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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Nov. 27

Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, Nov. 28

The 21st annual Santa Claus parade begins at 10:30 a.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School, travels along Fisher to Kercheval and ends in the Village. "Toy Story's" own Buzz and Woody will be the grand marshals in this year's "Toys on Parade" theme. Santa Claus will go to the Jacobson's children's department to receive visitors. Today through Sunday, Nov. 30 the Village is hosting an open house, with its 43 stores offering special sales, complimentary refreshments and special events.

Tuesday, Dec. 2

The Grosse Pointe Academy will usher in the holiday season at 6:30 p.m. with its annual tree lighting ceremony. Music will be provided by the middle school bell choir. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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The Grosse Pointe Community Concert Band presents its annual winter concert at 8 p.m. in the Parcells Middle School auditorium. Band member Michael Lawrence is featured soloist on Haydn's Trumpet Concerto. Admission is free and a reception will follow.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

The Grosse Pointe North and South choirs' Holiday Concert and Tea begins at 1 p.m. in the performing arts center at Grosse Pointe North High School. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend this free performance.

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Pointers pass 2,600-mile test

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

They began their journey in the spring, just north of the Mexican border, welcomed by the 110-degree heat of the Mojave desert.

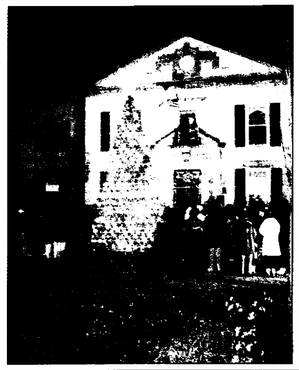
Nearly 5 1/2 months later, with 2,600 miles worn into the soles of their shoes, they finished their sojourn as the snows of early autumn descended upon the peaks and foothills of the Cascade Mountains at the Canadian border.

What made Randy Aardema and Kathy Gayman hike the Pacific Crest Trail, which wends its way through California, from Mexico to Canada? The pair of 24-year-old Grosse Pointe South High School graduates, he from the Park, she from the City, both on hiatus from college are no strangers to long-distance backpacking.

They completed the 2,200-mile Appalachian Trail in 1995, and took smaller treks in previous years, including hikes through the Great Smoky Mountains and the Ozarks.

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Shining tribute



The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's 1997 Tribute Tree will be set aglow at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4. All are invited to attend as Santa Claus lights the tree and leads the caroling. Cocoa and cookies will be served in the Alger House following the event. Each light on the evergreen is donated to honor a special friend, neighbor, teacher or loved one. Lights may be purchased for a tax deductible donation of $5 each. For more information, call the War Memorial at (313) 881-7511.

Incinerator broke; burning snuffed

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

For 25 years, rubbish from the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods has been transformed into plumes of smoke and ash at the Grosse Pointes-Clinton Refuse Authority in Clinton Township.

It appears now that its incineration days are near an end as authority board members voted to stop burning at the site as of Jan. 10.

The plant is to be converted into a solid waste transfer station, with rubbish being hauled by City Management Inc. to a landfill.

"We are out of money," said Mike Kenyon, village manager of Grosse Pointe Shores and Authority board member. "It has come down to the point (that we won't have) enough money to make payroll."

The Authority has been steadily losing money for well over a year after the settlement of two lawsuits went into effect in July 1996. The lawsuits stemmed from the fees the Authority charged its member communities to burn its refuse.

The agreement mandated that the Authority could not charge more than about $35 a ton for refuse incineration and disposal. Before the agreement, the Authority was charging the communities over $50 a ton. To make up for the lost revenue, the Authority has been dipping into its reserves, which are all but dried up.

The reason it cost the member communities so much for refuse disposal compared with other waste haulers is in part the contract it signed with City several years ago. The contract was based on cost projections that turned out to be over-inflated.

Kenyon said the board's action is not to be seen as critical of past mistakes, but as a realistic measure to cut all losses.

"I do think that the shutdown is inevitable," said Fran Schonenberg, council member in Grosse Pointe Farms and a member of the Wayne County Solid Waste Implementation Committee. "The motion to (convert the structure) into a solid waste transfer station was appropriate."

At issue are the strenuous objections of Clinton Township officials over converting the incinerator. Because the facility is located within the township, officials have cited environmental and odor concerns if it becomes a transfer station. Privately, officials have said that litigation is quite possible if the conversion is made.

Clinton Township has two members on the Authority board because over 50 percent of the refuse burned comes from the township. Each of the other member communities has one member.

This is not the first time the Authority has tried to cut costs. Last spring it attempted

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Photo By Sherry Emard

Wishes come true

From left, Lisa Ferri, Jon Austin Ferri of St. Clair Shores and Alessandra Murphy and Maria Murphy of Warren, came to Eastland Shopping Center, Saturday, Nov. 22 to welcome Annabelle, the lovable calf from the new release "Annabelle's Wish." The kids were able to meet Annabelle and Santa Claus at a special sold-out breakfast and preview of "Annabelle's Wish" to kick off a fundraiser which will help the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan.



Park flood plain almost history; owners will save

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

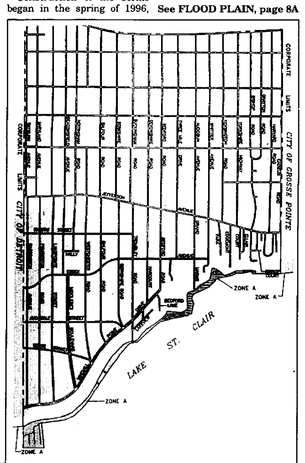
After years of planning and construction, a project started by the Grosse Pointe Park City Council to eliminate the requirement that residents who live in a federally designated flood plain must purchase flood insurance is almost complete.

Grosse Pointe Park City Manager Dale Krajniak said that the city has been notified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that the agency has given the final approval to the berm project that drastically reduced the size of the city's flood plain.

Construction of the berms began in the spring of 1996, said Krajniak. By building berms along key points at the lake shoreline, a barrier was created. This barrier will protect low-lying areas of the city in case the lake reaches levels higher than the yearly average.

A 100-year flood designation means that on average, the marked area will be flooded an average of once every 100 years, said Krajniak. Such areas are required by federal law to have flood insurance. A 500-year flood designation means that the area in question can be expected to be flooded once every 500 years. There is no insurance require-

See FLOOD PLAIN, page 8A



The shaded area consists of all the land in Grosse Pointe Park that was formerly in a flood plain. Now, only Zone A, which includes Windmill Pointe Park but no homes, is the only area in the Park still designated as a flood plain.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Jay Newman



Jay Newman

Home: City of Grosse Pointe

Age: 46

Family: Wife, Jill Gerston

Occupation: Vice president and general manager of Channel 62, the local CBS network affiliate

Quote: "It's always a challenge to push yourself to the next level. You can't stay in the same place, which is why when I was given the chance to come to Detroit and start a new station from scratch, I took it."

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SEQUENCE

yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The heads of the five Pointe municipalities earnestly endorse the idea of creating a sufficient area of the bathing beach waters be contained and impervious to penetration of lake water, as well as filtered and chemically treated. All said the matter was well worth careful examination as water quality at the beaches continue to be a concern.

■ Grosse Pointe Park patrolmen Arthur Conlon and Charles Slusser heard a report on the police radio at 3:30 a.m. Nov. 22 that three armed men had just robbed a gas station on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores and were heading toward Park city limits. The officers within minutes spotted the car and began pursuit. They forced the car off the road at Jefferson and Phillip and with guns drawn, ordered the men out of their vehicle. They admitted to a half dozen other robberies in St. Clair Shores, East Detroit and Roseville. They were turned over to St. Clair Shores police.

■ The habit of leaving doors unlocked is growing in the Pointes. Private residences as well as businesses are showing signs of carelessness. On one night recently, six such sites were discovered by police in the City and in the Park. People demand police protection but police feel there is a reciprocal obligation that exists on the part of the citizenry to secure their property.

25 years ago this week

■ Residents are asking the Woods city council to adopt an ordinance aimed at curbing the idiotic vandalism perpetrated by youths on Oct. 30, otherwise known as Devil's Night. Incidents this last Oct. 30 are sharply etched in the minds of some residents who witnessed a mob of 200 teenagers create a "near riot" on Morningside near Barnes school. The matter has been referred to the city attorney for further review.

■ Two representatives from SEMTA's Lakeshore Division attended Farms and City council meetings this week to discuss the bus line's present operations and its future in the event the Michigan Mass Transportation Bill passes in Lansing. SEMTA at the moment is in a state of limbo. The Farms and City councils passed resolutions to support them. The Woods and St. Clair Shores did not.

10 years ago this week

■ The Grosse Pointe Woods planning commission declined any recommended changes in the city ordinance regarding home day care operations. Although the majority of those in attendance at a recent public hearing on the matter were in favor of a change, the commission voted 8-1 to against it. The city is currently involved in a home day care case in Wayne County Circuit Court and is under an injunction not to interfere with an existing day care in operation.

■ Since the threat of AIDS has come to the fore, Grosse Pointe police officers and emergency medical technicians now take extra precautions, and carry additional safeguards against the communicable diseases to which they are continuously exposed through their daily duties. They now carry rubber gloves, disposable plastic mouthpieces for CPR and in the Shores, a special kit containing gowns and goggles.

■ The need for library expansion has not gone away with the defeat of the library millage and bond proposals on Nov. 4. The school board and library supporters are now looking at revised proposals to present to the voters. The defeat at the polls was attributed to a change in the stock market, the lack of adequate parking at Central Library and the diminished use of the South high athletic field (which would be direct results of the Central branch expansion).

■ The sale of the Bronze Door restaurant on the Hill appears imminent. Grosse Pointer Daniel Coe and an unidentified business partner plan to buy the building that has stood vacant for three years, tear it down and rebuild a two-story, light, airy, modern restaurant.

5 years ago this week

■ The Grosse Pointe school board begins holding separate meetings to focus solely on the issue of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. The school district has supervised the budget and operations of the library since 1929 and generally attached items to the school agenda. A special committee appointed to study the future needs of the library suggested the school board convene separately as the library board to devote more attention to that institution's needs.

— Shirley A. McShane

25 years ago this week



News' elm wins national recognition

A plaque designating the great tree which overhangs the News building as an "historic elm" was recently presented by the Elm Research Institute of Waldwick, N.J., and has been attached. Pictured from left are Janet Mueller, society and feature editor, Kathy Duff, staff writer and William Adamo, advertising manager. When the News offices were built 27 years ago, tree experts were consulted on how best to preserve the elm, estimated to be between 150 and 200 years old.

Incinerator

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to install an ashcrete program that converted the ash into an industrial product that has been used for roads in other states. In fact, it paved a road within the plant's property before being ordered by the state's department of environmental quality to tear it up. The Authority had not gained the necessary permits for using the product and last summer decided to scrap the project.

The Authority board has directed plant general manager Doug Taylor to detail a plan for downsizing the personnel to manage the transfer station. Currently, the Authority employs 23 full-time people for the incinerator. A transfer station can get by with about nine employees, Kenyon said.

Meanwhile, representatives continue to work at hammering out a deal with City Management to haul the waste. Negotiations hit a stalemate weeks ago when City representatives issued a take it or leave it plan to the Authority. Kenyon said Authority representatives have made a counterproposal and are waiting for City's response.

City officials have maintained that they do not comment on ongoing negotiations.

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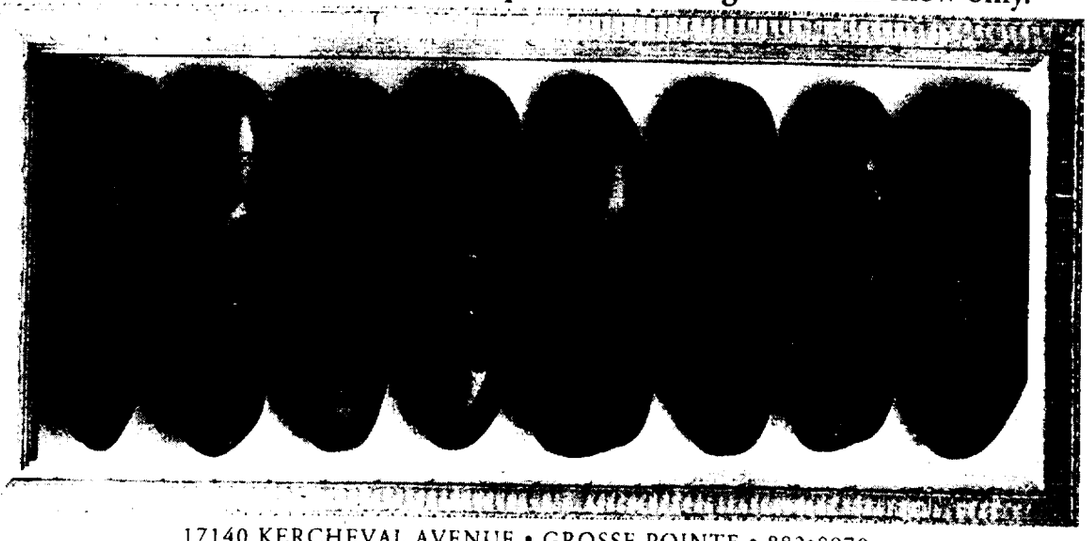
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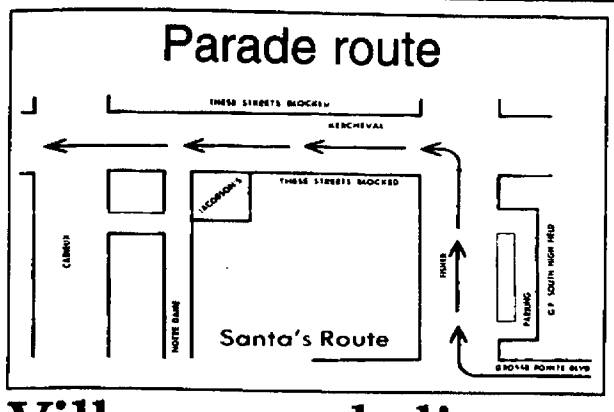


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Village parade lineup

1. Color Guard — mounted division, Detroit Police Department
2. Police Car — City of Grosse Pointe
3. Fire Truck — City of Grosse Pointe
4. Crime Stopper Van
5. Stilt Walker/ High Wheel
6. Richard Brownie Girl Scout Troop 2911
7. Defer Brownie Girl Scout Troop 862
8. American Heart Association
9. Grosse Pointe Highlanders
   a. Randall Cain and horse "Johnny"
   b. '96 Corvette
   c. Pointe Girls Soccer Association
10. Buzz & Woody — Grand Marshals
    a. 1953 antique fire truck
11. Star Of The Sea Brownie Girl Scout 1243 and Junior 3350
12. Smoke House
13. Grosse Pointe Hunt Club Fox Heads
14. Harper Woods Cub Scout Pack 273
15. Children's Train
16. Maire Brownie Girl Scout Troop 2909
17. Calliope
    17a. Grosse Pointe Viper Soccer U-12 Team
    17b. Maire Junior Girl Scout Troop 124
18. Queen of Peace Brownie Girl Scout Troop 826 and 1405
19. Allen Park High School Band
20. Maire Brownie/Girl Scout Troop 1644
21. "Unsinkable" Grosse Pointe South float
22. St. Clare of Montefalco Cub Scout and Boy Scout Pack 399.
23. 1983 Assembled Roadster
24. Richard Brownie Troop 864
    24a. 1979 Chevelle
25. Maire Cub Scout Pack 19
26. Midnight Riders
27. French Back-to-Back
28. Monteith Brownie Troop 716/Junior Troop 1986/Cadette Troop 644
29. Crossing Guards
30. Richard Junior Girl Scout Troop 1455
    30a. Model "A"
31. Richard Junior Girl Scout Troop 1214
    a. Richard Cub Scout pack 74
32. South Lake High School Band
33. Maire Brownie Girl Scout Troop 702
34. Trombly Daisy Girl Scout Troop 72
35. Lions Cage
36. Lake Shore YMCA guides/princesses
37. Utica Dance Pompon Team
38. Sterling Heights High School Band
39. State Representative Andrew Richner
40. Victorian House
41. Ferry Brownie Girl Scout Troop 1221
42. Grosse Pointe Viper Soccer U-13 Team
    42a. '98 Cavalier
43. Defer Junior Girl Scout Troop 3018
44. Manger float
45. Defer Brownie Girl Scout Troop 1438
46. Horse and Carriage
47. Monteith Cub Scout Pack 85
48. Lake Shore High School Band
49. Mason Junior Girl Scout Troop 3556
50. U.S. Postal Service
51. St. Paul Cub Scout Pack 61
52. Walking Christmas Trees
53. Queen of Peace Cub Scout Pack 451
54. Notre Dame High School Band
55. Sleighmobile and Mrs. Claus
56. Defer Cub Scout Pack 147.
57. Grosse Pointe Theatre
58. Grosse Pointe Children's Theatre
59. Ferry Pack 34 Cub Scouts
60. Mayors Trolley
61. Trombly Cub Scout Pack 86
62. Giant Christmas Package
63. Trombley Brownie Troop 2908
64. Tri-County Collie Rescue
    64a. 1959 MGA Roadster
65. Grosse Pointe North Homecoming Queen
66. Grosse Pointe North "Candyland Float"
67. Mason Pack 290, Cub Scouts
68. Warren Mott High School Band
69. Anchor Bay High School Band
70. Kerby Junior Girl Scout Troop 1078
71. Santa Claus

Assurances aside, church addition criticized

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

An "informal gathering" regarding the planned addition to Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church on Moross turned into a spirited discussion as church officials and neighbors debated the church's plans to build a new sanctuary.

The addition, tentatively approved by the Farms city council, prompted several neighbors to voice their objections over the size of the structure and its "negative impact on our community." Church officials welcomed questions Nov. 20 in their parlor and had on display architectural blueprints and concepts to be viewed by neighbors and city officials.

Charles Harle, a neighbor who lives on Moross, was one of the most vocal critics of the addition. He said that the structure is "too massive" to be on the site and that the church was building the structure at the community's expense.

"The only consideration you have shown is that you were nice enough to tell us what you're going to do," he said sarcastically.

David Wilson, chairman of the church's building committee, defended the church's plans saying that the church is making best use of the space and is planning landscaping improvements to help retain the overall beauty of the property.

"It was never planned that this would be the final structure (for the church)," he said. "It was a temporary facility."

The planned addition is the third building phase of the church that was originally constructed in 1948. Church officials displayed blueprints of original designs from the church archives that revealed the new sanctuary is actually a little smaller than originally conceived. The original blueprint also included a bell tower that was 65 feet high that is no longer planned.

"(Our purpose) is to use our property to the best extent that we can," Wilson said. "The church has needs also. There is not a simple solution to these problems."

Harle had earlier circulated a letter to neighbors and city officials outlining his objections. In the letter he suggested that the addition would affect the property values of neighbors near the church. He also said the design would not be congruent with the neighborhood or the original structure of the church.

Tim O'Donnell, part-time property assessor for the Farms and the Shores, said that property values shouldn't decline because it is a church that sees most of its traffic one day a week.

"I can't imagine it would cause a problem in the Farms," he said. "I don't think (that point) is valid."

O'Donnell served for over 20 years as an assessor for Wayne County and now works part-time for eight different communities. One of those municipalities, Grosse Ile, has seen several churches expand and has never had property values decline as a result, he said.

The architect for the project, Constantine George Papas, said the addition will be in the same theme of the original structure. It will consist of a limestone facade, like the original, and, if the funds are available) a slate roof that will slope down from the apex, which will be a clear story to receive sunlight during the day.

Despite assurances that the church was willing to work with the neighbors to help assuage their concerns, mainly the size of the addition, many audience members were still unsatisfied. Church officials said there would be at least two more meetings to discuss these concerns before construction begins.

Lighting in the parking area behind the church has been a source of contention with neighbors on Ridgemont. The church has pledged to remove the spotlights and erect parking lot lights that shine straight down instead of across the entire lot. There was even mention of putting the lights on timers.

But, Wilson maintained, the church was not ready to concede to all the demands of the neighbors.

"We are not here to compromise on a whim," he said.

Times they are a changing

In the not-so-distant past, it was not uncommon for the business district in any given community to completely shut down on Sunday. But, with the ever changing nature of the retail industry, those days are but a memory as businesses adjust to the demands of the consumer.

The City of Grosse Pointe is now considering amending its Sunday business hour ordinance to accommodate Blockbuster Video so that patrons can rent and return videos until 10 p.m. Currently any business, save for restaurants, gas stations and drug stores, must lock its doors at 8 p.m., said Tom Kressbach, City manager.

"(I believe) this request is indicative of today's business climate," Kressbach said.

The request is under review by the City's attorney, who will report back to the city council next month. The city has also conferred with public safety director Al Fincham, who reported that there are currently no traffic problems in the vicinity.

Until recently, the city required those businesses covered under the ordinance to close by 5 p.m. That closing time was extended to 8 p.m. a few years ago.

— John Lundberg

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SEQUENCE

It's lights, camera action at Channel 62 for City man

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

You could say that City of Grosse Pointe resident Jay Newman made something out of nothing when he took over the operation of Channel 62 three years ago.

Prior to his arrival at the station Newman held a variety of positions with the CBS organization, including vice president of operations for the network. He also was vice president and station manager at WCAU-TV in Philadelphia and WCIX-TV in Miami.

Other jobs included being news director for WBBM-TV in Chicago. Newman began his career as a television journalist in Syracuse, N.Y., after graduating from Ithaca College in New York in the early 1970s.

"I grew up in Westchester, N.Y., and I think I chose broadcasting because it's an exciting, quickly changing business," said Newman. "It's always a challenge to push yourself to the next level. You can't stay in the same place, which is why, when I was given the chance to come to Detroit and start a new station from scratch, I took it."

But before Newman could create a new station for a major network, he had to pay his dues.

He particularly remembers an incident when he was just starting out as a reporter involving a dog and a chance for a journalistic coup.

"One of my fondest memories from early in my career was when I was 23," Newman said. "I was in Syracuse and it was a Sunday morning. I learned the location of a bank manager that had embezzled $1 million from a local bank. My cameraman and I ended up driving all over upstate New York to get to him.

"We're all excited and we approach the front door, which was down a long driveway when we were confronted by a large, barking German Shepherd. We couldn't get to the door, but we had an exclusive. So we went to a local store, bought some chopped meat, went back the house, threw the meat about 20 feet from the driveway, and when the dog went after it, we ran down the driveway to the front door and were able to get the interview."

In those days, television news technology was much more primitive, said Newman. Cameras used film instead of video tape and there were no microwave units to send signals live from news scenes.

"Technology in television has exploded," Newman said.

POINTER OF INTEREST

"People in the Pointes in five or 10 years will be watching television in a different way. There will be digital television with 3-D style pictures. Sets will have CD quality sound and the screens will be wider. There will be a convergence of technologies involving computers, television and cable and satellite broadcasting. Our challenge in the television industry will be to provide programming of a quality equal to the television technology."



City of Grosse Pointe resident Jay Newman, general manager of Channel 62, keeps an eye on things from his Riverplace office.

When Newman was first given the Detroit assignment, he lived in a Riverplace apartment and commuted for the first year. For the last two years, he and his wife Jill have been living in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The biggest accomplishment for Newman and the staff of Channel 62, he said, has been to raise the awareness of the station among viewers and advertisers.

"When CBS bought Channel 62, it was a very small station without a lot of viewer recognition," Newman said. "So as newcomers to the Detroit market we have tried to earn a place in the community as a good neighbor. We don't have a news division yet, but we do a lot of local programming that is meaningful to the viewer. Establishing our identity has been our biggest challenge and our biggest success."

Being a New Yorker, when Newman came to Detroit, he was surprised to learn that the image he had of the city, as an outsider, was not what he found.

"I was surprised by Detroit," said Newman. "It's not what I expected. So my wife and I are spending a lot of our recreation time downtown. We love the theater district, and it's exciting to see, just in the past couple of years, some of the construction taking place on Jefferson."

Newman was also pleased and delighted to discover that Grosse Pointe has all the advantages of small town life, yet is only a 15-minute drive from downtown.

"I love the municipal park system in the Pointes," said Newman. "It provides a country club atmosphere, but is supported by taxpayers. I think I must have gone to the City park every weekend during the last two summers. I also bicycle, and love the opportunity to ride down Jefferson and Lakeshore. The Pointes are a wonderful place to live."

October lake levels above average

During the month of October precipitation was above average on the Lake Superior basin, while precipitation on the remaining Great Lakes basins was below average.

For the year to date, precipitation is about 2 percent above average for the entire Great Lakes basin.

The net supply of water to all of the Great Lakes basins was below average for October.

In comparison to their long-term (1918-1996) averages, the October monthly mean water levels of Lakes Superior, Michigan-Huron, St. Clair, Erie and Ontario were 3, 20, 21, 22, and 5 inches above average, respectively.

Shoreline residents are cautioned to be alert whenever adverse weather conditions exist, as these could cause rapid short-term rises in water levels.

Lake St. Clair at the end of October was at elevation 575.62 feet above the mean water level at Rimouski, Quebec, or about 40 inches above chart datum.

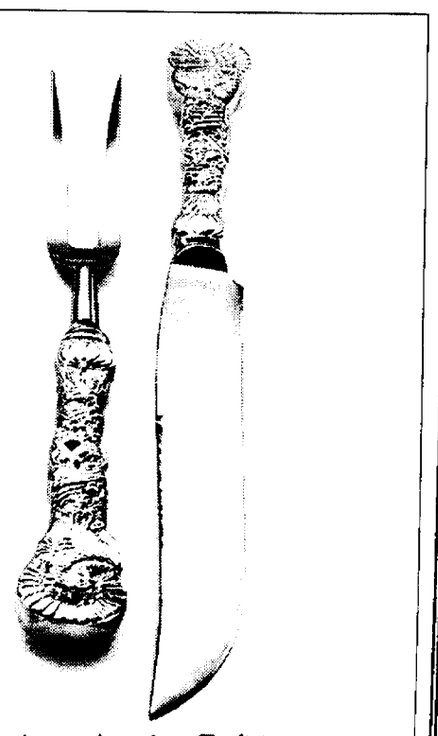
The October monthly mean level of 575.95 feet was about 21 inches above the long-term average for October. The lake was about 16 inches below the all-time high October monthly mean level, which was recorded in 1986.

The forecast shows that the November monthly mean level of Lake St. Clair will be about 5 inches below what it was in October.

The lake is expected to continue its seasonal decline into February.

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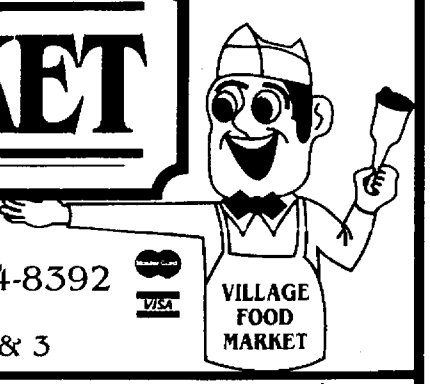
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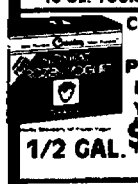
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Opinion

Parochiaid issue raised again in state

A new version of parochiaid to benefit Michigan parents who prefer to send their children to parochial or private schools has just been proposed by the conservative Mackinac Center for Public Policy in Midland.

Under the proposal, parents or businesses that pay tuition for students to attend private or parochial schools, or public schools outside their own districts, would get a tax credit of up to $3,000 when the plan is fully phased in by the year 2008.

Many parents who send their children to parochial schools, and some whose children attend private schools, have long sought approval of similar plans.

However, they have never been successful in winning sufficient public support to repeal the state constitutional ban on aid to non-public schools.

Before he was elected governor, John Engler reportedly was a member of a Lansing-based organization that backed a similar plan, but the governor is no longer a member and is not likely to actively back the new proposal, according to Engler spokesman John Truscott.

The Detroit News, however, identified two former Engler administration officials, a State Board of Education member, and a close friend of the governor as among the authors of the plan.

Backers contend that such a plan would give parents more low-cost education choices and upgrade public schools through stepped-up competition.

Critics such as Penny Shanks, a PTA activist in Clarkson cited by The Detroit News, contended that the proposal is being sold as parental choice, but added:

"It's really a way to give tax breaks to parents whose children are already in private schools. Why should we spend public tax dollars on institutions that have no public accountability?"

We agree with that position but add an additional objection to the Mackinac Center plan on the grounds it would reduce the amount of money available to the public schools since sponsors admit they would take $2.5 billion from the public school fund.

However, the Mackinac Center insists the proposal would save the state money because private school tax credits would amount to only about half the average per-pupil state grants being made for public school students.

Yet, if private and parochial schools received state aid, should they not also be required to accept any and all applicants, just as the public schools now do?

That current difference is one of the major reasons private and parochial schools often can post better overall educational records than public schools which must admit every applicant.

Over in Cleveland, $5.25 million was spent giving private school vouchers to 1,994 children (only 664 of whom were former public school students), according to Sandra Feldman, president of the American Federation of Teachers.

With the same amount of money, Feldman said in her recent column in the New York Times, the school district could have helped 40,000 children with an intensive reading and math program that has gotten excellent academic results with inner city kids.

Yet it seems to us the Cleveland example illustrates the kind of results we might expect in Michigan under the Mackinac Center's proposed tax breaks for parents and private businesses financing students in private and parochial schools.

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Invading local school control

The Michigan tourist industry is seeking to persuade the state Legislature to require public schools not to open until after Labor Day in order to extend the state's tourism season.

True, the change would not affect the Grosse Pointe schools, because they traditionally have not opened until after Labor Day. However, when the number of days of school is extended to 190 or possibly more, the tourism-demanded shift could become burdensome even here.

Yet around the state, in many rural districts, schools close for special days, or as much as a week, to observe some local event or celebration. The later opening time would probably make such special closings impossible, especially when 190 school days will be required in the 2006-07 school year.

Some parents worry that unless classes begin before Labor Day, the school year could extend into July to reach the required number of school days, especially when the state's 181-day requirement is extended to 190.

Furthermore, parents have been able to inform their local school boards about such local problems as when the schools should open and when they should close, within the time period set by the state.

But if the state Legislature grants the tourism industry its demand, regardless of the opinions of parents or local school boards, the result would be further encroachment by the state on the powers of the local boards and parents.

Local control of school financing already has been curtailed by passage of Proposal A and by actions of the Engler administration. Further curtailment of local school authority ought to be denied, even when sought by the tourism industry.

The Detroit Free Press reported that a Senate bill would prohibit schools from starting before Labor Day in 1998 if they begin before Sept. 5.

A proposed House bill, as amended, would require districts seeking to qualify for additional state aid of $2.50 per pupil to open no earlier than Sept.1 in the next two years and no earlier than the Tuesday after Labor Day beginning with the 2000-01 school year.

Important as the tourist industry is to the state's economy, we think the elected boards of public schools ought to set their own times to be open, within periods required by the state, in order to serve the children of each district as well as possible.

Columnist concedes his error

Even before publication of our editorial last week about William Raspberry's column critical of Detroit and the Grosse Pointes, the Washington columnist had apologized for quoting a friend without doing his own investigatory reporting.

He did so in another column, published Nov. 19 in The Detroit News, which was headlined: "Mea culpa, Detroit: I have seen the error of my ways."

He went on to concede that he had learned at least two things from the incident: "The first is to do my own reporting and to form my own impressions. The second: A lot of people out there really love Detroit."

Raspberry, who writes for the Washington Post's syndicate, conceded that he still thinks much of what his friend had to say about his visit to Grosse Pointe "makes sense" and then cited the following:

"The inadequately attended conditions that led to rioting in the late '60s, the exodus (of many residents and businesses) that followed the riots, the decrease in the tax base, and the increase in tax rate that followed the exodus."

(We still think there is more to the story of Detroit's decay than that , however.)

But Raspberry admitted that he had relied on his friend's "memory for too much of the detail, and, as happens, memory didn't serve."

To his credit, Raspberry added that the purpose of the column was "not to ridicule Detroit but to point out what can happen to cities when the affluent can flee not just to bigger homes and greener lawns on quieter streets but to separate tax districts."

But, he concluded, "the only redeeming element is the number of writers and callers who stressed that they normally like and respect my work, even when they disagree with my own point of view. They said they felt let down."

We didn't say so in our earlier editorial, but we, too, have had that same liking and respect for Raspberry's work — and will continue to hold those feelings in view of his apology to Detroit for his first article.

We think he might well have made a similar apology to Grosse Pointe for the aspersions he had cast on our community, although he did quote a couple of his readers who had said that even the "fundamental point of the Detroit/Grosse Pointe contrast was 'overblown.'"

We agree with his critics on that one, too.

Speeders kill!

Popular experts, often on newspapers, contended that raising the 55 m.p.h. speed limit, as proposed in Michigan and 38 other states back in 1995, would have little or no effect on the highway death toll.

So the limit was raised to at least 70 m.p.h. on Michigan's freeways and those in the other states.

However, new statistics from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety show an average 12 percent increase in death on the interstates in the first 12 states to raise their speed limits.

True, if all drivers were responsible motorists, the new and higher speed limits would have made no difference. Yet, as we predicted in advance, once a speeder, always a speeder.

Such a speeder, of course, can't be stopped by such a little matter as a higher speed limit, regardless of what it is. So he or she goes higher still — and often contributes to another traffic death.



U-M's special Thanksgiving

University of Michigan football fans have an additional reason to express thanks at their Thanksgiving dinners this year.

It is, of course, their football team's knuckle-biting victory over Ohio State which sends the U-M to the Rose Bowl.

It was a typical game between these traditionally strong Big Ten teams. The first half belonged to Michigan, as it had to Ohio State last year. But the second half was Ohio's State's turn to take over. And it did.

With Michigan's 20-0 first-half lead trimmed to 20-14 early in the fourth quarter, the outlook quickly turned dim with the vision of a loss of the No. 1 position in the national standings along with the hopes of going to the Rose Bowl.

At that point, some friends probably began thinking that gaining at least a tie for the Big Ten championship would be acceptable, even if it would mar a terrific season. But Michigan's stalwart defense then took over to protect the lead and secure the victory for the Wolverines.

Each of us, of course, has his or her reasons for expressing a personal thanksgiving on this day. It often will be offered at dinners of families and friends but it can be expressed by friends and family members far from their home hearths.

Even in the worst of times, which it remains for some of us, and in these best of times for most of us, all of us can find something positive to emphasize: the survival of an aging parent from a serious operation, the complete recovery of a youngster from a death-threatening illness, the successful marriage of two popular family members.

Most of us overemphasize the importance of victories in football, as the season closes down, just as we tend to do about successes in business and professional life.

But on Thanksgiving, there is good reason simply to give thanks for good fellowship and close friendships and what they mean to all of us as we gather together for dinner.

Letters

Thankfully acknowledged

To the Editor:

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation held its 20th annual "Bowl for Breath" event on Saturday, Nov. 8.

The event raised more than $15,000 to help researchers find a cure for this deadly disease. I would like to thankfully acknowledge the following businesses and people for helping us in this worthwhile cause to help find a cure and give children a future.

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Everything has a warning label and a disclaimer.

Air bags. Pillows. Computers. Rented videos. Peanut butter. Over-the-counter cold medications. Film. Nail polish remover.

My new umbrella came with a warranty. It was written in English and French and I needed a magnifying glass to read the 2-point type on a miniscule label stapled to the price tag.

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What does this warranty cover?

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But, can my mugger sue the manufacturer of my umbrella for damage to his eyeball? Can he sue me? Probably not, because I failed to follow instructions for the proper use of this umbrella.

Why are there no warning labels for things that really need them? Like children.

Babies come without guarantees, warranties, instructions, disclaimers, warnings or anything whatsoever about their potential for damage or delight.

I know. I have three.

How about the English language? It needs a disclaimer.

All printed material should be preceeded by: "This language is not responsible for damage from misrepresentation, misunderstaning or misinterpretation."

For instance: I recently heard this bit of news on National Public Radio, of all places. NPR usually presents accurate information that is well-researched and well-written. It's generally several cuts above the usual local networks' mismash of celebrity gossip, not-so-new news, minor happenings, and major hype and hoopla.

NPR reported that the jurors for the Terry Nichols trial consisted of "seven women, five men and five alternates."

I wonder if these five alternate on a pre-determined schedule or if they can do it at will, enabling them to take full advantage of rest room availability.

Another questionable English language gaffe appeared in the entertainment section of our very own newspaper. My fault, ultimately. Sorry.

Pay special tribute, we said, "to those Pointers who gave their lives in the service of our country during a Veterans Day Breakfast at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial."

Hmmmmm. The speaker was, perhaps, Dr. Jack Kevorkian?

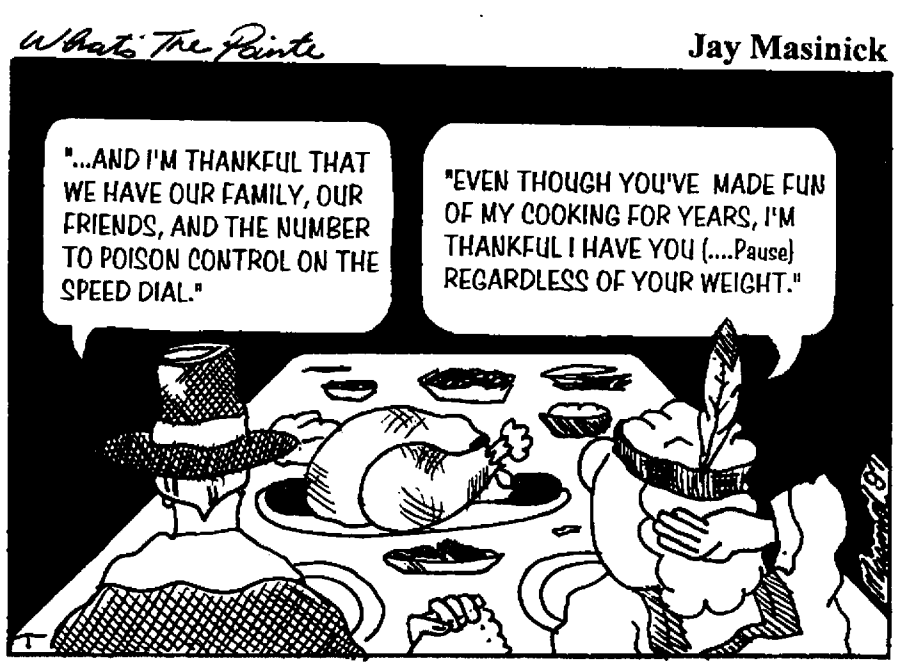
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The Op-Ed Page



Understanding the mind of Saddam

By Victor Bloom, M.D.

The Middle East is in turmoil and I strain my mind to make sense of it all. Perhaps if I put together everything I know about human psychology and human history, it will make some sense.

The peace process is stalled in Israel. Iraq is intransigent again. Another terrorist act in Luxor, Egypt. Random bombings of civilians, ambushing of Israeli soldiers, Arab kids throwing rocks, another Arab teenager dead. How to make sense of all this?

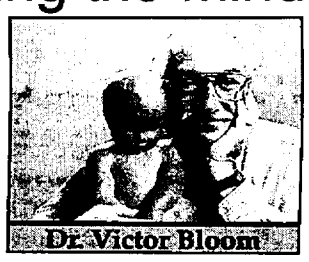
Saddam Hussein is pictured as a troublemaker, not without reason. But what is really going on?

I cannot find any useful information about him in the news media. I turn to my computer and seek information on the Internet, something I have been doing more and more lately, to answer difficult questions. Sure enough I find a web page from Iraq, pictures of a friendly, smiling Saddam Hussein, and a rough translation into English from Arabic of a speech he made recently to his people.

He talks of the Arab nation. He talks of unity. He implores his fellow Arabs to find their roots; otherwise, they are lost and weak. He says they are lost and weak because of Imperialist America. He is referring to the strangling sanctions placed on Iraq by the United Nations because of losing the Gulf War. He is sitting on tremendous oil reserves that cannot be used until the sanctions are released, and a precondition for that is Iraq cooperating with the U.N. agencies to monitor and prevent his having weapons of mass destruction.

Since "might makes right," we can have weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and he cannot. He tells his people it doesn't seem fair. It doesn't seem fair that powerful nations have power over weaker nations, and that the developed nations are affluent and the undeveloped nations are poor. Again we have the haves and the have-nots.

Saddam Hussein wants to do something about that. And why not? He wants to be a great world leader. He wants to join the company of Alexander the



Dr. Victor Bloom

Great, Genghis Khan, Attila the Hun, Hannibal, Napoleon and Hitler. If you win, you go down in history. If you lose, you're a . . . loser. Nobody wants to be a loser, especially a megalomaniac like Saddam Hussein.

I believe I read once that as a boy he watched the murder of his father, a socialist who was opposed to the hegemony of the powers that won World War I, which passed to the powers that won World War II, in which the United States of America is prominent.

Part of the history of the Middle East is that the powers that be supported ruthless dictators who were our allies. The persecution and oppression of their people was accepted, tolerated and supported because the alternative, it seemed, was worse. And that would be for the Middle East to become socialist or communist, or God forbid, separate and autonomous and powerful, so that they could put a stranglehold on the tremendous oil reserves below the Sahara. They could conceivably grind our economy to a halt. Remember the crisis of 1973, when there were lineups at the gas pumps.

Now, over a quarter century later, it seems that the world's oil reserves are endless again, and gas is relatively cheap, oil is plentiful for our heating and lubricating needs, and consequently, our economy is strong and growing. A united Arabia could put a stop to all that. Imagine the oil sheiks who are fantastically wealthy, sitting by their cash registers, next to their oil wells, raking in the billions. And not sharing the wealth with their people.

Why are the Arab nations still undeveloped with all that wealth? Why do the sheiks have palaces and harems and fleets of Rolls and Benzes, jet planes for their jet-setters and huge deposits in Swiss Banks?

Is no one outraged? From what I read of Saddam Hussein's speech to his people, Saddam Hussein is. He knows that before Khomeini was the Shah of Iran. The Shah was our man. He was the lesser of evils. But while he endorsed some advances and the westernization of Iran, he brutally oppressed any dissents, and he was supported by American money and the CIA. We were defending our interests in the Middle East. Our interest is oil. Oil, oil, oil.

Without oil, our economy would grind to a halt. So we had reason. But we made a lot of enemies. Maybe it was true that a young Saddam Hussein saw his father killed, a father who was working for Arab independence, unity and autonomy. Maybe he, in his mad, ineffective way, is trying to right a wrong. Maybe. Maybe he just wants to feed his own ego and be more powerful than his father, who succumbed to a greater power.

Might makes right? Is that what we are left with? We have the might, so we must be right. Therefore, we have to get our allies together and work through the United Nations to prevent Saddam Hussein from becoming what he wants, the leader of a united Arab world, who can call the shots and set the oil prices.

Saddam Hussein says that the United Nations is a tool of the United States. We have the armed might, the aircraft carriers, fighters and bombers and technology to do a repeat of the Gulf War. Another insurrection against our hegemony can be put down.

But we must understand that behind all the violence and complexity of the Middle East is a historic force that we have to be familiar with. There was a time the 13 colonies organized and fought to be independent of the British. We won the Revolutionary War. Less than a century later, it was necessary to fight the Civil War to prevent secession and maintain the unity which we cherish today.

We must understand that there are forces in the Arab world longing for fairness, unity and strength, not to be ruled and controlled by the

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Polar bears

The Thanksgiving tradition of one Pointe couple involves thawing the turkey and freezing the dinner guests.



Ken Eatherly

This Thanksgiving will be no different, say **Janet Weber** and **Bill Rutledge**, of the Woods, all set to make their biennial trip to the Weber/Rutledge cottage on Bois Blanc Island. Since the mid-'80s, (and we're not talking water temperature here), members of the Weber family have gathered on Nov. 27 to take a dip in the frigid waters of the Straits of Mackinac.

Family records kept over the years indicate the water on Thanksgiving is near or at the freezing point.

"It's always in the 30s," says Bill. "But no matter how cold it is, they go in. The kids usually cavort around and jump out, but one year **Jeremy Weber** (who started the tradition) stayed in for about 20 minutes."

The reward? "We get T-shirts that say 'Bois Blanc Island Polar Bear Club,'" says Bill.

Not everyone participates, he says. Someone has to stay back and warm up the sauna.



From left, Grosse Pointe Woods resident Janet Weber and Jeffrey, Andrew, Dick and Keith Bosscher test the frigid waters last Thanksgiving off Bois Blanc Island.

Jake's takes the cake

"Do you come to Grosse Pointe often?" FYI asked record star **Martha Reeves** at last week's Silver Bell Splendor reception at **Jacobson's** Apparel Store.

"Yes," said the famed former member of Martha Reeves and the Vandellas. "I love the store — and my attorney is right across the street."

Sponsored by the Junior League, the posh party was a fundraiser to benefit the Police Athletic League and other programs aiding Detroit-area childrens' health and welfare.

Along with Motown hits sung by Ms. Reeves, the two-store event featured an appearance by designer **Dominic Pangborn**, of the Shores, autographing his wild line of neckties and silk scarves which were a near-sellout.

Spotted amid the throng were **Julie Artis**; **Irene Burchard** and her friend **Rosemary Elias; Suzanne Dowers; Jan Elston; Lisa Fildes; Tim** and **Patty Fox; Van Fox; Nancy Gutierrez; David Hernquist; Anne Koenig** (and fiance **Thomas Elias Jr.**); **Gary** and **Susie Scheiwe; David** and **Krystie Swider; Pat Tapper; Tanya Volis,** and **David** and **Elaine Yates**.

Beverages and munchies to match the festive setting were supplied by a host of contributors including Pointe establishments Blue Bay Fish & Seafood Co.; The Daily Grind Coffee House; The Golden Dragon; Josef's French Pastry; Jumps; Krogers; Lucy's on The Hill; Oxford Beverage; Room for Dessert, and Vintage Bistro.

What's the store going to look like after next year's remodeling, FYI asked Jake's insider **Margie Garbarino**.

"It's going to return to that boutique look it used to have," she said. "There will be lots of little shop areas — it will be lovely."

He's here for you

Andy Richner was sitting in the newly paneled conference room of the Park city offices and I had him all to myself. Only one other constituent had dropped in on him that morning.

"It's usually like this," he said. "Every Monday I'm somewhere in my district, but I see more people up in Lansing than I do here."

