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THURSDAY, JUNE 7

- ♦ The Fox Creek Questers No. 216 meet at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mary Sullivan. Bonnie Medura will be co-hostess. Sullivan will present the program, the history of doll houses.
- ♦ Grosse Pointe North and South High School jazz bands open the annual Music on the Plaza season at 7 p.m. at the corner of St. Clair and Kercheval. It is free. The rain location is Maire Elementary School, 740 Cadieux. For more information, call (313) 886-7474. Bring a picnic basket and lawn chairs.
- ♦ Get your blood pressure checked for free from 6 to 9 p.m. in The Sterling's sales gallery, 17027 Kercheval.
- ♦ Grosse Pointe Yacht Club hosts Capt. John R. Haley of the USS Roosevelt at 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

- ♦ The Bon Secours Cottage Five Star Classic Evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner and dancing with the Teen Angels. There will be live and silent auctions. This is a casually elegant attire event. For more information, call (313) 640-2539.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

- ♦ An ice cream social will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

MONDAY, JUNE 11

- ♦ The City of Grosse Pointe Park Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.
- ♦ The City of Grosse Pointe Farms Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby.
- ♦ Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit, hosts a "Chat with Commish Killeen" from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court, 20025 Mack Plaza. For more information, call (313) 224-0920.
- ♦ The Bon Secours Cottage Five Star Golf Classic has openings for shotgun starts at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Included in the day are lunch, contests, an auction and awards reception. For more information, call (313) 640-2539.

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Era ends; new one begins



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Mutt march

The 18th annual Mutt March to benefit the Michigan Humane Society continued despite the rain on Sunday, June 3, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. Every year the walk brings out people who participate in memory of their dogs.

Lauren Lipa's new puppy, Remington, got a ride. Lipa just acquired Remington the day before.

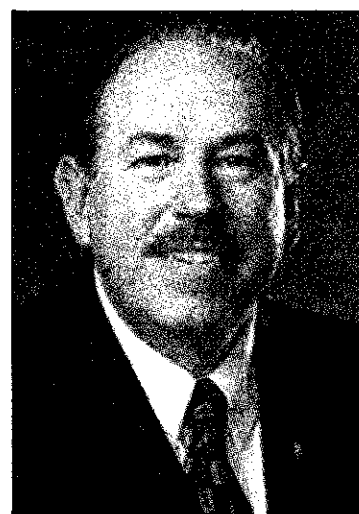
Grosse Pointe News acquired by Bob Liggett of the Shores

Robert G. "Bob" Liggett Jr., the man best known locally for buying Big Boy Restaurants, has acquired yet another long-time metro Detroit institution: the Grosse Pointe News.

The Grosse Pointe Shores resident and businessman completed the purchase of the 67-year-old weekly newspaper last week. The newspaper is held under the corporate entity of Pointe News Group. Liggett serves as chairman and publisher.

Former Publisher Robert G. "Butch" Edgar, son of the newspaper's founder, Robert B. Edgar, died May 11 of lung disease before he was able to witness the completion of the sale that had begun with a handshake with Liggett.

"We knew Butch (Edgar) for all the years we've been here in the Pointes," Liggett said. "We talked about the newspaper and how great a paper it is. I threw out the hook a few times to let him know I was interest-



Robert G. "Bob" Liggett

ed. We're thankful he took it."

The Grosse Pointe News was founded in 1940. Its debut issue was Nov. 7, 1940. Robert B. Edgar served as its founding editor, general manager and publisher until his death in 1979. His son served as pub-

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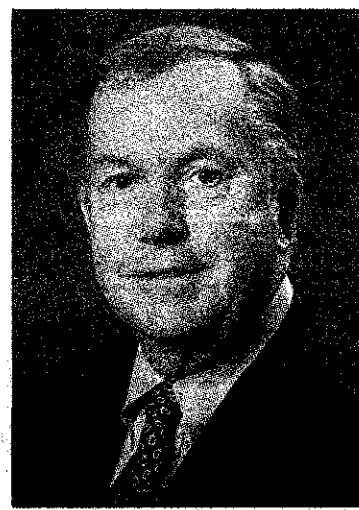
Stephens new St. John CEO

Interim position made permanent

David B. Stephens is the new president and CEO for St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

He has been in the interim president role since October, 2006.

"As interim president of the hospital, Stephens successfully built collaborative relationships with key physicians and community leaders," said Elliot Joseph, president and CEO, St. John Health. "We are confident that under his leadership, St. John will continue to strengthen its position as Southeast Michigan's leading-edge regional destination hospital."



David B. Stephens

A Grosse Pointe Farms resi-

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POINTER OF INTEREST

'I didn't know I wanted to go to Juilliard until after the summer program (at Juilliard).'

Breanna O'Mara



Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
Age: 18

Family: Father, Edward O'Mara; mother, Lanette O'Mara; brothers Erin and Sean

Claim to fame: Will attend Juilliard school for dance
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Yesterday's headlines

1957

50 years ago this week

♦ **EX-MARINE ARRAIGNED IN FORMER COP'S DEATH:** John Herdegen, a former U.S. Marine who saw duty in the Iwo Jima campaign in World War II, was arraigned in the beating and drowning death of Robert Hyde, a former Grosse Pointe Woods policeman.

Herdegen confessed his involvement to a friend, who then went to police. Herdegen said that after he and Hyde left an area VFW hall, they got on Hyde's boat to continue drinking. Herdegen said he threw Hyde off the boat after Hyde made unwanted advances toward him.

Hyde's body was found by fishermen at a breakwater in St. Clair Shores.

♦ **TWO INCUMBENTS RETURNED TO SCHOOL BOARD:** In a very light voter turnout, Grosse Pointe residents returned school board incumbents Robert Weber and Chet Sampson to the governing body.

School board members are elected to four-year terms. Weber has been on the board since 1954; Sampson since 1951.

Reyer Van Zanen finished a distant third in the balloting.

♦ **PURSE SNATCHER CAUGHT:** A Detroit man was arrested for purse snatching after a nun at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church saw him take a purse from a pew.

The nun alerted a church member and former police officer who followed the man into the parking lot. The suspect was held for Grosse Pointe Park police to pick up. Two more purses were found under the man's coat when he was searched.

1982

25 years ago this week

♦ **VOTERS TO DECIDE POOL QUESTION:** A proposal to construct a \$3.5 million swimming pool facility at Grosse Pointe South High School will be decided by voters in a June election.

The ballot question will specifically ask voters if the school board should conduct a \$125,000 pool feasibility study.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education recently declined to take an official position on the proposal. Pool backers have conducted a study for a 50-meter, 10-lane pool with a whirlpool, lockers, cafeteria, weight room and storage area.

♦ **HUNDREDS MOURN JUDGE DENIS:** About 200 Pointe officials, friends and family gathered to mourn the death of Municipal Court Judge J. Patrick Denis who was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound in his courtroom recently.

Flags throughout the Pointes were lowered to half mast in his honor. Denis is survived by his wife, six children and his parents.

Police have not commented on the case and have not released a note that was found in connection with the incident.

♦ **TRIO ARRESTED IN VILLAGE ROBBERY ATTEMPT:** Two men and a woman were arrested after police stopped their car on Kercheval and found several tools used in breaking and entering attempts. The suspects were spotted by police following a telephone siren that scared them off from an area business.

The three suspects cooperated with police demands to exit their vehicle. Upon searching the car, police found the tools.



PHOTO BY FRED RUNNELLS

1957: Still a girl at heart

Mrs. Mark Edgar, a 40-year veteran of the Girl Scouts, was honored by the Grosse Pointe District Girl Scouts for her contributions for four decades. From left are Dorothy Evenden, chairman of the Grosse Pointe District Girl Scouts, Jacqueline Gryean, from Parcels School Troop 377, who pinned Mrs. Edgar, and Muriel Reamore. (From the June 13, 1957 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.)

1997

10 years ago this week

♦ **GP SCHOOLS, SOC INVALIDATE LEASE:** A proposal to construct a 4,800 square foot office building adjacent to Barnes school has been withdrawn by Services for Older Citizens after neighbor complaints that it would compromise the safety of neighbor-

hood children.

An anonymous flier circulated throughout the area claimed the building would be used as a soup kitchen.

The school district and SOC signed a 30-year lease earlier in the year. SOC representatives said they would form a committee to discuss potential future sites for the facility.

♦ **CABLE COMPETITION HEATS UP:** Comcast Cable, which owns franchise rights to several Pointe communities, might soon see competition from Ameritech.

Pointe city councils recently received proposals from Ameritech to provide cable television in their communities. The company is currently stringing fiber optic cable in St. Clair Shores. The earliest customers can expect new service is 1998.

♦ **ST. JOHN BEGINS WORK ON PARKING DECK ADDITION:** Construction to add two more levels to the west parking deck at St. John Hospital will commence in June. The hospital said the construction would add 450 more parking spaces for those who use the hospital's

emergency and concentrated care facilities.

The construction is expected to last six months.

2002

5 years ago this week

♦ **NEW WATER MAIN EYED ON MACK:** Grosse Pointe Woods officials are considering laying a new water main under the median on Mack. The plan, which is estimated to cost \$5.5 million, would be the least disruptive to traffic on the street.

If the plan is approved, construction would take about a year to complete. It would replace the current 70-year-old water main that lies under the curb lane of southbound Mack.

♦ **TAXES, FEES UP IN SHORES:** The Grosse Pointe Shores board of trustees voted to increase its tax rate and fees on licenses and violations and charges for water and sewerage.

Shores officials said the increases were necessary to offset

reductions in state revenue sharing and lower returns on its investments. It also cited unexpected repair costs at its sewer pump station and a sewer pipe break at Cook and Chalfonte.

To make up for that deficit, the village council increased the tax rate from 13.30 to 13.75 mills. It also increased building permit fees by 10 percent.

—By John Lundberg

STEPHENS:
Has served
on two boards

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dent, Stephens earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Syracuse University and a master's degree in business administration from Babson College.

During the past nine years, Stephens served as the chairman of the hospital's board of trustees, as well as a member of its foundation board.

He has more than 30 years experience in the financial services industry. He was the executive vice president of Comerica Bank in charge of the private banking division as well as a series of leadership positions.

He serves on the boards of Vista Maria, Detroit Youth Foundation and the Detroit Chamber Music Society.

—Beth Quinn

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PHOTO BY JOHN MINNIS

PAC speaker packs house

U.S. Congressman Thaddeus G. McCotter, R-Livonia, addressed an Eastside Republican Club PAC fundraising buffet dinner May 30 at Sinbad's. From left, following a question-and-answer session, were 13th Congressional District Chairman Ed Joseph, Eastside Republican Club Vice Chairman Robert McCleary, McCotter and PAC Chairman Lita McKeehan.

LIGGETT: Community remains focus

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lisher until his recent death. He is survived by his wife, Michele Rambour of Grosse Pointe Farms, and sisters, Alden E. Gordon of Vero Beach, Fla., and Lauren E. Chapman of Grosse Pointe Farms, who co-owned the newspaper and completed the sale after Edgar's death.

"We are pleased that the new owner has a strong presence in this community and a dedication to continue to offer its residents a fine product," Chapman said. "We are confident that the paper will retain its excellence and are reassured that our father's baby, the Grosse Pointe News, will be guided by those people who are familiar with it and are experts in their fields."

"On behalf of the family, I want to express our gratitude to our loyal staff, advertisers and readers. The Grosse Pointe News has been a team operation from the beginning, and we have done our best to provide a newspaper for the people with allegiance only to the community."

With Liggett's purchase of the newspaper, the Grosse Pointe News remains one of the few remaining independently owned newspapers in the country.

"We are very excited about Mr. Liggett's purchase of the Grosse Pointe News," said John Minnis, of Grosse Pointe Woods, who continues as editor and general manager of the newspaper. "I and the staff are thrilled the paper has remained under Grosse Pointe ownership. We look forward to working as part of the Liggett team."

"We are also grateful to the Edgar family who has been very supportive and like family to the Grosse Pointe News employees. We will miss their involvement and history with the newspaper, but we understand that time marches on."

Liggett, 64, has spent a lifetime in the media business, primarily in radio. A 1961 Utica High School alumnus, Liggett graduated from the Wayne State University Law School in 1969. He remained in the business he loved — radio — and founded the Liggett Broadcast Group in late 1970.

Liggett's involvement in broadcast began when he was 14 years old as a DJ and announcer throughout his high school years. He later worked for WJR-AM, WXYZ-AM/FM/TV and WJBK-AM/FM/TV in Detroit. He was

the PA announcer for the Detroit Red Wings from 1963 to 1971 at Olympia Stadium.

Headquartered in Lansing, Liggett's company became the state's largest radio broadcast group. The company also owned and operated AM and FM stations throughout the United States. Liggett Broadcast Group merged with Citadel Communications Corp. in June 2000. Citadel recently acquired the ABC/Disney radio stations, including WJR-AM. Liggett still owns five radio stations serving the Port Huron area.

Upon his "retirement" in 2000, Liggett was approached by Grosse Pointer Dan Follis, also a broadcaster, who introduced him to Big Boy Restaurants Acting CEO Tony Michaels. The 60-year-old fast-food institution was in bankruptcy proceedings, and the surviving management was seeking an investor to save the local company and its more than 180 employees.

Liggett was aware of the strong brand identification Big Boy enjoyed throughout the country. After meeting the people and assessing the potential growth, Liggett purchased the Big Boy assets and has supported management and its efforts to stabilize and expand the company.

"Big Boy's is doing well," Liggett said. "It's made money from the beginning and continues to grow."

Michaels, now CEO of Big Boy Restaurants International, said, "From the very first day I met Bob, I realized his caring attitude and overall sense of commitment. I was able to present the Big Boy ownership idea to him, which he embraced, and from that point on, we have not wavered. He is equally committed to the community in which he lives, and that makes him a special person and a great leader."

In the six years Liggett has owned Big Boy, the company, under the leadership of Michaels, has added to its stable of signature products, improved quality control, enhanced operations and developed three new concepts that are just now being built as company stores and franchises nationwide.

The familiar Big Boy family restaurant building has been completely redesigned to a modern cost effective model. The first of these was opened to good reviews in Grand Rapids. The new drive-thru concept is just now being completed, and the two "Big Boy Originals" are operating with a limited menu of signature burgers, sandwiches and desserts at Ford Field and Comerica Park. Seven new stores were opened in California, Florida, Michigan

and Nevada in 2006 with more than 50 in the pipeline for the coming years.

Liggett added, "Big Boy may have gone to an outside company. We kept it under local ownership."

He may just as well have been speaking of the Grosse Pointe News.

"It's a community newspaper," he said, "and should remain responsive to the community rather than just one of a large company's line up."

Liggett said his style is not to get deeply involved in the day-to-day operations of the paper; though as chairman and publisher, he will top the newspaper's masthead and be its most visible spokesman.

"I tend to let the professionals do the job," he said. "I do have ideas, and I like to provide support and cheer people on. My job is to provide the resources to do the best job possible."

(Liggett does think outside the box — or the bun — as he did with Big Boy and its new offering: "Bob's Outside the Bun Chicken Sandwich.")

After working on his high school newspaper and minor-ing in journalism in college, he "got a taste" of commercial newspapering in his early 20s when he started his own publication, the Sports Reporter, while working as a disc jockey at a Flint radio station. When a better job in Detroit became available, he moved closer to his roots.

Liggett said a reporter's job is "to give both sides' point of view and let the readers make up their minds, to get information and present it in a fair and balanced way."

"I like balanced political reporting," he said. "Whether in business or politics, I'm always interested in learning where the other guy's coming from."

"I've always had an avid interest in politics," he said, "and I have supported individuals from both sides of the aisle. I want government to work for the people."

While Liggett served as the savior and benefactor of Big Boy, the same, fortunately, was not necessary with the profitable Grosse Pointe News.

"It wasn't broke," he said of the newspaper. "The business was solid. It clearly isn't broken, and we certainly want to continue that well established tradition."

Liggett said he learned the value of community orientation while working at WJR and continues that tradition at his Port Huron radio stations.

"In the tradition of WJR, our stations in Port Huron, Big Boys and our relationship with the Grosse Pointe News, we will continue to be community service," he said. "We hope in every possible way to make it

better and live up to the expectations of the community which has been supportive of the paper for a long, long time."

"It's the people's paper, and we want to continue its tradition. We look forward to meeting the challenges of the industry and the community."

Last week's closing was presided over by Liggett Holdings's Chief Financial Officer Bruce Ferguson and by Liggett corporate counsel, Henry J. Brennan of Howard & Howard, both Grosse Pointe residents. James Bruno, also a Grosse Pointer, represented the Edgar family. The newspaper's sale was brokered by Evan L. Land of Dirks, Van Essen & Murray of Santa Fe, N.M.

At his first meeting with the staff on Thursday, May 31, Liggett introduced some of his associates, including Thom Kaleta, who will serve the paper's growing computer and Web site development needs, and Patrice Thomas, his administrative assistant.

In 2001, Liggett founded SpeedNET, a provider of wireless high speed modem service for rural areas of Michigan. The Internet service provider now serves businesses and households in northern Michigan and the Thumb of Michigan from Flint to the Mackinac Bridge. Recently, SpeedNET was awarded rights that will allow it to build a wireless modem system for the five-county metro Detroit market, including the Grosse Pointes.

The Liggetts, who have lived in the Grosse Pointes since 1989, are very involved in the community. An avid boater, Liggett has been a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club since 1984. He is a lifetime member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society.

Liggett's memberships and involvement include many Detroit and Grosse Pointe clubs and social organizations, including the St. John Hospital Foundation and founder of the Liggett Breast Center at St. John Hospital Van Elslander Cancer Center. He has been a member of the Michigan State Bar Association since 1969.

His wife of 18 years, Vicki, was on the board of The Grosse Pointe Academy when their three girls — Emily, 17, and twins Marjorie and Roberta "Birdy," 16 — attended the school. She also served last year as honorary chair of the 2006 St. John Hospital White Christmas Ball. The couple were honorary chairs of the Grosse Pointe Rotary auction in 2006.

She is a graduate of Michigan State University, serves on the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation and is a member of Tau Beta.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Old Jake's parking deck has surprises

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

No, they didn't find Jimmy Hoffa's remains.

There is an old saying that when you embark on a major project, the best way to prepare is to expect the unexpected.

And as City of Grosse Pointe officials have learned recently, that applies to the demolition of the old Jacobson's parking garage.

It turns out that the foundation and the backfill of the old garage was not what was in the original drawings.

City Manager Peter Dame said the foundation was considerably thicker than indicated. In addition, dirt around the foundation and underneath it was not sand or an "engineered fill" as expected.

"It appears to be backfill from the structures that were on the site before the garage was built and contains broken pipe and roots," Dame said. "This type of backfill cannot be used in the new garage."

And that equates to additional expenses. "The extra work required to

remove the larger foundation and the removal and replacement of more than the originally estimated amount of soil will constitute the basis for a change order to be approved by City Council (at its next regular meeting) on June 18th," Dame said.

Mayor Dale Scrace and Councilman Chris Walsh deferred comment until they see the modified estimates to remove the foundation and collateral debris.

Scrace added that such occurrences are not uncommon when embarking on such a project.

"This extra cost due to unforeseen conditions would have been required regardless of the contractor," Dame said. "The cost of the demolition project is nonetheless significantly below what had been estimated as the cost of demolition during the planning phases for the new garage."

It took only a few days to demolish the old structure. A new parking deck is expected to be completed by the time Trader Joe's opens for business in Kercheval Place at the end of the year.

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Accretion plan halfway there

For residents and officials in Grosse Pointe Farms concerned about the return of phragmites in the accretion area north of Pier Park, relief should be on the way.

City Manager Shane Reeside said Monday night the Farms has received approval from the state Department of Environmental Quality to commence with its plan to beautify the area, a longtime eyesore for residents.

But, on the flip side, the Army Corps of Engineers, the other governing agency the city needs approval from, has requested more information.

But despite the delay, city

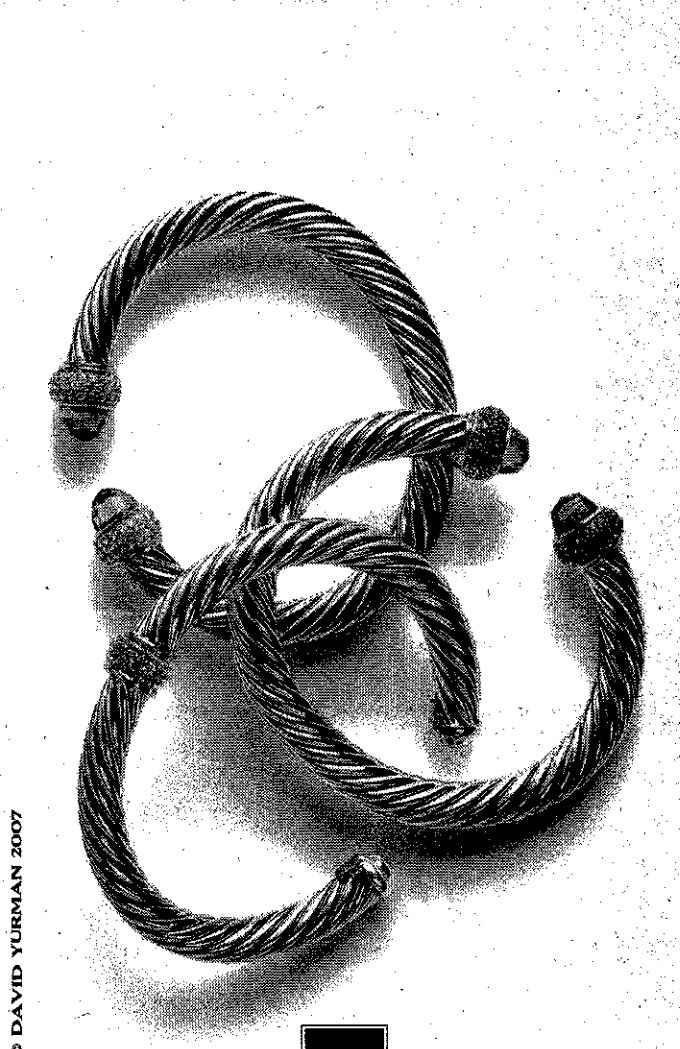
officials are optimistic that they will be able to start removing the invasive plants in "July or August" and replace them with flowers like black-eyed Susans in the fall.

Last fall, the Farms cleared the area of phragmites, but throughout the spring they have reemerged. Councilman Terry Davis said Monday he is constantly asked by residents about the status of the area.

Reeside has requested \$30,000 from this year's budget for the project. If all goes according to plan, the area should be sprouting much more attractive growth next spring.

— By John Lundberg

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4A | NEWS

POINTER OF INTEREST

Breanna O'Mara was born to be a dancer, first imitating a flashy Greek dancer, then as a jazz, hip-hop and modern dancer. Now 16 years later, she is joining Juilliard's freshman dance division.

Dancing queen and she's only 18

By Laura Phelps
Special Writer

Dance as if everyone is watching.

When Breanna O'Mara, was just under 2 years old her mother, Lanette O'Mara, took her to a Greek party. There, the wide-eyed toddler watched a Greek dancer perform the Dance of the Seven Veils for more than an hour. As soon as she got home, she stuck crayons in her socks to imitate Greek jewels and started dancing.

She has not stopped.

This fall, the Grosse Pointe North High School senior will dance all the way to New York City where she will join 11 other selected Juilliard Dance Division freshmen.

She began taking formal dance classes at the Grosse Pointe Dance Center in Grosse Pointe Woods when she was 7 years old. By the time she was 12 years old, she was taking every class offered from ballet and tap, to modern and hip-hop, her mother said.

Now O'Mara focuses on ballet, jazz, and modern dance but said she does not have a favorite.

It was after an intensive dance program last summer at Juilliard that she decided to pursue an education and career only for elite dreamers.

"I've enjoyed dance the whole time I've done it, but I didn't know I wanted to go to

Juilliard until the summer," O'Mara said.

"After the summer program, it just felt like the right thing, like I fit in there."

While every high school senior deals with the pressures of college applications, few go through anxiety like a Juilliard applicant.

For each city, Juilliard weeds through thousands of dancers to narrow it down to only 12, her mother said.

O'Mara was selected for Juilliard because she is more than a dancer.

Mary Lou Parker, Grosse Pointe Dance Center owner and artistic director said, "There are a lot of exceptional dancers, but she is an artist."

"When she takes the stage the whole place goes silent because it's more than just dancing and she's beautiful to watch."

The day-long Juilliard audition includes taking classes, presenting a solo piece, learning choreography and completing an interview. But O'Mara is used to this type of pressure, she said. She went through similar auditions to be accepted into the summer programs of the American Ballet Theater, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater and Juilliard.

O'Mara said she did not dance her absolute best during the audition.

"I think I've danced better on other days because that week we missed two days of school

because of the cold so I had not danced in a while and I felt a little off because I was so nervous. But I tried my best," O'Mara said.

Typically, she will dance 15 hours each week while maintaining a high academic standard.

During the week she has two thoughts: school and dance, according to her mother.

O'Mara's dream forced her to sacrifice many "normal" teenage memories such as school sports games and dances. Because ballet is expensive, she said she does not have a vast wardrobe and "toys" like her other friends.

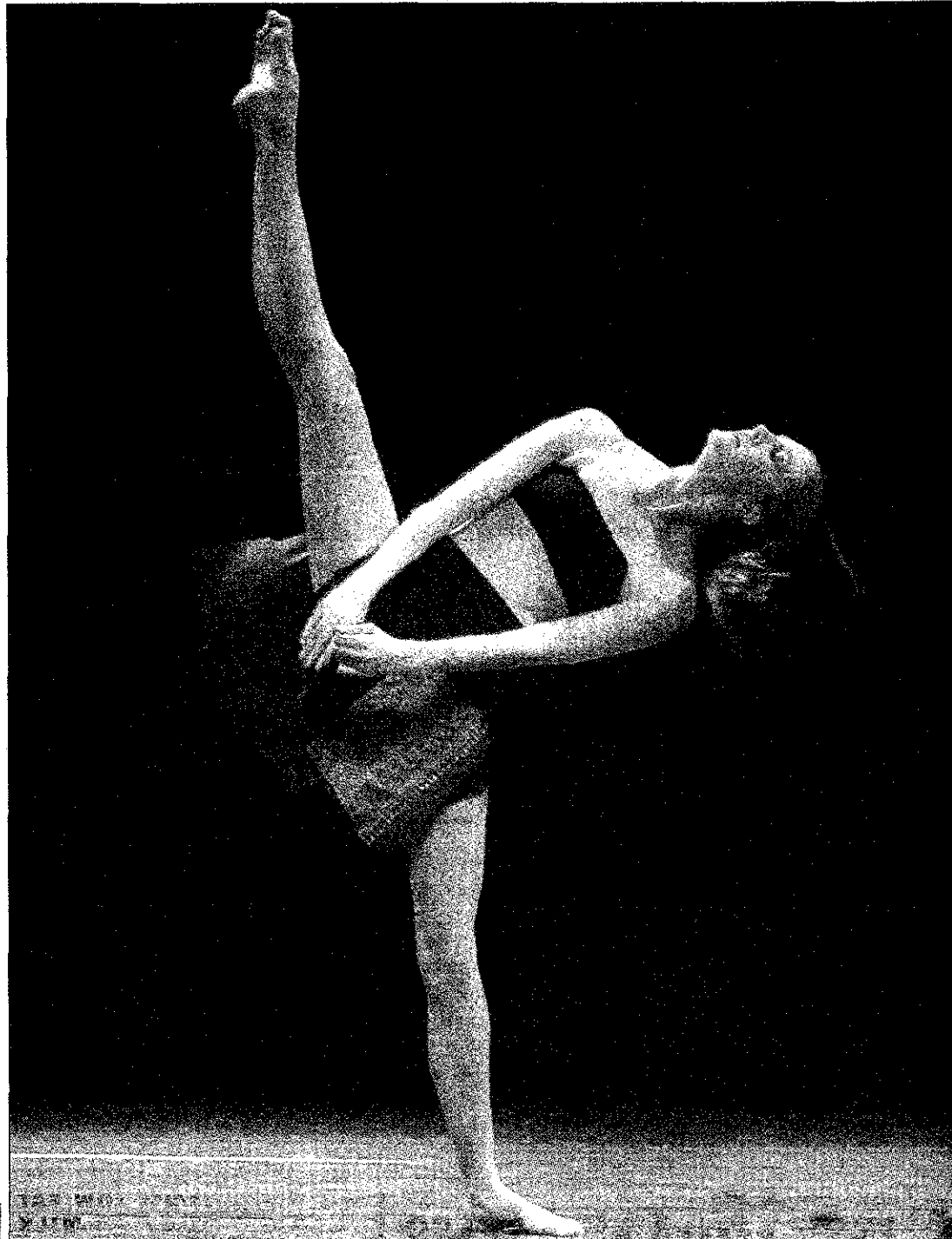
While others were lying by the pool and she was lacing up her pointe shoes, O'Mara remains appreciative. "I've sacrificed probably some of my social life, but I don't have the time to do anything during the week but dance and homework. I hang out on weekends," she said.

"I have missed some family parties, but I still think I've had a normal and good life."

Dance has influenced her academics as much as her personal life, but in a very different way, she said.

"Dance has helped me manage my time because I know when I get home I only have so much time to do my homework so I don't have the time to be lazy and mess around," O'Mara said.

"It helped me with my disci-



Breanna O'Mara is on her way to New York City to join the Juilliard Dance Division.

pline and school work."

While her parents were expecting her to go to their alma mater, the University of Michigan, she had different plans, her mother said.

"We knew it was a great hobby, but we really thought she would be a doctor," her mother said.

"Her dad and I know that anything in the arts doesn't mean a lot of money but it's what she really loves so I'm backing her 100 percent."

Even on her longest days, O'Mara said she uses dance to relax. "I think of where I want to be eventually and every time

I'm more motivated.

"If I'm having a bad day and I don't want to dance, I know that I will feel better and be happier once I go."

Not only is O'Mara a self-motivator, she is also an inspiration to all those around her, Parker said.

