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## Week ahead

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### SATURDAY, JAN. 12

♦ The Junior League of Detroit and the Belle Isle Nature Zoo offers the program "Wild Woodland" from 1 to 3 p.m. at the zoo. The Michigan United Conservation Club members will bring live animals to the nature zoo. This is a free event and features a craft and snack.

### MONDAY, JAN. 14

♦ The City of Grosse Pointe Farms council meets at 7 p.m. in city hall, 90 Kerby.

♦ The City of Grosse Pointe Park Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

♦ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe North High School library.

♦ 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.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 15

♦ The preliminary round of the Grosse Pointe Public Library Gamers Halo 3 tournament will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Ewald branch, 15715 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. All gamers ages 12 to 19 are invited to compete. Parental permission is required for anyone under 18. For more information, contact Michelle Kaczmarek, youth services librarian, at (313) 343-2071, ext. 207. Download an application at [gp.lib.mi.us](http://gp.lib.mi.us).

♦ The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores council meets at 7 p.m. in village hall, 795 Lakeshore.

♦ The Grosse Pointe Twp. board meets at 8 a.m. in the township hall, 795 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

♦ Michigan's Presidential Primary election. Polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16

♦ The Family Center in partnership with St. John Hospital and Medical Center presents "Partners in Parenting" from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the third floor of the Van Elslander Pavilion. Dr. Karen Alton will discuss healthy lifestyles.

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PHOTOS BY JOHN LUNDBERG

An Army honor guard pays tribute to Sgt. Peter Neesley with a 21-gun salute.

## Farms soldier laid to rest

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

For Army Sergeant Peter Neesley, the Army life was the only way to go. He took great pride in serving his country, and that is what friends and family spoke of as he was memorialized last Saturday at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

On an overcast and wet day, mourners packed the War Memorial ballroom to pay tribute to Neesley, 28, who died in Iraq Christmas Day. Family members choked back tears as they recounted Peter's keen sense of humor and his love for his family.

"He was the best brother that anyone could have," said Carey Neesley, his sister. "He was a father to my son, Patrick. We're going to miss him very much."

Neesley, who enlisted in the Army in February 2000, had been stationed in Iraq recently. He returned home on leave last fall, where he had a chance to



PHOTO PROVIDED BY NEESLEY FAMILY

Sgt. Peter Neesley's enlistment photo from 2000.

visit Gabriel Richard Elementary School to visit with Patrick's class. During the visit, he spoke of the humanitarian efforts U.S. military personnel had been involved in while stationed there, said his mother, Christine.

"He would talk about helping the children there and feeding stray dogs," she said. "My daughter put together care packages filled with collars and toys (for the animals)."

To that end, Neesley's family is attempting to adopt two stray dogs, Mama and Boris, that were under his care in Iraq. They want the animals brought to Michigan to serve as a living legacy to his humanitarian efforts.

"We're all just trying to pull it together for Peter," Christine said.

Neesley was put to rest with full military honors. Soldiers hailed him with a 21-gun salute and there were not many dry eyes when Taps was played following the ceremony.

During the service, Neesley

*'He was the best brother that anyone could have.'*

CAREY NEESLEY

was awarded the Army Commendation Medal, The Global War on Terrorism Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. A separate service was held by his comrades in arms in Iraq Jan. 3, where his commander and fellow soldiers paid tribute to his wit and dedication to duty.

"I received a call on Monday from his friends who said they are taking care of Peter's dogs (in Iraq)," Christine said. "They are feeding them and making sure they're well taken care of."

The family has established the Sgt. Peter C. Neesley Memorial Fund through Verheyden Funeral Home on

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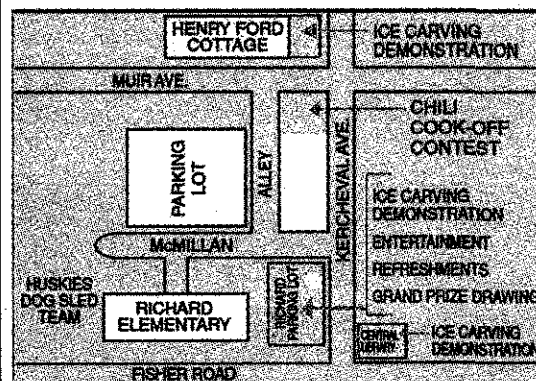
## Winterfest on tap for this weekend

It's that time of year again. The thermometer is down, but Grosse Pointe Farms promises to

heat things up with its annual Winterfest On-The-Hill.

The event is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12. Programs and activities include ice carving, a chili cook-off contest, individual business drawings, live entertainment featuring the classic rock group "Passage," face painting, and a demonstration by the dog sled team Thunderfeet Kennel's Siberian Huskies.

Sponsors for this year's event are the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation, Russell Development Co., DuMouchelle Art Galleries, the Grosse Pointe News, the Hill Business Association and the Bologna Building Co. & Kercheval Development Co.



## POINTER OF INTEREST

*'When I heard it was like, 'Oh, my God, I won!''*

### Fares Ksebati



Home: Grosse Pointe Farms

Age: 16

Family: Father, Bashar; mother, Hala; brother, Waseem; sister, Cinderella

Claim to fame: Selected to participate in nationwide Panasonic project Living in HD study.

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## Yesterday's headlines

1958

50 years ago this week

♦ **POLICE SEEK NEW YEAR THIEF:** Grosse Pointe Farms police are investigating three burglaries that occurred on New Year's Day.

Police believe that three separate robberies are the work of one suspect(s), which occurred on Ridge, Mack and Moross. The burglar(s) made off with jewelry, cash and clothing.

♦ **NEW YEAR'S PARTY ENDS WITH INJURIES:** Two persons were injured during a New Year's party in Grosse Pointe Woods by a gang of bottle-waving hoodlums.

Police said two youths entered the home and were con-

fronted by the homeowner. They were asked to leave and as they were being escorted to the street, three males jumped out of their cars and attacked the homeowner and his friend.

They then got into their vehicle and sped off after smashing three windshields of cars parked in the homeowner's driveway. Because of the lateness of the hour, the victims could not provide specific descriptions of their attackers.

♦ **STREET LIGHTING PROJECT GETS PUSH:** Installation of modernized street lights in the City of Grosse Pointe gained some momentum as a construction crew charged with their installation has taken up shop in the City.

Several street lights were replaced in 1957, and the plan

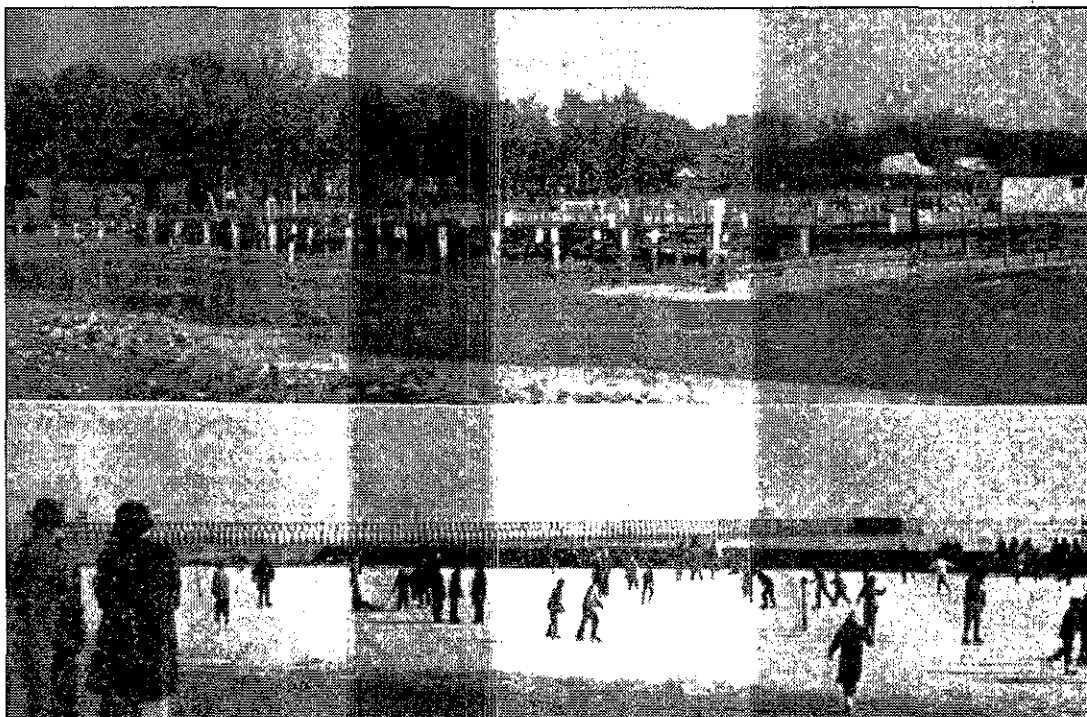


PHOTO BY FRED RUNNELLS

1958:  
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Dock?

Grosse Pointe Park boaters won a 30-day reprieve from the city council over the planned destruction of the docks at the Park's municipal beach.

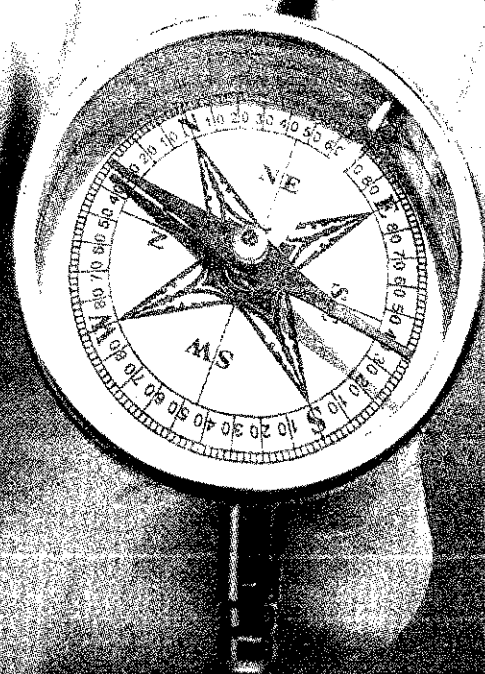
The Park council recommended the docks be destroyed because the cost of repairs would be too high. The reprieve allows for time to further study what to do.

— From the Jan. 16, 1958 issue of the Grosse Pointe News

## East meets Best

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1983

25 years ago this week

♦ **COURT RULES AGAINST DUAL SCHOOL TAX:** The Michigan State Supreme Court recently ruled that school districts cannot levy dual millages against cities and townships in their jurisdiction. The decision throws up in the air the Grosse Pointe school district's plan to ask voters to renew a three-year millage package in a special election scheduled for March.

The court's decision mandates that school districts can only levy one common millage to member cities and townships. The Grosse Pointe school board said it would examine the court's decision before deciding on a path of action.

♦ **SEARS TO BECOME A SURPLUS OUTLET:** Unable to increase sales at its store on Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms, Sears officials announced the store would be converted into an outlet shop.

The building will close for most of January and reopen stocked with "soft merchandise," consisting of clothes and home furnishings at reduced prices. The stock will come from catalog and inventory surpluses at other Sears franchises.

♦ **SCHOOL CLOSING REPORT READY TO BE DISCLOSED:** A long-awaited school closing recommendation report will be made public at the Grosse Pointe school board meeting in January.

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## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

# Swingtyme members play the favorites

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

They have been making music together for years and are not about to let their own years keep them down.

The Swingtyme Express came together as a band about 10 years ago. Every member brought a lifetime of musical experience that collectively adds up to nearly 500 years.

Laurine Mayes, 94, plays the piano, Ed Schenk, 86, mans the drums, Jack Applin, 85, is on tenor sax, and Eugene Myers, 81, handles bass guitar. Alto sax player Sal Ciaravino is the youngest member of the band at 79.

"We had all known each other for years," Ciaravino said. "We played together in the Will Dickson Band. We played at Doc's Restaurant in St. Clair Shores for several years."

Christmas found the Swingtyme Express at one of its favorite gigs, playing for the residents of the Sunrise Assisted Living Center on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

For the Christmas Eve show, the band played familiar holiday songs. But they also play throughout the year at Sunrise, from a playlist consisting of old favorites.

"We always begin the show with 'Everybody Loves Somebody,' the old Dean Martin theme, and end with Bob Hope's 'Thanks for the Memories,'" said Ciaravino. "We enjoy it as much as the residents do. We can see that it really cheers up the residents and we know that we are giving back. It's fun for all of us."



Swingtyme Express members include pianist Laurine Mayes, drummer Ed Schenk, saxophonist Jack Applin, bass guitarist Eugene Myers and alto saxophonist Sal Ciaravino.

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

## Business owners, residents honored for gardening efforts

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission recently recognized several residents and business owners for their beautification efforts.

Mary Beth Nicholson, chairwoman, Beautification Commission, introduced Mayor Robert Novitke, who presented the awards assisted by commission members Angelo DiClemente and Pamela Barnwell.

The Landmark Award was presented to LaModa International Hair Design.

Residents honored are Joseph and Kathy Adamski, Dominic and Mary Ann Cafagna, Robert and Jeanine Flannery, Melissa Jane Flones, Mary Pat Frasier, Mary Anna Daskas, Janet Hagen, John

Hauler, Richard and Deanna Kent, Michael and Frances McCabe, E. Hamilton and Christine O'Connor, James and Noel Paavola, James and Bonnie Salvador, Frank and Alfreda Smith, Charles and Marie Thomas.

Business awards were given to Sunrise Assisted Living, Edwin Paul Spa, Summit Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Arettee Day Spa, David C. Secord, D.D.S., M.S., General Funding Corporation, Grosse Pointe Collection, George Koueiter Jewelers, William C. Quinlan, D.D.S., P.C., Kathleen Gibney, D.D.S., and the Van Elslander Cancer Center.

Business Renovation Awards were presented to Rabaut's Interiors and Lois Kovalchick, D.D.S. A Residential Renovation Award was given to Kry's & Patty Schroeder.



Winners of the Grosse Pointe Woods residential beautification awards.



Winners of the Grosse Pointe Woods business beautification awards.

### Woods planning commission applicants sought

Grosse Pointe Woods is accepting applications for an open seat on its planning commission.

Established by the city charter, the planning commission reviews building plans and makes recommendations to the city council regarding commercial development and zoning ordinances.

An application form can be picked up from City Clerk Lisa Hathaway by calling (313) 343-2440 or downloaded from the city's Web site, gpwwi.us.

The deadline for applying is 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18.

City council members will conduct interviews Monday, Feb. 11.

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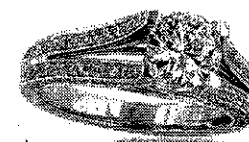
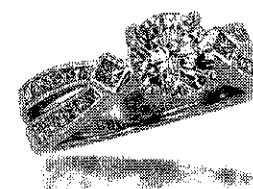
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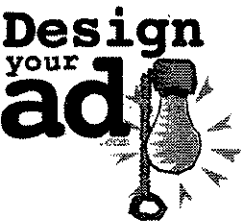
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Fares Ksebati has many interests — photography, cinematography and swimming. When the 16-year-old South student devotes himself to something, he does it with full gusto.

# Living in HD

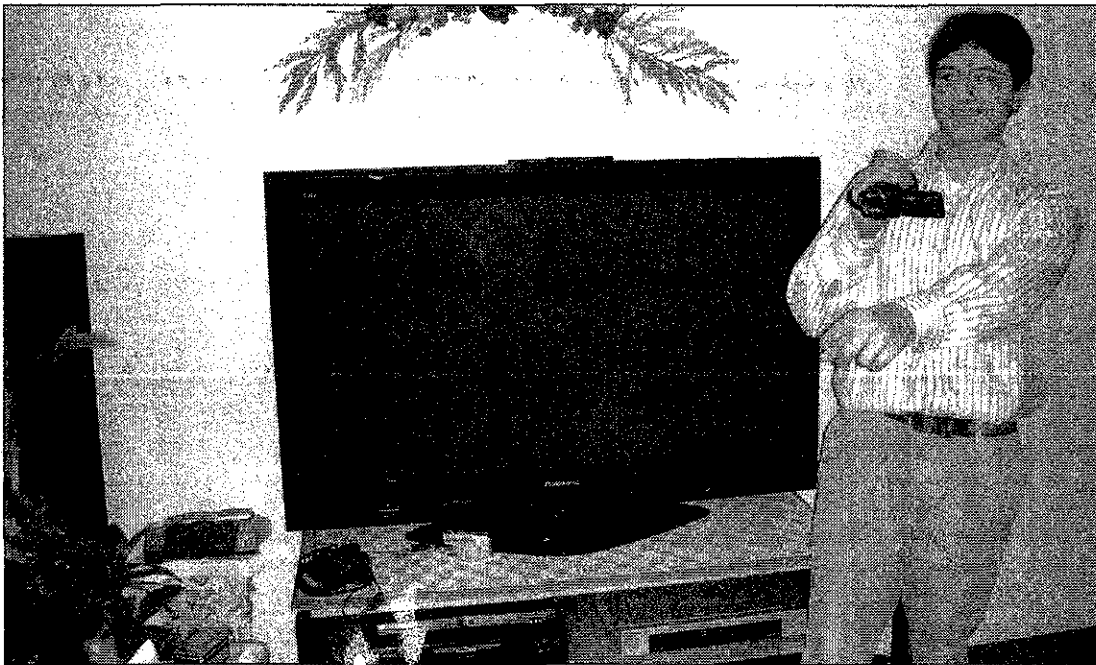


PHOTO BY JOHN LUNDBERG

Fares Ksebati demonstrates his directing ability before the thousands of dollars worth of electronics he and his family received for Panasonic's "Living in HD" study.

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

Fares Ksebati became interested in photography early on. He would frequently chronicle his family's vacations for video display later.

So that is why it came as little surprise to his family that his essay was chosen out of hundreds submitted nationwide to participate in a High Definition electronic product study launched by one of the world's leading electronic companies.

"I became involved with electronics at a young age," Ksebati said. "It was something my family fostered and encouraged."

Ksebati began his photography "hobby" by working as a volunteer for the Grosse Pointe Artist's Association, where his mother, Hala, is first vice president. He videotapes art shows and converts them into a DVD format for viewing.

It was this passion that helped lead him to discover the project on Panasonic's Web site.

"When I learned that I was selected, I thought this was too good to be true," he said.

Between August 2007 and March 2008, Panasonic's Living in HD Program will select 30 families to live with a complete suite of High Definition technology products and related services worth an estimated \$20,000, including a large screen plasma television, HD camcorder, Blu-ray Disc player, digital still camera and other equipment.

The Ksebat's received their equipment right before the holiday season. Fares said he plans to make documentaries involving family trips and excursions, starting with the North American International Auto Show in Detroit later this

month.

One key element of Panasonic's search was hearing from families what they would create in High Definition and why they want to chronicle their lives in HD. A panel of judges selected Ksebati's essay submission to participate in the study.

But, why the study? Well, a survey commissioned by the company found that 98 percent of parents with children under 18 in the home say that it is important or very important for families to spend quality time together.

However, only 52 percent think they spend enough quality time with their children.

"My essay focused on doing things that are more family oriented," Ksebati said. "I felt using electronics and new technology was useful in bringing families closer together."

It is a sentiment shared by Ksebati's family. Hala said Fares became involved in photographing family vacations and then converting them to a disc. Therefore, the family had an archive to verify the enjoyment they had on their latest vacation.

"When we look at (on disc) it's like 'wow, we really had fun,'" she said with a laugh.

The families in the Living in HD program will be asked to take part in monthly challenges, such as, "Make Dad Cry In a Good Way," that require family members to work as a team and record their experiences in High Definition.

In addition, the families will participate in periodic surveys and interviews to assess how their interpersonal relationships, attitudes and daily activities are affected by the use of High Definition technologies.

"They're looking for us to improve the product through us testing it," Ksebati said.

"They're looking to get input from us. It is very interesting and very advanced."

"This is the next generation of technology."

The content created by the Ksebati family will be available online and incorporated into a documentary film to provide a historical record for future generations that captures the transition and interaction of families encountering HD technology.

"Panasonic created the Living in HD program to more deeply understand how people's lives will change as they become aware of the full potential of HDTV," said Dr. Paul Liao, vice president and chief technology officer of Panasonic Corporation of North America. "Very few households are shooting video in HD today, but we expect that number will increase with consumer HD camcorders."

But Ksebati's interests are not isolated to his work behind the lens. He swims the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke for South. He also enjoys his classes at the high school.

The project is the center of Ksebati's attention for the next few months. Soon, Panasonic will be videotaping the family using the electronics.

"As we approach the national transition to digital broadcasting, it is important that individuals and companies understand how to use High Definition technology to its full potential because it will affect social and professional interactions," said Dr. Connie Book, professor of communications at Elon University and author of "Digital Television, DTV and the Consumer."

"My family tells me that God is rewarding me," Ksebati said. "The hard work is paying off big time."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

# Jumping for joy

Grosse Pointe South High School hosted a mini reunion for the Class of 2007 on Friday, Dec. 21. While the school provided food and entertainment in Cleminson Hall, many alumni chose to reenact their high school days by hanging out in the hallways. Some showed they were revved up to see their former classmates. They are, from the left, Lauren Logrosso, Drew Gaggin, Roger Klein and Matt Smith.



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## NEWS



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Peter Neesley with his dog, Boris, in Iraq.



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Following the ceremony, a police escort led the hearse from the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

## SOLDIER: His was the Army way

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Mack in Grosse Pointe Park to solicit funds to help transport the dogs to Michigan, Christine said. She added that several humanitarian groups have contacted the family offering assistance.

"We've contacted Sen. Carl

Levin's office, who said they would get back to us (later this week)" she said. "Gov. Jennifer Granholm called Carey yesterday and talked with her."

The cause of death has not been formally established. A private autopsy was performed on Saturday, but Christine said it would be about a week before they get the results.

The Army will not release preliminary results.

Neesley is survived by his father Robert; his mother; and sister; brother; Theodore; and his nephew.

## Pointes for Peace sees Kucinich at forum

Pointes for Peace will hold a non-partisan public forum at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, in the Harper Woods Community Center, 19748 Harper, Harper Woods.

The guest speaker is U.S. Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

The title of his presentation is "Peace and Prosperity for All."

Kucinich, 61, is serving his sixth term in Congress representing Ohio's 10th District. He is making his second bid for his party's presidential nod.

