. Winners are announced at the Chamber Annual General Membership Dinner Tuesday, Jan. 26.

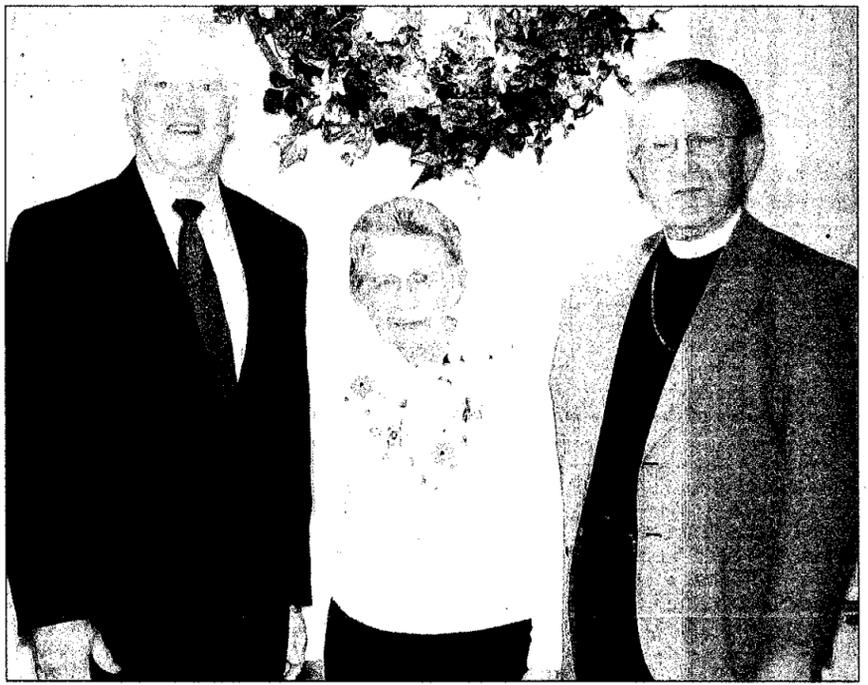


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Retirement

Nearly 70 people attended the retirement party last week for Eleanor "Hedy" Hedman at St. Paul Lutheran Church. She opened her bookstore, Hedy's Book & Gift Shop, in 1970 on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Previously, she worked for 30 years at Lutheran Social Services. Hedman said she was overwhelmed with love at seeing her longtime customers at her party. What's next for Hedman? "I will go home and clean up the mess of all the things I brought home with me from the shop, like records and such, and I will go see family in Minnesota for the holidays. I have traveled to Europe and the Holy Land so I don't need to travel much now. I have a blank journal to write all my stories and that will occupy some of my time."

Shoe charity stops in St. Clair Shores

A national charity is asking residents to search their souls and trade in a pair of "gently worn" soles to benefit Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac. During November, people who bring in used shoes to any Foot Solutions store in Metro Detroit receive \$10 off any shoe purchase or \$50 off any shoe and custom orthotic purchase. No purchase is necessary to donate shoes. From noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, the Soles4Souls RV Tour makes a stop at the Foot Solutions location at 21213 Harper Ave., St. Clair Shores. Silvana and Allan Clark, empty

nesters from the Pacific Northwest who have been traveling the back roads, main streets and freeways of America as "Brand Ambassadors" for Soles4Souls share their story. "When our younger daughter left for college, Allan and I saw the opportunity to be 'productive empty nesters,'" said Silvana Clark. "What better way than traveling the country to encourage others to donate shoes? It's fun and serves a purpose" Grace Centers of Hope assists men, women and children working toward improving their lives.

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Grosse Pointe News

Churches offer career networking group

Presenting options to jobless in the area

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

Problem:

What is the parish of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church doing for its jobless members?

Solution:

The organization of Eastside Take Control, an ecumenical career networking group.

Since its January inception, the need for career information and networking has grown. This fall, the group expanded from St. Paul's to encompass four other Grosse Pointe churches and has a kick-off meeting at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 9, at St. Paul's.

"It's a great way to start the

week for both men and women who have been let go, downsized, fired or their employers have gone out of business," said founder Mary Ellen Brayton.

"We are trying to serve the community's needs," said Gina Homminga of Grace Community Church in Detroit. "We see all different classes hurting — entry level jobs to executives who have lost jobs."

Brayton learned Homminga was doing a similar outreach program at her church and together they set up the enlarged ETC which includes Grace, St. Paul, St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Christ Church Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. They also enlisted the



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Assisting in Eastside Take Control, an ecumenical career networking group, are from left, the Rev. Tim Pelc of St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Sarah Sharp of St. Ambrose, Deacon Richard Shubik of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Mary Ellen Brayton of St. Paul, Gina Homminga of Grace Community Church, Richard Gibson of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, the Rev. Steve Wulfekuhle of St. Paul and David Dieter of Christ Church. These churches will host ETC once a month on a rotating basis.

assistance of volunteers Sarah Sharp, Pamela Hartmann and Steve Wulfekuhle, who along with Brayton, Homminga and guest speakers, provide information on specific job search related topics including re-

sume writing, interviewing skills, budgeting, spirituality, one-on-one counseling and success stories of previous members and networking.

"Our focus is hope," Homminga said. "There is

bleak news in Detroit. We are bringing hope."

Attending the meetings are 15 to 45 men and women who were tradesmen and women, administrative support, displaced CEOs and everything in between, Brayton said.

In a comfortable, accepting

Schedule

- Nov. 9 — St. Paul — The value of wellness for everyone and particularly those in transition
- Nov. 16 — St. Ambrose — Resume pointers from the pros
- Nov. 23 — Christ Church — Social networking using LinkedIn, Facebook, etc.
- Dec. 7 — Grace Community Church — Tips for Successful Business Networking
- Dec. 14 — St. Paul — Tune-up your job search plan
- Dec. 21 — St. Ambrose — Success stories
- Dec. 28 — Christ Church — Spirituality's role in the job search
- Jan. 4 — Grace Community Church — Emerging careers in a changing economy
- Jan. 11 — St. Paul — Assessment tools for job seekers
- Jan. 18 — St. Ambrose — Managing money on a tight budget
- Jan. 25 — Christ Church — Behavioral interviewing strategies

setting of a church, these jobless people hear stories similar to their own, she said.

Speakers have included the head of General Motors recruiting and retraining experts in the fields of entrepreneurship, energy, health care and federal jobs.

"We talk about the importance of faith and hope and going to church on a regular basis to keep focused," Brayton said.

The free meetings are open to the public.

"Our focus is hope."

GINA HOMMINGA,
Grace Community Church

Addresses:

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(313) 885-4841
Lead volunteer: Richard Gibson

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21001 Moross, Detroit
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Lead volunteer: Gina Homminga

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16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms
(313) 882-5330
Lead volunteer: Pamela Hartmann

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(313) 822-2814
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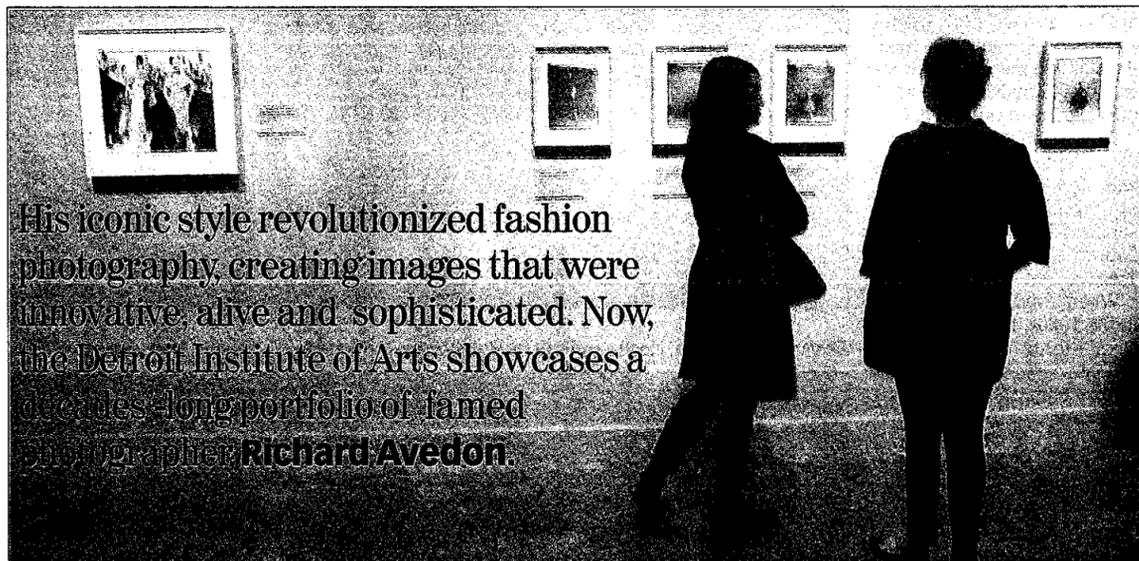
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His iconic style revolutionized fashion photography, creating images that were innovative, alive and sophisticated. Now, the Detroit Institute of Arts showcases a decades-long portfolio of famed photographer **Richard Avedon**.

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Barbara Mullen in a hat by Lilly Dache, New York, April 1955.

Fashion forward

"And if a day goes by without my doing something related to photography, it's as though I've neglected something essential to my existence, as though I had forgotten to wake up."
— Richard Avedon, 1970.

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

He was an unintended catalyst whose imaginative lens found models in motion. Through the pages of Harper's Bazaar and on the covers of Vogue, his distinctive photographs showed both chic insouciance and boundless vi-

talinity — and forever transformed the way fashion was featured.