O'Mara works with younger dancers and volunteers at 6-year-olds birthday parties. She sets a great example for other students because even though she is one of the best dancers in the country, according to Parker, she still arrives to class early, properly dressed and with her ears open for corrections.

tions.

"It's really humbling to work with the younger kids because they are phenomenal for their age and I look at them and think of how good they're going to be and it makes me want to work harder so I can keep progressing as well," O'Mara said.

Five years from now she hopes to be dancing with a modern dance or a contemporary ballet company, she said.

Whichever type of dance it is, she said she hopes to be in a company that travels to Europe to fulfill her two passions, dance and travel.



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Award winner

Grosse Pointe Park resident Edward P. Gruca, above, recently received a Keep Michigan Beautiful award for organizing the first block Elm tree injection group in 1980. He continues to actively participate in the project. The award was given at the Keep Michigan Beautiful, Inc., 2007 annual awards banquet May 20 at the Cherry Creek Golf and Country Club in Shelby Township. "KMB is delighted to acknowledge 32 projects that demonstrate a blend of innovation, creativity and diversity this year," said Betty Anne Stone, KMB president.

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Three sons arrested

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

The three men were looking for a showdown with City of Grosse Pointe police.

And they got it.

What began with the arrest of a woman on Friday, June 1 for witness intimidation, escalated to the arrest of her three sons who entered the City police station where she was being processed and unleashed a threatening, profanity-laced tirade toward police, said Detective Ron Wiecezorek.

After enduring the outburst, police ordered the three men out of the station. They left, but continued yelling and cursing on the way to their car, in which they sped off.

Police followed to make sure the incident did not worsen. That's when they were flagged down by another motorist who said the driver of the car had pointed a gun at him.

"They ran through a stop sign and nearly collided with (the witness)," Wiecezorek said. "He said that (the driver) pointed a gun at him."

Police called for backup from Grosse Pointe Park and the pursuit was on. But police had lost sight of the car.

That's when road construction came to their assistance. "They were forced to turn

around because of construction on Kercheval," Wiecezorek said. "We stopped them and made the arrests at gun point."

The episode traces its roots to a carjacking of an elderly couple on University last January, said Police Chief Jim Fox.

Police have made three arrests in the case and were looking for two more suspects.

That's when the mother of one of the suspects got involved. Police said she was intimidating potential witnesses in the case.

"She was telling people, 'If you testify against my family, you will be killed,'" Wiecezorek said. "We're not going to put up with that."

Police decided the best place to execute an arrest warrant was when the woman, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, was at her job in a downtown casino. As she was being led away, she instructed an employee to contact her family, Wiecezorek said.

And that's when the fireworks began.

When police pulled up with her at the station, her husband and one son pulled up in a SUV and began chastising the officers. They eventually left, but soon after the three sons, two 21-year-old twins and a 23-year-old sibling entered the po-

lice station.

One of the twins is a suspect in the carjacking. He was released on bail and has since "changed his story" regarding his role in the carjacking, Wiecezorek said.

The response to these attempts at intimidation send a clear message that this type of conduct will not be tolerated and that we will aggressively deal with anyone involved in such threats," Fox said.

Because of the violent nature of the confrontation, Fox ordered extra police staffing at the station over the weekend. He said no additional incidents occurred.

"Three of the prisoners were arrested and arraigned on various charges including felonious assault, witness intimidation and interfering/obstruction of officers in the performance of their duties," Fox said.

He added if they were released on bail they would be required to wear electronic tethers to track their movements.

Fox said another person has been arrested for intimidating witnesses in the case by Southfield police on Monday June 4.

"These threats will not deter us from pursuing justice in this matter," Fox said.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Police arrest man wanted

It took nearly two years, but City of Grosse Pointe police said they have caught the thief who broke through a window of a restaurant on St. Clair and made off with a cash register.

Detective Ron Wiecezorek said the 37-year-old Detroit man was arrested by Wayne County deputies after traces of

his blood taken from the crime scene were matched through a state database.

The theft occurred on July 5, 2005. Police said the man reached through the broken window and grabbed the register. Restaurant employees reported that there was about \$300 in the register and the

machine itself was worth \$500.

The man is being held at the Wayne County jail on a \$250,000 bond. It was set high because he injured two public safety officers when he tried to escape. He is also considered a flight risk, Wiecezorek said.

— By John Lundberg

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New swings

Children and adults can enjoy the new swings installed at Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park. Parks and Recreation Director Melissa Sharp purchased one swing set with eight belt seats and one set with four tot seats from Engan-Tooley-Doyle and Associates for \$26,121. The city set aside \$27,000 in its budget for the purchase. The swing sets are surrounded by soft material to cut down on accidents. The removal of the old swings was recommended by the city's insurance carrier. Pictured above are the tot swings.

G. P. WOODS

Brothers get OK

The Gormely brothers, Louis and Michael, teamed up to present their fence variance cases to the Grosse Pointe Woods' City Council.

Each walked away a happy camper after councilmembers approved their requests.

Louis Gormely and his family, who reside in the 20400 block of Sunningdale Park, requested an extension of the variances they received to construct a privacy fence and accessory building.

He had six months to get the work permit and missed the deadline by a couple of days.

"I know it is my fault, but as soon as I get the extension, I will get the permit and begin construction immediately," Louis Gormely said.

Council came back with a unanimous approval to extend the variance.

Michael Gormely and his family live in the 19900 block of East Emory Court.

"I want to construct a solid fence (which is against current city ordinances) because I have two kitchen windows on the north side of my house which look directly into my neighbor's yard from my kitchen table," Michael Gormely said. "My patio is directly parallel to the neighbor's garage and I believe the solid fence will provide my family, as well as my neighbor, better privacy between adjacent lot lines."

In addition, the fence would also mask Gormely's two central air conditioning units from his neighbor's view.

"My view of the yard will look more aesthetically pleasing to myself and my neighbor," Michael Gormely said.

A previous 6-foot wood privacy fence was torn down last October, leaving a bare space between lots.

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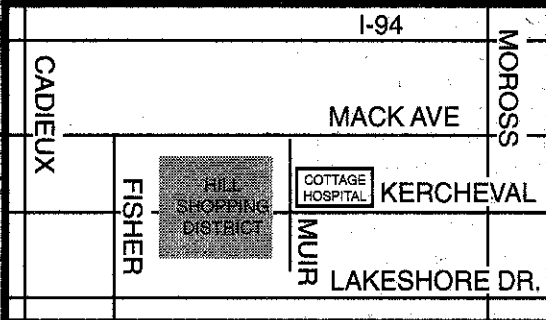
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Artists, crafters and collectors can gather every second Saturday of the month this summer to take a look at what each vendor has to offer.

This year's kickoff starts with a fundraiser rummage

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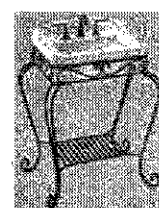
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EDITORIAL

Liggett takes reins of News

For the first time in its 67-year history, the Grosse Pointe News has a new owner. Last week, Bob Liggett, of Grosse Pointe Shores, completed the purchase of the newspaper, thus bringing an era to an end and beginning a new one.

The Grosse Pointe News was founded, as we are reminded in this week's Offering from the Loft, below, by Robert B. Edgar, father of the Loft writer and the recently deceased publisher, Robert G. Edgar. Financial backing for the start-up newspaper was provided at the time by Pointers Anastasia and Teed Buhl, now deceased. The Vol. 1 No. 1 of the Grosse Pointe New was published on Nov. 7, 1940.

Robert B. Edgar served as editor and general manager and publisher of the paper until his death in 1979. His son, known as "Butch," served as publisher until his death on May 11. His survivors — wife, Michele Rambour, and sisters, Alden E. Gordon of Vero Beach, Fla., and Lauren E. Chapman of Grosse Pointe Farms — completed the sale of the newspaper, which Mr. Edgar had mapped out before his death.

Mr. Edgar insisted the sale of the newspaper was not due to the rare, progressive lung disease from which he suffered and which took the life of his sister, Gay, some years ago and eventually his own. Mr. Edgar was never a smoker.

Rather, he and his family, the youngest of whom is 70, decided it was time to pass on their father's legacy. While many prospective buyers were interested in the buying the paper, in the end, the nod went to a local buyer, Mr. Liggett.

We believe the new ownership will be good for the newspaper and, most importantly, for our many loyal readers and advertisers and the community.

Mr. Liggett has expressed his desire to maintain the community focus of the newspaper. He quipped that it would be wonderful if everyone's name could get in the Grosse Pointe News at least once a year. That is an exaggeration, of course, but the sentiment is poignant as that is the essence of a community newspaper.

True, there will be changes in the paper, a little "freshening up." As readers will recall, we went through a major redesign of the newspaper a little more than year ago, the first in 20 years. That was a good start. We are sure there will be many more small, but significant, changes to the paper.

Already you will notice the Liggett companies' "crown" logo in the banner of today's paper, the first issue under Mr. Liggett's ownership. In the masthead below, you will see the logo for the Pointe News Group, the new corporate entity that owns the Grosse Pointe News. You will also notice the News staff has remained.

Mr. Edgar and his sisters sought to keep all their employees in place throughout the sale. They also hoped to keep the Grosse Pointe News a local newspaper. In both cases, they succeeded.

The founding editor's philosophy for the Grosse Pointe News, as stated in its first issue, was to not be beholden to any one political party or faction. That guiding principal will remain under the new ownership.

Mr. Liggett, as quoted in this week's front-page news story announcing the purchase, believes political reporting — and all reporting — should be fair and balanced, that readers should be given all the information upon which to make up their own minds. The new publisher believes in keeping government responsive to the people.

We are delighted by these sentiments and wholeheartedly endorse them.

In that vein, we will continue to interview and endorse candidates for local political office — at least in those races where there are challengers. We will continue to weigh in on issues of the week.

We only ask that readers remember the difference between the news pages and the opinion page.

In theory, editorials are the voice of the publisher. In reality, it is far more complicated and less arbitrary than that. Publishers rely on input from editors, reporters and other sources to form their opinions. Often, editorial boards are set up to evaluate issues and candidates before penning endorsements. On a small newspaper, such as the Grosse Pointe News, opinions are often the agreement of the publisher and editor or sometimes just the editorial writer, provided there are no controversial or extenuating issues.

In our discussions with Mr. Liggett, we are excited about his and his team's ideas and synergies. Mr. Liggett was very successful in the radio industry and still owns five stations in Port Huron. While print and radio are different media, we think they have many things in common, and we look forward to exploring the possibilities.


While we are saddened by the loss of Mr. Edgar and the departure of his family from the newspaper, we are confident they have left the Grosse Pointe News in good hands.

Welcome aboard, Bob!

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I walk on the beach

To the Editor:
I walk on the beach
The beaches of Normandy
Alone among the silence and stillness
But in my mind I hear
The sounds of battle.
I smell the explosions
I see the flash of guns
I hear the cries of wounded, of dying
I feel the fear, the courage
The pain and for some
The sensation, My God I made it.
It didn't matter who was beside you
There was no time to ask
Country, unit, religion or even color
Because both had only one goal
To stay alive.
Many didn't make it
Their markers coating the field white.
Their names starting to be lost in history
But they are a memorial
Nay an endowment of sacrifice
Singly and collectively they gave.
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ories
But I hear their chorus of voices
Protect, hold fast to your freedom
Don't let us have died in vain.
A breeze suddenly came up
Unfurling the flags of many nations
I stand and salute
For I too was a soldier
They had left a legacy
And we are brothers.
BY GUSTAVE RENER
October 2002
Grosse Pointe Woods

G.P. Symphony seeks contributions

To the Editor:
The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra was founded in 1953 by my father-in-law, Thomas Nester, who was a violinist, along with other community musicians.
They held their first concert in January of 1954 at the Pierce Auditorium, and they have been pleasing audiences on Sunday afternoons in Grosse Pointe for 54 seasons.
The orchestra is made up of musicians from Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores

and neighboring communities, who are teachers, bankers, lawyers, nurses, high school students, homemakers and individuals from many walks of life. They meet on Wednesday evenings to practice, and present three concerts each season, featuring local and professional soloists.

I serve on the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors. Each season we have watched our fund balances drop, as it becomes increasingly expensive to maintain this symphony orchestra — a cultural gem in our community.

The orchestra has established an endowment fund for the purpose of guaranteeing financial stability in future decades. Currently, the orchestra barely has enough cash on hand to plan the next season of concerts for 2007-2008.

I ask fellow community members to join me in making tax deductible contributions to the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, which can be sent to 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Note on your check that your contribution is for the endowment fund. A prompt receipt for tax purposes will be issued.

The orchestra has established an ambitious goal of \$250,000 to help fund the orchestra into future years.

The Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra in St. Clair Shores recently found that they were unable to continue operating, after decades of beautiful concerts in their community. We don't want this to happen in Grosse Pointe.

Any questions about joining the orchestra, the board of directors, or finances of the orchestra can be directed to (313) 882-0077.

A. GERARD "GERRY" LEONE
Grosse Pointe Farms

End dispute

To the Editor:

We are asking that you put an end to the dispute between Grosse Pointe Park Parks and Recreation Director Terry Solomon and Grosse Pointe Park resident Kathy Flynn regarding her use of the tennis courts at Patterson Park during the summer months.

At our request, Mrs. Flynn teaches our children to play tennis. We find it hard to believe that the parks and recreation department is threatened by a local mom teaching a handful of kids tennis at Patterson Park.

In the letter to Mrs. Flynn, assistant city attorney Niesa R. Trent states that her use of the tennis courts is "unreasonable."

We would like to inform you that we do not even reserve the courts. We just show up with our kids and play. If the tennis courts at Patterson Park are in such demand, why don't we have any problem finding a court every time we want to play?

Ms. Trent's letter states that Section 17-26 of the Grosse Pointe Park City Code "Prohibits unreasonable use of the park equipment and facilities."

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OFFERING FROM THE LOFT

The pleasure has been all mine

Few things have been this difficult for me. Those close to me know I have a terrible time saying goodbye. The marshmallow part of me tears up as our children pull out of our driveway after each visit. A beautiful rainbow or the sight of our flag billowing in the wind will produce moist eyes, so final goodbyes overwhelm me. The word just isn't in my vocabulary, and I've had to choke on it too many times this year.

In November of this year, the Grosse Pointe News will have been in existence for 67 years without ever missing a publication date. This paper was the fulfilled dream of our father, Robert B. Edgar, and with the financial backing of two close friends, Anastasia and Teed Buhl, a dream was realized. Due to many circumstances and after months of deliberation, our family decided to sell the paper. When our

father died in 1979, he left "his baby" in the charge of his four children. We have lost two siblings in the last five years, and one of us resides in Florida. The youngest of us is 70 years old, and the calendar tells us it is time to move in another direction.

When a decision of this personal magnitude is made, it comes with enormous responsibility. As owners of your newspaper, we have endeavored to retain its integrity, keep its competent and loyal staff in place and make a seamless transition. This has been a mission for us. However, no one has the right as a seller to dictate the future. One hopes that certain traditions will continue as well as anticipates new ideas that will benefit the readership and community.

After months of meetings, consultations and negotiations, we have an agreement for a sale of this newspaper.

We are pleased that the new owner has a strong presence in this community and a dedication to continue to offer its residents a fine product. We are confident that the paper will retain its excellence and are reassured that our father's baby, the Grosse Pointe News, will be guided by those people who are familiar with it and are expert in their fields.

On behalf of the family, I want to express our gratitude to our loyal staff, advertisers and readers. The Grosse Pointe News has been a team operation from the beginning, and we have done our best to provide a newspaper for the people with allegiance only to the community.

Sixty-seven years ago, Dad printed a form of a mission statement in Vol. 1 No. 1 of this newspaper. In essence, it stated, "The paper's greatest hope is that it be recognized as an accurate and just register of the community's social,

political, religious and commercial interests and activities, that it earn its place as a force making for better social and commercial relations, for better government and for greater opportunities for material and cultural advancement."

The editor pledged complete coverage of the Pointe and to honestly speak for the greater interests of the community. We have made every attempt to fulfill this mission.

Regarding the Loft, I want to thank you. You have been an incredibly supportive and thoughtful readership, and I have savored our time together. I fell into this slot 17 years ago, quite by accident, and have had great fun throwing thoughts your way. The pleasure has been all mine, and I look forward to seeing many of you around town. Have a great summer, live well and be grateful for all the goodness in our lives.

I SAY By Beth Quinn

A perfect gift from a perfect stranger



I was recently rummaging through some photo albums looking for a baby picture of my oldest son, Tommy, for his senior class's all night graduation party.

When I look back at photos of my children, I am filled with wonderment of an earlier time. I can't believe how small they were. How young I looked.

While I enjoy looking at all of them, one always gets to me, and hauntingly so.

It's a photo of 22-month old Tommy bending over to smell some pansies.

Whenever I see this photo, I am immediately transported

back 16 years to an afternoon my husband, Tommy and I spent at Longwood Gardens, the former estate of industrialist Pierre S. DuPont 30 miles south of Philadelphia.

We were playing in the children's garden which is a marvelous courtyard of pint-size gardens, fountains and mazes geared toward pint-size people.

We were probably there for about an hour before I noticed a man watching Tommy.

Normally, I would have quickly picked Tommy up and whisked him far, far away from the man eying him.

However, this time it was different. I realized the man was dying from HIV/AIDS.

Unfortunately for him, the effective antiretroviral treatments keeping many AIDS patients alive today was not available in 1991. His death was imminent and coming

soon.

That spring was the winter of his life.

He was quietly sitting in a wheelchair. His emaciated, sore-ridden body was bundled in a blanket that reminded me of swaddling clothes protecting a baby from the cold. Despite the blanket and the warm sunny day, he appeared to be freezing.

His aged and parchment-like skin looked as if it would disintegrate into a thousand pieces if struck by one strong breeze.

He looked like a 100-year old man, yet I knew he was younger than me.

Perhaps it was his eyes, as they were so alive, so alert. They glistened with complete joy as he gazed at Tommy.

While we were soaking up the sun, he was soaking up Tommy's exuberance.

Since then, I have wondered

what he was thinking about as he followed Tommy frolicking among the animal-shaped topiaries.

Was he recalling his own childhood when life was simple and innocent? Or was he just living in the moment, enjoying the simplest of life's pleasures.

Whatever he was thinking, I'm sure he didn't realize he gave me one of the best gifts I've ever received. Seeing him take such great pleasure in my son made me realize how blessed I am.

I saw the rest of our afternoon through his eyes. I completely forgot about the chores and duties waiting for me when I returned home and focused entirely on my husband and Tommy.

I savored every moment of the visit — and it was delicious.

Even now, years later, I can still experience that day.

I remember how the warm sun mixed with an occasional whisper of a breeze tickled my bare arms. The sensation was new to my all too pale skin which had been buried under long sleeve shirts and winter coats just days before.

I can still see the early spring beds of tulips, daffodils and pansies bursting with color.

But most precious of all, I can remember Tommy as a toddler.

I remember his high pitched giggles as he ran flat footed in his little blue sneakers through the maze. We must have run the labyrinth a dozen times, which normally would have been monotonous to me, but not that day. Each time I went through with the wonderment of a babe, or perhaps of a dying man.

I remember us running our hands through the miniature waterfalls trickling into a pool

of water. I gently drizzled some water on Tommy who promptly splashed back. We had a mini water fight, getting our shirts and shorts damp.

I remember how the sun made the golden highlights sparkled in Tommy's auburn hair.

I wish could have thanked that young man. Because of him, I have memories of a perfectly precious piece of my life.

Tommy will be leaving for college in North Carolina at the end of August. Once he leaves home, he will have a life of his own completely separate and mostly unknown to me.

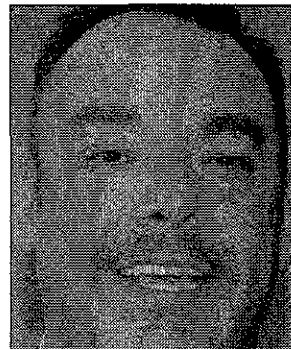
While I know this is a natural cycle of life, I still feel a sense of loss. My baby is growing up, leaving the nest. I will see less and less of him as the years march on.

Yet I still have those memories which I will keep until my dying days.

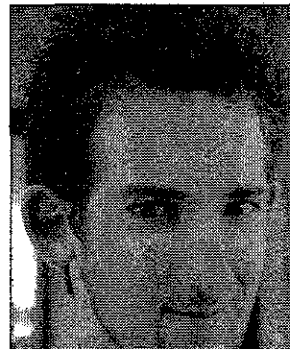
STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What do you bring to a picnic?

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



'Chicken and potato salad.'
C. SCOTT CRESSY
Roseville



'Beer, subs and Cheetos.'
DAVE KROGH
Sterling Heights



'Bug spray.'
ELIZABETH DELUCA
Grosse Pointe Park



'Angel food cake with Cool Whip topped with blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. Kind of patriotic with the red, white and blue.'
MEGHAN MCDONALD
City of Grosse Pointe



'I bring dessert. Usually Rice Krispie Treats or brownies.'
SARAH EATHERLY
St. Clair Shores



'Chocolate chip cookies.'
DANA HAUCK
Grosse Pointe Park

FYI By Ben Burns

No S&H Green Stamps in this collection



Warren Wilkinson's father got him started collecting stamps when he was 8 years old. At first — like most young collectors — his goal was to collect stamps from all over the world.

It didn't take him long to realize the impossibility of that task. But by the time Wilkinson was 10, he could name every country in the world. He knew things like Helvetica on a stamp meant it was Swiss, and Deutschland stood for Germany. It sparked a lifelong passion for history and Wilkinson's support of a number of historical associations including the Detroit Historical Society.

Wilkinson, of the City, started specializing early on. What he assembled over many years were remarkable collections of postal items.

One of those rare collections, valued at \$1.5 million — the FIP (Federation International Philatelics) World Exhibition Gold Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859 — will be auctioned off next Thursday in the Eurpides Suite of the Atheneum Hotel and Conference Center in Detroit. The year 1851 is when Canadian postal stamps began. These are postal covers, the addressed envelope and stamps still attached.

A dozen or so collectors from around the world, some representing as many as 30 clients, will begin assembling to view the philatelic treasures at 10 a.m. that day. It will all be very civilized. A buffet lunch will be provided from noon to

1 p.m. and viewing will continue to 6 p.m. Immediately after the auction, which will take about an hour and a half, an evening repast will be served.

It will all be organized by Charles G. Firby Auctions, which has specialized in selling special collections for more than 30 years and has headquarters in Waterford. Firby describes this Wilkinson collection "as being the most complete ever formed of this fascinating period." To give you an idea of the importance of the auction, the full-color catalog of this Wilkinson collection is 256 pages. And if you would like a hardbound copy, there are a very limited number available at \$100 each in advance of the auction by contacting FirbyAuctions.com.

Wilkinson reviews the catalog, pointing out one-of-a-kind items such as the 1851 12-pence stamped letter addressed to a person on Wall Street in 1853. It is worth upwards of \$200,000. There are letters sent on steamship lines. There are letters sent during the Crimean War, about which Alfred Lord Tennyson penned his famed poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

There are letters to England, France, Scotland, Spain and a dozen other countries. There is even a stamped booklet catalog for the sale of short-horned cattle and Cotswold and Southdown sheep sent in 1857. Only three examples of that particular postal rate have ever been recorded. Each cover has its own story. Each is a fascinating piece of history, lovingly preserved.

Pedal power

Three-year-old Tommy Drawbaugh rode his trike around the parking lot at Boyne Highlands the weekend of May 19 while 2,375 bicyclists got ready for the 18th annual Zoo-de-Mackinac jaunt from there to Mackinaw City. Whether Tommy is in training for the 19th, 20th, 21st or 22nd

ride will depend on his dad, Greg Drawbaugh, of the Park, who dreamed up the annual bike tour in 1989 and completed the scenic 51 mile route through some of Michigan's most beautiful scenery with seven friends. Since then it has grown and grown.

Drawbaugh, the dad, is a certified public accountant at a firm in Troy in his real life, but the Zoo-de-Mackinac takes over each May. It is not a race. It is a weekend of parties, bands, good times and a visit to that magical island in the Straits of Mackinac.

For example, Drawbaugh recommends riders stop for a potato burger on their way up to Boyne at the Railside Bar and Grill on C-32 between Gaylord and US 131. He says, "A truly delightful lady named Ma, who comes from a family of 23 kids, had run the place for over 25 years and sold it last year. She specially designed the potato burger. It will give you lots of energy for Saturday's ride."

For the same folks, a good night's sleep is recommended, but the rest party at Zoo Bar with a band until the wee hours. The good news is that the ride doesn't start at the crack of dawn. Entrants who pay \$45 in advance or \$55 at the site have until 11 a.m. to pick up their registration packets that entitle them to lunch at the Legs Inn at Cross Village, an Arnold Ferry ride across to Mackinac Island and a sag wagon in case they have mechanical trouble. The ride takes six to seven hours, not

counting stops, and there is no organized start. A truck transports small bags to the Arnold South dock at Mackinaw City. A canoe livery service offers shuttles for those who want to leave their cars at Mackinaw City.

For folks not up to 51 miles on a hard bicycle saddle, there are Zoo-De-Legs or Legs-De-Mackinac options that are about half as long. Most of the riders come from the Midwest, but one came all the way from Australia, and there are a number of Grosse Pointers who do the trip.

P.J. Veltri and Jeff Beattie, North seniors; Katie Levan, a South freshman; and Beatrice Tepel, of the Woods, all rode the entire 51 miles. Amy Veltri, a North sophomore, and Megan Vetri, a Monteith fourth-grader, rode the scenic first 35 miles of the route.

If you are interested in next year's event, you may contact

Drawbaugh at greg@zoo-de-mackinac.com, or look up the Zoo-de-Mackinac Web site.

Drawbaugh promises there is only one semi-killer hill on the route. (Having ridden that route a couple times, I can attest that as long as you have a good multi-speed bike, he is right.) Drawbaugh is the only one who has ridden in all 18 tours, and he said, "The day I can't ride is the day I don't do it any more."

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Points about the Pointes

We have shared libraries and schools... why not share our lakefront parks?



I was at the Woods Park on Memorial Day. What a gorgeous day it was. Kids were playing in the newly renovated pool and going down the water slide. The families who weren't picnicking were heading out on Lake St. Clair in their boats to enjoy the beautiful weather.

As I wandered along the boardwalk, it dawned on me that I had not been to the other four lakefront parks we have in years. Sure, my kids go with their friends and their families once in a while. Without a park pass, I had no

way to get into any of the other parks to enjoy them as well.

Most private clubs have reciprocal agreements with other private clubs around the country to offer their members limited rights to use other clubs. It seems to me that a limited access pass that would allow all of us in the Pointes to enjoy each other's parks makes a lot of sense. After all, we do share our libraries and our schools, and that seems to work just fine. What do you think?

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

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LETTERS:
Wake up
Grosse Pointe

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Please explain to us how playing tennis on a tennis court is an "unreasonable use of park equipment and facilities?"

Kathy Flynn teaches our children tennis at our request. She is not running a "program," nor is she advertising or soliciting students. She is a local wife and mother teaching children, all Grosse Pointe Park residents. Every child comes in (often riding their bikes or walking) with their own park pass. Isn't this what the use of Patterson Park (the "passive" park) is all about?

As residents, homeowners and taxpayers in the City of Grosse Pointe Park we are asking again, since our calls and letters have gone unanswered, that we be allowed to use our parks and our tennis courts for our children.

Once again, we await a reply.

DR. AND MRS. MARWAN
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PEGGY SHINE
Grosse Pointe Park

Unnecessary library

To the Editor:

Slumber on Grosse Pointers while your unelected library board moves to add an unnecessary new library to an already adequate library system with or without your approval and consent. Apparently, no one is concerned about the tens of thousands of dollars that these unelected officials are spending on architects, consultants, advisors, etc. on this Central Library project. I hear that they have hired a millage consultant so that they can find the best way to add to your already high real estate taxes.

Most people do not know that this unelected board (appointed by the Grosse Pointe School Board) is really not accountable to anyone. They get a portion of our real estate taxes and apparently can spend it any way that they want with or without our consent and/or approval. Reasonable minds might conclude that some sort of advisory vote be obtained from the community-at-large before this multi-multi-million dollar project goes forward. I suggested in a prior letter that if they have so much money, why don't they help out our cash-strapped schools by taking over all of the school libraries thereby relieving our schools of that expense in

these days of budget problems and deficits. And while we're talking about schools, what is the school board doing with respect to the actions of this library board that they appointed?

Look at your tax bill and see how much of your taxes are being paid for library purposes and are being spent by this unelected library board — no accountability to anyone much less to you. I would like to think we live in a democracy and it seems that it would be democratic to let the Grosse Pointe taxpayers vote on the need for the expenditure of millions of their tax dollars on this ill-advised project, not to mention the tens of thousands of dollars presently being spent in the preliminary stages on all of the plans, architects, engineers, consultants, managers, etc.

Wake up Grosse Pointe before you see more unnecessary library taxes on your tax bill.

JOHN B. LIZZA
Grosse Pointe Shores

Utilizing retired staff

To the Editor:

Why wouldn't we use the expertise of retired staff when we can hire them back as contracted employees and then not have to pay the almost 18 percent state-mandated retirement rate?

Lee Warras is a perfect example. He offered to retire as a way to provide the district significant savings, even including his one-time buyout cost. His knowledge of our technology, curriculum, assessment and summer school programs is a great strength as departments have consolidated or been eliminated with budget cuts.

We still strive to develop upcoming leaders in many ways such as our Galileo teacher leadership program and principals and academics.

However, sometimes we do not have qualified internal applicants for positions such as a curriculum specialist.

Such positions require an intricate knowledge of both the state guidelines and our district content expectations and systems. When we do not have an applicant for these positions, we consider ourselves fortunate to hire former administrators at a teacher rate, as we did with Glenn Croydon, and meet the learning needs of our students while being fiscally responsible.

DR. SUSAN ALLAN
Grosse Pointe Public Schools
Assistant Superintendent of
Curriculum, Assessment,
Instruction, and Technology

Response regarding
Ruga

To the Editor:

Barb Ruga has a track record of settling contracts.

As a member of our legal counsel Clark Hill, PLC, she is well acquainted with the needs and financial realities of our district.

