

North high band part of city-suburb bridge-building effort

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

In the spirit of the holiday season, the Grosse Pointe North high school symphonic band has joined other city and suburban singers and musicians in the recording of a CD that not only benefits youth programs but also serves as a bridge builder.

"What a Wonderful World," is the second release by Detroit Police Chief Isaiah McKinnon and Friends. Tapes and CDs are being sold to east side

residents at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods. All proceeds benefit the Police Athletic League.

The recording is a selection of popular, soulful, spiritual and Broadway inspired music recorded this fall around the Detroit area.

"This is a wonderful project and a great way to bridge the gap between suburban and inner city schools," said David Cleveland, band director at North. He was approached last fall by

Cathy Mortiere, a Detroit police officer and a member of the Blue Pigs Band. She asked Cleveland's student musicians to perform two numbers for the CD: "All I Ask of You" from "Phantom of the Opera" and "John Williams in Concert."

Both North selections were recorded in the band room at the high school.

Mortiere showed up at one of our concerts last fall," Cleveland said. "She was impressed. They brought all

their equipment to us and Chief McKinnon sat in on the recording session."

Mortiere, who not only performs on the CD, but also serves as its producer and publicity person, said the second annual release is all part of Mayor Dennis Archer and Chief McKinnon's move toward bringing the city and suburbs together.

Selections on the recording include a piano solo by Mort Crim and an original recording by Devin Scillian,

both of WDIV-TV; The Cass Technical High School Madrigal Singers; the Word of Faith Choir and Word of Faith Orchestra; and the Courville Concert Choir; and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Band.

"This is a positive experience for the kids as well as the adults," Mortiere said. "We'd like to do this again, but who knows?"

The project is sponsored in part by 16 area towing companies and businesses.



Merry Christmas!

WEEK AHEAD

Wednesday, Dec. 24

Christmas Eve, as well as the first day of Hanukkah, an eight-day festival of lights, begins today. Offices of the Grosse Pointe News close at 3 p.m. and reopen at 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 26.

Thursday, Dec. 25

Merry Christmas.

Friday, Dec. 26

Due to the holidays, the deadline for items to be considered for the features, sports and news section is today at 3 p.m.

The third annual Grosse Pointe North-Grosse Pointe South alumni hockey game begins at 7 p.m. at city arena. South players should call Joan Tucker at (313) 343-0301. North players should call Brad Marshall at (313) 886-6975.

Saturday, Dec. 27

The Baldock Mountain Ramblers present "A Christmas Corral" this evening beginning at 9 p.m. in the Sunrise Sunset Saloon, 15222 Charlevoix in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 822-6080.

Sunday, Dec. 28

Guitarist Chris Birg performs at The Daily Grind Coffee House, 20962 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, from 7 to 9 p.m. Call (313) 417-0020.

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Photos by Reah Siliars

A Christmas wonderland

Once again, picking out one or two homes to feature on the front of the Christmas Day issue of the Grosse Pointe News was a difficult choice.

For the first time, furniture mogul Art VanElslander's Grosse Pointe Shores home, above, made the front page of the News. A single shot hardly does justice to this French chateau built several years ago along the lake in the Shores. Not a spot on the property missed a sparkling touch, not to mention a magnificent Nativity scene (see Page 1B). It's definitely worth a drive-by.

We also chose the home at 19501 Mack, below, in the Woods, which features candy canes, candles, a chimney-high Christmas tree in lights and thousands of other illuminations.

Honorable mentions include 1098 and 1142 Grayton in the Park and 425 Colonial in the Shores. So enjoy the holidays and go for a ride. Merry Christmas!



New disposal company, same old questions for incinerator

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

Representatives of the Grosse Pointes-Clinton Refuse Authority are optimistic that a new waste hauling contract will be worked out soon with City Management, despite the sale of the company to USA Waste Services, Inc.

"We think we have a deal," said Mike Kenyon, Grosse Pointe Shores village manager and board member of the Authority.

Lew Nevins, vice president of investors relations for USA Waste, said until the sale is formally closed, said he couldn't officially comment on the negotiations between the Authority and City Management. Anthony Soave, the sole owner of City, whose waste hauling empire extends throughout the state of Michigan, sold all waste divisions of City Management Holdings. It was one of the largest independent companies in the solid waste industry in the country.

According to the press release announcing the transactions, both parties expect the final closing to occur sometime in early 1998 and is subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals. The sale is estimated by industry sources at \$750 million.

Representatives from the Authority have been attempting to renegotiate its waste disposal contract with City for several months now. Proposals and counter-proposals have been submitted, with no final deal being hammered out.

Jim Sharp, vice president for governmental relations for City Management, said the sale will not affect current negotiations because it was a stock only sale. Representatives of the company do not comment on ongoing negotiations.

The Authority is nearly bankrupt and will be converted to a solid waste transfer sta-

tion early next year. City Management currently

charges the Authority about \$36 a ton to dispose of the ash produced by the incinerator. That price is well above current market prices that hover between \$20-\$25 a ton. The Authority has been dipping into its reserves to pay for burning and disposing of refuse delivered to the firm by the five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, Mount Clemens and Clinton Township.

Recently, contract negotiators from City approached the Authority with a take it or leave it offer about the same as what the Authority currently pays. Representatives from the Authority responded with a counterproposal and has yet to get a response to that offer. Ed Hoover of City Management did not return phone calls.

Soave said that the decision to sell was predicated on finding a buyer "who shared our commitment to superior customer service, leading edge technology and an unwavering responsibility to its communities and people."

Soave started City Management almost 30 years ago and has several other business interests in the state. He is a Grosse Pointe Farms resident.

"I can say with confidence that USA Waste is the one company which met each of these benchmarks (in service)," he said.

Last month, representative of the Authority voted 7-2 to convert the incinerator into a solid waste transfer facility. City Management, said the sale will not affect current negotiations because it was a stock only sale. Representatives of the company do not comment on ongoing negotiations. The Authority is nearly bankrupt and will be converted to a solid waste transfer sta-

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Judy Snyder



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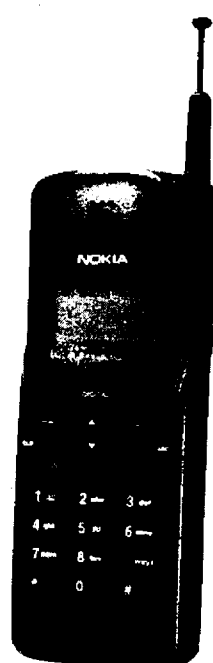
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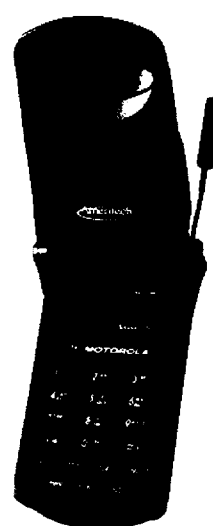


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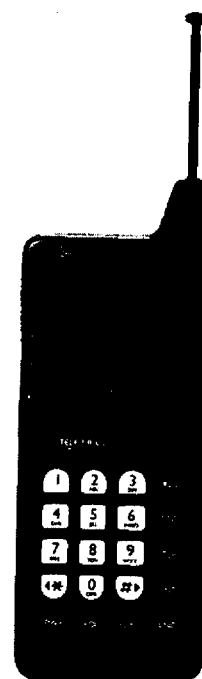
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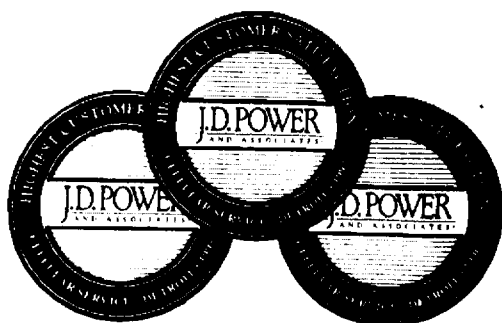
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Fox Creek post office delivers

Ted Sims, branch manager of the Fox Creek post office, spent last Tuesday delivering mail in Grosse Pointe Park after employees of the station met his challenge to be the top fundraiser in the annual federal fundraising effort.

Sims promised Fox Creek employees that he would carry a route in the Park and Harper Woods and "delivered" on that vow after post office workers in the 481 and 482 zones raised over \$600,000 for charities nationwide.

"These are very generous individuals," said Linda Butler, customer advocate of the Fox Creek station. "They do try to get involved in the community. It is a good cause."

Butler said the fundraiser is a part of a federal program that raises money for hundreds of different charities. Fox Creek employees came in first place in Category B, comprising branches with 50 to 99 employees.

Photo by Robb Sillars

SEMCOG traffic study offers solutions to Woods traffic woes

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

A SEMCOG study of two high-volume traffic areas along Morningside and Vernier found that while congestion in the two areas was high, they could not be classified as "high-crash" areas — a conclusion that disappointed some Woods residents.

The report, which offered possible solutions to traffic problems along Vernier and Morningside, was read at the Dec. 15, Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting. The report was commissioned as part of an ongoing effort by Woods officials to alleviate the traffic congestion along those streets.

SEMCOG, a coalition of southeast Michigan municipal governments, has traffic engineers who are experts in traffic problems. The group also is in no way beholden to the Woods council, so its conclusions can be considered free from bias, which is why the council elected to use the group's consultants.

In addition, as a member, costs to taxpayers would be minimal.

The Woods' new traffic safety officer, Dan Koerber, presented the SEMCOG report, which stated that the two areas studied could not be classified as "high crash" areas.

But to avoid having the problem get worse, some suggestions were made by the SEMCOG traffic study engineers. The recommendations were presented in order of cost and practicality.

To help alleviate the traffic problems around Vernier and Morningside, the traffic engineers first suggested that the city maintain and upgrade the paving markings and traffic signs in the area. This will inform motorists of what is legally allowed.

The second suggestion was to have stricter traffic enforcement of the existing traffic laws. In other words, have officers in the area to catch any

traffic law violators. It also suggested that the city and the schools engage in driver education efforts to inform the public about safety problems and how to avoid accidents.

The third suggestion was possibly revising existing traffic signal timing plans as well as traffic signal hardware. This, said Koerber, is expensive, and given the location of other traffic lights along Vernier, difficult.

The fourth suggestion was the placement of a traffic signal at Vernier and Morningside. Koerber said that could cost over \$25,000, and before the city could do that, it would have to prove that a traffic light was the best solution — better than education and the other suggested methods.

The fifth solution was construction of another entrance to North. The final suggestion was widening Vernier.

The report stated that the city should decide on a plan of action and stick with it. It is common to try the least intrusive and expensive ones first, before moving on to the more costly ones.

Any actions taken by the city, if proven successful, should be kept up.

As for the intersection of Morningside and Fairford, the location of Our Lady Star of the Sea's school, the report also stated that the intersection was not a "high crash" intersection. There were three countermeasures the city could take to alleviate the traffic problems. They are listed in order of complexity and cost.

The first suggestion was to maintain and upgrade pavement markings and traffic sign plans. The second suggestion was to increase enforcement of current traffic laws. The third is to have city and school officials review existing current student pick-up/drop-off rules.

When residents complained about traffic around the school, they suggested putting up a four-way traffic control sign at

the intersection to replace the current two-way stop sign.

The report specifically stated that given the low number of accidents at the intersection that have occurred in the last five years, a new stop sign is not warranted.

Before being promoted to corporal and leaving the position of traffic control officer, Woods public safety officer Joe Cardosi said that putting a traffic light or sign in an area that does not need one can often create more traffic problems than it can solve.

Several members of the audience took exception with SEMCOG's suggestions. Mike MacKool said that a traffic light at Vernier and Morningside would reduce traffic because parents would then be more willing to let their children walk cross Vernier to get to Ferry Elementary instead of driving them to school for safety's sake.

Woods public safety director Jack Patterson said there is already a crossing guard to help children cross Vernier and that there has never been a car/student accident that he could remember.

Koerber said that putting a light at Vernier and Morningside would be a mistake because it would be so close to the light at the North High School entrance. It would create more problems than it would solve, he said.

Mayor Robert Novitke said that before the city invested tens of thousands of dollars in a traffic light, it made sense to try relatively inexpensive and non-obtrusive measures like education and increased enforcement.

Novitke asked city officials to try those methods and then scheduled a meeting in July 1998. This meeting will allow the council, the public and officials the chance to evaluate how effective the city's efforts have been and to discuss whether other methods of traffic control should be tried.

Woods increases boat well fees

By Jim Stickford
Staff Writer

Woods residents who keep their boats in Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park will have to pay a little more for the privilege in 1998.

The Woods City Council, at its Dec. 15 meeting, raised boat well fees about 3 percent for the upcoming year.

Woods director of public works Tom Whitcher said that boat well fees hadn't been raised since 1995.

The new increase should match inflation, Whitcher said. Increased costs from salary increases and higher costs for fringe benefits for park workers have raised the Woods' costs in connection with keep-

ing boats. That's the bad news.

The good news, said Whitcher, is that even with the 3 percent increase in fees, keeping a boat at Lake Front Park is considerably less expensive than keeping one at a private marina.

"When we raised fees in 1995, we checked what commercial marinas were charging," Whitcher said. "Then fees started at about \$1,500 and up for a 28-foot boat. I would think that their costs have gone up in the past couple of years as well."

The Woods has 226 boat wells at Lake Front Park. The fee for keeping a boat under 17 feet at the park was \$445 in 1997. It will be \$460 in 1998.

The fees for boats in the 17-22 foot category have gone from \$560 to \$575. Boats in the 22-26 foot range will see a \$20 increase in fees, to \$650.

Boats in the park's largest category, 26-28 feet, will now cost \$710 to store, up from \$690.

Boat rack and dry dock fees have gone from \$120 to \$125 and \$285 and \$295, respectively.

The Woods has already begun the process of assigning wells to residents, Whitcher said. Veteran boaters had to have their applications to the city by Dec. 15, so that officials could get a tally of how many boat wells would now be available for residents who are on the city's long waiting list.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Attempted robbery

A house alarm apparently scared off person(s) who had forced open the back door of a house in the 400 block of Moross before they could steal anything Dec. 19.

According to reports, police arrived at the house and discovered the rear door open with fresh pry marks. Police searched the dwelling and found everything to be in order. There were no suspects in sight and police believe the house alarms scared them off. Police suspect the door was opened by a large screwdriver or pry bar.

Slashed tires

A rash of slashed tires continued over the weekend in the City of Grosse Pointe as three more cars had their driver's side tires punctured.

According to reports, the cars were located on Lakeland and University and the method of the vandalism matches other tires slashed over the last month in the Pointes. So far, the vandal(s) have slashed tires on nearly 50 cars.

There are no suspects in custody.

Trash fire

City of Grosse Pointe police were called to extinguish a trash fire at a business in the 16000 block of Mack Dec. 15.

According to reports, police were able to extinguish the blaze with one crew and the fire was believed to be accidental.

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House larceny

Grosse Pointe Farms police are investigating the theft of prescription drugs from a house in the 100 block of Mapleton Dec. 21.

According to reports, the homeowner reported half a bottle of prescription drugs taken from the medicine cabinet. She suspects a cleaning person recently hired as the person responsible. The homeowner wishes to prosecute.

Car stolen

Grosse Pointe Farms police are investigating the theft of a car parked in the 300 block of Mt. Vernon Dec. 20.

According to reports, the victim reported that the 1997 Plymouth was parked in the driveway and was unlocked. There are no suspects in custody.

— John Lundberg



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Parish nursing suits Park woman, earns her an award

By Margie Reins Smith
Assistant Editor

Judy Snyder of Grosse Pointe Park was named a Distinguished Nurse of Michigan by Metropolitan Woman magazine. She was honored Nov. 5 in East Lansing at the fourth annual Salute to Michigan's Top Nurses, sponsored by the magazine and Michigan State University's College of Nursing.

Snyder's specialty is parish nursing. She serves the congregations and surrounding communities of Peace Lutheran Church and Mt. Hope Methodist Church, both in Detroit.

Parish nursing is a fairly new concept, Snyder said.

"Parish nursing has three main focuses: health education, referrals and counseling. I see (parish nurses) as advocates for people in working with their physicians. We help people know what questions to ask and how to talk to their physicians."

Snyder is employed by St. John Hospital and Medical Center and is one of eight parish nurses working to improve the health of the communities it serves.

Free blood pressure testing is one of the programs Snyder offers. She said the screenings often encourage people in the community to come in, then to talk about other health problems as well.

Someone who doesn't have a physician or isn't covered by Medicare, she said, may come in for a blood pressure test, but will talk about other problems, like the cost of medications; nutrition concerns; or the fact

that he or she doesn't have a physician.

"We had 59 people walk in for blood pressure tests one Saturday," she said. Of those, one woman got help for her diabetes because she had no physician, no insurance and no job. Another man was hypertensive and was living on a low, fixed income and couldn't afford his medicine. Another woman said she realized she was drinking a lot and was worried about becoming an alcoholic.

Snyder said because these people came in for blood pressure tests, they were able to get help for a variety of other health problems.

Snyder grew up on Detroit's west side. She graduated from Cooley High School. She became a registered nurse after completing a three-year diploma program at Grace Hospital's School of Nursing.

"I got my first job working at Grace Hospital; I became a staff nurse; then I was a head nurse," she said.

While her husband completed his student teaching in the downriver area, she worked for the Visiting Nurse Association in Wyandotte.

"My first love is home care and community nursing," Snyder said. "I like being a liaison between patients and their doctors."

She returned to Grace Hospital three years later to implement a new program designed to smooth patients' transitions from hospital to home after they were discharged from the hospital.

"Discharge planning was a new idea all over Detroit at

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'I see (parish nurses) as advocates for people in working with physicians.'

that time," she said. "It was exciting."

Snyder took some time off to give birth to twin sons, Matthew and Gregory, who are now 26 years old. "I quit working one Friday, in my eighth month," she said, "and delivered twins on Sunday morning."

She was back to work part time within two months. She worked at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital while earning a B.S. degree from the University of Detroit. She returned to full-time nursing in 1982 as a discharge planner for St. John Hospital, then as a clinical nursing supervisor in St. John's Home Health Care division.

When St. John started its parish nursing program in 1995, Snyder was an enthusiastic candidate.

"It is the perfect combination of all the different kinds of nursing I love," she said. "Parish nursing focuses on preventive medicine rather than crisis intervention. And educational programs are not only for church members but also for people in the neighborhood."

"For instance, we recently offered free Hepatitis B vaccinations. In October and November, we gave the vaccine

to 120 children in three nearby private schools. These children probably would not otherwise have been vaccinated."

"Parish nursing focuses on health for the body, the mind and the spirit," Snyder said. The senior exercise program at Peace Lutheran Church is a good example of the concept.

"We plan senior-oriented programs on Sundays between church services. We also have an armchair exercise program on Mondays."

"Anywhere from six to 15 people show up each week for a routine that includes an aerobic component, stretching and toning. The program is not only good for bodies, but it alleviates depression and encourages sociability as well."

Snyder also planned a Senior Day that included blood pressure screenings; a presentation about stroke intervention; discussion of medications and their possible side effects as well as tips on how to remember to take them; and guidelines on when to call a physician.

