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Remembering 9/11

The Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety hoisted an American flag above Mack Avenue in front of city hall in remembrance of the terrorist strikes on Sept. 11, 2001. The flag was put into place last weekend, and Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke asked for a moment of silence before the Sept. 12 city council meeting in memory of the Sept. 11 victims and for those victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Parents issue stop order in the Woods

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

It didn't take long for parents of Ferry Elementary School students to voice their displeasure with the elimination of two stop signs on Morningside at Roslyn.

The long-time four-way stop was reduced to two stop signs on Roslyn, and that didn't sit well with parents once the school year began on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

Mothers Arabella Wujek and Peggy Hysick got more than 700 names on their petition to reinstate the stop signs at Morningside.

Wujek called Grosse Pointe Woods city council member Vicki Granger on Thursday, Sept. 8, telling her story about the lack of a stop sign at Morningside.

Grosse Pointe Woods city manager Mark Wollenweber, Grosse Pointe

Schools Superintendent Suzanne Klein and Granger got the ball rolling after receiving dozens of calls from concerned parents and Ferry principal Gloria Hinz, and by Friday, Sept. 9, early in the morning, the decision was made to put the stop signs back at Morningside.

"It's nice to know that we, as parents, can feel safer walking our children to school because cars will have to now stop at Morningside and Roslyn, as they did in the past," Wujek said. "It was an accident waiting to happen when the intersection took the stop signs down on Morningside. Cars were driving way too fast by the school, and we didn't want to see a child or even an adult get hurt."

Grosse Pointe Woods city manager Mark Wollenweber, Grosse Pointe

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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Sept. 15

Mack Avenue Days runs through Saturday, with sidewalk sales, music, food and activities for children. The kickoff event is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the front lawn of Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall.

St. Clare of Montefalco PTO's annual used book sale runs through Sunday in the social hall of St. Clare of Montefalco Church, Mack at Whittier.

Friday, Sept. 16

Grosse Pointe South's football team plays Sterling Heights, at home, beginning at 6 p.m. Ten percent of the game receipts go to the Red Cross for hurricane relief assistance.

Saturday, Sept. 17

The Lac Ste. Claire Fine Art Fair runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for two days at Veterans' Memorial Park, Jefferson and Masonic in St. Clair Shores.

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods' fitness event begins at 8:45 a.m. at Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms. Events include a one-mile run (or stroll) and children's races and games. (313) 432-3823.

Sunday, Sept. 18

Grosse Pointe Theatre's first production of the season, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," opens at 2 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium. Tickets are \$20. (313) 881-7511.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial joins with others around the nation for a "Yoga Moment" at 3 p.m. on the lake-side lawn. Participants and spectators are invited to join the group to do vrikasana (tree pose) for 1 1/2 minutes.

Grosse Pointe Chamber Music begins its season with a concert at 2:30 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets are \$7. (313) 885-4633.

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Mum sale gone mobile

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe's annual fundraiser got a helping hand last Saturday from Girl Scouts running their Mummobile wagon to deliver plants to customers' cars while League members sold chrysanthemums and refreshments to eager shoppers at the West Park Farmers Market. Proceeds support the League's voter education programs and candidate forums.

The scouts, left to right, are Katelyn Mocerl, Amy Zaranek, Stef-fi Shenouda and Amanda Shenouda, and League members, left to right, are Sharon Ruggirolli, Martha Shumaker, Judy Morlan, Cathy Heinrich, Janice Bauer, Evelyn Montgomery, JoAnn Kelly, (seated) Marybelle Suczek.

LWV-GP presents round-table talk on school financing

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will hold its fall kickoff membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The meeting will be a round-table discussion with local and state officials about how to remedy the current crisis in financing education.

Participants will be Sen. Martha Scott; Rep. Edward Gaffney; Kathleen Straus, state school board president; and Joan Dindoffer, Grosse Pointe Board of Education trustee.

In spite of a long tradition

of local control, Michigan now has a state education system. Since the approval of Proposal A in 1994, decisions about how much to spend on educating students have been made in Lansing. Now there is great concern, both locally and statewide, about the state's ability to finance quality public education. The round-table discussion will offer an opportunity to learn what elected officials think can be done about public school financing and to learn more about the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe.

The community is invited.

POINTER OF INTEREST

John Monaghan

Home: City of Grosse Pointe

Age: 17

Family: Father, Mark; mother, Peggy; sister, Liz, 22; brother, Chris, 20

Claim to fame: Grosse Pointe South senior, editor of the "Tower" newspaper and president of the Student Association

Quote: "Community service is important. It enriches the lives around you."

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John Monaghan

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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ Doors of Grosse Pointe public schools open wide to accept a record 9,075 young people this academic year.

Enrollment figures represent 620 more children, or 7.3 percent, than the 8,455 listed at this time last year.

■ The Grosse Pointe Public Health Department continues its second phase of administering Salk Polio vaccine in all Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods schools located in the Pointe school district.

Three new cases of infantile paralysis reported over the weekend in the Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Health District bring the yearly total to nine compared with 33 this time last year.

■ A nasty 11-year-old colic owned by a family at 1360 Three Mile Drive in

Grosse Pointe Park bites two people, including its owner, in one day.

The owner asks that the animal be put away.

According to Park police, the owner says the dog was "just too old and quarrelsome."

25 years ago this week

■ Lack of interest by Grosse Pointe Woods boaters sinks plans to construct a new bridge over the Milk River in time for the 1981 boating season.

Commencement of the \$183,000 bridge project, developed by the recreation commission and approved by the city council, depended on 75 percent of 234 wells at Lakefront Park being rented for 1981.

■ Steadily dropping enrollment whittled away at Grosse Pointe public schools

since 1971 — nine years ago — continues this year with the loss of almost 600 students since 1979.

The figure puts enrollment near the mid-1950s level of about 8,705 students, according to an unofficial count made by school administrators.

■ Sally Bell, principal of Defer Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park, resigns.

Bell will accept the job of curriculum director for the Park County School District in Powell, Wyo. The district is near Yellowstone National Park.

10 years ago this week

■ James Alogdelis announces he won't seek reelection this November to the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

He is the third Woods council member in the past few weeks to announce retirement. Jean Rice stepped down this summer and Peter Gilezan has informed the community he will not return to office.

■ Permanent lights installed in August at the football field at Grosse Pointe South High School illuminate that the Blue Devils have some improving to do.

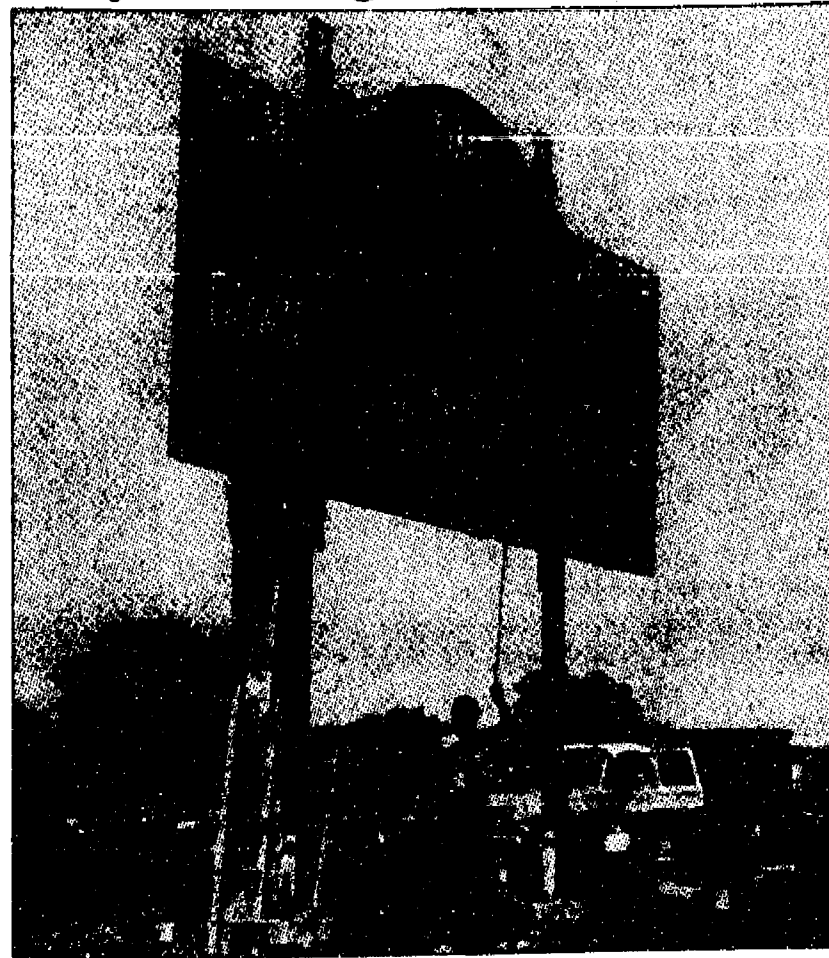
The team loses its first game under the lights against Notre Dame 18-9 before a crowd of 1,400.

■ The Old Place restaurant and the Wilhelm Funeral Home building on Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park are scheduled to be demolished this week to make way for construction of 40 condominium units.

5 years ago this week

■ Mark Jacob, a Grosse Pointe Farms public safety

50 years ago this week



forget what down it is or the time left to play. Workmen are shown hoisting it into position at the west end of the gridiron. It will be in operation when the Pointers open the 1955 season against Mount Clemens. (Photo by Fred Runnells. From the Sept. 15, 1955, Grosse Pointe News.)

At long last, it's here

For years spectators were forced to squint at an old ramshackle, hand operated football scoreboard on the Grosse Pointe High School athletic field. Last year the high-scoring Blue Devils displayed such a devastating attack that the scoreboard operator couldn't keep pace with rapidly mounting touchdowns. Recently the school purchased a new electric scoreboard which practically makes it impossible for the fans or players to

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work "Riding the Bullet" is an exclusive eBook release. — Brad Lindberg

Grosse Pointe Library sets fall/winter hours

The Grosse Pointe Public Library has changed its hours for its three branches, effective Sept 11, 2005, to June 17, 2006.

Central library is open Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Ewald branch's hours

are Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Woods branch is open Monday - Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and closed Sunday.

— Beth Quinn

Stop

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director of public safety Mike Makowski concurred with Wollenweber to get the signs back in place.

"We received a lot of phone calls about putting the stop signs back; so we made a quick decision to do it," Makowski said. "We thought it would take some time to get used to the new two-way stop, but the school parents weren't very happy with it. We understand how

important it is for our school children to be safe going to and coming from school; so we put the stop signs back at Morningside."

Parents were ecstatic about the four-way stop when they picked up their children from Ferry Elementary at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 9. Many honked their horns at Wujek and Hysick, telling them, "Great job on getting the stop signs back."

Week Ahead

From page 1A

Monday, Sept. 19

The Dossin Great Lakes Museum fundraiser runs from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the museum, 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle. Tickets are \$150. (313) 331-3842, ext. 310.

The League of Women Voters hold a round-table discussion with local and state officials about how to remedy the crisis in financing education. The discussion begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium.

Tuesday, Sept. 20

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library presents a talk by author Joyce Carol Oates at 7 p.m. in the Fries Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 for non-members. (313) 343-2074, ext. 204.

Wednesday, Sept. 21

The American Association of University Women holds its 43rd annual Used Book Sale through Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

First English Ev. Lutheran Church begins a course for parents and grandparents, "Parting on Purpose — The Balance of Love and Discipline." Cost is \$10 per family. (313) 884-5040.

Pointes for Peace meets to hear a speaker, attorney Shereed Akeel, at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. The community is invited. (313) 882-7732.

Thursday, Sept. 22

The Grosse Pointe Public School System holds a public forum as it begins developing a revised human sexuality curriculum for grades 4 through 7. The forum begins at 7 p.m. in the library of Brownell Middle School.

Grosse Pointe North High School students invite parents to Back to School Night from 7 to 9 p.m. Parents follow their child's schedule, spending about 10 minutes with each teacher. (313) 432-3215.

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City must rise to meet Sunrise development

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

If one way is better than another, it is the way of a planned unit development.

City of Grosse Pointe officials are using the urban planning tool to oversee transformation of part of a Village parking lot into condominiums for senior citizens.

A unanimous city council this week designated the property a planned unit development, or PUD, to help simplify oversight of Sunrise Development's effort to build 79 condo units for senior citizens under one, four-story roof.

"Planned unit developments facilitate projects that don't fit in the zoning ordinance but provide a number of benefits to the city," said John Jackson, the City's commercial planning consultant, vice president of McKenna Assoc., and City resident.

Sunrise envisions its building occupying part of the rear portion of a municipal parking lot behind businesses including CVS Pharmacy on Kercheval between St. Clair and Neff — plus land now occupied by the first six houses on the east side of St. Clair south of Kercheval toward St. Paul.

The proposed structure exceeds normal zoning limits on at least three main counts:

- The structure, while lauded for its Tudor and residential style, is 46 feet tall. City rules limit height in residential districts to 35 feet or 2 1/2 stories.
- Sunrise's building has a 39,970-square-foot footprint, amounting to 45 percent lot coverage, another exception to the rule.
- Residential density resulting from a cluster of nearly 80 condos would be greater than normally allowed in the zoning district.

"I'm very supportive of the request," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

"In concept it's a good idea," said Councilman John Stevens.

"I welcome it," said Councilman Joe Jennings.

Sunrise representatives have been trying to set up shop in the Village since at least April 2004. Their first idea to transform the vacant former Jacobson's building into senior living failed to draw support.

A series of subsequent meetings with City leaders and private residents resulted a few months ago with the initial design for St. Clair project.

The latest incarnation revealed this week reflected residents' concerns that the facility's service drive and garage entrance abutted neighboring houses. Both aspects of the plan were relocated away from houses to the Village side of the structure.

Condos would sit atop a 125-space underground parking garage. Delivery trucks, other than courier-type services catering to residents, would access the

property through the municipal parking lot off St. Clair.

The site is to be landscaped. A wall up to six feet tall will shield residents on Neff.

Jackson cited a traffic study predicting the development would generate an increase of 400 vehicle trips per day on St. Clair. He said the figure is close to a projected 350 additional trips per day if the property were developed within zoning rules.

Mike Overton, city manager, wants to commission a traffic study of the entire Village district. He's holding off on the project until the Sunrise and other development ventures are sorted out.

"We hope to start that (traffic study) this winter," Overton said.

Council members this year added a PUD provision to the zoning ordinance to allow regulatory flexibility regarding projects outside the norm but within the public interest.

Council members this week agreed with Jackson that the condo project would benefit the City on at least seven counts:

- provide additional housing for the City's aging population,
- generate foot traffic to benefit Village businesses and vitality to the district,
- complement the City's architectural standards and heritage,
- contribute to a traffic study of the Village,
- improve the municipal parking lot,
- extend the Village streetscape design down St. Clair, and
- improve infrastructure and water service on St. Clair.

Laura Hester, Sunrise Midwest region vice president of development, said condos would be priced from \$500,000 to \$600,000 each. Units would range from 1,000 to 2,200 square feet and be restricted to senior citizens.

Each condo valued at \$400,000 would generate \$8,000 annual property taxes, according to Charles Kennedy III, city attorney.

Scrace said Sunrise has pledged \$75,000 toward redevelopment of the parking lot, plus \$25,000 toward purchase of a centralized trash compactor. The compactor would replace about a dozen Dumpsters scattered through the area and be shared by a number of businesses, including restaurants, on Kercheval between St. Clair and Neff.

City officials welcome Sunrise, but construction is far from dawning.

Under ideal circumstances ground breaking couldn't happen until September 2006, Hester said.

Following at least 16 months of construction, Hester looked for a grand opening no sooner than March 2008.

"This is the public hearing part of the process where they (Sunrise) present a preliminary plan," Jackson

explained to about 40 residents and Village merchants attending Monday night's special council meeting dedicated to the condo matter. "There's another step in the process where we get into a lot more nuts and bolts of the site plan and require a lot more detailed information before it will ever get final approval."

"Sometimes the devil's in the details," Scrace said.

"This is much too high," said Rand Sobczak, owner of two properties on nearby Neff, of the 46-foot tall building.

Sobczak thinks Hester's sales projections are equally above and beyond.

"There have been very few \$500,000 condos sold thus far," he said.

Duncan MacEachern, another neighbor, dislikes the idea of living near a major construction site for about 1 1/2 years. He thinks affected residents should be compensated.

"I'd like a rollback in taxes during construction," MacEachern said.

"That has never come up before," Scrace said.

Two years after Jacobson's closed due to bankruptcy in 2002, City officials hired a marketing consultant to analyze prospects for the three-block downtown area. The consultant in September 2004 advised City officials the Village was too small to attract major commercial interest.

Keys to increased vibrancy centered on expanding the district's business and residential capacity — more shopping space, more shops and more shoppers, the consultant reasoned.

The same with restaurants and office space, the latter restricted to upper stories in order to promote the Village's pedestrian oriented, first-floor retail character.

While Sunrise pursues its goal, City officials have been thinking of ways to increase activity in the Village.

Last month a notice was issued inviting developers to build a multi-story mixed-use structure — retail stores, office space and condominiums with parking for all — on what is called Lot 2, a municipal parking area north of Kercheval between St. Clair and Notre Dame.

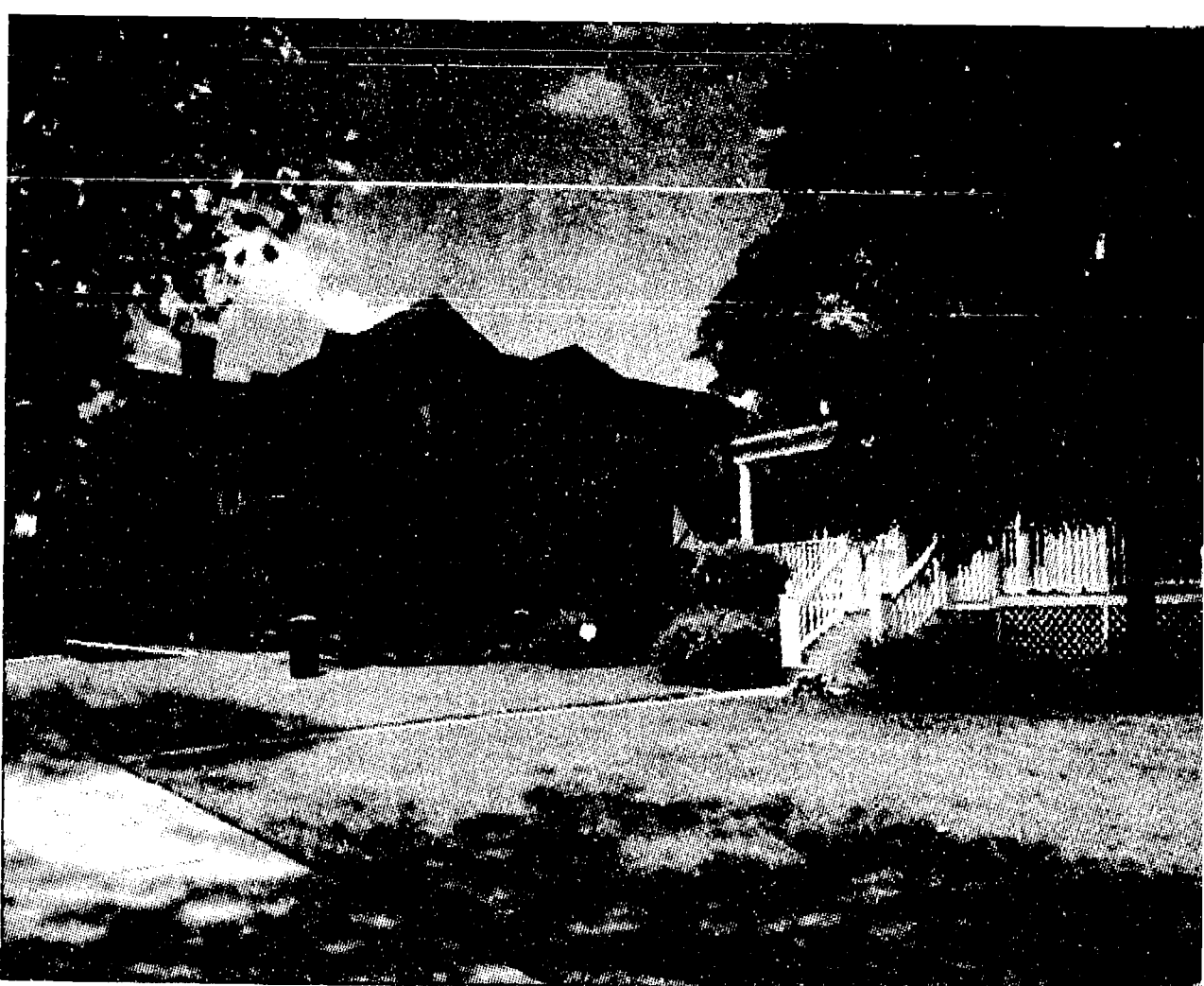
Responses are due in October, according to Overton.

Meanwhile, Cullan F. Meathe, a Farms resident, has purchased the former Jacobson's building. The former department store sits on the south side of Kercheval across from Lot 2 and across St. Clair from the Sunrise site.

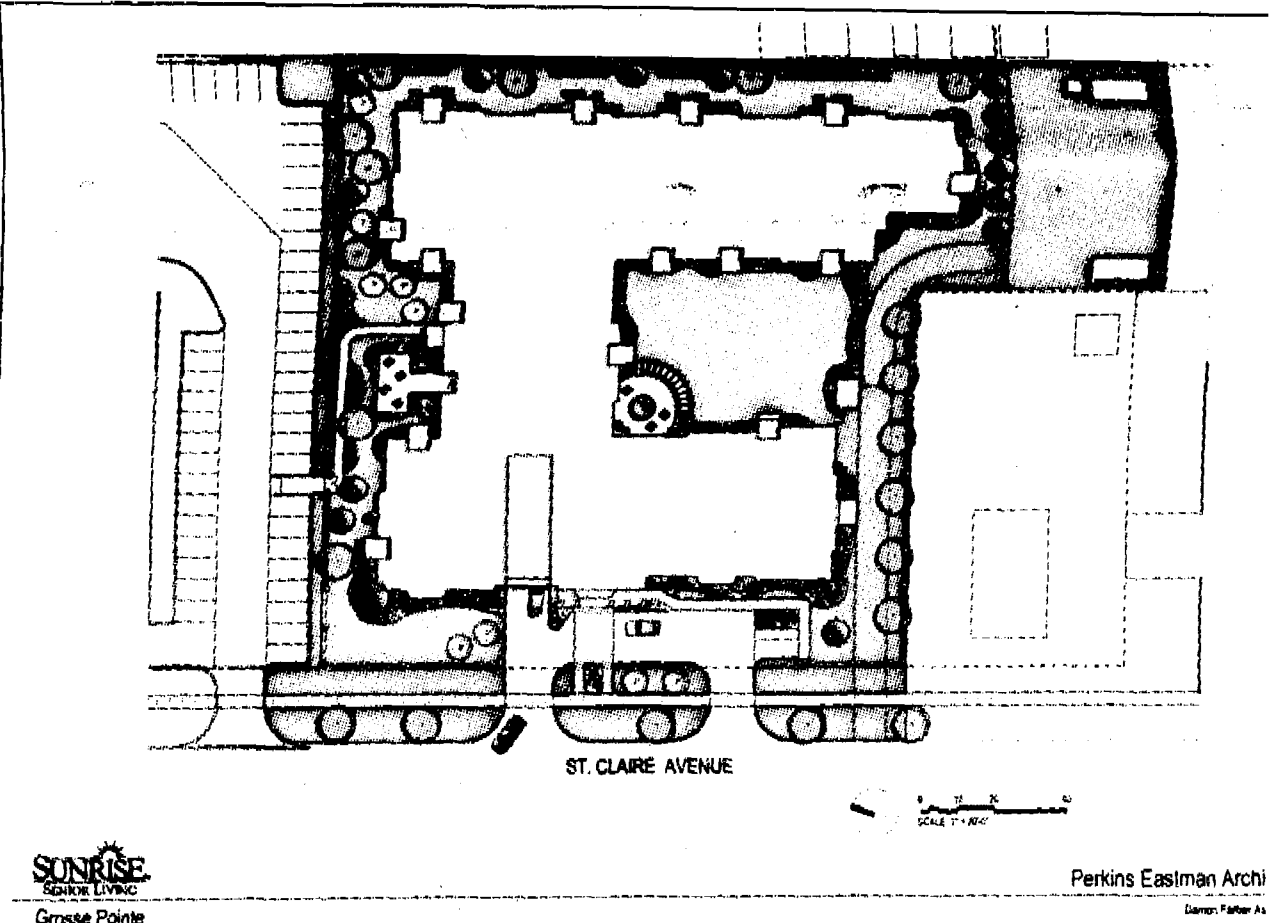
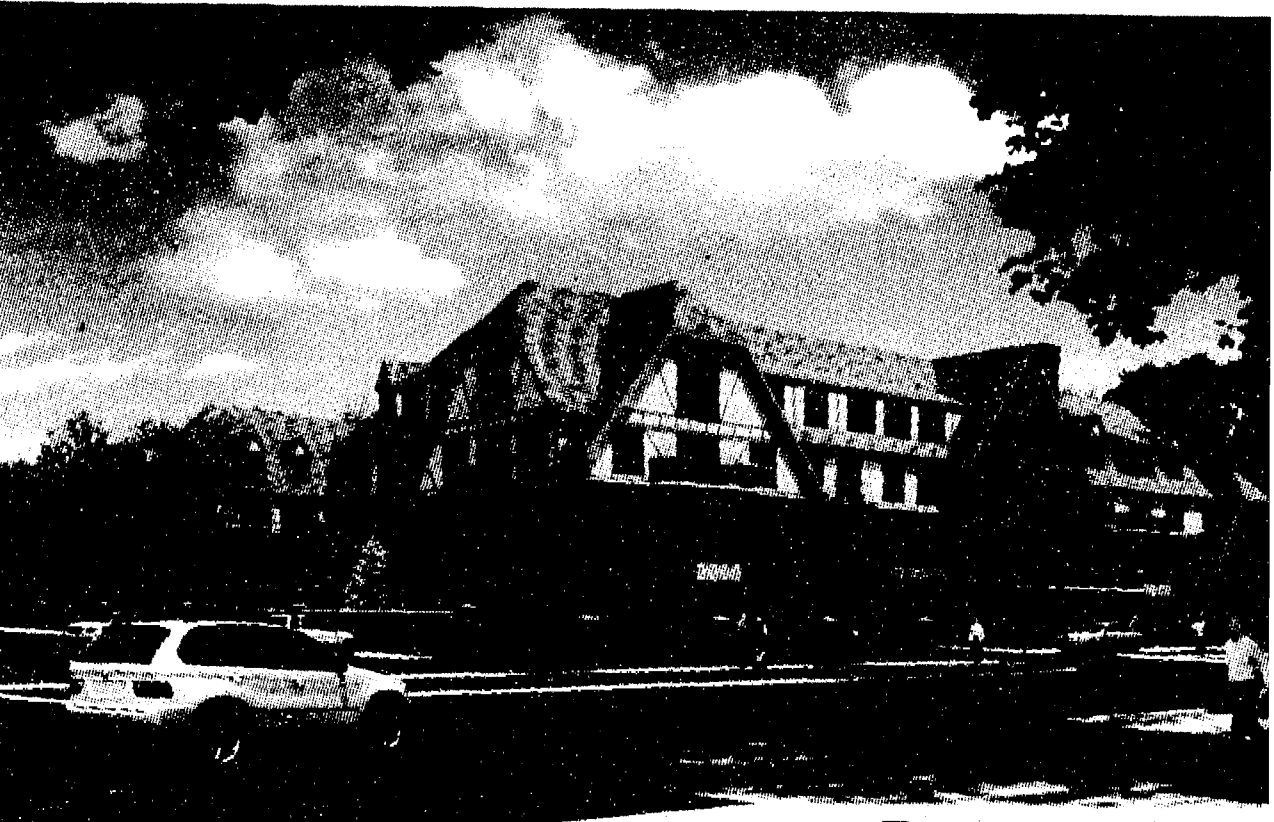
Meathe said he wants to renovate and expand the building into yet another mixed-use development.

Some residents of the area foresee sharing two years of their lives in a swirl of flatbed trucks loaded with construction material, cement mixers, front-end loaders, dust and noise.

Overton said development of Lot 2 could take place



Images courtesy of Sunrise Development. Sunrise Development wants to build a 79-unit condominium complex for senior citizens on St. Clair just south of the Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe. Above is a view looking toward the Village, and below is a view looking from the Village. Bottom is the plan's overhead view.



'Off the Record' host to regale Republicans

Tim Skubick, longest serving member of the State Capitol press corps with 35 years of covering Michigan government and politics, will be the speaker at the next Eastside Republican Club forum on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"The club invites the community to meet and hear Tim Skubick when his good humor takes us from giggles to guffaws as he 'tells it like it is' in Michigan politics," says Marti Miller, chairman of the Eastside Republican

Club.

Most notable is Skubick's years of anchoring the widely acclaimed weekly public TV series "Off the Record" on Sunday mornings in the Detroit area. In addition, he covers the State Capitol for WWJ Newsradio 950 in Detroit.

Skubick's writing includes a weekly political column in 22 other statewide newspa-

pers. He also covers politics for the Michigan Radio Network composed of 66 radio stations around the state; and he writes for the Lansing Newsletter MIRS. He has written a book titled "Off the Record," revealing an inside look at the major political stories over the 35 years, including the campaigns and tenures in office of Govs. Blanchard, Engler and Granholm — and some surprises. The book will be for sale at the forum, which Skubick will autograph.

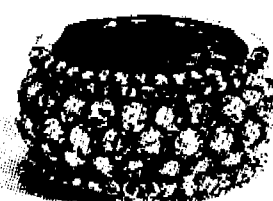
Skubick holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State University,

and was recently inducted into the Michigan Broadcasters Hall of Fame.

The Eastside Republican Club forum is held at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month from September through June at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Admission to the forum is free, and the public is always welcome regardless of political affiliation.

For more information about the Eastside Republican Club programs or membership, call Marti Miller (313) 886-3785, or visit the Web site at eastside-republican-club.org.

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South's Monaghan is a leader in the making

The senior puts his knowledge into action.

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

John Monaghan is a leader in the making.

As editor-in-chief of the "Tower," South's six-page weekly newspaper, and president of the South's Student Association (SA), the senior has the pulse of the high school.

"Student council and the newspaper intertwine," said senior Monaghan.

What happens in student council affects the entire student population. There is no better way to keep students current than through the newspaper. Monaghan can walk from an SA meeting to the newspaper room. There he can assign any one of his 30 reporters or editors on a story stemming from a recent SA decision.

The student council knows what is going on in the school, and the newspaper is there to inform students about issues and events, he said.

"They (students) need to know the important issues, the big issues. They may not know or care, but they should be informed. Our job is to inform."

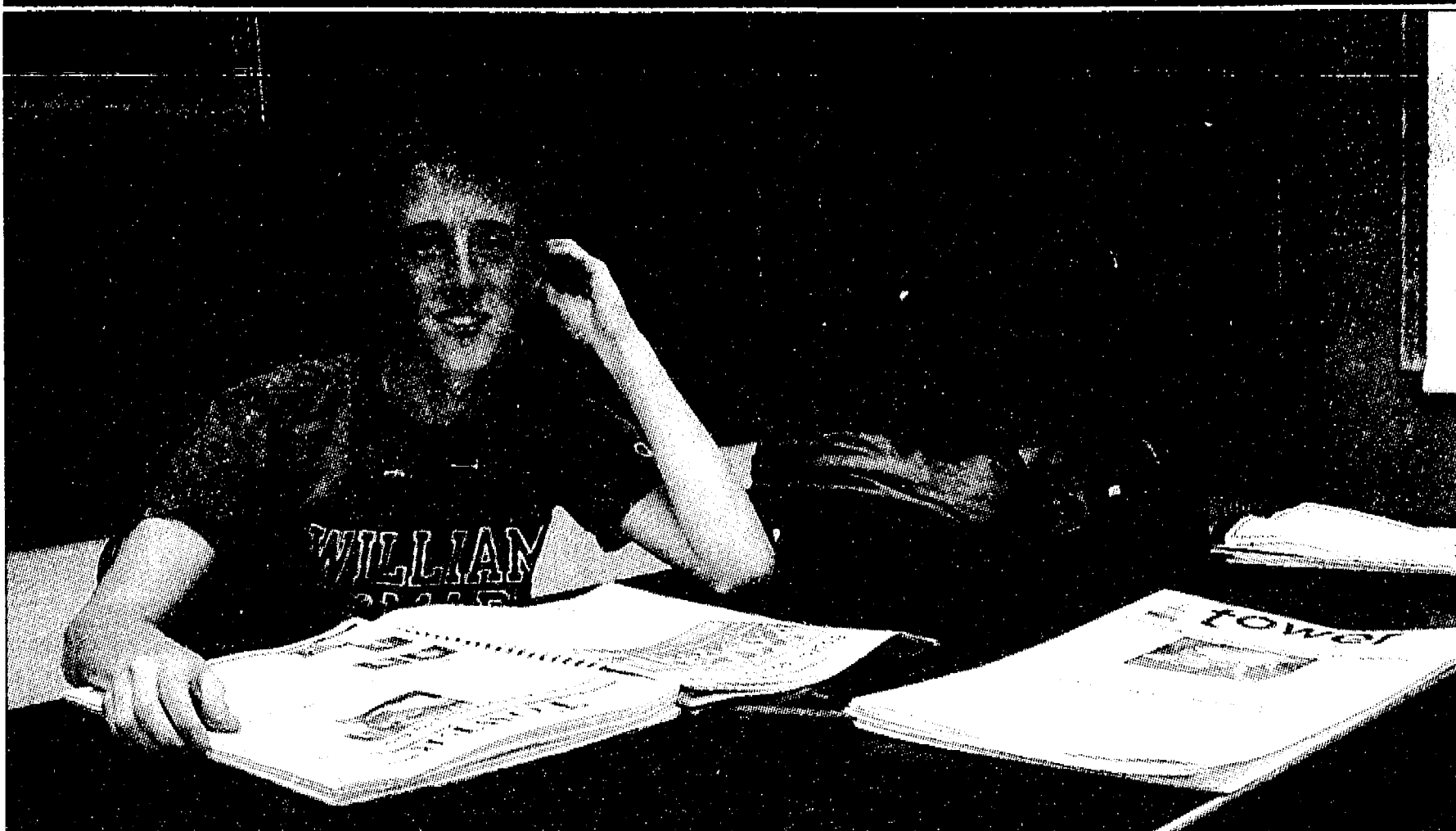
The "Tower" is an award-winning publication and Monaghan gives credit to his staff for keeping the standards high.

"It's all about the kids on staff. People expect high quality. Grosse Pointe kids are driven. They expect a professional publication. They are driven by pressure to be good and to put out the best work," said Monaghan, who was sports editor during his junior year.

At 17, Monaghan fills his leadership roles culling knowledge gained through leadership camps, volunteering on committees and performing community service.

Volunteering for the children's portion of the Coalition of Temporary Shelter, he said, "It's fun. Everyone should join."

POINTER OF INTEREST



Grosse Pointe South Senior John Monaghan is the editor-in-chief of the "Tower" paper and is president of the Student Association.

Community service is important. It enriches the lives around you. Don't do it just for your college application, if you don't enjoy it. That's not the path to take. All the activities I do, I do for a reason."

Whether it's a small act of kindness a few hours a month or making sure homecoming comes off without hitch, Monaghan is on top of it.

Beginnings

The idea of becoming part of the student government began at the suggestion of his father's co-worker. She said her son found being an SA member rewarding. He thought of it as a way to get out of school for a day.

Freshmen are elected to SA after homecoming and generally begin their service by observing SA workings. Monaghan's style differed—he volunteered right away.

"The first big thing is the

volleyball marathon. It's the largest service project the student body does. It's in honor of Eric Rentenbach. He was an SA president and died at a young age. He was an impressive leader and touched people's lives," Monaghan said.

In his freshman year, Monaghan co-chaired the event, and his hand has been in the air to volunteer ever since.

"I like keeping busy," he said. Yet, there is a drawback to taking on too many projects.

"If I want something done, I do it myself. That can lead to overload. I am delegating more than in the past," he said.

One of the many lessons Monaghan has learned during the past three years of attending leadership training camps is acknowledging weaknesses and turning them into strengths.

When Monaghan decided student council activities would be his focus, he ventured alone to a summer leadership camp.

"Through that experience I found what I wanted to do in student council. I wanted to serve on the state board for student councils."

Each of Michigan's 12 centers sends a representative to the Michigan Association of Student Councils Board of

Directors (MASC) state conference held in March or April.

"I chose to run for that. I met tons of people from across the state. One of my best friends from camp was my opponent. It was a weird situation. We both wanted the seat badly."

Monaghan lost, and his friend, Mary Lambert, from Livonia Franklin took the seat. In the end, he achieved a seat representing Washtenaw, Hillsdale, Monroe and Lenawee counties.

The four meetings a year feature varied topics. With newly elected student council representatives, the fall session is a natural, effective meeting management and Parliamentary management.

During winter meetings, students from high schools across the state explain events that have succeeded locally. This is a chance for these young people to learn the skills of presentation, poise, organization and persuasion.

"New ideas come through the meetings. They have different perspectives," he said.

Using thunder sticks at school events is an idea Monaghan retrieved from a state student council meeting.

"Kids can use them at pep rallies, football games and

future events. It's a small thing."

Small things add up to a larger picture. SA is a good example of presenting small things, but at the end of the year a much larger picture emerges.

The Muscular Dystrophy Volleyball marathon collects a large amount of money. SA sponsors a canned food drive and hosts staff appreciation day. SA's concern for the next two weeks are the homecoming festivities.

Keeping events running smoothly is all within Monaghan's realm because of his organizational skill.

"My organizational skills are my strength. Look at this room," he said of the newspaper room where computers were lined up and not a reporter note in sight. "It's clean. A clean environment represents an organized mind," he said.

Organization leads to planning which leads to making decisions.

"I see the opportunity. I make the decision for the best result to be obtained," he said.

One of the recent decisions he made was to share his skills with other SA members. Since homecoming is early this year (the week of Sept. 19) he said he felt it advantageous to get a jump on the activities and held a summer workshop at his home. The topic was management and homecoming because student council representatives are plan-

ning the dance, the pep assembly, the parade, spirit week activities and float judging.

There are committees to manage, people to motivate and ideas to be put into motion. Monaghan must handle this as well as attend classes and send out college applications, just like any other student. He is taking advanced journalism III (the "Tower" class), AP European history, Spanish V, architecture, AP biology, AP calculus and film literature.

"It's (South) an amazing school. It's excellent in so many areas with athletics, with clubs, with academics. There are so many great teachers. Class offering so diverse. I love my class schedule. I have one hour of producing newspaper and the next talking Machiavelli architecture. There are so many different opportunities. It's a great Renaissance education," he said.

When he hands the SA gavel to the next president, turns off his computer in the "Tower" room, and hangs up his cross-country shoes, where will he take his leadership skills?

Like many high school seniors, his future ideas are changing daily.

"My aspirations change daily," he said. "I change my mind every day."

Monaghan is looking at Duke, Georgetown, Northwestern, University of Michigan and William and Mary.

Yet, he is an organized soul and has tentatively focused on combining his love of the Spanish language with his interest in international politics. The youngest of three children of Mark and Peggy Monaghan said, "Latin America has always interested me. Argentina in particular. I know I want to pursue Spanish. Law school a possibility. You need to know laws if you want a change."

Whatever path he chooses, Monaghan will be looking forward to it because he said that his experiences with SA and MASC have brought him to a point where he feels comfortable with strangers.

During MASC conferences, he said he did "things that test your personality, morals and values. I went places I didn't have time or opportunity when in school. I'm more outgoing from camp experience. It will help in college, meeting all new people. I'm more open to new experience."

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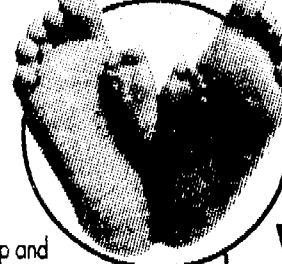
Anna Elizabeth Chrisman, daughter of Charles and Jeanne Chrisman of Harper Woods, was named the Class of 2005 valedictorian for Dominican High School, Detroit.

She graduated with a 3.89 grade point average and is attending Loyola University Chicago on an academic scholarship, as well as scholarships from the World Vision Fund and the Community Caring Fund. Chrisman was a member

of the National Honor Society, the Young Dominican preachers, National High School Scholars, and United States Achievement Academy Scholars and was one of WXYZ's Best and Brightest. She has studied the Cecchetti method of ballet for 14 years and has been a teacher assistant at Grosse Pointe War Memorial for three years.

Chrisman attended Ferry Elementary and Parcels Middle School.

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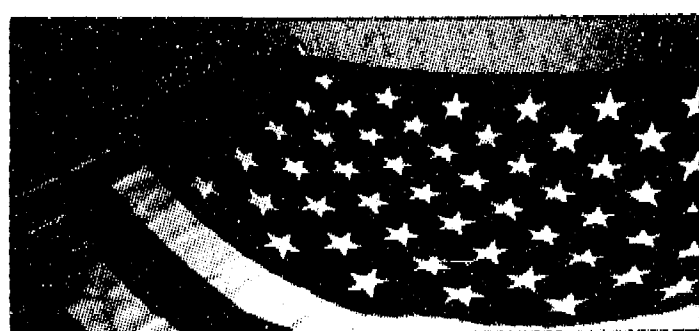


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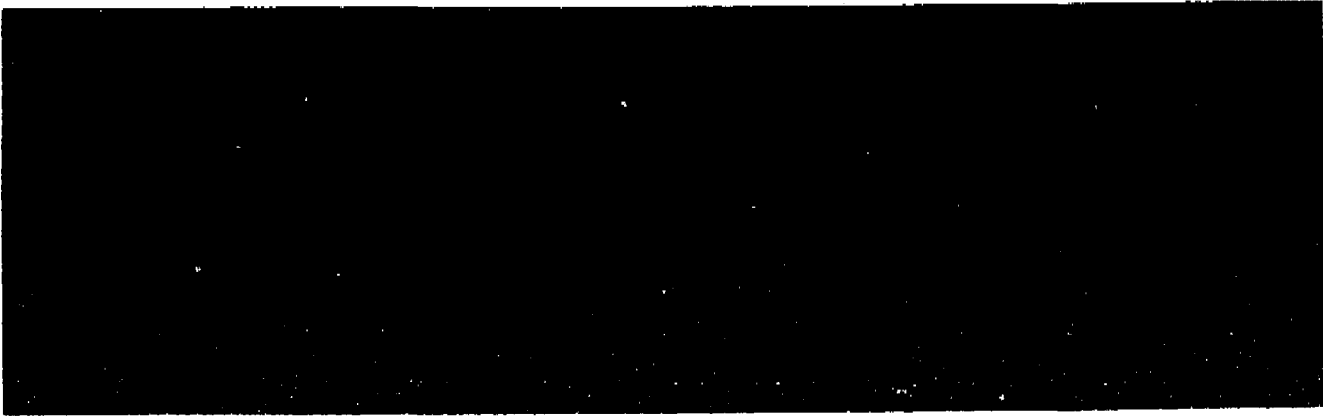
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Parents put brakes on Morningside

What looks good on paper is not necessarily what is in the best interests of the community. That is the lesson Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Michael Makowski learned loud and clear last week.

Responding to a study that found traffic on Morningside would move along more smoothly if stop signs at Roslyn Road were removed, the city took them down. That move eliminated the four-way stop at Morningside and Roslyn.

However, the city officials, who most likely do not have children attending Ferry Elementary School, failed to



realize how parents and the school principal would react.

School had barely started Tuesday, the day after Labor Day, when parents were already circulating petitions to get the four-way stop restored.

Parents said the through traffic on Morningside was "an accident waiting to happen."

We can understand their concern. We can also understand the point of view of city officials, police and traffic engineers.

Four-way stops are disliked by

police and traffic experts. The problem with four-way stops is no one has the clear right of way. Human nature being what it is, some people patiently await their turn while others jump the gun. Also, stop signs on normally through streets increase rear-end accidents.

Should an accident occur, how can it be determined who arrived at the stop sign first? Perhaps eye witnesses can testify to the problem, but not always. Of course, the same thing can happen at an intersection with a stop light.

Sans witnesses, who can say whether the light was red or green and for whom? That is why motorists should voluntarily stop and give their accounts of accidents to police.

We think Director Makowski and City Manager Mark Wollenweber did the right thing last Friday when they took it upon themselves to get the stop signs on Morningside replaced.

True, the four-way stop may be more of an inconvenience to Morningside drivers, and, true, there may be questions of fault should an accident occur there. But in the long run, we agree with the parents and the school principal that the four-way stop is safer than unrestricted motorists accelerating down Morningside.

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High cost of education?

By Lisa Papas
City of Grosse Pointe

As a mother of six, four of my children school-aged, I realize that we feel the sticker shock of back-to-school costs more than most. I am feeling increasingly frustrated with what we pay for "public education." Proposal A was a lemon of a law when it was enacted, and all the problems that were mentioned at the time it was passed have come to be.

All of the programs that attracted us to the Grosse Pointe Public School System are in jeopardy. Our elementary instrumental program was almost cut last year, a cut that would have devastated our outstanding programs at the middle and high school level. This year our cafeteria staff was privatized. I know that there is talk of the same happening to our custodial staff.

