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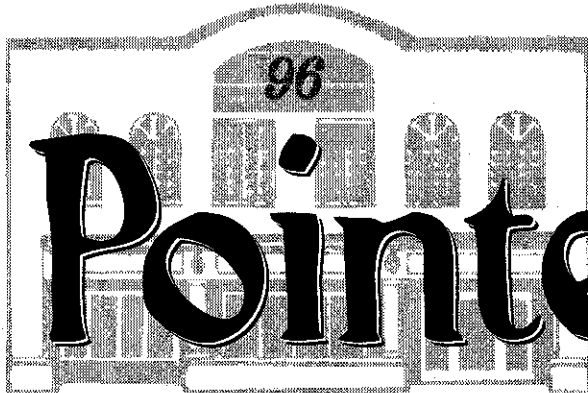
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**THURSDAY, JUNE 22**

◆ Board of education candidates will be interviewed at 389 St. Clair, beginning at 3 p.m.  
◆ The Paul Keller Orchestra appears at the 2006 St. John Hospital and Medical Center Music on The Plaza concert series beginning at 7 p.m. The concerts are free and take place on the Festival Plaza at Kercheval and St. Clair in The Village.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 23**

◆ The third annual Jazzin' on Jefferson concert series is from 4 to 10:30 p.m. today and from noon to 10:30 p.m., June 24, on East Jefferson between Chalmers and Alter. There are three stages for jazz and blues performances. Local and ethnic cuisine, and activities for children are also included. The concerts are free. For more information, call (313) 331-7939.

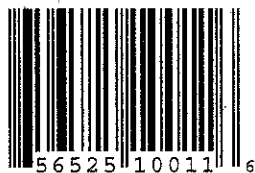
**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

◆ 15th annual Summer Garden Tour 2006 takes place today and tomorrow, Sunday, June 25. Tickets are \$12 in advance by calling (313) 881-7511, ext. 206. The day of the event, tickets are \$15 and available at any garden location. Tickets can be used for both days.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

◆ The Grosse Pointe Theatre host its second A Theatrical Affair from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms  
◆ The fourth annual Eastside Republican Club Picnic takes place from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Patterson Park in Grosse Pointe Park. The event includes food, beverages and games. All are welcome, regardless of political affiliation. For more information, call (313) 886-3785.  
◆ St. Paul Catholic Church, in conjunction with the St. Paul Knights of Columbus Chapter, holds a Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Canfield Center of St. Paul School. Walk in at your convenience.  
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods July 4th Fireworks at Parcels field. See WEEK AHEAD, page 2A

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## A walk in park for dogs

### Council gives approval for temporary pooch area

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The dogs officially have the floor.

Grosse Pointe Woods added its name to the list of cities that has an official dog park after the city council unanimously approved a one-year trial basis at Lake Front Park adjacent to

the Ford Estate.

"There a lot of things to consider, but I think our recreation committee and council members have done enough research where I think we can give it a go on a trial basis," Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said. "We have to get the rules and regulations stabilized and we will see where this goes."

Councilmember Vicki Granger, who chairs the recreation committee, said members spent many hours speaking with dog park representatives coming up with a concrete game plan.

"The dog park reps and the recreation commission did their homework and we proposed this issue should go be-

fore the council and run on a trial basis," Granger said. "The Lake Front Park space is good. We will see what transpires during the next year."

Margaret Potter, a Woods resident, played an integral part in getting the dog park plan in motion a year ago.

Slowly but surely, the plan gained momentum as more

residents jumped on the band wagon.

Dozens of resident in support of the dog park have submitted letters of support to city officials. On the other hand, several residents voiced their displeasure during the council meeting about the dog park

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PHOTO BY JOHN SCHRAGE

Grosse Pointe North coach Frank Sumbera hoists the state Division I baseball championship trophy after the Norsemen beat University of Detroit Jesuit 7-5 in the final game at C.O. Brown Stadium in Battle Creek. Additional stories on page 1C.

## Norsemen take Division I championship

### Blood, sweat and tears of joy

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Michael Kaiser wanted to

make sure he did everything in his power to bring Grosse Pointe North the Division I state baseball championship.

That's why he came to coach Frank Sumbera in the fifth inning of the state title game Saturday against University of

Detroit Jesuit, and volunteered to pitch, even though he had thrown seven innings the day before.

The Cubs were battling back from a 7-1 deficit and North pitcher Brad Herman was struggling with a bloody nose.

"Mike kept coming to me and telling me he felt good, that he was good for three (innings) if I needed him," Sumbera said after the Norsemen held off U-D for a 7-5 victory that capped a remarkable season for North.

The win in the championship game was the 30th in a row for the Norsemen, who finished the season 38-1.

"After the fifth inning, I told (Sumbra) I could go if he

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## Respectful

All the tattered, torn and faded flags collected at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial were retired from service at a flag burning ceremony on June 14, Flag Day. "Let these flags of our country be retired and destroyed with respectful and honorable rites," said War Memorial President Mark Weber. Members of Scout Troop 96 who participated in the War Memorial sponsored event were Tommy Marini, Don Bacon, Roger Klein and Nick Meyer.



PHOTO RENEE LANDUYT

### POINTER OF INTEREST

'The press offers an opportunity to people who have wonderful things to say.'

## Mariela Griffor

Home: Grosse Pointe Park  
Age: 44  
Family: Husband, Edward; daughters, Javiera and Elena.  
Claim to fame: Poet and publisher of Marick Press.  
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Yesterday's headlines

1956

50 years ago this week

♦ SUPERINTENDENT BROWNELL: Dr. Samuel M. Brownell, United States Commissioner of Education and former superintendent of Grosse Pointe Schools was named as superintendent of Detroit schools.  
He will succeed Arthur Dondineau who retires July 1, after 11 years as Detroit's superintendent Friday, June 15.

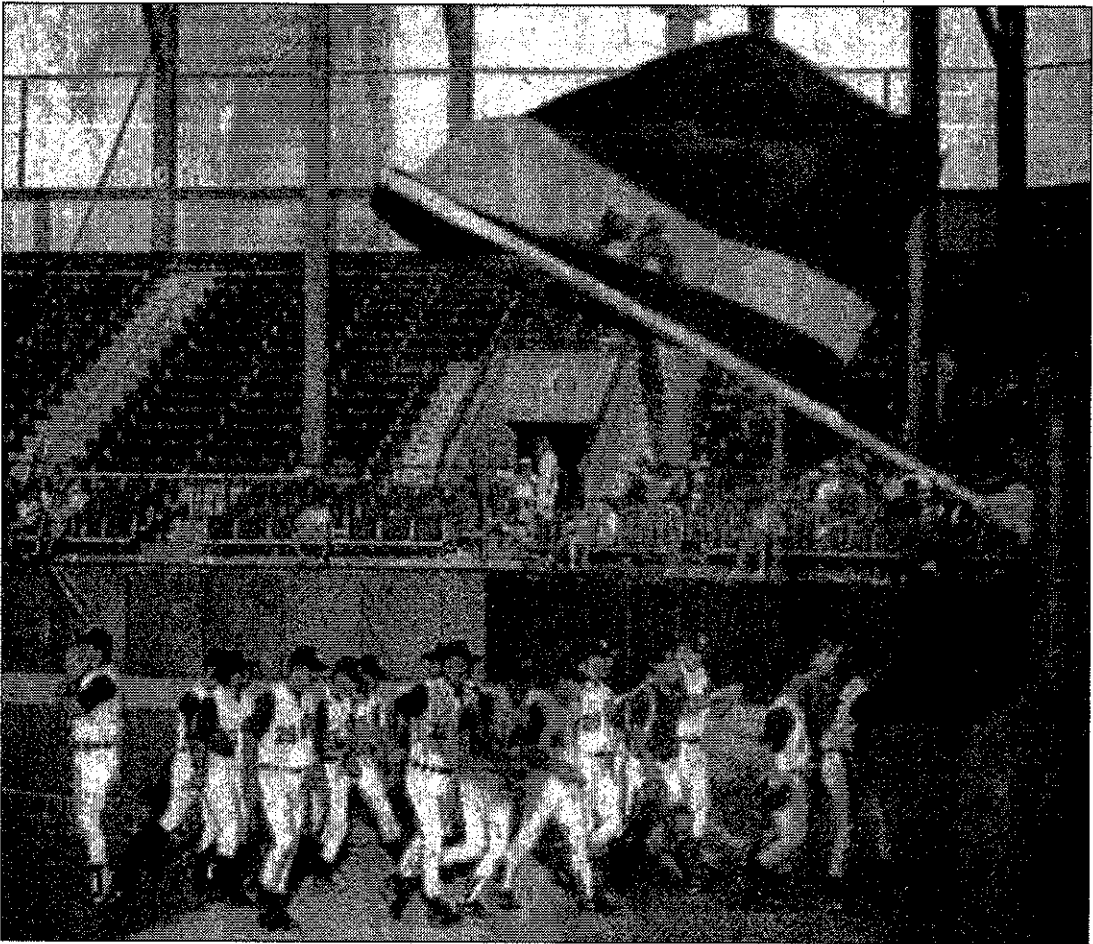
♦ GRADUATION: Diplomas from Grosse Pointe High School went to 375 graduating seniors at the commencement exercises held in the new auditorium-gymnasium last Thursday. This class brings the total number of alumni of Grosse Pointe High School to 8,100. The first class of 24 graduated in June, 1925.  
Diplomas were presented by Dr. James W. Bushong, superintendent of schools, who was assisted by Charles Saltzer.

♦ SPECTATORS INJURED: Several box holders and their guests watching events at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club's annual horse show Friday evening escaped serious injuries when one of the horses competing in the groom's bareback class leaped a four-foot guard rail into the boxes.  
The horse, with rider Jo Ann Wallace, 18, of Northville, was a 17-year-old gelding, "Verity," owned by Irv Goldman of Detroit.

1981

25 years ago this week

♦ HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT: Officials from the Farms, Cottage Hospital and the 81 Investment Company, (proposed builders of a three-story retail-office building planned for the Hill), have all taken a "wait and see" stance concerning a parking deck slated for construction with the office building.  
Cottage Hospital Administrator Ralph Wilgarde confirmed that the hospital is considering building the deck to alleviate parking problems, while also crediting parking spaces to the proposed retail-office building.  
"We've been thinking about building a parking structure to help meet our needs for some time now," said Wilgarde. "We've had a parking problem for at least 10 years. But in order to solve it, we must proceed cautiously.  
"A tremendous amount of planning and approval by various hospital agencies must be met before any construction actually begins. I would say it would be extremely lucky if we were able to start any work by this fall."  
♦ NEW DIRECTOR: Grosse Pointe native Mark Weber, 34, was named new executive director of the War Memorial by unanimous vote of the 15-member board at a special meeting June 19.



1996: South softball

Gregory Piche waves a Grosse Pointe South banner as the Blue Devils' baseball team leaves the field before its state Class A semifinal game with Rochester Adams last Friday in Battle Creek.  
South's softball team, shown here giving encouragement to freshman pitcher Kim Allemon (7), also made it to the semifinals where it played Chippewa Valley. The dream seasons ended with semifinal losses. (From the June 20, 1996, Grosse Pointe News.)

Weber will take over Oct. 1 when John Lake, director for 29 years, steps into retirement. Weber and Lake will work together from Aug. until then.  
Weber grew up on Lakeshore and has been working at Indiana University in Bloomington.  
He received his B.S., M.S. and Ph. D. in Adult Continuing Education at Indiana

University.  
♦ TEEN MURDER: Woods police are trying to discover what events lead to the shooting death of 17-year-old Todd Poole, of West Doyle Court, in the kitchen of a home on Sunningdale early Sunday morning, June 21.  
Poole died after being shot four times with a .38 caliber revolver.

No charges has been filed against a suspect but a large quantity of evidence including a gun, four slugs and spent cartridges were collected and are being analyzed by state police, according to Woods Public Safety Director John Dankel. When the analysis is complete, it will be presented to the Wayne County prosecutor who will decide whether charges

are warranted, Dankel said.

1996

10 years ago this week

♦ PRINCIPAL RESIGNS: Grosse Pointe schools lose Mary Beth Herrmann, who has been principal at Grosse Pointe South High School since September 1994, announced her resignation at the June 13 school board meeting.  
Herrmann will be an assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in Illinois.

2001

5 years ago this week

♦ BASEBALL CHAMPS: There are several ingredients that make a championship baseball team, talent, luck and performance.  
Grosse Pointe South's baseball team had all three this year as it won the Division I baseball championship with a 2-1 victory over Grand Ledge in Saturday's title game in Battle Creek.

♦ INCREASED WATER RATES: The City of Grosse Pointe council approved an increase of the combined water/sewer rates by \$2.05 per 1,000 cubic feet, a result of Detroit's increased charges to the City for sewer processing.  
After approving the increase for 2001, the council approved spending up to \$7,200 for an engineering study to see if it makes sense to separate certain combined sanitary/storm sewer lines to avoid even greater rate increases in the future.

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CHAMPS: Baseball title goes to North

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needed me," Kaiser said. Kaiser, who had pitched North to a 9-3 victory against Bay City Central in the semifinals, could pitch three innings by state rules limiting pitchers to 10 innings at each level of the tournament.  
Kaiser came into the game in the sixth inning and gave up a leadoff single to Aaron Fields and a one-out walk to William Ward but got the next two bat-

ters without incident.  
Kaiser had a 1-2-3 seventh, but needed some help from each of his outfielders. Herman, who moved to right field when Kaiser went to the mound, made a diving catch for the first out.  
Then left fielder Bill Matouk and center fielder Mike D'Agnese each made fine catches on long fly balls that reached the warning track in Battle Creek's C.O. Brown Stadium and North had its first state baseball championship since 1980.  
"You could see that he's their top guy," said U-D coach Albert Fernandez. "He was around the plate with everything."  
The Cubs' strategy earlier in

the game was to take pitches against starter Tom Ziemiecki and Herman, and it paid off with 10 walks, including one intentional pass.  
"We had a little trouble finding the strike zone, and they were patient at the plate," Sumner said.  
North scored all of its runs in the first inning.  
Laurence Briski was hit by a pitch and Herman followed with an RBI single. D'Agnese drove in a run with a double and a second run scored when the Cubs' left fielder bobbled the ball.  
After a groundout, Matt Koppinger walked and Matouk hit an RBI single. A wild pitch moved both runners up and

Matt Lombardi drove them in with a single to center.  
U-D scored a run in the top of the first on a bases-loaded walk. Rob Perry singled home Fields, who had doubled, in the third before Herman relieved Ziemiecki and got an inning-ending double play.  
The Cubs scored an unearned run in the fourth and two unearned runs in the fifth before first baseman Jon Chapel made a nifty pickup of a sharp grounder with the bases loaded to end the inning.  
"We came out aggressive. We made some big plays on defense," Sumner said. "And Kaiser came through again on the mound. That's the way it's been for us all year."

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Rain date is Monday, June 26.  
♦ St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods host a Fireworks Festival from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. on the front lawn of the church. This events will include food, games, a moon-walk and live music prior to the Grosse Pointe Woods fireworks display.  
For information, call (313) 884-4821.  
MONDAY, JUNE 26  
♦ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees holds a public forum at 6:30 p.m. to consider the approval and adoption of the library's operating budget.  
Afterward the board gathers for its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Both take place at the Ewald branch library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.  
Copies of the recommended budget are on file at the Central branch library.  
♦ Grosse Pointe Park holds its city council meeting, starting at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.  
THURSDAY, JUNE 29  
♦ Hali Glessler, founding headmaster of the Friends School in Detroit, is the guest speaker at a Pointes for Peace public forum at 7:30 p.m. at St. Clair of Montefalco Catholic Church 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.  
♦ The Alvin Waddles' Fats Waller Review appears at the 2006 St. John Hospital and Medical Center Music on The Plaza concert series beginning at 7 p.m.



# MSA shows collaborative efforts

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Mike Makowski and James Fowler, Grosse Pointe Woods' director and deputy director of the Department of Public Safety, took notes on how other cities have consolidated programs to save money during last week's Michigan Suburban Alliance Creating Collaborative Communities seminar.

"We're here to listen to the ideas other communities have done to make improvements and save their cities money," Makowski said. "We, here throughout the five Grosse Pointes, have often talked about sharing more services. Changes are made through necessity or driven by economic pressure."

The Grosse Pointes already share a SRT (Special Response Team), a task force to combat crimes such as car thefts and a Joint Arson Investigation Team.

"Many cities are finding that they can save money while preserving or even increasing public services by sharing costs, equipment, knowledge and manpower with other cities," MSA Executive Director Conan Smith said. "Through collaborative partnerships, cities can maximize the efficiency of their limited financial resources and ensure continued services to their residents while building strong relationships with neighboring cities."

George Filenko, chief of police of a collaborative public

safety system in Round Lake Park and Hainesville outside of Chicago, was a guest speaker.

These two communities started the partnership in 1999. The Round Lake Park-Hainesville Police Department has enhanced law enforcement services for both municipalities by consolidating equipment, personnel and budgetary contributions, Filenko said.

The mayors and chiefs of these two separate governmental entities recognized the advantages of shared resources through intragovernmental agreements, which immediately impacted both villages by providing full-time policing for one and enhancing staffing, equipment and finance for the other, Filenko said. These combined resources have impacted crime statistics with both communities showing a steady decline in criminal activity, he added.

"We have two entirely different socioeconomic backgrounds with each community, but our combined efforts to get more policing in the area has made a positive difference," Filenko said.

Another example of how collaboration works is south of the Grosse Pointes.

The police departments of Trenton, Riverview, Flat Rock, Grosse Ile, Rockwood, Brownstown and Gibraltar combined their data systems in 1999, which has made an impact in the apprehension and prosecution of criminals, said Brownstown Deputy Police Chief Jim Sclater.

"We have been able to join all of our computer networks into one," Sclater said. "It saves each city money and all of our departments work closer together, which has helped each police department catch more criminals and put them behind bars."

In Oakland County, SONIC (South Oakland Narcotics Intelligence Consortium) was created in 1998 to help police departments in Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield, Novi and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department more efficiently combat crime.

SONIC is a major crime, surveillance and undercover consortium operated and managed by the Farmington Hills Police Department. The chiefs of the local law enforcement offices recognized that federal, state and county resources could not devote full-time resources to the crime problems affecting the three affluent Oakland County communities, said Farmington Hills Assistant Chief Craig Summers.

Since 2001, SONIC successfully targeted five major drug dealers residing in the three communities. It has also contributed in the arrests of 1,500 individuals, the seizure of 840 pounds of marijuana, 12 kilos of cocaine, 9,835 illegal pills, 194 firearms and \$1.5 million in cash, which is used to help finance the program, Summers said.

"Chief (Jim) Dwyer was instrumental in creating this program," Summers said. "All three chiefs found it necessary to create this program due to



PHOTO BY BOB ST. JOHN

Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Mike Makowski, standing, and Woods Deputy Director James Fowler, background, attended the Michigan Suburban Alliance Police Service Collaboration seminar last week.

budget constraints. SONIC puts 11 undercover officers in these three cities on a continuous basis, which wasn't done prior to its creation. The crime decline statistics have been fantastic."

Adam Rujan, a consultant with Plante Moran, answered questions about the financial ramifications associated with the effects of collaborative efforts.

"Collaborative efforts don't always work," Rujan said. "They are not for every city. Collaborating services does save money, but some communities wouldn't benefit. They are, however, a very good alternative during budget constraints."

Smith gave each audience member a detailed packet about collaborating police services. It reviews planning for

implementation, legal considerations, financial considerations, weighing the pros and cons and barriers to collaboration.

"We (Michigan Suburban Alliance) are here to help communities find ways to better serve their citizens," Smith said. "The Creating Collaborative Communities program is just one example, and it's an effective one."

## PARK: Council is dog friendly

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implementation.

During the June 12 committee-of-the-whole meeting, dog park enthusiasts brought six planned locations to the council — Lake Front Park behind the tennis courts or adjacent to the Ford Estate, Sunningdale Park, Chene-Trombley, south of the public safety scout car garage and Ghesquiere Park.

Other Metro Detroit cities with dog parks are Birmingham (43,560 square feet), Clinton Township (90,000), Grosse Pointe Shores (2,275), Lake Orion (304,920), Northville (30,492), Pleasant Ridge (396,000), Saline

(43,560), Warren (52,500), West Bloomfield (130,680) and Westland (80,000).

Parks and Recreation Department Director Melissa Sharp and members of the Citizens' Recreation Committee have been collecting data, including the city's current liability insurance would cover a dog park.

"I was skeptical at first, but then I went to Mount Clemens' dog park and saw how great it was," councilmember Darryl Spicher said. "People were talking and having a good time. I think this is something we should do to build more community relations."

The start-up cost is still in question, including the price of fencing and installing a water line.

Other statistics the recreation committee members came up with are: up to 25 percent of all households own

dogs; the vast majority of dog park users are between the ages of 40 to 60; 67 percent of dog park users are women; for most dog park users, walking their dog is their sole source of exercise; on average, dog owners spend \$19 per year on Christmas gifts for their dogs; the Michigan Humane Society is the No. 1 adoption agency in the country; Doggy Day Care has increased 100 percent in the past five years; and 50 percent of dog owners describe their dog as a member of the family.

The dog park representatives and Sharp reviewed a list of issues to consider before developing a dog park. They included appropriate site selection, maintenance and health concerns, resident support, traffic, supervision of the park, the role of a dog park, monitoring use, clean-up and risks/benefits.

Studies show the benefits of a dog park are: puppies and adult dogs have a safer place to play and exercise; an enclosed play area prevent off-leash dogs from infringing on the right of other community members and park users, such as joggers, small children and those who may be fearful of dogs; and an exercised dog makes for a better neighbor and are less likely to create a nuisance by barking excessively, destroying property and jumping on passers-by.

Potential risks are noise, dog fights, attacks and injuries, liability, environmental damage, lack of up-keep, lack of supervision, unauthorized use, excessive use leading to maintenance issues, reaction of non-dog owners and fecal matter (disposal, odor, sanitation and health concerns).

Dog park representatives also reviewed other concerns,

such as nesting birds, the need for a double-gated entry with emergency and service access, durable turf with routine mowing, signage, parking, lighting, leash only areas outside the fence, no corners and an area set aside for small dogs.

Rules that will be enforced at the dog park are: dogs must have a current license; off-leash does not mean permission to be out of control; dogs must be accompanied by an adult person at all times, even inside the enclosure; owners must have a leash for each dog; dogs must be on a leash while not inside the dog park area; dogs and owners creating problems will be asked to leave; use at own risk; maximum of two dogs per dog park patron; owners must clean up after their dogs; visual and verbal observation; dog play only (the park is intended for dogs and not as a playground for children); no food



PHOTO BY BOB ST. JOHN

Grosse Pointe Woods to allow dogs to walk in park.

or drink allowed in park area (this includes dog treats); no flex leashes allowed; and pinch collars, shock collars and spike collars are not permitted in the park.

Dogs must also have certification of required vaccinations and only permitted owners and household members of registered dogs may bring their dog. In addition, all park users will have an electronic pass, which they must have to use the facility.



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## Headed to Disney

From May 17 through 20, dreams really did come true on Mack during the inaugural Your Dreams Come True on Mack Avenue sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue, St. John Health System, City of Grosse Pointe Woods and the Grosse Pointe News. The Wednesday night kickoff featured live music from the Grosse Pointe North Jazz Band, a sidewalk sale, food from local restaurants and merchants handing out free samples. There was popcorn, ice cream, cotton candy and hot dogs for everyone. One of the highlights was a drawing contest with the top prize being an original painting by renowned Disney artist, James Coleman, which was won by Emma Zontini. First place in the drawing contest was Alex Poulos, who won a basket full of Disney toys from AAA in Grosse Pointe Woods; second place went to Marisa Atkinson, who won a \$100 savings bond from Flagstar Bank; third place went to Lillianna Kendzerski, who won a DVD collection of Disney films from Moehring Woods Flowers; and fourth place went to Sam Stafford, who won a Disney drawing kit given by Rainy Day Art Supply. The Mack event was capped off with the presentation of a Disney trip, won by Jane Brown of Grosse Pointe Woods. Pictured above, from left, are Lee Meyer, Joyce Paisecki, James Anderson, Keith Schalk, Jane Brown, Jeri Unger, John Vovak, Marsha Woods, Angelo DiClemente and Ken Poulos during the trip presentation to Brown.



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## 4A | NEWS

## POINTER OF INTEREST

**Mariela Griffor's** life journey has taken her to Sweden after she fled the Pinochet regime in her homeland, Chile, and then to Michigan where she is able to freely express herself.

# Writer, activist creates bohemia

By Carrie Cunningham  
Special Writer

If the play and now movie "Rent" had been created in Detroit, then poet, publisher and teacher Mariela Griffor would be the story's ring leader.

"Rent" tells the trajectories of aspiring artists feeling, creating and struggling on the Lower East Side of Manhattan at the end of the 20th century. The characters discover their voices and decipher their personal journeys while simultaneously making them connect to a larger audience. They dig into their souls and impart meaning for humanity.

On Friday, April 28, Griffor organized a cross section of Detroit artists at the Grosse Pointe Artists Association to introduce her new publishing company, Marick Press. The event was called Poet Follies. Like the protagonists in Rent, a singer and several poets performed their artwork with a display of emotion and creativity. They mined personal issues relevant both to the current era and times through the ages.

Poets who performed included Daniel Padilla, Anca Vlasopolous, James Hart, Caroline Maun and Robert Lipton. Maun and Lipton each wrote a book published by Marick Press.

The two new Marick press poets expressed themes related to the self and the intersection of the heart to politics.

In the middle of the evening, Detroit folk singer Andra



PHOTO BY CARRIE CUNNINGHAM

Robert Lipton has just completed a book of poems called "A Complex Bravery" published by Mariela Griffor's new company Marick Press. He read from his book as part of the Poet Follies featured at the Grosse Pointe Artists Association.

Kubat sang about the human condition with original songs.

For Griffor, the establishment of Marick Press is the culmination of a life journey as an activist and writer.

Born in Chile in 1961, she suffered under the dictatorship of Augusto Pinochet who killed and tortured thousands of Chileans and forced millions into exile.

Griffor remembers when the coup by Pinochet took place in the early 1970s; she said she felt immediately that something was wrong. Her grandfather turned books by Pablo Neruda as he was wor-

ried that owning books by the leftist poet would usher in danger to his family, she said. For Griffor as well as for other Chileans, the event was a turning point; she and others were upset and frightened about Pinochet's tyranny.

Griffor began her life as an opponent to Pinochet early in her life as a member of the Leftist Revolutionary Movement. Shortly thereafter, she said, she heard Pinochet-opponent Julio Romero give a speech at a local university and fell in love with him at first sight.

Griffor dated Romero for a

few years and became pregnant. Tragically, he was murdered by the Pinochet regime for his protest against the dictator. Worried that she would be arrested, Griffor fled to Sweden where she met her current husband Edward Griffor. She gave birth to Javiera and had another daughter, Elena, with Griffor.

A native of Grosse Pointe, Edward Griffor persuaded his wife to move. Griffor had started writing poetry in Sweden and said her work blossomed since she has lived in Michigan. Gaining perspective about her life in Chile, she has written enlightening poems about exile, activism and change, all collected in a book called Sunspot.

Griffor said her rebellion in Chile and subsequent exile was painful. In Michigan, she suffered from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Her therapy after years of turmoil helped her.

"The brain knows when there is a secure moment (to heal)," she said. "It was a catharsis."

Once healed, she wrote poems about resilience, saying in a poem dubbed Detroit, "Let a feeling of goodness/ dip the city as if in a storm/ let your dreams flourish and/ endure/ turn the holy fight into salutation!"