"(Snyder) has served parishes in the Detroit area that are culturally diverse," said Vernice Anthony Davis, senior vice president, Urban and Community Health at St. John

Health System. "Judy is a very sensitive person who is aware of the need to treat people according to their norms and recognize the differences in people. She is an excellent communicator. Response from participants in her programs, and one-on-one encounters, reflect her ability to identify with individuals, no matter what their background."

Winners of the Metropolitan Woman's honor were chosen for their dedication to improving the health of the people of Michigan; the ability to serve culturally and/or ethnically diverse populations; an inherent caring and concern for patients, their families and co-workers; and a commitment to lifelong learning.

"I'm proud to be part of St. John," Snyder said. "(Parish nursing) is a great program

and St. John was the first to do it."

"I see this job as a 'calling.' I think we're often led to do what we do and go where we go. I love my job and I find it amazing that I get paid to do what I love to do. I'm lucky."

Snyder loves being outdoors and likes Grosse Pointe because of its parks and its proximity to Lake St. Clair. She swims, bikes, walks and enjoys boating and camping. She sings in the 100-member choir of Bethesda Christian Church.

"But I grew up in Detroit and my loyalty is to Detroit. I am compelled to stay nearby and to do something for the city. I want to stay in the heart of what's going on in Detroit and help the city come back. Community involvement is important."

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The Grosse Pointe Yearbook currently available

Take a romantic stroll down Lakeshore, soak up a brilliant morning sunrise or celebrate a friend's success as you page through the inaugural edition of the Grosse Pointe Yearbook.

Kimbriel Towar, publisher of "the little Blue Book," announced that the yearbook is now available in several locations throughout the Pointes. This full-color, high-gloss pictorial record of the Pointes is the newest endeavor by the well-known publishing company. The release of the yearbook comes just in time to begin celebration of "the little Blue Book's" 50th anniversary of publishing in the Pointes.

The yearbook covers the past year's people, places and events. It is an 8.5x11, hard-bound coffee-table book with a striking color cover shot of the

gazebo on the Hill.

"Chances are everyone in the Pointes will know someone in the yearbook," says Towar. "We've made a concerted effort to cover as many events in the Pointes as we possibly could. This is the first time this type of publication has been done in the Pointes as far as we know."

The yearbook sells for \$34.95 and is available at the following locations:

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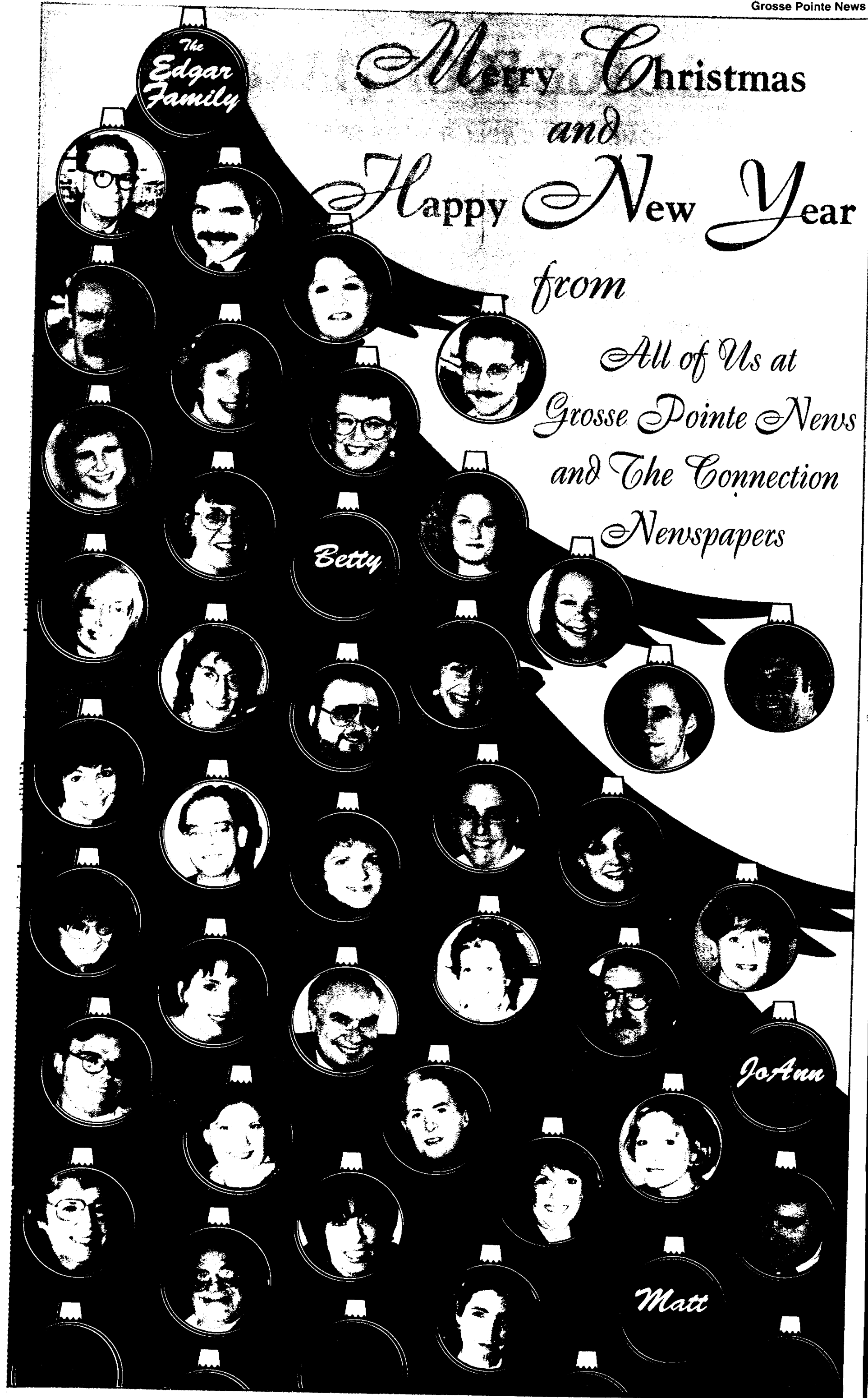
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Detroit area sees cultural renaissance

Week after week, we see new evidence of a cultural renaissance in Detroit that will parallel, if not outdo, the commercial revival of the nation's 10th largest city.

We refer to the recent developments at the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and the Center for Creative Studies, the 91-year-old college of art and design located just west of the DIA.

These developments are being seen not only as vital bellweathers of economic revival but they also help attract more suburban interest in Detroit's cultural as well as its commercial opportunities.

The center announced just last week that it had received a \$20 million grant from Josephine Ford, widow of arts patron Walter B. Ford II, to jump start a \$60 million capital campaign.

The Ford contribution is the largest individual gift ever given to a private college of art and design, fund-raising consultant Bruce Flessner told the Detroit

Opinion

Free Press.

The fund-raising campaign for the center is aimed at financing a \$40-million overhaul of the college campus and boosting the school's endowment that funds faculty salaries and scholarships.

At the DIA, the big news is that the Detroit city council and Mayor Dennis Archer have finally approved an operating agreement placing the full responsibility for daily operation and all museum fund-raising in the hands of the reorganized Founders Society.

And at the orchestra, the organization has named as its new president Louis G. Spisto, who has been a vice president and executive director of the Pacific Symphony Orchestra based in Orange County, Calif.

The DIA agreement, to become effective next Feb. 1, will run for a 20-year term, with additional 10-year renewals. It authorizes the society to maintain and

operate the fifth largest museum in the country.

That means the society also will be responsible for raising the private and governmental funds to operate the society and to keep the buildings in good repair.

In a letter to DIA Founders Society members, president Richard A. Manoogian pointed to the task of operating and maintaining a museum with more than 60,000 works of art, 134 galleries and many other programs serving the state of Michigan.

Beginning July 1, 1998, he wrote, "we will need to raise more than \$6 million in new private sector funds just to balance the budget even with no new employees or any new programs."

Spisto, the new symphony president, in early March will succeed Mark Volpe, now managing director of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Spisto had served the Pacific Symphony since 1987, and before that was director of marketing for the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

His appointment was cheered in all musical quarters, starting with Alfred R. Glancy III, chairman of the board of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall organization. He said, in part:

"We are delighted to have attracted a person of Lou Spisto's energy and talent to head the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. He has a proven track record in management, a reputation for innovation, and great marketing savvy."

The selection was also praised by DSO music director Neeme Jarvi and Brian Ventura, chair of the Musicians Orchestra Committee.

Spisto himself lauded the orchestra, and added that he is accepting the presidency of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall "with tremendous enthusiasm and anticipation."

But the orchestra had other good news to announce just before Christmas.

It was that an agreement had been reached with the orchestra's negotiating committee to a four-year labor contract, and has been ratified by the full orchestra.

It truly looks as if the Detroit area's cultural renaissance has begun.

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A questionable list of 100 best

When a national magazine sets out to select "the best 100 people in the world," how does it make its choices?

Esquire magazine confesses its editors really make the selections, which the magazine admits is "kind of presumptuous," probably because the simple standards they used were "people who make our lives richer or larger or happier."

We agree that it was presumptuous for the Esquire editors — as it would be for any publication, group or individual — to try to pick the best 100 people in the world, even if the Esquire standards were used.

On close inspection, we can find only three of the 100 who are natives of Detroit, or have lived in this area long enough to be identified with Detroit.

They are Aretha Franklin, identified as "queen of soul"; Rosa Parks, cited for her "inspiration," and Dr. Jack Kevorkian, identified as "gatekeeper" but a highly controversial agent of death in Michigan.

They are in good company, so far as we could identify the others picked as "the best," but we didn't check the reference books to find out what all had done, or had not done.

However, from political life, we found Ruth Bader Ginsburg, associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; Alan Greenspan,

the Federal Reserve Board chairman who is called a "bull rider"; Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Democratic senator from New York, and former president Jimmy Carter.

Madeleine Albright, the U.S. secretary of state, who is identified (by a non-word) as a "diplomatrix," is also among the 100, and so is Jodie Foster, the actress, who is called "a class act." But Helen Mirren, the British actress, is simply identified as "actor."

But what does Richard James, the Savile Row tailor, do to justify his position among the 100? He reportedly does supply the best-dressed men, but we wonder whether this is a payoff from a well-dressed Esquire editor.

George Soros, the philanthropist, is included, and so is Eduard Shevardnadze, the president of Georgia; the Dalai Lama, exiled from his homeland in Tibet, and Vaclav Havel, the "velvet revolutionary" from Czechoslovakia.

That's 15 of the 100 and the rest seems to be a grab bag of actors, poets, and other cultural and governmental stars from this country and abroad.

Without hammering any one selection, we say again that the idea was "presumptuous," especially when we know at least 100 good people in the Pointes — but we wouldn't want to try to name them publicly.

IT'S ANOTHER LETTER FROM YET
ANOTHER LOCAL POLITICIAN
WHO'S MISTAKEN OL' SANTA
FOR SOME KIND OF LOBBYIST!



Letters

Hike smoking fine to \$500

To the editor:
I am a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School. I am writing you this letter with regard to the new smoking amendment in the City of Grosse Pointe.

I graciously applaud the new \$50 fine for underage smoking in the City of Grosse Pointe. I do, however, have to question: Why was the fine set to be \$50?

Considering the fact that, in all honesty, most kids can come up with that kind of money without much of a problem, why isn't the fine something more severe? For example, a \$500 fine would definitely affect the students much more than a \$50 one.

The reason being, simply, that kids can't usually come up with that much money on their own, so they'd have to ask their parents. Most parents would question their children as to what they needed that kind of money for, and not many lies would cover it. The teenagers would have to explain that they got caught smoking.

If this new fine were increased to \$500 and instead, and the police paid extremely close attention to the teenage smoking in front of the Farms Market (for

example), within a number of weeks, and a number of fines, I guarantee kids wouldn't be out there smoking anymore. It

would be too expensive a habit to keep up!

Tony O'Neill
Grosse Pointe Farms

Schools merit yuletide thanks

The news and editorial departments of the Grosse Pointe News wish to express their appreciation to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education and superintendent Suzanne Klein for their holiday greetings.

We understand the same greeting was sent to many other Grosse Pointe supporters of the public school system in these words:

"There is no better time than the Holidays to thank you for the part that you play in making our school district what it is."

"On the threshold of the New Year, our wish is that the peace and happiness of the season will be yours every day throughout this coming New Year."

We emphasize that we regard our

reporting and commentary about the public schools as one of our major responsibilities as a community newspaper.

On behalf of both the news and editorial departments at the News, we wish to express the same Christmas and New Year sentiments to the board members, the superintendent, the teachers and the other employees who make the Grosse Pointe school district one of the very best in Michigan.

The school district is the largest enterprise in the Grosse Pointes in terms of employment and budget, but it is more than that. It helps arouse the hopes and dreams of the human resources that it teaches, protects and educates to meet the needs of the 21st century.

The day after Christmas with Marshall (10-2) facing Mississippi (7-4).

Michigan, now rated No. 1, will also be playing for its 12th straight victory and the national championship in a game starting at 4 p.m. on ABC.

The only other nationally rated undefeated major team, Nebraska, will be playing in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 2 against Tennessee (11-1).

As we've said, the family comes first on Christmas, but at least two games will be played and broadcast on TV that day: MSU's game in Honolulu at 3:30 p.m. on ABC, following the Blue-vs. Gray game in Montgomery, Ala., on the same channel at noon.

Family & football on Christmas

With at least 25 bowl games scheduled, football is becoming about as closely associated with Christmas and New Year's as Thanksgiving is with turkey.

On Christmas, however, the family comes first in most American homes, and probably in most players' homes.

The Detroit News listed 25 college bowl games (all on TV) through Jan. 18, but Michigan's interests probably will be centered on three bowl games:

Michigan (11-0) playing in the Rose Bowl against Washington State (10-1) on New Year's Day; Michigan State (7-4) playing Washington (7-4) on Christmas Day in the Aloha Bowl in Honolulu, and the Motor City Bowl in the Silverdome on



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period wheelchair, FDR will roll back to the store in January for a triumphal return.

"His birthday is Jan. 20 and we're going to have a birthday party with a big banner and copies of FDR-era newspapers," says Danielle.

She even has a display of old campaign buttons from the period. "They were my parents'," says Danielle. "They've been in our basement forever."

Give them a laugh

Some of the odder holiday-season gifts on sale at Pointe stores lately:

- At **Jacobson's Store for the Home**, a jeweled pet food bowl, just the thing to pamper that persnickety Pointe pooch.

- At the new **Orvis** fisherman's outlet in the Village, a bottle of "Wet Gun Dog After Shave." (No bones about it, it smells good, like a wet gun dog should.)

- At **Something Special Too**, a Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Shop Snow Village for under the tree and a "Biker Momma" ornament-with-an-attitude (she comes complete with black leather jacket and a tattoo that says, "Born to Ride"), to hang in its branches.

- When Harley makes it to Grosse Pointe, it's finally arrived," says owner **Sandy Gillespie**.

- And, at the **Kroger's** in the Village, there's a display

rack of small cedar boxes containing, "Three premium, imported, hand-rolled cigars." According to the advertising blurb, it's "the perfect gift for any man or woman."

Don't forget to pick up an extra box for Mom.

He's in the book

It may be too late even for last-minute gifts, but parents who took their kids to Pointe pediatrician **Dr. Gennaro Dimaso** might enjoy picking up a copy of Terry Stellini's new novel, "While the Moon Looked up to Heaven" (Cielo Publishing, 1997).

A love story, it sets 47-year-old heroine Francesca in a century-old convent south of Rome. A little tipster bird informs FYI that the book, available through most bookstores, models Francesca's pediatrician after Dr. Dimaso. Coincidentally, the doc retired in November, the same month the book came out.

Just to fix the point firmly, the story line also has Francesca visit the fictional "Shrine of San Gennaro" in New York City.

"(The author) lovingly recollects Dimaso's gruff charm," says a reader. "She captures his pure essence with exact and heart-filled description."

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

Humbly submitted: A Christmas message from God

(Continued from last week)
By Victor Bloom, MD

Here's my ingenious plan. The way I was going to come down to earth and become one of you — in order to be more effective and convincing, so much so that you would listen to me instead of the devil, instead of your own small ideas — was to impregnate a virgin, and I would come down as a babe on Christmas Day.

Now this had to be just right and special, to be unique and distinctive from all the other babies that were coming into the world. I sent down my angel, Gabriel, to warn her that something special was going to happen, and that she shouldn't worry. I picked a nice Jewish girl who was a virgin and had only clean thoughts in her head, even though she was going with Joseph. Joseph was a nice guy, too, I wanted some good parenting, and I picked well.

I gave her an immaculate conception, meaning I wasn't going to have a physical union with her, but a spiritual one. After all, she was as good as married to Joseph.

Immaculate means clean, and the people had this idea that sex was dirty, but they didn't get it from me. Sex is my gift, and only natural. Anyway, in those days it was really special to be pregnant without having sex, and the Jews didn't believe it. (How could a virgin be pregnant?) Just because they were my Chosen People, they thought they knew everything, but there were some things beyond their ken.

Still, among all the peoples of the time, the Jews were the best behaved, because of Moses and the Ten Commandments. It took them 40 years wandering the desert to get my point. Only Ten Commandments! Some of them thought it was too many. At that time I thought the Ten Commandments were sufficient to get my children to behave and obey their heavenly Father, but with the devil and free will, it was still a problem.

So I was born on Christmas Day. There were prophecies and stars and wise men and gifts; it was really a special time. The main thing was, I was Father and I was Son, too, and as Son, I would go around and preach and try to get my children to be good. Is that asking too much?

The first thing, in order to be good, you have to have very special parenting. And since I was now known as the Savior and the Messiah and your Redeemer, I was treated very well as a baby. I was adored. They gave me gifts. They wanted I should be comfortable, so they never let me cry.

My mother, Mary, nursed me and held me and cuddled me and caressed me and talked to me and played with me and made me very happy. That's what I want for all my children. That is the basis for being good. And feeling good. And wanting everybody else to be good and feel good.

I was glad that the great painters of the Renaissance made thousands of wonderful



Dr. Victor Bloom

and glorious portraits of me as a baby and my mother, Mary, and how close and loving she was, so everybody could see. But still they didn't see, and babies were neglected and abused, like now. There was a German doctor, Sigmund Freud, who came to Italy as a young man and saw what I wanted him to see in the cathedrals and museums, painting after beautiful painting, showing the importance of the mother-child bond, which was the basis of all human love. This deep and true and natural love is based on the model of the holy mother and me as a babe.

And Freud wrote a brilliant psychology about the importance of the mother-infant loving bond, but only a few people looked and listened, and he was discredited. Too bad. Freud had a lot of good things to say, but when he started talking about sex in childhood, it turned a lot of people off.

It's understandable, because the people thought I said that sex was bad, except in holy matrimony and to make babies, but I am in the process of changing my mind. If I invented it, it must be good,

and if I gave so much pleasure with it, it must be natural and wholesome and healthy, but like so many other things, mere mortals get carried away. They have to learn to be more responsible. Adam and Eve should have just listened to me instead of eating the fruit ...

When I was a baby, living with Mary and Joseph, I grew up as a nice Jewish boy. I got circumcised just like all the other baby boys, (a bris, they call it), went to Hebrew school, got my Bar Mitzvah and went to work as a carpenter, so I would know work and get to know my people better. They said I wandered the desert, but I was doing what every good Talmudic scholar did, studied the Bible, which I dictated as the Father, so I would do a good job preaching as the Son.