Meanwhile, I had an experience recently that really put it in perspective. I attended an open house on a Sunday. The home I looked at was built within a year of my own 1926 home and looks almost identical from the outside. Curious to see how the architectural details compared to ours, I attended the open house. The house had been added on to and has 1,350 more square feet than ours. It also sits on a corner lot, and so the lot size is larger than ours. Yet we pay \$2,500 more in property taxes. The owners of the larger home have lived in it six years longer than we have been in ours.

Besides the fact that I think it is blatantly unfair that the tax load is so disparate, it doesn't stop there. Within the last month, we have shelled out \$360 for our high school son at registration and \$130 for our daughter at Brownell.

Granted there were some optional items in there, like school picture packages and yearbooks. There were charges for a French workbook and a \$30 "activity fee" for after-school clubs at Grosse Pointe South and \$25 at Brownell. Add to that \$200 for our son after he made the boys freshman soccer team, (\$100 per player fee, new this year, and \$100 to the soccer boosters partly for new team jerseys); now add \$200 approximately for his costing out for the choir. Now we are up to \$900.

Next come the ever-growing lists of school supplies that come home. I have no problems buying my children basic items like notebooks, pencils, pens and crayons, etc. However, I am tired of the detailed lists demanding certain size sticky notes for this class and a particular size binder for that class, etc. No teachers should have to dip into their pockets to buy supplies for the class, but there is a smarter way to approach the issue of classroom supplies.

Every year my children take in boxes of tissues, wipes and Ziploc bags. The last couple of years, they were required to keep those extra supplies in their lockers. Because our last name falls later alphabetically, they all came home in June with mangled, now unusable boxes of tissues, etc., that simply took up needed locker space.

It would be so much easier for everyone if all families contributed \$10 or \$15 to their child's class, and those extra supplies were purchased in bulk. It would eliminate the needless waste that goes on every year and save a great deal of time for very frustrated parents.

Every year, I run into parents as we

walk through the stores school-supply shopping, and all parents whom I talk to are as disgusted at what they have to purchase as I am.

This year, we have spent about \$400 on supplies to date, and that doesn't include more spiral notebooks that are still needed and all the tissues, wipes and Ziploc bags. That is easily another \$100.

Grand total for the beginning of the new school year so far: \$1,400!

As the year continues, our son is planning to dive in the winter. There is another \$100. Track in the spring, \$100. Who knows how much the swim team boosters and the track boosters will want?

These booster clubs exist in addition to the Athletic Boosters club, which we have paid our dues to. Don't forget that we are going to contribute to the choir boosters and the orchestra boosters. Perhaps we will just have to tell our son not to be so darn active in his school!

Going on, I will be hit up by my children periodically to replace many of their supplies. My elementary-aged children often participate in "team teaching" classrooms, which means that our kids tote their supplies through the halls from class to class, and have other children sitting at their desks in their homerooms. Many of the supplies that we purchase disappear as the year goes on. Not to mention that all of my children are complaining of sore backs from the heavy backpacks that they tote around.

Finally, each child will come home several times a year with permission slips asking for more money for field trips. Last year, most of those trips were \$25 to \$30 a shot. The majority of those costs were for chartering buses. Some of those field trips were worthwhile, like the fourth-grade trip to Lansing to tour the Capitol Building and the Michigan Historical Museum. Some of those trips were not, like the \$30 for my seventh-grade daughter's "team" to visit Comerica Park and Greektown. I question spending money for field trips that are not educational in nature.

If you combine all the fees that are paid for busing the athletic teams for five schools (North, South, Parcels, Brownell and Pierce), as well as all of the field trips taken in all of the schools in the district, wouldn't it be more prudent to have some kind of bus contract?

I know of plenty of children who are always absent on field trips because their parents either don't have or don't want to pay for the trips.

Basic supplies bought in bulk for each classroom would be much easier and economical. Classes should provide, in my opinion, things like glue, scissors and tape.

Proposal A has wreaked havoc on every school system in the state and needs to be changed. However, the Grosse Pointe Public School System also needs to be aware that there are families in this district who are struggling to afford all of the extra costs that are constantly passed on.

I want our children to have the best that we can give them, but I resent the ridiculous sums of money we spend needlessly. All while paying \$2,500



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at phands@grossepointenews.com

Letters

Thanks for G.P. South swim meet

To the Editor:
To the City of Grosse Pointe City Council and the Grosse Pointe Schools Board of Education:

I would like to thank you for the tremendous insight and wisdom shown by the employing of wonderfully creative and energetic personnel.

The weekend of Sept. 10 Grosse Pointe was host to the first ever Michigan Outdoor Relay Invitational Swimming and Diving Meet. It was held Saturday morning at Neff Park, hosted by Grosse Pointe South's Girls Swimming and Diving Team.

Much appreciation needs to be given to Todd Briggs, head coach of the Grosse Pointe South team; Matt Outlaw, Grosse Pointe South athletic director; and Chris Hardenbrook, parks and recreation director for the City of Grosse Pointe. Their creativeness, organizational skills and outstanding dedication to the Grosse Pointe community was wrapped up together to put on one of the most enjoyable events of our year.

The Outdoor Swimming and Diving Meet was host to six teams. Joining Grosse Pointe South were Birmingham Groves, Jackson, Troy, L'Anse Creuse, and Chippewa Valley. What a perfect way to showcase our beautiful community to other Michigan residents.

With over 270 swimmers and divers and as many spectators, Neff Park was the site to an exciting, positive activity for our community. So often the media picks up negative things about our community, and this collaborative effort between the Grosse Pointe

Public School System and the City of Grosse Pointe give the media and other Michigan residents a positive, exciting incident to report regarding Grosse Pointe.

It was terrific public relations for possible new residents for our schools and community.

This type of collaboration with our local city municipalities and the school district can only strengthen the work of so many people building positive images, activities for our youth and community residents.

Similar to when the Neff pool was late in completion, City of Grosse Pointe residents were able to conduct swimming classes and swim teams practices in the Grosse Pointe Schools pools. Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Park have been host to other swim team activities this year and in the past.

Thanks to all the volunteers who timed, organized, published programs, and nourished the swimmers and spectators. Thanks to all the City staff and lifeguards who support the meet efforts. But especially to director Chris Hardenbrook and swim coach Todd Briggs for the terrifically collaborated efforts to put on a tremendously wonderful event for over 500 residents and nonresidents.

I look forward to continued collaboration between the schools and our cities.

Diane R. Zedan
Grosse Pointe South High School Swim Parent
City of Grosse Pointe

Team the use of the Neff Park pool for practice time during the weeks prior to the opening of school and for the first Michigan Outdoor Relay Meet last Saturday morning.

I think the girls view the facility as the closest thing they have to a home pool at present — until the new pool is constructed at South. They are able to practice there as a unit, rather than breaking up into three groups at three different times at two different pools.

And thanks to their generosity, they were able to host a very successful relay meet and share this beautiful facility with girls from as far away as Jackson. What great public relations for our city. I overheard one dad answering his cell phone with "... actually I'm at a swim meet on the shores of Lake St. Clair ... it's beautiful." And it is — it was a perfect day weather-wise and in the pool.

The City of Grosse Pointe Parks and Recreation Director, Chris Hardenbrook, does a fabulous job and was very cooperative in helping us set the meet up. He is so willing to embrace new ideas and help work out the glitches. He is an exceptionally innovative, personable, and, most importantly, competent and capable young administrator.

Liz Jenzen
City of Grosse Pointe

Outdoor relay at Neff Park

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse Pointe South Girls Swimming and Diving Team, I want to offer a huge public thank you to Chris Hardenbrook for allowing us to use the Neff Park facilities for an invitational out-

Favorite frogs

An English professor of mine authored a handful of small poetry books. One poem began: "Have you had your toad today?"

The poem descended into nothingness due, in large part, to trumped-up verbiage of a teacher (I once had a high school teacher who reminded us to bring our "writing implements" to class) more eager to publish something unique than publishing something that mattered.

The toad idea referenced Medieval times when witchcraft and black magic preceded scientific understanding of how the human body works. Some people at the time believed toads possessed medicinal prowess.

A recipe for good health held that one toad should be consumed each day. Like an apple. Hence the poem, the second and subsequent lines of which I've forgotten.

Toads aren't frogs. Toads are smaller than frogs, are stockier, are less aquatic and have dry, warty skin.

But during the last few months I've been thinking more than usual about frogs.

They're all over Grosse Pointe. Big ones. Some sitting, some leaping. Some wearing crowns. Others wearing football helmets. One wearing a yachting cap and piloting a boat. A second rides a bicycle. A third has a toothache. A fourth has horns.

One looks like a court jester, which reminds me of the Danny Kay costume farce "The Court Jester" I saw during a summer of classic films at the old Punch & Judy Theater.



Brad Lindberg

Remember the movie's running gag about the pellet with the poison?

The pellet with the poison's in the vessel with the pestle.

The chalice from the palace has the brew that is true.

But then they broke the chalice from the palace and replaced it with a flagon with the figure of a dragon.

The pellet with the poison's in the flagon with the dragon.

The vessel with the pestle

has the brew that is true.

It worked out in the end. *Get it? Got it. Good.*

Back to frogs in the Pointe.

The 51 frog sculptures displayed during the Frogs • Fur • Friends fundraising drive will be removed from display sometime this month. There's only a short time left to see them all.

Here are my favorites, in order:

• Commodore "Boll" Frog on Lakeshore at the



Photos by Brad Lindberg
Commodore "Boll" Frog

entrance to Osias Park in Grosse Pointe Shores. Designed by Ann Baxter and sponsored by the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House.

• Bull Frog on Kercheval near Cadiuex in the Village section of the City of Grosse Pointe. Sponsored by Merrill Lynch and designed by Mike Crumka.

• Garden Frog on top of the Pointe Family Dentistry building, its sponsor, on Mack near Moran in Grosse Pointe Farms. Designed by Tonya Henderson Rollyson.



Bull Frog



Garden Frog

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The Op-Ed Page



Playing taps

A bugle sounded the mournful notes of "Taps" recently for World War II soldiers who served in the China Burma India Theater. While it was a memorial for the American men and women who served there, it was a death knell for the national organization called China-Burma-India Veterans Association.

The national China-Burma-India Reunion was down to only 300 attendees in 2004 because its membership is rapidly succumbing to old age. When it announced the 2005 reunion would be its last, it drew 700 veterans, sons, daughters, grandsons and

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granddaughters of veterans. They held their last reunion near the Pentagon in Crystal City, Va.

Jean (Lukasik) Gilbert, 87, of the City of Grosse Pointe, one of a quarter million Americans who served in that war zone and spent her service abroad in the Women's Army Corps in India arranging flights for passengers over the hump

to China, was there for the ceremony.

Her daughter, **Charlene**, 45, who works out of Colorado as a flight attendant for American Eagle Airlines, arranged for her mother to make the journey and met her mom at Reagan International Airport.

"It was a wonderful experience," said Jean Gilbert.

by Ben Burns

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Streetwise

Question of the Week:

Will you watch the National Hockey League with the same enthusiasm as before the hold out?



Colin Gudenau

"Yes."

Colin Gudenau
5 1/2 years
Grosse Pointe Woods

"I will watch the Red Wings or other teams I like. I play hockey."

Nate Gaggin
City of Grosse Pointe



Nate Gaggin

"I'll watch with the same enthusiasm. It will be a treat starting back up and getting the enthusiasm back up."

Derrick Bartel
Detroit



Derrick Bartel

"I'm not much of a hockey fan, but an overall sports fan. Yeah."

Sam Harajly
Dearborn



Sam Harajly

"No, not as much. They could have resolved the situation without ruining the season."

Andrew Batten
Ferndale



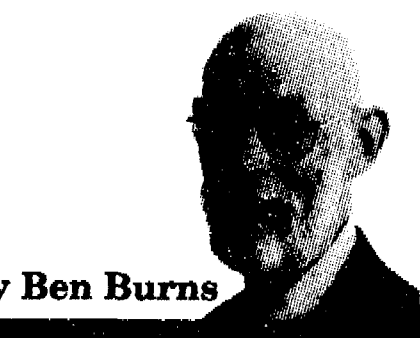
Andrew Batten

"Probably go to less games but watch more on TV."

Janet Jason
St. Clair Shores

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



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Points about the Pointes

Lunch at Lucy's, the parking meter and being a good neighbor—where did I go wrong?

One of my weekly visits on good weather days during the summer is to Lucy's on the Hill for an outdoor lunch. While enjoying lunch earlier in the week, an elderly gentleman parked in front of the restaurant and went in for lunch.

He must have been inside for an hour, because while I was sitting there, the parking meter police arrived. Trying to be a good neighbor, I went to put a quarter in his meter, but stopped when the officer told me that if I put the quarter in the man's meter, I'd get a \$40 ticket.

I explained about the older gentleman being inside, and the officer pointed to a sign restricting the parking to only an hour. Being in a retail business, I know the reason for the sign is to keep employees from parking in front of the businesses, but how about showing a little compassion for a senior citizen?

Are the days of common courtesy gone? I hope not. I'd bet that the parking rule makers would have reached into their pockets for a quarter, too.

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

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School supplies

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more in taxes than the larger home down the street.

While the school system struggles to find ways to cut corners, we need to do the same at the school level as well. I think I speak for many parents in this district when I say that we are all bearing the

brunt of added costs every which way we turn. Our insurance rates have soared; our medical insurance co-pays have increased; our utility bills have skyrocketed. Never mind the price of gas!

I would like to see more creative fundraising done. I personally boycott many of the fundraisers that simply put money in the

coffers of fundraising companies. I can buy my wrapping paper and groceries for a fraction of what the PTO wants me to pay for the same items via the "Sally Foster" and "Market Day" programs. My life is too busy to make extra trips to pick up overpriced, unhealthy, preservative-laden prepared foods to feed my family. We try to cook most of our meals from scratch for the sake of our family's

health.

I ask that our district, our school building administrators and our PTOs start addressing this issue. There is an assumption in this district that every family has plenty of extra cash to throw around. Everywhere I go, all I hear are parents complaining about it, and I know of several families who just don't have it.

We all know when we move into Grosse Pointe

that we will pay high taxes in return for outstanding schools, parks and services.

As far as our family is concerned, we don't mind spending money for our children to participate in outstanding programs; we object to the needless, wasteful approach to collecting that money and the lack of realization of many in this district that there are children who are shut out of things because

of the costs associated with participating.

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clean up a lot of the things we say and do.

After he covered the Oklahoma City bombing of a federal building in April 1995, he said he became "more loving and more kind and far less cavalier about the gifts that we have."

He said he had concluded that "for the one or two evil people in the world, there are a million people who will drop everything to help someone."

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Letters

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door relay meet.

This is the first time ever in the state of Michigan that there has been an outdoor relay meet for high school swim teams.

Saturday, Sept. 10, proved to be a glorious, sunny day. It was a perfect setting for 270 high school girl swimmers and their spectators. Of the 270 swimmers and divers, 83 were from Grosse Pointe South.

How privileged we are to have such an awesome facility and what an honor it was to be able to share our treasure with others. Not to mention a lot of fun.

Let us continue to be the perfect hosts and make this an annual event for the girls within our community.

Kathy Satterlund
Grosse Pointe South
High School
Swimming/Diving
Parent
City of Grosse Pointe

Silly 'wabbit'

To the Editor:

To provide a solution to the serious destruction being wrought on Grosse Pointe gardens by rabbits, we are pleased to announce the opening of "Hertz Rent a Fox."

Our motto: "Hare Today, Gone Tomorrow."

Stay tuned.

John W. Coe
City of Grosse Pointe

Paying tribute to Grosse Pointer

To the Editor:

Congratulations to your sports editor, Chuck Klonek, for his excellent skill in paying tribute to an obviously very fine individual and through telling his story, complimenting the entire Grosse Pointe community.

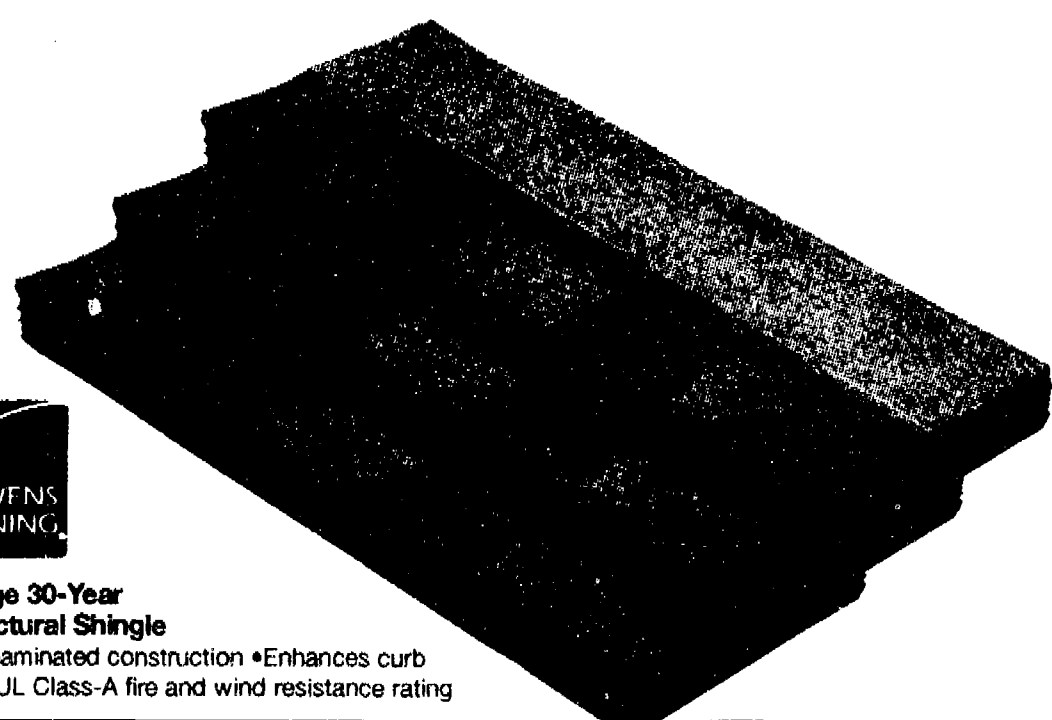
The July 21, *Grosse Pointe News* story, "Veteran Mackinac sailor recalls heroic rescue effort in 1985" about Chuck Bayer's nearly 60 years of Mackinac sailboat racing captured every element of individual excellence.

The article carefully wove factual elements of the story together which showed Mr. Bayer's personal modesty, team spirit, recognition of others' contributions and skills, appreciation of the miraculous, and his great sense of fun.

It was wonderful to read of Chuck Bayer's life and achievements in racing, including the heroic lifesaving feat he and his crew accomplished in dangerous stormy conditions.

Thanks for the pleasant reminder of that lovely area and the many fine members of the Grosse Pointe community.

Conrad J. DeWitte
Fullerton, Calif.
Former resident
of Grosse Pointe Park
and Grosse Pointe
Shores

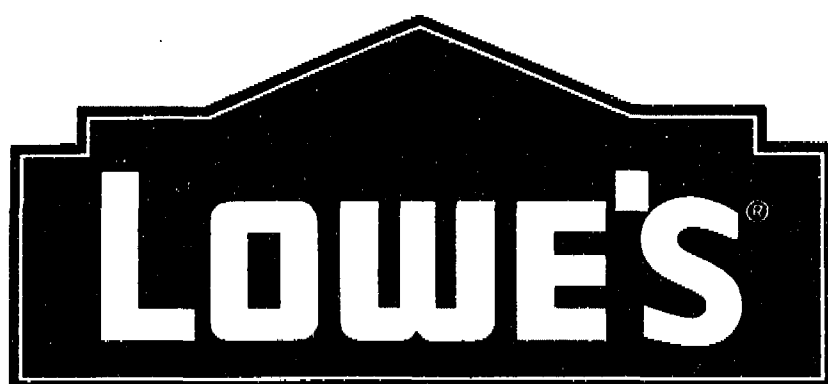


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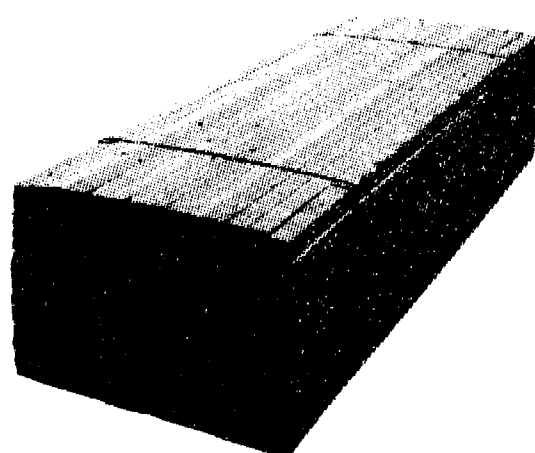
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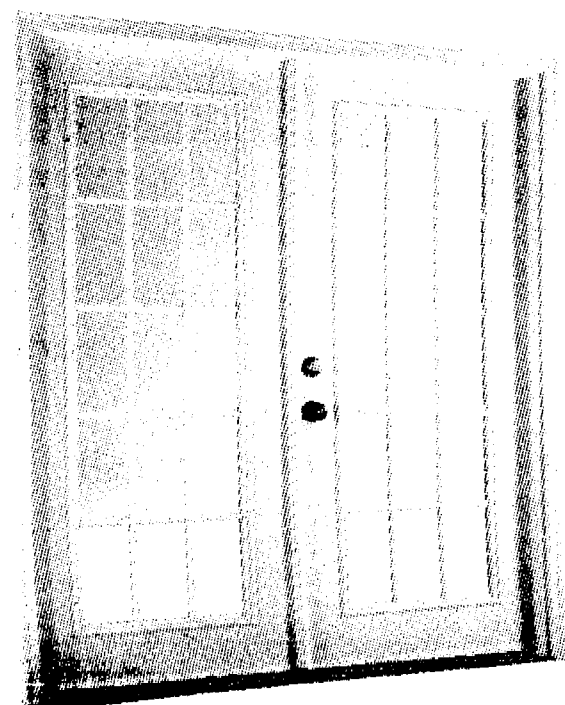


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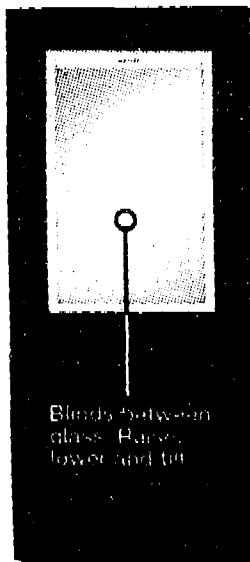
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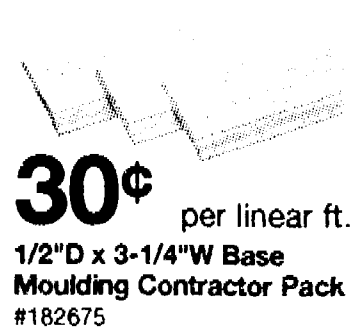
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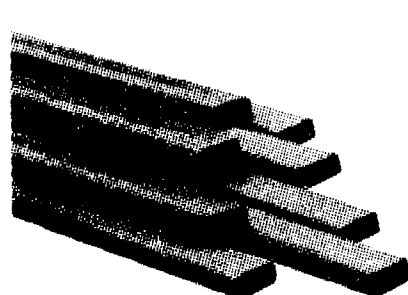
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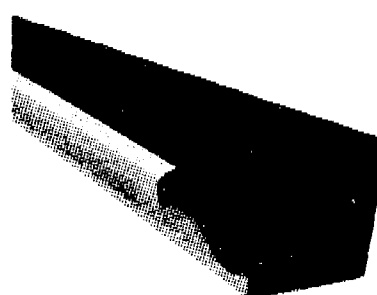
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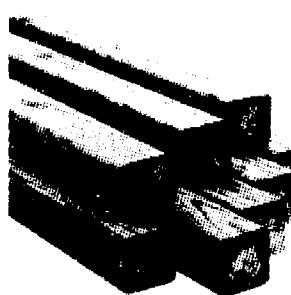
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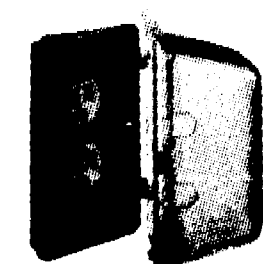
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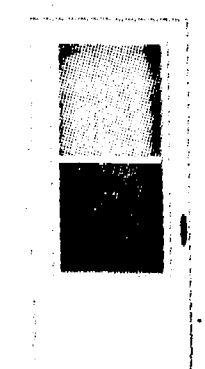
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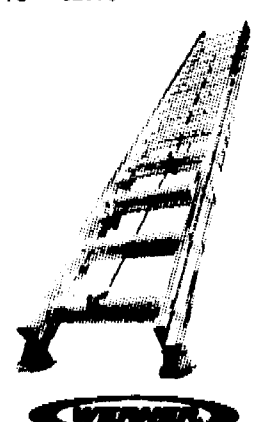
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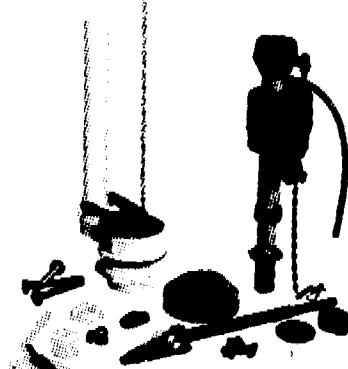
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Help! Readers take charge of those pesky computer problems

About three weeks ago, I received an inquiry from Helen about a monitor problem.

She wrote, "Do you have any idea what can be done about a monitor screen image that has shrunk in the middle like a fun house mirror? I have used all the standard buttons, and nothing works. Do I have to just live with it, or buy a new monitor?"

I told her to try the simple things first, sort of like me. Here is what I said.

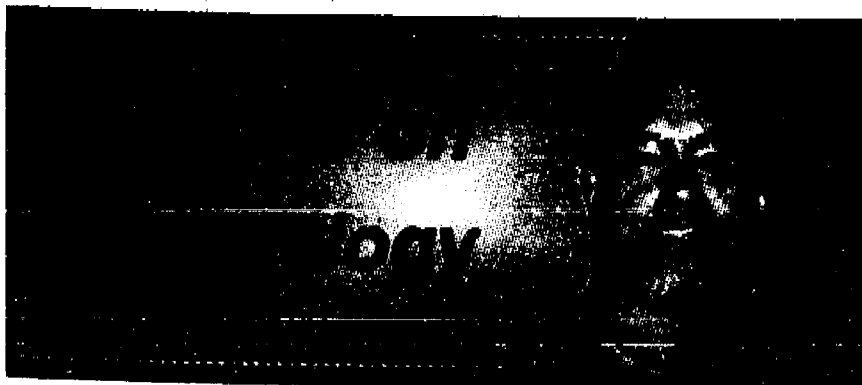
"CRT (cathode ray tube) monitors have guns that aim electrons onto the display screen by creating magnetic fields inside.

Outside magnetic forces, like the Earth's magnetic field, can cause distorted images or colors.

"Degaussing realigns the magnetic fields inside the CRT to make up for the magnetism outside.

"Televisions, radios and other electronic devices also have magnetic fields. Basically, degaussing the monitor removes the bad magnetism. Usually, the degaussing button is on the front of the monitor. It could be under a small flip-down or flip-up panel."

Now, here is the big question: Did it work? The answer is, "No." But it was-



n't my fault.

Let's go back to Helen.

"I want to thank you for all your assistance, but it has all become moot," she said. "That computer died. Fortunately, my son was able to have the techies at his job recover my files, and they are now on my new laptop.

"But now I have a new question. Do you know of any places that will take old computer equipment to fix up or trash, if necessary, and pass on to needy organizations? I'm sure I'm not the only person who might be interested in that knowledge. I have a printer, monitor, keyboard and mouse that could use a home, if they are still 'seaworthy.' Thanks - Helen."

Dear Helen. Sorry, only one question per reader. Just kidding.

My buddy over at PC Clinic told me most places, even charities, won't take

old PCs anymore.

Too much trouble keeping them running, and they can't run current software.

I'm going to see if I can find an ecology-minded group that takes old PCs and removes dangerous metals, like lead. I know they exist. And if your readers happen to know of such an organization, preferably local, give me holler. Hey, John! You're up to bat.

"I am having a problem with the defragmenting program. At times I have let it run as long as 24 hours without it finishing the job.

"It often goes to 10 percent of the hard drive defragmented and then starts over.

"Occasionally it has gone as far as 85 percent before starting over. The message that pops up when it starts over is 'Drives contents changed - restarting.' I am not aware of any program running except the defrag-

menting program. Just the desktop is up.

"What is happening? Why are the contents of the hard drive changing? Is there a way to get the defragmenting program to work the way it should? Please help.

"For background: I have a Gateway Pentium II, 350 MHz, 384 MB RAM, 512 K cache, and Windows 98 (first series). My hard drive capacity is 7.8 GB of which 3.1 GB are used and 4.7 GB are free. Thanks, John."

John. Think Rodney Dangerfield. Your computer gets no respect. It is older than dirt. Pterodactyls are younger. OK, I had my fun. This what I told John.

If the PC is connected via broadband to the Internet, disconnect it. When it's connected, it is continually writing stuff to the hard drive. Perform a ScanDisk to make sure the hard drive is OK. Then start the PC in safe mode (keep tapping the F8 key when booting up). This eliminates other background programs from running during defrag.

Consider a more robust defragmenter, such as Executive Software's Diskkeeper. I lose again! John e-mailed back to me:

"Thank you for the suggestion to cure my defragmenting problem. The long

and short of it is that it did not work.

"I am connected to the Internet by standard phone modem, not broadband. I used ScanDisk to make sure the hard drive was OK. Then I booted up the computer while tapping away at the F8 key. Occasionally it rang a little bell to break the monotony. However, the next time I tried the defragmenting program, it went to 10 percent four times before starting over, each time giving me the message, 'Drives contents changed restarting.'"

"Talk about a reality show! Watching the defragmenting program doing its thing for 20 minutes is as exciting as watching those reality shows on TV. There it was, working its little heart out and getting nowhere, going back to start over and over.

"Help! Please continue with more suggestions."

Dear John: Take your computer out in the back yard and bury it. Oh, and take Helen's with you.

Yes, I'm pulling your leg. I hope it won't come off. I'm going to back to a couple of things I've said before.

If a computer does everything you want it to, as fast

as you want it to, then you don't need a new computer. (But that doesn't mean I can't take potshots.)

When most people buy computers bundled with all that packaged software they will never use, they assume it is the best stuff. It isn't. There are thousands of companies making specific software programs for one function better than what Microsoft turns out.

I've even mentioned some in this column (StartUp Cop, for one).

That said, go back to the last sentence in my original reply. "Consider a more robust defragmenter, such as Executive Software's Diskkeeper."

But in all fairness, I've forwarded your question and follow-up reply to several of my geek friends. Let's see what turns up, after they stop chuckling.

For example, you have 384 megabytes of random access memory (RAM). I have 1.2 gigabytes. (Think of all the size matters jokes I'm omitting.)

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

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Louis Theros was sworn in as the President of the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association,

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Theros served as the Association's President-Elect. More than 350 lawyers, judges and business leaders

attended the swearing-in ceremony and annual meeting.

He is a Grosse Pointe Farms city councilman and attorney at Dickinson, Wright.

He joined the firm in 1989. His practice focuses primarily on employment relations and labor law.

He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1985 and received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1989.

Theros is a Grosse Pointe Farms resident.

John McSorley has been elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the law firm of Garan, Lucow, Miller, P.C.

The Executive Committee includes shareholders Edward Freeland, Frederick Plumb, John Glibo, Roger Smith and McSorley.

McSorley has been practicing law for more than 30 years and has been at the firm since 1978.

He graduated with his J.D. from Wayne State University Law School and an undergraduate degree from the University of Dayton.

He is a member of the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, American Bar Association, Incorporated Society of Irish-American Lawyers and the Defense Research Institute.

He served on the Board of Commissioners for the State Bar of Michigan and is a Director and Secretary for the Association of Defense Trial Counsel.

McSorley resides in Grosse Pointe Park with his wife, Judy Ann McSorley.

Albert J. Dib was recently reappointed by the State Bar of Michigan as a member of its Grievance Committee, which makes recommendations concerning the operation of the Attorney Disciplinary Board, the Attorney Grievance Commission, and the Judicial Tenure Commission.

Dib, of Dib and Fagan, P.C., is an Adjunct Law Professor at Wayne State University Law School, past president of its Law Alumni Association, and a member of the Law School's Board of Visitors.

He obtained his law degree from Wayne State and bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan - Dearborn.

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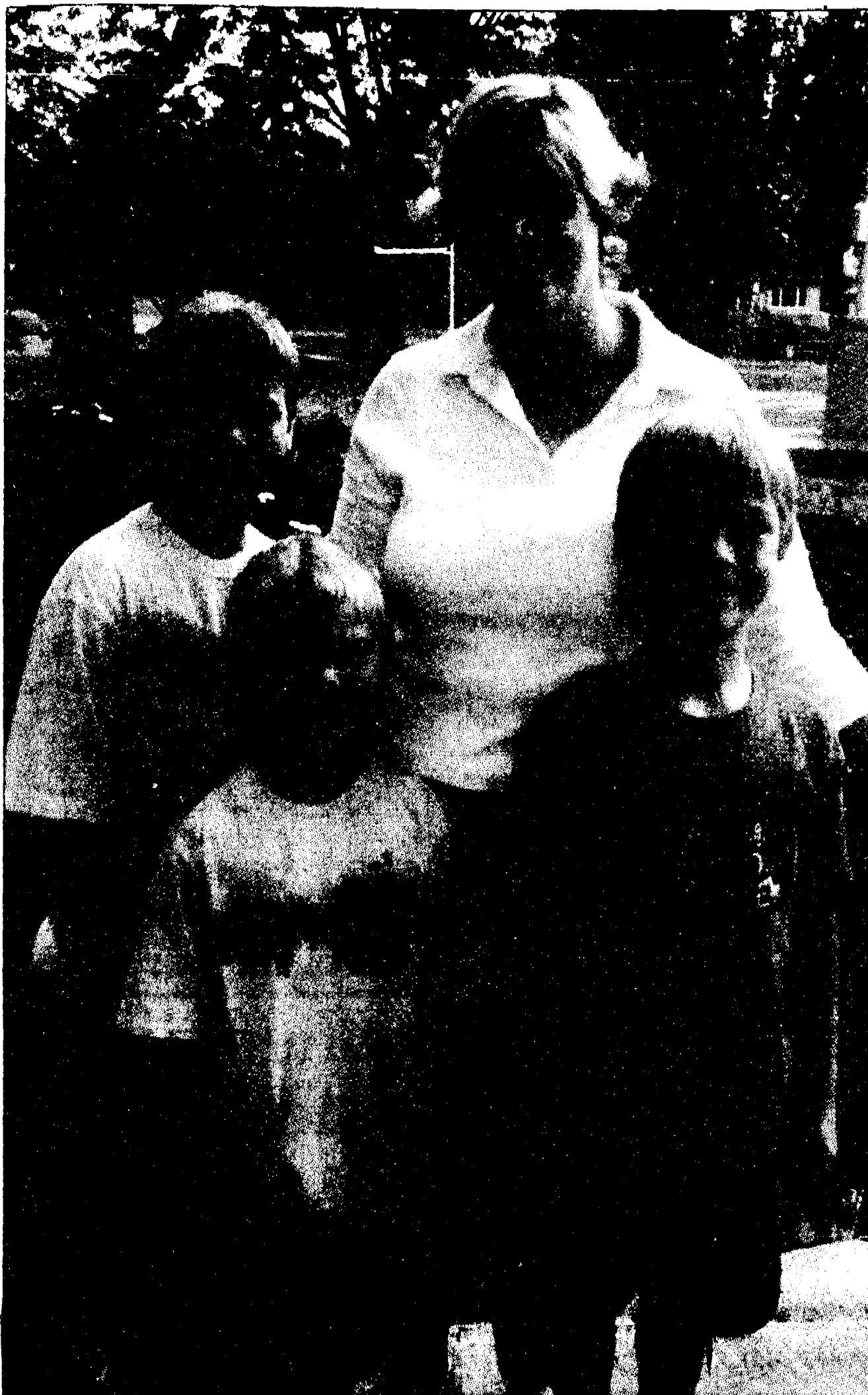
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From left, Teddy, Brad, Anne and Charlie Thompson spread dirt and mulch and planted trees and perennials on the front yard of Trombly Elementary, where the three boys attend. Anne will be cleaning up the gardens and planting easy-to-maintain plants to enhance the school on the southern border of the Grosse Pointe Public School system. Thompson will also be starting a garden club for Trombly students. Members will be helping with plantings and maintenance of the gardens.

Trombly landscapers sprucing up grounds

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Anne Thompson's love for gardening will show up in blue and white in the fall and the spring.

"I love to garden," she said of her latest project at her sons' elementary school.

Thompson was asked by the Trombly Elementary PTO to renovate the school's neglected gardens, and she spent May cleaning up and getting to know what types of plants were already there. The summer months Thompson spent thinking, planning, and working on her hands and knees to enhance the front lawn of the school.

"There are really nice perennial gardens throughout. The grounds have been neglected and are not pulled together," she said.

The real work began when she, her husband, their three elementary-aged sons, and Thompson's sister worked in August and through the Labor Day weekend to clean-up two gardens, mulch and replant a third.

Junipers "on their last legs," near the front door, were removed and replaced with four Cleveland pear trees.

Some 16 1/2 yards of dirt was required in the main 50 foot by 20 foot garden near the front doors. Thompson designed the garden and its shape around the two flowering crab apples, following the French architecture of the building. She will mirror a design in blue and white perennials, reminiscent of French porcelain, to bloom either in the spring or the fall,



Photos by Ann L. Fouty

A small garden in front of Trombly Elementary was cleaned up by Anne Thompson and her family. She planted items which would do well in the shade of the growing trees.

all in mind of easy maintenance.

Lilacs, pear tree, white roses, lavender cuttings from her garden and azalea have been planted.

"I worked within a budget that the PTO gave me and got so much on sale because of this time of year. Everything is on sale. I moved (plantings) around from other gardens. Everything in the garden will either be fall blooming or spring blooming. I kept it simple and put in stuff to grow up with little maintenance," she said.

Driving by the school, residents will see that the area looks neat and tidy but it couldn't have been achieved without the assistance of sons, Brad, Charlie and Teddy.

"I love to help out, to get dirty," said first-grader Brad.

Charlie, who is in third-grade, also got dirty while he helped.

"I rolled sod. I picked up the grass in the rain. It got me dirty," he said.

The Thompsons rented a sod cutter to help with the improvements.

"It's enormous and hard to move," she said.

Once the job was done, the boys rolled up the sod and helped weed, mulch or play baseball.

"They have always worked in the garden," she said.

Thompson is proud of the work so far because she has made a permanent contribution to the school, with more to come, including an herb garden.

"I have a lot of ideas for future gardens. A butterfly garden near the kindergarten door. Kindergartners would have a lot of fun doing it," she said.

Thompson has drawn up a list of plants which could be donated by interested families.



Photo courtesy Our Lady Star of the Sea

New teachers

Our Lady Star of the Sea welcomes five new faculty members this year. From left, Robbie Henrichs comes to the Star of the Sea computer lab with a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Science in education. The former corporate trainer lives in Grosse Pointe Woods with her husband and three children.

Beth Bornoty, a Star alumna, teaches middle school math. She is a University of Michigan graduate with a master's from Wayne State. She taught math in Grosse Pointe South High for nearly 10 years. She and her husband reside in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Middle school science teacher Sara Lebryk comes from Divine Child High School. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in biological sciences and a Master of Arts in teaching from Wayne State. Lebryk and her husband live in Dearborn with two children.

Kerry Witting is a part time counselor at the Star of the Sea and is also a clinical therapist at Grace Counseling Center. She holds both a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Social Work from Wayne State and lives in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Preschool teacher Kathy Sandberg is a graduate of Rochester College and holds a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education. She and her husband live in St. Clair Shores. "I am very blessed to be working at Star, in a wonderful, faith-based Christian atmosphere," she said.



Richard puts core democratic value into action

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

One of the principal lessons fifth graders learn centers around the core democratic values. They begin to understand about their country, what it symbolizes, what patriotism is and how emotions are connected to patriotism.

Richard fifth-graders learned how this particular core democratic value can be communicated — by sharing with other Americans. These young Grosse Pointers put early lessons to work last week when they sorted, stacked and bagged everything from toilet paper to toiletries, diapers to women's socks to be shared with those who have lost so much due to Hurricane Katrina.

According to fifth-grade teacher Nancy Swartz the idea of getting a jump on lessons associated with the core democratic values came to her on the way to work, Tuesday, Sept. 6, the first day of school for students. Listening to a popular local morning radio program driving to school, she heard about a list of items needed by those displaced by the hurricane.



Mike Sullivan, from left, Kate Arthur and Zack Sohelm were part of Nancy Swartz's fifth-grade class who sorted dozens of bags containing personal hygiene items, diapers, socks and paper products. It was part of their lesson on how patriotism works in the United States. All items will be taken to City Airport for distribution to those families who have been displaced by Hurricane Katrina and are now located in southeast Michigan.

With the other two fifth-grade classes, students wrote ads and had announcements ready for the rest of the school population.

Items rolled in, including 60 pounds of bar soap. All were sorted on Friday, Sept.

9.

The hallway was lined with bags filled with toothpaste, toothbrushes and facial tissue. The next step was to get all these items to the appropriate site for distribution.

Dog food was also donated,

and it will be shipped south.

Swartz said two parents stepped up to assist her in delivering the items to City Airport, which is the official drop-off site. Once there, displaced people will be able to select what they need.



A grocery bag of toothbrushes will soon be in the hands of those who have none.

Kate Arthur's mother is one of those who will be helping with the delivery. "Mom said everything will be okay."

The hundreds of people from the south transported to Michigan are on the road to recovery, with a little help from the Richard family.

Helping people is a good idea, Mike Sullivan said. "The people in Alabama don't have anything."

Not to be left out, the kindergartners will be doing chores around the house to earn \$5, said kindergarten teacher Nancy Schulte. One

suggested she would help with the dishes. Another said helping cook a meal would be a way to earn money which will be forwarded to the Red Cross to help families buy diapers or food.

"They are getting the idea," she said. "At this age they are about themselves. Now they are getting the idea."

Richard will also have a bake sale during its back-to-school night on Thursday, Sept. 22. Proceeds will benefit the victims of the Hurricane Katrina.

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ULS announces year-long comprehensive campus master planning process underway

Following an 18-month study of enrollment, demographics and economic conditions in Grosse Pointe and the Detroit metropolitan area, University Liggett School (ULS) will undertake an inclusive, all-encompassing campus master planning exercise during the 2005-06 school year. It will be a comprehensive study of ULS and its campuses, focused on developing a plan to keep ULS at the forefront of independent education in Michigan.

After a national search, ULS has engaged the Chicago firm of Perkins + Will to spend a year leading the school community through the planning process. More than 50 participants from various ULS constituencies will participate in the campus master planning initiative, includ-

ing current parents, alumni and current and former board members, students, faculty and administrators.

"The initial and perhaps most important process will involve these groups to become engaged in purposeful discussions about educational developments, educational vision and educational outcomes," said ULS Head of School Matthew H. Hanly. "Our faculty, staff and the parent community are already very excited about the process which will provide a wonderful opportunity to participate fully in planning for the ULS of the 21st century."

The campus master planning process was announced Sept. 1 at the school's opening meetings for faculty. Letters to the ULS parent and alumni communities were also mailed with the announcement.

"It was important to let the entire ULS community know about this work as soon as possible," Hanly said. "I wanted to emphasize to our constituencies that the ULS Board of Trustees has charged us with ensuring that the campus master planning process includes the premise that University Liggett School will be on one

campus beginning with the 2008-09 school year."

"We are strongly committed to the idea of being one 600-student campus in Grosse Pointe Woods," Hanly added. At present, prekindergarten through fifth grade and grades nine through 12 are located on ULS's Cook Road campus. The Briarcliff Drive campus is home to the middle school, grades six through eight.

"One of our primary goals in the planning process is to recreate the unique and appropriate separateness of the middle school on the Cook Road campus. We value that as an outcome," he said. "We also believe that this collaborative process will allow us to bring so many wonderful resources — our accumulated experience of teaching and learning, parenting and philanthropy, stewardship and community awareness, and civic and business leadership — and combine it with educational research of the past decade."

"It is another step in the evolution of University Liggett School, which has an established pattern in its history of growing and changing to meet the needs of the community we serve. Our school's history has

shown that every 40 years, those changed with the school's stewardship have used similar processes to make difficult choices regarding relocations and mergers. That historical perspective says something about our school's unfailing willingness to make the tough decisions to ensure the long-term vitality of

University Liggett School.

"I am very excited about the prospect of spending this year in such an important and thoughtful planning process. I believe that this opportunity will allow all of our constituencies to be united in this effort by our excitement, passion and vision for ULS and its future," Hanly said.

New St. Clare preschool teacher approaches learning through play

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Gina Taormina likes to play with children.

It's a good thing because she is the new teacher for the 4-year-olds at the St. Clare Cooperative Nursery School.

"I've been working with children since before I got out of (high) school. I was an only child until five years ago. I always wanted to be around children," she said.

A graduate of Chippewa Valley High School and Madonna University, Taormina holds a bachelor's degree in English with a minor in elementary education.

St. Clare is a play based program because, Taormina said, children learn through play. With 20 students in her class in which she team

teaches with Eileen Shapiro, children will learn interaction, social skills and independence.