While Ruga lives on the other side of the state, she charges mileage from Clark Hill's Bloomfield Hills office where she regularly does business and minimizes costs for her expertise by conducting business via phone, e-mail and letter whenever possible.

As I transition into the district's lead role in labor relations, I appreciate her insight

and continuity. We are all working to sign a contract agreement that is in the best interest of the district staff, our youngsters, and the learning community.

THOMAS HARWOOD
Grosse Pointe Public Schools
Assistant Superintendent,
Human Resources and Labor
Relations

Public opinion

To the Editor:

Are Grosse Pointe residents aware that a certain contingent on the Grosse Pointe school board wants to hand their privilege of the selection of members of the Grosse Pointe Library Board over to the municipal governments?

This determination contradicts the express mandate of a large number of voters that the Grosse Pointe school board members be elected by the people that they serve.

Is it not in the public interest to take time to assess the worth of these alternatives:

◆ Selection by government patronage

◆ Selection by voter election

Is the public going to speak on this issue before time runs out and options have disappeared? After all, members of the Grosse Pointe School Board are easy to contact.

MARY DAAS
Grosse Pointe Woods

Eye openers

To the Editor:

The Grosse Pointe News printed two letters in the May 31 edition, both of which were real eye openers.

First, in an e-mail to teachers just prior to spring break, the superintendent informed teachers that they would have to "pay to plug," meaning if they had appliances of any kind in their classrooms, they would have to pay to plug them in.

Several elementary teachers have provided small dorm-sized refrigerators (at their own expense) in which to keep juice and sugar-free Jello squares (also at their own expense) for first graders who were making the transition from half days to full days and extended latch key days, and many classroom teachers provide storage for small snacks and orange juice (with parental permission) for students with hypoglycemia and other conditions.

Without school nurses, educators are taking on more responsibility for student welfare. The e-mail indicated that "no stone would be left unturned" in an effort to cut costs and that by paying to plug faculty members could "save a teacher."

In order to further save money, the school system announced that administrators have agreed to a pay freeze for one year; that three administrative specialists will return to the classroom at their administrative pay, and that two "retired" administrators will continue to be paid top dollar.

Further, staff contracts in the Grosse Pointe School System have historically been negotiated by two teams: a team of four teachers which includes the GPEA president and three other classroom teachers representing the concerns of elementary, middle school, and secondary school teachers; and an administrative team which includes the director of personnel and three administrators who represent concerns across the K-12 and special education spectrum.

Teams have worked in this fashion for more than 30 years without remuneration for their time at this task. The school system also keeps on retainer the legal services of a firm they have trusted for many years.

Why, then, has an attorney from the western side of our state with no significant knowledge of Grosse Pointe Schools been hired to negotiate a new contract, and at such expense?

This has not been done in comparable school systems like Birmingham, Troy, and Bloomfield Hills, and certainly not in a school system where teachers are true professionals and have not only masters degrees, but degree work and experience matching that of many administrators.

Yet, in these financially diffi-

cult times, little effort is made to hire and train administrators from within the system, and funds are used for extensive interviewing in nation-wide searches.

No movement has been made by the board to restructure the secondary school day to cut costs. Only one plan was submitted, twice. No alternatives to consider a block schedule or return to a six period day have been considered.

If the Board of Education intends to leave "no stone unturned" in cutting costs, if considerable cost reductions have been made with regard to school librarians and nurses, to custodial and engineering staff, to support staff, including hall monitors and security personnel, and class sizes become larger (32 in an advanced placement course), then under which unturned stone are funds to be provided for this special attorney/negotiator?

LINDA BANOVEITZ
Grosse Pointe Farms

Tips from the
Kitchen

To the Editor:

If our nations' leaders could, or would, try to manage our government, as we the people are encouraged to do, they might pick up some valuable pointers from those who toil at home in the kitchen. They might provide insight in solving our border problem. The cook would never start mopping the floor before shutting off the water. And, would never bake a cake from scratch by dumping all of the recipe's components into the bowl at once, without blending the ingredients gradually into the mixture.

The desired result should be a smooth, uniform batter. Too many cooks have had a bad rap for a long time.

It's too many power hungry, disemboweled politicians who are spoiling things. Did you hear seven of the eight Democratic candidates agree English should be recognized as the national language, but not the official language because it would be divisive.

What rubbish.

RICHARD R. ROYER
Grosse Pointe Farms

Teaching is more
than summers off

To the Editor:

I feel compelled to address the letter titled "Dedicated Teachers and Instructors" by Dr. Janice Pemberton featured in your May 31 edition.

I am a Grosse Pointe South graduate, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident and a Grosse Pointe public schools first-grade teacher. Teaching was a career I chose for one reason: I wanted to make a difference in the lives of children each and every year. Never once did it cross my mind that I should choose teaching for the summers off (I actually work all summer tutoring) and "given vacations."

Most of the teachers I know spend their summers in ways that continue to benefit our youth, such as tutoring, leading book clubs, attending workshops and conferences, taking graduate classes, teaching summer school and reading about the latest educational trends. I can't think of one colleague for whom the summer does not involve educational work.

Dr. Pemberton implies that teaching is easier and less stressful than other professions. She notes that many teachers choose teaching after experiencing burnout in their original chosen fields. What could be more important (and stressful) than being entrusted with the social, emotional, and academic needs of many children (each with very different requirements) each year? There are very few jobs that carry such weight.

The author goes on to state that many teachers choose education as a "softer" field of study." She states that she "know[s] what she's talking about" because she has worked in public schools and in college settings.

While I obviously cannot speak to her experience, my personal experiences have been significantly different. As a graduate from the University

of Michigan's school of education, with a major in early childhood education, I was required to complete 141 credits to graduate with a bachelor's degree — a full 21 credits more than my peers pursuing other fields of study. I was required to take classes that were not in any way affiliated with the school of education. I was in the same classes as those studying physics, chemistry, engineering, mathematics and the like.

While nearly every teacher I know has a master's degree or higher, few of my friends who work in high-powered corporate jobs see the need for graduate degrees in their fields. Further, few of my cohorts in other fields participate in any type of continuing education or training post-graduation.

I also find fault with Dr. Pemberton's argument that a teacher should be paid based on his or her performance. Needless to say, not every classroom has a commensurate student population. As a teacher with a master's in special education, I enjoy working with all kinds of learners in my classroom. Should I receive less pay if I have some students in my classroom who don't perform well on standardized tests?

I work hard to challenge those who need the push and provide extra support to those who need additional practice. Should I only work to teach the students who I know are good test-takers? Paying teachers based on performance would be a disservice to students, their parents and the communities in which these children live.

It would also encourage teachers and their evaluators to emphasize only standardized learning and to ignore all of the important unquantifiable learning that takes place in our classrooms daily. Teaching sharing, compassion, responsibility, independence, and good work habits are all integral parts of education that cannot be tested like spelling, math and reading.

Unfortunately for Dr. Pemberton, it seems she and I have few shared experiences. I only hope that at some point, she has the opportunity to work with one of the many talented, experienced, selfless, caring and intelligent teachers throughout our district. I have no doubt that a classroom visit would prompt her to reevaluate her negative perceptions of teachers and the profession of education.

HOLLY BENDURE
Grosse Pointe Farms

School trimesters
and privatization

To the Editor:

I would like to commend the Grosse Pointe Board of Education for listening to the concerned parents of this district on two big issues.

The first issue, privatization of the Grosse Pointe Public School System custodial services. The custodians should be thanked for making the big concessions they did in their contracts, saving the district more than \$400,000.

The school board listened to the concerned parents of this district, and stopped a move towards privatization of our custodians, which I am convinced would have been a disaster for our district.

The second issue, the implementation of trimesters at the high school level.

Both of these issues are budget driven. We are all aware of what tough times these are for public education, Grosse Pointe and Michigan.

However, making rash decisions for budget reasons that would have a long-term negative impact on our school system would be foolish.

The school board is proceeding with caution on both of these issues and rightfully so. It is harder to rebuild programs than it is to keep a standard of excellence that has taken many years to build.

I am greatly relieved that our district has retained our custodians, who know our children, and know our old buildings. These are people who live in our community, many who have grown up here, and we are grateful to have them.

Having consistent faces in

our buildings and not a constant turnover of employees makes a big difference in our schools.

On the second issue of trimesters, I just want to again say a big thank you to the school board for holding off on implementing such an extreme schedule change.

The board has used caution and listened to the many parents and faculty in the school district that are very concerned about such a radical change in the high school schedule.

The trimester schedule, while it does have advantages, will cause a great many problems in our district.

The committee that recommended the trimester option to the district, was not unanimous. There are some major concerns.

First, the districts that the committee studied are not necessarily an "apples to apples" comparison to Grosse Pointe.

Second, the trimester system will wreak havoc on our high achievers. According to statistics presented at one of the parent informational meetings on the high school schedule that I attended, more than 50 percent of all our high school students district-wide take AP classes.

With a trimester system, we were told that several of the AP classes would have to run all year, as opposed to two trimesters. That would cut options for our advanced students.

With classes in music, art and journalism running all year as well, our students would have far less options with a five period a day trimester system.

All the students from both North and South who participate in the choir, band, orchestra, yearbook, Tower newspaper and art classes would see their choices reduced with a trimester system. Our students would either have to reduce the number of AP classes in their schedules or drop out of the choir, or the Tower, or art class, etc.

The next problem the trimester schedule presents is that the AP exams are given in May. Students in AP classes running only two trimesters would finish those classes in March, and then take the exams in May, all the while trying to keep up with an entirely new set of classes.

The final problem that I haven't seen addressed, is that with a trimester system, final exams would fall at the end of all three athletic seasons. This would put an entirely new stress on our many student athletes as they would be forced to study and take final exams at the very time the athletic teams are stressed competing in conference and state finals.

The one fact that hasn't been publicized much in regards to the trimester system, is that it has been presented as a way to more efficiently use time in the high school day, saving money.

In our current seven-period day, teachers at both North and South teach five out of seven periods a day as mandated by their contracts. We could keep our seven-period day and make it more efficient if teachers made the concession to teach six out of seven periods.

Right now, teachers have one planning period, plus the expensive and inefficient tutorial period. Many teachers have only a handful of kids in their tutorial section, and most teachers use that session as planning time.

As a former education major, and the daughter of two teachers, I am most appreciative and supportive of teachers.

Many of our wonderful teachers live within our district. I would hope that those same teachers would be willing to make concessions in the effort to keep the standards in our district high. Only with an excellent school district will our property values stay strong.

I would hate to think that it is only the custodians of this district that should be forced into large budget concessions.

Thank you to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education for not making a rash decision, and trying to preserve our quality education as long as possible.

LISA PAPAS
City of Grosse Pointe

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Beware: grass will be cut

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Yard work has brought Grosse Pointe Woods City Attorney Chip Berschback indoors.

He has been working on cleaning up city ordinances pertaining to weeds, brush and grass.

Council is expected to approve the ordinance at a future meeting.

"Given the recent rise in foreclosures, we started to see a slight rise in the number of houses where the grass hasn't been cut and the property not taken care of," Berschback said. "In the past, we would have one or two houses each year where the grass wasn't cut, but now the unoccupied houses are not being cared for, which means the grass is not being cut."

"This (ordinance) just makes it clearer, allowing the city to enter a property and cut the grass or abate other nuisances."

A separate proposed ordinance would codify the procedures for placing leins on properties for work performed by the city to abate nuisances for code violations, he added.

Berschback has been doing his homework by studying other city ordinances, taking a little information from here and there to create a concrete ordinance that covers all aspects.

The new ordinance permits grass to be five inches in height. Once it reaches six

inches in height and isn't mowed in an appropriate time frame, the homeowner will be charged for the service performed by the Department of Public Works.

It is the resident's responsibility to maintain their property, which includes the grass, shrubs and weeds.

Below is a list of how the city defines such words:

◆ Brush includes the dense, wild and unkempt growth of bushes or shrubs or trees growing in thick profusion as well as a pile of lopped or broken branches or brushwood.

◆ Grass includes common grasses and turf, groundcovers intended to perform functions similar to grasses and turf, but does not include ornamental grasses clearly used for traditional landscaping purposes.

◆ Owner includes the person or entity indicated on the city tax rolls or other city records, an agent of the owner, an occupant or tenant, a land contract vendor or vendee, a person or entity claiming a possessory interest in the property, or a mortgagee if foreclosure proceedings are pending or completed.

◆ Weeds include Canada thistle, doddies, wild carrot, bindweed, perennial sowthistle, hoary alyssum, ragweed, poison ivy, poison sumac, milkweed, oxeye daisies, or other similar or like weeds or plants which constitute a common nuisance.

If the property owner does not pay the fee, it can be placed on the tax roll.



Arbor Day tradition

Grosse Pointe Park City Forester Brian Colter, left, along with students from Trombley Elementary School, commemorated Arbor Day by planting a flowering plum tree. Arbor Day in Michigan is observed on the last Friday of April.

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Climate control a reality

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Residents using the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center will be comfortable all year long.

Its current heating and cooling system has been ineffective for the past couple of years and employees and residents had enough.

The city will purchase a new heating and cooling system from K & S Ventures Inc. for \$38,608. City Council unanimously approved the purchase.

"Residents have noticed the center is either too hot or too cold and have made me aware of it," councilmember Vicki Granger said. "The center is overdue for a new system."

Woods Director of Public Works Joe Ahee said the old system was installed in 1990 when the community center wing was built.

"It worked fine until a few years ago when problems

'Residents have noticed the center is either too hot or too cold and have made me aware of it. The center is overdue for a new system.'

VICKI GRANGER,
Woods councilmember

started to arise," Ahee said. "The inability to control the heat or air when it is running is caused by certain parts on the system that are no longer working. Along with replacing parts, a controller will be added so that the system can be monitored via computer."

"This will allow for troubleshooting the system by computer and determining when a service call is needed, eliminating unnecessary service expenses."

The new automation system will include a Tridium FX40 controller along with new hot and cold water valves and modulating actuators, new mixed air damper actuators, new low voltage control transformers, temperature sensors and control relays.

Ahee said the tridium controls are simple and easy to use for operators, accessible by computer, can provide alarms via e-mail and cell

phone, and works with most controllers.

The other bidders, Engineered Comfort Systems Inc., Benham Co.,

Temperature Engineering Corp. and R.W. Mead Co., couldn't produce a system with as many features for the price.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Lot 2 & 3 forum a hit

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

Dozens of City of Grosse Pointe residents, merchants and property owners showed up Wednesday, May 30 to view a comprehensive presentation of the three redevelopment plans submitted to the city by developers.

City manager Peter Dame, who orchestrated the demonstration which included 3-D displays, said the plans were met with enthusiasm.

"Reaction to the use of the 3-D models was extremely positive," he said. "It really helps one visualize how the project will look."

City officials are encouraging those who didn't attend the community forum to visit the city's Web site at grossepointemi.us.

The city has posted all three proposals for review and download.

"(In addition) people can download the workshop comment form as well," Dame said. "The city is asking for people to turn in workshop comment forms by Monday, June 11 so that the results can be compiled as part of the staff report and analysis of the projects that will be presented to the city council for review and public hearing in July."

The city has been exploring the redevelopment of Lots 2

and 3 north of Kercheval for the last couple of years. Earlier this spring, the city received three modified proposals for the parking lots. Two of the proposals feature a mixed use of commercial, office, retail and parking. One presentation calls for a supermarket to be built on Lot 2 between St. Clair and Notre Dame.

"I believe that the people who attended the city's Lot 2 and 3 workshop were generally pleased and enthusiastic about the potential for the village district," said Councilman Chris Walsh. "Many folks commented that the involvement of the residents in concert with the staff of the city was a very refreshing approach to the issue."

City officials did not allow the developers to present their plans in hopes of it being an unbiased presentation.

"The three dimensional PowerPoint presentations were very impressive," Walsh said. "Personally, I think that if residents go to the city's Web site, and hit the link to the lot development, and then the link to the video presentation and 3-D models, they too will be very impressed."

"These videos will give residents a thorough overview of the proposals, and in turn, will create a positive buzz about the potential developments for the Village district."

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

City puts costs on taxes

Grosse Pointe Woods residents who have outstanding statements with the city will see that total placed on their summer tax roll.

More than two dozen individuals were assessed a total of \$8,383.29 for delinquent sidewalk and grass cutting invoices.

"The residents get notices about these payments," City Administrator Mark Wollenweber said. "When the payments aren't received, the amount is placed on that individual's summer taxes."

City Council unanimously approved placing the invoices on the residents' taxes after the individuals were notified.

Department of Public Works employees had to cut the grass at five residences, taking them away from their regularly scheduled duties.

Monday, Sept. 17, is the last day Woods residents can pay summer taxes without paying a penalty.

Residents may pay their summer taxes after Sept. 17, but with a penalty.

— Bob St. John

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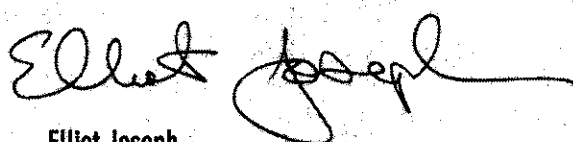
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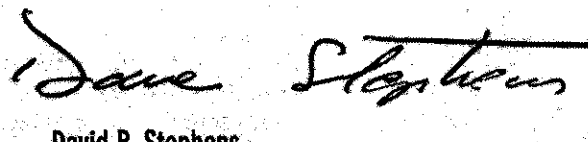
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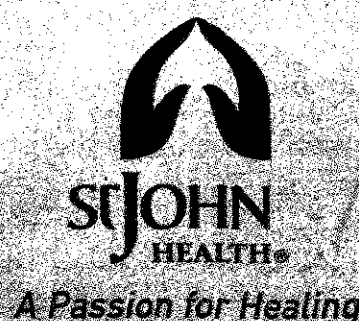
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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Science books ready for fall

Curriculum specialists didn't have to look far to find textbooks for next year's seventh grade honors science classes.

When classes begin in the fall, students will be studying from a book already in the Grosse Pointe public school district inventory.

It's on the reading list for ninth-graders. The only difference is that books have been updated.

"Biology — Exploring Life Inside Earth," 200 copies of which will be obtained, is presently used in biology courses at North and South High.

The book, published by Prentice Hall, costs \$54 for a total district outlay of \$10,800.

Another textbook, "Physical Science," published by Glencoe, has been approved for eighth-grade honors science.

The book focuses on concepts in physics and aligns with the present high school physics text and new curriculum, said district administrators.

"Physical Science" costs \$63.99 each. Some 200 copies are being acquired for a total cost, including shipping, of \$12,319. Twenty copies are being given to the district for free.

New texts are needed for the district's recently approved grades seven and eight honors science curriculum.

The two titles were selected by 12 middle school and high school teachers serving on an honors science committee.

Committee members include four Brownell Middle School teachers, three from Parcels, two from Pierce, two from North High and one from South.

Don Pata, a science teacher at North and member of the committee, said the books were chosen because they addressed district benchmarks and content expectations for high school.

Pata noted that the district doesn't teach physical science at high school.

Rather, the core high school science track starts with earth science in ninth grade, biology in 10th grade, then chemistry and physics.

Board members could have approved the new books in April but wanted to wait and review them first.

A decision was needed so books can be ordered in time for teachers to start planning the new courses before the end of the academic year.

—Brad Lindberg

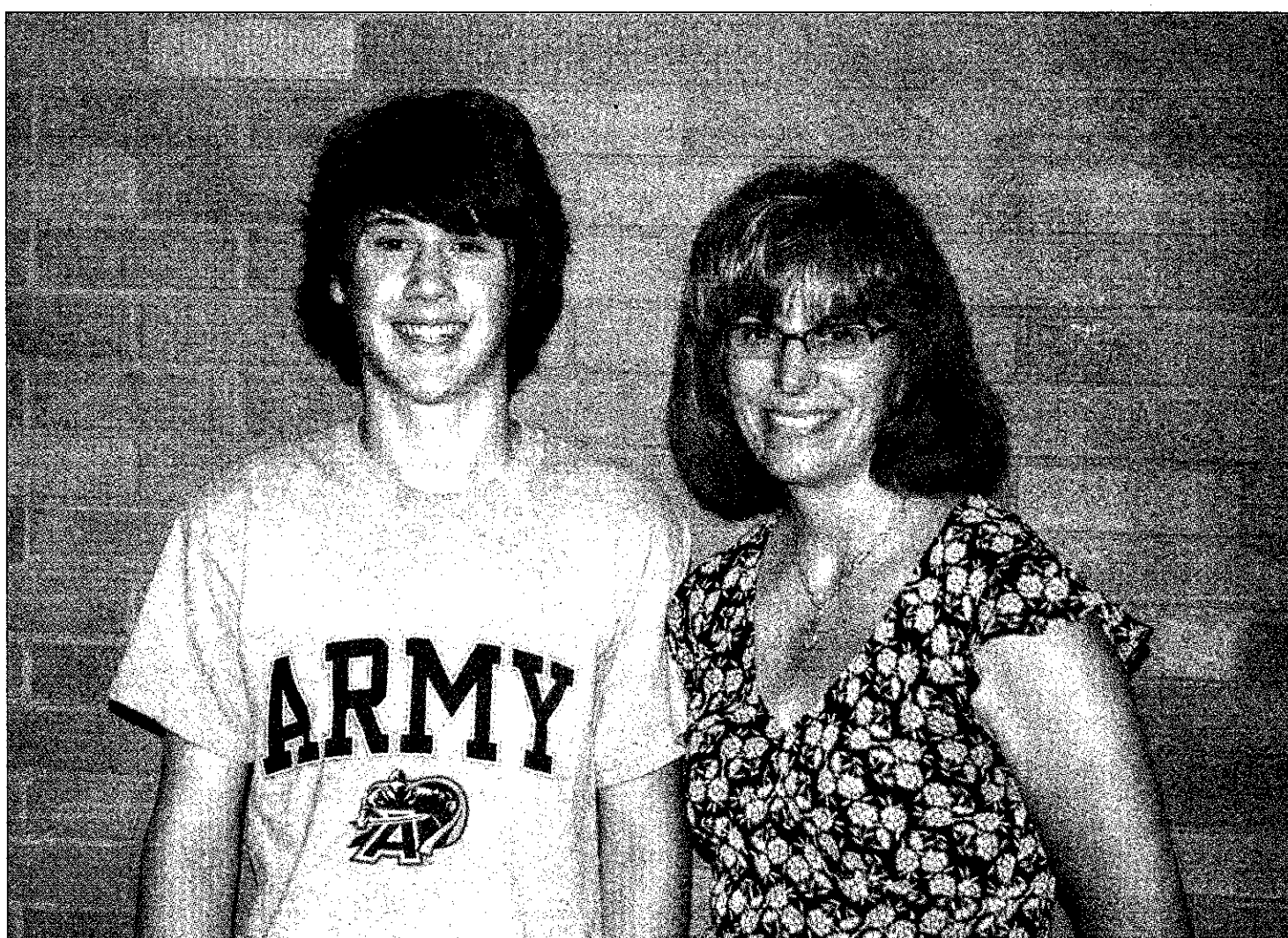


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Donating time

Zac Hicks, a 14-year-old eighth grade student at Brownell Junior High, has donated his time and gave up taking elective classes to assist music teacher, Julie Peltó, with her special needs music class. "I volunteered with Mrs. Peltó's class because I really like working with the kids and think it's important to help others," Hicks said. "Getting to know the kids and just being with them are what I enjoy most. The kids have made me realize how lucky I am and that it's a privilege to help others." "Zac's personal commitment to the students in this class is a joy to observe," Peltó said. "His dedication to the class has made my job easier. Zac has even traveled with the students to various field trips throughout the year."

Hicks is pictured with Peltó.

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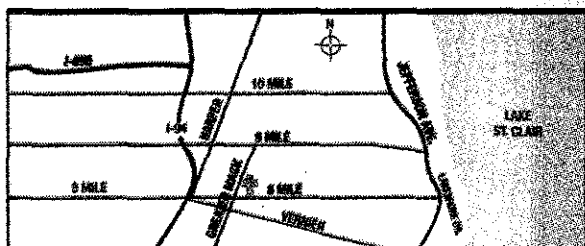
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Students prepare Mexican cuisine

James Fisher's fourth grade classroom at Monteith Elementary School was transformed May 4 into Montexico, a Mexican restaurant ready to serve staff and invited guests.

Fisher trained students to run every aspect of the restaurant, from designing menus, setting tables and decorating the classroom.

Students worked as hosts, servers, chefs, bartenders, busboys and cashiers.

Each child could invite guests, which brought the number of people served to

nearly 200.

Carry-out service was offered to Monteith staff.

Guests included Superintendent Suzanne Klein, Assistant Superintendent Susan Allan and Monteith Principal Chet Bauer.

Montexico was intended as a real life experience to enhance the students' economics unit. Each child put up collateral for a loan from their parents, which will be paid back with interest, to finance start-up costs.

Under the direction of room moms Rachelle Koester and Julie Miller, parents bought supplies and volunteered as assistants.

Many area businesses donated to Montexico, including Village Grill, Farms Fresh Market, National Coney Island, La Cina, Atlanta Bread Company, Village Food Market, Woods Wholesale Wine, Poncho & Cisco, Alexander & Polen Meat Market, Mr. C's Deli, Mexican Village and Merit Woods Pharmacy.



Pictured top is James Fisher's class willing and ready to dish out the Mexican dishes they produced. Above, super service was the order of the day at Montexico. Shown clockwise from bottom left are Ingrid Carabulea, third grade; Pete Koester, father of Mark and Nick Koester, head chef and head host; Michael Gazzarato, fourth grade; Katie Roy, fourth grade waitress; and Tom Teutsch, grandfather to Mark and Nick Koester.



Donates cookie revenue

Members of Brownie/Girl Scout Troop No. 3090 from Richard Elementary donated part of their cookie sale revenue to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society and Special Kids. The girls donated \$150 to the animal group to help pay veterinary bills. Special Kids has special meaning to the girls. The girls gave Special Kids more than 30 boxes of cookies and an "I Love Girl Scout Cookies" cookie jar in memory of Clare Walsh, who was active in the organization. "Special Kids was an integral part of Clare's life," said troop leader Lisa Roma. Clare was sister to former troop member Molly Walsh. Shown at right are the girls; Lynn Carpenter, adoption society board member; and Jack Roma, son of troop leader Roma, who said her son "is a trooper, in that he comes to our meetings and is my special helper."

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

New math texts for middle school

A new series of textbooks has been approved for the district's middle school math curriculum.

Books were selected after being used in pilot programs conducted by teachers in Grosse Pointe's three middle schools.

Jennifer Schaupeter, a Pierce Middle School teacher and math curriculum specialist, said publishers are augmenting the titles with support material, such as compact discs and online Internet access.

Schaupeter was among 10 teachers who piloted the books as part of a special committee.

Total cost for the purchases is \$125,624. New books are:

◆ Sixth grade — "Mathematics Course 1," published this year by Holt.

"This book appropriately addresses the new curriculum with little supplementation needed," according to an evaluation by Schaupeter and Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum. "The online resources for teachers, parents and students are superb and a particular advantage of this program."

◆ Seventh grade — "Mathematics Course 2," published this year by Holt.

"Supplementation is needed in the algebra strand for teaching linear functions," according to the evaluation.

◆ Eighth grade — "Pre-Algebra," published by Glencoe, dated 2008.

"Technology is integrated throughout the course," according to the recommendation. "Supplementation is needed in the algebra strand for teaching non-linear func-

tions. The online resources for teachers, parents and students are superb and a particular advantage of this program."

Two years ago, a K-12 district mathematics committee was formed to revise the district's math curriculum following new grade level content expectations required by the state.

In March 2006, Grosse Pointe school officials approved a new K-8 curriculum for implementation the following September.

Implementation began with older textbooks. Although newer books were on the market, they didn't meet updated state requirements.

"In order to conserve resources and use funds wisely, supplemental materials were provided, but middle school teachers began the implementation with older books," said Allan.

The search for new books continued as new titles became available.

"Extensive research was done to select two series (of books) that had best teaching practices and met Grosse Pointe's new rigorous curriculum," Allan said. "Teachers involved in writing the curriculum helped choose the books to pilot."

Piloting took place during the second and third quarters of the academic year.

"Feedback was gathered throughout the pilot period through online surveys, e-mail and meetings," Allan said. "All pilot teachers met to discuss their experiences from the different companies."

—Brad Lindberg

GROSSE POINTE NORTH CHOIR

Students earn ensemble honor

Below is a list of the students at Grosse Pointe North High School who participated in the Michigan School Vocal Music Association State Solo and Ensemble competition in April.

Those receiving 1st division ratings for ensembles were: Pointe Choral, ensemble of Andrea Koueiter, Rochelle Krawetz, Ana Meda, and Alyssa Scalvini, Duets: Ana Meda and Sasha Allaer. Soloists: Lindsay Cameron, Wesley Channell, Alaina Whitney, Ana Meda, Matt Gielegem, Jim Stano, James

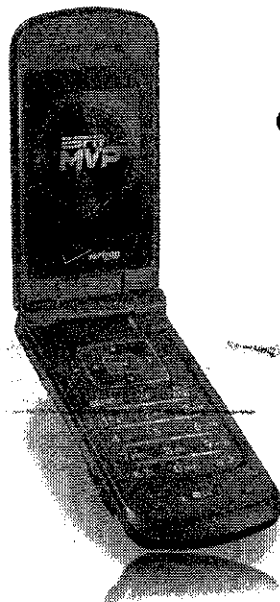
Pecar, and Joanna Harr.

Those receiving 2nd Division ratings were Ensembles: Acappella, Choraliers, ensemble of Myra Lamphier, Sarah Jes Austell, and Kristine Minturn. Duets: Claire Tallerico and Celeste Bens, Matthew Romanelli and Allyssa Scalvini, Alex Brennan and Ana Meda. Soloists were: Sasha Allaer, Alyssa Scalvini, Matthew Vengalil, Nathan Strickland, Erin O'Donnell, Natalie Hogan, Nick Doyle, Becky Dennis, Jack Martin and Kylie Hess.

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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.

Kyle Edward Bauer

Kyle Edward Bauer, 38, formerly of Grosse Pointe, died Tuesday, May 22, 2007 at his home in Sheboygan, Wis.

