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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Sept. 18

The St. Clare of Montefalco PTO begins the first day of its 19th annual Used Book Sale in the church social hall. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. today and Friday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 21.

Saturday, Sept. 20

The Sunrise Rotary Club hosts the Grosse Pointe Run along a 3.1-mile route on Lakeshore between Provencal and Newberry.

A one-mile fun run begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by a 5K wheelchair race at 8:45 a.m., a 5K run, a 10K run and a 10K walk begin at 9 a.m.

A Family Fitness Fun event, held in conjunction with the run sponsored by the Family Center, begins at 8:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park.

Registration for both events begins at 7 a.m. at Pier Park.

For registration and more information, call the Family Center at (313) 432-3832 or visit gaultracemanagement.com

Monday, Sept. 22

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

Former Grosse Pointe resident Jeffrey Eugenides returns to Border's Books and Music's Grosse Pointe store in the Village to promote the newly-released paperback version of his 2003 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, "Middlesex," at 7 p.m.

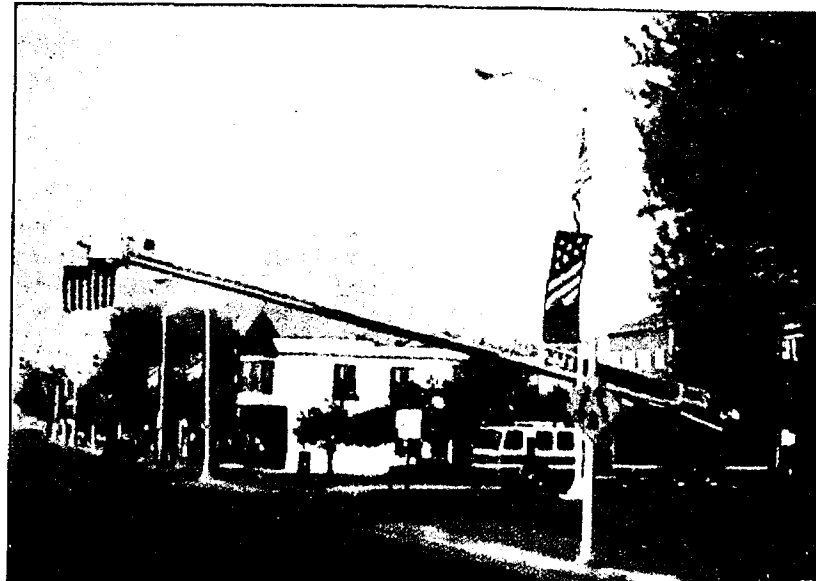
Wednesday, Sept. 24

As part of its ongoing effort to encourage reading by children, the Grosse Pointe Public Library is hosting a kids' book swap from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Central Library.

For more information, call (313) 343-2074.

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An American flag, above, waves above Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park's tribute to the morning two years ago when blue skies turned black in the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

Below, Grosse Pointe firefighters also hung their flag over Mack.

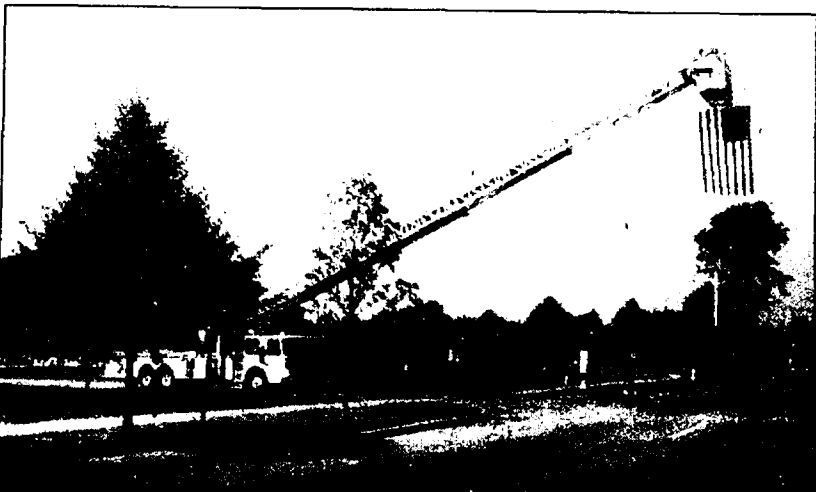


Photo by John Minnis

Park, Woods' 9/11 tributes touch motorists hearts

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

A small gesture made a big impact on suburban commuters passing through the eastside gateway to Detroit the morning of Sept. 11.

"Thank you for displaying the American flag over Jefferson Avenue," a Lakepointe resident thanked his hometown public safety department in Grosse Pointe Park. "I can think of no finer tribute to those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11."

The resident was one of many commuters who e-mailed appreciation of the way Park police and firemen honored the second anniversary of our nation's war on terrorism.

Officers remembered the day by suspending a flag over Jefferson from the outstretched ladder of a fire truck.

"Your silent tribute touched me deeply," wrote an Audubon resident who has a friend called to military duty in Kuwait. "My prayers are for all who protect us now and have done

so in the past. Thanks for the somber reminder."

"How wonderful that you displayed our flag using the fire truck," wrote a Grosse Pointe Woods resident who commutes Jefferson daily. "It evoked feelings of patriotism and resolve in me and hopefully others. It also reminded me what a wonderful job you guys do every day for the public."

Another letter came from a St. Clair Shores woman who commuted Jefferson on Sept. 11 instead of her normal routine down I-94.

"I decided to take the scenic route," she wrote. "The sight of the American flag hanging from that truck, both gleaming in the sunlight, gave me an emotional reaction that both surprised and moved me to an extent that is hard to describe. My eyes filled with tears. I felt both profound pride and sorrow. Without question, this was the most moving sight I had witnessed since 9/11."

The woman's father was a Park firefighter from 1950 to 1975.

Gas line break closes Mack

Construction was progressing smoothly on the Mack Avenue water main replacement project until shortly after 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 16.

Excavators breached a gas line in the middle of the Oxford turn-around.

"A crew hit a 6-inch gas main and put a 3-foot gash in it," said Mike Makowski, Woods director of public safety.

While some public safety officers swung into firefighter mode to prepare for the possibility of an explosion, others remained in blue uniform to help block off a danger area and warn the public to stay away.

"We established a safe perimeter, evacuated stores and kept pedestrians away," Makowski said.

Some households near the break were evacuated. Medics stood by as utility company workers made repairs. There were no injuries.

As the odor of rotten eggs spread downwind, officers closed Mack along a seven-block stretch from Torrey to Lochmoor. City employees barricaded alleys in the danger zone and blocked access to Mack from side streets.

Drivers were detoured onto residential streets. Mack was reopened at about 1 p.m., Makowski said.

Santa to navigate new parade route including the Hill

By Bonnie Caprara
 Staff Writer

The lyrics of a popular Thanksgiving song may have to be rewritten to say "Over the Village and through the Hill."

This year, the 28th annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, which takes place the day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 28, has scheduled a new route for Santa Claus and his entourage. The parade will now begin on Kercheval at Lewiston in the Farms and end at Cadieux in the Village. Past parade routes began on Fisher at Grosse Pointe South High School.

"It's always been talked about that the Hill and the Village do something together, and the parade was one of those ideas," said Ellen Durand, president of the Grosse Pointe Village Association.

"The Hill has been wanting to get involved in this for

a long time," said Mary Wells, secretary of the Hill Association. "The Hill used to be involved with the Taste of Grosse Pointe weekend in the Village, but we lost that connection."

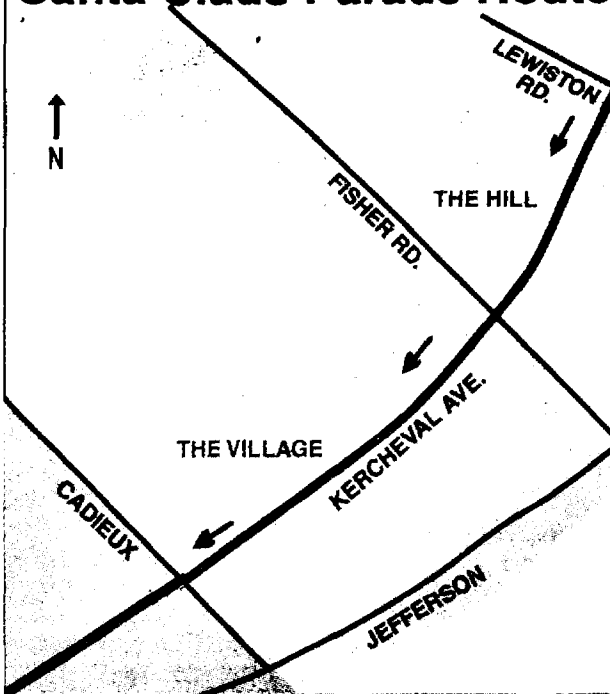
"Our focus is that we're here for the community, not just the Village or the Hill," Durand said. "Almost every family has someone involved in the parade."

Both merchant associations will share responsibilities in hosting the parade.

With the addition of the Hill Association, Durand said, "We're not looking to make a bigger parade; we're looking to build a more quality parade."

The theme of this year's parade is "Pet Parade," and additional bands and floats will be featured. Pre-parade festivities include entertainment by Paula Doak, the Merry Music Maker, in the Village and a performer to be announced in the Hill.

New Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade Route



POINTER OF INTEREST

Andrea Ward

Home: Grosse Pointe Park

Age: 26

Family: Single

Occupation: Media contact for the American Red Cross, Southeast Michigan chapter

Quote: "...What keeps you going is you have the capability to help prevent a tragedy from happening."

See story, page 4A



Andrea Ward

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The confusion which generally results when a two-way street is made one-way is fast disappearing on Fisher.

In the few days since Grosse Pointe Farms chief Walter Hoyt ordered a crackdown on drivers who ignore the new one-way edict, no tickets are issued.

■ In a sign of impending autumn, Grosse Pointe Park officials remind residents not to burn leaves on streets and sidewalks, but may do so in residential driveways.

■ G.I.'s manning the anti-aircraft battery at Chalfonte and Manor in Grosse Pointe Farms hope to spruce-up their muddy encampment with shrubbery discarded this autumn by local homeowners doing fall lawn work.

25 years ago this week

■ Barricades are erected across Brys Drive as a 90-day experiment commences to reduce cross-town traffic in the area of Eight Mile.

The Grosse Pointe Woods city council also orders barricades at the intersection of Brys and Helen.

As a result, drivers search for other outlets, namely Helen, Canton, Shorepointe Drive and Roslyn.

■ A number of Grosse Pointe Park residents support a proposed ordinance which will make it a misdemeanor for people to allow their dogs to defecate on anyone's property unless the animal's owner cleans up the dropping immediately afterward.

Only two people, apparently dog owners, express opposition.

■ Two of three Pointe-area hospitals report increases in bee stings. Health officials attribute the unusually high number of yellow jackets to extra dry weather this season.

10 years ago this week

■ Grosse Pointe South High School prepares to host its first nighttime football game. Five portable light towers rented by South's Booster Club will illuminate the field.

■ Two Grosse Pointe Park men die from injuries suffered in a 2:30 a.m. motorcycle crash on Moross in Detroit.

The driver, Michael Aaron Rogers, 22, and passenger Michael Dean Chambers Jr., 20, had been eluding Farms police who were trying to pull over the driver for speeding and operating a motorcycle without a license plate.

■ The Children's Home of Detroit wins a fight to expand its facilities on Cook Road in Grosse Pointe Woods. Approval means the Home will drop a lawsuit against the Woods because the city council denied a request for expansion in July.

As part of the agreement, Home officials agree not to conduct any on-site formal drug counseling treatment and assessment programs, but seminars and workshops that include information on substance abuse are allowed.

Both sides in the matter

agreed to pay their own legal expenses.

5 years ago this week

■ Jo Jo Krueger, 7, of Grosse Pointe Shores wins honorable mention for her pie-eating prowess at the Michigan State Fair.

The second grade student at Our Lady Star of the Sea has a busy day at the fair. She milks a cow, rides a horse belonging to the Detroit Mounted Police and wins second place in a limbo contest.

■ What starts out as a simple traffic stop for Grosse Pointe Park public safety officers ends up as a high-speed chase of a stolen pickup truck involving several police and gunshots being fired by officers on Detroit's eastside.

Police lost sight of the truck in the area of Harper and I-94.

■ Preparations are under way to solicit bids for a major facelift of the Village shopping district.

50 years ago this week



Football returns to the throne

King football has returned to the local sports scene. Leading the big grid parade are the Grosse Pointe High School Blue Devils. With the prospects of the local football stalwarts still somewhat of a question mark, the Blue Devils launch the 1953 season against Mount Clemens this Saturday afternoon in home territory at the high school field. (From the Sept. 17, 1953 Grosse Pointe News.)

Up to \$500,000 is tucked away in the City of Grosse Pointe budget for improve-

ments ranging from the unique and exceptional, such as a fountain and sculpture, to mundane but

necessary, like resurfacing Kercheval and repairing curbs.

— Brad Lindberg

Area cities eye next wave of wireless

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

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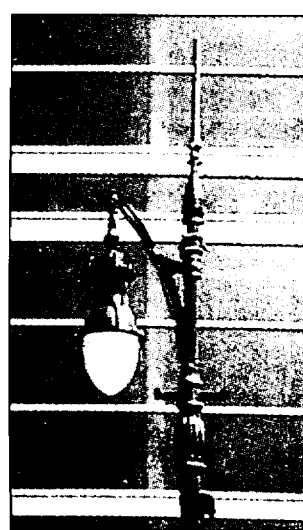
ClearLinx Network Corp. is currently working with the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores to set up a Distributed Antenna System (DAS).

DAS works much like hot spots — wireless transmission sources in place in many bookstores, restaurants and airports — where people can connect to the Internet on laptop computers and personal digital assistants (PDAs) within a 300-foot range.

With DAS, up to eight wireless providers can connect into a local station, known as a base station hotel, that takes a radio frequency (RF) signal and converts it into light pulses through a fiber grid in a 10-mile radius. The light pulses are then transformed back to an RF signal and is broadcast from a small antenna installed on top of utility poles every 3/10 mile.

"Basically, we provide next generation of infrastructure for wireless services including Wi-Fi (Wireless Fidelity)," said Dave Schneider, vice president of real estate development for ClearLinx. "What we do is to go into communities and turn that community into a hot zone. Anybody can go wherever they want in their houses, backyards or in the street, and pop open their laptop to hook up to their Internet provider."

DAS will provide for more bandwidth, which will increase the capability to send more pictures and data. It should also decrease the number of dropped cell phone calls, a common occurrence in the Grosse Pointes where many holes exist for several cellular telephone coverage areas



Instead of transmitting wireless communications from antennae on towers, the Distributed Antenna System (DAS) carries signals from a base station hotel through a fiber optic network linked to utility poles spaced 3/10 mile apart that are rigged with 18-inch antennae.

and because cellular antennae become overloaded, forcing them to drop calls. Schneider said DAS should also be able to accommodate the next wave in wireless technology: voice-over IP (Internet Protocol).

Michael Overton, the City's city manager, said he believed DAS would also cut down on the number of roaming charges from calls that get bounced to cellular towers in Ontario.

Currently, ClearLinx is working with Farms officials, trying to locate sites for a 3,000-square-foot base station hotel.

"We're in the initial discussion stages," said Farms City Manager Richard Solak. "It seems this is the road to our future communication needs and something we really need to look into."

ClearLinx has a right-of-way agreement with DTE Energy to install antennae to tops of their light poles and is working on such an agreement with Grosse Pointe Shores, which owns most of its utility poles.

"It sounds intriguing," said Michael Kenyon, the Shores' village superintendent.

"From my standpoint, I think it's great," Overton said. "Six or seven nodes (antennae) in our city should cover the area. It will improve the sight line if we can get rid of that tower (in one of the municipally-owned parking lots in the Village).

"I believe most Grosse Pointers have a lot of Internet savvy. With a community of our stature, they should expect these kinds of services, especially when it comes to phone and the Internet."

Overton said he would discuss ClearLinx's proposal with his city council at its September meeting.

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Mack bank project earns neighbors' interest

Contradictions mark building debate

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Banks thrive on interest, but not the kind displayed by opponents of Flagstar's new branch.

"It's a huge accident waiting to happen," said Cindie Slavik, who lives on Allard Avenue two houses from

where Flagstar Bank has plans for a building on Mack. The one-story, 3,037-square-foot brick facility will be Flagstar's second in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The branch will replace the Pointe Electronics building and former British Petroleum service station

near where Allard and Cook converge to form one of the busiest intersections on Mack.

"We don't mind them coming in," said Kelly Shimko, a few days after learning details of Flagstar's plan at the Sept. 8 meeting of the Woods city council. "We

want to have a say in their building — traffic and safety issues."

Shimko, an Allard resident, and others living near the site criticized the plan on three counts:

- light from a 24-hour automated teller machine (not up to five ATMs as rumored) will shine in their windows at night;
- two drive-through lanes exiting onto Allard will feed traffic to an area that is already congested; and
- children walking on Allard to and from Monteith Elementary School will be at risk crossing the exit lanes.

On the other hand, Amy Hicks — Allard, again — complained the bank would eliminate "space for retail, gathering, (a) restaurant or anything that could bring people to the community."

"I would hate to see a McDonald's thrown up there," said Council member Eric Steiner. "A bank would be a lot quieter."

"The noise level of a bank is far preferable," said Allen Dickinson, another council member.

Parking crunch

Gene Tutag, city building inspector, said, "The parking situation in the area will actually improve as a result of this development. The bank parking lot will not be closed off during non-banking hours."

The Woods planning commission approved the bank site plan at a routine meeting on Aug. 26. Approval was contingent upon the city council's granting two parking variances. The bank was short two off-street parking spots and 12 "stacking spaces" where vehicles line up for drive-through service.

Variances passed the council 5-2. Support came from Mayor Robert Novitke, and council members Joseph Dansbury, Allen Dickinson, Steiner and Thomas Fahrner. Patty Chylinski and Vicky Granger voted no.

The council approved the variances because the bank faced a "practical difficulty" in developing the site. Officials ruled that two underground sewer lines bisecting the property prevent the building from being reconfigured, which may have eliminated the exit onto Allard.

"Other properties along Mack do not have similar encumbrances," Tutag said.

Novitke said, "The only thing we could have done is denied it and said there is no practical difficulty. That would have meant we did not take into account the information provided to us."

Granger didn't explain her opposition but Chylinski did.

Parry and thrust

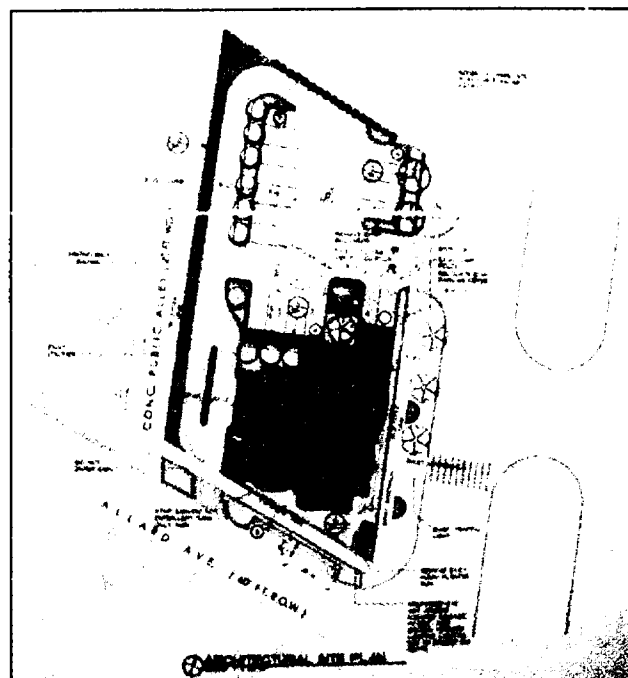
Chylinski said the role of John Vitale, the bank's architect and member of the Woods planning commission, appeared to be a conflict of interest.

Commission minutes show Vitale abstained from voting on the site plan. But he remained in chambers while fellow commissioners discussed the project.

"There is no conflict of interest," said Don Berschback, city attorney. "It's fairly routine; in fact it has happened on several occasions, where a person has to abstain but is allowed to stay for discussion."

Chylinski said the project flew through the approval process without adequate public notification. But in June, she voted with colleagues to end what City Administrator Ted Bidigare said was a potentially litigious cap on, among other things, the number of banks allowed to set up shop in the Woods.

"I did support eliminating the number of banks on Mack for this project specifically," Chylinski said during the Flagstar portion of last week's council meeting. "I



Allard Road residents opposed to the approved site plan for the Flagstar Bank at Mack object to the branch's drive-through exit on Allard. They fear it will be a hazard for motorists and school children.

supported that because it was the right thing for bringing business in."

Peggy Youngblood, a Flagstar officer, said, "We're not asking to do something that isn't allowed."

Prior to the city council session, residents living within a 300-foot radius of the branch site were notified that parking variances would be discussed during a public hearing of the council.

Critics asked why there wasn't similar notification of Flagstar's appearance on the planning commission's August agenda.

"It was a permitted use in the commercial district," explained Bidigare. "No public hearing was required. The reason it was before the council were the variance requests."

"The site plan has already been approved," Berschback said. "This council simply has the consideration for the two variance requests."

Chylinski supported residents who asked the bank to shield the all-night ATM with a fence six feet tall.

"A six-foot wall would pro-

hibit visual observation of that 24-hour ATM," disagreed Mike Makowski, director of public safety. "It is a crime-prevention issue."

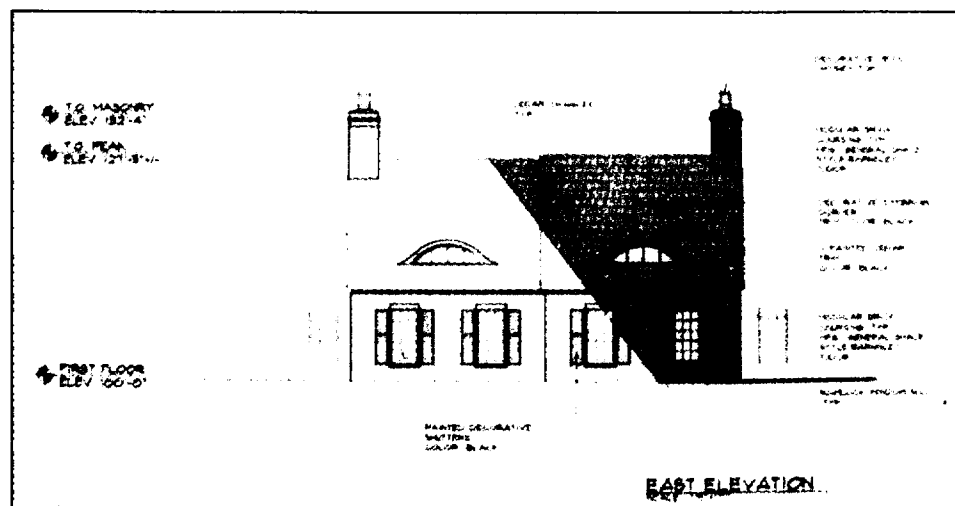
Late last week, bank representatives agreed to compromise with a four-foot wall.

Dickinson saw irony in the conflict.

He said, "When we had the discussion for a restaurant where Republic Bank in now going to reside (in the former Harmony House building at Mack and Stanhope), we had almost exactly the same complaints we've heard today about a bank going in on this site."

Mike Slavik predicted a rise in Allard's on-street parking problem.

"When I had seven cars I did pay numerous fines for having my cars parked in the street between 3 and 6 (a.m.)," he said. "Other times I had to park four, five, six houses away from my home because of things going on at Starbucks (Coffee) or businesses around the area."



Above is the Mack Avenue elevation of the new Flagstar Bank branch that raised the ire of Allard Road residents in Grosse Pointe Woods at a public hearing last week. The architecture includes a colonial facade with eyelid dormers.

Below is the view Allard Road residents near the Mack Avenue alley will see when the building is completed. They fear headlights of drive-through customers will shine into their homes.

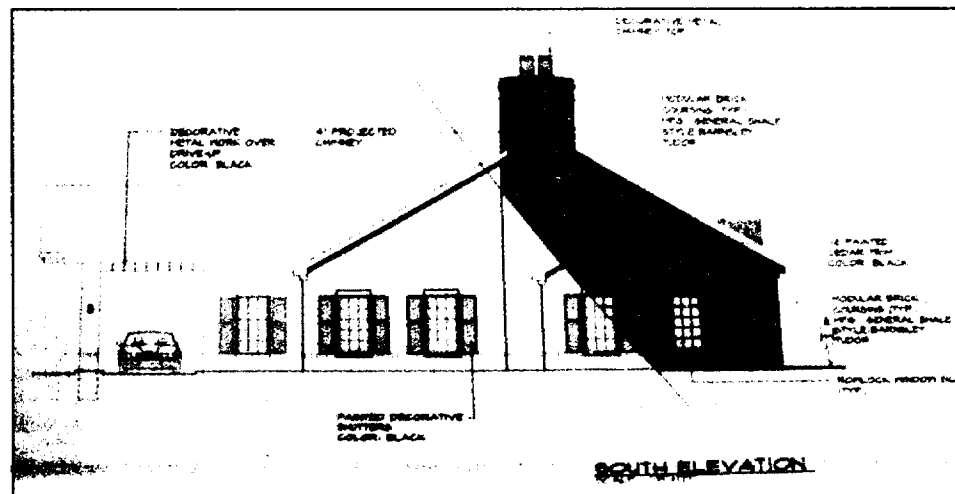


Photo by Brad Lindberg

The future Flagstar Bank site as it appears today. Though objecting to details of the site plan, residents agree a bank will be an improvement aesthetically.

Family Center teams up with Sunrise Rotary for fun and run

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

This Saturday, about 700 people are expected to convene at the Grosse Pointe Pier Park to run, walk, ride wheelchairs — or get a massage or take part in a potato sack race.

The Family Center will put on a morning of Family Fitness Fun in conjunction with the Sunrise Rotary's annual Grosse Pointe Run.

The Family Fitness Fun event includes a one-mile walk/stroll at 8:30 a.m. followed by two hours of activities beginning at 9 a.m. Activities include chair massage and foot reflexology sponsored by St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Kiddy Kalo sponsored by Assumption Cultural Center, yoga for children sponsored by Bikram Yoga, infant massage sponsored by Breckles Massage, snacks provided by

The Grosse Pointe Run events begin with a one-mile Fun Run at 8:30 a.m., followed by a 5K wheelchair race at 8:45 a.m., and a 5K run, 10K run and 10K walk beginning at 9 a.m.

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services, a moonwalk and field day games.

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Registration for both events begins at 7 a.m.

"We're excited about having them as part of the event," said Steve Basile,

Grosse Pointe Run race director and Sunrise Rotary member and past president. "They'll bring family-friendly events to draw in more of the community."

The Family Center is one of the beneficiaries of the Grosse Pointe Run. Other programs benefiting from the run include the Preteen Girls Institute, the Eagle Sports Club, and scholarships for local high-achieving, in-need students.

Admission to Family Fitness Fun is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 2 to 18. Those interested in participating in the Grosse Pointe Run should add an additional \$8 to the admission price.

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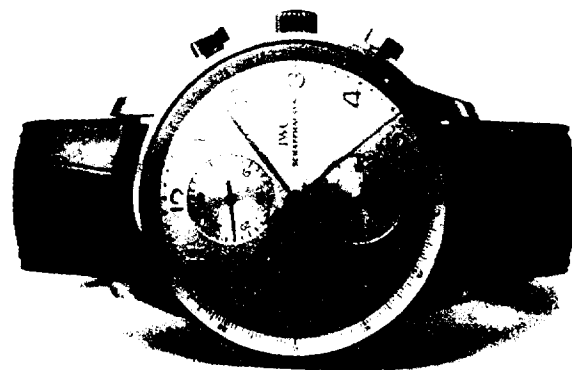
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Park resident helps victims of major disasters

By Christine Budal
Special Writer

If volunteers are worth their weight in gold, then Andrea Ward is priceless.

A media contact person and one of the few full-time employees of the Southeast Michigan chapter of the American Red Cross, Ward said she has dedicated her career to working in the nonprofit sector.

Ranging from this summer's blackout to local fires to 9/11, the American Red Cross provides resources to people in times of disasters, she said, along with many other preventative and safety-focused services. As a part of the Southeast chapter, Ward works within the Wayne, Macomb and Oakland Counties, gathering information and acting as a media liaison.

"My responsibilities at the Red Cross are to provide

external communications, marketing support and public relations at on-site local disasters," said Ward.

Typical on-site local disasters that Ward may respond to are an average of four house fires a day, she said, a majority of which happen in Detroit. While on-site, she gathers information that can be passed on to the media, such as what the needs of the victims are.

"You may not get that information from firefighters — they're out there to do work, and the volunteers are there to console the victims," she said. "Those who live outside the Grosse Pointe area don't have all the resources that the people who tend to live in this community often have. They need food, clothing, shelter and long-term resources."

Working with the Red Cross since early 2001,

POINTER OF INTEREST

Ward said she has responded to numerous fires. While the Red Cross cannot respond to every fire, it tries to make it known when someone loses a life as a way to raise awareness.

"It serves as a constant reminder of why we do what we do to educate people so this doesn't happen to someone else," she said.

Despite dealing with constant tragedies, Ward said she tries not to let it get to her.

"I don't feel like I carry around a burden. It is a fact of life, and what keeps you going is you have the capability to help prevent a tragedy from happening," she said. "It is part of who I am. It is good, and it is bad

— but it is not my complete identity."

Outside of work, Ward said she likes to be active either rollerblading, sailing or running. She also likes to spend time with friends and family, including her older sister, Wendy, who also lives in the Park.

Originally a native of Chesaning, Ward said it was her sister who helped her realize all the Grosse Pointe area had to offer.

"It is amazing to go five minutes from home and see a movie or sit by the lake," she said. "Here you can easily slip away from your routine and have it feel like a vacation."

Although Ward said she wants to continue to live in

the Grosse Pointe area, she said she would like to travel more in the future and plans to remain in nonprofit because she loves to help people, and enjoys working with the volunteers.

"I think it is a very fulfilling part of the job to work with someone who is there on their own free will," she said. "I feel really strong about my career, and I feel privileged to work there because the ratio is one hired employee to every 100 volunteers."

While volunteers are an indispensable part of the Red Cross, money also plays a key role in funding much of the disaster relief, she said. After 9/11, the recession that followed, and the many other silent disasters that are dealt with on a daily basis, the Red Cross's Disaster Relief Fund is empty.

"These are really rough times — we are hurting pretty badly," Ward said. "Fires don't stop, and you never know when the next blackout will be."

Disasters, such as the approaching hurricane Isabel, are always around the corner.

While the nation works to prepare for the storm, which is expected to hit the East coast later in the week, the Red Cross will be waiting to help those who suffer from unexpected or unavoidable hardships caused by disasters like Isabel.

"Donations are urgently needed; the Red Cross relies on a reserve that they can tap into tomorrow," she said.

Keeping all the materials she needs in the trunk of her car, Ward said she is always ready should anything ever happen, be it tomorrow or today.

Park library construction project on sturdy ground

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

If books constitute capital, as Thomas Jefferson believed, then he and the likes of Charles Dickens would share great expectations of community enrichment as another chapter nears completion on construction of the newest library in Grosse Pointe.

Work is moving so fast that organizers of a groundbreaking ceremony next Monday could charge themselves late fees.

Ground broke weeks ago at the site on Lakepointe near Jefferson next to Grosse Pointe Park city hall.

Celebrants will gather next week amid construction shacks, heavy equipment

and a privy. Guests will walk over well-churned dirt under which steel-reinforced

concrete pilings 54-inches in diameter have been sunk on which a foundation will support a facility designed to meet the south end of town's reading and research needs into the next century.

Library officials bought the site from the Park in April of last year.

By November, Park officials — one of whom was so impressed with the library board's thorough proposal he referred to the group as "the varsity" — approved construction.

In April of this year, a demolition crew began clearing the site of an old car dealership. By mid-May, a

quick-moving construction schedule forecast completion in 18 months.

"They're on track," smiled Park city manager Dale Krajniak, who doesn't like projects to dwindle.

