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## Week ahead

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### THURSDAY, NOV. 16

♦ A community briefing on cable reform, sponsored by the Michigan Citizen Action, takes place at 6 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Woods Library.  
♦ An Internet safety seminar will be presented from 9 to 10:15 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center on the campus of Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.  
♦ Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "70, Girls, 70" at 8 p.m. in Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. It can be seen at 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 17, and Saturday, Nov. 18. Reserve a ticket by calling (313) 881-4004.  
♦ A 2007 Aston Martin DB9 will be the highlight of the James Bond Casino Royale party beginning at 7 p.m. at the Roostertail Catering Club. Proceeds from the auction items, which include trips, fur coats and theater, sports and fine dining packages, will benefit the Children's Home of Detroit's assessment center services. For tickets ranging in price from \$125 to \$170, call (313) 886-0800, extension 120.

### SATURDAY, NOV. 18

♦ Pops & Pastries begins at 7:30 p.m. in Grosse Pointe South High School gym. Selections by bands, orchestras, the jazz band, Fiddlepointe and the cello choir will accompany the evening. Tickets are \$10 at the door or at Posterity in the Village.

### SUNDAY, NOV. 19

♦ Grosse Pointe Chamber Music presents a concert at 2:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Tickets at the door are \$8 and \$4 for children 6 to 15. For more information, call (313) 885-4633.  
♦ A weaving workshop with Marilyn Prucka will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Art Center, 1005 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park. The cost is \$50. For more information, call (313) 821-1848.

### MONDAY, NOV. 20

♦ City of Grosse Pointe council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 17147 Maumee.  
♦ City of Grosse Pointe Woods council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Still gung-ho

Jean Gilbert, 88, of the City of Grosse Pointe, is one of only two female members of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Group. She was on hand to listen at last week's Veterans' Day Breakfast held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. See story, page 7A.

## GROSSE POINTE FARMS

### Ridge Road rezoning approved

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

The site plan and rezoning of a three-acre parcel of land at 190 Ridge to build four new homes was approved Monday, Nov. 13, by the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council.

The plan, submitted by property owners Mark and Kathy Leipsitz, required rezoning the

property from R-1AAA to R-1A. Site plan allows developers to seek permits to build the four new homes.

"The (new) homes are old-world designs," said Robert Wood, Leipsitz' representative. "We designed them to tie-in to the area."

The new plan reduced the original numbers of homes proposed for the property from

six to four. The council's approval ended what has been a long debate over plans for the property.

The four detached-home sites will be 85 feet wide, except for the corner lot, which will have nearly 100 feet facing Moran Road and 135 feet on Ridge Road.

Landscaping for the four lots will include a variety of ornamental grasses, ground covers, perennials, evergreen shrubs, ornamental trees and larger canopy trees. There are several existing mature trees that provided the framework for the proposed landscaping.

"We are hoping these designs enhance the area of Moran," Wood said. "It's important that we do this right."

There is no current timetable for construction of the new homes. Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said the approval gives the green light to developers to file for permit for construction.



DRAWING COURTESY ROBERT WOOD & ASSOCIATES

Planned R-1A zoning for the property at Moran and Ridge roads.

## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# AP tests becoming the norm

## Advanced Placement test-taking up 18 percent

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe students have been brushing up on their Shakespeare.

More than 92 percent of Pointe public high-schoolers passed the latest Advanced Placement test in English literature and composition.

The combined score from North and South high schools increased 7 percent from the year before.

Advanced Placement tests are given in spring. Results aren't received until fall.

Overall, the number of Advanced Placement tests taken by district students increased 18 percent over the previous year despite graduating classes expanding only 10 percent.

"The district percentage of seniors taking the test remains significantly higher than our like districts," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum.

She said Standard & Poor's tabulated the Pointes' participation rate at 52.1 percent com-

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## GROSSE POINTE BOARD OF EDUCATION

# School votes may be in fall

## Board may hold November elections

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Bed-sheet ballots common to second Tuesdays in November could get more or less snooze factor depending how voters feel about local school elections.

Members of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education next month will discuss sched-

uling their elections to coincide with dates voters head to the polls regarding state and national matters.

Board members haven't decided whether to schedule the topic as a public hearing during the Dec. 4 or 11 meeting.

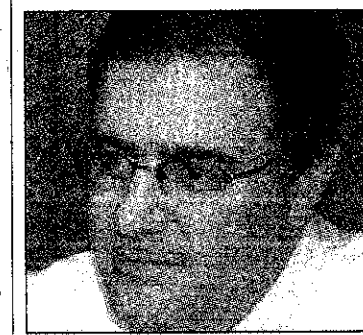
Pointe school elections are in May. Shifting them to November could save money and increase voter participation by piggybacking on larger political issues, said propo-

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

'We're like doctors in a MASH unit doing triage.'

### David Moss



Home: Grosse Pointe Park  
Age: 46

Family: Wife, Rachel Walpole; sons, Gabe, 16, and Ben, 12; and daughter, Julia, 9

Claim to fame: Heads the Disability Law Clinic at Wayne State University

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Yesterday's headlines

1956

50 years ago

MORE PARKING IN CITY:

A new attended parking lot opened in the Village shopping area to accommodate 75 cars. The lot, located behind Jacobson's department store, will lighten the demand for parking spaces in the district and was designed for cars parked for more than two hours. Rates for the lot are five cents for each half hour for the first hour and five cents for each hour after that.

GROSSE POINTERS FILL CHARITY COFFERS:

This year residents of Grosse Pointe contributed more to the Torch Drive campaign than at any other time. Altogether, Grosse Pointers donated \$352,349, the largest amount ever raised by any Detroit region.

The Torch Drive was coordinated by the Grosse Pointe Public School System, and the contributions easily surpassed the regional quota established for the area.

ENROLLMENT UP IN SCHOOLS:

The Grosse Pointe Public School System announced an increased school enrollment of 413, a 4.5 percent increase from the year before. There are currently 9,584 students enrolled in the school district.

POOL AT PARCELLS SCHOOL:

The cement pour for a new pool at Parcels Junior High School has been completed. Construction is expected to be done by next spring.

It is one of two pools being built by the school district for the benefit of all the residents of the Pointes.

1981

25 years ago

WOODS SEEKS SCHOOL FOR SENIOR HOUSING:

A Grosse Pointe Woods task force presented a proposal to

the Grosse Pointe Board of Education to convert unused school buildings into senior housing facilities.

The task force, centered out of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, found last year that there was no land available to construct housing for elderly residents. The task force approached the school district because falling enrollment prompted a recent school district study on the future use of the district's 15 buildings.

ELECTION RESULTS

**OVERTURNED:** It turns out that one of three Grosse Pointe Farms ballot proposals did pass last week after all. The proposal, which amends the city charter to delete a \$1,000 limitation for purchase and sale of city property, was originally announced to have been defeated by Farms residents.

City Manager Richard Solak attributed the mistake to human error. The proposal passed by a 1,411 to 1,161 margin.

HIGHER TAXES SLATED IN THE WOODS:

Residents of Grosse Pointe Woods will have to pony up more money in taxes after they approved a half mill property tax increase last week.

Boat owners will also see a likely increase in dock fees after residents OK'd a referendum for the construction of new docks at Lake Front Park.

The property tax increase will pay for the only life support ambulance unit in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

"T-BIRD BANDIT"

**CAUGHT:** A Grosse Pointe Woods man was apprehended and charged by police in connection with two armed robberies in the Woods. Police believe he may have committed 13 other crimes in different eastside cities.

The robberies had earned the suspect the moniker "T-Bird Bandit" since an early model Ford Thunderbird was witnessed leaving the scene of several robberies.



PHOTO BY FRED RUNNELLS

## 1956: From military site to middle school

Despite global tensions over the Suez canal crisis in the Middle East, here in the Pointes the clouds are not those of war, but progress. Just a few days ago this site at Lothrop and Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms was an anti-Aircraft Army Camp protecting the industrial Detroit area. It is being cleared to make way for the construction of Brownell Middle School.

1996

10 years ago

HELP WANTED: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT:

The Grosse Pointe School District is still accepting applications for the superintendent position left vacant following the resignation of Ed Shine last summer.

The district announced sev-

eral candidates have applied for the post, most having excellent credentials. The deadline to apply is Nov. 29.

MR. RICHNER GOES TO LANSING:

Andrew Richner was elected as the eastside's representative to the state house of representatives, defeating Democrat Elaine Hartman by more than 7,000 votes. Richner, a former Wayne County Commissioner, called the election "bittersweet" because Democrats wrested con-

trol of the house from Republicans.

TEACHERS STILL WITH- OUT CONTRACT:

Two months have passed since the last labor contract expired between the Grosse Pointe teacher's union and the school board.

Bargaining continues at least once a week between the Grosse Pointe Education Association, which represents the district's 510 teachers, and the school board. Both sides expressed confidence that a new deal will be hammered out soon.

CAVANAGH FILLS COUN- TY SEAT:

With the election of Chris Cavanagh, Democrats recaptured the county commissioner's seat vacated by Republican Andrew Richner. Cavanagh defeated Republican challenger Mary Ellen Stempfle by nearly 3,000 votes.

Cavanagh says his focus will be on the environment, education and blight.

week in a communication from the city. The plan has been complicated because the recent election added four new names to the existing council.

The Farms announced last week it had purchased houses at 159 and 163 McKinley for the purpose of constructing the lot.

FOUR NEW FACES ON FARMS COUNCIL:

Discontent over the Farms council's recent controversial decision to raze two McKinley homes to build a parking lot, is believed to have been the catalyst behind voters electing four new members to the city council.

The new members are Charles "Terry" Davis III, James Farquhar Jr., Louis Theros and Therese Joseph. The sole incumbent, Lisa Gandelot, and the top vote-getter in the August primary, placed sixth over eight overall.

City clerk Shane Reeside said the vote total was double of what the Farms normally tallies during a local election.

ROBSON RETURNS TO PARK COUNCIL:

After an eight-year hiatus, Paul Robson was returned to the Grosse Pointe city council, along with incumbent Shirley J. Kennedy and appointee Samuel Nouhan.

Robson, who placed third in the balloting, was a council member from 1985 to 1993.

Mayor Palmer Heenan was once again re-elected, as was municipal Judge Carl Jarboe, who won for a third time.

—By John Lundberg

2001

Five years ago

PROPOSED HILL PARK- ING LOT NOT A 'DONE DEAL':

The proposed parking lot to be constructed on the Hill following the razing of two homes on McKinley is currently in limbo. The city council announced it had put on hold the purchase of the two properties.

Outraged neighborhood residents have protested the plan since it was announced last



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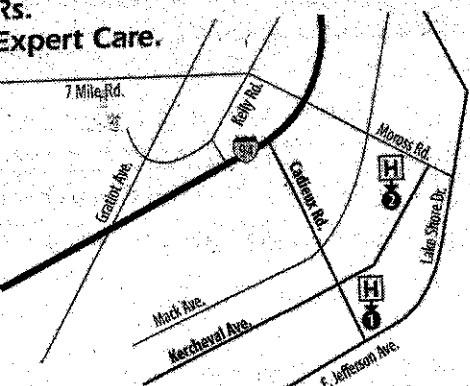
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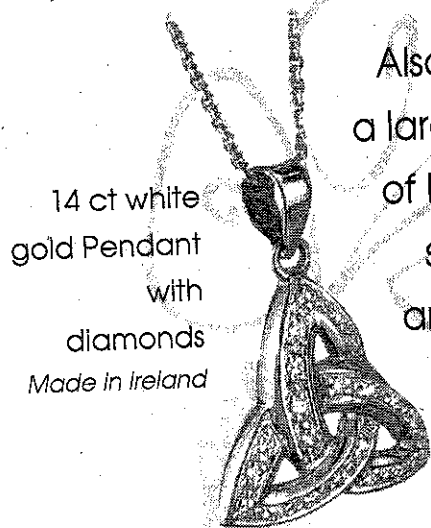


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# Incumbents returned to House, Senate



Ed Gaffney  
By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

Despite the national anti-incumbent fever that swept Democrats into power, voters from the Pointes returned two incumbents to Lansing: state Sen. Martha Scott and state Rep. Ed Gaffney.

In a tight race, Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, was re-elected to his third term, fighting off Democrat challenger Tim Bledsoe from the City of Grosse Pointe. The 19,500 to 17,304 victory margin was the closest vote Gaffney has encountered in his three elections for state representative.

"I was lucky to withstand the Democratic storm," Gaffney said. "(The vote) reflected trends statewide (of voters unhappy with Republicans)."

When Gaffney returns he will be a member of the minority party in Lansing for the first time, as Democrats took back control of the state House.

Gaffney, who is serving his third and final term due to term limits, campaigned largely on tax issues, particularly on a property tax code enacted in 1994 that dramatically increases property taxes once a house is sold.

The tax, termed the "pop-up tax," makes it all the more difficult for residents to sell their homes, he said, adding he plans to hit the ground running next year to change the provision.

"This is an issue that has to be addressed," Gaffney said. "When I return to Lansing I want to generate a discussion

about this important issue. We can't tax people out of the Pointes."

Bledsoe campaigned on education issues, and reducing the influence on Michigan politics by special interest groups.

"I was disappointed that we lost, but (overall) it was a good day to be a Democrat," Bledsoe said. "The influence of special interest groups is an issue that matters to voters. There is an eagerness for reform."

Bledsoe has not committed to another run in 2008, but added if things go well he'll "probably give it another try."

Meanwhile, Scott, D-Highland Park, had no such worries as she soundly defeated her Republican opponent, Michael Hoehn, 23, from the City of Grosse Pointe. Her margin of victory was 47,223 to 17,094. It was her second election as state senator. Overall, Republicans did retain control of the state Senate.

Scott campaigned heavily on insurance reform and how it relates to Detroit drivers and homeowners who pay some of the highest insurance rates in the country. She said the "redlining" of insurance rates means Detroiters pay up to four times more than those living in other parts of the state.

She could not be reached for comment.

Hoehn realized before the election that he faced a daunting challenge. In addition to his youth and political inexperience, the 2nd District leans heavily Democrat.

"I realized I had the odds stacked against me," Hoehn said. "Especially this year which was very difficult being a Republican. The election reflected (the national and state mood against Republicans)."

But those obstacles did not prevent Hoehn from putting forth an energetic campaign. He too focused on education and tax issues, particularly on improving education and its critical relationship with a growing economy.

"It was a learning experience," he said. "I really didn't know what I was walking into."

Hoehn plans to take some time to pursue post-graduate work in law and economics.

## 1ST DISTRICT COUNTY COMMISSIONER

# Killeen beats Dan Mercier

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Detroit's Tim Killeen (D) defeated Grosse Pointe Woods' Daniel Mercier (R) to gain the Wayne County Commissioner 1st District seat.

Killeen received 63 percent of the votes, winning 26,984 to Mercier's 15,489.

"I was a little surprised at the difference," Killeen said. "Now the election is over, it is time for me to begin serving my constituents."

Mercier carried Grosse Pointe Shores, receiving 1,059 votes to 335 for Killeen. In the City of Grosse Pointe, Mercier received 1,529 votes to 1,209 for Killeen.

In Grosse Pointe Farms, Mercier received 3,350 votes to Killeen's 1,761. He garnered more votes than Killeen in Grosse Pointe Woods, winning the city 4,718 to 3,237.

Killeen won only one of the Grosse Pointes, taking Grosse Pointe Park 2,922 to 2,518.

"We ran a solid campaign, gaining a pretty big lead in the Grosse Pointes," Mercier said. "I was able to gather a decent percentage of votes in Harper Woods, but not in Detroit. Mr. Killeen and I ran gentleman politics, focusing on the positives and not digging at each other. I'm sure Mr. Killeen will do a good job as the District 1 commissioner."

Killeen earned nearly two-thirds of his total votes in



Tim Killeen

Harper Woods and Detroit with 17,520 to Mercier's 2,315.

"I want to stay active with my constituents," Killeen said. "It's my job to keep everyone informed as to the relevance of county government and how it can work for them."

Killeen continues the Democratic dominance of District 1. Before him, fellow Democrat Chris Cavanagh served five consecutive two-year terms.

"I am going to get back to committing my time to my development company and maybe in a couple of years I will run for the state rep seat that will open up," Mercier said. "I will think about it, but for now we're wrapping up the campaign material and getting back to my business."

## State, county Nov. 7 election results

	City	Farms	Park	Shores	Woods	All Pointes	Total
<b>Governor</b>							
R-Dick DeVos	1,592	3,478	2,736	1,166	5,104	14,076	1,609,182
<b>D-Jennifer Granholm (I)</b>	1,322	2,048	3,146	385	3,579	10,480	<b>2,142,589</b>
<b>Secretary of State</b>							
R-Terri Lynn Land (I)	2,082	4,285	3,782	925	6,310	17,384	<b>2,091,533</b>
D-Carmella Sabaugh	775	1,129	1,909	231	2,138	6,182	1,561,380
<b>Attorney General</b>							
R-Mike Cox (I)	1,933	4,111	3,430	1,274	6,161	16,909	<b>1,987,890</b>
D-Amos Williams	876	970	2,224	243	2,210	6,523	1,604,922
<b>U.S. Senator</b>							
R-Michael Bouchard	1,614	3,569	2,791	1,175	5,116	14,265	1,560,786
<b>D-Debbie Stabenow (I)</b>	1,254	1,924	3,004	364	3,489	10,035	<b>2,151,495</b>
<b>State Senator</b>							
R-Michael Hoehn	1,574	3,433	2,719	1,103	4,911	13,740	17,104
<b>D-Martha Scott (I)</b>	1,133	1,459	2,716	321	3,058	8,687	<b>47,223</b>
<b>State Representative</b>							
R-Edward Gaffney (I)	1,771	3,935	3,218	1,207	5,950	16,081	<b>19,500</b>
D-Timothy Bledsoe	1,088	1,459	2,413	251	2,372	7,583	17,374
<b>County Executive</b>							
R-Ramon Patrick	1,233	2,785	2,518	928	3,788	11,252	120,106
<b>D-Robert Ficano (I)</b>	1,559	2,425	2,922	521	4,452	11,879	<b>492,297</b>
<b>County Commissioner</b>							
R-Daniel Mercier	1,529	3,350	2,518	1,059	4,718	13,174	15,489
<b>D-Tim Killeen</b>	1,209	1,761	2,922	335	3,237	9,464	<b>26,984</b>
<b>State Proposal 06-1: Conservation/Recreation Funds</b>							
Yes	2,188	3,540	4,499	1,157	6,665	18,049	<b>2,900,797</b>
No	559	962	1,031	281	1,475	4,308	677,172
<b>State Proposal 06-2: Affirmative Action Ban</b>							
Yes	1,740	3,602	3,249	1,142	5,853	15,586	<b>2,131,966</b>
No	1,132	1,844	2,557	367	2,687	8,587	1,546,291
<b>State Proposal 06-3: Mourning Dove Hunting Season</b>							
Yes	808	1,628	1,587	509	2,492	7,024	1,132,660
No	2,027	3,739	4,116	971	5,931	16,784	<b>2,521,220</b>
<b>State Proposal 06-4: Prohibit Government Eminent Domain</b>							
Yes	1,975	4,003	3,930	1,080	6,367	17,355	<b>2,900,115</b>
No	818	1,272	1,711	401	1,958	6,160	720,164
<b>State Proposal 06-5: Mandatory School Funding</b>							
Yes	832	1,409	1,828	310	2,558	6,937	1,360,254
No	1,967	3,888	3,764	1,164	5,739	16,522	<b>2,246,271</b>
<b>Voter Turnout</b>							
	65%	72%	63%	70%	68%		53%

(I) = Incumbent

**Bold** = winners

\* Results are unofficial

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# Term limits shot down

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Term limits will no longer be a topic of discussion in Grosse Pointe Woods after the proposal failed in the Nov. 7 elections.

Tabulations were close (2,888 'no' votes to 2,745 'yes' votes) before the absentee ballots were counted. The final tally was 4,609 'no' to 3,849 'yes.'

Nancy Hames, a term limit advocate, told supporters, "We need to bring in a fresh perspective. Term limits will eliminate lifetime politicians in Grosse Pointe Woods."

Only 45 percent of the voters

felt the way Hames did, while 55 percent felt elected city officials do not need to be limited to the number of terms he or she can serve.

"I think term limits would be bad for our community," Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said. "We're a small community, and if our residents don't think an elected official is doing a good job, they have the opportunity to vote that person out of office."

"The system, democracy, worked," councilmember Vicki Granger said. "Voters make choices. If they decide they've made the wrong choice, then they vote for someone else the

next time. In a small community, if you're doing a good job on the city council, people know

people know that, too. First-timers have been elected to council and incumbents voted that.

"If you don't do your job, See **TERM LIMITS**, page 10A

## GROSSE POINTE PARK

# What is next?

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Now that the Grosse Pointe Park bond proposal has passed, what projects will city officials begin?

"Our city attorney (Herold Deason) is working on attaining those dollars," Park City Manager Dale Krajniak said. "We're putting together some ideas as to what projects to start with."

Krajniak did say the commercial projects on Jefferson and Wayburn and Mack and Wayburn would begin as soon as possible, and the tree removal and replacement project will continue as scheduled.


"We have some street enhancements we want to do, but we will wait until the spring for

those," Krajniak said. "We are also planning our housing and rental property projects."


Mayor Palmer Heenan during Monday's council meeting praised more than a dozen citizens, as well as city councilmembers, city clerk Jane Blahut and Deason for their effort explaining the benefits the bond will have on residents of Grosse Pointe Park.

"Mayor, you're our leader and you also deserve a lot of credit," councilmember James Robson said. "You spent a lot of time campaigning to pass the bond."


"I want to let our residents know we will spend that money very wisely and spend it on projects to make the city a better place to live," Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Theokas said.



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## 4A | NEWS

## POINTER OF INTEREST

**David Moss** didn't know anything about disabilities as a youngster. Going to law school at Columbia University changed all that. Now he heads the Disability Law Clinic at Wayne State University.

# Attorney passes on compassion

By Debra Pascoe  
Staff Writer

Growing up in a small New Jersey town, David Moss said he knew nothing about people with disabilities.

Law school changed that. Now the Grosse Pointe Park resident heads the Disability Law Clinic at Wayne State University where he passes on his vast knowledge and compassion representing the underrepresented to his students.

The assistant director of clinical education was asked to join the WSU staff in 1998 to start the clinic based on his experience working as a public interest attorney in New York and Minnesota representing children and people with disabilities.

Moss said he became interested in helping the less advantaged while working in the Child Advocacy Clinic at Columbia University Law School where he earned his jurist doctorate.

"I got hooked on special interest law and kids in particular," he said. A move to Minnesota led him to a post with the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis where he worked with the developmentally and physically disabled, including the blind and deaf.

There he discovered his own set of challenges — how to communicate with those who



Third-year Wayne State University law student Tiffany Boyd and David Moss discuss a disability case.

PHOTO BY DEBRA PASCOE

can't communicate in the regular sense of the word.

"You have to work harder to

counsel them to make informed decisions," he said,

adding he did learn some sign

language, enough to get him through the "social graces."

Moss said his goal and that of the Legal Aid Society is to provide clients with the ability and opportunity to live normal

lives. For children, that meant enrolling them in the "mainstream classroom" where they could learn to communicate with other students.

"I at least had the illusion that I was doing something for my clients," he said with more than a hint of modesty.

While he doesn't keep statistics for the cases handled by the Disability Law Clinic, Moss said he is confident more are won than lost.

"Our clients get benefits more often than they don't get benefits," he said, explaining the majority of cases concern people trying to get or maintain their Social Security Insurance benefits.

Moss explained the clinic is staffed by students who, in addition to earning class credit, work in teams and get the experience of handling their own cases under his supervision.

"Traditional class time" is spent at weekly "staff meetings" where cases are discussed, questions answered and students learn how to best represent their clients and hone interview techniques. In addition, students spend 15 to 20 hours per week in the clinic answering calls and researching cases. If the students are lucky enough to be enrolled in the class when a case is heard, they do all the talking for their client.

Moss explained that under state law, law students who

have finished their first year are allowed to practice under the direction of a licensed attorney. Because cases can take a minimum of 18 months to be heard, Moss said legal representatives can change several times.

Only eight students can take the course each semester and will handle three to five new cases in addition to those already in progress. Choosing which cases to take can sometimes be the toughest part of the job.

"We're like doctors in a MASH unit doing triage," he said. "We focus on those who will have a harder time finding someone to take their cases. There are those that can't win; those that will win and we still may have eight we can help but we can only take three or four."

But that doesn't mean all callers don't receive assistance.

"If we don't take the case, the caller will be educated on the process and informed who can help them," he said. "Each one of those calls is, in a sense, a success."

Moss explained in cases where a client received benefits and was later informed assistance will cease, the client can appeal. If the client wins, back benefits will be paid and it is from those funds that clients with a high probability of a successful appeal can pay an attorney to handle their case.

Moss said he spends about 50 hours a week on the WSU campus overseeing the clinic, teaching classes and doing paperwork. During semester breaks, he takes over all ongoing cases.

When he does have time to himself, he enjoys taking hikes in Windmill Park with the family golden retriever, Phoebus.

Moss is married to Rachel Walpole, the school librarian at Trombley Elementary. They have three children, all enrolled in the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Gabe, 16, is a junior at South High; Ben, 12, is a seventh-grader at Pierce and Julia, 9, is a fourth-grader at Maire.

The family shares their home with Phoebus, four cats and assorted fish.

"I draw the line at reptiles," Moss said, adding while he enjoys watching the cats play, Phoebus is his buddy. The cats, which were all adopted from a local veterinarian's office, are there for the enjoyment of his wife and kids.

With each of his children "graduating" from their current respective schools at the same time, Moss is planning a European vacation to celebrate.

"That's the plan, anyway," he said.

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## GROSSE POINTE FARMS

# Council 'jazzed' about new establishment

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

It is now up to the state

Liquor Control Commission whether a jazz-themed restaurant will come to the Hill. The Grosse Pointe Farms

City Council gave its unanimous stamp of approval Monday night, Nov. 13, to jazz matron Gretchen Valade to pursue the transfer of a Class C liquor license to 97 Kercheval.

The council also approved a site plan review for interior upgrades and exterior renovations to the rear part of the building. A parking exception

was also approved largely because Valade only plans to be open from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday through Saturday. The restaurant will be named the Dirty Dog Jazz Café.

But approval didn't occur before several issues were discussed. Chief among them was waste management. Residents and council members alike expressed concern

with the additional strain of waste removal in the alley behind the restaurant.

Tom Robinson, who spoke on behalf of Valade at the meeting, said cooperation was the key for dealing with the issue.

"This is a problem for the whole (business) district (on the Hill)," Robinson said. "We plan to work with (our neighbors) and with the city."

Concerns, however, didn't stop there.

"The (prospect) of opening such a venue changes the nature of the (business) strip," said Farms resident Chris Nesi. "I urge you to think about that before you approve a venue called the Dirty Dog. The nature of it can change the heart of the community. This is not on the border (of the city), not on Mack."

Nesi's primary concern was the attraction of live entertainment for the "younger crowd." He said that he has seen other similar businesses open and change the complexion of business districts in other states.

Public safety director, Dan Jensen refuted such claims.

"I understand the concerns (of Farms residents)," Jensen said. "But this department will not allow it to get to the point of rowdy behavior."

"We're confident we can police the area."

The restaurant will have a 66-person capacity. Valade plans to have a full-scale kitchen, and has not yet decided on a menu. But don't expect chips and dip.

"This will not be a cheap place to go," Robinson said.

Valade said the restaurant was inspired by her resurrection of the Jazz Festival downtown, which she sponsored in 2005 after Ford Motor Co. walked away. She then created the \$10 million Gretchen C. Valade Endowment for the Arts to ensure the survival of the festival for years to come.

"I want to bring part of that to the Farms so they can appreciate (the beauty of jazz music)," she said.

