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INSIDE

■ Seven teenagers from the Grosse Pointes were cited last week for making drug runs to a dope house on Detroit's eastside. Page 11A

■ A man suspected in robbing and beating a woman in her driveway in the 500 block of University in the City of Grosse Pointe last October is expected to be arraigned in the Grosse Pointe Municipal Court today, Thursday. Page 11A

■ Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team defeated three opponents last weekend to win the Class A district championship at Grosse Pointe South. South was the only team to force the Norsemen to play a third game. Page 1C

WEEK AHEAD

Friday, March 7

Girls Just Want to Have Fun — an evening of fabulous shopping, food and fun, sponsored by the Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center — begins at 6 p.m. at the Assumption Greek Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores.

Proceeds from the event benefit the NEGC Motor City Club House program for severely mentally ill adults.

Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Women must be 21 or over to attend. For tickets and information, call (313) 881-1556.

The Foundation for Exceptional Children holds its 26th Annual Benefit Party at the Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper, in St. Clair Shores at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 per person or \$250 per table of 10. For tickets and more information, call (313) 885-8660.

Sunday, March 9

The Grosse Pointe Hunt Club holds a ribbon-cutting and reception for the opening of its new barn at 2 p.m.

The event is open to the public. For more information, call (313) 884-9090.

Monday, March 10

The Grosse Pointe Park City Council meets in the Grosse Pointe Park City Hall at 7 p.m.

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

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets in the Wicking Library of Grosse Pointe South High School at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11

Dr. Curtis Ivery, chancellor of the Wayne County Community College District, will be the featured speaker of the meeting of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The meeting begins with a lunch at 11 a.m. For more information, call (313) 881-5592.

Thursday, March 13

Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Ronald Kneiser holds an open office to meet with residents between 8:30 and 10 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe Farms City Hall.

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Rounding the Cape

Tim Kent, who grew up in the Grosse Pointes, rounded Cape Horn at the tip of South America on Sunday headed for Salvador, Brazil, second in his class in the field of 12 solo racers.

Kent's 50-foot ocean racer tells the story in its name — Everest Horizontal. See Ben Burns' FYI column on page 7A for more on this exciting adventure. (Makes you long for summer, though!)

HW bond fails by 25 votes

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Harper Woods voters decided against the bond issue calling for the building of two new schools in the district. Seven hundred and six residents voted against the issue while 25 less, or 681, voted for it. Twenty-two percent of voters in the district turned out for the vote.

"It was the right thing to do this morning. It's the right thing to do tomorrow," Superintendent Dan Danosky told a crowd of many somber supporters gathered at Harper Woods Secondary School to hear the outcome of the vote.

If it had passed, the bond would have paid for the razing of Beacon Elementary School and Harper Woods Secondary School. Beacon and Tyrone Elementary would have been combined into one new school, and the Secondary School would have been housed in a fresh school as well.

According to district calculations, the bond would have cost \$260 per year for 30 years for the average household, or approximately \$31 after deductions.

"It was a step into the 21st century," Mayor Ken Poynter said of the issue. "Our kids have been short-changed. What people are failing to realize is that while some of us will be paying higher taxes, our property values will rise."

By law, the district has to wait 70 days before it can present the issue again to voters, Danosky said. If there is another election in June, the breaking of the ground for new buildings will occur six months after that in the winter. The board will be meeting to discuss how to proceed with the issue, Danosky said.

Many felt resolved to get district residents to vote yes in the future.

"Our kids deserve nothing less than

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North presents 'Hello, Dolly!'

Grosse Pointe North High School's spring musical, "Hello, Dolly!" will be performed on Thursday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8, at 8 p.m.

All performances will be held at the Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are \$12 on the main floor and \$10 for the balcony and may be purchased at North's school office or Wild Birds Unlimited.

Pictured, from left, are waiters Peter Kasprzycki, Ben Gardner, Allan Fullerton, Drew Blohm, Dante Bufalini, Scott Nixon, Ross Gardner, Eric Rey, Jake Masinick, Nick Pohl, Peter Wilton, Richard Thoma and Andrea Caralis. Pictured in the center as Dolly is Jennifer Trombley.

Woods planners deny library; appeal expected

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Frustrated library officials demanded a decision be made last week on their request to build a new branch at Vernier and Mack.

Challenged to rule on the matter, the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission denied the request. Planners based the denial on recommendations by city administrators.

Library officials forced the vote to move the issue forward via appeal to the city council.

"It's important for us to move to the next level," said James Fausone, library attorney.

Reasons for the denial included minutia, such as a proposed row of yews being six inches too tall and the library not being able to "ensure that special events do not take place on the same evening" as those at the middle school.

But the core issue was whether the library board would own or lease land at Mack and Vernier on which it wants to construct the \$8.3 million, 25,500-square-foot building.

"If it is a transfer (sale), it involves a lot of split. Therefore, you'd have to have a public hearing," said Don Berschback, Woods attorney.

Both sides cited the other for prolonging a process the library brought to the city's attention in December 2000.

John Bruce, head of the library board, was under the impression that questions about lease vs. ownership were to be settled at a later date.

"As early as September 2002, we had reached an agreement with the Woods that it (ownership) would be resolved once the planning commission gave approval," Bruce said. "It's only now that we were made aware of this being an issue that would be a barrier to this moving forward."

Berschback remembered the meeting.

"At that time they said, 'We'll give you a new agreement from a transfer to a non-transfer (lease).'"

Bruce said the wait-and-see agreement provided flexibility for everyone. It allowed Woods administrators to review design proposals while letting the library board fine-tune site plans to accommodate the city's specific needs.

"We could not describe the specific piece of property the library was going to sit on until we received Grosse Pointe Woods' approval for setback, size of the building and if we could meet parking requirements," Bruce said.

Fausone, the library's attorney, said, "There was an understanding among all of the attorneys working for the city, library and school that (the ownership/lease) issue would be resolved at the end, that (ownership) would be converted to a lease arrangement if that's what the city wanted. I don't think there was any mystery about that. It's just being used as an excuse at this point to try to deflect what the planning commission and administration did here."

Bruce said, "The library board will take some responsibility for that issue having caused so much confusion to the Grosse Pointe Woods planning commission. We will work to rectify it."

School officials, facing school crowding, have asked the library to relinquish the space used by the Grosse Pointe Park and Woods branches.

In Grosse Pointe Park, a new branch was approved four months ago and will likely break ground in May.

In the Woods, Bruce said 27 different design schemes have been discussed with city representatives but have not generated concrete responses.

Library advocates are getting short tempers.

"Regarding modifications to plans submitted, there have been suggestions (offered by city officials), considerations, ideas and things to look at," Fausone said. "There have not been comments tied to specific provisions in ordinances or specifics we can change, and

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Jill Stelma

Home: Grosse Pointe Park

Age: 18

Family: Parents, James and Catherine; sister, Allison, 24; brother, Jimmy, 21

Claim to fame: Plays professional football with the Detroit Blaze

Quote: "If you are really into something, and your heart is there, you can do anything."

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Jill Stelma

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The battle against the spread of Dutch elm disease will continue in the Pointes again this year.

All local municipalities agree to make another contribution toward the cost of carrying on the extensive campaign which was launched last year.

There are approximately 34,474 elm trees in the Pointes and Harper Woods, according to a state survey last summer.

■ The Grosse Pointe Garden Center board of directors pass a resolution favoring composting garbage rather than burning it.

The action comes in connection with an offer by private interests to erect a composting and incineration plant to handle all refuse from the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

■ PFC Arthur Fettig, Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms is coming home after 17 months with the Army in the Far East.

During his deployment, Fettig fought on the front lines in Korea, earning the Combat Infantry Badge and Purple Heart for wounds received in action.

25 years ago this week

■ Concern remains over the energy crisis. Local officials and merchants continue making conservation preparations in light of the recent coal strike and Gov. William Milliken's request to reduce electrical usage.

■ The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Youth Council will hold its fifth annual "Battle of the Bands" on March 12.

Six bands have been chosen to compete, based on auditions that took place over the last two months: Fergus Kennedy's Purple Haze, Jeff Eickmann's band Fugitive, Bill Miller's band Fallout, Terry Hopman's band Eternity, Jim Junker's Voyager and Ricky Lamore's band Grit Kids.

■ The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe writes President Carter asking him to take a "long look" at his fiscal policy.

Reasons for the letter include:

- the shrinking value of the U.S. dollar,
- growing federal debt,
- the Treasury Department's continued sale of notes and bonds,

- a proposal to raise the ceiling on the national debt and
- spiraling inflation.

10 years ago this week

■ Andrew Richner sees his role on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners as "the stick in the spokes of a wheel."

Richner, a former Grosse Pointe Park councilman serving his first term on the commission, says his goal with the county is to slow the growth of government and, he hopes, downsize it.

■ A proposal by Archbishop Adam Maida opens the door to survival for the all-girls Our Lady Star of the Sea High School in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Maida acts upon a recommendation to change the school's status from a parish school to a regional school governed by a board of directors.

■ An estimated 300 parents meet at Grosse Pointe South High School to discuss the problem of teenage drinking.

At the parents' request, reporters and television crews are barred from the invitation-only gathering with school officials.

"People were getting nervous over how the media was taking the issue and blowing it out of proportion and seeing it on the front page of the newspaper," said Ed Shine, school superintendent.

5 years ago this week

■ The recent outbreak of flu in metropolitan Detroit hits Grosse Pointe residents hard and local hospitals harder.

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital fills to capacity, and St. John Hospital reaches 95 percent capacity, according to hospital representatives.

■ Josephine Ford of Grosse Pointe donates \$10 million to the Henry Ford Health System cancer center. In recognition of her generosity, the center is named the Josephine Ford Cancer Center.

■ The Blue Devils' girls hockey team of Grosse Pointe South High School is three games away from a perfect regular season record.

The team improves to 15-0 overall with a 7-2 victory over Bloomfield Hills.

— Brad Lindberg

25 years ago this week



It's Girl Scout cookie time

When Mrs. Charles Witzke, of the City of Grosse Pointe, packs her daughter's lunch box, she's sure to include some fresh Girl Scout cookies which is not surprising since she is the area manager for the Girls Scouts of Metropolitan Detroit's annual cookie sale. The sale opened Feb. 25 and continues through March 5. Smacking their lips in anticipation of a treat are Girl Scouts Julie Witzke, left, 10, of Junior Troop 940, and 8-year-old Jennifer Smith, of Brownie Troop 2226. Both girls attend Richard Elementary School. Photo from the Girl Scouts of Metropolitan Detroit. From the March 2, 1978 Grosse Pointe News.)

Library

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know that by making a modification we've met the city's specific requirements. We can't continue to modify plans or change ideas every time somebody has another suggestion."

For example: Although libraries are non-commercial structures, and therefore must conform to 75-foot setbacks (which the proposed branch doesn't do and will require a variance), Woods officials have endorsed a consultant's recommendation that the library architecture conform to the city's storefront guidebook.

"The storefront design guidebook is not applicable to our proposed use," Fausone said. "We're back to the problem of not being able to determine what changes need to be made on an architectural level. We've not received specific enough suggestions to be able to make the modifications to get approval recommendations from (city) administration."

• City officials on Feb. 14 requested the library to submit a "legible lighting plan."

The library responded, "We see no reason to resubmit this drawing, which was accepted by the (Woods) administration twice (Jan. 22 and Feb. 5). Please note the zoning ordinance does not require a lighting analysis. This was done as a courtesy to the city administration."

• City officials want the library to "detail the operation of the access control gates," referring to when the parking lots gates will be open or closed.

"I have concerns about

mandating times and dates when the safety arm for traffic is up or down," said Christian Fenton, the school district's assistant superintendent of business affairs.

"Quite frankly," Fenton said, "I'm surprised at some of the comments tonight. I don't know if these are suggestions, recommendations, ideas (or) these are mandates. I'm not sure what the next step is you folks need."

He added, "Before I'm willing to go back to the (school) board I need some concrete ideas. The library needs to know what we need to do. I thought we had some of that worked out already in our discussions with administration."

• City officials are concerned about increased traffic.

The library's traffic consultant, Tappan Datta of

Goodell-Grivas Inc., has attended planning commission meetings but never been asked to present a recent traffic study of the library area.

"There is no traffic problem which cannot be mitigated," said Datta, who has consulted on numerous traffic projects throughout the Pointes. "I had recommended a mitigation process. Unfortunately, I've never been given an opportunity to present my study."

Speaking in general, Fenton said, "I think we can sit down and come to an agreement on some of these issues. It's in everybody's best interests — the city's, ours and the school's. I am amazed this hasn't happened yet."

"You're not the only one," called out someone attending the commission hearing.

Bond

From page 1A

the best," said Secondary School art teacher Jelane Meehan. "We certainly need to pass this the second time around. I'm confident we will."

"I'm extremely disappointed. I will have new schools," said Margaret Wagner, co-chair of Our Kids, Our Future, the advisory committee supporting the bond proposal.

She added that the children are the community's future — the next leaders in every facet of the city's life.

"If you don't invest in them now, they won't invest in you later," she said.

"We badly need new schools. This community has always supported the

schools, and we'll do it again," said school board president Jim Dennis. "It's just our job to get 25 more people out next time."

Danosky stuck to his conviction that renovating the existing buildings is not a viable option.

"Putting a lot of money into these buildings is not the right thing to do," he said. "We have to go after it again."

"I'm disappointed that it failed," said Harper Woods resident Russ Velardo. "It's like a used car. You need to buy a new car."

Wagner stressed how the outcome shows the significance of voting.

"That's the whole thing about democracy," she said. "Your vote counts."

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Glasnost: Harper-Allard turn sign comes down

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A sign that signaled a border war may have already been put to rest.

Grosse Pointe Woods city council members Monday decided to take down a "No right turn" sign from Harper to Allard Avenue.

The sign had been posted two months ago in response to a few Allard residents who complained of high traffic and speeding. Many com-

muters use Allard from posted exits off the east- and westbound I-94 expressway.

The turning ban made it harder for Allard residents to get home.

"I don't take a hassle trying to reach my home at the end of a long workday," said resident and sign opponent Diana Kay-Johnson.

"Since the installation, the public safety department has received several complaints from residents

about the inconvenience the sign is causing them," said Mike Makowski, public safety director.

The ban pushed drivers to other streets, where property owners didn't like the surge in traffic.

"They need to take down the signs prohibiting a right hand turn," said Dennis Hickey of nearby Stanhope. "Rather than all this Mickey Mouse stuff (by city officials), they should have the

state remove those exits from the expressway. All they're doing is funneling people into a traffic enforcement zone."

The ban also sent drivers onto residential streets in Harper Woods.

"The addition of this signage exacerbated an already poor situation," wrote Harper Woods City Manager Jim Leidlein to his counterpart in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Harper Woods officials retaliated by enforcing numerous "No right turn" signs of their own. The result was widespread inconvenience and nearly 80 traffic tickets issued to Grosse Pointe Woods offenders.

"As a goodwill gesture, we are holding those tickets in

abeyance pending your reconsideration of the new signage at Allard," Leidlein wrote.

A recent pole of Allard residents gave no direction. Of 101 homeowners, 52 favored a turning ban, while 49 opposed.

Although Grosse Pointe Woods' sign was to have come down Tuesday, Makowski will keep his eyes on Allard. His officers will randomly monitor traffic and set up an automatic speed monitoring trailer to slow drivers.

Sign opponents chided Allard residents who moved onto an easy-access street and then started complaining about traffic.

The freeway was built 40 years ago.

"Face it, some problems

have no answers short of more problems," wrote Allard resident Steve Larue in response to the survey.

Another resident wrote, "If people didn't want the traffic, they shouldn't have bought a house on an exit-ramp street."

Dorothy Trask moved onto Allard 30 years ago. She commuted to work five days a week. Allard provided easy access to the expressway. Now retired, she's changed her mind and wants to eliminate access from Harper to Allard.

"Make Allard one-way out," Trask said. "Make Stanhope one-way in."

She thought for a moment, "Then, of course, people on Stanhope would gripe."

Farms to consider 'Bigfoot' ordinance for new homes

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms is arming itself against big and bulky invaders in its neighborhoods.

On Monday, March 10, the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council will hold a public hearing on a proposed anti-"Bigfoot" ordinance.

"We're trying to tweak some of the things we've seen," said Councilman and Zoning

Ordinance Committee Chairman Louis Theros, as he alluded to a few recent developments which neighbors feel impede on the relative scale of their neighborhoods.

Going beyond the stan-

dards for lot coverage, the amended building ordinance provides limits for density of buildings.

The highlight of the amended ordinance includes expanding side yard setbacks for taller homes. Side yard setbacks would be increased one foot for every additional foot over 25 feet on the side of the house, allowing for more blue sky between the houses.

Provisions for garages also feature prominently in the amended ordinance. The maximum heights of garages and accessory structures will be increased from 14 to 15 feet and shall be measured at the highest

point, and not the mid point of the building. Houses built in R-1-AAA and R-1-AA districts must have at least a two-car garage, and may not have more than four bays. Second garages will not be permitted. Houses built in R-1-A and R-1 districts must have at least a one-car garage.

The council may take action to pass the amended ordinance after the March 10 public hearing.

"We've talked to three builders who do a considerable amount of business here," Theros said. "They said the changes would not affect them."

City officials, administrators begin work on master plan

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

City of Grosse Pointe leaders and administrators will be hitting the ground running to implement a new city master plan.

The process for developing the plan was unveiled at the city council's Monday, Feb. 24, meeting.

John Jackson of McKenna Associates, an urban planning consulting firm hired by the City, asked the council and administrators to meet on Tuesday, March 4, for the first of several monthly workshops to get a general idea of what the council and other stake-

holders want for the city. A town meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 20.

McKenna Associates will also be working with national market analysts, the Strategic Edge, to find out what kinds of retail uses are supportable in the Village and in other commercial areas.

While much of the master plan will focus on the Village, other issues such as land use, transportation, community facilities and amenities, and residential areas will also be covered.

Councilman Larry Dowers strongly suggested that the council and admin-

istrators give special attention to parking concerns as well.

Jackson said the driving force in getting off to a quick start is that the City has until April to spend \$45,800 in Community Development Block Grant funds allocated for redevelopment.

Jackson said the process should take about one to two years. While most of the work will be completed by July, he said the City would need time to allow the county and surrounding cities to review and give input toward the plan.

The City last developed a master plan in 1976.

Preteen safety fair to be held at War Memorial on Tuesday

How well do you think you know your kids? What are they watching on TV? Do you wonder what they're doing when they surf the Internet, or worse, what's being done to them? And video games — they're more graphic and violent than ever.

The Wayne County Community College District will address these issues for children in grades 6 through 8 and their parents at the Preteen Safety Fair at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Tuesday, March 11, from 3:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The fair will feature presentations on babysitting tips, video game violence and alcohol, drug and tobacco prevention. Local public safety departments will be on hand to offer information and to answer questions. In addition, the Wayne County Sheriff's Department will be on hand to address Internet safety with presentations at 5 and 6 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m., Dr. David Walsh, president of the National Institute on Media and the Family, will offer insight on the darker side of cyberspace and violent video games in a lecture titled "Raising MediaWise Kids: Safety in Cyberhood."

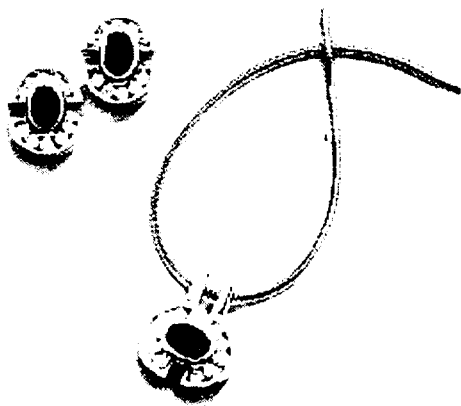
Walsh's presentation will address such topics as the glamorization of drinking, smoking and drug abuse on television, the positives and negatives of the Internet and how media affect school performance, literacy and

violent behavior.

Admission to the fair is free, but reservations for Walsh's presentation are

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Pointer makes history at South and in Detroit

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Last year, Jill Stelma made history at Grosse Pointe South High School by joining the school's football team with two other girls.

She is about to make history again, this time at the professional level.

Stelma will play with the Detroit Blaze this spring, the city's first professional women's football team.

"I love football," she said, proud to have accomplished a lifelong dream.

In the third grade, Stelma predicted her future by proclaiming, "I'm going to play football someday."

But as a female, the options are few in the male-dominated sport.

"There aren't a lot of opportunities for women to play football," she said.

Having played soccer, volleyball and softball throughout her youth, Stelma was always involved in sports but was determined to make her dream come true.

She joined South's team in 2001.

"I was really scared during the first tryouts," she said, "but I was so proud of myself to be there."

Stelma was chosen to play at the Varsity level, but she opted to join the junior varsity team to ensure more play time.

However, Stelma found that playing football at the

high school level wasn't all it was cracked up to be.

One of the negatives included facing a lot of opposition from the male members of the team.

"They hated me being there," she said. "One guy did everything he possibly could to get me to quit — including trying to break my wrist."

But this didn't stop Stelma from finishing the season.

"It made me stronger," she said.

This strength enabled Stelma to duke it out for a spot on Detroit's professional team last fall, a feat that is a source of pride to the 18-year-old.

As the youngest player on the Blaze, Stelma will compete against teams from New York, Chicago, Montreal, Rhode Island and Florida.

Wearing number 54, Stelma will play center and noseguard, and sometimes defensive tackle.

"It is such a great opportunity — it's something that I can actually be a pioneer at," she said. "I love football so much; so it's great to be able to be out there playing, instead of just watching it on the couch."

The Blaze will compete in their first game in the Independent Women's Football League on April 19 in Albany, NY.

POINTER OF INTEREST

"I'm really excited," she said of the upcoming game. "I'm a little nervous, but definitely not scared."

Meanwhile, Stelma still has her senior year of high school to worry about.

At South, she is the president of the Human Relations Club for the second year in a row.

"We promote tolerance and acceptance of diversity," she said of the club.

It is a sort of community

outreach program where activities include tutoring students in Detroit schools, organizing the school-wide Toys for Tots program, holding a party for underprivileged kids and putting together other service events.

"I like helping people," she said.

This desire to help others is apparent in the work she has done in the special education room at South.

Since her freshman year, Stelma has volunteered her time, working with five students who are autistic-impaired.

"I fell in love with the kids — they're so sweet and sincere," she said.

Stelma might continue her education at Eastern Michigan University, where she hopes to become a special education teacher.

And as if her schedule weren't full enough, Stelma is also an anti-war activist. She didn't miss the opportunity to attend the protests held a few weeks ago in

downtown Detroit.

"It is not a justified war," she said, adding that there is currently not enough proof to convince her that war is a necessity.

"We are putting our blood out there for oil," she said.

Stelma isn't afraid to stand up for herself or for others.

"I like people knowing what I believe in," she said.

In school, Stelma believes in helping others. On the field, she plays to win.

"If you are really into something, and your heart is there, you can do anything."

Ash borer stays ahead of the game

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The emerald ash borer will most likely continue to spread unless chemical controls are discovered and deployed.

On the other hand, attempts to thwart the spread by natural means will begin this spring in Grosse Pointe Park.

Members of the Grosse Pointe Audubon Society will join the Park's city forester to lure woodpeckers to Windmill Pointe Park. Woodpeckers have shown a taste for emerald ash borer.

"I wouldn't put a lot of hope on biological controls,"

said Deb McCullough, a forest entomologist at Michigan State University. "Natural enemies don't have a major impact on populations."

"As good as woodpeckers are, the insect has done damage to the tree before the birds get them," said Tim Flint, Michigan emerald ash borer response coordinator.

Among potential natural predators, McCullough said the clerid beetle has been detected hunting under ash bark for borer larvae.

"The clerid beetle is an incredible little predator — mean and vicious," said McCullough, who is determined to save the ash resource. "We'll be testing insecticides, soil injections, trunk injections and ways to trap the borer. In a year we'll know more. I'm still optimistic that we can contain this infestation."

Emerald ash borers are native to Asia, but sneaked into the United States about five years ago inside shipping crates or packing mate-

rial delivered to western Wayne County, Flint said. The insect has no natural predators outside its native habitat. The bugs have killed an estimated 300,000 ash trees in southeast Michigan, Flint said.

To slow the borer's spread, a quarantine exists on transporting ash products outside the following six counties: Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Livingston and Washtenaw.

Flint said complying with the quarantine is vital to stopping the spread of borers. But the insect beat the quarantine.

Last week, McCullough and a team of researchers discovered an infestation in rural Lenawee County, far outside the established containment zone.

"Somebody took infested firewood from Oakland County last spring, long before we knew about the emerald ash borer and put the wood in a pile next to a drainage ditch," McCullough said.

Nearly two dozen

researchers from MSU, Purdue, Ohio State University, Indiana and Michigan departments of natural resources, Michigan agriculture department and the U.S. Forest Service converged on the outbreak.

"It was a unique opportunity to see how far ash borers disperse, their egg-laying patterns and if they attack both large and small trees," McCullough said.

Data is still being collected, but preliminary analysis indicates a tough fight ahead.

"We were hoping beetles only laid eggs within 250 meters of the woodpile," McCullough said. Most did, but activity was found nearly a half-mile away.

"Adults are good fliers," McCullough said. They also disperse their eggs on numerous branches throughout trees, making eradication harder.

Seventy-four trees had to be cut down and burned within a half-mile radius of where the infected firewood had been dumped.

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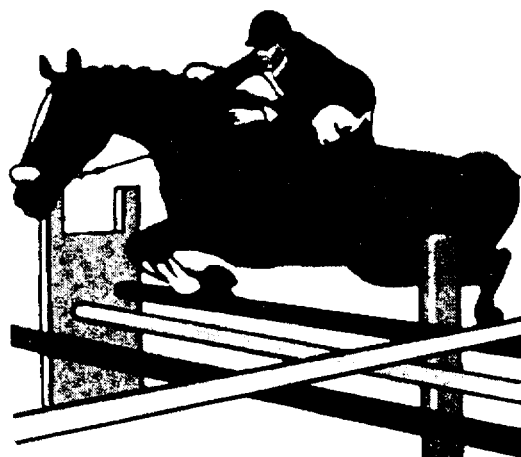
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Who'll take ownership of library?

Twenty-six months — that is how long library and Grosse Pointe Woods officials have been haggling over a new branch proposed for the corner of Vernier and Mack. In less time, the 16-acre World Trade Center site had been cleared, and a new, 1,776-foot-tall replacement building has been planned. Yet after two years of discussions, the plans for the new Woods branch were denied by the planning commission last week over unresolved issues. The disputed matter included minor details, such as planned evergreens six inches too tall and whether school functions would be held concurrently with library activities. (The latter issue is ironic in that the library and school have peacefully coexisted for half a century.) But one key issue that put the kibosh on the whole deal was that of confusion over who would own the

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land on which the library would be situated. Currently, the school district owns the land at Vernier and Mack that includes Parcels Middle School and the Woods library branch. The school district once ran the libraries but has since ceded control of the branches to the Grosse Pointe Public Library board. As Woods city officials and planners correctly point out, ownership is a key issue. If the library board were to buy the property, it would have to meet parking, setback and other conditions that would be impossible with the landlocked property. If the property were to continue to belong to the school district through a long-term lease, then perhaps the library could be built using existing parking, etc. But under whose ownership should

the city consider the request? Library officials believe the ownership issue was put on the back burner last September pending approval of site plans. They say the city agreed to shelve the library ownership issue and that bringing it up now is a dodge. Regardless, ownership became a valid reason for denying the library plans. In fact, one wonders if the library board had any standing for bringing the plans to the city in the first place. It would be like a renter bringing plans to add on to someone else's house. Shouldn't the landlord — in this case the school district — be the one seeking the required variances and site plan approval? In our lay opinion, the school district should keep possession of the land and lease it to the library board for 99 years. The school board should

then give the library board written authorization to act on its behalf in seeking site plan approval and variances. It seems to us that the library plan would not be easily workable if the library were to purchase the property. The land would be landlocked and without parking. As school-owned property, parking and setback requirements would not be as stringent. Concerns over open or closed library parking gates, library vs. school activities and traffic are really non-issues. As stated previously, the school and library have coexisted for half a century. Whatever compatibility problems there are must have been resolved decades ago. We urge the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council to quickly take up the library issue and approve the necessary variances and site plan subject to any conditions it sees fit, such as ownership, landscaping and so on. Then the ball is in the library's court to comply. Woods residents do make use of their library. We hope their city leaders and library officials can come to terms. But if not, it would not be too big a burden. It is not that far for Woods residents to drive to the Central Branch in the Farms.

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Editor's note: The following editorials were written by students in Kathy Heitman's language arts class at Parcels Middle School. More will be printed next week, space permitting.

More brain, more gain

By Max Hunt
Parcels Middle School
For teenagers to be legally leaving school at the age of 16 is like saying you want to quit life. If students want to be successful, they must go to high school, get good grades, then go to a college and get a degree. That's what successful people usually do to get ahead. If we want success and gain for the people, Michigan should definitely follow Gov. Granholm's plan to increase the age to legally drop out of school from 16 to 18. Granholm's aim is to increase the success of the people of Michigan, and what better way than through the schools. That's the only way we are ever going to get anywhere in life: by getting a degree in college. For some-

one to be able to leave school before ever getting past high school is absurd. I agree with Granholm; I suggest she raise the age to 20. Since there aren't too many high-paying jobs that don't require a degree, if you were to drop out of school at an early age, you would have nowhere to go but down. For example, in an article in the newspaper, I read about a man who dropped out of high school at the age of 17. His current occupation is being the trash collector at his local park. The same article featured a man who went to college at Princeton, stayed there for eight years, and got a major in medicine. So the next time you say you hate school, stop and think. I know I would rather be a doctor than a trash collector in the park, how about you?



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at HANDSP@kenyon.edu

Preppy private school attire

By Raquel Burchett
Parcels Middle School
Are uniforms the answer? This problem has caused conflict in public schools for awhile. Uniforms are an issue that must not be looked over but dealt with. Some say uniforms are ugly and not in style and are glad that they do not wear them. While others that wear uniforms say that clothing is the last thing on their mind in preparing for a day at school. Uniforms are an ongoing debate. Both sides hold strong cases. I think that public schools would not benefit

from uniforms. Uniforms take away from kids' freedom, not allowing self-expression. I believe uniforms would take away from kids' self-esteem because all students would look exactly alike. Uniforms do not have a place in public schools. Uniforms take away from kids and should not be permitted in public schools. Even though many public schools wear uniforms, when I think of public school, the picture in my mind is not of kids wearing uniforms. All uniforms do is "cover up" kids' true personalities, which is most important.