He was born Feb. 5, 1969 in California.

Mr. Bauer was a 1987 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School. During his school years he enjoyed soccer and BMX racing. He sang with the Wasatch Academy choir at the Mormon Tabernacle.

He attended Kalamazoo Valley Community College and moved to Steamboat Springs, Colo., to continue studying restaurant management.

In 1991, Mr. Bauer opened his first restaurant, Chelsea's, in Oak Creek, Colo.

While in Colorado, he met Sheboygan native, Laura Stayer. They became parents together and relocated to Sheboygan in 2003.

In April, 2007, Mr. Bauer opened That Place On 8th in Sheboygan.

An avid skier, he participated in the National Pro Mogul tour and was victorious at the Steamboat Springs' St. Patrick's Day Chute Bump-Off. Above all, he found his greatest joy in teaching his sons, Owen and Ethan, to ski.

His family describes him as "entrepreneurial in life and a free spirit that made him universally loved as a caring, generous and trusted friend. He was a dedicated, loving, and 'fun-time' father."

Mr. Bauer is survived by his parents, Dan (Nancy) Bauer of Charlottesville, Va., and Elizabeth Jane (Dale) Snow of Portage; brother, Christopher Bauer of Chicago; sons, Owen Edward Bauer and Ethan Albert Bauer, and their mother

Laura Stayer; step-sisters, Cheryl (Joseph Tieu) Snow of St. Charles, Mo., Betty Jo (Christopher) Caldwell of Kalamazoo, Trina Nelson of Charlottesville, Va., and Mary Beth (Bill) Pierce of Portland, Ore.; and many other relatives and friends.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, May 26, 2007, in Sheboygan.

A memorial fund has been established in his name.

Condolences can be sent online at support@ball-hornechapels.com

Mary Jane McClure Combrinck-Graham

Former longtime Grosse Pointe resident, Mary Jane McClure Combrinck-Graham, 86, died on Wednesday, May 30, 2007 in Gwynedd, Pa.

Jane, as she preferred to be called, led a life of performance. She began her theatrical career as a frequent voice on The Green Hornet and The Lone Ranger radio dramas.

After spending several years in New York pursuing acting and modeling, she returned to Grosse Pointe to co-found the Grosse Pointe Community Theatre. At the theater she performed in many plays and musicals.

Later, she worked in fine arts and theatre arts for more than 40 years.

Her daughter, Jane Combrinck-Graham, recalls her lead in "Eleanor of Aquitaine" among her most memorable roles, where Mrs. McClure Combrinck-Graham was on stage continuously for each of the three acts, never missing a word of dialogue.

She attended Georgetown Visitation, a junior college in Washington D.C. where she wrote and performed.

In addition, she also pursued drawing and painting. Her children recall that when their mother was not rehearsing for a play, she was bringing home hand made crafts or dragging them off to the latest exhibitions at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

She married Arnold Mills Combrinck-Graham, Jr. (Jack) in 1952.

Before leaving Grosse Pointe in 2001 for Foulkeways, Pa., she celebrated 60 years as a member of Ibex, a women's organization devoted to fine arts, dance, drama, literature, and music through lectures, field trips and workshops.

Following her husband's death, she traveled extensively. She particularly enjoyed the lecture-based trips arranged by the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association.

She pursued her life-long passion for bridge until only a year before her death. Her only regret was that she failed to see any of her children or grandchildren embrace her love for the game.

She is survived by her children, Jane and John; and grandchildren Krisztine, Ian,

Tyler, and Hailey.

She was predeceased by her husband, Arnold Mills Combrinck-Graham, Jr.

Donations may be made in Mrs. McClure Combrinck-Graham name to Ibex, or Georgetown Visitation, 1524 Thirty-Fifth Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20007-2785.

Janet Ganem

Grosse Pointe resident, Janet Ganem, 78, died Thursday, May 31, 2007.

Mrs. Ganem was the daughter of Fadel Ganem who opened Detroit's first Lebanese restaurant in 1940. She prided herself as having spoken with hundreds of local, national, and international officials who visited the restaurant.

Following her father's death, Mrs. Ganem and her sister, Esther Michael, ran the family business under a partnership.

She was an active member of St. Maron's Roman Catholic Church, St. Anthony's Society, and Danny Thomas' ALSAC, the financially supportive organization that works with the children's hospital in Memphis provides free medical care to children struggling with cancer.

Mrs. Ganem is survived by her husband, Fuad Ganem; sisters, Esther Michael, Isabel (Paul) Saigh, and Leila Ganem (Richard) Fuher; brother, Philip (Charlotte) Ganem; 10 nieces and nephews, and 15 great-nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held on Monday, June 4, at St. Maron Church in Detroit.

Carol Lee Grunow

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Carol Lee Grunow, 62, died Monday, May 28, 2007, at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

She was born Aug. 1, 1944 in Detroit, to Michael and Victoria Merna. She graduated from Wayne State University in 1966 with a degree in chemical engineering.

She married William H. Grunow on Aug. 1, 1997 in Warren.

Mrs. Grunow retired in 2006 after 35 years, most recently as a director and automotive engineer with Automotive Specialty Cars in Southgate. She was an active member of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Among her interests were photography, fly fishing, sailing and scuba diving.

She is survived by her husband, William H. Grunow; mother, Victoria Merna of Dearborn; sister, Linda (John) Trujillo of Livonia; and broth-

ers, Michael Merna of Dearborn, Dwayne (Helen Simko) Merna of Yorba Linda, Calif., and Joel (Patty) Merna of Dearborn.

She was predeceased by her father, Michael Merna.

A memorial service was held on Friday, June 1, at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942.

Dolores Dossin Lambert

Brighton resident, Dolores Dossin Lambert, 80, died Friday, June 1, 2007.

She was born in Detroit on Oct. 26, 1926 to Roy Lambert and Mary Dossin.

In 1944, she graduated from the University Liggett School. She is also a graduate of Ogontz school in Pennsylvania.

Her father, along with his brothers Walter and Russell, owned Dossin Food Products. They donated the Dossin's Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle where their boat, Miss Pepsi, is on display.

She was an active member of Oak Pointe Country Club, a past member of Bloomfield Open Hunt Club and a volunteer for St. Joseph Mercy Livingston American Red Cross. A loving lady, she gave her heart to many.

She is survived by her son, Robert (Sonja) Schultz of Clarkston; daughter, Mary (David) Hall of Grosse Ile; step-daughter, Lynda (Steven) Loupe of San Jose, Calif.; brothers, Robert (Francine) Dossin of St. Clair Shores and Richard (Elaine) Dossin of Grosse Pointe; friends Jean Urquhart of Brighton, Eileen Priske of Tiburon, Calif., and Pat Rugan of Gulf Shores, Ala. She is also survived by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her step-son, Robert Lambert Jr.

Services were held on Tuesday, June 5 at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church in Brighton. Interment is at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospice, 620 Byron Road, Howell, MI 48843.

Visit the online guest book at www.macdonaldsfuneral-home.com

Horst Rudolph Nardon

Former longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident, Horst Rudolph Nardon, 86, of Sun City West, Ariz. died Saturday, June 2, 2007 after a long struggle with cancer.

He was born Jan. 10, 1921 and moved to Arizona in 1995.

Mr. Nardon is survived by his children, Ericka Beardsley, Heidi Pallardy, and Rudy



Glennell H. Staats

Nardon; their spouses and seven grandchildren.

He will be sorrowfully missed and lovingly remembered.

Donations may be made to Hospice of the Valley, 9720 W. Peoria, Suite 128, Peoria, AZ 85345.

Glennell H. Staats

Grosse Pointe Woods resident, Glennell H. Staats, 97, died Friday, May 25, 2007.

She was born May 3, 1910 to Frank Whitehill and Flora Richardson in Negley, Ohio.

She attended secretarial school in East Liverpool, Ohio.

Mrs. Staats was a member of "Star Seniors" at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church and Grosse Pointe Woods Seniors. She enjoyed playing bridge, collecting tea pots, and spending time with her family.

Mrs. Staats is survived by her daughter, Alice M. Black; sons, William A. and Thomas A.; sister Louise; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Harold W. Staats, daughter, Carole Ann Oeltler, and sister, Eva.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 29. Interment is at Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. John Senior Community, 18300 E. Warren, Detroit 48224 or to Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Carolyn J. Waltz

Long time Grosse Pointe Park resident, Carolyn J. Waltz, 62, died Thursday, May



Carol Lee Grunow

24, 2007, at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

She was born June 27, 1944 to Edward S. and Ruth Waltz in Cleveland.

She received her master's degree from Wayne State University.

Ms. Waltz was a Spanish teacher at Mumford High School in Detroit.

She enjoyed reading and traveling, including the day trips offered through the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

She is survived by her sisters, Beverly S. Scmazzon, and Linda Hudec, along with many nephews and nieces including Evan Scmazzon of Grosse Pointe.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 9, at Our Lady of the Rosary, 5938 Woodward, Detroit. All are welcome to attend.

Donations can be given to Bob Morand at Our Lady of the Rosary, 5938 Woodward, Detroit, MI 48202, or to the United Negro College Fund, 8260 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, P.O. Box 10444, Fairfax VA, 22031-8044. They can also be made online at www.uncf.org.

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Gaffney office hours

State Rep. Edward Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, will meet with residents from 9 to 10 a.m., Monday, June 11, at the Grosse Pointe Farms city offices, 90 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"I would like to invite residents to join me at district office hours," said Gaffney. "I want to make sure I'm available locally to listen to any concerns and offer assistance. If you are unable to attend, please contact me at your convenience."

No appointment is necessary. Residents unable to meet Gaffney during the scheduled office hours can contact his Lansing office toll free at (888) 254-LAW1 or by e-mail at edwardgaffney@house.mi.gov.

— Beth Quinn

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will hold a public hearing under the provisions of Michigan Compiled Laws, Sections 125.3101 through 125.3702 as amended, to consider an amendment to the Zoning Map at a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The application is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and all interested persons are invited to attend. All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given opportunity for public comment. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk's office, up to the close of business preceding the hearing. A group spokesperson is encouraged on agenda items concerning organized groups. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office at 313 343 2440 seven days prior to the meeting:

A resolution to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods to rezone Mack Avenue from R-1C One-Family Residential to C Commercial for 20800 Mack Avenue, 20870 Mack Avenue, 1861 Hawthorne, 1978 Hawthorne and 1875 Hollywood.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 07/07/2007

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will hold a public hearing under the provisions of Michigan Compiled Laws, Sections 125.3101 through 125.3702 as amended, to consider amendments to Chapter 98 Zoning, at a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given opportunity for public comment. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk's office, up to the close of business preceding the hearing. A group spokesperson is encouraged on agenda items concerning organized groups. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office at 313 343 2440 seven days prior to the meeting:

An ordinance to amend the following sections of Chapter 98 Zoning in conjunction with the re-codification of the Grosse Pointe Woods Code.

- Sec. 98-1. Definitions. Update to commercial vehicle definition.
Sec. 50-373. Design Standards. New Design Standards Ordinance (DSO), updating requirements for exterior alterations.
98-147. Approval by Planning Commission. (R-3 District). Updates consistent with DSO (50-281).
Sec. 98-442. Site Plan Review. Updates consistent with DSO (50-34).
Sec. 98-274. Multiple Dwellings Generally. Updates consistent with DSO (50-316).
Sec. 98-275. Multiple Dwellings. Updates consistent with DSO (50-317).
Sec. 98-206. Change of Appearance of Building Exterior. Updates consistent with DSO (50-374).
Sec. 98-304. Design of Building Exteriors. Updates consistent with DSO (50-450).
Sec. 50-537. Portable Storage Units. New ordinance regulating personal storage units.
Sec. 98-538. Wireless Communications Facilities. Updates consistent with DSO (50-620).

Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 06/07/2007

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION OF T.N. THAI BISTRO FOR A TAVERN LICENSE

A public hearing will be held before the City Council on application of Tonblong Lee and Pader Yang for T.N. Thai Bistrot for issuance of a Tavern License permitting the sale of beer and wine for consumption on premises at 17100 Kercheval Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. Said hearing will take place on Monday, June 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 17147 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Mon.-Fri. 313-885-5800.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

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The all-new turbocharged 2007 Acura RDX is one of Acura's most powerful lineups ever. The RDX blends style, luxury, utility and super handling all-wheel drive in a technologically advanced vehicle.

The RDX is Acura's first crossover wagon

By Steve Schaefer
Autowire.net

The 2007 Acura RDX sporty wagon is focused like a laser at the so-called entry premium market, which is expected to grow five-fold in the next few years.

The new RDX starts with a distinctive appearance, which takes the tall-wagon shape and adds Acura-style edges and points from the brand's newest design language. Acura's first vehicle with standard 18-inch wheels and tires, the RDX flaunts a macho stance devoid of the stigma of working for a living. The RDX is for taking friends to the cabin at Lake Tahoe, not for hauling loads of gravel to the worksite. With its flat-folding rear seat and lift-gate you could haul a pretty good load of stuff if you wanted.

Every RDX comes with Acura's 2.3-liter first-ever turbocharged four-cylinder engine. This intercooled turbo cranks out a vigorous 240 horsepower and an even more remarkable 260 pound-feet of torque. Under the hood Acura provides a Variable Flow Turbo (VFT) and Variable Valve



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2007 Acura RDX.

Timing and Lift Electronic Control (VTEC), and Variable Timing Control (VTC). All of these acronyms represent the use of a sophisticated computer and sensors that evaluate the car's needs and make sure that the engine is providing whatever is necessary for performance, safety, and low emissions. The car leaps ahead effortlessly, so it must be doing its job.

Acura claims mileage of 19 city and 23 highway, but my weeklong test drive accumulated 16.9 miles per gallon. If you

want better mileage, there are a host of non-luxury crossovers with non-turbocharged fours that can do better, but you won't have as much fun driving them.

Acura offers only a five-speed automatic on the RDX, but it works well with the engine and can be shifted manually with steering wheel mounted paddles. These paddles have a precise, nicely weighted feel, but are nothing like a manual shifter, which you cannot have (and most buyers presumably don't

want).

Acura's Super Handling All-Wheel Drive system (SH-AWD) has been available in its cars for awhile, and now in the RDX provides safe traction while serving up generous portions of road feel and responsiveness. The SH-AWD system balances the torque load between the front and rear axles and also through the left and right rear wheels. The system reduces understeer (the tendency of a car to go straight in a turn) so steering chores are precise and easy.

My carbon gray pearl test car looked muscular but compact on the road compared to a traditional SUV. The laid-back windshield, raked sides, and tapered rear panel eliminated the boxy look and make the vehicle look like it's shearing through the air. Acura uses satin-finish trim rather than chrome outside, which is elegant and unusual. I was surprised how far the lower front panel was tucked under until I realized that despite the car's 65.5-inch overall height, the optical trick made the nose look lower and car like.

The gray, silver and taupe interior of my tester looked and felt upscale, and had a bit of

whiz-bang styling that created a mood of adventure and play. Honda and Acura cars are starting to deliver some excitement now after years of following a restrained, sober design philosophy.

There are loads of standards on the RDX, from the typical power windows, locks and mirrors to dual zone climate control, a potent 360-watt premium sound system, leather seats (with eight-way power driver's adjustment), tilt and telescope steering wheel, power moon roof, and information display. Every RDX is a premium model, there's nothing less loaded available.

That doesn't mean you can't have more. The Technology Package offers a host of worthwhile items, from a 10-speaker super sound system with XM Satellite Radio to a navigation system with voice recognition (very Star Trek), a rearview camera, hands free cell phone availability, the AcuraLink Satellite Communication System, and more. It's fun to talk to the system to make changes, just push the little button on the steering column as you speak and the screen changes to what you want. My tester came with a formidable

list of commands and the few I used worked perfectly. Over time, this could be a major safety feature as your eyes stay on the road instead of dropping down to the dashboard.

The RDX feels tight and fun around town and stretches out and cruises happily on the freeway. Wind and road noise are minimal, the seats are supportive, and the engine sings as it flies. The RDX gives you a boost gauge, so you can see dramatic results every time you mash the accelerator.

Acura's larger MDX SUV has been around for years now and has been redone and grown a bit for 2007. The RDX however, is exactly 10 inches shorter, about five inches narrower, and sits on a four-inch shorter wheelbase. It's also more than 600 pounds lighter, so this is really a different class of car, one that fits nicely into today's narrow parking spots and feels nimble out in traffic.

The RDX starts at \$32,945, and the model with the Technology Package lists at \$36,495. Add \$670 destination charge to either when you take yours home. All hail the new sportier, leaner, more-enjoyable-to-drive luxury crossovers.

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"Improperly inflated tires often lead to decreased steering and braking control as

well as excessive tire wear.

Regular tire maintenance can lead to longer lasting tires, better fuel economy and safer vehicles on our roads."

Englert and his company are offering consumers the following tire care tips:

◆ Check your tire pressure at least once per month and before every long trip.

Under-inflated tires cause excess heat build-up that can damage tires and lead to a failure.

◆ Know your pressure point. The correct tire pres-

sure is found on a sticker on the driver's door, doorpost or owner's manual, not on the tire sidewall, which is the maximum pressure for the tire.

◆ To accurately measure your tire pressure, check tires when they are cold. Wait at least three hours after driving.

◆ Check your spare tire each month and keep it properly inflated so it's ready to go when you need it most.

◆ A penny can tell you if your tire is bald. Place a penny upside down into a tread groove. If you can see all of Lincoln's head, it's time for a new tire.

◆ Be aware of potholes that can damage your tire and also jar your car's alignment.

◆ Pick a date and rotate. Make sure you rotate your tires every 6,000 miles to promote uniform wear and longer tire life.

◆ Driving without your tire valve cap allows for a slow leak of air from the tire and eventual underinflation.

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Doing their duty

From left, Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officers Raymond Krause and Larry Stocking were painting while on duty. It's part of the public safety officer's job to maintain not only the safety of the community, but the building and the department's equipment.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Way too young

Police detained a 14-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male following a traffic stop on Kercheval at 10:45 p.m. Friday, June 1.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it swerving and the driver jamming on the brakes. The youth admitted his age and he was cited and held for pick up by his parents.

—By John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the City of Grosse Pointe police department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Warrant arrest

A 23-year-old Fraser woman was arrested following a traffic stop on Mack at 9:27 p.m. Saturday, June 2.

Police stopped the vehicle after a LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) check on the vehicle's license plate revealed the owner was wanted on a warrant for retail fraud in Sterling Heights.

The woman was arrested and held for pick up by Sterling Heights police.

Wrong turn

Police arrested a 38-year-old Detroit man following a traffic stop on Mack near Kerby at 9 p.m. Saturday, June 2.

Police stopped the vehicle after observing it make an illegal turn. A LEIN check revealed the driver was wanted on two warrants and had several driver's license suspensions. He was taken into custody.

Likes her liquor

Police arrested a 69-year-old Clinton Township woman for shoplifting from a grocery store in the 18000 block of Mack at 11:40 a.m. Saturday, June 2.

Police said the store's owner saw the woman take three bottles of liquor and leave the store. She later came back and attempted to take two more bottles, but was restrained by a store employee.

Police found the three bottles in the woman's vehicle and she was taken into custody. The liquor was returned to the store's owner.

Home invasion

Police are investigating the theft of a plasma television from a home in the 300 block of Lakeshore reported at 3:38 p.m. Friday, June 1.

Police said the front door was forced open and the homeowner reported nothing else missing but the television.

Police added that several drawers in the house had been rummaged through. There were no witnesses. Police dusted for fingerprints.

—By John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Farms police department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Park

Cell phone stolen

At 8:41 p.m. Saturday, June 2, a cell phone was taken from an unlocked locker at Windmill Pointe Park.

Car vandalized

Overnight on Friday, June 1, three unlocked vehicles parked in the 1000 block of Whittier were entered. A man's Omega-C watch and \$10 in change were taken.

Windshield busted

Between 6:45 a.m. and 3:15 p.m., Tuesday, May 29, the windshield of a Pontiac Montana parked in the 15000 block of Kercheval was broken.

Arrest made

Police detained a 16-year-old Detroit male for a recent home invasion in the 900 block of Beaconsfield. A Sony Xbox 360 stolen in the home invasion was recovered at the youth's home.

—By Beth Quinn
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Park police department at (313) 822-7400.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Traffic arrest

Police arrested a 67-year-old Detroit man following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 12:27 a.m. Sunday, June 3.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding and weaving from lane to lane. When questioning the driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. The man failed field sobriety tests and refused a breath test. He was arrested and transported to an area hospital for a blood test.

A LEIN (Law Enforcement

Information Network) check revealed the man was wanted on a warrant out of Westland and had several driver's license suspensions. His vehicle was impounded.

No license

A 16-year-old Detroit female was taken into custody following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 4:46 a.m. Saturday, June 2.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding. Upon questioning the driver, she admitted that she hadn't acquired a driver's license. She and two passengers were taken into custody and held for pick up by the vehicle's owner.

Drunken driving

Police arrested a 20-year-old Birmingham man for drunken driving following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 11:01 p.m. Friday, June 1.

Police stopped the vehicle for speeding and became suspicious that the man had been drinking because of his nervous behavior.

Police found a partially full bottle of liquor after searching the vehicle's trunk with the

owner's consent. He registered a .28 on a breath test.

He was arrested and his vehicle impounded.

—By John Lundberg
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Shores police department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Bar brawl

Police arrested a 37-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man following a fight he had with a 36-year-old Farms man at a local bar on Mack at 10:39 p.m. Saturday, June 2.

In the report, it was noted the two men had a history of conflicts. Two witnesses said the assailant approached the victim who was sitting at the bar watching television. The victim tried to brush off the assailant who then tried to choke the victim. Both men fell to the floor and started to wrestle.

Witnesses said no punches were thrown. The assailant suffered a black eye.

The assailant was charged with assault and battery, and he and his wife have been

banned from the establishment by the bar's owner.

Youth passed out

Police responded to a call at 7:47 p.m. Friday, June 1, about a 13-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods male passed out in front of Barnes Early Childhood Center at Morningside and Fairford.

The police tried repeatedly to contact the youth's mother, but did reach his older brother who said the boy had a history of seizures. Police suspect the boy had engaged in underage drinking.

Medics arrived on the scene to transport the youth to St. John Hospital.

Car smashed

Police are investigating the hit and run crash of a car parked on the 800 block of Briarcliff on the evening of Tuesday, May 29.

There was a 6-by-24 inch dent on the driver's side door.

—By Beth Quinn
Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Woods police at (313) 343-2400.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 21, 2007

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

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

In celebration of Police Week, individuals were recognized for distinguished service.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 7, 2007, and furthermore, receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on April 19, 2007, the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held May 9, 2007 and the Board of Canvassers meeting held on May 9, 2007.
- 2) To hold a Public Hearing on June 18, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public input and comment on the 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program, specifically the Kelly Road funding portion.
- 3) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 80585 through 80739 in the amount of \$767,484.03 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$23,360.67 for professional services during the month of April 2007 for the following projects: 2006 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, #180-092; 2007 Sewer Cleaning and TV Inspection, #180-100 and the 2007 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, #180-101. (3) Approve the final payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$22,200 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2006 audit.
- 2) That the City of Harper Woods supports and approves the proposed amendment to the Grosse Pointe District Library Agreement providing for a nomination process by each municipality in the District for appointment by the Grosse Pointe School Board to the District Library Board and, further, that the City of Harper Woods does not favor an elected at-large Library Board.
- 3) To adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City's Annual Permit to Work on State Highways.

Kenneth A. Poynter,
Mayor

Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

Published: GPN: June 7, 2007

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan WEEDS, BRUSH AND GRASS PUBLIC NOTICE

TO ALL OWNERS OR OCCUPANTS OF LAND IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS:

Notice is hereby given that after May 1st of this year the provisions of Chapter 90, Vegetation, Article IV, Weeds, Brush and Grass will be enforced. This article requires the owner or occupant to cut, destroy or remove weeds, brush and grass that is six (6) inches high or more.

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A copy of Article IV of Chapter 90 and additional information may be obtained from the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 06/07/2007

20A | BUSINESS

GROSSE POINTE PARK

Belding's Cleaners still going strong in Pointes

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Belding's Cleaners on the corner of Kercheval and Lakepointe has been around for what seems like an eternity.

Since 1929, Grosse Pointers have used Belding's services.

Fred Hebekka, 62, bought the business from Belding's second owner, and in a few short days, his son, Joe, will have the honors of leading the family business.

Joe, 25, is proud to take the reigns from his father.

"I take a personal approach to this business and I make sure each and every customer is happy with our service," Joe said.

"We even get customers who love us so much they ship their clothes in from out of the area to have them dry cleaned. We ship them right back when we're finished."

Belding's was the first dry cleaners in the Grosse Pointes. It stayed afloat through the Great Depression and continues to thrive. "We put in long hours to make sure every aspect runs smooth," Joe said. "We want happy customers because our business has increased through word of mouth."

Joe and his wife, Vanessa, reside in Macomb Township. He is at the office bright and early every day, making sure

the presses are ready.

He grew up in Sterling Heights and recently earned a bachelor's degree in business from Davenport University.

"I have been coming in working with my dad since I was 16 years old," Joe said. "I wanted to follow in my father's footsteps; so I went to college to learn the business aspect and I feel I'm ready to lead the way into a second generation of ownership."

Belding's offers professional shirt laundry, alterations, reweaving, suede and leather cleaning, formal, sequined gown laundry and wedding dress cleaning and preservation, fur cleaning and glazing, comforters and feather bed laundry, purse cleaning and heirloom preservation.

They also clean draperies, household linens, sheets and tablecloths.

"We can clean nearly everything," Joe said. "If you bring it to us, we make sure it is returned cleaned, pressed and looking top-notch."

Working closely with his father for the past decade has left a lasting impression on Joe.

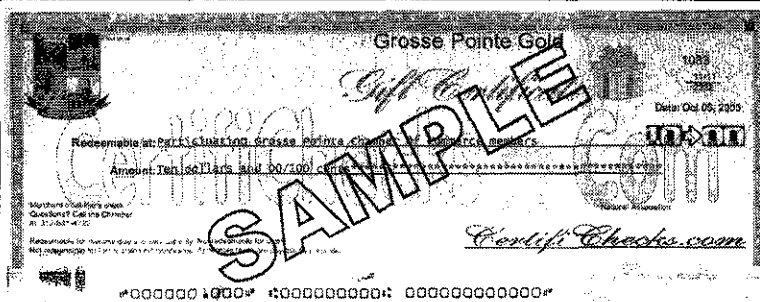
"I watched my dad work hard and love what he did for a living," Joe said. "I want to do the same, but this isn't for everyone. The hours are long, but it all pays off in the end because I love what I do."



PHOTO BY BOB ST. JOHN

Joe Hebekka, above, is a second-generation owner of Belding's Cleaners, taking over for his father, Fred.

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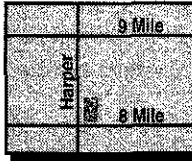
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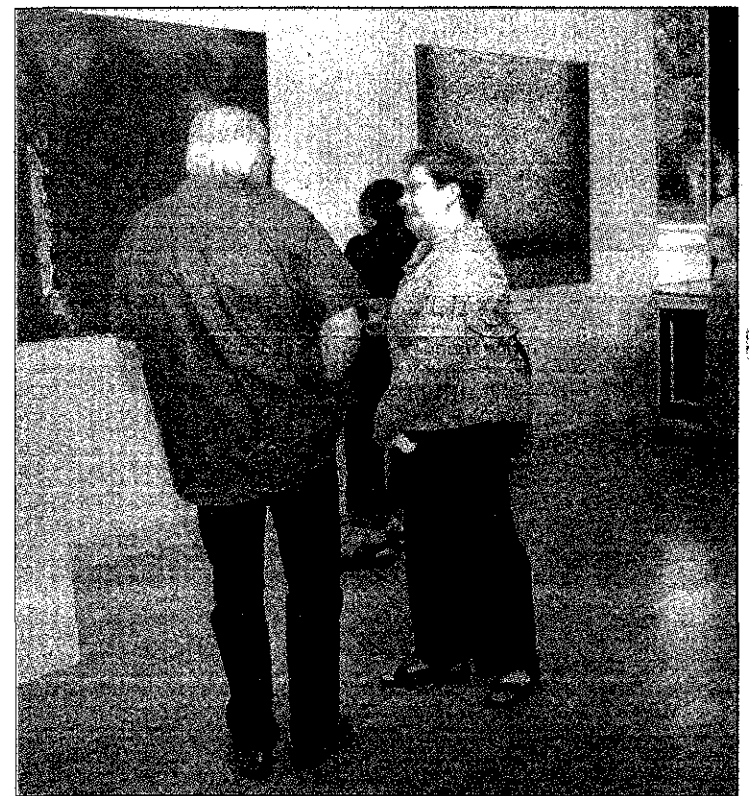


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Pizzazz

The Grosse Pointe Artist Association held a "Painters' Paintings" opening June 1. The show is open through June 29. Pictured left is Susan MacDonald, GPAA Art Center director, left, and show curator, Gail Mally-Mack, in front of one of Mally-Mack's paintings. Above is Denise Kozlo, standing next to one of her creations, "When a butterfly flaps its wings." More than two dozen people participated in the opening.

"This is the first show where we had an outside curator who chose the show with the idea that she would choose a few artists and she chose five women," MacDonald said. "This show is a nice range of styles from realism to abstract."



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EyesOn Design is more than a car show. It brings world-class designers to the Grosse Pointes doorsteps. It is an event which brings out the best in finely-tuned automobiles and motorcycles on Father's Day.

Eyeing perfection

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Fine-tuned automobiles and motorcycles from around the globe will converge on the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House on Father's Day, Sunday, June 17, for the 20th annual EyesOn Design Automotive Design Show.

This year's theme is, "Aerodynamics and Streamlining—by design."

"It is one of the most amazing car shows in the world and it is right in our backyard here in the Grosse Pointes," show director Philip Hessburg, M.D., said. "We get designers from all over the world to bring their masterpieces here for everyone to see."