One of her favorite activities for the children is "messy art." Taormina gathers material of all sorts and dumps it on the table. Children use their imaginations to create anything. She said a majority of the children create collages from the items which vary in size, texture and shape.

Knowing that the children are excited to come to school three mornings a week with a smiling face is her reward, she said.

Since it is a cooperative program, two parents are in the classroom each day. The class meets from 8:45 to 11:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Monteith has D.A.R. winner

During the past school year the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.) sponsored its annual American History essay contest.

This year's topic was "Along the Trail with Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery, May 1804 - September 1806."

Amy Zaranek, a fifth-grader at Monteith Elementary School, placed first in the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the D.A.R. and placed third over all in the state competition.

Zaranek, her family, her fifth-grade teacher Kathlynn Kellogg and

Monteith Principal Sandy Walby were invited to a luncheon to receive her awards.

All public, private, parochial and home-schooled students in grades fifth through eighth were invited to submit an original essay with references on the aforementioned topic written from the perspective of one of the members of the Corps of Discovery, other than Lewis and Clark, and imagining the things that would have been seen or experienced while on the expedition, using historical-accurate experiences of the expedition.

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Co-op provides business experience, life lessons

By Sarah Kurtz
Special Writer

The new school year brings new classes, extracurricular activities and homework for most students in Grosse Pointe. However, the new school year will also bring a hands-on learning experience in the work force for the students who enroll in the co-op program at North and South high schools.

Co-op students earn course credit for a part-time job and receive a letter grade with their paycheck. Seniors who have met certain graduation requirements are eligible for the program.

"It's an opportunity for students to actually put their education to work," said Paulette Griesbaum, the business and marketing co-op coordinator at South.

"They are placed at a job site in the community where they can practice what they learned at school."

Students work a minimum of 15 hours each week. Most co-op students attend classes for the first five hours of the seven-hour school day, and then are dismissed early to go to their job.

The program has been serving Grosse Pointe students for several decades. Phyllis Henry, the co-op coordinator and life skills

and health department chairperson at South, thinks it began in the late 1950s.

"It probably started off to an alternative to a college. Now most of the kids that we have in co-op are also going to college," Henry said.

"I think it's evolved quite a bit."

With its evolution, the program has also increased in popularity. South has an average of 50 to 60 students in co-op each year. North will have 70 students in this year's class.

"It has done nothing but grow," said Sharon Schmidt, North co-op coordinator and business department chairperson.

"It has steadily grown each year to a point where they've actually altered my teaching schedule so I'm more available to students to help them."

Interested students sign up for the program at the end of their junior year. Some enter with jobs they already have, but for many the learning experience begins with the job search.

Co-op coordinators at both schools help find prospective employers and give students advice on getting the job they want and that fits their interests.

"We give them tips about how to handle themselves in

an interview and how to dress on the job," Griesbaum said.

"The job-hunting process is all part of their learning experience."

When the students are hired, they get right to business.

"They're salespeople; they're one of our employees," said Ellen Durand of the company 17 years ago.

"They do everything all my other employees do."

Recent North graduate and Woods resident Katie Dimitry, 18, said she gained valuable job experience working at State Farm Insurance through co-op.

"I was working in a business environment and I was working with adults. I learned how to work in a business setting," she said.

"I got to work with a lot of people and experience talking on the phone and dealing with the public."

Durand said she sees her employees grow throughout the year.

"I think they get a real sense of work ethic," she said. "They have to show up on time; they get a paycheck; they have to be really responsible."

"For a lot of them, it's their first job besides babysitting; so I think they

get a lot of experience."

Students learn quickly about what it's like to work outside of the classroom.

"The biggest lesson is what you do and how it affects others," Griesbaum said.

"When they're late to school it doesn't matter (to anyone else). When you are late to work something didn't happen because you weren't there."

Henry said this responsibility gives students skills they will need in the future.

"I think they learn really good time management skills and money management skills," she said.

"They are actually getting concrete experience."

Employers mentor co-op students, and they also benefit from having these young workers.

"It's a real win-win because kids are picking up on office skills or skills they're going to need out in the real world working with people," Schmidt said.

"And the employer gets a real chance to mold these students and teach them the ins and outs of the business world."

Durand said the co-op students are an asset to her company.

"The ones that work for us love toys, love kids," she said. "They're very enthusiastic. We like having that

young perspective."

In addition to the lessons learned while on the job, co-op participants get a feeling for what they want to do in the future.

"It's an opportunity for students to try out real work experiences, and that can help them decide a general area of study outside of high school," Henry said.

"It kind of helps define what their career selection might be."

Suzanne Sullivan, director of the Neighborhood Club Nursery School, employs one or two co-op students each school year.

Most of her "co-ops" are "going into elementary education or preschool education," and she said they learn a lot about the field and their own goals when they work at the nursery school.

"I think for sure they have a better feel if they really want to be teachers, and if they do want to become a teacher, (if) they want to be working with young children," she said.

"This is a life experience. A way to try out an interest," said Superintendent Suzanne Klein.

"It reaffirms what they love or is 'not what I thought it would be.'"

To be graded, co-op students must turn in their hours each week.

Employers fill out evaluation forms and give students a letter grade.

Students are also required to do projects or papers, depending on the program detailed by their coordinator.

These assignments serve as good reflection exercises and allow the students to analyze aspects of their work.

"The midterm and the final were answering questions about your job, and since you know what your job is about, they are easy questions to answer," Dimitry said.

"But they helped me think about what I enjoy doing at work and didn't enjoy doing, and it helped me see why I like my job."

So what happens after co-op students graduate?

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Dimitry, who is now a freshman at Grand Valley State University, said her work at the insurance agency has given her a better idea of what she wants to pursue.

"I have been thinking about actually being a State Farm agent," she said.

"But I'm not sure yet."

Michigan receives grant to upgrade high schools

Supports Granholm push for higher standards, more college grads

Michigan is one of 10 states to win grant funding from the National Governors Association (NGA) to support major reform of the state's high schools. This two-year grant will be used to begin putting new rigorous academic standards in place in all Michigan high schools and to increase the number of students taking college level courses during their high school years.

"It is vital that Michigan have an educated work force in order to be competitive in a 21st century economy," Granholm said. "This grant will help us make sure every child in Michigan attends a high school that prepares them for success in college and in life."

Granholm said the grant funding will be used to assist the Michigan Department of Education develop high school standards in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies; help schools provide support, such as professional development, to prepare students to engage in more rigorous training in school; and revise policies on dual enrollment and advanced placement to remove barriers and provide better opportunities for students to participate in these programs during high school.

The grant will help achieve the governor's goal of doubling the number of college graduates in Michigan within 10 years. The goal is directly linked to two critical recommendations of the Cherry Commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth: the creation of higher standards for academic achievement that will prepare all students for education beyond high school; and doubling the

percentage of Michigan high school students taking advanced placement courses or dual-enrolling in a college or university as part of their high school experience.

"The days when a high school diploma was a ticket to a good paying job are over," Granholm said. "Our young people must see graduating from high school not as the end but the beginning, of education and training that will lead to good paying jobs."

The NGA grants, funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, were awarded to states that have comprehensive plans for improved high school performance.

Tom Vander Ark, the foundation's executive director, called the high school reform effort "a moral imperative" and praised the leaders of the 10 awardee states.

Michigan applied for a \$1.8 million grant.

"Thanks to the strong leadership and commitment by the governors in the 10 honor states and others, we are moving forward with momentum toward building an American high school system that will prepare every student for college, work, and citizenship," Vander Ark said.



Photo courtesy Ahmed Iemal

New board member

Brendan Walsh took the oath of office to become the Grosse Pointe Board of Education's newest member. The swearing-in ceremony was performed by Superintendent Suzanne Klein prior to the Tuesday, Sept. 6, meeting. Walsh was chosen from among four candidates to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Joan Richardson. Walsh is a Grosse Pointe South graduate and has two children attending Defer Elementary School.

Special needs dance class offered

C.C. Plus will begin its fall 2005 "My Chance to Dance" special needs dance/exercise program for physically and/or developmentally disabled children and adults in September.

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From the heart

Grosse Pointe Woods residents Lauren Semack, left, Shelby Brewington, center, and Jenna Belote, right, spent their last days of summer vacation making green heart laminated magnets. The trio went door-to-door, asking for donations and handing out their green heart magnets.

So far, Semack (fourth-grader at Montelith Elementary School), Brewington (seventh-grader at Brownell Middle School) and Belote (fourth-grader at Montelith) have raised more than \$200 for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Their slogan is, "Give a Green Dollar; get a Green Heart."



Spend an enjoyable evening with Joyce Carol Oates

Spend some time with one of America's most famous and talented writers right here in Grosse Pointe.

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library present "An Evening with Joyce Carol Oates," Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 7 p.m. in the Fries Auditorium at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Oates is one of America's most versatile, serious writers. She is the author of a number of distinguished novels, plays, short stories, poetry, and essays, all published within the last 25 years.

She is a writer deeply connected to the Detroit area. The National Book Award winner, "Them," along with several other novels and short stories, all grew out of her experiences living in Detroit in the 1960s.

"Detroit, my 'great' subject," she has written, "made me the person I am — consequently the writer I am, for better or worse."

Oates' writing has earned her much praise and many awards, including the PEN/Malamud Award for Excellence in short fiction, the Rosenthal Award from the American Academy of Arts and

Letters, a Guggenheim Fellowship, the O'Henry Prize for Continued Achievement in the Short Story, and in 1978, membership in the American Academy-Institute. "What I Lived For" was nominated for the 1995 PEN/Faulkner Award. She has been nominated for the Nobel Prize three times, most recently in 1999.

Oates is also a playwright whose plays have been performed widely in the U.S. and abroad. She wrote the libretto for an opera made of her novel "Black Water," most recently performed at the L.A. Theater Works.

Born in upstate New York in 1938, Oates received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Syracuse University in 1960 and her Master's degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1961. She is the Roger S. Berlind Distinguished Professor of the Humanities at Princeton University.

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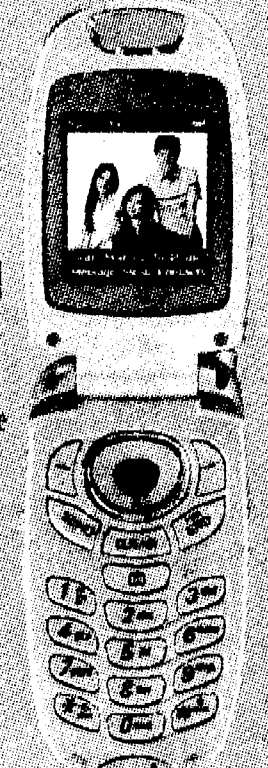
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Local United Way assigns \$150,000 for hurricane aid

United Way for Southeastern Michigan announced that it will allocate \$150,000 from its emergency and stabilization fund to assist in the local hurricane relief efforts serving evacuees from the areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

United Way's executive committee, led by Anthony F. Earley Jr., chairman and CEO, DTE Energy, and chair of United Way for Southeastern Michigan's board of directors, approved the decision.

Of the \$150,000, \$50,000 will be divided equally with the American Red Cross and The Salvation Army serving the southeast Michigan region.

The remaining \$100,000 will go toward a local response fund, managed by United Way for Southeastern Michigan, to assist the community in working with displaced/evacuees who come to southeast Michigan.

The \$150,000 is over and above the more than \$1.7 million that United Way for Southeastern Michigan allocated for emergency services last year, which was distributed to the local chapters of the American Red Cross and The Salvation Army, along with four other agencies that provide shelter and counseling services in times of crisis.

United Way for Southeastern Michigan is focused on the long-term work of helping victims rebuild their lives and is collaborating with the city of Detroit, as well as the entire private and public sector, to best serve Hurricane Katrina evacuees.

United Way's Tel-Help/2-1-1 Call Center is assisting in identifying needs and available services, and is connecting those who need help with those who can provide help.

Anyone who would like to help displaced families or those evacuees who need assistance, can call United Way at (800) 552-1183, 24/7. The community can also go to United Way's Web site at uwsem.org to volunteer to help with relief efforts at

various agencies throughout southeastern Michigan.

"It's important to address the long-term needs these people now face," said Michael J. Brennan, president and CEO, United Way for Southeastern Michigan. "They have been through a great deal and are now faced with starting their lives over. Whether it's housing needs, employment training, or mental health services, United Way will work collaboratively throughout the region to assure that those who wish to relocate here have the tools they need to get back on their feet."

Directly after Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf, United Way of America set up a national fund to address needs in the affected region.

Donations to the Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Fund will go directly to United Ways in the communities hardest hit to address front-line disaster relief as well as long-term rebuilding needs.

Individuals interested in making a donation can mail a check or money order with "Hurricane Katrina Fund" in the memo line to: United Way of America, P.O. Box 630568, Baltimore, MD 21263.

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United Way and its partners will cover all associated fees regarding processing of credit cards and other administrative costs.

United Way for Southeastern Michigan mobilizes the caring power of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties to improve lives in measurable and lasting ways throughout the region. The organization is led by a diverse group of volunteers from business, labor, government, human services, education and the community.

Residents of the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities recently filled a semi-trailer truck with non-perishable food, baby formula and diapers for victims in the three states hit by Hurricane Katrina.

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Ads called out at Kerby scoreboard

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Post no bills on the Little League scoreboard at Kerby Field.

Farms officials have ruled that municipal sandlots will remain fields of dreams, not venues to sow come-ons and reap profit.

A request by Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League representatives to raise \$3,404 by selling what they termed sponsorship space on the Kerby scoreboard caused a major league pain this week among Farms council members.

"We're getting into the realm of another Tiger Stadium where the outfield is filled with advertisements as a means of enhancing someone's income," said Councilman Joseph Leonard. "I don't think we want to get into that arena with our recreational properties."

"Look at the Babe Ruth scoreboard," added Mayor James Farquhar. "What if they get a sponsor? What if someone comes up with new fencing and you get another sign? Where does it stop? I understand you want the money, but I don't think that's a good thing to start at Kerby Field."

Polly Tech, League safety officer, mistakenly thought she had city permission to hang sponsor plaques from the four-by-nine-foot scoreboard being installed on the new, two-story multi-purpose building at Kerby Field between Chalfonte and Mack.

Last spring Tech pitched the idea to local

companies. She characterized selling add space as melding community welfare with private enterprise to benefit the tax-exempt league's 384 players.

"Nightly, from April (through) July, local families attend their children's ball games and would be observing the scoreboards and your designated logo," Tech wrote prospective sponsors.

Bon Secours Hospital and Bank One responded with one-time combined payments of \$3,404. In exchange, the companies' names were to appear on the electronic scoreboard.

"We received the money in April, ordered the scoreboard equipment and had it delivered in mid-May," Tech said this month in a letter to the council. "I believe these privately funded scoreboards are a wonderful addition to Kerby Field."

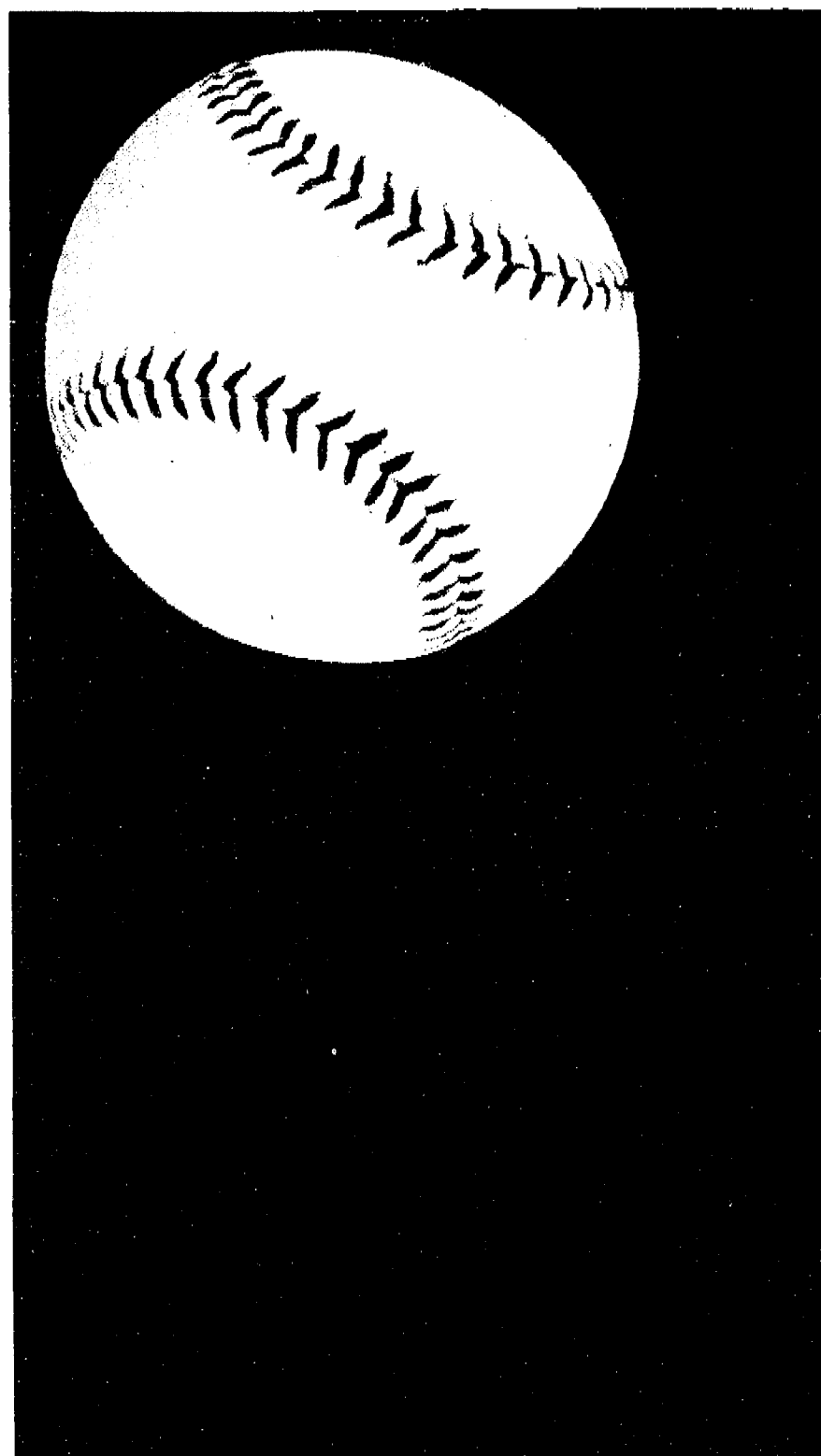
Matthew Tepper, assistant city manager, halted installation as violating municipal ordinance.

"We didn't approve the scoreboard with advertising at the Parks and Harbor Committee," Farquhar said.

"We approved the scoreboard, but not with any signage on it," said Councilman Louis Theros.

"For past projects where people have donated money, or contractors have donated times and materials, we have erected plaques acknowledging that, but nothing of a commercial nature," Leonard said.

"We've got a list of



"Hard Ball III," by Robert Moskowitz, 1993, displayed at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Advertising is ruled a strikeout at Kerby Field.

donors from here to the park who give to the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation," Theros said. "All those lights on Lakeshore don't have individual names on them of people who donated to that campaign. A lot of people out there are willing to donate without recognition."

Theros suggested Tech alter the League's advertising strategy to sell space in roster books and other publications.

Photo by Brad Lindberg

Woods city council gives OK to keep CDBG program

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

The City of Grosse Pointe Woods and its economic status with Wayne County took a step in the right direction at the Aug. 1 city council meeting.

Mayor Robert Novitke and the city council members voted unanimously to remain in Wayne County's Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the fiscal years 2006, 2007 and 2008.

In doing so, Grosse Pointe Woods can't back-out of this program until 2009 if the city so wishes, according to city manager Mark Wollenweber.

"We, as a city government, feel this program helps the citizens, especially our seniors, of Grosse Pointe Woods," Novitke said. "We received \$94,000 last year and those funds were spread out over several programs we have here in the city."

On Feb. 28, the city council approved the CDBG budget to supplement programs for senior citizens and the physically challenged through allocations to SOC (Services for Older Citizens), PAATS (Point Area Assisted Transportation Service) and planning.

"We should get a certain number of dollars from the county in order for us to exercise these important programs, such as SOC and PAATS," Novitke said. "The money comes in handy and

it really helps us implement programs to keep our seniors and physically challenged busy and interested."

In 2004, Grosse Pointe Woods was able to use \$32,000 for SOC and \$12,000 for PAATS, and in addition, the city used \$28,000 to coordinate senior citizen staffers for recreation programs that help keep them active and in touch with the community.

The city also spent \$8,000 to refurbish city hall entrance, which is now handicap accessible.

"The handicap-accessible entrance has been a huge benefit for our physically challenged and senior citizens," Novitke said. "They have no problem coming into city hall or the community center. It's important for our citizens to be able to come and go with no problems."

Grosse Pointe Woods receives these funds only if it uses them for community development activities.

"We can't use this money for just anything we want," Novitke said. "We have to use the funds to benefit some activity in our community, such as improving our senior programs."

The work to be performed under this contract must be completed within 18 months of July 1 of the respective program year unless otherwise extended through Grosse Pointe Woods' administrative review process.

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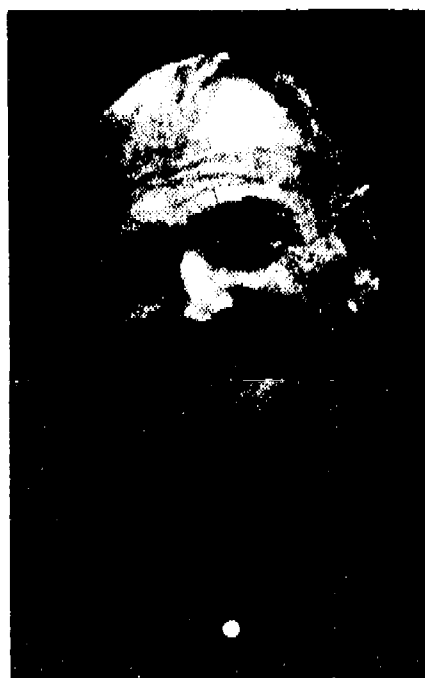
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Robert John Bradfield Jr., M.D., 72, died on Monday, Sept. 12, 2005, following a 10-year battle with leukemia.

Dr. Bradfield, a graduate of the University of Michigan and Wayne State Medical School, was a prominent obstetrician/gynecologist in Grosse Pointe for 30 years.

He enjoyed spending time outdoors at his lake house in New Hampshire, hiking, windsurfing and kayaking. An avid classic car collector, he enjoyed tinkering on cars and participating in antique automobile shows.

He was a strong voice in the area of animal advocacy, having rescued and raised countless animals over the course of his lifetime. His greatest love was his family and he cherished time spent with them.

Dr. Bradfield is survived by his wife of 46 years, Ruth; two sons, Robert John (Tracy Banks) Bradfield III of Concord, N.H. and William Kimball (Dawn) Bradfield of Brighton; daughter, Janet Bradfield (Kenneth) Davis of Amherst, N.H.; and nine grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe



**Bernice "Jan"
Gruca**

Farms, on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 4 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or Humane Society of the United States or any other animal welfare organization.

Graham Danforth Briggs

Graham Danforth Briggs, 61, of Ford's Colony, Williamsburg, Va., died on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2005, after a brief, but brave fight with cancer.

He was born March 6, 1944, in Bethlehem, Pa., to the late John D. and Agatha C. Robb Briggs.

Mr. Briggs was a graduate of Mount Hermon School of Mount Hermon, Mass. He attended Ohio Wesleyan University and Berklee College of Music. He graduated from the Harvard Business School in 1973 and was employed by General Motors Corp., holding financial management positions in New York City and Detroit until his retirement in 1993.

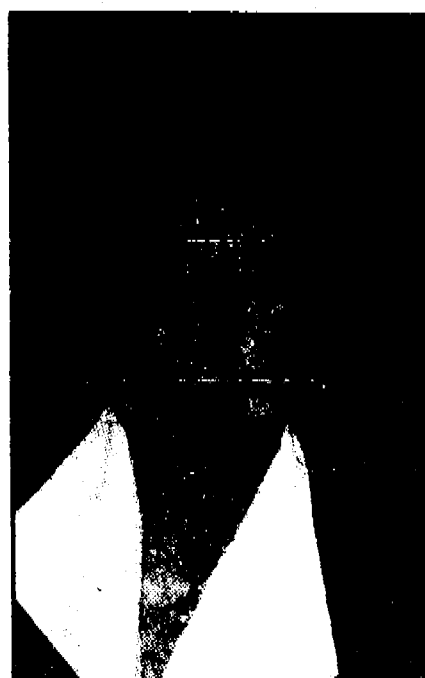
He was a member of the Harvard Club of New York, the Detroit Boat Club and the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, and was an active member of the U.S. Coast Guard. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Briggs, in Williamsburg.

Mr. Briggs was a devoted husband, father and friend. Although his family and many friends were scattered around the country, he made the effort to keep in touch and draw everyone together. He had a grateful and loving spirit. He was a quietly humorous man with an infectious laugh. He enjoyed music, and expressed it through his wonderful piano playing, which brought joy to many people. He will be missed and fondly remembered.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen Brennan Briggs; son, Geoffrey Briggs of Port Townsend, Wash.; daughter, Abigail Briggs of Brighton; granddaughter, Myka Grace Briggs; brother, Malcolm Briggs; sister, Sally Briggs Gibson; uncle, Malcolm Robb; aunts, Rita Pritscher and Jane Johnson; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, Sept. 12, in Williamsburg and a memorial service was held on Wednesday, Sept. 14, in Bethlehem.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice House of Williamsburg, 4445 Powhatan Pkwy., Williamsburg, VA 23188.



**Florence Cavataio
Hanna**

Condolences may be registered online at the Web site nelsenfh.com.

Florence Cavataio Hanna

Florence Beatrice Cavataio Hanna, 91, of Grosse Pointe Woods died on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005.

She was born one of nine children on Nov. 21, 1913, to Peter and Grace Cavataio. Mr. Cavataio, owner of Michigan Macaroni, was an industrialist who automated the production of macaroni in the early 1900s.

Mrs. Hanna displayed a strong independent spirit as early as 14 years-old by driving automobiles and working in industrial plants on the home front during World War II.

She married Cameel Hanna in 1943 and had 12 children to whom she devoted her life to their education and care. Her home and heart were always open to her friends and her children's friends. "Pudy," as she was fondly called, always made one more seat at the family table.

Mrs. Hanna was a lifelong Catholic who raised her children with Christian values. She was an active member of Our Lady Star of the Sea parish.

After her husband died in 1979, Mrs. Hanna headed the family for over 25 years sending all of her children to college and beyond to medical school, law school, advanced degrees in education, nursing and business.

She was active in the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). She was a pioneer and an active member of self-help groups for friends and family of the mentally ill. She helped families plow through the bureaucracy of courts, hospitals and social services to help their loved ones.

She is survived by her children, Sylvia Adams, Diane Edwards, Shirley Nagel, Fred (Louise), Peter, Cameel Jr. (Laurie), Donald, M.D., Joy, William, M.D. (Laurie), Patricia and Mark (Hildur); and her grandchildren, Wayne, George, Alissa, Robert, Hanna, Adam, Elise, Jeanne-Marie, Cameel III, Carly, Sarah, Lauren, Zachary, Rebecca and Audrey.

She was predeceased by her husband, Cameel Hanna and daughter, Grace Arnold.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Sept. 10, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Colonial Place Three, 2107 Wilson Blvd., Suite 30, Arlington, VA 22201-3042, or the American Heart Association, 24445 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075.

James Thomas Hastings

Grosse Pointe Farms resident James Thomas Hastings, 72, died from complications of Parkinson's disease at Sunrise Assisted Living on Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2005.

He was born on March 7, 1933, to Jimdee and Bessie Hastings in Detroit. He



**James Thomas
Hastings**

graduated from Southeastern High School in 1951, continuing his education for two years at Florida College and then graduating from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1955.

After working for several area businesses as a purchasing agent, he achieved independent success in 1975 when he established his own janitorial and industrial supply company, Odyssey Supply, which continues to be family owned and operated.

An avid runner, he competed in hundreds of marathons, and 5K and 10K races throughout Michigan and Florida, winning an impressive collection of medals and trophies. For 20 years, he could be seen running up and down Grosse Pointe Boulevard where he trained 40 to 50 miles a week in preparation for competitive racing. When he was vice commodore of the Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club in 1985, his company sponsored the Grosse Pointe Fun Run. He also enjoyed reading, movies and traveling.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Jo; children, Aleta, Heather (Randy) Sanocki and Todd; and grandchildren, Jamison, Jenna, Kaela and John.

Bernice "Jan" Gruca

Bernice "Jan" Gruca, 85, of Grosse Pointe Park, died on Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2005, at Bon Secours Hospital.

She was born on Jan. 30, 1920, in Chicago, Ill., to Barbara and John Jankus. She was a resident of Grosse Pointe Park for 41 years.

In 1939, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from St. Bernard/Loyola University in Chicago. She was ranked first statewide for the 1939 Illinois State board exam for registered nurses. She was an O.R. nurse at Holy Cross Hospital in Chicago and in the surgical unit at Bon Secours Hospital. She gave up her nursing career to raise her family.

Her family and friends benefited from her lifelong interest in vitamins, nutrition and all things healthy.

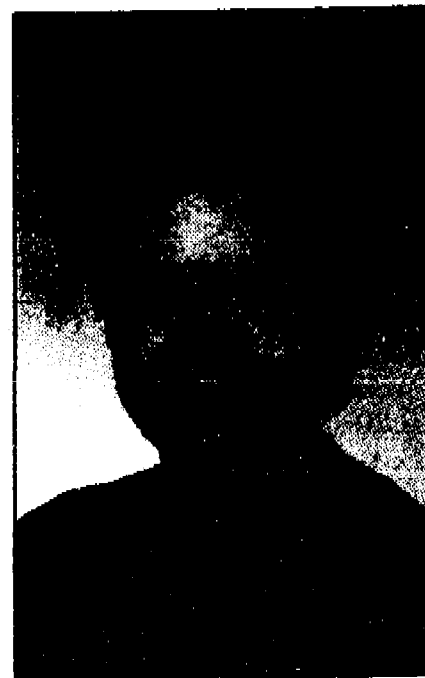
She was a 41-year member of St. Ambrose Church where she served as a Eucharistic minister for six years, a member and past president (1988-1989) of the Ribbon Farms Chapter of Questers, and a 12-year volunteer at Bon Secours Hospital where she also served as a Eucharistic minister.

She was an avid bridge player and a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Women's Bridge Club. She had a grand slam playing bridge, just three weeks before her death.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Gruca; daughters, Susan (Al) Mazur and Leslie (Vincent) Chiarello; son, Edward (Lourdes) Gruca; grandchildren, Lisa (Mitchell) Armentrout and John Mazur; great-grandchildren, Mark and Charlie Armentrout; and sister, Josephine Benas.

She was predeceased by her brother, Dr. John Jankus.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Aug. 27, at St. Ambrose Church in Grosse Pointe Park.



**Lillian
Seegers**

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Ambrose Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

Mary Agnes Campbell McEachern

Mary Agnes Campbell McEachern, 90, of Grosse Pointe Farms died on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2005.

She was born on Feb. 24, 1915, in Glencoe, Inverness County, Nova Scotia. She left the family farm in Nova Scotia in her teenage years for opportunities in the United States. She first went to Boston and then traveled to a community of fellow Scottish countrymen in Detroit and Grosse Pointe.

She married Joseph McEachern in 1947. She was a devoted wife and mother of five children. She always welcomed her children's friends into her home.

As a Detroit sports enthusiast, she encouraged her children to appreciate and participate in organized sports. She was an avid fan of the Red Wings and Tigers.

After raising her children, Mrs. McEachern shifted her endless energy to the St. Paul's school and church rectory, working in the cafeteria and caring for the parish priests. Recognized for her "green thumb," she took pride and joy in caring for the flowers in her yard at her home in Grosse Pointe Farms. Her love of her Scottish heritage was portrayed in her appreciation of Celtic music and dance. She will be remembered for her smile, generosity, and wonderful sense of humor.

She is survived by her children, Thresa, Edward (Mary Jane), Don (Lara), Jerry and Veronica (Chris) Greiner; grandchildren, Ryan, Joseph, Alex, Katelyn and Jessica; sister, Kate Moran; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her sisters, Flora MacMaster, Mary Cameron, Jessie Chisholm and Christine Boudreau and brothers, Doug, Archie, Ronald, Joe and Steve Campbell.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17, at St. Paul Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Salvation Army Hurricane Relief Fund, 16130 Northland Dr., Southfield, MI 48075 or to the Hospices of Henry Ford, P.O. Box 02220, Detroit, MI 48202.

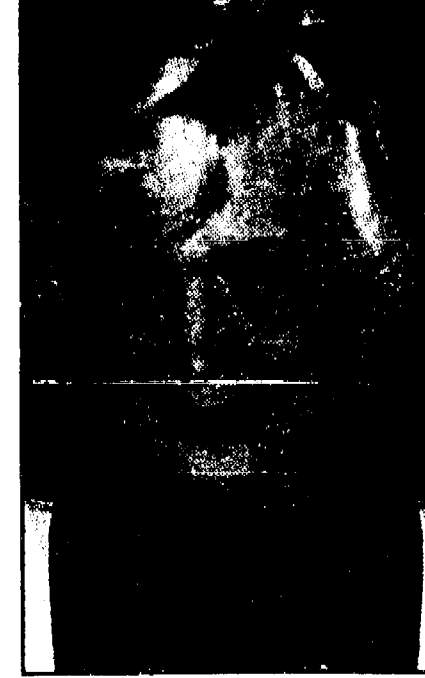
Marion E. Murvay

Former Grosse Pointe resident Marion E. Murvay, 88, of Lake Angelus, died on Friday, Sept. 9, 2005.

She was considered to be a "one of a kind" and a remarkable woman by many who knew her. She was a member of the Lake Angelus Book and Garden clubs.

She is survived by her son, Mark Murvay of Troy; grandchildren, Michele and Margo Murvay, both of the Chicago area, and Mathew (Cassie) Murvay of Aliso Viejo, Calif., and their mother, Chris Carlson; two great-grandchildren, Milan and Beck Murvay; and her dear friend, Ron Featherston.

She was predeceased by



**M. "Lyn" Russell
Ware**

her husband, Elmer Murvay.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Sept. 13, in Waterford. Interment is at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

To send a personal message to the family, select guestbook at the Web site coatsfuneralhome.com.

Lillian Seegers

Former Grosse Pointe resident Lillian Entz Seegers, 94, of Walnut Creek, Calif., died on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005.

She was born on Aug. 16, 1911, to Jacob and Laura Entz in Galesville, Wisc., and grew up in Waterloo, Iowa. She received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from the University of Iowa and was a registered dietitian for several years.

She married Walter Seegers in 1935. The couple resided in Grosse Pointe where Mrs. Seegers taught first and second grade for over 20 years.

They moved to Walnut Creek in 1982. She was active in the Rossmore Kiwanis Association for many years and helped manage their annual Alzheimer's banquet for a number of years. She was beloved by many and was known for her kind heart and consistent, warm smile.

Mrs. Seegers is survived by her daughter, Dorothy (David) Messerschmitt of Moraga, Calif.; and granddaughter, Laura Messerschmitt of San Francisco, Calif.

She was predeceased by her husband, Walter.

At her request, no services are planned.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross, Katrina Relief Fund.

M. "Lyn" Russell Ware

Former Grosse Pointe resident M. "Lyn" Russell Ware, 81, of Bradenton, Fla., died Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2005.

She was born on Jan. 31, 1924 in Detroit. She lived in Grosse Pointe for almost 50 years, working in the executive offices of the J. L. Hudson Co. in Detroit for 30 of those years. She was married to Leland Russell for more than 40 years and had five children.

She retired as president of her own retail organization before moving to Florida in 1988 when she married Dexter Ware to whom she was married for almost 20 years.

She was beautiful both inside and out and adored her family. She was gracious and kind to everyone she met and had a spirit and vitality that was unsurpassed. She was an affectionate person who enjoyed giving and receiving hugs.

She is survived by her daughters, Lyn Youngquist and Laura Aden Russell; sons, Lee and Alan Russell; and grandchildren, Kristin and Bill Youngquist.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, Sept. 23, at 11 a.m. at White Chapel Cemetery, 621 W. Long Lake Rd., Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 24445 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075.



**Julie Cobane
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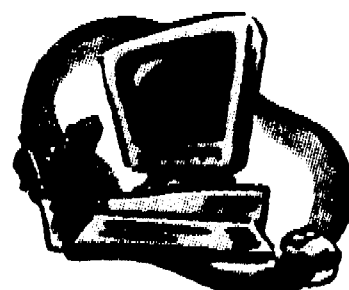
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Grosse Pointers put best foot forward to help storm victims

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Residents of Grosse Pointe Woods and its surrounding communities, along with a dozen businesses made generous donations to help the victims in New Orleans and their fight to regain what was lost in Hurricane Katrina.

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans asked Woods Mayor Pro-Tem Patti Kukula-Chylinski to gather as many friends and acquaintances together to help load a semi-truck with water, baby formula, diapers and other non-perishable foods.

"I tried to contact as many people as possible to get the word out," Kukula-Chylinski

said. "We're helping a lot of people who desperately need the help."

A semi-trailer pulled up to the Grosse Pointe Woods city hall at 5:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3, and at noon, the truck, which holds 43,000 tons of supplies, was filled to capacity as its destination was New Orleans.

A line of cars stretched for three blocks on Mack, and this vigorous activity went on for hours in front of city hall.

Woods city manager Mark Wollenweber helped out, as

did Dan Curis, who owns the Big Boy restaurant on Mack in the Woods.

"Mark put in a few hours helping unload cars and Dan (Curis) brought out sand-

Members of the Grosse Pointe Woods community, including Woods Mayor Pro-Tem Patricia Kukula-Chylinski, second from right, helped fill a semi-trailer truck with non-perishable food, baby formula and baby diapers for the people left homeless in Mississippi, New Orleans and Alabama from Hurricane Katrina. Wayne County sheriff's department spearheaded the support as more than a truck load of items was brought to city hall on Saturday, Sept. 3.

wiches a couple times for all of us to eat while we helped pack the truck," Kukula-Chylinski said.

Even the Chesterfield Market located on 23 Mile and Gratiot in Chesterfield Township helped the cause by sending 1,000 cases of water.

The CVS and Farmer Jack in Grosse Pointe Woods emptied its shelves of water,

and local recording artist Anita Baker dropped off several items to help the people of New Orleans.

The three local news crews (Channel 2, 4 and 7) were also on hand, covering the story for its viewers who tuned into the 7, 10 and 11 p.m. telecasts.

"There was such a tremendous amount of support from a lot of people,"

Kukula-Chylinski said. "The people of Grosse Pointe put their best foot forward to help those who lost everything in the hurricane. It was a great show of support."

Two other businesses donated 500 cans of Campbell Soup with the flip top cans so people would not need can openers in order to enjoy a meal.

An additional \$200 was donated for the cause.

When it was all said and done, one and a half truck loads of non-perishable food, baby formula, diapers and other necessities made their way to New Orleans, along with \$3,200 in cash and checks.

Outfitter improves Village store facade

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Now that Moosejaw Mountaineering has settled into its new location on Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair in the Village, store officials are moving ahead on a company facelift.

The store's front and rear facades are to be revamped with new signs, lights, display windows, wall colors and awnings.

City of Grosse Pointe officials rated Moosejaw's proposal in league with new rules intended to improve the appearance of business districts.

"From the design guidelines, the rear facade should look like the front facade," explained Kevin Herwick of the City's commercial planning consultants McKenna Associates in Northville.

Moosejaw will install a 35-square-foot sign on the front facade. A 27-square-foot sign has been approved for the rear facade.

Both signs will contain

the outdoor-oriented company's name ending with an emblematic "w" fashioned to resemble moose antlers.

"The proposed signs meet the current zoning standard," according to Herwick's review of Moosejaw's application to redesign the building's exterior. "The applicant submitted several facade renderings to the City and has worked with staff to achieve a look that works for themselves as well as the City."

Gooseneck lamps will spotlight signs both front and rear.

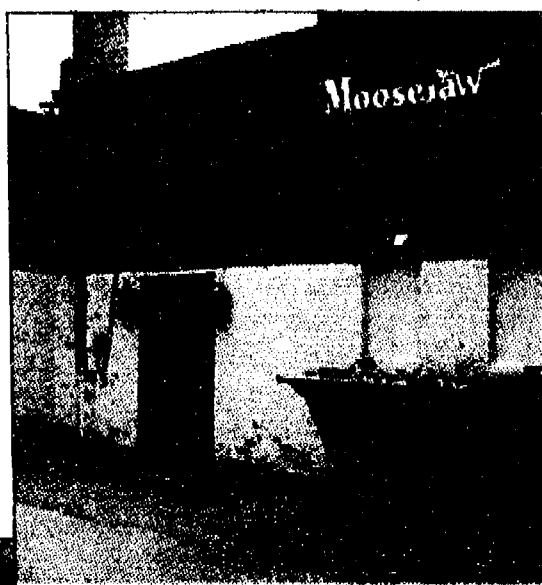
Brick on the Kercheval storefront will be more red in color. The back side is to be painted a dark beige or putty.

Rear windows that are currently boarded up will be unblocked and used for displays. An awning will stand above the windows, wrought iron bench and planter boxes.

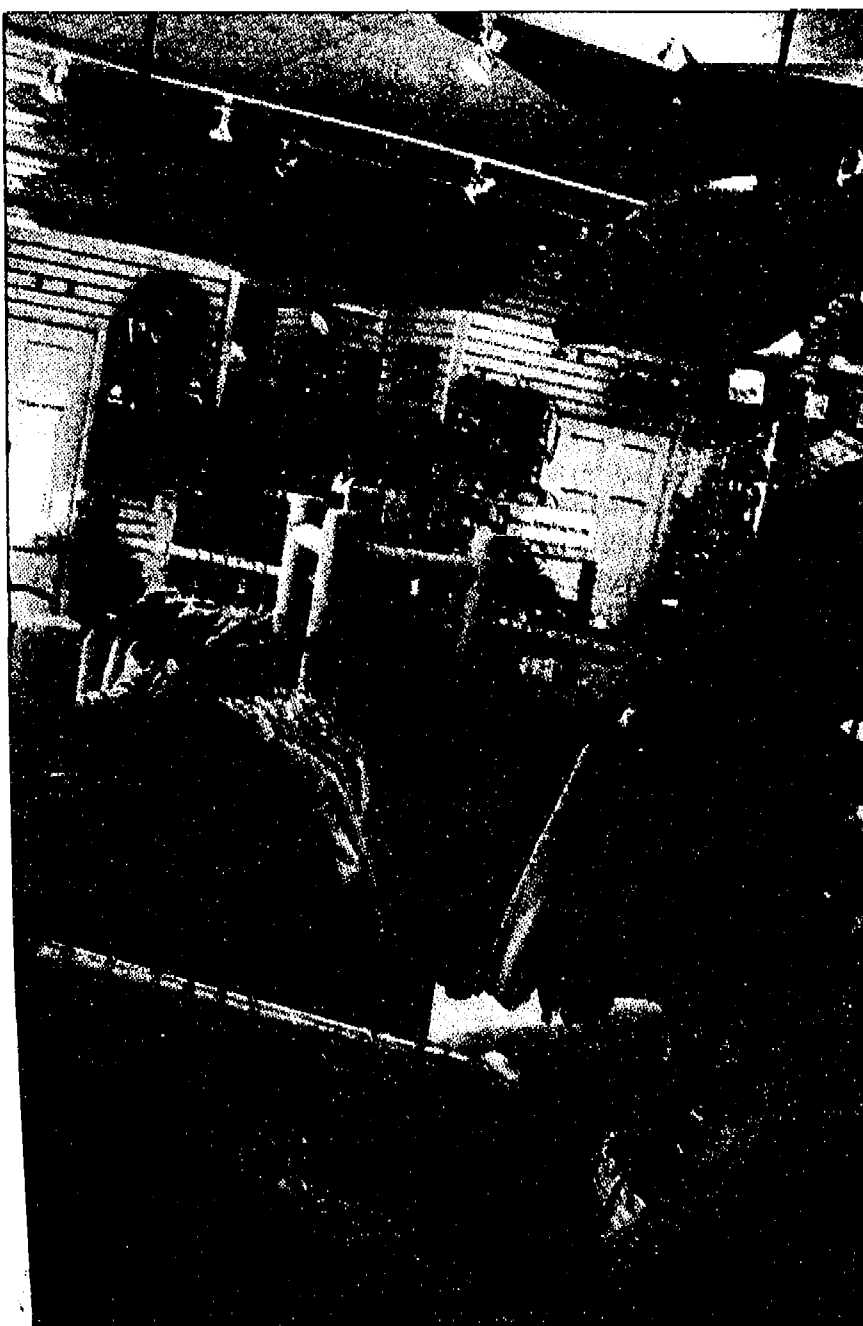
Exterior lights will be timed to shine until 11 p.m., in accordance with City


wishes to keep the Village lit and vibrant into the night.

Moosejaw's rear door faces municipal parking lot No. 2. City officials are in the process of seeking a developer to rebuild the lot into a combination of retail, office and residential use.



Photos by Brad Lindberg
Blair Lee of Grosse Pointe Park, right, a sales clerk at Moosejaw Mountaineering in the Village, arranges outdoor gear beneath a fleet of kayaks hanging from the ceiling. The store's front and rear facades will be changed, with the back of the store, above, made more inviting, as has been done at nearby Rennell gifts, left.