In June, a crew from Rohrscheib Sons Caissons, which sank underpinnings last winter for the Park's new year-round Lavins Activities Center at Windmill Pointe Park, did the same for the library. Workers used a three-story mobile drilling rig to bore 16 holes to be filled with caissons ranging from three to 15 feet deep.

Caissons will support the foundation over a large sewer tunnel leading to Detroit.

"These caissons will actually hold the building in position," said Mike Taylor, supervisor of S.G.

Construction Services, which is overseeing the project.

Before crews fashion above-ground portions of the 14,300-square-foot brick building, the focus remains below grade.

Workers this week continued framing what will become a massive concrete slab to support the library over the 9- by 14-foot Fox Creek Tunnel.

By anchoring the foundation on pilings, library architects chose the same technique in which caissons sunk to Manhattan bedrock make possible some of the world's most renowned skyscrapers.

Instead of bedrock, however, the new Park branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library will rest on a thick layer of clay.

"It's pretty hard ground," Taylor said.

The support slab, called a grade beam, will measure 5 1/2 feet wide by 3 1/2 feet tall by 42 feet long. The beam will consist of concrete enveloping steel rods one inch thick.

"You don't see this very often. This is big," said James Noland of R.L. Shekell construction company.

Al Mantel, a Shekell foreman, said the beam will weigh 72 tons.

Mantel and other members of the crew worked on the Lavins Center which opened Memorial Day at Windmill Pointe Park. They also helped build last year's addition to St. Ambrose Church one block from city hall.

The top of the library's grade beam will rest at ground level supported over the drain by caissons.

Almost all construction so far will disappear from view once the building's floor and walls get under way this fall.

"Everything we do gets buried," Noland said. "But we know it's there."

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Louise S. Warnke,
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Photos by Brad Lindberg
Above left, James Noland of S.L. Shekell construction, watches Ron Howard crawl inside the framework of what will become a 72-ton, steel-reinforced concrete slab to support a section of the new Grosse Pointe Park branch library over a large underground drainage tunnel. The building's foundation will be anchored on cement caissons built by employees of Rohrscheib Sons Caissons, including Aaron Croo, left.

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Too many closed sessions

Why must so much of our "public" business be conducted in private? We have asked that question before, but we still do not think some of our public officials and city attorneys get it.

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council continues to be the leader in closed sessions. During the past 20 council meetings in the Farms, 17 have included closed sessions. The reasons for the closures include litigation, personnel and public safety matters and real estate.

Not one reason cited "officially" for a closed session in the Farms is attorney-client privilege. Yet we know other matters, such as provisions of the city charter and proposals for the November ballot, have been discussed secretly. The reason given by council members: attorney-client privilege.

In the City of Grosse Pointe, of the last 14 monthly meetings, nine included closed sessions. Reasons for the secrecy included the same as those in the Farms, as well as labor negotiations. One closed session in the City cited attorney-client privilege.

In the Woods, which meets at least twice a month, there were a total of 10 closed sessions last year and seven so far in 2003. The reasons cited include the aforementioned. No session was closed in the Woods due to attorney-client privilege.

In all of 2003, the Grosse Pointe Park City Council has been able to conduct public business with only three closed sessions, none of which was due to attorney-client communi-

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cations.

Another public body, the Grosse Pointe Public School System's board of education, has been able to run the district legally with only four closed sessions during the past 12 months, and that even considering the complex student privacy laws. Attorney-client privilege was not cited as the reason for any of the school district's closed sessions.

Why do we bring this all up? We do so because we think public business should be conducted in public. Granted, not very much of the public shows up at meetings, but that is beside the point.

Do we think shenanigans are going on behind closed doors? No, but how are we to know? All our elected officials are conscientious, well-meaning people. But good intentions are not permissible reasons for closing meetings under Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

For everyone's benefit, we have printed below a layman's guide to closed meetings under the Open Meetings Act as provided by the Michigan State Legislature:

Closed meetings:

The law provides for closed meetings in a few specified circumstances. In order for a public body to hold a closed meeting, two-thirds of its members must vote affirmatively in a roll call. Also, the purpose for which the closed meeting is being called has to be stated in the meeting when the roll call is taken.

Closed meetings may be called with-

out a two-thirds vote for the following reasons:

(1) considering the dismissal, suspension or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual when the person requests a closed hearing;

(2) considering the dismissal, suspension or disciplining of a student of a public school when the student or guardian requests a closed hearing;

(3) strategy and negotiation sessions necessary in reaching a collective bargaining agreement when either party requests a closed hearing; and

(4) partisan caucuses of the State Legislature.

(5) for a compliance conference the department of commerce conducts under MCL §333.16231, concerning an investigation of certain licensed medical professionals.

(6) to conduct searches for a university president, until the board has narrowed the search to five candidates.

Other reasons a public body may hold a closed meeting are:

(1) to consider the purchase or lease of real property;

(2) to consult with its attorney about trial or settlement strategy in pending litigation, but only when an open meeting would have detrimental financial effect on the public body's position;

(3) to review the contents of an application for employment or appointment to a public office when the candidate requests the application

to remain confidential. However, all interviews by a public body for employment or appointment to a public office have to be conducted in an open meeting; and

(4) to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

Interestingly, we do not see "attorney-client privilege" listed as a permissible reason for calling a closed session. In fact, nonlegal communications with an attorney — such as discussions of the city charter and ballot proposals — are specifically not cause for closed sessions.

In Booth Newspapers v Wyoming, the Michigan Court of Appeals ruled that a "public body may not hold closed sessions with attorney under the attorney-client privilege if the discussion is of nonlegal matters."

Also under the Open Meetings Act, the "burden of establishing that a meeting of a public body is exempt from the Open Meetings Act is on the public body" — Detroit News v Detroit. We do not believe blanket statements, such as real estate or attorney-client privilege, meet the burden of proof.

There are exceptions to the Open Meetings Act where specific public business must be done in secret, but the exceptions under the act do not mean those instances must be conducted in closed session.

The exceptions to the Open Meetings Act are purposely few and are meant to limit the number of closed sessions. The Michigan Court of Appeals in Wexford County Prosecuting Attorney v Pranger said that "closed session exceptions of the Open Meetings Act are to be construed strictly to limit the situations that are not open to the public" (emphasis ours).

Enough said. We hope this will help our public officials and city attorneys to understand that public business is meant to be public.

Robert G. Edgar
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Letters

Disrespected

To the Editor:

I returned home from a Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting Sept. 8 disgusted by the whole experience.

After a mind-numbing one and one-half hours dissecting business signs (colors, sizes, fonts, wording and hinges), we got to my subject of concern: the Flagstar Bank at Mack and Allard. We were there to request a denial of their parking variance request.

Neighbor after neighbor stood up to share their heartfelt concerns about parking and the design of the building. Our requests to make the building work better with the neighborhood were simple.

Flagstar proposed a 2-foot, 10-inch wall; residents requested a 6-foot wall. We requested the location of the entrance and exit be reviewed due to it being within feet of an extremely busy school crossing at Mack and Cook Road.

We requested the ATM be moved so that headlights would not shine in windows across the street. We also requested they work with us to find parking solutions so that a very busy Allard Road would not become more hazardous.

These neighbors were so willing to work with the bank to make this building a success. After listening to each resident speak, city council (except for Councilwomen Patti Chylinski and Vicki Granger) disregarded and disrespected each resident and voted to allow the variance.

The construction of this building now goes forward with these design defects intact.

City council acted shamefully. They did not listen to

the neighbors who know this area best. They showed more emotion over font size than they did with the Flagstar/Allard issue.

Karen Kaled
Grosse Pointe Woods

Community not notified

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter out of great concern for our community. Last week I attended a Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting where one of the issues slated was a parking variance for the new Flagstar Bank that is going in on the corner of Mack and Allard.

My concern and the concern of many neighbors is this: These plans for Flagstar Bank have been in the works since February, and no one in the neighborhood was notified. The only reason many of us were in attendance was because of the parking variance.

The plans include two drive-through windows and an ATM machine that all empty out onto Allard directly across from the Starbucks parking lot that also empties out onto Allard.

Allard is already under constant scrutiny because of traffic issues, such as speed, congestion and the disobeying of traffic signs. The problems created by this plan are going to be tremendous. There are numerous other banks on Mack that use a horseshoe pattern of traffic with great success and do not have to disrupt the side streets at all.

There are several other flaws in the plan, such as no privacy wall or fence next to the alley, leaving residents completely exposed to bank traffic and possible danger should there be problems at the bank.

But the most disconcert-

ing is the lack of community shown by Flagstar Bank and by all but two of the members of city council.

Last week when it came time for discussion by those opposed to the variance being passed, the neighborhood opposition went on for close to an hour.

People cited their disappointment in Flagstar Bank and in the city for not being notified of these plans. People were concerned for their privacy and property value. People were concerned for the safety of their children who will be crossing the already congested and dangerous crosswalk at Mack and Cook.

When a member of council voiced her opposition of the plan and the way the plans came about, she asked the representative from Flagstar if he would be willing to table this issue until a later date to give time to meet with the community to address the issues.

The answer was "no" and that it would take too much time and delay their plans. Is this the kind of neighbor we want moving into our neighborhood? I don't think so.

Flagstar Bank needs to rethink its plans and hear the concerns of its neighbors and the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council needs to review its policies for letting community members have a voice in what happens in their community. The council is supposed to be there to represent the people, and last week they did anything but.

Amy Hicks
Grosse Pointe Woods

Six weeks not enough time

To the Editor:

The site of the BP gas station has been bought by Flagstar Bank. So another bank will join Standard Federal (Mack at Cook) and Republic Bank (replacing Harmony House at Mack

and Stanhope). That will be three banks in a one-block area.

The (city officials) have approved the site building plan for the bank in six weeks. That is amazing! (Is the new Woods library built yet? Of course not. It's only been three years.)

Because the above property is zoned commercial, it is not "required" to notify the community or the residents surrounding the property that a building is being built or how it will look or affect the neighborhood.

The only "required" reason to notify anyone who lives near the property and would be in any way affected was needed variances for parking and (drive-through) stackup.

The residents got to see the building plans for the first time at the council meeting Monday night, Sept. 8. We quickly realized that parking wasn't the only problem. The proposed plan is an accident waiting to happen.

The site plan has cars entering the bank from Mack just before the crosswalk and exiting on Allard next to the alley. There will be a posted "Left Turn Only" sign to direct exiting cars to Mack.

This corner is a major crossing for our children going to and from Montith Elementary School. Personally, we are concerned that this dangerous and congested setup is being allowed and approved by our city council. (Council members Chylinski and Granger were the only two to vote "no.")

Six weeks obviously wasn't enough time to work through all the issues concerning safety and the impact this plan would have on the surrounding residential neighborhood.

There are other issues of concern to residents living adjacent to the site, but safety, congestion and parking are enough to rethink this plan.

When resident after resident cited these issues, Flagstar was asked if it would be willing to table the issue of parking to meet and plan with the neighboring residents to work out issues of concern as Starbucks did before they joined our neighborhood. Flagstar refused.

Council voted on and passed the variances and the residents were left to watch and wait.

Who you know seems to be more important and vital in getting a building plan passed than residential concerns or our children's safety. And it's more important than a larger library, too.

Does anyone else find it interesting that John Vitale is the architect for this building as well as a member of the planning commission?

Mike and Cindie
Slavik
Grosse Pointe Woods

Editor's note: The city attorney stated at the council meeting that there was no conflict of interest concerning the architect.

Proactive

To the Editor:

This letter is in reference to the Grosse Pointe Woods Council Meeting on Sept. 8 and the variances requested by three Mack Avenue merchants to allow them to use the sandwich-board signs. These signs were recently outlawed by the new sign ordinance.

I understand that all of the merchants made logical cases for their variances, with an exceptional case being made by Alison Haus, the owner of Madi Lu & Ethan Too Clothing and a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

In addition, residents at the meeting voiced their displeasure with the ordinance and their support for the variances.

The bottom line is that, despite selected council member objections, the vari-

ances were granted, effectively changing the new sign ordinance to allow these signs in the future.

This reality check by the council as to what is really best for the residents is a great start toward trying to salvage Mack Avenue as a viable business district.

As a resident and business owner on Mack Avenue for over 30 years, I sincerely hope that our city council will take this opportunity, and the message they received and responded to at this meeting, as a chance to be proactive rather than reactive in the future in eliminating many of the obstacles they have placed in the way of merchants trying to restore Mack Avenue's vitality as a business community.

Ahmed V. Ismail
Speedi Photo
Grosse Pointe Woods

Replace brittle, aged schools

To the Editor:

The city of Harper Woods is once again given the privilege to vote on the bond for our new schools. I attended the Town Hall meeting on Aug. 27, and I could not believe the reasons people had to NOT approve the bond.

From what I heard, there seems to be two large concerns: spending the money to build new schools or renovating the existing schools.

Let me put it this way: through the years our bodies age. We get wrinkles; our bones may become sore and brittle. Parts of our body bulge or sag. We now have the technology to fix these issues we see as unsightly. There are now drugs we can take and/or inject to fix these issues that we see as unsightly. But the bottom line is our body will continue to age and eventually we die. We may die more beautifully, but we die!

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Sports, anyone?

It must be absolutely exhausting to be a guy. To be able to digest such an enormous amount of random sports information and then regurgitate it at will must take quite a bit of effort.

I'm not making fun, nor am I impressed. It's just something I've noticed over the years — something I may never comprehend.

I want to make it clear that my statement is not meant to be sexist. I myself am a sports fan. I played softball and basketball when I was younger, and it is widely known that I am a bit of a hockey fan.

I know the basics and rules of many sports. I know random, useless facts about the Red Wings. I can even hold my own in a conversation about hockey ... but probably only for a few min-

utes before I get shot down with an incredible amount of statistics by any guy within ear shot. (Seriously, nobody should retain that much information all at once.)

That stuff doesn't really matter that much to me. I can still be a hockey fan without knowing what plus or minus ratings are and who has won the Norris Trophy every year since who-knows-when. I don't study and memorize these facts the way most guys seem to do. Are they aware that there won't be a test?

Not only do guys seem to know everything about hockey, but also basketball, football, baseball, golf, tennis, soccer, skiing, car racing, sailing, bowling and even curling. And they know everything about every player and every coach on every team in every different league of every sport. Referees too.

Learning it all seems to be so time-consuming — it's hard enough for me to follow



I Say

Jennie Miller

one team. The million dollar question remains: How do guys do it? After careful observation, I have come to realize that they don't do much else.

Guys watch every game of every sport and then the recaps at the end. In addition, they watch Sports Center three, maybe four times a day — even the same episode over and over, just to make sure they got the facts right.

Then it comes time to gather around with other guys and repeat everything that has just been digested, just to see who remembers what. They argue about why

someone dropped a football when the guy could have easily caught it, and they create conspiracy theories based on someone paying off the referee or the Mafia threatening a player.

And we're not just talking about current sports information either.

Somewhere, somewhere guys have learned the entire history of the sporting world, and they keep this information stored in the back of their heads until, one day, it becomes useful. Some guys know the exact score of a random basketball game that was played years before they were born. My

Dad can remember every detail of a particular hole on a golf course that he played 20 years ago, just in case he needs to recall exactly where the sand traps are.

It just baffles me the amount of time that is spent focused on these mundane details. Don't even get me started on Playstation 2 and the endless time spent playing Madden and shouting at the controller.

The catalyst in my observation of the mind of the male sports-enthusiast was this phenomenon known as Fantasy Football. Since there isn't enough football on television for these guys to watch, it became necessary to create an imaginary league on the Internet.

A few weeks ago was the very important "draft." My male friends gathered at their respective computers, taking turns choosing actual NFL players to be on their fantasy teams. The evening was very tense, as the guys argued and threatened each

other via on-line message boards every time someone made a selection. Now that the football season has begun, each guy gets points based on how his team members are performing on the actual NFL teams.

I'm pretty sure that's how it works. I could only conclude this much through eavesdropping, since I am not one of the privileged team-owners in the Fantasy Football League.

This behavior is mind-boggling. There is no way to get to the bottom of it. Guys thrive when it comes to action and competition, and although to some extent, I do as well, I do not live and breathe for it.

The male mind has great capacity to hold this kind of information. And that's fine. Good for them. They can do it their way; I'll do it mine. But if I want to have any inkling of what they're talking about, I had better go catch the next Sports Center — and take thorough notes.

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The Op-Ed Page



"I'M UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT OLE' JOE DOESN'T LIKE SURPRISE BIRTHDAYS."

Visit the Grosse Pointe Dogs website: <http://gpdogs.keenspace.com>

fyi

by Ben Burns



Biker mom

Becky Miller, mother of three, rides a Fat Boy. Her husband, Greg, an investment counselor, rides an Ultra Classic. These are Harley-Davidson motorcycles. "When my husband brought home a motorcycle, I thought he was having a mid-life crisis." That model Harley was a Sportster.

"Now we take the kids everywhere," Becky said. "Our kids saw 27 states on one trip. Our son (Greg Jr.) rode 6,000 miles on the

back of a bike. We started in Washington, D.C. and went west to Wyoming and Montana and then toured the South." Becky's parents drove along on the trip with a "chase vehicle" to carry tired children and assorted luggage.

The Millers also joined 500,000 other Harley fans this summer in Milwaukee to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the motorcycle. "It was a lot of fun," Becky said. "We met Harley owners from New Zealand, Spain, Scotland and Russia."

So when the Farms couple agreed to chair the raffle for the 125th anniversary of University Liggett School's founding on Oct. 3-4, rather than just get the usual Ford, Volvo or Lincoln Aviator to auction off to raise money for the private Cook Road school, they suggested a 100th anniversary Harley. The \$18,000 vehicle comes in black and silver with a special emblem.

Becky has been riding now for five years, Greg for

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

Who is your favorite hero in history and why?



Steve Brandt

Walter Payton of the Chicago Bears. He was the all time rushing yards leader. He was undersized, but he had a heart of a giant.

Steve Brandt, Grosse Pointe City



Dennis Coles

Colin Powell. He is very diverse, well spoken and for humanity.

Perry Hileman, Grosse Pointe Park



Kathleen Miglia

Leonardo DaVinci. He never stopped trying to create something new and different.

Dennis Coles, Grosse Pointe Farms

Hiroshi Hasegawa. He is a world famous ornithologist. He brought the short-tailed albatross back from the brink of extinction.

Anca Vlasopolos, Grosse Pointe City



Perry Hileman



Anca Vlasopolos



Samantha Walasek

Charles Darwin because his ideas were revolutionary.

Kathleen Miglia, Grosse Pointe City

Eleanor Roosevelt because of her verbal abilities. She was able to speak up for what she believed in.

Samantha Walasek, Grosse Pointe Park

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

Points about the Pointes

The words 'Direct Mayoral Election' ...what do they mean to you?

The Grosse News has been doing a great job of covering the political turmoil surrounding whether or not the residents of Grosse Pointe Farms will be able to select their own mayor without the City Council controlling the process.

In November, Farms residents will vote on two choices as to how the mayor should be selected. One choice was originally labeled 'Direct Mayoral Election'. It has been renamed the 'City Council Mayoral Election Proposal'. The other choice is the 'Joseph Amendment'.

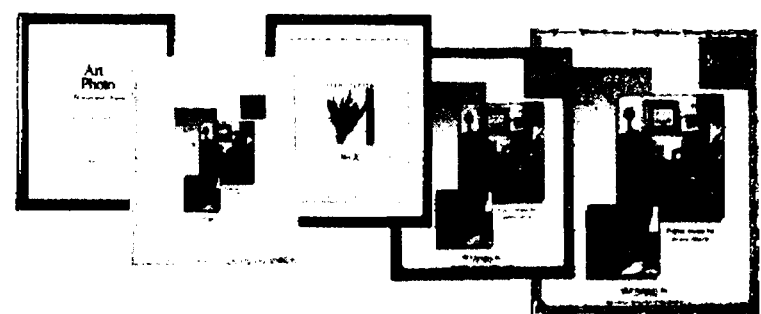
The originally entitled 'Direct Mayoral Election' option reminds me of when I booked a 'direct' flight going to Florida, only to find out at the airport that my flight had a stop in Atlanta on the way. In my naive mind, 'direct' meant 'non-stop'. I learned that 'direct' in airline lingo just

means that you don't have to change planes. Based on the misleading names of these proposals, I sense that the GPF 'powers that be' are in the airline business!

Whether you call it 'Direct Mayoral Election' or the 'City Council Mayoral Election Proposal', unless you are on the Council, you will never be mayor. The proposal also allows Council members to run for BOTH Council and Mayor at the same time! Imagine if this was the system in Washington or Lansing???

The Joseph Amendment is the only way to go, with residents voting DIRECTLY for mayor. Whoever wins, wins, without the City Council controlling or meddling in the outcome!!

...Ahmed Ismail (ahmed.ismail@comcast.net)



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Letters —

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By renovating or fixing the unsightly, we are prolonging the inevitable. These buildings are old; their bones are sore and brittle. They will continue to wrinkle, sag and bulge. There is nothing that anyone can do about this. Growing old happens whether we like it or not. We have no control over it. Blaming the superintendent, board of education, past or present, or the maintenance staff for something nature is responsible for is wrong.

If light bulbs are not being changed timely or screws are not being screwed in timely, yes, shame on them. But are these real reasons to not build new schools or just excuses? Prolonging the construction of new buildings will only cost us more money two, five or 10 years

from now.

Interest rates are the lowest they have been in 20 years, and no one can predict what the economy will be in the future.

We are totally losing sight of what's really important here. It's our children! They will be the ones suffering in the future for our selfishness now!

**Vicki Mascarin
Harper Woods**

Too expensive

To the Editor:

I read with interest Robert Wagner's comments in the Sept. 4 edition of the Grosse Pointe News. Interest because I was at the Town Hall meeting called by my school system to answer questions from the people. It was such a travesty that most people present left saying, "Vote No." Our questions were not answered. One person got the floor by using her maiden name. So no one knew they should kill

that question. Those who made it to the floor were hooted by the school's millage committee, and 90 percent of the questions were from the millage committee members who cheered themselves loudly.

To add insult to injury, Mr. Danosky had a crew filming the proceedings... which he stated would be edited and presented as an infomercial for the bond issue on cable TV. The meeting was not a Town Hall.

I read the report by the architects of the new school with their inflated prices of repairs. After all, they have the most to gain by presenting the repairs as costly.

Yet the biggest repair is caulking and tuck pointing. These are skills the average homeowner has in abundance. Let's teach the students how to caulk and tuck point, and even if you pay them minimum wages to do the work, the school will come out ahead. And the students will learn a skill

they will use over and over in life.

The graduating class from Harper High was under 70 students. My grandson was a graduate. Forty two million dollars is too excessive for classes of this size and for a small community.

Unemployment is at an all-time high. Many residents are on fixed incomes. Taxes are going up, and assessments just did go up. There is a limit on how much a homeowner can bear.

In the future, if our student rate grows, let's make an offer to Regina High School, Notre Dame High School and Lutheran East High School. Enrollment in those schools is dropping. Let's purchase one of those as they relocate to where the students now live. They took care of their buildings. We did not.

Remember too our community has a high school swimming pool. Soil samples for the new location

were taken AFTER the last bond millage election. No one will give the answer as to whether or not a pool is feasible in a new location. Many of our areas are swampy, and a pool cannot

be built. The private schools in our community do not have basements. Doesn't that tell us something?

**Joan Mannino
Harper Woods**



Future University Liggett School alumni and children of ULS alums Spencer Lukas and Mary Moroun are seated on a Harley-Davidson Anniversary Fat-Boy, which is second prize for the University Liggett School Grand Raffle. First prize is a 2004 Lincoln Aviator.

FYI

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30. All three children are ULS students — Gregory Jr., sixth grade; Mary Margaret, second grade; and Gabrielle, preschool. Gabrielle doesn't ride yet. Her feet don't reach the foot rests.

Cycling is like any other sport, according to Becky. It requires balance and training just as you would provide before putting your child on skis and pointing him or her down a mountain.

There are two Harley clubs on the east side, the Great Lakes Southeast Michigan chapter and the Wolverine Michigan chapter, Becky said. Each has 1,000 members including doctors, lawyers, accountants and yes, an investment counselor.

And the next time you see a group of Harley motorcyclists tooling down the highway, remember that they each pay a fee to ride and that money goes to charities. The Harley riders raised \$7.2 million for Muscular Dystrophy research with those rides, Becky said.

Tim Daniel, assistant head of the school for development, said 2,000 tickets would be sold at \$100 each. You can call the school at (313) 884-4444 or you can log on to the University Liggett School Web site at www.ULS.org.

My mother, **Williamina Aucterlonie Burns**, a Dundee, Scotland native, toured that country on the back of a motorcycle in the 1920s. My wife, **Beverly**, owned a motorcycle before I met her. (I think she sold it shortly after her mother, **Betty Hall**, crashed it on her first ride.)

But the thought of that black and chrome beauty and the spirit of the open road makes me want to run out and buy a ticket and a helmet. Vrrrooom. Vrrrooom.

Water blessing

A Mason jar with about a cup and a half of water from the South pool traveled Sunday to Hastings, a community of 7,000 about half way between Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids that bills itself as "one of the 100 best small towns in America."

The water was collected by Park resident **Gloria Aita** and passed to her brother **Kurt Schmitt**, who flew his small plane in from California to act as the water bearer.

The occasion was the dedication of the new natatorium in Hastings, which is building a sports complex for community residents. Natatorium is a fancy word for swimming pool, and the South water — officially approved by the school administration — was poured in as part of the ceremony as residents dedicated their new sports complex and pool to a surprised **Carl Schoessel**, recently retired Hastings area school superintendent, and his wife, **Loretta**.

The couple was instrumental in helping raise the money for the pool. It couldn't have been done without the couple working together, according to Sunday speakers at the ceremony that drew upwards of 1,000 people.

The reason for Schmidt's involvement was that Schoessel was his swim coach at South back in 1968 when the team won the state championship and set a state record in the freestyle relay. Schoessel was named coach of the year in Michigan along with a St. Joseph coach. The freestyle team was named to the second team All-State, seven members of the swim team were named to the first team of the old Border Cities League, two to the second team and four got honorable mention recognition.

Schoessel told the Tower staff reporter that the team set "higher goals" and worked as a unit rather than just as individuals. "They all had the desire to win," he said.

Other members of that South team, who gathered to honor their old coach include **John Fountain**, now living in Oswego, N.Y.; **Jim Mabley**, from Ann Arbor; and **Jon Watts**, **Jeff Kirk**, **Dave Brunewald** and **Chris Luncander**.

Schoessel was barely out of college when he joined South as a biology teacher and assistant swim coach under **Bob Kinnear**, "who was one of the best motivators I have ever known," Schmidt, who went on to swim at the University of Colorado, said.

Schoessel confessed years later that after he replaced Kinnear as head coach, he was "scared to death" all season long during the dual meets that he would make a bad decision as coach and foul things up with the really talented team that he inherited. But he didn't, and the team won all its dual meets and then the state title.

Some of those championship swimmers like Schmidt have kept in touch with Schoessel ever since, even though he left the Pointes a few years later to move to western Michigan and eventually run a school district that covers 180 square miles of hills, woods and scribbly roads and a population of 20,000 and that bills itself as "the only northern county in southern Michigan."

And just to show he hadn't lost his competitive edge, retired Superintendent Schoessel swam a challenge match against the president of the Hastings High Student Association and won by an arms length. He was presented a robe embroidered with "Rocky Schoessel."

"I think he had been practicing," Schmidt said. **Ben Burns** of the City of Grosse Pointe is a professor in the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by phone at (313) 882-2810.

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Money-makers

Grosse Pointe Woods patrolmen who were ordered to target two neighborhoods for parking violations investigated approximately 60 properties during the mid-night shift on Friday, Sept. 12. All police contacts could result in fines.

Officers were directed to the neighborhood of Hampton and Hollywood; and to Edmonton, Blairmoor and Aline roads.

Cut it out

A Grosse Pointe Woods ordinance officer will return to a house in the 600 block of Hollywood this week to see if overgrown grass has been cut. The officer was notified of a possible code violation on the afternoon of Thursday, Sept. 11.

Maxim missing

A Minolta Maxim 5 camera and Tammar green camera bag were reported stolen from the locker of a high school student in the 700 block of Vernier sometime between 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 10, and 7:30 a.m. the following day.

B&E nets

thieves nothing

Someone broke into a Grosse Pointe Woods restaurant last weekend but didn't steal anything.

A store employee reported the incident in the 19600 block of Mack on Sunday, Sept. 14, shortly after 9 a.m. Police found scratch marks on the front door lock and a cash register drawer that had been pried open. The employee said nothing appeared missing.

Bloody drunk

On Thursday, Sept. 11, at 1:20 a.m., Grosse Pointe Woods police arrested a 43-year-old St. Clair Shores man for drunken driving on northbound Mack. An officer saw the man weaving and stopped his green 2001 Chrysler two-door near the St. Clair Shores city limits. The man had a blood alcohol level of .19 percent. He

explained his bloody nose by saying a friend punched him at the bar.

Leaf blower whisked away

A St. Clair Shores man who was cutting grass in the 19600 block of Rembrandt in Grosse Pointe Woods saw an unknown thief steal his leaf blower on Monday, Sept. 8, shortly before 5 p.m.

The man said the leaf blower was an Echo backpack model worth \$300.

Tool taken

A man, parked near a restaurant in the 20700 block of Mack, said someone entered the storage compartment of his pickup truck sometime before noon on Monday, Sept. 9, and stole a \$350 DeWald cordless combined saw and drill, plus a Sony VHS video camera.

Noise problem

A Garden City man who was chipping wood in the 1900 block of Stanhope on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 9:45 a.m., was told by Grosse Pointe Woods police to comply with an ordinance banning such activity until noon. The man agreed.

Loud stereo

An 18-year-old man from Harrison Township generated a noise complaint on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 4:46 p.m., when testing his car stereo behind a store in the 20500 block of Mack.

The man told Grosse Pointe Woods police he would turn down the volume and resume work at his home.

Absent minded

A man living in the 600 block of Hawthorne in Grosse Pointe Woods drove from home with his black, tri-fold wallet left absent-mindedly on the roof of his car.

He remembered his oversight upon reaching the intersection of Morningside and Vernier, but the wallet and approximately \$130 it contained were gone.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Baby face

On Thursday, Sept. 11, at 7:43 p.m., concern faded when an unattended infant reportedly in the backseat of a car parked in front of an elementary school in the 700 block of Roslyn in Grosse Pointe Woods turned out to be a plastic doll in a car seat.

Lights out

Someone vandalized a resident's lamp post in the 900 block of Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods while the latest in a series of late-night parties was being hosted at a neighboring household.

Damage consisted of glass and an address plate broken sometime after 3 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 13.

The property owner told police of problems with a teenage female who moved away but retained access to her former home and "continues to show up with friends and party the night away."

— Brad Lindberg

Shattered window

A window of a Sterling Heights woman's 1994 Dodge Ram parked in front of a house in the 400 block of Lakeland in the City of Grosse Pointe was shattered sometime between 9:30 and 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9.

Electrical fire

A small electrical fire was put out in a house in the 200 block of Merriweather in Grosse Pointe Farms on Tuesday, Sept. 9.

The fire came from and was confined to an upstairs electrical outlet.

Short change artist cut short

City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers caught up with a 45-year-old Detroit man who attempted to short

change employees in four stores in the Village on Wednesday, Sept. 10.

A Village employee told officers the man tried but failed to exchange nine \$1 bills for a \$10 bill.

The man was charged by larceny by conversion and was picked up by Sterling Heights police for outstanding warrants.

Doughboys

A 44-year-old Detroit man and a 21-year-old Detroit man were arrested on Wednesday, Sept. 10, after attempting to steal five pallets of bread from the back of a store in the 18800 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Public safety officers saw the men loading the pallets into a blue 1983 Chevrolet pickup truck. The men claimed to have permission to take the bread; the store's loss prevention officer said otherwise.

Wallet stolen

A Grosse Pointe Park boy's wallet was taken from his backpack left in front of his locker at a Grosse Pointe Farms high school between 3 and 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 10.

The wallet contained \$40 cash, a driver's license and an ATM card.

2 arrested for resisting arrest

The safety of City of Grosse Pointe public safety officers was put at risk twice when suspects attempted to resist arrest in two separate incidents last week.