Griffor says she started writing poetry from a deep need within.

"You don't choose to write

poetry, it just comes out from you," she said.

An Urban Writer in Residence at Wayne State University from 2003-2004, Griffor said she discovered the significance of breaking down barriers in what she called a very segregated city. Simultaneously, she said she discovered that Detroit creative writers wanted a venue to publish their work. As a result, she created Marick Press.

The publishing company caters mostly to Detroit poets and fiction writers, but also seeks to publish skilled writers nationally.

"The press is really important to me. We don't have ways to express ourselves," she said. "The press offers an opportunity to people who have wonderful things to say."

Griffor said she loves her life in Michigan communing with poets and artists. Her union with her husband, a mathematician, is equally meaningful, she added.

"He is a scientist and he has a lot of humanistic interests. It's a good combination," she said.

Despite the happiness and safety she feels in Michigan, Griffor said she still cares about her homeland. Pinochet's dictatorship ended in 1990, yet he has only been tried for money laundering and not his human rights abuses. This concerns Griffor, yet she said she feels hopeful about a new government led by socialist Michelle Bachelet.

"There is an atmosphere of reconciliation," Griffor said. "She's working hard to unite everybody."

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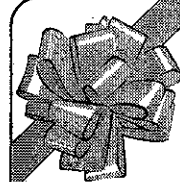
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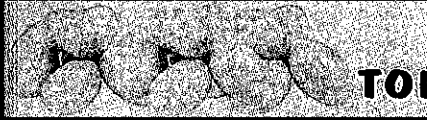


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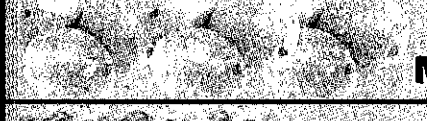
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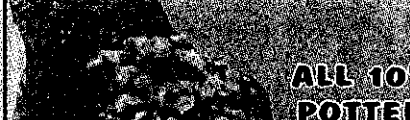
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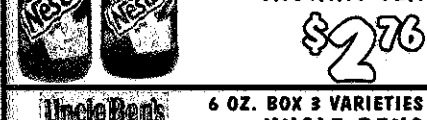
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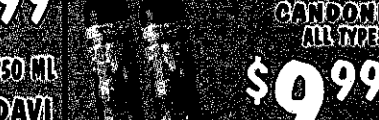
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# Classic cars

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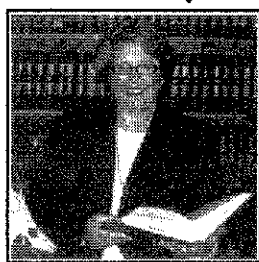


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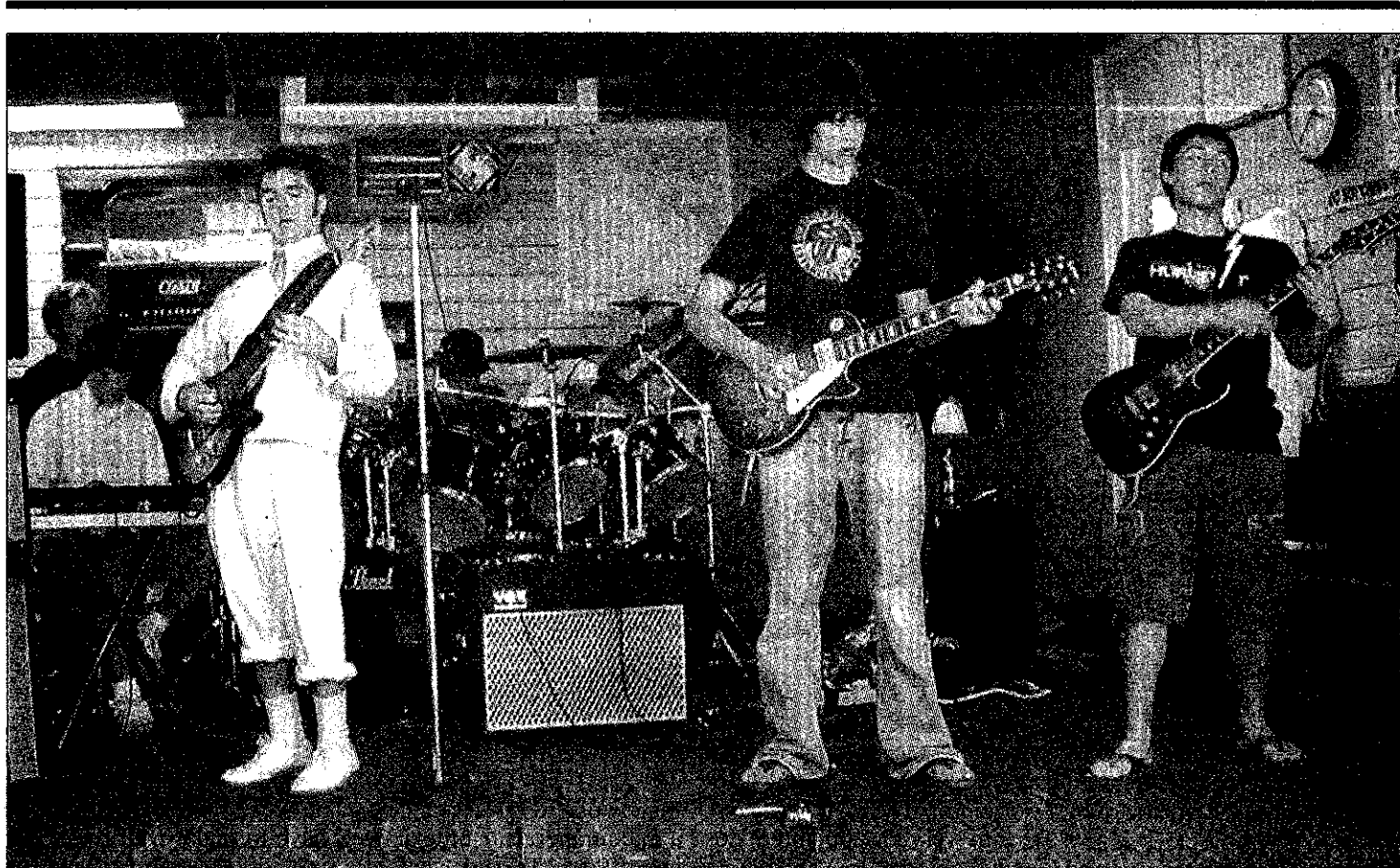


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## Hello summer vacation

A group of Grosse Pointe North students officially celebrated the arrival of summer vacation last week by pulling their bands together and cranking out some rock and roll tunes at the Evola residence. The bands, The Links and Wild Blue Angel, played throughout the afternoon as family and friends relaxed to the sounds. Band members above were Dan Evola (lead guitar), Matt Hamlin (rhythm guitar), David Salazar (guitar), Andy Houwese (base guitar), Ryan Trombley (drums) and Paul Browksi (keyboards). "This is a great way for the kids to celebrate their last day of school," Evola's mother Ronda said. "We had about 60 kids here enjoying themselves, listing to some good music and eating some food. We enjoy doing this for our son and his friends." Evola and his bandmates practice several times a week throughout the year, even during the cold evenings of winter inside the heated garage. Their music taste this day was Pink Floyd. The students/band members get to enjoy the summer months before they head back to North after Labor Day.



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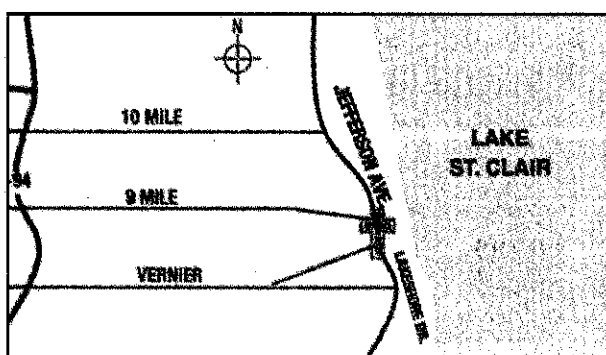
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## The value of fundraising

Renee Nixon, of Grosse Pointe Sales Inc. of Grosse Pointe Park, was a guest appraiser from the American Society of Appraisers during a recent Tea and Appraisal Fair at the Snowbird House to benefit the Franklin Public Library. She is pictured reviewing an item with Library Trustee Lynn Maxwell, left.

### GROSSE POINTE WOODS

## Council wants more information

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The gas station on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods inherited a chemical spill problem that has to be taken care of by state law.

Groundwater and Environmental Services Inc. (GES) was hired by the station owners to clean up the problem, but Woods city council has put a hold on those plans because of a trailer GES needs as a home base doesn't meet city ordinances.

"We need to have more time to look at information concerning this problem, how it should be handled and where the best spot is for the trailer," Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said.

"I'm not comfortable with the trailer being so close to Big Boy and the noise it will make will not be of benefit to our residents," councilmember

Dona DeSantis-Reynolds said. The current plan is to have the eight-foot tall trailer take root next to the Big Boy restaurant. The trailer will, however, be on the gas station's property.

"I'm very disappointed nobody contacted me about this issue," Big Boy owner and Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dan Curis said. "I already had my business interrupted for a year during the Sunrise construction and I don't want to put up with another project like this for five years."

GES representative Jennifer Petoskey said the project could take up to five years, but most likely it would be less.

"The state says the chemical spill has to be cleaned up and we were hired by Michigan Fuels Inc. to get the job done," Petoskey said. "We're here to help your community. We can put the trailer in any spot, but we need it in order to correctly

clean up the problem."

GES is preparing to remove hydrocarbons from the subsurface via a temporary mobile remediation system that will be on-site for approximately one to three years with a maximum onsite time of five years, Petoskey said.

The temporary remediation system will consist of recovery wells to extract hydrocarbon impacted air and groundwater from the subsurface that will be treated and discharged into the combined sewer in accordance with a Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Special Discharge Permit.

In addition, Petoskey said the extracted air will be treated and discharged into the atmosphere in accordance with a MDEQ (Michigan Department of Environmental Quality) Air Quality Division discharge permit.

"The spill has in no way harmed the water residents

drink in Grosse Pointe Woods," Petoskey said.

Woods Building Inspector Gene Tutag told GES the trailer did not meet city codes. However, GES said it would adhere to any changes it will have to make with the trailer in order to comply with city ordinances to get the job done.

This issue will be brought back to the council during the July 10 meeting.

### CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

## Resurfacing starts June 26

Fisher road resurfacing starts Monday.

Construction is expected to last three weeks.

"Most of it has to do with curb replacement," said Paul Weitzel, public service director.

Work will then shift to repairing and resurfacing municipal parking lot No. 7 on Fisher between the Farms Market and stores to the north.

A \$25,735 change order approved this week will pay Cadillac Asphalt of Belleville to replace concrete in the park-

ing lot where needed, reconstruct a catch basin and repair the lot base. When that's finished, the entire lot will be paved with one to two inches of asphalt.

"The change order allows the city to achieve better pricing for paving the parking lot by incorporating it into work of the previously approved road contract," said Peter Dame, city manager.

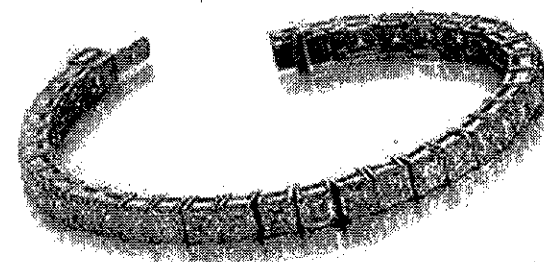
City officials had budgeted \$30,000 for the work.

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### GROSSE POINTE PARK

## Council OKs property sale

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Park's city council agreed to sell the Comcast structure and accompanying parking lot for \$400,000 to Brian MacLean during the June 12 meeting.

MacLean, who owns Excalibur Park Tavern next door to the property, sent the council a similar proposal a little more than one month ago.

Councilmembers responded by publishing a public notice requesting bids for the property.

During that council meeting, city councilmembers disagreed as to what to do with

the property — keep it or sell it.

Councilmember Dan Clark wanted to hold onto it, stuck to his guns, and was the only councilmember to vote no to the property sale at Monday night's meeting.

"We really don't use the property; so why not sell it and use the funds to serve another city function that needs the help," Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Theokas said.

The city bought the property three years ago for \$350,000.

"We can use the money on other projects in the city and MacLean can use the property to help his business," Park

City Manager Dale Krajniak said. "It's a win-win situation for both parties."

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Keep R1-AAA zoning on Ridge

Dr. Richard Baumgarten of Lewiston Road has a problem with a requested lot split and rezoning at Ridge and Moran in Grosse Pointe Farms and a proposed development of five small, three-bedroom homes. (See "The Future of Ridge Road," June 15 Grosse Pointe News.)

The Farms City Council tabled a June 5 request by City of Grosse Pointe designer Robert Wood, on behalf of the owner of 190 Ridge, to allow higher-density housing on Moran at Ridge.

While some on the council seemed favorable to the plan, many residents, including Baumgarten, objected. In tabling the request, the council urged Mr. Wood to meet with neighbors to resolve differences.

The problem with the proposal is that the property in question is zoned R1-AAA, which requires a minimum of 20,000-square-foot lots. The large lot sizes would allow perhaps two houses in the same space on which the petitioner wants to build five.

According to Dr. Baumgarten, similar properties on Ridge, Lothrop, Lewiston and Touraine range from 15,000 to 39,500 square feet, with houses ranging from 3,874 to 5,492 square feet.

In contrast, Mr. Wood's lots would be about 6,000 square feet, and his houses would be about 2,700 square feet.

To be fair, it must be pointed out that Mr. Wood's homes, if approved, would face modest homes on the other side of Moran that sit on 60-foot lots zoned R1. Lots farther down Moran are larger.

Looking at the proposed development from the Moran residents' point of view, Mr. Wood's homes and lot sizes would be compatible with the neighborhood.

However, the city council in the late 1990s made a point of creating the R1-AAA zoning (last modified March 2000) for the expressed purpose of preventing the break up of larger properties, such as the one in question, 190 Ridge, into smaller lots.

Under the R1-AAA zoning, all of 190 Ridge, if the existing home and pool house were torn down, can accommodate four lots. The council earlier approved such a subdivision.

Dr. Baumgarten objects to the proposed smaller homes largely for traffic concerns. He points out, correctly, that Ridge is used as a thoroughfare for workers going to The Hill commercial district. Moran carries traffic from Lakeshore to Mack. He fears high-density residential would require Ridge to be widened at great cost, inconvenience and loss of land to Ridge property owners.

We doubt the traffic impact would be as great as Dr. Baumgarten fears. There would be an additional two to three cars per house, but the three bedroom homes would not accommodate a great number of drivers.

Our objections lie mainly with undoing the council's earlier rezoning efforts. If 190 Ridge is deemed an exception to the large-lot requirements, then what other larger properties in the Farms would qualify? We fear allowing 190 Kercheval a partial rezoning from the R1-AAA designation would set a bad precedent.

Mr. Wood's drawings are beautiful; the small houses are cute, and rear access and no driveways are novel ideas reminiscent of Celebration, Fla., the city Disney built. However, we must resist falling for a pretty facade. We urge the city council to deny the petitioner's request.

VIEWPOINT ON PUBLIC ISSUES

By Michael D. LaFaive

Protecting art from politicians

State Sen. Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak, proposed legislation to impose a 5 percent tax on entertainment-related event tickets and admission fees. It is designed to generate more than \$50 million in tax revenue annually for government arts and culture expenditures. The tax would be placed on a wide array of entertainment options, and the revenue would accrue to a new "entertainment and cultural events fund," the first \$30 million of which would be spent by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

There are at least four shortcomings to the Johnson proposal. First, it is unfair. Far more people prefer baseball to Bach or

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Gated neighborhood store

To the Editor:

Like others, I, too, was so very shocked and saddened to see a store in my lovely city with a gate across the entrance.

Upon checking with the store manager as to why this store considered my neighborhood to have deteriorat-

ed to such a degree as to warrant this gate, he stated "that is how (this store) does business in newly opened stores."

My response to him was I was excited about the new store, but will not patronize this store as long as it considers my neighborhood warrants a gated entrance.

AUDREY LAWRIE  
Grosse Pointe Woods

OFFERING FROM THE LOFT

Don't you love summer?

You're never going to please everyone, but wasn't this past weekend absolutely perfect?

For those who don't like hot temperatures, we have parks around the corner, fans and air conditioning. Lakeshore was jammed with cars, leisurely cruising with the drivers along the lake, watching the glorious colors of the various sails dancing on the water.

Grosse Pointe is its own resort, complete with sporting facilities, day camps, classes at the War

Memorial and the Neighborhood Club and opportunities for wonderful camp experiences offered through several churches and schools. We don't have to travel miles to fulfill our summer dreams.

We are fortunate to have all these choices at our fingertips. A private club is an option for some, but not a necessity to enjoy this community to the fullest. There is so much to do that it is difficult to narrow down the list.

We can even plunk ourselves on a park bench and stare at the water if we

want to live the lazy, hazy days of summer. And what is lovelier than watching the moon rise out of the water and following its path glistening on the surface?

Am I imagining it, or are people planting more flowers this year? Green lawns are punctuated with radiant blooms everywhere and I thank those who have taken the time to show their pride in their cities. All passersby enjoy their bounty. The landscaping in our shopping areas and the flags adorning the street signs all add to the feeling of community and the re-

spect we have for each other and our properties.

There are garden tours, art shows, free concerts and numerous activities in our shopping areas. One can be as busy or relaxed as one chooses. Buy a good book and a hammock and go with your mood, no explanations necessary; it's summer.

Whether you want to learn to sail, fish, take instructions in horseback riding or how to paint a picture of a beautiful landscape, the choices are yours to make. Have a wonderful summer.

GUEST EDITORIAL By Ken MacGregor

Increase funding to help schools

If you have a problem and ignore it, the problem doesn't just go away. The problem Michigan faces today is moving forward with a strategy to rebound our sagging state economy.

Experts universally agree the best way to fix our economic problems is to properly invest in our educational system and create a knowledgeable workforce for the future.

State support for Michigan's public universities has been cut by hundreds of millions of dollars over the past few years, and our K-12 schools are continually forced to make cuts to basic programs, threatening the viability of Michigan's entire K-16 public education system.

Recognizing economic growth and job creation is rooted in educational investment, more than 11,000 people from the state's leading public education organizations rallied at the State Capitol in 2005. Called the K-16 Coalition for Michigan's Future, our purpose was to ask the legislature to do the right thing and provide annual funding increases equal to inflation for Michigan's K-12 public schools, community colleges and universities. The legislature refused to act.

The days of walking out of high school and getting a good

job in Michigan's auto plants are over. Investing in public education now to secure a brighter economic future for Michigan is good public policy.

At a recent CEO forum conducted by the Michigan Manufacturers Association, Phil Power, noted observer of politics, economics and education, pointed out manufacturing CEOs agree the presence of a quality K-16 public education system is the most important factor in the survival of manufacturers in Michigan.

In Power's report, "A Roadmap to Michigan's Future: Meeting the Challenge of a Global Knowledge-Driven Economy," James J. Duderstadt, former president of the University of Michigan, said building Michigan's regional advantage is achieved through "...creating a highly educated and skilled workforce (in) an environment that stimulates creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurial behavior."

Microsoft CEO Bill Gates recently told the National Council of State Legislatures that a vibrant K-16 education system is the key to attracting businesses to a state, and that more education means higher earnings and the creation of more high paying jobs.

Our K-16 proposal is a leg-

islative petition initiative signed by nearly 300,000 Michigan voters to increase education funding, which creates jobs, spurs economic growth and builds a brighter future for our state.

The sad reality is our elected state officials clearly see the problem, are asked by Michigan voters to address the problem and know the action needed for a solution, but are prepared to walk away without taking a vote. The people of Michigan understand that growing Michigan's economy and building a brighter future means serious investment in education. The people's petition deserves more than lip service from the state legislature. It deserves action now.

Michigan's Legislature can maximize its control over the provisions of the K-16 proposal by amending or changing the inflationary funding proposal in any way they wish with a simple majority vote - provided legislators first schedule a vote, and then vote "yes" on the proposal. If the legislature fails to act and the proposal goes to the ballot and approved by the voters in November, it becomes law, and any changes would require a two-thirds vote of the legislature.

The K-16 Coalition for Michigan's Future calls upon

Michigan legislators to do the right thing for our citizens and students. Vote now, up or down, on the people's petition to guarantee at least inflationary increases to help fund local public schools, colleges and universities. Michigan residents of today and tomorrow deserve nothing less.

The people of Michigan deserve a well-educated workforce that is prepared to face tomorrow's challenges and create opportunities for economic growth and prosperity. Employers looking to locate or expand businesses in Michigan deserve to know they have access to a talented labor force that can take their businesses to new heights of success.

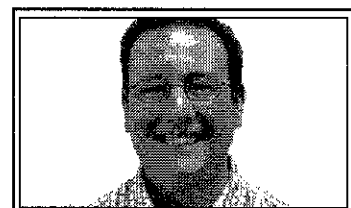
Our state's level of investment in public education is explicitly linked to Michigan's economic growth, prosperity, and ultimate success. Decisions affecting education and economic growth are powerfully important, as they will determine Michigan's economic future. The people of Michigan understand, and so should legislators. Legislators should vote now to approve the K-16 education funding initiative.

Ken MacGregor is spokesperson for K-16 Coalition for Michigan's Future.



I SAY By Bob St. John

# Tigers' success has ball fans 'psyched'



The Detroit Tigers have been a pleasant surprise for fans this season. The Tigers' success is even more magnified since the Red Wings stunk in the National Hockey League Stanley Cup playoffs, losing in the first round to Edmonton, and the Pistons failed to live up to expectations after losing to Miami in the National Basketball Association's Eastern Conference Finals.

With no world champion to celebrate, fans have flocked to the Tigers and piled onto their bandwagon.

The Tigers' average atten-

dance has increased by a few thousand for each home game. Comerica Park was packed the week the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox were in town.

There is even a buzz around town concerning the team's success. That is correct. There is a buzz around town. People are actually mentioning the Tigers in casual conversation.

As of Father's Day (June 18), the Tigers had the best record in Major League Baseball at 45-24. That is a .652 winning percentage.

Not bad for a franchise that has lost more than 100 games three times during the past decade.

Why the turn around from the past couple of seasons?

First-year manager Jim Leyland is a no-nonsense coach. He uses each players' strengths and has put some trust in several young guys

that has helped ignite the flame.

Curtis Granderson, who bats lead-off and plays center-field, is hitting .285. Other stars are playing like the All-Stars they are — right fielder Magglio Ordonez, short stop Carlos Guillen, catcher Ivan Rodriguez, designated hitter Marcus Thames and second baseman Placido Polanco.

Leyland has turned the dugout from a care-free to business atmosphere. He expects the players to take pride in what they do.

Fans didn't see that from the Tigers during this more than decade-long streak of losing seasons.

The defense has been outstanding. The team isn't giving the opposition any cheap runs.

The biggest part of the turnaround is the starting pitching.

Kenny Rogers, who is gunning for his 200th career victory,

has been a stabilizing factor in the rotation. He has a 9-3 record with a 3.25 ERA.

Jeremy Bonderman has been a little inconsistent, but is pitching better in recent weeks, and Nate Robertson has a 7-3 mark with a 3.43 ERA.

Rookies Justin Verlander (8-4 with a 3.21 ERA) and Joel Zumaya (3-0 in relief with a 2.34 ERA and 44 strikeouts in only 34 inning pitched) have also made a huge impact to the team.

Mike Maroth, the soft-throwing lefty, is one of a few negatives. He was pitching great before injuring his elbow. He underwent surgery and will be out until late August.

Todd Jones, who was the Tigers' closer a few years ago, was brought back via free agency to shut the door on the opposition in the ninth inning.

He has 18 saves, but has struggled in recent weeks, blowing several save opportunities, including three in big games against the Yankees, Red Sox and defending world champ Chicago White Sox.

Tigers recently put together another successful streak, winning six of seven games against Toronto, Tampa Bay and the Chicago Cubs.

The talk of the town comes home to face the St. Louis Cardinals and Houston Astros this weekend.

Remember, the Tigers beat the Cardinals and their Hall-of-Fame flame throwing pitcher Bob Gibson in the 1968 World Series in seven games.

The games against the Cardinals and Astros are a part of interleague play, matching the American against the National leagues.

Comerica Park will be packed. Owner Mike Ilitch

must love that. It's about time his Tigers draw as well as his other pro team, the Red Wings.

Can the Tigers keep up this pace? Can they actually win a division title and make the playoffs?

Many sports writers across the nation believe the Tigers can contend for a playoff spot. However, they think the White Sox will win the division crown for a second straight season.

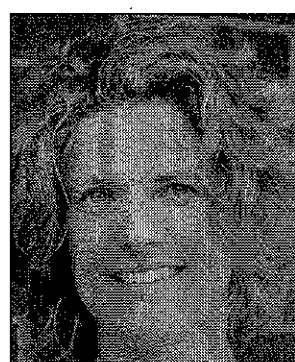
The Tigers will have to fight for a playoff spot with the Yankees, Red Sox, Blue Jays (Toronto) and maybe the Cleveland Indians, who currently sit 11 games behind the Tigers in the standings.

With a bold prediction, the Tigers lose the division title by three games to the White Sox, but win 95 games to capture the Wild Card playoff spot by one game over the Red Sox.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## Do you plan to go on vacation this summer? If so, where and are you driving?

If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI



"Yes, we are driving to Charlevoix and to Glen Arbor up north and also flying to Wisconsin."

Amy VanOsdol  
Grosse Pointe Park



"Yes, we are driving to Charlevoix and to a family reunion in Indiana."

William Jackman  
Grosse Pointe Park



"No, I am not going on vacation this summer."

Holly Huth  
Grosse Pointe Farms



"Yes, we are going to New York and I am not sure yet if we are driving or flying."

Julia Leonov  
City of Grosse Pointe



"Yes, we are going to Charlevoix and we are driving."

Caroline Verbeke  
City of Grosse Pointe



"Yes, we are going to Massachusetts and to Cedar Point and we are driving."

Shannon Pierce  
Detroit

FYI By Ben Burns

# Retiring charismatic pastor keeps on movin'



Bill Yeager is leaving the building. After 3-1/2 years as the interim senior pastor at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, the preacher with the charisma of an evangelical and the religious education of an Ivy League don is retiring again after this Sunday's 8:30 a.m. Lakeside and 10 a.m. sanctuary sermons.

But he won't really retire. He just won't be traveling the country filling in for extended periods whenever a talented senior pastor is needed.

Yeager, a tall man with a shock of white hair and an electric smile that could have given Burt Lancaster preaching fits in "Elmer Gantry," punctuates his sermons with humor, solid Biblical references, and a focused message that will make you think.

In his New York Times review of "A Man for All Seasons," the story of Sir Thomas More, Bosley Crowther called the British religious leader "a man with a sturdy conscience and a steadfast heart." Add to that a joy for living and you get Yeager.

Yeager tells the story about the university alum who returned to his alma mater and thanked the college president for the advice that made him successful in life. The college president neither remembered any advice nor recollected the alum.

"What advice did I give you, he asked?"

The alum answered, "At graduation when I walked across the stage and you handed me my diploma you shook my hand and took me by the elbow and said: 'Keep moving. Keep moving.'"

That proved to be successful for the alum and it has for Yeager, who has been delivering the word as he kept moving since he was a student pastor while at Harvard Divinity School at the Crombie Street

Congregational Church of Salem, Massachusetts.