The eldest of seven children, Kucinich began his political career on the Cleveland City Council when he was 23. He was elected Cleveland's mayor at age 31, the youngest person in U.S. history to hold the top office in a major city. Last year, Kucinich reintroduced legislation to create a U.S. Department of Peace and Nonviolence.

Currently in committee, H.R. 808 has 67 cosponsors including Michigan Reps. John Conyers, District-14, and Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, District-13.

"Peace is a foundational principle of this Congress and of this country," said Kucinich

when sponsoring the legislation.

"The bill gives it a chance to have an animating power in our civic life by addressing the issues of domestic violence, spousal abuse, child abuse, violence in the schools and racial violence."

Kucinich is the only Democratic presidential candidate, who voted against the Iraq war authorization in 2002 and every war funding measure since, as well as the Patriot Act.

The Harper Woods Community Center is located on the I-94 eastbound service drive, one block north of Allard Road.

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

All are welcome at Pointes for Peace weekly gatherings Sundays at 7 p.m. at Panera Bread on Kercheval in the Village of Grosse Pointe.

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

## GROSSE POINTE FARMS

### Short-term rentals considered

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

First came Grosse Pointe Shores. Will Grosse Pointe Farms be next?

Several Farms residents petitioned the city council Monday night to enact an ordinance to make renters in the city commit to a one year lease.

Elaine Hartmann of Kerby, implored the council to stop short-term rentals, saying it will "protect the welfare" of the city.

She said the Farms should have an ordinance like the Shores council enacted last month setting a minimum lease of one year.

"Grosse Pointe Farms is too beautiful of a community (to have property neglected by short-term renters)" she said.

The Farms council agreed to take the request to the ordinance committee for future study.

Councilman Louis Theros said the Farms is "very active on nuisance complaints on owned and leased properties" and will look hard at the pro-

posal.

"There are property rights for property owners and neighbors," he said.

"We'll get input from the Shores and the Michigan Municipal League."

"We have to balance the needs of everybody."

He added that the city does not receive a lot of complaints about short-term renters.

Rental properties have proliferated in the Pointes recently due to the dismal housing market.

Linda Walton, Grosse Pointe Shores council member, voted against the Shores ordinance because she feared that property owners would be stuck with two homes because they could not sell their old house.

Hartmann cited a number of rentals that have occurred recently. In a letter she circulated, she said short-term rentals "will most certainly bring down property values."

"What we don't want is a neighborhood of motels."

The Farms council plans to take up the proposal at its work session at the end of the month.

## Correction

Inaccurate information was printed in the Jan. 3, 2008, issue concerning St. John Hospital and Medical Center class offerings for the month

of January.

A new version of program offerings will be printed in the Features section of the Jan. 17 issue.

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## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

# Literature's legacy

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

"Books are the legacies that a great genius leaves to mankind, which are delivered down from generation to generation, as presents to the posterity of those who are yet unborn." — Joseph Addison.

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library's sixth annual Classic Books Lecture Series will explore literature throughout the ages.

"Great ideas, thoughts and passions of Western Civilization are passed down through art and literature," wrote Friends member, Mary Beth Smith. "There would be no F. Scott Fitzgerald or Eugene O'Neill without a Homer or a Shakespeare."

The Friends, in conjunction with the University of Michigan, will host seven lectures — beginning with ancient tomes and ending with modern literature during the first five months of 2008.

Theresa Tinkle, Ph.D., University of Michigan associate professor and Arthur F. Thurnau professor, will open the series with the classic English epic, "Sir Gawain and the Green Knight."

The discussion starts at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16, at the Grosse Pointe High School auditorium.

According to Smith, "Sir Gawain and the Green Knight" was discovered 200 years ago, having been preserved in a single surviving manuscript by an anonymous author dating from around 1400.

The legend was first published in 1839 and is considered by many to be one of the great stories of English literature after Beowulf.

The tale is about a green knight on a green horse who interrupts the Round Table festivities at Yuletide and soon becomes a challenging quest for the virtuous Gawain.

Tinkle is a scholar of Latin and English literature between the late classical period and the beginning of the Reformation.

Tinkle has published a book on the medieval myths of Venus and Cupid, co-edited two collections of essays and

published numerous articles on medieval manuscripts, drama and religion. She is currently finishing a book about how medieval readers interpret the Bible.

Lectures are free to students, teachers and Friends' members. Tickets for non-members are \$10.

Enter South's auditorium from the parking lot on Grosse Pointe Blvd.

For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6 or visit the Web site [gp.lib.mi.us](http://gp.lib.mi.us).

## Hill, Friends offer pre-lecture dining

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spring.

The dinner will be offered at 5:30 p.m. and will cost \$15 for an entrée, salad and dessert. Drinks are not included.

Reservations are required and must be made in advance

to receive the promotion. To make reservations, call the Hill at (313) 886-8101.

The first lecture takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16.

— Beth Quinn

### Correction

In the Dec. 27, 2007, issue of the Grosse Pointe News, the new hours for the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library's book store located in the Woods branch were incorrect.

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EDITORIAL

Mitt Romney

"I believe the strength of America lies in the strength of her people. I am running for president because I want to help keep America strong. That means a strong military, strong economy and strong families. We are facing many challenges but America has always overcome these challenges in the past, and I am confident that we can do so again."

— Mitt Romney

The upcoming presidential election is extremely critical for Michigan. National economic problems are magnified at our state level, and the vision of state-wide recovery seems cloudy. In addition, our next president faces a critical, almost unfair to-do list. But we believe there is one clear candidate who has the vision and proven experience to meet these challenges and successfully lead our country.

His name is Mitt Romney.  
Our endorsement is based on who he is. Michigan's native son is the son of former automotive executive, Michigan governor and presidential cabinet member George Romney. Mitt was not raised, however, as the son of privilege, but under the guidance of a family requiring honesty, hard work and compassion for others.

Mitt and his wife, Ann, have successfully raised five sons who are each married and raising families based on these principles. Mitt is a successful son, husband, father and grandfather. Character runs deep, and Mitt Romney is a good man.

Our endorsement is based on what he had done. Mitt has met challenges and succeeded wildly in three critical circles — private business, public enterprise and governmental service.

In 1984, Romney founded Bain Capital, a venture capital and investment company that has become a model for this industry. The successes of eBay, Staples, Domino's Pizza, Sealy and The Sports Authority are Romney successes. Through each of Bain's successes and failures, Romney learned what is needed to create real and lasting economic value. He also learned how to implement these lessons. Most importantly, he learned that real people given real jobs will create real and lasting value.

Romney next gained national recognition for leading the 2002 Winter Olympics as president and CEO of the Olympic Organizing Committee.

Asked to take over a failing operation, and in just three years at the helm, Romney erased a \$379 million operating deficit, organized 23,000 volunteers, galvanized community spirit and oversaw an unprecedented security mobilization just months after 9/11.

By every measure, the success of the 2002 Winter Olympics was due to Romney's management skills and approach to problem solving. Mitt received no salary during this time, seeing the need as a way to serve his country. He took a broken organization and led people in fixing it.

In 2002, Romney was elected Republican governor of liberal Massachusetts. In just one term, he eliminated a \$3 billion budget gap inherited when he took office by eliminating waste, streamlining government and offering economic reforms that stimulated economic growth in the state. Perhaps more importantly, Romney proposed and signed into law a private, market-based reform that ensured every Massachusetts citizen has health insurance, without a government takeover and without raising taxes.

Mitt Romney, a man of character, has shown the uncanny ability to succeed in three different and challenging arenas. He knows how to understand, fix and lead.

Our endorsement is based on his vision for America. With this impressive track record, Romney was asked to run for president. After much deliberation he agreed and has vowed to do much to fix Washington.

His priority is to make America stronger and more secure. He has proposed solid solutions to end illegal immigration, reduce taxes, cut the Washington's appetite for pork, and provide greater and private care for veterans and health care insurance for everyone. These solutions, upon close exam, make sense. He understands our need to end dependency on foreign oil, make government simpler, grow the economy and add jobs.

He knows a solution to the impending Social Security crisis must be found, and he believes our country is up to this challenge.

Most importantly, he believes that the answers to each of these problems lies not in bigger government, but in America's people, each given the opportunity to succeed as he and his family have.

On the heels of campaign surprises in Iowa and New Hampshire, all political eyes are now focused on Michigan as we head to the Jan. 15 presidential primary.

Mitt Romney announced his candidacy here 11 months ago, and his message to Michigan voters is clear:

"Those who have been in Washington had their chance to make changes. It's time for someone new."

Michigan needs a leader in Washington who will help create jobs here, who recognizes the strengths our workforce offers an ever-changing and very global economy. A leader who recognizes we may be down, but we haven't stopped fighting. Mitt Romney is the best choice for Michigan and for America.

We are pleased to endorse Mitt Romney for president.

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Fallen soldier served

To the Editor:

For the most part Saturday, Jan. 5, was an ordinary day — a cold, crisp January morning. But it was an extraordinary day at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and in our community.

The War Memorial humbly served a local family as it never had as the family laid their son to rest for the last time.

A full military funeral and tribute was held at the War Memorial for our community's own Sgt. Peter Neesley, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident who died while serving in Iraq on Dec. 25, 2007.

The service was one that I will never forget. With Air Force Chaplain Harold Owens, Brig. Gen. John Bartley, Maj. Sherwood Baker and their stoic complement of Army soldiers — full military recognition and awards were bestowed upon Sgt. Peter Neesley posthumously.

The mourners' silence was deafening, save for tears, following the Honor Guard's 21-gun salute followed by Taps.

The service unequivocally

captured the very essence of the price of freedom as heartfelt thoughts were shared by his family members. A video tribute brought Sgt. Neesley back to life — if only for a moment.

I wish everyone in our community would have attended this funeral. I did not know Peter Neesley, but I know him now as a dedicated soldier who was serving our country.

Even more importantly, I know him now as a son, brother, uncle, cousin and as a best friend. Suddenly I began thinking of Peter in relation to our own sons, brothers, cousins, fathers, friends and the other heroes from our community that have served and died in all of our nation's wars.

Peter Neesley is the second soldier from our community who has died in Iraq; the first was Lt. Col. Trane McCloud, who died on Dec. 4, 2006.

Each day I walk into the austere lobby of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and pass by the bronzed names of the heroes who have served to keep us free. Every bronzed name on the honor rolls at the War Memorial was a Sgt. Neesley

or a Lt. Col. McCloud — a son, brother, uncle, father, friend — a beloved family member who served our country and this community in previous wars.

It is the War Memorial's deepest privilege to honor our community's soldiers in this way.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Peter Neesley's family and friends for their loss. It is clear that Peter's death will leave an unmistakable void for so many.

It goes without saying, though, that one of the many gifts Peter left behind was the call to action that we continue to show our patriotic spirit; that we continue to support our soldiers, our sons and daughters serving in foreign lands; and we continue to honor all the servicemen and women who have given their lives so that we might live free.

MARK R. WEBER, PH.D.  
President  
Grosse Pointe War Memorial

Leasing in Grosse Pointe

To the Editor:

I read with interest the editorial remarks regarding leasing in Grosse Pointe, "Village council to tighten up on renters," Dec. 27 Grosse Pointe News.

I am well versed in the subject, as I lease a home in Grosse Pointe Farms.

First, all residences must have an inspection by the city of Grosse Pointe Farms before it is leased, no matter what the length of the lease — to which I have complied.

I had been very fortunate to

have good tenants until the past two years. I reviewed credentials, references, etc., and received a first and last month's rent and security deposit. The renter was to pay the water bills in addition to the rent and maintain the property.

Both tenants chose not to pay rent for months and refused to pay the water bill. The water bill becomes an assessment on the property. The tenants moved out in the middle of the night, leaving personal belongings and destruction that combined with the loss of rent to more than \$20,000.

After completely refurbishing the property, the second renter — a minister — stopped paying rent for five months and left the property in shambles. The total cost of losses due to physical damage was around \$12,000. The damage to plumbing by pouring cooking grease into the garbage disposal was extensive as it plugged the drain access.

I am writing this to alert the community of a potential problem with leasing. I have followed all the protocols, having rented this residence for 10 years, without any difficulty until these most recent incidents.

The cities of Grosse Pointe must review this situation as precursor of a problem with consideration of foreclosure, etc.

You might ask why I could not remove them from the property with delinquent rent. This is a very difficult and costly process. The lease termination date gives the proper

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GUEST OPINION By Clark Durant

A man who is right for our times

I have decided to support John McCain in his presidential bid. If voters have not made a choice, I hope they will do so now. I encourage them to vote for U.S. Sen. John McCain.

There are four reasons for my decision:

First, McCain is a man of good character. In a world drenched with celebrity, dubious fame and careless characterizations, McCain is a genuine hero. He could have avoided that fateful mission which resulted in his plane being shot down over North Vietnam and his long captivity in a wretched prisoner of war camp. But he did not avoid his duty and he did not betray his men, his mission or his country.

McCain is a man of uncommon courage. Because of his father's rank as commander of the Pacific Fleet, he could have avoided hardships and torture during five years in a POW camp.

Once captured, he could have been released ahead of others. But he did not accept his captors' offer of early release. His fellow soldiers

would be left behind.

McCain was a man for others. Heroes live not for themselves; neither do men of character. More recently it took uncommon courage to argue for the surge in Iraq when it was a very unpopular thing to do.

Second, McCain is a man of vision and freedom. We live in perilous times, yet America's best days can lie ahead. For us, our children and our grandchildren, there is great opportunity in our land and in our world with the spread of liberty. But our world is teeming with disordered minds and cruel hearts.

In the cool calculation of ersatz human beings, accessible technology makes possible destruction beyond measure. Only the spread of liberty and freedom, not just for ourselves but for others, can roll back the darkness of hate and de-

spair in countries ruled by despots, autocrats and tyrants.

McCain understands the vision of liberty. He recognizes the wisdom of John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan: Kennedy: "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty."

Reagan: "America has kept alight the torch of freedom, but not just for ourselves, but for millions of others around the world."

McCain: "Today we glimpse the prospect of another, better world in which all people might someday share in the blessings and responsibilities of freedom."

McCain is a man of vision and freedom.

Third, McCain seeks to do the right thing, not the popular thing. Many of his supporters don't always agree with him on these "right things" — campaign finance, immigration reform, elimination of spending earmarks, advocating the termination of Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and early on calling for the now successful surge of troops.

McCain is a straight talker. Lastly, McCain wants economic growth. Jack Kemp, architect of the Reagan plan for economic growth and job creation, put it best last Monday morning in New Hampshire:

"John McCain is the only candidate who can be trusted to cut taxes, eliminate waste, spending and enact conservative pro-growth policies to expand the economy. John McCain is the best choice to lead America to a more prosperous and secure future."

There are good individuals running today for president. We are richly blessed as a people to have such choices. But alone among them is a man right for our times. He is John McCain.



I SAY By Beth Quinn

# This purchase was priceless



December 31, 2002, was a New Year's Eve I will always remember.

I can't tell you what I did to ring in the New Year later that night, but I can how the day began.

The four of us were jolted out of bed at 5 a.m. by a piercing sound.

It took a few minutes for my husband and me to determine the siren wasn't coming from our smoke detector or house alarm, but from the carbon monoxide detector located in the second floor hallway out-

side our bedrooms.

Once we figured that out, we immediately told our sons to get the dogs and go outside to the backyard patio.

Tom and I stayed inside to open windows and turn off our two gas furnaces. Then I arranged for a technician from our heating and cooling company to come to the house.

A short time later, the technician arrived with a CO2 meter in hand. He quickly determined that the ancient furnace in the basement was the culprit. I remembered he said it was spewing out massive quantities of carbon monoxide.

According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, carbon monoxide, which is an odorless, tasteless and invisible gas, is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths in

America. And children fall ill to the poisoning faster than adults.

I immediately recalled that the night before my son, Will, who had just turned 10, remarked he wasn't feeling well. He had a headache and was feeling nauseated — two early symptoms of CO2 poisoning. However, at the time, I just thought he was coming down with something.

Even now, my heart sinks thinking that Will would have certainly died if we didn't have that alarm.

I also realized that a \$40 carbon monoxide detector saved our lives.

As soon as carbon monoxide detectors were on the market, I immediately bought one.

When I brought it home, Tom teased me about being a hardware store junkie, which I admit I am. He rolled his eyes

and mumbled something about me wasting money on silly gizmos.

But I had good reason to buy this gadget.

Several years prior, I witnessed the danger of carbon monoxide.

At the time, I was working at People Magazine in New York City. A wealthy vendor flew a group of us to his lakeside estate outside Milwaukee for a three day business junket in November.

Some of us stayed in this man's very spacious home, while the rest were delegated to two older cottages on his compound. Some of the women stayed in the cottage adjacent to the main house while the some of the men, most of whom were in their late twenties and early thirties, stayed in the one further away.

While I can't say we worked

hard during the day, I must admit we partied hard at night. Our host, who obviously would have a nice tax write off come April, wined and dined us to the max.

On the last day, we had a 9 a.m. meeting before heading to the airport to fly home. I remember sitting around a conference table waiting for the guys from the cottage to show up.

Around 9:10, we started joking about them being passed out from partying all night.

Around 9:15, I remember the higher ups were starting to get agitated and a phone call was made to the cottage. When there was no answer, someone was sent to check out the situation.

Shortly thereafter, we heard the news. All the guys were found unconscious in their beds. Not even the high pitch

sounds of alarm clocks or ringing phones, could awaken them.

All were immediately taken to the hospital. That's when most of us learned that you can get carbon monoxide poisoning not just from sitting in a running car in a closed garage, but from gas appliances in the home.

Fortunately, most of the guys were released from the hospital later that day and the ones listed in more serious condition were released a few days later.

Now when my husband teases me about buying any sort of safety device, I only have to say three words, carbon monoxide detector.

He knows that \$40 is a very small price to pay to save a life.

And that's why I urge everyone to buy one.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

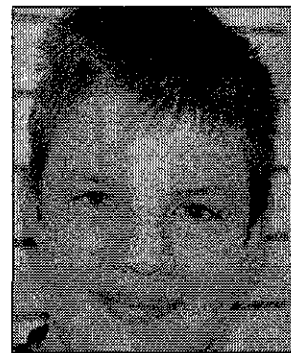
## Did you see any movies over the holidays and if so which one?

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



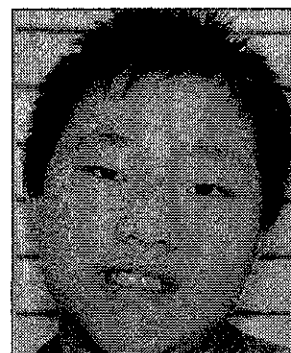
'I saw 'Alvin and the Chipmunks' and I liked it.'

NOAH FRANCIS  
Grosse Pointe Park



'I saw 'Sweeney Todd,' and as one of my friends would put it, it was gore-tastic.'

JAMES O'DONNELL  
Grosse Pointe Park



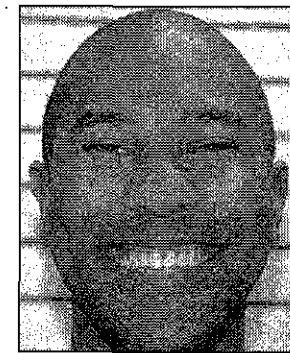
'I didn't go to the show, but I want to see the movie 'Awake.'

DANNY MAK  
Grosse Pointe Woods



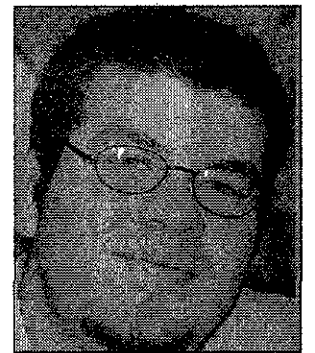
'I watched the straight to DVD movie, 'Futurama: Bender's Big Score.'

PHILL REIK  
Grosse Pointe Park



'I saw 'Super Bad' on DVD and it was hilarious! I have watched it twice since Christmas.'

JOE BRACKEN  
City of Grosse Pointe



'Unfortunately, my sister brought home the 'Ghost Rider' DVD. I didn't like it because I think it tried too hard and I usually like comic book movies.'

LARRY KING  
Detroit

FYI By Ben Burns

## South graduate joins west's wildland firefighters



As far as I know, Emily Garlough has never leaped a building in a single bound or outran a speeding locomotive. But I suspect that may be because she has never tried.

The 2002 South graduate has, for the record, run marathons in both the United States and South Africa, bicycled across America to raise money for Habitat for Humanity, served in Americorps out west building trails, had a bylined story published in a metro newspaper and fought forest fires in the west.

A University of Michigan alum, Garlough of the Park — slightly battered but unbowed — is now applying for admission to various forestry graduate school programs with the hope that she might join a smoke jumping crew next summer. For the uninitiated, that means parachuting out of airplanes in remote areas of the woods to fight forest fires.

In any event, here is her personal account of how she spent her summer in the west battling blazes as a chain saw wielding firefighter.

"You want me to do what now, boss?"

"Not an out of the ordinary question. But not too many bosses respond with, 'Grab your chainsaw, crawl through those bushes and put some line around that spot fire before she starts to get up and buck.'

"This past April I began work as a wildland firefighter in California and in doing so entered a world that we Midwesterners know little about. To be honest, on my first



Lake Tahoe firefighters crew

day of work I knew little more about fire fighting than 'Stop, Drop, and Roll,' which I learned back at Defer Elementary.

"You'd be hard pressed to find a more amusing group of people than a wildland firefighting crew. Ornithologist to tattoo artist, pro-skier to grocery store cashier — life on the crew is entertaining to say the least. We started off with little more in common than a serious adrenaline problem, but before long I had gained 18 older brothers."

"The crew lives and works out of a station tucked away back in the woods. In addition to the chipmunks, raccoons and bears with which we share the compound, the crew has for some reason been joined by over 900 sheep and frightfully aggressive sheep dogs who roam the premises at will."

"The season begins with a few weeks of classroom training. Courses range from fire-line construction to working with California inmate crews or 'Hoods in the Woods 101' we like to call it. This instruction is coupled with intense physical training that helps the crew learn to cope with the fatigue

and stress that the body encounters while fighting fire."

"Then we wait for a spark."

"A typical 'roll' or fire assignment consists of 16-hour work shifts for 14 days straight, unless you get extended to 21. Most firefighting in California is done at night when fires tend to calm down as the temperature drops and the relative humidity rises, so a work shift begins with briefing at 6 p.m. and ends the next day at 10 a.m."