Our 1st District rep's bailiwick is the five Pointes, Harper Woods and a little chunk of Detroit's east side, and since September he's been keeping "local office" hours for voters to drop in and talk about their concerns.

It's a prime opportunity to air your case with a public servant who can influence legislation, sponsor bills and get them passed into law. Or just track down a needed death certificate.

Sometimes he gets one or two visitors, and sometimes nobody comes.

"I'd like to see more people," Andy said. "We only started this a while ago, so maybe it's too early yet."

"We've had a good response from those who have come so far," said his administrative assistant, **Denise LeVasseur**, who commutes to Lansing from her home in the Park.

Richner will be at the Farms offices; Dec. 8, the Village offices of the Shores, and Dec. 15, the Woods Community Center, nine to 10 a.m. each day.

Got an FYI tip? Call Ken Eatherly at (313)822-4091, or E-mail him at KSCD36A@PRODIGY.COM



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Wild Wings Gallery; Ryanne Co.; St. James Youth Group; Ultimate Precision.

We would also like to thank all of the businesses who contributed raffle prizes and donations. They all made our raffle a big success:

Detroit Symphony Orchestra; Grosse Pointe Athletic Club; Cavanaugh's; Harvey's Compleat Traveler; Grosse Pointe Florists; La Strega; Gilbert's Lounge; Opal's Hallmark; Lucy's Tavern; James Harkenrider - rider- designer; Josef's; Village Toy Co.; Pat O'Grady's; Something Special; President Tuxedo; Macomb Center for the Performing Arts; Warren Racquet and Fitness - Bob Buhl; Valente Jewelers; Blue Pointe Restaurant; Tassels; Edwin Paul; The Nature Nook; Mack-Moross Amoco; Bruegger's; Caribou Coffee; Mack Avenue; English Gardens; Telly's Place; Wimbledon Racquet Club; Damman Hardware; Mrs. Doris Miriani; Crew's Inn Restaurant - Fred Metry; Wheatland Bread Co.; Trent David Salon; Second City; Schummer's Ski Shop; Charvat the Florist; Andiamo's Lakefront Bistro; Healy's Health Hut; Jack's Waterfront Restaurant; Wild Wings Gallery; Party Adventure; Pointe Pedlar; Connie's Children Shop; Harper Sport Shop; radio station Q95.5 and Fisher Theatre.

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Special thanks go out to Shorecrest Lanes for providing the bowling center.

Gloria Kitchen
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Thank you for raising funds

To the Editor:

For those of you who don't know, the Grosse Pointe community lost a valuable asset with the passing of Mr. Joe Beer, a language teacher for the Grosse Pointe Public School system, due to his long battle with cancer.

As a father, husband, teacher, coach and humanitarian he is irreplaceable. The memory of his contributions will be long-lasting.

In order to make one of Mr. Beer's dreams come true, the Grosse Pointe North High School community had a pasta dinner on Sunday, Nov. 16, to raise the funds necessary to underwrite the cost of testing 49 bone marrow registration candidates. The number 49 is significant because Mr. Beer was only with us for 49 years.

We cannot adequately express the extreme pride that we experienced as the Grosse Pointe community came together to support this worthy cause and the Beer family. Therefore, we would like to thank the community members and the North students, who donated food, paper products, financial support, time, energy and love to make this possible.

Muchas gracias, mis amigos!

The Friends of
Mr. Joe Beer

Bloom

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developed nations, who are utterly dependent upon them for oil. On the other hand, they must understand that they have the resources to correct the ills of their own society. There is money enough so that no Arab need be poor or rootless.

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Unhappy with movie industry

To the Editor:

I am unhappy with the movie industry, always for the pond scum they have been producing, and also for making it more difficult to go to a movie.

We used to have a choice of theaters. I remember the Punch and Judy for Saturday matinees, and the penny candy store adjacent. Later as tastes matured, there was the Esquire with Al Green's adjacent. Also, there was the Alger, and one on Charlevoix at the city limits (Aloma?), and finally the Woods.

I am no subscriber to the buggy whip limits of progress. Television has made serious inroads on the movie distribution industry; however, in recent trips to the Woods, it has always seemed rather crowded — at least for movies made for an I.Q. over 60.

Now we must travel to a multi (mega?) plex at a distance that suggests one pack a lunch.

In each passing year, I find it more and more difficult to stir one's stumps to go to a movie — particularly when the starting time invades the "hour of charm." It is easier to wait for Blockbuster to get the film. I feel no pressing need to be the first on the block to see "Teenage Star Troop Vampires."

Yet once in a while Hollywood will do something of merit that I wish to see — or thought I did. Recently, I saw "L.A. Confidential." They called it a noir film. Noir in French means black. They were right; all but two of the original cast were alive at the end — a complete noir-out.

I wish St. John Hospital well with the parking lot that will replace the Woods theater. Perhaps they could erect a drive-in screen to show only four-star movies. That's OK as long as their commissary does not run the concessions.

I do miss Ginger Rogers, Fred Astaire, Alice Faye, Ingrid Bergman, Cary Grant et al. Those were the days.

John W. Coe
Grosse Pointe Woods

Grosse Pointe attitude

To the Editor:

Regarding two recent letters to the editor: My family plays hockey and we must drive too far and it is inconvenient to take the time to drive them, ergo: build me a hockey rink nearby ... hope they don't take up mountain climbing!

I'm a Grosse Pointer, well-educated and I travel a lot. How dare Comcast run their company the way they want to and take away my travel shows!

"Make 'em put 'em back on — I'm not prone to nostalgia!"

J. E. Earl
Grosse Pointe Woods

Flood plain

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ment for houses in those areas.

"Residents can purchase flood insurance now if they want," said Krajniak. "Just because the designation of the flood plain has gone from 100 years to 500 years doesn't mean that that area will never be flooded. It just means that the odds of a flood occurring have been dramatically reduced."

The cost of insurance to homeowners in the area has been great, Krajniak said. Residents were spending between $600 and $1,200 a year for the insurance. About 1,000 homes are in the flood plain.

The city council gave the berm project a very high priority, said Krajniak. A special committee consisting of councilmembers Steve Safranek, Shirley Kennedy and Valerie Moran oversaw the project. But a major reason it took so long was that Park officials had to deal with several federal agencies, including FEMA and the Army Corps of Engineers.

When the city came up with an engineering plan to protect the flood plain, it had to submit it to the Army Corps of Engineers. City officials then had to wait for the Corps to approve the plan or make some suggestions as to how to improve it, said Krajniak, which is what the Corps ultimately did.

When the city altered its plans in response to Corps suggestions, it had to resubmit it to the Corps for final approval.

Then once construction was completed, FEMA had to inspect the work before certifying any revision in the flood plain designation, said Krajniak. That took time.

The city also had to work with several residents on whose property some of the berms had to be built because of issues of property rights.

Now that FEMA has granted final approval, the city council has six months to enact ordinances protecting the berms.

But most important for residents, Krajniak said, insurance will no longer be required in the flood plain area 90 days after FEMA places public notifications in the local newspaper, in this case, the Grosse Pointe News.

The first notification was placed in the Nov. 20 edition of the paper. Another notification has been placed in today's edition. That means beginning on Feb. 26, 1998, Park residents in the flood plain will no longer be required to carry flood insurance.

Krajniak said that the city is in contact with insurance agencies to find out if people who paid for a year's insurance in advance might get a refund for the time paid for after Feb. 26.

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Ferry funny

The fall festival at Ferry Elementary School was fun for all with special guest comedian O.J. Anderson, center, who presided over games, good food and a talent show. Event co-chairmen were Mary Weathers and Joanne Dennis, accompanied by third-grade students Stephanie and Becky Dennis.

Grosse Pointe organizations help maintain the area's athletic fields

Unlike many communities which have single parks and recreation departments, the Grosse Pointes are different, having a variety of organizations providing recreation facilities and activities.

This has created an unusual situation for the many groups who need playing space in the Pointes. Soccer, lacrosse, softball, baseball and football are sports that use athletic fields provided by the Grosse Pointe Public School System and local governments. There is high participation in these sports and local fields are intensively used.

In October 1982, representatives of community groups using school sites for activities formed the Grosse Pointe Field Use Committee to assist in scheduling and maintaining athletic fields. In 1994, soccer and lacrosse organizations using the fields developed a plan to share the cost of improving and maintaining athletic fields.

These groups have contributed $51,500 over the past three years to the school system and local governments. With these funds, the committee has coordinated extensive maintenance and improvements to local fields. Regular maintenance, including aeration, seeding and fertilization, has been performed at many sites. In addition, substantial improvements have been made to soccer fields at Ferry, Trombly, Richard, Barnes, Pierce and Poupard.

Most recently, the school board accepted a $10,000 gift to install irrigation on a large portion of the Ferry Elementary School playfield.

Groups contribute an amount that reflects their level of field usage. The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association and the Neighborhood Club have the largest number of players and they contribute the largest amounts toward field maintenance. The Neighborhood Club also administers the Field Use Committee, and oordinates scheduling, manages the maintenance fund, the coordinates maintenance with the Grosse Pointe Public School System and local governments.

The following is a list of contributors over the last three years: Grosse Pointe Soccer Association: $17,730; Neighborhood Club: $17,050; Pointe Girls' Soccer Association: $9,780; St. Paul Athletic Department: $2,410; St. Clare Athletic Department: $2,040; Star of the Sea Athletic Department, $1,110; Eastside United Soccer Club: $800; and the Grosse Pointe United AC Soccer Club: $600.

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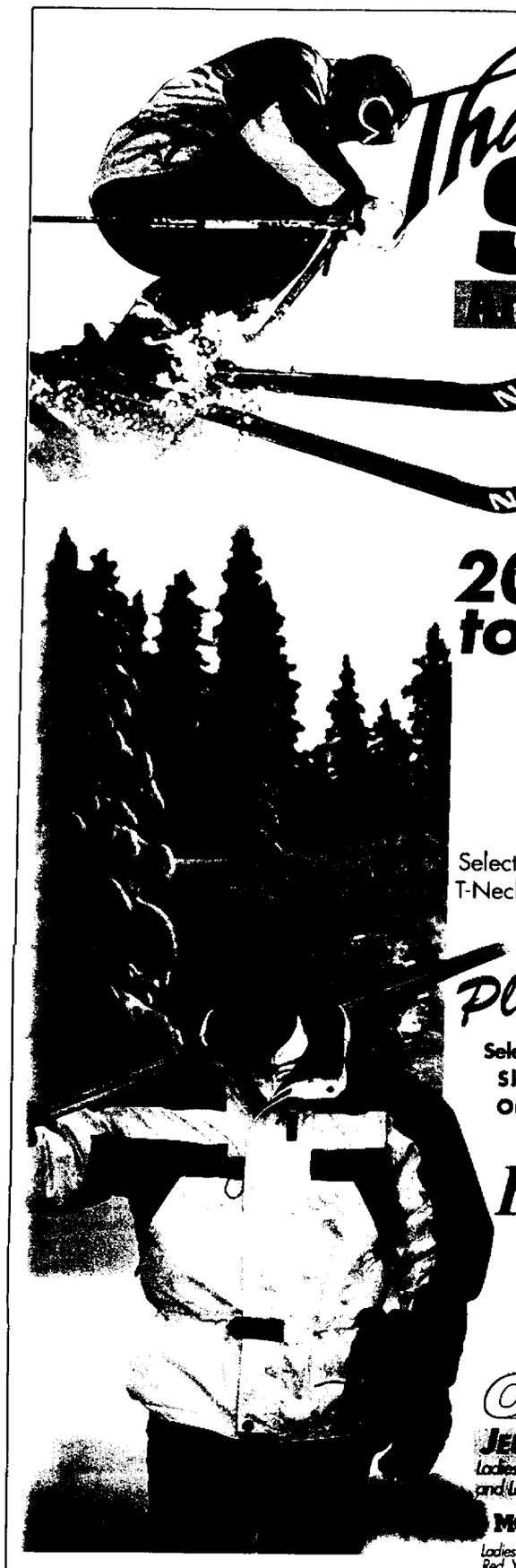
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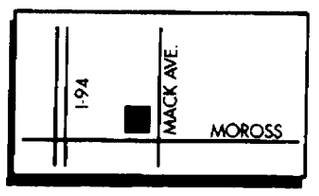
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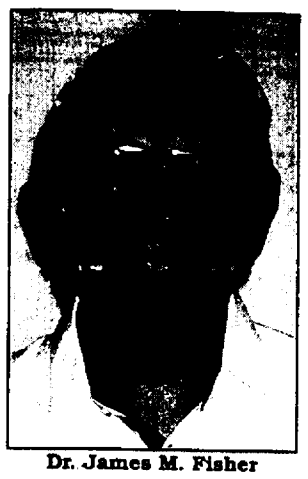
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Dr. James M. Fisher

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A funeral service was held on Thursday, Nov. 20, in the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods for Grosse Pointe Farms resident James M. Fisher, M.D., who died in Bon Secours Hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe on Sunday, Nov. 16, 1997, of complications from leukemia.

Dr. Fisher, 81, was born in Jacksonville, Fla., and received his undergraduate degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He earned his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University's medical school.

A major in the U.S. Army during World War II, Dr. Fisher served in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He was chief of pediatrics at Bon Secours and Cottage hospitals, as well as serving on the staff of St. John Hospital in Detroit. He was the school doctor for University Liggett School from 1956-1985.

A curious man, Dr. Fisher loved science and the study of nature, which he passed on to his children.

Dr. Fisher is survived by his wife, Melba; three daughters, Carol Shumaker, Sally Wilson and Nancy Korn; three sisters; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Robert G. Russell

A memorial service will he held on Friday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. in Christ Church Grosse Pointe in Grosse Pointe Farms for Grosse Pointe Woods resi-



Robert G. Russell

dent Robert Gilmore Russell, who died Monday, Nov. 10, 1997, in St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Mr. Russell, 69, was born in Detroit and received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan in 1951 and his law degree with distinction from the school in 1953.

An attorney with the firm of Kerr, Russell and Weber in Detroit, Mr. Russell practiced law in both state and federal courts and taught legal writing and research at the Wayne State University law school. He was one of Michigan's original court mediators, serving in the Wayne County court system.

An active member of the community, Mr. Russell served as a senior warden of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. He also was a member of the Metropolitan Opera Guild and the Detroit Institute of Arts Founders Society, as well as a patron of the Detroit Historical Society and the Detroit Zoological Institute's Renaissance Circle.

Mr. Russell was a member of several organizations, including the Detroit and American bar associations, the State Bar of Michigan, in which he was member of the negligence council, chairing it from 1988-1989. He also belonged to the International Association of Insurances Counsels, the American Judicature Society, the Association of Defense Trial Counsel, and was president of the group's Detroit Metropolitan Chapter from 1973-1974.

He was also a member of the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel, the American Board of Trial Advocates and was a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, and a life member of the American Bar Foundation and the Michigan Bar Foundation.

Mr. Russell is survived by his wife, M. Sue Russell; two daughters, Robin Millstein and Julie Russell Smith; a sister, Nancy Bierley; his mother, Esther Russell; and five grandchildren.

Interment is at Acacia Park Cemetery in Birmingham. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 760160, Lathrup Village, Mich., 48076.



William Bramer

William H. Bramer

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Nov. 22, in the St. Johns United Church of Christ in Port Huron for former Grosse Pointe Farms resident William H. Bramer, who died on Sunday, Nov. 16, 1997.

Mr. Bramer 78, worked for the Grand Trunk Railroad for 43 years and was a veteran of the armed forces, he served during World War II, in the China-India-Burma theater of operations.

An active man, Mr. Bramer enjoyed golf and football and was known as a great sportsman. He was also a volunteer for the American Red Cross and enjoyed sailing on the Great Lakes.

Mr. Bramer is survived by his wife, Elaine; two daughters, Linda Holman and Judy Ball; a step-daughter, Cheryl Saunders; two step-sons, John and Douglas Blatt; a brother, Thomas; four grandchildren; and several step-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Clair County chapter of the American Red Cross, 615 Pine Street, Port Huron, Mich., 48060.

Nancy J. Schmelz

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Nov. 22, in the Silver Spring Presbyterian Church in Mechanicsburg, Pa., for former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Nancy J. Schmelz, who died of complications from pancreatic cancer on Monday, Nov. 17, 1997.

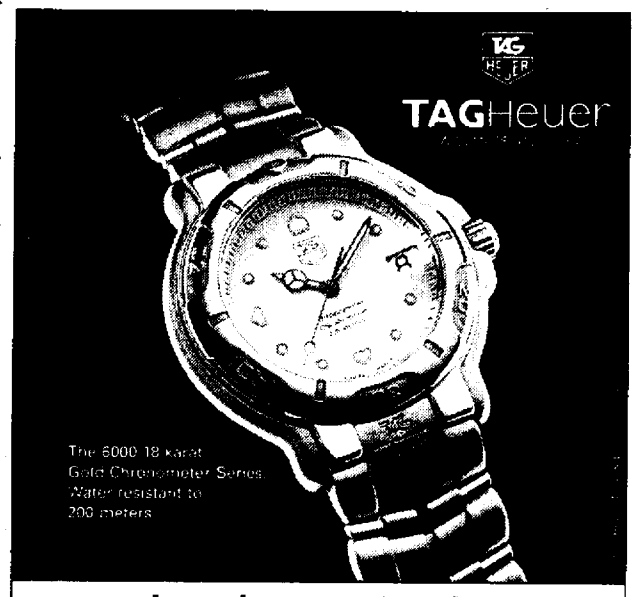
Mrs. Schmelz, 50, was born in Detroit and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1965 and earned an undergraduate degree from Western Michigan University and her graduate degree from Wayne State. Both degrees were in education.

Before moving to Pennsylvania, Mrs. Schmelz taught at Monteith and Poupard in the Grosse Pointe Public School System and continued to teach in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Schmelz is survived by her husband, Robert; two sons, Peter and Mark; her parents, Ralph and Jeanette Watkins; and a brother, Dale. She was predeceased by her brother, Ralph Watkins Jr.

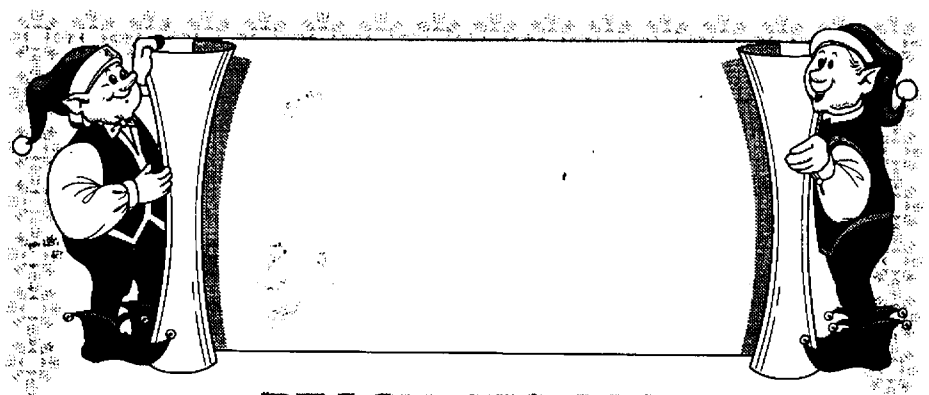
Funeral arrangements were handled by the Cremation Society of Pennsylvania. Memorial contributions may be made to the Christian Education Fund of the Silver Spring Presbyterian Church, 444 Silver Spring Road, Mechanicsburg, Pa., 17055.

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Fundraisers

Grosse Pointe South High School's class of 2001 is selling **flannel boxers** for a fundraiser. The boxers, with "South" imprinted on the waistband and pantleg, come in two styles: Black Watch or Royal Stewart plaid. Sizes are medium, large and extra large. The boxers make perfect holiday gifts and sell for $15 each. Send checks payable to GPSHS Class of 2001, to Karen Cassetta, 437 Lakeland, Grosse Pointe 48230, or call (313) 881-1556. The items also are available in the school store.

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Students from Maire, Defer and Trombly elementary schools participating in this year's **French Back-to-Back Program** are holding a "pop can" fundraiser in early January.

Students are raising funds in order to make their required contribution to maintaining this program in the school system.

This contribution is to cover the administrative costs of running the program and making sure the French students enjoy their visit to Grosse Pointe. Families pay for their own children to travel to France.

Pick-up of cans will be on Saturday, Jan. 17. Start saving cans now and further details will be made available in January.

Reunions

The **Grosse Pointe North High School** class of 1992 is holding its fifth reunion on Friday, Nov. 28, from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Gourmet House in St. Clair Shores. The cost is $25 a person in advance, or $30 at the door. Call Matt Bejin at (313) 882-9137 or Jeff Gates at (313) 886-2142 for more information.

Events

Defer Elementary School is hosting its annual **book fair** beginning on Tuesday, Dec. 2 through Saturday, Dec. 6. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday and 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Sponsored by the Defer PTO, the event will benefit the school library. Scholastic books will be for sale and the event is open to the entire community. Defer is at 15425 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call the school office at (313) 343-2253 for more information.

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The **Grosse Pointe South High School choirs** present its holiday concert at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, in the Jefferson Ave. Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson at Burns in the Indian Village district of Detroit. Secured parking is available across the street in the Whittier parking lot or behind the church. The choir will be accompanied by organist Lawrence Picard and is directed by Ellen Bowen. Tickets are $6 for seniors and students and $8 for adults. They are available at Posterity: A Gallery, 16837 Kercheval, in the Village. For more information, call Susan Noethen at (313) 884-1932.

SCHOOL NEWS



Lucky Star XVI

Our Lady Star of the Sea is again holding the "Catch a Lucky Star XVI" raffle to benefit the elementary school. The annual raffle and social offers prizes of a $10,000 winner, two $5,000 winners, and 20 $1,000 winners. Only 900 tickets will be sold. The social and drawing will take place in the parish center on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets are $100 each and can be purchased through the school office (313) 884-1070 or the parish office at (313) 884-5554.

Accolades

Grosse Pointe North High School student **David Kennedy** donated his $1,000 prize in the Farmer Jack Savings Bond Sweepstakes to his school. He was one of three winners of the contest sponsored by the supermarket and General Mills. His total prize was $10,000 in U.S. Savings bonds for himself and a $1,000 cash prize which he gave to his school for the purchase of educational materials.

Scholarships

Members of the **Dominican High School** class of 1963 responded to the threatened closure of the school last spring by launching a scholarship drive. Grosse Pointe residents who initiated the project are Mary Ann Hastings Stephens and Joyce Rashid Ronan. They returned to their alma mater recently to meet former classmates and to award a partial scholarship to Deanna Burns.

Busy students

Students in Nicole Freeman's second and third grade classes at **Defer Elementary School** held their annual **Invention Convention** on Nov. 20.

Family and friends were invited to see the various inventions including a Beanie Baby board game, choose-the-color-of-the-gumball machine, a chocolate-filled marshmallow, an electrogym, a flotation equipped baby carrier for boating and a hockey bag on wheels.

The convention culminated six weeks of work by the students, which included the study of various inventors and the creative process that goes into inventing.

Each student was required to keep a log throughout the process and discuss their own inventions with potential users. Students also had to provide a cost analysis, a diagram and a model of their creation. Students then had to fill out a mock patent application and had to defend their invention to classmates.

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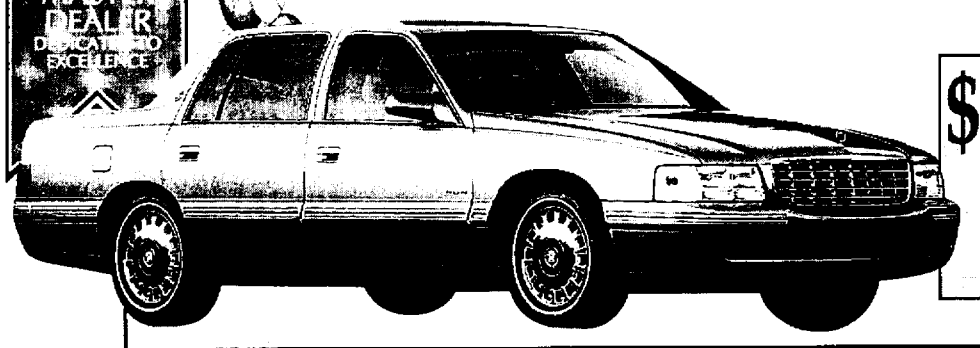
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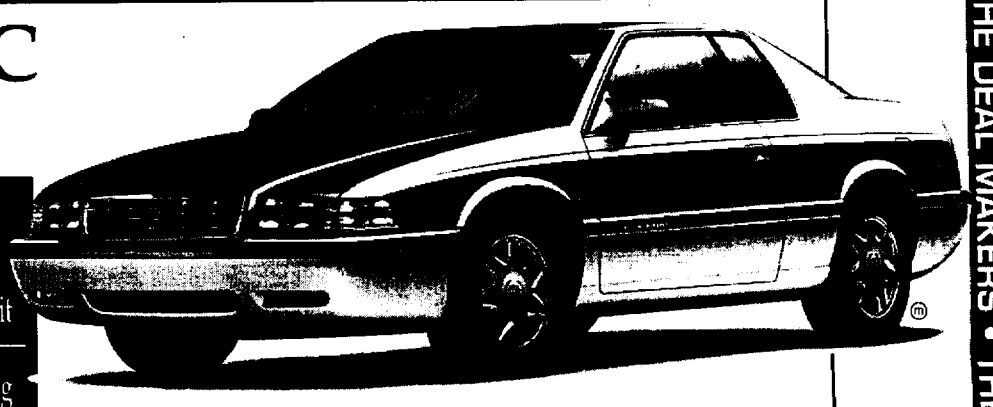
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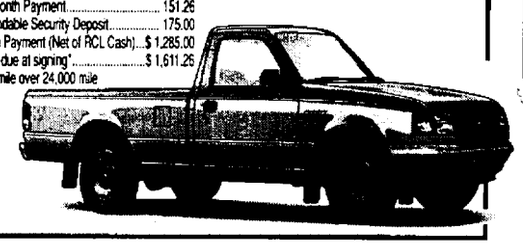
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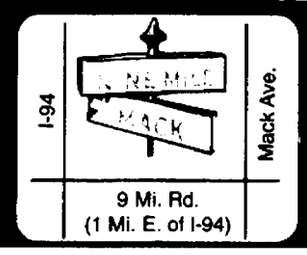
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Hikers

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Their first such adventure was when they were high school seniors and hiked through Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in the Upper Peninsula.

But what made them take up the challenge in early May, knowing that if they were to do this, they had to be finished by early October? Jokingly, the pair say they keep doing it because they're postponing the inevitable: settling down, taking on responsibilities that will make such adventures inaccessible. They keep wanting to do it "just one more time."

What made them want to carry everything they owned in one pack on their back? To forgo modern conveniences in exchange for encounters with wild animals, extremes in weather and temperatures?

"We (did it) for the freedom, the beauty. We have seen so much of the country that most people haven't seen," Gayman said.

While the experience exposed them to breathtaking sights and rare encounters with wildlife, forged friendships with other hikers along the trail, tested their mettle and instilled in them confidence and courage, it also served as a fundraiser for Cottage Hospice's Helping Hands program.

"(The fundraising aspect) of the hike was a bonus," Gayman said. "When we started on the Appalachian Trail, Randy's mom (who works for Cottage Hospice) suggested we raise money for the organization. It was a bonus to help other people while doing something that we loved. It was great for us and it felt good."

The pair raised an estimated $7,000 on their Appalachian trek. It is not known at this time what money has been pledged toward their latest walk, said a spokesman for Helping Hands, since the fundraising aspect has not yet been finalized.

Helping Hands is a program run through Cottage Hospice whereby donated funds go toward helping the families of hospice patients to pay for utilities, funeral expenses, tuition, etc.

Fun and fundraising aside, there were times when the pair thought they wouldn't make it. The journey began with a 700-mile stretch through the Mojave desert. While the Appalachian trial — what Aardema called a "green tunnel" — was tougher to hike because it takes the traveler to every peak; Aardema said the Pacific Crest was easier to walk because it is graded to be a horse trail. The major difference was the Pacific trail offered a wider variety of climates, terrain and dangers.



Their journey was marked with a variety of obstacles: coiled rattlesnakes blocked their path. The searing heat of the Mojave was unavoidable: there was no place to seek shade. Rain and snow kept them cold and wet and numb for days. An encounter with a baby mountain lion ended on a good note when the cub ran away from them rather than toward them, thereby averting an encounter with the mother. When they reached Washington and Oregon, they had to outwit hungry black bears and keep their wits as they scaled icy mountain passes.

Their previous hikes prepared them for this journey. They learned to only carry on their back those things they'd need every day: A tent, sleeping bags, a sleeping pad, enough food for four days, toothbrush, soap, water and a water filter. They wore all their clothes, dressing in layers. They also wore running shoes rather than hiking boots, a personal preference, and said they served them well.

Tricks they learned from experience: What they may need in a week but didn't need at the time, they mailed ahead to the next town. They lived on a limited diet of cereal and dehydrated milk, fresh berries, bagels and peanut butter, candy bars (you walk all the calories off, Gayman pointed out) mashed potatoes and macaroni and cheese.

While the desert heat held its own challenges, the High Sierras of mid-California had its own obstacles. Gayman admitted to a crippling fear of heights which she had no choice but to overcome as they maneuvered several mountain passes.

It worked out that some fellow hikers, whom the couple had met earlier in their journey, had met up with them and offered the use of their ice axes, which serve as a way to "grab" the ice in order to stop a fall.

They also tested their map- and compass-reading skills when traveling through areas where the trail was covered in snow.

"Quite a few people start out each year but only 10 percent finish," Aardema said of the trail. Whether it be due to injury, illness or just giving up, few finish the journey. Gayman appeared to be the only woman to hike the trial this year, Aardema said.

The majority of the travelers are either young men in their 20s or middle-aged men: Those who still have their complete freedom or those who are just regaining some degree of it.

He said success depends upon several things including beginning at precisely the right time of year (early May). It also depends on bringing the right things. The first long-distance hike the pair went on, they weighed themselves down with too much stuff, including drinking water, they said.

Although they spoke of the freedom of such an experience, Aardema said in reality, each day is regimented. "If you're not hiking, you're in your sleeping bag. We spent only about seven days in the five months not hiking."



Pausing for a picture, Kathy Gayman, third from left, and Randy Aardema, fourth from left, are joined by fellow hiker (and former Pointe resident) Tom Dinverno, second from left. The two men at each end were hikers they periodically encountered along the journey, and who became their "best friends" on the 2,600 mile trek.

Along the way they encountered locals who were generous with their food, their showers and their homes. Some offered to give them a lift to get a few miles ahead to their destination. But Aardema and Gayman would have none of that. They knew there was no official "scorekeeping" of the trek except their own consciences. They wanted to finish with a sense of accomplishment.

The pair said they estimated the cost for them was about $1 a day for equipment, food and other provisions.

What's next for the pair? Gayman plans to finish her studies at Grand Valley State in January. She's majoring in biology and hopes to get into the physical therapy program. Aardema said he comes from a long line of educators and he'll soon be going back to college to become a math teacher.

To make a donation to Helping Hands or find out more about the program, call (810)774-4141.

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council invites public discussion on the following proposed ordinance which is being considered for second reading and final adoption at a future Council meeting. The **Public Hearing** is scheduled for December 8, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. in the **Council Room of the Municipal Building.** Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained from the City Clerk's office (telephone (313) 343-2440). The title of the ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE III, CHAPTER 9 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS OF 1975, AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS REQUIRING THE DISCONNECTION OF RAINWATER DOWNSPOUTS IN RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS.

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SEQUENCE

Chevy small-block engine of choice for car rebuilders



Chevrolet may have lost some ground in the retail sales race to Ford, Honda and Toyota, but the General Motors division is still first in the hearts of hot rod, street rod and custom car builders.

Most custom car builders recommend powering these cruisers with short-block Chevrolet V-8 engines and they say the most popular rods are early '30s Ford roadsters with Chevy V-8 engines. And they counsel owners of Willys and other more unusual makes who want their wheels modernized to go with Chevrolet V-8.

Because the Chevrolet short-block V-8 has become the rebuilders' standard, there are many companies making parts for these engines and most mechanics are not hesitant to work on them.

As a result, Chevrolet had a particular interest in the Specialty Equipment Market Association show held earlier this month in Las Vegas and was there in force with goodies for display to the custom car industry. SEMA is made up of companies that manufacture aftermarket speed equipment.

The division showed several concept, specialty and "one-off" vehicles and one that has progressed beyond that stage, the Camaro SS, which is on sale at Chevrolet dealerships.

The Chevrolet small-block V-8 is one of the most successful engines of all time, powering everything from family station wagons to NASCAR racing cars — and many custom cars and rods. So the SEMA show seemed a perfect venue to show off the latest version of the SB2 small-block V-8, which boasts redesigned cylinder heads, a new block with relocated lifter bores to improve valve train geometry and stiffer push rods.

The intake manifold has also been reshaped and is no longer a one-piece arrangement, allowing quicker reworking during races.

Another highlight of Chevrolet's display was the CERV-1 (Chevrolet Engineering Research Vehicle), built in 1960, the first of four high-performance research vehicles produced by Chevrolet over a 35-year period.

Originally, the CERV-1 was equipped with a 283-cubic-inch small block V-8 rated at 350 hp — an impressive one horse per pound of engine weight. Zora Arkus-Duntov developed the CERV-1 as a platform for engineers to develop and refine Chevrolet body, chassis and suspension systems. A ban on racing by General Motors in the early '60s prevented entry in the Indianapolis 500, Duntov's goal, and he had to settle for a few demo laps at the U.S. Grand Prix in 1960.

Designer Larry Shinoda built the CERV-1's body of fiberglass-reinforced plastic and it weighed only 80 pounds. The body was attached to a rigid 125-pound chrome-molybdenum tube frame and the entire vehicle weighed only 1,600 pounds.

Today the CERV-1 is powered by a 377-hp aluminum small-block V-8 and is capable of more than 200 miles per hour (206, says Chevrolet). It is owned by Mike Yager, president of Mid-America Designs.

Less exotic but harking back to the excitement that Chevrolet performance efforts used to generate is the Cavalier Z24 Technic, a project that uses the kind of products SEMA members market to squeeze 258 hp out of a 2.4-liter twin-cam engine, compared with the normal output of a stock Cavalier of 150 hp.

Key to the power boost is an Eaton "Twisted Roots" intercooled supercharger. The engine also features a high-output crankshaft and connecting rods, special pistons, high lift camshafts, high flow fuel injectors, increased-rate valve springs, ceramic-coated tubular stainless steel exhaust manifolds and enhanced-flow intake manifold and air filter.

So you don't miss all this, the Technic was given a brilliant red paint treatment with pearlescent orange Chevy bowties, body-color side mirrors and door handles. A hand-built hood features a functional forced-air induction system. The hood has a simulated aluminum finish and exposed rivet heads, a look carried through in the rear spoiler.

The S-10 Xtreme Force pickup truck demonstrates what can be done with aftermarket parts, a little ingenuity and some elbow grease, Chevrolet says. The concept truck, displayed at the Las Vegas show, was originally a two-wheel-drive S-10 Fleetside pickup. Engineers added aggressive Sportside rear fenders, custom tonneau cover and PPG Orange Glow paint.

Then they installed a GM Motorsports 4.5-liter V-6 engine rated at 450 hp. The vehicle is built to endure the rigors of racing, but is as comfortable off-track as on, Chevrolet says.

A one-of-a-kind Chevrolet Suburban called the Lone Star was created by Chevy's special vehicles department as a tribute to Texas, the state with the most Suburban sales. With its big red, white and blue Texas flags surrounded by the Chevy bowtie, the Lone Star bears out the Suburban's title as "the national vehicle of Texas."

Tires and wheels are unique to the vehicle, Goodrich Comp TA HR4 P275/60R-17 on 17-inch American Racing Atlas aluminum wheels.

Chevrolet built the Hot Rod Van to lead Hot Rod Magazine's 1997 Power Tour. The van, displayed at the SEMA show, is a high-tech rolling headquarters for the tour.

The vehicle started life as a stock Chevy Express van, but got custom wheels, paint and graphics, courtesy of the artists at California Hot Rods, who transformed the jet black van into a vehicle worthy of leading hot rods across country.

Majestic Vans, of Saginaw, replaced the stock interior with black leather quad bucket seats and wood accents and a work station equipped with computer outlets and cellular communications technology.

The van is also equipped with a refrigerator, two VCRs and three television sets, including a large-screen unit used to broadcast information to event participants.

Rounding out its high-tech components was GM's OnStar global positioning sensor to keep the Los Angeles-to-Detroit tour on track. Powering the vehicle is a 5700 V-8 putting out 245 hp.



The Chevrolet Suburban Lone Star was created as a tribute to Texas, where that vehicle has run up its best sales and has been proclaimed "the national vehicle of Texas."



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Steal and run

Grosse Pointe Park public safety officers investigated two automobile thefts that ended in a similar manner.

The first took place on Tuesday, Nov. 18, at about 10:45 p.m. A resident had reported that a 1985 Buick had just been stolen from the 1400 block of Beaconsfield. Patrol officers responding to the call saw a car matching the description of the stolen vehicle crossing Mack at Lakepointe.

A short chase ensued and the suspects bailed out of the car in the 4300 block of Lakepointe in Detroit, escaping on foot.

The second incident happened at about 10:30 on Wednesday, Nov. 19. A Park patrol unit attempted to stop a 1997 Ford Taurus that was traveling along Kercheval near Wayburn without lights.

Instead of stopping, the driver fled west into Detroit, eventually jumping out of the car while it was still moving and escaping on foot in the area of Mack and Newport.

A check revealed the car had just been stolen in Detroit. It was missing the radio and passenger air bag.

Armed robbery

A Woods resident was robbed at gunpoint on Thursday, Nov. 20, at about 2:10 p.m.

The victim told police that after parking her car in the lot of a grocery store in the 20300 block of Mack, she began to get out of her car.

But before she could do that, a woman came up to her, pointed a handgun at her and told her to hand over her purse, which the victim did.

The suspect then fled the scene on foot. The victim was unable to tell police in what direction the suspect fled.

Woods car chase

A Woods patrol officer was monitoring traffic in the 22000 block of Vernier at about 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20, when he clocked a white Ford Aerostar going 47 mph in a 35 mph zone.

When the officer attempted to pull the van over, the driver sped away toward Harper, eventually turning onto Harper and getting on the I-94 access ramp.

The Woods officer followed the suspect onto I-94, but after the chase reached speeds of 80 mph, the officer was ordered to let the van get away before someone was hurt.

The officer was able to get the van's license number, and it was traced to a hardware store in Detroit. The incident remains under investigation.

— Jim Stickford

Car stolen

Grosse Pointe City police are investigating the theft of a car Nov. 12 in the 800 block of Grosse Pointe Court.

According to reports, the victim reported the 1986 Chevrolet Caprice missing from the street.

There are no suspects in custody.

Fire controlled

Grosse Pointe City police were called to extinguish a fire that got out of control Nov. 22 in the 200 block of Rivard.

According to reports, the fire in the house's fireplace was extinguished after the occupants could not control it.

Failed larceny

A potential larceny was thwarted by shatter-proof glass in a display window at a clothing store in the Village Nov. 22.

Police said the suspect tried to shatter the window with a fire extinguisher. The suspect fled after the glass didn't break and the store's security system was activated.

There are no suspects in custody.

Neon nabbed

Grosse Pointe Farms police are investigating the theft of a 1997 Dodge Neon in the 18000 block of Mack Nov. 19.

According to reports, the owner said the car was locked and police found no broken glass near the area. The owner also lost a karate bag and gear and four CDs that were in the car.

There are no suspects in custody.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Robbery

Grosse Pointe Farms police are looking for a man who held up a woman on Ridge near Muir Nov. 14 while she was fixing a flat tire on her car.

According to reports, the victim reported the man approached her from behind at about 4:30 p.m. and struck her on the head while she was crouched over fixing the flat.

The man said he had a gun and told the victim not to look at him and to empty her pockets.

The victim complied and handed over $372 and her purse. The man then fled on foot.

The suspect is described as a black male in his 20s. He is 5-feet-10-and has a medium complexion. The man is clean-shaven and was wearing a black and red jacket and black pants.

There are no suspects in custody.

— John Lundberg

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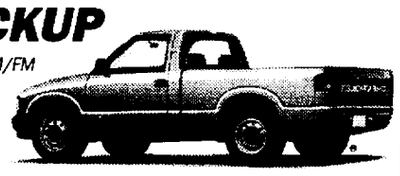
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Much can be obtained with dedication and stamina

Prime Time



By Marian Trainor

Energy may be an economic and political problem but when it comes to members of the older generation, it seems to be in good supply.

Not long ago, it was unusual to read of an older person launching a successful business venture or winning in an athletic venture. It is rewarding and inspiring to read of their accomplishments and victories. It can be an inspiration for all of us to try to make some of our wishes become realities.

Take for instance Evelyn Havens of Manhattan who started running at the age of 66 to combat a severe case of arthritis. Before she hung it up she completed 90 races and seven marathons and was named the "Senior Woman of the Year" by the New York Runners club.

Another example is Althea Jureidini who at 64 became interested in running after her six daughters were grown. Because of weak knees she settled for racewalking and won more than 75 awards in that category.

In spite of the crowd that marathons attract, there are those who could care less about that activity. But there are other sports that can be enjoyed and result in the same degree of satisfaction and good feelings.

One of these is golf, a sport that can be played almost from the cradle to the grave.

Bill Campbell of West Virginia started playing when he was 3 years old. In his growing years he played in 37 U.S. Amateur tournaments. In 1964 he finally won the U.S. Amateurs on his 21st try.

In 1979 and 1980 he won the U.S. Senior Amateur championship. These accomplishments are all the more remarkable when we consider that Campbell was just a weekend golfer.

Cycling is another activity that can be enjoyed at any age. Fred Knoller, at 85, was the oldest registered bike racer in the world.

He was the guest of honor at the 1981 Coors Classic in Boulder, Colo., the most prestigious and difficult bike race in America.

Knoller was invited to compete all over the world. He competed in a 47 kilometer race through

The Tyrolean Alps in St. John, Austria. He finished second just 13 minutes behind an 81-year-old German rider who had spent his life cycling through those treacherous mountains.

This is all the more remarkable when one considers he had artificial joints in both his arthritic hips. Knoller's itinerary called for a program of a least 75 miles a cycling.

Clarence Chaffee retired in 1970 as Director of Athletics of Williams College and decided to concentrate on tournament tennis.

By the time he was 81 he had won 41 national titles. Symbolic of each title is a gold-plated tennis ball. It took two Christmas trees to display all he has won.

Although the examples cited are more involved in their chosen sports than many who take sports more casually, they do serve to indicate what is possible to attain with dedication and stamina.

With most of us, it would take the same degree of perseverance just to maintain a reasonable routine of exercise. However, it seems to be worth the effort.

What appears to be grueling, they firmly state is pleasurable and pays off in good health and mental acuity.

The U.S. Surgeon General, in his "Report on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention," agreed.

The report reads, "People who exercise report that they feel better, have more energy and require less sleep."

Regular exercisers often lose excess weight as well as improve muscular strength and flexibility. Many experience psychological benefits including enhanced self esteem.

Other benefits include, decreased anxiety, and relief from mild depression.

If exercise has never been an important activity in your daily program, it is never too late to begin a program for healthful and vigorous living.

With proper guidance and medical approval, most people can remain physically active. Being in good physical condition can open many doors, not just those that lead to medals and recognition in athletic events but in other fields as well.

The best-known example of vigor sustained by daily exercise is President Ronald Reagan.

Putting aside approval or disapproval of his policies, there can be no argument regarding his youthful appearance or his physical endurance.

Even after his severe wounding by a would-be assassin's bullet, he returned to his favorite pastime of horseback riding and wood chopping. There is also not much doubt that his quick recovery was partly due to his excellent health.

Another person of our time and a local resident who was physically active until his death at 84 was Henry Ford. Although he funded a car company, he didn't spend all of this time as a passenger in his product. He was a walker and a bicyclist.

Harold Mistele is just one of them. Mistele founded the Mistele Coal and Oil Co. which was condemned to make way for the new General Motors assembly plant in Poletown.

At 67 he set six world aviation records in 40 years of flying seaplanes.

And the list could go on. Almost everyone knows of some remarkable older person who has refused to let years interfere with aspirations.

If you examine their lives, you will find that they subscribe to some form of activity. It may be some form of structured sports, weekly square dancing, ballroom dancing or just a daily walk.

But whatever it is, they keep moving physically and if they choose, pursue other interests as well because they have the stamina to do so.

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- Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn — center second floor.
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"The post office is committed to making the holidays brighter by providing the best customer service," says Carl T. January Jr., Detroit district manager. "The mall post offices are a great convenience for our customers, especially during the holidays."

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Grosse Pointe News and The Connection newspapers are planning their 3rd annual special edition featuring the babies of the past year. We hope you (and the little one) will participate by supplying us with a photograph of your child (only 1997 babies, please) for publication in this section.

This tabloid will be published in January, 1998. Your child's picture, along with other 1997 babies, will be the main attraction! News and advertising about clothing, feeding, educating and caring for your child will also be included. It will be very informative as well as a commemorative edition for you!

Please send a cute, clear photo (color or black & white, home or studio produced, preferably smaller than a 5x7) to Grosse Pointe News & The Connection, 96 Kercheval Grosse Pointe Farms Michigan 48236. Attention: Kim Kozlowski, Display Advertising. Complete the information slip with your child's full name, date of birth and hospital and return it with your photo. Please include this information on the back of the photo.

Your picture must be received in our office no later than Monday December 22nd, earlier would assist our production schedule. (Late November and December birth photos may be submitted until January 6, 1998.)

We look forward to producing our annual "Baby Edition" and are sure you want your little one included. A limited number of extra copies will be available for purchase to give to family and friends.

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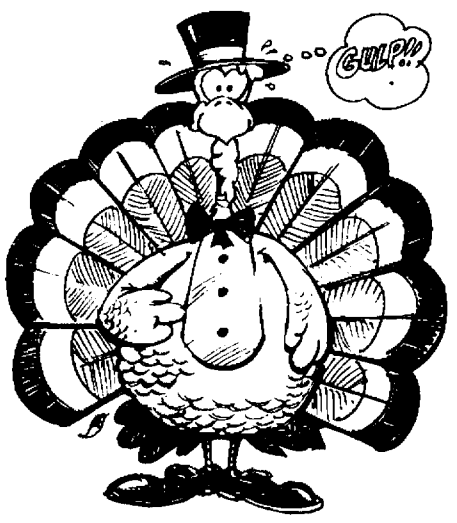
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SEQUENCE

Vote by mail a step closer to reality; now being discussed in state House

By Curtis Hertel and Agnes Dobronski

Imagine a day when you can sit at your dining room table and vote. Not with an absentee ballot, but with a ballot you received in the mail from your local clerk, that you can mail back anytime before the election.