Since then he has done stints in New Jersey while doing graduate work at Princeton Seminary; North Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri and Minnesota where he will return to and where he and his wife Gail have nine grandchildren to keep them busy.

Yeager spoke in the final meeting of the spring to the Ecumenical Men's Breakfast and titled his remarks "Words to Start Each Day."

The words he chose were the words that pious Jews recite on rising and before retiring: "Hear O Israel. The Lord, Our God is one God and you shall love the Lord with all of your heart and all of your soul and all of your might."

The talk got a standing ovation and Catholics, Presbyterians, Lutherans and Jews lined up to shake Yeager's hand afterward and thank him for his words and his work, truly a man for all seasons.

**Emily's Adventure**

The Habitat Bike Challenge continued to press northwest

across Wisconsin and should be taking a day off today (Thursday) in Minneapolis. So far the 28 riders have ridden more than 1,500 of the 4,000 mile trans-continental route.

In Michigan they were followed by a news chopper as they rode into Ann Arbor, and lost a rider who was severely injured in Kalamazoo where a driver made an improper left turn, Emily Garlough reported.

In Ohio it looked like it was snowing; there was so much cottonwood fluff in the yards and the group showered in a car wash. In Illinois Emily met a giant snapping turtle on the trail. It did what snapping turtles do when she tried to move it to a pond—it tried to bite her.

"We had a much needed rest day in Evanston," Emily reports. She spent the day in a church recuperating from a fever and listening to pre-teens attempting to play "Mary Had a Little Lamb" during piano lessons.

By next Thursday the tour should be at Badlands National Park in South

Dakota.

"We can all tell that we're making some progress because when we tell people what we're doing and where we're going, we're getting less of the 'You're never going to make it' and more of the 'What's wrong with you' look. Someone today even asked us which coast we started on," Emily said.

It is all part of Habitat's biggest fundraiser as three groups that each started with 30 riders cross the nation by bike spreading the word of their home building projects. **Café Nini**

If you haven't tried Edoardo Barbieri's latest restaurant—Café Nini—at 98 Kercheval on the Hill, you should. The fami-

ly also owns Da Edoardo restaurant on Mack in the Woods and two others—in the Fox Theater Building in Detroit and one in Grand Blanc.

The food is in the Barbieri tradition—fresh ingredients, well prepared in a comfortable atmosphere. The Nini in the name is Barbieri daughter, Alicia, who is nicknamed Nini.

The place doesn't take reservations and only seats 38 for dining, but that creates an intimate atmosphere.

The night we stopped by Edoardo Sr. was checking to see if the guests were pleased with their food. They were.

It is a nice addition to quality dining on the Hill with Jumps, The Hill and Lucy's.

## Art: Taxes help?

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prefer watching Detroit's Lions to Puccini's La Boheme. Yet under this proposal, sports fans will, in all likelihood, disproportionately carry the financial burden of new state arts and culture spending.

Second, Michigan's economy is sputtering relative to the rest of the nation. Raising taxes may only make the Great Lakes State's employment problems worse.

Third, the program hurts artists. The arts are too important to depend on politicians for their sustenance. Time

spent by artists writing grant requests is time not spent honing their respective crafts.

Moreover, "With the shekels come the shackles," government may mandate restrictions that limit the artistic license afforded to politically sponsored works.

Fourth, art is a highly subjective enterprise. One person's highpoint of artistic achievement may be deemed a cesspool of silliness by another. But when government intervenes in the market for culture, one person is forced to subsidize the preferences of another.

Consider just one example of state spending on the arts. The state subsidizes the Ann Arbor Film Festival (AAFF) through the Michigan Council for Arts

and Cultural Affairs (MCACA). MCACA's line item in the fiscal 2005 budget was \$11.7 million.

Last year's AAFF event, according to the festival's Web site and related materials, featured, among other works, the "Sex Workers Art Show," which included live performances from people who work in the sex industry, such as "Miss Exotic World 2003 and Diva of Danger Miss Satanica."

Legislators have no business reaching into the pockets of Michigan citizens without first squeezing questionable expenditures from the state budget. Sen. Johnson's proposed legislation reaches deeper and takes more. One possible reason legislators may have approved such arts spending is because they may have been

unaware of its existence. The grant to AAFF is just one of about 300 doled out to arts- and culture-related organizations across the state. The Johnson legislation could expand this tally.

Using tax dollars to fund artistic pursuits is not in the best interest of Michigan citizens. It hurts artists by encouraging them to be wards of a state that may ultimately dictate what type of art they can produce; and it hurts economic growth by redistributing wealth to uses that are probably less productive than others on which the money could be spent.

Michael LaFave is director of the Morey Fiscal Policy Initiative at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

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**DENNIS HYDUK** was appointed vice president/sales manager of First State Bank's mortgage company, First State Bank Mortgage Company. A 30-year veteran, Hyduk will be responsible for leading a team of mortgage consultants, expanding mortgage product options and ensuring the delivery of customer service. Prior to joining First State Bank, Hyduk was vice president/group sales manager in the mortgage area for National City Bank. His career includes positions in both retirement planning services and branch management. In addition to an active profes-

sional schedule, Hyduk is an assistant district governor with the Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club and a member of the Wayne State University Alumni Association. He is also a member of the Beatification Advisory Commission for Grosse Pointe Woods. Hyduk is a Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

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**DEBORAH MANOS, DDS, MS**, was appointed to represent the general public for Gov. Jennifer Granholm's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports. Her term expires April 16, 2008. She succeeds Carleton Valentine whose term expired. Manos is a Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

Mercedes-Benz opens on 9 Mile

Mercedes-Benz of St. Clair Shores will host a grand opening celebration from 6 to 10 p.m. Thursday, June 22. This event will mark the first of its kind for the Prestige Automotive group and Proprietor/President Gregory Jackson. The dealership is located at 20200 9 Mile. This event is black tie (optional) with live musical entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and spirits for guests. There will be guided tours of the dealership by product specialists and an opportunity for guests, while they meet sales representatives, customer service associates and executives from the Mercedes-Benz family, to view the dealership and Mercedes-Benz vehicles. For those waiting for service, the dealership offers a "Business Center" with a wireless cafe for laptops, free faxing and copying stations and an interactive children's area called the "Mercedes Kids Corner."

"We want to be known for service," Jackson said. "We are taking extra special steps to get the best employees for this or-



Gregory Jackson's Mercedes-Benz of St. Clair Shores dealership, above, is located at 20200 9 Mile, between Harper and I-94.

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And there is light

The Light House was welcomed to Grosse Pointe Woods during a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week. Pictured above from left are The Light House President Joyce Garner, Woods Mayor Robert Novitke, and Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Vice President Mike Reno. The Light House, a full-service residential and commercial lighting store is located at 20497 Mack. The business offers indoor and outdoor lighting, ceiling fans, mirrors, vanity sinks, cabinetry, art work, lamps, decorative home accents and ceiling medallions. Garner has more than 18 years of residential and commercial lighting and design experience. She was a featured designer at the Junior League of Detroit Design Show House.



PHOTO BY MARY HUEBNER



Networking

Members of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce enjoyed a Business After Hours networking event hosted by National City Bank Grosse Pointe Branch on May 16. Some of the members who attended were, front row from left, Jennifer Samuilow, Barbara Stefani, Mary Grace Medini and Roz Gietzen; back row from left, Jane Lightfoot, Cindi Perry, Sharon Pine, Kim Youngblood, Mary Ann Lopiccolo and Mary Huebner.

LeVan to speak at Chamber

Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce announces Mike LeVan, Realtor with Adlhoch & Associates, as it's next presenter in the Chamber's Speaker Series at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, at Northern Trust, 131 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. LeVan, the co-chair of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors Government Affairs Committee, will present "Where Does the Money Go? State and County Tax Money Disappears!" There is no charge for the presentation but reservations are preferred by calling the Grosse Pointe Chamber at (313) 881-4722. LeVan is a graduate of University of Michigan and earlier this year was appointed to the Public Policy Committee for the Michigan Association of Realtors and more recently to a special Proposal A task force in Lansing to search for solutions to the "pop-up tax" issue. He also serves as a member of the Grosse Pointe Park City Planning Commission. Information on the pop-up tax will be presented beginning with the history of the Headlee Amendment and how at the time of a home sale the taxable value "pops up" to the State Equalized Value. This often adds 50 to 150 percent to the tax bill.

Chamber hosts meeting

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is holding its Semi-Annual General Membership Meeting from 6 to 9 p.m. July 19 at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, in Grosse Pointe Shores. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. All members are encouraged to submit 250 promotional pieces of corporate literature or business cards that will be bagged and distributed to all attendees upon leaving. The cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. Make checks payable to Grosse Pointe Chamber. For reservations, call Mary Huebner at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce at (313) 881-4722.

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# 10 distinct ways to make customers happy

Customer love is all about R-E-S-P-E-C-T, which means not forcing them to jump through the hoops created by disconnected silos.

Do your customers love you? Not the ho-hum, luke-warm, check-the- "generally-satisfied"-box-on-the-survey kind of love. (That's more in the realm of like . . . sort of.) The kind of love that inspires spontaneous thank-you letters and water cooler comments like "My new computer (or car or insurance policy or gym membership) is great — I highly recommend it!" No? If you suspect your customers aren't feeling the love, Jeanne Bliss, author of *Chief Customer Officer: Getting Past Lip Service to Passionate Action*, says you've got work to do . . . lots of it.

Bliss should know. A former "chief customer zealot" for five market leaders, including Land's End, she excels in helping companies transform their cultures into customer-respecting powerhouses.

The problem with most companies, she says, is they simply aren't structured to act collectively on behalf of customers. People are stuck in their silos making independent decisions, taking isolated actions for the purpose of executing their discipline, achieving good numbers, and earning a good review, she says. And of course the customer experience doesn't happen neatly down each individual silo; she experiences a company horizontally, across the silos.

So how can you make your customers love you? Well, first you have to respect them, said Bliss. Bliss, who offers the following 10 tips for getting started. They're far from easy, she says, but they're absolutely necessary.

1. "Eliminate the customer obstacle course. If you asked customers they would say that

the obstacle course for figuring out who to talk to and how and when to get service is over-complicated, conflicting and just plain out of whack. Customers are forced to figure out organization charts in order to do business. Instead of seamlessly executing a customer interaction of, say placing their first order from start to finish, companies deliver discontinuity in the experience where the organizational breaks exist. Sales sells the product, but operations is not given the specifics of what the customer needs so what is delivered is a little off. Who does the customer call? Sales? Operations? Customer service? It is in these hand-offs that customer failures occur, in this customer Bermuda triangle. Simplify the roadmap for customers."

2. "Stop customer hot potato. He who speaks to the customer first should "own" the customer. There's nothing worse that sends a signal of disrespect faster than an impatient person on the other end of the line trying to pass a customer off to "someone who can better help you with your problem."

3. "Give customers a choice. Do not bind customers into the fake choice of letting them "opt out" of something. Let them know up front that they can decide to get emails, offers, or whatever from you and give them the choice. You may initially build a bigger mailing list by binding customers in with the opt-out policy, but I don't think it's something your mom would teach you about respect."

4. "De-silo your website. Our websites are often the cobbled together parts created separately by each company division. The terminology is different from area to area, as are the menu structures and logic for getting around the

site. What's accessible online is frequently inconsistent, as is the contact information provided. Even appearance may vary as strong silos create their own "look," which extends into their section of the website. Depending on what link is clicked, customers feel like they're entering entirely different companies. Figure out collectively what the message is, what the vitals are that you need from customers, and how you will serve them via your website and work to deliver an on-purpose brand experience. Otherwise you'll continue to deliver the defaulted brand experience that's the amalgamation of the site your customers are traversing right now."

5. "Consolidate phone numbers. Even in this advanced age of telephony, companies still have a labyrinth of numbers customers need to navigate. All of these grew out of the separate operations deciding on their own that they needed a number to "serve" their customers. Get people together to skinny-down this list and let customers know about it. There's no big red button to push to make this happen. It requires the gnarly hard work of collaborating and collective decision making, but get it done already."

6. "Fix (really) the top 10 issues bugging customers. We have created a kind of hysterical customer feedback muscle in the marketplace by over-surveying our customers and asking (ever so thoughtfully) "How can we improve?" Customers have told us what to do and we haven't moved on the information. You can probably recite the biggest issues right now. Do something about them. Customers read the lack of action as lack of caring and certainly lack of respect. We all over-brain what the customer effort should be. Start by striking these top 10 things from

your companywide to-do list.

7. "Help the frontline to listen. The frontline has been programmed to get a certain output. Sometimes this means closing the call within a time frame; often it includes some kind of up-sell or cross-sell goal. It may be to meet with a quota of customers in a certain time period. Because we've programmed the frontline, there's a predetermined flow of the conversation that makes it one-sided to the company's advantage. Yet, this is what we've done. We've robotized our frontline to the customer all over the world. Let them be human, give them the skills for listening and understanding and help the frontline deliver to the customers based on their needs. Talk about respect. It is not a myth that if you can solve a customer problem successfully you have built a more profitable customer. Crunch those numbers — maybe it will help you to make your case for the resources, investment, and commitment required."

8. "Deliver what you promise. There is a growing case of corporate memory loss that annoys and aggravates customers every day. A customer calls in a product return and is promised a mailing label that never arrives. An appointment is made for home repair and the workman shows up without the right parts. A promise is made for exceptional extended warranty service, yet the process is sloppy and unwieldy. The customer has to strong-arm his/her way through the corporate maze just to get basic things accomplished. They're exhausted from the wrestling match, they're annoyed, and they're telling everyone they know. And, oh, by the way, when they get the chance, they're walking."

9. "When you make a mistake — right the wrong. If

you've got egg on your face, for whatever the reason, admit it. Then right the wrong. There's nothing more grossly frustrating to customers than a company that does something wrong then is either clueless about what they did or won't admit that they faltered."

10. "Work to believe. Very little shreds of respect remain, if any, after we've put customers through the third degree that many experience when they encounter a glitch in our products and services and actually need to return a product, put in a claim, or use the warranty service. As tempting as it is to debate customers to uphold a policy to the letter of the law, suspend the cynicism and work to believe your customers. Most are going to honestly relay what is happening to them with your product or

service. And because of all the "ifs, ands, and buts" in our policies, we've conditioned customers to come in with their dukes up when they have a problem. With good reason. We've programmed our frontline to be cynical of customers through the creation of policies that protect the corporation from the lack of judgment of the minority. Work to eliminate the question of doubt about your customers' integrity. It will do wonders for the attitude and actions that your frontline brings to their interactions with customers."

Here's the bottom line, says Bliss, "Companies need to rearrange ourselves to please our customers rather than forcing customers to navigate our organizational chart.

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"Dr. Aref is the best," Ken says. "I can't say enough about him. He sits you down, looks you straight in the eye and tells you the facts. He tells you face to face and makes sure you understand your treatment options."

For Ken, treatment started with surgical removal of the prostate followed by six weeks of advanced radiation therapy. After meeting with Dr. Aref for the first time, Ken and his wife, Patricia, knew they were in the right place. That was important since Ken was concerned about getting radiation therapy.

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He continued to work full days while undergoing radiation therapy — stopping by the Van Elslander Cancer Center each morning for a 20-minute radiation treatment on the way to work. The result: Today Ken is healthy and the cancer is gone.

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## Scholar remembers influential teacher

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff Writer

Al Silverston packed up his briefcase and looked around his second-floor Parcels Middle School classroom one more time.

Had he forgotten anything? Did he hear the laughter of hundreds of math students he had taught since coming to Parcels in 1969?

"If we don't laugh once during a class, something is wrong," he said of the 37 years he has spent at Parcels.

Final grades have been turned in, the boards have been cleaned for the last time and he has cleaned out his desk. Yet, there is still one more teacher-type function he must attend prior to his retiring as a math instructor and mentor, and a prestigious one at that.

Silverston will attend the 2006 Presidential Scholarship Program's Teacher Recognition Award ceremony in late June, having been nominated by North 2006 grad Ruvani Fonseka. As one of her functions as a Presidential Scholar honoree, Fonseka was to choose her most influential teacher.

"This came from the clear blue sky. I haven't seen her in three years. I wrote a recommendation for her and she called to ask if it was okay if she nominated me as a memorable teacher," he said, with surprise and pleasure in his voice. His immediate response



Ruvani Fonseka one of 141 Presidential Scholars. She will be recognized in Washington, D.C. in late June.

to her request was, "I'd be happy if you just told me."

Fonseka explained her reason for nominating Silverston.

"He taught me to enjoy math and competition."

As a sixth-grader, she joined his MATHCOUNTS team and was a seventh-grader in a class of mostly eighth-graders.

"He explains things at the beginning of the class and won't give up until we understood," she said.

In the after-school math club, Fonseka said, Silverston let the students teach each oth-

er.

"We learned to understand better," she said. "He is an amazing person. He is a wonderful person. He has been inspirational. He's a perfect teacher."

Parcels principal Mark Mulholland echoed the thoughts.

"He's an excellent teacher. He has a caring nature. He takes the time (because) he wants to make sure his kids learn."

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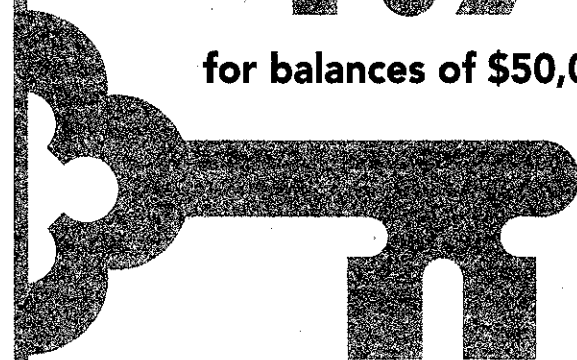
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Parcels Middle School math teacher Al Silverston was nominated for the 2006 Presidential Scholarship Program's Teacher of the Year by 2006 North grad Ruvani Fonseka.

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NORTH AND SOUTH HIGHS

# Chart topping class

Grosse Pointe North and South High School television programs received a number of state honors after months of competition.

Detroit Area Film and Television (DAFT), Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) and the Michigan Skiing and Snowboarding Association were the sponsoring organizations which looked at public service announcements (PSA), news, commercials, documentary and anchors.

On April 30, Grosse Pointe television students attended the DAFT Student Film and Video Festival at the Detroit Institute of Arts Film Theater where students accepted awards for excellence and honor.

An excellence award was given to South's Matthew Naber, P.J. Russ, Matthew Hollerbach and Scott Maxwell for their Pink Floyd music video, skiing commercial and their "Dangers of Alcohol — Positions" PSA. Also awarded an excellence standing were

Andrew Merriam, Cory Dubrish, Shannon Montgomery and Tim Cragg for their "Ystra Agem" music video and Michael Robinson for his "Skiing in Michigan" commercial.

GPN excellence winners were Richard Seleno, Stewie Hang, Charlie Cooper, Mike Rourke and Ryan Scarfone for "Bees, Dominos and Problem Solvers 2."

Andrew Fayad and Charlie Johnston also won an excellence award for a documentary centering around North's new science building and awards for the "Decisions" PSA and the 2005 GPN video yearbook.

Eric Hochhalter and Chris Kmetz also won an excellence award in general entertainment for "Inside the Mind of the Norsemen News."

The Grosse Pointe North TV Production class was awarded for excellence for its daily announcements, "Norsemen News."

South GPS Video club received an honor award for its episode of South Side.

Angela Lee, Deanna Falzone, Jenny Lechy, Brittany Furgal, Jennie Brescoll and Alex Cheolas received an honor for the Valentine's Day. John Okonowski, Brian Cornillie, John Hinz and Billy Schrage also received an honor for the GPN vs. Southeastern boy's basketball district final game.

Anthony Paglino, Billy Schrage and Dino Ruggeri brought home an honor award for "Downside Up."

Schrage, Michael Bramos, Matt Grassley and Tom Ciotti also received an honor for "The Two Minute Drill" video.

At the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association, North TV Production was awarded the top prize of the Spartan Award for its Norsemen News. Individual winners included: Fayad and Johnston second place for DVD Production and Lisa Hamm (South) third place for reporting.

News story honorable mention went to North's Fayad and Johnston.

Robinson received recognition for a commercial, Justin Gowel and Steve Remipski for show opener, Hamm and Tim Smolenski for anchor and GPS Video Club for short film.

In March, South had two commercial projects chosen as a top 10 finalists from more than 200 videos for the Michigan Ski & Ride Video Student Competition sponsored by the Michigan Snow Sports Industries Associations. The objective of the competition was to create a 30 second television commercial showcasing skiing and snowboarding in Michigan. Robinson created a commercial that visually featured the sport of snowboarding. While the group of Russ, Naber, Maxwell and Hollerbach produced a commercial illustrating the attraction of Michigan skiing. Both commercials were displayed at the Ski & Ride Film festival at Crystal Mountain.



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Cottage Auxiliary president Elsie Onychuk, from left, scholarship recipients David VanEgmond, Jennifer Brescoll and Mark DeWitt, auxiliary scholarship chairman Melissa Maghielse.

## Cottage auxiliary gives scholarships

Cottage Hospital Auxiliary awarded three \$2,000 scholarships to area high school students whose essays were selected from a group of 50 submissions during the auxiliary's annual membership luncheon on May 18.

Seniors who are considering a health care career and live in Bon Secours Cottage Health Services primary service area were invited to submit a scholarship application.

They were judged on the essay, extracurricular activities, grades, letters of recommen-

dation and SAT and ACT scores.

The winners were Jennifer Brescoll, Mark DeWitt and David VanEgmond.

Brescoll is a Grosse Pointe North graduate and will attend University of Michigan to become a pediatric psychopharmacologist.

DeWitt is a graduate of DeLaSalle Collegiate High School and will pursue a medical degree at U of M.

VanEgmond, a University of Detroit graduate, will attend University of Notre Dame to

become a health care administrator.

"Members of the scholarship committee were thrilled to see so many impressive applications," said Cottage Auxiliary Scholarship Chairman Melissa Maghielse.

"But very quickly about 11 applicants rose to the top and these three were the cream of the crop. If this group of young adults is in any way representative of the talented minds that will be leading health care in the future, we are truly in good hands."

### TEACHER: Graduate says thanks

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However, he is not turning down a trip to Washington, D.C., as mentor to a presidential scholar June 24-27 where he will attend a reception for parents and teachers, an exhibition of works by the 2006 Presidential Scholars and a teacher recognition dinner. A

Maryland teacher has been chosen as the teacher of the year.

Fonseka, who will attend Harvard in the fall, is one of 141 high school seniors recognized as 2006 Presidential Scholars.

"The 2006 Presidential Scholars embody the academic

excellence and innovative thinking our students need to compete and thrive in college and the workforce," said U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings in a May press release.

Students are selected based on their academic success, artistic excellence, essays, school evaluations and transcripts, as well as evidence of community service, leadership and demonstrated commitment to high ideals.

Fonseka plans to study biochemistry, math and Italian on her way to obtaining a medical degree. She is a member of the National Honor Society, captain of the Science Olympiad, took math at Wayne State and volunteered as a math tutor.

Silverston as an eighth-grade math and honors algebra teacher, had Fonseka in class. He also was her coach for MATHCOUNTS for three years.

She took accelerated algebra I in seventh grade and was an eighth grade honor student. "She's intuitive. She was a quick learner then would turn around and teach someone else," Silverston said. "She always got along with everyone. She has humanity, was honest. She was a humble child but primed and ready to win the

championship. It didn't matter she finished fifth."

While Fonseka was one of his MATHCOUNTS stars, Silverston did well with other students. Since taking on the coaching role in 1983-84, Parcels has earned more than 120 MATHCOUNTS plaques.

After 41 years, Silverston said, it's time to retire.

What made him a successful teacher?

"The first thing was have a rosy outlook and be personable. You must be pleasant and look forward to what you are doing. You must be intelligent enough to hold weight against those kids, getting them to like your presentation. You can't teach just one way (because there are ) six different learning styles. And you must be as patient as Job," he said. "I'm good at figuring out what kids need and how to get it to them. There is a lot more than math being taught. There are learning skills and respect."

It's not all work. After five explanations and scrounging in your mind for a sixth, the students get it. "The rewards are outstanding."

And the reward to end his career was from Fonseka.

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# Author stresses health issue acceptance

By Ann L. Fouty  
Staff Writer

"There's a pep in my step. There's a glide to my stride," said Rob Lyles to 29 University Liggett School lower elementary school students.

His presentation was aimed at helping students understand and be accepting of those who may be suffering from asthma and diabetes.

"I want those kids to empathize, to empower them to overcome adversity, to live a healthy life," he said.

Through his high-energy talk and reading a book he penned under the name G. Robert, he enticed the students to talk about their experiences with these afflictions.

"I have asthma," one girl said. "My sister has asthma," another chimed in.

Asthma and diabetes were part of many students' lives, whether it was they who were afflicted or someone in their family. Lyles knows that educating children early is the key to their understanding and acceptance of health issues and

expressed his pleasure that students were aware of the health issues he was discussing.

This knowledge of health concerns are commonplace today, he said, unlike in his middle school years. Classmates were quick to make fun of him when he was unable to participate in middle school gym classes in Maryland because of his diabetes, he said.

Lyles is the author of three books, each centering around health issues and is considering writing books on cancer, Downs Syndrome, autism, bullying and obesity. His books include "Sillwee Wobbet The Happy Heart Kid," "The Big Game" and "School and Play." The main character Sillwee Wobbet sports a heart-shaped head and stems from Lyles' diagnosis of his own mitral valve prolapse, juvenile diabetes and his nephew's congenital heart condition.

As a former Washington D.C. lawyer and English teacher bounced around the warm room, he urged children to share their knowledge on healthy snacks and lifestyles.

"What can you do to make yourself healthy?" he asked.

From laughing to lifting weights and playing soccer, the children knew how to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Sponsored by the Rotary Club, Lyles said while he spreads his message of loving, caring and sharing and maintaining a healthy lifestyle he is also promoting the Rotary's mission of kindness and understanding.

Teacher Caitlin Talan said this presentation, on the final day of school, was to make students aware of special needs in the community.

"There were a lot of families, siblings or family members with diabetes and asthma," he said.



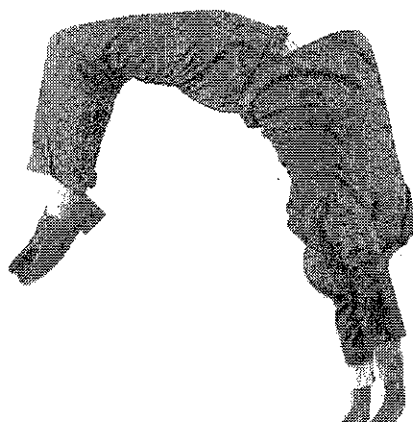
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G. Robert, or Rob Lyles, talked to University Liggett children about acceptance, kindness and understanding of those who may be afflicted with asthma.