After a while, I went forth and preached, but the main message was Love Thy Neighbor and The Golden Rule.

You know the rest. As the Son, I was scorned and rejected and eventually crucified, but you can't kill God. I "died" but lived again, and that gave the wonderful promise to all my children of everlasting life.

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Squadron offers boating course

The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron is offering a 10-week course on boating safety to the public to make the 1998 boating season a fun and safe experience for sailboaters and powerboaters alike.

The classes will be held on Mondays, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., beginning Jan. 5 at the Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, between Mack and Lakeshore Drive in Grosse Pointe Woods.

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LTS wishes you and yours best wishes for the holiday



By Joseph Mengden

Who would have ever guessed that the stock market would go up-up for three years in a row? The odds of that happening again are almost like drawing four aces in a five-card stud poker game three consecutive times!

But don't knock it, be thankful! Who knows how many new cars, Rolex watches, cruises, golfing condos, mink coats, diamond bracelets, etc., were purchased from stock market profits?

Most families try to get together sometime during the Christmas holidays. The airlines tell us that the Thanksgiving and Christmas weekends are the most heavily traveled of all the year. So while the family is together, why not a "time-out" to discuss investments?

Some time ago (see LTS, May 29), LTS discussed 10 important topics to teach your children about investing, but

we'll only summarize a few here: 1) Start early, compounding works; 2) Make common stocks the core portfolio, but be sure to diversify; 3) Keep at it, dollar averaging pays off in down markets; 4) Don't be greedy, take home some of your profits; and 5) Invest, don't speculate, traders only make brokers wealthy.

Accumulating wealth and passing it along to the next generation may be important, but so is teaching your children about investing as they themselves grow up. Often setting aside cash for investment means foregoing some pleasures in the here and now, but setting aside for retirement should be a primary goal. Why not pay yourself first?

Can you afford to buy your own house?

Realtors tell us that residential real estate prices in the Grosse Pointe area are up as much as 10 percent, or more, from a year ago. Which raises the first question: When was the last time you looked at your homeowners insurance policy? Are you adequately insured? Is the dollar amount of your

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Each municipality (a city, village or township) has a local tax assessor. Each year, in late February, the assessor mails each property-holder a "Notice of Assessment, Taxable Valuation and Property Classification." This notice informs each taxpayer when and where the Board of Review will meet, and how to obtain an

appointment for a hearing to protest your assessment.

Each time a property is sold, the selling price usually becomes the basis for calculating the following year's assessment. In Michigan, the assessment shall not exceed 50 percent of the true cash value. For years when there has been no actual sale, the assessor must appraise your property, using one or more of several methods, including "comparable" sales in your area.

Sometimes, an overall increase, percentage-wise, is applied to all properties not sold in that year. When the market is improving, such as now, not all properties may increase at the same rate. For example, homes built more than 20 years ago may appreciate at a lesser rate than newer homes.

It is easy to see that appraisals are often an art, not pure science. So, if you have

lived in your home for more than 10 years, it may be worth your while to take a serious look at your assessed value next February. It may be just right, but it may be too low or too high. A rule of thumb depends on your answer to this question: Would you sell your home for twice its assessed value? If your answer is "no," then maybe you should be thankful, keep quiet and don't rock the boat! To be continued in the following weeks.

Dogs of the Dow

In the coming weeks, you'll see a lot of articles about the "Dogs of the Dow" in the financial press, especially after year-end. LTS has previously discussed the "Dogs" twice (See LTS, Jan. 9 and June 26).

"Dogs of the Dow" is a contrarian theory based on the 10 "cheapest" of the 30 stocks in the DJI. "Cheapest" is defined as those having the "highest yields," except that non-dividend paying stocks are excluded. Past history has shown that the 10 Dogs have usually performed better market-wise, than the 30 DJI stocks for the same time period.

If you really believe that this cult of contrarians can move markets, then don't wait to use the year-end (Dec. 31) closing prices and yields (as they all do). You should start right now, using Dec. 24 data to determine which 10 Dogs you should buy. Then buy them on Friday, Dec. 26.

You'll beat the crowd, for sure. Only time will tell if your "Dogs of the Dow" out-perform the later investors' year-end "Dogs" or the DJI itself, for six months, one year, or whatever. Remember when buying your 10 stocks, buy equal dollar amounts of each stock, not equal shares.

We're fast running out of 1997. You have only a few days left to 1) make gifts of appreciated securities to charities (for tax deductions) and 2) take tax losses by sale of "underwater" securities (to reduce your tax liability somewhat). But first, consult your tax adviser.

LTS wishes you and yours a happy, healthy merry Christmas!

Joseph Mengden is former chairman of First of Michigan. He resides in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Inside credit reports: Reading carefully between the lines

Your credit report contains important information about you — information that can help you land a job or get approved for a mortgage. Last year, in an effort to continually improve credit-reporting accuracy, Congress enacted the Consumer Credit Reporting Reform Act, which took effect in October of this year. According to the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA), the new Act strengthens the older Fair Credit Reporting Act and includes several new provisions. While the Act is designed to improve the way credit information is handled, it's important that you're aware of your responsibilities with regard to your credit report.

The role of credit reporting agencies

What many people don't realize is that a credit bureau is simply an information gathering business. The three major credit reporting agencies input the computerized information they receive from lenders and merchants describing the consumers' outstanding balances and payment history. These agencies also search public information records at courthouses throughout the country for information concerning judgments, liens, foreclosures and bankruptcies. Credit reporting agencies do not assign ratings, nor do they deny credit. It is the lender who decides whether a consumer is creditworthy, based on the information it receives and on its own credit criteria.

When and why you should review your credit report

Review your credit file every few years to make certain the information it contains is accurate and complete. Most errors occur in files of family members with the same last name and address and in those of people with common names. Misspellings and incorrect Social Security numbers add problems as well. Make it a point to check your credit report in advance of applying for a mortgage or other major loan. That way you can correct any errors and avoid delays in the processing of your loan request.

To obtain a copy of your credit report, you can contact one of the three major credit reporting agencies: Trans Union at (216) 779-7200; Experian (formerly TRW) at (800) 682-7654; and Equifax at (800) 685-1111. The new Act limits to \$8 the amount credit reporting agencies may charge you for a copy of your report. By law, if you contact the credit-reporting agency within 60 days of being denied credit, your credit report is free. Based on the new Act, you are also entitled to a free report if you are unemployed and looking for work, are on welfare or have reason to believe that your credit report contains inaccurate information due to fraud.

Correcting errors

If you discover that your credit report contains inaccurate or incomplete information, complete the "request for rein-

vestigation" form you receive with your report or write to the credit reporting agency stating specifically why you believe the information is incorrect. The agency must contact the source of the disputed information. Under the new Act, which places more of the burden on the creditor, the creditor must certify that the questioned information is correct. If the information is found to be incorrect or incomplete, the credit reporting agency must delete the information or modify it based on the results of the investigation. At the time, you can request that the credit

reporting agency provide a revised copy to any creditor who reviewed your file during the previous six months (two years if the inquiry was employment-related).

If the credit-reporting agency cannot verify the disputed information within 30 days, the information must be deleted from your credit report. Should the creditor subsequently verify the accuracy of the deleted information, the agency is now required to noti-

fy you in writing within five days of reinserting the information in your file.

If the dispute cannot be resolved, you have a right to file a brief statement explaining your side of the story. This statement becomes part of your file and is sent to any creditor requesting your credit information. The credit agency may limit such statements to not more than 100 words, if it provides you with assistance in writing a clear summary.

Another important provision of the Consumer Credit Reporting Reform Act gives customers the right to sue for damages if the creditor or the credit-reporting agency verifies incorrect information.

What if there is negative information in your file? Don't despair. CPAs advise that paying your bills responsibly over a period of two to three years may help convince lenders that your credit problems are behind you.

Business People



Moran

Grosse Pointe Park resident John Moran recently joined the Detroit-based law firm of Wulfmeier & Ottenwess, PLC, as an associate.

Moran specializes in a wide variety of litigation matters, including employment, health care, medical malpractice defense, personal injury and domestic relations.

Moran received his juris doctorate from the Dickinson School of Law and is a member of the American Bar Association, the State Bar Association and the Detroit Bar Association.

Three residents of the Grosse Pointes were recently appointed to the Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice, which was created to enhance child abuse prevention efforts, particularly with respect to child sexual abuse, by reforming state investigative, administrative and judicial handling of such cases.

Robert Young, of Grosse Pointe Park, a judge in the Michigan Court of Appeals, was appointed to the board representing judicial offices.

Ernestine Moore, of the City of Grosse Pointe, managing director of the Skillman Center for Children at Wayne State University, was appointed to represent defense attorneys.

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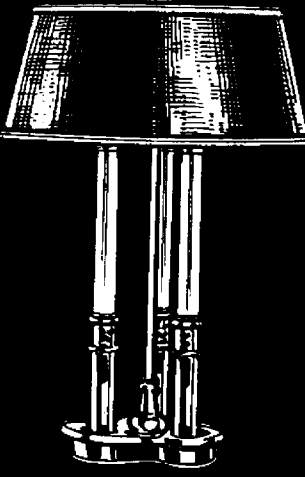
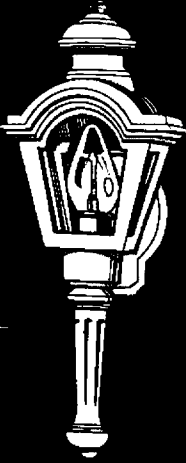
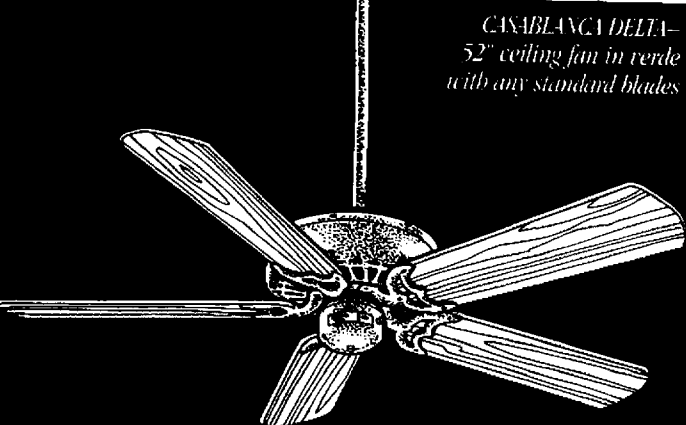
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North gets the right answers to basketball questions

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

There were some question marks surrounding Grosse Pointe North's basketball team this year, but so far coach Dave Stavale has liked the answers he's received.

"I wanted to see early how we'd do and I've been pleased so far," Stavale said after the Norsemen won a pair of Macomb Area Conference crossover games with Red Division foes Eisenhower and Stevenson.

"David (Stavale), Nick (Aubrey) and Craig (Ziozkowski) look like seniors who have been playing three years of varsity basketball. They're mature and confident."

It showed when North beat

Eisenhower 65-61 in two overtimes and then downed Stevenson 51-44.

The Norsemen trailed the Eagles by five points with 45 seconds left in regulation when Ben Peters hit a three-point shot, then a two-point basket to send the game into overtime.

In the first extra period, it was Aubrey who made some key plays. He scored a basket remaining to cut Eisenhower's lead to two points. Then he made a steal and went in for a driving layup to tie the game and send it into another extra period.

This time Stavale took over. He hit a three-pointer to put North ahead to stay, then sank two free throws with about 30

seconds left to seal the win. Stavale led North with 19 points and he also dished out five assists. Peters had 15 points and Aubrey had 12.

Ziozkowski finished with eight points and eight rebounds.

"Craig has been so consistent," coach Stavale said. "He always gets his eight or nine points and six to eight rebounds. All three of those seniors play so smart."

North led most of the way against Stevenson, but the Norsemen were never able to get comfortably ahead.

North led 20-16 at halftime and took a 31-28 advantage into the fourth quarter.

"The kids played really well defensively, from start to fin-

ish," coach Stavale said. "And we played a smart offensive game."

One of the things that pleased the elder Stavale the most was his team's free throw shooting. North made 15 of 18 attempts from the line in the fourth quarter.

David Stavale made seven of eight and Aubrey hit all four of his fourth-quarter free throws. "They like to go inside and they'll draw the fouls," the

coach said. "Craig and Tony (Strickland) give us a good inside presence, too."

North got a good performance from its bench against the Titans, especially late in the first half.

"We brought Nesahn Robinson, Mike Fine, Chris Mikula, Dave Janis and Marc Bertelsen off the bench and they not only held their own, but they increased the lead," coach Stavale said.

Aubrey led North with 17 points and seven steals. Stavale had 10 points — all from the foul line — and Ziozkowski added nine points and six rebounds.

Strickland pulled down nine rebounds. Robinson had eight points.

The victories sent North into the Christmas break with a 2-1 overall record. The Norsemen begin MAC White Division play Tuesday, Jan. 6, at L'Anse Creuse North.

The magic is still there for Blue Devils five

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The magic hasn't worn off.

Last season, Grosse Pointe South won several games in the last few seconds as the Blue Devils rolled to a 19-4 record.

This season is starting off the same way.

Jeff See hit a 22-foot jump shot as time expired in the second overtime period to give South a 65-62 victory over Chippewa Valley in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division opener for each team.

"The kids never quit," said coach George Petrouleas after the Blue Devils improved their record to 3-0 heading into a

brief holiday break. "We've had illness — Brian Hodgman came out of a sick bed to play tonight — and he did a great job defensively against (Brandon) Serra."

South will play Sunday at 8 p.m. in the opening round of the Ferndale Holiday Classic.

Thursday's game was a tough road test for South against the defending MAC Red champion.

"We wanted to make a statement," Petrouleas said.

It looks like the Blue Devils did just that. Since the game was on a Thursday, several

opposing coaches were in the stands and they had to be impressed.

Chippewa Valley jumped out to an 11-3 lead, but South answered with an 8-0 run and after that, neither team had more than a four-point advantage.

"It was like a heavyweight fight," Petrouleas said. "We gave each other our best shots."

The game was tied at 13-all after one quarter and South held a 31-29 advantage at halftime on Adam Hess' basket with less than a second remaining.

The second half was a seesaw battle from start to finish. The Big Reds began the half

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Mite champions

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Mite AA Bulldogs won the championship in the 11th annual Tri-County Hockey Association AA tournament at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio. The Bulldogs won every game, while outscoring the opposition 40-6. They beat North Olmstead 10-1 in the championship game. In front, from left, are Steven Rozelle, Steven Coates, Ryan Abraham, Robert Ireland, Evan Breen, Brian Krauss, Peter Fish, Scott DeBol and Andrew Osborn. In back, from left, are head coach Mike Fish, associate coach Steve Coates, Andrew Fowler, Trevor John, Taylor Flaska and associate coach Fred Rozelle. Not pictured is manager Deborah Breen.

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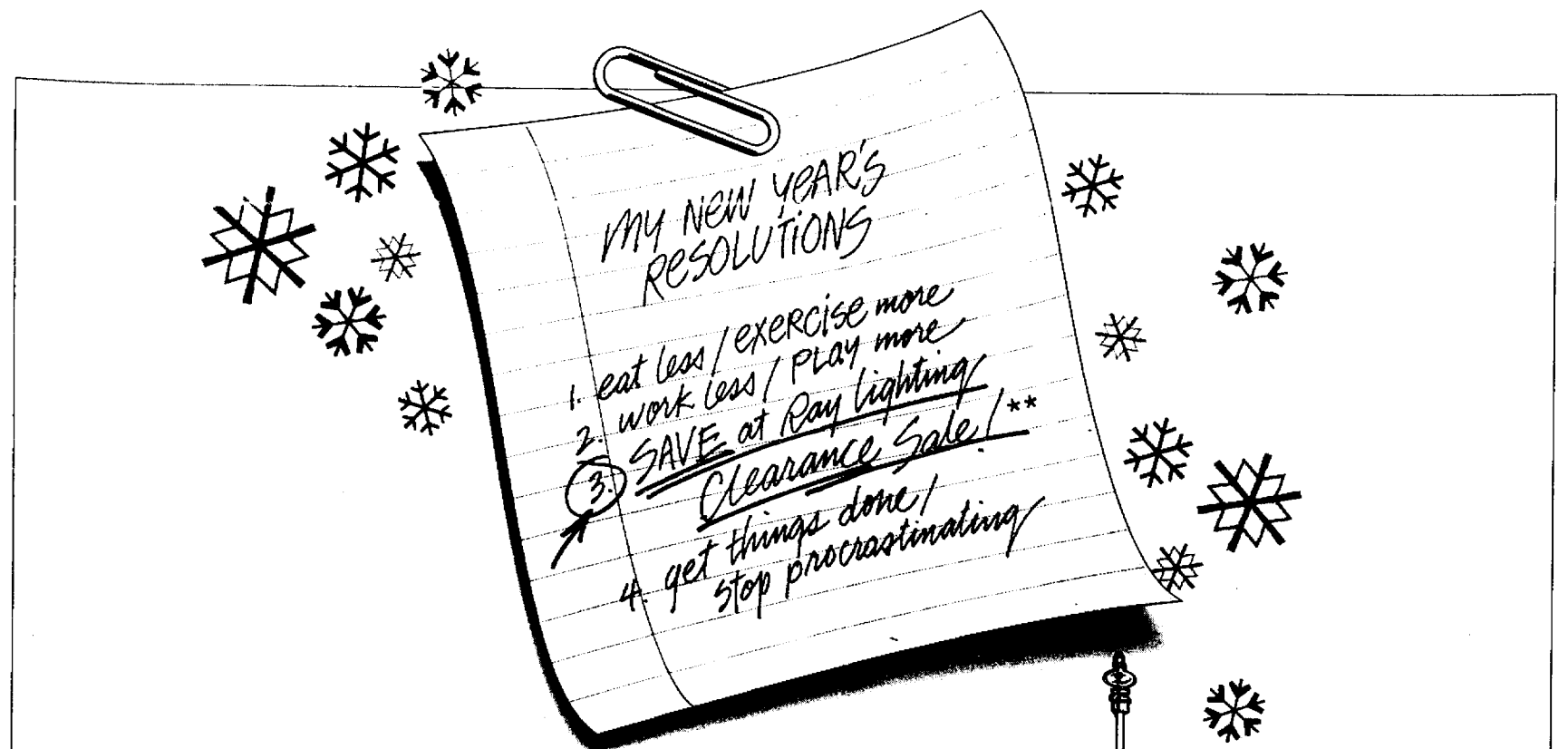


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South gives top-ranked Trenton all it can handle

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys hockey team got a confidence boost and a victory before taking a break for the holidays. The confidence booster came in the form of a 3-1 loss to top-ranked Trenton, while the vic-

tory was a 5-3 triumph over Orchard Lake St. Mary, which was ranked sixth in the state in Class B-C-D. "We played a poor first period against Trenton, but we outplayed them in the last two periods," said Blue Devils coach Bob Bopp.