League urges work with United Nations

To the Editor:
The League of Women Voters urges President Bush to continue working with the United Nations to resolve the situation with Iraq. International cooperation is an essential element in guarding against terrorism and protecting all nations from attack, particularly those that may involve nuclear, chemical or biological weapons. Working with the United Nations provides the United States with many foreign and domestic policy advantages. First, it ensures a full and exhaustive debate of a range of alternative policies and actions. Second, it builds unity of purpose by clearly defining the objectives to be fulfilled. Third, it assures the world that the United States is not acting solely for its own benefit while reassuring the American people that the United States is not acting alone. Fourth, it provides the legitimacy of international law. And fifth, it increases the chances of long-term success through international peacekeeping and nation-building efforts. For these reasons, the United Nations should be an important component of U.S. foreign policy. We should work actively and constructively within the United Nations system, exercising diplomatic leadership in advance of deci-

sion-making. Resolution of past crises has shown the effectiveness of multilateral action in dealing with international problems. For decades, the League of Women Voters has supported the role of the United Nations in developing, maintaining and protecting peace around the world. Today, when multilateral action is needed to combat terrorism, to establish the institutions and conditions for real economic and social development in postwar Afghanistan and other countries, and to guard against weapons proliferation, the active involvement of the international community and the United Nations is even more important. JoAnn G. Kelly President League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe

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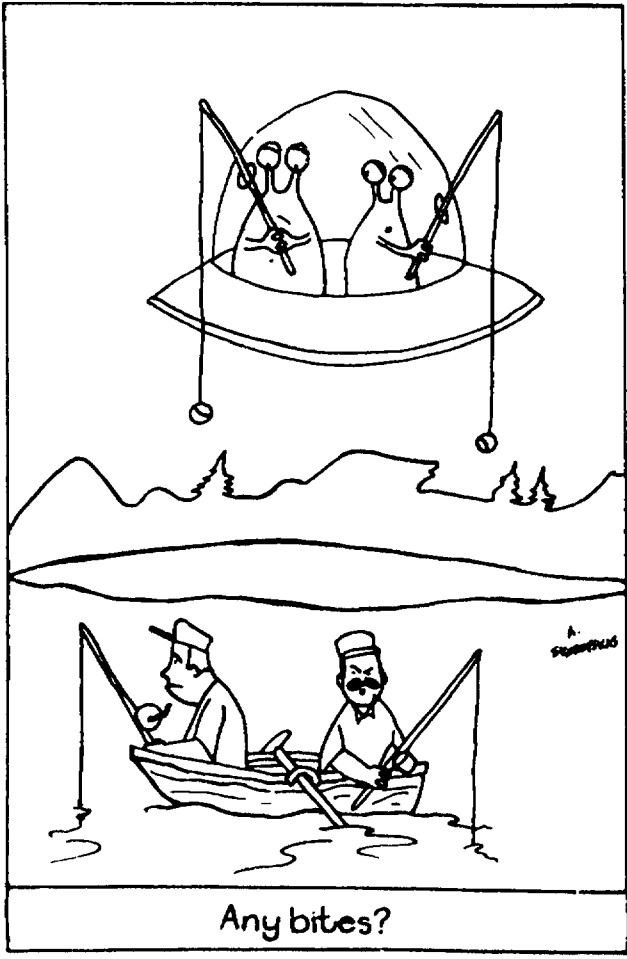
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Rebel yell

To the Editor:
Brad Lindberg proves the old "Southern saying" "ignorance is bliss," true. The blissful look in his picture and his ignorant comments in "Random thoughts" of the Feb. 20 issue, prove this fact. Mr. Lindberg must have fallen asleep in English class in addition to history class. So allow me to educate him on a few facts, one more time. Mr. Lindberg commented that his "Series of redneck jokes," 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." Merriam-Webster defines the word traitor as one who commits treason. They also define treason as the offense of attempting by overt acts to overthrow the

government of the state to which the offender owes allegiance or to kill or personally injure the sovereign or the sovereign's family. General Lee and the leaders of the Old South did not attempt to overthrow any government. The governments of the southern states did not agree with the federal government and seceded from the Union. They did not attempt to overthrow the federal government. General Lee and the other leaders of the South were no longer part of the Union when war was declared. This means treason was not committed. As for the taking up arms, the south did take up arms in an attempt to protect its independence. History and English lesson over, a greater issue with Mr. Lindberg's comments bother me. Why, in

this time of terrorist attacks and world turmoil and with the threat of war with Iraq looming, would a person in Mr. Lindberg's position publish comments that serve only to inflame people and create discontent. People of the South consider its former leaders heroes, defenders of states rights. It would seem that this is a time for our nation to be united not a time to make useless inflammatory remarks. Have we learned nothing from our past? Does Mr. Lindberg have no pertinent issues to attempt to make intelligent comments about? I did notice that Mr. Lindberg is listed as a staff writer not a reporter. Reporters normally report facts, writers are creative. I believe Karl Marx was a writer also, but better at it. Charles R. Lewis Grosse Pointe Park



Take the route of peace

I was listening to a sermon this past week about the looming war in Iraq and after feeling divided about the issue, I think I agree with what the minister said.

Violence begets violence, he said, and therefore he is against war. Our troops, however, should be supported if we do end up taking the path of armed conflict. We should not denounce or vilify our military as protesters did during the Vietnam War, he said.

I have enormous respect for President George Bush. I think he is a moral man guided by the principles of the U.S. Constitution and

his personal faith. I admire his resolve and decisiveness. He is in every respect presidential.

But I think it is true that war can only cause more war. The world sometimes seems to be a giant Moby Dick, and the violence between different countries, races and religions, like a series of Ahabs seeking to conquer their enemies. When will the world stop hunting each other, and when can love reign as the order of the day?

Saddam Hussein is without doubt an evil man. In his book, "The Right Man," former Bush speech writer David Frum catalogues some of his atrocities. He gassed Kurdish women in 1988. Women were discovered huddled around their babies trying to protect them from the poisonous onslaught. He has thrown his enemies into acid baths. He terrorized soldiers by



forcing them to look on as their wives and daughters were raped.

These unspeakable horrors should be halted, but I think the best way to do this is to somehow remove Saddam Hussein without war. Three Arab countries, including the United Arab Emirates, are calling for Saddam Hussein to step down. Why can't we call on the world to force his removal without engaging in violence ourselves?

When I was in my 20s, I read the philosopher Albert

Camus. The one thing I took from reading his novels and polemics was his belief in purity of intention, both personally and publicly. He decried how people crusading for ideas often undercut the very meaning of those ideas by the sinister means in which they fought for them. An example of this would be anti-war protesters during Vietnam condemning soldiers who fought in the war. How can these people proclaim to be for peace when they greeted the armed forces with hate?

Camus argued the way to deal with glaring hypocrisies, or the absurd as he called them, was to highlight them and speak about them. Despair about the impurity of the world could be combated by a courageous acknowledgement of its darkness.

There is much meaning in Camus, but what seems missing is the component of hope and love. For me, these values, which had dwindled during my twenties, have blossomed and grown through a faith in Christianity. It was love meeting the peculiarities and variety of my soul's landscape — not force or hate or division — that drew me out of my dark view of the world, of thinking that all was absurd.

Some of the great leaders of our world effected change through nonviolence. Think of Gandhi and Martin Luther King. With all our

might and power and respect for individual voices, imagine the way we as Americans could transform the world by advocating peace and love.

These thoughts may be naive, but I believe that the most significant truth is love. Love heals, love consoles, love raises the spiritually dead.

In a report from the U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix, it was stated that "the results in terms of disarmament have been very limited so far," according to the Web site, andrewsullivan.com. The world should demand Saddam Hussein resign before he gains the ability to use his weapons of mass destruction.

Mr. President, I will support you and our armed forces if war is the road that is taken. But can you go a different route and find peace a chance?

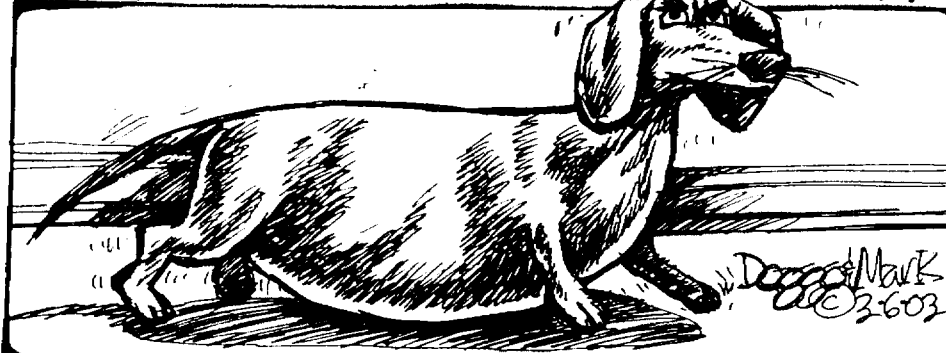
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"We have summited Everest," he reported. "Cape Horn is a beam. After a wild night of squally weather, packing winds over 40 knots, Cape Horn appeared out of the sunlight between squalls as if scripted. A couple of jibes, and we passed within six miles of the famous rock."

"These are hallowed waters. Countless wrecks lie on the bottom here, and countless lives have been lost trying to get 'round this windswept point of land. I feel honored to be here, to see this storied point and move on. I am incredibly lucky to be on a boat this safe, in weather this good, on an adventure this grand."

Kent's 50-foot ocean racer tells the story in its name — Everest Horizontal. The race is sailing's version of a solitary climb of the world's highest mountain, including 50-knot winds, 50-foot waves, ice bergs in the South Pacific, a soggy cabin and equipment failures.

But whereas, Joshua Slocum, who first completed a solitary sail around the globe in 1898, was out of direct contact with his home for the three-year voyage, modern technology puts Kent in touch with his support team, a Milwaukee radio station, WTMJ-AM (620), and hundreds of e-mail fans around the globe. Each Monday morning Kent talks live with the radio station.

Last week, Kent's friends had a concert in Milwaukee to help raise funds to pay off the huge expense of the trip and its support since top sponsors have only put up \$5,000 each for the adventure, which will cost an estimated \$1.5 million. Other competitors have reportedly raised up to \$3 million to back their races.

Kent has no major sponsor, no full-time land crew

and no job waiting for him in Milwaukee. He expects to arrive home penniless with major debts to pay and a book to write.

Kent is described by his sister, **Jane Lucido** of the Woods, who teaches in the Adjusted Learning program at North, "as a natural story teller because of the Irish in him."

Both attended Star of the Sea elementary school and Tim graduated from U-D High in 1970. They grew up sailing on other people's boats on Lake St. Clair.

George Young Jr. and his wife, **Nancy**, of the Woods, were Tim's sailing mentors. Kent's friend, **George Young III**, better known as Buzz, former co-owner of Village Records and Tapes, is one of the sponsors.

The race, consisting of five legs, began in New York last September and is expected to be completed in early May. The first leg was to Torbay, England (2,930 nautical miles); the second to Cape Town, South Africa (6,880 miles); the third across the Indian Ocean ended in Tauranga, New Zealand (7,125 miles); the fourth takes him from Tauranga, across the Southern Pacific and up the South American coast to Salvador, Brazil (7,850 miles), and the last leg will be from Salvador to Newport, R.I. (4,015 miles). That leg of the race will begin about April 13. Two of the 12 racers dropped out in Capetown.

Kent told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel during the voyage across the South Pacific: "At the latitude we (will be) sailing, there is absolutely no land from

New Zealand to Cape Horn, a distance of over 17,000 miles. We are going to be literally — in the middle of nowhere. There is not a single place on Earth, not even on the top of Mount Everest, where you could be anywhere near as isolated or far from help if something goes wrong. Rescue planes cannot reach us, there is no shipping down there. If there is an accident — we hit an iceberg or a container — the only rescue is from our competitors."

If you want to share in the excitement of a former Grosse Pointe's circumnavigation, you can boat up Kent's Web site at www.everesthorizontal.com or the race Web site, www.aroundalone.com, where they track all the racers regularly. You can also sign up for Kent's daily e-mail reports and get a sense of the daily travails of the voyage and his literary prowess. It's a book I'm looking forward to reading.

Meanwhile his sister Jane and her husband, **Joe**, follow Kent's progress anxiously worrying about that man alone in a boat against the sea.

The Lucidos are members of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club and sail a 27-foot Erickson called Resolution on Lake St. Clair out of the Woods Lake Front Park.

But that is no surprise. Resolution obviously runs in the family.

Ben Burns of the City of Grosse Pointe is director of the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by phone at 313-882-2525.

Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What is your idea of a fun girls' night out?



By Suzy Berschback



Ellen Zuduma

"Shopping, and then coffee at Cariboo."
— Ellen Zuduma, Grosse Pointe Park

"A nice dinner, a good play and lots of laughs with good friends."
— Mary Ellen Lewandoski, Grosse Pointe Park



Mary Ellen Lewandoski



Julie Verlinden

"No kids. Anything else is fine."
— Julie Verlinden, Grosse Pointe Park

"A great movie, good food and some laughs!"
— Kate Baudeloque, Grosse Pointe Park



Kate Baudeloque



Danielle Filiplik

"Giggling, gossiping and chowing down."
— Danielle Filiplik, Detroit

"I like going to the Two Sisters Gourmet parties. I meet a diverse group of women."
— Julia Stanton, Grosse Pointe Park



Julia Stanton

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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.

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Letters — The mystery of prayer

From page 6A

To the editor:

I commend Jennie Miller for her wonderful article in your Feb. 13 issue of the Grosse Pointe News. It is the most outstanding article of the many I have read regarding the terrorist crisis.

Her informative analysis of our country on the brink of war is simply and clearly stated and her conclusions are refreshingly correct.

Her words give us strength and optimism in these troubling times.

We hope she will pursue her efforts on behalf of all of us who have a sincere love of our country and the freedom and justice which it represents.

Arlene R. Hendrie
Grosse Pointe Farms

The mystery of prayer

To the Editor:

This is in response to the Grosse Pointe News Feb. 13 The Pastor's Corner by Monsignor Dennis Harrity, "Prayer: can it change God's mind?"

I believe Monsignor left out an important element of our relationship with God.

Each person has been endowed by God with an intellect and a will. We have the intellect to make judgments and the will to act on these judgments. We are each responsible for the decisions and actions taken by our own free will.

The fact that God knows all things does not in any way mean that He controls or ordains our actions.

Prayers are always answered, but not always in the manner that the prayer

has wished. We should be encouraged to pray to God because it is an act of faith. To equate God's knowledge of all things with a foreordination of our actions would negate our free will and responsibility for our actions.

We should continue to pray to God and not be concerned with the fact that God knows all things.

Walter B. Connolly
Stuart, Fla.

Letters

The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

Send letters to Editor, Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236; or fax them to (313) 882-1585. Letters may also be sent e-mail to: jminnis@grossepointenews.com

PET POINTER OF INTEREST

Mandy Pierce Kaspzyk

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Family: Jason and Kathryn (Pierce) Kaspzyk.

Best friends: Halstead Adlhoeb, Butch and Sundance Ugval, Bailey Schneider, Gail Kachadourian and Sis Pierce.

Favorite words: Walk, bye bye, and want a bone?

Favorite activities: Sleeping on Nana's bay window, shopping up and down Mack with Nana, going for walks, and chasing birds.

If you would like to submit your "Pet Pointer of Interest," deliver or mail a typed outline and photograph to the Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to postmaster@grossepointenews.com (photos must be high resolution).



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2003 Wedding Show: A planner's paradise

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Twenty-two pounds of dripping chocolate didn't stop more than 60 vendors and nearly 500 patrons from coming to the 2003 Wedding Show on Thursday, Feb. 27.

The chocolate fountain was just one of the highlights of the event sponsored by The Grosse Pointe News and The St. Clair Shores Connection newspapers and held at the Assumption Cultural Center and Marchiori Catering Co. in St. Clair Shores.

Brides, maids of honor and a flower girl wandered the aisles wearing gowns from Lendzion's as patrons met with vendors providing everything from flowers to limousines, invitations to jewelry and photography to honeymoon vacations.

The event is one of metro Detroit's largest wedding shows each year. Vendors appreciate the chance to advertise their products in a hands-on setting, and patrons enjoy having an assortment of wedding planning options at their fingertips.

"It is absolutely a great way for a business to get some exposure," said Patty Scott of La Fontaine de Chocolat in Sterling Heights, who started the business with her sister-in-law just two months ago. "This is probably going to be the best thing we ever did — coming here today."

"I came looking for tuxedos and cakes, and I found both," said Ruth McCarthy of St. Clair Shores, who is

getting married on Aug. 1.

Melissa Massouras of Grosse Pointe Shores attended the event as both a vendor and a patron. She works for Edmund T. Ahee fine jewelers in Grosse Pointe Woods and is planning a wedding on Sept. 27.

"I definitely recommend coming here to help with ideas," she said. "There is a nice array of vendors. I would say there is something for everyone."

Even though Massouras has already finished much of the planning for her wedding, she said the event was great for ideas she hasn't yet thought of.

"I like the doves," she said, referring to the white doves provided by Love In Flight. "That is a nice idea for an extra little touch."

Other decorative ideas and accessories were provided by stores like Do Me a Favor, L.A. Wedding Design and Fresh Favors.

"We do everything from pillars to centerpieces, candles, silk and live flowers, lighting, chair covers, mailboxes — everything," said Lisa Adams of L.A. Wedding Design in Macomb Twp.

Flowers are an essential decorative item at weddings, according to Mark Dikowski of Ariel's Enchanted Garden in Eastpointe.

"Girls plan their wedding from the time they are 5 and 6 years old. They are gathering flowers in their mom's garden and making bouquets," he said. "It's a really important part of the wedding."

Ariel's features an eclectic

collection of flowers.

"We try to find the unusual items that are not typically used by other florists too often," Dikowski said. "We offer brides more than their typical daisy, carnation and red rose offering."

He added that hydrangeas have been one of the more popular items this wedding season, as well as the colors green and purple.

Cindy Fiedler and her mom, Carol, of St. Clair Shores, had already picked out the flowers for her October wedding but came to the wedding show in search of photographers and DJs. Pro DJ Services were on hand to display past work and answer questions.

Susan Panin and her mom, Lynn, of St. Clair Shores also found a photographer at the event and were interested in the limousine services provided by Maxx.

St. Clair Shores resident Beverly Ventimiglia was impressed by the packages offered



Bride Terri Ehrler and flower girl Tiffany Daschke wear gowns from Lendzion's as they taste treats dipped in La Fontaine de Chocolat at the 2003 Wedding Show, sponsored by The Grosse Pointe News and The St. Clair Shores Connection newspapers.

Photos by Ann Fouty



Above, Stacey Martin of Grosse Pointe Farms examines a bouquet of flowers with Linda Grogan of Thrifty Florist at the 2003 Wedding Show. Martin is getting married in May of 2004.

by The Body Shop at Home, which provides a night of pampering for bachelorette parties or as bridesmaid gifts.

"A girl's night out at home," Ventimiglia said, thinking of ideas for her daughter, who is getting married in May of 2004.

The spa experience can also be enjoyed at Terme Day Spa in St. Clair Shores.

"Brides come in with their wedding party a day before the wedding when they're all tensed up and nervous," said Jane Miller of the spa. "They come in and get massages and body wraps and scrubs."

Star treatment was also offered by Seven Seas Travel. Representative Jeffrey Eaton boasted having the best values and customer service in town for honeymoon vacations.

If cruises and massages weren't enough to tempt wedding planners, Assumption's own Marchiori Catering Co. was on hand at the event.

Although best-known for Italian cuisine, Marchiori Catering Co. can also fill a reception with the delicious tastes of veal, chicken and lamb.

"We're known for the quality of our food and our service," said Tony

Marchiori. "We've been in business for 52 years — three generations."

In addition to the descriptions of gourmet food and the tastes of cake and chocolate, patrons got a little eye candy at the wedding show.

On display for all to view was the original wedding gown donned by Nia Vardalos in the Hollywood smash hit, "My Big Fat Greek Wedding."

The dress, which features the autographs of cast members and producers, was made available by Stavros Boloven of Dearborn Heights.

Patrons also had the opportunity to take home prizes by entering a raffle with each ticket purchased.

Prizes included gift certificates and merchandise from vendors at the event.

Lynn Hackathorn of Grosse Pointe Woods was thrilled to win a DVD of My Big Fat Greek Wedding. Other patrons won items

such as makeup from Estee Lauder and Angel perfume, photography packages and spa gift certificates.

Sarah Upsher of Eastpointe was the lucky recipient of a diamond necklace from Edmund T. Ahee fine jewelers, and Joy Cattran nabbed the grand prize of a Jamaican honeymoon at an all-inclusive resort, donated by Northwest Airlines World Vacations, Couples Resorts and Seven Seas Cruise & Travel.

With all the time and effort spent on wedding planning, patrons were relieved to find so many ideas and options in one place at the 2003 Wedding Show.

"It was more than just a wedding show — there was something for everyone, including ideas for all kinds of parties, business gatherings, family fun and gifts," said Barbara Vethacke, event coordinator.

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Nominating petitions for candidates seeking election to the Board of Education are available in the Business Office at 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Fridays.

Forty (40) signatures of registered electors are required to become a candidate for the Board of Education.

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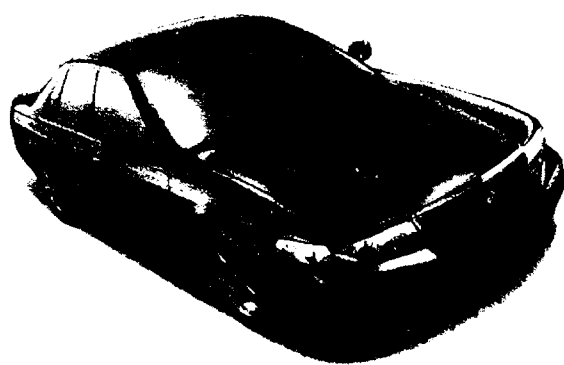
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Sporty, economical Grand Am comes well equipped

By Greg Zyla

We test drove Pontiac's 2003 Grand Am, a model that ranks each year somewhere in the top 10 of best-selling cars in America. The reason for the impressive sales ranking lies in

runs very well). A five-speed manual transmission is standard, while a four-speed overdrive automatic costs \$825 more. The V-6 is optional in the SE1.

Our SE2 featured standard V-6 power and auto-

enjoyed the eight-speaker Monsoon stereo that is a must if you want satellite radio.

On the road, our 170-horsepower V-6 propelled the Grand Am with authority, and the four-speed auto-



2003 Pontiac Grand Am SE2

Pontiac's ability to build a sporty, economical compact car that attracts consumers from all age groups.

Two body styles are available, including two-door GT or GT1 and five different four-doors, including SE, SE1, SE2, GT and GT1. Our tester was the four-door, fully equipped SE2. New in 2003 is less boisterous styling, as Pontiac has toned down four-door Grand Ams a bit. However, the GT is delivered with all the flash, including ribbed bumpers, integrated fog lamps and optional Ram Air and spoilers.

All Grand Ams come well-equipped in base form. The SE, which starts at only \$17,030, features air, power door locks, six-speaker graphic equalizer audio with compact disc, and P215/60R15 tires. SE1 (\$18,470) adds cruise control, power windows and mirrors, remote keyless entry, four-way adjustable front seats with power height adjustment for the driver, and five-spoke cast aluminum wheels with P225/50R16 all-weather tires. Both models rely on the trusty 2.2-liter four-cylinder engine rated at 140 horsepower and 150 pound-feet of torque (this engine

matic shifted very well. Handling is acceptable, although bigger bumps in the road are more pronounced. When we pushed it in some country road corners, the body leaned a bit but still responded well. If you want better handling, opt for the GT, which dishes up a stiffer, more sport-tuned suspension.

Grand Am is especially good in snow, thanks to its front-wheel-drive format. We were able to drive right out of our driveway, which was piled with 10-inches of snow ... without shoveling!

As for stopping, front disc brakes are standard, while the rear brakes are drum type. The GT has discs all around. Important numbers include a 107-inch wheelbase, 14.6 cubic-feet of cargo space, 14.3 gallon fuel tank and a gross vehicle weight of 3,148 pounds.

Pontiac's Grand Am is a best seller. It may have a few shortcomings, but the pluses outweigh the minuses, and pricing is very attractive. Add rebates, dealer incentives and low or no financing, and you can park one in your driveway for way less than the retail price.

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Choosing a light-truck bedliner

(NAPSI) — For most light-truck owners, a bedliner serves as an important enhancement. Because trucks work hard, the more protection you provide, the greater the payback you're likely to receive in terms of durability and resale value.

One bedliner — like one truck model — isn't as good as the next. There's an ever-widening gap between the bedliner technologies, and protection, now available through truck accessories dealers, franchise installers and other businesses.

How can you be certain the truck bedliner you choose will provide the long-term protection, perfor-

mance, durability, appearance and value you need? Simply stick to the facts.

Will the bedliner itself damage your truck? It depends on which type of liner you choose: a new-generation molded "drop-in" liner, or a liquid "spray-on" coating, which, in effect, replaces your truck's factory finish.

To properly install a spray-on liner, the franchise or other dealer first must grind off the original finish. What the installer might not tell you is that this process may reduce or eliminate the vehicle manufacturer's sheet metal corrosion protection and could void your

paint warranty.

Some users of older-style drop-in bedliners discovered that the liners could vibrate within the truck bed, causing scratches and other problems. Today's leading drop-ins, however, are manufactured in vehicle-specific molds to ensure a tight fit.

The appearance of drop-in bedliners has improved dramatically, offering an appealing "custom" look through precision molding techniques.

For more information on how to select the best bedliner for any light truck, visit the Web site bedliner-facts.com.

Don't let car neglect run you off the road

(NAPSI) — Everyone has heard of spring cleaning for their home but did you realize that spring is a great time to clean your car too? In fact, a thorough cleaning under your car's hood could prevent future problems from occurring.

According to the Car Care Council, an organization that has been promoting the car maintenance message for more than 30 years, car neglect is responsible for nearly 2,600 deaths, 100,000 disabling injuries and more than \$2 billion lost each year. In an effort to reduce car neglect and these staggering statistics, NASCAR legend Richard Petty and the Car Care Council are joining forces to educate Americans on the importance of proper engine maintenance with the

All 3 Every 3 program. Designed by Petty and his crew chiefs, the engine maintenance program recommends three steps every 3,000 miles:

1. Change your oil. The additives in motor oil become depleted as oil accumulates mileage. When motor oil loses its protective additives, your engine can suffer damage to the bearings, cylinders, camshaft and valve train.

2. Clean your fuel injectors. Just as your oil gets dirty after 3,000 miles, so does your fuel intake system. However, if you clean your fuel injectors every time you change your oil, you will keep your fuel intake system clean and running efficiently.

3. Check your belts, hoses and fluids. Check for cracks

in belts and soft spots on hoses. By not replacing belts and hoses when these conditions exist, you risk breakdowns and costly damage to your engine. Also, check fluid levels. Fluids can evaporate, leak or deteriorate and need to be checked regularly.

"People have gotten away from performing regular maintenance on their cars," said Petty.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Dog threatened

Grosse Pointe Woods police said a 61-year-old male resident, who owns a .357 Smith and Wesson revolver, admitted threatening to "blow his (neighbor's dog's) brains out if I caught (the dog defecating) on my lawn."

Three Woods officers investigated the alleged threat in the 1800 block of Oxford on Saturday, March 1, at 9:10 p.m. A woman had flagged down a patrolman and reported a man making threats and "waiving" a silver revolver.

Police interviewed the gun owner at his house and saw the .357 revolver on the main floor on a desk covered with papers.

The man admitted yelling at his neighbor through an open bedroom window of his own home while holding a long shoe horn, not a gun. Later, according to police, the man said he wasn't holding anything.

His stories, verbal and written, conflict," said an officer.

The dog-owning neighbor did not complete a witness statement and later reportedly told police, "I don't think I saw a gun."

Wine for two

On Saturday, March 1, at 3:11 p.m., Grosse Pointe Park police intercepted a 37-year-old man and 44-year-old woman, both of Detroit, who had just shoplifted a bottle of wine and two glasses from a store in the 15000 block of Kercheval.

Drunken girls

Four 17-year-old girls whose blood alcohol levels ranged from .093 percent to .113 percent were cited for drinking last weekend by Grosse Pointe Woods police.

An officer caught the girls in a tan 1995 Mercury four-door being driven without a til light in the 1000 block of North Oxford on Saturday, March 1, at 12:54 a.m.

The driver denied drinking but registered a .093 blood alcohol percentage. The two other girls were from Harper Woods. A fifth passenger, 17, of Grosse Pointe Woods, tested free of alcohol and was released.

The other girls were turned over to their parents and given a court date of April 9, at 8:30 a.m.

Stumbling driver

A 69-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving drunk in eastbound Vernier near Junningdale Park in Grosse Pointe Woods on Saturday, March 1, at 1:08 a.m.

The man almost fell while stumbling out of his vehicle and registered a .291 per-

cent blood alcohol level, police said.

Homeless man

On Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 5:50 p.m., Grosse Pointe Woods discovered a 44-year-old homeless man sleeping in the doorway of a store in the 19400 block of Mack.

The man had a .25 percent blood alcohol level and an outstanding \$9,553 warrant from Wayne County for non-payment of support. He also has a \$2,500 warrant from the Michigan State Police for failure to appear in court.

Both agencies were unable to retrieve the man; so Woods police turned him over to a relative living in Grosse Pointe Farms.

— Brad Lindberg

Lock boxes stolen

Two lock boxes containing \$4,000 cash were stolen from two bedrooms of a house on Forsyth Lane in Grosse Pointe Farms sometime between Feb. 10 and 23.

A hidden spare key to the house was discovered missing. The residents refused to release names of possible suspects.

No walking, jogging in street

A 53-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores man was struck by a car driven by a Grosse Pointe Farms woman while jogging in the street of Grosse Pointe Boulevard at Meadow Lane in the Farms on Saturday, Feb. 22.

The jogger suffered a broken leg in the accident.

Public safety officer Frank Zielinski warns residents a city ordinance prohibits walking, jogging and in-line skating in the street where sidewalks are provided.

Items recovered

An employee suspicious about a bag a customer was carrying in a store in the 17100 block of Kercheval in

the City of Grosse Pointe recovered \$566 worth of clothing without incident on Monday, Feb. 24.

When the employee asked the customer for he receipt for the items in the bag, the customer said it was in her car. The customer then fled the store and left the bag of merchandise behind.

OUIL accident

A 35-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man side-swiped two cars and landed his 2002 black Land Rover Discovery on the front lawn of a house in the 700 block of Fisher in Grosse Pointe Farms on his way home from a local bar at 1:03 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 28.

The man registered a blood alcohol level of .20 percent and refused medical attention. His SUV sustained heavy front-end damage including both front tires, which snapped off at the axle.

Garage fire

A two-car detached garage in the 400 block of Calvin in Grosse Pointe Farms caught fire in the early morning hours of Friday, Feb. 28.

The resident called 911 at 5:40 a.m. Lt. Richard Rosati said, "By the time we came, the fire was fully evolved, and the roof caved in."

Two cars parked inside the garage were destroyed. Rosati said the gas tanks in both cars were full but did not rupture in the blaze.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Wrong-way drunk

A Grosse Pointe Farms man tipped off City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers of his inability to drive when they spotted him driving in a 1998 Pontiac Firebird the wrong way on Fisher on Saturday, March 1, at 3:04 a.m.

The driver was unable to complete requested field sobriety tests and recorded a blood alcohol level of .145 percent on a PBT.

— Bonnie Caprara

Robbery/assault suspect to be arraigned in the City

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

A man suspected in robbing and beating a woman in her driveway in the 500 block of University in the City of Grosse Pointe last October is expected to be arraigned in the City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Court today.

The suspect, a 39-year-old Detroit man, was identified by the victim from a lineup after he and an accomplice were arrested for similar assaults in Detroit on Feb. 17.

The suspect and his accomplice were arrested by Detroit police involved in a surveillance task force which included police from all of the Grosse Pointes.

Harper Woods, Eastpointe and St. Clair Shores. They are being held on charges of armed robbery and home invasion.

City Lt. James Fox said task force members believe the two men and another large suspect may be responsible for as many as 40 attacks on women in the area. He said most of the victims were followed home by the suspects before being attacked and robbed in their driveways or houses.

Fox said police got a break on the case when a Harper Woods man reported the driver's license of a car in which two occupants watched a woman carry packages into her house on Feb. 7. One of the men attempted, but failed, to

enter the house.

"If Detroit never knew about the license plate, we would have never found them," Fox said.

