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WEEK AHEAD

Friday, Oct. 14

The Holiday Mart 2005 will be held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms, through Sunday, Oct. 16. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5. Proceeds benefit Planned Parenthood of Southeast Michigan.

Saturday, Oct. 15

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods presents "A Parenting Symposium: Challenges to Middle School Success," with keynote speaker Sean Hogan-Downey, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Admission is \$10 per person, \$15 per couple. Call (313) 432-3832.

Monday, Oct. 17

The Grosse Pointe Farms council meets at 7 p.m. in Farms City Hall, 90 Kerby.

The Grosse Pointe Woods council meets at 7:30 p.m. in Woods City Hall, 20025 Mack.

Wednesday, Oct. 19

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods conducts a program in which parents of children from birth to 5-years of age will be able to ask questions of education, health and safety experts.

It will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo. Free but limited babysitting will be available and admission is free.

For information and to reserve babysitting, call (313) 432-3832.

The Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council and the American Red Cross hold a Blood Drive from 1:30 to 7:15 p.m. at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20474 Sunningdale Pl., Grosse Pointe Woods.

Babysitting will be available upon request. For information and an appointment call (313) 882-5170.

The Grosse Pointe Shores council meets at 7 p.m. in Shores City Hall, 795 Lake Shore.

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will host a public forum of the City of Grosse Pointe mayoral and city council candidates from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee.

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Photo by Robert McKean

Richard Elementary School celebrated its 75th birthday on Sunday, Oct. 9, and invited the entire community to its party. Hundreds of parents, students, staff, alumni and neighbors gathered to reminisce, look at the old photos, dance, tour the school and eat birthday cake. Included in the festivities was the annual fall festival. Here a group of children dance the Hokey-Pokey. For more pictures, turn to page 13A.

Richard Elementary School celebrates 75th

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

The Richard family came home on Sunday, Oct. 9, to celebrate a birthday. Richard Elementary observed its 75th birthday and hosted a fall festival under a clear blue sky.

It was the best kind of day because good friends and families came together. They toured the school enjoying the camaraderie of being a family. There were children running, dancing, laughing and talking. Parents moved leisurely from group to group catching up with each other. There were birthday cake and cider. Staff listened to stories from the old days.

It was a picture worth preserving for the memory book of the school which opened on Sept. 30, 1930, with 15 full-time teachers and four part-time teachers.

Pictures and newspaper clippings

of the decades between 1930 and 1990 lined the first-floor hallway. Memorabilia was displayed in a case made by long-time custodian Jack Travis with materials ready to be thrown out. When lockers were replaced two years ago, he saved, among other things, two pair of scissors, crayons, a pencil, a thermos top, a tin box, two playing cards, a Valentine addressed to Susan, milk bottle tops, candy and gum wrappers, notes of those who had broken the rules and a portion of page 40 from the July 8, 1930, issue of the Detroit News.

History pages have recorded how Richard grew from an early enrollment of 389 to more than 400 students today.

Joyce Alef was one of those who came to a nearly-new school. She

See RICHARD, page 3A



Photo by Robert McKean

Frog gala

Grosse Pointers John and Marlene Boll, Lisa Gandelot and Ron and Mary Lamparter helped put the finishing touches on Grosse Pointe's summer-long Frogs•Fur•Friends fundraiser. More than four dozen decorated frogs were auctioned off at a black-tie gala at the Country Club of Detroit last weekend. Some 370 people attended the event. The tally so far for the evening's auction is \$165,000. The funds will go to the Children's Home of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

Park Zoning Board approves variances

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park's Zoning Board of Appeals made quick work of approving three variances at Monday's city council meeting.

Park Mayor Palmer Heenan said of the expansions, "We're getting people to spend money to improve their houses instead of selling them and moving away. We need to keep improving these variances in order to keep our residents in Grosse Pointe Park."

Aris Q. Urbanes wants to erect a 17.85-foot by 23.4-foot two-story addition to his existing house which is in the 1000 block of Bishop.

The ordinance requires a 30-foot rear yard setback, and this addition would have left Urbanes with only 16.15 feet.

Urbanes told the Zoning Board of Appeals that neighbors living in the vicinity gave their approval, and the Park Zoning Board of Appeals did the same on a unanimous vote.

Gene and Karen Kohut, who live in the 1000 block of Berkshire, requested a variance to erect a 14-foot by 7-foot covered porch in the

front of their home.

The ordinance allows front porches, but it was not in compliance once a cover would be put on it.

Councilman Greg Theokas told Kohut that he approves of the covered porch because it would be a nice addition for his property and add value to the home and the surrounding homes.

The Kohuts received a unanimous vote of approval, as did Dr. Scott and Deborah Dulchavsky, who live in the 1000 block of Yorkshire. They requested a variance that would allow them to construct a 38.25-foot by 28.5-foot two-story addition to their existing home.

The ordinance requires a 10.5-foot side yard setback on each side of the home, and the first floor addition would not affect the existing 15.8-foot setback on the northerly side and create a 7.5-foot setback on the southerly side.

The Dulchavskys received support from each neighbor who comes in contact with their property line and did not have any opposition; so the Zoning Board of Appeals granted the variance.

War Memorial clarifies terms for moving house

William Gilbride, attorney representing the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, wishes to clarify his comments presented to the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council on Oct. 3.

The War Memorial is helping pay for Matthew and Elizabeth Canzano to relocate a century-old house from 60 Lakeshore to property the couple owns at 325 Lakeland in the City.

"As part of the negotiation," Gilbride said in a written statement, "the Grosse Pointe War memorial agreed

to pay \$100,000 to (the) Canzanos in lieu of its demolition costs and to help defray (the) Canzanos' costs to relocate the house. The War Memorial also agreed to pay \$15,000 for the cost of removing asbestos from the structure, which it would be required to do by state law if the structure was torn down.

The balance of the Canzanos' shortfall will be made up by obtaining lower bids or downsizing the scope of the project to bring it within budget."

POINTER OF INTEREST

Dave Muer

Home: G.P. Park

Age: 52

Family: Wife, Mary Lou;

Eight children:

Matthew,

Katie, Timothy,

Christopher, Benjamin,

Megan, Stephan and

Nicholas

Occupation: Owner of

the Blue Pointe restaur-

ant; co-owner of

Pointe Barbecue.

Quote: "Eastsiders are value conscious. They enjoy good food. Fair prices. A friendly atmosphere."

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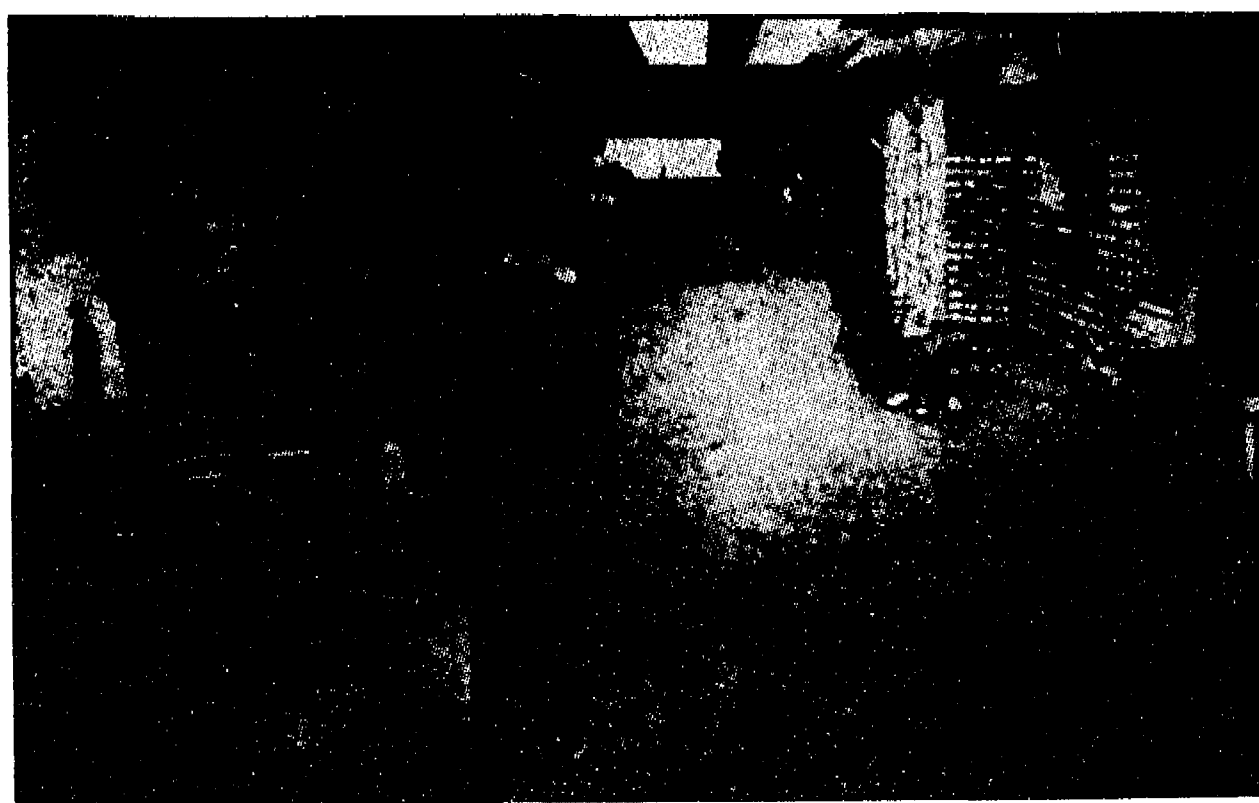
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Hickey's opens on Kercheval

This interior view of Hickey's new men's store on Kercheval in the Village shows two great skylights bringing in full daylight to make choosing fabric an easier task. Edward J. Hickey, whose family has resided in Grosse Pointe for two score years, is shown standing midway down the left side of the store. His grandfather established the business at the turn of the century. The main store in downtown Detroit is on Washington Boulevard. (From the Oct. 13, 1955 Grosse Pointe News.)



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yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ The Grosse Pointe Property Owners Association's efforts to have all the Pointe communities enact ordinances for controlling the spread of Dutch elm disease have full approval of C.A. Boyer, chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry in the state agriculture department.

Ordinances would require private property owners to spray their elm trees twice per year. Also, trees with the blight must be removed at once.

So far, the Shores and Woods have such an ordinance. The City is studying such a step.

■ Grosse Pointe residents who may not have noticed they moved into a community bordering a Great Lakes shipping channel complain to federal officials about late-night toots from passing steamers.

Grievances about signaling and salutes are forwarded to Washington D.C. at the instigation of the Grosse Pointe Property Owners Association.

With freighter traffic expected to increase due to the coming opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, the noise and horn issue is expected to become even greater.

■ Playing in front of a good-sized home crowd, a spiritless Grosse Pointe football team wins a poorly played contest over the Monroe Trojans by the score of 14-7.

Fumbles thrive in both backfields. Trojan players recover four of the Pointers' five mistakes, while the Devil's recover both of Monroe's.

25 years ago this week

■ A group of Grosse Pointe public school parents circulate petitions to reinstate the Youth Service Division, the Pointes' special juvenile crime task force that placed officers in the

high schools.

The division has been disbanded for about one year due to a dispute over funding. Officers have returned to regular duty.

■ Elizabeth E. Keir, a widow, is found beaten to death in her Kerby Road home.

Grosse Pointe Farms police say robbery appears to be the motive.

The murder occurs three weeks short of a year after the unsolved killing of another Farms woman, Jeanne Clyne, who was stabbed to death on Halloween night, 1979, while walking on Kercheval.

■ Carl Justice, a popular math teacher at South High, is chosen to be grand marshal for the school's Homecoming parade.

Students pick Justice because of his dedication to teaching.

"He puts in a lot of extra hours after school with the kids," says Joe Magee, student association president. "If anybody ever has a problem with math, they can go to the math department, and he'll help them. He's been the senior class sponsor for years and has gone out of his way to serve the kids. We felt this was a good way to show our thanks."

10 years ago this week

■ Representatives of Staples office supply company prepare to present plans to City of Grosse Pointe council members about converting Rams Horn restaurant on Mack into a store.

"Their plans appear to meet zoning and parking requirements," said Tom Kressbach, city manager.

■ Michigan Supreme Court Justice James H. Brickley tells a joint session of the state Legislature that "municipal courts should be merged into the district

court system."

The five Grosse Pointes and Eastpointe are the only communities in the state with municipal courts.

"A logical arrangement would be to combine the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods into the 32nd District Court," says Judy DeKeyser, Harper Woods court administrator.

■ Grosse Pointe Farms attorney John Carlisle wins \$12.9 million on behalf of his client in the highest award ever against Detroit for a highway defect.

Detroit is ruled negligent in the handling of a broken traffic light at the intersection of Seven Mile and Conant, where Carlisle's client was injured in a traffic crash.

5 years ago this week

■ The Budweiser Clydesdales will rumble through the Pointes next month during the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

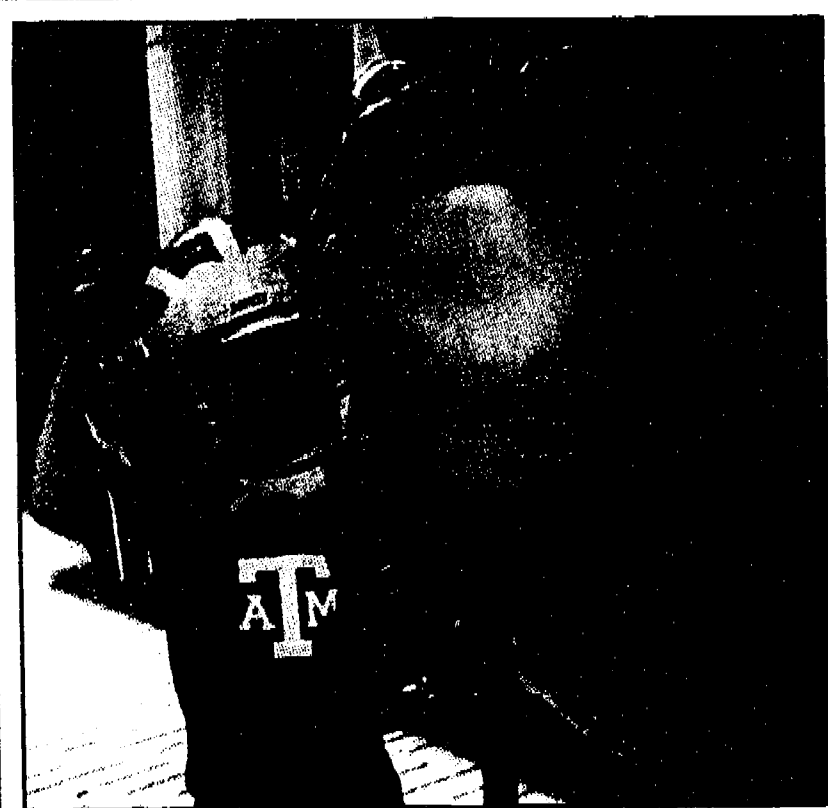
The famous team of draft horses is part of Cindy Melican's effort to arrange something special for the parade's 25th anniversary. Melican is in her second year as parade director.

■ It's report card time for Michigan's public schools, and once again, the Grosse Pointe Public School System comes home with a gold star on its forehead.

Results of the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) tests are high enough for 82 percent of last year's high school seniors to receive the state's \$2,500 Michigan Merit Award scholarship.

■ Rob Rogers' 27-yard field goal with 11 seconds left gives Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils a 17-14 victory over Sterling Heights Stevenson. It is South's third win in a row.

— Brad Lindberg



He's just trying it on

Will Stout, 3 1/2, of North Aurora, Ill., was visiting his grandmother, Grosse Pointer Pat Meek, over the Labor Day weekend. Will's dad is a graduate of Texas A&M. (Hence the Texas A&M T-shirt and the family's passion for the Aggies.)

In spite of family loyalties, Will decided to try the University of Michigan helmet carried by one of Grosse Pointe's frogs. The U of M frog and its counterpart Michigan State frog were located at the corner of McKinley and Kercheval. The frogs were auctioned off at a black tie gala at the Country Club of Detroit last Saturday.

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Pointers pack Robusto's for Christ the King benefit

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Christ the King Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods received a \$30,000 donation from residents of the five Grosse Pointes, Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke, and those individuals who gave their time and money to last weekend's benefit at Robusto's Martini Lounge.

It was one year ago when a parishioner embezzled \$1.3 million from the church leaving its pastors (Randy S. Boelter and Timothy A. Holzerland), its faithful parishioners and the church's financial records in a state of disaster.

However, Novitke helped the community rally to Christ the King's defense by getting the help of friends and business owners to create a charity event in which all of the proceeds would go to the church.

"I can't thank everyone enough for coming out and helping our neighbors in their time of need," Novitke said.

"People of all faiths have come here tonight to help raise more than \$30,000 dollars for Christ the King in order for the congregation to get back a little of what it lost.

"It's not much, but it will certainly help."

Mary Ellen Stempfle, chairwoman of the Resurrection committee, was in awe at the solid reception the residents of the five Grosse Pointes and the surrounding communities gave to help Christ the King.

"This is a tragedy, but we're trying to help our friends get back some of what they lost," Stempfle said. "This has turned out to be a wonderful event, and

it's nice to see so many people come to help out with donations and support."

Boelter said, "Christ the King has been part of this community for 60 years, and we want to thank the Lord that all of you took the time to help us out in a time of need. You really stepped up to help us out, and we will definitely reach out and be of assistance to anyone who needs our help. We truly thank you for this generosity."

Nine people took home prizes from the array of gifts donated by local businesses.

Joanne Miller won the Bar-B-Q Grill, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Gossard, for the ninth-place prize, while Angelo Lapiana took home four Detroit Red Wings tickets for the eighth-place prize, donated by First State Bank.

Palmer Heenan, the Mayor of Grosse Pointe Park, won University of Michigan and Detroit Tigers tickets as part of his seventh-place prize donated by Grosse Pointe Woods city manager Mark Wollenweber, and Bob Lewis won a one-year membership to Curves, donated by Shawn Burch, as the sixth-place prize.

The fifth-place prize winner was Freda Bommarito, who took home Fox Theatre tickets for the Radio City Music Show, donated by SBC's John Peterson.

The Country Club of Detroit and Lochmoor Club chipped in to donate the Grosse Pointe Golf Package, which was won as the fourth-place prize by Nancy Velek, and AAA-Grosse Pointe donated the third-place prize, which Lee Alcot won.

It is a three-day Caribbean Cruise.

George Koueiter of George Koueiter & Sons Jewelers donated the second-place prize, which was a hand-crafted Pearl/Diamond necklace which Brad Hepler won, and Edmond T. Ahee Jewelers donated an IWC Portosino Stainless Steel Automatic Watch as the first-place prize, which was won by Bill Rooney.

Edwin Paul Salon also donated 10 \$15 haircuts.

"The outpouring of support from all of you makes this a night to remember," Novitke said. "We're all helping a friend, and it's nice to see it."

Heenan, Dale Scrase (Mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe), Ken Poynter (Mayor of Harper Woods), and Jim Cooper (President of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores) were in attendance, as was Koueiter and two representatives of the Ahee family.

Grosse Pointe Woods city council members Vicki Granger and Al Dickinson showed their support for Christ the King, as did Anthony Neme, owner of Lochmoor Ace Hardware in Grosse Pointe Woods.

"We're helping out a neighbor," Neme said. "It's not fair what happened to Christ the King, but at least we're all here trying to give them something back that they lost."

Other members of the Resurrection Fund committee were Curtis Bledsoe, Boelter, Holzerland, Dave Bohde, Bob Bowen, Diane Wyrock and Novitke. Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association and Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor James Farquhar also helped out in the church's benefit.

Robusto's owner, Scott Baumgart, played host to the event.

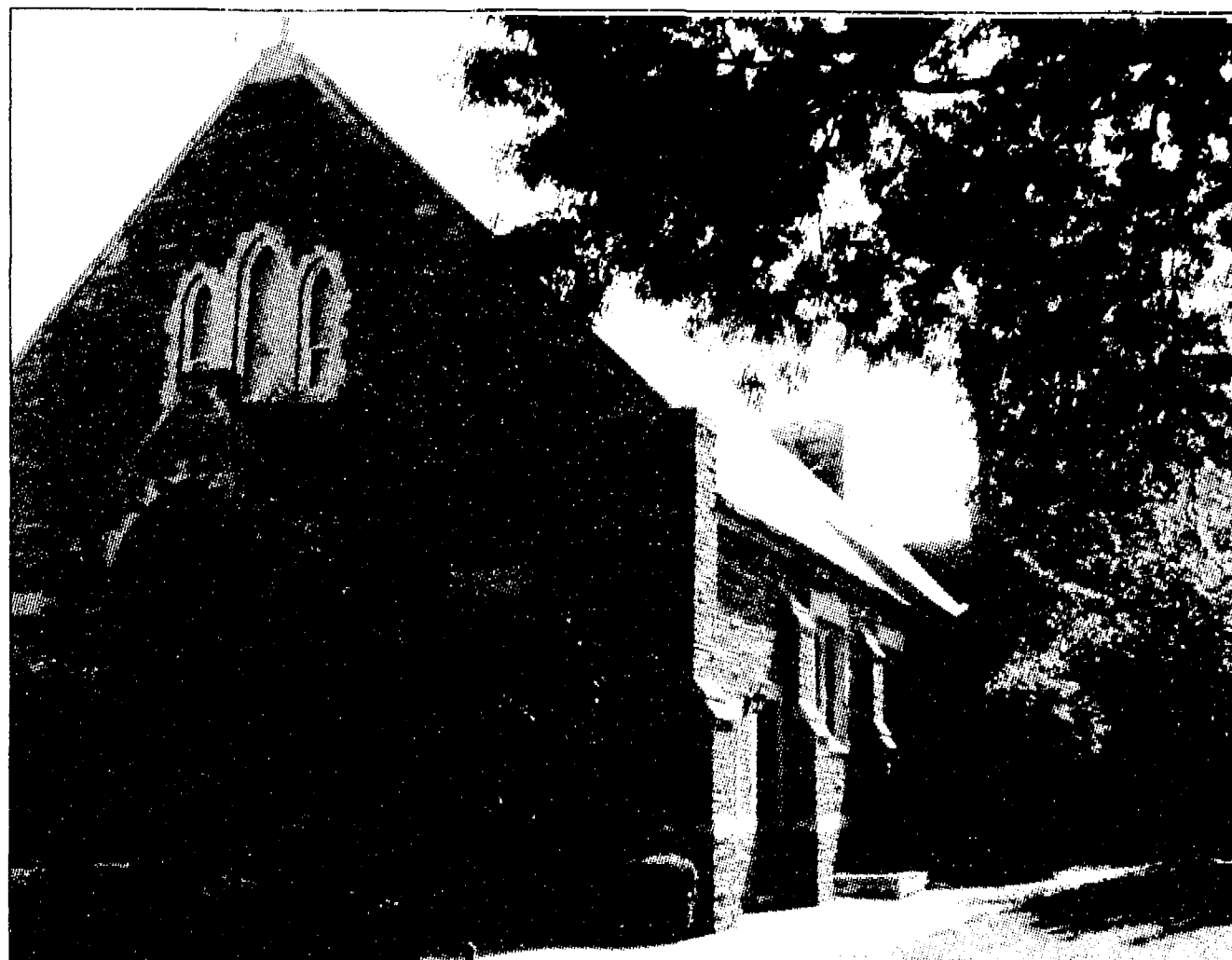


Photo by Robert McKean

A benefit was held last weekend at Robusto's Martini Lounge for Christ the King Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. Last year, a parishioner embezzled \$1.3 million from the church's treasury. Local businesses donated items for a raffle.

Richard

From page 1

entered kindergarten in 1935. Alef and her older brothers attended the school through sixth-grade. Alef left in 1942 when she went to junior high but returned years later with her four children, Paul, Mark, Anne and Lisa Bauhof.

Alef reminisced about her classes in music and math. She talked about the hooks on the wall where she hung her wool coat.

"I still sing the songs she (Mrs. Ellis her music teacher) taught," she said.

Principal Mary Barrett listened as Alef talked of the fish pond and the Pewabic tiles in the kindergarten. Second grades are now housed in those rooms.

Those unique features of the school are what many

former students remember and make a beeline for as they streamed through the doors. The deep fish pond in blues and greens was used as a reading center for her children, Alef remembered.

Alef remembers doing all her homework by hand. Today's Richard students are using wireless computers, as well as the proverbial No. 2 yellow pencil.

A No. 2 pencil was enclosed with the time capsule which Travis will set aside. In 25 years, Richard students and alumni will open it to find stories and pictures from every student now attending the school. Those in 2030 will read the kindergartners' happy books and learn from the first-graders the stories about themselves and life in their grade. Second-graders

enclosed their thoughts of using laptops, and the third-graders wrote about adventures and how to use adjectives. A signed picture was donated by the fourth-graders, and the fifth-graders explained what kind of homework was expected of them.

Also enclosed was a card to a soldier, a yearbook, a 2004 book with the Richard families, as was a Grosse Pointe News and a Richard Review, the school newspaper.

So many parents we grew up with are here, said David Cornillie, who attended Richard 1964 through 1969. The Richard family had come home to share a piece of birthday cake and history. For more about the Richard celebration, see page 13A

Charges filed in drunk driving death

The man being prosecuted for the drunken driving death of Lara Rutan, 25, of Grosse Pointe Farms, has a history of motor vehicle alcohol violations.

Gordon Todd Stewart, 40, of St. Clair Shores, awaits trial in Macomb County Circuit Court on charges of second degree murder in the Sept. 16 car crash that killed Rutan.

Gordon was reportedly driving a dump truck on southbound Hayes in

Clinton Township when he crossed into oncoming traffic and hit Rutan's Volkswagen Jetta.

Stewart was charged with drunken driving in the incident.

His driver license was reportedly suspended at the time.

In addition to the murder charge, Stewart has been bound over for trial as a habitual fourth offender. Officials report he has four alcohol arrests dating to

1990, the most recent in 1999.

Rutan was a member of the National Honor Society at Regina High School.

She earned a bachelor of science degree in biology from DePauw University and a master of science physician assistant-c degree from the Wayne State University School of Health and Applied Sciences where she was class president.

She worked as a physician's assistant.

An estimated 850 attended Rutan's funeral mass last month at St. Paul Catholic Church in the Farms.

Platform tennis, anyone?

The grand opening of two new platform tennis courts at Elworthy Field is scheduled for noon on Saturday, Oct. 15.

City of Grosse Pointe officials will be on hand for the opening serve along with local platform tennis players, who will explain how the game is played.

Light snacks and beverages will be provided.

A ribbon cutting will precede exhibitions by men and women players.

Rackets and balls will be available at the courts during the event. Participants should wear tennis shoes and sports attire.

Elworthy Field is property of the Grosse Pointe School System. The courts are open to anyone living in the district.

Ask the Learning Adviser

Ideas for raising successful children

Q. I was excited to have school start again. I was looking forward to some structure in our household after a free-spirited, chaotic summer. We did well for the first couple of weeks, but here we are — it's madness again. I can't seem to get a handle on everyone's schedules, homework, chores — you name it. We need help.

A. The start of a new school year is always exciting. Everyone starts with a clean slate and vows that this year will be different. But it doesn't take long to realize this also means kids and parents need to make some adjustments. Routines — dependable, straightforward ways of handling day-

to-day family life — are wonderful for keeping your home manageable and peaceful. And it's not too late to get your family back into a good routine for this school year. Here's how you can start:

- Use everyone's best ideas to create a list of what

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Restaurateur: 'Regulars here are just like family'

By Margie Reins Smith
Assistant Editor

In metropolitan Detroit, the name Muer is practically synonymous with seafood, even though the restaurant that made it so has been closed for seven years.

Dave Muer's great-great-grandfather was Anthony William Muer, owner of Detroit's Swift Cigar Co. and owner of the building at Gratiot and Vernor that became Joe Muer's restaurant.

Anthony William was also the great-great-grandfather of Joe Muer, the last owner of the landmark Detroit seafood restaurant. The downtown Muer's opened on Oct. 28, 1929, the day before the stock market crashed. For nearly 70 years, Joe Muer's was one of Detroit's busiest and most respected dining establishments.

Dave Muer, owner of the Blue Pointe restaurant, 17131 E. Warren, said he learned the restaurant business from the ground up.

"I started as a burger-flipper at the concession stand at Grosse Pointe Park's Windmill Pointe Park when I was in seventh grade," he said.

When he was a teenager, he worked part-time washing dishes at the Knights of Columbus Hall. He was soon promoted to the position of cook for the hall's Friday night fish fries.

Muer grew up in what he called "the backyard of Grosse Pointe."

"We lived on Alter, in Detroit," he said. "I went to St. Ambrose, De La Salle, Macomb (Community College), and then the School of Hard Knocks."

He worked for six years at the downtown Joe Muer's; after that, he sold seafood; he went to the Somerset Inn; then Pat O'Grady's at 10 Mile and Jefferson.



Photo by Margie Reins Smith

Dave Muer, above, stands in front of a lighted stained glass picture of a lobster that he purchased at a restaurant auction for the Blue Pointe restaurant. "We always want to be known as a seafood restaurant," he said.

He and his two brothers, Mike and Tony, bought the old Lombardi's restaurant at Harper and Cadieux in 1982. They named it the Blue Pointe.

"It used to be an Italian restaurant," he said. "After we bought it, while the deal was being finalized, I worked for about six months as a cook for the owner, Pete Fiore. I picked up what I needed to know."

"When the deal was signed, I packed up my grandmother's recipes and brought them to the Blue Pointe."

He purposely didn't use the Muer name until Joe Muer's downtown had closed.

"My mom was a DiClemente," he said; "so I'm half Italian. My grandfather, Nunzio DiClemente,

was a great cook. He always wanted to own a restaurant."

Even though the Blue Pointe's sign says, "Seafood and Italian cuisine," Muer said, "It has always been a seafood place; we always want to be a seafood restaurant."

Muer now is the sole owner of the Blue Pointe. He and his brother, Michael, own the Original Pointe Barbecue at 17410 E. Warren. His brother Michael is the sole owner of the Harvard Grill, 16624 Mack.

Muer obviously enjoys the restaurant business. "We feed people," he said. "We're not a bar. Our bar is a place for people to wait for their tables."

"I have a sincere respect for my customers." The wait-

staff also respects customers, he added. The restaurant used to be open for lunch, but the nearby business men and women who used to come in for power lunches at The Blue Pointe are gone.

"Now we do lots of catering," Muer said. "Probably 25 percent of our business is catering."

The restaurant is heavy on nautical decor. Sharks and sailfish are mounted on the walls. Models of sailboats and an old-fashioned binnacle are displayed. Framed paintings of fish, fishing craft, sailboats and freighters surround the rooms, and stained glass art depicts a huge lobster and several harpoons. Framed examples of sailors' knots

POINTER OF INTEREST

are hung near the bar as are drawings of old ships from the area such as the Put-in-Bay.

A framed menu from Joe Muer's downtown eatery, dated July 1, 1969, hangs near the entrance. (The prices are fantastic.) Another framed menu, from May 16, 1998, marks the day (or nearly the day) that Joe Muer's closed.

The tables and chairs, many of the paintings and nautical objects came from Joe Muer's. Recipes for Joe Muer's customers' favorites (Shrimp Ilene, crab balls, white bean salad and Finnan Haddie are a few) are listed on the Blue Pointe's menu.

"You have to enjoy this business to stay in it," Muer said. "You have to not look back and not look for short-term gains, but look for a long-term return on your investment."

"Eastsiders are value conscious," he said. "They enjoy good food. Fair prices. A friendly atmosphere. People who come in here are like family. I've been part of these family's births, deaths, the community." He named several of the restaurant's regulars: "Sid Hirschfield, Flo Kliber, Lou Perrone, Dr. Dalton and Alice Black, Don and Karen Parthum."

Asked for some humorous anecdotes about the restaurant business, Muer chuckled.

"A brand new waitress was carrying a tray of food on her first day of work. She was holding the tray and struggling with what she thought was a tray jack (a foldable stand that holds trays while

the food is being served.) "One of the diners leaned over, tapped her on the arm, and said, 'Excuse me, but that's my walker.'"

Menu mistakes make Muer chuckle. "One time our menu offered Seafood Egbert. It was supposed to be Seafood Newburgh. Some of the funniest menu errors are not printable in a family newspaper."

Muer has been married to Mary Lou for 27 years. They have eight children. Early in their marriage, they thought they wouldn't be able to have children; so they adopted Matthew, who is from Peru.

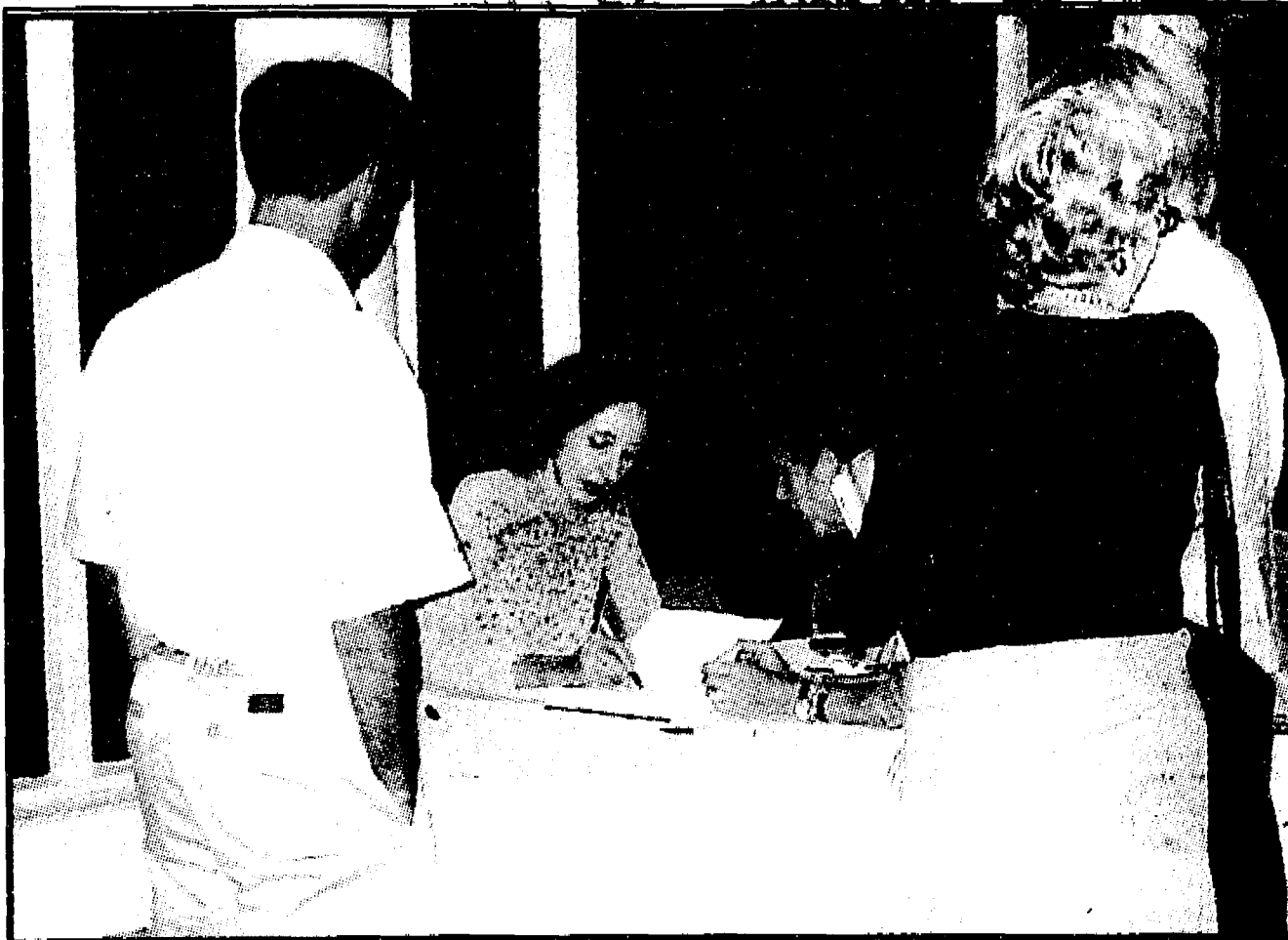
Then they had seven more children. Matthew is now 23. The youngest Muer, Nicholas, is 9.

"I'm proud of my family; proud of my wife. She is a full-time wife and mother, which allows me to do what I do. She works hard. Her job is full time, and it's much harder than mine. I couldn't do it. I love raising kids. I love going to my kids' games. I love watching them grow up."

Muer said that his restaurant is the only place — that he knows of — that states, right on its menu, a willingness to make separate checks for each person at a table, regardless of the number of people; and its willingness to serve a half order for half price plus \$3.

The Blue Pointe also has what it calls EDC specials, a selection of lighter fare. EDC stands for Early Dining Club.

"We aren't all that strict about how early is early either," Muer said, with a smile.



Renowned author delights literary audience

Joyce Carol Oates, author of numerous acclaimed novels, such as "Blonde" and "We were the Mulvaney's," was the guest speaker at the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library's annual Friends Fall Premium Lecture held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Sept. 20.