Richard Avedon's women leaped off curbs, roller-skated across the Place de la Concorde and were captured in cafes and nightclubs in Paris.

They posed with elephants in elegant eveningwear by Dior, and lay daringly wrapped with a serpent, clad in nothing else but a simple, sophisticated bangle.

The late photographer's legendary style was revolutionary, unconventional even, and dramatically mirrored the social

and cultural changes around him.

Through Jan. 17, the Detroit Institute of Arts features "Avedon Fashion Photographs 1944-2000," with 181 photographs, engraver's prints, contact sheets and vintage magazines. The show, organized by the International Center of Photography in New York — where it debuted earlier this year — is the first major Avedon exhibit devoted solely to his fashion work.

"Avedon" mixes iconic images with dozens of surprises, from contact sheets that go behind the scenes to a dark

gallery of Parisian nightlife photographs illuminated only by spotlights.

The exhibition begins with Avedon's early work at Harper's Bazaar, where he was hired at age 21, instrumental in rejuvenating the post-World War II Paris fashion market.

In the 1960s, he became even more dramatic, placing his models — whom he considered vital collaborators — in settings that ranged from the exotic to the whimsical.

After briefly attending Columbia University, Avedon began as a photographer for the Merchant Marines in 1942,

"I've worked out of a series of no's. No to exquisite light, no to apparent compositions, not to the seduction of poses or narrative. And all these no's force me to the 'yes.' I have a white background. I have the person I'm interested in and the thing that happens between us." — Richard Avedon, 1988.

taking identification pictures of present. In 1944, he began the crewmen with the working as an advertising photo-Rolleiflex camera given to him by his father as a going-away

See **AVEDON**, page 2B

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by Sally



La Belle Antiques Etc.

It's time to ring in the holidays at LaBelle Antiques, Etc.! It's what we've been waiting for - the celebration has begun! Dawn and her vendors have been keeping an exciting selection of antique and collectible holiday items under wraps just for this special season. It's like opening your presents on Christmas morning! You're going to want to come early and shop often, as new items are unwrapped each week. Watch the store transform week by week into a winter wonderland of antique lovers holiday delights - right up until the Christmas culmination with carolers, holiday treats and a beautiful live tree. Open 11am-6pm Tuesday through Friday and 10am until 3pm on Saturday. Located at 24861 Harper Road, south of 10 Mile in St. Clair Shores. Call 586-445-3144 or visit the website at www.labelleantiques.com. Come to La Belle's and be a kid again!

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A message from Kay Anos Furs:

Kay Anos Furs has a new owner and will have a name change in the New Year. But for now the strategy is pure savings and meeting the clients. The entire Kay Anos inventory is being liquidated with savings of up to 80%.

Leathers, shearlings, accessories and furs from the previous owner must be sold and the Company will not be insulted if you make an offer on a piece that you like. The liquidation is being managed by Lazare's, well known in Canada since 1914, the same Lazare's that happens to be the new owner.

The plan is to sell out and then start to introduce a new collection of lightweight furs, handbags, cashmeres and fine wools from Italy, and unique accessories. This new collection will feature coats & jackets with price points starting as low as \$400 and running up to thousands if you should decide to purchase a Sable, Lynx or Chinchilla.

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AVEDON: Innovation on display

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tographer for a department store, but was quickly discovered by Alexey Brodovitch, the art director for Harper's Bazaar.

Throughout his career, Avedon maintained a unique style all his own — an artistic flair that brought a sense of sophistication and authority.

He launched several models to stardom, including Dovima and Suzy Parker, who many say paved the way for future supermodels, such as Twiggy, Lauren Hutton and Penelope Tree.

When Avedon joined Vogue in the 1960s, he embraced the Civil Rights movement and brought women of color and diverse ethnicities to its pages, including Detroit-native Donyale Luna, who visitors see first as they enter the exhibit.

West Bloomfield resident Sandie Weiss remembers when her mother's subscription brought Harper's Bazaar to the door each month. And Suzy Parker.

"She was the 'it' girl," she whispered quietly as she strolled the hushed gallery last week with a friend visiting from Canada.

Weiss says on a trip to Paris, she recognized places the famous photographer posed his models.

Bobbie Steinback, performing at the Detroit Opera House as Madame Armfeldt in "A Little Night Music," found a little time to wander through "Avedon."

"The exhibit is stunning. To see them all as art than just having seen them in a magazine is wonderful. They're alive."

"I've had a lot of people telling me — even men who come in here — they had no



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Dovima with Sacha, cloche and suit by Balenciaga, Cafe des Deux Magots, Paris, August 1955.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

One of the exhibit galleries shows Avedon's fashion photography in several magazines.

clue this would be such a beautiful exhibit," said exhibition curator Nancy Barr. As a student at the Center for

Creative Studies, Barr found herself on a photography field trip to Toronto — not knowing Avedon was also there.

"We sat on the floor and he talked to us — we were just in awe. He was such a legend ... people don't realize how important he was."

After 1990, Avedon worked for several magazines and exclusively on ad campaigns and catalogues for designer Gianni Versace. Works included collaborations with Naomi Campbell, Kate Moss and Stephanie Seymour. In 1992, he became the first staff photographer for the New Yorker, where he contributed several fashion essays.

While he continued work in fashion, Avedon turned to portraits, which he called his true passion. He drew many notable faces, including Marilyn Monroe, The Beatles, Orson Wells, Judy Garland and Bob Dylan. Famous for their minimalism, the portraits are often well lit and in front of white backdrops.

"There's always been a separation between fashion and what I call my 'deeper' work. Fashion is where I make my living. I'm not knocking it. It's a pleasure to make a living that way. It's a pleasure, and then there's the deeper pleasure of doing my portraits. It's not important what I consider myself to be, but I consider myself to be a portrait photographer," he said in a 1974 interview.

Jennifer Marker of Dearborn and Ericka Decamillis of Allen Park say they regularly visit the DIA for its latest exhibit, but were especially intrigued to see "Avedon."

"I'm learning a little more about him. It's one thing to hear about him, but to come here to see him is interesting," said Decamillis, who has a background in marketing.

"We both love fashion and it's what it's all about ... to see what he's done to evolve fashion photography," Marker said.

Avedon died from a brain hemorrhage in 2004, but left behind a legacy of 500,000 negatives.

Tickets to the exhibit include museum admission are are \$2 for adults, \$6 for ages 6-17 and \$10 each for adult groups of 15 or more. Visit dia.com for more information. The Detroit Institute of Arts is located at 5200 Woodward Ave.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Yoga

Gautam Jain speaks on the use and abuse of meditation from 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Yoga Shelter, 17000 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Woods. Suggested donations are \$20 for one lecture, \$35 for two lectures or \$45 for three lectures. No refunds will be given. Proceeds benefit the Vedanta Cultural Center. For more information, call (313) 884-YOGA.

War on Cancer

Founder of Less Cancer, Bill Couzens, discusses choices in tough economic times and nutrition from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Poets Follies

Poets Follies begins at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Ewald Branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. David Matlin reads a collection of his poetry and prose. Poet, novelist and freelance writer, Lori A. May, is also featured. For more information, call (313) 886-2051.



Flag waver

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Lilly Geer, a kindergartner at Maire Elementary School, shows off her new American flag. Each year, the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of Grosse Pointe provides Grosse Pointe kindergartners a flag when the children have learned the Pledge of Allegiance. The flags are delivered to the schools in honor of Columbus Day, the day which the pledge was first used in schools.

Garden Club

Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at Jo-Ann Fabrics and Crafts, 20600 E. 13 Mile, Roseville, for a floral class. The cost is \$10. Make check payable to Dolores Serra and mail to 1260 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230. Bring your own material or buy it at Jo-Ann's. Lunch is provided by Doris Gardner and Roma Thrasher.

Boutique

The American House East I, 17255 Common, Roseville, hosts its annual Arts and Crafts Boutique from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8.

Rotary

Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Michigan, is the noon speaker Monday, Nov. 9, at the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Lunch and Learn

Listen to true stories of life in rural Africa from Detroit Zoo's Education Specialist David Gakure from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the Valade

Healing Arts Center, located within the St. John Hospital and Medical Center complex. Admission is free. Bring lunch.

Herb society

The Herb Society of America/Grosse Pointe Unit meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call Barbara Hayes at (313) 881-1237. The meeting is open to the public.

Questers

The Pettipointe Questers Chapter No. 243 meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, with hostess Mary Lou LeFevre and co-hostess Sally Brownlee. The program is "The History of Wallpaper" given by Peggy Woodhouse.

DAR

The Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution of Grosse Pointe meets Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Grosse Pointe Society, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The brunch, meeting and tour begins at 10 a.m. and is

followed by a genealogy workshop for non-DAR members beginning at 12:30 p.m. Both events are limited to 30 participants. This half-day workshop is open to the public. Participants should bring birth, marriage and death records.

Members must RSVP to Linda Benson by Monday, Nov. 9, at (313) 963-1015.

For more information, call (313) 881-7010 or visit info@gphistorical.org.

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital

Chicago-based cabaret vocalist Joan Curto sings American classics from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, at the Assumption Culture Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. This fundraiser benefits the Mary Gene Buhl Opperman Women's Diagnostic Center and is sponsored by the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Auxiliary.

Tickets cost \$35 and may be purchased at the hospital gift shop or by calling (313) 881-9387.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe present a tres Parisien cabaret with entertainment by chanteuse Claudia Hommel and singer/pianist Elizabeth Doyle to observe 2009 Beaujolais Nouveau at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Reservations must be made by Friday, Nov. 13. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members. Call Christiane at (586) 777-4602 for reservations.

