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## Woods library finally checked out

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

When Ryan Bowers was a little girl growing up in the City of Grosse Pointe, she "spent many an afternoon" exploring the world through books at the nearby main branch of the public library.

Now a mother living in Grosse Pointe Woods, she wants her 3-year-old twin son and daughter to have the same adventure.

The journey will be easier now that a modern branch library has been approved for construction on the front lawn of Parcels Middle School at the corner of Mack and Vernier.

"If we're going to rank ourselves among the Birminghams, Bloomfield Hills and Royal Oaks, we need facilities for young families," Bowers said.

The Woods city council Monday night approved revised site plans that will allow the \$9.5 million, 26,500-square-foot library to get off the ground — 42 feet to be exact, seven feet taller than the city's normal 35-foot cap.

Two additional variances allow the building's footprint to encroach on a 75-foot setback (41 feet from Mack, 33 feet from Vernier). In addition, the council granted a special land use variance to allow library construction on school property. The library will rent the property for \$1 per year.

Plans submitted by library architects included:  
 • a dedicated pick-up and drop-off area within an 18-space parking lot off Mack,  
 • a 30-spot parking lot off Sunningdale Park, which bisects the library site and Lochmoor Country Club, and  
 • a separate right-turn-only exit lane from east-bound Vernier onto Sunningdale Park.

Library leaders approached the Woods nearly three years ago about plans for a new library. A similar effort is under construction, ahead of schedule, in Grosse Pointe Park.

"Tonight, we have a rare opportunity to set the course for the next generation of outstanding libraries in the Grosse Pointes," John Bruce, head of the library board, told members of the Woods city council on Monday. "It's now in your hands to help us make this vision a reality."

"Moving forward with this project will open much-needed classroom space at Parcels," added Vickey Bloom, library director.

"You can tell a lot about what a community values by the amenities it provides residents," said Dr. Suzanne Klein, school superintendent.

Within minutes of winning approval, library leaders put the past behind.

"We can't wait to move forward," Bloom said. "We'll get our building committee moving on it."

"Our next step is for the architect to prepare bid documents," he said. "We hope that can be done within 90 days."

By March, Bruce wants to have acquired bonds to fund the project. Groundbreaking could take place in May.

"We will be working closely with the public school system to schedule construction that meets the needs of the library and safety of children at Parcels," Bruce said.

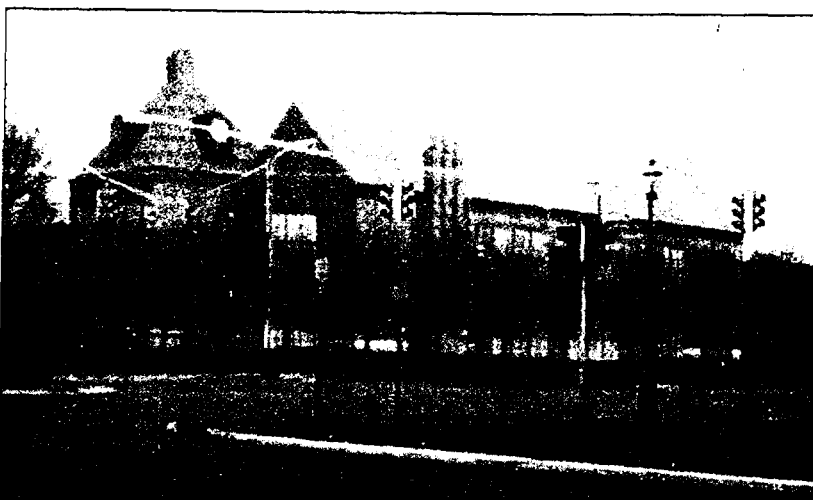
The building will have a slate roof and walls of brick and limestone.

"This facility will serve as a signature building for the Woods," Bruce said, "one that the community can be proud of for the next 100 years."

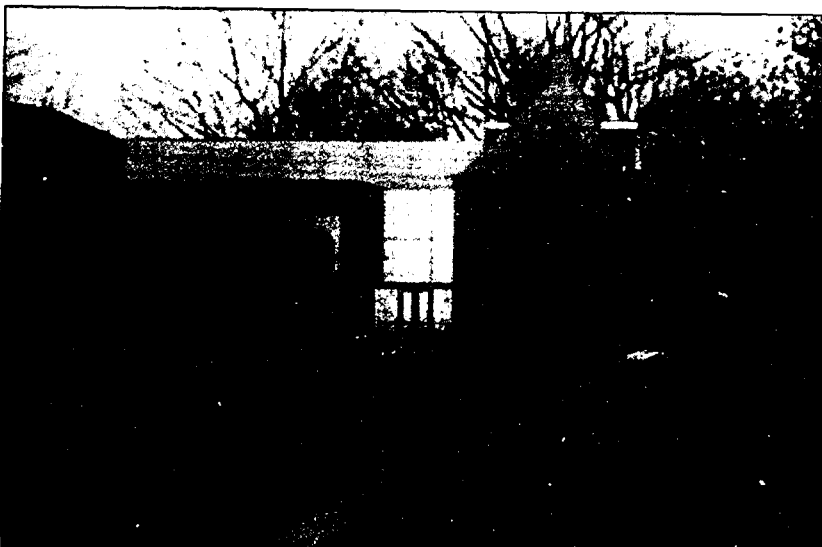
"This has taken a long time (but) was well worth it," said Woods council member Eric Steiner, who based his decision to not seek reelection, in part, by how long the city was taking to address the library issue. "I feel bad for the Park because we've just outdone them."

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Above is a rendering of the new Grosse Pointe Woods branch library superimposed in an actual photograph taken from the northwest corner of Mack and Vernier. Below is a photo illustration looking up Sunningdale Drive toward Vernier.



## No late fees for Park library construction

By Brad Lindberg  
 Staff Writer

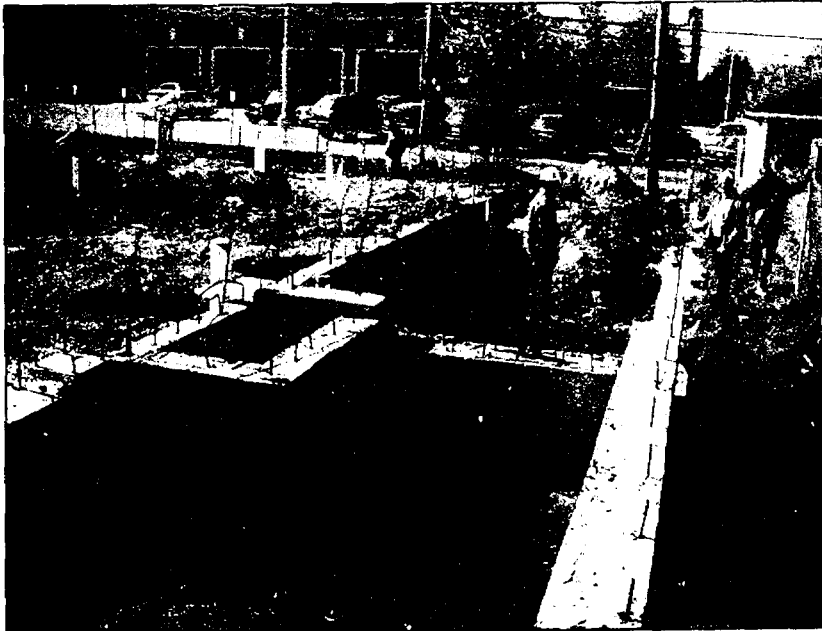
The foundation for a new century of reading and research has been set in concrete in Grosse Pointe Park. Literally.

"We're ready to pour the floor slab," said Mike Taylor of S.G. Construction Service.

Taylor's company is managing construction of the new Park branch library on former city-owned land next to the municipal complex on lower Jefferson.

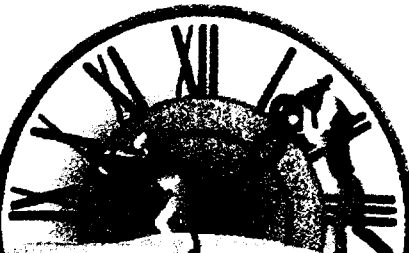
Now that the foundation is finished, the next step is delivery of enough cement to provide the 15,000-square-foot building a floor four inches thick.

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Now that the foundation is finished for the new branch library next to city hall Grosse Pointe Park, the next step is pouring the concrete floor.

Photo by Brad Lindberg



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### WEEK AHEAD

#### Friday, Oct. 24

The Rev. Richard W. Ingalls Jr. of Mariner's Church in Detroit will be the featured speaker at the Ecumenical Men's Breakfast at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church at 7:30 a.m.

#### Sunday, Oct. 26

Cappella Artemisia performs Songs of the Cloisters at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church at 7 p.m.

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#### Monday, Oct. 27

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

#### Tuesday, Oct. 28

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Lunch will be at 11 a.m., followed by a short business meeting. Dr. Ann Duncan, D.V.M., from the Detroit Zoo will speak on the daily care of animals, including medicines and surgery.

#### Thursday, Oct. 30

Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Ronald Kneiser holds open office hours from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at the Farms city hall.

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

### Kevin Piccuch

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms

Age: 41

Family: Wife, Clarisa; Children, Miguel, 25, Lonelli, 24, Amelia, 12, and Isaac, 6

Occupation: Executive vice president of corporate operations for American Laser Centers

Quote: "I really enjoyed working with American Laser Centers. After working with the owners .... I knew it would be a great experience"

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## yesterday's headlines

## 50 years ago this week

■ There soon will be 125 more parking spaces in the Village shopping district.

City of Grosse Pointe officials will create extra parking by leasing a strip of land running parallel to Kercheval and extending behind the Kroger, Kresge and Cunningham stores.

■ Parking facilities will be extended in the lot behind the Grosse Pointe Farms business district on the Hill.

Members of the Farms city council say it will cost \$1,200 to provide space for another 50 cars. The present lot will be pushed into a portion of the Richard Elementary School playground.

■ Former Grosse Pointe Woods councilman Arnold Diesing appears before the council protesting the city's announced construction of a municipal garage in a residential area on Marter Road.

As a result of the protest, the council schedules a special session later this month to discuss an ordinance amendment allowing municipal structures in a residential zone.

## 25 years ago this week

■ The owners of two Grosse Pointe Woods restaurants, Le Cafe Francais and Da Eduardo, combine forces on an initiatory petition

drive to obtain two tavern licenses, which permit the sale of beer and wine by the glass.

■ This Sunday the Detroit Free Press Motor City Striders International Marathon will bring an estimated 2,300 runners into the Grosse Pointes.

The route includes Jefferson-Lakeshore to Kerby, to Kercheval and back to Detroit. Drivers are warned to be on the lookout for joggers and barricades from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Grosse Pointe South and North high school football teams win their homecoming games.

South's senior quarterback Bob Baker throws two touchdown passes to help the Blue Devils come from behind against Roseville 27-18. North's Norsemen beat L'Anse Creuse 19-6.

## 10 years ago this week

■ Local real estate agents are up in arms over Gov. John Engler's proposed 4 percent transfer tax on the sale of homes. Agents claim the tax will hurt real estate sales and is not a stable form of funding.

Based on the average cost of a home in the Grosse Pointes, \$200,000, the tax would net the state \$8,000 per sale.

■ Grosse Pointe Shores officials dispute a \$48,394 bill from the Detroit Water and Sewage Department. The figure represents an estimate, based on prior usage, of water lost in the system due to leaks.

Shores officials say old water meters, which are owned by Detroit but not read by water department employees in compliance with a monthly schedule, are giving inaccurate readings.

■ Three Grosse Pointe senior citizens participate in a pilot program at Grosse Pointe South High School that allows them to attend classes with teenagers.

Generational Schools, as the program is called, is being conducted as an experiment by the Grosse Pointe chapter of the League

## 50 years ago this week



## Saturday is U.N. Day

Mrs. Thomas Tilley show Mrs. Courtney Rankin the new poster honoring Oct. 24 as United Nations Day. Both ladies are members of the Grosse Pointe Chapter of the United World Federalists, a national organization which is seeking to strengthen the U.N. by giving it adequate powers to maintain peace and ensure world law. Many Grosse Pointers are planning to attend the U.N. luncheon scheduled for noon at the International Institute in downtown Detroit. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Oct. 22, 1953 Grosse Pointe News)

of Women Voters.

## 5 years ago this week

■ Monsignor Francis X. Canfield, 78, dies in his home of complications from cancer.

Canfield had been pastor at St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms for 20 years.

■ The top administrator of the Grosse Pointe Public School system is given a contract extension through July, 2001 in recognition of her superior job performance and as a signal of community support.

Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein also receives a 2 percent raise retroactive to July.

"I look forward to the work we can do together to make (Grosse Pointe) an even better place for our

children to learn. They deserve it," Klein says.

■ All downspouts in Grosse Pointe Farms must be disconnected by Sept. 30, 1999, according to a new

ordinance.

The ordinance puts the Farms in compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act.

— Brad Lindberg

## Park

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es thick.

Taylor said the building's underground electrical wiring and connections have been installed, as has rough plumbing.

"Steel for framing will be delivered in early November," he said.

"Oh?" smiled an impressed Vickey Bloom, library director. "That's changed since last week."

Bloom hadn't expected framing beams to be delivered until late November.

"They're ahead of schedule," said Dale Krajniak, Park city manager. "They've been working extremely well with our public service department. No problems."

Crews are anxious to erect the library's walls and roof.

"Their goal is to get the building enclosed so we don't have to do (exterior) winter construction," Bloom said.

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## City masters first step in master plan approval

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer

The future is nearing for the City of Grosse Pointe as

it steps ahead in its master plan approval process.

The city council, acting as the planning commission,

approved a draft of the proposed master plan on Monday, Oct. 20.

Most of the discussion of

the proposed master plan focused on land use from the preservation of estate lots, those 150 feet and more, to making current existing small non-conforming lots, those as small as 35 feet, buildable.

By preserving estate lots, John Jackson, the City's planning consultant said, "We wanted to make sure they had an appropriate zoning district and weren't being torn down and subdivided into smaller lots."

Most of the City's estate lots were identified on Lakeland between Maumee and Lake St. Clair, Washington between Maumee and Jefferson, and selected lots on Rathbone Place, Woodland Place, Donovan Place, Stratford Place and Elmsleigh Lane.

The smaller, non-conforming lots, mostly located on Notre Dame and St. Clair, would be incorporated into a newly-defined medium density district.

"You see where people have upgraded these homes," Jackson said. "It gives us a viable density around the Village. We want to make sure those homes could be rebuilt and reinvested."

In between the very large and the very small lots, the proposed master plan also defines areas dedicated to medium and medium low-density housing. Areas dedicated to terrace housing remain unchanged except for the addition of what is currently part of a city-owned parking lot nestled between St. Clair and Neff and St. Paul and Kercheval.

The new site proposed to be dedicated for terrace housing was originally slated for public use, specifically a DPW storage area for leaves, road salt and equipment. That use was pulled from the proposed master plan and immediate use after the City received negative public feedback.

"It (the expanded terrace district) is an opportunity we felt fit into the fabric of the community," Mayor Dale Scrace said. "In the meantime, it will remain a parking lot."

The proposed master plan

also calls for office and neighborhood business district zoning on Mack.

"We want to convey that we don't want to see any big box development on Mack," Jackson said. "We want to maintain a balance of non-residential use on Mack."

A health care district is also proposed to meet the needs of Bon Secours hospital.

Missing in the proposed master plan is a dedicated

unacceptable. I understand the need for a viable Village, but this is going too far."

However, Jackson replied, "The intent is to provide a mix of complementary uses that residents told us they wanted to see. The likelihood of the maximum building potential is negligible at best. All these things will be taken into consideration one project at a time."

Other residents who live near the Village who attended the public hearing expressed concerns about large truck traffic and deliveries at all hours of the day and night.

"We have a grid network of roads, which is a mixed blessing," Jackson said. "It distributes traffic evenly but it also leads to cut-through traffic."

Scrace said the council may look into establishing set delivery times.

The proposed master plan addresses the City's transportation issues but only makes suggestions to "maintain the current well-defined circulation system in the Village."

Other issues addressed in the proposed master plan but not discussed in full at the public hearing include public safety, recreation, water and sewers.

The proposed master plan will now be sent to neighboring communities and the county for feedback. They will have 90 days to review the plan before it comes back to the City. A final draft should be ready for adoption in about four to six months.

After the master plan is approved, the council is likely to review and change zoning ordinances and zoning districts, create new residential standards and a health care district, develop recreation and parking plans, and develop Mack and Fisher streetscape plans.

"We have a lot of 'next steps,'" Scrace said.

A copy of the proposed master plan is available at the city hall and will be available at mcka.com in the near future.

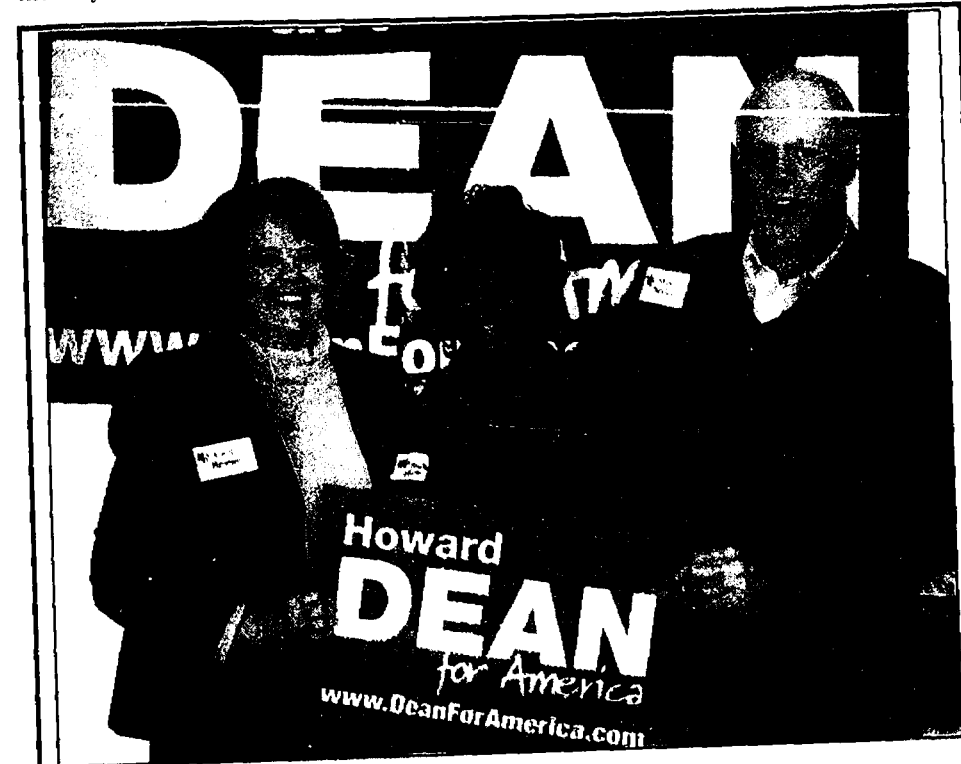


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### Democratic frontrunner visits G.P.P.

More than 200 Grosse Pointers and others gathered Saturday, Oct. 18, to welcome Democratic presidential frontrunner Dr. Howard Dean to a reception at the home of Mark and Carol Bendure in Grosse Pointe Park.

"If you care about social justice, you have to care about a balanced budget," the former governor of Vermont told the crowd, which included several elected officials and their representatives. Dean also discussed his positions on the Middle East, health care, education and employment.

Co-hosts for the event were Anita and Mark Fox, state Rep. Andrew Meisner (D-Ferndale), former state representative and gubernatorial candidate Lynn Jondahl, Soni Mithani and Jeff Morenoff.

Above, center, local state Sen. Martha G. Scott (D-Highland Park) attended the Park reception and stood in a photo op with Dean and hostess Carol Bendure.

### Woods

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The new Woods branch has been designed with space in mind. Items used most frequently will be located on the main level.

"Preschool, youth, popular collections and audio visual are located on the first floor for easy access," Bloom said. "The second level will include reading and study areas, small group study areas, reference, young adult and adult collections."

A tower, hence the height variance, has been modeled in the fashion of a living room, complete with central fireplace.

"The garden level will complete the design with a program room and space for staff and operations," Bloom said. "We have no doubt that this new gathering place will be an inspirational community resource that encourages discovery and provides lifelong learning for generations."

Bruce said, "Throughout the time we have been working on this project, the one fact that has never been contested was the tremendous need for a new library in Grosse Pointe Woods."

He repeated statistics he'd been presenting for months:

- The Pointes' library system is 47,000 square feet smaller than the average space for Michigan communities of comparable size.

- The system is in the top 20 percent of patron use and in the bottom 25 percent in square feet of facility space per resident.

- Shelf space is so limited that librarians must discard an old book for every new book added to the collection.

- Despite representing only 15 percent of the system-wide circulation, the Woods branch accounts for almost 40 percent of the system-wide circulation.

- Last year nearly 139,000 patrons used the Woods branch, an increase of 5,600 from the year before.

To qualify for a variance, library officials had to convince the council there were no other designs or locations that could provide the northern Pointes a modern library.

"Early in this process, we

investigated Mack-Moross, the site (on Mack at Brys) now being used by Sunrise Assisted Living, the Woods municipal complex and all sites at Parcels," Bruce said. "The corner of Vernier and Mack on the Parcels site was the only viable alternative."

#### Traffic problems

Homeowners near Parcels worried about the library drawing increased traffic on side streets.

Concerns centered on the Sunningdale Park parking lot, from which library patrons will be required to exit right-only toward Sunningdale Drive and Lochmoor.

"I'm not against the library. I'm against the primary parking lot on Sunningdale Park," said Mike Sandmair, a resident.

"My only concern is diverting a parking lot into a residential area," said Kevin Farr. "Divert it back onto Vernier."

Officer Dan Koerber of the Woods public safety department said the site plan addressed traffic patterns.

"The drop-off (in the Mack parking lot) is going to hopefully alleviate some of the traffic," Koerber said. "Believe me, safety of children was my first concern."

James Mumby, project manager with architects Fanning/Howe Associates

of Novi, said the design included portable "traffic adjusters," which are similar to speed bumps, that can be relocated to regulate traffic.

"If it needs to be adjusted, we have the ability to do that," he said. "It can be removed and replaced based on practical experience."

City officials said they will monitor traffic and respond as needed.

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# Farms man's leap of faith finds new profession

By Patti Theros  
Special Writer

Kevin Piecuch didn't take the average career path to become the general counsel and then executive vice president for a major corporation. While many attorneys attend law school shortly after college and then work for a law firm or corporation, Piecuch had a different calling after college.

He became an ordained Presbyterian minister.

"I've found that my strong moral background as a minister has been another way of helping others through my work as a lawyer and in human resources," Piecuch said. "It's like practicing one's faith in one's job."

About nine years ago, he and his wife were discussing where their lives were headed.

"Clarisa was working on the west side of Detroit as an executive serving Presbyterian churches in the Detroit area. I was working as the associate pastor for Lakeshore Presbyterian church in St.

## POINTER OF INTEREST

Clair Shores. We both had been working for the church in various capacities for more than eight years."

"We decided we wanted to have another child, and we both wanted to make career changes. She wanted to stop working to be a full-time mom. I wanted to go to law school. We both wanted to stay in Grosse Pointe where we had been living since 1994. It was a leap of faith, but we did it," Piecuch said.

Kevin applied and was accepted in the law school program at the University of Michigan. He began in September 1996.

"We were wondering how we were going to do our career changes while supporting a family. In November 1995, I resigned from my position as a full-time minister. I started working as a chaplain at St. John Hospital.

"But the Lord works in mysterious ways. For years, while I was a minister, I had

been involved in the CROP Walk, a walk for hunger that involves the National Council of Churches. Both locally and nationally the CROP Walk has interfaith support. I was the local CROP Walk chairman.

"Through this interfaith group, I learned that the Church of the Brethren in Harper Woods was looking for a part-time minister. They were happy to have me, and I felt blessed that my position at the church would work with my law school schedule. The pieces started falling into place.

"My wife resigned from her position. I started law school in September 1996, and our fourth child, Isaac, was born in October. I was the only person in my law school class who commuted from Grosse Pointe to Ann Arbor. Throughout law school, I worked as the part-time minister at the Church of the Brethren.

"I was a full-time day law student. I attended classes Monday through Thursday. I left Grosse Pointe by 7:15 a.m. to reach Ann Arbor in time for 9 a.m. classes. On Fridays, I usually spent office hours at the Church of the Brethren. I worked some evenings at the church as well — church board meetings, Bible studies, etc. Saturday was spent on sermon preparation and with my family. Sunday was

church day.

"Most nights, after eating dinner and spending some time with my wife and kids, I was in bed by 10 p.m. I woke up at 4 a.m. and did my homework while the rest of the family slept. Before leaving for law school, I would make coffee, school lunches, wake everybody up and then leave. That was my life for three years," he said.

After graduation from law school in 1999, he began working at a law firm in Detroit. One of his clients was American Laser Centers (ALC).

"I really enjoyed working with American Laser Centers. They didn't have an in-house general counsel. After working with the owners of ALC for some time, we had a conversation about my joining their staff. I knew it would be a great experience," Piecuch said.

In February 2003, he left the law firm and began working directly for ALC.

"Right before I got on board at ALC, I helped them find their new Grosse Pointe Farms location on Kercheval. Business has been fabulous. The Grosse Pointe center has already done more than \$500,000 in business within the first eight months of its opening," he said.

This month Piecuch was promoted to executive vice president of corporate operations for American Laser Centers.

He offered these tips for consumers looking for a center to do laser hair removal, photofacial, and/or microdermabrasion services:

1. Make sure the technician is adequately trained in the services requested.
2. The center should retain and be supervised by board certified physicians.

3. The center's equipment should be based on the latest technology.

4. Ask questions before the procedure. These questions might include: What are the charges? How does the treatment work? Is there a guarantee on the services?

With two medical doctors as directors for ALC, Piecuch believes the success of ALC is attributable to the partnerships formed with well-known physicians, use of the best available technology and staff training.

American Laser Centers now has 26 centers open in locations across the country, including Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, New York and Texas. Six additional centers will be open before the end of year. ALC-Partner, Inc. is the largest provider of laser hair removal services in the United States.

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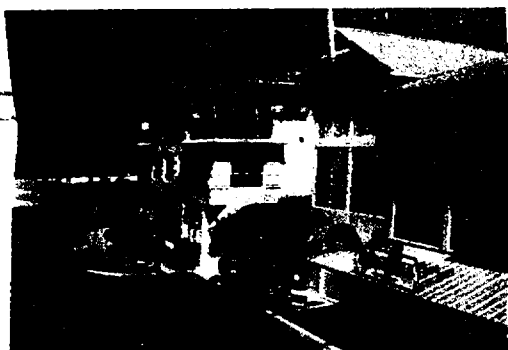
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# Opportunity is knocking in the Woods

With four competent challengers and one incumbent retiring on the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, opportunity is knocking, literally, on voters' doors.

Three seats are up for re-election in the biannual municipal general election on Tuesday, Nov. 4, in the Woods.

Lisa Pinkos Howle is making her first bid for public office. She is the daughter of the late Woods Mayor Joseph Pinkos, who led the city from 1973-79.

Pinkos Howle has a law degree from the University of Detroit. She took over running her father's metal heat treating company in Warren after her father's death. She is now a director of the corporation.

She is running, she said, because she is concerned about safety, schools and the commercial district.

Pinkos Howle can bring business management experience to the council. She would like to serve on the budget committee. She likens the city council to a corporate board of directors, where department heads bring matters before the directors, who decide policy.

"We should not micro-manage," she said.

Pinkos Howle would like to help Mack Avenue merchants succeed. To do that, she would like to form a business commission. "They have a commission for everything else, but not

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business," she said.

She and other challengers also want another thing: Direct access to council members via email and posted on the city's Web site.

Darryl Spicher is a business owner on Mack, and he is not happy. Early in his campaign, he was questioned by a Woods detective over the legality of his posting petitions in his liquor store. It was legal, but Spicher feels he had to defend himself because an incumbent sicked the cops on him.

Spicher doesn't care if he personally gets elected to council so long as new faces get elected. "It's not whom you vote for," he said. "It's whom you don't vote for."

He points out that there is not a single business owner on the council. There needs to be a mix, Spicher believes, and so do we.

The business owner and resident would also like to see a friendlier police department. "They have one goal in mind," he said, "and that is to write tickets." He would also like to see police on walking or bike patrols, particularly along Mack.

Grosse Pointe Woods police, unlike some of the other Pointes, do not have a bike patrol.

Steven Vassallo is making his second attempt for the city council. He is a doer, a volunteer, who gets the job done without personal recognition.

He has chaired the Woods' Senior Citizens Commission and volunteers for SOC (Services for Older Citizens). He has also worked behind the scenes for making the Village Santa Claus Parade an annual success. He also was assistant director of the Woods 50th anniversary parade and is currently directing the Harper Woods Little League 50th anniversary parade.

By the way, he also works full time as a database marketing representative for LDMI Telecommunications.

Vassallo has some radical ideas, such as consolidating the firefighting operations among the Pointes. "Why have five firehouses when a study shows you only need three?" he asks. He also favors bringing back full-time firefighters instead of cross-trained public safety officers. (We don't agree.)

He would like to see a joint consolidation study done by all the Pointes to see where a consolidation of services could save money and increase efficiency. (We agree.)

Vassallo is also concerned about rental property and would like to see something done to make sure properties are maintained.

Another good idea is for a shuttle up and down Mack Avenue, similar to the one running on Jefferson on the Nautical Mile. Perhaps that is something the Mack Avenue business asso-

ciations in cooperation with city hall could make happen.

Dona DeSantis Reynolds is "just" a school teacher. She teaches life sciences (home ec) at Brownell Middle School. Her slogan is, "Reynolds will wrap it up for you."

She is running, she said, because "people are not happy and want some change."

DeSantis Reynolds said she is a people person and a people's candidate. She wants to see a change in city hall. She feels an "old boys' network" is in existence. She said she is tough enough to stand up to the "old boys."

She believes businesses are the backbone to the community. "We're like family, she said. We (business and residential) are all interconnected."

As a teacher, DeSantis Reynolds is a good listener, and that is what is lacking on the council, she said. She would like to see more public input at earlier stages.

"When residents feel they are not being heard, when they're hitting a brick wall, that's when they get angry. People want to feel their voice is important," she said.

Challenger Spicher summed up this year's campaign for city council best: "If you want change, you need three new faces."

Fortunately, Woods voters have four out of which to choose three: Lisa Pinkos Howle, Darryl Spicher, Steven Vassallo and Dona DeSantis Reynolds.

If you like the way things are run in the Woods now, vote for the "good old boys": Thomas Farhner, Joseph Dansbury and, because of his role as chairman of the planning commission, Joseph Sucher.

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## Judge Pierce for teens' sake

We wish every parent could sit down and have a cup of coffee with Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Judge Lynne Pierce. She will tell you things you need to know.

Having served 12 years on the bench, Pierce is seeking her fourth four-year term. She has presided over hundreds of jury trials and thousands of bench trials. She is also the Grosse Pointe Shores municipal judge and a visiting judge in the Harper Woods and Macomb County district courts.

The Woods pays its judge \$20,000 a year to hold court one day a week and to be available 365/24/7 to do arraignments or sign warrants. She considers it her responsibility to be always available.

It's not part of her job description, but as a judge and mother, Pierce is committed to the youth in our community.

She, with Grosse Pointe Woods youth officer Dan Koerber, founded the Critical Life Choices program for freshmen at Grosse Pointe North High School. Through the program, the young teens discuss and stage what-if scenarios involving alcohol and other drugs and sex.

Pierce would rather interact with the students in school than in her courtroom.

Not only do teens need to learn how to make the right choices, but they also have to avoid temptation in the first place.

"Kids have too much unsupervised time and access to alcohol and other drugs," she said. "There is no safe haven for children these days. No matter how well they are raised, they will find themselves in bad

situations."

Pierce advises teens to leave or call home for a ride when they find themselves at an unsupervised party — regardless whether alcohol is present. She also gives the same advice to teens who find themselves at an adult-supervised party where alcohol is allowed. (It happens more often than we would like to believe.)

Even if the teen has been drinking or using other drugs, "the consequences are far less when you call your parents than when you don't," Pierce said.

Basically, there are three groups of kids, she says. The first group is not tempted to explore alcohol, drugs or sex. The third group comprises teens who will do so no matter what they are told. It's the group in the middle we need to reach, she said.

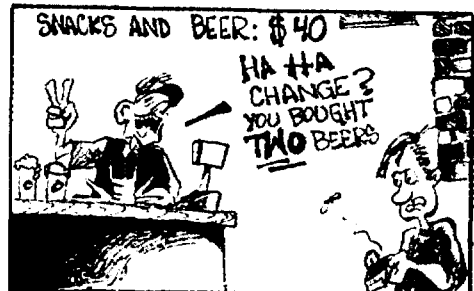
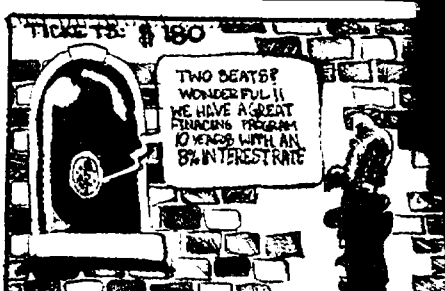
Sex and adolescence are a bad combination. "Many teenagers allow themselves to be put in situations which they are not equipped to deal with," Pierce said.

The judge even talks to parents. She tells them they do not have to let their kids go to Cancun. Parents should not feel reluctant to call the parents of their teens' friends.

Pierce does not have a private law practice. When she is not in a courtroom, she is talking with parents and teens and being a mom.

"I feel I have the confidence of the community," she said. "There are people who don't like me, but that goes with being a judge. I think I've shown to everyone my dedication and interest to the community."

We agree and urge Grosse Pointe Woods voters to overwhelmingly show their support for our judge, Judge Lynne Pierce.



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at [phands@grossepointenews.com](mailto:phands@grossepointenews.com) or go to [www.philtoons.com](http://www.philtoons.com)

## Majority rule in the Farms

By Joseph Fromm

I wish to state two things at the onset:

One, I have no intentions of running for mayor.

Two, I am a firm supporter of Proposal A, the Joseph Amendment.

The voters are confused between the two ballot proposals for the election of mayor, and many people have asked me about them.

As I see it, there are at least three big differences between Proposal A (the "Joseph Amendment") and Proposal B (the "City Council" amendment):

Difference 1: Proposal A was placed on the ballot by more than 500 signatures from registered voters in the Farms. Five members of the Farms City Council placed Proposal B on the ballot.

Difference 2: In Proposal A, the mayor will be elected by a majority (50 percent or more) of the voters. If more than two candidates run for mayor, a primary will be held, and two candidates will be on the ballot.

In Proposal B, up to 11 people (eight running for council and three incumbent council members) could run for mayor. The odds of one person receiving more than 50 percent of the votes is highly unlikely, which means the mayor will be elected into office by a minority of the voters.

Difference 3: In Proposal A, people cannot run for council and mayor at the same time, which is the fundamental part of our democratic society. In Proposal B, up to eight people can run for council and mayor at the same time.

At the League of Women Voters meeting earlier this month, Councilman Terry Davis commented that in prior mayoral elections in the other Pointes, mayoral candidates ran unopposed. He opined that Proposal B was better because it encouraged more people to run.

I disagree. As stated above, under Proposal A a mayor will be elected by more than 50 percent of the voters. Under Proposal B, it is highly unlikely one candidate will receive 50 percent of the votes.

What is wrong if a mayor is doing a good job as mayor, and no one chooses to run against him or her? Why is it better to have many people running for mayor, but none of them can win with more than 50 percent of the votes?

Joseph Fromm is a former mayor of Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Letters

### Demeaning

To the Editor:

I was dismayed to read your article about state GOP chair (Betsy) DeVos' speech at the Eastside Republican Club dinner ("State GOP Chair DeVos Goes After Gov. Granholm," Oct. 16).

I found your characterization of Ms. DeVos' comments as a "one-sided cat fight" offensive and demeaning to both Ms. DeVos and Gov. (Jennifer) Granholm. By using the term "cat fight" to refer to a disagreement between these women, you are essentially demeaning the importance of what was said and who these two women are.

I can't help but wonder if

you would refer to disagreement between a male Democrat and former Gov. John Engler as a "cock fight." Somehow I doubt it.

Loraleigh Keashly  
Harper Woods

### Thanks, Rich!

To the Editor:

Diogenes, the Greek philosopher, is said to have walked the streets of his city searching for an honest man. Centuries later, he would have found him in the person of Richard Solak, city manager of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rich has announced his retirement after faithfully serving our city for 31 years. As a private citizen, I have

observed that while making sure all facets work in harmony, he never sacrificed his integrity. Yet he and his wife Nancy have made huge sacrifices in their personal lives to serve our city. He even groomed his successor, Shane Reeside, these many years so that the transition will be flawless.

Although there doesn't seem to be much fanfare at his decision to retire, I want him to know that his work has not gone unappreciated. We have one of the best cities in the world due largely to the care of the power behind the throne.

Thank you Rich Solak!

Ron and Donna Carloni  
Grosse Pointe Farms



# We'll help regain the cup!

Dear Ryder Cup Patron: You have been selected in the drawing to purchase the tickets listed above to the 35th Ryder Cup Matches.

Listed above were two week-long International Pavilion passes for next Sept. 14-19 at Oakland Hills Country Club.

Cool! We love golf. I actually do something that physically resembles golf, if vaguely. My wife, Terry, is smarter. She considers golf a spectator sport.

I'm not sure why she likes

golf. At first, I just thought she was patiently, indulgently going along with one of her husband's newest fads. At least this one was harmless and could be construed as exercise.

Maybe that is how her interest started, but now she knows the tour players better than I do.

She can't stand Sergio Garcia or Colin Montgomerie, both of whom have yet to make the Ryder Cup Matches. Her favorites are Tiger, Davis Love, Phil Mickelson and Jack Nicklaus.

(My mother couldn't stand Nick Faldo.)

Anyway, all the favorites should be at Oakland Hills next year. We can't wait. The best part is that we can drive home each day after the matches. (We may stay on the west side Saturday



night, though.)

The Ryder Cup Matches are held every other year, pitting U.S. players against a European team. It's very competitive, bringing out the nationalistic fever on both sides. It's usually good natured, but it can get ugly. We hope that's not the case next year.

There were supposed to be Ryder Cup Matches in September 2001, but that was canceled for obvious

reasons. I still have a 2001 Ryder Cup hat and shirt I bought that somber September at Faldo's golf school in Orlando.

The U.S. Ryder Cup Team is chosen by points compiled by the PGA of America, which players accumulate from Jan. 3, 2002, through Aug. 15, 2004. The top-10 finishers on the points list qualify for the 12-man team. U.S. captain Hal Sutton will select the two final players

to complete the team.

The current 2004 U.S. Ryder Cup standings and points are:

1. WOODS, Tiger 1,225,000
2. FURYK, Jim 774,479
3. LOVE III, Davis 586,250
4. PERRY, Kenny 571,607
5. MICKELSON, Phil 550,250
6. TOMS, David 496,375
7. FUNK, Fred 358,625
8. RILEY, Chris 322,500
9. CAMPBELL, Chad 321,250
10. KELLY, Jerry 298,625

The European Ryder Cup standings as of Oct. 20 are:

1. WESTWOOD, Lee 59.88
2. JIMENEZ, Miguel Ange 51.70
3. LAPEBER, Maarten 44.55
4. JACQUELIN, Raphaël 33.73

5. CLARKE, Darren 32.74
6. POULTER, Ian 32.60
7. HOWELL, David 26.87
8. FASTH, Niclas 25.59
9. GRONBERG, Mathias 24.33
10. DAVIS, Brian 18.89.

A record 102,000 ticket requests were turned in for the random drawing, which ensures a sellout for the matches at Oakland Hills. The gallery will be limited to 38,000 per day. Unlike previous Ryder Cup Matches, daily tickets were sold this year.

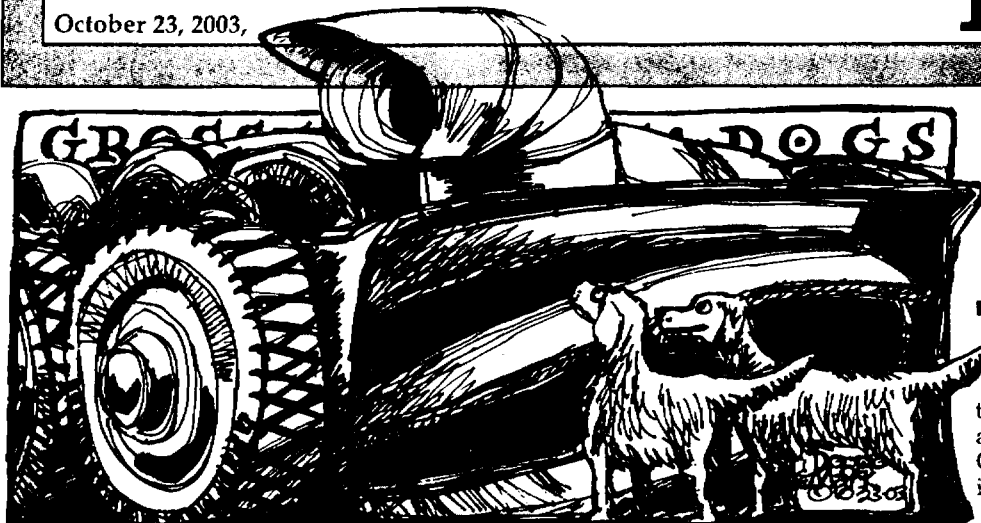
Sutton will try to win back the cup for the U.S. In 2002, Europe scored a stunning 15 1/2 to 12 1/2 victory in 34th Ryder Cup Matches at The Belfry in England.

Next year, we'll be there to help our U.S. team regain the cup!

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# The Op-Ed Page



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## Streetwise

### Question of the Week:

Do you have plans to attend any performances at the new Max M. Fisher Music Center this season?



Joe Sprys

"I've already been there. I went to the Smokey Robinson concert. I saw him two years ago at the Macomb Center, and I thought this show was twice as good. I also have season tickets to the DSO."

Joe Sprys  
St. Clair Shores

"I probably will go. I don't have any plans right now."

Ted Monahan  
Grosse Pointe Farms



Ted Monahan



Jim Boettcher

"I imagine I will be going. When, I'm not sure."

Jim Boettcher  
Grosse Pointe Farms

"Probably not, because I have a newborn."

Michelle Klekamp  
Grosse Pointe Farms



Michelle Klekamp



Anita Sandercott

"I usually try to get to one DSO performance each year. I'm looking forward to it. I hear it's wonderful."

Anita Sandercott  
Grosse Pointe Woods

"I don't know. I don't have any plans. I'll probably go online to see what's on the schedule."

Sally Serrano  
Harper Woods



Sally Serrano

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](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com)

## fyi

by Ben Burns



### Ambassador

The job title doesn't matter; Harvey Hilgendorf is an ambassador of good will. On Nov. 7 he will have put in 37 years at that post as he makes his daily rounds dealing one on one with the residents of the Farms, "going above the call of duty," making sure everything is in its place and smiling as he goes.

In some fancy settings, his politically correct title might be "sanitation engineer." In others, he would be called a "trash hauler," and in olden days we called his position, "the garbage man." But in Grosse Pointe Farms his job classification, according to City Hall's Marge Foster is simply "laborer."

Any number of Farms residents have called to tell city officials about how much pride Harvey takes in his work, but let Annie Faust, who has been on the receiving end of Harvey's labors for 16 years, tell you about it.

"It's Tuesday morning, which means trash pickup on Moran Road. And as usual Harvey Hilgendorf was here to pick up. Whenever Harvey picks up my trash, the barrels are always put back in the same spot, lids on tight, no unsightly garbage that

might have fallen out left behind. Everything neat and tidy.

"I called Grosse Pointe Farms offices to tell them just how much I appreciated having such a conscientious and meticulous worker, and the receptionist suggested that I write Rich Solak, the city manager, to let him know what a great job Harvey does. Great suggestion, but I decided that Rich Solak shouldn't be the only person who knows how great Harvey is. Everyone should know and, in fact, I figured I was writing this letter for just about everyone who ever had Harvey as trash collector."

"So, Rich, I want you to know Harvey Hilgendorf does a great job. And thank you, Harvey, for being the best. Neat. Conscientious. Dependable. And always with a smile. We really appreciate all that you do for us."

### Virus buster

John Camp, computer guru at Wayne State University, reports that the school's computer system gets attacked by computer viruses as many as 500,000 times per week. Most of them are quickly detected and killed by the high powered defense system.

### Three and out

Since the Grosse Pointe Newcomers Club figures that you ought to be settled in after three years, Louise Thomas reports that after 36 months, it's "hasta la vista, baby!"

But those suffering from withdrawal symptoms can join the Grosse Pointe Newcomers Alumni Club. And those who never belonged to the Newcomers, but have been around a few years, can also join the social group.

You will have to help plan at least one of the parties each year, according to presidential couple Ron and Ginger Morketter.

Past outings have included mystery bus rides, croquet tournaments, Halloween parties, clam bakes and trips to live performances.

The next party is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Crescent Sail Yacht Club and will be chaired by Flo Seltzer. If you are interested, call the Morketters at (313) 824-3739.

### Who's Who

John Robert Dickerson, formerly of Grosse Pointe, will be included in the 2004 edition

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## Points about the Pointes

The safety net of good old film negatives... what will replace them in our digital age?

As many of you know, I am a strong proponent of using the incredible, new technology around us to allow us to better communicate with the people in our community who control its destiny.

This weekend, I was organizing some old photographs of our store as it was in the late 60s, when I first starting working as a stock boy for Carl Joyner and our store was called Studio Camera. Looking at these pictures, I remembered the excitement the years that the first automatic metering cameras, the first auto focus cameras and the first video cameras were introduced. The technological advances we have made in storing images in the past five years dwarf those of the prior thirty years.