"Trenton is a good team, but if they're the best in the state we can play with anybody." There are no rematches scheduled with the Trojans unless both teams advance to the state championship game. "Their coach and I both said we hoped we'd meet there,"

Bopp said. Trenton led 2-0 after a first period in which the Trojans held a 10-5 shooting edge. But the Blue Devils outshot Trenton 12-4 in the scoreless second period and 10-2 in the third to finish with a 27-16 advantage.

"We got some power play chances in the second period and that got us rolling," Bopp said. "We moved the puck well, but we just couldn't finish our chances. And Trenton's goalie played extremely well."

South cut Trenton's lead to 2-1 at 2:47 of the third period when Charlie Braun steered a good pass from Pat Manion past the Trojans' netminder. Justin Larisey had the other assist.

Trenton iced the victory on a breakaway goal with 1:17 left in the game. "We wanted to play right away after that game," Bopp said. "We felt we missed a good opportunity and we wanted to get right back on the ice."

South looked like a team that wanted to play in the first period against St. Mary. The Blue Devils outshot the Eagles 12-1 and took a 3-0 lead on goals by Devon Allard, Braun and Gene Casazza. Casazza's wraparound goal was the first of his high school career.

ULS plays well in loss to Huskies

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It wasn't a victory, but University Liggett School's 5-4 loss to Port Huron Northern last weekend was good for measuring how far the Knights have come in the last month. "On Nov. 20, we lost 10-1 to Cranbrook, so we've come a long way," ULS coach John Fowler said after his team's strong performance against the defending Michigan Prep Hockey League champion.

Crain's first goal at 3:01 was assisted by Jason Cooper and A.J. Stachecki. His second at 7:11 came from Rami Zayat and Chris Mitchell. Northern cut the Knights' lead to 2-1 at 4:18 of the second period, but Ryan Schafer put ULS ahead 3-1 at 5:54 when he scored on a rebound of Charlie Keersmaekers' shot.

Keersmaekers forced a turnover with some good forechecking. ULS picked up a string of penalties late in the second period and Northern capitalized. The Huskies scored with a 5-on-3 advantage at 11:42, then tied the game with a power play goal a minute later.

"The kids were pleased with how well they had played, but at the same time they were teed off that the game was tied after two periods," Fowler said. Northern went ahead 4-3 at 5:06 of the third period, but Keersmaekers tied the game at 4-4 with 3:57 left. The ULS

goal was the result of a good breakout with excellent passes from Jordan Materna and Robbie Theil. There was only 1:48 left when a Northern player drilled a shot from the blue line that beat goalie Jacob Bondy, who played a strong game for the Knights.

"We had a good team effort," Fowler said. "We broke out well and we forechecked well. Things are starting to come together." ULS is idle until the Knights host Orchard Lake St. Mary on Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 6 p.m.

ULS led 2-0 after the first period on a pair of power play goals by K.C. Crain. Both of them came on rebounds after the Huskies' goalie stopped shots from the point.

South girls hit 10 again

Grosse Pointe South's girls hockey team is in a rut — but it doesn't care if it never gets out of it.

Torrey also had a good offensive game. Meike Teitge spoiled the Blue Devils' shutout bid with 1:22 left in the third period.

South goalies Katie Orzechowski and Corie D'Angelo played well with the solid defensive support of Kelly Butala, Kate Finkenstaedt, Natalie Brewer, Jessica Barbier, Carrie Howe, Megan Monaghan, Walsh, Katie Kotz and Moran.

Each team scored two points in the first overtime. Chippewa's Sean Lively got a basket with just under four minutes to play and Hess countered with two free throws for South with 2:37 left.

The Big Reds jumped out to an early lead in the second overtime on a three-point basket by R.J. Hallowell, but See, who scored seven of his 13 points in the second overtime countered with a pair of baskets.

Two free throws by Hallowell pulled Chippewa into a 62-62 tie with 32.2. South ran the clock down to eight seconds and called a timeout to set up the final play.

The Blue Devils scored 10 goals for the third straight game last week as it rolled past University Liggett School 10-1. "I'm very proud of the girls," said coach Bill Fox. "The work ethic of the team as a whole has been great."

Captain Courtney Lytle paced the South scoring attack with three goals and an assist. Christina Bakalis had two goals and two assists, while Cammie Preston also tallied twice and had an assist. Annie Reinholz, Kelly Birg and Eileen Pulis had the other South goals.

Elizabeth Moran picked up five assists, while Molly Weaver had two and Morgan Walsh, Pulis, Andrea Elich, Anne Garvey and Reinholz added one apiece. Gretchen

Hess led South with 22 points, Howson had 14 and Dustin Marx added 10. Hess had six rebounds, while Howson and See each collected five.

Lively led Chippewa Valley with 21 points and nine rebounds, while Hallowell had 17 points.

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North-South alumni game

The annual alumni game between former Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South hockey players will be held Friday at 7 p.m. at the City Sports Center.

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The Fitness Firm will begin a new series of low impact aerobics classes on Monday, Jan. 5.

Classes will be held Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 at First English Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Evening classes will be offered from 6:45 to 7:45, Monday through Thursday at the JFK Library in Harper Woods.

The cost for the eight weeks of classes is \$45, in addition to a \$6 charge for new members. Participants can choose any classes they wish to attend.

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Minor champs

Miami won the Minor League championship in the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League. Kneeling, from left, are Paul McAlpine, Andrew Amaro, Ben Gardner, Ryan Walsh, Scott Ciraulo, Danny Rusinow and Spencer Channell. In the middle row, from left, are Billy Matouk, Jason Gula, Tom Amaro, Jeff Kurtz, Chris McAlpine and Mark Costine. In back, from left, are coaches John McAlpine and Bill Matouk, manager Tom Rusinow and scorekeeper Maury Walsh.

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American league champs

The Yankees won the American League championship in the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League with a 15-5 regular-season record. In front, from left, are Jason Aubrey, Tom Rheume, Eric VandeVorde, Jeff Bolton, Dustin Ciccarelli, Adam Kosmas and Andrew Godoshian. In back, from left, are coach John Kosmas, Andrew Kapordellis, manager Ron Kefgen, Jeremy Samczyk, Niko Ahee, coach Tom Jerger, Michael Jerger and coach Jack Burns. Not pictured is Suzanne McGoeey.

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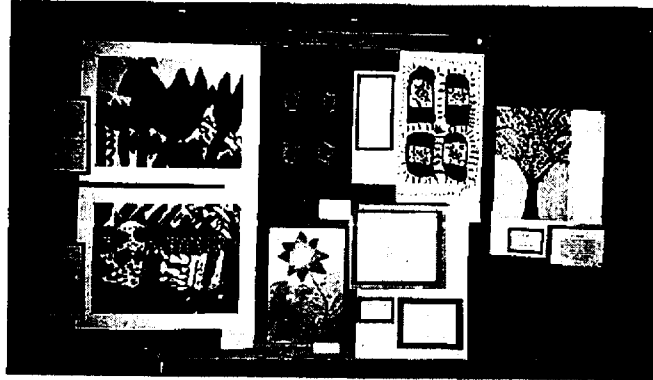
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A Wonderful fundraiser



Those who attended the stage production of "It's a Wonderful Life" at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Dec. 14 were transported back to an era when radio was the primary source for news and entertainment. The production of Frank Capra's holiday classic was presented live on stage like an old time radio show. City of Grosse Pointe resident Marty Bufalini, professional actor and media consultant, produced and directed the show.

Grosse Pointe Public School System students joined the professional actors onstage. They are: Ryan Steiner, Chris MacGriff, Elizabeth Halpin, Mara Burns, Tatiana Kouskoulas, Emily Davis, Tom Simon, Jimmy Manganello and Erin Burke.

Pointers Chuck and Susan Galdica were honorary chairmen of the event. The production was a joint effort of the War Memorial and the school system and served as a benefit for the elementary and middle schools' fine arts and performing arts programs. Student artwork, above, was displayed before and after the show. Music was provided by Emily Skrzynski and Tobie Milford on strings, left, and Cheryl MacKechie, right, on brass.



Math winners

Grosse Pointe North students, front, from left, May Jean Chan, Michelle Koo, Elizabeth Jubera, Elizabeth Huebner, Nicole Raspa, Jeanine Chan, Smeeta Soares, Lisa Bergman and Greg Johnson; and back, from left, David Dwaiby, Chris Hirt, William Farmer, G. Matthew Topper, Daniel Leehr, Andrew Schubeck and Eric Bonten have qualified for the second part of the 41st annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition sponsored by the Michigan Mathematical Association of America. They qualified for Part II by placing among the top 6 percent of about 16,000 participants in an examination given at over 360 schools across Michigan.

Honors

Grosse Pointe South High School's newspaper

The Tower recently earned second place in the "Best of Show" competition at this fall's Journalism Education Association/National Scholastic Press Association (JEA/NSPA) National High School Journalism Convention in St. Louis.

In this competition, the Tower was pitted against more than 200 high school publications in the nation and was the only weekly newspaper to place.

Tower staff writer Noel Egnatios, a sophomore, earned an honorable mention in the on-site sports writing competi-

tion. Tower staffers, along with adviser Jeff Nardone and student-teacher Colleen Dailey, attended.

Brianne Nadeau, a Grosse Pointe South High School senior, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award Scholarship Program (PLA), sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

The nomination places Nadeau in the national competition. One hundred fifty national PLA winners will

receive \$1,000 scholarships.

High school principals around the country were

asked to nominate one of their student leaders. Winners were selected based on their participation in service organizations, clubs, and athletics; achievements in the arts and sciences; employment experience; and academic record. Students also are required to write an essay.

"Nadeau has demonstrated exemplary achievement in her work and participation in her school and community," said Dr. Timothy J. Dyer, NASSP executive director. "She is a fine example of the outstanding caliber of (students) in America's high schools."



SCHOOL NEWS

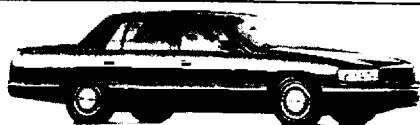
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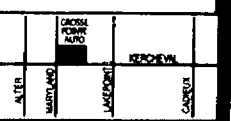
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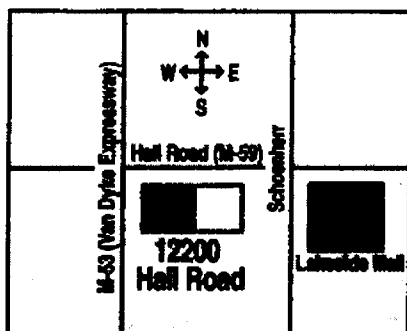
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George Vincent

A memorial service was held in Grosse Pointe United Church in Grosse Pointe Farms for Farms resident George Vincent, who died at his home while shoveling snow on Thursday, Dec. 11, 1997.

Mr. Vincent, 81, was born in Chicago and began his business career at J.L. Hudson's, where he designed floats for the annual Thanksgiving Day parade. He later worked as a designer for U.S. Rubber, until his retirement 12 years ago.

An active member of the community, Mr. Vincent was a member of the Grosse Pointe Garden Club and the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club. He also belonged to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. He traveled through Europe and Asia and enjoyed plays, especially musicals, as well as being a graphic artist.

Mr. Vincent is survived by his brother, Charles.

Interment is at Meadowcrest Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were handled by the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Marguerite L. Vincent

A memorial service was held in Grosse Pointe United Church in Grosse Pointe Farms for Farms resident Marguerite L. Vincent, who died on Saturday, Dec. 13, 1997, of complications from bladder cancer, just two days after her husband George Vincent passed away.

Mrs. Vincent, 87, was born in Crediton, Ontario, and was a waitress at J.L. Hudson's. She was a member of Toastmasters and the Grosse Pointe Garden Club. An avid traveler, she

toured Europe and Asia and enjoyed the theater, especially musicals.

Mrs. Vincent is survived by two sisters, Zella Vaughan and Eileen Leary; and a brother, Lloyd Lamport.

Interment is at Meadowcrest Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were handled by the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mary D. Wyckoff

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday,

Dec. 27, in Grosse Pointe United Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, for Mary D. Wyckoff, 96, of the City of Grosse Pointe, who died Saturday, Dec. 20, 1997.

Mrs. Wyckoff was born in Penn Township, Pa. She was a graduate of Passavant Hospital's School of Nursing and became a registered nurse in 1925. She worked for a time at Cottage Hospital after she had raised her children.

Mrs. Wyckoff was a homemaker and an active member

of her church for more than 50 years. Those who knew her said she was always helping others. She was a 40-year member of the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary, a member of the Engineer's Wives of Detroit, had volunteered in a number of school, church and Girl Scout activities and most recently volunteered for the Friends of Vision.

She is survived by two daughters, Marilyn J. Read and Nancy W. Mackintosh, and was predeceased by her hus-

band, Homer Wyckoff, and a son, David John Wyckoff.

A private burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were made by the Chas. Verheyden, Inc. Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the Friends of Vision, 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Mich. 48230, or to Cottage Hospice, 23000 Mack Ave., St. Clair Shores, Mich. 48080, or Grosse Pointe United Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236.

Vote-by-mail OK'd

The Michigan House of Representatives approved a proposal to make vote-by-mail a reality in Michigan. House Democrats declared that mail-in ballots will improve voting efficiency by upgrading an arcane system originally designed for 19th century elections.

"We can't expect a system designed during a time when only men could vote to meet the changing demands of today's families," House Speaker Curtis Hertel (D-Detroit) said. "We must move into the 21st century with a system which allows more people to participate in our democratic process."

Under the proposal passed by the House, the secretary of state, in conjunction with local governments, will conduct six to eight pilot projects on the local level between 1999 and 2003. Beginning in 2004 local governments will be able to hold local mail-in elections, and the secretary of state may hold statewide elections by mail.

"Voters in Oregon are mailing in their ballots, making better informed votes from the comfort of their homes," said Representative Sharon Gire (D-Clinton Township), sponsor of the bill. "Michigan voters, too, deserve the highest accessibility to the ballot."

Democrats, wary of concerns over voter fraud, have built in a series of protections to help guarantee clean elections:

- All ballots will be sent to registered voters by non-forwardable mail with a preaddressed return envelope and a secrecy envelope, and records will be kept of any replacement ballots sent or received to guard against "double-voting."

- Election officials will process a ballot only if it is returned in the return identification envelope, the return identification envelope is signed by the voter and the signature has been verified against the signature on the voter's registration card.

- Finally, penalties are provided for those persons who use force or other means to unduly influence a voter to vote in a particular manner, or attempt to keep a voter from voting in an election by mail.

A study in which Secretary of State Candice Miller endorsed found that one of the benefits would be reduced costs per voter.

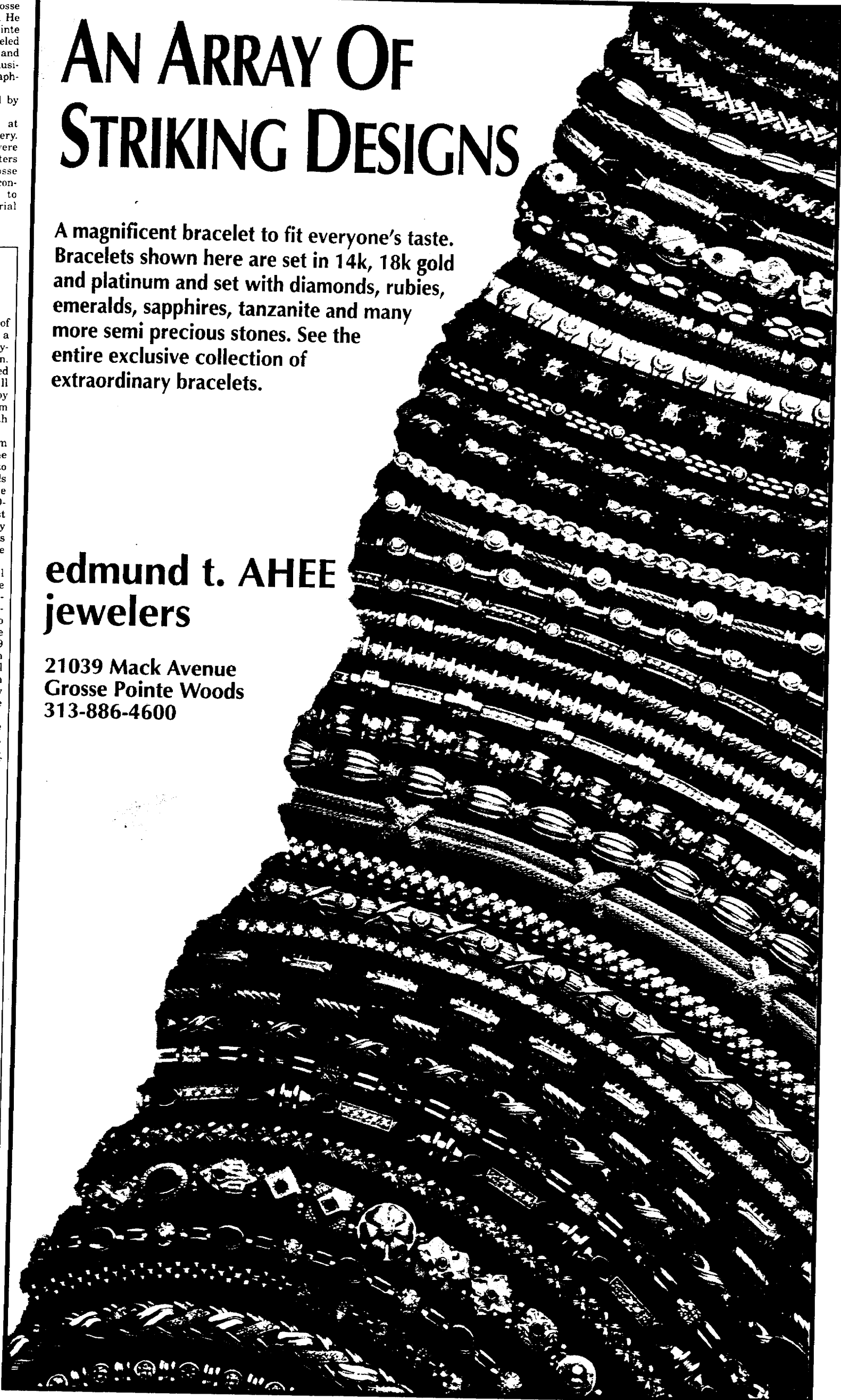
Democrats view vote-by-mail as the first step toward constructing an elections system for the future which takes into account the hectic lifestyles of modern American families.

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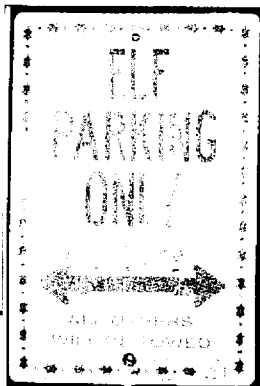
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Celebrating the season



Photos by Rosh Sillars

Grosse Pointers decorate their homes for the holidays in a variety of ways — from elaborate nativity scenes surrounded by twinkling lights; to replicas of snowmen and candy canes; to classic holiday wreaths decked with bright red bows, seasonal banners and flags even parking signs for Santa's helpers.



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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.

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Patrick Dandy

Popova- Dandy

Olesya Valerevna Popova, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Popova of Moscow, Russia, married Jason Patrick Dandy, son of Joseph and Alice Dandy of Grosse Pointe Woods, on Aug. 1, 1997, in the garden room of the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center.

