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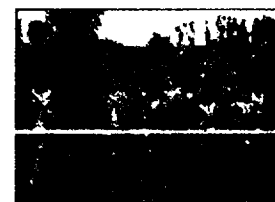
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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Sept. 23

The American Association of University Women Grosse Pointe chapter book sale continues through Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center.

Friday, Sept. 24

Marianne Williamson, author and lecturer on spiritual, personal and political issues, will lead the Pointes for Peace program at the Ark at St. Ambrose Church at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call (313) 822-2702 or (313) 882-7732 or e-mail pointesforpeace@yahoo.com.

Saturday, Sept. 25

The West Park Farmers Market, located at Kercheval and Lakepointe in Grosse Pointe Park, is open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Neighborhood Club Thrift Shop holds its fall event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop by for sales, refreshments and a free raffle.

Sunday, Sept. 26

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library begins its used book sale at the Central Library. It runs through Saturday, Oct. 2, during library hours.

Monday, Sept. 27

Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, holds an open office hour for constituents in the main conference room of the Farms city hall from 9 to 10 a.m.

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

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets as a Committee of the Whole at the Woods municipal building at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 29

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society holds an Organize Your Photos class at the Provencal-Weir House from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Fee is \$30. For more information, call (313) 884-7010 or visit www.gphistorical.com.

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Walking with her daughter, Gillian, outside the vacant Jacobson's building, Michele O'Connell of Grosse Pointe Parks wonders what will happen to the site.

Retail study says Village must float without anchor

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A highly anticipated marketing study of the Village shopping district reveals conflicted suburban shoppers and store owners who want to eat their cake and have it too.

"Most customers and merchants want the Village to have a greater variety of stores including a department store (or) anchor store," reports James Bieri in a study commissioned by the City of Grosse Pointe.

"At the same time," continued the national retail consultant, "merchants and customers are concerned about developing the Village in such a manner that would attract customers from outside the Grosse Pointe community."

He concluded: "In today's retail environment these themes are incompatible."

Bieri, a Farms resident, based the strategic report on first-person surveys of 25 Village customers and 20 merchants and landlords. He also interviewed executives of large department stores such as Von Maur, Nordstrom, Parisian and Lord & Taylor.

City officials commissioned the study to provide a foundation on which to boost the three-block shopping district's reputation and attract more stores.

"This gives the foundation for a lot of (basis for) discussion with Jim (Bieri) and merchants as they come in," said Mayor Dale Scrae.

"I see between the lines bleakness," said Councilman Joseph Jennings. "Major department stores have turned us down."

Everyone involved is eager to replace Jacobson's.

For years, the department store occupied two separate, thriving buildings comprising 1 1/2 blocks on Kercheval. Then the downturn began. Two stores consolidated into one, block-long building. Then, despite the Village store always turning a profit, the multi-state chain went bankrupt two years ago.

The once vibrant site sits vacant, owned by CVS Pharmacy but reportedly up for sale.

The building's size is both its draw and drawback.

"The only (retailers) that might want it is a grocery store, or perhaps a discount store, which we don't want," Bieri said.

Overall, the 45-page study quantified and confirmed much of what people concerned about the City's central business district already knew or felt, including indications that Pointe shoppers are their own worst enemies.

"There is an anomaly with the Grosse Pointe customer in that there is a very high taste level coupled with a thrifty spending attitude," Bieri said.

Frugality coupled with the Pointes' declining population (4.36 percent during the 1990s, .64 percent since 2000) argue against a growing market despite the community's spending potential represented by a \$76,667 average household income.

From a shopper's standpoint, Bieri said the Village's biggest shortfall is a lack of variety. He doesn't expect a large department store to fill the void, as survey respondents would prefer.

"(Department stores) are looking for a larger market than Grosse

Library unions ratify contracts; board yet to OK

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

After two years, Grosse Pointe Public Library employees have new labor contracts.

"We got it done, and I hope we all can celebrate that," said library board president John Bruce.

Bruce was certain the end was near as he looked forward to a meeting that was held last Wednesday, Sept. 15. Steve Schwartz, the library's negotiating attorney, met with mediator Micki Czerniak of the Michigan Employee Relations Commission, who also met with Daniel Hoekenga of the Michigan Education Association, who represents both the librarians and the support staff.

"It is our intention to sit down and get both of these contracts concluded," Bruce declared before what turned out to be more than four hours of negotiations.

The three bargaining committees agreed on the terms that they had spent more than two years battling over. In recent months, the scene became bitter, with picketers stationed outside library branches and angry patrons turning up to put their two cents in at board meetings.

But both sides were closing in on a deal, and the minor kinks were tweaked to satisfy both parties.

"The mediator presented a proposal that the two of us agreed to," Bruce explained. "We were very pleased with the outcome of the negotiating session."

"Both units voted to accept the tentative agreement," said Diana Halbert, president of the Grosse Pointe Public Librarian's Association. "It is good news, but it's not complete at this point."

The library board will hold a special closed meeting

on Monday, Sept. 27, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the contract and will vote publicly during its regular 7 p.m. meeting.

"I would anticipate that the library board will approve the contract," Bruce said.

Bruce would not comment on the details, other than the fact that it is a six-year contract set to expire June 30, 2008.

"The library board has not had a chance to review the specifics; they will be available to the public after Monday's meeting," he said.

A sigh of relief can be heard from both sides of the table, as librarians who were long considered to be highly underpaid can now enjoy job security through a new, satisfactory contract.

"This is the first chance we've had to catch our breath," Halbert said. "Hopefully we can put all this behind us."

But knowing that this contract will eventually expire and further negotiations might be looming down the road, Bruce contemplates lessons learned from this experience.

"I would hope that both sides would learn from this experience and, together, do everything we can to make future negotiations go much more smoothly," he said. "It was a challenge, and I'm sure both sides learned some things. It takes a willingness to give and take, and I believe we did that. Both sides moved in order to resolve this."

"We are glad that the union and library board were able to come to terms on this very important issue. We look forward to once again operating as a great team to provide Grosse Pointe library patrons with quality service. The most important thing about this is providing service to our citizens."

POINTER OF INTEREST

Anne Parsons

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
Family: Husband Donald Dietz, and daughter, Cara, 7
Occupation: president /executive director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Quote: "The hall is like an instrument. It affects how the orchestra sounds. It's important in getting artists to come to Detroit being able to say: 'You won't believe what this hall is like.'"

See story, page 4A



Anne Parsons

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Janet Burns Allen
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St. Clair Shores resident Janet Burns Allen, 85, died on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004.

Born in Detroit in 1918 to John McNeil and Hattie Grace Burns, she was raised on Colonial Road in Grosse Pointe Shores, where her family lived since 1918. She graduated from Liggett School. She attended Erskine College in Boston, Mass., and earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan in 1943, where she was a member of the Alpha Phi sorority.

Mrs. Allen was proud of the time she spent working at Wright Kay Jewelry during World War II.

She was a member of the Libri Club of Detroit, organized in 1908, of which her mother was a founding member. She was also a member of the Ibez Literary Club of Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Allen will be remembered as a devoted, loving and passionate individual who was always supportive of family, friends and numerous charities.

She is survived by her daughter, Judith Allen; her sons, James Henry (Donna Campbell) and John Burns (Judith Drumm); her son-in-law, Walter Kanak; her grandchildren, John, Brian and James Kanak, Nicholas and Laura Allen and Elizabeth Michaelson; and her great-grandchildren, Grant and Julia Kanak.

She was predeceased by her husband, James Henry Allen; her daughter, Diane Elizabeth Kanak; her sister, Betty Burns Old; and her brother, John McNeil Burns.

A private funeral service will be held on Sunday, Sept. 26. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Heart Association or the Michigan Humane Society.



James V. Barker

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James V. Barker, 76, died on Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004, at his home in Grosse Pointe Shores after a long illness.

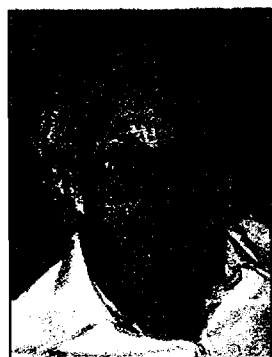
Born in Detroit, Mr. Barker attended St. Ambrose High School and the University of Detroit. He served in Germany during the Korean War, and spent more than 30 years as the owner of Barker Tool Co.

Mr. Barker was a lifetime member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and a former member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Otsego Ski Club. He enjoyed boating, fishing, freighters on the Great Lakes, traveling, working in his tool/work room and being with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Gloria (nee Laughna); his daughter, Claudia (Mark Valente III); and his sons, Craig and Kirk.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, Sept. 16, at St. Philomena Catholic Church. Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contribu-

tions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, 1740 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48201-3496, Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 29585 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334, or the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation, 1440 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, IL 60607.



Arthur William Colton
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Native Grosse Pointe resident Arthur William Colton, 80, died Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Born to Reginald and Audra MacLean Colton in 1924, he graduated from Detroit University School. He attended Michigan Technological University, where he majored in mechanical engineering.

A graduate of the Great Lakes Naval Academy in 1946, Mr. Colton served as Quartermaster Second Class with the 38th PT Squadron Company 896 in the Asiatic Pacific, Philippine Liberation, as helmsmen and navigator.

He proudly served as a Boy Scout leader, coached Little League baseball, held the office of president of the Inter-club Swimming Association and possessed a gift for creating chalk, pencil and water color drawings which, in his later years, became his respite.

Mr. Colton was an avid sailor, participating in many Mackinac Island races and the Southern Ocean Racing Circuit. He taught his sons to sail and to respect the sea in all its power and beauty.

He made countless sacrifices of time, energy and talent to build a family in which love was felt and expressed. Few worked more tirelessly at a task than Mr. Colton — if there was a job to be done it would be done right.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Elizabeth Pinkston Colton; his sons, Arthur (Barbara) Colton, David (Kimberly Towar) Colton and Jeffrey; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son, Douglas MacLean.

A memorial service will be held at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Monday, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m., followed by a reception at 6 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe Rotary Foundation, 15324 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

Caroline Dow

Caroline Dow, 62, college teacher, journalist and voice for social justice, died of pancreatic cancer on Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2004, at home in St. Augustine, Fla.

Born in Detroit in 1942, Mrs. Dow graduated from the University of Michigan in 1963 and earned her M.A. in journalism and her Ph.D. in mass media from Michigan State University.

As a journalist, Mrs. Dow was senior editor of the Michigan Daily, a reporter for The Detroit News, Detroit bureau chief of Life magazine and a correspondent for People magazine. She received the Howard Dubin award for service to the Society of Professional Journalists and helped draft the 1987 revision of the SPJ Code of Ethics for Journalists.

Mrs. Dow taught journalism and communications at Wayne State University, Michigan State University, Indiana University,



Caroline Dow

University of Evansville and Flagler College, where she was chair of communication from 1997 to 2003. She was named 1985 "Advisor of the Year" at Indiana-Purdue University at Indianapolis.

Many of those she taught called themselves "Dowists" as they shared her philosophy that it is a communicator's duty to provide clear and complete information to society and give voice to the voiceless.

She served on the executive committee of the Association for Education and Mass Journalism, appearing on the national program for 25 years. She headed the commission on the status of women, the magazine division and was on the founding board of the ethics division.

Mrs. Dow, a lifelong advocate for social justice, was an early worker in equal rights and voter literacy projects in the 1950s and 1960s and worked with refugees in Europe in 1959. She was named a "First Amendment Warrior" by two presidents of the Society of Professional Journalists.

She was a 40-year member of the Bay View Association, an intentional Christian Chautauqua community in Northern Michigan where she served as library treasurer and boat club commodore.

She is survived by her husband, Douglas C. Covert; brothers Bryden, Peter and Stuart Dow; a sister, Patricia Ashurkoff; six children, Mary Catherine

Dykhouse, David J. Dykhouse Jr. and J. Douglas Dykhouse, Nancy L. Covert, James R. Covert and Barbara A. Emmer; nine grandchildren; and a host of young people she has mentored.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Boys and Girls Club of St. Johns County, Fla.; Flager College, St. Augustine, Fla.; Friends School in Detroit; or the Bay View Association (Michigan).

Beth A. Kastner

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Beth A. Kastner, 56, died on Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at her home.

Born in Mendota, Ill., in 1948 to Stanley and Barbara Yost, Mrs. Kastner graduated from Western Michigan University in 1970.

She was an event coordinator for Detroit International Auto Show and former owner of Detroit Awareness. She was a founding member of Norsemons at Grosse Pointe North High School, and a member of St. Michael's Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Kastner enjoyed spending time with family and friends, vacationing on Sanibel Island, spending summers at her cottage in Canada and playing bridge with friends.

She is survived by her parents, Stanley and Barbara Yost; her daughter, Courtney A. Kastner; her son, Brent F. Kastner; her sister, Jennifer Kendera; and her brothers, Steven (Janice) Yost and Joel Yost.

She was predeceased by her husband, Michael F. Kastner.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 23, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale in Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment is in the church's memorial garden.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to VanElslander Cancer

Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, or Bon Secours Hospice, P.O. Box 92220, Detroit, MI 48202.



Jill Katherine (Stewart) Newcomb

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Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Jill Katherine (Stewart) Newcomb, 49, died Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2004, in the presence of her family at St. John Hospital after a 13-month battle with brain cancer.

Mrs. Newcomb was a National Honor Society graduate from Grosse Pointe North High School in 1973. She graduated with honors from the University of Michigan in 1977, earning a bachelor's degree in education which she later followed with a master's degree in education.

Since 1978, Mrs. Newcomb was a highly respected teacher at the Ottawa Elementary School in Petoskey, where she resided until last fall. She loved to travel and took many trips to Europe and other interesting places with friends and family.

She is survived by her daughter, Hilary, a student at Michigan State University; her parents, Melbourne and Nancy Stewart of Grosse Pointe Farms; and her brothers, John Stewart of Princeton, N.J., and Kevin Stewart of Chapel Hill, N.C.

A memorial service is being held in Petoskey.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lutheran Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



Helen Mary Peleman

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Helen Mary Peleman, 78, of Harper Woods, died on Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at St. John Hospital.

Born in Kingsville, Ontario, in 1926 to John and Helen McDougall, Mrs. Peleman was employed for 18 years at Grosse Pointe South High School.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughters, Christine (David) Ginnebaugh and Peggy (Michael) Sandmair; her sons, Rene (Marion) and Robert (Mary); her grandchildren, Brian, Robbie, Kevin, Paul, Christy, Eric, Rene, Matthew, Andrew, A.J., Conor, Jack and Natalie; and her brother, John (Theresa) McDougall.

She was predeceased by her husband, Raymond.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 23, at St. Peters Parish in Harper Woods. Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Arthur J. VanLerberghe Funeral Home in St. Clair Shores.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery or the Salvation Army.

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Opinion

Letters

From page 8A

it was needed to "control the situation." When that failed, the next attempt was for the purpose of generating income. I believe it presently has some ties to an opportunity for a Grosse Pointe Farms liquor license. Apparently it does not need it for control or money.

2. The War Memorial and cable television. All the Grosse Pointes, except the Shores, and Harper Woods attempted to make the Grosse Pointe cable systems. The cash flow was yearly and proceeds of the cable sale were over \$10 million to the War Memorial. During its ownership it also built the television studio on the Lakeshore property. Why a windowless studio would be on a lakefront property is strange.

At a Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, a senior resident stated that he knew the donors of the War Memorial's property and that it was to have been a library-like setting, not a business run in a residential environment. The details of the cable company also were questioned as to the legality and arm's-length arrangements.

3. The purchase of 40 Lakeshore. Questions regarding this purchase have never been fully answered. Mr. John Griffin found the War Memorial an inconsiderate neighbor and he would not sell his property to allow expansion of the War Memorial. A third party bought his home and then turned around to sell it to the War Memorial. I am not aware of any denials or acknowledgment by the War Memorial of the actual transaction.

4. Fifty and 60 Lakeshore. The War Memorial recently purchased 50 and 60 Lakeshore to attempt to remedy a deed restriction

they had found after the purchase of the Griffin property in 1991. Is this another sign of being a good neighbor?

During the ownership of this property they entered into negotiations with the library to sell the 50 Lakeshore property for a proposed parking area should the library obtain the rights for 46 Lakeshore. Unfortunately, the War Memorial could not reach an agreement to allow the library to proceed.

The library is a true community institution that encourages and supports learning. It would truly be a class city that could embrace a lakefront library and meet the original charter of the War Memorial. I'm sorry the War Memorial could not find a way to do this for us all.

In summary, most external requests from the present War Memorial's leadership have not been building trust with its neighbors. Change has always been a part of improvements and it is necessary to support it with trust. Perhaps the War Memorial should look inward to find the source of its problems.

Steven Smith
Grosse Pointe Farms

Self-governing

To the Editor:

I'm curious about something: my county and school tax for winter 2003 includes the information that at a tax rate of 1.5829, the tax on my property for our local libraries is \$168.26. With this in mind, I have four questions:

Should not a unit of government which has the power to receive tax monies be accountable to the voters who are the source of those tax monies?

Put in other terms, should not this power take the form of a direct relationship between elected representation of the people on the

library board and that board's ability to tax?

Should not the library board be able to operate independently of our local school board, an entity which has a quite different agenda?

Is not the present arrangement of the school board appointing the members of the library board a contradiction of the respective boards' independence of one another, given those differing agendas?

Robert W. Bradley
Grosse Pointe Park

'Fifth column'

To the Editor:

The role of the media should not, must not, "make" the news. They should report what, where and when events have occurred and announce those events that are pending.

The sources of material presented as factual should be identified by name. Let the pundits wallow around on the editorial pages with contributions from unnamed "highly placed informants." A free press should not be a license to submit unfounded, slanted innuendos and blatant untruths.

It is obvious that some members of the Fourth Estate are joining a venal insurgent "fifth column." The inefficacy of the presidential election of 2000 should have alerted the Federal Elections Commission to alter the present voting procedure. The media skewed the results of that election.

Even now the "talking heads" are anxiously waiting to deliver the exit poll statistics that most certainly could sway the unsure voter.

In a previous letter to the editor a plan was detailed that might stunt the media's influence. Three eight-hour shifts of volunteers at each polling station would permit a 24-hour access to many

more voters.

Furthermore, if the date were switched to the first weekend of November, all polls in each of the time zones could be opened and closed simultaneously. Detroit could open noon on Saturday and close noon Sunday. Chicago: 11 to 11. Denver: 10 to 10. San Francisco: 9 to 9. and Hawaii from 8 to 8. In addition, no results would be aired until all votes were tallied.

R.R. Royer, M.D.
Grosse Pointe Farms

H.W. bond issue

To the Editor:

This is in response to the letter, "Wrong proposal," published in the Sept. 16 issue of the Grosse Pointe News, regarding the Harper Woods school bond proposal on the Sept. 28 ballot.

I find it interesting that the letter writer would vote "yes" for a fiscally irresponsible bond (letter writer's words) of \$34 million when the \$15 million bond the letter writer approves is available, but never mentioned by the administration.

We naysayers are not anti school. In my 60-year residency in this community, I have never voted "no" on any school requests — until now.

We, too, would have supported the \$15 million proposal and if the present bond issue is defeated, a vote on Proposal No. 2 can be accomplished before Dec. 31.

Don't take the doomsday scare publicity too seriously as to the cutbacks, should the present proposal fail. There is a better way to upgrade the school buildings and provide the best for our students. Smaller classes with well-paid, highly qualified teachers and "tools of the trade," dedicated to the challenge can do more to educate and influence our children, than any new, building with a multimillion dollar mortgage.

Please, letter writer, how can you vote yes on this bond issue that is wrong for you and a disservice to the community?

Gert Danielson
Harper Woods

Concerned

To the Editor:

We have been receiving negative fliers at our door this past weekend, and we have to say it is pretty sad to see seniors against education for our children.

Our first question would be: Have they ever had children in the Harper Woods School District? If the answer is yes, then the next question would be: Why didn't they keep the schools up for the future children and we wouldn't have to pay for their mistakes?

We are parents of two young children, one at Beacon Elementary School and the other at Tyrone Elementary School. Maybe the Save Our School Committee can try to explain to them why our schools are not up to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards and why there is not enough room for them to learn in, because we can't. We were not part of this school system when their children were being educated.

We went to the first forum that presented all the facts on the proposal. The Facilities Advisory Committee seemed to be educated on the facts and was not making outrageous claims like this group seems to be stating.

We sat, listened and got fed up at how this committee was being yelled and screamed at for their hard work. Maybe the Save Our School Committee should have a community forum and publicly try to educate us on how this is not good for our children's education. If this was brought up when their children were being educated, would they have been this against it?

Remember, children are



A runner takes a cup of water Saturday morning from Erica Schumann of the Grosse Pointe South Rotary Interact Club. Ana Moustardas is ready for the next competitor in the Sunrise Rotary annual run, jog, walk and stroll along Lakeshore.

FYI

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South Rotary Interact Club were a welcome sight for the 400 or more runners, walkers, joggers and strollers in the Sunrise Rotary Run Saturday.

Sunrise Rotarian Harvey Hohlfeldt gave the quartet of Erica Schumann, Ana Moustardas, Courtney Graham and Ambert Gellert careful instructions at the Newberry Place turn on Lakeshore before the 9 a.m. start.

"You place the cup on the palm of your hand so the runner can pick it off," Hohlfeldt, a veteran of past races and CEO of an auto-

motive manufacturing firm said.

"If you hold it in your fingers the runners won't be able to get it, and you'll get splashed," he explained.

The lead runners swept by with nary a pause, but the main body partook of the free drinks with lots of "thank yous," "this is great" and "good running" comments as the runners and water girls raised money for Sunrise Rotary's various community charitable causes.

Ben Burns of the City of Grosse Pointe is a professor in the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by phone at (313) 882-2810.

I Say

From page 9A

in their advertisements.

The funny thing is, I really hadn't paid attention to Hendrix until this past year when both of my boys became devotees of his guitar style.

Coming of age in the late 1970s and early 1980s, I heard the same few Hendrix songs worn down to the

groove and played ad nauseum on the local rock stations. If I were born earlier, I might have had a greater appreciation for his style and how it changed the way electric guitar has been played by guitarists who have followed him.

Still crazy after all these years, or can I just say, "I feel good"?

Health Adviser 2004

Thursday,
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Federal judge lifts Woods restriction on political signs

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The political season can start early in Grosse Pointe Woods.

U.S. District Judge John Corbett O'Meara issued the verbal temporary restraining order against Grosse Pointe Woods on Friday, Sept. 17, which ordered Grosse Pointe Woods to remove its ban on allowing residents to place political lawn signs in front of their houses more than 30 days before an election.

The ordinance in question also states that violating the 30 day provision is subject to a misdemeanor charge, punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment.

The complaint was filed by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Michigan on behalf of Woods resident Mary Adzgian, who had been issued a citation on Sept. 2, the same day she placed a presidential campaign sign in front of her house.

"The ACLU felt the ordinance and the fear of prosecution were unconstitutional," said David Radke, an attorney who represented the ACLU of Michigan in this case.

"We're pleased the people of Grosse Pointe Woods are now free to express their political opinions and take part in political debate," said Wendy Wagenhiem, communication director of

the ACLU of Michigan. "People not only have a right to express their opinions, but governments should not interfere with that right."

However, O'Meara did not rule in favor of Adzgian's second request to post more than one sign per candidate on her property, which is also a restriction listed in the ordinance.

Wagenhiem said she hoped to resolve the matter with the city.

"They can put their signs up now, but I will not change the rest of the ordinance," said Don Berschback, city attorney.

A written decision is expected to be filed by O'Meara, who declined comment for this story, in the U.S. District Court in Detroit this week.

As soon as she received word on O'Meara's ruling, Adzgian placed her presidential campaign sign in front of her house on Sept. 17.

"I'm gratified and I'm sure things will go through," Adzgian said. "I'm sure I'm not the Lone Ranger on this issue and that there are others who feel the same way I do."

Grosse Pointe Farms also has an ordinance that limits the placement of political signs no earlier than 30 days before an election. Mayor James Farquhar Jr. said he was not sure what action his city would take on that



Photo by Bonnie Caprara

As of Friday, Sept. 17, Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Adzgian and other Woods residents were allowed to post election campaign signs in front of their houses. U.S. District Judge John Corbett O'Meara issued a verbal restraining order against the Woods on Friday, Sept. 17, which forced the city to lift its restriction on placing campaign lawn signs no earlier than 30 days before an election. "I'm sure I'm not the Lone Ranger on this issue and that there are others who feel the same way I do," Adzgian said.

issue.

"I haven't had a chance to find out anything about this ruling, and I have not had a chance to discuss it with administration and council," Farquhar said on Monday, Sept. 20.

