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INSIDE

■ The owners of Jumps restaurant plan to petition the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council for the city's last available Class C liquor license for the second time in the past five months. Page 10A

■ A Harper Woods police report shows that crime has dropped since 1999. In 2002, 2,158 crimes were reported as compared to 3,053 in 1999. Page 15A

■ Grosse Pointe South's boys swimming team used a strong start to win its Macomb Area Conference Red Division showdown with Romeo, 113-73. Page 1C.

■ Harper Woods' basketball team completed its second straight undefeated season in the Metro Conference and coach Loren Ristovski said that the successful run was a result of contributions from the entire squad. Page 1C.



Above, a ladder truck from Grosse Pointe Woods was used to put out a fire that quickly spread throughout a house on Tonnacour Place in Grosse Pointe Farms on Monday, Feb. 17. The Woods was one of five other departments that assisted the Farms in the fire.

Below, Grosse Pointe Farms Lt. Jack Patterson was the incident commander at the Tonnacour Place fire. He said, "It (the fire) was farther gone than anyone would have realized."



Faulty fireplace claims house on Tonnacour Pl.

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

A fireplace is believed to be the cause of a four-alarm blaze that destroyed a house in the first block of Tonnacour Place in Grosse Pointe Farms on Monday, Feb. 17.

The resident of the home called the Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety at 5:28 p.m. to report an alarm problem. She was not aware of any fire or smoke in her house.

When public safety officers arrived, they detected a haze of smoke in the basement and attempted to put out a fire in the fireplace.

However, after the smoke dissipated, heavy flames blasted out from a wall near the fireplace and spread quickly to the attic.

"The fire was probably burning in that wall for a long time," said Farms

incident commander Lt. Jack Patterson. "It was farther gone than anyone would have realized."

Patterson believed that the fire was fed from a gas line to the fireplace, which had not been used for some time.

The Farms called the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods to respond. The Harper Woods fire department also responded.

Patterson reported the house as a total loss.

The fire claimed one injury when a City of Grosse Pointe public safety officer stepped into a basement window well. That officer was treated at a local hospital for a torn ligament and released the same night.

The resident of the house was not injured.



A fire that began in a fireplace destroyed an entire home on Tonnacour Place as pictured the day after the fire.

Local hospitals conduct drills for emergency preparedness

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

In the event of war, it is likely that hospitals and public safety workers will man many of the front lines.

If it comes to that, two area hospitals say they're already in training.

While speaking to local members of the American Society for Public Administration, Sal

Catanesi, security director for Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, told members how the two Grosse Pointe hospitals have been preparing for disaster situations.

"We joined the Greater Detroit Area LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) Hospital Subcommittee, which meets once a month to discuss common safety issues

among its members. There are 11 hospitals involved including Bon Secours."

Last fall, the LEPC held a smallpox drill at each of its member's hospital. A person disguised as a smallpox victim was taken to each hospital at a date and time unknown to hospital staff for them to correctly diagnose, treat and follow protocol. Catanesi said the staff at Bon Secours was the only one to successfully diagnose and follow protocol.

Afterward, the hospital identified all the employees, visitors and patients in the hospital at that time and then had a two-hour debriefing with staff about what happened and what should have happened.

Catanesi said the LEPC

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Woods, library officials continue to work on plans

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Plans for a new branch library in Grosse Pointe Woods could be shelved if architects and city officials don't get on the same page.

According to a Woods critique of site plans for the proposed \$8.3 million project, the facility fails on nine counts.

If plans aren't brought into line, construction could fall through.

Library officials still hope to iron out differences with city representatives, arrange financing and break ground this spring on the front yard of Parcels Middle School at Mack and Vernier.

John Bruce, head of the library board, said, "We have been aware of these concerns for quite some time and are trying to resolve them."

The critique appears in a five-page, Jan. 30 letter to the library's architect from Gene Tutag, building inspector, and Mike Makowski, public safety director.

According to the evaluation, "Approval of these plans cannot be made until such time that the following issues have been resolved":

• No. 1: Gates are needed for the parking lot off Mack. Gates would improve pedestrian safety by preventing parents from using library parking lots as pick-up/drop-off areas for Parcels students.

• No. 2: Gates are needed for the parking lot off Sunningdale, also known as the "Vernier lot."

• No. 3: The Parcels school parking lot and driveway need to be reconfigured to provide a safer traffic flow

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WEEK AHEAD

Friday, Feb. 21

Arti Gras, a costume gala featuring food, wine, magic and music benefiting the Grosse Pointe Artists Association, will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the GPAA Center.

Tickets are \$25. For more information, call (313) 821-1848.

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial host Taste of the Hops at the War Memorial from 7 to 9 p.m.

Tickets are \$35. For more information, call (313) 881-7511.

Sunday, Feb. 23

An organ recital performed by David Palmer takes place at 4:30 p.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Admission is free. Call (313) 885-4841 for more information.

Monday, Feb. 24

The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board meets at 7 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club.

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council holds a special meeting to hear a request for the city's last liquor license at 7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Farms City Hall.

The City of Grosse Pointe City Council meets in the City council chambers at 7:30 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets in the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club holds its biweekly meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial beginning at 11 a.m.

Dean Krauskopf of the Michigan State University Extension Service will speak on "Michigan Agriculture: Now and Tomorrow."

For information, call (313) 881-5592.

The Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meets to discuss plans for the Woods Branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library at the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

George Bournias

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms

Age: 37

Family: Single

Occupation: The Second City Theatre & Hockeytown Cafe's director of marketing and The Second City Business Theatre Producer

Quote: "I have one of the best and most challenging jobs in metro Detroit. I have the opportunity to wear a lot of hats. ... I have the opportunity to do a lot of things."

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George Bournias

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50 years ago this week

■ Plans are underway to expand Detroit University School and Grosse Pointe Country Day School.

The program calls for a \$1.6 million campus on Cook Road in Grosse Pointe Woods.

■ Voters reject a pay increase for the Grosse Pointe Woods mayor and city council. Woods elected officials stand alone among their Pointe counterparts as the only group of its kind to receive pay.

■ Donald Hunter, an Army private, is killed during ground action in Korea.

Hunter, a 1949 graduate of the Grosse Pointe High School, worked for Fruehoff Trailer Co. before entering the army last year.

In a letter to his parents the day before he died, Hunter said he was in good health, and that the shooting of flares, rockets and tracer fire reminded him of fireworks on the Fourth of July.

25 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe Farms officials act decisively to make quick work of a traffic problem at the intersection of Moross and Mack.

In response to obvious heavy traffic and tie-ups at the busy intersection, city officials commission a study of the complaints and, acting on that report, direct traffic engineers to design a remedy.

City officials plan to file a grant application with the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation to obtain some of the \$31,100 needed for a light and new traffic signs.

■ The subject of Brys Drive and proposals to alleviate heavy traffic in the immediate area is discussed

once again and without resolution by members of the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

A planning consultant suggests the following options to address the ongoing problem: outlaw west-bound traffic on Brys and Anita west of alley behind Mack; close and loop off Hollywood and Ridgmont; eliminate through commercial vehicles west of Mack in any direction on Brys, Roslyn, Hampton, Ridgmont, Hollywood, Hawthorne, Anita and Helen.

■ Grosse Pointe Woods detectives continue investigating four attempted abductions reported during the first half of February.

10 years ago this week

■ Fingerprinting new hires in Grosse Pointe and other Michigan school districts is threatening to make a mess of the relatively simple task of replacing a retired, transferred or ill teacher.

As required by a new state law, any new employee required to be certified, such as teachers and administrators, must be fingerprinted and pay \$15 for the Michigan State Police to run a criminal history check.

Because background checks take 30 days, Pointe school officials say problems develop when a new teacher is needed on short notice.

■ A murder-suicide stains an otherwise mundane 1992 year-end crime report in Grosse Pointe Woods. It was the only homicide in the Woods in at least 10 years. Statistics are also skewed by nine assaults and a rash of wheel cover thefts.

However, public safety officers say comparing 1992 figures against a rosy report for 1991 may be misleading

because some major crimes in 1991 may have been recorded as minor offenses.

■ Major crime drops in Grosse Pointe Farms, according to an unqualified summary of activity during 1991.

Robert Ferber, public safety director, credits the downturn to privatizing ambulance service, which allowed the police force to be beefed up.

Robbery, assault and larceny drops significantly, with a slight drop in auto theft.

5 years ago this week

■ New Media, a subsidiary of telecommunications giant Ameritech, is ready to enter the cable television market in the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods. One thing stands in the way — access to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's local origination facilities and programs.

New Media most likely won't get access to the War Memorial. The community organization has 12 years remaining on a lease to provide programming to Comcast only.

■ School bells won't ring this fall at Barnes Elementary.

An analysis of enrollment figures for this year and a projection for next year has convinced Grosse Pointe public school administrators not to reopen the Grosse Pointe Woods facility.

Barnes has been closed since the mid 1980s due to declining enrollment.

■ The lucky winner of a raffle can win free sundaes for a year at Alinosi's Ice Cream and Candy Company in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The celebration marks completion of the company's remodeling.

— Brad Lindberg

50 years ago this week



Pointe's 1st police woman on duty

Mrs. Mary Kosola of Grosse Pointe Park served her first shift as an auxiliary police school crossing guard in the Park this week. She handled traffic at Vernor and Nottingham during the school rush periods under the watchful eye of Sgt. Anthony Walsh. Kosola will be trained for another week before the next woman, Barbara Catlett of the Park, goes on duty. In all, five women will be employed to direct traffic at school crossings in the Park. (From the Feb. 19, 1953 Grosse Pointe News.)

Library

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and prevent "left turn conflicts onto Sunningdale."

Bruce said this was a school issue but said library officials have accepted the additional responsibility and expense so the project can move forward.

• No. 4: City officials want 30-inch tall brick walls separating the Mack and Sunningdale (Vernor) parking lots from sidewalks.

"This is a pedestrian safety measure and prevents headlamps from glaring into oncoming traffic" and "into condominiums across Vernier," the letter reads.

Library plans showed a 42-inch wall.

"A wall 42 inches high would prevent police patrol vehicles from having a full view of this area. This could create a dangerous situation by offering a hiding place for criminals," the letter reads.

• No. 5: Library drawings lack sidewalks leading from

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two emergency exits, as required by the Woods fire inspector.

• No. 6: Plans lack roof vents, as required by the public safety department.

• No. 7: A traffic circle outside the library's main entrance included "a landscaped island or sculpture," which could interfere with emergency vehicles.

• No. 8: The proposed library is set too close to the

sidewalk.

• No. 9: The building exceeds the city's 35-foot height limit.

The letter confirmed Bruce's statement that discussions with Woods officials have been going on for two years.

In a section of the critique regarding parking gates, Makowski and Tutag wrote, "The necessity for gates has been emphasized repeatedly by the public safety department since the earliest planning phases of this project nearly two years ago."

Bruce has said it has taken too long to feed the library proposal through the Woods multi-layered approval process. A sister project in Grosse Pointe Park is expected to break ground in May.

The letter refers to Woods officials reviewing plans as long ago as March 26, 2001, Nov. 15, 2002 and Jan. 8, 2003. The letter also cites correspondence regarding the proposal dated Aug. 22, 2002 and Jan. 15, 2003.

The dates are significant because of reasons given by members of the Woods planning commission last month when they tabled discussion of the library proposal. Planners said city administrators hadn't had time to evaluate architectural drawings.

Administrators said the library didn't submit plans in time for proper review. Bruce said the plans were on time.

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Latest Allard Road survey results being tallied

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Debate about Allard traffic rolls on.

Grosse Pointe Woods officials have issued questionnaires to Allard residents asking how they would resolve the matter.

The survey, distributed early this month, follows two traffic studies presented to the mayor and city council in February and December of 2001. In addition, the council deliberated over Allard at least five times during 2002.

"The city has more of a responsibility than doing another traffic study," said Allard resident Gerry Bresser. "They need to resolve the issue. I haven't seen anybody step up."

Traffic has been an issue in Allard since the 194 expressway opened in the 1960s. Two exits, east and west, funnelled traffic onto Allard. By default, the residential street has become a

gateway to neighborhoods between Harper and Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods and Harper Woods. Allard also has become a route to Mack Avenue.

According to traffic reports from January through December (and discussed before the council in January, February, March, April, July and December), daily traffic counts were within acceptable limits.

In April, Mike Makowski, Woods director of public safety, said traffic exiting the freeway to east-bound Allard didn't pose a problem.

In July, a SEMCOG analysis concluded, "Traffic volumes along Allard appear to be normal."

Also in July, Makowski rated traffic counts of 1,500 to 1,650 vehicles per day an "acceptable volume."

In December, another Woods traffic study concluded volume on Allard has

remained virtually unchanged for 42 years and is "within acceptable ranges and comparable to other Grosse Pointe Woods streets."

In a letter accompanying this month's survey, Makowski explained that the focus on Allard "originated from an Allard resident's complaint" about "excessive speeding and heavy volumes."

The survey followed Grosse Pointe Woods officials posting a 24-hour "No right turn" sign from Harper to Allard.

The restriction backfired, as administrators and public safety officers said such actions in the Woods had before. Drivers bypassed turning onto Allard in favor of nearby side streets, many in Harper Woods.

Harper Woods residents complained to their city officials about surging traffic. Harper Woods officials

reacted quickly by posting "No right turn" signs of their own along a stretch off Harper. Strict enforcement ensued. Many Grosse Pointe Woods residents have been cited.

"By deciding to prohibit right turns, we unintentionally created a hardship for many of our residents," Makowski wrote.

Bresser doesn't want a border war.

"We ought to have a powwow with Harper Woods to appease everybody," he said.

The survey asks Allard residents if they want the "no right turn" ban repealed or maintained.

Dennis Hickey, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident living on Stanhope (one block from Allard), has seen it all before. He isn't happy about how things have been allowed to drag on.

"I complained eight years ago and talked to (former Grosse Pointe Woods public

safety) Director (Jack) Patterson who assured me they were going to resolve the war," Hickey said. "Here we are eight years later. Thousands of people have gotten tickets, including one of my best friends who made a wrong turn coming from Sterling Heights. I don't know who on Allard deserves this type of attention."

"Instead of all this screwing around, pointing fingers and having people go back and forth with who caused it," said Bresser, "let's come up with a reasonable answer to the problem."

Bresser was among Allard residents last year who asked city officials to address the traffic issue.

"Allard is a very busy street," he said. "We are trying to cut down on traffic."

Bresser doesn't sympathize with drivers who have been cited for making illegal turns.

"Why complain when you

get a ticket for doing something you know you did?" he said.

Bresser and another Allard resident acknowledged that their homes would have cost more if located on a nearby street not saddled with a reputation for heavy traffic.

"To be honest, I'm not sure I realized the extent of (traffic) until I moved on the street," Bresser said. "I also look at the responsibility the city has. I'm paying pretty good money in taxes. From what I see, I'm not sure we're getting anything."

Ted Bidigare, Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator, said completed surveys were to be tallied this week, after the Grosse Pointe News' deadline.

"We expect to review them (this) week," he said. "We'll go back (to the city council) with recommendations from public safety and the administration."



Penguins score big off the ice

Members of the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Pee Wee Division Penguins made a victorious play by packing over 150 boxes of food at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen on Feb. 7. The boxes were distributed to needy families in the Detroit area.

Pictured are Al Bacon, Jim Dixon, Robbie Poniatowski, Coach Denny Campbell, Coach John Vens and Mike Grommes, back row; and Mary Hunt, Sydney Hunt, Alex Hunt, Max Hunt, Reid Dixon, Chris Vens, Dan Bacon, Brian Campbell, Kurt Hollerbach and Rosemary Campbell, front row. Present, but not pictured, Denise Poniatowski.

Prepare for emergencies using common sense

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Even with terror threats lowered and the prospect of war still being mitigated among world powers, local law enforcement experts recommend being prepared with more common sense than duct tape.

"I don't want to worry about threat levels," said David Hiller, Grosse Pointe Park director of public safety and head of the east side mutual aid special response team. "We should be more concerned about things that are more likely to happen, such as tornadoes and ice storms."

Hiller recommended being prepared for anything — such as being without heat or water for a couple of days. He also recommended stocking up on essentials such as batteries, a battery-powered radio and flashlights and having a home evacuation plan in place in case of fire.

Hiller added that duct tape and plastic sheeting would not provide protection in case of a radioactive or biochemical attack.

Tony Shannon, Wayne County director of homeland security, echoed Hiller's suggestions and added, "Do you

know where to turn off your gas and water? That's critical."

Shannon also suggested the following:

- Make an internal "safe haven." It may be under the stairs or even in the bathroom so long as it is "hardened up" and away from outer walls and windows.
- Review your insurance policies to assure that you have adequate coverage.
- Close all windows and blinds. Tape up glass if staying inside your home.
- Mark your house as empty if you evacuate it. A taped X mark on the front door is acceptable.
- Listen for advisories on local television, radio or a weather radio.
- If curfew is announced, observe it.
- Keep your car's gas tank full and ensure the car is well maintained.
- When warranted, travel to directed routes and safe havens provided by the local authorities or state and federal departments.
- Residents of mobile homes should evacuate to a more substantial shelter.
- Keep all windows and

doors shut, and, if possible, use wet cloths to cover door surrounds.

• If your area is not evacuated and your home is sturdy, stay inside on the downwind side of the house and away from windows and glass doors.

• Move outdoor objects indoors or anchor them securely.

• Fill the bathtub with water for use other than drinking water.

Shannon, who has only spent seven weeks in the newly created position, said he would be working on such things as improving communication systems among law enforcement departments and formulating disaster plans with schools. He also said that the county has two portable decontamination trailers on order to be shared among the east side, downriver and western Wayne mutual response teams.

Hiller said the Park and other public safety departments are updated and in contact with each other, the county and other agencies on a daily basis.

"Whatever needs to be done, we'll be there," Hiller said.

Hospitals

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would be holding a region-wide disaster drill soon.

"There's always more to learn. There's always more to do," Catanese said.

At Bon Secours and Cottage hospitals, Catanese said both campuses received portable, inflatable decontamination units, which he said the hospitals have put out of service a week in warm weather for staff training. There will also be a new decontamination room with a separate entrance as part of the emergency room renovation at Bon Secours.

Other equipment was ordered before 9/11.

Catanese said. "This equipment can be used in a variety of ways, such as in the event of a chemical spill."

Catanese said he has been working with the area public safety departments in several capacities.

"With the new radio system, when they're in certain parts of our buildings the signals cannot get through," Catanese said. "We're doing everything we can to enhance the capabilities in those parts of the buildings."

"We've also done orientations of our buildings with our officers so they know our layout plans so when they're in our buildings at 4 a.m. or if there's smoke in the hallways, they know where they're going."

Also, at the request of

employees, the hospitals have conducted bomb drills.

"We have a role for each employee when there is a bomb threat," Catanese said.

Catanese said many of their preparedness programs get funding from the hospitals' parent corporation, Henry Ford Hospitals, but said, "I don't think there's ever enough money. Training is ongoing. It never ends."

Theokas named Park mayor pro tem

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Greg Theokas has been named mayor pro tem of Grosse Pointe Park.

Theokas has been a member of the city council for seven years. He will fill the pro tem position held previously by the late Vernon Ausherman.

"I'm deeply honored to fulfill Vern's term," Theokas said. "It's going to take a team of people to replace Vern. I hope we work together to do that. This council has always been a collaborative body with the city's best interest in mind."

Greg consistently offers prudent recommendations often gleaned from his long experience in the business world," said Mayor Palmer Heenan, who nominated Theokas to be the city's second-in-command. "I can think of no other citizen better suited to serve as Vern's

successor."

Theokas has served on the Park planning commission and helped with the city's master plan. He represents eastside communities on the Wayne County Transit Authority.

"He was our representative to the (Grosse Pointe) Library Board, where he served as vice president," Heenan said. "He (was) instrumental in encouraging the board to place its new facility in our city."

Groundbreaking is scheduled for May.

Theokas was a classmate and friend of President George W. Bush at Yale, graduating summa cum laude and lettering three times in varsity track. The friendship with Bush continues.

Theokas earned MBA and law degrees from Harvard, where he edited the Law Review.

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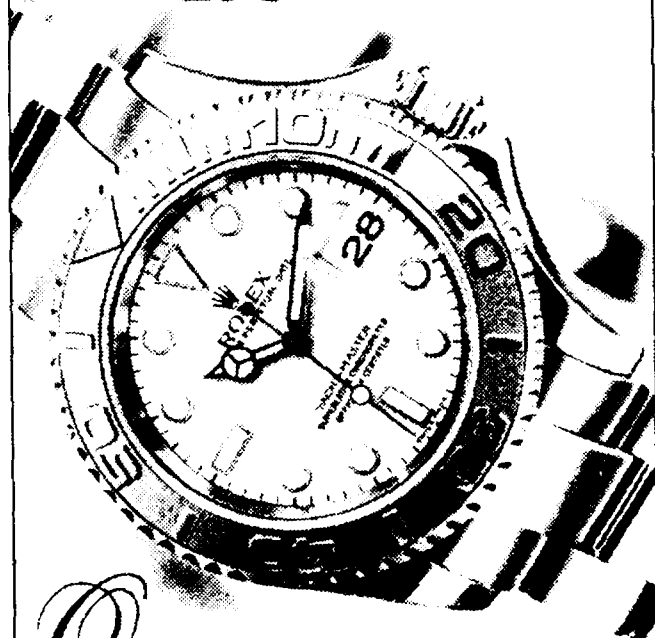
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Pointer celebrates 10 years with Second City

By Patti Theros
Special Writer

John Belushi, Gilda Radner, Mike Myers and Dan Aykroyd are all alumni of the Second City Theatre. And while many people equate the "Second City" with Chicago, Detroit began sharing the Second City stage many years ago.

"Second City Theatre is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year in Detroit, culminating with a special week this fall," said George Bournias, marketing director and Business Theatre producer for Second City. Bournias, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, has been with Detroit's Second City since it opened in 1993.

"The Ilitch family expanded a deep commitment to the City of Detroit when it embarked on a partnership with the Second City to open a theater here," Bournias said.

Aside from Chicago and Detroit, The Second City also has theatrical operations in Toronto, Las Vegas and Cleveland.

"We're very proud of the productions that have come out of our theater," Bournias said. "We feature local talent and explore political, social and cultural issues that represent the Metro Detroit area and Michigan as well as national and international current events. We do it in a manner that makes people laugh and think about the events occurring around them."

Bournias explained that in commemoration of the 10th anniversary they are planning a retrospective sketch comedy revue.

"In the past 10 years, we've had three Detroit mayors; two governors; and General Motors moved into the Ren Cen; two new downtown stadiums have been built, and three casinos have opened," he said.

"On a national level, when we first opened, Bill Clinton had spent less than one year in office; Newt Gingrich was in his first term in office; the Internet was taking off; Chrysler was not German-owned; and Monica Lewinsky was unknown."

"We've had a lot happen in the past 10 years, and The Second City retrospective revue this September will flash back on events to review the long, strange journey it has been."

"We're very excited about it; yet in the meantime, we are very excited as we are currently in previews and will be opening our 24th comedy revue, 'Woodward to Your Mother,' on Thursday, March 20," he added.

Bournias has many other responsibilities at The Second City Theatre and Hockeystown Cafe, including overseeing all marketing, advertising campaigns, the creation of theatrical logos and promotions and special/customized events and presentations. He is also the business theater producer for Second City

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Communications in Michigan, which is the division that answers the entertainment needs of business and corporate clients.

"I have one of the best and most challenging jobs in metro-Detroit," he said. "I have the opportunity to wear a lot of hats. It's a very well-run company, a lean company, with good hard-working people, and I have the opportunity to do a lot of things."

No two days are the same, Bournias said.

"The other day I hired the artist who is painting a mural in the Hockeystown Cafe. Later that day I had a creative meeting regarding television commercials and then made a presentation to a human resources director from a large Michigan corporation about providing a Second City workshop and corporate entertainment presentation for their employees," he said.

"Through Second City Communications, we help clients in all industries work with their employees on communicating issues such as teamwork, communications and listening skills and diversity. We do it in such a manner that we call it 'Edu-tainment' for the business community."

Bournias was responsible for co-producing a series of orientation sessions with

workshops and shows to help General Motors employees relocate and ease their transition to their new offices in the Renaissance Center. In addition, they have served clients throughout Michigan and have been hired to travel and perform/present from coast to coast — even in the Bahamas.

Before joining Olympia Entertainment, Bournias had a varied background in communications and video production. After graduating from Eastern Michigan University in 1988, he worked for a video production company in Ann Arbor. He later started his own video production and marketing company where he had the opportunity to produce, write, and direct an award-winning documentary.

All of those experiences helped to prepare him for his present job.

"At a certain point, I was looking for something different and a new challenge," he said. "I had read that the Ilitch Family planned to renovate the boarded-up Hughes and Hatcher men's store in Detroit, and it was going to be transformed into the home for Detroit's Second City Theatre. I sent Grosse Pointe resident Atanas Ilitch a letter, and one thing led to another," he said.

"One of the best parts of my job is that I'm fortunate to have the opportunity to work with good, creative people every day, from

Olympia Entertainment's in-house creative services department, to actors, writers and local advertising agencies.

"Just last week, I worked with Water-Cooler Advertising (co-owned by Grosse Pointer Terry Ayrault) to produce two great Second City Television Commercials," Bournias said.

Another creative individual Bournias has worked with is Grosse Pointe resident director-actor Marty Bufalini, with whom Bournias helped produce a theatrical production for the past three years.

"I had read in the Grosse Pointe News that the 1940's radio dramatization of 'It's a Wonderful Life' didn't have a home. Marty and I sat down together, worked out all the details, and we were able to co-produce it at The Second City Theatre. We have offered it for the past three years during the holiday season."

This theatrical production transports audiences to a 1940's New York-style network radio studio when radio shows were performed live before large studio audiences.

"It has been very successful," he said.

It's Bournias' ability to develop and implement new ideas that has led to many of the successes of The Second City Theatre and Second City Communications.

As Bournias' job has evolved throughout the years, so has The Second City building. Olympia Entertainment added Hockeystown Cafe a few

years ago to its entertainment complex on Woodward Ave.

"Adding Hockeystown to our complex has created an entertainment destination. You can have dinner and see a show all under one roof, and park only once," Bournias said.

"With Hockeystown Cafe and the popularity of The Detroit Red Wings, we have some very exciting offerings and additions to the building coming in the future," he said.

Second City also has added a children's improvisation camp. "It has been four years since we started the kids day camp in the summer. It gives kids an opportunity to exercise their imagination. The kids really have a great time," he said. "Our training center is very unique. We have the center to develop talent — of virtually any age."

And while most of his work has been behind the scenes, Bournias did have a small part in a film.

"I have always been fascinated with Jimmy Hoffa. When I heard that they were filming part of the movie in Detroit, I was told by a friend that it would be a closed set and the only way onto the set was as an extra in the film."

Bournias made it through the final cuts and plays a reporter in the film. "Just be sure not to blink your eyes if you see the movie," he said. "You might miss me."

When Bournias is not at work, he enjoys jogging, riding his bike, and playing basketball.

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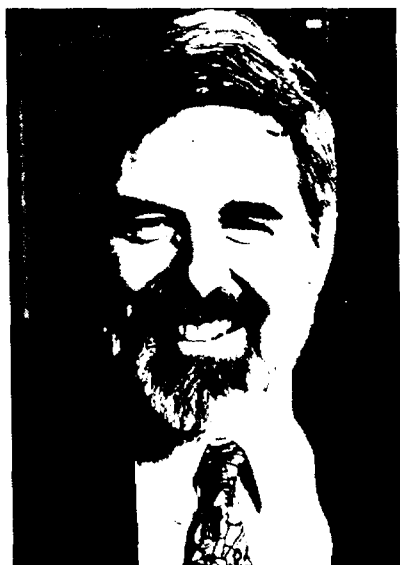
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Crooks sell nonexistent phone service, says AARP

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Michigan warns Michigan citizens to ignore people offering — for a fee — to put telephone subscribers on a statewide telemarketing do-not-call list that does not yet exist.

"We have received several complaints that a company is selling membership on the state do-not-call registry for \$8," said Anita Salustro, AARP associate state director. "Of course, the registry does not exist, and probably won't until July."

A bill to create a statewide

registry became law last December. It requires the Michigan Public Service Commission to decide whether the state should operate the list or hire an outside consultant, and limits any fee charged subscribers to \$5 for three years. The MPSC has about six months from the passage of Public Act 612 of 2002 to decide how it wants to proceed.

"These crooks are using the publicity surrounding the passage of the law to prey upon citizens eager to sign up for relief from tele-

marketers," said Salustro. Scam artists are asking telephone subscribers for credit card numbers to which the fee can be billed, and may even ask for Social Security numbers as a means of verifying identity.

"Under no circumstances should you give out credit card or Social Security numbers over the telephone," said Salustro. "In addition to losing the \$8 for a service that doesn't exist, you risk having your credit card billed to its maximum and having your identity stolen for use by a scam artist."

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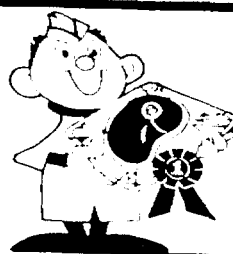
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Anti-SUV talk bad for GM, consumers

By Jay Bryant

General Motors once did me a favor, and I've never returned it. They paid for my college education — four years, full tuition, room and board.

So that's my disclaimer. Because right now, General Motors needs my help, your help, the help of all patriotic Americans, including someone inside the Bush administration with sensitive political antennae.

At issue here is SUV-bashing. Once it was just another silly conceit on the part of a handful of Naderesque environmental extremists. Then Arianna Huffington got involved, sponsoring a run of absurd TV commercials in which owners of sport utility vehicles are portrayed as Al Qaeda fellow-travelers.

Now we are entering a third and more serious stage as the government — following the lead of Jeff Runge, head of the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration — is threatening onerous new regulations, as well as moving to raise the CAFE standards, which mandate fuel-efficiency levels, perhaps by even

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more than the 1.5 mpg the Bush administration has already signed off on.

Runge is on a tear against SUVs, ad-libbing a comment at a recent speech that he wouldn't let his kid buy one if it was the last vehicle on Earth.

That is a very revealing statement, suggesting an egotistical mind bent on controlling the decisions of others. A person like that can be genuinely dangerous when placed at the head of a government agency with broad regulatory authority.

A passion for control may be an occupational hazard among physicians, especially emergency room doctors like Runge, who in their everyday jobs make vital decisions on what is best for other people. Convinced they know what is right, they may have difficulty accepting other points of view, particularly nonscientific, amateur points of view.

The free market is an amalgam of precisely such amateur views and, thus, anathema to those such as

Ralph Nader, Huffington and Runge, who are convinced they know so much more than us kids that they should prescribe what we will be allowed to buy and drive.

If SUV sales decline, it is General Motors that will be hit the hardest, that will be forced to give up market share to foreign competitors. GM is the only U.S. automaker that is doing well these days, actually gaining in market share and thereby bolstering the post-9/11 economy. For the government to throw a monkey wrench into its success story would be unconscionable.

It would also be politically foolhardy, not just in Michigan and the other auto producing states, but also among the millions of Americans, typically young families who own SUVs.

The natural Republican position is squarely on the side of these swing voters, defending them against radicals who want to take their vehicles away, but the activities of Runge cloud the picture and subvert the Republican advantage.

Former trauma doctor Runge claims it's all about safety, but the data he spouts are not convincing. Heavier vehicles are inherently safer than lighter ones. SUVs are heavier than most cars, and thus safer. The one negative they have is that, being taller, they are somewhat more prone to roll over. The safest vehicle would be a very low, very heavy car, which would still be fuel inefficient and thus a CAFE problem. Moreover, today's young families aren't going to slap their toddlers and car seats into a Cadillac Seville. If they can't have an SUV, they'll choose something far less fancy and far less safe — however, fuel-efficient.

Absent coercion from zealots like Runge, people will buy what they want. Safety will be a consideration, but not the only consideration, particularly if differences are marginal. As long as buyers have a choice, Runge's goal is as fatuous as any other Utopia. Which, by the way, would be a nice name for the next new GM sport utility vehicle.

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To the Editor:

In the Feb. 6 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, a Harper Woods resident addressed a letter, "Bond complaints," generally opposing the efforts of the Harper Woods Public Schools to gain voter approval of a bond to replace the educational facilities in our district.