While being arrested for stealing two locks and a Dremmel attachment in a store in the 17100 block of Kercheval on Wednesday, Sept. 10, a 41-year-old Detroit man became combative and knocked over a candy display. The man continued to resist arrest after he was sprayed in the face with a chemical irritant. The man was arraigned

on a felony charge of resisting and obstructing arrest, his second offense for retail fraud and committing a fourth and habitual offense. He is currently being held in the Wayne County Jail for being unable to post a \$5,000/10 percent cash bond.

A 22-year-old Detroit man flagged down City officers on Cadieux to express his displeasure of not having his driver's license returned from a Grosse Pointe Park officer during a traffic stop on Friday, Sept. 12.

The officers told the man there was nothing they could do about the incident and warned the man four times to refrain from yelling and using obscene language. He refused. He had to be sprayed in the face with a chemical irritant when he locked his arms and kicked his legs while being handcuffed.

The man was arraigned and released on a \$200 bond.

Mother knows best

A bike theft in the 17100 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe was quickly resolved on Sunday, Sept. 14, when the mother of a 12-year-old Detroit boy called the City Department of Public Safety about 20 minutes after the bike was reported stolen to say the bike was at her house.

The 12-year-old boy provided information about his accomplices, a 10-year-old Detroit boy and an 11-year-old Detroit boy.

The bike was returned to its owners. Detectives are petitioning the Wayne County Juvenile Court to press charges against the boys.

Garage B&E

A garage in the 300 block of Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms was broken into sometime between 8:30

a.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, and 5 a.m. Monday, Sept. 15.

The unknown suspect took two cell phones, a purse and compact discs from two cars parked in the garage.

— Bonnie Caprara

Wallet stolen

On Sunday, Sept. 7, a woman was shopping at a store on the 19600 block of Harper. She put down her wallet on a cart with her cell phone. She stepped away for a moment, and when she returned, the wallet was gone. It contained a driver's license, a Visa card, a MasterCard, a fishing license and \$300.

Van vandalized

A man said that a van from an airline was parked in the rear of a business on the 19200 block of Kelly at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 8. When the man returned to the location at 9 a.m. the next day, he found that someone had broken the driver's side window and ransacked the passenger area of the van. The van was taken. Police were contacted at 9:20 a.m. the same day.

CD player taken

A woman's car was parked at a mall on the 18000 block of Vernier on Tuesday, Sept. 9. Someone broke in and stole a Sony CD player, worth about \$200, from the dash board. The right front door was damaged as well as the dash board. Nothing else was missing.

Bike theft.

On Friday, Sept. 12, a man was playing football at a school on Woodside and Beaconsfield when a man took his bike. The man fled the school and headed toward Detroit at Kelly and Moross. Police were contacted at 7:25 p.m. the same day.

— Carrie Cunningham



Woman wanted

City of Grosse Pointe detectives are looking for a woman believed to be involved in an attempted child abduction at a store in the 16800 block of Kercheval at 10 a.m. on Sept. 2.

A complaint stated that the woman picked up a 4-year-old girl and walked toward the back of the store.

The child's mother recognized the same woman from a previous incident two weeks earlier in the parking lot in the back of the same store. The woman offered to help load groceries into the mother's car and received permission to pick up and hug the child.

The woman is further described as 50 to 60 years old with a medium build, long and straight gray and brown hair and a wide mouth with bad teeth. She wore a pale, yellow baggy polo shirt and beige pants. She wore no makeup or glasses.

Anyone with information on these incidents or suspect should call the City's public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

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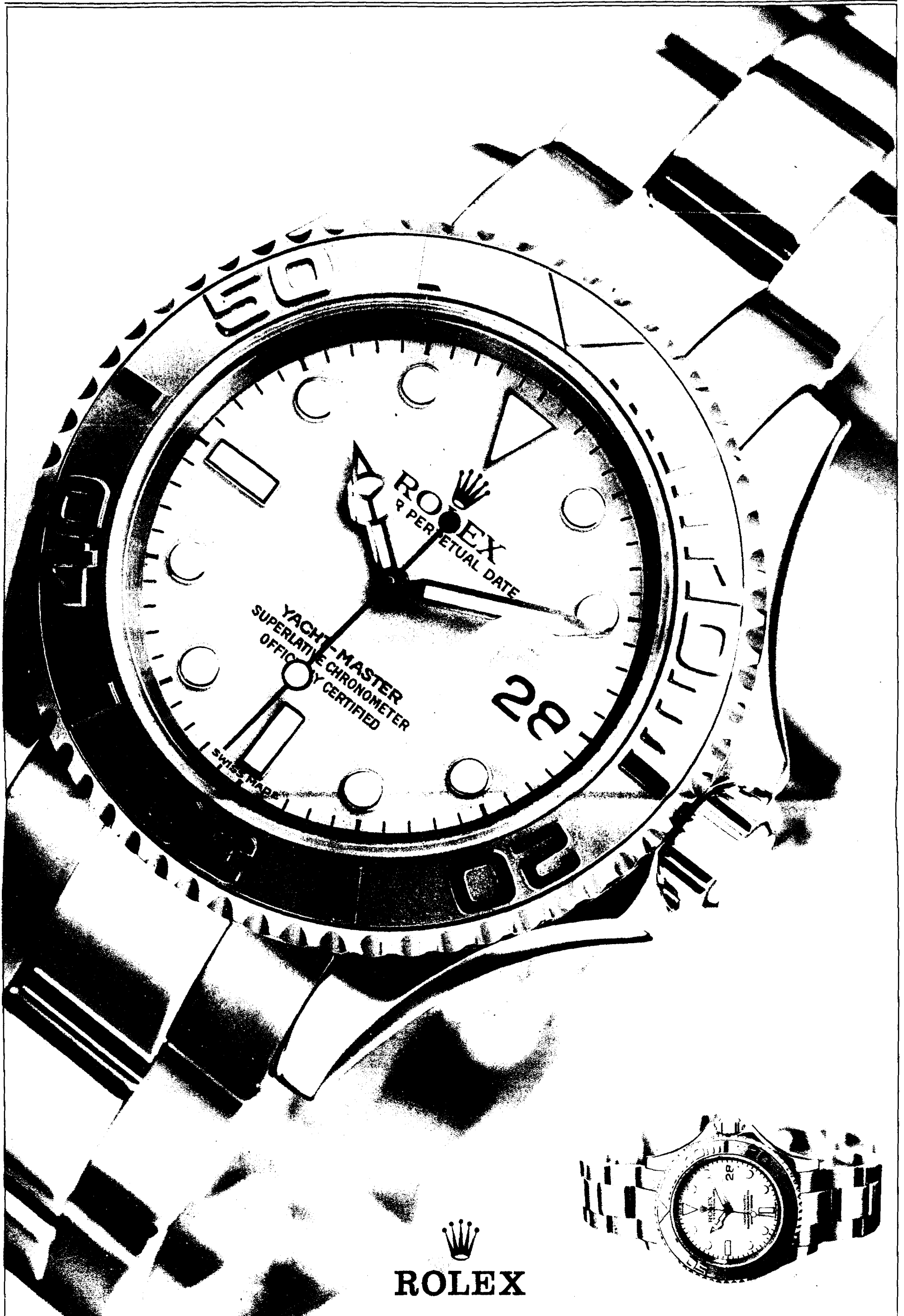
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Local experiment offers hope against emerald ash borer

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The latest dead ash tree in Grosse Pointe Park may give life to millions more specimens threatened by an invasive insect fanning out from southeast Michigan.

The fallen tree at Three Mile Park is the only specimen lost at the park in an ongoing experiment to fight emerald ash borers.

The tree was among six white ash that were identical except for one thing.

"I didn't treat it," said Brian Colter, Park city forester. "It was one of the control trees."

Colter left the tree untouched to measure its fate with others nearby in which he injected Merit, a brand name insecticide.

He applied the chemical

during early spring as part of an experiment crafted to save the city's ash population.

Ash-killing emerald ash borers are native to southeast Asia.

The winged bugs were identified last year in western Wayne County but have spread so fast a southeast Michigan quarantine on ash wood has been expanded to 13 counties.

The quarantine encompasses Genesee, Ingham, Jackson, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, Saint Clair, Shiawassee, Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

Borers have spread to northern Ohio and southwestern Ontario, Canada.

Late last summer, Colter was the first to confirm emerald ash borer infestations on the eastside. Since then, Colter has cut down 32 ash on city property compared to 20 American elms infected with Dutch elm disease.

Adult borers lay tiny eggs in bark crevasses. Larvae hatch, burrow beneath the bark and eat tunnels through the tree's outer layer of wood, called cambium. Cambium functions as the tree's vascular system by distributing water and nutrients from roots to leaves throughout the trunk and highest limbs.

Early findings from Colter's home-grown research at Three Mile Park indicate Merit might be a frontline preventive against the invasive borer.

"This (dead) tree sat in the middle of six ash trees that were treated with soil injections and are still healthy,"

Colter said last week while inspecting the small group of ash about midway along Three Mile Park's winding driveway. "It will be interesting next spring to see if these other trees succumb to the disease or survive."

He's certain emerald ash borers laid eggs on all ash trees within the stand, which encompasses only about 100 feet.

Such a distance wouldn't challenge a winged insect that researchers from Michigan State University discovered are strong fliers. As Canadian officials have found out, emerald ash borers easily crossed the Detroit River.

"We can be sure eggs were laid in crevasses of the bark," Colter said while patting the trunk of one of the treated, and apparently healthy, trees.

"Theoretically, insecticide injected in the root system has been sucked up through the vascular system and should kill the larvae."

For Merit and other systemic treatments to do their best work, they should be applied early in the annual growing cycle.

"The tree is moving water and nutrients up constantly during the growing season," Colter said. "Insecticide goes for a free ride throughout the vascular system."

He said time is running out to administer injections during this year's growing season.

"Experts say it's late to inject, but if you have an ash you absolutely want to save, it probably wouldn't hurt," he said.

He advised against late-season root injections.

"Opt for a trunk injection," he said.



Photos by Brad Lindberg
It's getting late in the season to inject ash trees with insecticide to fight the emerald ash borer. At left, Brian Colter, city forester in Grosse Pointe Park, shows where he will inject Merit chemical into the trunks of ash trees as part of a nearly last-ditch experiment at Three Mile Park. A wedge of trunk cut from an infected ash on Wayburn shows massive infestation of larvae that tunnel through the tree's outer layer of wood.

Sidewalk sale has open house

The Mack Avenue Sidewalk Sale runs today through Saturday, Sept. 20. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

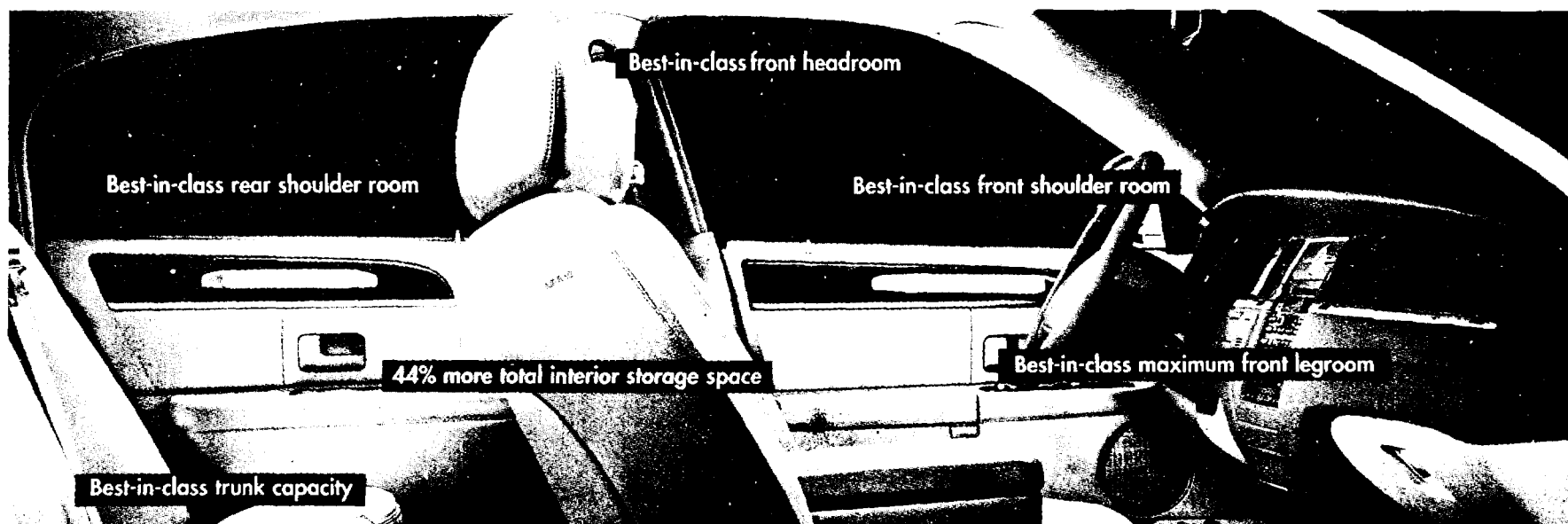
In addition to great bargains, the sale this year includes an open house on Friday, Sept. 19, involving many professional offices on Mack.

The open house lets the public and professional community mingle and get to know each other while promoting good will.

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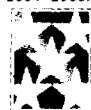
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Pierce recognizes local heroes in honor of 9/11

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

"There are no words to describe how grateful we are. You sacrifice your time, even lives, in conditions sub-par."

These words came from the heart of Maria Tecos, an eighth-grade student at Pierce Middle School. Tecos was one of hundreds of students who paid tribute to local public safety officers on Friday, Sept. 12, in honor of the heroes of 9/11.

Pierce students raised \$1,000 to donate to MiCops, a state-wide organization which supports families who have lost a loved one while serving on-duty in the field of public safety.

The school also designed a 10-foot American flag which was presented by members of the student council to Grosse Pointe Park police chief Dave Hiller and public safety officer Tom Lazarski. The flag contained the signatures of every student along with messages of thanks.

"I'd like to thank you today and forevermore, for if I had a problem, you'd come straight to my door," Tecos

said in a poem she read aloud during the assembly on Friday.

"9/11 was a day that showed us how great our public safety officers are," said eighth-grader Kaitlin Arnold.

Jack Hessburg, also an eighth-grade student at Pierce, presented the \$1,000 check to Hank Wouters, a representative from MiCops, who shared his appreciation with the school.

Wouters' son, Christopher, a member of the Warren Police Department, was among the many public safety officers who have been killed on-duty. He spoke of the importance of supporting these individuals and their families.

"Remember every day the people who are out there protecting us," he told the Pierce students. "Say a little prayer for their safety."

Hiller accepted the American flag with pride, anxious to display the gift in City Hall.

"That is a great flag," he said, smiling at some of the notes inscribed by students, such as "Cops rock!" and

"Cops are ridiculously cool!"

Hiller spoke on behalf of the many members of the Grosse Pointe Park public safety department.

"We do this job because we want to do this job," he said. "We want to help; we feel we can make a difference."

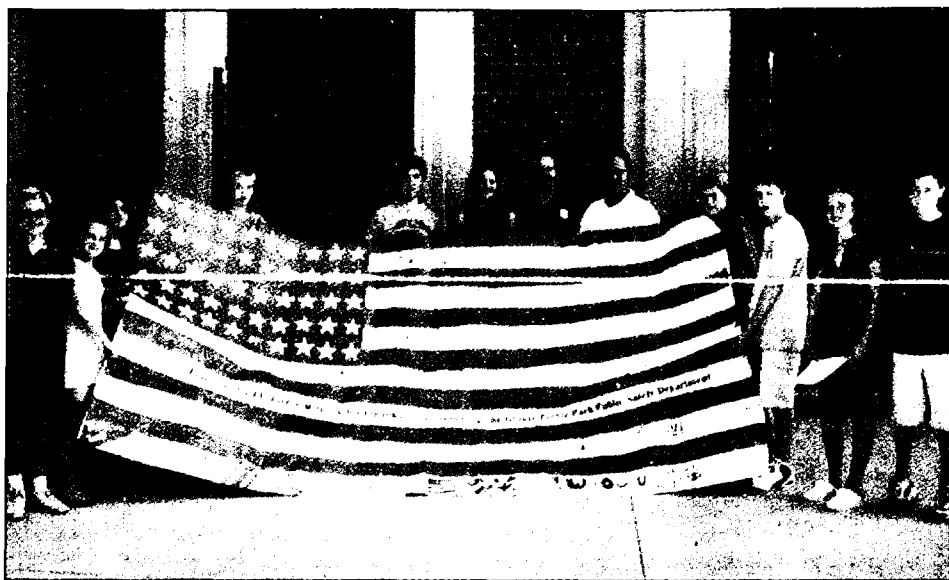
The assembly was a way for students to remember the tragedy of 9/11, honor its heroes and recognize those who dedicate every day to protecting others, according to principal Russell LeBlanc.

The money was raised throughout the week in a program called "Hats for Heroes." Students donated a dollar at minimum in order to wear a hat to school on Thursday, Sept. 11. Exactly \$1,000 was raised by the 638 students at Pierce.

"Everybody worked together; it was a wonderful job," said health instructor Sheila Moll of the fundraising and flag projects. Moll was instrumental in organizing the event.

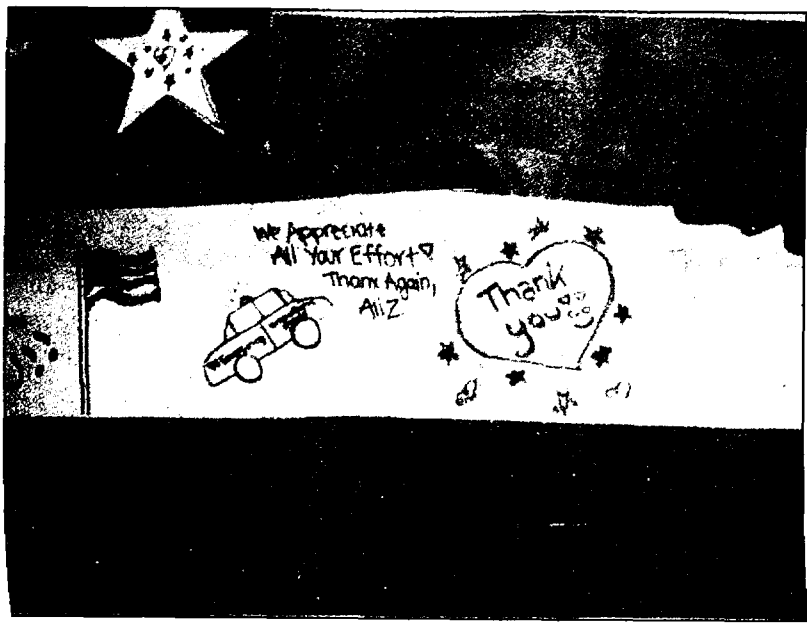
The idea came to Moll when students sent poems and letters to New York firefighters after 9/11.

"One firefighter sent a letter back to us, thanking the students and telling us to remember that the true heroes are the people on the front lines everyday," she said. "We wanted to honor our local heroes."



Photos by Jennie Miller

Pierce Middle School eighth-grade students Maria Tecos, Hannah Srebernak, Kaitlin Arnold, Jack Hessburg, Sammy Barbour, Lance Lucas, Tom Vander-Schaaf, Tom Remillet and Garrett Cox presented a check for \$1,000 to Hank Wouters of MiCops and an American flag to Grosse Pointe Park Chief of Police Dave Hiller and public safety officer Tom Lazarski. The American flag contained messages of thanks from every student at Pierce.



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Academy teachers fish for new classroom ideas

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Teachers at The Grosse Pointe Academy are so dedicated to their craft that they assigned themselves homework to do over the summer.

While the kids were off vacationing and forgetting their times tables, Academy teachers had their noses stuck in books.

Each read his or her very own copy of "The Passionate Teacher" by Robert L. Fried, a collection of ideas on being an enthusiastic teacher. In response, each teacher was asked to brainstorm for classroom ideas to share with other staff members once school commenced.

"This is the first time we've ever done anything like this," said Janice Sturm, Academy teacher and head of the school's faculty and staff professional development committee

which was established last year. "We're trying to find a way to unify the faculty and also have an opportunity to share with one another and identify things we want to work on as a group."

Phil Demartini, head of school, assigned the summer reading material.

"The book is basically about how to light up the lives of students, how to make it be the most wonderful experience that you can and at the same time just love what you are doing," Sturm said.

The more than 40 faculty members gathered together at the beginning of the school year to discuss the book and share newfound ideas for the classrooms.

"We put everybody's ideas into a fish bowl," Sturm said, adding that the faculty applied the theme of "fishing for new ideas" to the exer-

cise.

"For each idea, we explained how to implement it into the classroom," she said. "We encourage each other to steal ideas. It's important for teachers to do that. That way, everyone is getting the opportunity to use these new ideas they learned from reading 'The Passionate Teacher.' We want to keep everyone fresh with new ideas all the time."

Each idea is written on a piece of paper cut out to look like a fish. As each one is shared with the faculty, it is then placed on a bulletin board in the teacher's lounge, created to look like an aquarium. All year long, teachers can visit the board and continue sharing ideas.

"It's really so exciting," Sturm said of the project. "It was a great way to start the year. It was fun and a great learning tool for all of us."



Remembering 9/11

Teachers, students and parents gathered together for The Grosse Pointe Academy's observance of 9/11. After a moment of silence, the flag was raised and those assembled recited the Pledge of Allegiance and sang the Star Spangled Banner. Other reflections during the commemorative ceremony and celebration of freedom included a "Proclamation to Celebrate the American Character" by Head of School Phil Demartini, remarks by eighth-grader Emma Williamson, a closing prayer by Christian Life teacher Ellen Krease, and the singing of God Bless America.



Bible camp

St. Clare of Montefalco's annual Bible camp was a wonderful time for more than 100 children, teen volunteers and adult support staff. The school is currently accepting registration for religious instruction for children in preschool through the eighth grade. Contact Paula Miller, director of religious education, at (313) 647-5050 for more information.



Photo courtesy of Mary Anne Brush
Teachers Mary Jo Johnson, Marion Chrisner, Barbara Karle, Harriett Whitaker, Mary Vitollins and Lawrence DeLuca fish for new ideas at The Grosse Pointe Academy.

Phonic ears amplify teachers' voices at Maire

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Teachers at Maire Elementary School will no longer have to strain their voices to make sure every student can hear the lessons.

As a gift from the school's PTO, Phonic Ear Systems are now being used in every classroom, creating very happy teachers and stu-

dents.

"It's great for kindergarten because the kids are very social," said Sharon Gallacher, a kindergarten teacher who uses the phonic ear system during story time and group activities.

Seventeen phonic ear systems were purchased for nearly \$18,000, money raised during last year's Maire Faire, according to

Edward Chrumka, PTO president.

The decision to make the purchase was one that came easy to the PTO board.

"Every year, we try to raise money for a big ticket item," Chrumka said, adding that the board looks for things that will benefit the children by improving safety and the school environment or something that

will make educating easier for the teachers.

Several years ago, the fundraising theme was centered on getting the school air conditioned.

"This year we pushed hard for the phonic ear systems," he said. "We knew acoustics were bad in old schools, making it difficult to hear from the back of the room. These free-field sound systems are designed to provide a nice, even level of audio to the entire classroom."

Each teacher has a microphone which he or she wears as a sort of necklace. The mics are hooked up to four speakers positioned around the classroom, creating an educational environment with surround-sound.

"Wherever the students are in the classroom, they can all hear me equally," Gallacher said. "I don't even have to raise my voice — I can talk softly and still be heard. It's really nice."

In classrooms that are littered with the sounds of buzzing computers and

whirring fans, the phonic ear systems actually create a more efficient listening environment.

"It actually adds clarity to what the teacher is saying by filtering out other sounds," Chrumka said, adding that his son, a second-grader at Maire, has reported a vast improvement in the ability to hear his teacher during class.

Since the systems were first used at the start of the school year last month, the entire school is raving about the results.

"The teachers are so happy with them," said Kathleen Satut, Maire's principal, who was grateful for the generous gift.

"The PTO is really there to help support a sense of community and give the faculty and staff what they need to give the kids the best education possible," Chrumka said. "Every year there is an opportunity to make the school more efficient and make the classroom experience better. The focus is always on the kids."



Photo by Jennie Miller

Kindergarten teacher Sharon Gallacher reads aloud to her class using her new Phonic Ear System, a gift from Maire Elementary School's PTO.

College Night 2003

College Night 2003 will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 8 from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. at Grosse Pointe North High School. More than 150 colleges and universities will be represented.

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Five candidates vie for three seats on Harper Woods city council

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Voters will tap into their own views of how Harper Woods should be run when they go to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Mayor Ken Poynter is unchallenged for this election year. Three city council seats will be decided. The mix of candidates include incumbents Cheryl Costantino, Mike Monaghan and Hugh Marshall as well as newcomers Paula Lancaster and Patrick Boland. Each person comes with his or her own life and political experiences in addition to an array of view points.

Incumbent **Cheryl Costantino** has lived in Harper Woods for 10 years and has been on the council for eight years. She is currently doing course work at Wayne County Community College to prepare for getting a teacher's certificate. She has a master's degree in industrial relations and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Wayne State University. She teaches piano and is a substitute school teacher.

Costantino believes the council has worked productively together as a group, and she is proud of what has been accomplished such as the installation of Advance Life Support, obtaining grants for more police officers, and garnering money for asbestos removal and the sanitizing of the old J.C. Penny building at Eastland Center.

"It needed to be cleaned up," she said. "We've taken a pro-business stance."

Costantino sees the refurbishment of Kelly Road and a possibility of sharing a pool with Eastpointe as current projects that need to be solidified into reality.

Costantino thinks she has fit well into the cooperative spirit of the council, and she says she has been able to work seamlessly

among the different levels of government the city deals with.

"I'm part of a team that works very well together," she said. "Every single person on the council puts the people of Harper Woods first before his or her own agenda."

Incumbent **Mike Monaghan** has been on the council for eight years. He spent his youth up until second grade in Harper Woods and has spent the last 12 years in the community.

A 29-year employee of Standard Federal Bank, where he administers small business loan packages, Monaghan has a strong belief in fiscal responsibility.

"We need to run the city as a business. We have to be responsible to the tax payer," he said. "We can't spend more than we have. We have to be able to spend what we need."

Monaghan credits the council for helping to revive Eastland by creating an atmosphere in which companies like Home Depot, Sears and Lowe's want to open their doors.

He thinks the revamping of Kelly Road is additionally an important project.

Monaghan has been involved with Little League, football and the Dad's club.

Incumbent **Hugh Marshall** has been on the council for six years and has lived in Harper Woods for 11 years.

He feels the city council has been successful in many areas: it has drawn businesses, like Sears, Lowe's and Krogers; crime has gone down; and the city has a high recycling rate.

"Our vision was to keep a safe community for families," he said. "We have good parks and parks and recreation programs."

He thinks the cohesiveness of the council has

enabled the city to accomplish many things.

"We vote in unison all the time," he said. "We have a consistent and unified view of the city, and I want to keep that going."

Marshall is an attorney with his own practice. He concentrates on juvenile law, guardianships and criminal law. He has also lived in a range of countries across the world. He was born in Scotland, lived in Zambia and went to college at Mount St. Vincent's in Halifax, Nova Scotia where he received a bachelor's degree in public relations. He got a joint law degree from the University of Windsor and University of Detroit.

He wants to keep up the council's beneficial work.

"We deserve another chance," he said.

Newcomer **Paula Lancaster** grew up in Harper Woods, attended the community's schools and has lived as an adult in the city since 1998.

"I think that everyone as a citizen needs to devote time civically," she said regarding why she plans to run for a seat on the council. "I felt I wanted to do something for my community and this would be the way I would do it."

She currently works for an architect and is getting a master's degree in architecture from University of Detroit Mercy. She got an associate's degree in architectural drafting from Macomb Community College.

She feels concerned that some people view the city negatively, particularly related to crime.

"I don't know what to do but help each other. I think we should assist the police," she said.

One of the chief reasons she is running is to have the council be more open to the public. She thinks city council meetings should be televised and that the city

should have a Web site.

"We need to be more accessible to the people we serve," she said.

She thinks she has the qualities necessary to be an effective city council member.

"I think I am a realistic person. I'm down to earth, honest and straightforward," she said. "I want the best for the city. I want to see it become more lively and invite younger people. I'd love people to give me the opportunity."

Newcomer **Patrick Boland** is a librarian at Davenport University in Dearborn and also an attorney. He received a master's degree in library science from Wayne State University, a law degree from the Detroit College of Law and a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University.

"I live in the community and care very much for the community," he explained as his reasons for running. "I don't like some of the changes that I see occurring in the community."

He says he wants to help build the city.

The city council could be more aggressive in its dealings in his opinion.

"I don't see them being proactive. I think it's more stagnant," he said.

He wants to effect change and have a positive impact in the areas of zoning and ordinances.

"I would actively review the laws that you have to live under," he said.

If elected, he plans to be accessible to the public. He would have an e-mail address where residents could write him and have meeting hours where they could express their concerns.

"I'm well-spoken. I get along well with people in the community," he said. "I want all residents to meet me and have his or her voice recognized by the city council."



Four of the five people running for city council on Nov. 4 are above, clockwise from the top left: Cheryl Costantino, Mike Monaghan, Hugh Marshall and Paula Lancaster. The other candidate is Patrick Boland.

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Children receive safety patrol awards

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Three children have kept the streets safe.

Chelsee Hook at Harper Woods Middle School, Amber Hudson at Trinity Catholic High School and Amanda Lanzon of Poupard Elementary School received Safety Patrol Awards for their work in directing traffic and making sure all is calm during the frenzy of drop off and pick up periods at school.

"I do think it is great that these kids were so honored because they were so responsible," said Mayor Ken Poynter. "It's tremendous."

The children were given plaques and a certificate of appreciation signed by Sgt. Ralph Selvaggi and Police Chief Lawrence Semple. They also received a \$50 savings bond donated by Mr. C's Car Wash of Harper Woods.

Some of the standards Hook enforced was getting children to line up, staying quiet, keeping their bikes off school property and prohibiting swearing.

"I enforced the rules," said Hook. "I made everyone safe."

A lover of art class, Hook wants to be a veterinarian some day. She feels very proud of her accomplishment.

"I feel very good," she said.

Hudson aided people in getting to school, made sure cars went the right way and eased the flow of traffic.

"It just makes things better," she said of her efforts. "People don't get hurt."

A math aficionado, Hudson wants to be either a teacher or a pediatrician when she becomes an adult. She couldn't believe she got the award.

"I was surprised," she

said.

Selvaggi said they were selected as the most exemplary people in aiding with traffic safety. He said police and parents can't always be available to ease the congestion of children coming and leaving school.

"They do a great job," he said. "They do it for free."

Selvaggi said teachers aid in keeping the rules enforced and also should be honored.

"They're a very valuable tool in keeping the kids safe," he said.

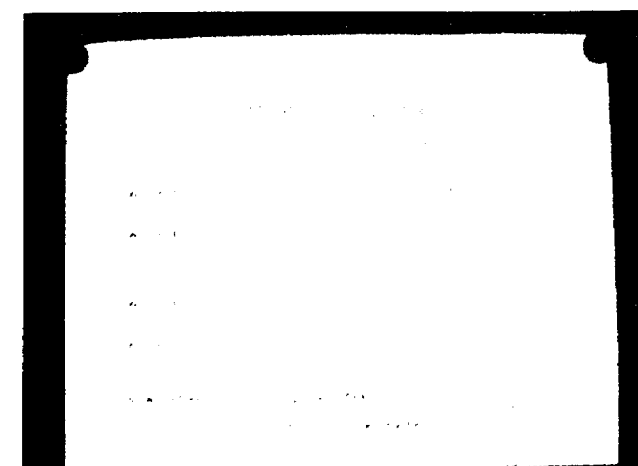


Photo by Carrie Cunningham

Three students were given a certificate, above, and a plaque for the outstanding service in promoting safety.

For Police Briefs, see page 9A

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

OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the testing of the Computer Program for the Special School Election to be held on September 29, 2003, will be carried out on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at 11:00 a.m. in the Superintendent of Schools Office, located in the Harper Woods Secondary School, 20225 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan.

The test is to assure the validity of the computer program which will be used to count ballots for the Special School Election to be held September 29, 2003. The public is invited to attend.

G.P.N. 09/18/2003

Joel Killenberg,
City Clerk

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 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 except Mayor Pro Tem John Szymanski.