No more waiting in long lines at polling places. No more kicking yourself because you forgot to stop and vote on your way to work in the morning, or before your child's soccer game after work.

Vote by mail is close to becoming a reality in Michigan. The proposal joins our "no excuses" absentee ballot legislation as the two most significant election reforms in Michigan in recent memory. These innovative proposals are aimed at making voting more convenient and accessible to Michigan voters.

The vote-by-mail proposal, currently being considered in the Michigan House of Representatives, would allow local units of government to conduct local elections by mail in 1999. Statewide elections would be added in 2004.

Under the proposal, local clerks would mail out ballots for an election to every registered voter 20 days prior to the election. The voter would fill out the ballot, and return it in the mail or in person to the clerk's office no later than the ending time of the election that day.

A signature on the return envelope would be used to verify the voter's identity. The ballots would be processed by the clerk's staff just like absentee ballots are currently counted. Voters would receive a new ballot upon request if the one mailed to them became spoiled, lost or destroyed. Safeguards have been built into the legislation to guarantee clean elections.

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At least 17 other states allow vote by mail for certain elections. Oregon, Nevada and North Dakota use vote by mail in larger, partisan elections. In January of 1996, in a special election, Oregon experienced a 66.3 percent turnout through vote by mail.

Our proposals are designed to making voting more convenient so more people will participate in the elections process. Vote by mail also gives voters the chance to study candidates and issues more closely before voting.

Vote by mail is just one innovation the House Local Government Committee has approved. Earlier this year, the Michigan House approved a bill that would provide for "no excuses" absentee ballots.

Under current law, Michigan residents must offer one of six reasons why they require an absentee ballot. They include being 60 years of age or older, out of town on the day of the election, physically unable to come to the polling place, religious beliefs, appointed an elections inspector in another voting precinct or confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

The "no excuses" absentee ballot would remove those burdensome mandates for people wishing to vote. Under this legislation, anyone could request and receive an absentee ballot, regardless of the reason.

People today lead very busy lives. Between career and family obligations, the simple act of voting is often forgotten about or sacrificed because of a time crunch. Under both of these proposals, people wishing to participate in the democratic process would have greater access to voting than ever before.

Curtis Hertel (D-Detroit) is the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives. Representative Agnes Dobronski (D-Dearborn) is chair of the House Local Government Committee.

Cranberries: *A little history; a simple recipe*

Thanksgiving is a big week for cranberries.

Cranberries were first gathered by Native Americans who used the berries for food, dye and medicine. The first white settlers discovered the fruit in the mid-1600s.

A cranberry begins as a white blossom on top of a plant that is grown in bogs (swamps). Eventually the blossoms fall off, leaving a hard, green berry with a brown spike called a style. The style carries the pollen from the flower to the seeds inside the berry, then falls off the berry as well.

The pilgrims thought the white flowers resembled the head of a bird called a crane and called the plants craneberries, today known as cranberries.

Cranberries blossom in June, grow all summer long, and look like waxy green marbles until September, when their skins start to turn red. The berries are picked in October, just in time for the start of the holiday season.

Tomorrow, hosts at dinner tables everywhere will be carving up the traditional turkey and topping it with cranberry sauce of one sort or another.

À LA ANNIE



By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Please don't let it be from a can.

There are several easy and delicious recipes for cranberry sauce. Check your cook books or a November issue of a food or home magazine. You can find cranberries at grocery stores and produce markets. Buy the berries fresh and freeze them for later use.

After researching many recipes, I chose a cranberry sauce that is not only easy (only six ingredients) but quick to make (about 30 minutes) and can be stored in the refrigerator for several days, so you can enjoy it on the leftover turkey.

Cranberry-bourbon Relish

1 Cup bourbon
1/4 Cup minced shallots
Grated zest of 1 orange
1 12-oz package of fresh cranberries
1 Cup sugar
1 Teaspoon freshly ground pepper

In a small non-reactive saucepan, combine the bourbon, shallots and orange zest. Bring to a boil over moderate heat; lower the heat and simmer, stirring occasionally until the bourbon is reduced to a syrupy glaze on the bottom of the pan — about 10 minutes.

Add the cranberries and sugar, stirring well, until the sugar dissolves. Reduce the heat slightly and simmer, uncovered, until most of the cranberries have burst open — about 10 minutes.

Remove from the heat and stir in the pepper. Transfer to a bowl, let cool to room temperature, cover and refrigerate.

I whipped up this cranberry relish in no time at all, it tastes wonderful, and I'll be serving it at Mom's dinner table tomorrow.

Safe travels and Happy Thanksgiving.

The recipe is from "The Best Of Food and Wine Holiday Collection Cookbook," submitted by Michael McLaughlin.

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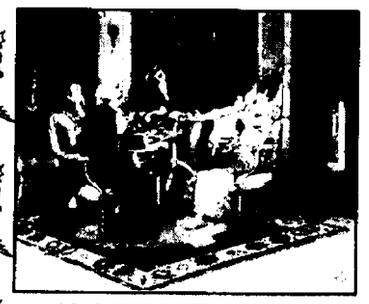
SESSION II: featuring property belonging to a private Michigan collector.

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'Make A Difference Day' was a generous, caring success

"Make A Difference Day" was a real success. It was people making a difference.

Area volunteers joined over 1 million volunteers across the country on Saturday, Oct. 25. "Make A Difference Day" is the nation's largest day of helping others sponsored by USA Weekend magazine and the Points of Light Foundation.

The Interfaith Caregivers, a program of Services for Older Citizens (SOC), brought together area churches, youth groups, clubs and various individuals and families of the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods to enable people to serve their elderly and disabled adult neighbors.

"Make A Difference Day" is one way to address the youth component of the Interfaith Caregivers' mission and at the same time involve other members of the community. Also, it is a way of collaborating with other groups to increase awareness, build new relationships and share resources.

Bridging the gap between generations, 190 volunteers from 5 to 80-plus years, 139 of them youth, served their elderly neighbors while learning about people. The volunteers devoted their time, energy and commitment by raking and cleaning 56 yards, making cards and delivering flowers to 134 homebound elderly residents in this seventh annual "Make A Difference Day."

The Interfaith Caregivers led the way in this event, in its second consecutive year, making some elderly neighbors very happy. The volunteers gathered at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church to get their work assignments and returned afterward for refreshments and music by internationally known Robert Taylor. The music was enjoyed by all, but especially by the youth who were taken by Taylor's charismatic nature. It was a reward well earned after all the hard work.

"When we all try to make a difference, it will happen," said Barbara Colegrove of the Interfaith Caregivers. "It's simple yet powerful. Just seeing all those moms, dads, adults, teens and very young children giving their time to others reminded me what this non profit sector, at its heart, is all about. It was a beautiful picture."

Participating volunteers were from the following churches: First English Lutheran, Grosse Pointe Memorial, Our Lady Star of the Sea, Redeemer United Methodist, St. James Lutheran, St. Paul Catholic and St. Peter the Apostle.

Youth groups included Brownie Troop 850 from Harper Woods, Interact Club from Harper Woods, the student council from Pierce Middle School, and the Sunday Club from Grosse Pointe North. Other volunteers included the Grosse Pointe Rotary and Cafe, Interfaith Caregivers, SOC, individuals and families.

A special thanks to our donors for their contributions. They are Bruegger's Bagel Bakery, Charvat the Florist, Damman Hardware, Embree Sign Co., Kroger, Papa Romano's Pizza, Moehring-Woods Florists, Our Lady Star of the Sea, Robert Taylor and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for the use of Fellowship Hall.

"It's people like this that make this community what it is — a great place full of generous and caring citizens," said Colegrove.

Red Cross highlights safety

As the winter holiday season approaches, the southeastern Michigan chapter of the American Red Cross reminds families to use common sense when decorating with candles, cooking holiday meals and driving to and from holiday celebrations.

Twelve tips released by the Red Cross were developed to help residents in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties prevent injuries or even fatalities during the holiday season.

One of the tips highlights how to avoid potential dangers associated with Christmas tree decorations. Cautions include purchasing laboratory tested Christmas lights; unplugging tree lights when leaving home or going to bed; and not adorning metal Christmas trees with lights.

According to the Nationall Fire Protection Association, nearly 600 fires a year have been started by ignition of Christmas trees, causing an average of 33 deaths, 117 injuries and $23 million in direct property damage.

"One of the highest priorities of the American Red Cross is to provide people with family disaster preparedness and injury prevention skills," said Bob Haase, American Red Cross community disaster education specialist. "We are hoping these tips raise awareness of how to prevent injuries so that people can enjoy the holiday season."

Several of the tips focus on home heating safety, such as inspecting fireplace chimneys for chemical buildup, which can cause chimney fires, and keeping space heaters at least three feet away from anything combustible. While heating equipment is the second leading cause of home fires in the United States, most of these fires can be prevented with proper understanding and use of heating equipment, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

The American Red Cross has additional information on family disaster preparedness and offers courses in CPR, first aid, aquatics and water safety, caregiving and HIV/AIDS education.

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SEQUENCE

Let us all give thanks this Thanksgiving Day!

Let's talk...STOCKS



By Joseph Mengden

Whether the stock market is up a bit, or down a lot this week, investors have every reason to give thanks to the deity of their choosing, because nothing has happened like this market since the Tulip Bubble in Holland in the early 17th century.

Almost everyone has uncounted profits in the market, except "gold-bugs;" speculators who shorted the wrong stocks, options or contracts; and investors who diversified into the wrong Third World countries.

It is better to give than to receive!

Last week, LTS discussed "charitable gifts of appreciated securities," on a current year basis. We did not go into "charitable gifts for estate planning," "charitable remaindermen trusts" or the other very technical procedures not of common interest to family newspaper readers.

In the spirit of the holiday season, Thanksgiving and Christmas, LTS recommends that you give serious consideration to "gifting appreciated securities to family members."

LTS' tax adviser informs us that an individual can give up to $10,000 per person per year, even to non-family members ($20,000 if given jointly by husband and wife, even if the gifted property was only owned by one party). Such annual gifts are tax-exempt as regards both the giftor (you) and the giftee (the recipient), with the tax-cost basis of the giftor (donor) being assumed by the recipient, without any capital gain event at the time of gift. If the security is sold by the recipient, a capital gain event occurs at that time, and is the responsibility of the recipient.

The biggest tax advantages occur in gifts to minors, since most minors initially are in a zero tax bracket, and seldom have assets and/or income to put the minor in a tax bracket above the minimum, which is 15 percent of investment income exceeding $650. If gifts are started at early ages, quite a sum of gifted securities can be accumulated for a college fund.

The usual investment vehicle used for these gifts is the brokerage account: "Michigan Uniform Gifts to Minors Act," in which an adult, sometimes a son or daughter, or even the giftor, is named the custodian for the minor child (a grandson or granddaughter). This procedure is very simple and can be implemented by your brokerage firm, mutual fund or bank.

Tax time approaches!

When the leaves fall, you know that winter is nigh. And the snows of December are surely followed by the 15th of January, that fateful day for mailing the fourth quarterly (more or less) installment of estimated federal and Michigan income taxes.

The twilight after Thanksgiving, but before the Christmas parties, is a good time to take time out this year to get a jump start on your income tax preparation. If you have a tax adviser prepare your returns, ask for a "Tax Organizer," which is a type of questionnaire that you will fill in so you won't miss any deductions, etc.

You'd be surprised how easy it is to forget about large and small expenditures that can affect your tax return, especially the cash items, where a check is not issued. Long ago LTS purchased a small (5x7) three-ring binder, and it is kept on the desk where I write checks to pay bills. In the binder are separate pages for each of the itemized deductions: charitable, medical, interest paid, taxes and "other deductions." On each page I make three columns with a ruler: On the left side, 1) date, and 2) check number, and on the right side, 3) $ amount. In the middle there is room for "item" and "vendor." If the expenditure was paid with cash, I mark "C" in the check number column.

At the end of the year, I skip several lines (for items I forgot), then total the $ amount column on each page. This is one time to be a spendthrift. For each year, start with clean, new pages. But don't forget to go back to last year for each page to see if you missed a recurring item — like the summer real estate taxes on the cottage.

You don't need to be a bookkeeper or accountant to keep track of your tax deductions. The bank will send you a statement of interest paid on your mortgage and the church will send a statement reflecting your weekly/monthly/quarterly contributions. But it's really up to you to get the deductions to which you are entitled! Did you know that your auto license plates are still deductible, but the 6 percent sales tax on the purchase price of your car is no longer deductible?

The above is not all-inclusive. LTS is not licensed to give tax advice, so you are referred to your tax adviser. But, don't put off to tomorrow what you can do today!

Capital gains ripple effect!

About a week ago, a friend told LTS about a personal disappointment. This couple have been winter guests in the Del Ray, Florida, area for four decades. Normally a high-season two-weeker, they recently called for a reservation and were shocked when they were informed that everything in that complex was sold out January through mid-April, except for a one-bedroom efficiency with kitchenette, available for one week in mid-January. They declined and are now thinking of trying Arizona. LTS urged an immediate telephone call to see if the desert has anything left!

Joseph Mengden is former chairman of First of Michigan and a City of Grosse Pointe resident.

Business People

Grosse Pointe residents **Timothy Bates** and **William Hase** were recently appointed distinguished professors at Wayne State University. The new appointees, who are nominated by their college deans, brings the number of distinguished professors at Wayne State to 14.

Bates, an authority on minority business development and entrepreneurship in the college of urban, labor and metropolitan affairs, joined the Wayne State faculty in 1994. He received his doctoral and master's degrees from the University of Wisconsin and his bachelor degree from the University of Illinois. He chaired the economics department at the University of Vermont and served as chairman of the urban policy analysis graduate program at the New School for Social Research in New York.

Hase came to Wayne State as an assistant professor in 1973. He received his doctoral from New Mexico State and his B.S. from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He holds a fellowship in the American Physical Society and has been elected to lifetime membership in the WSU Academy of Scholars and is a leader in the field of computational chemistry.

Grosse Pointe Park resident **Joseph Grano** was recently inducted into Wayne State University's Academy Scholars. Appointment to the academy is the highest recognition that can be bestowed upon faculty members by their colleagues.

Grano received his bachelor's and law degrees from Temple University, and holds a master's of law degree from the University of Illinois. Grano joined the university in 1975 and was named distinguished professor in 1984.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident **Susan Bollinger** was recently appointed to the newly created position of manager of corporate communications at Advanced Accessory Systems, a Sterling Heights-based company.

Bollinger will be responsible for the organization's public and media relations and corporate communications. She received her B.A. from Michigan State University.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident **Michael Lynch** was recently named senior associate in the Business and Technological Solutions Group at BDO Seidman, LLP.

Lynch's responsibilities will include large-scale application, design, development and implementation.

Lynch received his B.S. from Ferris State University.



Coffee break

The Children's Home of Detroit was the site where the staff of Caribou Coffee held its Michigan Market Quarterly manager's meeting on Oct. 22.

The home hosted over 20 of Caribou's management and has several beautiful meeting rooms for community and organizations to meet.

Metro East Chamber of Commerce

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Sunrise seminars

The Metro East Chamber of Commerce's first Sunrise Seminar was very informative as David Gaskin of Butzel Long presented a talk on "The Hiring Process: What You Can, Can't and Should Ask."

The next seminar will be held sometime in February; the date and time will be announced in our next Chamber Chat.

Santa Claus Parade

Many of the sponsors of the Santa Claus Parade on Friday, Nov. 28 are members of the MECC. The Grosse Pointe Village Association sponsors this year's parade and the theme is "Toys on Parade."

The MECC hopes that there will be a nice turnout, as many people donated their time to make the event the yearly success it is.

Christmas dinner

This year the MECC will have Christmas Dinner with the board of directors as the guests of honor. The dinner will be held Wednesday, Dec. 3 at Mountain Jack's Restaurant in Roseville. The festivities will begin at 6 p.m.

The cost is $21 for members and $25 for non-members. The MECC also asks that guests bring their business cards to exchange with each other and drop one into the Christmas basket to be eligible for a pleasant little gift.

Please call the MECC with your reservation by Monday, Dec. 1 by 2 p.m. at (810) 777-2741.

New members

The MECC welcomes Sam and Jean Russo of Great Lakes Market Place as new members. Their market is a combination of several unique businesses located at 24317 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

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Free trolley to run on Kercheval during weekends

Retail experts call G. P. merchants cooperative spirit 'cutting edge'

By Amy Andreou Miller
Special Writer

For the second consecutive year, Grosse Pointers and others may find holiday shopping easier to do, thanks to a free trolley providing transportation to stores on Kercheval Avenue in Grosse Pointe Park, and the Hill and Village shopping districts.

The free trolley, which costs several thousand dollars, is possible due to financial donations from a majority of the 120 stores and businesses that line Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park, City and Farms.

The free trolley — called the Holly Trolley — will operate every Saturday and Sunday from now through the weekend before Christmas. (See accompanying chart for exact hours and days of operation.)

About 100 people used the free trolley each weekend day last year during the holiday shopping season, said Jerald Valente, president of the Village Merchants Association.

Valente said he expects those numbers to increase this year.

"I think a lot more people will take advantage of riding the trolley this year," he said. "Last year it was new, and some people were not clear what the trolley was for. Many people did not know it was free and available to anyone."

Valente also said that despite the fact that there will be six places officially designated for boarding and exiting the trolley, people essentially will be able to flag down the trolley any where along its route in order to catch a ride. The trolley will run from as far north on Kercheval as Cottage Hospital, and as far south on Kercheval as Maryland Road in Grosse Pointe Park.

Aboard the trolley, candy canes will be handed out, and Christmas music will be playing.

Valente, owner of Valente Jewelers in the Village, rode the trolley several times last year, and said he was pleased with the festive atmosphere.

"People were humming to the Christmas carols," he said.

Equally important, the trolley lowered the usual traffic congestion in the shopping districts, as many shoppers used the trolley, instead of cars, to get to stores on the Hill, or in the Village or Park.

"I heard from people that they discovered stores they never realized were there because the trolley allowed them to be an observant passenger," Valente said. "Many people, if they are driving their own personal car, are so focused on the road, the specific store they are trying to reach, and finding a parking space, that they don't have the opportunity to notice the variety of stores located in the Pointes."

The trolley has also helped those who do not own a car or are too young to drive. Valente received an enthusiastic, supportive letter from one Grosse Pointe Park mother of middle-school aged children. The mother told Valente that her kids found it easy to get around to shop; they didn't ask Mom for transportation help, and they felt that "special surprise gifts" they were planning to buy for Mom, Dad, or siblings could remain a surprise because a family member wasn't driving them to that specific store.

The idea of the three merchant associations joining together to provide a trolley is unique, say experts who monitor the state, national, and international retail scene. Only a few other individual merchant associations have employed trolleys to make shopping easier.

Trolley hours

The "Holly Trolley" will be running on the following Saturdays and Sundays:

Nov. 29-30
Nov. 6-7
Dec. 13-14
Dec. 20-21

Saturday hours: 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday hours: noon-5 p.m.

However, the Kercheval Avenue trolley is only one item of shared marketing among the Park, Village and Hill merchant associations. In the fall of 1996, the three merchant associations joined forces to produce a brochure that told people about the various shops and businesses located on Kercheval in the Pointes.

Valente said the merchant associations recently paid for another printing of a brochure — this one in color, with a locator map of the stores. More than 30,000 were printed; people will be able to find the brochures aboard the trolley, at stores, at area municipal offices, and even some were delivered to the Detroit Chamber of Commerce in downtown Detroit.

"In terms of three separate shopping districts uniting forces to make people more aware of the variety of shopping opportunities, well, that puts Grosse Pointe on the leading edge; I'm not aware of that occurring anywhere else in Michigan," said Tom Scott, vice president of public affairs and communication of the Lansing-based Michigan Retailers Association (MRA).

MRA is the unified voice of retailing in Michigan and the nation's largest state trade association of general merchandise retailers. MRA's 4,500 retail business members operate more than 9,000 stores across the state.

Scott said that "trolleys are more special than ordinary mass transportation. Trolleys are a form of entertainment. It gives a shopping district a spirit, a look that something special is happening in that area."

Jeffrey Green, president and CEO of the Troy-based retail consulting firm — the Green Group — has been tracking national and international shopping trends for years.

He, too, calls the three Kercheval Avenue merchants associations joining forces as "cutting edge."

Usually, the competition between various shopping districts is intense, not cooperative, Green said.

He called the move good for the merchants, but even better for consumers.

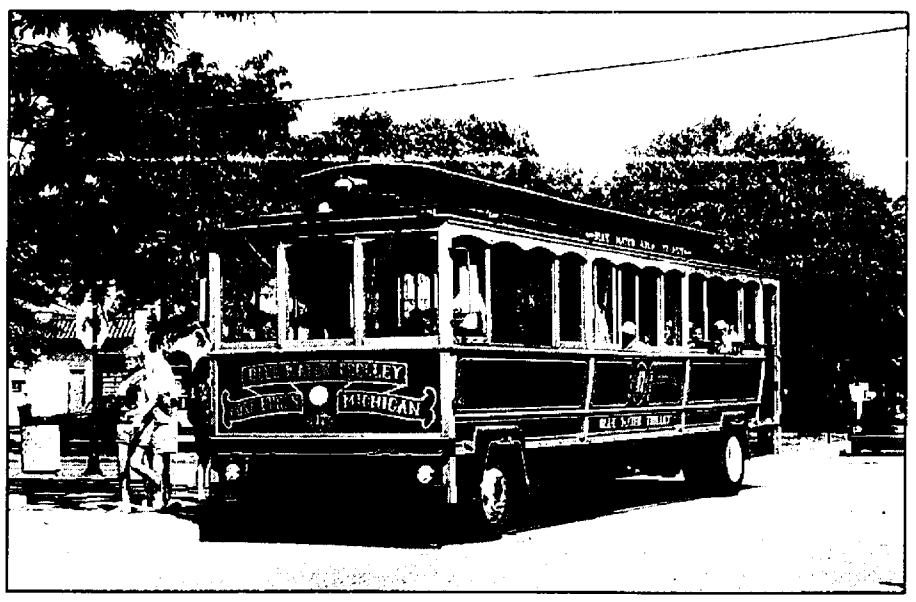
He said consumers may not be overtly aware of it, but they are likely to see better service from such stores because of the cooperative spirit. "They are much more likely to recommend other stores within the three merchants associations when a shopper is in search of a specific item."

Valente agrees. "When a customer asks me where they can find a certain product, I'm happy to direct them to one of the other stores on Kercheval."

Green also said shopping areas like the Kercheval businesses are likely to be owned and/or run by Grosse Pointe residents. True, spending dollars in Kercheval businesses adds to the salary of Kercheval business owners, but since they are Grosse Pointe residents too, they are, in turn, spending their income at Grosse Pointe stores, and in support of local schools, churches, and organizations, Green said.

Green said, "The store owners feel a real civic pride because they are residents of the community too. The pressure is on these homegrown stores because the owners know it is their friends and neighbors who shop at their businesses. They feel the importance, perhaps more than Mall stores, to offer service, selection, good prices and a value to the customers."

Also, the Kercheval store owners annually kick in more than $20,000 to provide a parade, complete with Santa Claus, for the community. As in past years, the parade will march down Kercheval the day after Thanksgiving.



The "Holly Trolley" will offer free transportation between the Hill, Village and Park shopping districts during the holidays.

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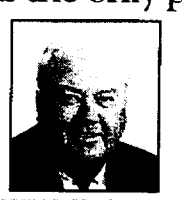
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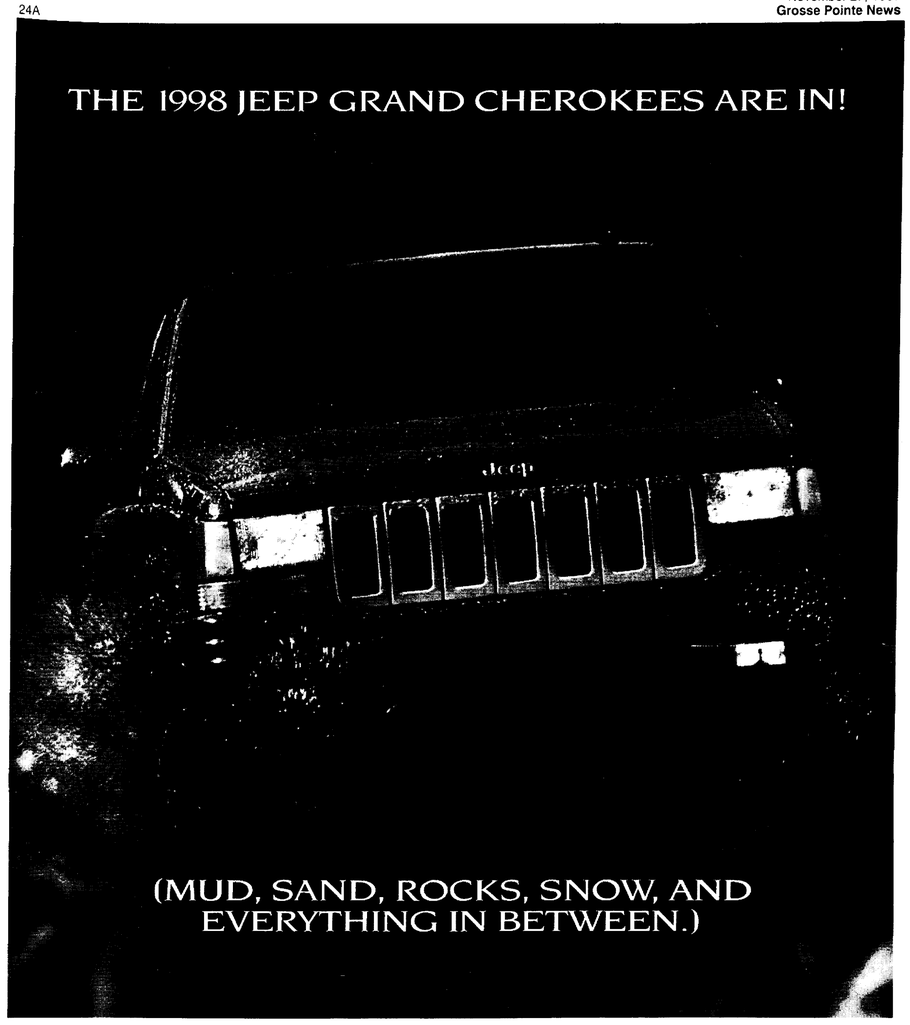
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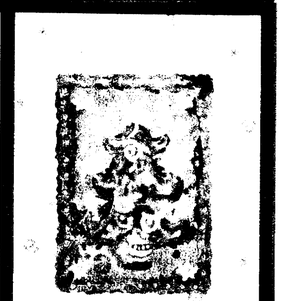
Season's Greetings

Charitable organizations have raised funds for many years by offering Christmas and holiday cards for sale. Profits help the organizations achieve their goals.

People often are more willing to purchase cards — even spend a bit more than they had planned — if they know the money will be used to fund research for a cancer cure, for instance, or to educate children with handicaps or to feed the hungry and homeless.

Beginning at the upper left and continuing clockwise, the cards are for sale from: Right to Life affiliates in Southeast Michigan, the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, Barnard Center/Children's Home of Detroit, the Foundation for Exceptional Children and NARSAD.

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Charitable organizations raise funds by selling holiday cards

American Lung Association

The American Lung Association has a selection of holiday cards for sale. Fifty percent of every dollar spent on the items goes to support the work of the American Lung Association of Michigan by delivering community health programs, educational projects and advocacy for clean air.

Call Betty at (248) 559-5100 to order an album and an order form with price information.

Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute

Nine styles of greeting cards are available from the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute and are now for sale in southeastern Michigan.

Styles range from traditional to contemporary and orders may be picked up at 16 metro-Detroit locations or shipped directly. Imprinting is available. Other items for sale include gift bags, tree trimmers and note cards.

Proceeds benefit the institute's cancer research, treatment, education and outreach programs. Prices vary according to the design, but range from $17 to $21 for a box of 21 cards. For more information or to request a color brochure, call (800) 527-6266.

Meetings

Shores Garden Club

Members of the Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club will meet at noon Friday, Dec. 5, for their Christmas luncheon and meeting at the Detroit Yacht Club. Coordinator is Jean Dickson, assisted by Gail Hyatt.

Windmill Pointe Garden Club

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the home of Mrs. Murray Thomas. Mrs. George Grenzke will be co-hostess. After the luncheon and meeting, members will help fill gift bags for women in shelters for abused women and children.

Camera club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, at Brownell Middle School for a monochrome and color print competition and pictorial and nature slide competition. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (313) 824-9064 or (313) 822-7080.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club will meet for lunch and bridge at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Reservations are required, with no cancellations allowed after Saturday, Nov. 29. Call (313) 881-2966.

Symphony women

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Women's Association will hold its annual Christmas concert and twilight dinner on Sunday, Dec. 7 at a local club.

The Grosse Pointe Symphony will perform, under the direction of Felix Resnick. Social hour begins at 5 p.m.; dinner at 6 p.m.; concert at 7:30 p.m. Black tie is optional.

A patron party will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Van Til, honorary chairmen. The chairman of the event is President Rosemary Elias. Co-chairmen are Jeannette Szulec and Geraldine Santangelo. For more information, call (313) 886-5160.

ABWA

The Grosse Pointe chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, at the St. Clair Shores Country Club for its annual Christmas Gift Auction and Dinner. Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund.

Cost for the dinner is $17. Bidding on gifts ranges between $10 and $50. For reservations, call Barbara Murphy at (810) 776- 7985 or Peggy Lynch at (810) 977-5836 by Thursday, Dec. 4.

Selective Singles

Selective Singles Social and Travel Club meets on the fourth Friday of each month. The next meeting will be for conversation and dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 28, at Bravo's, 29047 Utica at 12 Mile in Roseville. For reservations, call Ramona at (313) 884-2986.

Pear Tree Questers

The Pear Tree Questers No. 193 met Nov. 7 at the home of Sue Hoben. The program was a video, "The History of Making Carnival Glass." Next month's meeting will be a Christmas luncheon and auction at the home of Barb Leto. Co-hostess will be Nikki Hurd.



Lawyers' Auxiliary

The Grosse Pointe Lawyers' Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas Tea at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rickel of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Chairman of the event is Kathy Kedzierski. Proceeds will benefit children at Aurora Psychiatric Hospital. Members and guests will bring unwrapped gifts for children between the ages of 5 and 16.

Getting ready for the gift collection are Christy Rickel, hostess, at the left in front; and Irene Gracey, president of the auxiliary. In the back, from left, are Mickie Manetta and Kedzierski.

Friends Supporting Parents

Friends Supporting Parents is a non-profit organization of parents who have suffered the loss of a child through miscarriage, stillbirth and newborn death.

Proceeds from the sale of its holiday greeting card will help with the costs of printing, postage and office supplies.

The cards are $10 for a package of 18. To order, call Linda Majeske at (248) 656-4236 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Barnard Center

Barnard Center is a special education school run by the Grosse Pointe Public School System on the grounds of the Children's Home of Detroit. The school is selling a holiday card designed by a student at the school. Proceeds will benefit the students.

The cost is $12.50 for 20 cards. To order, call (313) 343-2066 or (313) 343-2481 between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Foundation for Exceptional Children

The Foundation for Exceptional Children offers a new holiday card for 1997 as well as a limited supply of its 1995 and 1996 card designs at a 25 percent discount.

The foundation provides assistance and training to mentally and physically impaired children in the tri-county area.

This year's design is $12.50 for a package of 25 cards. Call (313) 885-8660 for more information.

Gleaners Food Bank

A holiday card to support Gleaners Community Food Bank costs $5 for a batch of 10. Proceeds will be used to help feed the hungry and poor in southeast Michigan. To order, call Desiree Brown at (313) 923-3535 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Michigan Humane Society

The Michigan Humane Society offers five holiday card designs that feature animals. They're designed by local artists and are available for $12 for a box of 20.

The society also has a selection of holiday gifts for animal lovers. Proceeds benefit the more than 50,000 needy, injured and abandoned animals the society cares for each year.

To place an order, call (248) 650-1179.

NARSAD

The National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD), through its non-profit organization NARSAD Artworks, offers holiday cards as well as gifts and notecards. One hundred percent of the proceeds goes to research into severe mental illnesses.

Many of the designs are created by mentally ill persons.

Two dozen different Christmas and Hanukkah designs are available. Prices range from $11 to $15 for a box of 25 cards.

For more information or to obtain an order form, call (313) 881-5429.

Right to Life

Right to Life offers a Christmas card design that features the Madonna and Child. The cost is $12 for 20 cards. Proceeds support positive life choices and provide education and resources for alternatives to abortion.

To order cards, call Theresa McGratty at (313) 882-4323.

UNICEF

The United Nations Children's Fund offers a selection of greeting cards for the holidays as well as gifts. The UNICEF greeting card program began in 1947 and was the first of its kind to sell cards for charitable purposes.

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White Christmas Ball is slated for Friday, Dec. 12

The 44th annual White Christmas Ball, a benefit sponsored by the Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center, will be held on Friday, Dec. 12, at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn.

This year's theme is "Where the Treetops Glisten." Proceeds will benefit the Transplant Specialty Center at the hospital.

The incidence of renal disease is increasing at a rate of 8 to 10 percent annually, more than any other medical disorder. Although many of the 280,000 Americans who have end-stage renal disease can be maintained on dialysis, the treatment of choice is still transplantation.

More than 300 transplants have been performed since the inception of the program seven years ago, and St. John Hospital's patients' survival rates are among the highest in the nation.

The White Christmas Ball will begin at 6:30 p.m.; dinner will be at 8 p.m. Music will be by the Simone Vitale Band.

General chairman of the ball is **Theresa Selvaggio,** general co-chairman is **Gloria Clark** and honorary chairmen are **Mr.** and **Mrs. Thomas Russell. Gayle Boutrous** of Grosse Pointe Woods is president of the Fontbonne. **Sister Jacquie Wetherholt** is director.

For more information, call the Fontbonne office at (313) 343-7584.



Friends

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the library of the Alger House for the group's second annual holiday gathering. The evening will feature holiday spirits, music and tree trimming. Guests must be 21 or older. A $5 per person donation is suggested.

At the left is John Roberts, president of the Friends, with a group of volunteers.

The Friends of the War Memorial are adult volunteers who support the Grosse Pointe War Memorial through sponsorship of social activities geared to people in the community between the ages of 25 and 45. The Friends meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. New members are welcome.

To make a reservation for the holiday party, or for more information about the organization, call (313) 881-7511.



Among those who are planning the Fontbonne Auxiliary's annual White Christmas Ball are, from left, Theresa Selvaggio, general chairman; Dr. Robert Provenzano, a member of the transplant team; and Gloria Clark, general co-chairman of the ball.

Gobble gobble: Two of Detroit's great Thanksgiving traditions — delicious food and the Thanksgiving Day parade — have teamed up in "Traditions: America's Thanksgiving Parade Cookbook," a collection of the favorite recipes of Detroit personalities and celebrities, published by The Parade Co.

All proceeds from the sale of the book go to the Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation, producers of America's Thanksgiving Parade.

Recipe contributions come from, among others, **Mitch Albom, Tim Allen, Mayor Dennis Archer and Judge Trudy DunCombe Archer, Ken Calvert, Mort Crim, Gov. and Mrs. John Engler, Carmen Harlan, Chuck Gaidica, Denise Ilitch Lites, Devin Scillian** and more.

Recipes include holiday specialties such as Ernie the Clown's Special Seven Layer Dip, Apple Cider Glazed Roast Turkey and No Bake Praline Pumpkin Pie as well as some any-time-of-the-year favorites — Fuzzy Navel Cake, for example, Cooking Class Paella and Chief Isaiah McKinnon's Chicken Barbecued with Rosemary and Marsala.

The book is $10 (add $3 for handling) and may be ordered by calling (313) 923-COOK.

Optimists collect clothing: The Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe will sponsor its annual "Coats for the Cold" clothing collection on Saturday, Dec. 6.

All kinds of good used clothing for children and adults will be accepted and donated to the Children's Home of Detroit and the Fort Street Presbyterian Church's "Open Door" program.

To donate, call the Optimists at (313) 882-2498 and give your name, address and telephone number. On the morning of Dec. 6, place your bags of clothing on your front porch and Optimist crews will pick them up between 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Quilt display: The southeastern Michigan chapter of the American Red Cross will display a 12- by 12-foot section of the Names Project Quilt at the chapter's headquarters in Detroit.

The AIDS memorial quilt will be on display from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1 — World AIDS Day — on the third floor of the headquarters, 100 Mack at Woodward.

The Red Cross, in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, educates people on how to stop the transmission of HIV, encourages people to respond in informed ways to people who have HIV, and helps them apply the facts about HIV to their own behavior.

For more information about the chapter's HIV/AIDS educational programs, call (313) 576-4127.

— Margie Reins Smith



Parcells Holiday Bazaar

Parcells Middle School will hold its 22nd annual Holiday Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at the school, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

More than 150 exhibitors will display hand-made craft items. Refreshments will be available.

A $3 "early bird" ticket allows shoppers to enter one hour before the 10 a.m. general admission of $2. Tickets purchased after noon are $1.

Advance tickets are available at Parcells between 1 and 3 p.m. Dec. 1-5; and from 5 to 7 p.m. Dec. 1 and 2. Tickets for 10 a.m. and noon admissions will also be available at the door.

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Chairmen of the annual Holiday Bazaar are, from left, Linda Walton, Kathy Byron and Linda Farmer.

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The Pastor's Corner

Learning about Thanksgiving

By the Rev. William C. DeVries
First Christian Reformed Church

There are few things in life which you must finish before you start.

When I was a child I was diligently and persistently trained in the art and practice of saying thanks My mother and father, grandparents, aunts, uncles and various members of my church and school community were the faculty focused on the success of my training.

Headmistress of this educational array was my mother. If mom held out a cookie, a piece of cake, or nearly anything at all, I was always asked, "What are the magic words?"

The words were magic because they alone released the wanted thing to me. I would immediately reply, "Please." Now mom would reach out her hand with the object and I would take it in my hand.

But . . . she would not let go.

"And . . . " she would say, looking straight in my eyes. "What do you say?"

And I would reply, "Thank you."

Then, and only then, was the treat released to my hands. Of course this meant that I had finished before I started.

Naturally mom was attempting to educate me in politeness. She knew I would not be much as an adult if I were unable to practice certain social graces. But there was much more here than practice at saying certain polite words.

I was also learning that I was dependent on others, and that this situation was good. The truth of this can be found in the word "thanks."

Thanks must have two objects. One must be able to identify clearly that object for which one is thankful. It makes no sense to be thankful in merely a general nebulous arena. It would be like sending a thank you note and writing inside thanks for "whatever." You can't be thankful unless you clearly identify this object of thanks.

The second object of thanks is the agent who gave us the first object. To offer thanks we must be able to identify the "you" to whom we are grateful. Gratitude is a feeling that accompanies knowing we have gotten something which was not ours. One doesn't say thanks unless one recognizes that something was, all or in part, a gift from someone.

And this is what Mom was teaching me — that much of my life was placed in my hands as a gift.

The older I become, the greater the percentage of my life I perceive to be actually a gift beyond my talents and efforts. Once again, Mother was right. To say thank you is the central thrust of what it means to be human. All around us are the things which give beauty and meaning to our existence. And we are the creators and givers of so few of them.

All that remains is to identify who is giving them and find the appropriate way to give thanks for such gifts. (Remember, it makes no sense at all to say thank you to "whoever.") And it makes no sense to say thanks if we think we really got it all ourselves.

If you need help saying thanks to the giver of all these good and perfect gifts, once again let me suggest you try your local church. Thanks is something churches know quite a lot about.

May you have a truly happy time this year on your day of giving thanks.

Memorial Mass is planned for 'Rosary Priest' on Nov. 30

A Memorial Mass of thanksgiving for the Rev. Patrick Peyton will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, in the chapel of the St. Joseph Home, 4800 Cadieux in Detroit.

Peyton was internationally renowned as the "Rosary Priest."

The Rev. John Phelan, president of Family Rosary and Family Theater, will celebrate the commemorative Mass. A reception will follow the Mass. Phelan will share the news of "Cause for Fr. Peyton's Beatification" and a short film on Peyton's life will be shown.

Peyton's message was: "The family that prays together stays together." More than 28 million people heard his message through his Rosary rallies, radio, film and television. Four popes recognized his efforts to promote unity and sanctity through family prayer.

Peyton died on June 3, 1992 in San Pedro, Calif. All families and friends of Peyton are invited to be part of the celebration. For more information, call (313) 885-6219 or (313) 527-4968.

Assumption Center will host holiday tea, activities

The Townsend Hotel of Birmingham will host a tea from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, in St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods.

For the youngsters, Assumption's annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 6, will feature two seatings — 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. The event includes a pancake breakfast, a balloon man, cookie decorating, a Kids Only shopping boutique and Santa himself. For Moms and Dads — a private Beanie Baby shop. Seating is limited. For tickets, call Assumption Cultural Center at (810) 779-6111.

Diabetes support group meets

Bon Secours Hospital will offer free monthly support group meetings for diabetics and their families from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Bon Brae Center Lounge, 22300 Bon Brae in St. Clair Shores.

Participants will discuss exercise and diabetes, how to count carbohydrates and control and monitor glucose levels. The topic to be discussed at the Dec. 3 session is "Glucometer Update."

For more information or to preregister, call (810) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

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Judy Duffy, at the left, and Hadley French, at the right, are general chairmen of Christ Church's annual "Greens of Christmas." Marijke Janeway, center, is chairman of the green sale, which will take place on Saturday, Dec. 6.

Christ Church presents 'Greens of Christmas'

The "Greens of Christmas," an annual celebration to kick off the Christmas season at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, will begin on Thursday, Dec. 4 in the church's Undercroft.

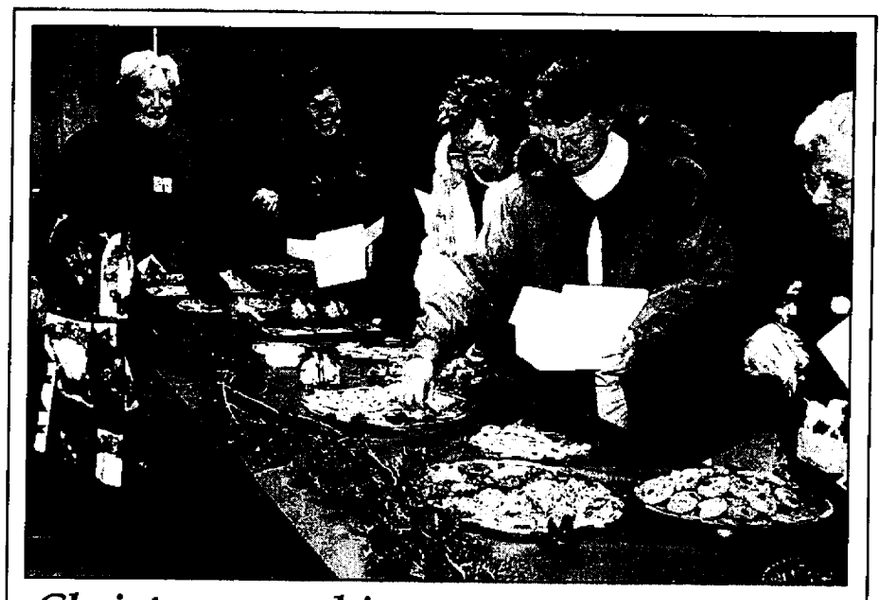
The Old English-style Wassail party and silent auction will introduce "Greens Weekend," which includes a Saturday sale of fresh greens for holiday decorating. Proceeds from the weekend events will benefit the youth ministry at Christ Church.

The Thursday evening party will begin at 6:30 p.m. and includes an appetizer buffet, spirits, entertainment and an auction. Items to bid on will include a week in Bermuda, five nights at a bed and breakfast in Italy, theater tickets, fine wine, kitchenware, personal fitness training, cashmere sweaters, designer scarves, antique porcelain and furniture, and gift certificates good at local retail stores.

The Saturday sale will also be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Undercroft. Items for sale will include wreaths, roping, hand-smocked and hand-stitched creations, home-baked goodies, jams, jellies, books, crafts, toys, Beanie Baby accessories and holiday decorations.

General chairmen are Judy Duffy and Hadley French. Green sale chairman is Marijke Janeway.

For more information, call (313) 885-4841 or (313) 886-8007.



Christmas cookies

The women of Grosse Pointe Methodist Church are getting ready for their annual Christmas Cookie Mart from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at the church, 211 Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The annual event offers a chance to select your own cookies for $6 a pound. Breads, cakes and candy — and a light lunch — will also be available for purchase.

Above, customers select cookies at a previous Cookie Mart.

Chairmen of this year's sale are Noelle Decker and Jean Buhler. For more information, call (313) 886-2363.

Advent Taize service to be at Christ Church

An Advent Taize service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

The service of meditation, scripture and chant from the community of Taize will offer time for reflection, spiritual growth and peace on the evening of the first Sunday of Advent.

Taize is a 57-year-old ecumenical community of monks near Lyon, France, which attracts people from all over the world, who come for meditation. The music is lyrical and inspiring.

The service will include chants from Taize led by an adult choir and instrumentalists. The community is invited.

For more information, call Christ Church at (313) 885-4841.

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New treatments for epilepsy

By Dr. Valerie Curtis
Special Writer

As far back as the times of the ancient Greeks, epilepsy was recognized as a medical disorder. And yet more than 100 years after epileptic drugs were first introduced in the United States, there is still a great deal of fear and stigma associated with the disease.

Today, as in years past, some uninformed individuals still fear epilepsy because they associate the disease with "demonic possession" — a powerful image that has been tough to dispel.



Dr. Valerie Curtis

Nearly two million Americans are affected by epilepsy; it is ranked third, after headache and stroke, for neurological disorders.