The bride is a student at Moscow State University and the groom earned a degree in Asian studies from the University of Michigan.

The newlyweds live in Russia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Thomas O'Neil

Krag- O'Neil

Wendy Colby Krag, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Brace Krag of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Charles Thomas O'Neil of Santa Fe, N.M., son of Mrs. J. Truman Bidwell and Stephen O'Neil of New York City, on Oct. 11, 1997, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

The Rev. Michael Foley officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe Club.

The bride wore a gown of silk satin and Alencon lace that featured a scoop neckline, a lace

midriff and a full pleated skirt. Her veil was held by a pleated silk barette decorated with an antique lace butterfly.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Kent Little of Santa Fe. The maid of honor was Karen Rahm of Aspen, Colo.

Bridesmaids were Beth Olt of New York City; Tricia Petzold of Hanover, N.H.; Mrs. Andrew Smith of Birmingham; Athena Pappas of San Francisco; Mrs. David Fitzsimons and Cameron Yates of San Francisco.

Attendants wore long navy sleeveless dresses and carried nosegays of roses.

The best man was the groom's brother, Stephen O'Neil of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

Groomsmen were Toby Martin of St. Louis; Kent Little, Rufo DiCarpegna, Granville Greene and Baird Ryan, all of Santa Fe; Whitney Armstrong of San Francisco; Reginald Thors, John Gates and Dan Dougherty, all from Boston.

The ringbearers were Harry and Elliot Frank.

The mother of the bride wore a seafoam green dress with a jacket.

The groom's mother wore a tea-length blue chiffon dress.

Scripture readers were Mrs. W. Brace Krag, Mrs. Stephen O'Neil and Lincoln Frank.

The bride graduated from Denison University. She is a silversmith.

The groom graduated from Skidmore College. He is an artist.

The newlyweds traveled to Hawaii. They live in Santa Fe.

Brady- DeSeranno

Melissa Kendra Brady, daughter of Mike and Jan Brady of Grosse Pointe Shores, married Don Joseph DeSeranno, son of Don DeSeranno of Las Vegas and Susan DeSeranno of St. Clair Shores, on Sept. 6, 1997, at St. Paul Catholic Church.

The bride's great-uncle, the

Mr. and Mrs. Don Joseph
DeSeranno

Rev. Peter S. Lentine, and Monsignor Ferdinand DeCneud officiated at the 3 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Andiamo Banquet Center.

The bride wore a sleeveless white satin gown with soutache detailing on the bodice.

The maid of honor was Danielle Savin of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Bridesmaids were the groom's sisters, Maria DeSeranno of Cleveland, Celia DeSeranno of Clinton Township, and Aline DeSeranno and Susie DeSeranno, both of St. Clair Shores.

Attendants wore floor-length sleeveless periwinkle gowns.

The best man was Jon Ugval of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Groomsmen were Kirt Graves of Harper Woods; Tom O'Brien of Rochester; and the bride's brothers, Sean and Paul Brady, both of Grosse Pointe Shores.

The ringbearer was the groom's brother, Dante DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Park.

The mother of the bride wore a two-piece mint green satin suit for the ceremony, and a beaded black and white dress at the reception.

Dave Wagner was the organist; Judith Zorn was the soloist; and readers were Derek Stevens, Danielle Savin and Tony Vitale.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree in American studies from Miami University. She teaches dance at Angela Kennedy Dance Studio.

The groom earned a bachelor of science degree in finance from Miami University. He is a financial adviser with Morgan Stanley Dean Witter.

The couple honeymooned in Maui, Hawaii. They live in Rochester Hills.

DeLuca- Pytell

Danielle Marie DeLuca, daughter of Dr. Anthony and Marie DeLuca of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Robert Michael Pytell, son of the Hon. Robert and Mrs. Laurie Pytell of Grosse Pointe Farms, on Aug. 2, 1997, at the Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel.

The Rev. Terence J. Langley officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The bride wore a princess-style gown of white silk satin that featured an Empire waist, a bodice of embroidered silk organza and pearls and a cathedral-length train. She carried a bouquet of white gardenias and stephanotis created to look like the bridal bouquet carried by her mother 30 years earlier.

The maid of honor was Erika D. Soby of Delaware, Ohio.

Bridesmaids were Shelly H. Nicholson of Quito, Ecuador; Tracy E. Costigan of Philadelphia; and Arielle M. King of Bethesda, Md.

Attendants wore ivory and black gowns with Empire waists and carried bouquets of blue delphiniums, miniature purple irises, cerise roses and ivy.

The best man was Jeffrey Bosley of San Francisco.

Groomsmen were Christopher T. Mazur of Bloomfield Hills; Glenn C. Stevens of Grosse Pointe Woods; George Bourrias of Grosse Pointe Shores; and the bride's brothers, Anthony L. DeLuca and Lawrence M. DeLuca, both of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Robert Pytell and
Danielle DeLuca-Pytell

The mother of the bride wore a long fitted royal blue silk satin gown with an Empire waist and a matching jacket accented with Austrian crystals.

The mother of the groom wore a periwinkle blue ankle-length gown with a bodice encrusted with sequins and a pleated silk skirt.

Readers were Mark Pytell and Dr. William Pollack. The intentions were offered by Rachel Antell and Julia Sobol. The offering was presented by Mary Beth and Paul Agase and Mark and Ann Pytell.

The bride graduated from Tufts University and is a medical student at Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine.

The groom graduated from Michigan State University and is an account manager with Telesource.

The couple honeymooned in Akumal, Mexico. They live in Grand Blanc.

Engagements

Suzannah Shaw Maycock
and Michael Vernon Brown

Maycock- Brown

Joseph and Peggy Maycock of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Suzannah Shaw Maycock, to Michael Vernon Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheppard Brown of Mashpee, Mass. A May wedding is planned.

Maycock earned a bachelor of arts degree from Hamilton College. She is manager of legal personnel with Nale and Dorr.

Brown earned a bachelor of arts degree from Williams College. He is senior account associate with Fidelity Asset Management & Trust Group.

Marks earned a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and a minor in management from Miami University.

Edwards earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Northwood University. He is a computer programmer with EDS.

Herschelmann- Finazzo

Joseph Finazzo and
Linda Herschelmann

Donald Herschelmann of Grosse Pointe Farms has announced the engagement of his daughter, Linda Herschelmann, to Joseph Finazzo, son of Gerry and Eileen Finazzo of the City of Grosse Pointe. A June wedding is planned.

Herschelmann earned a bachelor of arts degree from Eastern Michigan University in elementary education, early childhood education and special education. She is a special education teacher.

Finazzo earned a bachelor of science degree from Michigan State University in food systems management and economics. He is owner and operator of a Papa Ramanos restaurant.

Dauphin- Prokop

Marilyn Brett Dauphin of St. Clair Shores has announced the engagement of her daughter, Anne Elizabeth Dauphin, to Adam Prokop, son of Stan and Margie Prokop of Grosse Pointe Farms. An October wedding is planned.

Locniskar- Parker

Jacqueline Addis of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Dana Locniskar of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Louise Locniskar, to Stephen Joseph Parker, son of Myra Corington of San Francisco and Joseph Parker of Temecula, Calif. A May wedding is planned.

Locniskar graduated from Hillsdale College with a bachelor of arts degree in French and Spanish, and from Michigan State University with a master's degree in journalism. She is the sports editor with Ingham Newspaper Co. in Lansing.

Parker earned an associate of arts degree from Chamade

Stephen Joseph Parker and
Dawn Louise Locniskar

University of Honolulu. He currently is pursuing a bachelor degree in computer science from Michigan State University. He is a computer operator.

McCormick- Martin

Dr. and Mrs. E. Dalton Black of Grosse Pointe Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Timothy McCormick of Warren have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie McCormick, to Timothy Baird Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Timothy Baird Martin and
Lisa Marie McCormick

Theodore Martin of Cincinnati. A June wedding is planned.

McCormick earned a bachelor of science degree in family and child studies from Miami University and a master of education degree in agency and community counseling from Xavier University. She is a career counselor.

Martin earned a bachelor of science degree in general business from Miami University and a master's degree in business administration from Xavier University. He is a marketing manager in Cincinnati.

Kane-

Jimenez

Dr. and Mrs. Edward G. Kane of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth A. Kane, to Joaquin Jimenez, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Joaquin Jimenez and
Elizabeth A. Kane

Luis Jimenez of Malaga, Spain. A May wedding is planned.

Kane earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from the University of Michigan. She teaches English as a foreign language in Malaga.

Jimenez earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics from the University of Malaga. He is a CPA and senior audit manager with Deloitte Touche in Malaga.

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The Pastor's Corner In the flesh

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

Your gifts are bought and wrapped. The plans for Christmas day are set. You know just when you will get to see each family member. Maybe you even have a time in mind when you will share a time of worship.

Possibly you would be willing to take just a moment to consider what is behind all this fuss.

The idea that is central to the annual celebration we call Christmas is the distinctly Christian concept of incarnation.

Early in its history, the Christian church recognized the importance of incarnation and moved to place this meaning onto an already existing mid-winter festival.

Today, much of our celebration is linked most closely to the ethnic cultures of which we are a part. But behind and in the stuff of this holiday is the insistent Christian belief in incarnation.

The stories of Jesus' birth are somewhat remarkable in themselves, but become truly distinctive in the light of the earlier prophecies and later teaching by which Christians understand this birth.

Jesus' birth is the taking on of actual human flesh by the creator God. Christmas is a statement of the central truth that God has become fully human.

The early Christians recognized that this item of faith crucially separated their religion from the other religions. In fact, they recognized that it made them like oil unable to mix with the water around them.

For one thing, if God became really human, then to start with God was outside the human experience. Any system which placed the divine as residing somewhere in every human spirit just would not fit with real Christian faith.

But also, if God became human, then God has affirmed the basic value of living human. Any system that denies the unique value of humanity does not mesh with the deepest Christian spirit. Humans may be badly in need of redirection and re-furbishing, but there is a basic value in living truly human. Incarnation affirms the character of human living within Christianity.

And it is also true that if God became human, the character of God includes a shocking humility.

Any system which considers the divine to be either an impersonal fate or an aloof and irate being of power, cannot exist within the Christian faith.

God is willing to bend all the way down to humanity where He is really needed. God is neither a silly old senile person off in a corner somewhere, nor a flashing power to be avoided whenever possible.

Christmas exists to remind us that God who made us has become one of us in order to save us.

Christmas is a time for gifts, feasts, family and children. But before all else, Christmas is a time to remember, to ponder and to believe again.

Family features

by Madeleine Socia

DIA family fun

The Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward in Detroit, offers a host of educational and entertaining family fun events. Children, ages 5 and above, can enjoy a free Family Theatre presentation of Ancient Echoes: Tales from Egypt on Friday, Dec. 26 or Monday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. On Tuesday, Dec. 30, at 2 p.m., youngsters can experience the free enchanting Puppets To Go presentation of Cinderella. Call (313) 833-4249.

Holidays of yesteryear

The Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood, in Dearborn, brings Christmas of yesteryear to life with model railroads, a gingerbread village, decorated trees, hands-on activities, music and more during their Traditions of the Season celebration, through Sunday, Jan. 4.

The Henry Ford Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$12.50 for adults, \$11.50 for seniors age 62 and above and \$6.25 for children ages five to 12. Call (313) 271-1620.

Science fun

Make learning fun during the holidays with The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Living Science Day Camps. Children, ages 4 to 7, can experience the natural wonder of Australia with Camp Down Under, Monday, Dec. 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Tuesday, Dec. 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., students, ages 6 to 12, can find out more about their fine feathered friends with Flights Of Fantasy.

The fee is \$65 per program. Advanced registration is required. Call (313) 881-7511.

Learning fun

Register now for the exciting educational children's programs in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Winter catalog. Students can expand their communication skills with Advanced Sign Language for Kids, ages 7 to 12, Saturdays, Jan. 10 to Jan. 24, from 10 to 11 a.m. The fee is \$22. Dancers, ages 5 to 9, can get into step with Tap Dancing, Saturdays, Jan. 10 through Feb. 28, from 1 to 1:45 p.m., or Jazz dance classes, on those same dates, from 2 to 2:45 p.m. The fee is \$40 for each course or \$75 for the combined courses. Little actors and actresses can partake in a Grosse Pointe Children's Theater Workshop, Fridays, from 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Jan. 16 through March 21. Students will be placed according to age and experience. Registration is on Saturday, Jan. 10, from 10 to 11:15 a.m., for new Grade School students; 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., for new Middle School students; 1 to 2:15 p.m. for returning Grade School students or 2:15 to 3:30 p.m. for returning Middle and High School students. The fee is \$100 for eight weeks. Skiers in Grades 6 to 12 should sign up now for the Ski High Club trip to Pine Knob on Friday, Jan. 9, from 4:15 to 11:30 p.m. Membership is \$20, fees vary. Snowbirds Ski Club members, ages 5 through 14, can also register now for their Saturday, Jan. 10, trip to Pine Knob, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Membership is \$50 per person or \$125 for families, fees vary. Preregistration is required for most programs. Call (313) 881-7511.

Kids' club

Let your children, in kindergarten through grade 5, enjoy Bible lessons, art projects, crafts, games and snacks,

while you savor some free time for free, with Break Time Kids' Club at the First United Methodist Church, 24036 Greater Mack in St. Clair Shores. Orientation will be held on Saturday, Jan. 3, at 5:25 p.m. Reservations are limited. Call (810) 447-0915.

Train show

Little engineers can find all the latest models and accessories along with expert advice on collecting, appraisals and repairs during the Glancy Train Show, Saturday, Dec. 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward in Detroit. Museum admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for seniors and children, ages 12 to 18. Call (313) 833-1805.

Film festival

Entertain your junior cinema buff with the Grosse Pointe Public Library's Winter Film Festival 1997/1998, through Thursday, Jan. 29. Screenings will be held from 4 to 5 p.m., on Tuesdays at the Grosse Pointe Woods Branch, 20600 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods; Wednesdays at the Central Branch, 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms and Thursdays at the Park Branch, 15430 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 343-2074.

Zoo shines

The Detroit Zoo, on Woodward at 10 Mile in Royal Oak, will shine with 350,000 strung bulbs on 50 animated animal displays along a half-mile Wild Lights trail, through Tuesday, Dec. 30.

The display is open daily, except holidays, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Regular admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children ages

2 to 12, children under the age of 2 enter free. Detroit Zoological Society members pay \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Call (248) 541-5717.

Science fun

The Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R in Detroit, offers entertaining and educational family fun. Now showing, on a rotating hourly schedule in the Center's IMAX Dome Theater, are the thrilling films Super Speedway, Special Effects and Destiny in Space. The Detroit Science Center is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday from 12:30 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The IMAX Theater is open until 9 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths ages 3 to 17 and seniors over the age of 60. Call (313) 577-8400.

Entertaining experiments

The Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 N. Woodward in Bloomfield Hills, makes learning fun with a total hands-on experience in the physical sciences via 26 interactive stations displayed in an Experiment Gallery, through Sunday, Jan. 4. Also running through Sunday, Jan. 4, is a photography exhibit capturing the complex components of modern communication technology, Microscopes: The Hidden Art of High Technology. The Museum is open Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

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The new year is a good chance for a fresh start

By Dr. Muhammed Beeai
Special Writer

At one time or another we have all made those famous (or infamous, perhaps) New Year's resolutions. The start of a new year seems like a natural opportunity for a fresh start and yet, 50 to 60 percent of people who make these resolutions will not be able to keep them.



Dr. Muhammed Beeai

The top ten resolutions I most often hear patients make are to:

1. Start exercising
2. Eat better/more healthy
3. Quit smoking
4. Quit/reduce alcohol consumption
5. Reduce stress
6. Start getting yearly checkups
7. Lower cholesterol
8. Get up-to-date on vaccinations for themselves and their children
9. Get more regular sleep

10. Complete an advance directive form (a legal document that provides your physician with instructions on what types of medical care to withhold in case of an incapacitating illness).

Most people have the best intentions when it comes to these kinds of resolutions. Why then, do so many fail?

For many, failure is the result of unrealistic expectations. For example, instead of cutting back gradually on eating, drinking or smoking, some people will binge right up to the holiday and then expect to be able to quit or drastically cut back on Jan. 1.

This is unrealistic because any addiction, such as overeating and tobacco or alcohol consumption, requires a concerted effort to address.

A more realistic approach would be to set small goals and gradually cut back instead of trying to stop "cold turkey."

For others, it is a lack of family support. People who have the support of friends and family to keep their resolutions usually have greater success in achieving their goals. Imagine, for example, trying to diet in a home that is filled with potato chips, rich desserts and ice cream. How much more successful would that person be if everyone in the house decided to eat healthier by limiting the purchase of sweets?

Still others simply have a lack of will. Perhaps it is because they have tried and failed before and now assume that they are doomed to failure again.

To all of these people, I say: "Never quit quitting." Instead, talk with your doctor and try to find out the reasons why you tend to overeat, drink too much or why you don't feel motivated to exercise. Your doctor can help you to find out if there may be an underlying cause for your inability to hold to your resolutions (e.g., depression, pre-menstrual syndrome, or stress and frustration).

I also suggest to patients who have made these kinds of resolutions that they begin talking with others who have been or are going through the same things. There are many excellent support groups for people who, for example, eat or drink too much.

One of the things people generally learn from these support groups is that there is always someone worse off. It's much easier to develop greater willpower when you can share your own personal experiences with others.

But perhaps the most effective way to stick with your resolutions is to gain a better understanding of how your behaviors are impacting your health. For example, I like to let patients who are smokers use my stethoscope to listen to their own lungs and then listen to the lungs of a non-smoker. I also remind patients of how their health habits may be negatively impacting their family's health. After all, how can we expect our children to not drink or smoke if we do?

Before you make those New Year's resolutions this year, make visiting your doctor your first step toward a healthier and happier lifetime. Then, be realistic about your resolutions, get the support of your family and friends, and be determined.

Dr. Beeai (pronounced "Bay") is board certified in internal medicine and is a teaching core faculty member on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. He is a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information about preventive health services available at St. John, call St. John HealthLine at (888) 757-5463.

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Don't let stress lead to heart attack

The holidays are here. It's a time for shopping, for family gatherings... and for stressful situations. To cope with those stressful situations, many people turn to increased alcohol consumption and overeating. Mix stress with fatty foods and alcohol and you have an increased risk for heart attack.

Researchers don't yet know the role that stress plays in the development of heart disease. High cholesterol, however, is a major risk factor for heart attack and high levels of alcohol can raise blood pressure and fats in the blood.

One thing is for sure, stress can certainly dampen holiday spirits. Here are five things that individuals can do to lower their stress levels at this time of year:

1. Schedule your shopping over several days, rather than choosing to do it all in one day.
2. Don't turn to unhealthy habits such as drinking alcohol, smoking and overeating to

handle the stress.

3. Choose what and how much you eat thoughtfully. The fast-paced holiday season often results in overeating.

4. Monitor your intake of alcohol. High consumption of alcohol, which acts as a diuretic, thickens the blood. When combined with eating a large meal, it increases stress on the heart.

5. Take time to relax during the holidays. Take a walk, read a book, watch your favorite movie.

Just a few modifications in a person's behavior during the holiday season can have tremendous impact. Unfortunately, hospitals and emergency response teams see a marked increase of patients exhibiting chest pains and heart attack symptoms during this time of year.