Neither the lawsuit nor O'Meara's ruling spoke to

the time in which political signs must be taken down after an election. Political signs must be taken down within two days in Grosse Pointe Park; within five days in the Farms, Woods and Grosse Pointe Shores; and within 10 days in the City of Grosse Pointe.

\$4 million bonds to finance Farms park, water work

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms officials say bonds are the best way to finance a community center at Pier Park. Money also will pay for water system improvements.

"This method was chosen because of favorable interest rates," said Shane Reeside, city manager. "There would be other ways of financing it other than a bond, but at a higher interest rate."

Tax-exempt bonds totaling \$4 million are expected to be issued in early November. The securities are to mature in 25 years or less.

Some \$2.5 million will go toward the park building, which will replace a structure dating to the 1970s.

The \$1.5 million balance is to fund numerous repairs and improvements to the water filtration plant on Moross and Grosse Pointe Boulevard that serves both the Farms and City.

"If we issue both bonds at the same time we will save approximately \$30,000," said John Modzinski, city comptroller.

Savings come from economies of scale, including less billable work by the bond counsel.

Councilmember Therese Joseph voted against the bonds. Her vote represented opposition to the community center, which she said is too expensive.

"I'm for the water plant," Joseph said.

Reeside said the park building will be financed through the general fund. Water work will be financed through the water and sewer fund.

According to state law, people opposed to the bond could force a voter referendum by submitting a petition signed by 10 percent of the registered electorate, or about 800 people, according to Terry Donnelly, bond counsel and attorney with Dickinson Wright.

Petitioners face a deadline 45 days after the Farms noticed the bonds in a local newspaper.

Reeside said a special election would cost \$7,500.

The filtration plant is one of the grande dames of Grosse Pointe infrastructure.



Photo by Brad Lindberg

Grosse Pointe Farms plans to issue \$4 million in bonds, \$1.5 million of which will go toward improvements to the water filtration plant on Moross.

"It's a fabulous asset," Reeside said.

The building's backup generators kept water pumping last summer during the multi-state blackout that left other communities high and dry.

Built in 1930 and entered on the Michigan Register of Historic Sites in 1993, the brick and stone work of Georgian architecture is showing its age. Farms officials say a makeover is due.

"The plant needs repair," said Scott Hominga, head of the water department.

Planned work ranges from the visible, such as a new roof and windows, to the unseen, including replacing valves, lining sewer pipes and enclosing two filter basins.

Repairs will be bid out.

Improvements to come follow other recent upgrades. An ultraviolet filter has been installed to purify incoming lake water. Activated carbon filters remove odor caused, in large part, by invading zebra mussels.

"We just paid off a bond issue for water system improvements this fiscal year," Reeside said. "We had a debt service of approximately \$104,000 per year."

A new community center at Pier Park has been in the works for at least 1 1/2 years.

Of six designers that bid on the project last summer, The Blake Co. came in first.

Work began last week with razing the old community center building being replaced.

Old Pier Park boathouse demolished

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Demolition crews have a way of making onlookers feel sentimental.

So while standing on a dock last week watching the old community building being scrapped at Pier Park, Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor James Farquhar thought about how the city he leads has changed since spending his boyhood summers playing at a lakeside park he considers the city's jewel.

"I grew up here so I remember the old boathouse," Farquhar said. "It was a white, wooden one. Basically one big room and a maintenance building."

In the 1970s the frame structure gave way to an equally utilitarian basic of yellow brick and utilitarian cinder block.

Now that building is coming down for another: a two-story structure of stone, brick and simulated wood designed for subdued elegance and low maintenance.

"The old building served its purpose," Farquhar said. "We basically outgrew it."

As he spoke, two workers manhandled broken pieces of wall and ceiling into the shovel of a miniature front-end loader. Gray dust rose with each toss.

Demolition began last Wednesday. Before the walls and roof crashed down, workers carefully removed fixtures and kitchen cabinets for donation to Habitat for Humanity.

"We'll be working on demolition through the end of the week and hoping to start other site work toward the end of next week," said Christian Leininger, project manager for The Blake Co., winner of the \$2.5 million project.

"We will begin work on the new building almost immediately after the old one is down," said Christopher Blake, owner of the Grosse Pointe Farms design and construction firm.

Farquhar said he could fill an hour praising the new design, hammered out over months of meeting with residents and focus groups.

Major features include a large community room, mul-

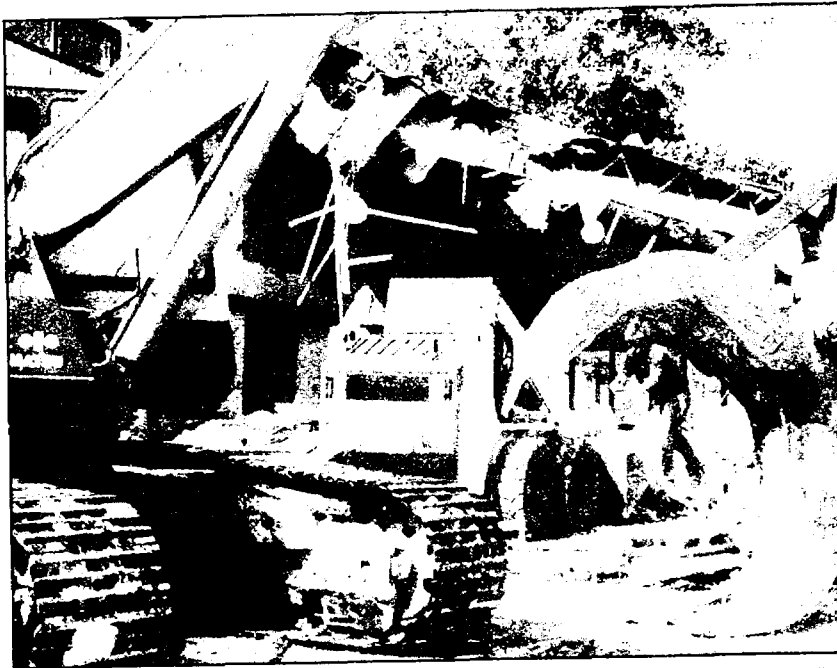


Photo by Brad Lindberg

Demolition crews work among a hodgepodge of heavy equipment to knock down and drag out the old community building at Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms.

tiple smaller meeting rooms on both the first and second floors, a veranda, second-floor outdoor viewing deck overlooking the harbor and increased office space for park administrators.

"It's going to allow us to expand our recreation programs for residents," Farquhar said. "There will be room for presentations and guest speakers. I think people will use it as a drop in point. On a day like today, you could sit in a chair and look at the harbor."

His memories of the white frame building of the past have him thinking about the years to come.

"I like to see the Farms looking to the future," Farquhar said. "We have to keep attracting young families to Grosse Pointe Farms. We're an older community. We don't have the big space other communities have."

He said it's important to improve community "jewels" such as the park, public safety and school system.

"This is one way to compete with other cities and keep our property values

up," he said. "This is a way to attract new people."

Don't expect the new, two-story, 7,500-square-foot building to spring up immediately. It's scheduled to open in May.

"There's about six weeks of infrastructure work when you won't see anything com-

ing out of the ground," Blake said.

Foundations have to be made. Sewer and utility work needs to be completed.

"There's grading, paving and concrete removal," Blake said. "Once that's done, we can start framing on top of that."

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New DSO president looks forward to challenges

By Alex Suczek
Special Writer

A little more than a year ago, Detroit Symphony Orchestra board chairman Jim Nicholson faced a truly daunting challenge. He had to find a new president/executive director for the orchestra and it had to be a good one.

The occupants of that post had changed often enough in recent years to make the job seem like a revolving door. The previous season's operating deficit was staggering. Moreover, the word in the world of the arts across the nation suggested that there were few really outstanding candidates available. Even those were probably not willing to leave their existing positions, especially to take on the challenges in Detroit.

In his search, one individual stood out. Anne Parsons, general manager of the New York City Ballet, had all the credentials. She was a graduate of the first class in the American Symphony Orchestra League's Fellowship Program. She had outstanding successes in a series of orchestra management posts. Her fellowship took her to the San Francisco Symphony. She moved on to Orchestra Manager for the Boston Symphony and then oversaw programming at the Hollywood Bowl. There she coordinated recording activities, managed tours to Japan and Brazil and established an exclusive relationship with a rock concert promoter for the Bowl. She even spearheaded renovations of the facility in cooperation with the county of Los Angeles.

At the ballet, Parsons was doing much of what Nicholson needed someone to do at the DSO. She gave, saw all day-to-day operations, was responsible for the union contract and artist

relationships, was active in the hiring of a new music director, expanded touring activities and found ways to motivate staff and create a positive environment.

The problem was she loved her job and did not want to move.

Nicholson persevered. He persuaded her to visit Detroit with her husband and 7-year-old daughter on her one free weekend last season. Most importantly, he let her see for herself all the positive resources of the DSO and made her aware of the one aspect of the job that could really tempt her: the challenge.

"Going into ballet management, I was interested in growing and learning a new field," Parsons said. There were problems to be solved.

"They needed a music director. They had trouble with some of the union relationships. They needed someone who could work with the situation and improve it. I thought it would be a lot of fun and was gratified with the kind of work we were able to do."

"In Detroit," she said, "the problems are definitely not the same. If they were, I wouldn't have come. I'm always looking to grow myself and help the institution I serve. This is more of a management challenge."

"Important pieces exist here already: a great orchestra, a good management staff, a beautiful hall. The acoustics of that hall reached out and touched me the very first day."

"That is critical. The hall is like an instrument. It affects how the orchestra sounds. It's important in getting artists to come to Detroit being able to say: 'You won't believe what this hall is like.'"

In only a few minutes of this kind of conversation, her enthusiasm becomes infectious. In a thoughtful

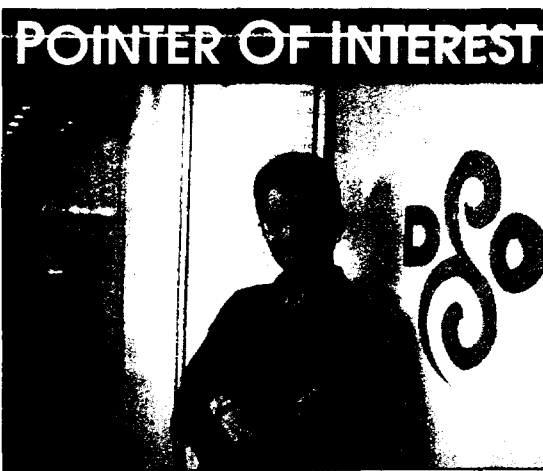


Photo by Donald Dietz

Anne Parsons is the new president/executive director for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. She comes from New York City with her husband, Donald Dietz, a photographer; her 7-year-old daughter, Cara; and a Saluki named Appin.

and collected way, Parsons radiates positive energy.

With the help of her photographer husband, Donald Dietz, and her daughter, Cara, Parsons made the decision to move to Detroit.

Lake St. Clair added to the appeal. Donald was a Snipe sailor in his youth. They brought their kayaks from an Adirondack lake. They are moving into Grosse Pointe where they will live in one of the gracious old mansions in the Farms that was built by an automotive pioneer.

It was a recent bequest to the DSO precisely for that purpose, and the mansion will be a place where the executive director can entertain and develop the network needed to further the orchestra's agenda. The house is now undergoing some maintenance, but it will soon be ready for the family.

This lively, interesting and happy family will put a lot of life in that grand old mansion. Anne, Donald and Cara, and their Saluki breed hound, Appin, have been living on City Island in Manhattan during Parsons' six years at the ballet.

Grosse Pointe will surely welcome them with open arms. The staff at the DSO is already doing that. Parsons brings active personal initiative to her work based on successful problem-solving in her previous positions, but it is tempered with open-mindedness regarding staff ideas and unique aspects of the DSO operations.

Moreover, in residence full time only since the end of August, she is now totally on board. She already refers to herself and the DSO organization as "we."

"The message we try to send is that nothing is more important in life than enjoying the arts. It rounds off your life. If you deprive yourself, your life is less rewarding, less satisfying," Parsons said. "We need to connect with people and persuade them to lengthen

their day and make the trip downtown. We must make it easy for them. With the expansion of the facilities, the parking garage and the Max M. Fisher Music Center, we are doing that."

"We have a great place to hear music. Now we have a great place to park and plenty of bathrooms! We've been broadening what we have to offer. I came for the weekend festival this summer where we had a Techno Cafe with a different kind of music. I was in that hall until 2 a.m., watching people wandering in and out when they had no idea it was there. They were having such a good time and wondering when the next event like that was going to be."

"That, to me, is vital in this time of broadening our reach. I think it is great that we can have weddings in The Max. We are going to entice people to come here for a variety of reasons. The next thing is to make them aware of the symphony, the pops concerts and the jazz."

"I want to be involved with Steve Millen and Joanne Chang (staff mem-

bers) in finding and bringing artists. I have always enjoyed that. I started out chauffeuring soloists (when she was in San Francisco). I picked up Andre Watts at the airport. That was my first chance to have a conversation with an artist. You get to know them as you would not any other way. If I am available, I will pick them up even now."

"You never stop with that kind of personal touch. Touring artists don't know what city they're in. They don't know what day it is or where they are going to get their next lousy meal. So if you can provide them some warmth, some contact and some good meals you make some marvelous friendships."

"You also get a better performance."

On the subject of innovative programming, Parsons is moderate. "I love all kinds of music. I have an interest in jazz and contemporary music. It is just for certain people at certain times and others at different times. I am not interested in forcing that issue. There are natural ways to work that in. The music should be what people want to hear."

"Some people are looking to find peace in music. They think of the concert hall as a kind of sanctuary. You have to respect that."

"I do some of my best thinking in concerts as I sit there in the dark. The music, whether I know it well or not, makes my brain work better and I get ideas. Friends used to laugh at me because I'd sit at a concert with a piece of paper. My handwriting is bad enough but in the dark the notes are illegible."

"There is a wonderful season coming up this year; some interesting people and good programs. It will be my job to establish new relationships with artists. That will take another year because we plan each season so far in advance. We have to persuade artists to come

here and make sure they have a good time, and I have confidence that we will do that."

"To some extent, I don't have a sense of the Detroit market yet; so I sit back and look at the audience. Orchestra Hall is a great place to do that. But also, as I move through the community, go to my daughter's new school, shop and live here in Grosse Pointe, I look at people all the time. I think: 'This is the audience. They are all here. I am not worried that there are not people in the community who want to look for music.'"

"I have met plenty people who say they do not go to concerts but not any who have any particular reason why they don't. We have to give them reasons to go. I plan to invite a lot of people."

As new president and executive director, Parsons is determined to continue touring the orchestra and wants to find new ways to make recordings. But her biggest challenge is to lead the search for a new music director in Maestro Neeme Järvi's final season.

"He is a hard act to follow," Parsons said. "It will be different, and it is important that it will be different. But things happen in mysterious ways. Sometimes things come along when you least expect them. I am looking forward to the surprises."

We can be delighted with the surprises that she has already provided in bringing her energy, dedication and open-mindedness to our orchestra.

In a very real way, the spontaneity and love for her work that characterize her executive style resemble the qualities that Neeme Järvi brought to his job as music director 15 years ago.

We can look forward to some interesting and rewarding times with Anne Parsons at the DSO management helm.

Natural disasters are usually followed by charity appeals

It is regular as clockwork: Within days of any natural or man-made disaster, the Better Business Bureau knows that some people will attempt to take advantage of Americans' eagerness to assist victims of the tragedy.

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In addition to checking with the Better Business Bureau, donors should consider the following tips when giving in the wake of a tragedy or disaster:

- Be wary of appeals that are long on emotion, but short on describing what the charity will do to address the needs of victims and their families.

- If you contribute, do not give cash. Make a check or money order out to the name of the charitable organization, not to the individual collecting the donation.

- If you decide to contribute online, find out more about the charity before making a contribution and be aware of red flags. For example, some charities imitate the name and style of a well-known organization in order to confuse people. Also, when clicking on the link to "donate," look at the organization's URL in the browser window. Exercise caution if the domain name is hidden, is not familiar to you, or is not the same as the one stated in the text of the link.

- Watch out for excessive pressure for on-the-spot donations. Be wary of any request to send a "runner" to pick up your contribution.

- Do not give your credit card number or other personal information to a telephone solicitor or in response to an e-mail solicitation. Ask the caller or sender to provide you with written information on the

charity's programs and finances.

- Do not hesitate to ask for written information that describes the charity's program(s) and finances such as the charity's latest annual report and financial statements. Even newly created organizations should have some basic information available.

- Be wary of charities that are reluctant to answer reasonable questions about their operations, finances and programs. Ask how much of your gift will be used for the activity mentioned in the appeal and how much will go toward other programs and administrative and fundraising costs.

- See if the charity's appeal explains what the charity intends to do with any excess contributions remaining after they have fully funded the disaster relief activities mentioned in solicitations.

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Farms gets new truck

In the words of first-term Councilman Doug Roby, Grosse Pointe Farms administrators will continue to "poke around" for lower prices on Ford F-350 pickup trucks. But unless a better deal comes up, the city will spend \$25,690 for the new four-by-four.

The 3/4-ton truck was offered for sale by Ed Schmidt Ford, the only one of five dealers to answer a bid request last July.

Due to the low turnout, Terry Brennan, Farms director of public works, retested

the market in August.

"In an effort to obtain additional bids, subsequent packages were redistributed to eight dealers," Brennan said. "One bid was received."

Schmidt again.

Persistence paid off. "It is recommended the bid be awarded to Ed Schmidt Ford," Brennan told his city council last week.

"The bid turned out quite favorably," said John Modzinski, city comptroller.

Cleveland (& Mom) rocks!

Spending a weekend or a week with Mom or any other adult family member is not my 13- and 16-year-old sons' idea of "getting away," especially if it involves museums and long car rides.

I forgot who came up with the idea of going to the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, but the response from the three of us came out like a familiar chorus:

Yeah!
Yeah!
Yeah!

Normally, I wouldn't have considered Cleveland to be a getaway destination, but it made sense on several counts: my kids wouldn't have been tortured with being confined in the same

small space for hours without end just as I wouldn't be subjected to shrills of, "Mom! Tell him to stop punching me!" It didn't interfere with work, social schedules or football practices; we could do it in a day.

On a Saturday morning, we loaded up the compact disc changer with nothing but music of the Rock Hall inductees, and went rockin' down the highways — 1-94, I-75, I-280, and I-80, that is. Normally, the three of us battle it out over what gets played on the car stereo. Instead, we listened to almost three hours of Led Zeppelin, Bob Marley, Eric Clapton and the Beatles, and discovered we shared more in common musically than we often seemed to differ.

Before taking off to Cleveland, I read a bit about the hall of fame and museum's architect, I.M. Pei. Although known for his modern architectural



I Say

Bonnie Caprara

designs, he admitted he knew nothing about rock 'n' roll. So the Rock Hall founders showed him memorabilia, took him to some shows and lent him a library of music. From that came the impressive six-story partial glass pyramid that reflects off Lake Erie.

"He's got it. Yeah, baby, he's got it," I thought to myself the first time I saw the building in person.

For several hours that afternoon, we had a blast. Most of the exhibits were constructed almost like a walking chronological tour through the history of rock

'n' roll, although at times we felt it *twisted* and *Turner-ed* a bit too much and lingered on some stops longer than others. We were all perplexed why there was so much wall space devoted to the B-52s and only half of a display case to Clapton. And we saw nothing on this year's Detroit representative into the Rock Hall: Bob Seger.

The exhibition of Annie Leibovitz' photographs brought back memories of seeing some of those same photographs the first time when I started reading Rolling Stone magazine in

the late 1970s. My 16-year-old son was just as impressed for a different reason.

"We learned about her in photography class last year," he told me.

Talk about "Rock 'n' Roll High School!"

But perhaps the most striking and unifying experience of all was spending time in a surround sound theater that features a 15-minute clip of a performance on the Isle of Wight. As I was thinking, "I wonder if those kids in that audience 35 years ago had any idea how much that man single-handedly changed rock music and would influence musicians for generations to come," my youngest son asked: "Mom, what was it like when Jimi Hendrix was alive?"

"I don't know," I told him. "I was only 3 or 4 years old when he was big. I had no clue of who he was when he was around."

"But you were alive at that time," he said.

I was alive, and so were most of these artists who had been inducted into the Rock Hall who had touched, formed and shaped a large segment of my psyche through the years.

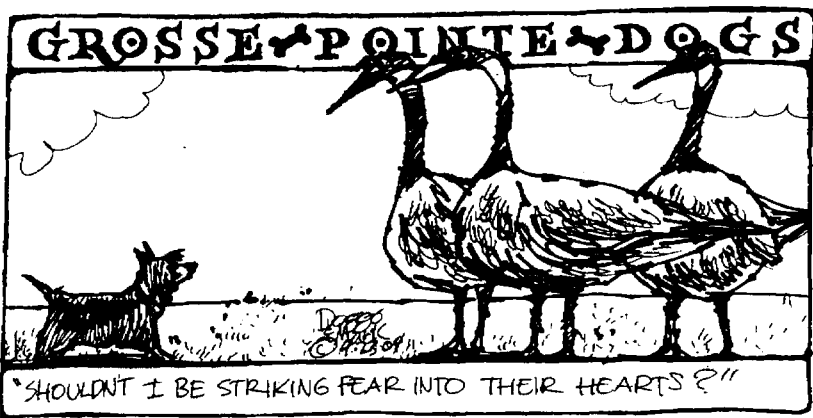
I have seen B.B. King in concert twice, and the Paul Simon show from his Graceland tour at Pine Knob in the mid-1980s is still my favorite concert of all time ... or maybe it's the Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band show I saw at Joe Louis Arena in 1982. I remember buying Queen's "A Night at the Opera" on 8-track when I was in middle school and the Police's "Zenyatta Mondatta" on vinyl when I was in high school. And just a few years ago Tina Turner was reason enough for me to buy Hanes panty hose when she was showing off her famous legs

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

How should the national Hockey League player shutout be dealt with?



Shirley Kennedy

"This is Hockey Town. Owners should be as fair as possible so the price of tickets doesn't go up. It has become prohibitive to take a family to a hockey game."

Shirley Kennedy, former Red Wings season ticket holder
Grosse Pointe Park

"Let the players make what they can make."

Blair Wills
Detroit

"The price of hockey tickets are through the roof. To continue keeping our youth involved and interested in the game, they need to keep the ticket prices affordable to attract those families that want to make the trips down to the 'Joe' a family memory. If not, only the business people and their clients will be in attendance."

Stephen Puckett, youth officer Grosse Pointe Farms public safety
Grosse Pointe Woods resident

"It's hurting a lot of people with businesses that depend on hockey. It's hurting the little people. Big people don't think of that. Money ruins all sports."

Anthony Bracali
Grosse Pointe Farms DPW employee
Roseville

"Same thing (as Bracali). It's bad for business on both sides."

Ken Blankenship
Farms DPW employee
Clinton Township.

"They should get it resolved quickly and play hockey — the sooner the better. There are a lot of businesses that rely on the hockey industry."

Tricia Moore
St. Clair Shores



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by Ben Burns

Arnie's Army

No one is talking much about it, but it seems that when the revered **Arnold Palmer** returned in late August to the scene of his sublime win he not only had a personal police escort around the Country Club of Detroit course in the form of dapper Farms police chief **Dan Jensen**, but he was also accompanied by a personal physician.

The physician, a retired local doctor, reportedly stepped in and saved the day when the 76-year-old Palmer popped a stomach hernia on the practice tee. The good doctor did an on the scene, temporary repair and then volunteered for the ranks of Arnie's Army as the septuagenarian toured the course to the delight of thousands and the benefit of scholarships for children's charities including Cornerstone Schools.

Kwame's party

Let's set the record straight. There was a party one night at Manoogian Mansion, residence of the mayor of Detroit, but it was not that party — the one that did or didn't happen and that garnered hundreds of inches of coverage in the media.

The party on a recent golden summer eve was for the directors of the Detroit Zoological Society and Detroit Historical Society.

Mayor **Kwame Kilpatrick** made nice with the 60 or so folks from the two boards, including Grosse Pointers **John and Becky Booth, Kevin Broderick, Bob and Mary Ann Bury, Doug and Diane Dossin, Joan and Bill Gehrke, Stephanie Germack and Patrick Kerzic, Kim and Mado Lie, Sandy McMillan and Sheldon and Christine Wardwell** from the historical society and with **Tom and Lindsay Buhl, Ruth and Al Glancy and Lloyd and Goodie Semple** from the zoo folks.

(Lloyd Semple, by the by, having retired from running the big law firm of Dykema Gossett after 39 years in the profession, is now a distinguished professor of law at the University of Detroit Mercy and loving it.)

Before tooling off to other Detroit social obligations, Mr. Mayor urged everyone to have a good time, but not so good that he would make the newspapers. About the most excitement after the official remarks were a few aggressive yellow jackets dive-bombing the hors d'oeuvres.