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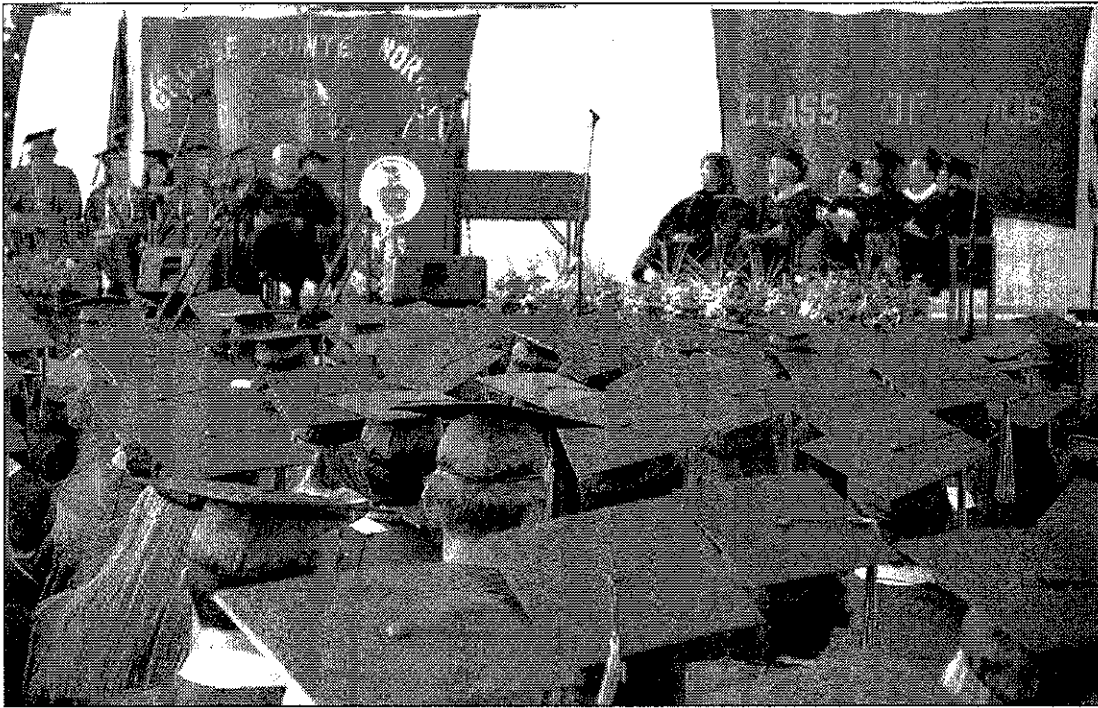
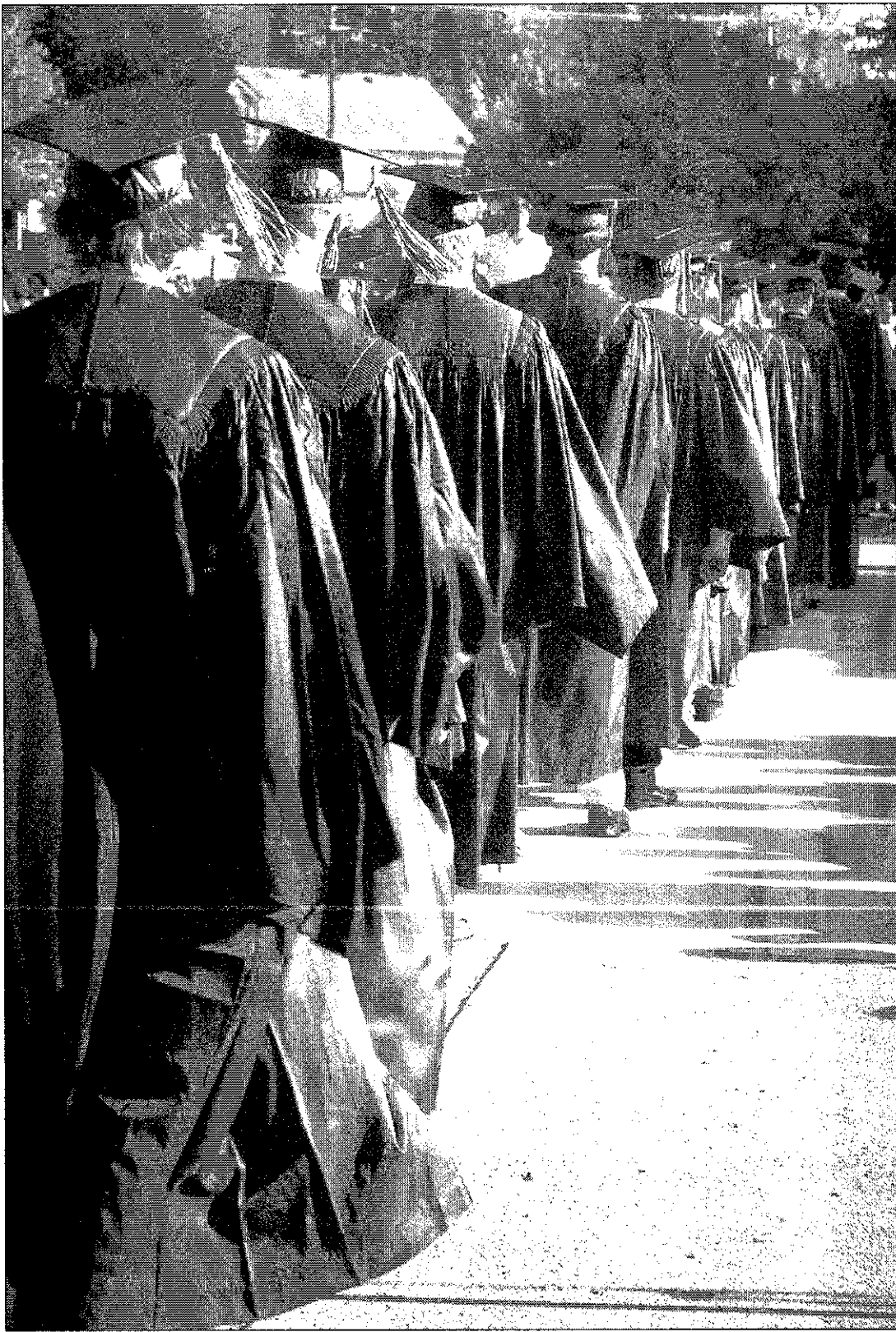
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Above, Grosse Pointe North High School's senior class president, Jennie Brescoll, welcomes her 383 classmates and their guests attending the 2006 commencement held on Wednesday, June 14. More than 90 percent will be attending college and 34 graduates had a grade point average of 4.0 or higher

At left, Grosse Pointe South High Schools Class of 2006 form a sea of blue during the processional starting their commencement held on Thursday, June 15. Ninety percent of the graduates are going to college and 74 percent will be attending four year colleges.

# Comcast scholarships honor high school seniors

Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program awards went to 30 Wayne County high school seniors with grants from The Comcast Foundation. Three Grosse Pointe students were among those recognized and awarded a \$1,000 grant from The Comcast Foundation for their communi-

ty service, leadership skills, positive attitude and academic achievement. Each grant received will be used toward the student's pursuit of higher education. The following students are among the 132 young people from across the state, signifying \$132,000 in Comcast Leaders & Achievers grants for 2006, to be honored this year: Peter Loy, Grosse Pointe Farms, who attends De La Salle Collegiate High School in Warren; Marisa Geis, Grosse Pointe Park, who attends Grosse Pointe South; and Kara Miller, Grosse Pointe Woods, a student at Grosse Pointe North.

"Developing leadership skills at a young age is important for all of our futures," said Greg Dudkin, Michigan regional senior vice president for Comcast. "Comcast is committed to programs that promote and foster tomorrow's leaders of business and community as evidenced by the significant Leaders and Achievers contributions in Michigan and across the country."

In 2006, the program will grant more than \$1 million recognizing more than 1,000 students attending high schools in Comcast communities across the country. Since its inception in 2000, the program has awarded more than \$5 million in scholarships to high school seniors.

"The Comcast Foundation Board wants young people in our communities to know that they have the power to effect positive change, and that we and the community at large value that contribution," said Joseph W. Waz, Jr., president of The Comcast Foundation. "We're proud to continue to expand this program that recognizes the efforts of a growing number of individual students, all of whom are making a difference in their communities." The scholarship program is managed by Scholarship Program Administrators, an independent, not-for-profit organization which manages corporate and corporate foundation scholarship programs.

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# OBITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

## Frank D. Blumenthal

Frank D. Blumenthal, 59, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died on Monday, June 12, 2006, in Richmond, Va.

He was born on Jan. 28, 1947, in Mount Clemens, and was employed as a quality control engineer for Fast Tek.

He is survived by his wife, Joy Blumenthal; daughter, Melissa (Dave) Patangia; son, Geoffrey Blumenthal; sisters, Sandra Vanderpool and Gerry Caughell; and brothers, Arnold and Ronald Blumenthal.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, June 17, at St. Gabriel Episcopal Church in Eastpointe.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charities of one's choice.

## Nino Como

Nino Como, 69, died Saturday, June 17, 2006, at his home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

He was born Aug. 17, 1936, in Weirton, W. Va. He served six years in the National Guard and was a proud member of I.B.E.W. Local 58 for 45 years and served nine years as a business agent and dispatcher. He also served on Local 58's apprenticeship committee for 15 years.

Mr. Como enjoyed all sports, especially hockey and football. He originated Local 58's first hockey team and was a life member of the Grosse Pointe North Boosters Club, where he championed many fundraising and social events.

He is survived by his companion, Lila Clause; children, Colleen (Dan) Myers, Craig (Laurie) and Carrie; and grandchildren, D.J., Krista and Nina.

He was predeceased by his wife, Christine Como.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, June 22, at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 4580 N. Adams Rd., Troy. Entombment will be at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Band of Angels Foundation or the Believe in Miracles Foundation.

Share memories with the family at their online guest book at [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com).

## Charlotte R. Howe

Charlotte Ruth (nee Bull) Howe, 90, of St. Clair Shores, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, died Saturday, June 17, 2006.

Mrs. Howe was born Jan. 12, 1916, in Medina, N.Y. She graduated from Eastern High School in Detroit in January 1934 and from Detroit Business Institute in 1935. She attended Wayne State University from 1936 to 1939 and was a member of Beta Sigma Phi.

She worked as a secretary and billing clerk for Frank Chapman Williams, an industrial designer, from 1939 to 1941. She was also a charter member of St. Michael's

Episcopal Church, where she was a past president of the ECW and a founding member of the Little Thrift Shop, where she volunteered for 47 years.

Mrs. Howe was also a Brownie leader, Girl Scout leader and den mother. She enjoyed caring for her family and was a lifelong volunteer and community servant in both Michigan and at her winter residence in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

She is survived by her daughters, Harriet McGeath Donaldson (Scott) and Helen Finkelmann (John); son, William Howe Jr. (Lorelle); grandchildren, Marshall McGeath (Rhonda), Sarah McGeath Carey (Tom), Charlotte Finkelmann Haack (Matthew), Margaret Finkelmann Peck (Matthew) and John Finkelmann II; and great-grandchildren, Mason McGeath, Matthew McGeath, Emma Carey, Stephen Peck and Jacob Haack.

She was predeceased by her husband, William Augustus Howe and parents, Ruth and Charles Bull.

Visitation will be held Saturday, June 24, at 5 p.m., until the funeral service at 6 p.m. at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. Arrangements by A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Christina J. Martin

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Christina J. Martin, 71, of Lake Suzy, Fla., died on Thursday, June 8, 2006.

She was born in Detroit to the late Janet and the late Alexander Hossack.

Mrs. Martin was a member of the Punta Gorda Tennis Club, Port Charlotte Golf Club and the Elks. She was active in the community working as a hospital volunteer and participating with a local radio station raising money for The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Her interests included playing tennis and golf.

She is survived by her sons, Franz (LeighAnne) and Alexander (Kristi) Martin; daughter, Christina (Dale) Pearson; grandchildren, Jared Pearson, and Emma, Herbert and Clarie Martin; and sister, Janet (Ted) Hoffman.

She was predeceased by her husband, Herbert Martin; and brother, Alexander (Pat) Hossack.

A private memorial service was held. Interment will be at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East in Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, Tx 75265-0309 or [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org).

## Doloris Baker Rinke

Doloris Baker Rinke, 77, of Grosse Pointe Shores, died on Sunday, June 18, 2006.

She was born on May 25, 1929, in Detroit, to the late John and the late Hazel

Baker. She graduated from Dominican High School and attended Barry College in Miami Shores, Fla. In 1952, she married Roger J. Rinke at St. Paul Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mr. and Mrs. Rinke enjoyed traveling the world, and entertaining others. They relished spending time with family and friends. Mrs. Rinke was devoted to her six grandchildren who referred to her as Grandee.

She is survived by her daughters, Susan Marie, Laura (Thomas) Madison, Lisa (John) Enmark and Pamela (H. David) Drettmann; grandchildren, Taylor Enmark (Steven) Jackson, Anne Marie Madison, Joseph M. Madison, Ross M. Enmark, Catharine and Jennifer Drettmann; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Roger J. Rinke; sister, Joelyn Schroeder; and brother, William F. Baker.

Upon her husband's death, Mrs. Rinke established The Roger J. Rinke Memorial Tree of Life which provides aid and support in the neonatal facility at St. John Hospital in Detroit. Memorial contributions may be made to the above c/o St. John Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48267-3271.

## Audrey M. Seiloff

Audrey Marilyn Seiloff, 83, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died Tuesday, June 13, 2006, at St. John Hospital after her battle with cancer.

She was born on Sept. 22, 1922, in Detroit to the late Walter and Aurelia Brey. Mrs. Seiloff graduated from Denby High School. She briefly worked as a court stenographer in Detroit. She married Ralph J. Seiloff on July 10, 1948. At age 65, she went to work for the Detroit Convention Bureau where she worked for at least 10 years. From 1996 to 2002, she sewed American Girl doll clothes that she sold at craft shows.

Mrs. Seiloff enjoyed playing bridge with her friends. She was also an avid reader and liked crossword puzzles, sewing and knitting. She was a considerate, selfless and devoted mother and actively participated in all of her children and grandchildren's lives. She enjoyed attending their sports events, concerts and plays.

Mrs. Seiloff is survived by her husband, Ralph Seiloff; daughter, Janet Carson; sons, Jay and Tom Seiloff; son-in-law, Brian Carson; daughter-in-law, Marsha Seiloff; grandchildren, Stephen Carson (an upcoming senior at University Liggett School), Kristen and Madison Seiloff (Georgia residents), Kimberly Johnson and Karen Keenan (California residents); and great-grandson, Alex Johnson (a California resident).

A memorial service was held on Saturday, June 17, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, followed by interment at the memorial garden. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.



Nino Como



Charlotte R. Howe



Christina J. Martin

## Theresa Wheatley

Theresa Wheatley, 77, died Thursday, June 15, 2006, at her home in Grosse Pointe Park.

She was born on Feb. 2, 1929, in Detroit to the late Beshara J. and Katherine Mabarak.

Mrs. Wheatley attended St. Clare of Montefalco Elementary and Junior High schools and graduated from St. Ambrose High School in 1947. She attended the University of Detroit for two years.

Mrs. Wheatley was a member of the Renew group and taught religious education classes at St. Clare. She volunteered at Bon Secours Hospital, served as a Cub Scout den mother, took computer classes and participated in the Picture Lady program at Maire Elementary School which educated children in the fine arts.

Mrs. Wheatley participated in book clubs and was an avid reader. She enjoyed discussing books with family and friends and believed education was the railroad to success. She never stopped learning. Along with reading, Mrs. Wheatley enjoyed walking around her community and spending time in the Village and the local parks. She cherished the close relationship she had with her family and maintained this connection through daily e-mails and monthly postcards.



Doloris Baker Rinke



Theresa Wheatley

She is survived by her husband, F. Harry; sons, Ford, Thomas (Theresa) and Mark (Lana); daughters, Monica (Robert) Mier and Wendy (Peter) Elam; seven grandchildren; and siblings, Paul, Anthony, Janet Shatusky, James, Helen, June, Charles and Robert. Mrs. Wheatley is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her siblings, Phillip, Nora, Rev. John, O.S.A., Edward and Michael.

A memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday,

June 30, at St. Clare of Montefalco Church, 1401 Whittier Rd., Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions in Mrs. Wheatley's name may be made to St. Clare of Montefalco Church or to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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A bit smaller than the Taurus it replaces, the midsize Fusion

shares mechanicals with Mazda6, yet sits two inches longer in the wheelbase and is an inch wider than the Mazda. Its siblings are Lincoln Zephyr and Mercury Milan, so Fusion is in good company at a reduced price.

Thankfully, Ford engineers didn't move too quickly from design to showroom for the sake of releasing a "new" model. Fusion stylists and engineers worked in tandem on the effort, and together will attempt to regain the glory years (1992-96)

when its Taurus was the best-selling car in America.

Ford's dealer network is happy, too. Fusion is way better looking than Taurus, and comes in a variety of decor aimed at an economically diverse demographic. The exterior style is elegant and speaks for itself when parked next to competitors. Best of all, Fusion produces impressive highway fuel mileage numbers, up to 29 miles per gallon with a V6 to a very impressive 32 with the 4-cylinder.

Fusion's interior is also well done. The seats are firm yet comfortable, and rear passengers will find acceptable accommodations when it comes to leg and headroom. We also like the dashboard for its gauge simplicity and placement of controls and stereo appointments.

Fusion comes standard in front-drive, 4-door format. Two engines are available via a peppery 2.3-liter, inline 4-cylinder that develops 160-horsepower and the aforementioned V6 that pumps out 221-horses and 205 lb. ft. of torque.

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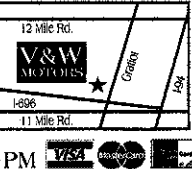
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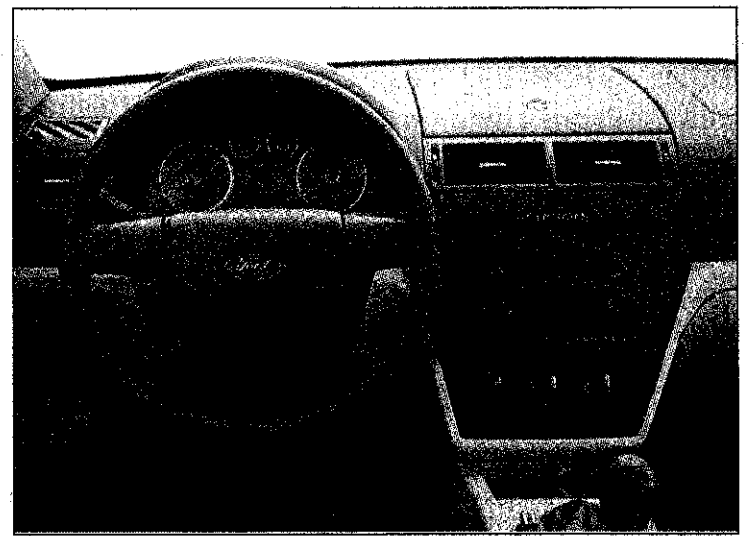
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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# Marasco to be hit if he welshed

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Defense attorneys are making sport of testimony by confessed hit man Andre Lamar Williams.

"We've not only hit singles, we've hit doubles and runs batted in," said Philip Thomas, a lawyer attacking Williams' account of why he killed a woman last summer in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Thomas has spent the better part of five days cross examining Williams in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Thomas' method is to root out inconsistencies in the murderer's statements to police and prosecutors, thereby causing jurors to doubt his story.

"But you're not going to get him to say he lied," Thomas added. "It's not in his makeup. This guy is a sociopath."

Williams, 37, is testifying for the prosecution that he killed 57-year-old Barbara Ann Iske on June 14, 2005 under orders filtered down from City resident Joseph Michael Marasco, Thomas' client.

Thomas contends Williams' confession and recent religious inspiration for doing so are smokescreens to hide from consequences of what really happened the day City police tended Iske's body outside Marasco's house and logged the community's first homicide in 60 years.

Thomas said Marasco never ordered a hit nor hired a murderer.

Rather, Thomas dissected statements by Williams and fellow ex-convict Derrick Anthony Thompson, 47, to show that the pair of former prison pals from Detroit were trying to extort about \$24,000 from Marasco, a heroine addict and lone son of a wealthy and wheelchair-bound widow with whom he lived and helped care for at 21 Dodge Place.

### Marasco targeted

Williams testified that Thompson drove him to the Marasco house June 14 to ambush Iske, who Marasco reportedly wanted dead because she was preventing him full access to his mother's multi-million dollar fortune.

Thomas countered that Williams and Thompson weren't out to kill anybody, but wanted to scare Marasco into paying money. When Iske showed up for work as Mrs. Marasco's bookkeeper, things went wrong.

"This was not a planned murder," said Thomas. "It all came out during testimony."

During repeated sessions on the witness stand before Circuit Judge Gregory D. Bill, Williams said that prior to arriving at Marasco's house on the morning of the murder, Thompson told him Marasco's mother would be alone in a room at the back of the house.

"They were going to victimize that woman," Thomas said of Williams and Thompson. "Andre might have knocked her around a little. They wanted to send a message to Joe."

Thomas linked Thompson's tip about Mrs. Marasco to comments Thompson made Nov. 16, 2005 upon being arrested and interrogated by Detroit homicide detectives.

In a signed statement to detectives, Thompson admitted driving Williams to Dodge Place, yet denied knowledge of a hit.

"They was talking about a kidnapping was going down," according to the statement.

Thompson told Detroit police about hearing a "boom" shortly after Williams exited the car parked in front of the Marasco house.

"I assumed that it was Joe that got shot," Thompson said. "I thought D (Thompson's nickname for Andre Williams) shot him."

Thomas pointed out numerous inconsistencies in Williams' testimony. Williams said he was paid \$3,400 cash for killing Iske, then revised the figure to \$3,300. He then said he was promised \$5,000.

"The amount of money was-

n't really important to me," Williams said in court, explaining that he'd made minor but unintentional mistakes while trying to remember details one year old. "The fact that I received money for what hap-

pened is the truth." Williams said he wasn't paid in advance for the hit because he trusted Thompson, who he'd known for 10 years, to come through with payment after the "job" was finished.

Williams said, "(My) trust factor was based on Derrick Thompson handling Joe; to make sure his man was going to come through." The gunman said Marasco faced consequences if he didn't

"kick down some money." "(Thompson told me) if Joe didn't finish giving him the rest of the money, he would have to come see Joe, meaning he would have to kill Joe," Williams said. "What I just said

is what happened." Williams has spent about half his life confined in jail or on parole. Two years ago he was acquitted in Wayne

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## City of Grosse Pointe

### Bike taken during car break-in

An in-dash radio was removed from a 1996 Chrysler

Concord parked between 6 and 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, behind a store in the 17600 block of Mack in the City of Grosse Pointe. The vehicle belonged to a 19-year-old City man. In addition, the car owner's bicycle, which he said a

friend had ridden to the location and parked next to the car, was gone.

### Would-be beer barons nabbed

A 19-year-old male employ-

ee of a store in the 16900 block of Kercheval was arrested last week for stealing \$71.49 worth of beer.

On Thursday, June 15, at 9:10 p.m., a plain clothes City of Grosse Pointe officer saw the man loading boxes into a

silver Dodge Intrepid parked behind the store.

"I stole some beer," the suspect admitted. Police recovered one 30-pack of beer, one 24-pack and four 12-packs.

Officers said the man possessed a pipe with suspected marijuana residue. Raleigh the police dog sniffed out a small bag containing suspected marijuana seeds in the man's car.

In another instance shortly before 11 a.m. Monday, June 12, an unknown man was seen

stealing four cases of beer from a store in the 17100 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

A witness said the man entered a silver Ford and drove east.

—Brad Lindberg

## Grosse Pointe Farms

### Drunken driver has 35-inch sword

On Sunday, June 18, at 12:34

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## HIT: Gunman out for justice

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County for murder, a fact jurors aren't allowed to know because the judge said it has no legal bearing in the Iske case. Williams was on parole for armed robbery when he shot Iske.

### Right vs. wrong

Despite his violent and criminal history, Williams said taking a life hit him hard.

"I realized it was time for me to get right with God," he said. "A lot of things were going wrong. Inside of me was falling to pieces."

If his conscious bothered him so much, why didn't he surrender to police during the six months following the crime, Thomas asked.

"It was a battle between right and wrong," Williams answered. "I was hoping it would go away without me having to stand up."

Williams was arrested Nov. 16, 2005 while making a routine monthly visit to his parole officer. Williams was held at City jail while an investigation began into his possible parole violation. He wasn't arrested or held for murder, although he was a suspect.

Despite feelings of guilt, Williams didn't confess until spending six days in the City's small, solitary jail cell with no clock, no window, no privacy, no washing facilities, no exercise area, no television and no fellow prisoners to talk to.

On the second day of confinement, he asked for a Bible. Soon thereafter he asked to be transferred to a state corrections facility, where amenities abound compared to the City's stark lockup.

Williams ultimately confessed and received a plea agreement. Terms included pleading guilty to second-degree murder and a sentence of 22 to 32 years in prison in exchange for testifying for the prosecution.

If Williams had been convicted of first-degree murder, he would have served mandatory life in prison without parole.

Williams said he confessed before being offered the deal.

Thomas, a former Wayne County prosecuting attorney, said deals are never officially tendered until a confession is received.

"Contrary to what Williams testified to, I'm sure there would have been lengthy conversations with police telling him what evidence they had built up against him," Thomas said. "Williams was in a cook pot for six days. Eventually, he broke. He wanted to get out and go to the department of corrections."

Prosecutors can void Williams' plea agreement unilaterally if not convinced he is testifying honestly.

Williams admitted under cross examination that he is testifying to help the prosecution.

"I want this to come to justice," he said. "I want the truth to be told."

Williams said he accepted the murder assignment "because of the sin in my life. The things the streets teach you is something that's hard to turn away from."

By admitting his guilt and telling the truth, Williams said he's headed for a better life.

"This is my way of standing up for what is right," Williams said. "I pray every day for Miss Iske."

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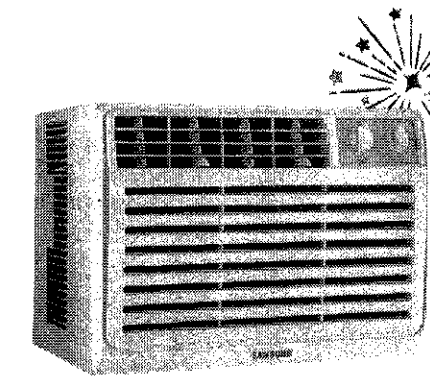
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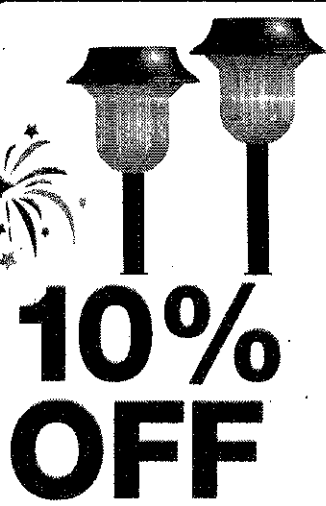
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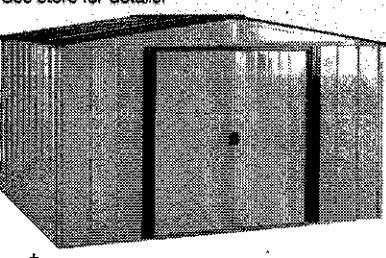


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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# Long murder trial tries jurors' patience

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Jurors in the Marasco murder trial are hoping for a pardon of their own.

With the trial nearly two weeks old but only about half finished, one juror has asked for time off. A second juror wants to be released altogether, and a third just wants to know when it will be over and done.

The juror who asked for time off last week wanted to attend a relative's graduation from the fifth-grade.

"Fifth grade? I didn't even attend my graduation from law school," said one of the defense attorneys in the premeditated homicide cases of Joseph

Michael Marasco of the City of Grosse Pointe, and alleged co-conspirator Derrick Anthony Thompson of Detroit.

The juror's written request was denied by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Gregory D. Bill.

During jury selection, attorneys estimated the trial would last up to two weeks. When court adjourned for the week last Thursday, June 15, testimony and cross examination had consumed seven days and showed no signs of slacking.