Some of the letter writer's points are valid: Voters are being asked to approve a \$41.98 million school bond issue, the proposal calls for replacing Beacon Elementary School and Harper Woods Secondary School and demolishing the current obsolete structures; taxpayers are currently paying the debt on two previously approved bonds (although the levy is for a bit less than the 3.7 mills reported by the letter writer).

I would like to address a couple of misstatements that the letter writer makes in his letter:

- It has not been decided that Tyrone Elementary School will not be demolished. While no final decision has been made, a promise has been made that Tyrone will not be abandoned and shuttered. Several alternative uses are

being discussed.

- The letter writer states that residents are taxed separately for operating expenses and that "six mills are also sent to the State of Michigan." The same six mills that are sent to the State of Michigan are returned in the form of a foundation grant to use for operational purposes; that is the only tax levied for operational purposes. It has nothing to do with the debt tax in our district.
- The letter writer suggests that taxes will be raised to cover the well-publicized deficit in the state budget. Since passage of Proposal A in 1994, school districts cannot ask that taxes be raised to cover a deficit. Spending must be cut.
- Finally, the letter writer likens the district's estimate of actual out-of-pocket costs to the average taxpayer as "Enron economics." There is nothing under-handed about the estimates. As in all estimates, assumptions are made. Given the average taxable value of a home in Harper Woods and an average household income, taxpayers who take advantage of the federal tax deductions and state Homestead Property Tax Credits may realize an out-of-pocket cost of only \$31.00.

No one argues that \$41.98

million dollars is not a lot of money in a community the size of Harper Woods. However, the citizens' advisory committee that made the recommendations to the board of education knows that the price tag will only increase if the community waits any longer to upgrade its facilities. The members could not recommend, in good conscience, that the taxpayers of Harper Woods put any more money into the old and obsolete facilities that have served the children of Harper Woods for more than 50 years.

A commitment to the future of this community and to its children demands that we pursue this very bold step now.

Daniel E. Danosky
Superintendent,
The School District of
Harper Woods

Bond concerns

To the Editor:

After receiving the package of information from the Harper Woods' Board of Education, I have several questions and thoughts about the bond issue.

I am a parent who is a registered voter, taxpayer and who has three children who graduated from schools in the Harper Woods district. I have retired from one profession and am currently



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employed to keep up with the cost of living in today's world.

First, I applaud the school board and the Citizens Advisory Committee on their ambitious goal of new schools and their concern for our community and our children. All of the items that are mentioned are worthwhile goals and would be nice to have in the Harper Woods school district.

Secondly, I have questions, some I have answers for, some I do not.

From the descriptions given, are the schools really falling down? And are they so outdated that our children are really getting a poor education? Are the repairs needed so costly that it is unrealistic to consider them? Is the figure of \$32 million to "upgrade" the schools, plus \$250,000 annual maintenance, a scare tactic to OK the \$41.98 million bond? Do we really need an all-weather track and football field? How often will the community use the two new gymnasiums? How accurate is the average income figure for Harper Woods? Where did that figure come from?

My response to the situation is that I believe that the goals of the board are lofty but at a high cost. Almost \$42 million is an extremely high figure, considering the current economic times. The state of Michigan is planning cuts to our school budget as we speak. Gas prices are soaring. Tax assessments are rising. A \$260-a-year increase for the bond issue means that a home-

owner's escrow account will increase by that amount, or more, depending on who the mortgage company is — unless, that is, you own your home outright.

As absurd as this may sound, I have a solution for the problem. The city of Harper Woods should refuse to pay the Wayne County Community College assessment (virtually no benefit to the city), and use that money (I pay over \$100 a year) for our new schools. That would pass hands down.

Finally, the school board has put an issue up for vote that tugs on the heartstrings of every parent: the children and their education. But its goal seems to be a very costly "brass ring" with no compromise, no middle ground. Yet the common sense of the issue says there is a middle ground. March 3rd's vote will decide if the heart or the brain will be victorious. Personally, I have a short time to decide myself.

George Toy Jr.
Harper Woods

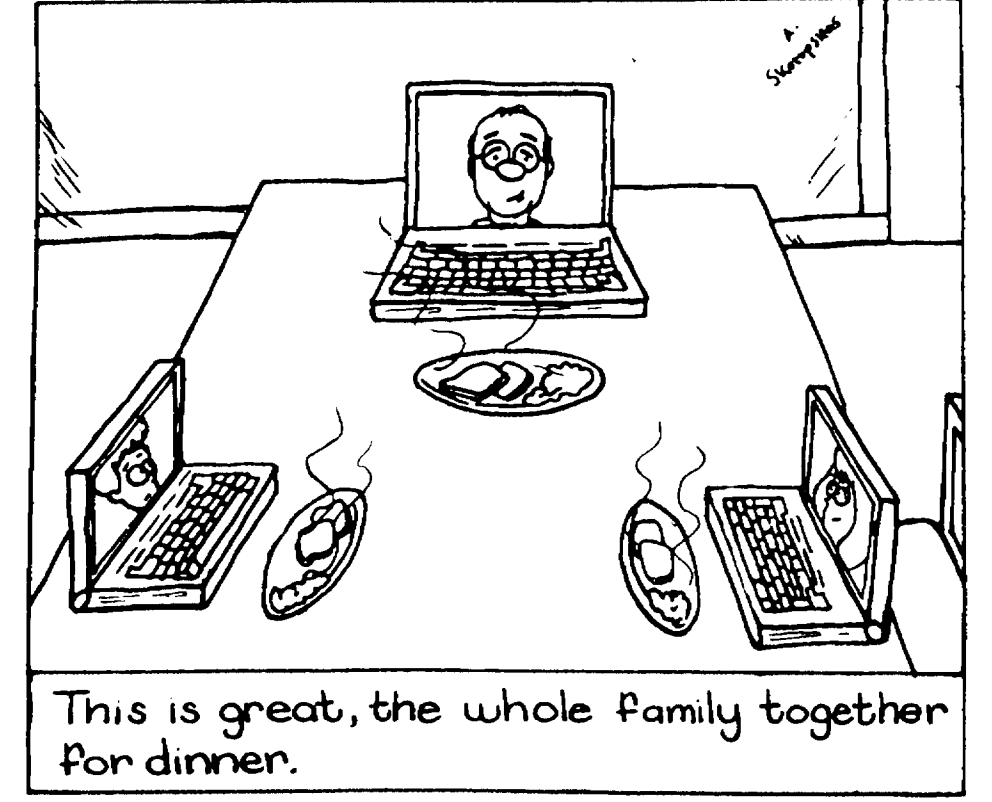
David and I support the upcoming bond election. If I may, I'd like to give you a brief history on Katie: She was born at 25 weeks gestation weighing only 1 pound, 4 ounces. She spent over three months in the neonatal intensive care unit fighting for her life. She has been through numerous surgeries and doctor visits.

She has endured more in her short four years of life than most of us have in our entire lifetime. Katie has cerebral palsy, BPD, and asthma ... physical disabilities, not academic disabilities. But then I thought about it, there is an academic disability — our schools!

Katie is eligible to start kindergarten at Beacon this fall. Unfortunately, I do not see a safe environment for her.

How will she be able to attend the art and music classes on the second floor? What about the playscape, will someone be there to assist her? With the overcrowded classrooms, due to inadequate classroom size, how will she be able to maintain balance among 18 to 20 other kindergarten classmates? There are no handrails exiting and/or entering the Woodside and playground doors.

Our schools have served their purpose. The buildings are literally falling apart. The size of the classrooms is inadequate and most importantly, the schools do not meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)



Random thoughts

I haven't gathered enough material for another installment of redneck jokes. But the series, like Robert E. Lee and the rest of the traitors from the Old South who took up arms and betrayed the United States, will rise again.

Some local public officials have tried to rationalize their poor performance by hiding behind their volunteer standing.

Don't buy it. Volunteer members of councils, committees and commissions may not receive direct finan-

cial compensation, but they're paid nonetheless.

They're paid in authority, prestige and standing.

As a highly-rated administrator in one of the Grosse Pointes said, "Being elected to political office is the only job you can get without having any qualifications whatsoever."

I hold volunteers to a high standard. Remember, they volunteer. They don't have to accept their appointments. They don't have to accept authority. They don't have to accept privilege. They choose to assume their standing.

By accepting positions of authority, appointees are put as if by magic in positions to direct the duties of specialists within city



I Say

Brad Lindberg

administrations, the well-being of residents and the pocketbooks of hard working business owners. It shouldn't be a free ride.

Appointees and the people who put them in office often to carry small town political gain should know that credibility depends on accomplishment. People in authority should be competent enough to

accept responsibility for their actions or lack thereof. The same holds true of low-paid members of city councils.

Certain public officials complain that I don't write enough positive articles about their city.

Sorry, but productive management is their job. I just write what happens. If

they don't like it, they should do a better job. Make good decisions, show leadership, solve problems, get things done — give the public something favorable to read about.

It would be unethical for me to take money from city officials to look the other way when they screw up. It wouldn't be right for me to take money for advice on how to make a routine action look like a genuine accomplishment. Why should I do it for free?

When I get into trouble with a reader it's usually for one of two reasons: I either quoted the person or didn't.

Often, people don't realize how their comments will look in print. That's under-

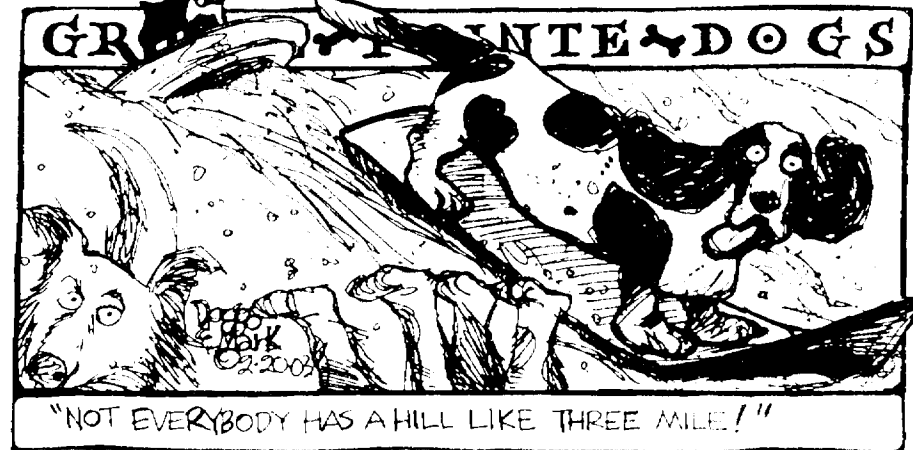
standable, but not my concern. I'm not known for cleaning up people's quotes.

Other people are so desperate for attention that they'll say almost anything to be quoted in the newspaper. It's not uncommon for certain city council members, desperate to project an impression of relevance, to be the fourth or fifth in line to agree or disagree on a subject that has already been discussed, resolved or tabled.

If you want to be quoted, be a credible source; make meaningful comments and say them first.

Who's going to be the first reporter to quip that Gov. Jennifer Granholm has dug in her heels on a subject?

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What advice would you give girls about friendship?



Jessica Dixon

and it shall follow as the night the day. False to anyone."

— Patti Stumb, principal, Our Lady Star of the Sea.



Marquita Bedway

"Friendships are incredibly powerful in girls' lives. Enjoy them, but don't let them totally define who you are."

— Noel Hribljan, MSW, Grosse Pointe Schools.



Sara VandenBoom

"Keep in mind that your friends now may not be your friends forever, and that you will find out who are your true friends in time."

— Sara VandenBoom, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"The bond between teenage girls is one of the most important influences on a girl's life. But as necessary and right as they may seem, it is just as important to remain true to yourself."

— Renee Thoma, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Learn more about this topic at "Queen Bees: Empowering our Daughters to Navigate the School Hallway Politics" on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. To register, call (313) 432-3832.

Suzy Berschback is a freelance photographer in Grosse Pointe Farms and co-author of "Grosse Pointe 1880-1930." She welcomes suggestions for questions to her e-mail address at suzyberschback@comcast.net.



By Suzy Berschback

"Without exception, the early adolescent and teen years are the most tumultuous time in a girl's life. Not only is social success a part of a girl's development, but it is also central to her happiness. My advice to today's teen girls is to remember that friends will change and alliances will shift. As a girl becomes a woman, her thoughts and interests change, and she will seek out other friends with whom she shares these qualities."

— Jessica Dixon, MSW, Harper Woods schools.



Patti Stumb

"...Our children face situations that are more complicated today; the proliferation of cell phones and instant messaging has increased the fallout in that gossip (destroyed reputations) spreads like wildfire. Most teens are not equipped to handle this degree of stress without adult guidance."

— Marquita Bedway, Ph.D.



Noel Hribljan



Renee Thoma

fyi

by Ben Burns

Bada bing

City resident Ted Coutilish was caught posing as a leather-jacketed tough guy at the Toy Chest in Dearborn to illustrate the winners of a Freep contest celebrating the ending of the fourth season of "The Sopranos." HBO's hit drama about life inside a dysfunctional Mafia family.

More than 100 readers entered the writing contest to predict the futures of the cast of characters. Coutilish, who in real life is a marketing director at Wayne State University, originally earned his degree in journalism and obviously still harbors desires to write.

His second-place scenario ends with main character Tony driving off into the night in his SUV, smoking a cigar as friend Artie's restaurant explodes in a fiery ball as seen through the rear view mirror.

Coutilish didn't tune in to the series until the third season but made up for lost episodes by reading all the scripts online, according to the Detroit Free Press.

"I probably watch it too much," he told the Freep. "It enveloped me." You can catch the entire 52 episodes in reruns during the next year. I thought the first season was pretty entertaining, the second OK, the third average and the fourth worth finding something else to watch.

If all this is a foreign language to you because you don't watch HBO or violent crime dramas, "Fugedabout it," as the good fellas say.

Fun fundraiser

For more than a quarter century, the Foundation for Exceptional Children (FEC), now part of the Children's Home of Detroit serving special-needs kids, has held its annual fundraiser at Barrister Gardens in St. Clair Shores on Harper between Nine and 10 Mile roads.

For \$250, you can entertain nine friends at your own table March 7, dance to the Teen Angels, drink beer and wine and eat pizza and take part in a silent auction from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Individual tickets are \$30, and the proceeds provide scholarships to needy children with disabilities. All in all, it's a nice evening and good entertainment for a good cause. Call (313) 885-8660 for reservations or e-mail dmoffat@childrenshomeofdetroit.org. The FEC program is located at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church at 16 Lakeshore.

Eagle-eyed

A bald eagle was spotted having lunch in a tree on Cherryhurst just off Lakeshore in the Farms last

week. Jackie Fox took one look and broke out her video camera because she figured no one would believe her. "It was huge," she reported. "I have never seen one so close. It was eating something. I hope it wasn't someone's small dog."

She recorded about 30 seconds of video for her children to take to show-and-tell at school before the big bird left.

It must be something about their being our national symbol, but it always gives me a thrill when I see a bald eagle.

Green thumb

There is an old journalism axiom that if you really want to know what is going on in a town, hang out at beauty parlors or barber shops. But the axiom in the Grosse Pointes is a little different. If you have a dying orchid or other exotic plant give it to Emiko Boyle, a hair stylist at Maier & Werner on Fisher Road in the City.

Boyle apparently has the magic touch, and a wilting, yellowing, failing specimen will frequently return a few weeks later healthy and blooming.

My spies, since I don't frequent beauty parlors or barber shops, tell me, however, that Boyle has temporarily closed her plant hospital, because she is running out of places to keep the patients.

I should, in the interest of journalistic ethics, confess that Jill Moore and Sheila

Sperti of the Farms gave me a gift certificate for a complete hair styling at Maier & Werner several years ago. I intend to use it as soon as I grow hair.

A February face

Professor Enoch Brater makes a return engagement next Thursday evening (Feb. 27) at 7:30 p.m. to the Grosse Pointe South High School amphitheater to continue the Classics Books Lecture Series.

This time he will discuss Shakespeare's "Othello." The lectures are free to members of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library and students and \$10 for others. You can register by calling (313) 343-2074, extension 204.

About 70 folks braved the cold and snow last month to hear Brater discuss the background of Greek theater and Euripides' "Medea." Brater said "Medea" may have only been performed once as the winner of a contest for best play at a particular event. The play was one of the first to question believing in individual fate, and its examination of self-introspection.

Cogent comment

Wall Street Journal columnist Robert L. Bartley commenting Feb. 10 on the controversy over the University of Michigan's affirmative action policies

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requirements.

The millions of dollars that it will cost to renovate 50-year-old buildings, to meet the ADA requirements, is just not worth my money — our money. Not to mention, I do not want my children exposed to five years-plus of renovating the schools, with all the dust, dirt and any other material that may be unsafe for our children.

My daughter is too young to fight for the rights she is entitled to, the right to attend a public school that is safe and one that can accommodate her needs. It is, however, my responsibility as a parent to stand up for the rights of my child.

Letter writer, my request is that you come tour the schools to become better educated with the bond issue. It's not about, and I quote you, "a 1/2-inch crack in the wall," it's about providing a safe and secure learning environment for our children. It's about drawing people into our community for "state-of-the-

art" schools that meet the needs of all children, including our handicapped children.

Just think letter writer, people will want to move to Harper Woods and stay in Harper Woods to attend the schools that we have built.

We need to move forward, send our children the right message and give them the technology they deserve, the technology they need to survive in today's world.

Katherine Smith
Harper Woods

Requirement
to appoint

To the Editor:

Several weeks ago I submitted my name as a candidate for the vacancy on the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council. My credentials included many community activities as well as 24 years in the real estate business and eight years on the Grosse Pointe City Council.

I was surprised to see the names of all the candidates in the Grosse Pointe News, but even more surprised to

read that the Farms council only wanted candidates who would promise not to run for the council in November.

I informed the mayor that I had never promised not to run if selected, and asked him to take my name off the list of candidates if that were a stipulation. He did so.

I have to wonder about the reasoning behind the council's position on this issue. I am not the kind of person who sees himself as a seat warmer for nine months.

Being a member of the council should involve accountability to the citizens of the community. It should also involve bringing background and knowledge of the community to that position. This I felt I could contribute, but to spend the time working on current issues in the Farms, then to be abruptly terminated in November didn't seem logical.

It was very interesting to me that in the same issue (Feb. 13) of the Grosse Pointe News that reported

the appointing of a new council member in the Farms, "Farms council picks veteran Herdeggen to fill vacancy," there was an article, "G.P. Park Mayor Heenan acts fast to fill council vacancy," about Grosse Pointe Park having appointed someone to Vernon Ausherman's seat on the Grosse Pointe Park City Council. The appointee noted that he will "stand for election in November, and hopefully the voters will return me to the council."

That sounds logical as anyone on a council who makes a decision with which the citizens of the community disagree can be removed by their votes.

It does seem as though the Farms council is not doing the community any favor by eliminating any candidate who is committed enough to the community to want to remain on the council beyond the nine months remaining in the term.

I hope that future councils will reconsider this as a requirement to appointment.

Myrna Smith
Grosse Pointe Farms

Justified
re-election

To the Editor:

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council last week elected Robert Herdeggen, a former council member in 1968-1970, to fill the unexpired term of Ed Gaffney who was elected as our state representative. This term expires in November 2003 — just eight months from now.

Although a number of qualified citizens had indicated their willingness to serve on council, I nominated Bob Herdeggen because: a) our citizens had previously elected him to council, and b) he had indicated he would not run for re-election in November.

To me, these two facts were of paramount importance.

For our council to choose someone else would be arrogant — we would have supplanted the choice of a few

council members for a choice already made by our electorate in a past public election. On what grounds could we possibly justify this?

Further, if council chose someone who would run in the fall election, a few members of council would be bestowing the title "incumbent" onto their choice — which would be a very big "leg up" for that individual's re-election in November. On what grounds would we justify biasing an election that is only eight months off?

By choosing a former experienced council member who would be able to immediately contribute and who would not run for re-election, I believe the council chose the best of all worlds appointing an experienced individual, who reflected our citizens' prior choice, without biasing the upcoming election.

Charles S. "Terry"
Davis III
Council Member
Grosse Pointe Farms
City Council

FYI

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color?"

made this observation: "The equal protection clause ... is there for a reason. Do we really want to live permanently as a society where one of two neighbors in Grosse Pointe gets 20 extra points on the basis of skin

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SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES FEBRUARY 10, 2003

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Kneiser, Council members Joseph Herdeggen, Davis III, Therios, Farquhar and Schonenberg.

Those absent were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Solak, City Manager; Reeside, City Clerk; Modzinski, City Controller; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Ferber, Director of Public Safety.

Mayor Kneiser presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 6, 2003 were approved as submitted.

The Minutes of the Closed Sessions held January 6, 2003 and January 20, 2003 were approved as submitted.

The Council acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the Minutes of the Public Hearing held January 6, 2003; granted the appeal of Mr. Thomas McKenney, 113 Muir; granted the appeal of Dr. Joseph O'Loughlin, 265 Kenwood Ct.

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Council member Robert Herdeggen, who will fill the vacancy on the Council until November, 2003.

The Council adopted Items 1 & 3 of the Parking & Traffic Committee Report and referred Item 2 back to the Parking & Traffic Committee for review.

The Council tabled the matter pertaining to the renovation of the council chambers until February 24, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council approved the purchase of meter violation computer system for the public safety department.

The Council approved payment of the Statement of Attorney's fees from the law firm of Dickinson, Wright.

The Council tabled the matter pertaining to tree bids to February 24, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council approved the emergency expenditure for the booster station.

The Council approved the proposal to develop an RFP for the Pier Park Recreation Building.

The Council approved the bid to sell the rubbish packer in the amount of \$11,500.

The Council set a Public Hearing date for Monday, March 10, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. to consider the formal adoption of the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

The Council removed the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures from the Consent Agenda to be discussed on February 24, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council scheduled a Regular Meeting for Monday, February 24, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held for the purpose of discussing litigation, labor matters and real estate issues.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD. THE MEETINGS ARE PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Ronald V. Kneiser,
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Shane L. Reeside
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Camcorders missing

Two Sony camcorders were reported missing from a television production studio at a Grosse Pointe Farms school sometime between Jan. 6 and Jan. 22.

A teacher said the cameras were left on a table in an unlocked room.

The camera cases and cables were left untouched.

On the way to 'high' school

A 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms male and a 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods male may have bigger concerns than just getting caught skipping school on Thursday, Feb. 13.

The two were pulled over at Williams and Cloverly in the Farms at 9:36 a.m. because the driver, the Farms male, was not wearing a seat belt. The pair claimed to be on their way to school. The officer was suspicious because the pair was traveling away from the school, and the inside of the car smelled of marijuana.

Officers searched the car and found rolling papers, a "nickel" bag of a substance that tested positive for marijuana and five unopened cans of beer.

The Woods male was arrested and the Farms male was referred to the youth officer.

Big sister, big trouble

Grosse Pointe Farms youth officers are looking for a 16-year-old Farms girl who assaulted a student and

threatened her and her friend at a Farms middle school on Thursday, Feb. 13.

The 16-year-old assaulted a seventh-grade girl by hitting her head and shoulder into a locker and then threatened both students by saying, "If you mess with my (expletive) sister, then you'll have to deal with me."

Apparently, the 16-year-old's younger sister, who also attends the school, had concerns about the assaulted student who she claimed gave her "a bad look."

Garage theft

A sawsaw, a set of golf clubs and a shop vacuum were taken from a garage in the 500 block of St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe sometime between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14.

The resident said the garage door was closed when he left for the day.

Stop and go traffic stop

A Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officer had intended to only pull a driver over for faulty equipment. Instead, a minor driver of the vehicle was cited for possession of a controlled substance and being a minor in possession of alcohol.

An officer signaled the 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods driver to pull over at Mack and Warren at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15. The driver did so, but not until after hitting the brakes and lurching forward six times before stopping eight feet in the intersection on a red light.

Officers searched the car

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after they smelled an odor associated with marijuana. They found three cigarettes that tested positive for marijuana and three 40 ounce bottles of beer in the car.

Party problem

Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officers assisted officers in Grosse Pointe Shores in breaking up an underage drinking party on Belle Meade on Sunday, Feb. 16.

A neighbor, who knew the residents of the house were out of town, called to complain about the noise at about 9:30 p.m. When officers arrived at the house, they saw about 15 to 20 youths drinking beer inside the house.

Officers mobilized to detain most of the partygoers, who either fled on foot or in cars or hid in the house. One Shores officer lost the tip of his finger when his hand went through a neighbor's window while trying to apprehend three fleeing partygoers. The officer has been released from a local hospital. Investigators are looking for a lone youth who fled the scene after the accident.

Twenty-two youths were detained and then released to their parents and guardians, including a 15-year-old Farms male and a 17-year-old Farms male, who were relatives of the homeowner and hosts of the party. In addition, another 17-year-old Farms male was arrested for possession of narcotics and narcotics paraphernalia.

Bonnie Caprara

Brys patrol

On Friday, Feb. 14, at 1:12 p.m., a Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officer was monitoring traffic on Brys Drive when he saw a pickup truck run a stop sign at Helen. The driver, a 25-year-old Detroit man, was cited and arrested for three outstanding misdemeanor traffic warrants from Detroit.

Checked out

A 29-year-old Detroit man has been arrested for trying

to cash a fraudulent check at a bank in the 19300 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Within minutes of tellers becoming suspicious, the man left the bank but was caught driving a black 1995 Ford station wagon in the area of Mack and Moross.

The man also had fake California identification.

Woods nabs peeping Tom

A peeping Tom from Grosse Pointe Woods has been caught prowling Grosse Pointe Woods.

On Friday, Feb. 14, at 10:47 p.m., an off-duty U.S. Customs agent saw the 33-year-old man looking into the windows of a home in the 2300 block of Stanhope.

The female agent yelled at the man, who stepped toward her. She drew her pistol; he hopped a fence and ran away — but not far.

Numerous Grosse Pointe Woods police, alerted by the agent to look for a 5-foot-8 man with a goatee, captured the man a few houses down the street.

The man admitted a "problem with voyeurism," police said. Officers said the man had a "criminal history of prowling in Harper Woods and one prior arrest (in 2001) but no conviction in (Grosse Pointe Woods) for the same charge."

Tools taken from garage

A Craftsman red air compressor and a Poulan leaf blower were stolen from an open garage in the 800 block of Shoreham in Grosse Pointe Woods between 8:35 and 8:45 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 14.

The homeowner remembered hearing a disturbance but assumed it was city employees making a trash pickup.

Library refutes problem child

Grosse Pointe Woods police have been unable to validate an 11-year-old Harper Woods boy's com-

plaints of violence by librarians while being expelled from the Woods branch at about 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13.

Librarians told police of "continuous problems with (the boy) and other youths."

According to police, "Library employees said (the boy) kept other people from exiting/entering the library and threw snowballs at windows. Problems similar to this have occurred for several months."

18-year-old drunken driver

On Saturday, Feb. 15, at 1:50 a.m., an 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man was arrested for drunken driving after disregarding a stop sign at westbound Oxford and Holiday. Police impounded his green 1984 Pontiac four door. Officers said an initial test revealed the driver's blood alcohol level at .075 percent but a later measurement registered .09 percent.

Bad checks

The Grosse Pointe Woods prosecutor is looking for a Detroit man who paid a \$45 parking ticket with a bad check in August. The man has not responded to written notices to make due.

A Madison Heights heating and cooling contractor is in the same boat. The man bounced a \$145 check for a Woods building permit. When city officials tried to collect payment in November, the man said he was "putting the check in the mail," police said. The man's checking account has been closed due to a negative balance.

—Brad Lindberg

Wheels stolen

On Monday, Feb. 10, a

woman noticed that the passenger side wheels and rims of her vehicle were missing. The vehicle was left on cement blocks. The woman reported the crime to police at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Car damage, theft reported

A woman dropped her daughter off at school on the 20000 block of Kelly at 3:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11 for band practice.

She went into the school and then returned to her vehicle where she found the driver side window was broken, the door damaged and the lock had been tampered with. The woman's black plastic purse was missing; it had been on the floor of the vehicle when she went into the school.

The police found the purse on the north side of the school in between the parking lot and brick perimeter wall. The woman said \$15 was missing and everything else in the bag was still there.

Trailer missing

A trailer with a bobcat loaded onto it was parked on the 20400 block of Woodland at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 12. When the man owning the vehicle returned to its location, he found it missing.

Tires lost at gym

On Thursday, Feb. 13, a woman went to the gym on the 19100 block of Vernier. When she returned to her car she found the rims and wheels had been stolen. She reported the crime to police at 9:09 p.m. on the same day.

—Carrie Cunningham

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

One man responsible for a rash of home invasions in the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms will be serving five to 15 years in the Wayne County Jail.

David Groner, attorney for Gary Peter Doppelberger, 38, of Detroit, entered a guilty plea in the 3rd Circuit Court on Tuesday, Feb. 11 for a charge of home invasion in the City and a charge of home invasion in the Farms.

Doppelberger was not present for the plea and sentencing. He is being held in Chippewa County Jail on narcotics charges.

Doppelberger was originally charged with two counts of home invasion in the City and two counts of home invasion in the Farms.

City and Farms detectives believe he is responsible for as many as 14 home invasions in both cities.

Farms Detective Michael McCarthy said, "He has admitted to being involved in as many as 150 home invasions in the area. He's been at this for about 20 years."

In addition to the sentencing, Doppelberger was ordered to pay restitution to the victims by Judge Margie Braxton. Restitution was ordered after hearing a victim's impact statement given by a Farms resident.

City Detective Lt. James Fox said it may be difficult for Doppelberger to pay restitution to all of his victims.

"He was quiet busy," Fox said. "He sold so many items from so many home invasions to so many people."

Fox said that one City victim was given back a stereo system that was taken from her house, but her missing jewelry could not be found.

"She was very happy to get her stereo back," Fox said.

In addition, an accom-

plish, a 33-year-old Detroit man, was arrested last weekend for a home invasion that took place in the first block of Muir in the Farms on Aug. 16, 2002. He was scheduled to be arraigned in the Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court on Wednesday, Feb. 19, after press time.

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Officers, medics & residents receive public safety awards

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Twenty public safety officers, four paramedics, a dispatcher and three residents were recognized for their efforts by the Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety.

Public Safety Director Robert Ferber presented the awards at the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council's Monday, Feb. 10, meeting.

Six officers received the Director's Award, which are given to officers who performed in an exemplary manner for an assigned task or to those officers who took on additional responsibility in assisting the department in reaching its goals.

Recipients of the Director's Award include:

- **Detective Michael McCarthy**, who was awarded for his "meticulous attention to detail, creativity and perseverance, which resulted in the arrest of a habitual career criminal and his accomplice who were responsible for ... over 150

home invasions."

Together with City of Grosse Pointe Detective Lt. James Fox, their investigation involved many overnight trips to northern Michigan and executions, search warrants in Detroit and Roseville and the recovery of stolen property.

- Public safety officer **Stephen Puckett** was recognized for developing the department's 9/11 exhibits, displays and formal ceremonies.

- **Lt. Jack Patterson** and **Sgt. John Hager** were recognized for their five years of co-chairing a committee to research and develop specifications for a replacement of the department's 1973 aerial ladder truck.

- **Lt. Brian Bilinski** was recognized for his nomination to and his completion of the FBI National Academy in early 2002.

- Public safety officer **Collin Lince** was recognized for accomplishments in purchasing, developing

and maintaining the department's police and fire hardware and software systems and programs.

- Public safety officer **Frank Zielinski** was recognized for his initiative, creativity and community-oriented police accomplishments. They include obtaining Michigan State Police Advanced Accident Training Certification I through VIII, researching and purchasing all traffic bureau equipment and technology needs and maintaining the department's in-car video system.

Zielinski was also credited for implementing a program in which he trains residents who are concerned about speeders on their streets to use a hand-held radar gun. Information collected by the residents is forwarded to the public safety department, which issues advisory letters to the owners of the vehicles.

Others were granted awards made upon recommendations by fellow officers and substantiated by a merit review board consisting of the department's deputy director and the presidents of the police command officers and police officers associations.

Paramedics **Cheryl Wojciechowski** and **Matthew LaLone** were given lifesaving citations for helping to deliver a baby who was born prematurely and rescuing the baby's mother, who was in danger of bleeding to death while in premature labor at her home on Oct. 23, 2002.