All in family

Some time back, I noted that **Rick Gosselin**, a former Pointer now at the Dallas Morning News, is considered one of the top football writers in the nation and was inducted into the Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio.

What I didn't know was that Rick's older brother, **Thomas Michael Gosselin**, a St. Ambrose grad with degrees from MSU in '71 and Wayne State Law School in '74, has been featured in the September issue of San Francisco Focus Magazine and on Superlawyers.com as one of the top 10 attorneys in northern California.

The latter designation came after 56,000 northern California attorneys were polled. Gosselin, a specialist in management labor law, formerly worked for the National Labor Relations Board and is a partner in Pahl and Gosselin.

There must be something about the water or the air in Grosse Pointe that generates high achievers, or maybe it's just good genes.

Water girls

Speaking of water, four girls from the Grosse Pointe

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Points about the Pointes

Music, the global economy and our children.... can the magic of the DSO help fill in the gaps?

It seems every time I pick up the Wall Street Journal or Forbes Magazine, there is an article about how the borders between countries are disappearing when it comes to the world we live in. The words "global economy" are not buzz words for economists any more. They are real life and will be even more so when our children hit the job market over the next decade.

Our schools work hard to prepare our children for this new borderless job market. One gap in

the well roundedness of our children that many of us parents (including yours truly) have allowed to occur is a void when it comes to a sound understanding and appreciation of instrumental and choral music.

While we require in middle and high school that our students take a physical education class in 5 out of 7 years, we have absolutely no requirement for any choral or instrumental music in middle or high school. We can debate the pros and cons of a sound body over an appreciation of music and the irrefutable fact that students with music in their lives do better in academics, but that isn't the point. The point is that The Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO) offers all of us a way to fill in this gap for our kids for less money than we would spend on a box of popcorn at the movies.

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Flagstar to build in Village

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

For the third time in a year, a bank will replace a neighborhood gasoline station in the Grosse Pointes, this time on Kercheval in the City.

Development continues the trend of financial institutions meeting client demands for services closer to home.

The latest move comes within months of a bank supplanting a station on the Hill in the Farms.

Flagstar Bank is due to replace the Marathon Service Station at 16821 Kercheval at Cadieux. Demolition is expected to begin later this year with construction in 2005, according to Dennis Miller, Flagstar assistant vice president of real estate.

The two-story building will be long and narrow, edging up to the Kercheval sidewalk and leaving room for a rear parking lot. Both floors will have 2,285 square feet. A corner entrance is planned on the side facing Cadieux.

Flagstar's branch in the City's Village central shopping district will provide services similar to a branch

being constructed on Mack near Cook in Grosse Pointe Woods. With one twist.

In the City branch, retail space is to occupy ground level. Banking offices will be upstairs.

It was a layout Flagstar officials didn't have to offer. Under City code, banks are exempt from rules reserving a percentage of first-floor space for retail.

Mike Kramer, head of the Grosse Pointe Village Association, praised the bankers for yielding shopping space.

"It upholds the integrity of the retail ordinance," Kramer said.

Miller has already started wooing retailers. High on the list is Cold Stone Creamery, makers of gourmet ice cream.

"That's the best," said Councilman Joseph Jennings.

Child safety

Most discussion at this week's city council meeting concerned Flagstar's drive-through service, scheduled 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Drive-ups are expected to generate 562 vehicle trips per day to and from the rear

parking lot and outdoor teller accessible only from Cadieux, according to a Flagstar traffic analysis.

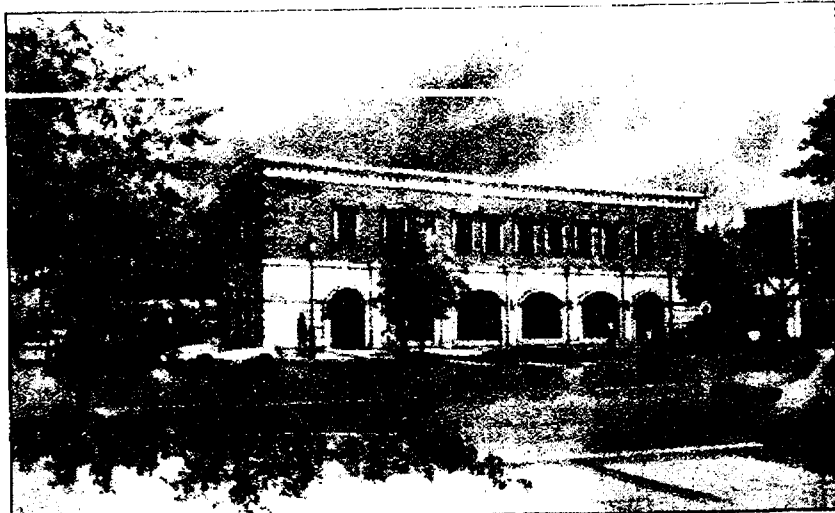
By comparison, Marathon generated 1,348 trips each day. But those were spread among three driveways, one on Cadieux and two off Kercheval.

"We're reducing traffic volume substantially from what is there today," said Tim Stoecker, Flagstar's legal counsel and resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

Yet drive-up service off Cadieux — a major cross-town artery feeding Maire Elementary School (across an alley from the bank), Bon Secours Hospital, the Village and adjacent residential neighborhoods — was, as Stoecker said, "the issue."

"Intensity of traffic will disrupt the pedestrian environment along Cadieux and create potential conflicts with the use of the adjacent alley by the (Maire) school for pick-ups and drop-off," said John Jackson, of the City's planning consultants McKenna Assoc. of Northville.

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Rendering by Vitale & Stucky Architects

Flagstar Bank's forthcoming office on Kercheval at Cadieux in the Village, above, will be the third bank in a year to replace a neighborhood service station in the Grosse Pointes.

Photo by Brad Lindberg

John Jackson, a planning consultant retained by the City of Grosse Pointe, left, shows how Flagstar Bank's new branch fits in with the Village.



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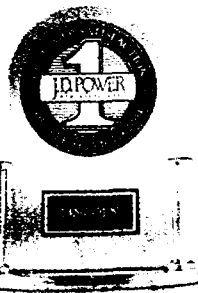
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Old office building replaced by new at 17266 Mack in City

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

An office building on Mack near Notre Dame will be replaced by a new commercial structure having a more residential flavor.

Demolition of what architect Robert Wakely called a "decrepit old building" will begin "as soon as possible."

Construction will begin before winter, he said.

The new building will contain the City of Grosse Pointe offices of Capital Investment, owned in part by Dr. Daher Rahi, a Grosse Pointe Shores physician.

"The proposed building will have two offices for lease," Rahi said.

He said Capital Investment will most likely share the building with an accounting firm.

Wakely, a City resident with offices in the Park, designed the forthcoming 3,500-square-foot structure to fit a long, triangular lot at

17266 Mack.

Wakely's rendering showed a brick exterior all around. He included evenly-spaced windows, green

'I promise you, we will make it one of the most beautiful buildings in the area.'

Dr. Daher Rahi
Physician

awnings and a 13-foot-wide stone entrance framing a front vestibule more than seven feet across.

A two-foot setback from the Mack sidewalk gives room for a row of low hedges.

"I promise you," Rahi said,

"we will make it one of the most beautiful buildings in the area."

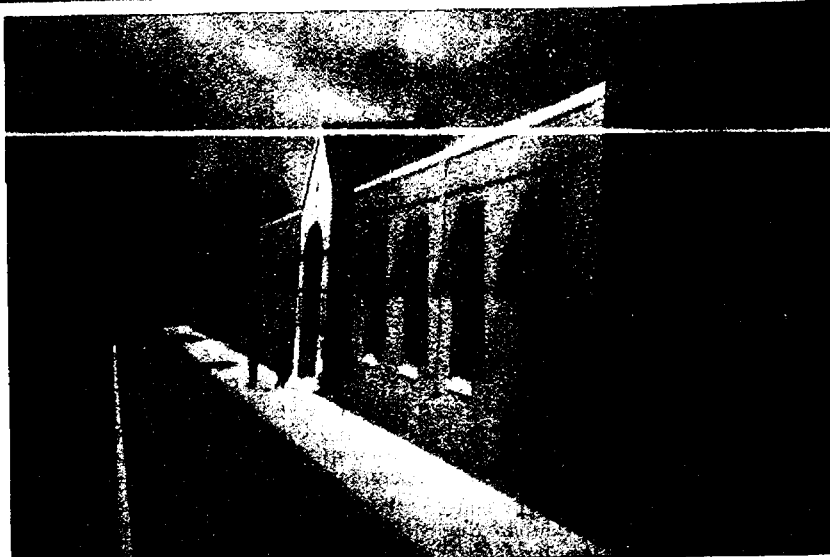
Wakely's design eased through a municipal site plan review this week with minor alterations.

Changes recommended by John Jackson, a planning consultant employed in the Northville office of McKenna Assoc., made Wakely's original design look more residential.

"It's meant to be a transition to nearby residential districts," Jackson said.

His ideas reflected City codes regulating structures in the commercial strip that back up to homes along the City's northern border.

"The intent (is) that buildings located adjacent to residential areas take on the appearance of a residential building to preserve the residential character," Jackson said. "We recommended that (Wakely) provide more details on the facade to



Rendering by Robert Wakely Assoc.

By spring, a new office building housing Capital Investments will replace an older commercial structure on a triangular-shaped lot at 17266 Mack in the City of Grosse Pointe.

break up the horizontal nature of the building. This will help reflect that scale and character of the buildings along Mack."

Wakely responded with vertical brick treatments that gave the structure a less institutional feel.

Other changes were:

- Replace proposed

bumper blocks in the parking lot with a two-foot curb that will double as a narrow sidewalk. "I have no problem with that," Wakely said;

• Enhance proposed landscaping with a four-foot brick and simulated wrought iron fence. Wakely had wanted a five-foot landscaped buffer, which com-

plied with code;

• Shield a rear Dumpster from view, if there is to be one.

The building faces Mack with main access from behind. A 14-space parking lot meets code. Two shielded light poles will illuminate the rear portion of the parking area.

Roland crackdown enters second phase in Grosse Pointe Farms

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Police issued 38 warnings and 22 tickets during a two-week crackdown on Roland and Maison, two streets in the northeast section of Grosse Pointe Farms that connect Chalfonte with Mack.

"Day and afternoon shift commanders have been advised to periodically patrol the area to ensure compliance," said Lt. Brian Bilinski.

Area homeowners requested increased police presence to calm traffic, curb illegal parking and eliminate commercial drivers who ignored rules

against using the residential streets to bypass traffic congestion at Mack and Moross.

Lunch-hour drivers on their way to popular restaurants and markets on Mack have been accused of clogging the side streets.

"I commend you and your department for increased visibility on Roland and surrounding streets," wrote Chalfonte residents James and Julie Schrage to Dan Jensen, deputy director of public safety.

Police also responded to complaints of landscape crews picnicking on front lawns.

"There is no question that your presence has made a

significant impact not only in the traffic flow, but it has also improved the cleanliness of the area," the Schrages wrote.

Police kicked off their 14-day focus with a two-day grace period.

On the third day, citations began.

Records showed 11 parking tickets. Seven drivers were cited for failing to yield. Three commercial drivers were cited for ignoring the cut-through rule. Police caught one speeder.

"As a matter of policy the traffic bureau will revisit this location from time to time throughout the year," Bilinski said.

G.P. Woods council to interview 3 city admin hopefuls Sept. 25

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council will consider three candidates to fill the vacancy of city administrator.

The brief announcement came after a closed council session on Monday, Sept. 20, in which the council pared down its list of 41 hopefuls.

Interviews will be conducted on Saturday, Sept. 25, from 8 to 11 a.m. in the city council chambers.

There was no mention of the candidates' names or

questions that would be asked of them. Such information is protected under the state's Open Meetings Act until the time of an interview.

No other comments were made about the executive search process by either Mayor Robert Novitke, the council or city attorney Don Berschback except for a request by Novitke to have Acting City Administrator Cliff Maison to authorize an outside firm to conduct background checks on the individuals to be interviewed.

A team of search consultants from the Michigan Municipal League has been working with the council in recruiting and screening candidates. They will aid the council through the interview process.

The Woods has been without a city administrator since March 11 when council members Lisa Pinkos Howle, Patricia Chylinski, Dona DeSantis Reynolds and Darryl Bidigare voted to remove Ted Bidigare from that position after almost five years of service.

Flagstar

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"It adds another intersection for the children, a concern for us," said Kathy Satut, Maire principal.

Jackson said the bank's initial traffic study, conducted while school was on summer recess, didn't record higher volume and congestion during the academic year.

• "The study fails to address the (morning) peak hour traffic conditions, which are critical because of the school drop-off, hospital traffic and drive-through traffic that begins as early as 7:30 a.m."

• "The proposed drive-

through is designed so stacking spaces will extend through the parking lot at peak business times. This will interfere with parking and circulation for patrons."

• The driveway on Cadieux will be too close to both Kercheval and the alley behind Kercheval. "If there are three cars waiting at the (traffic) light on southbound Cadieux at Kercheval the proposed driveway will be blocked. There are two cars waiting to enter the banking site, the alley will be blocked."

Flagstar answered with an updated study conducted after the resumption of school. Findings remained

favorable.

During mornings between 7:30 to 9 a.m., bank traffic consisted of 24 trips.

"Our afternoon peak hours are after the school lets out at 3:30 p.m.," said Stoecker. One of his children attends Marie.

Flagstar's impact study indicated bank traffic wouldn't burden the intersection. Bankers said the development will be an improvement over a gasoline station.

"These points may be true," Jackson said.

"However, we have concerns regarding the impact the proposed drive-through and driveway will have on the

safety in the immediate area. Although the two-story mixed-use building is in keeping with the City's recently adopted master plan, the impact of the proposed drive-through is not."

Councilman Richard Clarke said the proposed design was safer than the existing arrangement.

"It's as practical an answer as we're going to get," added John Stevens, councilman.

Ed Chrumka, in his second year as president of the Maire PTO, endorsed the plan.

"We are very pleased with what has been proposed," Chrumka said. "It's a signif-

icant safety improvement. We can't do enough to safeguard children on their way to school."

To meet city code, Flagstar needs to provide 21 parking spaces, but proposed only 18.

"The proposed configuration results in an isolated parking area that does not benefit from accessibility to adjacent parking area," Jackson said.

Councilmembers weighed everything and came out in support.

Their unanimous approval will yield a "high-end" building made of brick, stone and glass, according to John Vitale, architect with

Stucky & Vitale of Royal Oak and a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

His design favored a site plan placing "landscaping everywhere we could," he said.

Stoecker referred to a landscaped section near the corner of Cadieux and Kercheval a "plaza area at the gateway to the Village."

Councilman Stevens called it a "signature building." It sets the tone for the Village.

Jackson recommended a sidewalk entrance behind the building. Bank officials said the request could be accommodated after retailers are lined up.

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Librarians, support staff ratify pacts

It took more than two years of on-again, off-again negotiations, but it seems almost certain the Grosse Pointe librarians and support staff unions finally have new contracts.

We are not sure why it took so long, but we hope both labor and management are happy with the contracts and that they have learned lessons to prevent the stalemate from reoccurring four years down the road when the six-year contracts expire.

In order to force negotiations forward, the librarians successfully maneuvered a public opinion campaign with picketing, letters to the editor and making the evening television news.

Negotiations moved off dead center earlier this year when a Michigan

Employment Relations Commission fact finder's report was released and librarian and support staff unions "embraced" the fact finder's conclusions.

The library board never publicly "embraced" the fact finder's report, but its negotiating team did accept many of its terms and modified and improved on others.

Significant differences include a six-step salary scale, enabling employees to reach top pay more quickly, increased health care contributions by the employer and, as recommended by the MERC mediator at a four-hour negotiating session last week, a six-year contract instead of a four-year pact.

The latter point is an especially good idea. As it was, two years of the proposed four-year contract had already gone by. That means negotiations for a new contract could have begun as early as next year.

A lot of ill-will has been created over the last two years between the library board and its union employees and the public.

Residents and library patrons felt the library board was acting the Scrooge. They were appalled by accusations that Grosse Pointe librarians were the lowest paid in Michigan.

Outspoken library board president John Bruce became the lightning rod of public outrage. Recent board meetings became loud, acrimonious and

threatened to get out of hand. Mr. Bruce's attempts to maintain order were met with anger and suspicion and had the explosive effect of throwing gasoline on a fire.

The employer-union relationship is confrontational by its nature. The unions want what they believe is fair for their members, and the employer needs to maintain costs. Finding a middle ground of agreement cannot be easy for either side.

But we are glad the unions and library board have reached new contracts. The library board has yet to approve the contracts, but it is expected the board will give its approval Monday night.

With six-year contracts, we look forward to four years of peace and the opening of the new library branches in the Park and Woods.

We hope three or four years from now that all of us will have calmed down; our injuries will be healed, and the past two years will be but a bad memory. Let us all pray that the next round of negotiations will go more smoothly and be completed sooner rather than later.

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Where does the madness stop?

Some days it seems the world has gone totally mad. I wake up with brilliant sun streaming in my bedroom window, stagger to the kitchen for a cup of coffee and settle in with the newspapers on my lap and a news/talk show on the television. The assault begins. Most mornings the papers deliver news of further deaths in Iraq, on the highway and, too often in our own backyards (Detroit).

Enormous cruelty is evidenced in the stories of suicide bombers, hazing of students, mothers victimizing their own children and the murders of hundreds of innocent school children. This plague of terror appears to know no boundaries. Atrocities are committed in lands around the world. Animals and humans are starving, often countless innocents in one location. Children entrusted to foster care are abused, and on and on.

It's beyond comprehension how these atrocious acts are repeated. The religious wars continue through the centuries, and man's inhumanity to man is now a very old story. We still experience dissent in our churches, ironically ignoring the very tenets our religious teachings have taught us. When did we lose our senses, and where can we go from here?

What do we do today, in the 21st century, to make some headway in changing this heinous legacy that continues generation after generation? Our churches and synagogues try. Physicians offer solutions through therapy and drugs, but even the health crisis in this country sabotages those who cannot afford treatment. We seem to thrive on dissent and conflict.

The media continue to feed us their version of propaganda by publishing pictures of the victims of the current war, and they tear at our hearts. However, they seldom mention the deaths from automobile accidents or teenage suicides, whose numbers far surpass those lives sacrificed in the service of their country.

And where are the suggested solutions to these

significant issues on our own soil? What are we doing to help our troubled youth, and why isn't it a priority? Without our young people educated in a well-rounded curriculum, there will be severe consequences. We need only to look out our windows and read the headlines.

Politicians are playing such rough games that both parties are losing the respect of the citizens who seek to make intelligent choices this fall. Information is unreliable and trust elusive. In addition, the candidates' arguments are repetitive, juvenile and often just plain tiresome. And now, when this country needs most to unite and focus, another "tell all" pseudo author publishes her trash to further divide and confuse those ignorant enough to devour these types of books.

We certainly hope the average voter will not cast his vote because vicious gossips seize a chance to make some fast money.

Yes, we still have our heroes, and, thankfully, most of them we meet in our everyday living through their kindness and unselfish acts. Our true heroes shun the spotlight and just go about living the best lives they can each day. Their names don't often appear in newspapers. They are not seated on the boards of large corporations.

They are our neighbors and teachers, our civil servants, dedicated doctors, those who faithfully deliver our mail and the person who helps you bag your groceries or open a door when your arms are full. Perhaps these are the role models we should emulate and keep our goals simple and clear to better prepare ourselves to handle the big stuff that life throws our way.

And when we feel our fellow humans may have strayed far off the paths meant for us, we must remind ourselves that we still witness the joy and promise in the rainbows that follow our storms and the magnificent sunsets that close out so many of our days. Once again we know hope.

—Offering from the loft



Regular Grosse Pointe News cartoonist Phil Hands has graciously relinquished his space this week to allow his mentor, Draper Hill, to express a point of view. Mr. Hands will return next week.

Letters

Hunt Club events

To the Editor:

On behalf of the members and staff of the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, I want to let the entire Grosse Pointe community know how appreciative we are for the community's interest in our August and September equestrian shows.

So many of you supported the shows as exhibitors, visitors, or advertisers that a list would be difficult to compile and impossible to publish.

Riders from around the state who gather at the Hunt Club to participate in our horse and pony shows are often joined by competitors from surrounding states and Canada. The riders truly appreciate the public's interest in the events and the sport. This year's visitors were treated to very high levels of equestrian competition.

The excitement of the competition, the display of skill, and the riders' obvious commitment to their sport and their horses and ponies, all combine to make the weekends memorable and "let's come back next year" experiences. Those who spend time at the shows come away with a real awareness of the practice,

skill and "nerve" required to succeed at competitive riding. Riding is truly a "real" sport.

The entire Hunt Club family hopes that our visitors enjoyed the competition, the food and the results of the two years of investment in upgrading our facilities and grounds. As the crowds grow larger, the sense that something really exciting and appreciated is happening becomes nearly palpable.

The August and September shows are annual events. Please plan to join us again next year. You can count on the "red carpet" being rolled out to make you feel welcome as you enjoy a weekend of high-level equestrian competition.

If you have developed an interest in equine events or would like to find out what they are all about, call our office at (313) 884-9090 for information and a schedule of monthly schooling shows. The shows begin soon and continue through the spring.

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Harry B. Trout
President, Grosse
Pointe Hunt Club

Foxhunt memories

To the Editor:

Having spent wonderful summers as a teenager during the 1950s hunting and showing in the Metamora hunt country, I read with interest and enjoyment the article, "Foxhunting from Grosse Pointe to Metamora," printed in the Sept. 16 Grosse Pointe News.

However, I think the riders pictured were misidentified. The three young ladies shown together were Anne Higbie, Jo Rothman and Martha McDonald. They comprised the Metamora entry to regional Jr. Equestrian Team competition, styled on (but not a part of) U.S. Equestrian Team competition.

Furthermore, I am pretty sure Mary Alger was not the name of the rider on Dark Helen. There was a Suzette Alger and a Mary Boyer who might have been about the right age, but I do not know for a fact that either rode then.

Polly Ledyard
Grosse Pointe Farms

Editor's note: You have a good memory. You are correct on the three girls' last names, except new information has the Rothman girl named Lydia. The photo of

the girl on Dark Helen has the rider identified as Mary Alger in 1941. We've received many good comments about this Metamora story.

Good neighbors?

To the Editor:

Re: Grosse Pointe War Memorial Development Project: Can Change Improve Things?

Many neighbors attended the War Memorial's information program on Monday, June 28. The information was very well presented and the attendees seemed to have a fuller understanding of the predicament the War Memorial has created.

Bill Gilbride, War Memorial Board chairman, was very forthright and informative. His summary view was that Grosse Pointe has a tradition of backing at change. He suggested that our property values were lower than the west side as a result of this. His view that change is difficult is very true. To enact change requires a high level of trust between those who propose change and those who must change.

Reflecting on the last 20 years I remember:

1. The War Memorial's attempts to get a liquor license. First, they indicated

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Gators dive into area swimming pools

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Jerry Kaminski and a hand of dedicated parents proved that a little effort can go a long way.

In just under six weeks, a new swim club has been formed to serve the community during the winter months.

Before the Grosse Pointe Gators Swim Club, children usually signed up in masses at respective parks in the Lakefront Swimming Association during the summer. Each park has to juggle more than 100 swimmers at every skill level.

For the swimmer who wishes to continue the sport year-round at a more competitive level, Pointe Aquatics has been on the map for years.

But for Kaminski, whose 12-year-old son has been swimming since he was two, he felt the community was under-served.

"We were looking for another way to service the kids," said the Grosse Pointe Park resident. "We wanted to increase the availability of swimming options in the Pointes."

Along with his wife, Mary Jo, Kaminski teamed up with other swimming parents Andy Montague, Michael and Peggy Powell, Molly Brooks, Megan Pendy, Becky Mandel and Diane Dixon to form a new club.

Starting from scratch, the group conducted extensive research on the Internet, through national and state swimming associations, which provided a guide on how to start such a club.

A mission was established: to teach, train and motivate young swimmers while reinforcing strong values like self-respect, team



work, camaraderie and setting personal goals.

"We want to provide a quality experience for these kids," Kaminski said. "We hope to foster the same team spirit the summer teams have."

Despite a shortage of athletic coaches throughout the country, the Gators managed to pull together a stellar staff.

Aquatics director Valerie Lynn Richardson was a 16 time National High School All American and was named Collegiate All American Swimmer while at Michigan State University. She has been coaching all over the Ann Arbor area ever since and spent the last seven years in Florida as a coach and certified personal fitness trainer.

Anyone who's anyone in the Grosse Pointe swimming community knows the name Tim Kennary, who has been named the Gators' coach emeritus.