When a seizure occurs, it is much like an engine misfiring. Nerve cells discharge an excessive amount of energy, causing a sudden electrical overload in the brain. Seizures can be restricted to one area of the brain (partial) or affect the entire brain (generalized).

A partial seizure may result in a jerking arm or leg, but it is the more serious generalized seizure which can cause severe body convulsions and unconsciousness.

Epilepsy can be caused by genetic disorders, birth trauma, malformed brain cells or blood vessels, tumors, stroke or infections.

In the past, the only treatment option was medication. Today, however, new medications, medical devices and surgery are providing a prescription of hope for people with epilepsy.

Over the last,three to four years, three new FDA-approved drugs have shown a great deal of promise in the treatment of epilepsy.

The drugs are: Lamotrigine, Gabapentin and Topiramate. While the long-term effects of these drugs are still not known, they may be more effective than the older drugs, with fewer side effects.

Clinical trials are also being performed on the FDA-approved drugs Topamax and Topiramate. The goal of the study is to determine the optimal dosage for controlling seizures.

Because everyone's brain has a different biochemical makeup, seizures can manifest themselves in a number of different ways. As a result, dosages and drugs that work for one person may be ineffective for another. It is important to note that while no medication is a "cure" for epilepsy, medications can help to control or lessen the severity of seizures.

For people whose seizures cannot be controlled with medications, surgery may be an option. "Surgery to cure" involves extensive monitoring prior to surgery in order to determine what part of the brain is causing the seizures. Psychological and intellectual testing also allow a neurologist to determine how removal of the damaged part of the brain will affect language, movement and brain function after surgery. Only patients whose brain location of seizures can be pinpointed are candidates for this surgery.

"Surgery to improve" epilepsy is most appropriate for people who have seizures that cannot be localized in one area of the brain. This surgery involves severing the corpus callosum, the band of fibers that connects the right and left sides of the brain.

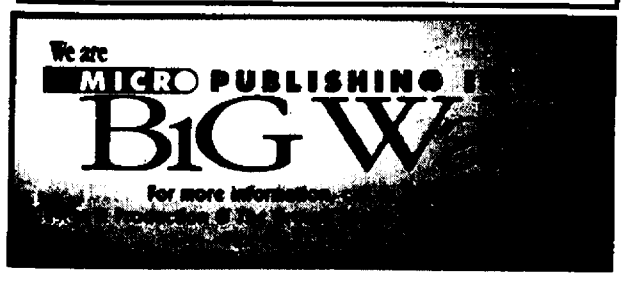
Another promising treatment option, which was only recently approved by the FDA, is the vagus nerve stimulator. The stimulator works much like a heart pacemaker. The device is implanted into the chest where it continuously sends seizure-blocking signals to the brain through the vagus nerve in the neck.

If the person feels a seizure coming on, he/she can activate the stimulator with a special wristband. The stimulator is not a cure for epilepsy but it can significantly reduce the number and severity of seizures.

The most important thing to remember about epilepsy is that the disease often affects people who are otherwise perfectly normal. They may be a co-worker, someone you sit next to in church, or the person who waits on you at the grocery store.

Epilepsy is nothing to be ashamed of. Early intervention, however, is key to treatment. For some, there still may not be a cure, but there is so much that can be done to improve quality of life if only people become more informed.

Dr. Valerie Curtis is a neurologist on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. For more information about epilepsy or clinical trials, call St. John HealthLine, toll free, at (888) 757-5463. Curtis is a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.



Breaking silence about a common problem

By Dr. Vicki L. Seltzer
President, American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists

Urinary incontinence, or a problem in controlling the bladder, is not an inevitable part of the aging process, nor is it limited to the elderly. It should not be considered a shameful condition that must be tolerated in silence.

Unfortunately, that's often the view. Less than half of the women affected by urinary incontinence seek medical care. Many rely on absorbent pads or severely restricted life styles to accommodate their problem, so that frequently anxiety, depression and loss of self-esteem compound the symptoms of incontinence.

If you are experiencing urinary incontinence, talk to your doctor. About 30 percent of incontinence is temporary — brought on by infections, extended bed rest, or the use of diuretics and other medications. Problems in the female genitourinary system (reproductive organs and urinary tract) may also cause incontinence. These include pelvic support problems (as when the bladder drops into the vagina), childbirth complications, advanced cancer of the pelvis, or abnormal openings (fistulas) between the urinary tract and the vagina.

Types of incontinence include stress incontinence, where small amounts of urine leak during exercise, coughing, sneezing or laughing; urge incontinence, when the urge to urinate comes so quickly, there isn't time to get to a bathroom; and overflow incontinence, when the bladder cannot empty itself completely.

You should discuss incontinence with your gynecologist. Sometimes problems with both urge and stress incontinence can be diminished and even cured by practicing the Kegel exercise, a pelvic exercise that strengthens the muscles surrounding the openings of the urethra, vagina and rectum. To perform this exercise:

Locate the correct muscles by stopping and starting urine during voiding. The muscles you feel squeezing around your urethra and anus are the muscles you want to exercise.

Practice clenching those muscles when you're not urinating. If your stomach or buttocks move, you are not using the right muscles.

Hold the muscles tense for three seconds, then relax for three seconds.

Repeat the exercise ten times per exercise session, and exercise at least three times a day.

To reduce the chance of a problem, avoid caffeine in coffee, tea, sodas and chocolate. Practice double-voiding by emptying your bladder, relaxing for a moment, and then trying to empty it again. Urinate on schedule, e.g., every three or four hours during the day, even when the urge is not there. When beginning a new medication, ask your doctor about side effects, so you'll be prepared if incontinence is one of them.

Bon Secours offers pulmonary, cardiac rehab

As part of its ongoing pulmonary and cardiac rehabilitation programs, Bon Secours Hospital offers the following classes for strengthening muscles and endurance training:

Asthma Education Program — The course is offered to asthmatic children and their parents. It is designed to provide information about asthma and how it can be managed effectively. The three-session course will be from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursdays, Dec. 4, 11 and 18, in the cardiopulmonary department at Bon Secours Hospital.

Call (313) 343-1594 for more information. There is a $10 fee per family.

Adults with asthma, curious about management of the disease, can call the same number for additional information on adult course offerings.

Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program — A physician's referral is required for this educational exercise program for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. For more information, call (313) 343-1594 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

Cardiac Rehabilitation Program — A physician's referral is needed for this educational exercise program for people likely to develop heart disease and those recovering from cardiac illness or surgery. For more information, call (313) 343-1594 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

American Lung Association Breather's Club — This free educational support group is for people with chronic obstructive lung disease such as emphysema, bronchitis or asthma.

The group meets on the third Monday of the month from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Bon Secours Hospital Connelly Auditorium. You may join at any time. There is no charge.

For more information, call (313) 343-1594.

Program will focus on holiday depression

The holiday season is here. While on the surface it seems to be a festive time, for many people the hustle and bustle turns to anxiety and the glitter of the season reflects only sadness and depression.



Guyer

Holiday anxiety and depression may rise from unrealistic expectations or from a void left by lost or distant loved ones. Norman Rockwell, Ozzie and Harriett, Martha Stewart and others offer impressions of the perfect home and holidays, sometimes causing us to expect more of our families and ourselves than is realistic. The feelings of "not measuring up" take hold and depression and anxiety move in.

Dr. Dan G. Guyer, psychiatrist, will explore the roots of holiday depression in a free luncheon program at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the lower level boardrooms of the hospital.

The program and luncheon are free, but reservations are needed. Call Sandra Shiner Roach at (313) 640-2244.

Guyer will help you identify your personal holiday depression "triggers." He will discuss ways to counteract feelings of loss, loneliness, inadequacy or anxiety, and help you enjoy the holidays in a positive light.

Guyer is chief of psychiatry at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, maintains a practice in Grosse Pointe Farms and is associated with Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Psychiatric Center North in Sterling Heights. He also has served as a clinical instructor at Wayne State University and is the resident training supervisor for Cottage Hospital.

Aerobic exercise classes offered in G.P. Woods

Body Fit in the A.M. — Joan Thornton will lead a class in mid-tempo aerobics and muscle resistance exercises for all fitness levels. The class incorporates all the components of stretching, strengthening and building stamina.

Classes meet Tuesday and Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Session 1: Dec. 2 - Jan. 15. Session 2: Jan. 20 - Feb. 26. The cost is $26 a session.

Fitness Fundamentals — This workout for men and women led by Joan Thornton includes aerobics with no jumping or bouncing and focuses on muscle endurance, flexibility, relaxation and back exercises. Wear shoes with good support and loose clothing.

Classes will meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Session 1: Dec. 1 - Jan. 16. The cost is $34. Session 2: Jan. 19-Feb. 27. The cost is $36.

Call the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center at (343) 2408 to register.

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SEQUENCE

Ski season's a-comin': Get your passes now

Fall color was pretty spectacular in Michigan, but we all know what comes next . . . snow, and usually lots of it.

And that's when Michigan kicks into winter sports, with snowmobiling, downhill and cross-country skiing, snowboarding and sledding. Did you know that Michigan has more ski resorts than any other state except New York?

TRAVEL TRENDS



By Cynthia Boal-Janssens

Don't know how to ski? For the sixth year, 22 ski areas across the state have teamed up with McDonald's restaurants to offer an exciting way to learn.

Called "Discover Michigan Skiing," the program includes a 90-minute beginner lesson, ski or snowboard rental equipment and an all-day beginner-area ski lift pass or X-C trail pass. The program is offered from Jan. 5-31, so begin planning now. The price for the program is $25 for adults and $15 for children ages 7-14. The snowboard price is $35, regardless of age (hey, Dad — try it with the kids . . .).

Since its inception, Discover Michigan Skiing has introduced more than 44,000 people to Michigan's slopes and trails, and I was one of those. A couple of years ago, my husband and I learned to cross-country ski at Garland Resort by taking advantage of this program.

The lesson usually covers basic maneuvering on skis or snowboards (learning to stop is re-e-e-al important), including turning, riding the lifts and getting up from a fall.

To sign up, beginners must have a Discover Michigan Skiing Value Voucher. These will be available in Michigan McDonald's restaurants and also at retail ski stores and facilities throughout the state. Or, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Michigan Ski Industries Association, 7164 Deer Lake Court, Clarkston, 48346. The voucher lists all of the ski facilities involved in the program. You choose where you want to ski and then call the area to pre-register. Call early; lesson times fill up quickly.

When you complete the program, you'll also receive a coupon worth $20 off the purchase of more than $100 in ski-related merchandise at a participating retail ski shop.

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Now is not too early to plan a family outing to cut your own Christmas tree. There are so many tree farms in Michigan that you can head in just about any direction.

There are more than 100 tree farms in Michigan and they provide a variety of services to those who visit, like machine cleaning, tree wrapping, carry-out bags and flocked trees. Some even have live Santas, offer wagon and sleigh rides and sell refreshments.

Choose-and-cut farms open around Thanksgiving and will sell most of the year's crop in the next two weekends, while weather is better and roads are passable. Therefore, begin planning now.

When properly cared for, real Christmas trees can last in the home from Thanksgiving through New Year's.

The Michigan Christmas Tree Association publishes a pamphlet that lists all of the tree farms in the state, gives their locations on a map and lists what kinds of trees each farm sells and what services are provided.

Call (800) 589-TREE or check out www.mcta.org on the Internet.

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Sometimes when we are considering short vacations, we forget to consider the obvious: Ontario, which is right across the Detroit River from Michigan.

You can get there one of three ways: cross the new Blue Water Bridge at Port Huron or take the bridge or tunnel from Detroit. Whichever way, it is a quick trip to a foreign country where the rate of exchange makes your U.S. dollars worth a whole lot more.

Now there is a new resource to help you plan a trip to this region, the "Great Getaways" guide for Fall and Winter 1997/1998. This new brochure covers the entire Niagara region (where there is a whole lot more to do than the famed falls) and Southwestern Ontario.

Here are some of the two- to three-day mini-holidays that are featured, mostly in small ads:

• Gambling trips to Casino Windsor or the Northern Belle riverboat casino (earn back the price of your trip.)

• An inn stay at the historic Little Inn in Bayfield (which has a lovely restaurant even if you don't stay there).

• Family stays at the Wheels Inn in Chatham (I well remember a wild weekend there when my kids were small, the days before they built the indoor amusement park!)

• Christmas at Stratford, featuring seasonal music, a holiday revue, high tea at the Church Restaurant and a B&B house tour.

• Stays at the Lamplighter Inn in London that include tickets to a Grand Theatre Mainstage production (a "Christmas Carol" will be playing from Dec. 2, to Jan. 3).

• A trip to the Butterfly Conservatory at Niagara Falls, which would be especially nice during that city's 15th annual Winter Festival of Lights from Nov. 22 to Jan. 20.

For more information and a copy of this brochure, contact the Southwestern Ontario Travel Association at (800) 661-6804 or contact the Niagara and Mid-Western Ontario Travel Association at (800) 267-3399 or check out its website at www.niagara-mid-west-ont.com.

Robert Schumann stars on three new CDs

OFF THE RECORD



By John Guinn

Robert Schumann (1810-1856) lived a life full of romantic elements. He fought valiantly — and successfully — to wed the woman he loved. He was a perceptive critic, championing composers like Chopin and Brahms long before the rest of the pack noticed them. He died in an asylum, his fertile mind ravaged by insanity.

Most important, he composed music that contains the essence of romanticism, as three new CDs illustrate.

Schumann: "Kreisleriana;" Sonata No. 1

Murray Perahia, pianist (Sony Classical)

Rating: ★★★★ (out of 4)

Local concertgoers had the opportunity to experience American pianist Murray Perahia' s affinity for Schumann' s music earlier this season, when he played the A-Minor Piano Concerto with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under Neeme Jarvi' s direction.

So eloquent was Perahia' s performance that, after hearing the first concert, I went back the next night to hear him again. The results were equally impressive, full of insights that made the familiar work seem both like an old friend and a new acquaintance.

Those same qualities are found in Perahia' s latest CD, devoted to two rather neglected Schumann works. "Kreisleriana," which the composer dedicated to Chopin, is based on Johannes Kreisler, the wild character created by E.T.A. Hoffman. It has never enjoyed the popularity of other Schumann suites like "Scenes from Childhood" or "Carnaval."

Perahia' s perceptive reading may change all that. He brings logical cohesion and polished artistry to each of the suite's eight movements, giving them a shining cohesion that belies their general neglect.

The same is true of his treatment of the F-sharp Minor Piano Sonata, completed in 1836, two years before "Kreisleriana." Not as often performed as the later G-Minor Sonata, it has a reputation for being dense and shapeless.

Perahia aerates the density and emphasizes the elements that shape the music, turning what can be a muddled piece into a masterpiece. In doing so, he offers extravagant justification for my belief that he is today' s foremost pianist.

Schumann: Sonata No. 1; Fantasy in C-Major

Leif Ove Andsnes, pianist (EMI Classics)

Rating: ★★★

Norwegian pianist Leif Ove Andsnes, born in 1970, is one of the brightest of the up-and-coming crop of pianists. A frequent DSO guest, he will accompany Jarvi and the orchestra on its European tour next spring, playing Prokofiev's Third Piano Concerto, which he will perform at a tour preview concert at Orchestra Hall in April.

His Schumann, while lacking Perahia's depth of insight, is still enticing. He has not yet figured out how to elucidate all of the confusing moments in the sonata, but his warm, sweet tone quality and solid technical bravura keep a listener's interest throughout.

Andsnes is more successful with the grand C-major Fantasy, a work that demands both artistic and technical virtuosity. Here his instincts are nearly always on target. He expands tempos so Schumann's arching melodies can breathe and he paces the approach to climaxes so they ring with greater triumph.

Schumann: Cello Concerto; Offertorium; Various Works for Cello and Piano

Steven Isserlis, cellist; Felicity Lott, soprano (in the Offertorium); Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie, Christoph Eschenbach conductor and pianist (RCA)

Rating: ★★

British cellist Steven Isserlis is a thoughtful musician, but his performances of these works fall short of success. That's due primarily to a reticent artistry that robs the music of soulfulness.

The reticence is most apparent in the two most substantial pieces on the CD, the Concerto and the Adagio and Allegro, originally scored for horn and orchestra. Isserlis' tone quality is rich, his technical apparatus formidable. But he too often circles the music rather than digging into it, resulting in pale, unfocused performances that tease the listener with only part of the message.

The remaining pieces are minor Schumann of passing interest, and none of the performers were able to lift them above that status.

Family features by Madeleine Socia

America's parade

Bundle up and come on down to the 71st annual America's Thanksgiving Parade on Thursday, Nov. 27, from 9:15 a.m. to noon, along Woodward from Mack to E. Jefferson in Detroit. Grandstand tickets are $18.50. Call (248) 645-6666.

Winter carnival

The midway comes inside the Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center, 1 Washington Boulevard in Detroit, Thursday, Nov. 27 through Sunday, Dec. 14, when The Parade Company opens its Indoor Amusement Park. This winter carnival, complete with rides, games and goodies galore, will be open on Thanksgiving Day from noon to 4 p.m.; Friday Nov. 28 and Saturdays Nov. 29, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Fridays Dec. 5 and Dec. 12, from 4 to 11 p.m. and Sunday Dec. 7, from 2 to 9 p.m. and Sunday Dec. 14, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Patrons may pay as they play or purchase a $14 ride-all-day wristband. Proceeds benefit America's Thanksgiving Parade. Call (313) 923-7400.

Pointe parade

Welcome old St. Nick to Grosse Pointe during the annual Grosse Pointe Village Association's Santa Parade on Friday, Nov. 28, at 10 a.m., along Kercheval between Fisher and Cadieux in Grosse Pointe. Children can give their Santa letters to mail carriers located along the parade route. Toy Story's own Buzz and Woody, grand marshals of this "Toys On Parade" event, will meet their fans at The Village Toy Company, 16900 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe, at its conclusion while Santa will go to Jacobson's Children's Department, 17141 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe. Horse drawn carriage rides will also be available. Call (313) 886-5520.

Holiday happenings

Discover a host of holiday happenings for the whole family at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Plan to Brunch With Santa on Saturdays, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13 or Sunday, Dec. 14, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. The jolly old elf, who arrives by helicopter, will speak to each child about their special Christmas wishes and give them a pewter ornament. Tickets are $13 per child and $10 per adult. Advanced registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No strollers will be allowed and parents should bring their own booster seats. Introduce a new Yuletide tradition with a Graham Cracker House Workshop on Saturday, Dec. 6 or Dec. 13, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The fee is $30 per house, for one child and one parent or one adult, and $10 for each additional person. Also on Dec. 6, from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., your family pet can have its picture taken with Santa. The fee is $5. Proceeds benefit the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Association. Call (313) 881-7511.

Tea for tots

Treat your tots to a Nutcracker Tea at The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores, at 4 p.m., on Mondays, Dec. 8 and Dec. 15 or Tuesdays, Dec. 2, Dec. 9 and Dec. 16. Festivities include a chat with Santa in the miniature Play House. Admission is $8. Reservations are required. Call (313) 884-4222.

Learning made fun

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial offers a catalog of programs that make learning fun for children. Students ages 7 to 12 can expand their communication skills with Sign Language for Kids, Saturdays, Dec. 6 to Dec. 20, from 10 to 11 a.m. The fee is $22. Enhance the talents of your young dancer, ages 5 to 18, with a Classical Ballet Workshop, Monday through Friday, Dec. 8 to March 13, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. or Saturdays, Dec. 13 to March 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Class time will be assigned by the instructor. The fee is $60 for 1 hour per week, $100 for 2 hours per week or $135 for three hours per week for the 12-week course. Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 5:30 p.m., is Registration and Information Night for parents interested in signing up their snowbunnies, ages 5 to 7, or snowbirds, ages 8 to 14, for the Snowbirds Ski Club. Trips are planned for January and February. The fee is $125 for a Family Membership or $50 for a Single Membership. Ski Hi Club members, in grades 6 to 12, can also register on that date. The fee is $20. Call (313) 881-7511.

Film festival

Rudolph The Red Nose Reindeer will launch the Grosse Pointe Public Library's Winter Film Festival 1997/1998, Tuesday, Dec. 2 to Thursday, Jan 29. Screenings will be held from 4 to 5 p.m., beginning on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Branch, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods; Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Central Branch, 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms and Thursday, Dec. 4, at the Park Branch, 15430 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 343-2074.

DSO for kids

Conductor David Allen Miller transforms the Scrooge-like Duke Desmond of Detroit in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Detroit News Young People's Series concert How Music Saved The Holidays, on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 11 a.m., in Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward in Detroit. Tickets range from $7 to $27.

Call (313) 833-3700.

In conjunction with the exhibition Splendors of Ancient Egypt, the DIA presents

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"Recent Discoveries in the Valley of the Kings: The Theban Mapping Project and KV5"

Kent Weeks, professor of Egyptology, American University, Cairo, discovered the largest tomb ever found in Egypt, the burial place of many of the 50 sons of the pharaoh Ramesses II. Dr. Weeks discusses his recent work in the tomb (called KV5), and his other works at Thebes, one of ancient Egypt's most important archaeological sites. With sign-language interpretation.

Tickets: $5; members $3. Call (313) 833-2323.

The exhibition, organized by the Florida International Museum, was selected from the collections of the Roemer-Pelizaeus Museum Hildesheim, Germany. In Detroit, the exhibition is sponsored by the Chrysler Corporation Fund. Additional support was provided by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the DIA Founders Society. Education programs are sponsored by Kelly Services.

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Thursday, Nov. 27

Community dinner

Give thanks with your friends and neighbors during a Community Thanksgiving Dinner hosted by St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop at Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Thursday, Nov. 27, at 4 p.m. Join in the preparation of the meal at 12:30 p.m. and stay for games and fellowship afterwards. Tickets are $4. Reservations are required. Call (313) 881-6670.

Terrific trees

The Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center, 1 Washington Boulevard in Detroit, becomes a holiday wonderland full of decorated trees, wreaths, vignettes, a gingerbread village, a gift shop and entertainment, through Sunday, Nov. 30, during the 1997 Festival of Trees benefiting the Evergreen Endowment Fund at Children's Hospital of Michigan. This "Celebration of Angels," will be open on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thanksgiving Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are $6 for adults, $4 for seniors and $2 for children ages 3 to 12. Call (313) 966-TREE.

Pre-parade run

Strut your stuff in front of thousands of America's Thanksgiving Parade viewers during the 15th Annual Arbor Turkey Trot, sponsored by the Motor City Striders, on Thursday, Nov. 27. More than 5,000 participants are expected to register at 6:15 a.m., in the Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center for the 7:30 a.m. Lil' Gobbler's one-mile fun walk/run, the 7:45 a.m. Hens and Roosters Fun Run and the 8:20 a.m. 10 K Turkey Trot along the parade route. The fee is $20 and participants will receive T-shirts, refreshments and awards for the first 500 finishers. Call (313) 544-9099.

Friday, Nov. 28

All aboard

Shop in comfort! Climb aboard the free Holly Trolley, Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays, from noon to 5 p.m., through Wednesday, Dec. 24. The Trolley travels in a continuous loop through the Hill, Village and Park shopping districts, along Kercheval from Muir to Maryland. Call (313) 881-2056.

Jimmy's jams

The weekend jams at Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms, begin at 10 p.m. Sean Blackman and John Arnold appear on Friday, Nov. 28 and the harmonies of Sister Seed will be heard on Saturday, Nov. 29. Call (313) 886-8101.

Viva Las Vegas

Glitz, glamour and gambling await partiers at St. Isaac Jogues Vegas Night, Friday, Nov. 28, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., in the St. Isaac Jogues Parish House, 21125 Madison in St. Clair Shores. Admission is free. Call (313) 293-1635.

Sunday, Nov. 30

Advent service

Open the sacred season with the candlelight, meditation and chants of the Taize Advent Service on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m., in Christ Episcopal Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 885-4841.

Monday, Dec. 1

Eat right

Enhance your fitness program by learning to eat right at a free Nutritional Seminar, offered by Drs. David Jantz and Ken Hutcheson with nutritionist Ron Kosloff, on Monday, Dec. 1, at 7:30 p.m., in Christ The King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 881-7677.

Tuesday, Dec. 2

Big band

Let the music of the Grosse Pointe Community Concert Band get you into the mood for the holidays during a free performance on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 8 p.m., in the auditorium of Parcells Middle School, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 343-2388.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

Golden anniversary

All About Angels is the theme of the Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center's 50th Anniversary Luncheon celebration on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 11 a.m., in the Lochmoor Club, 1018 Sunningdale in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tickets are $25. Reservations are required. Call (313) 343-7584.

Jazz jam

The Johnny Trudell-Bob Mojica Quintet bring out the top brass as The Jazz Forum series continues on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m., in the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee in Grosse Pointe. Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 at the door. Call (313) 961-1714.

Thursday, Dec. 4

Enlightened tribute

Carols, cookies and cocoa await those who join in the free festive lighting of the Tribute Tree at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Thursday, Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. Purchase a Tribute Tree light for $5 to honor a special family member or friend and the honoree or their family will be sent a beautiful remembrance card. Call (313) 881-7511.

High tea

Enjoy the elegance of a traditional High Tea under the expert guidance of the Townsend Hotel of Birmingham at the Assumption Greek Cultural Center, 21800 Marter in St. Clair Shores, on Thursday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 3 p.m. Tickets are $15. Call (810) 779-6111.

Friday, Dec. 5

Parental party

Join the St. Clair Shores Parents Without Partners for a Winter Wonderland party on Friday, Dec. 5, from 9 p.m. to 12:45 a.m., at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Bruce Post, 28404 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Tickets are $9 for members or $10 for non-members. A $2 discount will be offered after 8:30 p.m. Call (810) 772-9377.

Saturday, Dec. 6

Holiday crafts

Browse and buy amid the works of 150 crafters during the 22nd Annual Parcells Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 10 a.m to 5 p.m., at Parcells Middle School, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Early Bird tickets, available in advance only, are $3 and entitle the holder to enter at 9 a.m. Admission for the 10 a.m. opening is $2 and budget admission, for those entering after noon, is $1. Presales will be held at the school on Monday, Dec. 1 and Tuesday, Dec. 2, from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Dec. 3 through Friday, Dec. 5, from 1 to 5 p.m. Call (313) 343-2104.

Sunday, Dec. 7

Tree lighting

Join Santa for The Grosse Pointe Park Business Association's festive Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Sunday, Dec. 7, at 6 p.m., on Kercheval at Lakepointe in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 822-2822.

Yuletide harmonies

Make your Yuletide bright with the holiday harmonies of The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus's 45th Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 3 p.m., in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The performance will also feature hand-bell ringers, a sing-a-long and a visit from Santa Claus. Tickets are $10 for adults and $3 for children. Call (313) 882-2482.

Rachmaninoff's vespers

The DeHaven Chorale, St. Nicholas, Benjamin Britten, Christ Church Chorale, Choir of Boys and Girls and Orchestra will offer Sergei Rachmaninoff's The Vespers, sung in Old Russian, on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., in Christ Episcopal Church Grosse Pointe. Call (313) 885-4841.

Seasonal sounds

The Detroit Concert Choir will present a program of holiday music during a 'Tis The Season concert on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 6 p.m., in Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets are $12. Call (313) 882-0118.

Historic holiday

Spend an Old-Fashioned Afternoon in Grosse Pointe during the Sounds of Christmas celebration benefiting the Grosse Pointe Historical Society on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 3:30 p.m., in the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church. Benefactor, Patron and Friend donors can continue the fun at a post-concert Afterglow, from 5 to 7 p.m., in Grosse Pointe's oldest building, the Provencal -Weir House, 376 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets range from $20 to $250. Call (313) 884-7010.

Brass concert

The Detroit Chamber Winds Brass Ensemble will join the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Choir for a Holiday Brass concert on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are $15 for adults or $10 for students and seniors. Call (313) 882-5330.

Decorative tour

The Mother's Club of Grosse Pointe South High School invites you to tour five festively decorated homes during their annual Holiday Walk on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are $15 in advance or $18 on the day of the tour. No children under the age of 10 will be admitted. Proceeds benefit the Mother's Club Scholarship and Enrichment Fund. Call (313) 882-2066.

Live & Learn

Courses & adventures

Add some excitement to your autumn by partaking in the courses and adventures listed in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Nov./Dec. catalog. Find out what's in the cards for you with Intermediate Bridge Defense Techniques, Mondays, Dec. 1 to Jan. 19, from 7 to 9 p.m. The fee is $64. Explore Mythology In the Arts on Monday, Dec. 1, from 7 to 8 p.m. The fee is $5. Prepare for elegant entertaining with Holiday Champagne and Sparkling Wine Tasting, Mondays, Dec. 1 and Dec. 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The fee is $44. Headoff the holiday blues with Depression: Understanding and Treatment, Tuesdays, Dec. 2 to Dec. 16, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee is $40 for the whole program or $15 per lecture. Learn cyber space self-defense with Safe Surfing on the Internet, Tuesdays, Dec. 2 and Dec. 9, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee $49. Experience a Polish Christmas with all the traditional trimmings on Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m. The fee is $12.50. Clear a path to financial independence with Successful Money Management, Wednesdays, Dec. 3 to Dec. 17, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. The fee is $50. Waltz the night away at the Christmas Ball, Saturday, Dec. 6, from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. The fee is $28. Preregistration is required for most courses. Call (313) 881-7511.

Ford House holidays

Experience the elegant life style of Detroit's auto barons all decked out in holiday splendor with a visit to one of "America's Castles," the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores, Friday, Nov. 28 through Wednesday, Dec. 31, except for Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Special decorations include glass tear-drop ornaments made especially for Mrs. Ford by the Ford Motor Company Glass Division. Holiday tours are offered on the hour, Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. The 4 p.m. tours will be eliminated on Christmas and New Years eves. Admission is $5 for adults, $4 for seniors ages 60 and above and $3 for children ages 12 and under. On Sundays, Dec. 7 and Dec. 14, from 5 to 9 p.m., follow your Ford House holiday tour with a Traditional Christmas Dinner accompanied by the Grosse Pointe North High School Choir. Tickets are $35. Reservations are required. Call (313) 884-4222.

On Stage & Screen

Lots of laughs

The Second City-Detroit Comedy Theatre, 2305 Woodward in Detroit, presents Generation X Files, a new review of live, cutting-edge comedy, through Wednesday, Dec. 31. Performances will run Wednesday through Sunday at 8 p.m. with additional shows on Friday and Saturday at 10:30 p.m. The cast performs an improvisational comedy set after each performance on Sunday and Thursday and after the 10:30 p.m. shows on Friday and Saturday. Tickets are $12 on Sunday and Wednesday, $14 on Thursday, $17.50 on Friday and $19.50 on Saturday. Call (313) 965-2222.

Classics & jazz

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Classical Series continues in Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward in Detroit, when young violin virtuoso Jennifer Koh joins conductor James Paul in a program of Tchaikovsky, Britten and Debussy on Friday, Nov. 28, at 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 29, at 8:30 p.m. Violinist Jaime Laredo conducts and performs with the DSO Thursday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 5, at 10:45 a.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets for both Classical performances range from $17 to $60. The House of Blues Tour, featuring Dr. John, Charlie Musselwhite and Keb' Mo', checks into the DSO Ameritech Jazz Series on Friday, Dec. 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets range from $13 to $60. Call (313) 833-3700.

Tuna x two

Two actors bring 20 colorful residents of Tuna, Texas to life in the delightfully irreverent play Greater Tuna, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the Broadway Onstage Theatre, 21517 Kelly in Eastpointe. The curtain will rise on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., or select Sundays at 2 p.m., for group bookings. Opening night tickets are $11, all other performances are $13.50. Call (810) 773-5914.

Music & more

The Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield in Clinton Township, offers a star-studded season of music, comedy and drama. The House of Blues, featuring Dr. John, Charlie Musselwhite and Keb'Mo' brings New Orleans and Chicago-style blues to the Center on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. Tickets are $29 for adults and $26 for students and seniors. Balladeer Roger Whittaker takes the stage on Thursday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m. and Friday, Dec. 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets are $42 for Golden Circle seats, $39 for adults and $36 for students and seniors. Rediscover the magic of Kris Kringle with the holiday classic Miracle on 34th Street, Saturday, Dec. 6, at 2:30 and 8 p.m. Tickets are $22 for adults and $20 for students and seniors. Join in the fun of a 50s Holiday Hop starring The Marvelettes, The Drifters and The Coasters on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $24 for adults and $22 for students and seniors. Call (810) 286-2222.

Holidays kicks

Get a kick out of the holidays with the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, starring the legendary Rockettes and featuring the world-famous Living Nativity, Friday, Nov. 28 through Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward in Detroit. Performances are slated for Saturday at 1, 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 1, 4 and 7 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday at 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets range from $10 to $50. Call (248) 645-6666.

For laughs & love

The spicy flavors of Italy take center stage in the romantic comedy Saturday, Sunday, Monday, through Friday, Jan. 30, in Wayne State University's Hilberry Theater, 4743 Cass in Detroit. Lives are changed by the power of love in the distinctive British comedy The Lady's Not for Burning, at the Hilberry through Thursday, Dec. 4. Also at the Hilberry, through Thursday, Dec. 11, is Othello, Shakespeare's classic tale of love, jealousy and betrayal. Performances of each production will be offered in rotating repertory on Wednesday at 2 p.m., Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets for both productions range from $10 to $17. Call (313) 577-2972.

Bah humbug

Enhance your holiday with Dickens' magical journey through Christmas past, present and future, A Christmas Carol, on stage at Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward in Detroit, Friday, Dec. 5 through Sunday, Dec. 14. Performances are scheduled for Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. A special Holiday Matinee will be offered on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. Tickets range from $8 to $10. Call (313) 577-2960.

Country comedy

The Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson in Detroit, animates the country humor of The Sweet Bye and Bye in the opening production of their 40th anniversary season, through Wednesday, Dec. 31. Performances will be offered on Thursday and Friday, at 8:30 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Call (313) 868-1347.

Les Mis' returns

Passion and patriotism explode in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Les Miserables," based on Victor Hugo's epic novel about the life of a fugitive in 19th Century France, when it returns to the Fisher Theatre, in The Fisher Building at 3011 W. Grand Boulevard in Detroit, through Sunday, Jan. 4. Performances will be offered Tuesday through Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Special holiday performances are scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from $15 to $58. Call (248) 645-6666.

Alternative screen

The Detroit Film Theater in The Detroit Institute of Arts offers a schedule of interesting alternatives to commercial films. Appreciate a magnificent restoration of Jean-luc Godard's romantic tragedy Contempt, showing Friday, Nov. 28 through Sunday, Nov. 30. Screenings are scheduled for Friday at 7 and 9:30 p.m., Saturday at 4, 7 and 9:30 p.m. and Sunday at 4 and 7 p.m. On Monday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m., long lost footage by a little-known pioneer of the New Zealand cinema reels in a variety of characters in Peter Jackson's mockumentary Forgotten Silver. Tickets for all performances are $5.50 for adults and $4.50 for students with ID, senior citizens and DIA Founders Society Members. Call (313) 833-2323.

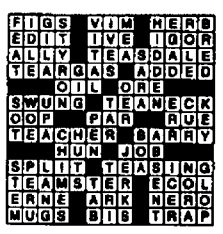
Messiah concerts

The Archdiocesan Chorus and Orchestra will fill the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward in Detroit, with the inspiring sounds of Handel's "Messiah" on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 3 p.m. Tickets are $10 for adults and $8 for students and seniors in advance, or $12 for adults and $10 for students and seniors at the door. Handel's masterpiece will also be performed by Detroit's Fort Street Choral and Chamber Orchestra on Friday, Dec. 5 and Saturday, Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, at 3 p.m., in historic Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort. Tickets are $12. For the Cathedral concert, call (313) 237-5782. For the Fort Street concert, call (313) 961-4533.

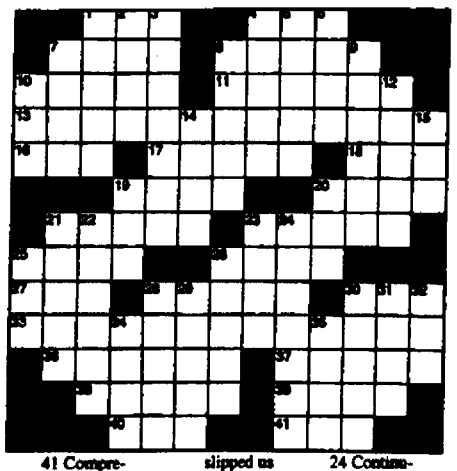
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South seniors play key roles in first district girls hoops title

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Three years of hard work and dedication paid off for a quartet of Grosse Pointe South basketball players last week.

Melissa Brown, Sarah Kraft, Meghan McGahey and Caitlin Shapiro became part of the first Blue Devils team to win a Class A girls basketball district championship when they defeated Regina 45-41 in the final at Grosse Pointe North.

"This is what it means to have a group of seniors who've been on the varsity for three seasons," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute. "We've had some good teams and some good players over the last 25 years, but this is the first team to win a district. And that's something nobody can take away from them."

During the three years on the varsity, Brown, Kraft, McGahey and Shapiro learned a lot about how to play the game. And posting a 10-6 record this year in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division also made the Blue Devils a stronger team for the tournament run.

"Those three years paid off. They've learned what it takes to win a district championship. They came in mentally prepared and they were convinced they could do it," Van Eckoute said.

It all started four years ago when they became the first South freshman team to beat Regina.

"They've been so focused the last couple of weeks," Van Eckoute said. "They wanted to go out with a victory against Regina, but they didn't look past Osborn (in South's first district game), either."

It wasn't an easy victory over the Saddlelites. Regina led 13-9 after the first quarter, but South took a 20-18 halftime lead to the locker room.

Regina regained the lead 32-28 after three quarters when Sarah Judd hit five straight fallaway jump shots.

"Caitlin did a great job against Judd, but there's nothing you can do when somebody's hitting a fallaway jumper like that," Van Eckoute said. "We even doubled down on her to help out Caitlin, who held her to four points in the first half."

But Judd picked up her fourth foul late in the third quarter and when she was hit with a technical for questioning the call, she was through for the night.

That gave the Blue Devils an extra spark and they outscored the Saddlelites 17-9 in the fourth quarter, although South was without Shapiro, who sprained her ankle, for the stretch run and left her doubtful for South's regional opener against Troy Athens.

"We got a big lift from Jodie Nyenhuis when Caitlin got hurt," Van Eckoute said. "She made the basket that got us within two points and she did a

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All-State trio

Grosse Pointe South senior Jonnie Vasse, center, poses with two of her cross country teammates after the three of them earned All-State honors after helping the Blue Devils finish fifth at this year's Class A state girls meet. Beth Auty, left, and Heidi Crowley are both sophomores at South. Read more about Vasse's career accomplishments on page 4C.

Piper's two firsts lead North to second place at state meet

Last Saturday was a day to remember for Grosse Pointe North swimming coach Mike O'Connor.

His alma mater's football team completed a perfect regular season with a thrilling victory against Ohio State. At the same time Michigan was earning its trip to the Rose Bowl, O'Connor's swimmers were posting a surprising second-place finish at the Class A state girls meet in East Lansing.

"It was a pretty good day," O'Connor said. "It kept me busy keeping track of my swimmers and the football game."

It was the 10th top 10 finish in 11 years for North's girls. The only year they missed, they were 11th, one point out of 10th place.

"Everybody did as well as we could have hoped for," O'Connor said. "I think we surprised a lot of teams. Four swimmers did all of our scoring."

North was led by double winner Cortney Piper as it finished second to Birmingham Seaholm.

Piper won the 200-yard freestyle in 1:41.41 and took the 500 freestyle in 4:54.61, which earned her automatic All-American status.

Piper's 500 time is the fourth fastest in the country this year. Both of her winning times were North varsity records.

Freshman Carly Piper, Cortney's sister, was fifth in the 200 freestyle and third in the 500 freestyle.

Senior co-captain Rachelle Atrasz also earned All-State honors with a fourth in the 500 freestyle and a seventh place in the 100 butterfly.

The Norsemen also scored well in two relays. The 200 freestyle relay team of Atrasz, the Pipers and Jennifer Reck finished fourth. They broke the school record and achieved All-American consideration.

The same quartet was third in the 400 freestyle relay, also breaking the school record and achieving All-American consideration.

Reck was 15th in the 100 butterfly and 16th in the 500 freestyle, while Kim Fiekens was 24th in the 200 freestyle.

Several Grosse Pointe South swimmers also did well at the state meet.

Julie Upmeyer was 14th in the 100 freestyle and 17th in the 50 freestyle; Elena Callas was 21st in the 100 breaststroke and Maggie McGrath finished 30th in the 100 breaststroke.

South was 14th in the 200 medley relay and 16th in the 200 freestyle relay.

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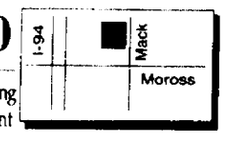


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good job of inbounding the ball against Regina's press."

Regina was leading by six when Shapiro stole the ball and went end-to-end for a basket to start a 6-0 run by the Blue Devils. But that was the play in which she twisted her ankle.

Nyenhuis then scored and McGahey capped the run, tying the game.

"I know they didn't have Judd for the fourth quarter, but our kids played a great game — and we didn't have Caitlin, either," Van Eckoute said. "We had an outstanding defensive game to hold Regina to 41 points."

McGahey led the way with 17 points and she also collected six rebounds and seven steals.

Kraft finished with 11 points, two assists and four steals, while Dinah Zebot added 10 points and six rebounds. Shapiro finished with seven rebounds and three steals.

South began district play with a 53-10 rout of Detroit Osborn.

Zebot, Brown and Kraft led the way with eight points apiece. Nyenhuis, Scarlett O'Keefe and Beth Howson each scored six points for the Blue Devils. Brown had six steals.

South closed out the regular season with convincing victories over MAC Red foes Chippewa Valley (57-26) and Fraser (57-43).

"We played very well in both of those games and we carried it over to the tournament," Van Eckoute said.

All 12 Blue Devils who played against Chippewa Valley broke into the scoring column.

Sophomores O'Keefe and Howson had good all-around games. O'Keefe had eight points, 11 rebounds, two assists and three steals, while Howson collected 10 points, five rebounds, an assist and three steals. McGahey finished with nine points.

Against Fraser, O'Keefe led South with 17 points and also grabbed 11 rebounds.

McGahey had 10 points, five rebounds and five steals, while Zebot collected 10 points and 12 rebounds. Shapiro finished with six points, two rebounds, four assists and three steals. Howson had five points, four rebounds and five steals.

South took an overall 13-9 record into the regional tournament at Stevenson.



Photo by Rosh Sillars

Caitlin Shapiro was on crutches after spraining her ankle, but the Grosse Pointe South senior still managed a big smile when she got her district championship medal from Grosse Pointe North athletic director Tom Gauerke after the Blue Devils won their first district girls basketball title.

South skaters open with league victory

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys hockey team was almost in mid-season form when it opened the Michigan Metro League schedule against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"I was a little nervous before the game because we've started slowly the last couple of years and last year Pioneer had a pretty good team," said South coach Bob Bopp after the Blue Devils came away with a 6-0 victory.

"The whole team played very well. We really came out flying."

South's performance was even more dominating than the final score would indicate. The Blue Devils outshot Pioneer 30-7 through the first two periods, but had only a 2-0 lead.

South's Charlie Braun opened the scoring at 13:22 of the first period when he knocked Pat Manion's rebound past the Pioneers' goalie.

Chris Gellasch, who also assisted on Braun's goal, made it 2-0 at 5:30 of the second period. Manion and Jim Denner drew the assists.

South's veterans helped break the game open in the third period.

Andy Klein and Brad Bilesky each scored twice for the Blue Devils.

"Andy's a four-year veteran and one of our captains," Bopp said. "I think you'll hear a lot from him and from Bilesky."

Klein and Bilesky also picked up one assist apiece in the final period flurry, while Adam Whitehead, Ben Weaver and Manion also collected assists.

"We allowed only 10 shots on goal, but our goalie, J.C. Tibbitts, made two outstanding saves," Bopp said.

Bopp is looking forward to a solid season from his team.

"We have 11 seniors on the team," he said. "We're not real deep at forward, but we do have three strong lines. We have six great defensemen and our goaltending looks strong."

The Blue Devils host Flint Powers Saturday at 7 p.m. at the City Ice Arena.

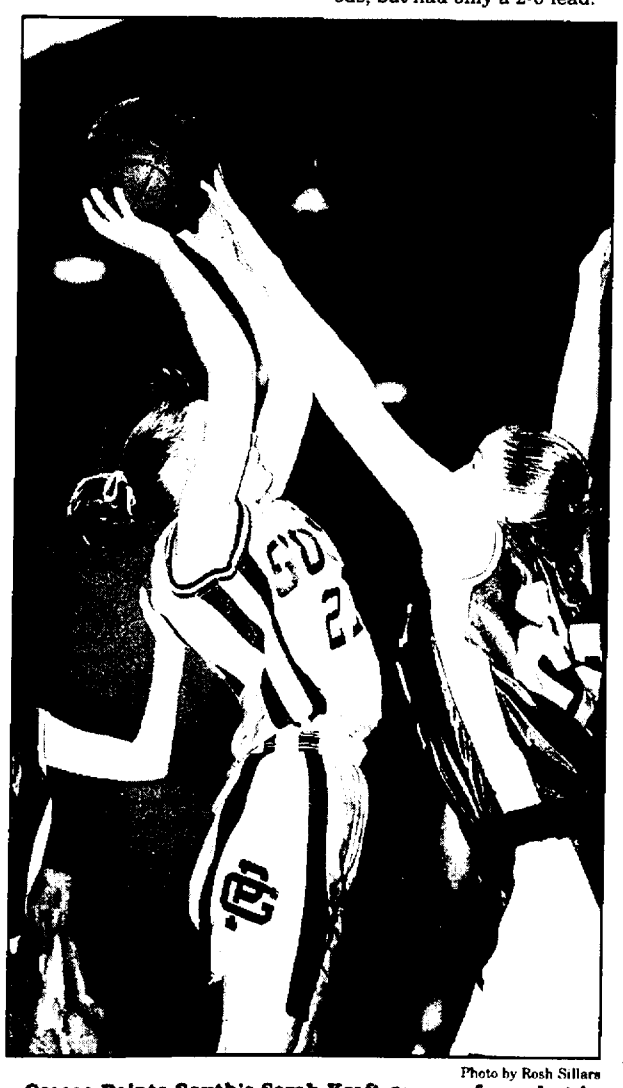


Photo by Rosh Sillars

Grosse Pointe South's Sarah Kraft goes up for a shot in last Friday's Class A district championship game against Regina.