Above, a group of fans gather around Oates as she signs one of her books for Miriam Engstrom.

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Mapleton block party

"Fun was had by all," according to Grosse Pointe Farms resident Patty Balchunas of the Saturday, June 17, Mapleton Road block party. Above, from left, Maggie Eastland looks on as Noah Stahl and Keely Benz take turns cruising an electric toy Jeep up and down the closed-off block. While the adults socialized, the children played and ate. The party was capped off children breaking a butterfly-shaped pinata.

Cell phones: Know what you are purchasing

By David Uffington

Whether you're buying a cell phone for the first time or you're in the market because your current contract has expired, there are a number of things to consider to make sure you get the best deal.

- Determine your cell phone needs. Are you going to use the phone only for emergencies? As your main telephone for long-distance calls? As your only telephone?

- Don't pay for extra services. If you don't need voice mail or an e-mail connection, don't pay for a plan that includes those services.

- Ask to see a map of the coverage area to make sure you'll be able to make calls wherever you are, especially when traveling. What are the roaming charges if you travel?

- Consider the type of phone you need. If you require larger buttons or

text, make sure any phone you select has those features.

- What is the length of talk time on one battery charge? Does the phone come with a battery charger for the home or car?

- Ask how long your new number has been out of service. If it's a matter of weeks, refuse the number. You'll get phone calls for the previous user of the number, and you'll pay for those incoming calls.

- What is the per-minute charge if you go over your monthly allotted time? You can run up significant costs if you don't keep track of your minutes. Make sure the phone has a feature that allows you to check the minutes used during each billing period.

- If the number you dial is busy, are you charged for the call? When you call a number, are you allowed a certain number of rings before

charges kick in?

- Is each partial minute of time used rounded up to the next minute, or to the next 15 seconds?

- Read the fine print on the contract and make sure of your obligation. The penalty for breaking a cell phone contract can run to hundreds of dollars.

- Shop the major competitors for the best possible deal, and ask about special promotions.

- Put your new cell phone number on the national Do Not Call list. On the Internet go to the Web site donot-call.gov or call (888) 382-1222 from the phone you want to put on the list.

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Adviser

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everyone will do and when. Include things like: getting ready for school, breakfast, leaving for school, dinner, homework, backpacks by the door, reading, bedtime, etc.

- Have everyone also write down their activities as they are scheduled. This will help you plan ahead. (Soccer on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. will have an impact on homework and dinner.)

- Write the schedule on a chart and post the chart where everyone will see it. Give out gold stars or stickers on those great days when everything goes

It's also a good idea to establish three important rules. Discuss them as a

family and make sure everyone understands what you expect now that they are back in school.

1. Homework rule. Set a specific time and place to do homework. Determine that there will be no TV, video games, telephone time, etc. until homework is finished. Set the pattern yourself. Use this time to take care of bills or correspondence, for example.

2. TV rule. Monitor the kinds of images and programs your children watch. Establish the amount of time your children will watch TV or play video games. Enforce the rule.

3. Reading rule. Set aside some time each day for reading. Read to or with your children — every day. Be a good role model. If your chil-

dren are old enough to read on their own, sit nearby and let them see you reading, too.

Stay committed to your routines for 21 days. That means a lot of reminders to "Put your backpack by the door." But research has shown that it takes that long for routines to become habit. Children do best when they know what to expect, and the structure and stability your routines create will help your family thrive.

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Nashville, and fourth in the conference behind Calgary, Nashville and Vancouver.

The Wings will be in the hunt for the Stanley Cup come playoff time in April.

They got their season off to a flying start last week, beating St. Louis 5-1 in the season and home opener and 4-3 the following night. Joe Louis Arena was packed with its usual standing-room only crowd, and St.

Louis had a full house in its home opening loss to Detroit.

The Wings made it three victories in a row on Sunday, beating visiting Calgary 6-3.

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Elementary, middle school students take MEAP

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

Elementary and middle school students across Michigan are in the midst of taking the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP).

The assessment test used to guide schools on student comprehension and curriculum alignment is given in a three week window to third through eighth graders. MEAPs for these grades conclude on Friday, Oct. 21.

Every grade between third and eighth will be taking math and language arts, said Susan Allan, Grosse Pointe Public School Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

Sixth-graders are taking social studies. Science is being tested in fifth and eighth grades. Ninth graders

will be taking social studies at the end of October.

When the elementary and middle school students have completed their MEAPs, seniors will begin taking sections which they have not passed.

Regular MEAPs at the high school will be taken in the winter.

Many Michigan school districts did not receive materials in a timely manner. Grosse Pointe school has all its testing materials. Answers will be in the form of both multiple choice and short paragraphs.

Allan said, "We did get things with mistakes, but material was received in time."

The three week window allows for a total of 11 hours of testing. Tests have suggested testing time, and students are allowed to go at

their own pace.

MEAP testing is for two reasons, Allan said. It tells the educators of individual achievement and level of comprehension. It also points out how the district's curriculum is aligned with state guidelines.

"In our district, the test comes back too late to use for individualization," she said. However, the district does need the results, which are expected in December or January, to point out where subject corrections can be made by teachers.

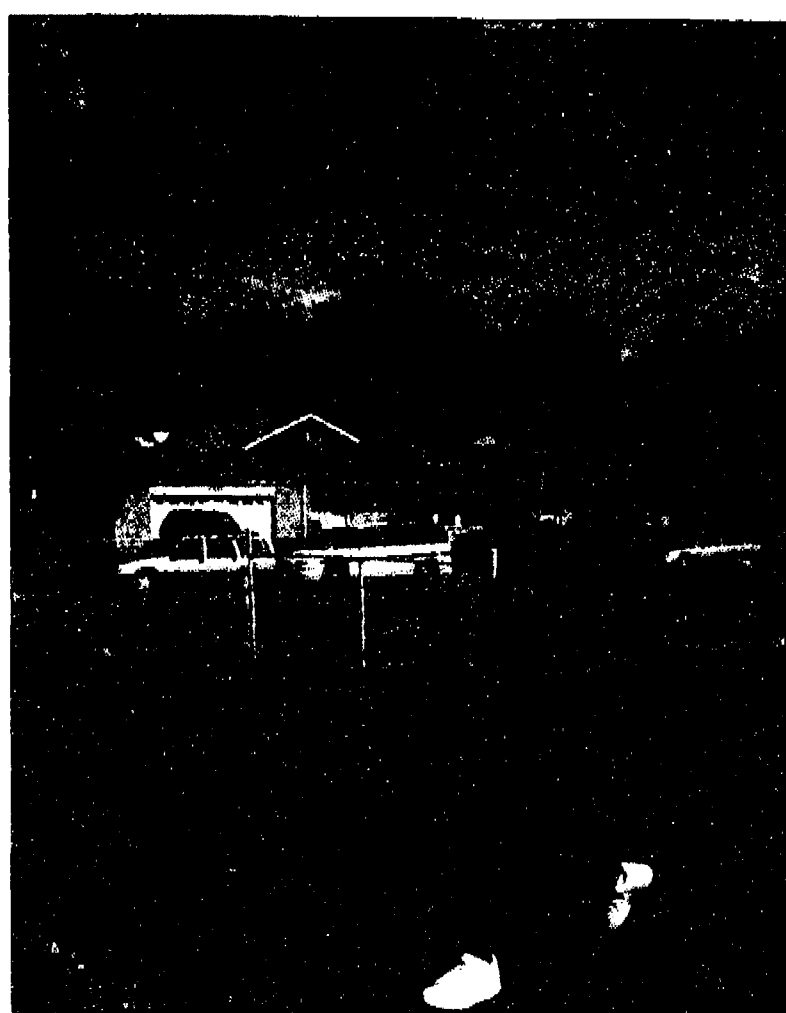



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Punt, pass and kick

Some 155 young pro football enthusiasts had an opportunity to exhibit their football skills when St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School hosted a punt, pass and kick competition on Friday, Sept. 23. First place in the 14- and 15-year-old boys category was Jackson Robar; second place — Alex Guyon; and third place — Jamil Pickens. First place in the female category was Mary Platz; second place — Marcelina Smith; and third place — Grace Ward. Winners in boys 12- and 13-year-old category were first place — David Fielder; second place — Ed Lewis, and third place — Miles Hubbell. First place for the girls was Mellani Wilder, second place — Jasmine Williams; and third place — Ashley Hall. First place winners will go on to the sectional meet in Warren.





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Pre-election coverage next week

Every election year, particularly during the odd numbered years when local municipal elections occur, the Grosse Pointe News staff interviews all candidates in races where there are contests.

That is to say, if there are three open seats and only three running, we do not conduct face-to-face interviews with all the candidates; nevertheless, in noncontested races, we will say who is running and a little about them.

In contested races, such as in Grosse Pointe City, Park and Woods this year, we interviewed 16 candidates over the past couple of weeks.

The format is always the same. We schedule an hour for each candidate to come into the Grosse Pointe News conference room and sit down with the publisher, editor and the reporter whose beat in which the election is

occurring.

Sometimes the interviews are taped. We do allow candidates to go "off the record" on occasion, but sometimes we must backtrack "on the record" if the subject matter warrants.

Fortunately, in small-town, nonpartisan Grosse Pointe politics, we require few off-the-record conversations and little investigative reporting — at least as far as the backgrounds of the candidates are concerned. We are fortunate to have qualified candidates willing to commit hours of their time for public service. And they do this, for the most part, for nothing. What stipends they do get in no way compensate for the time they put in on the city councils, school board and on the bench.

This year's contested races include a contentious one in the Park, where

10-year incumbent Judge Carl Jarboe faces a repeat challenger in Dean Valente.

Two entrenched mayors are facing challenges by members of their own city councils. Mayor Dale Scarce in the City is being challenged by City Councilman Steven Sholty. In the Woods, Mayor Robert Novitke is campaigning against his mayor pro tem, Councilwoman Patricia Kukula Chylinski.

Ms. Chylinski's mayoral bid makes her ineligible to run for her expiring council seat, which she has held for eight years. Her departure provides and opening for newcomers to city elections, including legendary Detroit News columnist Pete Waldmeir and two others.

A situation arose in the City when Mr. Sholty forsook running for re-election to the council and decided to

challenge the incumbent mayor. Mr. Sholty's opening also opened the door for three well-qualified professionals who wish to fill the void.

Our policy generally is to endorse incumbents barring unusual circumstances. In cases where we do not endorse an incumbent, we make our reasons clear.

As is our custom and based on our interviews, we will publish our profiles of the candidates and our endorsements in next week's Grosse Pointe News, Oct. 20. We like to publish our election coverage two or three issues prior to the election so that if we make a mistake, misquote someone or forget a vital piece of information, we have time prior to the election to make amends.

It is our policy leading up to elections to not run letters to the editor from or about candidates. We fear, and have found, that it is too easy a temptation for those who mean well to "stuff the letters box" either for or against candidates.

We hope you find next week's interview profiles of the candidates and our endorsements helpful in your voting this year, and above all, we urge everyone to get out and vote on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

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Requiem for Rosie

She lived her life with dignity and grace, and it was only right that she be afforded the same in death. Our beloved grand-dog Rosie was euthanized after a brief battle with lung cancer. The overwhelming sadness that has engulfed the family is actually a fitting tribute for such a good friend.

No animal lover is a stranger to the enormous voids that remain when we lose a treasured member of our family. With all the tragedy that has filled our television screens and newspapers we feel a touch guilty and selfish wallowing in our personal grief, but aching hearts cannot be denied or ignored. This has been a particularly tough loss as the hurt has impacted our young grandchildren.

The loss of their first pet and first experience of unconditional love is a big wrench for tiny hearts. Rosie was that unique breed of Golden Retriever who knows no boundaries when it comes to giving love. In her 10 years, I

never heard her snap at the youngsters, who would crawl over her body with abandon, dress her up and race her around the house and yard until she dropped from exhaustion.

Perhaps she was aware that she was adopted from a rescue league and was eternally grateful. She simply never complained.

I do know that Rosie lived a good life surrounded by a loving and extended family. Her welfare was always the main consideration of her family. They would often forego travel by plane to accommodate her comfort and would drive to vacation venues.

Her owners have a great deal of love to share, and I know their home will soon echo with the happy yapping of a new puppy, and another chapter will begin in a continuing saga of love affairs with animals.

We will always remember that one extraordinary creature came into our lives and has left a legacy of love in our hearts. Sleep well, Rosie.

— Offering from the Loft



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at phands@grossepointenews.com or go to www.philtoons.com

Congress should stay out of steroids mess

By Daniel Kline

Congress has more important things to worry about than whether pro athletes take steroids. Though this subject might get a lot of news coverage, it's a trivial matter that in no way needs involvement from the highest reaches of our government.

Politicians, of course, all have something to say about the horrible evil of steroids and the terrible example set by athletes. This inconsequential blather makes for nice sound bites, and since nobody can argue in favor of taking steroids, it's a no-lose position for a congressman to hold.

Throughout the hearings on this issue and in the many statements released after them, the main issue pushed was the horrible damage steroids have done to children. These kids, we're supposed to believe, take steroids to emulate their big league heroes, and that's the fault of the ballplayers. Nobody ever blames the parents who stood idly by while their child went from 98-pound weakling to acne-riddled, enraged super hulk — it's all Barry Bonds' fault.

Holding steroids hearings is an elaborate public relations stunt designed by Congress to show the American people just how much they care about our children. They don't particularly care about the dozens of them dying in Iraq each month, but the three or four every year we lose to steroid abuse — those lives matter.

The reality is that steroid abuse among high school athletes is a troubling issue, but not a major one. Certainly some kids experiment with steroids, and a few take it too far. But on the list of things killing high school athletes, steroids rank way below drunk driving and probably only slightly below farming accidents.

Putting steroid abuse under the congressional spotlight takes that spotlight away from other issues. Steroids are illegal, and neither professional nor amateur

athletes should take them. They also shouldn't cheat on their taxes, break the speed limit or abuse prescription drugs, but there's no need for Congress to get involved in any of these issues.

If Congress really wanted to help kids — not simply get a lot of good publicity — they would tackle hundreds of issues before steroids. Alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, pollution, obesity, reckless driving and dozens of other things kill or harm a lot more children than steroids. Certainly the death count from Iraq, even for the month of July, involves more lives than steroids will claim in the next three years.

While Congress wastes its time drafting a steroid policy for pro sports, it has ignored that the government already has the means to regulate this issue. Simply have the police crack down on existing laws. Doing this, however, would take resources away from stopping the actually dangerous drugs from getting into the hands of kids. Would you rather save a dozen lives from steroids or thousands from cocaine?

Evidence suggests that abuse of steroids probably leads to death in some cases. That's a horrible risk to take to be a better athlete and something that parents, coaches and professional sports leagues should eliminate.

Congress has a war going on, gas prices climbing to record highs and countless other problems that far outrank steroids. Let sports talk shows argue about whether the home run records are tainted and what impact that might have on kids. Our congressmen must stop mugging for the cameras and start solving the real problems facing our kids — the ones that you won't get universally applauded for addressing.

Daniel Kline is a freelance writer based in Connecticut. He can be reached by e-mail at dan@notastep.com.

Letters

Thanks for being 'Friends•Fur•Frogs'

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Children's Home of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society, I'd like to thank everyone who has been involved with Frogs•Fur•Friends. It truly has been a team effort that required the support of so many, from board members, chairpersons, and committees to sponsors, donors, artists, family and friends.

The project exceeded every expectation that could have been set. In many ways, it seemed to take on a life of its own.

We started off with a simple vision of helping "kids and pets." In the process, we not only managed to make an impact on the city streets and raise a considerable amount of money, we built camaraderie among residents, created lasting memories and transformed the community in a way that, I believe, will have a lasting impact.

We opened up new vistas and possibilities.

The Country Club of Detroit was certainly the "hopping" place on Saturday night, Oct. 8, for the Frog Gala Auction. Grosse Pointe community residents Joseph DuMouchelle and Paul W.

Smith skillfully engaged over 400 guests in the auction process. The generosity of the bidders was not only humbling, it was overwhelming.

Frogs•Fur•Friends was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. We all are fortunate to have been able to play a part.

We made a difference and touched a countless number of lives — that's what it's all about. I'd like to extend a special thanks to the Grosse Pointe News. With their support we were able to raise awareness, maintain enthusiasm, and garner maximum participation throughout these past 12 months.

Donna Brian
Project Manager
Frogs•Fur•Friends

60 Lakeshore

To the Editor:

For the past year and a half, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial has been working diligently with the Grosse Pointe Farms Historic District Commission and representatives from the Grosse Pointe Historical Society to find a potential owner with suitable property to accept the gift of the structure at 60 Lakeshore, along with \$100,000 to aid in the moving expenses.

It has been a very complicated endeavor; and we are pleased that, as presented to the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council, agreements with Mr. and Mrs. Canzano of the City of Grosse Pointe

and the Grosse Pointe Farms Historic District Commission have been reached pending formal ratification.

The Grosse Pointe News, in error, misrepresented the preliminarily agreed-upon financial arrangements ("60 Lakeshore may be saved," Oct. 6).

To clarify, and simply stated, the War Memorial will pay \$100,000 as previously offered toward the relocation expenses.

Additionally, the War Memorial will pay \$15,000 to remove any existing asbestos prior to the relocation of the house. The Canzanos, with the Monahan Development Company's help, will continue to work with their contractors and their financial institution to resolve the shortfall of funds necessary to proceed with this project.

Housed in a state and national historic site, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial is mindful of our community's heritage and is hopeful that the agreement will be finalized and the house relocated.

Likewise, the War Memorial is committed to its mission of honoring our service men and women by providing lifelong learning and enrichment opportunities and deeply appreciates the community's support.

Mark R. Weber, Ph.D.
President
Grosse Pointe War Memorial

Hockeytown is back in business!

Hockey fans throughout the Grosse Pointes and the state of Michigan can finally rejoice. Their beloved Detroit Red Wings are back, playing meaningful hockey on the ice and not in a boardroom.

Are fans going to welcome back hockey with open arms, or will there be some resentment after the lockout that lasted for one year?

Fans in this area will flock to Joe Louis Arena to watch the Winged wheels challenge for Lord Stanley's Cup, and fans in hockey-rich cities such as Montreal, Toronto, Chicago, New York and Boston will pack their arenas on a nightly basis.

But what about in other cities such as Nashville or Atlanta?

The new collective bargaining agreement of the National Hockey League (NHL), the owners and its players instituted a salary cap, which allowed small-market teams (like Pittsburgh and Calgary) to stay competitive with the big spenders (Detroit, Colorado and New York).

Fans will now see a more balanced NHL with really no dominant teams taking the league by storm.

It's going to be tough for teams to earn 100 or more points in a season, which in the past meant that your franchise was really good and in position to win a Stanley Cup.

Each conference is balanced competitively-wise, and the NHL also made some changes that will have a direct impact as to the outcome of games.

Goalie pads are smaller, and goalies can only play the puck in a trapezoid-shaped area directly behind the net.



The area begins six feet outside each goalpost and is 28 feet wide at the end boards. A goalie who touches the puck behind the goal line outside that area will draw a two-minute penalty.

The red lines have disappeared, which will open-up the ice for long passes and will lessen the clutching and grabbing that slowed each game to a crawl during the past several years.

The new-and-improved NHL wants to see more scoring, and eliminating the red lines will do that.

There will also be no more ties. If a game ends in a

draw, the teams will play a five-minute overtime. If it is still tied after the overtime period, there will be a shootout in which three skaters on each team take alternating penalty shots. Still tied? The teams trade penalty shots until there is a winner.

A losing team will get a point if the loss comes in overtime or in the shootout.

For the past decade, the NHL was ruled by the Red Wings, the Colorado Avalanche, the Philadelphia Flyers, the Dallas Stars and the New Jersey Devils.

Gone are those days.

Since the salary cap was introduced a couple of months ago, many teams had to dump top-notch players to get their team salary down to the \$39 million maximum team-payroll. Furthermore, the NHL has seen middle-to-small market franchises such as the Nashville Predators, Tampa Bay Lightning (technically the defending Stanley Cup champions), San Jose Sharks, Edmonton Oilers, Florida Panthers and Pittsburgh Penguins beef up their rosters and are now playoff contenders.

What should we, as fans, expect from our hometown hero Red Wings?

The top offensive players are Yzerman, Kris Draper, Kirk Maltby, Pavel Datsyuk, Henrik Zetterberg, Tomas Holstrom, Brendan Shanahan, Robert Lang, Jason Williams and Mikael Samuelsson.

Their top defensemen are Nicklas Lidstrom, Jiri

Fischer, Mathieu Schneider, Chris Chelios and Niklas Kronwall, and our goal-tenders are Chris Osgood (yes, he is back as a member of the Red Wings), Manny Legace and rookie Jim Howard.

Other team members on the roster are Dan Cleary, Johan Franzen, Brett Lebda, Andreas Lilja, Mark Mowers and Jamie Rivers.

The Wings should have little problem scoring goals, and their defense will be one of the NHL's best.

Mike Babcock is our new head coach, replacing Dave Lewis, who guided the Wings to a division title in 2003 with 109 points.

In fact, the Wings have scored more than 100 points in five consecutive seasons and six of the last seven.

Many hockey writers across the country pick the Wings to finish second in their division behind

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The Op-Ed Page



Streetwise

Question of the Week:

Do you think there should be better public transportation in the Pointes?



Katy Walsh

"I'd like to see more available cab services."
Katy Walsh
City of Grosse Pointe

"I'm satisfied, but I'm grateful everything is within walking distance."
Stacy Jeup-Bilderbeck
Grosse Pointe Farms



Stacy Jeup-Bilderbeck



Don Day

"We don't have good mass transportation in our region."
Don Day
City of Grosse Pointe

"The Pointes are okay, but the city of Detroit needs improvement."
Brad Swegles
Grosse Pointe Farms



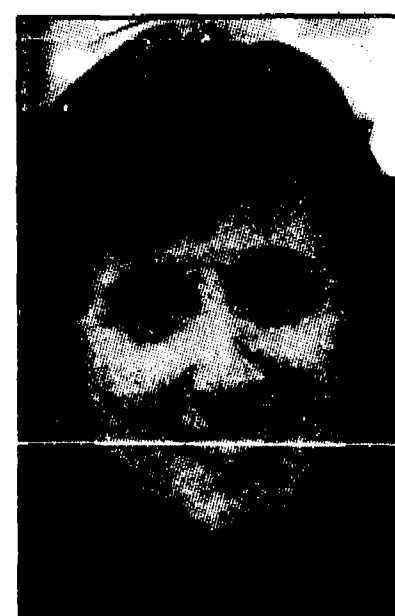
Brad Swegles



Margie Carroll

"I like everything the way it is."
Margie Carroll
Grosse Pointe Farms

"I'm from New York City. There we had mass transportation. When I first moved here I would take the bus to Eastland. Now I drive everywhere. It could be improved."
Ann Fitzpatrick
Grosse Pointe Farms



Ann Fitzpatrick

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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by Ben Burns



Frog Finale

Stefan Blachut, 12, of the Woods, fell in love with the Grosse Pointe frogs last summer.

He took photos of most of them and even saved up \$30 and bought a couple of the live amphibians from Lou's Pet Shop on Mack in the Woods, according to his dad, Tim.

When Stefan learned the frogs were scheduled to be auctioned off to the highest bidders last weekend he suggested to his mom, Regina, and his dad that they go and buy one.

Because he didn't have the money for a \$150 ticket to the black-tie event, Stefan asked organizers at the Children's Home of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society if he could volunteer his help.

The organizers said they had all the volunteers they could use, but invited Stefan and one of his parents to attend the auction anyway. So Saturday night Stefan in a nice suit, with a red tie, had a front row seat at the Country Club of Detroit to witness the great frog dispersal.

Stefan, a seventh grader at Brownell, watched and took pictures as frogs sold from \$1,000 to \$13,000. "I liked the Hot Frogger best," he said. "It was a yellow one with wheels."

There were no takers for the least desired frog of the evening at the \$1,000 bid minimum, but Tony Soave set the tone for the evening by offering \$500 and then \$600 and then \$700.

Auctioneer Smith reportedly said, "Tony you are bidding against yourself." And Soave, who purchased multiple frogs, indicated that was the point and bid it up to \$1,000.

All-in-all, the auction reportedly raised more than \$140,000 to benefit the Children's Home of Detroit and the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

"I don't think there is a happier kid in Grosse Pointe," said Stefan's father. "It was magnificent, the whole night, from top to bottom."

Sylvia

The 43rd annual season of the Wayne State Hilberry Theatre got started last week with a production of an unusual comedy centered on a dog, "Sylvia." Director and theater department chairman Blair Anderson reported the Friday night performance was the 5,320th performance of the program and that some time this sea-

son the theater troupe will host its 2 millionth guest.

One opening night observer opined about "Sylvia": "What I liked best was the way she wagged her tail." Actress Tiffanie Kilgast certainly put body and soul into an enthusiastic portrayal of a flea-scratching, body-sniffing, puddle-producing, barking canine that might have been part poodle and part lab.

An anonymous wit once said: "The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue."

The only graduate theater company in the country, the Hilberry has been a training ground for notable professional names on television and in movies.

They will do seven plays through May, and you can reach the box office at (313) 577-2972.

Home Again

The Stryker mobile infantry brigade that Col. Bob Brown (G.P. North '77) heads is due home to Fort Lewis, Wash. in late October.

Various Grosse Pointe family members plan to be on hand to visit the returning Army troops. Major J. Gordon Flowers (G.P. South '81) also served with the unit near Mosul, Iraq. Speaking from personal experience, there is no more

emotional experience than seeing your loved ones return from a war and step safely onto U.S. soil.

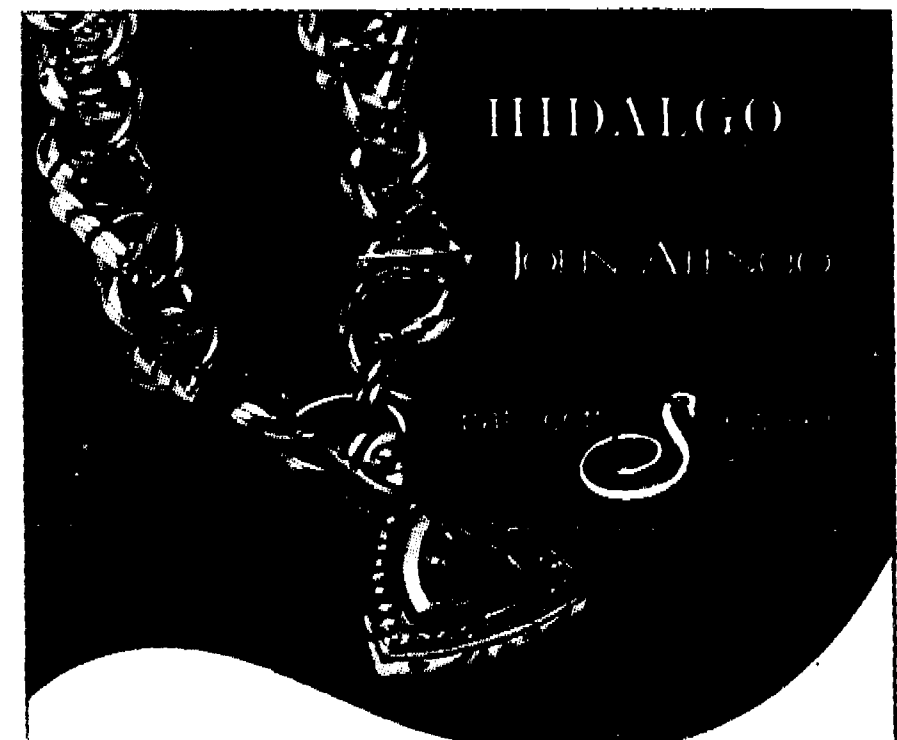
Plaid Pizza

The St. Andrews Society of Detroit's newsletter, "The Highland Fling," reports that a Scottish supermarket chain gave away free slices of Italian pizza topped with haggis on the day before a big soccer match between the Scottish and Italian teams.

The theory, according to a store manager, was that they hoped the Scots would come out on top. The superior Italian team played poorly until the final 15 minutes when they scored to gain a 1-1 tie.

Haggis is defined as a product "made of sheep's or calf's viscera minced with oatmeal, suet and onions and boiled in the animal's stomach." Perhaps the Scots sent free pizzas to the Italian locker room before the match. The combination sounds as if it would put anyone other than a fellow in a plaid skirt off his stroke.

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Project backpack

Maire Elementary families donated backpacks and school supplies for "Project Backpack" to give to elementary-aged children evacuated from Mississippi and Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina. Maire children, including first-graders Patrick Carpenter and Jacob Brauer, gave 43 backpacks, plus crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, facial tissue, stuffed animals and toys.

All items were stowed inside the backpack, along with positive and cheerful notes written by the students.

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Reading material

Dr. Jay W. Eastman and his colleagues sent families home from check-ups with free books and a prescription to "read aloud to your children." U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D) visited the practice to show her support of the program and read to young patients, including Andrew Stricco, right, of Grosse Pointe Park. Reach Out and Read doctors and nurses annually distribute 3.4 million books to more than 2.1 million children and their families at 2,482 pediatric practices, hospitals, clinics and health centers in all 50 states, targeting those centers which serve children at socioeconomic risk.

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Butler Republican Club Oct. 18

Keith A. Butler, political activist in the Michigan Republican Party since 1982, former Detroit city councilman, one of Ten Outstanding Americans in 1989 and pastor of a Christian church in Southfield, will be the featured speaker on his candidacy for the U.S. Senate at the next Eastside Republican Club Forum on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe

Cliff. The Eastside Republican Club urges the community to meet Keith Butler and hear this committed man relate his experiences in the political realm beginning in the early '80s," says Marti Miller, chairman of the Eastside Republican Club. "His story is compelling; as a candidate who feels his run for U.S. Senate is not a mere opportunity, but a responsibility, he must be heard. Our board also has invited area mayoral and municipal judge candidates to speak

November election, as is the role of the Club."

Butler's history in the Republican Party begins as developer and writer of Urban Communications Plan in the Headlee campaign for governor in 1982 and spans being precinct delegate in 1984, one of Five Outstanding Michiganders in 1988, first known Republican since World War II to serve as Detroit city councilman in 1989, one of Ten Outstanding Americans for 1989 honored by President George H. W. Bush, contributing writer to The Detroit News, and National Platform Committee member and deputy chair of the Republican National Convention in 1994.

Butler was a member of Heintz Prechter's GOP Fundraising Committee now supporting President George W. Bush. He has also served as a member of the Michigan Republican State Committee and a 2004 co-chair for Bush/Cheney.

Butler is the founder and senior pastor of the 21,000 member congregation of Word of Faith International Christian Center Church. Butler's education includes a bachelor's degree from University of Michigan-Dearborn, theological studies completed at Rhema Bible Training Center in Tulsa, Okla.

Butler is married 29 years to Deborah Butler, a minister, and is the father of three children, all ministers.

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. The public is welcome regardless of political affiliation.

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Stock market survived September, what will October bring?

September ended about where it began, with the Dow up a miniscule 0.8 percent, the S&P 500 ahead by 0.7 percent, and the NASDAQ Composite unchanged.

So big bad September, usually the worst month for stocks, ended up with a slight plus, thanks to the end-of-the-quarter buying by mutual funds "window dressing" their quarterly shareholder reports.

Overall, the markets continued being stuck in their 3rd quarter trading range, which, for the S&P 500, was 1,183-low and 1,246-high. Last Friday's 1,196 close was off only slightly from its 2005 mid-point of 1,214 and almost identical to last year end's close of 1,211.

In past years, October has endured many of the market's worst crashes. Many of us still remember "Black Monday" — Oct. 19, 1987 — with its 508 point selloff of 22.6 percent. (That was such a long day that some of us thought the tape would never stop).

Now, the bulls are determined to mount another 4th quarter rally to keep this cyclical bull market intact.

Let's talk... STOCKS

By Joseph Mengden



In recent years, such late-year rallies have almost become commonplace.

But, Barron's (Oct. 3) quotes Katie Townsend of MKM Partners in Greenwich, Conn., who reports: "The number of NYSE stocks at new 52-week highs minus those making new lows has sagged toward zero" last month, indicating a lack of strong leadership.

Junk Bonds

Since the Fed has 11 times increased its bank lending rate, all money market investment rates have increased proportionally. Last Friday, fed funds futures rates pointed to two more 25-basis point increases by the Federal Reserve before this year-end, which would equate to a 4 1/4 percent rate then.

But many investors keep hunting for even higher yields, and they seem to be willing to accept significant risks to obtain them. For brave investors, the ultimate high-yield is paid by the so-called "junk bonds," so called by the credit rating agencies, when they point out the "risk of default" inherent therein.

Jennifer Ablan, staff writer of the "Current Yield" weekly column in Barron's (Oct. 10), devotes 11 paragraphs to a discussion of the billions of NYSE-listed General Motors bonds, originally marketed to individuals in \$25 par value denominations.

Last week, the GM 7 1/4 percent bonds due 6-15-2041 (symbol: XGM) hit a new low of 16.20 (or 64.8 percent of its \$25 par value), currently yielding about 11.3 percent

(based on its quarterly dividend paid Sept. 15).

Most of the sellers in the recent trades are probably bailing out at huge losses, while the buyers, aware of the "junk status," were willing to accept the risks involved.

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No hedges here

After writing the sordid details of the Bayou Hedge Fund (see LTS Sept. 8), the good news from Highwood Partners LP ("HP") deserves attention. Jim Leonard, CFA, is the founder and General Partner of HP, local hedge fund headquartered in Bloomfield Hills.

During the late 1980s, LTS hired Leonard into First of Michigan as an equity research trainee, and later encouraged him to study for the CFA (Charter Financial Analyst). He was among the very few applicants completing the program in the 3-year minimum.

Leonard reported to LTS,

who was then the firm's NYSE-appointed supervisory Analyst, and we worked together for many years.

On Monday, Oct. 3, LTS received a mailed complimentary copy of HP's Nine Month Report, the first business day after the end of the quarter. The report stated that HP returned about 10 percent net to the limited partners, after the general partner's management fee and incentive fee.

During the same 9-month period, the DJI declined 2.0 percent; the S&P 500 rose 1.4 percent, and the NASDAQ Composite fell 1.1 percent.

Once again, HP's results benefited from buyouts, including three in one week. Leonard expects market volatility to kick up dramatically in the months ahead. Near term, he anticipates a strong 4th quarter for the market, perhaps an exceptionally strong one.

Good luck, Jim. Christmas came early.

You know that Christmas

is just around the corner when the catalogs arrive in bulk. Our big day was Friday, Sept. 28, when our mail carrier arrived with 25 catalogs weighing in at 6 2/3 lbs., all in addition to the usual junk mail from SBC and Comcast.

Some retailers even send multiple catalogs to arrive the same day (Neiman Marcus and Bloomingdale's), one for upscale clothing and the other for home decor.

Thanks to the courtesy of some merchants selling (or swapping) names and addresses, we keep getting dozens of new catalogs each year. After Mrs. LTS thumbs through the new pile, guess where LTS deposited those catalogs?

All of which reminds LTS of the early 1960s, when Aunt Eileen Edwards (of Grosse Ile) announced each year that she had finished her Christmas shopping by Oct. 1 and had mailed all her Christmas cards to arrive on the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Recycle your old computer equipment

A few weeks ago one of my readers asked what she could do with an old computer she no longer uses. I did not have an answer to the question until now, but you have to act fast.

The Dell computer company, along with Macomb County and the State of Michigan, is holding a recycling event this Saturday, Oct. 15, at Freedom Hill County Park. The park is located at 15000 Metro Parkway in Sterling Heights.

You can drop off old computers, monitors, scanners, keyboards and laptops between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Two notes: This is not a donation center, and no receipts for tax purposes will be given. It's a "dump your junk event." Second: Stereo equipment, old cell phones and televisions will NOT be accepted.

The purpose of the event is to keep hazardous materials, like lead, out of landfills. If your PC has a Pentium 2 processor or higher, you can check with some school districts (not Grosse Pointe) to see if they want them. If they say no, it is probably because old computers are high maintenance and not worth the effort.

Remember, this is a one shot deal and it's this Saturday.

Last week, I asked for solutions for a woman who wanted advice on handling mailing lists and whatever. ("Whatever" is because my memory is failing.) We will have to address that next



week since my computer is down, and I can't get at all the information.

And before you say, "Nyah, Nyah, the geek broke his computer!" I didn't. We are moving all the computers and all our furniture, it seems, in the house, and my stuff is last as usual.

Speaking of a long time ago, back when PCs were powered by hamsters, I did a column on Weird and wacky Web sites. I've found some more and thought I'd share.

If you don't get enough bad news in your life, pay a visit to HYPERLINK "http://www.infowars.com" www.infowars.com. It has loads of articles and links about politics, religion and world events.

Being a true herbivore, I had to swallow hard on this next one. It's put together by the Vegetable Rights Association, and its motto is, Speak Up for the Greens. You'll find it at HYPERLINK "http://www.village.org" www.village.org. Personally, I think vegetarians eat living things too, but theirs are easier to catch.