Soroptimist

Soroptimist members are selling holiday ornaments fea-



Lions check

Representatives from Delta Gamma were the recipients of a \$1,500 check from the Grosse Pointe Lions Club to help the organization purchase equipment used to conduct vision screenings for Grosse Pointe preschoolers. From left, Ann Baxter, Don Lang, Cary Sottrell, Carrier Calcaterra, Bill Hollister and Rob Lyles.

turing the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for \$10. They may be purchased at Flagstar banks, the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Grosse Point Art Center, Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, the War Memorial and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

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Veterans Day Breakfast, Wednesday, Nov. 11 — A special tribute to veterans features Lt. Col. Steve White, USMC, who discusses what active duty service men and women are doing.

Garden Events, Saturday, Nov. 14 — Children ages 5-11 can discover and develop the joys of gardening and farming in two special programs

Secret Agent Spybotics, Saturday, Nov. 14 — Youngsters ages 9-12 can enter the world of secret agents, high-tech robots and head on a virtual journey around the globe to complete daring missions.

Traditional Family Brunch, Sunday, Nov. 15 — Prepared by the War Memorial culinary staff, the Sunday brunch is in the Crystal Ballroom.

Wine and Dine, Friday, Nov. 6 — Learn how to match food and wine, Spanish style, with Master Sommelier Claudia Tyagi and the War Memorial's Chef Chad Harbin. Enjoy a strolling buffet, featuring a five-course menu with recommended Spanish wines.

Coin Collecting for Fun and Profit, Tuesday, Nov. 17 — With gold and silver are at or near all-time record prices, learn how coins may make a good investment as well as a fun hobby.

"The King and I" — Grosse Pointe Theatre presents the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. Performances Nov. 11-15 and 18-22.

Chihuly Toledo! Wednesday, Nov. 18 — Experience firsthand the amazing works of glass by Dale Chihuly on this tour program to the Toledo Museum of Art.

Ethel Merman's Broadway, Thursday, Nov. 19 — A musical review starring Rita McKenzie as Ethel Merman, the Queen of Broadway, at The Gem Theatre. The program includes a special lunch at The Century Grille.

To register for the programs, and for more information on these and other classes and events at the War Memorial, call (313) 881-7511.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Ecumenical breakfast

Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Breakfast meets from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. Friday, Nov. 6, in the Fellowship Hall of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker will

be John Carter of the Life Wind International group. For more information, call (313) 882-5330.

Aerobics

Low impact dance aerobics is



Danny Foster is Willy Wonka in the First Evangelical Lutheran Church's production of "Willy Wonka."



Cast members, back row from left, Kaitlyn LaMagno, the Rev. Jerry Eisholz, Danny Foster as Willy Wonka and Jeff Sloss; front row from left, Christina Kamm, Jeremy Harr and Rebecca Sloss.

offered from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesdays and from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at First English Evangelical Church Fellowship Hall, 8000 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The six-week session costs \$62 and begins the week of Nov. 9.

For more information about the classes offered by Fitness Firm, call (313) 886-7434.

Eastside Take Control

Eastside Take Control: The Ecumenical Career Networking Group meets at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 9, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157

Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The topic is "The Value of Wellness for Everyone and Particularly Those in Transition." For more information, visit stpaulonthelake.org.

LTA

"Everything You Wanted to Know About Islam, But Never had a Chance to Ask" is the topic of speaker Najah Bazy at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Christ Church Episcopal Grosse Pointe, 251 Lincoln, City of Grosse Pointe.

She is CEO of Diversity Specialists and Transcultural Health Care Solutions and the executive director and founder

of Zaman International, a non-profit humanitarian organization which provides Hope for Humanity.

Willy Wonka

The Laughter and Inspiration at First English PLAYERS present the musical "Willy Wonka" Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 13-15, in The Luther Center at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Dinner begins at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and the

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Admission for dinner and the play is \$18 and \$13 for students.

The play only costs \$10 or \$7 for students.

Advanced tickets can be purchased by calling the church office at (313) 884-5040.

The production is directed by Bruce Udell and Robert Foster is musical director. Technical and behind-the-scenes support is managed by Alan Blohm, David Cornell, Paula Doak, John Gryniwicz, Chrissy Hess and Kevin Hendricks.

The cast includes Danny Foster as Willy Wonka, Michael

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Perhaps it was after a loved one's illness slowly progressed to where he or she needed help at home or after a sudden tragic accident or illness.

Your caregiving responsibility may be short-term, long-term or indefinite. Whatever the circumstances, the road ahead may seem long and un-

certain. Know you're not alone. Although you may feel isolated, family caregivers are part of a larger community.

More than 44.4 million people in the United States, or 21 percent, serve as unpaid caregivers to an adult family member or friend. One may find a coworker cares for an elderly parent at home, or a friend might be a caregiver to a spouse with a serious illness. Each caregiver situation is unique, yet all share common experiences that are physical, emotional and spiritual as well as economic and legal.

What's most important is to know its OK to ask for help. Caregiving presents considerable challenges; there is no reason to suffer in silence. It is always OK to seek and ask for help.

Do not feel guilty or as if you've failed? Help is available and seek it, even if you feel you don't need it. There are services and information, training and counseling programs to help.

The life of the person you are caring for has likely changed forever. Likewise, yours may change — perhaps dramatically — as you adjust

your already busy life to include caring for another person. You may feel socially isolated and as if you are the only person in the world facing the struggles of caregiving. However if you reach out for help and information, you might discover stories of other caregivers mirror yours. You may also find they can voice feelings you are unable to describe. Many people find comfort in knowing they are not alone.

You may not realize you are a caregiver. Caregivers provide assistance with daily living activities to those who struggle to do them.

The following are some of the duties:

- ◆ Transportation and running errands
- ◆ Grocery shopping and meal preparation
- ◆ Housework and laundry
- ◆ Medication assistance and reminders
- ◆ Managing finances and services
- ◆ Assistance with personal care (bathing, getting dressed, toileting, and getting in and out of bed and chairs)

The increase in the elderly population has led to family

caregivers being seen in a more formal sense by the health care industry, government and the community. As a result, there has been a steady rise in the number of advocacy groups and government programs available to help with counseling, education, training and legal and financial needs. The following resources are recommended:

National Alliance for Caregiving — caregiving.org
National Family Caregivers Association — familycaregiver.org

Well Spouse Association — wellspouse.org

While bathing and feeding someone may seem like simple tasks, there are tips and tricks to make assisting in these activities easier. Safety is also an issue, especially since most care recipients are elderly or disabled in some way. The AARP offers free online seminars on various aspects of family caregiving at aarp.org.

Navigating the health care maze

Patients, family caregivers and even health professionals

often do not know what Medicare and health insurance will cover. Family members and patients are frequently shocked to find insurance won't pay for many services and items needed at home routinely paid for in the hospital. Unless a care recipient has long-term care insurance, many home care needs are covered only for a short-term period or not at all. This includes home care aides or attendants.

To help navigate the complicated health care maze, know what insurance will cover and for how long; identify and use all available resources; and be assertive about your rights.

If you don't know where to begin, start with a local organization, such as senior service organizations for assistance. Here are more tips:

- ◆ Your caregiving journey may be rewarding and difficult. Remember, you are not alone as a family caregiver and help is out there.
- ◆ Take charge of your life, and don't let your loved one's illness or disability always take center stage.
- ◆ Remember to be good to yourself. Love, honor and val-

ue yourself. You're doing a very hard job and you deserve some quality time. Watch out for signs of depression, and don't delay in getting professional help.

◆ When people offer to help, accept it and suggest specific things they can do.

◆ Educate yourself about your loved one's condition. Information is empowering.

◆ There's a difference between caring and doing. Be open to technologies and ideas that promote your loved one's independence.

◆ Trust your instincts. Most of the time, they'll lead you in the right direction.

◆ Grieve for your losses and allow yourself to dream new dreams.

◆ Stand up for your rights as a caregiver.

◆ Seek support from other caregivers. There is great strength in knowing you are not alone.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Jennifer J. Kendall

Individualized program offered by Montessori



I am starting to research pre-school options for my child and came across the Montessori programs. What are the benefits of this type of education?

Montessori programs offer children an individualized program in a full classroom setting. The materials are introduced to all children by their teacher and the children choose work that is of interest to them. Maria Montessori felt that "we should not fill children with facts, but rather cultivate their own natural desire to learn."

The classrooms have a practical life area where children develop fine motor skills through care for their environment; a sensorial area where children learn color, size, texture and weight; and academic materials in language arts, math, science and social studies.

What are the differences between a play-based pre-school and Montessori pre-school?

Children in Montessori classrooms are introduced to different materials throughout their Montessori years. Each of the materials presented by the teacher has a purpose. As an example, while both play-based and Montessori classrooms have blocks, a Montessori class-

SAVE the DATE

- ◆ Jennifer J. Kendall presents information on Montessori education
- ◆ 7 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, Nov. 11
- ◆ The Grosse Pointe Academy in the Early School Building on the Grosse Pointe Academy campus.
- ◆ The session is free and open to the public.
- ◆ For more information, call (313) 886-122, ext. 145.

room has the Pink Tower of 10 varying-shaped blocks. The tower is a Montessori material used to help develop coordination, set a basis for the number system and increase awareness of dimension.

What are the benefits to having my child in a multi-age classroom?

Maria Montessori believed younger children benefit from the community formed with the older children. The multi-age classroom allows younger children to learn from the older students, model their behaviors and give older students a chance to reinforce their own knowledge by helping the younger students.