South's Case signs with Eastern

Grosse Pointe South's Michael Case won't soon forget his 17th birthday.

That's when he signed a letter of intent to play tennis at Eastern Michigan University.

"And we got him a couple of new racquets," said his father, Dave Case.

"It's a good fit for him," said his father, Dave Case. "They want him to play doubles. He also chose Eastern for academic reasons. It's one of only four schools in the Midwest to offer a degree in actuarial science."

Michael Case is a two-time All-State doubles player at South and he has a chance to make it a triple honor this spring.

"He's getting ready for the season," Dave Case said. "He's playing indoors three days a week."

Summer team creates a bond between North-South players

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

If the Grosse Pointe North-Grosse Pointe South rivalry is a little friendlier this school year, Dan Cimini thinks it had its roots last summer.

Cimini coached the 17-year-old Redbirds team in the Grosse Pointe Baseball Organization and the squad was nearly split down the middle between players from North and South.

"At first I wondered how it would work out," said Cimini, who played baseball at South and was a member of the Blue Devils' team that went to the state semifinals in 1987.

"But the kids blended together beautifully. They had a great time together and I think they'll remain together when they play on the 18-year-old team next summer. They became good friends and the North and South parents became friendly, too."

The North-South football game was a special moment for Cimini because several of his players were on opposite sides in the contest.

"It was fun to see Matt Vande Weghe (South) and Jerry Cardani (North) playing opposite each other," he said. "And it was fun to see the North and South parents visiting with each other at the game."

The Redbirds finished with an 11-11 record after hitting a late-season slump, but Cimini will also think the year was a success.

"Winning isn't everything," he said. "If the camaraderie wasn't there it wouldn't have been a successful season."

One of the highlights of the season was a Macomb Amateur Baseball Federation Connie Mack game against the Redbirds 18-year-old team at Tiger Stadium.

Cimini's team beat the older squad 17-15 in 12 innings.

"All the players got the chance to bat and all the pitchers threw at least one inning," Cimini said.

"It was the chance in a lifetime for them to stand where so many of their heroes have stood. As expected, the players seemed nervous at first, but they settled in and played a very exciting ball game."

The 17-year-old team led 14-11 going into the bottom of the ninth after a two-run triple by Steve Gayman, but the 18-year-olds came back with three runs in the bottom of the inning.

Brian Hodgman recorded a pair of strikeouts with the bases loaded to send the game into extra innings.

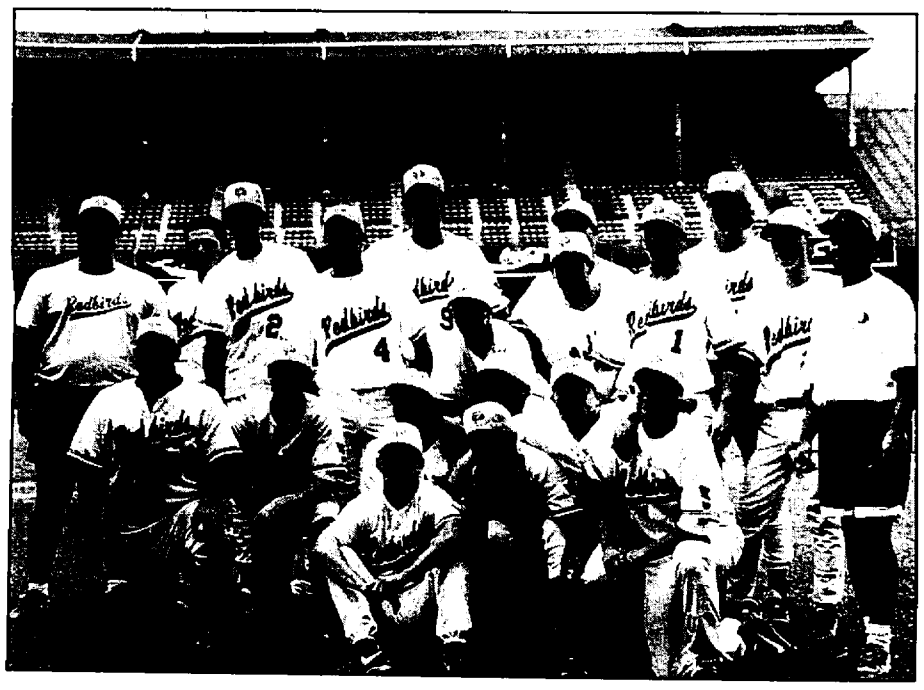
Hodgman then won the game with a bases-loaded triple in the 12th and retired the side in the bottom of the inning.

Craig Ziolkowski, Brian Kasiborski and Mark Touhey each had two hits. Joe Choma drove in three runs.

"Pat Howe hit a ball into the upper deck in left field that was just foul," Cimini said. "That made for great excitement.

"The most exciting thing for me was seeing the excitement on the kids' faces as they moved on and off the field and as they sat in the dugout. Not many kids get a chance to play baseball in a major league stadium and for these kids, it's a moment they will never forget."

Other members of the 17-year-old team were Karl Freimuth, Jeff Mehr, Mike D'Hondt, Chris McGratty, Chris Farkas, Chris Mikula, Matt Donnellon, Mike Ciaramitaro and Andy Beaupre.



The Grosse Pointe Redbirds 17-year-old team is shown at Tiger Stadium after its 12-inning, 17-15 victory over the Redbirds 18-year-old squad.

AAU basketball tryout times set

Tryouts for the Michigan Panthers AAU girls basketball teams will be held in December.

Players trying out for the 14-and-under and 16-and-under teams will be held Dec. 7, from 7 to 9 p.m. Tryouts for the 13-and-under team will be Dec. 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. and the 17-and-under tryouts will be Dec. 14, from 7 to 9 p.m.

All tryouts will be at the Roseville Recreation Center, 18185 Sycamore, which is north of Eleven Mile and east of Gratiot.

Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

DOWN SPOUT DISCONNECT ORDINANCE NO. 201

An ordinance to require the disconnection of down spouts from the sanitary sewer system; to establish procedures for exceptions and penalties for violations; to require down spouts on new construction to be connected to the storm sewer system; to establish appeal procedures; and to repeal inconsistent ordinances.

G.P.N.: 11/27/97

John DeWald
Village Clerk

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 1997

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held November 3, 1997, and the special meeting November 10, 1997, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Election Commission Meeting held on October 30, 1997, and the Board of Canvassers Meeting held on November 5, 1997.
2) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: 1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 47478 through 47675 in the amount of $796,010.46 as submitted by the City Manager and City Controller, and, further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. 2) To receive and file for audit the Cash & Treasurer's Report for October, 1997. 3) Approve payment in the amount of 1,581.80 to Santoro Automotive Services for repairs to vehicle 639. 4) Approve payment in the amount of $2,359 to Wayne County Health Department for cross connection control services from July 1 through September 30, 1997. 5) Approve payment in the amount of $4,198.77 to the homeowner at 18942 Huntington as reimbursement for repairs made to the City's sanitary sewer main.
2) To direct the City Manager and City Attorney to prepare a proposed amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance to allow for variance appeals on set back requirements for instant oil change services.
3) To accept the proposal submitted by East Detroit Glass Co. in the amount of $2,605.40 for the replacement of the Fire Department's north entry door.
4) To approve payment in the amount of $15,352.14 to Michigan Joint Sealing of Livonia for Progress Payment No. 5 in the Pavement Joint and Crack Sealing Project.
5) To approve payment in the amount of $9,472.00 to WCI Contractors, Inc. of Detroit for Progress Payment No. 6 on the Kelly Road Boulevard Improvement Project.
6) To adjourn to executive session to review pending litigation and labor contract negotiations.

Kenneth A. Poynter,
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Mickey D. Todd
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South's Vasse is finishing with a flourish

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Jonnie Vasse just hoped to finish in the top half of the 50-runner field at the recent Mid-East women's cross country championships in Kettering, Ohio.

The All-State runner from Grosse Pointe South sold herself short.

Vasse was the fifth runner across the line as Team Michigan blew away the competition in the five-state meet.

"It was the most competitive race I've ever been in," said Vasse, who broke South's girls cross country record earlier this year and became an All-Stater for the second straight season when she finished 18th at the Class A state meet to help the Blue Devils to a fifth-place finish.

"Our Team Michigan coach told us before the race that this would be the most good runners any of us had ever seen. I just wanted to finish in the top 25."

And that was her strategy at the beginning of the race.

"I hung back for the first mile, but I felt pretty good and then decided to move up in the field," Vasse said.

And move up she did. She was the third Michigan runner to hit the finish line, beating two of the girls who had finished ahead of her in the qualifying meet to earn a berth on Team Michigan.

"It's the best team Michigan has ever had," Vasse said. "Usually the winning team scores around 80 points. We had 28. Our top five were all in the top 20."

As Vasse was winding her way through the pack, she set a loftier goal for herself.

"I wanted to come in fourth on our team," she said. "Since I had finished fifth in the qualifier I wanted to move up at least one place."

The conditions were less than conducive for running fast times.

"It was in the 20s and it was snowing," Vasse said. "It was a tough course, too. There were a lot of 90-degree turns where you almost had to come to a complete stop and there was a huge hill we had to run up twice."

It would have been quite a way to end an outstanding high school cross country career, but Vasse plans to compete in the Foot Locker regional, which would qualify her for the national event later this year.

When it's over, Vasse will have a lot of special memories.

"The support of my teammates has been great," she said. "I can remember running through the chute and having 50 of them lining the way.

"And it was great to be able to run with my sister (Aimee) for two years."

There was some pretty good competition between the Vasse sisters.

"She was never too excited seeing me close to her," Jonnie says with a smile. "Even when we were working out, she had to be one shoulder ahead of me."

Aimee is running for Wellesley College these days and Jonnie is considering following in her footsteps, although she hasn't made any decisions yet.

Where ever she goes, Jonnie will probably wind up at a smaller school where she can continue running.

"If you're running at a (NCAA) Division III school, you have a better chance of making the national meets, but the competition is still pretty good," she said. "There's less pressure, too."

Vasse has to run a bit different in the bigger meets than she does when there are fewer runners.

"I like to go out fast and get established," she said. "I like to take the lead and maintain it. At the state, that's not always possible. It's so much different than a dual meet or a smaller invitational. You don't see the concentration of great runners that you see at the state meet.

"At the state meet, you try not to get carried away in the first mile. You have to run smart and keep the race in perspective."

Vasse might have done even better this year if she hadn't sustained an achilles injury when she was sprinting to the finish line in the Schoensee Invitational in Center Line.

That was the race where she broke the 13-year-old South record.

Vasse covered the 5,000 meters in 18:24, beating the mark set by Nancy Solterisch in 1984 when she ran the same course in 18:31.

Vasse improved on her record time by one second at the Mid-East qualifer at the Grand Ledge Country Club.

The achilles injury probably contributed to a mid-season slump because she had to cut down on her mileage.

"There were three or four weeks where I didn't notice any improvement," Vasse said. "I almost felt like I was regressing. It seemed like I was running the same race over and over.

"The Mid-East qualifier was my first real good race since mid-season. I finally got it all together again mentally."

Vasse isn't a high-mileage runner during the season.

"I'm injury-prone so I don't put in a huge amount of mileage during the season — maybe 30 to 35 miles a week," she said. "During the off-season I'll run 40 miles a week if I feel good."

One of Vasse's biggest boosters is South coach Steve Zaranek.

"It's a good feeling to see her do so well because I know what went into it," Zaranek said. "Only about five percent is what the public sees. The other 95 percent of the work is done in practice."

Not only has Vasse been a leader on the course, but she's a leader off of it, too.

"She's very smart at what she does," Zaranek said.

"And she puts the effort in to be a team leader. There are so many dimensions to the whole package. She's really been a delight to coach the last four years. There have been some down times and a lot of up times, and Jonnie has handled them all so well."

Zaranek said there were two things that made Vasse one of the best runners in the state.

"Her attitude and her running style make her so good," he said. "She has as close to a perfect running style as you'd want. I had no doubt that she'd break our records before she finished here."

In addition to her outstanding running skill, Vasse is an accomplished oboe player who performed with the Detroit Metropolitan Symphony before she had to give it up because it conflicted with her running. She is also an excellent student.

Sophomore Beth Auty also was an All-State runner, while sophomore Heidi Crowley earned honorable mention All-State.

"Jonnie has been an excellent influence on both of them," Zaranek said. "Jonnie was their mentor who established high standards for them to shoot for. And when she's gone, they'll continue to excel."

Auty is already a two-time All-Stater.

"We've never had a girl make All-State as a freshman and sophomore," Zaranek said. "Beth is a great runner, but her goals are all team-oriented. She and Heidi both love competing."

Just like their role model.

Results, highlights from GPSA house league games

UNDER-6

Panthers 2, Lions 0

Goals: Alejandro Blake (Panthers).

Comments: Alex Bedan played a strong game for the Panthers. The Lions played their best game of the season with several shots on goal by Anthony Riashi and Adam St. Hilaire, along with aggressive offense from Natalie Boll and solid defense from Alexander Plomaritis.

Lions 0, Jaguars 0

Comments: The Lions had strong midfield play from Anthony Riashi, Shannon Alberts and Jarvis Wise. Standouts for the Jaguars were Alexander Doetsch, Charlie Cullen and Colin Mott.

Eagles 4, Lions 0

Goals: Tony Casano 3, Kevin Zak (Eagles).

Assists: Casano, Zak, Brad Menchl, Ian Osborne (Eagles).

Comments: The Eagles had good performances from Justin Schoenherr, Stephen DiLorenzo and Aamod Dehnke.

UNDER-8

Wolverines 4, Red Wings 0

Goals: Ryan Veneri, Tim Shields 2, Patrick Lewandowski (Wolverines).

Comments: Alyssa Carr, Tim Boll and Mark Riashi played good games for the Wolverines. Charlie Gorman, Ryan Berg and Patrick Deters had strong games for the Red Wings.

Pistons 3, Devils 0

Goals: Brady Savage 3 (Pistons).

Assists: Lambro Seremetis 2, Eric Osaer (Pistons).

Comments: The Pistons got shutout goaltending from Stewart Wells, Kathryn Brennan and Jay Creech. J.L. Schoenith and Jonathan Lorenz passed well. The Devils had outstanding games from Jack McCarthy, Sam Mott and Roger Vandenbush.

Pistons 5, Eagles 3

Goals: Lambro Seremetis 2, Brady Savage 2, Jay Creech (Pistons); Brendon Lepore 3 (Eagles).

Assists: Eric Osaer 2, Stewart Wells, Jonathan Lorenz, J.L. Schoenith, Savage, Seremetis (Pistons); Amy Wayland 2 (Eagles).

Comments: The Pistons had strong defensive play from Kathryn Brennan, an excellent header by Creech and Wesley Channell played his best game of the year. Nick Schreiber had a good game for the Eagles.

Orioles 5, Spartans 1

Goals: Carrie Fisk, Joseph Lambers, Bennett Williams 3 (Orioles); Bryan Micallef (Spartans).

Comments: The Orioles ended their season on a winning note despite strong play by the Spartans' Matthew and Bryan Micallef. Will Angel and Leo Rybinski played good all-around games for the Orioles, who received excellent defensive play from Max Schultz.

Neon 4, Lions 0

Goals: Kevin Orzechowski 3, Chris Hancock (Neon).

Assists: Justin Grobbel, Trevor Sattelmeier, Ivan Moshchuk (Neon).

Comments: Both teams played well on a cold, rainy day.

Eagles 4, Jaguars 3

Goals: Brendan LePore 2, Billy Sessions 2 (Eagles); Chris Zak, John Butts (Jaguars).

Assists: Nicholas Schreiber, Sarah Perry, Paul Vertanka, Anthony Raymond (Eagles); McKenzie Topper (Jaguars).

Comments: Sessions celebrated his birthday with two goals, including the winner, while Perry got an assist on her birthday. Chris Bill held off a late-game surge to preserve the slim lead. Schreiber continued to play strong defense. The Jaguars got excellent goalkeeping and defense from Matthew Bruno, while Zak made several end-to-end rushes, two of which resulted in goals.

Pistons 3, Tigers 0

Goals: Lambro Seremetis 2, Eric Osaer (Pistons).

Assists: J.L. Schoenith 2, Andrew Redziniak, Seremetis (Pistons).

Comments: Brady Savage and Jay Creech played outstanding defense for the Pistons. Kathryn Brennan and Creech were excellent in goal, with each stopping several shots. Osaer had a fine header and Jonathan Lorenz played a good overall game. The Tigers had good offensive play from Greg Spencer and Kevin Remus and solid defense by Erin South.

UNDER-10

Liverpool 5, Nottingham 4

Goals: Marshall Ochylski 3, Robbie Sessions, Mike Neveux (Liverpool); Robert Barker 3, Kyle Valade (Nottingham).

Assists: Sessions 2, Neveux, Hank Peyser 2, Jonathan Gay (Liverpool); Michael Barker, Luke Mashilse, Tom Mott, Gretchen Valade, Lisa Ripecky, Sam Hull (Nottingham).

Comments: Stephen Ruppe and Monique Squiers played well in goal for Liverpool, which won the game on Ochylski's third goal.

Liverpool 2, Aston Villa 1

Goals: Hank Peyser 2 (Liverpool); Jeff Remillet (Aston Villa).

Assists: Marshall Ochylski 2 (Liverpool).

Comments: Robbie Sessions and Jonathan Gay also played well for Liverpool. Eli Wilson and Tim Smolinski played well in goal for Aston Villa.

Liverpool 3, Leeds 0

Goals: Marshall Ochylski 2, Hank Peyser (Liverpool).

Assists: Ochylski, Mike Neveux 2 (Liverpool).

Comments: Liverpool saved its best game of the season for the last. Monique Squiers and Steven Ruppe combined in goal for the shutout. Brad Evanski, Wesley Raynal and Joe DeLaura played excellent defense. Jonathan Gay and Robbie Sessions controlled the midfield, while Alex Duncan, Neveux, Ochylski, Peyser and Matt Triano provided the offense.

Nottingham Forest 6, Millwall 1

Goals: Tom Mott 3, Robert Barker 2, Bob Diehl (Nottingham Forest).

Assists: Lisa Repicky, Diehl 2, Barker, Kyle Valade 2 (Nottingham Forest).

Comments: Nottingham Forest finished with an 8-3-1 record.

Aston Villa 3, Nottingham Forest 3

Goals: Jeff Remillet 2, Eli Wilson (Aston Villa); Robert Barker, Tom Mott, Bob Diehl (Nottingham Forest).

Assists: Tim Smolenski 2 (Aston Villa).

Comments: Nottingham Forest's performance featured strong midfield play from Lisa Repicky and good goaltending by Sam Hull and Mike Barker.

Sheffield Wednesday 3, Liverpool 2

Goals: Grant Withers, Zak Brooks, Andrew Miller (Sheffield Wednesday); Marshall Ochylski 2 (Liverpool).

Assists: Michael Neveux 2 (Liverpool).

Comments: The game was tied 2-2 at halftime. Sheffield's Christopher McMillan nearly scored early in the second half but the Liverpool goalkeeper made an excellent save. Miller finally got the winner midway through the second half when he threaded through the Liverpool defense to score an unassisted goal.

Aston Villa 6, Arsenal 2

Goals: Jeff Remillet 3, Tim Smolenski 3 (Aston Villa); Greg DiVico, Eric Maurer (Arsenal).

Assists: Elizabeth Cohan, Tim Denton (Aston Villa).

Comments: Remillet and Smolenski not only led the Aston Villa offense, but they, along with Eli Wilson, were strong in goal. The play of the game was a one-handed save by Smolenski on a perfectly-placed penalty kick by Arsenal. Colin Rodin provided fine defensive play for Aston Villa. David DeBoer had an excellent game for Arsenal.

Arsenal 3, Sheffield Wednesday 1

Goals: Brett Alderman 2, Erich Maurer (Arsenal); Andrew Miller (Sheffield Wednesday).

Comments: Arsenal avenged an early-season loss behind the outstanding goaltending of Philip Cackowski and Mike Laciura. Arsenal overcame the solid play of Sheffield's Joey Vega and Miller. David DeBoer, Billy Schrage, Mike Martin and Greg DiVico sparked a solid defensive effort, while the hustling attack of Jack Elsey, Alexei Dodson, J.P. Monaghan and Peter Corrado kept the ball in the offensive end most of the game.

Arsenal 5, Manchester 1

Goals: Brett Alderman, Erich Maurer, Philip Cackowski, Mike Laciura, Peter Corrado (Arsenal).

Assists: Mike Martin 2, Alderman, Chris Swenson, David DeBoer (Arsenal).

Comments: Arsenal used a solid combination of teamwork and hustle to win its final game of the season. The team was sparked by the playmaking and defense of Greg DiVico, Alexei Dodson, John Patrick Monaghan and Billy Schrage.

UNDER-12

Arsenal 2, Harper Woods 2

Goals: Jimmy Distefano, Jonathan Redziniak (Arsenal).

Assists: Mike Fayad, Robert Uppleger (Arsenal).

Comments: Arsenal had a lot of shots on goal, but Harper Woods did a good job of preparing defensively. Arsenal had good defensive performances from John Joseph and Joseph Tringale. Ian Decker, Dimitri Kerasiotis and Smyly Barclay played well at midfield and Fayad did an excellent job in goal in the second half.

Arsenal 2, GPSA Four 2

Goals: Mike Fayad, Jonathan Redziniak (Arsenal).

Assists: Daniel LaLonde, Robert Uppleger (Arsenal).

Comments: Arsenal got good saves from goalkeepers Ian Decker and Smyly Barclay. John Joseph turned in some strong play at sweeper and Dimitri Kerasiotis had an excellent game at stopper. GPSA No. 4 turned in some strong defensive play.

Arsenal 2, GPSA Two 1

Goals: Jimmy Distefano, Jonathan Redziniak (Arsenal).

Assists: Mike Fayad, Robert Uppleger (Arsenal).

Comments: Fayad made some good saves in goal for Arsenal. Dimitri Kerasiotis and John Joseph played well as stopper and sweeper, respectively. Smyly Barclay, Daniel LaLonde and Alfred Arriola played well defensively. GPSA No. 2 had a good defensive game and got strong goalkeeping.

Tornado 2, Blue Devils 1

Goals: John Leverenz, Steve Tarrant (Tornado); Alex Middleton (Blue Devils).

Assists: Leverenz, Tarrant (Tornado).

Comments: The close, exciting game featured excellent goaltending by Dan Sax and Garrard Martin of the Blue Devils and the Tornado's Willy Beierwaltes. Strong supporting play came from Sunai Edwards, Gloria Atsalkis, Andy Roa, Jack Stevens, Justin McMillan, Sean O'Donnell-Daudlin, Rob Greening, Andrew Keenan-Bolger, Eric Palmer, Michael Haberkorn and David Haberkorn.

Hurricanes 4, Fraser 1

Goals: Zach Matthews, Andrew DiGiovanni, Rick Weiss, Mike Wayland (Hurricanes).

Assists: Ross Rottier, Adam DiGiovanni (Hurricanes).

Comments: Both teams played solid defense. The Hurricanes' Dave Sheill and James Wilhelm did a good job of keeping the ball in the opposing zone.

Hurricanes 12, Roseville 0

Goals: Brendan Russo 3, Matt Collins 2, Adam DiGiovanni 2, Eric Shovein, Mike Wayland, Ross Rottier, Zach Matthews, Andrew DiGiovanni (Hurricanes).

Comments: Adam DiGiovanni, Collins, Mike Snyder and Alex Hubbell led the Hurricanes' defense.

UNDER-14

GPSA Green 7, St. Clair Shores 1

Goals: Chris Dubay, Andrew Adams 3, David Neveux, Eric Bertelsen, Jake Koppinger (Green).

Assists: Bertelsen, Scott Ruthven, Eirik Thompson, Dan Ahee (Green).

Comments: Erich Bergmann was among the GPSA Green offensive standouts, while David Mattei provided strong support on defense. Dubay was sharp in goal, turning away all the St. Clair Shores shots in the second half.

GPSA Green 10, Roseville Red 0

Goals: Dan Ahee, Niel Ruthven 2, Scott Ruthven 2, Lenny Stoehr, Eric Bertelsen, Chris Dubay, Andrew Adams, Tom Solomon (Green).

Assists: Stephen Sessions 2, Adams, Kevin Coleman, Dan McGraw (Green).

Comments: Dubay and Eirik Thompson provided shutout goaltending. Among the game highlights were long shots by Niel Ruthven and Dubay, which sailed just under the crossbar for goals.

Kent counts on Zolik

Former Grosse Pointe North standout Maureen Zolik is starting her third season as a member of the Kent State University women's basketball team.

The 5-foot-8 junior is expected to return to her role as the Golden Flashes' backup point guard with her solid ballhandling skills and knowledge of the Kent offense.

Zolik played in 29 of Kent's 30 games last season, averaging 1.5 points, 1.2 assists and 1.1 rebounds per game. She had a career-high six assists against Bowling Green and Akron and scored a season-high five points against Ball State.

Her assist-to-turnover ratio of 1.57 ranked second in the Mid-American Conference.

Zolik played in 23 games as a freshman in 1995-96 when Kent won the MAC regular-season championship and advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament. She averaged 1.9 points per game and had a career-high 10 against Central Michigan.

As a senior at North, Zolik averaged 10.0 points and 3.3 assists per game.

She was a two-time most valuable player on the squad and was picked to the all-state team by the Michigan Basketball Coaches Association. North had a four-year record of 72-17 during Zolik's career.

She is the daughter of Michael and Catherine Zolik of Grosse Pointe Woods and is majoring in photo journalism.

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

CHANGES ARE MADE IN DETERMINATION OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BASE (1% ANNUAL CHANCE) FLOOD ELEVATIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

On January 3, 1979, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) identified Special Flood Hazard Areas in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan through issuance of a Flood Insurance Rate Map.

The Associate Director for Mitigation, has determined that modification of the elevations of the flood having a 1% chance of occurrence in any given year (base flood) for certain locations in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, is appropriate. The modified base flood elevations amend the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map for the community.

This modification to the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map reflects construction of earthen (earthfill) levees, and more detailed topographic information along the entire shoreline of Lake St. Clair than that used to prepare the January 3, 1979, Flood Insurance Rate Map. As a result, there are increases and decreases in the 1% annual chance (100-year) floodplain and an increase in the base flood elevations. The revised base flood elevations for Lake St. Clair are as follows:

Location	Base Flood Elevations (NGVD)* Effective	Revised
Entire shoreline within community	*578.5	*583

*Elevation in feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum

The changes are made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234), and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended. (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448) 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65.

Under the above-mentioned Acts of 1968 and 1973, the Associate Director for Mitigation, must develop criteria for floodplain management. In order for the community to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program, the community will be using the new base flood elevations to administer the floodplain management measures of the National Flood Insurance Program. These modified base flood elevations will also be used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents.

Upon the second publication of notice of these changes in this paper, any person has 90 days in which he can request through the Chief Executive Officer of the community that the Associate Director for Mitigation reconsider the determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on knowledge of changed conditions or new scientific or technical data. All interested parties are on notice that until the 90-day period elapses, the Associate Director's determination to modify the base flood elevations may itself be changed.

Any person having knowledge or wishing to comment on these changes should immediately notify:

The Honorable Palmer Heenan
Mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe Park
15115 East Jefferson Avenue
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MONDAY 12 NOON
(Call for Holiday close dates)
CLASSIFIEDS
TUESDAY 12 NOON
(Call for Holiday close dates)

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REAL ESTATE FOR RENT
"See our Magazine Section "YourHome" for all Classified Real Estate For Rent ads.

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Grosse Pointe News & CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS
CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING
96 Kercheval • Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
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$12.75	$13.40	$14.05	$14.70

100 PERSONALS

ARE you having trouble with Christmas gift ideas? Famous Maintenance is selling Gift Certificates in any denomination for window cleaning, gutter cleaning, power washing. 313-884-4300.

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PROFESSIONAL massage for men and women. For appointment call Stan. Harper Woods. 313-882-7835

SANTA Paws is coming to town! Bring your pet to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Saturday December 6th, between 11am- 3pm for a picture with Santa. Proceeds to benefit Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society.

VIDPIX! The gift that comes alive: Family slides, photos & film to videotape. Terry Video Services, 313-886-0325.

101 PRAYERS

IN Thanksgiving for Sacred Heart, St. Jude, Father Solanus for favors received. B.J.W.

PRAYER of the Blessed Virgin(Never known to fail).
Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God. Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my Mother. Oh Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in my necessity (request here). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary conceived without sin, Pray for us who have recourse. Holy Mary, place this prayer in your hands. Say this 3 times, 3 days, publish it. It will be granted to you.Grateful thanks. A.P.

102 LOST & FOUND

LOST! Engagement ring, white gold, November 14th. Reward! 810-769-9235

109 ENTERTAINMENT

BOW n' Ivory duo: piano/violin for your holiday party. Patti, 1-313-823-1721

CLASSICAL music for any occasion. Solo, duo, trio, quintet, guitar, winds, voice. 810-661-2241.

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GROSSE Pointe local drive around piano teacher wants to play your holiday party. Audition video tape & keyboard are available. 313-824-7182

112 HEALTH & NUTRITION

DIABETICS, preferred RX an authorized medicare provider has helped patients receive diabetic supplies and prescriptions by mail since 1987. Call for more information, 1-800-843-7038 (SCA Network)

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112 HEALTH & NUTRITION

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SHAKLEE products. Tired of feeling tired? Shaklee products are all natural! 313-372-2194.

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114 MUSIC EDUCATION

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117 SECRETARIAL SERVICES

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118 TAX SERVICE

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120 TUTORING EDUCATION

GROSSE POINTE LEARNING CENTER
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• Counseling
• Diagnostic Testing
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343-0836 343-0836

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AFFORDABLE sewing. Window valances, Roman shades, cornice boards. "Your Fabric, My Talent". Home consultation. Call (810)794-9208

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123 DECORATING SERVICE

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SLIP covers & upholstery; cloth and plastic. (810)264-9220

125 FINANCIAL SERVICES

AVOID bankruptcy. Free debt consolidation APP. with credit services. 1-800-619-1092.

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

APPLICATIONS accepted for full/ part time cashiers, stock clerks and butcher. Must be 18. Yorkshire Food Market, 16711 Mack.

AREA dry cleaners seeks part time morning help. Some counter work/ pressing. Good people skills. $6.50 to start. (313)886-2965

"AVON" Representatives Needed! No Door-to-Door required. Potential $100- $1,200+ month. Independent sales rep, 1-800-423-7112

BARTENDERS, part time, hourly pay and gratuity, hours vary. For application: Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

BE a paralegal! Train now! Be part of one of today's fastest growing careers. Accredited attorney instructed diploma/ degreed home study programs. Free catalog. 800-476-3316, ext. 13. (SCA Network)

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RELIABLE workers needed for established maintenance company. Drivers license required, good pay for experienced help. Famous Maintenance 313-884-4300

Grosse Pointe News & CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS
Check out the CLASSIFIEDS on our new web site at:
http://grossepointenews.com
Use the handy online form to help you create and place your ad!
For further assistance call (313)882-6900

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

DESKTOP PUBLISHING AD / GRAPHIC PRODUCTION
Part time help needed at award-winning suburban east-side weekly newspapers. Must have Macintosh and related publishing software experience. Please send resumes to: Shawn Muter, Anteebo Publishers,
96 Kercheval,
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
or fax to: 313-343-5571

EARN $500- $3,000 monthly. Phone company representative. Flexible hours at home. No selling. 800-382-2712 ext. 1709-3631

GIRLS Lacrosse coach, varsity and JV level, for Grosse Pointe North High School. Contact Tom Gauerke at (313)343-2215

HAIRSTYLIST or barber stylist needed for busy Grosse Pointe salon. Part or full time, guaranteed salary plus commission. 313-881-0506

HONEST & hard working person for retail sales. Part or full time. Call Standard Auto Supply, 313-372-4014.

IF you like to clean, want above average pay, and flexible hours. Call us! Great opportunity for homemakers. 313-886-2131

JOB coaches needed to support adults with developmental disabilities in the community. Call 810-465-6657, ask for Heather. MORC training a plus.

LITTLE Italy's Pizza needs phone person, pizza makers, delivery drivers. Call (313)526-0300, (810)469-2935.

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

JOB opening. School crossing guards. City of Grosse Pointe Woods. $7- $7.50/ hour. 3 hours maximum per day. Benefits to include family passes to Grosse Pointe Woods Lakefront park. Positions open immediately. For more information call Officer Dan Koerber. Call 313-343-2416. Public Safety Department City of Grosse Pointe Woods.

KITCHEN Manager/ Bartender, Dishwasher, experienced only. Needed immediately. Rumors On The River (313)824-1000, ask for Darlene.

LOOKING for a new career?
Call and see if you qualify to earn $50,000. We have the systems and the schooling to make your dreams come true.
Call J.P. Fountain at
313-886-5800.
Coldwell Banker Schweitzer
Grosse Pointe Farms.

LUNCH Box Deli needs dependable part time delivery person, 11- 1 Monday thru Friday. Must have transportation, presentable appearance, & personality. Excellent pay with friendly work environment. 810-778-7671

MAINTENANCE/ delivery person for pet shop. 3- 6 p.m. 313-881-9099.

MAMA Rosa's Pizzeria needs phone help, cooks, waitstaff, pizza makers & delivery people. Apply after 4p.m. 15134 Mack

Classified Line Busy? FAX (313)343-5569

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

MATURE, responsible Receptionist needed full time. (810)779-1798 after 5.

MR. C'S DELI
No experience necessary. Cashiers, cooks, clerks, stock help. Must be at least 14. Starting pay up to $6.00 based on experience. Apply at Mr. C's Deli, 18660 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mack at E. Warren, 881-7392, ask for John. Or 20915 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, between 8 & 9 Mile 884-3880, ask for Donna

NEEDED 39 people to lose weight now! No will power needed! 810-790-6744.

PART time lifeguard needed at a private Downtown club. Contact Rex Aubrey at 313-963-9200, ext.290.

PART TIME OR SEMI RETIRED
Harper Woods Family Business (Est. 1968). Seeking dependable persons with good phone skills. Oversee our order dept. 5p.m.- 9:30 p.m. daily/ 9a.m.- 3 p.m. Saturday. Very generous pay plan. Leave message- Mr. Roy 313-886-1763.

PART TIME STUDENT WITH COMPUTER EXPERTISE. EXCEL capability, internet downloading, web site set up, etc.. Excellent resume opportunity for student. Must have high scholastic standing and references. (313)882-2606

PICTURE framer, full time. Experience helpful. 313-881-3030

100 PERSONALS

YOUR BOOK EDITOR
Ken Eatherly
WordNet Editorial 822-4091

100 PERSONALS

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SPRUCE CHRISTMAS TREES
You Select, You Cut
One mile west of Ruby on Imlay City Rd.
No Dyes, No Pesticides
OPEN DEC. 5th - DEC. 15th
Charter Membership Available
I-94 east to Wadhams Rd., follow signs to Ruby, MI
$5.00 off with this ad

111 HAPPY ADS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY SARAH!
Love, GRANDPA & GRANDMA BAY

111 HAPPY ADS

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

River Place Hotel is currently seeking experienced and creative people for the following positions:
Director of Sales, Chief Engineer, Sous Chef,
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Assistant Food and Beverage Manager
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We are also hiring for cooks, servers, dishwashers, engineers, security and valet.
If you are interested in working with a company that is on the cutting edge and constantly growing, please apply in person or by fax at the:
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(313)259-3744

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Grand Haven, MI 49417
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SEQUENCE

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

PROFESSIONAL PERSONS
who would like a nice income working from home.
30 year old East-side legitimate business needs your help. Will train. Great opportunity call Mr. Todd for details 313-886-1763

RESTAURANT
Night manager, waitstaff and cook. Apply Soup Kitchen Saloon, Franklin at Orleans, east of Ren Cen, between 2- 4pm.

SALON receptionist- Lamia & Lamia has full time position available to energetic, outgoing individual. Must posses the following: Good phone & people skills, bookkeeping, some computer skills helpful. Salary range $17,000- $20,000. Send resume to: Lamia & Lamia, 1845 Fleetwood, Grosse Pointe Woods MI 48236 or Fax: 313-885-5867.

SECRETARY, part time. National mgt. firm desires a part time secretary with Word Perfect and Windows background to work 8- 12 hours a week performing marketing functions. $9.00/ hour. Flexible hours. Send resume HHA Services. 22622 Harper Ave. St. Clair Shores, Mi. 48080 or fax to (810)771-3044, or e-mail to HHA Service @aol.com. EOE

START immediately. Cooks & waitstaff, full or part time. Good pay/ tips. Apply in person. Woodbridge Tavern. Monday- Friday. 2- 6 p.m. 289 St. Aubin, Detroit.

STYLISTS needed: must have clientele. Commission, rental available. Located near St. John and all Pointes! Make own hours. Must work Saturday. Shop hours, Monday through Friday, 9 to 5. Saturday, 9 to 3. 313-640-8572, Amy

TAX preparer: experience required in 1040 return preparation. Flexible hours during tax season. Update seminar provided. Resume to: P.O. Box 190, St. Clair Shores, Mi. 48080

THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SYSTEM SYSTEM
Counselors for Summer Camp O'Fun '98. Looking for Elementary Ed majors and college students with experience in recreation curriculum, gymnastics, Tae Kwon Do, swimming, (current life guard certificate required), tennis, sports, music, drama, science projects, cooking, etc., 6-7 hours a day.

Director and Assistants for Summer Camp O'Fun '98- Prefer degree in Elementary Ed or recreation. Good supervision and organizational skills required.

Substitute Custodians- Now accepting applications for establishing a list for substitute custodians. $8.64/hour.

Hall Monitor/ Locker Room Attendant at Parcells Middle School, supervises/ monitors boys lavatories and locker room, 10 month position. $6.49/hour.

Apply in person at 389 St. Clair Ave., Grosse Pointe, 2 blocks East of Cadieux, off Jefferson. Office hours 8 - 4

HAIRSTYLIST
2 stations available at Joseph of Grosse Pointe Beauty Salon
Call 313-882-2239

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TIRED OF LOW PAYING CHILD- CARE JOBS?
Be a professional nanny! Top salary & benefits

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(Register: Winter Classes)

A NANNY NETWORK, INC
(810)739-2100

VALET, days and nights, students welcome. Holiday help. 810-751-5689.

WAITRESSES, experienced. Full/ part time. Benefits, paid vacation. Apply at Original Pancake House. 313-884-4144

WAITSTAFF: Must be reliable. Apply within. Blue Pointe Restaurant, 17131 East Warren.

WANTED snow plow drivers with truck, (313)884-4300.

WANTED
WEBSITE ASSISTANT
Part-time position available for assistance with website design, updating, etc. Macintosh and HTML experience necessary. Flexible hours. Ideal for high school student.
343-5575

201 HELP WANTED BABYSITTER

BABYSITTER in our home, 7 month old girl. Approximately 40 hours week. Infant CPR preferred References required. 313-882-1909 after five.

BABYSITTER needed for children ages 2 and 5, in our home, Tuesdays and Thursdays plus. Own transportation. Monica (313)526-4374

CHILD care for two boys, 9 and 12, (housekeeping optional). After school, Monday through Thursday, some evenings. Own transportation. Nonsmoker. 313-824-4003 or 313-885-4841 (day).

DEPENDABLE care giver needed, full time, in my home for toddler and newborn infant. Nonsmoker, own transportation, references required. (313)642-1371

LOVING nanny needed for 7 month old and 5 year old. 4- 5 days weekly. Nonsmoker, reliable transportation and references needed. (313)822-2673

MATURE person needed to care for infant in our home, 3 days per week. School calendar and excellent compensation. (313)885-2341

RESPONSIBLE, caring, mature woman, interested in child care in my home for 3 1/2 year old and 5 month old. References required. (313)886-7807, Mary.

SITTER needed, 2 afternoons per week. Days/ times flexible. 313-881-3579

WORKING mom needs responsible & dependable help in and around home on a regular part time basis. Must like animals. Call after 8p.m., 810-293-7860.

202 HELP WANTED CLERICAL

EDWIN Paul Salon is interviewing for a salon receptionist position. Must have salon and computer skills. We offer 401K profit sharing, full medical and dental. Paid vacations and bonuses. Must be open to ongoing education. Call 313-885-9001 or fax: 313-885-8017

202 HELP WANTED CLERICAL

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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Ernst & Young LLP
500 Woodward Avenue
Suite 1700
Detroit MI 48226-3426
Attn: D. Kerry
c/o Administrative Assistant

EOE
M/F/D/V
No Agencies Please

BOOKKEEPER/ Secretary needed for retail store. Duties will include answering phone, posting A/R, writing checks, etc. Must have pleasant personality and excellent interpersonal skills. Knowledge of computers a must. Grosse Pointe, full time. Resume required. Call for appointment. 313-881-7020

GROSSE Pointe area dealership seeking full time cashier/ receptionist. Excellent phone and people skills required. Previous experience very helpful. Excellent benefits. Call Kerstyn at 313-343-8280 or fax resume to: 313-881-0455

IMMEDIATE part time opening at St. Clair Shores accounting firm for experienced Secretary/ Office Manager. Computer knowledge necessary. Windows a plus! 810-774-5552. Fax resume 810-774-5560

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202 HELP WANTED CLERICAL

RECEPTIONIST, (part time), for busy sales office. Pleasant, confident phone manner and competence in Microsoft Word, (70wpm) a must. Eager to learn other computer programs; experience with dictaphone helpful. 9:00- 3:30. Monday- Friday, $9.00/ hour. (no benefits). Send resume to Office Manager, 20630 Harper, Suite 201, Harper Woods, Mi. 48225

203 HELP WANTED DENTAL/MEDICAL

CNA
All shifts
Starting at $7.00 hour
Home for the aged
Call Monday-Friday, 9 - 4
810-296-3260
E.O.E.

DERMATOLOGY OFFICE
Join our growing office team. Expanding dermatology office seeks part & full time nurses, medical assistants and office staff with medical/ dermatology experience. Direct resumes and inquiries to: Eastside Dermatology, 18384 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or call us at: 313-884-7459 for further information.

DIETARY AIDES
AM & PM Shifts
Home for the aged
Call Monday - Friday
9 - 4
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E.O.E.

HYGIENIST needed for full or part time position, Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods area. Please call 313-886-1122.

MEDICAL Assistant for medical- surgical office. Medical terminology essential. Experience in coding, insurance billing, transcription and general office duties. Send resume to Box 33005, c/o Grosse Pointe News & Connection, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

MEDICAL Assistant needed to work Saturdays in Roseville medical office; Venipuncture, EKG training preferred; call (810)776-0808.

MEDICAL Receptionist, full time for busy 5 physician office in St. Clair Shores. Must have experience in scheduling patients & good phone skills. Send resume to: 23501 E. Jefferson St. Clair Shores, Mi. 48080 Attn. Debbie

MEDICAL receptionist, part time position, approximately 25 hours per week. Call 810-294-4440.

204 HELP WANTED DOMESTIC

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Grosse Pointe News Connection Newspapers

204 HELP WANTED DOMESTIC

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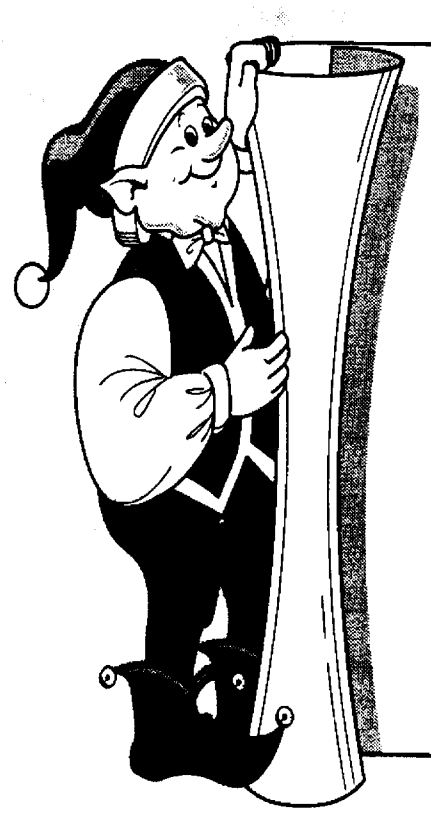
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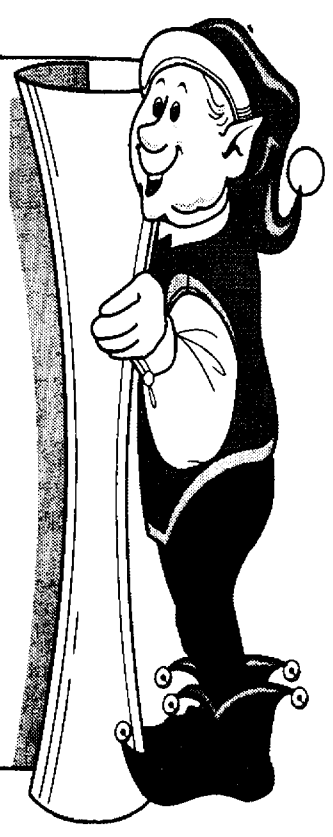
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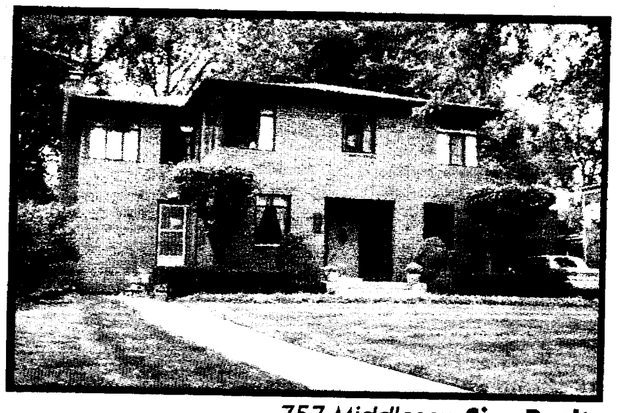
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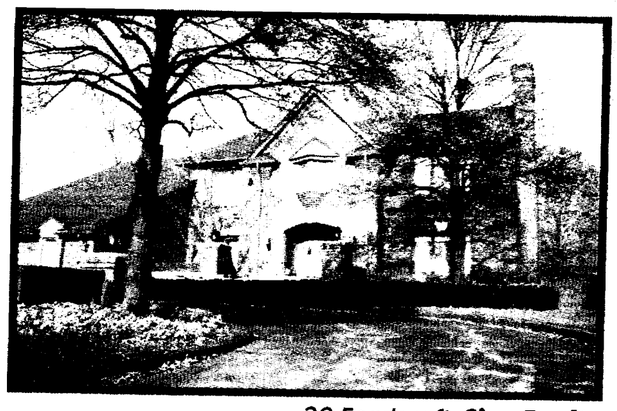
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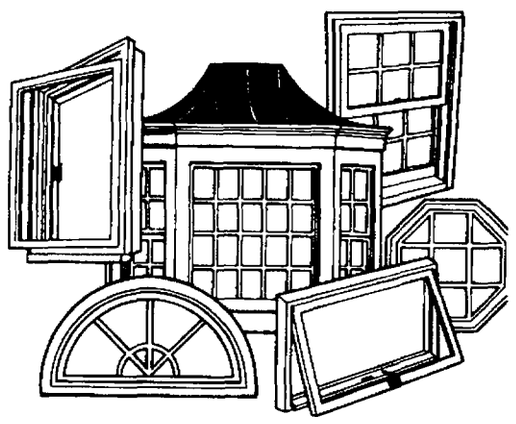
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Windows to go with any style



Today's energy-efficient vinyl windows come in every imaginable style to complement your architecture. Here are some tips from CAREFREE Windows, the nation's largest vinyl window maker, about how to choose window styles.