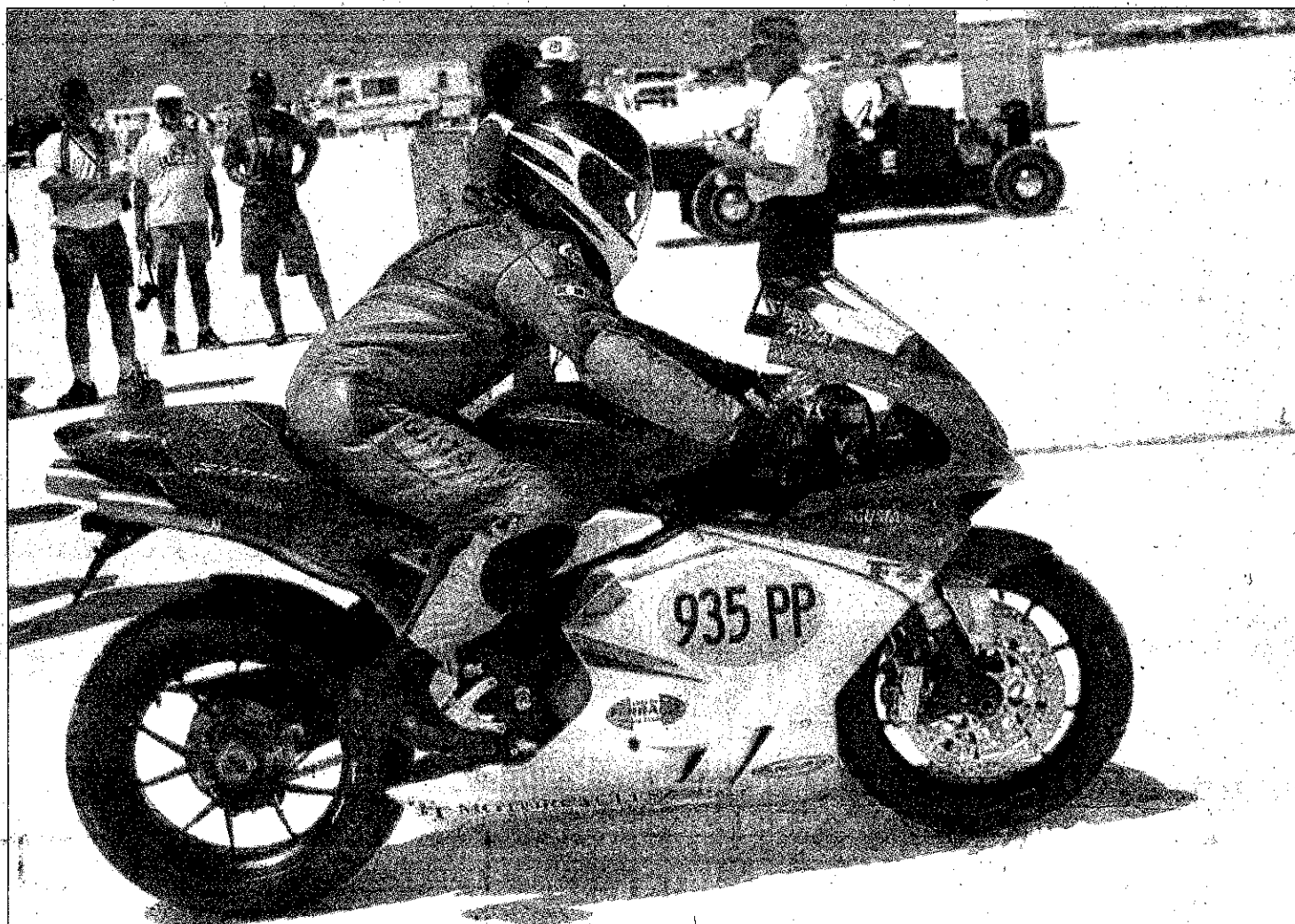
"It's a great time for everyone, including car enthusiasts, to enjoy these top-notch vehicles."

All money raised is donated to the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology's research to help the blind see.

The show raised \$20,000 during its first year and that number has swelled to \$390,000 just five years ago.

"We built the show here in Grosse Pointe and show it here in Grosse Pointe, but it still lacks local visibility," Hessburg said. "Hopefully, we can attract more local people because it truly is a wonderful time to spend with the family."

Other events related to the EyesOn Design are the Eve of

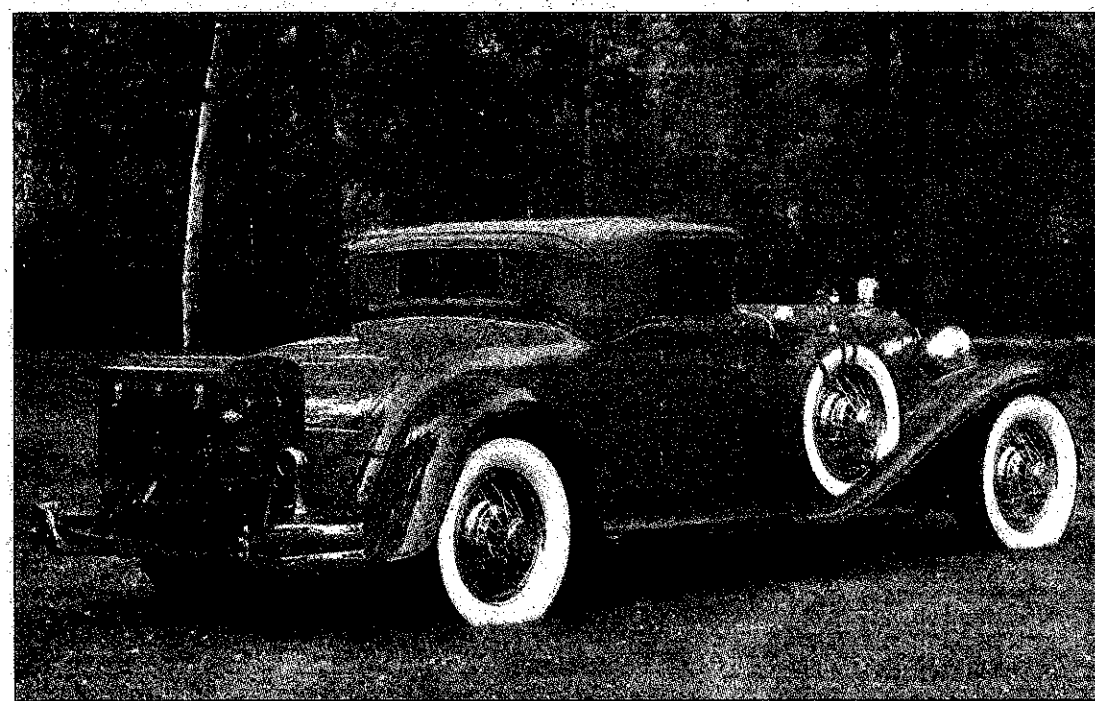


Roosevelt Lackey broke the world land speed record while driving the above pictured MV F4-1000R motorcycle 185.883 mph.

Eyes from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, June 15, at the Toyota Calt Design Research in Ann Arbor. Reservations are required and the cost is \$35 per person, and the Private Eyes show from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, June 17, at the Ford House. Reservations are also required and the cost is \$100 per person or \$50 for children 12 and under.



A shiny 1934 Ford Roadster, pictured above, will capture the eyes of the auto enthusiasts attending the EyesOn Design show.



The classic Cord car, pictured above, will be on display at the annual EyesOn Design show.

The cost for EyesOn Design is \$20 person and runs from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Food will be served.

"I will be out at the Ford house before 5:30 a.m. when most of the unique vehicles arrive," Hessburg said. "I'm not a true car enthusiast, but it is interesting to see all of these wonderful looking vehicles come in from around the world."

Model cars, motorcycles, airplanes and boats will be on hand for viewing, trading or buying. In addition, modelers from around the United States, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Mexico, Spain and the United Kingdom will show their work.

Posters will be available for purchase and raffle tickets will be sold at \$100 apiece (a maximum of 500 will be sold) for a chance to win \$10,000.

The Jodie Valenti-led art show is an annual highlight of EyesOn Design. People who are auto aficionados can view art pieces under the tent.

There will also be a silent

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MEETINGS

Vernor's

Learn about Detroit's original soda, Vernor's Ginger Ale, and the story of its creator James Vernor during Grosse Pointe Historical Society's 1 to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 9, event: "All Things Vernor's."

Historian and former teacher Marguerite Humes, author of "300 Years of Detroit Cooking." She will whip up Boston Coolers, cream coolers and more at the Provencal-Weir House.

Vernor family descendant Lisa Mower Gandelot will be on hand to share family artifacts and stories.

This event is the part of society's Second Saturday Pastimes series. Reservations are encouraged. Children are welcome with an adult.

For more information, call (313) 884-7010.

Questers

The annual meeting and luncheon of the Grand Marais Chapter of Questers meets on Friday, June 8, at the home of Mrs. Cleveland Thurber. An election of officers will take place.

Fundraiser

A gala fundraiser to support the Detroit-Windsor Chapter of Executive Women International will be Friday, June 15, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, 655 Cook.

This is a nonprofit organiza-

tion founded in 1938, with membership held by leading firms in chapter cities.

Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and silent auction begin at 6 p.m. Equestrian demonstration, dinner and live auction to follow. Admission prices are \$65 per person U.S. and \$75 Canadian.

All event proceeds will support the chapter's philanthropic activities.

Theme for the evening is "Reading Is Yours for the Dreaming," developed around a book self-published by Chapter President Kay Douglas. Call Madeleine Phillips for reservations or information at (313) 921-1200.

Hearing aids

An informational session about ear disorders, how to treat them successfully in children and adults, and the benefits of modern hearing aid technology will be presented by Dr. Jeffrey S. Weingarten, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, in the Connelly Auditorium of Bon Secours Hospital.

Picnic

Join the Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe for a Thursday, June 14, picnic. Socializing begins at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Members pay \$27 and non-members \$29. For the location call Marcia Piekielek at (313) 884-4201 or Nancy Neat at

(313) 882-1855.

Youth orchestra

Pointes Area Youth Orchestra holds its year end concert at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 10, in the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Conductor is Julia Kurtyka.

Afternoon tea

Grosse Pointe Theatre hosts a 2-5 p.m., Sunday, June 24, tea, silent auction and raffle in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

It will include a musical revue, a costume show, theatrically themed tablescapes and a champagne luncheon.

Proceeds from the \$55 cost will be used to refurbish the Fries Auditorium stage.

Prizes will be awarded for the best tea ensemble and hat and each guest will receive a gift.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling the theatre's box office at (313) 881-4004.

There will be a pre-tea table viewing for \$10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Bill Solomon, Big Ten basketball official for 11 years and football official for 20 years will be the speaker.

For more information, call (313) 822-1111.

La Societe des Jardinieres

The La Societe des Jardinieres holds its annual business meeting at noon Thursday, June 14, at the Grosse Pointe Little Club with Helena Thurber as hostess.

Following tradition, hats are required to maintain voting privileges.

The slate of officers is: president, Pat Hayes; treasurer, Kathie Smith; directory, Catherine Janice Clyne; mailings, Phyllis Kerslake; membership, Thurber; sunshine, Margaret Alverson; and publicity, Sandy Magreta.

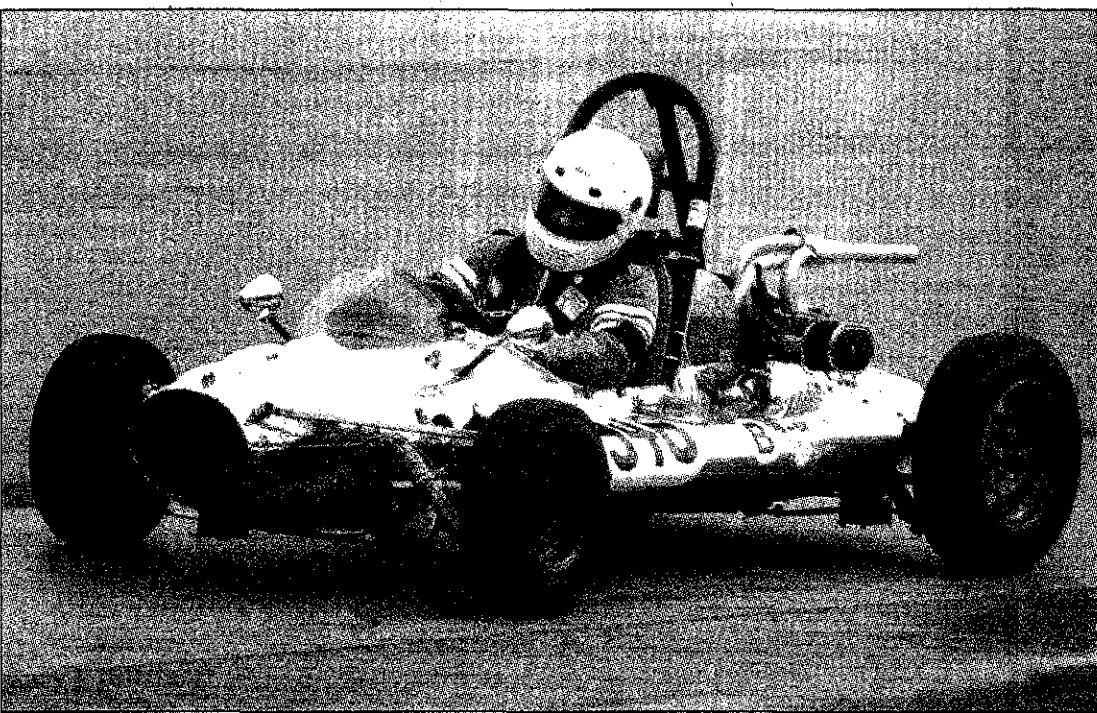
Palette club

The Lakeside Palette Club of St. Clair Shores meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 14, in the meeting room of the St. Clair Shores Arena, 20000 Stephens.



Scholarships

May 16 was a banner day for the Grosse Pointe Woman's Club when it awarded two Grosse Pointe high school seniors scholarships. Pictured from left, Elizabeth Lentz from North, Pat Wilson, Woman's Club scholarship chairman and Gabriel Beutal-Gunn from South. Both students were given a \$2,200 scholarship. Lentz plans to attend the University of Michigan to pursue a degree in medicine and Beutal-Gunn will attend Loyola University in Chicago.



A Dreossi Canada Classic speedster, above, will be represented at the auto show at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House on Father's Day.

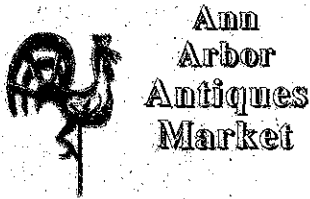
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EYES: Design, style and class

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auction of donated automotive art on eBay beginning after the show.

Tours of the Ford house, designed by Albert Kahn and built in 1929 with gardens and landscaping by Jens Jensen, will be available at \$8 per person and can be booked in advance by calling (313) 884-4222. Parking for the auto show and tour is across from the Ford house.

Some of the vehicles on display include the never before seen in Michigan 1:3 scale model Ferrari. It was brought from Avignon, France. The vehicle, a French Craftsman's 12-year Model Ferrari 'Ce Magnifique,' was built by Pierre Scerri.

He built the 12-cylinder race car with a working engine, a five-speed gear box, a lighting system, an instrument panel, and a tiny working key that fits a functional ignition switch starting a full throated Ferrari roar.

It took him 12 years and 25,000 hours to build the car and another several months to tweak the engine to sound

Ferrari perfect.

Motorcycles will also be on display at the EyesOn Design.

A special exhibit of a MV Augusta motorcycle, featuring the land speed record MV F4-1000R driven by 69-year-old Dryden resident Roosevelt Lackey, will be shown.

Lackey, who will be in attendance signing autographs of his poster, set a world land speed record driving the MV Augusta F4-1000R 185.883 mph on the Bonneville Salt Flats last August.

For a \$20 processing fee used as a donation to the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, a professional photographer will catch an image of any child under 16 with the world record motorcycle.

Another classic car showcased at EyesOn Design is the Bugatti 57.335. Some consider this the most valuable car in the world.

Originally built in 1937 for Ettore Bugatti, it was confiscated by the Nazis during World War II. It will be shown for the first time in Michigan as a non-judged exhibit.

The car, along with an original oil painting documenting the kidnapping of the vehicle from the Nazis by the French Underground, will be shown this year only at EyesOn Design.

"The story about the car and its history is amazing," Hessburg said. "It's a once in a lifetime opportunity to see a piece of history. I don't know how much the car is worth, but I heard its current owner turned down a \$5.6 million bid."

Cadillac is sponsoring a gathering of 1957-58 Eldorado Broughams at the 2007 EyesOn Design to celebrate the vehicle's 50th anniversary.

The Eldorado Brougham was Cadillac's ultra luxury car positioned to compete not only with Lincoln's Mark II, but Rolls Royce motorcars as well.

Priced at \$13,074 in 1957, it was one of the world's most expensive and exclusive vehicles. With appeal to the wealthy elite and the Hollywood crowd, only 400 were built in 1957 and another 304 in 1958.

Inspired by a lineage of General Motor's Motorama concept vehicles, the Eldorado Brougham was virtually taken off the turntable and put into production.

It was equipped with all the latest technological features of the time, such as air suspension, memory seats and a suicide style pillarless four-door design. Styling featured a brushed stainless steel roof, Dagmar front bumpers and swept back fins.

Luxurious amenities included a ladies carryall complete with lipstick, powder and comb, six magnetized drinking cups, cigarette case, tissue dispenser, beveled mirror, leather notepad and a one ounce atomizer of Arpege Extrait de Lanvin perfume.

In addition to the Eldorado Broughams, Cadillac's new for 2008 CTS, the recipient of the EyesOn Design Award for Best Concept Execution at the 2007 North American International Auto Show in Detroit, will be on display.

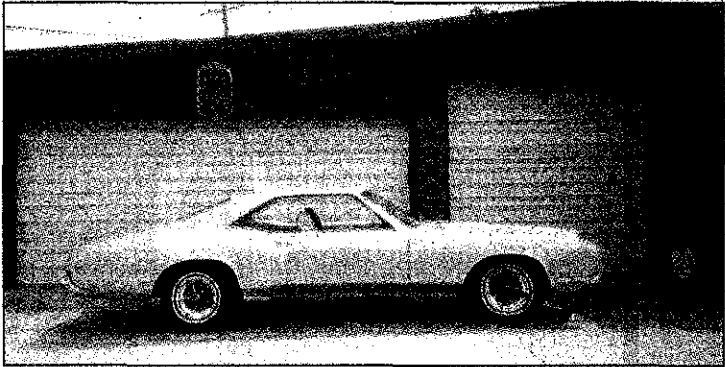
Cadillac will highlight its involvement with the EyesOn Design by displaying the Cadillac Sixteen Concept vehicle.

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This 1967 Buick Riviera, owned by August Cornacchia, was on display a few years ago. It won a best designed car award.

Double Eagle — twins earn top Scouting rank

It was a double Eagle evening as twins Thomas S. and Scott Wilkins were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scout Troop 96.

The 17-year-olds are the sons of Paul and Ann Wilkins of Grosse Pointe Farms and juniors at Grosse Pointe South High School. Both maintain a 4.0 grade point average.

Thomas' Eagle project was to clean-up the Kerby Elementary basketball courts by painting the lines, repainting all poles and refinishing the benches.

He is a AAA Award winner for Academics, Attitude and Achievement and member of South's varsity cross country and track teams.

As both a freshman and sophomore, he earned a varsity letters in track. Thomas enjoys science and math with special interests in the medical field and technology. He also has a passion for white water kayaking, climbing and playing soccer.

"I also enjoy skiing and snowboarding and just relaxing sometimes and enjoying things as they are," he said.

For his ambitions, Thomas sites continued participation in sports, such as playing soccer and running track.

Other future endeavors include pursuing a career in the medical field.

"I hope to continue to succeed academically and continue to make new friends and form new relationships," he said.

One of Thomas' most unfor-

gettable Scout memories was a trip to Philmont.

"It was a once in a lifetime memory, and I'll never forget it, especially the storm atop Mt. Philips that reaches about 12,000 feet. I also will never forget any of the other high adventures trips; including the white water rafting, caving, and climbing I had done in middle school."

In his activities in the troop, Scott has served as the chaplain's aid for 1 1/2 years, was assistant patrol leader and patrol leader.

Scott's Eagle project was also at Kerby Elementary. There he directed the painting of a variety of blacktop activities (and repainting the lines of the previously painted activities). He organized and led a workforce of 12 volunteers through 128 cumulative work hours.

"The project was especially fulfilling because I had attended Kerby," he said.

As to his best scouting memories, Scott also recalled, "I will never forget the adventures my friends and I had during the two hour hail and lightning storm on top of Mt. Philips at 12,000 feet."

He has earned three varsity letters, two in track and one in cross country and has been a student government representative for three years.

"I enjoy running, skiing, snowboarding, drawing, and sometimes just relaxing with friends," he said.

Scott, too, plans a career in medicine.



Scott and Thomas Wilkins were bestowed the rank of Eagle Scout during ceremonies with Rep. Ed Gaffney R-Grosse Pointe Farms.



Mayors award scholarships

Mayors of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods honored top students from area high schools by awarding scholarships at the 21st annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast held May 3 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. The featured speaker was "baseball's most enduring announcer" Ernie Harwell, whose insights into baseball are legendary and his stories of life, faith and family are inspirational.

Pictured are Ernie Harwell with Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan, Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor James Farquhar, Grosse Pointe Shores Village President James Cooper, Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter, City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace, and Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke. Scholarship winners shown include: Elizabeth Palmer, University Liggett High School; Anthony Colista, Harper Woods High School; Shami Entenman, Grosse Pointe South High School; Julie Hrabovsky and Erin McNeill, Regina High School. Not pictured: Martha Everette, Grosse Pointe North High School. The annual Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods Mayors' Prayer Breakfast attracts hundreds of local residents, elected officials and business people to celebrate the National Day of Prayer as proclaimed by the president of the United States. It also recognizes the role that prayer has played in the lives of individual Americans and the nation as a whole.

Woods man semifinalist in Energizer contest

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Matthew Lane is in the running for the top spot in the Energizer Keep Going Hall of Fame.

No, he's not battery powered.

Lane is one of 100 semifinalists in the competition created last year as a way to share the inspiring stories of people who live every day with the same spirit as the Energizer Bunny. He was nominated for his "never quit spirit" in pursuit of his dream to become a zoologist.

Lane's adventure began when he didn't let financial

hurdles stop him from participating in a study-abroad program in Australia that would let him study animals. When he returned, he was told the zoology program he wanted to enroll in was full. Lane persisted with teachers and counselors until they finally agreed to enroll him.

The 100 semi-finalists are now entered into a second judging phase and will be narrowed to a pool of 10 finalists. One winner will be chosen by a public vote via the Web at energizer.com/halloffame. Voting for the 10 Keep Going Hall of

Fame finalists begins June 14. Each vote will trigger a donation to the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation.

The winner will receive a \$10,000 cash prize plus a \$5,000 donation to the winner's favorite charity and be formally honored at an induction ceremony Sept. 6 at the Baseball Hall of Fame.

"We all know people like this — ordinary people with extraordinary stories and unstoppable energy," said Jeff Ziminski, vice president North American & Global Marketing, chief marketing officer. "We

are excited to honor these unsung heroes through the Keep Going Hall of Fame."



New president

During the May 16 Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meeting outgoing two-term president, at left, Pam Zimmer hands off the gavel to incoming president Marilyn Richardson. The event was held during the annual scholarship award luncheon. Devin Scillian, WDIV co-anchor, author and musician was the guest speaker.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Brent Franklin was selected a 2007-2008 Fenwick Scholar, the highest academic honor bestowed at Holy Cross. The Grosse Pointe Farms resident is a chemistry major with a premedical concentration. He plans to attend medical school to pursue a career in neurosurgery.

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Elizabeth Kalina of Grosse Pointe Woods was awarded a scholarship from the Grosse Pointe Education Association. She graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and is the daughter of Ernie and Joan Kalina. She plans to at-

tend Yale University.

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Daniel Keogh of the City of Grosse Pointe graduated from Hope College with a degree in management. He is the son of Renee Keogh.

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Elizabeth Lawlis received a Jay Olson Memorial Essay recognition in German at Albion College. The junior is majoring in international relations and minoring in German and Asian studies. She is the daughter of James and Susan Lawlis and a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

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Father hears a call of duty

By Laura Phelps
Special Writer

Father Lumbre: You're in the Army now.

On June 2, the Rev. Roger Lumbre, associate pastor at Our Lady Star of The Sea, began his first day of chaplain's basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

He was sworn in as First Lieutenant in the United States Army and assigned to the 785th MP BN on Sept. 15 of last year.

"What really compelled me (to join) was the need," Lumbre said. "Chaplain's play an important role in moral and spiritual support, especially for the Catholic soldiers because there is a shortage of Catholic chaplains."

Lumbre said the shortage is across the board as bishops are faced with fewer priests at home and the ripple effect is impacting the military's spiritual resources.

After spending three months training to offer support to soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan, he will be assigned to a base in the United States for six to 12 months before heading off to the Middle East.

Chaplains, Lumbre said, have the unique duty of assisting soldiers in times of private turmoil and serving as an Army chaplain has given him a sense of self-fulfillment. He said it enables him to serve his troops, his country and his God.

Lumbre said he offered assistance to soldiers on the

home front whenever possible. He recently met with a soldier returning from Iraq who was sent home for his son's funeral.

The care and love of his parish is what Lumbre said he will miss most about being away from Grosse Pointe.

"The irony is that because of the love they showed me, is the same love that moved me to go with the soldiers, because right now they need the love of chaplains," Lumbre said.

Lumbre's celebration of Mother's Day and Father's Day Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea is a particular treat that will be missed when he heads overseas, said parishioner Maureen Berndtson. She said he calls up each mother or father and honors them with a song.

With his personal synthesized CD, Berndtson said he is the church's personal music star.

"Our loss is entirely the Army's gain," she said.

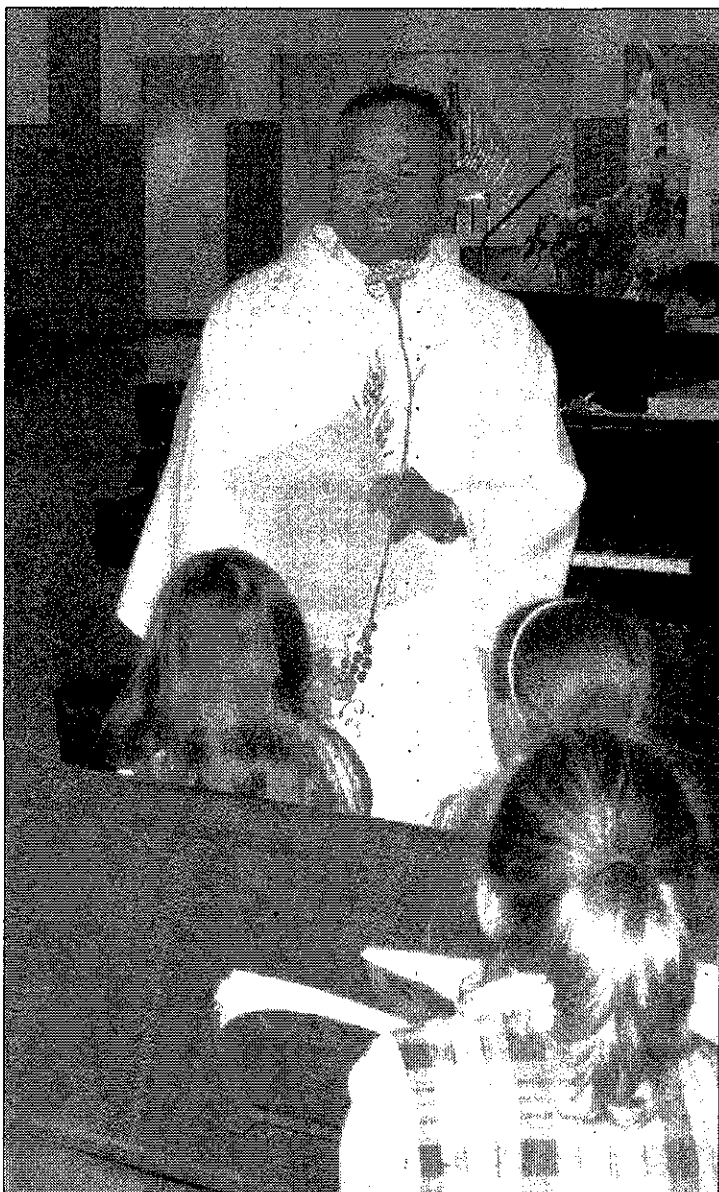
At his last Mass May 20, Lumbre sent a simple parting message to his congregation.

"I want to thank them for all their love and support and to continue to hold onto their faith and express love to everyone," he said. "I'm thankful to my pastor to have given me the opportunity to serve the Army as a chaplain, but first, to the parishioners for all their inspiration."

Lumbre said he is "spiritually" prepared but not yet physically ready to keep up with an entire unit of Army soldiers.

His daily runs and training one weekend a month with the Army Reserve, however, has helped.

Maybe his chaplain training will include a host of sit-ups, push-ups and longer daily runs.



The Rev. Roger Lumbre said his last mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church May 20 before joining the U.S. Army.

PASTOR'S CORNER By Hamid Dana

Heroes near by

As we were commemorating Memorial Day, a lot of time was spent — both privately and collectively — on recalling the heroes in our lives.

Some of these heroes loomed larger than life and had names that became household words. Others worked more quietly and were known only to smaller groups of people.

Nevertheless, to the folks who held them as heroes, they were all important.

One of my favorite heroes was a welfare mother of two preschool boys. As you can imagine, the welfare stipend was not enough to select from among the safest places to live, but it did allow her to stay at home with the boys until they went to school full-time. She then returned to work.

In fact, she not only returned to the workforce, but guided her sons through their university educations and en-

rolled in a nurse's training program: a career she still follows.

But perhaps the following vignette tells more about her that helps explain the rest of her life.

One evening as she was returning home, two young men confronted her, demanding that she give them her money. She said, "No."

The immediate reaction on the part of the assailants was disbelief. After all, they had the guns, but she held firm.

"I have two little boys at home, and if I give you my money I will have nothing to feed them with," she said.