Jillian Curley and Christian Erard, captains of the Wayne State University women's and men's swim teams, respectively, will also join the Gators' coaching staff. Curley is also the coach of the Detroit Yacht Club's summer swim team, and Erard is assistant coach of the swim team at Plum Hollow Country Club.

"I'm amazed at the level of our coaching staff — it sells the whole program," Kaminski said. "The whole intent is to build a stroke technique-oriented program and to teach these kids how to swim right."

In just six weeks, the program was created; the coaching staff was hired; the Grosse Pointe Board of Education approved the use of district pools, and more than 100 came on board.

"We've got 80 swimmers right now, and another 40 are on a waiting list," Kaminski said. "Everything has fallen together so quickly. I don't know how many hundreds or thousands of hours these parents have put in to get us to where we are now — and it's all for the kids."

The Gators' first practice was on Monday, Sept. 20, from 4 to 7 p.m. There was only one minor "hiccup," as Kaminski calls it — the filter at Grosse Pointe South High School's pool broke down, and the team had to practice at Parcels Middle School instead.

Children age 8 to 14 are welcome in the program, with practices staggered by age and ability level. But

with a shortage of pool time, the Gators are limited to the 80 swimmers. Kaminski is looking forward to the construction of South's new swimming pool, set to begin sometime next year.

The high school swim coaches will look at the Gators as a feeder program as they already do with Pointe Aquatics. Kaminski sees both programs as viable, because of how much the sport can offer kids who participate. Swimming teaches discipline and drive, and it offers the best all-around exercise a person can get, he said. Combine the physical benefits with a sense of team spirit and good sportsmanship and increased self-confidence, and the Gators have created themselves a successful program.

For more information, visit the Web site, grossepointegators.com, or contact any of the program's board members.

Local students to appear in play at Masonic Temple

The Detroit engagement of the national tour of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," starring Jon Secada, will feature 32 local children in the chorus.

The family musical will appear at The Masonic Temple Theatre Oct. 5 through 10.

Emma Hintzen, 8, and Emma Kruse, 11, of the City of Grosse Pointe; Danielle Muawad, 11, of Grosse Pointe Woods; Moses Stringer, 12, of Grosse Pointe Park; and Heather Garey, 12, of St.

Clair Shores, were selected for participation in the show at an open casting call held earlier this month.

Taken from the last 13 verses of the Book of Genesis in the Bible, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," is the popular Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice musical which tells the story of Jacob's son Joseph and his coat of many colors.

Performance times for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at

the Masonic Temple Theatre, October 5-10 are:

• Tuesday through Friday at 8 p.m.

• Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

• Sunday at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Ticket prices for the Detroit engagement of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" range from \$19.50 to \$62.50. Tickets are now on sale at the Fisher Theatre box office and all Ticketmaster locations, or online at nederlanderdetroit.com.

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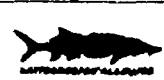
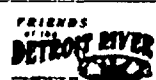
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Defer gets \$20,000 HVAC gift from PTO

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Defer Elementary School can't stand the heat.

And now thanks to a generous \$20,000 gift from its hard-working PTO, cooler air will now be blowing through some of its rooms.

PTO president Allison Baker of Grosse Pointe Park spearheaded the fundraising efforts.

"We haven't had a big project over the last several years, and we were cutting back on our fundraising," Baker explained. "This is our fund surplus, and we were trying to figure out the best project that could really impact the school."

Baker has a son in the fifth grade at Defer and a daughter in second. Her kids have experienced firsthand how detrimental the heat can be to the learning environment.

"Nowadays kids' allergies are a lot worse," Baker said. "Homes are air-conditioned. But then they go to school, and the air quality is nowhere near what they experience at home. My daughter has asthma, and ever since she's been at Defer, she's had nosebleeds."

Some classrooms surpass the 100-degree mark on thermometers at the beginning and end of each school year. Especially those on the second and third floors.

Defer's third floor underwent HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) improvements over the summer, with money from the district's \$62 million bond issue. Classrooms on the second floor were left on the back burner.

"We plan to address as many classrooms as we can (through the bond), but certainly we can not get to all of them," said Christian Fenton, the district's assistant superintendent for business affairs and support services.

That's when Baker and the PTO stepped up to the plate. An initial donation of \$80,000 to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education was rejected last month after concerns were raised because the funds were not in hand. A second offer of \$40,000 was also declined for the same reason. The final offer of \$20,000—hard cash the PTO already has—was approved by a grateful board at its meeting on

Monday, Sept. 13.

"We appreciate the generosity of the Defer PTO," said school district superintendent Suzanne Klein.

The donation is being coupled with funds from the bond issue in order to complete the HVAC improvements of four classrooms on the second floor of Defer. They house second and third graders as well as the all-day kindergarten room. These rooms are located at the south end of the building, where Baker said "the sun beats in the most." And much to her satisfaction, the project is slated to begin immediately, and is set for completion in the spring, just in time for the sun to rear its head again.

Meanwhile, the PTO is continuing its fundraising efforts full-speed ahead, with the intention of making good on its initial \$80,000 offer to cover HVAC improvements on the entire second floor.

"We're looking to improve the learning environment in such a way that it will benefit kids for years to come," Baker said. "We felt this was the best choice. This will actually affect every kid."



ULS awards Shammass scholarship

University Liggett School announced that Kristen Gloss of East China and Chelsea MacGriff of Grosse Pointe Farms have been awarded the Nicole Marie Shammass Memorial Scholarship.

"We really appreciate the Shammass family's generosity," said Patrick Roberts, director of external relations. "Kristen and Chelsea are exceptional students. We are happy to honor their hard work with this scholarship." The Shammass family, of Grosse Pointe Woods, established this gift in the name of their late daughter Nicole. Part of the school's need-based financial assistance program, recipients of the scholarship must show an interest in the performing arts. Both students are in the sixth grade.

North grads remembered through scholarship fund

Friends of Vince Meli and Michael Ciaramitaro, two 1996 Grosse Pointe North High School graduates whose lives were tragically cut short nearly two years ago, have shown that time doesn't heal wounds; people do.

The group, consisting of friends and family of both Meli and Ciaramitaro, raised more than \$43,000 last year, nearly doubling their initial goal, and established a memorial scholarship fund at North.

The fund will award a total of \$4,000 annually to a male and a female athlete who demonstrate qualities that embody the spirits of

both Meli and Ciaramitaro — leadership and a team mentality. It is North's largest annual scholarship presented to athletes, according to athletic director Chris Clark.

Meli attended Michigan State University after graduating from North, and in August of 2000, moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in screenwriting. He had worked at PiCTV and was an intern at Paramount Studios while taking advanced writing classes at UCLA when he accidentally drowned off the coast of El Segundo, Calif. on Sept. 18, 2002.

Ciaramitaro attended Western Michigan University and moved to Houston, Texas, in 2001. He was living with family members while working, attending classes at a local college, and preparing himself for a career in insurance. He was murdered while attempting to prevent a car theft on Feb. 2, 2003.

Both young men were athletes, and competed in football, basketball, track, and baseball at North.

Ciaramitaro had been captain of the Norsemen's football team, and Meli went on to become a walk-on for the MSU Spartans football team.

In June, the memorial scholarship fund's first two recipients, Christie Laetham (softball) and Bryan Bennett (soccer, basketball), were presented

with their awards by two fundraising committee members, Peter Torrice and Troy Bergman, at the Grosse Pointe North Sports Awards Banquet.

"It was bittersweet," Bergman said. "It felt good to know they will be remembered, but it was still hard knowing they are no longer with us."

On Friday, Oct. 15, a second fundraiser will be held at Sinbad's in Detroit at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at the door are \$15. The event will help ensure "that the fund will be around for years to come, and it will be great to get everyone together again," Torrice said. Bump, a local Grosse Pointe band, whose members were friends of both Meli and Ciaramitaro, are donating their perfor-

mance. "I think this scholarship fund is a perfect reflection of Vince and Mike and the lives they continue to touch," said Rachael Balsamo, Meli's cousin and committee member.

Donations to the scholarship fund can also be sent directly to the GP North Athletic Department, with checks made payable to the Meli/Ciaramitaro Fund.

"We are all so very grateful to everyone who helped make this memorial fund a reality," said Diane Scholtz, Meli's mother. "All the donations, the time, the love shown for our boys, we'll always remember."

For more information about the scholarship fund, visit vince42mike21@hotmail.com.

Last year, \$43,000 was raised to establish a memorial scholarship fund at Grosse Pointe North High School, in honor of Michael Ciaramitaro and Vince Meli, graduates of the Class of 1996, whose lives were both cut short. Pictured at left, the memorial scholarship fund's first two recipients, Christie Laetham (softball), and Bryan Bennett (soccer, basketball), were honored.

On Friday, Oct. 15, a second scholarship fundraiser will be held at Sinbad's in Detroit at 7:30 p.m., to ensure the continuation of the scholarship fund.



Dealing with weapons and violence in schools

The school violence epidemic continues: The Chippewa Valley High School incident is another horrifying reminder that school violence can happen anywhere.

Weapons are still finding their way into our nation's schools. As all of us struggle to find answers to the horrifying new streak of violence plaguing our schools, many children are confused, uncertain, and scared.

Eminent psychologist and author Dr. Ken Druck, the nation's foremost authority on school violence says parents and educators should "Be prepared."

• Don't do anything to put yourself in danger, such as taking matters into your own hands.

• Do go to a phone or to someone in authority immediately. Be specific and report the details.

• Don't go around telling your friends. Word may get back to the person carrying the weapon that you have been talking.

• Do talk about it only with the authorities. They will know how to handle the

situation.

• Don't ignore or deny the danger of someone having a weapon. Saying "It's OK, he's not going to hurt anyone," is a cop-out.

• Do take responsibility for making your school and neighborhood safer by taking safe action.

• Don't antagonize the person carrying the weapon, or try to take it away.

• Do try to calm down and reason with the person carrying the weapon, especially if there's no escape and you or another are at risk.

• Don't touch a weapon if you come across

one, but don't leave a weapon unattended.

• Do send someone for help, if you see or discover an unattended weapon.

Dr. Druck is founder of the Families Helping Families program and has worked with families at Columbine and Santana high schools, and at other sites of tragedy including New York City after 9/11. Dr. Druck has been interviewed on Oprah, Larry King Live, and dozens more shows nationwide. His latest book is "How to Talk to Your Kids About School Violence."

Four new ULS trustees

University Liggett School announced the appointment of four new trustees: Marianne O. Battani, Marquita S. Bedway, Thomas A. LaLonde and James T. Mestdagh.

Battani is a judge for the U.S. District Court for Eastern Michigan. Prior to her appointment to the federal bench in 2000, she served as a state circuit judge in Wayne County. Bedway is an assistant professor and pediatric psychologist at Wayne State University. LaLonde is a partner of Eastlake Cardiovascular in Roseville. A graduate of Wayne State University's School of Medicine, he also sits on the board of directors at St. John Hospital. Mestdagh is a real estate developer whose company, Landquest Properties, has offices in St. Clair Shores.

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Conventional public schools should be as accountable as charters

By Brian L. Carpenter

Envision a local public school that misappropriates federal grant monies, posts abysmal student test scores and carries an operating deficit on its books. After eight years of such poor performance, the state finally shuts it down. A bad school goes out of business.

No such thing, you say? Think again.

Accountability to this extent never happens in conventional public schools, in which problems like the above often constitute business as usual. Not so for Walter French Academy in Lansing. On June 30, it became the 15th charter school in Michigan since 1994 to be closed by its authorizer — and rightly so.

In a May 27 letter to the Academy's board president from the school's authorizer, the Charter Schools Office of Central Michigan University, the academy was informed that its contract — the legal charter to operate from which charter schools derive the name — would not be renewed. Justification for CMU's decision was ample:

• "Deficit operating fund balances for six consecutive years...(standing at) \$605,086" at the close of the 2003 fiscal year;

• "meetings (which) appear to have violated portions of the Open Meetings Act"; and

• "a poorly implemented educational program."

In addition to "these actions (which) demonstrate a consistent pattern of the Academy Board's lack of governance and leadership..." was a finding by the Michigan Department of Education in February of 2004 that the Academy spent \$135,443 in federal monies on building repairs that were not part of the proposal that secured the grant. Amidst these — and a plethora of other problems — the CMU Charter School Office did what should be done with a chronically failing school: It cut off the flow of taxpayer dollars.

While Jim Goenner, executive director of the charter schools office at CMU, says

the decision to close the school was "heartbreaking," he regards CMU's decision as "a victory for the charter school movement because it fulfills the promise." The promise that Goenner refers to is that charter schools were created with the idea that "performance will be rewarded and poor performance will be sanctioned." The ultimate sanction is to prevent the school from receiving public funds, which Goenner states simply as "accountability in action."

Many conventional public schools across the state produce equally dismal performances, but the sanction of closure appears to be nowhere imminent. The Detroit public school district, for example, is practically legendary for its inability to account for money. And despite "well above-average operating expenditures" of \$9,532 per student (according to Standard & Poor's School Evaluation Services), the district had a 30 percent passing rate on the 2002 MEAP test and a graduation rate of 69 percent. Modest improvements fostered by the reform-mind-

ed CEO, Kenneth Burnley, are often stymied by the unions and their political allies, and Burnley himself is the target of their ceaseless, aggravating efforts to thwart further change.

Whenever the possibility of competition arises, the teachers unions and their political allies can usually be counted on to oppose it at every turn. That happened most tragically just last fall in Detroit, when a \$200 million offer from a private philanthropist to open 15 charter high schools was nixed at the expense of the many inner city parents and students who thirst for such options. Raise the specter of more charter school options, and the usual suspects faithfully show up to block the schoolhouse door. With their own selfish interests a priority, they declare that "charter schools aren't accountable," even though no parents are compelled to send their children to them, and as the closure of the Walter French Academy illustrates, a bad one doesn't have an entitlement to eternity.

Should public schools

that spend a fortune as they fail to teach be allowed to continue, extracting more and more tax dollars year after year? Under the current arrangement, the answer depends on which public schools are in question. For Walter French Academy and other charter school closures which preceded it, the answer is no. If the schools are failing but are conventional public schools, the answer is yes. The question citizens should be contemplating is, When will conventional public schools ever be as accountable as charter schools?

Brian L. Carpenter is director of leadership devel-

opment at the Mackinac research and educational Center for Public Policy, a institute based in Midland.

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

VOTER REGISTRATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all residents of the City of Harper Woods who meet the following qualifications by October 4, 2004, shall be entitled to be registered as an elector in the precinct in which he or she resides for the General Election scheduled for November 2, 2004.

- Shall be a citizen of the United States;
- Shall be at least 18 years of age;
- Shall be a resident of this State;
- Shall be a resident of Harper Woods for at least 30 days.

Interested and qualified persons may make application to become a registered voter at the City Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. or any Michigan Secretary of State Office. The last day to register for the November 2, 2004, General Election will be Monday, October 4, 2004. If you are unable to come at the above times, or if you are in doubt as to the status of your registration, please call 343-2510.

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Mickey, D. Todd,
City Clerk

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September 23, 2004

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The work includes the packaging and moving of misc. furniture, reading materials, and A/V materials from the existing library located 15430 Kercheval Ave. Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan. Work also includes the delivery and unpacking of goods at the new 15,000 s.f. facility located at 15175 East Jefferson Ave., Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan.

The Library anticipates awarding a contract in mid-October; the moving dates are anticipated to be November 15 through 17. The substantial completion date for the facility is scheduled for November 16, 2004.

The Library reserves the right to adjust any/all proposals submitted and to accept any proposal which it shall deem to be the most favorable to the interest of the Library.

Additional information regarding the move procurement may be obtained from the Library's Owners Representative, Plante & Moran, CRESA, LLC, Paul R. Wills, AIA at (248) 223-3316.

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

**NOTICE OF LAST DAY
NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION
FOR
GENERAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004**

To the Qualified Electors of Grosse Pointe Park & Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe—Wayne County, Lake Township—Macomb County

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Monday, October 4, 2004 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.

If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the above stated jurisdictions in which you live you may do so at the following locations and times listed in this notice.

Qualified electors may also register to vote or change their address in the following manners:

IN PERSON:

- At your city/township clerk's office or at the office of any county clerk **DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.**
- At any Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours.
- At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.
- At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

BY MAIL:

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GPN: 09/23/04 & 09/30/04

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2004**

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 9, 2004, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustees Employment Retirement System Meeting held August 9, 2004.
- 2) To open the Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant fund transfer.
- 3) To close the Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant fund transfer.
- 4) To adjourn to budget session to discuss 2005 budget issues.
- 5) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 71433 through 71686 in the amount of \$1,373,142.50 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$7,873.75 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of July 2004. (3) Approve payment to Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. in the amount of \$5,616.10 for professional services in conjunction with the Eastland tax appeal. (4) Approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$5,040.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of July 2004.
- 2) To transfer \$4,070.10 from the 2002 Kelly Road Improvement account to the Services for Older Citizens and Pointes Area Assisted Transportation accounts, each receiving \$2,035.05.
- 3) To approve payment in the amount of \$590,706.72 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain principal and interest payments on the 1991, 1992 and 1993 Series Bonds

Kenneth A. Poynter,
Mayor

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 09/23/2004

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

**SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2004**

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

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Mayor Pro-Tem Davis II; Councilmembers Roby, Joseph, Theros, Leonard and Waldmeir.

Those Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Jensen, Deputy Director Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 9, 2004, were approved as corrected.

The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the Minutes of the Public Hearing held July 12, 2004; granted the appeal of Gloria Stonisch, 371 Lake Shore; adjourned the Public Hearing of Josephine Collins, 203 Lakeview to October 11, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council denied the fence permit appeal of Sibyl Jacques at 89 Lake Shore.

The Council approved the Pier Park Recreation Building Project.

The Council approved the Bond Authorization — Notice of Intent Resolution.

The Council rescheduled the Public Hearing for the Erosion Control Ordinance to Monday, October 11, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council approve the following from the Consent Agenda:

- a) Bid on Ford 4x4 F-350 Pickup Truck for the DPW.

The Public Safety Department Report for July, 2004 and the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures were received by the Council and ordered placed on file.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCT. 11, 2004 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

James C. Farquhar, Mayor

Shane L. Reeside City Manager/City Clerk

GPN: 09/23/04

Caught stealing

A clerk at a store in the 17100 block of Kercheval caught a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male shoplifting a copy of "Dungeons & Dragons" on Thursday, Sept. 16, a few minutes before noon.

"(The clerk) observed (him) place the book in a folder and place it in his duffel bag," police said.

Confronted by the employee, the boy produced the book.

Police found him sitting on the floor at the front of the store between bookcases.

Gun stolen?

On Saturday, Sept. 18, at 3:30 p.m., a 61-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man reported the possible theft of his model 36 Smith & Wesson 38-caliber five-shot revolver. The gun is missing from property he owns on Carmel Lane in the Farms.

"(He) kept the gun in an unlocked dresser near the bed in the master bedroom,"

police said.

He'd moved the weapon numerous times during the past year to accommodate remodeling crews.

"He lost the gun during remodeling and thought he would find it eventually," police said.

Thief takes ATM card

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 5:34 p.m., a man working at a business in the 18700 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms reported an unknown thief had entered the company locker room and taken an automatic bank teller card from his wallet.

Bike stolen at school

Between 12:15 and 3:05 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 13, someone stole a \$300 GT Flame seven-speed girls bicycle parked unlocked on the ramp to the television building at Grosse Pointe Farms high school.

Police said the victim didn't lock the bike because her previous bicycle was stolen despite being locked.

That's not entertainment

Grosse Pointe Farms police said a 68-year-old male resident reported being beaten, blindfolded, robbed and dumped on the streets of Detroit last week.

He'd answered a newspaper advertisement for "entertainment services" offered at a house on Detroit's eastside, police said.

During an interview with officers at an area hospital on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 4:21 a.m., the man recounted a three-hour ordeal that began at midnight.

Upon driving his 2004 Honda Accord to the house in the area of Harper and Chalmers, the man said he was ushered within by a man armed with a silver handgun. Inside, the Farms man was punched in the mouth, blindfolded, taped to

a chair in the basement and left alone for an estimated 1 1/2 hours.

His assailant and an unknown woman returned to say they'd been to his house in the first block of Kenwood.

Still blindfolded, his captors drove him to "somewhere" on Dickerson in Detroit and dumped him off, police said. A cab driver called police. EMS took him to the hospital.

Farms police checked the Kenwood residence. Lights were on, a porch door open, drawers open and garbage strewn on the kitchen floor. Missing items consisted of a DVD player and costume jewelry, police said.

Straddling

A 33-year-old Detroit male motorist who was pulled over for straddling both lanes of westbound Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms was wanted in Warren for failure to appear in court on a traffic offense.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, at 1:10 a.m., Farms police

released the man's 1984 Oldsmobile four-door to his 33-year-old female passenger, also of Detroit.

Farms police delivered the man over to Warren police at Gratiot and I-696.

Driving erratic

At about 9 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16, a cellular telephone caller told Grosse Pointe Shores police of a suspected drunken driver on southbound Lakeshore.

Officers pulled over the suspect and learned he was an 89-year-old male, sober and heading home to Grosse Pointe Farms.

Peddler wanted in court

A 26-year-old man going door-to-door on Fairford in Grosse Pointe Shores last week turned out wanted in Florida for grand theft and drug possession.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, at 2:55 p.m., Shores police caught the 26-year-old Kentucky resident "going into the rear yard of (a house)."

The man was peddling cleaning products for a New Jersey company.

Florida officials said they wouldn't extradite. Shores police contacted the man's supervisor to retrieve the salesman "immediately, or (he) will be arrested," police said.

Open sewer grate

Several cell phone callers alerted Grosse Pointe Shores police to an open sewer grate in the 700 block of Lakeshore on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at about 11:45 a.m.

Officers slid the grate back in place.

Well done

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 6:32 p.m., a 52-year-old woman living in the 600 block of Lakeshore called Grosse Pointe Shores police regarding a barbecue problem.

"(The) grill flame was getting out of hand," she reportedly told police.

An officer went to the house in short order.

"She was able to get it under control and didn't need assistance, police said.

Expired license

A 19-year-old Ypsilanti man arrived at Grosse Pointe Shores police headquarters on Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 3 p.m., to ask about a traffic ticket he'd received for driving with an expired license.

Records showed the man had failed to appear in Shores Municipal Court and was wanted on a \$2,000 warrant.

The man spent four hours in jail waiting for his Army recruiter to arrange bond.

Shot up car

A blue 1999 Chevrolet Lumina four-door being driven southbound on Lakeshore caught the eye of a Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officer on Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 10:20 a.m.

"The vehicle had what appeared to be four bullet holes in the driver-side door," police said. "The driver-side door lock cylinder was punched."

The driver, a 31-year-old man from Harrison Township, was stopped at Webber.

He had seven driving suspensions and was wanted in 36th District Court for a traffic violation.

Officers impounded the Lumina, which wasn't listed stolen, and released the man on \$200 bond.

Speeder has five warrants

A 26-year-old Detroit man with three driving suspensions and five warrants was caught speeding last week in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Police clocked his black

2004 Cadillac Escalade at 51 mph on Lakeshore near South Decleands, a 25 mph zone.

During a traffic stop officers learned the driver was wanted by 36th District Court on two charges of soliciting prostitutes and three charges of driving while suspended. Bond totaled \$500.

Officers impounded his SUV. Police released the man at 11:30 a.m. on \$650 bond.

— Brad Lindberg

Car damaged

The driver's side window and door lock of a 1995 Plymouth parked in the street in the 1200 block of Kensington in Grosse Pointe Park were damaged during the night of Sunday, Sept. 12.

Attempted truck theft

A witness claimed he saw two men attempt but fail to gain entry into a pickup truck parked at a construction site in the 20600 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods at 1:10 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

The men were seen getting away westbound on Vernier in a 1989 Dodge.

Kittens cited

An employee of a pet shop in the 20100 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods discovered a box with three kittens left in the alley behind the shop at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

The kittens and a citation were left with a local animal clinic.

Car falls in hole

A motorist drove her car into an unbarricaded hole at the corner of northbound Mack and Huntington in Grosse Pointe Woods at 6:16 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

A tow truck was needed to pull the car's front passenger end out of the hole. The Department of Public Works was called in to properly block off the hole.

Deflated

A car parked in a driveway in the 500 block of Pear Tree in Grosse Pointe Woods sustained deflated tires and two broken tail lights sometime between 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14, and 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Since the tires could not be reinflated, Woods officers believe the tires were slashed.

Bikes stolen

Two L.L. Bean hybrid bikes were taken from a garage in the 21500 block of Eastbourne in Grosse Pointe Woods sometime between 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 15, and 1 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16.