• Single or double-hung windows have a traditional look that goes well with Colonial or Cape Cod style homes. In double-hung windows, each of the two sashes slide up or down. They can be installed separately or grouped together to form expanses.

• Bow and bay windows work well with Colonial or Georgian architecture. Bow windows curve gracefully outward. Bay windows are straight in the middle and angled at each end. Their geometric patterns create visual excitement. Combined with a window seat, they add room for sitting or for the display of favorite house plants.

• Casement windows go well with architectural styles ranging from contemporary to Tudor. They can be installed individually or in pairs. Hinged at one side, casement windows swing out for full top-to-bottom ventilation. Since they can be opened or closed at the turn of a handle or crank, they are frequently used over hard-to-reach places, such as behind sinks or countertops in kitchens.

• Awning windows are popular in ranch-style homes. Because they open out, they are often installed below a picture or fixed window for ventilation. If you are looking for a combination of views and ventilation, consider sliding windows, which come in a range of sizes and are easily combined.

• Fixed windows in a multitude of shapes, like half or quarter rounds, can be combined with other kinds of windows to create custom designs that open up whole walls to the outside view.

• Vinyl-framed windows are available with single, double or triple-pane insulating glass. Options include frosted, tempered and low-E (emissivity) glass as well as diamond or colonial grids. Vinyl windows will not rust, warp, blister or peel. An occasional wipe with a damp cloth is usually all they need. For additional help in choosing windows, send a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope to CARE-FREE Windows, P.O. Box 61, Charlotte, MI 48813.

Palmer Woods '97 Holiday Home Tour features unique homes

Palmer Woods, one of Detroit's premier neighborhoods, will host the eighth annual Palmer Woods Holiday Home Tour. The '97 tour will take place on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The six stately homes selected for this year's tour reflect the rich architectural heritage found in historic Palmer Woods. Each home features quality craftsmanship, creative design and superior workmanship.

Founded in 1915 and carefully planned to take advantage of the area's natural beauty, Palmer Woods is located west of Woodward and north of Seven Mile.

Curving streets contrast with the rigid gridiron tradition of Detroit and street names like Lincolnshire and Suffolk reflect an interest in English history. Today, Georgian and federal Colonial homes sit side-by-side with Tudor revival, Mediterranean and French country construction.

Tour prices for all ages are $12 per person in advance, $15 on the day of the tour and $10 for groups of 20 or more. Tickets are available in Detroit at the Detroit Gallery of Contemporary Crafts in the Fisher Building, Sidney Bogg Chocolates on Woodward, Terry's Enchanted Garden on Livernois and Hole in One Donuts on Seven Mile. Suburban outlets include Blossoms in Berkley and Birmingham, Pronto 608 in Royal Oak, Sullivan Cleaners in Ferndale, Cup-A-Cino Coffee House in Grosse Park Pointe, and McQueen's Carpets and Rugs in Bloomfield Township.

Tickets may be purchased on the day of the tour at the Detroit 12th Precinct police station at 1441 West Seven Mile. Specific ticket and tour information is available by calling (313) 892-7384.

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Unclogging pipes with preventive maintenance



Q. I have slow drains in both the kitchen and the bathtub; what do you recommend to use? With so many products on the market, I don't know which to use. — *Constance P., SCS*

A. Constance, the first thing I want to discuss is the basic construction of a drain. If you know where the water is going, it will be easier to teach you how to get the drain cleaner to the clog.

The kitchen, the bathtub, and even the bathroom sink have the same basic configuration. After the trap, below the sink, the pipes usually run almost level up to 8 feet away. It's a large pipe, but its size has been reduced by years of accumulated hair, soap and crud.

When people bring in some drainpipes (yes, people do that), one wonders how water ever went down such pipes. This is what happens to people who ignore a slow drain until it is clogged completely. Don't let this happen to you.

The best way to clean a drain is with preventive maintenance.

We probably save nine out of 10 drains with chemicals. The rest are either snaked or removed and replaced with PVC pipe. The important thing here is to catch the problem before it becomes a monster.

If the drain is still working, only running a little slow, I prefer to use an enzyme drain cleaner. It is millions of little bacteria that feed on the crud in the drain. It is a three-day process best done in late evening doses. This way the little buggers can eat all night long.

Simply run a little warm water in the sink to warm up the drainpipes. Then fill a quart jar with water and turn off the water. Now pour about 1 ounce of the drain cleaner down the drain. Then slowly pour the quart of warm water immediately after.

Apply it at least three times a week — three nights in a row, or three nights during a week. Even after the drain seems clear, you should still give it one more dose. This process is slow; however it usually is very effective.

Are you into instant gratification? Can't wait three or more days? Get out the ROOTO professional drain cleaner. This is a product not for the accident prone, standing water, disposals or sissies.

It is sulfuric acid, that loves hair, soap, food, cotton balls and clothing. So, don't get it on you. Use a funnel to pour it into the drain so you don't stain the sink or the tub. Only use small doses and slowly pour eight to 16 ounces of cold water after the application. This will push the acid past the trap and into the long horizontal pipe. Wait five to 15 minutes, to make sure the mixture level is in the drain and repeat the process up to three more times.

The important thing is not to use too much acid at a time. When it reacts with the crud, it expands. If you overdo it, it can expand up onto your china sink and stain it. Also extremely clogged drains get worse if too much crud gets loosened up and can't get out of the pipe. That's why I like to chase the acid with a glass of water to dilute the acid and get it all the way down the pipe.

After you have safely applied one-half to the whole quart of acid, set your oven timer for 45 minutes and wait.

After the bell goes off take a bucket of water and pour slowly into the drain, making sure water goes down. Then increasing the amount of water so it will push the loosened crud out of the pipe.

Do you think hair is the problem? Then another good product is HAIR CARE by Enforcer Products. It is like NAIR, a product used to remove hair from women's legs. We sell a lot of this for showers. It isn't as dangerous as ROOTO — not quite as fast, but effective.

It is best left in the drain from four to eight hours, and then flushed with a bucket of water like the others. My biggest problem with this product is people won't give the drain a final dose after the drain seems clear. The pipes that are still half clogged will run great; however they won't stay that way long.

After the drain is running, I like to use an enzyme drain cleaner for preventive maintenance.

. Send any questions or comments to: Blair c/o Gilbert's Pro Hardware 21920 Harper, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080, (810) 776-9532, e-mail blair@multitechcx.com

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Winter home heating tips

While heating your home during the cold winter months may be the farthest thing from your mind during these fall days, this is the perfect time to inspect and make any necessary repairs on your home heating system.

Over 25 percent of all residential fires, whether you use a central heating system or supplementary heating appliances, are related to home heating appliances. Improper installation and lack of preventive maintenance are major contributors to these fires

The following heating safety tips can help you maintain a fire-safe home this winter.

Furnace

There are only four heating safety tips for your furnace:

1. Have your furnace, flue pipes and chimney inspected annually by a qualified specialist.

2. Be sure that all furnace controls and emergency shutoffs are in proper working condition.

3. Have heat exchangers inspected for defects which could cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to escape into your home.

4. If you are contemplating "home repairs" on your furnace and you are not a qualified specialist, reread safety tip No.1.

Wood stoves and fireplaces

As fuel costs continue to rise, wood stoves and fireplaces become alternative or supplemental sources of heat in many homes. These sources of heat demand special attention to avoid fire hazards which endanger life and property.

• Be sure the wood stove or fireplace is properly installed. Woodstoves should have adequate clearance (36 inches) from combustible surfaces and proper floor protection.

• Woodstoves should be of good quality and labeled/listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

• Have the chimney inspected and cleaned annually.

• Do not use flammable liquids to start or accelerate any fire.

• Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the opening to prevent embers or sparks from escaping into the room.

• The stove should be burned hot twice a day for 15-30 minutes to reduce the amount of creosote buildup.

• Never burn charcoal indoors. Burning charcoal can give off lethal amounts of carbon monoxide.

• Never close a damper with hot ashes in the stove or fireplace. A closed damper will force toxic carbon monoxide into the house.

• Discard hot ashes in a metal container outside and away from house.

Portable heaters

While the state fire marshal does not encourage or recommend the use of portable heaters, the following safety precautions should be observed if a person chooses to use one.

• Contact your local building department to determine if use of a portable heater is allowed by code in your community. If permitted, only portable heaters approved by a nationally recognized laboratory should be used.

• Portable heaters are prohibit-

See HEATING TIPS page 5

1996 heater fires

• 787 total structure fires reported with heaters as the equipment involved in ignition.

• 198 incidents related to a central heating unit (central furnaces, power burners or stokers having an air supply and a return air system).

• 345 incidents related to fixed or stationary local heating units (wall furnaces, unit heaters, room heaters and baseboard heaters).

• 145 incidents related to portable local heating units (space heaters, room heaters, portable salamanders).

• 99 incidents not classified due to insufficient information available to classify further.

• $8,843,769 property/content damages (as reported by fire departments).

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Heating tips

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ed in schools, hospitals, nursing homes, homes for the aged and adult foster care homes.

• Never use a portable heater as a substitute for a central heating system.

• Place the heater at least 3 feet away from combustible materials. Extra care should be taken to prevent children or pets from coming in contact with the heater.

• Portable kerosene heaters should only be used in well-ventilated rooms to ensure an adequate supply of oxygen. Inadequate oxygen may cause an accumulation of poisonous carbon monoxide or other toxic gases which could be fatal.

• Do not overload a circuit with a portable electric heater. Use only extension cords which have the necessary rating to carry the amp load specified by the electric heater manufacturer.

• To avoid electric shock, do not use electric space heaters in bathrooms or other areas where they may come in contact with water.

Regardless of whether you heat your home with a central heating system, a woodburning stove or use a portable heater for supplemental heat, always obey the following rule:

• Smoke detectors should be installed in every home.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that "tests or inspections, as recommended by the manufacturer, shall be made by the householder not less than once a month for other than battery-powered detectors and not less than once a week for battery-powered detectors."

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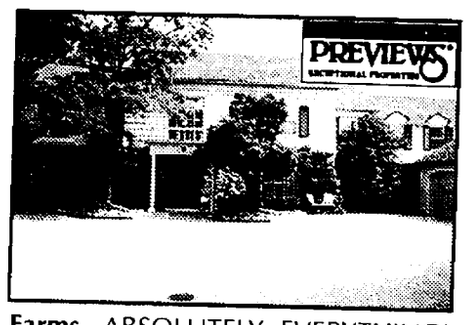
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Community Central Bank	(810) 783-4500	7	2	6.75	2	5.875	2	J/B
Community Federal Credit Union	(313) 451-3414	7.125	2	6.875	2	5	1	J/B
Countrywide Home Loans	(248) 262-8580	7	1.75	6.625	1.625	6	0	J/V/F
Credit Union ONE	(248) 544-1442	7	2	6.75	2	5	2	J
Dearborn Fed. Credit Union	(313) 322-8301	7.125	2	6.75	2	5	2	J/B
Dearborn Federal Savings	(313) 565-3100	7	2	6.75	2	5	2	
DMR Financial Services	(800) 367-1562	7	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	J
D & N Bank	(800) 236-9252	7.25	2.125	6.75	2.125	5.375	2	J/B/F
Elite Mortgage Corp.	(810) 323-1000	7	2	6.5	2	5.25	2	J/B
Executec Mortgage Corp.	(248) 855-8800	7	2	6.5	2	5.5	2	J/B
Fidelity National Mortgage	(800) 251-5104	7.5	0	7.25	0	5.5	1	J/B/V/F
First Alliance Mortgage Co.	(248) 433-9626	7	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	J/B/V/F
First Federal of Michigan	(800) DIAL-FFM	7.125	2	6.75	2	4.75	2	J/V/F
First International Mortgage	(248) 540-1065	7.25	0	7	0	5.5	0	J/B/V/F
1st National Financial	(800) 261-0202	7.25	0	7.125	0	6	0	J/B/V/F
First of America Mortgage Co.	(313) 953-8000	7.125	1.625	6.5	2	5.125	2.25	J/B/BI
First Town Mortgage	(248) 865-0044	7.125	2	6.875	2	5.375	2	J/B/V/F
Flagstar Bank FSB	(800) 72-FIRST	7	2	6.625	2	5.375	2	J/B/V/F
Future Financial Services Inc.	(248) 540-6161	7	2	6.5	2	5	2	J/B/V
Gallatin Mortgage Co.	(313) 994-1202	7	2	6.625	2	5.125	2	J/B
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	(800) 964-GMAC	6.875	3	6.375	3	5.125	3	J/B/V/F
Great Lakes National Bank	(800) 334-5253	7	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	J/B/V
Group One Mortgage	(313) 953-4000	7	2	6.375	2	5	2	B/V/F
Guardian Mortgage	(248) 642-7500	7	1	6.5	1	NR		J/B/V/F
Huntington Mortgage Company	(800) 538-1812	7.125	2	6.625	2	5.75	2	J/B/V/F
JMC Mortgage Corp.	(248) 489-4020	6.625	3.5	6.375	2.5	5	3	J/B
John Adams Mortgage Co.	(800) 239-9109	7.125	2	6.75	2	5.75	2	J/B/V/F
Keystone Mortgage	(800) 403-9821	6.875	1.75	6.375	2	5	1.75	J/B
Mackinac Savings Bank	(800) 829-9259	7.625	0	7.25	0	5.75	0	J/B/V/F
Mainstreet Mortgage	(800) 900-1313	7.375	0	7.125	0	5.25	1	J/B
Michigan Mortgage Lenders	(800) 435-6652	7.25	2	6.75	2	5.375	2	J/B/V
Michigan National Bank	(800) CALL-MNB	7.25	2	6.75	2.25	5.5	2	J/B/V/F
Mortgage Specialist	(248) 280-9696	7.125	2	6.75	2	5.75	2	J/B
NBD Bank	(800) 583-4636	7.1	2	6.8	2	6.05	0	J/B/V/F
North American Mortgage	(800) 700-6262	6.875	2	6.625	2	5.125	2	J/B/V/F
Norwest Mortgage Corp.	(800) 782-3974	7.25	2	6.75	2	5.5	2	J/B/V/F
Old Kent Mortgage Company	(800) 792-8830	7.125	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	J/V/F
Peoples State Bank	(810) 979-4545	7.125	2	6.75	2	NR		J/B
Pioneer Mortgage	(248) 344-1544	7.125	2	6.625	2	5	2	J/B
Plus 4 Mortgage	(800) 70-PLUS4	7.25	1	6.875	1	6.125	1	J/B/V/F
Presidential Home Finance	(800) 358-5626	7.375	0	7	0	6.25	0	J/B
Quality Mortgage Corp.	(810) 254-8150	6.875	1.875	6.5	2	5.75	2	B
Realti Funding Mortgage Corp.	(248) 553-8900	6.75	2.25	6.375	2	5	2	J/B
Republic Bancorp Mortgage	(800) 758-0753	7	2	6.625	2	5.125	2	J/V/F
Rock Financial	(800) 731-ROCK	7.375	1	6.875	1.5	5.75	1	J/F
Ross Mortgage Corp.	(800) 521-5362	7	2	6.75	2	5.5	2	J/V/F
Security National Mortgage	(800) 887-7662	6.875	1	6.5	1	5.75	0	J/V/F
Shore Mortgage	(248) 433-3300	6.75	3	6.25	3	5.25	2	J/V/F
Source One Mortgage	(248) 399-4500	7.625	0	7.25	0	5.875	0	J/B/F/V/BI
St. Clair Mortgage Corp.	(248) 280-0088	7.5	0	7.25	0	6.25	0	J/B/V/F
St. James Servicing Corp.	(800) 837-7005	7.5	0	7.25	0	6.25	0	J/B
Standard Federal Bank	(800) HOME-800	7	2	6.75	2	5	2	J/B/V/F
Sunbelt National Mortgage	(810) 254-8670	7.125	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	J/B
Superior Financial Services	(248) 948-1260	7	2	6.625	2	5.5	2	J/B
Towne Mortgage	(810) 979-2100	7	3	7	1.5	6.875	1.75	B/V/F
Washington Mortgage Company	(888) 927-4266	7	2	6.5	2	5.375	2	J/B
World Wide Financial	(248) 647-1199	7	2	6.5	2	5.375	2	J/B
York Financial	(248) 865-9100	7.5	0	7.125	0	5.625	0	J/B
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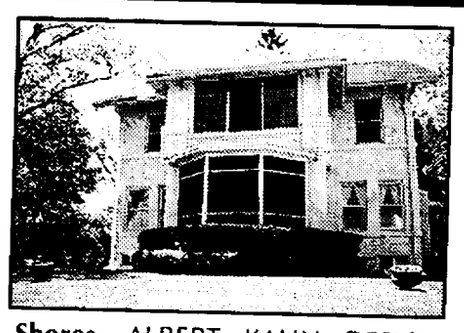
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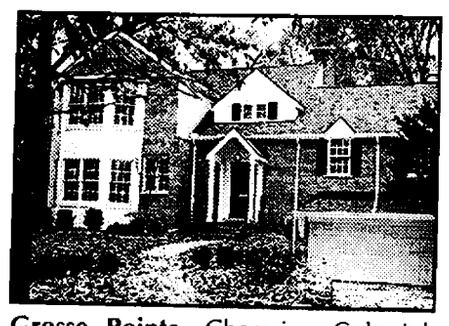
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Farms. ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING! Formal dining and living rooms, family room, and separate children's entertainment center. Private rear yard with pool, pool house and Amish built playhouse. ☎ 37005. (GPN-H-25FAI)



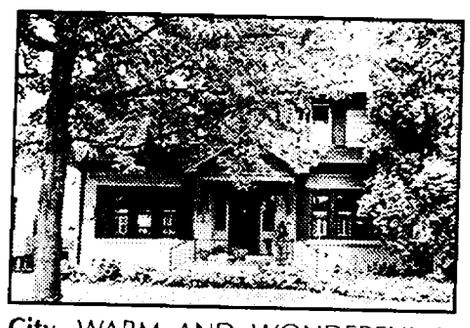
Shores. ALBERT KAHN DESIGN Lakefront home with separate carriage house. Panoramic views of Lake St. Clair from porches and lakefront deck. Wonderful detailing on first floor, wood trim, leaded glass windows. A wonderful home to enjoy all the seasons! ☎ 36645 (GPN-H-44LAK)



Grosse Pointe. Charming Colonial completely renovated. Features include: new Woodmaster kitchen - gathering room. Large master bedroom with private bath with walk in closet. New knotty pine Florida room. New Pozzi wood windows. $525,000. ☎ 34695 (GPN-F-89-LIN)



Shores. PRIVATE AND SPACIOUS. Wonderfully located custom built home. Sunken great room, large living room and den, master bedroom suite with two dressing areas and baths. Private walled courtyard and large lot. $449,000. ☎ 36815 (GPN-H-81WOO)



City. WARM AND WONDERFUL is the feeling of this four bedroom, two and one half bath Colonial with new master suite, designer kitchen with Jenn-Aire, Sub Zero and more! $265,000. ☎ 33165 (GPN-GW-49RIV)



Woods. Great location! Newer furnace with central air, updated kitchen, newer two and one half car garage, newer cement drive, recreation room in basement. $169,900. ☎ 34615 (GPN-F-73VAN)



St. Clair Shores. THREE BEDROOM RANCH. Master bedroom with half bath. Newer kitchen, furnace with central air, finished basement with gas stove. $122,000 ☎ 36775 (GPN-H-13LAK)

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Woods. Wonderful floor plan with this three bedroom Colonial featuring entry hall, family room, some newer windows, fireplace, central air and more! $169,000. ☎ 33315 (GPN-GW-43HOL)



Harper Woods. GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS! Three bedroom ranch featuring eat-in kitchen with updated cupboards, appliances included: finished basement with full bath; central air. Well maintained! $120,000. ☎ 32885 (GPN-GW-22HUN)

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Woods. A must see! Fantastic private backyard with pool. Backs up to Liggett Field. Open floor plan. Wonderful for entertaining. $299,000. ☎ 34295 (GPN-F-19-WIL)



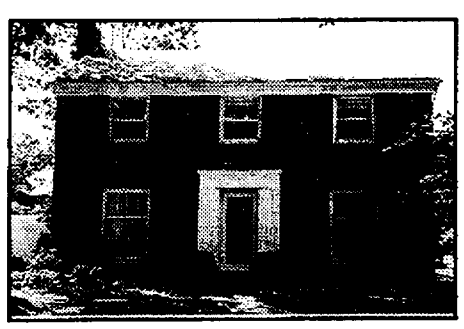
Farms. PERFECTION FROM TOP TO BOTTOM! Beautifully renovated four bedroom Cape Cod. New kitchen, baths, carpeting, newer roof, new drive and storms. Huge master bedroom with two closets and private balcony $297,500. ☎ 36725 (GPN-H-83MEA)



Shores. BEAUTIFUL BRICK RANCH, just off Lakeshore Road, boasts and open floor plan. Master bedroom with bath and finished basement with wet bar. Many improvements. $279,990. ☎ 33415 (GPN-GW-45CRE)



City. GROSSE POINTE TUDOR in move-in condition with many updates. Four bedrooms, two and one half baths, three car garage, large yard with deck, central air and gas heat. $279,900 ☎ 33345 (GPN-GW-10LIN)



Park. IMMACULATE CENTER ENTRANCE. Exceptional family room with vaulted ceiling. Updated kitchen, new powder room. Newer furnace and central air. $239,900. ☎ 36835 (GPN-H-65BIS)



Woods. MOVE RIGHT IN! Charming three bedroom Colonial boasting a newer kitchen, formal dining room and cozy den. Large deck overlooking beautiful yard. New furnace and central air. $174,900. ☎ 36805 (GPN-H-44ROS)



Woods. NEWLY DECORATED three bedroom Colonial with hardwood floors, and natural fireplace. Nice location in the Woods. $169,900. ☎ 34705 (GPN-F-48-NOR)



Woods. SPACIOUS TWO FAMILY HOME in Grosse Pointe! Updated kitchen and family room on lower level. Upper one bedroom with 12 x 25 living room. Nicely decorated. $169,900. ☎ 32725 (GPN-GW-23RIV)



Woods. Open Sunday 2-4 P.M. 1545 Roslyn Rd. featuring three bedrooms, new kitchen, refinished bath, hardwood floors, full bath in basement. Move in condition! $159,500. ☎ 32915.



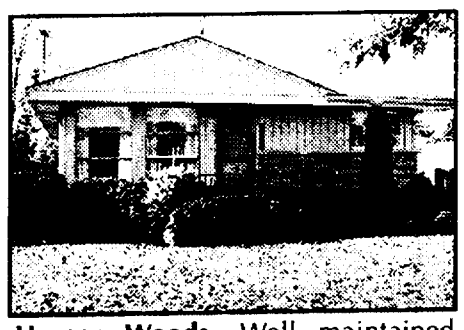
Woods. Spacious ranch situated on larger corner lot. Fireplace in living room and paneled den. Finished basement with third bedroom and half bath. Tastefully decorated in neutral tones. $149,900 ☎ 34655 (GPN-F-71-OXF)



Harper Woods. COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY with this three bedroom one and one half bath brick ranch. Large family room and garden room overlooking patio and pool. Home Warranty. $149,900. ☎ 32925 (GPN-GW-65OLD)



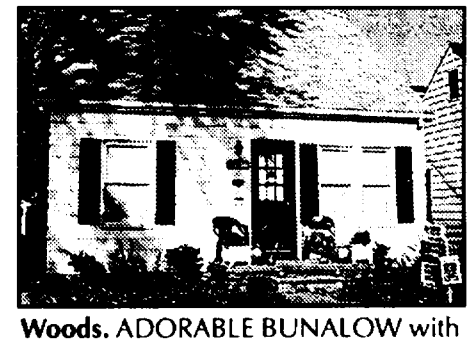
Woods. Brick bungalow freshly decorated in neutral colors and refinished hardwood floors. Features include family room with newer windows, newer gas forced air furnace, newer roof, patio area in yard. Large second floor that is ready to be finished. $137,500 ☎ 34665 (GPN-F-96-BRY)



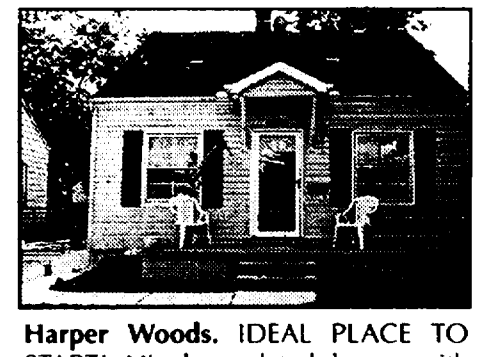
Harper Woods. Well maintained brick ranch on private cul-de-sac. Major improvements included newer gas forced air, complete waterproofing. Newer cement maintenance free exterior, newer garage door and opener. $107,500. ☎ 34545. (GPN-F-25CHU)



Harper Woods. IT'S A WINNER! Surprising detail rarely found in this price range. Hardwood floors, natural fireplace, and eating bay in kitchen. Newer vinyl windows. Very convenient location. $92,500 ☎ 36735 (GPN-H-00WAS)



Woods. ADORABLE BUNALOW with three bedrooms, two full baths. Completely renovated kitchen and updated bath. Hardwood floors, newer windows, new carpeting, new landscaping and patio. $89,900. ☎ 33175 (GPN-GW-30HOL)



Harper Woods. IDEAL PLACE TO START! Nicely updated home with three bedrooms, basement and garage, new furnace, central air conditioning, new roof and vinyl siding, new stove and refrigerator. $77,500 ☎ 32655. (GPN-GW-34WOO)

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A heavenly chorus of Seraphim angles would give a celestial look to a mantel, surrounded by candles, holly and fragrant pine boughs.

Give the gift of light. Candles are always appreciated, and these Santa tapers are sure to brighten a breakfast table or buffet.



THE WARM GLOW OF CHRISTMAS

Complements of Evergreen Home & Garden

By Margaret K. Fitzgerald

For weeks now, the anticipation has been building. Finally it's time to light the home fires, hang the wreath and deck the halls around you. On the eve of this Christmas season, look with fresh eyes at the rooms around you. What can you do to spruce them up? Do you have everything you need?

This year leave the scurrying to the elves and visit the store where the aisles are brimming with everything from Christmas trees to ribbons, ornaments, collectibles and outdoor decorations. With a single trip to Evergreen Home and Garden Center you can find all the decorations you'll need to make your home sparkle with holiday magic. For over 25 years their friendly staff has worked hard to gather all of the most popular trimmings under one roof. And this year it's better than ever.



A must see... visit the Department 56 ceramic Christmas village display featuring both the Original Snow Village and the Dickens' Village. Evergreen carries a full line of Department 56 buildings and acessories. Shiny vintage autos, snow-capped pines and carolers on the corner are sentimental adornments and hark back to a time we all cherish.

A Christmas Decoration Wonderland

There are over 90 artificial trees on display throughout the store, from tiny table toppers to a towering 15 foot balsam fir. Manufacturers of artificial trees have gone to great lengths to create evergreens which bear a strikingly close resemblance to their natural cousins. Variations in branch size, where shorter pale green needles of new growth are interspersed with the deeper hues of more mature boughs, add to the real evergreen look of your home's most important Christmas motif.

If a live tree is your preference, Evergreen has a thoroughly stocked lot of spruces, fraser firs, douglass firs, and much more. You can also find balsam wreaths, cedar roping and a variety of loose greens — all to help you sweeten the air with the scent of a homespun Christmas.



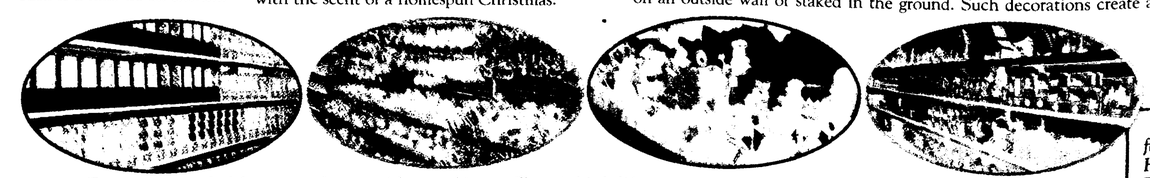
Consider hanging icicle lights outside. These glittering strands of tiny white lights are suspended at intervals from a main cord. When used to outline the roofline of your home, the resulting gingerbread effect is charming.

Lights make your tree sparkle, and showcase your precious ornament collection. Evergreen has an extensive assortment of lights for both the interior and exterior of your home. Choose from the tangle-free construction of cone-shaped net lights which drop down like a blanket over your tree, or a traditional string of glistening white lights for more creative, free form applications. There are icicle lights, glittering strands of tiny white lights which hang down from the main cord. These are used to outline the roofline of your home, resulting in a gingerbread effect which is charming.

Other outdoor decorations include three-dimensional deer sculptures and sleighs. Nestle them among your trees and shrubs. Or create a more lighthearted look with whimsical plastic toy soldiers, snowmen, Santas and angels. There are lighted wire form displays which can be mounted on an outside wall or staked in the ground. Such decorations create a storybook appeal sure to light up the eyes of those who see them. After all, Christmas decorating is about creating magic. Evergreen supplies the materials; you provide the inspiration.

At Evergreen Home and Garden there are aisles and aisles of decorations. There are vintage ornaments, sound and light ornaments, imported glass ornaments, even a Red Wings 1997 Stanley Cup Champions ornament. There are ceramic figurines, the Seraphim Classic Angel Collection, Fontanini heirloom nativities, treetop angels, and tree garlands of beads, tinsel and stars. Wander over to see the Department 56 porcelain Christmas village display, featuring the Original Snow Village and the Dickens' Village. They look enchanting on a mantel or low table. You can even purchase a video called "How to Build a Village."

Don't waste precious time running all over town shopping for decorations. Shop once and shop well at Evergreen Home and Garden.



Evergreen is stocked from top to bottom with everything you'll need this holiday season. Whether you're shopping for decorations or searching for gifts, you're sure to find what you need to make the season bright

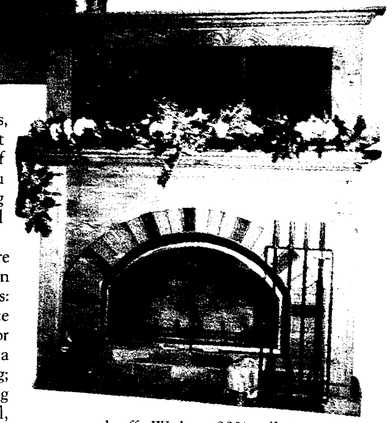
Evergreen Home and Garden Center is your one-stop shopping destination for Christmas decorations, fireplaces and seasonal gifts. Stop in at either location. In Clinton Township, they are at 36000 Groesbeck Highway, six blocks south of 16 Mile Road, telephone (810) 791-2277. In Eastpointe, they are at 16145 East Eight Mile Road, between Gratiot and Kelly, telephone (810) 778-7400. They are open seven days a week, from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Warm Up By The Fire



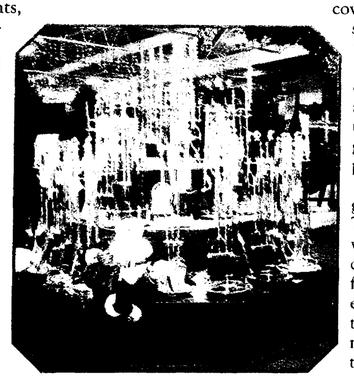
A wall-full of fireplace doors to choose from. Fireplace doors keep drafts out of the room and safely contain the flames of the warmest fires.

Troubles seem to melt away when the fire softly flickers at night. Gas logs make this an easy feat. Here (below), the beautiful oak mantel is by TM and the custom fireplace doors by David Kimberly.



Christmas wouldn't be complete without yuletide carols, flickering candles, and the glowing warmth of a firelit room. Now it is easier than ever to take the chill out of the air with a gas log set from Evergreen.

Vented gas logs are designed for fireplaces where the dampers are kept open and the chimney draws the flame upward. Evergreen carries gas log sets from five different companies, in three designs: birch, full logs and split logs. Depending on the type of fireplace covering you have (door or screen), gas logs average a 50-55% efficiency rating; their heat-generating capacity is substantial, and their aesthetic appeal unmatched. Somehow the glow of a toasty fire draws people together.



Brass fireplace tools help keep the hearth neat and tidy for that special visitor on Christmas Eve. Evergreen also carries wrought iron heath tool sets

Turn on the valve next to the grate, and sink into the sofa. The orange and yellow flames wrap around the logs and dance in and out, just like the flame of a wood fire. In a vented set, the logs can be positioned any way you like, making for an attractive fire that is as easy to use as it is to enjoy.

Vent-free (also "ventless" and "unvented") gas logs do not require any sort of out-take system. In fact, because the damper is closed, these fires really heat up a room. Vent-free fireplaces are thermostatically controlled; set the dial, and the system maintains a constant temperature in the room by turning itself on and off. With a 99% efficiency rating, they are for rooms where there is no other heating source, like an addition or an enclosed insulated porch. Masonry fireplaces can be converted, or if no fireplace exists you can choose between a Vermont Castings iron and porcelain stove, or a prefabricated fireplace by companies like Majestic. Evergreen can even refer you to an installation company.

Evergreen has custom fireplace doors by David Kimberly, as well as standard sized doors for prefabricated, masonry or marble fireplaces. There are screens by Uniflame and Pilgrim, tool sets, grates, log baskets and chimney caps. Their staff is thoroughly versed in every aspect of fireplace heating systems. Just bring them your dimensions and your questions, and they will guide you.

Weatherize your home for this winter season



Get out your checklist and begin weekend projects now

It's great to enjoy the outdoors this time of year, but don't forget that cold weather is not far off and that can only mean it is time to winterize your home. Make a list and check off projects over the next few months. If you begin now, you'll save time and money and will be glad once the freezing temperatures register on your thermometer.

Begin in the basement by wrapping your hot water heater and pipes to keep them from freezing. Special blankets and pipe insulation is available at most home centers. It is also an easy and inexpensive way to cut your hot water costs.

Make sure your attic is properly insulated. The insulation you put in your attic does more than keep your house from losing heat in the winter, it also keeps your house from gaining heat in the summer. When your home's warmth escapes through the roof, it inflates your heating bills and can also cause ice build-up that can ruin your roof. Don't forget about downstairs. An insulated basement makes that space more comfortable and helps keep the upstairs floors warmer, too.

Weatherization

Windows and doors are the primary heatloss areas in most homes, according to John Imbriano, of the Home Depot. He recommends weatherproofing your home in the following ways to help keep warm air indoors:

• Seal the channels of your patio door jambs with rubber compression strips.

• If your old sweep has deteriorated, attach a new rubber sweep to the bottom, outside edge of the garage door.

• Cover window wells to minimize heat loss through your basement windows. Most window-well covers have an upper flange designed to slip under the siding.

• Caulk around dryer and exhaust vents, and any other fittings mounted to the side of your house.

• Seal between baseboards and floorboards. Remove the base shoe and spray with expandable foam. This will not only prevent drafts, but also stops insects from entering your home.

• Insulate around spigots, television cable jacks, telephone lines and other entry points to your house with foam insulation. Be careful when working around power cables.

Chimney sweeps

Sediments in chimneys and furnaces can easily catch fire, and pose a serious danger to your family. Remember if you burn wood frequently, the chimney should be swept once a year, says Imbriano. People who burn wood only six or seven times a year can usually go about three years before sweeping. Be sure to clean out the soot that lines the flue. Because this normally is not a do-it-yourself job, don't be afraid to hire a professional.

Adjust the damper in your fireplace chimney. The damper should obviously be closed at all times, except when there is a fire burning in the fireplace. However, to keep rain and snow away and protect flue liners from deterioration, stainless steel chimney caps can be used.

Antiques

Q. What is Quimper pottery?

A. It is tin-glazed and hand-painted pottery that has been made in Quimper, France, since the late 17th century.

Three firms made the pottery and decorated it with designs of peasants, or sea and flower motifs. The companies were HB Quimper, Porquier and Henriot Quimper. All three companies had merged by 1968. In 1983, the merged company declared bankruptcy and was purchased by an American firm that had been importing its wares. The holding company, Quimper Faience Inc., is located in Stonington, Conn.

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Q. As a youngster, I was a big fan of Vinnie Barbarino. I still have some dolls, one of the Barbarino character and one of the actor, John Travolta. Now that Travolta has had a comeback, are they valuable?

A. Absolutely! Along with other character collectibles from the 1970s, John Travolta and Vinnie Barbarino dolls are hot.

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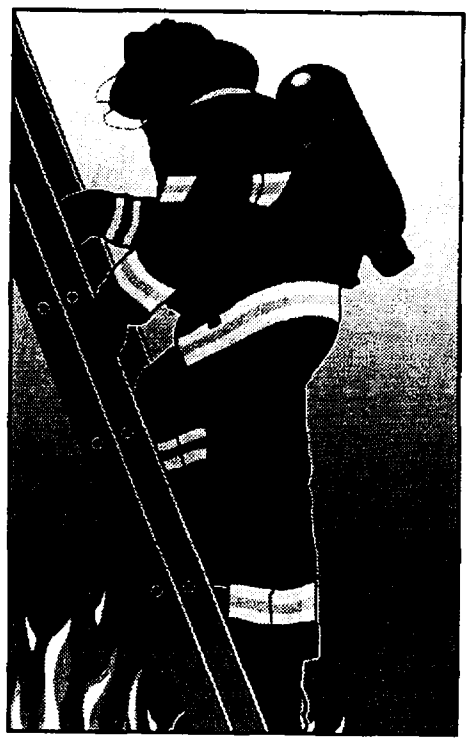
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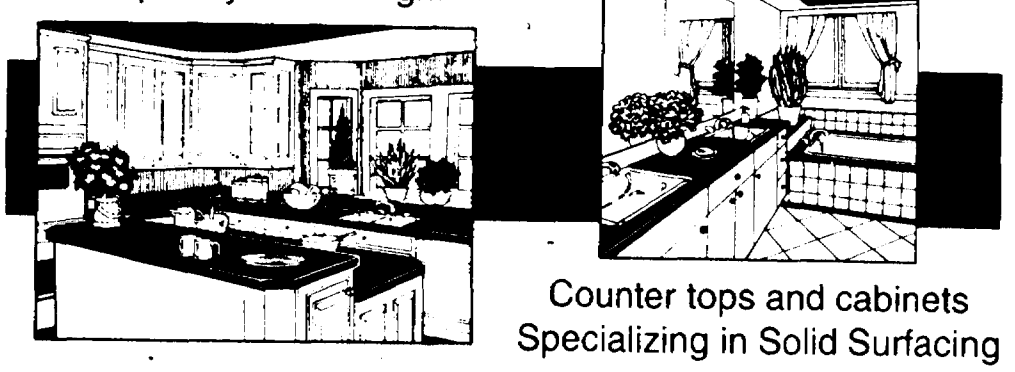
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Get out your checklist and begin weekend projects now

It's great to enjoy the outdoors this time of year, but don't forget that cold weather is not far off and that can only mean it is time to winterize your home. Make a list and check off projects over the next few months. If you begin now, you'll save time and money and will be glad once the freezing temperatures register on your thermometer.

Begin in the basement by wrapping your hot water heater and pipes to keep them from freezing. Special blankets and pipe insulation is available at most home centers. It is also an easy and inexpensive way to cut your hot water costs.

Make sure your attic is properly insulated. The insulation you put in your attic does more than keep your house from losing heat in the winter, it also keeps your house from gaining heat in the summer. When your home's warmth escapes through the roof, it inflates your heating bills and can also cause ice build-up that can ruin your roof. Don't forget about downstairs. An insulated basement makes that space more comfortable and helps keep the upstairs floors warmer, too.

Weatherization

Windows and doors are the primary heatloss areas in most homes, according to John Imbriano, of the Home Depot. He recommends weatherproofing your home in the following ways to help keep warm air indoors:

• Seal the channels of your patio door jambs with rubber compression strips.

• If your old sweep has deteriorated, attach a new rubber sweep to the bottom, outside edge of the garage door.

• Cover window wells to minimize heat loss through your basement windows. Most window-well covers have an upper flange designed to slip under the siding.

• Caulk around dryer and exhaust vents, and any other fittings mounted to the side of your house.

• Seal between baseboards and floorboards. Remove the base shoe and spray with expandable foam. This will not only prevent drafts, but also stops insects from entering your home.

• Insulate around spigots, television cable jacks, telephone lines and other entry points to your house with foam insulation. Be careful when working around power cables.

Chimney sweeps

Sediments in chimneys and furnaces can easily catch fire, and pose a serious danger to your family. Remember if you burn wood frequently, the chimney should be swept once a year, says Imbriano. People who burn wood only six or seven times a year can usually go about three years before sweeping. Be sure to clean out the soot that lines the flue. Because this normally is not a do-it-yourself job, don't be afraid to hire a professional.

Adjust the damper in your fireplace chimney. The damper should obviously be closed at all times, except when there is a fire burning in the fireplace. However, to keep rain and snow away and protect flue liners from deterioration, stainless steel chimney caps can be used.



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Q. What is Quimper pottery?

A. It is tin-glazed and hand-painted pottery that has been made in Quimper, France, since the late 17th century.

Three firms made the pottery and decorated it with designs of peasants, or sea and flower motifs. The companies were HB Quimper, Porquier and Henriot Quimper. All three companies had merged by 1968. In 1983, the merged company declared bankruptcy and was purchased by an American firm that had been importing its wares. The holding company, Quimper Faience Inc., is located in Stonington, Conn.