The muggers tried again, but again she persisted, "God gave me those boys to take care of, and I'm not going to give you their milk money," she said, continuing.

Surprisingly, the muggers yielded and let her pass.

Hamid Dana is Chairman of the Outreach Committee at the Albanian Islamic Center in Harper Woods.

Lakeside worship

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church will hold its lakeside services of worship every summer Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

These services take place behind the church on a grassy area overlooking Lake St. Clair. After every service, there will be lemonade and a

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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

Aging boomers generate new studies



I don't know if it is the advent of the baby boomers becoming part of the senior scene, but there are now more studies on various aspects of aging.

A study presented at the American Geriatrics Society's recent annual scientific meeting reported that those with considerable experience caring for older adults lack training in elder sexuality.

The study involved more than 200 health care professionals working in a large nursing home. They completed a questionnaire concerning sexuality in general and elder sexuality in particular.

Attitudes toward older adults' sexuality varied with

the backgrounds and perspectives of the respondents.

The 47 percent of respondents who reported that sexuality was important in their own lives also said that sexual expression was important to older residents.

They also said they were willing to talk to residents about sexuality. In addition, they reported that they felt "a responsibility to provide the residents with opportunities to express their sexuality."

The 57 percent of those who identified themselves as highly religious also said that sexual expression was important to them as well as to elderly residents.

However, reported that residents' sexual activity "should not be supported by the staff."

Though nearly 60 percent of those in the study had more than 10 years of experience working with older adults, 70 percent reported getting no

formal training in elder sexuality.

"This large study is a very unique research project in the long-term care industry. It's now leading to an innovative quality management educational training program for all health care professionals in the facility studied."

That included social workers, nurses and nurses aids, physical and occupational therapists and physicians," said Wahila Alam, M.D.

Dr. Alam was lead author on the study and one of the six North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System geriatric fellows involved in the research.

Another study presented at the Geriatrics Society meeting was on a video game specially designed to help train medical students to make effective home visits to older patients. Home visits are said to be an important part of the care of

older people.

There is no structured method to help doctors make effective home visits, says Gustavo Duqua, Ph.D. and his colleagues at McGill University who conducted the study.

I personally do not know of any doctor treating seniors who visits them in their home on a professional basis. The study, however, was conducted by professionals at a Canadian University, perhaps using data from services provided under Canada's National Health System.

The researchers devised a 3-D virtual reality video game called RiskDom-Geriatrics. It simulates a patient's home and, among other things, allows players to explore and evaluate the home for hazards that could lead to falls and other injuries.

Preliminary studies indicate participants showed improvements in their understanding

of how to make an effective home visit.

While these studies may appear to deal with only limited problems for seniors, they do show the growing interest in improving the quality of life for older adults. Many of these now under study and others planned for the future will undoubtedly deal with universal senior problems.

Notes of interest

Here are some items that are interesting, but also give us some insight into what people are doing in our country today.

◆ Forty million acres — two percent of the land in the U.S. — is covered with lawns. Americans burn 800 million gallons of gasoline a year in their lawnmowers.

◆ Fifty-five percent of men aged 18 to 24 have returned to the nest to live with their parents, as have 47 percent of women. This generation is be-

ing called "the boomerang kids."

◆ The new Congress of the United States has a record number of women (90), a record number of Buddhists (two) and a record number of Muslims (one).

◆ Rising insurance co-payments are harming patients with chronic illnesses, such as diabetes and asthma, according to a study in the Journal of American Medical Association.

Insurers hiked co-payments for many prescription drugs by 72 percent between 2000 and 2003.

Every time those payments doubled, the study found prescription drug use fell dramatically and 17 percent of chronically ill patients ended up in the emergency room.

You can reach Cain with questions or comments at her e-mail: ruthcain@comcast.net.

SENIOR COLUMN By Sue Miller

Ten ways senior citizens can change to improve life style

You get up achy, stiff and tired. You check the obituary listings to see who is still around. You meet with friends and everyone complains about being ignored by family, former business associates, and the few friends that are still around. Your opinions are never taken seriously and you feel your relatives are resenting you for living too long and spending what would have been their inheritance.

Sounds familiar and depressing, doesn't it? It needn't be that way.

The examples cited are never going away. But we can change, even slightly, and prove to ourselves that we are still vital and productive se-

niors.

Now is the time to update our own personal ten commandments. Here are ten ways in which senior citizens, or anybody, can change for the better.

◆ Get up and force yourself to exercise every morning. Anything that you do will make you feel both mentally and physically better.

◆ As long as you don't see your own name in the obituary list, you are better off than those who are listed, and you can begin to challenge the new day.

◆ Instead of always complaining about your family, recall how great they really are and what the both of you have accomplished and achieved. You should be proud of them,

but more important, they should be proud of you.

◆ Your opinions and view points are important to you and you should not be ashamed to express them regardless of how outlandish. It shows you are thinking and trying to stay up with the world.

◆ Try traveling to see different parts of this country as well as foreign countries. There are many organizations that cater to seniors — Elderhostels, Tauck Tours, Cruises, to name but a few.

◆ Go to movies in the afternoon. For hearing problems, look for foreign films that have English subtitles.

◆ Take chartered bus tours to parks, museums, theatres, and casinos. Take very little

money to the casinos and always look for the free or inexpensive buffets. The ride is relaxing and the scenery is beautiful.

◆ Check out books in the libraries that have a big selection of books in large print. The most current fiction and non-fiction books are now both in regular and large print.

◆ Recognize and accept that you are a senior. When driving your car becomes dangerous, turn in your license and keys before your children start to pressure you.

◆ You should always regard yourself as number one. Your children will respect you for your independence.

So get off your duff, and live

each day to the fullest.

Enjoy your wife or husband, find a friend, a partner or, yes — even a new spouse to share your life. If you don't have one, keep on looking, it is never too late.

Sue Miller is the author of "I'm Tougher Than I Look." Her Web site intoughertanilook.com.

Assisted living facilities tours offered

Do you know how to choose an assisted living center?

Services for Older Citizens is lending a hand by conducting group tours for seniors and their caregivers of local facilities.

"We look forward to these trips," said Gia Franciosi, SOC trip leader. "The facilities always treat us royally, and it's nice to see what's available and the costs involved."

Upcoming tours include:

◆ American House — Friday, June 8; \$12 for residents, \$15 for nonresidents.

◆ Birchcrest Manor — Thursday, August 9; \$12 for residents, \$15 for nonresidents.

This three-floor facility offers one and two bedroom units, two elevators, a beauty and barber shop, a card room, library, outdoor gazebo and a chauffeur driven van for errands.

Oakwood Commons — Tuesday, August 14. This tour is free.

These apartment homes are offered for "active-minded seniors" who want to remain in-

dependent and enhance their lifestyle. Located in Dearborn, one and two-bedroom apartment rentals include one meal a day, weekly housekeeping, all utilities (except phone), 24-hour emergency medical alert system, scheduled transportation, a variety of activities and maintenance.

Onsite amenities include a full service bank, convenience store, hair salon and health club.

Call the SOC office at (313) 882-9600 to make reservations.

Senior center hosts its annual ice cream social on June 15

Services for Older Citizens Annual Ice Cream Social is from 2 to 5 p.m., Friday, June 15, at the Neighborhood Club.

Included this year will be free health screenings, free 911 cell phones, informational booths, prizes, gifts and free ice cream sundaes for all.

Leading elder care expert and author Doctor Marion will be at the event. Doctor Marion released a book last fall entitled, "Elder Care Made Easier: Doctor Marion's 10 Steps to Help You Care for an Aging Loved One."

The book is a resource for the most common issues facing baby boomers and others caring for aging parents and loved ones.

This year's event is sponsored by Morley Candy Makers, Pine Ridge Retirement Communities, Henry Ford Village, St. Mary's Nursing and Rehab Center, At Home Caregivers, American House 1 & 2, Lucas Hearing Aid, Mystic Medical Equipment, the Grosse Pointe Public Library, St. John Hospital and the Gardens of

Clinton Home Care Assistance.

For more information contact Debbie Pommerville at the Services for Older Citizens office at (313) 882-9600.

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping older citizens maintain their lives in independence and dignity. SOC was founded in 1978 to provide comprehensive services for seniors in the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

High school students complete volunteer hours with SOC

If you are a senior in high school it is probably too late. But for all other students, summer is the perfect time to earn the volunteer hours you need.

Even if community service hours are not a graduation requirement, many colleges and universities consider these hours as an added benefit to your application process. Every school likes to see students who take initiative and are involved in their community.

To complete hours volunteer:

◆ Start early! Begin freshman year.

◆ Talk to your guidance counselor. Find out how many hours are needed and what you need to do to verify those hours.

◆ Consider your talents and abilities; they may be very useful at a non-profit organization.

◆ Contact local organizations to see if they accept volunteers under 18.

◆ Talk to others. See where they have volunteered.

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) has many volunteer opportunities for junior volunteers throughout the summer months from the annual ice cream social to The Village sidewalk sales where SOC has an information booth. SOC will work with volunteers to accommodate their schedules.


Call Mary Rose Nelson at (313) 882-9600 or visit the SOC office for more information.



CROP Walk

The Grosse Pointe Area CROP Hunger Walk was a success with 165 walkers and their pets coming out to raise more than \$20,000 to support Meals for Shut-ins, Eastside Emergency Center, Crossroads East, Community Food Depot and COTS. This year, Grosse Pointe joined 2,000 cities and towns nationwide proclaiming their solidarity with millions around the world who have to walk to live, as well as with the millions served by local food pantries, food banks and meal sites in the United States. New this year were the "rocking chair" event and warm-up exercises for walkers. Two dogs, at left, 11-year-old Kooder and right, 2-year-old Toby, with their owners raised more than \$1,000. The dogs are pictured with Charlie van Becelaere. Grosse Pointe Memorial was the host church for the May 6 event.

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X-TRA SPECIAL ADVICE By Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan

Never underestimate the music's power



Maybe it's not quite a miracle. But it's close. Taking Andrew, 6, to soccer at Barnes Early Childhood Center in Grosse Pointe Woods to play on the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association TOP Soccer team with other children with special needs last season and the first month of this season was like jumping into a WWF ring. We would wrestle him to the field only to have him wrestle us near the front fence gate as

he repeatedly tried to leave. He grunted and snarled and screamed and cried the whole time. Even our best reinforcement — Twizzlers — wasn't making a dent into getting him to participate with more than a few half-hearted kicks.

Veteran Dragonflies Coach Diane Karabetsos and her amazing team of volunteers took turns wrestling him. Nothing worked to get him engaged in the game. The coaches knew we were considering quitting since it was so exhausting for all of us and nothing positive seemed to be coming out of the experience.

After several exhausting rounds, our best and brightest solution was to demand he kick the ball 20 times in a row

to be rewarded with leaving. He did and we left. Not once did he participate in stretching. Or the drills.

Or the game. It was ugly. It was so ugly other parents of children with special needs felt bad for us.

That's saying a lot. After a couple Saturdays this season, assistant coach Diana Karwowski, retired special education teacher, thought of a great idea.

After receiving permission from us and Kim Graham, Andrew's teacher, Karwowski and Karabetsos visited Andrew in his classroom at Mason Elementary.

They saw him perform in an environment where he does well and got some very good

ideas from Graham, including a social story about soccer and a visual storyboard about Andrew's soccer tasks.

Not to mix metaphors, but out of left field came the best idea from Andrew's brilliant teacher. Graham suggested we play music to encourage Andrew to play soccer. She reasoned he really liked music and that may motivate him to participate.

Anything was worth a try. We bought new batteries for the portable CD player and brought along the new CD of favorite tunes compliments of Graham and her brother.

Music worked. It was the required motivator. Andrew closely followed behind us carrying the CD player with his fa-

vorite songs around the field like we were the Pied Piper. The magic notes calmed him. Soothed, he kicked the ball all over the field. He kicked around cones. He kicked the ball into the net.

He kicked the ball to coach-es. And he kicked his anxiety of playing soccer on a large field with other children, parents and volunteers — including his wonderful one-on-one, ever-so-patient coach, Karen Ridgway.

He even smiled. The miracle of music put a smile on our faces, too. OK, so what if we looked like John Cusack as Lloyd Dobler trying to win back the love of Diane Court by playing Peter Gabriel's "In Your Eyes" in

"Say Anything"? It beats wrestling with our son in the midst of a monster meltdown any day of the week.

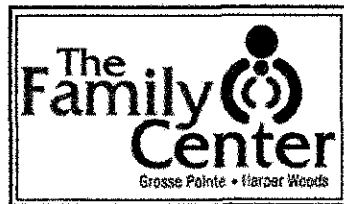
Next week, we'll be back on the field at Barnes.

And if you think we look funny, read the last lines of "Say Anything:" Diane Court: "Nobody thinks it will work, do they?" Lloyd Dobler: "No. You just described every great success story."

Grosse Pointe residents Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X Syndrome [fragilex.org]. Send your questions or comments to mblangan@hotmail.com or ted.coutilish@emich.edu.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Ellen Brayton

Summer jobs for teens are government restricted



Q. My husband says our teenage son needs to get a job this summer. Aren't there restrictions on what a teenager can and cannot do?

A. Ah yes, the summer job. There are some things to keep in mind when your teen applies for that "ideal" summer job to help pay for all those "necessities" like iTunes, Starbucks, concert tickets, etc. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration Web site, osha.gov/SLTC/teenwork-

ers/parents, provides great information on teen employment for parents, teens, and employers alike.

According to OSHA, 14-to 15 years old may perform the following jobs in the retail and service industries:

- ◆ Bagging and carrying out customer's orders;
- ◆ Cashiering, selling, modeling, art work, advertising, window trimming, or comparative shopping;
- ◆ Cleaning fruits and vegetables;
- ◆ Clean-up work and grounds maintenance activities that do not require the use of power-driven mowers, cutters, and trimmers;
- ◆ Clean cooking equipment,

including the filtering, transporting and dispensing of oil and grease, but only when the surfaces of the equipment and liquids do not exceed 100 degrees;

- ◆ Delivery work by foot, bicycle, or public transportation;
- ◆ Kitchen and other work in preparing and serving food and drinks, but not cooking or baking (see hazardous jobs).

Office and clerical work:

- ◆ Pricing and tagging goods, assembling orders, packing, or shelving;
- ◆ Pumping gas, cleaning and polishing cars and trucks (but the young worker cannot repair cars, use garage lifting rack, or work in pits);

◆ Wrapping, weighing, pricing, stocking any goods as long as the young worker does not work where meat is being prepared and does not work in freezers or meat coolers.

A youth 16 or 17 years old may perform any non-hazardous job. Hazardous jobs include driving a motor vehicle and being an outside helper on a motor vehicle, operating power equipment, roofing, and manufacturing. A youth 18 years or older may perform any job, whether hazardous or not.

Visit the Web site for a complete list of hazardous jobs.

Parents, here are some things you can do to help your teen:

◆ Take an active role in the employment decisions of your children. Some work sites are safer than others. Know where your teens are working and what they are doing. Frequently ask teens what they did at work and discuss any problems or concerns.

◆ Discuss with your teen the types of work they are involved with and the training and supervision provided by the employer.

◆ Watch for signs that the job is taking too much of a physical or mental toll on your teen, especially if the job continues into the school year. How is your child's performance at school? If there is loss of interest in or energy for

school, the job may be too demanding.

Other signs of concern could include increased stress levels, anxiety, fatigue, depression, and use of alcohol or other drugs.

There's loads more information on the OSHA site, including a safety and health checklist.

Having a summer job does build responsibility and accountability in our teens, but let's make sure they are always safe!

Mail your questions to: Mary Ellen Brayton, Program Director, The Family Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, 48236 or call (313) 432-3832.

Blood pressure checked at concert

Adults attending Music in the Plaza in The Village on June 7 can get free refreshments and blood pressure checks, courtesy of The Sterling of Grosse Pointe and the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan. Blood pressure screenings will be conducted from 6 to 9 p.m. at The Sterling's sales gallery, 17027 Kercheval.

"We thought it was a good idea to offer blood pressure checks and a bit of rest at an event that attracts a lot of adults who should always be watchful of their blood pressure," said Sherrie Harder of The Sterling.

"Almost one third of the people with high blood pressure don't know that they have it, and it's a health problem that can sneak up on you if you're not smart about monitoring it," said Kay Renny, RN, VNA Community Program manager.

Other blood pressure facts:

- ◆ High blood pressure (hypertension) was listed as a primary or contributing cause of death for 277,000 Americans in 2002.
- ◆ There were more than 35 million physician office visits for hypertension in 2003.
- ◆ High blood pressure for adults is defined as a systolic

blood pressure of 140 mmHg or higher, or a diastolic blood pressure of 90 mmHg or higher. (Normal blood pressure is a systolic blood pressure of less than 120 mmHg and a diastolic blood pressure of less than 80 mmHg.)

◆ About 28 percent of American adults have "pre-hypertension," defined as a systolic blood pressure of 120-139 mmHg or a diastolic blood pressure of 80-89 mmHg.

For more information about the VNA blood pressure screening, call (313) 640-0200 or visit thesterlinggrossepointe.com.

Avoid vision loss with proper eyewear

With spring here and summer right around the corner, the warm weather will bring many residents out to play spring and summer sports.

To ensure everyone plays safely, doctors from the Michigan Optometric Association are calling for residents to get an eye exam and wear protective eyewear.

Most people don't associate spring and summer sports with the potential for eye injuries.

According to Teresa Seim, president of the Michigan Optometric Association, approximately 600,000 sports-related eye injuries occur in the United States each year, some of which will lead to irreversible vision loss.

Sports that pose a high-risk for eye injuries include basketball, soccer, baseball and lacrosse.

Having a thorough eye examination is a great way to start spring and summer

sports activities, Seim said. All sports have different visual demands and an optometrist can recommend the proper eyeglasses or contact lenses to help maximize visual skills for a specific sport.

Additionally, after the exam, an optometrist can recommend the most appropriate protective eyewear.

Because of their high level of involvement in sports, children in particular are vulnerable to eye injuries.

"Statistics prove that sports-related eye injuries are a significant public health problem among children in the United States," Seim said. "Unfortunately, only 15 percent of children wear protective eyewear when playing sports. Since proper vision affects how a person functions and succeeds in life, we need to get the word out about the importance of protective eyewear when playing sports."

Seim notes that using the

proper protective eyewear can prevent nearly all sports-related eye injuries.

Especially for sports played outdoors, appropriate eyewear is a must, and some sport specific designs may even help improve a person's playing ability.

"I caution adults and children to keep conventional frames off the playing field," Seim said. "Conventional frames often do not meet the minimum requirements for impact resistance in most sports, which can turn a small collision into a sight-threatening injury, a situation we definitely want to avoid."

In addition to prescribing glasses, contact lenses and protective eyewear, optometrists play a key role in a patient's overall health and are trained to recognize the effect that critical health issues such as diabetes, high blood pressure and allergies have on the eyes and vision.

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Special camp for Kids on the Go!

Kids on the Go, a summer educational program for special needs children, begins its ninth year this summer at a new location.

The program gets underway with a kickoff event scheduled for 9:30 a.m., Friday July 13, at its new location in the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

"Kids on the Go provided free therapy to 70 children last summer, helping them retain what they learned while teaching them new life skills," said Kristy Piana Schena, St. John Oakland Hospital speech-language pathologist.

"We provide needed services for children up to six years old. Most insurance companies restrict therapy services for children birth to six years of age, a crucial time in their development. We make sure they succeed."

Schena launched Kids on the Go in 1999, bringing an interdisciplinary approach to creative education. The program provides occupational therapy

for children ages 3 to 6 years for six weeks during summer months. Services are provided free to participants through scholarships. Costs are covered by fundraising and through donations by local businesses, charitable organizations and private donations. Kids on the Go has benefited more than 200 children since its inception, Schena said.

"I am so grateful for the continued support of so many of our sponsors. Without their generous contributions Kids on the Go would not be possible," she says.

"Their donations will affect the lives of so many special needs children this summer. I am also excited to be working with the Assumption Cultural Center that has graciously opened its arms to our program which desperately needed a home this summer."

Kids on the Go uses individualized education plans, helping children maintain their current skills throughout the summer months.

Each classroom is staffed by certified physical, occupational, and speech therapists. Groups are limited to nine children, providing a 1:3 therapist-to-child ratio.

The children are placed into classrooms according to their goals and skill level.

Donations of \$500 will provide a scholarship for one child; donations from \$100 to \$499 go to matching another sponsor to create a scholarship; and donations of \$5 to \$99 provide equipment and supplies.

"The open house gives a rare opportunity for people to actually see their donation in action, to see how they can make a difference, and who they are helping," Schena said. "It takes so little to do so much for a child. Kids on the Go makes sure the children who need extra help are able to receive it."

For more information on the annual Kids on the Go kickoff celebration and donation opportunities, call Schena at (248) 967-7917.

Enjoy the sun, but don't get burned

By Debra Pascoe
Special Writer

If you want to avoid skin cancer, stay out of the sun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., advises the American Cancer Society.

Dermatologist Lisa Nanc-Dulak, however, thinks that's asking way too much of Michiganders after a long, dreary winter.

"Life is too short to not go outside between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., so we should do the best we can to protect ourselves while outdoors," she said.

That begins by adding a broad spectrum sun screen that blocks out both UVA and UVB rays to the morning regimen. Nanc-Dulak recommends an SPF of no less than 15 for those with darker skin and 30 for the fair skinned and those with moles and/or a family history of skin cancer.

"Make sure the label says broad spectrum," she said, explaining the UVB rays are what causes sunburn and the UVA block augments the damage caused by the UVB rays.

According to the American Cancer Society, more than one million cases of basal cell or squamous cell cancers will occur in the U.S. Of those, more than 59,940 will be diagnosed with melanoma, the most deadly form of skin cancer, and more than 10,850 will die from melanoma and other non-epithelial skin cancers combined.

In Michigan, more than 2,080 residents are expected to be diagnosed with melanoma.

Dru Szczerba, director of prevention and healthcare for the American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division, said although risk factors vary for different types of skin cancer, those that sun burn easily, have difficulty tanning and with natural blond or red hair color are at major risk. Compounding the risk is a history of excessive sun exposure, including sunburns; use of tanning booths; sun lamps; diseases that suppress the immune system; a past history of basal cell or squamous cell skin cancers; and occupational

exposure to coal tar, pitch, creosote, arsenic compounds or radium.

Szczerba agrees with Nanc-Dulak's recommendations for avoiding complications.

"The best way to lower the risk of melanoma is to avoid too much exposure to the sun and other sources of UV light," he said. "By taking preventative measures against skin cancer such as avoiding sun exposure in the middle of the day when UV light is most intense; covering skin with protective clothing; wearing sunglasses; and using sunscreen and lip balm with an SPF factor of 15 or more, residents can protect themselves against this deadly form of skin cancer."

According to the American Academy of Dermatology and the American Cancer Society, people above the age of 6 months should use sunscreen daily. Those under six months should avoid the sun completely.

Nanc-Dulak said parents should keep their infants un-

der a canopied stroller and dress them in sun protective clothing.

When hitting the beach, Nanc-Dulak recommends one ounce of sunscreen should be applied over the entire body at least 20 to 30 minutes before leaving the house to give it a chance to soak into the skin. Cover up with lightweight clothing, including long sleeved shirts and wear a wide brimmed hat as well, she said.

Nanc-Dulak also advises keeping an eye out for new or suspicious growths or lesions on the skin and seeking medical advice if noted.

"Skin cancer is treatable and curable when caught early," she said. "Overexposure not only causes skin cancer but it may also cause lines and wrinkles and leathery skin."

"If you're dying to get a tan, get a safe tan in a bottle, or (spray on) Mystic Tan," she said, adding the products are made of vegetable dye and dihydroxyacetone that does not damage the skin.

And don't ever, ever use ba-

by oil to get a tan, she said.

For more information on skin cancer detection or pre-

vention, contact the American Cancer Society at (800) 227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

Sunburn home remedies

The deed is done. Your skin is the color of a boiled lobster — and it hurts.

Over the counter products, kitchen concoctions and old wives tales may help, but can they cause more damage?

"It's best not getting sunburn in the first place," said Lisa Nanc-Dulak, a local dermatologist. But if you do, she advises cold whole milk compresses, aloe or a good moisturizer to sooth the burn.

Over the counter hydrocortisone is also known to help reduce swelling, she said. But if blistering and fever follow, get thee to the doctor. "That may require stronger therapy," she said.

Nanc-Dulak said the use of household white vinegar risk may be dry skin.

What about ketchup?

"Ketchup? I've never heard of ketchup," she said.

Never use baby oil, she said.

While she believes the antioxidant qualities of the product may help, she advises against it. According to a search on the Web, using Noxzema face cream was listed several times as a cure.

Advice offered on Mothernature.com includes taking two aspirins every four hours to reduce the pain; applying witch hazel for temporary relief; soaking in a cool bath with or without Aveeno bath powder or baking soda; or slathering on yogurt.

For nighttime comfort, sprinkle talcum powder on the sheets or sleep on an inflatable mattress.

Golf classic in full swing

A Friday, June 8 dinner dance will kick off this year's Bon Secours Cottage Golf Classic fundraiser concluding with a golf tourney Monday, June 11.

The dinner dance, featuring the entertainment of the Teen Angels and silent and live auctions begins at 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 8, at the Country Club of Detroit.

Monday's Golf Classic features morning and afternoon shotgun starts at the Country Club of Detroit and includes a continental breakfast, barbecue lunch, golf contests, a silent auction and an awards reception following the last round.

Both events spotlight new programs and services that have been funded from event proceeds including the expansion and renovation of the Bon Secours Hospital operating room suites and emergency center, the Edith McNaughton Ford Center for Radiation Oncology and the Mary Gene Buhl Opperman Women's Diagnostic Center at Cottage Hospital. This year, funds are earmarked for the Healing Garden at Bon Secours Hospital.

For individual reservations or party and golf package information, call Nancy Jones, Bon Secours Cottage Foundation at (313) 640-2539.

Cancer Web site offers daily help

Good health is a product of many small decisions individuals make every day.

To help people make the best health decisions and keep health-related appointments, the American Cancer Society offers free Health Messaging Assistant and Health Reminder Assistant programs. Access is available at cancer.org/messageme and cancer.org/remindme.

The messaging assistant includes a series of weekly e-mail messages with useful information that can help people achieve and maintain good health.

The reminder site will inform participants when to get a screening or vaccination or to make an appointment for a check-up. Participants can get reminders via e-mail, telephone or Instant Messenger by accessing the site and selecting a specific message.



Members of the Bon Secours Cottage Golf Classic Committee who gathered to finalize plans for the upcoming golf classic are front row from left: Jackie Moon, Terry Hamilton, Roger F. McNeill, M.D., Marilyn Schneider, Douglas J. MacAskill, D.O., Golf Committee Chairman, Donna Hoban, M.D., William E. Brownscombe, D.D.S., Mary Beth Ryan, Joseph Tolari. Back row from left: G. John Stevens, Mona Gualtieri, James D. Adamo, M.D. and James C. Zurawski, M.D.

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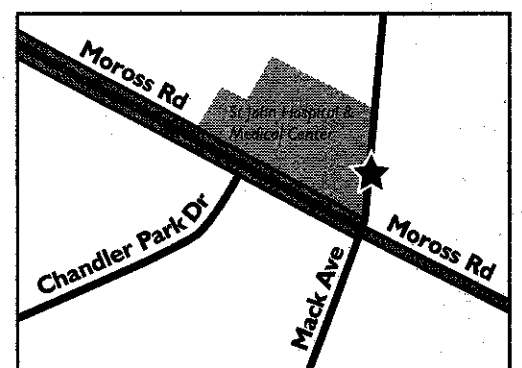
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DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

Garden themes create different moods



Mary Northcutt shared her late spring garden with me this week and thoughts of themes rang through my head.

Northcutt, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and president of the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, does a marvelous job of putting together small areas known as theme gardens throughout her larger garden. She knows where plants are happy and the conditions needed by certain plant groups, and puts them together in an attractive way.

Another friend talked earlier this year about planting an herbal tea garden. Icing up a

concoction of mint and lemon balm leaves tastes like a winner. Grow some lemon verbena, lemon balm and lemon thyme and you have a small lemon garden.

Situate the container-living Meyer Lemon Tree from indoors and the look starts to take shape.

While doing a search for sunshine this week in my yard, as the trees have grown and my basil and tomato pot needs to settle on its summertime home, I am reminded that the plants growing in theme gardens need the right conditions in which to grow. Keep yourself successful by reading the plant tags, doing a little research and asking questions about the plants for your theme gardens.

Keep water lovers together in that pond themed garden. Sun worshipers need at least six hours of full sun. Or, consider a woodland or Japanese



PHOTO BY KATHLEEN PEABODY

A meditative theme sets the tone for this shade-dappled spot.

garden for a shady yard. But as you add woodland plants to the soil, remember that the soil needs to reflect what is found in our forests. Lots of leaves, pine needles and rich, easily drained soil are best.

A garden's theme can be as large or small as you'd like. Think simply by using a single color. Envision a moon garden that emphasizes plants with either white flowers or cream-colored variegated leaves to reflect the light of the moon.

Consider a container garden with a theme. Use a pot or planter that sends the same message as the plants grown in it. Think of color and size as you create your vision. Look in the stores and catalogs to pick containers that express your inner joy. Or make your own. Get some old flower pots, cans, barrels, or watering cans. Clean them and apply a coat of paint or decorate with acrylics. Seal them with a clear coat or

two.

Then plant them up. Set at strategic places around the garden to brighten up dark corners or call attention to that special area. Set several at different heights in a grouping and create a striking focal point. Use containers with white-flowering plants to separate garden areas that are too full of non-complementary colors and create a pleasing rhythm at the same time.

In the mood for fragrance? The spring garden heralded hyacinth as its unforgettable fragrance. Summer gardens can include alyssum, lilies, and lavender in a sunny location. And, of course, a rose garden, perhaps with individual themes by names of roses. Princess Verona or Queen Bee are two Buck Roses (combined cold hearty roses with modern hybrid tea), that might lend a regal air to a themed rose garden.