MOTIONS PASSED:

- To excuse Mayor Pro Tem John Szymanski from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on August 11, 2003, and further receive, receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustees Employees Retirement System Meeting held August 13, 2003, the Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting held August 13, 2003, the Planning Commission Meeting held August 20, 2003, and the Library Board Meeting held on August 21, 2003.
- That the agenda of the Regular City Council Meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

- To approve the following items in the Consent Agenda:
 - Approve the Accounts Payable Listing for Check Numbers 68104 through 68221 in the amount of \$502,482.20 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
 - Approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Woods in the amount of \$27,306.82 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Torrey Road Pump Station operating costs during the period January 1 through June 30, 2003.
- To approve the request to purchase a Chevrolet S10 Pickup truck from Buff Whelan Chevrolet in an amount not to exceed \$12,136.77, and further, that competitive bidding be waived as this purchase was bid through the Oakland County Purchasing Department.
- To approve the Service Contract with SMART for the City's Connector Operations covering the period from July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2004.
- To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a litigation matter.

Kenneth A. Poynter,
Mayor

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

G.P.N. 09/18/2003

SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS
OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS,
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 29, 2003**

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the special bond election of the School District of the City of Harper Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held in the school district on Monday, September 29, 2003.

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

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special bond election:

BONDING PROPOSAL:

Shall School District of the City of Harper Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Forty-Two Million Four Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$42,410,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing and equipping new elementary and middle/high school buildings; acquiring, installing and equipping the new facilities for technology, constructing, improving and equipping playgrounds and athletic fields and facilities; and demolishing Tyronne and Beacon Elementary Schools and the middle/high school, and developing and improving the sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2003, under current law, is 5.79 mills (\$5.79 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a total 2003 debt levy of 9.25 mills and a net increase of 5.68 mills. The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, will not exceed thirty (30) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 8.52 mills (\$8.52 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

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

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Precinct No. A
Voting Place: Harper Woods Secondary School, 20225 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan

Precinct No. B
Voting Place: Beacon Elementary School, 19475 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, Michigan

Precinct No. C
Voting Place: Tyronne Elementary School, 19525 Tyronne, Harper Woods, Michigan

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

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

Joel Killenberg,
Secretary, Board of Education

G.P.N. 09/18/2003 & 09/25/2003

Profit-taking trims Dow and Nasdaq fractionally

The Dow Jones industrial group gave up 32 points to close at 9,472 last Friday, only the first time in six weeks to close lower.

The Nasdaq composite came close to breaking even, down only 3 points, ending Friday at 1,855.

Momentum keeps stocks moving ahead. Sharp sell-offs, like last Thursday, disappeared last Friday afternoon with another surge of late buying from the cash-rich hedge funds. The overhead supply of stock is extremely thin, as former short-sellers are deep in the trenches licking their wounds.

This week the market moves into the two-week "Confession season" as corporate executives try to hint or talk around possible third-quarter disappointments when the press releases start to float next month.

The financial sector continues to have the jitters regarding the near collapse of new mortgage refunding applications in August. Many regional bank holding companies trading on Nasdaq have had an outstanding price run-up over the past two years.

Based on their contribution to gross revenues and net income, the mortgage application and servicing departments have overshadowed the commercial and consumer lending activities of many community banks.

The bank's "bottom line" often has become dominated by local mortgage originations! These "small cap" stocks are often thinly traded and could be vulnerable to market corrections.

Analysts continue to be concerned about wholesale dumping of company stock by corporate insiders in volumes not seen for decades. Aren't the insiders supposed to be the most knowledgeable about corporate profit trends?

The Fed's September meeting last Tuesday was a non-event, with short-term interest rates unchanged.

More late trading

The feature article in the mutual funds section of Barron's (Sept. 15) by Erin E. Arvedlund is titled, "Timers On Their Hands," and for a page and a half dishes up more dirt on mutual fund managers who stopped their clocks at 4 p.m. to permit certain favored hedge funds to trade as late as 9 p.m.

The author says many hedge funds — not just the "Canary" bird — churn from \$20 to \$40 billion in and out of mutual funds, known as "mutual-fund timing" or "fund arbitrage."

Securities laws don't explicitly prohibit mutual-fund timing, unlike late trading in which investors get a 4 p.m. price hours after the close, which is illegal.

Most mutual fund

Let's talk... STOCKS

By Joseph Mengden



prospectuses prominently discourage small investors from fund timing. At the same time, big investors, including hedge funds, are permitted to "time" or "arbitrage" at will, in size.

Many individual small investors started stock trading on the Internet in the late 1990s. Some became so successful as "day traders," they gave up their former jobs and became chained to their computers during market hours. Because overseas stock markets close at times different from the 4 p.m. close in New York, a new mutual fund timing strategy developed in "datelined" global funds.

These international funds, which are priced at

their local closing time, can be purchased much later at the New York close, which at times is both very profitable and legal.

Many mutual funds, to discourage in-and-out small investors, have slapped on early redemption penalty fees.

But certain hedge funds have bribed certain mutual fund managers to permit late trading, described here last week. With no-risk profits going to the hedge fund, the other mutual fund shareholders were financially cheated, which is why it has long been illegal.

Barron's quotes Eric Zitzewitz of Stanford's Graduate School of Business, who estimates

that late trading costs investors \$400 million per year!

As expected, New York Attorney General Spitzer's shocking news was only the beginning of the fireworks!

Morningside — which keeps track of the "who's who" of mutual funds — fired a broadside last week at the four fund families first identified by Spitzer. Last week, Morningside posted a "sell" rating on Strong's family of funds, Bank of America's Nations funds, Bank One's One Group funds and all of Janus.

Your IRA, 401(k) and other tax-deferred accounts can be transferred to new accounts, without your incurring any capital gains taxes (check your tax adviser). Many such investors are switching into the no-load, very low expense funds of the Vanguard family.

Since the "guilty" mutual funds listed above were well aware they were putting their interests ahead of their

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 9/12/03

Dow Jones Ind.	9,472
Nasdaq Comp.	1,855
S&P 500 Index	1,019
\$ in EUROS	1.1288
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	28.27
Gold (Oz.)	375.90
3-Mo. T-Bills	0.95%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	5.17%

customers' interests, don't ask their sales rep for a switch recommendation. Instead, get a clean opinion direct from the no-load fund on the Internet or call the 800 number.

Joseph Mengden is a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe and 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. and Rickel & Baun P.C.

News of the weird — what else is new?

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that I like searching the Internet for weird and funny material.

It's also neat that my family and friends know of this perverse hobby of mine.

That said, my wife introduced me to a Web site that is truly "out there." It is aptly named News of the Weird (www.news-of-the-weird.com).

Here are a few examples, first from the New York Times.

"Tensions are brewing in the family of Zell Kravinsky, 48, and his psychiatrist-wife, Emily, over what she believes is his excessive altruism.

Kravinsky is not just a passionate philanthropist (from his fortune in commercial real estate), but also such a strict utilitarian that he says he would sacrifice his one good kidney (He's already donated the other one.) if someone doing more social good than he needed it. 'No one should have two kidneys,' he says, 'until everyone has one.'"

My thought? Too bad he doesn't think the same thing about his brain.

Remember chads? Chads, as in Florida elections? Do you think they've got everything fixed? Not!

Broward County, which was one of the "ground zeros" during Florida's 2000 presidential vote-counting problems, mistakenly failed 6,559 public middle-school students in June due to what it later called a com-

Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



puter error.

I'm reminded of the old line from a Floridian that says the fruits and nuts up north seem to roll downhill to Florida.

This next piece of news begs this question: Where was he sitting? Read on.

Single-engine pilot Michael Grumbine flew at barely tree-top level over La Serna High School in Whittier, Calif., in May, to drop anti-abortion leaflets to students.

However, in mid-flight he accidentally stuck his hand into the propeller blades, severing two fingers and sending the plane into a fall, where it crash-landed.

Unfortunately he survived, making him ineligible for a Darwin award, given to those who improve the human gene pool by eliminating themselves from it.

Anyone hungry? Let's go over by the grill.

Sewage-treatment officials in Pittsburgh, wanting to lure crowds to a June showing of their new facilities, thought the best way to attract people was to offer them a picnic of free hamburgers and hot dogs to accompany the demonstra-

tion of state-of-the-art raw sewage disposal. Some 300 people attended.

I wonder how many left hungry? I wonder if they used a gas grill? (Sorry.)

You may remember reading about Tony Martin, one of Britain's most prominent criminals.

He was sentenced to six years in prison for defending his property by shooting one burglar to death and wounding another. Martin was turned down for early parole in 2002, and also for a trial home visit in July, on the official grounds that he continued to pose a threat to burglars. (I'm not making this up! Really!)

An aside to Martin: When you're next visiting the United States, you can stay at my place.

Well, Martin was granted parole by statute in August and now must prepare to defend a civil suit by the surviving, limping burglar, Brendon Fearon.

Fearon claims the gunshot permanently disabled him.

There may be hope for poor Martin. In August, London's Sun newspaper surreptitiously videotaped Fearon walking without a limp and effortlessly bicycling and climbing stairs. I

wonder if it was his bike and his stairs.

Remember, burglars, if the name on the mailbox is Martin, move on.

Here is another one from England, proving all the fruits and nuts aren't living here.

Jeremy Bamber, convicted years ago for killing five of his family members, filed a lawsuit against four surviving relatives for conspiring to deprive him of "his share" of the family estate.

More proof that you really can't take it with you.

This next one could make you MADD.

A judge in North Platte, Neb., willingly accepted the defense of a 45-year-old inmate on work release. He testified the reason he had alcohol on his breath was that he had eaten a homemade burrito whose ingredients had been dipped in beer.

I didn't know Taco Bell made a Burrito Corona.

And the winner is...

The Canadian Immigration and Refugee Board turned down the petition for asylum by a Venezuelan woman, who claimed she needed to stay in Canada because back home she would be persecuted for being too fat.

I understand she blubbered, er, cried all the way home.

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

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Real Estate

By Alex M. Lucido

MORTGAGE INTEREST DEDUCTION

How many dollars did you deduct on last year's income tax return for mortgage interest? If the answer is NONE, read on.

Many career-minded people feel that a disproportionately large share of their income goes toward the payment of federal income taxes. Perhaps that's true for you also.

To simplify matters, let's say that you're in the 28% tax bracket. Do you realize that by owing your own home with payments of \$800 per month, you might actually have an initial tax saving of up to \$2,688 per year (\$224 per month)? And with a \$800 monthly payment, less a \$224 monthly tax saving, you would

have a net house payment of \$576 per month! On top of that your house value should increase significantly each year. Remember, home ownership is still the best tax shelter there is.

If you feel you've been paying too much income tax and want to change that part of your life, call our office. With no obligation or cost to you whatsoever, we'll show you how to make that change -- painlessly.

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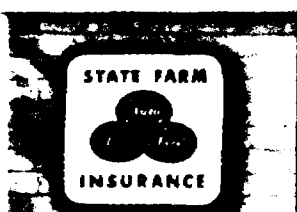
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Interested parties may visit the site on September 25, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. A recommended pre-bid meeting will take place on September 25, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 200 of the Clinton Township Civic Center.

To take part in the site visit or pre-bid meeting, please contact Carlo Santia, Director-Department of Planning and Community Development at 586-286-9325.

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Recipe for sandwich board signs passes muster

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A Grosse Pointe Woods flower shop owner said the city council's revamped sign ordinance cost her up to \$16,000 in lost sales, forced the layoff of an employee and reduced hours for two more.

Facing fallout over a sweeping attempt to "protect" the business community from sign pollution — and criticism from angry constituents two months before an election — council members last week granted exceptions to their 4-month-old ban on sandwich board signs.

By doing so, the council outlined ways to comply with sign restrictions critics feel are heavy-handed.

"Sometimes in our effort to control, we control too much," observed resident Cindie Slavik.

The issue concerned Diana Sharpe wanting to reinstall a sandwich board sign in the front alcove outside her Secret Garden flower shop in the 20300 block of Mack near Country Club. Sandwich signs are basically note boards supported by folding easels.

Sharpe's version stood recessed from the sidewalk and announced daily specials such as "Tulips \$6 a bunch" written in pastel pink and purple letters.

On June 23, city officials ordered the sign removed because it violated the "spirit" of the council's new 25-page sign ordinance. The ordinance was updated to "protect the aesthetic quality of the city" and "promote an Early American Colonial motif."

"I'm losing \$200 to \$300 per day," Sharpe told the council, Sept. 8. "I let one girl go and had to reduce a couple girls' hours. I need my sign. I love my cus-

tomers in Grosse Pointe Woods. I want to be able to stay here. Without my sign, that would be tough."

Support grows

Sharpe received support from Alison Haus, vice president of Business and Retail Associates of Mack Avenue and owner of a children's store.

"I'm trying to respect what goes on here," Haus chastised the council, her voice shaking with emotion. "You have seriously damaged someone's income. What if they did that to your paycheck? That is brutality."

"We don't need anymore empty stores," said Joseph Dansbury, one of five council members who voted for the sign ordinance May 5. Eric Steiner and Patty Chylinski were the only elected officials to oppose the measure.

"The council is trying to protect business and residents from abuses," said colleague Allen Dickinson.

Dickinson said restrictions preempt blight, such as oversized signs with hand-painted, iridescent lettering.

For some Woods officials, grappling with sandwich boards meant biting off more than they could chew.

"Having sat through a couple years of sign committee meetings, the sandwich boards is (sic) one that was out there and was nibbling," said Vicky Granger, council member.

Numerous residents attending last week's council session saw a problem, but not with signs.

"There's a growing perception that Grosse Pointe Woods is not a very friendly place to do business," said Mary Kaye Ferry, a member of the Woods historical commission. "If we discourage business our taxes will go up. Taxes paid by businesses

keep our community viable. Reconsider this ordinance, and be a little more friendly to these folks doing business in our community."

"Our council has struggled to come up with an ordinance that works for everyone," said Dickinson. "To say we're unfriendly is truly unfortunate."

Amy Hicks, who lives near Mack, said sandwich signs catch her eye. "They put an idea in my head to support local business," she said.

Hicks said things Sharpe already knew.

"I'm losing all my impulse customers because flowers aren't a necessity," Sharpe said. "They're an emotion. When people drive down Mack, they see my sign. It plants the idea to do something nice — they pick up flowers."

Haus told the council that sandwich signs are critical to many local retailers.

"There are businesses on Mack that could vacate and add to vacant buildings because of a simple little sign that you guys decided to not pass because it's offensive to the eye?" she asked rhetorically. "It's not Colonial enough? To let a staff member go?"

Referring to the employee Sharpe had to lay off, Haus scolded the council: "Now you affected a whole other family. What if she (the employee) had tuition to pay and groceries to buy and school clothes to buy? It's just wrong — for a simple sign?"

Slavik, the resident, said, "Signs like these call to me. It has a small town charm. We need to be kind of friendly. Let's keep that pedestrian traffic and impulse buying going."

Kelly Shimko, who lives one house off Mack, buys flowers at Secret Garden. "It was because of her

sign," Shimko said. "It's very tasteful. The sign drew me in."

Shimko said she's never seen a sign on Mack that made her think, "Oh my God, we need to get rid of that."

Sandwich board recipe

The council granted Sharpe's appeal but imposed seven conditions. Sandwich boards signs must be:

- displayed only during business hours,
- displayed on store property off the right-of-way,
- stable,
- only colors listed in the city's approved color chart,
- maintained,
- framed by wood or metal and
- be no taller than 65 inches overall with a message board no larger than 32 inches wide and 48 inches

high. "We would be hard-pressed to deny another applicant that could meet the same requirements," said Mayor Robert Novitke.

Sharpe's precedent meant the council had to approve sandwich sign appeals by Brian Freshwater, owner-operator of The Breadsmith, and David Wagonsomer of Edwin Paul Salon, both on Mack.



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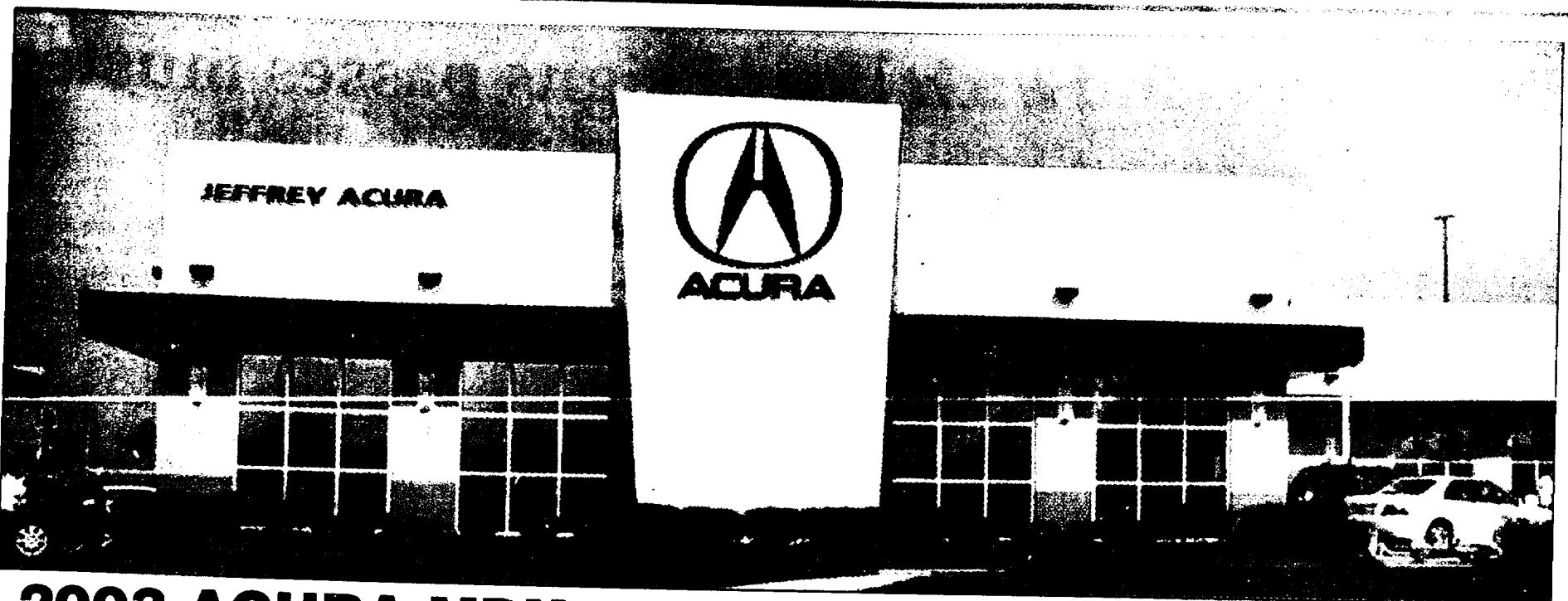
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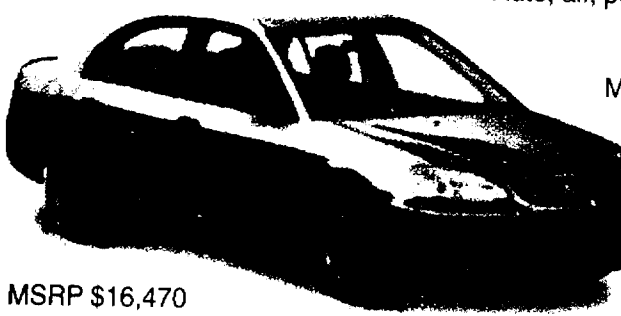
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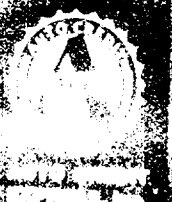
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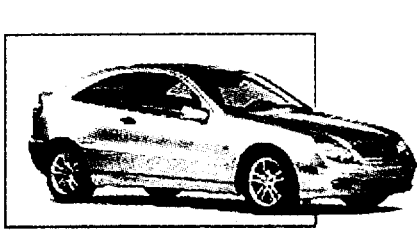
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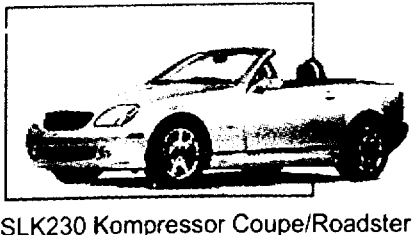
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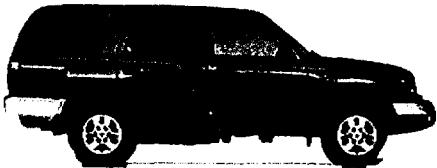
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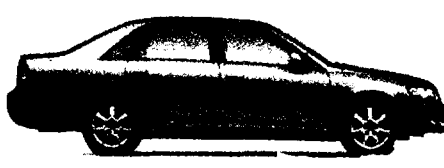
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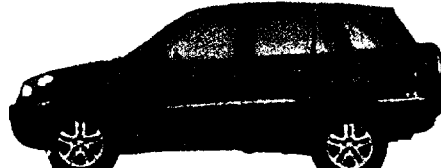
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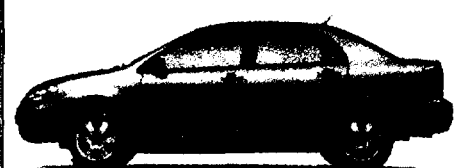
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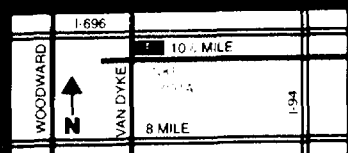
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September 18, 2003

Grosse Pointers partner for humanity

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

When Habitat for Humanity Detroit set out to build 16 houses in its Blitz Build '03, it knew they could count on a foundation of volunteers from the Grosse Pointes.

During the week of Sept. 6-13, about 450 people put up framing, insulation, siding, doors and roofing on the houses in a virtual Genesis on Williams Street in Tri-Centennial Village, located between Michigan and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. just west of I-96 in Detroit. Work on the foundations was completed over the summer.

In the past 18 months, Habitat for Humanity Detroit has built 43 homes and a small community park. It hopes to construct at least 80 homes in the 16-block neighborhood.

This year's Blitz, the first since 1997, is the largest put on by Habitat for Humanity Detroit according to its president and Grosse Pointe Farms resident Jack Mogk.

"Doing a blocklong Blitz is part of our year-round program," Mogk said. "We decided to reintroduce the Blitz because we were able to increase our capacity."

Working on a house alongside Mogk was George Nicholson, a Habitat for Humanity Detroit board member, who usually logs in about 1,200 hours a year for the organization, mostly working in finance.

Jack Williams is another Habitat for Humanity Detroit board member, who worked on a house sponsored by CitiGroup.

"We try to build three basic styles: a two-story colonial, a ranch and a bungalow," Williams said, after climbing off the scaffolding of the CitiGroup colonial.

One of the other 11 groups that sponsored a house was Grosse Pointe Partners, a group of people from 12 Grosse Pointe area churches, which has built Habitat houses in the Detroit area.

"Grosse Pointe Partners has been a longtime supporter of the work of Habitat," Mogk said. "They have contributed to a number of homes in this and other neighborhoods."

Unlike the other sponsors, mostly corporations

which back the donations to sponsor a house and give paid time off to employees to work on the houses, the Partners rely on the volunteer efforts of its members and friends to raise the \$60,000 needed to sponsor a house and work on the build site.

One of those volunteers was Judy Greiner, a member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, who volunteered her time after seeing a notice seeking volunteers for the project in her church paper.

"Since I work part time, my hours are flexible," Greiner said. "I'm here by 9 a.m. after I drop my kids off at school, and out by 3:30 p.m. when I have to pick them up."

Greiner had no building experience before coming on the work site.

"My kids asked, 'What are you going to do?'" Greiner said. "It's amazing how quickly you learn."

"That's what a blessing this is," said Tom Rice, associate pastor at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and team leader of the Partners' house. "Not everyone has to be an expert, but the experts lead and teach the rest of us what to do."

The Partners built a four-bedroom, 1,400-square foot bungalow for Tymeke Thompson of Detroit, a single mother of daughter Rayquel, 5, and son Malik, 6 months.

Thompson, a secretary at Detroit's Western High School, was granted the week off by her principal to work alongside the Partners and put in part of the 300 hours required by Habitat for Humanity Detroit.

"It's hard work," Thompson said. "But then I think of all the people who came out to help. It's a blessing."

The blessing is likewise for Greiner.

"I'm glad I got to meet Tymeke," Greiner said.

As the workers on Williams Street pound, saw and drill in a nonstop symphony, not all of the work is done with tools.

Jane Hoey, a member of Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, supervised hospitality for the Blitz. She was on the job site every day at 6 a.m. to organize breakfast before the workers arrived.

Her days ended after picking up foodstuffs from local donors Panera Bread in the Village, Atlanta Bread Co. at Pointe Plaza, and Tim Horton's in Harper Woods after closing hours.

Hoey's work started long before the first nail was struck on Sept. 6. She started looking for food donors and church groups to cook and serve breakfasts and lunches last November. She was also responsible for finding transportation and lodging for out-of-town volunteers.

Hoey, too, had a crew of volunteers assisting her, including about a half dozen members of Americorps.

Erin Coyle of Grosse Pointe Farms was one of the members from Americorps who assisted Hoey. Her three-month assignment began in June and culminated at the end of the Blitz.

By the end of the week, the single block of Williams had been transformed into a brand-new neighborhood. In the next few months, Habitat volunteers will come by on the weekends to install plumbing, wiring and finish work. Rice's youth group from Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and its partner youth group from Hartford Memorial Baptist Church in Detroit have already committed to assisting with finish work on the Partners' house in October.

"I've learned how so much work can be accomplished when so many people help," Rice said.

In the end, Thompson, who now lives in a two-bedroom apartment, will have a house she can call her own. She'll obtain a 20-year, interest-free mortgage through Habitat for Humanity Detroit.

"The payments will be a little higher than what I'm paying for rent now, but it's mine," Thompson said. Besides the pride of ownership, Thompson said her new house will be her daughter's dream house, too.

"My daughter has been asking, 'Mommy, can I have a playground in my backyard,'" Thompson said. "I can't say she'll have one in the backyard but I can say there'll be a very nice one around the corner."



Photo by Bonnie Caprara
In 4 1/2 days the Grosse Pointe Partners had completed the framing and some insulation and window installation on a bungalow, one of 16 houses built during Habitat for Humanity Detroit's Blitz Build '03 in Tri-Centennial Village in Detroit.



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The Rev. Tom Rice, associate pastor at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and team leader of the Grosse Pointe Partners' Habitat for Humanity house, helps Tymeke Thompson cut lumber. Thompson, who must contribute at least 300 hours of sweat equity in building the house, will purchase the Partners' house with a 20-year, interest-free mortgage through Habitat for Humanity Detroit.

Engagements/Weddings

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Scott Vande Veegaete
and Nicole Martz

Martz-Vande Veegaete

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Martz of Clinton Township have announced the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Martz, to Dr. Scott Vande Veegaete of Grosse Pointe Park, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Vande Veegaete of New Baltimore. An October wedding is planned.

Martz earned a Bachelor of Science degree in manufacturing systems engineering from GMI and a Master of Science degree in industrial operations from Lawrence Technological University. She is a designing engineer with General Motors Corp.

Vande Veegaete earned a Bachelor of Science degree in anatomy and physiology and a Doctor of Chiropractic

degree from the Palmer College of Chiropractic. He is a doctor of chiropractic and owner of Lakepointe Chiropractic Clinic in Grosse Pointe Woods.



Jason L. Chesley and
Joanna Thomas

Thomas-Chesley

James and Adriani Thomas of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joanna Thomas, to Jason L. Chesley, son of Kent and Connie Chesley of California and Bob and Nancy Bale of Colorado. A May wedding is planned.

Thomas is self-employed at Atlanta DNA Center Inc. Chesley is operations manager with a regulatory compliance firm.



Julie Gmeiner and
C. Jason Knost

Gmeiner-Knost

Faye Gmeiner of Grosse Pointe Park and William Gmeiner Jr. of St. Clair Shores have announced the engagement of their daughter, Julie Gmeiner, to C. Jason Knost, son of Charles

and Nancy Knost of Grosse Pointe Woods. A May wedding is planned.

Gmeiner earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in education from Wayne State University.

Knost earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in food industry management from Michigan State University. He is general manager of DAS Inc. in Lansing and Howell.

Echlin-O'Day

Elizabeth Tucker Echlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Echlin III of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Scott Radcliffe O'Day, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. O'Day of Lake Sunapee, N.H., on May 3, 2003 in S. Woodstock, Vt.

The groom's cousin, Dr. Gail O'Day, officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Kedron Valley Inn.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott
Radcliffe O'Day

The bride wore an ivory peau de soie gown that featured a portrait neckline. She wore a cathedral-length veil and carried a bouquet of tulips, freesia, hyacinths, stock and roses.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Tracy Thomas of Cohasset, Mass.

Bridesmaids were the

bride's sisters, Josephine Fox and Catherine Echlin, both of Grosse Pointe; and the groom's sister, Nancy O'Day of Weymouth, Mass.

The flower girl was Abigail Thomas. Attendants wore long black gowns.

The best men were the groom's sons, Ryan O'Day and Matthew O'Day.

Groomsmen were Bradley Fox of Grosse Pointe, Kevin Thomas of Cohasset, Mass., and Mark O'Day of Duxbury, Mass.

The ring bearer was Connor Fox.

Scripture reader was Mrs. John McCullough.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and French from Boston College and a master's degree in physical therapy from Washington University.

The groom graduated from Marietta College.

The couple honeymooned at Red Mountain Spa in Utah. They live in Weymouth, Mass.

Babies

Daniel Rodney Sage

Amy and Bob Sage of Houston, Texas, are the parents of a son, Daniel Rodney Sage, born July 29, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Walter and Joyce Walker of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are Ted and Hope Sage of North Haven, Maine.

Jacob Scott Schaupter

Scott and Jennifer Schaupter of Grosse Pointe Park are the parents of a son, Jacob Scott Schaupter, born July 18, 2003. Grandparents are Jackie Valko of Mentor, Ohio, Greg Valko of Willoughby, Ohio, Sheila O'Connor of Plymouth and Ronald and Priscilla Schaupter of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Douglas McFall Wood Jr.

Beth and Doug Wood of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Douglas McFall Wood Jr., born Aug. 7, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Archie VanElslander of Grosse Pointe Shores. Paternal grandparents are Robert Woods of Jackson, Tenn., and Sharon Wood of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Sarah Elizabeth Christensen

Mark and Karen Christensen of Troy are the parents of Sarah Elizabeth Christensen, born May 16, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Deane and Mary Holway of St. Clair. Paternal grandparents are

Harry Christensen of Fairfield Glade, Tenn. and the late Marti Christensen.

Lauren Alexandra Quaine

Christina and Emmet Quaine of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a daughter, Lauren Alexandra Quaine, born Sept. 4, 2003. Maternal grandparents are

Tibor and Edith Szabo of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Karen Jackson of Chesterfield Township and the late Tom Quaine.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Marie Quaine of Warren, Mrs. Maria Szabo of Palm Harbor, Fla., and Robert and Aileen Lafferty of Fraser.

Benefits and fundraisers

More Fun on the Fairway Golf Outing: Benefiting the Pierce Middle School Parent Teacher Organization, 9 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 4, Sycamore Hills Golf Club, 48787 North Avenue, Macomb. \$90. Reservations required.

Kolping Society Fall Fashion Show: Includes dinner and fashions from the Dress Barn, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 23, Kolping Center, 24409 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. \$20. Reservations requested. (586) 757-1251.



Khaghani - Lutz

The August 10, 2002 wedding announcement of Leah Victoria Khaghani and Brian Michael Lutz published in the September 11, 2003 Grosse Pointe News omitted the wonderful Junior Bridesmaid Jillian Black of Grosse Pointe Farms

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Pointe artists earn prizes at Michigan State Fair

Members of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association took home a number of prizes from the Michigan State Fair.

In the professional fine arts category, **Francine Kachman** took a first place in oil painting with a work called "Detroit Native." **Julie Sabit** got an honorable mention.

In the watercolor division, **Lori Zurvalec** took a fourth place prize; honorable mentions went to **Charmaine Kaptur** and **Beverly Zimmerman**.

In the drawings division, **Susan Roubal** won first with "Morning Mist." **Chuck Bigelow** took a second and fifth, and **Susan Roubal** got an honorable mention.