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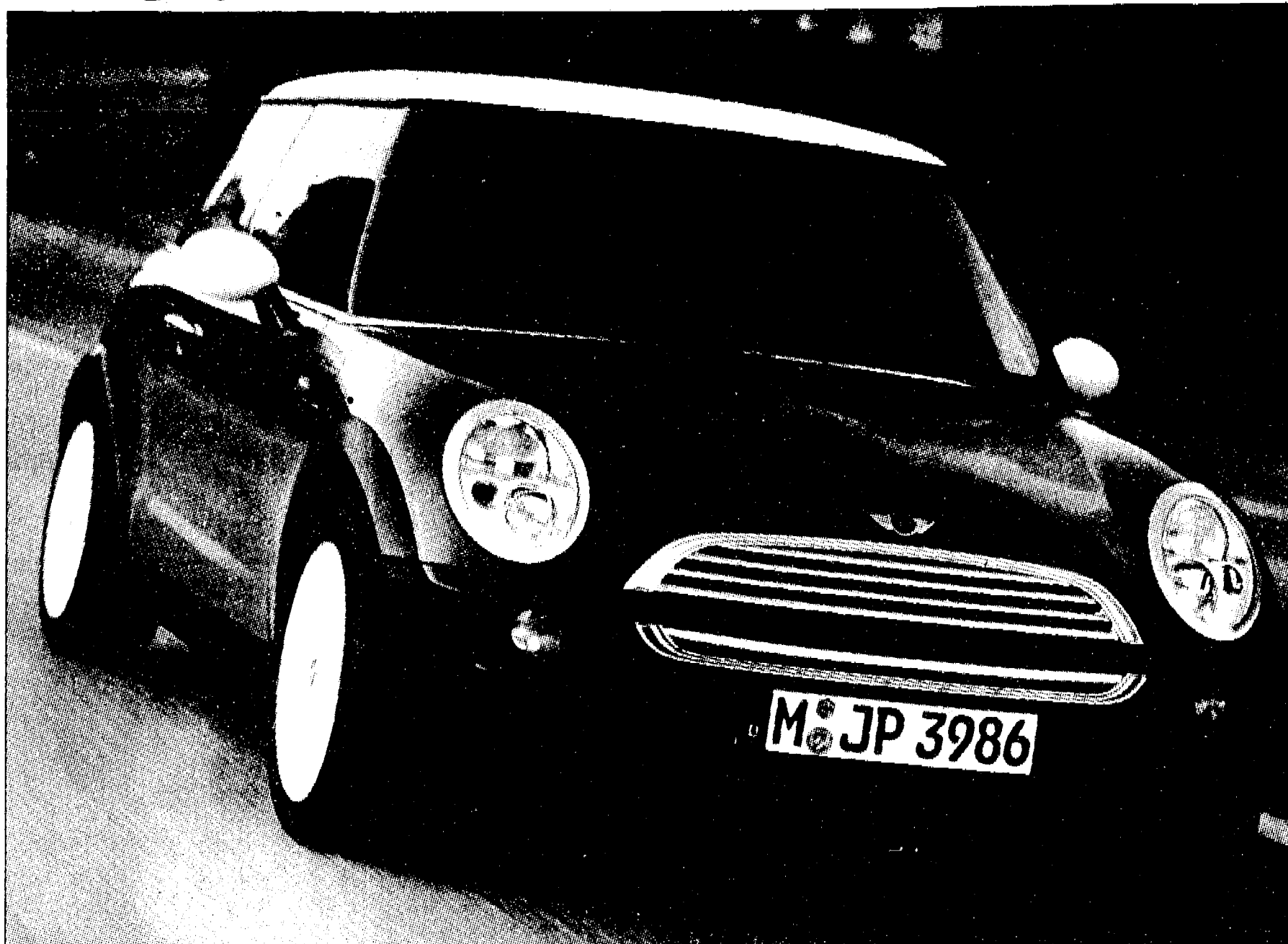
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Summer driving fun in two packages

Sharing is good. Everyone wants to be thought of as generous, unselfish. But when it came to sharing the 2005 Mini Cooper with a trusted colleague, generosity took a back seat. Use your own wheels; take a

and a front-drive car also make a difference. The Mini features a computer-based "drive-by-wire" that affects its throttle response. We actually found it a bit hesitating when the accelerator is first pressed. The front seats are spa-



Fun? You betcha. The MINI Cooper actually seats four. A 1.6-liter base engine is peppy yet fuel-efficient.

Autos

By Jenny King

bus. Hands off that Mini.

The mini looks like fun. And it is — perhaps too much so. Thank goodness the one assigned to us to enjoy was only for a couple of days or there would be mounting discord with respect to whom gets to drive the red-and-white cutie.

Adding to its attraction is an EPA rating of 26 miles per gallon city and 34 mpg highway. This is an important consideration as gas prices start a relentless push toward \$3.50 a gallon.

This four-seater tends to turn one into a road runner. You start making up reasons to drive somewhere, like taking a Sunday drive on Tuesday afternoon.

So why is it fun? It's very precise. The steering is so responsive that the slightest turn of the wheel puts you in another lane.

Mini explains that its short, wide stance and low center of gravity give it a surefootedness lacking in other vehicles. Mini said a rear-wheel-drive suspension

cious and comfortable. There is a surprising amount of hip and shoulder room in what appears to be the tiniest of cars. (How many clowns do you think it would hold at the circus?)

Although the Mini is billed as a four-seater, we figured one would pity the adult who draws one of the two backseat positions. With the front seats in a position comfortable for persons under six feet, it looked as if there were virtually no leg room behind those front seats.

Wrong, again. The rear seat is deep, allowing passengers to sit way back. And for many, the leg room will be adequate, at least for short trips. Very impressive.

My colleague seemed disgruntled that there are only three positions for the backs of those front seats. They are not infinitely adjustable. But they do go up and down. And one of the three back postures is likely to fill the bill for most drivers.

Winding, knob-activated adjustment for the backs of

the seats seems a practical and affordable solution.

We do dislike the lock-you-in feature that engages once the Mini sets off down the road. Driver or passenger must push up the dainty silver toggle switch on the instrument panel to unlock the doors once again. That's where you'll also find toggles for the power windows.

The instrumentation is chic: circular, silvery, modern. The inside door handles are silver-colored semi-circles. The steering-column-mounted turn signal and wiper controls have pleasing

jellybean shapes.

Driver visibility is excellent, thanks to big windows and unobtrusive roof support pillars.

The base price of a 2005 Mini Cooper is \$16,950. Plus \$550 for getting it to a dealer from its U.S. port of entry, Jersey City, N.J.

The modern Mini is assembled for BMW in Oxford, England. Our info sheet told us that 50 percent of its elegant and efficient parts were sourced in the UK; 20 percent are from Germany, and a meager 5 percent are from the United States or Canada. The 1.6-liter four-cylinder engine with overhead cam comes from Brazil. The smooth continuously variable automatic transmission, which adds \$1,300 to the sticker price, is a product of Belgium. A six-speed manual transmission is standard.

Automatic headlights add \$200 to your cost, and a special sound system kicks the price up another \$550. The smiles from other drivers and from pedestrians are free.

And according to the Automotive Intelligence Web site, prices for three 2006 BMW models will remain unchanged. One of them is the standard MINI Cooper.

If you are into Web sites, check out MINIUSA.com and try to configure your own Mini, hardtop or convertible, plain or "S." It offers a range of exterior colors, interiors, handsome detailing and accessories plus engine enhancement kits.

The base model with continuously variable transmission is rated at 26 mpg city and 34 mpg highway. The bad news is that its smog index, 1.0, is at the high end of the scale.

We understand there may soon be a Mini Cooper on a slightly longer wheelbase and sporting two smaller rear-hinged rear doors for greater access to that back seat.

Infiniti G35

It was just one of those things.

Summer time spent earlier this year in a 2005 Infiniti G35 was indeed a

fabulous flight. This glamorous coupe may be compared with owning a pair of terrific-looking and very chic sandals or a great hot weather linen outfit: stylish but not all that practical.

Those strappy sandals with no real foot support, extra-high heels and perhaps one-inch platforms are an invitation to a twisted ankle or some amazing blisters. As for the linen duds: terrific on the hanger, especially fresh from the cleaners or your ironing board. But after five minutes on the job, they are a mass of wrinkles.

Once you are in the G35 and properly belted, things are good. The doors to the cockpit are very heavy and seating is the low, sports coupe style. Entrance to and exit from the back seat are awkward. Again, once in place, the passenger is comfortable, though there always is a slight sense of being trapped and at the mercy of the heating/air con-

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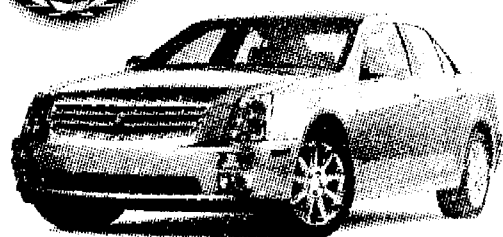
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(NUI) — You can add miles to every gallon of gasoline you pump by maintaining your vehicle and practicing fuel-saving driving habits.

"Most motorists don't realize that it's the little things that don't take a lot of time or cost much that can really make a difference when it comes to saving money at the pump," said Rich White, executive director of the Car Care Council. "Loose or missing gas caps, underinflated tires, worn spark plugs and dirty air filters all contribute to poor fuel economy."

The Car Care Council offers these gas-saving maintenance and driving tips:

- Secure your vehicle's gas cap. About 17 percent of the vehicles on the road

have damaged or loose gas caps or are missing gas caps altogether, causing 147 million gallons of gas to vaporize every year.

- Keep tires properly inflated. Driving on underinflated tires is like driving with the parking brake on and can cost you a mile or two per gallon.

- Replace worn spark plugs regularly. A vehicle's spark plugs can fire as many as 3 million times every 1,000 miles. A dirty spark plug causes misfiring, which wastes fuel.

- Change dirty air filters. If the air filter gets clogged and chokes off the air, it creates a mixture that's too "rich" in gas, which causes the engine to lose power. Replacing a clogged air filter can improve gas mileage by as much as 10 percent.

- Don't be an aggressive driver. Aggressive driving can lower gas mileage by as much as 33 percent on the highway and 5 percent on city streets.

- Avoid excessive idling. Sitting idle gets zero miles per gallon. Letting the vehicle warm up for just one to two minutes is sufficient.

- Observe the speed limit. Gas mileage decreases rapidly at speeds above 60 mph. Use cruise control to maintain a constant speed on the highway.

- Do not carry unneeded heavy items in the vehicle. An extra 100 pounds can cut fuel efficiency by 1 percent to 2 percent.

To see the Car Care Council's free service interval schedule, visit the Web site carcare.org.

Choosing the right hybrid model

(NAPSI) — Hybrid cars are emerging as a driving force in the U.S. auto market. Since 1999, more than 200,000 hybrids (vehicles that run on both gas and electricity) have been sold in the United States.

Some hybrids may be stopping short of delivering on promises for fuel efficiency and pollution. That's the news from the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS), a group that recently launched a Web site that it

says separates the hybrid truth from the hybrid hype.

The Web site hybridcenter.org, features a watchdog section that monitors the hybrid vehicle market to ensure that consumers get what they are paying for. It also features an interactive buyer's guide that uses details about a person's driving habits, location, and ownership history to provide customized information on hybrids that best fit your

lifestyle and budget.

In addition, the site's "Under the Hood" feature provides an animated, easy-to-understand look at the technology driving hybrids, while a side-by-side comparison shows how the different hybrid models stack up against each other and conventional gasoline cars and SUVs.

For more information, visit the Web site hybridcenter.org.

Driving fun

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ditioning/fresh air choices of front seat passengers.

For 2005, Infiniti upped the ante in the G35 coupe 6MT model by increasing horsepower in its 3.5-liter V-6 engine to just under 300 horsepower. Nissan says the extra power comes from the addition of electronic exhaust valve timing and structural improvements to the engine block. Torque is rated at 270 pound-feet for the G35 Coupe and 260 pound-feet for the G35 Coupe 6MT.

Reverse in the six-speed manual transmission is frequently hard to find. Going forward, however, is easy and very fast.

The Infiniti G35 sport coupe delivers a ton of style with a sense of confident performance. *

A new sport-tuned suspension package with 19-

inch aluminum-alloy wheels, limited-slip differential, drilled aluminum pedals and sport steering wheel are offered with the 5-speed automatic transmission equipped G35 Coupe model. The sport suspension equipment is included as standard equipment on the G35 Coupe 6MT.

The five-speed automatic transmission features a manual mode function with new downshift rev-matching, which revs the engine with each downshift to provide better response for the driver.

The Infiniti G35 from Nissan with five-speed automatic transmission and the 280-horsepower V-6 starts at \$32,750. The G35 6MT, with six-speed manual and the 298-horsepower six pushes the bottom line to \$33,350. Fuel economy numbers for the automatic transmission are 18 mpg city/26 mpg



Beautiful, flowing lines give the Infiniti G35 a look of luxury atop performance. A 298-horsepower V-6 under the hood does not disappoint.

highway. The manual transmission squeezes out 19 mpg city; highway remains at 26 mpg. Premium fuel is recommended.

Luxurious Cadillac STS

By Greg Zyla

This week, we test drive Cadillac's all-new STS, a luxury rear-drive sports sedan that replaces the aging Seville — base price: \$40,525; price as tested: \$44,810. At first glance, there's no mistaking that the STS is anything but a contemporary Cadillac, with its vertically stacked headlamps, signature wire-mesh airfoil grille, horizontal lines and uniquely shaped hood.

We've always had a soft spot in our heart for Cadillac, GM's sole autonomous make. From the first car to sprout

Both engines incorporate variable valve timing and are mated to a Hydra-Matic five-speed automatic transmission with Driver Shift Control. Our tester was the V-6.

The bold exterior design is easy on the eyes, while an upscale interior with Tuscan leather seats, eucalyptus wood and aluminum trim welcome all occupants. The Sigma suspension architecture provides excellent handling, thanks to Magnetic Ride Control and StabiliTrak suspension appointments.

We really like the Keyless

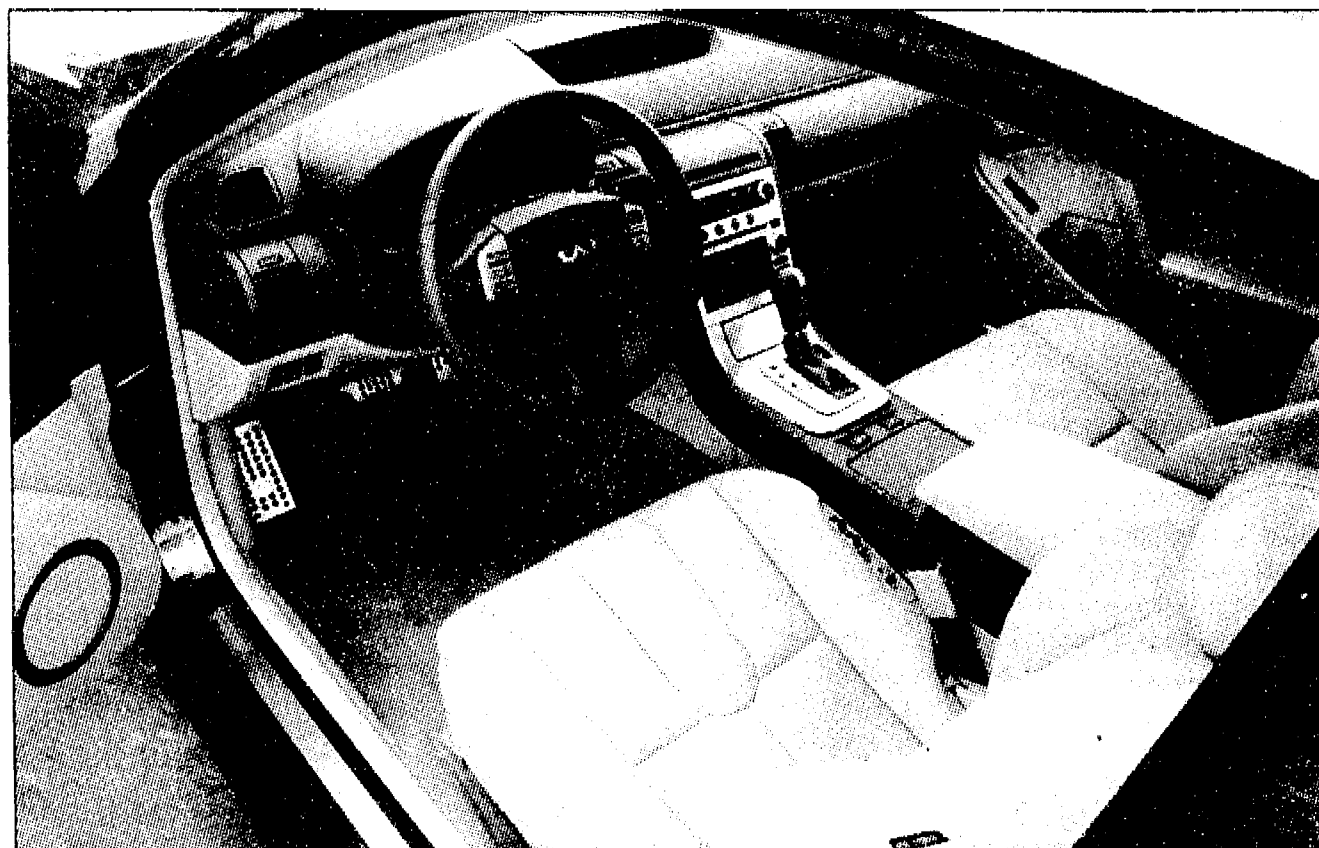
weight, 13.8 cubic-feet of trunk room, and EPA numbers of 17 mpg city and 24 mpg highway.

We rate Cadillac's new STS a strong nine on a scale of one to 10, and would love to drive the V-8 before the year is out.

Likes: Looks, comfort, handling, build quality.

Dislikes: Heads-up display, V-6 lags a bit with automatic transmission and three passengers.

— King Features Syndicate



For 2005, the instrument panel and console area of the Infiniti G35 coupe have been redesigned. There is real aluminum on the center console and dashboard areas, and new optional rosewood trim adds a warmer feel for those who desire it.



Photos courtesy of Wiecek

2005 Cadillac STS



ins in 1949 (a Harley Earl design) to those spectacular fins of 1959, Cadillac was at the top of my luxury-car list. As the decades ticked by, not every year was kind sales-wise to Cadillac. Still, the brand has always been respected for innovation and safety.

In the early '90s, Cadillac made an abrupt U-turn in marketing strategy. Instead of concentrating solely on U.S. sales, Cadillac decided to produce a world-class car that would be at home both in America and on Europe's autobahn, where heavies like Mercedes, Jaguar, Infiniti, Lexus and Acura roam. Overall, Cadillac has done a great job of blending performance and luxury, and today "world-class" is a correct stamp.

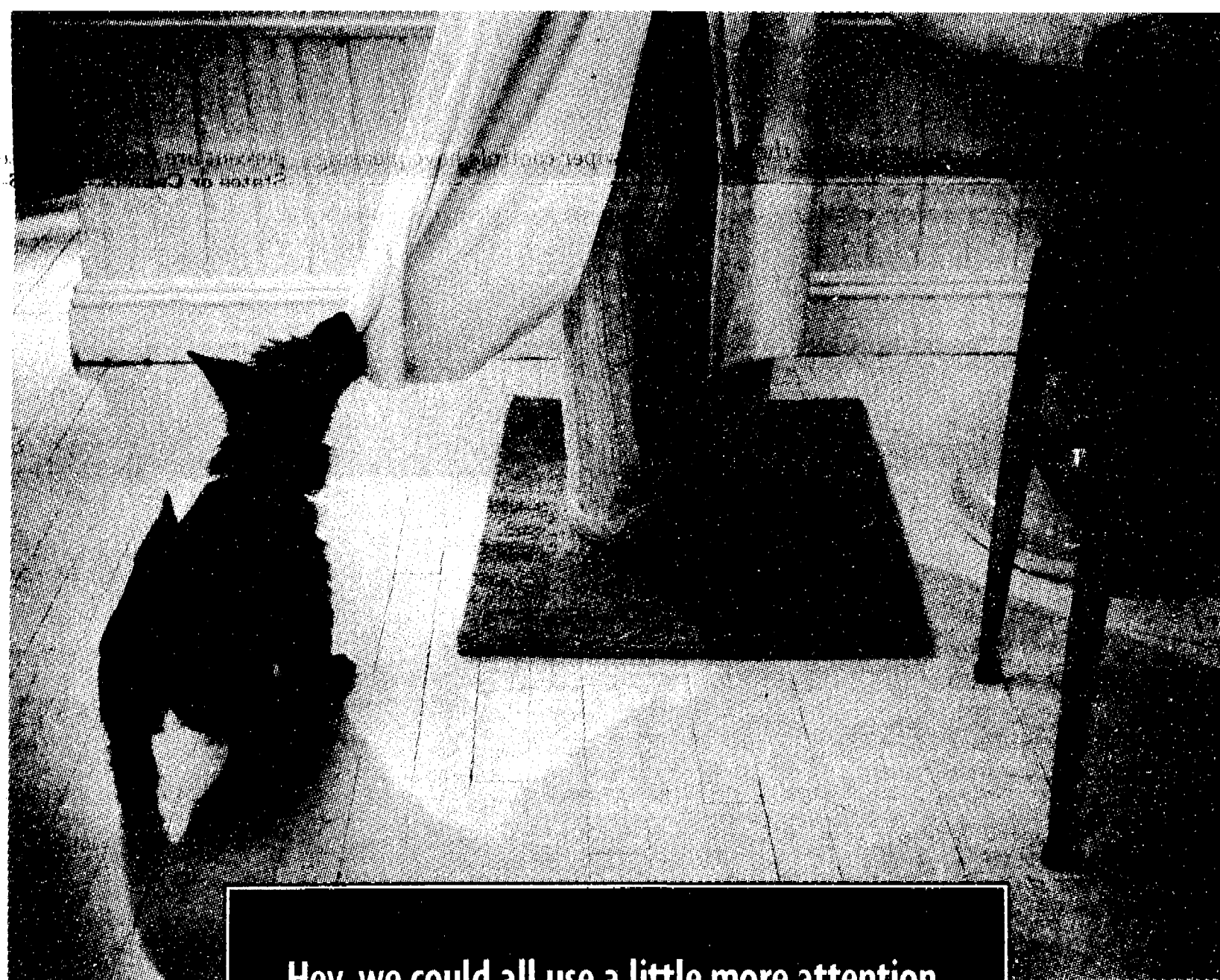
The 2005 STS is a luxury performance sedan designed to deliver superior craftsmanship, exceptional performance and sophisticated luxury. Based on GM's rear-wheel-drive Sigma architecture, the STS is available with either a 255-horsepower, 3.6-liter aluminum V-6 in a rear-drive configuration, or the 320-horsepower Northstar 4.6-liter V-8 in rear- and all-wheel-drive.

Access with push-button start. Adaptive Remote Start and Adaptive Cruise Control, although we're still not too keen on the heads-up display. Some people may like the speed and other info displayed on the windshield, but I don't. I just turn it off in whatever car may have it.

Our STS came with a \$2,390 Luxury Package that added driver memory settings, power lumbar, heated front seats, Bose eight-speaker system with integrated in-dash six-disc CD, rain-sensing wipers, and beautiful 17-inch polished aluminum wheels. The only other option was a \$1,200 sunroof. With \$695 destination added, the final price came to \$44,810.

On the highway, you'll enjoy the STS wherever you take it. We drove many miles on both back roads and freeways, and it's at home regardless of road surface. STS hugs the turns like a world-class sportster, yet you can still relax on the freeway in that special Cadillac aura of luxury. Acceleration is acceptable, although that Northstar V-8 intrigues me with the added horsepower.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 116.4 inches, 3,857-pound curb



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Underage drinking

City of Grosse Pointe police cited two 18-year-old males for underage drinking Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2 a.m.

Officers discovered the pair in a 2000 Ford Mustang parked in the driveway of a house in the 600 block of Neff.

Police said the driver lived in Grosse Pointe Park. The passenger's residence was not listed.

Both subjects were taken to headquarters and released to their parents.

Snake napping

A 23-year-old Detroit man allegedly entered a house in the 700 block of St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe and stole his 17-year-old brother's 8-inch garter snake.

Police investigated the incident on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 3:39 p.m.

"(I) observed glass shelving units damaged, furniture displaced in the basement and a broken table," said an officer.

Detectives said the older man, a Detroit resident, admitted taking the snake and gave it to a pet shop.

"(He) stated he was mad (his younger brother) was not taking care of the snake," police said.

Smashed

On Friday, Sept. 9, at 1:53 a.m., a 33-year-old Grosse Pointe Park woman was arrested for drunken driving in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Because she reportedly refused to take a field sobriety test to indicate her blood alcohol level, officers obtained a search warrant for her blood to be tested at a local hospital.

A patrolman said he spotted the woman driving a red 2002 Ford Focus station wagon 37 mph on eastbound Charlevioix near Lakeland, a 25 mph zone.

"The vehicle nearly rear-ended a parked vehicle before swerving around it," police said. "The driver did this twice."

The third time wasn't a charm.

"The driver struck a vehicle parked on the northeast corner of Charlevioix (and) McKinley," police said.

Officers searching the car said they found the remnants of two marijuana cigarettes.

Drunk and speeding

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:27 a.m., Grosse Pointe Farms police caught a drunken 20-year-old Kalamazoo man speeding a white 2004 Chrysler Crossfire on eastbound

Mack near Whitcomb.

Officers said the man registered a .122 percent blood alcohol level. He reportedly denied drinking.

Officers released his car to a 20-year-old female passenger from St. Clair Shores.

Bag lady

Grosse Pointe Farms police bagged a 48-year-old Detroit woman last weekend to keep her from spitting at officers.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, at 11:52 p.m., police arrested the woman for allegedly running a red light on northbound Moross at Kercheval. Officers reported finding open beer and remnants of a marijuana cigarette in her tan 1999 Chevrolet Cavalier.

Officers suspected the woman of drinking, but she wouldn't consent to a standard Breathalyzer test.

Officers placed the woman in a holding cell at headquarters while obtaining a search warrant to have her blood tested at an area local hospital for alcohol content. While waiting she reportedly kicked the cell door and shouted about being put in jail "illegally."

"At 2:05 a.m. while attempting to walk (her) to (a cruiser) for transport, she spit in (an officer's) face," police said.

Officers shielded the woman's mouth and, at the hospital, slipped a hood over her head to prevent further assaults.

Testing over, the woman urinated on the hospital floor while waiting to be discharged, police said. Back in the Farms holding cell, the woman threatened "to defecate in the cell and smear it all over," police said.

Hospital officials said the woman tested free of HIV, but the patrolman she reportedly assaulted received a tetanus shot to be safe.

When police stopped the woman for the traffic infraction, she was accompanied by a 38-year-old Detroit man.

"(He) seemed to be using



Photo compliments of Lieutenant James D. Chopp

Among his peers

Grosse Pointe Park director of public safety Dave Hiller, standing 10th from the left, was among his peers at a corn roast in his honor on a perfect summer evening (Aug. 31). Hiller was elected to the Vice Presidency of the National Fraternal Order of Police; the event took place at its national convention held in New Orleans. At the corn roast, his election was celebrated both by the local Grosse Pointe Lodge 102 and his campaign committee police throughout the state of Michigan.

drugs and urinated on himself when officers were investigating him," police said.

The man was wanted on unspecified charges in Allen Park.

Obstructed

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 2:38 a.m., a 19-year-old Shelby Township woman was arrested for drinking and driving on Mack at Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Police said she tested positive for a .11 percent blood alcohol level.

A patrolman had pulled her over for operating a red 1992 Chevrolet Cavalier with a burned out license plate light. Officers said her view through the windshield was obstructed by numerous items hanging from the interior rearview mirror.

House targeted

Sometime during Sept. 1-5, someone stole \$300 cash and a \$400 Nikon camera from a vehicle parked in the 100 block of Ridge in Grosse Pointe Farms.

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, the male victim encountered a man about 22 years old on his property. The stranger reportedly said he was "cutting through the yard." The

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Car B&E suspect accused of assault

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Mark Joseph Fragel's nosedive continues.

The 22-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms resident was back in Farms municipal court last week charged with assault.

Fragel is accused of punching a "public safety officer twice in the head while being arrested early Thursday, Sept. 9, for breaking an entering parked vehicles.

Fragel was arraigned Thursday afternoon by visiting City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Judge Russell Ethridge, who presided in the absence of Farms Judge Matthew Rumora. Rumora arraigned Fragel Aug. 13 on a misdemeanor charge of receiving and concealing property stolen from parked cars.

Ethridge last week arraigned Fragel on two counts:

- assaulting a police officer and resisting arrest, a crime punishable by up to two years in jail.
- breaking and entering a vehicle to steal property worth less than \$200, a 93-day misdemeanor.

Ethridge entered a plea of innocence on Fragel's behalf and set bond at \$25,000, of which Fragel has to post 10 percent.

At press time Tuesday afternoon, Fragel remained in Wayne County Jail, according to Detective Rick Good.

Terms of release on bond include not leaving the state, residing at his parents' house, and not using alcohol nor any nonprescription controlled substances.

A preliminary examination on the latest charges is scheduled Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 1 p.m.

"For the second time in several weeks we've arrested Mark Fragel for breaking into cars," said Detective Mike McCarthy. "On this occasion, while officers were investigating him, he physically attacked them, at which time our officers had to subdue him."

Officers from the Farms and City caught Fragel Thursday, Sept. 8, shortly before 3 a.m.

At least two residents in the 700 block of Fisher in the City, plus across the street in the 200 block of Fisher in the Farms, reported suspicious activity.

"(A female Farms resi-

dent) said she was sleeping on (the) back porch when she was awoke by noise in (the) driveway," said Farms PSO Wes Kipke. "When she turned on the light, she caught a glimpse of (the) subject with dark hair leaving from her vehicle parked in (the) driveway at (the) rear of (the) house."

A woman living on the Farms side of Fisher saw a stranger coming from a neighbor's yard.

City officers responding to one of the complaints encountered Fragel riding a bicycle "at a quick pace" in the area of Fisher and Waterloo.

"(Fragel) was sweating profusely and admitted drinking," said officer Dan Eckert. "(He) had large amounts of change in his pockets which was consistent with the break-ins."

Fragel reportedly cooperated until Farms police arrived.

"(I) immediately recognized (the) subject that (Grosse Pointe City) officers were speaking with, Mark Fragel," said Farms PSO Wierzewski. "Fragel began to pull away forcefully (and) shove at officers."

Officers took Fragel to the ground.

"As Fragel fell to the ground, he struck (me) twice to the right side of the forehead and jaw with a closed fist," Wierzewski said.

Fragel knocked away one of the officer's Taser stun guns, broke free but was caught about five blocks away on Ridge near Muir in the Farms. Wierzewski subdued him with a Taser jolt.

Officers said Fragel's pockets contained three AA batteries, two packs of cigarettes, a Verizon cellular telephone and \$11.55 in coins. One of the break-in victims reported coins stolen from her car.

At 9:35 a.m., Detective Good tried to interview Fragel at headquarters.

"Fragel stated he had nothing to say other (than) he wanted a public defender," Good said.

"We believe Mr. Fragel is responsible for the vast majority of larcenies that have occurred in the last several weeks," McCarthy said. "In most cases of this nature, a substance abuse problem is involved. He admitted to detectives he was drinking at the time of his last arrest but denies any narcotic use."

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for a second reading at its meeting scheduled for **Monday, September 19, 2005**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The above Council meeting is open to the public. All interested persons are invited to attend.

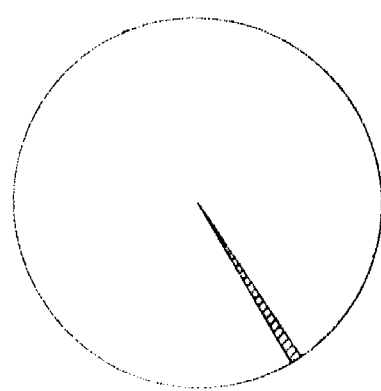
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resident subsequently found a blue Nishik Backroad bicycle abandoned in a nearby wooded area.

At the same house on Friday, Sept. 9, between 5 and 7 a.m., someone entered a 2000 Cadillac Seville parked in the driveway.

At 7 a.m., a female resident discovered the car door open. Nothing appeared taken.

The woman told police she is a victim of previous auto break-ins.

Clubs taken

Grosse Pointe Farms police learned last week that during the night of Aug. 29-30, a set of golf clubs was stolen from a 1986 Volvo station wagon parked in the 100 block of Mapleton.

The Tommy Armour clubs were valued at \$1,000.

'Too many'

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 1:11 a.m., a St. Clair Shores woman admitted drinking and driving when Grosse Pointe Shores officers pulled her over for weaving along eastbound Lakeshore from Shore Crest Circle to the village limits.

Asked if she'd consumed alcohol, the woman reportedly answered, "Yes, probably too many."

Police said a field sobriety test revealed a .21 percent blood alcohol level, more than twice the legal limit.

The woman spent the night in jail. At 11:45 a.m., she posted \$100 bond for release.

Burning brush

When a Grosse Pointe Shores dispatcher answered the department's 911 emergency line on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 9:28 p.m., the caller hung up.

Officers traced the call to a house on Roslyn where they discovered smoke coming from a dishwasher.

"Officers found a bristle cleaning brush had fallen off the rack onto the heating element, which melted some of the bristles," police said.

64 suspensions

Grosse Pointe Shores police suspected a 46-year-old Detroit man with 64 driver license suspensions was under the influence of drugs on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 4:27 p.m.

A patrolman stopped the man for weaving a silver-colored 1986 Chevrolet minivan from northbound Lakeshore onto Vernier.

"(He) was displaying erratic behavior, crying, screaming, tripping on his own feet, waving his arms in the air," said an officer.

Police said the man admitted drinking.

He was taken to a local hospital for a drug test.

Records showed the man wanted by 36th District Court on 13 traffic warrants totaling \$1,300.

Officers cited the man for, among other things, having two open cans of beer in his car, displaying a forged temporary license tag, not having proof of automobile insurance and speeding 22 mph over the 35 mph limit.

— Brad Lindberg

Smashed glass

On Monday, Sept. 12, at 3:31 a.m., a 53-year-old St.

Clair Shores man reported to Grosse Pointe Woods police he saw a smashed window in a business in the 21200 block of Mack.

A 4x8-inch glass panel was broken when officers investigated, and they found a large landscape retaining wall block on the floor inside the building.

Nothing was missing.

Home invader

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 8:58 p.m., a 78-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman living in the 21000 block of Hollywood returned home to see a male subject standing in her vestibule.

The man took off running toward the back of the house before anyone could detain him. Nothing was damaged or taken.

Stolen stuff

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 4:23 p.m., three juveniles residing in Harper Woods were arrested after Grosse Pointe Woods police caught them stealing supplies from Mason Elementary School.

Officers were in the area responding to a call of three youths who were wanted in connection with a larceny from a vehicle when they were summoned to the school after an interior alarm went off.

Officers found the three youths standing near a fenced-in stairway that led to the second floor and at their feet were several pencils and two correction pens.

The pockets of two youths were bulging with numerous items that they stole from the school.

Some of the items taken were a 35mm camera, a flashlight with the label, "Mason School," on it, a box cutter, a lighter, and a pack of gum.

The three juveniles were taken into custody.

Broken window

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 5:10 p.m., a 55-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman living in the 2000 block of VanAntwerp reported to police that the back window of her van was broken.

The van was parked in the driveway of her home.

Detained

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:05 p.m., a 22-year-old Detroit man was pulled over for a routine traffic stop on Harper near Woodmont for not wearing his seat belt.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the man had three outstanding warrants out of Detroit.

The Woods officers asked the man if he had the \$200 to pay for the warrants, and he replied he had only \$100. GPW officers contacted the Detroit police department and told them they had the man in custody and he had only the \$100.

Detroit police said it would be all right for the man to pay \$100 for the warrants; so the man paid his debt and was released.

He lied

At 3:29 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 11, a 78-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 500 block of Shoreham reported to police

a 28-year-old St. Clair Shores man stole several items from his car.

A 22-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores man witnessed the theft in progress and called Grosse Pointe Woods police, who responded immediately and caught up with the thief.

He told police he was looking for his girlfriend's house, even though it was in the middle of the night.

Police called the woman's house, and a male living there said the girlfriend resides in Las Vegas and that the man was lying.

Officers took the man into custody after finding the items he took from the vehicle earlier in the night.

Jewelry theft

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 3:24 a.m., a jewelry business in the 19400 block of Mack was broken into, and several items appeared to be missing, according to the police report.

The subject, seen in the store videotape wearing a hooded sweatshirt, threw a 12-inch by 19-inch by 4-inch piece of concrete through the front window in order to gain access to the business.

Thirty seconds later, the man was taped exiting the business. The safety door glass had been completely knocked off the outer and inner doors.

Two vehicles were reported to be involved with the heist. One is a 1991-94 Ford Explorer that is two-toned in color, and the other is a Ford full-size conversion van that is an early 1990s model.

Stop thief

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:07 p.m., a 37-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman reported to police that an unknown person stole a CD player (valued at \$70), dozens of CDs (valued between \$60 and \$70), a Game Boy (valued at \$60 to \$70), and a plastic basket from her vehicle.

The vehicle was unlocked as it was parked in the driveway of her home in the 600 block of Rosedale Court.

It's gone

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 7:41 p.m., a 46-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman reported to police someone had stolen her child's 20-inch 2002 Huffy BMX trick bike that was parked in a school lot in the 700 block of Vernier.

Taken

On Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 12:30 p.m., two edge trimmers and a blower were taken from a landscape truck parked in front of a home in the 1400 block of Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park.

B & E

On Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 4:21 a.m., a Grosse Pointe Park resident reported a subject who had just broken into a business in the 15000 block of Mack had fled west on Mack.

The 22-year-old Detroit male suspect was arrested a short time later.

Long gone

Between 7:30 and 11:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 6, a 1996 Dodge Stratus was

taken from the driveway of a home in the 1300 block of Nottingham in Grosse Pointe Park.

Officers from the Harper Woods Police Department recovered the vehicle.

Cirrus stolen

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 10 p.m., a 1996 Chrysler Cirrus was removed from the driveway of a home in the 1300 block of Wayburn.

With assistance from the resident, Grosse Pointe Park police recovered the vehicle at 11:05 p.m. the same night.

Giving chase

On Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 4:04 a.m., Grosse Pointe Park police officers attempted to stop a dark colored Chrysler for speeding in the 1400 block of Lakepointe.

The vehicle struck the police car and was then pursued into Detroit. After a short chase, the car was stopped and the 17-year-old Detroit subject was arrested.

A second vehicle believed to be involved in the attempted theft was observed fleeing the area; officers attempted to stop this car which led them into Detroit.

The vehicle was recovered on Coplin.

Ram taken

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 2:40 p.m., Grosse Pointe Park police officers responded to a 2005 Dodge Ram truck taken from the street in front of a home in the 1300 block of Balfour.

The suspects left behind a 2000 Chrysler Concorde stolen from Southfield.

Car stolen

On Saturday, Sept. 10, at 10 p.m., a 1993 Chevrolet Lumina was taken from the rear driveway of a home in the 1200 block of Wayburn in Grosse Pointe Park.

Busted

On Thursday, Sept. 8, at 3:16 a.m., a vehicle was investigated in the 1100 block of Maryland by Grosse Pointe Park police officers.

A LEIN check revealed the vehicle was stolen out of Fraser.

The driver, a 36-year-old Detroit male, fled on foot from the car and was arrested at Alter and Kercheval.

Arrested

Grosse Pointe Park police officers investigating two subjects looking into back yards had just taken a bike from a garage in the 1300 block of Grayton.

A second suspect was riding a bike stolen from Pierce Middle School earlier in the day.

Both Detroit juveniles were arrested.

Caught

On Sunday, Sept. 11, at 12:19 a.m., Grosse Pointe Park police officers responded to a subject attempting to steal a bike in the 1300 block of Wayburn.

The 35-year-old Detroit male suspect also entered a vehicle and removed the radio. Officers caught the man and took him into custody.

In trouble

On Monday, Sept. 12, at 1:35 a.m., a 1999 Plymouth

Shores bears it

Every Grosse Pointe Shores patrol car is outfitted with a shotgun, rifle, radio, fire extinguisher and ... two teddy bears.

One wears a blue shirt. The other wears red. Boy and girl. They're kept in the trunk inside Zip-lock bags for cleanliness. No good officer would ever give a child a teddy bear with smudged brown fur.

Bears are used to help break the ice between shy children and public safety officers, also trained as paramedics. Its been about a year since Officer Tony Spina gave out a bear. "A child injured himself at home," Spina said.

A handful of officers were dispatched to the scene. The patient didn't require transport to a hospital but was nervous and apprehensive finding himself surrounded by a wall of blue-uniformed strangers.

"We offered him a teddy bear," Spina said.

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"While he was looking at the bear, that gave us a chance to evaluate him medically at the same time," Spina said.

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— Brad Lindberg

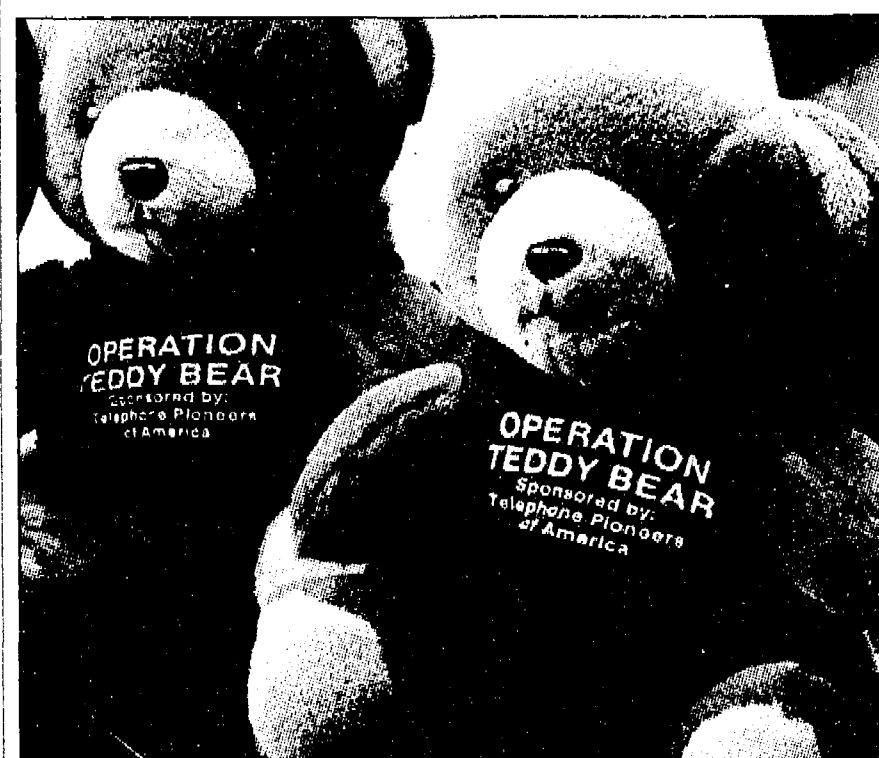



Photo by Brad Lindberg

Teddy bears help Grosse Pointe Shores officers calm frightened children.

Voyager parked near the intersection of Mack and it was stolen from Macomb County. The LEIN check revealed it was stolen from Macomb County. Grosse Pointe Park police officers.