Another way to set your theme is by the garden's purpose. Think here of butterfly gardens. They not only provide food for colorful visitors, but to be truly successful, suitable plants should be chosen on which the butterflies can lay their eggs. You can't have butterflies without caterpillars. So while planting the butterfly bush, lilac, coneflower and coreopsis, provide borage, clover, milkweed, and spice-bush to feed the young.

There are dozens of ideas for theme gardens. Think of your passion and go with it. Also consider a single theme, or second and multiple themes. Are you interested in a formal Mediterranean garden or something more natural? Perhaps you have three different ideas floating through your mind. Consider the smaller, separate gardens within the space. Large or small, theme gardens can add a sense of order, whimsy or environmental concern to how you choose to garden.

Two books share the lime-light when planning a theme garden. "Theme Gardens," by Barbara Damrosch gives explanations for 16 different theme gardens. Or "Theme Gardens," by Hazel White also shares ideas for planning and creating a garden with a theme. Both books are available in the Grosse Pointe libraries.

Visit the theme gardens at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Trial Gardens. A different theme is chosen by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center each year. See if you can guess the theme for 2007.

The inner herb gardens in-

clude fragrance, wedding, culinary and medicinal themes for each of the smaller gardens. And, while visiting, be sure to check out the Grace Harrison Children's Garden at the opposite end of the lawn. Laura Kennedy and her band of volunteers have created a new design with a children friendly A to Z theme.

Kathleen Peabody is an Advanced Master Gardener who lives (and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. Reach her online at kpeabody@grossepointe-news.com

What's going on?

◆ Maple Creek Farms (Community Supported Agriculture). There's still time to sign up for locally grown, organic produce delivered to a location near you. Online go to maplecreekfarm.com or call (810) 387-4365.

◆ Peony Garden Party, Saturday, June 9, Nichols Arboretum. More than 230 different kinds of peonies, one of the largest ornamental peony collections in North America. A day long garden walk is planned to raise funds to construct the Habitats Garden at Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Cost is \$10. Call (734) 662-8661 for more information.

◆ Annual Daylily Plant Sale, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, June 9. By Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society. First Congregational Church of Birmingham, Cranbrook Road. Huge selection. Color choices include pink, lavender, purple, ivory, rose, red, butter cream and white. Come early for best selection. Local hybridizers available to answer questions. First Congregational Church of Birmingham parking lot, Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills. For more information visit daylilyclub.com or frogsleap1@juno.com or (248) 363-7517.

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Anita Baker performs at Music Hall's Cars & Stars

Detroit's own Anita Baker performs at 7:30 p.m., Friday, June 8, during the Cars & Stars benefit for the Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts.

The concert is followed by a black tie, Hollywood-themed gala at the Detroit Athletic Club featuring the Johnny Trudell Orchestra.

Baker, who is currently re-

hearsing for a national tour, will also teach vocal master classes during the Music Hall's upcoming season. Applications for the classes will be available online at musichall.org.

"Anita Baker is a treasured jewel to Detroit and the world and her rare appearance at Cars & Stars will surely solidify this event as Detroit's biggest benefit concert of the year,"

said Music Hall President and Artistic Director Vince Paul. "We are thrilled to have Anita's support to help us fulfill our educational mission in the community."

The Cars & Stars event directly supports the center's efforts to reach and teach area children in underserved neighborhoods, recreation centers and public schools.

Concert tickets range from \$65 to \$125 and can be purchased online at ticketmaster.com; via phone at (248) 645-6666; or at the Music Hall Box Office.

Tickets for the black tie event, which includes the concert, dinner and dancing, are \$350. For more information or updates, visit musichall.org or call (313) 887-8501.

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The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival presents a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 17, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee.

Three works will be presented: Haydn's "String Quartet in D Minor, Op. 76, No. 2," Kirchner's "Second Piano Trio" and Schumann's "Piano Quartet in Eb, Op. 47."

Concert performers include Chee-Yun, Ida Kavafian, Steven Tenenbom, Peter Wiley, Andres Diaz, Anne-

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This is the 14th annual concert series presented by the chamber music festival.

Tickets are available for individual concerts or on a subscription series basis. Advance tickets for the Grosse Pointe performance are \$30, \$10 for those 25 and younger. Subscription prices range from \$125 for five concerts to \$160 for seven concerts.

For more information, call the festival office at (248) 559-2097.

For a full concert listing or to purchase tickets online, go to greatlakeschambermusic.com.

The Grosse Pointe performance is sponsored by National Coney Island, while the lead sponsors of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival are Comerica Wealth & Institutional Management and GM-XM.



Free jazz concert

The St. John Hospital and Medical Center Music on The Plaza concert series brings trumpet virtuoso Marcus Belgrave and his New Orleans Celebration at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 14. The concert will also feature Joan Bow and Charlie Gabriel.

Diamonds draw thousands to charity event

By Laura Phelps
Special Writer

Diamonds will sparkle and stars will shine at the 26th annual Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration presented by Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers.

Complete with a Hollywood walk of fame, celebrity impersonators, and a cash bar, this year's theme is "tribute to the stars." Event participants will walk the red carpet at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 23, at Comerica Park. The celebration is free. However, participants must be at least 21 years old to attend and dressy attire is required.

"It's always a very light-hearted happy event," said Rev. Jerry Smith, executive director of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

"It is a low cost event where

people can have a good time and at the same time make it possible for us to assist other families who need the basics."

Personalized Hollywood stars can be purchased with a donation of \$50 and are available up to 14 days in advance of the event.

They will be shipped to their sponsor afterwards.

Live music performers will include The Johnny Trudell Orchestra, The Mega 80's, Air Margaritaville, Robert Penn, and Chris Macres.

The Big Cat and Brushfire Grill will provide a variety of food for purchase.

Names will be drawn for raffle prizes valued at \$32,000 immediately after the 10:30 p.m. fireworks show. For the raffle, Ahee Jewelers donated a two-carat custom platinum diamond ring, watches by Rolex, Cartier, and David

Yurman, and jewelry by Roberto Coin and Mikimoto.

Tickets are \$1 each and available at Ahee Jewelers, Capuchin Soup Kitchen, and during the event at Comerica Park.

They can also be purchased online at ahee.com; cskdetroit.org; (313) 579-2100, ext. 201. One does not need to be present to win.

The first Capuchin event in 1981 was held at the Roostertail, accommodated 500 guests, and raised \$10,000.

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money and awareness.

"It (the event) has a great impact financially and for public relations and in making our name known in the community," said Smith.

"Especially with the economic climate these days, there is a real need for us to have a good return at the event."

Each month 300,000 pounds of food, 30,000 arti-

cles of clothing, and 500 pieces of furniture are distributed month by the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. All proceeds from the event go directly to the soup kitchen.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Sassy sauce comes to dinner



Amoglio sauce is a chunky, garlic tomato sauce that is served cold or at room temperature.

You'll find it at Italian restaurants served on the side to accompany breaded steaks or chicken cutlets or even with bread for dipping. My gal pal Antoinette Frontiera makes it for her family all the time. She shared the recipe just as her mom always made it while she was growing up. With just a few ingredients and just a few

minutes you can bring this flavor packed sauce to your family's dinner table. Guess what? No cooking required!

Antoinette's Amoglio Sauce

1 large (28 oz.) can whole tomatoes with juice
6 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
2 teaspoons dried oregano
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6 to 8 large garlic cloves, coarsely chopped
salt and pepper to taste
Use your hands to break apart the canned tomatoes into a medium bowl (don't forget the juice). Add the remaining

ingredients and stir well to combine. Serve chilled or at room temperature. For optimum flavor make the sauce ahead of time and chill. This will give the flavors time to marry.

Antoinette thinks the sauce is better when served at room temperature and I agree with her.

Amoglio sauce is a nice choice for steak from the grill. I served mine with crusty garlic bread.

This versatile sauce is perfect for the warm weather because you don't have to serve it warm. I see mussels or cooked fresh pasta in my amoglio future. Can't wait to make this sauce again.

Thanks Antoinette.

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GIRLS SOCCER DISTRICT

North blanks Ravens in final



Grosse Pointe North's Olivia Stander breaks away for one of her three goals against Royal Oak in the Division I district championship game.

Norsemen beat South in second OT in semifinals

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Watching Olivia Stander play soccer is a lot like watching LeBron James play basketball.

Each of them is capable of getting their teammates involved in the game, however, when the need is for one of them to take over the game, they're more than capable of doing that, too.

In Grosse Pointe North's 3-0 victory against Royal Oak in the championship game of the Division I girls soccer district hosted by the Norsemen, Stander scored all three goals and probably could have doubled that total.

A night earlier, when North beat Grosse Pointe South 3-2 in the second overtime period, Stander scored only one goal, but she figured prominently in the Norsemen's other two.

"She's getting better all the time in using her teammates, and getting them more involved in the game," said assistant coach Francesco Cilano after North had won the first Division I district title in the

school's history.

"We've stressed that because she sees so many defenses that are designed to stop her, so other people are left open."

"She's a great player," echoed head coach Chip Stencel of the sophomore forward, who has 32 goals this season after scoring 28 as a freshman. "We've played tough competition all year, so she hasn't padded her totals against poor teams."

North wasn't nearly as sharp against Royal Oak as it was in the South game, so Stander had to step up and carry the Norsemen into their regional semifinal game against L'Anse Creuse North.

"We didn't know a lot about Royal Oak," Stencel said. "They're a very disciplined team that moved the ball well."

He admitted that it was difficult to come back 24 hours after the emotional victory against South.

"The girls were very tired," Stencel said. "The length of the (South) game and the intensity took a lot out of them."

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South's Hartman is best in state

The state's tennis seeding committee knew what it was doing when it made Grosse Pointe South's Ben Hartman the top seed in the No. 1 singles flight.

Hartman didn't lose a set on his way to winning his first state championship.

The South senior, who has signed a letter of intent to play tennis at DePaul, defeated Ann

Arbor Pioneer's Andy Gauthier 6-3, 6-3 in the championship match. Gauthier went into the finals as the No. 3 seed.

Hartman won his first match 6-0, 6-1 against Ross Vanderploeg of Holland West Ottawa.

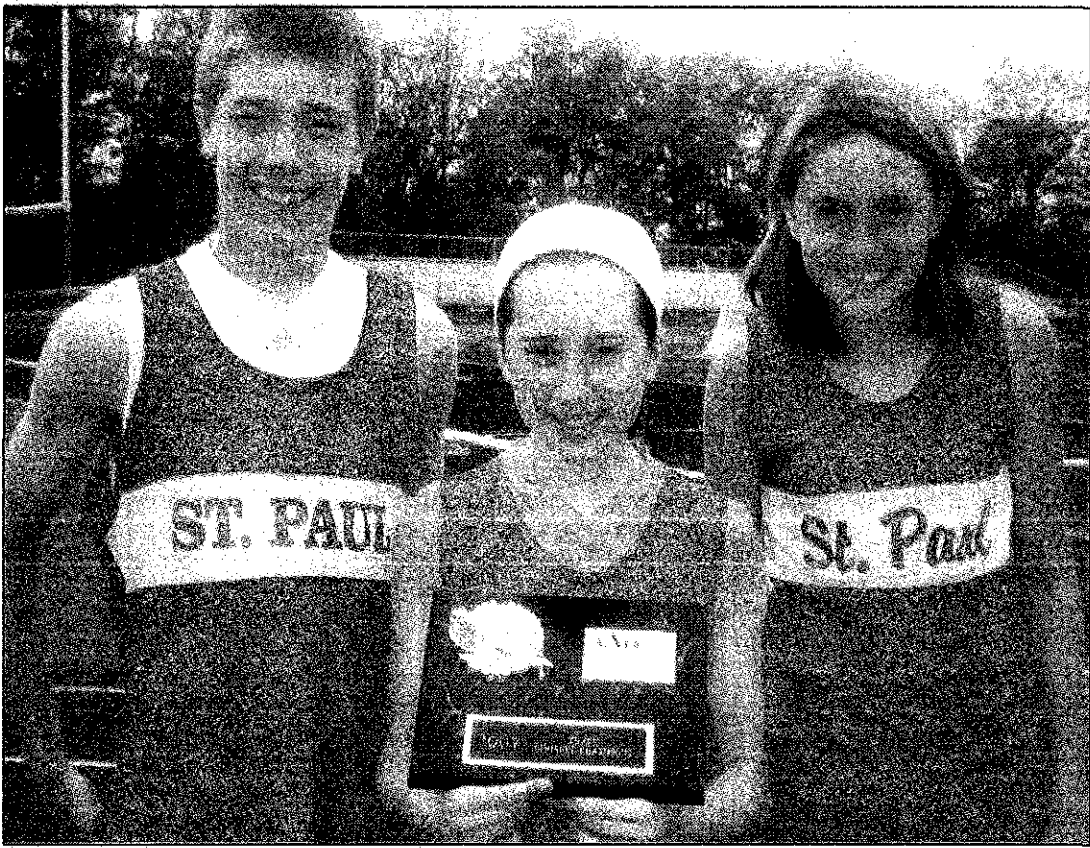
He then beat Midland's John Telfer 6-2, 6-2 in the quarterfinals and defeated the No. 4 seed, Adam Williams of West

Bloomfield, 6-0, 6-3 in the semifinals.

Last year, Hartman advanced to the semifinal round before losing a three-set match to Troy's Matt Parks.

Hartman's performance helped South finish fourth in the team standings.

Pioneer won with 36 points, Ann Arbor Huron had 28, West Bloomfield 19 and South 17.



CYO champs

Three runners from St. Paul had first-place finishes at the recent Catholic Youth Organization track finals at Catholic Central High School. Adam Nelson, left, won the boys 1,600-meter run in a school-record time of 5:04.82. Ivana Kakos, right, led from start to finish in the girls 1,600 run and broke her own school record with a time of 5:32.99. Haley Meier, center, came from behind to win the 800 run and set a school record with a time of 2:30.40. Nelson is in the eighth grade; Kakos, who won the cross country championship last fall, is a seventh grader; and Meier is in the sixth grade. The three champions are coached by Nancy and Tim Ponkowski.



GROSSE POINTE SOCCER ASSOCIATION TRAVEL LEAGUE TRYOUT SCHEDULE FALL 2007 - SPRING 2008 SEASONS

Grosse Pointe Soccer Association (GPSA) is currently holding open tryouts for the U19 boys and girls Travel Soccer Leagues. GPSA has a strong history of providing the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities with a positive environment in which players receive excellent training, develop outstanding soccer skills, learn life long lessons of teamwork, and make lasting friendships. The following is a schedule of the tryouts sessions:

GPSA TRAVEL TEAM TRYOUTS START JUNE 15, 2007

Age Group	Date	Time	Location	Contact
U-9	June 16	9:00 - 10:30am	Assumption	Luke Ciaramitaro C: 313-400-1330
	June 17	1:00 - 2:30 pm	Assumption	
U-10	June 16	11:00 - 12:30 pm	Assumption	Luke Ciaramitaro C: 313-400-1330
	June 17	10:00 - 11:30am	Assumption	
U-11	June 16	11:00 - 12:30 pm	Mack / Moross	John Sikorski C: 586-557-3849
	June 17	3:00 - 4:30 pm	Mack / Moross	
U-12	June 19 & 20	10:30 - 12:00 noon	Mack / Moross	Dan Kelly C: 248-875-3992
U-13	June 16	1:00 - 2:30 pm	Ford Field	John Sikorski C: 586-557-3849
	June 17	5:00 - 6:30 pm	Ford Field	
U-14	June 19 & 20	4:30 - 6:00 pm	Ford Field	Dan Kelly C: 248-875-3992
U-15	June 15 & 16	9:00 - 10:30am	Barnes	J.P. Laurenceau C: 586-457-1655
U-16	June 17	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Barnes	John Mellon C: 586-899-2356
U-17	June 19	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Ford Field	Dan Kelly C: 248-875-3992
U-18	June 16	3:00 - 4:30 pm	G. P. North	Marc Sneden C: 313-510-2261

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U-9	June 15 & 16	5:00 - 6:30 pm	Assumption	Jonathan Pickett C: 586-612-2005
U-10	June 15 & 18	3:00 - 4:30 pm	Assumption	Rob La Forest C: 586-855-7335
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U-12	June 15 & 16	11:00a - 12:30 pm	Barnes	J.P. Laurenceau C: 586-457-1655
U-13	June 15 & 16	6:30 - 8:00 pm	Ford Field	Tom Corsentino H: 313-882-1383
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U-15	June 15 & 16	3:00 - 4:30 pm	Barnes	Jonathan Pickett C: 586-612-2005
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U-18	June 18	5:00 - 6:30 pm	Barnes	Brad Carron C: 586-871-1007

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North, ULS win district titles

Knights score twice in the seventh to beat Parkway Christian in final game

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Some folks might have been concerned when Parkway Christian tied its district championship baseball game with University Liggett School last week, but Knights coach Dan Cimini wasn't one of them.

"Believe it or not, I wasn't worried," Cimini said after ULS scored a run in the bottom of the seventh inning to beat the Eagles 4-3.

The victory sent ULS into the Division IV regional semifinal against Waterford Our Lady of Lakes at noon Saturday at Parkway Christian.

"I expected the kids to come back, and they did," Cimini said. "We've been doing that all year. We've won a lot of one-run games. This game reminded me a lot of our game with Lutheran North, when we lost the lead and came back to win in extra innings. These kids never quit, and they have confidence in themselves."

It would have been a major upset if ULS hadn't won. The Knights have held the top spot in the state Division IV rankings for most of the season.

For a moment, it appeared as if ULS would have to go into extra innings if it was going to advance to the regional.

Patrick Gustine reached base on an error to lead off the seventh. With Curtis Fisher at bat, Cimini called for a hit-and-run and when Fisher hit a hard line drive to the right fielder, Gustine was easily doubled up.

"A couple of feet either side and Gustine scores the winning run, but Curtis hit a shot that the outfielder doesn't have to move a step for," Cimini said.

With two out, Michael Thomas singled to left field and stole second. D.J. Henderson, who made several outstanding defensive plays at shortstop early in the game, bounced a single up the middle and Thomas slid home just ahead of the throw.

"D.J. came through again," Cimini said. "And Thomas was hustling all the way. It might have been a close play if the throw had been down."

ULS scored twice in the first inning.

Fisher led off the game with a home run over the right field fence. Consecutive singles by Thomas, Henderson and Joe Conway produced the second run.

The Knights made it 3-0 in the third when Henderson singled, stole second and scored on Andrew Malaski's two-out single.

Henderson choked off a couple of potential Parkway rallies with two sparkling plays in the first inning and a fine grab of a line drive with a runner on base in the third.

"Those plays by Henderson made a statement," Cimini said. "Those were phenomenal plays, the kind you have to have if you're going to go a long way in the playoffs."

ULS also got a strong pitching performance from Fisher, who finished with a five-hitter and allowed only two earned runs. He struck out eight and didn't walk a batter.

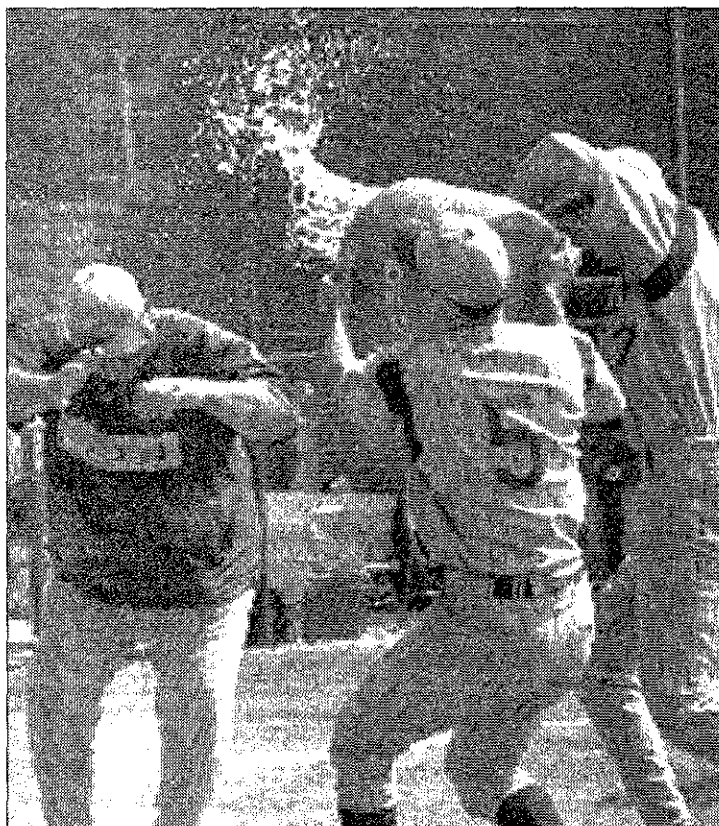
Fisher was cruising along with a one-hitter when David Fontana beat out an infield hit to start the sixth inning. He moved to second on a sacrifice, and took third on an infield single by Larry Houser. After Fisher recorded a strikeout, Matt Mallino lined a double into the right-center field gap, scoring both runs. Another infield hit sent Mallino to third, and he scored on an overthrow at first base, tying the game.

Parkway pitcher Mitch Michalski settled down after ULS scored in the third and allowed only one hit until Thomas's single in the seventh. ULS reached the championship game with an 18-0 semifinal victory against Macomb Christian.

Conway pitched a two-hitter and struck out eight.

Henderson, Thomas and Malaski each collected two hits for the Knights, while Jeremiah Manning drove in three runs with a two-run single and a groundout.

Seven ULS players were named to the all-district team. They were Fisher, Henderson, Thomas, Conway, Gustine, Manning and Tommy Graves.



PHOTOS BY WILL HARRAH

Mike D'Agnesse (5) and a teammate dump a water bucket on coach Frank Sumbera after Grosse Pointe North's district championship victory. In the bottom photo, winning pitcher Matt Koppinger delivers a ball to the plate against Grosse Pointe South. Koppinger gave up two first-inning runs, then blanked the Blue Devils the rest of the way.



Defending state champion Norsemen defeat South after beating East Detroit

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Playing twice in stifling heat didn't seem to bother Grosse Pointe North's baseball team.

It just seemed to make the Norsemen's bats hotter.

"Give them credit, they hit the ball," Grosse Pointe South coach Dan Griesbaum said after North's 12-2 victory against the Blue Devils in the Division I district championship game hosted by South.

They certainly did.

North collected 16 hits, including eight in a seven-run second inning, in the game that was halted after the fifth inning by a mercy rule.

"The East Detroit game set us up for this," said North coach Frank Sumbera.

"It sounds silly that playing two games in 90-degree weather would be good, but we faced a good pitcher in the East Detroit kid (Steve Gore) and it just carried over to the South game."

The Norsemen beat East Detroit 5-1 in the district semifinal.

The defending state Division I champions will host the regional Saturday. North is scheduled to play at 10 a.m. against the District 23 champion.

South's scheduled semifinal game against Detroit Finney was a forfeit because the Highlanders had only a handful of players show up.

The Blue Devils jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning of the championship game. Ryan Abraham walked and took second on Chris Stephens's one-out single. Both runners moved up on a wild pitch and scored on Mike Herzog's double.

North, which went out in order in the first, erupted with one out in the second.

Nick Cullen walked, took second on Robert Briski's single and scored on a hit by Phil Dilone. Tim Tibauda was hit by a pitch and Marc Reno drove in the tying run with a bad-hop single. Mike D'Agnesse's double to left drove in three runs. D'Agnesse was out trying to stretch it into a triple, but Mike Stevenson followed with a home run over the center field fence. Matt Koppinger singled and scored the final run of the inning on a double by Jon Chapel.

The victim of the North uprising was Max Pearson, who had pitched so effectively against the Norsemen earlier this season. Pearson blanked North on one hit through six innings of relief when the teams met the first time this season, and he pitched two strong innings to close out the Blue Devils' victory in a weekend tournament championship game.

"We did a good job of waiting for a pitch that we could hit," Sumbera said. "We made him throw a lot of pitches."

North's offense didn't slow down after Pearson left. Reno singled home Dilone in the third inning, and the Norsemen added four runs in the fifth. Briski singled home the first run and D'Agnesse capped the frame with a three-run homer.

Koppinger scattered six hits to earn the victory.

He worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the second inning and he stranded two runners in the third.

"Leaving the bases loaded in the second hurt," Griesbaum said.

"If we could have scored a few runs there and cut it to 7-4 or 7-5, it might have been a different game."

Working out of the jam and having a comfortable lead seemed to invigorate Koppinger, who was the MVP of the Macomb Area Conference White Division this season.

"Once we got the big lead he got fired up and just went after

them with the fastball," Sumbera said.

"We hit the ball a lot better and we made the plays in the field. Tibauda made a great play at third base."

Stevenson and Dilone each had three hits for North, while D'Agnesse, Briski and Reno collected two apiece.

D'Agnesse finished with six RBIs.

Stephens and Herzog collected two hits apiece for South.

Tibauda pitched a four-hitter and struck out seven in North's win against East Detroit.

The Shamrocks scored a run in the first on singles by Gore and Marsh LaManna and a sacrifice fly by Larry Painter.

North manufactured a pair of runs in the second on a walk to Karl Tech, a bunt single by Reno, a walk to D'Agnesse, a wild pitch and a double steal. The Norsemen added two more runs in the fifth on walks to Stevenson and Koppinger, a wild pitch, and Cullen's two-run single. Reno capped the scoring with a home run in the sixth.

"Reno has really picked it up this year," Sumbera said. "We were counting on him last year, but he got hurt."

South athletic director Brandon Slone and Griesbaum were especially annoyed that no one from Finney called on the day of the game to say that they didn't have enough players.

This was the second year in a row that a Detroit Public School League team has forfeited in the district.

Sumbera said that he could understand why South would be upset over the forfeit.

"You come out here to play a baseball game, and then have to sit around," he said. "That's why I'm glad we played."

South ended the season with a 23-12 record.

"You're always sad to see the seniors play their last game," Griesbaum said. "We had six seniors that gave a lot to the program, but we have 15 juniors and a sophomore that give us encouragement for next year."

"There were times this season that I thought we were capable of beating anybody and we did beat some very good teams. More than anything, it was inconsistency that set us back. But that's what happens when you're young."

North beat Detroit Denby 17-0 in a pre-district game that lasted only three innings.

Koppinger started and struck out five of the six batters he faced. Ryan Dewberry pitched the third and struck out the side.

The Norsemen scored 11 runs in the first inning.

Koppinger, Cullen, Dilone and Reno each had two hits. Koppinger and Cullen drove in three runs apiece and Dilone knocked in a pair.

North also swept a non-league doubleheader from Rochester Stoney Creek.

The Norsemen won the opener 12-7.

Briski had three doubles, including a two-run hit to cap a six-run first inning, and he finished with four RBIs. Cullen had a two-run single in the first.

Stevenson had two hits, including a two-run homer in the fourth.

Tibauda pitched the first three innings to get the win. He was followed by Mike Doak, Danny Malfouris and Chris Vens.

Koppinger's walk-off two-run single in the sixth gave North a 6-5 victory in the second game.

The Norsemen scored four runs in the sixth.

D'Agnesse had three hits, Koppinger went 2-for-2 with two walks and four RBIs, and Dilone had two hits, including a double, and drove in a run.

Pat Oliver got the win in relief.

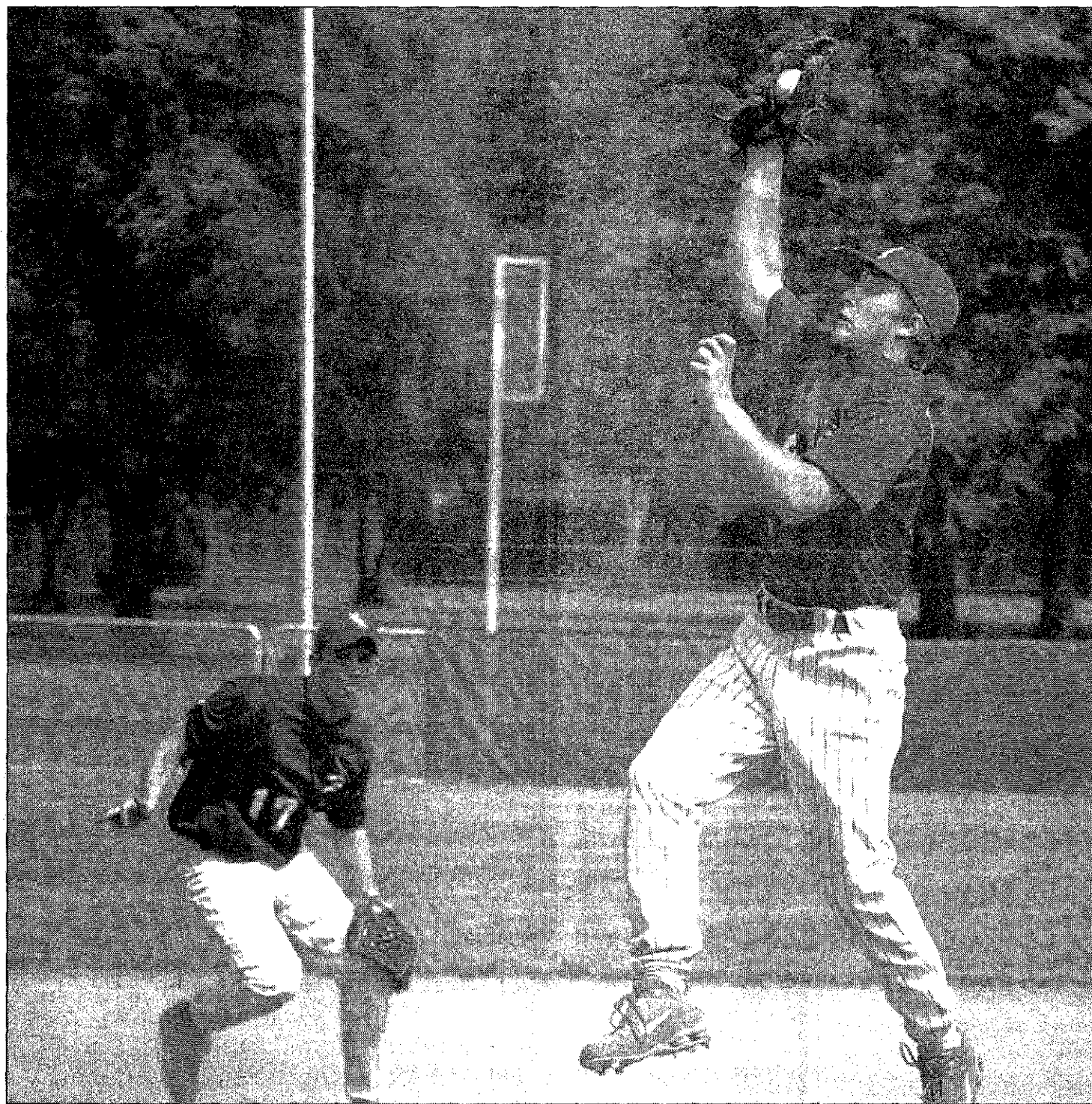


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University Liggett School pitcher Curtis Fisher leaps for a ground ball during the Knights' district championship game against Parkway Christian. Watching the action is third baseman Joe Conway.