Q. How do I know if my child is ready for school?

A. All children develop and reach milestones at different times. Signs your child is ready for school include an interest in being independent, a desire to play with other children, and an ability to follow directions. At about 2 1/2 to 3 years old, many children exhibit these characteristics and are ready for school. Touring a pre-school with your child is highly recommended, as it gives you a chance to see your child in the school environment and hear more about the school's programs and philosophy.

Kendall is the early and lower school principal at The Grosse Pointe Academy.

The Family Center, a 501(c)3, non-profit organization, serves as the community's centralized hub for information, resources and referral for families and professionals. To view more Ask The Experts articles, visit familycenterweb.org.

E-mail questions to info@familycenterweb.org. To volunteer or contribute, visit familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.

Valade Healing Arts Center classes

The Valade Healing Arts Center, located within the St. John Hospital and Medical Center, offers a variety of classes and services.

Call (313) 647-3320 to register for all classes, which are all held on the third floor of the Van Elslander Cancer Center on the hospital campus.

The following is a list of classes/services for November:
Intro to Reiki Evening — 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19.

Reiki is an ancient, Japanese healing method. This evening is an opportunity to experience a free mini, hands-on reiki session. Participants also receive an explanation about reiki energy healing and the benefits of using reiki. Registration is not required. Donations help support the oncology fund for the Healing Arts Center.

Reiki Class — 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Reiki is an ancient, Japanese, hands-

on healing method. Students learn the history of reiki, basic hand positions and ways to use this energy in their lives and in service to others.

Aura Photography — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Discover your aura — the energy field that radiates through and around all living things. Participants are provided with a color photo of their aura and chakras during their 20-minute appointment. The cost is \$30.

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Stewardship Sunday

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church members enjoyed the fall weather Oct. 25 while observing the dedication of its members. A food concession stand was located in the parking lot after services and children enjoyed playing in bales of straw set out for their amusement. Left, 4-year-old Andrew Ouellette enjoyed riding the pony on hand so much, he saddled up four times.



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CHURCH: Activities in the community

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Maurice as the Candy Man, Bruce Udell as Phineous Trout, Kaitlyn LaMagno as Charlie Bucket, Amy Cornell as Mrs. Bucket and Glenn Cornell is Mr. Bucket.

Other actors include Joanne McClure, Patty Foster, the Rev. Walter Schmidt, the Rev. Jerry Elsholz, Brian Kadrich, Kristin LaMagno, Kristina Kamm, Jeff Sloss, Jeremy Harr, Rebecca Sloss, Christina Swanson, Paula Doak and Sam Formicola.

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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

Not all daily newspapers are ailing



dustry in the U.S. which saw a 10.6 percent circulation drop overall.

The Oakland Press was third among national leaders in circulation gains this year at 7.26 percent.

USA Today was down 17 percent; the New York Times was off 7.2 percent during the week and 2.5 percent Sundays; the Los Angeles Times recorded a decline of 11 percent weekdays and 6.7 percent Sundays; and the Washington Post fell 6.4 percent and 5 percent.

Among other major dailies, the San Francisco Chronicle was down 23 percent overall, while the Miami Herald was down 23 percent weekdays and 14.6 percent Sundays. The Boston Globe was down 18.4 percent weekdays.

I believe there are thousands, probably millions of people, who feel as I do about a daily newspaper.

How can a day start off properly without a newspaper to read? Reading from the Internet doesn't do it.

In the first place, my computer chair was not made to lounge.

Furthermore, after much time reading on the Internet, my eyes cry for relief.

I get my important daily news from Jim Lehrer's nightly report on national television. I also listen to national public radio and learn a great deal about what's going on in the nation and world from the Diane Rheaume interview show and the others.

I also read The Week, a magazine that gives the tip of the

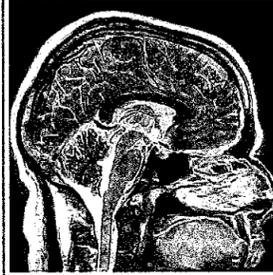
iceberg on practically all the news of the world. I can peruse more information on the topics that interest me most on the Internet.

Here's some interesting information: Halloween is now the second largest commercial holiday, beating out Easter and Valentine's Day.

According to the National Retail Federation 2009 Consumer Intentions & Actions Survey, consumers are expected to spend an average of \$56.31 each on Halloween; down from \$66.54 last year.

Considering there are many like me who acknowledge Halloween only with the purchase of a pumpkin, you can see how much others must spend.

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'The King and I' opens Nov. 8

"The King and I" opens with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, Nov. 8 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Presented by the Grosse Pointe Theatre, the performance is based on the book, "Anna and the King," by Margaret Landon and takes place in Siam in 1862. English widow, Anna Leonowens, and her young son arrive at the Royal Palace in Bangkok, summoned by the King to serve as tutor to his many children and wives. The King, considered by westerners to be a barbarian, seeks Anna's help to change his image, if not his ways.

Despite the firm grip each has on their respective traditions and values, Anna and the King grow to understand and respect one another in this love story.

Directed by Susan Davis of Grosse Pointe Farms, the cast features Theresa Selvaggio of Grosse Pointe Farms as Anna Leonowens, Grosse Pointe Park residents Mike Trudel as the King and Allison

McClelland as Tuptim, Grosse Pointe Farms resident Lisa Johnson as Lady Thiang, and Macomb Township resident Don Bischoff as Lun Tha, Algonac resident Randy Skotarczyk as the Kralahome and Birmingham resident Frank "Scott" Davis as Sir Edward Ramsay.

Other cast members include: Grosse Pointe Park residents Jimmy Menchl, Nick Muer, Claire Zimmeth, Elizabeth Trudel, Teresa Oxholm, Deidre McKeever, Perry Calisi, Tom Woodman, David Trudel, Gino Calisi, Bianca Calisi, Rae Anne Woodman, Evelyn Woodman, Elaina Calisi; City of Grosse Pointe residents Mike Evans, Emma Kruse, Charles Kruse, Catherine Hartz, Avery Platt, Olivia Baratta, Mia Turco, Emma Turco, Patricia Allen, and Wilson Livingston; Grosse Pointe Farms residents Alexandra Miller, Naphat Pewnorn, William Johnson and Greta Johnson; Grosse Pointe Woods residents Christina Amato, Becky Fogle song, Ian Leszczynski, and Sophie Leszczynski;



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Theresa Selvaggio as Anna and Mike Trudel as The King in Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "The King and I."

Grosse Pointe Shores residents Joanna Harr and Leslie Jacobs; Harper Woods residents Sydney Yonkus and Ralph Cochrane; New Baltimore resident Megan Breen; Algonac resident Kat Skotarczyk; Harrison Township resident Kara Sogge; Warren resident Ethan Rymiszewski; St. Clair Shores resident Anneliese Lechner; and Detroit residents Cliff Levin and Matt Becker. The show's producer is Jon Lechner of Warren. Tickets are \$22 and group rates are available. Call (313)

881-4004 or visit the ticket office from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday, at 315 Fisher Road, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Additional performances are: 8 p.m. Nov. 12-14; 2 p.m. Nov. 15; 8 p.m. Nov. 18-20; and 2 p.m. Nov. 21.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial offers dinner in the Fries Crystal Ballroom before evening shows, and a brunch before the 2 p.m. matinee Nov. 15.

Call the War Memorial at (313) 881-7511 to make reservations.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

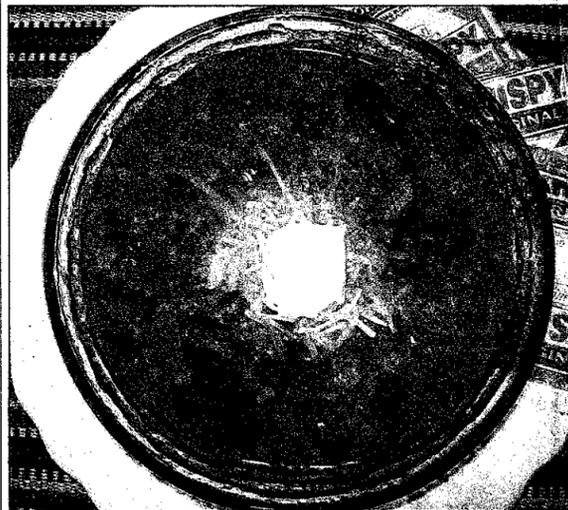


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Chase off the chilly weather with a bowl of turkey chili.

It's 'chili' weather

The chili season is here, whether you're talking food or the weather. I'm talking food and there's nothing like brewing a big pot of chili on an autumn afternoon. I started with the usual chili "fixins" and finished with a dash of cinnamon. Yummy.

Saturday Afternoon Chili

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cups diced onion
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 2 1/2 lbs. ground turkey
- 2 15-oz. cans diced tomatoes (Mexican style)
- 2 15-oz. cans dark red kidney beans, drained
- 2 15-oz. cans black beans, drained
- 2 15-oz. cans chicken broth
- 1 4-oz. can tomato paste
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 1 tablespoon cumin seeds
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- dash of cayenne pepper (optional)

Heat oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and saute for a few minutes. Add the turkey and cook and stir until it is cooked throughout, about 10 to 15 minutes. Add all remaining ingredients, stir well and bring to a boil. Lower the heat to a simmer and cook (covered) for about an hour, stirring occasionally.

Serve piping hot topped with fresh chopped onion and shredded cheddar cheese. Saturday afternoon chili boasts a rich flavor without being too spicy. It's perfect for a crowd.

This week's column is dedicated to John McDonald, "the butcher" from Village Market. John was the best and the nicest butcher I was lucky to know. He will be greatly missed by many.