If someone does have symptoms of a heart attack, make

sure to seek help immediately.

Remember the following heart attack symptoms: uncomfortable pressure, fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back; pain that spreads to the shoulders, neck or arms; and chest discomfort with lightheadedness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath.

"Not all of these symptoms occur in every attack," said Dr. Charles Webb, past president of the American Heart

Association. "In some cases, they may subside and then return. The key is taking the warning signs seriously. Time is critical. The longer blood does not flow to the heart, the longer the heart muscle is deprived of oxygen. Without oxygen, the muscle tissue dies."

To find out more about the warning signs of heart attack and stroke, contact the American Heart Association's Metro Detroit Area office at (248) 557-9500.

Here's how to treat yourself to good health

If you're like most people, your growing list of holiday chores probably has you wishing it was July. But by adding just one more thing to your "to do" list — yes, adding — you can help relieve your holiday stress and even increase your energy level.

Add exercise — a gift to yourself this holiday season that's more valuable than anything you can buy.

Not only can exercise reduce stress, it also helps limit weight gain and may protect us from certain types of cancers.

Although exercising during these chilly, food-filled weeks can seem difficult, losing those extra pounds we typically gain during the holiday season or returning to our exercise routine after several weeks off may prove to be even more challenging. The American Institute for Cancer Research has some tips on how to keep exercise a priority.

One important strategy for staying on track during the holidays, as well as all year round, is to dedicate part of each day to exercise. Pick a specific time of day, like early morning before the kids are up, when you won't be distracted by lingering chores. If you choose a time that doesn't work, try another time until you find one that works best, then make it a regular part of your daily schedule.

If you decide to continue outdoor exercise, such as brisk walking or jogging, remember to layer your clothes and wear gloves and a hat. Always exercise indoors when temperatures and wind chill are dangerously low.

Winter months and the holi-

days also offer great opportunities for outdoor exercise that family and friends can enjoy together — like skiing, sledding and ice skating. These activities can provide a nice change of pace to a regular exercise routine.

A brisk walk with the family on Christmas morning or on New Year's Eve, before partaking in a heavy holiday feast, can become a family tradition that children will carry on to the next generation.

If frosty weather isn't for you, try moving your exercise indoors during winter months, making it less likely that you'll skip it.

An easy way to start is to buy an exercise video. Different skill levels are available from beginner to advanced and the exercises are easy to do in the privacy of your own living room.

Stationary bikes, treadmills and stair steppers will help you get a good workout and burn extra calories, too. As with all exercise programs, be sure to have proper shoes and a doctor's approval if you've had prior health problems.

When it comes to exercising and maintaining your preholiday weight, planning ahead is always beneficial. If you're going to a party and intend to indulge in your favorite high fat holiday treats, remember to increase your exercise time and/or intensity to allow for the extra calorie intake.

To receive a free brochure with more tips on exercise and losing weight, send a business-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope to the American Institute for Cancer Research, Dept. TD, P.O. Box 97167, Washington, D.C. 20090-7167.

Humane society offers hints for pet care during the holidays

The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) suggests that pet owners heed the following tips to ensure that their furry family members enjoy the holiday season:

• You may think that a pet would be a wonderful gift for a friend, neighbor or family member, but the hectic holiday season is a bad time to consider adding a pet to any household. The HSUS recommends waiting until after the holiday season to adopt that new pet, and allowing the potential pet owner to be fully involved in the decision. For those contemplating pet adoption, great gifts could include videos and books on pet care, collars and leashes, toys, beds, and other pet-related paraphernalia. Many animal shelters offer gift certificates for pet adoption (approval of the adopter is required). Local veterinary hospitals may also offer gift certificates for spay/neuter surgery and other health care procedures a new pet will need.

• Keep holiday trimmings away from pets. Ribbons, tinsel, and garlands can be swallowed, causing damage to a pet's stomach and intestines. Fragile ornaments, candles, and electrical cords can cause injuries. Dr. Leslie Sinclair, veterinarian and

HSUS director for companion animal care, warns that some holiday plants can be poisonous to pets as well.

• Aspirin can preserve your Christmas tree but is toxic to your cat if he or she drinks the water from the tree stand. Avoid aspirin and cover the water with foil to reduce your pet's access.

• Don't share your holiday feast with your four-legged friend. Chocolate can be toxic to dogs and cats, turkey bones can cause choking, and fatty foods lead to painful pancreatitis.

• Parties are fun for people, but your pets can easily become overexcited or scared. Party food may also pose a threat to your dog or cat. Move pets to a quiet room away from guests and noise.

• For holiday travel, leaving your pet at home may be the best option for the whole family. Hire a professional pet sitter to care for your pets while you're away. If you plan to take your pet with you, be sure that he or she has a secure identification tag with your name and two phone numbers — your home number and the phone number at your destination.

If you and your pet are separated, proper identification is your furry friend's ticket home.

Pride of the Pointes

Lisa K. Manardo, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Manardo of Grosse Pointe Park, earned a master's degree in architecture from the University of Michigan College of Architecture. Manardo graduated with high distinction and was first in her class. She also received the Marian Sara Parker Award for excellence and the Henry Adams AIA medal.

Jessica Lovelace of the City of Grosse Pointe, daughter of Lynn and Daryl Lovelace, joined Alpha Delta Pi sorority at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Duncan McMillan and Andrea Sawaya, both of Grosse Pointe Farms, and Adrienne Van Tiem of Grosse Pointe Park, graduated from Western Michigan University after the summer term.

Navy Seaman Patrick M. Smith, son of F. Michael and Pamela B. Smith of the City of Grosse Pointe, recently depart-

ed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

Pamela Atkinson and Bernadette Thompson, both of Grosse Pointe Woods, recently graduated from Madonna University.

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Gaylord gets a new family attraction for race car fans

A few years ago, a new "museum" opened in Gaylord. There was hardly any fuss or furor, and despite its flashy design and good location on a well-traveled street just off I-75, few people took notice.

Then a couple of months ago, the All American Race Car Museum Cafe opened and — voila! — it has already become a popular hangout for visitors and locals alike. All it took was some great malts and burgers.

The place is so well-designed that on first visit, I thought it must be a franchise. But, no, owner David Neilson (who lives in Gaylord) used to be a race car driver and wanted a place to show off his race car collection. So now his little complex consists of the museum (which contains more than 20 cars), a large shop featuring all sorts of racing-related clothing and gear, plus the cafe... done up as a 1950s diner.

And the food, I'm happy to report, is quite good and well-priced. (I knew it would be so after it passed the cole slaw test... if the slaw is good, you

know what follows will be tasty.)

The cafe serves both lunch and dinner — steaks, chops, ribs and chicken for about \$10 a meal. Its jukebox is also fun — it plays tunes from the 1950s.

The so-called museum is



By Cynthia Boal-Janssens

free and not only shows off cars but also presents videos on a multi-media screen. Some of the featured cars include the Ford Thunderbird driven by Bill Elliott while he was dominating the NASCAR circuit in the 1980s and the Pontiac driven by Rusty Wallace that appeared in the

movie "Days of Thunder."

There are also dirt cars that were driven on northern Michigan tracks and a child-sized dragster. Wall displays include memorabilia from famous drivers, tracks and racing teams.

If you have kids with you, be prepared to spend some money in the Racer's Edge Gift Shop. The models of the Mac Tools World of Outlaws sprint car sell for \$19.95, but they are nifty.

The All American Race Car Museum and Cafe is located at 980 S. Wisconsin, near Gaylord's two other major attractions — the Call of the Wild wildlife museum and the Big Buck Brewery. It is open year around, seven days a week. Winter hours are 10:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; there will be extended hours in the summer, when the cafe will be offering car-hop service outside. That's going to be fun. Phone (800) 501-RACE for details.

Elsewhere in Gaylord, Treetops Sylvan Resort is gearing up for its ski season

and just about everyone in town is waiting for the annual onslaught of snowmobilers. Gaylord is a fun place in the winter, with a nice little downtown for shopping and a number of good places to eat.

For lunch, I would recommend Diana's or Arlene's Diner, both located on Main Street. Other best bets: The Big Buck Brewery, the Gobbler, and the above-men-

tioned Race Car Cafe.

For dinner, try Schlang's for excellent German food, the Blue Goose for gourmet (yes, really, Gaylord does finally have a really fine dining restaurant), Pontresina for upscale Italian, Marsh Ridge for cosmopolitan and the Sugar Bowl for a large menu with some Greek specialties.

If you are willing to drive a bit for some great home-

cooked food, then I suggest that you head out M-32 to The Old Depot in Johannesburg. Everything is good here, but be sure to order a piece of pie — a la mode, of course. They are all homemade and make the drive worth it.

Grosse Pointe News travel columnist Cynthia Boal-Janssens is president of the Society of American Travel Writers.

New releases feature DSO's finest

Three Detroit Symphony Orchestra music directors (one current, two past) show their stuff in old recordings freshly re-mastered onto compact discs.

Music of Lalo, Barraud and Chausson
Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Paul Paray conducting (Mercury Living Presence released by Philips)

Rating: ★★★★★ (out of 4)
French maestro Paul Paray served as music director of the DSO from 1952-63. During those years he transformed the orchestra into one of the world's major ensembles. These performances of offbeat French repertoire demonstrate the high level he attained.

The original recordings come from the late 1950s. Eduardo Lalo's "Le roi d'Ys" Overture and "Namouna" suite were recorded in Orchestra Hall in 1958; Henry Barraud's "Offrande a une ombre" in Ford Auditorium in 1957; Ernest Chausson's Symphony in B-flat in Orchestra Hall in 1956.

Chausson's three-movement symphony, composed in 1890, is the strongest piece. The music shows the influence of Cesar Franck, his Belgian-born teacher whose famed Symphony in D-Minor was premiered two years earlier.

But there is also a unique individuality at work that makes its general neglect questionable, especially when played with the authentic French flair Paray draws from the DSO.

Henry Barraud's "Offrande a une ombre" was composed during World War II and is dedicated to the memory of Maurice Jaubert, a friend of the composer killed during the retreat from Alsace in 1940, and to Barraud's brother Jean, who was shot by the Gestapo four years later.

It is a somber piece with tragic overtones emphasizing the futility of war and the frustration of senseless death. Paray leads the DSO through its measures with reverent respect.

The Overture to Lalo's "Le

roi d'Ys" is the only portion of that opera performed with any frequency outside France these days. Paray details its merits beautifully. He also shows that the five-movement "Namouna" suite, drawn from music Lalo composed for a failed ballet, deserves an airing now and then.

There's a bonus track featuring Arensky's Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky re-mastered from a 1958 recording with the Philharmonia Hungarica.

Tchaikovsky: Concerto No. 1; Saint-Saens: Concerto No. 2

Grigory Sokolov, pianist, USSR Symphony Orchestra, Neeme Jarvi conducting (BMG Classics)

Rating: ★★★★★
This recording, originally recorded in Moscow in 1966-67, is one of six under the general title "Neeme Jarvi: The Early Recordings." In a message to listeners contained in the liner notes, Jarvi expresses thanks to BMG Classics for making "the Melodiya recordings and the Soviet era in the history of Russian music known to listeners in the West."

Given the termination of Jarvi's recording contract on the Chandos label with the DSO, this set not only keeps his work in the public eye but also provides local listeners with an opportunity to experience his work several decades before he signed on in Detroit.

Most of the earmarks of his unique conducting style are present here: the sudden expansion of melodic lines, the emphasis on inner voices, the enthusiastically quick tempos that can bring an orchestra to the brink of catastrophe. One obvious plus in this particular CD is the opportunity to hear the brilliant Russian pianist Grigory Sokolov, who is slated to perform Rachmaninoff's Third Concerto with the DSO in March. He plays the popular Tchaikovsky and Saint-Saens concertos with great flair.

The repertoire on the remaining CDs in the series includes Brahms symphonies, Richard Strauss tone poems and choral music by Cherubini and Shostakovich. They are welcome additions to Jarvi's already huge discography.

The CD includes copious liner notes offering a detailed look at each symphony. While such notes might be helpful to some, listening to the brilliant way Dorati

reveals their content will tell you much more than mere words can.

The Overture to Lalo's "Le



By John Quinn

Tchaikovsky: Symphonies Nos. 1, 2 & 3
London Symphony Orchestra, Antal Dorati conducting (Mercury Living Presence released by Philips)

Rating: ★★★★★
The Hungarian-born Antal Dorati was music director of the DSO from 1977-81. These performances with the London Symphony were recorded in London in 1965 and appear in CD format for the first time here.

The first three Tchaikovsky symphonies (subtitled, respectively, "Winter Dreams," "Little Russian" and "Polish") are heard much less frequently than the last three. But they have some of the same charms, including emotionally-charged melodies, expansive climaxes and melancholic underpinnings.

Dorati clearly loves these works and lavishes on them a polished care only possible from a master conductor. The LSO's strings are especially resplendent, with a warmth that heats the composer's melodies to the proper boiling point.

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Easy appetizers for entertaining at home

Happy holidays. During this festive (hectic!) time of year we all enjoy visiting others as well as entertaining in our own homes.

The thought of having company, however, can lead to stress when you worry about what food to serve, if you'll have the time to prepare it, or if you can swing the cost of having someone prepare it for you. Fortunately, there are appetizers that are easy to prepare and you may even find some of the needed ingredients already on your pantry shelves.

I'm going to start with a grocery list of the basics and follow with different appetizer options that you can make from the list. Don't forget to check the cupboard to see what you already have.

The Grocery List:

- Refried beans
- Canned chili (with or without beans)
- Canned crabmeat or baby shrimp
- Salsa
- Cocktail sauce
- Shredded cheddar or Monterey Jack cheese
- Cream cheese
- Artichoke hearts
- Parmesan cheese
- Mayonnaise or Miracle Whip
- Frozen meatballs
- Grape jelly
- Chili sauce
- Velveeta cheese
- Tortilla chips
- Assorted crackers (Triscuits, etc.)

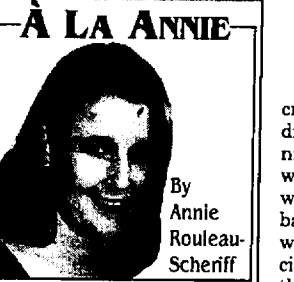
The recipes:

Refried Bean Dip
In a quiche or pie dish, spread refried beans (1 can), top with a layer of salsa and

sprinkle with shredded cheese (cheddar, Monterey Jack or both). Heat in a 300-350 degree oven until the cheese has melted. You may also top the dip with chopped onion or peppers before heating. Serve with tortilla chips.

Chili Cream Cheese Dip

In a quiche or pie dish spread softened cream cheese on the bottom and sides; then pour in one can of chili. Top with shredded cheese; add chopped onion if you wish. Heat in a 300-350 degree oven for 20 minutes or until the chili is warm throughout. I like to make this dip when I have leftover homemade chili. Serve with tortilla chips or crackers.



By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Velveeta Chili Dip

(as seen on TV)
In the microwave or on top of the stove, heat together a small package of Velveeta cheese and a can of chili until the mix is piping hot and smooth. Serve with tortilla chips.

Tangy Meatballs
In a pot on the stove, stir together equal parts of chili sauce and grape jelly. Heat mixture on medium until all

the jelly has melted. Stir in meatballs and toss well. Leave on low heat for several minutes until the meatballs are hot. Stir often.

(I chill the meatballs overnight and reheat before serving, for added flavor.) Serve with toothpicks.

Artichoke Dip

Chop up a jar or can of artichoke hearts (remove liquid and any hard pieces first). Add mayonnaise or Miracle Whip to make a creamy mix (1/2 to 3/4 cup, depending on how many artichokes you use). Stir in Parmesan cheese, to taste. Add a dash of minced garlic and a dash of pepper. Heat in 300-degree oven until warm (10 minutes or so). Serve with crackers or toast points.

Seafood Cream Cheese Spread

Turn an 8 oz. package of cream cheese onto a serving dish. (Leaf lettuce makes a nice underliner.) Smother with cocktail sauce and top with a can of crab meat or baby shrimp, drained. Serve with crackers or toast points circled around the edge of the serving dish. (When the cream cheese is half gone or so, you may add more cocktail sauce and another can of seafood.)

No, the above are not sophisticated gourmet appetizers. They all taste great, however. (I've tried them all.) They're also super easy to make. Also, you may alter any of the ingredients (or the amounts used) to suit your own personal taste.

Even the kids can join in the preparation of these tasty samplings.

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Thursday, Dec. 25 Merry Christmas!

Friday, Dec. 26 Holiday lights

Brighten up your holidays with the St. Clair Shores Parade Council's Nautical Nights of Light, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, behind Blossom Heath Inn, 24800 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Patrons will "cruise" through the park aboard land-bound freighters, sail and power boats. The display is open Sunday through Thursday, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, from 6 to 10 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children ages 2 to 10 or free for children under 2. Proceeds benefit the St. Clair Shores Memorial Day Parade. Call (810) 777-8301.

Jimmy's jams

Jam with jazz musician Shelia Landis at Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Friday, Dec. 26, at 10 p.m. On Saturday, Dec. 27, at that same time, rock with J. C. Whitelaw. Call (313) 886-8101.

Saturday, Dec. 27 Ramblers' Christmas

Make merry when The Baldock Mountain Ramblers bring their unique sound to A Christmas Corral at Sunrise Sunset Saloon, 15222 Charlevoix in Grosse Pointe Park, on Saturday, Dec. 27, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Call (313) 822-6080.

Sunday, Dec. 28 Sunday strings

Guitarist Chris Birg will accompany your favorite brews at The Daily Grind Coffee House, 20962 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, on Sunday, Dec. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. Call (313) 417-0020.

Wednesday, Dec. 31 Symphonic celebration

Ring in 1998 with the strains of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra with a gala celebration in Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward in Detroit, Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 9 p.m. A performance of Strauss, Bernstein and Weber music will be followed by dancing on stage to the Keith Saxton Sextet and all the traditional trimmings. Tickets range from \$25 to \$85. Call (313) 833-3700.

Assumption's celebration

Young parents won't want to miss this opportunity to celebrate the New Year without having to worry about child

care. The Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter in St. Clair Shores, offers cocktails, dinner, dancing and babysitting, on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50. Reservations are required. Call (810) 779-6111.

Champagne & laughter

The Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13102 Woodrow Wilson in Detroit, invites you to celebrate New Year's Eve with a bit of bubbly, elegant appetizers, a delicious buffet dinner and their production of the comedy, In the Sweet Bye and Bye, on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person. Call (313) 868-1347.

Operatic New Year

Launch 1998 with a performance of the Australian dance sensation Tap Dogs followed by hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing, brews from "down under" and a champagne toast at mid-night on the stage of the magnificent Detroit Opera House, 1526 Madison in Detroit, during a Wild Aussie New Year's Eve party, Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$150 per person. Call (313) 961-3500.

Party for parents

The St. Clair Shores Parents Without Partners, Chapter #1262, will host its annual New Year's Eve Party on Wednesday, Dec. 31, 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 \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Call (810) 772-9377.