Attorneys now expect the trial will take twice as long as originally forecast.

"I was hoping we could be finished the early part of the week of the (June) 26," said Philip Thomas, one of

Marasco's lawyers.

The trials of Marasco and Thompson have been combined. Two separate juries, one for each defendant, are hearing combined testimony.

Last Thursday a man serving on the Thompson jury asked to be excused from the case altogether.

The man, a father of two, wrote the court a letter explaining that his union employment contract required wages to be paid for no more than 10 days of jury duty. The man is about to go without a paycheck.

"It looks like this trial is going to take another 10 days," according to the man's letter, read by Bill.

Bill denied the request, saying a free society derived in

part by a fair criminal justice system obligates members of the public to take part in the system.

"Everyone expects us to make sacrifices to participate," Bill told jurors.

On a few occasions since testimony began June 5, Bill has had to delay the start of court because jurors were tardy.

"All those slight delays add up during a trial," Bill told jurors last week when tardiness prompted another delay. "We're all pieces of a puzzle. If one person is late, it delays it for all of us."

Bill has said many times he prefers to give lawyers latitude to make their cases and cross examine witnesses free of undue direction from the bench.

"I'm deferring to your professionalism," Bill told attorneys on both sides of the case.

When a member of the defense team was late returning from a break Thursday morning, Bill announced a change in policy.

"I'll use any tool available to me to move this trial along," he said. "You've all been put on notice. But there can be no rush to judgment. The consequences are too serious."

Marasco faces mandatory life in prison if convicted of hiring Thompson to help conduct the June 14, 2005 murder of Barbara Ann Iske, 57, of Sterling Heights. Iske was shot by confessed gunman Andre Lamar Williams, 37, as she arrived for work as a bookkeeper

at the Marasco home in the City.

Williams said Thompson drove him to the murder scene and provided the murder weapon, a silver-colored revolver.

Prosecutors alleged Marasco wanted Iske dead because she was interfering with his access to the family estate.

## SAFETY: All the crime fit to print

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a.m., a 23-year-old City of Grosse Pointe man was cited for drunken driving in Grosse Pointe Farms.

During an investigation on Kercheval near Stephens, the man told police he'd consumed "a couple beers at a graduation party."

Police said he registered a .187 percent blood alcohol level but wouldn't sign booking documents at headquarters.

Officers searching the man's red 1998 Pontiac Transport found a 35-inch double-edged sword under clothing between the driver and passenger seats. Officers requested a felony warrant for possession of a concealed weapon.

### Home burgled; outside job?

Sometime between Thursday, June 15 and Saturday, June 17, unknown burglars cleaned out the jewelry box of a woman living in the 300 block of McKinley in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The resident reported approximately \$1,000 worth of jewelry was taken out of a jewelry box visible from a window.

The woman said contractors had been working outside the house on June 15.

"(There were) no signs of forced entry," police said.

### Watch and earrings stolen from house

A \$4,000 Rolex watch and diamond earrings of undetermined value were reported taken last week from a house in the 400 block of Lexington in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The homeowner suspected something was wrong upon returning home at about 12:30 p.m. Friday, June 16.

"(The victim) noticed a drawer on the first floor master bedroom was open," police said. "(The victim) said she (had) leaned a piece of exercise equipment against the patio door (and) the equipment was on the floor when she got home."

Police discovered pry marks on the patio door.

### Student has knife for protection

Is that a knife in your pocket or are you happy to see me?

A 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms male high school student was released to his grandmother last week upon being detained for carrying a knife on campus.

School officials said they detected the knife when the student hugged an attendance clerk. The clerk felt a hard object under the student's coat, which lead to a police investigation.

The student said he took the knife, which police described as "large," to school for protection. The student said he'd been threatened by his girlfriend's father.


—Brad Lindberg

### Grosse Pointe Park

#### Bike stolen

On Monday, June 12, between 4:30 and 6 p.m., a woman's 15 speed Fuji mountain bike was stolen from an unlocked garage of a home in

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## CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

# Search starts for young alibi witnesses

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

A Wayne County Circuit Court judge will force a Detroit woman to produce her children as defense witnesses in the City of Grosse Pointe's first murder case since the 1940s.

The woman's 13 and 14-year-old children are expected to shore-up an alibi for a Detroit man on trial for helping

kill a Sterling Heights woman in the City on June 14, 2005.

Derrick Anthony Thompson, 47, of Detroit, and City resident Joseph Michael Marasco, 51, are charged with conspiring in the first-degree murder of Barbara Ann Iske, 57. She was shot to death while arriving for work at the house on Dodge Place where Marasco lived with his elderly mother.

Thompson's attorney,

Antonio Tuddles, has been unable to produce the young witnesses, who he said are being hidden by their mother.

"I did subpoena my alibi witnesses," Tuddles told Circuit Judge Gregory D. Bill. "They still have not shown."

Tuddles wants the mother arrested and forced to reveal her children's whereabouts.

"You're request is granted," Bill said. "Give me the paper-

work. I'll sign it."

Before alibi witnesses can testify in court, their stories need to be validated by police and prosecutors.

"I have attempted to produce (the juvenile witnesses) to the prosecutor," Tuddles told the judge during the seventh day of trial Thursday, June 15. "Because of the relationship between (their mother) and my client, she has decided not to

participate in the judicial system."

Prosecutors allege Marasco wanted Iske dead because she was influencing his mother to reduce his portion of a multi-million dollar will.

Thompson is accused of driving confessed gunman Andre Lamar Williams, 37, of Detroit, to the Marasco home to ambush Iske. Tuddles said Thompson wasn't at the mur-

der scene the day Iske was shot to death.

Williams, who was on parole for armed robbery at the time he shot Iske in the face and back of the neck, avoided first-degree murder charges by confessing to the crime and agreeing to testify for the prosecution. He pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and is serving 22 to 32 years in prison.

## SAFETY: Crime is a sucker's road

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the 1100 block of Devonshire in Grosse Pointe Park.

### Caught

On Monday, June 12, at 8:57 p.m., a Grosse Pointe Park resident reported his bike was stolen from the Middlesex/Avondale area.

Officers located several youths in possession of the bike at Avondale and Phillip. They were detained and processed at the station.

### Cash taken

On Friday, June 16, a purse, cash and credit cards were stolen from a physician's private office in the 15000 block of Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park.

### Schwinn stolen

On Saturday, June 17, between 9 and 9:30 p.m., an unlocked Schwinn bike was stolen from near the front door of a home in the 1000 block of Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park.

### Jeep stolen

On Monday, June 19, between 12:01 and 2:30 a.m., a 2001 Jeep Grand Cherokee was stolen from a municipal lot in the 15000 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Park.

—Bob St. John

### Grosse Pointe Shores

### Drunken driver nails two poles

An 86-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man was arrested for drunken driving when a

Grosse Pointe Shores patrolman saw him drive into traffic and utility poles while turning from southbound Lakeshore to westbound Vernier.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, June 14, at 12:49 a.m. The man registered a .10 percent blood alcohol level. Officers impounded his 1991 Buick LaSabe four-door.

"(He) was very unsteady on his feet and had slurred speech," police said.

—Brad Lindberg

### Grosse Pointe Woods

### Smoking transformers

On Sunday, June 18, at 4:06 p.m., Grosse Pointe Woods police officers were called to a home in the 1100 block of North Renaud after a transformer in the rear yard caught fire.

A nearby secondary wire was also on fire, and another transformer was smoking.

Detroit Edison was called and responded an hour later to fix the problem.

### Bullies

On Saturday, June 17, at 6:10 p.m., several Grosse Pointe Woods boys and girls reported to police that five juvenile boys assaulted them while they were playing at a nearby park and stole one of their bikes.

One of the boys, a 15-year-old Woods resident, was punched in the face and pushed down by one of the suspects.

Police are investigating.

### Bad driver

On Saturday, June 17, at 4:12 p.m., a 38-year-old Detroit man driving a 1997 green Oldsmobile Aurora was pulled over on Chester and Manchester for having an expired license plate tab.

The man only produced a Michigan identification card

and told the officer he didn't know where the proof of insurance or registration were located, as the car belongs to his wife.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check revealed the man's driver license was suspended.

He was arrested and issued citations for driving with a suspended license, having an expired license plate tab and not having proof of insurance.

### Ladder stolen

On Saturday, June 17, at 2:21 p.m., a 63-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman living in the 1400 block of Vernier reported her ladder was stolen sometime between 9:30 p.m. the previous night and 8:30 a.m. that morning.

The woman was painting the shutters on her house and left the ladder in the front of her home. When she went to resume painting, she noticed the ladder was gone.

### Smashed window

On Friday, June 16, at 4:30 p.m., a 25-year-old St. Clair Shores woman reported her car radio was stolen after she started her shift at a business in the 19400 block of Mack at 1 p.m.

A co-worker told the woman the front passenger window of her white 1992 Dodge Shadow was smashed and the radio was gone.

### Items missing

On Friday, June 16, between 11:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., a 32-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man living in the 1900 block of Beaufait had two leaf blowers stolen from his truck parked on Jackson south of Lennon.

### Drunk driver

On Tuesday, June 13, at 10:07 p.m., a 37-year-old New Haven woman was driving in front of a Grosse Pointe Woods

police officer. She came to a stop at the red light on Marter and Vernier.

When the light turned green, it took the woman approximately 15 seconds to turn right onto Vernier. She was also ob-


served swerving between lanes before stopping at the red light on Vernier and Mack.

The woman turned right onto Mack from the left hand lane of Vernier. She was pulled over and the officer could de-

tect a strong odor of intoxicants. The woman was given a Portable Breath Test, which read .25.

She was arrested for drunk driving.

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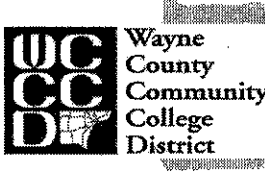


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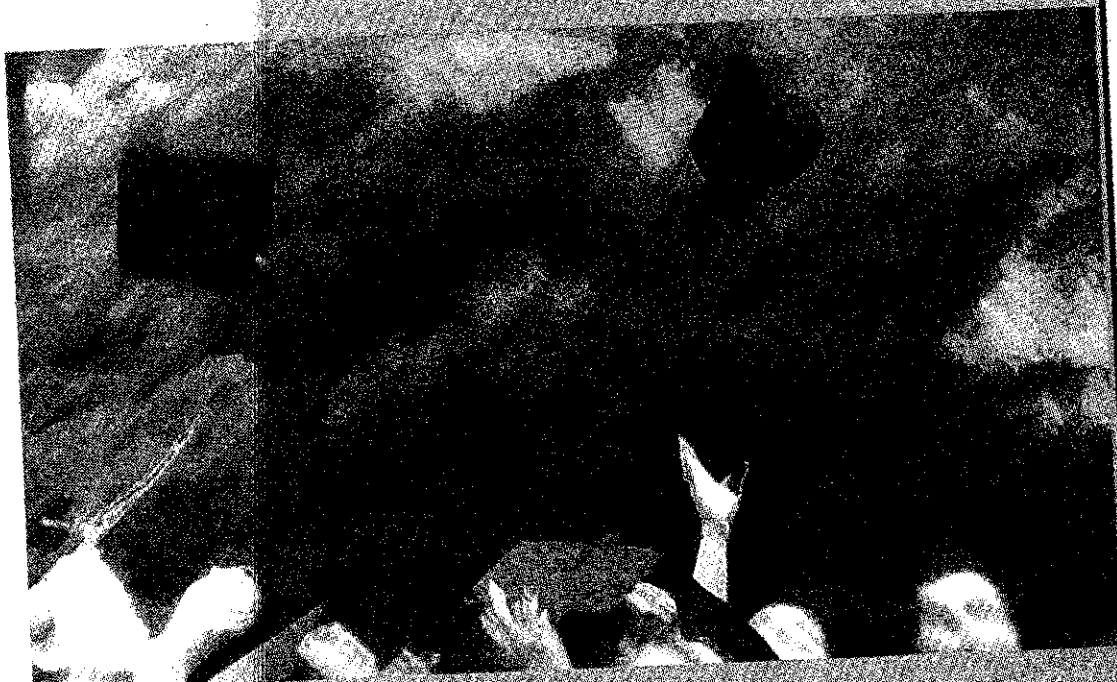




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Blimey, mate. It's fair dinkum you'll be zonked after a g'day on walkabout with roos at the Detroit Zoo's **Australian Outback Adventure**. It's a freebie. It's a ripper. Goodonya, zookeepers, ya larrikins.

# Into the outback

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Step inside the Australian outback and hop to it among kangaroos at the Detroit Zoo.

The mob is most active during morning and late afternoon. No matter what time of day, it's a case of who's watching who.

"We are actually allowing the public in the enclosure with the animals," said Harry Ward, in charge of the new kangaroo exhibit as zoo associate curator of mammals. "You're actually inside the exhibit."

While Ward spoke from within the enclosure, many of the zoo's 17 spring-kneed marsupials peer quizzically at their newfound human guest.

"As you can see by them watching people, they're fairly fascinated by it," Ward said.

"The kangaroos are still getting used to seeing people in here," said Scott Carter, zoo director of conservation and animal welfare and a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

While kangaroos aren't outright friendly to humans, they are not frightened, either.

"It's not stressful for them," Ward said. "They exhibit normal behavior. They are tailor-made for this sort of exhibit."

Kangaroo behavior includes males boxing in play or to establish dominance. If push comes to shove and a roo gets miffed, he'll lean back on his tail for leverage and start kicking.

Male roos are called old men or boomers. Females are does or fliers. Babies are joeys. The social group, which generally tops out at about 100 members, is called a mob.

"Kangaroos live in a fairly loose social organization," Carter said. "They tend to stay in groups. If you see a kangaroo by itself, it's generally a male. Males have a social hierarchy, which has to do with access to females."

In addition to hopping, kangaroos walk using a five-point gait. They use their legs, forearms and tail to lope along in a casual motion akin to someone crossing a room in a rocking chair.

"They move their front feet forward, then their rear feet forward and then the tail," Ward said. "There will be five points of contact with the ground."

Visitors enter the zoo's three-acre Australian Outback Adventure enclosure through



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

G'day from the Detroit Zoo's Australian Outback Exhibit.



double security doors.

To make sure a kangaroo doesn't escape into the Detroit outback, the outer door must be closed before the inner door is opened. A serpentine trail of dirt and finely crushed stone, bordered by knee-high wire cables, leads visitors through simulated prairie and bush. The landscape is heightened with reproductions of termite mounds and Aboriginal rock paintings.

In addition to the exhibit giving

the public an inside scoop at kangaroo life, it's the latest example of Detroit Zoo leaders providing captive animals a home reminiscent of their natural habitat.

"We try to provide a wonderful environment for animals and provide a really exciting experience for the public," said Ron Kagan, zoo director.

"When you go to Australia, you can walk in the wild and get close to kangaroos. They don't mind. People can walk or hop through here, and for the first time, encounter kangaroos that are 20 feet away or 2 feet away."

It's up to the kangaroos whether they want to get close to people.

"If people stay on the path, things will be fine," Kagan said. "We have guides with the public at all times."

Visitors are instructed to remain on the trail. If an animal approaches, people are supposed to use common sense, keep their distance, be quiet and not make sudden moves.

"Always keep in mind that it's very important we try not to disturb wild places and wild animals," Kagan said.

"Enjoying nature should not come from disturbing animals."

The zoo's nine male and seven female red kangaroos are herbivores. They eat moist

grasses, plants and shrubbery. They drink water about once per week.

Adult males stand about 6 feet tall, weigh 150 pounds and have strong muscles that ripple beneath their soft, auburn fur.

Females are smaller. They stand about 3 1/2 feet tall and weigh up to 80 pounds. Their coats are colored almost slate gray or gunmetal blue.

One of the zoo's females on exhibit gave birth to a joey sometime within the last six months. If nature holds true, the baby is about to leave its mother's pouch and venture into the world. Weaning occurs at about 1 year old.

"The joey's not living independently of the mother right now," Carter said.

"Occasionally we see a piece of it sticking out of the pouch. If you look really close, you can see a female with a little bulge."

When born, that joey was about the size of a bee. When grown up, it will join its brethren among the world's largest marsupials strong enough to hop nearly 30-foot strides at speeds of 40 mph—impressive enough to appear on the Australian coat of arms.

Kangaroos are essentially spring loaded.

"The flexing of their muscles and skeletal system is not that different from when cheetahs

start running," Kagan said.

"Hopping, the way they do it, is very energetically conservative and efficient," Ward said. "They can go very fast, especially over short distances, and not really tire themselves. They're basically storing energy each time they hop. Ligaments in the legs act like springs. They are storing energy in their ligaments and back. Energetically, it's a great way to go fast."

Kagan added, "The only thing kangaroos would need to run away from in the wild are dingoes (wild dogs), which are predators of smaller kangaroos."

The Detroit Zoo's conservation efforts have people in mind and animals at heart.

"It's about celebrating wildlife," Ward said. "It's the wildlife's habitat. These animals are individuals that have great beauty and diversity in their own right. We want people to see we are celebrating wildlife."

**Australian Outback Adventure** will be open daily during regular Detroit Zoo hours at no additional charge. The Detroit Zoo is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily April through October, with extended hours 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays during July and August. Admission is \$11 for adults 13 and older, and \$7 for children



ages 2 to 12; children under 2 enter free. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit [www.detroitzoo.org](http://www.detroitzoo.org). To help the Detroit Zoological Society through financial support, partnership opportunities, membership or volunteering, call (248) 541-5717.





# The Hill hosts lockup MDA benefit

The Hill Restaurant and the Muscular Dystrophy Association teamed up to raise approximately \$31,000 during the MDA's Grosse Pointe's annual "Lockup for Good Program."

"It was an awesome day. We raised a lot of money for a great cause and we can't say enough good things about The Hill restaurant and everyone else who donated time and money for MDA," said MDA Program Coordinator Lori Whalen.

The Hill's General Manager Nick Graczyk said all of the food was donated, and Lochmoor Chrysler donated two cars to help transport people back to their jobs after lunch.

"This is a special occasion that helps people who really need it," Graczyk said. "We're happy to be able to donate the restaurant for everyone involved with MDA."

Dozens of Grosse Pointe and area residents spent time in the "lockup" and had their picture taken behind "bars," including Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dick Borland.

"This event is for a great cause," Borland said. "I'm honored to donate some time and money for MDA."

Limousines were also used to cater to the men and women who spent time behind "bars," picking them up at their jobs and taking them back after lunch.

**IT TAKES TWO:** In a collaborative fundraising effort, the Detroit Symphony

Orchestra and the Michigan Opera Theatre will host "Tango for Two," a Re-creation of the nightlife of Buenos Aires, at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, July 29, at the Lutz Farm in Ann Arbor.

The farm will be transformed into an Argentine Tango Palace. Brazilian Caipirinha cocktails, Argentine fine wines and a sampling of South American hors d'oeuvres will be followed by a buffet of Argentine favorites including barbecued fare synonymous with the cuisine of South America.

The evening will continue with a performance by the tango troupe from Buenos Aires "I Tango" accompanied by internationally acclaimed bandoneon player, Hector del Curto. Selected DSO musicians and members of the Michigan Opera Theatre will also perform.

The event also features a tango contest judged by a professional dance panel and a raffle for an all expenses paid trip for two to Buenos Aires, including airfare, a one-week stay, a private chauffeur and \$3,000 in items from Neiman Marcus.

Tickets are \$500 for the benefit package which includes an invitation to a "Dance Lesson Party" on June 27 at the Detroit Opera House, and \$350 for patrons.

Expected to attend are honorary co-chairs Jose Octavio Bordon, Argentine ambassador to the United States; Lino Gutierrez, U.S. ambassador to Argentina; Ronald Weiser,

Slovakian ambassador to the U.S.; U.S. Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., and his wife, Debbie; and GMAC President William F. Muir and his wife, Christine.

General chairs, Denise and Bob Lutz, conceived the idea for this collaboration between the DSO and MOT to reaffirm their commitment to the city.

For further information about the Tango for Two event, reservations or raffle tickets, call the Tango hotline at (313) 237-3425 or visit detroitsymphony.com or MichiganOpera.org.

**TEA PARTY:** The Grosse Pointe Theatre hosts its second A Theatrical Affair, Afternoon Tea from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 25, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A fashion show with period costumes, musical entertainment, a champagne reception, tea, luncheon and a silent auction and raffle make up this event.

Each table will be decorated to the theme of a theatrical production. This year's fashion show of period costumes will feature wedding gowns from the 1930s and 1940s. In addition, guests will receive prizes for the best tea ensemble and hat.

There will be more than 100 silent auction items to bid on and guests have a chance to win a David Yurman black onyx and diamond pendant on a 17-inch sterling silver wheat chain donated by Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers; a men's Movado two-tone watch from George Koueiter & Sons Jewelers; and a spiral Steuben vase donated The League Shop. Raffle tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at or prior to the event.

Tickets are \$50 with limited seating. Tickets are available by calling (313) 881-4004. No



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Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dick Borland, above, spent time in the lockup at The Hill Restaurant to support the MDA.

tickets will be sold at the door.

**CLUBBING FOR ZOO:** Members of two private business clubs, Skyline Club in Southfield and Renaissance Club in Detroit, raised more than \$25,000 for the Detroit Zoological Society since October by waiving the \$700 initiation fee for new members in exchange for a donation of

\$150 to the society.

The funds will be used toward the improvement of animal habitats as well as for educational programs and beautification projects at the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo.

"This fundraising drive is an excellent example of how creative corporate America can be when it comes to giving back,"

said Detroit Zoological Society Chairman Gail Warden.

"Our members firmly believe in supporting the community that has contributed to our success over the past 20-plus years," said General Manager Jim Coyne. "Our boards felt this was the perfect way to support the Detroit Zoological Society."



## Sparkling golfers

On Saturday, June 10, Mariners Inn hosted its fourth annual "Diamond in the Rough" Golf Outing at Rackham Golf Course. More than 104 golfers participated and raised just over \$29,000 for the agency. Mariners Inn had LaSalle Bank as its corporate sponsor. Honorary chairs and Grosse Pointers were Fred and Beth McLeod of WDIV Channel 4. Saab of Troy donated the hole-in-one prize of a two-year lease of a Saab 9-3 convertible. Other event sponsors include: Siding World, Strategic Staffing Solutions, Wolinski & Co. CPA, Metropolitan Eye Center, Chase Bank, Goodwill Industries, Greentown Casino, Rabbit Lane, Allen Ledyard, and the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. For more than 50 years, Mariners Inn has been dedicated to helping homeless men, seeking to be free of addiction, live an independent life filled with dignity and purpose. Services include: 90-day residential substance abuse treatment, transitional housing, family education and counseling, alumni support, literacy, GED, and computer classes, vocational training and placement, and permanent housing assistance. Left to right are Marilyn Rusche, Mariners Inn executive director, Channel 4 sports reporter Fred McLeod and traffic reporter Beth McLeod and Barbara Prues, Mariners Inn fundraising director.



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## Community support

Members of the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe presented Vicki Liggett with a check in the amount of \$12,000 in support of the Liggett Breast Center at the VanEslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital.

Think Detroit PAL also received a donation. These two organizations were the selected recipients of the Grosse Pointe Rotary's 24th biannual auction held on April 29. The auction also funds the Rotary Foundation for two years, allowing members to continue the work of Rotary in the community. Left to right are Bob Bury who accepted check on behalf of Think Detroit PAL, Roberta "Berty" Liggett, Marjorie Liggett, Vicki Liggett, Emily Liggett and John DeWald.

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# WSU journalism program receives check

## Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund supports writers

The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit gave a \$10,000 check to Wayne State University's Journalism Institute for Minorities on June 9.

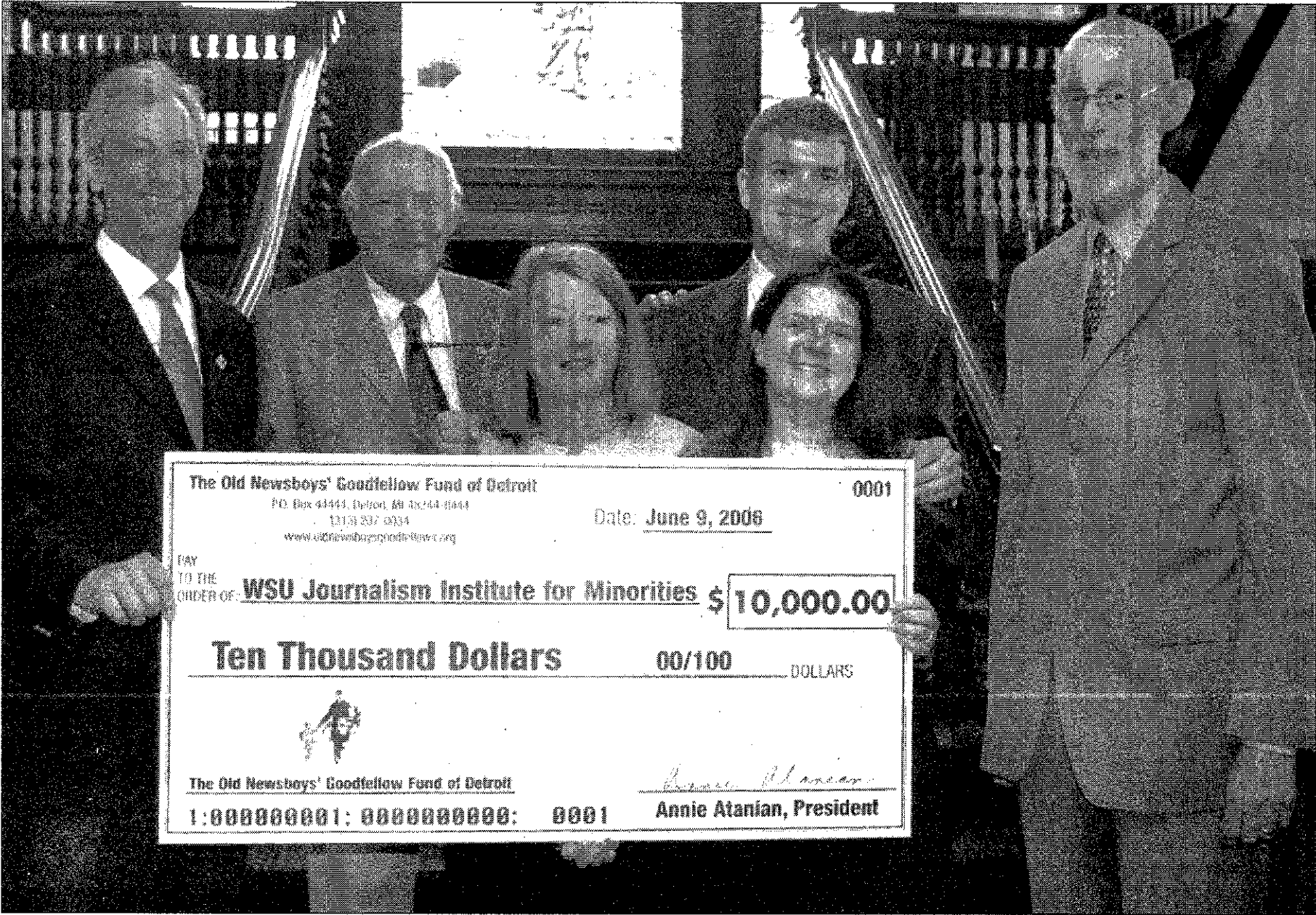
The check funds an existing Goodfellows scholarship program at Wayne State which has been renamed the Mike McCormick Goodfellows Scholarship to honor the late Detroit News editor who was a longtime supporter of the Detroit Goodfellows. McCormick's wife, Sharon, and their children presented the check to Ben Burns, dean of the Journalism Institute for Minorities.