Soupy Sales display returns to historical museum

In honor of the recent death of Soupy Sales, the Detroit Historical Museum is bringing back elements of its recent exhibit, Detroit's Classic TV Personalities.

The display continued through Sunday, Dec. 6.

Soupy Sales was early Detroit television's first and biggest star. Born Milton Supman, Sales hosted both a lunchtime children's show and an evening sketch comedy/live jazz show for adults on WXYZ-TV before moving on to national household name status.

The display features a variety of memorabilia from Sales and his wife, Trudy's, personal collection, including props from his children's show such as White Fang and Black

Tooth arm puppets, a Pookie the Lion puppet, one of his signature bow ties, and books, records and other collectibles.

Some additional local Sales items displayed are from the collection of Ed Golick, who maintains the website, detroitkidshow.com.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Regular adult admission is \$6. Seniors 60-plus, college students with valid college ID, and youth ages 5-17 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is free. Parking in the museum's lot is \$4.



Detroit Historical Museum has a tribute to the late Soupy Sales through Dec. 6.

Submit original works to Art Center

The Grosse Pointe Art Center is looking for artists to submit work to show and sell in the GPAC gallery-wide Holiday Shop.

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CROSS COUNTRY & SOCCER

Regional championships

Liggett's boys boot state champ

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Liggett's late-season drought has been swept under the rug after it beat defending state champ Auburn Hills Oakland Christian 2-1 in a Division 4 regional championship game last weekend.

Oakland Christian played in the last two Division 4 state title games, but the Knights made sure it would not play in a third by winning the game played at Rochester Hills Stoney Creek.

"This is a nice upset win and one of our biggest wins in several years," head coach David Backhurst said. "The weather conditions were horrible in the first half, but the sun came out when the second half began, which made for a better game."

The squads split two regular season meetings with each winning on their home field. Liggett won 1-0 Sept. 8 and lost 2-1 Sept. 29. The outcome of this game advanced to the final four.

"We won the coin toss and



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Senior Joey Shannon, No. 11, scored the winning goal on this shot in the Knights' regional title game over defending state champ Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

elect to take the win," Backhurst said. "The wind advantage was huge, but somehow it was a 1-1 game at the half."

Senior Noah Saganski sent a pass down the sidelines that freshman Peter Hopkins caught up to in the corner. He kicked a crossing pass that the wind bent like a boomerang past Oakland Christian's goalie into the back of the net.

"The wind definitely helped us on that goal," Backhurst said.

Oakland Christian, complete with two all-state forwards, tied the game before

the rain came and the winds kicked up another notch.

Early in the second half, senior sweeper Rory Deane was given a yellow card, so Backhurst moved senior forward Dan Zukas to that spot for the 10 minutes Deane was on the bench.

"The guys picked up their play and that was the key to the win," Backhurst said. "Everyone played well when Rory was on the bench and we kept the momentum."

Senior Joey Shannon scored the winning goal with

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South's girls run by foes in Division 1

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South continued its drive for perfection last weekend, winning a Division 1 regional championship at Metro Beach.

South had 35 points, followed by Troy and Birmingham Seaholm with 51 and 57 points, respectively. Each of the three squads advance to this weekend's state championship meet.

Grosse Pointe North will also have a representative at the state finals, junior Kailey Sickmiller, who finished 11th with a time of 19:37.1. The top 15 individuals also earned a spot in the finals.

Rounding out the regional field was Troy Athens, fourth with 132 points, followed by Grosse Pointe North with 138, Warren Mott with 217, Berkley with 249, Royal Oak with 252, Warren Cousino with 265, Sterling Heights with 283, Birmingham Groves with 294, Detroit Pershing with 310,

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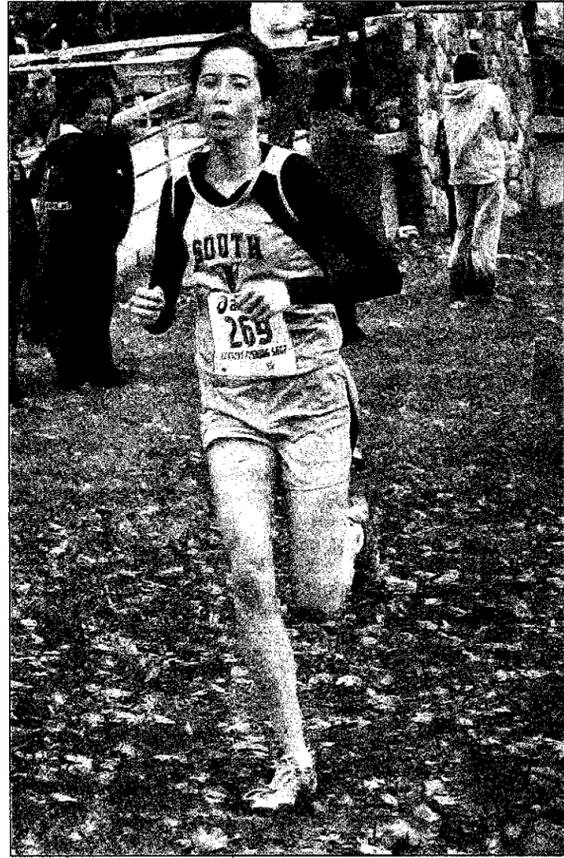


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Freshman Hannah Meier won the Division 1 regional meet that helped Grosse Pointe South's girls' cross country team take first place.

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Football

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Running game, defense fuel playoff win

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

At this point in the season, it's about surviving.

The state playoff's one-and-done format simply means teams that win continue to play.

Grosse Pointe North headed into its playoff-opening contest Oct. 30 against Port Huron knowing full well that a win was a must if the season was to continue.

After all the dust settled on brisk evening, the Norsemen got the job done, winning 43-22. They now prepare for a district title encounter with Warren De La Salle, the team that knocked them out of the playoffs a year ago.

Although the score might appear lopsided, the battle was a tough for North.

"They've got some great athletes on that team," North coach Frank Sumbera said.

Port Huron's athletes struck first in the contest, thanks to the swift legs of sophomore quarterback Justin Black. The 15-yard scramble put the Big Reds up 6-0.

North answered on the very next possession, capping an impressive drive off with a 4-yard touchdown run by standout Tommie Watkins.

The shootout continued in the opening quarter when Port Huron's David Foster caught a



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE
Grosse Pointe North junior Jimmy Guest rushed for more than 100 yards to help the Norsemen win its playoff opener.

70-yard scoring pass from Black. A pair of penalties after the score forced the Big Reds out of extra-point range, thus giving the squad a 12-7 lead.

True to form, North answered in the closing mo-

ments of the quarter. North signal-caller A.J. Brooks found Jordan Ulmer from 19-yards out and moved the Norsemen into the lead, 14-12, at the end of the opening quarter.

"We knew they had good receivers," Sumbera said. "We knew they had a good offense. We needed to keep the ball away from them. If we could do that we knew we had a chance."

North did just that in the closing frame of the half, outscoring the Big Reds 8-3 in the second quarter to take a 22-15 lead into the intermission.

North's defense continued to play well in the third quarter, while Watkins added another touchdown on the scoreboard in the quarter, pushing the lead to 29-15 after three quarters.

"Their defense was good," Black said. "They got pressure on me, and they ran the ball really well. You have to give them credit."

The fourth quarter was more of the same from the Norsemen defense and Watkins (29 carries for 190 yards and three touchdowns). A 1-yard plunge from Port Huron's Marc Titus was the only points the Big Reds could muster in the closing 12 minutes, while Watkins found pay dirt from 3-yards and 9-yards out respectively.

Along with the defensive effort from the Norsemen, the squad rushed for 309 yards on the day, as compared with 83 yards for Port Huron. The potent rushing attack helped



Senior Je'Juan Henderson caught this pass that set up another Grosse Pointe North touchdown in the win over Port Huron.

North control the clock and keep the Big Reds offense on the sidelines.

Next up for North is Warren De La Salle. The Pilots head to North on the heels of a 20-0

victory over Grosse Pointe South. Kick off is at 7 p.m. Nov. 6, at Grosse Pointe North. A district championship is at stake, as well as survival in the state tournament.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils drop playoff opener to DeLaSalle

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's football team learned a valuable lesson during its Division 2 pre-district playoff game last weekend.

The host Blue Devils, playing its first state playoff game in several years, stood nose-to-nose with Warren DeLaSalle, but in the end the more experienced Pilots won 20-0.

"We had a good game plan and we knew we could play with them, but I think the combination of their playoff experience and our lack of playoff experience was the difference," head coach Tim Brandon said. "Their lines were huge on both sides of the ball and that was the difference in the game."

The Blue Devils never got its offense on track, but a superb defensive effort kept the game scoreless for the first three quarters.

Things looked even better when the defense knocked

Pilots starting quarterback, Steve Laudicina, out of the game early in the fourth quarter.

However, on the first play with backup Sterling Johnson behind center, Pilots' top running back, De'Angelo Parris, broke off a 47-yard run for what turned out to be the winning touchdown.

The ensuing kickoff was the biggest of the game. DeLaSalle surprised South with an onside kick. The kick hit the back of a South player and the Pilots recovered.

Seven plays later, Johnson threw a TD pass and the PAT made it 14-0 with 6:57 left.

Earlier in the season, the Blue Devils were in the same position at Sterling Heights and rallied to score the game's final 21 points in the final six minutes to win 21-14.

There would be no comeback this time against the experienced Pilots, who held the Blue Devils on downs to get the ball back.

This time it took five plays

for the Pilots to score to put the game out of range.