She also dismissed concerns that a jazz restaurant would bring trouble to the Hill.

"We're not Miami," she said.

The final decision now rests with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Since the MLCC requires local approval before approving any transfer of a county liquor license, Valade must now wait before proceeding with her plans. State protocol includes a background check of the petitioners, and Valade expressed "confidence" in winning approval.



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## Holiday cards get nod from city council

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For years, a holiday dinner was the tradition and \$14,000 was set aside in the budget for the bonanza.

The gift card idea saved the city \$6,000.

To kick off the holiday season, Woods residents and city officials will take part in the annual tree lighting ceremony Nov. 21, at city hall.

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# Vets Breakfast honors past, looks to future

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

There's jet lag, and then there's Jet Lag. Civilians feel the former, and military pilots the latter.

At least according to Lt. Col. Harry Constant of the U.S. Marine Corp.

"Imagine going from 0 to 150 mph in 60 feet," he said while speaking before a packed-house Nov. 10 Veterans Day breakfast at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. "It's an eye-watering experience."

Constant, a 1981 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, was the keynote speaker at the breakfast, an event for which he flew his F/A-18 fighter jet from California to attend.

"It's always special coming back to Grosse Pointe," he said in his opening remarks. "Nothing ever seems to change but the color of my hair."

Constant's speech focused on two themes in particular: aircraft support for ground troops and the 2004 Battle for Fallujah in Iraq. Using a slide projector, Constant demonstrated the engineering brilliance of today's aircraft. He also presented a detailed logistical breakdown of the Fallujah battle plan, with slides of key overhead sites and those detailing ground activities.

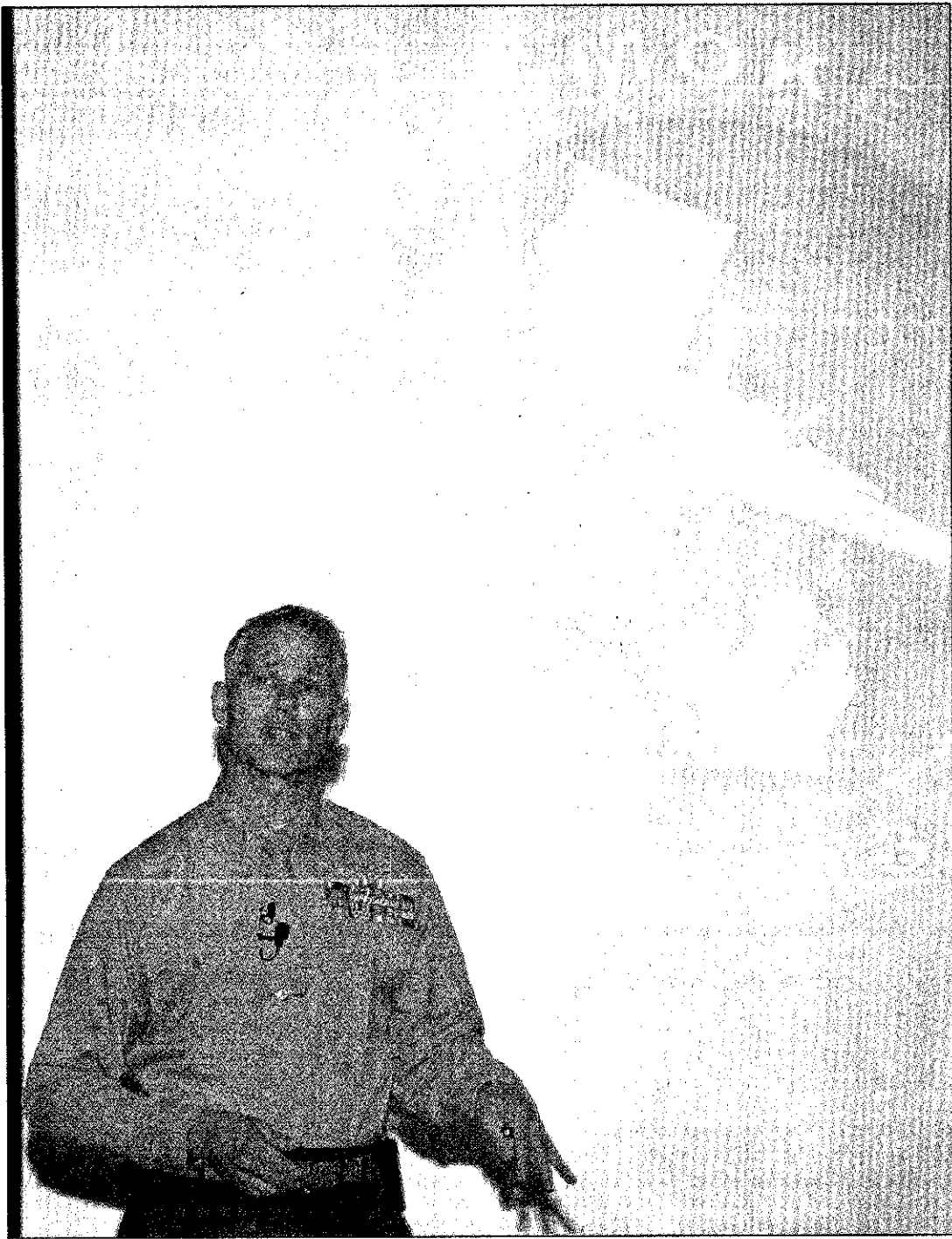
One of the most difficult tasks for securing Fallujah was, he said, identifying friend or foe. Tribal war lords, suppressed under Saddam Hussein's rule, were consolidating their power and the streets were near anarchy.

"When we launched the invasion in Iraq, Saddam released all of his most violent prisoners," Constant said, making the task all the more dangerous.

Among those in attendance was Jean Gilbert, 88, from the City of Grosse Pointe, only one of two female members of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Group. She joined the Air Force in 1944 with an itch for travel, and made it all the way to Karachi, India. Along the way, she made stops in the Azores, Casa Blanca and Cairo. Gilbert enjoys the events but would like to see more gender balance in the group's membership.

"I would like the awareness raised (for female veterans) to join," she said. "We have the five Pointes and Harper Woods. There should be some more female veterans in the area."

Constant graduated from Hillsdale College and was commissioned in 1985. He has



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Keynote speaker Lt. Col. Harry Constant demonstrates aircraft deployments in Iraq on a slide projector.

been deployed with several outfits, all with colorful nicknames like the "Death Rattlers," "Sharpshooters," "Bengals" and most lately the "Smokes."

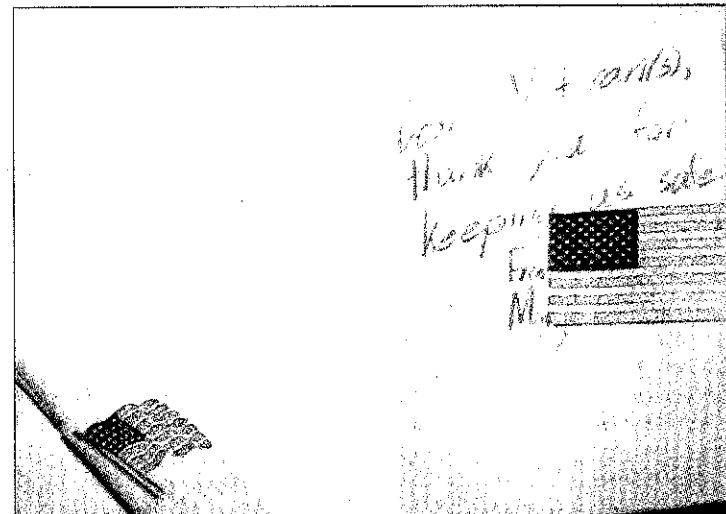
Constant has enjoyed an illustrious career in the military.

Among his personal decorations are the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Commendation Medal with two Gold Stars and the Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He has logged more than 5,000 hours as a F/A-18 pilot, making him the most traveled F/A-18 pilot in the world.

Joining Constant as a speaker was Major Kim Mahoney, who has recently returned from combat deployment in Iraq. He returned to active duty in 2002 after serving in the Marines from 1989 through 1999. He volunteered for duty in Iraq in 2004.



An empty place setting remembers those lost or missing in action from American wars.



A thank-you card to American veterans from a fifth grade student from Richard Elementary School.

## Rep. Gaffney to address Eastside Republican Club

The Eastside Republican Club Forum will host Rep. Edward Gaffney at its 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, meeting in the Alger House of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Gaffney will give his annual election wrap-up as well as a state legislative report. Refreshments will be served upon arrival and a question-and-answer session will follow the program.

Gaffney was recently re-elected to the state Legislature and represents District 1 which includes all five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and the east side of Detroit. He serves as chair of the State Legislature Health Policy Committee and is a member of the House Oversight, Election and Ethics Committee, the Insurance Committee and the Regulatory Reform Committee.

"Rep. Gaffney is a gentleman who takes the initiative on behalf of his constituency. He clearly believes in government for the people as he considers suggestions from the citizens of his district, and then drafts legislation accordingly," said Marti Miller, chair of the

Eastside Republican Club.

Gaffney is currently drafting a bill limiting the property tax increase to 10 percent on a new property purchased in Michigan.

The Eastside Republican Club Forum is held at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month from September

through June at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Admission to the forum is free. The public is welcome regardless of political affiliation.

For more information, call (313) 886-3785; or visit the Eastside Republican Club Web site, [eastside-republican-club.org](http://eastside-republican-club.org)

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Election 2006  
draws voters

**A**ll's well that ends well as far as the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election is concerned — at least on the local level, for the most part. Republicans on the gubernatorial and federal levels, however, did not fare so well.

Although Pointe voters overall favored Republican Dick DeVos for governor over Jennifer Granholm — with the exception of the Park — statewide voting returned the Democratic incumbent to office.

Pointer voters were on the winning side in re-electing Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land and Attorney General Mike Cox, both Republicans.

Grosse Pointe's overwhelmingly Republican vote was evident in the race for state senator. While incumbent Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, won re-election by a landslide district-wide, she failed to win any of the Pointes. Young Republican Michael Hoehn of the City, who did not campaign, beat Sen. Scott in all the Pointes, including the Park, where he won by just three votes.

State Rep. Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, in his third and final bid for office due to term limits, faced his toughest race yet. He barely beat his Democratic challenger, Tim Bledsoe, a Wayne State University political science professor from the City, by barely more than 2,000 votes — 19,500 to 17,374.

Incumbent Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, a Democrat, was favored in the City, Park and Woods over Republican challenger Ramon Patrick. Overall, Mr. Ficano barely took the Pointes but garnered some two-thirds of all votes county-wide.

What's in a name? A lot in politics.

Democrat Tim Killeen of Detroit, whose father was Wayne County clerk for many years, easily won the 1st District county commissioner seat he wrested from incumbent Chris Cavanagh in the August primary. Republican challenger Daniel Mercier, of the City, put up a good fight, winning all the Pointes except the Park.

As far as the state proposals were concerned, Pointe voters were in sync with voters statewide.

Pointe and state voters said "YES" to Proposal 06-1: Conservation/Recreation Funds, Proposal 06-2: Affirmative Action Ban and Proposal 06-4: Prohibit Government Eminent Domain and "NO" to Proposal 06-3: Mourning Dove Hunting Season and Proposal 06-5: Mandatory School Funding.

\*Voter turnout in the Pointes was high, as it was statewide. Across the state, 53 percent of voters cast ballots. Voter turnout in the Pointes was 72 percent in the Farms, 70 percent in the Shores, 68 percent in the Woods, 65 percent in the City and 63 percent in the Park.

With such a good turnout, the 2006 general election has to be considered a democratic success, despite how one feels about individual outcomes.

We are delighted that Rep. Gaffney and Sen. Scott were returned to office. We also feel voters statewide wisely considered each of the five state ballot proposals.

Woods term  
limits nixed

**W**hen we went to press on election night, Tuesday, Nov. 7, we did not know the outcome of the term limits proposal in Grosse Pointe Woods, which was barely going down to defeat as of 11:30 p.m.

We are happy to report the unwarranted term limits idea was rejected by 55 percent of Woods voters. The final tally was 4,609 to 3,849.

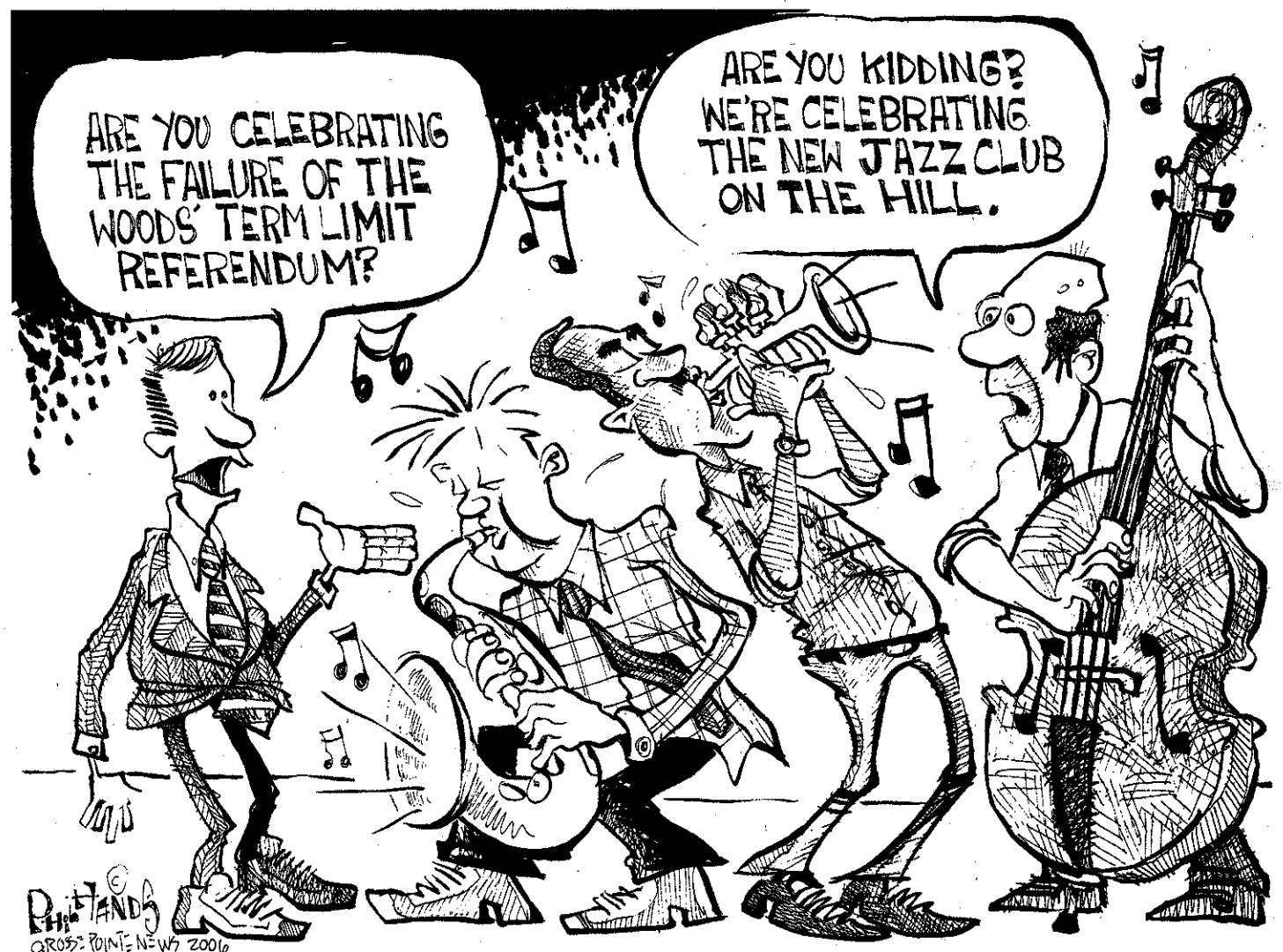
As Councilwoman Vicki Granger said, "Democracy worked."

Mayor Robert Novitke rightly pointed out that in a small community, term limits are not needed. Voters know their elected officials, and if they are not happy with the job they are doing, they vote them out of office, which has happened in the past and will happen in the future should residents become dissatisfied.

Lastly, as we reported last week, the \$7 million bond proposal was approved in the Park.

Good job, Woods and Park voters.

## PHIL HANDS



## LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

Thanks for great  
Halloween

## To the Editor:

What a fun day it was! On Tuesday, Oct. 31, thousands of costumed children came to the Village, downtown Grosse Pointe for trick-or-treating at Village stores.

There are many people to thank for making this such a successful event:

A sincere thanks to all of the dedicated individuals from the City of Grosse Pointe, including Al Fincham, assistant City manager and chief of police; and Jim Fox, acting chief of police, for supervising the closing of Kercheval Avenue and for providing the shiny fire truck at the west end of Kercheval.

Many thanks go to Paul Weitzel, Gary Huvaere and their crew from the Department of Public Works for running power, cleaning Kercheval and helping with set up and tear down; Chris Hardenbrook, director of Parks and Recreation, and his staff for setting up the musical hay bales and costume contests for the kids and for providing prizes and treats for the participants; city council members Jean Weipert and Richard Clarke and Santa Claus Parade Director Terri Berschback for volunteering their time to be official judges for the costume contest; and the Village Toy Co., and Sanders Candy and Dessert Shop for their generous prize donations.

Let's all cheer the Village merchants for participating in this fun and colorful community tradition.

We hope to see you next year in the Village for trick-or-treating on Wednesday, Oct. 31. We're counting on it!

JOHN DENOMME  
Promotion Manager  
Grosse Pointe Village Association

House Bill  
6456

## To the Editor:

There is much misinformation about House Bill 6456 which was introduced in the Michigan Legislature this fall to address cable franchising.

This bill would remove cable franchising from local governments where it has been for the past 30 years, and establish a statewide franchise. But there are numerous problems with this bill and it is not the panacea that the phone company makes it out to be in their ads.

The bill runs 22 pages and I

have read them all. Let me address some of the key points that affect you as a cable customer and Michigan resident:

1) This bill does not require full build-out in all communities — build-out is a guarantee that all residents receive access to service. AT&T admits this. Of course, full build-out takes time, but, within several years a community should expect that service should be available to all residents.

That's what happened when your community first received cable back in the 1980s. This bill, however, only requires AT&T and other providers to serve 25 percent of low income households within three years — leaving many neighborhoods without the benefits of choice or competitive service.

AT&T told its investors that it will cover 90 percent of its high value customers — those who spend more than \$160 a month — but only 5 percent of low value customers — those who spend less than \$100 a month — would get the service.

Currently, HB 6456 has no guarantees that everyone in the community will get service. And the loose parameters within the bill don't even cover half the state in the next five years. AT&T's ads claim this bill will bring competition. But let's be clear: There's nothing preventing them from providing service to our communities right now.

In fact, many of our cities and townships have invited them, but AT&T has not signed them, but AT&T has not signed one franchise agreement to date — the same franchise the cable operator has signed, so no time is wasted in negotiations.

2) Local governments will lose control over government-owned rights-of-way. This means your local city or township hall has no control over what happens to your streets or the rights-of-way in front of your home. And that means that AT&T is free to install their large equipment boxes in front of your sidewalk or next to your driveway.

3) This bill allows your current video provider to immediately terminate their existing franchise agreement with your city, village or township. That means your current cable company doesn't have to provide cable service — or upgrades — to you at all.

4) Cities, villages and townships will lose more than \$55 million statewide due to lost franchise fees and in-kind services to municipalities and schools. Currently these dol-

lars are what the cable operators pay to use, or rent, those rights-of-way which you, as a resident, own.

This is money which your local community uses to maintain the right-of-way and provide essential services including public safety. The programming you see on your local access channels, such as city council, township board, or school board meetings, as well as information about your community, is funded through these fees.

We want competition, but we want it for all of our residents equally.

Urge your representatives to vote "No" on HB 6456 until local government concerns can be met.

VICKI BARNETT  
President of the Michigan  
Municipal League and Mayor  
of Farmington Hills

Thanks for great  
Oktoberfest Dinner

## To the Editor:

I would like to personally thank all those who helped make my annual fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation another great success.

The Oktoberfest Dinner at Bayview Yacht Club raised more than \$17,000 for Cystic Fibrosis research, the No. 1 genetic disease of children and young adults.

Dr. Richard Simon, director of the adult Cystic Fibrosis care center at the University of Michigan, spoke about the progress in Cystic Fibrosis research and care.

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A special thanks to Bayview Yacht Club for providing the location and to Chef Dietz for the outstanding German fare.

Thanks also to Atwater Brewery for supplying the beer and to the Village Wine Shop for supplying the wine. Thanks also go to Mr. Russ Algaier for his wonderful piano playing

and to Dr. Richard Simon who gave an insightful talk about cystic fibrosis.

Lastly, I would like to thank the businesses that donated raffle items: Pat Scott Jewelers, Carmichael's Hair Salon, The League Shop, Nature Nook Florist, Party Adventure, and Rabaut's Interiors.

GLORIA KITCHEN  
Event Chairperson

Halloween traffic  
safety

## To the Editor:

I would like to take a moment to express my concern for our children's safety. There is absolutely and undeniably no reason to have the multitudes of vehicles running rampant on our streets during Halloween.

Overly excited children are running from house to house in complete darkness, while the streets are teeming with stop-and-go traffic.

In 1997 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) conducted a study to characterize the occurrence of fatal pedestrian injury among children on Halloween. The Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report Oct. 24, 1997/46(42); 987-990 of the CDC analyzed mortality data from the Fatal Analysis Reporting System of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration from 1975 through 1996.

The report states the following:

"The findings of this study indicated that the number of childhood pedestrian deaths increased fourfold among children on Halloween evenings when compared with all other evenings. During 1975-1996, from 4 through 10 p.m. on Oct. 31, a total of 89 deaths occurred among pedestrians aged 5 to 14 years.

"Overall, among children aged 5 to 14 years, an average of four deaths occurred on Halloween during these hours each year, compared with an average of one death during these hours on every other day of the year. Child pedestrian injuries result from an interrelated set of factors involving the driver, the child and their surroundings.

"Halloween poses special environmental and behavioral risks compounded by the inherent limitations of the child's developmental stage. Most of the time children spend outdoors is during daylight hours; however, Halloween-related activities occur primarily after dark. This period of darkness is lengthened by the return to Standard Time, which immediately precedes Halloween.

"In addition, children engaged in door-to-door 'trick or treat' activities frequently cross streets at mid-block rather than at corners or crosswalks, a known risk factor for pedestrian collision. Black costumes can further limit the visibility of

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I SAY Brad Lindberg

# Good deeds: Some things never change



Illegal immigration from south of the border isn't new. An episode of the Jack Benny radio program during the 1940s capitalized on the availability of low-cost illegal workers from Mexico to reinforce the show's running joke of Benny being a skinflint.

The cast included Benny's wife, Mary Livingstone (real name, Sayde Marks), and Mel Blanc (the voice of cartoon characters Porky Pig, Bugs Bunny and more) as a Mexican laborer fresh from crossing the Rio Grande.

The scene finds Benny working in his vegetable gar-

den. He's trying to end a conversation with another man in order to finish his chores by sundown:

Benny: "I don't want to be rude, but I want to get all these rows planted by six o'clock."

Man: "Why 6 o'clock?"

Livingstone interjects: "As soon as it's dark, his help has to run for the border."

Benny: "Mary, stop making things up. I do all the work myself."

Blanc in Mexican accent:

"Si, senior."

Benny: "You keep quiet and put on a dry shirt."

## Good deeds

"In my experience, most of the harm in this world is done by people trying, quite gratuitously, to do more good than they can possibly achieve."

Such is a solicitor's advice to his client, Lord Richard Bellamy, in "Cry for Help," an

episode from the premier season of "Upstairs Downstairs."

Bellamy has unintentionally brought trouble upon himself by trying to force an immoral man of a good family to do right by a maid he'd raped and gotten pregnant.

M'Lord's efforts backfire. Rather than engineering justice, Bellamy, the idealistic butinsky, is outmaneuvered and is nearly accused of being the rapist himself. The guilty man avoids both responsibility and publicity. The maid loses her job.

The concept of no good deed going unpunished was hit upon in "The American mid-term elections," an Oct. 31 editorial by Sandy Shanks published in al-Jazeera.

Shanks, an apologist for the centuries-old mess called the Middle East, chastised President George W. Bush as shortsighted for trying to re-

place Islamist fascism with democracy for the betterment of everyone.

"What he fails to realize," Shanks wrote, "is that some peoples really do not want the American brand of democracy."

In a May 30, 2005 editorial "Why do they hate us?," also in al-Jazeera, Shanks blames the United States for its troubles in the Middle East.

"It is a result of a chronic American fault — a near total apathy towards history," Shanks wrote.

◆ He cites the four Crusades. Absurd. Even by Shanks' accounting, the last Crusade was in 1204. That may seem like yesterday in the Middle East, where the evolutionary calendar has been stagnant since feudal times. Yet, to slam the U.S. for something that happened nearly 575 years before its founding

is laughable.

◆ He cites French and British construction and control of the Suez Canal beginning in the late 1800s. That's right, the French and British. Whatever. Blame it on America.

◆ He cites the "mother of all insults," the creation of Israel in 1948, which developed from the Balfour Declaration. Even Shanks points out that the declaration was a British initiative stating "equivocally that His Majesty's government favoured" establishing in Palestine a national home for the Jewish people.

He compared plunking down a Jewish state in Palestine to the Arab League usurping Montana as an al-Qaida preserve.

"Would that not create a bit of a stir on the part of Americans?" Shanks wrote. "There could well be some

American resentment about that."

He has a point. The Palestinians got ripped off. But just when Shanks hits on something sensible he ricochets back to fantasy land.

◆ He cites religious intolerance.

"Let's just say that both Christianity and Islam are two of the great religions of the world and get on with it — meaning governance (without religious interference)," Shanks writes.

On this, he matches an obvious point with a meaningless solution. Islam has become as much a political movement as a religious belief. Christianity hasn't.

For someone preaching the lessons of history, Shanks' secret to brotherly existence is as trite as Rodney King's recipe for lawful living: "Why can't we just all get along?"

## STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

### Do you watch reality TV? Why or why not?

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



'Yes, I love 'Laguna Beach' and 'The Bachelor.'

ELIZABETH BALDWIN  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'Yes. The 'Real World' is my favorite.'

ERIKA LUNDELL  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'I watch it because it's fun and it's funny to see people interact with each other.'

LAUREN LEVERETT  
Grosse Pointe Park



'Yes, because it makes me laugh.'

JESSICA JURCZEWSKY  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'No. I think it's kind of fake and some of it is ridiculous. There is no point to it.'

STEVEN JONES  
Grosse Pointe Farms



'I would rather watch something interesting than someone else's problems.'

SAM CORDEN  
City of Grosse Pointe

## FYI By Ben Burns

# Tiger salute from atop Mount Kilimanjaro



On the wings of the Internet we have received the following tale from two young medical students — John Kurap and Kevin Messacar, both South grads.

Working as medical missionaries, they have spent the past five months treating folks on the islands in Lake Victoria, a 26,830-square-mile body of fresh water that is 209 miles long and considered by some to be the source of the Nile River.

John, 26, attends The American University of the Caribbean Medical School on St. Maartin and plans a career in infectious diseases or pediatrics. Kevin, 25, is a fourth-year medical student at the University of Michigan on a full-tuition scholarship and plans a career in pediatrics.

They are on leave from their schools.

Here is a slightly edited version of their story about how they followed the Tigers in the playoffs. And now you'll know what happened to those second-hand clothes you donated to your favorite charity.

"Over the past five months in Kenya, we've met some of the biggest Detroit sports fans in the world ... they just don't know it yet.