How about HYPERLINK "http://www.zompist.com" www.zompist.com? You can

use the site to create your own language. Hey, JRR Tolkien did it. Why not you?

I was going to visit the Telepathy Pages (HYPERLINK "http://www.spiritualists.org" www.spiritualists.org), but I already knew what it was going to say. (Old joke.)

Want to jump on the Jackalope band wagon? This site (HYPERLINK "http://www.sudftw.com" www.sudftw.com) talks about one of the rarest animals in the world. Just follow the links for more information and a photo of the elusive critter.

If you are into crop circles, the site you want is HYPERLINK "http://www.paradigmshift.com" www.paradigmshift.com.

Okay, so I have a dark side. I liked Wills of the Rich and Famous (HYPERLINK "http://www.ca-probate.com" www.ca-probate.com). You can see copies of the last will and testament of famous people. See if they are a distant relative and left you something. Not!

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In the early 1980s I had a chance to visit the government site where they conducted atomic bomb tests. It was so scary I spent the next hour under my desk shielding my eyes. Visit HYPERLINK "http://www.atomic-tourist.com" www.atomic-tourist.com.

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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The CPI, sometimes called the cost of living index, measures inflation through the changes in prices paid for goods and services by consumers. The stock and bond markets may react poorly to an unexpected rise in CPI in anticipation of higher interest rates.

The unemployment report measures the previous month's percentage of the civilian labor force which is unemployed and searching for work. Markets like to see steady job gains versus either overly robust or weak job reports.

Economists particularly look for interest rate clues



from the Federal Reserve. The fed influences short-term interest rates through the federal funds rate — the interest rate banks charge each other for overnight loans. The fed conducts monetary policy through the federal funds rate, which has begun to rise.

GDP (Gross Domestic Product) is the market value of all goods and services produced on an annual basis. The financial markets react well to healthy, sustainable GDP growth.

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Michigan and the Conference Board survey consumer confidence. In judging the nation's mood, the reports measure optimism or pessimism. They may provide clues to Americans' future spending patterns.

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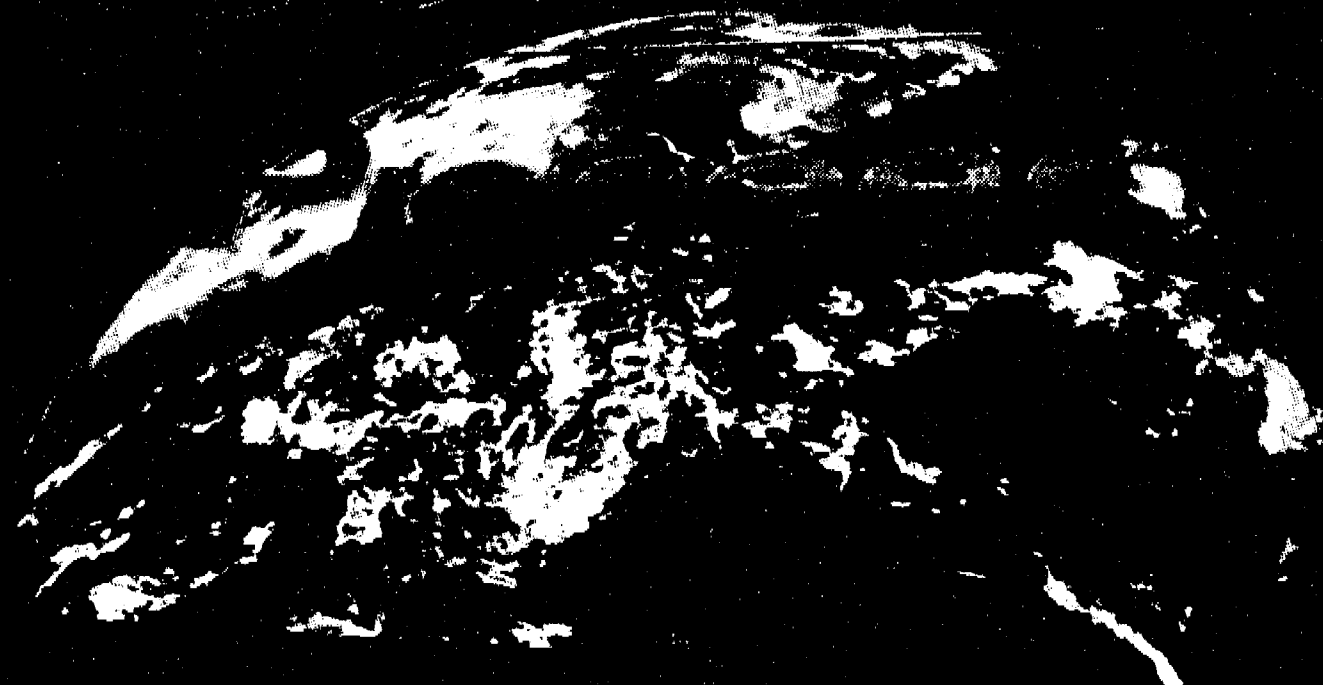
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Richard memories — the old and the new

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

For 75 years Richard Elementary School has been welcoming students through its doors. On Sunday, Oct. 9, past and present students, staff and parents were welcomed once again as the district observed the school's birthday.

As with any birthday, the celebration involved birthday cake, music, laughter and pictures, past and present.

Picture displays of decades between 1930 and 1990 lined the main hallway on the first floor during the celebration and fall festival. Visitors pointed to pictures on the wall of "how I used to look," and stories of how it used to be in the 1930s and in 2004 tumbled out to enlighten a multitude of listeners.

Joyce Alef and her two brothers attended Richard in the 1930s. Alef sent her four children to Richard. David and Janet Cornillie attended Richard during the 1970s and have seen one son through Richard. Their second child, a daughter, is in the first grade.

It was a great place to learn, Alef said. She cites Miss Norris her first-grade teacher, math teacher Mr. Went and music teacher Mrs. Ellis as making education exciting.

"Jason loves it here," said Ron Utz of his third-grade son's school. "It's a high-quality education. They are doing a lot" to enhance the educational experience.

"It's an enriching environment," said Jack Muller, whose child moved to middle school this year.



Combined with Richard Elementary's 75th birthday party was the annual fall festival in which students and their parents were able to choose a pumpkin. The school using French architecture reflects the area's heritage and pays tribute to the school's namesake, Father Gabriel Richard.

Muller and Utz cited extras provided for Richard children including field trips, the wireless computers, the PTO help and the room mothers.

Products of the late 1960s and early 1970s, the Cornillies remember receiving the news of Martin Luther King Jr.'s death

while attending Richard and radios being sneaked into school to listen to the Tigers play during the World Series.

Janet said English was her favorite subject and recalled going home for lunch to watch "Andy of Mayberry." David's favorite time of day was recess. The

couple continued their education through South High School. Janet attended Kalamazoo College and David went to Western Michigan University. However, they came home for graduate school. Marriage followed along with a decision on where to raise a family.

"It's a good place to raise children, in a warm, caring environment," Janet said.

Her husband looked over the playground and added, "So many parents grew up here. We know parents and grandparents."

Sie Kofallinos, a sixth grader, said Richard is a good place to learn because



Photos by Robert McKean

Joyce Alef of the City of Grosse Pointe came back to Richard to peek into the classrooms she attended when a student between 1935 and 1942. She talked about her teachers and her best friend, Jane Marks.

of the cool teachers, including fifth-grade teacher Nancy Swartz.

After 15 years, Swartz said working at Richard is wonderful. "The best things have been the parents. The parents have become my friends."

One can't help but become friends with other parents, because according to parent Jackie Muller, "It's like one big family."

The Richard family centers around 430 students, 21 teachers and 20 support staff including maintenance engineer Jack Travis. He has been sweeping the floors and filling paper towel dispensers at Richard for 25 years. He has also produced magic tricks to cheer a sad child and reminded children there is no running in the halls; however, skipping is allowed. See RICHARD, page 15A

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They are walking to school for fun, health benefits

By Ann L. Fouty
Staff Writer

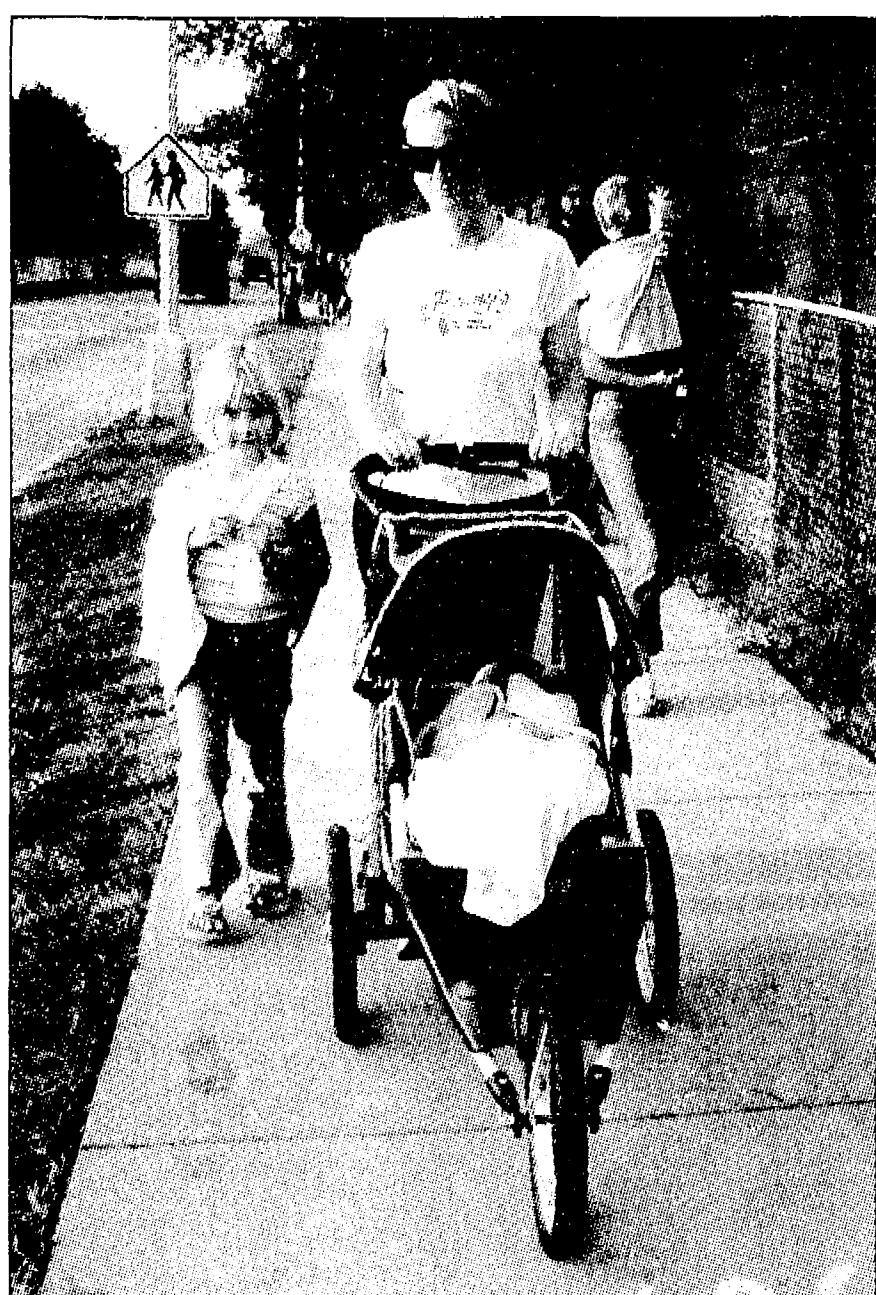
Eight-year-old Lindahna Mahone walks to school.

The third-grader at Poupard Elementary School said she does it for exercise.

Anneke Peterson regularly walks her children, kindergartner Avery and third-grader Ethan, seven blocks to school.

Though both Mahone and the Petersons walk every day, on Wednesday, Oct. 5, they were part of 150 who joined Poupard students, staff and parents in Walk to School Day, sponsored by the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports and the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Children from Poupard, Mason, Kerby, Maire and Defer walked to their respective schools as part of an annual event to promote physical fitness, an increase in awareness of traffic and



Kindergartner Avery Peterson walks with her mother, Anneke, to school nearly every day. Five-month-old Gavin goes along for the enjoyable stroller ride. They were part of the third annual Walk to School Day at Poupard.

walking safety and provide an experience for families.

Peterson added that her family's daily walks turn into nature hikes. They look at the variety of flowers planted in the neighborhood, watch for birds and squirrels. She said she also listens to her children talk about the events in their lives, and "it's just a fun thing to do."

Sandra Wurm was another mother who walked her

daughter, Charming, to school.

"We got up extra early this morning," she said. Wurm and her day care children walk a mile every day. "It's good for them. It increases their heart rate and (gets them) into the fresh air. We turn it into a scavenger hunt. They pick up leaves and nut shells."

Principal Penny Stocks was pleased with the turnout, saying the event is in its third year, and participation has increased every year. In fact, she is planning to expand the event to four times a year for several reasons. Walking has physical benefits, and it also helps



Photos by Ann L. Fouty

Crossing guards Meghan VanCleve and Grace Tatum are posted at Harper and Van Antwerp, a busy corner, especially last week on Walk to School Day. More than 150 parents, students and staff of Poupard Elementary School walked from city hall to school as part of the national Walk to School Day on Oct. 5.

get the mind active, especially this week because MEAPs are under way. The third- and fourth-graders are taking the English/language arts test, and the fifth-graders are taking the English/language arts and science tests.

As students toting pink, black or blue backpacks pass her by on the playground, she told them how happy she was to see them walk and reminded them to "hydrate."

With exercise, proper diet and drinking water, she is confident her students are prepared for the tests which assess accumulated knowledge and carry out the No Child Left Behind mission.

Stocks adds that the Walk to School Day is one all-school event in which parents can participate to meet other parents and the parents of their children's friends.

"It bonds the school. And it's great exercise for the

kids. It's growing in numbers."

It also eliminates conges-

tion in the parking lot's drop off zone.

Elementary school buildings were built at a time when most students either walked or rode their bikes to school, she said, and now most are driven to school adding to the congestion and to the lack of student exercise.

Safety is another issue to be addressed in walking because Stocks wants to make sure all her 353 children get to school. She said the Harper Woods Police Department is vigilant in keeping the streets and playgrounds safe for the children. And there are 35 fifth-graders posted at 15 corners to help the children cross safely.

Captain Meghan VanCleve and her partner Grace Tatum at VanAntwerp and Harper say they have a busy corner, both in the number of walkers and the amount of vehicular traffic.

With blue skies above, leaves to pick up and friends to greet, Walk to School Day paid off in more ways than one.

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Baking mission

St. Clare of Montefalco fourth-grade students have been busy raising funds for the Hurricane Katrina victims with a bake sale during Sept. 26 lunch period. The new student council officers at the Catholic school continue to collect donations for hurricane victims. When they heard that there were people within the school community, and one enrolled in St. Clare, from New Orleans, students generously gave clothing, food, shoes and money. Some of their donations will be given to a family with five children and their uncle. The church community has also donated more than \$3,300 to help hurricane victims.

College funding classes slated

A free college admissions and funding workshop is being held for Grosse Pointe families at 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20, and Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Sylvan Learning Center.

The classes will provide information on how to reduce college expenses by thousands of dollars and how to find colleges that are looking for your type of student.

They will be offering scholarships to entice the student to attend.

Despite income or asset level there is a way to reduce the cost of college through information in this class.

Participants will also learn

- How your student can significantly raise SAT or ACT scores and get more money for college.
- How to have the IRS pay for a big piece of college

expenses.

- How to attend a private university for the cost of a state school.

- How to get money from colleges even if the family doesn't qualify for financial aid.

- Exactly what to do before applying to maximize what the colleges offer.

- How to avoid the biggest mistakes when paying for college.

- How the student can learn study skill secrets that will make studying in college easier.

This workshop is appropriate for upper-middle to high-income and high-net-worth families who will not qualify for need-based financial aid.

The center is located at 93 Kercheval Ave.

Call (313) 640-0000 to reserve a spot. Seating is limited to the first 30 who register.

Parental input needed

The Grosse Pointe Public School System has initiated a study to revise the human sexuality curriculum in grades four through eight. The district is seeking parental input concerning the appropriate ages for areas of instruction as mandated by the state of Michigan.

A parent survey is available on The Grosse Pointe Public School System Web site at www.gpschools.org. Your comments and input will assist the committee in developing the curriculum. All surveys must be completed no later than 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26.

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Charter One

Richard

From page 13A

is crew were paid compliments on how well the school looks. "The kids get into mischief, but they are respectful. It's a reflection of the parents."

"The best things about working here are the parents and the community. They are down to earth and straightforward. They can talk to me, and problems are resolved here," Travis said.

He has seen Richard turn from the district's warehouse to education taking place on all three floors. The third floor was used as the district's storage facility.

"The third floor was used for storage for the entire district. It was the only building that had an attic that had an elevator to it. Things from South and North were stored here."

That changed when classrooms and the library were installed on the third floor.

Travis has seen the style of desks change, carpeting

ripped up and an increase in the need for hand-washing supplies. He knows when spring is just around the corner because students become more rambunctious, and their pranks center around wet toilet paper clinging to the ceiling.

Maybe the children's lines aren't as straight as previous years' classes when they walk down the halls, but the children haven't changed, he said.

Three generations of children have walked the halls of Richard, named for Father Gabriel Richard creating memories.



David and Janet Cornillie attended Richard, as did their son, Ben. Daughter, Brooke, is in first grade.



Julie Bellovich of Grosse Pointe Farms finds a picture of herself taken when she attended the school in the 1970s.



And that's little Julie as pointed out by adult Julie Bellovich.

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LEADERSHIP COUNTS

Ask the experts about children

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

Let's admit it: no one knows everything about parenting. All parents have questions and concerns about their children. Wouldn't it be nice to have a direct line into experts when you want some advice?

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods is offering the next best thing: a question and answer session for parents of young children up to five years of age, with local education, health and safety professionals.

The Family Center presents "Ask the Experts: Issues Affecting Your Children and Family Today" on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at The Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, Grosse Pointe.

The four specialists who will lend their expertise to parents are Dr. Peter Francis, medical adviser for Pediatrics at Bon Secours Cottage Health Services; Officer Edward Tujaka, Safety Town instructor from the Public Safety Department for the City of

Grosse Pointe; Nancy Ozimek, principal at Beacon Elementary School in Harper Woods and Barbara Sjolander, former elementary and middle school counselor for the Grosse Pointe public schools. They will briefly discuss current trends and concerns in the community, followed by a Q & A session.

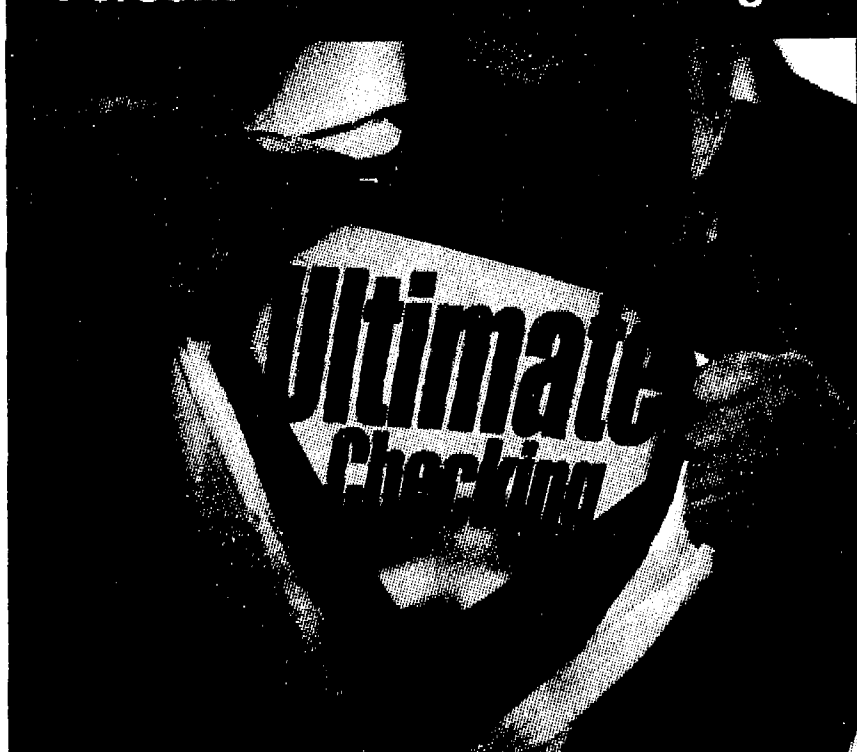
Parents will have a chance to submit questions anonymously in advance or at the beginning of the session. Questions submitted in advance will be addressed first.

All information will be held in strictest confidence to ensure parents' privacy.

The Family Center is offering free babysitting to parents attending the event. Spaces are limited so advance registration is necessary. Admission is also free.

To make a babysitting reservation or to submit a question to the experts in advance, contact Diane Strickler, Family Center director, at (313) 432-3832 or e-mail her at Diane.strickler@gpschools.o

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Revenge

A 42-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms woman last week told City of Grosse Pointe police that her 2005 Honda Odyssey station wagon had been vandalized while parked behind a grocery store on Kercheval in the Village.

The woman said the vehicle's silver paint was scratched with a key sometime between 3:30 and 4:15 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 7.

She also reported finding a note: "You are a stupid and inconsiderate driver. You blocked me in so I couldn't get in the driver-side door."

Checked out

A 49-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man is being suspected of cashing nine checks bearing his mother's forged signature.

One check, for \$275, was cashed at a bank on the Hill. Police and bank investigators said a video exists showing the man cashing the check in July.

The suspect's mother had reported the checks stolen.

Mean dogs

A 47-year-old woman living in the 200 block of Touraine received two citations from Grosse Pointe Farms police for allowing her two black Labrador retrievers to run at large.

On Friday, Oct. 7, at about 9 a.m., the dogs reportedly

acted viciously toward Kerby Elementary school children in the area of Beaupre and Touraine.

The principal chased the dogs and called police. Three officers responded, all of whom reported the dogs snarling.

The dogs retreated when a lieutenant arrived and shot them with several rounds of non-lethal pepper balls.

"(The dog owner) came to the door and called her dogs in," police said. "(She) stated to officers that she had both dogs enclosed behind a gate in her rear yard and does not know how they escaped."

At about the time officers were on the scene, a dispatcher at headquarters answered the call of a woman who said the same two labs chased her and threatened to attack.

"(The caller) was walking her dog near Touraine and Beaupre when this occurred," police said.

Wallet taken

On Tuesday, Oct. 4, between 1 and 2:15 p.m., someone stole the wallet of a woman who left her book bag unattended at the Central Branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The woman, a 23-year-old Harrison Township resident, told police she suspects the theft occurred while she left her seat to make a telephone

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call. She said her brightly-colored Hype wallet contained \$45 cash.

Too drunk

Grosse Pointe Farms police said a woman caught last weekend driving the wrong way in the eastbound lanes of Mack was too drunk to be tested for alcohol consumption.

On Saturday, Oct. 8, at 3:29 a.m., police stopped the woman operating her 2001 Chevrolet Monte Carlo near Washington.

"(She) was so intoxicated she needed medical attention," police said. Medics took her to a hospital.

Her license had been suspended. She was wanted on unspecified charges in 36th District Court.

Buster a hit

Buster the golden retriever landed on his four super-sized paws last weekend when Grosse Pointe Shores police found him wandering unattended in the area of Lochmoor and Lakeshore.

Buster got a free lunch and bowl of fresh water out of the deal, plus a lot of attention from officers.

On Saturday, Oct. 8, at 9:48 a.m., Sgt. Dan Pullen was on patrol when he saw the unlicensed dog running free. Pullen couldn't trace the animal's ownership, so he took it to headquarters.

"He was the most beautiful dog I've ever seen, and the biggest golden retriever," Pullen said.

Officers reported the animal to neighboring police departments, but no one had reported a missing dog. Shores officers let the dog roam the station house while waiting for its owner to call.

The dog was happy to receive a dinner roll from the lunch of Lt. David Younk.

"That dog didn't dislike anything," Younk said. "He was a happy camper."

Pullen took the animal for a walk in the Shores' new dog park beside Village Hall.

At 2:30 p.m., the owner, a new resident of the Shores, reported the dog missing and took him home.

Pullen said Buster is "definitely" welcome back anytime.

— Brad Lindberg

Move it

On Sunday, Oct. 9, at 3:44 p.m., Grosse Pointe Woods police issued a citation to a 50-year-old Berkeley man who left his vehicle unattended in the rear yard of a

building in the 1200 block of Cook Road.

The man showed up as the officer was writing the citation; so the officer told the man why he was issuing the citation, and he said he understood.

Larceny

At 6:31 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 8, a 22-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman reported to police that her cell phone was taken while she was working at a business in the 19800 block of Mack.

She contacted her cell phone carrier to explain what had happened.

Bay broken

On Saturday, Oct. 8, at 8:21 a.m., a 55-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman living in the 500 block of Moorland Drive told police her front bay window of her home was broken by an unknown person or persons during the night of Thursday, Oct. 6.

The window was broken but still intact. Police told the woman it was possible that her lawn care company might have accidentally broken the window when one of their lawn mowers shot a rock that hit the window. It looks as if it were an accident.

Young drinker

During the night of Saturday, Oct. 8, a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male was arrested and taken into custody for minor in possession of alcohol by consumption.

A Grosse Pointe Woods officer was making routine patrols around the 20000 block of Mack when the officer noticed three individuals traveling in a vehicle without their seat belts on.

After pulling over the driver, the officer could detect a strong odor of intoxicants in the car and asked the three individuals, each under the age of 21, to exit the vehicle.

Each teenager was asked to take a standardized Breathalyzer test, and the driver's came back at .000, while the other two registered .015 and .060.

The one teen who was taken into custody was released to his parents a short time later.

Bad checks

On Friday, Oct. 7, at 12:30 p.m., a 47-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man who is an employee of a business in the 19700 block of Mack reported to police that a

Grosse Pointe Farms man stole two checks from his mother and forged a signature in order to cash those checks.

The suspect had the checks made out to him in the amount of \$295 and \$675. Both checks were cashed to his account, and he withdrew some funds from his account.

Grosse Pointe Woods detectives are investigating.

Stolen & found

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, a 41-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman reported to police that her red 1999 Dodge Intrepid was stolen between 6 and 8 p.m. while it was parked in the parking lot of a building in the 700 block of Vernier.

On Thursday, Oct. 6, Grosse Pointe Woods police received a call from the Detroit Police Department, saying it found the 1999 Dodge Intrepid near 8 Mile and Pelkey. The ignition was damaged, but there were no other signs of damage to the vehicle.

Coins stolen

On Thursday, Oct. 6, at 12:42 a.m., Grosse Pointe Shores police notified Grosse Pointe Woods public safety of the theft of coins from a USA Today newspaper box located in front of a business in the 20700 block of Mack.

The box was pried open, and change taken.

Stolen car

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, a 50-year-old Harper Woods man told police someone tried to steal his 2004 Chrysler Sebring as it was parked in the lot of a building in the 700 block of Vernier.

The vehicle's driver side door was damaged; the ignition was lying on the driver side floor, and the steering column was damaged.

Busted

At 11:51 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 5, a 21-year-old Detroit man was pulled over because the exhaust on his car was too loud.

A Law Enforcement Information Network check revealed the man's driver license was suspended, and he had two outstanding warrants. The driver did not produce a driver license or proof of insurance when the officer pulled him over.

The man was arrested and taken into custody.

Stop yelling

On Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 11:25 p.m., a 54-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 1100 block of Hampton reported to police that a neighbor was outside in his own backyard yelling obscenities and appeared to

be intoxicated.

Police arrived and took the man to Cottage Hospital where he was put into a detoxification room.

Theft

On Saturday, Oct. 8, between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m., a Troy built lawnmower was taken from the back of a pick-up truck as it was parked in the street in the 15000 block of Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park.

Bike taken

On Friday, Oct. 7, between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., an unknown size BMX bike was taken from the bike racks at a building in the 15000 block of Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park.

Watch gone

On Sunday, Oct. 9, between 2:30 and 4 a.m., a Breitling Evolution man's watch was removed from a bedroom after a party at a residence in the 1500 block of Windmill Pointe in Grosse Pointe Park.

Police are investigating.

Bike theft

Overnight on Monday, Oct. 3, a Giant Modern bike was taken from the driveway of a home in the 900 block of Westchester in Grosse Pointe Park.

B & E

Overnight on Tuesday, Oct. 4, an unknown person pried out the front door glass and entered a business in the 15000 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Park.

The suspect removed \$130 in cash from a register.

Destruction of property

Between Monday, Oct. 3, and Wednesday, Oct. 5, an unknown person removed the weather stripping frame around the front window of a home in the 15000 block of Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park.

Cadillac stolen

On Monday, Oct. 10, between 5:05 and 5:25 a.m., a 2003 Cadillac was taken from the driveway of a home in the 1400 block of Yorkshire in Grosse Pointe Park.

Through On-Star, the vehicle was recovered in Eastpointe.

Arrested


On Monday, Oct. 3, at 6:50 p.m., Grosse Pointe Park police officers responded to an attempted car theft in progress in the 500 block of Lakepointe. The suspect, a Detroit man, was pursued to Jefferson and Parkview where the vehicle struck a fire hydrant, and arrested.

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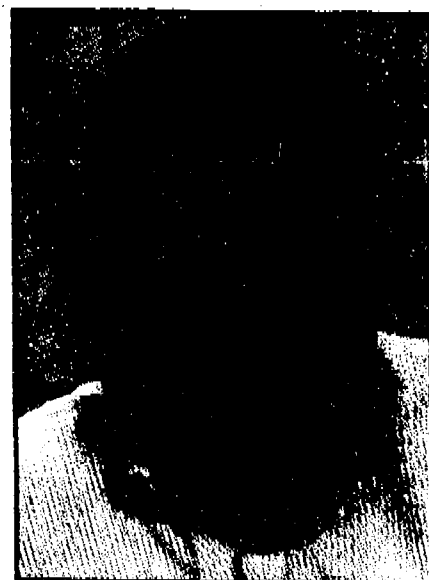
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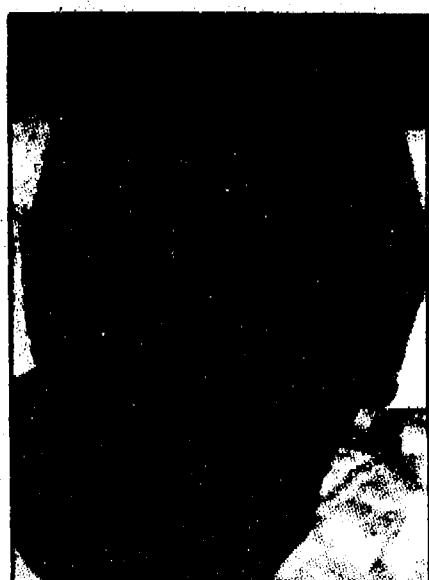
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Memorial contributions may be made to St. Johns Medical Center Foundation, P.O. Box 123, Jackson Hole, WY 83001.

Mark Hall Eagle

A memorial Mass was celebrated Tuesday, Oct. 11, at Annunciation Church in Detroit.



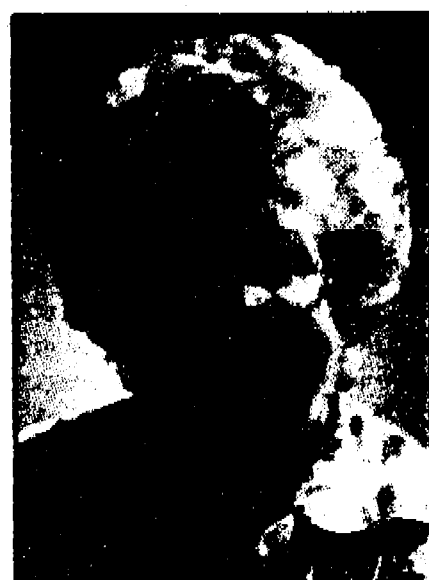
Marco Nobili

Mr. Nobili is survived by his sister, Maria Luisa Nobili Arlotto and her three

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms on Monday, Oct. 10. Interment is at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

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Frances R. Rinke

Share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guest Book" at WuiekCalcaterra.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Frances R. Rinke

She was a warmhearted person who loved everyone. She always had a joke and a smile to share with anyone.

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Quattro

from page 18A

We tested the A4 three times from 70 mph to a dead stop, and the state-of-the-art system was impeccable.

The A4 remains faithful to Audi's reputation for safe cars. The new A4's rigid body structure and meticulously calculated deformation properties, in conjunction with ultra-modern restraint systems, result in a high level of occupant safety.

We also want to mention the A4's optional audio system (\$1,000) that features a premium Bose sound system and XM Satellite radio, with Sirius also available. The audio system features an Audi Symphony radio, in-dash six-disc changer (in the glove box if navigation is ordered) and 10 speakers. It sounds great.

Other options included a \$2,100 premium package, a cold-weather package with heated front and rear seats for only \$750, 17-inch wheels and tires for \$500

and headlamp washers for \$150. The destination charge is \$720.

Important numbers include a 104.3-inch wheelbase, 13.4 cubic-feet of cargo space, 3,517-pound curb weight and a 16.6-gallon fuel tank. The EPA numbers are good at 22-miles per gallon city and 30-mpg highway.

It's on the road, however, where the A4 really shines. It handles like a real sports car, will go anywhere with Quattro all-wheel drive and then turns into a comfort cruiser on the highway. It's when you point it toward a country road, however, that you'll have the most fun.

We really like the A4, and rate it a solid 9 on a scale of 1 to 10.

Likes: Handling, turbo power, great cabin, looks.

Dislikes: Pricey, but it's an Audi.

— King Features
Syndicate

Enjoy the comfort of the '05 Sierra
2500 HD 4WD Diesel Crew Cab

By Greg Zyla

We test drove one of the biggest and most rugged vehicles we've tested in some time: the 2005 Sierra 2500 HD 4WD Crew Cab SLT — base price: \$40,790; price as tested: \$49,785. The first thing we must say is that this truck — despite its size and weight — is extremely comfortable, responsive and handles well. These are characteristics you're probably not expecting to be a highlight in the full-size, heavy-duty pickup truck market. However, the Sierra 2500 HD is just that and more.

It's tough finding a place to start with this good-looking, fully loaded monster, but let's take a quick look at some impressive numbers to set the stage: It's powered by a 6.6-liter Duramax diesel V-8 turbo that provides 310 horsepower at 3,000 rpm and 605 pound-feet of torque at 1,600 rpm. It weighs just shy of three tons at 5,907 pounds. And it can tow up to 12,000 pounds! Oh yes, one more number — an almost \$50,000 price tag.

The Duramax diesel is, of course, an option that GMC recommends if you're looking for maximum trailering



Photos courtesy of Wieck

2005 GMC Sierra 2500 HD 4WD Diesel Crew Cab

capacity. The engine is part of the \$6,805 Heavy Duty Power Package that also includes an Allison five-speed automatic transmission and a locking differential rear axle.

We gave the 6.6-liter diesel a bit of a test with two large scoops of landscape stone. It definitely took the back end down a pinch, but the engine hardly seemed taxed by the extra weight. We also backed the Sierra uphill to unload the stone, and the push-button four-

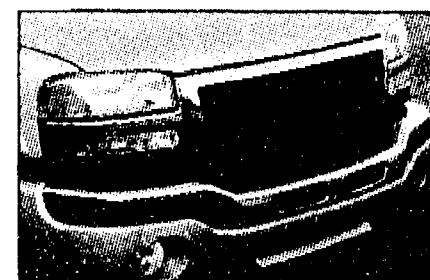
wheel drive and low-end torque made it easy.

One final note on the diesel: Unless you really need that extra power, consider the much quieter gasoline Vortec V-8. Despite claims from manufacturers, diesel engines are still loud.

While life on a farm or a construction site is no doubt the best way to get the most from the Sierra 2500 HD, we did enjoy its softer side. The vehicle drives and rides like a sedan, with solid steering response and no sway in the corners, even at higher speeds. The sightlines were impressive as well, thanks to Sierra's tall, wide windows.

A few things we really like on the long list of creature comforts are the power moon roof with a screen — a great touch, especially in dirty work environments; swiveling map lights; dual-zone air conditioning; front power reclining full-feature bucket seats; remote keyless entry with content theft alarm; steering-wheel radio controls; outside power, heated, folding mirrors with driver-side auto dimming; in-glass turn signals and curb tilt; and one year of OnStar.

The only item on this list not standard on the SLT is the moonroof, at \$1,100. Other extras on our tester



are chrome tubular assist steps, dealer-installed for \$495; XM Satellite Radio, \$325; pickup bed extender, \$210; and heavy-duty trailering equipment, \$210.

The Sierra offers four-wheel ABS with dynamic rear proportioning; longer life brake pads; engine over-heat protection; long-life ignition and plugs; serpentine belt, Dex-cool coolant and rear-axle fluid.

Other important numbers include a 153-inch wheelbase, 237.3-inch overall length, 256.1 with the long box; and 59 cubic-feet of bed volume, 73.9 with the long box.