Leading the offense for the home team were senior running back Alex Koski, junior quarterback Ben Fry, senior wide receiver Tim Rogers and junior wide receiver Victor Mattison.

Defensively, senior linebacker Will Basse joined junior linebackers Will Reeves and Stanley Scott to keep Parris in check. Other than the 47-yard run, he was contained.

Grosse Pointe South finished the season 7-3 overall and with a Macomb Area Conference Blue Division championship. They outscored its foes 236-140.

"We will not rebuild, but we will reload next season," Brandon said. "Our freshman and junior varsity teams have had great success the past couple of seasons and we feel we will have some very good football teams coming to the varsity squad next season."

"Our 2010 season begins tomorrow."

WHO TO ROOT FOR?



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Bragging rights

Grosse Pointe resident David Van Eslander was on in the stands cheering on his sons last weekend during a first-round state football playoff game. His younger son, David, plays for Grosse Pointe South and his older son, Doug, is a starting linebacker for Warren DeLaSalle, which won the game 20-0. David Sr. will now get a chance to watch Doug play the other Grosse Pointe football squad, North, in a second-round game Friday, Nov. 6, at North.

RED BARONS

South eases past North

Tarin Allison took the third play from scrimmage to the house and quarterback Daniel Robinson kicked the extra point to give North a 7-0 lead in the opening minutes of the Red Barons junior varsity rivalry football game.

Romari Ennis-Rodgers and Joe Haddad answered with runs of their own for South and Brian Blanz hooked up with Ennis-Rodgers on passes of 15 and 28 yards for touchdowns. Haddad slashed off tackle for the extra point to tie the game.

Allison and DVonte Owens sliced through the South line, and five plays later North had regained the lead 13-7. South's Kareem Muhammad responded with a dazzling cut back

move in South's ensuing drive, dashing 42 yards to tie the score at 13.

North's Robinson and full-back Tommy Burke led a third scoring drive, culminating in another 35-yard touchdown run by Allison.

South answered on its next drive with a 50-yard strike from Haddad to Ennis-Rodgers. Haddad put South ahead, 20-19, scoring with an off tackle extra point.

The South defense stiffened in the middle quarters, led by twin linebackers Sam and Brian Blanz and Scott Brooks, as well as the defensive play of Mike Calcaterra, Jon Martinuzzi and Mike Mitchell.

South's offensive line, led by

Jake Crillo, Craig Engel, Ryan McWood, Patrick Nauert, Luke Davey and A.J. Stevenson, pounded out two more scoring drives to widen the lead.

Haddad added the first touchdown on an off tackle blast, while Ennis-Rodgers dazzled with a 55-yard run. Haddad kicked the two-point conversion.

In the 4th quarter, Owens swept end for a 58-yard TD and added the extra point on a beautiful scramble.

Daniel Robinson later threw a 59-yard scoring strike to Kobe Henry to draw within eight points, but interceptions by South's Caleb DeBerry and Haddad, who returned his 60 yards for a score, preserved the win for South 41-33.



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER
Grosse Pointe South linebackers Will Reeves, No. 39, and Will Basse, No. 44, tackle DeLaSalle tight end Steve O'Shell during a first-round playoff game last weekend.

Girls volleyball

RIVALS

North
ousts
SouthBy Bob St. John
Sports Editor

City rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South met Monday night in the first round of a Class A district tournament.

The squads also met last fall in the first round with North winning.

The Norsemen made it back-to-back wins over the Blue Devils, winning 25-19, 29-27, 25-13.

"The girls were really focused and quiet before the match, which is a little unusual for them," North head coach Kim Lockhart said. "They really wanted this win and they played pretty well tonight to get it."

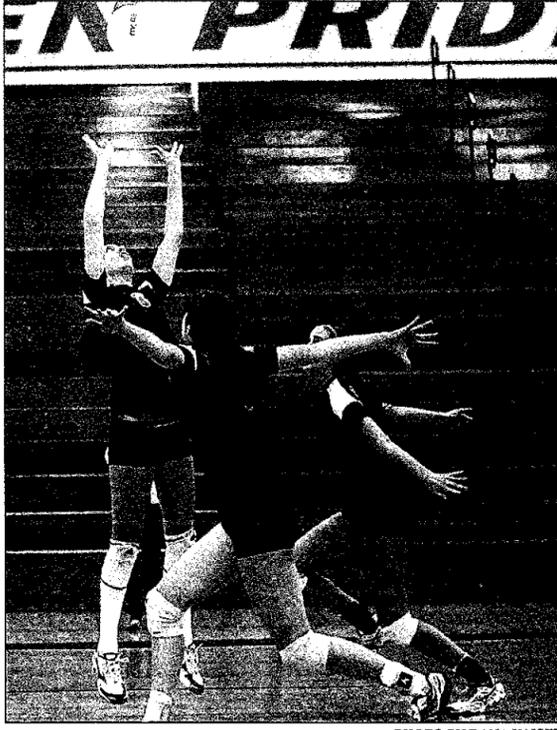
"I thought we did everything in our power to win, but we fell a little short," South head coach Ryan Welser said. "It's disappointing, but we gave it our best shot."

The first two games were nip and tuck, but somehow the host Norsemen found a way to win.

Game one was tied at 19 before the Norsemen used a 6-0 run to end it and they nearly blew a big lead in game two before rallying to pull it off.

"We had our chances to win the first two games, but didn't get the big points," Welser said. "Who knows what would have happened if we would have gone up 2-0 in games or even split."

Senior Chloe Srebernak led the Blue Devils' comeback, mixing in aces off her jump



Grosse Pointe North used the hot hand of junior Andrea Matthew, setter, to feed the offensive output that included Breann Reveley, foreground left, and Laura Thibault, right.

serve and kills.

Senior Jessica Bashara had a big kill late in game two to put the Blue Devils up a point and serving for the match.

North was able to get a side-out to tie it again and won it when senior Maggie Tignanelli earned one of her eight kills. For the match, she had 21 digs and three aces.

The final game was all North as the home team cruised to the win to advance to the district semifinal against Detroit Finney.

"We knew South would come out more aggressive and they did, but we were ready," Lockhart said. "It was a tough match and that is what we expected from South."

Senior Ariel Braker had 11

kills and three blocks for the Norsemen, while freshman Breann Reveley had seven kills and five aces.

A couple of juniors, Andrea Matthew and Micaela Liddane, had solid matches. Matthew finished with 36 assists and Liddane had 16 digs and 21 serve receives, including a couple of big ones off Srebernak's tough jump serve.

In other action, North lost to L'Anse Creuse in the final game of its Macomb Area Conference Red Division slate, finishing 2-8. With the district win, Grosse Pointe North is 11-15 overall.

South won its final division match, beating Utica to finish 2-8 in the MAC Blue. It was 17-20-7 overall this season.

LIGGETT

Knights
survive
openerBy Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It wasn't pretty, but a win is a win.

Liggett's girls' volleyball team didn't play its best, but managed to beat Harper Woods 25-18, 25-16, 21-25, 25-21 in a Class C district first-round match Monday night.

"We're practicing hard and playing more as a team," said senior tri-captain Mary Grech. "We're doing more things together in school and out of school, which I think has made us a tighter team."

The Pioneers played well early in the match, taking a 10-3 lead in the opening game.

The host Knights made some adjustments that worked as they scored 15 of the next 18 points to lead 18-13.

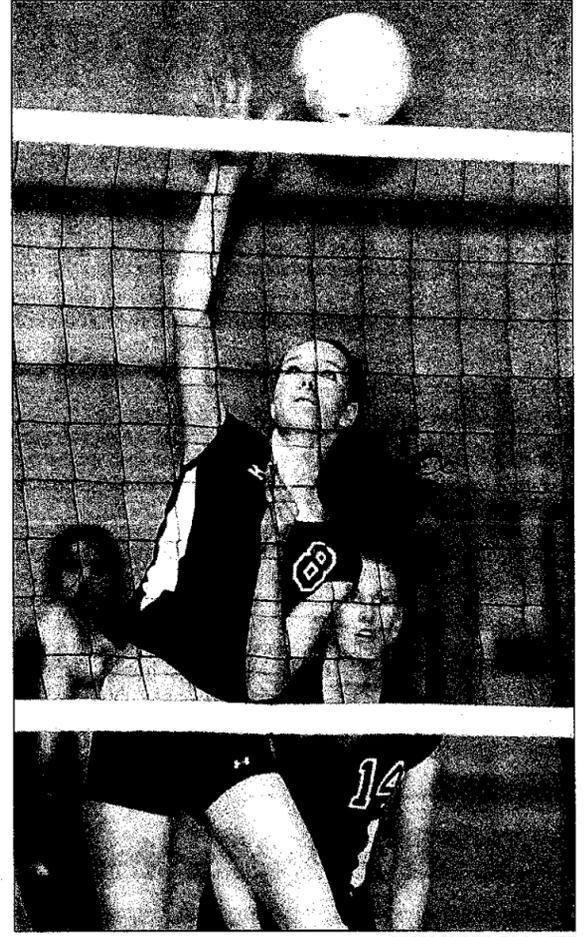
"Harper Woods was dinking the ball and getting points that way, so we tightened up our defense. That worked well," head coach Dan Sullivan said.

Freshman Colleen Klimek's service ace late in game one gave the Knights a 22-15 lead and they went on to win it by seven points.

Junior Sarah Altimore had her serve going in game two, while senior Maggie Zinkel, junior Carrie Chouinard and freshman Tori Wuthrich were solid on the offensive end to send the home team to an easy game two victory.