"We've encountered a fisherman on a remote island in Lake Victoria decked out in a Stevie Nicks Red Wings jersey, a baby admitted to the hospital with malaria wearing a Tigers jersey, and even an elderly man in the slums of Nairobi showing off a vintage 1984 World Series jacket complete with the name "Dorothy" embroidered on the front.

"Being fellow Detroit sports fanatics, we get extremely excited when we encounter any display of Detroit sports gear. We'll run up to these folks and enthusiastically explain that Detroit is our hometown, and that we're so thrilled to meet fellow fans.

"However, the reply is al-

ways the same: a blank confused look and, 'No sorry, this is just a shirt (jacket, etc.).' Although they may be merely wearing second-hand clothes to serve a purpose without understanding their significance, we know in our Detroit hearts of hearts that deep-down they really are Detroit sports fans ... they just don't know it yet.

"Despite this immense Detroit following in Kenya, we had more than a heck of a time trying to catch a Detroit Tigers playoff game in an area where there is no running water, let alone electricity, and you could count the number of TVs in town on one hand, let alone those with satellite connection for the MLB playoffs. That's not to say that we weren't trying. ...

"After asking all around town if anyone carried the baseball games and hearing the reply, "What is baseball? Is it like football?" (Soccer, the only "real" sport according to the people here). "We had our first stroke of luck at, of all places, a campsite on Lake Naivasha.

"We were astonished to find a television connected to satellite TV with the MLB playoffs on the schedule for 4 a.m. We begged and pleaded with the Masai guard to open the bar and turn on the TV in the middle of the night, which was successful after we explained, "Watching the Tigers in the playoffs is like watching Kenya in the finals of the World Cup.

"We awoke at 4 a.m. from our tent, walked past a pod of hippos and popped on the TV expecting our first glimpse of the Tigers in the playoffs since our childhood. Instead what we found was a group of announcers at the sports desk announcing that the evening's game between the Tigers and Yankees was canceled due to rain.

"What luck! ... But we were not yet defeated. Over the next two series, we struggled on the islands of Lake Victoria without access to any TV, but kept up with the action via text messages over the cellular phone.

"We would excitedly jump from bed in the middle of the night to find that the Tigers had taken a lead in the first, or had gone to extra innings, or that Mags (Ordonez) had hit a game-winning home run.

"Though this kept us up-to-date on the scores, it couldn't replace actually seeing our Tig's take the field.

"Our big break came as we were hiking beach-to-beach living in fishing villages. Between villages we came upon the sole exclusive tourist resort on the island, run by a British character who we have come to know over our stay here. He generously offered to let us crash at the resort for the night for a break. We seized the opportunity and quickly went to work feeding him drink after drink until he agreed to stay up until 3 in the morning with us to watch the Tigers on his private satellite TV in his house.

"Needless to say, the British chap passed out before the game started, mumbling something about 'this game is nothing but rounders,' and we were left to finally watch our Detroit Tigers in Game One of the World Series.

"Seeing the men in the Old English 'D' take the field sent shivers down our spines, and watching Comerica Park come alive in a way that Detroit has not seen since 1984 was something truly special.

"For that brief moment, we were able to forget we were in the middle of Lake Victoria in Kenya, suspend the intense emotions that we've had to deal with over the past months in working in this impoverished, HIV-prevalent area, and experience a surge of pride and excitement in seeing our home team represent our hometown in the center of the world stage.

"We intently watched the first three innings, savoring every pitch as we had worked for weeks to have this opportunity, when the generator power cut out and we were left in darkness.

"While we didn't have the chance to see a whole game,

the chance to catch a glimpse of Detroit Tigers baseball in the middle of rural Kenya was something we'll never forget.

"Although we were unable to see any more games and received the sad news that the Tigers were defeated, we want to thank the Tigers for the amazing 2006 season. Their efforts were seen and felt literally around the world. From unifying a city ridden with auto-industry layoffs and tough economic times, to providing those of us away from our Michigan homes a chance to escape our situation and join our friends and family rooting on our Tigers, this team has made us all proud! BLESS YOU BOYS!"

The following week the pair wore their Tigers' gear as they

climbed Mount Kilimanjaro and hoisted high atop Africa the Detroit Tiger foam finger they had packed five months earlier.

Messacar says he has dreamed of climbing the mountain ever since he took world-traveler and teacher Rufus McGaugh's social studies class at Brownell in the seventh grade.

If you want to track the adventures of the two young men yourself, check out operationalmaata.blogspot.com.

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PHOTO BY BETH QUINN

## Calling all Golden Retrievers

The Grosse Pointe chapter of the Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan (GRROM) is asking all Golden Retrievers, their owners and friends to show their support for the organization by walking in the Grosse Pointe Santa Parade, Friday, Nov. 24. This is the eighth consecutive year the GRROM has marched in the parade. The dogs' natural charm makes them a perennial crowd pleaser. The group will meet at a preassigned place at 9 a.m., an hour before the parade begins at 10 a.m. Participants must be preregistered by calling Ro Arabia at (313) 885-3647.

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AP TESTS:
Test-taking
up at North

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pared to Bloomfield Hills' 43.5 percent, Birmingham at 42.4 percent, Northville's 35.6 percent and Troy at 36.1 percent. Participation statewide averages 14.5 percent, Allan said. Overall, 57.4 percent of Grosse Pointe seniors enrolled

in at least one Advanced Placement class. Allan said the rate is 52.6 percent at North and 62 percent at South. According to the formula of total tests taken divided by the number of students per graduating class, North students increased their test-taking rate from 1.13 to 1.41. "North increased the total number of tests taken by 97," Allan said. The rate at South decreased from 2.2 to 2.15. "The number of tests taken

went down by 79," Allan added. Participation isn't the whole story. "We think having a large number of students taking the exams is good, but having a large number pass it is even better," Allan said. The test having the highest student participation at North and South was in U.S. history. Of 123 students taking the test at North, 89 passed for a success rate of 72 percent. The figure was up six points from the year before and 11 points greater than 2003. At South, 120 out of 145 students took the history test. All passed for an 83 percent success rate. The figure represented a seven point increase from the previous period and a 21 point gain from 2003. The least popular test in terms of participation was Italian. At North, five of seven students passed for a rate of 71 percent. At South, seven of 10 students passed for a 70 percent success rate. There were no Italian AP tests from previous years to use for comparison. Other results included:

Calculus AB

North: All 29 students passed, matching the 100 percent success rate of the three previous years.
South: Thirty-seven of 41

students passed for a 90 percent success rate.

Calculus BC

North: All nine students passed, maintaining a perfect rate since 2003.
South: Sixteen of 19 students passed for a rate of 84 percent, up 11 points from the year before.

U.S. government

North: Five of 11 students passed for a rate of 45 percent, up five points from the previous year.
South: Seventeen of 27 students passed for a 63 percent success rate, down eight points from the year before.

Mechanical physics

North: Four of five students passed for a 80 percent success rate, up from a 40 percent rate the year before.
South: Twelve of 19 students passed, a 63 percent rate, down nine points from the year before.

Chemistry

North: Eighteen students passed for a 75 percent rate, up 14 points from the previous period.
South: Twenty-three of 25 students passed, a 92 percent rate, down five points from the year before.

Biology

North: Of 68 students, 52 passed for a rate of 76 percent, compared to 91 percent the previous year.
South: Of 66 students, 65 passed for a rate of 98 percent, compared to 96 percent the year before.

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young pedestrians to drivers. Sensory acuity may be decreased by masks that can restrict peripheral vision and hearing. Attention to sensory input may be decreased because of distractions, including urges to acquire the best candy, shouts from other children, eye-catching costumes and decorations, and time pressure to acquire candy. "In addition to these holiday-specific problems, the pedestrian skills of children are limited by at least five factors related to their physical attributes (e.g., size and motor coordination) and developmental stage that impair their street-crossing skills until approximately age 12 years. "First, young children may lack the physical ability to rapidly cross the street, and their short stature limits their visibility to drivers. "Second, children are likely to choose the shortest rather than safest route across streets, often darting out at mid-block or entering the roadway between parked cars.

"Third, children normally disregard peripheral vision, mess, loss, and lack of sufficient impulse control. "Fourth, young children do not evaluate potential threats effectively; they cannot anticipate driver behavior, they perceive sensory information more slowly than adults. "Fifth, children may engage in 'magical thinking' that leads them to believe, for example, that they are protected from the consequences of a painted crosswalk. "In 21 years, I have seen a lot of dead children. It would matter to me. There is no reason parents cannot walk the streets with their children. I would like the Grosse Pointes to seriously discuss how we can rectify this need-less behavior. We need to institute such policies before our neighborhoods become just another statistic. JOHN MAHEWS Grosse Pointe Farms

ELECTION:
Would be no
cost to board

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nents of the change. The suggestion came from

board member Fred Maturm. Mintum is also a trustee of Grosse Pointe Shores, where officials have been considering moving local elections from September to November. Mike Kenyon, Shoreman-ager, said village elections cost about \$3,000 but the cost would be less if held in November. The Pointe school election of May 2005 cost the district \$45,000; the 2006 election cost \$42,000, according to Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent of business affairs. "Those are relative low (costs)," he said. The 2006 school votelection concerned two untested seats. Fenton said election expenses increase with the number of candidates issues on the ballot. "Typically in a mill or bond election," Fenton said, "costs can be in the \$700 to \$85,000 range because you're printing more ballots and have to staff more election workers." "There would be virtually no cost to the board to rule elections in November," said Trustee Charles Sino. "More importantly, (because) sometimes it's good to take (local) issues away from residential elections, we all ways could exercise our right to hold a special election on bond issue or millage action in May." "It's important that this is an issue we consider," said Trustee Joan Dindoffer.

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LIMITS:
'Not way to go'

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out in the past 10 years. The term limit issue sparked a debate during a League of Women Voters forum in October. Sympathizers of Hans said change was good, while those opposed to term limits asked when they change something the city is running on a cylinder. Wayne State University professor Marjorie Sanna Thompson, who spoke to half of those opposed to term limits, said, "Using term to get rid of incumbents is the way to go. Voters have power to get rid of incumbents if they vote to." "The local issue was being watched closely," City Clerk Lisa Hathaway said. "Our six precincts reported by approximately 9:30 p.m. The absentee voter result delayed the AV was pressing the AV 3 other unities g the day was experienced by the workers or staff. We took the time necessary to report accurate results."

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

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BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Grosse Pointe Public Library is looking for citizens of the community to serve on the library's building committee for a new Central Library. The purpose of the committee, which will be composed of staff, trustees and members of the public, is to deal with the "big picture" issues through the design phase only of the project.

If you have an interest in serving on this committee (which will probably meet during evening hours) please send a short resume to: Grosse Pointe Public Library, Attn: Vickey Bloom, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Deadline for resumes is December 15, 2006.

Village of Grosse Pointe Shores
PLANNING COMMISSION
795 Lake Shore Road
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313-881-6565

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 before the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission to consider the following request:

- The petitioner/property owner at 22 Oxford wishes to split his property into two separate, buildable lots.

Plans for the above project are available for review at the GPS Municipal Building (2nd floor) during normal business hours 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Surrounding property owners may submit their written/oral comments at the hearing or prior to that time.

GPN: 11/16/06

Gordon Holness, Secretary
GPS Planning Commission

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

Pursuant to Federal Guidelines, a public hearing is scheduled before the Mayor and City council on Monday, December 4th, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 15115 E Jefferson, for the purpose and Comments, review and approval of use of Federal Funds for the following projects.

Announcing the City's objectives and proposed use for developing projects using Federal Community Block Grant funding, Subject to full funding by Wayne County, as herewith listed. (These are estimated amounts)

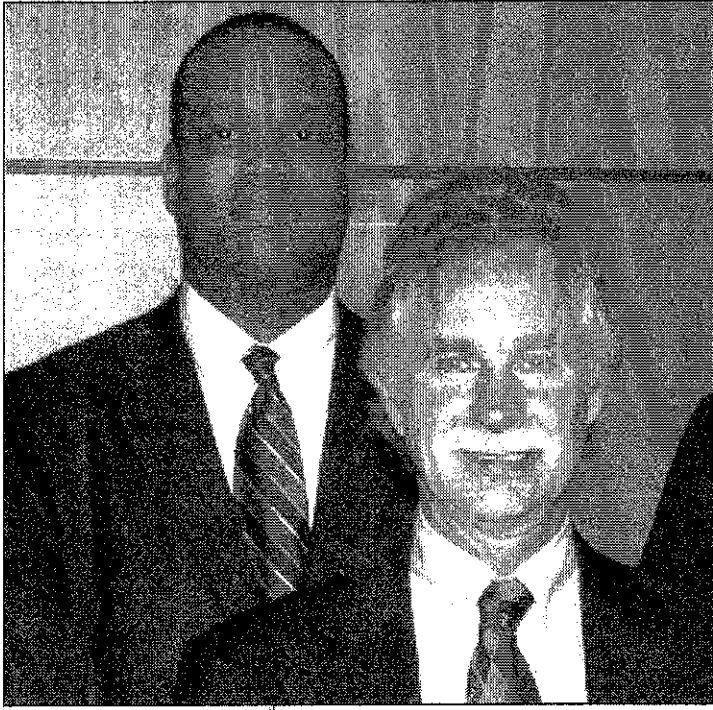
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Interested persons are invited to comment on the possible projects listed above or suggest other projects. These suggestions must identify and benefit community development or housing needs of low and moderate-income residents. Please write or call the city offices, 15115 E Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 (313- 822-4281).

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Chris Reimel,
Director of Public Service





## Honorees

David J. March, above right, and John E. McSorley, below, received Pro Bono awards during a recent ceremony held at the Southfield Public Library. McSorley, an attorney with Garan Lucow Miller P.C., earned the Pro Bono Spirit Award. March, who worked with Friend of the Court, earned the Friends of Legal Aid and Defender Association Award. Master of ceremonies for the event was Alan Lee, a morning news anchor for WJBK-TV Fox 2. March and McSorley are Grosse Pointe residents.



## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# MSA meeting offers ideas

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods' City Administrator Mark Wollenweber and city councilmembers Al Dickinson and Vicki Granger took plenty of notes during last week's Michigan Suburban Alliance meeting during which revenue sharing was discussed.

The Woods and other cities in the tri-county area have seen state revenue funds shrink, causing city budgets to be stretched.

"It was a good informative meeting for us," Wollenweber said. "We, as city administrators, are always looking for ways to receive more funds from the state to help us run city programs."

Representatives from the Michigan Municipal League gave a history of revenue sharing. Michigan cities, villages and townships receive revenue earmarked by the state constitution and by statute to help pay for core governmental services such as police protection, fire service, roads, water and sewer service and garbage collection, which are tied to several state taxes.

The distribution of revenue sharing to local governments consists of both constitutional and statutory payments, the MML said.

The constitutional portion allocates for cities, villages and townships, 15 percent of gross collections from the 4 percent sales tax. This amount is then distributed based on population and the legislature must appropriate whatever is calculated. It cannot reduce or increase the constitutional portion.

*'The MSA focus is really closer to the whole revenue sharing discussion, with so many Detroit area communities facing a budget crisis.'*

VICKI GRANGER,  
Grosse Pointe Woods  
councilmember

The statutory portion of revenue sharing has undergone dramatic changes. Today, the distribution formula calls for 21.3 percent of the first 4 percent of sales tax collections to be distributed in accordance with the formula set forth in Public Act 532 of 1998, the MML said.

Since state law sets the statutory portion, the governor and legislature have the ability to adjust the distributed amount; an ability they have used to the detriment of local units, especially during state revenue shortfalls. The actual formula has not been used in a few years, added the MML.

According to available data filed by local governments with the Department of Treasury in 2004, revenue sharing generally accounts for 19 percent of a city's budget.

"The implications for the Grosse Pointes and Grosse Pointe Woods, in particular, are that the continued financial health of our cities is dependent on the economic health of the region," Granger said. "We are bedroom communities with no industry, but our residents largely work outside our boundaries. We haven't constructed our bud-

get to be dependent on revenue sharing, so that is good.

"I do know that our GPW construction spending has declined each year because we have less state money," Granger added. "We work very hard at maintaining our infrastructure (water, sewer, streets) and have been able to capture some grant money."

MML officials were on hand to help MSA Executive Director Conan Smith and the rest of the board figure out a solution to revenue sharing issues.

"The MSA focus is really closer to the whole revenue sharing discussion, with so many Detroit area communities facing a budget crisis," Granger said. "When a community goes out for a millage for police and fire, it's because they've already cut everything else to the bare bone. The revenue sharing is a complicated topic since there is the 'economic growth people' and then there is the 'stop the urban sprawl people' and the two don't often connect on the state level."

The decline in state revenue sharing means projects such as street and sidewalk repairs, get put on hold until funds can be found. In addition, many communities have cut recreation and library programs because they don't have the money to keep them running.

Wollenweber, Granger and Dickinson participated in discussions including: mitigating the pitfalls of determining shared revenue during the budget process; scrapping the present formula altogether; if a straight per capita formula is preferable to an equalizing formula; and should funding be

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tied to incentives.

"We definitely listened to some good ideas about how cities can get more funding back," Wollenweber said.

Wisconsin, Arizona and Minnesota restructured their state-revenue sharing process using a variety of sales tax and income tax formulas.

In addition, California has a proposed program to establish sales tax revenue sharing in the Sacramento metropolitan region.

The MSA said Minnesota has the best known system of tax-based sharing.

Local governments in the seven counties surrounding Minneapolis and St. Paul contribute 40 percent of the growth in their commercial and industrial property taxes to a regional pool. Dollars from this pool are distributed to 187 local governments using a need-based formula based on per capita property tax values.

Communities with the lowest commercial tax capacity receive the most funding from the pool. The Minnesota Citizens League estimates this system cuts the gap between rich and poor governments in the region by 80 percent.

## Chamber announces new awards

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce announces four new Pointer of Distinction award categories: Youth, Community Service, Excellence in Business and New Business Enterprise.

Executive Director Mary Huebner said, "We are looking for individuals for this annual award to recognize Pointers who have distinguished themselves and contributed in our business community. Our cities recognize many people in various ways yet business categories have not yet been awarded."

The Youth Award will be awarded to a student currently enrolled in a Grosse Pointe high school that excels academically as well as in extra-curricular activities. Nominees must also be involved in one foundation or charitable activity and provide letters of recommendation. Nomination forms are available from high school



counselors, by calling the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce at (313) 881-4722 or via e-mail at [info@grossepointechamberofcommerce.org](mailto:info@grossepointechamberofcommerce.org). The nomination form and letters of recommendation must be received by Dec. 2.

The second award recognizes Community Service. The nominee must be a Grosse Pointe resident or currently employed at a Grosse Pointe business. The nominee must be involved in, have an impact on and exhibit leadership in the community.

The third award will recognize Excellence in Business. The nominee must live or work in the Grosse Pointes and be

accomplished in the area of business. Accomplishments and exemplary business achievements must be quantifiable.

The fourth award recognizes New Business Enterprise. Nominees must live or work in the Grosse Pointes and work at a successful business launched within the last five years. Finalists must submit a solid business plan and be willing to answer select questions by judges.

To receive nomination forms, call the chamber at (313) 881-4722 or e-mail [info@grossepointechamberofcommerce.org](mailto:info@grossepointechamberofcommerce.org). Nomination forms and letters of recommendation must be received by

Dec. 2.

A diverse panel of 12 judges will review the nomination forms and recommend if applications shall be extended.

There will be two winners in each category. Business Awards will be presented at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Annual General Membership meeting held on Jan. 17 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The Youth Award will be announced at this meeting and presented at the applicable Youth High School Awards Banquet in June.

For further information, contact the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce at (313) 881-4722.

## Funeral regulations

Most states have a licensing board that regulates the funeral industry. For information or help, contact The Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services Board of Examiners in Mortuary Science, PO Box 30018, Lansing, MI 48909; phone, (517) 241-9252.

For additional information about making funeral arrangements and the options available, contact some of these professional and consumer groups:

◆ The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) — The AARP offers the publications, "Funeral Goods and Services" and "Prepaying for Your Funeral," available free by writing to AARP Fulfillment, 601 E Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20049; phone, (800) 424-3410; Web site, [aarp.org](http://aarp.org).

◆ Funeral Consumers Alliance (FCA) — The FCA is a nonprofit, educational organization that supports increased funeral consumer protection, is affiliated with the Funeral and Memorial Society of America

(FAMSA). Contact the FCA at 33 Patchen Road, South Burlington, VT 05403; phone, (800) 765-0107; Web site, [funerals.org](http://funerals.org).

◆ Cremation Association of North America (CANA) — CANA is an association of crematories, cemeteries and funeral homes that offer cremation. Contact them at 401 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611; phone, (312) 644-6610; Web site, [cremationassociation.org](http://cremationassociation.org).

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Peoples State Bank, 9252 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck, MI, 48212 intends to file an application to establish a domestic branch office at 20276 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan 48236-1716. The public has the right to comment on, or to protest, this application during the relevant comment period.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director (DOS) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office located as follows: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Regional Director, 500 W. Monroe St., Suite 3300, Chicago, IL, 60661, no later than December 1, 2006. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

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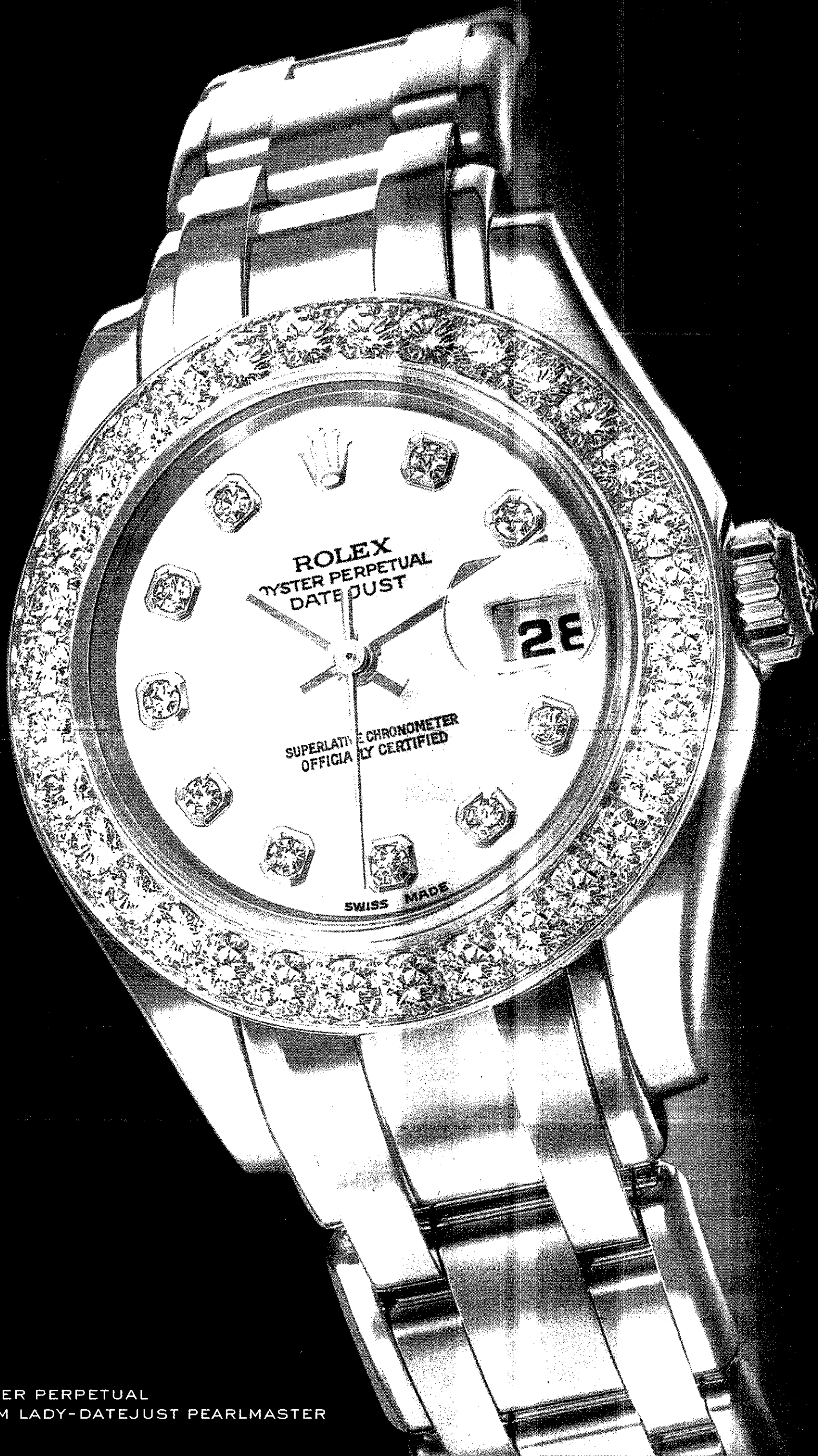
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## Pointe kids say: *Venimus vidimus vicimus*

Several Grosse Pointe Latin students distinguished themselves at the 37th annual Michigan Junior Classical League Fall Assembly.

Members of Latin clubs at Grosse Pointe South (Societas Latina) and North High (Legio Borealis) schools attended the 37th annual assembly Oct. 28 at Grant High School near Grand Rapids.

Grosse Pointe students left their marks in several events competing with students from several schools throughout Michigan.

Contests included art, quiz bowls, lectures, workshops and "Olympika" games.

Events began with a greeting by the league state chair Deb Stakenas, and Carol Korenstra, Latin teacher at Grant High School.

A keynote address followed by Professor Thomas Sienkewicz of Monmouth College, Ill. He spoke about the history of the "Trojan Horse" theme in cartoon art.

Following the address, students and teachers were divided into activity groups ranging from "How to make a Trojan Horse," to "Creating Trojan Horse Cartoons."

Brad McNellan of Detroit Country Day moderated the first rounds of the Latin Certamen (quiz bowl), formed of composite teams from several schools.

Three Grosse Pointe students advanced to the final

round.

Olympika events including the "Javelin Throw," "Discus Throw," "Chariot Race," "Mummy Wrap," and "Tug of War" pitting North students against South. North won.

Don Wisniowiecki, a South High parent, served as adult chaperone.

A general assembly in the afternoon allowed the final quiz bowl rounds and award presentations.

Highlights were:

♦ Bailey Bledsoe (school spirit team), North junior, Latin II, art contest.

♦ Kit Clement (first prize, Latin quiz), South sophomore, Latin II, Certamen.

♦ Jamie Ding (second prize, Latin quiz bowl), North sophomore, Latin II, Certamen.

♦ Yuliya Harris (third prize, Latin quiz bowl), North junior, Latin III certamen.

♦ Lauren McGraw, (spirit team), North junior, Latin III, art contest.

♦ John Shook (spirit team), South senior, Latin III, Certamen.

♦ Andrew Wisniowiecki (spirit team), South sophomore, Latin II, spirit team.

♦ Matthew Yascolt, (spirit team), North junior, Latin III, art contest.

♦ Devin Zoltowski (third prize, art impromptu), South sophomore, Latin II.

*Ad in perpetuum, ave atque vale.*



Grosse Pointe high school Latin club members and faculty sponsor David Smith give a clamare-out to their homies.

### MONTEITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Restoring Monty the Tiger's roar

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Monty the tuneful Tiger is a mascot without a song. He has lyrics but no melody.

Monty is the mascot of Monteith Elementary School.

According to the lyrics of his song, he's friendly, little, helpful and playful.

The problem is no one at the

school knows how to sing his song. Its lyrics are structured along the lines of "Itsy Bitsy Spider," but no one knows for sure.

"It's time to restore Monty's roar," said Principal Chet Bauer. "I've asked people who know the song to sing it to my music teacher."

Bauer discovered words to the song printed on the back

cover of the school's 50th anniversary cookbook printed in 2001.

He envisions reconstructing the melody and reestablishing the tradition of students singing the song at school events.

"Monty's Song" was written in 1958 by Monteith's first principal Marshall C. Jameson. He served from 1951 to 1963.