Despite these monumental changes, the goal of our customers and the reason for our existence has not changed. We exist to help our customers save a special moment so they can look back and enjoy the memory with their friends and family.

Our digital age has brought some inherent dangers, as only 20% of the digital pictures taken are ever actually turned into prints. Most digital camera owners assume the only way to get prints from

their images is by laboriously printing them at home one at a time. These ink jet prints can be ruined by a moist hand or with a only drop of water from an excited viewer. The challenge we face is to educate our customers that these digital images can be turned into real, honest to goodness archival photos in only an hour at the same price as a regular photo from a negative!

Because of our rushed lives and the time it takes to make a home grown print, the sole records of our past instead end up on the "honey to do" list. The danger this brings is that unlike a print made from a negative, in a millisecond, all of life's memories can be wiped off our computers, leaving us with a void in our lives and the lives of our children that can never be filled.

The solution to our technology-created dilemma? Create a safety net. Store your image files on a CD and away from your computer. Make a real photographic print from your images and save your special memories like the good old days!

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# Lucido Fine

By Annemarie Cronin

## The Present

Happiness comes sometimes in a small box, a memento that book-marks an event or a moment of transition in our lives. A daughter gets a strand of pearls for graduation. An anniversary gets marked and marked again with a necklace, a ring, a glittering little something that says "I still love you." And as "I still love you" echoes through time, a million rings will be offered as a seal of commitment and a million more hearts will melt



Customer Mary Ann DeGennaro

when they open that small box, that token from a loved one that marks an occasion or defines a feeling.

We buy jewelry, we wear jewelry, we pass it on. It becomes a part of our lives and a legacy to a future generation. A memento that carries a message. A watch from a father to a son. A tradition that transcends explanation.

Some things have not changed. What has changed is the experience of how we buy things. As we work more and time becomes the ultimate luxury, the assembly line store, the help-yourself showcases and the inhuman Internet offer a cold and commercial experience in a self-service arena. The salesman has become the hard-to-find commodity in today's self-serve world, and I am alone in the department store and on the Internet.

"This is not how people want to buy



jewelry," says Vincent Lucido, who together with his brother Joe owns

Lucido Fine Jewelry in Sterling Heights. You have to love jewelry to sell it well, but you have to love people more.

In a time besotted by recession and economic setbacks, Lucido Jewelry erupted into the marketplace and is enjoying a burgeoning business that continues at a fast pace to capture the consumer's fancy with a bold new presence in jewelry retailing.

As with all successful business, there is an ideology, a paradigm, a force, a presence, a figurehead that sets the tenor and breathes life into all that follows. Sometimes, it's two partners that play off one another and create a singular and unique personality that is the blueprint for doing business. Sometimes it was the influence of the father that made the son who he is today.

In 1980, Vincent Lucido started in what would become his career and life's blood, as do many prominent figures, as an errand boy. From these inauspicious beginnings the seeds of passion took root and he immersed himself from that day forward in learning his trade. Taking courses at gemology institutes and apprenticing with master jewelers he became more and more immersed in what would later become a vocation rather than a career. Soon his enthusiasm for the business would lead him to managing a well-respected jewelry store in a prominent retail location. Still, an angel was over his shoulder.

Vince had discovered something in his pursuit of understanding jewelry and how it is made. Apart from the hard, raw materials of diamond, platinum and gemstones, and the artistic vision required to create a custom piece, something was missing. Vince needed a magician. Someone whose sleight of hand could add another dimension to the precariously delicate setting of fine stones and pave diamonds. This is when he pulled his younger brother Joseph out of a career as a professional magician.

Joe had played at the Magic Castle in Hollywood, had studied with the best of them, and had had his hand in the black top hat since he was a young kid. He much preferred the spotlight and the applause of an audience to working behind a desk. Still his brother needed someone with highly evolved manual dexterity and a perspective on

Joe joined his brother in the jewelry business within a year.

In 1987 the opportunity presented itself to purchase a well-established jewelry store in Sterling Heights, four miles south of the present location. DeMas Jewelry had been in business since 1928 and when the Lucidos took over they increased the space from 1,500 to 3,000 sq. ft. and set about building their own identity.

Eventually, serendipity took them past a parcel of land that was for sale, and three years ago they moved to their present location in November and formally changed the name of the store to Lucido Fine Jewelry.

## The Legacy

Joseph Lucido, Sr. owned for many years a collision shop on 6 mile and Van Dyke. Like all second-generation immigrant families he had learned the lessons of hard work and understood the precarious nature and pitfalls of owning your own business. In 1987, the brothers persuaded their father to join them as a consultant and advisor. "Dad had a heart condition," Vincent remembers. "He used to send a lot of people here, he continues reflecting on how important his father was in the formation of the formidable building that now stands on the southwest corner of 19 Mile and Schoenherr.

"We succeed because we are not afraid to stay here 20 hours a day," Vincent explains when asked how it was that success came so quickly. "Dad taught us how to treat people. How to be kind. To treat people with respect no matter how they dress



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and how much money they have," he reflects when remembering his father who sadly passed away last May.

A visitor to the store would have



sensed this philosophy right away. Although the store is large and expansive, 7,500 square feet of open space with natural light tumbling in through large picture windows enveloping the building, there is a calmness that mingles with the richness of the interior. There is nothing intimidating here.



David Yurman Collection

The mind moves to understand why this works, why I want to stay longer, why I feel totally welcome here. And then I understand. This was a carefully planned architecture, not only of structure but also of atmosphere. A nationally known architect with many famous jewelry stores to his credit was engaged to design the store. The mandate was simple. To create an ambiance that was as inviting to the construction worker as it would be to the duchess. And they more than



succeeded in achieving this vision. The \$250,000 canary diamond ring sits innocuously in the showcase next to a trinket of far lesser pomp and circumstance. The eye moves across showcase after showcase of intermingling property from every level of interest and price. And all of it is a feast to the senses. Certainly one notices the spectacular array of Rolex watches and the enormously impressive collection of David Yurman jewelry. And as exclusive dealers and distributors for Scott Kay Sterling and Jacob and Co. watches, a certain cachet of customers who will settle for nothing but the best will always be in the crowd and around those showcases. Nonetheless, the sweet sixteen locket, the cameo brooch, the simple strand of pearls will not be outdone or overshadowed. The Crown Jewels will take their place in the showcase along with the daisy chain.

A little Lucite pyramid perches near the front window with the tiniest of silver pieces, some so precious and small they could get lost in your palm. Here sits the cleverly conceived collection of David Yurman Baby. A chance to give a simple piece of silver to celebrate a birth.

For those who prefer solitude while trying on a watch or examining a diamond, there are private rooms that encircle the store where couples can look at bridal jewelry or where duchesses can try on tiaras in complete privacy. Nothing has been missed in the quest to provide comfort to the guest.

John Sakelaris came to the store six years ago as a customer. He is now one of the managers. "I started as a shopper," he explains. "And they bent over backwards." Inspired by the treatment he received, he now carries on the tradition of customer service above all in his daily dealings. Another manager, Sandy Rubino, explains the philosophy, "It's a family oriented business where we care about the customer, whether it is the small guy with the jewelry repair or the \$10,000 customer." It works because the owners are invested not only in the customers, but in the employees as well. There is laughter, and banter and respect. Three ingredients absolutely find-

mental to the functioning of any store and eminently evident here.

"I would prefer that you don't purchase something if you're not comfortable," says Vince. "You have to be comfortable. It's very important," he adds as if not stressing enough the paramount rule of customer satisfaction. "We take it back with a smile," he says when asked about the return policy. "Our customers are the most important thing. Without them, we are nothing."

Remembering a lady who bought a ring from him many years prior and who has followed him from store to store, Vince stresses the company's appreciation of customer loyalty.

"It's people like her who have supported us that have brought us to where we are today."

I will give you a token and you will remember and cherish it. A smile, a handshake, a promise, loyalty. You give it and it comes back to you again and again. It never leaves.

A photograph hangs on the wall in a prominent place. Everyone coming to the store will see it. Two brothers and their father. "Our father was our partner, our best friend, and our father," Vince reminisces. "It was a terrible loss."

Someone once said, "Respect is what you have to give in order to get." This is from where all things start and all things that flourish will have this edict at their core.

It is something you sense at that first encounter. Something that was taught at an early age. Something that was handed down.

Happiness is something ethereal, intangible, elusive. We chase after it, but we can never own it entirely. It is a gift. Sometimes, though, it can come in a small box, a memento that says "I still love you," and echoes through time.

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## Remingtons rifled

Four firearms were stolen from a residence in the 1700 block of Vernier sometime last week between Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 6 a.m. and Saturday, Oct. 18, at 10 a.m. Grosse Pointe Woods officers discovered pry marks on a gun case that had contained two Remington rifles, a Japanese military .31-caliber rifle and a 12-gauge Franchi shotgun. The owner said the weapons were worth \$400 each.

Also missing were two scopes made by Weaver and Bushnell.

## Picking on kids

Grosse Pointe Woods police are looking for a teenage male wearing black

spiked hair who witnesses said sprayed a 9-year-old crossing guard in the eye with unknown contents of an aerosol can. The victim was not injured.

The incident happened on Thursday, Oct. 16, between 3:30 and 3:45 p.m., at the corner of Hollywood and Goethe.

A witness said the attacker wore a black hooded sweatshirt and jeans. Police said the aerosol can was about 4 to 6 inches long, black with silver trim and green lettering. The contents smelled "kind of perfumy," said a young witness.

## Theft

### witnessed

A Harper Woods resident saw an unknown man steal a Toro snow blower from a

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garage in the 2000 block of Stanhope in Grosse Pointe Woods on Thursday, Oct. 16, shortly before 8 p.m.

The witness said the thief was wearing a jogging suit and drove away in a white 1991 Ford van. The van headed southbound on Chester to westbound Littlestone.

The homeowner also reported missing a Toro leaf blower.

## Caught in chase

Two Detroit males were caught after fleeing twice from Grosse Pointe Woods police shortly after midnight on Wednesday, Oct. 15.

The men had been pulled over in a car reported stolen from Detroit less than three hours earlier. The males, a 20-year-old driver and passenger, 14, abandoned the car in the 2000 block of Roslyn. The pair split up and ran between houses.

A short while later, officers met up with the suspects walking on eastbound Brys west of Mack. An officer ordered the pair to the ground. They complied but then got up and ran in different directions.

Harper Woods officers caught the 14-year-old near the corner of Brys and Helen.

Grosse Pointe Woods police caught the older suspect between houses in the 2000 block of Roslyn near Helen.

## Cars stolen

Two Chrysler products were stolen last week in Grosse Pointe Park.

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 4:40 p.m., a 2001 Dodge Intrepid was taken from a parking lot in the 15000 block of Mack.

On Saturday, Oct. 18, at 12:35 p.m., a 1988 Cordoba was taken from the 1400 block of Nottingham.

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 4:50 p.m., thieves failed to steal a 2004 Chrysler Sebring parked in a lot in the 1400 block of Kercheval. Police said the car door locks were damaged by a suspect

who left the scene in a dark green Chevy Trailblazer.

## Vehicles entered

During the night of Saturday, Oct. 18, a Bosch tool kit was stolen from a Ford truck parked in the 700 block of Barrington in Grosse Pointe Park.

In another incident, a Kenwood radio-compact disc player was stolen from a car parked in the 1100 block of Lakepointe sometime between Tuesday, Oct. 14, and Thursday, Oct. 16.

## Stolen bikes

Two bicycles were reported stolen last week in Grosse Pointe Park.

A boy's silver and black 15-speed mountain bike was taken from a rear yard in the 1400 block of Buckingham on Monday, Oct. 13, between 6:45 and 7:10 p.m.

On Sunday, Oct. 19, between 8 and 11:40 a.m., a men's 24-inch mountain bike was removed from a garage in the 800 block of Beaconsfield.

## .164 % BAL

At 2:59 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18, a 57-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man admitted consuming at least four drinks before getting behind the wheel of his white, 1997 Chrysler four-door.

A Woods officer stopped the man upon seeing his car weaving down the 1000 block of eastbound Cook. The car drifted over the center line and scraped the right curb.

A Breathalyzer test indicated a .164 percent blood alcohol content.

The incident was the first of several drunken driving cases that night in the Woods.

## .14 % BAL

Shortly after 3 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19, a Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officer was cruising westbound Vernier when he turned around and tailed a gray and black 1992 Ford

pickup heading eastbound on Grosse Pointe Shores.

As the pickup turned onto Lakeshore, the Woods officer pulled the driver over on suspicion of drunken driving. A test conducted about an hour later registered the man's blood alcohol level of .14 percent.

## .137 % BAL

At 3:30 a.m., on Saturday, Oct. 18, Grosse Pointe Woods police determined that a 19-year-old driver had a blood alcohol level of .137 percent. Officers were investigating the man, a Woods resident, for drunken driving in the area of Vernier and Tobles Lane.

## .273 % BAL

A woman was arrested for drunken driving last week-end after nearly mowing down a Grosse Pointe Woods policeman.

On Saturday, Oct. 18, a few minutes before 5 a.m., the officer was standing in an unlit section of southbound Mack near construction barricades protecting construction equipment being used for the water main installation.

The woman, who lives in Grosse Pointe Park and drives a Burgundy, 1995 Saturn four-door, registered a .273 percent blood alcohol level.

Officers found a spilled glass of suspected alcohol in her car.

## .08 % BAL

A 25-year-old Detroit man was found passed out in the driver seat of his idling vehicle on northbound Harper near Allard on Saturday, Oct. 18, at 6:55 a.m.

Two passers-by were on the scene when a Grosse Pointe Woods patrolman arrived.

"I attempted to awaken the driver by pounding on the window and shouting," the officer said. "I could see he was breathing."

Upon using a special tool to unlock the driver's side door, officers smelled alcohol coming from the passenger compartment. An officer switched off the engine by removing the ignition keys.

A test showed the man had a blood alcohol level of .08 percent. He was arrested

for drunken driving. Officers said the man's driver's license had been suspended eight times.

## Locker theft

Someone broke into a 14-year-old high school student's locker last week and stole her medium-sized North Face gray and black coat, a Nokia cellular telephone and a wallet containing \$50.

The incident occurred in the 700 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Police were informed of the theft on Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 9:22 a.m.

## Anniversaries

The following officers are celebrating anniversaries with the Grosse Pointe Park public safety department:

- OEO Kimberly Scanlan, two years and
- PSO Jeffrey Longo, 11 years.

— Brad Lindberg

## Dog day afternoon

The Grosse Pointe Shores Department of Public Safety received numerous calls about two dogs swimming in Lake St. Clair just south of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club around 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 14.

The dogs' owner arrived when officers were trying to retrieve the animals from the water. The officers advised the owner of the village's running at large ordinance and gave him one week to purchase dog licenses.

## Two-car chase

Police from St. Clair Shores to Grosse Pointe Park had an unsuccessful pursuit of two people who stole two vehicles early morning on Wednesday, Oct. 15.

The chase originated in St. Clair Shores around 4:30 a.m. where the unknown suspected car thieves made off with a gold Chrysler Sebring. Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Farms officers followed the car along Lakeshore until

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Public safety

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they lost sight of it in the City of Grosse Pointe.

A resident in the 800 block of Notre Dame in the City was awakened by her dog barking at her 1993 Jeep Cherokee backing out of the driveway. It is believed the suspects swapped the Sebring, which was left in front of the house from where the Jeep was taken.

Park public safety officers lost track of the suspects in the Jeep on Mack near Dickerson, where it was traveling in excess of 85 mph.

Mood swings

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers proved once again that a routine traffic stop can be dangerous.

Officers pulled over a 33-year-old Southfield man for speeding and tailgating on Lakeshore near Provençal at 10:08 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15. Officers arrested the man when they discovered the man's auto insurance expired and that he had three driver's license suspensions and was wanted on a child neglect warrant out of Ottawa County.

The man got combative with officers at the station when they asked him to end a lengthy phone call with his girlfriend and told him his car would be impounded. Officers placed the man in a holding cell.

The man became combative again when an officer escorted the man's girlfriend to the cell to deliver a medication for a mood disorder. The man bit the officer in the hand.

The man was then placed in flex cuffs, which he broke. He then went after an officer with a metal object, which was later discovered to be a metal plate from a sprinkler head in the holding cell.

The man was then taken

to Detroit Receiving Hospital for treatment.

More damage

A 17-year-old Detroit male may have been asking for trouble when he was caught driving with a broken tail light on Lakeshore near Oxford on Thursday, Oct. 16.

He may have deserved to have his car towed when officers discovered he did not have a driver's license and expired and had improper plates on the car. It's doubtful if he deserved to have his car damaged.

While the youth's blue 1980 Chevrolet was being pulled onto a flatbed trailer, the car slid down the ramp and 20 feet down the road until it hit and caused moderate damage to a Grosse Pointe Shores patrol car.

Dirty prank

The bike of a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Park boy parked at a Grosse Pointe Parks high school bike rack was covered with feces after school on Thursday, Oct. 16. School administrators were also notified about the incident.

Walk in the dark

City of Grosse Pointe officers couldn't charge a 31-year-old Detroit man for suspicious activities on Thursday, Oct. 16, but they did charge him for two outstanding warrants.

An officer saw the man walk into a back yard of a house in the 800 block of Neff at 10:30 p.m. The officer found the man a few minutes later at Mack and Neff.

The man told the officer he went into the yard because he thought he was being followed. However, the officer discovered he was wanted on a \$2,671 Friend

of the Court warrant out of Wayne County and a \$359 misdemeanor warrant out of Detroit.

The man paid the bonds and was released two hours later.

Wild drinker

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers had their hands full with a drunken driver on Friday, Oct. 17.

An officer saw a red 2003 Jaguar speeding in excess of 67 mph on eastbound Lakeshore at the Village limit just after 1:30 a.m. When officers pulled the car over on Lakeshore near Willison and asked for the 33-year-old St. Clair Shores resident for her identification and paperwork, she threw her wallet at him and said, "Find it yourself."

During the investigation, the woman made a vulgar comment to an officer and tried to walk into traffic.

The woman failed a set of field sobriety tests and recorded a blood alcohol level between .19 percent and .20 percent. She was released at 10:30 a.m. on \$100 bond.

Drink, drive, crash

Alcohol may have been a factor in a rear-end collision on westbound Lakeshore at Vernier in Grosse Pointe Shores on Saturday, Oct. 18.

The Tecumseh man, driving a red 1996 Lincoln rear ended a 38-year-old St. Clair Shores woman in a white 2003 Nissan Maxima who was stopped at a red light at the intersection.

While investigating the accident, a public safety officer detected the smell of intoxicants on the man. It was found the man had a blood alcohol level between .13 percent and .14 percent.

No one was injured in the accident.

Party host busted

A 17-year-old City of Grosse Pointe male was cited for zero tolerance and refusing to take an alcohol breath test when City public safety officers visited his house early morning Sunday, Oct. 19.

Officers were called to the house at 12:35 a.m. to respond to noise complaints at the house on Cranford Lane. Officers asked to talk to the youth after they saw several youths drinking beer in the house and on the patio.

The youth, who smelled of intoxicants and had slurred speech, became argumentative and ordered the officers to leave his house. The officers did after writing the citations.

All the guests fled the house before they could be questioned.

Car-bike accident

A 13-year-old City of Grosse Pointe boy was in stable condition with a concussion at a local hospital at press time after he was hit by a car on his way to school in the 600 block of Washington in the City on Monday, Oct. 20.

According to Public Safety Director Al Fincham, the boy was the third of four boys riding northbound in the street. The unidentified driver swerved and struck the youth head-on.

"He went up over the hood of the car, landing on his school backpack, which cushioned the injury," Fincham said.

Fincham said the driver said she had a windshield obstruction at the time of the accident.

— Bonnie Caprara

City sets official witching hours

By Bonnie Caprara  
Staff Writer


The City of Grosse Pointe has deemed 5:30 to 8 p.m. to be the official witching hours on Halloween night. "These are guidelines for safe trick-or-treating," said Al Fincham, the City's director of public safety. "The longer they stay out, the higher potential there is for accidents."

Fincham suggested that residents turn off porch lights and have children return home by 8 p.m.

The City is the second community in the Pointes to establish trick-or-treating hours. Grosse Pointe Park has had similar guidelines in place for the past five years.

If 2 1/2 hours isn't enough time to celebrate Halloween, children 12 and under are invited to festivities in the Village hosted by the Grosse Pointe Village Association.

Merchants will pass out candy, and the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library will pass out books from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. The City Parks and Recreation Department will hold activities from 4:45 to 6 p.m. Activities include a pumpkin patch walk and a professional photographer who will take pictures for a fee. There will also be a costume contest where winners will be selected for scariest, funniest, most original, most beautiful and best homemade costumes. Kercheval in the Village will be closed to traffic from 2 to 6 p.m.



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# LWV sponsor HW city council candidate discussion

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

The League of Women Voters sponsored a discussion forum at the Harper Woods Community Center for city council candidates on Thursday, Oct. 16. Members of the audience submitted questions, and the candidates offered their views.

The candidates include incumbents Michael Monaghan, Cheryl Costantino and Hugh Marshall and newcomers Paula Lancaster and Patrick Boland. The election is Tuesday, Nov. 4 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The discussion was lively and spirited with the incumbents generally defending their record of achievement and the newcomers couching their campaigns as more open alternatives to the current council. Lancaster talked

about making the council more accessible to the public by broadcasting meetings and creating a Web site. Boland adamantly echoed Lancaster's sentiment, saying he would have town hall meetings every Wednesday morning. He also criticized the board for not speaking out as citizens on the school bond issue.

The questions ranged from questions about Kelly Road and Eastland to the library and city services to seniors and safety. They are as follows:

**Q:** What is your position on creating a commission for community services in Harper Woods?

**A:** Lancaster said she would support such a commission.

Boland said the question suggests that current services are not adequate and

that he would look into it if elected.

Marshall said such a commission has already been implemented with individual boards.

Costantino agreed, citing the Recreation Advisory Board but said a more streamlined system would be useful.

**Q:** I do think it would be a good idea to have a one stop shop commission," Costantino said.

Monaghan also said there are boards that offer services.

**Q:** What is your position on library renovation?

**A:** All of the candidates were in favor of library renovation.

"It's outdated and antiquated and has outlived its functional usefulness," said Marshall.

**Q:** When will parking on Kelly be addressed and what kinds of businesses do you want on the street?

**A:** The incumbents said the issue has been addressed aggressively.

"I've been really into this issue," said Costantino. "It's going to be nicer looking."

Monaghan said the road will be resurfaced next summer. Monaghan and Costantino said they would like to see more professional office space on the street.

Lancaster said she does not shop often on Kelly and would like to see the businesses upgraded by, for instance, adding inviting cafes.

Boland said he wants to improve Kelly insofar as it improves the health, safety and welfare of the community.

**Q:** What will you do to rectify the unsightly fence on Eastwood and Eight Mile?

**A:** All candidates said the issue needed to be addressed.

"It is somewhat of an eyesore," said Marshall. "I'll take a look at it," said Monaghan.

**Q:** How will you balance

the needs of the community with the needs of seniors?

**A:** "I think we need to take needs of all citizens into account," Lancaster said. Marshall said the question requires a delicate balance: more city services are costly for seniors on fixed incomes, but with top-rate services, property values will go up.

"We are trying to make it more livable for seniors," said Costantino.

"We do things to be fiscally responsible to the taxpayers of Harper Woods," said Monaghan. "We do our best not to raise taxes."

**Q:** How will you ease the burden of high water bills?

**A:** Costantino said by reducing the cost of refuse, the burden from the water bill would be lessened.

Monaghan said the council is trying to keep water rates down.

Marshall said the city is ready to offer advice on water conservation.

Boland said it's a significant issue, and he added at this time that the council needs to address the issue of the school bond.

Marshall countered his assertion by saying the issue was not under the council's jurisdiction by law.

Boland disagreed with Marshall.

"The school issue was the most important issue that we've had in four or five years. As citizens, they had a civic duty. It's derelict for them to not take a stance," Boland said.

**Q:** How will the new stores at Eastland help with the tax base?

**A:** Monaghan and Marshall said the stores would help with the tax base.

"I'm pleased to see the new stores come in," said Lancaster.

Boland said he was happy with the new stores but that the council should be aware

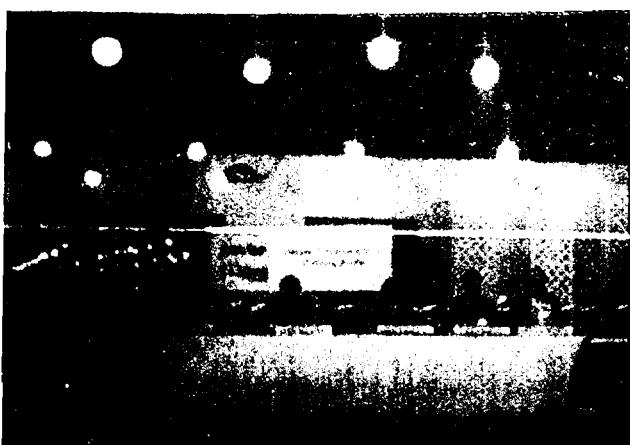


Photo by Carrie Cunningham

Five candidates running for three city council seats faced off in a forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters. Ken Poynter was additionally present. From the left are Michael Monaghan, Cheryl Costantino, Hugh Marshall, Paula Lancaster, Patrick Boland and Poynter.

credit for their moving into Eastland. He also said the new stores should reserve a certain number of jobs for Harper Woods residents.

Costantino said the council did have a role in helping the businesses come into the city by helping them get tax credits.

"That was a big deal, and this was accomplished by our council," Costantino said.

The council also worked on removing asbestos from the old J.C. Penny building where Sears now resides, Costantino said.

**Q:** There was a child hurt on Woodland from an accident. What will you do to ensure safety in this area.

**A:** The incumbents said the issue will be addressed, and the newcomers said they were pleased action would be taken.

At the close of the session, the candidates offered reasons of why they should be elected and talked about their priorities.

"It's very important to keep things stable and to make sure that the council is aware of the needs of the community," said Lancaster.

Costantino said her no. 1 one priority is keeping residents safe, and her no. 2 priority is keeping them happy.

"Our city council is well known throughout Michigan as a beacon of leaders," Costantino said. "We've got proven leaders and proven results."

"We have leadership. We're cohesive, unified and qualified," said Marshall.

"I'm a proactive leader," said Boland. "I will be more accountable."

Monaghan concurred with the other two incumbents.

"We've accomplished many things because we've acted as a team," Monaghan said. "I hope you'll support us."

In his opening statement for the session, Mayor Ken Poynter said the people in Harper Woods are unique and dear to his heart.

"I like being your mayor because I love this city," Poynter said.

While they have some different viewpoints and occasionally combative stances, it is nonetheless clear that all of the candidates love the city too.

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 6, 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 Councilman Daniel S. Palmer.

### MOTIONS PASSED

- To excuse Councilman Daniel S. Palmer from tonight's meeting due to a prior commitment.
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on September 15, 2003, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting held September 10, 2003, the Planning Commission Meeting held September 24, 2003 and the Beautification Meeting held on September 29, 2003.
- To approve the 2004 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on October 6, October 13, October 27 if needed, and further, to hold a public hearing on the Budget on October 20 and November 3, 2003.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council Meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

### RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- To approve the following items in the Consent Agenda:
  - Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 68339 through 68606 in the amount of \$1,174,153.29 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
  - Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$9,343.17 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of August, 2003.
  - Approve the purchase of a Hursi Speeder tool from Apollo Fire Equipment in the amount of \$7,000.00 and further that competitive bidding be waived as Apollo is the sole source of this type of equipment.
  - Approve the purchase of a John Deere 4115 tractor with snow plow and hood guard in the amount of \$12,836.09 from AIS Equipment, Inc. and further that competitive bidding be waived as this was formally bid by the State of Michigan.
- To approve payment in the total amount of \$49,506.50 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain principal and interest, or \$13,898.65 on the 1999 Series Bond and \$35,607.85 principal and interest on the 1994 Series Bond.
- To approve payment in the amount of \$522,762.50 to Bank One, \$384,487.50 for the annual principal and interest on the 1995 General Obligation - Unlimited Tax Road Bond, \$107,750.00 for the annual interest on the 1999 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Road Bond and \$30,525.00 for the annual interest on the 2001 General Obligation - Unlimited Tax Road Bond.
- To approve the purchase of five (5) 2004 Ford Crown Victoria vehicles in the amount of \$98,953.00 through the Macomb County Extended Purchasing Agreement, and further, in that these vehicles were competitively bid by Macomb County that the City's formal competitive bidding process be waived.

Kenneth A. Poynter,  
Mayor

Mickey D. Todd,  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 10/23/2003

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS 2004 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Harper Woods, Michigan, will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M.  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M.  
TO BE HELD  
IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
OF CITY HALL  
19617 HARPER AVENUE  
HARPER WOODS, MI 48225

The purpose of these public hearings will be to receive public input and comment on the proposed 2004 Budget for the City's General and various other operating funds. The proposed levy upon the 2003 Tax Rolls for each \$1,000 of Real and Personal Property State taxable valuation is as follows:

FUND	CURRENT	PROPOSED	INCREASE -DECREASE
General Operation	17.6778	17.4586	-0.2192
Debt Retirement	2.50	2.50	0.00
Refuse Collection	2.00	2.00	0.00
Library Operation	0.9517	0.9399	-0.0118
TOTALS	23.1295	22.8985	-0.2310

SUMMARIES OF THE PROPOSED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE 2004 BUDGETED FUNDS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

General Fund	\$10,558,500
Major Street Fund	\$22,000
Local Street Fund	\$73,500
Water & Sewer Fund	\$2,450,000
Vehicle & Equipment Fund	\$975,000
Storm Drainage Fund	\$1,510,000
Refuse Collection Fund	\$1,100,000
Library Fund	\$435,400
Debt Retirement Fund	\$446,000
Self-Insurance Fund	\$1,000
Separation Pay Fund	\$1,000
Municipal Improvement Fund	\$100,000
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$1,100

## THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

A copy of the proposed 2004 Budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays in the office of the City Clerk, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48225-2095 (telephone 313/343-2510). All interested persons are invited to attend either or both of these public hearings.

City of Harper Woods  
Mickey D. Todd,  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 10/09/2003 & 10/23/2003

## Police Briefs

### Broken window

A man said he left his home in the 19200 block of Woodcrest at 8:25 a.m. When he returned at 11:35 a.m., he found someone had broken a side door window

of his home. Nothing was taken, and no tools used to break the window were found. Police were informed at 11:45 a.m. the same day.

### Car stolen

On Friday, Oct. 17, a man said he parked his car in a lot in the 19100 block of

Vernier. At 7:35 p.m., he found the car missing. His house keys were in the car as well as credit cards, checks and compact discs.

### CDs and disc player taken

On Sunday, Oct. 19, a woman said she parked her

car in the 21500 block of Prestwick. Later, she found items inside the car missing: a CD player, valued at \$350 and 150 CDs, worth \$1,700. She had the keys, and no damage was done to the car. A neighbor said he heard a car driving away from the area at 2 a.m.

### Car theft

A man parked his car in the 21200 block of Bournemouth on Sunday, Oct. 19 and later found it missing. He has the keys, and no one had permission to use the car. Nothing of value was in the car.

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

### OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN: Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on Tuesday, November 4, 2003 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for:

#### MAYOR

Two Year Term Expires 11/07/05

Kenneth A. Poynter  
Write-In

Vote For Not More Than One (1)

#### CITY COUNCIL

Four Year Term Expires 11/12/07

Patrick Michael Boland  
Cheryl Costantino  
Paula C. Lancaster  
Hugh Marshall  
Michael P. Monaghan

Write-In

Write-In

Write-In

Vote For Not More Than Three (3)

### GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDING PROPOSITION

SHALL the City of Harper Woods, County of Wayne, Michigan borrow the principal amount of not to exceed Three Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,100,000) and issue in one or more series its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, for the purpose of paying all or any part of the costs of renovations to the Main Level and Lower Level of the library and additions to the west entry and lower level, general improvements to electrical, fire suppression and mechanical systems and furniture fixtures and equipment, and acquisition of necessary rights in land, and all necessary attachments and appurtenances there to and related costs? The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding exclusive of any refunding, is 20 years. The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in the first year that the levy is authorized is 0.303 mills, which is \$0.303 for each \$1,000 of taxable value on the taxable property in the City of Harper Woods, and which will raise \$113,667. The estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the debt is 0.533 mills, which is \$0.533 for each \$1,000 of the taxable value on the taxable property in the City of Harper Woods.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

The Election will be conducted at the following places:

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Mickey D. Todd,

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## Many in HW support library bond on Nov. 4 ballot

By Carrie Cunningham  
Staff Writer

The \$3.1 million bond to make upgrades to the Harper Woods Public Library is supported by many Harper Woods residents, giving them hope of more current facilities.

The bond, which will cost taxpayers an average of \$34 every year for 20 years, is on the Nov. 4 ballot.

"I think it's important for the community because everyone benefits from it," said Mary Kingston, head of the library's board of trustees.

If the bond passes, the western wing will be expanded. On the ground floor, bathrooms will be ADA compliant, and there will be enlarged office space and room for additional stacks. An elevator will be installed, and areas for adult and child reading will be designated.

On the lower level, the meeting room will be expanded to include 125 people, and the Heritage room will be refurbished. A new heating and cooling system, furniture, intercom and updated technology will be put in place.

Residents applaud the plan, particularly for its installation of an elevator and expanded meeting room.

"It's a good idea," said resident Dan Eklund of the elevator, saying that it's important for handicapped people to have access to all parts of the library.

"We support it 100 percent. I think that it's just like other things that need to be updated," said resident Sue Hedemark.

Hedemark said community groups will be able to effectively meet in the new meeting room in the basement.

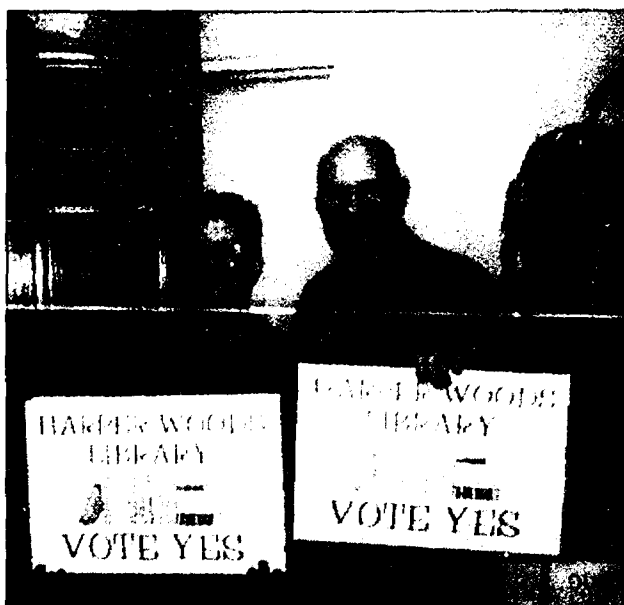


Photo by Carrie Cunningham  
**Mary Kingston and Ron Jachim support the Harper Woods library bond. The bond will cost \$3.1 million and include many updates like an expanded meeting room, an elevator and separate reading areas for adult and children.**

"An expanded meeting room will be really good," she said.

Resident Ron Jachim additionally favors the meeting room as well as the reading spaces for adults and children.

"It seems that people would be amenable to an update. That's what this provides," he said. "It's important both for the facility and the community."

Library director Dale Parus echoed residents support of the updated meeting room, saying it will lend itself to all types of programming. He also said the size of the building cannot currently service the nearly 15,000-person community and that updated technology will aid the community.

Now is the right time to ask for a bond, Parus additionally said.

"The costs could be lower

because of the bond market now," he said.

Other residents feel a modernized library will feed the minds of the community.

"There are some individuals who are curious all the time," said resident Alex Shanoski. "The more tools you give them, the better they can find things."

Shanoski said he has talked to dozens of people and said all of them are supportive of the plan.

Resident Tom DeBoever is undecided about the bond issue, specifically due to the cost.

"It seems a little high," he said.

Voters will ultimately decide if they want to pay for updates. If the bond passes, supporters envision a modernized place full of learning possibilities.

"It will be a great place," said Kingston.



### Technology celebrated

Some 500 students and teachers from more than 100 schools throughout Michigan participated in the third AT&T/Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL) Student Technology Showcase held Wednesday, Oct. 8, at the State Capitol Building in Lansing.

State Representative Edward J. Gaffney with AT&T data account executive David Keir greeted four students from Tyrone Elementary. From the left are Keir, Miranda Perrymore, Jessica Allemon, Adam Marshall, Nik Thomas and Gaffney.

Students used computers and electronic devices to show elected members of state Congress how technology is being used in the classroom.

### Correction

In the Oct. 16 article, "HW school district imagines changes to buildings," the cost to homeowners of the school renovation bond was stated incorrectly. The bond issue would have cost taxpayers \$268 every year for 30 years. The Grosse Pointe News regrets the error.

### Pumpkin party

There will be a pumpkin party at Beacon Elementary School on Monday, Oct. 20, at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

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### OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the testing of the Computer Program for the General Election to be held on November 4, 2003, will be carried out on October 30, 2003, at 2:30 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office located in the Municipal Building at 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, Michigan.

The test is to assure the validity of the computer program which will be used to count ballots for the General Election to be held November 4, 2003. The public is invited to attend.

G.P.N.: 10/23/2003  
POSTED: October 17, 2003

**Mickey, D. Todd,**  
City Clerk

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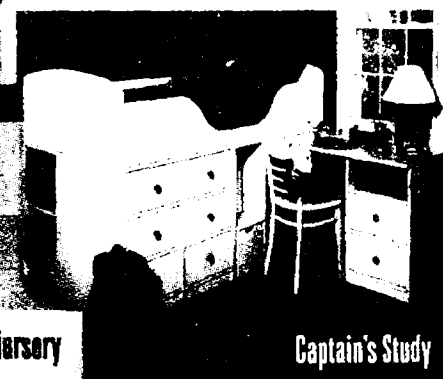
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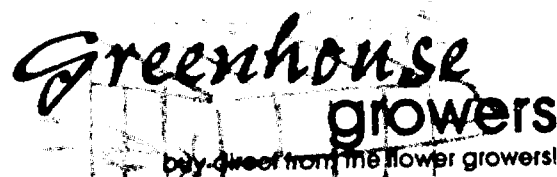
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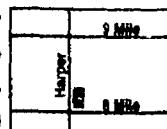
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Drs. Eugene Perrin and William Salot both have

been volunteers for peace and social justice for many years. They will share their experiences and relate how the Hippocratic Oath sworn by all physicians to "do no harm" extends beyond the medical clinic and into their work for peace.

The program is free and refreshments will be served. This is the fifth in a series of

public forums sponsored by Pointes for Peace, a community group of eastsiders and others who are committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels.

All are welcome at Pointes for Peace candlelight vigils each Sunday at 7 p.m. at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the Village. For more information, call Mary Read, (313) 822-2702, or Carol Bendure, (313) 882-7732.

## FYI

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of "Who's Who in America." Dickerson, 73, is a retired automotive designer, who grew up at the Starr Commonwealth in Albion and served as a driver for the facility's founder, **Floyd Starr**, when he went on vacation tours visiting financial supporters around the United States. Starr introduced Dickerson to nationally recognized artists, who helped with his art.

Dickerson and his wife, **Barbara**, lived on South Bays in the Woods for 20 years before moving to Grand Blanc in 2000.

Dickerson helped create the styling aspects of the

Detroit Historical Museum's exhibit, "100 Years of the Automobile," that was opened in 1992, and turned his collection of sketches and automotive drawings over to the archives sections of the Detroit Public Library. He built show cars for the auto industry and named the Dodge Charger in 1964.

Dickerson's life story is told in his autobiography, "One Goal is Not Enough," published by Bookmasters Inc. of Ohio.

**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](mailto:burnsben@comcast.net) or by phone at (313) 882-2810.

## Corrections

Corrections will be printed every week as necessary. If there is an error of fact in any story, call the newsroom at (313) 882-0294.

In "Six candidates vie for three seats in City's council race" in the Oct. 16 Grosse Pointe News, it was incorrectly reported that incumbent Councilman **Larry Dowers** lost a bid for reelection in 1995. He won election bids in 1995 and 1999, and has served on the council since being appointed in 1993.

## Grandma's new toy

This is difficult to admit, but I was jealous of my 10-year-old granddaughter. Maybe envious is a better word. She received a keyboard for her birthday, and I coveted it. There is precious little explanation for the green-eyed monster that flared within me. I can't even play the piano, but I sure love to sing, especially in the privacy of my home.

I watched as this young child pressed buttons and wondrous sounds floated on air. She could coax this magic machine to sound like a piano, a guitar or a full orchestral accompaniment. I wanted one!

I imagined myself crooning with Benny Goodman or the Duke playing back-ground as I belted out a torchy rendition in my living room. In the privacy of my own cocoon I could scream like Merman, whisper like Julie London and scat like Ella. The possibilities seemed endless. All I had to do was wait until my

birthday rolled around in September and with any luck, I could have my own keyboard.

My fearless, unsuspecting and incredibly thoughtful husband made my wishes a reality, and I greedily unwrapped my dream present a couple of weeks ago.

Since then, the learning process has become the trial of the century for both of us. I can't even understand the instructions, let alone coordinate any intelligible sounds, and our granddaughter lives in Kansas. Where is a knowledgeable 10-year-old when an old woman needs her?

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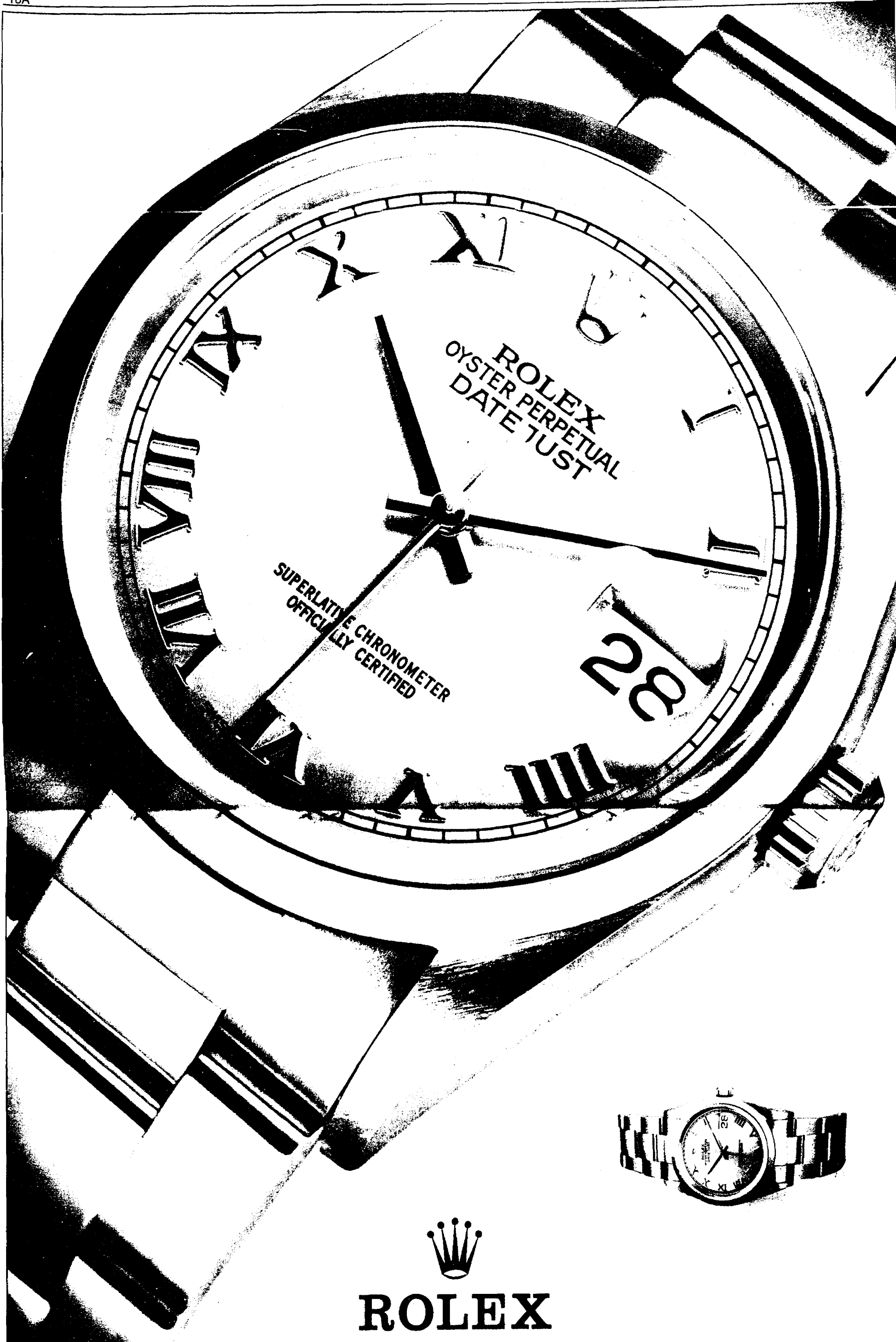
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## Only three Woods council candidates can win



Joseph Dansbury



Thomas J. Fahrner



Lisa Pinkos Howle



Dona DeSantis Reynolds



Darryl A. Spicher



Joseph Sucher

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Seven candidates are campaigning for three seats on the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

Two candidates are incumbents; two have run unsuccessfully for council in the past; and two are running for the first time.

Woods council members meet two times per month and are paid \$3,750 per year.

The candidates are profiled alphabetically.

Interviews took place before this week's council meeting where plans were approved for a new branch library at Mack and Vernier.

### Joseph R. Dansbury

Joseph Dansbury, 61, a two-term incumbent on the

Grosse Pointe Woods city council, is looking forward to helping develop the city's master plan.

The plan, which is in the beginning stages and will involve resident participation early next year, will serve as a road map to meeting the city's changing needs.