A red Honda BMX bike was stolen from a school in the 20600 block of Mack sometime during the morning or afternoon of Friday, Sept. 17. The owner of the bike said the bike was not locked and that the bike had no license.

Bikes found

Two bikes were recently found by public safety officers on patrol in Grosse Pointe Woods.

A black and red mountain bike was found in bushes in the 1200 block of Parkway at 8:49 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16.

A girls 24-inch bike in poor condition was found left unlocked against a tree in a parking lot of a school in the 700 block of Vernier at 1:20 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 20.

A red Dyno boys bike was found lying next to a garage by a resident in the 21700 block of Eastbrook on the

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Bank hit by two bomb scare-robbery plots

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

A suspected serial bank drive-through robber struck a bank in the 18500 block of Mack in Detroit twice in the past week on Thursday, Sept. 16, and Saturday, Sept. 18.

On both occasions, the unknown suspect placed a device that looked like a bomb through a drive-through window and demanded money from the teller.

"She (the teller) gave him a small amount of money, and he drove away," said FBI Special Agent Terry Booth.

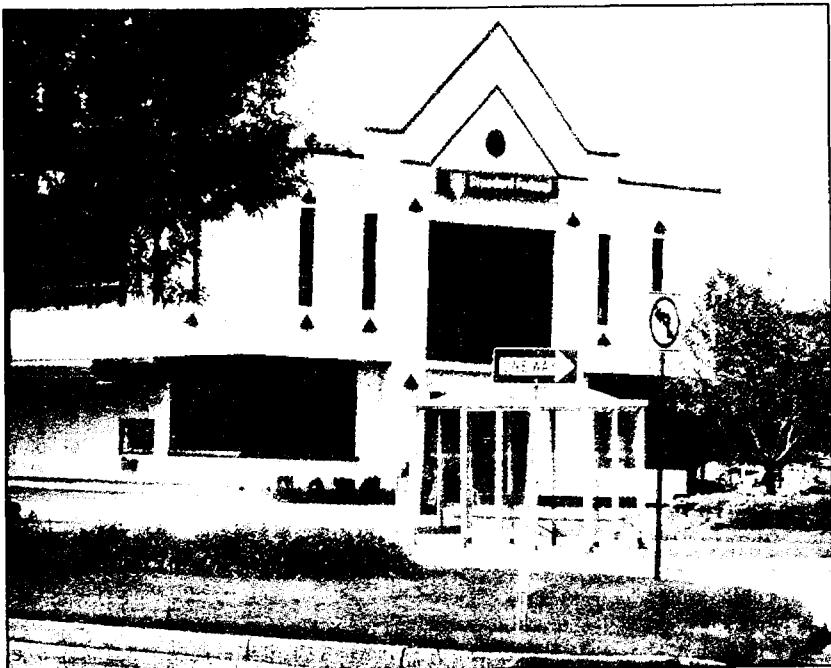
Booth declined to say how much money the suspect got away with.

The first incident took place at about 11 a.m. Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers were the first on the scene.

"One of our guys heard about it on the Detroit scanner and alerted us," said Grosse Pointe Farms public safety Lt. Jack Patterson. "We had some guys who were only blocks away, so we were first on the scene. By the time we made the scene, he (the robbery suspect) already left. Since the building had already been evacuated, and everyone was accounted for, we started getting people out of the parking lot. We had everything shut down before Detroit arrived."

Patterson said Detroit's response time was about four minutes.

"That's pretty good, and luckily their bomb squad was training at Baldvick Park," Patterson said.



The second incident took place at noon on Sept. 18.

Booth believed the same unknown suspect has made a total of six unsuccessful bank drive-through robbery attempts at four other banks in Detroit and Roseville in the past week.

"Based on the modus operandi, we believe it's the same suspect and that he'll strike again," Booth said. "He seems to be pretty desperate for money."

Booth gave only a brief description of the suspect as being a black male approximately 30 years old wearing a baseball cap. He would not give a description of the vehicle the suspect was driving.

"With the drive-through, there's a bit of obscurity," Booth said. "He's sitting down, and the bank doesn't have cameras in the vicinity."

Sgt. Dan Reed, an explosives technician with the Detroit Police Department, was responsible for remotely opening the package that was sent through the drive-through tray on Sept. 16.

"It looked like an old CB radio," Reed said.

The incidents forced Detroit Police and FBI investigators to close the Detroit and Grosse Pointe Farms sides of Mack between Touraine and Kerby.

Grosse Pointe Farms busi-

nesses on Mack were alerted of the problem but were not asked to evacuate their buildings.

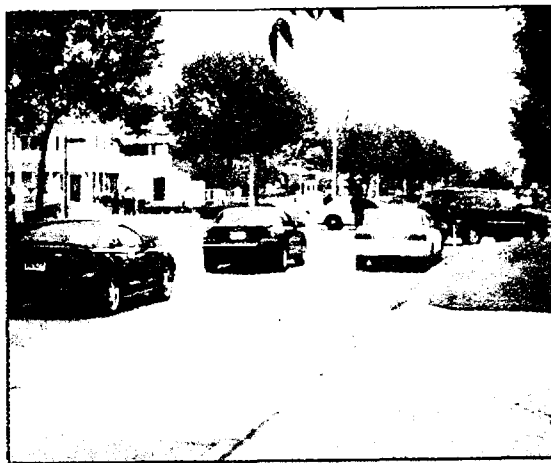
Employees interviewed at the time of the bomb scare/robbery investigation on Sept. 16 were curious but not frightened of the events taking place across the street.

"We're doing fine," said Gloria Webb, customer service supervisor at the U.S. Postal Service office in the 18600 block of Mack in the Farms, just kitty corner from the investigation scene. "They came by at about 11:30 and told us to

This bank at the corner of Mack and Warren in Detroit was targeted twice — on Thursday, Sept. 16, and Saturday, Sept. 18, by a suspect who demanded money with the use of a bomb-like device placed in a drive-through window tray.

Below, traffic on Mack in Detroit and Grosse Pointe Farms between Touraine and Kerby was rerouted for about an hour and a half while Detroit police and FBI agents investigated an alleged robbery and bomb scare at a bank in the 18500 block of Mack in Detroit on Thursday, Sept. 1.

Detroit Police officers and FBI agents, bottom far left, assist a Detroit police officer in putting on protective gear to open a package that contained a suspected bomb which turned out to be an old citizen's band radio, below.



stay in the building," Webb said. "Most of our mail carriers were already out."

The post office was not closed to customers, but customer traffic was light while investigators were working the scene.

Bob Van den Boom of Oxford was visiting a rela-

tive who lives in the area when he came to the post office at about 12:15 p.m.

"I didn't know what was going on out there, but I had to get my package out in the mail today," Van den Boom said.

Employees at a bar in the 18600 block of Mack in the Farms were more curious than scared about the incident.

"I think the police have the situation under control," bartender Irene Bielawski said. "We're far enough away from the bank, and we have no glass windows here."



Safety

From page 16A

morning of Thursday, Sept. 16.

Driver hits pole

A Grosse Pointe Woods woman nearly toppled a utility pole in the 2300 block of Allard in the Woods when she ran into it at 4:12 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 17.

The woman told a public safety officer that she was OK and did not require medical attention, but had either passed out or fallen asleep at the wheel before hitting the pole.

She admitted that she had a few glasses of wine that afternoon.

The woman passed a series of field sobriety tests, but registered a blood alcohol level of 0.108 percent on a Breathalyzer test. She was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

Prowler

A resident in the 1500 block of Roslyn in Grosse Pointe Woods reported a suspected prowler in her driveway early morning on Saturday, Sept. 18.

The resident said her dog started barking at 12:45 a.m., which was unusual for the dog.

At 1 a.m., she answered

the doorbell, looked to see who rang it, and saw a male juvenile sitting in her driveway.

The youth said he was just sitting, and then left on foot eastbound on Roslyn.

Clubs stolen at club

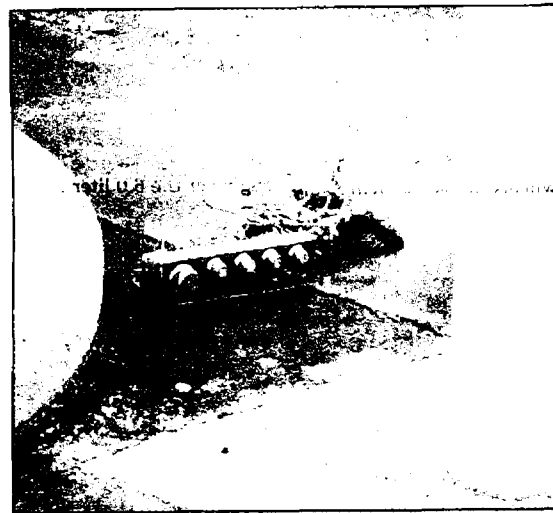
A pro shop at a private club in the 1000 block of Sunningdale in Grosse Pointe Woods is missing four

Taylor Made R7 Quad golf clubs valued at \$600 each.

The clubs were noticed missing after an employee spent time answering a lot of questions from a man about 35 to 40 years old with red hair and a mustache who was wearing a white shirt, white shoes and gray pants at about noon on Sunday, Sept. 19.

The theft suspect was seen leaving the club in an older model black Honda.

— Bonnie Caprara



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Friday's gains wiped out by Coca-Cola's news

Which market is right, bonds or stocks?

Bonds make more news than stocks, rarely. Last week, the bond market turned in an ear-popping rally, just a week before the Federal Reserve Open Market Committee was expected to bump short-term interest rates by 1/4 of 1 percent, which it did last Tuesday.

Meanwhile, stocks have been rallying off their early August lows for five weeks now, gaining almost 500 points on the Dow, feeling better now that the election polls gave the president a 4-to-8-point lead. (Which poll did you read?)

Inflation has calmed down, in spite of crude oil bouncing back to close at \$45.59 a barrel last Friday.

Employment continues to jump around with fits and false starts. The "growing economy" sometimes feels like the dead of winter, instead of spring's growing season.

Maybe the weather is to blame. In the Great Lakes area, we had a cool spring and very wet summer. (The reason LTS couldn't find his swimsuit ... it was in the winter closet!)

Summer barely came and hastily withdrew, leaving the electric utilities devoid of their air conditioning profits this year.

Now we're watching the falling leaves one month early. Coca-Cola's surprise announcement last Friday warned that their third-quarter profits would be well below expectations because the hot summer weather over North America and Europe has yet to arrive.

For the week, Coca-Cola stock flattened 2.41 points, or 5.6 percent!

Long a favorite of "value investors", Coke has long

been one of Warren Buffet's largest holdings. Coke is also one of the 30 Dow Industrials.

Even though last Friday was a "quadruple witching day," and option investors rushed to close out their positions, the overall week was again disappointing. NYSE volume only totaled 6.27 billion shares, or 1.25 billion per day.

Recently, LTS has been conducting a one-man, informal, personal, non-scientific poll, inquiring of professional brokers and individual investors, "Have you made any (many) security transactions (buying or selling) in the last three months?"

The silence was overwhelming! The individual investor, big or small, has not been participating in the market recently. It was almost unanimous!

When LTS asked why, the answers came from all over the lot: Iraq; terrorism; inflation of crude oil and most commodities; "You can't trust anyone any more — your priest, your banker, your financial adviser, etc."

How do you recover this loss of faith in the trustworthiness of the financial leaders? Probably, only one step at a time. It may take years; it may take decades.

New ratings for mutual funds

Last week, LTS reviewed part of Morningside's plan to rate 2,600 mutual funds by next year. The new rating is called its "Fiduciary Grade."

This new "Fiduciary Grade" focuses on the "quality" of fund management, never considering "market price performance," since that is the subject of Morningside's "5-Star Ratings," which have been publicly available for years.

Let's talk... STOCKS

By Joseph Mengden

SEPTEMBER 23, 2004

Morningside said the new ratings will consist of a single letter from "A" (highest) to "F" (lowest), which will be a composite of the quality of each of the five underlying components: 1) regulatory issues, 2) board quality, 3) manager incentives, 4) fees and 5) corporate culture.

Security analysts are especially interested in seeing how Morningside will handle the "regulatory issues" component, which has already embroiled dozens of the oldest, largest and most-respected funds for the past year.

Some analysts feel that



the two most controversial components — regulatory issues and fees — may become overweighed in the final grading.

Regulatory problems were almost non-existent for decades in the self-regulated mutual fund industry. In the late 1990s, Congress slashed the SEC's staff appropriations. At the same time, trillions of new cash flowed into the industry, and new funds proliferated. Thus, annual examinations by the SEC became impossible.

State securities examiners were also severely understaffed, but in

September 2003, only one year ago, Eliot Spitzer, attorney general of New York, announced a \$40 million settlement from Canary Capital Partners, an unregistered hedge fund that caved in without admitting or denying guilt of trading mutual fund shares after the 4 p.m. (EST) "lock-up" and receiving the back-dated closing price.

Spitzer scooped the SEC, which was unaware of this fairly common practice. Most important, Spitzer now had the cash to hire additional examiners and attorneys.

Also initially named were other fund managers, including Janus, Bank One, Bank of America and the private Strong group, all of which have come to some sort of settlement. But the settlement of these regulatory issues remains in the

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 9/17/04	
Dow Jones Ind.	10,284
Nasdaq Comp.	1,910
S&P 500 Index	1,129
Euro	1.2182
Crude Oil (Bbl.)	45.59
Gold (Oz.)	406.10
3-Mo. T-Bills	1.69%
30-Yr. T-Bonds	4.92%

fund's permanent file, just as a "dishonorable discharge," remains forever in a serviceman's file.

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Technology: Look, Mom! No hands!

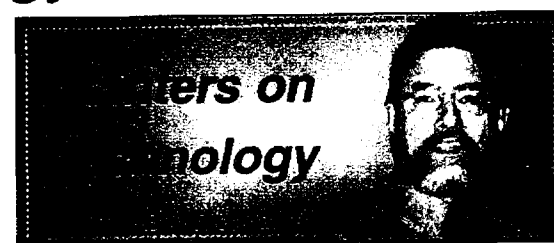
Has the era of hands-free Web surfing arrived? Dmitry Gorodnichy, an inventor from the Institute of Information Technology in Ottawa, Canada, has developed a computer navigation system that relies on the movements of a user's nose to direct a cursor.

For good measure, a simple blink of the right or left eye corresponds to the right or left click of a mouse button. The inventor expects the nose-steered mouse, or "nouse," will make using a computer easier for people with disabilities. Another possible beneficiary could be video game enthusiasts who would like to slay bad guys with the bob of the head and blink of an eye.

The technology works in conjunction with a single webcam plugged into a computer's USB port. From the onset of a session, the nouse's webcam takes a snapshot of the user's face, focusing on the tip of the nose as the guide point. Gorodnichy chose the nose because it is easier to track than other facial features, the magazine said.

Now, where can we go with this?

Don't stick (click) your nose in somebody else's business computer. Don't pick your nose in public. If you have a better one, send it to me at my e-mail address below. After all, everyone knows I have a



nouse for news.

Here is an item near and dear to my heart, since my sons are handicapped.

The Engineering Society of Detroit and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Michigan Chapter has announced the winners of their DaVinci Award. It's given to those in the design field who go beyond the bare requirements of barrier-free access laws.

Nominations came from across the United States and from as far away as India. Winners will be honored at the fourth annual dinner Oct. 29 at the Ritz Carlton Dearborn.

The first place winner is from University of Texas mechanical engineering Professor Richard R. Neptune, who applied laser sintering to improve the components in ankle and foot prostheses.

Second place was a Michigan entry, the All Kids Playground built by the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit

Section. The play structure accommodates all children regardless of physical, sensory or developmental limitations.

Also from Michigan was 10th-place winner Chandler Macocha, a 12-year-old boy who developed a wheelchair backpack. An adaptable wheelchair backpack may seem awfully simple, but sit down in a regular chair with a backpack on and see what it takes to get it on and off.

On a related topic, most of the "handicapped accessible" restrooms in entertainment venues or businesses are not accessible. Want proof? Take a wheelchair to the location of your choice and try to use it. Start outside the restroom's main door, where designers never consider. See if you can make it inside using one hand for the door and one for the chair.

We always look forward in this column, but just for now let's return to the thrilling days of yesteryear.

WCCCD shows business operations on Web site

Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD) is taking a national lead in making its finances and day-to-day operations more open and accessible to the public. WCCCD will continuously post detailed financial, operational and performance information on its Web site at wcccd.edu.

"We believe in open, transparent and accountable rela-

tionships with all of our stakeholders," said WCCCD Chancellor Dr. Curtis Ivery. "We are now using the technology of the Internet to provide regularly updated information on everything we do, from student enrollment and faculty attendance to financial operations and campus construction updates."

The Web site "transparency initiative" will cover all

critical functions of the district. Information will include capital investments, campus expansion programs, revenues and expenses, student enrollment, state of Michigan financial audits information, staff and faculty training and development, student services and improvements. Information will be so detailed that even daily faculty attendance and campus

inventory schedules will be available.

The information sections will be rolled out over the next few months as this new part of the WCCCD Web site is built. It will be updated on a regular basis.

The district is in the midst of significant capital investment projects on all five campus locations. The status and financial updates of all of these investments will be available on the site.

As part of the district's effective customer service campaign, a student response center with a toll-free number has been established, so current and prospective students can call with inquiries, problems or suggestions. The center guarantees a response within 24 business hours.

State rep holds open office time

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Business people

Kelvin W. Scott was appointed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm to sit on the Michigan Civil Rights Commission.

Scott, of Grosse Pointe Park, is vice president and general counsel with Plastech Engineered Products of Dearborn. He is a former assistant United States attorney for the Eastern District Criminal Division. He is a former president and current member of the Wolverine Bar Association, and serves on the Michigan Supreme Court Committee on Model Civil Jury Instructions.

Scott was appointed to represent Democrats for a term that expires on Dec. 31, 2007. He replaces Melvin "Butch" Hollowell, who resigned.

Zoila Brown, former media relations manager of St. John Health System, has joined the media relations staff at Henry Ford Health System.

Brown is a resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Top rated 2004 Buick Rendezvous AWD

By Greg Zyla

This week, we test drive the 2004 Buick Rendezvous AWD with the special \$9,640 Ultra option package — base price: \$29,370; price as tested: \$39,695. Powered by a new all-aluminum 3.6-liter V-6 engine, this Rendezvous rates at the very top of Buick's SUV offerings and comes loaded with just about every option one can think of.

The Rendezvous can seat five to seven passengers, looks good (much better than Pontiac Aztek), handles well and offers the ride and comfort usually associated with Buick's Park Avenue model. The comfy ride comes thanks to uni-body construction, which is the passenger-car standard for the industry.

Under the hood, the new dual-overhead-cam V-6 produces 245 horsepower at 6,000 rpm and offers excellent low-end torque. All of this power is hooked to Buick's trusty four-speed automatic transmission with overdrive, resulting in 18 miles per gallon city and 25 mpg highway EPA numbers.

(During our test, we never came close to these numbers and averaged about 15 mpg for our in-town and highway combined average. A smaller 3.4-liter V-6 that puts out 185 horsepower is available in the entry- and mid-class Rendezvous, and we feel it will deliver mileage closer to the sticker EPA numbers with the AWD option.)

Inside, you'll enjoy lots of wood accents, a nice gauge package, comfortable seats and easier access to the third row. The third row is somewhat bigger than most "three-row" SUVs, and two

adults can indeed fit, albeit a bit tightly. The third-row also folds flat into the floor for maximum cargo capacity, noteworthy for trips to the home center. A cargo storage system that includes a sliding tray is standard.

Ultra upgrades include leather seats, second-row captain's chairs, wood trim steering wheel, six-disc CD changer with eight speakers, heads-up instrument display, electronic rear lift gate, aluminum wheels, tire inflation monitor, heated front seats, OnStar, XM Satellite radio, third-row seat, power front seats, dual-zone climate control, rear-seat audio, crossbar luggage rack, rear parking aid and front and side air bags.

Despite its good ground clearance (7 inches), getting in and out of the Rendezvous AWD is quite easy. First- and second-row seats are easy to access, something we appreciated when shopping with an elderly family member.

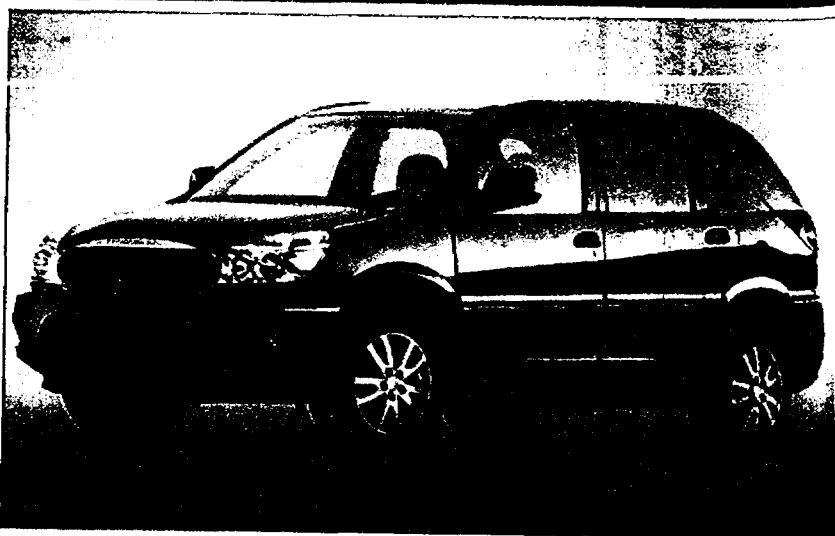
On the highway, Rendezvous offers a smooth ride yet is still a good handler for an all-wheel-drive crossover vehicle. Stopping ability is excellent, with four-wheel disc brakes and ABS assisting. We took Rendezvous on several winding country roads, and rate its handling an "A." The MacPherson strut front and short/long rear suspension help in this regard, as does a 17-inch tire upgrade that comes with the Ultra package.

The AWD system, dubbed Versatrak by GM, is fully automatic and needs no input from drivers. If 4x4 is needed, sensors tell the rear wheels to get moving and

assist the front. It's that simple, yet more complex as each rear wheel acts independently. Your Buick dealer can explain.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 112.2 inches, 18.1 to 108.9 cubic feet of cargo space (determined by seat arrangement or removal), 18-gallon fuel tank (premium fuel recommended) and a 2,000-pound trailer towing capacity (3,500 with optional tow package).

Buick Rendezvous Ultra is a luxurious, nearly 4,000-pound vehicle. It offers excellent configuration options, looks good, hauls



2004 Buick Rendezvous AWD

people and lumber, and accelerates very well. Therefore, Rendezvous receives a strong eight on a

scale of one to 10. Likes: Drives like a car, comfortable, better performance with new V-6.

Dislikes: Poor fuel economy, dated minivan platform, traction control optional. — King Features Syndicate

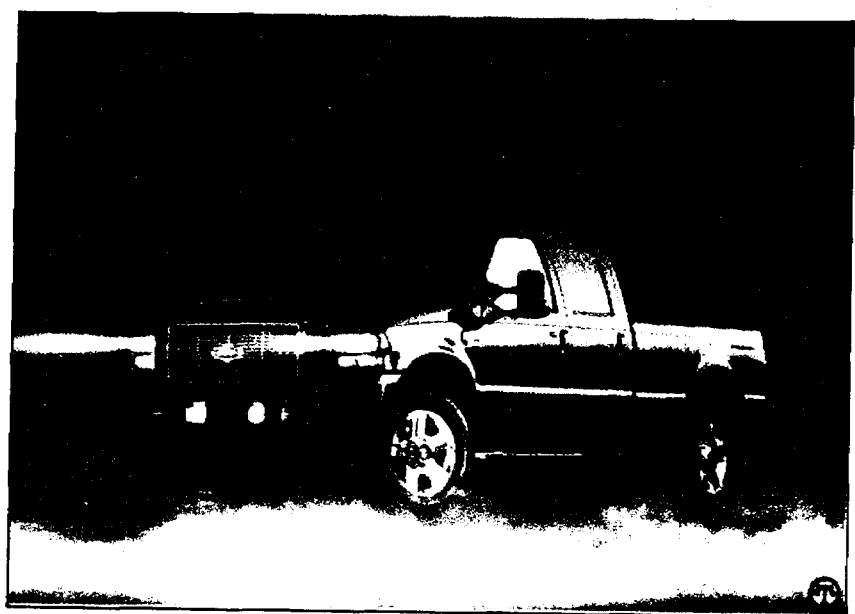
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Infiniti M45: A wolf in sheep's clothing?

Its understated exterior styling camouflages the sporty handling and dramatic interior of the 2004 Infiniti M45.

Marketed by Nissan as a mid-luxury performance sport sedan, the M45 looks mild-mannered. It may be polite, but it can hold its own in most conversations.