"This past summer my crew got shipped to Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and various fires in California. One of the most exciting and challenging parts of the job is not knowing what the day will bring. A normal 16-hour fire shift may routinely extend to over 30 straight hours of work or you might wake up in your cozy bed one day and go to sleep in a field, covered in soot, two states away."

"After the autumn classic down in San Diego, crews got laid off for the winter. Most folks trade their leather boots for flip flops and hit the beach until Smokey Bear says its time to get back to it. As for me, I'm at home to assure my family that I haven't lost it and to see if

I can squeeze grad school into my firefighting future."

### Big hearts

As we start the New Year, the good folks in the Grosse Pointes have helped raised more than \$44,000 for the McCloud Family Fund in memory of Lt. Col. Joseph "Trane" McCloud, who died in a helicopter crash in Iraq in December 2006.

McCloud grew up in the Grosse Pointes, was a star football player at South, and left a widow and three small children to cope with life without a husband and father.

Terry Ayrault and Gerry Finazzo, childhood friends, organized a fundraiser at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and others such as the Doris and Don Duchene Foundation pitched in.

Don Duchene, an Air Force veteran, has a special place in his heart for our men and women in the service and sent a check for \$2,500.

There were dozens of other gestures of compassion and charity in the Pointes over the past year, including Rotarians collecting coats for the home-



Emily Garlough

less and clubs buying telephone cards for military service personnel so they could call home.

### Semper Fi

Prominent local attorney A. Gary Spicer has four children in the U.S. Marine Corps; Sgt. S. Gary Spicer Jr., 1st Lt. Mark A. Spicer, Capt. Katherine A. Spicer and Cpl. David J. Spicer. They have collectively served seven tours in Iraq, three in Japan and one in Korea.

When you have a spare moment, think good thoughts about their safe return home.

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## YESTERDAY: Headlines from the past

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The committee charged with making the recommendation has been working on the report for nearly a year, and parents are very anxious to see if their neighborhood school is on the chopping block.

Dramatic enrollment declines in Pointe schools prompted the school board to form the committee to examine ways to operate the district more efficiently.

# 1998

10 years ago this week

◆ **SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOKS TO END DRIVER'S ED:** Due to decreased state

funding, declining enrollment in driver's education classes and local car dealerships unwilling to loan vehicles for training, the Grosse Pointe school board is considering doing away with its driver's education program.

District officials said that if they were to continue the program it would barely break even financially. Under a new state law, the school board must decide whether to discontinue its program, continue its program and charge tuition or

contract with a private school.

Driver training has been provided by the district since the 1950s.

◆ **PARK TO ADDRESS CABLE, SEWER ISSUES IN NEW YEAR:** Grosse Pointe Park officials have two top priorities going into the new year: Finishing its sewer separation project; and finding a competitor for Comcast cable, which has a monopoly on cable services in the city.

The Park commenced its sewer project in 1997, and

hopes that it will be finished digging up its streets by the close of 1998.

Park officials have been actively encouraging another cable franchise to come into the Park to offer residents a competitor to Comcast.

# 2003

5 years ago this week

◆ **KNEISER APPOINTED**

**MAYOR IN FARMS:** To replace newly-elected State Representative Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, the Grosse Pointe Farms city council appointed Ronald Kneiser to assume both the mayor and mayor pro tem positions.

Kneiser, a nine-year veteran of the council, has been mayor pro tem for the last three years.

He was appointed to serve out the remaining two years of the current term of mayor.

—John Lundberg

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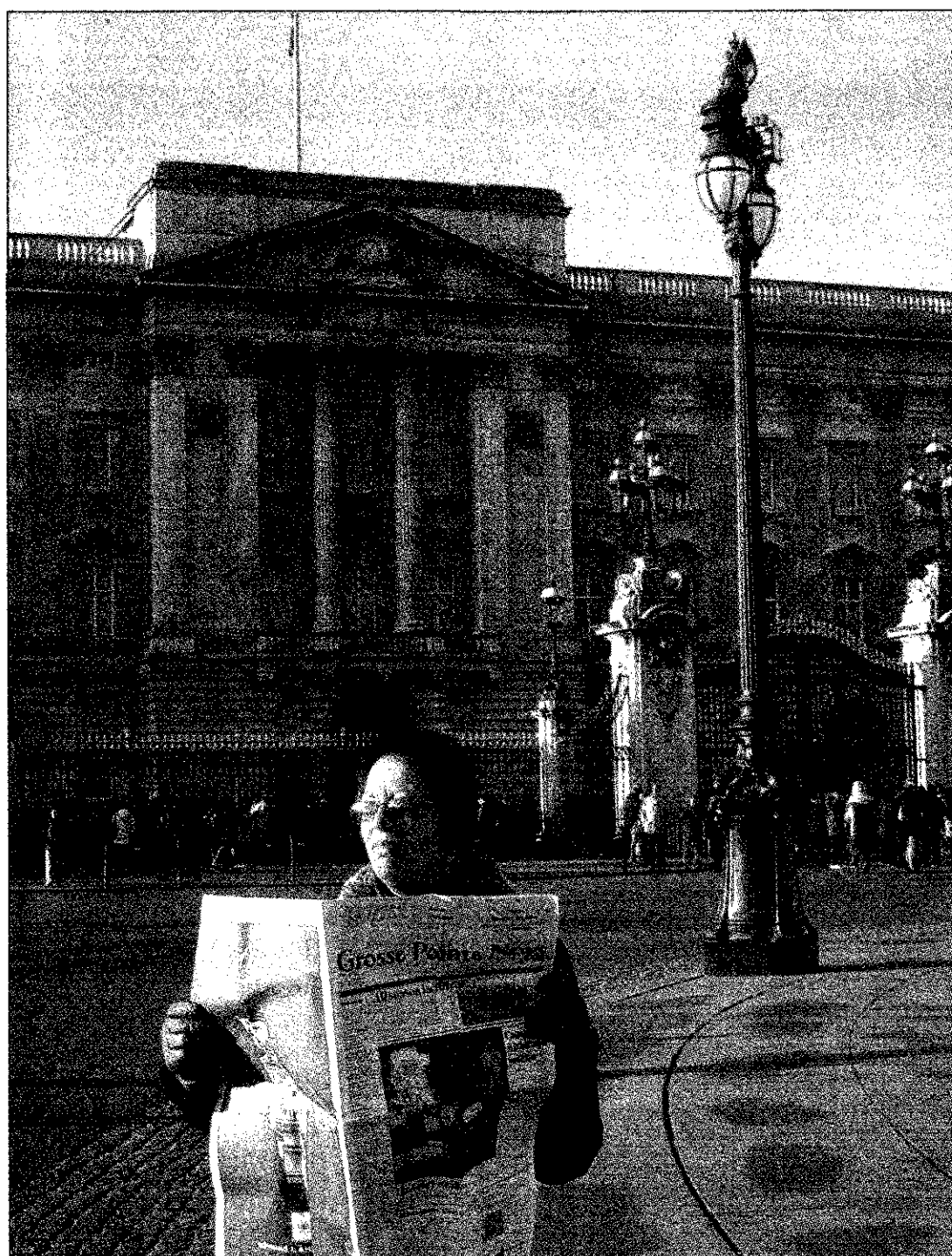
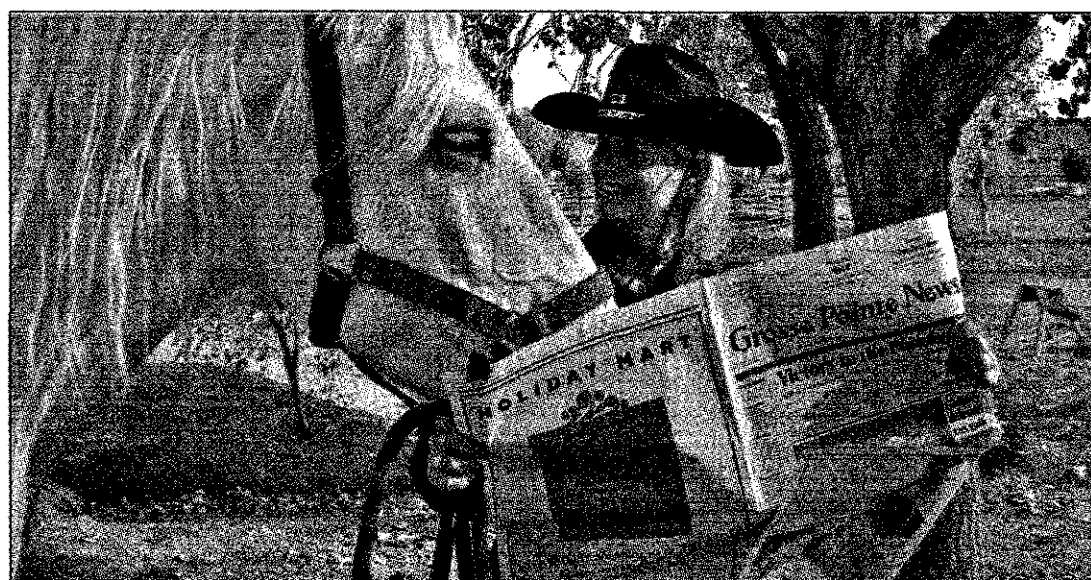


PHOTO BY GREGORY THOMAS

## London news

Grosse Pointe Park resident Michelle Thomas, above, reads her Grosse Pointe News standing in front of Buckingham Palace in London, England. She and her husband, Gregory, traveled to England and Wales in mid-December to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary, which was Dec. 4. The picture was taken the morning of Dec. 17 as the couple awaited the ceremony of the Changing of the Guard. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: The Grosse News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to [editor@grossepointenews.com](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com). Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.



## Santa Fe News

Gwendy Bennett Gugino, formerly of Grosse Pointe, now of Santa Fe, N.M., and a subscriber to the Grosse Pointe News enjoys sharing articles from the paper with her horse, Stella, in between training sessions at the Santa Fe Horse and Polo Club. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a vertical photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail [editor@grossepointenews.com](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com).

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owner the best result. The legal process is through the Wayne County Court System.

One tenant bought a new home and purchased a car and then filed for bankruptcy, leaving no recourse to get any monies owed. I am sure the rent saved assisted the tenant in the down payment on a new home.

I have spent many thousands of dollars to maintain this property. To sell would be a loss. The neighborhood value could easily plummet if properties are not maintained. Tight ordinances are required.

The landlord is ultimately responsible in default and that can be costly as I have defined.

The absentee landlord may not have evidence of disrepair until it becomes an eyesore to the neighborhood and ultimately to the community.

DARLENE HENDERSON  
St. Clair Shores

### Benazir Bhutto's assassination

To the Editor:

The horrific assassination of Benazir Bhutto in Pakistan — so reminiscent of the shooting of President John F. Kennedy in Dallas in 1963 — is the latest world event to demonstrate the incompetence and moral bankruptcy of U.S. foreign policy, especially in the Middle East.

After the first attempt on Bhutto's life in October 2007, our State Department asked Pakistan dictator Parvez Musharraf to provide enhanced security for her.

In spite of our investment of \$10 million in this corrupt and unpopular regime, it is now ob-

vious that the government made no serious effort to safeguard Mrs. Bhutto.

While we may never trace the assassin back to Musharraf, his finger prints are all over this murder.

What do we hear about the future?

United States Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice says we'll continue to support Musharraf, whether or not he holds free elections as scheduled in January 2008.

Evidently, there's nothing this despot can do which would cause America enough embarrassment to abandon his cause.

The only heroes in this catastrophe are the middle class Pakistanis, especially the lawyers and judges, who have defied the dictator in spite of his provocations.

It's a sad day when our country countenances such evil.

WILLIAM D. HODGMAN  
Grosse Pointe Park



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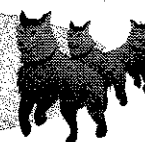


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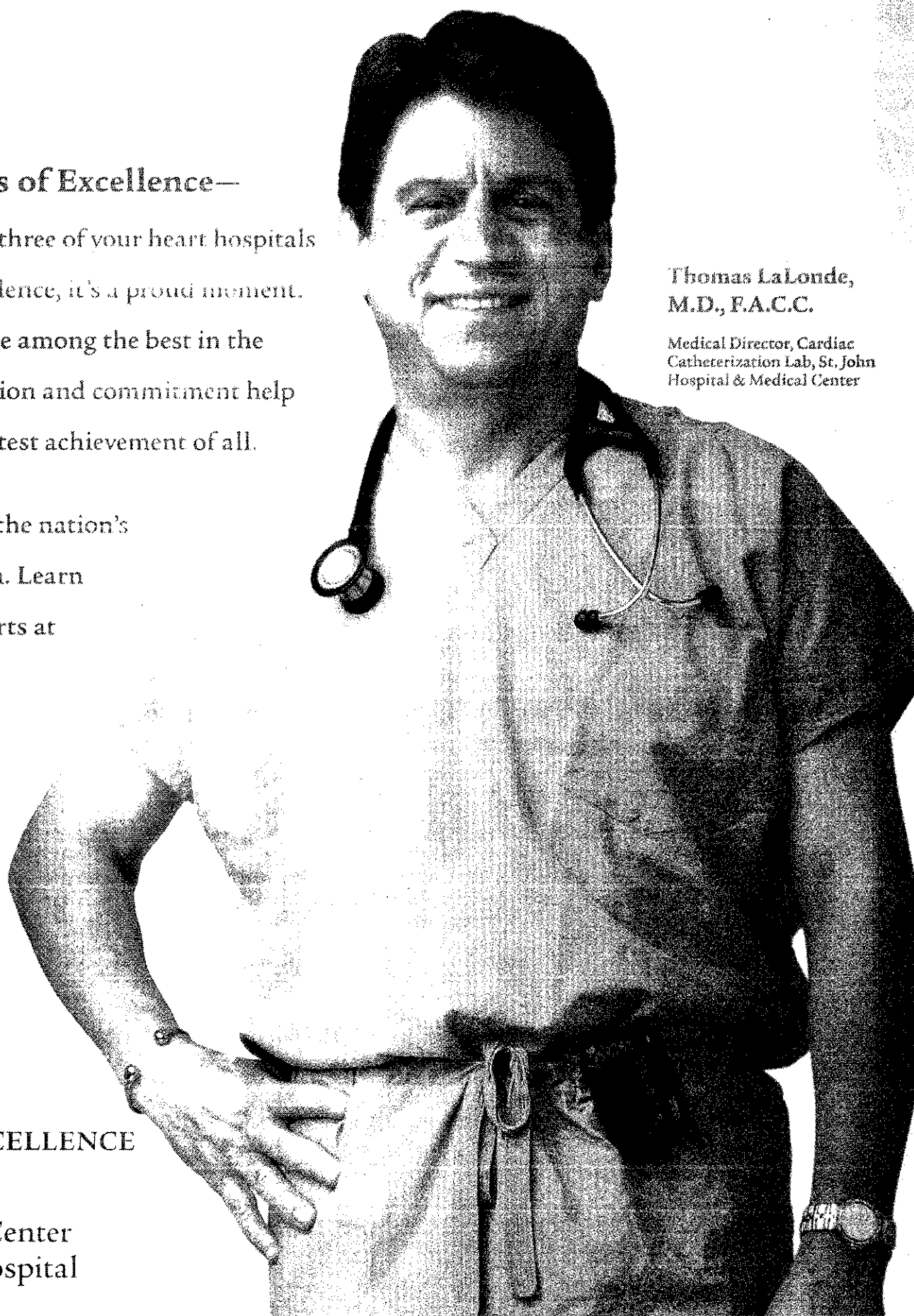


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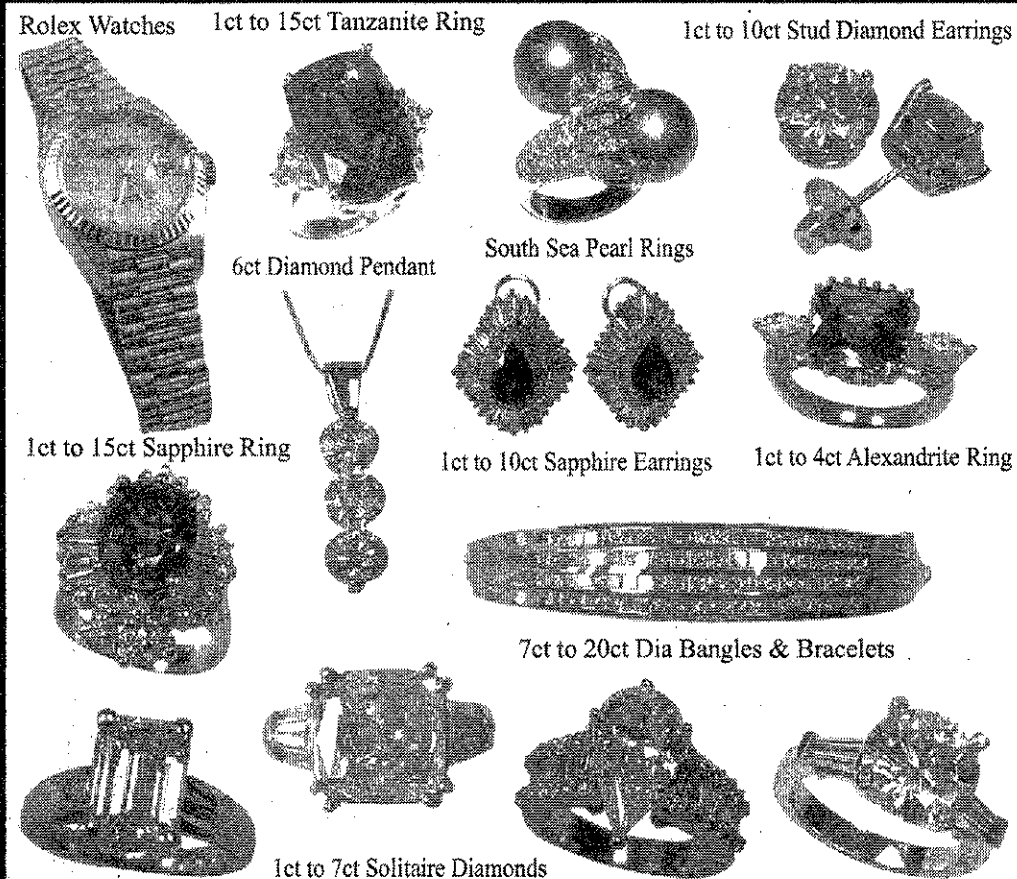
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## Sharing their talent

The Grosse Pointe North bands and orchestras, under the direction of director Dave Cleveland, were busy sharing their talents with the community during the holiday season leading up to Christmas. The instrumentals, above, performed a holiday concert for students at Parcels Middle School on Dec. 19. The jazz band found time to perform for residents at the Sunrise Senior Living and at the annual Barnes Christmas party.

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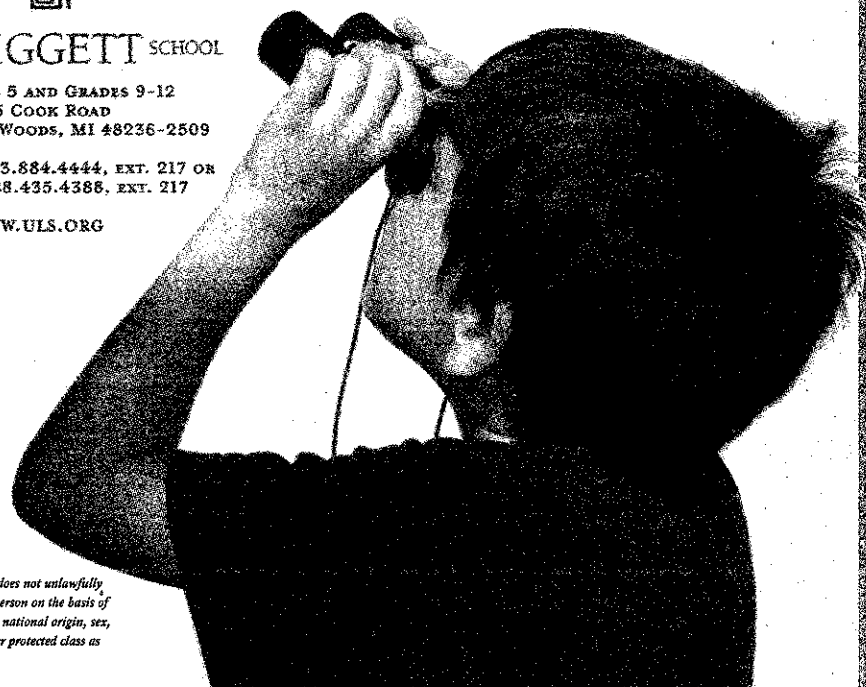
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## THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY



## Academy forensics team receives nine first places

The 2007-08 Grosse Pointe Academy Forensics Team successfully competed in the 7th/8th grade Eastside Catholic Forensics League meet at St. Thecla on Saturday, Dec. 8. Eighteen of the 24 students, who competed, placed in at least one round. Overall the team earned nine first places.

Pictured with team coaches Mary Jo Johnson (on left) and Harriett Whitaker (on right) are, front row from left: the multiple interpretation team of Alex Parker, Michael McCuish, Somers Brush, Grace Rentschler and Robert Stanley, who received a first place in two rounds, a third place in one round and an overall second place based on accumulated points; back row: Samantha Fitzpatrick, who received a first and third place in poetry; Chandler Warren, who received a first place and two second places along with an overall first place in the impromptu category; and the duo interpretation team of Elizabeth DiMauro and Lexie Fisher, who received a first place in all three rounds and an overall first place with a perfect score.

Additional awards were given to Jack Crane in declamation, second place, Dylan Demkowicz in impromptu, second place, Katarina Goitz in storytelling, one second and two third places, C.J. Elliott and Meade Maxwell in duo interpretation, second and third place, Gerard Smith and Ryan Rochte in duo interpretation second and third place, Liam McIlroy in poetry, two third places, and Karstan Minanov in drama, two third places.

## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

## Robotics class coming soon?

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Next fall, a group of Grosse Pointe public school students will be taking a Star Trek-like course offered at Grosse Pointe South — robotics.

Several years ago, TI Automotives offered school officials \$20,000 to start a robotics course.

The offer was accepted. However, robotics was covered more as an extracurricular activity and students performed a majority of the work during after-school hours.

High school teacher Ken Ginger recently asked board members to approve a pilot robotics course in which both South and North students could enroll.

"We hope to adopt this concept and even fund it," Ginger said.