The Sierra matches up well with its competition from Ford, Dodge and Nissan. We especially like what it offers in looks, power and ride, and rate it a 9 on a scale of 1 to 10.

Likes: Engine power, ride, handling.

Dislikes: Diesels are still noisy. Lacking in having only front air bags for driver and right side passenger.

— King Features
Syndicate

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE OF BID: 2005 SEWER CLEANING AND CCTV
INVESTIGATION PROGRAM IN
DISTRICT NO. 1 AEW PROJECT NO. 160-280

RECEIPT OF BIDS: The City of Grosse Pointe Woods will receive sealed bids until 10:00am, local time on Tuesday, October 25, 2005 at the offices of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The approximate quantities involved in this project are as follows:

Cleaning and CCTV Investigation of 8" - 12" Combined Sewers	12,965 LF
Cleaning and CCTV Investigation of 15" - 21" Combined Sewers	15,600 LF
Cleaning and CCTV Investigation of 24" - 27" Combined Sewers	4,265 LF
Cleaning and CCTV Investigation of 30" - 36" Combined Sewers	4,260 LF

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS: Plans and specification are on file and copies may be secured on or after Tuesday, October 11, 2005 at 1:00pm, at the offices of Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc., 51301 Schoenherr Road, Shelby Township, Michigan 48315. A fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) will be required for each set of proposed plans and specifications and will not be refunded. A mailing fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to cover postage and handling will be charged to anyone wishing to receive the plans and specifications via United Parcel Services. Specifications and plans are also on file for viewing at the office of the City Clerk. **BID SECURITY:** A certified check, bank draft or satisfactory bid bond, executed by the bidder and a surety company, payable to the City of Grosse Pointe Woods Treasurer, in an amount at least equal to five percent (5%) of the bid amount, shall be submitted with each bid. **WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS:** No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the receipt of bids. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:** The City of Grosse Pointe Woods reserves the right to accept any bid, to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities in bidding. The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory performance, maintenance and guarantee, labor and material bonds and insurance certificates.

Louise S. Warnke,
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 10/13/2005

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 2005

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held September 19, 2005.
- 2) To hold a Public Hearing on November 21, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of considering a request to rezone the property at 18555 Eastwood from R-1 One-Family Residential to C-1 General Business District.
- 3) To adjourn to the Conference Room for the 2006 Budget Workshop.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

RESOLUTION

PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 75107 through 75235 in the amount of \$582,711.90 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$5,479.50 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of August 2005. (3) Approve payment to Hoekstra Trucking Equipment Company in the amount of \$9,124.45 for the purchase of parts and supplies for the leaf season equipment. (4) Approve payment to Sadler Electric Company in the amount of \$5,382.90 for the wiring repair of the Balfour lift station and for the repair of contractors on the City Hall air handler unit. (5) Approve the low bid submitted by DMC Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$18,840.00, with a three-year lease plan at \$569 per month for the purchase of a new AS400 computer/server for the District Court.
- 2) To approve payment to Turner Construction Company in the amount of \$369,489.00 for Progress Payment No. 9 on the Library Renovation Project.
- 3) To approve the purchase of Lot 210 of the Homestead Farms Subdivision commonly known as 20666 Old Homestead in the amount not to exceed \$126,000 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign and execute all documents relative to this transaction.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Mickey D. Todd, City Clerk

Published: GPN: 10/13/2005

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE TO BIDDERS - DYMAX GRAB & GRIP 2.7 CUBIC YARD LEAF BUCKET OR EQUIVALENT. Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, until 9:30 a.m. on Monday, October 24, 2005, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing the following item: Dymax Grab & Grip 2.7 Cubic Yard Leaf Bucket or equivalent. Copies of specifications and bid sheets may be obtained from the City Clerk. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

Louise S. Warnke,
City Clerk

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
POLICE DEPARTMENT
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE

AUCTION OF IMPOUNDED/ABANDONED VEHICLES

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on October 20, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

1982 Chevrolet Camaro	2dr	1G1AP8775CN122712
1985 Pontiac 6000	4dr	2G2AG19R3F1210150
1995 Dodge Intrepid	4dr	2B3HD56TISH632768
1993 Pontiac Grand Am	2dr	1G2NW14N4PC717580
1998 Ford Escort	2dr	3FAKP1139WR273259
1991 Chevrolet Cavalier	4dr	1G1JC54G7M7201349
1992 Ford Tempo	2dr	1FAPP31XXNK141800
1993 Ford Explorer	SW	1FMDU34X7PUA99252
1990 Ford Thunderbird	2dr	1FAPP6045L11144414
1992 Pontiac Bonneville	4dr	1G2HX53L3N1287549
1990 Plymouth Voyager	SW	2P4FH45K6LR586987
1991 Dodge Shadow Convert.	2dr	3B8XP45K2MT597304
1994 Chrysler LHS	4dr	2C3ED56F2R11222457

The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to the auction, at Woods Towing. Payment by cash or certified check only. Cars listed may be pulled released prior to the auction by the Harper Woods Police Department.

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Traffic Safety Section

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2005

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers Roby, Joseph, Davis III, Theros, Leonard and Waldmair.

Those Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Director of Public Service; Huhn, Parks & Recreation Director; Ferber, Director Public Safety.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 12, 2005, were approved as submitted.

The Council approved the Preliminary Site Plan Review for 102 Kercheval Avenue, subject to specific conditions.

The Council approved the Harbor Renovations Slip Assignment Policy.

The Council approved the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- Crack, Fill & Seal Road Work Program
- 2006 Tree Replacement Program
- Appointed Peter Demczuk of 31 Beverly Road to the City's Historic District Commission.

The Council received the Public Safety Report for August, 2005 and ordered it placed on file.

The Council adjourned the Grosse Pointe War Memorials Request for Appeal of 60 Lake Shore Demolition Findings to Monday, October 17, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

The Council adopted a resolution to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, October 17, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/

James C. Farquhar Jr.,
Mayor

Shane L. Reeside,
Manager/City Clerk

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Environmentally friendly
automobiles of today

(MS) — According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the average car emits as much as 575 pounds of carbon monoxide into the air each year. Until automakers develop a more environmentally friendly automobile, it's up to individual drivers to help reduce their car's footprint on the planet.

The following tips help keep your car more environmentally friendly besides buying a new car or drastically changing your driving habits:

1. Always follow your car manufacturer's suggested tune-up schedule to ensure your vehicle is performing at its best. An out-of-tune engine can increase emissions and fuel consumption by as much as 15 percent, according to the EPA.

2. Upgrade your motor oil. Some high-performance motor oils have been proven to significantly reduce emissions.

3. Regularly replace your air filter. A clogged air filter can increase fuel consumption by as much as 10 percent. Air filters prevent impurities from damaging the interior of the engine. So replacing dirty filters will save gas and protect your engine.

4. Keep your vehicle's tires properly inflated. The U.S. Energy Department reports that underinflated tires can increase fuel consumption by up to 6 percent. One study estimates that 50 to 80 percent of the tires rolling on U.S. roads are underinflated. It will save you money too — collectively, Americans could save up to 2 billion gallons of gas each year simply by properly inflating their tires.

5. Avoid topping off your gas tank when you are filling it. Topping off releases gas fumes into the air and overrides the pump's antipollution devices. Capping your tank once the pump automatically shuts off is safer for the environment because it reduces pollution.

'05 Ford Focus ST: A nice fun car for the money

By Steve Schaefer

Ford's Focus has been helping the corporation's bottom line by offering interesting and economical motoring at the bottom of the company's product line. Originally designed as a European car with worldwide applications, the Focus is built for Americans.

Despite intense competition in the compact sedan field, the Focus has been a favorite of the motoring press because of its highly competent handling and decent power. Sadly, for the auto buff books, the 170-horsepower SVT model is no more, but the ST steps into the role. Despite a lower horsepower rating, it turns out more torque than the SVT, and it has plenty of energy for car enthusiasts on a budget.

For 2005, the New Edge styling cues, so avant-garde in 2000, have been edited out of the design template. The front end takes on a taller, more conventional look, with the de rigueur multi-lens headlamps and a more prominent grille with a mesh that resembles that of the new Five Hundred full-size sedan.

You'll have to look at the tail end to see any other outside changes. The tail-lamps are more straight-edged, and the playful slices that were part of the short-lived New Edge philosophy are as gone as the 20th century. Whether this is an improvement or just a revision is your call. The new look is appropriate for the market segment, which includes cars like the Honda Civic and Volkswagen Jetta, neither of which relies on extreme styling to sell vehicles.

It's the interior that gets the lion's share of the changes for 2005. The wild swooshes on the dash are now tamed, and Ford has made an effort to provide (and to mention) the upgraded plastic that they have used there.

Everything is easy to find and operate, which is all you really need from a car in this market segment. The seats feel comfortable, at least they did for the hour at a time I sat in the driver's chair. The manual five-speed was rewarding to shift, and although some road noise found its way inside, it was not intrusive.

I still wonder at Ford's noisy and reverse-logic lock buttons, which pop out when the door is locked and sit flush when it's unlocked. There are two different sizes of cup holders in the center console and more holders in the doors.

You can buy a Focus in four series starting with S and running upward through SE, SES, and ST. Match those models with four shapes, the three-door ZX3, four-door ZX4, five-door ZX5 (Notice the pattern? It's about to be broken.), and the ZXW wagon. The ST comes only as a four-door sedan with a five-speed manual, being the sporting type; there is no S model wagon.

Even the most basic S model gets things like an AM/FM stereo with single CD player and 15-inch wheels. But you need to step up to the SE, likely the most popular model, to get the power windows, locks and mirrors that most people prefer, plus keyless entry, air conditioning, and variable speed wipers. The SES brings in alloy wheels, which perk up the looks of the car substantially. You also get a tauter suspension with a rear-stabilizer bar, six slots for your CDs, cruise control, fog lamps, and a leather steering wheel to increase your sense of well-being.

The ST is the top and, naturally, most expensive choice. The biggest advantage is the engine. The standard powerplant for other models is the new 2.0-liter, 136-horsepower inline four, which replaces the previous 130-horsepower



2005 Ford Focus ST

Photos by Wieck Photo

engine, as well as last year's base model 110-horsepower unit. The ST gets a 2.3-liter 151-horsepower four, which has a specially tuned exhaust (for sound and for air flow). If you live in California (or in one of the four Eastern states that subscribe to our strict emission statutes) you can get a super clean engine that makes your Focus into a PZEV - Partial Zero Emissions Vehicle.

My CD Silver Clearcoat Metallic tester had a rear spoiler for an extra jaunty appearance, as well as tinted glass and a chrome exhaust tip. Inside, I got leather sport bucket seats (\$695) for fun and side impact air bags (\$350) for safety, and those seats were heated (\$115) too. Anti-lock brakes with traction control were installed to help avoid crashes in the first place.

The secret of getting the most grins out of this kind of car is to run the revs up high, where the engine can really pull. I did that seldom, being a good citizen,



European interior

but when I did, the car took off with vigor. Despite its sporting intentions, the

Focus ST is rated at 23 miles per gallon city, 32 mpg highway on the U.S. government's fuel economy test cycle (your mileage may vary).

For normal commuting, you couldn't go wrong with this car. At \$19,410, includ-

ing destination charges, it offers a good value for a small family or as a shuttlecraft from your big SUV. You can also pick up a basic Focus ZX3 S starting at just \$13,860.

— Autowire

Today's hot accessories steer car buyers

(NAPSI) — If you're like many consumers, your next auto purchase will be driven by what you plan to do to your vehicle — not just what you plan to do with it.

Whether it's a drop-down DVD player, new wheels or upgrading to a more powerful engine, experts say consumers tend to base their purchases on the accessories a vehicle can be outfitted with and how easy the vehicle is to personalize.

Today's hot accessories include performance parts, wheels, mobile electronics, suspension components and exterior styling products and the hottest cars and trucks are built with these accessories in mind.

The "Best Truck Design," "Best SUV Design" and "Best All-New or Redesigned Vehicle" were voted on this year by designers, marketers and members in the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA).

According to SEMA, any car can be accessorized, but the following are some of the easiest to add to.

• Best All-New or Redesigned Vehicle: The Mustang has long been a favorite among the accessorizing set, and the 2005 Ford Mustang won this division, hands down. The new model is fixed with a straight axle, which gives it the potential for more horsepower. "The new Mustang was born to be modified," said Austin Craig, of Steeda — a Mustang parts manufacturer. "It's easy to modify, whether you're a professional or a do-it-yourselfer. When you have a great platform to work from, like the Mustang, it's easy to improve on it."

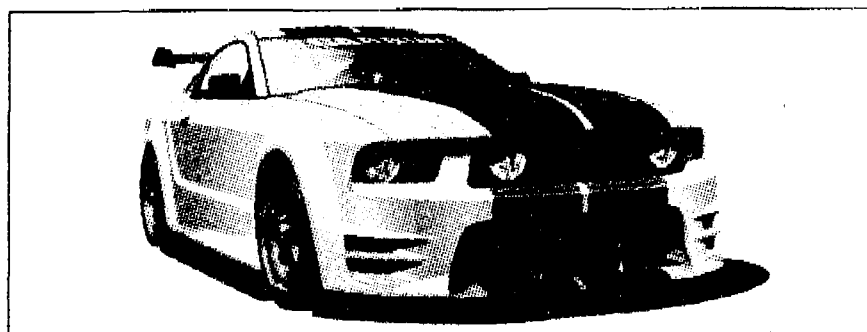
• Best SUV: The 2005 Chevrolet Tahoe rode off

with top honors. "There are just so many things out there for the Chevy Tahoe," said Rich Brown, SEMA member voter and engineer, American Racing Equipment. "You can get a variety of products — everything from wheels, tires and grilles to running boards and lift kits. A customer can really customize the Tahoe to fit their individual taste."


• Best Truck: The new Ford F-150 has received more than 30 awards since its introduction in 2004, including this one from SEMA. "It's obvious that a lot of thought was given

during the general design of the vehicle to the potential to install certain types of accessories," said Chris Shumacher, product design manager at Lund International. "I think a lot

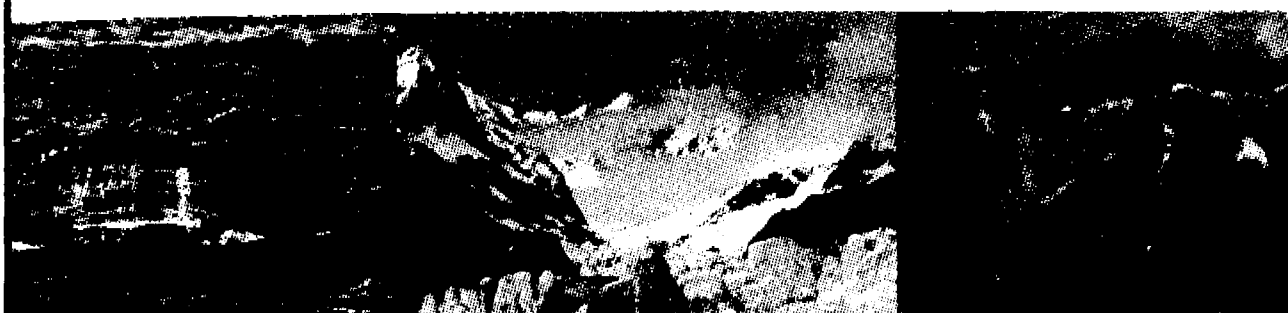
of thought was put into the vehicle in terms of the ability to mount things like running boards using existing factory holes. One of the big drivers for us is ease of installation."



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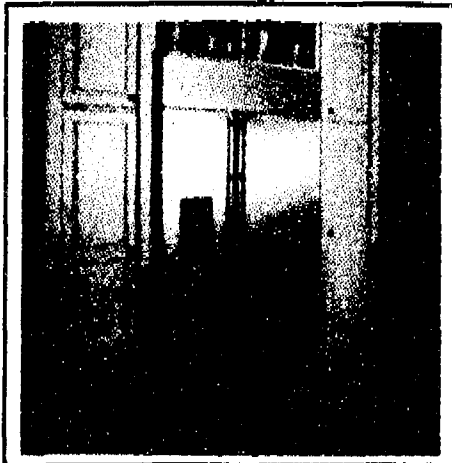
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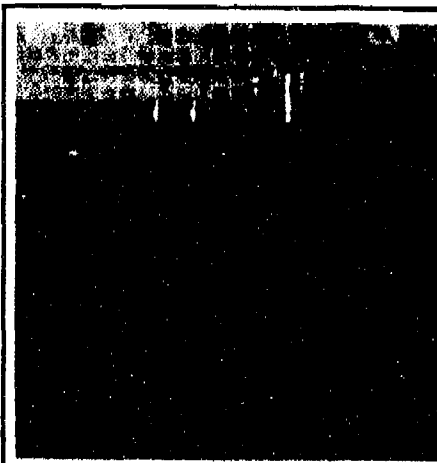
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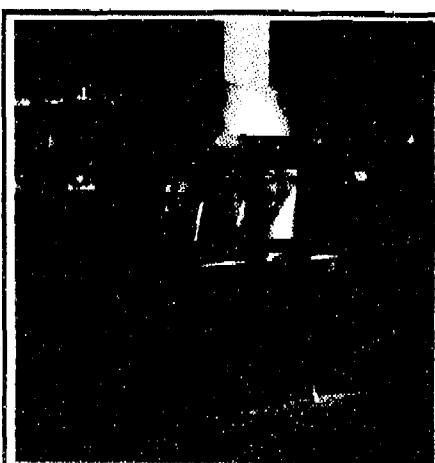
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A rocky love affair

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Love is more alluring than lust. Passion is sexier than pornography.

The distinction spans mediums.

There's a difference between a paperback with Fabio on the cover and Bengali poet Tagore's "secret whispered in the hush of night to the ear of your lover."

Anticipation triggers imagination. Imagination heightens expectation. It's a perpetual spiral.

There's the allure of backlit glamour portraits.

Classic sports contests are always close calls, not lopsided victories. Good comedians always leave 'em laughing.

A parallel exists with sculpture of the human form.

"When you see a little, it's more sensual than when you see a lot," said Antoinette Le Normand-Romain, curator of sculpture at Musee Rodin in Paris. Her French accent gives inherent credibility on such matters.

Le Normand-Romain was speaking of "The Waltz," a seminal bronze sculpture of a man and woman embraced in dance and covered partially by a swirling robe.

The work is part of a special exhibition at the Detroit Institute of Arts through Feb. 5.

"Camille Claudel & Rodin: Fateful Encounter" contains

about 120 sculptures roughly divided equally between the artists and lovers, Camille Claudel and Auguste Rodin. Context is provided by another 50 collateral pieces, including sorrowful letters of longing handwritten on yellowed paper stained with heartbroken tears.

"This brings together the work of two geniuses who had an extraordinary relationship both artistically and personally," said Graham Beal, DIA director. "It's one of the great artistic love stories and one of the most tragic of all time."

"It is a major international exhibition," said Alan Darr, DIA Walter B. Ford II Family curator of European sculpture and decorative arts and curator of the Detroit exhibit. "We bring two artistic geniuses side-by-side. Their intense passion toward each other fueled many of these art works."

As with "The Waltz," on rare loan from a museum in Oslo, Norway.

"Here you see the union of the two," said Le Normand-Romain, co-curator of the exhibition as it makes its way from Canada, to Detroit to conclusion next year in Switzerland. Detroit is the show's only United States



would come to include "The Thinker."

The work's original plaster cast is an exhibition highlight. Visitors can compare it with the full-sized bronze version on permanent display outside the institute's front entrance.

Rodin was 41 at the time of the commission. He was an artist of growing reputation, heading toward rock star status with an eye for younger women. Claudel was 17, precocious and star struck.

Their roles heated quickly from student and teacher to lovers and fighters. In keeping with their affair's volcanic beginning, it crashed and burned roughly 15 years later.

Although in 1886 Rodin asked Claudel to marry

venue.

Claudel originally sculpted "The Waltz" with two nude characters captured in a moment of rapturous embrace. Criticism caused Claudel to represent the figures draped in fabric. Rather than covering their beauty from the world, the robe heightens the couple's intimacy by introducing a

whirling sensuality. Each character seems to be whisking the other away. "Yes, yes, yes," Le Normand-Romain said.

Artists and groupies

Rodin met Claudel in 1862. She was among sculptors Rodin hired to help work on his first major state commission that



Photos by Brad Lindberg
Lovers whisk each other away in Camille Claudel's "The Waltz," left. Passions Claudel expressed in "Sakuntala," center, influenced her lover Auguste Rodin to sculpt "The Eternal Idol," upper right.



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Coming events

ICAHD speaker

Jeff Halper of the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD) will be speaking at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

Under Halper's leadership, ICAHD has developed a relationship of trust and cooperation with Palestinian organizations by working to rebuild demolished homes as an act of political solidarity.

During the lecture, he will discuss the reality of settlements and the Wall as they related to Israel's control over the Occupied Territories and how nonviolent direct action and civil disobedience have worked to build foundations of trust and peace among Israeli and Palestinian activities. Among actions Americans can take, Halper will talk about the growing movement calling for divestment in Israel.

He is sponsored by The Outreach Committee of Unitarian Church, the Friends of Sabeel (North America) and the Palestine Office Michigan.

Rummage sale

The Presbyterian Women of the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, will hold their fall rummage sale, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15.

There will be a \$2 charge for early admission at 8 a.m. Those coming at 9 a.m. will be admitted free.

Items for sale include clothing, housewares, linens, jewelry, books, toys, luggage, sports equipment, baskets, seasonal decorations, tools and small electrical appliances.

A bake sale will also be included.

Blood drive

The Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council and American Red Cross

will hold a blood drive from 1:30 to 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Place. Enter the church parking lot from Mack between the Parcels play field and the CVS.

Babysitting will be available upon request. For more information or an appointment, call (313) 882-5170.

Auction

"An Enchanted Evening" auction will be held on Saturday, Oct. 15, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and Cultural Center on Marter Road in St. Clair Shores.

The silent auction begins at 6 p.m. with an open bar and catered gourmet food stations.

The live auction will begin at 8:30 p.m. with a wide spectrum of items.

The silent auction themes are sports, electronics, spa, outdoors, holiday, mystery, children and cooking.

Live auction items include jewelry, a week's stay in a Florida home, a theater package, Pistons, Red Wings and Tiger tickets, a catered dinner for 25 by Marchiori Catering, a weekend for two which includes spa services at Coliseum International, Atheneum Hotel suite and dinner at Mosaic Restaurant, a family event package, Michigan Opera Theatre and Detroit Symphony Orchestra tickets, autographed Hall of Fame Sparky Anderson jersey, to name a few.

Tickets for the event are \$40. For reservations, call (586) 779-6111, extension 4.

Proceeds will benefit the Assumption Nursery School and Toddler Center, the church and cultural center.

Boychoir

Come hear the choir that has been hailed by critics as "one of the best choirs in the world" and "electrifying, by turns angelic and fierce."

The American Boychoir kicks off its 68th anniversary season with a performance at St. James Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21.

This is one of 25 performances on the choir's three-week tour throughout the

Midwestern United States, making stops in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois.

The tour will end where it all began in Columbus, Ohio, the birthplace of The Columbus Boychoir which was founded in 1937 before it moved to Princeton, N.J., in 1950 and became The American Boychoir.

The program promises to appeal to young and old alike, featuring music as diverse as the group. Musical selections will range from classical to jazz to folk music and will end with several American pieces.

The choir is under the direction of Fernando Malvar-Ruiz. Other highlights will include Pergolesi's "Stabat Mater," first performed in the early 1940s during the Columbus Boychoir's first tours, a romping Cajun folk song entitled "P'tit Galop Colinda" and a performance of a setting of "Ave Maria" dedicated to The American Boychoir by composer Richard Clark.

For more information on the concert, call (313) 884-0511. Adult tickets are \$20 and children are \$10.

Speaker

Mark McPherson presents "From Narnia, with Love," at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 16, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

The dramatic scenario of "From Narnia, with Love" presents English author C.S. Lewis taking time from his academic day to meet with a group of American visitors.

Organ recital

David Hufford presents an organ concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop Road, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mom-to-mom sale

The Mom-to-Mom Sale you have been waiting for takes place 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at St. Joan of Arc Church in St. Clair Shores.

The PTG is sponsoring this fall event in the lower hall and gym. Pre-owned children's clothing, toys, sporting equipment and furniture will be featured. The admission is \$1 at the door, with early-bird shopping starting at 8:30 a.m. with a \$2 admission.

There will be a bake sale and refreshments will also be sold.



Welcome

First Christian Reformed Church of Detroit, located at 1444 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park, welcomed its new pastor on Sept. 11. The Rev. Mark Van't Hof moved to the Park with his wife, Marcia, and son, Branden, from Denver, Colo., where he had served for the past seven years. Van't Hof, 43, was born in Grand Rapids and attended Calvin College. He received his ministerial training at Calvin Theological Seminary. Sunday worship services are at 10 a.m.

St. Paul book fair celebrates the 'Kingdom of reading'

St. Paul Catholic School held its book fair in the Canfield Center for students, parents and anyone who was interested in great books.

School librarian Patti McNeill organized the fair, obtaining titles for every market, including baby's first books, preschool, parents and grandparents, with the focus on school-age children. Book lists were sent home previewing some selections.

All classes had a special time to attend the fair and be exposed to old favorites and new titles.

The event was held during the week of back-to-school nights for parents.

They were encouraged to come in, browse and make a choice.

McNeill is familiar with students and knows many of their personal styles and tastes so she could help satisfy individual needs.

Names in the news

Matthew J. Langston and Christian J. Starling, who attend University Liggett School, were named as semifinalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program.

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The benefit takes place at The Whitney restaurant, 4421 Woodward in downtown Detroit, and includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction, live jazz, dinner, and a chance to mingle with the actors — and possibly solve a murder.

The evening of fun begins at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21. Dinner is at 8 p.m.

Bid on a variety of silent auction items and listen to the sounds of jazz standards by pianist Hosea Taylor. Enjoy dinner and then try to solve the murder and win a prize.

Tickets are \$150 a person. Moroccan attire from the 1940s is optional, but prizes will be awarded for best costumes and character impersonators.

Chuck and Susan Gaidica became involved with the Autoimmune Diseases Association when their son **Charlie**, who is now in college, was diagnosed with autoimmune hepatitis and vasculitis, two conditions categorized as autoimmune.

Rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, lupus, psoriasis, Crohn's disease, Graves' disease, Hashimoto's thyroiditis, type I diabetes, and scleroderma are among the approximately 100 diseases classified as autoimmune. Autoimmune disorders are the major cause of serious, chronic illness affecting more than one in five Americans and are also the fifth leading cause of death for women aged 14 to 45.

From its national headquarters in Eastpointe, the Autoimmune Diseases Association, led by executive director **Virginia Ladd** and other advocates

worldwide, has been largely responsible for increased awareness about autoimmune as a disease category.

The American Autoimmune Related Diseases Association has encouraged (and supported) important collaborative research efforts throughout the world and has made remarkable strides since its founding in 1991.

For more information, contact the ADA at (586) 776-3900, or go to aarda@aarda.org.

Susan Gaidica of Northville chairs the planning committee for this event. The committee includes Ladd; **Marilyn Assiff** of Warren; **Denise Cotter** of Grosse Pointe Park; **Donna Di Sante**, **Carolyn Ugval** and staff member **Patricia Barber**, all of Grosse Pointe Farms; **Ruth Kibler** of Livonia; **Sharon Mengel** of Ann Arbor; and **Barbara Willett** of Grosse Pointe Shores.

For reservations to the Casablanca fundraiser at The Whitney, call (586) 776-3900.

Open Arms: Open Arms, a grieving children's service sponsored by St. John Community Health, will host its seventh annual "Good Grief" fundraiser from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Roostertail in Detroit. The evening includes a strolling dinner, silent auction and awards presentation.

During the evening, **Delores Bennett** and Communities in Schools will be honored with the Vernice Davis Anthony Award of Dedication for their commitment to youth in the community. Good Grief helps Open Arms extend its unique outreach and services to children who have lost a loved one due to violence, illness or accident.

The hidden cost of violence is the damage done to children in its path. Unless they receive the care they need to break the chain, violence inflicted or witnessed can become a dire



"Casablanca at the Whitney," will feature a cast of actors and a murder. Guests will get a chance to figure out who the murderer is. From left, are actors **Don Bischoff**, **Lindsey Tycholiz**, **Donna Di Sante**, **Dennis Martell** and **Peter Walilko**. Not shown are actors **Hosea Taylor**, **Annie Reinholz**, **Lois Bendler**, **Don Cilluffo** and **Tom Hipp**.

inheritance. Ending the cycle of violence starts with compassionate counseling and healing grief services offered through Open Arms.

All services are provided at no cost to children and their families. "The donations we receive from the community for Good Grief support the focus of Open Arms, which is to provide support for grieving children and their families and educate the community on the issue and impact of grief," said **Karen Sheffield**, Open Arms program director. "We help participants learn to cope with feelings of sadness, anger or frustration in positive, constructive ways. Addressing grief in children is critical to their long-term emotional and physical development. Statistics have shown that unacknowledged grief can lead to unhealthy behaviors such as violence, substance abuse, suicide and poor performance in school."

This year's Good Grief event chairman is **Diana Jones**, vice president of Community Affairs of Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Michigan. Honorary co-chairmen are **Donna Burke**, vice president of External Affairs of SBC; **Donna Badgett**, vice presi-

dent, Community Development of Charter One Bank; **Jimmy Settles**, regional director, UAW Region 1A; and **Brenda Pye** of the O. H. Pye Funeral Home.

Tickets for Good Grief are \$75; \$600 for a table of eight. For ticket information, more details about Open Arms, or to make silent auction donations, call (313) 921-7983.

To view silent auction items online, visit the Open Arms Web site at www.realmedicine.org/open-arms.

— Margie Reins Smith



Festival of Tables

The third annual Festival of Tables, a fundraiser for the Daughters of Penelope, will be held from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 23, at Blossom Heath, 24800 Jefferson, in St. Clair Shores.

Pat Brinker, owner of the League Shop on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, will have a Thanksgiving table on exhibit, and 33 other tables will be on display. Local vendors will be set up for shoppers.

The Daughters of Penelope is a local Greek Christian woman's organization that raises money for charitable projects and college scholarships.

Admission is \$10, and the money will directly help needy patients at the **Liggett Breast Center** of the **Van Elslander Cancer Center**.

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Walk for DIO

The Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology is one of the partner charities to benefit from the Detroit Free Press/Flagstar

Bank Marathon on Sunday, Oct. 23.

In addition, Pfizer Ophthalmics is sponsoring a spirit station for the DIO and is providing long-sleeved, moisture-wicking shirts for each person registered to walk or run for the DIO.

The DIO's visually impaired and sighted volunteers are ready to walk for sight. Support the DIO by signing up for the 5K Fun Run & Walk (3.1 miles), or pledging to support one of DIO's registered walkers.

To register, visit www.detroitfreepressmarathon.com and click on "Run for a reason" and then the "Register today" link. For your contribution to be earmarked for the DIO, select Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology as your charity of choice.

The DIO, located on East Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park, has dedicated more than 30 years to assisting the visually impaired, preserving vision through education and supporting research related to the eye.

Children from the Hampton, McNamee, Roarty and Shea families, shown above, meet some Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology's volunteers and members of the visually impaired support group.

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Meetings

Pointer Bridge

The Pointer Bridge Club will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Alger House in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for a Halloween luncheon and bridge.

For more information, call (313) 886-7595 or (313) 881-8566.

Grand Marais
Questers

The Grand Marais chapter of Questers will meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at the home of Camilla Kavanagh in Troy. Members should meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Grosse Pointe City parking lot to form car pools.

The hostess will present a program, "Bells," which will include the history of bells, famous bells and bells most commonly used today.

Grosse Pointe
Questers

The Grosse Pointe Questers will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at the

St. Sabbas Monastery of Harper Woods for a meeting, tour and luncheon.

Coordinator is Louise Papista. Co-hostesses are JoAnn Krueger and Vi Champagne.

Fox Creek

Questers

The Fox Creek Questers No. 216 will meet at noon on Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for a celebration of the club's 40th anniversary.

Hostess is Virginia Durand and co-hostess is Marlene Harle.

Members will have a display of favorite antique collections.

AAUW

The Grosse Pointe branch of the American Association of University Women will visit the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) on Sunday, Oct. 16.

ACCESS is a private, non-profit center founded by

local Arab-Americans to offer a panoramic experience that includes interactive maps, multidimensional sound and light presentations and artifacts used by Arab-Americans.

AAUW members and guests should meet at 1:30 p.m. in the rear parking lot of the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, to form car pools to drive to Dearborn.

The museum has no admission charge, although donations will be accepted. Call program vice president Pat Petro at (586) 776-6429 to make a reservation.

Ski Club

The Grosse Pointe Ski Club will meet on Sunday, Oct. 16 for a nature walk at Kensington Park.

The next general meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Schummers Ski Shop, 20778 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call Gloria at (586) 293-4858.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club will meet for lunch at 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The speaker will be Dr. William Rice of the Holley Ear Institute. His topic will be "Recognizing Hearing Loss."

The club will celebrate its 55th anniversary by wearing vintage hats and gloves representative of the '50s.

Past President Maryhelen Feighner will also read a humorous poem that she wrote.

Surprises are also in store for attendees. Guests are welcome.

For guest reservations, call (313) 881-6251 by Saturday, Oct. 15.

For more information, call Beverley Pack, membership chairman, at (313) 882-5397 or President Pam Zimmer at (313) 882-9087.

Ford House sponsors
'Little Goblins' Night Out'

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores, is the perfect place this Halloween season to take the little ones for a night of howling fun. "Little Goblins' Night Out" gives families the opportunity to wander the haunted path through the Ford House's historic grounds, meeting friendly ghosts and

ghouls along the way. "Little Goblins' Night Out" will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Sunday and Monday, Oct. 23 and 24, rain or shine. Oct. 23 is sold out, but tickets are still available for Oct. 24.

The cost is \$9 per person. The event is recommended for children ages 2 to 8. Call (313) 884-4222.

Chamber Winds, Strings concert

The Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings will present a concert, "Something Old, Something New, Something Borrowed, Something Blue," at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Grosse Pointe United

Methodist Church.

Subscription prices for the group's remaining concerts are \$60 for students, \$110 for seniors and \$120 for others. For more information or tickets, go to www.detroitchamberwinds.org.

War Memorial hosts hoedown

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Crystal Ballroom. The country barbecue dinner and entertainment featuring Gary Pillow will take place from 6:30 to 11 p.m., Friday, Oct. 21.

Guests should wear jeans, denim shirts, cowboy hats and dancing shoes.

Beverages are welcome; set-up, ice and glassware will be provided. The cost is \$22 a person for the complete evening. Entertainment only tickets are also available for \$10 a person. Reservations are required by Wednesday, Oct. 19. Call (313) 881-7511.

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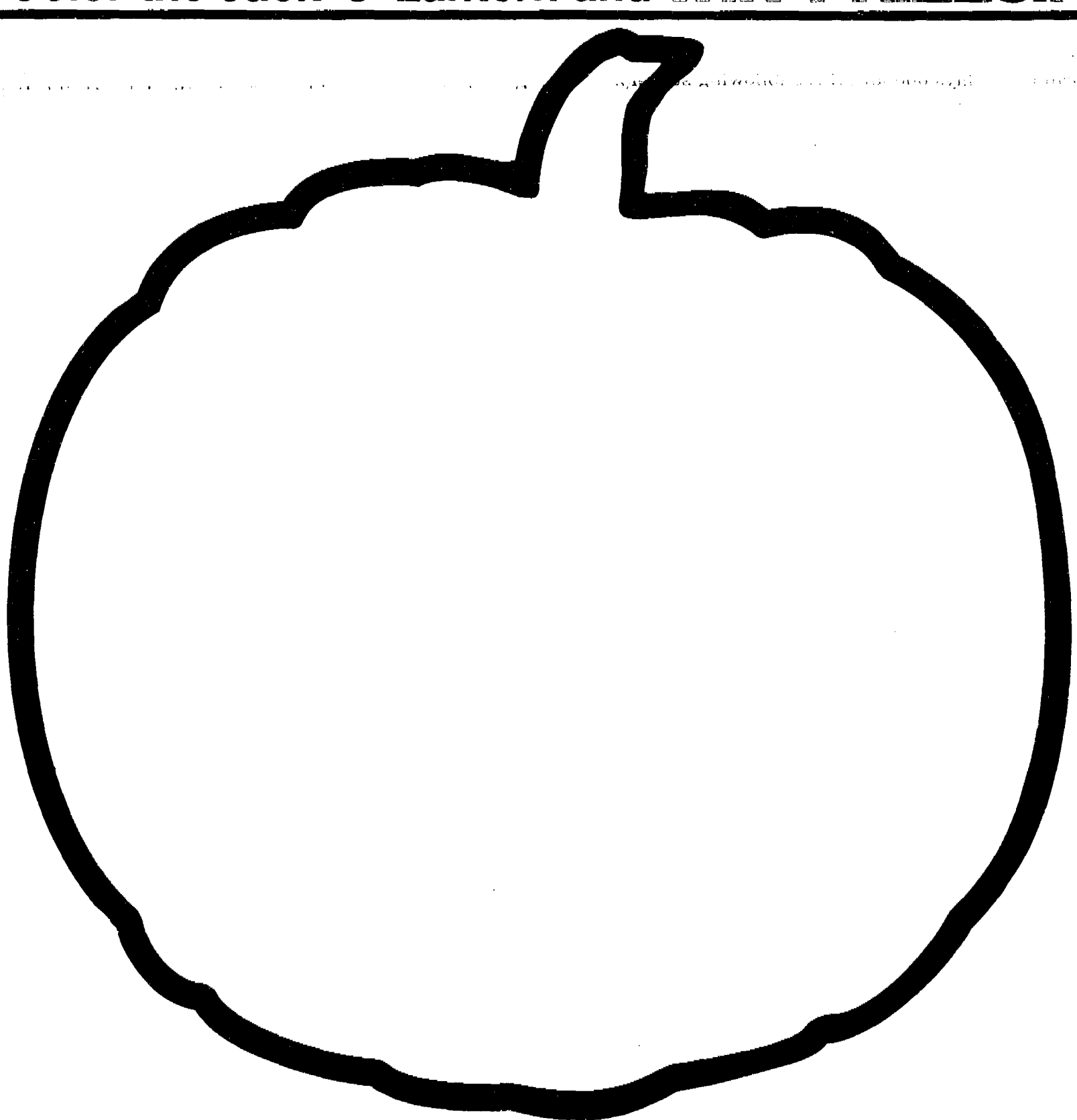
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Heavy drinkers risk infection after heart surgery

By Jeff Jay and Debra Jay
Special Writers

Dear Jeff and Debra:

I was told that alcoholism may increase the likelihood of people having infection problems after heart surgery. Could this be true? What is the connection?
— Just Curious



Jeff and Debra Jay

Dear Curious:

New research shows that alcoholics are at a higher risk for postoperative infections following elective cardiac surgery than nonalcoholic patients are. The study was published in the September 2005 issue of *Alcoholism: Clinical & Experimental Research*.