The tight, responsive rear-drive sedan has a 340-horsepower 4.5-liter V8 under the hood. The transmission is a 5-speed automatic with a manual shift mode.

To help you get in just about every driving situation, the M45 includes dynamic control that corrects for understeer or oversteer; traction control to get you through snow or mud; brake assist for panic braking situations and speed-sensitive power steering.

Eighteen-inch wheels and high performance, low profile tires give the sedan a powerful appearance. And while we didn't try anything out of the ordinary to test its abilities the M45 seems to be capable of all on-road assignments.

Nissan has added a two-position memory function for the driver's seat, an electrochromic auto-dimming rearview mirror and a standard electronic compass.

A navigation and voice-recognition package now is available at extra cost.

If more than one person regularly uses a vehicle, it is nice to have a driver's seat that remembers where you like to be behind the wheel. And the steering wheel itself accommodates two drivers. The 10-way seating positions seem excessive, but most luxury and high-end middle range makes offer this feature; so if you are in this market class, you will get it as standard equipment. The leather-clad M45



seats also have heating and cooling functions, a climate-control option. The recent spate of summer-like days gave us the opportunity to try cooling our backsides in our comfy front seats. Frankly, a good air conditioner pumping through vents on the instrument panel and perhaps at floor level do a better job than an under-seat cooler.

We're not convinced seat cooling is worth the effort. We do, however, love heated seats in cold weather — especially if the surfaces are leather.

The CD changer moves from the glove box and becomes an in-dash 6-disc CD autochanger in the 2004 model.

A word or three about vehicle functions and their accessibility. The M45 does have a standard multi-functional vehicle information system with 5.8-inch LCD screen. It also has what some call "hard buttons" that control many of the same functions — except, for example, the navigation system.

We have struggled in the past to use similar point-and-click systems with limited success. The various screens include options that begin with basic choices and move down to the minutiae. We were delighted to discover we could use the M45 radio without having to access its information on the

screen, which many times of the day is obscured by the glare of sunlight. Same goes for climate control. Both hard buttons and the little spherical mouse for the vehicle information system are easy to reach, mounted high and in the middle of the instrument panel.

If you really want to play with the information system, we suggest bringing along a co-pilot who enjoys these exercises, and who has time to spend with the owner's manual. Drivers should concentrate on the road.

We confess to skipping the optional voice-control functions in our few days of testing. I'm sure we all have seen busy people at the airport who are using a hands-free phone and truly appear to be talking to themselves or to the specter of a late aunt or uncle. Do you really want the driver stopped beside you at the light to see you (sitting alone) instructing your car to turn on the radio or change the interior temperature? Cars that talked to us over a decade ago, reminding that "the door is ajar" for example, were not well-received by consumers. We don't have figures on how many of today's buyers order and use voice activation, but we bet the numbers are low.

Safety and convenience features include a tire pressure monitor system with



2004 Infiniti M45

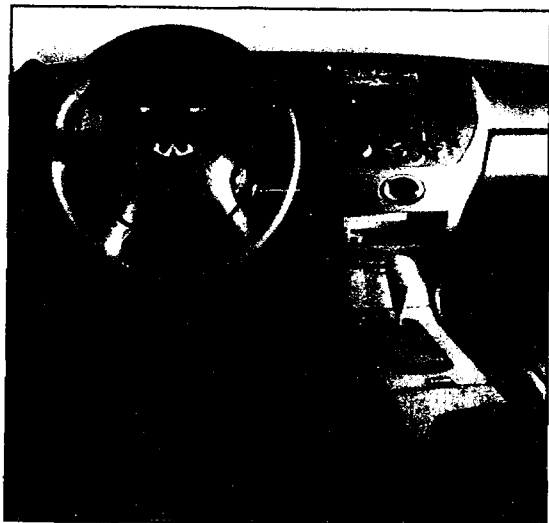
warning light now standard on all models. Intelligent cruise control is an option that allows the driver, traffic permitting, to maintain a preselected following distance.

All models also feature dual-stage front supplemental air bags with seat belt sensors, front-seat side-impact supplemental air bags, front and rear curtain side-impact supplemental air bags and active head restraints for the front seats.

Every M45 also comes equipped with electrochromic interior and left-hand outside mirrors, heated outside mirrors with selectable tilt down function and a full-size spare

Some nice touches include a beautiful silver-trimmed oval clock on the instrument panel, and elegant, slim exterior door handles. The interior includes bird's eye maple wood trim which Infiniti for some reason has given a smoke graphite color.

A 225-watt Bose premium digital audio system with seven speakers, AM/FM stereo cassette and in-dash 6-disc CD autochanger come standard, along with audio steering-wheel controls. The



M45 audio system is pre-wired for satellite radio technology.

Infiniti has two new exterior colors for 2004: desert platinum and twilight blue.

If you are ready to place your order, here is some equipment package information. The premium package A offers a sunroof, climate controlled seats and voice recognition system, while the premium B adds the same equipment plus chrome-plated wheels.

The suggested base price on the '04 M45 is \$43,250. Sirius satellite radio runs \$400; the premium package A adds \$2,200 and a trunk mat is \$60.

You may want to skip the trunk mat and save that money for gas. Infiniti recommends premium fuel, and with an EPA fuel economy rating of 17 miles per gallon city/23 MPG highway, you will be stopping to fill up, at \$2 or more a gallon, fairly often.

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Children's Home of Detroit cottage gets makeover

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ity of Gensler, a global architecture, design, planning and strategic consulting firm.

Twenty Gensler employees from the company's Detroit office donated their time, energy and talent to update Kanter Cottage, one of several residential cottages for children with emotional or behavioral disabilities.

The associates worked during a two-day weekend to redesign the cottage that is home to 10 to 12 boys, ages 5 to 13 years.

Approximately 35 hours and \$3,000 were spent on phase one of the renovation that included replacing the floor and wall treatments, building windows between the dining room and kitchen and constructing a new entertainment cabinet for the living room.

J. C. Custom Contracting provided labor and Milliken Carpet Co. donated carpet. Additionally, Gensler plans to paint the entry and stairway of the cottage and hopes to continue renovation efforts in the future.

"In our effort to learn how we could best utilize our resources to aid the residents of the Children's Home, it quickly became apparent how important it is for companies like us to provide our assistance," said Chris Beck, associate archi-

tect for Gensler. "The satisfaction of knowing that we were able to use our architectural design and planning expertise to create an environment that fosters learning and growth was tremendously gratifying."

"As a nonprofit organization, we rely heavily on the support and generosity of

organizations like Gensler," said Deborah A. Liedel, director of public relations and community services for the Children's Home of Detroit.

"This generous donation was particularly valued and appreciated by the children and staff and this was evident not only by the smiles

on their faces, but also by some of the positive comments that were made."

In fact, during a recent visit to the Children's Home, Gensler associates were asked by a child sitting in the renovated living room if they could make the cottage he lives in as nice as Kanter Cottage.

Tuesday Musicale's first concert is Sept. 28

The Tuesday Musicale of Detroit will present its first concert of the 2004-2005 season at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 28, at Hammell Music, 15630 Middlebelt, Livonia.

Pianists Evelyn Evon and Diana Munch will perform "Petite Suite" by Debussy; pianists Susan Witucki and Joan Haggard will perform

"Chinese Dragons" by Nancy Faber; pianist Blake Ray will perform Chopin's "Polonaise-Fantaisie in A-flat Major" and "Scherzo in E Major."

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For more information, call (248) 848-9930 or (586) 739-5707.

Thrift Shop plans open house Sept. 25

The Neighborhood Club Thrift Shop will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, for a special fall event featuring sales, refreshments and a raffle.

The Neighborhood Club Thrift Shop's regular hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays. Donations are accepted during those hours as well as from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays. For more information, call Jeanne Balesky, manager, at (313) 885-0773.

First English presents drama

First English Lutheran Church will present "The Covenant Players: A Ministry of Faith," at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, in the church's brand-new Luther Center, 800 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

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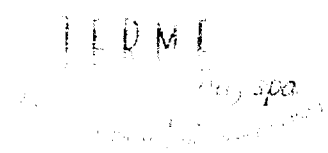
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What's cooking?

Cottage Hospital Auxiliary hosts annual kitchen tour Sunday, Oct. 10

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

In the past decade, the kitchen has become the living room of the American household.

The Cottage Hospital Auxiliary has known that since the late 1950s.

The auxiliary presents its annual Kitchen Tour on Sunday, Oct. 10, from noon to 5 p.m. This year's tour features nine kitchens from eight houses.

"This year's tour will feature eight houses in four of the Grosse Pointes and one in St. Clair Shores," said Melissa Meghielse, Kitchen Tour chair. "There are large kitchens, small kitchens, an environmentally friendly kitchen, and a duplex with two kitchens — one in the downstairs living quarters and one in the second-floor design studio."

The two-for-one bonus house belongs to Gail Urso, a local interior designer, who has shown her kitchen in another house in a previous tour.

"She's showing off her new empty-nest duplex in Grosse Pointe Park," Meghielse said. "She's redone the downstairs kitchen with honey-colored cabinets and a striking black wallpaper with big yellow flowers. In the upstairs kitchen, she's repainted the cabinets black and put up a sharp black and white wallpaper. It's

practical and very good-looking."

And the theme of practicality extends to the needs of today's families, who want bigger kitchens than many of those in the houses built during Grosse Pointe's building boom in the 1940s and 1950s.

Mark and Peggy Monaghan, whose kitchen in their City of Grosse Pointe home is included in the tour, bumped out part of their old galley kitchen in order to create a larger, more functional and more livable space. It features a whole wall full of bookcases, two islands, a large eating area and a desk area. Two cushioned window seats soften the look of the room. Glass doors and windows extend the kitchen onto the patio.

"This is where we hang out," Peggy Monaghan said. "It blends into our family room."

The Monaghan kitchen, which Peggy Monaghan said was inspired by a feature in *Traditional Home* magazine, is decorated in greens, reds and browns. The kitchen features custom-made white glazed cabinets, granite countertops and hardwood floors — trends predominant in many of the kitchens in the tour.

One kitchen that bucks that trend is the Retenbach kitchen in Grosse Pointe



Kathy Retenbach gave her family home in Grosse Pointe Woods a new feel with red birch cabinets. "It's more contemporary," Kathy Retenbach said. "My husband thinks it's kind of Tuscan looking."

Woods.

The kitchen was last redone by Kathy Retenbach's parents 25 years ago. Retenbach and her husband Matt acquired the house about two years ago. The Formica countertops and carpeted floor have been replaced with red birch Shaker style cabinets and a slate floor.

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Tuscan looking."

The adjoining mud and laundry rooms, which will be showcased in the tour, were also updated in the kitchen remodel.

Retenbach said the already large kitchen didn't need to be expanded; it's roomy enough for her four siblings and their families, who still celebrate holidays at the house.

Perhaps the most distinctive kitchen on the tour is in the one of the Mushro house in Grosse Pointe Park.

The Mushro kitchen is part of a recent addition to

their 1937 house, in which the area of the old kitchen is now an eating area. They took great care in creating an environmentally friendly living area.

"The cabinets are made of parts of the soy plant farmers don't use," Sarah Mushro said. "It's ground very finely and they used a water-based glue under high pressure to keep it together. Then they put a melamine cover on top and used non-VOC (volatile organic compound) paint, which has no outgassing. Kitchen cabinets usually emit things like formalde-

hyde, which is a known carcinogen, for at least two years. We have two young children, and we don't want them inhaling that."

The Mushro kitchen also has two sinks.

"One sink faces the backyard and one sink faces the family room so I can always keep an eye on the kids no matter where they are," Mushro said. "Plus, we're vegetarians. I'm usually always cutting up vegetables, and now my husband has a place to clean his fish and prepare his gravlax."

All of the kitchens in the tour were built and designed by local designers within the past year.

Meghielse recommended that people reserve at least two to three hours to tour all nine kitchens.

In addition to the tour, there will also be a preview party on Saturday, Oct. 9, from 4 to 8 p.m., which features a strolling dinner.

Advance tickets for the tour (\$18) and tickets for the preview party (\$35 patron, \$50 benefactor) are available at the Cottage Hospital gift shop, the Pointe Pedlar or by mail at: Kitchen Tour, 11 Fair Lake Lane, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236. Tickets will also be available on the day of the tour (\$20) at 1060 Devonshire in the Park or 23253 Robert John in St. Clair Shores. Proceeds from the preview party and tour benefit the Bon Secours Cottage Women's Diagnostic Center.

Pre-roasted chicken speeds up salad preparation

Coming up with a dinner idea can be difficult for busy people (which is why those rotisserie chickens cooking at the supermarket can look so gosh darn appealing). The chickens do taste good, but the bird spinning on the rod can also become boring.

This week I pulled the meat from a rotisserie chicken and whipped up a delicious, satisfying low-carb meal in less than 30 minutes. The following Bon Appetit recipe turns spinach salad into a main event.

Spinach Salad with Chicken

3 cups cooked chicken, cut or torn into strips (from one purchased 1 1/2-lb. roasted chicken)

1 6-oz. bag baby spinach

6 bacon slices, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

1/2 medium red onion, sliced paper-thin

3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese (optional)

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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



Fresh avocado slices (optional)

Place the chicken and the spinach in a large bowl and set aside. Cook the bacon in a skillet over medium-high heat until crisp. Using a slotted spoon, transfer the bacon to paper towels to drain. Lower the heat and remove all but 3 tablespoons of the bacon drippings from the skillet.

Add the onion slices and the balsamic vinegar to the skillet and cook and stir for just a minute or two, scraping up the brown bits from the bottom of the skillet. Pour the hot dressing over the chicken and spinach and, using tongs, toss the salad

thoroughly. (The spinach will wilt slightly from the heat of the dressing.) Transfer the salad to a serving platter and scatter with the bacon pieces. If you like, top the finished salad with the crumbled blue cheese and slices of avocado.

I purchased a roasted chicken from Costco that gave me 6 cups of chicken from the 3-pound cooked bird (double the size of the chickens you find at the grocery store). I simply doubled the entire recipe. I cooked 1 12-oz. package of center-cut bacon for my larger salad.

If you want more dressing, simply measure the amount of bacon fat rendered in the skillet and add an equal amount of balsamic vinegar. If you don't plan on consuming the salad in one sitting, keep the dressing (with the onions) on the side and reheat before you are ready to toss the salad.

Spinach salad with chicken and bacon will turn your pre-roasted chicken into a tasty meal for your entire family.



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Rotary International, which will celebrate its 100-year anniversary next February, is focusing on two educational programs: Ambassadorial Scholarships and Rotary Grants for University Teachers.

The Ambassadorial Scholarship program has three categories. The academic year scholarship provides transportation, fees, a home and contingency funds for a student who has completed at least two years of college.

The multi-year scholarship provides two years of study at an assigned college.

The applicant must be enrolled in a special degree granting program. It covers the costs of one degree, transportation and a home to stay in.

The cultural scholarship provides intensive language training and cultural immersion at a language training facility. It covers tuition, fees, transportation and home stay.

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe and District 6400 have sponsored Kristen Nickel as an ambassadorial scholar in a course of international studies in Budapest, Hungary.

Ambassadorial scholar Amy Bauer will soon return from a program at the University of Cairo, Egypt.

The Rotary grant for university teachers provides grants to strengthen higher education in low-income countries.

Recipients must have a college or university teaching appointment for three or more years and teach in an academic field that will be useful to the host country. To apply for any of these opportunities, contact the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe, P.O. Box 36366, Grosse Pointe Farms, 48236.



Pet blessing is Oct. 3

In what is quickly becoming a Christ Church tradition, Oct. 3 will celebrate the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and the environment, with a 10:15 a.m. service on the front lawn, followed by a blessing of the pets. The service will include inspirational music by the Christ Church Choirs.

"All animals and their owners are welcome," said the Rev. David Dieter. "We will also have animal artists and photographers, animal rescue and adoption societies, a veterinarian demonstration and refreshments for pets and people."

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Ageism: Is it dead or is it alive and well?

The word "ageism" was coined 25 years ago. On the frivolous but sometimes hurtful side, it describes such things as greeting cards and novelties, called "Over-the-Hill" products such as bobble-head dolls, birthday cards mocking the mobility, intellect and sex drive of the no-longer-young.

On the serious side, ageism is reflected in job losses for older citizens which today can reach down to those in their 50s. The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has received more than 19,000 age discrimination complaints in each of the past two years. Only about one-seventh of these cases were settled to the complainant's benefit because, attorneys say, age discrimination is hard to prove.

An ageism researcher says that Americans start developing stereotypes about the elderly during childhood. They reinforce them throughout adulthood and enter old age with attitudes toward their own age group as unfavorable as the attitudes of younger people.

Stereotypes are reinforced by the messages prevalent in our society. Ads in publications, TV programs and magazine articles highlight surgery and other treatments that will make one look younger. Some seniors indulge in these expensive and temporary efforts to avoid that dread disease: looking old.

A few years ago, a skin care company conducted an ad campaign centered around the statement, "I'm not going to grow old gracefully." Unfortunately, age always wins.

We hope the upcoming generation will change its perception of older folks. The recent words from the Bush daughters before the national Republican Convention and the millions watching on TV do not provide much hope.

"Grandmother Barbara doesn't like some of our clothes, or music, or most of the TV shows we watch. Granny, we love you dearly, but you're just not very hip. She thinks 'Sex in the

Senior Scene

By
Ruth
Cain



City' is something married people do, but never talk about."

Robert Butler, the International Longevity Center president, wrote, "We all aspire to live to be old, and consequently we all must work to create a society where old age is respected, if not honored, and where persons who have reached old age are not marginalized."

Amen to that.

Instead of trying to make seniors think they should fit into a mold designed by others, I'd like to see ways found to make society more accepting of senior problems.

Such efforts were explored at the North American Conference on Elderly Mobility held last week at the Renaissance Center. Such conferences have already resulted in changes in signs on downtown Jefferson Avenue and a few downtown freeways.

Street signs are clearer, larger, and in easier-to-read letters. The yellow surface is much brighter on signs warning of curves and other obstacles ahead.

A few traffic signs have black or yellow framing, adding more contrast for easier reading. The white lines marking the edges of roadways are wider and brighter. Some curbs are painted for greater visibility.

In addition, the crosswalk at Jefferson and Griswold near Hart Plaza now has a countdown. The "Walk" sign has timers that tell you how many seconds you have left to cross Jefferson.

Years ago, a co-worker suggested that the "Walk" and "Don't Walk" signs on Washington Boulevard should be changed to "Walk" and "Run Like

Hell."

I'm noperut that someday street signs will be uniform throughout the state. That would be a street sign on the right side and same side of the street you are approaching, in large black letters against a light background. There would be a similar sign for traffic going in the opposite direction.

Today, at some intersections there is only one street sign and its placement isn't always on the same corner. It could be hidden by an overgrown tree. If you're driving and looking for a certain street, by the time you've found where the sign is and what it says, you've already passed it. Many older folks have a reduced field of vision; so trying to find and read a street sign

while driving can create a hazardous situation.

How about house numbers? It may be tres chic for house numbers to be located away from the porch light and in gold or bronze letters on a brown background, but if you truly want to accommodate older friends, put the numbers directly under a light that is bright enough so numbers can be seen. Use dark numbers on a light background.

Another problem exists when homes feature numbers spelled out. There may be those who can, in seconds, translate the words into numbers, but I'm not one of them.

If you have a question or comment for Cain, her e-mail address is ruthcain@comcast.net.



Rummage Sale

St. Paul Lutheran Church will hold its annual Rummage Sale and Boutique from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24 and 25, at the church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Merchandise for sale will include household items, sporting goods, books, jewelry, children's clothes and toys.

All are priced to sell.

Proceeds will benefit local and worldwide outreach programs and the church's internal ministry.

Among the volunteers who are organizing the event are, in the back row, from left: Gretchen Archinal, Bea Grenzke, Marie Zeller and Donna Ireton.

In the front, from left, are Margy Huizinga and Bev Henry.

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Stratford's 'Henry VIII' is suspense, drama, action

The Festival Theatre stage at the Stratford Festival in Stratford, Ontario, shimmers with pageantry, drama and emotion in a new production of what may be Shakespeare's most unusual historic play — "Henry VIII," known originally as "All Is True."

In actual truth, the playwright and his probable collaborator, John Fletcher, have adapted the facts of history to the needs of a good play.

The plot takes liberties with the truth, but in Stratford's new production, "Henry VIII" is a great evening of theatre.

Covering only a four-year span in the middle of Henry's reign, it focuses on the pivotal period when Henry loses patience with Queen Katherine's inability to produce a male heir, and becomes infatuated with one of her ladies-in-waiting, Anne Bullen, known to us as Anne Boleyn.

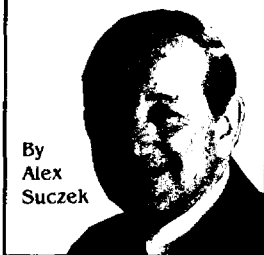
One of the unusual features is that four principal characters share the limelight. The lusty young king, played admirably by Graham Abbey, has an eye for attractive women and an obsession with the need for a male heir. Queen Katherine, in the person of Seanna McKenna, is a lady of immense dignity trying to defend it against the disgrace of being falsely accused of treason and sued for divorce.

Walter Borden, as Cardinal Wolsey, gives us a conniving politician using his power as a Prince of the Church to forward his own ambition one day to become pope. Meanwhile, the youthful and innocently lovely Sara Topham presents an Anne Bullen, flattered by the king's attention and caught up in an overwhelming turmoil of passion and politics. There are memorable moments for each of them in the interplay of these conflicting agendas.

Queen Katherine's most stunning scene comes early, when she is put on trial in what, from her point of view, is a kangaroo court put together by Wolsey. She rejects Wolsey and his panel of judges in a marvelous speech defending her innocence while carefully avoiding offense to the values of a male dominated world and her husband the king.

Abbey is very effective in projecting a sense of King Henry's discomfort over Wolsey's ruthless approach to justifying a divorce, while never relenting in his desire to have it come about. McKenna's presentation of her case progresses from calm reason ultimately to outrage and furious grandeur befitting a wronged queen. It's a truly outstanding performance. It is a memorable moment of theatre.

State of the Arts



By
Alex
Suczek

In a dramatic contrast, the scene changes to an elegant party at Wolsey's palace. His wealth and influence, and the fear and respect in which he is held, are disturbingly evident, as elegantly dressed guests parade in and out to pay their respects and enjoy the entertainment. Here the drama peaks when King Henry notices Anne Bullen and is obviously smitten. It has much of the chemistry of the ball scene in Romeo and Juliet when the lovers discover each other. The implications are no less fatal.

Topham's characterization of Anne is beautifully true to the young lady-in-waiting's situation. She is obviously taken by surprise by the king's attentions and sensitive to the conflicts of interest, but she also reveals a sophistication in the way she adapts to her new role as Henry's favorite.

It is a fascinating transition.

Watching the scheming cardinal get his comeuppance is particularly satisfying and almost melodramatic, but Borden plays it out with all the wisdom and craft you could possibly expect from a consummate power broker and politician.

Few examples in real life would accept defeat and disgrace as coolly; yet in the circumstances of the play, caught between the absolute powers of king and pope, Borden's performance is right on.

The most complex development of all the roles in the play is that of King Henry. The first impression is of a lusty young King frustrated in his hopes for a male heir and with a keen eye for women.

But as he deals with the crises of his rule and the conflicting goals of the others, Abbey brings out a sense that Henry is an intelligent and perceptive man. While patient and trusting to a point, he also has a sense of fairness and judgment that enables him eventually to come to good decisions.

There is an overall feeling in the play of warm patriotism looking forward to the reign of Henry's daughter, Elizabeth, who became England's favorite queen, and the legitimacy of her successor James I, who was on the throne when the play was written.

Considering the spirit of

the times and the widespread recognition in England then of the power of the theatre as political propaganda, it is an interesting insight into the attitudes of the people as well as the playwrights.

But such considerations are secondary to the fact that the play is excellent theatre when performed as well as in this production. It provides ample suspense and drama in the many rises and falls of the action and some charming interludes of a masque in a dream of the queen's, and a demonstration of swordplay that briefly entertains Anne Bullen.

Moreover, the beautiful costumes and sometimes pageant-like staging add a sense of the elegance of court life in an England aspiring to high status

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The Grosse Pointe Ski Club will begin fall activities by planning its annual ski trip to Vail, Dec. 4-11; and its trip to Snowmass in March. For more information, call president Ron Malis at (313) 823-2288.

Delta Gamma Alumnae

The Grosse Pointe Alumnae chapter of Delta Gamma will meet at noon Sunday, Sept. 26.

For more information, call Barb Trost at (313) 884-8433 or Ann Baxter at (313) 886-0538.