"I think we can go far with this."

Ginger also said the robotics course aids students in math, science, engineering, physics, business, marketing, teamwork and communications.

If it is successful, the course would be offered at both high schools.

Ginger said the robotics course will not take the place of the Robotics Team, which will continue as an extracurricular

activity.

"We need about 20 students to make this course happen," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum, assessment, instruction and technology.

The course would prepare students for college prep courses or vocational co-op classes.

The robotics education would more specifically give students opportunities to develop:

- ◆ Time management
- ◆ Resource allocation
- ◆ Teaming
- ◆ Information accessing
- ◆ Systems analysis
- ◆ Design and engineering

This course, which would include a limited amount of start-up funds, would be available for enrollment in the 2008-09 school year.

To minimize the start-up cost, Ginger suggested students use mobile laptops or the desktops located in the IA 215 Computer Aided Design Lab room at South.

There is storage needed for projects, which can be built into the CAD Lab room with each student's VEX Robotics kit having a separate drawer, he said.

The introduction to robotics course is a full-year class open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

## Smith named district alternate

Isha Smith will have another item placed on her to-do

list this year.

Smith, business manager for the Grosse Pointe Public School System, was appointed by the board of education as the district's alternate director to the Metropolitan Association for Improved School Legislation Joint Risk Management Trust Board, which is a property and liability insurance pool.

The board provides coverage and other risk management services that are competitive in both scope and cost.

Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent of business and support services, did not have an alternate director.

The appointment of Smith allows Fenton more time to remain at his post and gives the school district a representative at the group's meetings.

"It would be nice to have an alternate, since we're required to attend the several meetings per year," Fenton said.

The next meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m., Feb. 7, at the Dickinson Center in Livonia.


— By Bob St. John

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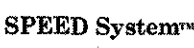

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## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Teachers ready for curriculum changes

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

State mandated curriculum changes have prompted Grosse Pointe school officials to shuffle the district's class offerings.

"We have to give a lot of credit to the curriculum committee for making revisions that have students prepared for the Michigan Merit Exams, MME," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum, assessment, instruction and technology.

Several high school science teachers presented the new class sequence students can take, starting with their final year of middle school.

Allan said the sequence is the best way to ensure students are prepared for college. It is designed to encourage and develop life-long scientific literacy; strengthen students' abilities to think like scientists; offer challenging coursework for honors students while providing the opportunity for vertical movement within the sequence; increase and improve honors and advanced placement enrollment and advanced placement passing rates; ensure students are prepared for the MME; ensure students have developed science reasoning, constructing and reflecting skills that will help them perform well on the ACT and SAT; and allow all students to meet the new graduation requirements.

Students will need more molecular, organic and polymer chemistry to meet the state curriculum. Students also may have to take nuclear chemistry.

The science teachers concurred that students will need strong math skills to be competitive in physics courses.

To graduate, the new state curriculum requires students to take the four core sciences; earth science, biology, chemistry and physics.

Recommended science sequences for college preparatory classes begin with earth science, followed by biology and chemistry or physics or another elective.

For accelerated honors students, the sequence begins with honors earth science, followed by honors biology, which coincides with honors geometry, honors chemistry, honors physics or an advanced placement course and other advanced placement classes or other electives.

"We need collaborative efforts and a beefed up summer program to help students," Allan said. "The state sequence has limited flexibility with courses students take."

Four social studies teachers from the high schools and middle schools also presented board of education members

with their findings.

"Changes at the state level has created a very compressed time line for the district," Allan said to board members. "The new social studies sequence is the result of careful data analysis, examination of sequences in other districts, review of best practice and substantial discussion and debate by the K-12 social studies committee."

An honors option is provided for freshmen that aligns with middle school courses.

In addition, the school district offers advanced placement U.S. history as an option for both sophomores and juniors.

"Maintaining flexibility and options for students by placing all students in a parallel curriculum, world history and honors world history in the ninth grade allows students to move up or down and preserves their options for AP courses," Allan said.

Students will also take advanced level government and economics courses. These courses will have more relevance to students as they near voting age and gain work experience, Allan added.

The college preparatory social studies sequence starts with world history and geography and the student then can take either government and economics as a sophomore, or U.S. history and geography, followed by government and economics, and an elective option as a junior and senior, respectively.

If a student takes the government and economics class as a sophomore, they can also move into advanced placement U.S. history and advanced placement government and politics, or advanced placement economics during their sophomore and junior years.

## G.P. NORTH

# Band O Rama Jan. 10

Grosse Pointe North High School hosts its annual BandORama at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 10, in the north gymnasium.

This performance will include bands from Ferry, Mason, Monteith and Poupard elementary schools, Parcels Middle School and North High School.

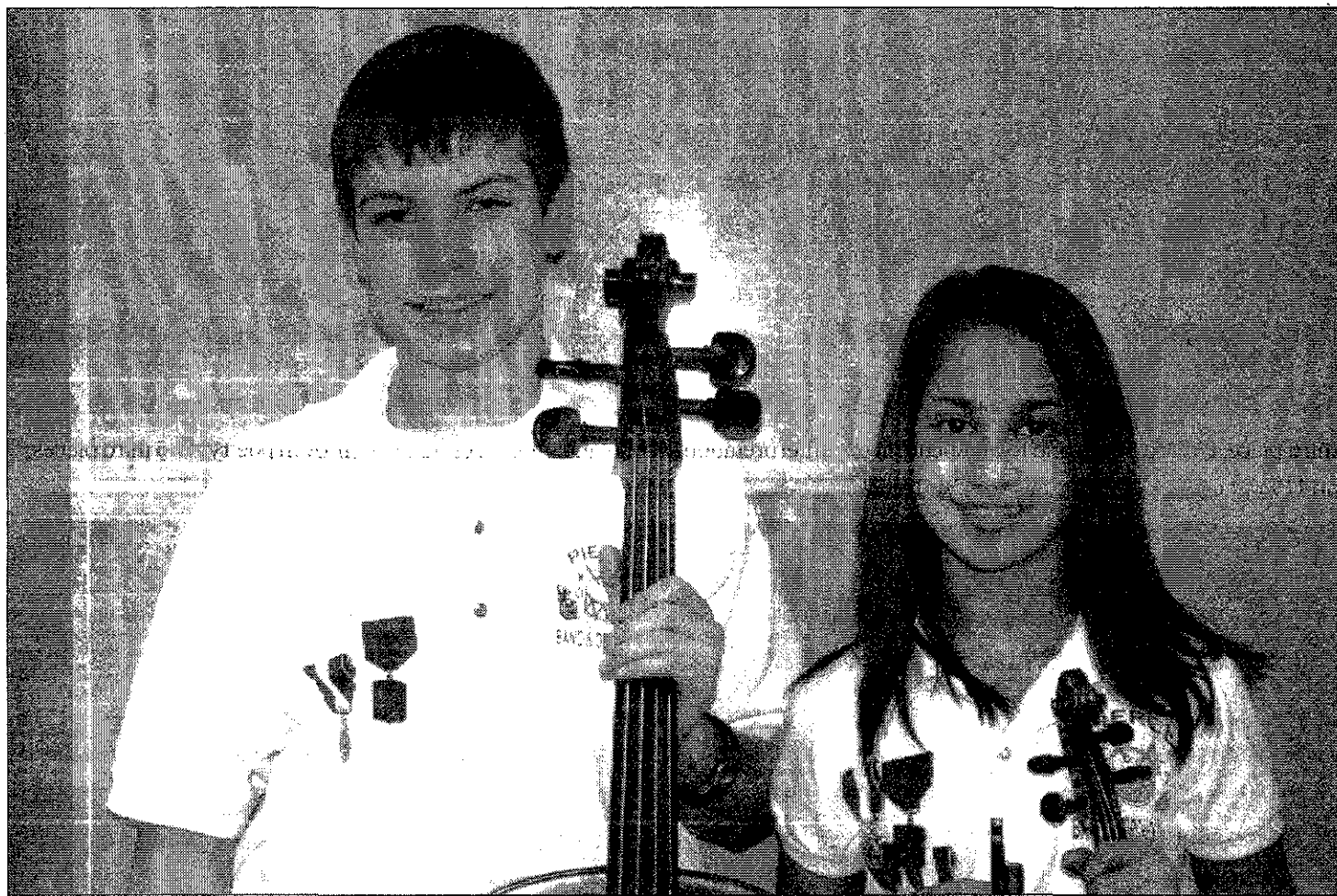
The North jazz band and pep band will also perform. No admission will be charged, but donations will be accepted.



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# All-state orchestra

Grosse Pointe South students, pictured above, from left, Nensi Bakui, violin; Jasper Zientek, viola and Brooke Lyon, viola; and Pierce Middle School students, below from left, Brian Hall (cello) and Erika Arora (violin) were selected to the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's All-State Orchestra. On Jan. 24, they will perform with other musicians at the DeVos Center and Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids.



## GROSSE POINTE FARMS

# Fisk to perform to benefit choir

Folk singer Jef Fisk will perform at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park Boathouse.

Doors open at 7 p.m. All funds benefit the South choir program. The event includes casual cuisine, desserts and soft drinks.

"This is all about having a

great time and raising a little money for a fabulous group of high school students who put their heart and soul into their art," said Fisk, a Grosse Pointe resident.

Fisk spent the 1970s traveling the country, singing in folk festivals, concerts and coffee houses.

"Last year's first unplugged event was one of the most enjoyable events I have been to in years," said Grosse Pointe Farms resident Kathy Marowske. "I had no idea we had such great talent in our area. I am looking forward to bringing even more friends this year."

A limited number of tickets are available.

Tickets are \$30 and available by calling (313) 885-1359. Charges are accepted by phone or mail checks to 576 Washington, City of Grosse Pointe, MI 48230. Make checks payable to GPS Choir Boosters.

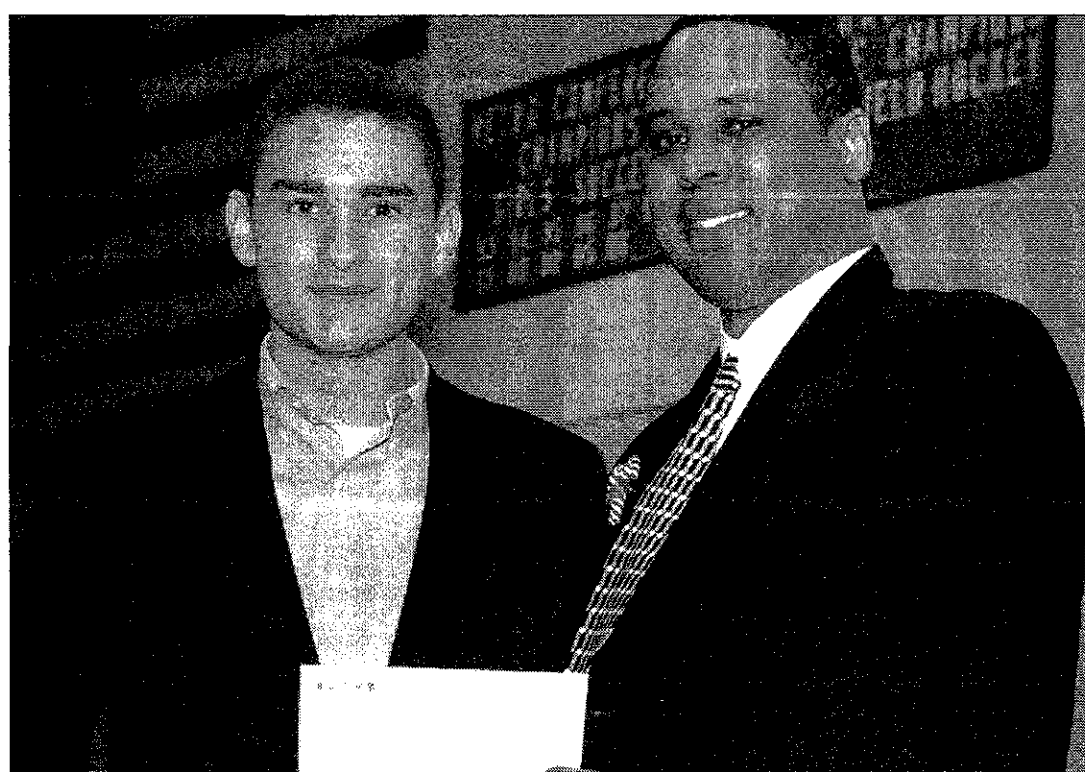


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# All for COTS

At an all-school holiday assembly Dec. 21, University Liggett School senior Joseph D. Rippolone Jr., left, co-president of the ULS upper school charitable club, Casa Maria, presented Curtis Smith of the Coalition on Temporary Shelter COTS with a check for more than \$750.

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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Board approves trips abroad

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Dozens of Grosse Pointe South musicians will be traveling abroad this winter.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education members gave the groups their stamp of approval to spread their talents across the Atlantic Ocean.

Tom Harwood, assistant superintendent of human resources and labor negotiations, will be accompanying the South Pointe Singers to Barcelona, Tarragona, Valencia and Madrid, Spain the week of Feb. 15.

Choir director Ellen Bowen will be leading her students' performances in Barcelona as part of the American Celebration of Music throughout the country.

In addition, students will visit the Gothic Quarter and its famous cathedral, the Placa del Rei, and the Roman City, along with the National Museum of

Ceramics in Valencia.

While in Madrid, the group will visit the Plaza Mayor, Plaza de Espana, Retiro Park, the entrances to the Royal Palace and the Prado Museum. They will also tour the El Escorial, the palace and monastery built by Phillip II, the Royal Apartments, the Basilica, the Church of St. Tome, and the El Greco House and Museum.

Brandon Sloan, assistant principal and athletic director at South, will accompany the South Symphony Band and Orchestra to London.

Dan White, South's band director, and James Gross, orchestra director, will guide these students, who will participate in the adjudicated London Heritage of Music Festival the week of March 18.

The schedule of events will be finalized two weeks prior to the trip.

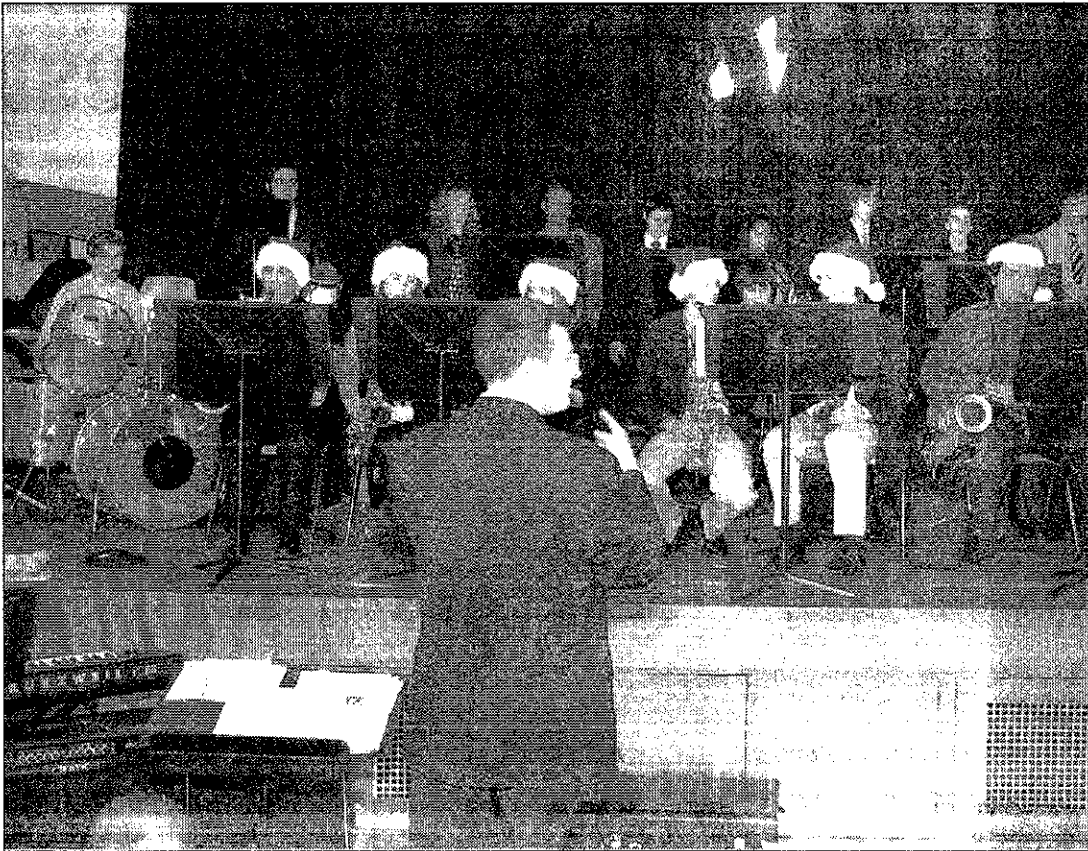
More than a dozen parents will chaperone each trip.



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Christmas at Barnes

Barnes Early Childhood Center in Grosse Pointe Woods held a pancake breakfast in its gymnasium the week before Christmas. Residents had an opportunity to get their pictures taken with Santa Claus, make reindeer food, and decorate picture frames. Pictured above is Aidan Lynch, 5, with Santa. Pictured left, members of Grosse Pointe North's Jazz Band play holiday songs for participants.



GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Comcast changes

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointers will have to make a mental note of a channel change.

Board of education meetings, which were broadcast on Channel 20 for the past few years, will be broadcast on Channel 902, starting Tuesday, Jan. 15.

The district's educational access channels are currently 20 and 22 under Comcast. As of Jan. 15, Channel 22 will be

Channel 903.

Comcast said by Jan. 15, the company will provide public, education and government programming in a high-quality digital format on consistent channels in uniform locations statewide. Current basic and preferred basic customers can continue to receive PEG programming by acquiring a digital converter, digital service or compatible equipment, representatives said.

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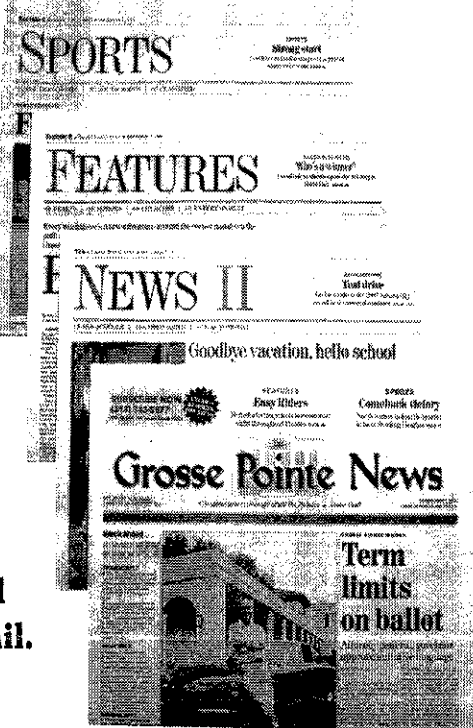
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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Student earns top honor

The Michigan Music Education Association selected Grosse Pointe South student Topher Horn's song entitled "Webster" for inclusion in the 2008 Michigan Honors Composition Concert.

Horn, a senior, is a member of symphony band, the jazz band and Tri M music honor society. He is also a music technology student of Ellen Bowen, director of vocal music at Grosse Pointe South and a private student of Fredrick DeHaven, professor at Oakland University.

His selection will be featured in a concert honoring the 21 selected compositions from elementary and secondary students. The concert will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Ambassador Room of the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids.

Professor John Kratus from Michigan State University in a letter to Horn, said "I enjoyed your piece very much and played the CD for one of my college classes."



Pictured above is Topher Horn, a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Horn of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Topher plans on majoring in music composition next year in college.



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St. Clare fun

The first-graders at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School enjoyed a day at the Coon Creek Apple Orchard in Armada. Upon arriving, a member of the Ojibwa Indian tribe told the children about tribal legends. They also went on a hay wagon ride, picked apples in the orchard, and finished up with cider and donuts. A few days later, students and their teachers and parents baked apple turnovers.



# Caribou Coffee lends helping hand to Gleaners

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The Caribou Coffee stores in the Grosse Pointes are making their best effort to help the homeless in Metro Detroit.

Customers who donate two non-perishable food items get \$1 off a beverage. All food items are given to Gleaners Food Bank.

"I thought this would be a

good idea, since Caribou Coffee does a lot to give back to the community," said Caribou Coffee shift supervisor Matt Kadrach. "This is something that benefits a lot of people in a positive way."

Kadrach came up with the idea and presented it to his manager, James Harper.

"Things have worked out well with this idea," Harper said. "It gets the community in-

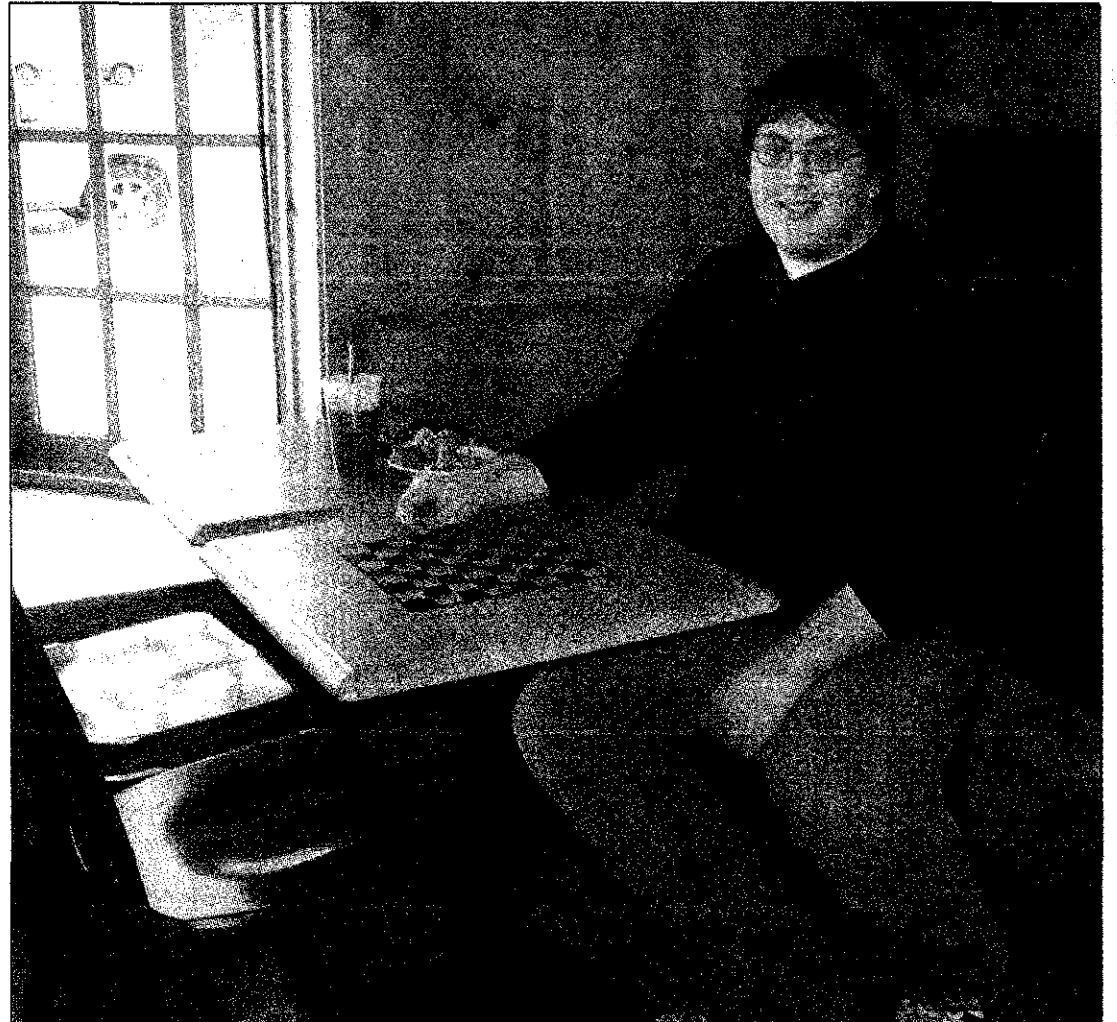
volved."