The Goodfellows Scholarship began in 1998 and has since contributed \$147,000 to help Wayne State students pay for their education in a variety of career choices.

McCormick, who worked for The Detroit News for 34 years before his death in 2005, was responsible for editing and designing the special edition of the Goodfellow Sales Day newspaper, which Detroit police and Goodfellows sell every November on street corners to raise money for the organization.

In addition to renaming the scholarship, it is also the first year the Detroit Goodfellows' donation has been designated for a specific Wayne State program.

The Detroit Goodfellows chose WSU's Journalism Institute for Minorities to honor McCormick's distinguished journalism career and to help deserving Wayne State students pursuing that career.



A presentation of a \$10,000 check from the Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit to the Journalism Institute for Minorities at Wayne State University marked the renaming of the scholarship program to the Mike McCormick Goodfellows Scholarship. The Detroit News editor, who died in 2005, was a supporter of the Goodfellows and produced the annual Goodfellows newspaper. Pictured, from left, are Tony Niarhos of Grosse Pointe Woods, chair of the Mike McCormick Goodfellows Scholarship committee; Pete Waldmeir of Grosse Pointe Woods, secretary of the Goodfellows; Sharon McCormick, wife of the honoree; Molly McCormick, daughter of the honoree; Matthew McCormick, son of honoree; and Ben Burns, dean of the WSU Journalism Institute for Minorities.

The Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit, founded in 1914, is best known for 30,000 Christmas gift packages it distributes an-

nually to needy children in Detroit, Hamtramck and Highland Park. The 2006 fundraising goal is \$1.3 million. For more information or

to donate, visit [www.oldnewsboysgoodfellows.org](http://www.oldnewsboysgoodfellows.org).

This organization is the original and oldest Goodfellows organization and

is not affiliated with any other Goodfellow group.

The group also sponsors an emergency dental program for children, awards scholar-

ships through Wayne State, provides free shoes to children in need and helps send hundreds of children to camp each summer.



## War Memorial ballet

Noted ballet instructor Mary Ellen Cooper presents Divertissement, a ballet performance at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The performance includes original dances to two nocturnes from Image, by Claude Debussy; "The Enchanted Forest," featuring music by Felix Mendelssohn and others; a romantic Pas de Quatre to music by Frederic Chopin; and will finish with L'Ariessienne by Georges Bizet. Cooper has been teaching ballet for more than 50 years and is a member of the Cecchetti Council of America. Pictured in the front row are her students Catherine Kucharski and Francesca Aliotta; middle row, Tessa LeBeau, Sarah TaFoya, and Katie Murray and in back, Dana Crissman. Tickets cost \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and children 12 and under. Tickets are available in advance or at the door.



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## Recognition day

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe honored local volunteer "heros" during its Monday, June 12, meeting. Grosse Pointe Rotary Vocational Director Linda Mackool, third from right, of Grosse Pointe Woods recognized the work of two Bon Secours Hospital Volunteer Service Department groups. The Puppet Ladies have hand crafted more than 1,533 hand-puppets for pediatric patients since September 2005. The CuddleCrafters create colorful and lively small fleece pillows, which they affectionately call PillowPals, also for pediatric patients. More than 2,582 pieces have been contributed in this fiscal year.

## Pointes for Peace hosts a Quaker speaker on June 29

Hali Giessler, founding headmaster of the Friends School in Detroit, will be the guest speaker at a Pointes for Peace public forum at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, June 29, at St. Clair of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

The title of his presentation is "Non-violence and Justice in Times of Violent Injustice: A Quaker's Story."

Giessler grew up in a Quaker family under Gestapo scrutiny in Nazi Germany. Immigrating to the United States, prior to World War II, he participated in the 1960s civil rights lunch counter sit-ins and worked for peace during the McCarthy and Cold War eras. He helped to found the Friends School in Detroit in 1965 and was its first headmaster. He is a member of the

Detroit Friends Meeting.

The program is free and open to the public.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group of east-siders and others who are committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels.

Membership is free. Weekly gatherings are at 7 p.m. on Sundays at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the Grosse Pointe Village.

For more information, or to be added to the Pointes for Peace mailing list, call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732 or e-mail [pointesforpeace@yahoo.com](mailto:pointesforpeace@yahoo.com).

## NEW ARRIVALS

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Bill and Julie Thompson of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a daughter, Hayley Adele Thompson, born April 13, 2006. Maternal grandparents are George and Elaine Hathaway of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Paternal grandparents are Bryan and Jean Thompson of Grosse Pointe Park. Great-grandparents are Adele Ammar of St. Clair Shores and Betty Hathaway of New Baltimore.

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Mr. and Mrs. Percy Vreeken are parents of twin boys, Gerrit Albert Vreeken and Kevin aloysius Vreeken, born May 5, 2006.

### Katherine Richardson Goodman

Jennifer and Jim Goodman of St. Louis, are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Richardson Goodman, born May 15, 2006. Maternal grandparents are Debbie Van Elslander of Grosse Pointe Shores and Bart Lewis of

Macomb.

Paternal grandparents are Corinne Richardson of Clayton, Mo., and the late Harold Goodman. Great-grandparents are Art and Mary Ann Van Elslander of Grosse Pointe Shores and Eileen Lewis of Warren.

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## 4B | CHURCHES

## Dieter, beacon of Christianity at Christ Church

By Carrie Cunningham  
Special Writer

The narthex of Christ Church Grosse Pointe is encased in mahogany and figurative pieces of a classical style are sprinkled about. On a nearby bulletin board are fliers and announcements presenting opportunities for Christian education and service to the Grosse Pointe community and beyond.

Situated on the second floor of the church lies the equally welcoming office of the Rev. David Dieter, 51, the associate rector of the church. A pillow calling for peace sits on Dieter's couch and a cloth cross drapes a table.

The simple but ever important idea of having the courage to love shimmers through the edifice of the church, and Dieter is at the forefront of making this message a reality. Like the church's stunning but unpretentious architecture, Dieter speaks about God's love without artifice. In the church's rooms, a visitor envisions the celebration of God; when talking to Dieter, one feels a message of love and inclusion.

Dieter came to Christ Church Grosse Pointe two years ago as a second-career priest. He grew up on the eastern shore of Maryland with his mother, Jane, and his father, Paul, a Methodist minister. A graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University, Dieter moved to Michigan in 1983. For 12 years, he served as CEO of a health care company that built a retirement community for metro area residents.

"I loved it. I had a wonderful job and it was a wonderful place to work," he said.

Dieter was enchanted by the service aspect of his job, but he felt a spiritual yearning that his job did not satisfy. He went through a discernment process and determined that he was called to become a priest. He attended General Theological Seminary in New York where he met Brad Whitaker, the rector of Christ Church. Shortly after graduating, he moved to Grosse Pointe.

While contemplating priesthood, Dieter discovered he had a strong spiritual desire to serve God and others and to recognize his true self. A gay man currently in a relationship with partner and garden designer Richard Thomas, Dieter realized that accepting his sexual orientation was part of being honest with God.

"Spiritually based hospitality is healing. The concept in its very root is shelter and safety. Loving one's neighbor is inextricably linked to loving God, the best expression of being fully human," he said in an October 2005 sermon.

These themes of helping one another are carried out in the many activities Dieter is involved in at Christ Church. One of his favorites is pastoral care in which he counsels Pointers who have illnesses or who have suffered loss.

"I love being present to people, being open to them in a way that allows them to be real," he said.

Mission work outside the boundaries of Grosse Pointe is equally meaningful for Dieter.

He is the clergy liaison for the partnership with the Church of the Messiah in Detroit. Under his stewardship, Christ Church has helped fund a tutoring program for children and he and other parishioners celebrate a fellowship with many social activities.

"We are the same people," Dieter said of the Messiah community. "It is critical that we love our neighbors."

Part of the reality for the Church of the Messiah has come from the dual relationship of the Outreach Coordinating and Outreach Funding committees, groups in which Dieter serves as clergy liaison. Dieter said he likes helping to determine where church funds can help Grosse Pointe, the Detroit metro area and other parts of the world.

With Whitaker, Dieter has helped victims of the hurricane in New Orleans. The church has raised money for New Orleans residents and has formed a partnership with the city's Trinity Church.

Dieter endorses America's bedrock principle of religious pluralism and sees respect for people of all religions as vital.

"Our neighbors are Jewish, Muslim and Hindu and others. Love does not require agreeing on how one approaches God," he said.

While separation between church and state is essential to a free society, he feels priests of the Episcopal Church and leaders of other religions can weigh in on political issues.

"Faith leads toward reconciliation between parties and ethnic groups," he said. "God is present across the world."



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The Rev. David Dieter, assistant rector at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, has served many in the area.

One of the most defining concepts for a Christian is Christ's resurrection and Dieter embraces the notion of love enshrouded within the idea.

"The resurrection is moving in the direction of goodness, of wholeness," he said in an April 2005 sermon. "The

transformation to new life can come in the form of change for some of us: insight, a new idea, an act of forgiveness, sharing one's self with another. The possibilities for revived life are endless."

Dieter expects to continue at Christ Church for the foreseeable future. He enjoys

working in tandem with Whitaker and feels their relationship is open and productive.

To burnish his theological credentials, Dieter plans to register in a Doctor of Ministry program at Oxford University and the Graduate Theological Foundation.

## Summer Bible classes, pre-fireworks activities, folk dance troupe on schedules

◆ **Christ the King Lutheran Church** continues its summer adult Bible study program with men's and women's classes, offered in July.

"Men in the Church" challenges men to grow in discipleship to Christ while learning scriptural truths about their vocation as spiritual leaders. Discussion will center on the

distinctly masculine expression of worship, prayer, witness and stewardship on spiritual leadership in the home; and on supporting and strengthening other men in the faith.

The women's study, "The Beauty of Balance: Living an Integrated Life," is designed to lead women into a fuller recognition of who they are in Christ.

Discerning one's purpose in each season of life, how to walk wisely in the midst of competing demands on time and resources, people vs. priorities, and how to design and pursue a new direction according to God's call, are among the scheduled topics.

Both classes are offered at 9:30 a.m. and will run concurrently from Sunday, July 9,

though Sunday, July 30. Guests are welcome at either class.

For more information, call (313) 884-5090.

◆ **St. Michael's Episcopal Church** in Grosse Pointe Woods is hosting a Fireworks Festival from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sunday, June 25, on the front lawn of the church. The

evening will include food, games a moonwalk and live music.

◆ Members of the Al Raja Palestinian Folk Dance Troupe from the Evangelical Lutheran School of Hope in Ramallah, West Bank, will perform their traditional debka dances at 7 p.m. Monday, June 26, at St. Paul Lutheran

Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The dancers are Christian and Muslim teens from the school, which is part of the ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land.

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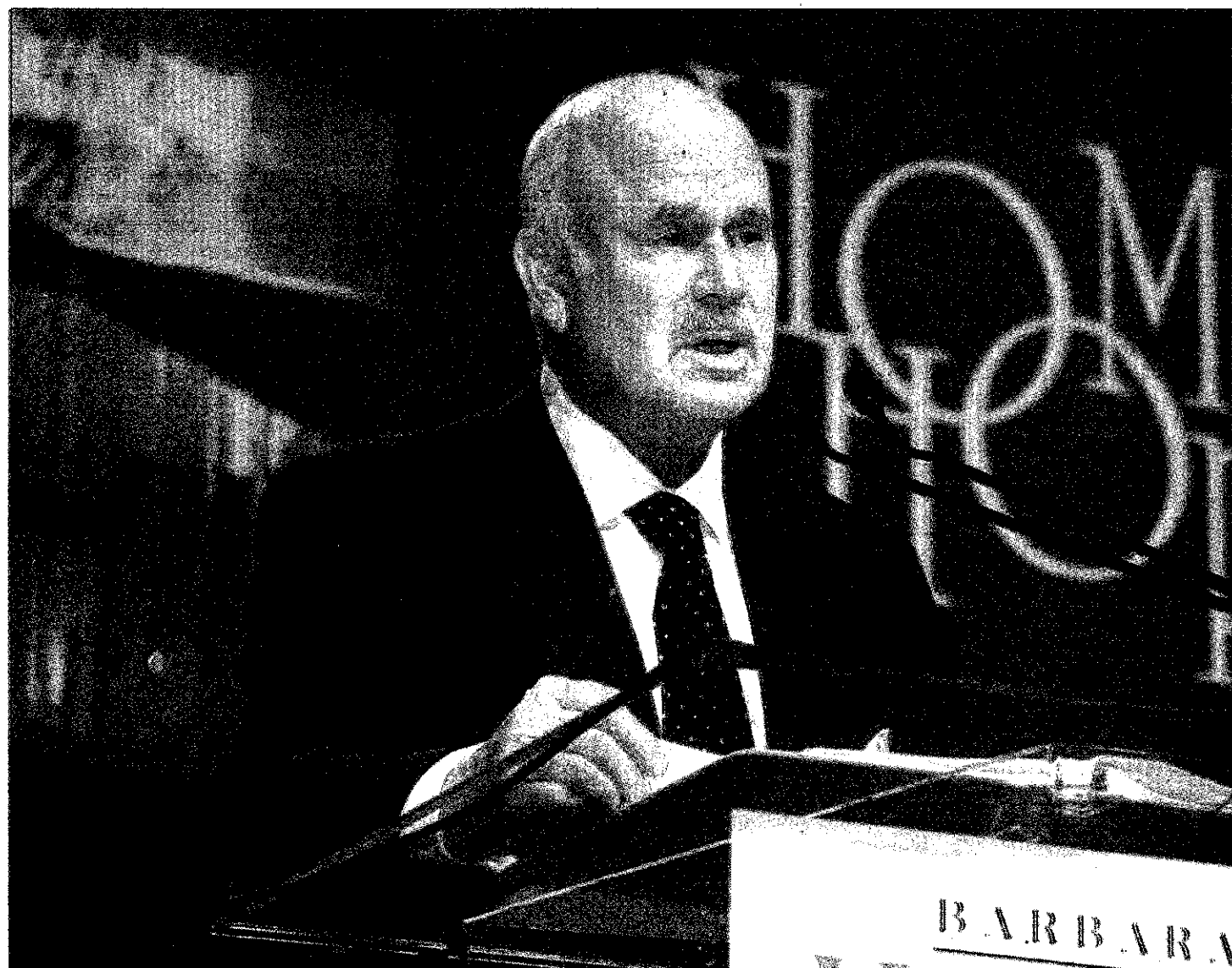
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Peter Karmanos Jr., at the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Home to Hope gala.

## Family gift given during gala

More than 700 people attended the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Home to Hope Gala at the Renaissance Center's Marriott Hotel.

The event raised nearly \$550,000 for the institute and is the highest annual dinner net revenue raised in the history of the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

The start of the institute's \$125 million Cancer Free Future campaign was formally announced during the dinner reception. During the ceremony, Peter Karmanos Jr., chairman and CEO, Compuware, pledged a \$25 million family gift to the institute's campaign.

This gift will be added to the nearly \$70 million already raised during the silent phase of the campaign. In the past 11 years, the Karmanos family has donated more than \$50 million to the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

During the gala, Pat Sachs, MSW, director of community partnerships, Karmanos Cancer Institute and a current cancer patient, made a heartfelt plea for financial support of a new Supportive Care Program at the institute.

The program would use a team approach to combine services that would improve the quality of life for cancer patients, their families and caregivers. Program services would include pain management, yoga, art therapy, nutrition counseling and others.

Nancy and John Smith, General Motors group vice president, Global Product Planning, served as chairs for the event and were joined by co-chairs Frances and Kenneth Eisenberg, chairman and CEO, Kenwal Steel Corp., and Jennifer and David Fischer, chairman and CEO, The Suburban Collection.

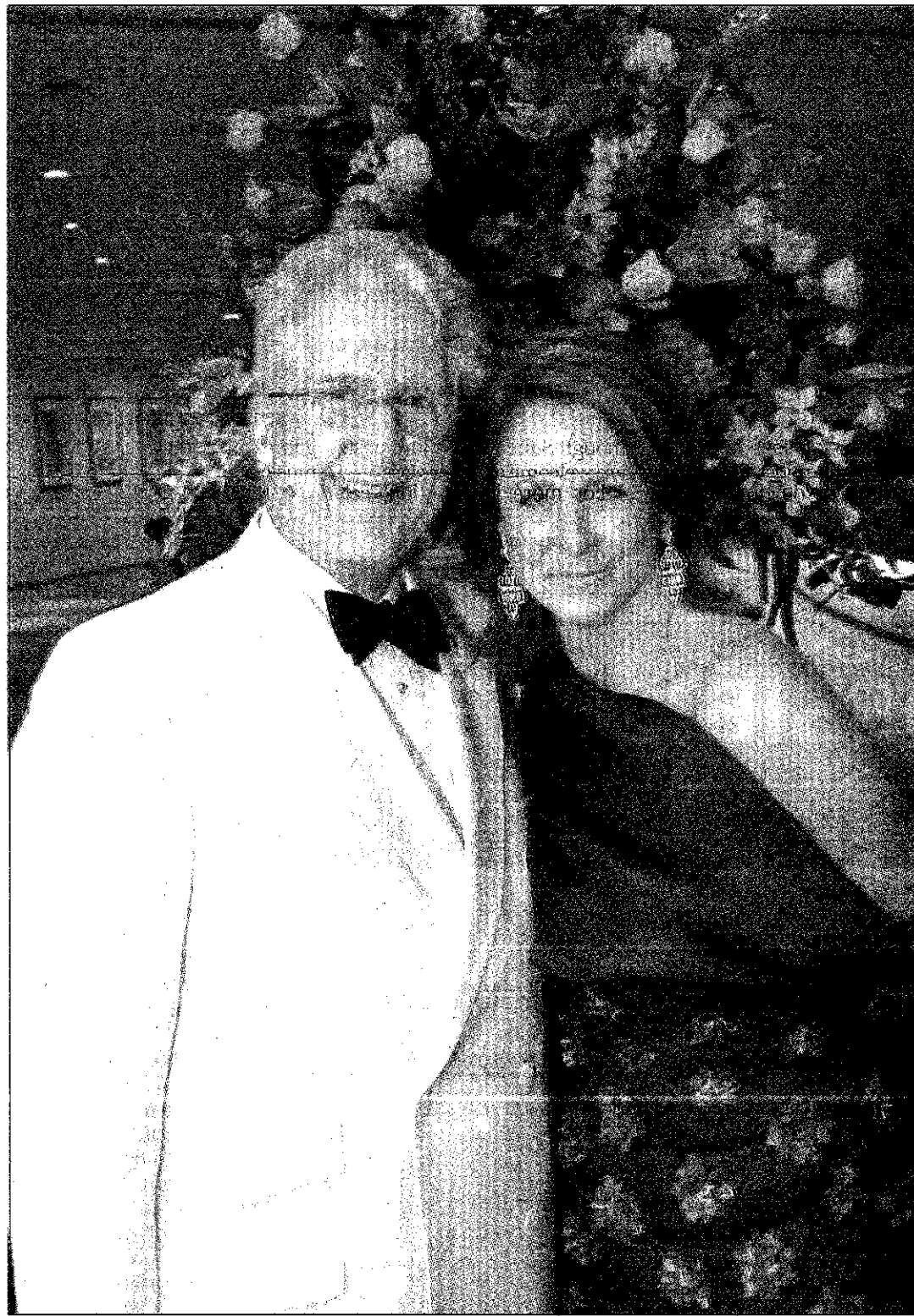
Sponsors of the event included, Kenwal Steel Corp., Compuware Corp., The Suburban Collection, General Motors Corp. and Credit Union One.

Planning for the 2007 Karmanos Cancer Institute annual dinner is already under way.

The evening's entertainment will include a special fashion show presentation highlighting the best in women's fashion from Milan, Paris and New York.

The clothing will be selected and provided by the popular Birmingham clothing store, Linda Dresner.

The store is the namesake of its owner, Linda Dresner, who is also serving as a co-chair for next year's 25th Annual Dinner. Dayle and John Hoffecker, managing director, AlixPartners and Regine and Stefano Aversa, managing director, AlixPartners will also co-chair the event.



David and Jennifer Fisher at the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Home to Hope gala.

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## The causes of high blood pressure

By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

**Q.** I have had high blood pressure for years. I asked my doctor what causes it. He said he did not know and that nobody knows. Maybe you can help.

— R.M.

**A.** Close to 30 percent of the adult North American population has high blood pressure — hypertension. About 94 percent of those people have essential hypertension, the kind of blood pressure elevation for which there isn't one definite cause. There are, however, things that contribute to its emergence. A diet loaded with salt and relatively poor in potassium, a couch-potato lifestyle, obesity and the family genes work together to raise blood pressure. Primitive people who spend most of their waking hours hunting for food and whose diet is low in salt rarely have high blood pressure.

Doctors do know why blood pressure rises. It comes about from artery constriction. All arteries, even the smallest, are encircled with tiny muscles that can contract and narrow their diameter. When that happens, blood pressure goes

up. It's the same effect that occurs when you squeeze a hose. Water pressure behind the section that's squeezed goes up.

Secondary hypertension is the kind of blood pressure elevation for which there is an identifiable cause. It constitutes only about 6 percent of all high blood pressure cases. Tumors of the adrenal gland, a kinking of the artery leading to one of the kidneys (renovascular hypertension) and an abrupt tapering of a part of the aorta (coarctation) are examples of things that lead to secondary hypertension. This kind of high blood pressure can usually be cured, and looking for the signs of secondary hypertension always pays off. Blood pressure that doesn't respond to usual treatment or high blood pressure in young people suggests the possibility of secondary hypertension.

Readers can obtain a copy of the book by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 104W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order for \$4.75 with the recipient's printed name and address.

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◆ Development of standard procedures for treating severely burned and injured patients in emergency rooms

◆ Insight into the role of virtual reality programs in lessening a patient's response to pain.

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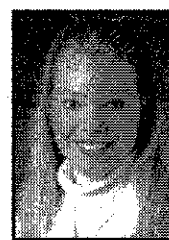


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## 6B | SENIORS

# Study finds attitudes on aging contradict reality

Back when he was 20 years old, rock star Pete Townshend wrote the line "I hope I die before I get old" in the song, "My Generation" for his band, the Who.

But a unique new study suggests Townshend may have fallen victim to a common, and mistaken, belief: The happiest days of people's lives occur when they're young.

In fact, the study finds, both young and old people think young people are happier than older people — when in fact previous research has shown the opposite. And while both older and younger adults tend to equate old age with unhappiness for other people, individuals tend to think they'll be happier than most in their old age.

In other words, the young Townshend may have thought others of his generation would be miserable in old age. And now that he's 61, he might look back and think he himself was happier back then. But the opposite is likely to be true: Older people "mis-remember" how happy they were as youths, just as youths "mis-predict" how happy (or unhappy) they will be as they age.

The study, performed by VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System and University of Michigan researchers, involved more than 540 adults who were either be-

tween the ages of 21 and 40, or more than age 60. All were asked to rate or predict their own individual happiness at their current age, at age 30 and at age 70, and also to judge how happy most people are at those ages. The results are published in the June issue of the Journal of Happiness Studies, a major research journal in the field of positive psychology.

"Overall, people got it wrong, believing that most people become less happy as they age, when in fact this study and others have shown that people tend to become happier over time," says lead author Heather Lacey, Ph.D., a VA postdoctoral fellow and member of the U-M Medical School's Center for Behavioral and Decision Sciences in Medicine.

"Not only do younger people believe that older people are less happy, but older people believe they and others must have been happier back then. Neither belief is accurate."

The findings have implications for understanding young people's decisions about habits — such as smoking or saving money — that might affect their health or finances later in life, researchers said. They also may help explain the fear of aging that drives middle-aged people to "midlife crisis" behav-

ior in a vain attempt to slow their own aging.

Stereotypes about aging abound in our society, Lacey said and affect the way older people are treated as well as the public policies that affect them. That's why research on the beliefs that fuel those one-size-fits-all depictions of older people is important, she explains. The study is one of the first ever to examine the ability of individuals to remember or predict happiness over their lifespan. Most studies of happiness have focused on people with chronic illness, disabilities or other major life challenges, or have taken "snapshots" of current happiness among older people.

The senior author of the new paper, Peter Ubel, M.D., has conducted several of these studies, and has found that ill people are often surprisingly happy, sometimes just as happy as healthy people. This suggests an adaptability or resilience in the face of their medical problems. Ubel is the director of the Center for Behavioral and Decision Sciences in Medicine, an adviser to the RWJ Clinical Scholars Program, and author of *You're Stronger Than You Think: Tapping the Secrets of Emotionally Resilient People* (McGraw-Hill, 2006).

"People often believe that happiness is a matter of circumstance, that if something

good happens, they will experience long-lasting happiness, or if something bad happens, they will experience long-term misery," he said. "But instead, people's happiness results more from their underlying emotional resources — resources that appear to grow with age. People get better at managing life's ups and downs, and the result is that as they age, they become happier — even though their objective circumstances, such as their health, decline."

Lacey adds, "It's not that people overestimate their happiness, but rather that they learn how to value life from adversities like being sick. What the sick learn from being sick, the rest of us come to over time." The new study, she explains, sprang from a desire to see whether the experience that comes with advancing age affects attitudes and predictions about aging.

The study was done using an online survey with six questions, asked in four different orders to reduce bias. The participants were part of a large group of individuals who had previously volunteered to take online surveys, and chose to respond to the U-M/VA inquiry. The two age groups were about equally divided between men and women. About 35 percent of the younger group's members were from ethnic minority groups, compared with

24 percent of the older group's members.

Each participant was asked to rate his or her own current level of happiness on a scale of 1 to 10, and also to rate on that same scale how happy an average person of their age would be. Each participant was also asked to remember or predict (depending on their age) their level of happiness at age 30 and at age 70, again on a scale of 1 to 10.

They were also asked to guess the happiness of the average person at each of those ages.

To make sure that their online survey methodology didn't skew the results by including an atypical group of older people, the researchers compared the older group's happiness self-ratings with those from self-ratings collected in other ways from people of the same age range. They matched.

In all, a statistical analysis of the results show people in the older group reported a current level of happiness for themselves that was significantly higher than the self-rating made by the younger group's members. And yet, participants of all ages thought that the average 30-year-old would be happier than the average 70-year-old and that happiness would decline with age.

Interestingly, the younger people in the study predicted that they themselves would be

about as happy at age 70 as they were in younger years, though they said that others their own age would probably become less happy over time. And the older people in the study tended to think that they'd be happier at older ages than other people would be.

This tendency to think of oneself as "above average" has been seen in other studies of everything from driving ability to intelligence, Lacey said. This bias may combine with negative attitudes about aging to help explain the study's findings, she added.

Further analysis of the study data will examine the impact of individuals' core beliefs on their predictions and memory of happiness.

Since completing the study, the researchers have gone back to study people between the ages of 40 and 60, and hope to present that data soon. They also plan to study how beliefs about happiness in young and old age influence people's retirement planning and health care decision making.

In addition to Lacey and Ubel, the study was co-authored by Dylan Smith, Ph.D., a research investigator at the CDBSM. The center's website is [cbsdm.org](http://cbsdm.org). The study was funded by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and by the Department of Veterans Affairs.



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## SOC announces July calender

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) announces a list of events for the upcoming month.

◆ **The ABC's of Arthritis**  
Wednesday, July 5  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Valerie Stahl, the Arthritis Foundation  
Learning more about arthri-

tis, the facts and myths, forms of arthritis, their symptoms, and their physical impact on the body

◆ **Home Care or Hospice Care**  
Monday, July 10  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Stephanie Watson, Visiting Nurses Association

Home care and Hospice services, how these services offer benefits to the senior population. Did you know that home health care has been offered in Michigan for more than 100 years?