Linda Allen took a third place prize in sculpture. **Julie Sabit** got a third in the wildlife category, while **Chuck Bigelow** got an honorable mention.

In the amateur fine arts division, **Margaret Collins** took home an honorable mention. In the community arts category, **Marsha Taylor-Winn** won two seconds, a third, a fifth place ribbon and an honorable mention.

Sibling quibbling: The Family Center will present "But Johnny Always Gets the Best Seat," from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Beacon Elementary

School's library, 19475 Beaconsfield in Harper Woods. Dr. Elizabeth Barton, a developmental psychologist with Wayne State University, will discuss short- and long-term consequences of sibling rivalry and give practical strategies for coping with conflict.

Advance registration is recommended. Call (313) 432-3832. To register for child care, call (313) 371-0070 by Friday, Oct. 10.

Walkin' the dogs:

The Michigan Retired Greyhounds As Pets' seventh annual Walk for Life will be held on Monday, Sept. 22, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. The event will raise funds to offset medical costs incurred for greyhounds that have been rescued from racing.

According to the Greyhound Protection League, a national advocacy organization, nearly 20,000 greyhounds are destroyed each year because they are no longer considered profitable. Most of these animals make loyal and affectionate pets.

For more information on the event or the organization, go to www.rescued-greyhounds.org and www.greyhounds.org.

Big Bash: Academy of the Sacred Heart and

Grosse Pointe Academy alumni will gather for the second "Big Bash at the Little Club," on Friday, Sept. 19, at the Grosse Pointe Club for a cocktail party fundraiser in honor of former Academy of the Sacred Heart Superior Helen Healy.

"Mother Healy represented many of the ideals that are part of the Academy's mission today," said Rosalie Posselius, president of the alumni association. "Chief among these are academic excellence, an education sound in moral and ethical development and service to the community."

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Helen Healy Alumni Scholarship Fund, which is designated for the tuition of a child or grandchild of an Academy alum. Members of the public who wish to attend should contact The Grosse Pointe Academy at (313) 886-1221. The cost is \$50 a person and includes hors d'oeuvres and a cocktail. There will be live music and a cash bar.

That's entertainment:

Sales of the 2004 Entertainment Book will benefit the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. The cost is \$30 per book. Call (313) 885-0632.

— Margie Reins Smith



The food committee for Big Bash met recently to plan hors d'oeuvres for the Big Bash. From left, are Tracy Wilson, Judy Prus, Libby Pollis and Carol Gagnon.

Ballet instructor celebrates 50 years with Grosse Pointe War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is pleased to announce that one of its most dedicated instructors, Mary Ellen Cooper, will be honored at an open house reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18.

The event will offer a chance for former and current students, friends and families to come together to celebrate Cooper's work.

"We wanted to honor Miss Cooper for her lifetime dedication and commitment to the ballet program at the War Memorial," said LouAnne Wattrick, director

of lifelong learning at the War Memorial. "We invite the community to an open house reception at the historic Alger House and know this will be a unique opportunity for everyone to celebrate this milestone with her. Mary Ellen Cooper has touched many lives in this community and we look forward to thanking her on this special day."

Cooper, a native Detroit, has been involved with the Cecchetti Method of ballet training and has been a national board member of the Cecchetti Council of

America. She has served on its board for 50 years and was president of the council in 1980-81. Cooper also holds advanced exam with the Cecchetti Board of London, England.

She earned a degree in music and piano from the Royal Conservatory of Music, University of Toronto.

Advance reservations for the open house are preferred. Call Amy Eisengruber at (313) 881-7511, ext. 114.

Fresh veggies enhance pasta dish

Autumn is a great time of year for fresh vegetables. A trip to the Eastern Market on a Saturday during the fall months can save you a bundle on produce.

I have this problem of buying too many vegetables when my husband chauffeurs me downtown to the market. I recently turned an excess of freshly grown Michigan (my favorite!) vegetables into a lovely pasta primavera. The Italian phrase alla primavera means "spring style," dishes garnished with freshly cooked vegetables.

This recipe is a take from "All the Best Pasta Sauces" by Joe Warner.

Pasta Primavera

1/2 to 1 lb. pasta, cooked according to package directions, al dente, then tossed with olive oil

2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons olive oil

4 garlic cloves, chopped

8 cups mixed fresh vegetables, cut into large bite-sized pieces: choose your favorites from fresh zucchini, summer squash, sweet peppers, sugar snap



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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

peas, broccoli, onions, mushrooms, carrots, tomatoes, etc.

1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley (or 1/4 cup dried)

2/3 cup heavy cream
3 to 4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

salt and pepper to taste

Melt the butter with the olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the garlic and the vegetables and cook and toss for 5 minutes, until the vegetables are crispy-tender. Add the parsley and cook for another minute. Stir in the heavy cream and increase the heat so the cream can bubble and thicken. Add the Parmesan cheese. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Toss with the cooked pasta until the pasta is reheated throughout. Serve hot.

Ideally, you can prepare the vegetable cream sauce while the pasta is cooking and it will be hot when you add it to the sauce. If your skillet is full, toss the vegetable cream sauce and the pasta in a large mixing bowl and return it to the skillet in smaller portions to reheat, if necessary.

If you want carrots in your primavera, precook them, as they require more cooking time than the other vegetables. Tomatoes, on the other hand, should be added with the parsley because of their delicate nature.

The actual amounts of every ingredient in this recipe can be adjusted according to your taste. I opted for more veggies and less pasta in order to keep my primavera on the lighter side. If your preference is a thick, heavy sauce, simply add more cream and cheese. Crushed pepper flakes will give the primavera a kick.

Pair delicious pasta primavera with anything off the grill. It's a perfect end-of-summer choice.

Meetings

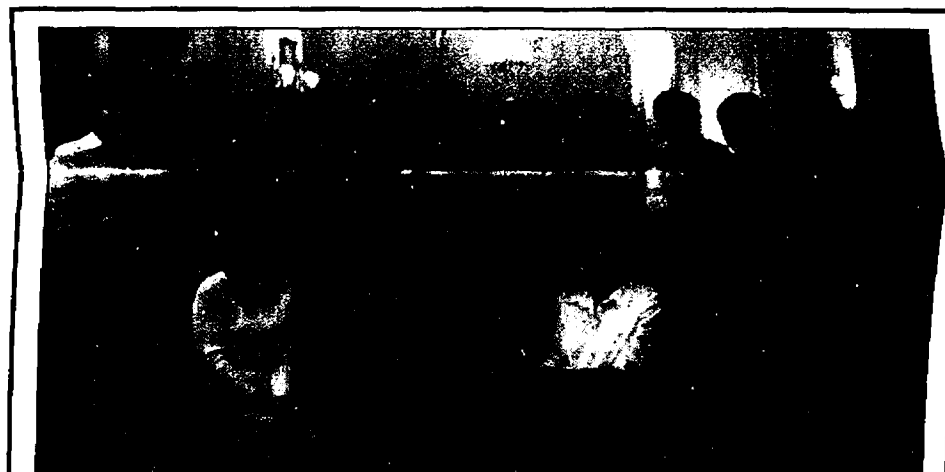
Women's Connection

The Women's Connection will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, for dinner and a meeting at a private club in Grosse Pointe. FBI Special Agent Dawn Clenney will present a program, "Who are You? Identity Theft and Identity Fraud."

For reservations, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855; for membership information, call (313) 884-4201.

Estate planning is topic for women

"Estate Planning for Women," a lecture by Frederick Hoops III of Clark Hill PLC, will be presented at noon Tuesday, Oct. 14, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park in Grosse Pointe Woods. The cost is \$5. Call (313) 884-4820.



ALNEGC

The Assistance League to the Northeast Guidance Center announced its new board members for 2003-04. In the front row, from left, are Kyle Clor, Sue Martin, Co-Presidents Denise Cara and Helen Boyer, Julie Lamb and Shawn Vinson. In the back, from left, are Beth Quinn, Sandy Seale, Carol Rogers, Patty Groezinger, Kerry Smale, Karen Horn, Barb Keller, Helen Clarren, Andrea Mattel, Allison Kuhnlein and Sandi Cook.

The ALNEGC is a nonprofit auxiliary that supports and enhances behavioral and related health care services to high-risk children and adults on Detroit's east side, including the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods. For membership information, contact Sue Martin at (313) 885-8592 or sue-martin@comcast.net.

GPHS plans 'Legends of the Fall'

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society will share old Grosse Pointe legends from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10, at its headquarters, the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The family event, "Legends of the Fall," will feature a reenactment of several local legends: "The Nun of St. Clair," c. 1690; "The Devil's Grist," c. 1712; "Le Lutin," c. 1746; and "Le Loup Garou," c. 1770. Stories will be told by local character actors.

Folk music and an art display, pumpkin painting, doughnut bobbing and cider will also be available.

Tickets are \$4 in advance, \$5 at the door. To purchase an advance ticket, call the Grosse Pointe Historical Society's resource center at (313) 884-7010 between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. or 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

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Exchange students

Sharon Maier, executive director of Services for Older Citizens and Grosse Pointe Rotarian, at the left, recently welcomed two Rotary foreign exchange students to Grosse Pointe.

Clara Ellsinger from Vastra Frolunda, Sweden, and Felix Johnk from Hamburg, Germany, will attend Grosse Pointe South High School. The exchange program fosters world peace and understanding through yearly exchanges of high school students.

To learn more about the program and how you or your student can participate, call Sue Kennedy at (313) 885-2526.

Kids' education begins at home

(WMS) — It is never too early to start preparing infants and toddlers for a lifetime of learning. Spending time with your child is the easiest way for you to nurture your child's growth and help him build cognitive, social and emotional skills.

Throughout the day, there are many times that parents naturally spend nurturing children: feeding them, caring for them, playing with them, bathing them, putting them to bed and reading to them. There are many simple ways to fill your daily routine with games and activities to enhance your child's educational development, from playing "Name That Food" at mealtime to playing peekaboo during bath time. It's a simple idea but make no mistake — it's vitally important to the cognitive, social and emotional development of your child.

The following ideas are from the experts at Mommy & Me, an organization dedicated to providing fun and simple ways to enhance the parent-child bonding experience:

Mealtime

With a kitchen full of interesting sights, sounds and smells, this can be an extremely engaging time for parent and baby.

For example, use cookie cutters to cut out shapes in food like bread or turkey, then invite your child to play a simple matching

game where he can win a tasty treat for every correct answer. This is a fun and easy way to develop word-association skills.

Bath time

Bath time may routinely leave you with soggy clothes, but it can also be a wonderful chance to bond with your little one.

Here's an idea to enhance the experience: Experiment with toys to see which objects float and which sink in the bathtub. Children will learn cause and effect and sensory stimulation with this fun, simple activity.

Bedtime

Develop a bedtime routine to get your youngster accustomed to a sleep schedule. You may want to read a story or help your youngster put some of his or her favorite toys to bed each night as a cue that it's bedtime. Plus, it will add to your bonding experience.

Research shows that focused time between parents and children offers positive effects on cognitive, social and emotional development.

Finding ways to make time together more enjoyable, more enriching and maybe a bit easier is at the heart of Mommy & Me's programming, products and services, all dedicated to promoting together-time between parent and child.

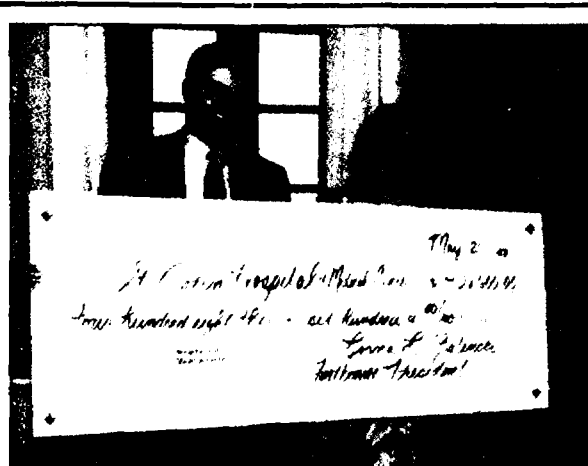


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Fontbonne gift

Lorna Zalenski of Grosse Pointe Woods, outgoing president of the Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital and Medical Center, at the right, presented a \$408,600 donation to the hospital on behalf of the auxiliary. Mark R. Taylor, president of the hospital, at the left, accepted the check at its annual meeting.

Another check for \$15,000 went to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Nazareth, MI, a charitable organization that founded SJH&MC. The checks are the result of many fundraising efforts throughout the year by the auxiliary.

Fontbonne officers for 2003-05 are: Peggy Davis, president; Linda Lloyd, president-elect; Mary Ann Van Elslander, vice president; Patricia Minnick, recording secretary; Judith Dobbins, corresponding secretary; and Debra Arnone, treasurer. Georgiana Simon is spiritual director.

Dominican Literacy Center plans 'Rally for Reading'

The Dominican Literacy Center will celebrate 15 years of service to the community from 8:15 a.m. until noon Saturday, Sept. 20, in the Dominican High School and Academy auditorium, Whittier and King Richard. The family day will feature activities for children such as story telling, balloon

sculpture, prizes, puppet-making, face painting, refreshments, a balloon launch and a mini walkathon. A DLC student and tutor will share their experiences.

For more information about the event or to become a volunteer tutor, call (313) 882-4853.

Teaching children the art of etiquette

Good manners go beyond not making faces in the mashed potatoes and remembering to say "please" and "thank you." Whether at home, in the classroom or on the playground, it's important to teach children to show respect and courtesy to others.

Experts say that good manners are not something one is born with. All children need to be taught such common courtesies as putting a napkin on a lap or calling an adult "Ma'am" or "Sir." "Children can scarcely be too young to be taught the rudiments of etiquette, nor can the teaching be too patiently or too conscientiously carried out," said Emily Post in "Etiquette: The Blue Book of Social Usage," which was first published in 1922.

Proper etiquette and respect for others should be instilled in young people so that they grow up to be well-mannered adults.

Uncommon courtesies

Teach your child to address adults by their last names. It is what you say that your child will echo. Don't expect kids to call the neighbors the Porters if you call them Betty and Pete.

If it's so important to say "thank you," then why is writing a thank-you note a dying art? After birthdays, holidays or any occasion when your child has received a gift, it is polite to promptly send a handwritten thank-you note. Many stores now carry matching invitations and thank-you

cards in kids' themes.

Another dying art is the RSVP. Don't merely teach your child to respond and to do so on time. Stress the importance of responding to invitations, explaining why letting the host know that you are coming is important for figuring out how much food to buy, how many seats to put out and how many party favors to make.

Interrupting

Interrupting is perhaps the most nerve-testing rude behavior, warranting its own category. Assure your children that whatever the matter is, it can usually wait a minute or two, until you are off the phone, finished with the store clerk or have pulled away from the drive-up bank teller.

Rather than snapping at his tenth try for your attention, respond to his first attempt by saying calmly, "I want to help you, and I will once I am done speaking with aunt Pat."

Before you begin teaching your kids about manners, remember three important things: Children learn by watching adults. Remember to reward your kids for what they do correctly, rather than always focusing on what they did wrong. Finally, manners matter at home too. But never take etiquette so far as to stunt your child's creativity. Once in a while, if no one is looking, giving the mashed potatoes peas for eyes and a carrot nose is OK and should be encouraged — so long as you eat with your mouth closed.

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Oh, Rats!

By Debbie Farmer
Special Writer

If you're a parent of a school-aged child, there are several things you don't want to hear the school principal say.

One of them is, "I'm calling you today because your child is in my office."

The other is anything that comes after that, explaining the reason why. Trust me, it's usually not good.

Take, for example, when I got a call from the principal about a teeny-tiny incident that happened at recess. It had something to do with a tetherball, my son and a very bad word — one that's usually heard in seedy parts of town and R-rated action movies.

I don't need to tell you that when something like this happens, all sorts of things immediately start going through your mind. The most prominent being denial, which everybody knows is the first line of defense.

My first thought was that she couldn't be talking about MY child. The same dear, sweet, innocent baby I rocked to sleep every night in my arms. My child doesn't even know That Word. Clearly, with all of the other renegade tetherball players roaming around the campus, they had the wrong kid.

"Oh, it's him, all right," the principal said, after I explained my theory.

Once her words sank in, I did what any good parent would do: I moved on to the second line of defense. The one I refer to as, "It's Got To Be A Mistake." This is similar to the first line, but here you go on to explain that he didn't really say That Word. What he had really said was something off the third-grader's List of Acceptable Swear Words that Start With the Letter B.

Like, "Booger Nose" or "Butt Head."

It was just misheard. There was silence.

Then the principal said, slightly less patiently than before: "He admitted it."

This is when the tide turns. Suddenly, you're no longer a defender of a wrongly accused child. You are now the mother of a self-confessed potty mouth who spends his recess time swaggering around tetherball courts casually tossing around That Word.

Once the shock wears off, you find yourself in a new phase: Acceptance. With that comes paranoia. You switch from defending your child to defending . . . yourself.

Why? Because you are sure the principal thinks he learned That Word



By Debbie Farmer

from you and soon it will be exposed to the authorities that you run a shoddy, dysfunctional household where everyone lounges around all day watching trashy talk shows and eating chocolate candy and saying That Word.

That's when you break into your 10-minute speech entitled, "He Must Have Learned it From His Father," including key points such as all the hours YOU spend watching public television together; and how YOU never say so much as "Oh, rats," not even the time you stepped on a plastic army action figure with your bare foot.

But deep down you know it isn't true.

Then, finally, comes the last phase: Taking Action. There are two schools of thought regarding what sort of action to take. The first is to simply ignore it and treat the whole incident as if he had said, "My, isn't Paris lovely in the spring?" Then, with a little luck, That Word will become so boring he'll eventually lose interest and stop using it altogether.

This theory may work fine with cute little 2-year-olds, but I'm not totally convinced it would work for my 8-year-old. I mean, we can't be eating Thanksgiving dinner at the in-laws' house and have him suddenly blurt out, "Hey, (insert That Word here), can you please pass the salt?"

Then simply IGNORE it. Clearly more drastic measures are needed, measures with grounding and apology notes and disappearing video games.

So, like any responsible parent, that's what I did. I think it worked, too. Yesterday, when my son accidentally stubbed his toe on the corner of the kitchen table, he shouted, "Oh, Yabizoka!"

I'm not sure what this means exactly, but I hope it's Japanese for, "Oh, rats."

Debbie Farmer is a humorist and a mom in California. You can find Debbie at www.family-daze.com, or by writing her at Oasis Newsfeatures, P.O. Box 2144, Middletown, OH, 45042.

Prevent or delay onset of memory loss

By Matilda Charles

Taking memory boosters before Alzheimer's disease develops may be the next step in preventing or delaying the onset of memory loss in Alzheimer's patients.

There are currently three types of so-called "smart pills" or "brain boosters" that appear to slow down or delay the loss of memory and other mental abilities in people with Alzheimer's: donepezil (Aricept), galantamine (Reminyl) and rivastigmine (Exelon).

However, the market for memory drugs is expected to expand beyond the Alzheimer's population. People in their 40s and 50s who have parents or other close relatives with the disease are hoping to find a means of preventing memory loss before (or if) there's an actual onset of the disease.

I made a point of noting the term "or if" in the foregoing because it's important to understand that researchers aren't sure why the disease

appears to run in some families. It may be genetic. But it may also be a matter of shared lifestyles. For example, there's some evidence that saturated dietary fats may be linked to the plaques that develop in the brains of Alzheimer's patients. If members of a family eat the same types of high-fat diets, that factor could play a significant role in why we see a high incidence of Alzheimer's in some families.

The government is concerned with reducing the high costs of Medicare in treating the symptoms of dementia. Slowing the onset of mental disabilities could help keep those costs from soaring as more people develop the condition.

In the meantime, there's been some positive feedback from the research into the use of essential fatty acids (Omega 3s) found in fish oils (the food, not the supplements) to help with memory loss. We're also seeing more evidence that using the

brain keeps the memory pirates at bay. So, until the researchers can come up with some pharmaceutical miracles, it's a good idea for all of us to take our own preventive measures by eating the right foods and exercising both our bodies and our brains.

Write to Matilda Charles in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mails to letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

St. John Health System offers free breast exams

In honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, St. John Health is offering free clinical breast exams and other cancer prevention exams at several sites, including St. John Hospital and Medical Center's Van Elslander Cancer Center in Grosse Pointe Woods (located behind the hospital at Mack and Moross).

Free exams will be offered from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 15 and 16.

A nurse from the center's Liggett Breast Center will also be on hand to teach participants proper breast self-examination techniques.

Results of the screening can be sent to each person's own physician for follow-up. There will be no mammograms given during these exams, but the physicians will address questions about

breast cancer. To register, call (888) 757-5463 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Because the cause of breast cancer is unknown, early detection and treatment offer the best chance for a cure.

Breast cancer usually does not cause symptoms in the early stages; so it is important to have screening tests to find the cancer before symptoms appear.

It is recommended that women between the ages of 20 and 39 have a clinical breast examination by a health professional every three years.

After age 40, women should have a breast exam by a health care professional and a mammogram every year. Women age 20 or older should perform a self-examination every month.

2002 spending by Michigan boaters reaches \$2.24 billion

A study by the Recreational Marine Research Center at Michigan State University (MSU) substantiates that boating is a popular recreational activity and a major contributor to economic activity in Michigan.

Boater spending on trips and their craft is important to many communities throughout the state.

The study confirms "boating means business" in Michigan.

In 2002, approximately 1.1 million watercraft were registered in Michigan and over 3 million Michigan residents participated in recreational boating activities.

It is estimated that registered boat owners logged more than 22 million boating days in 2002.

Spending by recreational boaters in 2002 is estimated to be \$2.24 billion, including \$880 million in boat sales, \$502 million in annual craft spending, and \$860 million on boating trips. This spending generated \$636 million in income to business owners and employees and produced a total of 24,000 Michigan jobs. Spending by registered boaters provides significant revenues and income to thousands of boating, hospitality, and retail businesses throughout the state.

According to Dr. Edward Mahoney, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at MSU, who headed the research project, these estimates are conservative because it does not include spending by owners of an estimated 300,000 nonregistered Michigan

watercraft or spending associated with boats registered out-of-state and used in Michigan waters.

The report further states:

- Of the \$880 million in sales, \$588 million was in new watercraft, engine and trailer sales made by boat dealers; \$287 million in previously owned watercraft sales (\$122 million through dealers and \$165 million through brokers and private party sales); and \$5 million in new trailer sales by dealers.

- The \$502 million in craft expenditures includes spending on equipment, accessories, marina slip rentals, transient slip rentals, repairs and maintenance, launch and haul-out, insurance, and off-season storage; \$156 million was craft-related spending for boats kept at marinas, \$122 million for boats kept at waterfront primary homes, \$76 million for waterfront seasonal homes and \$148 million for those kept at non-waterfront homes.

- The average registered boat owner spent a total of \$1,073 on boating trips in 2002. Approximately 801,000 Michigan registered boats were active in 2002. The average registered boat was operated 28 days in 2002.

A boating day is any day or part of a day during which a boat is operated under power or sail. An average of 20 of these boating days took place on day trips. The remaining nine boating days occurred on overnight trips. Boaters spent an average of \$25 per trip on day trips and \$66 per day on overnight trips.

How to stop identity theft

About 700,000 Americans have their identities stolen each year, ruining their credit and often costing thousands of dollars to fix. Now American Express has joined the Federal Trade Commission to issue a free brochure with tips on how to avoid identity theft.

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SOC plans activities for seniors

Services for Older Citizens Programs include:

- Aerobic Exercise for Seniors, 10-10:45 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Free.
- Preserving Your Memories, 11:15 a.m., Monday, Sept. 22. Free.
- Financial Solutions, 11:15 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 24. Free.

- Waltonwood of Canton, 10:30 a.m.-4:40 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 25. \$10.
- Alternative Health Care, 11:15 a.m., Monday, Sept. 29. Free.

For more information or to register, call Services for Older Citizens' Neighborhood Club offices, 17150 Waterloo. (313) 882-9600.

AARP meets Monday, Sept. 22

Chapter No. 2151 of American Association of Retired Persons will meet at

Build wealth

Building wealth doesn't mean winning the lottery. Most folks get there the old fashioned way: They save. It's not glamorous, but it is important. The Consumer Federation of America and Bank of America now are offering a free brochure with five key saving strategies. You also can fill out a form or go online to join the new American Savers program. You'll get a monthly newsletter and fact sheets on different ways to save.

To get your free brochure, free bonus publications, and a free Consumer Information Catalog listing more than 200 valuable federal publications, call toll-free at (888) 878-3256 and ask for department 81.

1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Sharon Maier, executive director of Services for Older Citizens will be the speaker. Her topic is "What is SOC?"

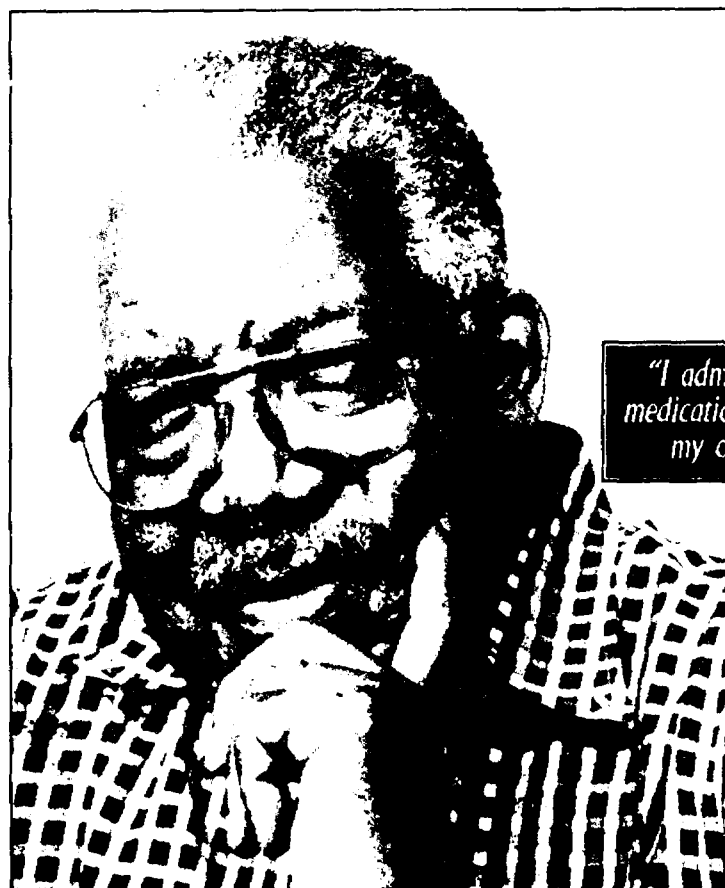
Refreshments will be served and guests and potential new members are invited.

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Senior Men to meet at GPWM

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September is prostate cancer awareness month

September is prostate cancer awareness month. Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer found in American men other than skin cancer. The American Cancer Society estimates that there will be 220,900 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States this year and 28,900 men will die from the disease.

Fortunately, the death rate for prostate cancer is going down, and early detection is on the rise.

Dr. Timothy Wilson, director of urology at City of Hope Cancer Center in Los Angeles, emphasizes that prevention and early detection can reduce the risk of prostate cancer and improve

treatment outcomes for those who are diagnosed with the disease.

"The exact cause of prostate cancer is unknown, but risk of its development is associated with age, family history, race, environmental exposure and certain nutritional deficiencies," says Dr. Wilson. "Prostate cancer is often called a 'silent disease' because it frequently develops without obvious symptoms."

When symptoms are present, they may include some of the following:

- A weak flow of urine
- Frequent or painful urination
- Blood in the urine or semen
- Pain in the lower back,

pelvis or upper thighs

Wilson recommends that all men over the age of 50 visit their physician for a yearly exam. This exam should include:

- A discussion about risk factors and possible symptoms
- A digital rectal examination (DRE) to detect irregularities of the prostate
- A prostate specific antigen (PSA) blood test

Men who are at high risk for prostate cancer — especially African Americans or men who have close family members with prostate cancer — should consider beginning these tests at an earlier age.

Prevention is the best way

to reduce the risk of prostate cancer. Men should take proactive measures to live free of the disease. Wilson suggests the following:

- Eat a balanced diet, high in fruits and vegetables and low in fat
- Watch your weight and exercise daily
- Limit alcohol consumption
- Know the risk factors and be aware of changes in your body
- See a physician for a yearly exam

For more information about prostate cancer research and treatment at City of Hope Cancer Center, call (800) 826-HOPE or visit www.cityofhope.org.

Rate of colon cancer is high for Michiganders

By Dr. Farid Fata
Special Writer

Colon cancer is the fourth most common cancer in the United States. But according to the State of Michigan Cancer Registry, the occurrence of colon cancer in Michigan residents is almost as high as breast and lung cancer, which are the most common in our state.

Michigan residents are not alone. The incidence of colon and rectal cancer is almost epidemic throughout the nation and in other westernized countries, including Canada and some European nations.

One disturbing fact is that only 5 to 10 percent of newly diagnosed colon cancers are hereditary. The other 90 percent occur sporadically. This underscores the importance of regular screening to catch the disease in its earliest, most curable stages. Researchers are uncertain why sporadic colon cancer is so prevalent, but it is believed that this type of cancer is lifestyle related.

Symptoms may mean cancer is advanced

Colon cancer is one of the many "silent" diseases that give no early warning of their presence. Some typical signs and symptoms of colon cancer include changes in bowel habits and consistency, such as alternating constipation and diarrhea, abdominal pain, decreased appetite, unintentional weight loss, rectal bleeding and chronic anemia.

Question is not whether to screen but when

After age 50, everyone should be screened for colon and rectal cancer or polyps. Initial screening may be recommended at an earlier age for individuals with a family history of colon cancer and those with a personal history of inflammatory bowel disease, a history of benign colon polyps and possibly those with a high-fat, low-fiber diet. The need for early screening remains controversial for persons whose only risk factor is a high-fat, low-fiber diet.

Common screening tests

There are several different tests to screen for colon and rectal cancer that vary in their invasive nature depending on the patient's age and risk factors. Your physician will determine which screening test is best for you.

Digital rectal exam involves the insertion of a gloved finger into the rectum to identify tumors or traces of blood at the time of the exam.

Fecal occult blood testing identifies blood in the stool and can be done at home and sent to a lab or doctor's office for testing.

Flexible sigmoidoscopy involves insertion of a thin, flexible tube into the rectum to visualize up to 60 cm into the colon.

Colonoscopy uses an instrument similar to the sigmoidoscope, but it reaches to the end of the colon. During colonoscopy, a physician can inspect the colon, biopsy suspicious lesions and even remove entire polyps. Even if a polyp is benign, it has the potential to become cancerous in time.

If a diagnosis of colon cancer is made, it is then determined in what stage the disease is. Stage I is the earliest, most treatable and Stage IV is often incurable if it has spread to other parts of the body.

Cure rates improving with research

Thanks to continuing research, today's improved cancer-fighting drugs, advanced surgical techniques and tumor-fighting radiation therapy, the cure rates for people with even advanced colon cancer have improved.

A person with Stage I colon cancer has a 90 percent cure rate with surgery alone. Those with Stage II disease have a 65 to 70 percent cure rate with surgery and/or postoperative chemotherapy, when needed, while patients with Stage III disease who also have lymph node involvement, have approximately a 65 percent cure rate with surgery followed by chemotherapy.

Stage IV colon cancer often is incurable, depending on the site of metastasis (spread). However, if it spreads only to the liver, as many as one-third of patients may be cured with surgery followed by chemotherapy.

New immunotherapy treatment methods are now available through the National Cancer Institute's research protocols. The goal of these research protocols is to devise new treatments and improve patient outcomes by sharing the information of enrolled patients using national databases.

Screening is best prevention

The best way to prevent colon cancer is to follow your physician's screening recommendations. The only way you can do this is if you have regular physical examinations with an internist or family practitioner.

It is during these visits that your physician can determine the appropriate screening tests based on your lifestyle risks and family history.

Also, the daily aspirin regimen that many people follow to help prevent heart disease may reduce the incidence of colon polyps. Two national and international colorectal cancer prevention studies published this year in the New England Journal of Medicine have shown that daily use of aspirin can reduce the incidence of colorectal polyps.

Additional research is needed to determine whether this regimen also reduces the incidence of cancer. Always check with your physician before taking any aspirin products.