Public safety officers **Traci Reitzloff** and **Keith Colombo** were also given lifesaving citations for their assistance.

Colombo was given another lifesaving citation along with fellow officers **Andrew Rogers** and **Geoffrey McQueen** for pulling a victim from a burning vehicle on Mack on Dec. 16.

- **Detective Lt. Mark Brecht**, **Lt. Richard Rosati** and public safety officers **John Bruno**, **John Shimko**, **Michael Buckley** and **Lince** were awarded unit citations for apprehending two juveniles sought in a residential burglary in progress on Sept. 30. As a result in the follow-up investigation, it was determined the two juveniles were also responsible for two prior home invasions at the same

residence.

- **Patterson** was also given a lifesaving commendation along with paramedics **Kenneth Keinz** and **Charles Meas** and public safety officers **Bryan Ford**, **Christopher Fontaine**, **John Mikesell** and **John Walko**. They were awarded for their efforts in restoring the heartbeat of a 91-year-old choking victim on Sept. 2, 2002.

- Civilian inmate dispatcher **Donald Dewey** was given a departmental commendation for his observation of a prisoner on March 19, 2002, who was in the process of removing a metal vent cover from the upper corner of a cell, which could have been used by the prisoner to injure himself or an officer or used in an attempt to escape.

In addition to his two lifesaving citations, Colombo was also given two departmental commendations. On Nov. 8, 2002, he was cited for conducting the arrest of a drunken driver with a stolen vehicle containing open intoxicants and narcotics paraphernalia. A day later, Colombo apprehended the driver of a stolen vehicle

in a foot chase in Harper Woods after the driver crashed the car and abandoned the vehicle.

- **Puckett** and **Zielinski** were also given departmental citations for their work in arresting a habitual felon and recovering a stolen vehicle on May 2, 2002.

In addition, three residents were given awards for assisting the public safety department in fulfilling its mission.

One resident award went to **John R. Parnell**, who has been a member of the Grosse Pointe Farms Emergency Support Team for over 21 years and has served as its commander for 12 years.

The Rev. Robert D. Wright of the Grosse Pointe Center Methodist Church was also presented a resident award for his volunteer work as public safety chaplain.

Donna Hamill was given a resident commendation for giving an accurate description of a vehicle, license number and occupant that led to the arrest of a habitual felon and the recovery of a stolen vehicle on May 2, 2002.

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Jumps to ask for Farms' last liquor license

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The owners of Jumps restaurant plan to petition the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council for the city's last available Class C liquor license for the second time in the past five months.

Chad and Mavell Stewart, owners of the Hill eatery, requested a special meeting on Monday, Feb. 24, to ask the council to consider them "above all others" in the first step of applying for the license from the state Liquor

Control Commission. Such consideration would also be a determination in their acting upon additional available space adjacent to their restaurant in the basement of an office building at 63 Kercheval. They have until Friday, Feb. 28, to exercise that option.

"We will have capacity for 80 seats," Mavell Stewart said. "Currently, we have seating for 48."

Stewart added that they would renovate the new and existing spaces and would add some new dishes to the menu.

The Stewarts asked for city approval in September 2002 but were asked to come

back after they could present firm plans for expansion. They also placed but withdrew a request in 1995 because of limited space.

While Roy Moore, attorney for the Stewarts, said they were preapproved for a loan for the expansion, Councilman Terry Davis also wanted a financial reassurance that the Stewarts' plan would be viable.

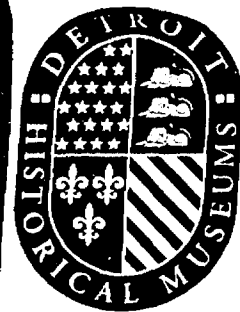
"As soon as we give up this liquor license, it's gone," Davis said. "They can sell it, and that's not what we intend. I need definite proof that Jumps can support its expansion and succeed. The reason why most people don't succeed is that they

undercapitalize."

Since the Stewarts operate the restaurant as a private concern, Moore offered to share the Stewarts' financial statements privately with council members. City attorney William Burgess said he would see if that arrangement could be carried out legally. At press time, no arrangements had been made.

After the meeting, Davis said some of the council members may have concerns about parking and dumpster placement.

There are no other liquor license applicants on file in the Farms.



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- ♦ A lecture on the history of the Grosse Pointes by Jean Dodenhoff, curator from the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, at 1 p.m. in the Louise C. Booth Auditorium, followed by the film "Recollections of the Past 1675-1900."
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C. Richard Abbott

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City of Grosse Pointe resident C. Richard Abbott, 67, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003.

Born in Illinois in 1935, Mr. Abbott received his bachelor's degree and law degree from the University of Illinois. He received his master's degree in tax from New York University.

He served as a captain in the U.S. Army. Upon leaving the Army, Mr. Abbott settled in Detroit and served as regional counsel for the Internal Revenue Service.

He was a founding partner of Abbott, Nicholson, Quilter, Eschaki and Youngblood in 1977.

Mr. Abbott was a fifth generation member of the Unitarian Church.

He was a gracious host, and enjoyed entertaining and traveling. He was an avid patron of the arts and a connoisseur of all things epicurean.

He is survived by his wife, Diane; his daughters, Pamela Marek and Deborah Mucci; his stepdaughter, Susan Montgomery Monica; his stepson, James W. Montgomery II; his five grandchildren; his sister, Kathleen Green; and his brother, George "Buck" Abbott.

A funeral service was held on Monday, Jan. 13, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

Interment is in the Memorial Garden of Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, The Memorial and Friendship Fund, 17150 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230 or to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 1169 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

Irene Chagot Bien

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Irene Chagot Bien, 85, of East Grand Rapids, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2003.

Beverly residents, theater get parking permits

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

With nine people and six cars, parking had been a problem for the Dragovic family, residents of Beverly in Grosse Pointe Farms.

It was even more of a problem when students from Grosse Pointe South High School lined the private road with cars during school hours.

"The police would ticket cars, including our own," Dr. Jadranka Dragovic said.

Parking was also a problem on school days for the Grosse Pointe Theatre, which does not have a parking lot at its office on Fisher south of Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

Now the problem is solved for the theater group, the Dragovics and other residents of Beverly.

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council approved the issuance of parking permits on school days only for five spaces on Beverly and two spaces on Grosse Pointe Boulevard at its Monday, Feb. 10, meeting.

The permits were granted upon the recommendation of the Farms council's parking and traffic committee, which had received requests from the Dragovics and the John Snyder family on Beverly and the Grosse Pointe

She was involved in the family movie theater business, Chagot Enterprises.

Mrs. Bien and her family supported The Variety Club of Eastern Michigan and the Children's Charity for Disadvantaged Kids.

She graduated from Grand Valley State University in 1976. She worked at the Women's Resource Center in Grand Rapids, and was devoted to her work there, helping women learn strategies for work skills for life.

She is survived by her daughter, Suzanne Bien House, her grandson, Glenn W. House III, her granddaughter, Meredith Ann (Jose Portales) House, and her great-granddaughter, Natalia.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, Feb. 22, at noon at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Grand Rapids.

Interment is in Graceland Memorial Park.

Arrangements were made by Metcalf and Jonkhoff Funeral Service in Grand Rapids.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Women's Resource Center, 678 Front Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504.

Sara E. Conway

Former City of Grosse Pointe resident Sara E. Conway, 44, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2003, at Meadville Medical Center in Pennsylvania.

Born in Wyandotte in 1958, Ms. Conway graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1976.

She was an active member of Alcoholics Anonymous, where she spoke at meetings, and enjoyed working with young people and families.

Ms. Conway also enjoyed training and showing horses, owning three herself.

She is survived by her daughters, Ali E. Lutz and Leah T. Bouch; her son, Matthew T. Orbin; her brothers, Van E. Conway and Paul M. Conway; her sister, Linda R. Shuker; two nieces; and two nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, Paul M. and Barbara Conway.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, Feb. 13, at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Arrangements were made by A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Directors in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to Conway Children's Trust Fund, c/o Van E. Conway, trustee, 491 S. Old Woodward Ave., No. 340, Birmingham, MI 48009.



Nancy Hayward Heaton

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Grosse Pointe Farms resident Nancy Hayward Heaton, 81, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2003, at Bon Secours Hospital.

Born in Detroit in 1921, Mrs. Heaton graduated from Lippitt School in 1939.

She was a member of the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of Michigan, the Country Club of Detroit, the Grosse Pointe Club, the Junior League of Detroit and the Tau Beta Association.

She enjoyed traveling with her husband and visiting parts of the world that are no longer readily accessible to tourists.

Until recently, Mrs. Heaton continued to make regular trips to England, sometimes with her children, whom she introduced to the Chelsea Flower Show and many great houses and gardens of note.

Always concerned about the welfare of animals, Mrs. Heaton supported the World Wildlife Fund, Michigan Humane Society and the Detroit Zoological Society.

She enjoyed working on jigsaw puzzles she and her husband commissioned from favorite cards and prints. She was also an avid reader.

Mrs. Heaton is survived by her daughters, Leslie H. (Robert) Evans and Jennifer B. (Derek) Fritz; her sons, Michael H. (Camilla C. Lockwood) Heaton and Jonathan J. Heaton; and her grandchildren, Amy H. Evans, Holly J. Jenness, Wendy E. Evans and Emma B. Fritz.

She was predeceased by her husband, Eppa "Bill" Hutton Heaton; her daughter, Rebecca Dade Heaton; and her sister, Mary B. Murphy.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Interment is in Christ Church Columbarium.

Arrangements were made by Chas. Verheyden Inc. in Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Detroit Zoological Society, 8450 West 10 Mile Rd., Royal Oak, MI 48067e



Nancy Jean Maclean

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City of Grosse Pointe resident Nancy Jean Maclean, 59, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2003, in her home after battling cancer for more than five years.

Mrs. Maclean graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1962. She attended Michigan State University and Wayne State University, where she received her bachelor's degree.

A member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for 44 years, Mrs. Maclean was active in nursery and Sunday school activities as well as recently serving as a deacon.

She was also a tutor at the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Indian Village.

Mrs. Maclean loved dogs. She was an avid sports-woman and enjoyed skiing, boating and tennis.

Her frequent visits to her sister-in-law, Josie, in Harbor Springs, were a great source of joy.

She loved to travel and enjoyed trips to Europe, the Caribbean and Mexico.

For more than 20 years, Mrs. Maclean enjoyed sponsoring children through the Christian Children's Fund. She was an active Junior League member and was a volunteer for WJR's Call for Action. She also volunteered at Karmanos Cancer Institute and Gilda's Club.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth; her son, Kenneth; her daughter, Catherine; her parents, Helen and Donn Kipka; her brother, Donn; her sister, Catherine; five nephews; and three nieces.

A memorial service was held at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church on Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Foundation, 18831 West 12

Mile Rd., Lathrup Village, MI 48076 or to the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.



Henry Navarre Peabody III

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Former City of Grosse Pointe resident Henry Navarre Peabody III, 42, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 13, 2003.

Born in Kentucky, Mr. Peabody was a construction manager in northern Michigan. A graduate of Western Michigan University, he was an avid outdoors sportsman and golfer.

He is survived by his wife, Jan Cischke Peabody; his two children, Adrienne Ruth Peabody and Henry Navarre Peabody IV; his mother, Ruth Ogden Peabody; his

brother, James (Michelle) Peabody; their children, Alexander and Elise Peabody; his aunts, Carol Peabody Gray, Barbara F. Ogden and Mary O. Loyer; his friend, Judy Sue Botkins; and numerous cousins.

A funeral service was held on Monday, Feb. 17. Arrangements were made by Chas. Verheyden Inc. in Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the trust fund of Adrienne and Henry Peabody, c/o Jan Peabody, 724 Peppermill Ct., Lapeer, MI 48840.

Maxine J. Roth

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Maxine J. (Marsack) Roth, 70, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 13, 2003 of breast cancer.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Ralph; her children, Larry (Beth) Roth and Lisa Roth (Jaime Perozzi); her grandchildren, Ginna, C.J. and Austin; her six siblings; her friend and niece, Hillary; and many relatives and friends.

A funeral service was held on Sunday, Feb. 16 at Chas. Verheyden Inc. in Grosse Pointe Park.

Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Maxine J. Roth, Hospices of Henry Ford, Bon Secours/Cottage Team, P.O. Box 02220, Detroit, MI 48202-0220.

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, March 10, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236 for the purpose of considering the formal adoption of the proposed Amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance.

The Hearing is public. Interested property owners and residents of the City are invited to attend. You may also review copies of said Amendment at the City Clerk's Office.

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Sophisticated sounds from local jazz quartet

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Several Grosse Pointe South High School students have taken their instrumental music classes to the next level.

As apart of the Tom Stoepker Quartet, South senior Paul Mardirosian, juniors John Maltz and Tom Stoepker, and Kimball High School senior Ian Emerson entertain the masses with their sophisticated jazz sounds.

"It all started with the jazz combo at school," Mardirosian said of the formation of the group. "We broke apart from that so we could have the freedom to do our own thing and play our own style of music."

Each band member has a unique love of jazz and performing.

Mardirosian has been playing the saxophone since he was in the fifth grade.

Maltz handles the percussion in the quartet; Emerson plays the bass, and Stoepker, whom the group was named after, plays guitar.

Instead of the traditional

pianist accompanying a typical jazz quartet, the boys opted to substitute a guitarist.

"It makes the sound more contemporary and allows more room for individual expression," Mardirosian said.

"The guitar is a unique instrument," Stoepker added. "You have the freedom to accompany solos and add extra color to the sound, just as a piano player would, but you can also play multiple tones at one time."

The group has been playing together professionally just for the past five months but will soon part ways when two of the members go on to college.

But until that time comes, the boys will continue to perform together.

"I love the opportunity to play in front of people," Stoepker said.

"It's great when everything comes together on stage. It takes a lot of chemistry," Mardirosian added. "You can try new things and create new sounds up there in front of everyone. We are always connecting and

working off each other to create something new."

Jazz is the group's music of choice because of the amount of creative expression it allows.

"What draws me to it is the spontaneity, creativity and challenge that jazz allows," Stoepker said. "Jazz is improvisational. It fascinates me to be creative and expressive, and in one moment, it all comes together. It is sophisticated and complex. Playing jazz is extremely fulfilling."

The group performs every other Thursday at a coffee shop in Grosse Pointe Park.

They have also played gigs at other venues such as a wedding, the Detroit Artist's Market and at fundraisers for the Grosse Pointe Lion's Club.

"We enjoy seeing the appreciation of our fans who recognize and respect what we're doing," Stoepker said.

Several of the band members are also in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's civic jazz program.

For more information about The Tom Stoepker Quartet, call (313) 881-3883.



The Tom Stoepker Quartet performs twice a month at a coffee shop in Grosse Pointe Park. The band members are, from left, guitarist Tom Stoepker, bassist Ian Emerson, drummer John Maltz and saxophonist Paul Mardirosian. Three of the musicians are students at Grosse Pointe South High School, where they are instrumental music students, and several members are in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's civic jazz program.

St. Paul teacher wins national science award

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Teaching her St. Paul Catholic School students about water quality paid off for Colleen Cushing.

The project she organized for her class was selected to receive a Science and Your Health Challenge award from Lysol and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA).

Cushing received \$1,000 to support her professional development and her attendance at NSTA's national convention in Philadelphia.

She also was honored with \$500 to purchase materials for use in her science classes.

The unit began by coinciding with National Water Monitoring Day on Oct. 18. Students began studying the water cycle including things such as precipitation, evaporation and condensation.

With a hands-on, inquiry-

based learning strategy, the students learned how water cycles through the environment.

They took a field trip down to Lake St. Clair and tested the water for things such as the amount of oxygen and turbidity.

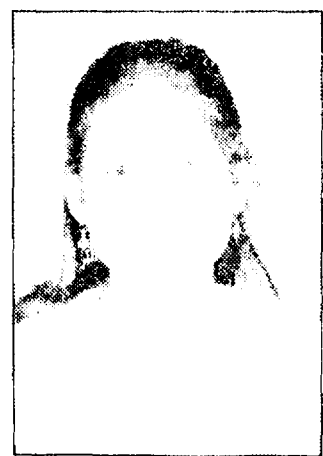
Cushing felt this was a very important part of the unit.

"We did it partly because of all the legislation going on about Lake St. Clair becoming the next Great Lake," she said.

Another important aspect of the field trip was to localize a nation-wide problem such as pollution.

"The students learned that this is happening within our own community," she said. "It made a connection between a national problem and the students' own backyards."

Cushing was thrilled to receive the award and plans



Colleen Cushing

to make full use of the funds she was awarded.

"I want to use it to its best advantage," she said.

The students are currently working on a recycling unit and are studying how solid waste affects the environment.



Photo provided by Lillian Kachadourian

A tasty good time

Second graders in Lillian Kachadourian's class at Trombly Elementary School had a morning of baking and reading all mixed together.

Michelle Bommarito was invited as their "guest celebrity reader" and combined her talents in the kitchen with the artistry of making, baking and decorating cookies. The students wore their chefs hats with pride and enjoyed listening to "The Seven Silly Eaters."

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Defer hosts kindergarten open house

Defer Elementary School will hold a kindergarten open house for parents and children on Thursday, March 6, from 4 to 5 p.m. Extended day kindergarten will meet in Room 203 and half-day kindergarten will meet in Room 104. Registration will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. in the school office.



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SCHOOL NOTES

Tower ranks best in student journalism

Ranking among the best in student journalism in the country, Grosse Pointe South High School's student newspaper, The Tower, will be recognized with a Crown Award at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association's 79th Scholastic Convention on Friday, March 21, at Columbia University in New York.

At this convention, staff members will be honored with either a Silver Crown or a Gold Crown.

The staff has won the highest recognition many times in the publication's history.

St. Clare writers salute heroes

Three students from St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School have been named local winners in the 34th annual America & Me Contest.

The three students, Nicholas McGowan, Julia Chateau and Danny Bye, earned first, second and third place awards for St. Clare, respectively.

Several thousand eighth grade students from nearly 525 Michigan schools participated in this year's contest. The topic was "My American Hero."

Thespian society inductees

Students from Univeristy Laggett School were recog-

nized by the Educational Theater Association and International Thespian Society.

The following students were recognized as thespians: Carol Perry, Gregory Smith, America Dectaky, Remy Conn and Elle Engstrom.

Students reaching honor thespian status are: Kacie Andrusch, El Carhet, Leanne Lawwell, Evan Messenger, Layen Morgan, Emily Wicks and Alexandra Davenport.

Being recognized as a "thespian" requires students to commit a minimum of 100 hours in service to the ULS Players troupe 5253.

Being recognized as an "honor thespian" requires students to commit a minimum of 150 hours of service to the troupe.

Alumnus donates \$15,550 of artwork

A gift of artwork valued at \$15,550 was presented to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education at its meeting on Monday, Feb. 10.

Lunga Testa graduated from Mason Elementary School in 1951, from Porcells Middle School in 1953 and Grosse Pointe High School in 1956.

Testa donated the artwork to the Grosse Pointe Public School System as a way of giving back to the community.

The pieces will be distributed among the three schools Testa attended and the Board Office.

CAC documentation shows HW schools dilapidated

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

The interior and exterior facilities of Beacon Elementary, Tyrone Elementary and Harper Woods Secondary School show extensive deterioration, a report from the Citizen Advisory Committee reveals.

These findings from the committee — comprised of citizens, administrators and teachers in the district — was the basis for the school tours held last week.

The district aim for these sessions was to educate the public about the upcoming March 3 bond election, which calls for \$41.98 million in bond funds to build two new schools and raze Beacon and the Secondary School.

Built in 1942, Beacon Elementary has many faulty characteristics, the findings said. On the outside, the ventilation grilles are rusted. The entrance canopies are falling apart.

On the inside, carpet seams are unraveling near the administration offices. Windows function poorly; the paint finishes

at the window transitions are cracked.

In the bathroom, toilet partitions have scratched and bent components. The cabinet doors are in bad condition, and the floors are stained. Ceiling tiles are stained at the stairway bulkhead.

There are many parts of Beacon that do not comply with ADA measures. There is no elevator for people with disabilities to get to the second floor. The reception office area does not have a lower accessible area. The restrooms do not have fixtures that are compliant with ADA regulations.

The administration area has a hard time controlling heat. There are many complaints about the space being too hot. There are two ceiling fans and an air conditioner that doesn't work well.

Gymnasium light fixtures have been damaged by objects hitting them. Storage space is limited.

Classrooms are undersized, and the carpet is tattered. The media center is likewise smaller than average.

Tyrone, built in 1959, shows a similar

regression in facilities, the report said. On the outside, the planter box close to the front entrance is damaged, and the gutters and down spouts are deteriorating.

On the inside, concrete block walls require painting, and some have cracks in them.

In the bathroom, ceilings are peeling, some fixtures are in disrepair, and the toilets are in bad condition.

In the gymnasium cafeteria, ceiling tiles appear loose and some are missing.

The Secondary School, housing both the Middle School and the High School, likewise show signs of deterioration, the report said. The High School was built in 1951 and the junior high wing was added in 1955.

On the outside, the space near the courtyard is depressed and does not allow water to reach to the storm sewer catch basin.

Pronounced vertical cracks mar the pool building corners, block window openings and the brick face at the boiler room entrances.

Inside the building, lockers are falling

apart; trim pieces are missing, rusted or dented inward, making them almost impossible to use.

Carpeting in the corridors is in disrepair.

In the boys and girls locker rooms, ceilings are stained and peeling due to water damage. The walls are cracked, and handrail brackets at stairs are loose. Ventilation and heating are not working properly. The showers in the girls locker room do not function.

Many areas are not ADA accessible, including the bathrooms, pool spectator area, the district office and facilities on the second floor, including the girls locker room.

Classrooms are undersized. The science labs do not have enough space to service the layout of lecture and lab. A ventilated chemical storage room is wanted.

The food lab is also in poor condition, and the cafeteria is under-sized.

If you have further questions about the condition of the buildings, call 313-839-1296 or e-mail Superintendent Dan Danosky at DANOSK@harperwoods.k12.mi.us.

Police department report reveals crime lowered since 1999

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Harper Woods has seen a decrease in major crimes in the past four years, according to a police department incident comparison report.

The report, assembled with the Court and Law Enforcement Management Information software tracking system, shows 2,158 crimes reported in 2002, down from 2,598 in 2001 and from 3053 in 1999.

The areas that saw an increase from 2001 were burglaries/home invasions, motor vehicle thefts and weapon offenses.

There were 179 burglaries/home invasions in 2002 as opposed to 126 in 2001. Both figures are down from 201 offenses, however, where there were 201 offenses.

Lt. Randolph Skotarezyk said last year's increase can be attributed to a string of multiple robberies by the same men, who were eventually caught.

| Harper Woods Incident Comparison Report | | | | | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Description | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Total |
| Assault Offenses | 352 | 297 | 359 | 301 | 1,309 |
| Larceny Violations | 1,442 | 1,296 | 1,109 | 862 | 4,709 |
| Damage to Property | 376 | 403 | 253 | 201 | 1,233 |
| Burglary/Home Invasion | 138 | 201 | 126 | 179 | 644 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 260 | 282 | 256 | 259 | 1,057 |
| Weapon Offenses | 56 | 66 | 64 | 72 | 258 |
| Major Crime Total | 3,053 | 2,968 | 2,598 | 2,158 | 10,777 |

Source: Harper Woods Police Department.

up slightly from 2001 where there were 256. Both figures are down from 2000, with the total at 282. The highest rate of car theft was in 1978 when there were 450.

Skotarezyk said car thefts can often be an intractable problem.

"While we get convictions, it's extremely difficult to put car thieves in jails," he said. "There's an apathy in the court system as to the seriousness of the crime."

Weapons offenses have increased steadily since 1999, totaling 72 in 2002 up from 56 in 1999.

The major crimes that have seen decreases include assault offenses, which includes domestic violence, larceny violations and damage to property.

There were 301 assault offenses in

2002, down from 352 in 1999.

Eight hundred and sixty-two larceny violations occurred in 2002 down from 1,442 in 1999. Seven hundred and thirty of 2002's violations occurred at Eastland Center, which Skotarezyk commended for their vigilance in stopping crime.

"The mall is policing shoplifters," he said.

Two hundred and one crimes damaging property occurred in 2002, down from a high of 403 in 2000.

Both Skotarezyk and Police Chief Larry Semple said the crime rates ebb and flow, but ultimately the levels are pretty consistent if you look back 10 and even 20 years.

"Historically, our crime rate has been the same over the years," said Semple.

The department forwards all its crime statistics to the FBI, who place the data into a Uniform Crime Report, which comes out in October.

Students celebrate black history month

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Students at Harper Woods Secondary School are delving into the rich and varied contributions of African-Americans throughout American history.

As part of Black History Month, students have written essays on a wide range of African Americans. The school offered an essay contest in which the winner, senior Shianta Bailey, won a \$400 scholarship for her paper on radio commentator Martha Jean Steinberg. Last year's winner was Keiya Woodson, who wrote on Medgar Evers. She won a \$500 scholarship.

"As educators, we should show kids all types of history," said English teacher Norm Duewecke. "We think it's important for kids to learn about minority culture."

"They have to be challenged by something new," added English teacher Marcella Warner.

Shianta Bailey said it is important to balance the school's curriculum by studying significant African Americans.

"We study white authors and authors of other races all throughout the entire year," she said. "We don't really devote a lot of time to African American authors, and by writing these essays, it gives every person in grades nine through 12 a chance to pick one person, (to) know something about at least one person. That's better than nobody."

Bailey saw Martha Jean Steinberg as a path breaking figure. She worked at WJLB in Detroit and grew very popular through her

commentary. She soothed a rattled public during the 1967 civil disturbance.

"I think it was good because a lot of people turned to her," Bailey said. "They looked to her, and she helped calm them down."

For Woodson, studying Medgar Evers was an enlightenment of one of the civil rights movement's heroes.

"I knew about Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, but I didn't know anything about Medgar Evers until I did research," she said. "He did a lot of the same things they did. He just wasn't recognized."

Woodson has great admiration for Evers. "He was humble. He had a strong will. He knew what he wanted and died trying to get where he wanted to be," she said.

Woodson thinks it's essential to study African-Americans in American History.

"It's important because a lot of people don't know what African Americans have contributed to America and to society," she said. "As African Americans, we have come so far."

Some of the other African Americans students studied included Benjamin Banneker, the first African American to publish an almanac, Louis Armstrong, Mary Eliza Church Terrell, an activist and worker for suffrage, Rosa Parks, Jesse Owens, Maya Angelou and W.E.B. DuBois.

Writing about activist Mary Eliza Church Terrell, tenth grader Bridget Wagner concluded her essay



Harper Woods Secondary School celebrated black history month with an essay contest. Pictured above from the left are teacher Marcella Warner, last year's essay winner Keiya Woodson, this year's winner Shianta Bailey, and teacher Norm Duewecke.

Moceri receives leader award

Joe Moceri has been awarded Merrill Lynch's Lifetime Community Leadership Award.

The award recognizes Merrill Lynch employees who display a leadership capacity in significant community organizations.

Raised in Harper Woods, Moceri has lived in Rochester Hills for the past 20 years.

A Vice President and Senior Financial Advisor for Merrill Lynch, he has served northern Detroit communities for 11 years. He is a member of the Board of Directors of North Oakland's YMCA. There he has chaired the Capital Campaign, which raised \$3 million for a new state-of-the-art Y facility in Auburn Hills.

Moceri is also a member of the Rochester Rotary Club and a charter member of the Rotarians Drill Team. Additionally, he serves on the Board of Trustees for Michigan State University's Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

"I'm flattered," Moceri said about receiving the award. "I think it's nice to be recognized. I'm proud of it."

Correction

In the Feb. 13 article "Discussion of bond issue for two new HW schools heats up," it was stated that Tyrone school will be razed if the bond issue passes. Tyrone will not be razed, only Beacon and Harper Woods Secondary School will be. The fate of Tyrone has not been decided, but district officials have stated that it will not be abandoned. Some options for its use include turning it into an early childhood center or placing the district's administrative offices there.

See Page 9A for Police Briefs

Tax advice

Have questions about your upcoming income taxes? Go to the Harper Woods Library on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 6:30 p.m., where Linda Hodge, a Master Tax Advisor with H&R Block, will answer questions. The program is free. Call 313-343-2575 to register.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the testing of the Computer Program for the Special School Election to be held on March 3, 2003, will be carried out on Thursday, February 27, 2003, at 11:00 a.m. in the Superintendent of Schools Office, located at the Harper Woods Secondary School, 20225 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan.

The test is to assure the validity of the computer program which will be used to count ballots for the Special School Election to be held March 3, 2003. The public is invited to attend.

Claudia Mahon,
City Clerk

G.P.N. 02/20/2003

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS

Sealed proposals will be received at the offices of the City Clerk, City of Harper Woods, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48228-2098 up to 10:00 a.m. local time, Wednesday, March 5, 2003, at which time they will be publicly opened and read for the construction of the 2003 Pavement Joint and Crack Sealing Program in the City of Harper Woods, Michigan.

The approximate quantities involved in this work are as follows:

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The drawings and specifications under which the work will be done may be examined at the office of the City Clerk and copies may be obtained on or after Monday, February 17, 2003, 12:00 Noon at the offices of Anderson, Jackson and Westrick, Inc. 81301 Schoenherr Road, Shelby Township, Michigan 48155.

There will be a \$20.00 NON-REFUNDABLE charge for each set of contract documents received. There will be an additional \$10.00 charge for each set marked. Bids may be inspected unless made on the forms as included with the bidding documents. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a proposal guaranty in the form of a certified check, bid bond or cashiers check acceptable to the Owner in an amount at least equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the Proposal. Checks shall be made payable to the City Treasurer. The deposit of the successful bidder shall be forfeited if he fails to execute a contract and bonds within fourteen (14) days after award. The Proposal shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of the bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond, Labor and Material Bonds and Maintenance Bond, each in the full amount of the Contract.

The right is reserved by the City of Harper Woods to accept any bid, to reject any or all bids or to waive irregularities in any bid in the best interest of the City.

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

POSTED February 12, 2003
G.P.N. 02/20/2003

SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD MARCH 3, 2003

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the special election of the School District of the City of Harper Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held on Thursday, March 3, 2003.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

The following proposition will be submitted to the voters at this special bond election:

REINFORCE PREVIOUSLY

Shall School District of the City of Harper Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, for now the sum of not to exceed Forty-one Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$41,950,000) and a sum of not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500,000) and a sum of not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of:

Erecting, furnishing, equipping, repairing, maintaining, reconstructing, renovating, school buildings, and designing and constructing district, school, and school and athletic fields and facilities.

The following information is for informational purposes only.

The estimated millage that will be levied for this purpose is 1.0000 on 2003, under current law, is 6.57 mils. School District of Harper Woods valuation for a total 2003 bond issue is \$41,950,000. The estimated millage for this bond issue is 6.57 mils. The maximum number of years to amortize this bond issue, exclusive of any refunding, will not exceed thirty (30) years. The estimated simple average annual debt service for this bond issue to retire this bond debt is \$8.88 million (\$8,880,000) each \$1,000,000 of bond valuation.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds for capital facilities and the proceeds cannot be used for operating expenses, salaries, wages, teacher, administrator, or employee benefits, or other operating expenses.)

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ELECTORS AT THIS ELECTION, WILL BE GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BONDS PAYABLE FROM GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES.

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. A
Voting Place: Harper Woods Secondary School, 20225 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan.

PRECINCT NO. B
Voting Place: Beacon Elementary School, 19415 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan.

PRECINCT NO. C
Voting Place: Tyrone Elementary School, 19527 Tyrone, Harper Woods, Michigan.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of School District of the City of Harper Woods, Wayne County, Michigan.

Claudia Mahon
Secretary, Board of Education

G.P.N. 02/20/2003 & 02/27/2003

Dow spurts 159 points prior to three-day weekend

Traders seldom trade into a three-day weekend and prefer not to hold stocks over such a long period of time.



By Joseph Mengden

By 11:59 a.m. on Friday's one-day, 159-point rally actually started Thursday at noon when the 3 1/2-week down market ended with a 50-point jump prior to the close.

Floor traders are concerned about missing the beginning of the hoped-for rally when the war actually commences.

They liken the present market to a wound-up spring which, when released, will propel the market upward.

But they are well aware that overwinding might break the spring, releasing the market to cascade downward.