Lyrics to "Monty's Song" are:

*Friendly little Tiger  
Monty is his name  
Little Tiger Mascot  
Monty we acclaim.  
From the start he's been  
A part of all our work & play.  
He's been here thru every year*

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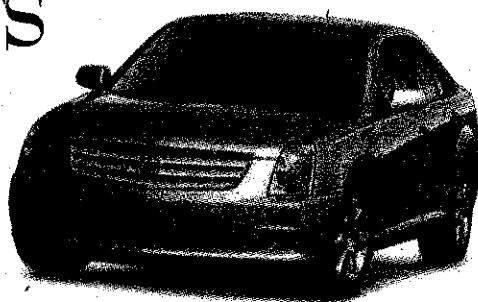
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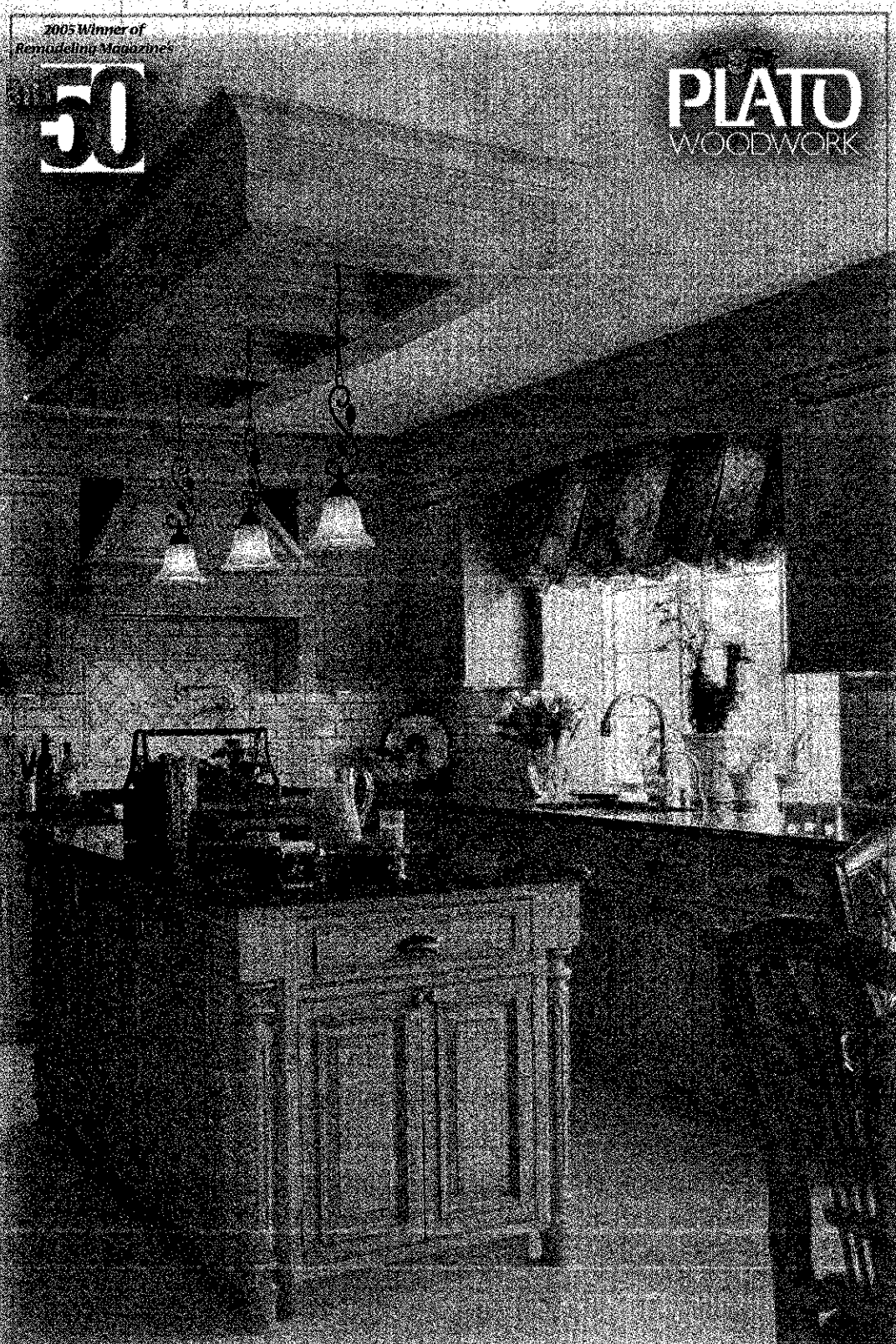
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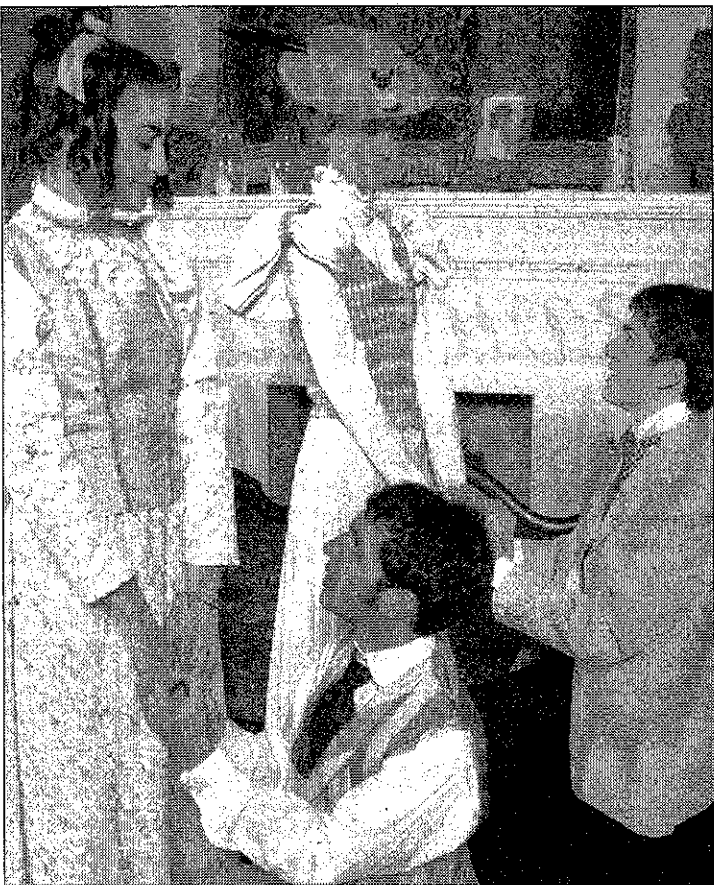
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‘Importance’ this week

The Grosse Pointe South High School Pointe Players present Oscar Wilde’s comedy “The Importance of Being Earnest” beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17. Shows follow at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19. Performances are at the Grosse Pointe South High School Auditorium, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. The comedy of manners, written in the late 1800s, concerns Algernon, a wealthy Londoner, who escapes unwelcome social obligations by ducking out of town and pretending to visit a sick friend in the country. Pretend characters and fake names lead to confusion, misunderstanding and laughs. As one of Wilde’s characters says, “The truth is rarely pure and never simple.” Tickets cost \$10; and \$8 for students and senior citizens are available at Posterity: A Gallery in the Grosse Pointe Village and at the door before each performance. Cast members include, at top from right, Carrie Fisk as Cecily Cardew; Paul Manganello as Algernon Moncreiff; Erica Peplin as Gwendoyne Fairfax; and Jon Manganello as Jack Worthing; and at bottom, from right: Jordan Browne, footman; Erica Peplin as Gwendolyn Fairfax; Alex Morgan as Merriman the butler; Matt Hendershot as Dr. Chasuble and Grace Dentonas as Miss Prism.



PHOTOS BY LARRY PEPLIN

School audit clean

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Chris Fenton’s accounting teacher would be proud. A recent audit of financial records Fenton keeps for Grosse Pointe public schools received the highest rating possible. “It’s not unlike other years — a clean opinion,” said Fenton, assistant superintendent for business affairs. In auditing parlance, a clean or unqualified opinion means

the books add up and balance. “The goal of the audit is to make sure the financial statements presented are free from material misstatement,” said Mark Tschirhart, a partner with BDP Seidman accounting consultants hired to do the annual audit. “The big news is our general fund equity is at \$14.2 million, which is beyond our original projection,” Fenton said. “Fund equity is reserves, in essence.” The figure is \$1.6 million more than anticipated and rep-

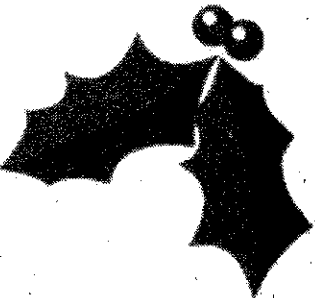
resents about 13.9 percent of the budget. A cushion well within the 10 to 15 percent of equity reserves, Fenton said, is generally recommended. “You can’t, by state law, operate in a negative position of fund equity,” he said. The audit reflects the district’s book as of June 30. Results showed a decrease in anticipated revenue from county flow-through grants for

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How bazaar

Handcrafted gift items and unique treasures made by more than 150 juried exhibitors will be for sale at the 31st annual Parcels Middle School Holiday Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2. Admission is \$3. Early bird admission at 9 a.m. is \$4 by advance sale only. Advance tickets will be sold at Parcels from 2 to 4 p.m. Nov. 27 through Dec. 1, and from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 28. Lunch and snacks will be available. No strollers, please. The bazaar is the Parcels PTO’s only major fundraiser. Parcels Middle School is located at 20600 Mack at the corner of Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (313) 432-4600. Parcels Holiday Bazaar chairpeople, from left, Anne Coates, Diane Richards and Peggy Andrejczyk display a Santa craft from the show.



District gears up for labs

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

Who knows what marvels will spring from young minds bitten by scientific discovery when new laboratories are installed at Pierce and Parcels middle schools. “If we’re looking to capture future scientists, doctors and engineers, we capture them in middle school. In high school, it’s too late,” said Dale Ehresman, architect of new labs approved for two of the

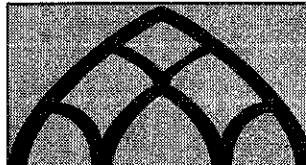
district’s three middle schools. School officials this week approved construction bids totaling \$2,199,000 to build larger and more up-to-date labs for what could yield a future crop of lab-coated wunderkinds. “The governor is saying the future of Michigan is in life sciences and medical biotechnology,” said Ehresman, principal owner of Dale Ehresman

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Needs of gifted children

“One size does not fit all.” That’s the theme of the Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education’s 2006 East and West Evening Conferences to be held Thursday, Nov. 16, in Birmingham. The conference runs from 6 to 9 p.m. at Derby Middle School. Fees are \$50 to \$60 for the general public and \$40 to \$50 for alliance members. Sam Sinicropis and Charlotte Koger from the

Michigan Department of Education will present “Early College Credit Earning Opportunities,” about meeting the needs of gifted children in Michigan’s public schools. Breakout sessions include: ♦ Ellen Fiedler, a psychologist and college professor, will present “Parenting the Gifted: A Challenging Balancing Act.” She will help parents understand their gifted children, their differences and how they can help their children to reach their full potential. ♦ Jacquelyn Melin will discuss “Strategies to Help You Differentiate Instruction.” Melin will offer educators take-home ideas to use for high ability students in their classroom. Her ideas are structured for use in preexisting curriculum. Registration forms and additional information is available on the Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education Web site located at [m giftedchild.org](http://m giftedchild.org), or by contacting Sue Belaski by telephone at (616) 365-8230, by fax at (616) 364-1114 or [sbelaski@comcast.net](mailto:sbelaski@comcast.net). These programs are sponsored by the non-profit Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education, the state affiliate for the National Association for Gifted Education.



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**MONTY:**  
**School song lacks melody**

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“None of the current staff know the melody or rhythm of it,” said Amy Roy, mother of a Monteith student. Bauer is seeking alumni who remember how the school song goes. Paula DeCarlo, the school’s vocal music teacher, will help reconstruct the melody but would benefit from first-hand help. Bauer has a long distance lead. “My wife’s cousin, who has to be in his 60s, attended Monteith,” he said. “If worse comes to worse, we’ll call him in Florida and have him sing the song.”



# Maire Bear named Karl

Maire Bear is no stump on the log. The elementary school mascot is now part of the landscape due to chainsaw artist Scott Kuefler. Kuefler recently carved Maire Bear out of a tree stump on the Maire Elementary playground. Students at the school on Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe decided to call the bear Karl after Karl Pfahler, long-time head engineer who passed away in July, according to Ann-Marie Smihal, first grade teacher.

## Parents learn to keep kids safe on Internet

Grosse Pointe school leaders have scheduled an Internet safety workshop for parents on Thursday, Nov. 16, from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at the performing arts center on the campus of Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Investigator Ray Johnson of the Wayne County Sheriff's Internet Crime Unit is scheduled to discuss "in plain

English" how predators target children on MySpace, Facebook, blogs, e-mails, chat rooms, Web cams, chat lingo and more. Johnson also will discuss identity theft, viruses and other topics.

The event is hosted by the Grosse Pointe North Parents' Club and Norsemoons, Grosse Pointe South Mother's Club, Parcels PTO, Brownell PTO and Pierce PTO.

## LABS: Two of three labs set to go

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Architects and a resident of Grosse Pointe Park. "When pharmaceutical companies come to Michigan, they'll look at our middle school science programs more than at the high school programs because they're looking for future employees. It's really important to the community and state."

Work at Pierce involves transforming the original but vacant second-floor school library and five science labs into five new labs, three preparation rooms, a fire exit stairway, a classroom and office.

Ehresman said labs will have modern equipment, more sinks, electrical outlets and data control points.

"But, mostly, they'll have more space — about 50 percent more floor area than present labs, plus adjacent prep rooms for teachers to get ready for kids to do special experiments," Ehresman said.

Construction will begin this spring, occur in four phases, be coordinated to minimize interference with instruction, extend into summer and include demolition, installation of new ceilings, lighting, heating, ventilating and air conditioning.

Completion is scheduled for September 2008.

The job is being contracted to MICCO Construction for \$1,099,000. School officials selected the company in part because of its successful renovation of science labs at South High.

The Parcels project will be contracted to Premacon Inc., a company that specializes in school and municipal projects, a company representative said.

The firm's low bid of \$1.1 million beat six competitors. Total cost is projected to exceed \$1.3 million when separate bids for flooring, the ceiling and chairs are included.

Premacon workers will renovate the school's vacant library space, five classrooms and three laboratories into six new science labs. Construction is targeted for completion in February 2008.

Work includes demolition, installation of new heating, ventilating and air-conditioning, electric and data lines.

As at Pierce, construction will be phased to minimize disruption during the school year.

This will be the district's first dealings with Premacon. References and background checks gave no indication the company couldn't meet the job's specifications, according to Fenton.

Future Brownell Middle School students can look forward to new labs of their own.

Fenton said the project could be ready for presentation next month. Ehresman said bids could be solicited early next year.

## AUDIT: District books earn an "A"

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special education.

"Part of that was we couldn't book it as a receivable," Fenton said. "We have to book it as we receive it. We often don't receive special education revenue until two years after the fact."

Special education transportation costs were higher than expected.

"Our original budget was \$475,000," Fenton said. "We anticipated \$598,000 and it's actually \$635,845."

He said the increase was due to more special education students, more transportation routes and higher gasoline costs.

Trustee and finance committee liaison Fred Minturn was

concerned the district hasn't collected about \$2 million of special education funding that had been budgeted this year.

"If there's an area we need to fine-tune our accounting, it's in that area," he said.

Fenton said about \$1.1 million of that amount will be collected within one or two years and therefore couldn't be booked this year as a receivable.

Minturn also pointed out that about \$3.3 million of fund equity, or 20 percent, was used this year.

"About half of that number was early retirement accrual, but the other half was a whole variety of things we took out of fund equity for the year," he said.

Fenton attributed the \$1.7 million retirement accrual to last year's buyout of more than 30 teachers that auditors said had to be booked in the current year.

"It pays for itself in the first year," Fenton said.



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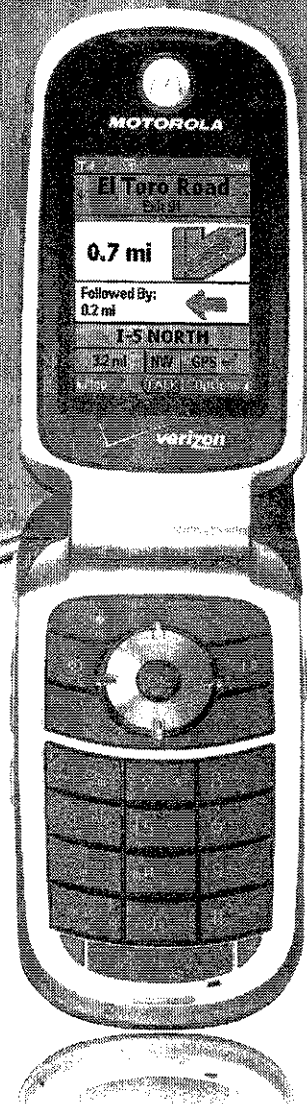


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# OBITUARIES

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.

## Richard Smith Campbell

Richard "Dick" Smith Campbell, 77, died Sunday, Oct. 8, 2006, at St. John Senior Community in Detroit after a courageous struggle with metastatic melanoma.

Mr. Campbell was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., to Alma Aliza Smith and Clarence "Red" John Campbell and was raised in Clarion, Erie and northeast Pennsylvania. He graduated from the State University of Pennsylvania and earned a certificate of achievement from the General Motors Institute in Detroit.

He served as a corporal in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Afterward, Mr. Campbell returned to his beloved Michigan to work for IBM. He met and married Cheryl Norvell Reberdy. They resided locally to raise their family of two sons, Scott and Blair, and their daughter, Heather.

He was treasured throughout his life by many great friendships and organizations which he spearheaded. He championed many religious organizations to which he belonged by contributing his tireless joie de vivre to improving life.

Mr. Campbell was a tireless campaigner of issues of righteousness and took action in the English Speaking Union as past president. He was acting past president of the St. Andrews Society and chairman of the Highland Games.

He was enthusiastically active in the Republican Party, the Detroit anti-gambling campaign, the Detroit Boat Club and its restructuring, the Grosse Pointe Ski Club and The Players.

He was also a longtime and loyal member of St. Michael's Episcopal Church of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Mr. Campbell held to the highest esteem the company of his many friends and found this to be life's greatest gift.

His dearest companion was the late Molly L. Flintermann of the City of Grosse Pointe, who accompanied him for 16 years on many mutually enjoyed organizational and social activities.

Mr. Campbell is survived by his children, Scott (Linda) Campbell of New York, N.Y., Blair Campbell and Heather (David) Morrison; and his grandchildren, Christopher and Lindsey, and Cheryl Norvell Reberdy Campbell Buzzelli of Indialantic, Fla.

Memorial services will be held at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods the week of his birthday, the first week of May 2007.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

## Connie Cracchiolo

Connie Cracchiolo, 79, of Grosse Pointe Shores, died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2006, at her home.

She was born Jan. 6, 1927 in Detroit, to Matthew and Grace Delise.

Mrs. Cracchiolo was a member of the Lochmoor Club, the Fontbonne Auxiliary of the St. John Hospital and Medical Center, and the Rosary Altar Society at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church. She was involved in numerous charitable volunteer organizations.

She lived for her family and recently said, "I was put on this earth to teach my family love and how to live a Christian life, and now my job is done."

Her hobbies were her children and grandchildren in addition to golf and bowling.

She is survived by her husband, Peter J. Cracchiolo; daughters, Bernadette (Eric) Lindquist, Grace Cracchiolo and Phyllis (Gregory) DeMars; son, Peter T. (Camille) Cracchiolo; grandchildren, Kristina Mulder (Daniel), Rebecca Gibbons, and Laura, Michael Jr. and David Tindall, and Gregory, Sara and Bethany DeMars, and Peter T. Jr., Matthew, Andrew and Mark Cracchiolo; great-grandchildren, Katelynn, Allison and Thomas Mulder; sister, Caroline Delise; and aunt, Catherine Delise.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, Nov. 13, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. The celebrant was His Eminence Adam Cardinal Maida. Entombment is at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mount Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207, or St. John Hospice, c/o St. John Health Foundation, 1471 East Twelve Mile Rd., Madison Heights, MI 48071.

## Vivian Maxine Dymmel

Vivian Maxine Dymmel, 87, of Grosse Pointe Shores, died on Thursday, Nov. 2, 2006, at Sunrise Assisted Living in Grosse Pointe Woods.

She was born April 19, 1919, in Flint, to Albert and Emaline Hicks. After graduating from Northern High School in Flint, she became a beautician.

Her daughter, Myrna, wrote, "As a young person, Maxine accepted the Lord as her personal Saviour. She served the Lord in various ways."

It was at Flint's North Baptist Church where she met her husband-to-be, Nelson Dymmel. Their wedding was held on Aug. 3, 1940, and they

were married for 55 years.

When the couple moved from Flint to Detroit, they joined the Burns Avenue Baptist Church, which relocated to Grosse Pointe Woods and is now known as the Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, where Mrs. Dymmel enjoyed being in the Naomi Women's Missionary Fellowship Circle for many years.

In the early 1970s, Mr. and Mrs. Dymmel transferred their membership to the Bethel Baptist Church in St. Clair Shores where she was a member of the Mary-Martha Circle. She served as treasurer of the Women's Missionary Fellowship and worked in the vacation Bible school for many years. She was also on the music committee and worked in the Awana program.

Mrs. Dymmel was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her daughter, Myrna (Gordon) Russell; two grandchildren, Lee Ann (Michael) Brinker and Gordon (Lisa) Russell Jr.; and six great-grandchildren, Michael Jr., Carly, Courtney and Robertson Brinker, and Gordon III and Brett Russell.

She was predeceased by her husband, Nelson Dymmel and sister, Betty.

A funeral service was held on Monday, Nov. 6, at Warren Woods Baptist Church where she was a member. Interment is at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Warren Woods Baptist Church.

## Barbara Rumney Hoag

Barbara Rumney Hoag, 89, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, died Sunday, Oct. 22, 2006, at Lee Memorial Hospital in Ft. Myers, Fla., after a short illness.

She was born Feb. 15, 1917, to Miriam and Mason P. Rumney, longtime Grosse Pointe residents. She attended the University Liggett School and Sarah Lawrence College.

Mrs. Hoag was a member of Sigma Gamma Society, the Grosse Pointe Artists Association and the Scarab Club. During World War II, she ran the Red Cross Motor Corps in Detroit.

While she was best known for her expressive water colors, Mrs. Hoag was also an avid sailor.

She had a passion and zest for life that will be remembered by all who knew her.

Mrs. Hoag is survived by her daughter, Barbara Rumney (Edward J. Hayes) Callahan of Fairfield, Conn.; three grandchildren, Andrew, Cory and Thomas; and one great-grandchild, Sofia.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mrs. Hoag's name to the Grosse Pointe Artists Association, 1005 Maryland St., Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, or the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth St., Detroit, MI 48202.

## Thomas F. Martin

Thomas "Marty" F. Martin, 78, of Yale, died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2006.

He was born June 4, 1928, in Akron, Ohio, to John I. and Florence Martin. He earned a bachelor's degree from the



Richard Smith Campbell



Connie Cracchiolo



Vivian Maxine Dymmel



Barbara Rumney Hoag



Thomas F. Martin



Robert Charles Monson, M.D.

Detroit Institute of Technology.

Mr. Martin was retired from the Grosse Pointe Park Police Department. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He enjoyed playing golf, listening to classical music and traveling.

Mr. Martin is survived by his brother, Donald (Barbara) Martin.

He was predeceased by his sister, Martha Campbell and brothers, Raymond and John Campbell.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, Nov. 13, at St. Clare of Montefalco in Grosse Pointe Park.

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

## Robert Charles Monson, M.D.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Robert "Doc" Charles Monson, M.D., 90, died Thursday, Nov. 9, 2006, at Bon Secours Hospital.

He was born Sept. 14, 1916, in Abercrombie, N.D., to Alton and Maude Monson. He earned both his undergraduate and medical degrees (1943) from Wayne State University.

He served his country as a captain in the U.S. Army during World War II.

When he was a child, Dr. Monson was hospitalized for several months with pneumonia. It was during this time he decided to become a doctor. He relished the 63 years he practiced medicine. Dr. Monson was a family practice physician at the Chaester Morang Clinic. He was past chief of staff and surgery at Saratoga Hospital.

He was an active member of the Northeast Detroit Lions Club for which he served as chapter president many times.

Dr. Monson touched the lives of everyone who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his daughter, Sharron Loveland; sons, Dr. Robert (Rebecca) Monson

II and Dr. Scott (Rebecca) Monson; son-in-law, Thaddeus Stawick; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and loving companion, Naomi Sleek.

He was predeceased by his wife, Lorraine Dusablon Monson; and daughter, Roberta Lorraine Stawick.

Interment is at Grosse Pointe United Church Columbarium.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Northeast Detroit Lions Club.

## Malvinas Lillian Bell Regan

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident, Malvinas Lillian Bell Regan died on Sunday, Nov. 5, 2006, at the Henry Ford Continuing Care Center in Roseville.

Known to her close friends and family as Mally, she was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Dec. 18, 1908, to Henry and Jessie Clifton Bell. Her name, Malvinas, is from the Argentinean name of Isla Malvinas for the Falkland Islands located at the end of the earth where the three oceans — the Atlantic, Antarctic and Pacific — meet and where her parents colonized the Falkland Islands for England.

Mrs. Regan had a diversified education in business and worked for an insurance company, advertising firm and Michigan's State Land Office Board during the Depression. She also was employed by Chrysler Corp., All Saints by the Sea in California and a piston manufacturing company. After many years of employment, she met and married Bruce M. Regan in 1956.

The Episcopal Church was a very important part of her faith. She was very involved with the Episcopal Church Women and, especially, the Altar Guilds of St. Michael's in Grosse Pointe Woods, St.



Malvinas Lillian Bell Regan

Luke's in Jacksonville, Fla., and Christ Church Grosse Pointe. She hand-sewed many Eucharistic fair linens and purificators.

Mrs. Regan will be remembered by many for her sharp mind, ready wit and memory for details. She was fastidious in her appearance and presence.

She is survived by her nieces and nephews, Candace Sweeny and Susan Tompkins, both of Grosse Pointe, and Sharon Williams, Simpson Leonard Jr., Mary Black, John Bell, Tom Lee, Robert Elfvin, Bruce Elfvin, Donald Elfvin, Jessie Elfvin and Sam Elfvin; many great-nieces and nephews; and her step-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Bruce Regan; his two sons; her sisters Jessie Leonard, Octavia Costello, Elizabeth Lee and Gloria Elfvin; and her brothers, Clifton, Lionel and George Bell.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will be at the Christ Church Columbarium. Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church Grosse Pointe or St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Grosse Pointe Woods or the charity of one's choice.

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# Council OKs garage

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

First it was a privacy fence, now Grosse Pointe Woods resident Louis Gormely received approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals to add a second garage at his new home in the 20400 block of Sunningdale Park.

"I need the second garage because I have four cars to park and tons of toys since I have young children who seem to have a lot of stuff to play with," Gormely said. "I bought the house and have spent a lot of money to do spruce it up so it looks good in a very nice neighborhood."

Gormely was allowed to construct a large privacy fence surrounding his rear property that abuts a church

parking lot.

"I want more privacy so I can spend time in my backyard with my wife and kids without people looking into my yard," Gormely said. "The added garage and a new pool are on my list of things to accomplish at my new home."

Woods Building Inspector Gene Tutag said Gormely needed a variance since the current ordinance does not allow for homes to encroach on front easements with a large garage.

However, Tutag also said a hardship provided by the owner was the house had more than 10 rooms, which allows for the building of another garage.