Big Band Bash

Dance into the New Year to the sounds of Glenn Miller, the Dorsey Brothers, Benny Goodman and other favorites during a Big Band Dance on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lake Shore Presbyterian Church, 27801 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. The festivities also include a buffet dinner and nonalcoholic beverages. Tickets are \$30 per person. Call (810) 777-8533.

Fun run/walk

Put your best foot forward toward 1998 with the Belle Isle Runners' 28th Annual New Year's Eve Family Fun Run/Walk on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 3:30 p.m., leaving from the Belle Isle Casino, accessible via the MacArthur Bridge at E. Jefferson and E. Grand Boulevard in Detroit. Children, ages 12 and under, can enjoy a one-mile run/walk while adults can choose from a four-mile competitive race/walk or a four-mile fitness walk for all ages. In-line skaters are also welcome. The entry fee is \$12 for children before Saturday, Dec. 27 or \$15 on race day and \$17 for adults before Dec. 27 or

\$20 on race day. Participants, ages 21 and above, can party the night away after the race at the Casino for \$10. For race information, call (313) 886-5560. For party information, call (248) 545-3792.

Sunday, Jan. 4 Spiritual music

Let your spirits rise with the beauty of the Evensong performed by the Choir of Men and Boys of Christ Episcopal Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Sunday, Jan. 4, at 4:30 p.m. Call (313) 885-4841.

Monday, Jan. 5 Fit for '98

Begin 1998 with the Fitness Firm's Low Impact Aerobics, Monday, Jan. 5 through Thursday, Feb. 26. Morning classes will be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays, at 9:30 a.m., at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier. Evening sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 6:45 p.m., in the John F. Kennedy Public Library, 19601 Harper in Harper Woods. The fee is \$45, plus \$6 for new members. Call (313) 886-7534.

Tuesday, Jan. 6 Shape up

Get in shape with a free Weigh Down Workshop Orientation introducing an exciting 12-week course, on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at 9:15 a.m. or 7 p.m., in the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, 21336 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 537-1093.

Mark calendars... Thursday, Jan. 8 Film previews

Elliot Wilhelm, curator of the Department of Film and Video at the Detroit Institute of Arts, will offer a free preview of coming attractions for the DIA's Detroit Film Theatre 1998 Winter Series on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m., in the Central Branch of The Grosse Pointe Public Library, 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms. Reservations are required. Call (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

Friday, Jan. 9 Auto Show Afterglow

Continue, or join in, the fun of Detroit's most glamorous event, the 1998 Detroit Auto Dealers Association's North American International Auto Show Charity Preview, with The Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center's annual Auto Show Afterglow dinner dance on Friday, Jan. 9, at 8:30 p.m., in Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clairpointe in Detroit. Tickets are \$75. Proceeds benefit Children's Services of the Northeast Guidance Center. Call (313) 824-5699.

Live & Learn Courses & adventures

Enhance your mind, body and spirit by partaking in the courses and adventures listed in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Winter catalog. Discover the ancient art of Belly Dancing, Mondays, Jan. 5 through Feb. 23, from 7 to 8 p.m. The fee is \$60. Increase your energy with Xer-Stretch classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 6 to Jan. 29, from 9 to 10 a.m. The fee is \$32. Add beauty and grace to your every move with a Classical Ballet Workshop, Mondays and Tuesdays, Jan. 5 through Feb. 24, from 8:15 to 9:30 p.m. The fee is \$58 for one hour per week or \$100 for two hours per week. Relax with Hatha Yoga, Mondays, Jan. 5 to Jan. 26, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. for continuing students or 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. for beginners. The fee is \$40. Tighten and tone those muscles with Vitality Plus Exercise. Circuit Training will be offered on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Jan. 5 through Feb. 27, from 6:15 to 7:15 a.m. Vitality Plus Aerobics are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 6 through Feb. 26, from 6:25 to 7:25 p.m.; Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays, Jan. 5 through Feb. 27, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and Saturdays, Jan. 10 to Feb. 28, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Variety Workouts will be presented on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan.

6 through Feb. 26, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Fees are \$40 for eight classes; \$80 for 16 classes and \$109 for 24 classes. Call (313) 881-7511.

Chorus call

Answer the call of the St. Clair Shores Community Chorus to join in their May concert by attending their practice sessions, Mondays, Jan. 12 through Jan. 26, at 7:15 p.m., in Lakeshore Presbyterian Church. No auditions are needed. Call (810) 777-1347.

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, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, except for Christmas Day. 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 Year's eves. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors ages 60 and above and \$3 for children ages 12 and under. Reservations are required. Call (313) 884-4222.

Art of learning

The Detroit Institute of Arts offers a variety of entertaining and informative programs. Explore the Musical Instruments of Ancient Egypt during a free Drop-In Workshop on Friday, Dec. 26, from noon to 4 p.m. The free video presentation Mysterious Egypt will be shown at noon on Saturday, Dec. 27 and Tuesday, Dec. 30. Learn to write like an ancient Egyptian during a free Hieroglyphs Drop-In Workshop, from noon to 4 p.m., on Saturday, Dec. 27 and Wednesday, Dec. 31. Revel in Jewish lore during a free storytelling session entitled Light and Laughter, on Saturday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m. View the free video Great Cities of the Ancient World: The Pyramids and the Cities of the Pharaohs, on Sunday, Dec. 28 and Wednesday, Dec. 31, at noon. On Sunday, Dec. 28, partake in a free Cylinder Seals Drop-In Workshop from noon to 4 p.m. On that same date, enjoy the free video Kalakshetra - Devotion to Dance, at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. At 2 p.m., experience JaDu in a free concert of Indian music and dance. Mark your calendars for a free Amulets Drop-In Workshop on Monday, Dec. 29, from noon to 4 p.m. Slated for Tuesday, Dec. 30, from noon to 2 p.m., is a free Artist Demonstration, Paper-Cut Designs program. Travel back to the Renaissance on Wednesday, Dec. 31, from 2 to 4 p.m., with the music and dance of A New Year's Gift. Calliardi free concert. Call (313) 833-4249.

On Stage, Screen Lots of laughs

The Second City-Detroit Comedy Theatre, 2305 Woodward, 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.

Viennese operetta

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Classical series continues in Orchestra Hall Friday, Jan. 2 through Sunday, Jan. 4, when Conductor Robert Bernhardt, soprano Nancy Davis Booth and tenor Douglas Ahlstadt join the DSO in programs of Viennese operetta by Richard and Johann Strauss. Performances will be on Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. Tickets range from \$17 to \$60. Call (313) 833-3700.

by Madeleine Socia Down under dance

The hottest import from down under, Australia's dance sensation Tap Dogs, turns up at the Detroit Opera House, Friday, Dec. 26 through Sunday, Jan. 4. Performances will be offered on Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 3 and 7 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$21.50 to \$36. Call (313) 961-3500.

Music & more

The Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield in Clinton Township, offers a star-studded season of music, comedy and drama. Rogers and Hammerstein's classic fable of love and redemption, Carousel, will charm audiences Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 9, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 10, at 2:30 and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$29 for adults and \$26 for students and seniors. Call (810) 286-2222.

Holiday 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, through Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward. Performances are slated for Friday at 2 and 8 p.m. and Saturday at 1, 4 and 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$10 to \$50. Call (248) 645-6666.

Romantic comedy

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 Theatre. Performances will be on Wednesday at 2 p.m., Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$10 to \$17. Call (313) 577-2972.

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, 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. A special holiday performance is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 to \$58. Call (248) 645-6666.

Country comedy

The Detroit Repertory Theatre 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.

Rockin' 98

Rock into 1998 with Barenaked Ladies on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 9 p.m., in the Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Drive in Auburn Hills. Tickets range from \$25.50 to \$32.50. Call (248) 645-6666.

Meadow Brook marquee

The spirits of Christmas past, present and future change Scrooge's lonely life in Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, through Sunday, Dec. 28, at the Meadow Brook Theatre. Performances are scheduled for Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2, 6 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 6:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$23 to \$33. The Meadow

Brook Theater is located on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester. Call (248) 645-6666.

Exhibits & Sales Pastel landscapes

Pastels of the English countryside by British landscape pointillist Marilyn Bouskila are highlighted at Gallerie 454, 15105 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Exhibition hours are Thursday and Friday from noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call (313) 822-4454.

Exciting acrylics

Winter scenes and still-lives in vivid acrylics by painter Apo Torosyan are now on display at The Grosse Pointe Gallery, 19869 Mack. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (313) 884-0100.

Golden exhibition

Artist members of the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth in Detroit, will display a wide array of their drawings, paintings, photography and sculptures during the 84th Annual Gold Medal Exhibition, a juried all media show, through Sunday, Jan. 4. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday, from noon to 5 p.m. Call (313) 831-1250.

Fine furnishings

Contemporary Furniture Designs by John Flowers are available along with brass sculpture by Janice Trimpe, traditional furnishings, antiques, country French reproductions and accents, at the Ashley-Chris Gallery, 15126 Kercheval. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, from noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call (313) 824-0700.

Painted furnishings

The delightful painted furnishings of Grosse Pointe artist Nance Montmorency Aitchisson will be featured in the exhibition/sale Objects of Wonder and Delight, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, in the Detroit Gallery of Contemporary Crafts, 104 Fisher Building in Detroit. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call (313) 873-7888.

Now at the DIA

The Detroit Institute of Arts hosts the blockbuster exhibition Splendors of Ancient Egypt, through Sunday, Jan. 4. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 to 12 at the DIA or \$8.50 for adults and \$4.50 for children at The Great Frame Up Grosse Pointe. Running in conjunction with this exhibition are Papyrus of Nes-Min, a Book of the Dead from the DIA's permanent collection, and Egypt In Africa, a collection exploring the affinities between Egypt and sub-Saharan Africa. Also new is A Renaissance Altarpiece Preserved: Techniques and Conservation of Tobias and Three Archangels, through Sunday, Jan. 4. Also running through Sunday, Jan. 4, is the exhibition, Drawn From Nature: Landscape Drawings and Watercolors from the Permanent Collection. Early Modern Masterpieces: Selections From The Permanent Collection runs through spring 1998. Through Saturday, Feb. 28, take in Contemporary Masterpieces: Selections From the Permanent Collection. Museum hours are Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Recommended admission is \$4 for adults and \$1 for children and students. Call (313) 833-7963.

Last week's puzzle solved

ACROSS

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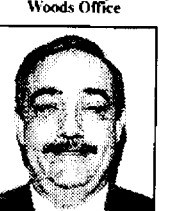
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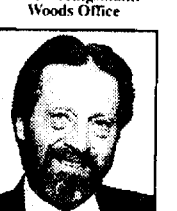
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SEQUENCE

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President

The uncommon tufted titmouse is well worth our feeding efforts

Although uncommon in this part of the United States, the tufted titmouse is certainly a welcome, cheery addition to the feeding stations in our yard. The titmouse is a southern bird whose range has increased over the years. Not commonly found in this state in the early 1900s, the Michigan Breeding Bird Atlas confirmed close to 300 breeding pairs in the southern Lower Peninsula.

The tufted titmouse prefers woodland habitat and therefore, its numbers are greater in the western part of the Lower Peninsula where the trees are less disturbed by farmland or loss of habitat to humans. Oak trees seem to be a particular favorite of this bird.

The 5-inch tufted titmouse is uniformly gray on the upper part of its body with a cream

colored underbody and peach flanks. The "tuft" is a crest of feathers which it can raise or lower depending upon emotional state. When alarmed or aggressive, the crest will be raised but most often, the little feathers are slicked back on the head. Their dark eye has a narrow black eye ring which gives them a wide-eyed look. Adults have a black forehead which is missing in the juveniles until they have undergone their first feather molt in August.

The name tufted titmouse seems to be a strange one for a bird. The "tufted" part of the name is obvious. Less obviously, the second name is derived from the Icelandic word tit which means small and the Anglo Saxon word mase which is a name for a type of bird.

Perhaps one of the most

striking features of this bird is its voice, which is disproportionate to its size. The call has been likened to the words "Peter, Peter" or "Peto, Peto." When you locate the bird as it is calling, you will be amazed at the volume that can come from such a small bird.

Breeding territory is two to five acres in size. As part of the mating ritual, the male will feed the female as she quivers her wings and gives a high-pitched call. Mate feeding continues through the nest-building and incubation phase. The female is largely responsible for the gathering of nesting materials, including leaves, moss and bark. They have been observed gathering dog hair that has accumulated out-of-doors and pulling the tails of squirrels to harvest this commodity.



The female will spend six to 11 days building the nest inside an abandoned woodpecker cavity or a bird house. When nest-building is complete, she will begin to lay eggs, one each day, covering them with a blanket of nesting material until all eggs are laid. Incubation will then begin and last for two weeks.

Once hatched, the young stay in the nest for a period of 17 or 18 days, during which time they are fed insects, caterpillars, moth pupae and spi-

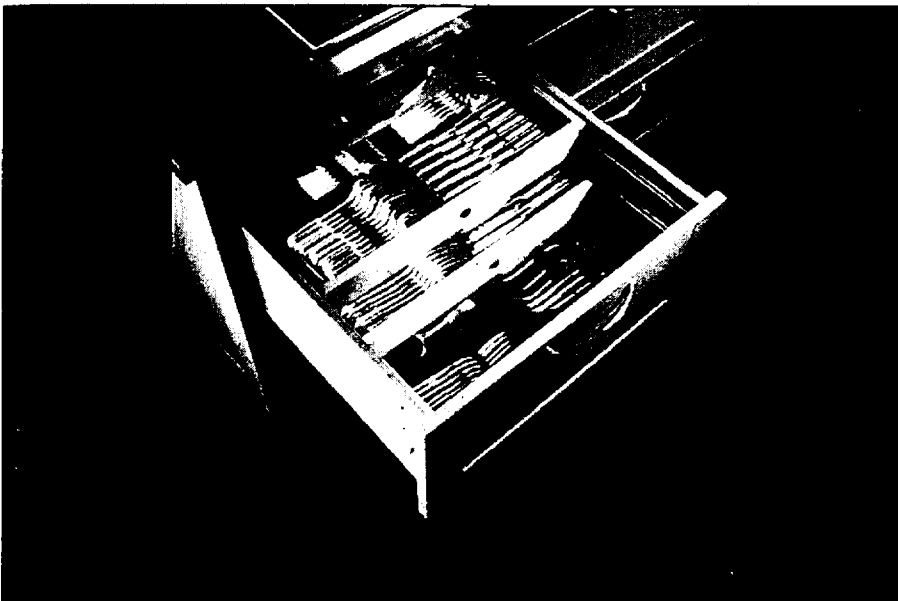
ders. Once fledged, they will learn to find these foods on their own, supplementing their diet with seeds and fruits. The juveniles from the first brood are often observed helping to feed the young from the second brood. The juveniles stay with their parents throughout their first winter, perhaps learning more about feeding before they must find their own territory in the spring.

In winter, it is not uncommon to encounter titmice traveling in a mixed flock of birds including chickadees, downy woodpecker and nuthatches. These winter flocks keep track of each other with verbal calls. This communal feeding adds to the success of these birds in finding food. There may also be advantages in having more eyes on the lookout for danger. Cousin to the chickadee, the

titmouse is a bit larger and will dominate chickadees in a mixed flock, especially at a feeder.

Tufted titmice can be enticed to your feeding station by offering sunflower seed, suet and peanuts out of the shell. They eat in the same manner as chickadees — taking one seed and flying away to a branch where they can be observed holding the seed between their toes, hammering away at the shell in order to reach the nut meat inside.

Titmice are one of the species of birds that have been observed storing food for later use. Seeds are tucked into crevices in bark or under fallen leaves. As friendly and lively as a chickadee, the uncommon tufted titmouse is worth our feeding efforts.



SieMatic's exclusive cutlery drawer holds 24 complete place-settings.

Kitchen details bring at-ease home entertaining within reach

Take the silver out of storage and keep the crystal where you can use it because elegant dinner parties are back, and kitchen designs are responding with great new storage options to keep everything within easy reach, says Frank W. Siekmann, the CEO of SieMatic Corp.

For example, SieMatic's exclusive three-tiered wooden cutlery drawer is specifically designed to hold 24 complete place-settings where they are easy to take out and put away. The solid maple drawer has a felt lining that not only protects fine silverware from scratches, but prevents tarnish.

"An entire generation of Americans is rediscovering the

joys of staying home. They are learning that the traditional dinner party is one of the nicest ways to entertain," Siekmann says. "But we don't have the leisure our parents' generation had, so our kitchens have to be designed to make entertaining easy."

Homeowners who entertain frequently are also adding other hard-working kitchen features, Siekmann says, including:

- Butler's pantries that provide lots of room to store glassware and dishes.
- Dual sinks — one for preparation, one for clean-up.
- Dual dishwashers.
- Refrigerators with wide shelves to hold trays of hors d'oeuvres, salads and desserts.

"Great food, fine wine and a beautiful setting that encourages wonderful conversation — these are some of the best things in life," Siekmann says. "The right kitchen design can make them easier."

SieMatic fine kitchen furniture is available through select kitchen designers in most major metropolitan areas.

For information, or to order a copy of SieMatic's exclusive, 152-page kitchen idea book, available for \$19.95, call SieMatic Corp. at (800) 765-5266.

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Deck the halls and say yes to Michigan grown poinsettias

Deck the halls with boughs of holly — and don't forget beautiful Michigan-grown poinsettias, says the Allied Florists Association of Metropolitan Detroit.

Poinsettias have been a familiar part of the holiday decoration themes for hundreds of years. In the United States, they became popular shortly after Joel Roberts Poinsett brought the plant to America in 1825.

"Although most people think of the popular, safe, holiday plant as tropical, this is really a time to enjoy a great Michigan-grown plant," says Allied director Betty Haran.

Michigan is a powerhouse, says the Michigan Department of Agriculture, ranking first in 1996 for six fruits and vegetables and three floriculture products. The state is fifth in production of poinsettias. Poinsettias add over \$20 million to Michigan's economy.

Michigan poinsettia growers raise 20 different varieties, ranking in size from miniatures (3 inches tall) to "tree forms," up to 5 feet tall and 3 feet wide.

Haran offers the following tips for buying and caring for a Michigan poinsettia:

Poinsettia buying tips

- Look for a bushy plant with healthy, dark green foliage.

- Check the condition of the true flowers (those tiny yellow buttons in the center of the bract), the yellow bits should be smooth, showing little or no pollen.

- Poinsettias are priced based on the size of the container, the number of plants in the pot and the number of flower clusters.

Keeping a poinsettia

- Be sure it's well-wrapped before taking it outdoors. Temperatures below 50 degrees are damaging.
- Place near a sunny window or well-lighted area — but don't let the plant touch the window panes.

- Ideal temperatures are 60 to 70 degrees during the day and 55 to 60 degrees at night.
- Keep away from sources of heat and cold drafts.
- Punch a hole in the decorative foil and place in a saucer for proper drainage.
- Water only when the soil feels dry. Then water until the water drips through the hole in

the bottom of the foil.

- Don't under-water or over-water, which kills plant roots.
- Feed with a water soluble houseplant fertilizer once a month.

Properly cared for, a poinsettia should last long after the holiday season. "It's not unusual for a poinsettia to last well into the Easter season," says Haran.

The poinsettia is perfectly safe to enjoy in your home. Foliage, bracts and the true flowers are not toxic. The beautiful green foliage freshens the air as it gives off oxygen.