Classical Music League

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League's general membership meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. After lunch, there will be a program featuring Dina Soresi Winter, a teacher and singer. She will discuss Verdi's opera, "Rigoletto." Call (313) 881-9701.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe will meet at

11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for lunch and a short business meeting. The program will be a short talk about the recent electrical blackout given by Joseph L. Welch. A question and answer period will follow.

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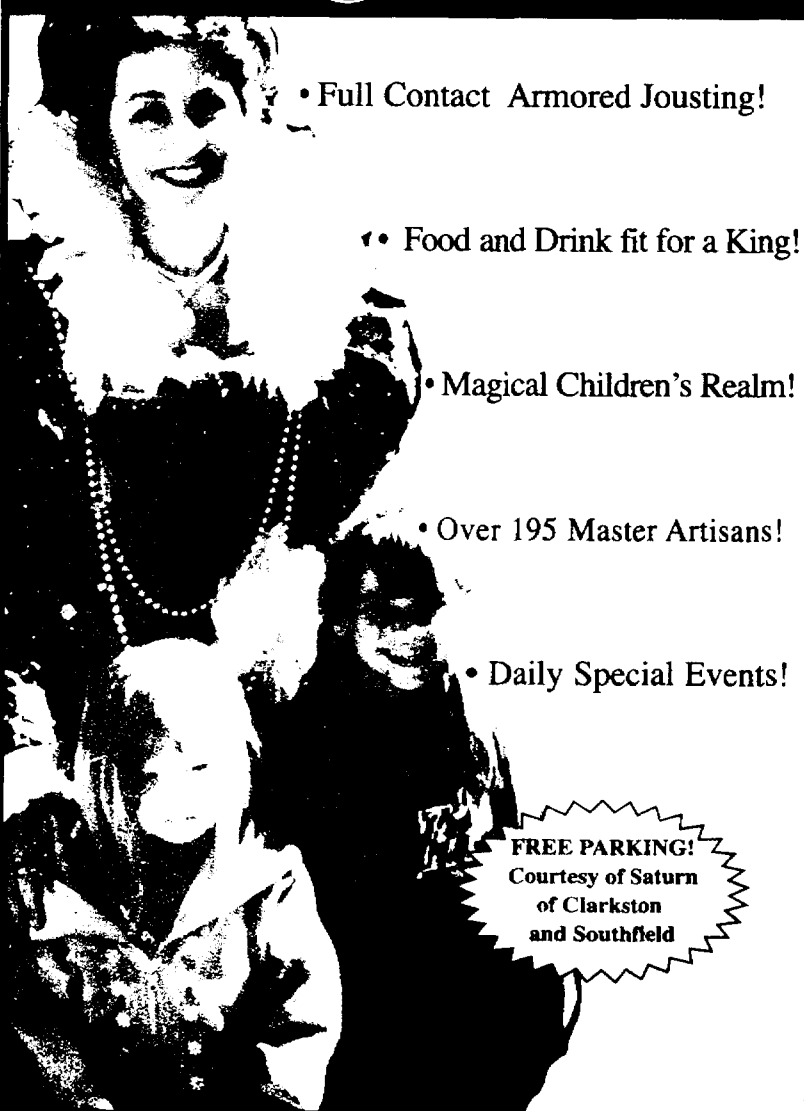
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Wilson- Palms

Michael and Mary Wilson of Oakland Township have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Anne Wilson, to Stephen Joseph Palms, son of George and Micaela Palms of Harper Woods. A January wedding is planned.

Wilson graduated from Madonna University with a bachelor's degree in English. She is a customer service representative with Fifth Third Bank.

Palms earned a bachelor's degree in exercise physiology from Western Michigan University.

He is director of personal training with Bally's Total Fitness in Dearborn.



**Vincent A. Antonello Jr.
and Ashley Brooke Reno**

Reno- Antonello

Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. Reno of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Brooke Reno, to Vincent A. Antonello Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent A. Antonello Sr. of Ledgewood, N.J. A March wedding is planned.

Reno earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from the University of Florida and a Master of Science degree from Florida International University. She is a teacher in Boca Raton, Fla.

Antonello earned a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in civil engineering from the University of Pennsylvania and a juris doctor degree from Seton Hall School of Law. He is an attorney with Lowenstein-Sandler P.C. in New Jersey and New York.



**Heather Hilgendorf and
Jeremy R. Miller**

Hilgendorf- Miller

Marjorie Hilgendorf of Grosse Pointe Farms has announced the engagement of her daughter, Heather Hilgendorf, to Jeremy R. Miller, son of Richard and Juanita Miller of Cheboygan. Hilgendorf is also the daughter of the late Frank Hilgendorf. A September wedding is planned.

Hilgendorf earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Northern Michigan University and is pursuing a master's degree

in business administration from Walsh College. She is a senior internal auditor with Motor City Casino. Miller attended Northern Michigan University. He is assistant manager with Dunham's Sports.



**Joshua L. Schmidt and
Jennifer Ann Thuma**

Thuma- Schmidt

Wayne Thuma of Eaton Rapids and Marilyn Thuma of Onondaga have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann Thuma, to Joshua L. Schmidt, son of Henry and Louise Schmidt of Grosse Pointe Park. A November wedding is planned.

Thuma earned a BBA in human resource management from Western Michigan University. She is a training coordinator with Eaton Corp.

Schmidt earned a Bachelor of Science degree in imaging marketing from Western Michigan University. He is a sales professional with the Erich Henkel Automotive Group.

Marren- Gracey

James and Margaret Marren of Chicago have announced the engagement of their daughter, Therese Marren, to Taras Gracey, son of Paul and Irene Gracey of Grosse Pointe Farms. An October wedding is planned.



**Taras Gracey and
Therese Marren**

Marren earned a bachelor's degree from the University of California, San Diego and a medical degree from Loyola University. She is completing a pediatric residency at Northwestern University's Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

Gracey earned a bachelor's degree from the University of California, Berkeley, and a law degree from Duke University. He is a partner in the law firm of Winston & Strawn in Chicago.



**Richard Thomas
Wolney Jr. and Kathleen
Elizabeth Clark**

Clark- Wolney

Pat and Dee Clark of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Elizabeth Clark, to Richard Thomas Wolney Jr., son of Rick and Debby Wolney of the City of Grosse Pointe. A May wedding is planned.

Clark graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education. She was a teacher with the Chicago Public Schools for three years and is working on a revision team for Everyday Mathematics with the University of Chicago.

Wolney graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He works for ABN AMRO as part of the financial markets and corporate risk advisory group.

McRill- Schaden

Lannie and Sherry McRill of Grosse Pointe Park have announced the engagement



**Megan Ruth McRill and
Joseph Patrick Schaden**

of their daughter, Megan Ruth McRill, to Joseph Patrick Schaden, son of Gregory and Linda Schaden of Grosse Pointe Woods. A December wedding is planned.

McRill earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political theory and constitutional democracy from Michigan State University. She is a human resources associate with GE Commercial Finance in Chicago.

Schaden earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in industrial design from the College for Creative Studies. He is a commercial insurance broker with Ashford General Insurance in Chicago.



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J.B. and Michele Schneider of Waltham, Mass., are the parents of a daughter, Thalia Elise Schneider, born June 16, 2004.

Grandparents are Alan and Molly Beuregard of New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and Joseph and Marilyn Schneider of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Maternal grandparents are Bill and Myra Cartwright of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Paternal grandparents are John and Noelle George of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Great-grandparents are Virginia Cartwright of Harper Woods, Marion Piana of Grosse Pointe Woods and Marylee George of Harrison Township.

Alex Christopher George

John and Heidi George of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Alex Christopher George, born Feb. 10, 2004.

AnaMaria Frances Fisher

JuliAnne and Sam Fisher of Clinton Township are the parents of a daughter, AnaMaria Frances Fisher, born Aug. 23, 2004.

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Easing the discomfort of mammograms

By Dr. A. Christine Watt
Special Writer

Have you had a mammogram this year? If not, you're not alone. According to a recent study published in *Cancer*, a journal of the American Cancer Society, many women ignore recommendations to have regular mammography screenings. In fact, the study determined that only one in 20 women over the age of 40 consistently follows the recommended guidelines of having a mammogram annually.

This reluctance to have a mammogram occurs even though it's widely known that breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in U.S. women, and despite the fact that statistics show that women who do have prompt annual mammograms have a lower risk of death from the disease.

Why don't more women have regular screenings? For women who are underinsured or uninsured, the cost may be prohibitive. Others may be so afraid of the screening will find cancer that they're afraid to go. Still others avoid mammograms because the procedure is uncomfortable or may even hurt.

If you have ever had a mammogram, you know that a certain amount of discomfort is unavoidable. The tissue of the breast must be flattened and spread out adequately so a good image can be taken. For most women, the temporary squeezing or pinching sensation caused during a mammogram is tolerable. But some women who are on hormone replacement therapy, those who have had breast cancer surgery and/or radiation therapy, or those with breast implants may experience a level of discomfort that can border on pain.

Fortunately, there actually are a number of things you can do — other than avoiding the procedure altogether — to limit your discomfort. First,

you can schedule your mammogram during the first two weeks of your menstrual cycle, when the breasts are not as sensitive. Reducing your caffeine consumption one week before the exam can help, as can taking an over-the-counter pain medication about an hour before the procedure.

Since discomfort is such a common complaint among women in general, the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center and the St. John Surgery Center in St. Clair Shores are now offering new technology called MammoPad to make mammography more comfortable.

MammoPad is a soft foam cushion that is applied directly to the mammography machine, which places it directly between the machine and the patient. Because it is invisible to X-rays, MammoPad doesn't interfere with mammography results, yet it helps technicians get a high-quality image because the patient can tolerate the procedure better. These results were confirmed in a trial performed at St. John Hospital.

Clinical trials performed in the United States and Sweden have shown that MammoPad really is effective. According to the studies, approximately 70 percent of women experienced a 50 percent decrease in discomfort when MammoPad was used during a regular screening. That's good news for women everywhere.

MammoPad has been offered at select health care facilities, including St. John Hospital, for the past few years. The cost was nominal — just about \$5 per non-reusable pad. But MammoPad is now offered free of charge to all women who have their mammogram at the Van Elslander Cancer Center and St. John Surgery Center. It's a small thing we can do to encourage more women to comply with recommended breast cancer screenings — something that could save their lives.

In addition to making mammography more comfortable, the Van Elslander Cancer Center also offers advanced options in mammography as a way to provide the most accurate results possible. One of these options is digital mammography, which allows high-quality images to be displayed just 10 seconds after an exposure, thus cutting the patient's exam time in half.

The digital procedure also provides the technologist with quick verification that the patient has been positioned correctly, which helps to decrease the number of callbacks.

While both digital and standard mammograms are effective ways to screen for breast cancer, many women are now choosing the new technology. Seeing the images produced as they are having their mammogram seems to help decrease their anxiety. In addition, images can be stored and retrieved electronically, making it easier to transfer mammograms between facilities and doctors. In women who have dense breasts (usually younger women), the breasts may be more easily evaluated because digital mammography allows for better contrast resolution.

No matter which type of mammography you choose, the important thing is to have the test annually or on the schedule your primary care physician recommends. If you'd like more information about MammoPad, or you'd like to schedule a mammogram appointment, call the Van Elslander Cancer Center at (866) 246-HOPE.

Dr. A. Christine Watt is interim Chairman of Imaging Services at St. John Hospital and Medical Center and Director of the Luggett Breast Center at the Van Elslander Cancer Center.

X-tra Special Advice

for parents of children with special needs

If there were more gurus in the world

By Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan
Special Writers

Before 2002, we thought little about our choice of doctors. If we needed one for an ear infection or a bad case of the flu, we called our

advocate."

Unfortunately, the list of FX gurus in the world is not a long one.

Fortunately for us, one of the top FX gurus is only a 5-hour drive away.

Dr. Elizabeth Berry-Kravis is a pediatric neurologist at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. One of her special interests is Fragile X Syndrome. Families affected by FX are lucky to have her.

She is an intelligent, soft-spoken woman. The soft-spoken part is especially wonderful since she doesn't add to a child's state of hyperarousal because he or she is in a doctor's office. She made us feel comfortable, welcomed and at home. She knows what we're experiencing with our son. She knows more than we know. She can even begin to describe the future to us.

Mary Beth left the office saying, "It's nice to talk with a doctor who knows more about Fragile X than we do."

Berry-Kravis gave us expert insight into appropriate medications (the subject of our next column), therapies and educational choices. She has also telephoned us since our appointment to clarify some issues.

Berry-Kravis, not an assistant. More than worth the drive. And the money.

Maybe she is also the first definition of a guru: spiritual leader. Our spirits were higher leaving her office than any other doctor appointment during the last two years.

If only there were more gurus in the world.

Grosse Pointe residents

Theodore G. Coutilish

and Mary Beth Langan

created this column to

share experiences from

their journey as parents

of a child with Fragile X

syndrome [fragilex.org].

Send your questions or

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The Langan-Coutilish family

internist or our son Andrew's pediatrician. It was easy to find someone who knew much more than we knew about them.

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Fragile X diagnosis.

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say, "Fragile what?" as

many people said in

response to hearing the

diagnosis. But they didn't

say much at all. They

didn't seem to know

much.

When some spoke, it

was to quote outdated FX

materials and facts that

are no longer fact. More

than once, we felt we

were paying money to

educate doctors instead of

paying money to learn

more about how to help

our child. Leaving those

appointments left us with

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tions.

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Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



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The programs are held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the lower level Boardrooms at Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval Avenue, one mile south of Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. Park in the deck next to the hospital and bring your ticket to the program for validation.

Oct. 6, Wednesday - That Sudden Urge
One in three women will experience accidental urinary leakage - incontinence - at some point in their lives. This is often seen as an inevitable part of aging, but it doesn't have to happen. Join Dinesh J. Telang, M.D., for a frank discussion of this delicate issue, including treatment options. Dr. Telang is associated with Grosse Pointe Urologic Surgeons.

Oct. 13, Wednesday - A Good Look at Aging Eyes

Our eyes are a precious asset. Yet, how many of us think about the health of our eyes. Vlad Mogk, M.D., focuses on eye changes that occur with aging, including dry eyes, macular degeneration and glaucoma. Dr. Mogk is a local authority regarding macular degeneration at the Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology office of Henry Ford Eye Care Services.

Oct. 20, Wednesday - The Look You Want

As women move into mid life and later years, some of us notice un welcome changes in our faces and bodies. Cosmetic surgery has become widely accepted and frequently performed. Daniela Rodriguez, M.D., discusses surgical options that can help fight the aging process. Dr. Rodriguez is an associate of Renaissance Plastic Surgeons.

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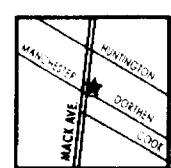
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An appointment is necessary. To schedule an appointment, call (313) 343-4436 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or e-mail an audiologist at audiology@stjohn.org.

Because hearing loss often occurs slowly over time, people are often unaware that they have a hearing problem. Asking people to repeat what they say, needing to turn an ear toward a sound to hear it, hearing better when looking directly at the speaker's face, or pain or ringing in the ears may be signs of hearing loss. The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association recommends an annual hearing checkup for people 45 or older.

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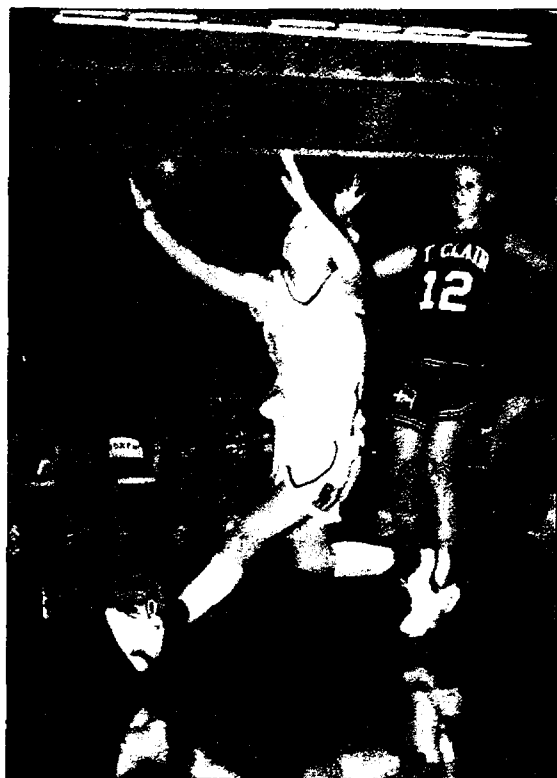


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Grosse Pointe North's Megan Warren saves a ball from going out of bounds during the Norsemen's game with St. Clair.

Free throws carry North to victory

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The first few minutes of Grosse Pointe North's basketball game with Livonia Ladywood last week looked like the beginning of a long night for the Norsemen.

The Blazers jumped out to a 9-0 lead by the time the first quarter was barely half over.

"I was worried because our offense hasn't been good enough yet that we can spot a good team a 9-0 lead," said North coach Gary Bennett.

But when a team can shoot free throws as well as the Norsemen did against Ladywood, no lead is insurmountable.

North made 19 of 22 free throws in the second half and finished the game 25-for-30 from the line as they beat the Blazers 47-43.

"This was huge for the girls," Bennett said. "I'm really happy for them. We won because we're working hard."

"Tuesday night we had a fantastic defensive effort (in a 37-31 loss to St. Clair) but we couldn't score. Tonight we beat another quality opponent."

Ladywood, which plays in the tough Catholic League Central Division, looked like it planned to intimidate the Norsemen with its physical play early.

"Their physical play beat us on the boards early in the game, but we didn't back down and Ladywood seemed less physical as the game went on," Bennett said.

Some of that might have been a result of the Blazers getting into foul trouble and North capitalizing on its free throws.

The Norsemen cut Ladywood's lead to 10-7 on Jenny DeFauw's buzzer-beating three-point basket at the end of the first quarter.

"That loosened us up," Bennett said. "You could almost hear a collective sigh of relief from our team when Jenny hit that shot."

A three-point basket and a layup off a turnover by Caitlin Bennett at the start of the second quarter put North in the lead for the first time.

At halftime, the Norsemen were clinging to an 18-16 lead.

North stretched its lead to six points early in the second half, but Ladywood's Erica Yost seven points in a 9-0 run by the Blazers that

put them ahead 29-26 with 2:18 left in the third quarter.

North regained the lead on a pair of free throws by Caitlin Bennett with 29 seconds left in the third quarter. They came in the midst of a 13-2 spurt that gave the Norsemen a 40-32 lead with 6:12 remaining in the game.

However, Ladywood didn't roll over and die.

The Blazers closed the gap to 42-41 with 2:43 left on consecutive three-pointers. A free throw by Bennett and two by Mary Embree made it 45-41.

Two free throws by Ladywood's Kathryn Berger brought the Blazers back within two points with a minute left. North's defense forced an over-and-back turnover by Ladywood, and the Norsemen put the finishing touches on the victory when DeFauw hit two more free throws with 18.3 seconds remaining.

Caitlin Bennett finished with 20 points. She made 11 of 12 free-throw attempts. DeFauw had 12 points. Liz Andary was strong on the boards and led North with nine rebounds.

"Liz did a nice job of blocking out," Gary Bennett said.

North's coach had nothing but good things to say about his team's defense against St. Clair, which is ranked in the top 10 among Class B teams in the state.

"That's as good as we can play," Gary Bennett said. "In terms of effort, you can't ask for anything more. Every loose ball we had at least two people diving for it. Even though we lost, I felt really good after the game."

The difference in the game was a 14-6 advantage by the Saints in the third quarter which overcame North's 14-12 halftime lead. That was the only time that St. Clair was able to mount much offense.

"We played great defense," Gary Bennett said. "I didn't think we could stop them defensively as well as we did."

North did a good job of handling the Saints' defensive pressure.

"Every game we've been getting pressed, and we've needed that," Bennett said.

Andary led North with nine points and six rebounds. Caitlin Bennett had six points and DeFauw scored five.

The split left the Norsemen with a 3-3 record.

North beats Utica in first-place showdown

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Utica's football team came into last week's game with Grosse Pointe North planning to use the sweep that had been so effective in getting off to a 3-0 start.

Instead, the Norsemen's defense swept away the Chieftains.

"We really shut down the run," North coach Frank Sumbera said after his team's 28-13 victory in the battle of unbeaten Macomb Area Conference White Division teams. "They had 17 yards rushing."

North's plan was to take a step backward and move laterally along the line to prevent Utica's backs from getting the yardage outside.

"I was confident we could hold our ground," Sumbera said. "We were willing to give them second down and eight or nine (yards to go). We just wanted to make sure they had nowhere to go outside."

"Our defense has been pretty good all year. I'm always willing to hang my hat on defense."

The Norsemen's defensive line has been able to put enough pressure on opposing quarterbacks so that they don't have time to pick out an open receiver. That has resulted in 11 interceptions by North in its four games this year.

North picked off three more passes against Utica, two by Richard Weiss and one by Michael Kaiser. Kaiser had the difficult assignment of covering Utica's Jason Van Fleteran, a 6-foot-4 receiver with speed, who has provided matchup problems for every team the Chieftains have faced.

Van Fleteran caught four passes, including a 14-yard touchdown reception with 4 1/2 minutes left in the first half that cut North's lead to 14-13. Kaiser still did a good job of coverage, allowing him to catch only one ball for four yards in the second half.

North opened the scoring with just under nine minutes left in the second quarter when Cam Cecchini raced 68 yards for a touchdown.

One of the key blocks to spring him loose was thrown by tight end Jake Bloomhuff. Brian St. Hilaire added the first of his four extra points.

Utica tied the game on a 42-yard punt return by Steve Fulks, but North regained the lead on a 26-yard end-around pass from Zac Matthews to Jim Solomon with 1:18 left in the first half.

"People think we're pretty conservative on offense," Sumbera said with a smile,

"but that's a play we use every once in a while."

Utica came right back and scored on the 14-yard pass from Jordan Roberts to Van Fleteran, but the Chieftains missed the extra point and North went into halftime with a one-point lead.

North dominated the second half, just like it had in its two previous MAC White games. Utica managed only one first down in the second half, while the Norsemen padded their lead with two more touchdown runs by Cecchini.

The senior tailback scored from three yards out on the first play of the fourth quarter. The 43-yard drive was set up by a 32-yard punt return by Anthony Jantz. North stayed exclusively on the ground and took 6 1/2 minutes off the clock.

The Norsemen scored again on their next possession and once again, Jantz had a punt return of 36 yards to give North good field position at the Utica 41.

Cecchini scored on a fourth-down play from the one.

"He said, 'give me the ball, I'll get it in,'" said Sumbera, who was considering kicking a field goal.

Cecchini finished with 171 yards in 31 carries for his fourth straight game of more than 100 yards. His

season total is 728 yards and 13 touchdowns.

Two key plays in the scoring drive were passes of 19 and 23 yards from Josh Lewis to Bloomhuff.

Jantz led North with three solo tackles and 10 assists. Linebackers Ryan Stephens and Don Thill played well. Stephens had two solos and eight assists, while Thill had six tackles. Jacob Nellis made five stops.

Chris Court played a strong game with three solo tackles and four assists. He had a quarterback sack and a tackle for a loss.

Spencer Channell, Jason Gula and Ron Bedway were also among the leaders in tackles.

North has another tough game ahead Friday when it hosts Sterling Heights.

"They were the preseason favorites to win the division," Sumbera said. "They're 1-3, but they might be the best 1-3 team in the state. It's a game that concerns me. We can't have the kids thinking they're just another 1-3 team."

The Stallions have an effective passing attack with speedy receivers Ivan Djokic and Mark Keel.

Sophomore quarterback Mark Colucci has played well. Running back Torian Lake is also a threat.

Blue Devils stretch win streak to four

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team took its show on the road last week, and the Blue Devils enjoyed the experience.

South beat a good Port Huron squad, 46-40, then came back to roll past Warren Woods-Tower 52-25 in a pair of Macomb Area Conference crossover games.

"I was worried about Port Huron," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute. "They have a lot of weapons to contain."

South did a decent job against the Big Reds in the first half but trailed by five points at the break. In the second half, however, the Blue Devils really got down to business.

"We put more pressure on their ball handlers in the second half," Van Eckoute said. "It was a good team

effort on defense, but Annie Dalby, especially, made it difficult on (Port Huron's) point guard, putting a lot of pressure on her."

The game was tied at the end of three quarters, but South took the lead in the fourth quarter and never let up.

"They had to foul us and fortunately they fouled Kara Peters and Annie Dalby," Van Eckoute said. "They both hit some key free throws down the stretch."

Dalby finished with 11 points and five steals. Emily Koltuniak collected nine points, three steals, two assists and four rebounds, while Julie Zaranek had seven points and six rebounds.