"We have to look at parking," said Dansbury, referring to the Mack Avenue commercial district. "Parking is a sore subject."

He said options include transforming residential property behind stores into parking lots. But that tactic would reduce the city's property tax base.

"Or do we go back to the drawing board?" he said.

When planning the future of Mack, Dansbury said safety is essential.

"We have schools on Mack and pedestrian crossings in

the school areas," he said. "We have to be creative when we do this master plan about how to take into consideration traffic and safety. Mack is a single strip and the route from one city to another. There's not much we can do to get around that other than diversion of traffic."

Although a number of Mack storefronts are vacant, Dansbury pointed to recent major commitments to the district.

"McDonald Investments has built a beautiful building at Cook; FlagStar Bank will be building at Allard, and Republic Bank has refurbished the Harmony House storefront," Dansbury said.

"We should explore the possibility that as businesses change and are constructed, we look at changing (building) heights to create

dimension to our city so it is not so one-dimensional," Dansbury said. "With growth, insight and continued interest in business on Mack, our city will retain and build on its vitality and ambiance."

Dansbury is familiar with criticism that approval of a public library at Mack and Vernier has taken too long.

"Our old (library) is 5,000 square feet," he said. "The new one is 26,000 square feet. It's five times as large. It needed site plan approval and variances. Traffic, parking and safety were issues. To say we want an answer in three months? I don't think that's possible."

Dansbury said city officials have benefited from citizen involvement in major projects.

"Work on the water main down Mack has continued to go well with few com-

plaints," he said.

City officials were considering placing the water main along the southbound parking lane, which business owners said would isolate entire blocks from customers during construction. Then commercial representatives recommended relocating the main to the median.

"When they suggested it, our engineering group looked at it and it worked," Dansbury said. "The businesses are for the most part happy with the decision to proceed down the median, thereby alleviating a parking problem."

Dansbury would promote increased citizen involvement by holding quarterly town hall meetings "so citizens' voices can be heard."

He said the master plan will look into the possibility of downsized housing for



Steven C. Vassallo

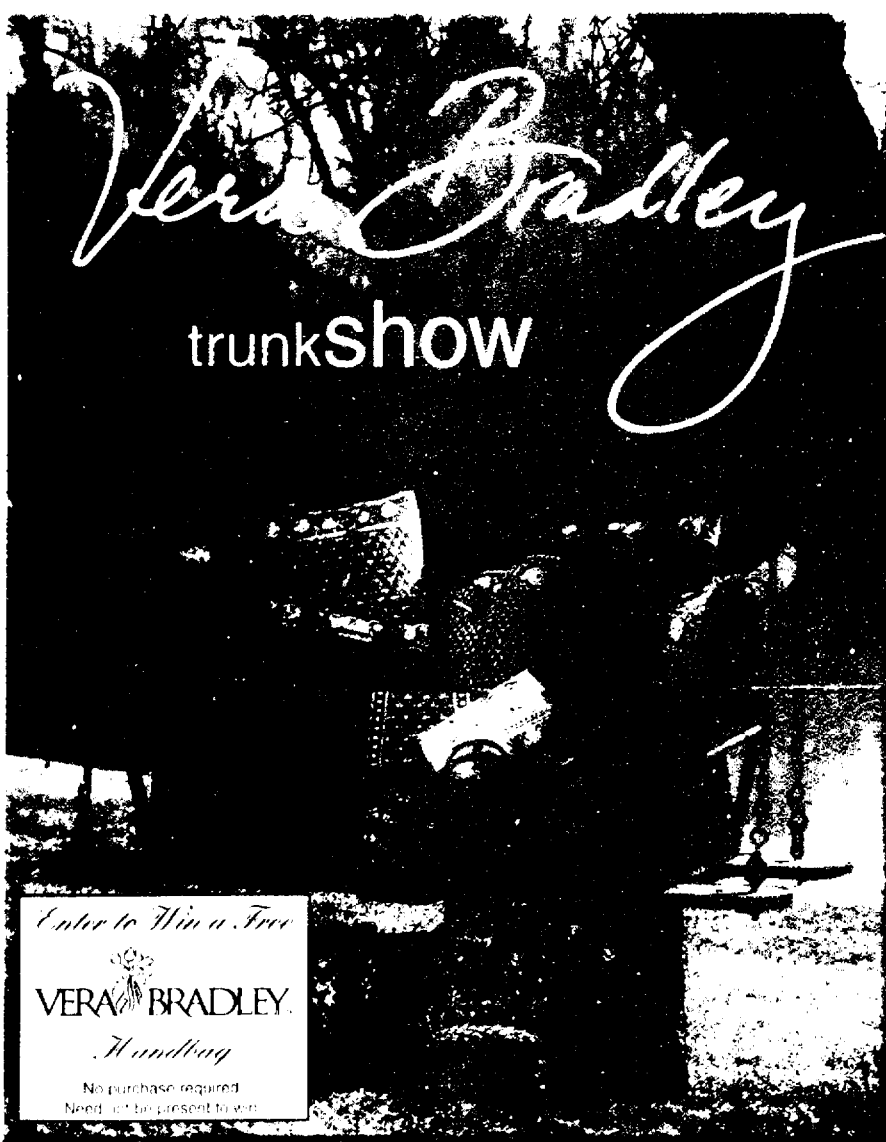
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"Maybe there's a possibility on Eight Mile," he said. "You can put in condominiums that are suitable for seniors who don't want to leave their community and (municipal) park."

He also will look into the possibility of limiting the terms of elected officials.

"This is something that should be addressed," he said, "with the suggestion that council members be limited to two consecutive, four-year terms, but after a two-year break could run again for council."

He supports a fellow council member's recent suggestion to alert property owners of major construction projects scheduled for discussion before the planning commission.

"I've been responsive, committed, knowledgeable," Dansbury said. "I want to

continue to serve the council in the best, honest way."

Dansbury is a sales manager for Illinois Tool Works.

## Thomas J. Fahrner

Thomas Fahrner, 73, has been on the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council for more than 26 years, except for a brief period after losing a close election in 1997.

When an unscheduled opening appeared on the council, Fahrner was appointed to his old post by longtime Mayor Robert Novitke.

"I think almost like Bob does," Fahrner said of the friendship. "He got on the council the same time I did, 1977. We know what the issues are."

Fahrner is a retired Chrysler manager. He said residents have asked why the council seems to take so long to make decisions, such as the library proposed for the front lawn of Parcels Middle School.

"We can't make a decision

without the facts," Fahrner said he answers critics.

"We never saw anything official on the library until a week or so ago," Fahrner said a week before the council was scheduled to address the issue Oct. 20.

He offered numerous reasons why the library had not yet been approved on the corner of Mack and Verniers. Issues dealt with parking and traffic flow.

"That's a poor place to put a library," Fahrner said. "It's too close to the corner. That's what's scaring our police department — a potential accident."

Fahrner supported placing the library on the Parcels playground.

"They (school administrators) didn't want to give us the playground," Fahrner said. "That's where that library should have been, but you would have lost two baseball diamonds. The school board didn't want to do that."

Fahrner said he's "done a

very good job on the council. I know all the problems we've had in the past. I've gone through three mayors. We've tried many things on the council. Of course, there's always new issues."

One of those new issues is an updated sign ordinance. The ordinance outlaws neon signs retroactive to the mid-1970s when such displays were first outlawed. During the last quarter century, however, neon has been allowed to flourish on Mack.

"Where was our code enforcement officer?" Fahrner said. "We on the council aren't supposed to go up and down every street and enforce it. That's their job."

Ongoing issues during Fahrner's tenure include a parking shortage on Mack.

He suggested the problem could be solved by the city working behind the scenes with members of the private sector to transform residential property into parking lots.

"I was involved with parking before we had a parking commission. In fact, me and Bob (Novitke) were on that commission under Mayor Freeman. I made a recommendation that every first house behind the (Mack) alley be allocated for parking."

Fahrner said private individuals, acting as what are known as straw purchasers, could act secretly on behalf of the city to buy houses, have the property zoned for commercial use, and then sell it to the city.

Individuals, Fahrner said, would have an easier time overturning deed restrictions banning the use of residential property for things such as parking.

"Buy the damn thing," Fahrner suggested to a hypothetical straw man. "After you buy it and get it cleared, come to us. We'll buy it off you and make a parking lot out of it."

At a city council session last spring, Fahrner recommended a raise for top city administrators. His proposal, which his colleagues accepted, was prepared but not on the public agenda.

"It just came out that way," Fahrner said. "Normally it would have been on the agenda. Sometimes when it's on the agenda we get a lot of dogooders who come and ask all kinds of stupid ...," he interrupted himself.

Fahrner volunteered an explanation for his pay scale as a council member. The council voted itself a raise this year to \$3,750. The mayor is paid \$6,000.

"I'm sick of people telling me I'm rich because I make so much money as a councilman in Grosse Pointe Woods," he said. "Pay for Roseville's council is \$16,000. St. Clair Shores' is \$12,000."

## Lisa Pinkos Howle

If Lisa Pinkos Howle, 46, is elected to the Grosse Pointe Woods city council, she's going to show up with a calculator.

"I want to go through the budget with a fine-toothed comb," said Howle, daughter of the late Benjamin Pinkos, Woods mayor from 1973 to 1979.

Howle wants to know where thousands of dollars in parking fees have been spent.

"Parking meter revenue was supposed to be put toward creating parking (space)," she said. "Approximately 20 years ago, the money went into the general fund; so it never got spent for parking. That would have been, I'm told, \$340,000 per year that could have been spent for parking."

Howle is on the board of directors of the American Metal Processing Co. in Warren. She has a law degree from the University of Detroit.

Howle said she has already started addressing scarce parking along the Mack commercial district.

"I have an architect working on it right now," she said. "It's something to look at instead of simply saying it couldn't be solved before; so let's not look at it again."

She wants to inject the council with fresh ideas.

"I've been talking with residents," she said. "People are unhappy with what's happening at the council."

Pinkos said she would tap constituents for new solutions to old problems.

"We have a lot of bright, articulate, successful people in Grosse Pointe Woods who will help us make sound decisions," she said.

Pinkos would like to establish a business commission to provide city officials with a commercial perspective on plans and projects.

"We have every other kind of commission, but not a business commission," she said. "There are a lot of people who could serve on that committee and make some difference."

Pinkos thinks the city is being "micro managed" by the council.

"The city council is set up to be an efficient business," she said. "We're supposed to be the board of directors (and) have our managers come to us with recommendations."

That's not to say the council shouldn't be ready to act.

"The library took too long," Pinkos said. "In my understanding, people were quibbling over what it looked like."

Pinkos said her "big issues" are public safety, schools and the commercial district. She will investigate reports of "unhappiness" in the police department.

She plans to help the commercial district.

"If we put some people on the council who understand business, we can turn Mack into something special," she said. "If the commercial district deteriorates, it's going to spread into neighborhoods."

Pinkos remembers her father talking about creating a certain atmosphere along Mack Avenue.

"We were talking about the intent of this Colonial theme," she said. "It was to eliminate Las Vegas-looking (designs and decorations). It was never to make everything homogeneous so nobody could find anything. My father told me that. Mack was meant to be quaint, but never down to nitpicking over letter height and signage. We have bigger issues at the moment."

Pinkos doesn't think the new sign ordinance was "well thought out," particularly because so many variances have been granted for sandwich board signs.

On another matter, she said council oversight could have avoided controversy over a new ban on storing recreational vehicles and boat trailers on residential property.

"RVs and trailers have

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never been allowed in Grosse Pointe Woods," she said.

A similar situation exists with a renewed ban on neon signs which have proliferated on Mack despite being illegal for 25 years.

"Laws aren't enforced. Then suddenly they (council members) are saying we need to change back to the way it was," Pinkos said. "When an ordinance like that is put into effect, some sort of grandfathering provision should have been looked at. Maybe it's going to take new people to take a look at these issues and get them resolved."

### Dona DeSantis Reynolds

First-time city council candidate Dona DeSantis Reynolds, 57, is campaigning under the slogan, "Reynolds will wrap it up right."

By "it," she means bringing a fresh approach to solving unsettled issues of concern to Grosse Pointe Woods residents and business owners.

"I want to see changes in the way things are run," she said. "I feel there's an old boy network."

She said, "I've heard of situations where one person gets away with something, and another person has to follow the rules."

She cited what she characterized as inconsistent enforcement of sign regulations along the Mack Avenue commercial strip.

"A business owner on Mack was given such a hard time she moved out," Reynolds said. "Now she's in the Village doing quite well. It's a travesty. Businesses are the backbone of the city."

Reynolds cited a contractor who received city permission to build a house on Marder. As the foundation was being excavated, permission was rescinded, leaving a hole in the ground.

"Now there's a lawsuit," Reynolds said.

She said problems could have been avoided if members of the city council had worked in concert for the betterment of residents and business owners alike.

"I want to make the city like a family," she said. "We're all interconnected. I like things to run smoothly. In order for that to happen, you have to communicate. You have to work through issues and negotiate. You have to respect the people."

She said city officials should be helping business owners, not hampering them.

"(The owner of an) ice cream store had to take down her lighted sign that said 'Open,'" Reynolds said. "Now she has a paper sign. When I go down Mack, I want to be able to see if a business is open. Those lights help. They're not offensive or like Las Vegas."

Reynolds told about the owner of a flower shop on Mack who was forced to remove a sandwich board sign from in front of the store. Then, after losing considerable revenue, the shopkeeper won a variance to reinstall the sign.

"She has it back now, but to give her a hard time about it? It's wasn't offensive," Reynolds said.

Reynolds raised three children during her more than 30 years as a resident of the Woods.

"This great city has given me so much, it's time for me to give back," she said.

She has been a teacher for 12 years at Brownell Middle School. She teaches life skills.

While campaigning through Grosse Pointe Woods, Reynolds said most residents have expressed dissatisfaction with the status quo.

People are unhappy with the way the council handles issues," Reynolds said. "Everybody kept saying they wanted a fresh start."

If elected, Reynolds said she would continue soliciting residents' opinions. She would support notifying property owners of major construction projects scheduled for discussion before the planning commission.

"We have a community of people who are so knowledgeable, who are experts in so many areas and have such great ideas that they might suggest something

nobody thought about," Reynolds said.

Reynolds thinks the library proposal has taken too long to be guided through the Woods' approval process.

"The city council needs to be involved and (discover) why everybody's dragging their feet," Reynolds said.

She said progress could have been smoother if, early in the planning, city leaders had arranged a meeting among stake holders, including municipal and library officials, architects, city planners, public safety commanders and residents.

"With a project of this magnitude, you have to have people communicating," Reynolds said. "Get this on the table so we can talk about it; so all the input can be put on the table and a decision made. That's what's lacking."

She said the Woods needs a new type of leadership.

"When you have positive leadership and someone listening to the people, the residents will be happy because they can see everybody's best interest was thought through," she said. "People want to be heard. They want to know their voice is important."

### Darryl A. Spicher

Darryl Spicher, 40, is a first-time candidate for city council.

Spicher is more concerned with change at city hall than

winning office himself.

"We need three new faces," he said. "If we can get three new faces in there, we could change things in a heartbeat."

If Spicher wins a seat on the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, he will be the community's only elected official drawn from the ranks of local retailers. He owns Oxford Beverage & Deli on Mack.

He criticized Woods elected officials' initial "unwillingness to work with business people" about placing the new water main somewhere other than along the southbound parking lane. Such placement would have cut off businesses from direct customer access during construction. He said the project was relocated to the median after intervention by business representatives.

"We just wanted the council to look at other options," Spicher said. "We knew if it went down the curb, it was going to put people out of business and upset residents."

Spicher said homeowners will benefit from a strong commercial district.

"What hurts residents, hurts retailers and visa versa," he said.

He envisions a community with a small-town feel where he and his family can walk to a local ice cream store, stopping to say hello to a courteous policeman walking the beat.

"I love going to the Village

and Hill," he said. "The stores are occupied. If they're not occupied, they're not empty for long. I would love to see Mack redone by widening the sidewalks and a combination of cement and brick paver designs. We need some definition."

He'd like the speed limit on Mack reduced to 30 mph. He would also reduce plantings on the median to improve sight lines and driver safety.

"You can't see," he said. "They have large pine trees and bushes blocking the opposite side of the street. It's not a drivable-shopable friendly area. That creates people driving one way, looking another, and the next thing you know you have a rear-end."

Despite a city-mandated Colonial architecture and recently adopted regulations on signage, Spicher said Mack has almost become an "eyesore."

"There's no unity," he said. "The council has tried to create unity by mandating a Colonial look. But nobody can answer what Colonial is. Does that make any sense?"

He's concerned about the replacement of retail shops with financial institutions on Mack.

"We need a mix of busi-

nesses," he said. "There's already a dozen banks on Mack in the Woods."

He said over-regulation has hurt owners of small businesses.

"It shouldn't take people a couple years to get their signs approved," Spicher said.

Woods council members recently passed an ordinance regulating the outdoor storage of recreational vehicles and boats in residential areas, but are undecided over enforcement. Two variance requests were turned down, but by split decisions. One council member said the ordinance needs to be "tweaked" to include conditions under which variances will be awarded.

Spicher opposes enacting incomplete ordinances.


"If you need to tweak it afterwards, it almost needs to be eliminated," Spicher said.

He agrees with eliminating the proliferation of RVs, motor homes, boats and trailers, but not the way Wood officials abruptly rescinded annual parking permits that some residents had been renewing annually for 20 years.

Spicher said it would have

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been kinder if permits had remained in effect until expiration.

If elected, Spicher wants to make the public safety department "friendlier."

"They have one goal in mind — hammer you with a ticket," he said. "I'd like to see police on bikes."

Top Woods officials have boasted the city has more appointed commissions than the other Grosse Pointes. Spicher wants to establish qualifications for non-elected appointees who hold positions of public authority.

"One of the reasons I'm running is to stop cronyism," Spicher said.

## Joseph Sucher

This is the first time Joseph Sucher, 62, has campaign for elected office. As chairman of the Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission, however, Sucher has first-hand knowledge of many municipal policies that have been enacted or are under devel-

opment.

Sucher is a 35-year resident of the city. Before being appointed to the planning commission six years ago, he served four years on the recreation commission, one year as chair.

He is a semi-retired college administrator involved with establishing research guidelines.

"I don't think there are any major issues in Grosse Pointe Woods that need immediate resolution," said Sucher. "It's a good place to live and raise your own family. It's a good place to gracefully mature after your family-rearing days are over. We need to plan for the future to ensure that those interests are well cared for."

Sucher said the planning commission did not delay the public library proposed for Mack and Vernier.

"We were not involved in the library project until we saw the plans at the first of the year (2003)," he said. "When the commission got the plans at our March meeting, all city departments had recommended it be turned down. The planning commission was not

going to go against that."

Administrators objected to parking arrangements, traffic flow and an interior courtyard that public safety officials said would have been out of view of passing patrolmen.

"It was an accident waiting to happen," said Sucher of the overall proposal.

Sucher has been helping with the Woods master plan.

"I'm interested in maintaining the city as a destination for families, not as a place to visit," he said.

If elected to the city council, Sucher said he wouldn't "shoot from the hip."

"You need to identify the problem before you end up solving a symptom and never having the problem go away," he said. "That takes a lot of information gathering and research."

Sucher said he's concerned with preventing blight and meeting the residential needs of senior citizens.

He said blight can be prevented by maintaining high property values.

"We do that by keeping the city an attractive place to live," he said.

Sucher would fight blight of rental property through city inspections.

"We don't inspect homes that are rental property," he said. "We only inspect homes when they're sold."

He said inspections would benefit landlords and homeowners alike.

"It's going to keep neighboring property values up," he said. "If (a rental property) is an attractive place to live, (landlords) won't have as much hassle getting the rent they think it's worth. If their property deteriorates, they won't get the rent they want. It has cascading

effects on adjacent neighborhoods."

As for senior housing, Sucher said construction of a Sunrise Assisted Living center on Mack near Brys Drive is a step in the right direction. The planning

commission denied Sunrise's original plans for an 80-room facility that violated city rules against three-story structures.

"Neighbors were unhappy with a three-story building," Sucher said.

Although Sucher said Woods officials can't take credit for Sunrise's decision to invest in the Woods, he said the project was encouraged.

As for the business district as a whole, the planning commission has been dealing with commercial issues such as a new sign ordinance.

"A nice-looking sign reflects well on the business inside," Sucher said. "Our commercial district is the first appearance many people get of Grosse Pointe Woods. So, what Mack looks like reflects directly on the community itself."

He said the new sign ordinance did not change the status of neon, which has been banned for 25 years.

"It's been an enforcement issue that allowed them to flourish," he said. "It never should have happened, but it did."

## Steven C. Vassallo

Steven Vassallo, 47, has a message for elected officials who try to avoid the consequences of their actions, or inaction.

"If they don't want to take responsibility because it's a hot issue, they get out," he said.

Vassallo has lived in the Woods for 11 years. He chaired the city's Senior Citizens Commission and volunteers with Service for Older Citizens.

Vassallo enjoys community activities. He was assistant director of the Woods 50th anniversary parade and is directing the Harper Woods Little League 50th Anniversary parade.

He works as a database marketing representative for LDMI Telecommunications.

This is the second time Vassallo has run for Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

While campaigning door-to-door, Vassallo has heard "several" residents refer to city hall as heavy-handed. He said city leaders need to reach out to residents for fresh ideas.

Vassallo's most wide-reaching proposal is consolidating the Grosse Pointes' fire departments.

"We can save money," he said. "We have two or three fire trucks per city. Do we really need all of those? A lot of mayors will be against that because they want to have full control of their cities. But that's a lot of money. We're here for the citizens, not a specific group of people."

Vassallo also would hope to separate police and fire services into distinct departments. Currently, public safety officers are trained to provide both services.

"Public safety officers aren't fully trained to be fire fighters," he said. "When we have large fires, they basically surround the house, control the fire and let it burn."

If elected, Vassallo would promote public safety bicycle patrols.

"I'd like more (police) visibility to deter crime," he said. "I would appreciate officers introducing themselves. It breeds more confidence in the citizens to see that."

Regarding the public library issue, Vassallo wants

to know why the proposal took so long to get city approval.

"I ask city council members, and I'm getting conflicting answers," he said. "I don't know who is telling the truth."

Regarding residential neighborhoods, Vassallo is concerned about poorly-maintained rental property.

"They have to be inspected," he said. "We have to force people to take care of their houses."

The same applies to storefronts.

"Some storefronts are outstanding; others are hell holes," he said. "Let's start dressing things up. It's the same with city parking lots. I see weeds growing. They (city workers) cut the grass; why can't they get the weeds?"

Vassallo said the city should support the business community through joint sponsorship of monthly special events.

"We might be able to help businesses with a shuttle to bring people in to buy things," he said. He also would list local business information on the city Web site.

To provide more parking on Mack, Vassallo said he would ask homeowners behind the commercial district if they'd sell their homes for conversion into parking lots.

He thinks ordinances should be written thoroughly before enactment. He said ordinances should include conditions under which variances will be granted.

"Let's put in as much detail as possible so people don't keep questioning about it," Vassallo said.

He disagreed with a retroactive 25-year ban on neon signs, especially since the city has not enforced an existing ban dating to the mid 1970s.

"Who allowed this?" Vassallo asked. "I would grandfather (neon signs) to be fair to business owners."

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# Veteran Woods judge faces first-time challenger

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

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The Woods' judge serves a four-year term at a salary of \$20,000 per year.

This election, incumbent Lynne Pierce is being challenged by Donn Fresard. The candidates are profiled alphabetically.

## Donn Fresard

Donn Fresard, 46, is running for municipal judge so he can be part of a system of justice in which local issues are dealt with locally.

"Community standards can be enforced," he said. "We have the luxury of having extremely local control over what usually is a moment of indiscretion."

That's not to say Fresard's easy on crime.

"If you have a kid caught shoplifting, there should be some specific punishment,

such as a work detail or deprivation of his liberty, to let him know society simply does not tolerate that type of behavior," Fresard said. "You can tailor it (punishment) to the particular situation."

Fresard is a partner in the law firm Fresard DeMarco of St. Clair Shores. He's been practicing law for about 20 years. His legal focus has shifted from criminal work and personal injury to business-oriented matters along with family law and estate planning.

"I've appeared in every court in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb County, including all the Grosse Pointes," Fresard said. "I've tried at least a couple hundred cases, from a traffic ticket to murder."

If elected, Fresard said he would call on parents to participate in correcting the behavior of youthful offenders.

"I you have kids who are consistently acting up, bring the parents in and try to find out why it is taking place," he said. "If you look at census statistics, the Grosse Pointes have an unusually high percentage of two-parent households.



Donn Fresard

You get quite a bit of stability with that. But it takes everybody's involvement to keep kids straightened out. Kids don't realize what a record can do to them."

For Fresard, being a judge involves more than crime and punishment.

"The role of the judiciary is to adjudicate based on evidence presented to the court," he said. "When that's over, and it's time for sentencing, it's important to be fair and balanced and take a look at the big picture, not just collecting fines and sending people about their



Lynne A. Pierce

wiped out this attempt at local control over offenses committed by minors," Fresard said. "If elected, I would work with the state representative to amend this flaw in the legislation."

## Lynne A. Pierce

Lynne Pierce would rather interact with teenagers in their classrooms than her courtroom.

Pierce, 52, who is running for reelection to municipal judge in Grosse Pointe Woods, founded an intervention program a few years ago called Critical Life Choices. The program reaches out to high school freshmen.

"I'm committed to the youth in our community," Pierce said. "In general, kids have way too much unsupervised time with access to alcohol, drugs and unsupervised situations. I try to address those before they become problems."

She conducts interactive sessions with small groups of students who are of an age when the consequences of substance abuse, sex and risky behavior don't enter the picture.

"It doesn't matter how good your child is; he or she can still find himself in a bad situation," Pierce said. "Many children don't take the next step and think about consequences of drinking and other risky behavior."

Her goal is to make kids aware of consequences "so they'll choose not to be in that circumstance."

Pierce said sessions involve watching actual news video showing the outcome of risky behavior and then encourage discussion about how situations could have been handled differently.

One video concerns a girl who attends a drinking

party, gets in a car crash and suffers serious closed-head injuries.

"You see the kids' faces when they see what this girl is like after her accident," Pierce said.

She has received positive feedback.

"Kids have come back to me and have said they decided not to get themselves in certain situations. That's good to hear," she said. "There are also situations that turn tragic and break my heart. I always hope I'm reaching somebody."

Pierce has served the Woods for 12 years. She also is municipal judge in Grosse Pointe Shores. In addition, she often is asked to be a visiting judge in Mount Clemens, Roseville, Harper Woods, East Pointe, St. Clair Shores, Sterling Heights and Clinton Township.

"I've heard a couple hundred jury trials and thousands of bench trials ranging in duration from a half-hour to a couple of days," Pierce said.

She no longer practices law.

"I work at my regular job and fill in as a visiting judge. And I'm a parent," she said. "I try to practice what I preach — not allow my children, even as teenagers, to be home alone too often. Supervision is the key."

Although the Woods municipal court operates only one day per week, a judge is never really off duty.

"I'm available 24/7," Pierce said. "I wear a pager. The police know where I am."

She installed a fax machine at home so officers working the night shift can

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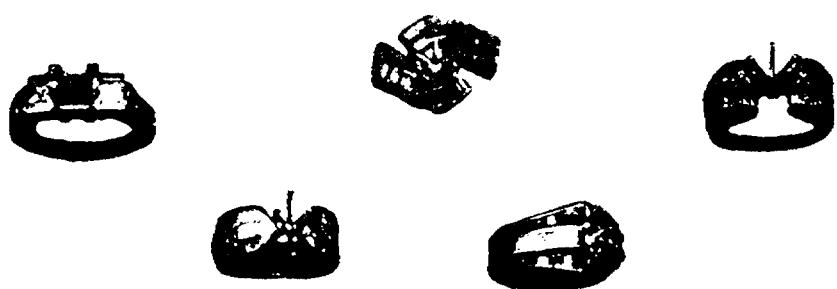
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# Woods candidates in a League of their own

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Candidates for city council in Grosse Pointe Woods agreed to disagree at this year's League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe election forum.

Five challengers and one of two incumbents answered written questions submitted anonymously by members of the public during the forum last week at Woods city hall.

Participants gave short opening statements, fielded approximately 20 questions and summarized their platforms during the 90-minute session.

Some questions were broad, such as what council members can do to involve teenagers in municipal affairs. Other questions put candidates on the spot, such as what to do about the chronic parking shortage on Mack Avenue.

"An informed voter does make a difference," said Judy Morlan, chapter president and resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

Candidates were, in the order they gave their opening statements, Darryl Spicher, Joseph Sucher, both

challengers; long-time incumbent Thomas Fahrner, and challengers Steven Vassallo, Dona DeSantis Reynolds and Lisa Pinkos Howle.

Incumbent Joseph Dansbury did not attend. He was out of town on business.

## Council candidates

Darryl Spicher, a first-time candidate and owner of Oxford Beverage & Deli on Mack, got off to a tongue-tied start but soon warmed to an audience of about 100 people.

"I'd like to see our police department (be) friendlier," Spicher said. He suggested that the department's tough-guy tone and high officer turnover could be the result of internal problems which he'd investigate as a member of the council.

Spicher said deliberations on the new public library branch "took too long." He said the gun range beneath city hall, which was closed to the public last year after being open for decades as part of the recreation department, should be reopened "as soon as possible."

He said, "The city definitely needs some change. We could use three new council people."

Joseph Sucher, the appointed head of the Woods planning commission and semi-retired university teacher-administrator, also is making his first attempt at elected office.

"I do not support unnecessary and radical change," Sucher said in his opening statement. He looks forward, however, to increasing communication between city hall and residents while continuing to work on the city's master plan. "I have been involved in a lot of city activities over the years. I'd like to continue that involvement at the city council."

He said there's no simple solution to the city's parking problem.

"If there were, we would have already put it in," he said.

Sucher stressed that the library issue has not been before the planning commission for nearly three years.

"The planning commission's involvement in the library site review began in December of 2002," he said.

Thomas Fahrner has been on the council for 26 years, with a short time out after losing a tight election and being reappointed to his old post when a vacancy appeared.

"I have been committed to the residents (and) providing services within the budget," said Fahrner, who retired from Chrysler. "We have a wonderful community."

He said the city has tried to expand parking facilities on Mack.

"It's not an issue that's going to go away," he said. "It's not easy to purchase properties (for parking lots). The city is constantly looking for them."

Regarding the library,

Fahrner said, "Plans came to us a few years ago (but) there was no way they could be built. It was a safety factor. We asked the library to redesign it. It wasn't our fault."

In closing, he said, "I will continue trying to do the best job I can. A lot of this has come up before our council and we just can't get it all done at once."

Steven Vassallo, a database marketing representative for LDMI Telecommunications, said he takes the well-being of the community "personally."

A second-time candidate, Vassallo ran for office two years ago. He said he's concerned about public safety and wants increased police visibility. If elected, he would propose bicycle patrols and possibly officers walking a beat on Mack Avenue.

Vassallo would try to buy homes behind Mack for parking space and reach out to members of the residential and business community for ideas.

He wants "accountability" for the library delay.

"Three years?" he asked rhetorically. "That's ridiculous."

First-time candidate Dona DeSantis Reynolds teaches at Brownell Middle School and has been a Woods resident for more than 30 years.

"I have a passion for this community," she said. "You need to give back to the community once in your lifetime. This is that time."

She wants to build better relations with the business community. She's no fan of parking meters and would try to acquire homes behind

Mack for conversion into municipal parking lots.

She recommended forming committees to determine if the gun range should be reopened and how to involve teenagers with city goings-on.

"I'm not a politician," she said. "I'm a resident. I'd like to see changes. I like bringing fresh ideas. I want to be the speaker for the residents."

Lisa Pinkos Howle brings a historical perspective to her second attempt to win a seat on the city council. Her father, the late Benjamin Pinkos, was mayor of the Woods from 1973 to 1979.

Howle directs the American Metal Processing Co. in Warren.

"Residents are unhappy with not being heard by this council," she said.

Howle said she would take steps to solve the parking problem by, first of all, finding out why parking meter revenue has been diverted from its intended purpose.

"That money was supposed to be designated for

future parking," she said. "It went into the general fund instead. We need to see parking revenue used the right way."

She wants the council to have fresh faces and ideas.

"Some people on commissions are being groomed to be politicians and are moving their way up into city council positions," Howle said. "While being on commissions is good for some people, for others it's just a way to become a politician. I am not a politician nor will I ever become one."

## Municipal judge

Lyne Pierce, who has been municipal judge in Grosse Pointe Woods for 12 years, appeared at the voter forum, but her opponent, Donn Fresard, didn't.

Pierce was allowed to give an opening statement, but as there was no opportunity for debate, she was not presented subsequent questions.

"The only endorsement I seek is that of the voters of this community," Pierce said.

## Judge

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easily request search warrants.

"If police need to get hold of me in a hurry, it's often in the middle of the night," she said.

Pierce also speaks to parent groups.

"The big concern I have with teenagers is many of them allow themselves to be put in positions they are not emotionally or mature enough to handle. That's what I try to tell parents," she said.

Pierce said she has increased the court's effi-

ciency by partially staggering the docket. Cases aren't assigned appointments, but hearings are divided into four sections, each with separate starting times. For example, a defendant assigned to the 11 a.m. session doesn't have to arrive in court when the doors open at 8:30 a.m. and wait.

"The main reason people should vote for me is my experience and dedication to my job," Pierce said. "My true interest is the interest of the community, making sure our court runs smoothly and providing people their opportunity in court."

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Harry J. Hammond

### Harry J. Hammond

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Harry J. Hammond, 72, died on Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003, of lung cancer.

Born in 1931 in Detroit, Mr. Hammond was a graduate of St. Paul High School in Grosse Pointe Farms and the University of Detroit. He later attended the University of Notre Dame and George Washington University.

His education also included Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. and Naval Flight School in Pensacola, Fla. He served as a lieu-

tenant and pilot in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Hammond was a member of the Squadron VVP-663 and was recalled to service with Squadron VVP-661 during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Tracking hurricanes and sometimes flying toward the eye of the storm was part of Mr. Hammond's role as a "storm tracker."

Following his retirement from the military, Mr. Hammond was a supervisor of field engineering and quality control for Westinghouse Electric Co. After his retirement from Westinghouse, he owned the One Hour Moto Photo store in Lutherville, Md.

Mr. Hammond was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Ellicott City, Md. He served as president and treasurer of the board of Cardinal Gibbons High School. He was also a past member of the school's sports boosters.

As a member of the Ilchester Optimist Club, Mr. Hammond was involved in the organization's children's oratorical and bicycle safety programs.

Mr. Hammond is survived by his wife of 48 years, Mary Ann Hammond; his sons Harry (Denise) and Peter

Hammond and his companion Sharon Miller; his daughters, Judy (Marc) Benvenuto and Lisa (Scott) Farrow; seven grandchildren; and his sisters, Mary Lee Graham of Grosse Pointe Woods and Lois Harrigan.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, Sept. 20, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Ellicott City.

Interment is in Crest Lawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Always and Forever Memorial and Honor Program, Attn: ADA Web, P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720.



Richard John Harrison

### Richard John Harrison

Richard John Harrison of Portage died Sunday, Oct. 19, 2003 at Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo.

Born and raised in Catrine, Scotland, Mr. Harrison received his Bachelor of Science degree with honors from the Royal College at Glasgow University in Glasgow, Scotland; his Master of

Science degree in textile technology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass.; and his Master of Business Administration degree from Michigan State University.

Mr. Harrison was a member of both the American and British Textile Institutes. He was also a Mason and a lifelong member of the Congregational Church. He served with distinction with the Royal Scots Cameronians in Malaya, earning the Royal Order of St. George.

He was a resident of Grosse Pointe from 1967 to 1990, and employed by Unroyal from 1961 to 1994. He had resided in Portage the past 10 years.

Mr. Harrison is survived by his four children, Margaret McIntyre, Richard (Teresa), James and Catherine (David) Blondell of St. Clair Shores; seven grandchildren, Elizabeth, Drake, McKenzie, Evan, Joseph, Jaimie and Elizabeth; and one sister, Mary Natino.

He was predeceased by his wife, Elizabeth; and his sister, Margaret McKenzie.

Private services will take place at Langeland Family Funeral Homes, Portage Chapel. Cremation will follow, and his cremains, along with those of his beloved wife, Beth, will be returned to Scotland.

### Donald J. McGuire

Detroit resident Donald J. McGuire, 72, died on Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2003, at Bon Secours Hospital.

Born in Detroit in 1931, Mr. McGuire earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Detroit in 1957 and a master's degree in American history from Wayne State University in 1964.

He was a history teacher at Denby High School in the Detroit Public Schools System until 1992.

Mr. McGuire was an avid Detroit Tigers and Detroit Red Wings fan. He enjoyed storytelling, and reading to and spending time with his granddaughter.

He is survived by his children, Regina and Matthew; his granddaughter, Sophia Catherine DeLoera; his siblings, John, Olivia, Betty (Bob) Keusch, Regina (Ray) Mackin, Helen Gillette, Meggie (Jim) Carroll, Frank (Sonja) and Joann (Frank) Ludwig; 37 nieces and nephews; and numerous grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Oct. 18, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross, southeastern Michigan chapter, 100 Mack, P.O. Box 44110, Detroit, MI 48244-0110.



Shirley Wickson Smith

### Shirley Wickson Smith

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Shirley Wickson Smith died on Friday, Oct. 10, 2003.

Born in Albion, Mr. Smith came to Detroit at a young age. She graduated from Southeastern High School and Wayne State University. Later in life, she

earned graduate degrees in education.

She influenced many young people as a first-grade teacher at Maxine Elementary School, as principal of Eastpointe Elementary School and as director of special education in the South Lake School District in St. Clair Shores.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, where she volunteered for many years. She was also a 50-year member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

After her retirement, Mrs. Smith traveled the world with her longtime friend, Alma Fraser.

Since January 1998, Mrs. Smith had been a resident of Henry Ford Village in Dearborn, where she was an active participant in their lending library, Channel 11 — the Village TV station, and as a Village greeter.

She is survived by her nephews, Mark (Beth) Wickson and Dale Wickson; her niece Jerry (Tom) Hunter; and grand-nephews and grand-nieces, Rachel, Jason, Lauren, David, Carol and Sarah. Although Mrs. Smith never had children of her own, she was considered a second mother to Jim (Nancy) Fraser, Joanne (Bill) Dennis and Mary (Bob) Weathers; and second grandmother to Rob, Katie, Andrew, Stephanie and Becky. She is also survived by her Village chum, Harry Deem.

Mrs. Smith was predeceased by her husband, Herbert "Buz."

A memorial service will be held at Henry Ford Village Chapel on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 11 a.m. Arrangements were made by Chas. Verheyden Inc.

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## Voice tutor retires after 16 years at South

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

With her former students headed off to Broadway and acclaimed music conservatories, voice tutor Sharon Babcock is en route to retirement after 16 years at Grosse Pointe High School.

Although she claims she could never truly call it quits ("I will probably never stop giving lessons," she said), Babcock feels she has given her all to the hundreds of students whose voices she has trained.

Never hired by the school district, Babcock teamed up with longtime choir director Ellen Bowen and began giving private lessons to individual students whose families requested additional training. Having spent years as a high school choir director herself at Warren Consolidated, Babcock received special permission from the Grosse Pointe Board of Education to use school facilities for her lessons, which largely took place during school hours.

Bowen and Babcock had long established a rapport, meeting year after year at choral competitions.

"I taught high school choral music and so did she," Babcock said of their meeting while she was still in Warren and Bowen was at Chippewa Valley. "We both ended up with groups that had state finalists, and we were always at the same events. We found we had similar interests and decided to team up."

When Bowen moved on to Macomb Community College, Babcock left teaching to start a family with her

husband. Bowen began sending her voice students to Babcock's home for training. Eventually, Bowen was hired as South's choir director, and Babcock later followed.

"She's a very demanding person," Babcock said of the successes Bowen's choirs have shown. "Her choral programs are phenomenal."

Babcock spent her days at South, giving private lessons to students throughout the school day and into the evening.

"They come in as freshmen, and they're in a very little formal training," Babcock said of her pupils. "They don't know how to breathe and support the tone. I work to improve their vowel enunciation and getting the voice into the top of the head. The main goal is for them to work very hard at something and enjoy it. I'm trying to turn these kids into adults who will enjoy and appreciate the arts."

Together, Babcock and Bowen have produced some outstanding vocal talent. Many students are off in New York City, auditioning and performing on Broadway, while others have been admitted to prestigious and competitive music programs such as the University of Michigan, the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and Indiana University.

"We've had great successes as a team," Babcock said. "The program is very, very competitive."

Through it all, Babcock has raised two children, Susan and Stephen. The entire Babcock family carries a passion for music. She



Sharon Babcock

and her husband met while both had been singing in a group which performed with the Detroit Symphony. It was a blind date. Twenty-seven years later, both have chosen to retire together and travel.

Their daughter, Susan, lives in New York City and is currently subbing for Beauty and the Beast on Broadway, teaching for the Madori and Friends Foundation for inner-city kids, and performing in a brass quintet. Steven, a junior at Xavier University majoring in business, is also a musician, having played the tuba while at South.

Babcock has also enjoyed the time she spent as a docent for the Detroit Zoo and at the Belle Isle Aquarium. As a member of the Michigan Orchid Society, she has a personal goal to have at least one orchid in bloom through every month of the year. She has three blooming right now.

Although moving on from

teaching won't be easy for Babcock, she has dedicated her life to music. In her youth, she studied at the Baldwin

Wallace Conservatory of Music. For years, she and her husband have been members of the choir at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where she also directed the youth choir. But she will never forget the 16 years she spent with students at South.

"There have been so many great memories," she said. "The Grosse Pointe kids are

extremely bright and a thrill to work with."

Babcock's last hurrah with South's choir will be at the annual Fall Follies on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, November 2, at 2 p.m.

Immediately following the Sunday performance, a party will be held in Babcock's honor in the lobby of the Performing Arts Center.

The program will feature music from West Side Story,

favorites from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and today, jazz selections by the Vocal Jazz Ensemble and the South Jazz Band, a Disney medley, tap dancing to a medley of Americana tunes, and music from the popular movie, "Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?"

Tickets for the Follies are \$12 for the main floor and \$10 for the balcony. Tickets may be purchased at Posterity A Gallery, or by calling (313) 882-8540. If available, tickets will be sold at the door.



### Academy students 'CATCH' Paul W. Smith

The Grosse Pointe Academy's fourth annual CATCH Fun Run had a "catch" this year — it featured a special visit from Paul W. Smith, morning host of the Paul W. Smith Show on WJR-AM.

Before the race, held on Friday, Oct. 3, students in grades one through five gathered on the front porch to hear brief remarks from Smith, who is being honored this year by the CATCH organization as one of three recipients of the Dr. Clarence S. Livingood Humanitarian Award. Also present to cheer the children on as they ran twice around the soccer field was Jim Hughes, executive director of CATCH. Each child contributed at least \$5 to participate, with a total amount of nearly \$1,000 raised and donated directly to CATCH. The CATCH organization stands for Caring Athletes Team for Children's and Henry Ford Hospitals. CATCH was founded in 1987 by Sparky Anderson.

Pictured with the Academy Bulldog are, from right, Hughes, Smith and Smith's son Adam, an Academy fifth-grader.



### St. Paul students create robots

Lauren Bab, Kathleen Seski, Georgio Rastelli and Andrew Bituin participate in the St. Paul Catholic School robotics class, an elective course taught by Mike Novak.

"The goal is to work together in a group, to do something they haven't done before," Novak said. "This class involves problem-solving, creativity and design. Math, engineering and science are all integrated."

The next robotics classes will include programming a roverbot for touch sensitivity and light sensitivity.

"I like science, and this gives me a chance to learn how to build a robot, download instructions to the roverbot and test on an obstacle course," Bituin said.

Novak added that a number of female students have joined the class, something he enjoys seeing in a predominantly male class.

"It's terrific for the girls that they made a decision to study robotics," he said.



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# Richard safety patrol attends training seminar

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Christy Platts now has a full safety patrol at Richard Elementary School, following an extensive recruitment process and training seminar held last week.

After an initial low turnout of interested fourth- and fifth-graders, Platts encouraged 35 students to join the safety patrol, filling the seven posts and creating two separate teams.

The responsibilities of a safety patrol member are very important, according to Platts. Among them are keeping young children safe as they walk to school and cross the street. Safety patrol members are expected to be on time for their duty, always be alert, and wear their uniform with pride.

Platts arranged to hold a training seminar for the new squad, in order to encourage students' dedication to their positions.

"If you make the kids feel important and proud, they'll do their best," she said.

Jack Peet, AAA traffic

consultant, came to Richard to give the training seminar.

"I go to schools and talk to kids about safety," Peet told the students. "You guys are the cream of the crop because you've got a lot of responsibility out there."

The former state trooper emphasized the importance of the safety patrol members' various duties and explained proper procedures when at each post.

"You guys are very important and have a lot of people counting on you," he said. "When you put that belt on, you are joining one million other kids across the nation who are safeties."

Describing the students as role models for younger students who look up to them, Peet stressed the importance of respecting kids as they're walking to school and not letting friends distract them from their duty.

"Something can happen just like that," he said. "When you're out there, you've got to do your job."

The students then viewed a video which contained

technical tips about how to most efficiently work their posts.

Judge Christopher Murray, father of two safety patrol members and a former Richard safety patrol captain, swore in the new squad. Under his direction, the students pledged to be the best safety patrol members they could be.

"This is a job where you're going to have a lot of responsibility to get these kids to and from school in a safe manner," he said.

Judge Murray was proud of the students as they officially became safety patrol members. He also pointed out that he was once a member of the squad at Richard.

The students were excited to become members of the safety patrol. Nicole Rhodes, a fifth-grader in her second year on the squad, had seen kids at their posts when she was young and wanted to be apart of it.

"The other kids look up to you when you are on the safety patrol," she said.