— Bob St. John



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Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on September 23, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

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1996 Pontiac Grand Am 4dr	1G2NE52M5TC707882
1990 Dodge Dakota PU	1B7GL26X6LS683076
1992 Chevy Cavalier 4dr	1G1JC5447N7282909
1989 Dodge PU	1B7HE16Y2KS038196
1986 Buick Skylark 4dr	1G4JS69P9GK485136
1990 Toyota Celica 2dr	JT2ST87FXL0001226
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1993 Chevy Lumina 4dr	2G1WL54T1P1132081
1986 Olds 2dr	1G3GK47Y8GP394988
2001 Dodge Stratus 4dr	1B3EJ46X71N730041
1993 Cadillac Deville 4dr	1G6CD53B3P4213073
1988 Dodge Daytona 2dr	1B3CA44K4JG392732
1992 Dodge Caravan SW	2B4GH55RXNR649763
1986 Plymouth Voyager SW	2P4FH41G6GR762654
1989 Dodge 4dr	1B3BA46K8KF520275
1991 Mercury Topaz 4dr	2MEPM36X8MB608022
1992 Chrysler Imperial 4dr	1C3XV56L8ND734761
1996 Chevy Caprice 4dr	1G1BL52P2TR146657

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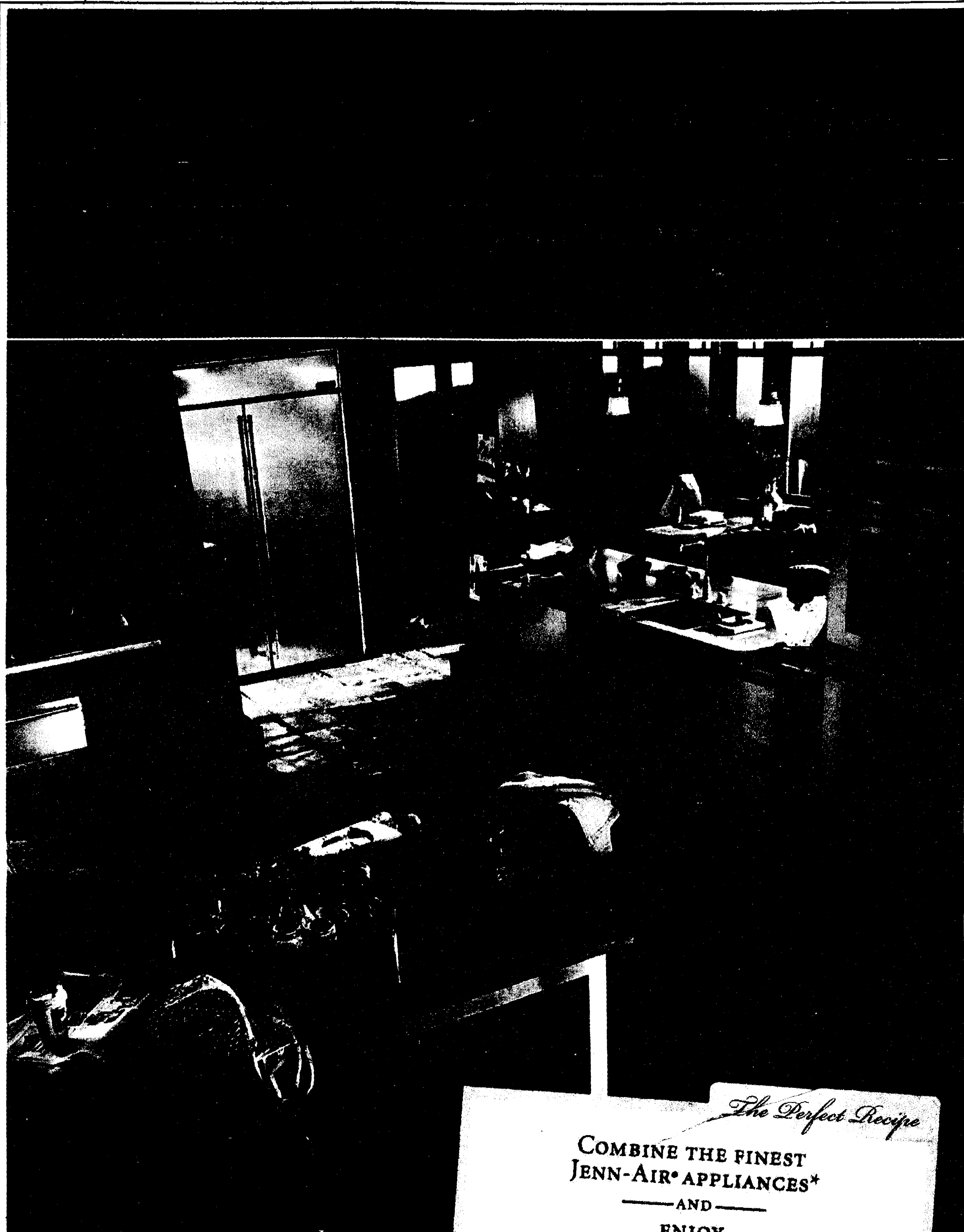
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Building a new perspective

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Prospecting for cultural rewards in the maze of galleries known as the Detroit Institute of Arts often involves turning right, left, left again then right, backtracking and forgetting your way.

One wonders if around the next corner there will be a piece of cheese.

To simplify traffic patterns while providing nearly 32,000 square feet of extra gallery space, the museum is more than halfway through a \$158.2 million renovation project.

When work ends in late 2007, the nearly 80-year-old building's most convenient component will be what Museum Director Graham Beal calls a spine.

The 16-foot-wide, second-floor hallway is being laid straight and true from one side of the museum to the other.

The corridor will serve both as gallery space and a link between the building's south and north wings, the result of expansions more than 40 years ago and known as bookends among current hardhat crews employed by 25 subcontractors.

Think of the spine as the DIA's internal Woodward Avenue.

"This will serve as a main circulation area," said Beal, sharing space within the uncompleted feature with piles of cinder blocks and metal wall studs. "Rather than directing people left, right, left, right, we'll be able to direct them to the spine until they see what they want. The DIA was a very confusing building."

"When the spine is completed, you will be able to walk all the way through Prentice Court in between the Great Hall and Rivera Court into the north wing," said Sandra Seim, project director fresh from completing the same function during a \$60 million expansion of Orchestra Hall.

"Previously, to get from the second floor to Rivera Court you had to go downstairs and come back up again because there was no straight connection," Beal said.

"You can have a spectacular building and an outstanding collection, but you also need a vision for how the building and collection can come together to best serve visitors," said Eugene Gargaro Jr., chairman of the DIA board of directors, vice president of Masco Corp. and resident of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Renovation bogged down in 2004 when asbestos turned up inside walls of the south wing. Abatement added about one year's work and \$40 million to the agenda.

"Renovation affects every aspect of the building," Beal said.

Underlying planning for 2007 is a focus on improving visitor experience.

"Our vision is to accomplish the following: visitors will feel welcome and comfortable on every level — physically, emotionally, socially and intellectually," Gargaro said. "They will be able to find their way around the museum more easily. Visitors will have an engaging and meaningful experience with art."

Portions of the building reopened last week after closing during August for a burst of construction.

"We accomplished a great deal of work in one month that would otherwise have taken far longer," Beal said.

As progress continues,



Photos by Brad Lindberg

Hard hats are the latest fashion at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Eugene Gargaro Jr., right, museum chairman and resident of Grosse Pointe Shores, tours part of the organization's \$158 million renovation and expansion project. Art is being reinstalled by theme rather than nationality or medium. Below, Englishman's Henry Moore's "Reclining Figure" seems to ponder "The Jewish Cemetery," a circa-1655 oil painting by Dutch artist Jacob Isaaksz van Ruysdael. Above left, American painter Reginald Marsh jazzes it up at in "Savoy Ballroom" in 1930, just as Pieter Bruegel the Elder, Flemish, did circa 1566 in "The Wedding Dance."

600 highlights of the museum's 60,000 total inventory are being presented temporarily in greatest hits fashion.

Suits of armor still line the Great Hall, but on walls above now hang paintings. Frederic Edwin Church's landscape of a South American volcano, "Cotopaxi," is back from a three-year world tour.

Other highlights in a handful of galleries offer intimate hints of what to expect in 2007 when DIA curators achieve the museum's latest evolution in presentation.

Six thousand pieces from the permanent collection are to be reinstalled for public view. Items will be grouped by theme or purpose, not in former categories such as nationality or medium such as painting, sculpture or decorative arts.

"It will still be about each culture, but it will be framed much more in terms of the reason for the objects existing," Beal said. "We may have a gallery called something like the lure of Italy. For visitors wanting to make the connection between ancient Roman art and 17th century Baroque painting, the connection will be immediate. We're trying to make as many connections as we can as well as have collections separated according to era."

Transformation is already in effect.

A series of galleries titled "Everyday Life" include one of the museum's most popular works, Frenchman William Bouguereau's 1882 oil painting, "The Nut Gatherers."

The image of two girls sitting barefoot under a tree hangs next to Dutchman's Vincent van Gogh's oil image of boaters enjoying a leisurely afternoon on the "Bank of the Oise at Auvers" near Paris, 1890.

Nearby hangs "Hard Ball III," a 1993 painting by American-born Robert Moskowitz, adds an American element to the cross-cultural array of activities occupying everyday life — in this case, a batter's eye view of a fast one high and inside.

Comparisons and contrasts continue wall-by-wall, gallery-by-gallery.

Pieter Bruegel the Elder's "The Wedding Dance," a circa-1566 work in which the Flemish artist tinted a frenetic nuptial celebration with political innuendo, hangs beside American Reginald Marsh's 1930 tempera rendering of the "Savoy Ballroom" in Harlem. Both images, despite being painted four centuries and thousands of miles apart, illustrate frenzied scenes in which celebrants nearly leap out of the frames.

Such layouts set visitors free to explore their own culture and others.

"We're trying to create the kind of environment that people can make their own connections and understand this is something they can engage with themselves," Beal said. "It will still all be about each culture, but it will be framed much more in terms of the reason for the objects existing."

"This vision is a key factor in fulfilling the DIA mission, which is to serve the public through the collection, conservation, exhibition and interpretation of the arts of a broad range of cultures and to expand the understanding of our collection for the enjoyment of the widest possible audience," Gargaro said. "Once people are able to come here and experience it, they'll be our best marketing department."

In the meantime, the museum's biggest special exhibition of the year is scheduled to open Sunday, Oct. 9.

"Camille Claudel and Rodin: Fateful Encounter," relates the passion and pain of the sculptors' often dysfunctional 15-year affair and the love they carved in stone.

"It's a great story," Beal said. "We're happy to be the only U.S. venue for the exhibition. This is a wonderfully balanced appraisal of the effect these two artists had on one another. There's a nuanced sense of what their relationship was."

Back to the corridor. Beal calls it a spine. But the hallway has less to do anatomically with the structural role of a backbone than the circulative aspect of a main artery.

Who's to argue? Beal has overseen five museum renovations and expansions during an international career spawned from boyhood train rides with his father from their home in Bexhill-on-Sea, England to London.

"My father, a journeyman electrician, had an illness from World War II," Beal said. "He used to go to London to see a specialist. Either I or my sister would go with him. Because the National Gallery of Art and the Tate Gallery were free, we went in. It was like they were ours. It was completely relaxed. It wasn't something imposed upon us."

Unforced yet influential, something Beal wants to share.

"My sister is a professor of art," Beal said. "And I'm here. My personal experience was a luxury. I want to do everything I can to make sure we enable that kind of relaxed and natural individual engagement here at the Detroit Institute of Arts."



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DIA

Churches

Grace parishioners adopting hurricane families

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Melanie Mebus hurriedly baked a batch of oatmeal raisin cookies at the request of her friend and neighbor Martha Cimmarrusti.

Mebus also baked a batch of chocolate chip cookies for Cimmarrusti and the crew of Boat 14.

Cimmarrusti and seven of her fellow parishioners from Grace Community Church in Detroit would get hungry during their 24-hour trip on

the mission dubbed Boat 14 heading to the hurricane ravaged area of Baton Rouge, La. (Boat 14 was the only Titanic lifeboat which went back to pick up survivors.) Grace Church members were heading south to pick up survivors of Hurricane Katrina, one of the most destructive storms in United States history.

The Grace Church caravan left at noon Tuesday, Sept. 6, with a 15 passenger van, a motor home and trailer,

packed with water, food, bedding and toys. Cimmarrusti was joined by Marsha Fenner, John Helpin, Keith Crawford, Doug Kempton, Paul Sorce, Dave Babcock and Luke Elliott. The group would search for two families who would like to come back to Michigan.

With no organization or sister church to work with, the group was going on faith. Grace Church is not alone in its trek to help

where it can.

"It's happening all over the United States," said Pastor Bryan Hochhalter. Since his small group has left, he said he has heard of other churches doing the same thing.

Images of people sitting by the side of the road after unsuccessfully trying to get help first at the Superdome, followed by the convention center site and then hearing promises of busing had been affecting the church mem-

A new home

A New Orleans family consisting of six adults and seven children, including a newborn, are now making their home in Detroit.

Two furnished homes were waiting for them when they arrived on Friday, Sept. 9.

"Ten new beds are being delivered today," Pastor Bryan Hochhalter said on Friday.

Members of Boat 14 from Grace Community Church talked to a number of families and gave them food, water and toys and made a connection with the family members which range from a grandmother to children from the newborn to a 14-year-old.

Hochhalter said they went around the system and talked to people. A family with children was chosen because "the greatest need is for the children."

The church is accepting donations of Eastland Mall gift cards for essentials and Kroger gift cards for perishable food items. The family also needs diapers for the newborn and in size 3.

Pastor's Corner

By the Rev. John Corrado
Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church

Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage

By now most of you are probably overwhelmed by hearing, reading, talking about, feeling moved by Hurricane Katrina and the destruction, devastation and death it has caused. I won't even try to catalog the multitude of emotions it has evoked. Certainly horror, sadness and sympathy are among them. Outrage is, I suspect, the most common shared emotion for the way the various government agencies responded to the crisis.

If you are like my wife and me, your check was in the mail days ago, and you are calling upon groups of which you are a member to contribute. While you simmer at the shortsightedness, stupidity and cupidity of a government which did such a poor job of protecting and aiding its most vulnerable citizens, you know in your head, if not your heart, there will be plenty of time for

accountability. For now, rescue and rehabilitation must be the primary concern. Our brothers and sisters are suffering horrors unimaginable to most of us, and we must help them. Have I got it right so far?

So what can I add that you don't know or won't read elsewhere? Let me risk a few ideas.

1. *Your children.* Your children (or grandchildren, or extended family children) probably have feelings, fantasies and fears about what has happened. Listen to them. Talk to them. Be honest with them. Above all, love them and let them know you do. And teach and empower them. We are not born generous. It is a learned behavior. Model generosity and encourage your children to give something to help the relief effort.

2. *Classism/poverty/racism.* I'm not a person who sees a racist behind either every bush — or Bush. I don't for a minute believe that governmental rescue efforts would have been better if the dam had broken in Gad, W.Va., or if the Salinas Valley had been

devastated by an earthquake. I do believe that under the veneer of prosperity in this country lives a second nation of poor and disempowered people, and that a disproportionate number of them are black. Essayist Richard Rodriguez makes the point that the third world exists not only in Africa and other parts of the globe, but America, too. Turn on the television if you doubt Rodriguez.

So how do we bring to life these bywords? "Inasmuch as you have done it to the least of these my brothers, you have done it unto me." (Jesus) "We should do for ourselves collectively through our government things the market system does not do at all or as well." (Lincoln) "Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." (1 Corinthians 4:2) — a passage President Bush is fond of quoting.

3. *Detroit.* It's no stretch to say that Detroit is New Orleans waiting to happen. Certainly people who call themselves religious must do something about Detroit. Pick your category: poverty, housing, public transporta-

tion, schools. The list goes on. There are opportunities to help (with money, labor, influence) all over the place. Every stubborn ounce counts.

4. *Personal sacrifices.* What are you willing to do, willing to give up, not only to help now, but in the future?

Have you any real interest in the environment, or are you, for example, happy to be one of the many lone persons driving an SUV clogging the streets, polluting the air, guzzling the gas? Even in the wake of Katrina, vote-seeking politicians will talk of tax cuts. Will that get your vote?

5. *Prayer.* My list could go on, but I'll end it on a more pastoral note — but with no cheap grace. If you pray, add this theme to your list: the vision, the wisdom, the courage to do what you can for the common good. One function of prayer — outside thanksgiving maybe the best function of prayer — is to change the one who prays.

I pray with Harry Emerson Fosdick, "Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days."

bers. Something had to be done, and it began with collecting money. Yet, that didn't seem to be enough, he said.

Church leaders met over the holiday weekend and came up with a plan to house two families for up to four months. The church is seeking rental property, preferably at a discount rate. The families will be provided with food, clothing and utilities.

"It's small," Hochhalter said of the efforts to help a few. "If every church took a

small piece, something could be done."

All who went are leaders and volunteers in the church located on Moross and I-94, Hochhalter said. These church members are also endowed with special skills, including a police officer and a doctor, and faith.

Hochhalter emphasized it's a risk taking in unknown people; yet he remains optimistic. "It's a faith thing."

When the group returned, homemade oatmeal cookies will be waiting for the weary travelers.



Photo courtesy Melanie Mebus

Members of Grace Church of Detroit before heading to Baton Rouge, La., to pick up a family displaced by Hurricane Katrina. Those who took the 24-hour trip were John Helpin, Keith Crawford, Doug Kempton, Martha Cimmarrusti, Marsha Fenner, Paul Sorce, Dave Babcock and Luke Elliott.

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Cottage's annual kitchen tour goes to front burner

Kitchens of all kinds will be featured in Cottage Hospital Auxiliary's annual kitchen tour. The benefit for Cottage Hospital will run from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

A preview party from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, offers a strolling supper and a chance to talk with designers and owners of the kitchens. Proceeds benefit rehabilitation services at Cottage Hospital in Grosse Pointe Farms, part of Bon Secours Cottage Health Services.

Planners of the tour want to remind tour-goers that seeing someone else's kitchen offers tips and ideas that they can use in their own kitchens.

This year's tour includes eight homes scattered throughout the Grosse Pointes, all showcasing the best of local designers and contractors and the latest in appliances, cabinetry and countertops.

Two Grosse Pointe Farms kitchens are included this year: one is the original Tonnancour House, built in 1914. Owners have incorporated bits of the house's history into its current design.

The other Farms home has recently been renovated, resulting in new dining and family rooms, pantry and wet bar. The new French-style decor features a farmhouse sink, hand-molded custom tile, granite countertops and muted yellow cabinets.

A kitchen in Grosse Pointe Park was redesigned after the 1920 English Tudor's pipes froze and burst while its owners were out of town. The new kitchen boasts cherry cabinets, a natural cork floor, granite countertops, a 40-by-80-inch island and the latest appliances.

Another Grosse Pointe Park kitchen is bigger and better because the owners added a two-story addition to their center-entrance Colonial. The new kitchen has a larger eating area, a

redesigned back entrance and a new mud room.

A bungalow in Grosse Pointe Woods proves that a kitchen doesn't have to be big to be good. The kitchen was designed for a couple who cook together and includes ample stove top and oven space, a new refrigerator and drawer dishwasher and an interesting method for incorporating electrical switches into the tile.

Three more Grosse Pointe Woods kitchens serve as models of cozy window-corner eating areas and ingenious placement of wet bars, wine coolers and mini-refrigerators.

A Mediterranean-style home in the Woods has a kitchen with a fireplace, oven hood, warming drawer, wet bar and great storage areas.

The preview tour includes a strolling supper with hors d'oeuvres, entrees and desserts served at the homes.

Chairman of the tour is Grosse Pointer **Melissa Maghielse**. House captains and co-captains are **Margie Lillian Kachadourian**, **Pat Kurtz**, **Dorothy Davis**, **Catherine Lang**, **Nancy Lepley**, **Ann Crocker**, **Mary Matta**, **Mary Nolan**, **Renee Hughes** and **Edith Petrosky**.

Preview food providers are **Harriett Hogan**, **Elsie Onychuk**, **Nancy Neat**, **Mary Paone** and **DeeJay Whittam**. The stylist was **Peg Noble**. Ticket and financial chairmen are **Shirley Giller**, **Marilyn Ricard** and **Marie Mainwaring**. Mailing was supervised by **Anne Gies**. Publicity assistants were **Jan Duster** and **Karin Spencer**. Letters were by **Roberta Lady Joyce Mueller** and **Marlene Cooper** handled phone information. Fliers and banners were by **Mary and Virgil Matta**. The master helper was **Joan Curto**.

General admission tickets are \$18 in advance; \$20 on the day of the tour. Tickets will be available on tour day at two of the homes: 876 Pemberton in Grosse Pointe Park and 703 Lochmoor in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tickets to the preview party are \$35 for patrons; \$50 for benefactors. They are limited and must be purchased in advance.

Advance tickets are on sale at the Cottage Hospital Gift Shop, 159 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Farms and at Pointe Pedlar, 88 Kercheval on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Preview tickets are available only at the hospital Gift Shop or by mail. Call (313) 882-7570 or (313) 881-7415.

Dossin: The Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority and the Detroit Historical Society will host a fundraiser for the Dossin Great Lakes Museum from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, at the museum, 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle.

The event will feature a silent auction, a strolling dinner, live jazz from the Marvin Thompson Jr. ensemble, complimentary valet parking and a chance to explore the museum's current exhibits.

"Once again, the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority is proud to partner with the Detroit Historical Museums and Society to host this annual event intended to preserve the Great Lakes' maritime history," said Curtis Hertel, the DWCPA's executive director. "This year's gala should be an exciting event, as we invite the metropolitan Detroit community to join us in a celebration of our maritime history. Support of this event and of the museum, is an opportunity to keep our history alive for future generations."

Honorary chairpersons

for the gala are U.S. Sen. **Carl Levin** and U.S. Rep. **Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick**, along with **Douglas and Diane Dossin** and **Matthew Moroun** of Ambassador Port Company.

The Dossin Great Lakes Museum is dedicated to preserving and presenting the rich legacy of the Great Lakes. The purpose of the gala is to raise funds to support the Dossin Great Lakes Museum's exhibits and educational programs and increase public awareness of the museum.

Tickets to the gala are \$150 per person, and dressy attire is recommended. For more information and to purchase tickets, call **Cheryl Solomon** at (313) 331-3842, ext. 310.

The museum is open to the public Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$2.50 for seniors and children 5-18, and free for children 4 and younger. During the week, the Museum is open for group tours by advance reservation.

Auction: Champions for Life will present "All Stars for Cancer" from 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Comerica Park. The special fundraiser will benefit children at Meade Pediatric Hematology Oncology Center at the Van Elslander Cancer Center in St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

The Meade Center serves children from birth to age 21 with a multi-disciplinary approach to the diagnosis and treatment of childhood cancer.

The benefit will include an auction with items that include jewelry, weekend trips, yacht charters and tickets to a performance by the **Rockettes at the Fox Theatre**.

Paws, the Detroit Tigers' mascot will attend. An all-American bases-loaded menu, a cash bar, a speed



One of the kitchens on Cottage Hospital Auxiliary's annual Kitchen Tour features a wet bar with sink and refrigerator and cabinets with glass fronts.



The original Tonnancour House in Grosse Pointe Farms was built in 1914. Its new kitchen features maple cabinets, a wood floor and plenty of natural light streaming in from large windows.

radar baseball game, a caricature artist and musical entertainment are also on deck.

The Champions for Life, sponsors for the "All Stars for Cancer" event, are good-will ambassadors dedicated to increasing awareness of the Van Elslander Cancer Center through fundraising events.

Chairmen are **Kris and Jim Meadagh** of Grosse Pointe Farms and **Connie and John Ahee** of Grosse

Pointe Shores.

Committee members include **Sarah Clarkson**, **Diane and Michael Curis**, **Donna Handley**, **Dave Putrycus**, **Mary Beth Ryan**, **Dianna and Michael Santeufemia**, **Keith Schalk** and **Debra Van Elslander**.

Tickets to "All Stars for Cancer" are \$100 each. For more information, call (313) 343-7483.

— Margie Reins Smith

AAUW holds 43rd annual Used Book Sale

The American Association of University Women's 43rd annual Used Book Sale will be Wednesday through Saturday, Sept. 21-24, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack.

In addition to the usual assortment of books, the sale will include audiotapes, videos, sheet music, children's books, cookbooks, older classics, series books such as *Nancy Drew* and the *Hardy Boys*, mysteries, old fiction, new fiction, crafts, photography, and books about the Civil War, Michigan, World War I and World War II, aircraft and more.

A silent auction of special books and a chance to have your special books appraised are two new features of the four-day fundraiser for the AAUW. Auction items include posters, a five-volume Michigan Centennial history and a library of books written in German.

John King, book appraiser, will be available from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept.



Organizers of the Used Book Sale, from left, are Doris Cook; Marcia Wilson, co-chairman of the book sale; Sally Vogel, Pat Pokorny and Mary Ann Lawlis. Not shown are committee members Barbara Stillings and Connie Frey.

22. Appraisals are \$4 per book or set, limited to five books or sets.

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Smiths celebrate 70th wedding anniversary

Helen M. and Robert W. Smith of St. Petersburg, Fla., celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on July 29, 2005. The Smiths are former residents of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Helen, 94, enjoys reading, birding and tending her flowers.

Robert, 98, was president and chairman of the board of the Union Mortgage Co. for more than 30 years. He enjoys reading, watching TV, playing games on his computer and staying in touch with old friends.

The Smiths retired to Florida in 1992 to be near their daughter, Sally Bedrosian.



Helen M. and Robert W. Smith

'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum' opens Grosse Pointe Theatre's season

Grosse Pointe Theatre opens its 58th season with a classic comedy from ancient Rome. "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" opens with a matinee on Sunday, Sept. 18, and Wednesday through Sunday, Sept. 21-25, and Thursday through Saturday, Sept. 29 — Oct. 1. Matinee performances are at 2 p.m. and evening performances are at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free parking is available.

"A Funny Thing" is a light, fast-paced, witty, irreverent farce. The musical takes comedy back to its roots, combining situations from time-tested, 2000-year-old comedies of Roman playwright Plautus with the infectious energy of classic 20th century vaudeville.

The result is a nonstop laughfest in which a crafty slave (Pseudolus) struggles to win the hand of a beautiful but slow-witted courtesan (Philia) for his young master (Hero), in exchange for freedom.

Grosse Pointe Theatre first produced this show 32 years ago, in September 1972.

With music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and book by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gilbert, audiences can be assured of fast, clever dialogue and memorable songs.

The play was an early success for Stephen Sondheim and his first real opportunity to write both music and lyrics for the Broadway stage.

Forum opened on Broadway May 8, 1962, and ran for 964 performances. It was made into a movie in 1966, starring Zero Mostel, Phil Silvers, Buster Keaton and Jack Gilford. It also,

introduced current Broadway star Michael Crawford as the young hero, Hero.

The show opens and closes with the memorable "Tragedy tomorrow, comedy tonight!" An audience sing-along is encouraged for the closing strains of one of Grosse Pointe Theatre's funniest shows.

Grosse Pointers — Donna DiSante as Domina, Peter Walilko as Hysterium, and Mike Evans as Erroneous — lead a cast of 17.

Senex is played by Manus Nemeth of Warren; Philia is played by Lindsey Tycholiz of Sterling Heights, and her hero, Hero, is played by Jeff Weiner of Troy.

Mitch Master of Bloomfield Hills plays Pseudolus, and Chris Wilcox of Clinton Township plays Miles Gloriosus who "takes big steps." Jerry Haines of Berkeley plays Marcus Lycus.

Lacomb Township resident Don Bischoff (Gluteus Maximus) and Grosse Pointer Stephen Repicky (Pectoralis Major) play two Proteans.

The luscious courtesans are played by Grosse Pointers Danielle Caralis and Alexa Caralis, as well as Leanna Sullivan and Rebecca Reid of Royal Oak, Angie Blanchard of Center Line and Elise Hodzen of Sterling Heights.

"Forum" is directed by Sharlan Douglas of Royal Oak and produced by Caren



Donna DiSante (as Domina) has finally found her Hysterium, played by Peter Walilko.

Bayer of Grosse Pointe Park and Ferndale resident Jeannine Simpson.

Stage manager is Arlene Marie Schoenherr of St. Clair Shores, and technical director is Kevin McGinness of Harper Woods.

Grosse Pointe Theatre productions are staged in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at 32 Lake Shore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A dinner buffet is available prior to most evening performances, hosted by the

Grosse Pointe War Memorial. There is a separate charge for the buffet, and reservations are required. Call the War Memorial at (313) 881-7511.

Tickets for "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" are \$20 each and can be purchased by calling the Ticket Hotline at (313) 881-4004.

Groups of 20 or more receive a discount, and special student tickets, if available, can be purchased at the door for \$10.

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Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Antiques and Art Show was success

By Diane Morelli
Staff Writer

Hundreds of important antiques and museum pieces, priced within reach, were found at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Antiques and Art Show held Sept. 9 through Sept. 11. A Gala Preview benefit for the War Memorial was held Sept. 8 with what was called an appropriate turnout.

Some treasures discovered at the show were English, American and Continental furniture, 17th- and 18th-century silver, brass, pewter, glass pieces, oil paintings and watercolors.

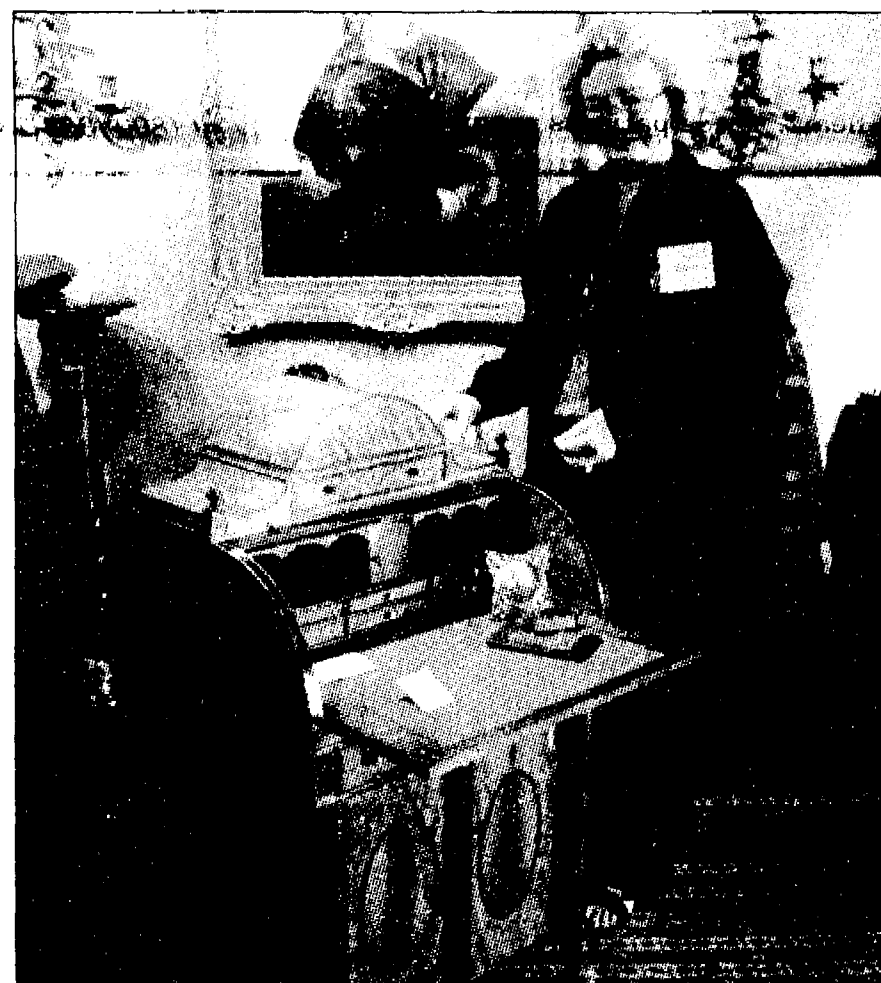
An exceptional group of knowledgeable dealers, ready to share their expertise, were handpicked by Karl Gedge, show producer known in the Chicago area for having organized the annual Lake Forest Academy Antiques Show for nearly 20 years. He is also the founder of Chicago's Three Arts Club Antiques Show.

All the antiques dealers I talked to couldn't single out one special, high-investment antique they were showing. All claimed with endearment that all their pieces were special. That said, each, with a gleam in their eye, began to slowly gravitate to a favorite piece or two to showcase.

Antiques dealer Anthony Scornavacco of Gem Lake, Minn. showed me an Italian inlaid chest, c. 1790, priced at \$16,000. He said "a lot of people feel strongly about it." On top of the chest sat a pair of Chinese export plat- ters, Ynung Cheng, c. 1780, "The arms of 'Bootle," priced at \$15,000; and a pair of porcelain urns, France, "Old Paris" porcelain, c. 1840, mounted as lamps for \$3,200.

Crescent Worth Antiques of Lake Forrest, Ill., offered a Charles II needlework casket, c. 1652, 14 1/2- by 10 1/4- by 12 3/4 inches, with 18th-century glass display cover for \$22,000. The dealer said this museum piece had gotten a lot of attention. He also has an English porters hall chair with canopy, 30 inches deep by 33 inches wide by 68 inches tall, c. 1800, for \$8,500.

Bim Byers of American



Suzanne Sarvari of Crofoot Antiques of Lakeville, Ind., offered a George III sathwood tambour desk, c. 1795, for \$16,000.

Eagle Antiques of Harrison Township offered a George II walnut wingback chair, c. 1730, for \$5,250; and a George III sofa, c. 1800, Provenance Sotheby's, for \$6,500.

Gallery Estampe of Paris, France, offered large original posters, some more than 100 years old. These rich, colorful works of art were said to be fun to decorate with. Prices ranged in the hundreds to more than a thousand dollars.

Suzanne Sarvari of Crofoot Antiques of Lakeville, Ind., showed me a gorgeous George III satin-

wood tambour desk with fine inlay, ivory and brass accents, pull out with three finished and false drawers, pigeonholes, inverted two-door cupboard, on ring turned loop and casters, made in England, c. 1795, for \$16,000.

Those who attended the show seemed happy and at great ease among these spectacular pieces, commenting how spacious and uncrowded the facility was.

The buyers had three days to decide on their purchases, if they took the chance a piece would not be sold.

Detroit Historical Museum needs more adult volunteers

Adult volunteers are needed at the Detroit Historical Museums and Society to assist with their more than 300,000 annual visitors.

If you have an interest in Detroit and its history, the desire to share the city's story with others and are available during the week or on weekends, the Detroit Historical Museums and Society are looking for you.

There are a variety of opportunities designed to accommodate busy lifestyles

and scheduling possibilities. Opportunities include museum guides and docents as well as assisting with special events.

More information is available at www.detroithistorical.org or by calling (313) 833-4727 or e-mailing a request to dhmsvolunteers@hist.ci.detroit.mi.us.

The next adult volunteer orientation is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Detroit Historical Museum.

Portable heart defibrillators
have been proven to save lives

By Steven Sandubrae, D.O., FACEP
Special Writer

Every year, more than 350,000 Americans experience cardiac arrest. Only a small percent survive, either because help came too late or the



Steven Sandubrae, D.O.

is a small life-saving device that can monitor a person's heart rhythm and determine whether that person is in ventricular fibrillation, also known as sudden cardiac arrest. A person in this state has an electrical malfunction of the heart and is essentially dead.

Persons in ventricular fibrillation require more than cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to survive. In this situation, the AED device will deliver the amount of electric shock needed to restore the patient's heart rhythm.

Victims of cardiac arrest can suffer irreversible brain damage if CPR isn't started within just a few minutes after the heart stops.

The process of CPR restores oxygen to the brain and buys the patient precious time for trained medical personnel to arrive.

But CPR alone will not revive as many as 95 percent of all victims of sudden cardiac arrest. The majority of these individuals need a specially calibrated shock to regulate their heart rhythm.

When an individual suffers a heart attack (blockage in a coronary artery) use of an AED alone will not restart the heart. These patients require specific

medications, breathing support and, sometimes, defibrillation.

First responder ABCs

If you are present when someone stops breathing or appears to have suffered cardiac arrest, immediately call 911 to get help on the way. Ask any onlookers if there is a medical professional or someone who has been trained to perform CPR. If not, you can perform the basic ABCs to evaluate the victim.

Airway — Open the victim's mouth and remove any foreign body obstructing the airway.

Breathing — Determine if the victim is breathing.

Circulation — Check the victim for a pulse.

If the airway is not blocked and there is no breathing or pulse, then begin CPR. If you are in a public facility, send someone to look for a portable defibrillator. Meanwhile, continue CPR until emergency medical help arrives.

Facilities that have an AED likely will have several employees present at all times who are trained to operate the device. Almost anyone can learn to use an AED after only a few hours of training.

These computerized devices prompt the user to connect electrodes from the unit to the victim's chest. The unit then analyzes the victim's heart rhythm and determines whether or not a shock is needed.

The AED then will tell the user to press a button to deliver the shock or to stand back as the shock is automatically delivered.

If the patient doesn't require a shock, the unit will inform the user to check for a pulse and perform CPR.

Remember, in any life-threatening medical emergency, a call to 911 should always be made after the patient's airway, breathing and pulse have been checked.

With heart attack and sudden cardiac arrest, each minute without a pulse can reduce a patient's chances of survival.

Dr. Sandubrae is medical director of the Bon Secours Cottage Emergency Department. For an appointment, call Bon Secours Cottage Physician Referral at (800) 303-7315.

Get fit with BSC's 10K-A-Day

Do you want a healthier, more active lifestyle? Embark on a walking program, 10K-A-Day with Bon Secours Cottage Health Services.

The four-week program begins on Saturday, Sept. 24, and continues through Saturday, Oct. 22. Participants meet from 9 to 10 a.m. at Veteran's Memorial Park, Jefferson on Masonic, in St. Clair Shores.

10K-a-day is a simple and inspirational way to boost your physical activity daily, no matter how busy you are. Get all the tips, inspiration and support you need to plan and track your walking habits, while making more steps a permanent part of

your healthy habits. "Walking is an activity that most people can participate in rather easily," said Peggy Kurza, coordinator, Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion. "Regular, brisk walking has been found to lower the risk of heart attack, stroke and diabetes."

Instructors "walk" participants through the program, which allows each participant to walk at his or her

own pace. Group meetings involve recording weekly steps and gaining the advice of fitness specialists.

The \$49 registration fee includes a 10K-A-Day T-shirt.

The program is co-sponsored by the St. Clair Shores Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, call Bon Secours Cottage Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

War Memorial presents
'Yoga Moment' Sept. 18

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will join others throughout the nation in a "Yoga Moment" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18. People all over the nation will do vrikshasana (tree pose) for 1 1/2 minutes on each side, in celebration of B.K.S. Iyengar's visit to the United States and the release of his book, "Light on Life."

Justina Theokas, Iyengar yoga teacher at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, will lead those who participate in the tree pose on the lake-side lawn of the War

Memorial. She will be available from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. to do other poses and to talk about Iyengar yoga.

Participants should bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing. If the weather is inclement, the event will be held inside.

B.K.S. Iyengar has been called the Michelangelo of yoga and was named by Time magazine in 2004 as one of the 100 most influential people of the world.

The community is invited to participate and observe.

SafeSitter class

Bon Secours Cottage Health Services offers two-day SafeSitter courses for 11- to 13-year-olds.

SafeSitter is a medically accurate instructional program designed for adolescents. The two-day class covers babysitting as a job, how to be a successful sitter.

For more information, call (586) 779-7900 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Know Your Skin
by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



The return to school and indoors as summer comes to an end can precipitate more contact between people and an increase in certain infections. One such condition is scabies, characterized by a rash that itches intensely at night, located anywhere below the face. Scabies is a highly contagious skin disease spread by skin to skin contact. Caused by a mite too small to see with the naked eye, scabies can occur anywhere on the skin. It affects men, women and children of all ages, with the most common areas of infection being the hand, breasts, armpits, genital area and waistline.

Untreated, rashes may become raw and bleed due to aggressive scratching. Because rashes

can indicate other skin conditions, such as dermatitis, it is important that patients who suspect a scabies infection see their physician or dermatologist to confirm the diagnosis.

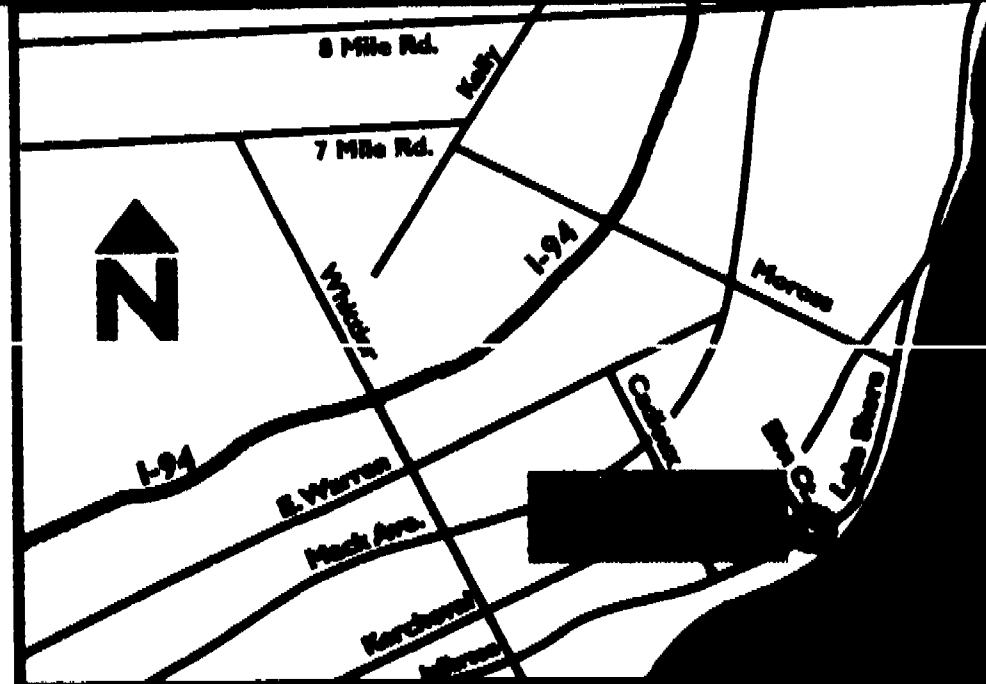
Fortunately, there are safe and effective treatments that will eliminate scabies and relieve the itching. In many circumstances, all members of the family will need to be treated along with the infected patient.

To learn more scabies and its treatment, contact your dermatologist, or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates. Eastside Dermatology has offices in New Baltimore and Grosse Pointe. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380 or (586) 716-1291.

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Medicare prescription drug information is pending

In a column last April I expressed concern that the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill would become effective

in less than nine months. When would we seniors get the details, including the complicated signing

arrangements?

Well, the floodgates have opened; watch out or you'll drown.

I'm already confused. An Associated Press report quotes a July 2004 report by the Congressional Budget Office. The report compares an individual who doesn't have the new drug benefit and has \$1,257 in drug costs, to the person who has the new benefit and will pay \$792, excluding premiums, for these same drugs. That, says the CBO, adds up to 37 percent less, under the new benefit.

However, if you add in the costs of premiums, the figures are different. Premiums under the new drug benefit are estimated to range from \$20 to \$32 a

month.

If the premium is \$20 a month, the person with the new benefit will now pay \$1,032, for a saving of \$243. If the premium is \$32 a month, the individual's drug costs rise to \$1,176, only \$82 less than the person without the new benefit and doesn't pay premiums.

The reporter's account may have gotten a bit confused, as he did on the figure of \$400 billion he cited as the total costs of the program over 10 years. That was the figure given to Congress before it passed the bill. A few months later, Congress was told total costs would be \$550 billion. Last year, a Social Security trustee reported the program will cost \$720 billion

Senior Scene

By
Ruth
Cain



because of a changed time frame used in calculations.

Insurers selected by the government to handle the program are salivating. No wonder. An investment firm estimated in July that the program will generate as much as \$10 billion in revenue and \$250 million in earnings next year for the

nine large insurers.

That's why insurers are spending far in excess of \$250 million to gear up marketing campaigns and to prepare for the formal rollouts of their programs.

Insurers will be responsible for billing beneficiaries for monthly premiums, receiving bills from pharmaceutical companies for drugs used by beneficiaries, and paying them. What copays and deductible may cost has not yet been revealed.

What is government's role, other than laying down the basic rules guiding insurers?

There's another new element to the program — health savings accounts. There are both pros and cons about this. I'll keep you posted.

Each day we learn more about the horrible personal and financial costs of Katrina. We also learn about the overwhelming generosity of the American people, both in giving money and taking in and caring for victims who are completely dependent on the kindness of strangers.

Other countries have been touched by the plight of these people and what the United States' monumental cleanup and extensive reconstruction will cost. Many have pledged money, materials and services. Even Mexico has donated its soldiers to the United States.

But government bureaucracy doesn't always help. The Swedish Rescue Services Agency had a transport plane ready to lift supplies — including a water purification system — to the stricken areas within three days of the hurricane's strike. It also offered blankets and mobile network equipment. At the time of this writing they have waited four days for instructions from the U.S. government.

The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation has waited days for a response to their aid offer which includes supplies still waiting in a warehouse in Bern.

Poland, Austria and Norway say they haven't heard back on their offers; and countries outside Europe said they were also waiting for replies.

Then there is poor little Cuba. I use the word "poor" literally. It is too poor to send money and supplies, but it offered something that is equally critical to our efforts, especially if terrible medical emergencies arise. It offered to send 1,000 doctors.

Most U.S. doctors, except perhaps those in Florida, agree that Cuban doctors are well trained and badly needed if only to spell doctors who have been working around the clock.

Cuba's offer was turned down. Apparently it is more important for our government to maintain its vendetta and punish that small country than to acknowledge the importance of its offer for our needs and accept that offer.

Comments and questions for Cain can be directed to ruthcain@comcast.net.

Scotland week

Services for Older Citizens will devote the week of Sept. 19-23 to activities and discussion about Scotland. On Monday, Peg Dunlap will discuss crests, plaids, tartans and genealogy. On Tuesday, a movie, "Mrs. Brown," starts at noon. On Wednesday, Randol Cain will discuss "Personal Recollections." On Thursday, the group will go to Mac Phees. Departure time is 10:50 a.m. On Friday, there will be a travelogue on Scotland.