According to the Gleaners Web site, the Gleaners Community Food Bank in collaboration with its member agencies, other area food banks and American's Second Harvest organizations, with community backing and support, provides surplus donated and low cost food and related personal care products to people in need in southeastern Michigan.

Gleaners is committed to adopting best practices, cost-effective systems and procedures to achieve the highest possible return on its human and financial resources, the site said.

"We're picking up the pace a little more, since the holidays are over," Kadrach said. "We originally set a Dec. 31 deadline, but we didn't get the response we were looking for, so we decided to extend our efforts until we get enough donations."

"All donations help, especially with our declining economy," said Gleaners Information Systems Service Director John Kastler. "It's nice of Caribou Coffee to help our efforts. People in southeastern Michigan know how to give."



PHOTOS BY BOB ST. JOHN



Grosse Pointer Steve Verbeke, left, has helped Gleaners in the past and present. He is helped by employee Billy Shuman, right, and Erika Wagner as Matt Kadrach looks on.

Grosse Pointe Woods Caribou Coffee shift supervisor Matt Kadrach, above, came up with the idea to help Gleaners Food Bank with food donations.

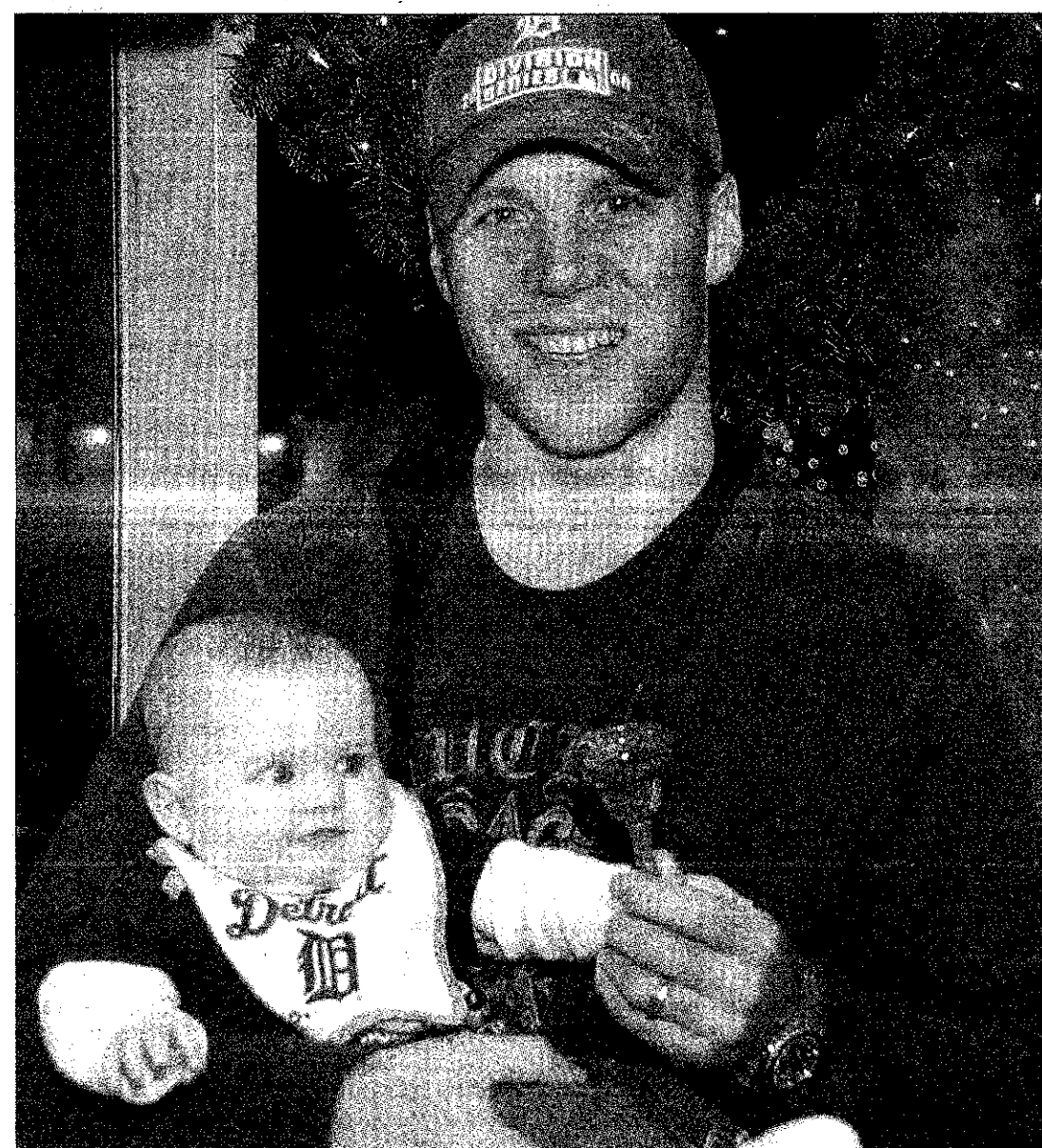


PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Maltby delivers

Detroit Red Wing standout Kirk Maltby stopped by the City of Grosse Pointe Sanders Tuesday, Dec. 11, to help ring the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle. Maltby was in competition with his teammates, who went to other locations to see who can raise the most money. To help donations, two Sanders Fantasy Baskets with autographed Kirk Maltby jerseys inside, were given away. Pictured left is Maltby with helper Erin Macleod.

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# OBITUARIES

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## Lucile Althen

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Lucile Althen died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2007. She was 95 years old.

Ms. Althen was born June 21, 1912 in Bad Axe.

She practiced as a registered nurse in many different settings including hospital nursing at St. John Hospital and industrial nursing at several automotive factories. She concluded her career in nursing as the director of nursing at an extended care facility.

After retiring, she traveled extensively with friends. She also was an avid reader and a past member of Great Books Club. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms and for many years she organized the book department for the annual rummage sale.

In her later years, Ms. Althen and her beloved dog, Lucy, were a familiar sight as they strolled for hours up and down the streets of her Grosse Pointe Farms neighborhood.

Several years ago declining health forced her to become housebound. She was lovingly cared for by a group of dedicated care givers who attended to her physical and spiritual health. She died peacefully in her own home as she had hoped she would.

Mrs. Althen is survived by her nephew, Dr. Richard (Beverly) Corpron; and longtime friends Richard, Irene and John Frank, and Dolly Smedley.

She was predeceased by her husband, Peter.

Funeral services were held Dec. 4 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Edythe H. Burkman

Edythe H. Burkman, 77, of Vero Beach, Fla., died Saturday, Dec. 29, 2007, at Indian River Medical Center in Vero Beach.

She was born Aug. 13, 1930 in Lansing and had been a resident of Vero Beach since 1988, having moved there from Malibu, Calif.

Mrs. Burkman was a graduate of Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree and an accounting degree.

She was a retired executive accountant for Fruehauf Trucking.

She is survived by three daughters, Linda, Cecilia (Douglas) Robinson, Bree Edith Burkman and Alisa Ann (Dr. Harrison) Todd, all of Vero Beach; sister, Susan H. White of Grosse Pointe and Marco Island, Fla.; and grandchildren Laurel S. Robinson, Don W. Robinson, Nicole Wayne, Christopher Wayne, Zachary Todd, Ariana Todd and Alexa Todd.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in Grosse Pointe.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Humane Society, 6230 77th St., Vero Beach, FL 32967.

Memories may be shared with the family at [lowtherfuneralhome.com](http://lowtherfuneralhome.com).

## John Chandler, Jr.

John Chandler Jr., 87, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007, after many years with Alzheimer's disease. Mr. Chandler was a former headmaster of Grosse Pointe University School.

Mr. Chandler was born Oct. 18, 1920 to John and Katherine Fassett Chandler in Sterling, Mass., where he grew up on the family farm, Meadowbrook Orchards. He graduated from Groton School in 1938 and Yale University in 1942.

John and Fay Cowgill of Fairfield, Conn., were engaged to be married Dec. 7, 1941 and learned of the attack on Pearl Harbor as they waited for a train to take them to their en-

gagement party. They married Sept. 19, 1942.

Mr. Chandler joined the U.S. Navy to fight in World War II. As an officer, he served aboard the destroyer, U.S.S. Bell, in both the North Atlantic and South Pacific theaters.

Following World War II, he spent two years as an assistant dean of Yale University before coming to Grosse Pointe. He was headmaster at Grosse Pointe University School for 14 years. He closed his career in education as the vice president of the National Association of Independent Schools in Boston, Mass.

An avid athlete and boater, Mr. Chandler rowed crew at both Groton and Yale. He continued to row throughout his life as a member of the Union Boat Club in Boston and participated in many Head of the Charles Regattas, rowing an Alden shell. For several years, he also hosted the New Meadows River Cruise Regatta for Alden shells in Bath, Maine. He also was a longtime skier and sailor.

Mr. Chandler and his wife retired to their summer home on Small Pointe, Maine and wintered for many years on a small house boat of their own design in LaParguera, Puerto Rico.

He is survived by his five children, Darcy Marentette of Eugene, Ore., Abby Norling of Skowhegan, Maine, Becky Cuthbert of Brunswick, Maine, Jack Chandler of Sterling, Mass., and Bill Chandler of Stratham, N.H.; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Fay.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Maine Alzheimer's Association, 163 Lancaster Street, Portland, ME 04101 or Phippsburg Fire and Rescue, c/o James W. Totman, P.O. Box 83, Phippsburg, ME 04562.

## William Wiess Cunningham

William Wiess Cunningham, 77, died of natural causes on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008, at his home in Grosse Pointe Farms.

He was born Feb. 7, 1930 in Scranton, Pa. A resident of Grosse Pointe for more than half a century, Mr. Cunningham attended Trombley Elementary School and Pierce Junior High in Grosse Pointe Park, before attending Culver Military Academy in Culver, Ind.

Mr. Cunningham received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University in 1952, and upon graduating, he served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He received his Master of Business Administration Degree from Harvard University in 1956 and pursued a career in finance and asset management, first at The Continental Bank in Chicago, and then at Morgan Guarantee Trust in New York City.

While living in Chicago, Mr. Cunningham met his wife, Mary Ellen "Mel" Lavin, of Marion, Mass. They were married 44 years until her death in 2000. The Cunningham's raised their four children in Grosse Pointe Farms.

While in Grosse Pointe, Mr. Cunningham worked at the National Bank of Detroit, before starting his own business, Bond Net, in 1972. Mr. Cunningham was a pioneer in the integration of finance and technology. His company was one of the first in the country to distribute financial pricing data online packaged with analytical software tools.

His family indicated that Mr. Cunningham was a lifelong Republican and actively promoted free market and libertarian ideas. Above all, he cherished the concept of individual freedom, and was fond of quoting Patrick Henry, "Give me

liberty or give me death."

Mr. Cunningham was a member of the Grosse Pointe Club, the University Club, the Yale Club of New York City, and a lifetime member of the Country Club of Detroit.

Mr. Cunningham was the son of Kenneth Wallace and Pauline Priddie Cunningham of Beaumont, Texas and subsequently of Grosse Pointe, where Kenneth served as mayor of Grosse Pointe Park.

Mr. Cunningham is survived by his children, Amy Andres Cunningham Atkinson of San Francisco, William Wallace Cunningham II of Louisville, Ky., Courtland Baxter Cunningham of New York City and Caroline McFaddin Cunningham of Grosse Pointe; his sister, Nena Elizabeth (William) Dahling of Grosse Pointe; and six grandchildren: William and Nena Atkinson of San Francisco, William and Polly Cunningham of Louisville, Ky., and Frederick and Charley Cunningham of New York City.

A memorial service celebrating Mr. Cunningham's life will be held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 13 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Heritage Foundation, 214 Massachusetts Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20002.

## Ruth McCormick Drake

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Ruth McCormick Drake, 89, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007.

Mrs. Drake was one of fraternal twins born at home in Albany, Ind. on Dec. 30, 1917 to Jesse and Charles Roy McCormick.

She attended DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind. and graduated from the prestigious Katharine Gibbs School of Boston. She worked as an executive secretary in Boston, Hollywood and Washington, D.C., where she met her husband Kenneth Stephens Drake. Following their marriage in 1946 the couple moved to Detroit, where Mrs. Drake continued to work until the birth of their first child in 1951.

Mrs. Drake was briefly married to Donald J. Heistand, who was killed while serving his country in World War II.

The Drakes were longtime residents of Grosse Pointe Farms, where they were members of The Country Club of Detroit, The Detroit Club, The Detroit Athletic Club, The Alliance Francaise and Christ Church Grosse Pointe. They were longtime members of Rolling Rock Club in Ligonier, Pa., where they enjoyed many years of horseback riding and playing golf. The family spent many enjoyable summers alternating between northern Michigan and the eastern shore.

Following the death of her husband in 1993, Mrs. Drake moved to Dearborn, where she resided at Henry Ford Village for nine years before moving to Waltonwood in Royal Oak. She lived for the last year at the residence of her daughter, Molly, in Beverly Hills.

In her early adult life, Mrs. Drake was an avid horsewoman. In later years, she, her husband and their daughter, Connie, would spend several weeks each summer riding in Wyoming at Eaton's Ranch.

Mrs. Drake enjoyed golfing and traveling to Europe on several occasions—the first in 1937 when she and her sister sailed on the Queen Mary.

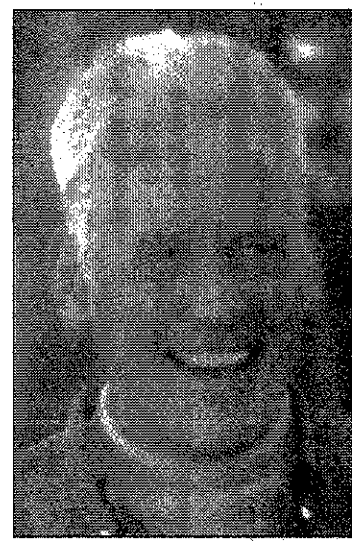
She was active with her husband in his public relations business, Kenneth Drake Associates, working with The Detroit Symphony, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Fisher Theatre, The Detroit Historical



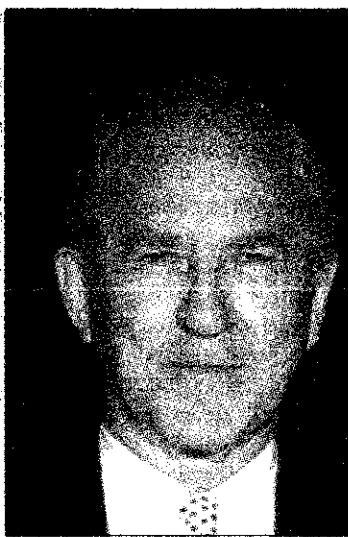
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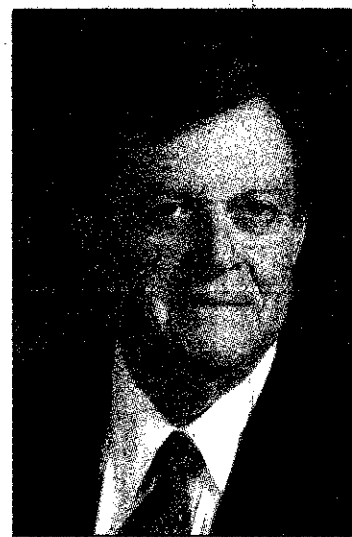
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Museum and The Center for Creative Studies.

In her leisure time, she enjoyed sewing, needlepoint, refinishing furniture and decoupage. She took pride in gifting her family with her creations.

Most recently, Mrs. Drake delighted in attending the Adult Day Care program at the Dorothy and Peter Brown Center at Jewish Vocational Services in Southfield.

She is survived by her daughters, Molly MacDonald of Beverly Hills, and Constance Drake of Lummi Island, Wash.; her sons-in-law, Thomas Pettit and Terrence Diffley; and seven grandchildren: Erin, Meghan, Brittany, Chase and Drake MacDonald, and AnaRuth and Emile Diffley.

A memorial service was held Nov. 28 and a committal service of her remains were held on what would have been her 90th birthday on Dec. 30 in the columbarium of Christ Church.

Memorial donations may be made to The Dorothy and Peter Brown Jewish Community Adult Day Care Program, 6720 Maple Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48322; Christ Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or The Pink Fund, founded by Mrs. Drake's daughter, Molly.

## Robert F. Edwards

Former longtime Grosse Pointe resident Robert F. Edwards, 76, currently of Brighton, died Sunday, Dec. 16, 2007.

Mr. Edwards enjoyed a long and successful career in the title insurance industry and was vice president, corporate marketing manager for the Chicago Title Insurance Co. prior to his retirement in 2000. He belonged to, and was active in, numerous trade-related associations and organizations.

He was a former member of the Detroit Yacht Club, Bayview Yacht Club and Gowanie Golf Club and an active member of the Detroit Athletic Club and the Detroit Golf Club. He was very proud to have "shot his age" several times and scored eight holes-in-one.

Mr. Edwards was also a member of the University of Michigan Alumni Association and an avid fan and supporter of U of M football for many years.

His family said he was known for his smile, sense of humor, generosity and kind manner. He will be missed by all whose lives he touched.

Mr. Edwards is survived by Karen, his loving wife and devoted life partner of 32 years; mother-in-law JoAnn Lingenfelter; brother-in-law Ken Lingenfelter; nephew David; and nieces Joanna, Jennifer and Julie.

He also is survived by his dear friends, Ed and Judy Burton of Lisle, Ill., and Doug and Colleen Hunter of



Helen I. Fisher

Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario. Services were private. Memorial donations may be made to Evans Scholars Foundation, 1 Briar Road, Golf, IL 60029. Share memories with the family at [DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://DesmondFuneralHome.com).

## Helen I. Fisher

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Helen I. Fisher, 96, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Detroit. She was the beloved wife of Julius and loving and devoted mother of three daughters, five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Fisher was born Aug. 17, 1911 in Detroit to Paul and Agnes Mateuszek. She grew up in Detroit, where she graduated from high school. As a single woman, she had a sense of adventure learning to fly a bi-wing airplane and traveling aboard an ocean liner to Europe.

She married Julius "Ed" Fisher in 1937. In 1948, the family moved to Daytona Beach, Fla., where the Fishers remained for nearly 50 years. When empty nesters, their home was always open and sometimes the house was filled wall-to-wall with their daughters and their families.

Mrs. Fisher was a member of the Peninsula Club and served for 25 years as a member of the Peninsula Medical Center Auxiliary. Moving to California 10 years ago to live with her daughter, Linda, was a big change.

A year after the death of her husband in 2000, Mrs. Fisher returned to Michigan, again with her daughter, Linda. They have resided in the Farms for the last six years, which have been marked by terrific family birthday parties celebrating Mrs. Fisher's 10th decade.

Her family will remember her as a spirited woman with a sense of fun and unconditional love, an outgoing nature and ready smile. She was always a good sport, ready to listen, and game to be included in the latest family event. She never complained.

Her love of theater, especially musicals, never waned. Whether to London or San Francisco, she was always ready to hop on a plane to visit a daughter. She enjoyed play-



Michael J. Frear

ing the piano and taught her children the home arts — to sew, knit, crochet and, of course, cook!

Mrs. Fisher is survived by her children, Christine (the late Sam) Minnella, Joyce (Don) Tubb, and Linda Fisher; grandchildren Catherine (Tom) Shortridge, Michael (Claire) Minnella, Elizabeth Minnella (Frank) Gonzalez, Cari (Mel) Fair, and Amelia Tubb; great-grandchildren Benton and Faith Shortridge; Adrianna, Matthew, and Marc Minnella; Samantha and Tyler Gonzalez; Taylor and Madison Fair; and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Julius; sisters Genevieve and Henrietta, and her parents.

A service of the resurrection will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cremains will be placed at a later date in the family plot in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Presbyterian Women, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Share memories with the family at [wujekcalcaterra.com](http://wujekcalcaterra.com).

## Michael Joseph Frear

Michael Joseph Frear, 52, formerly of the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms, died Friday, Dec. 28, 2007, at his home in Salt Lake City, Utah, following a six-month battle with cancer.

Mr. Frear attended St. Paul Grade School and graduated from Austin High School in 1973. He graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering and a master's in environmental science. He was employed by LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City for 17 years.

Mr. Frear was an avid outdoorsman. He began skiing at age 7 at Otsego Ski Club in Gaylord. He taught skiing at Park City, Utah resorts and was a passionate bicyclist, backcountry skier, golfer and sailor. He sailed mostly in the Caribbean Sea from Grenada West to Aruba. He qualified for

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Skippers papers out of St. John in the West Indies.