The suspect is being charged with armed robbery, using a firearm in the commission of a felony, felony possession of a handgun and a habitual felon charge.

Fox said the suspect was still under parole for a similar offense when he attacked and robbed the woman on University in October. He was discharged from parole a few weeks later.

Fox said other departments are investigating similar incidents.

"This was a cooperative effort among many departments," Fox said.

Teens caught at dope house

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Seven Grosse Pointe teenagers were cited for narcotics possession last Friday outside a drug house on Detroit's eastside.

Grosse Pointe Park police, who had been tipped off to drug dealing at the house on Lakeview north of Warren, said some of the teenagers were caught making marijuana runs to the house during their high school lunch hours.

Members of the Detroit Police Department's violent crimes task force took part.

Cited teens include a 17-

year-old girl from the Farms; two males from the Park ages 17 and 19; three males from the Shores ages 15, 17 and 18; and, from the Woods, two males ages 17 and 19 and two girls ages 15 and 16.

Under tough anti-drug laws, several vehicles were seized and will be offered back for sale to their registered owner.

Dave Hiller, Park chief of public safety, said, "All involved are current or former students of our schools."

Offenders were issued tickets to appear in court on charges of violating an ordi-

nance against drug possession.

Hiller said a father of one youths questioned why suburban police would get involved in Detroit drug activity.

"Kids from our schools were buying dope," Hiller said. "These kids were dealing with an extremely dangerous group. Parents need to know what's going on. They're not paying attention."

Hiller won't hesitate to team up with Detroit officers on future tips.

"The message is clear," Hiller said. "There are no geographic boundaries. We'll go after them."

The drug house was later raided by Detroit police.

Big Park drug bust

A former resident of the 1400 block of Devonshire in Grosse Pointe Park was shocked to learn a laid-back neighbor had been arrested for receiving 3,200 pounds of marijuana.

"He was so quiet. He never talked to anybody," the neighbor said.

Federal officials arrested the homeowner last weekend on drug charges.

David Jacobson, spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Agency Detroit field division, did not elaborate.

"We don't discuss ongoing investigations, other than what is in the complaint," Jacobson said.

The complaint was unavailable in time for the Grosse Pointe News' deadline.

According to a story in the March 4 Detroit Free Press, DEA agents arrested the man and claimed the drug shipment after it was unloaded in his driveway from a tractor-trailer on Saturday, March 1.



City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE TO BIDDERS - PREPARATION AND COATING OF 5,000 SQUARE FEET OF FLOOR AREA IN MECHANICS GARAGE: Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing the following services: Preparation and coating of 5,000 square feet of floor area in mechanics garage. Copies of specifications and bid sheets may be obtained from the City Clerk. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

Louise S. Warnke,
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City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

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Pursuant to federal guidelines, on Monday, February 24, 2003, the City of Grosse Pointe Woods determined to submit the projects listed below for funding from the FY 2003/2004 Fiscal Year Community Development Block Grant Program. The City's 2003/2004 CDBG Budget is estimated at \$104,000.

2003/2004 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) (Minor Home Repair, Case Coord., & Referrals)	\$32,000
Senior Citizen Coordinators	\$28,000
Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services (PAATS)	\$12,000
City Hall Handicapped Accessibility Improvements	\$28,500
Administration	\$3,500
Total	\$104,000

Ted L. Bidigare,
City Administrator

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Don't miss North's 'Hello, Dolly!'

Grosse Pointe North High School's spring musical, "Hello, Dolly!" will be performed on Thursday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday March 7 and 8, at 8 p.m. All performances will be held at the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$12 on the main floor and \$10 for the balcony and may be purchased at North's school office or Wild Birds Unlimited. Pictured, from left, are Jennifer Trombley, Charlie Gaidica, Angela Theis and Kyle Serilla. For more information, visit www.gpnchoirs.org, or call the ticket hotline at (313) 432-3246.

SCHOOL NOTES

Defer to host 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 204.

Registration will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. in the school office.

February students of the month

Students of the month are those students with excellent attendance and dedication to their volunteer jobs.

Safety patrol students are on duty at intersections near schools to help students cross streets safely. They are at their posts every school day, before and after classes, in all kinds of weather.

The February safety patrol students of the month are: Caitlin Rivera, Defer; Max Kaiser and Nannette Mutschall, Kerby; Scott Donnellon and Abigail Constant, Maire; Alex Avouris and William Broman, Monteith; and Evie Hartman, Trombly.

Service squad students help with safety rules inside school buildings and perform other tasks as needed, such as helping in the school office.

The February service squad students of the month include: Curtis Gough, Defer; Kacey Murphy and Anisha Suterwala, Ferry; Rae Sklarski, Paul Ferriole, Kitsi Hubbard and Julia Solecki, Maire; Patti Scherer and Maresa Leto, Monteith; Laura Manardo, Alexandra Bracci, Melanie Parke, Caitlin Barry and Kitty Gilbert, Richard; and

Julie Griffin, Trombly.

Library squad students assist the school librarian before class by shelving books and distributing audiovisual materials to teachers.

The February library squad students of the month include: Aisha Rahman and Nate Erickson, Defer; Emily Grobbel and Mix Corbett, Maire; Michele Burns and Warren Damman, Monteith; Tessa Hedges, Lara Wilmarth and Leah Turner, Richard; and Carrie Condino, Trombly.

School registration

Grosse Pointe North High School will be holding registration for private and parochial school students for the 2003-04 school year on Friday, March 7, at 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Students should bring the following information: a copy of an updated immunization record, a copy of the birth certificate and the student's social security number.

For more information, call (313) 432-3212.

Scholarship finalists

The National Merit Scholarship Program has released the names of these students who have earned finalist recognition.

Of the 16,100 semifinalists, 10 Grosse Pointe South High School students advanced to finalist standing.

These students include Emily Bretz, Anthony Galinato, Julie O'Keefe, Caitlin Light, Stephen Grey, Anne Osburn, Kevin Spiza, Myles Talbot, Jillian Tittler and Katherine Wyman.

All students were awarded certificates of merit and are now eligible to become one of 8,000 Merit Scholarship recipients.

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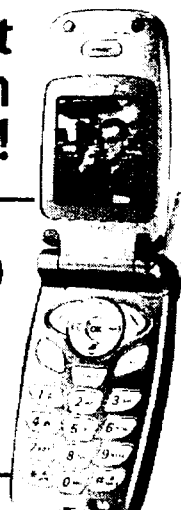
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ULS rainforest study

University Liggett School primary students participated in a rainforest study throughout the month of January.

Above, William and Herb Loner made rain sticks on Father's Night, and below, Ursula Fuller and Tommy Fair enjoy visit from Waxy the Tree Frog. The Living Science Foundation came to ULS through the efforts of the Parent's Association.



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Thousands of miles away never felt so close

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Students quickly hushed one another as a faint beeping sound was heard in the basement of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School.

That beeping sound signaled the start of a forty-minute interview with individuals half-way around the world in the Gambia, Africa.

Sixth- and seventh-graders at St. Clare were chosen out of more than 100 schools nationwide to participate in interviews with Peace Corps volunteers and African students.

The interviews took place on Thursday, Feb. 27, the 42nd anniversary of the founding of the Peace Corps by President John F. Kennedy.

Maureen Magee, a Peace Corps health education volunteer and daughter of Mary Jo Magee, a teacher at St. Clare, was connected to St. Clare students through the Peace Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Ten students were selected to interview Magee about the culture and climate of The Gambia and her experiences in the Peace Corps.

Ten students were also selected to interview four African students about lifestyle, entertainment and social issues.

Another 10 were selected to answer questions posed by the African students, Gimbo, Edy, Kaddy and Moses.

The students were thrilled to participate.

"Only 33 schools got the chance to do this, and we were one of them," sixth-grader Darryl Jackson proudly declared.

"It was cool to talk to people from different cultures," said sixth-grader Jamila Boswel.

"It was fun to hear their language and accents," said sixth-grader Antonio Davis.

The students have been working with Magee and the Peace Corps since the beginning of the school year.

In October, the school raised enough money at its Make a Difference Day Carnival to educate 25 Gambian students.

They have since been learning about the country,

the culture and the people through research and correspondences with Magee.

With a population of one million people, students found that The Gambia is a completely different country from the United States, with a whopping population of 275 million.

The people of the Gambia speak Mandikan, a language that took Magee a grueling two months to learn.

"I had to learn it fast, or I wouldn't have been able to eat or do anything," Magee said.

Students discovered how different the United States is from The Gambia. Magee explained to students how she carries two buckets of water on her head every day to use for bathing and drinking.

"We were shocked to find out that they have no toys, no books, no running water, no electricity, and little education," said Mary Jo Magee.

The atmosphere is much more laid-back and friendlier than the U.S., Magee reported.

"Everyone always takes the time to talk to each other, to greet everyone," she said. "People are much more friendly (here) than in America, where we are always in a hurry, always rushing."

The students were very interested in learning about the types of wild animals that wander around in the Gambia.

Magee recounted a frightening encounter with some of these wild animals.

"One time I went jogging too early in the morning, and I was in a field with no people around," she explained. "There was a large troop of baboons eating peanuts. I didn't see them, and I had my headphones on; so I couldn't hear anything."

"I came around the corner and there were about 40 baboons and they were not happy to see me. They started pounding their chests and running up into the trees, and I was very, very scared."

"I waited for a few minutes, turned around and walked back very slowly."

The students were very impressed with the work Magee does with the Peace Corps. By the end of the interview, some students were inspired to consider participating in the experience themselves.

"I would join the Peace Corps one day," said sixth-grader Blake Hairston. (Maureen) is making peace with everyone. She is making a difference. That's what this world is all about."

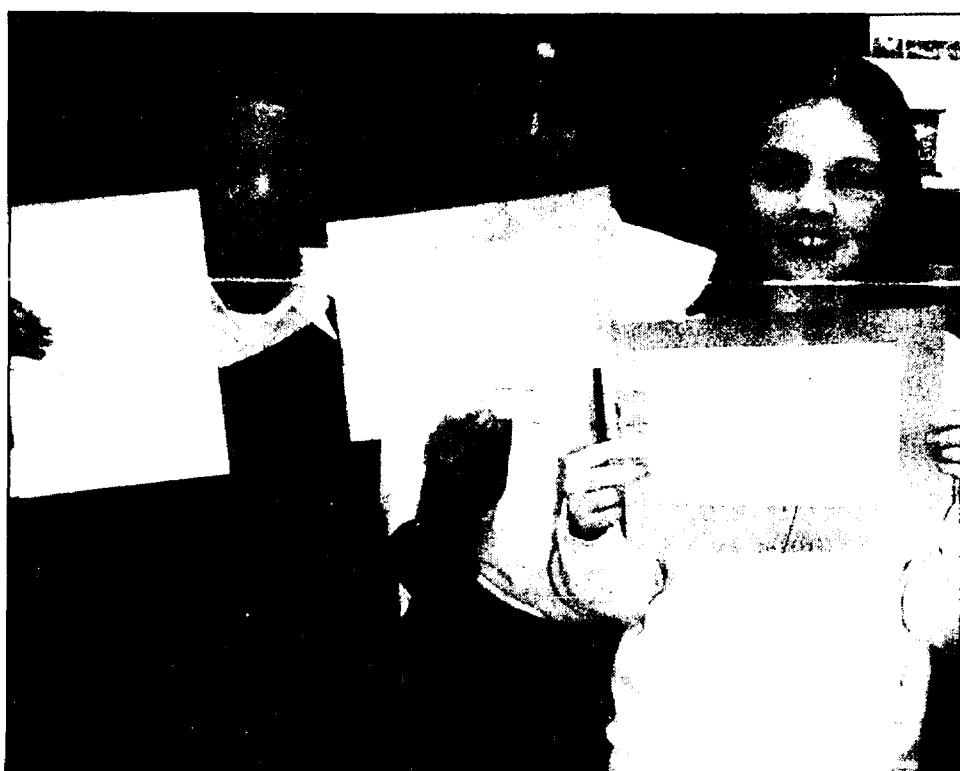


Photo by Jennie Miller

Above, St. Clare sixth-graders Antonio Davis, Charles Guye and Emily Mazure prepare their questions for Maureen Magee, Peace Corps volunteer, and the African students in the Gambia.

On the phone:

Maureen Magee, 26, is a health education volunteer for the United States Peace Corps.

A former Grosse Pointe Woods resident, Magee performs various duties in the Gambia, such as educating schoolchildren about nutrition, teaching people about dangers and precautions of malaria and HIV/AIDS, and working with pregnant women in a gynecological clinic.

On why she joined the Peace Corps:

"The Peace Corps is a good way to be able to live and work in another country for two years. It's a unique opportunity to be able to really learn about another country," she said.

On how she is treated by people of the Gambia:

"In my village, I am a guest, and people are very nice to me. Everywhere I go, everyone yells out my name — they always want to talk with me. People always invite me over to eat lunch with them. I'm sort of like a celebrity in my village."

Maureen's mom, Mary Jo, on the Peace Corps:

"President Kennedy founded the Peace Corps not just to have Americans help in poor countries, but to promote understanding between cultures," said Mary Jo Magee.



Maureen Magee

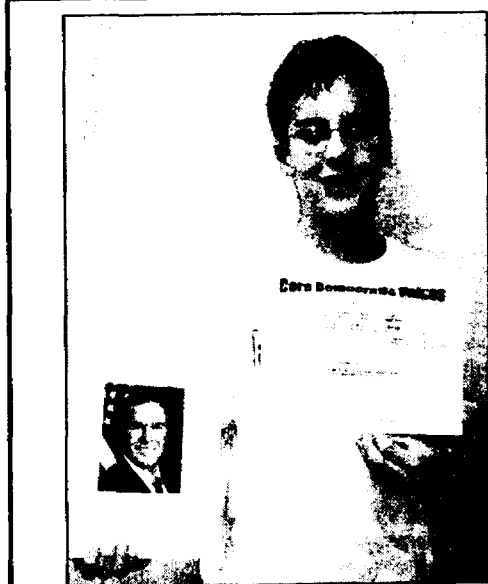
President Bush recognizes Parcels student

Daniel Plouffe, a student at Parcels Middle School, was recognized by President George W. Bush for his recent work, a 10-stanza poem on the core democratic values of the United States.

Plouffe was inspired by his social studies teacher, Scott Cooper, when he wrote the poem.

President Bush sent a letter to Plouffe, thanking him for the inspirational poem, accompanied by an autographed picture.

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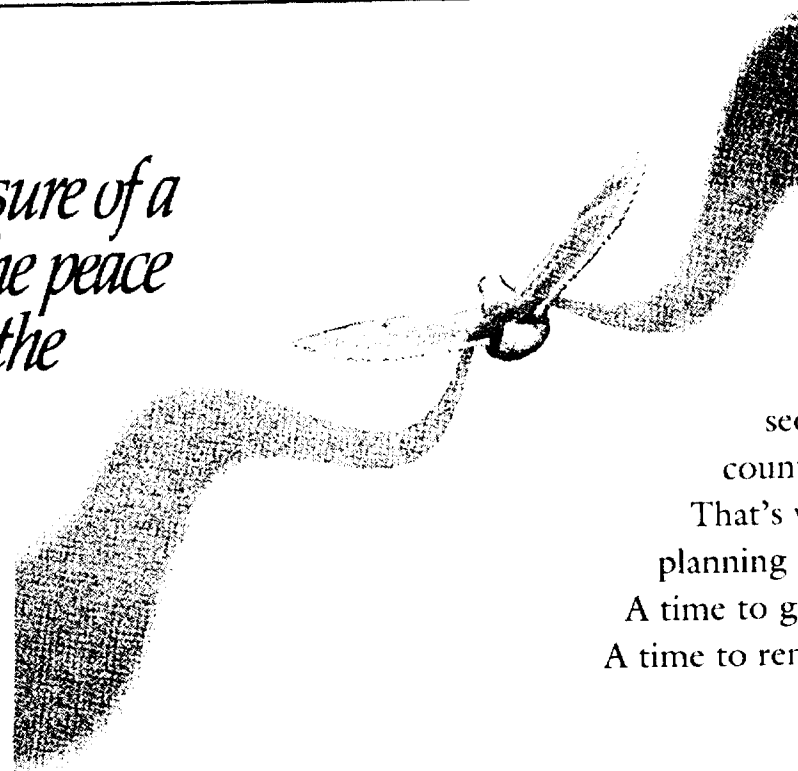
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Martha Ballard

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Former City of Grosse Pointe resident Martha Ballard, 89, passed away on Friday, Feb. 14, 2003, at the Manor of Niceville Nursing Home in Niceville, Fla., after battling cancer for several months.

Born in Detroit in 1913 to Irish immigrants, Ms. Ballard worked at Ford Motor Company during World War II.

In 1965, she began her career as a popular sales associate at Jacobson's in the Village. Promoted to manager of coats and furs, Ms. Ballard served Jacobson's for 25 years before retiring in 1980.

Throughout the 1980s, Ms. Ballard dedicated her energy to volunteering at Bon Secours Hospital. Well into her 80s, Ms. Ballard also assisted her friends and neighbors by driving them to doctor's appointments, cooking them meals, knitting them afghans and caring for their pets.

Also an animal lover, she adopted several dogs over the years.

Ms. Ballard spent most of her life in Grosse Pointe, until she moved with her son and daughter-in-law to Niceville, Fla., in 1999.

She is survived by her son, W. Robert (Barbara) Baxter, niece, Martha (Michael) Walsh, grandniece, Melissa (Robert) Rittner, and grand-nephew Michael (Janel) Walsh.

She was predeceased by her husband, Burt Ballard; her daughter, Joan Ross; and sister and dearest friend Mae Laperriere.

Interment will be at White Chapel Cemetery on Saturday, March 8, preceded by a private memorial service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Charles W. Bowerman

Detroit resident Charles W. "Bill" Bowerman, 83, passed away on Monday, Nov. 4, 2002, at St. John Senior Community Center.

Born in Detroit in 1918, Mr. Bowerman was the valedictorian of Flint Central High School Class of 1936. He graduated from Northwestern University in 1940.

He served as a captain in

World War II.

Mr. Bowerman worked for 40 years for Michigan Bell Telephone Co., serving as director of marketing for the Michigan Bell Yellow Pages.

He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club, a councilman from 1967 to 1971 for the City of Grosse Pointe Park, and a precinct delegate for the Republican Party in Grosse Pointe Park.

He enjoyed family activities, bowling and mentoring young people who were starting out in their careers.

He is survived by his daughters, Suzanne (Peter) Durant, Judith (Lawrence) Slezak and Deborah (Steven) Black; his sons, David (Julie), Donald (Marilyn), Robert and Brian; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and his sister, Elizabeth Rouse.

He was predeceased by his wife of 43 years, Naomi; his sisters, Margretta Stewart and Frances Roth; and his brother, Don.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 8, at 10 a.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 17220 W. Twelve Mile Rd., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48076 or the Salvation Army, 16130 Northland Drive, Southfield, MI 48075.

Richard Blinn Bushaw

Richard Blinn Bushaw of Detroit and the City of Grosse Pointe passed away on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2003.

Born in Marine City, Mr. Bushaw was a graduate of Grosse Pointe High School and the University of Michigan.

He was employed as a bank examiner by the state of Michigan for many years until his retirement.

He was an active member of Christ Episcopal Church in Detroit, participating in many church activities.

He loved the theater and the arts, and availed himself of every opportunity to enjoy these aspects of culture.

He is survived by his brother Nathaniel D. (Doris C.) Bushaw of Danbury, Conn.

A memorial service will take place in the spring at Christ Episcopal Church on Jefferson Avenue in Detroit.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or to Christ Episcopal Church, 960 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48207.

Samuel J. Catanese

City of Grosse Pointe resident Samuel J. Catanese, 94, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003.

Born in Louisiana in 1908, Mr. Catanese graduated in 1931 from the University of Detroit with a degree in electrical engineering.

He worked as an industrial engineer and consultant

until his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Rose; his daughters, Virginia Catanese, Barbara Catanese (George C.) Havlena and Rosemary Catanese; his sisters, Sarah Tuminello and Josephine Allen; and his brothers, Matthew, Anthony and Joseph.

Arrangements were made through the Cremation Society of Michigan.

Interment is in Historic Elmwood Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Natural Resources Defense Council, 40 W. 20th St., New York, NY 10011.

William Kent Chase

Grosse Pointe Woods resident William Kent Chase, 88, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2003, at St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Born in 1915 in Detroit, Mr. Chase graduated from the University of Michigan in 1938 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. While in college, Mr. Chase played goalie for the Varsity hockey team.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the battle of Iwo Jima.

He was the founder and former owner of The Chase Company General Contractors with his brother.

The company was responsible for building the Grosse Pointe Neighborhood Club, Parcels Middle School's pool, Harper Woods City Hall, the addition to Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church and the addition to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Mr. Chase was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club and various clubs involving fishing, golf and investments. He was a member of the parish of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church.

He was an avid University of Michigan football fan.

He is survived by his wife, Aralie; his daughters, Suzanne (Ernest) Werle and Nancy (Lowell) Davis; and his grandchildren, Michael and Heather Werle and Laura Davis.

He was predeceased by his twin brother, Edward C. Chase, Jr.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, Feb. 28, at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Anne Marie Costa

Grosse Pointe Park resident Anne Marie Costa, 79, passed away on Saturday, March 1, 2003, at Mount Clemens General Hospital.

Born in Indiana, Mrs. Costa graduated from Cass



Anne Marie Costa

Tech High School in 1941, where she majored in fine arts.

She was an accomplished artist at Wick & Willow Studio, where she also taught painting.

She is survived by her husband, Phillip, a retired fire chief of Grosse Pointe Park; her sons, Michael (Alix), Patrick, Phillip (Dawn) and David (Donna); and seven grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, March 5, at St. Ambrose Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Twp.

Arrangements were made by Bagnasco & Calcaterra Funeral Home in St. Clair Shores.

Alva Harrell

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Alva Harrell, 84, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003.

Born in 1919 in Kentucky, Mr. Harrell graduated from Southeastern High School in Detroit.

He served as a corporal in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He worked as a journeyman toolmaker for Bendix Machine Tool in Warren.

Mr. Harrell was a member of the UAW Local 155. He enjoyed traveling, gardening, jogging and woodworking.

He obtained his real estate license in 1985.

He is survived by his wife, Jennie; his sons, Robert (Clara), Benjamin (Allison) and Gerald (Barbara); his grandchildren, Robert, Anne, Julie, Tracy, Jeff, Leslie, Patti, Kelsey, McKensie, Jessica and Kelly; and five great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, March 1 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Macomb branch of the Hospice of Michigan.

James Motschall Sr.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident James Motschall Sr., 85, passed away on Sunday, March 2, 2003.

Born in Detroit in 1917, Mr. Motschall graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1939.

He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was the owner of James Motschall Printing Co. in Detroit until his retirement.

Mr. Motschall was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, a charter member of the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center, a member of the Detroit Yacht Club, and a founding club member of the Ave Maria University.

He enjoyed printing prayer cards and sending them throughout the world.

He is survived by his daughter, Pam; his sons, Jonathan and Jim Jr.; his five grandchildren; his three great-grandchildren; his sisters, Dorothy and Betty; and his brother, Dick.

He was predeceased by his wife, Patricia.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, March 4, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment is in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Father Solanus Center, 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Philip Patanis

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Philip Patanis, 72, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2003, at Bon Secours Nursing Care Center in St. Clair Shores.

Born in 1930 in Detroit, Mr. Patanis graduated from Southeastern High School in 1948.

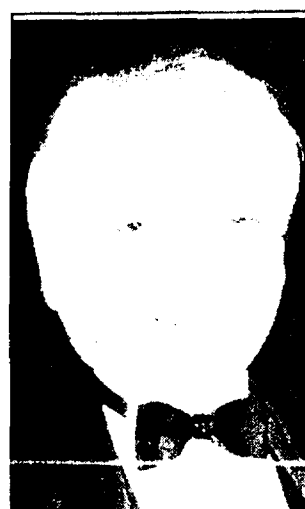
He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Patanis started Red Carpet Keim Shorewood Realty in Grosse Pointe Woods in 1969, where he was owner and broker.

He served on the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission for 33 years, was a member of the Grosse Pointe Crisis Club, the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, the VFW Bruce Post 1146, and a past member of the Kiwanis Club.

He enjoyed spending time with friends and family, playing cards and fishing.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Dolores; his daughter, DeAnn Marie (Edwin) Lukas; his son, Rick Philip (Lesar); his grandchild-



Philip Patanis

dren, Mackenzie Brooke Lukas and Spencer Philip Lukas; and his sister, Mary Patanis.

He was predeceased by his sister, Fortunate Lomasney.

A funeral service was held on Feb. 12 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Crisis Club, c/o Robert Hellrung Jr., treasurer, 1935 N. River Rd., Suite 17, St. Clair, MI 48079 or Bon Secours Nursing Care Center, 26001 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081.

Donald R. Reno

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Donald R. Reno, 75, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2003, at Bon Secours Hospital.

Born in 1927 in Grosse Pointe Farms, Mr. Reno worked for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms for 37 years as a sanitation engineer.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Reno enjoyed gardening, birds, hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; his daughter, Gail (Michael) Winston; his sons, Donald II (Kris) and Laurence (Amie); seven grandchildren; and his sisters, Laura (Ed) Baranek and Mary Jane Riegler.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, March 1.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to Elizabeth Reno, 338 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

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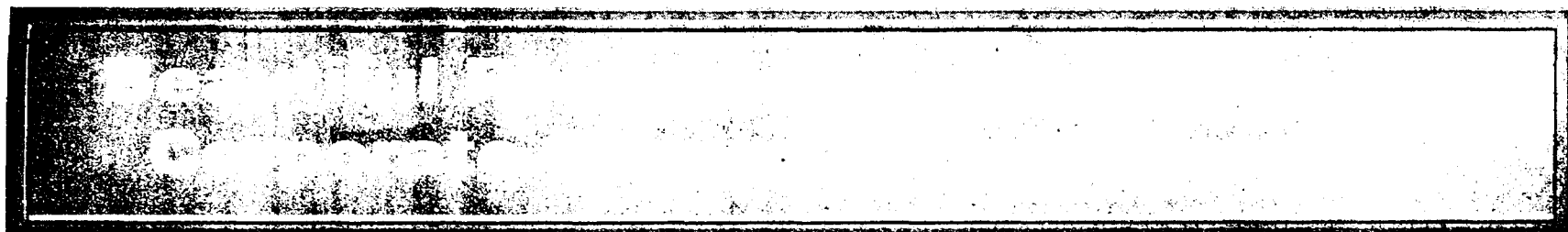
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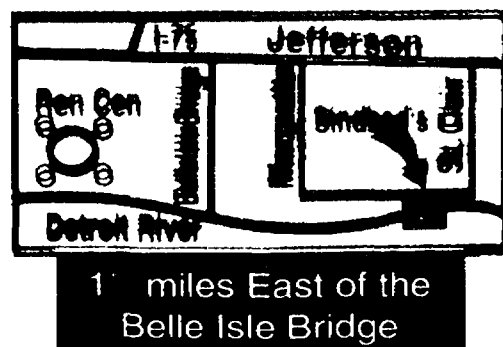
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Tax refund loans are packed with high fees and interest rates

By Mary Davis

This tax season, some 12 million taxpayers will take a short-term loan against their expected tax refunds.

Commercial tax preparers tout these tax refund loans — also known as refund anticipation loans (RALs) — as instant refunds and 24-hour refunds.

And like their cousins, the payday loan and the rent-to-

own schemes, RALs are fringe financial products that siphon money from the consumer by way of exorbitant fees.

In 2001, says the National Consumer Law Center (NCLC) and Consumer Federation of America (CFA), RAL customers paid more than \$907 million in RAL finance charges alone. They paid an additional

\$900 million in electronic filing fees and documentation preparation fees.

All told, a total of \$1.8 billion in RAL charges were levied in 2001.

To receive an RAL, borrowers typically pay three fees:

1) a federal and state tax form preparation fee, which costs between \$60 and \$300;

2) an electronic filing fee,

which averages about \$40 and

3) a loan finance charge which is assessed on a sliding scale based on the expected refund.

Borrowers typically will pay between \$29 and \$89 in finance charges that, when annualized, will range from 67-774 percent.

The total amount of the three fees, according to the study, can be anywhere from \$129 to \$429.

Why the demand for RALs? Two reasons: speed and convenience.

An RAL puts the refund in the consumer's hand in one to two days, compared to 10 days for an electronically-filed return and six to eight weeks for a return filed by mail.

RALs are popular with some consumers because they provide rapid access to cash to pay for a big-ticket item or a vacation.

But for millions of low-income families, RALs are quick money to pay for food and shelter, and even the cost of preparing their tax forms.

How RALs work

The commercial filer sets up a temporary account at a partner bank for the borrower to receive his or her refund from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

After the IRS deposits the refund into the account, the bank deducts the service and loan fees, issues the difference to the refund recipient and then closes the account.

Should the IRS hold back part or all of the refund because of an outstanding student loan or delinquent child support payments, the consumer is responsible for the whole loan.

Even more disturbing, if a mistake is made on the tax return and the IRS issues a smaller refund than antici-

pated, the RAL borrower is still responsible for the loan.

Working poor hit hard

Consumer groups estimate that 40 percent of RAL customers receive the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), a special tax benefit for individuals and families who earn low to moderate incomes.

The EITC program is the nation's largest anti-poverty program.

Low-income workers use commercial filers because limited education, literacy and language barriers prevent them from completing the complex EITC forms on their own. And they pay dearly for it.

The NCLC estimates that working poor consumers paid out roughly \$1.2 billion in tax preparation, electronic filing and RAL fees in 2001.

Based on national averages, the EITC taxpayer who used a commercial tax preparer and secured an RAL paid \$248 in loan fees, electronic and documentation fees for a refund of \$1,600.

Before agreeing to take out a triple-digit RAL to pay for something you want, stop and ask yourself these questions:

- How much will I pay for the loan?
- Is the item worth the exorbitant interest rate?
- What does the loan do for me?
- If my tax preparer makes a mistake on my return and I receive a smaller refund, will my payment terms change?

If you have an outstanding bill, ask your debtor for an extension, or borrow the money from family and friends.

As a last resort, take a cash advance on your credit card. You'll likely pay less in interest for a cash advance

than you will for an RAL.

Free online tax services

The fastest way to get your refund is to file electronically because your refund can be deposited directly into your credit union or bank account.

This tax season 78 million people will be able to file their taxes online for free.

The online tax preparation and electronic filing service is called Free File and is accessible from the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov.

The services are provided by commercial companies, and there are eligibility requirements such as age, adjusted gross income, state residency and military status.

You must also meet further eligibility requirements to file Form 1040EZ and EITC forms.

Once you choose a particular company, you will be sent directly to the company's commercial Web site. Any questions about a particular service or company should be directed to the company providing the free service, not the IRS.

There's help available

Low-income taxpayers can get free tax assistance through the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

These programs operate out of libraries, community centers and certain credit unions.

For the nearest VITA site, phone the IRS toll free at (800) 227-7669. AARP sponsors volunteer tax aid locations for low and moderate-income taxpayers.

To search for local sites, visit www.aarp.org/taxaide and click on "find the tax help center nearest you."

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

Step to better financial future

With the recent volatility in the stock market, consumers are left wondering how to safeguard their money.

While there is no magic formula that can ensure a bright financial future, individuals need to understand their finances in order to control them.

Recent studies indicate that most Americans could stand to improve their financial skills.

In one test of financial knowledge, adults scored 57 percent on average and high school students scored 51 percent.

Seeking to help consumers in this regard, America's Community Bankers has introduced a program called Money Rules, aimed at helping individuals become more savvy about finances.