"I saw the plans and everything fits within the lot cover-

age and the addition will make that home fit in that neighborhood," Tutag said. "Mr. Gormely is doing everything possible to turn that house around."

Gormely told the Zoning Board of Appeals that construction on the garage and pool will begin shortly and completed as soon as possible.

Mayor Robert Novitke wanted to make sure the project will begin within six months and be completed within a year.

Neighbors Larry Hurst and Tim Addy both spoke on Gormely's behalf, telling ZBA officials they're happy with the work he is doing on his home and that the additions will add to the beauty of their neighborhood.

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SHOP TALK By Greg Zyla

# Winterize your vehicle



Thanks to our friends at Goodyear, here are eight quick tips to keep you on the road this winter.

1) Change your wipers to winter blades. By having a jacket over the wiper, it won't fill up with salt and snow, thus keeping the blade on the windshield. Use de-icer windshield washer fluid to prevent freezing or hazing on cold days.

2) Get your battery tested now. At zero degrees Fahrenheit, a car's battery loses about 60 percent of its

strength.

3) Check your tire tread. During the winter, your tires need extra traction to keep your car on the road. In particularly cold climates, drivers should consider investing in specially designed winter tires.

4) If you drive in an especially cold climate, consider switching to a synthetic blend designed to keep your motor oil from getting thick like maple syrup in freezing temperatures.

5) Check your antifreeze before the temperature falls, and flush the entire system if necessary. The same antifreeze that keeps your engine from boiling over in the summer will protect your engine coolant from freezing.

6) Keep your gas tank at least half full during the winter to decrease the chances of

moisture forming in the gas lines and possibly freezing, which could cause your car to stall.

7) Have a qualified mechanic examine your car's engine belts for signs of cracking and wear. Making sure your belts are tight and secure is an easy way to avoid a breakdown this winter.

8) Carry the following items in case you get stuck in the snow and ice: ice scraper, snow shovel, kitty litter spread for better traction, snow boots, extra clothes for warmth, flashlight, blanket, bottled water, snacks and needed medication. And don't forget your cell-phone charger.

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Two years ago, 13-year-old Brittany Bergquist of Norwell, Mass., and her 12-year-old brother, Robbie, started Cell Phones for Soldiers to raise money to buy prepaid calling cards for soldiers serving overseas.

They opened their first bank account for the program with just \$21 from their piggy banks. The bank responded with a \$500 donation to help them get started. Since then, through hard work and determination, Brittany and Robbie have helped Cell Phones for Soldiers establish more than 5,000 drop-off sites for cell phones, ink-jet cartridges, PDAs and iPods across the United States.

Profits from recycling as well as generous donations have now reached close to \$1 million, funding 100,000 prepaid



Brittany and Robbie Bergquist

phone cards for American troops serving in Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan and elsewhere.

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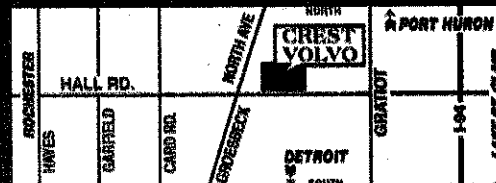
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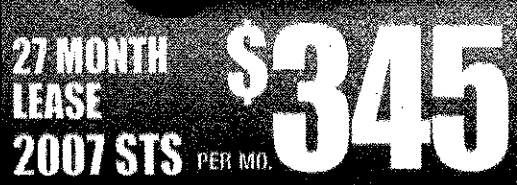
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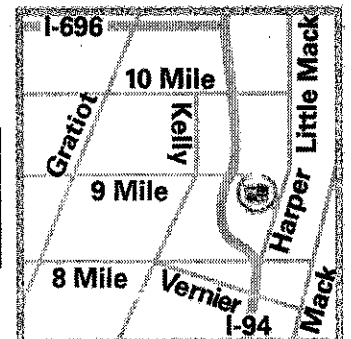
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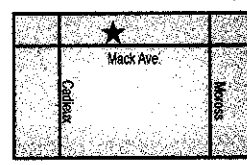
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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## Grosse Pointe Park

### Bike stolen

On Thursday, Nov. 9, a 20-inch blue boys Dyno NFX bike was stolen from the bike racks at Pierce Middle School in Grosse Pointe Park.

### Window broken

On Saturday, Nov. 11, a small stained glass window was broken on a home in the 1200 block of Wayburn.

### Stratus stolen

Overnight on Wednesday, Nov. 8, a maroon 1998 Dodge Stratus was stolen from the rear yard of a home in the 1300 block of Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park.

Suspects tried to steal a second vehicle in the same area, but the car would not start.

### Booked

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, at 3:31 p.m., a reported home invasion took place in the 1500 block of Lakeview Court in Grosse Pointe Park.

A late model white Cadillac driven by the suspect was located traveling westbound on Fairfax and was stopped after a short pursuit.

A 36-year-old Detroit man was arrested for the home invasion.

—Bob St. John

## Grosse Pointe Woods

### Fire update

Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Mike Makowski said they are close to determining who set the Sunday, Nov. 5, fire at Grosse

Pointe North High School.

"We are talking to the attorney of three juvenile suspects who are students at Grosse Pointe North High," Makowski said. "A prosecutor was also present and at the moment we're gathering as many facts as we can as to who exactly committed the crime and why they did it."

Lit flares caused a fire on the roof of the high school's greenhouse, causing more than \$10,000 in damage, said Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent for business affairs and support services for Grosse Pointe Public Schools.

School was canceled Monday, Nov. 6, and students were off Tuesday, Nov. 7, for a teacher in-service day. Classes resumed Wednesday, Nov. 8.

### Shots fired

Several minutes after a party broke up in the 900 block of Hollywood early in the morning Saturday, Nov. 11, several teenagers heard a series of gunshots coming from a vehicle parked down the street.

Grosse Pointe Woods police officers found several bullet casings, but a gunman and the weapon have not been found. The gun used was either a semi-automatic rifle or pistol.

"We're trying to talk to people who knew what happened," Makowski said. "We want to put an end to this investigation as soon as we can because this is something that shouldn't happen in our community."

### Drunken stupor

On Friday, Nov. 10, at 10:06 p.m., a 32-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores man crashed his black 2006 Mercedes Benz into a curb on Fairway and Lochmoor, causing his front

tires to deflate.

A Grosse Pointe Woods police officer was called to the scene. The officer received only the man's driver license.

The driver told the officer he was at a local establishment and consumed one or two mixed drinks.

The officer detected an odor of intoxicants coming from the man's facial area. The driver failed several field sobriety tests, but would not submit to a portable breath test (PBT).

The man was arrested for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and refusing to take a PBT.

He was released after posting a \$100 bond.

### Wrong plate

On Sunday, Nov. 12, at 10:55 p.m., a 20-year-old Detroit man driving a silver 1998 Buick LeSabre was pulled over after a Grosse Pointe Woods police officer received information from a LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check that the license plate on the vehicle belonged to a car reported stolen.

A LEIN check revealed the man had a warrant out of Detroit for driving with a suspended license and one out of Redford for failure to appear in court.

The man was arrested for driving with a suspended license.

### Ran red light

On Sunday, Nov. 12, at 1:42 a.m., a 59-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man driving a silver 2005 Dodge Caravan was stopped after running the red light on Mack and Vernier.

A Grosse Pointe Woods police officer detected an odor of intoxicants coming from the man's facial area and noticed

the driver's eyes were watery.

The driver could produce only his driver license and told the officer he had been drinking since 3 p.m. because he was watching college football on television.

The man failed several field sobriety tests and a portable breath test registered .179 percent blood alcohol content.

The driver was arrested for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

### False name

On Saturday, Nov. 11, at 1:25 a.m., Grosse Pointe Woods police stopped a 29-year-old Detroit man driving a white 1993 Cadillac, that matched the description of a vehicle that was involved in an armed robbery in Grosse Pointe Park a month ago.

The vehicle's license plate tab was expired and the driver gave the officer a false name.

A LEIN check revealed the man had 11 warrants out of Detroit and one out of Dearborn, plus his license was suspended.

The man was arrested.

—Bob St. John

## Grosse Pointe Shores

### Shots fired

Grosse Pointe Shores police assisted law enforcement from Grosse Pointe Woods after a report of several shots fired in the 900 block of Hollywood early Sunday morning, Nov. 12. No injuries were reported.

Police said shots were fired from an AK-47 assault rifle by at least two males in a silver Sebring. The vehicle then left the area. Officers assisted with crowd control and retrieving spent shell casings. The activity occurred around where a

party had been taking place.

### Suspected burglar arrested

Police arrested a St. Clair Shores man suspected in several area home invasions Saturday, Nov. 11, at Jefferson and 12 Mile. Police had the man under surveillance with assistance from St. Clair Shores and Eastpointe police. Eastpointe police took the suspect into custody.

### Bad plate

Police arrested a Detroit man after he was stopped for not having a license plate on the trailer he was towing.

A LEIN check revealed the man had several traffic warrants. He was arrested and booked. The vehicle and trailer were released to his wife, and the man was released after posting bond.

## Grosse Pointe Farms

### Carjacking arrest

Farms police assisted in the arrest of a Detroit man who led police on a chase down the wrong way on Mack on Saturday, Nov. 11. Police joined the pursuit with law enforcement from St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods after a report of a carjacking in St. Clair Shores.

The man, reaching at speeds up to 80 mph, was reported driving west in the eastbound lanes of Mack before hitting the curb at Colonial in the Farms. The car spun and struck a parked truck before proceeding over the curb and striking a garage and a fence on Colonial Court, where it came to a stop. The man was extricated from the vehicle and transported to an area hospital.

### Address lifted

Police are investigating the theft of brass house numbers in the 200 block of Lakeshore

on Friday, Nov. 10.

Police said the homeowner reported the theft after noticing them missing from a large rock located on the corner of the property. The cost to replace the house numbers is estimated to be \$300.

### Armed man arrested

Police arrested a Detroit man riding his bicycle at Mack and Moross on Saturday, Nov. 10, after officers recognized him from a previous arrest.

Upon searching the man, a knife and drug paraphernalia were found. A LEIN search revealed the man had a previous misdemeanor warrant and he was taken into custody.

### Bad service?

A Detroit man was arrested for disorderly conduct after reportedly going into a rage at a Mack restaurant Friday, Nov. 9.

According to reports, the man became disruptive, shouted obscenities and tried to leap over the service counter several times. Employees and customers said the man was abusive to the restaurant staff and customers alike, and continued his belligerence after being taken into custody.

After being processed, the man had to be moved to an interior cell as he continuously kicked the door of his holding area.

### Bike thief

Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle locked at a public library on Kercheval on Thursday, Nov. 9.

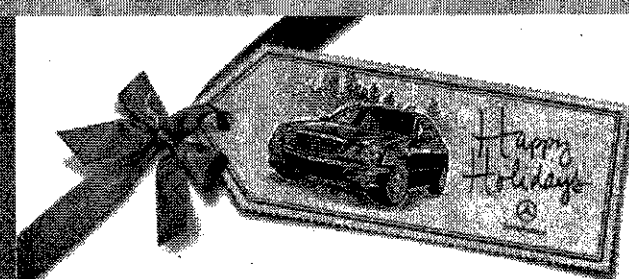
According to reports, the victim locked the bike only to find the chain and cable cut upon returning and the bicycle gone. There are no suspects.

### Business burglary

Police are investigating the burglary of a business in the

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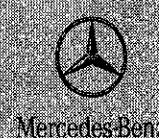
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# Enforcement urges motorists to slow down

Along with counting their blessings this Thanksgiving, motorists might also want to count the many reasons they should observe posted speed limits and drive with special care during the holiday season, especially considering that nearly one third of all traffic fatalities are speeding-related.

Here are a few good reasons to help get started, courtesy of Autobytel's Take the Pledge to Slow Down safe-driving campaign:

1) Between 1994-2004, 25,519 traffic fatalities and an estimated 1,378,026 disabling injuries occurred during the period between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day holiday periods. And while speeding is a factor in 31 percent of all crash fatalities throughout the year, it becomes an even bigger factor during the holidays. In fact, from 1993-2004, 36 percent of Thanksgiving traffic fatalities were speeding-related, as were 37 percent and 38 percent of the traffic fatalities on Christmas and New Year's days, respectively. An upward trend in speeding-related deaths actually starts after October, culminating on New Year's Day — the deadliest day for speeding-related fatalities.

2) Of the 25,519 traffic fatalities during the 1999-2004 holiday seasons, 9,887 (or 37 percent) were alcohol-related. Nearly 40 percent of Thanksgiving weekend traffic fatalities were alcohol-related, as, were 47.4 percent of Christmas traffic fatalities, 50.2 percent of New Year holiday

traffic fatalities ... and a whopping 63.7 percent of Super Bowl Sunday road deaths.

3) Accelerating, stopping, turning — virtually all vehicle maneuvering — requires dramatically more time and distance on snow and ice-covered roads. For example, a car traveling roughly 60 mph on dry

pavement requires about 60 yards to come to a complete stop. A thin layer of frost can more than double that stopping distance to roughly 145 yards and a road covered in packed snow increases that distance to 288 yards, nearly five times as far. In addition to driving at a safe rate, remem-

ber to accelerate and decelerate slowly on snowy roads. Gentle pressure on the accelerator is the best method for avoiding skids and retaining traction. And if the "rule of thumb" following distance is two to three seconds on dry pavement, that should be increased to at least eight to 10

seconds in icy conditions.

4) As the year comes to a close, police departments generally step up highway patrols to nab drunken drivers. While they're at it, rest assured they'll also be flashing their radar guns. The average cost of a speeding ticket, including court fees, runs about \$150.

And in some states driving five to 10 miles over the speed limit results in a ticket costing nearly \$200, while driving 15 to 20 miles over the limit will cost upwards of \$275. The average insurance increase over three years from a speeding ticket, meanwhile, runs roughly \$300.

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18000 block of Mack Tuesday, Nov. 7.

According to reports, a thief entered the business by breaking the glass on the front door. The victim reported that about \$100 was taken from the cash register.

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Dinner and a movie?

Police arrested a Bloomfield man for theft after he fled a Kercheval business on Thursday, Nov. 9.

Police said the man was observed acting suspiciously in the DVD section of the store, and seen leaving with two bags in his hands. He triggered the front door alarm and fled toward Maire Elementary School, according to witnesses. He was arrested after being found in a field on Bluehill and Bremen in Detroit, where the stolen merchandise was found nearby.

One of the bags contained meat that the suspect admitted to stealing from an area grocery store. A LEIN check revealed the man was wanted on several warrants from Macomb County and Detroit.

### Vehicle break-in

Police are investigating the theft of a cell phone from a car parked at the Neighborhood Club on Saturday night, Nov. 11. According to reports, the victim returned to the car and noticed the driver side window removed. Upon further examination, pry marks were found under the door handle and the ignition switch punched out. No suspects have been found.

### Wrong turn

Police arrested a Grosse Pointe Park man for drunken driving after an accident left the vehicle parked on the front lawn of a house in the 800 block of Cadieux on Friday, Nov. 10.

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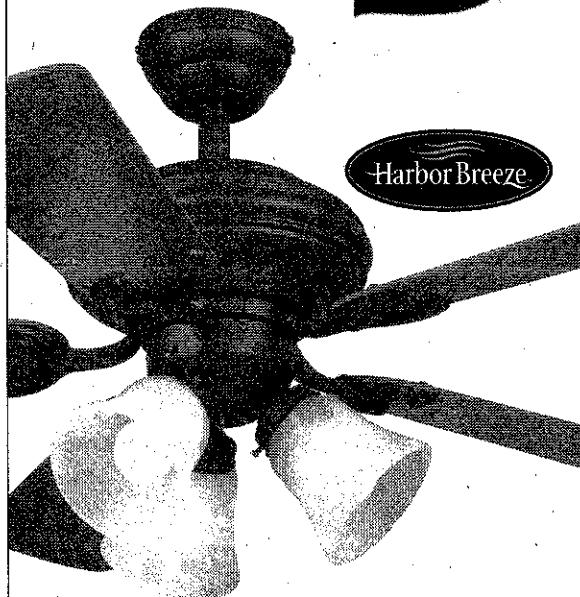
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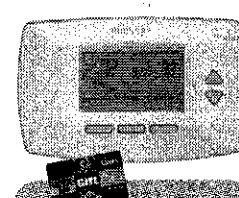
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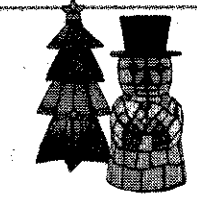
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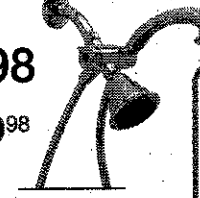
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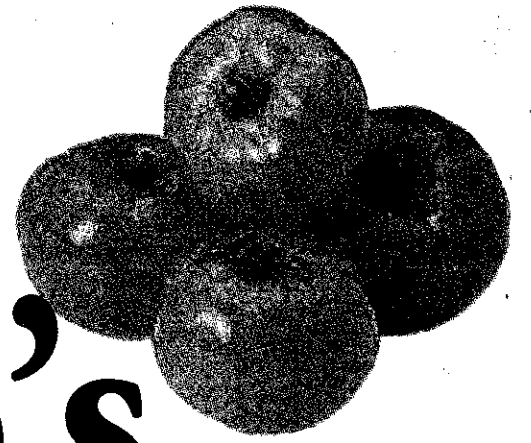
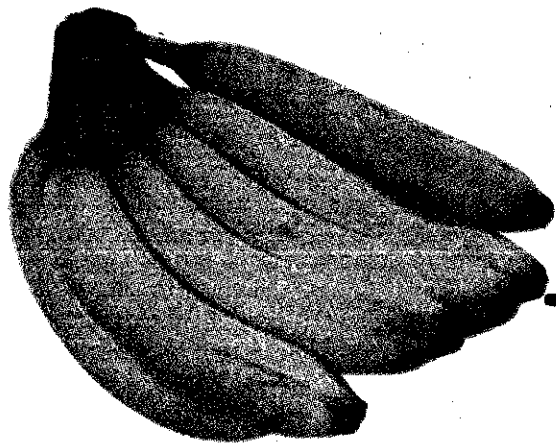
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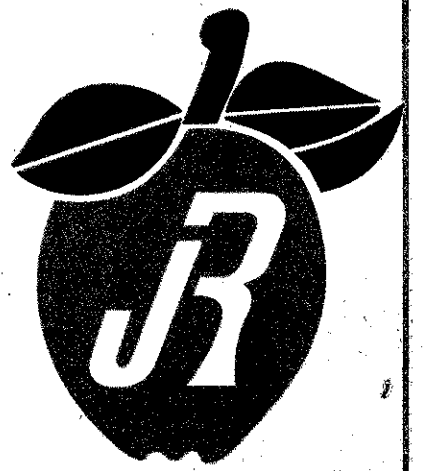


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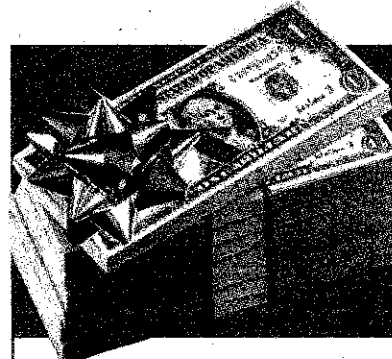
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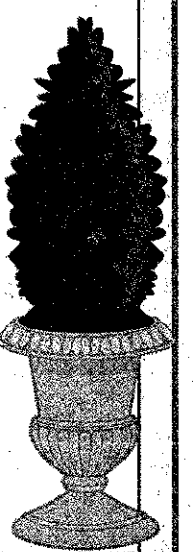
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Even after three decades, there is no sign of wear on the **Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade**, after all ever year the holidays are bright and shiny for 15,000 residents and their guests.

# It's all teamwork

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

A lot can change in 30 years. When the annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade began back in 1975, the highlight was the marching bands from Grosse Pointe South and North high schools.

Not anymore.

When some 15,000 residents line Kercheval Avenue Friday morning, Nov. 24, they can expect to see a display that includes close to 100 floats, marching bands from several area communities, plus dozens of parade units and community groups from around the tri-county area.

The theme of this year's parade is "Join the Team."

"It is basically a theme that displays different kinds of teamwork," said Terri Berschback, parade director. "We will feature teams of reindeer, Scouts, even marching bands are a form of teamwork."

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PARADE: Join the team

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Through all types of weather, from freezing sleet, downpours, to last year's biting cold, the parade has never

been canceled. But weather is never far from the thoughts of parade organizers. "This year we are not even mentioning the "R" word around here," Berschback said. In fact, last year's frigid temperatures disabled some floats. "I was downtown at the Thanksgiving Day Parade



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Above, in 2005, a Curious George float joined the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade. At left, clowns and firefighters always receive a warm welcome from parade viewers, as they did during the 2005 parade. Watch for the 2006 parade to step off at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 24, from the corner of Kercheval and Lewiston and proceed down Kercheval.

and I get a call on my cell that one of the floats is not even starting (because of the cold)," she said. Another float also had to be sidelined when its axle simply broke in two due to the temperature. But weather is not hardly the only logistical challenge for parade organizers. The event lineup is organized weeks in advance to prevent potential snafus. "We have to make sure the marching bands are kept away from the horses so they are not spooked," Berschback said. This year's event will also feature street and stage performers, a giant train transporting student athletes from Grosse Pointe North, South and Liggett high schools, marching bands from Utica, Dakota, Anchor Bay and The Detroit High School for the

Performing Arts plus many more. This year will also see the return of the Santa Sleigh, which made its debut last year. The float is led by eight soaring reindeer pulling a resplendent sleigh holding the big man himself. It is powered not by deer, rather a V6 engine with rear wheel drive. The student-athletes train features four representatives from each school. The festivities kick-off at 9:45 a.m. with a Pre-Parade Festival at Kercheval and Notre Dame in the City of Grosse Pointe. It will feature the popular children's program "The Magic of Nick," plus refreshments from select merchants. At 10 a.m., the parade will begin its long procession down Kercheval, beginning at the corner of Lewiston in

Grosse Pointe Farms. It will travel through the Hill Shopping District and conclude in the City of Grosse Pointe in the Village. The parade is produced by The Village Association, in conjunction with The Hill Association. Berschback cited the tremendous help she receives from the Hill Association, particularly the efforts of Mary Wells and Ed Russell. Beginning at 4:30 p.m., the annual Village Aglow Tree Lighting Ceremony will commence. The Authentic Dickens Carolers will join celebrants welcoming the Christmas season. Mayor Dale Scrace of the City of Grosse Pointe will light the Village Christmas tree at 5 p.m. A holiday sing-along is scheduled to follow the lighting and complimentary hot

chocolate will be served. Sponsors for this year's parade and events include Pentastar Aviation, Crest Volvo, St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Rennel & Co., Sander's, Lochmoor Chrysler Jeep and the Grosse Pointe Boat Club. The parade even has fans from out of town. David Finkle of Kalamazoo brought his daughter Morgan, 6, to last year's event. Despite freezing temperatures they came away very impressed. "It's obvious that (parade organizers) pull out all the stops when it comes to the parade," he said. "I wish we had such a parade that you didn't have to drive 15 miles to get to. It's very well done." This is the fourth and final year for Berschback as parade director. Next year she is handing over the reins to her daughter, Chelsea Groustra of Grosse Pointe Park. Groustra has been getting her hands wet the last couple of years by serving as a volunteer coordinator. But that doesn't mean Berschback is walking away from the event. "I'll be the one in the background telling her what to do," Berschback said, laughing. "It's a mom thing."

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## Give her a drumstick

Eleven-year-old Victoria Li, of Grosse Pointe Shores, will be dressed as a clown for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. The Parcels sixth-grader auditioned last summer at the Detroit Theatre of Dramatic Arts during Camp Broadway, which is made up of Broadway choreographers, producers, actors/actresses and musicians. Auditions were held in nine cities around the country to find 600 children to perform in the opening number, "Give me a Drum." Children will be dressed as stars and clowns. She will be in New York one week ahead of time, practicing four to nine hours a day in preparation of the big day.

## White Christmas Ball preview party

The "Sparkle of the Big Apple" was everywhere as the 2006 White Christmas Ball committee gathered for the annual Preview Cocktail Party at the home of Mary Ann Van Elslander in early October.

This year's preview party co-chairs, Van Elslander and Gloria Clark, staged the party to thank the underwriters and committee members for their support.

Highlights of the cocktail party included the committee members and their spouses, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and piano entertainment by Lenore Paxton. The night's conversation centered around the 53rd annual White Christmas Ball and the goal of

completing the Sister Verence McQuade Corridor of the new pavilion at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

This year the White Christmas Ball will honor Victoria Liggett, who is a lifetime member of the Fontbonne Auxiliary. She and her husband, Bob, are major patrons of the St. John Hospital and Medical Center. The Liggett Breast Center was named in their honor for their gift to the Van Elslander Cancer Center Campaign in 2000.

The 2006 White Christmas Ball will be at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn on Friday, Dec. 8. For more information, call (313) 343-3675.



Attending the preview cocktail party, from left, were Gloria Clark, preview party co-chair; Mary Ann Van Elslander, preview party co-chair; Linda Lloyd, Fontbonne Auxiliary president; and Debbie McCarty, White Christmas Ball chair.

## CLUB NEWS

### Classical music

A 14-year-old piano stylist and performer entertained the 40 members and guests of the Grosse Pointe Classical Music League on Sept. 27.

Spencer Johnson of Birmingham played a musical collage with selections by Sergi Rachmaninoff, Richard Addinsell, Frederic Chopin, Felix Mendelssohn, Howard Hanson, Walter Donaldson, Henry Mancini and Andrew Lloyd Webber for 20 minutes and an encore of "The Sound of Music."

A student at Birmingham Covington School, he said he began playing seriously four years ago. He began playing at the age of 2 under the tutelage

of his father. Johnson said as a stylist performer, he is making his own arrangements and notes, mixing the old and the new together.

The classical music league will next meet on Thursday, Jan. 18.

### Belle Isle

A holiday bazaar sponsored by the Friends of Belle Isle will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3, at the Historic Casino on Belle Isle. There will be a \$2 donation at the door; children under 12 are free.

At 1 p.m. the Nativity of Our Lord Choir performs and at 2 p.m. the St. Charles Choir will sing.

For more information, call The Friends of Belle Isle at (313) 331-7760.

### Barbershop

A barbershop a cappella Christmas, starring the Lakeshore Chorus, Grosse Pointe South A Cappella Singers and the Fermata Nowhere District Champion quartet, will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Advance tickets, available from Al Montag at (313) 881-7517, are \$15 for adults and \$8 for students. Tickets at the door are \$18 for adults and \$10 for students. Tickets can also be purchased at Posterity — A Gallery in the Village before

Nov. 28. Tickets can also be ordered with checks received prior to Nov. 28. Mail to G.P. chapter, 41 Newberry Place, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48236.

### Marine Mart

The Great Lakes Marine Mart will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Admission is \$5; children under 12 are free.

There will be Great Lakes artifacts, artwork, books, brochures, china, photos, ship models and souvenirs.

For more information, call Kathy McGraw at (313) 791-8452 or e-mail at mcgrawka@sbcglobal.net.

## Seniors have one date to receive flu shots

It's no fun to get the flu. And there is no reason to contract the flu when seniors have a flu shot clinic available to them from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, Nov. 17, at SOC.

This is the last day seniors can make an appointment for the shot at SOC, which is free with Medicare documentation. SOC has had two dates and 1,100 area seniors have received the injection. In 2005, 1,800 were inoculated.

According to the Visiting Nurse Association more than 36,000 people die each year as a result of the flu, which is contagious and caused by a virus.

Anyone can get the flu and serious problems from influenza can happen at any age. It can also make chronic health problems worse.