Mr. Frear is survived by his wife, Suzanne (Kearney); step-daughters Shannon and Sara Hatch; his parents, Bob and Joan (Thibodeau) Frear of Grosse Pointe Farms; siblings Robert Jr. (Karen) of Shanghai, China, David (Leslie) of Wilton, Conn., Joan (John) Capuano of Grosse Pointe Farms, and Julie (Stephen) Schappe of Camp Hill, Pa.; sister-in-law Diane (Wurst) of High Point, N. C.; and 40 loving nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother, Peter.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Sandy, Utah.

His family wrote: "Michael, you will be dearly missed by all you touched. You will live in our hearts forever."

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mr. Frear's memory to Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, 5001 Angel Canyon Rd., Kanab, UT 84741; Kindred Spirits, 974 East 2100 South, Studio 5, Salt Lake City, UT 84106; or a charity of the donor's choice.

### Albert John Gonas

Grosse Pointe Shores resident Albert John Gonas, died peacefully Christmas morning 2007.

He was born April 11, 1913 in Burtler, Pa. and had a distinguished 49-year career as a senior design engineer for General Motors Corp. He continued to work for many years as a design consultant after his first retirement. He was also the model for the archer on the famous Pierce-Arrow hood ornament.

He was active in many clubs including the Bayview Yacht Club, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and the Woodworkers.

Mr. Gonas will be remembered as an unparalleled innovator, a loving husband and father, a perfect gentleman and a generous friend to many.

He was predeceased by his wife, Ruth Mae (Schneider) Gonas in 1985, and leaves behind their loving son Robert Gonas and Robert's partner, Kenneth Greer.

He also was predeceased by his second wife, Mary Kalman Gonas in 2004 and leaves behind their devoted niece Julie Kalman Fuller and her husband, Barry; and their son, Jason, and his wife, Nancy.

He also is survived by his sisters, Margaret Wooten and Elma Kloka; many loving nephews, nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces; and a multitude of friends.

He was predeceased by his sisters, Theresa Klang and Veronica Langmesser.

Arrangements were handled by A. H. Peters Funeral Home including cremation and a private interment. A memorial celebration of Mr. Gonas' life will be held at a later date.

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

### Edna "Vivilore" Scott Heavner Hitchman

City of Grosse Pointe resident Edna "Vivilore" Scott Heavner Hitchman died peacefully at her home Thursday, Dec. 20, 2007.

Mrs. Hitchman was born in Ludington in 1909 to Ray and Edith Sowle Scott. She was part of a fast disappearing generation that lived through some of modern history's most significant events. Among the more notable were the influenza pandemic of 1918, the Great Depression, two World Wars and the Cold Wars. Her family indicated that Mrs. Hitchman, like many of her generation, was strengthened, rather than weakened, by adversity. She acquired strength of character and an unshakeable optimism that prevailed throughout her long life and served as a model

for her immediate family and others.

Mrs. Hitchman lived most of her life in the Detroit area attending Southeastern High School and Wayne State University. She was active in the theater and her sorority, Delta Gamma Chi, where she developed close friendships that endured throughout her life. While at Wayne State she also met Dr. Lyle Everett Heavner, whom she married in 1934. She then taught as a librarian in the Detroit Public School system.

She was a devoted wife and mother. She raised her younger children alone, while her husband was serving in the military as a surgeon at Iwo Jima.

She was always involved in school activities and events at Wayne. Her piano training led to a lifelong family devotion to music. She enjoyed boat cruises on Lakes St. Clair and Huron with family and friends. After her husband's death in 1978, she spent time traveling and visiting her children.

In 1987, she married Norris Hitchman, a dear friend from her days at Wayne State, and they had many happy years together until his death in 2002. As firm proponents in the value of education, they provided strong support to Wayne State University for student scholarships.

Mrs. Hitchman's final years were spent quietly at her home in Grosse Pointe, where she enjoyed visits from her adult children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by children Carol (Ron) Bussell of Columbus, Ind., Nancy (Roger) Battistella of Ithaca, N.Y., Susan (Michael) Becker of Orlando, Fla., Bob (Carol) Heavner of Berkeley, Calif.; daughter-in-law Diane Heavner; grandchildren Wendy Hamill, Brad Heavner, Connie Cummings, Patricia Carlile, Ron Bussell, Allison and Matthew Battistella, Ari and Rachel Heavner, Vicki Groff and Chris Adams, Josh (Sara) Becker, and Steven (Lisa) Becker.

She also is survived by several great-grandchildren; stepchildren Ann (Bob) Pike, Thomas (Myrna) Hitchman, Julia (James) Smith and step-grandchildren Marianne Smith, Paula (Bryce) Dreeszen, Thomas D. Hitchman, Cynthia (Doug) Pike and Julia Pike.

She was predeceased by her husbands; son Lyle Alan Heavner in April 2007; and a younger sister, Mae, who died as a child.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Dr. Lyle Heavner Medical School Scholarship Fund or Norris Hitchman School of Business Scholarship Fund, Wayne State University Fund Office, 5475 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202.

Share a memory by signing the online guestbook at cremationmichigan.com

### Louis George Jensen

Louis George Jensen, 82, died Friday, Dec. 28, 2007, in Boca Raton, Fla.

Mr. Jensen was born July 12, 1925 in Detroit. He attended St. Matthew Grade School, Catholic Central High School and the University of Detroit.

He went on to serve in the U.S. Army Air Corps before settling down with his wife, Rosemary, in 1950. In 1963, the family moved to Grosse Pointe Farms, where they could enjoy all the amenities the Pointes had to offer.

Mr. Jensen retired to Florida in 1977. He enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his sons, Christopher (Kathleen), David (Diane), Daniel (Laurie) and Frank; grandchildren Peter (Kelly) and John (Katie) Badalament, Danny Jensen, Matthew and Noel Jensen, Daniel, Joseph and Elizabeth Jensen and Lauren, Ethan and Abigail Jensen. He also is survived by his former wife, Rosemary.

He was predeceased by his parents, Ludwig and Mary; brother Dennis; sister Therese; son Michael; and his second wife, Irene.

Mr. Jensen was cremated and a memorial service was held Dec. 31 in Boca Raton.

### Walter L. Kurtz

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Walter L. Kurtz, 75, passed away peacefully Saturday, Jan. 5, 2008.

Mr. Kurtz grew up in Lakewood, Ohio, where he met his future wife, Pat, at age 16. They married Nov. 7, 1953.

Mr. Kurtz served in the U. S. Navy during the Korean War. He retired from Peninsular Steel Co. in 1988. He had many interests and was active in a number of organizations. He was a Master Shrine Mason, a golfer, an avid tool collector, a member of the Lochmoor Club, and a coach for Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League baseball for more than 10 years.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Pat; children Kurt, Kevin, Kerri Sue (Wade) Dougherty, Keith (Carolyn), Karl (Connie), Kyle (Sue), Kelly (William) Montagne, Kris (Cathie); and 19 grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his parents, Walter and Agnes; and his brother, Wesley.

A funeral service was held Jan. 9 at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 24445 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075; Hundred Club of Detroit, 1717 South Dort, Flint, MI 48503; or Cottage Hospital Auxiliary, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

### Andrew W. Michalak III

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Andrew W. Michalak III, 52, passed away Sunday, Dec. 9, 2007, at his home in Plantation, Fla., surrounded by loved ones after a long battle with esophageal cancer.

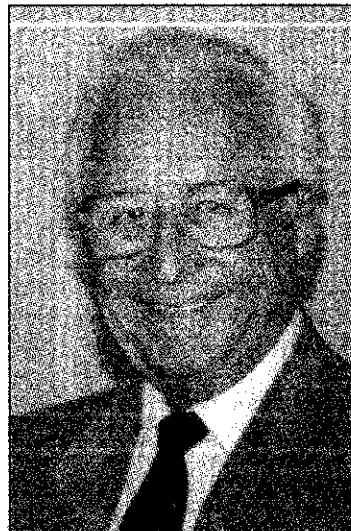
Mr. Michalak was born Oct. 12, 1955 in Detroit to Andrew W. II and Joann Michalak. He attended St. Clare de Montefalco Catholic School and Pierce Middle School. He graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1973 and moved to Florida shortly thereafter to pursue his passion for golf.

Mr. Michalak was the director of golf at Emerald Hills in Hollywood, Fla. for the last 15 years of his life. Members and employees of the golf club described him as the "true hidden gem of Emerald Hills." He truly enjoyed his work and was highly respected in his profession as well as in his personal life.

He enjoyed watching all sports and playing cards, especially gin and Texas hold 'em.

Mr. Michalak will be missed greatly by all who knew him. The Michalak family strongly encourages everyone to be screened for cancer by having an endoscopy and a colonoscopy.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Cynthia; mother Joann Freyberg; siblings Mark, Denise Gianino, Suzanne,



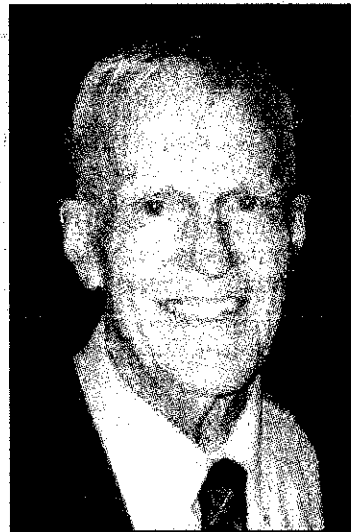
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Ralph B. Soderberg, M.D.



Oliver Gregory Ward

James (Jane) and William; eight nephews; and two nieces.

He was predeceased by his father, Andrew W. II.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 15 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Plantation.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 250 Williams Street, Atlanta, GA 30303 or Vitas Hospice Charity Fund, 5420 NW 33rd Ave., Suite 100, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309.

### Ralph B. Soderberg, M.D.

Ralph Brevig Soderberg, M.D., 78, of Grosse Pointe Park, died Monday, Dec. 17, 2007.

He was born Oct. 22, 1929 in Los Angeles. He grew up there and went to Stanford University where he earned a medical degree. After two years in the U.S. Navy, he moved to Detroit in 1958 and then to Grosse Pointe Park in 1961 where he spent the rest of his life.

Dr. Soderberg practiced medicine at Jennings Hospital until it closed in 1979. He then moved his practice to Mack Avenue and affiliated with Bon Secours Hospital until his retirement in 1995.

Throughout his life, he was an avid stamp collector. In most recent years, he specialized in the stamps from Switzerland. He won several gold awards with his collections.

He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, where he would bowl and enjoy the friendship of many.

Dr. Soderberg is survived by his wife, four children and nine grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

### Richard H. Voorhees

Harper Woods resident Richard H. Voorhees, 57, died Friday, Dec. 28, 2007, at Mt. Clemens Regional Medical Center.

He was born April 10, 1950 in Detroit to Garrett and Jean Voorhees. He was a 1970 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and attended Ferris State University.

Mr. Voorhees was a salesman for Tri-Country International in Dearborn. He

was a motorcycle enthusiast and a member of the Michigan Gold Wings Association motorcycle group.

He was a boating enthusiast and past member of the U. S. and Grosse Pointe Power Squadrons.

He is survived by his sister, Gail (Rick) Stevens; brother Steven (Deborah) Voorhees; and nieces and nephews Mark and Karen Voorhees and Tori Stevens.

He was predeceased by his parents.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, with inurnment at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 48214.

### Oliver Gregory Ward

Grosse Pointe Park resident Oliver Gregory Ward died Saturday, Dec. 22, 2007, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. He was 79 years old.

Mr. Ward was born Sept. 29, 1928 in Detroit to Cyril A. and Frances F. Ward.

He attended the University of Detroit school of accounting and worked at Ward & Ward CPAs for 32 years.

Mr. Ward served as a staff sergeant and radio operator in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He flew 61 bombing missions over Korea from Aug. 1950 to May 1951 on a Boeing B-29 Bomber.

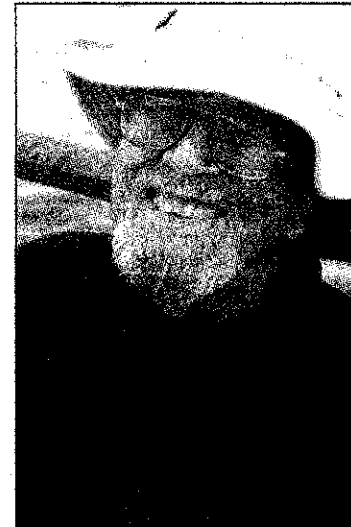
He was a member of the Detroit Yacht Club, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Detroit Athletic Club. He enjoyed bowling and building model airplanes as well as gardening.

Mr. Ward is survived by his wife, Carolyn (McCarren); daughter Elizabeth Ann Berch; sons Michael M. and James O.; grandchildren Oliver G., Vincent J., Ian M. and Caroline E. Ward, and Isabella R. and David J. Berch.

He also is survived by his brother, John Fee Ward.

A service was held Dec. 28 at Assumption Grotto Catholic Church, Detroit with interment at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery, Detroit.

Memorial donations may be made to Assumption Grotto Catholic Church, 13770 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, MI 48205.



George O. Young, Jr.

### Claudine Craig Watt

Claudine Craig Watt, 96, died Friday, Dec. 21, 2007 at Henry Ford Continuing Care Belmont center in Harper Woods. She had lived in the Grosse Pointe area for many years including in the City, Farms and Woods.

She was born in Elk Lake, Ontario, Canada and moved to Michigan as a toddler. Mrs. Watt graduated from Olivet College in 1933. She was a homemaker and real estate agent.

Mrs. Watt enjoyed reading and sewing. She was a member of the Questers and Daughters of the British Empire.

She is survived by her son, Dr. A. Craig (Dr. Christine) Watt; and grandchildren Catriona and Ian Watt.

She was predeceased by her husband, Grant Watt.

A service was held at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms with inurnment of her ashes in the church's columbarium.

Memorial contributions may be made to Crossroads Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 4800 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202.

### George O. Young Jr.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident George O. Young Jr., 87, died peacefully in his home Thursday, Jan. 3, 2008.

A lifelong Grosse Pointer, Mr. Young was born June 26, 1920, at St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit. The only child of George O. Sr. and Teresa (Drawe) Young, he grew up trying to terrorize his Somerset neighborhood with assorted pranks and practical jokes — a personality characteristic he

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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Fugitive arrest

A 56-year-old Detroit man was arrested following a traffic stop on Waterloo at 5:23 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Police stopped the vehicle for making an improper turn. A Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) check of the man, who was a passenger in the vehicle, revealed he was wanted on a Wayne County warrant. He was held for pickup.

### Coffee rage

Police arrested a 45-year-old Detroit man, who was yelling at customers and earlier was accused of assaulting a person in line at a business in the 17000 block of Kercheval at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Police were alerted to the man who was being abusive to the store's customers. A LEIN check revealed he was wanted on a Wayne County warrant. He was held for pickup. A customer later reported that he had been punched by the man while standing in line at the business.

### Armed robbery

Police are investigating an alleged armed robbery of a business in the 17000 block of Mack reported at 5:47 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29.

Police said a man entered the business and pointed what the clerk said was a gun, and demanded cash from the register. When the register was opened, he grabbed the cash drawer and fled. The suspect is described as a black male, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighing 180 pounds. He made off with \$650.

### Crack down

A 24-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms man was arrested for crack cocaine possession at 3 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29.

Police stopped the man, while he was walking near Mack and Lincoln, because he fit the description of a person wanted for recent larcenies from area vehicles. Police discovered the suspected crack and other drug paraphernalia after searching him.

— 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

### Fugitive arrest

A 31-year-old Detroit man was arrested following a traffic stop in an alley behind Mack at

9:58 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 5.

Police stopped the vehicle after a Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) check of its license plate revealed the owner was wanted on several warrants. He was held for pickup and his vehicle was impounded.

### Vandals caught

Police detained three 13-year-old Grosse Pointe males for vandalism to Christmas displays in the 300 and 400 blocks of Calvin at 3 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 5.

Police caught the youths as they were attempting to pull down Christmas lights from a house. They were also accused of deflating lawn displays at another house.

### Credit cards stolen

Police are investigating the theft of several credit cards from a purse in a business on Kercheval reported at 2:25 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4.

Police said the suspect entered a rear office of the business and fled after being confronted by a store employee. The credit cards were discovered missing after the suspect left.

### Warrant arrest

Police arrested a 36-year-old Detroit woman following a traffic stop on Moross at 8:26 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Police stopped the vehicle after a LEIN check of its license plate revealed the owner was wanted on warrants out of Warren. She was held for pickup. Her vehicle was released to a licensed passenger.

### Drunken driving

A 47-year-old Detroit man was arrested for drunken driving following a traffic stop on East Warren at 1:34 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Police stopped the vehicle for having an expired license plate and swerving on the road. When questioning the driver, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. The man registered a .21 on a breath test and his vehicle was impounded.

### Asleep at the wheel

Police arrested a 24-year old Detroit man for drunken driving after he was found asleep at the wheel while parked on Lakeshore at 1:58 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1.

When questioning the man, police detected a strong odor of intoxicants coming from his facial area. He registered a .18 on a breath test and his vehicle was impounded.

— 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

### Christmas fire

At 10:46 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25, all public safety department apparatus responded to a call about a kitchen fire in the 900 block of Nottingham. Firefighters found an oven fire which they extinguished with dry chemicals and cleared the smoke with fans.

### Afternoon invasion

Sometime between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, a home in the 1400 block of Beaconsfield was illegally entered through a rear door. Police are investigating the theft of a 13-inch LED TV, a Gateway laptop computer, two men's college rings, an MP3 player and \$200.

### Anniversaries

Congratulations to Public Safety Officer Keith Anderson, who celebrated his 11th anniversary with the public safety department on New Years Day, Jan. 1.

Congratulations to David Hiller, chief of police, who celebrated 36 years with the department Jan. 3.

— 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

### Warrant arrest

A 71-year-old St. Clair Shores man was arrested following a traffic stop on Lakeshore at 9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Police stopped the vehicle for having defective equipment. A Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) check of the driver revealed he was wanted on a Grosse Pointe Woods warrant. He was held for pickup.

— 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

### Coincidence?

A car belonging to a local high school employee was egged on Sunday, Dec. 30, at 10:50 p.m., while parked in front of the employee's home on S. Oxford.

The employee's son witnessed the event, took down the license plate of the car involved and followed the green Taurus wagon to a house on Sunningdale.

Police were called and questioned the occupants of the Taurus, three teens, ages 14, 15, and 16. They maintain an occupant of the car, who they had already dropped off, was respon-

sible for the egging.

On Saturday, Jan. 5, a resident on Aline, also employed at the same high school, was awakened at 11 p.m. by the sound of breaking glass.

The homeowner found the glass in his front door had been shattered by eggs.

Police continue to investigate both incidents and have not ruled out a connection.

### Cell phone traced

Two frantic calls at 5:30 a.m. on New Year's Day from a cell phone were traced by police to a home on Raymond after the caller, screaming for help, refused to give an address.

When police arrived, they found four females in the house, a broken side door window, and no one willing to talk. The women, ranging in age from 14 to 32, would not say who made the call. One woman had cuts and scratches on her cheek. Police gave the women a victim right's form.

### Shoe in

Police pulled over a 1994 Ford for running a red light at Harper and Allard at 2:52 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 30.

A routine check revealed the driver was wanted on two outstanding Detroit warrants. While being transported to the station, the 19-year-old admitted to police that he had a bag of marijuana stuffed in his shoe.

He was arrested for possession of an illegal substance.

— Kathy Ryan

Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Woods police department at (313) 343-2400.

## OBITUARIES: Loved ones remembered

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kept all his life. He seemed particularly scary to a young neighbor named Nancy Stocking, though eventually they fell in love and were happily married for 60 years.

Mr. Young was in the first class that attended St. Clare of Montefalco Elementary School from first through eighth grade. After graduating in 1938 from DeLaSalle High School, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Detroit in 1942.

Following his graduation from college, Mr. Young was preparing to serve his country during World War II; instead, he was "drafted" to work as a research engineer at U.S. Rubber, which later became Uniroyal, to help develop aircraft tires for the war effort. Mr. Young spent his entire career at U.S. Rubber/Uniroyal, from 1942 to 1983, and was part of the team that developed the company's first generation of steel-belted radial tires.

Mr. Young was an avid sailor. He began sailing out of the Detroit Yacht Club at age 12 and was still sailing on Lake St. Clair 75 years later during the summer of 2007. He served as commodore of the Grosse Pointe Woods Boat Club in 1962, and passed his love of sailing to his children and grandchildren.

In retirement, love of the water took the Youngs to some of the most exciting locations around the world. Vacation travels in recent years included trips to the Galapagos Islands, New Zealand, Machu Picchu, the fjords of Scandinavia, Fiji, Easter Island, Cape Horn and

the Falkland Islands.

Mr. Young also was a history lover. He kept archives of events primarily pertaining to the Grosse Pointes and Great Lakes shipping. Among the mementos he collected was a light bulb he received personally from Thomas Edison.

His family wrote that to friends, and especially neighbors on Hawthorne, where the Youngs lived for more than 50 years, Mr. Young will always be remembered as "Mr. Fixit." His basement workshop was filled with tools as well as a bottomless assortment of nuts, bolts, screws, nails, spare parts, salvaged fittings, unidentifiable thingamajigs and any other devices needed to fix a problem. And, he almost always succeeded. "Either we'll fix it, or we'll fix it so it never works again," he often said.

Mr. Young's personality could be described as both kind and curmudgeonly with a vocabulary that was at times both eloquent and salty. Most of all, he will be remembered fondly and lovingly by the many people whose lives he touched.

Mr. Young is survived by Nancy, his beloved wife of 60 years; daughter Terri (Robert) Berschback; son George O. "Buzz" (Sheila Tomkowiak) Young III; grandchildren Chelsea (Ted) Groustra, Michael (Katherine Eugenio) Berschback, G. Oliver Young IV and Philip Thomas Young; and great-grandchildren Meghan, Eric, Charles and Isabel Groustra.

A memorial service was held Monday, Jan. 7, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207 or Hospices of Henry Ford, 1 Ford Place, 5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

Memories may be shared at verheyden.org.

## Raising successful children

### ASK THE LEARNING ADVISOR

By The Parent Institute

**Q.** My son came home with bad grades on his report card. We are still reeling from this. Grounding him and taking away privileges didn't help him bring up his grades. What should we do differently?