The squad's captain, Alex Padilla, a fifth-grader at Richard, is excited for his duties this year.

"It was really fun last year, knowing that I was helping other kids," he said. This year as captain, Padilla doesn't have a post. Every



Photos by Jennie Miller

Nicole Rhodes, John Willard, Alex Padilla, Matthew Starrs and Maura Moin are the senior members of Richard Elementary School's safety patrol, who underwent a training seminar last week with squad organizer and physical education instructor Christy Platts.

morning, he goes to each post and makes sure everyone is there on time and doing his job.

"Safety patrol is an important job," said Maura Moin, a fifth-grader and the squad's lieutenant. "My dad

did it and was a lieutenant too."

The squad also has fun nights to reward the students for a job well done, a job that takes a lot of sacrifice and dedication, according to Platts. John Willard, a

fifth-grade captain of the squad, is excited for the Detroit Tigers game the members will see in the spring. Students will also have a bowling night, fun night, and see a Pistons game.



Judge Christopher Murray swears in Richard Elementary School's 2003-04 safety patrol squad of 35 members.

## North pops and pastries

The music department of Grosse Pointe North High School will host the annual Pops and Pastries Concert on Saturday, Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the school's gym.

Directed by David Cleveland and Joseph Bauer, the orchestra, concert and symphony band members will perform selections from the music of John Williams.

The popular Jazz Band will also perform. Homemade pastries, pizza and beverages will be available for purchase throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for students and children, and are available at the door. Call (313) 432-3322 for more information.

## ULS student takes leadership challenge in Washington, D.C.

University Liggett School upper school student John Herbst recently participated in the National Young Leaders Conference (NYLC) in Washington, D.C. Sponsored by the

Congressional Youth Leadership Council, NYLC is a unique leadership development program for students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit.

Herbst was one of approximately 350 outstanding scholars from around the country at the conference.

The conference theme of "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today" allowed Herbst to interact with key elected officials, political appointees and newsmakers in an exploration of the three branches of government, the news media, and the international community.

"It was no surprise to us when John was chosen to participate in the conference," said head of upper school Christopher Hartley. "He demonstrates his leadership abilities on a daily basis here at ULS."

"He has proven himself to be a voice for student causes, and he never shies away from the opportunity to speak up. He definitely embodies those characteristics which allow him to take the lead at ULS and beyond."

Herbst also participated in a number of leadership skill-building activities which included role-playing as the president of the United States.

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## Students broadcast live from Trombly's WTRO

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Live coverage of all the action at Trombly Elementary School can be seen weekday mornings on WTRO. Students are featured on the program as

newscasters.

The news channel was created last year by former principal Jean Rusing, after viewing the successes shown in a similar project at Montclair Elementary School. This past summer,

new equipment was purchased and wired into Trombly's classrooms, each already outfitted with a television set, by Tom Sadler, Grosse Pointe North High School's production genius.

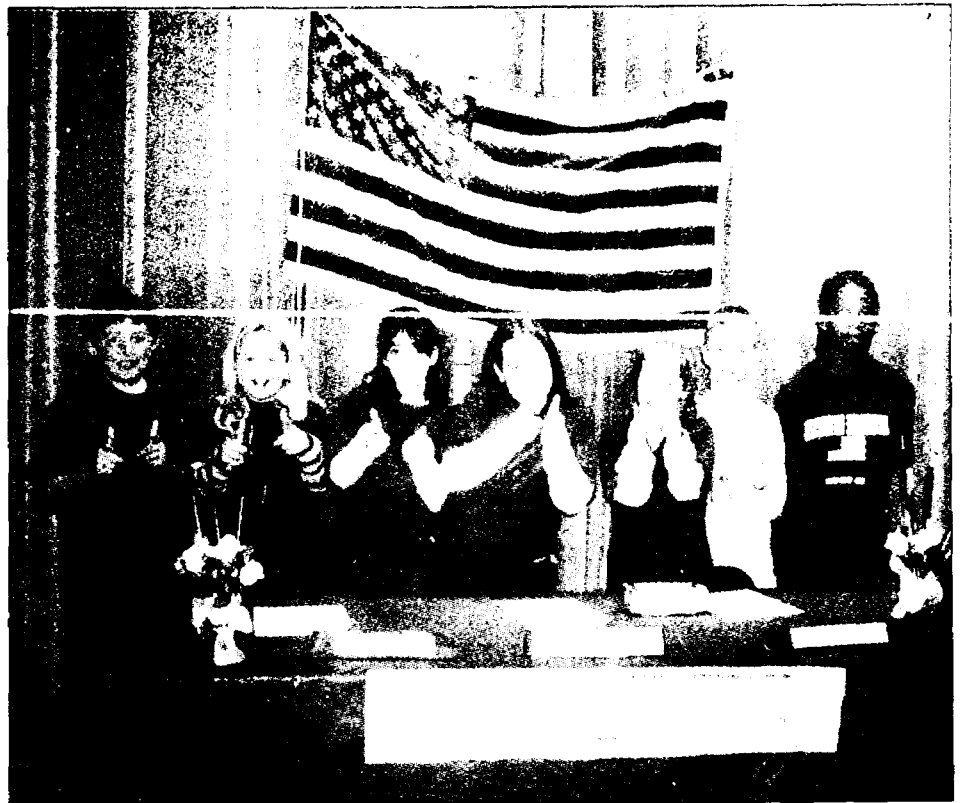
Now teams of six students put together morning broadcasts, rotating weekly. Three students are typically on air each day; another works the sound board; and the rest manage props and equipment.

"I like being on TV," said fifth-grader Alix Chromka. "It's a fun activity which gets shown to everyone in the school."

WTRO is organized by Trombly instructor Jane McCaughrin.

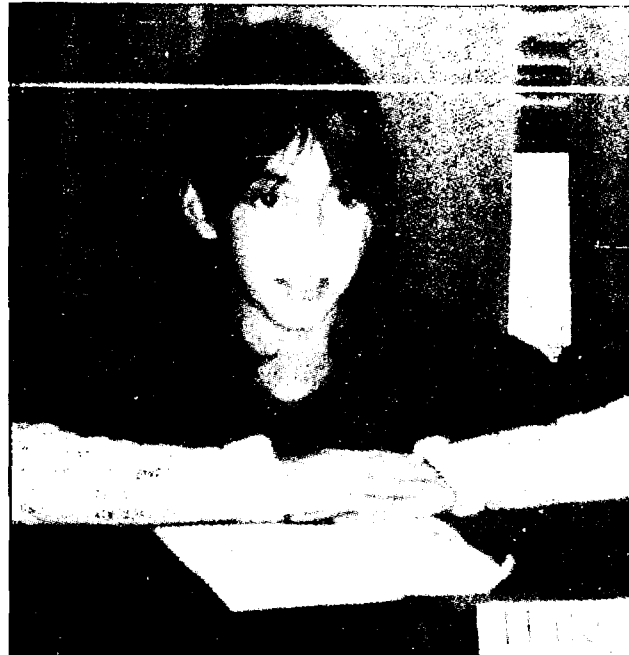
"Any student who wants to participate and be on TV will get that chance," she said.

Each broadcast consists of any important announcements pertinent to the students at Trombly, such as the specials teachers who are on campus that day, the lunch menu and weather. One student relayed a message to stomp out bullying; another encouraged kids to visit the Trombly Spirit Store, which is raising money for the fifth-grade picnic. The school recites the



Photos by Jennie Miller

**Trombly Elementary School's news program, WTRO, allows students to act as broadcasters live on the air in front of the entire student body. From left, are fifth-graders Evan VanSlembrouck, Alix Chromka, Haley Smith, Margaret Levasseur, Shelby Stone, student council president Kevin Peck and student council vice president Tay'lor Lacey.**



**Fifth-grader Haley Smith speaks to the entire student body on Trombly Elementary School's WTRO. Below, fifth-grader Evan VanSlembrouck controls the sound board and makes sure the cameras are set as the news team prepares for the morning broadcast.**



Pledge of Allegiance; student council representatives make announcements; and sometimes even principal Walter Fitzpatrick makes an appearance.

"I think (WTRO) is a great way for students to listen to morning announcements," he said of the program.

Each weekly team also comes up with a fun idea or gimmick to add to the program, such as fun facts about the new principal, guess the baby picture and Michigan trivia.

"It's a time where we can just relax and have fun," said fifth-grader Margaret Levasseur.

Surprisingly, there hasn't

been much stage fright expressed yet from the students, McCaughrin said.

"They realize that it's just the camera in front of them, and they become more relaxed," she said.

"I'm not nervous anymore," said fifth-grader Haley Smith. "I feel confident; I learned how to speak better, and I learned what it's like to be on TV."

The students practice for a half hour each morning before going on air. They read through the script three times to make sure everyone knows his or her lines, cues and where to be.

The equipment is tested; personal microphones are

issued, and cameras are set for action.

"Every morning I set up the camera and make sure everything is working," said fifth-grader Evan VanSlembrouck. "I have learned a lot about microphones and how to use the soundboard."

After the bell announces the start of school, chimes ring through the classroom intercoms signaling teachers to turn on their TVs for the breaking news at Trombly.

By the end of the week, the team hands over the reins to the next group, now seasoned professionals and ready for prime time.

## St. Clare studies the Wright Brothers

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School students learned how to build kites while recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' first flight.

Gordon Negen, of the Mackinaw Kite Co. in Grand Haven, came to visit the school last week and hosted kite designing workshops with the first-, second- and third-grade students.

Negen brought in kites of all shapes and sizes, including a Chinese kite that spanned the room.

Students viewed films of kite competitions which showed how acrobatic they can be. Then they were able to construct their own.

"The students were very excited," said Kathy Pilowski. "He kept their interest going."

The older students assisted their younger buddies in the kite-making process and then proceeded outside to test the finished products.

Negen discussed safety precautions before the students let their kites soar into the air on St. Clare's front lawn.

In the afternoon, the older students were able to view a presentation by Negen, who took on the role of Orville Wright and discussed the history of flight.

"He had the students enthralled," said St. Clare principal Hank Burakowski. "It was wonderful."

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# Teacher combs the country for perfect job at ULS

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Brian Wright took a chance with University Liggett School.

He was looking for a job which would allow him to interact with people and feel as though he was making a difference. He chose teaching, a decision which led to ULS.

Wright has now made a home for himself right here in Michigan. Just after accepting the position at ULS, he left California and purchased a house in Detroit, where he hopes to stay indefinitely.

"I'm really excited," he said of the new life he's cre-

ated for himself.

The first-year teacher seems to have a knack for the trade. Having been educated in small schools all over the country, he seems to fit right in the ULS community.

Born in Asheville, N.C., Wright grew up in North Palm Beach, Fla.

"I went to a very small private school," he said of his early education which was similar to that of ULS. "I was very active in sports and theater."

His high school experience was spent at St. Andrews, a boarding school in Delaware.

"It was a great opportuni-

ty," he said of the school which offered him the opportunity to play soccer and baseball, perform in the concert choir and compete on the swim team.

Following high school, Wright moved out west and attended Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

"It was a great school," he said. "It's a top 40 liberal arts college and offered a great opportunity to see another part of the world and meet new people."

While at Whitman, Wright swam for four years, played baseball for two years, sang in the men's Capella group, and was very active in the Sigma Chi fra-



Brian Wright

ternity. He majored in geology and minored in vocal music.

After graduating in 2000, Wright moved to Berkeley, Calif. to work for an engineering firm as a geologist.

But after three years, he was ready to change his focus.

"At that point, which was eight months ago, I decided it was time to make a career move," Wright said. "I liked my work, but not the job itself. I need to be around people. I need to feel as if I'm making a difference."

Wright first considered the idea of joining the marines to become a pilot, something his grandfather did and a dream he had long considered.

But teaching was the

career he chose to pursue. Wright got in touch with a secondary school headhunting firm which set him up with numerous interviews, ULS included.

"The interview was fantastic," he said of meeting head of school Matthew Hanly and dean of faculty Carol Douglas for the first time. "I came away with a great feeling about the school."

Wright flew to Detroit a few weeks later for a second interview and to examine the campus with his own eyes.

"I loved it," he said. "It was a great experience and made my decision solid."

With offers from schools all over the country including Nevada, California and New Hampshire, Wright's decision came down to where he felt most comfortable.

"I wanted a wide variety of things to do in my school," he said. "ULS was small enough where I felt I could really work hard and make a difference."

Two months into the school year, Wright has taken on quite a bit of responsibilities, just as he had hoped. He teaches chemistry, physics and two engineering technology classes at the upper school.

"I try to make the labs and class time as hands-on as possible," he said. "It's

important for the kids to not just hear me lecture about science, but do the science with their own hands. They learn by watching it happen."

Right from the start, Wright was quite impressed with the science department and received a warm welcome from fellow faculty members.

"ULS has fantastic facilities in the science department and incredible teachers who also serve as mentors for me as a first-year teacher," he said.

Wright will also be coaching the boys and girls swim teams this winter, and hopes to assist in coaching a baseball or softball team in the spring. And as advisor to seven juniors, Wright enjoys getting to know the students on a level outside of the classroom environment.

"I've learned that the best way to access a kid is not only by following what he does in class, but socially, on the athletic fields, and in the arts," Wright said. "I want to get to know the kids and talk about life. It makes it easier for them to come see me. They're not as intimidated."

Wright is thrilled so far with his decision to become a teacher, move to Michigan and join ULS.

"I'm happy I've had the opportunity to do this," he said.



## South students study water quality

Greg Heffner's environmental science students at Grosse Pointe South High School took part in an all-day field trip last week, enjoying one last trip out on Lake St. Clair before chilly weather hits the Pointes.

"We started at the water quality/pumping station behind Fishbones," Heffner said. "The kids saw how our drinking water is drawn in from Lake St. Clair, sterilized, filtered for clarity and taste and pumped to our homes."

The group then boarded a boat staffed by Michigan State University limnologists and cruised the lake, making several stops for comparative analysis of the drinking water source.

"The students tested for hardness, pH, nitrate, nitrite, fertilizers, pesticides, lead and bacteria," Heffner said. "The students also dredged the bottom for the presence of telltale sentinel organisms."

Along the way, the classes also learned some basic history and navigation of the Great Lakes.

"We then went to the sewage treatment/water quality plant of Macomb County behind the Gibraltar Trade Center where the students realized that everything that goes down our drains has a cost to it before it eventually ends up back in Lake St. Clair," he said. "They were pretty grossed out by this last stop, but now they know first hand that they are a part of an ecological process and their actions, good and bad, can have a direct effect on their environment. We can live seven to eight weeks without food, but we can't even last three to four days without clean drinking water."

The trip was made possible through funding efforts of the Grosse Pointe South Mother's Club and the Grosse Pointe South Science Foundation.

## Senior class wins North's spirit award, 95.5 dance

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

When Danielle Dipert heard her name announced as the recipient of Grosse Pointe North High School's spirit award, a flood of emotions rushed to her heart.

"I was shocked. I was overwhelmed and overjoyed," she said of the honor bestowed upon her and the Class of 2004, of which she is the advisor. "I was very proud of all the students in my class — their leadership, their character. It's really their award."

The annual award recognizes outstanding leadership, community service and

the embodiment of the spirit of a true Norseman. The recipient sets a high standard for those who follow.

Dipert and the senior class were named this year's winners because of the dedication she and the students have shown to the AIDS Walk Detroit over the past three years.

"We've raised close to \$25,000 these last three years," she said of the charity campaign's great success. "Again, I'm really proud of them. They've helped to make the school's part in the walk successful each year and we've had a lot of fun. Because of our school, there

are now challenges out to other schools to beat us and raise more money."

After last year's participation in the event, joined by the Class of 2005, North was honored with a school dance hosted by radio station 95.5 FM, for having raised the most money of any other participating group. This honor has been bestowed upon the school again this year.

"We were told last week that we won the 95.5 dance again," she said. "I am so extremely happy for the students."

Proceeds from the AIDS Walk Detroit go to organizations in the metropolitan Detroit area which provide direct care, education or prevention services to people infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS. For more information, visit the organization's Web site at [www.aidswalkdetroit.org](http://www.aidswalkdetroit.org).

## South's debate team scores

The Grosse Pointe South High School debate team competed at the George Pappas Memorial Debate Tournament, held annually at Wayne State University.

The team of Shannon Montgomery and Alice Walker made it to the final round of the junior varsity division, finishing second overall in that division. Walker won distinction as the seventh best speaker overall in the tournament. Team captain Leigh Wedenoja was also recognized as tenth best speaker overall.

## Correction

Last week's article about Rosetta Pebble incorrectly stated the date of the band's next concert.

They will perform on Saturday, Nov. 8, at Cupacino in Grosse Pointe Park.

## Eyeglass collection

Mason Elementary School's Pack No. 290 is collecting used glasses and sunglasses for Sight Night, a community service project sponsored by Lens Crafters and Lions Clubs International which collects glasses and distributes them to those less fortunate.

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## Dads join the fun at St. Paul

St. Paul Catholic School first-through third-grade students celebrated their fabulous fathers last month during special activities held at the school.

Students invited their fathers, grandfathers, uncles or a special man in their lives to join in on the celebration.

Activities included a free-throw basketball competition, relay races, musical chairs and hot potato. Fabulous fathers were then able to enjoy ice cream and play on the playground with their St. Paul students.

At right, Richard Whitney hangs out with his son, Hewitt Whitney and his buddy James Zambetti.



## Star third-graders visit seniors at nursing home

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Our Lady Star of the Sea third-graders reached out to senior citizens last week as they visited Bon Secours Nursing Care Center.

The field trip was organized by the school's librarian, Betsy Sierzenga and third-grade teacher Joette Liamini, whose mothers both reside at the nursing home.

Interaction with senior citizens is a positive experience for the kids, Liamini said, and the seniors appreciated the visits.

"It was a good experience to visit the nursing home," said third-grader Ashley Rahi of Grosse Pointe Shores. "I liked it a lot. They said they were grateful that we came."

Each student was paired with at least one senior citizen. Before leaving the school, each student selected a book from the library to read to his or her partner.

Third-grader Anthony Lesha of Grosse Pointe Shores read "One Tiny Turtle" to his partner at the nursing home.

"I thought it was a good book," he said. "The illustrations were great too."

Lesha said he enjoyed the experience.

"I like to go visit people who need caring," he said. "I think it made her very happy."

Third-grader Keith Abdenour of Grosse Pointe Woods selected "Froggy's Halloween, because of the nearness of the holiday."

"My heart felt good when I read to her — I felt I did a good deed," he said.

The students also presented the seniors with hand-made cards and small figurines of a child with their names inscribed on it.

"She said it was very pretty," said third-grader Claire Bouret of St. Clair Shores. "I had a good time, and I think they enjoyed our company."

Deemed a successful field trip, Liamini hopes to bring the children back to the nursing home for another visit later in the year. She said the activity director at the nursing home was thrilled about the experience.

"The looks on their faces said it all," Liamini said. "It was as good for the seniors as it was for the little people."

### St. Clare strives to make a difference

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School's annual Make-a-Difference-Day Carnival will be held on Saturday, Nov. 1, in the church social hall, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Guests will be charged \$1 or a donation of a school supply for admission to the carnival which includes a haunted house, a variety of booths, a raffle table and a food court.

The school's goal is to raise \$2,000 for assistance setting up a library in Gambia and to support a children's cancer program in northern Michigan.

## Fifth-grade classes bond during annual trips

By Jennie Miller  
Staff Writer

Camp Storer was the site of numerous learning opportunities and class bonding experiences this month.

Maire Elementary School's fifth-grade class participated in the school's annual trip to the camp grounds. The class was followed by that of Poupard and Kerby elementary schools.

Many of the schools in the district have these types of field trips for the kids of last hurrah to elementary school.

"The idea is to have a team-building culminating experience for the fifth-graders, where they'll be engaged in outdoor activities and cooperative learning," said Maire's principal, Kathleen Satut. "We had a wonderful experience this year with beautiful weather."

Much of the trip is aligned with the fifth-grade curriculum. One of the big activities at Camp Storer this year was the underground railroad simulation. Students role-played what it would have been like to be a part of the underground railroad in Michigan.

"I learned what it would

be like to be escaping slavery," said fifth-grader Nate Zimmeth of Grosse Pointe Park.

"I learned that slaves were treated differently," said fifth-grader Lorna Burns of Grosse Pointe Park. "I learned how hard it was for them."

Students also participated in an orientation class where they worked with compasses and learned how to find their way.

"We learned how to survive, how to stay together as a team and how to survive when you're lost," Burns said.

They also participated in a Lewis and Clark simulation, which was a sort of scavenger hunt.

"The simulation tied in quite nicely with what they're studying," Satut said.

Other activities included canoeing, horseback riding and wall-climbing, which

involved wearing harnesses and using each other for support.

"The students had to rely on each other and use strategy and planning," Satut said.

In a class of 59 students, only two were unable to make the trip to Camp Storer this year, a fact that proves to Satut just how much the students enjoy the experience year after year.

"I myself enjoy it very much—it's a wonderful way to bond with the fifth-graders," she said. "It is also a way of making fifth grade a very special and memorable experience for the students. It is the highlight of elementary school. They always have such a good time."

"It was a lot of fun," Zimmeth said. "It was the best field trip I've ever been on."

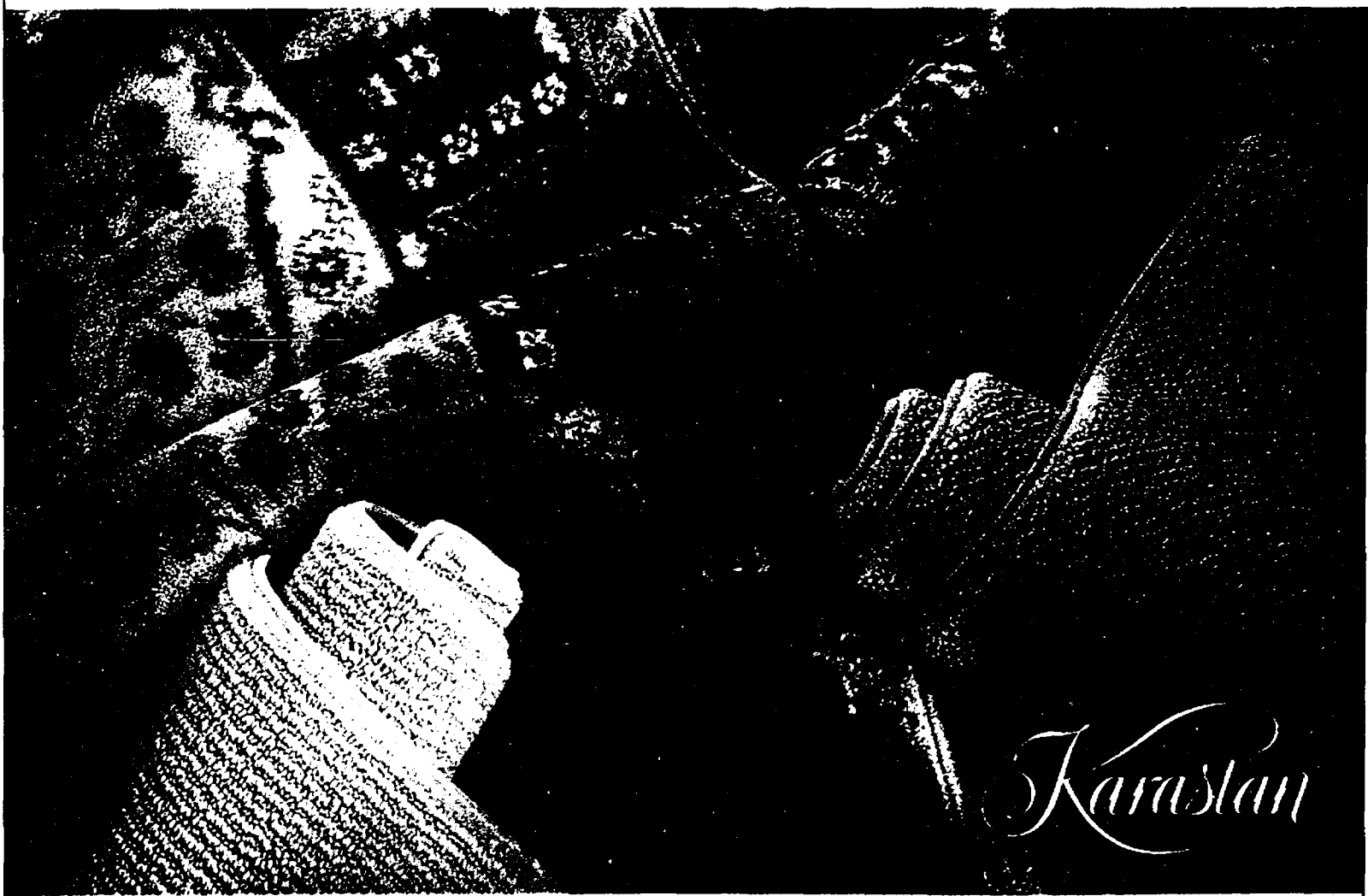
The annual trip is subsidized by Maire's PTO.

### Howe Military School

Howe Military School has announced its Superintendent's List and Headmaster's List for the first grading period of the 2003-04 school year. Cadet Michael Carter, a 12th grader at Howe and the son of Mike and Karen Carter of Grosse Pointe Park, was named to the Superintendent's List by attaining at least a 3.5 average in his studies in the college preparatory curriculum. Cadet Kevin Yaklin, a 10th grader at Howe and the son of Kathy and Bill Yaklin of Grosse Pointe Park, was named to the Headmaster's List by attaining at least a 3.0 average in his studies.

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## Tech

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of bobbing for apples, as well as parlor pastimes like the provocative game where couples together bite into suspended doughnuts with their hands tied behind their backs. (What is romantic about sticking your head in a tub of water? The doughnut biting sounds fun, though.)

Edwardian postcards featured classic Halloween images: witches, cats, bats and owls, and little charms and chants to attract sweethearts and foresee the future. (Hi, sweetie! Look, I got you a bat!)

In Germanic Pagan tradition, taxes and wages were collected in person at this time of year. (Count on the Germans to screw up the fun.)

In Scotland, this practice turned into playful door-to-door begging called "guising." (Disguising?)

The ancient art of communing with the spirit world evolved into "soulling" in England. Folks wandered about at night,

disguised, welcoming the ancestors back with lights held in carved out turnips. (It's dark out; turnip the lamp.)

Later, with the rise of the church, seeking contact with the other side was discouraged, and folks attempted to frighten ghosts, and John Edwards, away.

In America, successive waves of European immigrants in the 1800s diluted British traditions, and when nighttime mischief making began to be practiced by the newcomers, it fueled native prejudices and fears of juvenile delinquency. (We wouldn't want to "egg" on the kids, right?)

By the turn of the last century, Halloween had become an ever more destructive way to "let off steam" for crowded and poor urban dwellers.

As Stuart Schneider writes in his book, "Halloween in America" (1995), vandalism that had once been limited to tipping outhouses, preferably when occupied, or removing gates,

soaping windows and switching shop signs, by the 1920s had become nasty (with real destruction of property and cruelty to animals and people).

Schneider writes that neighborhood committees and local city clubs such as the Boy Scouts then mobilized to organize safe and fun alternatives to vandalism.

School posters of the time call for a "Sane Halloween."

Good children were encouraged to go door to door and receive treats from homes and shop owners, thereby keeping troublemakers away.

By the 1930s, these "beggar's nights" were enormously popular and being practiced nationwide, with the "trick or treat!" greeting widespread from the late 1930s. The 1900s through the mid 1960s were the golden age of Halloween-themed Americana.

Paper-cast Jack O'Lanterns and candy containers, die cut decorations, wooden ratchets, and tin noisemakers, postcards and party idea magazines abounded. They featured wacky, mischievous pumpkin-headed kids or goofy characters composed of vegetable shapes. (Oh my, here come the Vegans!)

Cats and owls had grinning teeth and rolling eyes. Witches were fierce and strong characters, often retaining a realistic, old-woman quality about them.

Devils were particularly gleefully fierce and represented naughtiness, or lack of conscience.

Many of these pieces were made by women in German cottage industries before World War II and later expanded in Japan.

The decorations of those decades reveal a society secure enough to get pleasure out of being spooked, apparently preserving fear

for real enemies and actual threats.

(Honey, what do you mean you don't like the bat? It was the best one on display. All the rest just

seemed to lie there.)

Next week, we will visit the Southeast Michigan Ghost Hunters Society.

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 mtmaur@comcast.net.



Photos by Robert McKean

## Magnificent Sears opening

Sears at Eastland Center opened its doors for business on Saturday, Oct. 11. At top, Mayor Ken Poynter, a vigorous advocate of the expanding business climate at the mall, spoke at the ribbon cutting ceremony. The actual ribbon cutting was performed by, above, left to right, Christian Knight, home improvement leader, Joann Tukes, Merchandising and Customer Assistance (MCA) associate; Janet Jackson, MCA associate; and Sears general manager Pam Blanchard.

"We are quite pleased with the public's response to the Sears Grand Opening," said Denise DeSantis, director of marketing for Eastland. "It was a treat to see all the new faces reexperiencing Eastland Center again. The store has a fresh look and an array of merchandise to offer."

At the opening Sears gave a \$10,000 check to Housing Opportunities for Macomb, Inc. A \$1,000 shopping spree was also awarded. A host of celebrities graced the center, like former Detroit Tiger Willie Horton, former Red Wing Joe Kocur and "All my Children" actor Maximilian Alexander. The band Ursula Walker and Buddy Budson offered musical entertainment.

"In terms of meeting a family's everyday needs, Sears has added great value to Eastland Center at wonderful prices," DeSantis said.

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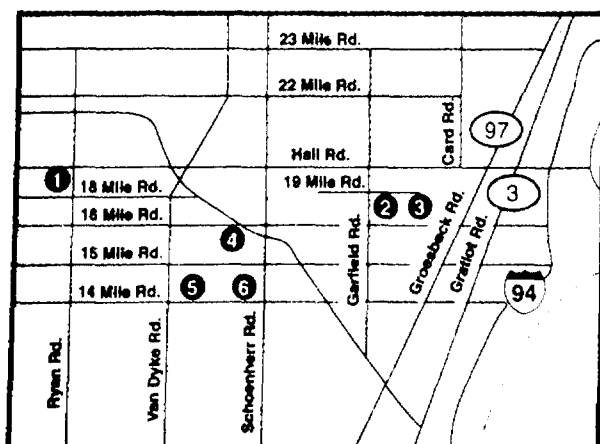
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# Market flat last week, not much movement

The earnings were good; the economic news good, but Friday witnessed another triple-witching day with expiration of options.

The trouble was the rarefied air at these altitudes made climbing difficult.

The stock market seemed to welcome the pause.

Last week's activity caused the Dow to creep up 1/2 of 1 percent, or 47 points, to close at 9,722.

The tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite drifted lower 15/100 of 1 percent, or 3 points, closing almost unchanged at 1,912.

Gold was off fractionally, \$1.80/ounce, closing last Friday at \$371.80.

Crude oil also drifted lower, off 1.29, closing above \$30 again, at \$30.68/barrel.

Natural gas also let off some steam, declining 61.6 cents, to close at 5.036.

And the U.S. dollar inched up against the euro, closing at 1.167 per 1 euro. Summer travelers to Europe report that vacation costs were "sky high!"

## Rukeyser hosts SEC chairman

"Louis Rukeyser's Wall Street" is a must-see on CNBC every Friday at 8:30 p.m. America's favorite stock market commentator

for almost forever has the knack for hosting the Who's Who of Wall Street every week!

Last Friday's special guest was William H. Donaldson, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the federal regulator of the NYSE, specialists, floor traders, investment bankers, securities analysts, stock brokers, mutual funds, money managers and investment counselors. (Who was inadvertently left out?)

For all of Wall Street's scandals, the U.S. buck stops here!

Wall Street certainly has been down a rough patch in the road recently, which has left more than a few investors suspicious of the honesty of many financial institutions, including commercial banks, brokerages and insurance companies.

Donaldson told Rukeyser that the SEC has a full plate this fall, trying to solve problems with:

- 1) the NYSE specialist system,
- 2) possible separation of the NYSE's regulatory role from its operational role,
- 3) possible registration of hedge funds and
- 4) urgent need for additional agency appropriations.

## Let's talk... STOCKS

By Joseph Mengden



Rukeyser's weekly panelists included the big bear, Marty Zweig, who asked, "Why are stocks only up 2 percent so far this month when reported earnings increases average 17 percent year over year?"

Mary Farrell, a frequent panelist, commented, "The easy money has been made."

Tom Gallagher said that only two things wake up Congress: crisis and Christmas!

Both times bring the arrival of the lobbyists dropping their ever-welcome golden envelopes to every congressman and senator.

## Michael Sivy's stock advice

Michael Sivy is Money magazine's Wall Street editor and a very prolific author of investment books.

This month, he answers his own questions:

- 1) Are stocks due for long-term under performance? No, but don't expect returns like the 1990s.
- 2) Do stocks move in real patterns? No; over the short-term, stocks are unpredictable.
- 3) What's a secular bear market? One that continues over several business cycles of expansion and contraction.
- 4) Are we in a secular bear market? I don't think so. Inflation is the biggest factor in determining long-term stock returns. A 10 percent average return like 1948-66 or 1982-99 is within reach. Severe 7 percent

inflation, like 1966-82, stalled the market for 16 years with no gains.

5) Is deflation a risk? Not with continual congressional deficits and Fed easy money.

6) Why own bonds? Now is not the time to own long-term bonds.

7) Are the recent scandals dangerous for stocks? Let's hope they scared people into being more honest.

8) Are blue chips overvalued? Compared to 50-year average P/Es, stocks are trading at a 30 percent premium.

9) Is Nasdaq's run-up sustainable? Techs are not yet overpriced, but they are more volatile and could suffer sharp short-term setbacks.

10) Which stocks are best to buy now? Aggressive stocks with 15 percent long-term earnings growth are best. For income, look for 21/2 percent yield plus 12 percent earnings growth.

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The Wall Street Journal (Oct. 7) reported that 40 of

## Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 10/17/03

Dow Jones Ind.	9,722
Nasdaq Comp.	1,912
S&P 500 Index	1,039
\$ in EUROS	1.1675
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## Pass me the skull



And I learned it all on the Internet.

For most cultures, the beginning of autumn's dying season traditionally initiates a time of reflection about those who have passed away.

In northern Britain, the words "ghost" and "geist" (geist) are the same word.

In isolated and mountainous Celtic villages, dead relatives were dug up and their skulls reverently painted so they could rejoin the family during October feasts. (Just what I want, my dead Uncle George showing up for dinner wearing make-up. But I digress.)

With little space to spare for burial, these skulls would be stacked and saved for future events, usually in eerie rooms. (Not to be confused with Huron, Superior, Michigan or Ontario rooms.)

Other world cultures celebrate the end of harvest with nighttime wandering to either welcome or frighten away roving spirits.

Some festivals include door-to-door begging to benefit children and the poor.

Mexico's Day of the Dead on Nov. 2 combines honoring the dead by tidying graveyards and offering food to ancestors with the playful and macabre preponderance of sugar skulls and papier-mache skeletons. I guess it's their way of saying, "Hasta la vista, baby!"

In the United States, the sacred autumn aspects of divination and communication with the spirit world are a legacy of the Celts.

American Halloween activities descend from the British Isles, focusing on parties and nighttime mischief, evolving only during the 1900s into "trick or treating."

19th century Halloween parties involved play-acting, costumes and whimsical fortune telling. Parties were fun for the children and gave courting couples an excuse for romantic nighttime walks and visits. (Want a kiss on the neck, darling?)

Victorian-era lovers revived the ancient practice

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By Alex M. Lucido

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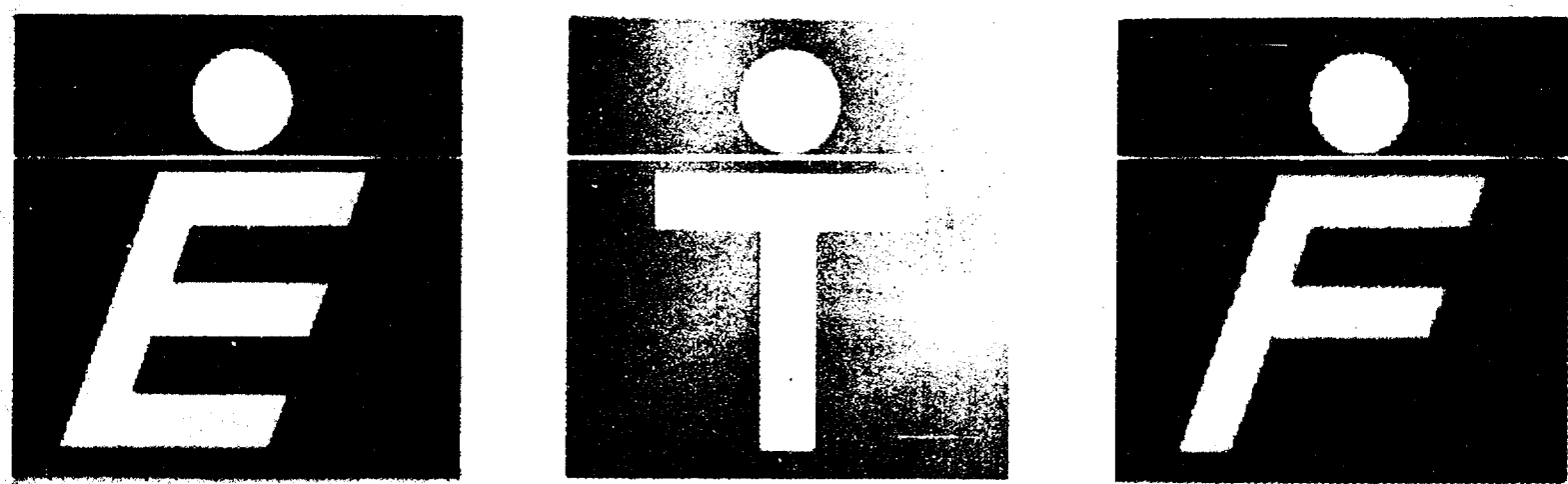
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## Fearless symmetry

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

The fog comes on little cat feet. Tiger cubs don't.

Not the trio of sneering, snarling, snorting little coiled springs of cold fury born of carnivorous parents two months ago at the Detroit Zoo.

Three Amur cubs, otherwise known as Siberian tigers, will go on exhibit sometime in November.

But on this mid-October morning, the future 500-pound meat-eaters must endure a challenge unknown in the wild.

The cats are about to be poked and, worse yet, made to lie still during the first physical examination of their fidgety little lives.

Dr. Ann Duncan, the zoo's chief veterinarian, who played with garter snakes and harbored injured sparrows as a girl growing up in suburbia, prepares for her role as pediatrician to some of the rarest cats on the planet.

"We're going to check the cubs' eyes, ears and teeth; listen to their hearts and lungs, feel their bellies to see if the organs are normal, take their temperature and determine their gender," Duncan said. "We're going to vaccinate them and collect blood samples."

She stood in a spotless, cavernous examination room. An attendant wheeled in a gleaming stainless steel examination table.

Another attendant cov-

ered the chilly tabletop with a white sheet decorated with the type of frivolous red rabbit and yellow balloon patterns that are supposed to divert the attention of wary infants from the unpleasantness of a doctor's prodding.

Duncan wore an over-shirt printed with playful tigers dancing happy-faced similar to Snoopy upon stealing a kiss from Lucy.

Duncan smiled apprehen-

sively to the growing discord of gnarly growls echoing from an adjacent handling room. The cubs were being separated from their mother for the very first time.

"They're a little bit vicious," Duncan said softly to five anxious zookeepers moments before check-ups began.

The lowest growl, a vibrating, apocalyptic reso-

nance of wrath, came from mother Sheba, 11, in the next room. Father, Benak, 13, was off somewhere else. Father tigers are deadbeat dads.

One by one, cubs were carried in, weighed, admired, examined and taken away.

Keepers quickly ringed the impatient patients,

Photos by Brad Lindberg  
A 2-month-old female Amur tiger protests during her first physical examination at the Detroit Zoo. Dr. Ann Duncan, left, uses a slit lamp to look inside the glaring eyes of the ticked-off, 11.3-pound exotic animal. Three cubs born at the zoo in August will go on display sometime in November.

grasping each of four black-and orange-striped legs.

Everyone was careful to stay away from claws. One keeper held the heads in check, mindful to keep fingers away from stiletto

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### HICKEY'S WALTON PIERCE

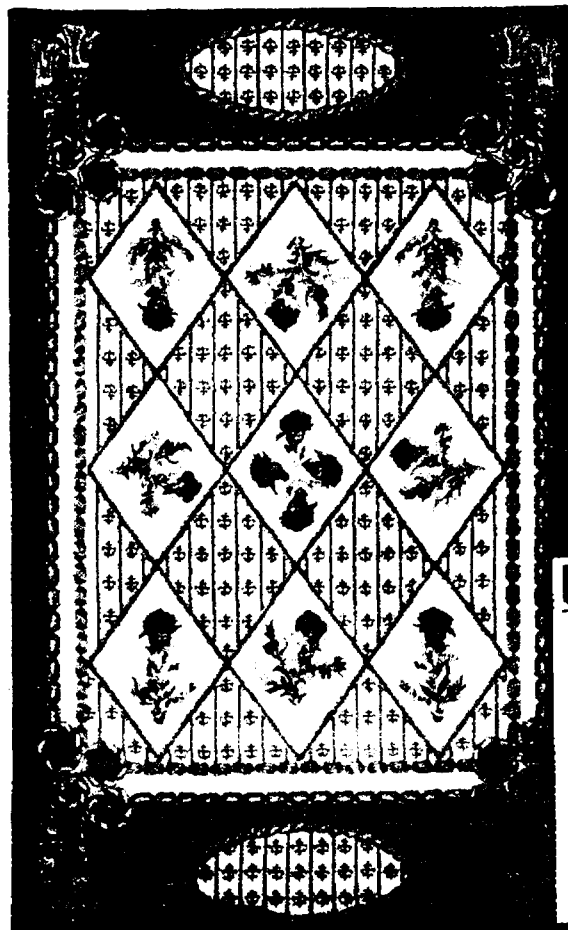
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## Forster- Peberdy

Barbara Ann Forster, daughter of Kathleen and Ronald Forster of the City of Grosse Pointe, married Robert Edward Peberdy, son of Nora and Edward Peberdy of Kenilworth, England, on Nov. 23, 2002 at St. Clare of Montefalco Church.

The Rev. Joseph A. Goebel of Cleveland, Ohio, officiated at the twilight ceremony. Goebel also officiated at the wedding of the bride's parents more than 30 years ago.

The bride wore an ivory satin gown that featured an off-the-shoulder neckline, a

beaded bodice and long sleeves. Her heirloom lace veil had been worn previously by three generations of grandmothers. She carried a bouquet of white flowers designed by Carl Swanson, the father of one of the bridesmaids.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Molly Forster of Dayton, Ohio.

Bridesmaids were Jennifer Swanson Kitchen, Deborah Solterisch Konkey and Katherine Zachary, all of Harper Woods.

Attendants wore floor-length black A-line skirts and sleeveless tops trimmed with rhinestones. They carried nosegays of red roses and stars-of-Bethlehem.

The best man was Martyn Lewis of London, England.

Groomsmen were the groom's brother, Richard Peberdy of Kenilworth, England; Ian Green of Manchester, England; and John Anderson of Coventry, England.

The mother of the bride wore a mocha silk skirt, a black velvet top and a beaded jacket. She pinned a white gardenia corsage to her evening bag.

The groom's mother wore a navy and red floor-length ensemble and a white gardenia corsage.

Readers were Stephanie Kitchen Listman, Sara Rowe Koch and Tara Cristalli of Providence, R.I.

The bride graduated from Boston College. She is a

market research manager with Ford Motor Co.

The groom graduated from Mid-Warwickshire College. He is an engineer with Durr Automation.

The couple traveled to Singapore and Malaysia. They live in the City of Grosse Pointe.



Mr. and Mrs. William  
Bryan Thompson

## Hathaway- Thompson

Julie Ann Hathaway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hathaway of Grosse Pointe Woods, married William Bryan Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Thompson of Grosse Pointe Park, on Aug. 29, 2003, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

Monsignor Dennis Harrity officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception in the Fries Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a latte silk organza gown that featured an off-the-shoulder neckline, beaded bodice, capped sleeves, an A-line skirt and a sweep train. Her cathedral-length veil was held in place by a headpiece that matched the bodice of her gown. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of peach and cream-colored roses with stephanotis and sweet william.

The maid of honor was Catherine Tripp of Ann Arbor.

Bridesmaids were Gina Garfield of Chicago; Amy Neff of Ann Arbor; Kerri Pomaroli of Redondo Beach, Calif.; the groom's sister, Sheila Thompson of Grosse Pointe Park; and Lisa Wyrock of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The flower girls were Lauren Ammar of Portage and Chloe Ritchhart of Ann Arbor; and Abigail and Claire Thompson of East Grand Rapids.

Attendants wore floor-length stone-colored satin dresses and carried hand-tied bouquets of peach roses and hypericum berries.

The best man was the groom's brother, Ian Thompson of East Grand Rapids.

Groomsmen were David Hall of Birmingham; the bride's brother, Paul Hathaway of Grosse Pointe Woods; Aaron Smith of

Royal Oak; Ilya Snyder of the City of Grosse Pointe; and Jon Tripp of Ann Arbor.

The bell ringer was Stephen Ammar of Portage. Greeters were Kendra Saunders and Matthew Saunders, both of Mississauga, Ontario.

The mother of the bride wore a floor-length champagne platinum-colored sheath and matching jacket.

The groom's mother wore a floor-length gold dress and matching jacket.

Scripture readers were Marilyn Tripp of Ann Arbor; Shirley Saunders of Mississauga, Ontario and Manon Stone Gattford of Glendale, Wis.