Wuthrich's kill tied game three at 12, but the Pioneers used a 7-3 run to take a 19-15 advantage.

The Knights' comeback at-



Junior Carrie Chouinard's kill won game four and the match as Liggett beat Harper Woods in the first round of the district tournament Monday night.

tempt fell short as the Pioneers extended the match to a fourth game.

The Knights' serving led the way in game four with junior Grace Edmonds, Klimek, Wuthrich and freshman Lexie Mustafaa shining.

Chouinard's improved play also was instrumental in the Knights' victory.

"I know it's my job as one of the older players to lead by example and I'm trying to do

that," Chouinard said. "We did some good things tonight."

The win stretched the Knights' streak to five, which included regular season wins over Ann Arbor Greenhills and Marine City Cardinal Mooney.

"We haven't been at our best, but we're winning," Sullivan said. "We can win this district title again because we have the talent to do it."

Liggett improved to 13-13-1 overall.

Girls field hockey

LIGGETT

Knights ousted by champs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Defending state champ Ann Arbor Pioneer ousted Liggett from the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association playoffs last week.

The visiting Knights, the No. 9 seed, lost 5-0, ending the season 7-7-3 overall.

"We had our chances to score, but Pioneer took advantage of its opportunities and we didn't," head coach Tamara Fobare said. "The score wasn't indicative of how close the game was played on the field."

"In the end, Pioneer had a little more offensive firepower, but our girls never let up and played hard."

Offensively, they were getting scoring from senior all-state forward Paige Counsman and junior forwards Annalisa Provenzano and Nozomi Yamasaki, plus solid goaltending from senior Liz Smith and senior sweeper Camille Langston.

All of the momentum was stopped by Pioneer, who used a persistent attack to wear down the Knights.

In the other quarterfinal games, Ann Arbor Huron beat Livonia Ladywood 3-0; Birmingham Marian defeated Birmingham Detroit Country Day 3-0; and Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart 3-0.

Despite the loss, Fobare and

the Knights enjoyed another successful season, despite fielding a young, inexperienced squad that jumped up to Division 1.

Fobare loses Counsman, Smith, Langston and other seniors Ai Yamasaki, Kelly Usakoski and Natalie Boll. Each used their senior leadership to help the younger players excel.

Returning next season are Abby Belcrest, Haleigh Bolton, Meghan Berkery, Mary Nehra, Provenzano, Courtney Knight, Elizabeth Drake, Nozomi Yamasaki, Federica Jones, Ashley Webster, Sloane Klene, Chandler Warren, Cristina Milenius, Keegin Fisher and Natalie Peracchio.

FOOTBALL



PHOTO BY RON BERNAS

Alumni return

University Liggett School's recent homecoming celebration included an alumni vs. alumni football game, pitting five decades of former members of the school's football team against each other. The players were, back row from left, Shaun Dillon, '98; Bill Tringale, '98; Tom Weyhing, '87; Kevin Granger, '72; Douglas Diggs, '82; Jody Jennings, '61; George Jerome, '56; John Polizzi, '83; Daniel Ngoyi, '06; Antonio Evangelista, '05; Barre Mackie, '04 and Kris Terry, '05. Front row from left are Dike Ajiri, '89; Robert Listman, '94; Bill Listman, '87; Jack Kitchen, '79; Keith Binion, '06 and John Dodds, '90. The players also watched the current team beat Morrice for the school's second victory of the season.



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Girls swimming

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen drop final dual meet

The Grosse Pointe North girls swimming and diving team lost its final dual meet of the season last week, 133-53, to Farmington Hills Mercy.

The host Norsemen won the 200-yard medley relay with Emily Turnbull, Jacqueline Shea, Hannah Everett and Emma Mathews taking the top spot.

Their other first-place, was posted by the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Mathews, Maresa Leto, Gianna Marx and Shea with a state-qualifying time.

Head coach Mike O'Connor said season-best times were recorded by Shea, Lauren Bradley, Carly Mellos and Rachel Brennan in the 50-yard freestyle; Turnbull and Kara Toma in the 100-yard freestyle;

Mellos in the 200-yard freestyle; Devon McKinley and Kathryn Hartzell in the 500-yard freestyle; McKinley in the 100-yard backstroke; Shea and Brennan in the 100-yard breaststroke; Paige Castile in the 100-yard butterfly; and Blake Moncur in the 200-yard individual medley.

North ended the regular season 5-4 overall and 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Coming up for the Norsemen is the MAC Red Division Swimming and Diving Championship meet Thursday, Nov. 5, to Saturday, Nov. 7, at home.

North will host Chippewa Valley, Utica Eisenhower, Utica Ford II and defending champ Grosse Pointe South.



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Grosse Pointe North seniors, from left, Hannah Everett, captain; Maresa Leto; Gianna Marx, captain; Michelle Ewart; Jackie Shea, captain; and Lauren Bradley; finished their dual meet slate last week with a loss to Mercy.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils prep for finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' swimming and diving team warmed up for the Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet by taking on top-notch foes last week.

The host Blue Devils began the week by losing 126-60 to Birmingham Marian and beating Pontiac Notre Dame Prep 141-45.

They took second and third in the 200-yard medley relay with sophomore Ali DeLoof, senior Abby Constant, junior Carrie Condino and freshman Lilly Boggs posting a time of 1:56.78 for second.

The team of seniors Tori Bruce, Molly DeWald, Eleanor Stafford and Kacey Murphy was third with a time of 1:58.60.

Boggs and sophomore Megan Brooks finished third and fourth in the 200-yard individual medley with times of 2:27.28 and 2:29.96, while DeWald was second in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 25.62.

Sophomore Madi Kaiser was third in diving with 154.80 points and senior Lily Parker was fifth with 140.0 points.

DeLoof lost the 100-yard freestyle by a hand as Jaynie Pulte of Marian had a time of 52.95 and DeLoof's time was 53.24.

Sophomore Allyson O'Connell was fourth and freshman Ellen Neveux fifth in the 500-yard freestyle. They had times of 5:47.52 and 5:46.51, respectively.

The Blue Devils' 200-yard freestyle relay team of sophomore Laurel Johnson, Neveux, sophomore Jessie Kaminski and Murphy was second with a time of 1:50.05, and DeLoof was able to nab the top spot in the next event, the 100-yard backstroke, posting a time of 58.98.

DeWald followed with a first-place finish in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Grosse Pointe South seniors and coaches, top row from left, coach Cathy Conboy, Molly DeWald, coach Eric Gunderson, Sarah Burke, Tori Bruce, Kacey Murphy, Jaime Leinke, Eleanor Stafford, Madison Murphy and Abby Constant; and bottom row from left, Lily Parker, Katie LeVan and Sydney Salley, had a competitive home meet against Birmingham Marian last week.

1:09.09 and Constant was third at 1:12.27.

South ended the week with a 122-64 loss to Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Head coach Eric Gunderson loaded the Blue Devils' schedule with some of the toughest teams in the state, knowing the competition would push his girls to get better.

The Blue Devils won the 200-medley relay as DeLoof, DeWald, Kaminski and Johnson had a time of 1:53.98 and senior Lindsey Phillips was third in the 200-freestyle with a time of 2:03.74.

DeWald was second in the

50-freestyle at 25.66 and Kaiser took another third-place finish in diving with 149.15 points.

The Blue Devils had success in the 100-butterfly with Kaminski taking second with a time of 1:07.52 and Stafford taking third at 1:08.21.

DeLoof was second in the 100-freestyle with a time of 53.96 and first in the 100-backstroke with a time of 59.76.

DeWald won the 100-breaststroke with a time of 1:07.19 and Brooks was third at 1:13.16 to give the Blue Devils several points.

South finished its dual meet slate 9-5 overall.

SOCCER



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Division champs

The Grosse Pointe Breakers Green U9 team won the MYSL U9 Major Blue Division this fall, posting a 5-0-1 mark, as well as winning a tournament in September. They did not lose a game during the 10-game slate. They advance to play in the MYSL Premier Division in the spring. Pictured above back row from left are, Ally MacLeod, Josephine Cowart, Maria Thanasas, Natalie Asimakis, Madeline Mills and coach Francesco Cilano; and front row from left, Kate Birgbauer, Megan Gallagher, Ava Stander and Sarah Ashkar.

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Cross country

NORTH & SOUTH BOYS

Norsemen, Blue Devils finish in top 10

The boys cross country teams from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South ended their season last week.

The squads needed to finish in the top three in a Division 1 regional meet or have a runner finish in the top 15 to make the state finals.

Neither happened for the Norsemen and Blue Devils, but despite the disappointment, each had positives they can use as a building block for the 2010

season.

North finished 5th with 141 points and South was eighth with 206 points. Troy won the regional with 49 points, followed by Birmingham Brother Rice with 54, Royal Oak with 70 and Birmingham Seaholm with 133.

Warren Mott was sixth with 166 points and Warren Cousino just edged out South, finishing with 205 points.

"We had an OK day, but we

didn't compete well down the stretch and let the race get away from us," North head coach Dan Quinn said. "We had some great competition in Troy, Brother Rice and Royal Oak, but if we had a good day, we could have been there with them."

"It was not a good day for us. We ran well enough to secure a top five finish, but we had more to give."

The Norsemen were led by



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Grosse Pointe South's varsity runners were, from left, sophomore Adam Bolton, sophomore Pat Rennell, junior Connor Dixon, freshman Steve Bregman, sophomore Austin Montgomery, freshman Matt Geist, junior Jake Carolan, junior Dan Duo and senior co-captain Brad Menchl.