It attacks the respiratory

tract. The flu comes on suddenly and may include:

- ◆ Fever, headache, body aches
- ◆ Tiredness
- ◆ Dry cough and sore throat
- ◆ Nasal congestion

Flu is spread when a person who has the flu coughs, sneezes or speaks and send the virus into the air and other people inhale the virus. It enters the nose, throat or lungs and begins to multiply.

A person can spread the flu starting 24 to 48 hours before he or she feels sick.

Adults can continue to pass the flu virus to others for another three to seven days after symptoms start.

Children can pass the virus for longer than seven days. Symptoms start one to four days after the virus enters the body.

## Town Club supports several causes

Colony Town Club was founded in 1935 to advance the educational, social, cultural and philanthropic interest of its members.

For nine years, the club was located at 7850 E. Jefferson. The club house was closed in 1944 when the building was sold.

Though the club has no residence of its own, the membership has retained its unity and identity.

It has continuously provided a yearly program of social and other activities designed to further the four-fold purpose for which the Colony Town Club was founded.

It has monthly sewing meet-

ings and social and fundraising activities throughout the years. Members are interested in various civic groups, supports cultural, educational and philanthropic organizations. Since 1947, Colony Town Club's philanthropic interest has been the Cancer Loan Closet.

In response to a request from the American Cancer Society, the club voted to establish and maintain a loan closet at the Michigan Cancer Foundation headquarters.

Colony Town Club received wide recognition as a pioneer in this endeavor.

Its success became a model for other such loan closets

throughout the country.

The Cancer Loan Closet is devoted solely to providing aid and comfort to cancer patients.

It is incorporated in the State of Michigan as the Cancer Loan Closet Foundation of Detroit and is tax free.

The Cancer Loan Closet supports the Karmanos Cancer Institute and other cancer centers through fund raisers and sewing meetings.

This group makes lap blankets, bed jackets, hats and mittens knowing that each patient admitted to Karmanos will receive one of each.

The Cancer Loan Closet also supports Camp Quality and sends two children, with can-

cer, to summer camp.

The club's donation also pays for two caregivers.

The Colony Town Camp supports the following charities:

- ◆ Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library
- ◆ Detroit Symphony Orchestra
- ◆ Methodist Children's Home
- ◆ The Founders Society of the Detroit Institute of Arts
- ◆ Children's Home of Detroit
- ◆ Make-a-Wish Foundation of Michigan
- ◆ Services for Older Citizens
- ◆ Child Reach

## Christmas tree to benefit historic house

John Paul Jones Society National Society Children of the American Revolution (CAR) presented a Christmas tree trimmed with 110 Beanie Babies to the historic Loretta Andrus House in Washington Township.

Members, all aged 20 and under, donated the animals and traveled to the historic house to decorate the tree in appreciation for meeting space and project help provided over the past

several years by the Friends of the Octagon House.

The John Paul Jones tree and more than 65 holiday trees donated for a silent auction can be viewed from noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays Nov. 19 and 26 and Dec. 3 and 10. Santa will be available from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, the day the silent auction ends. The trees can also be viewed during reservation only holiday teas:

- ◆ Sugarplum Faerie Tea at

11:30 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 18

◆ Christmas Tea at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 25

◆ Twilight Wine and Cheese Soiree from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 1

◆ Tea with Santa at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9. Reservations can be made by calling Nicki at (586) 254-0989.

The Octagon House is located at 57500 Van Dyke, just north of 26 Mile Road in Washington Township.

Membership in CAR is open to boys and girls who have not yet reached their 22nd birthday and are able to prove lineal descent from an ancestor who helped to further the cause of the American Revolution. John Paul Jones Society is sponsored by the Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution of Grosse Pointe.

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## EVENTS

## Chamber music

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club will present "Mostly Trios," a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

The concert features a piano trio by African-American composer Adolphus Hailstork, a trio for violin, cello and harp by French composer Jacques Ibert and T'filah for cello and piano by Michigan composer Clark Suttle.

Performers include Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra members Patricia Terry-Ross, Velda Kelly and Nadine Deleury as well as pianist Jacqueline Csurgai-Schmitt.

Hailstork was born in 1941 in Rochester, N.Y. He studied at Howard University, Manhattan

School of Music and Michigan State University. Many orchestras including the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, the Baltimore Symphony, the Chicago Symphony and the New York Philharmonic have performed his works. Hailstork's trio for violin, cello and piano was composed in 1985 and is one of his favorite pieces. In it he combines Hebrew, sounding melodies with folk song and a blues element.

French composer Jacques Ibert (1890-1962) wrote his trio for violin, cello and harp, a work in three movements in 1944. Ibert studied at the Paris Conservatory and won the Prix de Rome in 1919. Suttle is a double bass player in the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra and is a conductor, arranger and composer.

T'filah, a Jewish prayer, tells the story of a wanderer who is searching for the meaning of life.

The program will also include a short piece by Rebecca Clarke (1886-1979), an English composer and violinist.

Each piece will be introduced by one of the musicians and the performance will be followed by a reception.

Tickets are \$20 at the door, \$18 in advance and \$10 for students. For more information, call (248) 474-8930.

## Concert choir

Detroit Concert Choir, under the direction of Gordon Nelson, presents "A Thanksgiving Bounty of Music" at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at St. Joan of Arc Church, 21620 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for young adults (8 to 21 years).

For more information, call (313) 882-0118.

## LTA

Thy Will Be Done: But How Do I Know It? Discerning God's Will for the Individual Believer will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, as part of the Lay Theological Academy's series.

The presenter is Monsignor Patrick Halpenny of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

In the Lord's Prayer we always ask "Thy will be done." We know whose will we're to do. We also know that everyone's responsibility, given the human condition, can become no one's.

So, how does the individual disciple discover what God wants him or her to do? The session will examine sacred Scripture's guidance for dis-

cernment and explore elements in the Christian tradition which guide us in this process at the heart of the Christian life.

The cost is \$5 and may be paid via check mailed to Lay Theological Academy Christ, Episcopal Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

## Gifts and Greens


Christ Church's annual Gifts and Greens Sale planned for Dec. 1 through Dec. 3, has gift items for sale, everything from homemade chocolate to custom-designed jewelry. Hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction are slated from 7 to 10 p.m., Friday, Dec. 1. The sale continues from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3. Trees and greens are available until 6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

More than 30 vendors will participate this year, featuring home-made chocolate, custom stationery, jewelry, one-of-a-kind handcrafted items like pottery, custom signposts, boutique items, note cards, nature photography and custom furniture.

Christmas greens and Christmas trees are available and may be pre-ordered.

Under the theme "Binding Families Together," this year's sale will raise funds for the Church of the Messiah's after-school and summer programs for kids in the East Grand Blvd. and Jefferson Ave. neighborhood and Trudy's Loving Center, a women's and children's day shelter and food and clothing pantry operated through St. Philip and St. Stephen Church near Chalmers and Warren.

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## PASTOR'S CORNER

By the Rev. Fred Harms

## Our pilgrimage from life to life

As we get closer to the celebration of Thanksgiving, we remember those who were present for the first Thanksgiving, a mixture of Native Americans and English Puritans known as pilgrims.

There were many hardships, including illness, scarcity of food and many deaths. The winter season was particularly harsh. If it had not been for the leadership and help of Squanto, who was fluent in English, along with his tribe, the pilgrims probably would not have survived. Squanto arranged for John Carver (one of the leaders of the colonists) and Chief Massasoit to exchange gifts and enter into a treaty of peace.

The Indians of this tribe, under Squanto's direction,

showed the pilgrims how to successfully plant corn, hunt and fish.

At harvest time, Gov. Bradford declared a three-day festival. Native Americans and the colony of pilgrims sat down together for a meal that included: corn bread, white bread, roast duck, eel, goose, leeks, shellfish, venison, watercress, wild plums, dried berries and wine (both red and white). It was truly a feast of thanksgiving to God. As we give thanks this Thanksgiving, we remember the past celebrations and sacrifices. We also remember that each of us is on a pilgrimage, a journey of life. We remember that we do not journey alone. God is present with us to guide us, to help us, to encourage us and to love us.

One of my former seminary professors and author of sever-

al books, Reuel Howe, told of an airplane ride during which he was preparing a manuscript for an impending lecture. The young man next to Howe wanted to talk and asked the usual opener, "What do you do?"

Howe wanted to say, "I am a minister," but he knew that would unleash a 30-minute dissertation on why the young man didn't go to church. He thought of saying he was a teacher, but his itinerary would be impossible to explain.

Describing himself as an author would not be completely accurate, so Howe answered, "I am a pilgrim."

His fellow passenger teased, "Oh, I thought pilgrims were all long gone by now." And then he said seriously, "You mean that you are a pilgrim from life to death?"

"No," Howe replied, "I am a

pilgrim from life to life."

We are pilgrims from life to life; from encounter to encounter; from experience to experience. We are earthbound as we are heaven bound at the same time; and, if we don't learn the kingdom language here on Earth, we surely won't know what God is talking about when we get to heaven.

God does not ask any of us if we will accept life; the only choice is how we will accept life. It is in celebrating the "how" that we discover the "why." There is a prepared place for a prepared people but only the pilgrimage gets us ready.

Thank God for the journey, the pilgrimage from life to life.

The Rev. Fred Harms is senior pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

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# Stop — it's the Great American Smokeout

The American Cancer Society is urging millions of smokers across the country to give up their cigarettes for the day and perhaps a lifetime for the 30th American Cancer Society Great American Smokeout on Thursday, Nov. 16.

In the United States, tobacco use is responsible for nearly one in five deaths yet smoking remains the most preventable cause of death in our society. This year, millions of smokers will take action by taking part in the annual Great American Smokeout and smoke less or not at all for the entire day.

The American Cancer Society offers the following tips to help smokers get through the day, or any day,

without cigarettes:

- ◆ Prepare for life as a non-smoker by removing all cigarette-related material (ashtrays, cigarettes and cigarette butts, matches you use for lighting up, etc.) from your home and office — it will help avoid temptation.

- ◆ Smoking urges are worst in the first two weeks. After that they are most likely to recur in situations associated with smoking (e.g., after dinner or in the car).

- ◆ Urges last a few minutes at most, so practice the four Dos:

- ◆ Deep breaths
- ◆ Do something else to get your mind off the craving (call a friend; go for a walk; chew on a carrot stick)
- ◆ Drink lots of water

throughout the day (especially during a craving).

- ◆ Delay reaching for a cigarette; the urge will pass

- ◆ Try to avoid situations that encourage smoking. If you can't, practice telling people you've just quit or that you're a nonsmoker.

- ◆ Change your routines. If you always light up when you have a coffee, drink tea or juice instead. If you always smoked while watching the evening news, read the paper.

- ◆ Use the many tools available. Nicotine patches, gum, and lozenges are available over the counter; a nicotine nasal spray and inhaler and a smoking-cessation medication are available by prescription; and toll-free help lines, such as 800-ACS-2345, and

even online support are available.

- ◆ Most smokers have to try several methods before they succeed in quitting, so keep trying until you find what works for you.

To help encourage smokers to stick with it and get through those urges, it's important to note the healthy changes that start happening, some of them quite quickly.

Within the first 20 minutes of quitting:

- ◆ Blood pressure drops;
- ◆ Increased circulation warms your hands and feet;
- ◆ Heart rate goes down.

In eight hours:

- ◆ Carbon monoxide levels in blood drop to normal;
- ◆ Oxygen levels in blood rise to normal.

In 24 hours:

- ◆ Chance of having a heart attack begins to drop.

In 48 hours:

- ◆ Sense of taste and smell improve.

Two weeks to three months after quitting:

- ◆ Circulation continues to improve;
- ◆ Lung function increases as much as 30 percent.

One to nine months after quitting:

- ◆ Coughing, fatigue, sinus congestion and shortness of breath decrease.

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One year after quitting:

- ◆ Excess risk of heart attack

and death from heart disease is cut in half.

Five to 15 years after quitting:

- ◆ Risk of stroke is reduced to that of a nonsmoker.

- ◆ Risk of death is nearly that of people who have never smoked.

Other benefits of quitting:

- ◆ Your clothes won't smell like smoke.

- ◆ You'll save a lot of money.

A pack a day smoker who spends \$4 a pack will save about \$1,400 per year, not counting health costs.

- ◆ Smokers who quit by age 50 have cut their risk of premature death in half, compared to continuing smokers.

## Foundation helps St. John expansion

The Van Elslander Family Foundation has contributed the lead gift in the \$30 million campaign to support the new St. John Hospital and Medical Center (SJH&MC) expansion.

This pledge includes naming rights to the new 144-bed patient tower, to be named the Van Elslander Pavilion.

The \$163 million, 288,000 square foot facility to be located on the Mack and Moross campus of SJH&MC, is expected to open in 2008.

The tower will feature a new main entrance connected to a three-story atrium lobby located adjacent to the main surface parking lot.

The new entrance will lead to a six-floor tower with 144 private patient rooms. The state-of-the-art facility also will feature consolidated out-

patient diagnostic imaging services as well as an upgraded and consolidated Heart and Circulatory Center.

"We are truly humbled by this generous pledge from the Van Elslander family," said Dave Stephens, interim president, St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

"Their commitment to philanthropy is something to be emulated. St. John Hospital values the strong relationship we have developed with the Van Elslanders and looks forward to our continued partnership. The legacy of this family will be one of tremendous generosity and compassion."

"We are so fortunate to be able to contribute to this magnificent medical center," said Art Van Elslander, speaking

on behalf of his family.

"We hope that our gift will help the community continue to access top quality health care, and bring St. John Hospital closer to its goal of opening the expanded facility in 2008."

Five years ago, the Van Elslander family contributed the lead gift for the Van Elslander Cancer Center at the SJH&MC campus. The Van Elslanders have a long history of philanthropy and have been honored by several local organizations through-

out the years for their charitable contributions and community support.

Art Van Elslander was a 1992 winner of the Max M. Fisher Outstanding Philanthropist Award.

Art Van Elslander is chairman and CEO of Art Van Furniture.

Mary Ann Van Elslander is a community leader who volunteers in St. John Hospital's Infant Special Care Unit and raises money with St. John Hospital's Fontbonne Auxiliary.

## November recognized as National Hospice Month

### History

In 1898, the Visiting Nurses Association of Southeast Michigan (VNA) was founded to provide home health care services to residents of Detroit.

Today, the VNA is the largest, independent nonprofit home health care with hospice organizations in Michigan. In 1994, VNA formalized its hospice program to strengthen the supportive services it had been providing to patients throughout its history.

With emphasis on the whole patient, including the family, VNA's hospice program cares for individuals with conditions ranging from heart failure to cancer to provide pain management and symptom control that allows each individual to have the best quality of life possible while remaining at home.

### Service area

Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

### Cost

Services are covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurances. VNA is also unique to receive funding from United Way for Southeastern Michigan for individuals without insurance.

Hospice services available from VNA of Southeast Michigan include:

- ◆ Regularly scheduled professional services including nursing, therapy, home health aide and social work
- ◆ Spiritual counselors
- ◆ Bereavement support
- ◆ Volunteers to directly assist patient and family
- ◆ Memoir Makers: Volunteer writing program that captures a "living history" of our patients.

### A word from VNA

"VNA's hospice program is one of the most beautiful things that could ever help families facing losing a loved one. It helps the person who's dying, it helps the person caring for the person who is dy-

ing. It helped the whole family," said Mary Coppadge, married to John for 19 years until his death.

### Did you know?

- ◆ Hospice provides medical supervision of symptoms. Occasionally, patients improve or stabilize enough to be discharged from hospice care.

- ◆ Americans are more likely to talk to their children about safe sex than with their parents about impending death.

One in four Americans said that they are "not likely" to talk with a terminally ill parent about the parent's impending death.

- ◆ People 45 years of age and older have a very limited understanding of hospice care.

- ◆ The benefits of hospice are available to anyone facing a life-limiting illness.

Some of the more common diagnoses of patients who come under hospice care include heart disease, multiple sclerosis, dementia, lung disease, Alzheimer's, kidney disease and liver disease.

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## Easy ways to maintain your brain

By Irina Zilberman, M.D.

There may not be a cure for Alzheimer's disease yet, but research has shown that there are a lot of simple things you can do to improve brain function and reduce your risk of developing the disease. Start by eating healthier. A long-term study found that people who were obese in middle age were twice as likely to develop dementia in later life, while those with high cholesterol and high blood pressure had six times the risk. A diet low in fat and cholesterol, and high in antioxidants and folates (B-vitamins) can help reduce your risk.

Exercise also plays an important part in risk reduction. Participating in aerobic activities like walking and bicycling improves oxygen consumption, which in turn improves brain function and reduces brain cell loss. And don't forget to exercise your mind, too. Studies have shown that the more leisure time activities you engage in, the more you'll reduce your risk for Alzheimer's. Mentally challenging pursuits like reading, doing crossword puzzles and playing games like chess are especially beneficial.

If you haven't quit smoking, here's another good reason to do it now: smoking interferes with blood flow and oxygen to the brain, and research suggests that this puts you at an increased risk of developing dementia like Alzheimer's.

Finally, studies have shown a strong link between sustaining serious head injuries and developing Alzheimer's. So reduce your risk by always wearing your seat belt, wearing a helmet when riding a bike or rollerblading, and removing tripping hazards in your home that could cause a fall.

To learn more about Alzheimer's, please attend an educational session on

November 30 from Noon - 1 p.m.  
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# Lidstrom to serve as parade's grand marshal

## Celebrities, new route mark parade

America's Thanksgiving Parade is one of the country's oldest and to commemorate its 80th birthday, The Parade Company will have Detroit Red Wings Captain Nicklas Lidstrom as the parade's grand marshal and a star-studded list of Michiganders "Coming Home" for the parade.

The celebrities will ride on the floats, touching the hearts of millions, as the parade travels down Woodward Avenue along its new route on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, Nov. 23.

"Every November something magical happens on Woodward Avenue, a holiday tradition that dates back to 1924," said Deborah I. Dingell,

chair, Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation. "The celebration of America's Thanksgiving Parade has captured the imaginations of millions and we are thrilled that our 80th parade will feature some of Michigan's most notable individuals and a new route that will bring the parade to downtown Detroit."

Like America's Thanksgiving Parade, the Detroit Red Wings are celebrating 80 years. Lidstrom has played his entire professional career for the Detroit Red Wings and is a three-time Stanley Cup Champion (1997, 1998 and 2002) and four-time Norris Trophy Winner (NHL's best defenseman).

"I've been living in and playing for Detroit for 16 years,"

said Nicklas Lidstrom. "So, while Sweden is my first home, I'm also from Hockeytown. America's Thanksgiving Parade is a great family tradition and I'm honored to be serving as this year's grand marshal."

Cassie, a rhythm and blues singer, will perform one of her chart-topping songs live at the 17th Annual Hob Nobble Gobble fundraiser at the Michigan State Fairgrounds from 6 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22. Cassie will appear on the "Sounds of Detroit" float, sponsored by Clear Channel Radio, on Thanksgiving morning.

Additional celebrities scheduled to "Come Home" for the parade include:

◆ Andrew WK, pop/rock

singer and songwriter

◆ Angela Corsi, Miss Michigan 2006

◆ The Backyardigans

◆ My Bed Bugs

◆ Brandon T. Jackson, co-star of Roll Bounce

◆ The Contours featuring Sylvester Potts, one of Motown's legendary acts

◆ Geoff Stults, Ben Kinkirk on CW's "7th Heaven"

◆ George Stults, Kevin Kinkirk on CW's "7th Heaven"

◆ Hayley Eisenhardt, Miss Teen Michigan 2006

◆ Jonelle Thames, Miss Deaf Michigan

◆ Keith Famie, celebrity chief and contestant on "Survivor"

◆ KEM, Detroit-based singer, songwriter, musician and producer

◆ Latonya King, winner of the National Women's Golden Gloves Boxing Championship

◆ Lem Barney, NFL Hall of Famer and former Detroit Lion

◆ Mary Lynn Rajskub, Chloe O'Brien on Fox's hit series 24

◆ Naima Mora, winner of America's Next Top Model Cycle

◆ Santa Claus

◆ Yemaya Rose Sharp, Junior Miss Deaf Michigan

The 80th America's Thanksgiving Parade has a new route this year, modeled after the original parade route in 1924. The parade will step off at 9:20 a.m. in downtown Detroit and end at Woodward Avenue and Congress.

To celebrate the parade's birthday, 80,000 gifts filled with coupons from participat-

ing sponsors will be handed out along the route. Some of the gifts will contain "gold tickets" which are redeemable for prizes.

Other ways to get involved with America's Thanksgiving Parade and The Parade Company:

◆ Grandstand tickets — See the parade's superstars up close and personal from the comfort of the grandstand seats. To order grandstand tickets and reserved parking, visit [www.theparade.org](http://www.theparade.org) or call (313) 923-7400, extension 227.

◆ Hob Nobble Gobble — Cassie will be in town to perform one of her chart-topping songs live at the 17th Annual Hob Nobble Gobble presented by Comcast.

## FAMILY DAZE By Debbie Farmer

# Bowlers come in two types



I've come to believe that as far as bowling goes there are two different kinds of people in the world: those who make strikes and break 100 almost every game, and those who can barely hoist the ball down the lane without breaking their wrist in half or falling on their backside.

I'd like to say I'm in the first category.

I'd also like to say I look like Michelle Pfeiffer and wear a size 4. But we all know this is the real world here. So let me just say my competitive bowling goal is to do my "personal best," which simply means I need to bowl less lousy than I did before. Luckily, this isn't too hard for me to do.

Oh sure, the concept of bowling may seem simple enough to the gullible and naive. All you have to do is to aim a really, really heavy ball down a really, really narrow lane and knock down twelve

wily "pins," and all this while wearing exceptionally ugly shoes, ones that make bridesmaid shoes look chic.

OK, let's just stop right here a moment and talk about bowling shoes. I mean, what in the heck happened with them? No matter where you go, they always look like a cross between clown shoes and corrective orthopedic footwear. Perhaps it's because ugly shoes are crucial to successful bowling. Or maybe, it's because no one with a clear mind and any sort of fashion sense would steal them. Or maybe, just maybe it's all a big, fat accident by the inventor of bowling who happened to have a spare pair of hideously ugly shoes that he wanted to get rid of.

Regardless of the reason, you'd think that by now someone somewhere would've designed a more attractive style. Mind you, one that's more like a strappy sandal or something with a spiked heel, pointy toes, and, oh let's see, a few crystal beads.

Oh, all right. Back to the game.

On top of having unattractive accessories, the other problem with bowling is that if you want to win you have to

have some kind of "bowling strategy."

Yes, as shocking as it seems, there are clear-cut strategies to chucking a ball down a lane. First there's the straight ball, then the curve ball, and finally the hook ball (all pretty much self-explanatory). However, my personal favorite is what I like to call the blind luck ball, which is to hold the ball close to my eyes, wildly throw my arm back, give a little yell, and fling the ball in the general direction of the pins. While this may seem like a willy-nilly sort of a system to those of you more professional bowlers, with my strategy, sometimes even a pin or two gets knocked down. So there.

And, as if that weren't enough to worry about in bowling, there is the whole bowling lingo which is a completely different language altogether.

For instance there are words like "spare" and "brackets" and "turkey." That last one, mind you, isn't a Thanksgiving main course or what my kids call me when I bowl, but rather, it means three strikes in a row. Who would have thought?

At the bowling alley I say

things like:

Me: "Hi, how is your game going?"

Real Bowler: "The back ends were flying, but then halfway through the first game, I got a ton of carry down. I couldn't get the ball to the right of the brackets, so I blew my chance of getting a turkey."

Me: "Oh, that's nice. Say, what do you think about these shoes in a nice light mauve?"

So needless to say, most people love bowling with me since I'm what they call in certain circles "a sure thing." Oh, not in THAT way. I mean in the kind of way that makes everyone else look good.

I admit, I'm not sure exactly

why I'm so lousy at bowling.

It's not like I don't try. Some of

you might say it's because I'm

uncoordinated. Or that I'm

missing some kind of bowling

gene. And, hey, you're proba-

bly right.

But me, I blame the shoes.

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11:00 am Out of the Ordinary  
11:30 am Tech Points  
12:00 pm Economic Club of Detroit  
1:00 pm The SOC Show  
1:30 pm Great Lakes Log  
2:00 pm The John Prost Show  
2:30 pm The Legal Insider  
3:00 pm Things to do at the War Memorial  
3:30 pm Affordable Style  
4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)  
4:30 pm Young View Pointes  
5:00 pm Positively Positive  
5:30 pm The SOC Show  
6:00 pm The Legal Insider  
6:30 pm Who's in the Kitchen  
7:00 pm Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)  
7:30 pm Things to do at the War Memorial  
8:00 pm Positively Positive  
8:30 pm Tech Points  
9:00 pm Affordable Style  
9:30 pm Pointes of Horticulture  
10:00 pm The John Prost Show  
10:30 pm Great Lakes Log  
11:00 pm Out of the Ordinary  
11:30 pm Tech Points  
Midnight Economic Club of Detroit  
1:00 am The SOC Show  
1:30 am Great Lakes Log  
2:00 am The John Prost Show  
2:30 am Tech Points  
3:00 am Affordable Style  
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7:30 am Young View Pointes  
8:00 am Positively Positive

## Michigan Opera Theatre receives grant from Skillman

Michigan Opera Theatre is the recipient of a \$75,000 grant from The Skillman Foundation which will provide opportunities for disadvantaged youth to participate in opera, dance, music composition and writers workshops.

Michigan Opera Theatre is partnering with Franklin Wright Settlements to create a new program, Building Bridges Through Creativity for students 11 to 17.

Classes will be open to the community, at no cost, and take place after school at Franklin Wright Settlements' headquarters, 3360 Charlevoix. To register, students should visit the Franklin Wright Settlements' headquarters.

"Michigan Opera Theatre has always been strongly committed to making the arts accessible to the entire community. This program will help us to enrich the lives of countless young people who might not otherwise experience opera or dance," said David DiChiera, general director of Michigan Opera Theatre.

Opera and dance courses will be performance oriented, culminating in a final presentation of the class's work. Elements of opera will be taught by Karen VanderKloot DiChiera, director of Michigan Opera Theatre's Department of Community Programs, and students will present a final performance piece. Dance courses will be facilitated by

Karen Prall, professor of dance at Wayne State University and founder and artistic director of Art of Motion Dance Theatre. Music composition courses will be taught by both VanderKloot DiChiera and jazz composer and pianist James Tatum.

Writers workshops will be facilitated by a writer in residence at the InsideOut Literary Arts Project.

Students participating in the program can also attend opera and dance performances at the Detroit Opera House.

"I'm thrilled to be collaborating with Michigan Opera Theatre to provide our kids with a new learning experience," said Monique Marks, executive director of Franklin Wright Settlements.

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# A local author has a loyal youth following

By Debra Pascoe  
Special Writer

Local author Gloria Whelan has a vast following right in her hometown — including one young man who was mesmerized by her visit with two local book clubs. Whelan was invited to attend the joint meeting of two area mother/daughter book clubs by Laura Larson, who teamed her group comprised of ninth- and 10th-graders with another of middle school aged girls to host Whelan at the Provencal-Weir House late last month.

"Meeting Gloria Whelan and hearing her speak about her books was truly a highlight in our book club's history and bringing the two book clubs together was a memorable occasion," Larson said.

In preparation for Whelan's visit, Larson said she read as many of her books "that I could get my hands on" and even read aloud two of them, "Homeless Bird" and "Once on this Island" to her 9-year-old son, Nick Santrock.

"He was just enthralled. He loved the books," Larson said. "Even boys are enjoying her books."

Because of Santrock's interest, he was invited to join the ladies and meet Whelan.

Larson said her book club is drawn to Whelan's works because she chooses strong young women as her central characters.

"The girls have someone to identify with and they are important role models," she said. "When I was young, all you read about was fairy princesses and knights in shining armor who come to their rescue."

Larson said she started the club several years ago with her now 15-year-old daughter, Catherine Santrock, after spotting a how-to book on forming a mother/daughter book club.