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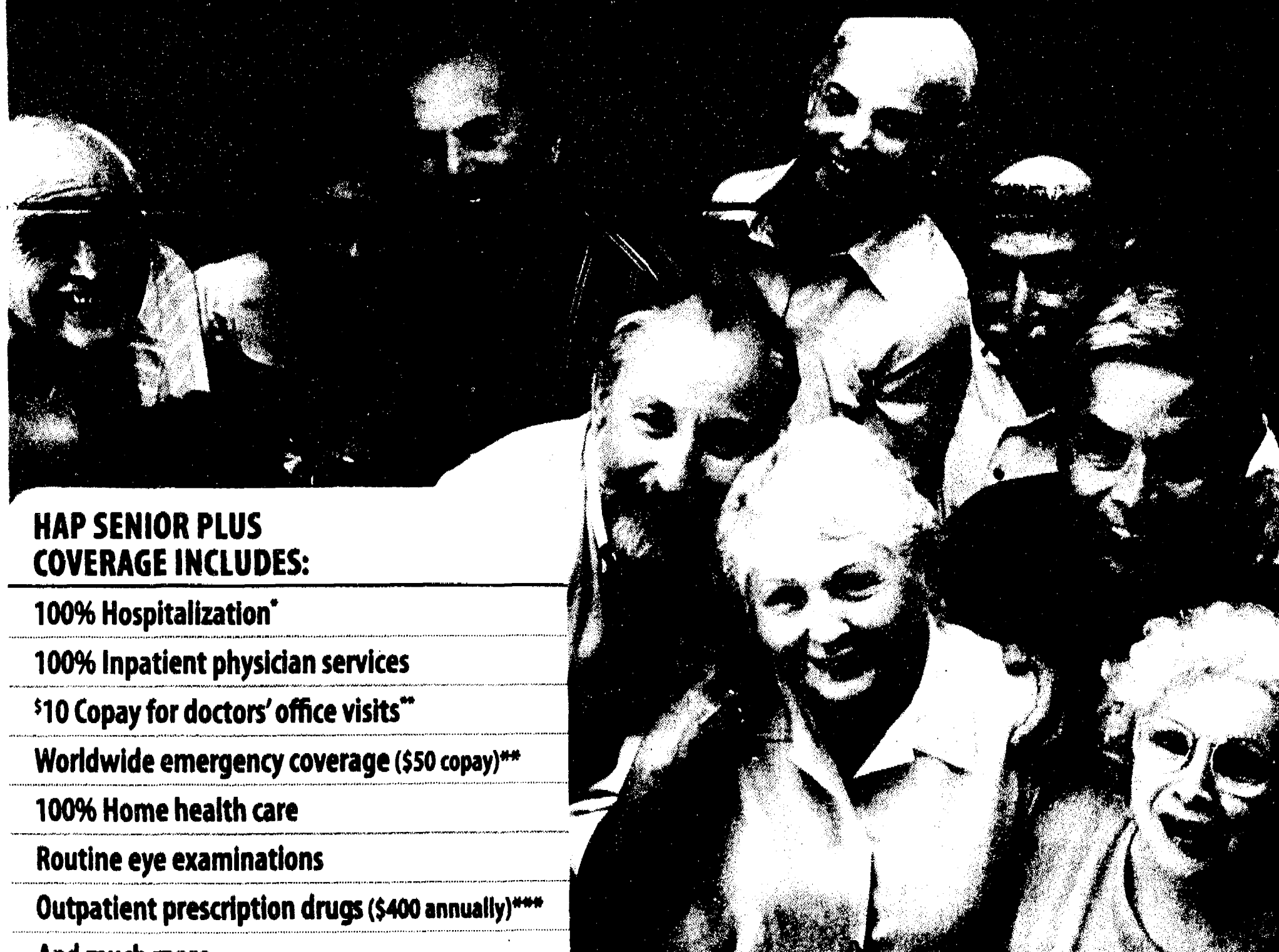
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Stratford's 'The Lark' is powerful Joan of Arc story

An inspiring new incarnation of France's great heroine, Joan of Arc, is on the Stratford Festival stage this summer. In Anouilh's 20th century version of the story, "The Lark," Amanda Plummer presents a powerfully credible Maid of Orleans who combines youthful innocence, feminine tenderness, sophisticated guile and indomitable masculine determination in her mission to drive invaders from her homeland.

Reminders of the actor's famous father, Christopher Plummer, are inevitable. Her arresting facial features, the assurance of her movement on stage and the expressive range of her delivery recall great roles (Hamlet, Marc Antony and Cyrano, for example) that he played at Stratford decades ago.

Above all, she radiates the same energy and conviction. They make her presentation of the divinely inspired savior of medieval France the truly exciting and moving figure that Joan of Arc must have been. They are qualities that surely contributed as well to her recent award-winning performance in "Agnes of God" on Broadway.

This is more than a retelling of the Joan of Arc story, however. Writing just after World War II, the playwright, the French people and writer Lillian

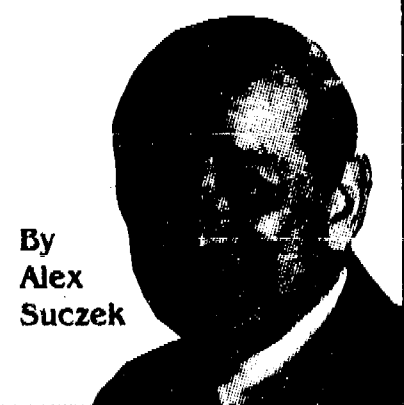
Hellman, who adapted the script for the 1955 New York production, could find parallels in this 15th century epic with the issues of collaboration, the need for a new national savior and revival of national pride, and the rejection and betrayal of a spontaneous leader who bucks the system.

To help us understand the play in this context, director Michael Lindsay-Hogg set it in the 1944 period of the Nazi occupation of France. It is a telling device illuminating issues that recur throughout human history but were top of mind at the time. There are examples in our own politics, today.

As Warwick, a leader of the conquering invader, Graham Abbey alternates between sinister advocate of Joan's execution and crafty politician. Abbey's characterization is made doubly effective by affecting an injured leg which requires him to limp grotesquely across the stage with crutches. In reality, it came about when he broke his ankle playing soccer.

He appeared in final rehearsal on crutches with his leg bound in a dark leather brace. The effect added so much impact to his role that they decided to keep it as part of the character. (It also affects his performance as Jacques in "As You Like It," but there

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

he plans to throw aside the crutches as soon as possible).

With his limp, Abbey's Warwick is threatening as he presses to see his prisoner burned as a witch for defeating his armies. However, with political guile, he arranges for a French ecclesiastical court to do it so that he can escape the blame.

His credo as propagandist is that making a claim often enough will make it true in public opinion. It remains a familiar technique today. Yet he even shows sympathetic understanding of Joan's dedication to her cause in ways that evoke ironic laughter.

Most sympathetic and entertaining is the scene where Joan testifies how her voices prompt her to visit the country lord, Robert de Beaudricourt. They tell her to ask for a horse, a man's clothing and an armed guard to take her to the Dauphin. Brian Tree

is masterful in the role as he frankly explains his price to pretty country girls who come to ask a favor.

Plummer displays Joan's ingenuous guile as she deflects his advances and persuades de Beaudricourt that sending her to offer to lead the French army and help crown the Dauphin as king, as crazy as it sounds, is actually his idea. It is a delightful episode. Moments like this, along with her recollections of her voices and her successful meeting with the Dauphin, occur as recollected testimony in the course of the trial and are filled with heartwarming flashes of the sincerity and enthusiasm of Joan's mission. The interrogation by her prosecutors, on the other hand, is a grim reminder of the potential for miscarriage of justice when political power is at stake. Representatives of the establishment are obliged to discredit any renegade leader.

Stephen Ouimette as the Promoter is a deliciously unsavory advocate of her conviction, rejecting every testimony as blasphemy and urging that the trial be cut short. His nastiness is superbly palpable.

As Cauchon, the ecclesiastical prosecutor, Bernard Hopkins gives a very human display of vacillation between a sincere desire to save Joan's soul and life, and a grim determination to have her submit to the domination and mind control of the church.

While the loyalty and devotion to Joan by her fellow soldier, Captain La Hire, are intensely expressed in Barry MacGregor's ardent avowal, he punctuates one of the most tragic turning points

of Joan's stance in her trial. There is an obvious deflation of her determined self-defense when she learns that La Hire and his company of troops have given up in the face of superior opposition.

It is even more telling than the realization that even the Dauphin, once he has gained the benefit of her efforts, finds it politically expedient to abandon her.

Beaten down by a relentless prosecution and persuasive priests, Plummer's Joan is deeply moving as she denies her voices and signs a confession, accepting the offered redemption.

But in the revelation that costs her life, she is inspiring as she recognizes that she cannot deny the mission that has defined her existence. The tragic conclusion of being burned at the stake is beautifully handled and brings home the funda-

mental need to redeem integrity at any cost.

In doing this production, Stratford has brought back an amazing theater piece refocusing our understanding of the conflicts between idealism and cynicism in an outstanding production that is both entertaining and thought-provoking.

"The Lark" is presented in repertory at the Festival Theatre through Saturday, Oct. 29.

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Grosse Pointe artists praise Lac Ste. Claire Fine Art Fair

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Organizers of the Lac Ste. Claire Fine Art Fair in St. Clair Shores set about to find a scenic spot to display quality art items. Then they scoured near and far to invite quality artists to their art show now held on the shore of Lake St. Clair, Saturday, Sept. 17, and Sunday, Sept. 18.

Three Grosse Pointe Woods artists will be on hand; photographer Thomas Kliber, portrait artist Bette Prudden and jewelry designer Barb Quenneville-Gustine.

Prudden was one of the first artisans called upon 18 years ago during the show's inception to not only invite her to the show but also to suggest names of artists working in various mediums.

"I was called up by (organizer) Mary Jane Amicarella to suggest names" of artists who had quality art to display and sell on the lawn of St. Clair Shores City Hall. Since then the fine art show has moved to Veterans' Memorial Park on Jefferson and Masonic.

Prudden, a portrait painter, continues to attend because, "The best thing about the art fair is that they are so organized. They are really good at getting over to your spot with a golf cart. They have the whole show organized. They are appreciative to the artist."

A painter for 40 years and continually learning, Prudden is a portrait painter who works in pastels and watercolors. Though she doesn't sell much of her work at the show due to its nature, she does receive commissions to do portraits of family members, including pets.

While jewelry designer Quenneville-Gustine was not one of the original artists, it was the only year



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Thousands of people attend the annual Lac Ste. Claire Fine Art Fair in St. Clair Shores to see quality fine artisans and their work Saturday, Sept. 17, and Sunday, Sept. 18.

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she missed.

Her speciality is fresh water pearl and titanium jewelry.

Quenneville-Gustine explains that titanium is very popular as a jewelry metal for several reasons. The first being that no one is allergic to the metal, which is also used extensively for hip and knee replacement. Subjecting the metal to different electric voltage charges, and its color changes to jewel tones. "It's a fascinating metal," she said.

It's fascinating to her customers who range in age from 13 to 50. Pearl jewelry is an acquired taste, she said.

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident makes earrings, necklaces and bracelets. The

uniqueness of Quenneville-Gustine's jewelry is that she uses knots and braiding in her style.

"Braiding is a lost art. It takes so much time," she said. Braiding a necklace takes about six hours and makes for an interesting piece.

"Hands down it's the best show on the east side for variety, quality. They do a remarkable job having a wide variety of artists," said the artist who has been making jewelry for 20 years.

Quenneville-Gustine can be found if the visitor takes the sidewalk to the right (south). She will be about midway between the street and the concession stands.

Kliber can be found at site 86 with his black and white and color scenic prints. He is another artist who continually attends the Lac Ste. Claire Fine Art Fair.

"I work with film and an old Nikon camera," he said. "I do a lot of work on the shoreline of the Shores and the Farms. I take the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club mostly. I'm in love with that building."

Kliber has a sister in Cape Cod so is photographing scenes there as well as when he vacations in Vermont in the fall.

"My first real art show I shared a booth with my mother. That's the way I started," he said. Now he has been in attendance for more than 10 years and keeps coming back because of how it's run.

"It's a well run art show. The people know what they're doing. It has grown every year in quality of art work," he said.

St. Clare holds book sale

The St. Clare of Montefalco PTO will hold its 21st annual used book sale through Sunday, Sept. 18, in the social hall of St. Clare of Montefalco Church, Mack at Whittier. More than 50,000 books — novels, biographies, mysteries, science fiction, romance, history, cookbooks,

self-help, classics, children's books will be for sale. Proceeds will benefit St. Clare enrichment programs.

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Re-enactors show what frontier life was like

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society and the City of Grosse Pointe will sponsor a live interactive depiction of frontier life in the Great Lakes area.

"On the Shores of Lake St. Clair: 1700-1820" will be presented from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, at Neff Park in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Re-enactors dressed in 18th century clothing will offer authentic depictions of the French voyageurs, Native Americans, British military personnel, fur traders and French and British settlers that lived and worked in what is now the Grosse Pointes and southeastern Michigan.

"This is a chance for the citizens of this area to learn

about the early settlements and how our ancestors lived among the natives and survived in a harsh, unforgiving environment," said Dale Canapini, co-chairman of the event.

Re-enactors will present depictions of camp sites; they'll demonstrate muzzle loading, storytelling, making fires from flints and more.

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society's books and videos will be available for purchase.

The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Debbie Graffius, co-chairman of the Encampment, at (313) 882-4062 or the Historical Society at (313) 994-7010 or visit the Historical Society's Web site at www.gphistorical.org.



Re-enactors will present demonstrations of what it was like to live in Grosse Pointe in the 18th century. The event is free and the public is invited to Neff Park in the City of Grosse Pointe from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

Human rights attorney is guest speaker

Attorney Shereef Akeel, a Sterling Heights resident with a national reputation in human rights and international law, will be the speaker at a Pointes for Peace public forum Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

The title of Akeel's presentation is "Abu Ghraib - Search for Justice."

A California native and graduate of the Michigan State University College of Law, Akeel gained prominence after 9/11 as a civil and human rights lawyer for people of Arab descent. He is the lead attorney in a class action suit alleging abuses against Iraqi detainees held not only at Abu Ghraib, but also at 23 other U.S.-run detention sites in Iraq.

"It was done by Americans," he said, "but this is not what America is about."

The free program will be held in the church undercroft at 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd. Light refreshments will be served. A portion of donations to Pointes for Peace that evening will be contributed to hurricane relief efforts.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group of east-siders and others who are committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels. Membership is free.

All are welcome at Pointes for Peace weekly gatherings Sundays at 7 p.m. at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the Grosse Pointe Village.

For more information, or to be added to the mailing list, call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732 or e-mail pointesforpeace@yahoo.com.

Churches: Coming events

First English Ev. Lutheran Church presents a short but comprehensive course entitled "Parting on Purpose - The Balance of Love and Discipline."

This is for parents and grandparents of the congregation and community. The eight sessions will take place on Wednesday evenings, Sept. 21 through Nov. 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the church lounge, the same time that the catechism classes take place.

The parenting class, conducted by Walter Schmidt, senior pastor, is an interactive training approach to help parents learn, discuss and actually view on video a step-by-step plan for love and discipline.

The sessions are designed for parents and grandparents of children of all ages. Teachers and caregivers

may also benefit.

The cost is \$10 per family, payable at the first session.

Call Schmidt to review the training manuals and/or register at (313) 884-5040.

First English is located at 800 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The 13th Annual Fall Craft Show will open for the second year in the new Luther Center at **First English Ev. Lutheran Church** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8.

Women of the Church welcome the community to First English, located at 800 Vernier at Wedgewood in Grosse Pointe Woods, to enjoy the handiwork of local crafters.

Featured will be seasonal wares as well as special handmade items for year-round such as origami art, wreaths and floral arrange-

ments, basketry, pottery, stained glass, hand knitted and crocheted pieces, fleece apparel, jewelry and gourmet food items. The show, held on the ground floor of the new facility, will feature a bake sale; a Maurice salad luncheon will be served by the Faith Circle.

Admission to the show is \$1.50; children 10 and under are free. Strollers are welcome.

Profits from the show will benefit the furnishing of the Luther Center kitchen. Show chairwoman is Beverly Jackson of St. Clair Shores.

Co-presidents of the F.E.L.C. Women of the Church are Jackson and Betty Blohm of Mount Clemens.

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By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



I've seen stacked vegetables in restaurants, cookbooks and food magazines and decided to create a veggie stack of my own. Prepping the veggies is the work. Layering them is the fun part. My make-ahead vegetable piles were quite the presentation and can be served as an appetizer or vegetarian entree.

Stacked Vegetables a la Annie

- 4 large portobello mushrooms
- 1/2 cup balsamic vinaigrette salad dressing
- 1 medium-large eggplant, sliced into 8 thick slices
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 3 garlic cloves, sliced
- 2 6-oz. packages fresh baby spinach
- 1 package fresh basil leaves
- 1 large beefsteak tomato, cut into four thick slices
- 8 slices provolone
- 1 medium red onion, halved and sliced

Place the portobellos in a zip-lock bag and add the dressing. Allow the mushrooms to marinate for at least one hour, tossing the bag occasionally. Prepare the grill for medium-high heat. Slice the eggplant into

1/2-inch slices, brush both sides with olive oil and season with salt and pepper to taste. Grill the marinated mushrooms and the eggplant slices on the hot grill. The mushrooms will take longer than the eggplant. Don't overgrill the eggplant or it will become mushy and too difficult to work with. Grilling time will vary, depending on how hot the grill is.

Set the grilled veggies aside. Heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil in a large deep skillet over medium-high heat. Add the sliced garlic and cook for a few minutes, just until the garlic begins to brown. Add one bag of fresh spinach and cook until the leaves are just wilted. Remove spinach and garlic from the skillet and place in a colander to drain. Cook the remaining bag of spinach as well.

Don't overcook the spinach. It should be a

vibrant green. Drain the spinach and lightly squeeze it. Set aside. In the same skillet, heat the remaining tablespoon of olive oil and add the sliced onion. Cook the onion over medium-high heat for 10 minutes or until the onion becomes soft and begins to brown. Set aside.

The entire grilling, spinach and onion cooking process will take 30 to 45 minutes.

To build four vegetable towers, place the grilled mushroom caps (cap side down) in a baking dish and top with a slice of the grilled eggplant. Distribute the cooked spinach and garlic evenly over the eggplant and top with the remaining 4 slices of eggplant. Next place four slices of the provolone over the eggplant and top with a few fresh basil leaves. Place the tomato slices over the basil and sprinkle with a little salt.

Over the tomato, arrange a few more basil leaves and the remaining slices of provolone. Finish the vegetable tower with a small mound of cooked onions.

Heat in a 300 degree oven for 10 minutes or until the provolone melts and drapes over the edge of the tower. Serve warm, with a drizzle of olive oil. Elegant, healthy, delicious. Yea!

Tri Deltas

The Detroit-Grosse Pointe alumnae chapter of Delta Delta Delta sorority will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at the Country Club of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Farms. The cocktail reception begins at 6:15 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The cost is \$31.

Reservations are requested. Call (313) 884-5322 for more information or to make a reservation. Meetings of the Detroit-Grosse Pointe alumnae chapter of Delta Delta Delta are open to any Tri Delta alumna living in Detroit or the east side metro Detroit area.

Pointe Knitters

Pointe Knitters will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Children's Home of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Woods. The program will be "Reversible Knitting."

Pointe Knitters is a non-profit organization that promotes the art of knitting through programs, show-and-tell and other activities.

Knitters of all skills are welcome. Dues are \$12 a year. For more information, call Shirley Paczkowski at (313) 885-9034.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The speaker will be Dr. Stacie Lemanski,

Meetings

medical and spiritual missionary. Her topic will be "Meeting the Medical and Spiritual Needs of a Third World Country." She will relate past experiences as a missionary in Jos, Nigeria.

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club, a nonprofit social organization, raises funds to award scholarships to Grosse Pointe high school seniors each year and also supports various Detroit area charities.

The Woman's Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month for lunch and a speaker. All current and former Grosse Pointe residents and business owners are invited to attend.

Dues are \$50 a year, which includes seven lunches. For more information, call Beverley Pack at (313) 882-5397 or Pam Zimmer at (313) 882-9087.

For guest reservations to the Sept. 21 meeting, call (313) 881-8476 by Saturday, Sept. 17.

Woman's Connection

The Woman's Connection of Grosse Pointe will meet to kickoff the new season at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, at a private club in Grosse Pointe.

The speaker will be Gail Pomukov, an attorney and a pioneer for using DNA evidence to assist clients in the courtroom.

The Woman's Connection is a women's networking and support organization dedicated to the enrichment and empowerment of women

in their business and personal lives. For reservations for the Sept. 22 meeting, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855; for information, call Marcia Pikielek at (313) 884-4201.

Inventors' Association

The Inventors' Association of Metropolitan Detroit will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, in Room 312 of Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier.

The guest presenter will be Scott McIntosh.

LWV

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will hold its fall kickoff membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, in the Fries Auditorium at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

A round-table discussion about how to remedy the current crisis in financing education will be presented. Participants will be Sen. Martha Scott, Rep. Edward Gaffney, State School Board President Kathleen Straus and Grosse Pointe Board of Education Trustee Joan Dindoffer.

The community is invited.

Windmill

Pointe Questers

Windmill Pointe Questers No. 385 will meet at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19, in Conference Room B at the Children's Home of Detroit.

Babies

Robert Joseph Carswell

Gene and Beth Carswell of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Robert Joseph Carswell, born July 20, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Ralph and Sandra Magreta of the City of Grosse Pointe. Paternal grandparents are Ken and Rita Carswell of Grosse Pointe Woods. Great-grandmothers are Irene Magreta of Sterling Heights and Patricia Smith of Sparta, Ga.

Jennifer Elaine Magill

Kevin and Mary Ann Magill of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a daughter, Jennifer Elaine Magill, born July 4, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Marlene Dombroske of Lansing and the late Frederick Dombroske. Paternal grandparents are Kenneth and Beverly Magill of Trenton.

Nicholas Donald Northey

Timothy and Jennifer Northey of Harper Woods

are the parents of a son, Nicholas Donald Northey, born Feb. 25, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Gary and Patricia Jensen of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal grandparents are Donald and Elvira Northey of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Katherine Elizabeth Hudson

Lisa and Gary Hudson Jr. of Scottsdale, Ariz., are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Elizabeth Hudson, born July 20, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Corine McDonald of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late James D. McDonald. Paternal grandparents are Peggy Hudson of Hiawasse, Ga., and the late Gary Hudson Sr.

Cecelia Preston Palazzolo

Bill and Krisinda Palazzolo of Ann Arbor are the parents of a daughter, Cecelia Preston Palazzolo, born Aug. 1, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Maryann Snyder of Grosse Pointe Woods and Roger and Kate Snyder of Portland, Ore. Paternal grandparents are

Vito and Betty Palazzolo of Southgate. Great-grandparents are Evelyn Mullins of Fairhaven and Caterina Palazzolo of Wyandotte.

Sawyer Fraser Carr

Stacy Fraser and Nate Carr of Charlotte, Vt., are the parents of a son, Sawyer Fraser Carr, born Sept. 6, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Tom and Mary Fraser of Grosse Pointe Park.

Robert Michael Peabody III

Kathryn F. and Robert M. Peabody Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a son, Robert Michael Peabody III, born Aug. 4, 2005. Maternal grandparents are Karyn Weir of the City of Grosse Pointe, Debbie French of Rapid River and the late John French III. Paternal grandparents are Carole Peabody of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Robert M. Peabody.

Volunteers needed to help senior citizens

Clean-up volunteers are needed for the first county-wide "Make A Senior Smile Day," scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 24.

The one-day "Make A Senior Smile Day" helps promote and showcase CHORE, a year-round program for seniors in need of help with landscape work, small repairs, window washing and other household tasks. Volunteers will be assigned clean-up tasks at the homes of local seniors.

CHORE work will be performed for eligible seniors at either reduced or no cost. Funding comes from a \$225,000 county allocation to the program.

Thousands of seniors are expected to qualify county-wide for the ongoing program.

Of CHORE, County Executive Robert Ficano said the program "Helps seniors remain in their own homes. Home CHORE pro-

grams enhance the quality of life and offer safety to those we serve."

To sign up for "Make A Senior Smile Day," volunteers living in Detroit, Hamtramck, Highland Park, Harper Woods or the Grosse Pointes should call

the Detroit Area Agency on Aging at (313) 446-4444, ext.7656. Others living outside those cities may call The Senior Alliance at (734) 722-2830. Volunteers may also reach county commissioners by district at www.waynecounty.com.

G.P. Chamber Music concert is Sept. 18 at War Memorial

Grosse Pointe Chamber Music opens its 2005-06 season of concerts at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Music will be by Vivaldi, Beethoven and Schumann.

Performers include Terese Edelstein, Anne Roberts, Faith Foster, Lynn Brosnan, Jamie Dabrowski, Sylvain Bouwman and Kelly Smith.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association sponsors the series of eight

GPCM concerts throughout the year.

Tickets will be available at the door. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children ages 6-15. An annual membership becomes a ticket for the entire season. Memberships are \$21. For more information, call (313) 885-4633.

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Master Gardener shares her skills with some roses

The 240 roses in the St. John Senior Community Memorial Rose Garden are just plain lucky. They not only have a Master Gardener caring for them, but one who is concerned about the health of the Center's residents as well.

Joanne Tokatlian, Master Gardener, lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.

In order to maintain her Master Gardener certification, she needs to complete a number of volunteer hours each year. Active in a variety of gardening groups, Tokatlian looked for a volunteer project near her home.

You may have met her as one of the Master Gardeners offering assistance during the Grosse Pointe Garden Center's Tour last June.

"A notice in the Master Gardeners of Wayne County (MGAWC) newsletter during 2003 caught my eye," Tokatlian said. "I called,



interviewed and have spent about one to one and a half hours a week for two summers working with the roses."

The first year, Tokatlian spent 24 hours just trimming the roses.

"They weren't properly pruned," she said. "There was just lots of dead wood to eliminate."

Since then she's fed, deadheaded, trimmed back and cared for the 240 roses that bring so much joy to the residents and their families.

She said she has only seen one Japanese beetle in her two years there.

"I've chosen not to use pesticides," Tokatlian said. "Many of the residents have compromised immune systems and don't need the extra problems that may accompany pesticides. Besides, I don't want to work with pesticides either."

She also noticed some carelessness around the roses where lawn pesticides had been sprayed. Those roses had damage.

She cut out the disabled spots and will take a wait-and-see attitude with those plants.

In the meantime, Tokatlian continues to plant roses that require less care, such as rugosas.

What brought her to this project?

"I just love roses," she said. "This year I got to buy 12 new roses for the Center's garden. Better there than in my own gar-

den."

She also likes hearing comments from residents and their family members as they reminisce about Grandma having grown this rose or that one.

A grant from the Grosse Pointe Garden Center helps keep the Memorial Rose Garden in mulch.

Tokatlian's favorite rose?

"Gosh. The Queen Elizabeth Floribunda is beautiful, pink and fragrant. The Peace Rose, Tropicana, those that are velvety dark red," she said.

"I guess it depends what's blooming and what the season is."

Tokatlian purchases her roses from Great Lakes Roses in Belleville. Great Lakes owner Nancy Lindley sells only roses that will do well in Michigan winters. According to Tokatlian, the Griffith Buck Shrub Roses from Iowa are great repeat bloomers and look like floribundas or hybrid tea roses.

Lindley shares some hints for fall growing:

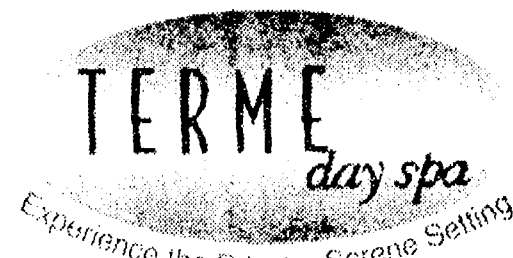
- This is a good time to select and plant new roses and to get them established for next year.
- Don't deadhead. Let the hips form before the plant goes dormant.
- Don't fertilize anymore this season.
- Keep roses watered with a good soaking twice a week.
- It's still too early to winterize; hold off until the ground begins to freeze, usually by the end of November or early December.

Find more useful information, including a link to view the Griffith Buck Shrub Roses, at www.great-lakesroses.com.

Kathleen Peabody is an Advanced Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. Reach her online at kmaslanka-peabody@sbcglobal.net.

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South girls edge Utica by two points in Algonac meet

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team began what it hopes is another successful season last weekend with a first-place finish at the Algonac Invitational.

The Blue Devils finished two points ahead of runner-up Utica. Romeo, L'Anse Creuse and Warren-Mott rounded out the top five in the 13-team field.

More than half of the 200-runner junior varsity field were South runners. And the Blue Devils raced well, taking the top six positions and 15 of the first 20.

In the varsity race, senior All-Stater Jill McLaughlin ran a 19:40 on the 5,000-

meter course to place second to freshman sensation Audrey Huth of Utica.

McLaughlin was followed by Sam Mackenzie, who was ninth; Ashley Thibodeau, 11th; Emily McLaughlin, 15th; Michelle Arthur, 17th; Jeannie Hollerbach, 18th; and Sarah Petit, 27th.

All seven South girls earned top 30 medals.

"Utica had superb front runners, taking three of the top five spots, so the race came down the the best fourths and fifths," said South coach Steve Zaranek. "Our depth paid off. Jill is in superb midseason form and provides a great standard for our next pack of runners.

"Our goal will be to continuously move our next six runners closer and closer to Jill. We are not far off."

South has won its season-opening invitational in 17 of the last 18 years.

The Blue Devils, who had 100 runners in the JV race, dominated under hot, sunny conditions.

"We had our first six JV girls all under 22 minutes, which is a great start for them," Zaranek said. "In fact, our next seven finished under 23 minutes.

"Our biggest accomplishment of the day, however, was having every single South girl finish the race and improve over their prac-

tice meet times. We are truly off to a wonderful start."

South's Lauren Leverett, Amanda Elskens, Katherine Corden, Anna Schulte, Erica Menchl and Bridget Dennehy were the first six across the finish line.

"These six ran well

enough for a top four finish in the varsity race," Zaranek said.

South's next seven — all finishing under 23 minutes — were Stephanie Garbarino, Margaret Schneider, Brittany Gilpin, Katie Gerow, Julie Zaranek,

Emily Franchett and Katie Dosch.

Finishing under 24 minutes were Katherine Zurek, Heather Lockhart, Amanda Gay, Kaitlin Arnold, Claire Vandelinder, Nicole Stieber, Lauren McLaughlin and Beth Ansaldi.



Grosse Pointe North defenders swarm around a Port Huron Northern ball carrier.

Photo by Bob Bruce

Norsemen find their ground game in win over Huskies

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

For years, Grosse Pointe North football has been noted for a potent ground attack.

However, in the first two games this year things have been different.

"It was missing," coach Frank Sumner said of the Norsemen's ground game.

Well, it's been found again.

Brad Herman moved from fullback to tailback and rushed for 205 yards and two touchdowns in 26 carries to lead North to a 41-13 victory over Port Huron Northern in a Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

"Herman has speed and he's a tough north-south runner," Sumner said. "He was very good, and he played well defensively, too."

A week ago, in North's 14-7 loss to Romeo, Sumner was critical of the offensive line play.

His tune changed considerably after Friday's game.

"I was real happy with the O-line," Sumner said. "They did a good job of getting off the ball."

North's line was missing one of its starters — injured right guard Mark Szandzik — but Austen Ditzhazy replaced him and "did a great job," Sumner said.

Other members of the offensive line, who helped North rush for a total of 325 yards were Ron Bedway, Vince Mendez, Alex Ahee and Alan Rozycki.

The Norsemen's balanced attack featured a solid passing game. Quarterback Michael Kaiser completed eight of 11 passes for 149 yards and one touchdown. Tight end Jake Bloomhuff had five receptions for 111 yards.

"We've had a lot of good tight ends, and Jake's right there with them," Sumner said. "He's been outstanding for us for three years."

Bloomhuff was also one of the leaders on defense with

seven tackles, including two sacks, to run his sack total to seven in three games.

North scored on its first two offensive possessions. It took only three plays to cover 62 yards on the first scoring drive.

Herman ran for 23 yards. Kaiser and Bloomhuff connected on a 48-yard pass play to the one, and Kaiser sneaked in for the touchdown. Szandzik kicked the extra point.

North held the Huskies on their next possession, but a fumbled punt gave PHN the ball inside the Norsemen's 20-yard line and six plays later, the Huskies scored to tie the game at 7-7.

North quickly broke the tie, going 80 yards in 10 plays with Herman scoring from five yards. Herman had a pair of 17-yard runs in the drive. Kaiser picked up 14 yards on the option and completed passes of eight yards to Vince Hendon and 18 to Bloomhuff.

It took only two plays for North to score its next touchdown after a short punt by the Huskies. Kaiser ran for nine yards, then found Hendon for a 27-yard scoring strike.

PHN closed the gap to 19-13 on a short run by Steve Trask after the Huskies' quarterback picked up 46 yards on an option run.

After that, it was all North.

Herman ran six yards for

a touchdown to cap an 80-yard drive, and Kaiser passed to Cory McCain for the two-point conversion.

Bill Matouk scored on a one-yard run and Mike D'Agnes capped the scoring with a 42-yard touchdown run.

"We played well on both sides of the ball," Sumner said.

North held Trask to only 58 yards in 13 carries, while PHN failed to complete a pass in four tries.

Sophomore linebacker Michael Neveux again led the Norsemen with 12 tackles. Michael Powers had seven stops, while Karl Tech, who played a strong game at safety, and Bedway each had six tackles.

North has another key MAC White game Friday when the Norsemen visit Utica.

The Chieftains and Romeo were the preseason favorites to challenge defending champion North in the division.

"They have a good running back in Steve Terry, who had 17 carries for 162 yards and two touchdowns last week," Sumner said.

"We have to contain him. They're big up front, too."

Sophomore quarterback Nick Kosovich is lefthanded so he provides a different look for opposing defenses.

The victory over PHN left North 2-1 overall and 1-1 in the league.

South field hockey ties in classic matchup

A matchup between the defending state field hockey champions in Division I and II turned out to be a classic.

Grosse Pointe South, which won the state title in Division I last season, and Bloomfield Hills Marian played to a scoreless tie.

South's strong side left defender, Emily Cumpata, shut down Marian's strong right-sided offense with the help of teammates Danika Stone and Kathleen McDonald.

The Blue Devils had three

excellent scoring chances but each of them hit the outside of the Mustangs' net.

Jenna Lankford posted the shutout in goal for South.

Earlier, the Blue Devils opened the season with a 12-0 romp over East Grand Rapids.

Ali Morawski scored five goals and Elisabeth Alber collected five assists. Margi Scholtes had two goals and two assists, while Aimee O'Brien had two goals.

Freshman Christie

Greiner had a goal and an assist. Allison O'Connor, who scored on a rare backhand shot, and Kelly Hughes had the other South goals.

Stone had two assists and McDonald and Claire Fecher each had one assist.

Alber scored the tying goal with 12 minutes remaining to lift South into a 1-1 tie with Detroit Country Day.

Scholtes and Morawski had the assists.

"South stepped up and

dominated late in the game," said Blue Devils coach Monica Dennis. "Defenders Emily Cumpata, Alissa Tassopoulos, Kathleen McDonald and Margi Scholtes played smart and strong."

"Forward Kelly Hughes had a great game with some dynamic runs and some well thought out plays."

Lankford made some key saves, especially in the second half, to keep the game close.

South boys dominate field

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South has its largest boys cross country squad this year, and someday it could turn out to be one of the school's best.

"We have 52 runners, which gives us something we haven't had in a long time — depth," said coach Tom Wise.

"We have a lot of good young runners. We have 27 kids running for the first time."

The Blue Devils had two freshmen in the varsity

seven at last weekend's Algonac Muskrat Invitational, which South won with 41 points.

Berkley was a distant second with 91 points and Romeo finished third with 133.

Adam Dziuba led South's contingent with a third place overall in 17:04. Right behind him was teammate Jake Wernet in 17:08.

Freshman Edwin Gay, who finished in 17:29, Nate Monahan and Joel Gilpin rounded out the Blue Devils' scoring. All five earned

medals.

John Wilkins and freshman Jack Davies rounded out South's varsity lineup.

The Blue Devils' medal collection didn't end with the varsity race.

Kevin Lynch took first place in the reserve race, but nine other South runners earned medals with strong performances.

They were John Kone, Brendan Buckley, Tre Lattimore, Steve Dzi, Andrew Davenport, Rob Gerow, Dan Firl, Ethel Brock and Christian Bielski.

ULS fights through injuries, inexperience on defense corps

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School soccer coach David Backhurst is faced with two problems these days.

One is getting healthy. The other is breaking in a new defense corps.

"We lost three of our four starting defenders, so we had to convert some people to defense," Backhurst said. "There's an adjustment period, but for the most part, we've played pretty well defensively."

Ryan Deane is the only returning starter on defense for ULS.

Getting everybody healthy has been a bit more frustrating for Backhurst.

"We had some intense, multi-team scrimmages and came out of them with some people banged up," Backhurst said.

"If I had it to do over, I probably wouldn't have scheduled such tough scrimmages."

One of the worst injuries was a broken fibula suffered by Spencer Logan, the Knights' second-leading scorer last year.

Despite the injuries and the inexperience on defense,

ULS takes a 3-1 record into one of its toughest weeks of the season with games against strong Metro Conference rivals Clawson and Hamtramck.

The Knights opened with a 3-1 victory over Sterling Heights Bethesda Christian.

Curtis Fisher broke a scoreless tie 10 minutes into the second half, but shortly afterward, Bethesda tied the game on a penalty kick.

ULS bounced back quickly, breaking the tie with the first varsity goals by freshman Jack Fisher, Curtis's brother, and sophomore Judd DeMartini.

In the Knights' next game, they lost 4-0 to a strong Southfield Christian team.

"They're ranked No. 6 in the state in Division IV, so that's a good benchmark for where we are right now," Backhurst said. "We really haven't hit our stride yet, but we're improving."

Southfield scored twice in the first half on a rebound and a penalty kick, then seemed to wear down the injury-riddled ULS squad in the second half.

ULS beat Hudsonville Freedom Baptist 1-0, but got another key injury when

goalkeeper Greg Jones suffered a hip contusion while making a diving save.

Curtis Fisher replaced Jones in goal and continued the shutout.

"Curtis played well, but it hurt to lose him on offense, especially with Logan out," Backhurst said.

The Knights scored their only goal of the game with about 25 minutes remaining when Ryan League bounced a free kick off the defense wall to Jeff Heaney, who fired a shot into the net.

"After that, we concentrated on defense," Backhurst said. "They outshot us 11 in the second half, but Curtis made several outstanding saves."

Monday, the Knights finally had a breather. Heaney and Steven Co each scored three goals lead ULS to a 10-0 victory over Macomb Christian.

The game ended on mercy rule with 16 minutes left in the second half.

Mike Corbett scored twice for the Knights, and Ryan Silver and Jack Fisher added a goal apiece.

North blank Anchor Bay

Goalkeeper Billy Schr recorded his first shutout the season and Rubin B scored two goals to lead Grosse Pointe North's soccer team to a 3-0 victory over Anchor Bay in a Macomb Area Conference cross match.

Adam Miller scored the other goal for the Norsemen who improved to 3-1-2 overall.

Earlier, North got a pair of second-half goals from Nick Yakamovich and Jeff Silver to tie Rochester 2-2 in a league game.



Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap
Grosse Pointe South's Brendan Howe scores one of his three touchdowns.

Howe has 3 TDs in South's league loss

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe South's football team took steps in the right direction last week, despite losing 44-21 to visiting Romeo.

"We thought we had to score some points against a very good, physical Romeo team and we did, but we gave up far too many big plays that allowed Romeo to win the game," head coach Mike McLeod said.

The Blue Devils fell behind 14-0 early to the unbeaten Bulldogs but pulled to within a touchdown when senior quarterback Derrick Hacias found senior wide receiver Brendan Howe for a 21-yard touchdown pass late in the first quarter.

Senior Jeff Remillet kicked the extra point, making it 14-7. Remillet has converted the extra point on all six of the Blue Devils' touchdowns this season.

Remillet also kicked a 35-yard field goal, but when he was roughed on the play, South took the penalty instead of the three points.

"He's also doing well on kickoffs," said coach McLeod.

Romeo increased its lead to 35-14 at the half and led 41-14 heading into the final quarter.

South's other two touchdowns came via the pass as Hacias hit Howe on a 40-yard scoring pass late in the second quarter and junior backup quarterback James Bertakis threw a 10-yard TD pass to Howe late in the fourth period.

"Our offense was able to put some points on the board and move the ball, which is what we were expecting after a good week

of practice," McLeod said. "However, our defense didn't to its job, breaking several coverages early in the game that allowed Romeo to score some easy touchdowns. We will learn from this game and move on to our next opponent. I think the toughest part of our schedule is over, but that doesn't mean we can relax."

Hacias completed 14-of-27 passes for 247 yards with two touchdowns and four interceptions, while Bertakis was 5-of-7 for 29 yards and one touchdown.

Howe had a big game at receiver, catching nine passes for 150 yards and the Blue Devils' three touchdowns. Sophomore James Saros caught seven passes for 114 yards.

Others who caught passes were seniors Grant Pennefather, Patrick Williams, and Curtis Mumaw.

David DeBoer had another strong game on both sides of the football for the Blue Devils.

Grosse Pointe South dips to 0-2 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 0-3 overall.

South to give hurricane aid

Ten percent of the gate receipts from Grosse Pointe South's home football game Friday against Sterling Heights will be donated to the American Red Cross for hurricane relief efforts.

The school's Student Association will also be accepting additional donations to help the victims of Katrina.

South swimmers stage first outdoor meet

Grosse Pointe South's girls swimming team hosted what is believed to be a first for Michigan high school swimming last weekend.

A six-team outdoor relay meet was held at the Neff Park Pool in the City of Grosse Pointe, through the cooperation of the city and Parks and Recreation director Chris Hardenbrooke.

The Blue Devils made a strong showing in the meet by finishing a close second to perennial state power Birmingham Groves. The Falcons had 135 points, while South had 128.

South's only victory came in the 400-meter breast-

stroke relay with the team of Jennifer Dunaway, Melissa Oddo, Morgan Laney and Carly Czajka.

South had second or third place finishes in seven other A relays, and eight of the Blue Devils' B relays finished in the top five.

Groves was led by returning All-State swimmers Dana Christ and Brittany McGowan, who each participated on three winning relays.

South opened the Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet season with a 143-42 victory over Dakota.

The Blue Devils' 200-yard

medley relay team of Leeann Mocer, Dunaway, Stephanie Johnson and Kim Grady opened the meet with a state cut winning time of 1:55.54.

Mocer also had a state-qualifying time in the 100 freestyle (56.15), while Johnson (1:01.29) and Grady (1:01.60) qualified for the state meet in the 100 butterfly.

South's other winners were Kim Stevens, 100 backstroke; Sarah Jenzen, 200 individual medley; Becca Scholtes, 50 freestyle; Michelle Martinelli, 200 freestyle; and Dunaway, 100 breaststroke.

Mocer, Johnson, Grady and Kate Muelle won the 200 and 400 freestyle relay races.

Newcomers to the South squad who earned points were Jade Nehra, Kathryn Carey, Killeen Lang, Kendall Effinger and Emma Baker.

Coach Tom Mulhern's divers earned nine points, led by veteran Olivia Vandenbussche. Newcomers Regan Wedenoja and Erin Garbarino finished third and fourth, respectively.

South's swimmers are coached for the second year by Todd Briggs, Kim Truza and Eric Gunderson.

North runners have a solid 1-2 punch

Betsy Graney and Sarah Gryniwicz are a 1-2 punch that has Grosse Pointe North girls cross country coach Scott Cooper excited about the Norsemen's prospects for the season.

"With Graney and Gryn as our 1-2 punch we should have some great race results this year," Cooper said.

Gryniwicz missed all of last season with an injury, but during the summer she and Graney, a returning All-State runner, trained together.

It seems to have helped them both.

"Sarah's improvement is

astonishing," Cooper said. "She runs every workout stride for stride with Graney and has been running the races close by, also."

"Graney is right on track from last year's great performance. She is performing about one minute ahead of last year's times at the same time in the season. She has already posted a 19-minute race and is on target for another All-State performance."

In last weekend's Tortoise and Hare Invitational, Graney and Gryniwicz each earned top 20 medals in helping North finish 11th

in an 18-team field.

"We decided to try this invitational because it offered us a chance to run against some really good schools from around the state," Cooper said.

"This was be great practice for Betsy to run with a lot of good competition, not just the one or two top runners we usually see."

Cara Miserendino also ran a strong race to finish third among North's contingent. She was followed by Quinn Wulf, Meryl Masserang, Lauren Major and Jennie Brescoll.

Liz Rabidoux, Major and

Becca Gimpert earned medals in the junior varsity race.

In a double dual meet with Regina and Warren-Mott, North beat Regina 25-35 but lost to Mott 27-28.

"We decided not to run Graney and Gryn in order to set them up for some additional training later in the season," Cooper said.

Miserendino was North's No. 1 runner in the race, followed by Hannah Clor, Brescoll, Wulf, Katie Graves, Masserang and Brianne McDonald.

North shows improvement in two defeats

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Looking at the final scores doesn't begin to tell the story of Grosse Pointe North's accomplishments on the basketball court last week.

"We lost both of our games by 11 points, but I thought we had a great week," said coach Gary Bennett. "From

practice Monday to the end of the week we showed tremendous improvement."

It started with the 47-36 loss to Bloomfield Hills Marian.

The Mustangs led for most of the game, but they weren't able to relax until the final buzzer.

"We really showed we had heart in the fourth quarter

when they could have taken the lead to 20 points," Bennett said.

"They tried to hold the ball with about four minutes to go and we gave them problems. If we had made our shots after the turnovers, it would have been even closer. We rebounded much better, and (Marian) had some big bodies. We showed a lot of heart."

Marian has a post player who is a borderline NCAA Division I prospect, and North's Andrea Bedway was instrumental in holding her to only four points. Bedway, meanwhile, scored 11.

Kelly DeFauw led the Norsemen with 12 points.

North's improvement on the boards continued a couple of nights later in a 47-36 loss to Livonia Ladywood.