For the week ended last Friday, the Dow regained 45 points, to close at 7,909.

Let's talk...STOCKS

10Y: 4.1% 30Y: 4.1% 1M: 4.1% 3M: 4.1% 6M: 4.1% 1Y: 4.1% 2Y: 4.1% 3Y: 4.1% 4Y: 4.1% 5Y: 4.1%

while the NASDAQ Composite rose 28 points, closing at 1,311.

The New York Times (Feb. 13) quoted John Person, head financial analyst at Infinity Brokerage Services, who explained: "With the overhanging clouds of the Iraqi situation, renewed fears of terrorism and tensions with North Korea, this

market breeds fear. And fear drives stock prices lower."

Weather or not

Even though, geographically, Iraq is in the Northern Hemisphere, Baghdad is well above the 20th parallel (north latitude), about the same as our Albuquerque or Memphis.

Iraq's climate is influenced by the westerly winds from northern Africa and the Arabian Peninsula, so their spring is hotter than our worst summers.

When President Bush says, "Time is running out," he's referring to the weather, not the UN inspectors' timetable.

Reverse splits

When LTS last wrote about the then-proposed AT&T 1-for-5 reverse split (See LTS, Nov. 7, 2002), its stock was expected to rise from an estimated \$5 (after sale of its cable division to Comcast) to \$25 per share.

Now, three months after the cable sale and reverse split, AT&T closed last Friday at 17.87, about 28 percent below target.

Like father, like daughter. Would you believe that AT&T's daughter, Lucent Technologies (LU), about 1.70 last Friday, held its annual meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19, to vote on a reverse split to be determined solely by its board of directors: either 1 for 10, 1 for 20, 1 for 30 or 1 for 40.

Good luck, LU-LU!

Tax-free dividends

What a brouhaha President Bush started with his plan to eliminate the double taxation of dividends!

Now the Fed chairman got ensnared in this spider web. In his appearance before the Senate last week (Feb. 11), Alan Greenspan said he still preferred the tax cut he done at the corporate level rather than the stockholder level.

But before the House on Feb. 12, Greenspan was quoted by the New York Times as saying that eliminating taxes on most stock dividends would "almost surely increase the aggregate of economic activity over the long term and

might provide a small immediate boost as well."

Years ago, LTS recalls another attempt to eliminate the double taxation on dividends.

After prolonged congressional debate, all the taxpayers got was a \$100 dividend exclusion per year (taxable reported dividends were \$100 less than dividends actually received).

Big deal? Then, after several years, they voted to take back the \$100 exclusion, which is where we are now.

Could be something like that will eventually emerge from the upcoming debate?

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- 10) "This Old House";
- 11) NG snakes;
- 12) history;
- 13) cartoons;
- 14) Spanish; and
- 15) an inner city crimes/drugs movie.

That's when LTS gets out our Home TV Library catalog, which lists all our movies, from A to Z, recorded in four formats, the original Beta, VHS, Video Disc

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 2/14/03

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Dow Jones Ind. | 7,909.14 |
| Nasdaq Comp. | 1,311.14 |
| S&P 500 Index | 834.14 |
| \$ in EUROS | 1.0706 |
| Crude Oil (WTI) | 26.00 |
| Gold (CZ) | 361.00 |
| 3 Mo T-Bills | 4.14 |
| 30-Yr T-Bonds | 4.90 |

and the new DVD. LTS has 320 movies, too many to record on VHS, on 51 blank cassettes will record six hours of three movies.

We have all 200 Fred Astaire "dancing" movies, all the 1967 James Bond extravaganzas, 10 Alfred Hitchcock directed thrillers and seven of the 10 "Black Panther" comedies, early Inspector Clouseau.

Do you talk about putting your shoot-lens up on a shelf? We have nine shows that run over three hours, the longest of which are "GWTW" at 2 1/2 minutes and "Lawrence of Arabia" also at 2 1/2 minutes.

LTS' all-time collection includes "The Godfather," "Smoking on the Water," "Viva Max!," "The Mad Mad Mad World of Dr. Frank & Jesse," "Blazing Saddles."

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, has received the 2002 AHP Harold J. Seymour International Honors Award, the highest honor given by the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy.

Business People



Bury

Robert Bury of Grosse Pointe Park has been hired as the Detroit Historical Society's new executive director. He replaced Richard Strowger, also of the Park, who retired recently after more than 20 years on the job.

Bury had been senior vice president and CEO of the Detroit Science Center, where he played a key role in the institution's \$25 million expansion.

Bury held various sales, marketing and external affairs positions during a 22-year career at SBC Ameritech in Detroit and Chicago. He has a bachelor's degree in economics and management from Oakland University and a master's degree in international technology management from Michigan State University.

Grosse Pointe Park resident **Janet Graham** has received national recognition from the Association of Local Administrators.

Graham was recognized for writing the article, "You Can Go Home Again" - the Merger of People and Technology. The article appeared in "The AGENDA," metropolitan Detroit's newsletter for legal administrators.

Graham is president of Graham Consulting, a provider of office management, human resources and benefits consulting for law firms and small businesses.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident **Jim Hermon** has been elected to the Children's Leukemia Foundation's board of directors.

Hermion is an attorney with Dykema Gossett. His expertise in law as well as his professional experience with medical, professional and organizations can help provide CLEF's services made him an ideal candidate for the board.

CLEF provides various forms of assistance to adults and children, affected by leukemia, lymphoma and related blood disorders.



Smiley

R. Glen Smiley has received the 2002 AHP Harold J. Seymour International Honors Award, the highest honor given by the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy.

Smiley is corporate vice president for philanthropy for Henry Ford Health System, where his \$160 million fundraising campaign was the largest in the organization's history.

He received the award for distinguished leadership in Association affairs and in appreciation for having fostered and promoted exemplary standards of excellence for volunteerism and philanthropic support.

Smiley lives in Grosse Pointe Farms.

William Saxton of Grosse Pointe Woods has received a tribute from the State Bar of Michigan for his 50 years as an attorney. Saxton is counsel, a director emeritus and former chairman and CEO of Butzel Long.

Saxton has received numerous awards, including distinguished service recognition from the Michigan bar's labor and employment law section. He has also authored several legal articles and been a guest lecturer.

Saxton is a trustee of the Detroit Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts and past president and trustee of the Historical Society for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. He is listed in "Who's Who in American Law," "Who's Who in America" and the business litigation section of "The Best Lawyers in America."

Oodles of Google games

My favorite, regular, old, Internet search engines are Google.com, Ask.com and Yahoo.com.

Why is Google first, you ask?

The answer is simple: Googleisms.

If you are not thoroughly confused, let me work on it.

First, I invite you to visit Googleflight.com. You pick two items, names or subjects, and put them in two separate boxes provided at the Web site.

Click on "Make a flight." The Google search engine will then see which one "wins," based on the number of search results it finds.

For example, if you put "Gore" in one box and "Bush" in the other, the search engine will find all the sites it can with those names in them. (Bush wins the popular vote, but it includes both Presidents Bush. Florida isn't counted.)

You can also try something like M&Ms and Eminem.

You can see some of the riotous battle results and the ones now in the Googlefight hall of fame. One of the fights of the month is mine. Care to guess which one?

One of my favorites is the Googlefight between French military victories (57,500 results) and French military

Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



losses (75,400). That's as close as I will come to a political comment.

No, it isn't.

My friend, Rick Sylvain, who used to be the travel editor at the Detroit Free Press, now handles press relations for Disney World. (Tough job.)

He sent me an e-mail that said Disney had to stop the nighttime fireworks at Euro-Disney in France.

It seems every time the fireworks went off, the French surrendered.

You can send nasty comments about that joke to me at the e-mail address below. They can be in either English or French. Je parle Francois, en petite peu. (I hope I spelled that right.)

Googlewhack.com is our next stop.

The idea is to compose a two-word query that yields just one Google result. This is tough.

My favorite is "squirreling dervishes."

Where did it come from?

It is how an SEC spokesman privately described Enron executives who had busily packed away their ill-gotten gains.

I don't mean to hang Enron, but my second favorite also dealt with them.

"Demurrable insufficiencies" hints at espionage as a possible defense Enron officials may use in their trials. It's used to downplay creative accounting.

Next stop is Googleism.com.

You supply the words, your name, hometown or spouse's name, and see what "opinions" pop up.

Entering my name brought up the following statements (sic): michael maurer is anna elisabetha kolb; michael maurer is known to us as michael mower; michael maurer is one of the best experts in poker; michael maurer is living in Sherman oaks.

I like the poker result the best. Wasn't it W.C. Fields who, when asked if playing cards with him was gambling, he said, "Not the way I play it."

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My new e-mail address is mmaurer@tdtconnect.

JOHN M. RICKEL, C.P.A., P.C.

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City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 2003 ASSESSMENT ROLL: Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Community Center of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan on

Tuesday, March 11, 2003
Tuesday, March 25, 2003

from 9:00 a.m. to noon, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST, for reviewing the 2003 Assessment Roll. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by their assessment, or who have any questions or comments, may make an appointment to appeal before the Board of Review by contacting the Tax Department (phone 313-343-2435) between February 24 and March 10, 2003. Resident taxpayers must appear in person or send an agent to appeal their assessment.

Tentative State Equalized Factors:
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Industrial Property 1.000
Residential Property 1.000
Personal Property 1.000

William B. Knapp,

G.P.N.: 02/20/2003, 02/27/2003, 03/06/2003 City Assessor

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2003 BOARD OF REVIEW SESSIONS

The Assessment Roll for the Township of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County and the Township of Lake, Macomb County, Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan, for the year 2003 has been compiled. The tentative equalization rates for residential and commercial property is 1.00 and the estimated residential multiplier for 2003 is 1.024, and estimated commercial multiplier is 1.00. An average increase of 10% will be reflected on assessments unless construction has been done to a home which would affect its value (assessment). The taxable increase for 2003 is 1.015 and will be applied to the 2002 taxable amount. The exception to this, is if there was a transfer of ownership, then the taxable and assessed amounts are the same. The Board of Review will hear official petitions on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2003

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
and
1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
and
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The Board will meet in the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building (first floor), 795 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores. All property owners wishing to appeal their assessments and wishing to file official petitions will be seen **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Appointments may be made by calling 884-0234. Petitions by mail must be received by the Board PRIOR to the last session (03/10/03) so they may be reviewed in a timely manner. Additionally, the Assessor, Mr. Timothy O'Donnell, is available to meet with you every Monday afternoon--You may call 884-0234 for an appointment.

GPN: 02/20/2003 & 02/27/2003

Debt from student loans: a hard lesson learned

By Mary Davis

Average, exorbitant, minimal, necessary and hand-capping — these are all words I've heard friends and family use to describe their level of debt.

The U.S. economy, high unemployment and an impending war has us assessing, and discussing, our financial situations.

None of the debt descriptors are as sobering as my friend Jack's words for how he sees his debt.

"I wake up each morning feeling like there's a noose around my neck," he said. "I wouldn't wish this on anyone."

Jack is talking about his college debt.

In college, we jokingly referred to Jack as "a lifer."

He was in a perpetual state of indecision about what he wanted to do with his life. He dabbled in biology, thought he wanted to become an engineer, tried his hand at theater and pursued a nursing degree — all before deciding to major in English.

At the end of his illustrious five-year undergraduate career, he could recite lines from George Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion," tell you

the molecular structure of DNA, take a mean blood pressure and wow you with his vast knowledge of loads and stresses.

But his knowledge came at a dear price of \$38,000.

Today, Jack lives a Spartan life. He's single, drives an aging compact and lives in a sparsely decorated one-bedroom apartment. Jack is determined to pay off his debt, but he's had to pass on a lot of life's amenities to do so. Jack's is a lesson that all college students who are borrowing to fund their education should heed.

His advice, which I echo: know your financing options, be willing to forgo loans for alternative ways of paying for college, know what you want to study, and if you don't, have the good sense to stop borrowing money until you do know.

• Advice No. 1: Know your financing options.

Students have a variety of educational loans from which to choose. There are subsidized loans, unsubsidized government loans, college-sponsored loans and private loans.

A Federal Perkins Loan is one of the more attractive loans in terms of interest

rate and repayment options. Schools award these loans based on a student's financial need. The interest rate for a Perkins loan is 5 percent. Students are not required to make payments while they're in school.

Subsidized Direct or Federal Family Education Loans (FFEL) Stafford Loans are also awarded based on a student's need.

"Subsidized" means the federal government pays the interest on the loan while the student is in school. The main difference between the two kinds of Stafford Loans is the source of the loan funds.

Under the Direct Loan Program, the U.S. government lends the funds for the loan. Under the FFEL Program, funds are lent from a credit union, bank or other lender that participates in the FFEL Program. Stafford Loans typically carry an attractive interest rate, usually about 3 or 4 percent.

Unsubsidized Direct or FFEL Stafford Loans are considered supplemental loans and are not awarded based on need.

Unsubsidized loans are available to students whose

expected family contribution is considered too high for them to qualify for grants and subsidized loans.

Interest is charged from the time the loan is disbursed until it's paid in full. If the student elects not to make interest payments while in school, the interest capitalizes, meaning the accrued interest will be added to the principal amount of the loan.

For complete information on the Perkins and Direct and FFEL Stafford Loans, including eligibility criteria and borrowing limits, visit the Department of Education's virtual Student Guide at www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/studentguide/2003_2004/english/index.htm

• Advice No. 2: Consider alternative ways to pay for college.

Though loans require minimal work to secure, they are financially paralyzing if borrowing gets out of hand, as in Jack's case.

Students, before you sign your promissory note — the legal document that specifies the terms and conditions of your loan — consider the following alternatives.

tives.

Look for scholarships from sources other than your school. Consider churches, civic organizations and even the company your parents work for. For other ideas, ask your high school guidance counselor and try the library.

To conduct a virtual search, bring up www.collegeboard.com.

Beware of Internet scholarship search companies that tout a "we guarantee a scholarship, or your money back" policy, or charge you a fee for a scholarship. They're probably frauds.

If your financial aid award package isn't what you think it should be, consider other schools. Your package will be much more attractive from a school that wants you.

If your high school grades aren't up to par, attend a community college for a year, study and make good grades.

Work part time and do some work in the community. These are scholarship-worthy accomplishments.

Attend a local community college and then transfer to a four-year institution.

Tuition and fees at a community college cost about half as much as they do at a state four-year school and thousands less than tuition for a private institution.

Two-year colleges often have what are called matriculation agreements with four-year schools.

A matriculation agreement spells out which com-

munity college credits a four-year college will count toward a baccalaureate degree. It also specifies what kinds of grades a student must achieve to be accepted at the four-year college.

Work part time during the school year. Employers around a college campus will likely be sensitive to your academic schedule.

Get a job in a department store over Christmas break and work over the summer. Any money you make will be that much less you'll have to borrow.

If you're interested in an agricultural or industrial course of study, look into programs at land grant institutions — colleges and universities that have been designated by the state to offer these courses of study.

The cost will likely be cheaper than similar programs offered at other schools.

To reduce room and board costs, consider becoming a resident advisor (RA).

Although RAs have the responsibility of looking after a floor of young, potentially raucous students, they live in the dorm for free, saving thousands of dollars.

• Advice no. 3: Know your course of study.

If you're going to dabble, do it at a community college. Or take a year off and work; do some volunteer work or travel, but don't flounder at the cost of your future.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League.

Prize scams: wining can feel like losing

by Lori Z. Bahnmueller

"Congratulations, it's your lucky day! You've just won \$5,000! You're guaranteed to win a fabulous diamond ring or luxury vacation!"

If you receive a letter or phone call with a message like this, be skeptical.

Chances are the \$5,000 prize may cost you hundreds of dollars in taxes or service charges — and never arrive.

Lured by the promise of free travel, I contacted a sweepstakes outfit years ago after receiving a teaser in the mail that proclaimed I'd won a five-day cruise.

Armed with my winning "confirmation code," I dialed the toll-free number to claim my prize. The "prize representative" was duly enthusiastic, but quickly lost patience after I began inquiring about fees, licensing, taxes and guarantees.

Before abruptly concluding our conversation, he made a play for my credit card number one more time. I need the card to cover the taxes and duty. I can't process your winnings until

that matter is covered."

Scam artists often use the promise of trips or other valuable awards to entice consumers to send money, buy overpriced products or services, or contribute to bogus charities.

People who fall for their ploys may end up paying far more than their prizes are worth, if they get a prize at all.

What these folks are likely to get may be more than they bargained for: more junk mail, dinnertime telemarketing calls and "spam," more unsolicited commercial E-mail.

This happens because many prize promoters invest in cheap giveaways to milk consumers for personal, nonpublic information to sell to advertisers. "Before I can release your prize, I'll need to verify some information."

Contest entrants might subject themselves to a bogus prize promotion scam.

A recent research poll showed that more than half of American adults entered sweepstakes within the past year. Most of these contests were run by reputable marketers and non-profit organizations to promote their products and services.

Some lucky winners received millions of dollars or valuable prizes.

Capitalizing on the popularity of these offers, some con artists disguise their schemes to look legitimate. And an alarming number of people take the bait.

Every day, consumers throughout the United States lose thousands of dollars to unscrupulous prize promoters.

During 1999 alone, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) received more than 10,000 complaints from consumers about gifts, sweepstakes and prize promotions.

There's a big difference between legitimate sweepstakes and fraudulent ones.

Prizes in legitimate contests are awarded by chance. Contestants don't have to pay a fee or buy something to enter or increase their odds of winning. In fraudulent schemes, "winners" almost always have to pay first and collect the prize later.

The FTC identifies several consumer laws that help protect consumers against fraudulent sweepstakes and prize offers promoted through the mail or by phone.

Telephone solicitations

Telemarketers frequently use sweepstakes and prize contests to sell magazines or other goods and services.

These telemarketers make an initial contact with consumers through "cold calls," or take calls from consumers who are responding to a solicitation they received by mail.

The Telemarketing Sales Rule helps protect consumers from fraudulent telemarketers who use prize promotions as a lure.

In every telemarketing call involving a prize promotion, the law requires telemarketers to tell you:

- The odds of winning a prize. If the odds can't be determined in advance, the promoter must tell you the factors used to calculate the odds.

- That you don't have to pay a fee or buy something to win a prize or participate in the promotion.

- If you ask, how to participate in the contest without buying or paying anything.

- What you'll have to pay or the conditions you'll have to meet to receive or redeem a prize.

The Telemarketing Sales Rule prohibits telemarketers from misrepresenting any of these facts, as well as the nature or value of the prizes. It also requires telemarketers who call you to

pitch a prize promotion to tell you before they describe the prize that you don't have to buy or pay anything to enter or win.

Written solicitations

Many sweepstakes promotions arrive by mail as a letter or postcard that instructs the consumer to respond by return mail or phone to enter a contest or collect a prize.

The Deceptive Mail Prevention and Enforcement Act helps protect consumers against fraudulent sweepstakes promotions sent through the mail. The law prohibits:

- Claims that you're a winner unless you've actually won a prize.

- Requirements that you buy something to enter the contest or to receive future sweepstakes mailings.

- The mailing of fake checks that don't clearly state that they are non-negotiable and have no cash value.

- Seals, names or terms that imply an affiliation with or endorsement by the federal government.

Much of this information is posted at www.ftc.gov.

Lori Z. Bahnmueller is vice president of Association Services for the Michigan Credit Union League.

G.P. Shores refinances sewer bonds

by Bonnie Caprara Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Shores will be saving over \$200,000 by refinancing its sewer bond.

The village council met at a special meeting on Thursday, Feb. 13, to approve the refinancing of the bonds, which were issued to finance \$3.8 million in 1995 at a progressive variable rate ranging from 6 to 6.0 percent and a true interest rate of 5.375 percent.

"Our adviser suggested because of our AA+ rating and good financial situation, we would be able to save a considerable amount of money by reinvesting," resident Dr. James Cooper said.

The refinancing package, with a progressive variable rate ranging from 1.1 percent to 3.8 percent and a true interest cost of 3.33 percent, runs through 2015.

The remainder of the prior debt service was \$3,360,150. The current debt service is \$3,030,008. The gross savings is \$266,000, and the net savings after costs is \$210,772.

"We anticipated saving about \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year," Cooper said. "We're able to save more money than we originally thought."

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OBJECTIVES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, March 3, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. by the City Administration at the Municipal Office, 90 Kerby Road, for review of Community Development and Coordinations.

The following activities are proposed for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 (subject to full funding by HUD):

| PROJECT | AMOUNT | PROJECT AREA |
|---|-----------------|--------------|
| Removal and Replacement Concrete Sidewalks and Sidewalk Ramps | \$26,850 | City Wide |
| Services for Older Citizens (SOC) | \$42,000 | City Wide |
| Administration | \$ 7,650 | |
| TOTAL | \$76,500 | |

The City invites its citizens as well as individuals or representatives of neighborhood groups to submit ideas and comments concerning this application.

Shane L. Reeside,
City Clerk

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Real Estate
By Alex M. Lucido
BRIGHT IDEAS

Your telephone rings. It is your REALTOR saying that he/she is coming right over with a prospect. You hang up the phone. What's the next thing you do? Turn on every light in the house. Why?

Because you want to give the prospect the best image you can of the comfort, beauty and livability you are offering. In other words, you want to sell a home, not a house. And full illumination is the best way to give your home that "lived-in" look. Furniture and rugs and fixtures take on a warm glow from the proper lighting. Here are a few bright ideas:

Turn on every lamp in the living room, bedrooms and family room. Be careful about turning off the overhead lights in these rooms for it could be harsh and make the room look uninviting. Turn on every light in a storage room or closet. Go all out in illuminating the kitchen - the cheerier the better. Brighten up the bathroom too - but carefully choose the right wattage for bulbs by the mirror, pick the most flattering one. Remember, it's just as important to have lights on in the afternoon as it is for a night-time showing. Call us for more bright ideas on selling your home.

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Where's your refund? Find out online at www.irs.gov

With the peak period for tax refunds approaching this month, the Internal Revenue Service is encouraging people to try a new Internet-based service that provides a quick, easy and safe way to check the status of their refund. The service is called "Where's my Refund?" and it's available on the IRS Web site www.irs.gov.

"This is the first tax-filing season that the 3.2 million Michigan taxpayers who get refunds can use a web-based service to check on their refunds," said IRS Michigan spokesperson Sarah Wreford. "Through

Feb. 5, more than a million taxpayers nationwide have already used the service, an average of 50,000 a day. Those numbers will grow because mid-February marks the peak period for issuing refunds.

"There's no better way to check on your refund than visiting our web site," Wreford added. "Using www.irs.gov gets you the information you need whenever you want it.

"Taxpayers using the web site feature also help free up IRS toll-free numbers to deal with other tax questions," Wreford said. "Checking on refunds ranks as the most frequent question we get through our phone system."

"With 'Where's my Refund?' taxpayers get the information they need quickly, efficiently and safely," she said. "It's a landmark development for tax administration as we continue to modernize our systems to give American taxpayers the type of services they deserve."

Simple online instructions guide taxpayers through a process that checks the status of their refund after they provide identifying information shown on their tax return. Once the information is processed, results can include one of several responses, including:

- That a return was received and is in processing;

- The mailing date or direct deposit date of the taxpayer's refund; or

- Whether a refund has been returned to the IRS

because it could not be delivered.

The results also include links to customized information that is based on the taxpayer's specific situation. The links guide taxpayers through the next steps needed to resolve any issues that may be affecting their refund.

The "Where's my Refund?" service meets stringent IRS security and privacy certifications. Taxpayers enter identifying information that includes their Social Security number, filing status and the exact amount of their refund, using both dollars and cents.

"Where's my Refund?" is accessible to visually impaired taxpayers with the Job Access and Speech (JAWS) screen reader used with a Braille display and is compatible with different JAWS modes.

Taxpayers without web access can get refund information by calling the automated refund service at (800) 829-4477 or by using the new IRS refund hotline at (800) 829-1954.

PET POINTER OF INTEREST

Stanford Blue

Name: Stanford Blue
"Go Blue."

Age: 4.

Breed: Border collie.

Family: Susan Etherington-McKinney of Grosse Pointe Park.

History: Like "A Bridge Over Troubled Water" she was adopted the day after her mom's Dalmatian "Greta Garbo" went to "Doggie Heaven." For many reasons, Blue's hero is Dr. Platz.



Stanford Blue

Favorite activity:

She gets her owner's three grandsons in a circle and tries to keep them "rounded up." She does the same for neighborhood kids - they love it. Blue will swim in any tiny puddle made when her owner water's the grass.

Favorite person: Carol the mail woman - they can't wait to see each other.

Favorite dog: Her next door neighbor - a lab named Boomer Bretz.

If you would like to submit your "Pet Pointer of Interest," deliver or mail a typed outline and photograph to the Grosse Pointe News, 906 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, or e-mail to postmaster@grossepointenews.com (photos must be high resolution).

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February 20, 2003

All that jazz

Local group brings straight-ahead sounds to the Grosse Pointes in its 13th year

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

A church in a quiet residential neighborhood would seem to be an unlikely venue for some of the area's top jazz musicians to play, but it's become a favorite spot for aficionados.

The Jazz Forum, headed by Grosse Pointe Park resident Jim Ruffner, is into its 13th year of bringing straight-ahead jazz to the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

"There's nothing else that matches what we are doing," Ruffner said. "It's a nice space to work in. It's an intimate setting and the musicians really like the acoustics."

Ruffner started the forum, a nonprofit group, in 1991 because of the lack of jazz venues on the east side and a desire to preserve the sounds of the golden age of jazz.

"When I started this, what you heard was music from the 1970s and 1980s, which even jazz musicians will admit was some pretty awful jazz," Ruffner said.

Ruffner also picked the church as an alternative to the bar scene.

"If you look around the country, you'll see a lot more music being played in churches and outside of the traditional settings," Ruffner said.

The venue, plus weekday shows, keeps ticket prices affordable. Ticket prices are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door and \$25 for the series of three shows.

In the past 13 years, Ruffner has drawn upon about 50 of the top groups in the metro Detroit area. Previous acts have included the George Benson Quintet, Marcus Belgrave and Friends and the Johnny Trudell Sextet.

"The key is to keep the music accessible and serious enough to appeal to the most serious jazz fan," Ruffner said.

The forum puts on two series of three concerts each year: one in the spring and one in the fall.

This spring's series includes Charlie Gabriel and

Friends on March 5, Los Gatos with Rayse Biggs on April 2 and Kate Patterson on May 7.

"Charlie Gabriel comes from a New Orleans family that's been entrenched in jazz for several generations and draws upon a wide range of jazz — traditional New Orleans, swing and be-bop," Ruffner said. "He takes entertaining the audience as job No. 1."

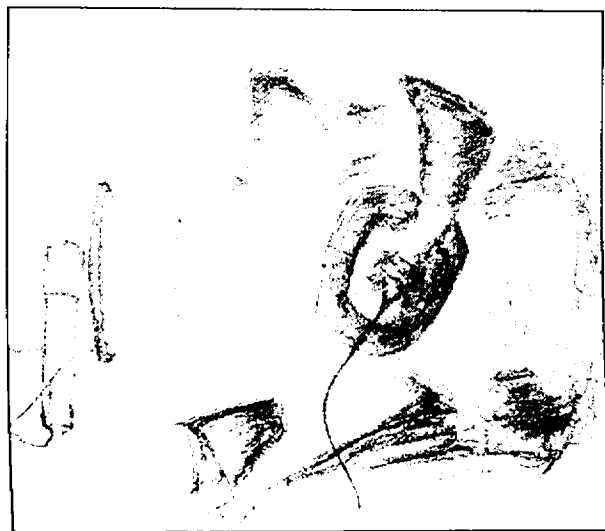
"Los Gatos, from Ann Arbor, is a Latin jazz group. I brought in Rayse Biggs to bring in a Dizzy Gillespie feel. And Kate Patterson is one of the better singers you'll hear anywhere."

About half of the 100 or so people who attend each show come from the local area. The other half comes from as far away as Port Huron, Rochester, Dearborn and Taylor.

"I think it says a lot when we get people who are willing to drive 40 minutes across town," Ruffner said.

Information and tickets for the Jazz Forum concerts are available by calling (313) 961-1711. All shows begin at 8 p.m.

Performers for the spring series of the Jazz Forum concerts at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church include clockwise, from top, Los Gatos (playing with Rayse Biggs, not pictured) on April 2, Kate Patterson on May 7 and Charlie Gabriel and Friends on March 5.



It's a big, fat wedding show at Greek Assumption center

Brides, grooms, their cousins and friends are cordially invited to "Wedding Show 2003" on Thursday, Feb. 27, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Greek Assumption Cultural Center and Marchiori Catering in St. Clair Shores.

One of metro-Detroit's largest wedding shows each year, it will feature more than 60 vendors and raffles of fabulous gifts and prizes including a honeymoon trip to Jamaica.

"It is ironic and timely that our wedding show is being held at the Greek Assumption Cultural Center this year," says event coordinator Barbara Yazbeck

Vethacke. "Just like the breakaway movie hit, 'My Big Fat Greek Wedding,' our show appeals to everyone of any background who is planning a wedding or has gone through the wedding experience. So brides bring your mom — and all your cousins — and have a chance to win great prizes and complete your wedding plans and shopping among 60-plus wedding-related vendors."

The show will have local and national vendors including:

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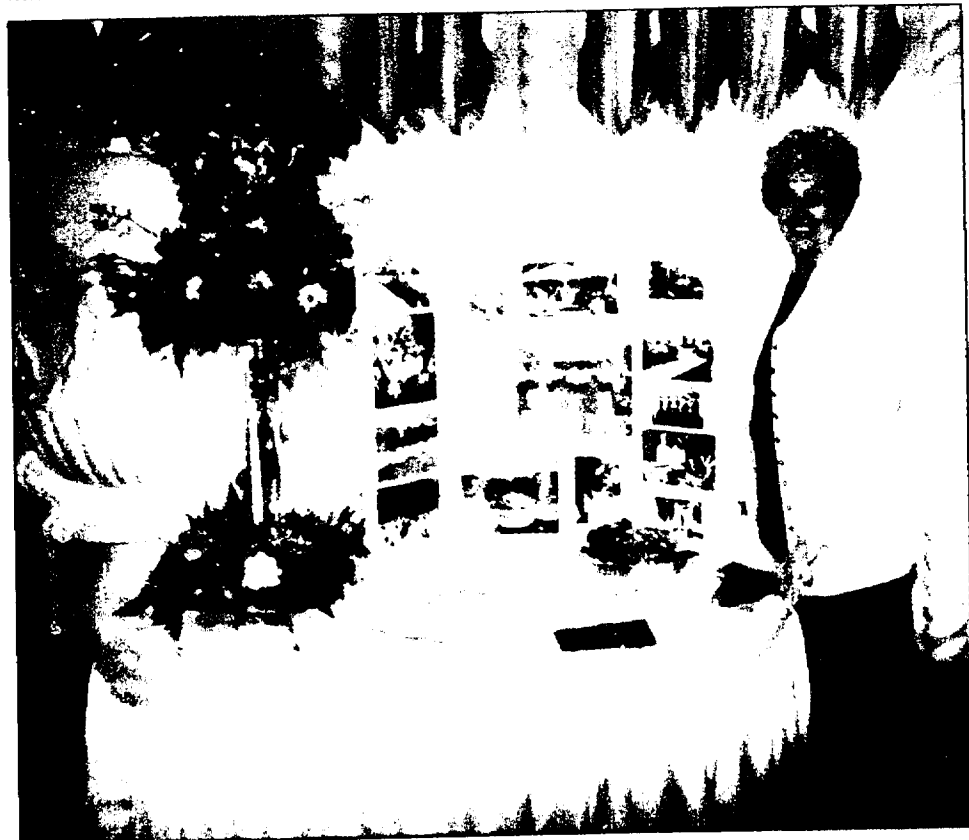
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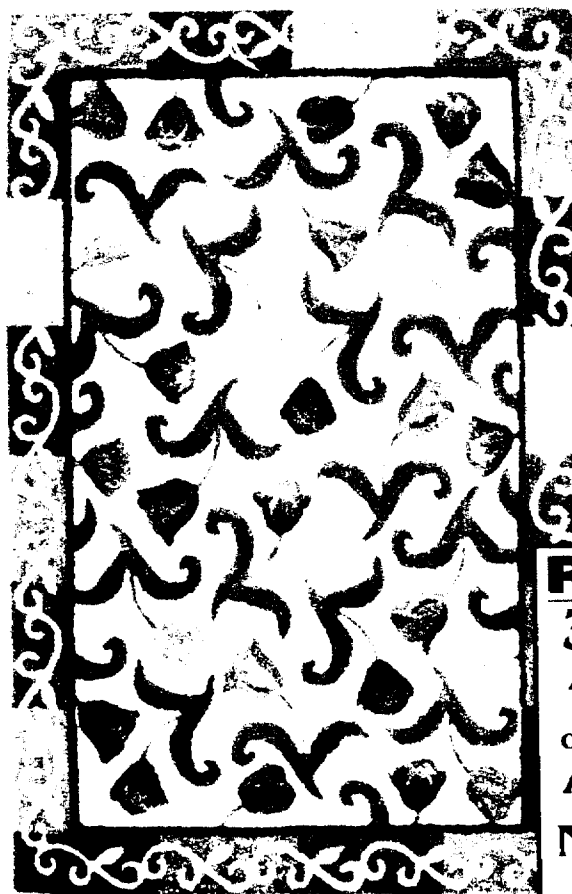
"We'll also have vendors offering massages and dermatologists talking about skin care," adds Vethacke.