Grosse Pointe South's Sam Mott flies through the air as he scores a goal against Cranbrook Kingswood.

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North, South ousted by Cranbrook

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Host Grosse Pointe South's boys lacrosse team put its heart and soul into its Division 2 regional championship game against defending state champ and perennial state powerhouse Cranbrook Kingswood last weekend.

When the final horn sounded, the Blue Devils were two

goals short of the Cranes on the scoreboard, losing 11-9.

"We gave it our best shot and fell a little shy," South head coach Don Wolford said. "We left it all on the field today and gave Cranbrook a battle."

"We had every opportunity to win this game."

The difference in the game was Cranbrook Kingswood's all-state forward Andrew Miller. The state's best ice

hockey player as voted on by coaches, played a hand in eight of the Cranes' 11 goals by netting three goals and five assists.

The Blue Devils fell behind 8-5 and 11-7 in the second half, but stormed back each time to get within striking distance.

Each time they would get within a goal or two in the final two periods, they would hit a post and sail a shot just wide,

giving possession back to the Cranes.

Wolford's squad led 3-2 after the opening period, but fell behind 6-5 at the half. It trailed 10-7 after the third period and outscored the Cranes 2-1 in the fourth quarter.

Junior Sam Mott led the Blue Devils with three goals and one assist. Seniors Brian Greiner and Matt Naber each had two

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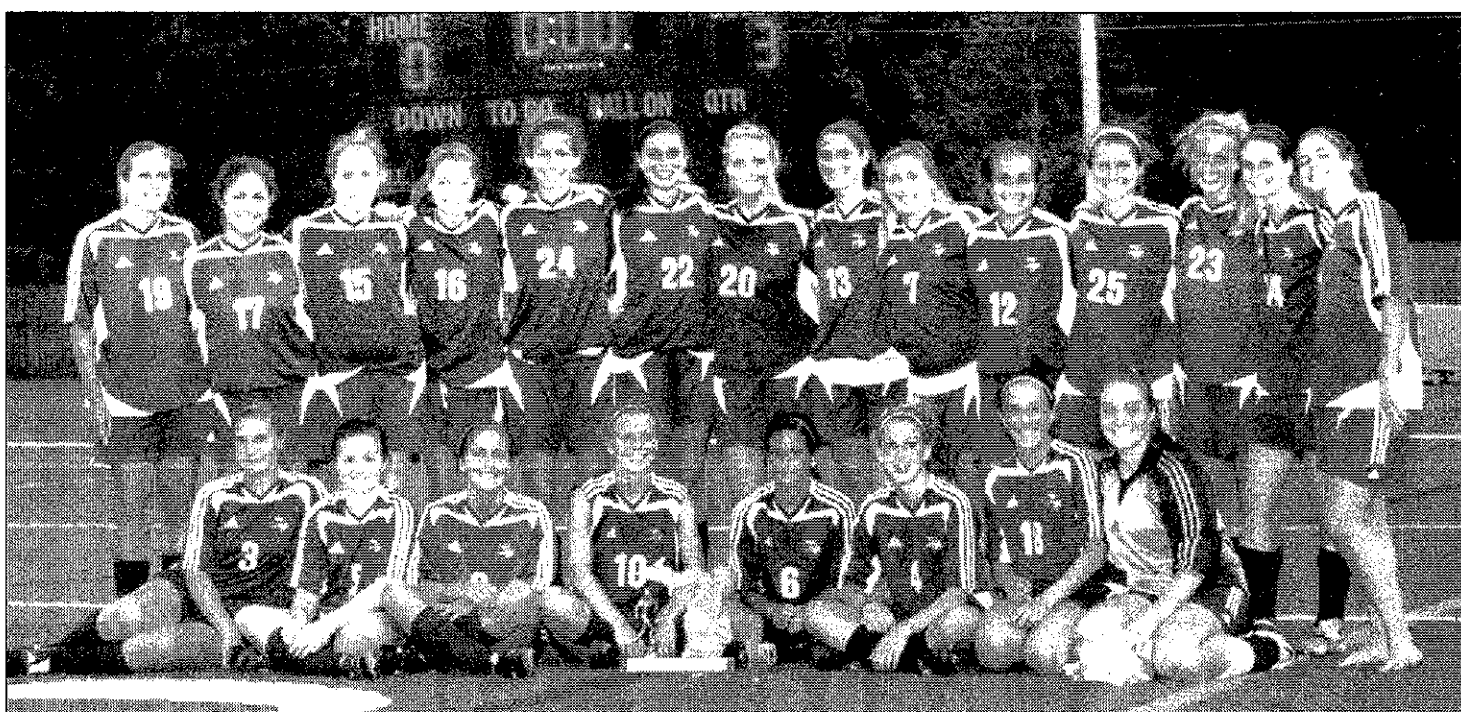


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Grosse Pointe North's soccer team celebrates after winning its first state Division I district championship.

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The Royal Oak game was scoreless until Stander scored the first of her three with 22:54 remaining in the first half. Stander gained control of the ball, came down the right side of the field and sent a low shot to the left corner of the goal.

Royal Oak threatened late in the half, but a good play by Allison Everett broke up a drive by the Ravens.

Stander nearly scored off a rebound early in the second half, but she scored her second of the game with 25:31 remaining when she got a perfect pass from Everett and drilled a high shot into the far left side of the net.

Stander completed her hat trick on a breakaway with 26 seconds left in the game.

North moved up to the Macomb Area Conference Red Division this season, and the better competition is paying off.

"Playing against the Red teams has helped us," Stencil

said. "We don't have to adjust to the speed as much when we play the better teams."

In the South game, freshman Sami Filippelli scored the winning goal on a high shot from about 25 yards out only 36 seconds into the second overtime period.

Her goal capped a strong second half by the Norsemen, who overcame a 2-0 lead by the Blue Devils.

"We talked at halftime about South being such a confident, aggressive team, and we had to match their confidence in the second half," Stencil said. "I thought that during the first 10 minutes of the second half, we started to take control of the game."

Anna Cunningham, assisted by Emma Brush, opened the scoring for South 10 minutes into the match.

The Blue Devils made it 2-0 on Lindsay Krall's goal after a nice pass from Kara Trowell with just under 11 minutes remaining in the first half.

With about two minutes left in the half, Stander made it 2-1 when she scored on a header, assisted by Paula Kennedy.

A minute and 19 seconds into the second half, Stander hit the crossbar but the rebound came to Danielle Przepiorka

and she put it into the net to tie the match at 2-2.

The defenses on both teams made some good plays to preserve the tie. Hannah Clor, Megan Herbst, Everett and Christina Schucker turned in strong games on defense for North, while South got another strong game from Sarah Stanczyk, along with Danika Stone.

Stencil praised the performances of freshman midfielders Nikki Capizzo and Filippelli, who helped pick up the slack for the loss of Chelsea Detrick, who suffered season-ending injury.

"I hate to say it takes two people to replace Chelsea, but those freshman both stepped up," Stencil said. "Losing her is like losing the heart of your team."

Both Stencil and Cilano noted that Detrick was on the bench providing support for her teammates.

"We needed everybody," Cilano said. "Even the people on the bench."

North began state tournament action with a 5-0 victory against Cousino. Stander led the way with three goals and an assist.

South opened with an 8-0 victory against Warren-Mott

that was called on a mercy rule 6:41 into the second half.

Cunningham started the scoring for the Blue Devils less than two minutes into the match after taking an excellent cross from the right corner by Amy Hathaway. Hathaway had taken a long pass from Trowell to set up the scoring opportunity.

Only 3 1/2 minutes later, Brush headed home a pass from Trowell, leaving little doubt about South's superiority. Emily McLaughlin got the third goal on an easy tap-in, assisted by Hathaway.

South coach Gene Harkins then made a rare 11-player substitution. Erika Kay completed the first-half scoring with a solid shot off a pass from Ana Harris.

Harris, Katherine Bowman and Rae Sklarski had been moved up from the junior varsity after helping that squad to a 15-1-1 record.

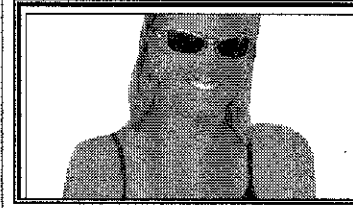
Cunningham and Hathaway each scored twice in the second half.

McLaughlin and Hathaway assisted on both of Cunningham's goals, while Cunningham set up each of Hathaway's.

South had a 20-0 advantage on shots on goal.

ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

No kudos for Mother Nature



I can't imagine how many Grosse Pointers were on the 201 boats or among the dozens of volunteers involved in race management at the 2007 Sperry Top-Sider Detroit NOOD regatta last weekend.

But they'll all know what I'm talking about when I say sometimes Mother Nature doesn't cooperate.

Friday was a beautiful, if warm day. For golf. With no breeze on any of the three circles of racing set on Lake St. Clair, the race committee postponed for several hours. Finally during mid afternoon, there was enough wind for everyone to get one race completed.

I can't complain about Saturday as my circle had three races and the other courses had two races in steady, if light, breeze.

Sunday was another story. With no breeze, rain cells and threats of major storms, the race committee flew the postponement flag at the dock early so no boats would head out to the lake. Then race organizers "pulled the plug" on the final day at about 10:30 a.m. By regatta rules, they could not start a race after 2 p.m., which gave them a shrinking window of sailing opportunity as the morning went on.

There was, of course, the usual 20-20 hindsight at the bar, which dutifully waited until noon to open. (That's an archaic law, preventing alcohol sales before noon on Sunday, but that's another column...) Some questioned why the race committee wouldn't take us out and try, after all, it wasn't THAT bad out.

Others appreciated the cancellation - who wants to sit out on the lake in the rain when we can hide under mini-van back hatches in the parking lot to wait it out? An old-timer told me that back in the good old days (presumably before radar and other weather forecasting technologies), we would have been out there and had to just figure out how to sail in heavy air.

But when a large gust nearly tore the sponsor banners off the tent just before the awards ceremony started, the race committee seemed a bit smarter.

To get an idea of how the race managers made their decision, I talked to Grosse Pointe Park's Marcia Everingham. She was the

Principal Race Officer on the B Circle last weekend. Here's a summary of our conversation:

The three principal race officers, Marcia Everingham, Ted Everingham and Tim Rumpitz, arrived at Bayview between 7:30 and 8 a.m. As the Everinghams, who are married, were leaving their home, they heard thunder over the lake and when they reached the club, they saw lightning over Canada.

With no wind on the river, the PROS sent one of the mark boats out onto Lake St. Clair to monitor the situation.

"We also knew if we were going to postpone, we had to do it immediately because some boats might be leaving the club because of the distance they had to travel," Marcia Everingham said.

At 8:23 a.m. the postponement flag went up in the harbor. Gordie Smith, of Grosse Pointe Farms, talked to the PROs every 15 minutes from the lake where he was aboard his power boat "New Goose."

"We started doing some back timing situations about if we left right this minute, what's the earliest time we could start a race practically speaking. That gave us a limit," Everingham said.

By mid morning, Smith reported in that conditions were improving.

"There was some wind developing on the lake but the radar was showing that there were some severe storms down in Ohio that were definitely heading our way. It was just a matter of when they would get here or if they would possibly dissipate," Everingham said.

The PROS determined that if they did send boats out, it was likely a storm would hit shortly after racing began. At about 10:30 a.m., they abandoned racing for the day and announced the earlier time for the awards ceremony.

"The decision was difficult because we know everybody comes there to sail and we just hadn't had enough of that over the weekend. But safety of the competitors is primary, it just has to be," Everingham said.

Reflecting on her 20 years of race management, Everingham believes race committees are making better informed decisions about when to postpone or abandon racing because of improved weather forecasting technologies, radar and the Internet.

"While sailing is a fun thing to do, it can be a dangerous thing to do too," she says.

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Griesbaum school has openings

There are still openings available for the Dan Griesbaum Summer Baseball School, which will be held the last two weeks in June at Defer Elementary School.

A general skills camp, which covers hitting, pitching and outfield play, will be held on June 20 and 21.

A specialty camp will be held on June 25 and 26. It will concentrate on hitting, pitching and catching.

The cost is \$90 for each

two-day session. The camp is open to players between the age of 8 and 17.

Brochures are available at the Neighborhood Club and in the main office at Grosse Pointe South High School.

For more information, call one of the camp directors — Griesbaum at (313) 884-7834 or Matt Reno at (313) 886-5537.

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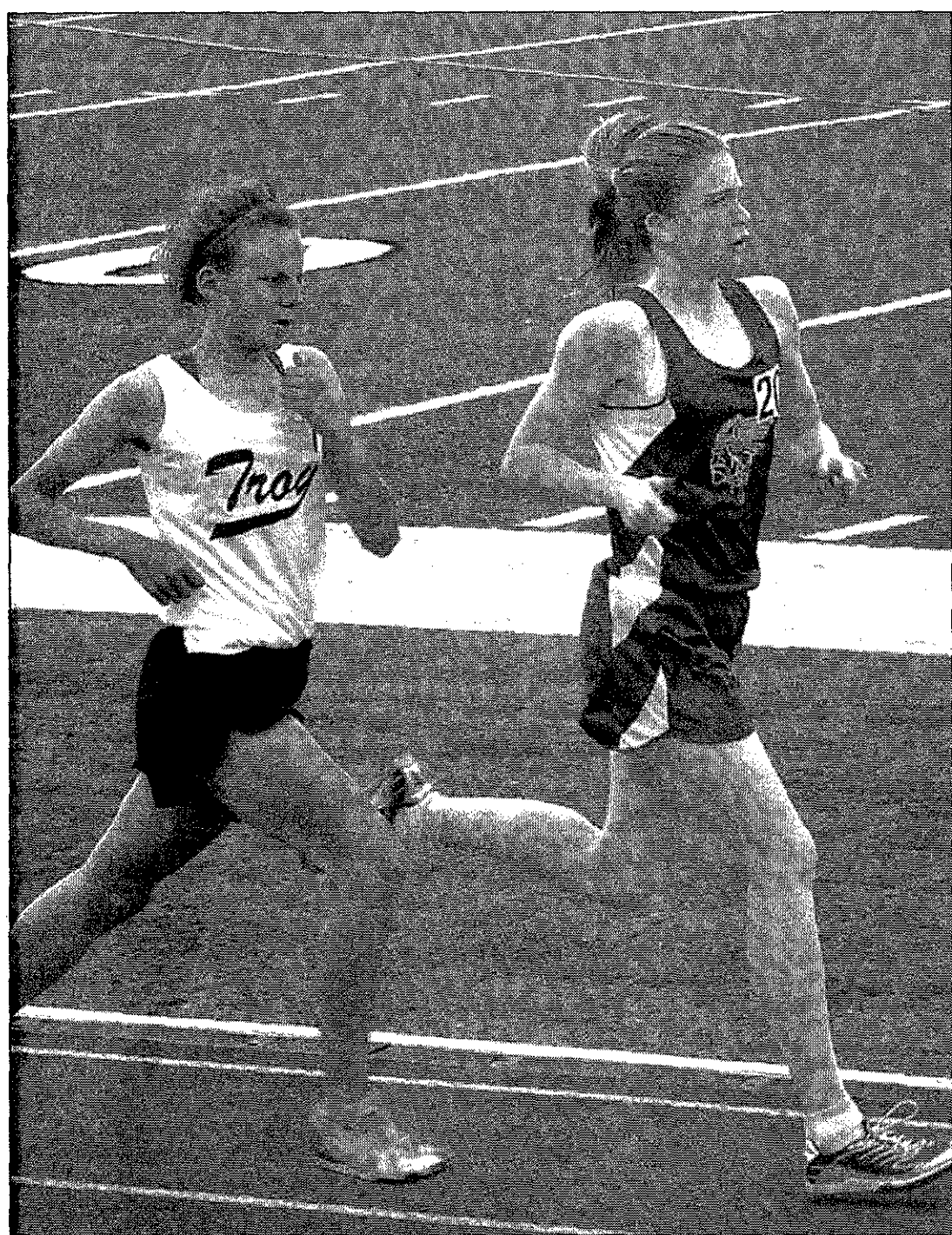
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Grosse Pointe North's Betsy Graney holds off a Troy runner in the 1,600-meter run at the Division I state track championships. Graney finished seventh to earn All-State mention for the second straight season.

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Two Norsemen earn All-State track honors

Two Grosse Pointe North athletes earned All-State honors at last weekend's girls Division I state track championships at East Kentwood High School.

Betsy Graney, a senior who has signed a letter of intent to run track and cross country at William and Mary next fall, was seventh in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 5:06.

Christine Klein was sixth in the high jump when she cleared 5-feet-4, tying the North school record.

Other highlights for the North girls team were a pair of school records in relays.

The 800 relay team of Anitra Peoples, Kelly DeFauw, Haley Abessinio and Katie Raymond

finished ninth — missing a medal by one place — with a record time of 1:45.69.

The 1,600 relay team of Abessinio, DeFauw, Katie Graves and Graney also finished ninth with a time of 4:01.99.

Graney will be a member of Team Michigan at the Midwest Meet of Champions on Saturday at Jackson High School.

She is only the third North athlete to participate in the meet, joining Marcell Maxwell (2005) and Vince Hendon (2006) in the select group.

Last year, Graney was fourth in the state finals. She is also a three-time All-Stater in cross country.

LACROSSE: South bows in regional final

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goals in their final high school lacrosse game.

Juniors Alex Langton and Evan Welch chipped in with one goal apiece. Langton added three assists and Welch recorded two assists for the Blue Devils, which ended the season 15-6 overall.

"We lose some talented players, but overall we should be in good shape next spring," Wolford said.

"We beefed up our schedule to play tougher competition, which will pay off during the playoffs."

"Cranbrook played some very good competition and it helps when it comes time to play the tight, crucial playoff games."

In the regional semifinals, South crunched Okemos 17-7, while North put a scare in Cranbrook Kingswood before losing 12-5.

"We played pretty well against the defending state champ and, I think, put a scare into them," North head coach Dan Preston said. "We really made it interesting early in the third period before Cranbrook pulled away."

"I'm extremely proud of our guys, especially our four defensemen who led the charge."

The Norsemen trailed 7-3 at the half, but scored the first two goals of the third period to cut the deficit to two, 7-5.

"We had a chance to make it closer," Preston said. "We hit four pipes, but we made a few mistakes that Cranbrook capitalized on."

Nate Kinnear scored twice to lead the Norsemen. Other goal scorers were James Tocco, Brandon Davenport and Ian LaValley.

North finished 11-6 overall in Preston's first year at the helm.

"We have a lot of talent coming back and our junior varsity squad had a good season," Preston said. "We're very excited about our chances next year."

The host Blue Devils played better than in their previous game against Romeo, according to Wolford.

"The focus was there tonight that was not against Romeo," Wolford said. "It helped that our guys didn't know anything about Okemos. They put together three very solid quarters with the exception of a lethargic third period."

"We played with spirit tonight and won handily."

Okemos scored the first goal in every quarter, but South clearly was the better team, scoring four times in the opening period and eight more in the second to build a commanding 12-3 halftime advantage.

The Blue Devils cruised in the second half and never allowed the Chiefs to mount any type of rally.

Greiner and Naber led the attack with four goals apiece, followed by Sam Hull with three and Welch with two. Other goal scorers were Mott, Mike Wolcott, Langton and Chris Thomas.

North seniors end with good efforts

By Chuck Klönke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys track coach Pat Wilson had mixed feelings on the ride home from the state Division I championships last weekend at East Kentwood High School.

He had plenty to be pleased with.

Several seniors, including Robbie Fisher who was fifth in the 1,600-meter run, made strong showings in their final high school meet.

Junior DeRhon Pines was third in the high jump.

All three of the relay teams that qualified for the state meet came within a whisker of achieving their best times of the season.

The disappointment came in knowing that he wouldn't be coaching Fisher, DeAndre Henderson, Steve Joseph and the other seniors anymore.

"They're going to be hard to replace," Wilson said. "Not only are they outstanding athletes, but they're quality guys. I've enjoyed having them around."

Fisher's time in the 1,600 was a personal-best 4:19.95.

"That's the way to finish up," Wilson said. "It's the first time this year that Robbie has been in a race that intense, and he gave it a good shot. They got out a lot faster in the early stages than anyone expected."

This was the third year in a row that Fisher earned All-State honors in the 1,600, and he is also a two-time All-Stater in cross country. He was fourth in the 1,600 last year and eighth as a sophomore.

"He's been a tremendous competitor, and a great team leader," Wilson said. "He came in with high expectations and he hasn't disappointed anyone. He's had a tremendous career here."

Fisher and Henderson will both be competing at Miami University next season.

Henderson, who failed to qualify for the state meet in the high hurdles — his best event — because another runner knocked a hurdle into his path, anchored the 4x100 relay that ran a 43.5 and was also part of the 4x200 relay that missed a season-best time by a tenth of a second. He also just missed a personal record in the 300 hurdles.

"DeAndre's had a great career, too," Wilson said. "He broke the school record in the highs that had stood for more than 20 years. He'll be tough to replace on those two relays."

That's the bad news. The good news is that the other three runners in the 4x100 (Blest Norris, Theron Carter and Aaron Price) and the 4x200 (Norris, Carter and Adam Devine) are all underclassmen.

The 4x400 relay ran under 3:30 at the state meet.

"That's only the second time we've broken 3:30 in the mile relay since I've been here, and this team did it both times," Wilson said.

Wes Raynal is the only senior on that team, that includes Devine, Andrew Charnesky and Paul Bramos.

Pines cleared 6-feet-5 in the high jump, which is only one inch away from his best effort.

"DeRhon was very confident and poised," Wilson said. "He didn't miss until they set the bar at 6-5. He was hurt most of last season, but he made great strides this season."

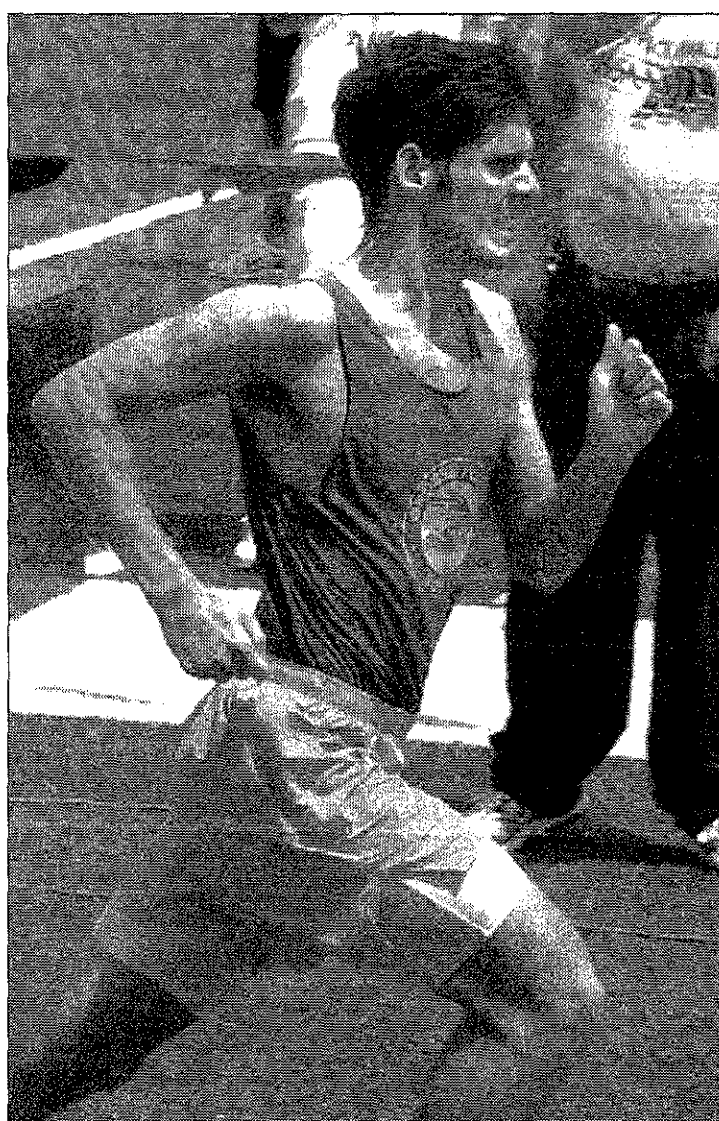
Joseph ran a strong race in the 1,600.

"He was right around his PR," Wilson said. "That's the second time he's been under 4:30. Steve ran well all season. We could count on Robbie and Steve to give us a 1-2 in the 1,600. Steve would have been the top miler on a lot of teams in the state."

Norris ran well in the sprints.

"Blest had a tremendous season," Wilson said. "He's another one who really improved this year."

Fisher will represent North on Friday night in the Midwest Distance Gala, which will be held at Elmhurst College, just outside Chicago. The meet includes most of the premier distance runners in the Midwest.



Grosse Pointe North's Robbie Fisher finished fifth in the state in the 1,600-meter run.

North girls capture lax regional crown

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

It wasn't easy, but Grosse Pointe North's girls lacrosse team prevailed 10-9 over host South Lyon in a Division I regional championship game last weekend.

It is the Norsemen's first trip to the Final Four since 2002.

"We jumped out on top early, but then South Lyon scored six unanswered goals to take a 7-3 lead," North head coach Bill Seaman said. "We had to regroup in a hurry or else go home a loser."

Christine Rabaut scored to make it a 7-4 game at the half.

Seaman's crew put on its own goal streak and eventually grabbed an 8-7 advantage.

However, the home team was able to push two goals on the board to retake the lead, 9-8, with 5:39 left.

"We didn't have any timeouts left; so we were just going to have to talk this out," Seaman said.

Alexa Quinlan put a shot over the goalkeeper's shoulder to tie it with 3:45 left and Kate Zemenick tallied the game winner with only 23 seconds left.

North grabbed possession with two minutes remaining in the game and held it until Zemenick's rush and goal.

South Lyon was able to get a couple of shots on net in the final seconds, but both missed the mark and North escaped with a win.

"The worst thing to happen to South Lyon was the two-hour weather delay," Seaman said. "It took away all of their momentum and allowed us to gather ourselves and refocus."

Zemenick, Quinlan, Rabaut and Phelicia VanOverbeke each had two goals. Natalie Tocco, the hero of the regional semifinal, and Lindsey Rader also scored for the victors.

North improved to 14-3 overall.

The Grosse Pointe South-Grosse Pointe North girls lacrosse rivalry was supposed to continue last weekend in the regional finals with a spot in the state semifinals on the line.

That didn't occur, thanks to South Lyon, which pulled off a stunning 9-8 upset victory over four-time defending state champ Grosse Pointe South in

a regional semifinal game.

"We didn't play up to our potential for two complete halves and it cost us in the end," South head coach Erin Stewart said. "The girls, especially our six seniors, were extremely disappointed because they let an opportunity slip away."

"It would have been great to face North in the regional finals, but we weren't focused enough to beat a tough South Lyon team."

The Lady Blue Devils used goals from six different players to build an 8-5 halftime lead.

The game was delayed 30 minutes after the halftime due to thunder and lightning.

When the second half commenced, it was all South Lyon.

"The girls never showed up for the second half," Stewart said. "They totally lost their focus, but in the end we still had our opportunities to score and send the game to overtime or even win it."

South Lyon scored the winning goal with 1:37 left. South was able to possess the ball and get four shots on net. However, each shot was directed right at the goaltender.

"We had to pick a corner and not shoot the ball at the goalie's chest," Stewart said. "This is a tough loss and I know our returning players will think about this for a long time."

"I expect them to come back very hungry next spring."

South finished the season 8-6-1 overall.

North faced a tough Farmington team, but came away with an 11-8 win to move into the finals.

"We twice trailed in the first half (5-4 and 6-5) before rallying to take an 8-6 halftime lead," Seaman said. "It turned out to be a much tougher game than the first time we played them this season."

Farmington scored the first two goals of the second half and held North scoreless for the opening 16 minutes.

Tocco scored the game-winning goal with 8:57 left. VanOverbeke and Quinlan scored insurance goals.

"We had to overcome some adversity in the regionals, including overcoming a four-goal deficit for the first time in our playoff history," Seaman said.

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18261 Ash, Eastpointe. Saturday/ Sunday 10am-4pm. Furniture, household items, jewelry, collectables, Christmas decorations, power tools. No early birds!

2073 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Woods 1 block West of Mack. Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 9am-5pm. Huge multi-family sale!

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3911 Courville, Detroit. Off Mack, 2 block West of Outer Drive. June, 8th, 9th, 10th. 9:00am-4:00pm. Blue & white dishes, Asian style accents, kitchenware, lamps, chandeliers, miscellaneous furniture, garden follie, desks, file cabinets, lateral file, books, magazines, suitcases. Old torn jeans, cool baskets & other fun stuff.

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FARMS, 292 Kerby. Friday, 9am. Three family sale! Designer adult/ children's clothing (new with tags), Vintage, jewelry, Lilly Pulitzer, furs, designer home goods, playhouse, Little Tikes, motorized child's motorcycle. Cash only! Rain date: 6/15.

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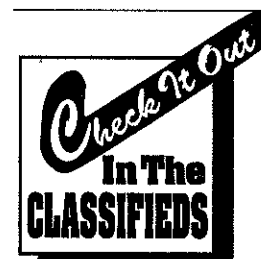
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