PHOTO COURTESY OF KIM KOPACKA

Grosse Pointe North's 2009 captains, from left, David Padalino, Andrew Kopacka, Chris Ciaravino and Kyle Lacey, led the Norsemen during the Division 1 regional meet last weekend.

senior Kyle Lacey, who was 18th with a time of 17:17.4 and senior Forrest Carmer was 20th at 17:21.6.

Senior Ryan Seago was 30th with a time of 17:42.4, while senior Mike Seago and junior Spencer Schott rounded out the Norsemen's top runners by placing 36th and 37th with times of 17:53.8 and 17:54.2, respectively.

"What a great way to finish the season," South head coach Mark Sonnenberg said. "Our boys proved to be focused and ready to compete with every in-

dividual pouring their heart into their race.

"It was another day of tough conditions with cold and high winds, but no one complained and no one backed down. We had a bunch of memorable races."

Leading the Blue Devils was senior Brad Menchl, who ended his career with an impressive time of 17:29 and a 25th-place finish. Junior Connor Dixon was 32nd with a time of 17:47, followed by freshman Matt Geist at 18:12, junior Jake Carolan at 18:29, freshman

Steve Bregman at 18:40, sophomore Pat Rennell at 18:45 and junior Dan Dou at 19:00.

"I am losing five of my top seven runners from this meet, but I have three solid runners ready to return next year in Danny Ciaravino, Spencer Schott and Ed Surmont," Quinn said. "Those three runners make a solid nucleus to build up on next year and I have some of my sophomores and juniors run their miles this coming summer so we'll have another reloading year."

RUNNERS: Ladies beat ranked teams

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Eastpointe East Detroit with 338 and Detroit Osborn with 459.

"We came in fifth, but were hoping for fourth," North head coach Scott Cooper said. "I was proud of my runners for keeping pace with them (Troy Athens). At the two-mile mark, we were well behind Athens and caught up in the final stretch and almost got them."

"South ran a tremendous race and we will be rooting for them at the state finals."

"We are enjoying one of our best seasons ever and we look forward to the challenge of the state finals next week," South head coach Steve Zaranek said. "We hope to be in the hunt for a solid top 10 finish."

South, which won its eighth consecutive regional title and 20th in the past 22 years, battled high winds and two top 10 squads in Troy and Seaholm to post the title.

They placed four runners on

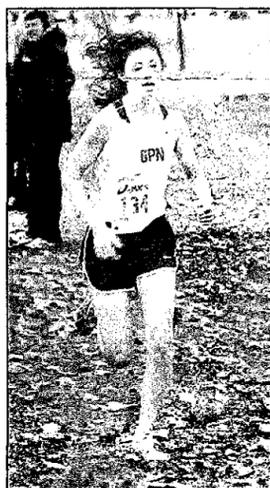


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Grosse Pointe North's Kailey Sickmiller earned a spot in the state championship meet with her solid run in the regional meet.

the All-Region team and it extended its streak to 30 consecutive trips to the state finals.

For the Blue Devils, freshman Hannah Meier was again unstoppable as she ran down Troy's superb senior, Michelle Moriset, in the last mile. Meier's time of 17:46 was four seconds off her own school

record a month ago.

"Hannah's performance was incredible," Zaranek said. "The strength needed to run the 5K race in under 18 minutes with the extreme high winds we experienced is one more example of what she has given to her team all season long."

The other Blue Devils in the top 15 were freshmen Christina Firl and Haley Meier, as well as senior Katie Steen.

Firl was fourth with a time of 18:36.6, while Haley Meier was fifth at 18:18.6 and Steen was eighth at 19:27.4.

"Christina and Haley finished ahead of Troy's No. 2 girl, which made a huge difference in the scoring," Zaranek said. "Troy did not expect that to happen and made every attempt to not let it happen. These two freshmen continue to run like seasoned veterans."

"Perhaps the race of the day, however, came from senior Katie Steen. She dropped 10 seconds off her season best time and ran down Troy's No. 2 at the finish line. With four South runners ahead of Troy's second, it was almost impossible to lose the meet."

In addition, junior Margaret Levasseur was 17th with a season-best time of 20:03.7, while



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

Grosse Pointe South's regional champion runners were, from left, Hannah Meier, Christina Firl, Kelly Langton, Katie Steen, Margaret Levasseur, Natalie Gay and Haley Meier.

junior Natalie Gay and sophomore Kelly Langton placed 18th and 20th with times of 20:11.7 and 20:22.8, respectively.

Cooper watched junior

Cristina Bruno finish 27th with a time of 21:02.3 and senior Lindsay Brown take 29th at 21:35.5.

Other top Norsemen were senior Zyanya Wright-Servais,

33rd with a time of 21:48.5; sophomore Katy VanEgmond, 38th at 22:07.8; sophomore Steffi Shenouda, 40th at 22:17.1; and senior Kamille Hamzey, 41st at 22:21.0.

SOCCER: Knights make Final Four

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15 minutes left and the Knights' defense did the rest, shutting down Oakland Christian to win and advance to the state semifinals for the first time since 2001.

Backhurst said Deane and fellow defenders Jimmy Palmer, Dominic Jamett, Alvaro Martinez and goalkeeper Mark Ghafari were key to shutting down the defending champs.

"Jimmy really did a great job defensively against Oakland Christian's top forward," Backhurst said. "Everyone played well today. This is a big win for us, but we have to keep it going."

Liggett advanced to the state quarterfinal game by defeating Genesee Christian 2-0 in a regional semifinal con-



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Coaches and players celebrate after winning a Division 4 regional championship. It's the Knights' first regional title in several years.

test.

Shannon scored the first goal and senior Jake Goldberg added an insurance tally in the second half.

The Knights opened the 2009 season with a victory at Genesee Christian. Last season, the Knights were upset by Harbor Beach in the re-

gional semifinals.

Liggett improved to 14-7-1 overall. In its four state play-off games, the Knights outscored their foes 18-1.

LIGGETT

Runners learn from 1st season

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Liggett's cross country team's rebirth ended in the Division 4 regionals last weekend at Lake Erie Metro Park.

The boys finished seventh with 187 points and the girls did not record a team score. Ann Arbor Greenhills won the boys' meet with 29 points, followed by Sand Creek with 66, Ottawa Lake Whiteford with 71, Morenci with 83, Newport Lutheran South with 114 and Lutheran Westland with 159.

Kevin Allen led the Knights with a 25th-place time of 20:02.8.

Joseph Renzi was 32nd

with a time of 20:46.8, while Aaron Robertson was 40th at 21:25.3.

Nick Valice and Robert Hammond also competed, finishing 64th and 68th with times of 24:39.3 and 27:14.8, respectively.

For the girls, Lutheran Westland won with 34 points, followed by Sand Creek with 64, Greenhills with 71, Lenawee Christian with 86, Whiteford with 109 and Our Lady of Mount Carmel with 151.

For the Knights, Haleigh Ristovski was 22nd with a time of 23:57.3, while Katarina Goitz and Eleni Pitses finished 24th and 30th with times of 24:19.3 and 24:59.5.

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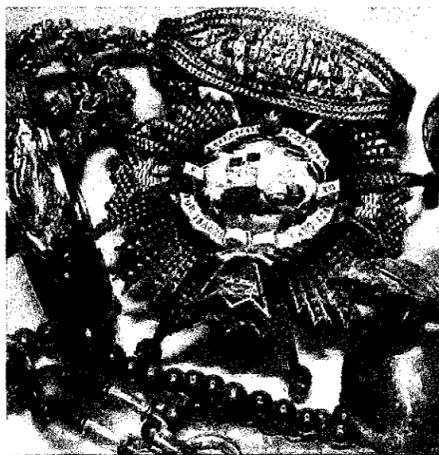
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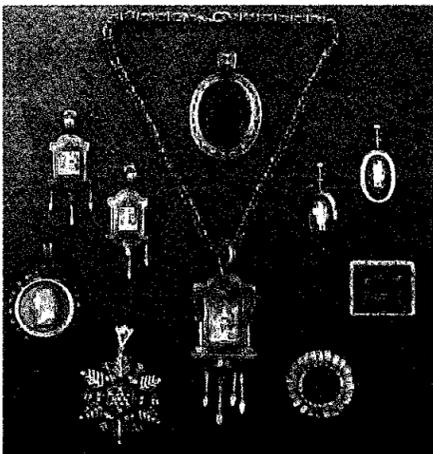
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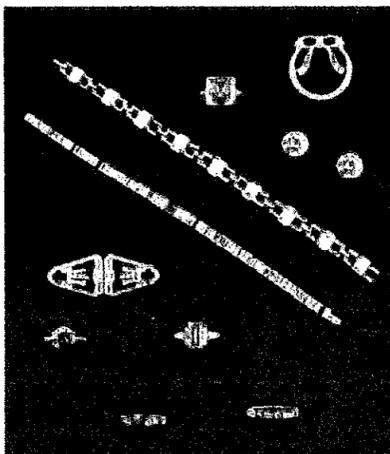
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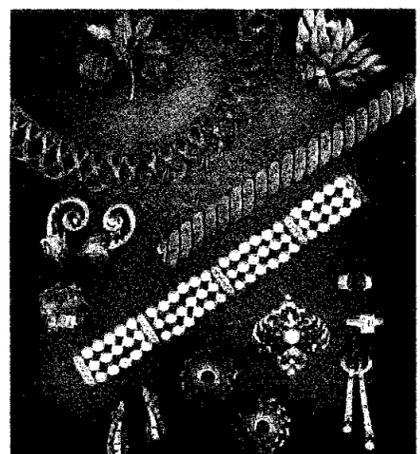
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