For more information or to purchase tickets call (313) 882-6900, extension 3. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold at the door and at the Grosse Pointe News and The St. Clair Shores Connection offices, 96 Kercheval, "on the Hill," in Grosse Pointe Farms.



Rena Cherpes, of the Greek Assumption Cultural Center and Marchiori Catering in St. Clair Shores, invites brides-to-be and all "the family" to a big, fat wedding show, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe News and The St. Clair Shores Connection Newspaper, on Thursday, Feb. 27, from 5 to 9 p.m. We'll supply the Windex.

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Engagements

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Sean Stevenson and Jennifer Ryan

Ryan-Stevenson

Debra and Frank Penzato of Novi and John and Michelle Ryan of Trenton have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ryan, to Sean Stevenson, son of Kathleen Stevenson of Grosse Pointe Woods and Michael Stevenson of Grosse Pointe Farms. An April wedding is planned.

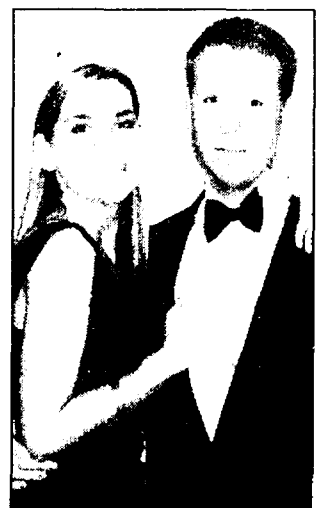
She is a teacher in the Novi school system. Stevenson earned a

Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing from Michigan State University.

He is a communications planner with J. Walter Thompson advertising agency.

Adams-Van Osdol

Mrs. Dennis Adams of Grosse Pointe Farms has announced the engagement of her daughter, Caroline Adams, to David Van Osdol, son of the late Rosemary Van Osdol and the late Peter Van



Caroline Adams and David Van Osdol

Osdol. Adams is also the daughter of the late Dr. Dennis Adams. A September wedding is planned.

Adams earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in design from Columbia College. She is the manager of women's ready-to-wear at Prada in Chicago.

Van Osdol earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wayne State University. He is a real estate investor.

Barney-Grosfield

Deb Barney of Petoskey and Steve Barney and



Richard Grosfield and Mary Ann Barney

Gretchen Olsen Barney have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann Barney, to Richard Grosfield, son of Marybeth and Dick Grosfield of Grosse Pointe Woods. A September wedding is planned.

Barney earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing and a Bachelor of Science degree in merchandising management from Michigan State University. She works in pharmaceutical sales.

Grosfield earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in finance from Michigan State University. He is a consultant.

Thoman-Leins

Karen Bernard of Key West, Fla., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Tracy Lynn Thoman, to William Daniel Leins, son of William and Margaret Leins of the City of Grosse Pointe. An April wedding is planned.

Thoman attended the University of Dayton, where she majored in communications/marketing. She is a medical equipment representative with Team



Tracy Lynn Thoman and William Daniel Leins

Surgical in Los Angeles, Calif.

Leins attended Miami University, where he majored in economics. He is West Coast sales manager with Certified Laboratories.

Whitehead-Lacy

Carol and James F. Whitehead III of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Courtney Whitehead, to Thomas Matthew Lacy, son of Natalie and Edward

Surovell of Ann Arbor and Marilyn and Thomas Lacy of Harbor Springs. A May wedding is planned.

Whitehead earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in French and communications from the University of Michigan. She is associate director of development for the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

Lacy earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Russian language and psychology from Beloit College. He is working on a master's degree at the University of Michigan School of Social Work.



Thomas Matthew Lacy and Elizabeth Courtney Whitehead

Pointe medical team heals a Honduran child



Mary Ann Uznis helps 3-year-old Jeffrey Ovanda walk up stairs with his artificial legs.

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

When a team works together, it can transform lives and create miracles.

A nonprofit organization called Healing the Children has assembled such a group to help a 3-year-old Honduran child named Jeffrey Ovanda be able to walk.

Ovanda was born with legs that had no shin bone, and his feet were severely turned inward. He crawled around, unable to stand up or put one foot in front of another to move around.

Coming from a poor family in a country with limited medical technology, Ovanda faced a life of dealing with an incapacitating and painful disability.

Fortunately, the Michigan Ohio chapter of Healing the Children stepped in.

The nonprofit coordinated an American host family, Bob and Marge Padalino, a surgeon, Dr. Chris Lee, a physical therapist, Mary Ann Uznis, and a prosthetist, Eric Burzynski, to enable Ovanda to stand up, put one foot in front of another and walk. They offered their services free of charge.

Ovanda came to the states from Honduras last Oct. 7. He lived with his host family, the Padalinos, for about a month and got acclimated to our country.

Ovanda liked playing with toys during this time, especially trucks. When one of the Padalinos' children, Mary, saw him playing with the trucks, she told him they were going to provide him with wheels just as the trucks have. He could move around just as they did, she told him.

On Nov. 11, Dr. Chris Lee performed a surgical tech-

nique called knee disarticulation in which the clubbed feet were amputated, allowing the remaining thighs to be fitted for prostheses — the medical name for artificial legs.

"I'm just sort of the channel to get the technology to the kid," said Lee, adding that without the surgery people in Ovanda's condition would encounter a life of potential destitution. "They'd be unable to walk. They would be beggars that would sit on the street."

After healing from surgery, Burzynski fitted Ovanda with the artificial legs. It took him 4 to 6 weeks to build them.

Following the creation of the legs, Ovanda began physical therapy on Jan. 24 with Uznis, which he does three days a week for an hour. He spent a few days using a walker and crutches but then was able to balance himself enough to be able to walk.

He works on exercises like walking up stairs, walking on a pillow to practice balance, and stepping on round balls.

At home with his host family, he practices strength building exercises, namely standing on one leg and reaching down to the ground to pick something up.

Uznis said Ovanda was apprehensive at first about anything new he encountered.

"He used to cry every time he came to therapy," she said. "Now he comes here, and it's a fun happy place."

The team that has helped Ovanda is overjoyed with his tremendous progress.

"He's really doing well," Marge Padalino said. "He's very excited about having those legs."

Burzynski didn't think he would be able to walk as quickly as he did.

"I'm thrilled to see him walk," he said. "It's awesome."

Uznis said the legs will spare him the stigma of not



Marge Padalino sits with a smiling Ovanda at the end of a physical therapy session. "He's very excited about having those legs," she said.

being able to stand up or move around. "People will be able to interact with him in a normal way," she said.

Ovanda plans to stay in Michigan for another month, and then he will return to his family in Honduras. Padalino said he will probably come back to Michigan once a year, depending on how fast he grows, to get his legs refitted.

Healing the Children started in 1974.

A young couple had adopted a Korean child, and they suffered the tragedy of her death. Had she been treated when she was younger, she might have lived.

When the mother of this

Korean child heard about a child in Guatemala who needed surgery, she planned for the child to come to the United States and get medical attention.

Healing the Children was born.

Today, the organization has 15 chapters in 23 states. The Michigan Ohio chapter started in 1981 and has a network of 35 hospitals and more than 300 doctors. They provide medical care for approximately 60 children a year.

"The genius of Healing the Children is that it offers real help, direct help, personal help," the group's Web site says. "It heals the children. It offers them hope."

3rd annual Celtic Concert on March 6

The music of Ireland comes to St. Clair Shores from Blackthorn, a folk ensemble from southeast Michigan and St. Patrick's Day tradition on WJR.

The four performers will appear during the third annual Celtic Concert Celebration, beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6, in the Lake Shore High School auditorium.

A popular music-filled evening, the St. Clair Shores Irish Step dancers and the St. Clair Shores Community

Choir will also be performing that evening. There will be Celtic vendors and the Conga Tree Coffee Shop will provide refreshments. Reservations are required because the seating is limited. Adult and senior tickets cost \$15 and for children less than 16 years of age, the cost is \$8. This is sponsored by the St. Clair Shores Adult and Community Education (SCSACE).

Offered through the SCSACE is a preconcert dinner student scholarship

fund-raiser.

Between 4 and 6:30 p.m. March 6, the Pat O'Brien's Tavern at the corner of Jefferson and 10 Mile will serve a special Irish dinner. A menu of corned beef and cabbage, Irish potatoes, bread and beverage will be offered to adults and seniors for \$9.95 and for children less than 12 years of age, the price is \$4.50.

For reservations to either or both the Celtic events, call SCSACE at (586) 285-8880.

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St. Paul School celebrates with Mardi Gras gala

St. Paul Catholic School will hold its annual fundraising auction on Friday, Feb. 28, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. More than 200 items from local merchants and friends of the school will be auctioned.

This year's party, "Books and B's and B's," will feature a Mardi Gras theme.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. and offers a silent auction and a live auction conducted by **Joseph DuMouchelle** of Joseph DuMouchelle International Auctioneers, Appraisers & Graduate Gemologists.

A strolling buffet of hearty hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available during the evening. Tickets are \$60 per person and include one complimentary beverage.

The annual event raises funds for enhancing student programs and the school facility. In past years, proceeds from the auction have paid for Internet access in classrooms, electrical upgrades for technology, and playground renovations.

"The money raised from this year's auction will be used to continue the implementation of the school's technology plan, as well as to replace aging textbooks," said **Kathy Olson**, auction chairman.

Items in this year's auction include a week-long vacation in Playa del Carmen, Mexico; an ebony finish baby grand piano; a private wine tasting dinner for 10; a paddle tennis party for 32; signed Red Wings jerseys; and a signed game-used stick. Also offered: an Akoya pearl necklace, a lobster party for 15, a private salon party, and several beautiful oil paintings.

For ticket information, contact St. Paul Catholic School at (313) 885-3430 or visit the Web site at www.stpaulonthelake.org.

Blues: The sixth annual Red Heart Blues . . . and all that Jazz! was a swinging success on Feb. 8 at the new Ford Motor Company Conference and Event Center in Dearborn.

The evening featured dinner and dancing to the sounds and soul of jazz, as well as a live and silent auction and awards presentation. Some 500 guests attended, and more than \$200,000 was raised to benefit research at the Henry Ford Heart & Vascular Institute for the treatment and prevention of cardiovascular diseases, with an emphasis on molecular gene therapy.

WXYZ-TV anchor **Diana Lewis** was emcee. The event's honorary chair was **Allan Gilmour** of Birmingham. Gilmour is chief financial officer of Ford Motor Co.

Event co-chairs were **Gloria and Fred Clark** of Grosse Pointe Shores; **Bonnie Jobe** of Bloomfield Hills; and **Kimberly and Ken Whipple** of Bloomfield Hills.

Three awards were presented in the name of **Dr. Conrad R. Lam**, a cardiac surgeon who worked for Henry Ford Hospital for more than 50 years. In 1956, Lam performed the first bypass surgery in Michigan using a heart-lung machine. This year's award recipients were:

- **Lynn and Paul Alandt** of Grosse Pointe Shores - Outstanding Philanthropists. Their gift of \$5 million will enable the Henry Ford Heart & Vascular Institute to expand its electrophysiology program at Henry Ford Hospital. Plans are being developed for both facility and equipment enhancement, allowing more patients to receive life-saving treatments through state-of-the-art technology and research.
- **Dr. Claudio D. Schuger** of Birmingham -



St. Paul School's auction steering committee is shown, from left: **Kathy Olson**, general chairman; **Katy Brennan**, **Jack Reid**, **Monica Boynton**, **Anne Graves**, **Lucy Mooney**, **Laura Sullivan**, **Ellen Doyle**, **David Calcaterra** and **Anne McBrien**.

Not shown: committee members **Susan Reid**, **Josephine Pompeo**, **Anne Blake**, **Jenny Train**, **Patty Berg**, **Victor and Kerry Peltola**, **Jenny Boettcher**, **Sharon Kuchta** and **Michael McBrien**.



Red Heart Blues . . . and all that Jazz! event co-chairmen were **Gloria Clark** of Grosse Pointe Shores and **Judie Sherman** of Bloomfield Hills. **Sherman** received the **Phebe Goldstein Award** for her tireless determination to make Red Heart Blues a success.



Grosse Pointe Shores residents **Paul and Lynn Alandt** are shown with **Dr. Douglas Weaver**, **Henry Ford Heart & Vascular Institute Co-Director**. The **Alandts** were presented with the **Outstanding Philanthropists award** at a recent fundraiser for the institute.

Outstanding Physician. Schuger, director of Electrophysiology and Arrhythmia Service for the Henry Ford Heart & Vascular Institute, is being honored for his outstanding work in the treatment of heart arrhythmias and research into treatments for heart failure.

• **Guidant Corporation** Innovation Award. Guidant Corporation is being honored as the first recipient of the Innovation Award for its leadership in both product therapies and clinical studies in the area of cardiovascular disease. Guidant is a world leader in device-based

therapy for cardiac and vascular diseases. The company researches, develops, manufactures and markets

world-class implantable devices including pacemakers, defibrillators and cardiac resynchronization therapy-defibrillators for heart failure.

— *Margie Reins Smith*

American Girl: The Junior League of Detroit Inc. will host the American Girl Fashion Show on Saturday, March 8, at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m., and Sunday, March 9, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Activities Center, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, (313) 884-4222.

This fun, engaging program showcases the styles of girls yesterday and today with historical and contemporary fashions from American Girl, as well as adorable Bitty Baby and Angelina Ballerina outfits for younger girls. Attendees will also get a sneak peek at Kaya, the first American Girl and the newest historical character to The American Girls Collection.

Proceeds from the show will benefit children's health and welfare causes within the metropolitan Detroit area, including the Junior League of Detroit's current signature project, rehabilitation of the John Monteith Regional Branch of the Detroit Public Library.

The American Girl Fashion Show provides an entertaining and educational look at how generations of American girls have used clothing to express their own unique style and personality. Local models will present the fashions, while lively commentary and music will help create a

memorable experience for girls, their dolls, and special guests.

Attendees will see historical fashions — from day-wear and sleepwear to special-occasion clothing — just like the popular American Girls characters Felicity, Josefina, Kirsten, Addy, Samantha, Kit and Molly might have worn. Other featured fashions include American Girl's line of hip, casual wear, along with its high-tech and lifestyle products, which reflect the many interests of today's contemporary girls. And, finally, for the littlest American Girl fans, models will showcase sweet dress-like-your-doll outfits from Bitty Baby and frilly, feminine clothing from Angelina Ballerina.

The event program includes refreshments, party favors and door prizes, along with special souvenirs and chances to win dolls and accessories from the various American Girl brands. The fashion show is not recommended for girls under 5.

The cost per person is \$30, which includes the fashion show, refreshments, party favors, and a tax-deductible contribution. For more information call the Junior League of Detroit Inc. office at (313) 881-0040. The office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

American Girl is the core brand of Pleasant Co., founded in 1986 by Pleasant

T. Rowland and acquired by Mattel Inc. in 1998. The fashion show incorporates American Girl's historical and contemporary clothing and lifestyle products for girls ages 7 to 12, plus outfits for younger girls from its Bitty Baby and Angelina Ballerina lines. Since American Girl Special Events were introduced in 1992, Pleasant Co. has partnered with hundreds of non-profit organizations like the Junior League of Detroit Inc. to raise more than \$12 million for children's causes throughout the United States. Blending learning with entertainment, American Girl Special Events offer a unique, memorable experience for girls and their families and friends.

The Junior League of Detroit Inc. is dedicated to elevating the lives of children. We seek opportunities to strengthen and enhance services deemed essential and fundamental to each child's well-being. With support from our financial resources and trained volunteers, we will initiate and participate in collaborative partnerships that help families and their communities raise healthy children to become productive adults.

Since its founding in 1914, The Junior League of Detroit Inc. has continued its commitment to address a wide variety of needs within the metropolitan Detroit area.

Babies

Brian Robb Carter

Ben and Jen Carter of Weston, Fla., are the parents of a son, **Brian Robb Carter**, born Dec. 2, 2002. Maternal grandparents are **Roy and Pat Tipton**, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe. Paternal grandparents are **John and Ginnie Carter** of the City of Grosse Pointe. Great-grandmother is **Virginia Vielhouwer** of Portage.

Carys Anna Rees-Baker

Margaret Rees and **Randal Baker** of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a daughter, **Carys Anna Rees-Baker**, born Jan. 27, 2003. Maternal grandparents are **Sharon G. Rees** of Royal Oak and the late **Carlyle W. Rees**. Paternal grandparents are **Ralph and Marlene Baker** of Grayling.

Jack Harrison Webb

Scott and Jennifer Webb of Beverly Hills are the parents of a son, **Jack Harrison Webb**, born Jan. 19, 2003. Maternal grandparents are **Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Noorman** of Byron Center. Paternal grandparents are **Pamela Webb** of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late **Robert Webb**. Paternal great-grandmother is **Catherine Smith** of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Connor Allen Lightbody

Andrew and Kathleen Lightbody of Grosse Pointe Park are the parents of a son, **Connor Allen Lightbody**, born Jan. 9, 2003. Maternal grandparents are **Allen and Rose Pecar** of Mancelona. Paternal grandparents are **Laurie Townsend** of Grosse Pointe Park and **Jim and Val Lightbody** of St. Clair Shores.

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Head off pain of heartburn

By Keith Hoffmann, M.D.

The term "heartburn" accurately describes an unpleasant burning sensation in the chest that occurs after eating. As many as one in 10 adults experiences it, and half of all pregnant women have it.

The main symptoms are a burning feeling and pain just behind the sternum. The discomfort usually goes away after a few minutes or several hours. It may worsen if you lie down or bend over, and you may also have a burning sensation or sour taste at the back of the throat.

Symptoms of heart attack and heartburn are similar, but a heart attack feels more like pressure, heaviness or squeezing in the chest and pain that extends beyond the chest to the shoulder, arm, back or jaw. If you suspect you are having a heart attack, seek medical attention immediately. Call 9-1-1 or head to the nearest hospital emergency department.



Dr. Keith Hoffmann

What causes the burn?

The pain of heartburn is caused by a backflow of stomach acid into the esophagus. Normally the acid stays where it belongs — in the stomach to aid in digestion. A valve located between the lower end of the esophagus and the stomach, called the lower esophageal sphincter, or LES, controls the flow of food into the stomach, then closes to keep stomach contents where they belong. Heartburn occurs when the LES malfunctions, allowing stomach acid to seep back up into the esophagus.

Several factors can cause the normally tight seal formed by the LES to loosen. The two most frequent are too much food in the stomach or too much pressure on the LES.

Pregnant women often experience heartburn because of extra pressure put on the stomach and increased production of the hormone progesterone. This is the hormone which relaxes the muscles, important for easing childbirth. However, it can also relax the LES.

Over-the-counter options

Occasional heartburn isn't dangerous and can be treated with over-the-counter antacids like Maalox or Mylanta. They neutralize the acid and can provide quick relief. Another option is H2-receptor blockers, such as Pepcid AC and Tagamet. Instead of neutralizing the acid, these reduce the production of it. They take at least 30 minutes to work, so the best plan of action is to take the medication before eating a meal that is likely to cause heartburn.

GERD

Frequent and persistent heartburn is known as gastroesophageal reflux disease, sometimes called acid reflux disease or GERD. People with GERD have heartburn daily, and it results in repeated burning of the esophagus by stomach acid. This can lead to scarring and strictures and is linked with cancer. Treatment for GERD usually begins with H2-receptor blockers, which are available in prescription strength from a physician. If the condition continues, surgery is an option.

Prevention

The best way to treat heartburn is to make lifestyle changes to prevent it. The following steps may reduce or completely eliminate the problem:

- Maintain a healthy weight. Being overweight puts pressure on the abdomen and is one of the main reasons the LES malfunctions. By losing weight, you'll reduce that pressure.
- Wear loose clothing. Tight clothing, especially around the waist, also puts pressure on the abdomen and causes the LES to malfunction.
- Eat small meals more often. Big meals and continual overeating aggravate heartburn and lead to weight gain.
- Identify and eliminate heartburn triggers. These include fatty, fried or spicy foods, alcohol, chocolate, peppermint, garlic, onion, caffeine and nicotine.
- Don't lie down after eating. Let gravity be your aid.
- Raise the head of your bed. An elevation of 6 to 9 inches can be attained by inserting a wedge between the mattress and box spring. These are available at drugstores and medical supply stores. Using pillows to raise your head does not have the same effect.
- Don't smoke. Smoking increases stomach acid.

Heartburn is something many people experience at least once during their lives, but living with it on a daily basis is cause for concern. If you have heartburn and can't control it with over-the-counter remedies or lifestyle changes, see your physician.

Dr. Hoffmann is a Bon Secours Cottage family practitioner. He sees patients at East Area Family Physicians, located on Little Mack in Roseville. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Handling winter illnesses

Are you experiencing coughing, runny nose and generally feeling under the weather in this season's weather? What might you have?

If one's common cold has turned into a persistent cough with fever, you might be experiencing a lower respiratory tract infection, says Aaron Ellis, family practice physician on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

"If the symptoms are progressively worsening and there's an increasing problem with fever or pain, any signs of respiratory distress or difficulty with breathing, then that individual should be seen by a physician, or at least be in touch with his or her physician. People who have underlying chronic illnesses should be evaluated sooner. Those who are very young or very old should err on the side of touching base with their doctor before treating something too long with home remedies and over-the-counter remedies," he said.

Why does it seem more likely to come down with a respiratory illness at this time of year?

Dr. Kenneth Bollin, chief of family practice at St. John said, "The viruses that tend to flourish and cause respiratory tract infections are most prevalent this time of year. Secondly, even though the cold weather doesn't cause any viruses, the fact

that it makes us stay inside and have a lot more close contact with each other might help spread them. We don't circulate the good outside air inside.

"Also, if you're outside and have some congestion and irritation of your bronchial tubes from the cold weather, you are going to be a little more susceptible to having an upper respiratory virus."

He said the key to helping avoid the germs is to use the principles of good hand washing when adults and children are all together in one fixed environment.

"There are some signs that would increase the likelihood of a sore throat being a strep throat. Those would include fever and swollen glands. Recent exposure to strep throat would certainly be another key factor," he added.

Ellis noted that taking a throat culture is still the most reliable method for diagnosing strep throat.

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) has noted a recent increase in reports of influenza-like illness, particularly in southeast Michigan. The increase is consistent with the usual peak of influenza at this time of year.

The MDCH reminds parents to be alert for signs of severe illness, including high fever, altered mental status, unusual neck soreness or stiffness, bleeding

problems, breathing difficulty and severe sudden and persistent headaches. If children develop such illness, they should be taken in for immediate medical evaluation.

In general, in less severe cases of the flu, bed rest and plenty of fluids can help.

"If you're having congestion and nasal discharge, then you're going to be more likely to use the over-the-counter decongestants and antihistamine medications. If there is an associated cough, you may want to consider using some cough medicine. You should be thinking in terms of the acetaminophen preparations available if you're experiencing the typical pain, aching or fever associated with the flu," Ellis said.

Children and adults who have the flu, because of the potential for developing Reye's Syndrome, should avoid aspirin.

"Most simple virus infections, whether respiratory or gastrointestinal, will run their course in three, four or five days, and usually create just some mild, uncomfortable symptoms. But, if you have a prolonged fever, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, extended cough and are unable to take liquids or throw up, then those things would indicate a little bit more serious illness that might warrant being looked into," Bollin said.



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High steppers are from left Jackie Adamaszek, Mildred Houda and Tula Economou

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Carol J. Quinn, DDS

Exercise

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Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m., these classes provide upper-body exercises, leg extensions and arm movements all while sitting in an orthopedic-correct chair. Students are also instructed in the use of hand-held free weights that are used with some of the exercises.

Dolly Poeschel, a student who suffers with an arthritis condition, said, "I can't walk well because of my arthritis, but this class has really helped me. My blood pressure is better and my cholesterol is down. It's even helped my attitude."

During the cardiovascular

portion of this class, when the students vigorously walk around the gym in step to recorded music, two instructors monitor each student's pace. If a student wants to take a breather, he or she rests on the sidelines and takes a drink of water.

"Don't forget the instructors," said student Nina Secondino. "They are so helpful with all of us. They really make us feel comfortable with the exercises. They're wonderful."

Two St. Clair Shores residents and former students of the Stretch & Stroll chair aerobics classes are now instructors — Estelle Loleas since 1993 and Eleanor Haezebrouck has taught for

12 years.

"You know, this program is just perfect for seniors," Haezebrouck said. "You can't beat it for overall body building — it tones the entire body, from head to toe. And it also keeps the mind active — meeting other people, talking with them, staying informed — and the center has a lot of activities they (students) can get involved in."

A male member of the class, who suffered a stroke and is confined to a wheelchair, has improved remarkably since he started with Stretch & Stroll. At first his wife had to help him lift his arms, but now he is able to use the hand-held weights to help increase strength in his upper body and arms.

Student Ann Rabaut said,

"This is a fine program. I try not to miss one class. There are some days when I don't want to come, but I'm faithful. It's a great time for people who want to meet other people and get or stay in shape while they're doing it."

This comment from Jennie Harrell, a Stretch & Stroll attendee, is a testimonial of the benefits of the program: "In May 2001, I was scheduled to have hip surgery, and on the advice of my doctor, I signed up for Stretch & Stroll classes. I was then using a cane and had some pain."

In August, Harrell suffered a bout with pneumonia and was in intensive care for five days — she recovered and three weeks later resumed her exercise classes.

"As each week passed," she continued, "I felt better and was making excellent progress. In November, I was able to walk without using my cane, and my hip surgery has been postponed indefinitely. Recently, my doctor informed me that my lungs have improved, and he attributes this to the exercise program. I feel the Stretch & Stroll classes have been of great benefit to me, and I thank the instructors for all their help."

For more information and fees for the Kalosomatics® Moderation and Stretch & Stroll exercise classes, call Assumption Cultural Center at (586) 779-6111.

Your Skin

by Lisa Manz-Dulac, MD



Teenagers experiencing inflammatory or persistent acne often need more than the treatments used by patients with mild acne. Most likely, they will need a treatment program that includes oral and/or topical antibiotics, medicated cleansers and other procedures in order to effectively treat more involved cystic acne.

Common antibiotics prescribed for acne include tetracycline, doxycycline and minocycline. Because these antibiotics are photosensitizing, patients on these medications must commit to take steps to

use sun precaution measures, such as wearing sun screens.

Other treatments that may be considered include intralesional injections to quickly reduce inflamed cysts (especially important a day to two before an important event), as well as cryotherapy, incision and drainage of cysts and/or glycolic peels to help control persistent acne.

To learn more about cystic acne and its treatment, contact your dermatologist, or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates.

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Dr. Lezotte



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Twelve steps apply to nicotine addiction, too

"I started to wake up in the middle of the night to have a cigarette," recalled Barry, a recovering alcoholic. "I could almost set my clock by it. About 2:30 every morning I'd need to wake up and have a cigarette before I'd go back to sleep. That scared me."

This was reason enough to get help for quitting smoking. For Barry, there were two more: His father died of lung cancer, and his brother had a heart attack. Both were heavy smokers.

Despite working successfully with alcoholism, Barry collided with nicotine addic-

tion. Getting rid of that duality can be tough for recovering people — partly because nicotine use has been so widely accepted. That's true even in Twelve Step groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous. Case in point: Bill W., cofounder of AA, was a smoker who died of emphysema.

The same Twelve Step principles that help people abstain from alcohol and other drugs can help them abstain from nicotine as well.

Admit powerlessness. People addicted to nicotine show behaviors like those of

other addicts: They continue to use the drug despite adverse consequences, and they fail to quit through sheer willpower.

Jeanne E., author of "Twelve Steps for Tobacco Users," a Hazelden pamphlet, recommends that smokers face their failure to manage nicotine use by asking key questions: How many times have I actually tried to quit or reduce smoking and failed? Have I ever avoided nonsmoking people or situations where I couldn't smoke? Have I avoided physical activities because I knew I'd get

winded? Have I gone out at odd hours to buy tobacco?

Ask for help. Smokers use an array of tactics to quit on their own, such as imposing an arbitrary limit on the number of cigarettes they smoke per day, buying low-tar products or brands they don't like, and tapering down to meet a projected quitting date.

People who successfully use the Twelve Steps admit that such tactics don't make it. The alternative is opening up to a source of help outside ourselves. The Steps refer to this as a Higher Power, and this term is open to whatever interpretation works for the individual.

For some smokers, a Higher Power is God as conceived in their spiritual tradition. For others, the term refers to family members, friends, a smoking cessation program or a Nicotine Anonymous group.

Put personal relationships on a new basis. The Twelve Steps call upon

recovering people to take inventory — that is, to see the web of consequences that smoking creates in their lives. To perform this inventory, Jeanne E. recommends asking some further questions: How does smoking affect me, including my health, energy, finances and self-image? How does my smoking affect others? What specific incidents trigger my need to smoke? And what character defects, such as impatience, fuel my need to light up?

When smokers admit the answers to themselves, others and a Higher Power, they gain a powerful inducement to quit nicotine use. They can follow up by making appropriate amends to people they've harmed through their nicotine addiction.

Quit one day at a time. Central to the Twelve Step message is the slogan: "One day at a time." Breaking recovery into 24-hour segments makes quitting manageable.

Nicotine Anonymous, a Twelve Step support group for smokers, offers meetings and literature for people seeking to quit and those in recovery. To learn about an NA meeting closest to you or for more information, contact NA World Services at (415) 750-0328 or www.nicotine-anonymous.org. For information on "Twelve Steps for Tobacco Users," call Hazelden Publishing and Educational Services at (800) 328-9000.

This health column offers information needed to help prevent substance abuse problems and address such problems. It is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers a wide range of information and treatment services on addiction. For more resources, call Hazelden at (800) 257-7800 or check its Web site at www.hazelden.org. Direct your inquiries to mduda@hazelden.org.

To your good health

Options for varicose veins

By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

Q. I have varicose veins really bad. They hurt a lot. Do you think I should have surgery? If so, whom do I see? My doctor says insurance won't pay and any surgeon is OK.

A. Varicose veins are dilated, stretched-out-of-shape leg veins. If we walked on all fours, we wouldn't have them. The pull of gravity on vein blood when we walk upright is great. Blood pools in leg veins and stretches them.

To overcome this, veins have valves. Once blood begins its journey back to the heart, leg vein valves close and thereby overcome gravity's pull. People with varicose veins have incompetent leg valves. And the final ingredient in the varicose vein recipe is a family history of such veins.

Have you tried self-help measures? Elevate your legs when sitting and lying down so blood can drain out of them. When standing, move around. If you cannot move, contract your leg muscles. The squeeze of leg muscles on veins pushes blood upward toward the heart. If you are carrying too much weight, you must reduce. Wear compression hose — elasticized hose whose pressure stops blood from pooling in the legs. Don't wear anything that constricts the legs, such as garters.

You are the one to answer the question about surgery. If the veins are giving you grief, that is an indication for surgery. General surgeons and vascular surgeons perform the operation. Most insurance covers the cost if the operation is done for reasons of health. Check first with your insurance company.

Newer techniques give you many choices. Doctors can inject solutions into the veins that irritate them and cause them to scar and shrink. A flexible tube equipped with a laser emits heat that also scars and shrinks the veins. Surgeons can make small incisions in the legs and remove the veins in sections — something that can often be done on an outpatient basis.