"I felt this was a way I could keep that bond and that connection with my daughter through the middle school years when they want to separate from their moms," she said.

Happenstance led her to find the other mother/daughter book club comprised mostly of Monteith Elementary students and their moms.

"I had it in the back of my mind to do a joint club meeting," she said, adding Whelan's appearance was the perfect excuse.

Whelan brought along copies of two of her most recently published books, auto-



Two mother/daughter book clubs from the Grosse Pointe area merged to meet with special guest and local author Gloria Whelan, at right.

graphed them for the book club members and answered

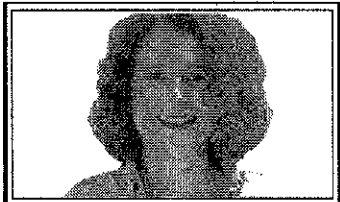
questions posed by members. Nick Santrock pleased his

mom when, on his own volition, he wrote a letter to

Whelan thanking her for the visit.

**A LA ANNIE** By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## 'Two' stuffed to eat



Every Thanksgiving gathering of 30 people or more (my family) deserves two types of stuffing to sample with the bird. I recently prepared the most delectable cornbread sausage stuffing ever, and plan it to be big competition for the sage bread stuffing that will sit beside it on the buffet line.

I've made many cornbread stuffings in the past, and I've finally realized the key is to start with fresh cornbread, rather than the dried stuff from a bag. I began by baking a cornbread made from either two boxes (Jiffy) or two bags (Betty Crocker) of cornbread mix. By the time the cornbread had cooled, I was ready to crumble it and add it to the stuffing. The cornbread yielded six cups of fresh crumbles.

### Cornbread & Sausage Stuffing

**1/2 lb. butter**  
**3 medium yellow onions, peeled and finely chopped**  
**1/2 celery head, trimmed and finely chopped**  
**1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh rosemary**  
**Salt and pepper to taste**

**1 lb. bulk pork sausage**  
**6 cups crumbled cornbread**  
**1 cup chopped fresh parsley**  
**1/4 cup Madeira wine**  
Melt the butter in a large heavy-bottomed skillet over medium-low heat.

Add the onions and cook and stir for 20 minutes, until the onions are very soft but not browned. Add the celery and the rosemary and generously season with salt and pepper. Cook for another 5 minutes or so. Transfer mixture to a large mixing bowl and set aside.

In the same skillet cook the sausage over medium heat, breaking it up as it cooks, just until browned, about 10 minutes. Add the cooked sausage to the celery mixture along with the cornbread, parsley and Madeira. Toss well. Taste and season with additional salt and pepper if needed.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Transfer stuffing to a greased baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes, until heated throughout and golden on top. Deeper baking dishes will require a longer cook time.

Make this flavorful stuffing the day before Thanksgiving and store, tightly covered, in the refrigerator. Remove from refrigerator 1 hour before baking.

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# Hilarity and splendid singing at MOT's 'Barber'

By Dina Winter  
Guest Writer

In the Michigan Opera Theatre's production of the "Barber of Seville," by Gioacchino Rossini, there is so much going on that one is in danger of hardly noticing the singing. It was a "Barber" unlike any seen or likely to ever see again.

The opera begins with Count Almaviva (Yasu Nakajima), wealthy and good-looking nobleman, serenading, without apparent effect, Rosina, the lady he wants to win.

Enter Figaro (Dalibor Jénis), who brought down the house with his famous aria "Largo al Factotum" (Make way for the Factotum of the Town). He puts his many capacities, not the least of which are those of matchmaker.

Figaro explains that Rosina's guardian is an old man, Dr. Bartolo, who plans to marry her and is suspicious of anyone who might interfere. Figaro, as barber, medicinal counselor, hairdresser, legal adviser and veterinarian of the household, could, with appropriate financial consideration, win Rosina for the Count. The Count agrees, stipulating that he must pose as a poor student, able to offer only love and loyalty to Rosina.

As the second act curtain opens, we are confronted with a surprise: We find Rosina (Manuela Custer) in her bubble bath, surrounded by five very

properly dressed chamber maids, playfully blowing bubbles, as Rosina, in "Una voce poco fa" (a voice I heard a little while ago) pirouettes through some of the most difficult acrobatic vocalises in operatic literature.

What captured the audience's attention was the long, white drape with which the maids protected Rosina's body from the public gaze as she emerged from her bath. Would it fall? Some were frightened. Others were hopeful. As the climax of the aria approached, she emerged quite simply dressed and delivered a resounding and beautiful top note.

Now comes another change; this one is decidedly questionable. In a duet between Figaro and Rosina, Figaro asks Rosina to write a letter of encouragement to her other suitor, which she at first demurely refuses to do.

"I wouldn't know...I'm embarrassed," she said. She then removes from her robe and places Figaro's hand deep within her breast whence he draws out a note she has already written. This together with other sexual innuendoes which follow, was a disturbing "new twist" to the opera and damaged the credibility of the plot. Rosina is a young, very clever rascal. But she is not a slut. This one went too far for good taste.

The last act on the other hand, was filled with new tricks which enhanced the liveliness

and humor of the performance. These included a few crazy additions like a medical team, a coffin and the police brigade crawling into the house with guns.

Dr. Bartolo (Jason Budd), as Rosina's guardian, was convincing as the clever fool who sees what's going on but has no way to control events, or of matching the wiles of his rascally ward.

Jamie Offenbach, as Don Basilio, the mercenary and somewhat disreputable music master, did a great job of his Calunnia (scandal) aria and of his part as a whole.

Nakajima, the first cast Count, started off somewhat weak but got stronger as the opera progressed. He did his best singing and acting in the third act. Alfelynn Roberts, as Berta, head maid of the house, did a fine job in her part.

John Fulton, who sang both Fiorello and the sergeant, had a nice voice but did not seem well cast for these particular roles.

Stage director, Mario Corradi, has extraordinary, but sometimes questionable ideas. The action was often too busy and this sometimes kept singers (including the able chorus of mean) from being able to synchronize their complex music with the orchestra.

Of the second cast singers on Sunday, Jossie Perez, the lovely Rosina, has a significant voice and presence. Gianpiero Ruggeri was a good-looking and good-sounding Figaro and

Victor Ryan Robertson sang the Count with a voice of particular sweetness and beauty. He was fluid in his coloratura and outstanding in the role from beginning to end.

Conductor Edoardo Muller gave lively and masterful renditions of the score with both casts.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, and

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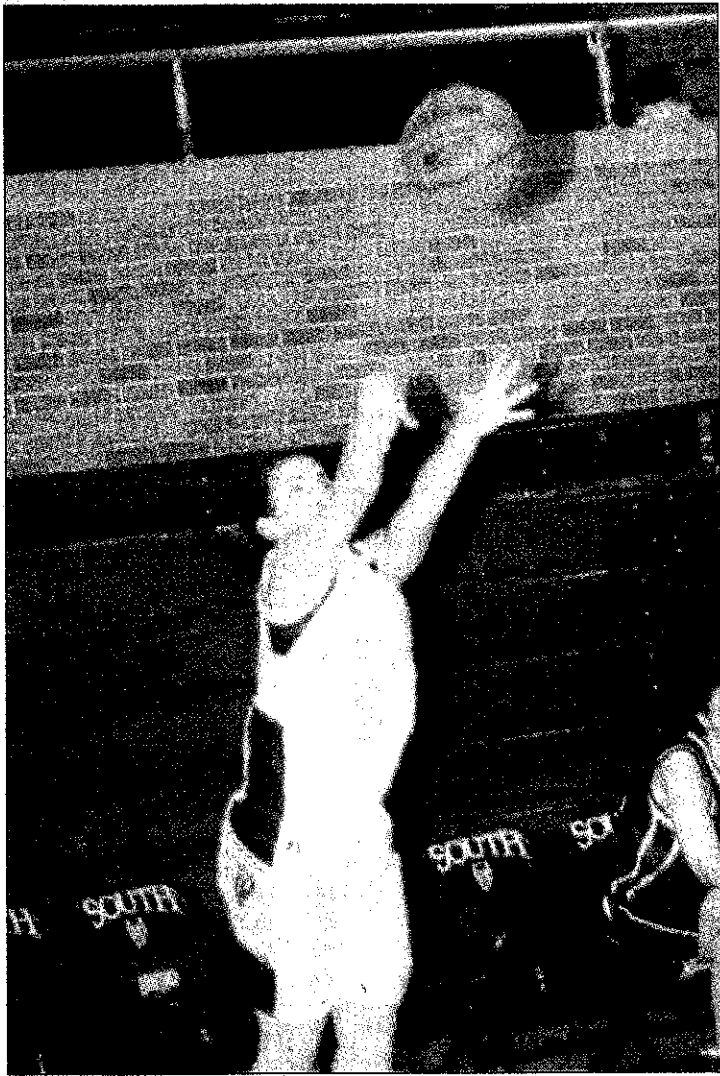
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Three South seniors make Division I soccer teams PAGE 3C

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GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

# North, South start with wins



Emma Tocco hit two clutch three-point baskets in Grosse Pointe South's victory against Detroit Southeastern in the opening game of the Class A district tournament at North.

## Blue Devils beat PSL playoff team; Norsemen overpower winless Finney squad in Class A district tournament

By Chuck Klonke  
*Sports Editor*

Grosse Pointe South's Emma Tocco wanted to keep her uncle on the job for at least a couple more days.

Tocco hit two important three-point baskets in the fourth quarter and Megan DeBoer made seven free throws in the final 26.6 seconds to hold off Detroit Southeastern, 41-31, in the opening game of the Class A girls basketball district at Grosse Pointe North.

In the other first-round game, North rolled past Detroit Finney 74-17.

The win over the Jungaleers ended a 14-game losing streak for South and sent the Blue Devils into Wednesday's district semifinal game against Detroit Denby.

"Those were some big shots," said South coach Vito Tocco, who has said that he will not return as head coach of the Blue Devils next season.

Tocco had planned on assisting Brandon Slone this season, but agreed to take the head job when Slone became athletic di-

rector at South.

"It's going to take a huge commitment of time to bring this program back, and I don't feel that I can make that commitment," Tocco said.

South led throughout the game. The Blue Devils had an 8-4 lead after the first quarter and stretched the advantage to 16-9 at halftime.

South led 23-13 with just under three minutes remaining in the third quarter but a 9-0 run by Southeastern, capped by Sade Campbell's three-point basket, closed the gap to 23-22. A pair of free throws by Eleni Papalekas sent the Blue Devils into the fourth quarter with a 25-22 lead.

A layup by Southeastern's Keyandra Linebarger made it 28-26 with 3:48 remaining. On South's next possession, Tocco got the ball on the right side of the court and sank the first of her three-pointers to boost the Blue Devils' lead back to five points.

A free throw by Jakaysha Neal and a basket by Denise Bradford cut South's margin to 31-29 with 2:36 left. Moments later, Tocco lined up from the same spot on the right side of the court and drilled another triple to restore the Blue Devils' five-point advantage.

Neither team was able to score for nearly two minutes. Kara Trowell made a key steal for South and DeBoer had a rebound after a missed shot by the Jungaleers.

DeBoer was intentionally fouled with 26.6 seconds left and she made the first of two free throws to give the Blue Devils a 35-29 lead. South got the ball out of bounds and DeBoer was fouled immediately. This time she hit both free throws to give South an eight-point advantage.

Southeastern was forced to foul, but South got the ball into the hands of DeBoer, who sank four in a row in the last 15.8 seconds.

"Tonight we did what we had to do to win," said Vito Tocco. "I told the girls before the game that we could win, but we had to outscrap Southeastern."

"We had a few turnovers that let them back into the game, but when we called a timeout in the fourth quarter, I reminded the girls, 'don't let them outscrap us.' And we didn't."

While the performances of Tocco and DeBoer stood out down the stretch, South had contributions from several players.

"We've been juggling our personnel all year," Vito Tocco said. "All the kids that played gave us something. Clare Conway came off the bench and gave us some good ball-handing when it looked like things were starting to unravel. The same with Kelly Barry. Kate Muelle gave us some important minutes, and she's doing it on basically half a leg."

DeBoer and Papalekas led South with 12 points apiece. Papalekas also had 12 rebounds.

Trowell finished with five rebounds and five steals.

Before the game, Vito Tocco had talked about South's difficult schedule this season. In addition to playing in the tough Macomb Area Conference White Division, the Blue Devils had crossover games against the two best teams in the MAC Red (North and Fraser), the

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# North perfect in MAC Red

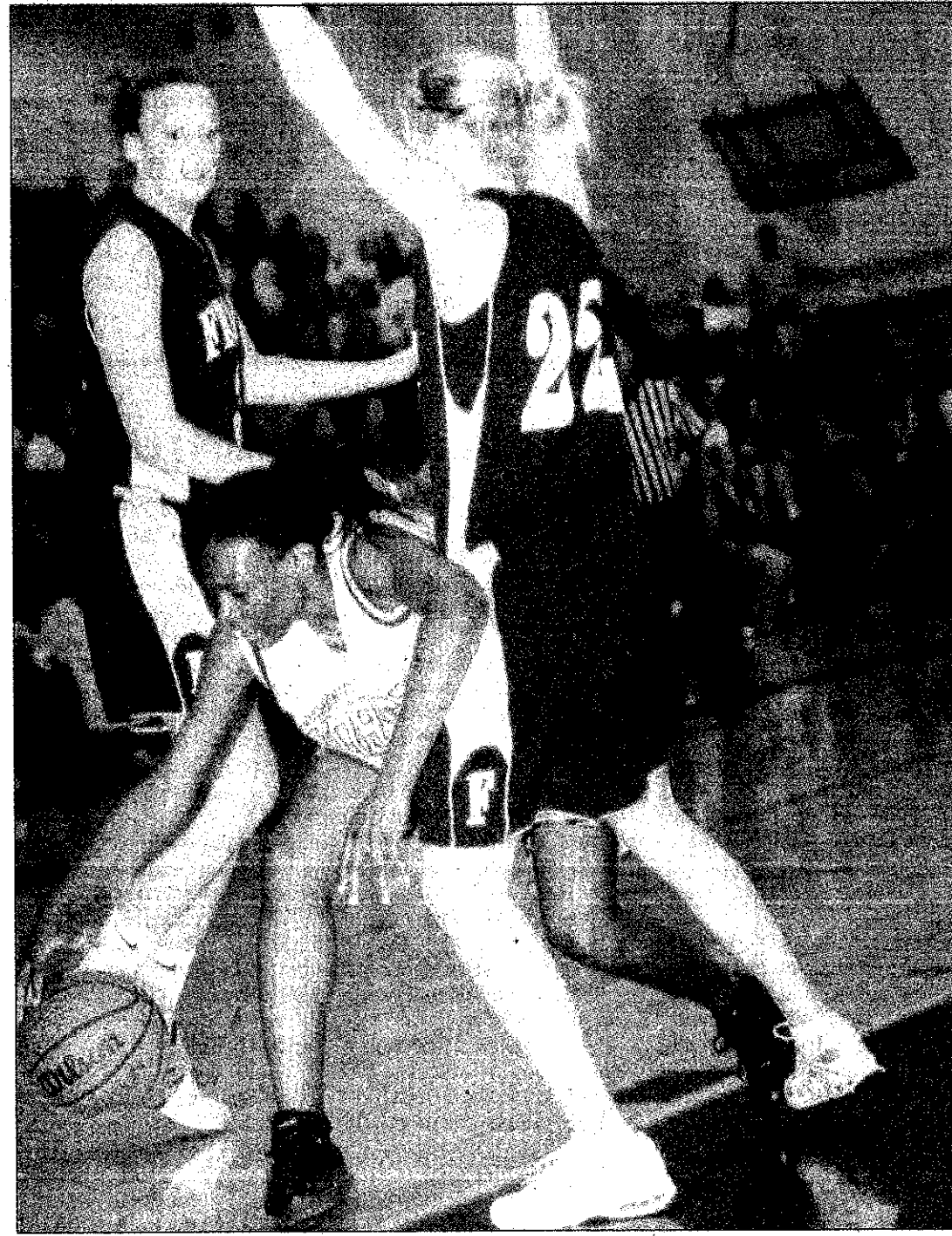
By Chuck Klonke  
*Sports Editor*

It was the perfect ending to a perfect season for Grosse Pointe North's basketball team.

"It was a good week," said coach Gary Bennett after the Norsemen wrapped up a perfect record in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division with victories against Fraser and Utica.

"We really dug in on defense in the fourth quarter against Fraser. The Utica game was probably our best all-around game. We played very well as a unit in that game."

Unlike last season, when North struggled some at the end of the year and lost to Detroit Denby in the district fi-



Grosse Pointe North's Jasmine Kennedy slides between Fraser's Tania Schatow, left, and Brittany McGinnis during the Norsemen's victory over the second-place Ramblers in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division showdown.

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### The Babies of 2006

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The Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Breakers '93A team won its under-14 division in the Michigan Premier league. In front, from left, are Maggie Clevenger, Sarah Ventimiglia, Kylie Huitsing, Katie Lanza, Kylie Barrett and Shelby Stone. In back, from left, are coach J.P. Laurenceau, Chloe Jacob, Carrie Condino, Lilly Arsenault, Natalie Sohn, Kelsey Jones, Nora Beierwaltes, Joanna Manos, Ellie Farber, Emily Flom, Nancy Blake and Bridget McDevitt.

# Tie means a title for Breakers '93A

A tie was as good as a win for the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association Breakers '93A team.

A scoreless tie with the Troy TSC Wildcats gave the Breakers the championship in their under-14 division of the Michigan Premier league.

The Breakers finished 7-0-1 in the conference while the Wildcats posted a 6-0-2 mark.

On the final day of the sea-

son, the championship came down to a battle between the undefeated Breakers and Wildcats.

The teams tested each other early, but the footing quickly degenerated in the mud, and the scoring opportunities disappeared.

The Breakers' defense allowed only two quality scoring chances and both of them were covered by goalkeeper

Joanna Manos.

The Breakers had several chances, especially off of set pieces from Sarah Ventimiglia, but were unable to capitalize on them.

It was a wild and often physical game with plenty of slipping and sliding. There were no goals, but lots of dirty uniforms.

The tie was as good as a win for the Breakers, who won the

division by a two-point margin.

The Breakers also played in the Troy Invitational and the Michigan State Cup tournaments and had an overall record of 9-3-2.

The Breakers outscored their opponents 27-11 but allowed only three goals in conference play.

J.P. Laurenceau is the coach. He is assisted by Jim Farber.

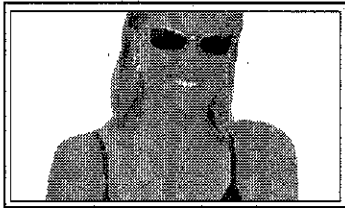


# CYO champs

The St. Paul fifth- and sixth-grade girls soccer team won its CYO division championship with a 7-0-1 record. A combination of talented athletes, teamwork and winning spirit were the keys to the squad's success. In front, from left, are Hannah Meier, Bridgette Champagne, Margaret Reaume, Haley Meier and Maggie Blake. In back, from left, are Jaclyn Notarberardino, Catherine Yaldao, Gabby DeLoof, Ellie Parks, Marijane Brennan, Marie Monark, Jeannie Boynton, Jaclyn Rastelli, Dana Kornmeier and Marina Bergamo. Not pictured is Maria VanBerkum and coaches John Meier and Amy Hathaway.

ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

# A good match for Scheibner



Sailors are a pretty competitive group with pretty big egos, in case you hadn't noticed.

So I applaud former Pointer Angela Scheibner for candidly discussing her first match-racing regatta with On Sail. She ended up seventh of nine competitors, but improved throughout the event, meeting her team's goal of continuous improvement.

"It was incredible. I'm definitely hooked," Scheibner said.

Scheibner, formerly of Grosse Pointe and now living in North Carolina, earned a bid to the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championships held in Newport Harbor, Calif. last week. Sailing with sisters Ellen and Lauren Padilla, both formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, and Kris Zillman, who lives in Connecticut, the team took on some of the country's best female match racers.

They won two races in the first round robin and were eighth after the first couple days. But they won two more in the (partial) second round robin to improve to seventh overall. Along the way they enjoyed some tight competition and learned a lot about match racing rules and strategies through the daily debriefings with umpires.

"Our boat speed was competitive and we jumped right in on the pre-starts ready to engage. We were not intimidated by our new surroundings," Scheibner said.

Match racing is an aggressive form of sailing. Just two boats race at a time -- meaning if you finish second, you lose. Umpires chase the competitors in power boats and make on-the-water rulings about penalties. If you break a rule, you have to do a penalty turn before finishing.

"I learned quickly that match racing requires enhanced communication skills and sail-handling ability," Scheibner said. "I think that as a helmsman, if you can communicate with your crewing using 'umpire speak' then your moves will be both better-timed and more readily executed."

Scheibner isn't used to losing. As a junior sailor on Lake St. Clair, she was arguably one of the nation's top skippers. She competed for Hobart-William Smith College before heading to law school in New York. Last summer, she came home for the Lands' End Detroit NOOD regatta and fin-

ished second in the Ultimate 20 class (beating me!).

But match racing takes some different sailing skills, though they seem to run in Scheibner's family. Her father, Doug, won his share of match racing events in the 1980s, including the Great Lakes Match Racing Championship, the Richardson Cup.

Like any father, he had plenty of advice for his daughter before last week's championship. "We actually called him," Angela said, "and had a cross-country chalk talk where he gave us great advice and helped prepare us both tactically and technically."

The U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship will be at Bayview Yacht Club next year.

"I definitely want to compete," Scheibner said.

The event is one of a series of championships hosted by the U.S. Sailing association and member clubs. Many of those will be planned this weekend at the group's Annual General Meeting in Newport, Rhode Island.

Several local judges and race administrators will be attending.

"The meeting is where a lot of ideas are discussed and decisions made about sailing," U.S. Sailing President Janet Baxter told On Sail. "There will be announcements about where and when future events will be held and what rules apply."

Also on this year's agenda is a panel discussion with participants of the Volvo Ocean Race who will share lessons learned. In the business part of the meeting, a new board will be elected, new committee and council chairs will be approved and financial results will be reviewed, Baxter said.

Ted Everingham, host of the local television program Great Lakes Log, attended the U.S. Sailing meeting for 20 years as the secretary and chair of the judges committee and the secretary and vice president of U.S. Sailing.

He told On Sail that local sailors should be more involved with the governing group.

"Recent changes to the U.S. Sailing governance structure have given local sailors a dramatically greater voice in the organization and, accordingly, more influence over the sport," he said.

For example, this is the first time since the organization's founding that individual members have a direct vote in electing officers.

Hmmmm. I need to get to [www.ussailing.org](http://www.ussailing.org) and vote!

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# Lack of attack hurt South

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

While sitting out the regular-season finale to nurse a sprained ankle, Grosse Pointe South senior guard Kara Trowell made an astute observation that summed up the Blue Devils' problems in winning basketball games this season.

"After the Mount Clemens game (a 48-43 defeat), Kara said, 'they attacked the basket a lot more than we did,'" said coach Vito Tocco.

"She's right. When you attack the basket, you have a tendency to draw fouls."

That's something South didn't do against the Bathursts, who shared the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division title with Warren Woods-Tower.

"Mount Clemens outscored us by 17 points at the free throw line," Tocco said. "That was the difference in the game. They were more aggressive and they drew fouls."

The MAC crossover game was close throughout.

The first quarter ended in a 10-10 tie.

South led 26-25 at halftime and Mount Clemens had a 38-37 advantage after three quarters.

Shooting woes have plagued the Blue Devils all season and the fourth quarter of the Mount Clemens game was no exception.

South made only one of 15 shots in the final period and that was a three-point basket with three seconds left in the game.

"We missed shots from everywhere on the floor," Tocco said. "It was disappointing because we felt this was a winnable game."

Eleni Papalekas led South with 11 points and six rebounds. Emma Tocco and Kate Graham added seven points apiece.

Earlier, South closed out the Macomb Area Conference White Division season with a 69-42 loss to Dakota.

A cold start doomed the Blue Devils. South made only three of 13 shots from the field

in the first quarter and six of 23 in the second to fall behind 35-20 at halftime.

"It's not that we're taking bad shots," Vito Tocco said. "Even our perimeter shots we have a good look at the basket. We're just not making them."

In the meantime, the opponents are. Dakota hit three three-point baskets in the first quarter, while South had only one.

"That puts us in a hole early, and we don't score enough to get out of it," Tocco said.

The play of sophomore post Kate Pangori was the bright spot in the Dakota game. She finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds, including seven offensive boards.

"Kate worked hard," Tocco said. "She really battled under the basket."

Pangori was the only Blue Devils player to score in double figures.

The Cougars hurt South inside with Erica Grzybowski scoring 15 points, including

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# Motown Cup champs

The Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Mite AA Bulldogs beat the Oakville Rangers 2-1 in overtime to win the Motown Cup tournament in Southgate. Oakville took a 1-0 lead in the second period but the Bulldogs tied the game late in the third period and won it at the 1:46 mark of overtime. Earlier, the Bulldogs beat the Port Huron Flags 5-2; defeated Oakville 5-1; and beat the St. Clair Shores Saints 10-1. Bulldogs players are Mac Bellovich, Griffin Brooks, Mac Cimmarrusti, Nicholas Dicresce, Spero Kefalonitis, Stephen Kent, Henry Moesta, J.P. Navetta, Adrian Quinlan, C.J. Ramsdell, Luke Taber, Max Taber, Andrew Tomasi, Mac Welsher, Josh Wilk and Harrison Wujek. Each player contributed to a strong team effort. The Bulldogs are coached by Rick Kent, Mark Brooks, Nick Dicresce, Allen Taber and Paul Wilk.



# South has three All-Staters

Grosse Pointe South's soccer team was rewarded for its impressive run in the state tournament by having three players named to the Division I All-State teams selected by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

Center midfielder Matt Faiver was named to the second team.

Goalkeeper Greg Carmody made the third team and center midfielder Spencer MacGriff received honorable mention.

Faiver is a senior and two-year starter for the Blue Devils. He led South in scoring with 16

goals and six assists.

His skill with the ball made him the focus of numerous double teams, but he still made the big play for the Blue Devils, scoring seven game-winning goals.

Faiver was named the "offensive sparkplug" of the team.

Carmody is a senior captain and a two-year starter in goal for South.

He played 22 games, recorded nine shutouts and made 118 saves while allowing only 22 goals — a save percentage of 85.

Carmody is the first to credit his defense for his impressive

statistics, acknowledging that a keeper's success is because of the defensive front limiting the good scoring opportunities and working together to coordinate the defensive effort.

MacGriff is a senior captain and a four-year varsity starter. He scored nine goals and had seven assists this season. He was named South's most valuable player.