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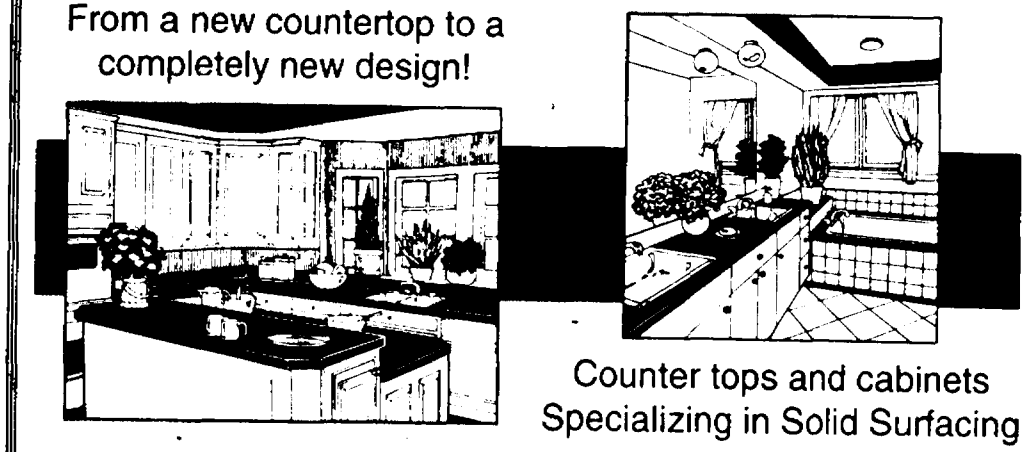
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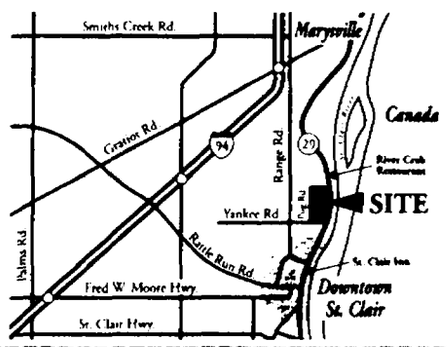
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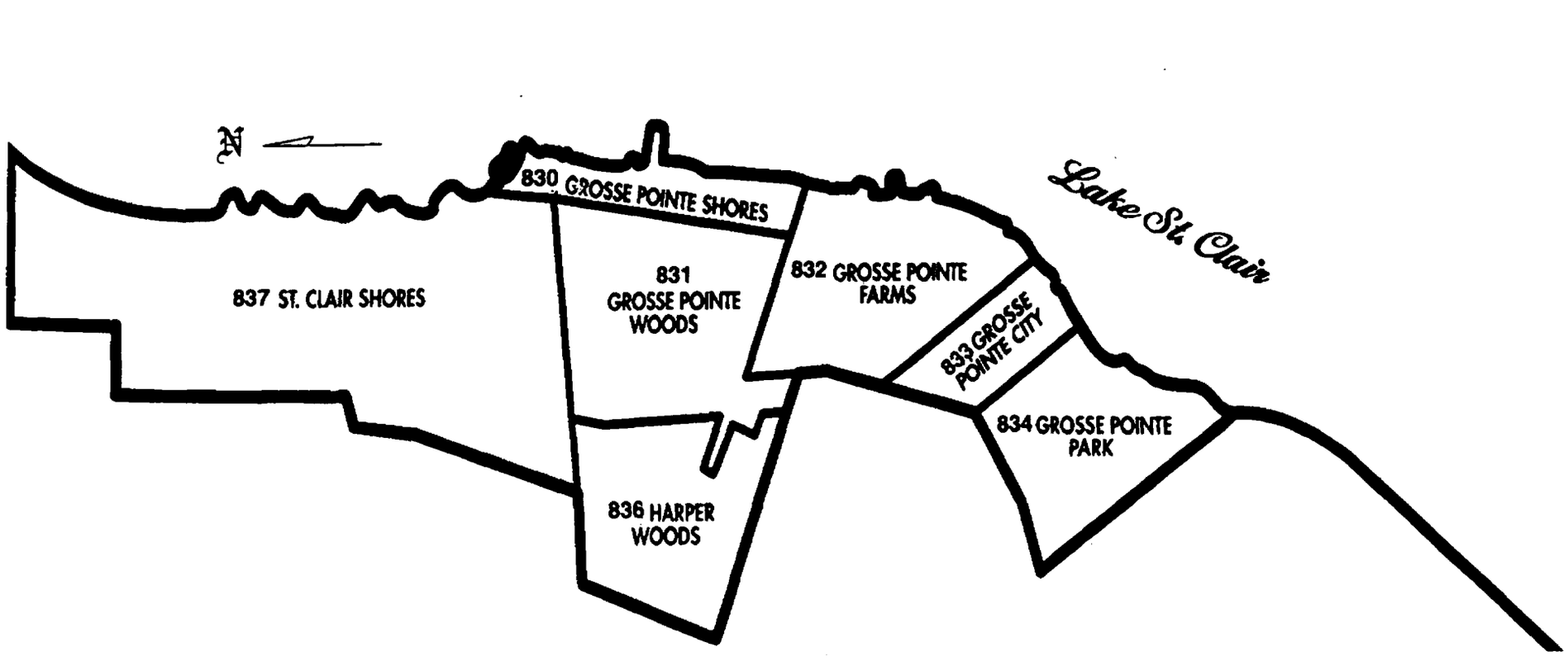
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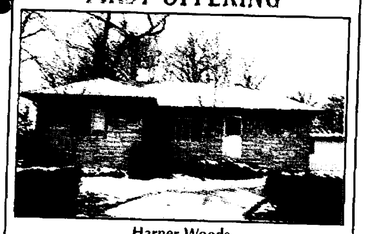
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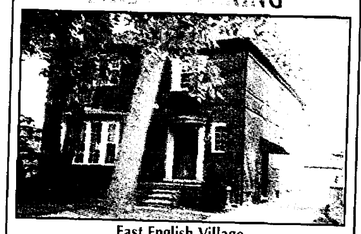
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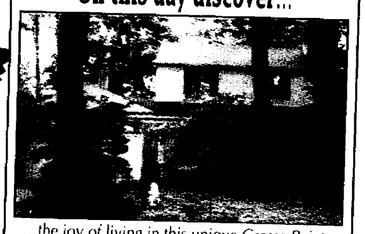
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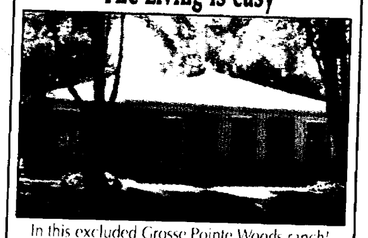
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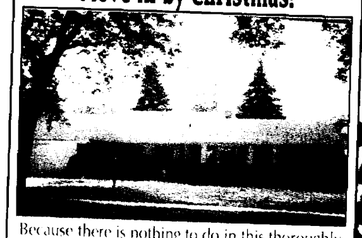
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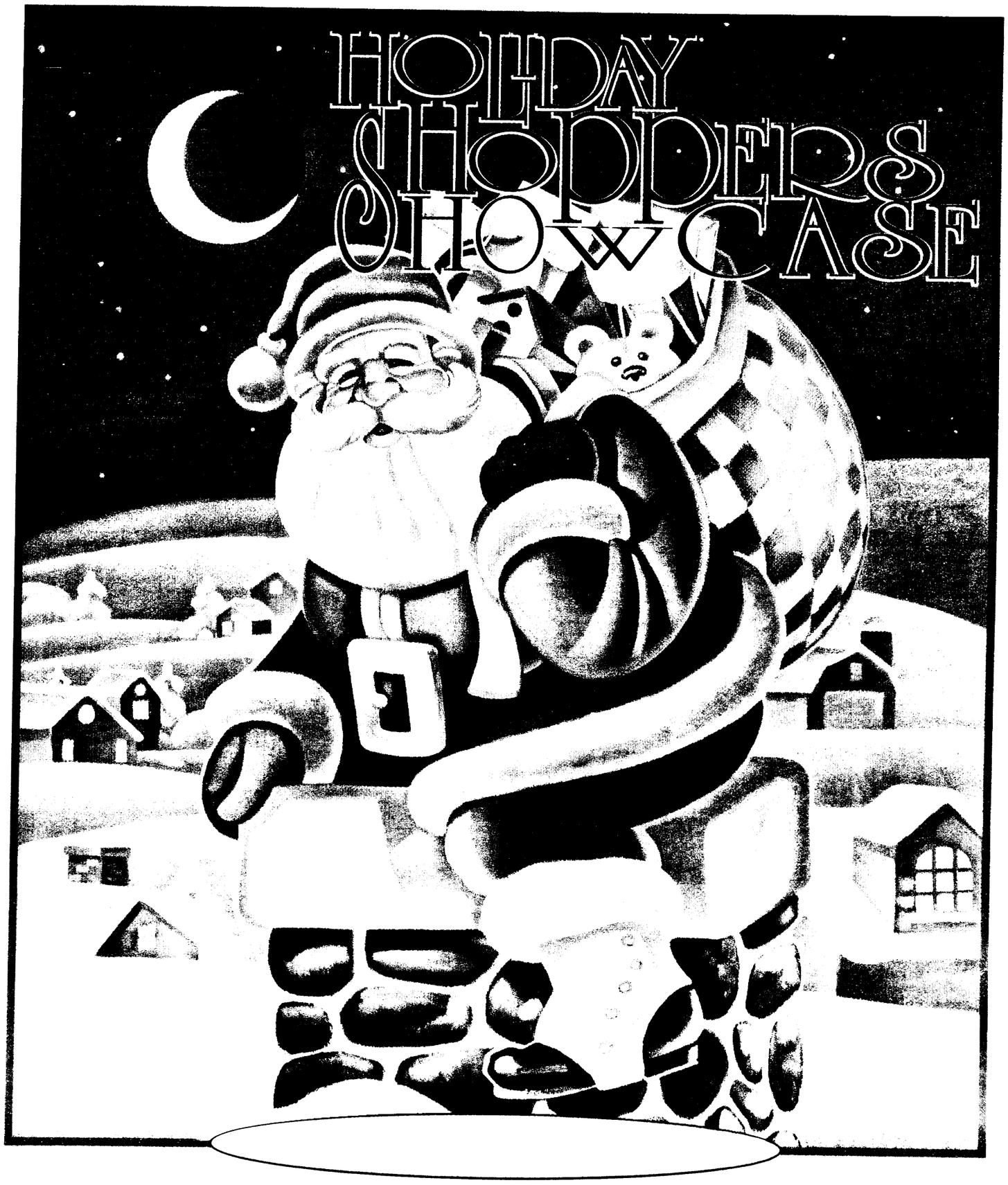


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One of the most wonderful things about the holidays is the pleasing aromas that symbolize the joy and beauty of the season — cinnamon, clove, ginger, vanilla. As soon as you walk into a home and smell these delicious scents, you feel happy and relaxed.

Baking traditional treats will fill the air with these Christmas scents. However, even if you're a novice in the kitchen, you can give your home a festive air with potpourri. This fragrant blend of flower petals, herbs and spices can bring to mind wonderful memories of Christmas past.

Creating homemade potpourri "is not a complicated process," writes Maggie Stuckey, author of "The Complete Spice Book" (St. Martin's). While it does take time, the results can enhance celebrations, filling your home with the holiday spirit.

There are four types of ingredients in potpourri, according to Stuckey's guide:

Botanicals — These are dried flower petals, whole flowers, herb leaves and seedpods. You can dry these yourself or purchase them from craft shops.

Oils — Essential oils or fragrance oils are added to enhance the mixture, because botanicals do not always retain all of the fragrance you want. These oils, which come in an array of scents, are available at craft stores, gift shops and some natural food stores.

Fixatives — Since fragrance oils evaporate over time, they are mixed with substances that absorb them and "fix" them in place for gradual release. Orris root, oak moss and gum benzoin act as fixatives and are available at craft stores, gift shops and some natural food stores.

Spices — Spices, especially whole spices, add depth to the



fragrance of potpourri. Some that work well are cinnamon sticks, whole allspice, whole cloves and star anise. They are available at supermarkets, natural food stores and herb shops.

With the right blend, you can fill your home with wonderful aromas. The following potpourri recipe from "The Complete Spice Book" can help.

CHRISTMASTIME POTPOURRI

10 drops cinnamon oil
10 drops pine or balsam fir oil
4 cinnamon sticks
1/4 cup whole cloves
10 pods of star anise (optional but pretty)
1 quart of mixed botanicals: small cones, dried seed heads, bay leaves, dried rosemary needles, etc.

Using an eyedropper, drop the oils directly onto the cinnamon sticks. Place cinnamon sticks, cloves and star anise into a lidded jar, close tightly, and store in a dark cupboard for 2 days. Using a large bowl and an easy touch, stir your botanicals together with the spices, and put the whole batch into a large container with a lid. Keep in a cupboard for at least 3 weeks. During this time, the oils that are trapped in the cinnamon will slowly release and will be absorbed by the potpourri mixture. After 3 or 4 weeks of this "curing," the potpourri is ready. Place some in your prettiest glass bowl, and make up gift packages with the rest.

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The Cocktail Party is creating a stir

High-living trappings of the good times, like cigar smoking, thick steaks and martinis, are popular. With the return of the martini and other "Thin Man"-period cocktails, the elegant cocktail party is staging a comeback in home entertaining.

"The cocktail party is an expression that affirms the swellness of life," says Leslie Brenner in her book "The Art of the Cocktail Party." Its last heyday was in the 1950s, when much of the country enjoyed relative prosperity. Representing the establishment in the '60s, the cocktail party took a 20-year sabbatical. During the excessive '80s, the New York "smart set" once again embraced it for business and social pleasure.

The '90s ushered in a revival of fine tableware and at-home dinner parties as the preferred way of entertaining. Now, the cocktail party is creating a stir on the home front. Unlike the intimate dinner affair, the cocktail party is less formal, more in-tune with today's casual attitude, yet the flavor is pure luxe.

Vintage silver cocktail shakers and bar accoutrements, particularly those of the '30s Jazz Age party circuit, are now valued collectibles, according to the Silver Information Center. Furthermore, retailers nationwide report that more couples are registering for sterling bar and hors d'oeuvre accessories at bridal and gift registries for all occasions.

"Cocktail parties are once again a popular form of entertainment and an excellent way of bringing together informally a variety of people," says Brenner. "They are less expensive than a dinner party; can be hosted anywhere, anytime of the year; require little preparation; usually run only a couple of hours; and you can entertain many more people at once."

During the holidays, it's fun to "gussy up" and throw a "ritzy" party, sparkling in your finest crystal and silver. Invite guests to "dress" for cocktails and wear their sexiest black cocktail dresses and smartest duds.

Here are six ingredients for hosting a most entertaining and elegant holiday cocktail party:

• Planning — Pick a date and set a time, usually no later than 7 p.m., unless you're planning to serve dinner afterwards. A cocktail party usually lasts two hours to three hours.

• Invitations — Invite 12 or more guests. Send invitations two weeks or three weeks in advance. A calligraphic invitation creates a sophisticated impression. An impromptu invitation by telephone or fax is appropriate for a small group.

• Beverages — Hire an experienced bartender, or if your budget doesn't accommodate one, limit choices to two or three house cocktails. For a special touch, plan a written cocktail menu with descriptions, available at the bar. Always have plenty of sparkling and mineral waters on hand, along with fruit and vegetable juices and nonalcoholic beverages. And, remember to have plenty of ice. It's also perfectly acceptable to serve only champagne, wine and soft drinks.

• Hors d'oeuvres — Easy-to-eat, hot and room-temperature finger foods are ideal and can be made in advance. Set china and silver trays out in strategic places to ensure that everyone doesn't congregate in one spot. Serve hot hors d'oeuvres on silver passing trays to make sure they're hot; silver holds the heat.

• Preparation — Pull out the silver cocktail shaker, trays, hors d'oeuvre servers, picks and a crystal ice bucket. Make sure linens, glasses and silver are washed. Other tools of the trade that you'll need include pitchers, tongs, coasters, stirrers, bar equipment and drink ingredients — from the liquors and mixers to the lemons and limes.

• Music — Record cassettes of pianists from the cocktail golden era: the music of Porter, Berlin and Gershwin or classic jazz by Ellington and Basie.

Most commonly asked question: Should a guest bring a host gift to a cocktail party? According to etiquette, it's not necessary. However, if you choose, bring something that doesn't need to be attended to, like wine, chocolates, a silver holiday ornament, conversational coasters, novelty swizzle sticks, a set of linen cocktail napkins or silver olive/hors d'oeuvre picks. You also might offer a toast of thanks to the host.

Time Savings Tips

Giving your time and attention to loved ones instead of food preparation during the holidays could be the greatest gift of all! Sometimes, it seems as though more time is spent in the kitchen than with family and friends during holiday celebrations. Yet, the proper utensils can shave your preparation and entertaining time. In fact, a sharp, high-quality knife can "cut" time by eliminating 50 percent of food-preparation problems.

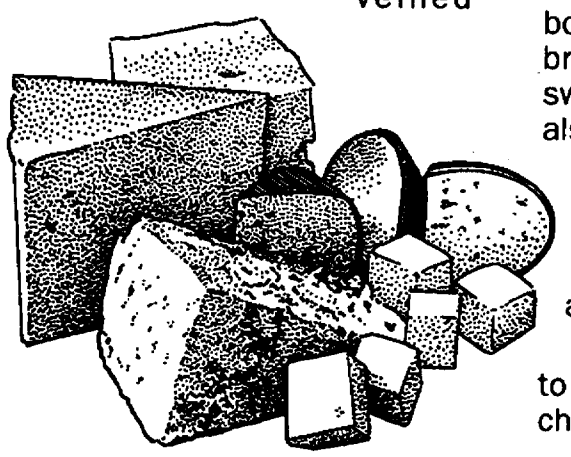
Here are some other tips from the experts at Cutco, a leading manufacturer and marketer of quality cutlery:

- Create traditional favorites like vegetable trays and turkey stuffing by using a French chef knife instead of a food processor to chop vegetables. Food processors can be time-consuming to set up and clean.
- Heavy-duty scissors like Super Shears are a versatile tool in the kitchen. You can snip broccoli and cauliflower florets and fresh herbs for a quick, delicious holiday side dish.
- Remember that every dish you serve is part of a table display during holiday gatherings. Use the tip of a paring knife to create delicate designs on mushroom caps instead of fluting, which can be much more time-consuming.

The Cheese Course

Served before—or sometimes in place of—dessert, the cheese course is a European custom that's becoming more popular in the United States. The success of any cheese course hinges on the breadth of your selection.

Always offer a range of at least three cheeses. More traditional choices would include something from the French triple-creme family (soft-ripened cow's milk cheeses), paired up with English Stilton (a strong, crumbly, blue-veined cow's milk cheese) and a wedge of farmhouse cheddar. More exotic choices could include one of the many differently shaped and textured goat cheeses, or a sheep's milk cheese such as Spanish Manchego, Brebis from the Pyrenees, or a medium-aged Pecorino Toscano. When making your selections, remember that how the cheeses look together is as important as how they taste.



To insure that no flavor or aroma is missed, the cheese course should be served at room temperature. Use your prettiest plate or board with a variety of rustic breads, delicate crackers and sweet fruits. Heated almonds are also a nice addition. If wine is served, it should hail from the same regions as the cheeses. Your guests will not only enjoy themselves—they'll also learn alot, too.

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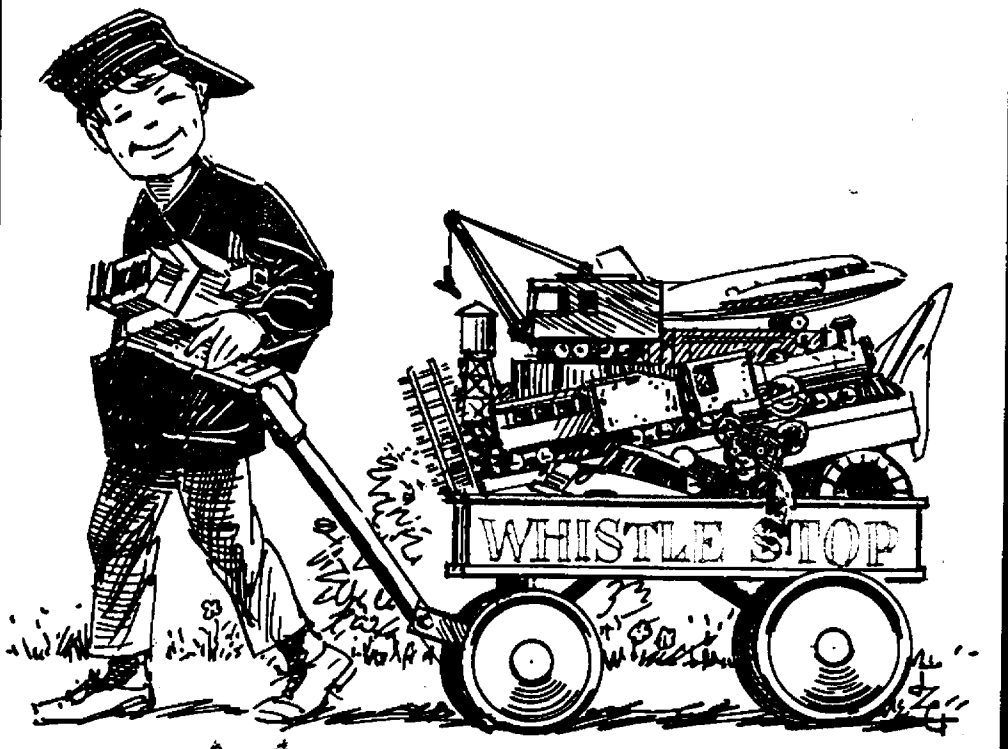
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Decorating the home can be quick, easy and festive project

Decorating the home is an important part of the holiday season. Children and adults alike can't wait to trim the tree, hang the stockings and string the lights. For many, it's as traditional as Christmas dinner itself.

However, it seems like the holidays get more hectic every year, giving people less time to put up all of their decorations. Thankfully, decking the halls doesn't have to be a time-consuming project. In "365 Ways to Prepare for Christmas" (HarperCollins), author David E. Monn offers people quick and easy decorating ideas that can fill their home with the holiday spirit in virtually no time at all.



A FRUIT BASKET adorned with a bow can make a beautiful holiday decoration in the home.

• Lay sprays of evergreens on the mantelpiece, thread a string of white lights (on green wire) through them, and nestle some collectibles amid the greens.

• Place several different sizes of poinsettia plants in cachepots or baskets, and add trailing ivy.

• Cover the mantel or a wide windowsill with a bed of Spanish moss, and tuck in pieces of ivy and holly, pinecones, and some nuts and fruit.

• Fill cachepots, terra-cotta pots or baskets with pinecones, and place them on the mantel or windowsills.

• Use wooden bowls, baskets, and stoneware and ceramic pitchers and cachepots for a country or rustic look.

• Festoon gates, railings and lampposts with garlands of greens dotted with pinecones and holly; add strings of white lights.

• Drape a long rope of greens over the front door, letting it fall halfway to the ground on each side. Attach a red velvet or satin bow over the doorway, and encircle the garland with a streamer of the same ribbon. Frame the entry further by placing a full red poinsettia plant on each side of the doorway.

• Hang a holiday wreath with a 4-inch-wide silk ribbon right onto a mirror in the entryway or over the mantelpiece.

• Fill a woven basket with large pinecones interspersed with clusters of delicate baby's breath; thread tiny white lights throughout, hiding the wires under the pinecones.

• Tie an iridescent wire-edged ribbon around a basket holding fruit, and finish with a festive bow.

• Place extra mirrors around the house during the holidays to add to the glow by reflecting and multiplying the special effects of your decorations.

• Wind strands of tiny white Christmas lights and greens around and up the banister; tie large plaid ribbons along the way.

• Place a poinsettia or flowering plant on every step, peeking through the banister.

• Hang flat snowflake ornaments on the fire screen to create an interesting illusion against the warming blaze.

• Use a galvanized pail for an ice bucket, and tie a big calico bow or two Western-style bandannas around it for a casual country look to add a festive touch to a party.

Turkey Trivia

To commemorate Thanksgiving, your friends at University of Detroit Mercy have compiled a few forgettable feathered facts about this fabulous fowl from UDM's extensive McNichols and Outer Drive libraries.

Why do we call our feathered friend "a turkey?"

Rumor has it that when Christopher Columbus found the land he discovered, he though it was connected to India, where peacocks were in considerable number. He also believed turkeys were a type of peacock (they're really a kind of pheasant), so he named them "tuka" which is "peacock in the Tamil language of India."

The turkey's scientific name is Meleagris gallopavo (mel-e-AY-gris gal-low-PAY-oe) from the Latin gailus, meaning coks, and pavo, meaning chicken-like. Meleagris is the Roman name for guineafowl.

• In the last twenty years, America's love of turkey has soared, with per capita consumption up from 8.3 pounds in 1975 pounds in 1997.

• Ninety percent of Americans eat turkey on Thanksgiving, 50% on Christmas.

•44 percent of all turkey consumption comes from turkey sandwiches.

• Turkeys can be frozen for a year before they lose their flavor.

• Only tom (male) turkeys gobble. Hen turkeys (females) make a clicking sound. Baby turkeys are called poults.

• Approximately 300 million turkeys will be raised this year.

— 45 million will be eaten on Thanksgiving

— 22 million will be eaten on Christmas

— 19 million will be eaten on Easter

• North Carolina is the number one state for turkey production, followed by Minnesota number 2 and Arkansas number 3.

• The heaviest turkey ever raised was 86 pounds by "the heaviest turkey" competition held in London, England on December 12, 1989.

• Mature turkeys have approximately 3,500 feathers

• Can turkeys fly? Yes and no... domesticated turkeys can't, but wild ones can fly distances up to 55 miles.

• Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's first meal on the moon was roasted turkey in foil packets.

• America's national bird was almost the turkey? Benjamin Franklin lobbied for the turkey but the bald eagle wash chosen instead. Franklin complained that "the turkey is a much more respectable bird and a true original native of America."

• Historically in England, swans, peacocks and cranes were roasted for special occasions. Things changed thanks to Charles Dickens. The story goes that because of "The Christmas Story" he is credited for popularizing the serving of turkey for Christmas dinner.

• Fossil evidence shows that turkeys roamed the Americas 10 million years ago.

• American Indians hunted wild turkey for meat was early as 1000 A.D.

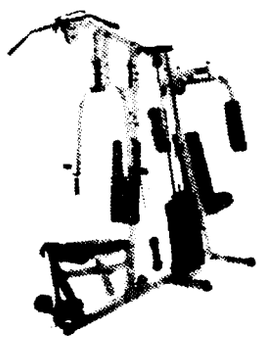
• The Navajo Indians tell of an enormous hen turkey that flew over their fields bringing them corn and teaching them how to cultivate their crops.

• The first Thanksgiving was a three-day harvest festival in 1621 by the Pilgrims in Plymouth, Mass. The first national proclamation for the holiday was made in 1789 by George Washington but it was not a true recognized holiday until President Abraham Lincoln made it an official holiday in 1863 during the Civil War. (Public Law 90-363 sets Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday in November). Previously, the day of giving "thanks, praise and prayer" was opposed by some presidents. Thomas Jefferson dislike the idea so much he actively opposed it during both of his terms in office.

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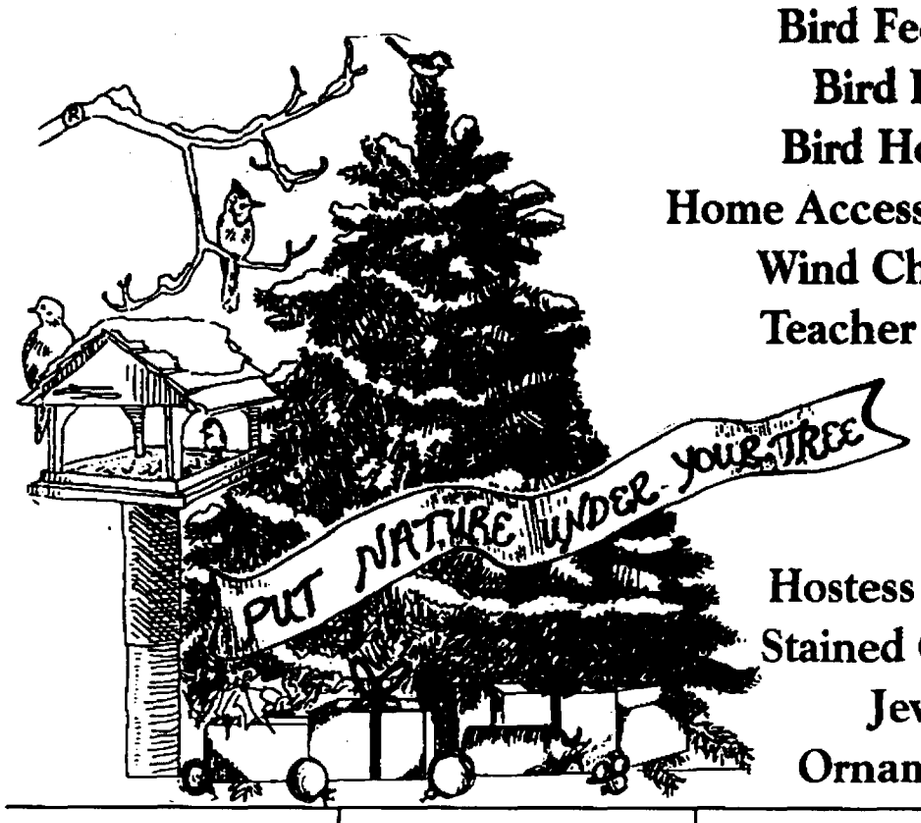
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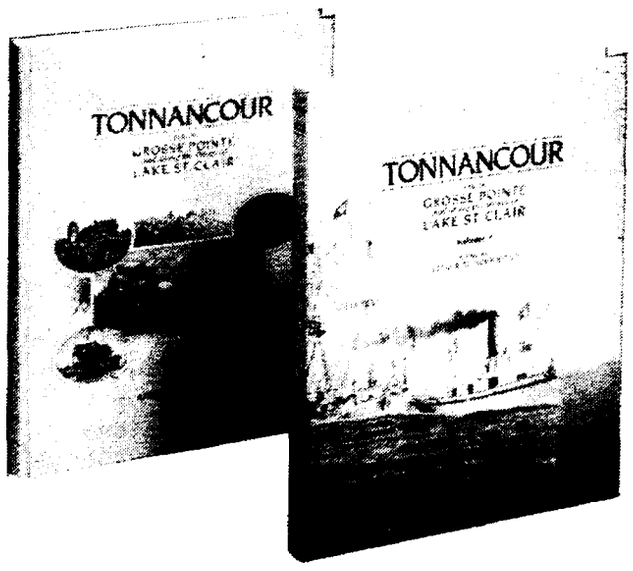
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Let the holidays make you feel like a kid again!

Think back to when you were a child. The holidays were great. You got a lot of gifts, you were allowed to stay up late, and you could eat lots of cookies and candy. It definitely was something to look forward to.

Now, as an adult, you have to buy lots of gifts (usually going beyond your budget), you stay up too late because you hardly have the time to do it all (leading to stress and fatigue), and if you eat lots of cookies and candy, you gain weight. It becomes a time of year that many adults dread. After all, who wants to be broke, stressed-out and fat?

The holidays may be more fun for children than adults, but it doesn't have to be that way. It can be a time of year that adults look forward to with as much enthusiasm — or even more — as little ones. How can this be? It's easy; it just takes advance planning. The old saying is really true: A little planning goes a long way.

Gift-giving, an integral part of the holiday season, tends to be a major cause of aggravation and stress. It doesn't have to be. You may feel that you have to spend a lot of money on a gift for it to be appreciated. That's simply not true. A really meaningful gift is one that comes from the heart, not the wallet.

Some of the most appreciated gifts don't cost much at all. They usually require more thought than cash. How about a poem, story or play written especially for or about the recipient? You can't find that at a department store. And, it's definitely something he or she won't have already. Or, how about making something on your own, like a poster or collage of photographs. You even can make your own Christmas card or design the wrapping paper. The possibilities for creative gift-giving are endless. The only requirements are imagination and effort.

However, if you choose the more conventional approach to gift-giving — shopping in stores — you still can avoid overspending. Just start early, and finish early. Think about what you want to get the recipient first, and then go out to look for it.

Often, you end up spending too much money because you wait until the last possible moment to buy gifts. You wander aimlessly around crowded malls, bumping into other aggravated holiday shoppers, and when you're totally disgusted, you grab the first overpriced thing that you see and give it as a gift — whether it's appropriate for the recipient or not. Is there anything joyous about that?

Taking care of gifts early will cut your potential for stress greatly. The extra time you have can be focused on other holiday necessities: making arrangements with relatives, writing out cards, baking, cooking, decorating and so on. Do all of this with a smile on your face. It's supposed to be fun, and it can be — if you adopt that joyous attitude you had when you were younger.

Of course, you had no responsibilities when you were little. Stress was not in your vocabulary. However, for adults, stressful situations are sometimes unavoidable. When they are, don't give in. Meditation is an excellent form of relaxation, as is exercise. You can get rid of a lot of aggression with a 20-minute run around the neighborhood. You also can get rid of a lot of calories, which will solve the problem of putting on those extra "holiday" pounds.

If you're someone who gets stressed out during the holidays, why not try a different approach? Start preparing early, pace yourself, laugh, smile, sing and simply enjoy yourself as you go along. You never know — Christmas could take on a whole new meaning for you!

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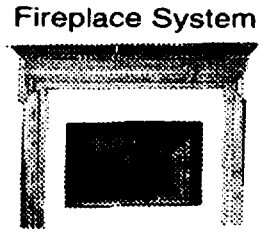
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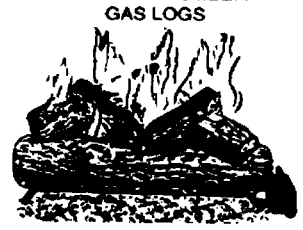
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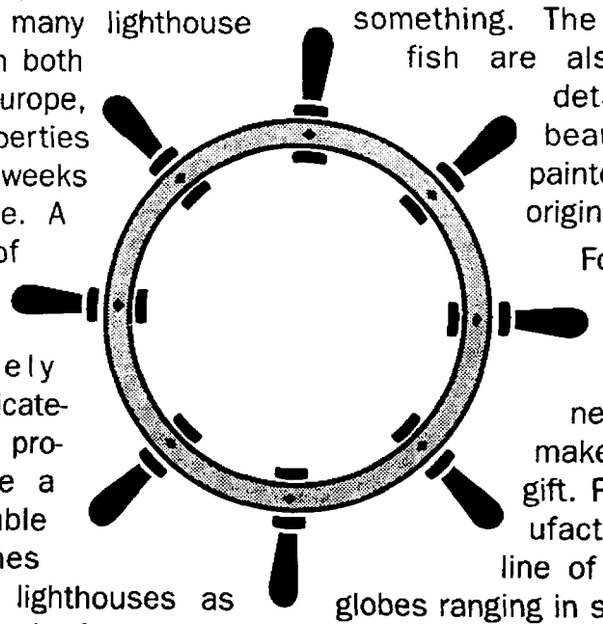
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Gift ideas for the boat lover

With less than six weeks left until Christmas, shoppers all over are searching for that perfect gift for friends and family. Instead of the usual gift, give something that means more by being more personal which in turn makes it more enjoyable.

For the lighthouse collectible connoisseur there are two very nice, well made lines. Harbour Liahts, a very popular limited edition line, has many lighthouse sculptures from both the US and Europe, with some properties retiring within weeks of their release. A second line of lighthouses by Scaasis, are conservatively priced, also intricately detailed, and provide the novice a great memorable gift. Both lines have Michigan lighthouses as well as many nearby Great Lakes lighthouses.



For the corporate executive that has to be in the office on a bright sunny day but wishes they were on the water, a desk set with cowl vent clock or a cleat paperweight make great gifts to remind him of summer fun.

Jewelry is the perfect gift for the female boater. Every woman loves a gift of gold. There are sailboat earrings to dolphin bracelets to propeller charms. Perfect for that special someone.

Brass has always been a big favorite with boaters, whether for the boat or house. A few suggestions of brass items are porthole mirrors, wooden and brass ship wheels, barometers, propeller clocks, bells, and much, much more. All of these are great for gifts or as usable fixtures on boats. If you're looking for something practical, another great gift idea is insulated glasses and mugs with lighthouses or ships wheel emblems that are great for use on boats. No need to worry about breakage when cruising Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes.

From out West comes Bia Skv Carvers. Big Sky manufactures coffee tables and hand crafted fish. The coffee tables range in design from an oak carved trout stream, inlaid into a shadow box construction and covered with glass, to an ocean seashore. Just the right item to tie off that onrr room in the house missing that something. The handcrafted fish are also intricately detailed and beautifully hand painted to species original look.

For that hard to buy for son, daughter, niece or nephew, globes make a wonderful gift. Renloale manufactures a full line of quality world globes ranging in size from a 6" desktop to a large 32" floor stand furniture piece. For the nautical enthusiast, there even is a desktop model with a barometer and thermometer inset in the wood base.

For the person looking for a little added decoration to a den or kitchen, colorful window panels make a unique gift. Styles range from beautifully etched glass lighthouses or sailboats to fresh Michigan wildflowers pressed between the panes.

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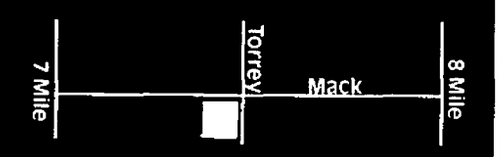
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10 Tips for creative gift giving

By Lillian Vernon, Founder of the Lillian Vernon Catalogs

1. Think carefully all year long about what people really want, and jot down ideas as they come to mind.

2. Keep a list, and when you come across something on the list, shop early — even if it's not near Christmastime.

3. Start a gift hideaway, and buy a little at a time. This will save you from having to do all your shopping at the last minute.

4. Start wrapping gifts as you get them, so you won't have to fuss with them all at once — and you'll have more time to enjoy the holidays.

5. Buy decorative baskets or tins, and fill them with soaps, potpourri, candies or homemade cookies.

6. Sentimental gifts can be very meaningful and lots of fun too. Put old family photos in beautiful frames.

7. Write your family history in a bound book, which is sure to be treasured for generations.

8. Create a special event — a luncheon, dinner, theater outing or day spent together — a gift of yourself.

9. Use ornaments, especially personalized ones, as gift tie-ons. They'll delight everyone!

10. For a gift that won't fit under the tree, like a bicycle, paste a picture of it into a card or box.



This Santa apron from the Lillian Vernon catalog puts you in the holiday spirit to bake homemade Christmas cookies.

Refreshing alternatives give the holidays new flavor

Here are three refreshing cocktails that provide a delicious alternative to the standard holiday beverages — Blackberry Iced Tea, Concord Club and Concord Cocktail. These inviting drinks are made with Mogen David Concord or Blackberry Wine for an extra burst of flavor for cocktails or your favorite holiday meals.

Blackberry Iced Tea
Makes 1 serving

Fill a tall (16-ounce) glass with ice and add:
- 3/4 cup (6 ounces) Mogen David Blackberry Wine
- 3/4 cup (6 ounces) cold, unsweetened iced tea
- 1 tablespoon grenadine
- 1 tablespoon lime or lemon juice

Garnish with a slice of lime or lemon.

Concord Club
Makes 1 serving

Fill a tall (16-ounce) glass with ice and add:
- 3/4 cup (6 ounces) Mogen David Concord Wine
- 3/4 cup (6 ounces) club soda or sparkling water

Garnish with a cherry or lemon wedge.

Concord Cocktail
Makes 1 serving

Fill a tall (16-ounce) glass with ice and add:
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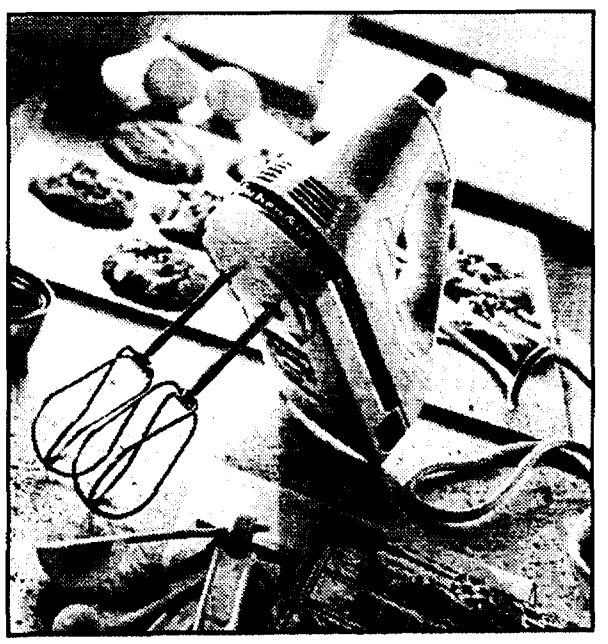
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Christmas-Cookie tradition — Grandma Bea's sugar cookies

One of my fondest childhood memories was watching my Grandma Bea make sugar cookies. She had a huge crockery bowl and a wooden spoon. For Grandma Bea, making cookies was a long, arduous process. She would roll out the dough and let me cut the cookies out with the tin cookie cutters. We would bake them, and after they cooled, we would decorate them with frosting and sugar. The final step was to carefully thread string through the tops of the cookies, so they could hang on the tree.

I don't know how it happened, but now I'm the grandma! I also love to bake and decorate sugar cookies with my grandchildren. I use my Grandma Bea's recipe and add a few tricks of my own. The big crockery bowl is still in use, but the old wooden spoon has been retired to make way for my powerful KitchenAid Electronic Sensing hand mixer. I whip up the batter in no time at all, thanks to the mixer's superstrong motor and electronic sensor that doesn't bog down with heavy mixtures and provides just the right consistency.

My grandchildren love the decorating trick I've added to the recipe. After we have cut the cookie shape, we cut an extra hole and fill it with crushed hard candy. When the cookies bake, the candy melts like colored glass. We still hang the cookies on the tree as ornaments, but now they glow like stained-glass windows.



For thick Christmas-cookie dough, trade in the traditional wooden spoon for a high-tech KitchenAid hand mixer with a strong motor and an electronic sensor to prevent the beaters from bogging down with heavy mixtures.

Stained-Glass Window Cookies

- 1 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 21/2 cups flour
- Crushed hard candy, sorted by color
- Aluminum foil

In a large bowl, beat the butter with the recommended KitchenAid hand mixer until softened; then add the sugar, and beat until fluffy. Add the milk and vanilla, and blend. Gradually beat in the flour. Form the cookie dough into a disc, wrap, and chill for at least an hour.

Roll the chilled dough out on a lightly floured surface. Use a lightly floured cookie cutter to cut shapes and a small round cookie cutter to make the holes. Place the shapes on a foil-lined cookie sheet. Add about 1/2 teaspoon of the crushed candy to the hole. Bake the cookies in a 375-degree oven for about 8 minutes. Let the cookies cool on the foil for about 10 minutes. Peel off the foil.

Colleen Miner appears regularly on television news programs across the country. Her cookbooks "Together in the Kitchen" and "Treat Yourself" are filled with recipes that put a modern twist on traditional family favorites.

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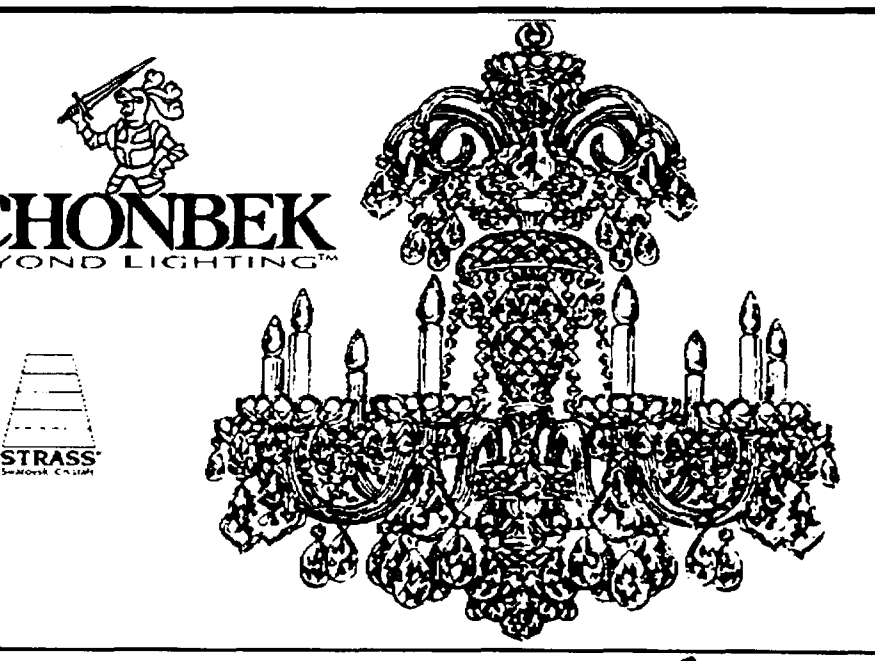
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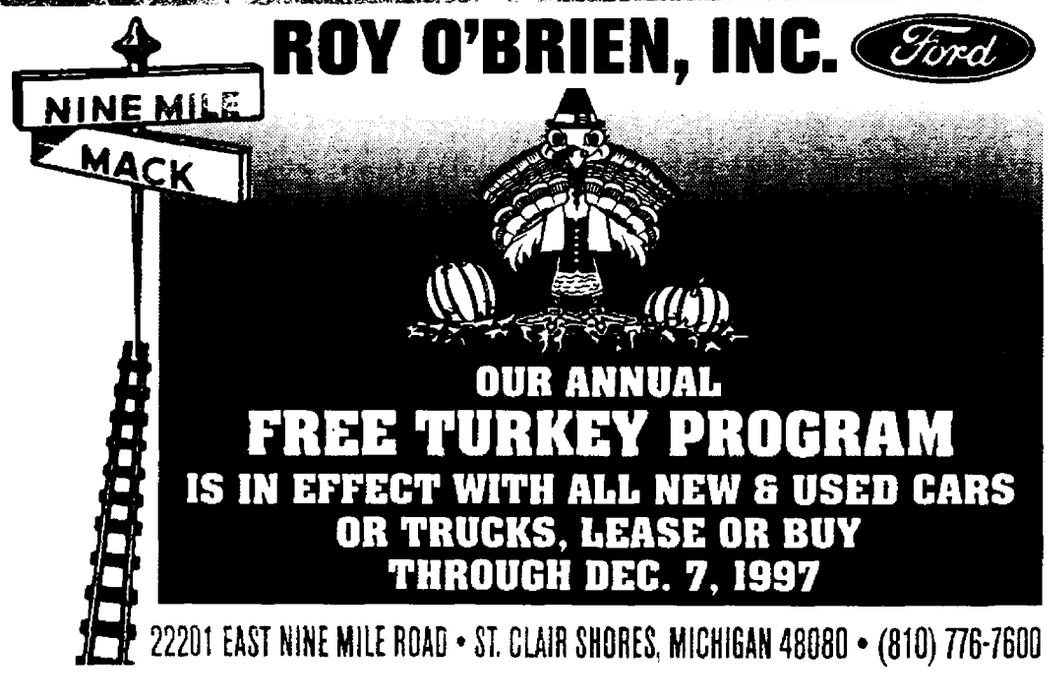
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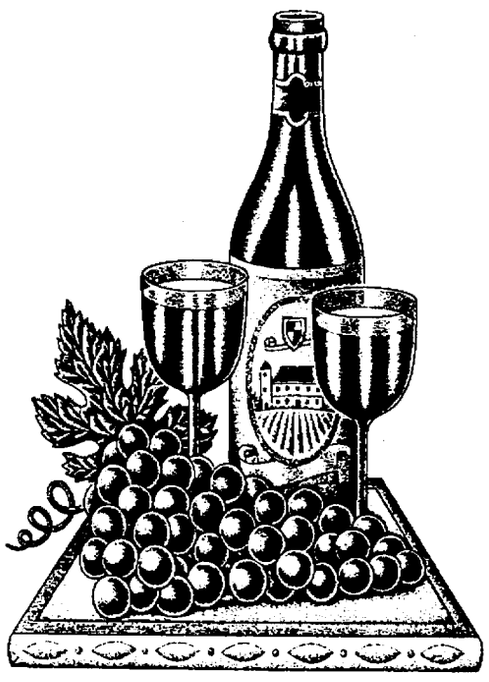
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A special occasion traditionally is celebrated with a champagne toast. Many people enjoy having wine with their dinner. Doctors even say that a glass of red wine a day can reduce the risk of heart attack.

With wine beginning to play a greater role in everyday life, you probably have several people on your holiday gift list who want to learn more about it. An informative book may be the perfect present for them.

To help everyone from the novice to the connoisseur, "101 Essential Tips: Wine" (Dorling Kindersley) offers information on everything from different grape varieties and the various types of wine to how to assess wine and proper storing and preparation methods. This pocket-size reference guide puts information at people's fingertips, giving them quick answers to their questions.

One major concern many people have is knowing what type of wine to serve with a meal. According to "101 Essential Tips: Wine," balance is the key. Food and wine need to complement — not overpower — each other. Neutral food is best with fine wine. When possible, regional food should be teamed with its local wines. However, personal preference should be the deciding factor.

When planning a meal, people can use these basic guidelines:

Dressed salads — If there is lemon or vinegar in the dressing, the wine should be acidic to balance it. Greens that are bitter also should be served with an acidic wine. Light, dry whites, which are more acidic than reds, suit salads. Sauvignon blanc is a good choice.