"Ladywood has good team speed and they pressured the daylight out of us and caused problems with running the offense," Bennett said, "but again we did a good job of rebounding."

"We blocked out and the guards were able to scoop up the loose balls. Andrea didn't have any rebounds, but her blocking out enabled

Caitlin (Bennett) to get seven rebounds."

The 11-point margin was the closest game Ladywood has been involved in this season, and it was a third-quarter spurt that decided the game.

The teams were tied at 22-all at halftime and North scored the first two points of the third quarter, but the Blazers finished the quarter with a 16-4 run.

DeFauw led North with 11 points, while Meghan Potthoff, Olivia Stander and Kelly Rusko added six apiece and Bennett had five. Bennett also led in assists with four.

"I was really happy with the way we played in both games," Gary Bennett said. "We play tough teams because we want to get better."

In a schedule change because of the cancellation of the Detroit Renaissance Classic in which the Norsemen were to play a Detroit Public School team, North will host L'Anse Creuse North tonight, Sept. 15.

The Crusaders were also scheduled to play in the PSL tournament and were left

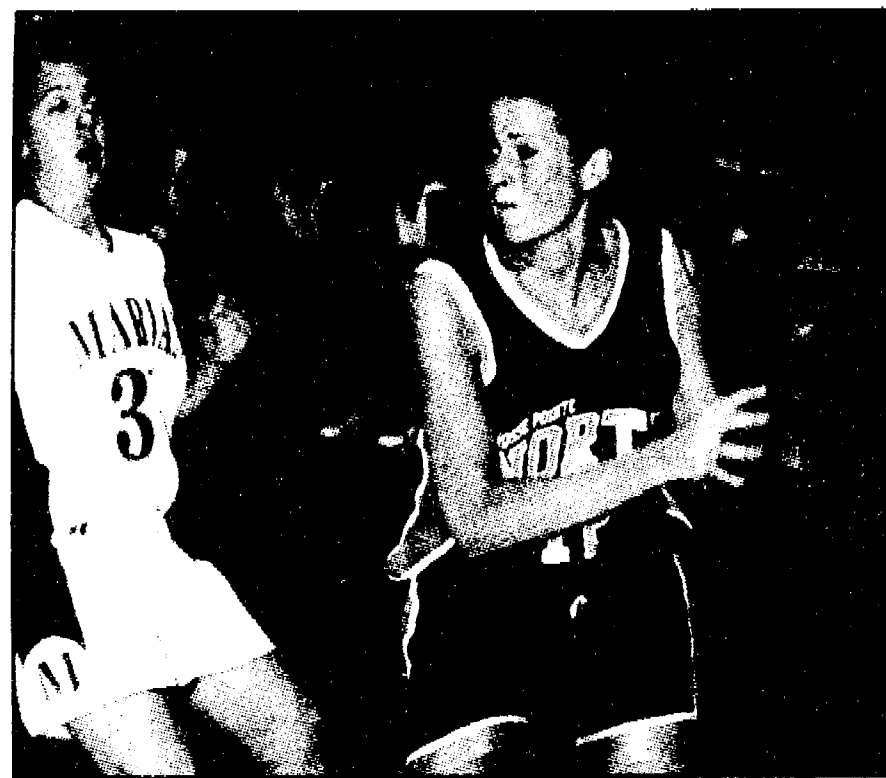


Photo by Bob Bruce
Meghan Potthoff looks for an open Grosse Pointe North teammate.

South comeback falls short

It's been a rough start to the girls basketball season

for Grosse Pointe South, but a thrilling comeback against Utica Eisenhower provided one bright spot for the Blue Devils.

South trailed the Eagles 20-4 after the first quarter but closed the game to nine points at halftime before losing 59-52 in the Macomb Area Conference crossover game.

Sara Crandall had a double-double for the Blue Devils with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

Julie Zaranek had eight points, two steals, an assist and three rebounds, while Kim Smiley also scored eight points for South.

Emma Tocco had a fine all-around game with six steals, seven assists, three rebounds and three points.

South opened the season with a 52-22 loss to Farmington Hills Mercy.

Megan DeBoer led the Blue Devils with eight points and Zaranek scored five.

Zaranek scored 10 points and also collected six rebounds, a steal and two blocks to highlight a 62-35 loss to Romeo.

Katie Petz had seven points and Crandall scored six for South.

Knights, North tie

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's girls tennis team had two easy matches sandwiched around a tough one last week.

The Knights breezed past a pair of Metro Conference rivals, beating both Clarenceville and Clawson by 8-0 scores.

Things got tougher when ULS played crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North.

The match ended in a 4-4 tie, which was a fitting final score.

"Nearly all of the matches were close," ULS coach Chuck Wright said.

The only ones that weren't nail-biters came at first and second singles, where ULS's Holly Huth and Jessica Leonard prevailed.

Huth trailed North's Lauren Still 3-0 in the first set but came back to win 6-3, 6-0 at No. 1 singles. Leonard won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 2.

North's Olivia Savalle beat Denine Simmons 6-1, 7-5 at No. 3 singles.

"Denine changed her strategy in the second set and it helped her," Wright said.

In fourth singles, ULS's Carrie Taylor beat Kelly

Cooper 6-3, 2-6, 7-5.

"Carrie has been really tough in three set matches," Wright said. "She's in great shape and she outlasts a lot of her opponents."

"(Assistant coach) Ken Rychwalski helped Carrie in her match. He does a great job with all the kids."

ULS's first two doubles team lost their matches, but Wright was pleased with the way they improved since playing the Norsemen in the ULS Invitational a week earlier.

North's Christine Schucker and Ariana Conti beat Stefania Ford and Grace D'Arcy 6-2, 7-5 at No. 1 doubles and the Norsemen's team of Kristin Krawchuk and Anna Alsbach beat Jamie Bow and Lauren Russell 4-6, 6-3, 6-2. Earlier, Bow and Russell lost 6-1, 6-3 to Krawchuk and Alsbach.

ULS's only doubles win came at No. 3 where Claire Peracchio and Catherine Vatsis posted a 7-5, 4-6, 6-2 victory.

It was also tight at No. 4 doubles where North's Anne Marie Kennedy and Marissa Victor beat Sarah McCuish and Julia Brennan 6-4, 7-6.



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A great sale- Saturday, September 17; 8am. 20444 Elkhart, Harper Woods. Furniture, designer baby/ children clothes, baby items, housewares, etc.

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2 family, Grosse Pointe Woods, 1039 Hawthorne. 2 blocks North Vernier, between Mack & Jefferson. Saturday 9am-2pm. Snapper mower, dorm size refrigerator, furniture, household.

2 households combined at the bachelor out of business sale! 763 Loraine, Friday, Saturday, 8am-4pm.

215 Lakeview, Moross at Kercheval. 6 family. You name it, we have it! Friday, Saturday 9am-3pm.

32 Newberry Place. Great sale! Loads of antique oak furniture & more, decorative items, antique clocks, collectibles, holiday items, men's & women's classic clothing. Great prices. Saturday only! 9am-3pm.

360 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms, multi family sale, Saturday 9am-4pm.

626 Lincoln, Grosse Pointe. Friday, Saturday, 9am-3pm. Household, lots of misc.

862 Barrington, Grosse Pointe Park. Furniture, antiques, toys, bikes, household items, etc. Friday, 9/16, 8:00am-3:00pm and Saturday 9/17, 8:00am-2:00pm

AAUW used book sale! September 21-23, 9:30am-8:30pm. September 24 (bag day) 9:30am-3pm. Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack.

DETROIT, 4606 University Place, Friday & Saturday, 10am-3pm. Artificial trees, all sizes, globe style candle holders (50), refrigerator, hand embellished glasses, lots of fabric, shabby chic dishes, everything negotiable.

DETROIT, 4957 Ashley. Extra large garage sale (estate). Across from Mr. C's deli on Mack. CVS on corner. Some antiques. Friday, Saturday & Sunday, all day.

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GROSSE Pointe City, 808 Rivard, Saturday 9am-3pm. Collectibles, antiques, artwork, tools, household.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 120 Kerby Lane, Saturday, Sunday 10am-4pm. Household, tools, hardware & sporting goods.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 316 Moross, Saturday 10am-5pm. Two family. Exercise equipment/ Schwinn Aerodyne bicycle, rebound exerciser & rowing machine. TV tables, cross country skis, J.Crew men's clothing, decorative items, silver & glass pieces and much more.

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 408 Roland Court, (Mack/ Moross.) Friday, Saturday, 9am-2pm. Furniture- canopy bed/ desk. Lots of great stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Farms, 451 Lexington. Saturday, Sunday. 9am-5pm. Great stuff! Dog supplies, luggage, books, household items, Beanie Babies, collectibles and much more.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1019 Bedford, Saturday, 9am-5pm. Furniture, toys, clothing, household items. Great prices.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1032 Whittier, Saturday 8am-noon. Children's clothing, 2T-7/8. Children's furniture, gently used toys, women's size small/ 4.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1169 Balfour, Saturday, 9am-2pm. Household, misc.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1331 Wayburn, Saturday, Sunday, 10am-5pm. Furniture, lamps, odds & ends.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 1418 Devonshire. Saturday, 9am-4pm. Boys/ girls, baby/ kid/ preteen clothes/ gear, toys, household items, books, furniture, Compaq Presario 5200, triplet stroller.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 607 Middlesex. On the corner at Korte. Friday, Saturday 9am-4pm. Household items, exercise equipment, twin mattress, jet ski trailer, lawn equipment. Stove, oak kitchen cabinets, set of glass top tables, cherry T.V. cabinet, dark oak 4 piece bedroom set, Christmas items, women's clothing size 12-22, like new.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 663 Pemberton. Furniture, household items. Friday, 9am-4pm.

GROSSE Pointe Park, 768 Trombley. Friday, Saturday, 9am-4pm. Lots of stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 830 Bedford. Saturday, 9am-3pm. Clothes, toys, household, tools, books, bookshelves & more.

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GROSSE Pointe Park, 832 Grand Marais, Friday & Saturday 9am-4pm. Good stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Park, 848 Berkshire. Friday, Saturday, 8am-4pm. Furniture, household, wares, etc.

GROSSE Pointe Park, Block sale- Whittier, South of Jefferson. Friday, 9am-3pm. Saturday, 8am-2pm.

GROSSE Pointe Shores, 59 Lakeshore Lane. 2 family sales. Bikes, books, miscellaneous household. Lots of good stuff! Friday, Saturday, 9am-2pm.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 1281 South Oxford, Saturday 9am-2pm. Misc. household items, toys, crafts. Retro furniture & accessories. 1973 Yamaha Enduro motorcycle. Lots of good stuff!

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 1610 Anita. Saturday, 9/17, 10am-4pm. Adult tri-cycle, Grandmother clock, hunting & fishing books & prints, decoys & related items. No presales!

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 2160 Hollywood, Friday & Saturday, 9am-4pm. Furniture, household goods, adult & children's clothing, toys.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 639 South Renaud, Saturday, 9am-1pm. Many kids items priced to sell. Some household.

GROSSE Pointe Woods, 962 North Brys. Friday, Saturday, 9am-5pm. New gift items- books, framed art, silver, Norwegian sweaters, 12 place settings- china, misc.

HARPER Woods, 19981 Old Homestead. Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9am-5pm. Furniture, appliances, golf clubs, etc.

HARPER Woods, 21701 Newcastle. Friday, Saturday, 9am-3pm. Glass top dining set, baby items, exercise equipment, furniture, more.

HUGE garage sale, 1489 Brys & Charlevoix. Collectibles, outdoor, sports, books, fishing lures, clothing, Saturday only 8:30am-?

HUGE garage sale, Grosse Pointe Park, 1052 Yorkshire. Thursday, Friday 9am-6pm. Furniture, toys, etc.

HUGE garage sale- Saturday, September 3. 16700 Chandler Park Drive (corner York-shire). Everything must go! (Cheap)

LAKESHORE Village Community wide yard sale. September 17, 9:30am-5pm. Marter/ Jefferson.

LAKEVIEW block sale! Moross at Kercheval. Saturday 9am-3pm.

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LONG overdue garage sale! 1376 Bedford, Grosse Pointe Park, Friday & Saturday, 9am-5pm. Furniture, beds, couch, bikes, sports equipment, clothing, much more.

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MOVING sale, everything must go! Tools, misc. 27812 Florence, St. Clair Shores. Off 11 Mile between Harper & Jefferson. Thursday- Sunday, 10am-4pm.

MOVING sale- Grosse Pointe Woods, 1704 Manchester Boulevard. September 22, 23; 9am-3pm. Household.

MOVING sale- Trampoline, electronics, stereo, pocket bike, computer, etc. Saturday, 9am-3pm. 19770 Old Homestead, Harper Woods.

MULTI- family. Grosse Pointe City, 809 University, Friday, Saturday 9am-3pm. Furniture, clothes, household, toys. No early birds, please!

SATURDAY, 9am-5pm. 945 North Renaud, Grosse Pointe Woods. Thomasville table with 6 chairs, collectible plates, new men's Pulsar watches. Lots of miscellaneous.

St. Clair Shores, 21921/ 21915 Englehardt (between 8 & 9/ Mack & Harper). Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 9am-5pm. Antiques, furniture, household items, maternity clothes, toys, Beanie's, Breyer horses. Good prices.

ST. Clair Shores, 22200 Blackburn (Harper/ Greater Mack). Friday/ Saturday, 9am-1pm. Lots of treasures.

ST. Clair Shores, 22525 East Ten Mile. Saturday, 17th. 8am-3pm. Good stuff! No garbage!

ST. Clair Shores, 22630 Avalon (East off Mack, between Vernier and 9 Mile). Friday, Saturday, 1-6pm. Great garage sale continues. Collectible items.

ST. Clair Shores, 23720 Glenbrook. September 15-17. 10am-5pm. Motorcycle, computer, VCR/ DVD, various household items.

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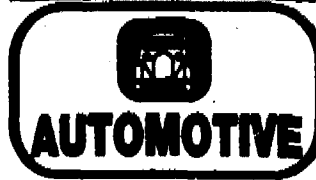
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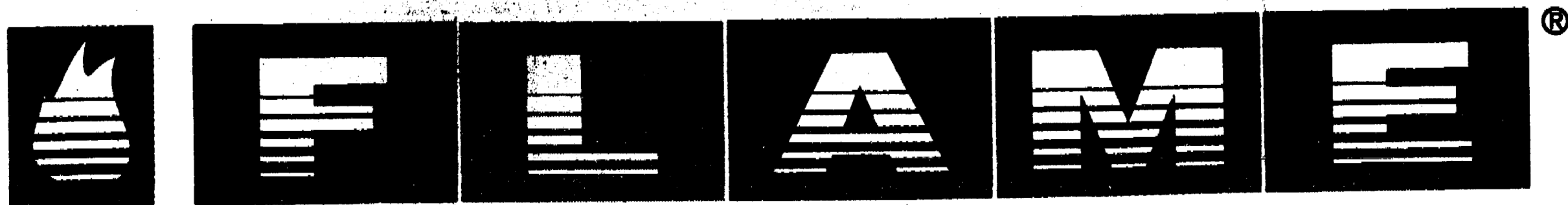
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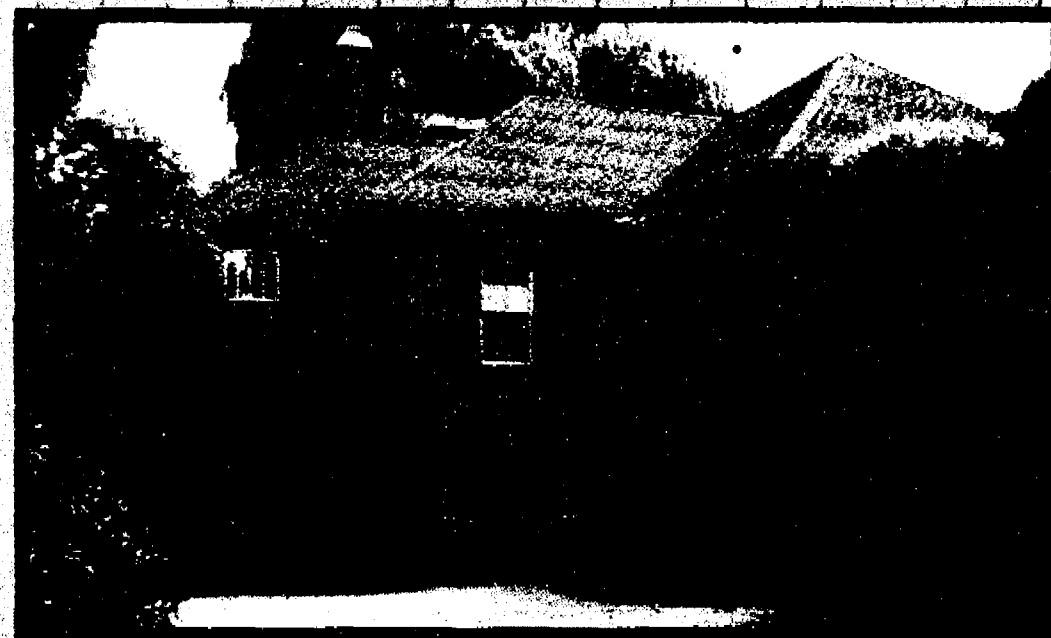
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Get preapproved before you hunt for a home

Q. My wife and I are first-time home buyers. Should we get preapproved before we start looking at homes?

— Ethan of Grosse Pointe Park.

A. Have you ever looked at a brand-new luxury sedan, envisioning that refined beauty with the camel leather interior, state-of-the-art CD/DVD system, a muscular V-8, and all the other trappings that would make you happy, only to find out that you can barely afford the stripped-down, bare-bones and "poor excuse for a substitute" model. Talk about depressing. By the way, that hypothetical sedan was only \$40,000, now think for a moment how much more frustrating it could be to be shopping for the biggest purchase of your life.

This bit of fanciful exaggeration is metaphoric for what happens to home buyers more than occasionally. Therefore, to avoid frustration and disappointment it is best to know upfront what you can reasonably afford in a home.

As a result, virtually all home buyers would do well to get preapproved before they start to shop for a home. Most Realtors know several reputable mortgage lenders that they can recommend in the event that you are in need of such service.

The benefits of getting preapproved are several. First, it allows you to establish boundaries in your spending. If you can only qualify for a \$200,000 mortgage and you have \$40,000 in assets (that you can put down on the home) then obviously you should not be looking at \$300,000 houses.

An additional benefit of getting preapproved is that it instills confidence in your real estate agent that you are serious about buying a home. If you have taken the necessary steps to inquire about your ability to acquire a mortgage, then more than likely you are serious in your desire to buy a home.

Many agents will only work



By Steve Aiuto

with preapproved buyers to minimize wasted efforts on unsure customers. Time is precious, and Realtors in general are busy; therefore, it becomes important to show "good faith" to your representative if you expect him or her to go above and beyond the call of duty.

Further, more and more sellers are asking their listing agents to verify that only preapproved buyers be shown their home. Why? Imagine the time, effort, and expense that goes into cleaning the home to show, packing up the kids, putting the dog away, and taking the family out to dinner for an hour or so in order to make the home available for a buyer to see. Now imagine that after all

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273 RIDGE GROSSE POINTE FARMS

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27 FAIR ACRES GROSSE POINTE FARMS

This elegant 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath colonial in a quiet cul-de-sac features sun drenched rooms, fresh neutral décor, gleaming hardwood floors, & deep crown moldings. Newer gourmet kitchen with adjacent family room. Master bedroom with fireplace, dressing room & bath. Secluded & private backyard.

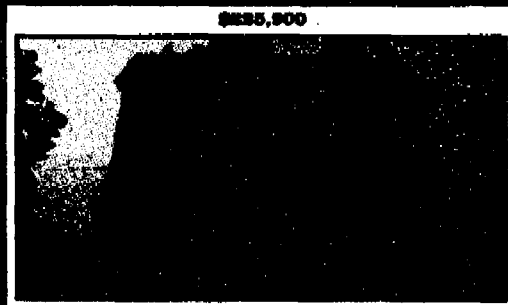
31 KERBY COURT GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Extensively remodeled, this beautiful four bedroom, four and one half bath colonial offers style, condition and location. Views of Lake St. Clair are available from your front lawn in this convenient Grosse Pointe Farms location. Fabulous kitchen/family room, library and three car garage.

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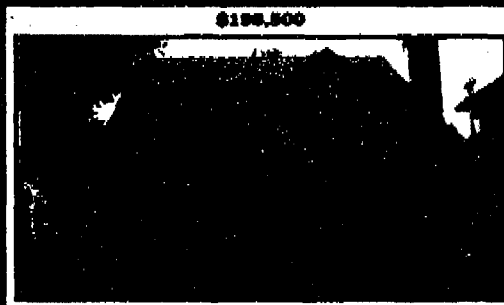
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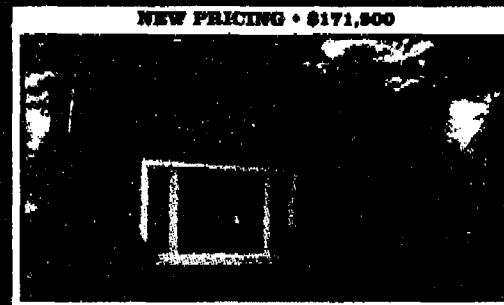
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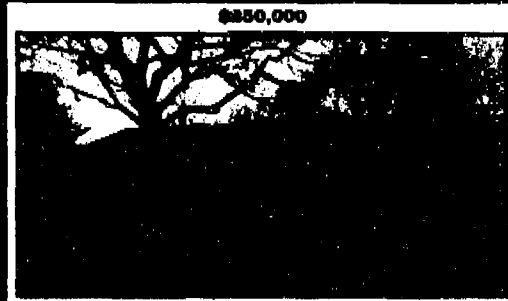
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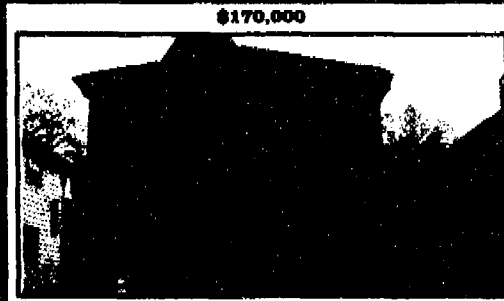
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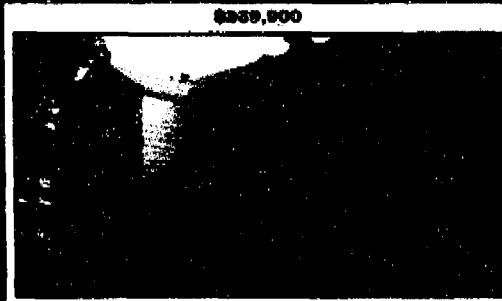
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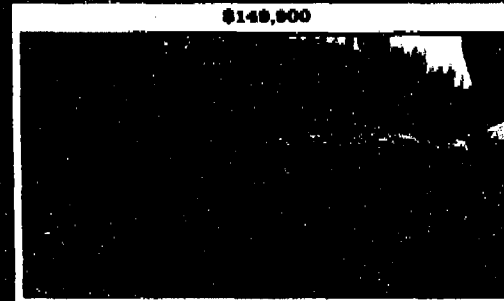
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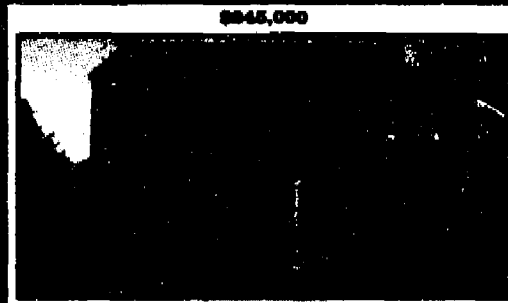
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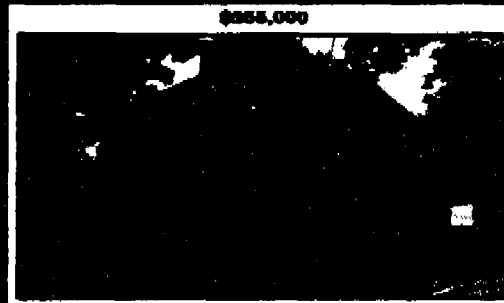
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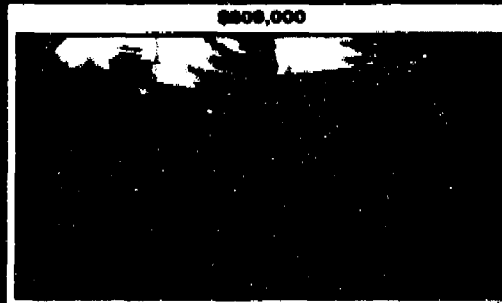
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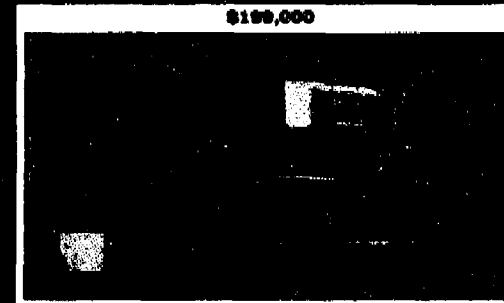
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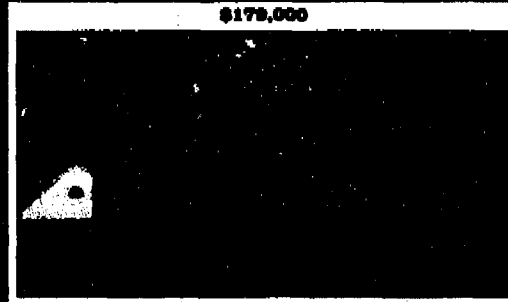
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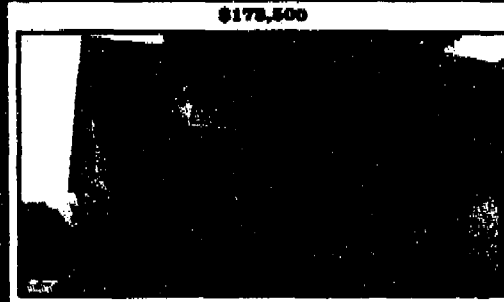
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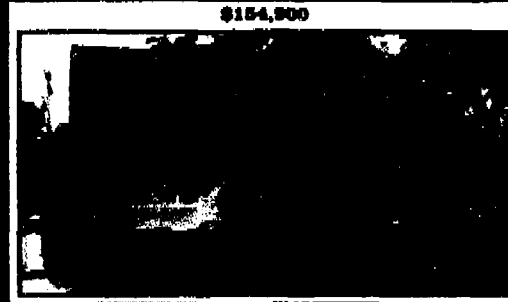
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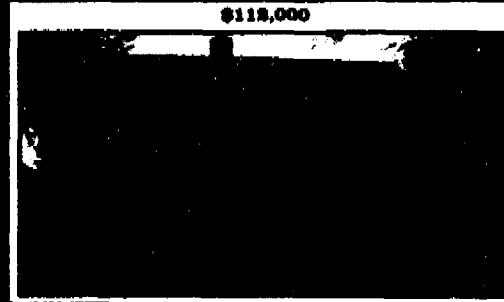
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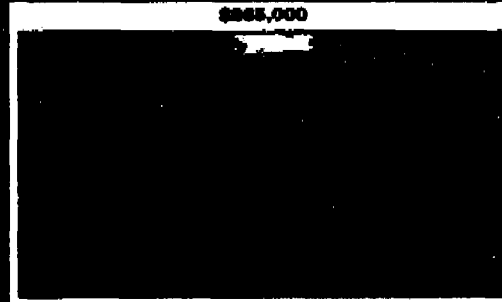
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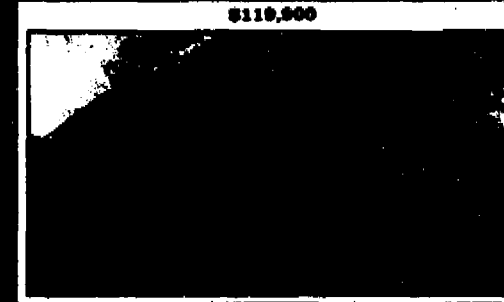
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The reasons why fall is time for planting

Q. I have put off some outside landscape projects. Can I still plant shrubs, trees, perennials, seed or lay sod?

A. There is still plenty of time to plant this fall. The planting season doesn't end until late in November when the ground starts to freeze. This time of year the nights are cooler and rain or irrigation does not evaporate as quickly. Plants are very active this time of year, developing a strong root system in order to make it through winter. Successful plantings are easy in the fall. Your grass seed, sod, perennials, shrubs and trees have all fall and spring to develop before the next summer heat wave comes.

Now you can find some great deals on landscape plants. Nurseries offer discounts this time of year to reduce inventories. Stop by your local garden center with a photo and some measurements to get some quick design suggestions to improve



**Ask
The
Landscaper**

**By David Soulliere
Soulliere Garden Cent**

your landscape. Fall planting is great because you save money on the materials and avoid the spring crowds.

Landscaping can improve the resale price of your home by thousands of dollars. Even small improvements in your landscaping can create excellent curb appeal. It pays to invest in landscaping to draw more buyers to your home. Whether you are planning to sell your home or just increase its value, landscaping can be the answer. Your landscape professionals can help you get the most out of your home.

When planting this fall, remember to add some loose organic matter to your soil. Compost, peat moss and cow manure are some great sources of organic matter. When digging the hole for the new plant, mix the organic soil with the loose soil that you take out of the hole. Use this new planting mix to backfill around your new plants. Fertilize the new plantings with a prepackaged plant starter or a fertilizer with high phosphate. Phosphate is represented on the fertilizer analysis as the middle number of the three. The last

step is to install a 2- to 3-inch layer of mulch to protect your new plants throughout the winter.

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that effort (time after time) the buyers that come to see the home were only "tire-kicking." As it turned out, the home was more than what they could afford or they were really only out there to see "what's on the market."

Does this sound as if it could get old fast for a seller anxious to sell his/her home? As a result, it has increasingly become important that only qualified buyers be shown houses. As a result, serious buyers that have their preapproval letter "in hand" are in a strong position to look, make an offer, and ultimately negotiate on a home of their choosing.

An additional benefit of early preapproval is it allows you to more comfortably and leisurely coordinate and review various loan programs that might be the best fit for you and your financial situation.

A mortgage is not one of those things in life that is best discovered under duress. Always speak to your mortgage/loan specialist to get his opinion as to the best course of action for your situation. Most preapprovals are painless, free and require only a day or so to put together, and so consumers have no reason not to know their buying power.

A preapproval letter does not commit you to buy a home; nei-

ther does it guarantee you a mortgage; rather, it is simply the first step in finding out if, and for how much, you qualify to buy a house.

In the end, it is usually best to know what you can afford before you walk into a home, fall in love, and later discover that you can't afford. That is a disappointment that is unnecessary if you get preapproved first before you shop.

One of the biggest frustrations for home buyers is to set the bar too high by looking at homes that turn out to be out of their financial grasp. It is far better to look at less expensive homes and have the option to move up to more expensive houses. Even a \$20,000 swing can be a difference in homes in most communities, and so, if you begin your expectations with knowing what you can reasonably afford, then you will undoubtedly be delighted with the outcomes that came with only looking at those homes that were in your price range. Remember, even though you may be excited about getting out there and seeing homes — if you are not preapproved, what you hoped for may not be what you get in the end.

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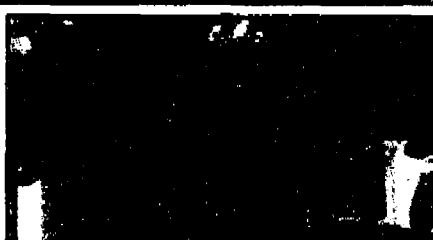
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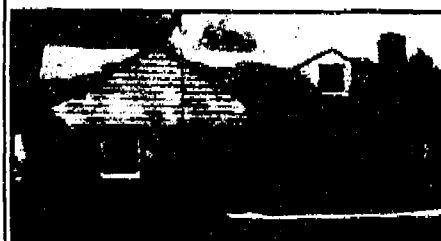
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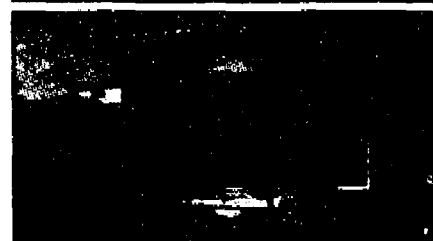
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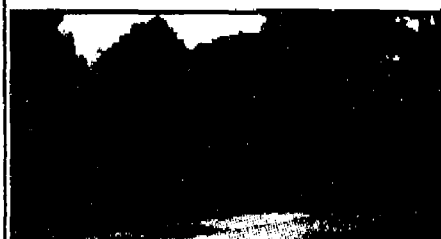
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GROSSE POINTE FARMS Cape Cod
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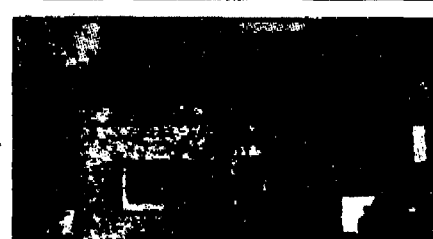
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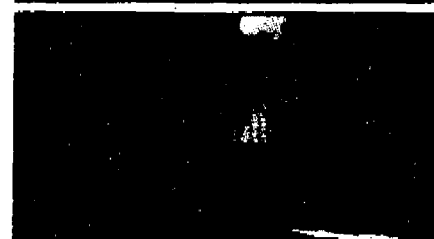
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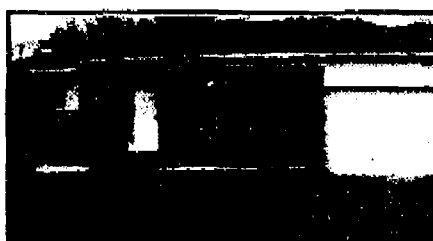
GROSSE POINTE FARMS Colonial
Fireplace with Pewabic tile. Hardwood floors throughout. Kitchen appliances. Copper plumbing. Built-in bookshelves. Security system. Gas forced air heat. Four bedrooms, one and one half baths. Gorgeous neighborhood.
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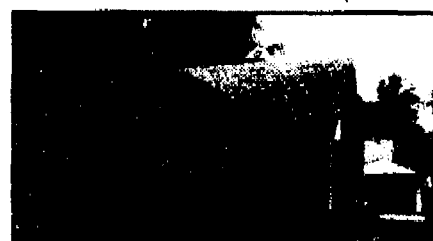
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Updates Galore
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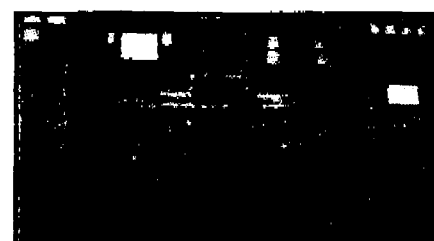
GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Attention
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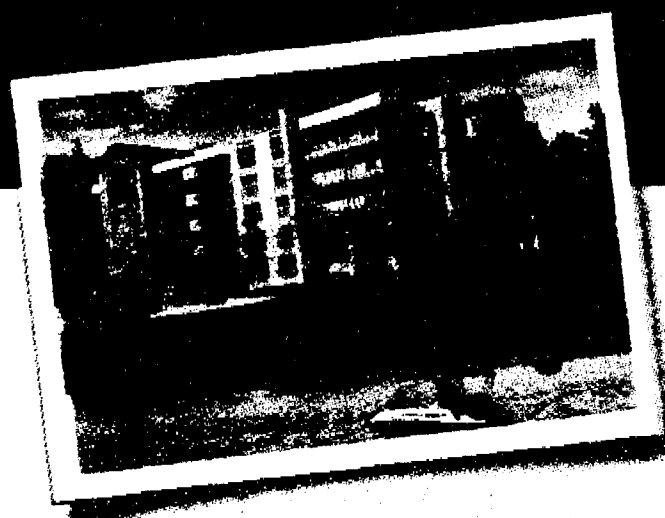
DETROIT A Real Gem
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Understanding Credit Scoring & Credit Repair

Credit remediation is a subject consumers often face with fear and trepidation, and for good reason. With the exception of recognizing that the best score wins, the average home shopper knows very little about the whole credit scoring process. Sub-prime borrowers who are eager to move into A-Paper territory often find themselves at a loss when trying to find ways to upgrade their credit history. The good news is there are ways to improve less-than-perfect credit scores and obtain a loan for the home you really want.

The first step in the process is making sure that you have a current copy of your credit report. Congress recently amended the Fair Credit Reporting Act so that consumers may now receive one free credit report annually. There are three major credit bureaus: Equifax, Experian, and Transunion. Since entries can vary across bureaus, you'll want to request a free report from each of the three companies. (Go to www.annualcreditreport.com)

It's also important to know just what a good credit score is. Most A-Paper scores generally begin around 680, although this number may differ slightly. Don't despair if you come up shy, there is always room for improvement. Increasing your score just 5 points can save a significant amount of money. For example, if your score is 698 and you increase it to 703, there could be thousands of dollars saved over the course of a mortgage because of the improvement in your home loan rate.

While there is no magic pill for some, there are ways to improve your credit score. If you have a credit score of 650, you can enhance your score by following these steps:

Evenly distribute your credit debt. Don't put all your credit in one place. Let's say you have a credit score of 665. If you have a credit card with a balance of \$1,000 and a credit limit of \$1,000, that's a 100% utilization rate. If you have a credit card with a balance of \$500 and a credit limit of \$1,000, that's a 50% utilization rate. The first card could move you closer, and possibly into, the next bracket.

★ Keep your existing accounts open and active. Many consumers are anxious to close credit card accounts that have zero balances. This can cause them to lose the benefits of a long-term credit history and increase their ratio of debt-to-available credit. Think twice before closing these old accounts.

When it comes to a minimum credit history, you need at least one credit account that is active for 12 months. If you have a credit score of 650 points. When it comes to auto and auto loans, even though you're only looking for one, request your credit report. To ensure the score is accurate, request multiple auto or auto loans. If you have a credit score of 650, request just one inquiry, so try and stay within the 14-day limit.

Remember, credit scores don't change overnight. Improving them requires time and diligent effort on your part, so it's a good idea to get the ball rolling at least three to six months prior to submitting your application for home financing.

If credit repair is what you need, you can either begin the process yourself or seek out a repair service. If you decide to make your own improvements, visit as many Web sites as possible to get information regarding credit laws and consumer rights. Diligently search through them and educate yourself to ensure that you don't sustain any self-inflicted wounds. A good place to start would be the Federal Trade Commission's Web site, which contains a wealth of helpful literature.

If you're facing severe or complicated credit issues, then you'll probably want to enlist the assistance of a professional credit repair company. Before you do, be sure to familiarize yourself with the FTC's regulations on credit repair. With more than 1100 credit repair companies to choose from, it's important to be certain you are dealing with a reputable firm. Examine the FTC's information on fraudulent practices to avoid falling prey to credit repair scams.

Addressing credit issues can be uncomfortable to say the least. But by taking these steps now, you'll be that much closer to obtaining the home of your dreams.

Additional Resources:

Patrick Berns, Mortgage Consultant, Flagstar Bank, FSB, www.patrickberns.com. To order your free credit report, go to: www.annualcreditreport.com.

To read the Fair Credit Reporting Act, go to: www.ftc.gov/os/statutes/frcra.htm.

For the Federal Trade Commission's information on consumer credit, go to: www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/credit/index.html.

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Pervious concrete — the pavement with a thirst

Finding a balance between commercial urbanization and the environment has always been a challenge for municipalities, commercial developers and property owners.

As available land area in Michigan gets paved over, a larger amount of rainwater ends up falling on impervious surfaces, such as parking lots, driveways, sidewalks and streets, rather than soaking into the soil. As a result, vegetation is deprived of water, the need for irrigation is increased, ground water and water resources are depleted, storm water runoff increases and the quality of runoff is degraded.

Storm water runoff is a leading source of the pollutants entering our waterways. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, about 90 percent of surface pollutants are carried by the first 1 1/2 inches of rainfall. Storm water drains don't typically channel this polluted runoff to treatment facilities, but instead convey it directly into local water bodies. This can increase algae content, harm aquatic life and require expensive treatments to make the water potable.

A simple solution to avoiding these problems is to stop installing the impervious surfaces that block natural water infiltration into the soil. But few of us are ready to give up our paved roads, driveways and parking lots.

Rather than building them with conventional concrete or asphalt, more and more municipalities and businesses are switching to pervi-

Highly porous concrete is an environmentally and financially sound solution for municipalities, developers and property owners

ous concrete — a material that offers the inherent durability and low life-cycle costs of a typical concrete pavement while retaining storm water runoff and replenishing local watershed systems.

Pervious concrete is structural concrete pavement with a large volume (15 to 35 percent) of interconnected voids. Like conventional concrete, it's made from a mixture of cement, coarse aggregates and water. However, it contains little or no sand, which results in a porous open-cell structure that water passes through readily.

The open-void structure in the porous pavement allows cooler soil temperatures from below to cool the pavement. These factors allow porous pavement systems to approach natural ground cover in heat absorption and storage capacity.

Unlike traditional concrete or asphalt, pervious pavements provide improved filtration and an enormous amount of surface area

to catch oils and chemical pollutants. Certain types of porous pavement can pass 3 to 5 gallons of water per minute, which is far greater than most conceivable rain events and highly effective in controlling storm water drainage.

Instead of preventing infiltration of water into the soil, pervious concrete assists the process by capturing rainwater in a network of voids and allowing it to percolate into the underlying soil.

In many cases, pervious concrete roadways and parking lots can double as water retention structures, reducing or eliminating the need for traditional and costly storm water management systems, such as retention ponds and sewer tie-ins.

Because pervious pavements allow rainwater to seep into the ground through the pavement:

- Vegetation is naturally watered, reducing the need for costly irrigation,
- Ground water is recharged,
- Water resources are preserved,
- Storm water runoff is reduced, and
- Storm water runoff quality is improved, while hydrocarbon pollution from asphalt pavements and sealers is eliminated.

Although pervious concrete is porous, it is still very strong and durable. It is possible to achieve pervious concrete compressive strengths of 3,000 to 4,000 PSI and flexural strengths of 500 to 600 PSI, which are on par with conventional concrete. With the use of admixtures, today's pervi-

ous concrete mixes can be made with less water, which improves strength and durability.

Also, better placement methods have resulted in tighter pavements that maintain point-to-point contact of all the aggregates while providing the necessary void content.


In addition to storm water control, pervious concrete pavements aid in reducing the urban heat island effect. Because they are light in color and have an open-cell structure, pervious concrete pavements don't absorb and store heat and then radiate it back into the environment as does a typical asphalt surface. The open-void structure of the pervious pavement also allows cooler soil temperatures from below to cool the pavement.

Beyond helping the environment, pervious concrete pavements are also safer for drivers and pedestrians. Because pervious concrete absorbs water rather than allowing it to puddle, it reduces hydroplaning and tire spray.

The initial costs for pervious concrete pavements are slightly higher than those for conventional concrete or asphalt paving, because pervious concrete is thicker than regular concrete. But the life-cycle costs for pervious concrete are substantially lower.


Here are some of the savings provided by pervious concrete:

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1027 HARVARD • \$619,900

Sophisticated New York style Colonial with a 75 ft. lot, 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths. Fabulous new kitchen with granite counters and a granite island. Superior appliances, large eating area and custom cabinetry. Sunny family room with sliding glass doors to a brick patio, gumwood library with extensive shelving. Finished basement with carpeted rec room and fireplace, work room and laundry room. 4 bedrooms and 2 full baths on the second floor (master bath is new) and a charming bedroom, bath(new) and large storage area on the 3rd floor. Call for a private showing!