The program deals with issues such as credit, savings and emergency planning.

"Understanding the rules of money is important when it comes to achieving such goals as obtaining a home, an education, a car or a secure retirement. We want to help consumers better understand how to budget, save, invest, borrow and spend wisely to achieve their financial goals," said Diane M. Casey, president and CEO, America's Community Bankers.

Credit cards

Credit cards are just like a loan — you have to pay what you owe plus interest. In addition, credit cards carry a higher interest rate than car, home equity and mortgage loans.

When shopping for a credit card, you should evaluate all fees, as well as both the introductory and regular interest rate.

Remember that if you only make minimum payments on your credit card, you may never pay off the

debt.

Try setting up a payment calendar and work toward paying off your balance.

If you mail your bills, you should do this at least five business days before they are due; this will help you avoid expensive — and should unnecessary — late fees and other charges.

Saving for Retirement and Emergencies

Ideally, you should be saving some percentage of your annual income for retirement.

Many financial professionals advise saving 5 percent of your income, but no amount of savings is too small and it's never too late to begin.

In many cases, it will take 80 percent of your pre-retirement income to maintain your current lifestyle during retirement.

You should also have a minimum of three months in income set aside to carry you through such emergencies as illness or job loss.

Experts recommend emergency funds not be kept in stocks, but rather in regular savings accounts, money market funds and certificates of deposit.

Checking accounts

A checking account with your local community bank may help you save money by avoiding costly check cashing fees, and also by making it easier for you to itemize and budget.

Checking accounts at your local community bank also offer the convenience and security of direct deposits, as well as FDIC insurance.

Simple tax tips can save you money

By David Uffington

As we're deep into tax season, I thought I'd pass on a few tax tips that will save you money on your return.

- You, or your children, or even your elderly parents might not technically be required to file a tax return, but if you worked for wages and/or had federal taxes withheld, the only way you can recover those federal taxes is to file a return and claim a refund.

For more information, see IRS Publications No. 4 (Student's Tax Guide) and No. 554 (Older Americans' Tax Guide).

- You can use the "Head of Household" filing status even when your ex-spouse claims the child as a deduction.

You may have negotiated the tax deductions available to your ex-spouse during the divorce (usually allowed when the ex makes timely child support payments), but you can still use the Head of Household filing status if the children actually reside with you and you have physical custody of them.

- Don't report too much wage income: If you participate in a deferred compensation plan at your place of employment — 401(k), 403(b), etc. — remember to report as wages only the amount reported to you in Box 1 of your W-2 form.

Don't report the salary that you actually earned.

- Don't report interest earned on Series E, EE, or Treasury bonds/bills/notes on your state tax return:

Remember that, while this interest is taxable for federal purposes, it is not taxable for state purposes.

Remember to make the appropriate adjustment on your state tax return.

- Maximize your IRA contributions: Did you know that alimony received is considered "earned income" for IRA contribution purposes?

Or that even if your spouse is a homemaker with no W-2 earned income, you might still be able to make a full \$2,000 IRA contribution for him/her?

(These contributions may

or may not be deductible, depending on your individual circumstances). And, if you made Roth IRA contributions or conversions, be sure to keep track of them.

It will be very important if you find that you ever have to take an "early" distribution from your Roth IRA.

IRS Publication 590 covers all forms of IRAs.

— King Features Syndicate

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

City of Grosse Pointe Residents
are invited to a
TOWN MEETING
for the
City of Grosse Pointe Master Plan Update
Tuesday, March 25, 2003
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Grosse Pointe War Memorial

The City of Grosse Pointe is hosting a workshop to obtain your ideas for the future. The object of the Town Meeting is to solicit ideas from the stakeholders of the area and to build consensus regarding the future land use and development of the City.

If you have any questions, please contact
John Jackson, City Planning Consultant at (248) 596-0920.

GPN: 03/06/2003, 03/13/2003, & 03/20/2003

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan will be in session in the Municipal Building, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, for the purpose of reviewing the 2003 assessment roll:

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2003

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2003

The board will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., recessing from noon to 1:00 p.m., and again from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Hearings are by appointment only. Contact the City of Grosse Pointe Park at 822-4361.

Resident taxpayers or their representative should appear in person. Written appeals will be accepted postmarked no later than March 31, 2003.

BOARD OF REVIEW
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK
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Market trading stalled around 8,000 on Dow Jones index

The Dow has been stuck in a five-week trading range of 7,800 to 8,000 on extremely low volume.

Investors have withdrawn, leaving the volatile market to traders.

Last week, the D.J. slipped 127 points, or only 1.6 percent, closing at 7,891.

The NASDAQ Composite was lethargic, drifting 11 points to 1,338.

Some floor traders expect the Iraqi fireworks to begin around mid-March, not the best time for aerial bombing, because the full moon is March 18.



By Joseph Mengden

So, "Mirror, mirror and the wall, tell us what you'll do this fall?"

Last week, LTS phoned long-time friend Jim Leonard, CFA, managing partner of Highwood Partners L.P., a highly successful Detroit-area hedge fund, now celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Highwood's primary objective in bull markets is to outperform the market and in bear markets is to preserve capital.

Over the epic three-year bear market, it did more than preserve capital, it actually grew it! (In the interest of full disclosure, LTS is not a partner of Highwood but wishes he had been.)

Leonard said he is positive on the market, past Iraq. If you think the market has problems now, remember back to 1967-68.

In 1967, the United States was stuck in Vietnam with the Chinese across the river and the Arab-Israeli war threatened to spill all over the Middle East.

Let's talk...STOCKS

Here in Detroit, we had race riots, while students were protesting on campuses nationwide.

Remember the 1968 Chicago Democratic convention riot, the Soviet tanks in downtown Prague and the assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy?

The Dow started 1967 at around 800, rising 11.2 percent to the 900 level by year-end 1967, then closed the following year-end 1968, up again another 11.2 percent to the 1,000 level.

Jim Leonard's technical analysis shows the market has a similar resiliency now.

Now where did that mirror go?

Which telephone?

LTS has four telephones: a home base with six extensions, the answering machine, caller ID and call-

waiting, the separate fax line and two cell phones.

With eight combined children and 10 grandchildren, LTS and Mrs. LTS are considered an "attractive telephone account."

Several years ago, we disconnected the San Antonio phone company, and immediately were inundated by all kinds of "Y'all come back" deals, including a \$100 check, which we didn't cash!

About 10 days ago, a 6-by-9 postcard arrived, requesting us to "Reconnect by 3/3/03," offering us a

- \$50 gift card, a free six months Privacy Manager;
- free four months SBC Yahoo Dial-up Internet Access;
- 12 months SBC Yahoo DSL Internet Access for \$29.95/month and
- free reconnection to SBC local phone service.

The footnotes describing the above offer, including

forfeitures, covenants and penalties, were described in 537 words of legalese and in type so small a library magnifier was needed to decipher the words.

Since LTS already has the much faster and far superior Comcast Digital Internet Service, we deposited the SBC postcard in the circular basket.

Last week, LTS switched our land-based phone lines from MCI, the subsidiary of WorldCom (WCOEQ, quoted about 14 cents in the "OTC Pink Sheets"), currently in bankruptcy, after management scandals and financial chicanery.

Hemline indicator

The daily and Sunday New York Times fashion sections have been previewing the spring showings of the couturiers in Rome, Milan, Monaco, Paris and London.

The reviews, with color photographs, confirm that in 2003, shorter skirts are "in" by 4 or 5 inches above the knee.

Wall Street's "Hemline Indicator" has long held that shorter skirts (above the knee) indicate a nearby "up" stock market, while longer skirts (below the knee) indicate a nearby "down" stock market.

Onward and upward!

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 2/28/03

Dow Jones Ind.	7,891
Nasdaq Comp.	1,338
S&P 500 Index	841
\$ in EUROS	1.0800
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	36.60
Gold (Oz.)	350.20
3-Mo. T-Bills	1.19%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	4.67%

Sign of the times

LTS saw the following sign posted on a gasoline pump last week, "Personal checks over \$50 will no longer be accepted."

"That must be really tough on the SUV drivers," LTS commented.

The cashier replied, "No problem, we just ask the drivers to make out two personal checks!"

City of Grosse Pointe resident Joseph Mengden is former chairman of First of Michigan. "Let's Talk Stocks" is sponsored by the following Grosse Pointe investment-related firms: John M. Rickel, CPA, P.C.; Rickel & Baun P.C.; and Investment Counsel Inc.

A real case of the smarts — IQ Society

If the day before two days after the day before tomorrow is Monday, what day is today?

Good luck!

Andrew Nierman, a doctoral candidate in computer science at the University of Michigan, didn't need luck. He knew the answer to that question and to 21 out of 24 other questions to become the "World's Smartest Man."

The High IQ Society administered the test, which had no time limits and allows the use of outside resources. It took Nierman several months to complete the test. He was declared the winner last January.

Now I'm sure you're thinking that if you had all the time in the world, you could do it. But here is my caution. There are three questions that no one has ever answered. That's ever, as in never. The highest anyone else had ever scored before Nierman was 20. The score for the typical math professor in college is estimated by the society to be about 10. Out of the 100,000 who took the challenge, half did not get even one question right. Not one right answer. Make sure

Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



your ego can handle the despair.

I haven't taken the test, wisely knowing my own limitations. If the tests I took had no time limit, I'd still be in fifth grade. However, you can take a whirl at it. Just visit www.hiqsociety.org.

Please note, the society doesn't recommend you try the test unless your IQ is in the top 1 percent of the population. It does not say the population of what (the United States, the world or the universe).

You will also find a scoreboard at the Web site listing the high score and other interesting information, especially about the High IQ Society.

And remember this little tidbit I picked up somewhere. Just because you're intelligent, it doesn't make you smart. Look at Microsoft billionaire Bill

Gates. OK, I guess that's a bad example.

Speaking of smart, I got my bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. But my MBA came from Harvard, and my doctorate is from Yale.

"Yeah, right," you say? I have the diplomas to prove it, and you won't be able to tell the difference between the real and ... oops.

There are several places on the Internet that offer diploma certificates from just about any university in the world. And, of course, with today's computers, printers and matched watermark/parchment paper, you can make anything look like the real deal.

Some states, including Illinois and North Dakota, are attempting to make it illegal to present fake academic documents for a job.

Right now, corporations and universities estimate that 1 percent of all the credentials presented to them are fake.

How can you protect your business?

Check the documents against others you may have received from other applicants.

Be suspicious if the document is not mailed by a university's registrar, but delivered by the student. You should take the time to make a quick phone call to the university rather than accept the document at face value.

The Web sites that offer these documents, and I won't tell you who they are, identify them as "gag" gifts, only to be used for "personal enjoyment and amusement."

Of course, they are. That's why they need the exact parchment paper with the appropriate watermark, right? Maybe I should take the test.

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.

Business People

Grosse Pointe Park resident Janet Graham has received national recognition from the Association of Legal 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 business.



Burns

Beverly Hall Burns has been elected to the board of trustees of the Michigan Women's Foundation.

Burns, a principle with the Detroit law office of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, is a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe. In 1997, "Crain's Detroit Business" named her one of Detroit's most influential women.

The women's foundation promotes economic self sufficiency and personal well-being for woman and girls. It provides assistance to nonprofit organizations.

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

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

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

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 five 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 \$27 million expansion.

Bury held various sales, marketing and external affairs positions during a 20-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 information technology management from Michigan State University.



Bury

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 fund-raising 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.



Smiley

Rae Dumke, executive director of the Michigan Society of the American Institute of Architects, has been elected chairman of the Michigan Society of Association Executives. Her term ends July 2003.

The organization has served the association management and meetings industries since 1927, and today has a membership consisting of more than 700 executives in Michigan's association and nonprofit communities.

Dumke has served MSAE as chairman-elect, secretary and board member. She has served as executive director of AIA Michigan since the early 1980s. She lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.

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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:	
Commercial Property	1.000
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

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

Wayne County

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

The Property Assessment Roll of the City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, for the year 2003 has been compiled. The estimated State-Equalization factor for 2003 is 1.0000 Residential and 1.0000 Commercial. The taxable value increase is limited to 1.5% unless ownership of the property was transferred in 2002. Therefore, in accordance with the General Property Tax laws of the State of Michigan and Section 35, of the City Charter, as amended:

The Board of Review

will meet

Tuesday, March 18, 2003

and

Wednesday, March 19, 2003

March 18, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
and March 19, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Such meeting will be held at the Municipal Offices, 17147 Maumee

Karen A. Johnson,

G.P.N.: 02/27/03, 03/06/03 & 03/13/03 Assessor

Snowcoming Week a great success for HW Middle School

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Harper Woods Middle School students participated in a celebration called Snowcoming Week from Wednesday, Feb. 26, to Friday, Feb. 28.

"It went really well. We have a really good group," said the event's chair Sheree Burns, an eighth-grade math teacher. "The kids have a lot of fun. They're excited about the activities."

Sort of like a mid-winter homecoming for younger students at the secondary school, the event was comprised of a team day in which students dressed up with clothes from their favorite sports team, a pajama day in which they

came to school in their pj's and a color day in which they went to school in an array of shades.

The students participated in the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients fundraising event during the week. They raised approximately \$200. June Teisan's seventh grade class raised the most money, about \$32.

On Friday, Feb. 28, advisories, the different homerooms, competed against each other in various games, such as tug of war and relays.

"Everyone was hyper and happy," Amanda Harris said of the assembly. "It was cool."

The week was capped off by a dance on Friday night.

Students donned formal attire. The advisory winners for all the events were announced and the Snowcoming Court was named. June Teisan's advisory won for the seventh grade, and Alison Race's advisory won for the eighth grade.

Students elected to the Snowcoming Court were seventh-graders Billy Osborn, Katie Sculz, Mike Marlin, Amanda Herman, Anthony Bever, Rachel Paluch, Kyle Smith, Sarah Deramo and eighth-graders Jake Cobb, Kim Sparks, Justin Mayer, Stephanie Schoof, John Marchese, Dabby Benites, James Fox, Amanda Harris, Mike Symons and Joan Meserve.

"It's always incredible," Race said of the week. "The kids start to act as a team."



From the left, eighth graders Lindsay Liefief, Amanda Cherry and another student enjoyed themselves at the Snowcoming Week dance on Friday, Feb. 28.

Seussical

Photo by Carrie Cunningham

Harper Woods Secondary School senior Steve Savalle, right, painted a chair with Dr. Seuss, a fish and bubbles on it for the Harper Woods Secondary School media center. Savalle was inspired by the illustrations in Dr. Seuss' book "A Cat in the Hat." He used tape when he painted different colors to keep the images neat. "I'm a perfectionist," Savalle said. Dr. Seuss is done in black and white, and red, blues and yellow gleam on the rest of the painted chair. Visitors and guests to the media center will have a fun and cozy place to sit, said media specialist Jan Bobak and assistant Sue Smitka.



Jennifer DeCoster on a quest to raises funds to fight leukemia

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

While many would become bogged down in despair when faced with the tragedy of a loved one succumbing to cancer, Jennifer DeCoster has decided to take action.

DeCoster's boyfriend, Keith Klempay, died of leukemia in October 2001. She misses him terribly. He always bolstered her emotionally in whatever she did.

and he was very selfless. "For someone as ill as he was, he had plenty of time to look out for how everyone else was doing," DeCoster said.

While he was fighting the disease, DeCoster organized a fundraiser for him called Friends Helping Friends in March of 2001.

After his death, she wanted to contribute more.

While perusing the Leukemia and Lymphoma

Society Web site in November 2002, she saw a description of the organization's Woman of the Year award, which calls for participants competing for the title to raise at least \$2,000 to fight blood related cancers. DeCoster decided to enlist in the effort to garner the award and fight the deadly disease.

"I got tired of sitting around and being angry over something I have no control over," she said. "I felt it was beneficial for me to go out and make an attempt to try and change things, to help families. Maybe they won't have to go through all of what I did."

DeCoster asked a childhood friend, Megan Toscas, to aid in her crusade.

"She called me up and said, 'I'm running this campaign, can you help me?' I said of course," said Toscas. "I know how important this is to her. Anything she asks

me to be involved in, I'm on board."

Toscas approached Harper Woods Secondary School, asking if the middle school would join in a Pennies for Patients fundraiser during their Snowcoming Week from Wednesday, Feb. 26 to Friday, Feb. 28. The school agreed. Students have contributed money in their home rooms.

"That was just a small way of my trying to get the community involved," DeCoster said. "Eventually it's going to get bigger than that. I'm going to have to stretch outside of Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe."

DeCoster has sent out letters to businesses like car dealerships and restaurants to sponsor her fundraising drive and perhaps donate an item for the society's June 20 Grand Finale, where there will be an auction with prizes. All gifts given by companies will be added

into her fundraising total, and the winner of the Woman of the Year will be announced the night of the 20th.

DeCoster hopes to raise between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Seventy five percent of the money raised will go directly to leukemia researchers, patient and community services, advocacy and education.

DeCoster is a 1997 graduate of Harper Woods Secondary School. She is undertaking this effort while working full time at

Mr. C's Car Wash in Harper Woods and taking classes at Macomb Community College, where she majors in automotive interiors design.

She plans to do color and trim work on cars after she completes her classes.

DeCoster beams with gratitude about having the chance to try to make a difference in the fight against cancer.

"It brings so much fulfillment to your life. You just get such a wonderful sense of well being," she said. "I would encourage anybody to get involved."

Book club widens minds

An after school book club for children in the fourth through sixth grades is meeting at the Harper Woods Public Library every Thursday at 4 p.m. through April. Cookies and juice go along with the meetings.

The group met last year from October until Christmas, where they read and discussed "Hatchet" by Gary Paulsen, "Shiloh" by Phyllis Naylor and "My America" by Mary Osbourne Pope.

The collection of eager readers continued on their reading odyssey in mid-January of this year. They have read "Summer of the Swans" by Betsy Byars. They are currently reading "Tuck Everlasting" by Natalie Babbitt and plan to delve into "Bridge to Terabithia" by Katherine Paterson starting March 6.

All books the group reads are Newberry Award win-

ners, a children's book honor. Following a reading and discussion session, the group watches a film adaptation of whatever book they are working on.

Library director Dale Parus says the program offers children a place to go after school if their parents happen to be working.

It can also broaden their intellectual horizons, Parus said.

"It promotes reading, and it gets them to start thinking about life, thinking about the different issues that come up," he said.

Youth Services librarian Nancy Maxson says the group allows students to get to know each other.

"They like getting together," she said. "Many kids go to the same school but didn't know each other."

When it started the group had three boys. Today, 17 children attend.

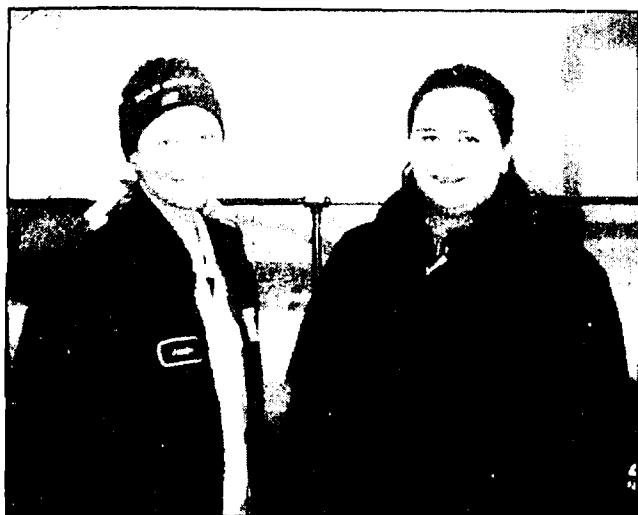


Photo by Carrie Cunningham

Jennifer DeCoster, left, hopes to raise \$10,000 to \$15,000 to fight leukemia. With her friend, Megan Toscas she has enlisted Harper Woods Middle School in a Penny for Patients fund raising drive.

BPO's Mom-to Mom-Sale

The Beacon Parent Organization is sponsoring a Mom-to-Mom Sale on Saturday, March 29, at Harper Woods Secondary School. Residents can sell

clothes, toys, books, games and baby gear that they no longer need. The organization is now accepting applications. An eight foot table rents for \$15 and rack space for \$3. Ten percent of total sales for big ticket items will go to the organization. Food will be available and 50/50 raffles will occur every hour. Additionally, a bake sale will take place, and a taste test of recipes from the Beacon Family Cookbook will transpire. The cook book will be on sale as well as cookie markers.

To rent a table, or for more information, call Denise Rogers at (313) 882-3297. Applications can also be gotten off the internet at www.mom2momlist.com.

Police Briefs

Car vandalism

On Thursday, Feb. 27, a woman said she was driving east on Vernier passing north Harper when a dark SUV pulled along side the passenger side of her vehicle and threw an unknown object at her vehicle. The woman took down the license plate of the vehicle.

When she pulled over, she found the object to be an unknown red/orange liquid.

The woman called 911 and contacted the police the next day at 6:15 p.m.

Library graffiti

A library staff member checked the men's bathroom of the library on the 19600 block of Harper at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 28, and found it was clean.

When he checked it again at 5 p.m. he found graffiti and feces on the wall.

Police were informed the same day, and they took

pictures of the vandalism.

Car ransacked

The owner of a party store on the 19300 block of Kelly said he parked his car in front of his store at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 1. He was unsure if he locked the vehicle.

When he went to his car at 11 p.m., he found the vehicle ransacked. He said items were stolen, but there was no sign of forced entry. Police were contacted shortly after 11 p.m.

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

BOARD OF REVIEW

Meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2003 Assessment Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003
from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
and
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

and

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2003
from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
and
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236. Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at 885-6600, Ext. 252.

Tim O'Donnell,
City Assessor

GPN: 02/27/03, 03/06/03, 03/13/03 & 03/20/03

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 19, 2003

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Council persons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED:

1. To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on February 3, 2003, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustees Employment Retirement System Meeting held February 10, 2003.
2. To open the Public Hearing on the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program.
3. To close the Public Hearing on the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program.
4. To table the scheduled 2003 Goal Setting Session until March 17, 2003.
5. That the agenda of the Regular City Council Meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

1. To approve the following items in the Consent Agenda:
a. Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 66253 through 66363 in the amount of \$493,893.69 as submitted by the City Manager, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
2. To adopt the 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program as follows:
Administration \$11,020.00, SOC Minor Home Repairs \$39,715.00, Kelly Road Improvements \$33,900.00, Pointe Area Assisted Transit Svc. (Handicapped Transportation) \$25,475.00, TOTAL \$110,110.00.
3. To adopt the Resolution Urging Congress to Provide Michigan its Share of Federal Transit Funding and for Greater Funding for Bus Project.
4. To approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$128,718.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for second quarter, January through March, of FY 2003.

Kenneth A. Poynter,
Mayor

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

GPN: 03/06/2003



Real Estate

By Alex M. Lucido

THE PERILS OF OVER IMPROVING

You can make many mistakes trying to sell your own home. One of them is making the wrong improvements. Many times, an expensive addition or repair can be the kind of thing that can cost you far more than you get back.

True, the house should present a favorable appearance - mowed lawn, trimmed shrubs, and no obvious indication of neglect, but it's rare when a large financial improvement will bring more than its cost in the final selling price.

There is always the risk of being over budget. Home repair costs frequently end up a lot higher than

originally anticipated. You may end up with a faster sale and less inconvenience if you lower the selling price an equivalent amount. Instead of guessing as to how much, if any, repair work to undertake, call our office. We can tell you what to do to make your home more saleable - and what not to do so you won't lose money.

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March 6, 2003

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Vincent van Gogh's landscapes of vibrant yellow fields, red poppies and swirling blue skies are fresher than they look.

"The paint is not even completely dry because it is so thick," said Dorothee Hansen, curator from the Kunsthalle Bremen in Germany. "It contains so much oil, it's not yet dry after more than 100 years."

Hansen was describing globs of bright red paint that fashion van Gogh's 1889 masterpiece, "Field with Poppies."

The painting is the Kunsthalle's pride, and one of the cornerstones on which a first-of-its-kind exhibition of van Gogh's landscapes has been formed and made its only stop in North America.

"Van Gogh: Fields" will continue through May 18 at the Toledo Museum of Art. More than 300,000 patrons saw the highly selective collection of 22 paintings and five watercolors last year in Germany.

Hansen thought for a moment, then smiled at finding words to describe an artist close to her heart.

"We need so many words to say what van Gogh could say in just one picture," she apologized in an accented voice that was soft and measured, yet firm in its endorsement of the artist's intensity. "For van Gogh the landscape, and especially fields, were open to so many different meanings."

More than 800 of van Gogh's letters survive to help scholars interpret his paintings.

"In a passage about his picture of a reaper and the wheat field, he says the reaper means death and wheat means people who are cut by death," Hansen said. "The sower means hope for the future because the wheat will grow again."

"Fields" displays panoramas of remarkable optimism for an artist who shot himself in a wheat field at age 37.

"He was a lonely individual, but found solace in the landscape," said Larry Nichols, Toledo museum's curator of European paintings before 1900. "He experienced in the presence of nature a suggestion of the totality of life, its cycles of birth and death, the seasons and the possibility for the eternity. He imbued his images of the field with the potential for symbolic interpretation, invoking in the passage of time humankind's place in the larger whole of creation."

Heady stuff, but why another van Gogh exhibition? Only three years ago, the Detroit Institute of Arts hosted a showing of van Gogh's portraits. It was wildly popular.

"There hasn't been an exhibition exclusively of landscapes by van Gogh," Nichols said. "In this exhibit, you will see an intense focus from beginning to end. Like the show on van Gogh portraiture, this exhibit takes a subject matter — comprehensively, from beginning to end

and with choice, chosen examples demonstrate why landscape was so important to him."

"Fields" includes works from 20 institutions and anonymous private collectors as far away as Amsterdam and Honolulu, and as near as Toledo's own "Wheat Fields with Reapers," painted the month van Gogh died.

"The idea for the exhibition was born about five years ago," said Roger Berkowitz, director of the Toledo museum. "It has come to pass magnificently."

Van Gogh spent the last decade of his life painting. Before that, he shifted focus. For a while, he taught Bible history. In his first sermon, he preached, "There is no death that is not mixed with hope, there is only a constantly going from darkness to light."

Van Gogh's life and art, like the sermon, preached movement from dark to light, from the cold dampness of his native Holland to the searing summers of southern France; from the earth tones and puddled fields of "Landscape (Fields near Etten)" (1887), to the brilliant yellow cornflowers, vortex of green foliage and blue distant hills of "Wheat Field with Cornflowers," (July, 1890). Both paintings are in "Fields."

The sermon seems like a blueprint for van Gogh's struggles to come.

"There is sorrow in the hour of death, but there is also joy unspeakable when it is the hour of death of one who has fought a good fight," he preached.

"He was extremely honest," Hansen said. "He offended all the people with whom he was dealing."

The Germans have a word for it: *verruckt*.

"It means you are out of line," laughed Wulf Herzogenrath, director of the Kunsthalle Bremen.

"Van Gogh was looking for his life. He said, 'There must be something else I'm looking for.' People understand this fight for life."

Van Gogh's greatest accomplishment was himself, a complex but human character, plugging away relentlessly and almost obscurely under the hot summer sun and on frozen winter fields.



Photos of "Field with Poppies" by Brad Lindberg

The action in a Vincent van Gogh landscape often moves along a diagonal line from lower left to upper right, as in "Wheat Fields with Reaper," from Toledo Museum of Art, top, and "Field with Poppies," from the Kunsthalle Bremen, middle. At right, a side-closet of the Bremen painting shows the thickness of paint used to represent the poppies. At left, a closet of "Wheat Field: The Sheaves," from the Honolulu Academy of Art.

His intensity resulted in strangely optimistic landscapes of bright colors and frenetic design. All this was captured during a quick, 10-year career that, like a comet on a cloudy night, was hardly noticed at the time but will outlive us all.

In van Gogh's creative genius we glimpse the persistence of Homer's Ulysses, the frailty of Shakespeare's Hamlet, and our own yearning for good.

"He sought hope and he found a degree of peace of mind in the creative act," Nichols said. "His art is redolent of joy and hope. It's astounding to read this man write that maybe death isn't the end."

"If I had no love for nature in my work, I should indeed be misfortunate," van Gogh wrote eight years before committing suicide. "The worse I get along with people, the more I learn to have faith in nature and concentrate on her. All those things make me feel

brighter and fresher."

Van Gogh never conquered his personal struggles. But "Fields" is about bringing life to painting, not van Gogh's death.

"Starting with the Bremen painting ('Field with Poppies'), which is the key point in this exhibition, there is a new way of bringing perspective to the flatness of painting," said Herzogenrath, raising his open palms to his chest.

Through color, perspective, strength of brushstroke and paint applied in varied thickness to build physical depth on canvas, van Gogh learned to record expansive visions through a two-dimensional medium.

"He solved the (artistic) problem he was looking and fighting for," Herzogenrath said. "His art is different from his terrible illness. No one could cure that. But his art — he cured for himself."

"Van Gogh: Fields," with major funding by KeyBank



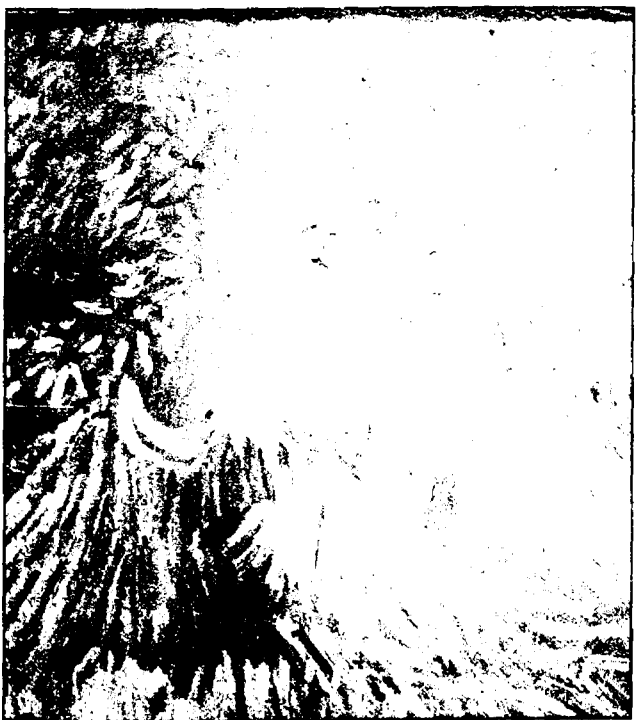
and an indemnity from the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, runs at the Toledo Museum of Art through May 18.

Admission to the museum's general collection is free. Timed tickets for "Van Gogh: Fields" cost \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors ages 65 and up, university students with ID, and students and children ages six to 18, and free for children under

five. Audio tours cost an additional \$4.

The exhibition will be open for docent-guided tours from 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday-Friday. Public hours are: Tuesday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and closed Mondays.

The museum is located at 2445 Monroe Street, with exits posted off I-75.



Grosse Pointe War Memorial salutes senior fitness

Editor's note: This is the third article in a series of five about exercise programs for people 50 years or more. This highlights the programs offered at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

By Mimi Drennan
Special Writer

There are so many fitness activities offered to seniors at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, it just takes a determined decision to choose the right one for your particular needs.

For example, the Feldenkrais (rais rhymes with rice) Method, taught by Ross Fazio on Saturdays from 10 to 11 a.m. focuses on how movement is organized by the neuromuscular system.