Dr. Fata is a Bon Secours Cottage cancer specialist with Macomb Hematology and Oncology. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

Ovarian cancer is still the deadliest of the gynecological cancers and is often thought of as a silent killer, even in the medical community. However, women who are aware of this cancer's symptoms and discover the disease early can fight and defeat this covert enemy.

According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 25,400 American women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2003, and 14,300 are expected to die from the disease.

The five-year survival rate for patients whose disease is detected in late stages is only 25 percent; yet if diagnosed before the cancer has spread outside the ovaries, a woman's chance for five-year survival rises to 90 percent.

Therefore, early recognition of symptoms and early diagnosis can significantly increase the patient's survival rate.

"It is imperative for women to be aware of the risk factors for ovarian cancer," said Dr. Afshin Bahador, director of Gynecological Oncology at City of Hope Cancer Center in Los Angeles, Calif. "Women over the age of 50, those with a personal or family history of ovarian, breast, colon or uterine cancer and women who have not had children have an increased risk of the disease."

Right now, ovarian cancer does not have a reliable screening tool; so paying attention to changes in one's own body can lead to the early diagnosis that is crucial for successful treatment.

Symptoms:

- Abdominal pressure, bloating or discomfort
- Constipation, diarrhea or frequent urination

- Nausea, indigestion or gas
- Abnormal vaginal bleeding
- Unusual fatigue or backaches
- Unexplained weight loss or gain
- Shortness of breath.

If these symptoms are unusual and persist for more than two weeks, women are advised to see a doctor. To aid diagnosis, Bahador suggests combining a pelvic/rectal exam with a CA 125 blood test and a

transvaginal sonogram. Also, treatment by a gynecologic oncologist, an obstetrician/gynecologist who specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of women with cancer of the reproductive organs, has been shown to increase survival significantly.

For more information about ovarian cancer, contact the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance at (202) 331-1332 or visit www.ovariancancer.org.

Business ethics is topic of talk


The Lay Theological Academy is offering "Business Ethics — What is Being Taught?" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, in the Canfield Center of St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$5.

Anne Kennedy, the presenter, is vice president and director of portfolio management at Munder Capital

Management.


The Lay Theological Academy is a coalition of 13 local churches and institutions to provide ecumenical education opportunities to adults. Classes are offered about once a month throughout the school year.

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by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



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Because severity of the condition varies widely, it is best to consult a physician to determine the best course of treatment. For example, some patients with limited disease may elect not to treat the condition, while a patient with generalized Erythrodermic psoriasis may actually require hospitalization.

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Congressmen push for better access to treatment of addicts

U.S. Rep. Jim Ramstad, a Republican from Minnesota, knows firsthand the power of alcoholism and drug addiction. He is a grateful recovering alcoholic, sober for the past 22 years, who is very passionate when speaking about a disease that could have cost him his life. He counts himself among the lucky ones who got the treatment and help he needed.

But millions of people are not getting the treatment required to arrest the chronic disease of alcoholism, he says. That's why he, along with U.S. Sen. Norm Coleman of Minnesota, are co-sponsors of a new substance abuse treatment parity bill called the HEART Act — Help Expand Access to Recovery and Treatment. They introduced the bill to Congress

in late May.

"This is literally a life-or-death issue for 16 million Americans who are chemically dependent, covered by insurance, but unable to access adequate treatment," Ramstad said.

If enacted, the HEART Act would improve consumer access to addiction treatment by reducing discriminatory limits on coverage in private health insur-

ance plans. It would provide parity in addiction treatment benefits, meaning a group health plan could not impose discriminatory annual/lifetime dollar limits, copays and deductibles, or day and visit limits unless similar limitations or requirements are imposed for other medical and surgical benefits.

Addiction to alcohol and other drugs is responsible for killing 150,000 people a year, costs \$246 billion a year in health care costs and lost productivity, and is America's No. 1 health problem, Ramstad said.

Premiums for health insurance to cover addiction would increase by less than one half of one percent, he added, "And I can show you 20 studies that document that treatment works and is cost-effective."

"Congress must get real about the problem of addiction in America," Ramstad continued. "It's long past time to address the No. 1 public health problem facing our nation — problem of chemical addiction."

Coleman replaces the late Sen. Paul Wellstone as a sponsor of this legislation and is the first Republican U.S. senator to champion substance abuse parity. Ramstad and Wellstone had teamed in a push for parity for seven years before Wellstone was killed in a plane crash on Oct. 25, 2002. Ramstad and Coleman rallied support for the bill at a news conference in St. Paul on May 29.

"It feels good to be a part of this team," Coleman said. "I'm proud to stand in the shadow of Paul Wellstone

on this important legislation."

Coleman pledged to work hard to pass the legislation, saying that the bill is a matter of "fundamental fairness, of ending discrimination and unleashing a wealth of opportunity."

He called addiction an issue everyone has a stake in — a health issue, a social-justice issue, an economic issue, a community-building issue.

And it is a personal issue, he added. "I don't know if any family members can say they don't have a family member or loved one who hasn't been saved or lost to this disease."

Added Coleman: "Minnesota gets it. We've led the way; we're the birthplace of effective models of care. The fact is treatment works and saves lives."

William C. Moyers, vice president of External Affairs at Hazelden, counts himself among the fortunate ones. He got treatment and has been sober since 1994.

"We are the lucky ones, the ones who got well," Moyers said at the news conference. "And it is our responsibility to change the terms of the debate. We're not doing this for Hazelden, for other treatment centers, or for those of us in recovery."

"We push forward for those out there still suffering. It is you who must get behind this legislation — the treatment centers, people in recovery — who advocate for this cause. We must rally around this legislation. We must carry the message to people in our

community."

Despite an uphill battle for parity during the last seven years, Ramstad feels the chances for passage are improving.

"First of all, we have a president who gets it," he said. "President Bush has allocated \$600 million more to treatment than has been spent in the past. And this president already supports mental health parity, and we believe the two — mental health and addiction — are intertwined."

Coleman added that a mental health parity bill, with bipartisan leadership, is primed for passage. "Once we get mental health parity passed, addiction should follow."

Ramstad said a friend of his recently pointed out that the Civil Rights Act was proposed in 1944 and didn't become law until 1964. "Let's hope it doesn't take 20 years to end discrimination against people with addiction. We must persevere; we must redouble our efforts. It's not going to happen without a concentrated, national effort."

This health column offers information needed to help prevent substance abuse problems and address such problems. It is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., which offers a wide range of information and treatment services on addiction.

For more resources, call Hazelden at (800) 257-7800 or check its Web site at www.hazelden.org. Direct your inquiries to mduda@hazelden.org.

Chinese healing art teaches how to use energy for health

For more than 5,000 years, simple self-help techniques have been applied in the Chinese healing art of Chi Gong (CHEE-Kong). Simply stated, it is using our energy and effort to accomplish the goal of health.

Michael Bolus, Chi Gong master instructor at the Valade Healing Arts Center in the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Grosse Pointe Woods, believes through daily practice of the techniques, we become aware internally of what makes us healthy. Through this awareness, the power of choice becomes our guide to good health.

The word "Chi" translates as the energy in and around us that creates life. Air is one example.

"Gong" refers to time and effort toward accomplishing a goal.

Chi Gong was discovered in ordinary people, doing ordinary things that just happened to keep them healthy. Doctors of ancient China documented healthy people over a period of 5,000 years. This study became a practice of slow motion movement and breathing that allows one to go through life with effortless health. An analogy in our culture would be the same as washing our hands before eating a meal so that we will stay healthy. Chi Gong principles are simple, yet effective, Bolus said.

Anyone can practice Chi Gong. There is no special preparation to learning. The healing art's slow motion nature appeals to adults, but not all children.

Chi Gong is gentle and simple and practiced in a happy and relaxed manner. Practice is found to create a lasting calm. While establishing health in the body, it also balances the emotions. Daily practice strengthens the immune system and reverses the effects of injury and illness. Practice slows down the process of aging and senility. It protects health professionals from their clients' associated stress and illness. With daily practice, the benefits improve for the rest of one's life, Bolus added.

Chi Gong stands out as a time-tested common-sense approach to maintaining and cultivating good health, but it is not a miracle cure.

Bolus said that long-term practice may offer full benefit to about 70 percent of the people. Twenty percent may receive partial benefit, while about 5 percent receive no benefit at all. He believes that because it is so gentle, and it is applied within the person's own ability, it is always worth a try.

A typical class starts with an introduction to Chi Gong and a question and answer period. Next is a set of 12 standing stationary postures (sitting optional) that allows the hands to move in slow motion. Gentle self-massage sitting in a regular chair follows. A daily routine of 16 minutes is the recommendation.

Bolus knows first-hand the benefits possible through Chi Gong. After being run down by a semi-truck while bicycling in 1973, he suffered chronic crippling pain. Inspired by an article written by Effie Chow, Ph.D., a proponent of medical Chi Gong outside of

China, he began his studies in 1989 to overcome his serious personal injury.

"Successful in my practice, I am now pain free and dedicated to the study and teaching of Chi Gong to promote its benefits to others," he said.

After his recovery in 1991, several friends requested that he teach them. Eager to receive the benefits they saw in Bolus, their enthusiasm spread to family and friends. He has been teaching ever since.

His studies with 26 Chi Gong masters and doctors in the United States, Canada and China have given him a well-rounded approach to teaching. His understanding of the subject allows him to teach in plain English. It is not necessary to know Chinese to practice Chi Gong.

What have students said about the class? Some comments:

"Six weeks of practice has cleared my depression. My doctor has taken me off medication."

"My shoulder has hurt for years. After three months of practice, it moves as freely as it used to."

"I am sleeping better now than I have for a long time. No more late night trips to the bathroom."


"My practice is paying off at work. The stress is not affecting me the way it used to."

Three-week class sessions are offered monthly at the Valade Healing Arts Center. A free lecture and demonstrations are held one Saturday a month. For more, call (313) 647-3320.

The Valade Healing Arts Center is located on the third floor of the Van Elslander Cancer Center, behind St. John Hospital and Medical Center at 19229 Mack and Moross.

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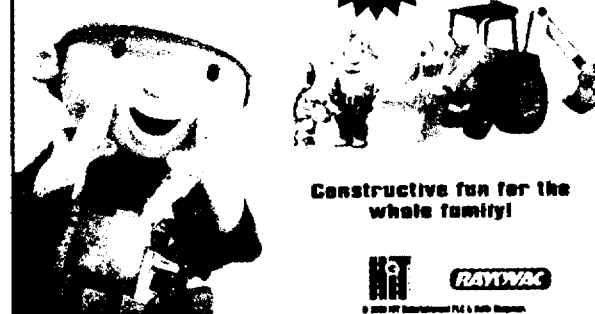
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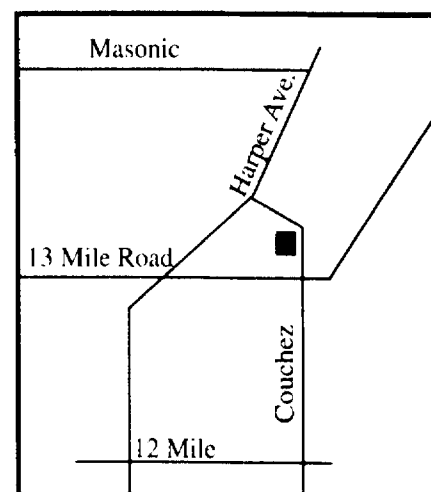
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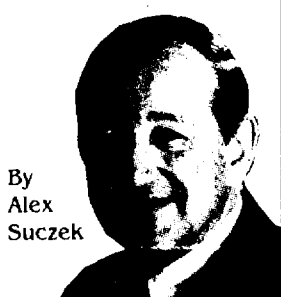
DSO remembers 9/11 victims with Verdi's Requiem

Commemorating the second anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy with a performance of the Verdi Requiem at the season's opening concerts last weekend, Music Director Neeme Järvi and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra provided a deeply moving expression of sorrow and a sense of closure to our nation's grieving. Yet this supremely dramatic work seemed also to rekindle the burning anguish of the event.

The text, sung expressively and with remarkable clarity, follows closely the Church's Mass for the dead. It pleads for eternal rest, prays for merciful escape from the fires of damnation and looks forward to resurrection on the day of judgment when "divine wrath will consume the rest of the world in ashes."

But vivid memories of the 9/11 victims consumed by fire and the reduction of the towers to a heap of ashes in an act of vicious judgment by terrorists expressing their own beliefs, rise in the imagination like ghastly distortions of the Requiem.

State of the Arts



By
Alex
Suczek

The impact of a powerful performance drove the message home.

It is not surprising that this work could make such an impression, especially in this high-quality performance. Verdi has concentrated the best and most stirring of his musical techniques in the Requiem. It is a work that he composed out of deep feeling for an Italian poet and patriot whom he idolized. There is an overwhelming operatic quality and it was richly expressed by the remarkable assembly of talent.

"Grant them eternal rest..." the four soloists sang as a quartet following the cellos' opening. Thinking of

the nearly 3,000 people in the twin towers, we breathed, "Amen." It was a soothing expression of the peace of eternal rest, and a prayer for compassion beautifully blended by the four soloists and echoed by the University of Michigan's Choral Union.

Then the orchestra, led by the brass section, roared, and the chorus shouted their statement of "This day of Wrath shall consume the world in ashes." The effect was overwhelming.

As thrilling as the most turbulent moment in all of Verdi's operas, it was music that penetrates to the marrow.

Solos that followed moved forward with the liturgy. Bass Kristinn Sigmundsson delivered the Tuba mirum in trumpet-like tones describing the anticipated call when all creation shall rise again. Mezzo-soprano Nancy Maultsby made an exquisite performance of the promise of judgment, followed by a gorgeous duet with tenor Vinson Cole.

Their voices blended divinely in the appeal for redemption.

In scoring the work, Verdi alternated combinations of voices with superb effect. The Recordare, a recollection of Jesus' mission of salvation, is a duet where soprano Christine Brewer joined Maultsby in a soaring musical expression of faith and hope.

For the Ingenisco, where the sinner begs forgiveness, Cole gave a tenor solo of particularly touching sensitivity followed by the bass in a brooding warning of the searing flames and a thunderous recap of the "Wrath of God."

The composer's unerring sense of dramatic contrast is nowhere more evident than in this remarkable work. Without sets or costumes, he achieves the suspense and excitement of his greatest operas. The "Day of Tears" (Lacrimosa) following the unnerving "Wrath" was sung and played tenderly and with heart-rending beauty by the entire, huge ensemble. One of its most beautiful moments was provided in the offering of sacrifices and

prayers to save souls. It was sung by the four soloists in a quartet of surpassing beauty, concluding with a cascading phrase that rang out like music of the spheres.

With remarkable artistry, Verdi has endowed this dramatic work with power to move its listeners from fear to hope and from outrage to retribution. In this performance, there seemed little that the performers did not fulfill. The "Lamb of God" section by sopranos and chorus and "the Eternal Light" by mezzo, tenor and bass were filled with faith and hope, and sublimely reassuring. Yet the concluding "Deliver me, O Lord," still reminded us of the trials and risks that we face in life and death.

It was soprano Brewer who expressed the final longing for relief with a deeply moving monotone chant asking eternal rest and "let perpetual light shine upon them."

Hearing this Requiem as a memorial to our national tragedy brought an exceptional perspective to the

experience and illustrated dramatically the capacity of a great work of art to illuminate the significance of life.

We were especially blessed, of course, with a performance of outstanding virtuosity and power. It was a concert of rare distinction that demonstrates the remarkable qualities of Järvi's artistic insight and leadership.

Concerts continue at the Detroit Opera House this week with selections from "Phantom of the Opera," directed by Erich Kunzel. The classical series resumes at the Opera House on Thursday, Sept. 25.

Maestro Järvi will conduct music by Berlioz, Richard Strauss, Saint-Saens and Tchaikovsky.

Thereafter, performances will be back at the newly refurbished Orchestra Hall and the "Max" (Max M. Fisher Music Center).

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Bon Secours Cottage also offers Diabetic FITness, a low-impact, personalized exercise class that incorporates the special needs of individuals living with diabetes. The program includes blood pressure monitoring, individualized exercise segments and resistance work. It is offered from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through Oct. 25; and again from Oct. 27 through Dec. 13 (no classes Nov. 27 and 28) in the Bon

Brae Center Gym, 22300 Bon Brae in St. Clair Shores.

The cost is \$53 a person. Although participants may join at any time, a physician consent form must be submitted before the start of the class.

To preregister for the support group or to request a physician consent form and Diabetic FITness class registration form, call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

Young readers can trade used books for new ones

As part of its ongoing effort to encourage reading by children, the Grosse Pointe Public Library is hosting a kids' book swap from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library central branch, located at 10 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Starting on Tuesday, Sept. 2, kids can bring in used books to any branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library and register for the event. For each used book a child brings in, he or she exchanges it for a "book

buck," which can be used on Sept. 24 to select a "new" used book. The event will also give young readers a chance to share their favorites with other children.

"The kids' book swap is a great opportunity to keep children engaged in reading," said Vickie Bloom, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, "because it offers a way for kids to recycle reading materials while also choosing their own new and exciting finds."

Mom-to-Mom sale will be Saturday, Oct. 4

The Beacon Parent Organization will hold a Mom-to-Mom Sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at Harper Woods High School, 20225 Beaconsfield, in Harper Woods.

At least 60 tables of children's clothing and materni-

ty clothes, books, toys, games, strollers, cribs, high chairs and more will be available.

Admission is \$1. Eight-foot tables are available to rent for a \$15 charge. After Wednesday, Sept. 24, tables will be \$18.

Rack space is available for \$3. You must supply your own rack. Ten percent of the selling price in the big ticket area goes to the organization. To rent a table or get more information, call Denise Rogers at (313) 882-3297.

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10:00 am Who's in the Kitchen?
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10:30 am Things to do at the War Memorial
Guest: Richard & Midge Kinder - Minfulness: Managing stress and Dianne Michele, Ph.D. - Do you need Stress Management?
LouAnne Wattrick and Emmett Hynous Co-host an informative look at what's happening at the War Memorial
Repeated: 7:30 PM, 1:30 AM

11:00 am Musical Story Time Jamboree
Miss Paula, the Merry Music Maker and Miss ReadAbook, offer a half-hour of stories and music for children
Repeated: 6:30 AM

11:30 am Out of the Ordinary
Guest: Marchello - Famous Charts
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12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit
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Repeated: 3 AM

1:00 pm Watercolor Workshop
Topic: Street Front
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Explore the artist's creative process and medium with host Robert Maniscalco
Repeated: 10:30 PM, 4:30 AM

2:00 pm The Legal Insider
Guest: Robert W. Warren - Debt Collection
Host attorneys, David Draper and Douglas Dempsey, take an inside look at current legal issues
Repeated: 6 PM, 5 AM

2:30 pm The John Prost Show
Guest: Beth Chappell - Economic Club of Detroit
Timely topics are discussed with Detroit and Grosse Pointe guests by long time host John Prost
Repeated: 10 PM, 5:30 AM

3:00 pm Things to do at the War Memorial
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A half-hour of step or kick boxing exercise
Repeated: 9 PM, 7 AM
7 PM TONE EXERCISE Repeated: 2 AM, 6 AM

4:30 pm Young View Pointes
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Washed in the blood of the lamb

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

On July 24, 1984, Ron and Dan Lafferty went to their brother Allen's house and slaughtered his wife and baby daughter. They blamed God.

How can you explain why conservative, righteous, church-going men kill an innocent woman and her child because God told them to?

It seems God sent his instructions through Ron's computer, sometimes one word at a time, sometimes in phrases. Ron would print them sometimes and other times commit them to memory and write them down later. He had some 20 "revelations." The "removal revelation" ordering Ron to kill four people (he blamed for his wife leaving with the children), he wrote out by hand. According to the brothers, God only e-mailed Ron, but Dan believed the "revelation" and went by signs along their bloody path.

According to Police Chief Randy Johnson, "Ron had a handwritten revelation which told him to commit this crime. If this document does exist, it is a vital piece of evidence and we would like to see it."

Between April and July, they talked over the revelation with their brothers, other members of their discussion group (the School of the Prophets), and Ron's friend Becky at Lafferty's mother's house. Allen disagreed with the revelation because he hadn't received it but, like the others, he didn't warn his wife.

On the eve of the murder, Ron and Dan talked it over at their mother's din-



The Book Return

ing room table with two fellows who came along for the ride, then skipped town when the blood was real.

Obviously this has to be some weird new cult on drugs. Or maybe it was some strange sect of terrorists who treat women and children as property.

Nope. Sorry to disappoint you, but this crime was committed by conservative God-fearing Americans in the heart of our country.

The Laffertys were Fundamentalist Mormons. The Latter-day Saints would be quick to tell you that fundamentalists are not part of the church. They're told to leave because they hold with Joseph Smith's principle of polygamy.

John Krakauer, author of the unforgettable "Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mount Everest Tragedy," has tackled an enormous subject. His current book, "Under the Banner of Heaven: A Story of Violent Faith," tells this true crime story in context of violent religious extremism, focusing on Fundamentalist Mormons (FLDS).

His problem is about the same as the one Wallace Stegner describes for fiction writers: "It is almost impossible to write fiction about the Mormons, for the reasons that Mormon institutions and Mormon

society are so peculiar that they call for constant explanation." It becomes even more difficult if you're dealing with a breakaway sect like the Fundamentalist Mormons.

In order to get perspective on the Laffertys' zealotry, Krakauer goes back to the violent origins of Mormonism, reminding us at the same time not to be smug. We had our Crusades, the Inquisition and witch burning. Much contemporary religious violence is caused by small extremist segments of larger communities.

Alternating chapters on the Lafferty rampage with chapters on Joseph Smith's teaching, Krakauer treats Smith with more respect than many have.

It does seem convenient for a man to start a stringent religion that allows very little leeway, and then (because the religion states firmly prostitution is wrong) say God approves, no, orders that men practice polygamy.

Joseph Smith at age 38 had about 40 wives. He also taught that God speaks directly to true believers, which eventually caused trouble for organized LDS leaders.

But the Mormons' practice of sticking to their own, voting in a bloc, making business deals only with other Mormons, got them run out of town violently in a lot of communi-

ties. New religions frighten established communities. Look at early Christianity.

They moved on against extreme odds, fortified by their faith and eventually settled in Utah. But their mistreatment had not taught them tolerance. They believed it was OK to lie to "gentiles" (anyone who wasn't a Mormon, which makes the Jews gentiles) including the United States government.

So when a major wagon train massacre happened in Utah, local peaceable Indians were blamed. The same thing happened when three of John Wesley Powell's exploratory scouts were killed, no questions asked.

Krakauer backs his research with limited footnotes and an extensive bibliography but there are no photos or graphics.

He left out Simon Worrall's reportorial "The Poet and the Madman," about forger and murderer Mark Hofmann who was Ron Lafferty's cellmate. Worrall's Mormon history was largely unsupported by sources.

Krakauer's compulsive fairness makes this one slower going than his straight-line adventures. Overall, it's a powerful book but don't expect to whip through it. I can't in this space cover the half of it.

Stegner was right. True crime is as hard to tackle as fiction when it's faith-based and a microcosm of our current international terror.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us.

St. John Hospital offers free hearing screenings

In recognition of National Deaf Awareness Week (Sept. 21-27), St. John Hospital and Medical Center's Department of Audiology will offer free hearing screenings the following four weeks during October.

The department is located in St. John Professional Building One, 22101 Moross at Mack, Suite 223.

Screenings will take place Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Appointment times are limited. To schedule an appointment, call (313) 343-4436 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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The Holley Ear Institute shares a close relationship with St. John Hospital and Medical Center. The mission of the Institute is to assist the deaf and hard of hearing and provide services and programs aimed at improving their quality of life.

Programs for families with at least one deaf member, including deaf persons who are blind, autistic or who have multiple handicaps, are offered at the Family Village in the Irish Hills. The Institute also offers American Sign Language classes, deaf advocacy and a resource center. The Holley Ear Institute can be reached by calling (313) 343-3165.

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September 18, 2003

Norsemen bounce back with impressive win over Huskies

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's football team is 2-1, the same record the Norsemen had a year ago after three games, but coach Frank Sumner feels better going into his fourth game than he did in 2002.

"It's the same record we had last year, but I feel better about being 2-1 this year," Sumner said after

North's 21-6 victory over Port Huron Northern in a Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

"I thought we bounced back strong after losing to Ford last week. The whole team seemed to play better this week. Northern is 0-3, but they hung with Eisenhower and Dakota in their first two games."

The Huskies hung with those two MAC Red powers

better than they did with North, which built a 21-0 halftime lead.

The Norsemen opened the scoring with an eight-play, 70-yard drive that was capped by a 13-yard touchdown run by Andrew Shanley.

Quarterback Josh Lewis, who completed his first five passes, hit Steve Cornille for an 11-yard gain on third down to keep the drive

going. Shanley also had a 16-yard run and Cam Cecchini had a 12-yard gain.

Brian St. Hilaire kicked the first of his three extra points.

North's next score was set up by Ryan Stephens' fumble recovery at the North 41. Cecchini scored on a three-yard run.

Lewis hit St. Hilaire with a 29-yard pass and the Norsemen had eight-yard runs from Lewis, Cecchini and Zach Matthews.

North completed its scoring late in the first half on a

short run by Lewis. It was set up by a 30-yard run by Shanley and an eight-yard completion to Cornille.

The Norsemen continued to march up and down the field in the second half, but they were unable to add to their lead. North had its second unit in the game for most of the fourth quarter.

Northern scored on a short run by quarterback Jordan McKelvey with 3 1/2 minutes left in the game after a 37-yard pass from McKelvey to Adrian Green.

North safety Anthony

Jantz put his name in the school's record book with four interceptions, tying the mark set by David Graham, who had four in 1973 against Lakeview.

Don Thill and Spencer Channell each had six tackles, while Chad Beskange, Chris Court, Steve Schrage, Richard Weiss and David Sheill had four apiece.

Cecchini and Shanley both went over the 100-yard mark in rushing. Cecchini had 108 yards in 20 carries,

See NORTH, page 3C

South rallies to beat Big Reds

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's defense bent but it didn't break in the Blue Devils' 25-22 victory over Port Huron last week.

The Big Reds had 556 yards in total offense, including 403 passing, but they got into the end zone only three times as South evened its record in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division at 1-1.

"They got most of their yardage between the 20s," said South coach Mike McLeod. "Port Huron has a great offensive team. They have seven Division I athletes on that team."

"I'm happy with the way we kept them out of the end zone. And I'm happy with the way we kept coming back. Our senior leadership keeps getting better all the time."

South had four intercep-

tions — two by Mackenzie Brookes and one apiece by Zach Hacias and Ben Jenzen. The Blue Devils' secondary also knocked down four passes.

Jenzen had a big night for South. He scored a second-quarter touchdown on a six-yard pass from Derrick Hacias, returned an interception 80 yards for a score in the third quarter, and

See SOUTH, page 3C

Local PPK competition on Sunday

The Grosse Pointe Farms Parks and Recreation Department and the Grosse Pointe Red Barons youth football organization are teaming up to host an NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick program on Sunday, Sept. 21.

The free competition will be held at the Grosse Pointe South football field and is open to boys and girls ages 8 through 15.

Pre-registration continues through today, Sept. 17. Registration forms can be

picked up at the Farms Pier Park front gate weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; at the Pointe After, 19005 Mack, on Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and at the Kerby fieldhouse during Red Barons practices from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Registration will also be accepted on Sunday, Sept. 21 from 9:30 to 10 a.m. at the South field. All competitions start at 10 a.m.

Participants will be put

into four age groups — 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15 — as of Dec. 31, 2003.

One winner from each of the boys and girls four age groups will advance to a sectional competition. The top five first-place scorers from the pool of sectional champions will advance to the team championships which will be held in NFL stadiums in November and December.

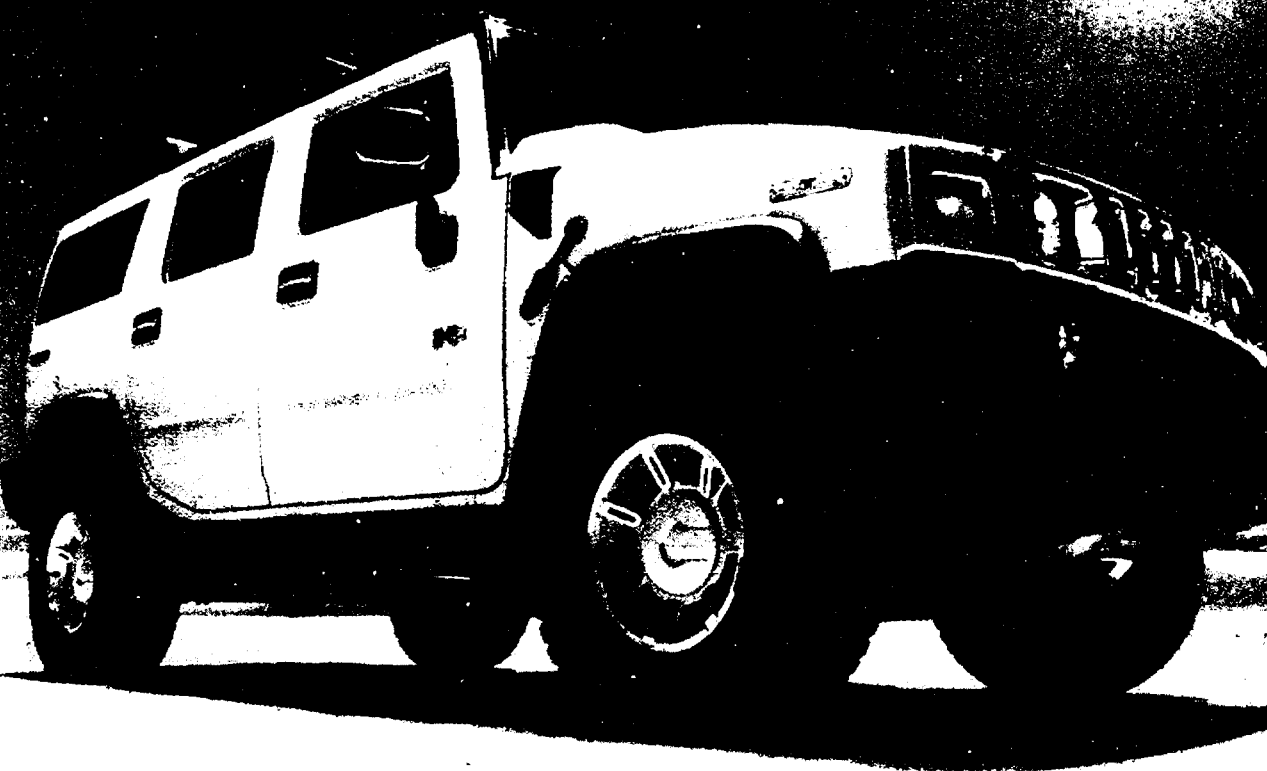
For more information, contact the Farms Parks and Recreation Department at (313) 343-2405.



Devils' domination

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team took six of the top seven places and had a record score of 20 points in winning last weekend's De La Salle Invitational. See story Page 3C.

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South falls short against Mercy five

Most years, a three-point loss to Farmington Hills Mercy would have left Grosse Pointe South girls basketball coach Peggy Van Eckoute feeling good about her team.

Not this year, however. Van Eckoute was disappointed with the Blue Devils' 38-35 loss to the Marlins in a non-league game.

"We didn't play with the same enthusiasm and intensity that we had against (Grosse Pointe) North," she said. "When you play your best and lost by three points to a team that's better than you are, you feel good about it, but I don't think we played to our potential in this game."

"Maybe it was because we sat around for three hours waiting for the game to start, but whatever the reason, we came out lackadaisical."

South looked better in the second quarter and held a 14-11 halftime lead, but the third quarter was even more disappointing than the first.

Mercy outscored the Blue Devils 18-4 in the third quarter and the Marlins led by as many as 14 points before South made another comeback.

"I called a timeout with about five minutes to go and I told the girls that we could win the game — and we got within one point," Van Eckoute said.

Led by Emily Koltuniak and Stephanie Kostiuik, who combined for 13 points in the fourth quarter, South outscored Mercy 17-9 in the final period.

"Those two really stepped up for us," Van Eckoute said. "I put Stephanie in at point guard at the end and she went coast-to-coast for a layup and hit a couple other big shots."

Koltuniak finished with nine points. Kostiuik had eight points and five steals.