Fish dishes — The sauce fish is cooked in or served with makes all the difference when selecting a wine for the meal. Creamy sauces need high acidity and effervescence, so choose dry whites. However, fish cooked in red wine will taste good with a red wine. Oak-aged Chardonnay is a good match for smoked fish.

Egg dishes — The effervescence of sparkling wine is the perfect foil to the soft texture of egg dishes, while at the same time not drowning out the eggs' subtle flavor.

Rich and creamy foods — Medium- to full-bodied white wines best match the creaminess of rich sauces. The buttery flavor of Chardonnay particularly complements buttery sauces. Avoid very fruity wines.

Hot and spicy foods — Ice-cold beer is a better match than wine for really spicy foods. However, if you want wine, sweetness sometimes proves a good contrast to spices. Try a Gewürztraminer.

Hearty fare — Following the golden rule of balance, a heavy meal should be teamed with an equally weighty red. A full-bodied, tannic wine, like Cabernet sauvignon, is an ideal match.

Fresh fruit — Fruits that are high in acid can make wines taste metallic and thin. In general, drink sweet white, late-harvest or sparkling wines.

Desserts — Sweets usually taste unpleasant with a very dry wine. Dessert wines are the obvious choice, but some argue that they're best enjoyed alone.

Cheese board — Sweet wine, especially Port, complements blue cheeses, and flavorful hard cheeses need full, rich wines. However, avoid heavy reds with soft cheeses. Very strong cheeses can overwhelm any wine.

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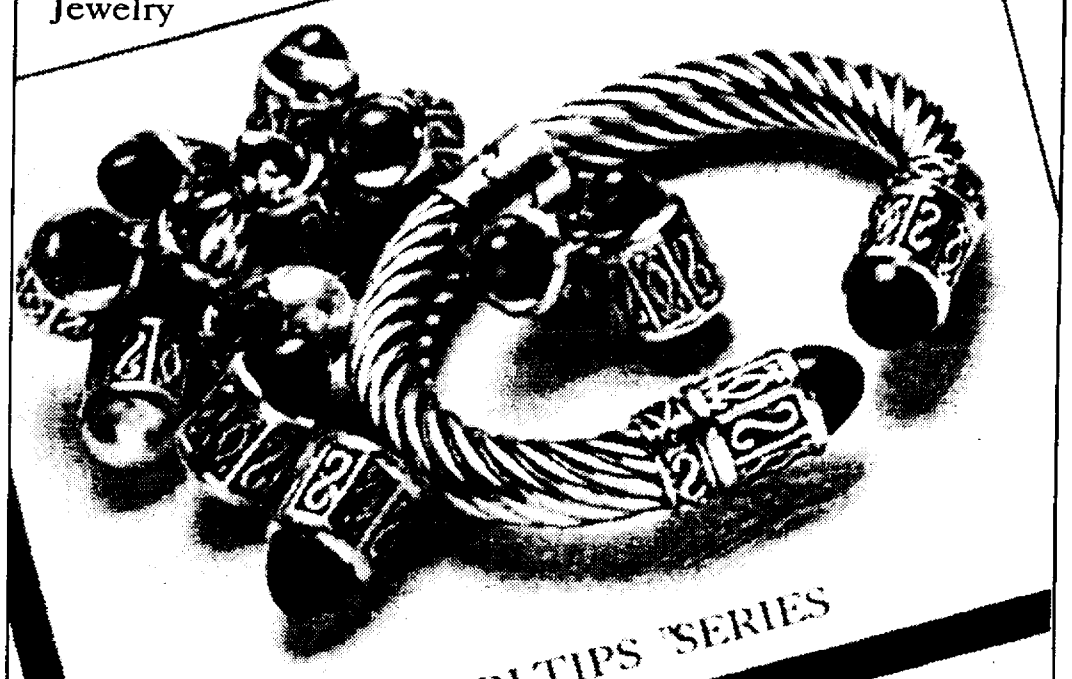
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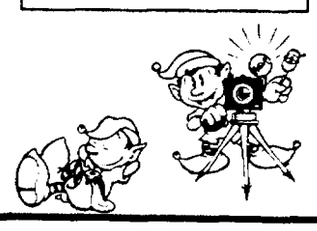
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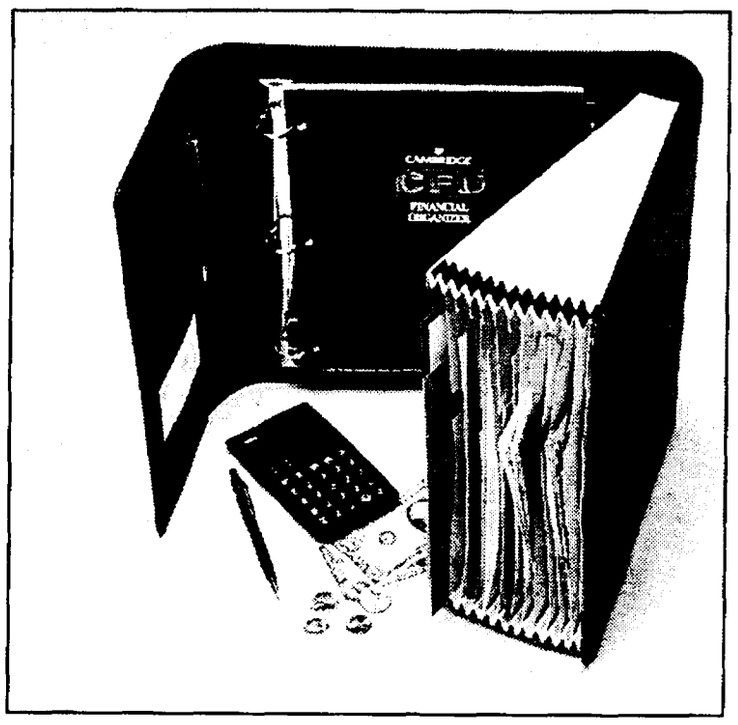
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Give the gift of organization to save time and money

Once again, the holiday season is in full swing and suddenly you find yourself in the middle of the hustle and bustle with your mind racing to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list. As simple as this desire is, it soon can turn into an overwhelming task.

You want your gift to be something that they will not only appreciate, but also be able to use throughout the year.

Get those on your list off on the right foot with the Cambridge Financial Organizer (CFO), which can help them fulfill one of the most popular New Year's resolutions — to get organized. And, getting organized now will save time and money in the upcoming year, especially with the critical tax season just around the corner.



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An all-in-one, record-keeping organizer, the CFO by Mead makes everything from paying bills and budget planning to keeping track of taxes and other financial records easy and hassle-free.

Even the most organized person can use some help consolidating all of the personal and financial information that piles up at home. Credit-card receipts, warranties, insurance policies, bank statements and pay stubs are only some of the paperwork that can quickly be filed — and forgotten — in drawers or shoe boxes. When it is time to find that stereo warranty or last year's tax returns, that convenient filing system is quickly turned into a jumbled mess of papers.

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A 12-pocket expandable storage file is also included for safe record keeping of everything from bank and insurance records to warranties and unpaid bills. The CFO contains extras like a business-card holder and a wrap-around cover with secure closures to keep everything in place and make storage easy.

The organizer is available in drugstores, discount stores, department stores and office superstores.

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• Drink at least eight 8-ounce glasses of water daily. Drink more if you are exercising or perspiring heavily.

• Have a "water plan." Space water consumption throughout the day. Keep a full pitcher, glass or water bottle handy to remind yourself.

• Increase water consumption if you are dieting or if you have a cold or the flu. You'll need more water in either case.

• Drink before you get thirsty. If you wait until you're thirsty, you're already slightly dehydrated.

• Drink extra water before, as well as after, vigorous activity or exercise. Figure on an extra 4 ounces for every 15 minutes of activity.

• Drink an extra glass of water for each cup of regular coffee or tea and each glass of an alcoholic beverage that you drink. Caffeine and alcohol dehydrate your body.

The company offers its "Hydration Brochure." To request a free copy, call 1-800-668-9131, or to learn more about your personal hydration needs, visit Brita's interactive Web site at http://www.brita.com.

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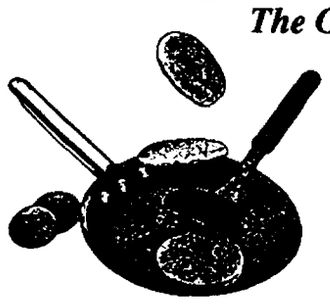


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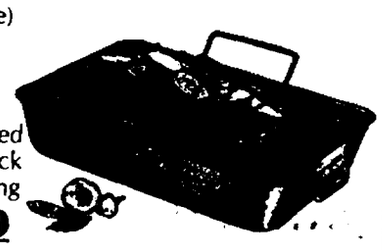
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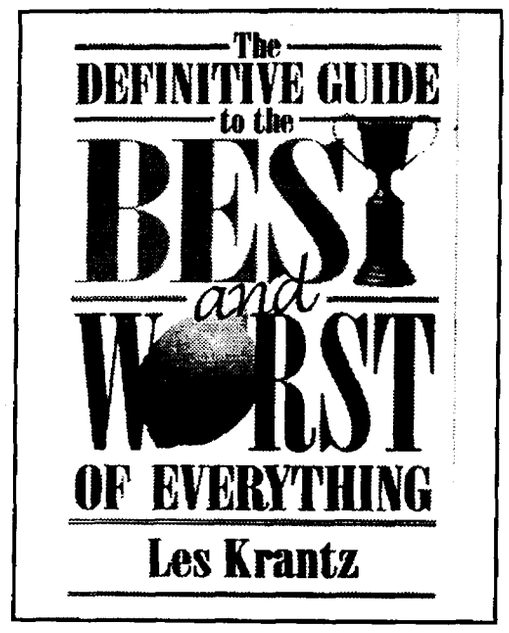
Where is the sunniest vacation spot in the South?

Whether someone on your gift list loves to travel, always craves the best or is just plain curious, there's a new book that may answer all of his or her questions.

An interesting read and a good resource, "The Definitive Guide to the Best and Worst of Everything" (Prentice Hall, $16.95), by Les Krantz, lists more than 8,000 categories of the best and worst from around the United States and the world. Top 10 and bottom 10 lists offer ratings and descriptions of just about everything, from where to get the best hamburger to how intelligent dogs are. Based on facts from reliable sources, the book is informative and useful, and its colorful commentary makes it entertaining.

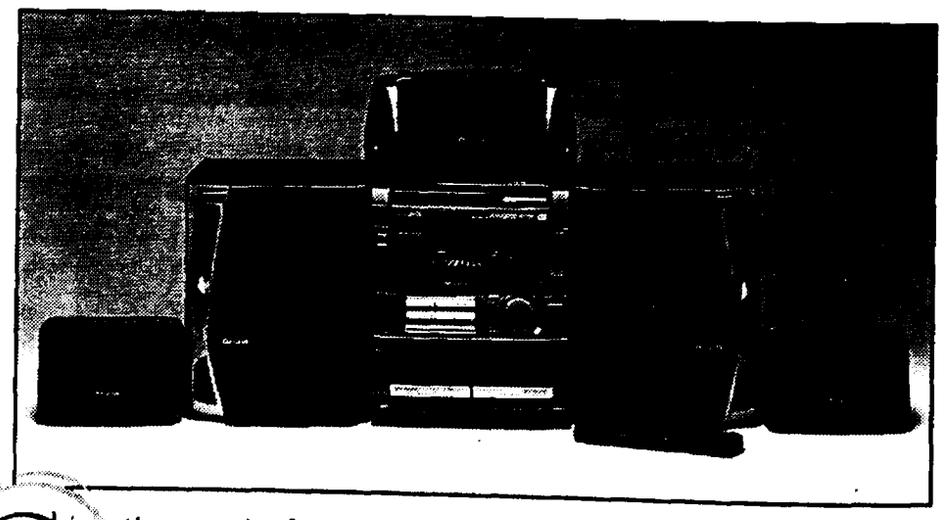
Krantz, who has written several reference books specializing in interpreting statistics, took his fact gathering seriously. He drew from credible sources, studies, citation analysis, critical acceptance, number of awards and even sales figures to write this 320-page guide. He also arranged everything alphabetically for easy reference, putting a wealth of information at your fingertips.

Available at bookstores nationwide, this book may be the perfect gift for a friend or loved one, and it's sure to make holiday shopping easier.



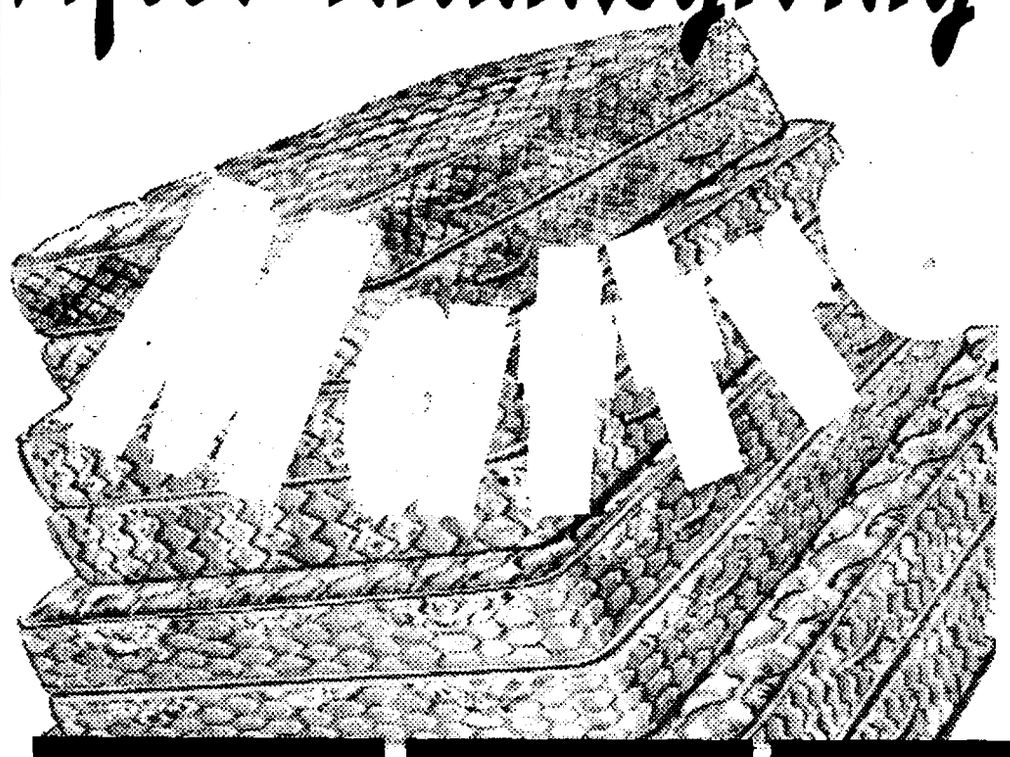
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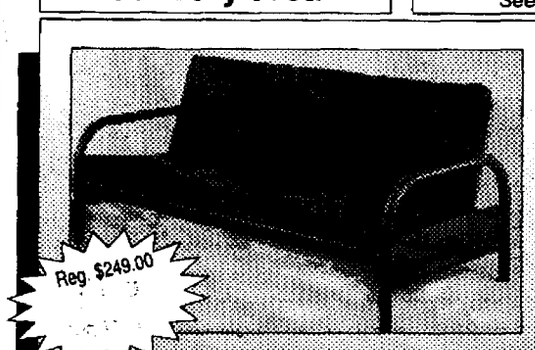
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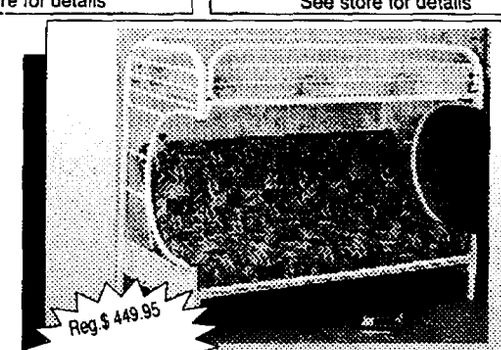
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Seeing responses like these would make Scrooge a believer of the adage "It is better to give than to receive." For those loved ones who spend time in their cars and are always on the go, check out your local mobile-electronics retailer.

As you're bouncing down the store aisles to the holiday music, here are a few things to keep an eye out for in mobile electronics. Directed Electronics has a Valet Remote Start (model 551R). The lucky recipient of this gift can start the car with the push of a button, then sit back and enjoy a cup of coffee in the house as the engine and interior of the car warm up.

This system is designed for fuel-injected, automatic-transmission vehicles and also contains a diesel mode. For those who need it at the office or places other than right outside the front door, it is reassuring to know that the high-frequency (434 MHz) remote transmitter gets excellent range. It's offered at a budget-friendly price of $149.

"Remote start is a great gift for the holidays," says DEI's Kennedy Gammage. "It makes winter much more comfortable and then proves its value all over again during the long, hot summer."

Directed Electronics also manufactures the Viper, an auto anti-theft security system. It is the system of choice for The New York City Transit Authority. After having vehicles broken into numerous times, The Transit Authority turned to the Viper. Vandalism and auto theft are down as a result. In addition to its reasonable price, its Nuisance Prevention Circuitry prevents false alarms. This is an excellent gift for the nice to deter the naughty.

Here's another gift-giving tip — the gift of music. Why not make your loved ones' traveling time more pleasurable?

"People always are looking to upgrade their car stereos. They spend 2½ hours or more each day in the car," says Pioneer's public relations specialist Jaed Arzadon. Pioneer's 50-disc changer offers endless music. It has special features like group play, which allows the listener to program and play different types of music together. The mood may call for jazz, from classic Billie Holiday to contemporary Kenny G. The group play can skip all other music genres besides the chosen one. It also keeps track of the tunes played most often and plays them on command with a feature called frequency play.

Another popular feature includes last position memory, which continues playing the CD from the same point on the last tune you were listening to before turning the engine off. Just a note — CDs make great stocking stuffers.

To enhance the sound of those CDs, Pioneer has a new subwoofer with conical domes and a nickel-coated spin finish. This one-piece cone construction allows efficient air movement, which facilitates clean, accurate bass sounds with less distortion. If you already have picked up the CD changer or are considering it, you will be happy to know that these subwoofers are built to accommodate smaller enclosures. Therefore, an ample amount of trunk space remains. These subwoofers come in 12-inch (model TSW1240C) and 10-inch (model 10SW1040C) sizes.

Car audio of this caliber is, as Arzadon points out, "a good way to experience music instead of just listening to it."

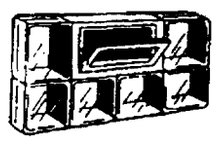
Pioneer also has a variety of detachable-face receivers with built-in security alarms. The owner activates the alarm upon removal of the detachable face. The alarm shrieks a high-pitched tone through the speakers, forcing the thief out of the vehicle. This alarm disturbs the thief instead of the sleeping neighbors.

As you think of your loved ones dashing through the snow, consider giving them a cellular telephone. They always will know that help or the sound of your voice is just a phone call away, no matter where they are. The Motorola Profile 700 has an easy-to-read display during the day or at night. It provides automatic storage of the last 10 numbers dialed. Compatibility with different flip-phone batteries is an additional plus. Sony's digital phone (model CM-Z-100) is one of the smallest digital handsets at 5.3 ounces. The phone fits right in the stocking with the candy canes. The handset offers 2½ hours of continuous talk time and 24 hours of standby time. Your gift is peace of mind.

An additional stocking stuffer-sized gift that allows vital communication is Sony's alphanumeric pager (model MP-7000). An on-screen keyboard with a memo notebook, alarm clocks and information folders are accessible with the touch of a finger. In addition to all those helpful features, it has a sizable memory, holding up to 40 numbers.

Remember, the holidays are for sharing and caring. Bear in mind that, while you are giving of yourself, it is OK to give to yourself also. Don't leave that mobile-electronics department without something for yourself!


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Homemade Gift Baskets can be a sweet treat for everyone on your shopping lists

Gift-giving can be one of the most enjoyable aspects of the holidays — and one of the most tiring. While you love to give gifts to your relatives and friends, walking through crowded stores searching for those "perfect" presents can take a lot out of you.

This year, get creative. Give themed gift baskets that you put together yourself. Whether baking utensils and a delicious recipe or fluted glasses and a refreshing beverage, your presents will touch the hearts of all who receive them — and help you get in and out of stores quickly.

When making these baskets, add color, aroma and flavor with citrus fruits. Navel oranges, lemons, grapefruit and tangerines, as well as mandarins and tangelos, will be available throughout the holiday season, according to Sunkist. These sweet, juicy citrus varieties, from California and Arizona, can be the perfect addition to brighten up your holiday gifts.

Here's a sweet idea from Sunkist that is sure to please the baker on your gift list:

A GIFT OF BAKING PLEASURE

A shiny baking sheet and cooling rack are the base of this present. From there, any number of baking items can be added — a holiday-colored oven mitt, wide cookie spatula, cookie jar. Arrange some Western-grown oranges and lemons in a small kitchen basket and enclose a recipe card for Lemon-Filled Star Cookies. Add some greenery and a festive bow, wrap everything in cellophane, and you've got a heartwarming gift.

LEMON-FILLED STAR COOKIES

Makes about 2 dozen double cookies

- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- Grated peel and juice of 1 Sunkist lemon (3 tablespoons juice)
- Thick Lemon Curd Filling, well-chilled (recipe follows)

Stir together flour, baking powder and salt.

In large bowl, cream together butter and sugar. Add egg, lemon peel and juice; beat well.

Gradually stir in dry ingredients, blending well.

Divide dough into three parts. Pat each into a thick round, and wrap well in plastic wrap; chill 30 to 45 minutes.

On lightly floured board, roll one-third of the dough at a time to 1/8-inch thickness. Cut with a lightly floured 3-inch star-shaped cookie cutter. Remove the center of half of the cookies with a 1-inch round cookie cutter.

Place star shapes on well-greased cookie sheets. Lightly sprinkle tops of cookies with additional sugar. Bake at 375 F for 7 to 8 minutes, or until lightly brown on edges (do not overbake).

Remove, and cool on wire racks.

To fill cookies: Spread a scant teaspoonful of Thick Lemon Curd Filling on the bottom side of each whole cookie; cover it with a cutout cookie, top side up. Let cookies stand a bit for the filling to set.

THICK LEMON CURD FILLING

Makes about 1 cup

- 3 egg yolks
- 3/4 cup sugar
- Grated peel of 1/2 Sunkist lemon
- Juice of 2 Sunkist lemons (6 tablespoons)
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine

In saucepan, lightly beat egg yolks; add remaining ingredients. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture thickens and boils, about 10 to 12 minutes. Cool, cover, and chill well.

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This holiday, de-stress yourself with A-room-atherapy

The holiday season is definitely a "season to be jolly," but, in essence, if the popular carol was to be rewritten by modern-day realists, it would read — "'tis the season to be stressed out!"

"Regardless of religion or how we choose to celebrate the holiday season, it cannot be denied that the love of fragrance is a common thread among all people," says Mary Cerjan, aromatherapy and home fragrancing brand manager for The Body Shop, the unconventional retailer of innovative cosmetics and fragrance. "We prize fragrance as a luxury; other societies prize it as a divine bridge between our world and the spiritual worlds."

Fragrance always has been central to magic and religions everywhere. In ancient Egypt, as in many other ancient cultures, it was initially forbidden for anything but sacred and royal use. Burning incense was offered to the gods, because it was pure and invisible; it was thought that the gods only nourished themselves on this most exquisite substance.

The Chinese believed that jasmine could clear an oppressive atmosphere and favored its use in the bedroom at night. In India, the wedding bed of a Hindu couple is often decorated with jasmine.

If this "exquisite food" called scent can be so therapeutic to the "gods," imagine the possibilities if we as mere mortals scented our surroundings.

"The Body Shop has taken a few lessons from history and has incorporated modern technology to develop a line of exquisite home-fragrancing options that are not only great-smelling, but beautiful to look at, reusable and, best of all, practical," says Cerjan.

It can be agreed that, today, the most popular way of scenting your home is by burning a fragranced candle. Quick and convenient? Yes! Effective? Of course! Visually enticing? Not always! This holiday, The Body Shop dresses up the ordinary candle with an ornate frosted red glass bowl, complete with a burnished-gold topper that screams neoclassic decadence.

Enter any location of The Body Shop, and you will find a delightful feast for the nose. Its concentrated home-fragrancing oils are based on natural essences derived from flower extracts, aromatic resins, balsams and synthetic fragrances; no alcohol is added. Apply it to your favorite method for home fragrancing — the effect: a long-lasting, gentle linger. Gold-laced botanical potpourris and tree ornaments scented with brandied apple, burnished iron aroma jars, and fragranced sachets are just a few of the "scentsational" delights ($3 to $18) that are perfect for gift-giving.

Don't know what to choose? There's no need to worry. Cerjan offers a few holiday tips to help add a little spice to every home this holiday season:

- Use potpourri to "lift" a room, particularly the bathroom. Fragrance sachets and aromables are great to freshen drawers and closets. This will evoke a lasting scent that will linger around the home for weeks.
- Add a tablespoon of the contents of brandied apple home fragrance aromable or potpourri to your vacuum bag to infuse your surroundings with a festive scent every time you clean.
- If you're planning a special evening for two, create a bit of Gothic romance and mystery in your environment by burning an assortment fragranced candle packaged in the wrought iron lantern.
- Need to add a little holiday cheer to that boring guest room? Create a bit of ambiance by filling a few of your favorite baskets or glass jars with beautiful, fragrant potpourri; place them around the room for an instant "lift."
- Tired of the same old party favors and hostess gifts? The brandied apple sachet, complete with gold tassel, is a rather royal and elegant alternative to jazz up a place setting — and a perfect way to say "thank you" to that special hostess.

If you really want to skip the stress and make your holiday shopping a breeze, take advantage of the retailer's personalized shopping service. Simply flip through The Body Shop's holiday catalog, which offers a full range of gift ideas designed to suit every taste and budget. Call 1-800-BODY-SHOP for your free copy.

When the holidays are not happy

While the holidays can be the happiest time of the year for many, for some, it is a time of dread. For individuals who feel alone, images of ideal "happy families" can heighten the feeling of loneliness. Those who have suffered a bereavement often feel a resurgence of grief at the holiday season. Those with family members spread across the country may have to make hard "choices" of whom to spend the holidays with, creating hurt feelings and guilt.

Even for individuals who enjoy the holidays, there are increased demands on time, energy and finances that can cause additional stress. In families where both parents work, there may be guilt that traditional holiday preparations cannot be made for their children, as was made for them when they were young.

With all these stressors in action, it is important to distinguish between the "holiday blues" and clinical depression. While they share some of the same symptoms and people use the term "depression" loosely in conversation, the two are very different entities and require different strategies to alleviate the depressed mood.

Clinical depression is a mood disorder that is caused by a chemical imbalance in the brain. While its cause and treatment lay in the brain's neurochemistry, life events may trigger a bout of depression in a susceptible individual. The stresses and strains of the holidays might trigger a true clinical depression.

Holiday blues are just what they sound like: feelings of sadness, anger and tiredness coming at a time when people are supposed to be filled with joy. And, because they are supposed to be filled with the holiday spirit, add guilt to the above list. It is a transient feeling that does not require medical treatment and may be minimized by following a few simple strategies.

A case of the holiday blues will pass, but the National Foundation for Depressive Illness (NAFDI) offers some suggestions to minimize the stresses of the holidays:

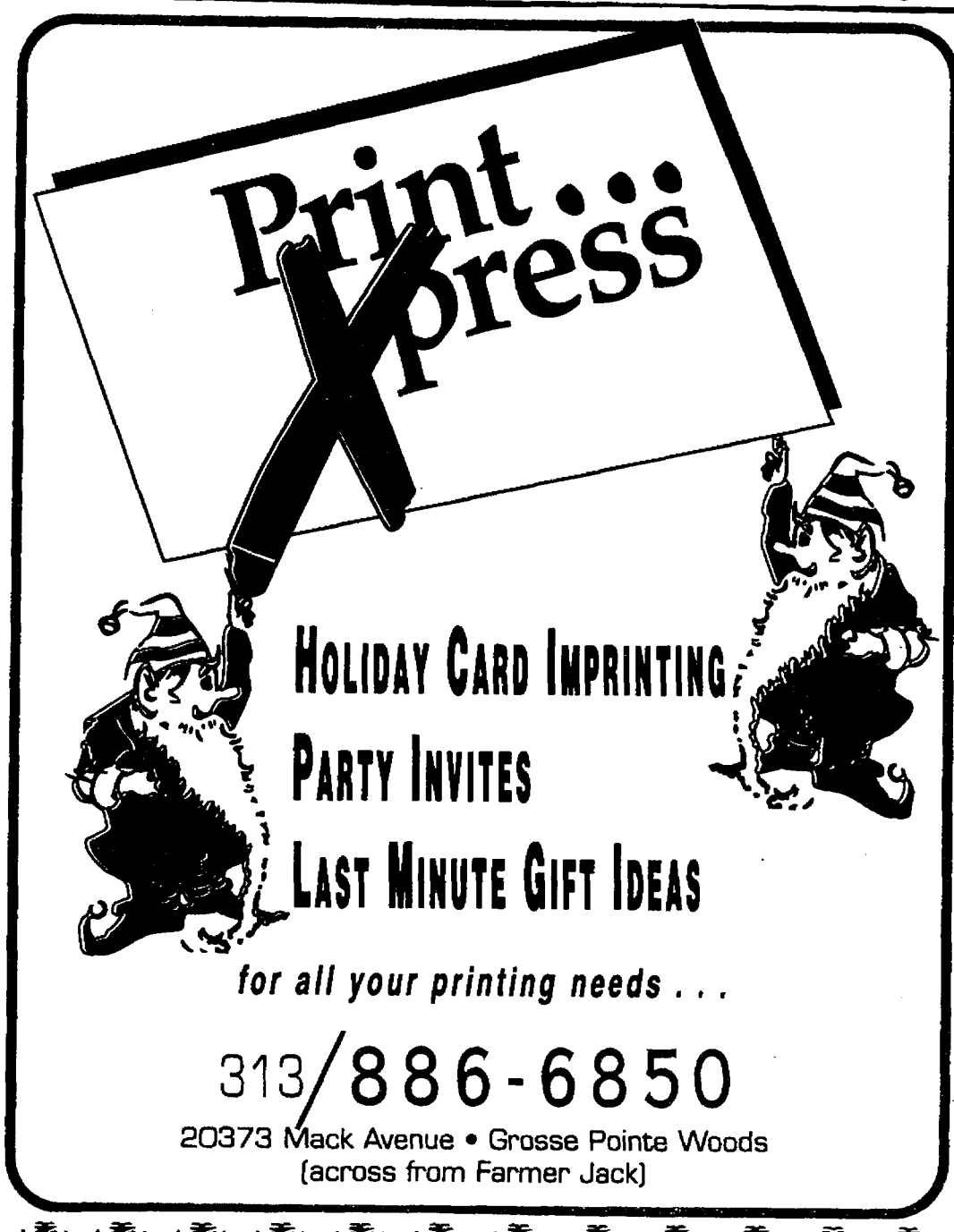
- Do not take on more activities than you can handle; be realistic about what additional holiday responsibilities you can comfortably accept.
- Maintain your normal sleeping, eating and exercising patterns as much as possible.
- Plan a holiday budget, and stick to it; do not overspend or run up large credit-card bills.
- Keep your alcohol intake moderate; alcohol is actually a depressant. If you have a drinking problem, get the support you need during this especially difficult period.

Far more serious than the holiday blues is when the stresses of the holiday season trigger or worsen true clinical depression. Those who have had depression before should watch for the symptoms; those who are a family member or friend of that person should watch for the signs. These include:

- depressed mood
- loss of interest in things you used to enjoy
- changes in appetite and/or weight (more or less)
- changes in sleeping patterns
- fatigue
- feelings of worthlessness
- recurrent thoughts of death or suicide

If you know you are susceptible to clinical depression, follow the above guidelines, and look for the symptoms. If you are experiencing these symptoms, go to the doctor. If you are experiencing these symptoms for the first time in your life, your doctor can assess whether you are suffering from clinical depression and advise you on effective treatments. Clinical depression is treatable in 80 percent of cases.

To learn more about clinical depression, call NAFDI's toll-free info line: 1-800-248-4344.



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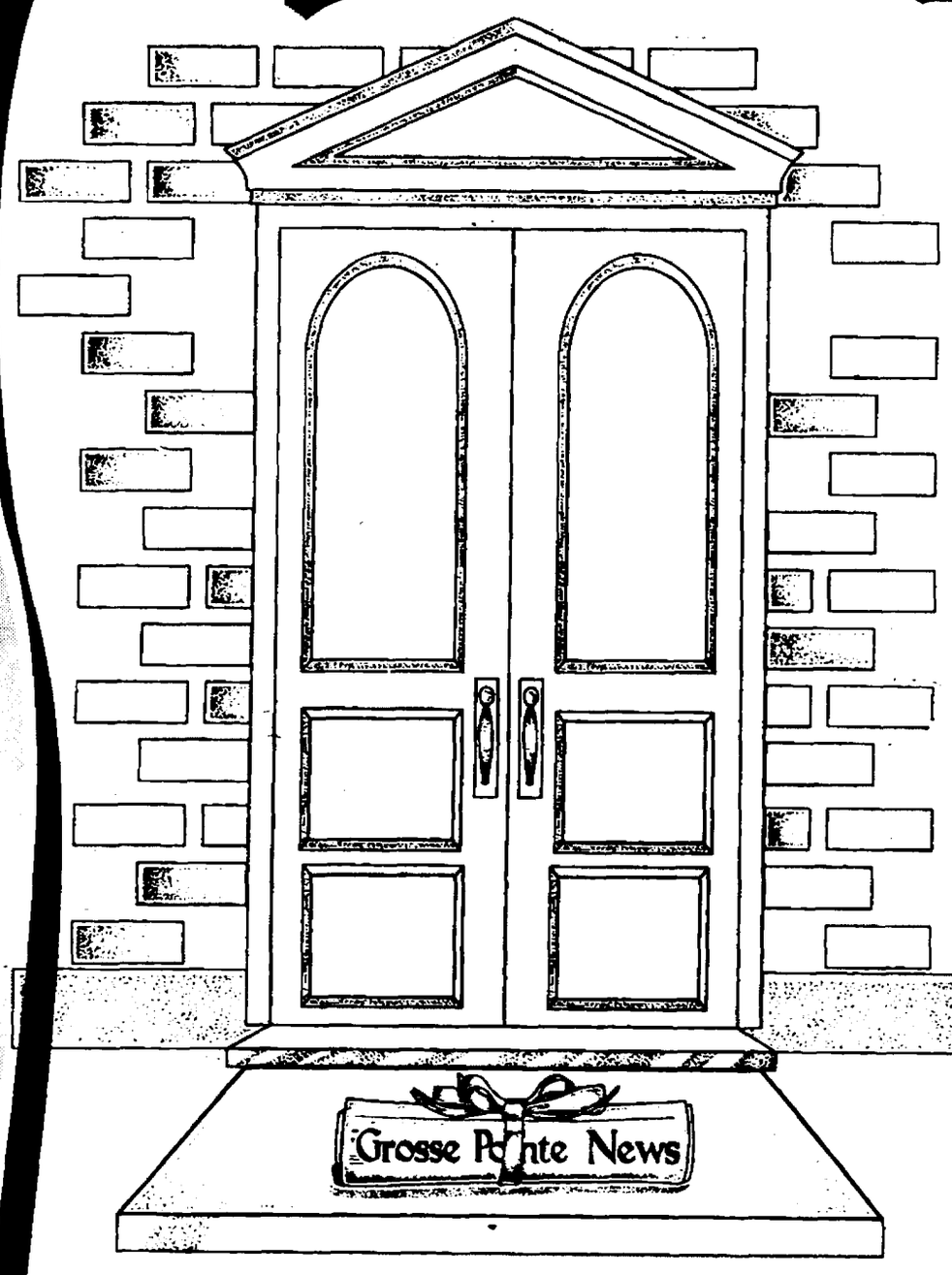
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Cultured Pearls Make a Happy Holiday

When you think of Christmas and the holiday season in general, you may envision cozy fires, warm family gatherings and, of course, all the eagerly awaited gifts underneath your fully dressed tree. Unfortunately, you may be suddenly awakened from this dream with long lines, last-minute shopping and other details you'd just as soon forget.

So, instead of adding stress to your holiday celebration with the mere thought of what gift that special someone in your life would cherish, appreciate and actually use, make it easy on yourself — surprise her with stunning cultured pearls. Always beautiful and elegant, the gift of cultured pearls can turn your Christmas memories into an overnight St. Nick success story.

Why cultured pearls? Because of their versatility, cultured pearls can be worn by every woman, making them the always-appropriate and cherished holiday gift. From lustrous single-strand necklaces to a black pearl ring to a pair of simple stud earrings, cultured pearls are incorporated into today's modern, as well as classic, jewelry. And, as beautiful as they are practical, cultured pearls lend their classic elegance and style to any woman's wardrobe.

So, now you know why cultured pearls are a perfect pleaser for your pretty princess, but how do you know you're getting the best bang for your buck? Knowing what elements determine cultured pearl quality will arm you with the knowledge you need to make a confident purchase.

Devin Macnow, executive director of the Cultured Pearl Information Center, suggests looking for the following elements as a guide in determining cost and quality:

Luster — This is the most important element to look for in cultured pearls. Luster refers to a combination of high surface brilliance of a pearl and a three-dimensional glow that seems to emanate from within the heart of a pearl. The more brilliant and reflective the surface of the pearl, the higher its luster and value.

Generally, the luster of a pearl is determined by the thickness of its nacre, the protective coating with which an oyster surrounds its original intruder or nucleus. Usually, the thicker the nacre, the more lustrous and durable the cultured pearl.

Surface — The second characteristic in differentiating fine- from poor-quality cultured pearls is determined by imperfections like dents, spots, scratches, bumps or blemishes, which are commonly found on a cultured pearl's surface.

Since it is extremely difficult and rare to find a blemish- and bump-free pearl, a cultured pearl possessing an almost perfect surface is very valuable.

Shape — Another cultured pearl quality factor, shape is most often thought of as round, but varies from round to off-round to asymmetrical. Just as it is rare to find a blemish-free cultured pearl, the same goes for finding a truly round cultured pearl, making a seemingly perfect symmetrical shape highly valuable.

And, although many consumers prefer a round cultured pearl, baroque and asymmetrical shapes are unique and every bit as appealing as their round counterparts.

Color — A cultured pearl quality that varies greatly, color is a personal preference for gift-givers. Cultured pearl color is a combination of body color and overtone, which makes up the many different colors you may see on the market today.

Common body colors are white, gray and black. Overtone colors, occurring by whims of nature, may include pink and cream (for white body color), blue (for gray body color), and green or purple (for black body color). A rose/white-colored cultured pearl tends to be the most desirable.

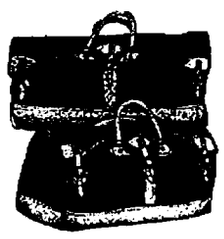
Although color, varying from green/black to pink/white to blue/gray, is considered a cultured pearl quality factor, you also may consider which color is best suited for a person's skin tone. A white/rose color tends to flatter lighter complexions, while cream tones are best for darker complexions.

Size — Measured in millimeters, size varies depending on its origin. Japanese Akoya cultured

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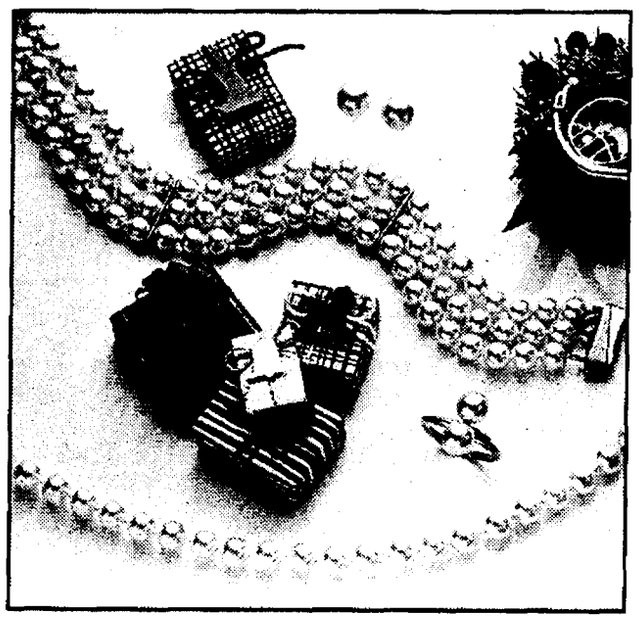
pearls, for example, range in size from 3 millimeters to 10 millimeters, while South Sea cultured pearls range in size from 14 millimeters to 19 millimeters.

It can take up to three years to grow a 7-millimeter cultured pearl and up to six years to grow a 20-millimeter cultured pearl. Size, like color and shape, is a matter of personal preference.

In addition to these five qualities, consumers also should pay attention to the cultured pearl's price, which is every bit as important as its physical properties. Knowing what prices to expect will give you a benchmark by which you can compare different values for different types of cultured pearls.

Generally in today's market, a good-quality 16-inch strand of cultured pearls, from 7 millimeters to 7.5 millimeters, should be no less than $1,500. A 16-inch white South Sea cultured pearl necklace, with an average 14-millimeter pearl size, on the other hand, will cost upwards of $100,000. Large Tahitian black pearls more than 12 millimeters in size usually retail at $70,000 for a necklace.

On the less pricey side, you still can find much fine-quality cultured pearl jewelry for less than $500. Seven- to 7.5-millimeter cultured pearl studs, for example, usually retail for around $150, making them a more affordable gift option.



Surprise the special woman in your life with a gift of cultured pearls this holiday. Whether a necklace, bracelet, ring or earrings, cultured pearls can add elegance to every woman's wardrobe.

Other cultured pearl jewelry less than $500 may include pendants, brooches and rings. Even some beautiful freshwater cultured pearl necklaces can go for as little as $200, making owning cultured pearls a little easier on your wallet.

Using these guidelines is a smart and easy way for anyone to select from the many different kinds of cultured pearl jewelry available this holiday season. Whichever style you choose, the gift of cultured pearls will create a lifetime of happy holiday memories.

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Whatever the case, it is always a treat to find the stockings filled with gifts on Christmas morning. What's inside can range from traditional to wacky. Stocking stuffers that children of all ages will enjoy include:

- apples and oranges
- body lotions and soaps
- books
- bubbles
- calendar
- candy and nuts
- cassette tapes
- coffee mug
- cosmetics
- crayons and markers
- dolls
- flashlight and batteries
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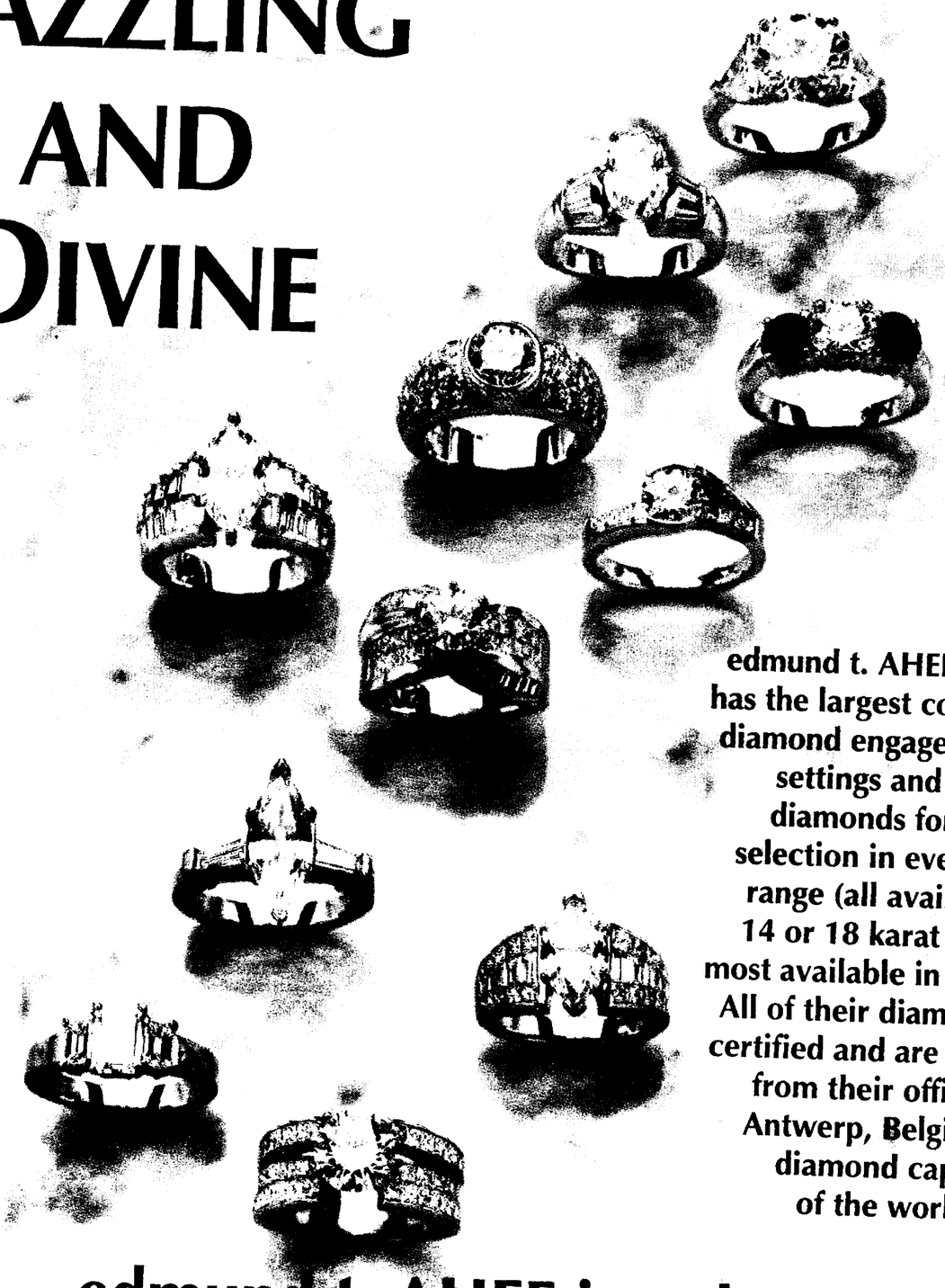
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