Susan Smith

The method was developed by Moshe Feldenkrais, D.Sc., a mechanical engineer and physicist, who worked in nuclear research with Nobel laureate Frederic Joliot-Curie. Feldenkrais was the first European to earn a black belt in judo. Combining his training with his curiosity and study of linguistics, biology, neurology, perinatal development and athletics, he taught himself to walk without pain following a crippling knee injury. His method teaches better use of the entire body and reduces unnecessary pain and strain so the body moves with greater ease, comfort and coordination.

Lessons are taught lying on the floor, sitting or standing.

This form of exercise improves the ability to regulate the body through mental attention and is paced at an individual level of practice — more relaxed than yoga movements. It also helps improve balance, mobility and coordination.

Grosse Pointer Marilyn Richardson, who has been a student of the method for more than a year, commented, "this is marvelous exercise. It's very easy on the body — a gradual movement with no exertion — and it doesn't hurt after class is over. With these instructions (Feldenkrais), I can move at my own pace. It's good for me."

Kathleen and Mark Wilk have been attending classes for three years.

"I work a 20-hour day," Wilk said. "This technique helps me relax and overcome stress — and I can move better." Another student, Madeleine Dwaihy of Grosse Pointe, explained: "My physician recommended Feldenkrais because of my back problem. This is my fourth class, and I've never felt better — I've learned about my pain limits and how to move in less painful ways."

Instructor Fazio has been teaching the Feldenkrais Method for 3 1/2 years. He is a personal fitness trainer who has taught individually, at Bon Secours Hospital, and at area health clubs. His enthusiasm was evident when he said, "I like teaching Feldenkrais. It's a great program. It helps people become more aware of how they move and helps them develop a better sense of when movements are poorly organized and how to improve them."

Shall we dance?

Shall we dance? For a student in "Jackie's Aerobic Dancing" classes, instructed by Martha Popovich, that's not a question — it's a requisite. And it's great fun for all as Popovich guides them through a variety of diverse dance steps to the strains of popular but mellow music. It's not the usual hip-hop, jump-up-and-down aerobics class with brisk movements done to modern rock or fast-paced music, but a more relaxed form of workout with a limbering warm up session, mat exercises using hand held light weights and/or ankle weights, and stimulating dance routines instructed by Popovich.

As a preventive measure, after each routine the students check their heart rates — no need to get over-worked in these classes.

Grosse Pointe Park resident, Kathy Frakes, has been a loyal class member for 23 years, and she said, "After a session, I feel better all day — I have energy plus. And we build great friendships in these classes, too."

Frakes, mother of four, with eight grandchildren, attends aerobics classes three days each week.

"These aerobics classes are patterned after the Jackie Sorensen Method," Popovich said. "I've been teaching aerobics for 21 years, the last 15 using Jackie's videos, CDs and written material."

Sorensen, wife of an Air Force pilot, was named a member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness during the Kennedy administration after her successful instruction of Air Force wives with exercise through aerobic dancing. Her franchised method has been a popular fitness program for more than 30 years.

Firming the body, strengthening the cardiovascular system, reducing stress and increasing energy levels are the goals of these aerobics, especially choreographed for seniors. The use of light weights is particularly important, as they are helpful with promoting muscle tone and preventing osteoporosis.

An eager student since 1988, Marel Thomas of Grosse Pointe Farms, attends aerobics classes two days a week.

"This group is so loyal and supportive — I'm always happy to be here. It's special. Not only for the exhilarating exercise and friendships we make, but just look at the view."

Classes are held in the War Memorial ballroom that overlooks Lake St. Clair.

"I just feel better after each session," said Mary Lou Jantz, who is a 20-year aerobics veteran. "We can do the routines at our own pace. Martha (Popovich) is very flexible and a great teacher — always smiling. Coming here is terrific! And we have a fine support group."

Popovich is not hesitant when she exclaims that teaching aerobics is her favorite pastime, "I love this program. It's particularly helpful for seniors, both men and women, for individual coordination, overall body fitness, concentration, energy and camaraderie — the

people and the fun that we have here. It's an all-around, healthy atmosphere."

Tai Chi

An ancient Chinese martial art, Tai Chi, is studied today as a relaxing method to develop balance and to improve flexibility and lower body strength. It provides a rich and rewarding way for the student to achieve the ultimate in vitality, health and internal power. The Tai Chi method, instructed at the War Memorial by Susan Smith, herself a student of Chinese culture, is based on the Yang Tai Chi teaching of Internal Discipline.

"It enables the student to initiate movements from the internal core of the body, the abdomen and the back, rather than the external parts of the body or the limbs," Smith said.

To the relaxing, melodious strains of "Chinese Lullabies," Smith leads her class in the art of graceful movement using the hands, arms, upper body, abdomen, pelvis, legs and feet — embodying the yin and yang.

"Yin and yang stresses that every entity needs to coexist and interact with a counter part of opposite nature in order to achieve balance and vitality," Smith said. "For every internal movement, a moving part of the body — the yang — works against a stationary part — the yin — to provide support and power for the move."

Grosse Pointer, Marie Trojanowski, a recent Tai Chi student, enjoys the classes, "for the muscle tone and the strength in my legs. It's such a relaxing, graceful way to exercise."

"I've learned to stand on one leg," smiled Jeannette Van Wiermeersch, a long-time student of Tai Chi, who has attended the War Memorial sessions for the past eight years. "Many physicians have recommended Tai Chi for their senior patients," she continued. "It also helps with concentration and breathing."

Photos by Robert McKean

Jeannette Van Wiermeersch, at the right, has been attending Tai Chi classes for 8 years. Angie Pierzinski, below, has been practicing Tai Chi for 4 years.



Pat Penoyar had this to say. "My lower body strength is improved. My balance was terrible before I started coming to class. Now everything works better — and it (Tai Chi) works well with my yoga class, too."

A four-year student, Angie Pierzinski, said, "Tai Chi is individualized — it works differently for each person. Mentally, it's a wonderful escape — physically, it loosens the joints and keeps the body limber and mobile. It's great for me."

Smith concluded: "Tai Chi calmly keeps the student in

touch with the body. It improves balance, relaxes the upper body, strengthens the lower body and is very helpful with coordination. When the movements are performed correctly, one feels the sensations of stretching and intense energy flowing through the relaxed body."

For more information about these senior and other fitness classes, spring schedule dates, times and rates, contact the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at (313) 881-7511.

Meetings

Rose Society

The Grosse Pointe Rose Society will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, at the Neighborhood Club. The program will be speaker Joyce Janicke, Master Gardener. Janicke is developing a nature sanctuary for the city of St. Clair Shores. She will discuss native Michigan plants. For more information, call (586) 773-5609.

Detroit

Garden Center

The Detroit Garden Center's annual luncheon and program will be held on Sunday, March 16, in the Dossin Museum's DeRoy Auditorium on Belle Isle. Suzan Campbell, naturalist with the Belle Isle Nature Center, will discuss native Michigan plants and show slides. Luncheon will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.; program is 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$22 for lunch and program for members; \$27

for nonmembers. Program only is \$5 for members; \$10 for nonmembers. For directions or to register, call (313) 259-6363, fax (313) 259-0107 or e-mail detroitgardentr@yahoo.com.

Shores

Garden Club

The Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club will meet on Friday, March 7, at the Children's Home of Detroit. Linda Wells of the Detroit Institute of Arts will speak on "Flowers in Art."

Herb Society

The Grosse Pointe unit of the Herb Society of America will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, at the Children's Home of Detroit in the first floor Conference Room. Author Colleen Dodd will talk about aromatherapy of the 21st Century. For more information, call (586) 773-6682. Visitors are welcome.



Instructor Susan Smith, at the far right, leads a class in the ancient Chinese martial art, Tai Chi, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. "Tai Chi calmly keeps the student in touch with the body," she said.

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Bear-able

Gary and Norma Carter are shown with the dozens of stuffed animals they recently donated for pediatric emergency patients at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

"We see really critical and serious cases here," said Dr. Charlene Irvin, emergency care physician. "It helps for (the children) to have something to hold while they're being treated; so we're really grateful for Gary and Norma's generosity."

Pewabic Pottery celebrates its first 100 years

By Mimi Drennan
Special Writer

Art mavens and friends of the arts have called it unique. Imaginative students create works of art on its premises. Art collectors know it as a great source for finding unusual one-of-a-kind treasures, and Michiganders take pride in this historic gem, located in Detroit on East Jefferson — known as Pewabic Pottery.

In recognition of its 100th anniversary this year, Pewabic will offer special events each month that include heritage tile workshops; a festive gala in March to commemorate the birthday of Mary Chase Stratton, the pottery's founder; distinctive exhibitions; the Centennial Architecture & Design Show; a Raku party; and many more activities.

Three centennial products produced at the pottery will be on display and for sale in the Pewabic Museum Store. They include a limited edition of 1,000 multi-colored tiles, depicting the well-known symbol of the historic pottery — its tile-studded,

white stucco chimney — on a cobalt blue field with subtle tones of blue, green and brown, designed by David McGee to evoke the spirit of the arts and crafts movement of the early 1900s.

A second tile that displays the same image is rendered in traditional Pewabic colors. Each of these tiles has been designed to work with other standard sizes of Pewabic tile, which enables owners to integrate them as a way of "date stamping" installations done in 2003.

The third centennial offering is a "step" vase, the design for which hails from the archival notes of Mary Chase Stratton.

According to Terese Ireland, executive director of Pewabic Pottery, "The step vase is a special tribute to Stratton, whose contributions during a 60-year period helped to put Pewabic on the map as a center of ceramic excellence. We expect a high demand for this beautiful vase in the coming year."

Established in 1903 by artist and ceramist Mary Chase Perry (Stratton) and

businessman Horace J. Caulkins, today Pewabic Pottery is a thriving and expanding nonprofit arts-based organization with a variety of on-site and off-site programs.

It has long been recognized for its tile work, vessels and iridescent glasses and has twice (in 1947 and again in 1993) received the Charles Fergus Binns Medal, the highest honor bestowed in the field of American ceramics.

The name "Pewabic" was chosen by Perry in memory of the vintage Franklin, Quincy and Pewabic Mines in Hancock, where she was born, and where her father, a physician and surgeon, was employed.

The pottery's present site, across from Detroit's Waterworks Park, was designed and built in 1907 by William B. Stratton. He later married Perry.

It was fashioned after a Tudor Revival building and was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1991 by the National Park Service of the U.S. Dept. of the Interior.

Again in 2002, Pewabic was honored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and designated one of 10 Historic Artists Homes and Studios.

At a recent "Give a Whirl" Saturday afternoon ceramic class, young people, ranging in age from 6 up, either individually or with their parents, under the tutelage of Terry Dietrich, were completing an introductory course to the potter's wheel.

In the six-week session, the students learned the basics of the ancient art of pottery making.

"Each step in the overall pottery process is an art in itself," Dietrich said.

The steps include: Preparing the clay to be "thrown" on the electric wheel, wedging, applying or throwing the clay on the wheel — using wet hands to mold and form the vessel (or pot) — altering or removing excess clay from the vessel, painting with clay slip (a clay solution of creamy consistency used for coating or decorating), bisquing, glazing (adding color), and firing.

The glazing process and the firing techniques affect the finish piece as much as the throwing process.

"The glazes and their reactions to the clay body, as well as other special glazes (such as Raku), heat reductions and chemical reactions taking place inside the kiln are what you see on a finished piece of pottery," Dietrich explained.

Ten-year-old Mary Kate Kramer, who lives in Grosse Pointe and is in her second series of classes, was busy at the wheel as she explained, "I love this class — I really like making things — and this is a good way to do it."

Timothy Hester, 11, just started classes and likes the glazing portion best.

"It's always a surprise when you see your creation come out of the kiln," said her mother, Monica, who joined her daughter in the classes. "This is a fun project for us to do together."

One of the senior members of the class, Ann Kennedy, was applying wax to her vessels in spots where she did not want the glaze to cover.

"I love everything about it. It's fun to make things and see how they'll turn out."

Kennedy joined in by saying, "Terry is such a good teacher — she lets us know if we're doing something wrong, and she praises our work when it's done correctly."

Grosse Pointe Dietrich, who has been a student and board member of Pewabic since 1986, is very knowledgeable about all phases of the ceramics process. She holds a Bachelor of Science and Arts degree, specializing in ceramic sculpture, and has been teaching pottery for three years.

"I try to give each of my students individual attention with his or her work," she said. "I love working with young people. They are so expressive and really want to learn."

It was plain to see that her students admired Dietrich's creative suggestions and instruction. And all were eager to help with tasks during class and the cleanup afterward.

Gary Bastion, a Grosse Pointe Park resident, was proudly putting the finishing touches to his daughter's unicorn design before firing in the kiln.

"This is a great creative outlet for her. She's only 10, but she has a talent for this kind of thing. And I enjoy the classes, too," he said.

Joel Hawkins, with his two daughters, Lillian, 11, and Bethany, 9, and their mother, Isabelle Groome, were packing up their creations — a black and white ceramic panda sitting on its haunches and Bethany's variety of curious animals, including a polar bear and a spotted kangaroo.

Other members of the class included Sarah Flowers and Karin Willmarth, who were busy choosing glazes and preparing their works for the kiln.

Classes, workshops, lectures, internships and residency programs are offered for studio potters and other artists at Pewabic Pottery. Outreach programs, hands-on workshops for adults



Grosse Pointe Park residents Morgan Bastion, above, and Gary Bastion, below, try their hands at creating works of art from clay.

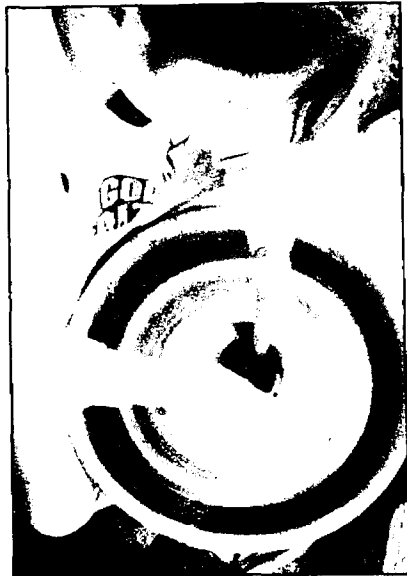


and children, summer apprenticeships for high school art students, and other classes for gifted and talented students are also available.

On Saturday, March 15, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Pewabic Pottery will host the Centennial Celebration commemorating Mary

Chase Stratton's birthday. The public is invited to view the ceramic and tile on display.

For more information about the pottery, class information, events calendar, visiting hours and volunteer opportunities, call (313) 822-0954.



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Grosse Pointe Mary Kate Kramer, at the left learned to use a potter's wheel.

Below, Bethany Hawkins and Lillian Hawkins of Grosse Pointe Park learned how to create animals out of clay.



Instructor Terry Dietrich, at the left, helped Morgan Bastion, Sarah Flowers, Meredith Maniscalco, Isabelle Groome and Bethany Hawkins learn the art and history of Pewabic Pottery. Ann Kennedy is seated with her back to the camera.

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Invitation to Lent

By the Rev. Gustav Kopka Jr.
St. James Lutheran Church

"My how you've changed, Jesus,
Since we first met you
In Sunday School. You've grown
And we haven't. That seems to be
Our hang-up."

Some 40 years ago
Thomas John Carlisle wrote these
Words before he became
Pastor Emeritus of Stone Creek
Presbyterian Church in Watertown,
N.Y. Well over 40 years ago
I became an ordained pastor at Grace
Lutheran Church, Watertown, S.D.
There I met my wife-to-be, Nancy.

Like Jesus of Nazareth and Bethlehem,
It was a mobile society already then.
We kept on moving and changing, being
Challenged to grow. Too willing to be
Satisfied with childish minimums of
Gospel information and understanding.

"Just when we are positive
We have him screwed tight
To a high chair holding the pose which
We arranged with our adroit axioms
He jumps up and knocks down
Our preset cameras and
Runs off calling back,
'Catch me if you care or dare.'"

Late Lent this year and late Easter
Disturb my complacencies. Yours?
Whatever Saddam Hussein and/or
Bin Laden and/or George W. Bush
Conjure, it is our hang-up. The Jesus
Of Israel and Palestine challenges
Our hang-ups of fatalism, calling us
To be his disciples, students of and
Followers in the good gracious God
Way. Lent is lent to us to ponder,
To consider The Christ Way.

"I too was trying to get
Comfortable when he let me
Have it with that passionate word
'Peace' with its odor of
Indiscriminate love."

So we will prayerfully sing
At mid-week Lenten Vespers
"Jesus Christ is the light of the world,
The light no darkness can overcome.
Let your light scatter the darkness,
And illumine your Church."
Chime in with the bells of St. James!

Pointer named Lutheran Layman of the Year

The Lutheran Luncheon Club of Metro Detroit selected Paul F. Nyquist of Grosse Pointe Shores as the 2003 Lutheran Layman of the Year. The club's choice for the honor is based on the person's service to his home congregation, to the church at large and to service within the community.

"Paul is a fine example of the type of person that one should anticipate based on the selection criteria established for this annual award," said club president Steve DeBoer. "The club is

pleased to present this prestigious award to Paul as we recognize and celebrate his years of service to his congregation, to the church at large and to his community."

Nyquist and his wife Nancy have four sons, Jeffrey, John, Stephen and Matthew; and three grandchildren.

Both have been members of Bethany Lutheran Church, Detroit, for 33 years. Nyquist sings in the church choir and has served as chairman of the board of elders, chairman of the

evangelism committee and currently as an elder and on the worship and outreach committees. He has supported Bethany's Vacation Bible School.

He is a 30-year member of The Lutheran Choralaires, a men's singing group that performs both sacred and secular music.

He has also served as president and now board member of the Lutheran Luncheon Club, president of the Michigan State University Engineering Alumni board of directors and a member of the board of Lutheran Child and Family Services. He's a member of the Lutheran Camp Association, the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club, a supporter of the Lutheran High School Association of Greater Detroit and a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.

"Receiving the 2003 Layman of the Year recognition is an overwhelming experience and a great honor," Nyquist said. "I am grateful to the Luncheon Club for being selected and for being included in the list of previous recipients who



Paul F. Nyquist

have served so well. I pray that in the future I will be able to serve in a manner that will do justice to the title."

The award will be presented at the 49th annual Testimonial Banquet, which begins at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan in Warren. The public is invited. The cost is \$25. For reservations, call Claude Decker at (586) 254-5714.

Babies

Callie Rose Davis

Ellen and Randall Davis of Crownpoint, N.M., are the parents of a daughter, Callie Rose Davis, born Jan. 7, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Doris and Arthur Erickson of the City of Grosse Pointe. Paternal grandparents are Judy and Robert Davis of Tijeras, N.M.

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 Wielhouwer of Portage.

Ella Rose Babcock

Tracy Hanika Babcock and Scott Babcock of Niles, Ill. are the parents of a daughter, Ella Rose Babcock, born Feb. 17, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Barbara Hanika of Grosse Pointe Farms. Paternal grandparents are Jeffrey and Arlinda Babcock of Milton, Mass. Great-grandparents are Nathan and June Babcock of Goodyear, Ariz.

Organ recital at Christ Church

Organist David Hill will present an organ recital at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 9, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. Hill is the organist and master of the choristers of St. John College in Cambridge, England. He

has given recitals in England, America and Australia.

The concert is the final of a series of three recitals presented at Christ Church. The public is invited. For more information, call the church at (313) 885-4841.

Grosse Pointe Methodist hosts
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The Adrian College Choir will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in the new sanctuary of Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross.

The 85-member choir is directed by Dr. Thomas Hodgman.

The free concert will be followed by a dessert reception.

Lay Theological Academy
presents Bible storyteller

"In the Beginning, Toward the Middle, and All the Way at the End: Stories from Genesis through Revelation," is the topic to be presented at the next Lay Theological Academy class at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 9, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 Jefferson, Detroit.

The Rev. Dennis Dewey, biblical storyteller, will be the presenter.

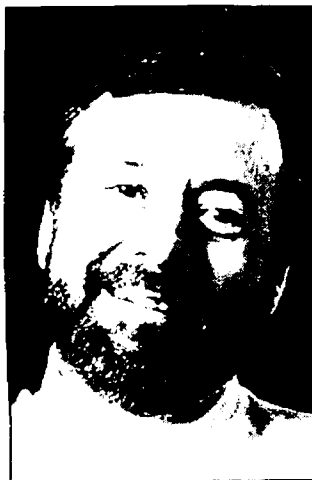
He has been touring and performing biblical stories for the last 15 years.

A freewill offering will be accepted at the door. A reception will follow.

Car pools will be available at 3:30 p.m. from Grosse

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Romantic escape to the Regency

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

Forget the wonders of decorating with duct tape, what to wear to an orange alert, how French fries aren't French and why the most annoying thing about the French is that they don't care if we don't buy their wine. In fact, they don't care about us at all.

Television is no escape, just bread and circuses. Who needs more so-called reality TV, Michael Jackson and his nose or the Robert Blake sideshow?

Looking around for escapist reading, usually mysteries, I thought of the queen of the cozies, M.C. Beaton, best known for her Hamish Macbeth and Agatha Raisin mysteries. But I wanted something different.

So I looked for Beaton in our online Contemporary Authors. You can find it in our site, www.gp.lib.mi.us under "Magazines & Databases." However you have to use an in-house library computer to reach it.



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The Book Return

According to CA, she is really Marion Chesney, born in Scotland and currently living in the Cotswolds. Following the market when Regencies and bodice-rippers were in, she started writing after her husband suffered a mild stroke. She became the queen of Regencies.

I'd never read romances, but thought their sheer numbers of fans might make them interesting.

I'd always liked Jane Austen. Ultimately, "Pride and Prejudice," "Emma" and the rest are about marrying off daughters in Regency society with cutting edge commentary on women's position in said society.

I'd read Rosemary Stevens' "Death on a Silver Tray," a Regency mystery with Beau Brummell as

the crime solver. It was amusing, informative and had a special comic touch for cat lovers. But I tired of a little of the minutiae of Brummell's hours of dressing. It was accurate, with good background and character development, but I prefer mysteries that get on with it.

So, then there's Chesney. I broke down and read a romance, "Frederica in Fashion, a Novel of Regency England. Being the Sixth Volume of the Six Sisters." It was pretty good: fast moving, funny, with background and social commentary unobtrusively woven into the plot. It was a treat, but could she vary the formula?

She was locked into a young, innocent, daring heroine falling in love with a mysterious, handsome peer and the only possible

happy ending: marriage. I set out to test it.

Vary it she does. One of her secrets is her gift for creating lovable, if annoying, eccentrics. The first volume of "The School for Manners" is "Refining Felicity." When two well-born, seemingly silly spinsters fall on hard times and are forced to make a living in a society that has no respect for work, they decide to use their social skills to bring out badly brought up young women to see that they are well and safely married off. They have no idea going in how badly behaved well-born girls can be.

Her regular background characters are as interesting as her main characters — making readers want more so they can see them fully developed over the course of the series.

"The Miser of Mayfair" is the first of "A House for the Season," peopled by the servants of the house who must live off tips and live under a cruel and dishonest agent. A curse on the

house limits the number of guests, except for unaware folks from the boondocks.

Finally, "Lady Fortescue Steps Out" is the first volume of "The Poor Relation." White-haired septuagenarian Lady Fortescue has run out of money. She has only her house and two aging servants who choose to stay and share the life for food and shelter. She has become a "poor relation" who must depend upon visiting rich relatives in order to eat.

When she's caught stealing candlesticks at her nephew's in order to buy more food, she realizes how far she's fallen. Sitting in Hyde Park, thinking of selling her parasol, she begins to notice the genteel shabbiness of some others who walk there. She carefully begins to gather like souls to share meager resources. The outcome is a hotel-restaurant ironically called, "The Poor Relation."

Brilliantly balancing below stairs and above, she paints a rich picture of life

to produce delightful diversions. Yes, there is the requisite love story, always amusing, always different in each book.

All her Regencies appear to be in six-volume sets. I will probably finish "The Poor Relation" (I'm on volume three), "A House for the Season" and maybe whatever else I can find. Since her Regencies are out of print, libraries are the main place to find these. You might find some in used-book stores, but they sell fast and are hard to find. A friend tried.

If you think this is too remote, and we've come so far from class division, remember it hasn't been too many years ago that we heard about Beverly Hills matrons who'd been left for trophy wives and were struggling to maintain their image while sleeping in their cars.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us or find her at Grosse Pointe Central Library.

Chicken entree is fair game

Yesterday was the beginning of Lent 2003. For some people that means 40 days of not living life to the fullest. Go out with a bang. Fat Tuesday is largely celebrated in New Orleans with Creole and Cajun food ... and lots of cheer. The spicy Southern fare isn't for everyone. This year I prepared a Fat Tuesday meal that wasn't Cajun.

This week's recipe was the centerpiece for that meal. Chicken with Riesling was featured recently in Food and Wine magazine. I've altered the ingredients slightly in this

Chicken with Riesling

1 stick (8 teaspoons)
plus 2 tablespoons butter, divided

3 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breast, each breast cut in half

3 large shallots, finely chopped

1/4 cup cognac or brandy

2 cups Riesling or Piesporter wine

2 8 oz. packages sliced mushrooms

1 cup heavy cream salt and pepper to

taste

Melt four tablespoons (1/2 stick) of the butter in a large deep skillet over medium heat. Season the chicken with salt and pepper, and add to the skillet. Cook the chicken pieces for about three minutes on each side. (The chicken won't be cooked through-out.)

Add the shallots and cook for another minute or so. Carefully pour the cognac over the chicken, and after a few seconds, using a long matchstick, ignite the skillet to flambe the chicken.

After the flames die out, add the wine; bring the skillet to a simmer, and cook (covered) for another 10 minutes or so.

Meanwhile, in another medium skillet heat four more tablespoons of the butter over medium-low heat. Add the sliced mushrooms, and cook until all the liquid has absorbed, about 10 minutes. Increase the heat slightly until the mushrooms begin to brown. Season with salt and pepper; remove from heat; cover and set aside.

In a small bowl, cream together some flour with the remaining two table-

spoons of butter. (This will be easier if the butter is softened.) Remove the chicken pieces from the large skillet and cover to keep warm. Add the cream to the skillet and bring to a simmer. Whisk the flour mixture into the wine/cream mixture, and cook for just a minute or so.

Taste the sauce and season with salt and pepper. Return the chicken to the skillet and add the mushrooms. Briefly reheat.

Remove and cover until serving. If you continue to cook, the sauce will become too thick, and the chicken

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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



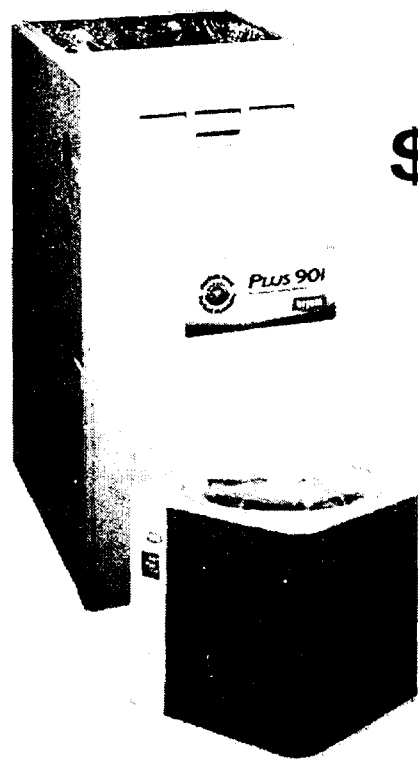
will dry out. Serve this creamy dreamy chicken with Riesling with rice, pasta or boiled potatoes.

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Memory loss is a concern of seniors

Every so often I like to share items of interesting or useful information that are not long enough to provide a column, but still helpful to readers. I call this my "Short Strings" file, as in: strings too short to save.

One of the demons of old age is our tendency to forget things, or lose items.

Technology has resulted in an inordinate amount of stress for me, namely my computer. Finally, I found a piece of technology that may make my life and yours less stressful. It's an electronic locator.

Nothing new for keys, but Sharper Image "Now You Can Find It" allows you to tag multiple items, such as keys, purses, remote controls and any other frequently disappearing objects. A base station sends an electronic signal to the missing item, causing it to beep until you find it. The price is \$49.95.

In Grosse Pointe, there are certainly seniors without prescription drug coverage who are having problems paying drug bills.

The National Council of Aging has launched a Web site that gives information on 240 programs that

Senior Scene

By
Ruth
Cain



could help seniors save money on prescription drugs. These include 30 state-funded pharmacy programs, each state's Medicaid program and 116 company-sponsored patient assistance programs.

Click on www.BenefitsCheckUpRx.org. If you don't have a computer, local libraries and the Services for Older Citizens' office can help you. You'll be asked to fill out a brief questionnaire available on the Web site that will provide a personalized report with all the programs a person might be eligible for and detailed instructions on how to enroll.

Speaking of drugs, a consumer advocacy group, Family USA, analyzed data from Pennsylvania's

prescription drug program for those 65 and older, to develop a list of the 50 top-selling drugs.

The study found that 10 of the 50 most-prescribed drugs for seniors in 2002 were generics, with the average annual price being \$375. Nine of the drugs did not increase in price at all.

The other 40 most-prescribed drugs were brand-name drugs with an average annual price of \$1,106. Only three of these did not increase in price.

The study found that Demadex, a diuretic, and Premarin, an estrogen replacement drug, both rose 17.8 percent last year, almost seven times the rate of inflation for the year.

Plavix, an anti-platelet drug, rose 16.8 percent, more than six times the inflation rate, while the cholesterol-lowering Lipitor rose five times the rate of inflation.

The study concluded there was no reasonable basis for the price increases.

A spokesman for the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, the industry's trade group, said the report was misleading because retail prices vary widely among pharmacies in a single community.

"It is essential that we correct the notion that all elderly patients pay the same price for the same drug," the spokesman said.

It is true that the insurance companies paying the bills for its biggest customers can use volume to negotiate a lower rate for drugs. It's possible seniors without prescription drug coverage may pay the highest prices.

The spokesman added that almost always drugs are far cheaper than the cost of surgery and hospitalization.

The study shows that

prescription drugs can bankrupt not only the individual purchaser, but eventually any government programs that pay the bills.

Expanded tax cuts that reduce revenue for the government, also reduce revenue to pay for large-scale prescription drug programs and other health care programs such as Medicare and Medicaid.

I had some reservations about Jennifer Granholm's run for governor because of her limited government experience.

It now appears that what seemed a weakness may have been a strength because it also meant she hadn't learned the art of talking out of both sides of her mouth and saying nothing.

Granholm is a smart lady who will continue to learn. Let's hope that doesn't include becoming someone who makes decisions based on input from special interest groups that frequently are the most wealthy and powerful.

This comment arises from Granholm's refusal for interviews on "Meet the Press," Jim Lehrer's newscast and CNN during the recent National Governors' Association Conference in Washington. Can you imagine the usual politico turning down all that free media coverage?

I would be remiss if I didn't point out that Granholm's Canadian birthplace precludes her from running for president, freeing her to act on her conscience, not future ambition. If that's the case, Michiganders will be very lucky!

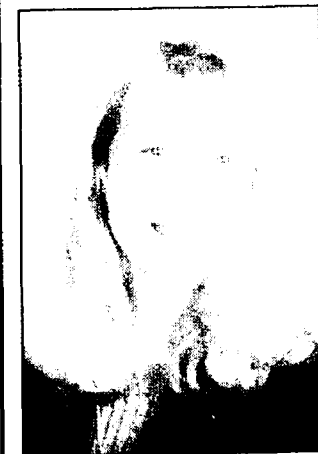
Questions or comments for Ruth Cain? You can reach her at ruthcain@aol.com.