The loss left South with a 1-1 overall record. The Blue Devils play at Utica tonight, Sept. 18, and return home to face Utica Eisenhower on Tuesday.



Photo by Rob Bruce
Harper Woods' Ann Marie Solomon, left, drives to the hoop for two points in the Pioneers' nonleague loss to Lakeview.

HW basketball gets victory over Dondero

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Harper Woods' girls basketball team beat Royal Oak Dondero 27-13 last week.

The Pioneers' defense dominated the game as their leading scorers (senior Meaghan Huot and freshman Candice Cobb) each tallied six points.

Others who played well were senior Ashley Marshall; juniors Jade King, Ann Marie Solomon, Sally Smolinski, Stacey White and Bridget Wagner; and sophomore Shana King.

Earlier in the week, head coach Jessica Pitruzzello guided her Pioneers to a 38-34 loss at South Lake and a 52-39 loss to visiting Lakeview.

"We have played some pretty tough non-league games," Pitruzzello said. "I can see a lot of positives, which is great as we get ready to start our conference schedule. The girls are playing hard and playing good defense."

In the South Lake game, Marshall scored 11 points, followed by Huot and Wagner with six apiece, while Marshall had 12 points against Lakeview.

The Pioneers had a chance to beat the Cavaliers and Huskies, but poor second-half shooting did them in.

The Harper Woods basketball team improved to 2-4 overall.

Coming up for the Pioneers is their Metro Conference opener on Tuesday, Sept. 30, at home against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

Football

The Harper Woods football team lost its showdown with host Livonia Clarenceville last weekend, falling 26-20.

"We had our chances in the fourth quarter, but I think they wore us down with their size," head coach Heath Filber said. "They're offensive and defensive lines were huge compared to our

guys, but I have to give our kids a lot of credit because they played with a lot of heart."

The Pioneers trailed 18-6 at the half but came back to get the first touchdown of the third quarter, cutting the deficit to 18-12.

Clarenceville returned the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown, but once again Filber's squad stormed back as senior running back Marcus Renwick scored on a five-yard run to make it 26-18.

The Pioneers tacked on the two-point conversion, cutting the deficit to 26-20.

They forced Clarenceville to punt and had the ball at the Trojans' 40-yard line with two minutes left in the game but couldn't punch it into the endzone.

"It was a fun, exciting game," Filber said. "The crowd was going nuts on both sides. This was what high school football is about."

The Pioneers gained 220 yards of total offense, while their defense held the explosive Trojans to only 260 total yards.

"Clarenceville's offense has averaged about 600 yards of offense in its first two games, and for us to hold them to 260 is great," Filber said.

Renwick finished with 88 yards rushing and three touchdowns, and he had 20 yards receiving, while senior quarterback Frank Pietrangelo competed 5-of-11 passes for 62 yards.

The Harper Woods football team dropped to 2-1 overall and in the Metro Conference.

Next for the Pioneers is an away non-conference game on Friday, Sept. 19, against New Haven.

"We scouted New Haven against Liggett, and we need to defend its spread offense," Filber said. "The past couple of years we have played poorly the next couple of games after losing to Clarenceville. I need our guys to play as they did against Clarenceville."

South finds scoring touch against PHN

Grosse Pointe South's soccer team found its scoring touch last Friday, and the offense couldn't have found a better time to get untracked.

After suffering a pair of shutout losses earlier in the week, South rallied from an early two-goal deficit to beat Port Huron Northern 4-2 in the team's first game on its new artificial turf.

South (2-3 overall) had fallen 1-0 to Royal Oak Kimball and 2-0 to Utica Ford II earlier in the week. In their first four games, the Blue Devils scored only three goals.

And South's fortunes didn't look good when Northern took an early 2-0 lead.

However, Sevi Jensen scored a pair of goals, his third and fourth of the season, to tie the game at halftime. Then, with 16 minutes left, Jensen was pulled down while making a move toward the goal. Bob

Clarren converted the penalty kick. Clarren added an insurance goal with just over six minutes to go when he headed in Jensen's centering pass.

The win gave South a successful debut on the new field, along with some momentum as it headed into Macomb Area Conference White Division play this week with games against Utica and Chippewa Valley. The Blue Devils also play a crossover game at home Friday against L'Anse Creuse.

"The guys played well, and they showed a lot of resilience in coming back," said coach John Mellon. "Our defense (Nick Andrew, Doug Biske, Sean Grabowski and Dan Majeski) had a very strong game, and it was nice to see our forwards score."

Mellon admitted he was starting to get concerned over his team's struggles on

offense, especially after falling behind against Northern.

"The games against Kimball and Utica Ford were both very good games against two good teams," he said. "When we got behind Port Huron Northern, it would have been easy to panic. But our guys stayed with the system, and that got us back in it."

Knights beat Irish in second half

University Liggett School's soccer team played three games last week and got a taste of everything — a victory, a defeat and a tie.

The Knights scored three second-half goals in a 4-1 non-league win over Notre Dame.

"We played much better in the second half after a lax first half," said coach David Backhurst. "They responded to my pleading at halftime."

The game was less than two minutes old when Chris MacGriff took a free kick from the right side. The ball went to Jeff Heaney, who scored from the side of the net.

"Sometimes it's not good to score that quickly," Backhurst said. "The kids start thinking it's going to be easy. We didn't play that well for the rest of the first half."

The 1-0 lead stood up until there were five minutes left. ULS had a turnover and the Irish capitalized with the tying goal.

Backhurst put Spencer Logan in the game at right midfield early in the second half, and the move paid off when Logan took a crossing pass from Greg Jones and scored to break the 1-1 tie.

MacGriff made it 3-1 when he picked up a loose ball and scored with 15 minutes remaining. Adam Heaney moved up from sweeper to midfield and completed the scoring with two minutes to go after taking a pass from MacGriff.

ULS started the Metro Conference season with a 4-1 loss to preseason favorite Lutheran North.

There was a brisk wind and Backhurst decided to go with the wind in the first half.

"I always like to take the wind in the first half," he said. "You don't know if it's going to let up in the second half, so you might as well take it when it's there. And it might help you get out to an early lead."

The strategy paid off as ULS opened the scoring 13 minutes into the game. MacGriff sent a crossing

pass to Owen Darr at the near post and he kicked the ball into the net.

North tied the game with about 10 minutes left in the second half on a shot that Knights goalkeeper Joe Kish got a hand on but couldn't control.

With 2 1/2 minutes left in the half, one of the Mustangs' midfielders got open and he scored on a hard shot to put North ahead 2-1.

"North is a faster and stronger team than we are, and with the wind advantage it was like they had an extra player," Backhurst said.

ULS managed only three shots in the second half. North scored twice in the final 15 minutes.

"We didn't match up very well with them," Backhurst said. "They have outstanding team speed and so much depth."

The Knights closed out the week with a scoreless tie against Memphis.

"We had to go up to Memphis for an 11 a.m. game on Saturday after playing a tough, emotional game against Lutheran North on Friday," Backhurst said. "We didn't have the spark I'd like to see."

"It was very frustrating that we couldn't put at least one (goal) in against them. They're younger than we are."

The shots were even at four apiece in the first half. Kish made one outstanding save to keep the game scoreless. ULS outshot the Yellowjackets 8-2 in the second half.

The Knights, who are 4-2-1 overall, host Lutheran Westland on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Grosse Pointe North opened the Macomb Area Conference White Division season this week with a 2-2 tie against Chippewa Valley. Shane Davison and Ryan Symington scored the Norsemen's goals.

Earlier, North beat L'Anse

Creuse 5-1 in a MAC crossover game.

Dan Gassel scored twice for the Norsemen, while Bryan Bennett, Adam Miller and freshman Brendan Symington added a goal apiece.

North is 6-1-1 overall.

North ties first league game

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Knights look for right combination

Chuck Wright is looking for the right combination that will bring his University Liggett School girls tennis team another state championship.

"We're usually set by now, but I'm looking at a couple of different combinations," Wright said after the Knights played a 4-4 tie with Grosse Pointe North and lost 5-3 to Birmingham Marian last week.

One of the moves involved switching freshman Sam Troyanovich from No. 1 doubles to No. 3 singles. Carly Croskey then moved from third singles to join Gabby Milosic on the No. 1 doubles team.

ULS went with that lineup for the first time in the Marian match.

"Sam has more experience in singles than doubles," Wright said. "She lost 6-3, 7-5 against Marian, but she played well."

"Carly has played doubles before, and she has had some knee problems so playing doubles might be easier for her."

The Knights got wins at No. 1 singles from Holly Huth (7-6, 6-2) and at No. 2 from Rachel Costello (7-5, 7-6).

"Holly wasn't at her best but she competed well and won the match," Wright said. "That says a lot for her. Rachel was behind in the second set, tied it and won in a tiebreaker."

The other ULS win came at No. 3 doubles where the team of Allison Jones and Katie Boccaccio posted a 7-6, 6-4 win.

The No. 4 doubles team of Emily Davis and Kelly King lost a tough three-set match.

In the Grosse Pointe North match, ULS got singles wins from Huth (6-0, 6-0), Costello (6-3, 6-0) and Croskey (6-2, 6-3), and from the No. 2 doubles team of Calle Schumaker and Chrissie Keersmaekers (6-2, 3-6, 7-5).

"That was a nice win for Calle and Chrissie," Wright said. "They were down 4-1 in the third set. Rachel also had good win against Katie Hanlon, who has been playing well for North."

"We're really evenly-matched with North. We played them even in our tournament, too. This time we reversed a couple losses and so did they."

This week, the Knights played Division IV rivals Detroit Country Day and Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart.

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan**

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2003

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

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Kneiser, Council members Joseph, Farquhar, Schonenberg, and Theros.

Those absent were: Councilman Davis II (Councilman Davis later arrived at the Meeting at 7:55 p.m.)

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

Mayor Kneiser presided at the Special Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 11, 2003 were approved as amended.

The Minutes of the Closed Session held August 11, 2003 were approved as submitted.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the minutes of the Public Hearing held August 11, 2003; granted the appeal of James TenBroek of 39 Beverly Road.

The Council granted the request to use Pier Park facilities in conjunction with the Grosse Pointe Fun Run.

The Council scheduled a Public Hearing for Monday, October 6, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. to consider the formal adoption of the proposed amendment to the lighting ordinance.

The following Reports were received by the Council and ordered placed on file:

- Santa Clause Parade Report
- Statement of Revenue & Expenditures

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

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD. THE MEETINGS ARE PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Ronald V. Kneiser, Mayor
Shane L. Reeside, City Clerk

G.P.N.: 09/18/2003

South cross country runners beat North, win invitational

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team had one of those weeks that most teams only dream about.

The Blue Devils defeated crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North 19-40, then won their second major invitational meet of the season by placing first at the De La Salle meet at Stony Creek Metropark.

"The North meet was astounding—137 girls lined up at the start for what continues to be the largest dual meet in the state and certainly one of the largest in the country," said South coach Steve Zaranek. "It is really a credit to our community and school system to have not just the quantity of runners that we do, but also the quality that we have on each team."

North coach Scott Cooper was just as impressed.

"It was an awesome sight watching 140 girls run in a dual meet when most dual meets would have fewer than 25," Cooper said. "Coach Z always does a

great job, and I have a lot of respect for his girls and his program."

South took six of the first seven places.

Junior Natalie Humphry led the way as she covered the 3.1 mile course at Patterson Park in 20:22. She was followed by Maggie Collison, Jill McLaughlin, Liz Baxter, Megan Zaranek and Liz Petit, who took third through seventh place. South's top six were within 40 seconds of each other.

North's Kelly Szymborski came in second.

"Kelly once again ran a tough race, sticking with South's No. 1 the whole way," Cooper said.

She was followed by teammates Katie Horne, Cara Miserendino, Betsy Graney, Patricia Winterfield, Hannah Clor and Lauren Leto.

"Horne, who struggled last year, looks like she is here to stay," Cooper said. "She has been very motivated in practice and is showing every sign that she plans

to remain in the top group.

"Winterfield ran a great race, finishing very strong. She is our only senior in the top seven, and has been one of our most consistent runners for four years."

Also running well for South and posting times under 23 minutes were Emily McLaughlin, Kat Carmody, Sam Mackenzie, Iris Alao, Lauren McLaughlin, Brittany Gilpin and Erica Menchl.

Amber Gellert, Margaret O'Connor, Kristin Motschall and Alex Stencil each had season-best times for the Blue Devils.

North's top junior varsity runners were Melissa Ciaravino, Katie Uppliger, Jillian Kronner, Jenny Bohannon and Liz Rabidoux.

"This is Liz Rabidoux's first time in the top 12," Cooper said. "She has been working very hard all through the summer. I am always glad to see that hard work pay off."

Cooper said that the loss

to South was bittersweet for his team.

"We knew going in that South is very strong again this year," he said. "This looks like one of Coach Z's strongest squads and they should be contending for one of the top spots in the state finals."

"In our loss we had some very positive performances. Our top two runners ran right with South's girls, but South was much deeper and put too many runners ahead of the rest of our top seven."

In the De La Salle Invitational, South took six of the top seven places in the 14-team meet.

"This meet was a huge test for our team," Zaranek said. "The course was extremely difficult—the toughest we will be on all season. Coming off the win at Algonac, we wanted to show additional progress, even under adverse conditions."

South did exactly that, controlling the race from the start and finishing with a

record point total of 20. Plymouth Salem was second with 51 points, followed by Romeo with 124, Sterling Heights 127, and Birmingham Groves 134.

"We were extremely pleased with our running style," Zaranek said. "We ran together as a team and used each other for pacing and strategy. It worked to perfection at this meet."

A Sterling Heights runner was the individual champion, but South placed second through seventh with Baxter, Humphry, Collison,

Petit, Megan Zaranek and Jill McLaughlin. Carmody was also a medalist with a 12th-place finish.

South took seven of the top 14 positions in the JV race, led by a 1-2 finish from Mackenzie and Emily McLaughlin. Also earning medals were Alao, Sarah Stanczyk, Menchl, Lauren McLaughlin and Tereza Schiabile.

North and South will both compete in the Catholic Central Invitational this weekend.

North's boys edge Blue Devils, 27-31

On a day when neither team was at its best, Grosse Pointe North's boys cross country squad was just a little better than crosstown rival Grosse Pointe South.

"Both teams were tired," said North coach Pat Wilson after the Norsemen's 27-31 victory in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

"I didn't think either one of us could duplicate what we did on Saturday (at the Algonac Muskrat Invitational) on two days' rest. It was still intense, but that meet took a lot out of both of us. And in fairness to South, (Jacob) Wernet was sick and he's one of their top runners."

Wilson got a pleasant surprise when freshman Robbie Fisher, who didn't even run with the varsity seven in the first two meets, was North's top runner.

Fisher finished second overall in 17:49 to South's Eric Backman, who had a winning time of 17:46.

"I think Robbie is going to be a good runner for us," Wilson said. "He knows how to race. He can change gears and I like his competitive-

ness."

Dave Secord was North's second runner and fourth overall.

"He made a big difference in the race with his experience," Wilson said. "He jumped to the front when the pace slowed. He took the lead and helped spread things out."

Stefan Cross, Mike Pokladek, Eric Burton, Dave Watson and Alex Davenport rounded out North's top seven.

South's Bryan Mackenzie was third overall in 17:55, and Joe Palowski had an excellent race to finish fifth in 17:59.

Adam Dzuiba was South's fourth runner.

"Joe Palowski kept the score close, but we just didn't have it today," said Blue Devils coach Tom Wise.

Christian Bielski, David Bartel, Justin Linne, Ty Lattimore, John Konen and Samon Mirkazemi ran well for South.

North and South will face each other again on Saturday in the Catholic Central Invitational at Cass Benton Park.

Red Barons varsity shuts out Romeo

Brett Kurily is a spotter for the University of Michigan football broadcasts so he knows the



Ben Jenzen

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scored the winning touchdown on a 70-yard pass play with about five minutes left in the game.

On the final touchdown, Jenzen caught a short pass from Derrick Hacias and raced away from Port Huron's defense.

South took the opening kickoff and chewed seven minutes off of the game clock, but failed to score. On Port Huron's first possession, Brookes intercepted a pass and brought it back to the one-yard line. Derrick Hacias went the final yard on a quarterback sneak.

Port Huron scored twice in the first quarter and the Big Reds led 14-13 at half-time. South regained the lead early in the third quarter, but a Port Huron touchdown made it 22-19 going into the final period.

South had 356 yards in total offense. Derrick Hacias completed nine of 15 passes for 155 yards. Vinnie Panizzi rushed for 133 yards and Tom Sawicki had 60 yards on the ground.

"Our offensive line was tremendous," McLeod said. "We're really starting to jell there. (Ryan) Wagner and (Ben) Schrode had great games and Jack Watson showed a lot of leadership."

P.J. Janutol had another solid game on defense, while Justin Mitchelson had eight solo tackles.

Christos Bakalis earned McLeod's praise for his kick-offs.

"We were even on the punting game, but we won the kickoff part of it," McLeod said. "That gave us good field position."

The one thing that bothered McLeod was the number of penalties the Blue Devils were assessed.

"We made too many mistakes," he said. "I think that having our scrimmage cut short because of an electrical storm is hurting us. We haven't had enough reps with game officiating."

South visits Warren Cousino for a MAC Blue game on Friday at 7 p.m.

Wolverines stress solid defense and a ball-control offense.

As varsity coach of the Grosse Pointe Red Barons, Kurily believes in the same principles of football, so he couldn't have been happier when his team opened its season with a 27-0 victory over Romeo.

"Give all the credit to the defense and the offensive line," Kurily said. "We were able to shut them down and we had long sustaining drives the entire game."

James Costa scored three touchdowns for the Barons. He returned an interception 33 yards for a score, ran 16 yards for another touchdown and caught a 58-yard scoring pass from quarterback Mark Riashi.

The other touchdown was a 27-yard interception return by Peter Miller.

"Isn't that something," Kurily said. "Not only does coach Steve Reaume's defensive unit get a shutout, but it also gets two touchdowns."

Among the many defensive standouts were linebackers David Cassleman and Steve Reaume.

"On offense, Riashi ran it perfectly," Kurily said. "We were efficient. We had no penalties, no turnovers, and we never punted."

The offensive line controlled the game, opening huge holes, led by the blocking of Frankie Ferretti, Ben Maters and Reid Fragel.

"It was a good way to start," Kurily said.

Junior varsity

In an exciting game, the Barons junior varsity lost 19-18 as Romeo scored the winning touchdown with four minutes remaining.

"Yes, we lost, but I told the kids not to hold their heads down," coach Doug Lutzenberger said. "I thought we played well and we played hard."

The Barons almost pulled the game out, driving to the Romeo 12-yard line in the final minutes before being

North swims past St. Clair

Carolyn Jacobs, Juliana Schmidt and Martha Everrett each won two events to lead Grosse Pointe North to a 120-66 victory over St. Clair in a Macomb Area Conference crossover girls swimming meet.

Jacobs won the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 backstroke. Schmidt was first in the 200 and 500 freestyle races. Everrett won the 50 and 100 freestyle events.

North's other winners were Melissa Cleary in the 100 butterfly and Lauren Hanna in the 100 breaststroke.

The win evened the Norsemen's overall record at 1-1.

stopped on downs. In that drive, quarterback Patrick Kennedy completed two passes to Chris Shirar and one to Joey Dempsey.

"That last drive showed how hard we played," Lutzenberger said. "We never quit."

The Barons got their touchdowns on runs by Bobby Peltz and Charles Getz and a fumble recovery by Michael Cimmarrusti, who grabbed the ball out of the hands of a Romeo runner and sprinted 50 yards for the score.

Other standouts on defense were Dimitri Avouris, who recovered a fumble; Drew Tech, who intercepted a pass; and Joseph Konen, who was outstanding on the defensive line.

Offensively, Lutzenberger was impressed by the play of center Giorgio Rastelli and tackle Steven Lapanis.

Freshmen

In more than four seasons as head coach of the Red Barons freshmen, Tony Cimmarrusti has lost five games. Each time it has been for the same reason.

"Every time we lost, they beat us around the ends," Cimmarrusti said. "That is what happened today."

After taking a 12-0 half-time lead, the Barons were unable to stop Romeo's running attack and lost 24-12.

Despite the loss, there were some excellent moments for the young Barons.

Alexander Bedan excelled as a runner, passer and kick returner. Bedan scored the first touchdown on a 28-yard run. The second came on an eight-yard pass to tight end Marty Moesta, an accom-

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while Shanley had 102 yards in 13 tries.

Lewis completed six of nine passes for 97 yards.

"We made some changes in the offensive line and they did a good job," Sumner said. "We put Tom Ciotti at center and he played well. Steve Johnson twisted his ankle in practice and Brent Brown did a nice job at left guard."

Sumner also called up Jacob Bloomhuff from the junior varsity as the Norsemen went with a double tight end formation most of the game.

"Port Huron Northern likes to blitz a lot, and they do it from all angles, especially from the weak side," Sumner said. "With a two tight end set, we forced them to play it straight most of the time."

North visits L'Anse Creuse on Friday. The Lancers are led by quarterback Bobby Walmsley.

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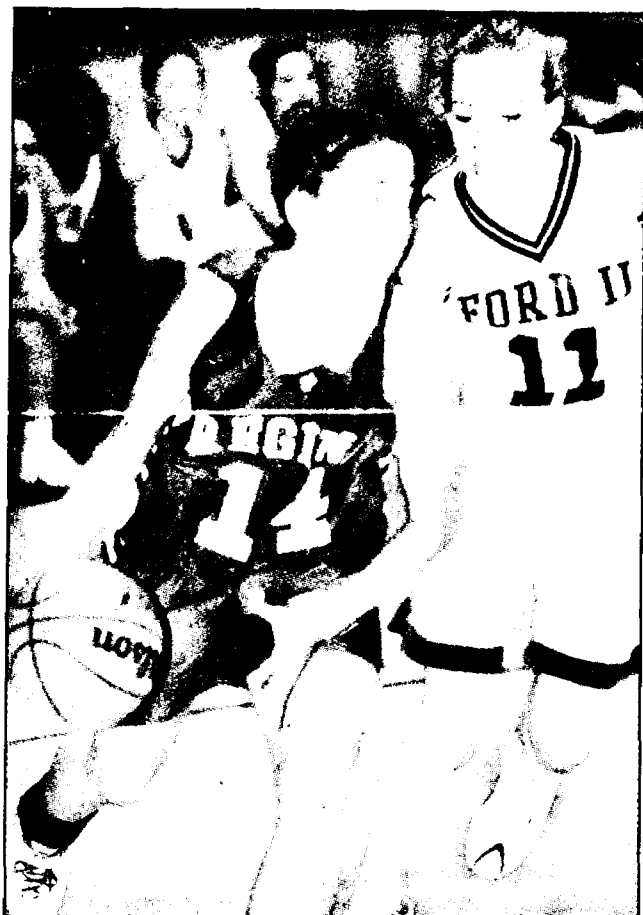
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Regina's Sarah Jimines, left, has played well in the Saddlelites' first three games of the 2003 season.

Photo by Bob Bruce

Regina basketball is off to a fast start

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Regina's basketball team is off to a fast start to the 2003 season.

Last week the Saddlelites went on the road and beat Warren Cousino 38-34 and Detroit Benedictine 61-44.

"The girls are doing a great job of playing defense," head coach Diane Laffey said. "Our offensive execution hasn't been the greatest, but we're winning games."

The Saddlelites managed only four points in the fourth quarter against Cousino, but a strong defensive effort led to the victory.

Senior Andrea Ligotti and sophomore Nicole Nemitz each scored nine points to lead the Saddlelites, which made only 12-of-29 free throws.

"We couldn't make a free throw to save our lives," Laffey said. "We were lucky to win the game because Cousino had a lot of opportunities to win it."

Laffey was all smiles after her team made a complete turn-around from the foul line against Benedictine, making 25-of-33 for the game and 14-of-19 in the fourth quarter.

"I don't know what the girls were thinking after shooting so poorly from the free-throw line one night and then being so sharp the next," Laffey said. "Our free-throw shooting helped us beat Benedictine."

The game was tied 28-28 at the half, but the Saddlelites' quick guards were able to score several easy baskets in transition

against the bigger, slower Benedictine forwards.

Senior Bridget Pullis scored 14 points, followed by Nemitz with 12, senior Sarah Jimines with 11 and senior Rosi Wagner with 10.

The Saddlelites also split two games in the annual Regina Tournament, beating Utica Ford and losing to Detroit Renaissance in the title game.

"Our girls played pretty well against a very good Renaissance team, and I think that paid big dividends in our game against Benedictine," Laffey said. "We're playing well right now, and we have to keep it up because we have some difficult league games ahead of us."

The Regina basketball team is 4-1 overall.

Coming up for the Saddlelites is their league opener on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at Dearborn Divine Child.

Cross country

The Regina cross country team split its dual meets last week, beating Riverview Gabriel Richard 16-46 and losing a tiebreaker to Livonia Ladywood.

The Saddlelites tied Ladywood 28-28 but lost when the scorers went to the sixth runner for each team.

"Losing to Ladywood was disappointing because I thought we should have won the meet," head coach Gregg Golden said. "Our times were a little slower than usual."

The Saddlelites' top finishers were sophomore Sara Cholyway, sophomore Gloria

Soyad, junior Katie Eisen and senior Emily Delmotte.

Other top performances were turned in by junior Liz Elias, and freshmen Mary Chase and Erin Norton.

Later in the week, the Saddlelites finished fifth out of 14 teams in the DeLaSalle Invitational at Stoney Creek.

"Our team finish was better than anticipated since we had a couple of girls running with the varsity team for the first time in their career," Golden said. "They were nervous, but they ran pretty well. The entire team did a nice job."

Golden watched Eisen and Soyad earn a medal, while Chase, Norton, Elias, Delmotte, sophomore Cheyenne Schultz, junior Jen Green and junior Christina Strace ran well.

"We ran against several teams that we will see in our regional," Golden said. "We have some work to do between now and the regional, but overall I like the way our kids are running."

The Regina cross country team is 1-1 in the Catholic League and overall.

Upcoming for the Saddlelites is the Fraser Invitational on Friday, Sept. 19, at Stoney Creek, followed by a meet on Tuesday, Sept. 23, against Birmingham Marian and Dearborn Divine Child at Eastwood Beach.

Swimming

Sarah Blackstock made her debut as Regina's head swim coach last week.

"The girls have had a good couple of weeks of practice," Blackstock said. "They're dropping times in most of their events from last year."

The Saddlelites lost to Farmington Hills Mercy and Fraser last week, but they had a shot to defeat the Ramblers.

"We didn't have any diving points, which was the difference (98-82) in the meet," Blackstock said.

The top swimmers were Dana Zak, Holly Hanczaruk, Melissa Markum, Tricia Monahan, Nancy Diehl, Ashley Vogel, Jackie Sheridan and Laura Sunisloe.

"I have a great group of kids to work with," Blackstock said. "They're working hard in practice and in our meets."

The Regina swim team is 0-2 overall and 0-1 in the Catholic League.

Up next for the Saddlelites is a home meet on Tuesday, Sept. 23, against Birmingham Marian.

Tennis

Freshman Jackie Dinicu has been outstanding during her first month as a member of Regina's varsity tennis team.

She hasn't lost yet, and last week beat foes from Farmington Hills Mercy, Grosse Ile and Eastpointe East Detroit.

Head coach Cathy Hassett and her Saddlelites won one of the three matches last week, slipping to 1-3 in the Catholic League, and 2-4 overall.

South edges Novi for tournament win

Grosse Pointe South's girls tennis team won another invitational tournament last weekend, but it wasn't easy.

The host Blue Devils won two flights, but reached the finals in two others as they edged Novi 20-19 in a tournament that featured several state-ranked teams.

Farmington Hills Mercy and Troy Athens tied for third place with 17 1/2 points.

"It all came down to the last match — No. 2 doubles," said South coach Mark Sobieralski. "And Carolyn (Rohde) and Emery (Brink) came through."

Rohde and Brink, who were playing Novi in the championship match, fell behind 4-1 in the first set but rallied for a 7-6, 6-3 victory.

South's other flight winner was freshman Jessica Leonard at No. 3 singles. She beat a Novi player 6-2, 6-1 in her first match, then posted 6-0, 6-0 victories against Mercy and Marysville to remain undefeated this season.

Stephanie Royer advanced to the finals at No. 3 singles, as did the No. 3 doubles team of Stephanie Manos and Patti Harrell.

"We had some tough draws, especially in the first round," Sobieralski said, "but one of the keys to our winning the tournament was that every flight won at least two matches."

Also winning two matches were Vicky Seiter and Brette Carroll at first and second singles, and the doubles teams of McCall Monte and Dana Schweitzer and Alexis Pavle and Alexandra Dickson.

In its only dual meet last week, South blanked Romeo 8-0 in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

The Blue Devils' victory was highlighted by wins at third doubles by the team of Jennifer Paone and Subraja Sharma (6-1, 6-2) and the fourth doubles team of Laura Hyde and Caitlin Littman (6-0, 6-1).

North tennis gets first league victory

Grosse Pointe North's girls tennis team swept the four doubles matches in straight sets as the Norsemen evened their Macomb Area Conference Red Division record at 1-1 with a 6-2 win over St. Clair.

North's No. 1 doubles team of Grace Butts and Sarah Kurtz posted a 6-3, 6-1 victory. Andrea Hoslet and Christina Schucker won 6-3, 6-4 at second doubles.

Natalie Hinks and Tina

Miserendino posted a 6-3, 7-5 victory at No. 3 doubles, while the fourth doubles team of Anna Alschbach and Kristin Krawchuk won 6-1, 6-3.

The Norsemen also got a pair of easy singles victories. Elizabeth Beals won 6-0, 6-1 at No. 3, while freshman Lara Zade breezed to a 6-0, 6-0 win at No. 4 singles.

North's Katie Hanlon lost a three-set match at second singles.

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame football team had its running game in full gear for a second straight game last weekend in its 54-21 win over visiting Dearborn Heights Robichaud.

"We are getting the ball into the endzone," head coach Kevin Nielsen said. "Our offensive line is doing a wonderful job of opening holes for our backs to run through."

Junior Jeremy Johnson led all rushers with 113 yards on 13 carries, and he scored on a two-yard run, while junior Britt Paige had 45 yards on five carries, including an 18-yard touchdown run.

Sophomore DeRon James gained 35 yards on three carries, scoring on a 17-yard run.

Junior quarterback Calvin Wiley scored on an eight-yard and 26-yard run, and he threw two touchdown passes to senior wide receiver Chris Jones.

"Chris was happy to get some passes thrown his way," Nielsen said. "We haven't had to throw the ball in the second half of our past two games since we have had a big lead in both."

Jones caught three passes total.

Defensively, senior Jonathan Johnson, junior Emmanuel Johnson and junior Sean Chappy each had an interception. For Chappy, the pick was his fourth of the season.

"Our defense has done a wonderful job in our first three games, but they can't rest because we have another big game coming up," Nielsen said.

The Notre Dame football team improved to 2-1 overall.

Coming up for the Fightin' Irish is their Catholic League Double-A Division opener on Friday, Sept. 19, against Madison Heights Bishop Foley, at 7:30 p.m.

Golf

Notre Dame's golf team earned a win the easy way last week — by forfeit over Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

The win kept the Fightin' Irish in second place in the

Catholic League Double-A Division after they lost 148-161 to league-leading Pontiac Notre Dame Prep earlier in the week.

Kyle Murray shot a 37 to lead the Irish, followed by Rich Lucido with a 41, Nick Vanderginst with a 41 and Jon Krempa with a 42.

Head coach Dave Murray and his Notre Dame golf team fell to 3-1 overall and in the Double-A Division.

Next for the Fightin' Irish is an away match on Monday, Sept. 22, against Riverview Gabriel Richard and a home match on Thursday, Sept. 25, against Prep.

Soccer

Head coach Maynard Buszek has his Notre Dame soccer team in second place in the Catholic League

Girls hockey team looking for players

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association's 14-and-under girls travel hockey team is looking for players.

The team was organized several years ago to give girls in the area a chance to play organized hockey.

"By the time the girls get to that age, they don't want to play on boys teams anymore," said the squad's assistant coach, Marty McMillan. "This gives them a chance to continue playing hockey."

"It's also a good opportunity for girls to develop their hockey skills if they hope to play on their high school teams in the future, but might not be ready for that level yet."