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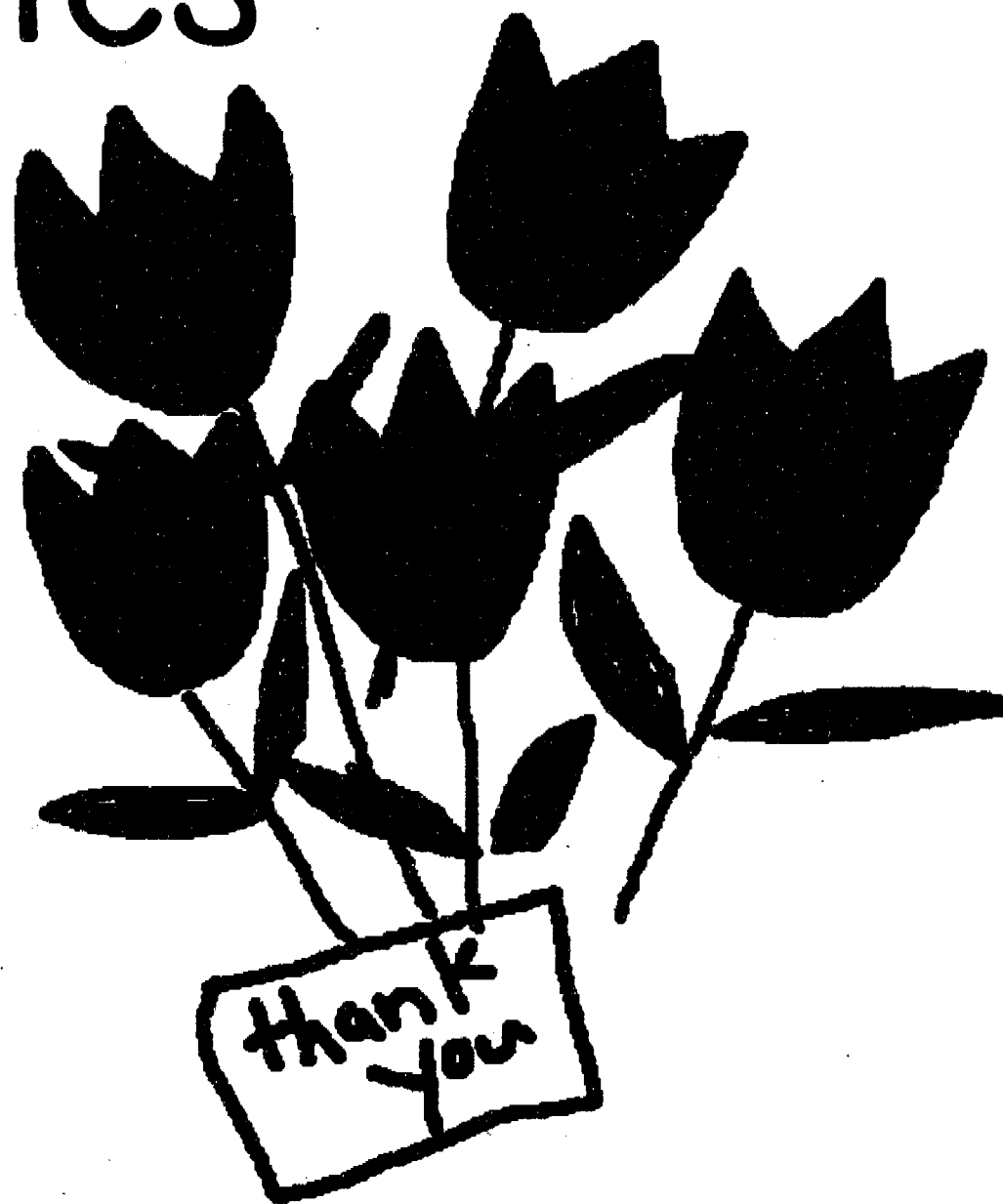
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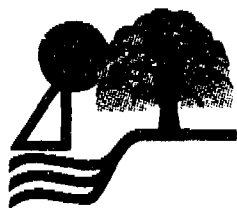
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Great house. Great location. Great price. This four bedroom, three and a half bath center entrance colonial has a large new family room. It is beautifully decorated and ready for your family to move in! \$599,900

#1

OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 25, 2-4 PM

Rare find in Grosse Pointe Park. This newer home with open floor plan and generous room sizes make this a great home to raise a family as well as entertain friends. There are 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room and a finished basement with full bath. \$599,000

1839 AUDUBON #2

FIRST OFFERING

Sophisticated New York style colonial with a 75 ft. lot, 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths. Fabulous new kitchen with granite counters and a granite island. Sunny family room with sliding glass doors to a brick patio. Finished basement with carpeted recreation room and fireplace. \$619,900

#3

FIRST OFFERING

NEAR WINDMILL POINTE DRIVE, this handsome residence has been tastefully decorated. You are greeted by the sweeping staircase, gleaming hardwood floors and the family room with its striking fireplace & newly designed mantle & threshold. 4 large bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, first floor laundry, and cheerful kitchen w/eating area. #4

FIRST OFFERING

OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 25, 2-4 PM

Charming three bedroom Colonial with beautiful large family room off kitchen with built-ins, finished divided basement, new siding & landscape, updated windows throughout and much more. OPEN SUNDAY - come see for yourself!

1378 AUDUBON #5

Magnificent lake front estate offers sublime wooded drive which leads to the impressive motor court. Newly constructed, the distinctive architectural design offers an incomparable lifestyle. Brochure available.

#6

ELEGANCE AND SOPHISTICATION. In-laid marble and herringbone wood floors, crisp dentil & crown moldings, and numerous fireplaces. Updated gourmet kitchen with granite counters, marble master bath. Extensive walled grounds. \$2,295,000

#7

Views, Views and Views! Watch the boats go by. Dramatic contemporary home with first floor master bedroom suite with fireplace, dressing rooms and second story loft office, and of course lake views. Vaulted tray ceiling in family room with lake views. Immaculate grounds. 5 bedrooms & 4 2/2 baths. \$2,275,000

#8

This architecturally distinctive home offers soaring ceilings, a dramatic central courtyard w/sky lighted ceiling, gallery with rare bleached limestone columns, magnificent dining room with carved plaster moldings, stained glass and extensive use of oak and walnut. Transcend the ordinary. \$1,675,000

#9

Gracious lake front residence in the Farms. 140 feet of lake front and over an acre of property. Living room with new fireplace & bay and adjacent family room both have commanding lake views. First floor master with lake views.

#10

This Wallace Frost designed house is fabulous in every regard. Perfect for elegant, as well as casual entertaining. Guests stay in their own apartment with separate entrance. Six bedrooms, six full and two half baths. Impressive new family room overlooking bluestone terrace and private yard.

#11

Superb French Regency built by Micou. Features first and second floor master bedrooms. Lake views from most rooms. Mutschler kitchen with granite island. Paneled library has a gas fireplace and wet bar. Fabulous second floor master bath features dressing room, Jacuzzi tub, double sinks and three skylights.

#12

MAGNIFICENT GEORGIAN COLONIAL offers the ultimate in style and elegance in an uncompromised setting. This distinctive residence provides five bedrooms, five 1/2 new baths, exceptional family room, library and great kitchen. Extra lot included. \$1,395,000

#13

Charming five bedroom French Tudor with old world craftsmanship and charm such as numerous fireplaces, paneled and coffered ceilings and gleaming hardwood floors. Gourmet kitchen with fireplace and a romantic master suite with fireplace, updated bath and a dressing room. \$1,299,000

#14

Located among grand estates, this handsome Tudor is situated within lushly landscaped grounds and gardens (235x160) and offers a truly spectacular dining room with fireplace and carved mantle. Cozy walnut paneled library with fireplace. Garages for 4 cars. \$1,150,000

#15

PRICE REDUCED!

Private and secluded location in Farms. Every room in this 5 bedroom, 6 1/2 bath Colonial has been renovated! Luxurious new baths, new gourmet kitchen. Tear off roof. New furnace & central air. New plumbing/new electrical. Gleaming hardwood floors throughout. Spectacular lower level. Move-in condition.

#16

CLASSIC ARCHITECTURE in quiet setting in Grosse Pointe Shores. This handsome four bedroom, four 1/2 bath residence provides a gracious floor plan with careful updates. Fabulous master bedroom with fireplace, luxurious bath and exceptionally large closet. Private yard. \$1,055,000

#17

Fabulous home within the gates of Windemere Place. An elegant master bedroom with tray ceiling, bay window, 2 walk-ins, fireplace, and large private bath. First floor laundry, new kitchen with granite countertops, new resilient deck off living room and kitchen. \$999,900

#18

134 feet of Lakefront living with steel seawall. Sunrise to sunset views of Lake St. Clair. Janet Macunovich designed gardens. Well maintained six bedroom colonial with charm and a serene private setting with an "Up North" feel.

#19

OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM

LARGE PRICE REDUCTION! Situated on a private lane one house from Lake St. Clair, this home boasts 4,000 square feet of living area. Featuring a spacious kitchen & family room with a natural fireplace overlooking a private yard. Paneled library, master suite with a fireplace & an attached garage. \$795,000. 2 ISLAND LANE

#20

Bright and sunny 6 bedroom colonial on tree-lined cul de sac in Grosse Pointe Shores. Updated kitchen with cherry cabinets and granite counters and adjacent family room. Spectacular new first floor laundry. Professionally landscaped grounds with manicured perennial gardens. \$750,000

#21

Located on a quiet and secluded private lane near Lake St. Clair, this elegant 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath Colonial offers a first floor master suite with newer bath. Bright and sunny rooms, gleaming hardwood floors, crown moldings, low maintenance gardens. By appointment. \$795,000

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FIRST OFFERING

OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM

Super 3 bedroom Colonial for the first time buyer on a great street. 1450 sq. ft. Includes a living room, formal dining room, roomy kitchen and attached family room. Finished basement with built-in cabinets and half bath. Newer roof, new furnace and hot water tank. 2 car garage. 978 WASHINGTON #23

PRICE REDUCED!

41 PAIR ACRES. Gracious Center Hall Colonial on sought after quiet street in G.P. Farms. Master bedroom & bath on first floor. 3 full baths. New glass enclosed 3 season room off kitchen overlooks brick patio & fabulous gardens. Finished basement, rec. room, library/den, newer furnace, HW/H, windows, kit. appliances. \$748,000 #24

PRICE REDUCED!

A secluded location in the Farms offers a 4 bedroom, 3 full and 2 half bath home with newer gourmet kitchen and adjacent family room with fireplace. Fireplaces in the formal living room and elegant paneled library too. An elevator accesses all three floors. Private lakefront park. \$395,000 #25



Tremendous value in a fabulous location. Over 3,100 square feet with 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, family room and a large library. Finished basement with a fireplace, new carpeting and half bath. A 100 foot lot with beautiful landscaping and an attached garage. Impeccably clean! \$589,900 #26



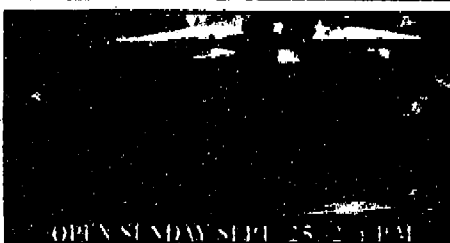
DISTINCTIVE HARBOR PLACE TOWNHOUSE offers the finest in luxurious carefree living. This handsomely appointed three bedroom, two and one half bath home provides a dramatic great room with fireplace that opens to the private brick patio and first floor master. #27



Located on a quiet cul de sac leading to the lake, this beautifully renovated home offers casual living with an open floor plan. Four bedrooms, three and a half baths, and a four car garage. Over 3,200 square feet on a spacious lot. First floor laundry & professionally finished basement are good reasons to call today. \$699,000 #28



OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM
Spectacular colonial within walking distance to the Village. Tastefully decorated, four bedrooms, three and one half baths, huge kitchen overlooking backyard patio and pool, family room, library, four season sun room and finished basement. \$629,900 1117 BISHOP #29



OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM
Stunning Colonial situated on a rolling lot in a prime area of Grosse Pointe Farms. Huge kitchen/gathering room with center island & wet bar. Charming paneled library with fireplace and a glorious sunny family room overlooking the terraced yard. \$549,000 192 CHARLEVOIX #30



TRANQUIL LOCATION IN THE FARMS for the construction of your dream home. Two lots are available, each are approximately three quarters of an acre, in the fabulous wooded, hilltop setting. Choose your own builder and enjoy a brand new home in 2005! \$550,000 per lot. #31



OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM
STUNNING ENGLISH in favorite Park location offers a cheerful, kitchen with island and eating area. There is also a den and screened terrace. The master bedroom suite has a private bath and sitting room/fifth bedroom. New roof and central air. \$535,000 1150 BEDFORD #32



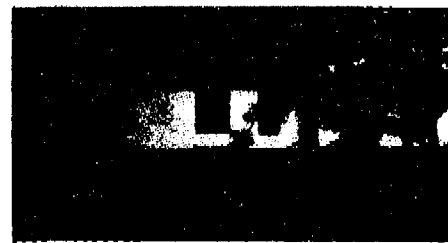
Superior style, design and location. Classy 4 bedroom, 2 and one half bath updated colonial on quiet no-thru street. Newer gourmet kitchen, replacement windows, newly paneled library. Extensive storage and closets. All this for only \$495,000. #33



Yesterday meets today! Charming and carefully remodeled, this 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial is an architect's dream come true. Beautiful master suite with vaulted ceiling, skylight and newer bath. Gourmet kitchen with center island and attached family room. Garages for four cars. \$475,000 #34



SIMPLY WONDERFUL! This pretty 4 bedroom, 2 full and 2 half bath colonial has a great new kitchen with cherry cabinets, oak floor, Corian countertops and island which open to the expansive family room with fireplace. Newly carpeted and painted. \$449,900. #35



LIVE THE LIFE OF LEISURE in this fabulously renovated condominium townhouse within walking distance of the Village shops & restaurants. Stunning décor, kitchen and baths. Call today for a private showing. \$449,000 #36



It's a Wow! Decorating is done - refinished hardwood floors throughout, natural fireplace in living room, new cherry kitchen, huge master suite with Jacuzzi, separate shower and walk-in closet, family room with gas fireplace, finished recreation room. \$419,900 #37



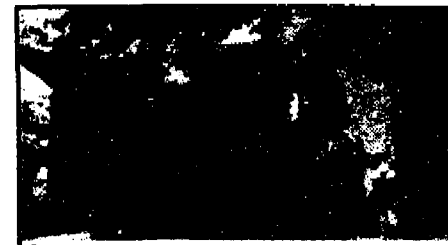
Striking newer construction condo in private Association; 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths with full bath in finished extra deep basement; hardwood flooring in many areas, white kitchen w/island; first floor laundry area. \$549,000 #38



Classic four bedroom, two and a half bath colonial with newer kitchen and breakfast room located on a popular street near the Village and schools. The home boasts newer windows, newer roof and backyard playhouse with electricity! \$399,900 #39



Spacious, sophisticated full service condo in elegant Detroit Towers on the 4th floor w/full Detroit River views! Beautifully decorated with refinished hardwood floors, 3rd full bath (new) and guest room, gas fireplace, newer windows. Custom window treatments. Private elevator service, resident manager and valet parking. #40



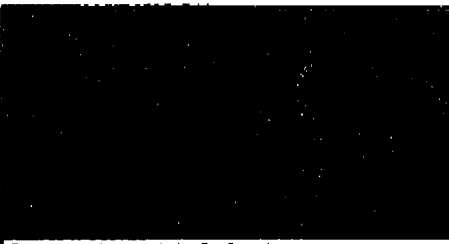
Charm abounds in this five bedroom, four bath home located in popular location in the City of Grosse Pointe. The updated spacious kitchen, newer roof and windows, three car garage, and new deck are just some of the special features! \$399,900 #41



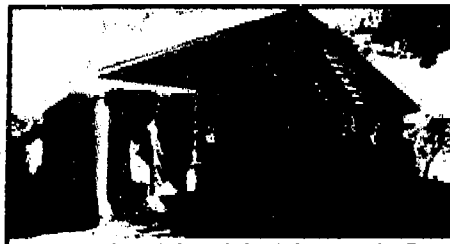
Great location for this duplex. Three bedrooms, plus one and one half baths. Many recent updates. Units same size, rents for \$1,100/month. Natural fireplace in living room, formal dining room plus eating space in kitchen. Immediate occupancy. Priced to sell. #42



GREAT VALUE for the location. Charming three bedroom, two and a half bath Colonial with a family room. New décor with beautifully refinished hardwood floors. Priced at only \$327,000. #43



Gorgeous views of Lake St. Clair from this third floor and unit of 400 on the Lake. This condo has been updated to include an enclosed porch, updated kitchen, library w/built-ins including a wine cooler, & tasteful decor throughout. The complex includes a boat well, pool, club house, tennis court, garage and carport. \$394,000 #44



Fabulously decorated ranch located on popular Farms street. Totally refurbished within the last 2 years with new custom kitchen, superb custom decorating, soft natural colors. Bay window in dining room, gas fireplace in living room, great basement. New York style backyard with perennials & charming patio. #45



Charming Townhouse Condo offers character and updates. Newer kitchen with granite countertops and Sub-Zero. Three floors of living space with six bedrooms and three and a half baths. Central air, hardwood floors, living room with natural fireplace. One car garage and secluded courtyard. Immediate occupancy. \$375,500 #46



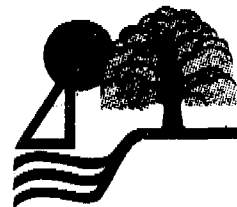
Clinton Township Condominium. Lower level has 800 SF of living space! Features include newer Barber cpt, fresh paint, wood floors (KIT/DIN), lots of closets/storage, huge rooms & a private deck, all appliances, vaulted ceiling, skylights, gas FP, balcony, garden window, counters w/ceramic tile inlay and copper plumbing. #47

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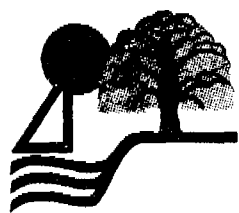


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Walk to Monteith and Brownell. Updates done: Mutschler kitchen, Pella windows, six panel doors, tear-off roof, new siding, copper plumbing, glass block windows, deck with grill, motion sensitive lighting. Awesome master suite. \$339,900
422 ROLAND #48



Two for the Price of One! Beautiful brick 2 unit multi-family in great location in the Park. Second floor tenant occupied. Each unit offers two bedrooms, two full baths, den & fireplace. Separate utilities. Absolutely impeccable. \$327,900
#49



Mt. Vernon Colonial has all your looking for... three bedrooms, two and a half baths, family room with fireplace, recreation room, two car garage, and priced right! Quick occupancy.
#50



This Farms Colonial is loaded with attractive features. Updated kitchen w/Pewabic accents, hardwood floors, newer boiler, electric and copper plumbing. Professionally decorated. Finished recreation room w/Pergo and recessed lighting. Updated powder room, custom closets. Beautiful perennial gardens.
#51



At 1608 Brys you will be impressed with the maple kitchen (including stainless steel appliances), fam. rm. w/mahogany floor & remote control fireplace; tear off roof, Andersen windows, and new furnace & central air. This 3 bedroom, 1 and one half bath colonial is a bargain at \$253,900!!
#52



It's a classic! This is a lovely three bedroom, two full bath home east of Mack in the Woods. Don't miss the refinished hardwood floors and freshly painted rooms. Your family will relax on the large deck. Priced at only \$214,900.
#53



SPECIAL COLONIAL on Meadow Lane offers quiet cul-de-sac setting for this darling 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with a great floor plan. Wonderful terrace with awning, master bedroom with fireplace and updated kitchen are just a few highlights.
#54



Great location - 3 bedroom brick ranch in South Lake School District. Many improvements in last five years. Kitchen, furnace, central air, cement patio, garage doors w/opener, patio doors. Full bath in basement that is finished. Copper plumbing & updated electrical. Hardwood floors.
#55



\$189,900 lands you in Beautiful North Warren! This beautiful 3 bdrm/1.5 bath Colonial is ready for you to move in: Updated bath, kitchen; newer furnace, central air, water heater, driveway, & more. 30505 McGrath (13 Mile/Hoover) even has a family room & deck!! It's wonderful.
#56



Owner out of State says "MAKE OFFER". Newer kitchen, updated lower level with lavatory. Newer windows, central air, furnace, hardwoods. Nice Woods location under \$174,900
#57



Huge amount of living space just off the Nautical Mile! A first floor master bedroom & bath is just the tip of the fine features: A huge FR w/tpl, rich wood kitchen cabinetry, kitchen appliances included; finished bsmt. & more.
#58



Three bedroom, one bath brick bungalow in great Woods neighborhood. Newer roof. Hardwood floors, wet plaster walls. Freshly painted and carpeted. Fenced yard with kennel. One and a half car detached garage. Great price!
#59



Incredible home in unbelievable condition. Beautifully updated, impeccably clean 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch. Newer kitchen, large eating area & good storage. Finished basement with paneling, drop ceiling, half bath & carpeting. Refrigerator, stove, dishwasher & washer stay.
#60



Need room to expand with Grosse Pointe Schools? This 4 bedroom bungalow fits the bill. Newer roof, replacement windows, newer furnace, newer central air and electric service all new since 1998. Living room with fireplace. Recreation room too! Immediate occupancy.
#61



Story book house, oozing charm. Newer white kitchen, ceramic tile floor, newer furnace and central air, newer windows, newer French doors to 2-tiered deck. Large bathroom with newer tile. Natural fireplace, refinished hardwood floors. Freshly painted. Super location. Home warranty.
#62



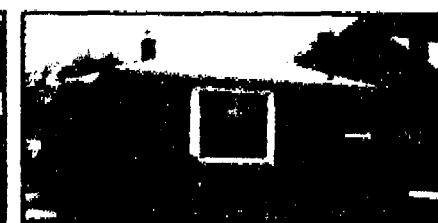
Well maintained three bedroom, one bath home on lovely street in Harper Woods. Grosse Pointe Schools. Newer kitchen, roof, furnace. Refinished hardwood floors, new dishwasher. Bay window in dining room.
#63



4165 Grayton in East English Village is charming: 3 bedroom, one bath, a beautiful home with lovely rich décor. \$139,000 is the price that gets you an updated kitchen, fireplace, central air, deck, Florida room and much more!
#64



PRICE REDUCED!
Three bedroom brick ranch on a lovely street in Harper Woods. Deep lot, two car garage, natural fireplace in living room. Very clean. Lav in finished basement. \$131,900
#65



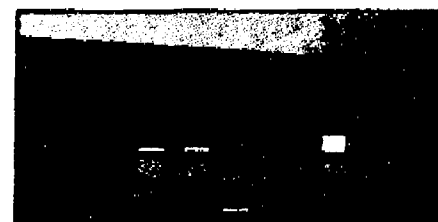
OPEN SUNDAY SEPT. 18, 2-4 PM
Charming ranch east of I-94 in beautiful condition. Three bedrooms, one full bath plus full bath in basement, newer kitchen with oak cabinets, hardwood floors under the carpeting. All appliances included. Two car garage with new driveway in 2000. Unbelievable! \$124,900 21355 NEWCASTLE
#66



Beautiful four bedroom bungalow with two new bathrooms; new second floor w/two bedrooms, sitting room, & one of those new baths; updated kitchen (ref/range included); all new carpet/paint throughout, furnace, electric (100 amp cb), insulation, glass block windows & newer roof.
#67



Charming bungalow with wonderful new kitchen (new hardwood flooring, oak cabinets, granite countertops). Divided partially finished basement w/great storage. Two car tandem garage, home freshly painted inside and out. 3873 Grayton in East English Village attractively priced at \$109,900
#68



Rare Ranch Condo with two bedrooms & two baths!! 22757 Garfield (12 & Jefferson) is priced well @ \$116,900. A very spacious living room, dining room & kitchen provide lots of living space. All appliances are included in this end unit. A private lakelakefront park caps off this tremendous value.
#69



East English Village! \$115,000 for this dual peak Tudor Bungalow. Three bedrooms, breakfast nook, natural fireplace, step-up dining room, all appliances included - This home is ready to move into! There is a HUGE extra space adjacent to the upper bedroom. Perfect for a spacious master bath. 5570 Grayton awaits you.
#70



Spacious three bedroom, one and a half bath home. Large front porch. Natural fireplace in living room. All appliances included. Newer gas forced air furnace. \$99,900
#71



Yep... It's a beautiful Sterling Heights Condo - \$89,900 for this two bedroom/two bath condo @ 16/Schoenherr. 13915 Camelot has a brand new kitchen and not one, but two brand new baths, and the balance of the unit is just as gorgeous.
#72

Concrete

From page 8

- Lower installation costs. According to the Center for Watershed Protection, installing traditional curbs, gutters, storm drain inlets, piping and retention basins can cost two to three times more than low-impact strategies for handling water runoff, such as pervious concrete. Projects that use pervious concrete typically don't need storm sewer ties-ins, which eliminates the cost of installing underground piping and storm drains. Grading requirements for the pavement are also reduced because there is no need to slope the parking area to storm drains.

- Permits the use of existing sewer systems. Pervious concrete may also reduce the need for municipalities to increase the size of existing storm sewer systems to accommodate new residential and commercial developments.

- Increased land utilization.

Since a pervious concrete pavement doubles as a storm water management system, there is no need to purchase additional land for installing large retention ponds and other water-retention and filtering systems. That means developers and property owners can use land more efficiently and maximize the return on their investment.

- Lower life-cycle costs. Pervious concrete is a sustainable paving material, with a life expectancy equal to that of regular concrete. Most parking areas, when properly constructed, will last 20 to 40 years.

This combination of environmental and economic features makes pervious concrete a very attractive green and sustainable building material for Michigan municipalities, developers and property owners.

The Michigan Concrete Association was established in 1952 as a forum for the state's ready mixed concrete industry and as an educational resource for consumers.

8000 HARBOR PLACE



St. Clair Shores • \$535,000

Spectacular condo on the Nautical Mile! Luxurious private gated condo area, just a few steps to the lake. Professionally decorated. Great Room combination: Living - Dining - Library/Den - with built-ins. Glass wall overlooking patio. First floor bedroom suite with private bath and walk-in closet. Large gourmet kitchen. Spacious laundry room. Two bedrooms on second floor plus home office. Two car attached garage. New landscaping. Boat slips available.

26027 FELICITY LANDING

Harrison Township • \$635,000

End unit condo with spectacular view of the lake! Freshly painted and decorated. Maple kitchen with granite counter tops and breakfast bar. Deck off kitchen and Great Room. Zoned heating and cooling. Elevator to first, second, and third level. Patio off entry level. Library with skylights, built-in bookshelves, and walk-in closet-ideal for home office or guest bedroom. Two car tandem attached garage.



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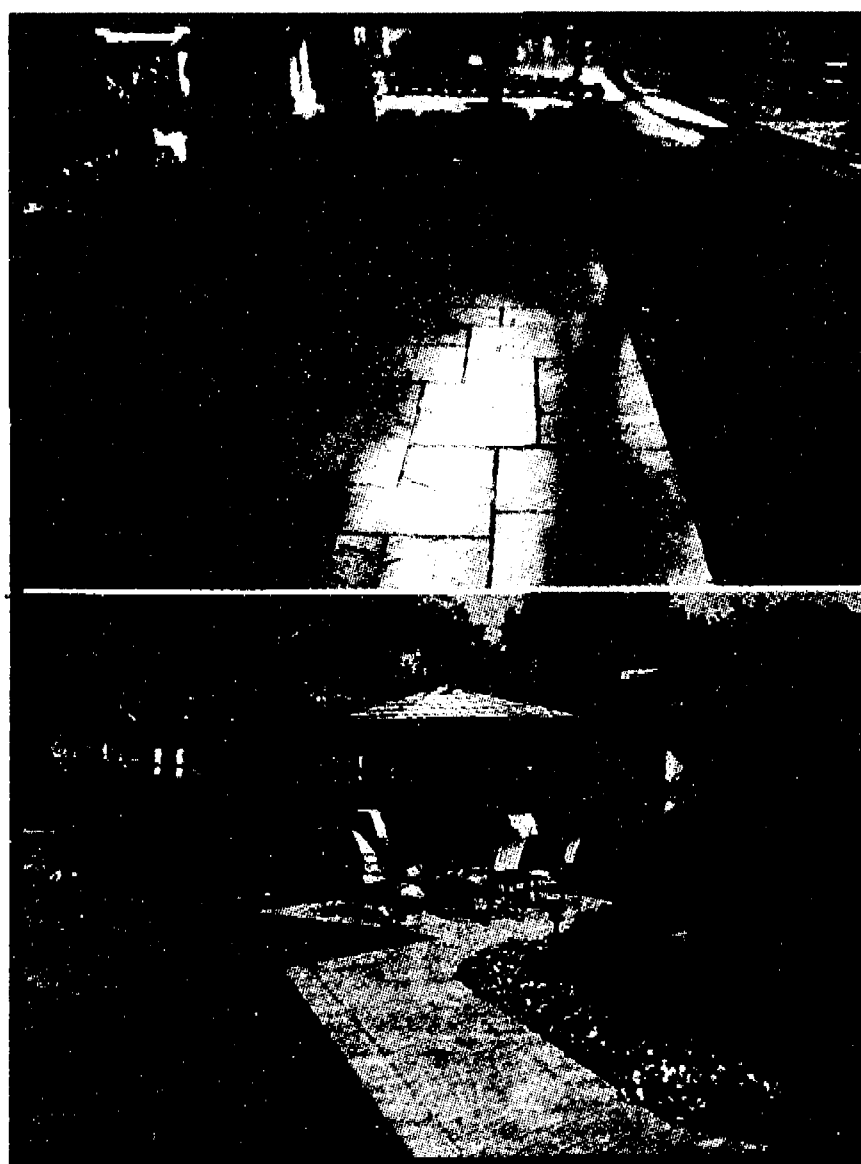
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1150 BEDFORD

MOVE IN CONDITION is evidenced in this handsome four-five bedroom, three and one half English home. Nicely decorated and updated, there is an updated kitchen with cherry kitchen, island and eating area, den, screened terrace, finished lower level, detailed moldings, hardwood floors and central air. \$535,000.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

MOVE ON DOWN THE ROAD to the end of this quiet cul-de-sac in the Farms. Here you'll find a delightful three bedroom, one and one half bath colonial with two fireplaces, cheerful kitchen with eating area, two car garage, terrace in the private yard and finished lower level. \$299,900.

GROSSE POINTE CITY

ONE GOOD MOVE deserves another! This beautification award winning residence features five bedrooms, five and one half baths colonial features a magnificent interior design with a great floor plan, inspired decor, spectacular family room, richly paneled library, remodeled kitchen with butler's pantry and third floor play room. \$1,395,900.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

SMART MOVE! This exciting four bedroom, four and one half bath colonial has been completely remodeled and redecorated to provide an uncompromised lifestyle. The extraordinary new kitchen will accommodate the whole gang. Walnut library, finished lower level with fireplace and sumptuous suite.

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

YOUR NEXT MOVE will be easy and you'll be rewarded with a low maintenance four bedroom, four and one half bath home near the lake in Grosse Pointe Shores. There is a delightful fresh decor that is highlighted by the convenient floorplan, oversized family room with fireplace and terrace. And, the master suite bedroom, wow!

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

MOVE ON UP to this unique Lakeshore residence in the Farms. With its first floor master bedroom, library, garden room with fireplace, family room, upstairs suite with sitting room and kitchenette, three car garage and lakefront parcel for private use, this is a rare find! Price reduced to \$1,690,000!

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IT'S A GREAT MOVE. This four bedroom, two full and two and a half bath colonial offers a brand new kitchen with eating area, first floor laundry, large family room with fireplace, recreation room and low maintenance exterior. MUST SELL!



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Collecting

By Larry Cox

Q. Several years ago, I purchased a collection of documents at a farm sale in Delaware. Most of the papers are Utah "gold rush" papers from the 1870s and 1880s. In addition to letters and surveys, there are maps and mining brochures. Where can I market this interesting lot?

— Sam, Littleton, Colo.

A. Warren Anderson is the owner of American West Archives and actively deals in pre-1920 mining documents of all types. Contact him at P.O. Box 100, Cedar City, UT 84721; e-mail, awa@netutah.com; Web site, americanwestarchives.com.

Q. I would like to find an appraiser for personal property, that I own. Can you help me?

— Ginny, Blairsville, Ga.

A. You can contact the International Society of Appraisers for a list of members in your area. Its address and telephone number are 1131 SW 7th St., Suite 105, Renton, WA 98055; and (206) 241-0359. You should expect to pay a fee for professional services.

Q. I have several dozen trading cards featuring airplanes from World War II. The cards were manufactured and distributed by Wing cigarettes. Whom can I contact to buy them?

— Fay, Silver Creek, N.Y.

A. Two dealers specializing in tobacco memorabilia are Mark Suozzi, P.O. Box 102, Ashfield, MA 01330; and J. Glenn, Main Street Antiques, 47 West Main St., P.O. Box 627, New Market, MD 21774.

Q. I have several books by O. Henry that were published during the early years of the last century. Are they valuable, and whom can I contact to sell them?

— Rosemary, Odessa, Texas

A. William Sidney Porter was born in North Carolina in 1862. During his lifetime, he wrote at least 300 short stories that were published under the pen name of O. Henry. His short stories and novels established him as one of the country's most important writers.

Typical prices for first editions listed in *Collected Books: The Guide to Values*, by Allen and

Patricia Ahearn, include "Roads of Destiny," \$150; "The Four Million," \$250; and "The Hiding of Black Bill," \$500. First editions are rather scarce, and what you might have are later printings, which are worth much less.

To find out more about the books in your collection, you might want to contact an established dealer. Three that specialize in American authors are Tom Haydon, Wessex Books, 558 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025; Howard Weetall, Antiquarian Bookworm, 4562 Skyland Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89121; and Jim Owens, Thorn Books, 5721 North Killdeer Drive, Tucson, AZ 85743. Always enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope when contacting experts mentioned in this column.

Q. Is there a flea market directory for the United States? I plan to spend this summer visiting as many as possible in the Northeast.

— Carol, North Canton, Ohio

A. One of the better reference books is the *Official Directory to U.S. Flea Markets*, which lists about 500 individual markets. It provides accurate and up-to-date information about each. You can order a copy through the publisher: House of Collectibles, 201 East 50th St., New York, NY 10022. The toll-free telephone number is (800) 733-3000.

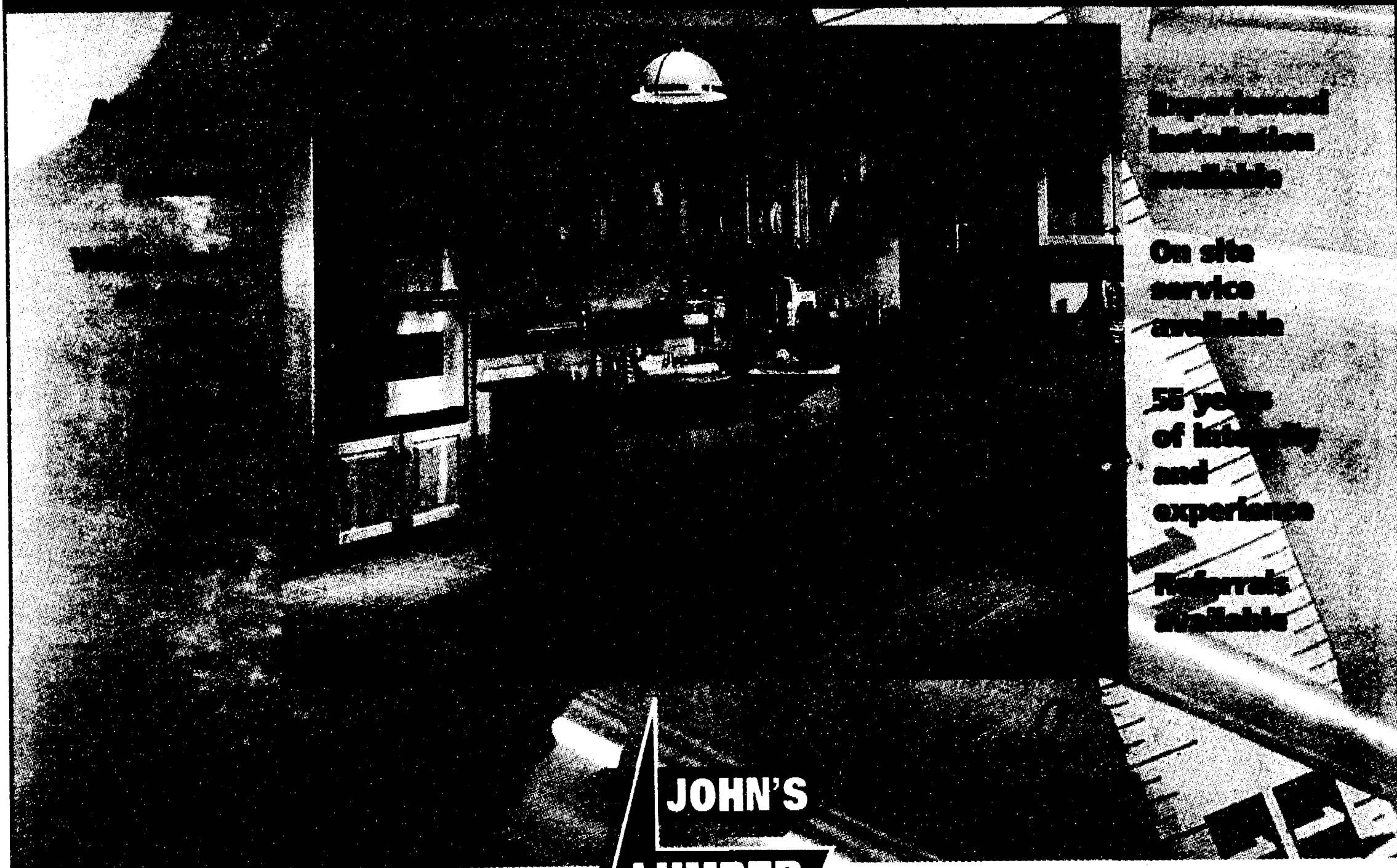
Q. I have a movie poster of "Sunset Pass" featuring James Warren. It was a Western that was produced by RKO in 1951. Whom can I contact to sell it?

— Leslie, Oconto, Wisc.

A. One of the better publications for Western movie memorabilia collectors is the *Old Time Western Film Club*, P.O. Box 142, Siler City, NC 27344. You might also want to contact dealer Jerry Ohlinger, Jerry Ohlinger's Movie Material Store, 242 West 14th St., New York, NY 10011.

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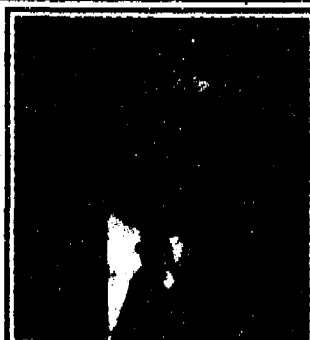
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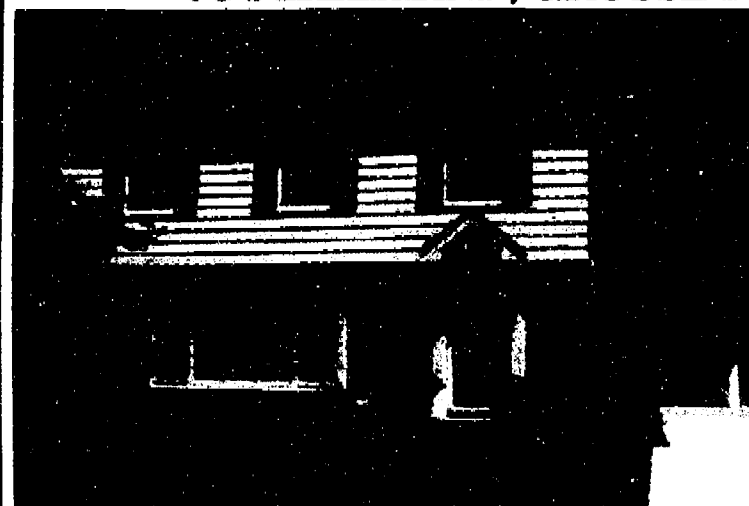
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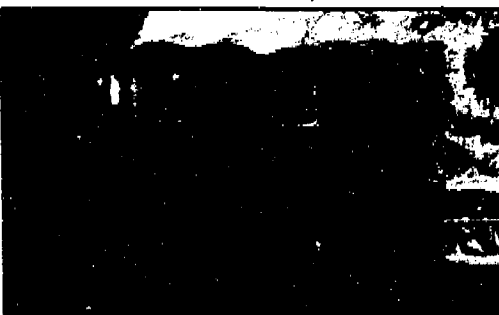
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4 CARMEL PLACE, GROSSE POINTE FARMS



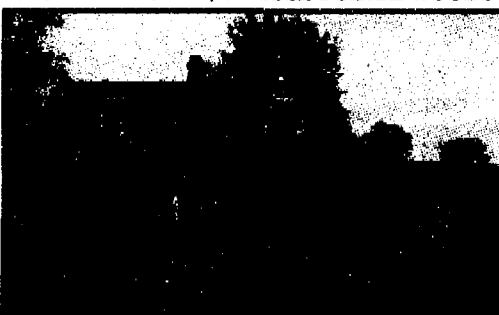
Lovely Colonial with outstanding views of Lake St. Clair! New kitchen with limestone counters and updates galore! Two new master bedrooms on first and second floors! Three new marble and ceramic baths. Gorgeous two story entrance foyer with marble floor. Wonderfully inviting floor plan. Fireplaces in sunken living room, master bedroom, sitting room, and marvelous lower level, which has a library, family room and so much more. Tandem four car attached garage. Raised porch overlooking the lake. \$1,395,000

20834 HUNT CLUB, HARPER WOODS



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548 HAWTHORNE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS



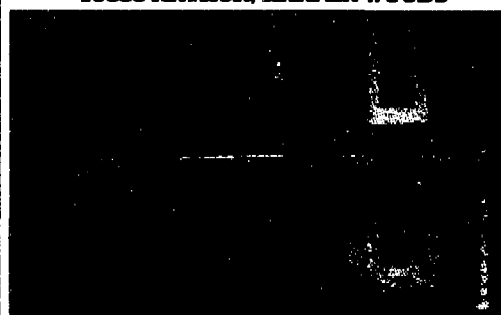
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19836 ARTHUR, HARPER WOODS

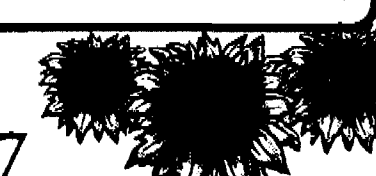


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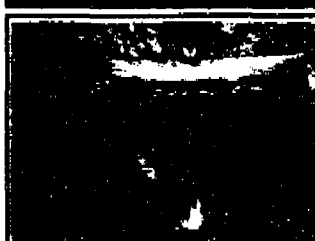
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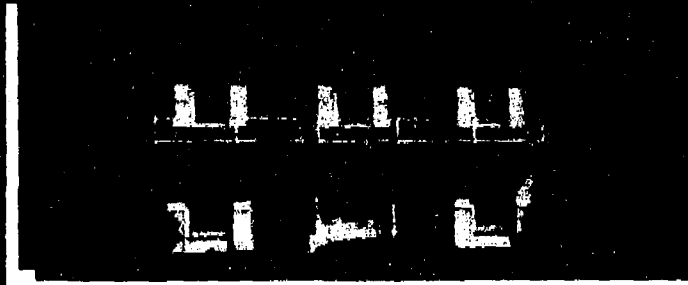
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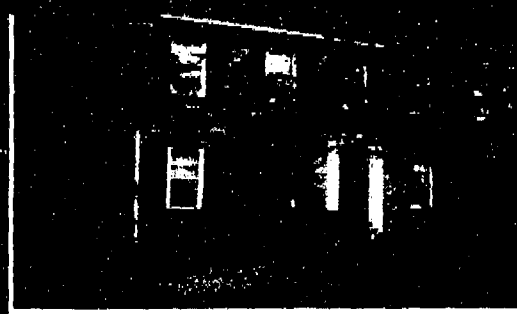


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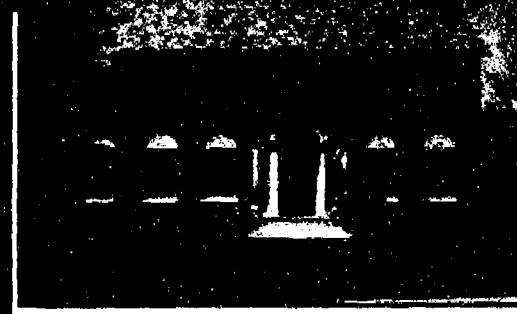
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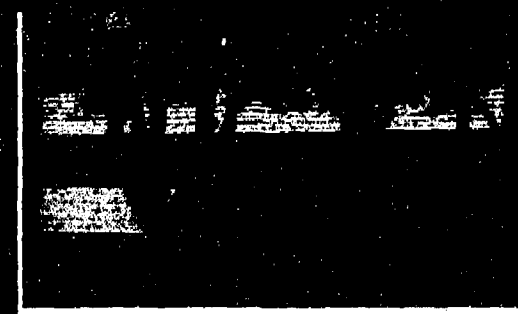
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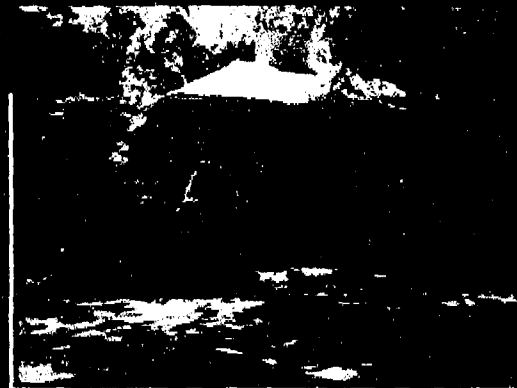
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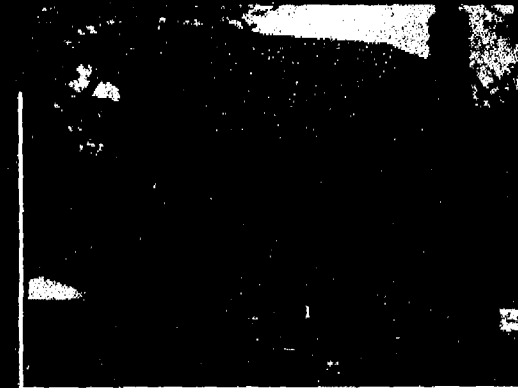
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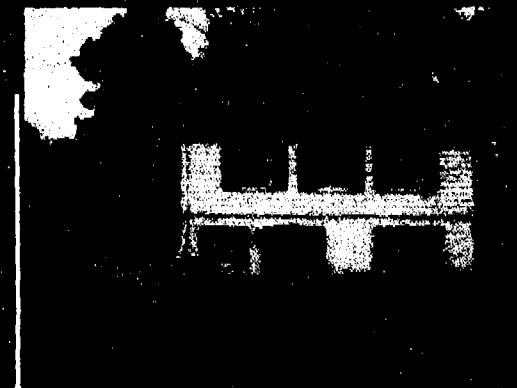
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