Michigan is number three in total greenhouse cover in the nation. It's a major part of Michigan's agriculture industry.

So, buy a Michigan-grown poinsettia from your local Allied Florist Association florist member and "select Michigan" for your plant needs.

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Top 10 list from Project Feeder Watch

Wild Birds Unlimited, a store catering to bird-feeding enthusiasts, offers customers the opportunity to participate in Project Feeder Watch, a winter survey of the birds that visit feeders in the United States and Canada.

The information collected helps ornithologists track changes in the abundance and distribution of bird species that use feeders in the winter. Wild Birds Unlimited, in partnership with Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology in the United States and Bird Studies Canada, is a sponsor of Project Feeder Watch.

The results for 1996-97 — the 10th year for Project Feeder Watch — were recently reported. According to findings taken from 69,785 data forms received by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the 10 most widespread feeder species in North America (with No. 1 being most popular) are as follows:

1. Dark eyed junco
2. House finch
3. American goldfinch
4. Downy woodpecker
5. Blue jay
6. Mourning dove
7. Black-capped chickadee
8. House sparrow
9. Northern cardinal
10. European starling

The study also noted that the most noticeable decline in a species was in the numbers of house finches that appeared at individual feeders. The same

number of feeder-watchers reported house finches; however, flock size had dropped by 22 percent from the previous winter.

It is interesting to note that while house finches have been appearing at more feeders continent-wide, their numbers in the eastern United States have been declining since the late 1980s. The data also showed that the East, in general, had fewer resident birds at feeders due to the mild winter in 1996-97.

Other data showed no big irruptions — the presence of bird species not typically found in a given area — in the East. The last time a major irruption was experienced in the Eastern United States was the winter of 1995-96. For the West, it was an exciting year with feeder-watchers from Colorado and New Mexico to Texas reporting higher numbers than usual of red crossbills, clark's nutcracker and other mountain species.

Irruptions are studied by scientists interested in bird populations as these populations are often related to weather conditions and natural food supplies.

On-line sightings

Project Feeder Watch is about to begin a second decade of feeder watching. Beginning this winter, you won't have to wait for months of data analysis to compare your sightings with others around North America.

Recorded sightings can be accessed on Cornell's interactive Web site at <http://www.tc.cornell.edu/Birds/index.html>.

Everyone is invited to play a part in this year's data collection. Brochures with more information about participating in Project Feeder Watch are available at Wild Birds Unlimited. The \$15 fee helps to defray project costs and includes a Project Feeder Watch Research Kit and quarterly issues of BirdScope.

"System wide, Wild Birds Unlimited typically has a lot of customers participating in Project Feeder Watch," says Rosann Kovalick, owner of the Wild Birds Unlimited store located at 20485 Mack Ave. in Grosse Pointe Woods. "It's great to play a part in helping to promote and recruit participants for this important study."

For more information about Project Feeder Watch, stop by or call the certified bird-feeding specialists at Wild Birds Unlimited.

Wild Birds Unlimited located in Grosse Pointe Woods, MI is part of the original and largest franchise system of bird-feeding and nature specialty stores with over 240 locations throughout the United States and Canada. Wild Birds Unlimited specializes in expert information and offers an exclusive line of products designed specifically for the hobby of feeding the birds in your yard. Visit their Web site at www.wbu.com.



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Double male electrical plugs and other shockers

Q. I'm putting up my holiday lights and cannot plug them in because there is a female cord end on my lights. Why don't they make a double male plug? None of the local stores sell them, so now how do I connect my lights?

And, why do some of my cords have one prong wider than the other? Sparky, Grosse Pointe Woods.

A. Sparky, if ever you use a double male to attach a cord or some lights to any electrical outlet, you will be leaving a male cord end out in the yard or in the bushes. A male cord end is two live wires out in the air, exposed to human contact.

Touch it with wet feet and it will be "nice knowing you."

From now on plug in your lights, test to see if everything is working, and then hang them up with the power off—in case there is a loose wire or something that could shock you. This way you won't hang them up backwards, with the male end of the cord exposed. Plus, it's a lot easier to repair a dead bulb or two when the strings of lights are on the ground.

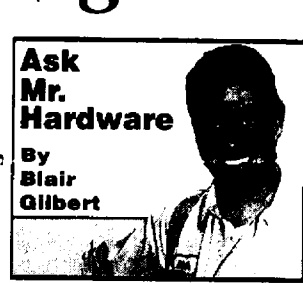
Why put a wide prong on a plug?

The reason one of the prongs on all-new extension cords and electrical appliances are bigger

is to polarize the appliance. If all plugs, extension cords and appliances are properly polarized the chances of an electrical shock are greatly minimized.

In normal house current, one of the wires is usually safe—the white wire. It is the wire that is connected to the ground rod and the cold water plumbing. This means that when you touch it, you and the earth are the same—hence no shock.

This rule is not always true. There are switch leg situations that use the white wire as a "hot" wire. There is also the untrained "wanna be" electrician who could have switched the colors of the wire in a cir-



Ask Mr. Hardware
By Blair Gilbert

cuit box prior to your location. The point here is that "nothing is always"—one of our favorite quotes at the hardware.

The black, "hot," wire is potentially 115 volts opposite of the ground. Grab it and the

electricity will flow through you and into the ground. It is also the wire that is switched, fused and connected to the little slot of the two prongs of a receptacle.

Why the little slot? It is the one that is harder for children to poke metal objects into. With this in mind, manufacturers of electrical appliances will connect the small prong, "hot," to the switch. When the appliance is turned off it will be safer than without polarizing. In a lamp they will connect the hot wire to the base of a light socket. This will make changing light bulbs safer because your finger will have to go the bot-

tom of the lamp socket to receive a shock.

Always kill the power before working on any electrical items. Working with "hot" wires is best left only to the professionals. We don't want to lose any customers to careless wiring accidents.

Electricians' rule: keep one hand in your back pocket.

Send your questions to Mr. Hardware, c/o Gilbert's Pro Hardware, 21920 Harper, St. Clair Shores, 48080. Phone 810-776-9532 or e-mail blair@multi-techx.com

Greater fire prevention needed for the holidays

State fire marshal reminds everyone to prevent home fires

"Our citizens have a responsibility to prevent fires in the home," says Capt. Wade Schaefer, state fire marshal. "The risks for a fire in the home increase during this time of year for a number of reasons. Increased cooking in the kitchen, the burning of candles, Christmas trees that are

not kept fresh, decorations and lights that get hot, chimneys that haven't been cleaned and a number of other factors make this a dangerous time of year for home fires. However, if the proper safety steps are taken, home fires can be prevented."

The message coming from the state fire marshal's office this year is a good one. Too often, fires in the home are considered accidents when in fact they are entirely preventable.

Choosing a fresh Christmas tree is important. Look for one without shedding needles. Be sure to make a fresh cut on the tree's trunk before putting it in a non-tip stand with water. Make sure to check the water level each day and place the tree away from all exits and sources of heat.

The holidays are often associated with big meals and lots

of food. This can be dangerous, considering the fact that the kitchen is the most common area of origin for a residential fire.

Never leave cooking unattended. It's easy to become distracted and forget about the oven or the stove. Keep cooking areas clean and wear clothes with tight fitting sleeves to avoid contact with heat sources. Turn pot handles inward on the stove and out of reach of children.

Taking special care with candles is important. Always put candles in candlesticks before lighting them. Keep the candles away from curtains or other combustible materials. Remember to keep a close watch on children and pets when candles are burning. Candles should never be left in the reach of small children and

matches and lighters should be stored away and out of reach. Candles should be extinguished before going to sleep or leaving home.

When decorating with lights, purchase only those labeled by an independent testing laboratory such as UL. Check for frayed or damaged cords and replace them. Be careful not to overload electrical outlets and always unplug all lights before leaving home or going to sleep.

Having a safe fireplace is particularly important. Chimneys should be inspected by professionals and they should be kept clean of creosote and soot that can ignite and burn. A fire screen should always be used for the front of the fireplace and ashes should be placed in metal containers before being discarded. "It's a bad idea to burn

wrapping paper in the fireplace," says Schaefer. "Burning wrapping paper increases the likelihood of a fire. We are asking that everyone simply throw wrapping paper away in the garbage. Although there are added risks for a home fire during the holidays, those who take the necessary preventive measures will enjoy a safe holiday season. People who practice fire safe behavior will pre-

vent home fires. Smoke detectors should be installed on every level of the home and they should be tested monthly. If the smoke detector is more than 10 years old, it should be replaced with a new one."

The state fire marshal's office encourages everyone to make Michigan a safer place this holiday season by practicing the suggested fire prevention tips.

Preventing surviving home fires

Holiday safety

- Choose a fresh Christmas tree and water it frequently.
- Keep burning candles away from decorations and out of the reach of children.
- When decorating with lights, don't use frayed or damaged cords and remember to unplug all lights before leaving home or going to sleep.

Smoke detectors

- Install smoke detectors on every level of the home, and outside each sleeping area.
- Test the batteries monthly and replace them at least once a year.

Safe cooking

- Never leave cooking unattended and keep towels, curtains, and other items that could catch fire away from the stove.
- Wear clothes with tight-fitting sleeves and turn pot handles inward on the stove where you can't bump them and children can't grab them.
- Keep cooking areas clean and keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen.

Plan your escape

- Sit down with your family and design an escape plan. Be sure that everyone knows at least two unobstructed exits (doors and windows) from every room.
- Identify a place outside to meet in case of a fire.
- Crawl low under smoke, keeping your head one to two feet above the floor. Feel closed doors with the back of your hand. If hot, use another exit.
- Practice the escape plan with your family so that everyone knows it.

Portable heaters

- Give space heaters some space. Keep blankets, clothing, furniture and other combustible items away from portable heaters.
- Plug heaters directly into wall sockets and unplug them when leaving home or going to sleep.

Safe smoking habits

- Provide smokers with large, deep ashtrays and soak the butts before discarding.
- Never smoke in bed.
- Watch for smoldering cigarettes around cushions and upholstered furniture.

Use electricity safely

- Do not overload electrical outlets or extension cords, and use extension cords sparingly.
- Use safety plugs in electrical outlets, especially with small children in the house.

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Mortgage Rates as of December 19, 1997									
Phone Number	30 Yr. Fixed	15 Yr. Fixed	1 Yr. ARM	Points	Other Progs				
Abs Mortgage Corp. (800) 352-4046	6.875	6.5	6.5	2	JB/VF				
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Acceptance Mortgage Corp. (800) 823-0739	6.5	2	6.5	2.25	5.125	2	JB/VF		
Aqua-Mutual Mortgage Corp. (248) 269-9888	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.125	2	JB		
American Finance & Investment (800) 562-6874	7.25	1	6.875	1.25	6.875	0	JB/VF		
Americus Mortgage Corp. (248) 740-2322	6.75	1.875	6.25	2.25	5.75	0	JB/VF		
Bancard Mortgage Funding Corp. (248) 580-0425	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.25	2	JB/VF		
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Chase Manhattan (248) 645-6466	6.75	2	6.5	2	5	2	JB/VF		
CMI Mortgage Company (888) 505-6261	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.25	2	JB/VF		
Community Bank of Dearborn (313) 274-1000	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.5	2	JB/VF		
Community Federal Credit Union (734) 451-3414	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.25	1	JB		
Credit Union ONE (248) 544-1442	6.875	2	6.825	2	5	2	J		
Dearborn Federal Savings (313) 565-3100	6.875	2	6.825	2	5	2	JB		
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First Alliance Mortgage Co. (248) 433-9626	6.75	2	6.5	2	5.25	2	JB/VF		
First International Mortgage (248) 540-1065	7.125	0	6.875	0	5.5	0	JB/VF		
First of America Mortgage Co. (248) 851-7809	7	1.875	6.5	1.875	5.375	2	JB/VF		
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Galatin Mortgage Co. (734) 994-1202	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.125	2	JB		
Great Lakes National Bank (800) 334-5253	6.875	2	6.625	2	5.25	2	JB/VF		
Guardian Mortgage (248) 642-7500	7	1	6.5	1	NR		JB/VF		
JMC Mortgage Corp. (248) 485-4020	6.5	3.75	6.125	3.75	5	3	JB		
John Adams Mortgage Co. (800) 403-8821	6.75	1.875	6.375	2	4.75	2	JB		
Manhattan Mortgage (800) 900-1313	7.125	0	6.875	0	5.25	1	JB		
Manhattan Mortgage (800) 435-6882	6.875	2	6.5	2	5.375	2	JB/VF		
Michigan National Bank (800) CALL-MNB	7	2	6.625	2	5.5	2	JB/VF		
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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE & RENTALS & REAL ESTATE RESOURCE

(Four Home Section)

MONDAY 12 NOON

(Call for Holiday close dates)

CLASSIFIEDS

TUESDAY 12 NOON

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200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

EXECUTIVE Assistant to the President. Solid relational skills. Computer proficiency, to manage development office. Resume to: Sister Tanianna DeYonker, Dominican High School & Academy, 9740 McKinney, Detroit, MI 48224.

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EXPERIENCED medical assistant needed full time. (313)885-5070.

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60 years reliable service in need of experienced Cooks, Nannies, Maids, Housekeepers, Gardeners, Butlers, Couples, Nurse's Aides, Companions and Day Workers for private homes. 18514 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe Farms

205 HELP WANTED LEGAL

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SECRETARY- downtown Detroit law firm seeks full time secretary with some bookkeeping experience, knowledge of WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows. Legal experience not required. Resume to: P.O. Box 31-2685, Detroit MI 48226.

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300 SITUATIONS WANTED BABYSITTERS

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HIGH School student available for weekend and late afternoon babysitting. 313-882-5090. Heather

302 SITUATIONS WANTED CONVALESCENT CARE

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304 SITUATIONS WANTED GENERAL

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406 ESTATE SALES

3 OUTSTANDING Estate Sales By Everything Goes This weekend Call 248-901-5050 For Directions & Details

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Mahogany dining tables, chairs, buffets, sideboards, china cabinets, executive desks (4X6 & 3X5). Ladias desks, Oriental rugs, mahogany Queen size rice bed. Large & small Williamsburg brass chandeliers, benches, Baker breakfasts. Too much to list. (248)-545-4110

411 JEWELRY

ROLEX, Oyster, two-tone. Estate closing. \$1,800. DIMaggio Jewelers 313-881-5353.

412 MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

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DEPARTMENT 56, Tower of London and Beanie Babies. Reasonable. 810-771-6184.

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GRANDFATHER-CLOCK masterpiece in solid mahogany. Highly carved case. Beveled glass. 84" high. Heavy duty all brass cable wind movement. Triple chimes. Moon phases. Lyra pendulum, etc. Must be seen. List and appraised, \$7,000; will take \$3,500. Time Center, 19888 Kelly, Harper Woods. (313)372-9685.

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SING and Snore Ernie best offer (810)779-3114.

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WITH this ad only! Suzuki 88 key digital piano. Regularly \$1,595. Now \$988! Rental available. Jerry Luck Studios, 810-775-7758.

414 OFFICE/BUSINESS EQUIPMENT

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BUYING old furniture, glassware, china, and other interesting items. John, 313-882-5642.

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The Gold Shoppe 22121 Gratiot Eastpointe MI, 48021 (810)774-0966

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416 SPORTS EQUIPMENT

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417 TREASURES UNDER \$25

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601 AUTOMOTIVE CHRYSLER

1997 Chrysler LHS; loaded, low miles, excellent condition, changing jobs, need to sell. (313)640-8859.

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1989 Plymouth Sundance RS, 4 door, \$1,500. (313)881-3065.

602 AUTOMOTIVE FORD

1992 Dodge Spirit 4 door, white, new motor (not rebuilt) \$4,800 (313)521-0822.

1991 Mercury Sable, white. Clean, very dependable. New: tires, starter, transmission, brake pads. \$3,900/ best. 313-343-9870.

1994 Mustang V6, 2 door, Christmas red, auto, loaded, low miles. Sharp! Must sell! \$7,750. Central Auto Leasing & Sales, 313-885-8300, 839-4462 evenings.

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CROWN Victoria, 1994, LX, 19,000 miles, showroom, \$13,000. 810-771-3140.

603 AUTOMOTIVE GENERAL MOTORS

1992 Cutlass Supreme SL; 2 door, new tires and brakes, loaded, clean, 77,000 miles, \$6,000. (810)773-3222.

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1991 Olds Cutlass Supreme, 4 door, 6 cylinder, loaded, 28,000 actual miles. One owner. All red \$7,100. 313-882-7246

1991 Olds Cutlass Supreme, 4 door, 6 cylinder, loaded, 28,000 actual miles. One owner. All red \$7,100. 313-882-7246

1985 Olds Cutlass. Recent tune-up. New brakes, many other new parts. Runs well, asking \$1,200. 810-445-0422

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ Pointe stores have their best year ever, setting sales records during 1947, reporting gross sales at 40 to 50 percent higher than last year. Though the merchants were loath to have their individual sales figures published, the Grosse Pointe News conducted a survey on Dec. 20 that showed satisfactory profits.

■ The Sisters of St. Joseph, who are in charge of the new St. John Hospital project, have issued a brochure on the hospital to be built on Moros just west of Mack. The estimated \$5 million project is predicted to be one of the most magnificent hospital institutions in the country, when completed.

■ Four boys organized as carolers on Dec. 18 set out to render sweet strains and pick up a little honoraria. When they reached a home in the 700 block of Rivard, the quartet put forth their best vocal efforts and then demanded money. The homeowner demurred, declared the boys to be "sassy"

and called in the police.

25 years ago this week

■ Rose Terrace, the Farms mansion of the late Mrs. Anna Thompson Dodge, has been sold to Superior Lake Enterprises. The Detroit area development group plans to convert the estate into luxury condominiums.

■ Flood damage to the marina at George Osius Park on Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores is estimated at \$3,000 and could possibly increase as Lake St. Clair continues to freeze. If it does (DPW workers are spreading calcium chloride to arrest freezing) at this high level, the docks might be pushed upward due to the pressure and pulled from their moorings.

10 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe school board officials have decided to give the Grosse Pointe Public Library expansion question a rest for a year or two as they consider in more detail what caused the failure of the bond

issue proposal on November's ballot. Board members agreed that expansion and renovation are necessary but are concerned right now with rising costs, budget constraints and an upcoming operating millage renewal.

■ The Children's Home of Detroit plans to build a 3,000-square-foot addition onto its Cook Road facility for the purposes of creating more storage space. A public hearing held Dec. 14 was inconclusive because the architect for the project didn't have final site plans for the planning commission.

5 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe businessman Diamond Phillips purchased the Esquire Theater site with the intention of developing condominiums on the property. The Grosse Pointe Park city council agreed to rezone the Esquire site along with adjacent parcels purchased by Phillips from office/service to residential.

— Shirley A. McShane

50 years ago this week

Caption
unnecessary

Little Judy Cudia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cudia Jr. of Beaconsfield, is initiated into the circle of children throughout the Christian world who know and love the most famous of Christmas poems. Judy is 23 months old and for her this is the first Christmas. As she grows older, she will come to know the whole story that started with the birth of the Christ Child. (Grosse Pointe News photo by John Cudia Jr., Dec. 25, 1947.)



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- Friday, December 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., for our Storewide Clearance
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- Sunday, December 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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