SOC Options

SOC offers resources, support for caregivers

By Sharon Maier
SOC Executive Director

Overnight, I became a caregiver. One day my father was here taking care of us, and the next day he was gone. My father had taken care of everything until the moment he left us. He handled finances, home maintenance, mom maintenance and me maintenance.



Sharon Maier

My father was the one who took care of our family. He had been father, friend, mentor, colleague, business associate, therapist, home repair adviser, ad infinitum, to our entire family. Who would take care of me when he was gone?

The day he left we lost a true caregiver. A heart attack took my father, and he left behind my mom and me. There was no time

for me to get used to the idea of becoming a caregiver or for me to get ready for my new role.

My father's illness was not drawn out for years. He was fine and then he was gone. I wouldn't be his caregiver in his long twilight years, repaying him for all the times he was there for me.

Many times I wondered if I could do the job right and if I had the ability and the skills to take care of my mom the way my father so effortlessly took care of us.

My mom was suffering from multiple sclerosis and was bound to a wheelchair. Becoming an instant caregiver left me unprepared for the challenges that caregiving offers.

As time wore on, I realized that my dad had long ago given me his wonderful life skills to connect with.

He taught me to love and have strong passionate convictions. He taught me how to care for myself: to rest when weary, to take a break when needed. He taught me to sit close and be quiet and how to find the peace of having someone you love nearby.

He taught me to be realistic about death and acknowledge its presence. My father gave me the skills I needed to be there for my mother, the last week of his life.

Long before we ever knew it would be necessary, he taught me how to be a caregiver. Without ever noticing the lessons, I had learned how to be a caregiver.

While my father taught me these skills, finding the resources is an entirely separate challenge. SOC's Information and Assistance department has been helping caregivers get the assistance and support that they need for years. Recently, as part of the National Family Caregiver program, we began a special department just to give information and Assistance to caregivers.

Everybody's story of how he or she became a family caregiver is unique. An accident, an illness, an aging parent, a child or grandchild comes into the world unable to live on his or her own.

Does it really matter what the cause? A loved one is in need and we are there. After all, we tell ourselves, if we didn't do it, who would?

One of the biggest challenges this program has faced is getting caregivers to say they are caregivers. The government defines caregivers as "an unpaid relative or friend taking care of a senior."

Easy enough definition, but most caregivers think as I did: "I'm not a caregiver. I'm a daughter."

I tried to rise up to the challenges that taking care of my mom entailed without ever thinking of myself as a caregiver. I thought of myself as a daughter looking out for her mom, much the same way as I am a mom looking out for my daughters now.

While I did not identify myself as a caregiver, I certainly could have used help with my responsibilities. My situation was unique as I was only 15 when I assumed this role. Still every caregiver faces challenges that he or she is not prepared for.

Our office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to offer assistance to caregivers. We have also put together a free afternoon tea and information session to provide caregivers with the assistance they need.

The tea will be from 2 to 4 p.m., Wednesday, March 19, at St. Joseph's Home, 4800 Cadieux in Detroit. All caregivers are welcome to come, although space is limited. Please reserve your spot ahead of time by calling SOC at (313) 882-9600.

The tea will give caregivers a chance to relax — something all of us need. SOC will provide information about local services for caregivers, along with a directory of services in our area. Katy Graham of Neighborhood Legal Services will give information about the legalities of being a caregiver and offer advice on forms that every caregiver and senior should have.

Clifford Jordan, a massage therapist, will share the benefits of massage for caregivers and seniors and give mini massages to help participants relax.

If you cannot attend the tea but are still interested in the resource directory for caregivers, please call the SOC office, and we will gladly mail you one.

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Don't ignore signs of hernia

By Drs. Andrew Georgeson and Michael G. Taylor
Special Writers

The exclamation, "If I lift that, I'll give myself a hernia," is a common sentiment that most people claim to understand. But knowing what a hernia actually is, and how it is repaired, is another matter.

There are several kinds of hernia. The most common is an inguinal hernia, which develops when intestinal tissue protrudes through a weak point or tear in the groin area where the abdominal wall joins the thigh. Increased pressure in the area — from heavy lifting or straining — can force a portion of intestine through the weak spot. A bulge in the groin area usually results and can be painful or uncomfortable.

Even newborn babies can have this type of hernia, so-named because it frequently occurs along the inguinal canal, an opening in the lower abdominal muscles. Inguinal hernias are far more frequent in men than women. In fact, a man has a 5 to 10 percent chance of developing one at some time in his life.

Signs and symptoms

Signs and symptoms of an inguinal hernia usually develop gradually but can also come on suddenly, especially after heavy lifting or coughing. Symptoms include:

- A dull pain or ache in the groin area or scrotum, which may be aggravated by bending over, lifting or coughing.
- A heavy or dragging sensation in the groin.
- A bulge in the groin area, which often occurs at the junction of the thigh and groin.
- Occasionally in men, pain and swelling in the scrotum.

Sometimes there are no symptoms, and the hernia is discovered by a physician during a routine physical examination.

Don't ignore it

If you recognize symptoms of hernia, see your physician. In general, inguinal hernias enlarge over time if not repaired surgically. A large inguinal hernia in a man may extend into the scrotum and cause marked, uncomfortable swelling.

It is also possible for a loop of intestine to escape through the abdominal wall and become "trapped." The blood supply to that portion of the intestine is impaired, referred to as "strangulation," and the death of the tissue may result. Bowel obstruction and even gangrene of that portion of the intestine can occur, which is life-threatening when left untreated.

Surgical repair

If the bulge can easily be pushed back into the abdomen and symptoms are mild or nonexistent, surgery may not be necessary. However, if the hernia is large, painful or bothersome, surgery is a good option. Almost 700,000 inguinal hernia repairs are done annually in the United States. In 90 percent of cases, the repair is permanent and the hernia does not return.

Conventional repair consists of making an incision in the groin, pushing the protruding intestine or other tissue into the abdomen and surgically repairing the weakened or torn muscle or tissue.

The surgeon may strengthen part of the abdominal wall by covering the area with a patch of synthetic material such as Dacron or Gore-Tex. Most hernia repairs are performed on an outpatient basis. However, it may be four to six weeks before recovery is complete.

In laparoscopic hernia repair, the surgeon inserts a tiny video camera through a small incision. Three more keyhole-sized incisions are made for surgical instruments, and the procedure is conducted in the view provided by the camera. The surgeon inserts a patch of synthetic mesh to cover the entire inguinal area, including all potential hernia openings. The patch is usually secured with clips or staples into the soft tissue surrounding the defect.

Compared with conventional hernia surgery, laparoscopic repair usually involves less discomfort following surgery and a quicker return to normal activities. It is typically an outpatient procedure, and most people are back to work within a few days.

There aren't many ways to prevent a hernia, but there are a few things you can do to lower your risk for developing one.

These include maintaining a healthy weight, exercising regularly and eating a balanced diet. To help keep a mild hernia from becoming worse, avoid heavy lifting, straining during urination or bowel movements and chronic coughing, such as that brought on by smoking.

If you think you have developed a hernia, see your physician, who will evaluate it and advise you on a plan for care or repair.

Drs. Georgeson and Taylor are Bon Secours Cottage Health Services general surgeons who perform hernia repairs. For an appointment, call (800) 303-7315.



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Van Elslander art gallery

Works of Michigan artist Peggy Reimel Abrams are on display in the Van Elslander Cancer Center's art gallery in Grosse Pointe Woods at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Grosse Pointers Beth Taylor, wife of St. John Hospital and Medical Center president Mark Taylor, at the right, and Donna Handley, administrative director of Oncology Services at the VECC, admire one of the nostalgic images the artist created. The gallery's rotating art exhibits are open to the community.

Van Elslander Center offers program for body, mind, spirit

Integrating mind, body and spirit for well-being is the topic of the free monthly community education night at the Van Elslander Cancer Center (VECC) in Grosse Pointe Woods from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 13.

Participants will have the opportunity to explore and experience Reiki, cranio sacral therapy, chair massage, reflexology, trigger point therapy, EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) and natural skin care. One lucky person will win a \$50 gift certificate for a one-hour massage.

The speaker will be Mary Natschke, manager of the VECC's Healing Arts Center.

The VECC is located behind St. John Hospital at 19229 Mack and Moross, east of I-94. To register or for more information, call (866)

246-4673.

Free Van Elslander Cancer Center community education night programs are held the second Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Colon health discussion to be March 13

Dr. Donn Schroder, general surgeon on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center (SJH&MC), will discuss colon health from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 13, in the auditorium at St. John Hospital.

The program is free and advance registration is recommended. To register or for more information, call (888) 751-5465.

When found and treated early, colorectal cancer can often be cured.



Your Skin

by Raechele Gathers, MD

Teen acne, accentuated by a teenager's normal hormonal changes, can and does affect teenagers of any age or color.

While not "curable", acne is controllable for most patients. At its most basic, the treatment of acne consists of efforts to open the follicles before they become pimples and to kill the P. acnes bacteria responsible for the inflammation and infections seen in cystic acne.

Patients with mild to moderate acne that has never been treated will typically started with an appropriate topical regimen, which will be evaluated at four to six weeks. Common medications include retinoids (such as

Differin or Retin-A) to promote open pores, and benzoyl peroxide or other antimicrobials to help control any bacteria.

It can take several weeks before patients begin to see results; a dose of patience is critical to getting patients on a program that works well for them. Acne treatment programs may also need to be adjusted for the time of year and level of activity of the patient. We'll talk more about treatment options for moderate or unresponsive mild acne next week.

To learn more about teen acne and its treatment, contact your dermatologist, or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates.

Eastside Dermatology has offices in Grosse Pointe and New Baltimore. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380.

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Van Elslander Center adds nutritionist/dietitian to staff

Christina Edge has joined Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Grosse Pointe Woods as Oncology dietitian/nutritionist. She will help patients manage their nutritional needs during cancer treatment.

Services she provides include preventing or correcting nutritional deficiencies; minimizing treatment side effects (like loss of taste or appetite, mouth sores, diarrhea, and constipation); incorporating healthy nutrition habits into one's lifestyle; educating family members about the patient's specific needs; improving quality of life during treatment; educating on and evaluating the risks and benefits of nutrition-related complementary therapies; helping achieve and maintaining optimal body weight; improving ability to tolerate treatment; meal planning; and diet modifications.

Edge has a master's degree concentrating on human nutrition and a bachelor's degree in nutritional science, both from the University of Michigan. She attended Regina High School in Harper Woods.

The native eastsider also works with non-cancer patients (those with fibromyalgia and pregnant women, for instance)

through the Healing Arts Center at the VECC. In addition, she offers community lectures on nutrition topics.

She is a member of the Michigan Public Health Association, Society for Nutrition Education, Nutritional Entrepreneurs of Michigan and American Dietetic Association.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (313) 647-3006.

Health forum at Assumption

Health specialists will be available at Assumption Cultural Center from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, March 15, to offer information and free health screenings.

Dr. Vicki Savas, cardiologist, will present a talk at noon, "How To Prevent A Heart Attack."

Screenings include blood pressure, blood sugar, HDL, LDL, triglycerides and blood cholesterol tests. A light lunch will follow, with door prizes and gift bags for everyone. Reservations are required. (586) 779-6111.

Assumption is located at 21800 Marter. For accurate blood screenings, it is suggested that (except for diabetics) participants not eat after midnight the night before.

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Orthopedic surgeon Christopher Lee, M.D., of St. Clair Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine, P.C., discusses the latest techniques for joint replacement surgery. Information also is provided about Bon Secours Cottage's joint replacement recovery program, "Spa by the Shore," which is aimed at revitalizing the body, mind and spirit in a restorative spa setting. A question-and-answer session is included, and refreshments are served.

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Things to Do

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Art Exhibitions

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center:
• "A Room of Our Own," exhibition by the Detroit Society of Women Painters & Sculptors, through Saturday, March 22.
Wednesday-Saturday, 1005 Maryland. Free. (313) 821-1848.

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) 822-0954.

Artistic Opportunities

Grosse Pointe Artists Association Art Center:
• Experimental Watercolor, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays, March 11-April 15. \$78.

• Beginning Watercolor, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Wednesdays, March 12-April 16. \$84.

• Non-Profit Life Drawing, class taught by Jack Petz, 6-9 p.m., Thursdays. Live model fee. 1005 Maryland. (313) 821-1848.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:
• Photography, 7-10 p.m., Wednesdays March 12-April 16. \$99.

• Illustration, 7-9 p.m., Thursdays, March 13-April 17. \$125.

• Watercolor Painting, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursdays, March 13-April 17. \$77. 32 Lakeshore. Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.

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.

Benefits

Orchestras for the Home: A benefit for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Design Showcase Open House, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday, March 7 to Sunday, March 9, Michigan Design Center, 1700 Stutz, Troy. \$20. (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.

"Proposals"
Performance: A Grosse Pointe Theatre performance and buffet dinner benefiting the Lac Ste. Claire Kiwanis Group, Friday, March 7, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. Reservations required. • Dinner, 6:30 p.m. \$17. (313) 881-7511.

• Performance, 8 p.m. \$14. (313) 881-4004.
Foundation for Exceptional Children 26th Annual Benefit Party: 8 p.m., Friday, March 7, Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper, St. Clair Shores. \$30, per person or \$250, tables of 10. (313) 885-8660.

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.

Concerts

Adrian College Choir: 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 15, Grosse Pointe United Methodist church, 211 Moross. Free. (313) 886-2363.

Grosse Pointe Chamber Music: 2:30 p.m., Sunday, March 16, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$7. (313) 886-1604.

Friends of the War Memorial: The Friends of the War Memorial will host a Blues Night from 8 p.m.-midnight Friday, March 14, featuring The Brass Knuckles, a band that plays rock and rhythm & blues. Desserts and coffee provided; beverages welcome. Tickets are \$20. Call (313) 881-7511 for reservations.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra:
• 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.

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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. \$18-\$80.

• 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. \$18-\$80. Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

Events

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:
• Blues Night at the War Memorial, 8 p.m. - midnight, Friday, March 14. \$20.

• Home and Garden Expo 2003, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, March 15. Free. (313) 882-8000.

• Cornwell's Dinner Theatre Day Trip, "Two by Two," 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday, March 18. \$63. 32 Lakeshore. Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.

Global Gem Market Presentation & Mini Auction: Hosted by New Friends and Neighbors during their monthly luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday, March 6, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$10. Reservations required. (313) 647-9959.

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.

Film

Detroit Film Theatre:
• "Safe Conduct" 7 p.m., Friday, March 7. 7 p.m., Saturday, March 8.

3 and 7 p.m., Sunday, March 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.

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, 2 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. \$4 IMAX Dome. (313) 577-8400.

IMAX Theatre:
• "Space Station 3D" • "Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West" • "Shackleton's Arctic Adventure" • "The Lion King," 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:

• How To Prevent A Heart Attack, a health forum offered by cardiologist Dr. Vicki Savas and luncheon, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, March 15. \$10.

• Kalosomatics Exercise Winter Session, Monday, March 10-Saturday, May 17, times vary. \$52 for two-day sessions, \$74 three-days, \$94 four-days. Twenty-five percent senior discount.

• Free Kiddie Kalo/Baby Sitting, 9:30-10 a.m., Monday-Thursday, for registered parents. Non-registered parents pay \$1.

• Kalo Exercise/Nautilus Combo, \$72, two sessions per week. \$106, three sessions per week. \$124, four sessions per week.

• Nautilus Weight Training Room, 8-10:30 a.m., Monday-Thursday and 5-8:30 p.m., Friday. \$50 two days-per-week, \$70 three days-per-week, \$4 drop-ins.

• Free Fitness Testing, for all Kalo/Nautilus students, 8:30-9:40 a.m., Wednesday, March 26 and 6-7:40 p.m., Thursday, March 27.

• Cardiac Rehabilitation - St. John Hospital at Assumption.

7:45-8:45 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday. 1:15-2:15 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday. 2:45-3:45 p.m., Monday and Wednesday.

Enroll through St. John Hospital & Medical Center, (313) 343-3157.

• Golf, Monday, March 10-Monday, April 7.

11:45 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays.

1-2 p.m. or 2-3 p.m., Tuesdays or Thursdays.

8-9 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.

• Yoga, 6:30-8 p.m., beginning Monday, March 10. \$58.

• Tae Kwon Do Karate, 8-9:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursdays, beginning Tuesday, March 11. \$65.

21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Preregistration is required. (586) 779-6111.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:

• Belly Dancing, Wednesdays, March 5-April 16.

7-8 p.m., Beginning. 8-9 p.m., Advanced. \$60.

• Ballroom Dancing, Introduction, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Fridays, March 7-April 11.

\$78, per couple for six weeks.

• The Feldenkrais Method, 10-11 a.m., Saturdays, March 8-May 3. \$88.

• Circuit Training, 6-15:15 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, March 10-May 2. \$91, for 14 classes or \$130, for 20 classes.

• Yoga 7:45-9:15 p.m., Mondays, March 10-April 14. 7:45-9:15 p.m., Wednesdays, March 12-April 16.

\$60, one day per week or \$106, two days per week. 32 Lakeshore. Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.

History

Lewis & Clark and the Transcontinental Railroad:

A slide illustrated lecture celebrating the route traveled 200 years ago by Lewis & Clark, presented by Stewart McMillin, 7-9 p.m., Mondays, March 10 and March 24. \$10, per program. (586) 445-4416.

Steve Alexander as General George Custer:

A Bicknell Memorial Lecture Series program sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 19, Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$5, which can be directed toward a GPHS membership or free, students. Reservations requested. (313) 884-7010.

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House:

• Grounds for Gardening Hot Pots - The Art of Container Gardening, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 26. \$8.

• Bird Walk, 8 a.m., Saturday, March 15. \$6.

• Do-It-Yourself Landscape Design, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, March 22. \$30.

• Tea Room, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. 1100 Lakeshore. Reservations required for most events. (313) 884-4222.

Detroit Historical Society:

• Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Perspectives Tour, 10 a.m., Sunday, March 16, 1100 Lakeshore. \$10 or \$5, for DHS members.

Reservations are required for most programs. (313) 833-1405.

Provencal-Weir House, ca. 1823: Grosse Pointe Historical Society offers tours of the house and ca. 1840 Log Cabin, 1-4 p.m., Saturday, March 8. 376 Kercheval. Free. (313) 884-7010.

Selinsky-Green Farmhouse Museum: St. Clair Shores Historical Commission offers tours, 1-4 p.m., Wednesdays. Directly behind the St. Clair Shores Public Library, 22500 11 Mile. Free. (586) 771-9020.

Personal Enrichment

Adult Conversational Greek: 6:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, Assumption Greek Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. \$40. (586) 779-6111.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:

• Learning to Meditate, 7-9:30 p.m., Mondays, March 10 and March 17. \$35.

• Knitting with Your Children, 4-5:15 p.m., Wednesdays, March 12-April 16. \$60, 1 adult and one child, plus \$20 for supplies.

• The Twelve Teas of Friendship, 7-8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 13. \$35.

• Slim At Any Cost: Overcoming Eating Disorders, 7-8:30 p.m., Mondays, March 17 and March 24. \$35.

• Gardening Classes Preparing the Garden for Spring, 7:30-9 p.m., Monday, March 17. \$35 for both sessions or \$20, per class.

• The Spirit of Motherhood: Returning to Our Senses, 7-9 p.m., Mondays, March 17-March 31. \$60.

• Creating From Within, 7-9:30 p.m., Tuesdays, March 18. \$25.

Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.

League of Women Voters Lectures: 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 "Monsieur 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

• "Songs of Innocence and of Experience," 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27.

\$10 or free for FGPP members. Preregistration required. (313) 343-2074.

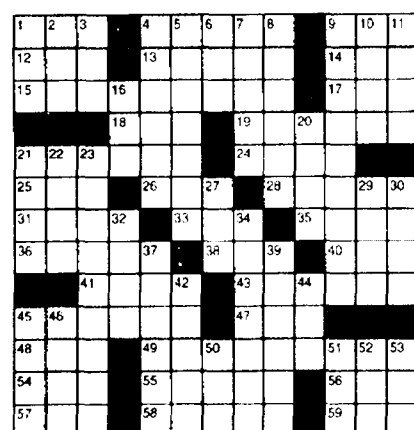
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All About Oscar: Grosse Pointe Public Library lecture featuring Lawrence Jeziak, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20. 10 Kercheval. Free. Reservations requested. (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

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. \$90.

• 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.

Screening For Memory Loss: A program on memory, aging and Alzheimer's disease, 3-5 p.m., Wednesday, March 26, Calvary Center, 4950 Gateshead, Detroit. Free. (313) 881-3374.

AARP/IRS Tax Counseling for the Elderly: free tax preparation services 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, 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.

Singles

The Single Way Movie Night: An interdenominational organization for single adults and their children.

- Volleyball, 6:45 p.m., Saturday, March 15, Warren Racquetball Center, 29901 Civic Center, Warren. \$6. Reservations required.
- Dessert Night, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 29, at the home of a member in St. Clair Shores. \$3 adults, \$1, teens and children. (586) 776-5535.

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Spiritual Resources

Men's Friday

Ecumenical Breakfast: Share food, fellowship and a lecture, Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

- March 7, Rev. Jim Rizer, Senior Pastor, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.
- March 14, Father Pachomius Belkoff - Russian Orthodox Priest.
- March 21, Bishop John McNab, St. Clare Montefalco Church.
- March 28, Rev. Harry T. Cook, St. Andrew's Episcopal.
- April 4, Rev. Bart Beebe, First English Lutheran Church.
- April 11, Dr. William Ritter, First United Methodist, Birmingham.
- April 18, Rev. Peter Smith, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian 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.

Lay Theological Academy:

• In the Beginning, Toward the Middle, and All the Way at the End, Stories for Genesis through Revelation, 4 p.m., Sunday, March 9, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Freewill offering. (313) 822-3456.

• The Sermon on the Mount and Hollywood vs. Faith, 7 p.m., Sunday, March 23, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore. Freewill offering. (313) 882-5330.

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.

Grosse Pointe Theatre: Neil Simon's "Proposals," through Saturday, March 15.

• 8 p.m., Thursday - Saturday, March 6-8 and March 13-15.
• 2 p.m., Sunday, March 9.

Fries Auditorium, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. \$14. (313) 881-4004. Enjoy a Theatre Buffet at the War Memorial before evening performances, 6:30 p.m. \$17. Reservations required. (313) 881-7511.

Wayne State University/Bonstelle Theatre:

• "The Imaginary Invalid," through Sunday, March 9.
• 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday.
• 2 p.m., Sunday. 3424 Woodward, Detroit. \$8-\$14. (313) 577-2960.

Wayne State University/Hilberly Theatre:

• "The Comedy of Errors," through Thursday, April 3.
• 8 p.m., Thursday-Saturday.
• 2 p.m. Saturdays and Wednesdays.
• "A Streetcar Named Desire," Friday, March 7-Thursday, May 8.
• 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 19 and Saturdays, April 5 and April 19.
• 8 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays.
• 8 p.m., Saturdays. 4743 Cass, Detroit. \$7.50-\$20. (313) 577-2972.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Joseph Home:
• General Volunteer: ongoing, daily, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Free.

• St. Joseph Guild Members needed, 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 18. Free. 4800 Cadieux, Detroit. (313) 882-3800.

Vienna Philharmonic was well worth the trip

As a way to draw attention from a wider metropolitan area for its diverse artistic presentations, the University Musical Society in Ann Arbor could not have done better than to bring the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra to the Detroit Opera House. The concert last Thursday, the Philharmonic's first in Michigan in 15 years, was enthusiastically received by a substantially audience that came from far and near. No matter how far they had traveled, it was well worth the trip.

Even if one of the world's greatest orchestras was not enough of a draw, the program itself, an excellent showcase for the Vienna ensemble, had outstanding audience appeal.

It opened with Schubert's moody Symphony No. 4 in c minor that expresses restrained tragic feelings alternating with serene episodes in a classical style clearly reminiscent of Schubert's models: Mozart, Haydn and the young Beethoven.

Dealing with music of their own Viennese composer, conductor Nikolaus Harnoncourt and the orchestra play with a feeling of deep respect and care. There were no big histrionics. Even moments of drama were subtly phrased and beautifully modulated. The orchestra creates a gorgeous blend of its instrumental voices in phrases elegantly shaped with taste and dignity.

Harnoncourt led with great economy of movement, relying on the superbly polished orchestra to produce a smooth ensemble performance.

Even in the emotionally turbulent passages, they never went overboard. Moreover, the clarity of the different sections of the orchestra lay bare the structure of Schubert's music in fascinating detail. It was an emotionally restrained performance whose appeal was primarily aesthetic and intellectual, and it demonstrated the remarkable finesse for which the Vienna Philharmonic is justly famous.

With an expanded orchestra, including more brass and winds, the romantic era Symphony No. 9 in e minor by Czech composer Antonin Dvorak was a suitable contrast. Here the orchestra let loose powerful effects, while never compromising

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By Alex Suczek

its distinctively sweet and well-rounded string sound. The increased energy and abandon of the performance was quickly evident as they gave voice to Dvorak's passionate expressions of his feelings during his visit to the United States.

But once again, it was the remarkable self-control and subtlety of the Philharmonic's musicians that created the most impressive impact. The second movement, Largo, was a poetic prayer. Organ-like chords open and soon lead into the famous theme based on the spiritual, "Goin' Home." They played it with exceptional tenderness and nostalgia, musical moods at which this orchestra is most skilled. It evoked mental images of dusk on the prairie as it might have been experienced by Dvorak on his trip to visit Czech communities in the American Midwest.

Even at the softest volume level that could be still audible, they maintained a perfectly balanced sonority to produce exquisitely beautiful effects to the very end of the movement, which faded away like a beautiful sunset.

The third movement, Scherzo, brought back a lively mood and music in waltz tempo and suggested festivities in the country, leading to the full drama of the last movement, Allegro con fuoco (fast with fire).

Here at last was ample evidence that the Vienna Philharmonic can get genuinely passionate, too. Fragments of the Goin' Home theme reappeared amid ringing choruses of the brass and the thunder of the bass and drums. It was a conclusion that brought the audience to its feet and, for that enthusiasm, a well-earned encore.

As everyone knows, the Viennese musicians are the quintessential interpreters of their famous waltzes. So everyone wel-

comed the concluding treat of the Delirium Waltzes by Josef Strauss. It was played exquisitely and with such engaging verve that heads could be seen swaying in tempo and feet could be heard tapping.

One thing that could have made the concert more interesting would have been to present it in Detroit's Orchestra Hall, where the acoustics seem to be somewhat more suitable for an orchestral performance. A benefit, on the other hand, was how the concert served as a reminder of the extensive program of excellent artistic events offered by UMS, mostly in Ann Arbor.

Through March 15, for example, the UMS is presenting the Royal Shakespeare Company from England in the second installment of its 5-year residency on the University of Michigan campus. Along with productions of Shakespeare's "Coriolanus" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor," is the U.S. premiere of "Midnight's Children" by Salman Rushdie. According to the London Times, this production combines Brechtian realism, Apocalypse-Now jungle sequences and archival film clips calculated to "transport the audience to the extra realms of magical realism." Anyone who has read one of Rushdie's books is already aware of the remarkable flights of fancy with which the author makes his points and gets his persuasive messages across.

This show alone sounds like an experience worth the trip to Ann Arbor.

As for the two plays of Shakespeare, not only are they diametrically different in tone and style, they can be expected to be very well performed by the prestigious company. "The Merry Wives of Windsor," of course, was Shakespeare's response to Queen Elizabeth's request to see the fat, comic Knight Falstaff in love.

Shakespeare converted that into something more like "Falstaff on the make and getting his just desserts."

"Coriolanus," on the other hand, is a noble tragedy about a Roman aristocrat unable to descend to a popular level in order to win the approval of the masses.

For more information, call (800) 221-1229 or visit www.ums.org.

Donations of jewelry are needed for Discovery Shops fundraiser

The American Cancer Society Discovery Shops, quality resale shops owned and operated by the American Cancer Society and run by community volunteers, will host their Jewelry Extravaganza in all metro-Detroit area shops from Thursday, March 13 through Saturday, March 15. The Jewelry Extravaganza is an annual sales event featuring fine

and costume jewelry donated by local residents interested in helping further the fight against cancer.

Preparations are under way and donations of jewelry are still being accepted at all seven metro-Detroit locations during normal business hours. All are tax deductible.

The Discovery Shop in Grosse Pointe Farms is located at 110 Kercheval,

with other locations in the communities of Livonia, Plymouth, Rochester, St. Clair Shores and Sterling Heights, and a recently opened store in Birmingham.

For directions to the nearest Discovery Shop or for more information about donating jewelry, call the Discovery Shop in Grosse Pointe directly at (313) 881-6458.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial's WMTV5

24hr Television for the Whole Community



DAYTIME PROGRAMMING FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10 - MARCH 16

8:30 AM THE S.O.C. SHOW

Guest, Joan Thorton - Senior Exercise Host Fran Schonenberg 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

Hosts Jeanie McNeil and Liv 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, Lisa Stivalde - Host's Red Pepper Host Chuck Kaess cooks with local celebrities. Repeated: 1 AM, 6:30 PM

10:30 AM WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

California Coast Line Part I Renowned local artist Carol LaChiusa 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

Guests, Judy Griffith - Pysanky & Living Science Summer Camps LouAnne Flanagan-Watrick and Emmett Hynous 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

Guests, Row Kosloff & Dr. Jantz - Drugs vs. Nature Host Robert Taylor presents an extraordinary half-hour of people, places and ideas. Repeated: 2:30 AM (9:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)

12:00 PM THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF DETROIT

Guest, John W. Snow, U.S. Secretary of The Treasury Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 3 AM, 10:30 PM

1:00 PM INSIDE ART

Topic, Drawing Techniques "Inside Art" on WMTV5, an exploration into the creative process of art spirits right in our backyard. Repeated: 4 AM, 5:30 PM

1:30 PM CONVERSATIONS WITH COLLECTORS

Topic, Fox and Hounds Host Susan Hartz focuses on local interesting collections. Repeated: 4:30 AM (8:30 PM, Tue., T. Sat.)

2:00 PM THE LEGAL INSIDER

Guest, Robert Ihrie - Divorce Hosts local attorneys David Draper and Douglas Dempsey take an inside look at current legal issues. Repeated: 5 AM, 6 PM

2:30 PM THE JOHN PROST SHOW

Guest, Roger Short - City of Detroit Finances Host John Prost interviews local celebrities about timely topics. Repeated: 5:30 AM, 10 PM

3:00 PM THE EASTSIDE EXAMINER

Guest, Home & Garden Expo Host Julia Keim 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 ReadABook, 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.); Tone: Repeated: (9 PM Tue. T. & Sat.)

4:30 PM YOUNG VIEW POINTES

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 POINTES OF HORTICULTURE

Horticulturist Co-Hosts Mt 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.

Family Fun

by Madeleine Socia

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Academic Enrichment

Assumption Greek Cultural Center: Kumon Math/Reading: Assumption Cultural Center offers these courses to build skills and confidence, 3:45-6:45 p.m., Wednesdays or 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays. 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. \$80 per month plus a \$50 registration fee. (586) 779-6111.

Attractions

Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory: Domestic and exotic plants, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., daily. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$2, adults and guided tours, \$1, seniors and children, 2-12. (313) 852-4064.

Belle Isle Aquarium: Domestic and tropical fish and aquatic animals, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., daily. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$3 adults, \$2 children. (313) 852-4083.

Automotive Hall of Fame:
• Classic cars.
• "The Driving Spirit," video.

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. 21400 Oakwood in Dearborn. \$6 adults, \$5.50 seniors, \$3 for children, 5-12. (313) 240-4000.

Detroit Children's Museum:
• Second Saturday Celebrating Africa's Legacy in the Americas, Saturday, March 8.