The organist was Kemmer Weinhaus; trumpeter was William Beger; cantor was Margaret Ahee; soloist was Margaret Rees. Members of the bride's children's choir sang, accompanied by John Dickson.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Michigan and a Master of Arts degree in curriculum and teaching from Michigan State University. She is an elementary music teacher in the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in biological basis of behavior from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Arts degree in secondary education from the University of Michigan. He is a science teacher at Pierce Middle School and a swim coach at Grosse Pointe South High School.

The couple honeymooned on Mackinac Island. They live in Grosse Pointe Woods.



Mr. and Mrs. Philip  
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## Pope- Leimgruber

Renee Pope, daughter of Lois Pope, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pope of Cincinnati, married Philip Leimgruber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leimgruber of Thornwood, N.Y., on Aug. 23, 2003, in Bedford, N.Y.

The Rev. Thomas Williams officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception in Katonah, N.Y.

The bride wore an antique white silk satin A-line strap-

less gown that featured a beaded bodice and covered buttons down the back.

The maid of honor was Kathy Schubert of Columbus, Ohio.

Bridesmaids were Krista Green of Toledo, Ohio, Diane Pinkus of Pittsburgh, Pa., Jodi Brasiola of Toledo and Beth Calabro of Sparta, Ohio.

Bridesmaids wore floor-length black dresses of their own choosing.

The best man was Stuart Luman.

Groomsmen were Rahal Thadani, Tarun Kapoor, Jon Glass and Josh Tamis, all of Pleasantville, N.Y.

The mother of the bride wore a pale yellow floral print chiffon dress and a gardenia corsage.

The groom's mother wore a pale peach dress of embroidered lace and a gardenia corsage.

Readers were Jeff and Pegah Easton.

The bride graduated from Ohio University with a bachelor's degree in fashion merchandising.

The groom graduated from the University of Albany with a bachelor's degree in biology. He earned a law degree from Pace University.

The couple traveled to Grenada, West Indies. They live in Scarsdale, N.Y.

## Schmidt- Drieselman

Erin Elizabeth Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Schmidt of Grosse Pointe Woods, married

Christopher Drieselman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Drieselman of Garden City, on Sept. 6, 2003, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

The Rev. Thomas Rice and Monsignor Kucyk officiated at the 5 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception in the Fries Ballroom of Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The bride wore a strapless A-line gown that featured a beaded bodice, buttons down the back and a cathedral-length train. She carried two dozen lavender, hot pink and white roses and stargaz-



Mr. and Mrs. Brian  
Christopher Drieselman

ers. The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Jennifer Sullivan Schmidt of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Bridesmaids were Dalton Ashley Peacock of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michelle Bridgita Frank of Franklin and Natalie Marie Lipski of Royal Oak.

Attendants wore strapless floor-length satin orchid-colored dresses. The maid of honor carried a bouquet of lavender and white roses and bridesmaids carried lavender roses.

The best man was the groom's brother, Eric Anthony Drieselman of Garden City.

Groomsmen were Jason Robert Jonca of Garden City, Brett Michael White of Westland and Joseph Anthony Perkins of Dearborn.

The mother of the bride wore a strapless black and white silk floor-length dress and a wrist corsage of two hot pink roses.

The groom's mother wore a black floor-length dress with beaded straps.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in business from Wayne State University. She is working on a master's degree and teaching certification at WSU.

The groom earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is a secondary school mathematics teacher.

The newlyweds traveled to St. Lucia. They live in Grosse Pointe Park.

## East Area Questers hosts benefit for Pewabic Pottery

The East Area Questers of the state of Michigan will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Grosse Pointe Club (also known as the Little Club), 6 Berkshire Place in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Antiques Appraisal Affair, will benefit the restoration and preservation of Pewabic Pottery, a historic pottery founded in 1903 by Mary Chase Perry Stratton and Horace Calkins.

The Appraisal Affair begins at 10:30 a.m. Bob DuMouchelle of DuMouchelle Art Galleries will provide verbal appraisals at \$10 per item.

Questers is a 60-year-old organization that fosters education of antiques and donates funds for the preservation and restoration of existing historic buildings and landmarks.

Chairman of the event is Nancy Pacitto of Detroit. Co-chairmen are Lynn Detwiler and Marlene Harle, both of Grosse Pointe Farms.

The cost for the day is \$35. Send a check payable to Fox Creek chapter No. 216 to Adele Huebner, Fox Creek Treasurer, 61 Meadow Lane, Grosse Pointe Farms, 48236. Seating is limited. For more information, call (313) 885-9003 or (313) 521-0058.

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## Shoot for a Cure will honor Pointer Gail Warden

Shoot for a Cure is the 11th annual event of its kind to benefit research and treatment of neurological diseases at Henry Ford Hospital. The fundraiser will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the Andiamo Italia Banquet Center in Warren.

The evening will include dinner, an auction, and a performance by entertainer Engelbert Humperdinck.

This year's event will honor Grosse Pointer **Gail L. Warden**, president emeritus and former chief executive officer and president, Henry Ford Health System.



Gail Warden

Warden served as president and CEO of Henry Ford Health System from April 1988 to June 2003. Throughout his career, Warden has received several significant awards. In 2002 and 2003, Modern Healthcare selected him as one of the 100 most powerful people in healthcare and in 2001 the magazine named him as one of the top 25 most influential individuals in the industry over

the past 25 years. In 2000 Warden received the American Hospital Association's Distinguished Service Award. In 1997, President Clinton appointed him to the Federal Advisory Commission on Consumer Protection and Quality in the Health Care Industry.

Warden is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and he chairs the board of the National Quality Forum, the Healthcare Research and Development Institute and the newly created National Center for Healthcare Leadership.

Shoot for a Cure raises money to support research and treatment for neurological diseases such as brain tumors, stroke, epilepsy, Parkinson's disease, spine disorders and trauma to the brain or spinal cord.

Honorary co-chairmen are **Pam and Dr. Mark Rosenblum** of West Bloomfield, **Nancy Schlichting** of Dearborn and **Gail and Dr. Mark Kelly** of Bloomfield Hills. Event co-chairmen are **Rosalie and Joe Vicari** of Clinton Township.

Tickets range from \$175 to \$1,000 a person. For more information or to make a reservation, call (313) 876-9259.

### Antiques for sale:

The Goodwill Antiques Show, one of the oldest continuously operating charitable antiques shows in the nation, will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7, 8 and 9, at the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester Hills.

The event is sponsored by the Junior Group of Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit, with proceeds going to Goodwill's job training and educational programs for people with disabilities and other special needs. Junior Group of Goodwill is a volunteer organization of more than 200 members.

More than 50 antiques exhibitors from around the country will offer American, English, French and Oriental pieces; folk art; fine art; silver; glass; and pottery.

The Goodwill booth includes collectibles and restored furniture and accessories, gently-used furs and jewelry and furniture restored and revitalized by volunteers.

Also featured: a silent auction, pantry booth and gift boutique filled with gift items handmade by volunteers and local artists. Shoppers can dine in the cafe.

The black-tie optional preview gala for the show is from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6. Preview tickets range from \$80 to \$200. Call (248) 375-1493.

A special after-hours Friday evening social event will include jazz, wine, cheese and music. Those who have already paid admission for the day will not be charged for the evening activities. Those who come for the evening only will be charged \$10.

On Saturday, between 9:30 and 11 a.m., **Ernest DuMouchelle, Kenneth Katz and Stephen J. Till** will provide verbal appraisals of your own antique treasures.

Show managers are **Lynn Dingus and Sue Hall**. Honorary chairmen for the show are **Matt and Karen Cullen** of Grosse Pointe and **Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bouchard**.

Admission to the show is \$10. Tickets are available at the door or from Junior Group members. Show hours are noon to 9 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

**Can do:** Local Boy Scouts and Big Boy restaurants will kick off the 26th annual "Operation Can Do" food drive to feed the area's hungry with the "Scouting for Food" event. Sponsors of this year's drive are Big Boy Restaurants International LLC, WXYZ-TV, the Hunger Action Coalition and the Detroit Area and Clinton Valley Council Boy Scouts.

Beginning on Saturday, Nov. 1, hundreds of Boy Scouts will go door-to-door, leaving empty Operation Can Do collection bags. Residents are urged to fill the bags with non-perishable food in canned, boxed or plastic containers.

Boy Scouts will return between 8 and 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, to collect filled bags left by residents. Between Saturday, Nov. 8 and Wednesday, Dec. 31, people can still contribute by dropping off non-perishable food donations at Big Boy restaurants.

According to the Hunger Action Coalition, some 700,000 people in Michigan each year receive emergency food. Since Operation Can Do's inception in 1978, more than 7 million pounds of food have been donated.

For more information, call Big Boy Restaurants at (586) 755-8125.

**Help children:** Local judges, physicians, elected officials and community leaders from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties — including a group of Grosse Pointe residents — are working with community volunteers to help stem the tide of child abuse in Michigan.

The ChildHelp USA Greater Detroit Auxiliary is working to build a ChildHelp USA residential treatment center in the tri-county area for severely abused and neglected children from 6 to 12 years old. ChildHelp USA is dedicated to the treatment and prevention of child abuse and neglect.

The ChildHelp USA Greater Detroit Auxiliary will hold its fourth annual fundraiser, Celebrate the Child, on Friday, Oct. 24, at The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham.

Tickets are \$200 a person or \$400 for benefactors. Call (248) 642-8719 for tickets and information.

Special guests **Sara O'Meara and Yvonne Fedderson**, founders of ChildHelp USA, will be at the event.

A live auction featuring a signed painting by actress/artist **Jane Seymour** of one of her young twin sons, and a special appearance by **Mitch Ryder** are slated.

Committee members include **Kathy Schweitzer** and **Norma Haigh** of Grosse Pointe Woods; **Kathay McGovern** and **Sydney King** of Grosse Pointe Park; **Patty McCarthy** of the City of

Grosse Pointe; and **Dr. Pam Smith** of Grosse Pointe Farms. Schweitzer also serves as president of the ChildHelp USA Detroit Auxiliary.

"It is our goal to make sure that Michigan's children are safe from child abuse," Schweitzer said. "One way we will do this is to build a ChildHelp children's village in the tri-county area where severely abused children ages 6 to 12 can heal and learn. The ChildHelp USA motto for its homes and facilities is "All who enter here will find love."

ChildHelp USA was founded in 1959 by Sara O'Meara and Yvonne Fedderson as a result of a goodwill tour with U.S. troops in Asia. The then-young Hollywood actresses' "chance" encounters — one with 11 homeless orphans abroad, and one with Nancy Reagan — led to a lifelong commitment to helping children in need. ChildHelp USA has directly provided help and hope to millions of children and adults whose lives have been traumatized by child abuse. For information on ChildHelp USA visit [www.childhelpusa.org](http://www.childhelpusa.org).

— Margie Reins Smith

## Lions Club donates funds for tandem bicycle

The Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Club has provided financial assistance for the 2x2 Project, a group of visually impaired people who ride tandem bikes.

Nino Pacini is totally blind. He began riding a tandem bike three years ago, just for the fun of it. Most of his biking was done with the Wolverine Sports Club, and he estimates he rides more than 4,000 miles a year.

"I have managed to drag

five of my visually impaired friends into the sport," Pacini said. "I have also recruited and trained about 17 sighted volunteers to captain the front of a tandem."

Pacini's efforts were formalized by forming the 2x2 Project under the umbrella of the Arc Cycling Program. He started the project with one unpaid staff member (himself), no equipment and a volunteer base of about 20 people.

Pacini is a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Club. The Lions Club responded to his appeal for volunteer or financial support by donating \$2,500 for a tandem bike.

"The Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Club believes, as I do," Pacini said, "that you can't put a dollar value on the benefits derived from the sense of freedom that this activity provides to each participant."

"This is such a worthwhile project," said Red Arnold, president of the Grosse

Pointe Woods Lions Club, "and Nino is such a talented person. We'd like to help provide more bikes."

The group rides every week. To those who want to learn how to captain a tandem, Pacini says: "We promise you may ride in the front where the handlebars turn, and the brakes work."

Anyone interested in making a donation to the 2x2 Project or learning how to captain a tandem should call (313) 885-7330 or send an e-mail to [npacini@att.net](mailto:npacini@att.net).



Red Arnold, president of the Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Club, at the left, presents a check to Nino Pacini, at the right, to purchase a new tandem bike for the Arc Cycling Program. The bike will be used by people who are visually impaired.

## Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra benefit is Oct. 27

The third annual pasta dinner fundraiser for the Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, at the Jefferson Yacht Club, 24504 Jefferson in St. Clair Shores.

The evening will include a 50/50 raffle, door prizes and entertainment.

Tickets are \$8 for adults; \$4 for children 12 and under. For tickets or more information, call (586) 777-8944.

## Concert slated Saturday, Oct. 25

The first concert of the autumn season by the Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra will begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at South Lake High School.

Milicevic will present Dvorak's Symphony No. 8.

Tickets will be available at the door.

A reception will be held after the concert.

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## Music at Memorial Church

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church will present "Songs of the Cloisters" at 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 26, at the church, 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms. Capella Artemisia will perform in the neo-Gothic sanctuary of the church.

Based in Bologna, Italy, Capella Artemisia is an ensemble of female voices and instrumentalists dedicated to performing the music from Italian convents in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Sunday's 7 p.m. concert will include a repertoire consisting of both forgotten works composed by nuns themselves and music written by celebrated male composers and intended for performance in the convents. The music will be presented for the first time as it would originally have been heard — without male voices.

Tickets will be available at the door. General admission tickets are \$10; seniors and students, \$5. For more information, call (313) 882-5330.

## Men's Breakfast schedule

The Ecumenical Men's Breakfast meets at 7:30 a.m. Friday mornings at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for breakfast and a speaker. Men of all faiths are invited.

Upcoming speakers are:

**Oct. 24:** The Rev. Richard W. Ingalls Jr. of Mariner's Church in Detroit

**Oct. 31:** The Rev. Tom Rice of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church

**Nov. 7:** The Rev. Peter Smith of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church

**Nov. 14:** Nicolaos Kotsis of the Greek Orthodoxy of Detroit

**Nov. 21:** The Rev. John Fults of Faith Lutheran Church.



## Church benefit

Christ the King Lutheran Church will hold a dinner and auction, "An Evening at the Moulin Rouge," on Saturday, Nov. 15, at Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper in St. Clair Shores.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit the building of new preschool classrooms and offices and handicap facilities in the church.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres begin at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30 p.m. and the live auction begins at 9 p.m. Committee members JoAnn Miller of Grosse Pointe Woods and Jenna Young of Grosse Pointe Park are shown with a grand piano similar to the one that will be auctioned at the event.

Other auction items include a signed Steve Yzerman jersey, the use of two vacation condos, concert tickets and more.

Admission is \$50 or \$450 for a table of 10. For more information, call (313) 882-9521.

## LTA will present lecture on stem cell research

Dr. Daniel Michael, director of neurotrauma at the Detroit Medical Center, will present a talk on stem cell research for the Lay Theological Academy at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Michael is also an adjunct professor in the Department of Anatomy/Cell Biology at Wayne State University.

The cost of the presentation is \$5. Christ Church is located at 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. in Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call (313) 885-4841.

The Lay Theological Academy provides ecumeni-

cal education opportunities for adults. Members include Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, Grosse Pointe United Church, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, St. Ambrose Catholic Church, St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, St. James Lutheran Church, St. Paul Catholic Church, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Children's Home of Detroit.

## Babies

### Lloyd David Dennis

Monica and Matthew Dennis of Harper Woods are the parents of a son, Lloyd David Dennis, born Aug. 30, 2003. Maternal grandmother is Judith Paul of Grosse Pointe Park. Paternal grandparents are Diane and David Dennis of St. Clair Shores. Great-grandmother is Lillian Crawford of St. Clair Shores.

### Hayden Faremouth Wallis

Ramsey and Brittany Wallis of Denver, Colo., formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, are the parents of a daughter, Hayden Faremouth Wallis, born July 31, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Dr. Les and Sue Faremouth of Bellaire, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park. Paternal grandparents are Tom Wallis and Judith Schwartz of Denver.

### Jack Lennon Fennimore and Darby Lennon Fennimore

Bill and Jennifer Fennimore of Bethlehem, Pa., formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms, are the parents of twins, a son, Jack Lennon Fennimore, and a daughter, Darby Lennon Fennimore, born Sept. 6, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Thomas and Elizabeth Lennon of Penn Valley, Pa., formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms. Paternal grandparents are William and Margaret

Fennimore Jr., of Lower Nazareth, Pa. Great-grandmother is Mrs. Anne Lennon of Staten Island, N.Y.

### Chloe Annabella Cucina

Carlo and Phaedra Cucina of Austin, Texas, are the parents of a daughter, Chloe Annabella Cucina, born Aug. 28, 2003. Grandparents are Jim and Kathy Robson of Grosse Pointe Park and Mario and Maria Cucina of Perugia, Italy.

### Caroline Dorothy Stafford

Catherine Amberg Stafford and Scott Anthony Stafford of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a daughter, Caroline Dorothy Stafford, born April 21, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Richard Maximilian Amberg of Grosse Pointe Park and the late Dorothy Helen Amberg. Paternal grandparents are Florence and Douglas Stafford of Grosse Pointe Park.

### Eliese Talbot Jones

Roe Jones III and Jennifer Huntington Jones of Carmel, Ind., are the parents of a daughter, Eliese Talbot Jones, born Sept. 19, 2003.

Maternal grandparents are Mary Jo and Bill Huntington of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Paternal grandparents are Sharon Jones of Indianapolis, Ind., and the late Roe Jones Jr. Great-

grandmothers are Margaret Vander Plas of Waterford and Mary Clark of Indianapolis.

### Benjamin Stewart Fraser Hakim

Lawrence J. and Pamela J. Hakim of Oxford, Miss., are the parents of a son, Benjamin Stewart Fraser Hakim, born Sept. 30, 2003. Grandparents are J. Eugene and Lillian Taylor of Ripley, Miss., Ann Hakim of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late John H. Hakim.

### Erin Breheny Canning

Susan and Russell Canning of Westerville, Ohio, are the parents of a daughter, Erin Breheny Canning, born Sept. 15, 2003. Maternal grandparents are John and Maryann Judge of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are John Canning of Grand Blanc and the late Shirley Canning.

### Connor Ryan VanDerMaas

Hans and Barbara VanDerMaas of St. Clair Shores are the parents of a son, Connor Ryan VanDerMaas, born Sept. 27, 2003. Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Kathryn Burgio of Macomb Township. Paternal grandparents are Thomas and Mary VanDerMaas of the City of Grosse Pointe. Great-grandparents are Neil and Mary VanDerMaas of Lexington.

## Bishop Blair to lead Toledo diocese

Pope John Paul II has named Detroit Auxiliary Bishop Leonard P. Blair as the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Toledo, Ohio.

Blair, 54, was born in Detroit and ordained to the priesthood in 1976.

"I'm very happy and honored to be named the Bishop

of Toledo," Blair said, "and I look forward to making a new home among the people of northwest Ohio."

"At the same time I feel deep gratitude for all the church in Detroit has done for me from the time I was born."

"I thank my parents, family and friends, Cardinal

Maida and the many (people) with whom I have worked over the years," he said. "I am especially grateful to the parishioners at St. Paul's Parish in Grosse Pointe Farms, where I have served as pastor for six years."

"I will always remember them with affection and joy."

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## Atrial fibrillation — what is it?

By Dr. C. Douglas Lees  
Special Writer

If you've ever watched a medical drama on TV, you're probably familiar with scenes in which a grimly determined physician grabs a pair of paddles, bares the chest of a limp patient, and uses the charged instrument (after yelling "Clear!") to shock the patient's heart back into beating regularly.

The equipment used is known as a defibrillator, and it literally can save the life of a person in cardiac crisis by restoring the patient's regular heartbeat.

But while it may seem as if this happens only on prime time TV, the reality is that an erratic, rapid heartbeat — or atrial fibrillation — is a pretty common problem, affecting more than 2 million people over the age of 60 in the United States each year.

Normally the heart beats somewhere between 60 and 80 times per

minute due to electrical impulses generated in the atria (upper chambers of the heart). But sometimes and for reasons not completely understood, an unharnessed storm of electrical energy is unleashed, causing the upper chambers of the heart to quiver, or fibrillate, at 300 to 600 times a minute.

In some cases, such fibrillation can lead to stroke or a heart attack. In fact, the American Heart Association estimates that atrial fibrillation (AF) is responsible for more than 70,000 strokes each year.

What makes AF so dangerous is that when the heart quivers, blood isn't pumped completely out of the atria. Instead, it pools in the heart's upper chambers, where it can clot. If the blood clot is pumped out of the heart and reaches the brain, a stroke occurs.

There are three types of AF. Paroxysmal AF consists of brief episodes of

fibrillation that go away without medical intervention. Persistent AF requires medical intervention such as prescription drugs to regulate normal heartbeat, while permanent AF responds to intervention only for brief periods of time.

AF patients commonly have other coexisting conditions, such as rheumatic heart disease, coronary heart disease and mitral valve prolapse. There's also some evidence that binge drinking can make AF worse.

At one time, it was believed that patients with the mildest forms of AF had no cause for concern. But recent studies have shown that a person with AF who also has high blood pressure, heart valve problems or heart muscle damage (such as damage due to a heart attack), is at greater risk of heart failure or stroke.

The symptoms of AF are quite similar to those of heart attack. AF patients may experience palpitations (fluttering heartbeat), irregular pulse, shortness of breath, weakness or fatigue, chest pain and dizziness. The symptoms may get progressively worse if left untreated.

A physician often detects

AF during a routine physical exam. He or she may discover the problem simply by listening to the heart with a stethoscope. An EKG can confirm a diagnosis of AF, although if the problem is intermittent, it may be necessary for the patient to wear a Holter monitor, which is a portable EKG machine that records the heartbeat over time (often 24 hours).

A chest X-ray and echocardiogram (a test that shows the walls of the beating heart) also may be necessary to confirm the diagnosis.

There are several effective treatments for AF. In its early stages, medication like beta-blockers, calcium channel blockers and digitalis (which either slow heart rate or slow the conduction of the electrical impulse) may be prescribed.

Other medications that chemically restore normal rhythm are also useful, as are anticoagulants like coumadin, which thin the blood to reduce the risk of clot formation.

Surgical intervention also may be necessary. Radiofrequency ablation can be used successfully to prevent abnormal electrical impulses from beginning in the atria. With

radiofrequency ablation, the surgeon ablates, or erases, the part of the heart that is causing the arrhythmia. This blocks the rogue electrical signals that cause rapid or irregular heartbeat.

At St. John Hospital and Medical Center, we're using a new type of radiofrequency ablation device called the AtriCure system, which allows the surgeon to create a lesion on the area of the heart that causes the arrhythmia. This lesion blocks electrical conduction, thus greatly reducing or eliminating AF. A major advantage of this system is that it allows the surgeon to target the problem area more precisely, which minimizes the possibility of damage to surrounding healthy tissue.

With so many options for controlling AF, there's no reason why anyone has to endure its distressing and/or life-threatening complications. Consult with your primary care physician if you're experiencing symptoms of AF to determine which treatment option might be appropriate for you.

Dr. C. Douglas Lees is a cardiac surgeon on staff at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

## Frostbite is serious concern

By Dr. Keith Wilkinson  
Special Writer

Frostbite, very simply, is skin that has been frozen. Even though frostbite is caused by exposure to cold, it is microscopically very similar to a burn, and often is treated the same way.

Frostbite most commonly occurs on exposed areas of the face, such as the nose, ears, and cheeks, as well as fingers and toes. People who participate in outdoor winter activities, those with poor circulation, the homeless and those suffering from alcohol or drug intoxication are particularly susceptible.

The risk of frostbite increases as the temperature drops, especially if it is windy or the skin is wet. Bitterly cold weather combined with a strong wind on wet skin is the worst combination of all.

The best way to treat frostbite is to prevent it in the first place. Common sense is the key. When the temperature or the wind-chill factor drops, avoid going outside if at all possible. If you must go outside, limit your exposure by taking frequent warm-up breaks. Wear warm clothes and insulated boots and make sure that exposed skin is protected.

This is particularly important for small children, who may not be able to protect themselves. Ears should be covered with a hat, ear muffs or a headband. The nose, cheeks and chin should be protected with a scarf or face mask. Warm gloves or mittens are a must. If your gloves, boots or other clothing get wet, it is important to get inside and dry out right away.

Warning signs of impending frostbite include a burning, stinging sensation on susceptible areas, such as cheeks and ears, especially if followed by numbness. The affected part may appear patchy white and pale. You should try to get indoors immediately, and remove wet clothing, if possible. Do not rub snow on the area.

Once inside, rapidly warm the area with lukewarm water, either by soaking or with a lukewarm washcloth. Do not use hot water, as numb skin doesn't feel pain.

It is very easy to accidentally burn the frozen part, worsening the injury. Seek medical attention in all cases, unless the area is very small and looks and feels normal after it has been warmed.

Finally, if you do suffer an episode of frostbite, be doubly careful in the future. Once frostbit, an area is more susceptible to cold injury in the future.

Dr. Keith Wilkinson is a Board Certified Emergency Physician and a member of the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians. He lives in Grosse Pointe.

## Senior Men's Club to meet

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Lunch will be at 11 a.m., followed by a short business meeting. Dr. Ann Duncan, D.V.M., from the Detroit Zoo will speak on the daily care of animals, including medicines and surgery.

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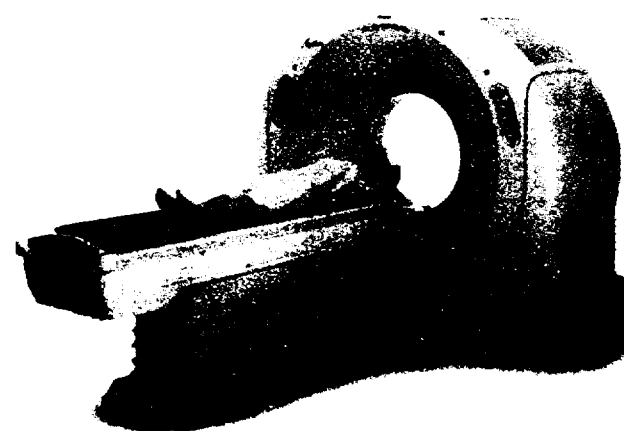
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From left, are recipients Colleen Ferrara of St. Clair Shores, Wayne State University; Holly James of Clinton Township, Macomb Community College; Kerri Klieman of Sterling Heights, Oakland University; Peggy Davis, president of Fontbonne Auxiliary; recipients Jacqueline Sikora of Sterling Heights, Oakland University; and Dawn Kroll of Roseville, Macomb Community College.

The scholarships are offered by the SJH&MC nursing division through an endowment established by the Fontbonne Auxiliary. The scholarships provide nursing students with financial assistance to complete their last academic year. Selection is based on recommendations from instructors and supervisors, academic achievement and demonstration of St. John Health values in nursing practice.

The SJH&MC Nurse Extern Program is a paid, 12-week program that provides nursing students with the opportunity to further develop knowledge and skill. Student nurses work directly with RN mentors on clinical units providing direct patient care.

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## Bon Secours Assistance League plans Christmas Mart Nov. 1-2

The Bon Secours Assistance League's 22nd annual Christmas Mart will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 1 and 2, in the hospital's Connelly Auditorium, 468 Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Shoppers can choose from a collection of Christmas decorations, gifts for the home, infant and toddler

clothing, toys, books, jewelry, sweaters, baked goods and more.

Proceeds from the Christmas Mart and raffle ticket sales benefit pro-

grams and services for patients of Bon Secours Hospital.

Raffle tickets are currently available at the Bon Secours Gift Shop and will also be sold at the Christmas Mart. The cost is \$5 per ticket. The drawing will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2.

Prizes include:

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Bon Secours Assistance League Christmas Mart co-chairmen, from left, Cathy Ruifrok, Jil Bommari and Sande Seale, invite shoppers to get ready for the holiday season at the annual Christmas Mart, Nov. 1 and 2, at Bon Secours Hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe.

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## Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



Melanoma and sun tanning booths. For many years, dermatologists have advised patients that there is no safe ultraviolet based tan — whether delivered by the sun or by a light bulb in a tanning booth. A new study makes this advice ever more important.

A Scandinavian study shows that women who frequent tanning parlors are 55 percent more likely to develop malignant melanoma, a potentially fatal form of skin cancer, and for younger women, especially those 20 and younger, tanning parlors more than double your chance for this disease.

Sadly, each year patients come to our offices with moles that turn out to be melanoma. And this is most upsetting because, for most individuals, proper

behavior can prevent the onset of this terrible disease.

How do we protect ourselves from skin cancer? Number one, protect ourselves from the sun: Wear sunscreens and avoid the sun when it is at its peak intensity. And if you have been a sun worshiper, bring new or suspicious moles to the attention of your physician or dermatologist. Experience shows that when a patient is concerned about a new or changing mole, they are most often correct.

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Bradley Eickhorst and Michele Balke

## Balke-Eickhorst

William and Denise Balke of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michele Balke, to Bradley Eickhorst, son of Gary and Christine Azbell of

Clarkston. A March wedding is planned.

Balke graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration. She is administrative assistant and pool manager for the city of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Eickhorst graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in printing paper science and engineering. He is an account executive with Moore Wallace.

## Booher-Rothstein

Julie and Steve Booher of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Booher, to Keith Rothstein, son of Marilyn and Earl Rothstein of Coral Springs, Fla.

A June wedding is planned.

Booher graduated from the University of Michigan



Sarah Booher and Keith Rothstein

and is currently working on a master's degree in counseling at Wayne State University.

She is a math teacher at Grosse Pointe North High School.

Rothstein graduated from the University of Michigan and is currently working on a master's degree in business at Wayne State University.



Steve Champine and Megan Broom

## Broom-Champine

Doug and Teresa Broom of Flushing have announced the engagement of their daughter, Megan Broom, to Steve Champine, son of Jim and Val Champine of Grosse Pointe Woods. An August wedding is planned.

Broom earned a bachelor's degree from Albion College. She is a claims representative for Allmerica Financial in Southfield.

Champine earned a bachelor's degree from Albion College. He is working on an MBA at Walsh College. He is assistant manager for Comerica Bank in Macomb Township.

## Tiller-Fenton

Edward and Cynthia Tiller of Isanti, Minn., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Johanna Lynn Tiller, to Christian Stewart "CJ" Fenton, son of Christian and Grace Fenton of Grosse Pointe Woods. A February wedding is planned.

Tiller graduated from Bethel College with a degree in philosophy. She is doing post-graduate work in Bible translation and linguistics.

Fenton earned an associate's degree from Macomb

Community College, attended William Tyndale College and is completing a business degree at Wingate University.

Tiller and Fenton are missionaries serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Fenton is serving at the Wycliffe JAARS Center in Waxhaw, N.C., as manager of the materials transport department.



Johanna Lynn Tiller and Christian Stewart "CJ" Fenton

## Tigers

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fangs jutting from pink gums exposed by black lips drawn back in attack mode.

Two cubs in succession completed the medical rite of passage with ears back, tails twitching and low grumblyings of annoyance.

The third displayed an infant's temper tantrum bolstered by a briar patch of flailing paws tipped with nature's daggers and a snapping jaw spiked with sharp teeth built to take down whatever looks good for dinner.

The cub was weighed, placed on the table and held fast.

In an instant it gave a throaty roar and tried to lunge at Duncan. A momentary blur of patternless orange, black, yellow and white fur marked the raw and unpredictable force that fashionably untamed animals.

Handlers flinched backward from the table, reflexes rivaling their patient, but not letting go. The test of strength defeated, Duncan continued her exam.

### Endangered

Amur tigers are rare and endangered. Detroit Zoo officials are proud to have bred the triplets as part of a species survival plan.

"The captive population of Amur tigers is managed very carefully," said Scott Carter, zoo director of conservation and animal welfare. "We were one of only 10 institutions recommended to breed this season. These three little guys are very important to that captive population."

This is the zoo's second successful set of births in recent years. Three other cubs were born in 2000.

It's unlikely the latest batch will be reintroduced into their natural habitat. If they were, they'd be good



candidates.

"Because these guys are being reared by their mother to be little tigers, they're going to be socially prepared to deal with life as a tiger," Carter said.

The cubs are probably safer in a zoo than in nature.

"The present state of the wild is very unstable," Carter said. "Tigers are still being squeezed out of habitat as human populations encroach. There is a great deal of trade in tiger parts: skin, bone and products."

Tigers and people don't mix.

"They are instinctively carnivorous," Duncan said.

In the summary to a July 2003 study of interactions between humans and Siberian tigers, Russian researchers wrote, "Wherever there are people and large carnivores, there arise situations that represent a conflict between the two."

"Recent events with Siegfried and Roy underscore the incredible responsibility involved with keeping exotic animals in captivity," said Ron Kagan, zoo director.

"Domestication is a process that takes hundreds of thousands of generations," Carter said.

"Domestication involves the selection of desirable traits, generally being friendly to humans."

"Nevertheless, some people can't seem to do without pretending they can buddy up to a tiger. Some of those people, like Roy, pay the price by being mauled."

"It always ends in disaster, both for animals and people," Kagan said. "What happened with Siegfried and Roy was predictable. It's just a matter of time. An exotic animal needs an appropriate physical and social environment. Running around in a small cage is not an appropriate physical or social environment."

Kagan said there are about 400 tigers in registered American zoos, with several hundred more in Europe.

Only 500 Amur tigers survive in their natural habitat, namely eastern Russia and northeast China, according to the Tigris Foundation, dedicated to the survival of tigers and leopards in the wild.

Duncan gave Detroit's new cubs a clean bill of health.

"I didn't notice any problems at all," she said with a family doctor. "They are

perfect."

Her exam revealed one male, 13 pounds, and two females, 13.6 and 11.3 pounds. The smaller female was the eldest.

Immediately upon completing their check-up, the cubs were returned to their



Photos by Brad Lindberg

The Detroit Zoo's new Amur tigers passed their first medical check-up.

doting mother.

"Mother's going to sniff them, wash their faces and check them over like mothers do," said Cindy Colling, senior keeper in the mammal section. "She's very maternal."

The male cub and one sis-

ter will be named by a contest sponsored by the zoo and Fox 2 television.

Submissions should be mailed to Name that Tiger, P.O. Box 2, Southfield, MI 48037-0000. Submissions are due Nov. 14.

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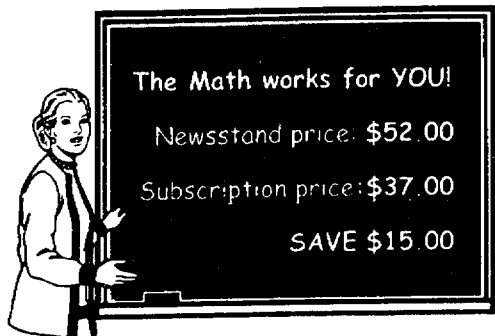
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## Author, critic to speak

Sven Birkerts, literary critic and author, will speak at the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library's first fall lecture on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 7:30 p.m. Birkerts will discuss Flaubert and the ideal of the perfect prose, using "Madame Bovary" as a case in point.

He will focus on Flaubert's obsession with language and structure and how he takes a story of a common adultery and makes it into a tragic masterpiece.

Birkerts is the author of six books, including "My Sky Blue Trades: Growing up Counter in a Contrary Time."

He writes reviews for the New York Times Book Review and The Washington Post. He taught writing at Harvard University and is currently a lecturer at Mount Holyoke College and a member of the faculty of the Bennington Writing Seminars.

All lectures in the series are free to members of Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library. The fee for non-members is \$10 per lecture. Advance registration is suggested, because of limited seating. Call (313) 343-2074, ext. 204.



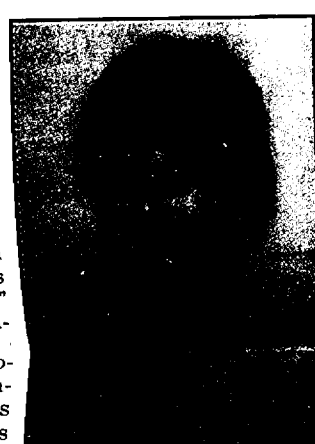
## GP Symphony concert will honor benefactor Frohlich, feature pianist Dixon

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra's opening concert for the 2003-04 season will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, at Grosse Pointe North High School's Performing Arts Center.

The concert will be dedicated to the memory of Edward P. Frohlich, who died Nov. 30, 2002. Frohlich was president of the orchestra for several years and was a financial and personal supporter of the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Interlochen Center for the Arts. He was also an accomplished pianist.

Piano soloist Elizabeth Lesesne Dixon of Ann Arbor, formerly of Grosse Pointe, will perform Beethoven's "Emperor" piano concerto.

The program conductor is Charles Greenwell. Other works on the program include



Elizabeth Lesesne

Grieg's "Peer Gynt Suite" and Tchaikovsky's "March Slave."

Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$12 for seniors; students 18 and under enter free. Season tickets are available.

A preconcert lecture with Jack DuBois begins at 2 p.m.

The next concert in the 51st season of the G.P. Symphony will be on Jan. 18.

## Looking for a good bodice-ripper?

By Helen Gregory  
Special Writer

As the weather chills out, it might be time to heat things up. So, I chose an epic adventure/romance that friends have recommended for years. Over time, it has become a cult favorite, complete with a guide released after the final volume. The library has worn out many copies and is constantly replacing them.

Diana Gabaldon's "Outlander" opened the door to some of the best swashbuckling since Dumas introduced us to the musketeers.

At 850 pages, and me with the attention span of a gerbil, I wondered how many pages I would read before dropping it. But I put it down for a time and invariably picked it back up, knowing exactly where I had left off. That's a pretty good book.

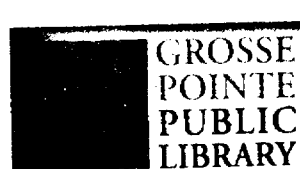
It begins in 1945, as former combat nurse Claire Randall is reunited with her husband. On a second honeymoon in Scotland, her husband explores his family's genealogy while she searches for herbs near a Druid circle of stones, reminiscent of Stonehenge.

When she touches a split boulder, she is catapulted through time into the 18th century Scottish highlands. She lands in the middle of a bloody battle.

After that, the adventure never stops. She's captured first by the English and then taken captive by the Scots.

In her strange 20th century garb she's suspected first of spying and then of witchcraft. She's taken back to Castle Leoch where she lives among the clan MacKenzie, acting as a healer.

Intent on escape, she learns everything she can



## The Book Return

about the power structure of the clan. The reader learns about life in the castle, about 18th century medical practices and about political unrest. Gabaldon accomplishes this without stopping the action as do some authors who get carried away with their research.

Early on, Claire saves the life of Jamie, a young Scot among the MacKenzies. Later, in a political move by the laird, she's ordered to marry him.

As the two of them live and face danger side by side, she is torn between fidelity to her 20th century husband and a growing love for her 18th century warrior.

Loaded with humanity, humor, intrigue, bloody battles, hideous atrocities, extreme escapes, undying love and, yes, hot sex, the action never stops and the reader often doesn't want it to.

This can work out for the reader, for while the first book comes to a solid conclusion, the tapestry that makes up the story has more threads to follow.

There are three sequels, "Dragonfly in Amber," "Voyager" and "Drums of Autumn." For those who really get into this (like "The Lord of the Rings" fans) there is a guidebook, "The Outlander Companion."

This could be a find for fans of the old television time-travel series, "Highlander," or for people who loved "Braveheart."

But for the hot sex, which would have gone over my head, this is precisely the book I would have loved as a teenager.

Maybe today's teens are different.

The movie "Thirteen" was written by a 15-year-old girl. Parents who saw it came away shocked and disturbed.

These are possibly their children (not my children! we all say) doing drugs and having sex.

An MTV reality show stars two rich girls shopping for expensive labels and discussing whether they plan to lose their virginity at the prom.

Well, at least they weren't doing it at 13.

Before all this, I would have said the sex scenes in "Outlander" were too adult for young teens. But maybe, if you know your daughter is already active, the book might show her that perhaps love should be the partner of passion, making it at least a little more important than deciding which dress to wear. Read it before you hand it over to her. It's a very personal thing and I'm an impartial witness.

Don't forget the Friends of the Library's Classic Series is reopening on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at Grosse Pointe South High School. Respected author and critic Sven Birkerts will speak on "The Laboratory of the Sentence," focusing on Flaubert's "Madame Bovary."

The program is free to Friends' members; \$10 at the door for nonmembers. For information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 204.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at [hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us](mailto:hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us).

## Trivia test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. Literature: Who wrote the novel "The Godfather"?
2. Geography: Kyushu is one of the major islands of which nation?
3. Architecture: Of these three famous structures, which is the tallest — the Eiffel Tower, the Great Pyramid or Notre Dame cathedral?
4. Government: According to the first Census of 1790, what was the approximate population of the newly formed United States?
5. Animal kingdom: At what age does a filly become a mare?
6. Movies: When was the movie "Tora! Tora! Tora!" released?
7. Politics: In what state was the Republican Party founded in 1828?
8. Music: Which musical instrument is Ringo Starr best known for playing?
9. Bible: Whom did Delilah betray?
10. History: Anne Hathaway was the wife of which famous Englishman?

### Answers

1. Mario Puzo
2. Japan
3. The Eiffel Tower at 984 feet high (Notre Dame is 512, and the Great Pyramid is 481)
4. 3.9 million
5. Five years
6. 1970
7. Wisconsin
8. Drums
9. Samson
10. William Shakespeare

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**8:30 am The S.O.C. Show**

Guest: Kathy Graham - Elder Law Center

Host Fran Schonenberg and her guests discuss topics and events of particular interest to senior citizens. Repeated: 11:30 pm

**9:00 am Vitality Plus**

A half-hour aerobics exercise class. Repeated: Midnight

**9:30 am Points of Horticulture**

Horticulturist Co-hosts Mil Anthony & Jim Farquhar share tips, give advice and interview local authorities on gardening. Repeated: 9:30 PM, 12:30 AM

**10:00 am Who's In the Kitchen?**

Guest: Perry Manning  
Cook while laughing with host Chuck Kaess. Watch as delectable dishes are made from scratch by noted chefs, local celebrities and guess who? Repeated: 6:30 PM, 1 AM

**10:30 am Things to do at the War Memorial**

Guests: Gregory Knas - Dance, Dance, Dance & Barbara Bentley, Elizabeth & Mike Trudel - "Annie"

LouAnne Wattick 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: James Hart & Judson Carroll - Poet & Musician  
Robert Taylor presents a show to help enhance Body, Mind and Spirit. Repeated: 11 PM, 2:30 AM

**12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit**

Guest: Bill Gates - "Software Magic: A New Generation of Breakthroughs in IT"  
Features nationally known guest speakers discussing current topics in the business community. Repeated: 5 AM

**1:00 pm Watercolor Workshop**

Topic: Venice & Connecticut  
Renowned local artist, Carol LaChiusa, demonstrates watercolor techniques simple enough for beginners.

yet challenging to the experienced artist. Repeated: 5:30 PM, 4 AM

**1:30 pm Inside Art**

Guest: Renata Palubinskas - Artist Studio  
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: John Conway - Personal Insurance Issues  
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: Peggy Davis, Dr Julius Gardin & Lorna Zaleski - St. John Hospital 50<sup>th</sup> White Christmas Ball  
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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**4:00 pm Vitality Plus**

A half-hour of step or kick boxing exercise. Repeated: 9 PM, 7 AM

**4:30 pm Young View Points**

Upbeat youth show featuring middle school students reporting on a variety of educational topics. Repeated: 8:30 PM, 7:30 AM

**5:00 pm Positively Positive**

An uplifting half-hour of positive attitudes and ideas, hosted by Jeanie McNeil and Liz Aiken. Repeated: 8 PM, 8 AM

\* Schedule subject to change without notice. For further information call, 313.881.7511.

## Autumn is not the end of the growing season

What do you see now when you look at your garden? Is the garden half full or half empty? As we look around our community, the last of the geraniums, impatiens and summer perennials are fading.

For us die-hard gardeners, however, it's the next season of the magic that is our garden.

Many gardeners are artists, using what they find out of doors to create beauty indoors. I visited the mother of an old friend last week and she was outside cutting one more rose, one more phlox, stems of alyssum and a sprig from the butterfly bush. She gave me a handful of raspberries.

All this from a small, urban landscape. She brought her palette indoors and created a small bouquet for the kitchen table.

"I always enjoy looking at the flowers from my yard," she said.

### Include nature to help decorate indoors

As autumn is upon us, my first inclination is to buy flowers for the dining room table. It's off to the local florist or market to buy a flowering plant or cut flowers. You'd think there would be no room with all the outside plants brought inside. But Mother Nature continues to wow us and helps make the decorating more fun than simply plopping a plant on the table.

Gourds are an interesting plant that throughout history have found their way into decorating and useful pleasure. Dating back to 2200 B.C., gourds were

found in ancient ruins with pictographs carved, painted and burned into them.

Gourds have been used to make as many musical instruments as you can imagine. With names such as Speckled Swan, Dipper, and Turk's Turban, it's no wonder these plants have stimulated our creativity.

Natural gourds make attractive birdhouses. In fact, there's a variety called Bird House, which purple martins consider a wonderful place to live. They "breathe," and because they sway in the wind they are less likely to be taken over by house sparrows and starlings.

This year, buy a gourd and create a birdhouse. Next year plant and harvest your own gourds. Grow them in full sun and up a trellis to lessen the chance for disease. Turn a gourd into an elegant, fanciful piece of art, a container, a musical instrument or a birdhouse.

Place a ripe, unblemished gourd in a dry place for 30 to 60 days. Shake the gourd and when you hear seeds rattling, the gourd is dry. One birdhouse creator suggests cleaning a gourd with a wet towel and let it stay in the wet towel for two days.

This softens the outer skin which will now come off more easily. Use a dull knife to scrape off the outer skin. Again, place the gourd in a dry, airy place to dry. Be sure it is completely dry before starting your birdhouse.

Plug the words "gourds as birdhouses" into Google and you'll find numerous ways

### Down to Earth

By Kathleen Peabody



Photo by Kathleen Peabody

**Gourds make excellent fall decorations. They can also be used as birdhouses**

to create your own masterpiece.