◆ **Are you "55 or better?"**  
Wednesday, July 12  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Lea Anne Ivory, Coordinator, CareLink Senior Services, St. John Hospital.

Have you heard of CareLink? Do you know about the many current offerings available to you through this free membership club? Join us for an overview of CareLink.

◆ **Have You Heard of "Reiki?"**  
Monday, July 17  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Cynthia Keech  
Reiki is a Japanese healing art; it means "Universal Life-force Energy." Reiki is noninvasive and is a deep relaxing experience done seated. Join us for more information.

◆ **Veggie in Motion - Achieving Optimal Health**  
Wednesday, July 19  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: John Corcoran, BS in Emergency Medicine, Certified fitness instructor.

Learn how to easily lose weight, prevent disease and bring vitality into our lives. Hear the latest research in an

informative and entertaining fashion.

◆ **Do you know about Macular Degeneration?**  
Monday, July 24  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Nancy Pilorget, Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology.

Age-related macular degeneration is the leading cause of blindness in people age 60 and older. Learn the risk factors and a way to self-screen each day.

◆ **Vision and Blood Pressure Screening**  
Wednesday July 26  
Time: 11:15 a.m.

Presenter: Dr. Shirley Sherrod, M.D., Medical Director  
Eye care and blood pressure are topics that relate to all seniors.

Dr. Sherrod will take time to check blood pressures and discuss eye care.

◆ **Seizure Recognition**  
Monday, July 31  
Time: 11:15 a.m.  
Presenter: Shirley Darroch, the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan

Seizure Smart program uses and epilepsy awareness quiz, a video, a question and answer session, on how to recognize, respond and assist in issues that relate specifically to seniors.

SENIOR NEWS LINE By Matilda Charles

## Hearing aids are a fact of life

If you're among the many readers who have written to me about hearing aid problems — bad fit, noise distortions, expense, etc. — William Austin, head of the Starkey Hearing Foundation, knows your pain. But he doesn't believe that's any reason not to enjoy the fullness of life's experiences, which depends on hearing well enough to be a part of the world, and not shut out of it.

Helen Keller, both deaf and blind, once said if she could recover one sense, it would be her hearing: She could imagine the shape of an object, but could not imagine the sound of a loved one's voice.

Austin, who fitted Presidents Carter, Reagan, Bush Sr. and Clinton with hearing aids, says the technology continues to improve and people find them

more comfortable and workable. He also says hearing problems in the 50 to 60-plus population is impacted by how people used and often abused their hearing.


Because of the high potential for cumulative damage among the older generation, hearing tests should be done to find and treat problems to avoid further deterioration. Austin says the sooner you decide to wear a hearing aid (if it's needed), the better your chances to continue enjoying the wonderful sounds of life.

For more information, call (952) 947-4903.

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## ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

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Kathryn Pring, Senior Occupational Therapist  
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### It is never too late to start an exercise program.

Research has shown that starting an exercise program even after the age of 65 can be beneficial to one's health. Regular exercise can minimize weight gain, reduce the risks of diseases such as diabetes and heart disease, and maintain muscle mass and strength. To reap the benefits of exercise an individual's exercise program should include strengthening, aerobic training, and stretching exercises.

Lifting weights is one of the most common forms of strength training which builds muscle mass. Another type of strength training is plyometric training. Plyometric training strengthens the whole body by performing rapid powerful movement. An example of a plyometric exercise is lunges. It is recommended to perform strength training 1-2 times a week with a day of rest between each session.

Aerobic exercise is defined as the body's ability to work for a prolonged period of time. An activity is considered aerobic if it raises one's heart rate for longer than 5 minutes in duration. Walking, running, bicycling, swimming, and stair stepping are only a few examples of aerobic exercise. Perform 3-4 days

of aerobic exercises for at least 30 minutes in duration per week. Remember to always do a 5-minute warm-up and 5 minute cool-down before and after any aerobic activity.

Stretching exercises are designed to lengthen tight muscles in order to increase one's flexibility. Yoga is a common form of stretching. The goal of Yoga is to increase one's balance and reduce their risk of injury by combining stretching and postural exercises together. Stretching should always be performed in combination with strength and/or aerobic training.

At St John Senior Community, physical and occupational therapists specialize in designing exercise programs that focuses on the geriatric population. Treatment sessions include a strengthening, aerobic and stretching component to provide residents with a complete exercise program.

Join us for a **FREE community forum about starting an exercise program on Thursday, July 13 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the St. John Senior Community, 18300 E. Warren, Detroit. Call 1-888-440-REAL to register.**

*Endless Possibilities is a quarterly column about healthy living and other health issues important to seniors written by experts at St. John Senior Community. If you'd like more information about the St. John Senior Community call us at 313-343-8265.*



STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Suczek

# 'London Assurance' at Stratford

The art of farce lives at Stratford. In fact, it is thriving in the form of a frothy frolic called

"London Assurance" directed and starred in by the inimitable Brian Bedford.

Just to make sure everyone appreciates the true character of this adventure in early 19th century English satire, the program notes prominently explain that in the play's title, the word "assurance" is best defined as "chutzpah," the widely popular Yiddish word for a combination of audacity and impudence.

Those qualities this play, and especially this production, certainly has in generous measure both in word and in on-stage action.

The result is an evening of

wide-eyed astonishment and unrestrained laughter.

There is even audacity with a touch of impudence in the flamboyant elegance of the sets and costumes created by Desmond Heeley, one of the most talented designers ever to work at Stratford. (This is his 36th production at the festival and the occasion of his 75th birthday, which the company and audience celebrated on opening night.)

The elegant first act reception room of a London town house reeks convincingly with ostentatious decor.

There are gilded arches, rich furnishings and looped draperies.

The second act country house and garden is so grandly opulent that it belies the personal accounts of people

who helped build the sets that part of the effect is created from mailing tubes and plastic spoons glued and stapled together and painted into the decor.

It makes a perfect setting for the delightful artifice of the play itself.

While most the costumes are beautiful, subtle caricatures of fashions of the period, Bedford's are an eloquent overstatement of the thesis that clothes make the man.

In his role as Sir Harcourt Courtly, he is a super fop who prides himself on the idea that he sets the standards of fashion in London society.

He also imagines that he cuts the romantic figure of a man half his age, not the 60-some-year-old rou'e, that he is.

Bedford's first entrance in quilted brocade lounging robe with enormously wide lapels and topped by a generous head of carefully coiffed raven hair expresses all this instantly and is outrageously funny.

The impression is driven home by the question from his close friend, Max Harkaway, in the person of James Blendick: "Whose head grew your hair?"

The acting style is suitably preposterous as well with the standard set by Bedford and exaggerated to greater or less degree according to the potential of each role.

Bedford, of course, mugs, gestures, poses, waits in a statuesque stance to generate a laugh, in masterful farcical manner.

His co-actors feed him many a cue for a continuing flow of snobbish one-liners like "plain people always praise the beauties of the mind." There is neither time nor need to think about meaning in this play. One is too busy laughing.

His co-actors have their moments, too.

As Cool, Keith Dinicol is the image of the super competent English butler, concealing the nighttime escapades of young

Charles Courtly from his father Sir Harcourt and helping Charles evade the Constable.

As Lady Gay Spanker, Seana McKenna extols the joys and thrills of her favorite sport in a vivid account of her morning ride to hounds in pursuit of a fox.

It proves to be a mirror image of Sir Harcourt's ardent romantic pursuit of her in which she defeats him at his own game.

Her husband, Adolphus Spanker, whom she affectionately calls "Dolly," appears at first to be a docile and shy country gentleman who does not ride in the hunt.

Cast in this role, however, Brian Tree manages even to upstage Bedford when, introduced to the imposing Sir Harcourt, he dissolves embarrassingly into hilarious paroxysms of stammering, conversational incompetence, and random gestures that virtually bring down the house.

Events unfold with a continuous flow of mistaken identities, assumed identities, planned and postponed elopements, white lies, tricks and traps.

True drama even threatens with a challenge to a duel between Dolly and Sir Harcourt over the fop's dalliance with Lady Grace.

It is almost carried out. Romance is satirized as well and very well.

Leading that parade is Sarah Topham as Grace Harkaway, niece and ward of Sir Harcourt's friend Max.

She is betrothed to Sir Harcourt and being more than twice the old rou'e's age, naturally becomes the object of competitive wooing by

Harcourt's son Charles.

In the true spirit of farce, she manages to outwit them both while giving vent to her own unique ideas on love and marriage which helps to bring the totally improbable plot to its proper resolution.

That, ultimately, is in the most capable hands of Bedford himself.

Sir Harcourt makes a clean breast of his indiscretions and

faces life with a new resolve.

The audience goes home (or up the stairs to Heeley's birthday party) with smiles on its faces.

"London Assurance" is presented in repertory at the Avon Theatre through Oct. 21.

For further information, tickets and accommodations about the Stratford Festival of Canada, in Ontario, call (800) 567-1600.

## Music on Plaza to feature works of jazz legend

Alvin Waddles' Fats Waller Review will appear in concert at the 2006 St. John Hospital and Medical Center Music on The Plaza concert series at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 29. The concerts are free and take place on the Festival Plaza located at the intersection of Kercheval and St. Clair, in The Village commercial district of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Waddles marks his debut performance at Music on The Plaza by paying tribute to one of the most beloved of jazz legends, Fats Waller. Classic Waller favorites from the '30s and '40s, such as "Honeysuckle Rose," "Ain't Misbehavin'," "Jitterbug Waltz," "Feets Too Big," will be

performed by his quartet that features Charlie Gabriel on piano and vocals, Marion Hayden on bass, Alex Trujano on drums and Alvin Waddles on piano and vocals.

The free concerts are presented by the St. John Hospital and Medical Center and are produced by the Grosse Pointe Village Association. In case of inclement weather, concerts will be held in the Maire Elementary School gymnasium, located at 740 Cadieux, two blocks west of the Festival Plaza.

For more information, call (313) 886-7474 or visit the Village Web site at thevillageggp.com for a complete concert schedule and location information.

## Tiger Stadium film

Emmy Award-winning filmmaker Gary Glaser's latest documentary, "Stranded at the Corner" (strandedatthecorner.com), will be shown Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24, at Adray Auditorium on the campus of Henry Ford Community College.

Doors for both shows open at 7 p.m. The movie starts promptly at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$7.50 at the door, and \$6 online at strandedatthecorner.com. Seniors and students pay \$6 either way.

Glaser will be on-hand to sign DVDs before and after each screening.

"Stranded" explores Detroit's historic Tiger Stadium and its uncertain future at the corner of Michigan and Trumbull. The storied ballpark, which has sat mostly vacant and unused since 1999, opened in 1912, just days after the sinking of the Titanic.

The movie examines the ballpark's storied past and tries to answer questions about the stadium's predicament.

"Stranded" features historic footage of the ballpark, as well as insightful interviews with Mickey Briggs, Maryann Mahaffey, Willie Horton, Bill Haase, Peter Riley, Frank Rashid, Scott Martin, Bill Dow, Lou Beer, and Harry Glanz, plus comic relief pitching from Thom Sharp.

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# PRIDE OF THE POINTES



**Ryan Worrell**

Ryan Worrell, son of former Grosse Pointer and Naval officer Robert Worrell, and grandson of Grosse Pointers Dr. and Mrs. Calier Worrell, graduated with honors from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., on May 31, 2006.

He graduated 71st in a class of 886 and was commander of his squadron. He has already earned his paratrooper's badge and has soloed in an Air Force plane. This summer he moves to the Air Force base in Laughlin, Texas, where he will learn to fly jet fighter planes.

Francis Roney of Grosse Pointe Farms has graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor of Science degree from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management. Roney majored in finance and accounting.

Sarah Vorgitch, graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and the University of Michigan, earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

Meghan Worrell, daughter of Patrick J. and Mary-Alice Worrell of Grosse Pointe Park, was named to the dean's list at DePaul University for the 2006 winter term.



**Meghan Worrell**

The following Grosse Pointers were named to Central Michigan University's spring semester honors list: Michael S. Berschback, Susanna Klimek Brennan, Ian C. Glennie, James W. Cotzias, Trevor R. Clor, Tylor M. Clor, Michael G. Greiner, Samantha A. Meredith, Alexa L. Sanfemio, Amy E. Somers and Christina M. Ventimiglia.

Army Pvt. Sean B. Scott has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He is the son of Wendy R. Kerwin of Grosse Pointe and a 2005 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

The University of Michigan has selected 936 top high school seniors from 275 schools throughout the state of Michigan to receive the Regents Merit Scholarship for "outstanding academic achievement, scholarly promise and potential contribution to the University community." Recipients were selected for the merit award (financial need is not a consideration), based on their grades, class ranking and test scores. Students selected as Regents Merit Scholars will receive a scholarship when they enroll

at the U-M in Ann Arbor in the fall of 2006. The following Grosse Pointers were included: James Baubie, Jessica Pogue, Ana Progovac, Joel Berger, William Chu, Kathleen Kneiser, Dana Schweitzer, Rachel Zurek, Christopher Fischer, Marisa Gies, Julie Bordato, Laura Mann and Michelle Morath.

Emily Griffith of Grosse Pointe and Erin Kenney of Grosse Pointe Shores were named to the dean's list at Hope College for the second semester of the 2005-06 school year.

Grosse Pointe Park resident Pamela Pangborn was honored at the recent Ashland Theological Seminary spring awards banquet. She received the Spiritual Formation Award for the ATS Detroit Center. She is seeking a Master of Divinity degree in pastoral counseling at Ashland Theological Seminary.

Grosse Pointers named to the Albion College Dean's List for the spring 2006 semester include:

Eric Backman is a sophomore majoring in economics and management and speech communication. He is the son of Carole Backman of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Ashley Ciaffone is a sophomore majoring in English and minoring in political science. She is the daughter of Dina Ciaffone of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Elizabeth Lawlis is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of James Lawlis and Susan Lawlis of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Erin MacLeod is a sophomore majoring in speech communication and German. She is the daughter of Donald MacLeod and Lynn MacLeod of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Alexandra Miller is a junior majoring in art history. She is

the daughter of Mary Ann Miller of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Frederic Moore graduated earlier this month from Albion College, earning a degree in economics and management. He is the son of Donald Moore and Sandra Moore of Grosse Pointe.

Jeffrey Moore is a junior majoring in economics and management and minoring in cell and molecular biology. He is the son of Donald Moore and Sandra Moore of Grosse Pointe.

Kelly Poletis is a sophomore majoring in biology and minoring in management and psychology. She is the daughter of Bland Poletis and Teresa Poletis of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Meredith Rock is a junior majoring in economics and management and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Jerome Rock and Ann Rock of Grosse Pointe.

Stephen Zmyslowski graduated earlier this month from Albion College, earning a degree in history and minoring in economics. He is the son of David Zmyslowski and Kathleen Zmyslowski of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Maria C. Soves, daughter of Eleanor and Andrew Soves of Grosse Pointe Woods, graduated from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor of Science degree in international business and a Bachelor of Arts degree in the German language.

Carolyn Black, daughter of James and Maj-Britt Black of the City of Grosse Pointe, earned a bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering and a minor in biology from Purdue University. She has taken a position with the Department of Neurological Surgery at Wayne State University School of Medicine. While pursuing



**Carolyn Black**

her master's degree. She is evaluating biopolymer-coated hydrocephalic shunts through in vivo research.

Army Pvt. Shawn M. Hunter has graduated from the Light-Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic Advanced Individual Training (AIT) course at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C. Hunter is the son of Kim M. Hunter of Grosse Pointe Farms and Dana A. Hunter of Grosse Pointe Woods. He is a 2004 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

Renee M. Rosso of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the dean's list for the spring semester of 2006 at Columbia College in Chicago. She will be a senior in the fall majoring in photography/business.

Daniel F. Rosso of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the dean's list at Michigan State University for the spring semester of 2006. He will be entering the Eli Broad School of Business in the fall.

Air Force Reserve 2nd Lt. Brandon D. Bush graduated from the Air Force Basic Officer Training program at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala. Bush, who

has been selected for pilot training, is assigned to the 434th Air Refueling Wing, Grissom Air Reserve Base in Peru, Ind. He is the son of Samuel D. and Elaine M. Bush of Grosse Pointe Farms. In 2001, he graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School, and earned a bachelor's degree in 2005 from Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.

The following Grosse Pointers were named to the dean's list at the University of Michigan Dearborn for winter 2006 and part-time fall 2005 and winter 2006: Ryan Ash, Ramsay Macdonald, Mark Smith, Edmond Kotwick, Laura Wilton, Lindsay Woucyna and Ian Kennedy.

Trina Bresser Matous of Grosse Pointe Park earned a Master of Arts degree in Christian ministry from Ashland Theological Seminary.

Christopher Kenney of Grosse Pointe Shores has been named to the dean's list in the University of Notre Dame's First Year of Studies for outstanding scholarship during the spring 2006 semester.

Kate Amlin of Grosse Pointe City graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in political science from Bryn Mawr College in Bryn Mawr, Pa. She spent her junior year at the London School of Economics. This fall she will enter the masters program at the University of Chicago in security issues involving U.S. Russian nuclear nonproliferation.

Ann Swickland, daughter of Joe and Susan "Kitty" Swickland of Grosse Pointe, graduated cum laude from the College of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, N.M., with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education.

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NORTH BASEBALL

## Seniors play key roles in title



The seniors on Grosse Pointe North's baseball team celebrate the state Division I championship they won in Battle Creek last weekend. In front, from left, are Michael Kaiser, Jamie Sheppard and Brad Herman. In back, from left, are Tom Ziemiecki, Matt Lombardi, Laurence Briski, Adam Miller, Bill Matouk and Mike Raymond.

## GPYC to host youth regatta

When Hurricane Katrina destroyed the Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans, the remaining mess consisted of more than debris from the storm.

It also left the dilemma of where to host the 2006 U.S. Youth Sailing Championships, the nation's premier youth sailing event.

Seeing a fellow yacht club in distress, the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club stepped in and agreed to host the event, which begins on June 22 and continues through June 29.

The GPYC had only six months to plan the event.

"On a cold December night, I presented the horrific pictures of the destruction of the Southern Yacht Club to the GPYC board of directors," said Dan Bracciano, a GPYC member and chairman of this year's U.S. Sailing Youth Championship.

"The Southern Yacht Club is over 1,000 miles away from Grosse Pointe but they were still our yachting neighbor in deep trouble. The response from Commodore Robert Kay and the board of directors was unanimous — 'we need to do this. It is the right thing to do.'"

After the board gave its approval to host the event, the GPYC gathered a team of volunteers to take on the task of organizing the event.

"In the Corinthian spirit of sailing, the support from other

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Grosse Pointe North coach Frank Sumbera is flanked by assistant coaches Mike Stevenson, left, and Nick Thomson after the Norsemens' 7-5 victory against University of Detroit Jesuit in the state Division I championship game. It was the second state title for Sumbera, who led the Norsemens to the Class A championship in 1980. The finale also had special meaning for the two assistant coaches. It marked the 25th anniversary of the championship Stevenson won as a member of the Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher squad. Stevenson's two sons, Sean and Michael, are members of this year's North team. After the game, Thomson, Sumbera's longtime assistant in both baseball and football, announced that he was retiring from the baseball job. "It can't get any better than this," he said. "This is the time to go out."

ROWING

## Local rowers are second in nation

A group of students from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South teamed up to win a silver medal in the USRowing National Youth Championships.

The men's youth four plus coxswain boat, representing the Detroit Boat Club, finished second to a boat from Beacon Hill (N.J.) in the event at Harsha Lake, which is near Cincinnati.

Nearly 140 teams from across the country participated in the event, with more than 40 boats rowing in the men's youth 4+ division.

The DBC team of coxswain

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SPORTS

## Records fall

Several North girls do well in state Division I track meet PAGE 3C

## Briski, Herman, Kaiser and Miller on All-State squads

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Most state championship teams have a solid group of seniors to provide leadership and stability.

Grosse Pointe North's Division I state championship baseball team is no exception.

Three of the seniors — Laurence Briski, Michael Kaiser and Adam Miller — made the All-State Dream Team, and Brad Herman was selected to the Division I first team.

"It's amazing to have four All-Staters, but they're all deserving," said coach Frank Sumbera, who earned an award of his own when he was named Coach of the Year.

While the four All-Staters got most of the recognition, North probably wouldn't have won its second state championship and first since 1980 without the help of the other five seniors on the team.

"They all contributed," Sumbera said. "In a lot of ways this team reminded me of that 1980 team. It had the same camaraderie. They hung out a lot together and had a lot of the same family things."

Sumbera talked about the individual contributions of each of his upperclassmen.

"Kaiser was the heart of the team," Sumbera said. "He's one of those kids who never gives up, and he leads by example."

Kaiser was the starting pitcher in the regional semifinal against Grosse Pointe South, the quarterfinal against Allen Park and the state semifinal against Bay City Central and he won all three of those games. He also won the regional final against Warren De La Salle and earned the save in the state final against U-D.

"He didn't get Mr. Baseball, but if they gave out a Conn Smythe Award (which goes to the top player in the Stanley Cup playoffs) in high school baseball, he would have won hands down," Sumbera said. "There was nobody better in the playoffs."

Briski, who injured his knee in his second at bat in the first inning of the championship game, and was on crutches for the postgame celebration, was the Norsemens' leading home run hitter. He had missed the entire 2005 season with a shoulder injury.

"He's another one who led by example," Sumbera said. "He was our cleanup hitter and one of the big threats in our lineup."

Miller moved to shortstop and second base after playing most of his high school career in center field, and provided North with excellent infield play.

He was also the leadoff hitter and set the school record for stolen bases.

"Adam did so many good things for us," Sumbera said, "with his hitting, his speed on the bases, and his great defense in the infield."

Herman was the Norsemens' regular catcher, but he also pitched and played the outfield.

"He was our chatterbox," Sumbera said. "He was always taking the positive approach, and kept everyone fired up."

Bill Matouk, who came into the season as an infielder, moved to left field. He led the team in walks and played steady defense.

"He was hurt most of last year, and started the season at third base, but (Matt) Koppinger's arm was a little stronger at third so we moved Billy to left field," Sumbera said. "He always did a good job of hitting the cutoff man and he made some nice catches, like the one in the seventh inning Saturday."

Matt Lombardi was the backup catcher and was often used at the designated hitter. He batted ninth, but had several clutch hits, especially in the state tournament. His two-run single capped North's seven-run rally in the first inning of the championship game.

"He's another one of those kids, who'll do anything you ask and we had a lot of those on this team," Sumbera said. "He's a pretty good defensive catcher and he swings a good bat. He hit .457 and got a lot of clutch hits."

Tom Ziemiecki was one of North's regular starting pitchers and posted an 8-0 record.

"He did a great job for us," Sumbera said. "He won some big league games. He's a smart pitcher. When he wasn't pitching he was charting the pitches for us."

Mike Raymond and Jamie Sheppard were cut from the team as juniors because North had an abundance of pitchers, but they came back for their senior year and were key parts of a championship team.

"Raymond filled our need for a lefthander," Sumbera said. "He has some velocity and a decent curve. He really helped out in our tough non-league schedule with doubleheaders and tournaments. Mike was also the guy who kept us loose on the bench."

"Sheppard had a great year. He pitched in 11 games and we had him warming up in the bullpen in the final game. He won three games and pitched a no-hitter in the Alpena tournament."

The Norsemens will miss the seniors next year, but there's a solid group of underclassmen led by Koppinger, Jon Chapel, Mike D'Agnese and Jeff Rohrkemper.

"That's a good group, too," Sumbera said. "But it'll be a challenge to match what these seniors did."

## North achieved goals and more with crown

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

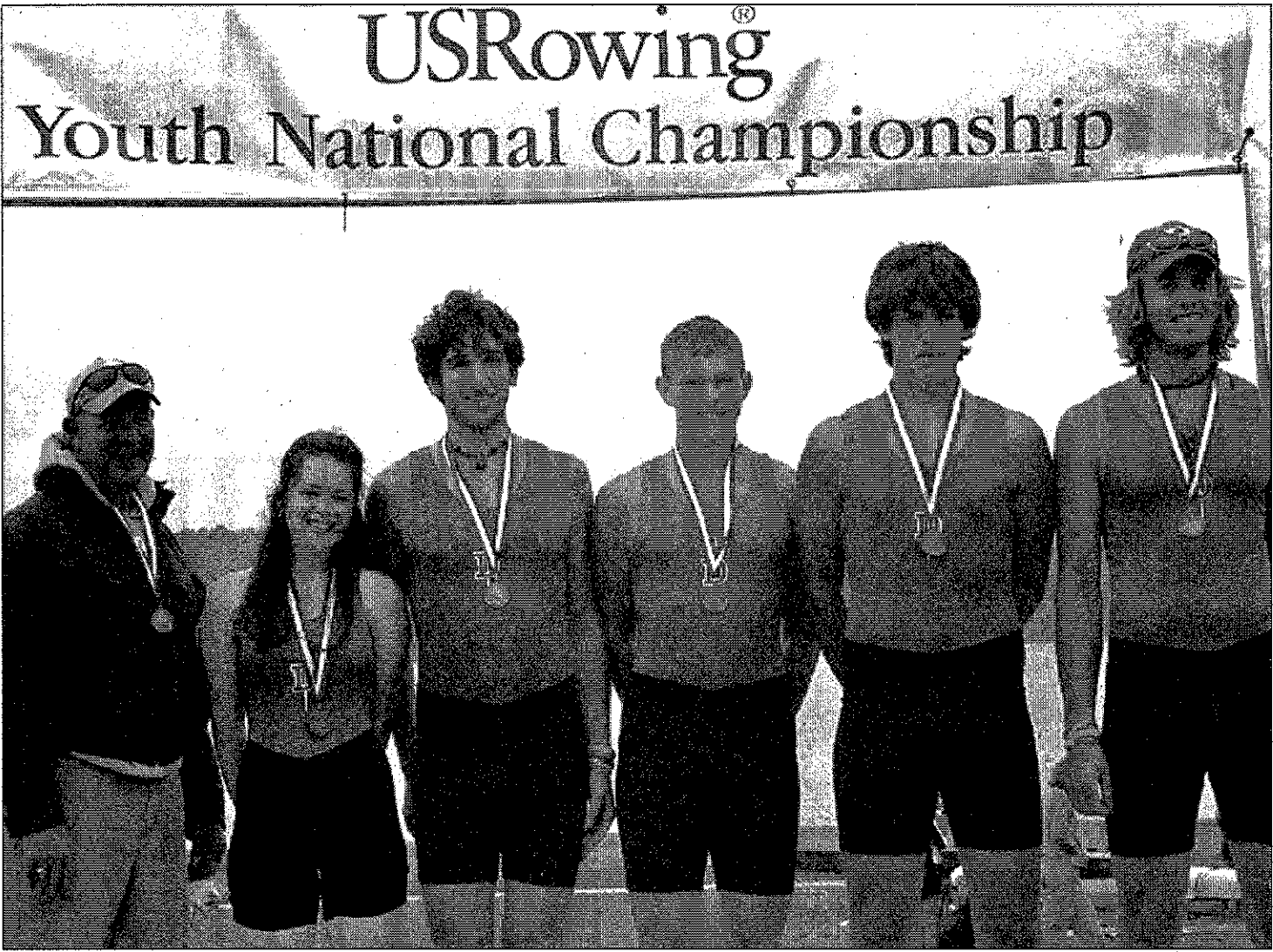
Frank Sumbera knew that his 2006 Grosse Pointe North baseball team would be good. He just didn't know how good.