Africanos Cubanos, noon p.m. \$3.
• Discover the Winter to Spring Sky Planetarium Show, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Saturdays.

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. 6134 Second, Detroit. Reservations required for most programs. Free. (313) 873-8100.

Detroit Historical Museum:
• The Classic film "Metropolis", 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday, March 8. \$2.

• French Architecture Wiggle Giggie Workshop, 1-3 p.m., Saturday, March 8. \$3.
• Careers in Music Teen Workshop, 1-3 p.m., Saturday, March 15. \$3.

• "Techno: Detroit's Gift to the World" exhibit.

• "France in the Americas" Cities of the King's Engineers in the New World in the 17th and 18th Centuries, exhibit, through Sunday, May 4.

• "Detroit Style - The 1930s," through Sunday, May 11.

• "Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods," through Sunday, Aug. 31. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 5401 Woodward, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$2.50 seniors and elementary/high school students; \$3 college students, children under 12 free. (313) 833-1805.

Detroit Institute of Arts:

• First Friday Programs, featuring drawing in the galleries, workshops, artist's demonstrations, tours and live entertainment.

Marshall Field's First Friday, 6-8:30 p.m., Friday, March 7.

Fine Arts Friday, 6-8:30 p.m., Friday, March 14.

• "Inaugural Exhibition from the DIA General Motors Center for African American Art," through Fall 2003.

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

5200 Woodward, Detroit. \$4 adults, \$1 children. (313) 833-7900.

Detroit Science Center:

• "Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition," through Sunday, Sept. 7.

• DTE Energy Sparks Theater.

• IMAX Dome Theatre.

• Digital Dome Planetarium:

"Night of the Titanic," 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday; 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, noon-6 p.m., Sunday. 5020 John R., Detroit. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and children, 2-12.

\$4 IMAX Dome. \$4 planetarium. (313) 577-8400.

Detroit Zoo:

• Wildlife Interpretive Gallery, "Bats in My World," interactive exhibit, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., through Sunday, April 20.

• "Arctic Ring of Life" exhibit, 4.2 acres of arctic animals and a clear, underwater Polar Passage.

• National Amphibian Conservation Center.

10 a.m.-4 p.m., daily. Ten Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak. \$8, adults, \$6, seniors and children, 2-12. \$4, simulator rides. \$4, parking. (248) 398-0903.

Dossin Great Lakes Museum:

• "Working the Inland Seas: Stories of African Americans on the Great

Lakes," through April 2003. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday. Belle Isle, Detroit. \$3 adults, \$2 children, 5-18. Wednesdays are free. (313) 852-4051.

Dr. Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History:

• "Marching Toward Justice: The History of the 14th Amendment," exhibition, through Sunday, May 11.

• "The Life of Judge Damon J. Keith," exhibition, through Sunday, May 11.

• "Elder Grace: The Nobility of Aging," through Sunday, April 6.

• "Of the People: The African American Experience," continuing.

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m., Sunday. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$3 children, 5 and up. (313) 494-5800.

The Henry Ford (Formerly Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village):

• "A New Way of Living," featuring R. Buckminster Fuller's Dymaxion House.

• Celebrate Women's History Month, through Monday, March 31.

Her-Story Mysteries Tours, leaving from the Museum Plaza.

Weekdays, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., leaving on the half-hour. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., on the half-hour.

Sundays, 12:30, 1, 2:30, 3, 3:30 and 4 p.m.

Lifeline Jeopardy Interactive Game Show, in the Drive-In Theater exhibit.

Weekdays, 10, 10:30 and 11 a.m., 12:30, 1:30, 2 and 2:30 p.m.

Saturdays, 10, 10:30 and 11 a.m., 12:30, 1:30, 2, 3, 3:30 and 4 p.m.

Sundays, 12:30, 1, 1:30, 3, 3:30 and 4 p.m.

She Was There Question and Answer Discussion in the Your Place in Time exhibit.

Weekdays, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Weekends, 1, 3 and 3:30 p.m.

That's 70's Infomercial Presentation, located near Your Place in Time exhibit.

Weekdays, 10 and 11 a.m., 1 and 2 p.m.

Weekends, 1:30, 3 and 4 p.m.

WOMN Radio Show, broadcasting female recording artists through Monday, March 31.

IMAX Theatre.

9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-

Saturday and noon-5 p.m., Sunday. 20900 Oakwood, Dearborn. \$8.50-\$13.50 Museum. IMAX Theatre, \$10, adults, \$8, seniors and children, 12 and under. Due to the Greenfield Village Restoration Project, the Village will be closed through Saturday, May 31. (313) 982-6001.

Educational Experiences

Assumption Cultural Center:

• Pee Wee Karate, 9:30-10:30 a.m. or 9:30-11 a.m., Saturdays, March 22-May 24. \$40, for one hour or \$55, for one and one-half hours.

• Teen & Youth Golf clinic, 4:15-5:15 p.m., beginning Tuesday, March 25. \$40.

21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Preregistration required. (586) 779-6111.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial:

• Belly Dancing for Teens, 6-7 p.m., Wednesdays, March 5-April 16. \$60.

• Drawing & Painting, ages 7 and up, 4-5 p.m., Thursdays, March 6-April 10. \$58.

• Grosse Pointe Driving School

Segment I, 6-8 p.m., Mondays-Thursdays, March 10-March 27 or March 31-April 17. \$269.

Segment II, 4-6 p.m., Mondays, Tuesday and Thursdays, March 10, March 11 and March 13 or March 24, March 25 and March 27. \$35.

• Art Exploration for Preschoolers, ages 2-4, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, March 11-April 15. \$80, plus \$10 for supplies.

• Wee Sing for St. Patty's Day, Wednesday, March 12. Ages 1-3, 9:15-10 a.m.

Ages 3-5, 10:15-11 a.m. \$10 per child.

• Beginning Automotive Design, ages 9-12, 5-7 p.m., Tuesdays, March 11-April 15. \$125.

• Gods & Monsters Design, ages 12-15, 5-7 p.m., Wednesdays, March 12-April 16. \$125.

32 Lakeshore. Preregistration Required for most courses. (313) 881-7511.

Fun & Games

St. Patrick's Day Family Dance: Dancing with the C. C. Plus Dance Company and a pizza and pop dinner benefiting the Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods ARC, 6-9 p.m., Friday, March 14.

Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo. Freewill donations accepted. (313) 417-0266.

Play Central: The Family Center sponsors indoor play for preschoolers, accompanied by a parent, grandparent or caregiver, through Wednesday, April 30.

• 1-3 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Beacon Elementary School Preschool Room, 19475 Riverchase, Harper Woods.

• 9-11 a.m., Wednesdays, Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside. \$2 per visit, per family. (313) 432-3832.

Grosse Pointe Public Library Story Time: For "Lapsit," ages 6 months-2 years; "Toddlers Time," ages 2 to 3 1/2 or "Preschool," ages 3 1/2 - 5 1/2, accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

Central Branch, 10 Kercheval.

Lapsit, 11-11:20 a.m., Wednesdays.

Toddlers, 10:10-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Preschool, 11-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays or 1-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Woods Branch, 20600 Mack.

Lapsit, 9:30-9:50 a.m., Tuesdays.

Toddler Time, 10:15-10:35 a.m., Tuesdays.

Preschool, 1-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Park Branch, 15430 Kercheval.

Lapsit, 9:30-9:50 a.m., Thursdays.

Toddler Time, 10:30-10:50 p.m., Thursdays.

Preschool, 1-1:30 p.m., Thursdays.

Free. Registration required. (313) 343-2074.

American Girl Fashion Show: Hosted by the Junior League of Detroit.

• 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m., Saturday, March 8.

• 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.,

Sunday, March 9. Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore. \$30. Reservations requested. (313) 881-0040.

Parent Network: Free programs open to all Middle School parents and families.

• Keeping Your Child Drug Free Parent Network Coffee, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 11, Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside.

Preregistration required. (313) 432-3916.

Parenting

Pre-Teen Safety Fair: Presentation on mass media and children sponsored by Wayne County Community College, 3-30-9:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 11, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore. Free. (313) 881-7511.

Residents Only

Grosse Pointe Park:
• Robert Hutton Reflective Rink, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., daily, weather permitting. Patterson Park, 16200 Essex. (313) 822-1681.

(313) 822-2812.

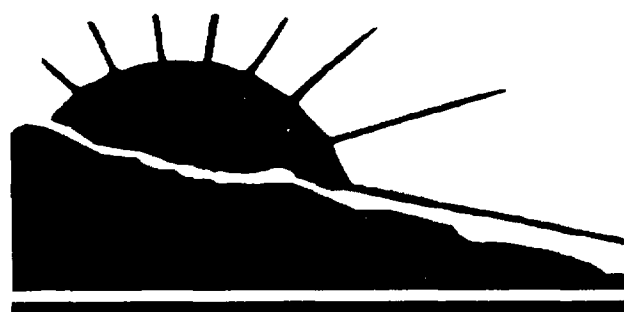
Grosse Pointe Woods:
• Indoor Ice Skating at University Liggett School McCann Ice Arena: 5-7 p.m., Sundays, through March 30. Free, with valid GPW park pass.

St. Clair Shores:
• Open Ice Skating 4-6 p.m., Saturdays 3-5 p.m., Sundays. 2000 O Stephens, St. Clair Shores. \$3, adults or free, children 6 and under with parent/caregiver. (586) 445-5350.

Theater

PuppetART:
• "Close the Window," 2 p.m., Saturdays, through March 29.

Detroit Puppet Theatre, 26 E. Grand River, Detroit. \$5, children, \$7, adults.



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North's volleyball team serves up a district championship

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team didn't have long to savor its Class A district championship before reality set in.

"It's like, 'Congratulations on winning the district. Now you have to play Fraser,'" said coach Kim Lockhart after the Norsemen defeated Detroit Finney 15-2, 15-3 in

the district title game at Grosse Pointe South.

North will host the regional on Friday night. The Norsemen's semifinal opponent is defending state champion Fraser, which won the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division, and was ranked second in the state in the final Class A coaches' poll.

The North-Fraser match

is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

North's toughest match in the district was its first against crosstown rival South. The Norsemen won the first game 15-6, lost the second 15-17, and won the third 15-4.

"That second game was the best I've seen South play," Lockhart said. "There were a lot of good, long rallies. I'm just glad we ended

up on top because everyone's so pumped up for that match."

North followed its victory over South with a 15-5, 15-8 win over Regina.

"The schedule that we play during the season really helped us in the district," Lockhart said. "We finished tied for fourth in the league with Port Huron Northern. And we've played some very

good teams in the weekend tournaments we've gone to."

Fraser, Marysville and Chippewa Valley finished ahead of North in the MAC Red. All three won district championships, and all three have been in the top 10 in the state rankings during the season.

"That's not going to make much difference this weekend because Fraser's been

playing just as tough a schedule as we have," Lockhart said.

Improved serving was one of the keys to North's dominance in the district.

"Last year we served really well, but for most of this year, our serving just wasn't there," Lockhart said. "The last two weeks we've focused on improving our serves,

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Rice ends Norsemen's hockey season

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

For the first time in three years, Grosse Pointe North's hockey season won't end with a victory.

Surprising Brother Rice beat the two-time defending state Division II champions 5-2 in the regional title game Saturday at City Ice Arena.

"I think we should have been in the quarterfinals, but we had a couple of lapses, and I thought we had some calls go against us," said North coach Scott Lock.

"Brother Rice played good hockey all through the tournament. They played well against U-D (Jesuit in a 2-0 regional semifinal win), and they came into our game with confidence."

The Warriors' Eric Kozik scored a power-play goal with 1:24 left in the second period to tie the game at 2-2. Moments later, Brother Rice goalie Dan Hemphill stopped the Norsemen's Jon Tibaudo on a breakaway attempt.

Between periods, Lock issued a warning to his play-

ers.

"I told the kids, 'they stayed with us. Now they have us where they want us — in a one-goal game.' They got some bounces in the third period, but they created their own, too."

Rice, which is 8-11-7 after winning the regional, broke the 2-2 tie at 2:37 of the third period on a goal by defenseman Craig Dulman on a shot from the point. A North player went down to block the shot, but it hit his stick and deflected past goalie Collin Chase.

The Norsemen had another good scoring chance foiled when Andy Miele was stopped on a breakaway. The Warriors then came down the ice and Doug Pickens scored on a 2-on-1 break at 3:16.

"After watching the film, I saw that Andy got slashed on the elbow just as he was taking the shot," Lock said.

Brother Rice capped its three-goal outburst with a power-play goal by Matt Pickens at 5:01.

"A lot of people didn't think we could do it,"

Warriors coach Barry Mills said of the regional championship. "At the end of the regular season we were struggling a little and trying to find ourselves, but when we beat U-D we got our confidence back."

Mills agreed that his team felt good about going into the third period tied.

"We've played seven ties this year; so we know how to react when it's a close game in the third period," Mills said.

North had numerous chances in the first two periods, especially during a power play late in the first period, but the Norsemen either missed the net, didn't get a shot off, or Hemphill came up with a good save.

North's Colin Brown finally broke the scoreless tie at 1:31 of the second period when he knocked in Tibaudo's rebound from the edge of the crease. Patrick Hogan also assisted.

Brother Rice's Gavin McDermott tied the game at 1-1 at 5:26 when North failed to clear a rebound, and McDermott jammed the

puck past Chase.

Chase made an excellent play to stop the Warriors' Matt Petry on a shorthanded breakaway. Chase cut down the angle and forced Petry to shoot wide.

The Norsemen regained the lead at 11:20 when Brown scored his second goal of the game from a scramble in front of the net. Hogan and Tibaudo assisted.

Brown had been a defenseman until Lock moved him to forward about three weeks ago.

"He responded well," Lock said. "He has some offensive skills and a good shot. I thought he and Tibaudo were our best players against Rice, and they're both sophomores."

North reached the regional title game with a 3-1 victory over Grosse Pointe South.

South dominated the first two periods and the early part of the third, but the play of Chase kept the Norsemen in the game.

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Photo by Rosh Sillars
Grosse Pointe North goalie Collin Chase was the difference in the Norsemen's Division II regional win against Grosse Pointe South.

Trinity upsets Crusaders

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Trinity's boys basketball team earned its most impressive win of the season last week, beating Center Line St. Clement 70-67.

St. Clement is ranked No. 6 in Class D.

"This is a huge win for us," head coach Ron Perfetto said. "The guys were aggressive, and they played with the attitude that they were just as good as St. Clement."

The aggressive philosophy worked as the host Lancers led 17-12 after the first quarter, 35-32 at the half and 53-46 after three periods.

Perfetto called for a trapping defense that forced the Crusaders into three consecutive turnovers.

The Lancers converted those turnovers into three layups, which helped them build a 61-48 lead with 5:27 left.

St. Clement showed why it is one of the top ranked teams in Class D, making a comeback that would eventually cut the deficit to 66-65 with 1:15 left.

Junior Ron Hildreth hit two free throws with 36.5 seconds left to give the Lancers a 68-65 lead, but the Crusaders came right back to make it 68-67 with 24.6 ticks remaining.

Junior Quintan Washington dribbled through St. Clement's press and scored on a layup, providing the final margin of victory.

The Crusaders forced a three-pointer with three seconds left that missed, sending Trinity to the win.

"The guys have really worked hard during the past few weeks, which was evident in their performance

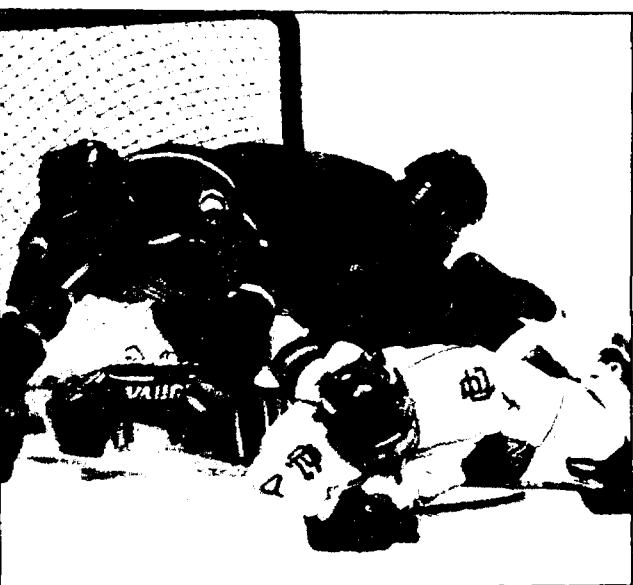


Photo by Rosh Sillars
Grosse Pointe North's Steve Debol gets knocked into the ice in front of the Brother Rice net during last week's regional championship game.

Eagles roll to third straight district title

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Lutheran East's girls volleyball team captured its third straight Class D district title last weekend, crushing Detroit Holy Redeemer 15-0, 15-4 in the championship match.

The host Eagles disposed of Trinity Catholic 15-0, 15-10 in the semifinals.

"The girls played very well," East head coach Reay Zoellner said. "The girls were focused in each match, and they never let Holy Redeemer or Trinity get within range of winning one game."

Seniors Kelli Zoellner, Kristin Altenburg, Sherrie Wier, Caitlin Gerds, Stacy Turgeon and Sarah Schurig, and juniors Brandy Dona and Jamie Pokropowicz, were at the top of their game as they defended their title.

"I told the girls they had to get Trinity and Holy Redeemer down early and not let them get into a

rhythm," Zoellner said. "They know they have to play this well throughout the remainder of the tournament because every opponent will be good."

Since losing to Lutheran Westland on Feb. 4, the Eagles have rolled off 10 consecutive wins, raising their overall record to 32-9-5.

Trinity Catholic ended its season 1-17 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is a Class D regional tournament on Saturday, March 8, against Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, at Center Line St. Clement.

In the other semifinal, St. Clement faces Warren Zoe Christian.

"We know what we have to do to win, and that is to play well," Zoellner said. "We can't fall asleep on the court during any stretch of play, or else Inter-City Baptist will beat us."

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South qualifiers

Seven Grosse Pointe South swimmers will compete in this weekend's Division I state meet at Eastern Michigan University. In front, from left, are Casey Browning, Josiah Spurr, Pete Stevens and Dave Richardson-Rossbach. In back, from left, are Luke Richard, Mike Dunaway and Ben Jenzen. Richard qualified in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events and Jenzen qualified in the 50 freestyle. South's 200 medley relay and 200 freestyle relay teams also qualified.

Notre Dame hockey falls 6-2 in regional championship

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

For a second straight season, Notre Dame's hockey team lost a Division III regional championship game to perennial powerhouse Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

"Our seniors have to play a good game in order for us to beat Cranbrook," head coach Kevin McKay said. "They have tradition, state titles, and the home ice advantage, but we will play to win."

It took a late third period goal for the Cranes to edge the Fightin' Irish a year ago, but last weekend Chase Langlais scored five goals to lift Cranbrook Kingswood to a 6-2 victory.

Senior Chris Anderson and junior Steve Pokarski scored for the Fightin' Irish.

McKay's squad advanced to the title game by defeating University of Liggett School 5-1 in the semifinals and Birmingham Detroit Country Day 4-2 in the first round.

The win over Country Day erased two earlier losses (2-1 and 5-1) the Irish suffered

to the Yellowjackets.

"Our guys came out inspired to beat Country Day after losing twice to them this season," McKay said.

The Irish led 1-0 and 2-1 before Country Day came back to tie the game at two, but McKay's squad tallied twice in the final half of the contest to win.

Seniors Pat Irwin, Brandon Forth, Steve Simon, Andrew, David Lipa, Jason Vitella, Mike Mlynarek and Tom Weiss played well, as did junior John Van Oenen.

Senior Scott McKay earned the win between the pipes for Notre Dame, which ended the season 17-9-1 overall and ranked in the top 10 in Division III.

Basketball

The Notre Dame basketball team ran its winning streak to three last week, beating Redford Bishop Borgess 62-43 and Walled Lake Northern 69-24.

"We're starting to play better team basketball," head coach Don Sicko said. "I like our intensity on both ends of the court."

The host Fightin' Irish took it right at both opponents, opening a double-digit lead at the half of each game.

Junior Seth Quaranta had the hot hand in both games, scoring 16 points against Bishop Borgess and 19 against Northern.

Other top performers were seniors Phil Simon, Brad Michaels, John Pelak, Andy Kwietniewski, Mike Melnyk and Dave Drwencke.

Senior Marvin Listenbee sprained an ankle in the third quarter against Bishop Borgess and did not return.

"Marvin will be ready for the state playoffs," Sicko said. "All of our kids are ready to play."

The Notre Dame basketball team finished its regular season at 12-8 overall.

Wrestling

Upcoming for Dan Hughes, Jarred Hudson, Sal Valgoi, Mark Nemeckay, Jacob Vasquez and Steve Chauvin is the Division II individual state wrestling finals on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 6, 7 and 8, at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Trinity

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tonight," Peretto said. Hildreth finished with 24 points, followed by Washington with 13, sophomore Kyle Williams with 11, junior Lonnie Pettway with 10 and freshman Anthony Howard with six.

The Lancers won the game despite missing starters Brian Loyd and Antonio Hinton.

Earlier in the week, Trinity beat host Marine City Cardinal Mooney 51-46 as Hildreth scored 19 points and Washington had 11.

It's the second time this season the Lancers have won back-to-back games. The first time was Dec. 17 and Dec. 20, beating Sterling Heights Bethesda Christian 76-65 and Livonia Churchill 74-72 in double-overtime.

The Trinity Catholic basketball team ended its regular season 5-13 overall.

"It's been a long season, but I can see a light at the end of the tunnel," Peretto said. "Our guys are playing with a lot of confidence, which we take into the state playoffs."

Denby ends South's season

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's basketball team made a quick exit from the state tournament this week.

And it was no surprise to anyone.

The Blue Devils, who won only two games during the regular season, drew Detroit Public School League powerhouse Denby and the Tars rolled to a 65-23 victory in the Class A district opener at South.

"It's tough to compete against a team like that with our youth and inexperience," said Blue Devils coach George Petrouleas.

"You need confidence in a game like this and we didn't have it. You could see Denby had confidence. They were quick and aggressive. We

were tentative."

It was a far cry from the tournament game a few years ago when a South squad led by Mike Gotfredson, Adam Hess and Steve Howson stunned a Denby team that was ranked No. 1 in the state in Class A.

"Those kids had the same swagger that Denby did," Petrouleas recalled. "They knew they could beat them — and they did."

Denby led 18-8 at the end of the first quarter. The Tars started an 18-0 run late in the first quarter with the last 13 points of the spurt coming as a direct result of South turnovers.

Petrouleas called several timeouts in hopes of slowing down Denby, but it was too late.

"We're just so limited in what we can do," he said.

South finished with 32 turnovers, including 11 in the second quarter.

Enrico Harris led Denby with 21 points, including eight in a row in the third quarter. Darryl Garrett had 12 and Michael Ashford added 11.

Brett Read led South with seven points, one more than Brett Fragel, who closed out his career with the Blue Devils. Fragel had a game-high six rebounds and five blocked shots.

Denby, which finished fifth in the final Associated Press state rankings, took a 17-2 record into its district semifinal game against Grosse Pointe North.

North secures a .500 season

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Young basketball teams measure success in different ways than veteran squads do.

So last week, when Grosse Pointe North beat St. Clair 70-65 in the final regular season game, it assured the Norsemen of a winning season.

"It wasn't a pretty game, but we won and because we won we'll finish the year over .500," said coach Matt Trombley.

The Norsemen have seven sophomores and only one senior on their 12-man roster, so finishing above .500 while playing in the Macomb Area Conference White Division, is no small accomplishment.

For a while last Friday, it looked like North was going to be hard-pressed to beat the Saints, who have struggled this year after losing most of last year's team to graduation.

"We played a terrible first half," Trombley said. "Nothing we did on defense caused them any problems. Fortunately, the second half was a different story."

The Norsemen trailed 34-29 at halftime, but they held St. Clair to only 10 points in the third quarter and went into the final period with a 47-44 advantage.

"When you have a young team and you're not playing for anything, you don't play with a lot of urgency when the game's on the line," Trombley said.

"When you have a lot of seniors, they realize that their careers are ending and they start to play with urgency."

Trombley said that is the way it is with North's lone senior, Andrew Tymrak.

"He's been outstanding the last few games," Trombley said. "He's playing with that urgency you see from a player who's almost done with his career."

In each of last week's two games, Tymrak scored seven points and dished out nine assists.

Michael Bramos was North's leading scorer against St. Clair with 21 points, including four three-point baskets. Jake Krystoforski turned in a solid game and scored 10 points.

Earlier, North lost 68-58 to Port Huron but there were a lot of things Trombley liked about the game.

"I liked the way we competed for 3 1/2 quarters," he said. "When we fell behind in the first half, I called a timeout and the kids responded well to the adjustments we made."

"We had trouble scoring against (Port Huron's) zone at first, but we adjusted and Marcell Maxwell and David Klein worked well in the post. That's how we got the lead back."

North led 28-24 at halftime, but the Big Reds regained the lead in the third quarter and had a one-point advantage going into the final period. The game was still tied with about three minutes left.

Bramos led the scoring with 25 points, including five three-pointers, and he had five blocked shots. Bryan Bennett played a solid all-around game for the Norsemen.

North finished with an 11-9 overall record and an 8-6 mark in the MAC White.

South gets its second victory

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's basketball team got its second victory of the season last week, but just like the last time the Blue Devils won, they weren't able to build on it for another victory.

"Tonight's game was disappointing because (Dakota) wanted it a lot more than we did," said South coach George Petrouleas after his team's 65-39 loss to the Cougars in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division game. "They outworked us and outthrustled us."

The Blue Devils stayed with the Cougars for most of the first half. The game was tied at 21-all after a basket by South's Brett Fragel with 1:49 remaining in the first half.

Dakota then closed out the half with 10 straight points, including three-point baskets by Ty Warczynsky

and Brad Harrison, and South never recovered.

The Cougars had another 10-0 run in the third quarter, and took a 48-27 lead into the final quarter after outscoring the Blue Devils 17-6.

"Our guard play was horrible," Petrouleas said. "We didn't take care of the ball."

Fragel finished with 12 points, six rebounds and five blocked shots. Andrew Wolking scored nine points for South, while Brendan Butler had six points and six rebounds and Brett Read finished with six points and five rebounds.

Warczynsky led Dakota with 20 points. Harrison and Jeremy Thoel added nine apiece and Larry Pietron pulled down 13 rebounds for the Cougars.

South's 55-46 victory over L'Anse Creuse earlier in the week was the Blue Devils' second win of the season

against the Lancers.

South held a 25-24 lead at halftime and increased the margin to eight points at the end of three quarters. The Blue Devils maintained a five- to 10-point lead for the rest of the game.

"We had only nine turnovers — and (the Lancers) were pressing," Petrouleas said. "When you have 12 or 15 more possessions, you have more opportunities to score."

Freshman Christian Conroy led South with a season-high 20 points.

Fragel had another solid performance with 12 points, nine rebounds and three blocks. Read, who has been coming on in the second half of the season, collected seven points, nine rebounds and two assists.

South closed out the regular season with a 2-12 record in the MAC Red and a 2-18 overall mark.

GPHA Sabres have a strong run in district tournament

The Sabres, who represented the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association in the recent District 3 Squirt House playoffs, had an excellent run in the tournament.

The Sabres won five straight games before losing 2-1 to the Rochester Anacondas in the championship game.

On their way to the finals, the Sabres beat the best Squirt house teams from Mount Clemens, Royal Oak, St. Clair Shores, Troy

and Rochester.

It was the farthest a GPHA house team had advanced in more than a decade.

The Sabres received excellent goaltending from James Graves, who was supported by a fine defense corps of Emily Wybo, Charlie Griffin, Matt Hughes and Blair Listwan.

Offensively, the Sabres were led by Cameron Ballew, Greg Griffin, Thomas McCarter, Jon Parker, Brad Remillet,

Jordan Teets, Alex Tomovski and Clark Wells.

South grad helps Alma

Colleen Trybus hit a two-run first inning home run to help lift the Alma College softball team to a 7-0 victory over SUNY-Potsdam in the Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic in Fort Myers, Fla.

Trybus, who graduated from Grosse Pointe South, hit a two-run triple in an earlier 8-0 win over SUNY-Potsdam.

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Poor free-throw shooting dooms Harper Woods in Metro tourney semifinal loss

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Harper Woods' boys basketball team was its own worst enemy in last week's 68-63 Metro Conference tournament semifinal loss to visiting University Liggett School.

The Pioneers shot less than 30 percent in the game and made only 15-of-33 free throws.

For head coach Loren Ristovski and his Pioneers, it was their first conference loss since falling to Lutheran Westland in the conference tournament game two years ago.

"This will motivate us to play better," senior guard Eric Brice said. "We had won 12 in a row; so I guess it's better to lose now than next week in the district tournament."

"It's only one game," junior forward Jesus Melendez said. "We will be back."

Ristovski watched his Pioneers play their worst game since getting upset 54-51 by Center Line St. Clement on Dec. 17.

Despite the team's shortcomings, the Pioneers still had a shot to send the game to overtime, but a costly turnover with 12 seconds

left helped ULS pull it upset.

Harper Woods led 21-17 after the first quarter but trailed 35-34 at the half and 50-47 after the third period.

Sophomore Jerome Douglas' hoop with 5:43 left in the fourth quarter gave the Pioneers a 53-52 lead, but ULS was able to regain the lead 65-63.

The turnover and three free throws sent ULS over the top.

Junior Bruce Mosely scored 22 points to lead the Pioneers, followed by sophomore Justin Popov with 14 and Brice with 13.

Junior Gilbert Walker added 10 points, while Douglas had three and Melendez had only one point.

Harper Woods played Lutheran Westland in the consolation game, winning 81-50 as senior Pete Palm scored a career-high 17 points.

Brice led the team with 24 points, and senior Chris Hale added 10.

The Harper Woods basketball team finished the regular season 10-1 in the Metro Conference and 16-3 overall.

Volleyball

The Harper Woods girls volleyball team ended its season with a thud last weekend, losing in three games to University Liggett School in a Class D district semifinal match.

The host Pioneers made things interesting after trailing 14-5 in game three.

They roared back to cut the deficit to 14-13, but ULS escaped by earning the final point.

Royal Oak Shrine buried ULS in the title match.

"I was pleased with our effort," head coach Liza Rogers said. "Our girls fought back from adversity to nearly steal a win away from Liggett."

Seniors Lyndsay McDonough and Amanda Knoth and junior Angela Wierszewski were outstanding.

"Lyndsay, Amanda and Angela played very well in each of the three games, and I called up a couple of girls from the junior varsity who also did a nice job," Rogers said. "It was a disappointing season, but there is optimism for our future."

Earlier in the week, the Pioneers lost to Clintondale and Roseville in nonleague

action.

"The matches got us ready for the districts," Rogers said. "We had our bright moments in each match, but we were overmatched for the most part."

The Harper Woods volleyball team finished the season 4-14 overall.

Rogers will lean on returning veterans Wierszewski, Crystal Norman, Becky Nanni, Jade King, Maria Mahon and Sally Smolinski to lead the charge next season.

Wrestling

Upcoming for Jeremy Myers, Steve Orjada, Mike Monaghan and Adam DiGiovanni is the Division IV individual state wrestling finals on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 6, 7 and 8, at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

East stuns Cranes

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

The Lutheran East boys basketball team is starting to find its groove.

Head coach Gary Gutenkunst was all smiles after his Eagles routed host Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood 55-27 in the consolation semifinals of the Metro Conference Tournament.

"It was what we have been waiting for all season," Gutenkunst said. "This is how the team should have been playing, but it took the guys longer than I thought. They played very well tonight, especially on defense."