Earlier research had shown that rates of disease and death are two to five times greater among long-term alcoholics than nonalcoholic patients, post-surgery. Of all the possible complications, infection can be the most serious.

"We also know that surgical complications can increase with the daily intake of 60 grams, which is about three glasses of beer or wine," said Michael Sander, a researcher at Charite Hospital at the University of Berlin and corresponding author for the study.

Other studies have shown that 20 to 30 percent of all patients admitted to a hospital are alcohol abusers. The highest prevalence of this abuse is detected in the third to fifth decade of life.

"Alcohol is a drug," added Jan-Philipp Breuer, also a researcher at Charite Hospital at the University of Berlin. "And whether a drug is good or bad for you and your body depends — as is the case with all drugs — on the dose. You may treat your hypertension with beta blockers to feel better, or you may kill yourself with them in an act of suicide — it's all a matter of dose."

The authors of the study pointed out that the increased risk also results in greater costs. "If we estimate a cost of \$2,000 in U.S. dollars per day for intensive-care treatment, a prolonged stay of five days at \$10,000 per patient can quickly add up."

Researchers examined 44 patients undergoing elective cardiac surgery: 10 long-term alcoholics (9 males, 1 female), and 34 nonalcoholics (27 males, 7 females). All of the patients' health and drinking histories were obtained prior to surgery. Blood samples for immune-status analysis — specifically, levels of TNF-alpha, interleukin-6, interleukin-10 and cortisol — were obtained upon admission to the hospital, the morning before surgery, on admission to the ICU, and the mornings of days one and three following surgery.

The results show that alcoholics have a four-fold increased rate of postoperative infections, an increased length of need for mechanical ventilation, as well as a need for prolonged treatment in the intensive care unit (ICU). More specifically, long-term alcoholics showed a distinct increase in their cortisol and interleukin-10 levels following cardiopulmonary bypass surgery.

"A key consideration here is that long-term alcoholics have pretty well-defined immune alterations prior to clinically evident infections," Sander said. "We believe that these alterations might be responsible for the postoperative increased infection rate observed in our study and in others. We believe that pre- and perioperative immune-modulating treatments might be able to decrease the infection rate as well as the prolonged ICU stay. Researchers should embark on studies aimed at immune-modulation therapies in these high-risk patients."

"Everybody, sooner or later, will likely have an operation for one reason or another," Breuer said. "How much an individual drinks on a daily basis may have a significant impact on his or her recovery."

The message we take away from this new research is that the heavy use of alcohol will compromise the body's immune system, which can have any number of unwanted side effects. It's been said that a glass of red wine every day can decrease the risk of myocardial infarction (heart attack). But the same benefit can be had from a glass of purple grape juice.

We know which one will make us feel better.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors of "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction." They are professional interventionists who live in Grosse Pointe Farms. Contact them at (313) 882-6921 or through their Web site: <http://lovefirst.net>.



St. John Health Foundation Board officers in the front, from left, are Joan Gehrke, chairman; Peter T. Cracchiolo, vice chairman; Jeffrey Littmann, treasurer; Marlene Boll, honorary chairman. In the back, from left, are R. Glen Smiley, president; Jane Nugent, secretary; Mark Taylor, president of SJH&MC; and John Boll Sr., honorary chairman.

St. John announces new foundation

St. John Hospital and Medical Center has announced the development of the new St. John Hospital Foundation and the establishment of its board of trustees. A number of local leaders and philanthropists will provide leadership on the St. John Hospital Foundation Board.

Officers include: Honorary Chairs: Marlene and John Boll Sr. of Grosse Pointe Shores; Chairman: Joan Gehrke of the City of Grosse Pointe, a consultant with PVS Chemicals and a community volunteer; Vice Chairman: Peter T. Cracchiolo of Grosse Pointe Shores, a private investment manager with Masco Capital Corporation; Treasurer: Jeffrey Littmann of Grosse Pointe Park, an executive for Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Enterprises; Secretary: Jane Nugent of Grosse Pointe Farms, a retired Detroit Edison vice president; and R. Glen Smiley FAHP of Grosse Pointe Farms, president of St. John Hospital Foundation and president of St. John Health Foundation. The St. John Hospital Foundation was created to

raise funds to support the health care ministry of SJH&MC. The Board's first major task is launching the \$25 million capital campaign to support the \$156 million hospital campus expansion.

One of the largest building projects taking place in Detroit right now, the expansion and renovation project aims to maintain St. John's position as the destination hospital for the most advanced medical care in the area. The project includes adding a new pavilion with 144 private patient rooms, doubling the size of the emergency department and consolidating cardiovascular services and many outpatient services.

Other leaders who will lend their expertise to the new St. John Hospital Foundation Board include Matt Cullen, manager of the economic development and enterprise services group for General Motors; Dr. James Fox, vice chief of the emergency department at SJH&MC and president of the St. John Guild; Patricia Giftos, an active fundraising volunteer who is married to James Giftos, founder and

owner of National Coney Island Inc.; Dr. Kevin Grady, medical director of intensive care and chief of pulmonary and critical care for SJH&MC; Sister Betty Granger, senior vice president of mission integration for St. John Health; Ron Hall, chairman and CEO of Bridgewater Interiors; Dr. Thomas LaLonde, an interventional cardiologist for Eastlake Cardiovascular Associates who is on the medical staff of SJH&MC; Robert Liggett, a local entrepreneur and owner of several Big Boy Restaurants; Linda Lloyd, president of the St. John Hospital Fontbonne Auxiliary; Kristine Mestdagh, executive director and board member of the John and Marlene Boll Foundation; Peter Ronan, a personal trust manager for Comerica Bank; David Stephens, a retired executive vice president from Comerica Bank who is currently a business consultant and chairman of the SJH&MC Board; Mark Taylor, president of SJH&MC; and Debra Van Elslander, property manager and community volunteer.

Talk to your doctor about Pneumococcal disease

(NAPSI) — With flu season on the way, you may be planning a doctor's visit. Take the opportunity to also talk to your doctor about another serious health issue-pneumococcal disease (pronounced NEW-moe-cock-ul).

"Pneumococcal disease, like influenza, is very common and often underestimated," says Dr. William Schaffner, chairman of the department of preventive medicine at Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville. "Both are more prevalent during the winter months and may cause serious health problems, particularly in older adults."

Pneumococcal pneumonia is the most common form of Pneumococcal disease in adults. Each year in the United States, there are an estimated 175,000 hospitalizations for Pneumococcal pneumonia.

When infection spreads to the bloodstream, it is called bacteremia, a very serious — and sometimes deadly — complication. It has been estimated that there are more than 50,000 cases of bacteremia each year.

Up to 70 percent of healthy people unknowingly carry the bacteria that cause Pneumococcal disease. The bacteria are spread by coughing, sneezing or close contact. Researchers don't know why it suddenly enters the lungs and bloodstream to cause illness.

Pneumococcal disease is usually treated with antibiotics, but that's not always effective.

"Treatment of Pneumococcal disease is getting harder because the bacteria are becoming more resistant to penicillin and other antibiotics," said Dr. Schaffner. Remember to talk to your health care provider about Pneumococcal disease.

Prepare your home for recuperation

(ARA) — There's nothing more comforting than recovering in your own home after a hospital stay. But your humble abode can pose its own set of problems if it's not properly prepared.

Everyday household items — from kitchen countertops to oven doors — can present new problems for people with limited mobility. Entering doorways and moving through narrow halls can prove to be difficult with a walker or wheelchair, and stairs can be tricky when relying on crutches for support and balance.

"And don't forget about bathrooms," says Kevin Jones, senior product/brand manager for the Home Care by Moen line of bath safety items. "The slick surfaces and hard edges can make these small rooms the most dangerous spots in your house."

The first few days of recovery are the most critical, and it is always recommended to have someone help you. Here are some helpful tips to make your return home as safe, enjoyable and hassle-free as possible.

• Prior to your hospital visit, set up a "comfort zone" on one floor of your home — preferably near a bathroom, with a temporary bed, and make sure a telephone is within reach. Other items including bottled water, food, TV remote, movies, magazines — even your favorite pillow — should be prestocked and nearby.

• Since most houses require the use of stairs to enter and exit, it's important to ensure the handrails are secure and can withstand pressure. If necessary, consider purchasing a ramp to accommodate a wheelchair or walker. Ramps are available through medical supply

stores, or you can do-it-yourself.

Corridors in the majority of newer homes are large enough to accommodate crutches, a walker or a wheelchair, but older homes may have narrow passageways and stairs. To move safely from one room to another, ensure that the space is clutter-free.

• Make the commode accommodating. Many people find the toilet seat is too low to accommodate their limited mobility and puts unnecessary stress on the legs, knees and back. An elevated toilet seat increases comfort and safety levels, and locks sturdily into place with brackets.

• If standing in the shower is not an option, an adjustable tub and shower chair will allow you to take a seat and bathe comfortably. Look for a chair with adjustable legs and a "no wobble" design with rubber feet.

In addition, consider purchasing a hand-held shower to more easily control the water flow. Choose an oversized, yet lightweight hand-

held shower with several comfort spray settings and an anti-slip handle.

• Dining dilemmas. Make sure your kitchen is safe for your limited mobility. If standing at countertops for lengthy periods is difficult, consider purchasing a portable/rolling kitchen table that will allow you to sit while preparing food.

Or a stool will allow you to sit at the counter. Keep areas surrounding countertops well lit and uncluttered.

Those hard-to-reach items in your overhead cabinets may prove to be more of a challenge than before. Move frequently used items to countertops or drawers below your cabinets.

Have ready-made items — granola bars, yogurt, cut vegetables, cheese and crackers — easily accessible.

Relax and take it easy. With a few minor modifications, your home will be a safe haven for recuperating and you'll be well on your way to a full recovery.

BSC offers flu shots

In anticipation of the upcoming flu season, Bon Secours Cottage Health Services is offering flu shots to give individuals a "fighting chance" against the virus. Receiving the flu vaccine can help you avoid the misery that can last for more than a week, linger for months, and even result in death.

Flu shots are available from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at St.

Joan of Arc Family & Youth Center, 26120 Greater Mack in St. Clair Shores and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27, in the ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The cost is \$19. Medicare is accepted.

For more information, call Bon Secours Cottage Health Community Health Promotion at (586) 779-7900.

Attorney to speak to NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), a family support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at the Henry Ford Continuing Care Center, 19840 Harper in Harper Woods, for "Ask the Attorney."

An attorney who special-

izes in assisting families with disabled members will be available to answer questions about special needs trusts, wills and guardianships.

All NAMI meetings are free. For more information, call (313) 881-3906 or (313) 881-5429.

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Know Your Skin

by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



The departure of warm weather causes certain skin conditions to flourish. One such disease is keratosis pilaris, or KP.

Affecting mostly teenagers and young adults, KP is a common and harmless condition. KP presents as numerous red or brown discolored bumps which feel rough or dry. Upper arms, cheeks and thighs are the most frequent sites for the condition. While the condition may also be present in babies and persist into adult life, keratosis pilaris is uncommon in elderly people.

Keratosis pilaris is caused by tiny skin

plugs which block hair openings, forming a horny plug rather than normal exfoliation of the hair follicle. This also widens the pores making them appear more obvious than elsewhere. Although KP is not curable, it is usually improved by using topical creams and lubricants.

Keratosis pilaris tends to be more severe during the winter months or other times of low humidity when skin dries out, though it can persist throughout the year.

To learn more about Keratosis Pilaris, contact your dermatologist, or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa Manz-Dulac and Associates (313) 884-3380.

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Retired executives can help new small businesses

Recently I attended the annual luncheon of SCORE: Counselors to America's Small Business. At my table was a woman who had just

been elected chairman of the Detroit chapter of SCORE and was the first woman to hold that position since the chapter was

formed. Her name is Emily Olivero.

In 1953, Congress passed the Small Business Act and established the U.S. Small

Business Administration. Its role was to give support and assistance to small businesses.

Recognizing that offering materials and conferences was not enough for budding entrepreneurs, SBA created SCORE chapters to act as resource partners. Its volunteers include lawyers, bankers, accountants, engineers, doctors, marketing and computer experts, insurance specialists, retailers, restaurateurs, teachers, executive secretaries, and on and on.

SCORE is a nonprofit, charitable organization composed of 10,500 volunteer mentors, with nearly 400 counseling offices through the United States.

That's where Olivero comes in. More than 50

Senior Scene

By
Ruth
Cain



"My husband became a very skilled mechanical engineer during World War II when he was responsible for repairing and keeping Air Force planes in operation," Olivero said. "When he returned after the war ended, he worked as a mechanic, but in two years a small mechanical repair shop became available when the owner retired."

"We thought long and carefully before buying the business," she said. "We decided that his mechanical skills and my office skills would make the business work. We mortgaged our house for the down payment. We added one mechanic who had worked for the company. We were in business."

"We did well for several years, but it became evident that there was a lot more that we needed to know if we were to keep growing. We wouldn't have made it if it hadn't been for older people who had been through the mill and were generous in giving us the counseling and the advice we badly needed."

The counseling and their own hard work resulted in growth from their first hole-in-the-wall to several plants in a block, and from one employee to many employees before the downturn in the auto and auto parts industry several years ago.

"We're working to develop new products outside the auto parts industry and expect to expand the business again," Olivero said.

While Olivero was working in the business and raising four sons, she started to fulfill a dream she'd always had: a college degree.

Her husband encouraged her to enroll at Wayne State University. It took 13 years for her to complete an undergraduate degree in sociology and a master's degree in guidance and counseling.

"I could only handle a class or two at a time, but I was determined," she said.

Some 17 years ago after retirement, Olivero decided to join SCORE and return the generosity of those early counselors.

She has deep feelings about helping small-business owners succeed and believes that it is the most rewarding way she could spend her retirement years.

She encourages others who have a skill that would be helpful to join Detroit chapter 18 of SCORE. Its main office is in the Patrick McNamara Building in Detroit.

Call (313) 226-7947 to get more information about becoming a meaningful volunteer.

I'm thinking about that for myself. I figure my writing and public relations skills might be of help in an entrepreneur's struggle.

I was saddened to hear of the death of Ted Mecke a few weeks ago. I had known Ted for years through my husband who was the auto writer for the Associated Press.

When a friend told me Ted was the anonymous author of "Grosse Pointe Murder," I called and asked if I could write a column about that. He agreed but only if I wouldn't use information that would blow his cover. I didn't and now I'm especially happy that he wrote me how much he liked the column.

If you have a comment or question, send it to ruth.cain@comcast.net.

Former Pointer will sign books

Dr. Cap Lesesne, a former Grosse Pointe resident, will sign copies of his new book, "Confessions of a Park Avenue Plastic Surgeon," from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Barnes & Noble bookstore.

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Fall garden cleanup includes acorns, leaves

What an interesting weather year it has been in our gardens. The heat in one week last spring pushed a variety of plants out earlier than usual. Many thought it was time to get those tomatoes and basil in the ground.

"Hal" said Mother Nature. Now that fall has begun, it's time to take a look around and check out what needs moving or replacing before next spring. It's also time to think about some fall cleanup.

Right now, much of what I see is acorns. They have fallen for at least three weeks and continue to do so. We used to think the squirrels were throwing them at us.

Alas, they're falling on their own this year. In heaps.

We have laughed with our neighbors about what to do with the acorns. Two of our more industrious chil-

dren had a bucket and were singing "nuts for sale." Unfortunately, no one stopped to take them up on the produce.

I was a little concerned that the falling acorns were a sign of an unhappy tree. However, what I've found, after a little research, is that luckily we have a healthy tree. In a good year an oak tree will have as many as several thousand flowers. Add the right humidity, temperature and no late frost in the spring along with sufficient watering in summer, and tiny scale-covered acorns (called nubbins at that point) begin to grow. By late summer they will mature to become full-grown ripe acorns.

An acorn has a one in 10,000 chance of becoming an oak tree.

We might have a respite next year because the oak may have expended too much energy this year developing the fruit. It will



need to build up its carbohydrate reserves again by not bearing any fruit. That may take two years.

Fall care for trees

To help keep your trees healthy, remember to water them until the ground freezes. Trees and shrubs need an inch of water a week, preferably all at once. If that's not possible, douse them in two waterings.

One good way to water is simply to put the hose without nozzle within the tree's drip line, which stretches as far as the outside leaves.

Turn the hose a quarter turn and move it several times around the tree. This will help the entire root system receive water. A half

hour to an hour should be enough for each tree.

Soaker hoses are an alternative. While they work slowly, you can water several plants at once. Don't stop watering just because the weather turns cool.

Watering is important, but resist the urge to fertilize. A soil test will detect if fertilizers are necessary and what composition is appropriate. Remember that fertilizers do not feed the plant; they simply replenish missing nutrients from the soil. Some arborists or other professionals who work with the health of plants may suggest a treatment with biostimulants or mycorrhizae to work with or in place of fertilizer.

Mycorrhizae are fungi that work by attaching themselves to plant roots to help it absorb more water and nutrients. Biostimulants are made of beneficial bacteria that inhabit the soil and help improve it if natural microbes are missing.

More on garden cleanup

During October, continue to cut back perennials as they turn brown and go dormant. Be sure to leave some stem above ground to identify them in spring. Remove diseased leaves from flower beds. Especially important to remove so diseases don't carry over to next growing season are roses, hollyhocks, *Alcea rosea*, bee

What's going on?

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balm, *Monarda didyma* and garden phlox, *Phlox paniculata*.

For winter attraction and to feed birds, try to leave behind some flowers that may have gone to seed. Some suggestions are sedum, coneflowers, *Echinacea purpurea*, or black-eyed Susan, *Rudbeckia hirta*.

Some of the grasses also look beautiful in the winter with or without snow on them.

Clumps of perennials can continue to be divided. Dig up and preserve your tender bulbs such as canna, caladium and elephant's ear before first frost. Blackened foliage signals the time to gather gladioli and dahlia for storing.

Help keep the growing season in your dreams by planting spring-blooming bulbs now through November. Hit the local garden centers for bulbs, including daffodils, narcissus (which are poisonous to animals so the squirrels leave them alone); tulips, *Tulipa*, crocus, *Crocus vernus* and grape hyacinth, *Muscari racemosum*.

Also in November, pull your annuals and discard them. Seeds from annuals

can be dried and saved for planting next year. Or, before the frost hits, bring in cuttings to start inside.

While cleaning flowerbeds is important, don't overdo it. Retain some of Mother Nature's finest on them to keep those worms busy working through the winter.

Instead of back-breaking bagging of leaves, thanks to the trees that are so pleasingly prevalent in Grosse Pointe, shred those leaves to scatter over your beds. This mulch will decompose by next spring. Mother Nature's ecosystem will go to work to take the nutrients from the leaves right into your soil.

A shredder is a wonderful tool for accomplishing this task. However, in place of a shredder, a lawn mower with the bag left on will shred not only the leaves but the grass clippings as well.

Another good use for this mixture is right in your compost bin. The combination of "brown" and "green," mixed with enough water to make it sponge-like, will break down to a wonderful mulch that can be mixed with your soil for a nutritional shot in the arm next spring.

If you're combining leaves and grass with your lawn mower, try not to overdo the grass portion as it may cause that slimy grass odor if it's not mixed well.

Enjoy these beautiful days of fall in your garden. Next spring you'll be glad you did.

Kathleen Peabody is an Advanced Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. Reach her online at kmaslankapeabody@sbcbglobal.net.

Westminster Abbey choir to perform at Church Church Grosse Pointe

The famous Choir of Men and Boys from Westminster Abbey will perform a concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd.

Under the direction of James O'Donnell, the choir's program is a selection of

music including "Te Deum in C" by Benjamin Britten, "Fantasia and Fugue in G minor BWV 542" by Johann Sebastian Bach, "Hosanna to the Son of David" by Orlando Gibbons and "I was Glad" by Charles Hubert Hastings Parry.

"Christ Church is proud to

host a concert of this caliber as part of our 75th anniversary celebrations," said Fred DeHaven, organist and choirmaster at Christ Church. "I encourage all to attend this once-in-a-lifetime event in our own community."

On its recent North American tour stop in New York City, The New York Times said, "They sang an exquisite concert." The Independent of London, England, wrote "The Choir of Westminster Abbey currently is in a superbly virile and integrated form under O'Donnell."

The Abbey choir is on a United States tour performing at St. Thomas in New York, Christ Church in Grosse Pointe, in Boston, St. Louis and Los Angeles.

Tickets for the performance are \$50, \$25 and \$15 and are currently on sale at Christ Church. For more information, call the church office at (313) 885-4841.

War Memorial plans luncheon to celebrate Kirov Ballet

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will hold a special luncheon, "In Celebration of the Kirov Ballet," on Tuesday, Oct. 18, in the ballroom.

The event, the only one planned in the Midwest, is a unique way to celebrate the Kirov Ballet's visit to Detroit this fall. The Kirov Ballet, with over 200 dancers and a rich history of more than two centuries, is regarded as the symbol of the tradition of Russian classical ballet.

Detroit is one of only three cities on its United States 2005 tour.

"We are so excited to be able to plan this special luncheon event for the Grosse Pointe community," said LouAnne Watrick, director of lifelong learning at the

War Memorial.

Principal Dancer Diane Vishneva will be one of the speakers along with Makhar Vaziev, director of the Kirov Ballet and Carol Halsted, director of dance at the Michigan Opera Theatre.

A special menu was created for the luncheon. The cost for the luncheon and presentation is \$20 per person. Advance reservations are required. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the War Memorial at (313) 881-7511.

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him, she declined his terms. Rodin wouldn't give up his main mistress, whom he'd met two decades earlier and fathered a child.

"Camille was not an easy lady," Le Normand-Romain said. "She stuck up for herself."

"The physical relationship between Camille and Rodin ended once these problems became too stressful for her," Darr said. "But Camille's image and their love for each other haunted Rodin the rest of his life."

They remained the unfulfilled loves of each other's lives until death. Rodin of natural causes at age 77 in 1917, Claudel in 1943 at age 78.

Public speeches punctuated

ed Rodin's funeral. A bronze "Thinker" marks his tomb.

Claudel spent the last three decades of her life isolated in an asylum in the south of France. Her death was hastened by malnutrition brought on by food shortages during World War II.

Today Rodin is commemorated with the Musee Rodin established during his lifetime.

Claudel lies in exile in a communal grave.

Both ends burning

When Claudel and Rodin first saw each other, their 24-year age difference was about the same as Lauren Bacall and Humphrey Bogart when the future Hollywood couple met on the set of "To Have and Have Not." If Claudel were anything like Slim, which

she apparently was, the comparison helps explain Rodin's infatuation.

"Older guys are always looking to be revitalized by younger women," said Dr. Victor Bloom, Grosse Pointe Park psychologist and psychoanalyst. "You can call it a dirty old man or you can say it's joie de vivre. It's taken for granted that great artists have groupies, groupies become models and models become mistresses. They're always younger."

It's not unusual for young women to pursue men old enough to be their father.

"The unconscious motivation is that they love their father and they wanted to marry their father," Bloom said. "That was part of Claudel's attraction to Rodin. But even more so, since she was born a talent-

ed sculptress, she would be attracted to the greatest sculptor of the time, who she initially wanted to be her teacher. When he saw the quality of her sculpting, he took her under his wing."

With Rodin as teacher and Claudel his muse, their path was set.

"He was greatly interested in her because she was not only beautiful, but was vivacious, driven, creative and talented," Bloom said. "It was a perfect pair."

By examining works laid out chronologically in 11 large galleries of the DIA, viewers can follow the progression of their relationship.

"Their mutual passion guides them through their happy times and then their rougher, stormier times," Darr said. "You will see this developing and crescendoing."

"I think it is represented in Camille's sculptures more than in Rodin's," said Le Normand-Romain, "especially with her 'Sakuntala,' which she created (in 1888) at the height of her love affair with Rodin."

The work, made of plaster and inspired by a Hindu legend of a princess whose husband disappears while overcoming an evil spell, represents the moment they reunite. Their embrace is considered allegorical to Claudel's feelings for Rodin.

"Sakuntala" influenced Rodin to create a similar yet less impassioned coming together in "The Eternal Idol."

In Rodin's version, Le Normand-Romain points out, the characters play unequal roles.

"She's in control," she said. "The lady is leaning back and stands higher than the man. Instead of confidence, the man offers himself like a slave worshipping a deity. It's a sculpture in which you can at the same time see the homage of the great sculptor to a younger one, but also of a man to a woman."

Additional works continue the association. Claudel's "Age of Maturity" shows an old man, Rodin, being led away by age, represented in withered fashion by the woman Rodin chose over marriage to Claudel.

Claudel represents herself in the work as young, beautiful and nubile. Rodin's "Farewell," sculpted about 20 years after the breakup, shows the face of Claudel

blowing a kiss goodbye.

Long after their parting, Rodin referred to Claudel in his notebooks: "I consider you a divine woman. Divine character, you exalted me to your level."

"That's their muse," Bloom explained, citing older male artists fueled by young female admirers. "These women are love goddesses dropped by heaven for their creativity."

Claudel's comet crashes

By 1900, Rodin had become the most famous artist in the world.

However, Claudel was constantly struggling for money and recognition. Her meteoric rise as a sculptor was over by her late 30s.

"Her health was declining due to her increasing paranoia," Darr said. "She was beginning to feel Rodin was stealing her ideas, which was contrary to the case. Rodin was often secretly giving money to support her wellbeing, to pay the rent and take care of her."

It was too much for Claudel to handle.

"She thought she was so important to him that, of course, he'd marry her," Bloom said. "But he carelessly dismissed her."

From a psychiatric point of view, artists have been known to compensate for emotional brittleness through creation of false realities, including their art.

"When things go wrong, their defenses fall apart. They get psychotic," Bloom said.

Claudel may have been functioning on a higher level with the fantasy that she was destined to marry Rodin, her kindred spirit.

"When he rejected her, that was her undoing," Bloom said. "She had an underlying potential to be psychotic and that's what undid her."

Her condition may have had a physical basis.

"Another version is she was genetically damaged and was able to function until a certain point," Bloom said. "After that point, the progression of the illness took over. It wasn't just the rejection by Rodin. It was a combination of having a potential for the disease and a psychological blow. The two together were devastating, a double whammy."

Darr said the exhibition required two "intense" years to arrange and cost

"millions" to present.

"This could not be put on without substantial corporate support," Beal said.

The Detroit exhibition is sponsored by DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund, the automaker's philanthropic arm.

DaimlerChrysler helped the DIA hold three major exhibitions in recent years, including "Degas and the Dance" and "Van Gogh: Face to Face."

"Our investment in the arts and programs that empower people and secure their prosperity also build a strong foundation for our community," said Brian Glowiak, fund vice president. "Beyond intangible benefits of artistic and cultural enrichment, sponsors of an exceptional exhibition like this also provide tangible value."

Glowiak said the Van Gogh show attracted visitors from 48 states and generated a regional economic impact estimated at \$41 million.

"The intangible value cannot be overlooked, either," he said. "The splendor and beauty of this exhibition enriches our lives and shows how creative and innovative the human spirit can be."

"Camille Claudel & Rodin: Fateful Encounter" runs through Feb. 5.

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North takes over in second half of showdown with Fraser



North's Olivia Stander plays some in-your-face defense against Fraser's Dayna Celcev.

Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls basketball coach Gary Bennett appealed to his team's pride at halftime of its important Macomb Area Conference Red Division game with Fraser last week.

"We talked at halftime about it being a game of runs, and it wasn't like us to let other teams go on a run," Bennett said after the Norsemen remained unbeaten in the MAC Red with a 53-45 victory over the Ramblers.

"I told them we had to get a run that they couldn't match."

North's players followed their coach's instructions perfectly.

After Fraser scored the first five points of the second half, the Norsemen answered with a 14-0 run that carried into the beginning of the fourth quarter.

North buckled down on defense, too, holding the Ramblers scoreless for eight minutes and 44 seconds.

By the time the surge ended, North had a 43-33 lead.

The Norsemen's spurt started with putback baskets by Meghan Potthoff and Andrea Bedway. Olivia Stander put North ahead to stay with a three-point basket after a Fraser turnover.

A steal by Stander set up

a basket by Kelly Defauw, and Defauw made a steal and scored on a layup in the final minute of the third quarter.

Another three-point basket by Stander capped the Norsemen's run with 5:41 left in the fourth quarter.

"I'm pretty proud of my kids," Bennett said. "That was an important win for us because now Fraser has two losses in the league."

The game featured balanced scoring by the Norsemen, who had four players in double figures.

Bedway led the way with 15 points. Stander scored 11 and Defauw and Potthoff finished with 10 apiece.

Caitlin Bennett led North with seven rebounds and five assists. Fraser used a box-and-one defense against Bennett and she didn't score her first points until midway through the fourth quarter, but by then her teammates had done enough damage.

Stander had five steals and caused several other turnovers with her tenacious defense.

Potthoff had six rebounds and Bedway pulled down five.

Dayna Celcev led Fraser with 16 points and Tania Schatow added 10 to go with 11 rebounds. The 6-foot-4 Schatow scored eight points in the first quarter, but

North made some adjustments on defense and held her in check the rest of the game.

"I never expected this high scoring a game," Gary Bennett said. "I thought the final score would be more like the halftime score (29-28 in favor of North)."

One of the highlights of the game was an over-the-shoulder basket by Potthoff. One person who wasn't surprised by the shot was Potthoff's coach.

"She works on that in practice," Bennett said. "She has some great moves."



Photo by Dr. J. Richard Dunlap

It's not ballet. It's Fraser's Tania Schatow defending against a hook shot by Grosse Pointe North's Meghan Potthoff.

South edges North; shuts out Dakota

There wasn't any letdown for Grosse Pointe South's boys soccer team after the Blue Devils handed crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North its first loss in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

Quite the contrary. After beating North 2-1, the Blue Devils avenged an earlier 3-0 loss to Dakota with another thrilling 1-0 victory.

South struck early against North, getting the only goal less than three minutes into the match.

Brad Jensen alertly picked up a loose ball near the North goal and passed it back to Matt Faiver. Faiver's hard line drive shot hit the back of the net over goalkeeper Jon Bay's head.

South's midfield did a superb job of controlling the ball and sending it back to the Norsemen's end. Joining Faiver in the center was Spencer MacGriff, while Alex Jendrusina and Patrick Rubens handled the outside midfield positions.

North tried to counter by bypassing the midfield with long balls to forwards Adam Miller and Rubin Bega. However, South's defensive corps — Matt Leverenz, Grant Withers, Ryan Stepanski, Arthur Griem and Matt Dziuba — was up to the task of thwarting that

strategy, by doubling the speedy, hard-working Miller and frustrating Bega.

South repeated its first-half recipe by scoring its second goal less than three minutes into the second half.

Bob Barker hit Erald Ruci with a short pass just outside the box and he drilled it home for the winning goal.

Chris Swenson and Evan Hall joined Ruci at midfield in spelling the starters, and Jake Mandel played well in a defensive midfield role.

North's lone goal, by Jon Van Sickle, came on a short volley kick of a sideline throw-in by Colin Maloney.

It was the best match of the season by South, and featured excellent teamwork.

Barker had three of South's nine shots, Faiver had two and Rubens, Stepanski, Swenson and Ruci had one apiece.

North had six shots — two by Van Sickle and one each from Brendan Symington, Matt Lombardi, Maloney and Miller.

Blue Devils goalie Greg Carmody made several difficult saves.

In the Dakota game, South controlled most of the early action and scored the only goal of the match at 16:48 of the first half when MacGriff made an excellent

crossing pass to Barker, who scored from the box area.

It was Barker's fourth goal of the season and his third game winner.

Less than two minutes later, a South player received a red card and the Blue Devils had to play shorthanded the rest of the way. Keeper Ben Cavanagh and defenders Dziuba, Leverenz, Stepanski and Withers stepped up and held the Cougars to five long-range shots in the half.

South continued to play well in the second half. The midfielders and defenders converged on Dakota ball carriers and usually took the ball away and sent long kicks downfield to Barker, the Blue Devils' lone attacker.

Barker often required two or three defenders to keep him from making well-placed shots on goal.

Dakota's mental errors helped South. The Cougars lost their top midfielder with a yellow card early in the second half, and later one of the Dakota players received a red card.

South also caught a break when the final horn sounded moments before a Dakota shot went over Cavanagh's head for what would have been the tying goal.

Cavanagh made 10 saves, including several outstand-

ing ones, to earn his second shutout.

South is 3-4 in the MAC White and 5-9 overall.

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ULS off to good start in Metro Conference soccer tournament

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

The Metro Conference regular season ended with a defeat for University Liggett School's boys soccer team but the league tournament got off to a rousing start for the Knights.

After losing the regular season finale 2-0 to Lutheran North, ULS started the tournament with a 2-0 victory over Clawson.

"We had four players out with injuries against North, so we didn't play that badly, and we carried some of that momentum into the Clawson game," said coach David Backhurst.

The first half was scoreless but that didn't bother Backhurst. The Knights

were playing into a strong wind but still outshot the Trojans 8-5.

"I liked the way we played in the first half," Backhurst said. "We had some good chances to score."

With the wind at their backs in the second half, the Knights got on the scoreboard 10 minutes into the half. Ryan League headed a corner kick to the back post where Patrick Gustine was waiting to kick it into the net.

Eight minutes remained in the game when League sent a pass to Curtis Fisher, who scored on a low, hard shot to give ULS some breathing room.

"The key was the play of our defense, especially Mike

Corbett, Alex Brooks, Ryan Deane and (goalie) Greg Jones," Backhurst said. "They're all juniors who should be experienced players next year."

The Lutheran North game was scoreless until the Mustangs scored with 15 minutes remaining.

"I think we just got tired," Backhurst said. "I only had two players on the bench. The ball was in our end a lot and there was a lot of pressure on the defense."

North scored its second goal with 1:46 left in the game.

"We didn't generate much offense, but we prevented them from having too many decent shots," Backhurst said.



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Grosse Pointe South's Mac Brookes (10) and Tim Smolenski (49) converge on a Ford II ball carrier to help teammate Stan Leverett (68) who has the Falcons player by the foot.

Late fumble costly for South

By Bob St. John
Sports Writer

Grosse Pointe South's football team did everything right in its final home game of the season last weekend but still came out on the losing end of a 16-9 Macomb Area Conference (MAC) crossover game against Utica Henry Ford II.

"This was our best effort of the season, by far," head coach Mike McLeod said. "Our defense was very, very good tonight, but we made too many mistakes offensively to help them out. We had a great shot to win this game but let it slip away."

The Falcons, 4-3 overall and 1-3 in the MAC's toughest division, the Red, were on the ropes the entire game but received a huge gift early in the fourth quarter when the Blue Devils lost a fumble at their own 12-yard line.

Two plays later, junior tailback Sean Urban scored on a two-yard run, and senior Dave Palowski added the extra point for what turned out to be the winning

touchdown.

"That was a bad break for us," McLeod said. "We gave the ball to Ford on our doorstep, and we paid for it."

The Blue Devils' defense turned back a Falcons' scoring drive late in the fourth quarter, stopping the opposition on a fourth and less than one yard at their own 12-yard line.

Palowski had already kicked three field goals without a miss, but Ford elected to go for it on fourth down instead of kicking another three-pointer, which would have put the game away.