The varicose vein story is covered in the newly written pamphlet on that subject. Readers can order a copy by writing Dr. Donohue at the address printed at the end of this column. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 and the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Q. I constantly clench my teeth. I have to wear a mouth guard at night. Lately my jaw has been clicking when I chew. Do you have any solutions?

A. Teeth clenching is bruxism. The constant contraction of jaw and face muscles causes constant rubbing of upper and lower teeth against each other. Bruxism also leads to jaw joint problems — the clicking you describe.

You need to see a dentist. In the meantime, try this:

Sit in a comfortable chair and try to relax. Lightly close the lips. Let the jaw drop a bit but maintain the lightly closed lips. Repeat the routine over and over. It might bring relaxation to the jaw muscles. Go to the dentist whether this ritual works or not.

Q. My husband died at age 62. He had been treated for emphysema for a number of years. An autopsy showed that he did not have emphysema but pulmonary fibrosis. Would he have lived longer if this condition had been discovered and treated?

A. Pulmonary fibrosis is a strange illness whose cause is not known. It usually surfaces between the ages of 50 and 70. Its hallmark symptom is struggling to get enough air. Breathing is labored. A dry cough is another prominent symptom.

It behaves enough like emphysema that it is often mistaken as that more-common lung problem.

Scar tissue ("fibrosis") fills the lungs. Oxygen cannot pass through the barrier of scar tissue to reach the blood. That is why patients are breathless at all times. The treatment of pulmonary fibrosis is as vexing as not knowing why it occurs. Cortisone drugs are often prescribed, but they have far less than 100 percent effectiveness.

Colechicine, a gout medicine, has helped a few patients. New treatments that hold promise are under evaluation.

I understand how upsetting it is to learn your husband had a condition for

which he was not treated. I doubt that if the diagnosis had been made during his life, it would have given him any more years of living.

Lung transplantation, when the situation lends itself to transplantation, is the ultimate therapy.

Pulmonary fibrosis is rare. Pulmonary emphysema is common.

For a written report on emphysema and chronic bronchitis, write Dr. Donohue at the address printed at the end of this column. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 and the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Q. My mother, nearing 80, cannot understand the necessity of bathing regularly. She is restricted in what she can do because of a bad heart. I have offered to have a caregiver come over every couple of days to bathe her in the shower or tub. She would comply if I could make a case for the relationship between cleanliness and good health. Can you help?

A. I don't know of information that proves how long a person can go without bathing before a skin infection takes hold. Damp, unwashed skin creases, such as those under the arms and in the groin, provide breeding grounds for both fungi and bacteria if personal hygiene goes to pot. Your mother does not need the twice-daily showers that teenagers are apt to take, but she should have a bath or shower once a week.

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Bon Secours Cottage oncology center joins elite, national research group

The Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology at Cottage Hospital has been approved, through an association with Wayne State University, as a joint member of the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group (RTOG).

The status provides patients at the Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology access to designated priority National Cancer Institute and investigational clinical trials for a variety of cancer sites.

Over the last 25 years, the RTOG has played a key role in developing clinical trials

investigating the use of radiation therapy alone or in combination with other cancer therapies.

Dr. Jadranka Dragovic, medical director for the Center, said, "We are pleased to join this elite group and for the opportunity to offer our patients access to the latest cancer research."

The RTOG is a multi-institutional, national clinical cooperative group funded by the National Cancer Institute and headquartered in the Philadelphia office of the American College of Radiology. It has more than 30 years of experience in

conducting clinical trials and is comprised of 250 major research institutions nationally and in Canada. The group currently has more than 40 active studies that involve radiation therapy alone or in conjunction with surgery and/or chemotherapeutic drugs. In addition to treatment research, the RTOG is committed to researching quality-of-life outcomes for cancer patients.

The Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology, part of Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, opened in May 2001.

BSC presents lecture about healing touch

Therapeutic and healing touch are rapidly gaining wide acceptance as complementary modes of facilitating the healing process in conjunction with medical techniques. Therapeutic and healing touch practitioners function from an energy perspective rather than only a physical one, realigning the patient's energy flow and reactivating the mind/body/spirit connection to eliminate blockages to self-healing.

These procedures have been documented and shown to speed healing of surgical wounds and burns, improve

circulation and breathing following surgery, and enhance the growth rate of premature infants.

Come and learn more about therapeutic and healing touch from Deb Kennedy, a certified healing touch practitioner from Bon Secours Cottage. The free "Mind, Body, Spirit" lecture takes place from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the first-floor conference rooms at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval (one mile south of Moross) in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"We are each born with the ability to heal with our

touch, and science has documented these results," Kennedy said. At the program, she will explain how these energy-based, noninvasive methods of healing are used with traditional medicine to promote physical, emotional, mental and spiritual health.

The lecture is free, but reservations are requested. Call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900. Free parking in the deck on Muir Road is available. Bring your ticket with you to the program for validation.

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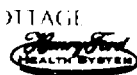
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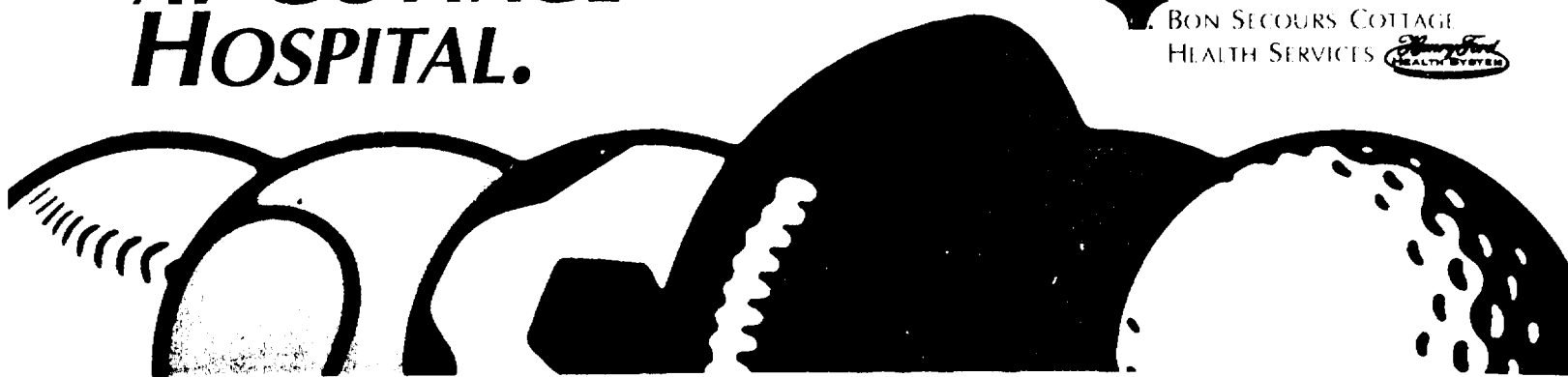
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The Pastor's Corner

Build today on things that last

By the Rev. Randy Boelter

Christ The King Lutheran Church

"Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 3:10-11).

Every so often something happens that draws us up front and center, taking us out of our comfort zone and forcing us to rethink our priorities.

Certainly this was the case after 9/11 on all levels -- individual, family, community, national and international. While all events that stop us in our tracks may not be as incomprehensible or as far-reaching as 9/11, whatever they are, they are pre-eminent to us, and have a deep effect upon us.

In our ministry, the recent death of two young men, both under the age of 20, has touched the lives and hearts of both pastors and members of our congregation alike. The loss of these young men caused parents, children, members and friends, old and young, to rethink their priorities.

Like most of our colleagues in ministry, we pastors have, on the basis of God's Word, exhorted our congregations to build their lives and their families upon the foundation of God in Christ which will stand the test of time and eternity.

While we have for years proclaimed this truth to our congregations, it has never been more relevant to us than at the present time. We live in a community that offers much for our youth: academics, sports, music, dance and the arts, all which add so much to life. While we give thanks for these blessings, it is the Lord Jesus Christ who gives life. He alone gives life by the forgiveness of our sins and in the power to face uncertainty with confidence.

By faith in His resurrection, He alone gives us hope of life that will never end!

We thank God that these sons were blessed with parents who not only provided for their earthly needs, but whose parents had the wisdom to prepare them for their eternal life.

While our grieving continues in our church family, the baptismal faith of these young men provides us with Divine comfort that they were and remain in Christ. While we grieve, we do not grieve, as those St. Paul says, "have no hope."

We take this opportunity to share what we have yet again learned these past months, and to encourage individuals and families in our community to build their lives on life in Christ. The worship and educational programs in your parish and in ours are not just opportunities to learn another subject. If we approach the Christian faith this way, we will miss the eternal blessings of God.

Worship and instruction in the faith are meant to provide opportunities for us and for our children to develop a personal relationship with our Savior, Jesus, and attain the eternal life He came to bring.

The highs and lows of life which bring us up front and center will probably come again and probably continue to take us by storm. But if we build on Christ and the lasting gifts He brings, we will be able to live with God-given hope and comfort, even when life as we know it changes dramatically.

Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Jason
David Charles Hilliard

Petz- Hilliard

Catherine Alda Petz, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Petz of Grosse Pointe Shores, married Jason David Charles Hilliard, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hilliard of Livonia, on Nov. 16, 2002, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

Monsignor Dennis

Harrity officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The bride wore a white silk satin gown that featured an embroidered bodice, capped sleeves and a cathedral-length train. Her veil was decorated with silver and white embroidery and she carried a tight bouquet of cream-colored and soft pink roses.

The matron of honor was Amy Portch of Chicago.

Bridesmaids were Mary Elizabeth Crowe of Farmington Hills; the groom's sister, Jamie Hoeh of Brighton; and Wendi Safstrom of Chicago. The junior bridesmaid was Margaret Petz of Blue Bell, Pa.

Attendants wore two-piece mocha satin floor-length dresses and the junior bridesmaid wore a bronze satin floor-length dress. They carried cream-colored roses with coffee

berry accents.

The best man was Frank Bracken of Arlington, Va.

Groomsmen were Christopher Hoch of Brighton; and the bride's brothers, David Petz of Grosse Pointe Shores and John Petz of Birmingham.

Ushers were Robert Grimaldi of Sterling Heights; and the bride's brothers, Thomas Petz Jr. of Blue Bell, Pa., and William Petz of Grosse Pointe Shores.

The mother of the bride wore a two-piece full-length chestnut taffeta skirt and a beaded knit top with a sweater. She carried a single

white rose.

The groom's mother wore a two-piece pewter crepe dress and an orchid wrist corsage.

Scripture readers were Thomas Petz Jr., Marilyn Hilliard and William Petz.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in hotel and restaurant management from Michigan State University. He is a manager with Kosch Foods Inc.

The couple honeymooned in Nassau, the Bahamas. They live in Novi.

Meetings

Camera Club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, at Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte, in Room C-11. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (313) 822-7080 or (586) 774-9471.

Women of Wayne

The Grosse Pointe chapter of Women of Wayne will present a spring luncheon and fashion show on Saturday, March 8, in the ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Registration begins at 11 a.m.; luncheon is at 11:45 a.m., followed by a fashion show by Chico's of Grosse Pointe.

Make checks for \$26 payable to Women of Wayne Grosse Pointe, and send to Santina Miller, 20202 Van Antwerp, Harper Woods, 48225, by Friday, Feb. 28.

AAUW

The Grosse Pointe chapter of the American Association of University Women will present "Queen Bees: Empowering our Daughters to Navigate School Hallway Politics," at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, in the

ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The panel presentation and interactive discussion is for parents and daughters and will address the issues of cliques, betrayal, power plays, bullying and gossip.

Panelists are Marquita Bedway, Jessica Dickson of the Harper Woods School District, Noel Hribljan of the Grosse Pointe Public School System and Patty Stumb, principal of Our Lady Star of the Sea School.

The fee is \$5 a person; \$10 per family, payable at the door.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet on Thursday, Feb. 27, at a private club in Grosse Pointe. Janice Quarnstrom, investment adviser, will present a talk on "How Does Your Money Grow? An Investment Strategy that Works."

GPWC is a women's networking and social club that meets once a month for dinner and a meeting. For reservations or more information, call Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201 or Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855.

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Space holds no attraction for this Earth-bound senior

I write this column acknowledging that when it comes to space exploration, I do not have "the right stuff."

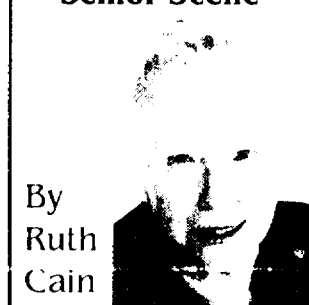
When space crafts take off, my main reaction has always been a fear of the explosions, fire and incredible thrusters that result; not the wonder that they will soon be orbiting in outer space.

And what of outer space? Who knows what terrors lurk there?

It's a hostile, unknowable place. My worst fantasy has been that something would go wrong and astronauts would orbit forever in outer space.

I wonder how much useful knowledge about our Earth can be obtained through our forays into space. Can such problems as hunger, drought, mental and physical illnesses, pollution, terrorism and war to name just a few — be alleviated by research in a place that is so radically

Senior Scene



By
Ruth
Cain

unlike our world? To me that's like sending a study group to Antarctica to solve problems we experience in tropical parts of the world.

Interesting enough, the scientific and practical pay-offs that have accrued from space travel have come primarily from unmanned vehicles and satellites.

People say we must have a space program so that China, Russia or any country cannot control outer space. The assumption apparently is that somebody has to control outer space. Now, space wars? It

seems the need to control always leads to war.

The United States and other countries with space programs have already left their imprint on outer space. It's estimated that 2,000 tons of garbage are whirling around out there. Mostly the trash is leftovers from space missions, such as spent rocket launchers, dead satellites and fragments of spacecraft resulting from collisions.

Larger pieces can be tracked and avoided, but a fragment less than an inch wide hitting a spaceship could have the impact of a bowling ball traveling at 62 mph. When these small pieces crash into each other, they break into even smaller pieces.

I know many consider space the ultimate challenge, exciting, dangerous, yet promising for those with courage, wits and training, but I hate the sacrifices these convictions inflict.

The seven astronauts on

the Columbia were heroes, incredibly brave, intelligent, thoroughly trained in their mission and committed as few people are to anything.

But what a terrible loss. Think what they could have accomplished over the years to help our country and world.

I felt the full impact of their deaths when I saw the early footage of the astronauts, clad in their space suits, as they left for the missile launch. Their strides could be described only as jaunty. Their smiles were radiant as if their minds were centered on the great adventure about to unfold.

Yet I don't feel sorry for the astronauts. They died doing what they loved to do most. And they're heroes to the world. Not many of us will have that sort of death.

I do feel incredible sorrow for the families of these astronauts. The horror of the collection of body parts so they could be studied

and then identified for delivery to the proper family must be the stuff of nightmares. The younger children won't know about this dreadful reality, but they also won't remember the parent who died.

Who would you rather have: a dead parent who's a hero, or a live parent who may be less than perfect, but who kisses you good night, goes to your school events, helps with homework, loves you even when you're at your worst, attends your high school or college graduation, is at your wedding and is a loving grandparent for your children?

That's a no-brainer.

As we get older, flexibility, muscle strength, balance and strong bones begin to fade. We have to work to maintain these capabilities, primarily through exercise.

This week's Grosse Pointe News (below) begins the first of a series on exercise programs available in our community. Today's features the programs available at Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores.

I have attended its classes for close to five years. I know I am in better shape than I was five years ago, whereas nature on its own would have taken its toll.

Do yourself a favor. Read the series; then act on the information.

Senior Men's Club meets

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m., followed by a short business meeting at noon and then a talk by Dean Krauskopf of the Michigan State University

Extension Service. His topic will be "Michigan Agriculture Now and Tomorrow."

All present and past members of the Senior Men's Club are welcome. For more information, call Dr. Paul Zavell at (313) 881-5592.

Smart seniors shape up and s-t-r-e-t-c-h

Editor's note: This is the first article in a series of five about exercise programs for people 50 years and more. This first story highlights the programs offered through the Assumption Cultural Center.

By Mimi Drennan
Special Writer

Melodious strains of musical oldies fill the air as a group of golden agers limber up and go through their paces in a Kalosomatics session at Assumption Cultural Center. It's exercise time for these seniors, and they're eager to participate.

Since 1977, when Assumption Cultural Center first started the Kalosomatics program, often called Kalo, hundreds of senior citizens have been following the instructors' movements in order to improve their own. The Kalo classes for seniors, scheduled every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and on Mondays and Thursdays, 7 to 8 p.m., at the Eastpointe branch, are geared to increase the seniors' fitness levels every three weeks over a nine-week period.

The sessions emphasize total body workouts but have no complicated dance routines or steps to clog the memory.

According to Joan DeRonne, Assumption Cultural Center administrator, "The Kalosomatics program has been strongly recommended by physicians and physiologists in the field of sports medicine at Wayne State University, and area hospitals have cited the program as being safe and effective."

Participants in the Kalosomatics Moderation classes range in age from 60 to 90; some are widowed; many live alone, and all are congenial older adults with a desire to maintain a healthy and meaningful lifestyle. Each class consists of between 30 and 35 students plus an instructor who coordinates the training.

Meet Agnes Clinton, an 83-year-old, who has a problem maintaining her balance. She's been attending Kalo sessions for 12 years. She cannot use the floor mat for some of the exercises, but she practices those calisthenics while seated in a chair.

"This is such a wonderful program," Clinton said. "It has really helped me with my walking and my balance problem. I recommend it for anyone who wants to keep in shape and be healthy."

Kalosomatics, true to its meaning — a compilation of Greek words meaning the "state of well-being through body movement" — is a complete exercise system for all the body parts, including the heart and lungs.

Diane Ryda, a Grosse

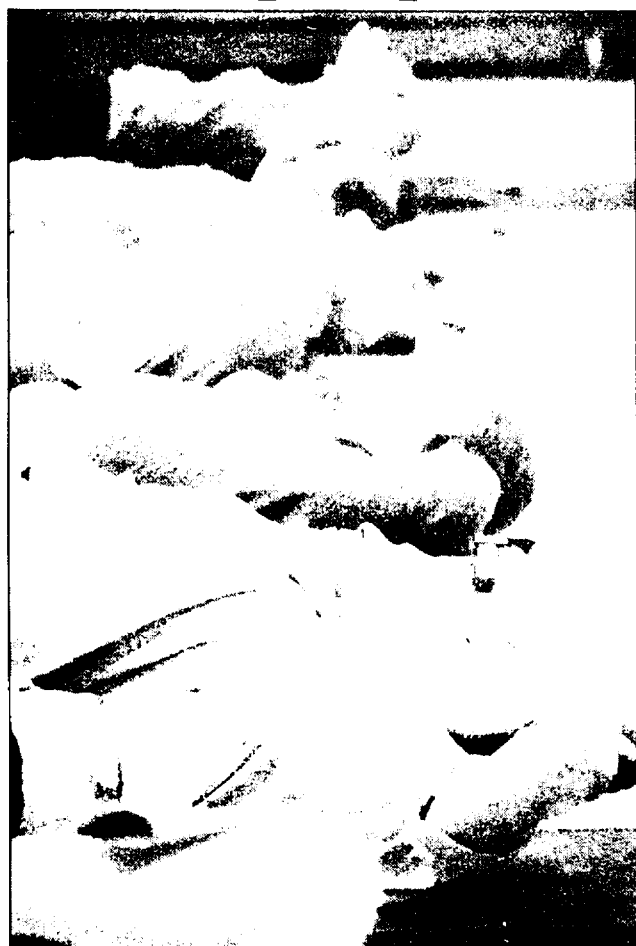


Photo by Robert McKean

Strengthening stomach muscles are from left Modesta Levy, Lois Tavalieri, Tula Economou and Mildred Houde.

Pointe Woods resident who has been an instructor with the Kalo program for 10 years, explained, "We encourage students to do what they can at their own pace. Practice what is comfortable for them personally."

She continued by saying, "One of the most important benefits for seniors with a program like this is the mobility they are maintaining, the muscle toning and the resistance to major injuries caused from falls."

Ryda described procedures of the program by listing the body areas that are strengthened with stretching movements for the waist, the abdominal, and the arms and legs. Exercises are incorporated that also strengthen the heart muscle and the lungs. The routine combines facets from many other basic exercise concepts such as aerobics, calisthenics, brisk walking, jogging, yoga and isometrics and provides a special emphasis on cardiovascular fitness.

"I feel so healthy and ambitious after I exercise in this class," said Lois Tavalieri, a student in her 70s. "Sometimes I find it hard to get out of bed in the morning to come to the center, but I just can't miss a class. It's helped me lose weight, too."

The class begins with limbering up exercises: march-like steps, raising the knees and high stepping to the body in motion. Floor mat exercises follow with leg rises and arm stretches —

to the upper portion of the body. The pace quickens as students continue with a more rapid walking speed and arm swinging movements. Frequently, each student takes his or her pulse beat and checks the Target Heart Rate chart that lists the recommended pulse rates for various age groups.

St. Clair Shores resident, Carroll Urquhart, a former student and now an instructor of Kalosomatics, said, "This program is just wonderful for maintaining muscle strength and improving bone density — good cholesterol is improved and blood pressure lowered. It's never too late to start these classes — no matter what your age. These exercises for the seniors not only help them physically, but they also add to their psychological well-being."

Jackie Adamaszek, a student in her 70s, who has been attending the exercise sessions for four years, had this to say, "I like the classes because they keep me moving. I've been widowed for a couple years, and I like meeting with the other people here — it's really nice. Coming to the classes is a good thing — staying in shape and meeting the people — all in one package."

Another of the students, Mildred Houde, a three-year class attendee, commented while briskly walking in step around the gym after completing the workout, "Not bad for a bunch of older gals, huh?"

Stretch & Stroll

If you like your exercising sitting down, Assumption Cultural Center has just the class for you — the Stretch & Stroll, chair aerobics coed sessions. Scheduled on

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AARP 2151 meets Feb. 24

The AARP No. 2151 chapter of AARP will meet at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Dr. Ginette Lezotte will discuss

hearing loss and hearing aids.

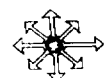
Guests are welcome and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Howard Winter at (313) 881-7209.

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Neil Simon's 'Proposals' comes to G.P. Theatre



Grosse Pointe resident Emma Jean Evans portrays Clemma. Rick Mason appears as Burt, and Laurie Bilkie of Rochester Hills, takes on the role of Josie in Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "Proposals" by Neil Simon. The play will be presented at the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Sunday, March 2; Wednesday through Sunday, March 5-9, and Thursday through Saturday, March 13-15. Sunday performances are at 2 p.m., and all other performances are at 8 p.m. Tickets for most performances are available by calling (313) 881-4004.

"Proposals," one of Neil Simon's more recent comedies, will open at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 2 at the Grosse Pointe Theatre. The play continues March 5-9 and March 13-15.

Simon keeps his audience in the palm of his hand with witty dialogue and believable situations and characters.

The March 9 performance also a 2 p.m. matinee. All other performances begin at 8 p.m. Individual tickets are \$14 and may be obtained by calling the Grosse Pointe Theatre Ticket Hotline at (313) 881-4004.

Grosse Pointe Theatre productions are staged in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. On-site parking is free.

A buffet dinner is served prior to most evening performances in the Crystal Ballroom. Reservations for the buffet may be made by calling (313) 881-7511, after theater tickets have been ordered. There is a separate charge for the buffet, payable to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Please make dinner reservations at least 18 hours before showtime.

"Proposals" is a romantic

comedy set at a family vacation home in the Pocono Mountains. The outdoor setting establishes a mellow and magical atmosphere. It is a memory play guided by the spirit of Clemma Higgins, a devoted housekeeper to Burt Hines and his daughter Josie.

Clemma looks back on the events of a summer in the 1950s when nine people converged on the tranquil country home and not-so-quietly sorted out their tangled lives and loves. Throughout the play are the requisite touching and comic situations that one comes to expect from Neil Simon.

Portraying Clemma is Grosse Pointe Theatre's past president and Grosse Pointe resident, Emma Jean Evans. Rick Mason appears as Burt. Laurie Bilkie, of Rochester Hills, will take on the role of Josie. Also in the cast are Grosse Pointer Laura Hupp Hertzler as Sammie, Mike McKiddie of Warren, as Vinnie, Clinton Township resident Ed Thomas as Ray, John McClure as Kenny and Detroit resident and Plowshares Theatre actor, Ulysses Newkirk as Lewis. "Proposals" is under the

direction of St. Clair Shores resident Michele Karl. Producer is Lee Anne Shaheen, also of St. Clair Shores, with technical direction by fellow St. Clair Shores residents Dennis and Kevin McGinness. Stage manager for the production is Nancy McGinness, also of St. Clair Shores. The set design has been created by local florist Don Cilluffo of Harrison Township.

Lighting designers are Detroit resident Blair Arden and Eric Leszczynski of Grosse Pointe, with sound provided by fellow Grosse Pointer Eric Vreeland.

Another Grosse Pointer, Mary Lou Olszewski, is creating the costumes, with Vicki Urbanik of Harrison Township acting as wardrobe mistress. Makeup will be provided by St. Clair Shores resident Arlene Schoenherr, properties by Debbie Warren of Grosse Pointe, and set dressing by Detroit's D. J. Haska.

Tickets for many performances are still available by calling the ticket hotline at (313) 881-4004. The Grosse Pointe Theatre ticket office is also open most Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the theater's home, 315 Fisher.

One of world's great voices comes home to sing for us

By Alex Suczek
Special Writer

A little more than a decade ago, Irina Mishura was wrestling with the idea of coming to America. It was the height of the breakup of the old Soviet Union. Her native Russia was in disarray. As a leading mezzo-soprano at the Moldavian State Opera, she had a strenuous schedule of singing major roles up to four times a week leaving her neither time nor energy to seek better opportunities further afield.

Her career was at a dead end. Like millions of immigrants before her, she decided to come to the land of opportunity.

And like those millions, she faced big challenges. An operatic career in the West, she found, required more than just talent. She needed to learn English and get theatrical booking and representation to realize her dream.

Coming to Detroit, she first took a service job and then began to seek any opportunity to sing.

The wonderful part of her story is that it did not take long for her talent to be recognized. Quickly she found herself on the stage of Orchestra Hall as soloist in a performance of Tchaikovsky's "Snow Maiden" with Neeme Jarvi and the Detroit Symphony. A major role at Michigan Opera Theatre followed, and soon she was working her way through regional American opera companies, winning recognition and invitations to sing increasingly important dates.

Opera is a small world and in only five years, her name was known internationally.

Back to Europe she went. Now, however, it was on tour as a guest from the U.S.A. She sang at the Vienna State Opera, Bavarian State Opera in Munich, Zurich Opera, Geneva Grand Theatre, Arena di Verona and many more in Europe.

In America, where she became a citizen in 1999, she was then heard at the top opera companies in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., Dallas,



Irina Mishura

Baltimore, Miami, Detroit and New York.

Grateful to America and to Detroit where she got her start, Mishura made Michigan her home. She also found romance here in the person of Jack Morris. He is now her husband and manager. They live in Bloomfield Hills.

Only eight years after coming here, she reached the goal of every opera singer in the world. In October 2000, she made her debut at New York's Metropolitan Opera. That in itself is a triumph, but it was even more prestigious since she sang the role of Dalila to the Samson of the great tenor Placido Domingo.

At the Met, she went on then to sing in addition the principal Mezzo roles in "Il Trovatore" and "Don Carlo."

Then the Met gave her the title role in "Carmen."

After one performance of that role, a critic wrote, "Here Carmen absolutely floored the audience. Hers is a big, sultry voice, evenly produced throughout its range, particularly solid in its lower register, but easily floated on top. Her Carmen is truly voluptuous with smoldering intensity."

Since then she has added two more important roles in New York, Maddalena in "Rigoletto" and Amneris in "Aida."

It is fair to say that the great quality of her voice and acting talent have indeed skyrocketed Mishura to stardom. Yet fame and fortune have not made her proud and unapproachable.

Just busy.

The last two seasons have taken her around the world, from a debut in Washington, D.C. under the baton of Placido Domingo now as conductor, to a Zurich performance of "Il Trovatore," and a tour of Japan with the Met. She also completed the cycle of performing with all three tenors, appearing with Luciano Pavarotti here in Detroit in "Aida" and with Jose Carreras in Modena, Italy, for the celebrated broadcast of the 10th anniversary of Pavarotti's career.

Yet with all the stress of travel and the prestige of starring engagements, she graciously accepted an invitation from Detroit's venerable Pro Musica at the DIA to give a recital in what is now her home town. Her words of acceptance, in fact, were, "I would be honored."

Having established her mastery of the great Verdi dramatic heroines, she has most recently been demonstrating her interpretive and vocal technique in the French and bel canto operas as well. And in her recital for Pro Musica, she has

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

promised to display yet another side of her musical personality.

Along with several of her most famous operatic arias, including her celebrated Carmen, Mishura is programming 10 of her favorite Russian songs. Several are by Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninoff, and two are traditional, including the all-time classic, "Dark Eyes."

As she puts it, these songs will be an opportunity for her to give a sensitive, introspective musical rendering of the Russian soul.

The recital will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, in the Detroit Institute of Arts Auditorium facing John R street. Tickets are available at the museum box office, (313) 833-4005, or at the door. For more information on the program, call (313) 885-0793 or visit www.pro-musicadetroit.com.

Classical Music League, Pro Musica to present concert

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League and Pro Musica will present a recital by Irina Mishura at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Mishura's program will include songs by Rachmaninoff and Tchaikovsky and arias from "Carmen," "Samson and Delila," "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Don Carlo."

She regularly sings with

the Metropolitan Opera of New York, Covent Gardens in London and the State Opera in Vienna.

A reception will be held after the recital. A bus will be available at 7:15 p.m., leaving from a Grosse Pointe location and returning at 10:40 p.m. Bus and theater tickets are \$45.

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Art exhibitions

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center:

• "LatChiusa and Friends," a juried show featuring landscape artist Carol LatChiusa, through Saturday, Feb. 23.

• "A Room of Our Own," exhibition by the Detroit Society of Women Painters & Sculptors, Wednesday, Feb. 26 through Saturday, March 22.

Wednesday-Saturday, 1005 Maryland, Free, (313) 821-1818.

Pewabic Tile: "Tiles on the Edge," an exhibition for Pewabic's Centennial, through Saturday, April 5, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Free, (313) 822-0951.

Artistic opportunities

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center:

Non-Profit Life Drawing, class taught by Jack Petz, 6 p.m., Thursdays, Live model fee.

1005 Maryland, (313) 821-1818.

Progressive Artists Club:

Francine Kachman demonstrates oil portraiture, 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, Eastpointe Community Center, 16435 E. Eight Mile, Eastpointe, Free, (586) 757-0377.

20th annual Art on the Pointe:

Artists' applications are now being taken by the Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center for this annual juried creative arts and family fun fair, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, June 7 and Sunday, June 8, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, \$175 for a 12x12 booth. Proceeds benefit NEGC children's summer programs and the ALNEGC, (313) 885-8592.

Auditions

St. Clair Shores Players:

Openings for four male and four female parts for "Perfect Timing," 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 26 and Thursday, Feb. 27, Jefferson Middle School, 27900 Rockwood, St. Clair Shores.

Benefits

Arti Gras:

A costume gala featuring food, wine, magic and music benefiting the Grosse Pointe Artists Association, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 21, GPAA Center, 1005 Maryland, \$25, (313) 821-1818.

2003 Cirque: A strolling dinner and auction benefiting the Founders Junior Council of the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Scarab Club, 7-11 p.m.,

Saturday, Feb. 22, 217 Farmsworth, Detroit, \$75, (313) 833-0247.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Classical

Roots Gala: The black-tie cocktail reception, dinner, concert and afterglow, benefits the DSO's African

American programs, 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 22, Wayne State University Welcome Center, 42 W. Wabash, Detroit, \$20-\$5000, (313) 576-5119.

Dream Cuts: A day of pampering benefiting Camp Make-A-Dream, a free camp

for children and young adults with cancer, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, Leon's, 112 Kercheval. Appointments and walk-ins welcome, (313) 884-9393.

Mardi Gras Gala & Auction:

Benefiting the Teacher Parent Guild of St. Paul Catholic School, 6 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, \$60. Reservations requested, (313) 885-3430.

12th annual Tin Can

Auction: A benefit for Our Lady Queen of Peace School, which also includes a pizza-sub dinner and bakesale, 6 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, in the school cafeteria, 19360 Harper, Harper Woods, \$1, 4 tickets, (313) 881-3629.