#### Anyone for pumpkin?

Another very popular natural accent to autumn decorating is the pumpkin. Part of our own country's history, evidenced in 1950, showed that squash and pumpkins originated in the Americas. Both require similar growing conditions and are edible, unlike gourds, which

tend to be bitter.

Pumpkins are for Halloween what snow people are to winter. One type, the Miniature Pumpkin, makes a cute vase. You can choose from the varieties called Munchkin, Jack Be Little, Baby Bear (also good for pies and roasting healthy seeds in Tamari for munching) or Baby Boo, which is white.

Cut out the top of the pumpkin, gourd or squash with a sharp knife, scoop away the pulp with a spoon and voila — a mini vase. They remain watertight for about a week, but put a container underneath just to be sure. (Thank you Martha Stewart.)

Or use Spooktacular, an excellent miniature carving pumpkin. It's only six inches in diameter and weighs just three or four pounds.

Next spring, consider planting your own pumpkins. Remember that the male and female parts are in separate flowers and only the female flowers produce fruit.

I once had a pumpkin grow in my old sunny yard from one left outside from Halloween. It not only fed the squirrels and birds but saved me from buying another one the next year as it wrapped its way around my back porch.

### Other natural decorating ideas

The Herb Society of America — Grosse Pointe unit will do its part to bring natural decorating indoors when the group hosts "Making Wreaths and Rings with Fresh Evergreens" at its next meeting, Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m. The group meets at the Children's Home of Detroit.

Judith Cornellier, who lectures at many garden clubs and master gardening events, will demonstrate how to use fresh greens from your yard to make a candle ring and door swag. She will incorporate a variety of herbs to add a fragrant flair and use what many gardeners grow and harvest from their own landscapes.

A hint Cornellier shares in making wreaths, is to use Noble Fir or Incense Cedar, as they retain their needles and have attractive small (1/4-inch) pine cones on the ends. She says both

varieties are available at Eastern Market and local nurseries.

If you're more of a hands-on type, the Detroit Garden Center will host a Decorate a Fresh Green Wreath Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 10 a.m. until noon. Participants will embellish a fresh wreath with their own or the instructor's ornaments. Call (313) 259-6363 for details.

Using any one of these ideas will help you see your garden as more than half full. Enjoy the season!

Kathleen Peabody is a Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. E-mail her at [kmaslankapeabody@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kmaslankapeabody@sbcglobal.net)

### Fall garden cleanup

- Remove diseased leaves from flower beds, particularly roses, hollyhocks, bee balm, garden phlox and peony. After a couple of nights of hard, freezing frost, discard hosta leaves to decrease next year's pest problems, such as slugs.

- Leave behind a few flowers that have gone to seed for winter attraction and to feed birds. Include your coneflower, butterfly bush and sedum.

- As they turn brown, pull annuals and discard them. Dry and save seeds for planting next year.

- Shred leaves and scatter over beds; the mulch will decompose by next spring and be ready to work into the soil.

- If bringing in tender bulbs or tubers, be sure to check for pests; store and label properly.

## Pork is enhanced with homemade chutney

I'm wrapping up my tailgate series with a terrific recipe for pork tenderloin sandwiches with homemade chutney (CHUHT-nee). Chutney, which comes from the East Indian word chatni, is a condiment that contains fruit, sugar and spices. The flavor can range from sweet, to mild or hot and spicy. Chutneys are served with different meats and cheeses and are often found paired with curry dishes.

### Pork Tenderloin Sandwiches with Fall Chutney

2 1-lb. Pork tenderloins  
1 1/2 teaspoons plus 1/2 teaspoon kosher or coarse sea salt  
1 teaspoon plus 1/2 teaspoon black pepper

1 1/2 teaspoons plus 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme  
2 tablespoons olive oil, divided  
1 large onion, halved and thinly sliced  
2 large Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored and chopped  
1/3 cup maple syrup  
1/3 cup apple-cider vinegar  
7 oz. package chopped dried fruit

Combine 1 1/2 teaspoons of the salt with 1 teaspoon of the pepper and 1 teaspoon of the thyme. Drizzle 1 tablespoon of the olive oil over the pork. Sprinkle the pork with the salt mixture and place on a grill that is about 400 degrees or so. The pork will cook to medium in about 30 minutes. While the pork is grilling, prepare the chutney. In a medium skillet,



heat the remaining 1 tablespoon of oil over medium high heat. Add the sliced onion, and cook until the onion begins to soften, about 7 minutes. Add the chopped apple, syrup, vinegar and dried fruit.

Cook the mixture, stirring often, until most of the liquid is absorbed, about 15 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in the remaining 1/2 teaspoon each of the salt, pepper

and thyme. Serve the warm chutney with the grilled pork

For tailgaters, prepare the chutney the day before the game, and store tightly covered in the refrigerator.

Prepare the meat on the morning of the game, and transport it to the tailgate grill in plastic. Bring along a grill-safe pan to reheat the chutney while the pork is cooking. Slice the pork and make sandwiches, using dinner sized rolls (the pork will fit nicely on a smaller roll). Top the pork with the warm chutney, and pass the sandwiches.

This was my first attempt at chutney, and I was thrilled with the results. The flavor was outstanding. This delicious take on pork is a great choice for an autumn dinner or for your next tailgate party.

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## The sporty redesigned '04 Camry Solara Coupe

By Greg Zyla

This week, we're behind the wheel of Toyota's redesigned 2004 Camry Solara Coupe, a much more sporty version of what once was one of Toyota's "older crowd" offerings. The reason for the change is simple: Attract young consumers, and then dazzle them with great performance, fair pricing and great looks. Toyota has indeed done all three.

Our silver metallic Solara came in top-of-the-line SLE trimmings, which we loved from the get go. Base SE and SE Sport lines are also available. One onlooker thought we were driving a Lexus, which is really no surprise as Toyota owns Lexus, and there are numerous Lexus innovations built into the new Solara.

Outwardly, Solara now features an ultra-aerodynamic design, which Toyota says is "arc-shaped" from the front to the rear bumper. Huge headlights contour themselves around the side

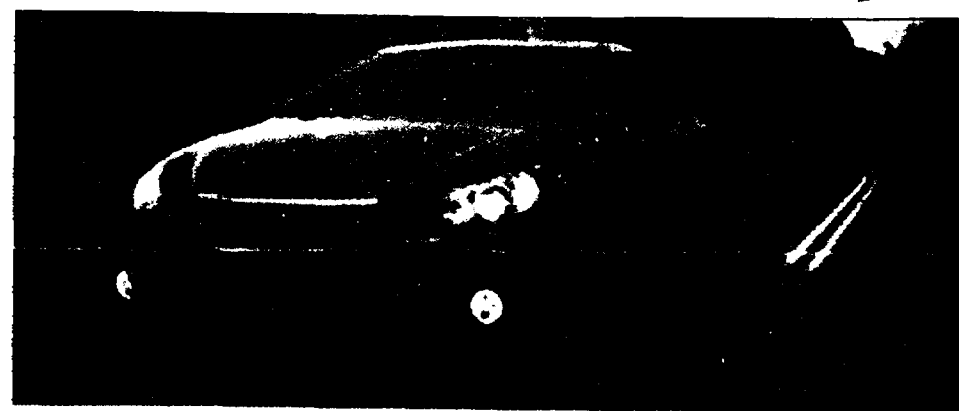
fenders, and fog lamps built into the front air dam give it a "Trans-Am racing" style of appearance. The narrowed rear features a curved trunk and large taillights. Overall, the design is very impressive.

It's on the highway, however, where we like the front-drive Solara best. "Comfortable" is the word for all passengers, but Toyota has accomplished this feat without sacrificing the sports-car feel. Precise handling and a good sense of the road await the driver, while a 3.3-liter V-6 engine that produces 225-horsepower beckons your input. The transmission is Toyota's popular and fine-performing sequential automatic five speed that allows manual selection for gear changing. This car accelerates well and then offers up fine EPA numbers like 20-mpg city and 29-mpg highway on 91-octane premium fuel.

The sporty ride comes from Toyota's great suspension,

featuring MacPherson strut front suspension with gas-filled shock absorbers and stabilizer bar, and a dual-link independent MacPherson strut rear suspension with gas-filled shock absorbers and stabilizer bar. Standard tires on the V-6 version are P215/55R17s mated to beautiful alloy wheels and four-wheel disc brakes. As for enhanced braking assist and traction, our Solara included the optional (\$650) Vehicle Stability Control system, which we highly recommend.

Solara's cabin is well-done, and even those sitting in the rear seat didn't have much trouble accessing the area in this two-door model. The dashboard is fully functional, with its gauges, stereo and climate controls placed well and offering good views and easy access. There are also two console-mounted cup holders and a large storage area under the center armrest. Our SLE featured a unique cover for audio and



2004 Toyota Solara SLE

climate control panels, which flipped up with a push on the panel. We especially loved the front seats, which are built properly, have excellent back support and are of proper size, making long trips a breeze. As usual, Toyota's craftsmanship is impeccable, as no squeaks or rattles of any kind were present. Another is notable cabin feature a nice moon roof that is standard on the SLE.

Standard items include all the powers, dual and side air

bags, leather-trimmed seating, eight-way power driver seat with lumbar support, cruise control, remote entry, a great sounding JBL six-disc CD player, tilt-telescopic steering, color-keyed dual power and heated mirrors, two 12-volt power outlets, tire pressure indicator, and heated seats. The final price with the \$650 Vehicle Stability Control system and \$465 destination came to \$27,130.

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include a curb weight of 3,439 pounds, 18.5-gallon fuel tank, 13.8 cubic feet of cargo space and a wheelbase of 107.1 inches.

The 2004 Camry Solara comes highly recommended, receiving a 9.5 on a scale of 10. We really couldn't find any fault with the car, even when we looked for something to nitpick about. It's that good.

— King Features Syndicate

## Sporty '03 LS is not your grandpa's Lincoln

By Derek Price

Let's be blunt. Lincoln exists because it knows how to satisfy. Its flagship luxury sedan, the Town Car, is a highway barge that aims to float across potholes and glide over bumps without letting its driver notice any imperfections in the road.

A new generation of Americans, however, wants to buy American luxury cars that don't feel American. Rather than the marshmallowy, boat-like feel of big Lincolns and Cadillacs, they want cars that feel European — tight, fast and precise — which is exactly what the new Lincoln LS offers. It's the Town Car's polar opposite.

Think of the big, classic Town Car as a fat couch potato and the lean LS as a wide receiver in the NFL — or at least a pro golfer. It's certainly not your grandpa's Lincoln, and it's helping to redefine American luxury in a new century.

Younger Lincoln buyers like the LS because it has the look and feel of a high-end import with a pleasingly American price, a combination that spells a full frontal assault on the dominance of Europe and Japan in the sports-sedan arena. It's no pretender.

Starting around \$33,000 for a well-equipped V6 model, the LS offers a terrific mix of luxury and excitement

with swift acceleration, confident braking, sports-car-like steering, and inspirational handling.

While the 2003 LS isn't an entirely new car, more than 500 of its parts were changed since last year, Lincoln claims. The result is a car that is not just a second-rate contender, as was the 2002 model, but a truly world-class sports sedan that can compete with the big boys.

One of the most noticeable changes is variable valve timing for both the V6 and V8 engines, making them smoother and more powerful than last year's merely competent powerplants. A 3.0-liter V6 makes 232 horsepower, 17 more than last

year), and the more popular 3.9-liter V8 cranks out a buttery 280 horses (28 more than in 2002). Both are good choices.

Despite the higher power output, interior noise is improved with extra insulation and more refined engineering, making the LS cabin surprisingly quiet without adding weight. Leather seats are standard on all models; dash materials are top-notch; driving controls are well placed, and gauges have a classy, stylish look. Interior construction seems solid around the front seats and on the dash, but some trim around the back-seat roof feels cheap and flimsy.



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2003 Lincoln LS V8

Exterior styling is understated and elegant, with clear influence from BMW in its front end. A classy split grille with taut, creasing lines looks blatantly European to mirror the car's handling and performance.

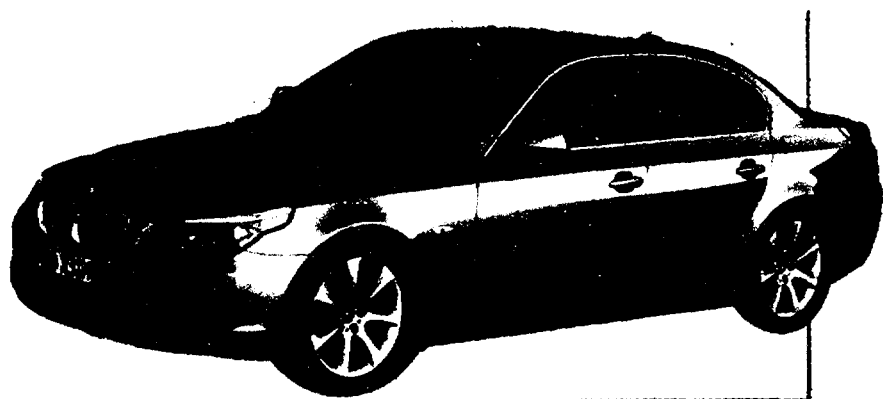
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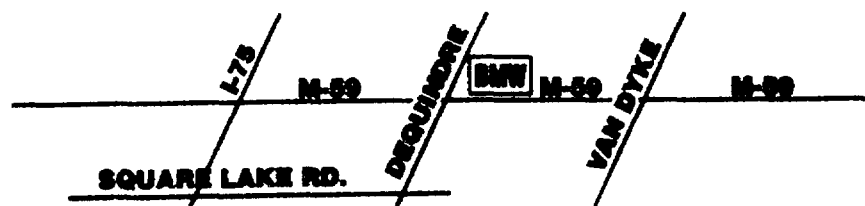
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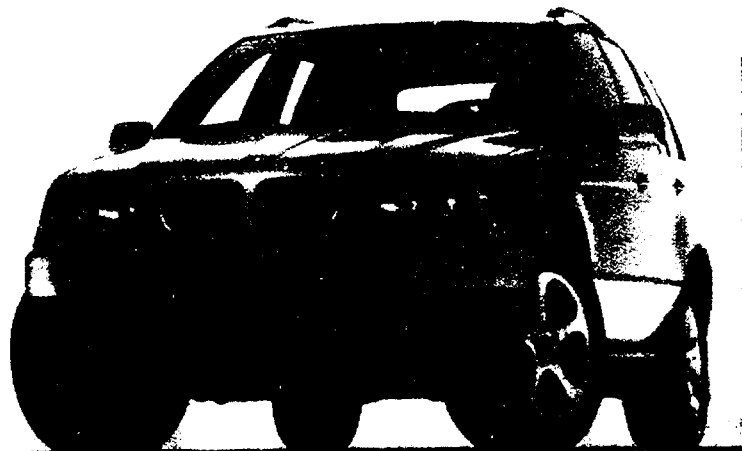
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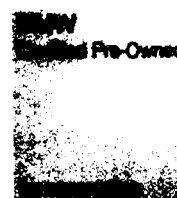
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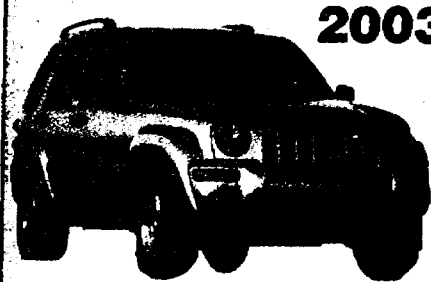
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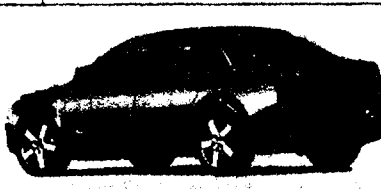
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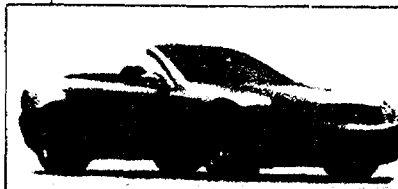
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## '04 Endeavor offers aggressive distinction in styling and more

By Bill Siuru

Mitsubishi has joined the ranks of crossover vehicles that combine the best features of a car and an SUV with the 2004 Endeavor, already in dealers' showrooms. The Mitsubishi SUV lineup now includes the compact Outlander, the Endeavor, the Montero Sport, and the top-of-the-line Montero.

Unlike its siblings, the Endeavor was designed completely in the United States specifically for the American market and is built in Normal, Ill. Its car-based platform will eventually be used on future Mitsubishi Galant sedans and Eclipse coupes.

The Endeavor's styling is distinctive and aggressive, especially from the front end with its grille and oversized openings. Also distinctive are the oversized, flat flared fenders with equally oversized wheel openings. While called a crossover between a passenger car and an SUV, the Endeavor looks more like a crossover between a minivan and SUV because of its high, square profile as well as the huge, steeply sloping windshield.

The Endeavor comes either with front-wheel-drive or all-wheel-drive (AWD). Each version is offered in three trim levels — base LS, mid-range XLS, and luxurious Limited. Only one engine is used, a 3.8-liter V6 that is a slightly larger, improved and a more powerful version of the 3.5-liter 6 found in Monteros. The engine is less sophisticated than others used today with its iron block, aluminum cylinder heads and single overhead camshaft (SOHC), but it does have four-valves-per-cylinder and throttle-by-wire control. Output is 215-horsepower at 5,000 rpm and 250 pound-



2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor

feet of torque at 3,750. The available torque gives good rapid acceleration, and you know it when you punch the throttle.

The engine is mounted transversely and drives the front wheels on 2WD versions, and thus I noted a bit of torque steer, especially on slippery surfaces. With AWD, power is normally split 50-50 between front and rear wheels. Under slippery condition, a center differential viscous coupling supplies power automatically to the wheels with the best traction. There is no low gearing with AWD since the Endeavor is designed more for on-roading than off-roading. The Montero Sport and Monteros with 4WD are still offered for serious off-roaders.

Only one transmission is available, a four-speed Sportronic automatic transmission with manual shifting capability. The EPA numbers are 17 miles per gallon City / 23 mpg Highway for the front-drive models and 17 mpg City / 21 mpg Highway with AWD. These are pretty decent for a vehicle that weighs about two tons unloaded. The fuel tank holds 21.4 gallons, and pre-

mium grade fuel is recommended. Towing capacity is 3500 pounds with the optional towing package.

The wide Endeavor seats five full-sized adults. A third row of seats is not offered thus providing rear seat passengers with lots of legroom and a huge cargo area. Being more minivan than car means great headroom and the ability to carry tall items. The 60 / 40 rear seats fold totally flat to carry a 4 x 8 foot sheet of plywood and there are 10 hooks on the floor and side panels to secure items. The temporary spare tire is located under the floorboard and a full-sized spare is optional.

The dashboard features a huge center console with huge knobs and buttons for all the functions. The displays for radio, climate control, clock, compass, etc. are all consolidated in a single hooded LCD unit that is difficult-to-impossible to read in daylight. While the designers attempted to simulate a high-tech metallic look for the console, the result was a somewhat cheap plastic appearance. The other materials used inside, while obvi-



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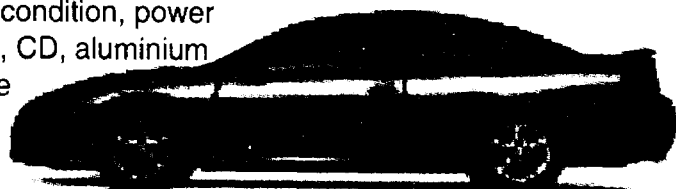


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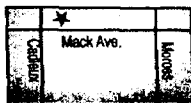
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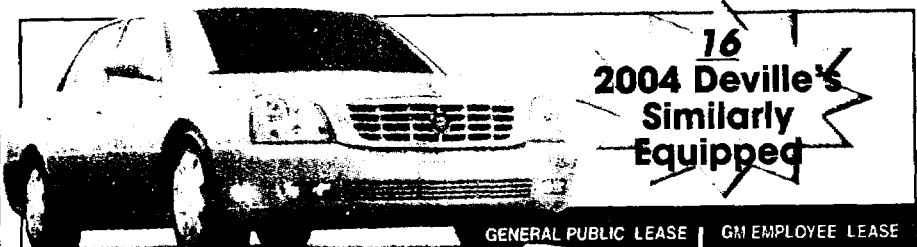
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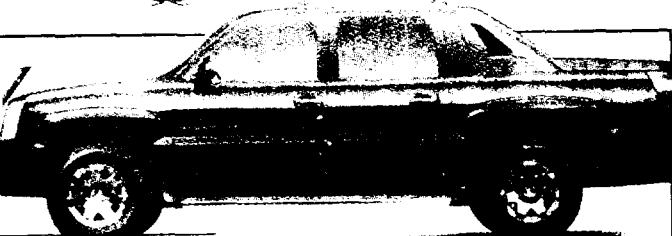
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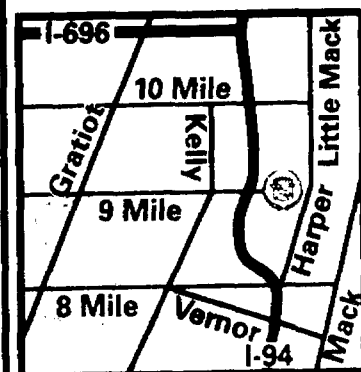


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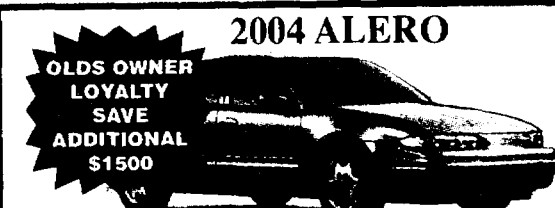
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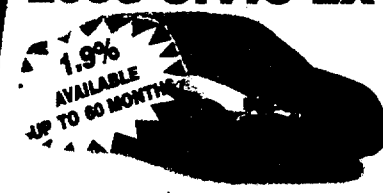
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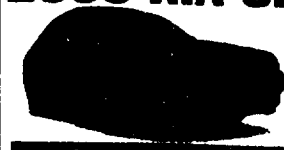
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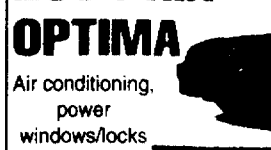
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## When not to file a claim

By Liz Pulliam Weston

You know your insurance is there for you when you need it. However, it's important to know when you need it.

After losing \$19 billion between 2000 and 2002, insurers are dumping consumers who file too many or the wrong type of claims. In fact, some people have even found themselves without coverage after consulting with their agent about whether to file. It may sometimes be better in the long run to pay out-of-pocket.

While there's no clear-cut way to determine when to file, there are four common scenarios when you might find your insurance carrier would prefer not to hear from you. Companies often view these as red flags when calculating premiums and evaluating policyholders:

- The damage is under \$1,000. Many consumers keep premiums down by raising their deductibles to \$500 or even \$1,000 and not mak-

ing claims for less than that. It may sometimes be better to raid your emergency fund

### Some insurers drop customers who file just two claims in two years.

than to risk higher premiums or nonrenewal. In addition, filing a small claim can count against you if you ever need to file a bigger claim.

- No one was hurt. If you're in a one-car mishap or you hit an unoccupied vehicle, you might consider paying for the damage yourself if you can afford the tab. Paying for an accident out-of-pocket may be cheaper than facing higher premiums, especially if your driving history is less than pristine.

- The damage involves water or mold. Consumers

who make water damage claims risk losing their coverage and may even find that coverage is unavailable at any price. Worse, if future potential buyers have trouble getting a policy because of past claims, you may have a tough time selling your home.

- The damage resulted from your neglect. No less than in court, you should go to your insurer with clean hands. Most homeowners' policies specifically exclude problems that result from pest infestations, rot and other indications that you've failed to properly maintain your home. You're also on the hook if you make a bad problem worse. If a windstorm blows off part of your roof, and you leave the hole uncovered, you might lose coverage for contents that were exposed to further damage.

All this doesn't mean you can never use your policy, but a little restraint, especially these days, will help ensure it's there for you.

## '04 Endeavor

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ously plastic, appear to be of higher quality.

Visibility in all directions, including over the huge dashboard, is very good. The outside rearview mirrors are huge. There are many cup holders and three power outlets, two in the front console and one in the rear for back-seat passengers that offer both 12 VDC and 120 VAC electric power. Front doors have storage pockets, and there is a large glove box and center console bin for storing lots of your stuff.

The base LS comes decently equipped including air conditioning, AM/FM/CD, remote keyless entry, 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels, roof rails, and power windows.

door locks and mirrors. The XLS adds premium cloth seats, power driver's seat, 315-watt sound system with six-disc CD, and a 5-inch color LCD screen with time, temperature, compass and programmable function readings, crossbars for the roof rails, a cargo cover and chrome bumper caps. Options on the XLS include a moon roof, leather upholstery, and heated seats and mirrors.

The "loaded" Limited has automatic climate control, leather trim, heated front seats and rear view mirrors, a tire-pressure monitoring system, rear seat climate controls, fog lamps and body-colored bumpers. Moon roof

Limited.

While all models have dual front air bags, dual side air bags are offered only on the XLS (optional) And Limited (standard). Anti-lock braking is standard on the AWDs and all Limited models, but optional on the XLS 2WD. Disc brakes are fitted on all four wheels. An anti-skid and traction-control system is optional only on the Limited.

If you want an SUV that rides, handles and drives like a quality passenger car while offering the interior space of a minivan, the Endeavor is worth a serious look. Prices for the Endeavor start at \$25,597 for the base LS 2WD and go up to \$33,197 for the Limited AWD.



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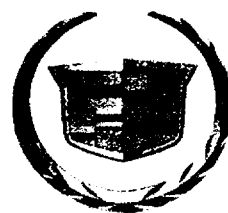
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## The staunch performing '03 F250 King Ranch Power Stroke Diesel

By Greg Zyla

We were king of the road on the test drive in Ford's powerful, rugged and surprisingly luxurious 2003 F250 4x4 King Ranch Power Stroke Diesel.

With a full-size crew cab with four-door access and a 156-inch wheelbase, our Estate Green metallic King Ranch was a staunch performer wherever we took it. Regardless of destination, potential consumers swarmed the vehicle asking about the diesel engine under the hood.

Built around Ford's popular and successful F-Series — the top-selling vehicle in the world — our 250 came with the King Ranch option, where, for \$2,995, the buyer receives a bevy of additions, including cab steps with lights, telescopic outside power/heated mirrors, beautiful King Ranch wheels, dual captain chairs in front, medium parchment leather finish, heated seats and special King Ranch badging. There is a tweaked dashboard, and the rear bench seat comes with head restraints.

Under the hood sits the new and powerful Power Stroke 6.0-liter turbo diesel. Unlike diesels of the past, this Ford diesel accelerates like a regular gas-powered V-8, offering excellent merging and passing abilities. Two more valves per cylinder improve the Power Stroke's breathing abilities, and a new, digitally controlled hydraulic injector pushes 26,000 psi of pressure to atomize the fuel for a more powerful combustion. The engine is also quieter than the 7.3-liter Power Stroke it replaces.



diesel "rumble" is prominent, something diesel owners have come to love. Bottom line on this engine, which costs an additional \$5,085, is power. It cruises at low rpm, even at 70 mph, and can probably haul anything attached, thanks to its 8,800-pound GVW package, which is standard on this model. The new 6.0 Power Stroke Diesel puts out 325 horsepower with an unheard of 560 foot-pounds of torque at just 2,000 rpm. (Yes, you can break the tires loose.) It's worth every penny of the optional price.

A special five-speed automatic transmission transfers power to all four wheels when asked, and at \$1,480 extra, it is a necessity. The 4x4 system offers the usual low and high ranges, and when we tested the 4x4 in a muddy area, it went through as if there were nothing in front of it. We attribute this off-road performance to the \$250 optional 265/75R16WE all-terrain tires, and, of course, that powerful Power Stroke diesel.

Other options include a 3.73 ratio limited-slip rear for \$300, power slide moon roof for \$810, a premium AM/FM six-disc CD for

\$210, power adjustable gas and brake pedals for \$120 more, dual alternators for \$335 and a trailer hitch for \$175. The final price, with \$795 delivery fee, came to \$47,825.

Driving impressions are very good. We drove the freeways and in town, and the F250, although a big vehicle, performed very well. This F250 has all the expected safety features, like four-wheel disc ABS, air bags, child seat belts and an advanced security group.

The interior is massive, allowing transportation of five adults easily. The 6.75-foot bed allows tremendous cargo capabilities, and the 29-gallon diesel fuel tank will keep this King Ranch on the road for hours.

Important numbers include a maximum towing capacity of 13,700 pounds and a base curb weight of 6,270-pounds. The EPA does not rate this truck for fuel mileage, but we expect it to be somewhere in the 16- to 17-mpg range cruising on the freeway, perhaps more. If you tow or haul, expect less.

Ford's new Power Stroke receives only our second 9.5 rating on a scale of 10 this year, so if you are in the

market for a diesel truck, make sure you test-drive this one. It is truly amazing.

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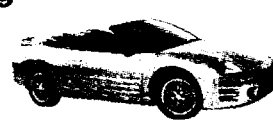


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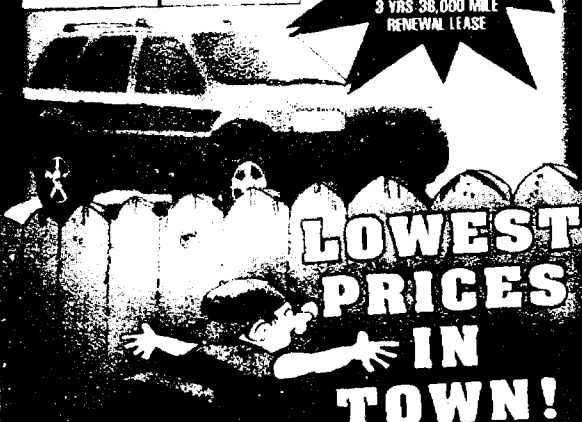
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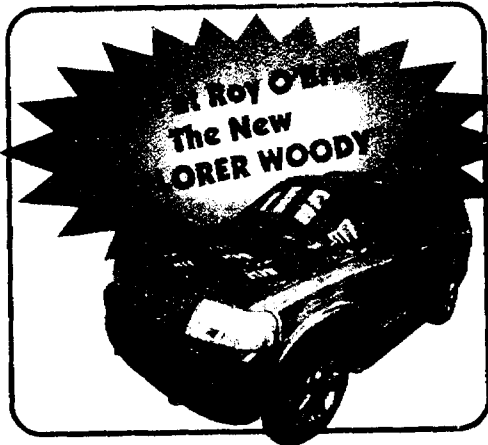
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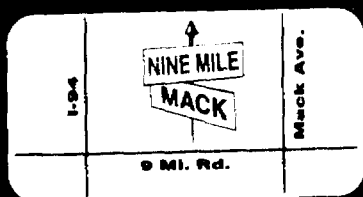
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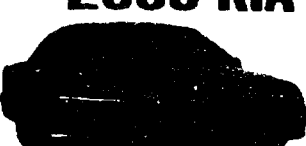
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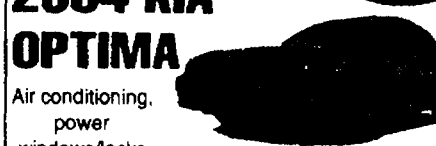
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## When not to file a claim

By Liz Pulliam Weston

You know your insurance is there for you when you need it. However, it's important to know when you need it.

After losing \$19 billion between 2000 and 2002, insurers are dumping consumers who file too many or the wrong type of claims. In fact, some people have even found themselves without coverage after consulting with their agent about whether to file. It may sometimes be better in the long run to pay out-of-pocket.

While there's no clear-cut way to determine when to file, there are four common scenarios when you might find your insurance carrier would prefer not to hear from you. Companies often view these as red flags when calculating premiums and evaluating policyholders:

- The damage is under \$1,000. Many consumers keep premiums down by raising their deductibles to \$500 or even \$1,000 and not mak-

ing claims for less than that. It may sometimes be better to raid your emergency fund

**Some insurers drop customers who file just two claims in two years.**

than to risk higher premiums or nonrenewal. In addition, filing a small claim can count against you if you ever need to file a bigger claim.

- No one was hurt. If you're in a one-car mishap or you hit an unoccupied vehicle, you might consider paying for the damage yourself if you can afford the tab. Paying for an accident out-of-pocket may be cheaper than facing higher premiums, especially if your driving history is less than pristine.

- The damage involves water or mold. Consumers

who make water damage claims risk losing their coverage and may even find that coverage is unavailable at any price. Worse, if future potential buyers have trouble getting a policy because of past claims, you may have a tough time selling your home.

- The damage resulted from your neglect. No less than in court, you should go to your insurer with clean hands. Most homeowners' policies specifically exclude problems that result from pest infestations, rot and other indications that you've failed to properly maintain your home. You're also on the hook if you make a bad problem worse. If a windstorm blows off part of your roof, and you leave the hole uncovered, you might lose coverage for contents that were exposed to further damage.

All this doesn't mean you can never use your policy, but a little restraint, especially these days, will help ensure it's there for you.

## '04 Endeavor

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ously plastic, appear to be of higher quality.

Visibility in all directions, including over the huge dashboard, is very good. The outside rearview mirrors are huge. There are many cup holders and three power outlets, two in the front console and one in the rear for back-seat passengers that offer both 12 VDC and 120 VAC electric power. Front doors have storage pockets, and there is a large glove box and center console bin for storing lots of your stuff.

The base LS comes decently equipped including air conditioning, AM/FM/CD, remote keyless entry, 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels, roof rails, and power windows, door locks and mirrors. The

XLS adds premium cloth seats, power driver's seat, 315-watt sound system with six-disc CD, and a 5-inch color LCD screen with time, temperature, compass and programmable function readings, crossbars for the roof rails, a cargo cover and chrome bumper caps. Options on the XLS include a moon roof, leather upholstery, and heated seats and mirrors.

The "loaded" Limited has automatic climate control, leather trim, heated front seats and rear view mirrors, a tire-pressure monitoring system, rear seat climate controls, fog lamps and body-colored bumpers. Moon roof, and power windows, door locks and mirrors. The

Limited.

While all models have dual front air bags, dual side air bags are offered only on the XLS (optional) and Limited (standard). Anti-lock braking is standard on the AWDs and all Limited models, but optional on the XLS 2WD. Disc brakes are fitted on all four wheels. An anti-skid and traction-control system is optional only on the Limited.

If you want an SUV that rides, handles and drives like a quality passenger car while offering the interior space of a minivan, the Endeavor is worth a serious look. Prices for the Endeavor start at \$25,597 for the base LS 2WD and go up to \$33,197 for the Limited AWD.

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## The staunch performing '03 F250 King Ranch Power Stroke Diesel

By Greg Zyla

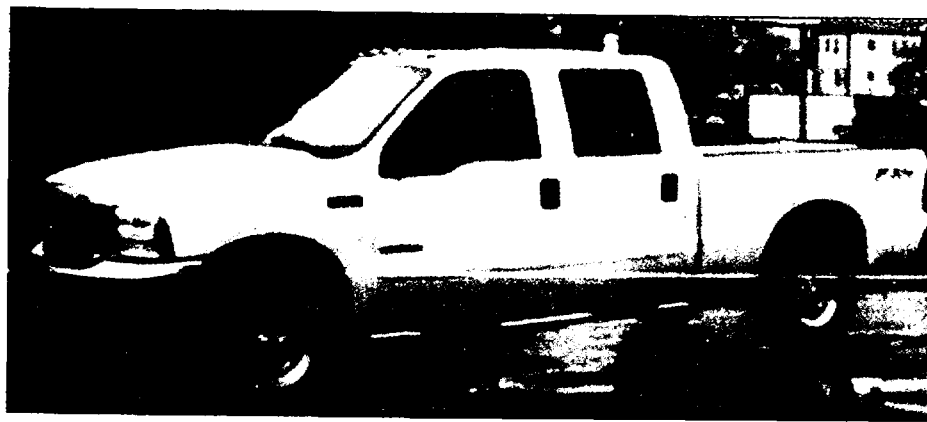
We were king of the road on the test drive in Ford's powerful, rugged and surprisingly luxurious 2003 F250 4x4 King Ranch Power Stroke Diesel.

With a full-size crew cab with four-door access and a 156-inch wheelbase, our Estate Green metallic King Ranch was a staunch performer wherever we took it. Regardless of destination, potential consumers swarmed the vehicle asking about the diesel engine under the hood.

Built around Ford's popular and successful F-Series — the top-selling vehicle in the world — our 250 came with the King Ranch option, where, for \$2,995, the buyer receives a bevy of additions, including cab steps with lights, telescopic outside power/heated mirrors, beautiful King Ranch wheels, dual captain chairs in front, medium parchment leather finish, heated seats and special King Ranch badging. There is a tweaked dashboard, and the rear bench seat comes with head restraints.

Under the hood sits the new and powerful Power Stroke 6.0-liter turbo Diesel. Unlike diesels of the past, this Ford diesel accelerates like a regular gas-powered V-8, offering excellent merging and passing abilities. Two more valves per cylinder improve the Power Stroke's breathing abilities, and a new, digitally controlled hydraulic injector pushes 26,000 psi of pressure to atomize the fuel for a more powerful combustion. The engine is also quieter than the 7.3-liter Power Stroke it replaces.

Of course, that special



diesel "rumble" is prominent, something diesel owners have come to love. Bottom line on this engine, which costs an additional \$5,085, is power. It cruises at low rpm, even at 70 mph, and can probably haul anything attached, thanks to its 8,800-pound GVW package, which is standard on this model. The new 6.0 Power Stroke Diesel puts out 325 horsepower with an unheard of 560 foot-pounds of torque at just 2,000 rpm. (Yes, you can break the tires loose.) It's worth every penny of the optional price.

A special five-speed automatic transmission transfers power to all four wheels when asked, and at \$1,480 extra, it is a necessity. The 4x4 system offers the usual low and high ranges, and when we tested the 4x4 in a muddy area, it went through as if there were nothing in front of it. We attribute this off-road performance to the 250's optional 265/75R16WE all-terrain tires, and, of course, that powerful Power Stroke diesel.

Other options include a 3.73 ratio limited-slip rear for \$300, power slide moon roof for \$810, a premium AM/FM six-disc CD for

\$210, power adjustable gas and brake pedals for \$120 more, dual alternators for \$335 and a trailer hitch for \$175. The final price, with \$795 delivery fee, came to \$47,825.

Driving impressions are very good. We drove the freeways and in town, and the F250, although a big vehicle, performed very well. This F250 has all the expected safety features, like four-wheel disc ABS, air bags, child seat belts and an advanced security group.

The interior is massive, allowing transportation of five adults easily. The 6.75-foot bed allows tremendous cargo capabilities, and the 29-gallon diesel fuel tank will keep this King Ranch on the road for hours.

Important numbers include a maximum towing capacity of 13,700 pounds and a base curb weight of 6,270-pounds. The EPA does not rate this truck for fuel mileage, but we expect it to be somewhere in the 16- to 17-mpg range cruising on the freeway, perhaps more. If you tow or haul, expect less.

Ford's new Power Stroke receives only our second 9.5 rating on a scale of 10 this year, so if you are in the

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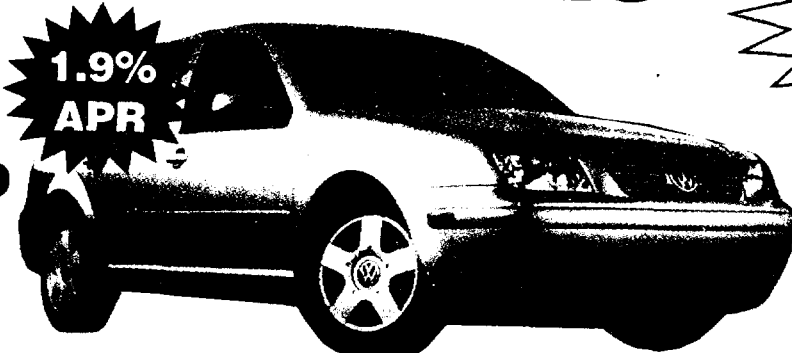


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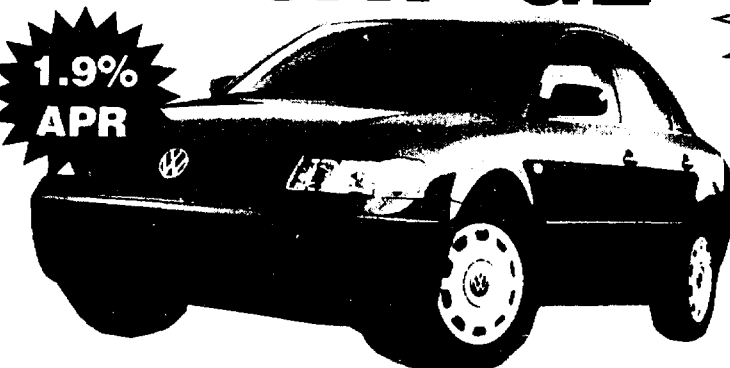
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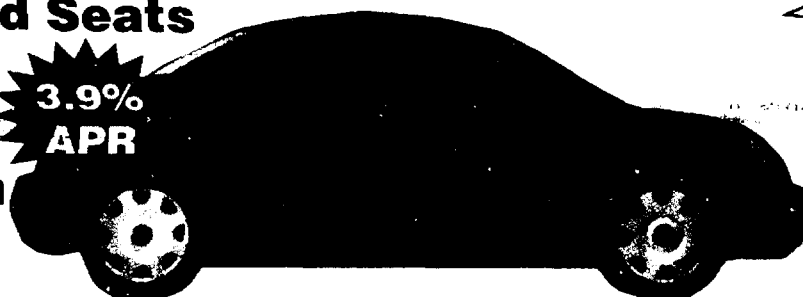
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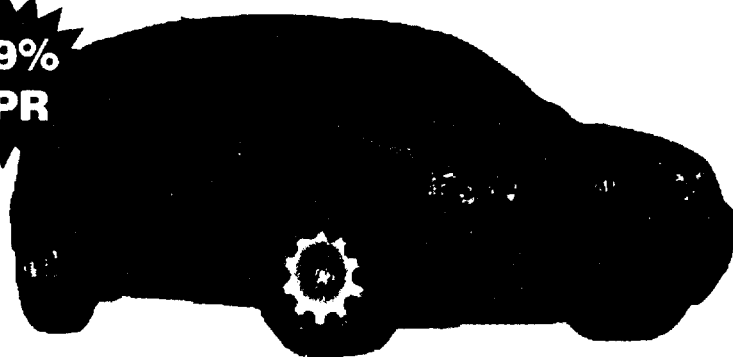
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## '84 Skylark

By Greg Zyla

Q. Greg, I have a 1984 Buick Skylark Custom four-door sedan. It has almost 60,000 miles, with air conditioning and radio. I have always kept it in a heated garage, and it is in very good condition. I purchased it new from the area Buick dealer. What do you think my car is worth? I am 81 years old and want to stop driving and sell my Buick. It looks really good, so what should I sell it for?

— M.B. Kilpower, Duluth, Minn.

A. First, congratulations on keeping your Buick in good condition. If you want to sell it quickly, I'd ask in the neighborhood of \$1,200 for the car, and then let it go if you can get \$950 to \$1,100. Since your Buick is not any type of collector model, this is about all you can expect for the four-cylinder-powered Skylark.

Advertise that Skylark in your local classifieds, and I'll bet within a week you'll have it sold. It will make an excellent first car for a young driver or college student, or a great second car for a family in need. Good luck, and drop me a line when you run that classified ad and sell the Skylark.

## '72 Chevy Cheyenne

Q. I have a 1972 Chevy Cheyenne four-wheel-drive 4-ton pickup that we bought new. It has 135,000 miles, no air conditioning and the original 350 engine with automatic transmission. It has been garaged all that time and runs well. The fender panels and cab corners are rusted in some areas. What do you think my Cheyenne is worth?

— Fred Z., Orlando, Fla.

A. Fred, your Chevy Cheyenne may one day be a valued collector truck, according to the prices in Old Price Guide magazine.

# CRUISIN'

My friend (the late) Smokey Yunick once told me that the Cleveland head was superior at the time to the small-block Chevy head of the era, and that you had to buy a big-block Chevy if you wanted the same type of horsepower production ability that the Cleveland head offered. Take good care of your G.T., and thanks for the letter.

Right now, it's listed for about \$3,600 in "No. 4" condition (a drivable vehicle needing no, or only minor, work to be functional, which sounds like your truck).

If completely restored to No. 1 condition, these trucks can bring as much as \$17,000 and up at auctions; so you might want to contemplate doing some restoration work. With attention to the body, your Cheyenne's price may go upward of \$6,000; so you might want to repair the rust areas at a good body shop.

## '73 Mercury Montego

Q. Greg, I have a 1973 Mercury Montego G.T. with a 351 Cleveland motor. It's black on black with an automatic on the floor and bucket seats. I am the second owner. I bought the car in 1980, and it presently has 107,000 miles on it. Could you please tell me what my Mercury is worth?

— Henry Perdue, Moneta, Va.

A. Henry, the picture you sent me reveals your Mercury is in very good original shape. I see it has the GT wheels, too. As for its worth, I'd say you are looking at a minimum of \$3,600 to \$4,500, with a price of \$9,200 if professionally restored.

The 351 Cleveland cylinder-head-equipped Mercurys are the desired motor these days, as Ford switched over to a Windsor cylinder-head design in the '80s. The Cleveland cylinder heads are similar to a big-block Chevy's in that they are canted (one valve up and one valve down) for better performance, instead of the two valves sitting side by side.

## 1966 Ford Galaxie

Q. Greg, I have a 1966 Ford Galaxie 500 four-door sedan. It has a 289 V-8 engine with 83,500 original miles and automatic transmission, power steering, no air conditioning and a factory radio. It is in good condition and road ready, and it has always been garaged. I purchased this car brand-new from the Ford dealer. What do you feel this car is worth? Thank you very much, and I enjoy your column here in Humboldt, Kansas.