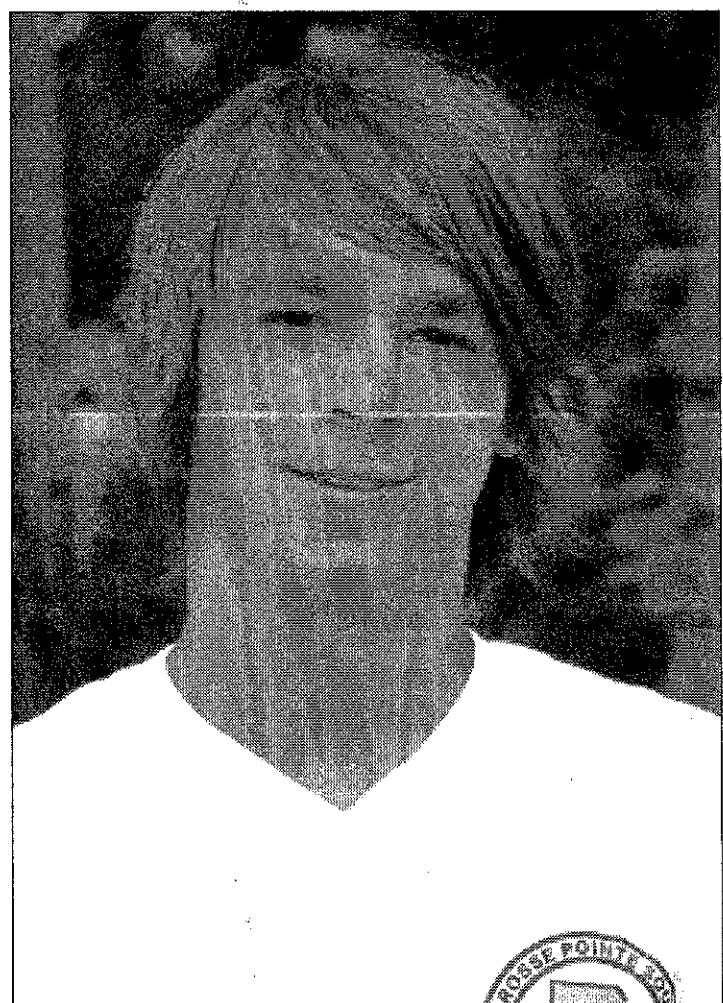
MacGriff not only brought skill and impressive numbers, but intangibles like leadership, effort, focus and determination every time he stepped on the field.

Senior defender Matt

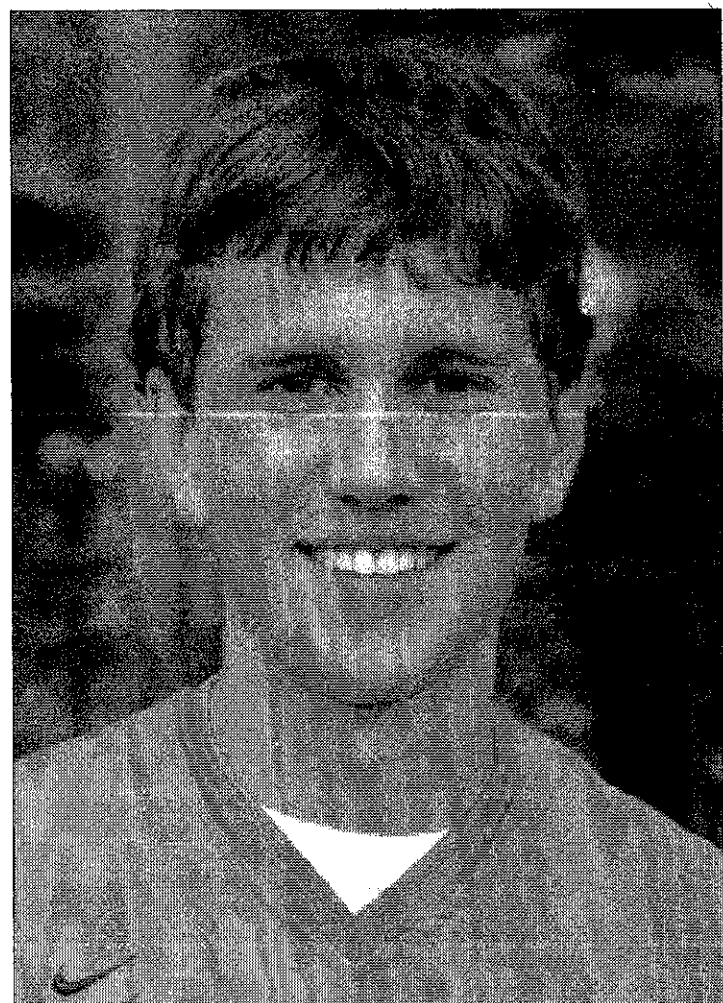
Dziuba and sophomore defender Mike Cunningham joined Carmody, MacGriff and Faiver on the Macomb Area Conference all-White Division team.

South finished first in the MAC White.

All-district honors were earned by Carmody, MacGriff, Faiver, Dziuba, Cunningham, senior defenders Grant Withers and Stefan Pfahler, senior midfielder Jake Mandel, senior striker Brad Jensen, junior midfielder Patrick Rubens, junior striker Evan Hall and sophomore striker Austen Brooks.



Matt Faiver



Greg Carmody

## North swimmers set two pool marks

Grosse Pointe North's Jenny Rusch won the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races, setting a pool record in the 50, to highlight the Norsemen's performance at the L'Anse Creuse North Invitational swim meet.

Rusch achieved state Division I qualifying times in both events.

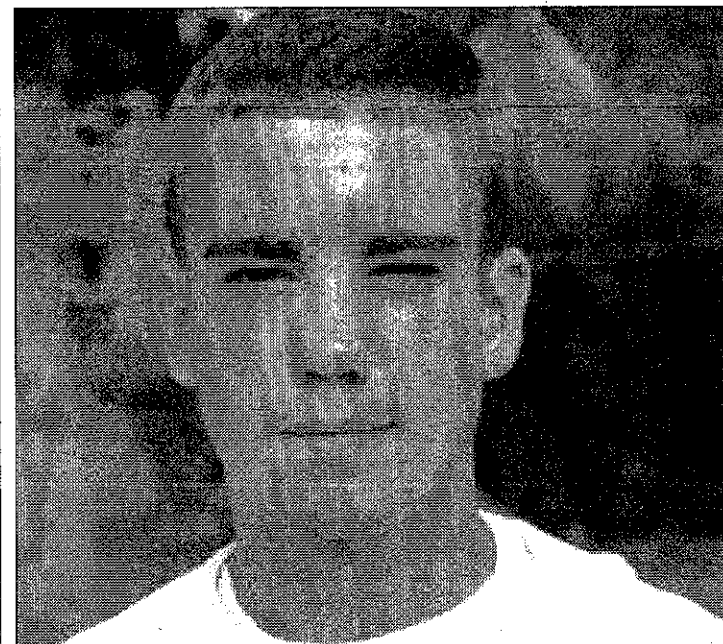
Molly DeWald won the 100 breaststroke with a Division I qualifying time, which was also a season-best for the North

freshman.

North's 400 freestyle relay team of Rusch, Caitlin Mathews, Maresa Leto and Jackie Shea took first place, set a pool record, and made a state cut.

The Norsemen's 200 medley relay team of Juliana Schmidt, DeWald, Mathews and Shea won the event and missed a state qualifying time by .41.

Leto had a season-best time in the 100 freestyle.



Spencer MacGriff



## State qualifiers

Six Grosse Pointe North swimmers will compete in this weekend's state Division I swimming and diving championships at Oakland University. In front are Caitlin Mathews, left, and Jenny Rusch. Maresa Leto is in the middle. In back, from left, are captain Juliana Schmidt, Jackie Shea and Molly DeWald.

## South graduates win for Albion

A pair of Grosse Pointe South grads combined for four first places for Albion College's men's swimming and diving team in its 162-55 victory against Alma.

Eric Gunderson won the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races in 22.72 and 50.26 seconds.

Ty Lattimore won the one-meter diving with a score of 244.50 and had a winning score of 245.95 off the three-meter board.

Adding depth for the Britons was former Grosse Pointe North swimmer Chris Blunden with seconds in the sprint freestyle races.

Earlier, Lattimore won both diving boards in a 176-118 loss to Kalamazoo College.

Gunderson was second in the 50 freestyle.

## SOUTH: Finishes 4-16 overall

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nine free throws.

Dakota guard Shantelle Herring had a triple double with 13 points, 10 rebounds and 10 steals.

South finished the regular season winless in the MAC White and 4-16 overall.



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Christine Klein, center, had a strong performance in North's victory against Fraser.

## NORTH: Defeats Utica in league final

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the two games against their closest competition in the MAC Red. The Ramblers' only defeats in league play were against North.

Fraser got off to a good start and held a 19-10 lead early in the second quarter, but North finished the first half on an 11-2 run to pull into a 21-21 half-time tie.

"We made it more difficult for them to score after they got that early lead," Bennett said. "When we tied the game at halftime, we could be positive when we went to the locker room. The last memory for the girls was the strong finish."

Becka McHenry kept Fraser close early in the second half and late in the third quarter the teams were still deadlocked at 31-all, but North, sparked by a steal and layup by Olivia Stander, went on an 8-0 surge.

The Norsemen never trailed again, although it was still a three-point game with about two minutes to play.

North's free-throw shooting was a factor as the Norsemen made 20 of 28 from the line, including a 10-for-10 performance from Ariel Braker.

"And she tells me she's not a good free throw shooter," Bennett said with a laugh.

Braker, a freshman post player, finished with 14 points, nine rebounds, four steals and four assists in another fine all-around performance.

She also contributed on the

defensive end, along with Christine Klein and Jasmine Kennedy, as North held the Ramblers' post players to a combined 10 points. Kennedy, Klein and Braker combined for 29.

Klein finished with nine points, six rebounds and two steals, while Kennedy had six points and eight rebounds.

"That was the best Christine has played in a big game," Bennett said. "I really liked her effort. Jasmine had a real nice game, too."

Stander had nine points and three steals, while Kelly DeFauw collected seven points, two steals and two assists.

"Kelly has played really well this season, but she's done a lot of things that people don't notice," Bennett said. "In 12 (MAC Red) games she committed only 10 turnovers. That's really impressive for somebody who handles the ball as often as she does. But people don't go home talking about how few turnovers somebody made."

North closed out the MAC Red season with a 73-34 victory against Utica.

It was a season-high in scoring for the Norsemen, who had nine of the 10 players who got into the game break into the scoring column.

Kennedy had one of her best performances of the season with 22 points, nine rebounds and four steals. She went 6-for-6 from the free-throw line.

Braker collected 11 points, eight rebounds, five steals and three assists. Kayla Womack scored nine points and DeFauw and Stander added eight apiece.

North finished 12-0 in the

## DISTRICT: North hits first six shots

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Red (North and Fraser), the two co-champions in the MAC Blue (Mount Clemens and Warren Woods-Tower) and the co-champion of the MAC Gold (Lakeview).

That grueling schedule paid off against Southeastern, which made the Detroit Public School League playoffs.

North's victory against winless Finney showed the disparity that often occurs at the district level of the state tournament.

The Norsemen came into the game with a 19-1 record and a ranking in the top 10 of every Class A state poll, and they quickly established their superiority.

North made its first six shots from the field and had scored 17 points before the Highlanders scored their first basket.

The Norsemen led 29-6 after the first quarter and 41-8 at halftime. It might have been even worse if there hadn't been a running clock for most of the second half after North's lead reached 40 points.

"I hate games like this," said North coach Gary Bennett. "First of all, you're embarrassed to beat somebody that bad. Then you're upset because you can't do the things you want to do."

Bennett likes to play pressure defense, but he had his players sit back defensively so that the score didn't get more lopsided than it was.

"A game like this doesn't help anybody," Bennett said.

All 10 North players scored. Jasmine Kennedy and Olivia Stander led the way with 14 apiece and Kayla Womack had 12. Maddie Kent, Christine Klein and Ariel Braker each added seven points.

Kennedy had a team-high 10 rebounds, while Braker had seven and Kent six.

Kelly DeFauw, Braker and Womack had four assists apiece and Kennedy had four steals.



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**Real Estate**  
Friday, 3pm November 17

**General Classifieds**  
Monday, Noon, November 20

## 700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS

**1** bedroom condo-Grosse Pointe City. \$750, includes appliances, most utilities. (313)331-1926

**1** bedroom lower level apartment. Great Park location \$375 heat included. (313)580-5498

**1035** Maryland- 3 bedroom, 1 bath, basement, 1 car garage. New tile bathroom/ kitchen floor. New paint, carpet. Available December 1st. (630)230-0474

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**1312** Maryland, 3 bedroom upper with 3 car garage, separate basement. \$750/ month. (810)343-0320

**1378** Somerset, 3 bedroom lower, fireplace, parking, \$850/ month. (313)885-8843, (313)300-8373

**1381** Somerset, upper, no pets, non-smoking. 3 bedrooms, good condition. (313)821-8402

**1405** Somerset, 2 bedroom, garage, central air. (313)640-8099

**1408** Lakepointe. 2 bedroom upper with office, beautifully restored, new woodwork, kitchen, bath, all appliances, garage \$700. Absolutely no pets! (313)343-0149

**1ST** month free with security deposit! Harcourt/ upper two bedrooms, air, clean, No pets. \$900/ month. 313-530-9566

**1ST** month free! 870 Nottingham, lower 2 bedrooms, hardwood floors, appliances, \$625. (586)212-0759

**2** bedroom Farms upper flat, near Cottage Hospital, \$675 includes heat. No pets. 313-640-1788 Southeastern Management, LLC

## 700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS

**2** bedroom plus sunroom; upper flat. Maryland, near Kercheval. New paint & carpet. \$715/ month (313)600-9921.

**2** bedroom townhouse near Village. \$750/ month. Clear credit required. (313)884-6400 ext. 110

**2** bedroom, 1 bath; 500 sq. ft. Basement, private washer/ dryer, off street parking. Hardwood, all appliances. \$650/ month. (313)333-1258

**2** bedroom, 1st floor, 4-plex, great neighborhood, close to schools, \$625/ month. (586)781-9499

**299** Rivard. Charming 2 bedroom lower, all appliances, central air, \$1,100. (313)881-2593

**868** Nottingham- 2 bedroom apartment. \$575, plus utilities. (586)739-7283

**872** Beaconsfield, south/ Jefferson. Remodeled 2 bedroom lower. Available now! \$525. (586)772-0041

**876** Trombley, 3 bedroom lower, 2 baths, natural fireplace, newly decorated. Garage. Separate basement. No pets. \$1,200/ month plus security deposit. (313)882-3965

**879** Beaconsfield, 5 rooms, newly decorated, off street parking, quiet building, no pets, \$650/ month. (313)331-3559

**915** Neff- 2 bedroom upper & lower, carport garage, storage room, central heating & cooling, nice. Everything excellent condition! \$750/ security deposit. (313)881-2806

**926** Nottingham- 2 bedroom lower, all appliances, off-street parking, \$750/ month plus security. 313-823-5852

**BEACONSFIELD-** 2 bedroom lower, appliances, parking. \$650. No pets. (313)885-0470

## 700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS

**AWESOME** 2 bedroom upper, 3 houses from Lakeshore, 357 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe City. \$850 per month. (313)885-5725

**BEACONSFIELD,** South of Jefferson. 2 bedroom apartment, super clean, updated, \$595. (313)510-0134

**CLEAN,** quiet 2 bedroom lower, near Village, with basement, attached garage. \$795. (586)725-4807

**EXCELLENT** 2 bedroom lower, 1445 Lakepointe- living room, dining room, updated bath & kitchen with dishwasher, newly painted & carpeted, garage with remote & sensor lights. Washer & dryer, basement. Large backyard. No pets. \$675. (313)885-9468

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**GROSSE** Pointe Park (Mack/ Maryland)- 1 & 2 bedroom apartments for rent. Included 1 car garage and hot water. 1 bedroom, \$485/ month, 2 bedroom, \$645/ month, 1 bedroom \$550/ month. Call 313-418-4600 or after 3:30pm. (313)220-7910

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## 700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS

**GROSSE** Pointe Park, Beaconsfield, south of Jefferson. Quiet location. Neat one-bedroom flat, hardwood floors, some carpeting. Basement laundry, off-street parking. \$525/ month, heat included, security deposit. No smoking, no pets. (313)886-4820

**HARCOURT** duplex, Grosse Pointe Park, private driveway. 586-945-1092

**HARCOURT-** Grosse Pointe Park- Attractive 2 bedroom lower. References required. \$850. 313-530-1194

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**NOTTINGHAM,** clean 2 bedroom upper with private laundry. \$595. (586)725-4807

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## 701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY

**1, 2, and 3** bedroom apartments. Close to Grosse Pointe. Excellent condition. \$350- \$750. Security deposit required. Section 8 ok. 313-300-1938

**17126** Sioux, 3 bedroom duplex on quiet dead end street. Section 8 welcome. 313-530-1313

**19006** Moross, 2 bedroom brick duplex, stove, refrigerator, new windows, garage, basement, \$635/ month, \$977.50 security, move in cost \$1,612.50. Open Saturday, 12-2pm. Tenant pays water, gas & electric.

**4193** Bedford, nice large lower flat, 2 bedroom, plus den, separate basement, fireplace. \$675 plus security. Craig, 313-499-0003

## 701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY

**4417** Haverhill- Spacious, 1 bedroom upper, between Mack & East Warren. Heat included. \$550. Shown by appointment. Jim Saros Agency, (313)886-9030

**5275** Gateshead- upper flat, 2 bedroom, great neighborhood, \$575/ (313)300-7489

**CADIEUX/** Mack, Whittier, Morang, 1-2 bedrooms, laundry, utilities, \$400- \$650 (313)882-4132.

**DUPLEX** Detroit, eastside, near 194/ Moross. Clean 2 bedroom, credit check & security deposit required. Rent \$600/ monthly. No pets. 313-510-3393

**EAST** English Village, 2 bedroom upper, heat included, \$750. No Whitmore, near Woodward. (313)897-5656

## 701 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY

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**702 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX  
S.C.S./MACOMB COUNTY**

**ST.** Clair Shores studio and 1 bedroom apartments available. Heat and water included. New paint, carpet, Bob, 313-670-3461

**ST.** Clair Shores, 1 bedroom upper condo. Heat, water included. Covered parking. \$675/month. Call Alex, 313-268-2000

**ST.** Clair Shores, Jefferson/ 10 1/2 mile, 1 bedroom apartment, heat, water included, special \$520. (248)435-5100

**703 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX  
WANTED TO RENT**

**GROSSE** Pointe- 1 bedroom, includes air, heat, water, storage room. \$725. 313-610-2126

**705 HOUSES FOR RENT  
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

**\$900.** Woods 2 bedroom bungalow, clean, quiet, air, garage, fenced yard. (313)881-9687

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**1447** Maryland, spacious, 2 bedroom upper, freshly painted, newly remodeled kitchen and bath, new carpeting throughout, shared basement. \$750. Shown by appointment, Jim Saros Agency, (313)884-6861

**1838** Manchester Woods, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths. Extreme makeover, all new throughout. Plasma T.V. Finished basement with theater. A great location, \$2,000/month. (313)641-9900

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**2** homes- close to Village and Hill: 565 Lincoln, 2,800 sq. ft. 5 bedrooms/ 3. 1 baths; \$2,800/ month. 171 Kenwood, 3,300 sq. ft. 4 bedrooms, 3. 1 baths, \$2,950/ month. Agents, 313-402-6998, 313-550-5335

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**705 HOUSES FOR RENT  
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**454** Fisher- 3 bedrooms, 1. 1 bath, family room. Finished basement, newer kitchen. 1,800 sq. ft. \$1,800/ month. Available immediately. 313-729-9369

**60** Mapleton/ Farms, near Kercheval. 3 bedrooms. \$1,100/ month. 313-824-9174

**696** Neff, Grosse Pointe corner of Waterloo. Lower flat, 2 bedroom, new oak floors, water, lawn, snow, full appliances, garage, \$1,100. (313)885-3749

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**705 HOUSES FOR RENT  
POINTES/HARPER WOODS**

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**MACK/** Cadieux area- 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, all appliances, \$,00. first, last, security deposit. (313)410-2100

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**707 HOUSES FOR RENT/  
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**2** bedrooms, updated kitchen, tile bath, utility room, new 2 car garage, Harper/ 10 Mile area, \$775. (313)881-3740

**21923** Alger. 3 bedroom, clean, no basement, no garage- \$800/ month (586)246-6998

**707 HOUSES FOR RENT/  
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**3** bedroom, (possibly 4th in basement) 2 full baths in amazing Craftsman bungalow on double lot in East-pointe. Has huge garage, perfect for mechanic, landscaping equipment, boat owner or workshop! Natural woodwork throughout, all appliances, beautiful condition. May also consider rent to own or land contract. Requires credit check, references, 1 month security, \$1,200/ month. (313)477-3560

**9/** Mack, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, utility room, garage, \$900 plus 1 1/2 security. (586)772-3888

**MARTER/** Jefferson, 3 bedroom, family room, 1. 5 bath, \$895/ month (586)948-3377

**ST.** Clair Shores- 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, basement. Professionally landscape. All appliances included. great area. Must have references. \$1,160/ month. (586)350-6099

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**137** Muir Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, 2 bedroom, air, 1 car garage. 1 year lease. 1 1/2 months security deposit. \$890/ month. (586)596-2084

**2** bedroom condo, near St. John's. \$650/ month. Appliances. Parking. (586)323-3302

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CONDOS FOR RENT**

**QUIET** condo in clean well maintained building, Harper Woods, 1 bedroom upper flat on Bournemouth near Craig. Newly renovated. Walking distance to St. John. Basement, laundry, storage. Stove, refrigerator, \$575/ month. Heat & electricity not included. Steve, (313)884-5062

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**ST.** Clair Shores, 2 bedroom, appliances, air. All utilities included. \$795. (586)286-5693

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TO SHARE**

**SEEKING** young professional roommate in spacious Grosse Pointe flat. immediate occupancy, \$450 everything included. (313)595-1208

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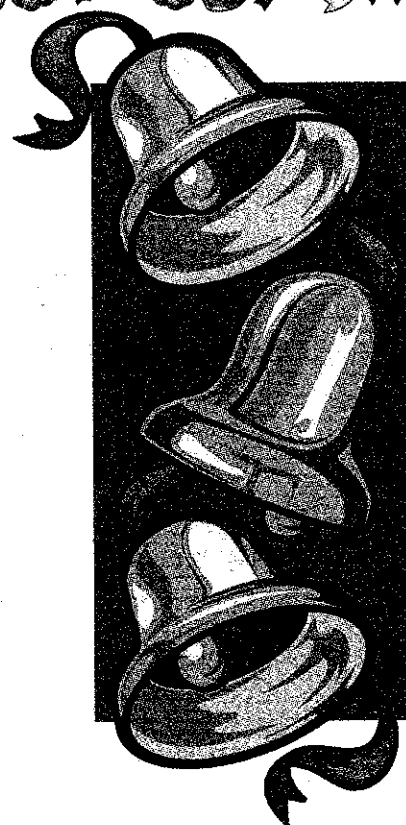
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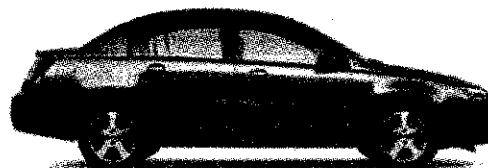
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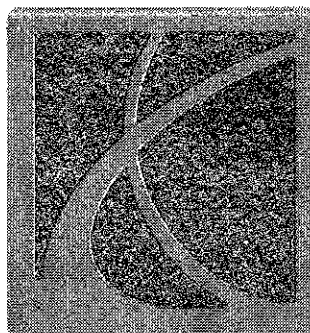
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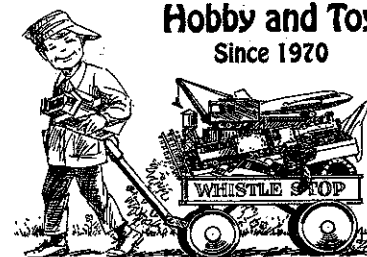
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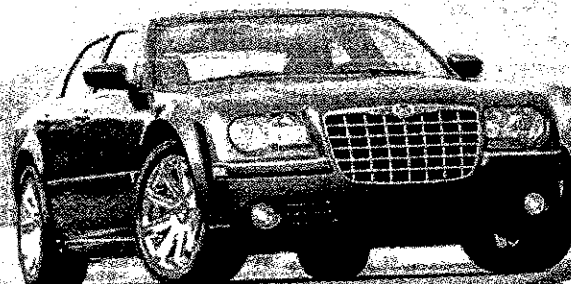




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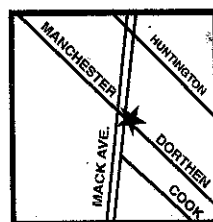
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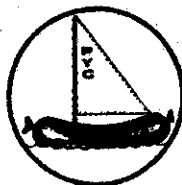




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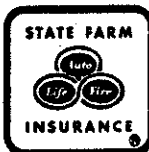
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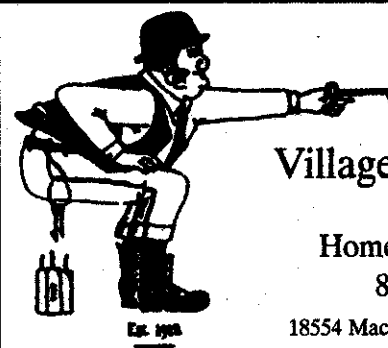
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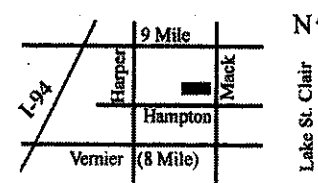
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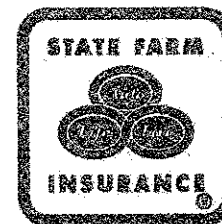
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When: Friday, November 24, 2006 - 9:00 a.m.

Where: Grosse Pointe South High Athletic Field  
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**ENTRY FEES (no refunds)**

\$10.00	Postmarked before November 20th
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Mail entries & checks to: **Grosse Pointe Lions Club**  
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**Starting Times Registration: 8:00 - 8:45 a.m. in Boy's Gym**

**Race Starts: 9:00 a.m.**

**Parade Starts: 10:00 a.m.**

**Race Route:** Exit from the GP South High athletic field thru Kercheval gate, turn rt. or north to Muir Rd., turn 180 degrees, proceed to Cadieux on Kercheval and return to same gate on athletic field.

- In keeping with the Holiday spirit, all participants are asked to wear jingle bells! The walker or runner who wears the most bells will win a prize and will be in the parade!
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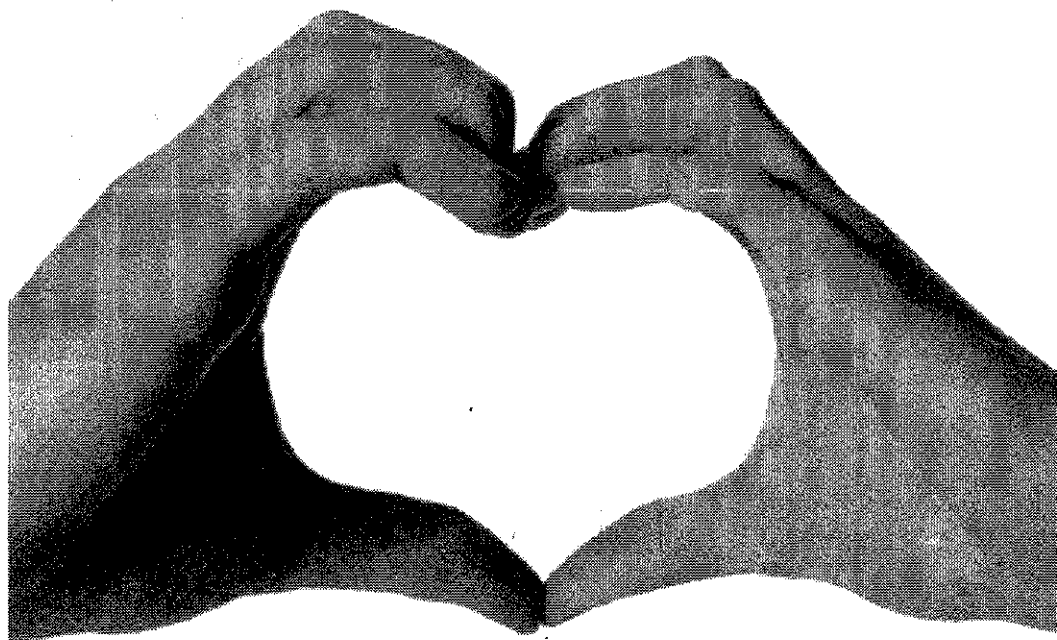
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