Orchestrations for the

Home: A benefit for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Showcase Gala

Premiere, featuring a cocktail reception, strolling supper, DSO performance and a design showcase, 6:30-10 p.m., Thursday, March 6, \$150-\$400. Reservations required.

• Design Showcase Open House, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday, March 7 to Sunday, March 9, \$18, advance or \$20, after March 6.

Michigan Design Center, 1700 Stutz, Troy, (313) 576-5154.

Girls Just Want to

Have Fun: An evening of fabulous shopping, food and fun, sponsored by the Assistance League to the

Northeast Guidance Center to benefit the NEGC Motor City Club House program for severely mentally ill adults, 6 p.m., Friday, March 7, Assumption Greek Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, \$20 in advance from the League Shop, Assumption Greek Cultural Center, Spa Effects Holistic Day Spa or ALNEGC members or \$25 at the door. Must be 21 or over to attend, (313) 881-1556.

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10th annual Women's

Power Breakfast: Dr. Mary Sue Coleman, president of the University of Michigan, will be the featured speaker for this benefit for the Gleaners

Community Food Bank, 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 12, at the Wintergarden of General Motors Renaissance Center, 150 E. Atwater, Detroit. Reservations requested, (313) 923-3535.

Motor City Musicians

for Larry Lamb: Local musicians and groups, including The Sun

Messengers, The Millionaires and R.J.'s Rhythm rockers with Joe Weaver, rock to raise funds for former Pointer Larry Lamb, who is suffering from cancer.

7-11 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, \$15 advance at The Magic Bag Theatre box office, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030. Afterglow: Dinos, 22740 Woodward, south of Nine Mile.

Concerts

Baldock Mountain

Ramblers: A dinner concert benefiting the Historic

Players Playhouse, 8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 22, 3321 E. Jefferson, \$25, (586) 792-4030.

Chamber Music at the

Scarab Club: 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, \$15, advance or \$18, at the door, (248) 474-8930.

Jazz Vespers: Featuring the Christa Griz Trio, 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Free, (313) 822-3456.

Organ recital:

Performed by David Palmer, 4:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Free, (313) 885-4841.

Irina Mishura recital:

Presented by the Grosse Pointe Classical Music League and Pro Musica, 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 26, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. A bus will leave from a central Grosse Pointe location at 7:15 p.m. and return at 10:40 p.m. \$45, bus and theatre tickets, (313) 886-5160.

Back to the Roots:

Blues folk artists Robert Jones and Matt Watroba headline this benefit for the Capuchin Soup Kitchen's Earth Works Garden/Urban Farm Park and the Michigan Organic Food and Farm Alliance, 6 p.m., Saturday, March 1, at the Museum of New Art, 1249 Washington Boulevard, Detroit, \$7, per person or \$15 per family, (313) 579-2100, ext. 211.

The Jazz Forum:

Featuring tenor/clarinettist Charlie Gabriel, Ron Kischuk on trombone, Kenn Cox on piano, Marion

Hayden on bass, Ike Daney on drums and vocals by Joan Crawford, 8 p.m., Wednesday, March 5, Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, \$10, advance, \$12, at the door, (313) 961-1714.

Madrigal Dinner:

Presented by the Grosse Pointe South High School Senior Pointe Singers, 6 p.m., Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 16, at Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, \$50.

Reservations required by Saturday, March 1, (313) 885-2831.

Celtic Treasures:

Performed by the Detroit Concert Choir, 4 p.m., Sunday, March 23, St. Clare of Montefalco Church, at Mack and Whittier, \$15 adults or \$12, seniors and students, (313) 882-0118.

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Classical Roots, featuring pianist Leon Bates, the

Brazeal Dennard Chorale, soprano Janice Chandler and tenor Ray M. Wade, Jr., 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 22.

3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23, \$20-\$80.

• DTE Energy Foundation Pops, The Incomparable Marvin Hamlisch.

1:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 27, 8 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 27, \$18-\$80.

March 1, 3 p.m., Sunday, March 2, \$15-\$80.

• Classical Series: Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto featuring pianist Lang Lang.

1:30 and 8 p.m., Friday, March 7, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, March 8.

3 p.m., Sunday, March 9, \$18-\$80.

• Civic Sinfonia, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, March 9, \$5-\$10.

• SBC Ameritech Paradise Jazz Series, Dave Brubeck Quartet, 8 p.m., Thursday, March 13, \$18-\$75.

• Classical Series: Tchaikovsky's Fourth, featuring violinist Daniel Hope and conductor Vladimir Fedoseyev.

1:30 and 8 p.m., Friday, March 14, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, March 15.

• Classical Series: The Enigma of Elgar, featuring mezzo-soprano Nathalie Stutzmann.

8 p.m., Thursday, March 20, 8 p.m., Friday, March 21.

8:30 p.m., Saturday, March 22, \$20-\$80.

• Introduction to the Classics: Elgar's Mysterious Variations, 3 p.m., Sunday, March 23, \$28-\$40.

• Classical Series: Andre Watts Plays Beethoven, 8 p.m., Thursday, March 27.

8 p.m., Friday, March 28, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, March 29.

• Civic Orchestra, 3 p.m., Sunday, March 30, \$10-\$15.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 576-5111.

Events

Neighborhood Open

House Luncheon & Talk: Children's portraitist Bette Prudden will be the featured, 12:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 21, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, \$7.

Reservations required, (313) 886-4301.

Grosse Pointe War

Memorial:

• Friends' Taste of the Hops, 7-9 p.m., Friday, Feb. 21, \$35.

• Hilberry Theatre Day Trip, featuring a production of Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors," noon-5 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 26, \$36.

• Blues Night at the War Memorial, 8 p.m., mid-night, Friday, March 14, \$20.

• Cornwell's Dinner Theatre Day Trip, "Two by Two," 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday, March 18, \$63.

• Broadway Brunch, 12:30-3:30 p.m., Sunday, March 23, \$30.

32 Lakeshore. Preregistration required, (313) 881-7511.

Standard Flower Show/Madame and Eve

— A Celebration of Women: Sponsored by District 1 of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, Inc. in conjunction with the Michigan Home and Garden Show, Thursday, March 6 through Sunday, March 9, Pontiac Silverdome, 1200 Featherstone, Pontiac.

• 3-9:30 p.m., Thursday, March 9.

• Noon-10 p.m., Friday, March 10.

• 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday, March 11.

• 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, March 12.

\$7, (248) 391-6825.

Great Lakes International Regional

Korean War

Commemoration:

Veterans will be honored with a memorial wreath laying, exhibits and medal presentation during this event sponsored by the U.

S. Department of Defense to mark the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, 10 a.m., Saturday, March 22.

Macomb Sports and Expo Center, 14500 12 Mile, Warren, Free, (586) 574-8820.

Film

Detroit Film Theatre:

• "Waiting for Happiness," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 21.

7 and 9:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 22.

4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23.

• "Ikiru," 7 and 9:45 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28.

7 and 9:45 p.m., Saturday, March 1.

4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, March 2.

• "Safe Conduct," 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 7.

7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 8.

3 and 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 9.

• "Gerry," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, March 14.

7 and 9:30 p.m., Saturday, March 15.

4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, March 16.

• "Chihwasoon," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, March 21.

7 and 9:30 p.m., Saturday, March 22.

4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, March 23.

• "Blind Spot: Hitler's Secretary," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, March 28.

7 and 9:30 p.m., Saturday, March 29.

4 and 7 p.m., Sunday, March 30.

Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$6.50 or \$5.50 for DIA members, (313) 833-3237.

IMAX Dome Theatre Adventure Series Film Festival:

• "Titanica," noon, 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 4 p.m., Saturday and 2, 4 and 5 p.m., Sunday.

• "Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees," 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m., Monday-Friday, noon and 2 p.m., Saturday and 2 p.m., Sunday.

Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, ages 2-12, \$1 IMAX Dome, (313) 577-8400.

IMAX Theatre:

• "Space Station 3D," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, Great Journey West.

• "Shackleton's Arctic Adventure," 7 and 9:30 p.m., Friday, through Spring 2003.

Screenings hourly in the morning, on the half-hour in the afternoon and evening, 9 a.m.-7:20 p.m., weekdays; 9 a.m.-8:45 p.m., weekends. The Henry Ford (formerly the Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village), 20900 Oakwood, Dearborn, \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children 12 and under, (313) 982-6001.

Fitness/health

Assumption Cultural

Center:

• Kidosomatics Exercise Winter Session, through Friday, March 7, times vary.

\$52 for two-day sessions, \$74 three days, \$94 four days. Twenty-five percent senior discount.

• Free Kiddie Kalo Baby

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Prepare for Oscar night razzle dazzle with library

OK, movie mavens, this is your month. They've announced the Oscar contenders. Go to www.oscars.org or www.oscars.com to bring up a complete list of nominations.

Judging from box office reports, most of you are way ahead of me. You've seen a number of the nominated films. You'll be ready for Oscar night. And, yes, we will celebrate at the library in what is rapidly becoming a tradition.

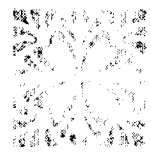
Critic and film instructor Lawrence Jeziak will return for another night of movie clips and popcorn. He'll be here at Central Library, 7:30 p.m., March 20, the Thursday before the awards ceremony.

Even though we open this program up to the main reading room at Central, it fills up fast. So, as usual, the program's free but you need to register. Call (313) 343-2074, extension 220, to save a seat.

And don't tell me you

haven't paid any attention to the brouhaha. I've been following the library's holds on Michael Cunningham's "The Hours." Since the movie scuttlebutt and the Golden Globe awards, it has more holds now than it did when it was new (1998) and received stellar reviews.

But "The Hours" is only snow dust on Lambert Glacier. Almost everything up for the awards was adapted, mainly from books. You'll find most of them at the library.



The Book Return

Many are fiction: Graham Greene's "The Quiet American," Louis Begley's "About Schmidt" and Nick Hornby's "About a Boy." Susan Orlean's "The Orchid Thief" figured prominently in "Adaptation" (which in turn refers to scripting "Being John Malkovich"). Martin Scorsese claims to have found the story for "Gangs of New York" in a 1928 pot boiler by Herbert Asbury. The long out of print Asbury book is almost impossible to find. This is probably a good thing.

"Road to Perdition" closely follows Max Allan Collins' graphic novel of the same title. "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" is, of course, Tolkien's classic. In animation, "Treasure Planet" is an obvious play on "Treasure Island." H.G. Wells' "The Time Machine" is nominated for makeup, and "Minority Report" (sound editing) is from a sci-fi short story by Philip K. Dick.

At least three were biographies: Wladislaw Szpilman's Holocaust memoir "The Pianist," Fran Abagnale's "Catch Me if You Can," and Hayden Herrera's "Frida: A Biography of Frida Kahlo."

The next adaptation isn't actually from a book, but it's too important in the

Oscar mix to ignore. The razzle-dazzle musical "Chicago" is adapted as well from the 1976 Broadway musical by Bob Fosse. Fred Zinn and John Kander. We don't have a copy of the script, but you can find a longer synopsis with photos and cuttings from the songs in "The Best Plays of 1975-1976."

So, you have a lot of movies and books you'll want to catch up on. We'll have ballots at the program for the major nominations: best picture, best director, best leading and supporting actors, best leading and supporting actresses and to make it a little tougher, best foreign film. After the Academy announces the winners, we'll draw from the ballots with the right answers. Winners will get coupons for free video use.

If going on about the best of this and that sends you screaming from the room, perhaps you'd prefer a look at the lists of the year's worst. While the Academy is celebrating its 75th anniversary, the Golden Raspberry Award Foundation is celebrating 25 years. The foundation will announce the Razzie Awards this year on Saturday, March 22, at 11 a.m. as they say "the traditional 24 hours before

That Other Award Show, a.k.a.: The Giving Out of the Little Gold Naked Men."

This snippy bunch can be fun to read. They seem to favor "Mr. and Mrs. Madonna" for "Swept Away." They obviously were disappointed with "Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones." As they nominate it in various categories, the subtitle disintegrates to "Send in the Clones," "Attack of the Clones," "Yada-Yada-Yada."

"The Boredom Continues," "Whatever..." well, you get their drift. Adam Sandler, Roberto Benigni and many others get razzed. You'll find the Razzies (logically) at razzies.com.

If you can't get enough of the worst, try Rotten Tomatoes. You can find the fourth annual RT awards at a great site for movie reviews, www.rottentomatoes.com. They choose the 25 worst films of the year, no additional categories.

Oscar night is a month away; so for something to do right now, why don't you stop by the library and catch the last of the Friends of the Library's book sale. They'll be running it at Central Library through Saturday, Feb. 22.

March 20th you can join us for popcorn, movies and all that jazz.

You can e-mail Helen Gregory at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us or find her at Grosse Pointe Central Library.

Ditalini goes nicely with beef, fish or chicken

Ditalini [diht-ah-LEE-neel] are very short, round tubes of pasta. It is a pasta that you are likely to find in hearty Italian soups such as minestrone or pasta e fagioli. This week's recipe turns the tiny pasta into a tasty side dish loaded with flavors from the Mediterranean. This simple recipe can be served hot, warm or room temperature, which makes it a dish that can travel.

Ditalini with Tomatoes, Capers & Lemon Oil

1 lb. dried ditalini pasta, or other small pasta
1 lemon
1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon olive oil
2 garlic cloves, smashed
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
1 14.5-oz. can diced tomatoes (with liquid)
2 heaping tablespoons drained capers, roughly chopped
1/2 cup (packed) pitted Kalamata olives,

coarsely chopped
Fresh ground pepper to taste
1/4 cup chopped fresh chives
1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil to cook the pasta. Meanwhile, heat 1/2 cup of the olive oil over medium heat. Using a peeler, gently skim wide strips of zest from the lemon. After a minute or two, the oil should reach 210 degrees. You'll know that it's hot enough if the oil bubbles when you lower a strip of the zest into it.

Add the remaining zest and immediately remove from heat. Set aside to cool. After the oil has cooled, remove the zest and set aside for later use.

Heat a medium skillet over medium-high heat. Add the remaining 1 tablespoon of olive oil to the skillet, followed by the garlic and the crushed red pepper. Cook for a quick 30 seconds and carefully add the tomatoes, capers and olives.

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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



Reduce the heat to medium-low, and simmer the sauce for 10 minutes or so, stirring often. The sauce will thicken as the tomatoes lose their form.

Cook the pasta according to package directions. Drain pasta and place in a large bowl. Add the hot tomato sauce and 2 tablespoons of the lemon, season with fresh black pepper. For a moister pasta, add more lemon oil. Last, top the pasta with the chopped chives and the crumbled feta.

Serve this delicious ditalini as a main course or a side dish with seafood, poultry or beef. The lemon flavor complements the salty capers and olives. Save the extra lemon oil for salads. This delicious pasta can be prepared in less than 45 minutes. Take the time.

Calendar

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Directly behind the St. Clair Shores Public Library, 22500 11 Mile, Free, (586) 771-9020.

Personal enrichment

League of Women Voters Lectures:
• Are You Doing Drugs, 7 p.m., Thursday, March 6, Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook.
• Youth Outreach Program, 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 11, Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook.
(313) 822-8251.

Book Club: Featuring a discussion of "Monsignor Quixote," by Graham Greene, Wednesday, March 19.

• 1 p.m., St. Peter's Parish House, 19800 Anita, Harper Woods.
• 7 p.m., Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper, Harper Woods.
Free, (313) 343-2575.

Classic Books Lecture Series: The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library sponsor lectures presented by professors of literature from the University of Michigan
• "Othello," 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 27.

• "Songs of Innocence and of Experience," 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27.
\$10 or Free for FGPPL members. Preregistration required. (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

All About Oscar: Grosse Pointe Public Library lecture featuring Lawrence Jeziak, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20, 10 Kercheval. Free. Reservations requested. (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

Grosse Pointe Public Library Internet Classes: All courses are held at the Central Library, 10 Kercheval.

• Beginner Internet, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays.

• Intermediate Internet,

2:30-3:30 p.m., Tuesdays.
• Beginner Computer, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Thursdays.
• Email Basics, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Thursdays.
Free, (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

St. Peter's Learning Center:
• Computer Beginner Phase I,

9-11 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 18-April 1.

9-11 a.m., Mondays, March 10-April 7.

1-3 p.m., Mondays, March 10-April 7.

9-11 a.m., Tuesdays, March 11-April 8.

• Introduction to Excel, 1-3 p.m., Wednesdays, March 5-March 26. \$80.

• Computer Card Making, 9-11 a.m., Thursdays, March 13-March 27. \$55.

• Concerns of the Heart Health/Wellness Program, 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday, March 10, St. Peter's Parish House, \$5.

• Current Events, 2:15-3:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 19, St. Peter's Parish House, Free.

• St. Peter the Apostle Elementary School, 19800 Anita, Harper Woods. Preregistration required. (586) 421-1193.

Residents only

Grosse Pointe Park: Robert Hutton Ice Rink, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., daily, weather permitting. 16200 Essex. (313) 822-1681.

Seniors

Services for Older Citizens Programs: Aerobic Exercise for Seniors, 10-10:45 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Services for Older Citizens' Neighborhood Club offices, 17150 Waterloo, \$2. (313) 882-9600.

AARP/IRS Tax Counseling for the Elderly: free tax prepara-

tion seniors with low and moderate incomes, by appointment.

• St. Clair Shores - 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesdays, through April 9, St. Lucy's Church, 23401 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, (586) 771-8300.

• Grosse Pointe, by appointment in the afternoon, Wednesdays and Thursdays, through April 15, Services for Older Citizens Neighborhood Club offices, 17150 Waterloo, (313) 882-9600.

Bring a copy of your 2002 taxes and all of your forms, documents and receipts. (313) 882-9600.

Spiritual

Men's Friday Ecumenical Breakfast: Share food, fellowship and a lecture, Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.
• Feb. 21, the Rev. Robert Wills, coordinator, Marriage Support Ministry.
• Feb. 28, the Rev. Fred Harms, St. Paul Lutheran Church, 16 Lakeshore, \$5. (313) 882-5330.

Inner Child Study Group/Bradshaw on Homecoming: 7-8:30 p.m., Mondays, through April 21, Heart of Jesus Prayer Center, 21151 13 Mile, St. Clair Shores, \$10, per session. (586) 415-0709.

Theater

Hello, Dolly! Grosse Pointe North High School students star in a production of the beloved musical comedy at the Grosse Pointe Center for the Performing Arts, 707 Vernier.

• 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 6.

• 8 p.m., Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8.

\$12 main floor, \$10 balcony. (313) 432-3200.

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8:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW
Guest: Anne-Vivian Karsan, M.D., *Top Gun*
Host: Fran Schenckberg and her guests discuss topics and events of particular interest to senior citizens. Repeated: 11:30 PM

9:00 AM VITALITY PLUS
A half-hour aerobics/exercise class. Repeated: Midnight

9:30 AM POSITIVELY POSITIVE
Guests: Eric Rosario & Ann Lammert
Hosts: Jeanne McNeil and Liz Aiken. An uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas. Repeated: 12:30 AM, 9:30 PM, M-W-F & Sun.

10:00 AM WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN?
Guest: Neve Galt and *Ed's Kitchen*, *Ed's Kitchen*
Host: Chuck Kacess cooks with local celebrities. Repeated: 1 AM, 6:30 PM

10:30 AM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP
Watercolor Workshop Part I
Renowned local artist Carol LaChaise demonstrates watercolor techniques, simple enough for beginners, yet challenging to the experienced artist. Repeated: 1:30 AM, 7:30 PM

11:00 AM THINGS TO DO AT THE WAR MEMORIAL
Guest: Bob Ramsey, *Antiques*
You Anne Haganan, Watnick and Emmett Byrnes. Co-host an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial. Repeated: 2 AM, 8 PM

11:30 AM OUT OF THE ORDINARY... INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY
Guest: Dr. Richard Morin, *Professor of Psychology*, U.M.
Host: Robert Taylor presents an extraordinary half-hour of people, places and ideas. Repeated: 7:30 AM, 9:30 PM, Tue., 1, Sat.

12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT
Guest: *The Horrible, Spoiled American*, U.S. Energy Secretary
Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 3 AM, 10:30 PM

1:00 PM INSIDE ART
Guest: Kenneth B. Katz, *Conservation of Paintings*
"Inside Art" on WMTV 5, an exploration into the creative process of art, right in your backyard. Repeated: 4 AM, 5:30 PM

1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS
Topic: *Enslaved Eggs*
Host: Susan Harz focuses on local interesting collections. Repeated: 4:30 AM, 8:30 PM, Tue., 1, Sat.

2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER
Guest: Helen Burton & Randi Wilner, *Forster Care*
Hosts: local attorneys David Draper and Douglas Doniphey take an inside look at current legal issues. Repeated: 5 AM, 6 PM

2:30 PM THE JOHN PROST SHOW
Guest: Dan Lally & Bruce Barrett
Host: John Prost interviews local celebrities about time-ly topics. Repeated: 5:30 AM, 10 PM

3:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER
Guest: *North of Lakeside Center*
Host: John Kent interviews people of interest from Grosse Pointe and the Detroit Area bringing current information to the community about special events. Repeated: 6 AM, 7 PM

3:30 PM MUSICAL STORYTIME JAMBOREE
Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker, and Miss Read Aboss, offers a half-hour of stories and music for children. Repeated: 6:30 AM

4:00 PM VITALITY PLUS
A half-hour of body toning and step/kickboxing exercise. Class. M-W-F/Sun. Step/kickboxing. Repeated: 7 AM, 9 PM, M-W-F & Sun., 1, Tue. Repeated: 10 PM, Tue. 1, Sat.

4:30 PM YOUNG VIEW POINTS
Upbeat youth show featuring students reporting on a variety of educational topics. Repeated: 7:30 AM, 8:30 PM, M-W-F & Sun.

5:00 PM POINTS OF HORTICULTURE
Horticultural Co-Hosts: M. Anthony & Jim Farquhar share tips, gives advice and interviews local authorities on gardening. Repeated: 8 AM

*Schedule subject to change without notice. For further information call 313.881.7511.

February 20, 2003

South takes care of things early in MAC swim showdown

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys swimming team left no room for error in this year's Macomb Area Conference Red Division showdown with Romeo.

A year ago, the Blue Devils lost the meet and the division dual meet title to the Bulldogs when they were disqualified in the final relay on a rules technicality.

"Our goal this year was to get off to a good start so that it wouldn't have to be decided on the last event," said South coach Bill Thompson after his team beat Romeo 113-73.

"It was a big meet and we knew Romeo would be ready for it. They always seem to

swim well against us, especially at home. We wanted to do well in the four events before the diving so that we could lay a foundation for the rest of the meet. Last year we didn't have a good start and it hurt us."

It was the first league loss of the year for the Bulldogs, while South completed an undefeated season in the MAC Red.

The Blue Devils started the meet just as Thompson had hoped they would. South finished first and third in the 200-yard medley relay and outscored Romeo in the next three events, although the Bulldogs finished first in two of them.

"We knew Romeo had some excellent swimmers

and they'd take some firsts, but in those events we had to get the seconds, thirds and fourths," Thompson said.

Romeo's Anthony Serio won the 200 freestyle, but South's Josiah Spurr and Casey Browning grabbed the next two spots and teammate Andrew Graham was fifth.

Robbie Dereadt of Romeo took first in the 200 individual medley but South got the next three places behind Pete Stevens, John Sax and David Richardson-Rossbach.

South's Ben Jenzen won the 50 freestyle with a state-qualifying time of 22.68, and teammate Luke Richard was second. Mike Dunaway was fourth for South.

Those efforts sent South into the diving break with a 39-23 lead that might have stunned Romeo.

"I think our start might have taken something out of them, and it gave us a lift for the rest of the meet," Thompson said.

Jenzen also won the 100 freestyle for South in 51.32, while Casey Browning was third and Dunaway was fourth.

Richardson-Rossbach led a South sweep in the 100 backstroke with a winning time of 58.48. He was followed by Wilson Holm and Sax.

Stevens, a sophomore, had his best meet of the season. He dropped several seconds off his previous time to win

the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.40. He also swam a strong breaststroke leg in the 200 medley relay. Richardson-Rossbach, Richard and Dunaway were the other members of the winning relay that was clocked in 1:46.39.

South increased its margin with a 1-2 finish in the 200 freestyle relay. The Blue Devils' A team of Richard, Casey Browning, Dunaway and Jenzen edged the B unit of Ryan Gunderson, Robbie Browning, Graham and Spurr.

Romeo's Serio added a first in the 500 freestyle to his win in the 200, while Dereadt had firsts in the 200 IM and the 100 butterfly.

"Josiah Spurr had some

big-time drops in both the 200 and 500," Thompson said. "Our other three seniors (Lund, Erich Bergmann and Rick Chesney) also swam well. It was nice to see because they've set such a good example for the freshmen this year."

Spurr and Alex Glendening finished 2-3 in the 500 freestyle, while Richard and Graham were second and third, respectively, in the 100 butterfly.

Romeo's other firsts came in the 400 freestyle relay and the diving where Chris Loveday had a winning score of 203.95 points. South's Justin Linne was

See SWIM, page 4C

Blue Devils stay alive in girls hockey battle for first

Grosse Pointe South won the latest chapter in one of the hottest rivalries in girls high school hockey last week when the Blue Devils beat Cranbrook Kingswood 7-5.

Last year, the teams split five games with each winning two and the other ending in a tie. Cranbrook, however, nipped South 2-1 in the state championship game.

This year, Cranbrook won the first two meetings. The Cranes won the championship game of the University Liggett School tournament and were also victorious in the first meeting in Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League play.

Another Cranbrook win

would have ended South's hopes for another regular-season championship, but the Blue Devils overcame the absence of two of their top scorers to pull out the victory.

Emily Shefferly scored three goals and Sarah Parker collected four assists for South. The Blue Devils were missing senior captains Heather Doughty and Nettie Champine because of illness.

Emile Williams, Lauren Vallee and the other South defenders provided a smothering and physical defense and Lauren Stanek was solid in goal.

See HOCKEY, page 3C



Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap
Grosse Pointe South's Emily Shefferly scores one of her three goals against Cranbrook Kingswood last week.

Coach praises 'team' concept for Pioneers' perfect run

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Harper Woods' boys basketball team went undefeated in the Metro Conference for a second straight season, beating Hamtramck 90-57 last week.

"I'm very pleased with our team's accomplishment," head coach Loren Ristovski said. "It's quite amazing to go undefeated in our conference for two straight years. Now we just have to keep on playing well during the conference tournament."

The Ristovski-led Pioneers have a record of 28-4 during the last four years in the Metro Conference.

"This isn't about me being the head coach; it is about us

as a team and a program playing together," Ristovski said. "We're getting contributions from everyone on the team."

Starters Dan Harris, Gilbert Walker and Eric Brice missed a few games early in the conference schedule when the Pioneers played the contenders -- Livonia, Clarenceville, Lutheran North and University Liggett School.

Role players Jesus Melendez, Chris Hale, Justin Popov, James Slago and Pete Palm played well, mixing in with established veterans Dequan Flowers, Rodney Batts, and the possible conference most valuable

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Grosse Pointe North's gymnastics team won its ninth straight Great Lakes Eight Conference dual meet championship. In front, from left, are Sarah Colosimo, Marsia Thomas and Erin Vishey. In the second row, from left, are Sheila Terry, captain Kelly Poletis, Liah Steele and Mia Mocer. In the third row, from left, are Dayle Kronback, Ashley Hogan and Kristin Glovac. In back, from left, are coach Brooke Brownlie, Jessica Roszka, captain Katie Weathers and assistant coach Dave Taylor.

Norsemen second in league meet

Grosse Pointe North gymnastics team wasn't quite "on the beam" in the recent Great Lakes Conference meet.

The Norsemen, who usually do well on the balance beam, had an uncharacteristic off night in the event, and they wound up second.

The runner-up finish ended North's winning streak at nine in conference meets. The Norsemen did win the league's dual meet title for the ninth straight year.

North had several medalists in the league meet.

Katie Weathers was second in all-around with a score of 32.90. She was second on uneven bars with an 8.5, third on vault (8.35) and fourth on floor exercise (8.5).

Kelly Poletis was third all-around with a 32.4 total. She was fourth on bars (8.1), fourth on beam (8.1) and 10th in vault (8.1).

Jessica Roszka, who received the award as the league's Senior Gymnast of the Year, had a personal best of 8.2 on bars to win the third-place medal.

Dayle Kronback was seventh on bars.

North had a good performance on bars with all four of its competitors earning medals.

Earlier, North beat Grosse

Pointe South 126-122.05 in a rematch of an earlier meeting.

This time the Norsemen were on the beam as all six competitors posted personal bests. They were Ashley Hogan (6.1), Sheila Terry (6.15), Liah Steele (7.1), Sarah Colosimo (8.3), Mia Mocer (8.35) and Weathers (8.7).

Weathers had an excellent all-around score of 32.85. Her other scores were 8.5 on vault, 7.0 on bars and 8.65 on floor.

Poletis had scores of 8.05 on vault, 8.15 on bars and 7.9 on floor.

Roszka had a 7.35 on bars, while Kronback had scores of 8.1 on vault and 7.7 on bars.

Erin Vishey and Kristin Glovac also performed well in the meet.

South gymnasts win two meets

Grosse Pointe South's gymnastics team has been improving steadily during the season and a couple of recent victories bore that out.

The Blue Devils beat Trenton 117.3-103.5 for their first win of the season.

Bright spots included high scores of 7.75 for Jamie Sylvester, 7.9 for India

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

This season has been a struggle for Fraser's basketball team from Day One.

Last Friday, Grosse Pointe North made life even tougher for the Ramblers.

"I thought we bothered them a lot with our defense," North coach Matt Trombley said after the Norsemen's 14-27 victory in the Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

"We played good team defense. We were always in their face and they didn't like it. We felt we could bother them because they don't have a primary ball handler."

Fraser scored the first four points of the game on putbacks by Scott Rutter and Taurean Tyler, but the Ramblers wouldn't get another field goal until Kenny St. Onge hit a buzzer beater to end the first half.

That gave North a 22-9 halftime lead.

After Fraser went up 4-0, Michael Bramos hit a three-point basket to trigger a 15-0 run by the Norsemen. Zac Matthews and Bramos combined for 11 of the points in the spurt.

Fraser hit the first two baskets of the second half, but this time North answered with a 9-2 run to extend its lead to 16 points. Bramos capped the spurt with his second dunk in as many games.

The Norsemen's relentless defense usually has the opposing team's players gasping for breath. North's ball movement on offense can also tire an opponent.

"It's hard to shoot well when you're tired," Trombley said. "That's the agenda."

"We're getting better at moving the ball on offense. Ball movement is a big part of our offense."

Bramos finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and five blocked shots.

"He's an outstanding athlete," Trombley said. "He does such a good job of timing his jumps on the blocks."

Matthews and Henry McCain each finished with 10 points for North. Jake Krystoforski had seven rebounds, while Marcell Maxwell grabbed six.

Although he scored only two points, guard Andrew Tynrak had an excellent game for the Norsemen.

"He had four steals and five assists, but he helped cause a lot of other turnovers," Trombley said of the team's lone senior.

Rutter and St. Onge each had nine points to lead Fraser, while Tyler pulled down 13 rebounds and scored eight points.

Earlier, North beat Marysville 54-41 in another MAC White contest that was similar to the Fraser game.

The Norsemen pulled away from a 17-all deadlock to lead 29-24 at halftime.

North broke the game open by outscoring the Vikings 14-3 in the third quarter.

Bramos and Bryan Bennett, who missed the Fraser game with a sprained ankle, led North with 13 points apiece. Bramos scored all but two of his in the first half, and he silenced the Marysville fans with his dunk off an alley-oop pass from Tynrak.

In addition to his scoring, Bennett contributed six steals and four assists.

"Bryan played a great defensive game — a complete game," Trombley said. "He was in guys' faces all night and rarely got beat."

North improved to 10-6 overall and 7-3 in the MAC White.

It was Trombley's goal to have 10 wins going into this week's games against division leaders Fitzgerald and Romeo. North hosts the unbeaten Bulldogs on Friday.

South's struggles continue in basketball

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

As soon as Grosse Pointe South's basketball team gets one problem solved, another one seems to arise.