— E.B. via e-mail

**A.** A bad report card can devastate children and parents alike. It is also a message that it's time to take action. Children need hope they can be successful in school in the future.

The best way to instill hope is to help your son plan for success. When your son can picture himself being successful and when he has concrete steps for improvement, he will be more likely to succeed.

To help your son turn poor grades around:

◆ Treat a bad report card as a sign of a problem that can be fixed.

◆ Focus on the positive. Find something on his report card that your son can feel good about and that you truly care

about his accomplishments.

◆ Try to better understand why a grade is low. Was the work too difficult? Did your son not complete homework? Did he do poorly on tests?

◆ Brainstorm solutions. Your son's answers to your questions will likely indicate steps to take. Be sure to talk with his teachers to get their views on needed improvements and how you and the school can help.

◆ Recognize successes.

Praise your son when he makes improvements.

◆ Make sure your son knows he's loved and accepted regardless of his grades. Note that grades are not an evaluation of him as a good or bad person.

**Q.** My son has always struggled when it comes to math. How can I help?

— S.K. via e-mail

**A.** One of the best ways to help with learning is to connect lessons to real life. Use an everyday shopping trip to the grocery store to link math skills to daily life.

◆ Before a shopping trip, talk with your son about how to compare prices. Explain that you will need a common measurement to use, such as ounces or inches.

◆ Make a shopping list and

decide to find the best value for several items. Bring a pencil and paper to the store.

◆ Find the first item and notice how it is measured. For example, juice is usually measured in ounces. One jug might cost \$3.89 for 64 ounces, while another might cost \$1.98 for 32 ounces. Ask which is the better buy?

◆ Help your son solve the problem like this: Divide the cost by the number of ounces. The brand with the smallest answer is a better deal. (In this example, it's the 64-ounce jug.)

◆ Can your son find the better value for other things on your list?

◆ Give your son some new challenges once he has the hang of it. Can he compare prices using metric measurements?

◆ Can your son compare items that are priced differently, such as apples that are \$2 a pound and oranges that are six for 99 cents?

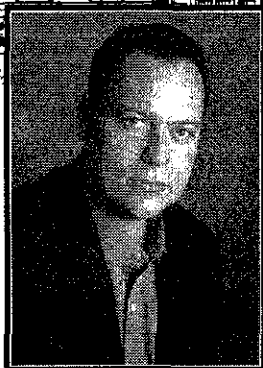
◆ Have your son practice by using store ads and factoring in the worth of coupons.

◆ Graph prices over time. Are certain brands always less expensive? When prices change, can he guess why?

For more information, go to [advisor.parent-institute.com](http://advisor.parent-institute.com).



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that nominating petitions for School Board Trustee for the School District of the City of Harper Woods will be available in the Harper Woods City Clerk's Office, Monday thru Friday, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. until February 13, 2008. Nominating petitions may be taken out on February 13, 2008, however, all nominating petitions must be filed in the City Clerk's Office, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, Michigan, by 4:00 P.M. that day.

Any registered voter that resides in the School District of the City of Harper Woods is eligible to be nominated for School Board Trustee for the School District of the City of Harper Woods.

The purpose of taking nominating petitions for the May 6, 2008 Election is to nominate qualified registered voters to the following: (2) four year term as School Board Trustee expiring June 30, 2012.

Persons with questions regarding the nominating process should call the City Clerk's Office at 313-343-2510.

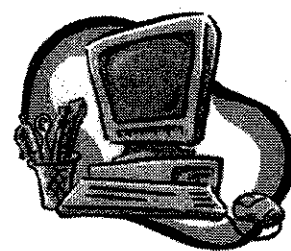
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# PEOPLE



**WENDY G. KEYS** has joined Charter One as a senior vice president and group manager in the middle market banking division.

She was previously a senior vice president and manager at LaSalle Bank. She is a trustee for both the Downtown Detroit Partnership and the Boil Family YMCA in Detroit.

She also is the current chairman of the board at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Keys lives with her husband, Howard, and son, David, in Grosse Pointe Park.

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**AMOS WILLIAMS**, an attorney with the Law Offices of Amos E. Williams, was recently recognized as one of Michigan Lawyers Weekly's "Lawyers of the Year" for 2007.

Nominated by his peers, colleagues, associates or the editorial staff of Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Williams is one of 12 attorneys honored with this distinction from nearly 40,000 practitioners in Michigan.

Lawyers of the Year are chosen based on their achievements throughout the past year, including winning important cases; involving themselves in matters raising challenging issues within the profession or community; and furthering the profession's commitment to the rule of law and concept of justice.

An editorial panel from Michigan Lawyers Weekly makes the final selection for the attorneys honored with this distinction.

Williams made a name for

## DETROIT

# Dog day care hosts event

Canine to Five is hosting Therapy Dogs International, Inc., a volunteer organization that regulates, tests and the registers therapy dogs and their handlers, at 1 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 20.

The primary objective of the TDI dog and handler is to provide comfort and companionship by sharing the dog with patients in hospitals, nursing homes, other institutions and wherever else the therapy dog is needed.

Therapy dog applicants will be tested on basic obedience skills, general appearance and reaction to strangers and distractions.

To register for therapy dog training, call Canine to Five at (313) 831-dogs (3647). For more information visit [detroit-dogdaycare.com](http://detroit-dogdaycare.com).

Canine to Five, located at 3443 Cass Avenue, just south of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, is owned by Grosse Pointer Liz Blondy.

# (Habeas) Chorus performs

Parcells Middle School is hosting A (Habeas) Chorus Line at 7 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26, in the school's auditorium.

Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds benefit the Maire Elementary School PTO. They are available at Madilu & Ethan Too, Cavanaugh's, Something Special and The Pointe Pedlar, or by calling (313) 640-4137.

# Business group slates meeting

The next East Side Business and Financial Forum is scheduled for 7:30 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The topic is "The Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust — what you must know," led by Tom Keating.

"Imagine that you could instantly double the value of a financial product. Further imagine that you could do so while at the same time making detailed instructions about exactly when, how and by whom the financial benefits could be used," said Keating. "Skilled

business and financial professionals know that just such a technique exists in planning using the Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust, or "ILITs," as they are commonly known. While ILIT based planning is an important tool for planning, and may in fact become even more important absent major changes in the tax law, it is a technique which requires a clear understanding of applicable rules."

Some of the questions any professional dealing with life insurance should be able to answer are:

◆ Why have a life insurance trust at all? Who needs one?

◆ Why is an ILIT frequently called a "gift with strings attached?"

◆ Who is Clifford Crummey and why did he change the way planning is done?

◆ Why should I always try to buy new insurance, when I want to double policy value with ILIT planning?

◆ What is an "incidence of ownership," and why don't I want one?

◆ Why can signing an insurance application cause a problem for a client?

◆ Is it OK to have just anybody as a trustee on a life insurance trust?

◆ What's a "5&5" and why should I care?

◆ If it's irrevocable, does that mean it can't be changed?

◆ What is a transfer for value, and how valuable is it?

To attend, contact Robin Fichera at [rfichera@ameritech.net](mailto:rfichera@ameritech.net) or call (586) 498-8400, ext. 12.

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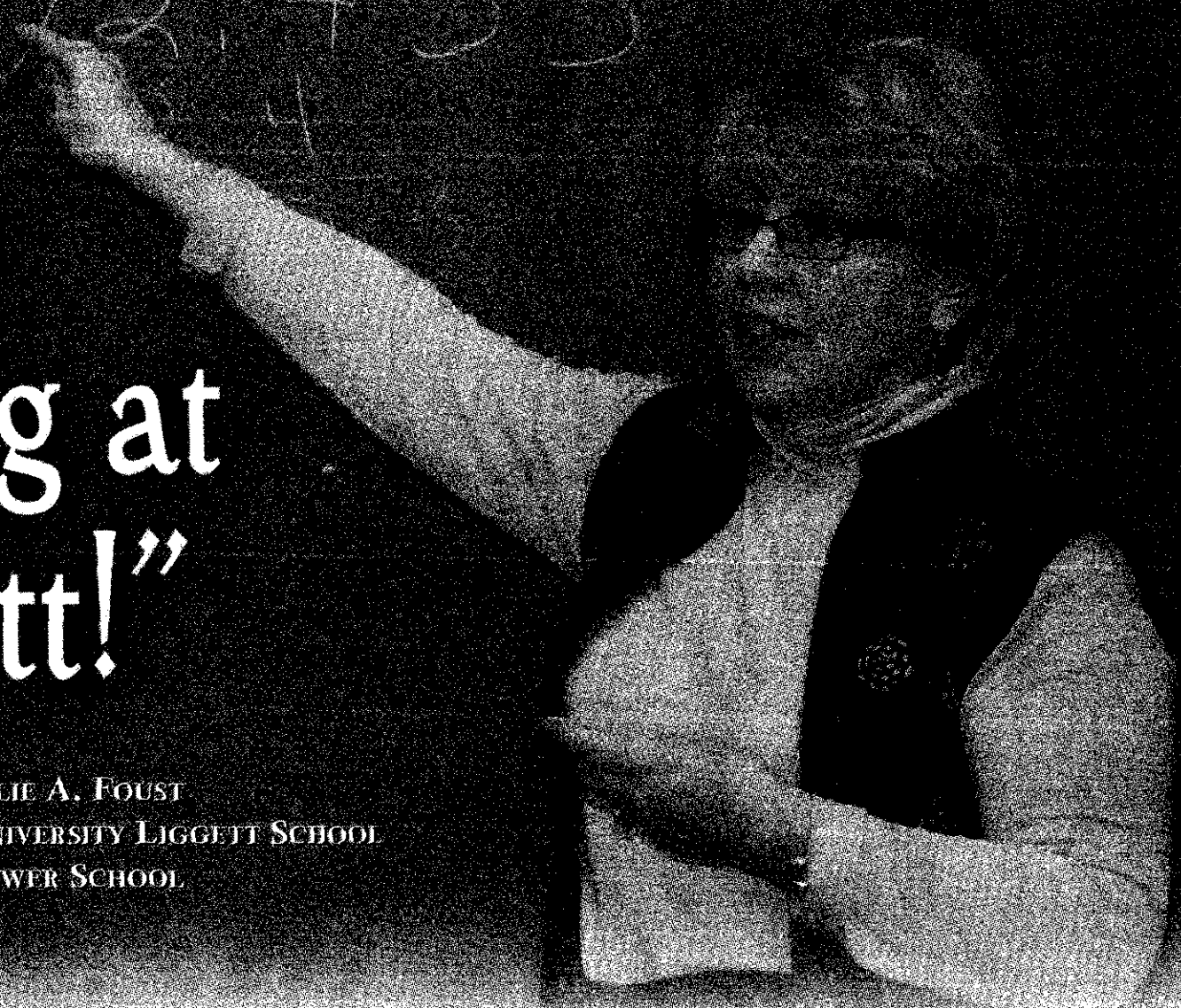
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## **I love teaching in a school where creativity and academics are part of every day.**

My success as a teacher has been nurtured by the freedom to enrich the program with my own ideas. From the very beginning, I was encouraged to try new activities, to incorporate resources from the wider community, and to stretch the students while continuing to maintain the strong academic foundation for which Liggett has long been known.

## **I love the curriculum and the opportunity to kindle new knowledge.**

At Liggett, teachers utilize their individual strengths and a variety of teaching styles. I have always loved learning by doing. Fifth-grade studies – organized around American history – allow for enrichment and interdisciplinary study. During Voyageur Days, literature, history, vocabulary, art, music, geography, writing, technology, science, nature and recreation are all part of the learning experience. I delight in being an enthusiastic facilitator for the Oregon Trail simulation each spring.

## **I love seeing my students reach new levels of understanding.**

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- Julie A. Foust  
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**Terry Michaelis** is a vintage Corvette dealer and the ProTeam Classic Corvette Collection and Sales owner; thus he will only buy cars with a history that shines.

## A 'Vette generation

By Jenny King  
Special Writer

Terry Michaelis, vintage Corvette dealer and the ProTeam Classic Corvette Collection and Sales owner, started his search for a triumvirate of first-generation Corvettes in early 2006.

Eighteen months later, three 1954 Corvettes — a red one, a white one and a blue one — were sold as the Star Spangled Collection for \$353,700 at the 2007 Labor Day weekend Kruse International Auction in Auburn, Ind.

"The red '54 was the most difficult to find as it is the most rare: only 100 were built," said Michaelis.

While white '54 models were produced in greater numbers, Michaelis said Chevrolet assembled just 300 blue ones.

"I found the red one in a Chicago-area collection with the help of former Chevy dealer Jack Douglas," said Michaelis. "The blue one came from British Columbia."

Michaelis, who has been selling early Corvettes (1953 to 1972) since 1971, said he will only buy what he would own.



Terry Michaelis

Cars must have good histories. In the case of the red, white and blue '54s, he wanted only Corvettes that had been accepted and judged at high-level collector events.

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## CLUB ACTIVITIES

## Merry Go Rounders

The Merry Go Rounders Dance Club will hold a "Snowflake Ball" black tie dinner dance at a private club on Saturday, Jan. 19.

Cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. The Ray Battani Band will perform from 9 p.m. to midnight.

For more information, call Marcia Pikielek at (313) 884-4201. Reservations must be made by Sunday, Jan. 13.

## Questers tea

A tea will be held from noon to 2 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 20, at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms to recognize those who have made donations to the Grosse Pointe area Questers over the past 15 years.

Reservations must be in by Jan. 10 by calling (313) 884-7010.

## Garden center

The annual meeting of the Grosse Pointe Garden Center is at noon on Friday, Jan. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial reception room.

Lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 1 p.m. At 1:30 p.m., Mike Sackey will talk on "Reinventing the Ordinary," covering his experience in how to use ordinary items found in the home to make centerpieces and table scapes.

Sackey is senior designer for the Display Group of Detroit and was awarded the "Designer of the Year" for 1988 and 1989. He is an army veteran, painter and amateur musician.

The luncheon and lecture costs \$22 for members, \$24 for guests and \$5 for the lec-

ture only. Reservations must be in by Jan. 10.

Make checks payable to Grosse Pointe Garden Center, Inc. and mail to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. For more information, call (313) 881-7511, ext. 206.

## Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe meets at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at a private club in Grosse Pointe.

Karen Eschebach is the guest speaker. Her topic is "What a Mess. The Art of Declutterization." Learn to become more organized and declutter the home office. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

The Women's Connection is a women's networking and support organization dedicated to the enrichment and empowerment of women in their business and personal lives.

For more information, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855. Reservations must be made by Monday, Jan. 21.

## Grand Marais

The Grand Marais Questers No. 215 meet at 9:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 11, with hostess Jean Doelle, at 91 Grosse Pointe Blvd. The speaker is Peggy Woodhouse and her topic is "Wallpaper Through the Ages."

Call regrets only to Jean at (313) 882-8893.

## Pointer Bridge Club

The Pointer Bridge Club holds its luncheon for members at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Alger House, Grosse Pointe Farms.

To make a reservation or to cancel, call (313) 886-7595 or (313) 881-8566. Reservations must be made by Saturday, Jan. 12.

## Toastmasters Club

The Toastmasters Club No. 573 meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, in the Brownell Middle School cafeteria, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The topics are on improving workplace visibility, gaining recognition, promoting and improving presentations skills and conquering public speaking fears.

## Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The guest speaker is Joel Stone, curator of the Detroit Historical Society, which oversees the Detroit Historical Museum, The Dossin Great Lakes Museum, and the city of Detroit's artifact collection.

To make reservations, call Janice McManus at (313) 886-9098.

Reservations must be made by Saturday, Jan. 12.

The Grosse Pointe Women's

Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month for lunch at 12:30 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial from September through May.

For more information, call Pam Zimmer at (313) 882-9087 or Marilyn Richardson at (313) 884-4056.

The non-profit social and community service organization raises funds to award scholarships to two Grosse Pointe public school seniors each year and also supports several Detroit area charities.

## Grosse Pointe Questers

The Grosse Pointe Questers meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 11. The guest speaker is Judy Mathews, who will present a program on Malcolm Moran.

Co-hostesses are Ann Hoag and Mary Steiner.

## Pre-Lenten concert

Our Lady Star of the Sea hosts a 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, concert in the church and continues with a 4 to 6 p.m. retreat Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 4 through 6, with singer and Catholic evangelist Katrina Rae and her husband, John Daughenbaugh, of Mizpah Ministries.

The event concludes on Ash Wednesday with a passion walk and meditation followed by the distribution of ashes.

Rae is a 20 time recipient of the United Catholic Music and Video Association's Unity Award.

Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 884-5554 or visit olos.org.

CORVETTE:  
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Bloomington, Ind. Corvette event for judging; the white convertible has the National Corvette Restorers Society Top Flight certification, said Michaelis.

The dealer said the Star Spangled Collection was purchased by a Michigan resident.

"Procurement of good vehicles is the hard part," said Michaelis. "When I sell a car, I ask for right of first refusal if the new owner decides to sell it in the future."

Michaelis's main ProTeam dealership is in Napoleon, Ohio.

Fifteen months ago he opened a second facility just west of the Kruse International auction offices and sales buildings in Auburn.

Napoleon is barely a dot on the map of north central Ohio. And the Auburn dealership is

actually several miles south of the town of Auburn. Except for auction season, there's not much traffic at the latter address.

Drive-bys are not what Michaelis is looking for.

"At the Auburn location with its Kruse drawing power, my goal was to sell one car a month," he said.

"I'd say it already is responsible for more than 50 sales a year."

Both dealerships offer and encourage test drives. Michaelis said they are not "static," like museum displays. "I like to see cars moving," he said.

The dealer said 35 years ago he used to purchase registration information from R.L. Polk to learn about his customers.

Today he has a \$500,000 annual advertising budget that includes expensive space purchases such as ads in airline magazines.

"For branding (the ProTeam name), the airline books were a huge success," he said. "If we cut our ad dollars, we would certainly notice it in sales. People are forgetful."

*"Nowhere in the world will you see anything like either store."*

— Terry Michaelis

Michaelis said 98 percent of ProTeam's current business is

Internet driven.

ProTeam has a combined inventory of 200 vintage Corvettes, he said. The business has owned 74 of the prized '53-'55 (first generation) models over the years.

"Nowhere in the world will you see anything like either store," said Michaelis.

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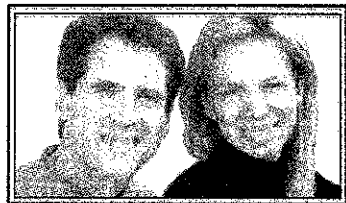
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HEALTH COLUMN By Jeff and Debra Jay

# Coping with slipping, sliding resolutions



**D**ear Jeff and Debra, My husband's drinking problem has been going on too long. Holidays are especially embarrassing and everyone in the family knows he has a problem.

This year, things got so bad over Thanksgiving and Christmas that he promised to quit drinking even before New Year's came around. And he really meant it!

Well, his resolution didn't last. He didn't drink on New Year's Eve, it's true, but he's been slipping and sliding. I know he'll be full-blown again

by the time the Super Bowl rolls around. What should I do? He's a good man, but I'm tired of his broken promises.

WEARY WIFE

Dear Weary,

It's time for a new game plan. Your husband may have been sincere in his desire to quit, but he simply hasn't been able to do it. Alcoholics frequently have breaks in their denial system, realize they have a problem and resolve to do something about it. But usually it's not long before denial rears its head again and the alcoholic rationalizes that first drink.

Alcoholism has been recognized as a disease by the American Medical Association since 1955 and has very specific signs and symptoms. In your husband's case (although we can't formally diagnose

him as an alcoholic) what the disease is telling us is that he needs professional treatment. He is not able to quit on his own, despite sincere efforts, and is violating his own value system by breaking his promises. He needs help if he's going to succeed.

There are two approaches you can take. One would be to ask your husband to renew his promise and try again on his own. This is unlikely to work, of course, so also ask him to commit to treatment if his way doesn't work. That way, you prepare him for eventual treatment, while allowing him the chance to try again on his own. It's possible he'll succeed if he adds AA meetings to his resolution. He can find local AA meetings at aa-semi.org.

A second approach is a family intervention with the goal

of getting him to agree to meaningful treatment.

Many families think interventions are confrontational and recoil from the idea of conflict. But in practice, a good intervention is nothing more than a loving and well-organized conversation.

You've stated that the family knows your husband has a drinking problem. Now, we need to get them to work on a solution. A professional interventionist who will orchestrate the process, lead the intervention and take your husband to treatment can also be hired.

Regardless of whether you do the intervention on your own or work with a professional, the goal is to bring your husband to a moment of clarity where he will realize that a) he has an illness, b) he needs

professional help, and c) he needs to accept that help immediately. Planning and preparation are the keys to a successful intervention, so don't just do it off the cuff.

No one should be surprised that alcoholic's are reluctant to get treatment, even when the problem is very public. Alcoholics always promise themselves (and others) that things will get better and they will cut down or quit drinking. They blame family and job stress, but of course alcohol doesn't relieve stress. They may also blame depression or anxiety, but alcohol doesn't provide a solution for these problems either.

Many alcoholics will not get appropriate treatment until they are forced to by tragedy or loss. But a good, structured family intervention can bring

about a more compelling vision, that will cause the alcoholic to get help now.

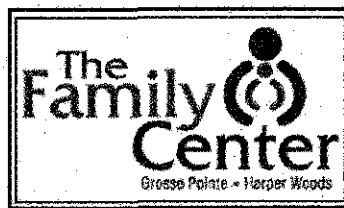
We have found that once love and concern in the family is well organized and directed and the power of the group is brought to bear on the problem, positive changes happen quickly.

Start talking with other family members now and decide what steps to take to address your husband's drinking. We can't put all the pressure on the weakest link in the chain (the alcoholic), we need to harness the love and concern of the family and put it into action to find a solution.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors or coauthors of the following books: *Love First, Aging and Addiction, No More Letting Go, and At Wit's End*. Contact them at [lovefirst.net](http://lovefirst.net).

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Ellen Brayton

## Family New Year's promises



**Q** Many parents have been asking for a program on healthy lifestyles, nutrition, tips on building good eating habits and getting their families active.

**A** In response to your suggestions, the staff at The Family Center has put together a program, actually a series of programs, with several pediatricians at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. Each program will be held in its new building on the third Wednesday of the month beginning in January.

The first program, on Jan. 16, is to cover all the aforementioned questions.

The title is "Healthy Lifestyles" and is presented by Dr. Karen Alton.

Because parents model much of what their children become it's important to set a good example for healthy living at home.