It was South's second unit that really sparkled in the Woods-Tower game.

"Our first group seemed a little out of sync, but the sec-

ond unit stepped up and really played a nice game," Van Eckoute said.

Sara Crandall had seven points and six rebounds. Lauren Burke collected six points, three rebounds and two assists. Kara Trowell

finished with six points, three rebounds, four steals and two assists, and Emma Tocco had four points, two rebounds and three assists.

South is now 4-2 overall and in the midst of a four-game winning streak.

Defending champ at Art Van Challenge

Defending champion Michael Joyce heads the field for the Art Van Pro Tennis Challenge that will be held this weekend at the Lochmoor Club in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Joyce, who has been ranked as high as No. 60 in the world, defeated Tres Davis in last year's final. The Californian will have a strong field to defend his title against.

Among the top challengers are Michael Rubin of the University of Michigan, who is ranked 33rd in the NCAA, and Michigan State's Andy Fromanczyk, the Spartans' No. 1 singles player and a top-40 player nationally.

Former champion and touring pro Will Farah, Canadian professional Adam Baranowski and local favorite Steve Campbell, formerly 78th in the world, will also compete for the \$4,000 top prize.

Reigning NCAA Division II champion Robert Steckley, Joel Kielhowicz from Nevada-Las Vegas and Kurt Zaske, ranked 30th in the United States, are also in the field.

The qualifying rounds last

week were filled with several promising young players, local college standouts and area tennis professionals vying for two spots in the main draw.


Former Arizona State player Shaul Aloni ripped through the draw without losing a set. He beat Lochmoor assistant pro Mike Rose in the qualifying match. In the other qualifying match, hard-serving DiPesh Rao of India stopped 16-year-old David Streeter of Birmingham.

The main draw begins Friday at 3:30 p.m. Friday is Kids' Day with drawings throughout the afternoon for youngsters 17 and under. Friday's feature matches will continue through 9 p.m. Quarterfinal rounds begin Saturday at 10 a.m. and continue through 4 p.m. Semifinal matches start at 5.

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Several Grosse Pointe North runners lead the field as they come over the first hill at the Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree.

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North 6-0 in first jamboree

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The first of the Macomb Area Conference cross country jamborees turned out well for Grosse Pointe North's boys team.

The Norsemen posted a 6-0 record in head-to-head competition with the other Red Division teams in the meet held at Delia Park in Sterling Heights.

For the first time this year, the MAC is having two division jamborees instead of running dual or double-dual meets as it has in the past.

Sterling Heights was second with a 5-1 record, while Grosse Pointe South came in third at 4-2.

North's Robbie Fisher was the individual winner.

"He ran just like we had planned," said coach Pat Wilson. "He went out slow,

caught the leaders at the mile and a half mark and ran a nice, easy race the rest of the way."

Fisher was one of six North runners to finish among the top 14.

Stefan Cross was sixth overall. Mike Pokladek, Alex Davenport and David Watson took eighth through 10th places, and John Joseph was 14th.

North had only one personal record in the race which was run on a warm day. It was turned in by freshman Peter Dong.

Wilson was even more excited by the Norsemen's performance in last week-end's Holly Invitational.

"That's a big-time meet and we finished third," he said. "Four of the top 10 teams in Division II were in our race. North had four medalists,

led by Fisher's 11th-place finish. Davenport was 29th, Pokladek was 30th and Cross finished 38th.

North's other three runners — Joseph, Watson and Matt Greer — finished just out of the medals.

"That's a challenging course," Wilson said. "The last mile is very rugged. I was pleased that our times were similar to Algonac, which is a really flat course."

North had several PRs in the race. Most of them came from the younger members of the squad.

Posting their best times were Casey Fulton, Andy Van Egmond, Arnov Moudgil, Matt Gielegan, Matt Kingsley, Andy Stewart, Mark Miotto, Kyle Kwiatkowski, Andy Loosvelt, Sean McCarroll and Kyle Bird.

Sandy Chu, Libby Singelyn, Sarah Petit and Iris Alao, who took second through 10th places.

Also earning top 15 JV medals were Katie Gerow, Liza Hudock, Nicole Stieber and Emily Franchett. Others in the top 20 were Kim Grambo, Michelle Arthur, Bridget Dennehy and Laura Wenzel.

Other season-best times were recorded by Rachel Cook, Alex Willemain, Sarah Onstwedder, Lindsay Krall, Mary Dosch, Elizabeth Baldwin, Amy Carion, Jane Singelyn and Sarah Clarren.

In the first MAC Red jamboree, South lost to Stevenson but defeated Eisenhower, Grosse Pointe North, Dakota, Chippewa Valley and Sterling Heights. "We raced fairly well but lost sight of some of our competitors in the large field," Zaranek said. "That's the biggest difference between a regular dual meet and the large jamboree."

"I feel we will really get used to this new format and improve our performance in the second and final jamboree."

South takes first at Pioneer

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's Brette Carroll looks like she wants to end her high school tennis career in style.

Carroll improved to 20-1 last weekend when she won the second singles flight at the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational, helping the Blue Devils take first place in the prestigious event.

"I think Brette had the toughest draw in the tournament," said coach Mark Sobieralski. "I don't know how she had any energy left for the finals."

Carroll found the energy somewhere as she avenged her only loss of the season by beating a Clarkston player 6-4, 6-0.

Earlier, Carroll beat players from Farmington Hills

Mercy and Pioneer. The match against Pioneers was a 6-2, 6-7, 7-5 victory for Carroll.

South and Pioneer each finished with 23 points, but the Blue Devils got the championship trophy because they won four flights to Pioneer's two.

The deciding match turned out to be No. 2 doubles where Dana Schweitzer and Mary Kate Hayden beat Pioneer 5-7, 6-4, 6-3.

"They were down 4-2 in the second set and 2-0 in the third," Sobieralski. "It was the last match of the day, so we all mobbed them after it ended."

South's No. 1 doubles team of McCall Monte and Priscila Paula improved to 20-1 by winning the flight. They beat Northville 6-0, 7-6 in the final.

South's other flight win came at No. 3 doubles where Supraja Sharma and Caitlin Littman didn't lose a set, and beat Pioneer 6-4, 6-2 in the final.

The No. 4 doubles team of Alexandra Dickson and Katherine Buchholz advanced to the championship match before losing a three-set match to Pioneer. In the second round, they avenged an earlier loss to Mercy.

In third singles, Laura Hyde lost her first match but won the next two to win the backdraw.

South clinched the Macomb Area Conference Red Division title with victories over Port Huron Northern (6-2) and Grosse Pointe North (8-0).

Blue Devils bow to Stallions

The start of the season hasn't been a very happy one for Grosse Pointe South's football team, but there have still been some bright spots.

Last week, South lost 26-6 to Sterling Heights in a Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

The Blue Devils' only touchdown came on a 95-yard interception return by Zac Hacias. It was one of two interceptions by Hacias. Mackenzie Brookes also picked off a Stallions pass.

Ryan Lutz continued to have a fine season in the offensive line.

"That's four straight great games for him," said coach Mike McLeod. "He's turning into one of the best offensive linemen we've had in four or five years."

McLeod also praised the play of linebackers Jim Cotzias, Kyle Debets, Evan Wouters and Paul Brosnan, nose guard Brian Commar and running back Vinnie Panizzi.

The Blue Devils will be looking for their first victory on Friday when they visit L'Anse Creuse.

Norsemen are 4-2 in MAC jamboree

Grosse Pointe North's girls cross country team wasn't able to sustain the strong performance it had a few days earlier when it competed in its first Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree.

North beat four of its division rivals, but lost to Grosse Pointe South and Stevenson.

"We had just come off a good race at Algonac three days earlier, but ran flat at the jamboree," said coach Scott Cooper.

"The varsity squad took the first mile out too hard and started falling back after the mile. This was the first big race of the season and the pressure got to many of them, but hopefully, we learned some good lessons that will pay off later in the season."

Betsy Graney, Hannah Clor, Cara Miserendino, Kelly Szymorski, Katie Horne, Brianne McDonald and Liz Rabadoux were North's first seven runners. McDonald's sixth-place finish was the tie-breaker against Utica Eisenhower.

"She's a freshman, who's been moving up quickly in the ranks," Cooper said. "She is a super hard worker in practice and when she gets a few good races under

her belt, will be a great threat."

Last weekend, North finished sixth in the 22-team Holly Invitational.

"We went to get experience running in a big race to prepare us for the state finals," Cooper said. "I asked the girls to concentrate on getting out strong but in control. I was very glad to see that they listened to me."

Graney was a perfect example. Before the mile mark she was 25th, but running her split like Cooper had asked. By the time she got to the two-mile mark she moved up to third, and that's where she finished.

"It was a great strong and smart race and she finished with her best time of the season on a fairly tough course," Cooper said.

Graney, Szymorski and Horne earned medals. Rounding out North's top seven were Jenny Bohannon, McDonald, Rabadoux and Jennie Brescoll. McDonald had a personal record.

Melissa Ciaravino finished second overall in the junior varsity race. Kaitlin Embree and Caitlin Hoffman also ran PRs in the JV race.

Knights split in duals

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's tennis team faced a pair of state-ranked Division IV teams in dual meets last week, and then got some more tough competition from the west side of the state at the East Grand Rapids Invitational.

"We played well," said coach Chuck Wright. "At East Grand Rapids we played a lot of close matches."

The Knights lost 5-2 to Detroit Country Day, but came back a couple of days later to beat Academy of the Sacred Heart 7-1.

Carrie Taylor, filling in for the injured Grace D'Arcy at fourth singles, posted a straight-set victory against ASH.

Holly Huth won easily at No. 1 singles, and Stefania Ford posted an impressive 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 win at No. 3.

ULS swept the four doubles matches behind Chrissie Keersmaekers and Sam Troyanovich, Allison Jones and Katie Boccaccio, Kim Dickinson and Leeza Kossak and Lauren Russell and Jamie Bow.

Dickinson and Kossak won 7-5, 6-0, while Russell and Bow posted a three-set victory.

"Kim and Leeza got on a roll after the first set," Wright said.

In the Country Day match, Huth won 6-1, 6-2 in first singles, and the No. 2 doubles team of Jones and Boccaccio posted a 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 victory.

D'Arcy was leading her No. 4 singles match 4-2 when she had to retire with an ankle injury.

Keersmaekers and Troyanovich took their No. 1 doubles opponents to three sets before losing.

In the East Grand Rapids tournament, Huth beat players from Forest Hills Central and Forest Hills Northern before losing to a

Port Huron Northern player at No. 1 singles.

Denine Simmons beat a player from PHN 1-6, 6-1, 7-6 (8-6).

"That was a good match for Denine," Wright said. "She lost to the girl in three sets earlier."

Keersmaekers and Troyanovich beat Forest Hills Central 6-4, 6-0, then lost a heartbreaker, 6-7, 6-2, 7-6 to East Grand Rapids at No. 1 doubles.

"That was a great match," Wright said. "They played really well all day."

Jones and Boccaccio won one match at No. 2 doubles, beating PHN 6-3, 6-0.

Dickinson and Kossak lost two three-set matches and a 7-5, 7-5 decision, while Russell and Bow also lost a pair of three-setters.

"They're all first-year varsity players but they're competing well," Wright said of his No. 3 and No. 4 doubles teams.

South third in jamboree

Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country team finished third in the first of two Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamborees.

"We did well despite injuries," said coach Tom Wise. "It was a very close loss to Sterling Heights (one point) that was disappointing."

"We're hoping for a quick return of Adam Dziuba and Christian Bielski."

South finished 4-2, losing only to Grosse Pointe North, which was undefeated, and Sterling Heights.

South's Joe Palowski finished second overall and teammate Jake Wernet was fourth.

Sean O'Donnell-Daudlin and John Konen also had good races for the Blue Devils.

The junior varsity race was highlighted by good runs from Mickey Champion, Matt Candela,

Trent Lattimore and Steve Dzul.

South's JV will run Friday at the Fraser Invitational at Stony Creek Metropark, while the varsity races at the Catholic Central Invitational at Cass Benton Park.

South golfer shoots a 67


Grosse Pointe South's Andy Kross shot a 67 to take medalist honors at last weekend's East Lansing Invitational golf tournament on the Forest Akers East golf course.

South finished sixth in the team standings with a total score of 302. Traverse City Central was the team champion with a score of 287.

Other South scorers were Tim Shield with a 77, Bryan Mansfield 78 and M.P. Hayden 80.



Natalie Humphry, left, and Maggie Collison led Grosse Pointe South to its second invitational championship of the season.



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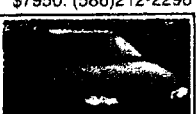
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South ends North's domination in boys soccer series

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South coach Frank Tymrak knows as well as anyone that Grosse Pointe North had dominated the recent boys soccer series between the crosstown rivals.

Until this season, when he became head coach at South, Tymrak had been a long-time assistant coach for the Norsemen.

"It was a good, solid game between the city rivals — a very competitive game," Tymrak said after the Blue Devils came away with a 2-1 victory in the Macomb Area Conference White Division match.

"North has won most of the recent meetings, so we felt the need to reverse the trend. It was an even game, back and forth with both teams having good opportunities."

North has a young team this year after graduating 11

seniors, including nine starters from its 2003 squad.

South opened the scoring late in the first half when Arlind Muca took a crossing pass from Tom Porter and headed the ball into the net.

"It was a well-conceived play," Tymrak said. "We've had a lot of players come off the bench and help us, and Arlind is one of those players."

South made it 2-0 in the second half when Porter's free kick sailed into the upper right corner of the net.

North's Ryan Symington tied the game with about three minutes left on a penalty shot.

The Norsemen put on some heavy pressure in hope of getting the equalizer, but Blue Devils goalie Ryan Hasson was able to preserve the lead.

"He played a very strong game," Tymrak said. "He

made 10 saves and half of them were spectacular. He certainly came with his 'A' game."

"It seemed like the ball was in our end for the last three minutes."

Spencer MacGriff played a strong game at midfield for South, while Paul Thomas, Alex Breitmeyer, Justin McMillan and Alex Jendrusina were among the Blue Devils who came off the bench to play well.

South made it two straight victories in the MAC White a couple of days later when the Blue Devils came from behind to beat Dakota 2-1.

The Cougars led 1-0 at halftime, but South came out strong in the second half and Porter tied the game on a direct free kick.

South continued to press in the offensive zone for most of the second half, and the Blue Devils were finally rewarded for their hard

work when MacGriff scored the winning goal with about four minutes left off a corner kick by Matt Leverenz.

Tymrak praised several of his players for their hard work, including strikers Chad Murphy, David Haberkorn and Bob Barker; and midfielders Thomas Breitmeyer, Porter, MacGriff, Bob Alexander and Chris Swenson. Hasson had another strong game in goal.

South played 1-1 ties in MAC crossover games with L'Anse Creuse North and Chippewa Valley.

"We played well at times," Tymrak said of the LCN game. "Our defenders played well on a busy evening in and around our goal area."

Sweeper Andy Wolking cleared two balls that were headed directly toward the net, and Hasson made several fully-extended saves to knock away what appeared

to be sure goals.

Other defenders who helped the South cause were Robbie Greening, Matt Daum, Willy Beierwaltes, Michael Haberkorn and Leverenz.

Wolking scored South's goal on a bending shot from about 40 yards out on a direct kick.

Tymrak said the Chippewa Valley game was important because it came just before the Blue Devils played their first division game.

"Chippewa won the White last year so playing well against them helped our confidence," Tymrak said.

Thomas scored the South goal, assisted by Murphy, with about 15 minutes to go in the second half. The Blue Devils carried the play the rest of the way, but couldn't break the tie.

Swenson at outside half-back, Wolking at sweeper and Murphy played strong games for South, which is 3-1-3 overall.

Tough foes beat ULS

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Opening the season against two of the weaker teams on University Liggett School's soccer schedule, didn't do much to prepare the Knights for its next competition.

"Having those two games against Bethesda and Macomb Christian made us lax in the speed of play against Southfield Christian," said ULS coach David Backhurst.

"(Southfield Christian) played a much faster game and we had trouble adjusting. We didn't have as much time as we thought to make the good pass, but we did adjust better in our next game."

Southfield Christian scored 27 seconds into the game and that was enough for the Eagles as they posted a 3-0 victory over the Knights.

"That was quite a jolt and we were facing an uphill battle the rest of the way," Backhurst said.

Southfield Christian scored again with 12 minutes remaining in the first half, and the Eagles completed the scoring on a long shot about eight minutes into the second half.

"They seemed much faster and quicker than we were," Backhurst said. "They lost a lot of players from last year's team but they have some good young players."

The Knights also played most of their game without

leading scorer Spencer Logan, who aggravated an ankle injury.

"We're not deep enough to afford to lose one of our best players," Backhurst said.

Backhurst was more encouraged with the way his team played in a 2-1 loss to Hudsonville Freedom Baptist.

"One of their goals was a rebound and the other was a fluke," Backhurst said. "It was a crossing pass attempt that just sailed into the net."

Once again, ULS fell behind early as Freedom Baptist scored its first goal with the game only four minutes old.

Logan, returning to action, set up Adam Heaney for the tying goal with 8 1/2 minutes left in the first half. It was a well-executed play by both ULS players.

"I thought we had played real well in the first half," Backhurst said. "We outshot them 15-7 and I thought we were back in the game."

However, Freedom Baptist broke the tie early in the second half with the errant pass that turned into a goal and the Falcons held off the Knights the rest of the way.

Chris Andreovich played well on defense in both games for ULS, while goalkeeper Greg Jones was also strong.

"He saved us a couple of times in each of the games," Backhurst said.

The loss left the Knights with a 2-2 overall record.

North swimmers win big in division opener

Grosse Pointe North's swimming team opened the Macomb Area Conference Red Division portion of its schedule last week with an impressive 120-60 victory over Fraser.

Juliana Schmidt led the way with victories in the 200- and 500-yard freestyle events and posted state-qualifying times in each.

Martha Everett was also a double winner with firsts in the 50 and 100 freestyle races.

Other individual winners for the Norsemen were Carolyn Jacobs, 100 butterfly; Megan Moore, 100 backstroke; Sarah Cullen, 200

individual medley; and Lauren Hanna, 100 breaststroke.

The 200 medley relay team of Jacobs, Hanna, Melissa Cleary and Cullen achieved a state cut in winning its event.

There were several season-best performances posted by North swimmers.

They were Everett, Lindsey Rader, Meghan Tripp, Katherine Cartwright, Michelle Carolan and Elizabeth Kalina, 50 freestyle; Everett, Samantha Obell, Allison Howell, Juliana Zarb, Lauren Nixon and Kalina, 100 freestyle;

Schmidt, Moore, Obell and Zarb, 200 freestyle; Schmidt, Heather Poole, Lindsey Kurtz and Dana Grimm, 500 freestyle; Moore, 100 backstroke; Hanna, Cullen, Rachel Martin and Christine Stevens, 100 breaststroke; Jacobs and Cleary, 100 butterfly; and Natalie Carolan and Kourtney Kohler, 200 individual medley.

Earlier, North beat Utica Eisenhower 116-54 in a MAC crossover meet.

Cleary was the Norsemen's only double winner with firsts in the 200 freestyle and 100 butterfly. Other winners were

Everett in the 50 freestyle; Jacobs, 100 freestyle; and Michelle Carolan, 100 backstroke.

North also had several season-best times against the Eagles.

They were posted by Rader, Christie Listwan and Kalina, 50 freestyle; Jacobs, Everett, Zarb and Moore, 100 freestyle; Cleary, Grimm and Tripp, 200 freestyle; Moore and Kurtz, 500 freestyle; Stevens and Kohler, 100 breaststroke; Neely Sullivan and Poole, 100 butterfly; and Cullen, 200 individual medley. North is 2-1 overall.

South field hockey team blanks Mercy

Grosse Pointe South's field hockey team remained undefeated with a 5-0 win over Farmington Hills Mercy and a 1-1 tie against Cranbrook Kingswood.

It was important for the Blue Devils (3-0-1) to get off to a good start because six of their next seven games are on the road, including conference matchups with perennial contenders Ann Arbor Pioneer and Ann Arbor Huron.

"This is an important stretch of games for us," said coach Monica Dennis. "It seems like we're on the road for the month of September and home for most of the month of October."

In the Cranbrook game, South trailed for the first time this year when Cranes forward Margot Chima scored five minutes into the contest after a scramble in front of the Blue Devils' goal.

It was the only goal allowed by South in its first four games.

The Blue Devils got the equalizer 10 minutes later when Andrea Caralis took a nifty pass from Kelly

Hughes, faked the Cranes' netminder out of position, and slipped a wrist shot into the corner of the net.

South controlled play for the rest of the half, but was unable to capitalize on several scoring chances.

Both teams' offenses struggled in the second half. The Blue Devils, who were missing several key players, were unable to muster a consistent attack. However, South's aggressive defense turned back many Cranbrook attacks, including three penalty corners.

South's victory over Mercy was its most impressive performance of the young season.

"Mercy was a nice game for us," Dennis said. "We used a new formation and had good attacks."

Caralis scored four goals to boost her total to nine.

"She's worked very hard and it shows," Dennis said.

Mallory Brown had South's other goal.

The two goal scorers had help on offense from Ali Morawski, Meg Varty, Aimee O'Brien, Alissa Tassopoulos and C.C. Mengel, who each

collected assists.

The prattiest goal of the game came in the second half when Mengel pushed a pass to Caralis, who shuffled it to O'Brien, and she set up Brown perfectly for a driving shot past the Marlins' goalkeeper.

Once again, South's defense was outstanding.

"We are in a rebuilding year on defense, but Mengel

and Mergi Scholtes in back are solid, and they provide a great example for young players like Emily Cumpata and Alissa Tassopoulos, who have stepped up quite nicely," Dennis said.

Jenn Lankford notched her third shutout of the season against Mercy. She made three excellent saves early in the game when it was still scoreless.

Knights get first basketball victory

University Liggett School's girls basketball team got a boost of confidence last week when it rolled to a 73-48 victory over Macomb Christian.

"Nothing builds confidence like winning," said Maurice Taylor, who assists head coach Dean Ristovski.

"We lost our first three games. They were against teams that were better than most of the teams we'll play in our league, but it's still nice to get a win."

Rebounding was one of the keys to the Knights' victory.

That had been a problem earlier in the year and Ristovski and Taylor addressed it in practice before the Macomb Christian game.

"We tried some new rebounding drills," Taylor said. "One of them was the Michigan State 'War Drill.' It seemed to help against Macomb Christian."

Chalene Jones led the way for ULS with 20 points and nine rebounds. Alex Houghtalin had a fine performance with 15 points and 13 rebounds, and Laura Nicholl added 16 points.

Freshman Taylor Brown also figured prominently in the victory as she collected 14 points, seven rebounds, six assists and six steals.

"Her basketball IQ is very high," Taylor said. "Her instincts make the game easier for everybody. She played the first couple of games on the JV team, but we decided we needed her up on the varsity."

North nips Dearborn

Ashley Rogers scored a second-half goal to break a tie and lift Grosse Pointe North's field hockey team to a 2-1 victory over Dearborn.

Melissa Carron passed the ball across the goal to Rogers, who one-timed it into the net.

Christi Sandmair gave the Norsemen a 1-0 lead at the 21-minute mark of the first half on a hard shot from the top of the circle. Marian Testori assisted.

North's offense kept the pressure on the Pioneers throughout the first half with 10 shots on goal and five offensive penalty corners, however, Dearborn tied the game on a fast-break goal late in the first half.

North had strong defensive play from Erica Gaitley, Elise Arsenaault and Liz Frost.

North's junior varsity

remained unbeaten with a 1-0 win over Dearborn.


Caley Rozema scored the only goal early in the second half after taking a pass from Marissa La Valley.

Liz Simon was outstanding in goal as she recorded her third shutout of the season.

Farms runner finishes first

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Peter Loy, a member of the De La Salle cross country team, finished first overall in Division I at the Algonac Muskra Invitational.

Loy completed the five-kilometer course in 16:44 to finish 11 seconds ahead of runner-up Robbie Fisher of Grosse Pointe North.



Grosse Pointe Soccer Association

BOARD ELECTION

Grosse Pointe Soccer Association (GPSA) is currently seeking letters of interest from individuals interested in seeking election to a position on the Board. An election for the position of Director of Uniforms will be held on October 20, 2004. GPSA has a strong history of providing children of the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities with a positive environment in which children receive excellent training, develop outstanding soccer skills, learn life long lessons of teamwork, and make lasting friendships. Anyone interested in helping contribute to the continued success of GPSA by serving on the Board is invited to send a letter of interest to Debbie Carmody, 1429 Kensington, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, or via email at wmcarmody@aol.com, prior to October 12, 2004. For more information, you may visit the GPSA web site at www.grossepointesoccer.com.

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