The Eagles took an early lead and stretched it to 12 at the half.

They kept the defensive pressure on the Cranes and pulled away in the second half.

Junior Robert Carlisle nearly had a double-double, getting nine points and nine steals, while seniors Chris Gibson and Matt Machemer scored 11 points apiece to lead the team.

East lost to rival Macomb Lutheran North 55-44, finishing sixth in the nine-team conference tournament.

Gutenkunst's squad finished the regular season 3-9 in the Metro Conference and 6-14 overall.



Photo by Bob Bruce

Harper Woods' Eric Brice, right, goes up for two points in the Pioneers' conference tournament loss to University Liggett School.

GPHA results, highlights from house league games

SQUIRT HOUSE

Sabres 4, Patriots 1
Goals: Alex Tomovski 2, Brad Remillet, Jordan Teets (Sabres); T.J. Livingston 2, Tripp Damman (Patriots).

Assists: Cameron Ballew, Jon Parker, Remillet (Sabres).

Comments: The victory wrapped up an undefeated regular season for the Sabres.

Sabres 7, Jr. Bulldogs 3
Goals: Brad Remillet 4, Greg Griffin, Alex Tomovski (Sabres); Sean Belanger, Michael Gula, Sam Wittmer (Jr. Bulldogs).

Assists: Griffin, Tomovski 2, Jon Parker, Remillet (Sabres); Katie Case (Jr. Bulldogs).

Sabres 4, Redhawks 1
Goals: Brad Remillet 3, Cameron Ballew (Sabres); Emma Hull (Redhawks).

Assists: Remillet, Jon Parker, Matt Hughes (Sabres); Nate Zimmeth (Redhawks).

Sabres 5, Hawks 0
Goals: Alex Tomovski, Cameron Ballew 2, Brad Remillet, Greg Griffin (Sabres).

Assists: Remillet, Thomas McCarter, Tomovski (Sabres).

Sabres 5, Patriots 3

Goals: Brad Remillet 2, Alex Tomovski 3 (Sabres); T.J. Livingston 2, Tripp Damman (Patriots).

Assists: Matt Hughes, Charlie Griffin, Cameron Ballew, Thomas McCarter (Sabres); Damman 2, Jonathan Roberts, Jeff Graves (Patriots).

Comments: The victory sent the Sabres into the District 3 playoffs as the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association's representative.

Patriots 6, Chill 5

Goals: Jonathan Roberts 3, Jeff Graves 2, Steven Sudney (Patriots); A. Wojnar 2, Zak Martinelli, I. Pieprowski, R. Poirier (Chill).

Assists: Sudney 4, Christian Vervaeke 2, Lauren Giorgio, Cara Monforton, Tyler Vens (Patriots); Wojnar 2, Martinelli, Pieprowski, Poirier (Chill).

Comments: The Patriots scored the last three goals of the game for the comeback win. Graves scored the tying goal and Roberts scored the winner in the third period.

Blake Sanford was the winning goalie. Vernell Johnson and Martinelli played solid games for the Chill.

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The Blue Devils had a 25-10 edge in shots for the first two periods and finished with a 32-15 advantage.

"They outworked and outplayed us for two periods and for the first five minutes of the third, but Collin saved us," Lock said.

"He's so sound fundamentally, and he's a great kid. I really feel fortunate to have been able to coach him the last three years."

Hogan broke a 1-1 tie at 4:45 of the third period. North's Drew Davis intercepted a clearing pass by South and passed to Hogan, who scored from the edge of the crease.

After Chase made a good save on the Blue Devils' Justin Graves with about nine minutes left, North got an insurance goal when a South player knocked the puck into his own net on a clearing attempt. Peter Baratta got credit for the unassisted goal at 9:16.

"Once we went ahead 2-1, we started to dominate the game," Lock said. "We're so young. We don't always react well to adversity. I think if we had led in the third period against Brother Rice, we would have won

that game, too."

South opened the scoring at 4:02 of the first period when Brian Gatliff forced a turnover at the blue line and skated in alone on Chase.

North tied the game on a power-play goal by Tony Mendez on a shot from the left point that hit a Blue Devils player in the back and deflected past goalie Greg Smith at 6:26. Evan Chase assisted.

"I couldn't be more proud of the way my kids played," said South coach Bob Bopp. "I'm disappointed we didn't win because the kids deserved a victory, but we couldn't have played any better. Chase was the difference in the game."

South got outstanding performances from the defense pair of Jordan Winfield and Trey Shield and from forward Rob Porter.

Bopp had nothing but praise for the way the Blue Devils played this season.

"They proved over and over this year that they are winners," he said.

North opened the regional with a 10-0 victory over Berkley in a game that was stopped after two periods because of a mercy rule.

The Norsemen got goals

from Shawn Hunter and Eric Knoll in the first 2 1/2 minutes, and the rout was on. North led 5-0 after the first period.

Hogan and Tibaud each scored two goals for North, while Eric Dloski, Baratta, Chris Ahee and Brown also had one apiece.

Ahee had two assists. Andrew Tignanelli, Steve Debol, Bobby Scarfone, John Dallas, Mendez, Jim Solomon, Hogan, Tibaud and Hunter collected one apiece.

North finished the season with a 12-10-5 overall record.

"Right now I'm a little bitter, but that's reality," Lock said. "We had a half-way decent year after losing 10 seniors and (Trevor) Mallon (who played Junior hockey in Canada)."

"We have a good group of young kids, but sometimes you don't know that feeling — and what it takes to win — until you lose. I've already had a lot of them tell me what they were going to do in the offseason to get ready for next year. That's encouraging."

North

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and the girls came through on Saturday."

Several players contributed to the district championship.

"It was a team effort," Lockhart said. "Everyone we put in played well, and everybody got a chance to play."

Meghan Brennan had 19 kills and 24 digs, while Shelby Simmon had 13 kills, 25 digs and five ace serves in the three district matches. Freshman Jessie Koltun had 11 kills and nine blocks, and Liz Andary had 11 kills and six blocks.

Erin Tobin collected 69 assists in district play, and she also had seven blocks.

"Stephanie Rose and Chelsea Ochylski each served tough all day," Lockhart said.

Earlier North closed out the league season with a loss to Port Huron Northern.

"Except for Shelby and Chelsea, we didn't play well against Northern," Lockhart said. "I think we're better than they are, but we didn't play that way on Wednesday night."

"Fortunately, we played much better on Saturday."



Grosse Pointe North's volleyball team won the Division I district championship at Grosse Pointe South last week. The Norsemen defeated Detroit Finney in the final match after beating Grosse Pointe South and Regina to qualify for the final. In front, from left, are Ashley Zimmerman, Chelsea Ochylski, Meghan Brennan, Shelby Simmon and Marian Testori. In the middle row, from left, are Erin Tobin, Leigh Ann Colson, Jennifer Gately, Sara Chapman, Emily Schleicher and Catherine Solomon. In back, from left, are coach Rene Zentz, Lauren Andary, Liz Andary, Stephanie Rose, Jessie Koltun and coach Kim Lockhart.

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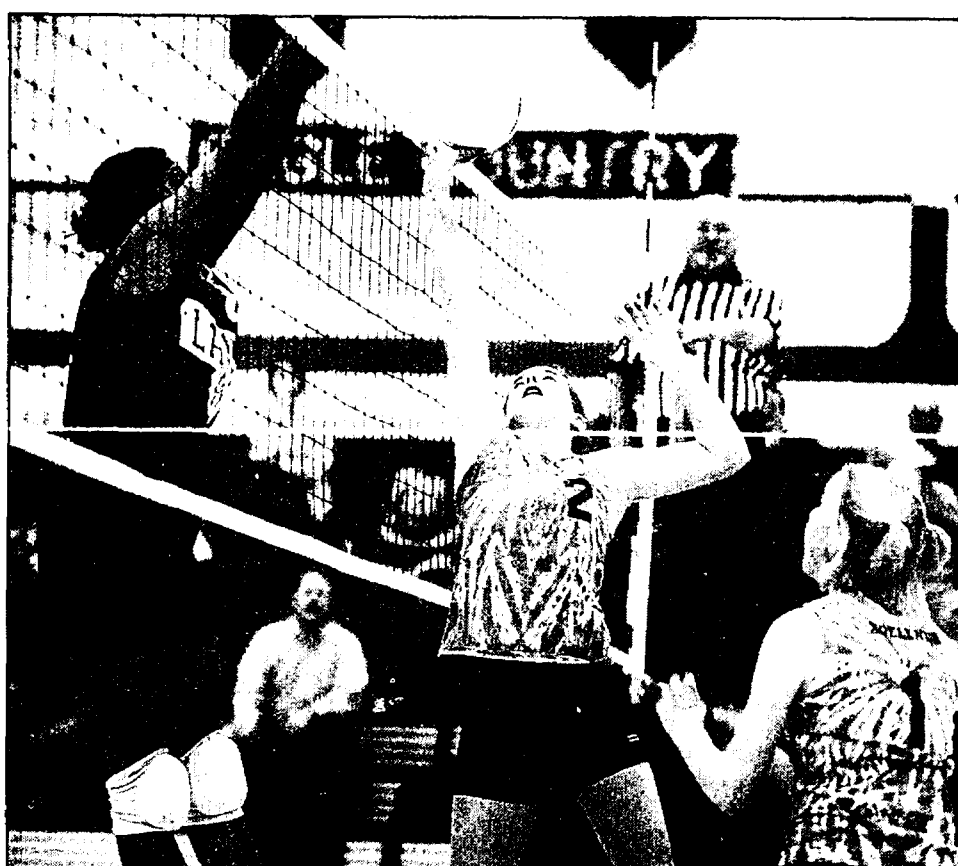
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Lutheran East senior Kristin Altenburg, No. 2, tips a ball toward an awaiting Trinity Catholic defender in the Eagles' district semifinal win.

Photo by Joel Wintermantle

South wins regular season title in girls hockey league

Grosse Pointe South's girls hockey team posted a pair of decisive victories this week to win the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League championship.

The Blue Devils finished 19-1 in the league. Their only loss was to runner-up Cranbrook Kingswood, which posted an 18-1-1 mark.

Grosse Pointe North was third at 14-5-1.

South led the league in goals (157), goals against (24) and shutouts (9).

South's first game last week was a 9-0 shutout of University Liggett School.

Meghan McCaughey and Sarah Parker each collected two goals and two assists. Lauren Vallee had a pair of goals as the Blue Devils did all of their scoring in the first two periods.

South's defense rarely let the Knights control the puck

inside the Blue Devils' defensive zone.

Stephanie McLroy played well in goal for ULS as she stopped 24 shots. Whitney Hughes recorded her fourth shutout for South.

Also scoring were Nettie Champine, Emily Shefferly and Amelia Altavena. Heather Doughty collected three assists, while Katie McMillan, Altavena, Christina Monforton, Katie Lewandowski, Emele Williams and Shefferly picked up one apiece.

South celebrated its Senior Night with an 8-1 win over Plymouth Canton-Salem.

Graduating seniors Doughty, Vallee, Champine, McMillan, Caitlin Cory and Lewandowski and their parents were honored.

The Blue Devils played well offensively and defensively against an improving Plymouth squad.

Plymouth goalie Amanda Watkins turned back 42 shots. Olivia Pennebaker's third-period goal spoiled Hughes's shutout bid.

Shefferly scored three goals for South and Cory scored twice. Parker, Lewandowski and Hillary Inger added a goal apiece.

Parker, Doughty, Champine and Vallee each had two assists, while Williams, Altavena, Inger, Shefferly, McCaughey and Linda Stanek picked up one apiece.

The Blue Devils also got contributions from Kristin Inger, Liz Davisson, Monforton, Michelle O'Donoghue, Jessica Palffy, McMillan and Katie Gerow.

South, which will compete in the state tournament this week at the St. Clair Shores Civic Arena, is coached by Bill Fox and Ed O'Malley.

Spartans sweep District 3 hockey championships

The Grosse Pointe Spartans, a three-team independent travel hockey club, made it a clean sweep of the championships in the recent District 3 playoffs.

All three teams won their divisions and will represent District 3 in the state championships from March 14-16.

In addition to the Spartans' success, the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association had three teams that were runners-up in their divisions.

The Pee Wee A Spartans started the tournament with a 4-0 win over the Berkley Bears and a 6-0 shutout of the Great Lakes Panthers.

The Spartans then played the Grosse Pointe Bulldogs for the final spot in the winners' bracket.

The Spartans went ahead early on a rebound goal by Nick Bates, but the Bulldogs came back with two goals to lead 2-1.

In the third period, the Spartans' pressure forced a turnover. Bates scooped up the puck in the offensive zone and fed a perfect pass to Michael Yanis, who scored the tying goal.

Neither team scored again until midway through the second overtime when the Spartans' Kevin MacConnachie scored on a shot from the point to win the game 3-2.

Jon Freismuth played a strong game in goal for the Spartans.

In the Spartans' next game, they got another meeting with the Bulldogs, who emerged from the losers' bracket. This time the Bulldogs scored three goals in the first three minutes and posted a 3-0 victory.

That set up a championship showdown at Great Lakes Sports Center with the two local rivals meeting for the third time in a week.

The Bulldogs jumped ahead 1-0 on a goal early in the second period, but less than two minutes later, the Spartans' Danny Dougherty tied the game at 1-1.

Once again the teams went into overtime with the Spartans' Michael Rahaim making several excellent saves to preserve the tie.

Early in the second overtime, Spartans defenseman

Kelly O'Donnell-Daudlin sent a pass to Bates, who one-timed a shot into the net for a 2-1 victory.

The Spartans' effort featured relentless forechecking and balanced scoring from forwards Keith Sklarski, Jake Goldberg, Jimmy Morris, Derrick Bayagich, Bates, Dougherty, Ian Osborn, Taylor Tyll and Yanis.

The defensive unit of Frank Misuraca, Brad Tunesi, James Fish, Billy Daudlin, O'Donnell-Daudlin and MacConnachie also earned the praise of coaches Jim Morris, Mike Fish, Doug Rahaim and Jerry Freismuth.

The Pee Wee AA team had wins over Mount Clemens and Rochester before losing 3-2 to a strong Troy Sting squad, which sent the Spartans to the losers' bracket.

The Spartans bounced back to beat Rochester 7-1 and St. Clair Shores 3-1 to set up a two-game, must-win situation against Troy.

In the first game, the Spartans won 1-0. Chris Peters was taken down in

front of the net, but still got his stick on the puck and scored the game's only goal.

It was set up by excellent passes from Lance Lucas and Steve Eatherly. Strong goaltending by Eric Rohrkemper earned him his second shutout.

It was a different story the next night as the Spartans posted a 4-1 victory.

Troy scored the first goal of the game, but the Spartans tied the game before the first period ended on a bank shot off the goalie by Frank Aszatalos, assisted by Kevin Gibson.

The Spartans got second-period goals from Jack Sklarski, Bobby Barrett and Peters.

Strong defensive play by Alec Thieda, Mike Blazoff, Anthony Raymond, Nick Jost, Arthur Griem and Robert Wilson held Troy to only three shots in the third period.

The Spartans also got

strong contributions from Andrew Chovich, Brandon Dries, Justin Garafalo and Matthew Neal.

The Pee Wee AA team is coached by Robb McIntyre, John Sklarski, Bob Barrett and Steve Eatherly.

The Spartans Bantam A team went through the playoffs undefeated and capped the run with a 2-1 victory over Belle Tire in the championship game.

In the opener against the Michigan Jaguars, the Spartans got goals from Timmy Shield and Jeff Rohrkemper and excellent goaltending from Stephen Lane in a 2-0 victory.

The Spartans had struggled to beat the Troy Sting all season, but in the tournament the Grosse Pointe squad came away with a 2-1 victory on an overtime goal by Stephan Furstenau.

The Spartans' winning streak continued with a 4-1 win over the Grosse Pointe

Bulldogs and a 6-0 shutout of the Rochester Rattlers.

In the title game, Belle Tire scored first but Spartans' defenseman Michael Neveux tied the score early in the second period. Forward Dante DeSeranno got the winner when he knocked a rebound out of the air in the third period.

Jeff Rohrkemper, Stephen Lane, Furstenau, Neveux, DeSeranno.

Nick Cinquaranelli, Jason Lane, Sam Mott, Doug Rahaim and Chris Stephens have been on the team since its formation three years ago.

Newcomers Zac Archer, Alex Brooks, Matthew Burton, Anthony Paglino, Sean Martin, Jeff Rochon and Shield also made contributions to this year's success.

The Bantam team is coached by Robb McIntyre, Doug Rahaim and Rocco Cinquaranelli.

Hunt Club Schooling Show results

The Grosse Pointe Hunt Club sponsors monthly schooling shows.

Following are the results from the February show:

Class 1 — Open Hunter, Under Saddle, Split B: 1. Up First, Lauren Major. 2. Riviera, Caroline Jeffs. 3. El Conquistador, Katherine Ross.

Class 2 — Open Equitation, On the Flat: 1. Lauren Major. 2. Brianne Tito. 3. Caroline Jeffs.

Class 3 — Open Equitation, Over Fences: 1. Brianne Tito. 2. Caroline Jeffs. 3. Lauren Major.

Class 4 — GPHC Open Medal: 1. Caroline Jeffs. 2. Brianne Tito. 3. Lauren Major.

Class 5a — Novice Hunter, Under Saddle, Split A: 1. Jonny Moseley. 2. Haley Brush. 3. Phenomenon.

Class 5b — Novice Hunter, Under Saddle, Split B: 1. Scout's Honor, Claire Flood. 2. Lambada, Meghan Miller. 3. Death by Chocolate, Allison Howle.

Class 6a — Novice Equitation, On the Flat, Split A: 1. Haley Brush. 2. Andrea Gunn. 3. Aniela Schacht.

Class 6b — Novice Equitation, On the Flat, Split B: 1. Katie Nowak. 2. Allison Howle. 3. Meghan Miller.

Class 7 — Novice Equitation, Over Fences: 1. Allison Howle. 2. Jennifer Edwards. 3. Haley Brush.

Class 8a — Primary Hunter, Under Saddle, Split A: 1. Bailey, Jennifer Edwards. 2. Phenomenon.

Class 8b — Primary Hunter, Under Saddle, Split B: 1. Power Play, Katie Nowak. 2. Death by Chocolate, Allison Howle. 3. Plan B, Niki Mourelatos.

Class 9a — Primary Equitation, On the Flat, Split A: 1. Aniela Schacht. 2. Jennifer Edwards. 3. Meghan Miller.

Class 9b — Primary Equitation, On the Flat, Split B: 1. Allison Howle. 2. Katie Nowak. 3. Christina Monforton.

Class 10 — Primary Equitation, Over Fences: 1. Jennifer Edwards. 2. Meghan Miller. 3. Katie Nowak.

Class 11 — Crosspole Equitation, On the Flat: 1. Christina Monforton. 2. Marian Frame. 3. Kim Francis.

Class 12 — Crosspole Equitation, Over Fences: 1. Christina Monforton. 2. Marian Frame. 3. Kim Francis.

Class 13 — Adult Equitation, Walk Trot Canter: 1. Breanne Stall. 2. Kim Francis. 3. Marian Frame.

Class 14 — Adult Equitation, Walk Trot: 1. Paula Monforton. 2. Sue Bartos. 3. Katherine Baetz.

Class 15 — Pairs: 1. El Conquistador, Katherine Ross and Feature Presentation, Brianne Tito. 2. Death By Chocolate, Allison Howle and Lambada, Meghan Miller. 3. Fred, Becky Butler and Lost My Sock, Leah Nadeau.

Class 16 — Intermediate Equitation, On the Flat: 1. Madison Frame. 2. Allie Francis. 3. Leah Nadeau.

Class 17a — Advanced Beginner, Walk Trot, Split A: 1. Cara Monforton. 2. Madison Frame. 3. Taylor Blake.

Class 17b — Advanced Beginner, Walk Trot, Split B: 1. Ashley Ross. 2. Katie Murray. 3. Marissa Monforton.

Class 18 — Beginner Walk Trot: 1. Evelyn Hartman. 2. Peter Mourelatos. 3. Lena Tito.

Class 19 — Leadline: 1. Ellie Frame, McKenzie Frame and John Francis (ties).



Three former Grosse Pointe high school athletes competed in the recent Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. From left, are Dianna Anderson, Carly Piper and Lindsay Rodin.

Local swimmers do well in Big Ten Championships

Three Grosse Pointers competed in the recent Big Ten women's swimming and diving championships at Purdue.

Grosse Pointe North grad Carly Piper, who is now swimming for Wisconsin, was named Swimmer of the Championships for the second straight year after successfully defending her titles in the 200-, 500- and 1,650-yard freestyle events.

Piper was also a member of the winning 400 and 800 freestyle relay teams. She now owns nine Big Ten titles, trailing only Wisconsin's most-decorated swimmer, Ellen Stonebreaker, who won 10 titles.

"Carly's versatility is

unmatched in the Big Ten and she's proven herself as one of the elite swimmers in the nation," said Badgers coach Eric Hansen. "Her swimming made a statement and her versatility to go from the 100 in the 400 free relay to the mile was critical for us to do what we did."

Wisconsin finished second to Indiana in the meet and Piper kicked off the last day of action with a win in the 1,650, touching in at 16:02.61, nearly 18 seconds ahead of her nearest challenger.

The time is an NCAA 'A' cut and it beat her own school record set earlier this year.

Michigan State freshman

Lindsay Rodin, a Grosse Pointe South grad, had a personally satisfying meet with personal best in all four events she competed in.

She posted a time of 5:06.67 in the 500 freestyle; 58.85 in the 100 butterfly; 2:09.14 in the 200 butterfly; and had a 1:53.85 leg in the 800 freestyle relay that missed the school record by .02 seconds.

Rodin's best finish was 23rd in the 200 butterfly.

Michigan State sophomore diver Dianna Anderson finished 30th in one-meter diving with a score of 198.30. This was her first year competing for the Spartans.

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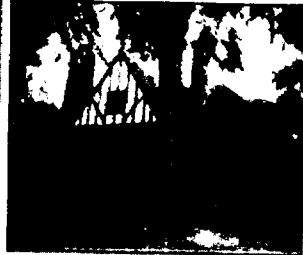
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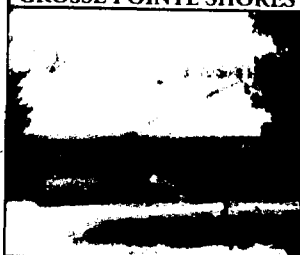
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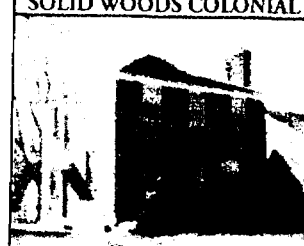
Perfect for Star of the Sea members. Tastefully redone oversized ranch with two and one-half baths, multiple fireplaces, kitchens and laundry facilities. Attached garage. In-law quarters possible. Keys at closing. New price. \$449,700 GP64RIR 313-886-5040

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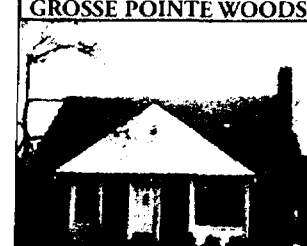
Large, beautifully maintained seven bedroom, five bath, brick, two family home. Newer air conditioning and updated boilers and tear-off roof. Lot to the north of property is available and lot to the south is included. \$505,000 GP62TRO 313-886-5040

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This Woods Colonial offers three bedrooms, hardwood floors, a natural fireplace, and a finished basement with bar. Owner willing to rent or sell. Rent for \$1,195 per month or buy for \$209,000 with possible terms. GP21EAN 313-886-5040

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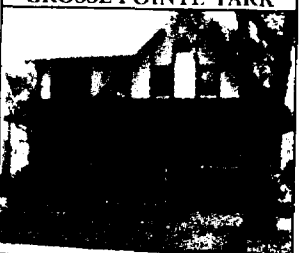
Immediate possession on this full brick bungalow in great area. Updated kitchen, good size living room with fireplace, formal dining room, master bedroom with full bath, wood floors. Newer roof, furnace and central air. \$224,500 GP17ALL 313-886-5040

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This bungalow offers a full bath and two bedrooms on the first floor and second floor. New in '99 oak kitchen and parquet flooring. Family room with gas fireplace. Finished basement and two and one-half car garage. \$214,300 GP12BRY 313-886-5040

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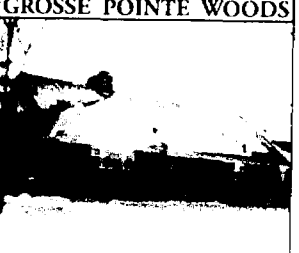
Everything has been done and done superbly! Generous room sizes, five bedrooms, two and one-half baths, and a great floor plan. Lead glass doors, stunning plaster detail, hardwood floors. Tasteful decor. A must see. \$529,000 GP12BIS 313-886-5040

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Pristine Colonial! Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths. Updated kitchen, hardwood floors, vaulted ceiling in family room, fireplace, finished basement with bath. Newer landscaping with sprinkler system. \$249,000 GP42MOR 313-886-5040

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Contemporary five bedroom home with open floor plan, vaulted ceilings. Totally updated kitchen and great room! Finished basement with rec room and office. Beautiful paver terrace. Three car attached garage. \$539,000 GP13NRE 313-886-5040

PARK BEAUTY



Quality craftsmanship abounds in this lovely home. Inlaid wood floors and leaded and cut glass windows and doors are present in this beautiful Colonial. Large lot filled with sun and shade will delight you. \$279,000 GP14BAL 313-886-5040

AWESOME BUY IN PARK



Three bedrooms and one and one-half baths. This home has a large living room that overlooks a nice patio and garden area, a cute kitchen, a first floor laundry, and newer windows. Grosse Pointe schools and parks! \$125,000 GP14LAK 313-886-5040

GROSSE POINTE FARMS



Grosse Pointe Farms spacious three bedroom brick ranch with updated furnace, central air, windows and hot water heater. Living room with gas fireplace and kitchen with oak cabinets. Finished basement. \$224,900 GP48ELL 313-886-5040

FARMS ENGLISH COTTAGE



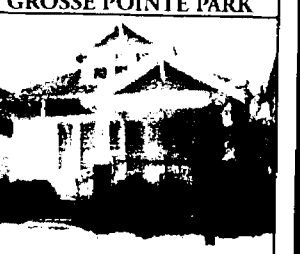
English Tudor in prime locale and situated on a double lot. Newer roof, refinished hardwood floors, updated kitchen, Corian counters. Second to the Hill for shopping and close to schools. New Price. \$218,900 GP21FIS 313-886-5040

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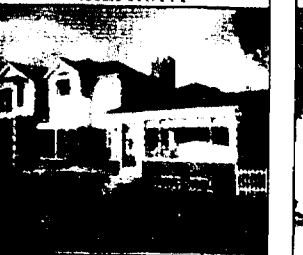
Gorgeous home! Open concept. Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths. Marble foyer. Kitchen center island, huge Great Room with fireplace. Four wells with water and electric. Three car garage! Owners anxious! \$575,000 CH2BOLD 586-949-5590

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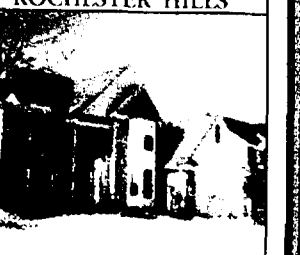
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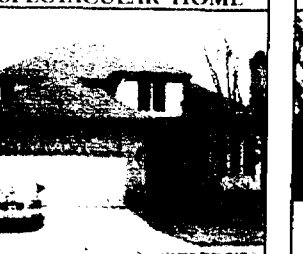
Spectacular three bedroom, three baths. Family Great Room with wood burning stove. Updated kitchen, all appliances, six person jacuzzi tub. Finished basement with natural fireplace, full bath, bedroom, rec room. \$749,000 SC26STA 586-778-8100

ROCHESTER HILLS



Four bedroom, two and one-half bath Colonial with nice floor plan, deck and wooded lot, backing to commons. Top of the line kitchen, pantry, family room and recessed lights. Basement, cedar deck and pavers. \$389,900 BH90DAK 248-642-8100

SPECTACULAR HOME



Luxurious community presents hardwood floors in foyer, library and gourmet kitchen with white cabinets and built-in appliances, finished basement and two car attached garage. Three bedroom, three full and two-half baths. \$579,900 PL36TUR 734-455-5600

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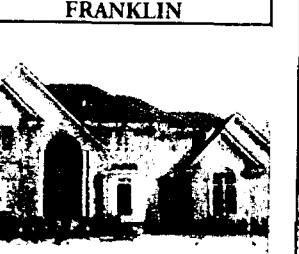
Brick courtyard entrance! Four bedrooms, three and one-half baths. Spacious master bedroom suite with jetted tub and walk-in closet, French doors to library, volume ceilings, finished lower level with walk-out. \$597,000 PL15WES 734-455-5600

ELEGANT CONDO



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Lovely and elegant home sitting on approximately one acre of wooded property. Large rooms, full finished basement with bath. Beautifully decorated with quality materials, less than four years old. \$940,000 BH30FOR 248-642-8100

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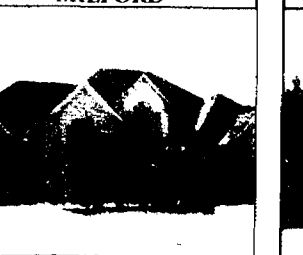
Remarkable sprawling ranch on approx. ten acres. Features include hardwood floors, large kitchen with island and built-in appliances, massive master with sauna, formal dining room, skylights. Great Room, pool. \$429,900 ST16MEM 586-939-2800

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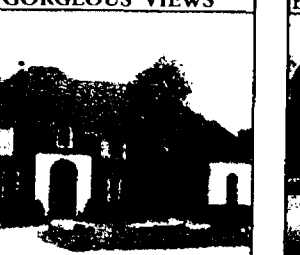
A must see! Custom built condo with top quality throughout and private setting backing to woods. Features include: hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, dental crown moldings and detailed trim. Fabulous maple kitchen. \$368,000 SH20CLE 586-731-8180

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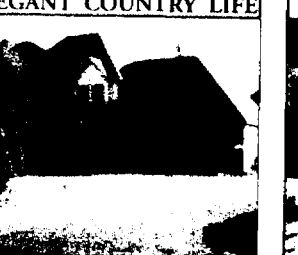
Simply gorgeous and custom built, all brick, on approximately one and one-half acres of beautiful private land. First floor master, large kitchen overlooking Florida room, good size bedrooms and four car garage. \$745,000 BH28CAN 248-642-8100

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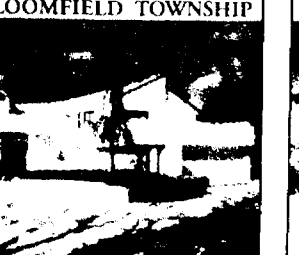
Spacious four bedroom, three full baths and two-half baths. Dual staircase with bridge overlooking Great Room and wooded nature preserve. Sitting room and fireplace in master suite, walk-out basement to two tier deck. \$827,500 PL46BRI 734-455-5600

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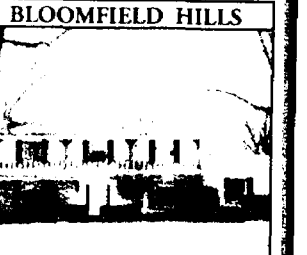
Beautiful and private home on approximately three acres. Four bedrooms including first floor master suite. Fabulous updated kitchen and bath. Wonderful views from all rooms. Area of multi-million dollar homes. \$1,777,000 BH15NR 248-642-8100

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