— Hugh P.

A. Hugh, I'd say your '66 Galaxie 500 is worth in the neighborhood of \$3,000 to \$3,900. Of all the Galaxies that year, yours is the one that is worth the least, but I wouldn't let that bother you too much. There are Ford collectors out there who would love to have your car.

Just for the record, the '66 Galaxie 500 with the 427 engine is worth about \$28,000 to \$32,000 in pristine condition, and \$12,500 in good condition. There are also Galaxie 500 XL and LTD models that year, all worth about \$2,000 more than the standard sedan models. Hope this all helps, and thanks for the nice comments.

Write to Greg Zyla in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send an e-mail to [greg@kingfeatures.com](mailto:greg@kingfeatures.com).

# NEW ARRIVALS OF 2003

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Your picture must be received in our office no later than Wednesday, December 17th, earlier would assist our production schedule. (Late November and December birth photos may be submitted until January 7, 2004.)

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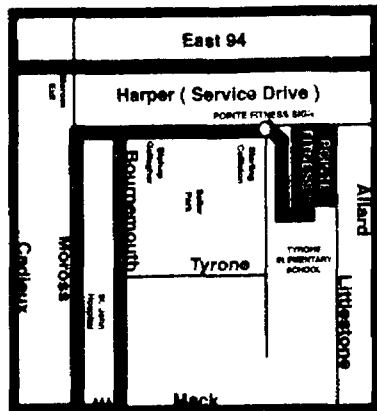
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## No-sissy truck is all about style born to be wild

By Derek Price

It's ironic that pickup trucks, once considered the homely workhorses of blue collar America, now tout refinement as a selling point. With each passing year come more car-like interiors, smoother suspensions, and better engines that make trucks seem just a little bit — dare I say it — wimpier. But not this truck.

At least there's one pickup that spits in the face of refinement. With a raucous, thunderous exhaust note, attention grabbing paint scheme, and miles of gaudy chrome trim, this truck rides into town with the coarse, all-American style of Marlon Brando and James Dean. It's no sissy truck.

It's the Ford F-150 Harley-Davidson Edition, a limited production pickup designed to have the classic functionality of a Ford truck and the rebellious style of a Harley motorcycle. The formula is simple: start with a tried-and-true Ford F-150; then slather the interior with black leather; add a Harley-Davidson logo to everything in sight, and pour on enough chrome to make a boatload of harmonicas. To top it off, add a wild, two-tone paint scheme and strap a supercharger to Ford's monster 5.4-liter Triton V8.

At the heart of this road hogging beast is a terrific engine — if your idea of terrific is big, loud, and powerful — that makes a deep, throaty sound you can literally feel through the seat. Step on the gas and you're instantly shoved back by 340 horsepower and an impressive 425 foot-pounds



2003 Harley-Davidson Ford F-150

of torque, which slurps an equally impressive amount of fuel for a pathetic 12 miles per gallon around town.

But this truck is all about style, and it has attitude out the wazoo. Its wonderfully tasteless cabin doesn't aim to be polite or subtle, instead opting for an in-your-face barrage of Harley logos peppered throughout the leather-clad interior. Like everything else about the Harley truck, the look is loud — really loud — with a two-tone color scheme that matches the black and gray paint job.

That doesn't mean the cabin is boorish, however. It's actually pretty comfortable and packed with amenities, like a power sliding sunroof and great sounding stereo that's perfect for cranking up Steppenwolf tunes. All Harley edition trucks are four-door SuperCrew models so even the back seat is roomy and pleasant.

On the downside, the grating drone of the engine

and exhaust is atrocious on the highway, and at 70 miles an hour you have to raise your voice just to talk to the front seat passenger. It's certainly no luxury cruiser. Just the way it should be for a Harley Davidson aficionado.

But things with the Harley badge aren't meant to be luxurious and quiet. They're built as a noisy, stylish homage to the open road and American freedom, for driving with wind in your hair, rock music in the air, and a defiant smile on your face. At that, this truck excels.

Why buy it? This truck is all about style. If you like Harley-Davidson's signature look of chrome and black leather, then this truck's for you. The result is a truck that turns heads wherever it goes for both its wicked looks and its pavement shaking sound. If ever a pickup were born to be wild, this is it.

— AutoWire

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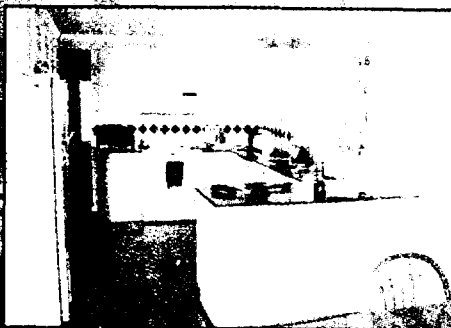
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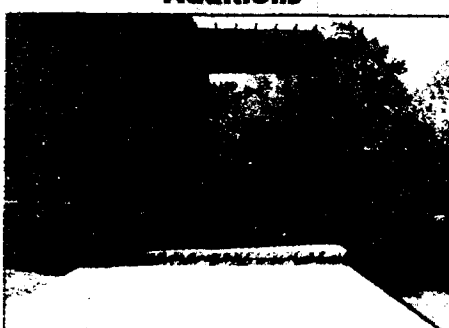
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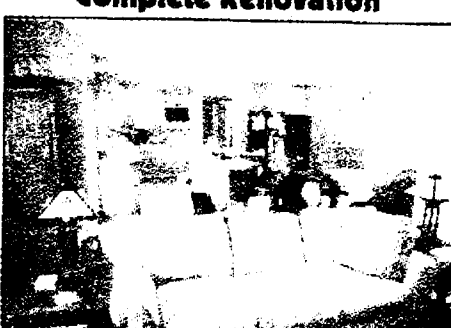
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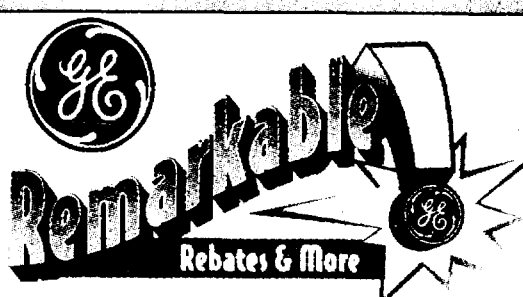
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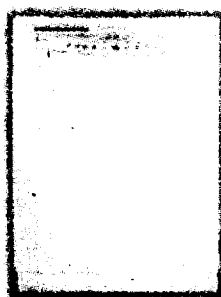
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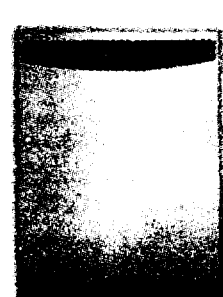


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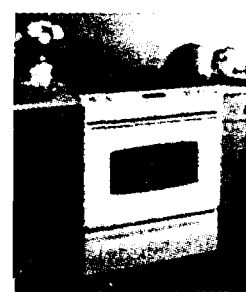


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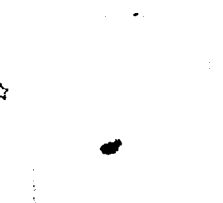


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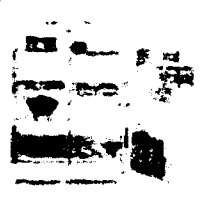
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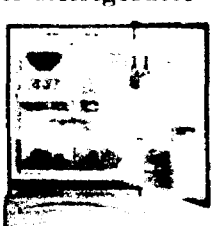


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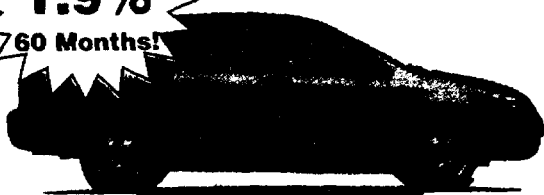
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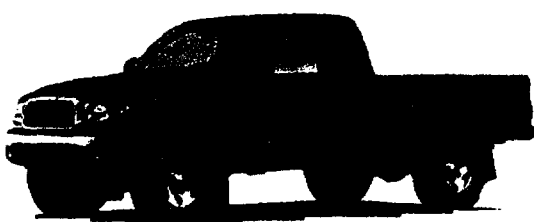
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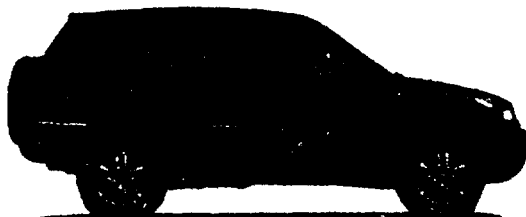
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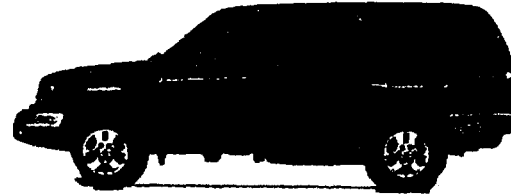


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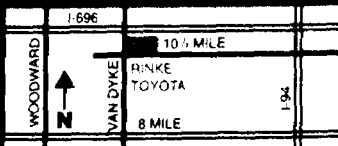
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## South gets MAC Blue title and qualifies for playoffs

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South and L'Anse Creuse North don't look anything alike when it comes to their offensive and defensive systems, but there is a similarity between the two Macomb Area Conference Blue Division football rivals.

And Blue Devils coach Mike McLeod made sure that he reminded his team of that similarity before and during last week's showdown for the MAC Blue title.

"I told the kids that we might be different in a lot of ways, but L'Anse Creuse North is like us in one way — they won't ever quit, and they didn't," McLeod said after the Blue Devils held off a late rally by the Crusaders to win 49-35.

The victory was South's sixth of the season and it assured the Blue Devils of a playoff berth for the second time in four years.

It also gave South its first division championship since 1987 when the Blue Devils won the title in the old Eastern Michigan League Division of the MAC.

"The kids are excited, and they should be," McLeod said. "They worked hard for this. After we lost to Roseville (in the first division game) we couldn't afford another loss."

Port Huron also finished 5-1 in the MAC Blue, while LCN was a game behind at 4-2.

"But we beat Port Huron, so we're claiming the cham-

pionship," McLeod said with a smile after his players had given him the traditional Gatorade dousing.

McLeod said that the championship wouldn't have been possible without an excellent week of practice from South's scout team, and especially the work of Tom Peltz and Chris Welch.

"The scout team had its best week of the year," McLeod said.

South got off to a good start when LCN fumbled the opening kickoff and Pete Grimmer recovered at the Blue Devils' 44. On the second play from scrimmage, Theo Coates ran 43 yards to the Crusaders' eight. On the next play, Tom Sawicki scored on a run and Brian Gatliff kicked the first of his five extra points.

An 82-yard kickoff return by LCN's Josh Flint set up a three-yard touchdown run by Cory Goike as the Crusaders tied the game at 7-7.

South went ahead 14-7 when Derrick Hacias capped a 48-yard drive with a one-yard quarterback sneak early in the second quarter.

The Blue Devils marched 84 yards in seven plays to take a 20-7 lead with 49 seconds left in the first half. Hacias, who completed passes of 13 and 19 yards to tight end Mark Parchment, connected with Ben Jenzen on a 22-yard scoring strike.

South made a key defensive stop after the Blue Devils fumbled on their first play of the second half.

"Holding them after we fumbled was a defining moment in the game," McLeod said.

LCN recovered at the Blue Devils' 30, and drove to the 10, but the Crusaders' fourth down pass was stopped short of the first down.

South then went on a 10-play, 90-yard drive and Jenzen made his second touchdown catch of the game, staying in bounds in the corner of the end zone on a 12-yard pass from Hacias.

Vinnie Panizzi had runs of 12 and 31 yards in the drive.

"At halftime the offensive linemen came to me and said, 'we want to run the ball,'" McLeod said. "One of my coaches said, 'the line's been playing well, let's reward them.'"

The line cleared some huge holes for Sawicki, who rushed for 126 yards, and Panizzi, who picked up 99.

The Blue Devils also scored on their second possession of the second half, and again it was on a pass from Hacias to Jenzen, this time on a play covering 53 yards. Gatliff's extra point made it 34-7 with 50 seconds left in the third quarter.

He didn't throw the ball as much against LCN, especially in the second half, as he has in recent games, but Hacias received praise from his coach.

"I thought Derrick Hacias played the best game of his career," McLeod said. "His pre-snap reads were

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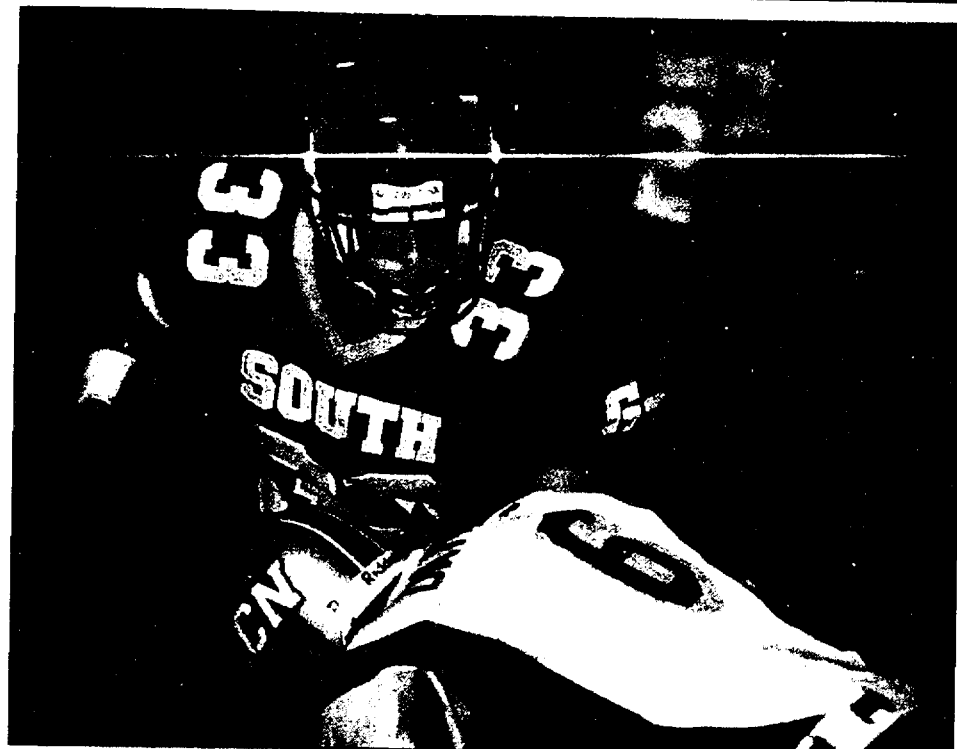


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Grosse Pointe South's Tom Sawicki finds a roadblock in the form of L'Anse Creuse North's Michael Daniels.

## Blue Devils stun dual champs in MAC Red Division meet

A funny thing happened to Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country team while it was trying to catch crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet last weekend.

The Blue Devils ran so well, they also caught dual meet champion Sterling Heights.

South finished with 50 points, while the Stallions, who were unbeaten in the dual meets, had 51. North was third with 73 points.

It was the first MAC Red title for South and the first division title for the Blue Devils since they won the MAC White crown in 1995.

"We used to dominate the White, but our success landed us in the larger school Red Division," said Blue Devils coach Tom Wise.

Sterling Heights was the favorite to win the division meet, but some late-race heroics by Sean O'Donnell-Daudlin, who had a personal record 17:23 on the Metropolitan Beach course,

and the steady running of Adam Dziuba, who also had a PR in 17:26, pushed the Stallions' fifth runner back a place. That was the point South needed to eke out the victory.

Eric Backman (16:54) and Joe Palowski (16:55) each has season-best performances as they placed fifth and sixth, respectively.

Jake Wernet (17:04) made the all-league second team when he finished eighth overall. Bryan Mackenzie

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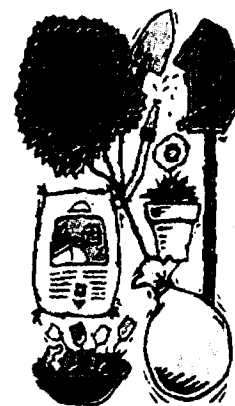
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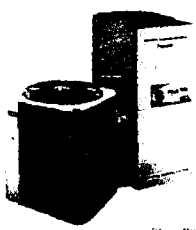
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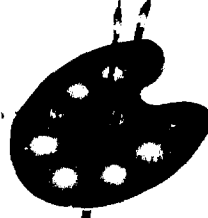
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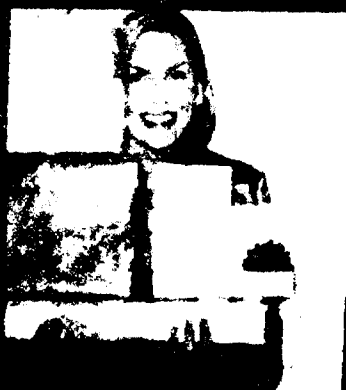
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University Liggett School's golf team won the Division IV regional. In front is Zak Kozuchowski. Standing, from left, are Trevor Stahl, Dan LaLonde, Tommy Russell, coach Bob Buescher and Cam Ducsay.

## ULS golfers are fourth in state

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Bob Buescher knew that he was working with some talented players three years ago when he decided to continue as the boys golf coach at University Liggett School.

What Buescher didn't know was just how special a group he had.

"I was going to give it up three years ago, but I knew I had something special with this group of kids," Buescher said after the Knights finished fourth at last week-end's Division IV state meet at Forest Akers West golf course in East Lansing.

"I'm happy for them that it turned out this way. And the kids did it. I just drove the bus."

Buescher is being modest. His efforts were recognized last week when he was named regional coach of the year.

"The five or six players

that we used the most this year all came to me with a high skill level," Buescher said, "so I played more the role of teacher than coach."

"I'd tinker with their swing a little bit, if there was something I'd see, but their games were solid when they got here."

As talented as this year's team was, Buescher wouldn't have predicted a top-four finish at the state meet.

"If somebody had told me in August that we'd win a regional championship and finish fourth in the state, I would have told the kids to pack up their clubs, because we're taking it," he said.

White Pigeon, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard and Traverse City St. Francis finished in a three-way tie for first place, but White Pigeon won on a fifth-score tiebreaker, and Gabriel Richard was second.

The three leaders had a combined total of 668 from

their first four golfers, while ULS shot 342-332-674.

The Knights' Tommy Russell tied for fifth among individual players with a two-day score of 83-77-160.

The individual medalist, Colin Casciano of St. Francis, won with a 76-78-154.

The Knights' other scorers were Zak Kozuchowski (86-79-165), Dan LaLonde (86-82-168) and Cameron Ducsay (87-94-181). Trevor Stahl was the fifth ULS player.

Buescher tried to ease some of the pressure of competing in the state tournament when he talked to his team after the regional.

"I told them that I didn't care if they finished first or last, as long as they enjoyed what they were doing," Buescher said. "And by enjoyable, I mean playing to the best of your ability."

"I think they did that."

## ULS comes on in second half

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Joey Cobb's high school football career ended with a jarring tackle late in the first half of University Liggett School's game with Clarenceville last week, but the ULS senior can find solace in the fact that he inspired his teammates to one of their best halves of the year.

Cobb suffered a fractured jaw when he and a Trojans defensive player hit helmet-to-helmet.

"When he came to, Joey wanted to go back into the game, but I put my foot down on that," said ULS coach Tracy Sewell after the second-half comeback fell just short as the Knights lost 42-26. "Instead, we sent him to the hospital."

Sewell and his staff wondered how the rest of the team would react to Cobb's injury which came against one of the most physical teams in the Metro Conference.

"We were starry-eyed at the start of the game and played like it in the first half, and then this happened," Sewell said. "We said at halftime that they would either come out like tigers in the second half or sit back and protect themselves."

"The character of this team showed in the second half. They stood up and played a great half of football. The kids know how hard Joey plays and they were going to play the same way. They weren't going to let him down."

Clarenceville led 35-0 at halftime and it looked like the Trojans would be able to coast to the victory, however ULS had other ideas.

Quarterback Antonio Evangelista, who completed 28 of 48 passes for 368 yards and four touchdowns, hit

Jon Wright for touchdown passes of nine, 14 and seven yards to cut the Trojans' lead to 35-21.

After Clarenceville got its only touchdown of the second half, Evangelista and Barré Mackie combined on a 22-yard scoring strike with Mackie diving into the end zone from the two-yard line with 2:35 left in the game.

"We'll have to check (Monday) and see if Tony's arm is still attached," Sewell said. "We were confident that we could throw against (Clarenceville). Tony would have been well over 400 yards if we hadn't dropped eight balls."

"He has developed so much as a quarterback, just since the start of the season. He doesn't force his throws any more. He has a great understanding of the game and takes what the defense is going to give him."

Mackie caught 13 passes for 143 yards and also was the recipient of a couple of

pass interference calls that helped set up ULS touchdowns. Wright had nine receptions for 160 yards.

The Knights had an outstanding defensive performance in the second half, led by Mackie, who had 17 tackles.

"Dan (assistant coach Dan Cimini) did a great job of having people in the right place on defense," Sewell said.

Steve Berger had nine tackles and recovered a fumble, while freshman Charlie Litch continued his fine play with four tackles and a forced fumble.

"We lost, but I'm just so proud of the way our kids stood up to those guys," Sewell said.

ULS closes out the season on Saturday at 1 p.m. when the Knights host Cranbrook Kingswood in a game that matches two of the best quarterbacks in the Metro Conference — Evangelista and the Cranes' Ryan Karolak.

## Ranked rivals beat North swimmers

Grosse Pointe North's girls swimming team dropped a pair of dual meets last week, but the defeats came at the hands of two state powers.

Ann Arbor Pioneer, which was the national high school champion last year and is ranked No. 1 in the state in Division I this season, beat the Norsemen 118-65.

North's Carolyn Jacobs won the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 backstroke. The 200 medley relay team of Jacobs, Lauren Hanna, Maggie Eugenio and Martha Everett achieved a Division I state qualifying time.

North had season-best

times from Eugenio, Everett, Ashley Wynne, Megan Peters and Kristen Engle in the 50 freestyle; Wynne, Everett, Samantha Obell and Engle in the 100 freestyle; Juliana Schmidt and Engle, 200 freestyle; Anne Kopf and Lindsey Kurtz, 500 freestyle; Melissa Cleary, Eugenio, Meredith Moore and Neely Sullivan, 100 butterfly; and Jacobs, 200 IM.

Earlier, North lost 126-54 to Farmington Our Lady of Mercy, which is ranked fourth in Division I.

Jacobs won the 100 backstroke and Hanna was first

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## Knights are second in state girls tennis tournament

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

A lot of teams would be delighted to take a second-place trophy home from a state tournament.

However, there was a tinge of disappointment when University Liggett School's girls tennis team accepted the runner-up trophy at last weekend's Division IV state championships in Holland.

"I'm disappointed for the girls," said coach Chuck Wright. "They didn't want to be the ones to end the streak, but we still came home with a trophy. We won some close matches and we lost some close ones."

"Losing a couple of three-set matches in the first round hurt. Those could have gone either way."

Detroit Country Day ended ULS's string of nine straight state championships. The Yellowjackets, who tied the Knights in a dual meet and lost to them by two points in the regional, had 23 points. ULS and Kalamazoo Christian tied for second with 20 points.

The Knights' No. 2 doubles team of Chrissie Keersmaekers and Calle Shumaker repeated as state champions in their flight.

Keersmaekers and Shumaker, who were the top seeds in the flight, beat Kalamazoo Christian's Amy Kool and Sarah Plaisier 6-7(4), 6-3, 6-4 in the championship match.

## South

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tremendous. He recognized who to throw to because of where (defensive) people were.

"He has really elevated his game in the last few weeks."

Although it looked like it might be an easy win for the Blue Devils at that point, McLeod's prophecy came true. The Crusaders weren't going to quit.

LCN scored on its next two possessions. Darren Legato scored on a 25-yard run, and Jeffrey Lindsay ran four yards for a touchdown to cut South's lead to 34-21 with 6:20 to go.

The Crusaders attempted an onside kick but South's Zac Hacias scooped up the loose ball and raced 50 yards for the touchdown.

LCN came right back and scored on a 44-yard pass from Steve Brandon that glanced off a South defender and into the hands of Lindsay with 5:43 remaining in the game.

The Blue Devils got the ball at the LCN 45 after another onside kick and marched to the Crusaders' 19 before turning the ball over on downs with 2:48 to play.

LCN drove 81 yards in eight plays, scoring on a 34-yard pass from Brandon to Lindsay to cut South's lead to 42-35 with 1:16 left.

Then lightning struck again for the Blue Devils. LCN tried another onside kick and this time Jenzen returned it 45 yards for his fourth touchdown of the game.

"I've only seen three onside kicks returned for touchdowns, and two of them came in this game," McLeod said.

South again had excellent play from its special teams, led by Chuck Smith, James Cotzias and Peltz, who each made some jarring tackles.

Parchment played a strong two-way game, while center Evan Wouters had his best game of the season.

The Blue Devils close out the regular season on Friday night at Grosse Pointe North. McLeod isn't letting the Norsemen's 2-6 record fool him.

"They're a dangerous animal," he said. "Forget their record. That's a pretty good football team that can make its season by beating us."

"Chrissie and Calle are both very competitive and they're good athletes," Wright said. "They'll chase anything down."

"I'm sure that playing together for a couple of years helps them, too."

Keersmaekers and Shumaker also had a tough match in the semifinals when they beat Lansing Catholic Central's Monica Parker and Maria Starnak 6-4, 7-5.

ULS had finalists in two other flights.

Holly Huth, who was the runner-up in No. 1 singles last year, lost a close match in the finals when Kalamazoo Christian's Sarah Bauss beat her 7-5, 7-6(3).

Last year, Huth beat Bauss in a three-set match in the semifinals.

"Holly played well to get to the finals, and (the championship match) was a great match with a lot of strategy on both sides," Wright said.

Even though she was disappointed in the outcome, Wright was proud of Huth.

"She handled herself with class and dignity," he said.

The No. 3 doubles team of Allison Jones and Katie Boccaccio also reached the championship match where they lost 6-3, 7-6(4) to Almont's Becca Hopkins and Jessica Zacharski.

"They had a great match in the semifinals (a 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 win over Buchanan's Hannah Flood and Megan Vylonis)," Wright said.

"They played well all year."

Freshman Sam Troyanovich advanced to the semifinals before losing 6-2, 7-5 to Chelsea Fosse of North Muskegon. Fosse went on to win the flight.

Troyanovich won easily in her first match, then posted a 6-3, 2-6, 7-5 win over fourth-seeded Sarah Jelsema of Grandville Calvin Christian.

"Sam lost a 5-2 lead in the third set, but she hung tough and pulled it out," Wright said. "She did a nice job of attacking. She went to the net all the time."

The No. 4 doubles team of Emily Davis and Kelly King also made it to the semifinals where they lost 7-5, 6-1 to Sarah Goote and Jackie Paauf of Calvin Christian.

"They won easily in their first two matches," Wright said.

The Knights' other points came from Rachel Costello at No. 2 singles. Costello won her first match 6-2, 6-0, then lost to top-seeded Anna Gunderson of Whitehall 6-3, 6-4. Gunderson also went on to win the flight.

"Rachel played well against the No. 1 seed," Wright said. "It's tough being unseeded because you have to play all the best players."

Wright said that he was pleased with the season.

"This was a close team and the chemistry was terrific," he said. "For most people this would be a great season."

## Norsemen try to forget loss to Stallions

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's football team would like to forget last week's 28-12 loss to Sterling Heights, and coach Frank Sumner knows just how his squad can do that.

But it's going to be a tall order.

"If we win this week, nobody will remember that we lost last week or the week before," Sumner said. "But it's going to be tough. South is a good football team that is playing well. They're where we want to be."

The Norsemen will host playoff-bound Grosse Pointe South on Friday at 7 p.m. A victory for the 2-6 Norsemen over the 6-2 Blue Devils would make North's season.

"That's why I like playing this game at the end of the season," Sumner said. "It gives us something to look forward to, and it gives us the chance to end the season on a positive note."

Once again, turnovers were North's biggest problem against Sterling Heights in the Macomb Area Conference crossover game.

The Stallions' last three touchdowns as they built a

28-0 lead with 2:29 to go in the third were a result of turnovers by the Norsemen.

Sterling Heights opened the scoring with a 68-yard pass play on the first play from scrimmage.

North had its chances early in the game. A fumbled snap cost the Norsemen a first down in one drive. Another fumble ended a drive after Chad Beskange intercepted a Sterling Heights pass.

"We moved the ball but we had turnovers or dropped passes," Sumner said. "I'm pleased that the kids never quit. They kept battling."

The Norsemen scored both of their touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

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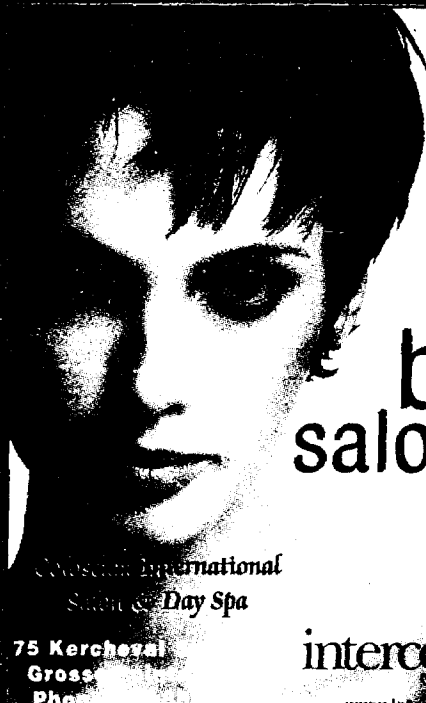


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## South team, North freshman takes firsts in MAC Red meet

Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North both had reason to celebrate after last weekend's Macomb Area Conference Red Division girls cross country meet.

The Blue Devils won the team championship with an impressive 30 points as their first five runners finished in the top eight. South won the dual meet championship with a 5-0 record.

North freshman Betsy Graney took first place overall in 19:11 to earn most valuable honors in the division.

North was second in the team standings with 60 points, followed by Eisenhower 78, Sterling Heights 90, Romeo 103, Dakota 145 and Stevenson 167.

Maggie Collison led South's runners with a fourth-place finish in a season-best 19:32. Liz Baxter was fifth in 19:59, Liz Petit sixth in 20:04, and Natalie Humphry seventh in 20:06. All four made the all-league first team.

Megan Zaranek was eighth in 20:12 and made the all-league second team.

In addition to Graney, who made the first team and posted the fastest time ever by a North freshman, the

Norsemen had Hannah Clor and Kelly Szymborski made the all-league second team.

"Hannah Clor stepped up and ran like I have been expecting her to," said North coach Scott Cooper. "She has done a great job all season, but I have always thought there was more in her. She showed that Saturday. I know she can accomplish even more before the season is over."

"It was good to see Szymborski getting her times back down. She had been struggling with some severe leg pain, but she seemed to have that under control and once again ran a tough, strong race. She has been the backbone of this year's team."

Patricia Winterfield and Jenny Bohannon rounded out North's top five. Katie Horne and Melissa Ciaravino completed the Norsemen's lineup.

"Jenny Bohannon moved up to the No. 5 spot with a race that was 1:30 better than her last best race," Cooper said. "Every time I saw her she was pushing the pace and passing people. She is a great competitor and it looks like she wants to stay in the top varsity group."

South's junior varsity runners were outstanding again as they took the first six places, 11 of the top 15 spots and 20 of the first 30.

Sam Mackenzie led the way in the JV race with a winning time of 20:35. She was followed by Kat Carmody (20:49), Iris Alao (21:13), Erica Menchl (21:30), Lauren McLaughlin (21:34) and Sarah Petit (21:35).

The Blue Devils had 30 season-best performances and for the first time this season, all 80 girls ran under 30 minutes.

Season-best times came from Emily Franchett, Jessica Palffy, Becca Scholtes, Sarah Stanczyk, Laura Lovasco, Olga Filippova, Heather Lockhart, Sandy Chu, Kate Swenson, Julie Howe, Allison Kennedy, Genna Hall, Kathleen Sholtz, Nicole Johnson, Sara Forni, Amber Gellert, Alexis Miller, Amy Carion, Eileen Fitzgerald, Lindsay Krall, Rachel Carion, Lauren Sklarski, Ann Milazzo,

Megan Hoban, Sarah Mulheron, Jane Singelyn, Laura Richter, Sarah Domin, Rachel Visger, Ashley Warner and Destiny Sheldon.

North also had some fine performances in the JV race.

Liz Rabidoux, Jennie Brescoll, Karen Koski and Allison Mikula each ran times that would have put them in the top seven if they had run the varsity race.

"These girls have been pushing the pace in workouts and now they are reaping the rewards of that hard work," Cooper said. "We have about 12 girls who realistically have a shot at being in the top seven for the state finals if we qualify our team out of the regional. They all want a shot at it, but only seven can go."

"The best thing about this group of girls is their attitude and character. They are all terrific competitors and all want to be that top seven runner, but they all root for each other and push each other on. They have all supported one another, and I think this is what makes them so good. They all truly love to run and love to compete, and the support they show for each other has held them together as a team."

Nearly the entire North squad posted personal records.

"This is the time of the season that you want to see their best efforts, and that is exactly what I am getting out of this team," Cooper said. "Liz Bryk and Marie LaCombe are two runners who are running PRs, and those times are eight to nine minutes better than their times at the beginning of the season."

Cooper also praised several of his seniors.

"I had given several of the seniors goals for this season to accomplish in this race," he said. "Kim Gawe, Amy and Katie Kilimas, Jessica Parsh, Margaret Schichtle, Katie Rabidoux and Jennifer Smith all accomplished their goal and earned their varsity letters because of it."

"Jessica Parsh decided not only to accomplish the goal that I gave her, but beat it by two minutes. Katie Rabidoux reached a goal that she had set for herself when she was a freshman. She has worked extremely hard all four years and it was exciting to see Katie come on strong at the end of her career."

Racing at Saturday's regional will begin at 10:30 a.m.



Runners battle for position in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division cross country races.

Photos by Lori Wilson

## MAC Red

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and O'Donnell-Daudlin were 15th and 16th.

"The top six guys were 32 seconds apart, and that is tough to get around in team distance running," Wise said. "The kids worked real hard last week in preparation for for next week's regional, and we thought they might be flat."

"If we can get a little better for next weekend, South has a shot at their 14th straight appearance at the state finals."

Although his North team finished third after being runner-up to Sterling Heights in the dual meet season, coach Pat Wilson was happy with the way his squad ran.

"We ran great," Wilson said. "We ran the way you're supposed to run, but so did South. They had a great meet, and they had the runners to go with (Sterling Heights') top guys."

"I can't be disappointed. We had some nice drops from key guys, everybody had their best times this year, and 23 of our 28 runners had PRs."

Robbie Fisher was fourth overall in 16:37, setting a freshman record, to lead the North runners. Dave Watson finished 10th in 17:07 which was a 30-second drop from his previous best and a minute and a half better than his best time in 2002.

Although he was still recovering from an illness, Stefan Cross managed to finish within a second of his best time last year.

Another freshman, Alex Davenport had a PR of 17:24 and also broke the previous record for North ninth graders. Mike Pokladek had a 30-second drop, and Eric Burton also had a major drop to a PR of 17:34.

Dave Secord had his best time of the season, and Wilson is looking for him to improve even more by Saturday's regional, which will also be at Metropolitan Beach.

"Dave's pattern has been to have a huge drop for the regional," Wilson said.

North took the first three places in the junior varsity race with Kevin Kwiatkowski, who went under 18 minutes for the first time with a 17:55, John Joseph and John Bremer.

Other PRs from North runners were posted by Nate Loree, Drew Fayad, Tony Capizzo, Paul Smith, Matt Romanelli, Andy Van Egmond, Rob Ingalls, Jeff Kurtz, Casey Fulton, Mike Konkel, Zach Hoffman, Arnov Moudgil, Matt Gielegheem, Kyle Lechner and DeAndre Henderson.

Earlier, in the dual meet showdown for first place in the MAC Red, Sterling Heights beat North 24-33.

The Stallions took four of the first five places, with Fisher cracking the Sterling Heights group with a third place.

Davenport, who was sixth, ran a 17:59 to break 18 minutes for the first time.

Other North PRs came from Capizzo, Smith, Van Egmond, Romanelli, Moudgil and Kyle Kwiatkowski.



## MISCA meet good for South

Last weekend's Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet at Eastern Michigan University was a productive one for Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team.

The Blue Devils qualified two individuals and another

relay team for the state Division I meet with their performances in the MISCA meet.

Sophomores Kim Grady and Stephanie Johnson achieved state cuts in the 100-yard breaststroke and the 100 butterfly, respectively. Grady was 20th in 1:11.26, and Johnson finished 15th in 1:02.15.

The 200 freestyle relay team, of Grady, Leeann Mocer, Katie Stieler and Greta Wenk finished sixth in the meet with a state-qualifying time of 1:43.69.

Earlier, the 400 freestyle relay team also qualified for the state.

Other South participants at the MISCA meet were Mocer (14th) and Stieler (25th) in the 50 freestyle; the 200 medley relay team of Emily Richardson-Rossbach, Grady, Johnson and Wenk was 19th; and the 400 freestyle relay team of Mocer, Tina Jasin, Stieler and Wenk was 17th.

Earlier, South swam to a 138-38 victory over Dakota in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

The Blue Devils swept five individual events and scored two teams in each relay.

Coach Shawn Kornoelje used the meet to display the various skills of his swimmers.

Wenk won the 200 individual medley, followed by Samantha John and Morgan Laney. John was first in the 100 backstroke with Kim Stevens third and Erica Schumann fourth.

Freshman Amanda Palffy led the field in the 100 butterfly, while JoAnn Matthews and Lindsay Vandenbroeck were second and third.

Underclassmen dominated in the 100 freestyle also

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Sean Fletcher scored on a 45-yard run to cap a five-play, 76-yard drive.

Fletcher scored North's second touchdown on a 15-yard pass from Josh Lewis. The Norsemen covered 71 yards in four plays in that drive. North picked up 28 yards on a reverse pass from Steve Cornillie to Zach Matthews, 15 yards on a run by Fletcher, and a 24-yard run by Cam Cecchini.

Fletcher led the Norsemen with 81 yards in nine carries.

Jacob Bloomhuff led North with 11 tackles, including four solo stops. Dan Minturn had eight tackles, Anthony Jantz and Montez Lowery had seven apiece, and Beskange and Don Thill were each in on six stops.

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## North booters start district with a win

Grosse Pointe North's soccer team began state district tournament play this week with a 2-0 victory over Roseville.

Dan Gassel and Jose Ruesta scored for North, which improved to 13-2-3 overall.

Anthony DiLoreto recorded his 11th shutout.

Earlier, Bryan Bennett scored a pair of goals to lead the Norsemen to a 3-0 victory over Grosse Pointe South in a Macomb Area Conference White Division match.

Shane Davisson also scored for North, which finished 6-1-3 in the division.

DiLoreto was in goal for his 10th shutout of the season.

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University Liggett School students Erin Deane and Katie Boccaccio are members of the Detroit Women's Rowing Association junior program.

## Local rowers earn more medals

The medal count continues to grow for the Detroit Women's Rowing Association.

After winning three medals in its last two regattas, the group now has six gold medals, four silver and two bronze for its efforts this season.

At the Head of the Ohio Regatta in Pittsburgh, the Women's Masters Four plus coxswain won a silver medal. The crew was coxswain Maegan Anderman, stroke Renee Adams, Schulte, Marie Guerrero, Libby Irwin and

bow Sarah Hensien.

Earlier in the day, Irwin and Schulte stroked their way to a bronze medal in doubles, despite 22 mph wind and a torrential downpour.

In the Tim Horton's Head of the Thames Regatta in London, Ontario, the DWRA Masters Women's four plus coxswain stormed past four boats on the twisting Thames River course to take a silver medal.

The crew was Anderson, Linda Boyle, T.J. Hessberg, Irwin and Hensien.

The women's doubles crew

of Schulte (bow) and Guerrero (stroke) finished seventh in a 12-boat field.

The DWRA head coach is Chris Moigis.

The DWRA is recruiting Masters crew — 27 and older — women and Junior crew — age 14 and older — girls for the 2004 season.

The group is also looking for corporate sponsorship and equipment donations for next season. Boat donations for the coaching staff, especially for the junior crew, is needed. All donations are tax-deductible.

## Notre Dame football battles state powerhouse DePorres

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

What was a 4-1 start to the season has turned into a 4-4 mark after Notre Dame's football team lost 27-0 to Class C No. 1-ranked Detroit St. Martin dePorres last weekend.

"We didn't play up to our potential, and we had to in order to beat a good team like DePorres," head coach Kevin Nielsen said. "We had some costly turnovers at inopportune times in the game that gave DePorres some great field position."

The Fightin' Irish were able to run the ball, but a lack of a passing game allowed the Eagles to stack the line of scrimmage.

"Our kids played hard, and they came up short," Nielsen said. "All four of our losses have come to teams that will be in the state playoffs."

Coming up for the Notre Dame football team is its season finale on either Thursday or Friday, Oct. 23 or 24, on its home field against Detroit Pershing.

"Pershing will be a tough opponent," Nielsen said. "We need to get our guys focused for one more game, and maybe we can sneak

into the playoffs at 5-4."

### Gymnastics

The Notre Dame gymnastics team placed second in the East Lansing Invitational on Oct. 11.

Hartland won the invitational with 148.1 points, followed by Notre Dame at 127.4, East Lansing with 122.1, Plymouth-Canton with 92.5 and Howell with 52.7.

"Our somewhat inexperienced team gained a lot of self-confidence at this meet knowing they can 'hang' with most of the competition out there," head coach Ken Parent said.

Kevin Roddy, Shane Chetcuti and Damon Kendrick placed third, fourth and sixth on the floor exercise, posting scores of 7.1, 7.0 and 6.8, respectively, while Kendrick, Roddy and Drew Rhodes were fourth, sixth and seventh on the still rings with scores of 7.5, 7.2 and 6.9.

On the pommel horse, Kendrick was third with a score of 7.3, while Chetcuti was fifth and Kevin Adamiak was fifth and sixth with scores of 7.2 and 6.8.

Roddy and Andrzej Czaja

tied for eighth on the pommel horse with a 6.7.

On the vault, Kendrick earned a second place with an 8.3, while Roddy and Chetcuti placed fifth and sixth with scores of 8.1 and 8.0, respectively.

Adamiak was eighth with a score 7.9.

Chetcuti, Kendrick and Adamiak finished fourth, fifth and seventh on the parallel bars with scores of 7.9, 7.3 and 6.8, respectively, while Chetcuti, Kendrick and Adamiak were tied for the fourth and sixth, respectively, on the high bar, posting scores of 5.9 and 5.5.

Kendrick was fourth overall with 43.1 points, and Roddy was fifth overall at 40.6.

### Cross country

The Notre Dame cross country team finished eighth with 226 points in last weekend's Catholic League A-B Division meet at Stoney Creek.

Birmingham Brother Rice and Detroit Catholic Central tied with 49 points, but the Warriors won on the tiebreaker.

U-D Jesuit was third with 91 points, followed by Warren DeLaSalle at 117, Orchard Lake St. Mary's at 119, Dearborn Divine Child at 123, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep at 157 and Notre Dame.

## North wins battle for first in MAC Red Division basketball

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Jennifer DeFauw has become the defensive stopper for Grosse Pointe North's girls basketball team.

The junior guard's defensive work against Port Huron Northern's Mary Kathryn LaFave was one of the keys to North's 51-42 overtime victory against the Huskies in a battle for the top spot in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

"One of the reasons that we've been playing better since the league season started is that Jenny has come along defensively," said North coach Gary Bennett.

"She understands her role and she likes the responsibility that goes with it. Her eyes light up when I tell her that she's going to be guarding the other team's best player. She takes it as a challenge."

LaFave, who is averaging close to 20 points for Northern, managed only 10 against North.

"She had only three baskets and one of those came on transition, which wasn't Jenny's fault," Bennett said. "She also had one when somebody didn't slide over to help out."

"LaFave is a fine player, but you could tell that Jenny had her frustrated."

The defeat was the first in league play for PHN and the win moved the Norsemen into a tie for the league lead as the first half of the season drew to a close.

With one game remaining in the first half, North and PHN were both 5-1 in division play.

The Huskies led 10-4 after the first quarter, but the Norsemen started the second

quarter with a 9-0 run and the first half ended with North leading 19-14.

North maintained a lead throughout the third quarter, and a layup by Andrea Bedway at the buzzer gave the Norsemen a 32-23 advantage.

PHN made its run in the fourth quarter, outscoring North 15-4 to take a 38-36 lead with 1:09 remaining on a basket by Karen Lewis.

The Norsemen tied the game with 45 seconds left when DeFauw, who had six assists, fed Liz Andary for a layup. LaFave missed a shot in the final seconds and North's Katie Kaufmann, who played a strong game, gathered in the rebound.

North quickly regained the lead in the overtime. Andary hit a free throw. Kaufmann hit a pair of free throws, and then made a layup off a feed from Caitlin Bennett, who fouled and converted the three-point play to give the Norsemen a 44-38 advantage.

North hit nine of its first 10 free throws in the extra period.

"I was pleased with how we came out in the overtime," Gary Bennett said. "We showed a lot of poise. We weren't afraid and we let the defense set the tone."

"This was a big win for us, because now Northern has a loss. We can't expect somebody else to beat them if we can't do it ourselves."

Kaufmann finished with 11 points and 10 rebounds. Andary had 11 points, eight rebounds and three steals, and Bennett collected 10 points and three assists.

The Norsemen followed that outstanding performance with a workmanlike 39-24 victory over Sterling Heights.

North's bench played an important role in that game. With the starters struggling a bit in the second quarter, Gary Bennett sent in the second unit of Bedway, Betsy Schrage, Anna Staperfenne, Kelly Rusko and Meghan Potthoff. That group played so well that Bennett started them in the second half.