"Those MAC Red schools are a little arrogant; so they decided to go for it and try to put another touchdown on the board," McLeod said. "Our defense made a great stand and gave our offense one more chance to send the game to overtime."

Senior quarterback Derrick Hacias connected on three passes to senior wide receiver Brendan Howe and one to junior wide receiver J.C. Cruse to get the ball to

midfield, but a sack and two incomplete passes helped put an end to the drive and an end to the game.

South scored its nine points in the second quarter when Hacias hit senior tight end Dave DeBoer for a six-yard touchdown pass and senior kicker Jeff Remillet booted a 30-yard field goal into the wind.

Hacias completed 13-of-28 passes for 137 and one touchdown but was sacked four times for a loss of 41 total yards.

Howe caught five passes for 46 yards, followed by sophomore Jimmy Saros with four receptions for 52 yards, and he had one run of 59 yards. DeBoer caught two passes for 31 yards and the one touchdown, and Cruse had the one catch for six yards.

Senior Mackenzie Brookes gained 68 yards on nine carries, and senior Patrick Williams had 22 yards on seven carries.

Grosse Pointe South, 1-4 in the MAC White, dropped to 1-6 overall.

North keeps playoff hopes alive with win over Lancers

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's 16-0 victory over L'Anse Creuse last Friday looked even better the second time around.

"I saw a lot of good things I hadn't noticed before I watched the film," said coach Frank Sumner.

"Once we got going, we really ran well. The offensive line started slowly, but then got it going. The defense and special teams did a good job, too. We have to work on the passing game."

Sumner praised the work of his assistant coaches — Nick Thomson, who handles the defense; Tim Brandon and Frank Ferretti, who work with the special teams; Roger Hunwick and Bill Fleming.

North's "running back by committee" did another fine job.

This time it was Mike D'Agnesse's turn to shine as he picked up 151 yards on 20 carries for a 7.6 average. D'Agnesse secured the victory with a 27-yard touchdown run with 43 seconds remaining in the game.

"He just slides, slithers and skates around (defenders)," Sumner said of D'Agnesse's running style.

Jake Bloomhuff, who had a big game against Grosse Pointe South, rushed for 51 yards on 13 carries and scored the Norsemen's first touchdown.

That first drive covered 99 yards with a huge chunk of the yardage eaten up with a 61-yard run by quarterback Michael Kaiser. D'Agnesse had a 15-yard run in the

drive and Bloomhuff went the final 10 yards, including two for the touchdown.

The 6-0 lead stood until Sam Palazzolo, filling in for regular kicker Mark Szandzik, kicked a 25-yard field goal into the teeth of a strong wind with 3:05 left in the third quarter.

"Those three points were big," Sumner said of Palazzolo's first field-goal attempt.

"Keith Johnson punted well, especially when he had the wind at his back, and Matt Koppinger did a nice job on kickoffs. L'Anse Creuse's No. 14 (Jeff Andre) is a big threat on kickoffs and we held him in check. We award our special teams decals when they hold the return man within 10 yards, and we gave away three of those."

North's defense was outstanding against a dangerous Lancers offense that is led by Tony Carrieri, who rushed for 240 yards in L'Anse Creuse's loss to South a couple of weeks ago.

"I thought we did a great job against Carrieri," Sumner said. "He's a good back and he had only 37 yards in 21 carries. Six times we got him behind the line."

"Our starting defense hasn't allowed a touchdown in the last eight quarters."

Sumner said the linebackers played well, led by Mike Murphy, who had 13 tackles, and Michael Neveux, who made 11 stops.

Karl Tech and Frank Ferretti each had seven tackles and an interception.

"Ron Bedway was out-

standing," Sumner said. "He had seven tackles, two quarterback sacks and three other behind-the-line tackles. He just keeps getting stronger and stronger all the time."

L'Anse Creuse had only one serious scoring threat but that ended when the Lancers threw an incomplete pass on fourth down at the North 25-yard line.

That drive probably would have ended sooner without the benefit of some trickery by L'Anse Creuse coach Don Roda.

With the Lancers in punt formation at the North 34, Steve Beltowski took the snap and threw a high underhanded pass that Dominic Gentry caught for a first down at the 21.

"They got us on that one," Sumner said with a chuckle.

The victory gave the Norsemen a final 3-3 record in the Macomb Area Conference White Division, and a 4-3 overall mark.

North has to win its last two games — at Anchor Bay on Friday and home against Roseville on Oct. 21 — to qualify for the state playoffs.

"They've played just well enough to lose, just like us," Sumner said of the Tar, who'll bring a 2-5 record into the game.

Howard Grewe is the key man on the Anchor Bay offense. He'll carry the ball 20 to 25 times a game and he's averaging more than 150 yards-per-game.

"We have to stop him and we have to contain their quarterback on the counter plays," Sumner said.

South looking for complete game

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Complete games are nearly as rare for Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team as they are in Major League Baseball these days.

Last week, the Blue Devils played well at times, but couldn't carry it through

the full 32 minutes as they lost twice in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

"We played a great first half, but we missed six layups," coach Peggy Van Eckoute said of South's 49-26 loss to state-ranked St. Clair.

"I can't say enough about how well we played in the first half. We did everything we needed to do. If we had made those layups, we'd have been right in the game at halftime."

Instead, the Saints led 20-9 at the break and pulled away with a 21-11 third quarter. South recovered and played well in the fourth quarter, but by then it was too late to overcome St. Clair's lead.

"We held them to 33 percent shooting, but we only shot 21 percent," Van Eckoute said.

Katie Petz had a strong all-around performance with seven points, six rebounds, two blocks, four assists and two steals.

Kara Trowell collected eight points, two assists and two steals.

Julie Zaranek had five points and five rebounds, and she and Sara Crandall played well defensively against St. Clair's inside players.

The first quarter was South's downfall in a 43-29 loss to Chippewa Valley.

"We had 10 turnovers in the first quarter and then we settled down," Van Eckoute said. "In the second half we played them even. We had a good stretch of about seven minutes when we got within eight points."

The Big Reds led 24-10 at halftime, but by the end of the third quarter, the Blue Devils had sliced the margin to eight points.

Zaranek had 11 points, three steals and an assist for South. Megan DeBoer finished with seven points and Petz had four assists and three rebounds.

Northeast Detroit 37-12.

Centers J.T. Mestdagh, Phil Nauert and Nick Flowers had a perfect day with no mishandled snaps.

Defensive ends Nate Jones, Tom McShane, Dylan Demkowicz and Axel Ivers cornered Shamrocks' runners throughout the game. Andrew Wright had two tackles for losses, while Brett Kotas, Max Warren, Caleb Cimmarrusti, Jack Bracci and Richie Cieszkowski had key defensive plays.

Alex Wilson made two solo tackles on kickoffs and played well at cornerback, along with Pete McMahon.

Running backs Daniel Baird, Jack Doyle, Nate Gaggin, Liam McIlroy and Josh Gall pounded the ball inside and outside. Baird, McIlroy, Doyle and Gall scored, while McIlroy had five runs of 15 yards or more and had nearly 200 yards rushing.

Doyle recovered a fumble and scored an early touchdown on an interception return.

Josh Davey, Josh Gray and James Seagram also had strong runs. Davey scored the only extra point of the game on a power sweep behind a stunning block by Seagram.

Farms runner starts strong

Pete Loy, a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms who attends De La Salle, has had a strong start to the cross country season.

Loy won the Division I race at the De La Salle Invitational in 16:45, breaking the Stony Creek Oakgrove course record of 16:53 set by Anthony Sager of Milford Lakeland in 1998.

Loy's efforts helped the Pilots win the team championship.

Earlier, Loy was second overall in the large school division at the West Bloomfield/Brother Rice Invitational, running a 16:41.7.

The winner was Peter Christman of Ann Arbor Pioneer in 16:30.8.

Red Barons North coach sees encouraging signs

The outcome wasn't a lot different than the previous week, but Grosse Pointe Red Barons North varsity coach Doug Luttenberg saw encouraging signs in the team's 48-0 loss to the Southfield Jayhawks.

Luttenberg said that the Barons played a much better game than they did against Mount Clemens, especially in the second half against a Southfield squad that showed a lot of speed.

The offensive line blocking was effective with tackle Dan Bracciano and center Jonathan Bamford, who also played most of the game on the defensive line.

The ground game was solid because of the hard running of fullback Evan Lock. Lock also contributed on defense at linebacker, and had a touchdown-saving tackle at the two-yard line.

Wide receiver Scotty Kudialis made several receptions on passes from quarterback Paul Keller to keep offensive drives alive. One of Kudialis's receptions was a pass play off a fake punt by Sean Koerber. Matt Peyser had a solid all-around game at running back, wide receiver and free safety.

Cornerback Ryan Seago knocked down an extra-point pass attempt by Southfield. At the other corner, Michael Seago showed a strong effort as he tackled a Southfield player at the goal line after a gain of 60 yards.

Linebackers Lawrence McCarter and T.J. Livingston were effective on defense and played well on offense when they were pressed into service after minor injuries to offensive players. With only 19 players available, their two-way efforts were important. Defensive end John Degnore

made several key tackles.

Junior varsity

The Red Barons North junior varsity lost their first game of the season 20-7 to a strong Southfield team.

The Barons trailed 6-0 at halftime, but got on the scoreboard in the second half when Jimmy Guest ran 55 yards for a touchdown. He was helped by excellent blocking from Dylan Balicki, Richard Borland, Chad Tech, Alex Avouris, Michael Gerlach, David Cadieux and Tyler Rus.

Defensive standouts were Mikey Abiragi, Michael Andary, Avouris, Balicki, Brian Cleary, Justin Dedeys, Clark Ditzhazy, Jory Evans, Guest, Cam Gibson, Blair Listwan, J.P. Lucchese, Ryan Sparks, Joey Randazzo, Mitchell Vermet, Christian Vervaeke, E.J. Wujek and Mark Yanis.

"I'm proud of the team's hard work and their will to refuse to quit," said head coach Dick Borland. "I believe their hard work will continue as the season moves on."

Freshmen

The Red Barons North freshmen scored on the second play of the game but Southfield came from behind to win 21-19 in an exciting, well-played game.

Manny Counsman forced a fumble and Sal Rizzo scooped up the loose ball and raced 48 yards for the first touchdown of the game.

Counsman led the defensive effort with six solo tackles.

The Jayhawks scored the next two touchdowns to take a 14-8 halftime lead.

The Barons started the second half with an eight-minute drive that was capped by Jack Stander's 12-yard run around the left side.

Stander picked up tough yards all day behind the blocking of Robert Smith, Chris Walsh, Steven Zack, Rob McCrackin, Michael Bylski, Matt Giacona, Patrick Lane, Anthony Corrado and Andrew Lock.

The defense, led by Fred Dodge, Chene Frontiera, Billy Asimakis, Sean O'Melia, Mark Reforno, R.C. Nelson, Andrew Remus and Jonathan Bevier, stopped Southfield a yard short of a first down at the Barons' 20-yard line.

The offense then marched 80 yards with hard runs by Stander and Counsman, good pass blocking by Kyle Rivard and two fine catches by tight end Lane.

On fourth down and eight, Stander hit Joe Andreoli with an 18-yard scoring strike. Stander ran for the conversion to give the Barons a 19-14 lead with four minutes remaining.

Southfield scored the winning touchdown on a 30-yard play on fourth down and one.

The Barons have been encouraged by spirited defensive play and a disciplined offense that put together two long scoring drives. The offense had no turnovers and the Barons had only two penalties.

South

The Grosse Pointe Red Barons South varsity made a comeback bid in the second half against the Northeast Detroit Shamrocks but fell short 44-16.

Head coach Lou Ray challenged his team to win the second half, and the Barons outscored the Shamrocks 16-6.

Undreas Hudson, Paul Roosen, Mitch Makos, Andy Broderick, Bryce Gray and

Alex O'Neill sparked a defense that held the Shamrocks to six points in the second half.

Brad Remillet and Eric Wilt led an offensive line effort that pushed back the Shamrocks' defensive front and allowed Charles Getzi, Spencer Ray and Alex Koski to rush for a combined 200 yards in the second half.

Will Basse caught a 30-yard pass from Patrick Kennedy.

Getzi and Ray ran for touchdowns and Chris Shirar kicked two two-point conversions.

Junior varsity

The Red Barons South junior varsity played hard but lost 12-0 to Northeast Detroit.

Running backs Alex Bedan, Ben Fry, Mike Bertakis, Jon Parker and Connor Ray ran well, and quarterback Robby Kish played a good game under pressure from the Northeast Detroit defense.

Kish completed three first-down passes to Brian McAlister and Fry.

Wes Cimmarrusti and Will Cook made several good blocks to open holes up the middle for Ray. The Barons moved up and down the field consistently but couldn't get into the end zone.

The Barons defense was outstanding with fine tackling by Cooper Hartman, Cook, Parker, Jacob Carolan and Neil Leising. Defensive ends Joey Aliotta, John Blanz and Scott Posada contained the speed of the Shamrocks.

Parker intercepted a pass in the first quarter and returned it deep to Northeast Detroit territory.

Freshmen

The Red Barons South freshmen turned in a strong all-around effort in beating

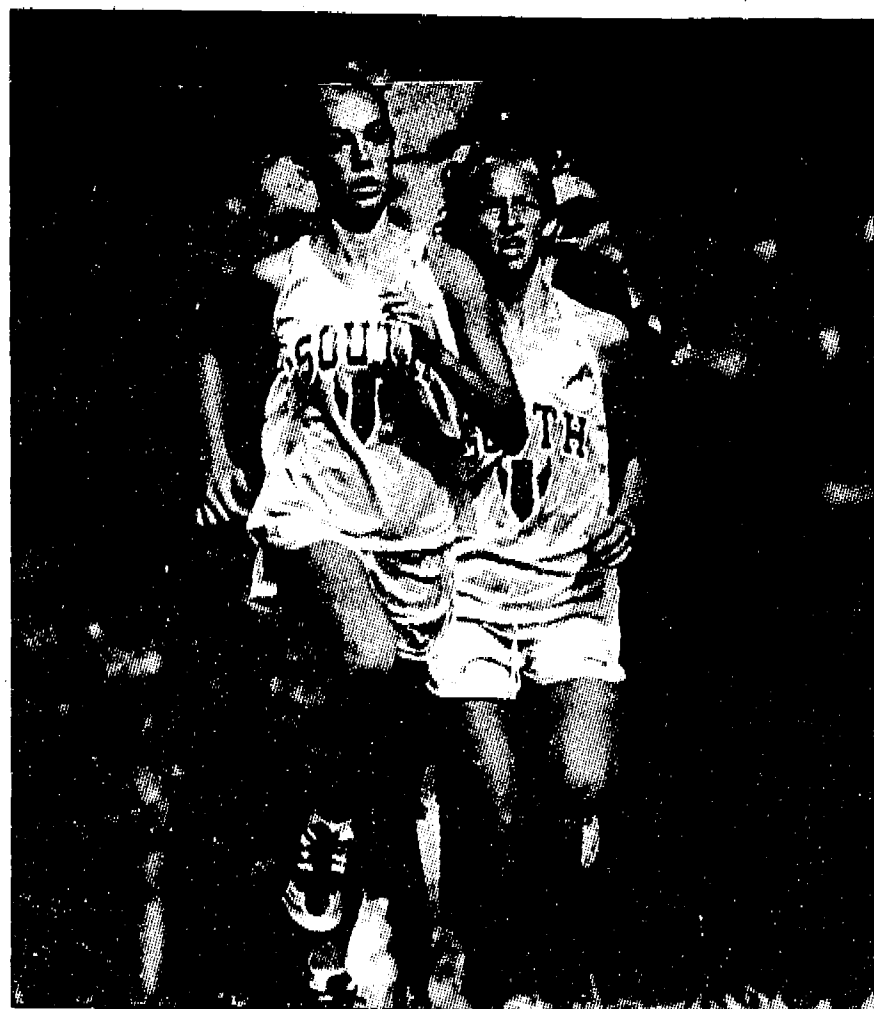


Photo by Don Petit
Ashley Thibodeau, left, and Jeannie Hollerbach helped lead Grosse Pointe South to its third invitational championship of the season.

South girls have best week in CC

Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team turned in its best week of the season last week.

The Blue Devils finished first in the 13-team Saginaw Heritage Invitational and defeated five of the six teams they faced in the second and final Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree.

"Our team had an amazing week," said coach Steve Zaranek. "After 67 season-best performances on Tuesday at the MAC jamboree, we had 58 additional season bests on Saturday."

At Saginaw's Wickes Park, South's varsity A team was led by Jill McLaughlin, Emily McLaughlin, Ashley Thibodeau, Jeannie Hollerbach and Lauren Leverett.

"These five were as tough as I've seen them all season," Zaranek said. "Even Jill, consistently our top runner, did not give an inch despite losing a shoe during the first mile."

Amanda Elskens and Sam Mackenzie were right behind the top five.

South's B team finished fifth. Leading the way were Sarah Petit, Stephanie Garbarino, Katharine Zurek, Katie Gerow, Katherine Corden, Erica Menchl and Margaret Schneider.

The Blue Devils also raced well at the MAC Red Jamboree II.

"We have transformed from a team of runners to a team of racers," Zaranek said.

South beat Sterling Heights, Eisenhower, Grosse Pointe North, Chippewa Valley and

Dakota. The Blue Devils' only loss was to Stevenson.

"We raced very, very well and caught several excellent teams we were chasing from Jamboree I," Zaranek said. "Stevenson has set the Red Division standard this season and we finished just three points behind them. We will get one more shot at these great teams at the conference championship meet. We are very proud of the progress our team has made this season."

South's junior varsity was dominant at Saginaw, taking the first 15 places and 24 of the first 25.

South was led by Lauren McLaughlin and Julie Zaranek, each of whom had outstanding times under 22 minutes.

They were closely followed by Brittany Gilpin, Katie Dosch, Nicole Stieber, Beth Ansaldi, Claire Vandelinder, Amanda Gay, Anna Basse, Bethany Cavanagh, Rachel Cook, Emily Franchett, Hannah Reimer, Heather Lockhart, Allison Kennedy, Liz Bielski, Claire Flood, Colleen Manardo and Alliya Samhat. All had times between 23 and 24 minutes.

The Blue Devils JV runners were also impressive at the jamboree.

Gerow, Stieber and Gilpin were in the top four, with Gerow taking first overall.

Among the South runners with season-best times were Sarah Forni, Alex Willemain, Kathy Kosinski, Charlotte Berschback, Kara Steeland, Annie Sorge, Emily Shook, Megan Hoban, Page Louisell, Jane Harness, Marissa Gawel, Gayle Campbell, Lockhart and Mary Novak.

South boys are first at Saginaw meet

They're going to have to build an addition to the trophy case at Grosse Pointe South, thanks to the efforts of the boys cross country team.

"That's our fourth trophy this year," said coach Tom Wise after the Blue Devils finished first at the Saginaw Heritage Invitational.

South has won two invitational meets, finished second in one and third in another.

The Blue Devils had 71 points, while runner-up Davison finished with 104. Mount Pleasant was third with 110 points.

Jake Wernet led the South contingent, finishing third overall in 16:34.2.

It was a fine performance by Wernet, who tied the school record a week ago, but the difference maker for the Blue Devils was Nate Monahan.

"Nate's run was the key to our victory," Wise said. "He was 22nd overall and made a big improvement over last

week. He's really focusing on his racing."

South's Adam Dziuba was seventh overall in 17:10.3, and Edwin Gay was 14th in 17:44.6. A 25th place finish by Joel Gilpin rounded out the Blue Devils' scoring.

South also did well in the junior varsity race, finishing with 15 points. The Blue Devils were the only team to have five runners finish.

South's John Wilkins won the JV race and teammates Brandon Buckley, Josh Nosedo and Andrew Davenport took the next three spots. An Alma runner grabbed fifth place, but the next three places were taken by South's Fred Schaible, Trent Lattimore and Steve Dzul.

Shores golfer second in district

David VanEgmond of Grosse Pointe Shores, a senior co-captain of the University of Detroit Jesuit golf team, shot a 74 to lead his team to a fifth place finish in the state District 8

North boys stay unbeaten in MAC Red

By Chuck Klonek
Sports Editor

There's not much doubt about it.

Grosse Pointe North's boys cross country team has been the cream of the crop in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division this year.

And the Norsemen's Robbie Fisher can make a claim as the fastest runner in the division.

North had a 6-0 record in the second jamboree meet of the season last week at Metropolitan Beach Metropark. North was also 6-0 in the MAC Red Jamboree I.

And for the second time, North got its toughest competition from Grosse Pointe South. In the head-to-head matchup with the Blue Devils, the Norsemen won 26-32.

"All seven of our varsity

runners had their season-best times," said North coach Pat Wilson. "And all of them were under 18 minutes."

Fisher broke the 16-minute barrier for the first time with a 15:58 that tied him with former All-State runner Scott Collins for the fastest time by a North junior since Wilson took over as coach.

"Robbie ran a good race," Wilson said. "He had even splits. He didn't force anything. As a freshman and sophomore, he had a tendency to force the pace, sometimes to his detriment."

Wilson said that during track season last spring, Fisher stopped forcing the pace and became a more efficient racer.

Fisher and South's Jake Wernet were running neck-and-neck for over two miles

before Fisher pulled away.

"Jake ran a super race," said South coach Tom Wise. "He stayed with Robbie for more than two miles."

Mike Pokladek was fifth overall for North in 17:05, a drop of 20 seconds from his personal record.

Following Fisher and Pokladek were Alex Davenport, Casey Fulton, Andy VanEgmond, Drew Fayad and Dan Surmont.

"Casey, who's been fighting through injuries, had a minute drop," Wilson said. "VanEgmond broke 18 minutes for the first time and so did Surmont, who's a first-year runner."

Another highlight for South, which finished 5-1 in each of the jamborees, was the performance of Edwin Gay, who broke the school's freshman record.

Gay finished in 17:09, breaking Eric Lindsay's old mark of 17:11 set in 1988.

Several other North runners posted PRs, including Mark Miotto, who won the junior varsity race, and Alex Kopacka, who broke 19 minutes for the first time and earned a spot on the school's all-time freshman list.

Others with PRs were Matt Verryser, Brandon Davenport, Kyle Lechner, Taylor Brennan, Kyle Cross, Paul Joseph, Peter Dong, Joe Ralko, Adam Gaglio, Chris Siewert, Paul Adamaszak, Paul Schreiber and Noah Willoughby.

"We have a great group of freshmen, and a lot of them have a cross country background," Wilson said. "Kopacka's father ran for North, and Davenport, Cross, Joseph and Matt VanEgmond all have brothers who've run for us."

ULS qualifies for state tennis tourney

By Chuck Klonek
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's tennis team got just what it needed from the first round of the state Division IV regional the Knights hosted last week.

"We won all of our first round matches," coach Chuck Wright said. "You need 18 points to qualify for the state meet, and we got 16 in the first round. Those first-round matches count two points because of byes. That meant we only needed two more points, and we expected Holly (Huth) and Jessica (Leonard) to get to the finals."

Detroit Country Day finished first with 28 points, Ann Arbor Greenhills had 22 and ULS wound up with 20.

Huth and Leonard both won their semifinal matches at first and second singles, respectively, to get ULS into the state tournament, and the Knights got a couple of bonus points from Leonard and Carrie Taylor.

Taylor beat a player from Greenhills 7-5, 2-6, 7-5 in the semifinals at No. 4 singles to reach the championship match, where she lost to Country Day.

"Carrie lost to the

Greenhills girl earlier in the year," Wright said.

Leonard won the No. 2 singles flight with a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Country Day.

"That's the third time Jessica has beaten her this year," Wright said.

Leonard's other two wins were 6-1, 6-0 and 6-2, 6-0.

Huth lost 6-4, 7-5 in the championship match to Rachel Endros of Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, who will probably be the top seed in the finals.

One of the key first round victories came at No. 1 doubles where Grace D'Arcy and Stefania Ford lost their first set 1-6, but came back

to win the next two 6-1, 6-4.

"(Assistant coach) Ken Rychwalski helped them turn that match around," Wright said.

ULS got its other first-round wins from Denine Simmons at No. 3 singles, Jamie Bow and Lauren Russell at No. 2 doubles, Claire Peracchio and Catherine Vatsis at No. 3 and Julia Brennan and Sarah McCuish at No. 4.

Earlier, ULS lost 8-0 to Grosse Pointe South.

In No. 1 singles, the Blue Devils' Melanie Capuano beat Huth 6-3, 6-4, and at No. 2, South's McCall Monte beat Leonard 7-6, 6-3.

North girls tie for second in MAC Red

Grosse Pointe North's girls cross country team didn't run poorly in the second Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree last week.

The Norsemen just didn't run well enough.

"The girls had great times but we did not run competitively enough against the competition," said North coach Scott Cooper. "(Grosse Pointe) South, Ike (Eisenhower) and Stevenson all ran right at us and beat us. The North girls ran too conservatively and need to run tougher in the races

ahead.

"As a team we need to step it up a notch to meet the competition. The Red division has great teams that will never allow you to let your guard down. I think we learned a lot in this race that, hopefully, we can use to help us finish off the season with some great races."

North had a record 78 girls finish the varsity and junior varsity races and all but 10 of them had their best times of the season.

Betsy Graney finished second overall for North with a time of 19:06. Sarah Gryniewicz was the Norsemen's second runner and she posted a career best time. Rounding out the varsity seven were Brianne McDonald, Cara Miserendino, Angela Lee, Hannah Clor and Alex Filippelli.

Lauren Major and Melissa Ciaravino finished 1-2 for North in the JV race.

North finished in a second-place tie with South after the two jamboree races.

The Norsemen ran in the Ypsilanti Invitational last

weekend and finished fifth in a strong eight-team field.

"The teams that were there made for great competition," Cooper said. "We were beaten by Saline, which is ranked No. 2 in the state; Ann Arbor Pioneer, which is also ranked in the top 10; and Brighton, which is always a top state contender."

North got off to a bad start, but steadily moved up.

Graney fought her way back to the front and finished second, while Gryniewicz passed about 20 runners in the last mile to finish 11th.

Miserendino and Filippelli ran together and each had PRs. Lee, McDonald and Meryl Masserang rounded out the top seven, with each earning medals.

North's JV team won the third-place trophy and 16 runners earned medals. They were Major, Katie Graves, Liz Rabidoux, Quinn Wulf, Ciaravino, Chrissie Costakis, Sarah Kinnear, Becca Gimpert, Katie D'Hondt, Ashley Payton, Brittney Furgal,

Marina Metes, Sam Patterson, Francesca Bruno, Abbey Lundy and Jessica Watt.

"Sixty-seven girls finished and 31 had PRs," Cooper said. "This is a great sign since this course was much tougher than last Tuesday's Metro Beach race. To run a PR on Ypsi's course is quite an accomplishment."

Cooper singled out Major, Graves and Metes for special praise. Major and Metes both beat their best times from last season.

"At the Ypsi Invitational, the race director gives each coach an extra medal to award as we see fit," Cooper said. "This year he gave me two since we have such a huge team."

"I awarded these medals to Lauren Miller and Jane Thompson for their dedication and effort on our team. Lauren improved on her best time a week earlier by six minutes. Jane struggles to finish every race she enters, but always does. She runs with more heart than many other runners. I have nothing but respect for these girls."

South booters blanked twice in MAC White

Goals have been scarce for Grosse Pointe South's soccer team.

The Blue Devils dropped a pair of Macomb Area Conference White Division games — 1-0 to Utica and 4-0 to Romeo — and fell 6-1 to state-ranked Birmingham Brother Rice in a non-league match.

South started flat in Monday's game with Romeo and a minute and a half into the match, Blue Devils goalkeeper Greg Carmody came out of his net in an attempt to capture the ball, but the Bulldogs' Dan Tomovski beat him to it and blasted the winning shot 23 yards into the empty net.

Romeo controlled the rest

of the first half but finished with four shots on goal to South's three.

Following coach Gene Harkins' halftime discussion, the Blue Devils played better at the start of the second half.

However, with 18:20 to play, Romeo's Eric Lee headed home a corner kick from Tomovski to put the match out of reach.

The last two goals were a result of South mistakes with Lee and Tomovski each scoring their second goal of the game. Lee also had an assist.

Romeo's Mike Rea made eight saves to record the shutout. Carmody and Ben Shatnagh combined for 10 saves.

Harkins remained optimistic that the Blue Devils would improve during the second half of the MAC White season.

As South grows more confident in the short pass, controlled style of play, forsaking the "long ball chase"

method, they will gain skill to offset the "bigger, stronger, more physical" opponents.

Against Utica, South played a poor first half and the Chieftains converted their lone scoring opportunity and made the lead stand up for the remaining 60 minutes.

Danny Panoff took a pass from Tommy Nestorovski, went one-on-one with Carmody and sent a grounder just inside the left post for the score.

South had some quality scoring chances in the second half but failed to get them past Utica goalie Michael Corless.

In the final minute, with all the Blue Devils attacking, controversy erupted as to whether Corless had possession of the loose ball or not.

The referee whistled the action dead, depriving South of the opportunity to tie the match.

Carmody made eight

saves, while Corless had 10.

Chided at halftime for lobbing long balls rather than possessing the ball with short passes and quick movement, South played a much-improved second half, but just failed to score.

Against Brother Rice, the Warriors' Michael Robinson collected what would be a season's worth of points for many Blue Devils players with his two goals and three assists.

Two minutes into the game, a long throw-in by Rice was deflected into the net by a South player, and Robinson was credited with the goal.

Rice stretched its lead to 3-0 at halftime, but in the second half South picked up the pace and moved the ball more successfully.

The Blue Devils got their only goal when Matt Faiver placed a solid shot into the net off a fine pass from Erald Ruci to make it 5-1.

South is 3-9 overall and 4 in the MAC White.

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Time to repair your lawn

Q. My lawn looks real bad. What can I do to bring it back?

A. This summer has taken its toll on many lawns. During the summer many lawns have developed dead patches due to either drought or insects. The good news is that most of these lawns are repairable. Now is the best time of year to repair the damage from the summer. The days and nights are cooler, and we will receive more rainfall.

Fertilizing your lawn throughout the rest of this year will promote grass growth. A slow-release fertilizer such as Greenveiw Fairway Formula Fall or Greenveiw Winter Green fertilizer now will do wonders for your lawn. Fertilizer applied in the fall will push root growth and strengthen the lawn before winter hits. Spring and fall are the most important times of the year to fertilize your lawn.

If your lawn has dead spots larger than 6 inches, a light top-dressing of soil and seed will help fill in those spots even faster. Using compost to top dress the lawn will also help break down the thatch layer of the grass.

Prep the area by lightly raking the bare spots in the lawn. Next, sprinkle the seed over the bare spots. Cover the seed with about a one-eighth inch of compost/topsoil mix or bagged topsoil which works fine if you only have a few spots.



By David Soulliere
Soulliere Garden Center

If you have a lot of spots, it is less expensive to get compost/topsoil mix by the cubic yard delivered to your home.

The final step is to sprinkle a light layer of peat moss over the seed. Peat moss is finely shredded organic matter that does a great job holding on to the surface moisture so the seed can germinate.

Water the seeded spots every day just enough to keep the areas damp. You should start to see the grass seed sprouting in about two weeks. Do not use any weed killers on the newly seeded areas for about two months.

David Soulliere is a Michigan certified nurseryman at Soulliere Garden Center, 23919 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, Between Nine and 10 Mile. Phone (586) 776-2811 or go to www.michigangardens.com on the Internet for further gardening information. E-mail at gardencenter@wideopenwest.com.

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- Thoroughly clean the filter. A dirty filter can cake and harden

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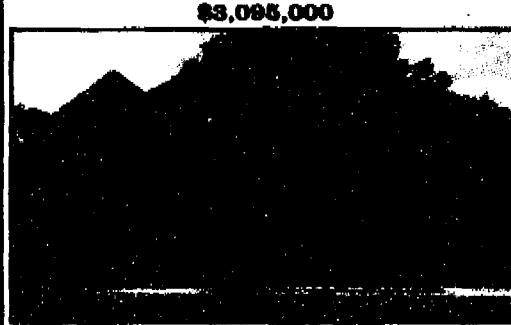
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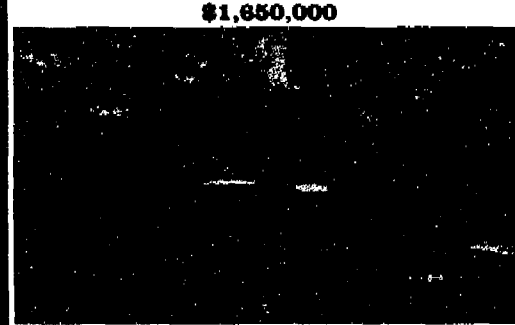
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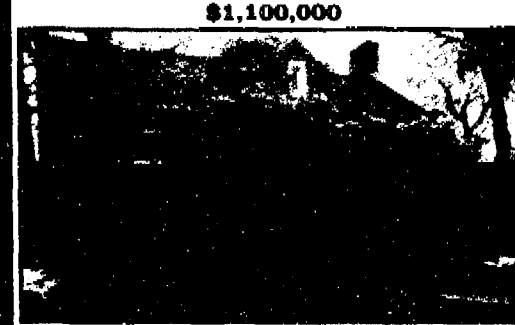
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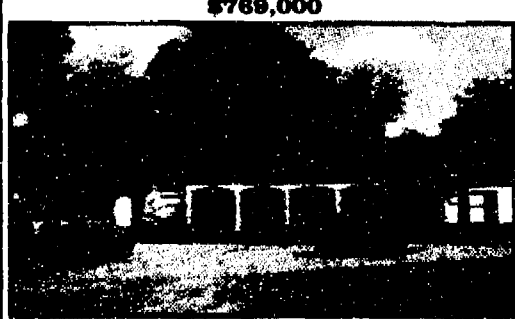
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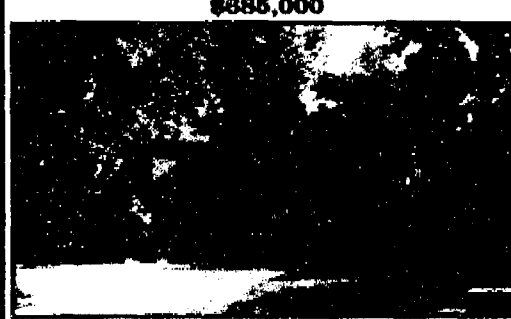
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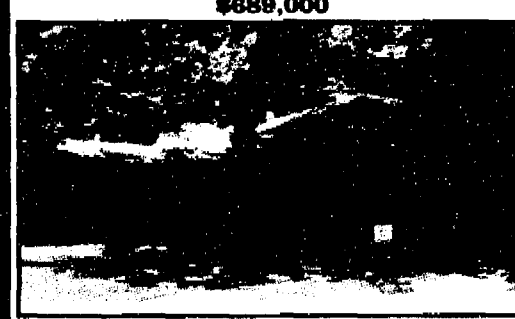
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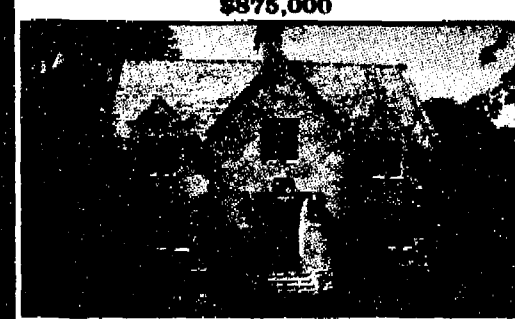
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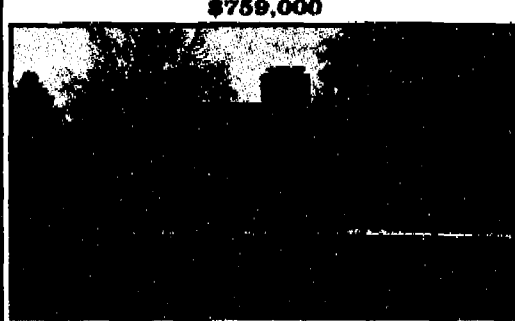
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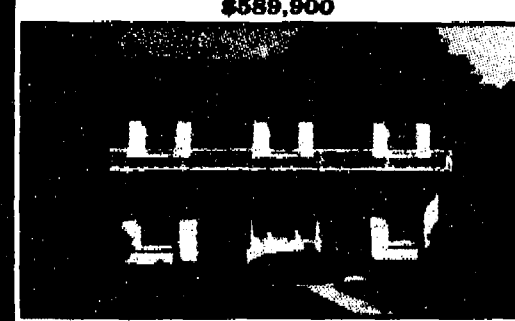
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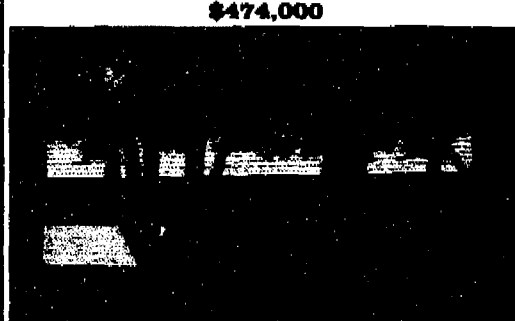
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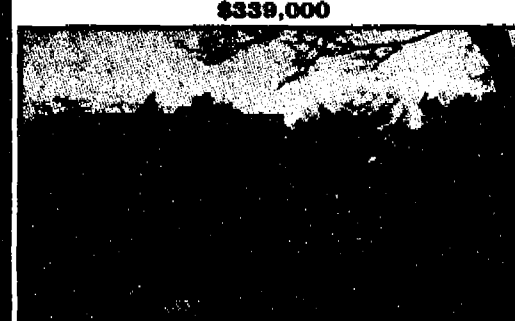
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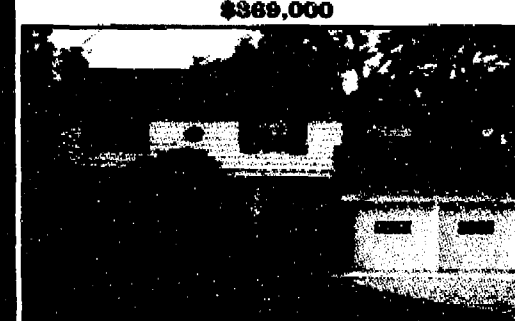
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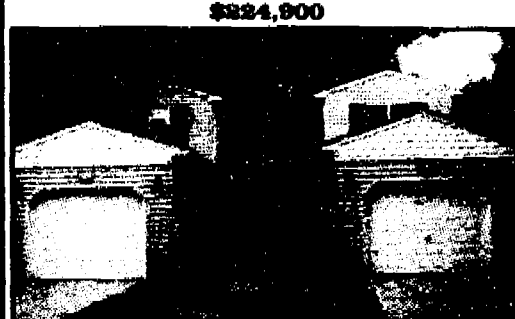
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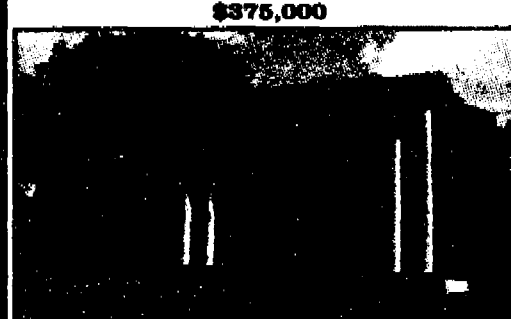
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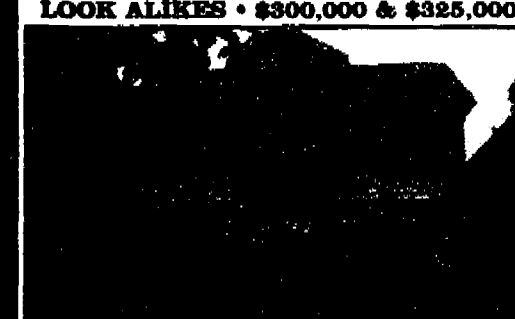
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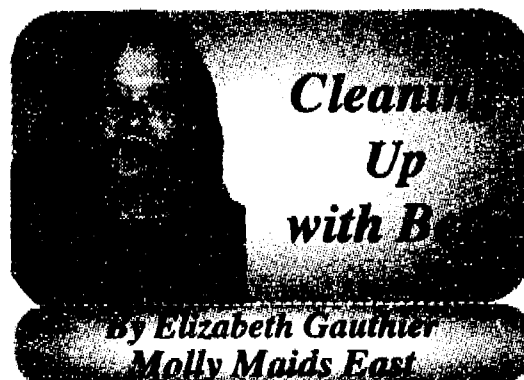
Q. I have an extensive collection of crystal I love, but am considering selling because I can't keep it clean. I dust often, but it seems as if it's never enough. Is there anything I can do?