"There are too many holes in the dike," said coach George Petrouleas after the Blue Devils lost a pair of Macomb Area Red Division games to Eisenhower (65-26) and Ford II (61-53).

"In the Ford game we made some good defensive stops in the third quarter. We stopped them on 11 of 12 possessions, but we couldn't do anything on the other

end, and we were still three points back. We had five turnovers and a couple of missed layups."

It was still a three-point game midway through the fourth quarter, but once again, South was unable to get the key basket to make the Falcons nervous.

The Blue Devils had some defensive breakdowns in the first half as Ford built a nine-point lead by the intermission. The second quarter was the difference as the Falcons overcame a 16-15 deficit after one quarter.

"We allowed too much

dribble penetration," Petrouleas said. "Eleven of Ford's 22 baskets were layups."

The Falcons also did a good job of getting to the free-throw line, and once they were there, they hit 15 of 20 attempts.

"We just have to work better at both ends of the court," Petrouleas said.

"We shot 42 percent, which isn't a bad percentage, but we had too many misses around the basket, and we had too many

turnovers." Brett Frangel led South with 14 points, 11 rebounds and four blocked shots. Brendan Butler added 12 points for the Blue Devils.

"At least we were competitive," Petrouleas said. "We've had a lot of games where we haven't been competitive."

The Eisenhower game was one of those.

South committed 34 turnovers and the Eagles capitalized.

"They got a ton of points off our turnovers," Petrouleas said.

Pioneers, Eagles advance eight to regional

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Harper Woods and Lutheran East wrestling teams advanced eight competitors to this weekend's Division IV individual regional tournament at Clinton.

"This finished off a great week for us," Harper Woods head coach Adam Schiell said. "Things couldn't have gone better."

The Pioneers' Jeremy Myers (275-pound class), Steve Orjada (215 pounds),

Mike Monaghan (152 pounds) and Bobby Monaghan (119 pounds), and the Eagles' Chris Jurczak (112 pounds) were all crowned district champions.

Adam DiGiovanni of Harper Woods (third at 171 pounds) and Dexter Shorter of Lutheran East (130 pounds) took home bronze medals.

"Chris and Dexter are our top wrestlers," East head coach John Widmer said. "They have worked hard to

get to this point, but their goal is to get to the state finals."

The surprise of the tournament was Pioneer freshman Alex Kidd, who made it to the regionals by finishing fourth in the 130-pound class.

"Alex has gone through the growing pains of wrestling as a freshman," Schiell said. "It was great to see him make it to the regionals."

Earlier in the week, Harper Woods won another team district championship, crushing Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 54-18 in the finals and host Detroit Holy Redeemer 69-9 in the semifinals.

East lost its semifinal match 36-33 to Northwest.

"Winning another district championship is great for the morale of this program," Schiell said. "Our kids have been losing to some very tough teams the entire season, but to come back and make it back to the regionals is great."

The Harper Woods wrestling team improved to

12-17 overall. Lutheran East finished its season 2-21 overall.

Coming up for Jurczak, Shorter, Orjada, Myers, Bobby Monaghan, Mike Monaghan, DiGiovanni and Kidd is the individual regional tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Clinton.

The top four in each weight class advance to the state finals on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 6, 7 and 8, at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Harper Woods' team regional semifinal against favored Memphis was held yesterday, Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Byron.

The Pioneers lost by 30 points to Memphis in their first dual meet of the season.

"We went into that meet without five of our best wrestlers," Schiell said. "I think we can beat Memphis, and then who knows what can happen in the finals."

League champion Lutheran Westland and host Byron competed in the other semifinal.

Eagles hoopsters fall to Metro opponents

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Head coach Gary Gutenkunst is waiting patiently for his Lutheran East boys basketball team to finish a game.

The Eagles have been in nearly every one of their games, but mistakes down the stretch have led to losses.

"We're having trouble finishing games in which we lead at the half," Gutenkunst said. "We need to play our best when it counts the most, and we're not doing that at the moment."

Last week, the Eagles lost 55-46 to host Macomb Lutheran East after leading 24-20 at the half.

Junior Robert Carlisle scored 17 points, and senior Neil Bellomy added 11 to lead the Eagles.

Gutenkunst also singled out the play of guard Matt Johnston.

"We have some tough games ahead of us, and our guys have to play well in each of the four quarters," Gutenkunst said. "We have some talented athletes, but everyone has to put it together for us to win."

Later last week, East lost 45-41 to visiting Livonia Clarenceville, which has only one conference loss (to Harper Woods).

The Lutheran East basketball team fell to 1-6 in the Metro Conference and 3-11 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is a Metro Conference play-off game on Friday, Feb. 14, against Lutheran Westland.

The winner gets to face Harper Woods in the Metro Conference quarterfinals on Friday, Feb. 21.

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Notre Dame junior Ryan Gallus, above, has played well down the stretch for head coach Don Sicko and the Fightin' Irish.

North wins thriller

Grosse Pointe North's boys swimming team finished its dual meet season with an exciting come from behind 100-86 victory over Fraser in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Stephen Cornillie started the Norsemen on the road to the victory with a thrilling victory in the 200-meter freestyle. Cornillie came from behind to win the event and in the process, swam his best time by more than four seconds.

Cornillie also had an outstanding performance in the 500 freestyle as he dropped more than 20 seconds off his previous best time.

Michael Van Beck played North's version of the "Iron Man" by swimming in three of the last four events, winning the 500 freestyle and the 100 backstroke.

Larry Briski continued his winning ways in the 50 freestyle and the 100 butterfly.

Briski chopped nearly a second off his best time in the butterfly, and moved within striking range of a state-qualifying time in the event.

North divers Matt Doak, Jack Gibson and Scott Finch made a major contribution with a 1-2-3 finish. The sweep gave the Norsemen a 10-point advantage in the meet.

Earlier, North beat Livonia Franklin 123-62 in a non-league meet.

Van Beck won the 200 and 500 freestyle events, while Briski was also a double winner with firsts in the 50 freestyle and 100 butterfly.

Other individual winners were Nick Janutol in the 200 individual medley, Cornillie in the 100 freestyle and Dan Minturn in the 100 backstroke.

North finished 2-2 in the MAC Red and 5-3 overall.

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player Bruce Mosely.

"Pete has improved his game a ton, and James is gaining confidence in his shooting," Ristovski said. "Popov is turning into a scorer, and Bruce is being the Bruce of old. Everyone recognizes his role on this team, which is why we're winning."

The host Pioneers led 40-28 at the half against Hamtramck, but they put their game into overdrive in the second half, outscoring the Cosmos 50-29.

Mosely had 26 points, seven rebounds and five assists, while Popov and sophomore Jerome Douglas chipped in with 16 and 13 points.

Later in the week, it took a half-court three-pointer by Batts to stretch the Pioneers' winning streak to 10 games in an 81-76 overtime victory over visiting Detroit Loyola.

Batts' half-court heave sent the game to overtime, and from there Mosely took over to help the Pioneers win.

Mosely scored 26 points for the second straight game and had nine assists, eight rebounds, and five steals.

Popov had 25 points, while Batts finished with seven for the Harper Woods basketball team which improved to 14-2 overall.

Coming up for the Pioneers is a Metro Conference quarterfinal game on Friday, Feb. 21, at home against the winner of the Lutheran Westland/Lutheran East play-in contest.

If they win, the Pioneers will host a semifinal game on Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Volleyball

The Harper Woods girls volleyball team finished its Metro Conference schedule last week, losing to Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest and beating Hamtramck.

"We're not playing very well at the moment," head coach Liza Rogers said. "We're not playing as a team, which we need to do before the conference tournament begins."

The Pioneers were paced by seniors Amanda Knott and Lyndsay McDonough, and juniors Jade King and Angela Wierszewski.

Earlier in the week, the Pioneers lost a tough non-league match to host Sterling Heights Bethesda Christian 15-11, 13-15, 12-15.

Tryouts slated for volleyball travel teams

The VIP Club AAU volleyball team will hold tryouts on Sunday, Feb. 23 at Fraser High School.

Players who are ages 10 through 13 will have tryouts from 9 to 11 a.m. Players aged 14 through 16 will try out from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The VIP Club 17-and-under USAV volleyball team will have tryouts on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School.

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Notre Dame trio takes home gold medals in state district wrestling tournament

Six make it to regionals

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

The Notre Dame coaching staff couldn't be happier as they guided six of their wrestlers into the regional tournament.

"We didn't get one wrestler through to the regional round during our first year with the program, but then we had two the following year and three last year," head coach Gordie Fooks said. "Now we have six going to regionals, and I think each of the six kids has a great shot to make it to the state finals."

Senior Dan Hughes (135-pound class), sophomore Sal Valgoi (112 pounds) and freshman Jarred Hudson (103 pounds) earned gold medals, while junior Jacob Vasquez (130 pounds) lost in the finals, taking home a silver medal in a Division II individual regional tournament at Hazel Park High School.

Senior Mark Nemeckay (140 pounds) and junior Steve Chauvin (145 pounds) also made it to the regionals by capturing bronze medals.

Rod Sanders (275 pounds), Jonathan Johnson (189 pounds) and Jalani Nantamby (160 pounds) were each one match away from getting into the next round.

"We're very happy with how well our kids wrestled," Fooks said. "Everyone in our program had an outstanding season, and they can't wait until next year."

Earlier in the week, Notre Dame lost 43-32 to Center Line in a Division II district team tournament championship match.

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Shefferly opened the scoring five minutes into the first period. She crossed in front of the Cranbrook goal and put a backhand shot past netminder Hilary Schreiber. Hilary Inger and Parker assisted.

Cranbrook responded quickly when Sabrina Must scored on a backhander for the first of the Cranes' four power-play goals.

South has thrived in the second period this season and the Blue Devils broke the 1-1 deadlock with four unanswered goals before Must scored her second of the game in the final minute of the second period.

South broke the tie when Amelia Altavena won a face-off, Vallee picked up the puck and fed it to Megan McCaughey, who went through the Cranbrook defense and scored on a wrist shot.

Shefferly made it 3-1 when Parker found her in the slot and she batted the puck into the corner of the net. Two minutes later, defenseman Katie McMillan hit Parker in the corner and she again passed to Shefferly, who snapped another shot past Schreiber. McMillan increased South's lead to 5-1 on a slap shot from the blue line, assisted by Kristin Inger and Parker.

In the third period, South lost Williams with a knee injury and Cranbrook turned three Blue Devils penalties into three power-play goals to tie the game at 5-5. Julia Kramer got the first and Julia Kazmers scored the next two.

With less than a minute remaining in the game, McCaughey and Vallee battled Cranbrook defenders to keep the puck in Cranes' territory long enough for Caitlin Cory to pick it up and score the winning goal.

Cranbrook pulled its goalie for an extra attacker but Cory foiled the strategy when she passed to Parker for an empty-net goal.

"It came down to the final match," Fooks said. "We needed to get a pin to win, and instead our guy wrestled tough but lost. It was a heck of a match."

The host Fightin' Irish had wins by Hudson (won by void at the 103-pound class), Valgoi (won by pin at 112 pounds), Vasquez (won by void at 130 pounds), Hughes (won a 9-1 major decision at 135 pounds), Nemeckay (won by pin at 140 pounds) and Chauvin (won a 9-1 major decision at 145 pounds).

Center Line took advantage of its experience in the heavier weight classes, winning at 152, 160, 171, 189, 215 and 275 pounds.

"The loss hurts, but overall this team had a good season," Fooks said. "The guys wrestled against some of the best teams in the state, and came away with a lot of experience."

The Irish beat Warren Woods-Tower 48-22 in a semifinal match.

Hudson, Vasquez, Nantamby (160 pounds), and Sanders (215 pounds) won by pin, while Valgoi and Hughes won by void.

Nemeckay, Chauvin and Johnson (189 pounds) won by decision.

The Notre Dame wrestling team finished the season 23-19 overall.

Coming up for Hughes, Valgoi, Hudson, Vasquez, Nemeckay and Chauvin is a Division II individual regional tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Warren Woods-Tower High School.

The top four in each weight class advance to the state finals.

"It will be nice not having to travel too far for the regional," Fooks said. "The past few years we have had to travel into Oakland County and beyond for our regional tournament."

Basketball

Notre Dame's basketball team was up against a juggernaut, Detroit St. Martin dePorres, in last weekend's Catholic League Central/Double-A Division quarterfinal playoff game at Caliban Hall.

"We have to prevent (Brandon) Cotton from taking off for more than 30 points," head coach Don Sicko said a week prior to the game. "We have to rebound and play good defense in order to win."

The Fightin' Irish lost 70-39 to the Eagles, while Pontiac Notre Dame Prep upset Redford Catholic Central 74-69; Orchard Lake St. Mary crushed Warren De La Salle 71-49; and U-D Jesuit defeated Dearborn Divine Child 43-23.

The Notre Dame basketball team slipped to 9-8 overall.

Hockey

The Notre Dame hockey team had no problem disposing of East China in last weekend's Michigan Prep Hockey League (MPHL) cross-over game, winning 7-1.

"East China is a first-year program with a lot of underclassmen," head coach Kevin McKay said. "All of our lines contributed, and our younger guys had an opportunity to play a lot of minutes."

The Fightin' Irish beat East China 9-0 earlier in the year, dominating the Lightning.

It was another case of domination as the Irish outshot their foe 35-11.

Senior Brandon Forth opened the scoring with a power play goal 2:22 into the first period, assisted by seniors Pat Irwin and Steve Simon.

Forth nearly got his second goal a little more than two minutes later, but his

shot from the top of the point was redirected by junior Karl Hiedemann. Simon also drew an assist.

Junior Ed Carey scored an unassisted goal with 4:26 left in the period to give the Irish a comfortable 3-0 lead.

They outshot East China 16-4 and were 1-1 on the power play, while the Lightning was 0-1.

In the second period, senior Jason Vitella (power play), senior Chris Anderson and Forth tallied, making it 6-0.

Irwin scored the Irish's final goal early in the third period, and East China finally ended its scoring drought midway through the stanza, getting a rebound by senior goalkeeper Dave Murray.

The Notre Dame hockey team improved to 7-3 in the MPHL and 15-7 overall.

Upcoming for the Fightin' Irish is their season finale on Thursday, Feb. 20, against Riverview Gabriel Richard, followed by a Division III regional first-round game on Tuesday, Feb. 25, against Birmingham.

Detroit Country Day, at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

The Fightin' Irish lost twice to Country Day during the regular season, falling 2-1 and 5-1.

"It's tough to beat a team three times in one year, which we have going in our favor," McKay said. "We're looking forward to the regionals."

If Notre Dame beats Country Day, it faces either University Liggett School or Madison Heights Lamphere in a semifinal.

The other first-round games are Cranbrook Kingswood vs. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep and Orchard Lake St. Mary vs. Waterford Lakes.

The host Cranbrook Kingswood Cranes, ranked No. 1 in Division III and the defending state champ, is the team to beat.

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Assists: Roberts 2, Livingston (Patriots); Capp, Josh Johnston (Raptors).
Comments: The Patriots, who played with only seven players, led 4-1 at the end of two periods. The Raptors tied the game with two goals in the last four minutes of the third period. Goalies Jeff Graves of the Patriots and Francesca Santi of the Raptors each had strong games.

Patriots 5, Red Hawks 2
Goals: T.J. Livingston 3, Steven Sudney 2 (Patriots); Henry Nelson, Matt Slavik (Red Hawks).
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Comments: The Patriots scored three goals in the first period and

Assists: Tyler Vens 4, Gatzaros 2, Tim Kellett 2, Sudney 2, Jeff Graves (Patriots); S. Beistor, Alex Krebs (Jr. Bulldogs).
Comments: The Patriots scored three goals each in the first and third periods to break open a close, hard-fought game. Dan French had a strong game in goal for the Patriots. Krebs and Patrick Sattlemeyer each had outstanding games for the Junior Bulldogs.

Patriots 3, Raptors 0
Goals: Steven Sudney 2, T.J. Livingston (Patriots).
Assist: Sudney (Patriots).
Comments: The Patriots scored twice in the second period and added an empty-net goal with 47 seconds left in the game. Dan French recorded the shutout in goal. Jeff Graves and Christian Vervaeke had strong defensive games for the Patriots, while teammates Tripp Damman and Jonathan Roberts turned in solid two-way performances. Mitchell Capp and Mitchell Makos played well for the Raptors.

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Justin Graves scores one of his two goals against Allen Park last week, but it wasn't enough to save Grosse Pointe South from a 6-3 loss to the Jaguars.

Loss is a wake-up call for Blue Devils

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's hockey team answered the wake-up call it got earlier last week.

After losing 6-3 to Allen Park in a Michigan Metro High School Hockey League game, the Blue Devils bounced back with a 6-1 league win over Riverview Gabriel Richard last Saturday.

"I think everybody was unhappy with our loss to Allen Park because the next two days at practice, they worked a lot harder, and with a lot more intensity," said coach Bob Bopp.

"That carried over into the Richard game."

South stunned the Pioneers with two goals in the first three minutes of the game.

Taylor Morawski opened the scoring at 1:54, assisted by Rob Porter and Justin Graves. Fifty-eight seconds later, Brian Gatliff made it 2-0 with Pat Lalliviere picking up the only assist.

Richard came back with a goal at 3:22, but South boosted its lead to 3-1 with 1:36 left in the first period. Graves got the goal with linemates Porter and Morawski assisting.

"That line has been playing some great hockey," Bopp said. "It's a very explosive line."

Graves missed nearly a month of the season with a broken thumb and is just now getting back into game shape.

"Skating in practice is a lot different from playing in a game where everything is much faster," Bopp said. "I think he's finally back in game shape after his injury. It's great to see Justin playing great hockey and scoring goals."

Graves' goal gave him three in the two games last week.

South continued to control the play in the second period, but Joey Parke scored

the only goal of the period at 3:45, assisted by Anthony Swancoat and Nick Andrew.

The third period was more of the same for South.

"Richard is a good team, but we were clearly at our best in this game," Bopp said.

At 7:33 of the third period, Porter intercepted a poor breakout pass during a Richard power play and scored an unassisted short-handed goal.

About 2 1/2 minutes later, freshman Tom MacEachern capped the South scoring. Tim Vandenboom and Porter got the assists.

"Tom has worked hard all year waiting for a chance to play, and when he does, he makes the most of his ice time," Bopp said.

Greg Smith was in goal for South and made several excellent saves.

The Blue Devils' loss to Allen Park was disappointing because South had a 2-0 lead early in the second period on a pair of goals by Graves.

Porter and Morawski assisted on Graves' goal at 9:52 of the first period, and Morawski and Jordan Winfield got the assists on his second goal at 2:16 of the second period.

The Jaguars then scored four unanswered goals to go up 4-2 at 1:35 of the third period. Allen Park's first goal came just as a South penalty expired at 8:46 of the second period.

"It was all downhill for us from there," Bopp said.

Eleven seconds after Allen Park's fourth goal, Parke scored for South, assisted by Swancoat and Winfield.

"Parke gave us a little bit of a lift, but we gave it right back," Bopp said.

Allen Park scored at 2:20 of the third period and wrapped up the scoring at 10:55.

"It was disappointing to have such a good start and then not play well," Bopp said.

North getting ready for state playoff run

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The most important part of Grosse Pointe North's hockey season is on the horizon, and the Norsemen look as if they're primed and ready for it.

"We've been playing real sound hockey for the last three weeks," said coach Scott Lock after North split a pair of games last week.

"We're hoping that it continues through this week and when the playoffs start next week."

North has won the state Division II championship in each of the last two seasons. The Norsemen are 10-7-5 with a week to go in the regular season, but the record is somewhat misleading.

All but two of the defeats have been by two goals or fewer.

"We lost our opener 6-1 to Port Huron Northern, and CC (Catholic Central) beat us by three goals, but it was really closer than that," Lock said.

"Everything else has been one or two goals. Our wins have been close, too."

The experience of playing

under pressure should help the Norsemen when they start to defend their championship on Tuesday against Berkley at City Arena.

If North beats Berkley, it'll play Grosse Pointe South on Feb. 27.

Last week, North's penalty killing units got plenty of work. The 3-2 non-league victory over Livonia Stevenson and the 4-3 loss to University of Detroit Jesuit in a Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League were both marred by numerous penalties.

Against Stevenson, the Norsemen did an effective job of killing off a penalty in the final minute after the Spartans had pulled their goalie for an extra attacker.

North opened the scoring in the first period when Eric Dloski converted a nice pass from linemate Chris Ahee.

Stevenson came back with a pair of goals, but North's John Dallas tied the game at 2-2 late in the first period.

"Both of Stevenson's goals were kind of fluky," Lock said. "The first was a rebound on a power play. On the second one, the net was

knocked off — and after the ref admitted that it was off after he saw the replay."

North refused to get flustered, and the Norsemen broke the deadlock when sophomore Colin Brown scored his first goal of the season midway through the second period.

Brown scored on the rebound of Drew Davis's shot from the point.

"We played well defensively," Lock said. "And (goalie) Collin (Chase) made 24 saves. We had some chances, but their goalie played well."

In the U-D Jesuit game, North's Steve Debol scored 15 seconds into the contest. It was Debol's first goal of the season.

The Cubs came back with a pair of goals. On the first, U-D took advantage of a defensive lapse by the North defense and a Cubs player skated in alone on Chase. The second was a deflection that got past Chase.

"It wasn't a good period, but it wasn't a bad one," Lock said.

In the second period, U-D Jesuit had three two-man

advantages. North managed to kill off two of them, and on one, Patrick Hogan scored a shorthanded goal to tie the game at 2-2.

The Cubs regained the lead while they had a two-man advantage.

North dominated the start of the third period and tied the game again on a goal by Bobby Searfone, who was set up on a good play by Tony Mendez.

U-D Jesuit scored the game winner with about 3 1/2 minutes remaining in the period.

North had some chances, including a power play after Chase was removed for an extra attacker, but the Norsemen couldn't get the equalizer.

"We had chances to go ahead, but both goalies played well," Lock said. "The kids didn't quit. They worked hard right to the end. U-D's a good team. We respect them and they deserved to win."

North closes out the regular season Saturday against St. Mary's of Toronto at the Mount Clemens Ice Arena.

ULS spikers have a successful week

University Liggett School's volleyball team recently completed a busy week, but it was also a successful one.

The Knights finished third in the Ann Arbor Greenhills Invitational, then posted Metro Conference victories over Hamtramck and Clarenceville.

ULS went into the Greenhills tournament shorthanded as the Knights were missing four of their 11 players because of illness.

ULS met Taylor Light and Life in its first match and won 15-7, 15-4.

"We started strong and never let up," said coach Greg Corbin. "Our serving was hot and our defense was up for the task."

Alex Lebeta nailed 13 service points, including two aces. Lizzy Campbell served six points and Dawn Espy and Meghan Doletzky scored five apiece.

A tight defensive battle with Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard was won at the net by the Knights, who came away with a 15-13, 15-8 victory.

Doletzky and Melissa Kruszyna combined for 31 blocks, 13 kills and 26 hits. Espy served nine points, including three aces, and Tara Usakoski had six points, including the winning ace in game two.

Campbell and Liz Heenan also had six points apiece.

"Everyone scored points as we were able to keep the ball moving and in their court," Corbin said.

ULS earned a split with eventual champion Southfield Christian. The Knights won the first game 15-10, but lost the second 15-0.

"We kept up the pressure in the first game with great serving and excellent defense at the net," Corbin said. "Our blocks, hits and backcourt saves and digs were some of the best of the

week."

It was a different story in the second game.

"Our serves deserted us," Corbin said. "Combined with a Southfield Christian attack that seemed to be very successful at finding all the spots that we were not covering, we were left reeling and rocking on our heels."

The struggle continued in the first game of the semifinals against the host Greenhills squad. ULS fell behind early and lost 15-6.

In the second game, the Knights put it together for a 15-11 victory.

"Our defense stepped up and surprised Greenhills as we finally found our serves, played with consistency and played offense with authority," Corbin said.

In the third game, one of Greenhills' servers got into a groove and scored 10 straight points in a 15-8 victory.

ULS tied for first in pool play and the Knights were the second seed with the point differential tiebreaker.

"With our totals for the day, we ended in third place for the tournament and we were the only ones to beat Southfield Christian," Corbin said. "Not bad for a team four players short. I had the utmost confidence in their ability to play, but they stepped up even more than I expected or could have hoped. They were as proud as I was."

Corbin hoped that the Knights would show more consistency when they returned to league action against Hamtramck.

"We had been an up and down team since the season started," he said. "One match we would step up and take charge above and beyond our expectations, and the next play as if we are on our learners' permits. I hoped this match would be the one to show that the Greenhills tourney was no

fluke, rather what we were really made of."

ULS started slowly in the first game and lost 15-10 when the Cosmos scored the last five points. The Knights bounced back to win the next two games 15-4, 15-9.

"In game two we came back firing on all cylinders — net play, backcourt serve receives, and relentless offense," Corbin said.

It was much of the same in the third game.

"We kept Hamtramck backing up and reeling from the shock waves of our heavy hitting and kills," Corbin said.

ULS closed out the week with a 15-9, 15-7 win over Clarenceville.

"I told our players this would be our turning point," Corbin said. "We needed to keep individual levels of play at its peak."

Corbin was pleased with how the Knights responded.

"Keeping Clarenceville off the net and backing them up in their backcourt was our goal," he said. "All our players put it together with great individual and team offense, defense and serving."

"I was very proud of our team's performance this week. Every player took it upon herself to step up in all

areas. It was a tough week with a lot of intense volleyball."

Earlier, ULS lost 8-15, 15-10, 15-8 to Cranbrook Kingswood and dropped a 15-2, 15-6 decision to Lutheran Westland.

Against Cranbrook, the Knights looked strong in the first game. The front line hitters — Doletzky, Kruszyna, Heenan and Chrissie Keersmackers — kept the Cranes backing up.

ULS was inconsistent with its serving except for Keersmackers, who had seven points with two aces.

Doletzky, Kruszyna, Heenan and Keersmackers combined for 31 hits, 26 kills, 14 blocks and nine saves. The backcourt of Espy, Usakoski, Campbell and Anne Dilorotto combined for 21 digs, 11 saves, 13 backcourt hits and two kills.

Nothing much went right against Westland.

"We simply did not show up to play volleyball," Corbin said. "We were down three players and had to use girls in unfamiliar positions to fill in. Even though we were shorthanded, I feel we left our game at home. No serves, no defense and no offensive punch made for a long ride home."

Norsemen bounce back

Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team bounced back from a 5-2 loss to Grosse Pointe South with a pair of back-to-back victories in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

The Norsemen allowed only four shots on goal in a 5-1 victory over University Liggett School.

North was also dominant in a 5-2 victory over Port Huron in which the Norsemen had a 42-21 edge in shots.

"We didn't feel that we played all that well either night, but it was good enough to win," said North

coach Tim Van Eckoute.

North, which is 14-4-1 in league play and 15-6-1 overall, is idle until Wednesday, Feb. 26, when it hosts Cranbrook Kingswood at Viking Arena in Hazel Park. Game time is 6 p.m.

The Norsemen are in a battle for third place in the league.

"The break will do us some good before playoffs," Van Eckoute said. "The kids need a rest to get healthy. We've been sick almost the whole month of February."

"We have one game left. If we win, we get third. If not, we don't. It's up to us."

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Swim

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second and teammate Dan Kastner was third in diving.

Before the season started, Romeo was a heavy favorite to win the MAC Red, but that was before South's freshmen and sophomores came along to provide the Blue Devils with the depth that has been so important to their success.

"Romeo lost hardly anybody from last year, and we graduated a lot of seniors, but our young kids have really come on," Thompson said. "Romeo's coach said to me, 'where did you get those guys? You must just reload.'"

The Blue Devils will try to make it a clean sweep of

league honors this weekend in the conference meet at Fraser. The finals are scheduled for noon on Saturday.

"The Romeo meet came at a good time for us," Thompson said. "It was a good trial run for the league meet. It gave the young kids an idea of how to approach a big meet."

Last weekend, South took seven swimmers to the annual Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet at Eastern Michigan University.

The Blue Devils' delegation of Casey Browning, Dunaway, Jenzen, Richard, Richardson-Rossbach, Stevens and Spurr had a

successful day that started with a second-place finish in the 200 medley relay.

The team of Richardson-Rossbach, Stevens, Richard and Jenzen posted a state-cut time of 1:40.75. Each of the four team members dropped at least half a second off his previous best time.

The 200 freestyle relay team of Richard, Dunaway, Stevens and Jenzen finished fifth with a season-best time of 1:30.88.

The 400 freestyle relay team of Jenzen, Casey Browning, Richardson-Rossbach and Spurr missed a state cut by .04 with a time of 3:25.43.

Jenzen was fourth in the

50 freestyle with a time of 22.20. Richard also qualified for the event and had a time of 23.13.

Richardson-Rossbach was 10th in the 100 backstroke, missing a state cut by .07 with a 57.16. Browning, a freshman, had a time of 58.97.

Browning and Spurr began the day as first alternates in the 200 and 500 freestyle races, respectively. Both got a chance to swim as a result of scratches. Browning swam the 200 in 1:51.86 to move into 18th place. Spurr had a personal best of 5:02.16 in the 500 to finish 17th.

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NOVENA to St. Jude

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and praised throughout the world, now and forever. Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. Weaker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, patron of the hopeless, pray for us. In this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail, never. Publication must be promised. Thanks, St. Jude for prayers answered. Special thanks to our Mother Of Perpetual Help A.F.

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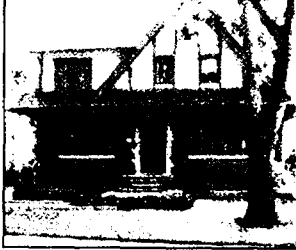
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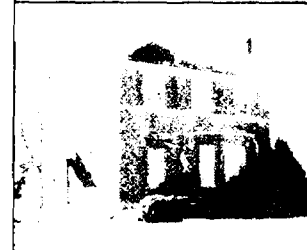
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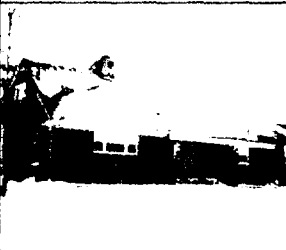
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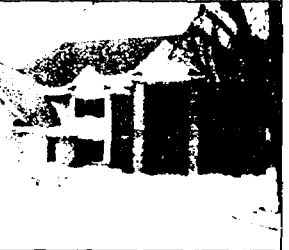
Relax on the wonderful veranda while enjoying the quite of approximately 2.75 rolling wooded acres. Four bedrooms including a huge master suite with sitting area and fireplace. Pool and three and one-half car garage. \$739,000 GP54GR 313-886-5040

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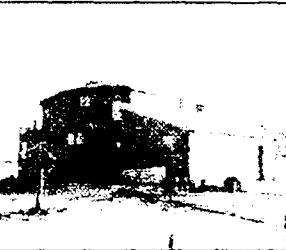
Perfect four bedroom, three bath, 1999 Colonial with excellent views of Cass Lake. Library, living room with wet bar and natural fireplace, and family room with gas fireplace. Master with two large closets and more. \$629,000 BH23SE 248-642-8100

CONTEMPORARY HOME



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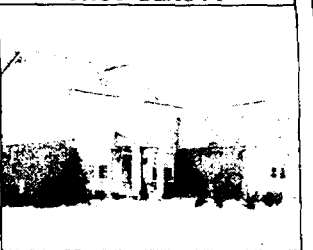
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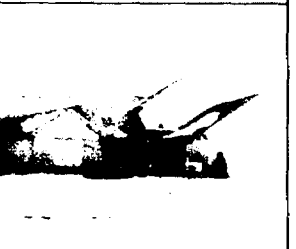
Bloomfield Township renovated home with pool and tennis courts. Open floor plan, newer kitchen, in-law suite and walk-out lower level. Lots of granite and marble, wood floors and newer deck overlooking pool. \$699,000 BH53FR 248-642-8100

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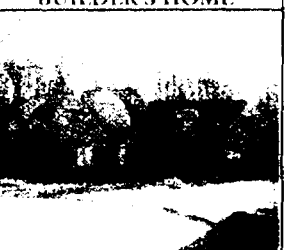
Remarkable sprawling ranch on approx. ten acres. Features include hardwood floors, large kitchen with island and built-in appliances, massive master with sauna, formal dining room, skylights. Great Room pool. \$429,900 ST16ME 586-939-2800

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