The team is open to any girls 13 and 14. The team plays in Tier B of the Little Caesars Amateur Hockey League. Home games will be played at City Arena in Detroit and at the Grosse Pointe Community Rink.

Interested players should call head coach Steve Coates at (313) 215-6584.

Double-A Division.

Last week, the Fightin' Irish tied Madison Heights Bishop Foley 0-0 and lost nonleague games to Dearborn Divine Child 4-0 and University Liggett School 4-1.

"Morale is up and our goals-against is down," Buszek said. "Our guys are starting to play some very good soccer. We have played four top 10-ranked teams during the past two weeks and played them tough."

The visiting Irish trailed Divine Child 2-0 until late in the second half when Buszek switched the formation from a 4-4-2 to a 2-4-4 to try and get the two goals.

"Divine Child was able to get two late goals, but it really was a 2-0 game," Buszek said. "We scored first against Liggett, but they scored the final three against us."

The host Irish outshot Bishop Foley by a 3-1 margin but couldn't get the ball past the Ventures' goalkeeper.

"It was a great high school soccer game," Buszek said. "We know we can play with the teams on our schedule."

Blue Devils clinch win in final relay

A close victory in the meet's final event carried Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team to a 51-43 victory over Marysville in a Macomb Area Conference crossover meet.

Sarah Jenzen swam a strong anchor leg for the Blue Devils in the 400-yard freestyle relay as she and teammates Libby Roach, Amanda Palffy and Stephanie Vella edged the Vikings by .71 seconds to clinch the victory.

South also started off with a relay win as the team of Betsy Slaughter, Liz Adamo, Kristen Padilla and Kate Muelle won the 200 medley relay.

Slaughter won the 100 backstroke, with teammate

Kim Stevens finishing second.

Muelle took first in the 50 freestyle, while Padilla was runner-up to a Marysville swimmer in the 100 butterfly.

Freshmen did well in the distance races. Palffy and Roach finished 1-3 in the 200 freestyle and Hillary Kay was second in the 500.

Roach joined Stephanie Yaklin, Meghan Carey and Adamo for a second place in the 200 freestyle relay.

South's Laura Palffy won the 100 freestyle, while Jenzen was first in the 200 individual medley and took a close second in the 100 breaststroke. The Blue Devils' Carly Czajka was third in the 200 IM.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE to be conducted by the Department of Public Safety of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of unclaimed, lost and found, confiscated and surplus articles, will be held on SATURDAY, September 27, 2003, at the Department of Public Works grounds, 1200 Parkway Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI.

The grounds will be open at 9:00 a.m. and the auction will begin at 9:30 a.m.

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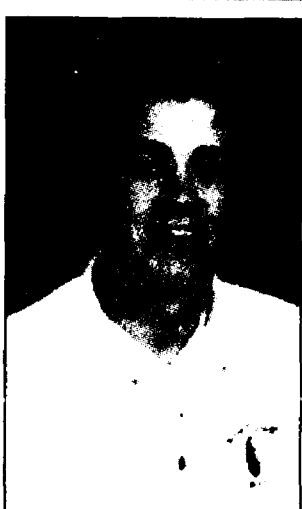
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Knights place trio on All-State tennis team in Division IV

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

His first name is Hunter, but playing No. 1 singles for the University Liggett School tennis team has made Hunter Huth the hunted.

"We play a tough schedule and our No. 1 singles player is facing all the top players in the state," said Knights coach Chuck Wright.

"But Hunter got better all year. He kept his chin up and won four of his last seven matches."

Huth's efforts earned him a spot on the Division IV All-State boys tennis team selected by the Michigan High School Tennis Coaches Association.

He was joined on the squad by teammates Trevor Stahl and Dan LaLonde, who played No. 1 doubles for ULS.

Huth reached the quarterfinals of the state Division IV finals and got there with one of his most impressive performances of the season

— a 6-4, 7-6 victory in the second round.

"He's been a great leader all year," Wright said. "We had some wonderful team chemistry and Hunter is one of the seniors who made that happen. He showed the younger kids how to be competitive."

Wright and assistant coaches Ken Rychwalski and Dave Willard helped Huth improve his game.

"Hunter got more consistent this year," Wright said. "He worked the ball better. He used to use pure power. He's coming to the net better and learning to use his height (6-foot-2). He has become better at volleying."

Stahl and LaLonde are a pair of juniors who moved up from playing No. 3 doubles in 2002.

They reached the championship match at No. 3 finals in the 2002 state tournament and this year advanced to the semifinals at No. 1.

"They got better as the

season went on, too," Wright said. "They lost nine of their first 11 matches, but won eight of their last 13."

Stahl and LaLonde are both three-sport athletes at ULS and they're good friends off the court.

"Two years ago as freshmen, I saw some potential," Wright said. "I put them together as a doubles team and they just clicked."

Stahl and LaLonde complement each other because one (Stahl) is left-handed and the other is a right-handed shot. That helps cover the open areas on the court.

"They've both become more aggressive this year," Wright said. "They take charge at the net. In doubles, the team that takes charge at the net usually wins."

"They also make adjustments well. They can play a defensive game if they need to in order to stay in a match."

Salvo has successful season

The Grosse Pointe Salvo Green under-12 boys travel soccer team had a very successful spring season.

The Salvo won its second straight championship in the Michigan Youth Soccer League, then finished first in the Petoskey Invitational tournament with a 4-2 overtime win against the Tri-Cities Strikers.

The Salvo started slowly in the title game. The undefeated Strikers, who hadn't allowed a goal in the tournament, jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first eight minutes of the game.

However, the Salvo's defense led by sweeper Stephen Van Beek and Trevor Sattelmeyer, Nick Jost and Michael Saleh

slammed the door on Tri-Cities the rest of the way.

Salvo midfielders Brett Reardon, Nick Pavle, Kyle Nadeau, Chris Thomas and Ben Scarfone controlled their portion of the field and set up several offensive attacks.

Midway through the second half, goalkeeper Greg Posada kept the score 2-0 when he made a save on a penalty kick.

Less than five minutes remained in regulation when Reardon broke through the Strikers' defense and scored the Salvo's first goal. Brian Auty then tied the game in the final minute.

The Salvo kept the attack going in the first of two five-

minute overtime periods with goals from Bobby Barrett and James Graney.

The Salvo opened the tournament with a 2-0 victory over CW3 Extreme. Nadeau and Graney scored the Grosse Pointe goals with Austen Brooks assisting on each.

Andrew Doetsch scored the game's only goal as the Salvo beat the Muskegon Lakers 1-0 in their next game.

Jack Fisher scored twice and Saleh, Brooks and Graney added a goal apiece in a 5-0 win over the Gaylor Galaxy.

The Salvo is coached by Glenn and Jen Nadeau. Sue Sattelmeyer is the team manager.



A combined team of Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Farms-City 10-year-old Little League all-stars won the recent Eastpointe Invitational baseball tournament.

Little League combined team wins Eastpointe tournament

By themselves, the Little League all-star baseball teams from Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Farms-City are tough to beat.

Together, it's impossible to beat them.

After facing each other in the District 6 10-year-old tournament, the two squads combined for the first time, and entered the recent Eastpointe Invitational tournament.

The Grosse Pointe team merced its first three oppo-

nents by scores of 11-1, 21-2 and 27-0.

It fell behind in its semifinal game, but pulled away to win 7-2.

In the championship game, the Grosse Pointe combined squad beat the host Eastpointe team 9-4.

Among the highlights were a no-hitter by Alex Bedan and the stellar hitting of Matthew Reno, Robby Kish and Andrew Holder.

Jeff Sparks and Joey Aliotta also did some out-

standing pitching during the five-game tournament.

John Parker, Michael Shook and Will Quinn made important defensive plays. Karl Brecht and Charlie Weipert were solid at catcher.

The team was managed by Jeff Sparks. His coaches were Matt Reno, Ken Kish, Jerry Aliotta and John Parker.

"This was a great way to end a great season of baseball," manager Sparks said.

Lancers' defense impressive in 6-0 victory over Loyola

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Trinity Catholic's football team squeaked by host Detroit Loyola 6-0 last week, improving to 3-0 overall.

"Loyola has a lot of great athletes; so holding them in check was a big accomplishment by our kids," head coach George Sahadi said. "Our defense played very well, and our offense made some big plays when the game was on the line."

The Lancers scored the only points of the game in the second quarter when senior quarterback Robert Cornelius hit junior wide receiver Quinton Washington on a 25-yard touchdown pass.

Senior Ernest Cornelius came up with a big interception, and senior Lance Caldwell made a spectacular catch on a third-down play that resulted in a first down and kept the clock ticking.

"Lance's catch was big because it allowed us to run a lot of time off the clock," Sahadi said. "Quinton's touchdown catch was big, and kids such as Antonio Hinton played very tough defense against a big, fast team."

The Bulldogs' best drive stalled at the Lancers' 18-yard line. It was only one of a few times they ventured into Lancers' territory.

The Trinity Catholic football team improved to 3-0 overall.

Coming up for the Lancers is an away game at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, against arch rival Waterford Lakes, which is ranked No. 2 in Class D.

"Lakes has a very experienced team that has a four-year starter at quarterback, fast receivers, and a good line," Sahadi said. "This might be our toughest game of the season."

Basketball

So far life has been good for the Trinity Catholic girls basketball team.

First-year head coach Phil McCune guided his Lancers to a perfect 3-0 start, beating Warren Immaculate Conception 51-22 and Warren Bethesda Christian 54-11.

"We have been able to get out to a quick lead in the first quarter and cruise," McCune said. "The girls are gaining a lot of confidence,

and everyone has been able to get into the games."

The Lancers jumped out to a 22-0 first-quarter lead against Immaculate Conception and went into a 2-3 zone for the final three periods.

"I don't want to run up the score because it isn't fair to our girls or the other team," McCune said. "Nothing is gained by beating a team by 50 points."

Junior Deprice Taylor led the Lancers with 14 points, while junior Krystle Wilson had six points and 23 rebounds.

Taylor also led Trinity in scoring against Bethesda Christian, tallying 10 points and four steals.

Wilson had eight points and 12 rebounds, while junior Nicole Gaillard had nine rebounds and five assists. Sophomore Erin Stanley chipped in with 11 rebounds.

Next for the Trinity Catholic basketball team is its league opener on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at Marine City Cardinal Mooney and on Thursday, Sept. 25, at home against Redford Bishop Borgess.

Eagles fall short on gridiron

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

A missed extra point caused the Lutheran East football team to lose 14-13 to visiting Lutheran Westland last weekend.

"It was one of those things," head coach Don Justice said. "Steve (Johnston) is a very good kicker, but he is a sophomore, and maybe the pressure got to him. It's not his fault because we had several opportunities to get the ball into the endzone."

The Eagles were behind the eight ball early in the game after losing junior tight end Rusty Pidosny to a groin pull.

"Rusty will most likely miss our next game, and maybe a second," Justice said. "We hope to get him back as soon as possible."

Senior quarterback Tom Kempinski scored on a 20-yard touchdown run, and Johnston's PAT made it 7-0 East.

The Eagles led 7-6 at the half but fell behind 14-7 late in the third quarter.

With four minutes left in the game, the Eagles took over at their own 15-yard line.

Johnston gained 25 yards on a reverse, and senior Robert Carlisle gained 15 yards on a fourth-down play to get the ball into Westland's territory.

Senior Matt Johnston ran the ball inside Westland's five-yard line, setting up Kempinski's quarterback sneak.

"There was no question to kick the extra point and get into overtime," Justice said. "I felt good about our chances to win the game if we went to overtime."

East tried an onside kick, which was recovered by Westland.

"We had a lot of positives in this game," Justice said. "Our kids played hard, but they have to learn how to win a big game if we want to get back to the playoffs."

The Lutheran East football team fell to 1-2 overall and in the Metro Conference.

Coming up for the Eagles is an away game on Saturday, Sept. 20, against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

Basketball

Head coach Mike Murphy is watching his Lutheran East girls basketball team mature.

The Eagles struggled to find any consistency in their first three games, but now they are starting to find a rhythm.

"We're not turning the ball over as much as we did in the first few games," Murphy said. "That has made a big difference."

Last week the Eagles lost 30-25 against Center Line St. Clement before competing in the Lutheran Tournament at Lutheran Westland.

Murphy's squad lost 39-35 to Lutheran Northwest in the first game but came back to beat the host school 32-23 in the consolation contest.

"We had only 15 turnovers in the win and 18 against Northwest, which was good for us since we had 30-plus turnovers a game in our first

four," Murphy said.

Senior Brandy Dona had 10 points to lead East against Northwest, while junior Shana Pritchett and senior Ashley Schult chipped in with nine and six, respectively.

In the victory, Schult had 10 points, followed by sophomore Ashley Maestri with eight and junior Qumisha Goss with four points and seven rebounds.

The Lutheran East basketball team improved to 2-4 overall.

Next for the Eagles is their Metro Conference opener on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at arch rival Macomb Lutheran North.

"I hope we can continue our momentum and win our next couple of games before we have to face North," Murphy said.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, and all other interested persons that a CITY ELECTION will be conducted on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003 for the purpose of balloting upon the following elective offices:

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All persons desiring to seek any such elective office in this election may secure proper, legal nominating petitions from the City Clerk, 17147 Maumee Avenue, during established office hours. Such nominating petitions, properly executed, along with proof of citizenship must be filed with the City Clerk not later than four o'clock in the afternoon (4:00 p.m.) on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2003.

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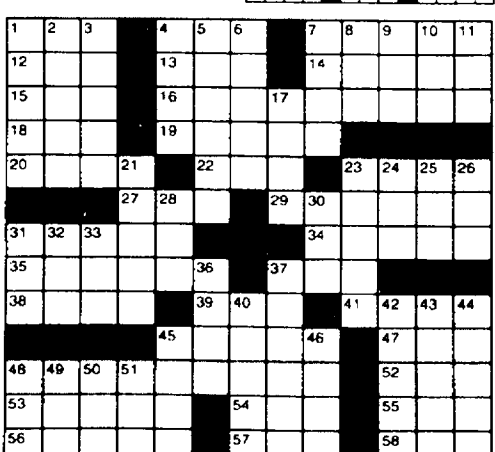
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- 13 Role for Calista
- 14 Strips in the kitchen?

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101 PRAYERS

PRAYER to the Holy Spirit
Holy Spirit, you who make me see everything and who shows me the way to reach my ideal. You who gives me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and you who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue, want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you, no matter how great the material desires may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. Amen. Thank you for your love towards me and my loved ones. Pray this prayer three consecutive days without asking your wish will be granted, no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this prayer as soon as your favor has been granted. Thank you for favors received. Grace

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\$1 bag day! Clearance corner. Unitarian Church annex. 17150 Maumee. Wednesday, September 24, 10am- 3pm. Thursday, September 7- 9pm.

354 Alter Road, Friday, Saturday, 9- 4. Lots of kids stuff, household, furniture.

50 years of stuff! Friday, 8am- 5pm. Saturday, 8am- 3pm. Reduced prices up to 1/2 off until noon on Saturday. Everything 1/2 off after noon. Antiques, old furniture including wicker, old doors, collectibles, basement stuff, decorative items. Mother has it all! We have a lot to sell, so bring your cash and have some fun. This sale is a handy person's dream. 1216 Yorkshire. No presales.

764/ 766 Trombley, Grosse Pointe Park, Saturday, 9- 4. Half of proceeds to benefit Michigan Humane Society.

A- 1. Country furnishings, miscellaneous items. Friday, 8:30am- 5:00pm. 22604 Trombley, St. Clair Shores.

409 GARAGE/YARD/ BASEMENT SALE

DUAL home garage sale! Great antiques, rugs, framed art, children's clothes & toys too. 9am- 2pm. Friday, September 19, 621 & 635 Moorland, near Morningside.

FARMS, 329 McMillan, Saturday only, 9- 3pm. Everything must go.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 407 Lothrop, Saturday, 9am- 1pm. Sale you won't want to miss. Vintage through 2003. Infant to adult.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 296 Lothrop, September 19th, 20th, 8- 2. Multi family. Furniture, toys, clothes, miscellaneous.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 400 block McKinley, (between Chalfonte and Mack) Friday, Saturday, 9am- 2pm. Something for everyone!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1115- 1129 Nottingham, Saturday, 8:30am- 3pm. Huge sale! Rain date September 27.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 749 Harcourt, Friday, Saturday, 7am- 3pm. Salesman samples, candle stands, pillows, miscellaneous.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 821 Trombley, Friday, 9am- 3pm. Saturday, 9am- 4pm. Sunday 12pm- 3pm. Multi-family. Don't miss this one!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 906 Park Lane, south of Jefferson, September 19th, 20th 9- 3. Moving sale, priced to go. Furniture, clothing, books, much more.

GROSSE Pointe Woods garage/ estate items. 959 North Renaud, Friday, 9am- 5pm. Saturday, 9am- 1pm. Carved oak china cabinet, desk, silver tea service, paintings, primitive hutch, antiques, old Avon, old photo/ equipment, dryer, tools, miter saw, kid's/ adult clothing, computer games, household goods, misc.

409 GARAGE/YARD/ BASEMENT SALE

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 1569 Hawthorne, Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Clothes, toys, big backyard Playscape.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 1733 Prestwick, Saturday, 9- 2. Kids stuff, clothes, shoes, books.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 20742 Morningside/ Green Court (North of Vernier) Friday, 9:30am- 4:00pm. Furniture, decorative household, power tools.

GROSSE Pointe, 699 Rivard, Saturday, 8am- 4pm. Furniture, baby stuff, Waterford crystal, David Winter houses, lots more!

GROSSE Pointe, 910 Washington, Friday, 9am- 3pm, Saturday, 9am- 1pm. Furniture, household items, toys, clothes, kitchen supplies, etc.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 869 Moorland, 2 family sale. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Antiques, furniture, clothes, lots of household items.

HARPER Woods, 18559 Woodland, near Vegas on Kelly. Saturday, Sunday, 10am- 4pm. Young women's & children's clothing, shoes, toys, household items.

HARPER Woods, 19015 Washlenaw, Friday, Saturday, 9am- 4pm. Priced to sell!

HARPER Woods, 21161 Manchester, Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Bikes, antique telephone table, push lawn mower, household, misc.

HARPER Woods- Hundreds of pieces of vintage costume jewelry & many other interesting things! 19138 Roscommon, Friday, Saturday, 9- 3.

MOVING sale, 876 Edgemont Park, south of Jefferson, near Yorkshire, in the Park. Furniture, lamps, twin metal beds with head/ foot boards, crib/ changing table, toys, misc. household items. Friday, Saturday 9- 12.

409 GARAGE/YARD/ BASEMENT SALE

MOVING sale! September 20. 9am- 5pm. Everything from A- Z. Avons, books, camping, dinnerware, dishwasher, fixtures, furniture, golf, Hallmarks, kitchen sink, linens, McDonald's, paintings, piano rolls, quilts, tools, TV, Xmas. 21024 Winkel, St. Clair Shores, Martin/ Little Mack.

MOVING Harper Woods, 20552 Huntington (between I/94 & Beaconsfield) Saturday & Sunday 9- 6. All household & outdoor items. Loads of furniture. Clothing, books, 2 dryers. Children's items. Everything must go.

MOVING sale, Harper Woods, 19015 Washlenaw, September 18th, 19th, 20th. Rain dates, 25th, 26th, 27th. Furniture included.

MULTI- family moving sale, 1 day only, antiques, books, clothing, toys, furniture, household items & more, Saturday September 20th 10am- 3pm. 4811 Kensington.

MULTIPLE family sale- Saturday, 8am- 3pm. 600, 594, 589, 583 Washington. Household, clothes, office.

PARK, 1025 Whittier, Saturday, 9am- 3pm. All proceeds to JDRF charity! Pedestal sink, stamper, kid stuff, more!

REDECORATING/ uncluttering sale. 21223 Hunt Club, Harper Woods, Friday, Saturday, 9am- 3pm.

SALE! See what 25c will buy. 789 Loraine, Saturday, September 20th, 9a.m.

ST. Clair Shores, 20920 Frazho, Friday, Saturday, 8:30am- 12:30pm. Lots of kids toys and clothes.

ST. Clair Shores, 21413 Pallister, off Chalon, 4 family sale, something for everyone. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8:30- 5pm.

ST. Clair Shores, 22723 Clairwood (9/ Mack), Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Furniture, clothes, toys, household!

ST. Clair Shores, 23176 Gladhill (between 8/ 9, Marter/ Jefferson at Westbury), Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10- 5. Big 2 family garage sale. Christmas decorations, designer clothing, jewelry, home decor, much more.

ST. Clair Shores- Huge sale. Friday, Saturday, 9am- 5pm. 32501 Larkmoor (between Harper/ Jefferson) Antiques, stereo equipment, dolls, teddy bear collection, books, much more!

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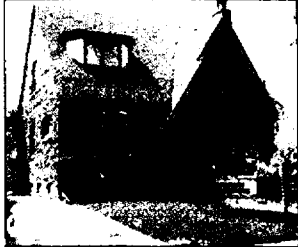
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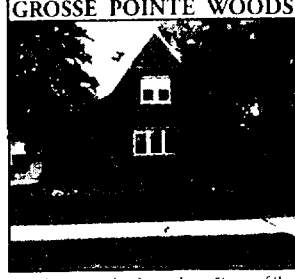
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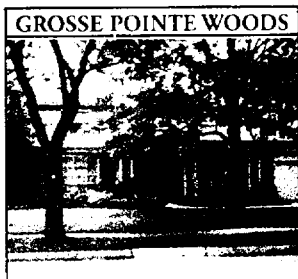
Three bedrooms and one and one-half baths. This home has a large living room that overlooks a nice patio and garden area, a cute kitchen, a first floor laundry, and newer windows. Grosse Pointe schools and parks! \$125,000 GP14LAK 313-886-5040



Spacious and charming "turn-of-the-century" Colonial on a wide lot. Three bedrooms, one and one-half baths, den. Beautifully decorated. Patio, two car garage with opener and more. Very nice block. \$249,000 GP98HOL 313-886-5040



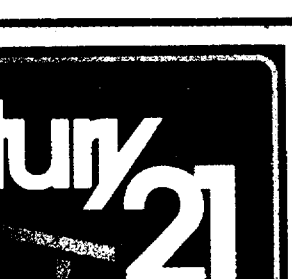
Lovely three bedroom, two bath brick bungalow. Great eat-in kitchen, appliances stay. Gas forced air heat, air conditioning, two car garage and a deck in fenced yard. Seller is finishing basement. Home warranty. \$205,000 GP73BEA 313-886-5040



All dressed up and ready to go! Beautiful five bedroom home with fabulous space and amenities has all the right updates and rooms! Aggressively priced, this home offers immediate occupancy. \$530,000 GP99BRI 313-886-5040



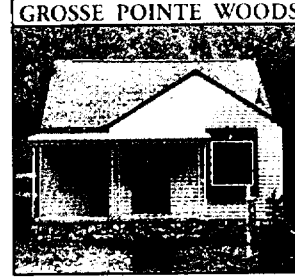
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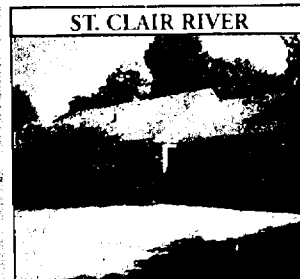
A very unique home in the heart of Grosse Pointe Farms. Home has recent updates in painting, carpet, driveway, roof, gutters, landscaping and window treatments. Natural fireplace, patio with hot tub, fenced yard. Move in condition. \$339,900 GP72MTV 313-886-5040



A beauty with all the trimmings! Red maple kitchen with island and granite, all upgraded appliances. Great lake views and large lot. Four bedrooms, three and one-half baths, three car garage. \$499,900 CL91ZEE 248-620-7200



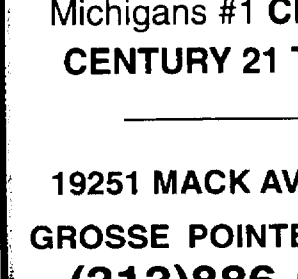
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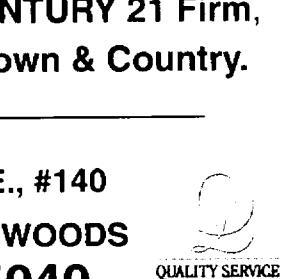
Wonderful home on St. Clair River. Two levels of gracious living with in-ground pool. Enclosed summer house with kitchen and fireplace. Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, deck, two boat houses, steel sea wall. \$598,500 GP11NRI 313-886-5040



Wonderful waterfront, totally redone. Addition in 2000 has a master suite, skylights, gorgeous master bath Jacuzzi, standup shower, cathedral ceiling, ceramic tile. Finished basement. \$295,000 GP35MAP 313-886-5040



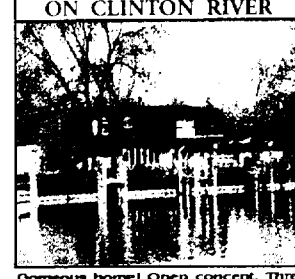
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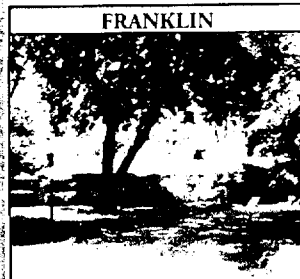
Impressive waterfront condo with fifty foot boat well. Marble foyer/baths, four doorways facing harbor/Lake St. Clair, secluded atrium. Appliances and window coverings included. Priced below market. \$394,900 CH10HAR 586-949-5590



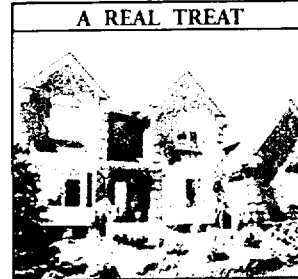
Fabulous lake front home. Almost two acres with extras. Large home with attached garage and enclosed boat house. Very private setting located on prestigious Pointe Lakeview, Chesterfield, Michigan. \$3,700,000 CH3OPT 586-949-5590



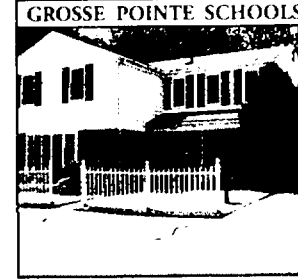
Gorgeous home! Open concept. Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths. Marble foyer. Kitchen center island, huge Great Room with fireplace. Four wells with water and electric. Three car garage! Owners anxious! \$495,000 CH28OLD 586-949-5590



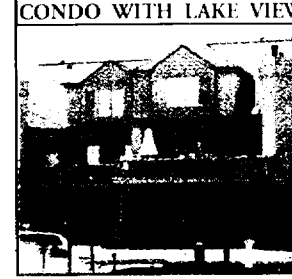
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Better than new. Fabulous four bedrooms, three full baths, one lavatory home deep in sub. Living and family rooms both with fireplaces, kitchen with cherry cabinets and granite, finished walk-out lower level and more. \$629,000 BH16BRO 248-642-8100



A large New England style home just waiting for a family. Many updates, walk to private park. Family room and living room, first floor laundry. Home warranty included! \$254,900 SH88DAN 586-731-8180



Split-level backs to wetlands. Four bedrooms, four and one-half baths, three and one-half car garage! Maple cabinets, granite countertop, stainless steel appliances. Finished walk-out basement. \$629,900 SH25BEA 586-731-8180



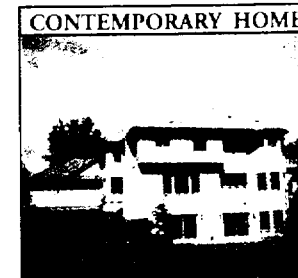
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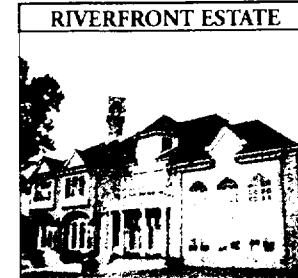
Beautiful North Channel home. Oak woodwork throughout, two fireplaces, three bedrooms, two full baths, plus a large bonus room over the two car garage. Steel seawall and boat hoist to handle up to a 30 foot boat. \$419,000 CH09ANC 586-949-5590



Gorgeous two bedrooms, three and one-half baths, two car attached garage, finished lower level, huge rooms, elegant master suite, white kitchen with granite counter tops. Portico overlooking fairways. \$879,900 PL5PRE 734-455-5600



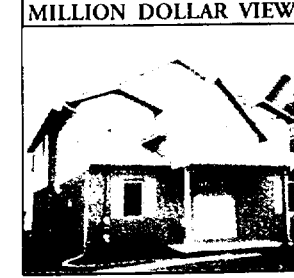
Spacious two-story with soaring foyer and Great Room. 1993 built, three bedrooms and four baths. Great heated three car garage. Zoned heating and cooling. Partly finished walk-out. Landscaped half-acre lot. Commerce. \$525,000 CL00WEL 248-620-7200



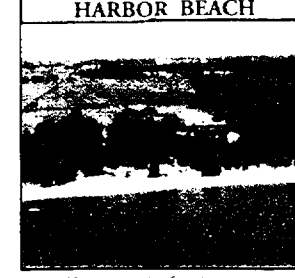
Boaters delight. Quality throughout, built in 2001. Every room has waterfront views and detailed workmanship. Large rooms and multiple fireplaces. Gourmet kitchen and four full and three-half bathrooms. \$3,300,000 CH62COL 586-949-5590



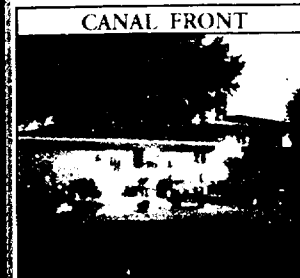
Approximately ten acres of serene setting. Six bedrooms, six baths, large finished walk-out with game room, bedroom and more. Garage holds sixteen cars. Custom pool with waterfall and three tier deck. \$1,650,000 BH50BRI 248-642-8100



For less than fair price, newer constructed, approximately 50 feet of frontage, two story entry, master bedroom with panoramic views, four bedrooms, two and one-half baths, two car garage. Wow! Creative financing. \$489,000 CO10JEF 248-363-1200



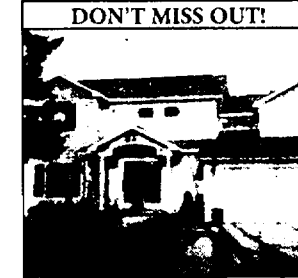
Lake Huron waterfront on approximately four acres. Watch the sunrise and freighters go by from the large deck on this four bedroom and three and one-half bath home in the thumb area. Many extras. \$525,000 BH85LAK 248-642-8100



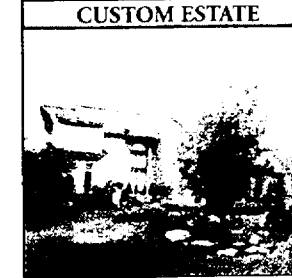
Beautiful canal front brick tri-level, just a few homes from Lake St. Clair, lots of updates, gorgeous brick paver patio, electric boat hoist and separate jet ski hoist. Nicely landscaped. Must see this home! \$248,000 CH56ROS 586-949-5590



Exquisite home with newer landscaping, deck and paver patio. Elegant curb presence. Circular drive. Master suite with two way fireplace to sitting room with wet bar. Cherry paneled wine room, steam room and theater room. \$979,900 RO99KAR 248-652-8000



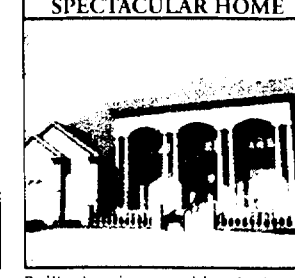
Sylvan Lake waterfront, extensively remodeled Colonial with three bedrooms and three baths. Updated kitchen, two story living room with inside-outside fireplace to deck with hot tub. Private balcony and garage. \$650,000 BH18RES 248-642-8100



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Spacious four bedroom ranch offers walk-out basement, two car attached garage, large country kitchen. Beautifully landscaped with mature trees all sitting on approximately three acres backing to Maybury State Park. \$599,000 PL25WES 734-455-5600



Built to impeccable taste in architecture and design. Extensive use of granite, oak and maple, custom woodwork throughout. Two kitchens, dual staircases, four fireplaces and a fabulous master suite. \$1,490,000 RH54QUE 248-642-8100

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