A. Hunting through estate sales and checking antique stores, I have found it's the years of searching that makes collecting so fun and rewarding. Instead of putting away your treasures, let's focus on minimizing the dust in your home. Dust circulates in the air until it settles. The trick to dusting less is to prevent it from becoming airborne and settling on already clean surfaces. By maintaining a few key areas you can really help manage this:

- **Furnace filter:** This should be changed at least every few months. Your filter is what helps trap dust and keeps it from circulating into the air. If this still isn't enough, look into getting your air ducts cleaned. You will be surprised by how much dust and debris are removed if you have never had this done before.

- **Ceiling fans:** They don't only circulate air, they distribute dust. If you don't clean your fans often, a thick buildup will form along the edge and the upper side of the blade where you can't see. When turned on, it not only stirs up dust from surfaces but releases any loose particles into the air and onto areas you've already finished. Make it a habit to clean your fan blades every two weeks or, if needed, once a week. There is a special extension brush you can buy that does both sides of the blades at once.

- Put away the broom:



Sweeping a floor is not efficient in removing dust and debris. We are all familiar with that last thin line of dirt you have to struggle to get in the dustpan, not to mention the amount pushed into the air from the broom. Instead use a vacuum with a bare floor attachment, it takes less time and does a much better job.

Now that you have helped to eliminate much of the dust in your home, you shouldn't have to sell your collection. Want even less maintenance? Consider leaving only a few items out at a time. This will not only provide you with fewer surfaces to maintain but highlight the pieces left out.

If you are going to store items, be sure to wrap them in bubble wrap and place inside a strong plastic storage container. It is important to use plastic because cardboard is susceptible to the elements and can be crushed along with anything in it. Another option: why not fill one of your favorite vases with flowers or use a bowl to hold fruit. Switch them often or with the season. It's a fun way to change decor and gives new life to items you already love.

Elizabeth Gauthier is president of Molly Maids East.

Household Help

By Samantha Mazzotta

Q. Can you tell me the best way of sealing a crack in my concrete driveway? The crack extends the entire width of the driveway (which is about 9 1/2-feet wide) in a zigzag pattern. In three places, the crack is about 5 inches long and about 1-inch deep. The rest of the crack is about 1/4-inch wide or less and 1/4-inch deep or less. What is the best way to repair it, and what material do I use? Is the ready-made stuff that comes in a tube OK?

— Ron, via e-mail.

A. Concrete caulk is a good stop-gap measure, but it is temporary at best. A better repair can be made by reserving a warm, dry afternoon and heading for the nearest home-improvement store for the following materials.

Purchase a wire brush (or a wire-wheel attachment for your power drill), a cold chisel and hand maul, a trowel and a cheap paintbrush. Then pick up enough vinyl-reinforced patching compound to fill the smaller parts of the crack, and a bottle of concrete bonding adhesive. For the larger cracks, you will likely need to use sand-mix concrete, plus some additional sand. If you're not sure about the amount, ask a sales representative in the concrete/mortar section; he or she will recommend just what you need for the repair.

Begin the repair by brushing away all loose debris, dirt and other material from the crack, using the wire brush. Then, take the cold chisel and carefully chisel out the larger parts of the crack, creating a backward-angled cut (one that is wider at the base than at the surface) on each side. Cracks that are 1/4-inch wide or less usually don't need chiseling. Brush the area again.

Tackle the smaller cracks with vinyl-reinforced patching compound, working in sections. Brush the cracks first with a thin layer of bonding adhesive, then trowel the compound in, and feather it out on the surface.

The three larger cracks should be filled with sand to about 1/2-inch from the surface. Then, pre-

pare the sand-mix concrete according to directions, and trowel into the crack, feathering it even with the surface. Allow the patches to dry and set for at least 24 to 48 hours before driving or walking on them. Cover with plastic if it rains during this time.

Q. Should I replace my home's damaged siding or is there a patch compound or something available to protect the walls?

— Jack S., Schenectady, N.Y.

A. Wood siding is installed in a staggered pattern so that the joints don't line up. It's best to follow the pattern when replacing siding; so you'll need to remove boards individually.

To do so, carefully pry up the board above the one to be removed, and place wood spacers under it to expose the nail heads of the damaged board. From here, you can use the pry bar to "rock" the damaged board and raise the nail heads a bit so they're easier to remove. Or, if you have a reciprocating saw, pry up the damaged board, put spacers under it, and then carefully cut the nails from underneath. Pull the board off (leaving the spacers under the top piece of siding so you can slip the new piece in).

Once all the damaged siding is removed, check the wall's underlayment. Replace damaged materials. If the building paper has small tears or holes, patch these with roofing cement. Then, head to the lumber yard and have new siding cut to match the old.

Single siding boards can be installed by slipping them underneath the undamaged boards above and nailing them into place with siding nails. If you're replacing more than one board in a section, start from the bottom, and work upward so the boards overlap properly. If you're adding two boards to the same row, leave a quarter-inch gap between the ends, and fill with paintable silicone caulk after the siding has all been installed. Let the caulk dry, and then immediately prime and paint the new siding to protect it from the weather.

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Today's collectors are flippin' over flapjacks

By Anita Gold

Q. Can you tell me anything about old pancake turners which I recently started to collect?

— Della Porter, Virginia Beach, Va.

A. Some collectors flip over old flippers, turners, or lifters for flapjacks, griddle cakes, pancakes, or anything else that needed flipping or flopping. Turners were wrought by blacksmiths as early as the 17th and 18th centuries.

Especially desirable are early wrought-iron turners, often given as wedding gifts, with decorative designs or names incised on the handle. Some have "witch marks" to ward off witches, demons and devils from bewitching the cakes and thus poisoning those who ate them. Some exceptional iron turners were embellished with a brass star-shaped witch mark with points around the edges, for extra protection. Utensils often were "protected" with witch marks to keep witches and horned-ones from hiding in food. "Witch-

marked" utensils have a peculiar charm that adds to their value.

Some wrought-iron turners were shaped like solid keyholes with triangular-shaped paddles, or small, flat shovels or spades, with looped or twisted handles from which they could hang, or were topped off with a ball-shaped knob, or a seal with incised initials, much like those used for sealing wax.

Later, in the 19th and 20th centuries, machine-made turners were produced in plain or japanned tin, stainless steel and aluminum, designed with solid, perforated, slit, slotted or pierced designs with cutout motifs of hearts, flowers, and polka dots, while other tin examples dating from 1910 had a long rod-like handle ending in a snake-shaped or spiral design for easy gripping. Such turners were made with both perforated and solid head styles.

Especially desirable are tin turners which advertised products such as "Rumford The Wholesome

Baking Powder." Many pancake turners were made and marked by the A&J Manufacturing Co., which opened in 1909 in Binghamton, N.Y., and was acquired by the Edward Katzinger Co. in 1929, with the Katzinger name being changed to EKCO Products Co. in 1945, and which went on to produce quality kitchenware we're all familiar with.

Q. Are old hunting-related items such as medals, trophies, pinback buttons, stick pins, awards, and other such things collectible, and if so how can I find out what they're worth, and where can I find buyers?

— Ralph Scott, Green Bay, Wis.

A. A terrific new book in which you'll find anything and everything related to such items including their full descriptions and current values is "Classic Hunting Collectibles Identification & Price Guide" by Hal Boggess. This book includes vintage advertising, posters, magazines and calendars, available in a 256-page edition for \$28.99 postpaid from KP Books, 700 East State St., Iola, WI 54990-0001, or phone (800) 258-0929 toll free to order. The book covers wooden shell-shot box crates including those worth three and four figure sums, along with pinbacks and stickpins, fobs, medals and awards, and more. The book also covers Winchester items including a very rare store fancy hand fan said to be priceless, as well as numerous other antiques worth big bucks.

Q. What do you think of people who serve punch (spiked with rum or other booze) in an antique chamber pot at a party?

— Shelia Harris, Green Valley, Ariz.

A. By the time the party's in full action, they'll be too soused to care. However, the host or hostess should warn the guests in advance especially if they're "pot"ticular.

Q. Would I be ruining the value of an old sea chest if I put new rope handles on its sides?

— Jennifer Phillips, Columbia, N.C.

A. Not at all, but I would dark-

en the rope with dye, brown wax or dirt so it doesn't look too light and brand new.

Q. My grandfather left us his large collection of old guns. How can we find out more about them and their values?

— George Thomas, Green Bay.

A. Sure as shootin' you'll find out everything you want to know about them and much more in the new, 15th edition of the "2005 Standard Catalog of Firearms." This collector's price and reference guide by Ned Schwing is the world's No. 1 reference for firearms collectors. This new 15th edition is full of updates. Featuring photographs, history and data for over 25,000 models, this reliable book covers every collectible firearm from 1838 to today. It is available for \$34.99 from Krause Publications, 700 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990-0001, or phone (800) 258-0929 toll free to order. The item number is GG15. For more information about Krause Publications visit their Web site at krause.com.

Q. I'm told there was a Colin Powell G.I. Joe doll. If so, when was it made, and how much would it presently be worth?

— Carl Harrison, Green Valley, Ariz.

A. According to the August 2005 issue of the *Antique & Contemporary Collectibles* *Antique Trader's Collector Magazine & Price Guide*, such a handsome General Colin Powell G.I. Joe Doll that's pictured in the magazine and described as being part of the "G.I. Joe Classic Collection," wearing his uniform as general, by Hasbro Inc., dates from 1998, and has a value of \$300 in near mint condition in its box. To subscribe to the *Antique Trader's Collector Magazine & Price Guide* 12-issue monthly price guide you'll really love, phone (563) 588-2073 or visit the Web site collect.com.

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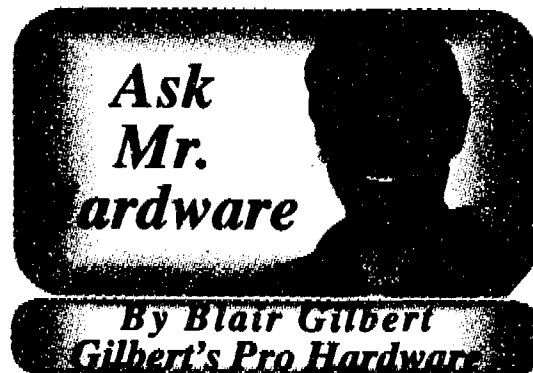
The loss of our pusher



Thomas Vandenameele

Thomas Vandenameele, our beloved Van, departed our world suddenly last week. For the last six years he has been the Energizer Bunny at Gilbert's, outworking staff half his age while bestowing phrases and remarks to keep us all smiling.

"Mach schnell!" "Get going!"



"Smile" still echo through the building.

Van was the proofing editor of my columns, so I can only blame myself for any mistakes here on out.

We sure miss him and wish his family strength during this sad time.

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Designer tips for fall decorating

Create one-of-a-kind accents you make yourself. Even quick, easy projects can have a big impact on the design of a room; with a little expert guidance, you'll be surprised what you can achieve using supplies you may already have on hand.

Interior designer Christi Proctor, of The Learning Channel's program "Trading Spaces," enjoys using found objects to create unique focal points for her rooms. Proctor has created everything from a pet pillow made from beautiful antique fabric and personalized with the animal's name, to metal letter plaques spelling out sentiments such as enjoy, laugh, hope and fun, made from easy-to-find materials including a zinc metal floor tile and metal letters.

The Texas native defines her signature style as "rustic elegance." "I get inspiration from the charm of the varied Texas cultures, the Old West and Europe," she says. "Home decorating projects don't have to be complicated and time consuming to achieve elegant results," says

Proctor. She prefers projects that give big results with minimal fuss. For example, both the projects mentioned above are assembled using nothing more than glue. For the pet pillow, the fabric is glued together instead of being sewn; the decorative trim and the pet's name that embellish the pillow are also affixed using glue, making this a project that can easily be completed in a few hours.

"The trick is finding and using the right glue for your project," says Proctor. "When you're gluing metal letters to metal tile, you need a strong adhesive made for metal surfaces," she says. Proctor recommends Perfect Glue 1, 2, 3. The three distinct formulas ensure that the glue you are using matches the materials you're working with. One formula is perfect for fabric, paper and wood; the second is made especially for glass and plastic; and the third works with metal and stone.

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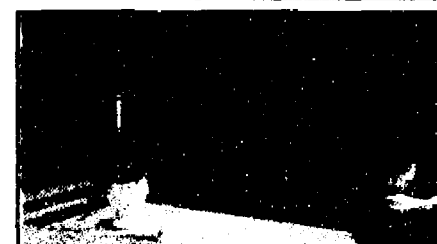
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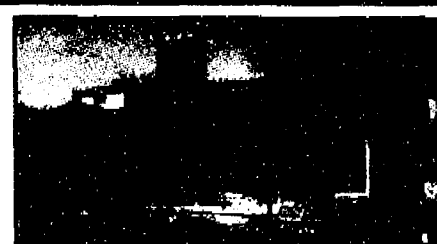
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GROSSE POINTE FARMS Specious
Beautiful five bedroom, four and a half bath Colonial custom built in 2002 with open floor concept. Nice size family room, living room with fireplace, formal dining room, library/den, hardwood floors and more.
(LGP37CHA) 313-886-5040 \$695,000



GROSSE POINTE Magnificent
This English Tudor offers three floors of grace and elegance with a carriage house. Two story foyer leading to sunken garden. This home has been restored with ceramic tile and marble throughout. It will not disappoint you!
(LGP94LAK) 313-886-5040 \$1,750,000



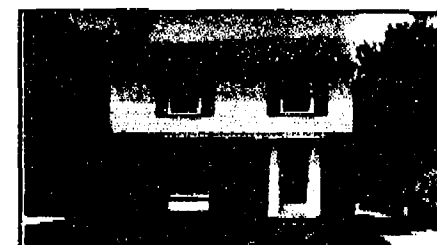
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Elegant
Are you the lucky one? Redesigned spacious Cape Cod with four bedrooms, four baths, three fireplaces. Open concept for entertaining. Graciously manicured lawn. Three car garage. Additional bonus finished lower level.
(LSC53LOC) 586-778-8100 \$999,700



GROSSE POINTE Beautifully Done
Gorgeous Colonial with all of the right updates done! Large kitchen/family room with fireplace, lots of room for entertaining and relaxing. Terrific master suite with huge walk in closet, super bathroom, private veranda.
(LGP09RIV) 313-886-5040 \$444,000



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Spacious
Custom built home for original owner. Four large bedrooms, three full baths, three fireplaces, first floor laundry, hardwood floors throughout. Newer roof. Your personal touches will reward you endlessly!
(LGP28MOR) 313-886-5040 \$379,000



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Exceptional
Five bedrooms, three plus car garage, two and one-half baths, fireplace, spa in outdoors four seasons room, Pella windows, newer kitchen with Pella tile, all appliances stay, newer furnace and air, all the amenities.
(LGP30ROL) 313-886-5040 \$359,000



GROSSE POINTE FARMS Custom
Spacious brick Cox and Baker Cape Cod with three bedrooms, two updated full baths. Gorgeous living and dining rooms with refinished hardwoods and natural fireplace. Updated kitchen, newer roof and windows. Two car garage.
(LGP21CHA) 313-886-5040 \$292,000



GROSSE POINTE PARK Spacious
Four bedrooms, two full baths. Master with private sitting room. Gourmet kitchen, butler's pantry, family room, formal dining, living room with fireplace. Recreation room, enclosed porch, patio, hot tub. Prime location.
(LGS58LAK) 313-886-5040 \$395,000



GROSSE POINTE PARK Two Family
New condominium conversion located South of Jefferson. Entire building can be purchased or condominiums can be sold separately. Each unit has two bedrooms, fireplace, central air, one and one half baths.
(LGP13HAR) 313-886-5040 \$280,000



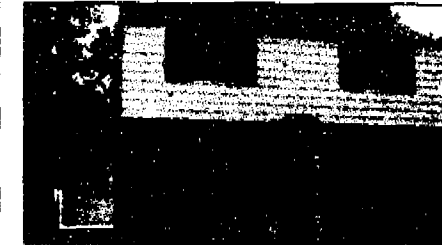
GROSSE POINTE FARMS Cape Cod
Beautiful three bedroom Cape Cod. Hardwood floors refinished. Newer carpeting in all bedrooms. Alarm system, freshly painted, natural fireplace. Central air. Wiring updated. Ceramic tile in kitchen. Loads of updates. A must see.
(LGP49MOR) 313-886-5040 \$279,900



GROSSE POINTE Spacious
Spacious three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, two car garage, two fireplaces, finished basement, library, Florida room, rear deck, air conditioning, fenced yard, corner lot, occupancy at closing. Home Warranty.
(LGP66CAD) 313-886-5040 \$279,900



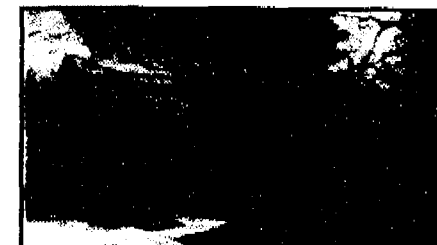
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Elegant
Call us today to visit this charmingly renovated larger home. Three bedrooms, two full baths, updated kitchen, all appliances stay. Family room, sliding door to deck overlooking private yard. A must see now!
(LSC32HUN) 586-778-8100 \$264,700



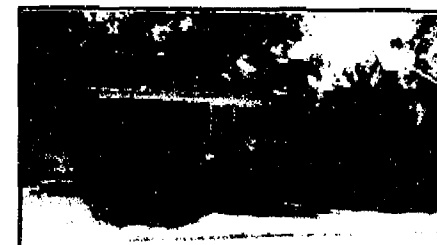
GROSSE POINTE WOODS A Winner
Very clean and neat brick Colonial. Four bedrooms, two full baths on second floor. Family room overlooking deck. Large kitchen with four newer appliances. Many updates throughout. Quick possession. Home Warranty. A rare opportunity.
(LSC42HOL) 586-778-8100 \$279,700



GROSSE POINTE PARK Opportunity
Just off Kercheval and just a few hundred yards from the Village! With a little painting and tweaking this home will be outstanding. Lots of character and detailing throughout. Appliances included. Great investment.
(LGP54BIS) 313-886-5040 \$274,900



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Spacious
Three bedroom brick ranch with two full baths. Short walk to Ferry School. Newer driveway and refinished hardwoods throughout. Finished basement with half bath plus, two car garage. Priced below market value. Warranty.
(LGP20ROS) 313-886-5040 \$214,900



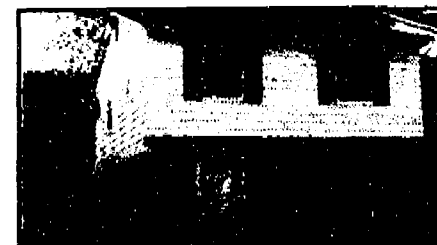
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Immaculate
Newer kitchen with custom cabinets, granite counters. Newer bath with white cabinets, marble counter. Newer tear-off roof. Newer garage, cement drive and patio. Vinyl windows. Brick paver walkway and porch. Multiple fireplaces.
(LGP13ALI) 313-886-5040 \$204,900



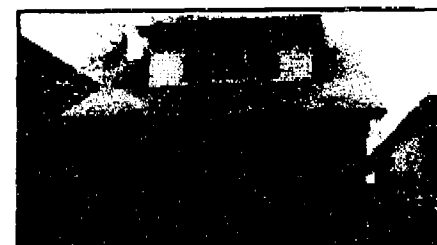
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Update Galore
Enjoy the fine parks and schools Grosse Pointe has to offer by moving into this three bedroom Colonial located east of Marter. Numerous updates include roof, windows, garage and driveway. Central air, gas fireplace.
(LGP58HAM) 313-886-5040 \$200,000



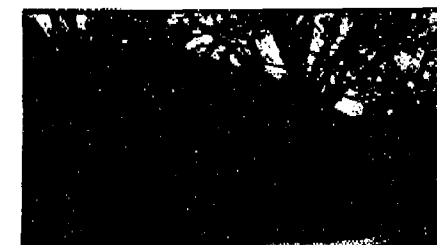
GROSSE POINTE PARK Charming
Old world charm abound in this wonderfully updated Cape Cod. Three or four bedrooms, oak kitchen, natural fireplace, family room, finished basement. Newer: windows, heat and air, two full baths. Appliances included.
(LGP31LAK) 313-886-5040 \$199,900



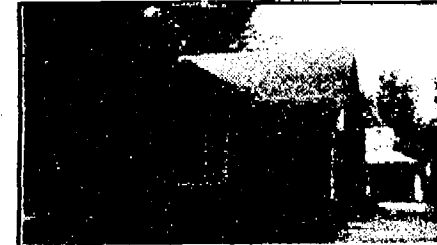
GROSSE POINTE WOODS Great Value
Nice three bedroom Colonial has a large living room, dining room, family room with fireplace. Half bath on first floor, full bath on second. Full basement, two car garage. Freshly painted with new carpet throughout. Immediate occupancy.
(LGP78RID) 313-886-5040 \$174,000



GROSSE POINTE PARK Charming
Enjoy all the Grosse Pointe amenities including the private lakefront parks. Large deck perfect for entertaining. Natural fireplace in living room, formal dining room, hardwood floors. Kitchen appliances. Ready to move in.
(LGP30WAY) 313-886-5040 \$158,000



GROSSE POINTE WOODS Ranch
Major price reduction! Act fast! Grosse Pointe Woods two bedroom ranch. Large master bedroom with walk-in closet, gas fireplace and deck. Hardwood floors. Neutral decor. Two and one half car garage.
(LGP41HAM) 313-886-5040 \$148,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Quality
Original owner! Full brick. Natural fireplace, roof ten years old, formal dining room, vinyl windows new 2004. Finished basement, copper plumbing, washer, dryer and kitchen appliances. Walk to Mack Avenue shopping and Gesquire Park.
(LGP47NOR) 313-886-5040 \$144,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Adorable
Updated kitchen, large dining and living rooms, natural fireplace, central air, large deck, built-in BBQ grill. Large upstairs master can be divided to create a fourth bedroom. All appliances stay. Agent owned.
(LGP44LAN) 313-886-5040 \$149,900



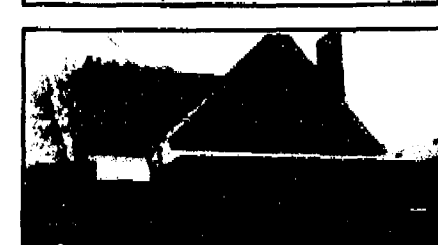
GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Exceptional
Colonial featuring a newer custom kitchen with hickory cabinets, ceramic floors and counters. Beautifully refinished hardwood floors, family room, beautiful walnut fireplace in living room. Professionally landscaped. Tastefully decorated.
(LGP59COU) 313-886-5040 \$184,500



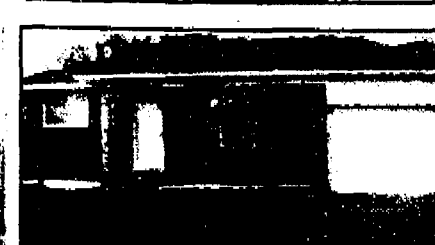
GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Distinguished
Grosse Pointe ambience with Harper Woods affordability. Custom kitchen, updated baths, hardwood floors, Florida room, partially finished basement, two car garage. Newer roof, windows, furnace, concrete, appliances. Neutral decor. Move-in ready.
(LGP67NOR) 313-886-5040 \$144,500



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Charming
Three bedroom brick ranch. Grosse Pointe Schools, two car garage, updated kitchen. Finished basement with full kitchen and full bath. Hardwood floors, newer roof and windows. Patio, fenced yard, air, home warranty.
(LGP91KEN) 313-886-5040 \$154,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Playhouse
Four bedrooms, two full baths plus a full bath in the finished basement. Fireplace in living room, playscape in yard, central air, two car garage. Appliances stay. Immediate occupancy. Home warranty.
(LGP64HUN) 313-886-5040 \$169,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Attention
Attractive Harper Woods ranch. Hardwood floors, formal dining room. One and one half baths. Downward leads to rooftop patio with lights. Central air, alarm system, newer windows. Attached two car garage. Home warranty.
(LGP67FLE) 313-886-5040 \$199,900



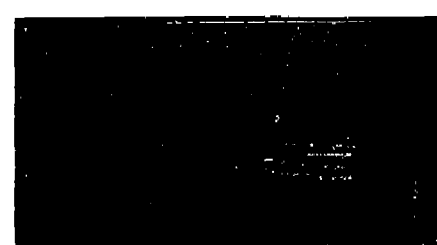
GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Immaculate
This three bedroom brick ranch is spotless. Newer kitchen, newer roof and newer windows. Refinished hardwood floors, central air conditioning, two car garage. Seller will help buyer with closing costs. Home warranty.
(LGP12BEA) 313-886-5040 \$135,900



GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS Bungalow
Three bedroom, one and one half bath. Open floor plan, eating space in kitchen. Two car garage, extra wide driveway. Some newer windows, newer hot water tank, updated bath. Stove, refrigerator and dishwasher included. Must see.
(LGP11COU) 313-886-5040 \$123,900



ST. CLAIR Incredible
Three bedroom two and one half bath with walk-out basement. Second story deck is fabulous. Master bedroom with shower and separate jetted tub and walk in closet. Jack and Jill bath joins two other bedrooms. Great room.
(LGP80RIV) 313-886-5040 \$315,000



STERLING HEIGHTS Unique
Nice bi-level in desirable area with Utica Schools. Carpet in bedrooms is new. Sitting area with hardwood floors. Roomy kitchen. Great landscape gives home curb appeal. Above ground pool, sprinklers and two and one half car garage with electric.
(LGP63WAR) 313-886-5040 \$160,000



Bake a perfect pie for fall

(NAPSI) — The turning leaves and cooler temperatures create a perfect backdrop for entertaining with the delicious, natural sweetness of apples, especially when paired with the whole-grain goodness of oats.

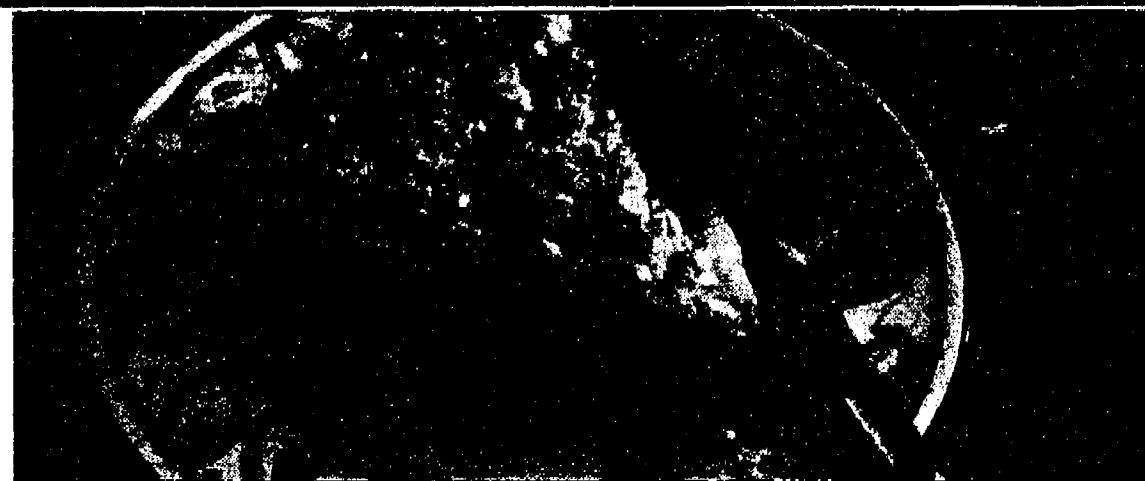
Fall's full flavors come alive in Apple-Berry Crumble Pie. There's no tricky pastry, just a super simple pat-in-the-pan oat crust. Dried

cranberries, lemon juice and cinnamon enhance prepared apple pie filling. With or without a scoop of vanilla ice cream, it's sure to become a fall favorite.

Apple-Berry Crumble Pie

Eight Servings

1 1/2 cups Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)



1 cup all-purpose flour

1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

10 tablespoons butter, melted

1 can (21 oz.) apple pie filling

3/4 cup dried cranberries

1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Heat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Lightly spray 8- or 9-inch glass pie plate with cooking

spray. In medium bowl, combine oats, flour, brown sugar and baking soda. Add melted butter; mix well. Set aside 3/4 cup oat mixture for topping. Press remaining oat mixture firmly onto bottom and sides of pie plate. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until light golden brown.

Cool slightly on wire rack. Using same bowl, stir together pie filling, cranberries, lemon juice and cinnamon. Spoon filling over hot crust, spreading evenly. Sprinkle reserved oat topping evenly over filling.

Bake 18 to 22 minutes or until topping is golden brown. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Decorating

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there are a few steps you need to take to ensure a perfect finished project:

- Prep the surface properly — most adhesives require a clean surface for optimum adhesion. For some projects, a rough surface may facilitate a better "grip" for a stronger bond so you may need to sand the surface first and then remove any residual dust.

- Easy does it — some glues,

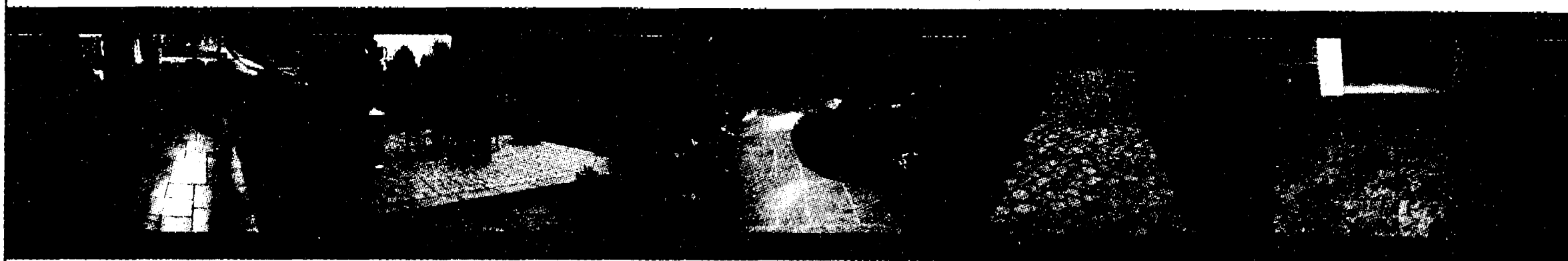
especially cyanoacrylates, such as Perfect Glue 2, have a hard time adhering if too much glue is applied. Simply place a few drops spaced out approximately one inch apart for maximum holding power.

- Allow for cure time — once your substrates are glued, allow them to cure fully before handling them. The bond will be stronger and your project will last longer. To guarantee a secure bond, use a brace or a clamp as necessary during the curing process.

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Faux painting techniques add relaxing feel to bed and bath

(ARA) — According to Donna Schroeder, color specialist with Dutch Boy paints, using the latest faux techniques and colors such as watery blues and pale greens will help turn your own bathroom and bedroom into a haven of relaxation.

"Faux techniques are easy to accomplish and will give your room a whole new feel," says Schroeder. "Plus, faux brings a rich vibrancy to the rooms in which you spend so much time."

The following are examples of some of these faux techniques:

- **Cloud technique** — The first two steps are as easy as tracing cloud-like shapes on a wall in irregular patterns and applying a light blue color to the wall outside the pattern. Then blend in a second darker blue with a sea sponge. After the initial colors dry, the final step entails applying a small amount of white glaze to the edges of the clouds to act as an accent.

The Cloud technique is wonderful for bathrooms but can also add a great effect to any ceiling or child's room.

- **Frottage sponging** — Another sponging technique to make a wall really stand out is Frottage Sponging. Perfect for the bedroom, this technique yields a very modern, new vogue appeal.

Apply three different colors in two-inch by two-inch areas on the wall. Then take an ordinary sponge and lightly blend the colors together. After blending, take different shapes of torn newspaper, and smooth them onto the wall. When you peel off the newspaper you are left with a beautiful new faux finish.

To add a real sparkle to this finish, try Dimensions Metallics from Dutch Boy. When dry, these finishes are translucent and therefore add an amazing shimmer to whatever base coat is beneath.

- **Travertine marble** — The Travertine marble technique adds a soft feel to a room and is a great faux technique for a bedroom. The look is sophisticated and elegant. To create the finish, apply three different paint colors in two-inch by two-inch areas; blend them with a sponge, and then finish it off with



a white glaze to add dimension and sparkle.

- **Diagonal blend** — Take any room to a whole new level with the diagonal blend technique. With Dimensions designer colors Satin Keoki Coffee, Polenta and Indian Tile, you can warm up a bedroom with shades of orange, yellow and brown to give it a cozy feel for when you curl up with your favorite book.

Using a rag roller, take each color, and apply it to the wall in a short diagonal pattern. Then use a color washing brush to blend the colors with large sweeping strokes. Repeat these steps over the entire surface of the wall, and the finished product will add so much flare that it will look as if a giant paint brush swept right across the entire room.

- **Granite stone wall** — Create a classic look in your home with the new granite stone wall technique. With a standard paintbrush apply old-world plaster finish and the granite wall finish to a taped off block pattern on the wall. Next, use the sea sponge to blend the plaster and granite finishes. Finally, remove the tape from the wall, and paint in grout lines where the tape had been. Voila, a granite stone wall.