"I don't think you can ever say that you're going to go 38-

1 and win a state championship," Sumbera said after the Norsemens won their second state title and first since 1980 with a 7-5 victory in the Division I final against University of Detroit Jesuit.

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Members of the Detroit Boat Club men's youth 4+ boat that finished second at the US Rowing National Youth Championships near Cincinnati, receive their silver medals. From left, are coach Dick Bell, coxswain Kelsey Hartung, Robert Bashara, Hunter Freeman, Eric Jorgenson and Chris Cullen.

ROWING:  
Team was fourth in '05

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Kelsey Hartung, Chris Cullen, Eric Jorgenson, Hunter Freeman and Robert Bashara had the lead for most of the race but was edged at the end

by the New Jersey boat. The DBC boat, which set a course record at the Midwest Championships last month, had a runner-up time of 6:59.23. Bashara, Freeman and Hartung are seniors at South, while Cullen and Jorgenson are juniors at North. Bashara and Freeman plan to continue rowing in college at Purdue and St. Joseph's, respectively. In last year's national

championships, the same DBC boat was fourth. Hard work has paid off for the team, which has rowed together for nearly 2 1/2 years. The group practices twice a day — at 4:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. — five or six days a week. Jason Koch was ninth in the men's youth single petite with a time of 8:14.45. The men's youth light-weight 4+ boat was 11th with

Alex Duncan (cox), Ross Nuechterlein, A.J. Domzalski, Jeff Johnson and Tim Cragg. The women's youth 8+ team finished first in the C final and 13th overall with a time of 7:28.53. In the boat were Margaret Dienek (cox), Lauren Shook, Caroline Sweeny, McKenzie Largay, Elizabeth Kalina, Clare Vandelinder, Brooke Largay, Megan Peters and Olivia Knodt.

GPYC:  
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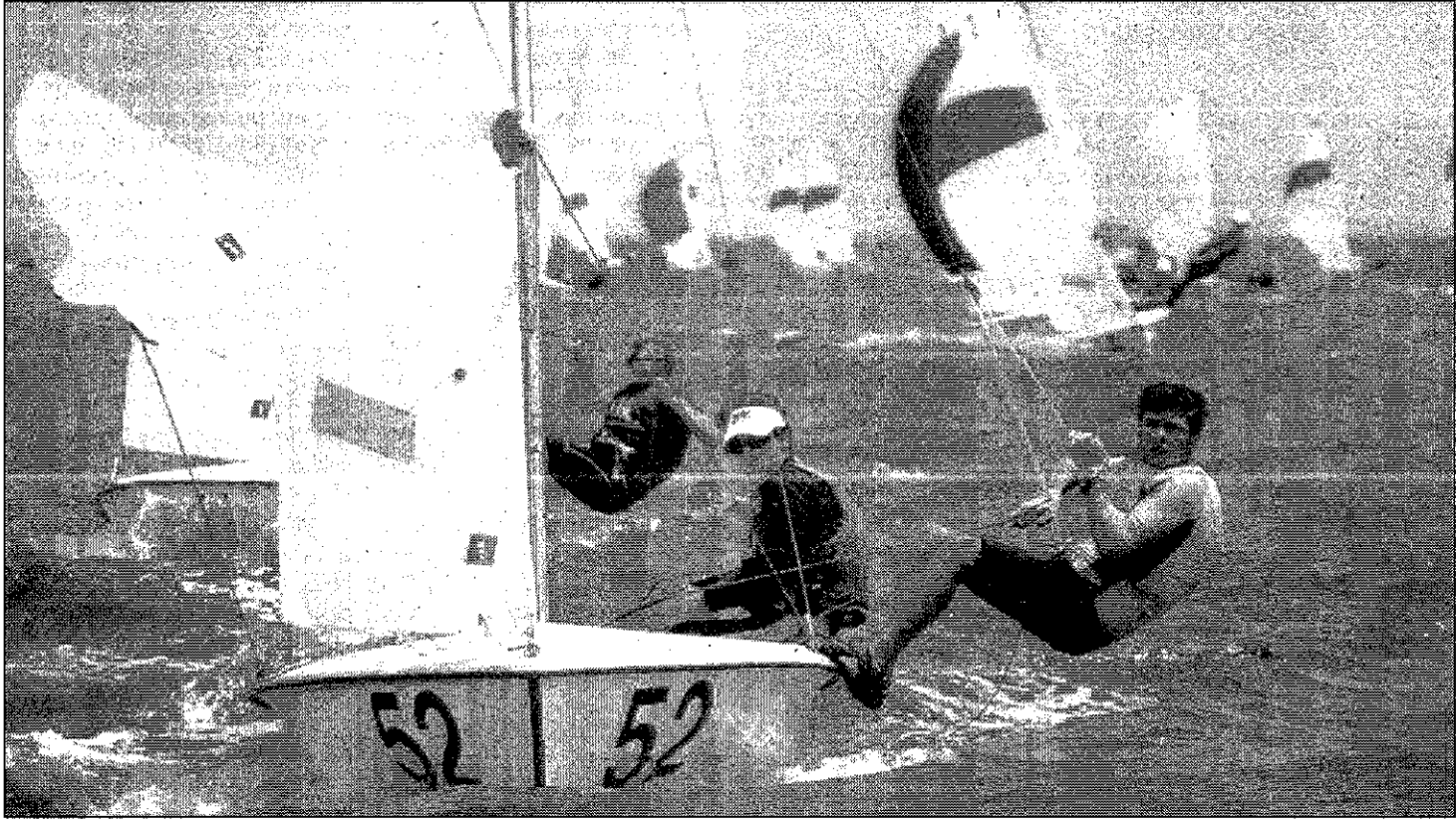
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clubs within the Detroit Regional Yacht Racing Association (DRYA) has been

tremendous," Bracciano said. "Members from Crescent Sail Yacht Club, Bayview Yacht Club and Detroit Yacht Club volunteered to work on committees. Through the diversity of these talented individuals, we have been able to rapidly address the multitude of issues required to host the event." During the event, 150 youth sailors will spend three days

sailing together in an advanced racing clinic with the U.S. Olympic Sailing program coaches, and the next three days competing in Club 420s (doublehanded dinghies), Lasers and Laser Radials (singlehanded dinghies), and 29ers (doublehanded skiff). Racing will begin Monday. The event is sponsored by Vanguard Sailboats and

Nautica. The highest eligible finishers of the Laser fleet will be named to the U.S. Youth World Team and will represent the country at the Youth World Championships in Weymouth, England, next month. That sailor will also qualify for the national singlehanded championships in Milwaukee in August.



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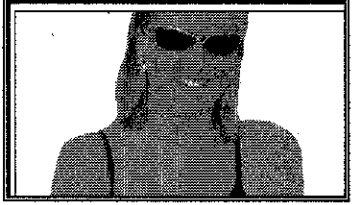
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ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

Local sailors  
are doing well



"Do the math and you can see how much fun we're having," Some quipped in an email message sent by satellite phone. "That said, last night was another beautiful night's sail."

From Lake St. Clair, you can sail any waters of the world. Grosse Pointers are proving it this week.

From premiere regional events to time-honored offshore competitions to practice sessions leading potentially to the Olympics, they're sailing. And sailing well.

Closest to home, the Burton brothers — Bruce of the Farms and Glenn of the City, won the Lands' End Chicago NOOD Regatta last weekend sailing their Etchells 22 against 10 other boats.

(Incidentally, I've always loved the abbreviation for National Offshore One Design — it just makes it a difficult thing to discuss on the phone at work: "Are you doing the NOOD this weekend? Are you going to the NOOD in Chicago?" The co-workers just have to wonder.)

The Burtons posted "bullet," or first-place finishes, in seven of the nine races during the three-day NOOD in Chicago.

Guys, why the two "losses"? (OK, so they were a second and a third, not exactly shabby.)

"We were a little rusty, not having sailed since Miami in February except for a Tuesday night race off Grosse Pointe Park," Glenn Burton said. "It was very unstable air with typical Chicago puffs. When a boat just four boat lengths off your quarter is 15 degrees higher, it's frustrating."

Still, it was a convincing win, and with the Echells World Championships in Chicago in two years, the Burtons plan more time there with their third crew member, Jon Easley who lives in western Michigan.

Lake St. Clair is usually well represented at the Lake Michigan NOOD, but with a bit of a distraction on the East Coast, many sailors headed there last week instead of to the Windy City.

Six boats owned by Bayview Yacht Club members traveled to Newport, Rhode Island for last weekend's start of the Centennial Newport Bermuda Race.

Denali, Sagitta and Trader, all owned by resident Pointers, were among the 263-boat fleet starting of Narragansett Bay in about 15 knots of breeze last Friday. But that wind largely died off and left the boats searching for wind during the weekend and into what is normally the "work" week.

Sagitta, owned by Jon Some of the Park, reported Tuesday morning that sailing was slow. About 83 miles from the finish line, the instruments on board Sagitta predicted it would take 81 hours to reach the island at current speed.

Meanwhile, further across the pond, Grosse Pointe's Carrie Howe is training with her team for the Yngling World Championships scheduled for June 30 to July 8 in La Rochelle, France.

Howe, who grew up sailing at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, competes with Wisconsin native Sally Barkow with eyes on Beijing in 2008. The Yngling is the women's keelboat event in the games.

Last year they won the "trifecta" of women's sailing: the Yngling World Championships in Italy, the Rolex Women's International Women's Keelboat Championships in Annapolis, and the Women's World Match Racing Championships in Bermuda.

The team, with third member Debbie Capozzi, of New York, is spending the weeks prior to the La Rochelle event tuning up there against other teams.

"We have three weeks to learn the wind, weather and competition," Howe said. "La Rochelle is a very tricky venue. The Worlds are in full force because the Olympics are only two years away. Keeping an edge is our game."

For those of us who aren't traveling or worrying about the Olympics, there are a few upcoming events closer to home:

The Great Lakes Singlehanded Society has its annual solo race from Port Huron to Mackinac starting Saturday. While I have had races where I didn't want to see my crew mates once we hit the dock, I can't imagine racing solo for more than an afternoon buoy course. On Sail wishes this fleet a safe and successful ride to the island!

South Port Sailing Club in Tecumseh, Ontario, is hosting its 4th annual Women's Challenge Regatta Sunday. The event is open to all boats competing with an all-female crew, though a male owner is allowed on board as long as he only assists "to preserve the safety of the crew or the boat."

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club is well known for its Tuesday night series with off-the-pier starts at Windmill Pointe Park. This Tuesday, the club is doing a little extra. Sailors, their friends and any other volunteers can donate blood at the second annual "Sail for Life" blood drive from 3 to 9 p.m.

My skipper, Dr. John Harper, of Grosse Pointe Woods, and I plan to sail there, donate, and then do the race. At least we'll have an excuse if we lose that night...

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ULS GIRLS LACROSSE

Lose in regional final

By Bob St. John  
Sports Writer

The heavy underdog University Liggett School girls lacrosse team took on perennial state title contender Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart in a Division II regional championship game last weekend.

"We had nothing to lose and everything to gain in this game," ULS head coach Tamara Fobare said.

The Lady Knights gave it a solid effort, but the defending state champs were far too tough, winning 19-1.

Lauren Strickland scored the Lady Knights' only goal midway through the opening half.

Sacred Heart was all business, taking a 1-0 lead just 19

seconds into the contest.

The Lady Knights crushed L'Anse Creuse 20-2 in the regional semifinal game.

Fobare guided ULS to a 4-7 record this season. She loses Strickland, Erin Fleck, Ebony Williams and Alyssa Bronikowski to graduation.

However, a bulk of the team, including offensive standouts Sam Troyanovich, Ann Zinkel and Simone LaHood, will return next season, along with Katherine Olson, Julie Stockmann, Kamille LaRosa, Chloe Silver, Gem Manalo, Jacqueline Nicholas, Dimitra Leheta, Luisa Myavec, Stephanie Watts-Garcia, Meghan Wilson, Tracy Gray, Jamie Bow, Katherine Fitzgerald and Anna Myavec.





Several members of the Grosse Pointe Barbarians rugby team were selected to a Detroit area all-star team that played a Windsor, Ontario, all-star squad. From left, are coach Andy Turner, Phil Cackowski, Danny Lewandowski, Mike Brown, Bob Alexander, Sean Foley, Alex Edwards, Bob Barker, Frank Mabry, Curt Mumaw and coach Jim Hinkins.

## Local rugby stars crush Windsor

Several members of the Grosse Pointe Barbarians rugby team played a key role in an international match between a Detroit area high school all-star team and a Windsor, Ontario, high school all-star squad.

Grosse Pointers on the boys all-star team were Mike Brown, Bob Alexander, Bob Barker, Curt Mumaw, Frank Mabry, Phil Cackowski, Danny Lewandowski, Sean

Foley and Alex Edwards.

Andrea Atsalakis was on the girls all-star team.

All are former or present Grosse Pointe South students.

The Detroit area boys team defeated Windsor 44-0. Barker scored three tries and was named the most valuable back.

Alexander scored a try and two conversions, while Foley played the entire 60-minute match.

The Detroit area girls and Windsor played to a scoreless tie.

Several of the Grosse Pointe players plan to continue playing rugby in college next year. Alexander will play at Penn State, Mumaw at Michigan State and Atsalakis at Central Michigan. Barker plans to play soccer at Central Michigan.

Brown plays for the Detroit Rugby Club and was named Rookie of the Year last season.

## NORTH: League title was first goal

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(The story of the championship game is on page 1A.)

"Our goal at the start of the year was to win back-to-back league (Macomb Area Conference White Division) championships and to win 20-plus games again."

The big question mark surrounding this year's team was its inexperience on the mound.

"We didn't know how the pitching by committee would work out," Sumner said. "But (Michael) Kaiser really stepped up after pitching only a few innings last year. He set a record for innings pitched and matched the 13-0 record that (Bill) Babcock had for us in 1980."

This was one of the best hitting teams in North history.

"We were solid one through nine in the lineup," Sumner said. "We had a team batting average of .406, which surpassed anyone's expectations. The 1980 team batted .364. They could hit the ball, too, but this year's team was a little bit better."

Kaiser pitched complete games in North's 10-0 victory against Allen Park in the state quarterfinal and in the 9-3 win against Bay City Central in the

semifinals.

In the semifinal contest, Kaiser scattered seven hits, struck out three and walked one. Only one of the runs was earned.

North took control of the game with three runs in the first inning.

With two out, Laurence Briski walked, Brad Herman singled and Mike D'Agnes hit an RBI double. Jon Chapel cleared the bases with a triple to deep right field.

Bay City scored twice in the fourth. Ben Wall and Kevin Dore hit back-to-back doubles for the first run. The next two batters made outs, but a throwing error on an infield single allowed the second run to score, cutting the Norsemen's lead to 3-2.

North quickly burst the Warriors' bubble with a four-run outburst in the bottom of the inning.

"That was the key to the game," Sumner said. "It took away the momentum that they had gained with their two runs."

Jon Chapel led off the fourth with a walk and Matt Koppinger singled to shortstop. Bill Matouk moved the runners up with a sacrifice and Matt Lombardi followed with a sacrifice fly. Singles by Adam Miller and Kaiser produced two runs. After a walk to Briski, Herman drove in the final run of the inning with a single to right.

Bay City scored another un-

earned run in the fifth on Dore's RBI single.

North closed out the scoring with two runs in the sixth. Briski walked, moved to third on a wild pickoff attempt and scored on Herman's single. Herman stole second, moved to third on another throwing error, and scored on Koppinger's single.

Kaiser was brilliant in the quarterfinal game.

He gave up a single to the first batter of the game, who was erased on an attempted steal, and retired the next 17 in order.

Kaiser said after the game that he threw even better than he did in beating Grosse Pointe South 2-1 in the regional semifinal.

Once again, North struck early with three runs in the first inning.

Miller walked, stole second and took third on Kaiser's single. Briski, Herman and D'Agnes followed with RBI singles.

Singles by Herman, Chapel and Koppinger loaded the bases for North in the third inning. Matouk drove in one run with a sacrifice fly and the other scored on Lombardi's single.

Briski hit a two-run homer in the fourth inning. The Norsemen added a run in the fifth on a walk to Matouk, a wild pitch and Miller's single.

D'Agnes ended the game on a mercy rule in the sixth with a two-run homer.

## NORTH GIRLS TRACK

# Two school records fall at state meet

Grosse Pointe North's Betsy Graney broke one long-standing school record and just missed setting another at the state Division I girls track championships.

Graney took fourth place in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 5:00.81 to shatter the old mark of 5:04 set by Kathy Schmidt in 1981.

Graney also ran in the 3,200, and her time of 11:23.94 was less than a second off the school record of 11:23.44,

which is held by Laura Fisher.

North's Lauren Flanagan was eighth in the discus with a personal record of 118-feet-10.

Graney and Flanagan each earned All-State honors for their performances.

North's 400 relay team of Danielle Hubler, Rebecca Pollard, Korene Jones and Kelly DeFauw set a school record of 50.75.

All the relay team members are seniors except DeFauw.

DeFauw, a sophomore, also

advanced to the semifinals in the 200 dash.

The Norsemen's 1,600 relay team of DeFauw, Hubler, Graney and Katie Graves had an impressive time of 4:07.62, which just missed the school record of 4:06.3.

"Overall, it was a fantastic season," said assistant coach Diane Montgomery. "It's great to score points at the state meet and break a couple of school records at the same time."

## SAILING

# Local sailors come back

Skipper Chris Van Tol with crew J.B. Shumaker and Kevin Thomas defeated seven other teams to win the Bayview Yacht Club Spring Match Racing Invitational on the Detroit River.

Van Tol of Grosse Pointe Park was second in the standings behind skipper Bora Gulari after the round-robin racing which pitted each of the eight skippers against each other one time.

In the best-of-three final, Van Tol won the first two races

against Gulari to claim the title.

"The difference in the finals was the crew was sailing proactively," Van Tol said. "They were fully prepared going into each start, which allowed me to have complete focus. It took us an entire round robin to bring it all together and feel entirely confident going into the finals to win."

Van Tol is an avid match racer who is ranked 13th in the United States. Last year he placed second in the U.S. Sailing Match Racing

Championships.

"Match racing allows sailors to become well-rounded in their sailing skills and knowledge of the rules," Van Tol said. "It demands fast thinking and leaves very little margin for error."

Adam Hollerbach of Grosse Pointe Farms was third in the Bayview Invitational, Perrin Fortune of the City of Grosse Pointe was fifth, Alex Simon of Grosse Pointe Woods was sixth and Kent Colpaert of the Park was eighth.

## SOUTH SOCCER

# Rochester ends tournament hopes

Grosse Pointe South's girls soccer team's state tournament hopes and 13-game streak without a loss were shattered by fourth-ranked Rochester in a Division I regional semifinal match at Novi.

The Falcons scored four times in the second half on the way to a 6-2 victory.

Rochester opened the scoring six minutes into the match when a good pass from Amanda Bowery found Amber Brewster unguarded in front of the South goal and her shot was on the mark.

South tied the match 15 seconds later. On the ensuing kickoff, Anna Cunningham took the ball to the right corner and launched a cross in front

of the Falcons' goal, and it was headed in by Lindsay Krall.

The score remained tied for the next 19 minutes before Brewster gained possession at midfield, evaded several Blue Devils players and beat goalie Alyssa Carr with a hard shot to the right from 25 yards out.

South coach Gene Harkins encouraged his team at half-time, telling it, "get the next goal and the match will turn in our favor. You can beat their defenders."

That didn't happen, however, as Bowery headed home Brittany Hopkins's corner kick to give the Falcons a 3-1 lead at 6:28 of the second half.

South changed strategy, first to three defenders, and later

substituting speedy Lisa Repicky for goalkeeper Carr. Repicky would be near midfield to help the offense, but at the same time would be quick enough to defend the goal.

Brewster foiled the strategy by scoring on a high, hard shot from 20 yards away.

Hanna Kleiner and Hopkins added goals for Rochester before Liz Lightbody scored her first varsity goal for South.

Falcons goalkeeper Laura VanHoeve had to make eight saves while South's trio had 10.

South finished the season with a 14-5-3 record. It was the final match for seniors Repicky, Meghan Carey, Jae March and Emily Walton.

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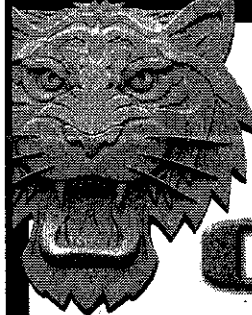
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Friday Night Fireworks compliments of Pepsi (post-game, weather permitting).

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Saturday, June 24, 7:05

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Sunday, June 25, 1:05

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**1334** Kensington, Friday, Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm. Eclectic treasures. Best quality toys, clothes, fabric, quilting, sewing, shoes, books, kitchen.

**1941** Littlestone, Grosse Pointe Woods. Friday only, 9am- 3pm. Ladies golf clubs, name brand teen boy clothing, furniture more.

**21940** Chalon, St. Clair Shores/ St. Joan Court. Friday- Saturday, 8am-3pm. Furniture- bedding- antique quilts- fur- music box collection- grill- fabric- TV- VCR.

**40'S** Ball/ Claw dining set, 4 chairs, 70's bedroom set, Yu-Gi-Oh! card collection, wooden ironing board, adult & children's clothes, skates, blades. Saturday June 24th only, 9:00am- 4:00pm 2048 Lancaster. Grosse Pointe Woods.

**5** family sale. ST. Clair Shores. 21725 East 8 Mile. Between Mack & Harper. Thursday- Saturday. 8:30am- 3:30pm. Furniture, toys, household, ladies & children's clothing, etc.

**757/ 764** Loraine. Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Lots of household, decorative, can't live without stuff!

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**DESIGNER** children's clothing, baby and household items. 991 Fisher. Friday, 6/ 23; 9am- 4pm, Saturday, 9am- 2pm.

**EASTPOINTE** 18310 Holland, Kelly/ 9 Mile. Friday, Saturday 9:00am- 5:00pm.

**FARMS**, 172 Kenwood, Friday, Saturday 9:00am- 3:00pm. Neighborhood sale, bikes, furniture, grill, mower, household, misc. items.

**GARAGE/** antique sale, 22406 Blackburn, St. Clair Shores. Off Jefferson between 9 & 10 Mile. Saturday, Sunday, 9:00am- 5:00pm

**GROSSE** Pointe City- 537 Lakeland, 10am-2pm. Saturday. Estate moving sale- everything goes. Quality and vintage furniture, unusual items, men's, women's & children's clothes, linens, too much to list. Don't miss this one!

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 302 Mt. Vernon, corner Beaupre). Friday, Saturday 9:00am- 4:00pm. 3 family. antiques, 2 oak ice boxes, 5 Victorian bar stools. Misc.

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 307 McMillan. Saturday 9:00am- 3:00pm. Treadmill, custom made duvet with matching shams, prints, loads of decorative household.

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 340 Belanger. Friday, Saturday: 9am- 4pm. Huge 5 family sale.

**GROSSE** Pointe Farms, 409 Manor. Saturday, 9am- 2pm. Great bargains! Barrel planters, outdoor, books, furniture, household, ladies/ teens clothes, shoes. Fabrics, linens, plus much more!

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 1150 Whittier, Friday 9:00am- 3:00pm, Saturday 9:00am- 12:00pm. Furniture, framed art work, hockey & sporting equipment. Knitting machine, wheels & tires, misc.

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 1151 Cadieux. Friday, Saturday; 9am- 5pm. China, crystal, jewelry, books, cookware, household. Something for everyone!

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 1359 Berkshire. Thursday, Friday; 10am- 2pm. Furniture, kids stuff, household items.

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 1360 Three Mile. Saturday, 8am- 1pm. Toys, clothes. Household items.

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**GROSSE** Pointe Park, 796 Trombley. Friday, Saturday. 10am- 3pm. Household items, antiques, furniture, (cash only), jewelry.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 1545 Fairholme. Friday, Saturday, June 23rd, 24th. 8am- 5pm. Sports & household items.

**GROSSE** Pointe Woods, 857 Hawthorne/ Wedgewood. Thursday- Friday, 9am-3pm; Saturday, 9am-12pm. Doll collectors, furniture, Christmas, household items. Little bit of this, little bit of that!

**HARPER** Woods, 19978 Woodmont. Saturday, 10am- 4pm. Sunday 12- 4pm. Furniture, kitchen items.

**HARPER** Woods, 19993 Kingsville, Friday and Saturday 8am- 5pm. Something for everyone!

**HARPER** Woods, 21217 Parkcrest, between 7- 8 Mile/ East of I-94. Moving sale, lots of items, Friday Saturday 8:00am- 2:00pm.

**HUGE** 3 family garage sale. 823 University Place, Grosse Pointe. Saturday, 8am- 3pm. Bedroom set, dressers, crib, baby items, doll house, toys, hardware, printers, golf club carrying case/ carts, housewares, books, boys clothing.

**MOVING** sale, 407 Lothrop, Farms. Saturday 8:00am- 1:00pm, Sunday noon- 3:00pm. Don't miss this one, something for everyone!

**MOVING** sale, 565 Barrington, Grosse Pointe Park. Between Jefferson & Windmill Pointe Drive. Friday, Saturday 9:00am- 4:00pm. High quality furniture, "Morris chair & table". Cherry TV. cupboard, Rattan set, lawyers bookcase, dining room chairs, tools, hockey, baseball, T.V. electronics, bike, high quality clothing, many items at give away prices.

**MOVING** sale- Grosse Pointe Woods, 600 Hidden Lane (behind North High). Saturday, 9am sharp! Everything must go. Great deals and discounts. Dining and living room sets, piano, sofa, collectibles, T.V.s, refrigerators and much more.

**MOVING** 1842 Norwood. Friday, 8am- 3pm; Saturday, 8am- 12pm. Dining room chairs, antiques, etc.

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**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Adoption Society, pets for adoption. 313-884-1551, GPAAAS.org

**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic: some kittens for adoption. (313)822-5707

#### 505 LOST AND FOUND

**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic: male flat coat retriever black older dog. Golden retriever female, pink collar. (313)822-5707

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#### 600 AUTOMOTIVE CARS

**2003** Saturn Ion- 4 door auto, leather, compact disc. 65,000 miles. Silver. \$6,900. (313)882-1056

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**1999** 300M, excellent condition, 48,000 miles, all options. \$7,500. (313)884-7834

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**PLYMOUTH** Laser RS-1990. 5 speed manual, racing clutch. Stage 3 turbo. HKS cold air induction. 26,375 miles. \$3,500/ best. 313-885-0244, 313-268-8614

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**1999** Mercury Mystique, red, 4 door, automatic, 4 cylinder, 67K miles, power, CD, air bags. Grosse Pointe seller, \$4,500. (734)657-2407

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**1084** Beaconsfield, 2 bedroom upper. Fresh, updated, newer carpeting. Off street parking. Non smoking. \$675/ month, includes heat. (313)882-8448

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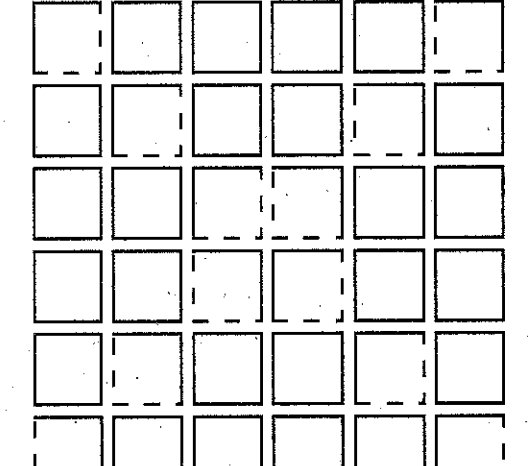
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