"We were just OK for most of the first half, but the girls off the bench gave us some defensive energy and enthusiasm," Gary Bennett said. "Sterling Heights was ahead by six and that group cut the lead to one at halftime."

North dominated the second half, outscoring the Stallions 19-3.

"We got quite a few points off our defense," Gary Bennett said. "They played a zone and that slowed things down in the first half, but we picked up the tempo in the second half."

The Norsemen had eight players score, while Sterling Heights had only three break into the scoring column.

"We don't have any superstars on this team, but we have a lot of depth," Gary Bennett said. "It took a few games for us to learn how to use different people, but now everyone is contributing. It has been rewarding the way we've played the last few weeks."

Caitlin Bennett led North with 12 points and also had two assists, and DeFauw finished with seven points. Mary Embree had three steals, three rebounds and two assists, while Rusko also had three steals.

North, now 5-7 overall, begins the second half of the league season at home tonight, Oct. 23, against Utica.

## South gets first league win

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team not only picked up its first victory in the Macomb Area Conference White Division last week, but the Blue Devils gave state-ranked Fraser something to think about for the next time they meet.

"We got some good looks, and we took good shots, but we shot only 24 percent," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute after the 42-31 loss to the unbeaten Ramblers.

The Blue Devils were within five points of Fraser early in the fourth quarter after trailing 23-11 at halftime.

"I think the mystique of playing a team that was ranked in the state and went to the semifinals last year probably affected us in the first half," Van Eckoute said. "We played much better in the second half. I'm very pleased with the effort our kids gave."

That's been the case all season with South. Several coaches in the league have complemented Van Eckoute on the way the Blue Devils have run the offense and the defense.

South's Allison Ambrozy

and Colleen Buckley, with help from Megan Switalski and Rachel Sullivan, did a good job of containing Fraser's Angie McGinnis and Katie Price, who scored 12 points apiece.

"Considering the size differential, holding those two to 12 points is quite an accomplishment," Van Eckoute said.

Switalski had a good all-around game. Along with her defensive play, she scored six points and grabbed four rebounds.

"She wasn't afraid to take the ball to the basket," Van Eckoute said. "A lot of players are intimidated by Price and won't go inside."

Jennifer Marsh led South with eight points and Ambrozy added six.

"Hopefully, the next time we play Fraser we'll come out of the gate a little better because we know that we can compete with them," Van Eckoute said.

"I think that will be the case with a lot of the teams in the league the second time around."

Earlier, South got its first MAC White win of the season by beating Port Huron

48-30.

"We kept the game at a quick pace and I think (Port Huron) were down in the fourth quarter," Van Eckoute said.

The Blue Devils, who led by three points at halftime, outscored the Big Reds by a 14-4 margin in the fourth quarter.

"Port Huron is the fastest team we've played and they handle the ball well," Van Eckoute said.

South had three double figure scorers for the first time this season as Stephanie Kostiuik, Annie Dalby and Kara Peters scored 10 points apiece.

Kostiuik, who shot 5-for-5 from the field, also had three assists.

"We're trying to get her to shoot more," Van Eckoute said. "Only one of her baskets was a layup. Kostiuik and Peters are both coming into their own. They're both adjusting to the jump from JV to varsity."

Dalby had three assists, while Peters had five rebounds and two assists. Buckley finished with four points, seven rebounds and two steals.

## Lancers make quick work of Vikings

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Trinity Catholic's football blasted Detroit Urban Lutheran 68-6 last weekend in its Catholic League crossover game at Hamtramck's Keyworth Stadium.

"We took it right at Urban Lutheran," head coach George Sahadi said. "Now, we sit and wait to see whom we will play in the first round of the playoffs."

Senior running back D'Angelo Lumpkin ran the ball only eight times but gained 212 yards and scored three touchdowns to lead the Lancers.

Sophomore quarterback Anthony Howard passed for 134 yards and three touchdowns, including two of 10 and 86 yards to senior wide receiver Lance Caldwell.

Senior Quintin Washington caught a touchdown pass and returned an interception for a score as the Lancers nearly posted their fifth shutout of the season.

The Trinity Catholic football team ended its regular season 7-1 overall.

Coming up for the Lancers is a bye in week No. 9, and next on the slate is a

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### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF  
GROSSE POINTE PARK:

You are hereby notified that a General Election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County on Tuesday, November 4, 2003 at which time the qualified and registered voters of the City of Grosse Pointe Park may vote for candidates for the following non-partisan offices:

MAYOR  
THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jane M. Blahut,  
CITY CLERK

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# Results, highlights from GPSA house league games

## UNDER-7

**Vikings 3, Panthers 3**  
Goals: Mark Dermanulian, Nicholas Azar, Zachary Thalgot (Vikings); Matthew Barry, Tristan Richardson 2 (Panthers).  
Comments: Panthers Mogk and Matthew Brown gave the Vikings some excellent goaltending, while Spencer Branch and David Szymanski made fine defensive plays, and Brendan Clune passed the ball well.

## UNDER-8

**Sharks 3, Lakers 0**  
Goals: Jimmy Menchl, Ellie Zak, Mimi Teudecki (Sharks).  
Comments: The Lakers started strong but couldn't get the ball past Sharks sweeper Len Schneider and goalie Sam Beckius. The Sharks scored all three of their goals in the second quarter.

**Sharks 4, Eagles 0**  
Goals: Jim Menchl 3, Connor Gilly (Sharks).  
Comments: Ellie Zak played a strong offensive game for the Sharks. Barbara Allor made some good saves in goal for the Eagles, while teammate Savannah Ransome played well on offense.

**Sharks 4, Hurricanes 3**  
Goals: Jimmy Menchl 4 (Sharks); Tory Voss 3 (Hurricanes).  
Assists: Connor Gilly (Sharks); Brian L'Helurex, Henry Solem (Hurricanes).  
Comments: Mimi Teudecki, Sam Buciksy and Ben Schneider played well defensively for the Sharks and Ellie Zak had a good offensive game. Derek Heichlinger played well in goal for the Hurricanes.

**Knights 6, Lightning 2**  
Goals: Robert Bracci 2, Jack Bracci 2, William Kruse, Matthew O'Brien (Knights); Billy Schaber 2 (Lightning).  
Comments: Joe Garvin set up several good scoring chances for the Lightning. O'Brien scored in his first game.

**Mustangs 2, Knights 2**  
Goals: Rudy Bernard 2, (Mustangs); Robert Bracci, William Kruse (Knights).  
Assist: Jack Bracci (Knights).

**Lightning 3, Lakers 1**  
Goals: Joey Garvin, Billy Schaber 2 (Lightning); Alex Valenzano (Lakers).  
Assists: Alicia Lecznar (Lightning).  
Comments: Hadi Shehadeh was a strong playmaker for the Lakers.

**Vikings 8, Neon 0**  
Goals: James Fishback 4, Nicholas Azar 3, Mark Dermanulian (Vikings).  
Comments: William Tomhan and Brendan Clune had outstanding defensive games for the Vikings.

**Eagles 2, Knights 0**  
Goals: Andrew Lock, Joey Lopiccolo (Eagles).  
Assists: Barbara Allor, Sarah Neuenfeldt (Eagles).  
Comments: The Knights battled hard, led by the hustle of Matthew O'Brien and Allison Shimmel, but the Eagles' defense, led by Petrina Allor, Christian Hedman and Lopiccolo, held them scoreless. Barbara Allor's perfect throw-in led to the Eagles' first goal, while Neuenfeldt fed a nice pass to Lopiccolo for the insurance goal late in the game.

**Eagles 4, Cobras 2**  
Goals: Sarah Neuenfeldt, Paulina Perakis, Barbara Allor, Andrew Lock (Eagles).  
Assists: Allor, Neuenfeldt (Eagles).  
Comments: The Cobras did a good job of passing to set up their two goals. The Eagles' Eddie Poggosian was outstanding again on defense.

**Eagles 0, Chragers 0**  
Comments: Both teams were flawless on defense in the scoreless tie.

**Wildcats 4, Devils 1**  
Goals: Adante Provenzano 3, Graham Bromwell (Wildcats).  
Comments: The Wildcats had a fine team effort. Katelyn Kohler came close to scoring several times as a result of her good positioning and aggressive play.

**Wildcats 4, Lightning 1**  
Goals: Adante Provenzano 2, Anthony Simon, Bobby Mulpuri (Wildcats).  
Comments: Carrie Rakowicz had several scoring opportunities for the Wildcats. The Lightning's Sarah McGovern made an outstanding save in goal, while Pearce Reickert held off the Wildcats with some fine defensive plays.

**Sharks 1, Chargers 1**  
Goals: James Menchl (Sharks); Jack Alan (Chargers).  
Comments: Connor Fox made some outstanding saves for the Chargers. Ellie Zak played well offensively.

**Sharks 1, Wildcats 1**  
Goals: James Menchl (Sharks); Anthony Simon (Wildcats).  
Comments: Ellie Zak had a good offensive game for the Sharks, while Mimi Teudecki played excellent defense.

**Sharks 4, Cobras 3**  
Goals: James Menchl 3, Ellie Zak (Sharks); Ryan Armbruster 2, Krista Abiragi (Cobras).  
Assist: Menchl (Sharks).

**Hurricanes 1, Lakers 0**  
Goal: Derek Heichlinger (Hurricanes).  
Assists: Bridgette Champane, Henry Solem (Hurricanes).  
Comments: The game was scoreless until the last four minutes when Champane made a perfect throw-in to Solem, who passed to Heichlinger for the goal. The Lakers stopped several breakaways throughout the game.

**Eagles 4, Lakers 0**  
Goals: Joey Lopiccolo 2, Edvard Poggosian, Andrew Lock (Eagles).  
Assist: Barbara Allor (Eagles).  
Comments: The defensive play of Petrina Allor and Christian Hedman hindered most of the Lakers' offensive attacks. When the Lakers were able to break through the defense, goalkeepers Sarah Neuenfeldt, Poggosian, Lock and Hedman prevented them from scoring. Midfielders Barbara Allor and Lopiccolo kept most of the play in the Eagles' offensive end.

**Eagles 3, Lightning 0**  
Goals: Joey Lopiccolo, Edvard Poggosian, Andrew Lock (Eagles).  
Assist: Savannah Ransome (Eagles).  
Comments: The Eagles' defense, led by Petrina Allor and Christian Hedman, stalled most of the Lightning's offensive attacks. Samantha Stann had an outstanding two-way game for the Lightning, while Jenna Paglino made several strong offensive plays.

**Sheffield 3, Southampton 2**  
Goals: Joe Fisher 3 (Sheffield); Andrew Hartz, George Fishback (Southampton).  
Assists: Alisa Alexsy, Eleni Pitses (Sheffield).  
Comments: Jon Austin Ferri, Joe Fisher 3 (Sheffield); Max Mager 2 (Arsenal).  
Assists: Alisa Alexsy, Eleni Pitses (Sheffield).  
Goals: Andrew Hartz, George Fishback 3 (Southampton); Grant Livingston, Nate Parchman (Blackburn).  
Assists: Brian Taryn, Neala Benkowski, Taryn Smith (Southampton).  
Goals: Megan Bergeron, Robbie Morgan, Sean Hulway (Manchester United).  
Assists: Bergeron, Hulway (Manchester United).  
Comments: Justin Dedeyne played well in goal for Manchester with defensive help from Will Ritchie, Uma Jasty, Eddie Surmont, Justin Rakowicz and Jason Vismara. Alysia Lombardi, Shane Ireland and Austin Costakis displayed excellent footwork.

**Manchester United 4, Coventry 3**  
Goals: Megan Bergeron, Robbie Morgan, Sean Hulway (Manchester United).  
Assists: Bergeron, Hulway (Manchester United).  
Comments: Eddie Surmont and Will Ritchie played well on defense, while Uma Jasty, Dan Mandel, Justin Rakowicz and Austin Costakis were solid at midfield. Manchester received strong forward play from Shane Ireland, Matthew Clune, Alysia Lombardi and Jason Vismara. Justin Dedeyne and Morgan shared the goaltending.

**Manchester United 4, Newcastle 1**  
Goals: Shane Ireland 2, Jason

**Manchester United 5, Nottingham 0**  
Goals: Alysia Lombardi, Sean Hulway, Matthew Clune, Will Ritchie, Eddie Surmont (Manchester United).  
Comments: Justin Dedeyne and Robbie Morgan combined for the shutout with the help of fine defensive plays by Uma Jasty, Justin Costakis, Dan Mandel and Austin Rakowicz. Megan Bergeron, Jason Vismara and Shane Ireland passed the ball well.

**Manchester United 1, Nottingham 0**  
Goal: Matthew Clune (Manchester).  
Assist: Shane Ireland (Manchester).  
Comments: Both teams played well. Sean Hulway, Jason Vismara and Alysia Lombardi were quick on their feet, while Uma Jasty, Megan Bergeron, Justin Dedeyne, Robbie Morgan, Daniel Mandel and Justin Rakowicz reacted well to the ball. Will Ritchie and Eddie Surmont had excellent corner kicks.

**Manchester United 4, Aston Villa 1**  
Goals: Eddie Surmont, Will Ritchie, Sean Hulway, Megan Bergeron (Manchester).  
Assists: Matthew Clune 2, Uma Jasty, Eddie Surmont.  
Comments: It was the best game of the season for Manchester United, which received excellent goaltending from Jason Vismara and Robbie Morgan.

**Leeds 3, Nottingham 2**  
Goals: Patrick Kuchta 2, Norman Bird (Leeds).  
Assists: Conor McElanahan (Leeds).  
Comments: Bird's late goal broke a 2-2 tie.

**UNDER-12**  
**Wild Wolverines 4, St. Clair Shores One 0**  
Goals: Annalisa Porvenzano, Bobby Cleary, Drew Dettlinger, Joseph Simon (Wild Wolverines).  
Assists: Provenzano, Natalie Peracchio, Dominic Jammatt, Dettlinger (Wild Wolverines).  
Comments: Hayley Altshuler, Charlotte Ford and Kathryn LaLonde, turned in an outstanding offensive effort as the Wild Wolverines opened the season with a victory. Emily Ubik, Nic Howard and Nicole Seremetis played well defensively. Robbie Squiers and Jammatt shared the goaltending and the shutout. Horst Finkbeiner and Jose Carillo played well for St. Clair Shores 1.

**Wild Wolverines 7, St. Clair Shores Four 2**  
Goals: Drew Dettlinger 2, Joseph Simon, Charlotte Ford, Annalisa Provenzano, Louie Saravolatz, Dominic Jammatt (Wild Wolverines); William Carson 2 (St. Clair Shores 4).  
Assists: Ford, Simon, Dettlinger, Natalie Peracchio, Emily Ubik, Robbie Squiers, Jammatt (Wild Wolverines); Henry Ellsworth, Justin Schultz (St. Clair Shores 4).  
Comments: The Wolverines' passing was the difference in the game against the physically larger St. Clair Shores team. The Wolverines got outstanding goaltending from Squiers and solid defense from Bobby Cleary, Nicole Seremetis and Sam Saravolatz. St. Clair Shores players Jimmy Finnegan and Michael Howland made several outstanding defensive plays and also set up some fine offensive drives.

**Wild Wolverines 3, GPSA Three 0**  
Goals: Hayley Altshuler, Drew Dettlinger, Annalisa Provenzano (Wild Wolverines).  
Assists: Bobby Cleary, Kathryn LaLonde, Dominic Jammatt (Wild Wolverines).  
Comments: Altshuler's goal was her first of the season. Defenders Alexa Cleary, Emily Ubik, Nick Howard and Jammatt, along with sweeper Natalie Peracchio did an outstanding job for the Wolverines. Goalkeeper Robbie Squiers earned his second shutout with some excellent play. Midfielders Louie Saravolatz, Sam Saravolatz, Nicole Seremetis and Joseph Simon played very well. GPSA 3 forwards Sean Seaman and Mike Harp gave the Wolverines problems with their drives and shots. Nick Drake was a wall on defense and broke up several Wild Wolverines plays.

**Wild Wolverines 6, Roseville Three 1**  
Goals: Joseph Simon 2, Dominic Jammatt 2, Louie Saravolatz, Nick Howard (Wild Wolverines).  
Assists: Bobby Cleary, Drew Dettlinger, Howard, Simon (Wild Wolverines).  
Comments: Howard's goal was his first of the season. Natalie Peracchio made her debut in goal. Midfielder Nicole Seremetis and forward Alexa Cleary had outstanding games.

**Wild Wolverines 4, St. Clair Shores Two 0**  
Goals: Natalie Peracchio, Joseph Simon (Wild Wolverines).  
Assists: Drew Dettlinger, Hayley Altshuler, Nick Howard, Bobby Cleary (Wild Wolverines).  
Comments: Both teams made excellent plays in the back-and-forth game. The Wild Wolverines' Dominic Jammatt recorded his first solo shutout, despite playing with a sprained thumb. Also playing well for the Wolverines were Nicole Seremetis, Emily Ubik, Charlotte Ford, Hayley Altshuler, Alexa Cleary, Kathryn LaLonde and Annalisa Provenzano. Howard set up two goals with excellent corner kicks. Dettlinger played well at center-forward. Chad Gates and Hassan Abdullah had excellent games at forward for St. Clair Shores.

**Wild Wolverines 5, GPSA Four 0**  
Goals: Drew Dettlinger 2, Kathryn LaLonde, Sam Saravolatz, Joseph Simon (Wild Wolverines).  
Assists: Dettlinger 2, Saravolatz 2 (Wild Wolverines).  
Comments: The Wild Wolverines improved to 5-0 as they overcame an outstanding effort by the GPSA 4 squad. Midfielder Louie Saravolatz and forward Hayley Altshuler played their best games of the season. The Wolverines got a strong defensive effort from Nic Howard, Natalie Peracchio, Emily Ubik and Alexa Cleary. Robbie Squiers and Dominic Jammatt alternated between defense and goalkeeper and shared the shutout. GPSA 4 defender David Meza broke up several Wild Wolverine drives, while Michael Gilbert was outstanding at forward. Jerren Goodwyn turned in a fine effort in holding the Wolverines to one goal in the first half. Bobby Sullivan and Alexandra Pappas also played well and displayed good sportsmanship.

**GP Unit 9, Roseville One 1**  
Goals: Billy Sessions, Sherif Rizk, Scott Stevens, Eric Jorgenson, Adam Dyras, (GP Unit); David Kubacki, Buffy Savage, Michael Van Tiem (GP Unit).  
Assists: Sessions 2, Rizk, Eric Osaer 2, Matt Kiehler (GP Unit).  
Comments: Danny Surmont, Geordan Garza and Mark Balle did a good job of feeding the ball to create scoring opportunities.

**GP Unit 3, St. Clair Shores One 1**  
Goals: Matt Kiehler 2, Mark Balle (GP Unit).  
Assists: David Kubacki, Eric Osaer, Billy Sessions (GP Unit).  
Comments: GP Unit had nimble goaltending from Brady Savage and Eric Jorgenson. Adam Dyras, Geordan Garza, Danny Surmont and Scott Stevens provided solid defense. Sherif Rizk and Lauren Bielak made some nice passes to the front line of Jake Donahue and Michael Van Tiem.

## Red Barons win thriller with East Detroit

There have been several exciting finishes in the 50-year history of the Grosse Pointe Red Barons youth football team, but few can top what happened recently against East Detroit.

"It was quite an ending," said Barons varsity coach Brett Kurily after his team's 22-20 victory at Grosse Pointe South.

Yes, it was. When James Costa scored on an eight-yard run with 3:23 remaining to give the Barons a 22-14 lead, it looked like they would put the game away with a two-point conversion kick by Tim Tibaud, who rarely misses. This time, however, the snap was bad, and Tibaud never got a chance to kick.

East Detroit drove down the field and faced a fourth-and-goal from the eight-yard line with fewer than 40 seconds remaining. Kyle Lewis took a handoff and fought his way into the end zone to make it 22-20 with 32 seconds left.

The Tiger Cats then apparently tied the game with a successful two-point kick. But wait. While East Detroit was celebrating, the referee counted the players on the field and penalized the Tiger Cats for having 12 men on the field for the conversion attempt.

After a five-yard penalty, they tried again, but the kick was blocked by the Barons' Reid Fragel to preserve the victory.

"Fragel's job was to open

up a hole so someone could try to block the kick," Kurily said. "He not only opened a hole, but he carved a hole for himself. He is not only the tallest kid on our team but he's also one of the biggest. He did a nice job."

So did the Barons' offensive line, which helped the team gain more than 300 total yards, including 200 on the ground.

"Our objective was not only to create holes for backs, but we also were focusing on downfield blocking," Kurily said. "We had a commitment to get downfield blocking, and they did a great job."

Among the linemen who impressed Barons were Will Socia, J.D. St. John, Robby Mullinger, Tibaud, Frank Ferretti, Tim Quinn, Dan Malfouris and Ben Maters.

The Barons (4-2) got touchdown runs from Costa and Steven Reaume. The other score came on an excellent catch in the end zone by Joey Kurily on a pass from quarterback Mark Riashi.

Riashi had another strong game, and for the first time, Kurily allowed him to call most of his own plays.

"He did a nice job calling plays. He kept their defense off balance," the coach said.

Riashi also displayed his accurate arm, completing two key passes to Jimmy Saros.

Defensively, Kurily singled out the play of ends Blake Beddow, Jason

Malouff and Kyle Martin, defensive back Jack Monark and nose tackle Pat Pawlowski, the smallest but one of the toughest players on the team.

**Junior varsity**  
Despite a 45-19 loss to East Detroit, there were some bright spots for the Barons junior varsity.

Anthony Riashi, playing quarterback for the first time, threw three touchdown passes.

"I thought he did a good job," coach Doug Luttenberger said. "For his first time, he did well."

Riashi threw touchdown passes of 28 and 25 yards to Joey Dempsey, and an eight-yarder to Chris Shirar. Shirar also punted well in the game.

Luttenberger also praised the work of linemen Dave Leonard, Charles Thornton and Sean Koerber, and the hard hits applied by line-backer Dimitri Avouris.

**Freshmen**  
There are a lot of reasons why the Barons freshmen have won four games in a row, including a 27-6 victory over a very good East Detroit squad.

The offensive line is creating holes. The runners are gaining tough yards, and the defense is shutting down opponents.

The team is also playing with spirit and aggressiveness. And no one exhibits that style more than line-backer Cooper Hartman.

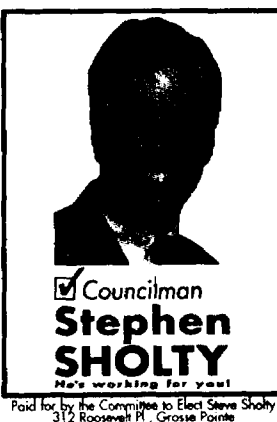
The team's hardest hitter,

Hartman has become a leader by example. "As usual, Hartman was terrific," coach Tony Cimmarrusti said. "He is just a great competitor and he's fearless."

Terrific was a word to describe the Barons' performance against East Detroit.

On defense, Mike Abiragi, Scott Posada, Alex O'Neill, Scotty Boynton, Ben Shaum, Chad Tech, Ben Fry and Connor Ray had especially strong games. Abiragi,

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City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

### NOTICE OF CITY GENERAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a City Election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003

at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

- 1 MAYOR (Two-year term)
- 3 COUNCIL MEMBERS (Four-year term)
- 1 MUNICIPAL JUDGE (Four-year term)

The polling place for said election is:

MAIRE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM  
740 Cadieux Road  
(Between Kercheval & Waterloo)

Polls for said election will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Julie E. Arthurs.  
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# Lutheran East beats Lutheran North in Metro football action

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Lutheran East football team had lost some heartbreakers this season, but last weekend it erased the bad memories by beating arch rival Macomb Lutheran North 15-6.

"It was a fun victory," head coach Don Justice said. "We were able to run the ball on North, and our defense did an outstanding job of limiting North's explosive offense."

The visiting Eagles scored first when senior wide receiver Robert Carlisle caught a five-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Tom Kempinski.

They added the two-point conversion to lead 8-0, which held up to halftime.

A muffed punt allowed the Mustangs to grab excellent field position at the Eagles' 30-yard line, and several plays later they scored to make it 8-6.

"North went for the two-point conversion but missed,

and we still had the lead," Justice said. "I told our kids to stay focused because we knew North would have to cheat a little bit on defense in order to stop us."

North's defense held East off the scoreboard, and it was senior defensive back Scott Sell's 40-yard interception return for a touchdown with two minutes left in the fourth quarter that gave East some breathing room.

Justice called for an extra point, which split the uprights, giving the Eagles a huge nine-point lead.

"The extra point was big because it would have forced North to score twice in the final two minutes to beat us," Justice said.

Kempinski recovered the ensuing onside kick, but East was still forced to punt.

Once again Kempinski came up big, intercepting a pass that sealed the victory.

"We have had some tough losses this season, but beating North put a lot more fun into our season," Justice

said.

Senior running back Matt Johnston rushed the ball 29 times for 170 yards. He is inching closer to the 1,000 yard plateau for the season.

"It would be nice to see Matt rush for 1,000 yards," Justice said. "He has a great chance to get the milestone, and we have a good shot to win our final three games if we focus on playing well against Hamtramck."

The Lutheran East football team improved to 3-4 in the Metro Conference and 3-5 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is their regular season finale on Friday, Oct. 24, at home against Hamtramck.

## Basketball

Head coach Mike Murphy couldn't have been happier last week when his Lutheran East girls basketball team played only one game.

"We have so many girls banged up that they needed

a break, and having a week between games will help us heal," Murphy said.

The host Eagles pummeled Lutheran South 53-7 as sophomore Crystal Pendell led the team with 11 points.

"We called Crystal up from the junior varsity team since we didn't play a JV game against South," Murphy said. "We brought a couple of girls up so our starters could get more rest."

Senior Ashley Schult scored nine points, followed by junior Qumisha Goss with eight points.

The Eagles jumped out to a 12-1 first-quarter lead and led 22-5 at the half.

Lutheran South scored only two second-half points.

"We were able to get

everyone into the game," Murphy said. "Now that it's over, we can get back to icing our injured players, and start preparing for the rest of our next game."

The Lutheran East basketball team improved to 6-8 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is a home game on Oct. 28, against Harper Woods.

## Cross country

The Lutheran East boys cross country team finished fifth, and the girls were sixth in last weekend's Metro Conference meet at Lutheran Westland.

"Our kids ran an excellent race," head coach Keith Sprow said. "Almost all of our kids had a personal best, which was great at such a tough meet."

The Metro Conference has some of the top cross country runners in the state, and East's Matt McCuen led the way for the team with a personal best time of 20:03.

Chris Jurczak ran a personal best 20:18, as did Eddie Parrott at 21:30, Josh Rockensuess at 22:58 and Alex Maynard at 27:40.

Josh Benoit ran a 23:28 to help the boys team, which finished sixth overall in the Metro Conference.

For the girls, Amanda Cain had a 25:25, and Michelle Galinski had a 32:30.

"The kids improved throughout the season, and if they run this well in our regional meet, then we might be able to get a couple to the state finals," Sprow said.

## Barons

From page 7D

Posada and Shaum each recovered fumbles, while Jon Parker intercepted a pass.

Offensively, the Barons moved the ball well on the ground.

"The offensive line keeps getting better and better," Cimmarrusti said. "The tight ends and wingbacks are really opening some holes."

Cimmarrusti praised tight ends John Laciura, Marty Moesta, Max Kasier, Michael Houff, and all the wingbacks, especially Skippy Faber. Scott Adelson, Andrew Safran, Matt Starrs and Mitch Vermet were among the offensive linemen praised.

Faber scored on runs of two and three yards. John Blanzzy scored on a 12-yard run and Jimmy Guest ran six yards for a touchdown.

"We knew as we got experience we would get better," Cimmarrusti said. "And we have gotten better."

## Farms boxing promoter owns middleweight title

It was redemption time for Detroit boxer Rubin Williams and vindication time for his owner and manager, John Carlisle of Grosse Pointe Farms.

With legendary Kronk boxing mentor Emanuel Stewart in his corner, Williams, 21-1, pounded out a ninth-round TKO over Tony Menefee, 74-17-1, of Nebraska.

Williams' win last week at the DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center in Warren came just four months following his first loss at Joe Louis Arena when a lucky punch by Colombian Epifanio Mendoza KO'd Williams in the first round.

At the ESPN2-televized round at "The Joe" in June, Carlisle, a prominent Farms attorney and boxing entrepreneur, saw two of three undefeated boxers, Rydell Booker and Leo Nolan, retain their unbeaten streak

while Williams was left wondering what happened.

But last Friday, Williams listened to the sage advice of Stewart, who told the boxer to slow down, that he was not going to score an early KO over the veteran Nebraskan.

In fact, Williams put his opponent down in the first round, but Menefee refused to stay down and doggedly kept standing.

Williams' victory earned him the North American Federation of Boxing junior middleweight title.

The trio of Williams, Booker and Nolan, who began as Team Cannon, make up Carlisle's newly formed Team Detroit.

Last week's bout, along with the televised rounds at Joe Louis Arena, was sponsored by Four Corners Productions, a professional boxing promotions company based in Detroit.

— John Minnis

### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION to be held TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, on Tuesday, November 4, 2003 from 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

#### COUNCIL MEMBER

(Vote For Not More Than Four (4))

Therese M. Joseph  
Joseph T. Leonard  
Doug Roby  
Frances L. Schonenberg  
Eric M. Turin  
Peter W. Waldmeir

#### MAYORAL NOMINATION

(Vote For Not More Than One (1))

Charles S. Terry Davis III  
James C. Farquhar, Jr.  
Therese M. Joseph  
Joseph T. Leonard

#### PROPOSALS

##### PROPOSAL A

#### JOSEPH AMENDMENT MAYORAL ELECTION PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

This initiative proposal amends Sections 3.5 and 4.4 to permit the voters at each regular city election to elect a Mayor for a 2-year term. This proposal would replace the current requirement that the Mayor be selected by the City Council from among its members. While the Council will continue to consist of a Mayor and six other Council members, the number of Council members elected at each regular city election would be reduced from four to three (to compensate for the change in the election of the Mayor).

Should the Joseph Amendment be adopted?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

##### PROPOSAL B

#### CITY COUNCIL MAYORAL ELECTION PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

This proposal by City Council amends Section 3.5 and 4.4 to permit the voters at each regular city election to elect a Mayor for a 2-year term. This proposal replaces the current requirement that the Mayor be selected by Council from among its members, but retains the current procedure for electing four members of Council at each election. The Council will continue to consist of a Mayor and six other Council members. To be elected Mayor, a candidate also must be elected to Council or be a continuing member of Council.

Should the City Council Mayoral Election Proposal be adopted?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

AND,

##### PROPOSAL C

#### CITY COUNCIL AUTOMATIC SUCCESSION PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

This proposal by City Council amends Sections 4.5 and 5.4 to provide for the automatic succession by the Mayor Pro Tem. To the Office of Mayor caused by the death, resignation or extended absence or disability of the Mayor.

Should the Automatic Succession Proposal be adopted?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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## Regina's Dinicu wins one match at state tennis finals

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Freshman Jackie Dinicu got to taste the state finals last weekend, competing in the Division II tournament.

Dinicu won her first-round match, defeating East Lansing's Colette Buckberry 6-1, 6-1, but her season ended with a 6-3, 6-2 loss to No. 3 seed Emily Dudzik of Greenville.

The Saddlelites' freshman phenom won all but two of her matches this season, which included taking a gold medal at the highly competitive Catholic League A-B Division Tournament.

### Cross country

Regina's cross country team placed fifth with 100 points in last weekend's Catholic League A-B Division meet at Stoney Creek.

"It was a great race with the top six runners coming from six different schools," head coach Gregg Golden said. "The meet was so close that any one of the top five teams could have won the meet with a couple of higher finishes."

The Saddlelites' Katie Eisen, Sara Cholyway and Gloria Soyad finished in the top 15, earning All-Catholic honors, while freshmen Erin Norton, Mary Chase and Julie Walter each ran a personal best.

Emily Delmotte ran well too, according to Golden.

"Overall I'm happy with our performances," Golden said. "Our girls ran pretty well against some very tough competition in our Catholic League."

Upcoming for the Regina cross country team is a Division II regional meet on Saturday, Oct. 25, at Royal

Oak Dondero.

### Basketball

The Regina basketball team is making life an adventure for head coach Diane Laffey.

After beating Notre Dame Prep and Divine Child, the Saddlelites sat at 8-4 and in firm control of earning a berth in the Catholic League Central/Double-A Division playoffs.

However, that comfort level dropped a dozen levels last week after the Saddlelites lost 62-53 to host Birmingham Marian and 50-43 to visiting Livonia Ladywood.

"It was a good game against a good Marian team," Laffey said. "We were right there during the last three quarters, but a poor first quarter put us in a

big hole."

The Saddlelites trailed 17-8 after the first eight minutes and watched the deficit hit 30-12 midway through the second stanza.

Laffey's squad cut the deficit to 32-23 at the half and were within seven points several times in the second half but couldn't get over the hump.

"Marian was able to get too many easy baskets in transition, which was just plain poor play on our part," Laffey said.

Sophomore Nicole Nemitz and senior Bridget Pullis scored 14 and 13 points, respectively, to lead the Saddlelites.

In addition to losing the

game, Laffey watched senior Sarah Jimines leave the contest after jamming her thumb near the end of the second quarter. She did not play in the second half.

"Our girls battled back without Sarah on the court, which was a positive sign," Laffey said.

The Saddlelites let another game slip away against Ladywood as Pullis' 15 points weren't enough.

The Regina basketball team fell to 2-5 in the Catholic League Central Division and 8-6 overall.

Next for the Saddlelites is a Catholic League quarterfinal playoff game on Wednesday, Oct. 29, at a site yet to be determined.

### Swimming

Regina's swim team dropped its meets last week, losing 112-73 to Macomb Dakota and 115-70 to Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

"We had a great meet with Prep," head coach Sarah Blackstock said. "We had some nice times."

Leading the Saddlelites' efforts were Holly Hanczaruk, Laura Sunisloe, Dana Zak, Ashley Vogel, Jackie Sheridan, Allison Brennan, Alisa Monahan, Erycca Sarver, Ann Pourier and Chelsea Stephens.

The Saddlelites fell to 1-7 overall.

## Pritchett's triple saves Eagles

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

Homecoming festivities took its toll on head coach Mike Murphy and his Lutheran East girls basketball team last week.

"It was a long week, and I'm glad it's over because we didn't play our best in either game," he said.

The Eagles began the week with a 24-22 win over University Liggett School when junior Shana Pritchett hit a three-pointer with nine seconds left.

"It was one of those ugly games that you're happy it's over, and it's a win," Murphy said. "Neither team played well."

Senior Brandy Dona scored eight points, followed by Pritchett and senior Ashley Schult with six points apiece.

Murphy lost Schult for three games after she suffered a deep thigh bruise.

Schult's absence was substantial in the Eagles' 47-43 loss at Hamtramck.

"We fell behind early and never recovered," Murphy

said. "We missed Ashley's rebounding, shot blocking and her offense."

Hamtramck led by 18 points midway through the second quarter before settling into a 24-11 halftime lead.

The Eagles stormed back but never took the lead.

Junior Kyera James scored 14 points and had 12 steals, while Pritchett had 11 points, and Dona finished with seven.

### Football

The Lutheran East foot-

ball team lost 21-0 to Livonia Clarenceville last weekend.

"They scored on the first drive of the game, but their other two scores came off our turnovers," head coach Don Justice said. The host Eagles had a great opportunity to tie the game at seven midway through the first quarter after Clarenceville fumbled a punt, which East recovered inside the 10-yard line.

Senior quarterback Tom Kempinski went for the immediate touchdown, but his first down pass to senior wide receiver Robert Carlisle was intercepted.

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Harper Woods' football team will have to hope a ton of things goes its way next weekend if it is to make the state playoffs.

Head coach Heath Filber and his Pioneers lost 9-6 to playoff-bound Cranbrook Kingswood, despite out-gaining the Cranes 241 yards to 141.

"Our kids played extremely hard, but this game was a mirror image of our last game (14-8 loss to Lutheran North)," Filber said. "We couldn't hit the big play when we needed it, and Cranbrook's two scoring drives both began in our territory."

The Cranes' offense was averaging 41 points per game this season, but they

could only manage a touchdown in the third quarter and a short field goal in the final period.

"Our guys played a great defensive game," Filber said. "We were able to move the ball in the first half, but Cranbrook Kingswood made the adjustments at halftime that stopped our running game."

Senior running back Adam DiGiovanni had 89 yards rushing on 21 carries, and he scored the Pioneers' touchdown, while junior Justin Popov caught eight passes for 90 yards, intercepted two passes and had five tackles.

The Harper Woods football team fell to 4-3 in the Metro Conference and 4-4 overall.

"We have a very slim

chance to make the playoffs at 5-4, but the chance is there," Filber said. "We have to play well to beat Lutheran Westland, and if we do, then several other teams have to lose in order for us to get into the playoffs."

### Basketball

The Harper Woods girls basketball team saw its losing streak hit five games last week, losing 43-42 to University Liggett School and 28-21 to Hamtramck.

Head coach Jessica Pitruzzello and her Pioneers fell to 0-5 in the Metro Conference and 3-9 overall.

Next for the Pioneers is an away game on Tuesday, Oct. 28, against Lutheran East.



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**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 269 Ridgmont. (Ridge/ Beaupre). Saturday, Sunday, 9am-3pm. Designer clothing, purses, shoes, household items.

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 331 Hillcrest. Friday, Saturday, October 24, 25, 9am-4pm. Collectibles, household, kid's clothing. No pre-sales!

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1720 Hampton. Friday, 8:30am-12:30pm. All good stuff at garage sale prices!

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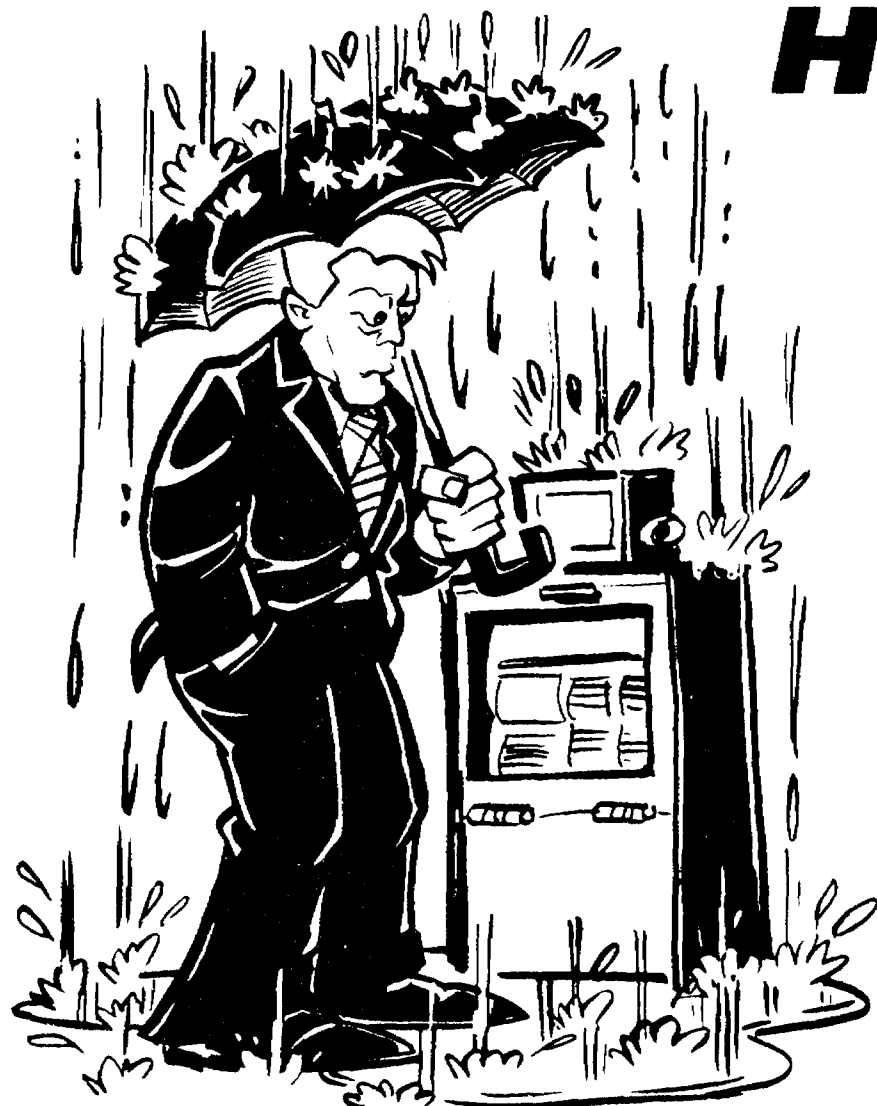
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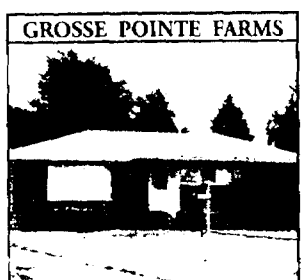
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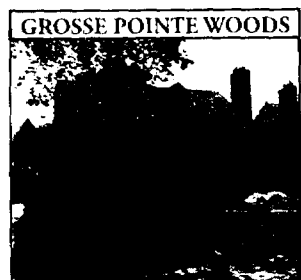
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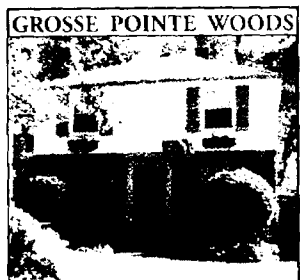
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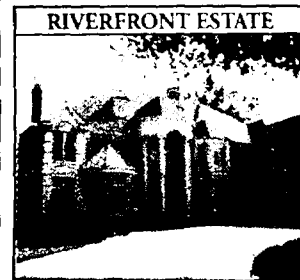
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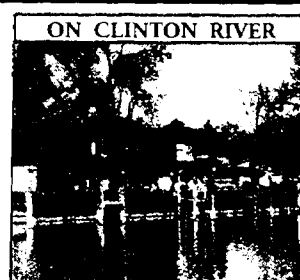
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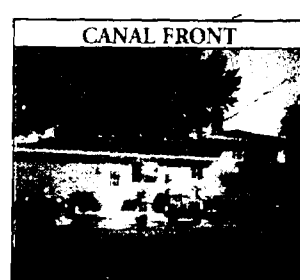
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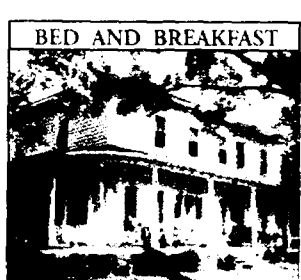
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Spacious two-story with soaring foyer and Great Room. 1993 built, three bedrooms and four baths. Great heated three car garage. Zoned heating and cooling. Partly finished walk-out. Landscaped half-acre lot. Commerce. \$525,000 CL00WEL 248-620-7200



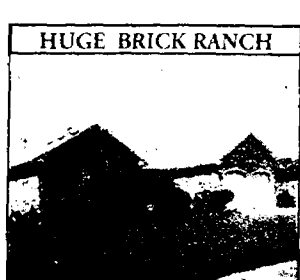
**EXCLUSIVE COLONIAL**  
New construction by Brody Homes. Open floor plan. Cherry wood floors, kitchen with granite, butlers pantry and second floor laundry. Beautiful landscaping, many upgrades, basement and two car garage. \$1,149,000 BH87CHE 248-642-8100



**BED AND BREAKFAST**  
Overlooks picturesque Harrisville Harbor, unspoiled in its style and historic beauty. Six bedrooms, three baths, greek revival home with many updates. White pillar wrap around porch surrounded by maple trees. \$425,000 BH40LAK 248-642-8100



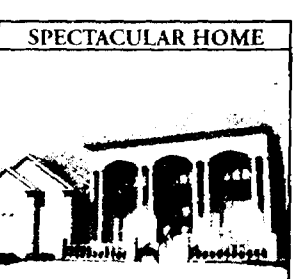
**STUNNING COLONIAL**  
Elegant four bedroom Great Room with den, formal dining room. Doorwall to gorgeous large yard. Finished basement with wet bar. Hardwood floors, master bath with jacuzzi. Attached garage, sprinklers, deck and central air. \$319,900 CT54WIL 586-286-6000



**HUGE BRICK RANCH**  
Approximately 2,200 square feet with many extras and custom features. This Great Room ranch has three full baths, one-half bath, two fireplaces and a second kitchen with oak cabinets in the finished basement. \$299,900 CT15KIR 586-286-6000



**SPECTACULAR SUNSETS**  
One of a kind lakefront home is custom throughout. Features paversone driveway, stone lighthouse, lighted waterfall fountain in lake, lots of granite and glass block. Large custom walk-out with jacuzzi. Awesome lake views. \$799,900 CL37ALC 248-642-8100



**SPECTACULAR HOME**  
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 BH53QLI 248-642-8100



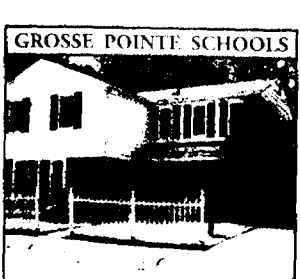
**EXCLUSIVE RANCH**  
Gorgeous two bedroom, three and one-half bath home with two car attached garage. Finished lower level, huge rooms, elegant master suite. White kitchen with granite counter tops. Porch overlooks fairways. \$879,900 EL5PRL 734-455-5600



**LAKEFRONT VIEWS**  
Absolutely spectacular two story contemporary with first and second floor master bedrooms, marble foyer and kitchen with island. Three car side entry garage and views of lake from many rooms. \$1,449,900 BH59SHL 248-642-8100



**BACKS TO STATE PARK**  
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 Marybury State Park. \$534,000 PL25WIS 734-455-5600



**GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS**  
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 586-731-8100

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