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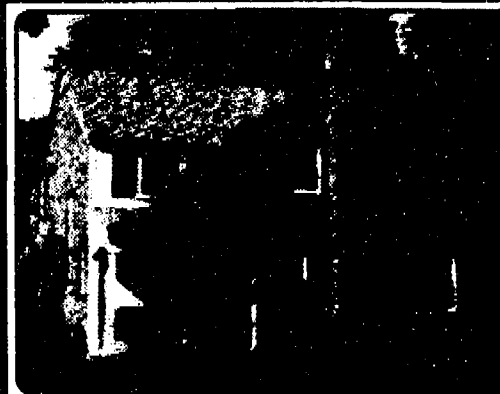
1150 BEDFORD

GROWING FAMILY? This spacious four to five bedroom home offers room to move! There is an updated kitchen with island and eating area, den, screened porch and recreation room. \$519,900.



872 BERKSHIRE

GOOD LOOKING Colonial in Grosse Pointe Park offers four large bedrooms, two and one half baths, first floor laundry, family room with fireplace which opens to the kitchen. \$549,000.



109 MEADOW LANE

GROSSE POINTE FARMS colonial is a great find! Priced at only \$299,900, this three bedroom home has a fireplace in the Master Bedroom, recreation room and quiet terrace.



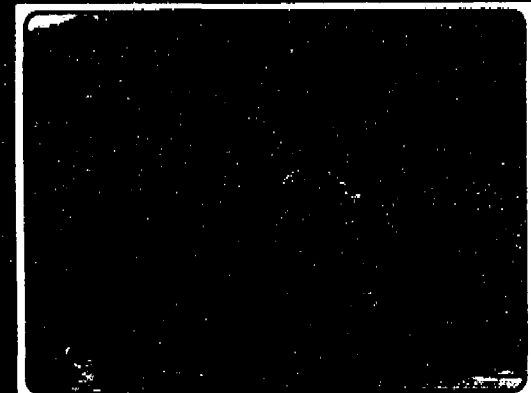
71 N. DEEPLANDS

GORGEOUS colonial in wonderful Shores location provides four bedrooms, four and one half baths, large family room with fireplace and private yard with patio. \$994,900.



31 KERBY COURT

GENEROUS room sizes and stunning renovation add to the desirability of this four bedroom, four and one half bath colonial in the Farms. Gourmet kitchen, den and family room. \$980,000.



LOTHROP LOT

GIANT TREES and dead-end street add to these unique building sites in the Farms. Ready for your dream home, these two parcels each measure approx. 3/4 of an acre! \$550,000 each.



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A Best Financial Corp.	(800) 839-8918	5.125	2.875	4.625	2.625	4.5	1.125	JB
AAXA Discount Mortgage	(877) 728-3569	5.625	0.25	5.25	0.125	4.875	0	JB
AFI Financial	(877) 234-0800	5.625	0.25	5.25	0.125	NR	NR	J
America's Premiere Mortgage	(800) 565-8730	5.75	0	5.25	0	5.25	0	JB/V/F
Ameripius Mortgage Corp.	(248) 740-2323	5.75	0	5.375	0	4.625	0	JW/F
Bay Pointe Mortgage Corp.	(248) 652-3598	5.5	2	5.125	2	4.25	0	J
Brighton Commerce Bank	(810) 220-8646	5.75	1	5.375	1	4.75	1	J
Brinks Goldstar Mortgage	(800) 785-4755	5.375	1.75	4.875	1.75	3.75	1	JB/V/F
Capital Mortgage Funding	(248) LOW-RATE	5.75	2	5.375	1.875	NR	NR	J
Captiva Group Mortgage Co.	(248) 682-8643	5.75	0	5.375	0	3.375	0	JW/F
Centerbrook Mortgage	(248) 851-4150	5.625	0.375	5.25	0.5	NR	NR	JB
Charter One Bank	(800) 342-5336	6.25	0	5.875	0	NR	NR	JW/F
Client Services by Golden Rule	(800) 569-5805	5.375	1.5	5	1.125	2.5	1	JB/V/F
Co-op Services Credit Union	(734) 466-6113	5.5	2	5	2	4.5	0	J
Community Bank of Dearborn	(734) 981-0022	6	0	5.5	0	4.25	0	JW/F
Dearborn Federal Savings Bank	(313) 565-3100	5.75	0	5.375	0	3.375	2	JB
DFCU Financial	(800) 739-2770	5.625	2	5.125	2	NR	NR	J
eREFI.com	www.REFI.com	5.875	0	5.625	0	5	0	R
Fifth Third Bank	(800) 792-8830	6	0.25	5.625	0.125	4.875	0.25	V/F
First Alliance Mortgage Co.	(800) 292-7357	5.75	0	5.375	0	NR	NR	JB/V/F
First International Inc.	(248) 258-1584	5.625	0	5.25	0	NR	NR	JB
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	(800) 888-4822	5.5	3	5.375	1.5	4.375	1	JB/V/F
Golden Rule Mortgage	(800) 785-4755	5.25	2	4.875	1.625	2.25	2	JB/V/F
Goldstar Mortgage	(800) 784-1074	5.625	0.5	5.25	0.375	3.125	0	JB/V/F
Group One Mortgage	(734) 953-4000	5.875	0	5.5	0	5	0	JB/V/F
Home Finance of America	(800) 358-5626	5.625	0	5.25	0	NR	NR	JB
Horizon Financial Group	(866) 538-7887	5.5	2	5	2	NR	NR	J
JMC Mortgage Corp.	(248) 489-4020	5.5	3	5	3	NR	NR	JB
Keystone Mortgage	(866) KEY-FREE	5.25	2.5	5	1.5	3.25	1	JB
LaSalle Bank Midwest	(800) HOME-800	5.625	2	5.25	2	3.25	2	JB/V/F
Lira Financial	(586) 228-0900	5.625	0	5.25	0	3.125	0	JB/V/F
Macomb Schools & Gov. CAJ	(586) 263-8800	5.375	2	5	2	4.125	0	J
Mainstreet Mortgage	(800) 900-1313	5.75	0	5.375	0	NR	NR	JB/V/F
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Pathway Financial LLC	(800) 726-2274	5.625	0	5.25	0	3.375	0	JF
Peoples Mortgage	(313) 730-5040	5.625	0.25	5.25	0.125	NR	NR	J
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Premiere Mortgage Funding	(248) 353-2600	5.625	0	5.25	0	2.75	0	J
Prime Financial Corp.	(248) 203-7010	5.625	0	5.25	0	NR	NR	V/F
Shore Mortgage	(800) 678-6663	5.25	3	4.625	3	2.5	3	JW/F
Sterling Bank & Trust	(800) 925-LOAN	5.875	0	5.5	0	3.875	0	JF
United Mortgage Group	(586) 286-9500	5.625	0	5.25	0	5.25	0	JB/V/F
York Financial Inc.	(866) 839-0675	5.625	0	5.25	0	NR	NR	JB
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It's your money, keep it

By David Uffington

Money saved just a few dollars at a time is still money saved. Over time it can add up to significant amounts. With a little effort and research, you'll find ways to keep those extra dollars in your pocket. Here are some ideas to get you started:

- At least twice a year check with long-distance phone companies in your area to learn if you can get a better deal to the locations you usually call. Find out if you're better off with bundled services (local and long distance with the same company) or by getting those services through multiple vendors.

- Shop for a long-distance service that doesn't charge a monthly or minimum-use fee. Check those 10-10 services for the best rate, but consider any monthly fees or per-call minimum.

- Consider using a cell phone for all your long-distance calls. You might find a plan that gives you free minutes at night and on week-ends.

- Look for phone numbers on the Internet instead of calling the long-distance directory.

- When you get your annual auto-insurance renewal, consult with your agent to see if you can save money by raising your deductible. Then with that new

price in hand, call a half dozen other reputable insurance companies and comparison shop.

- If you drive a very old car, consider dropping the collision portion of your insurance. Check the blue book to see what the car is actually worth.

- When pricing airline tickets, don't put all your faith in one source. Call a few travel agents, and check online as well. Travel agents don't necessarily have access to the best deals. Check into combining your flight, rental car and motel arrangements. That might get you a reduction in price of one or the other.

- Check with your auto insurance company before you sign the agreement for a rental car. Your policy might already cover you for a vacation rental car. There's no sense in paying twice for the same coverage.

In summary, remember the IMMIKI Credo: It's My Money and I'm Keeping It. The more often you refuse to hand over extra dollars, the more you're likely to develop the habit of always seeking out the best deals.

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Home Tips

By JoAnn Derson

- "To get more gas for less, buy gas during the cooler hours of the day or at night. Gas is sold by volume, but it is more dense when it is cool. Therefore, you get more gas when you buy it cold."

— R.D. in Alabama.

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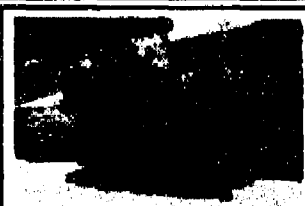
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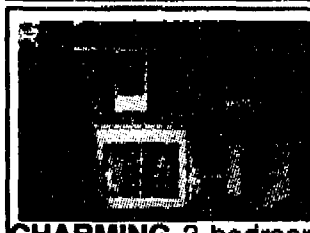
74 Moran, Grosse Pointe Farms. 1960's style, 2/3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch with finished basement and 2 car attached garage. 1,506 sq. ft., two way fireplace, brick paver drive, patio and walkway. \$334,900. Offered by: Comerica Bank Trust Real Estate, (313)222-3033

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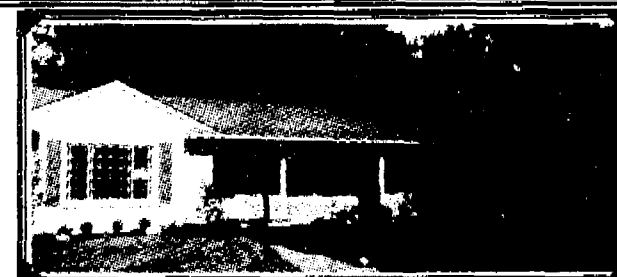
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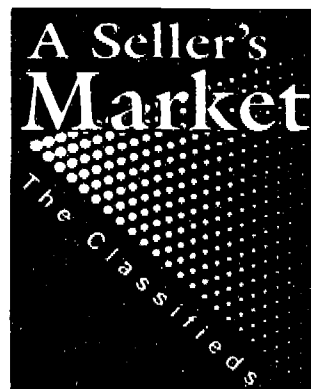
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POINTE Park Place- Luxurious two bedroom, two bath unit. Oak kitchen with appliances, balcony, laundry room, 1 car garage. \$220,000. Motivated. Stieber Realty (586)775-4900

ST. Clair Shores, 22729 Garfield (North of 12, West of Jefferson). Spacious, 2 bedroom ranch condo. Lots of storage. Large 1st floor laundry. Quiet and secluded complex. \$119,900. Mary Roberts, Re/Max First 586-792-8000 ext.285.

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807 INVESTMENT PROPERTY

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913 Bedford	\$524,000	2-4pm	By Owner	313-331-2400
1254 Bishop	\$274,900	1-4pm	Sharron Nelson/Century 21 Town & Country	313-580-5987
15834 Lakeview Court	\$2,290,000	1-4pm	Randy Repicky/Century 21 Town & Country	313-530-1710

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

33 Greenbriar	\$499,000	1-4pm	Jim/Max Broock Realtors	248-722-4342
951 Lakeshore	\$549,000	2-4pm	Higbie Maxon Agney	313-886-3400

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813 Crescent Lane	\$449,000	2-4pm	George Smale/Coldwell Banker Schweitzer	313-886-4200
879 Hampton	\$329,000	2-4pm	Julie Ahee/ReMax Capital	313-300-9524
19775 Ida Lane West	\$254,900	1-4pm	By Owner	586-383-0388
1829 Kenmore	\$219,000	2-4pm	Higbie Maxon Agney	313-886-3400
635 Moorland	\$379,000	2-4pm	By Owner	313-882-7114
735 North Brys	\$439,000	1-4pm	By Owner	313-886-9083
1976 Prestwick	\$249,000	2-4pm	Dori Daskas/Coldwell Banker Schweitzer	313-909-8259
991 South Oxford		2-4pm	By Owner	313-881-6448
1750 Vernier Road	\$178,000	2-4pm	Enid Brahms/Johnstone & Johnstone	313-884-0808

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19998 Lochmoor	\$163,900	2-4pm	Higbie Maxon Agney	313-886-3400
21302 Newcastle	\$134,900	2-4pm	Tappan & Associates	313-884-6200
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22770 Worthington Court	\$399,000	1-4pm	Mary Jo Fresard/Real Estate One	313-402-9626
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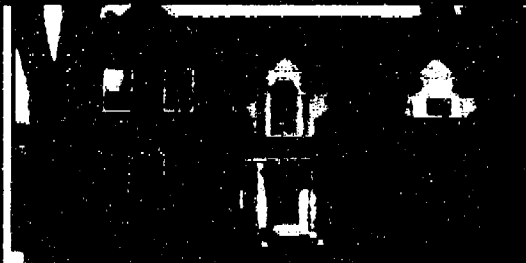
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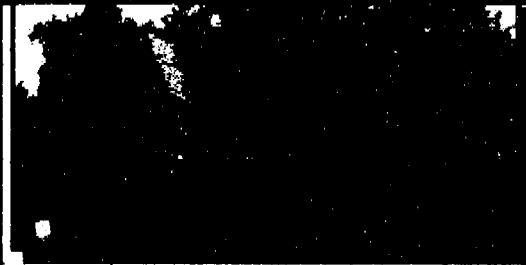
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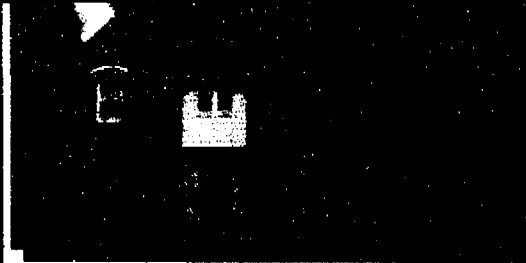
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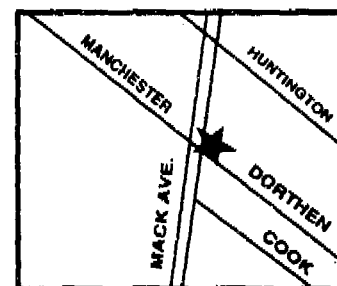
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It's no wonder many people experience foot pain. Feet must support about twice our body's weight with each step we take; so a 100-pound person taking 20 steps with her right foot would have subjected that foot to 2,000 pounds of weight. Running can increase that pressure to seven to nine times the body weight. A foot with even a small biomechanical malfunction can wind up being very sore and painful in a short time.

These same biomechanical problems can encourage the formation of bunions, hammer toes, heel pain, plantar fasciitis and any number of other foot ailments. Positional problems such as excessive pronation (foot rolls in) or supination (foot rolls out) can

lead to foot trouble. A foot that excessively pronates may lead to the formation of many of the above problems.

So, what is the solution? The first thing is to have the foot properly measured before buying any shoe. Feet change in size with age, weight gain/loss and pregnancy. The foot shape also must be considered when choosing a shoe. Next, observation of the person's gait helps determine the degree of pronation or supination.

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Empower kids with health programs

By Rob Lyles

After practicing law for eight years in Washington, DC, I realized I wasn't happy. After some soul searching, I decided to follow in the steps of amazing givers: teachers. I began teaching English which allowed me to start my journey in writing and self-publishing. I recently moved to Grosse Pointe Park and continue my mission in Michigan.

I was born with certain health limitations as a youth and learned to cope with being made fun of because of my health differences. It created a renewed sense of empathy for others less fortunate who were faced with these adversities. Years later, after my career transition, I started writing a book about a boy with a heart-shaped head. My goal was to emphasize how we should think more with our heart in a loving, caring and happy way. At that time my nephew had been born with truncus arteriosus (missing a heart valve), and I noticed how there was nothing available to help these kids get through these stressful moments. As a teacher, I knew that to make children learn, it had to be fun. So I created Dream Publishing Co. to help empower kids to overcome adversity and help their dreams come true: "Sillwee Wobbert The Happy Heart Kid" was born.

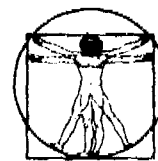
Having approached the medical community first, I found that the goal was to facilitate donations of books to children's hospitals. So I located individual donors to give the books as gifts in kind to this pediatric population. Nurses and child life/social workers saw the healing power in Sillwee Wobbert. Patients found that the book's message spoke to them on an emotionally appealing level and alleviated their fears. Nurses commented on how it was an uplifting message and created a sense of hopefulness that allowed for coping on many levels.

I discovered that my first book turned into a catalyst for others. Sillwee Wobbert's heart-shaped head as a core character gave him multicultural, universal appeal. I received comments from kids each week, and I knew that I was making a difference in the lives of these children. At this point healthcare professionals who knew the book suggested that I take on what they felt to be our generation's next epidemics: asthma and diabetes.

As a result, I decided to create a book series: "Sillwee Wobbert Picture Book Series on Children's Health." I began giving presentations to elementary schools. Initially, what I thought was addressed to children with these disabilities turned out to be beneficial to all kids. In the context of learning about health, we were talking about acceptance, tolerance and respect in the classroom. The Department of Education for California and Maryland then

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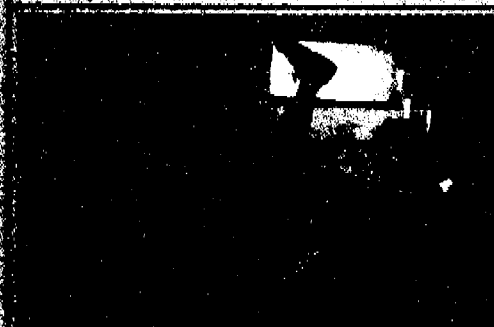
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OH MY ACHING BACK!

Low back pain is one of the most frequent problems treated by physical therapists. Four out of five adults will experience significant low back pain sometime during their lifetime. After the common cold, problems caused by the lower back are the most frequent cause of lost workdays in adults under the age of 65.

The most common site of back pain and injury is the lumbar region - the low back. The lumbar spine bears the brunt of bending, stooping, sitting and worst of all, standing. Low back pain usually results from degenerative changes to the lumbar discs. With aging, the resilient disc material dries out, shrinks and loses some of its "spring". Under the stress of lifting, coughing or sitting improperly, the deteriorated disc can bulge or even rupture, spilling its spongy pulp into the surrounding space. This herniated disc can press on the adjacent nerve root, causing pain, numbness or tingling, and muscle spasms. Loss of disc thickness can also cause arthritic changes of the facet joints, narrowing the space between the vertebrae leading to abnormal pressure on the nerve.

But there's good news too. Most bad backs respond well to rest and conservative treatment. And most injuries can be prevented. Keep reading to find out how and why backs go bad, and how a physical therapist can help you put it right again.



The "dead bug" is an advanced lumbar mobilization exercise, utilizing alternating arm and opposite leg flexion.

Everyday activities, such as gardening, doing the laundry, or mopping the floor can lead to back pain. Expectant mothers find their backs stressed in new ways. Parents, grandparents, and child care workers who lift babies and toddlers in and out of the cribs and car seats may experience back strain. We can't avoid every stressful activity. The key to avoiding back injury lies in minimizing the risk inherent in any activity by applying these simple principles.

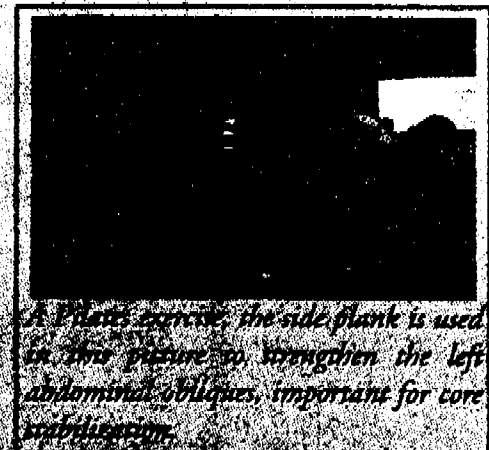
Work on your posture. Don't slouch. Maintain the natural "arch" in your lower back whether standing or sitting.

Lift with your legs. Keeping the object close to your body, bend your knees and keep your back straight. Most importantly, don't twist as you lift!

Sit with care. Prolonged sitting in one position is a back hazard you might not suspect. Lumbar support and periodic breaks to move around are essential.

AVOIDING BACK INJURY

Everyone is vulnerable to back injury, but certain occupations present added risk. People who sit for long periods of time at a desk put increased stress on their backs. People who have a long commute to and from work and those who spend long hours driving on the job can be at risk. Nurses and other caregivers are also prone to back injury. Bending over bedsides, lifting, and moving patients all put excessive strain on the spine.



A Platts exercise, the side plank is used in this picture to strengthen the left abdominal obliques, important for core stabilization.

Control your weight. Being overweight adds stress on your lower back as well as hips, knees, and ankles.

CONDITIONING YOUR BACK

The muscles of your back provide structure as well as mobility. They, along with your abdominal muscles, help to support your spine. That's why maintaining healthy trunk, or "core" muscles is so important in avoiding or recovering from injury. After injury, the first step in getting your back healthy is gentle exercise to improve flexibility. As you recover and pain subsides, your physical therapist may recommend mobilization and strengthening exercises.



Sitting on the physioball encourages contraction of abdominals and back extensors. Throwing and catching a weighted ball while maintaining balance increases the challenge.

time to talk with you and to gather information about your history and symptoms, then proceed with various movement and strength tests to complete the evaluation.

Treatment Your physical therapist will develop a treatment plan suited to your individual problem, and begin working to restore flexibility and ease discomfort. An individualized treatment program is created based on the evaluation. It may include various heat or electric modalities to prepare you for exercise. Back care education is an important component for treatment and prevention of low back pain. The goal of physical therapy is to return you to full function as soon as possible.

Therapeutic massage The body's response to low back injury is often severe muscle spasm. Massage is very helpful in decreasing muscle pain, tenderness and therefore decreasing pain.

Ultrasound is a form of deep heat that is used prior to stretching or exercise. Ultrasound waves cause heating in the injured tissue, which aids with healing and pain control.

TREATMENT FOR BAD BACKS

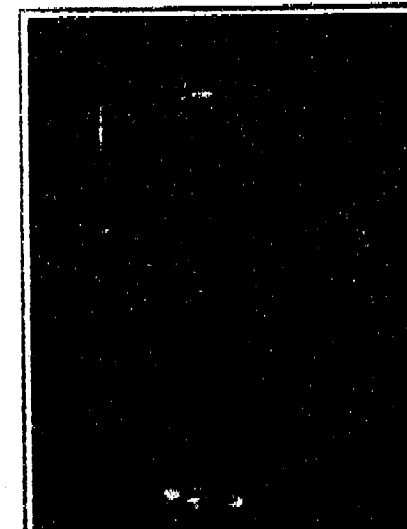
Conservative treatment is most often used for acute low back pain.

Bed rest. For 48 hours or until the acute period passes. Stay in bed—even for meals, if possible. If your bed sags in the middle, add a board under your mattress. Heat or ice may help ease muscle spasm and aid circulation.

Pain medication prescribed by your physician will help get you through the period of most severe pain.

HOW PHYSICAL THERAPY CAN HELP YOUR BACK

Evaluation A thorough evaluation by a physical therapist is essential before any treatment is begun. Your therapist will take the



This picture demonstrates the correct stance for performing a lunge low back injury. Proper posture is checked with a wall, maintaining contact with the heel, the knee, the hip, and the shoulder.



Lumbar stabilization can be done while performing the lunge exercise. Resistance can be provided to increase the challenge with the sport cord.

Electric stimulation can be delivered to the low back area by a physical therapist in an effort to decrease pain and muscle spasm. It may be used in conjunction with cold packs.

Traction can be very helpful in taking pressure off the lumbar spine. In physical therapy, traction may be applied manually or mechanically on a specially designed table.

Manual therapy. The alignment of the lumbar spine may be affected by low back pain. Based on the evaluation, the physical therapist may use manual techniques to mobilize the spine and stretch specific muscles.

Therapeutic exercise is a very important component in the treatment of low back pain. An exercise program is created and progressed by a physical therapist with the goal of strengthening and stretching the appropriate muscles.

It is expected that a person will start to show signs of improvement within two weeks of beginning physical therapy. There are some cases where conservative treatment does not meet all the goals. In this case, a referral to an appropriate medical professional is made. Physicians who specialize in the back may recommend the following treatments:

Epidural injection of anti-inflammatory or pain medication has been shown to be an effective treatment for many patients with low back symptoms.

Surgery should be considered only when conservative treatment to correct severe, chronic pain or neurological symptoms fails. Treatment in physical therapy may also follow surgery to restore a patient to full function.

If you would like more information on how physical therapy can alleviate your back problems, call Uznis Physical Therapy at (313) 881-5678 and ask to speak to Gretchen Uznis Carron, D.P.T.

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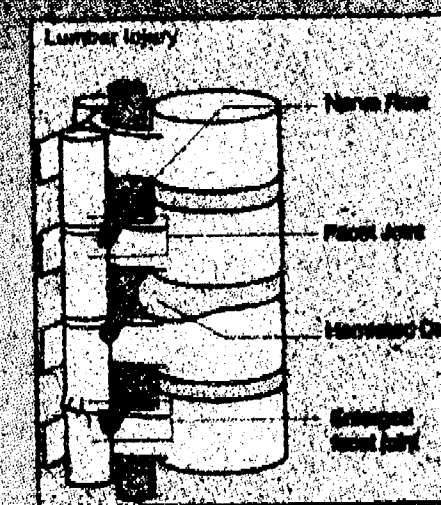
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Empowering kids with health programs

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approved the books as instructional resources in health curriculum.

Each year more than 40,000 kids are born with a heart condition. For the first time, new guidelines are being issued to prevent heart disease in children by the Heart Association. More than 5 million kids are diagnosed with asthma each year. Asthma has become the leading cause of absenteeism in schools (14 million lost days per year) and costs \$12.5 million annually. And 3 million are diagnosed with diabetes annually, the largest growing disease, and precursor to obesity. The FDA recently revised the food pyramid, and studies show the No. 1 concern here for kids was how their peers treated them.


Based on the medical discoveries that showed the African American culture is five times more likely to get asthma, I created William, an African American boy, in my second book, "Sillwee Wobbert and Wheezing Will in the Big Game." Moreover, it's found that diabetes is three times more prevalent in the Latino community, which is why Jose is the main character in the third book, "Sillwee Wobbert, Diabetes and Jose at School and Play." As a result, the series evolved into a multicultural collection of

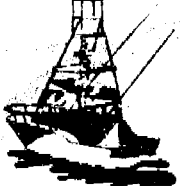
children. Due to our growing diverse community, children relate better to and educators can use books like Sillwee Wobbert as supplemental resources designed to address the hard questions that affect all our children. Education is a powerful tool and is a solution for empowering families to change the behaviors of how we currently deal with our children's lives.


Since being here, I have been giving programs through the Grosse Pointe Community Education and local schools, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, and Children's Home of Detroit, at Detroit Public Library and a new one with Sylvan Learning in December. It has been a great thrill to be a part of such outreach. I've never felt more at home.

My life has become child advocacy in the best way. "We will enjoy Sillwee Wobbert for years to come," said a local parent. "As Hana grows, it will be a reference to let her know she is not alone with her health issue."

Robert Lyles (G. Robert), recently relocated to Grosse Pointe Park with his wife. With each book, he has review from regional hospital centers. He is currently working on other book topics: Down syndrome, autism, vision and bullying. For more information, visit the Web site sillweewobbert.com.







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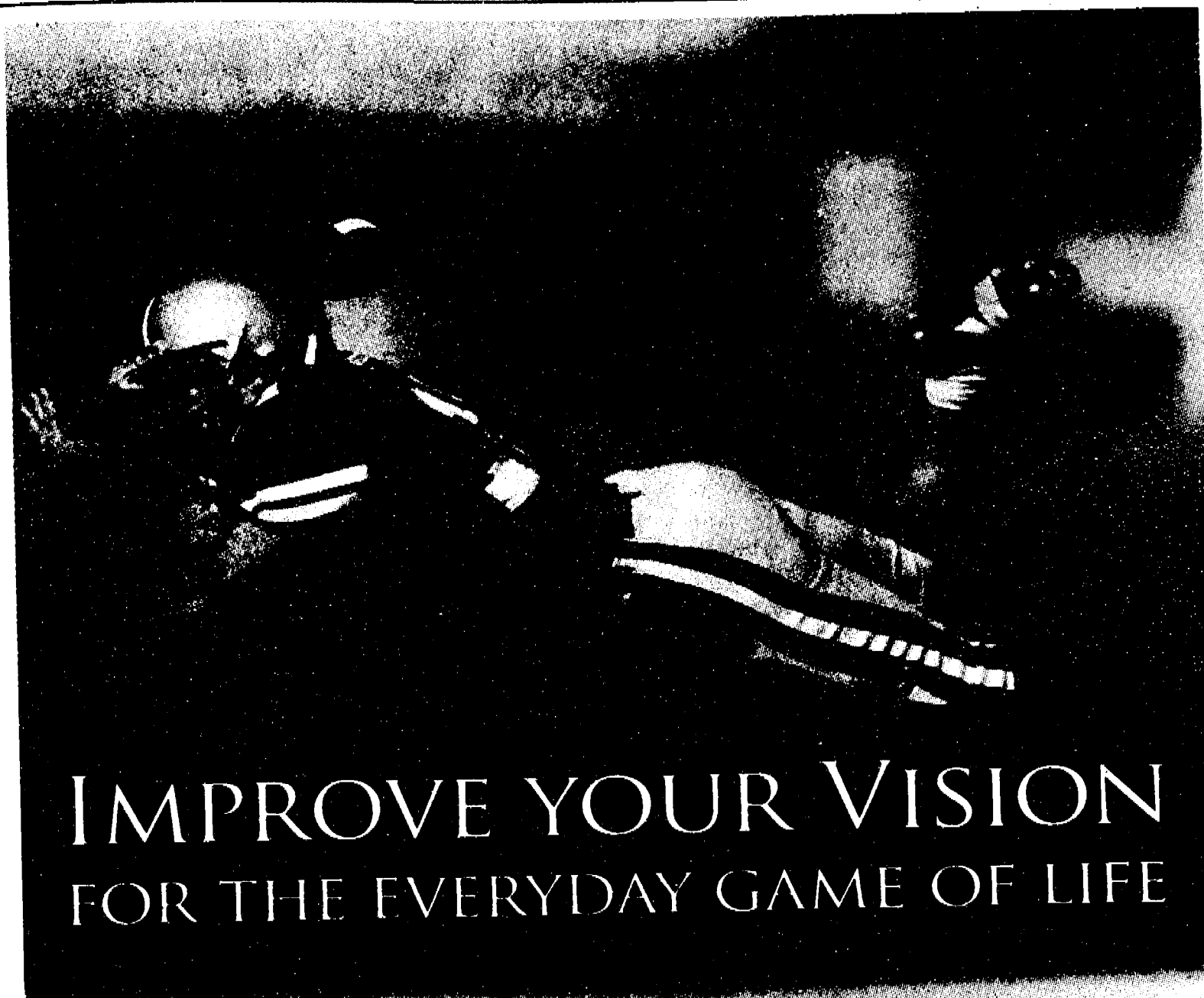
The American Heart Association recommends eating Fish at least twice a week. Fish is a good source of protein and, unlike fatty meat products, it's not high in saturated fat. It's also a good source of omega-3 fatty acids, which benefit heart health.

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Six reasons women need to lift weights

Women who lift weights end up looking like body-builders, right? Not so, say fitness experts. In fact, weight training has become an essential component of exercise for women as they live longer and more independent lives.

While the most common exercises women engage in usually include a treadmill or elliptical machine, there are significant benefits to be had from a largely untapped outlet. Body-for-Life, a lifestyle plan outlined in the best-selling book by Bill Phillips, underlines the necessity of including both weight training and cardio in an exercise program.

"Weight training is more important for women than we ever recognized," says Robyn Stuhr, M.A., administrative director and exercise physiologist at the Women's Sports Medicine Center at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City. "Resistance training helps build muscle and bone mass and prevents the slowdown of metabolism that occurs with age."

Stuhr says women should not fear bulking up if they incorporate weight training into their exercise routines. "Most women are incapable of large increases in muscle size," she says. "Women just don't have the hormonal balance to increase the muscle in that way. Studies show that women achieve a fairly small increase in muscle mass. But the health benefits from weight training are substantial."

It's easy to get started and here are six reasons why

it's so important for healthy living.

- **Protects against osteoporosis.** Women account for 80 percent of osteoporosis cases in America and 50 percent of women over age 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in their remaining lifetime.

- **Prevents the slowdown of metabolism that occurs with age.** "Using weights won't necessarily speed up your metabolism, but it will stop it from slowing down," Stuhr says. "When your metabolism slows down, that's when it's easy to gain weight."

- **Helps your clothes fit better.** Fat takes up five times as much space as muscle. Resistance exercise helps women create lean, toned bodies. The muscle replaces the fat and the body appears much smaller.

- **Adds strength.** The loss of muscle mass begins as early as age 25. "We assume that our bodies still work the same way they did when we were 20," Stuhr says. "But we experience loss of muscle strength and flexibility, so we have to do something to get it back."

- **Gives you more independence with age.** Women live an average of five years longer than men, so their ability to take care of themselves independently is essential.

- **Minimizes the risk of injury.** Stronger bodies are less susceptible to injury.

Body-for-Life recommends eating six small nutritionally balanced meals each day and alternating six days a week of cardio and weight training. But the total exercise time per week doesn't exceed four hours.

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No-guilt in the golden years: parent and child

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One of today's growing concerns for the elderly and their children, is the health care needs of the senior parents/spouses. These needs can range from simple assistance for daily chores and errands at home, to more personal care of bathing, dressing, feeding, and medication reminders. The time spent can vary from a few hours a week to 24 hour live-in care.

Needless to say, there can be a great amount of guilt associated in trying to give the hours needed for family care, while also trying to balance the children's or spouse's own schedules and personal demands and desires. Research has shown that family care givers often run into personal problems due to this guilt and can possibly become emotionally exhausted, depressed, physically ill, and resentful.

Likewise, the parent/spouse needing care can be also experiencing guilt feelings. He or she feels uncomfortable asking and needing so much of the relatives' time and energies, and sees the busy lives and schedules of the family and does not want to intrude. Underneath, the senior's desire is to remain independent, and not a "burden" to the family/spouse. The dependent senior may even feel guilty about spending money that was saved for his or her spouse's retirement or children's inheritance., to care for daily assistance.

But there are answers to these problems. Some

dependent seniors and their families have found that using assisted living in their own home can provide all of the personal care needed. There they can keep in charge of their own life, while maintaining their privacy and independence. Not only are the senior's physical concerns addressed, but the added dimension of socialization and companionship is also provided. The family caregivers can find that their "breaks" are a benefit to themselves and also the patient. The extra free time can help develop more love and patience to provide even better care when needed.

Sometimes seniors also choose to live in an apartment in an assisted living facility. There they can be provided the same help with daily activities as dressing, bathing, toileting, medications and more. But this is often accomplished by the need to follow strict daily schedules, and an independent-minded senior might have difficulty conforming to these routines. Also, personal extra care needed is often charged to the patient on an hourly basis, in addition to the monthly fees.

The main difference between assisted living at home and living in a facility is the level of attention. Assisted in home care is more personal, and one-on-one attention can be given for as many hours as needed.

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Here are some tips from Lynn Laboranti, M.S., R.D., professional education specialist for Nature Made vitamins, on how to add vitamin E to your diet:

- **Think green.** Green leafy vegetables like spinach and broccoli are good sources of vitamin E. Wheat germ and vegetable oils are other options. But, in order to reach the Dietary Resource Intake (DRI) of 15 milligrams of vitamin E per day, you'd have to eat about 25 cups of raw spinach or eight tablespoons of vegetable oil.

- **Go nuts.** Not only do nuts provide vitamin E, they also contain protein and fiber to help you feel full, which may reduce your chances of overeating. Since nuts are high in calories, Laboranti suggests only a handful each day.

- **Supplement city.** When it's difficult to get enough vitamin E from food, Laboranti recommends a vitamin E supplement. Vitamin E is sold alone or it's included

in a multivitamin. Before taking any vitamin or supplement, be sure to review the product label for precautions and dosage information. If you are currently taking any blood-thinning medications, talk to your preferred health care provider before supplementing with vitamin E.

There is a lot of scientific evidence that vitamin E is safe and beneficial:

- **Safety in numbers.** Fourteen leading safety and antioxidant experts reviewed the available scientific literature on vitamin E and concluded it appeared safe for most people to take up to 1,000 IU daily. The scientists' findings were published in *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*.

- **Seeing is believing.** New research indicates that taking vitamin E promotes eye health and can help reduce the risk of developing age-related conditions.

- **The heart of the matter.** The Women's Health Study (WHS), the largest, long-term, randomized vitamin E trial ever conducted, revealed vitamin E significantly reduced the risk of death from major cardiovascular events (e.g., heart attack or stroke) by 24 percent. A 10-year study of nearly 40,000 healthy women, WHS also showed that for women age 65+, vitamin E's effect was even greater: a 49 percent decrease in the risk of cardiovascular death and a 34 percent reduction in heart attacks. The researchers did conclude, however, that there was no reduction in actual major cardiovascular events like heart attacks or strokes.

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