This one hour program, which includes a light dinner, lets parents discover easy ways to help their family with good eating habits and daily activity.

Alton is a graduate of George Washington University Medical School,

completed her internship and pediatric residency at the University of Michigan and is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

She will cover several topics such as: how to read a growth chart - what the percentiles actually mean; the importance of teaching lifestyle choices early on; how to make better meal choices for your family whether it's home cooking or take out; and discuss ways to prevent our children from becoming overweight later in life.

Alton is great at referring parents to the many resources that are available, whether it is books, pamphlets, or web sites.

As we were putting this program together, she told me about several Web sites which offer a great deal of information on this topic.

One of which is the Center for Disease Control Web site [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov).

This Web site has some ideas and tips for parents.

A few of the points Alton may also cover include:

Balance calories by helping kids stay active and develop healthy eating habits.

Learn ways to encourage healthy eating habits, reduce sedentary times, and get resources to making your favorite dishes healthier.

Learn how to measure a child and teen's body mass in-

dex.

Find resources to keep you on track.

Learn quick tips to serving healthy food they actual will eat.

Get answers to frequently asked questions about what causes us to be overweight — not just nutrition and exercise but also the behaviors and role of genetics.

The importance of setting a healthy lifestyle at a young age in order to remain healthy throughout life.

Learn what you can do for your children, as well as what you can do for yourself as a parent. The program runs from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 16, on the third floor of the Van Elslander Pavilion.

A light dinner will be served

so reservations are required as space is limited.

To register or to learn more, call (313) 432-3832.

Visit The Family Center's Web site to download a flyer.

The February program is on "Immunizations," March is "Soothing Your Baby" and April is "Child Temperaments."

The Family Center's annual appeal going on now. It is a local non-profit organization which depends on donations. To volunteer or contribute, visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) or call (313) 432-3832.

Send your questions to: [Info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:Info@familycenterweb.org) or write: Mary Ellen Brayton, LLC, NCC, The Family Center, 20090 Morningside Dr., Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236.



Chuck Gaidica and Catherine Lang

## Volunteer honored

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital volunteer and Auxiliary member Catherine Lang of Grosse Pointe Wood was one of 22 metropolitan Detroit hospital volunteers to receive recognition at the recent Thanks for Giving Celebration luncheon.

Thanks for Giving honorary chair and WDIV-TV personality Chuck Gaidica presented Lang with a certificate and a watch to commemorate her more than 13 years and 8,000 hours of volunteer service at

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital.

The mission of the annual Thanks for Giving celebration is to increase community awareness of volunteer accomplishments and opportunities in area health care facilities, and to recognize volunteers for their work and efforts on behalf of the hospitals where they serve.

## Healthy back walk

A free "Walk (or run) Your Way to Back (and overall) Health!" seminar is scheduled from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at the Van Elslander Cancer Center third floor conference room, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Good back health can lead to improved overall health. A simple walking or running program can significantly decrease the chance of back pain or help with existing pain.

Daniel Elskens, St. John Hospital and Medical Center neurosurgeon, has lost more than 50 pounds in the last year with limited diet changes and a consistent running program.

Elskens will share secrets of how to stay motivated and use proper form when walking/running to avoid aches and pains. He'll also speak on the latest back and neck surgery techniques.

Mary Martin, RN, manager of the St. John Spine Center, will be on hand to share what services St. John Health offers with rehabilitation or diagnosis of back or neck pain.

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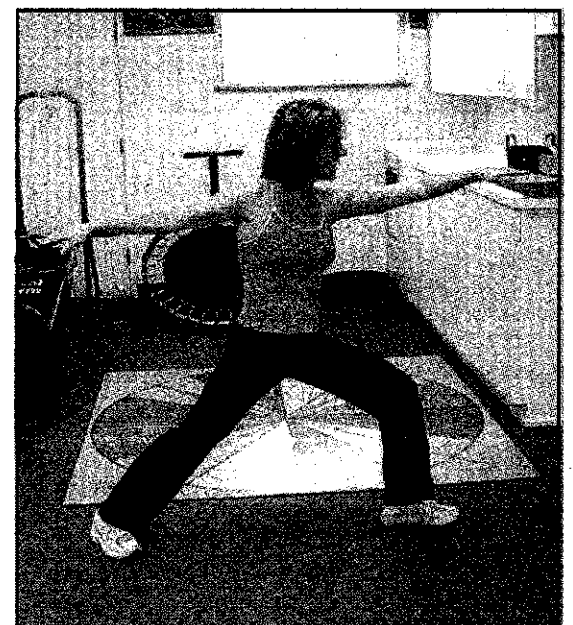
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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

# What will the new year hold for us?



Here we are at the start of another new year filled with hope.

This new year will bring some exciting events and trends. Hopefully some of them will be good, although the nature of our present world indicates that many won't be.

We'll have a new president for the first time in eight years. The resulting changes could presage reform of our health care system, Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid.

Maybe, finally, some important change in Iraq such as reconciliation will occur. Or maybe not. Either way there will be an important impact on the world, especially in our country.

Will house sales and prices go up or down and how will that affect us?

Of course, there's always the possibility that something wholly unexpected will happen that will change everything.

No matter what happens, it's sure that 2008 will kick off an era that will go down in the history books.

We live in exciting times. One good thing about this is we'll never be bored, and if it's hard times, that will bring out the best in us.

But enough of looking for-

ward let's look back 100 years and see how things were going in 1907. The facts I cite comes from U.S. statistics for the year 1907.

◆ The average life expectancy in the United States was 46 years.

◆ Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub and 6 percent had telephones.

◆ There were 6,000 cars in the U.S. and only 144 miles of paved roads.

◆ The maximum speed limit in most states was 10 mph.

◆ Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California. California had 1.4 million residents, making it the 21st most populous state in the Union. Las Vegas had a population of 30.

◆ Accumulated inflation during the 100 years makes much older statistics meaningless.

The following annual salaries provided interesting comparisons among professions.

◆ A competent accountant could earn \$2,000 a year; a dentist \$2,500 per year; a veterinarian, \$1,500 per year and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.

◆ Leading causes of death were pneumonia, influenza, tuberculosis, diarrhea, heart disease and stroke.

◆ Only about 6 percent of Americans graduated from high school and only 20 percent could read and write.

◆ Crossword puzzles did not exist nor had Mother's or Father's days.

◆ There were some 230 reported murders in the country.

◆ More than 95 percent of births took place at home.

◆ Most women washed their hair only once a month and used borax and egg yolks for shampoo.

It will be interesting how those living in 3007 will view our country.

One thing we can count on in 2008 is the weather; whether it's winter ice storms or loss of power. In all cases, preparation is the best defense. At all times have on hand adequate canned fruits and vegetables, canned tuna, salmon, chicken and sardines. And don't forget my favorite, peanut butter. Peanut butter and various kinds of crackers can provide delicious and nutritious meals.

Powdered milk means you can always eat cereal, as well as have nutritious and tasteful drinks with a breakfast mix and chocolate packets.

If you don't have a cell phone get one and keep it charged. It helps keep you in touch with family and to get help in an emergency.

Most clock and radio sets have an attached battery allowing you to keep up with the world and listen can be used to hear interesting programs and great music.

All prescription drugs can be refilled up to a week before expiration. You don't want to run out of these.

Prepare for the worst and you will prevail.

You can reach Cain at [ruthcain@comcast.net](mailto:ruthcain@comcast.net).

## Topic is divine, natural law

Point of Relevance hosts guest speaker William Wagner on Thursday, Jan. 17, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Seating begins at 6:30 p.m. and the lecture runs from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wagner's topic is "How One's World View Affects the Destiny of a Nation."

Wagner is president of Salt and Light Global and the International Center for Ethics, Rights and Responsibility. He holds a tenured law school professorship in ethics and constitutional law. He is a frequent speaker at world conferences and has published a number of articles, books and other publications.

In his presentation, Wagner provides the audience with the opportunity to view law, morality and truth through two different worldview lenses.

"The Objective Worldview

Lens: An Inviolable Standard Present in Divine/Natural Law, traditionally Reflected in American Law" comes from the perspective of one worldview, human laws reflect revealed divine or natural law and they may be just or unjust, depending on the clarity with which they reflect those objective standard. The Declaration of Independence, of course, reflects such a view: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, . . . that all men are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable right." The Creator makes truth and other moral absolutes evident to us: we do not create them.

"The Subjective Worldview Lens: Rejecting the Inviolable Standard for Secular Moral Relatives" is Wagner's second topic. He will explain how, contrary to the foundational worldview of our nation, the secular subjectivist worldview

cuts us off from the realm of an absolute reality. It has no place for God — or rather, it puts man in God's place. There is no objective truth; the human subject is the source of all rights and laws, all concepts of truth and justice. This view obviously does not compare human laws to absolute standards of truth or justice because each individual decides for him or herself what is true, good and just. Thus, the terms such as "truth" or "justice" merely represent subjective, relativistic viewpoints and not absolute standards.

The third point he will touch upon is "Implications for the American Republic."

In the past 30 years, secular moral relativism has pervasively spread to all aspects of American culture. This paradigm shift seeks to oust from the marketplace of ideas an policy discussion of anything grounded in the sacred. Wagner discusses the implications of rejecting God's objective "self Evident" truth for man's subjective morally relative worldview.

Wagner has served as a federal judge in the United States courts. He served as the chief American diplomat for the Department of Justice at the American Embassy in Liberia. There he led a diplomatic mission charged with strengthening democracy and the rule of law. Wagner received the post-doctoral Danforth Fellowship in Law after earning his J.D. For more information, visit [pointofrelevance.com](http://pointofrelevance.com).



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## Ushers club

The St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church Ushers Club of Grosse Pointe Farms held its annual membership meeting and Christmas party Dec. 12 at Bayview Yacht Club, Detroit. The event was attended by the membership and pastor Msgr. Patrick Halfpenny, Rev. John Wynnycky and Deacon Richard Shubik. The 2008 officers elected at this meeting are Folkert (Kurt) Schmidt, president; Paul Boehmer, treasurer; and Mark Surmont, secretary.

## Active adults offered classes

The Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults of St. Peter the Apostle in Harper Woods begins its winter programming by offering basic skills computer classes are offered in basic, intermediate and advanced programs in two four-hour classes.

The classes are to be held at 9 a.m. or 1 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Let's Google is a new class which will teach participants how to do safe searches.

Fitness classes include Tai Chi from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays; aerobics from 9 to 10 a.m. On Tuesdays and Thursdays; and stretch and tone from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays. A new Tai Chi class is offered from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

Marcia Relyea will be teaching a free four session class on health and fitness. Participants can attend as many as they wish.

The first session is exploring

the facts and fallacies of aging; the second is things that dull the brain and things that sharpen the brain. The third session is learning the difference between depression and the blues.

This is followed by learn why the words we use can determine our attitudes and beliefs about aging.

For more information and dates for any of the classes and others scheduled for February, call (313) 886-1770, ext. 228.

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## Poinsettias go home

The Garden Club of Grosse Pointe Shores donated poinsettia plants to Services for Older Citizens (SOC) to be given out to area homebound seniors for the holidays.

"The seniors were so grateful and many of them expressed their appreciation for a living plant. There is something wonderful about a live plant. The delicate flowers and green leaves bring a sense of the outdoors in and relays the true spirit of the holidays," said Sharon Maier, SOC's executive director. "We will continue to deliver the flowers and are sure that the plants will bring joy to each senior they touch."





DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

# Here are 2008 gardening resolutions



**G**ardeners are like everyone else when it comes to making lists of New Years resolutions. Here are some to consider for this new year:

◆ **Soil test.** Take soil samples from your yard and either mail or send them off by another means to Michigan State University Extension. Some local garden centers have kits on hand in the spring to help you through the process. Ready to read soil test kits are also available at local garden centers.

However you do it, just do it. This is especially important if you're having unusual problems with plants that should grow easily in our neck of the woods. Plants such as purple coneflower (*echinacea purpurea*), Joe-pye weed (*eupatorium maculatum*), or sedum are easy to grow in our area and your soil may be needing a little help.

◆ **Use what you have on hand.** If you are one of the lucky gardeners who received tools or other gardening necessities for Christmas, be sure to use them.

I received some great new tools and intend to use them as quickly as possible and to share the information gained. And I will try my darndest not to lose another pruner.

◆ **Keep a garden journal** to track successes and plants that fail to thrive in your yard. If you've had great luck doing something a little different, write it down. Whether it's in a spiral bound notebook or a beautiful store bought variety,

use the book to your best advantage.

My husband's parents track the daily weather along with their appointments on their calendar. It helps in recalling the unusual weather patterns we've experienced.

◆ **Review your tools** and replace what's broken. Sharpen dull pieces.

Think about what you might plant come warmer weather and add to your collection of plant pots.

I have a rain gauge that needs replacing and will keep my eyes open for the tube that best fits.

◆ **Save our natural resources.** After watching Al Gore's "An Inconvenient Truth," I'm curious about the amount of rain we will or won't get this season, as well as the weather pattern changes we continue to experience.

It will make a difference in the future of our trees and perennial garden plants.

The weather has already been weird for this time of year, with fog until 4 p.m. and half a foot of snow one week that melts by the next.

Keep your watering methods in mind and think about the plants you will purchase come spring.

◆ **Take time to kick back** with your favorite beverage and read some garden magazines. There's always something new to learn and the photos can be breathtaking.

Our local bookstores and libraries have good publications.

Consider taking an afternoon and visiting them. Either spend a few dollars or obtain a library card.

◆ **Think globally, eat locally.** Consider how and what type of food you will consume this summer. Will you eat with the



Go slowly, but learn something new about gardening and the environment in 2008.

seasons?

Foods in season now such as apples, pears, squash, sweet potatoes and onions may also be available come summer. But consider how far that fresh strawberry, grape or watermelon has traveled in January and February and whether it really tastes that good.

In summer, weigh the inexpensive berries, melons and tomatoes and make use of them. Visit local farmer's markets. Put up some of them for use in the winter months.

Learn more about sustainability or community supported agriculture.

◆ **Review the garden catalogs** and either dream or order. Think about growing something different this year but keep in mind our zone and the recent summer temperature changes and water requirements.

If you see something that tickles your fancy, ask a local garden center if they will have it or can order it.

◆ **Join a local gardening club** or organization. Many groups offer courses, lectures and a chance to talk to other gardeners about your specific interest.

◆ **Learn something new.** You can read a book, hear a lecture or take a course.

If all of this is overwhelming, take baby steps. There's always so much to learn and no one knows it all.

Happy New Year and good

luck with whatever resolution(s) you choose.

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## What's going on

◆ The Detroit Garden Center offers its winter gardening series in January/February. For more information, visit [detroitgardencenter.org](http://detroitgardencenter.org).

◆ Cranbrook and Horticulture Magazine offers "Patterns in Gardening" Saturday, Feb. 9, in Troy. For more information, call (877) GDN-PROG.

◆ Reinventing the Ordinary, presented by Mike Sackey, at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, is the subject of Grosse Pointe Garden Center's annual meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Sackey will cover his experience in using ordinary items to make beautiful centerpieces. Luncheon and lecture is \$22 for members, \$24 for guests and \$5 for the lecture only. Reservations must be made by Thursday, Jan. 10. For more information, call (313) 881-7511, ext. 206.

◆ Gardening for You and the Environment: Earth Friendly Gardening is the 17th Annual Winter Seminar Series for Gardeners from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays, Jan. 19, 26 and Feb. 2, at the Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, Detroit.

Presented by Janet Macunovich and Rick Lazell, the topics will be "Beginning Green: the organic approach to gardening," "Easy, Earth-friendly Designs: Rain Gardens, Natural Plantings and More," and "Plants in the News and New in Your Garden."

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## Local opera singer offers March workshop

An opera workshop for aspiring opera stars from the Detroit Metro area is being offered by the Michigan Opera Theatre's Department of Community Programs.

Directing the new workshop is local opera singer, teacher and lecturer Candace de Lattre.

Singers ages 18 and older will be considered for the workshop and exceptional high school singers will also be considered.

"Our new opera workshop is a sign of our growing Community Programs department," said Director of Community Programs Karen V. DiChiera.

"We are continually im-

pressed by the quality of young singers that make their start here at Michigan Opera Theatre."

The workshop will rehearse from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays beginning March 6 in the Chrysler Foundation Black Box Theater at the Detroit Opera House. The final performances will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1 and 5 p.m. Saturday, May 3.

Applicants are asked to send a resume and/or biography, a completed application form (available at [MichiganOpera.org](http://MichiganOpera.org)), a recent photograph and a video or sound recording in a standard format (VHS, DVD, CD or standard size cassette tape) of

the applicant singing two contrasting pieces of music in two different languages.

A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due with each application. Deposits will be refunded in the case of non-acceptance or cancellation of the workshop.

A participation fee of \$250 covers all costs associated with the workshop.

Completed application packets must be received no later than Feb. 10. Send to Candace de Lattre, Detroit Opera House Dept. of Community Programs, 1526 Broadway, Detroit, MI 48226.

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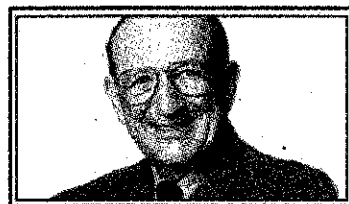
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STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Suczek

## Stratford struts adventurous program



While we look upon the theater above all as entertainment, the stage in general and the literature we call classic in particular can be a window on the issues that challenge our lives and tend to repeat themselves in the course of human history.

Often they are humorous, too often tragic and sometimes both.

The adventures on Stratford's 2008 program are very much in that spirit.

Such a show is the ancient Greek tragedy, "The Trojan Women" by Euripides. As its director, Marti Maraden views its theme of the repercussions of war and its impact, particularly on women and children, as remaining eternally relevant. Moreover she sees the

festival's women actors as particularly capable of delivering a powerfully moving performance. This will be its first appearance at Stratford and gives a clear signal of the new depth and scope of the festival's mission.

At the opposite end of the time spectrum, there will be world premieres at the Studio Theatre, an ideal venue for such ventures. One is set in Detroit. Who of us in Grosse Pointe can resist that? The title of this piece is "Palmer Park" and takes place in that elegant residential area of our city struggling to retain its dignity. Two young professional couples, one black and one white, undertake a kind of utopian experiment to draw their community together by spearheading a fundraising campaign for their integrated neighborhood school. As so often happens, the success of their efforts brings unexpected repercussions and tensions. We can expect plenty of suspense.

The second premiere is a stage version of "Moby Dick"

by Morris Panych, author of the hit play "The Overcoat." To condense this masterpiece to fit the span of a play in a truly intimate house, it relies heavily on movement to tell the story of Captain Ahab's obsessive pursuit of the great white whale. Background music is borrowed from the works of Claude Debussy and some background scenes are lifted verbatim from the book. The rest will depend on highly creative work by the cast, designers and choreographers. Again, it sounds like an excitingly innovative undertaking.

Abusive power and the rise of opposition to face it is the underlying theme of two more plays that will be new to us. "Fuente Ovejuna," (The Well of the Sheep), by Shakespeare's Spanish contemporary Lope de Vega, is actually a comedy with extensive use of music and song — and a grim situation.

The title is the name of a village tyrannized by a ruthless commander, who demands absolute submission from his

people, especially the women. Eventually their outrage gives rise to the courage to rebel. The consequences are bloody but the ironies result in many laughs, keeping the mood a sword's edge away from the horror of it all.

Laurence Boswell, who will direct it at the Tom Patterson Theatre, comes to Canada from a hugely successful series at London's Gate Theatre and a Spanish season for the Royal Shakespeare Company. He prepared the English version of this script for this production.

At the end of the season in November, there will be a rare opportunity to see a stunning update of an 18th century German classic in a similar vein.

Playwright Gottfried Ephraim Lessing created a story of an innocent beauty named "Emilia Galotti," also the name of the play, abducted by a prince, who murders her fiancée. The German production, acclaimed for its emotional impact and the stark

beauty of its visual pyrotechnics, is being brought intact and in German with projected English subtitles for a one week run.

"Even without the translations," says festival co-artistic director Don Shipley, "the play would still be accessible to an English speaking audience and the cast is phenomenal." On tour in many countries, it has achieved iconic status.

There is still more. A new script, entitled "Shakespeare's Universe: Her Infinite Variety," will be presented in a new venue, outdoors in the park. Its author, Peter Hinton, explains the piece incorporates song, dance, swordplay and other features of Elizabethan culture in the spontaneous manner of performance of that time.

Performances are scheduled at 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. from July to September with an optional box lunch available. It is still possible to attend a matinee or evening performance.

Two one-man performances

form a double bill at the Studio. "Krapp's Last Tape" by Samuel Becket and Eugene O'Neill's "Hughie" are both performed by Broadway veteran and two time Tony Award winner Brian Dennehy. The awards were for his Willy Loman in "Death of a Salesman" and James Tyrone in O'Neill's "Long Day's Journey into Night." His most recent appearance on Broadway was opposite Christopher Plummer in "Inherit The Wind."

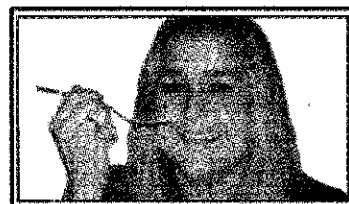
Returning to Shakespeare, Simon Callow has selected lines from the sonnets for a program that he also performs called "There Reigns Love." Another import to the festival, Callow is famous for his film roles in "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Shakespeare in Love."

One can not help concluding that '08 will be a season not to miss at Stratford.

Call 800-567-1600 or visit stratfordshakespearefestival.com for more information.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Turn leftovers into a warm winter breakfast



Warm up your family this winter with a hearty breakfast made with

last night's leftovers. Oven roasted fingerling potatoes were the initial inspiration for this take on potato hash. Lacking corned beef in the refrigerator, I reached for the prosciutto that was screaming to be cooked. A variety of onions were also plucked from my fridge. I hope the following recipe gives you a new idea for leftover potatoes.

## Winter Hash with Prosciutto and Mozzarella

3 tablespoons olive oil  
3 to 4 cups diced cooked potatoes, any variety  
1 to 1 1/2 cups chopped onion, any variety  
1/4 lb. sliced prosciutto, chopped  
1/3 cup water, wine or chicken broth  
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley  
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese  
salt and pepper to taste  
8 eggs  
1 package Knorr's hollandaise sauce mix (optional)

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add

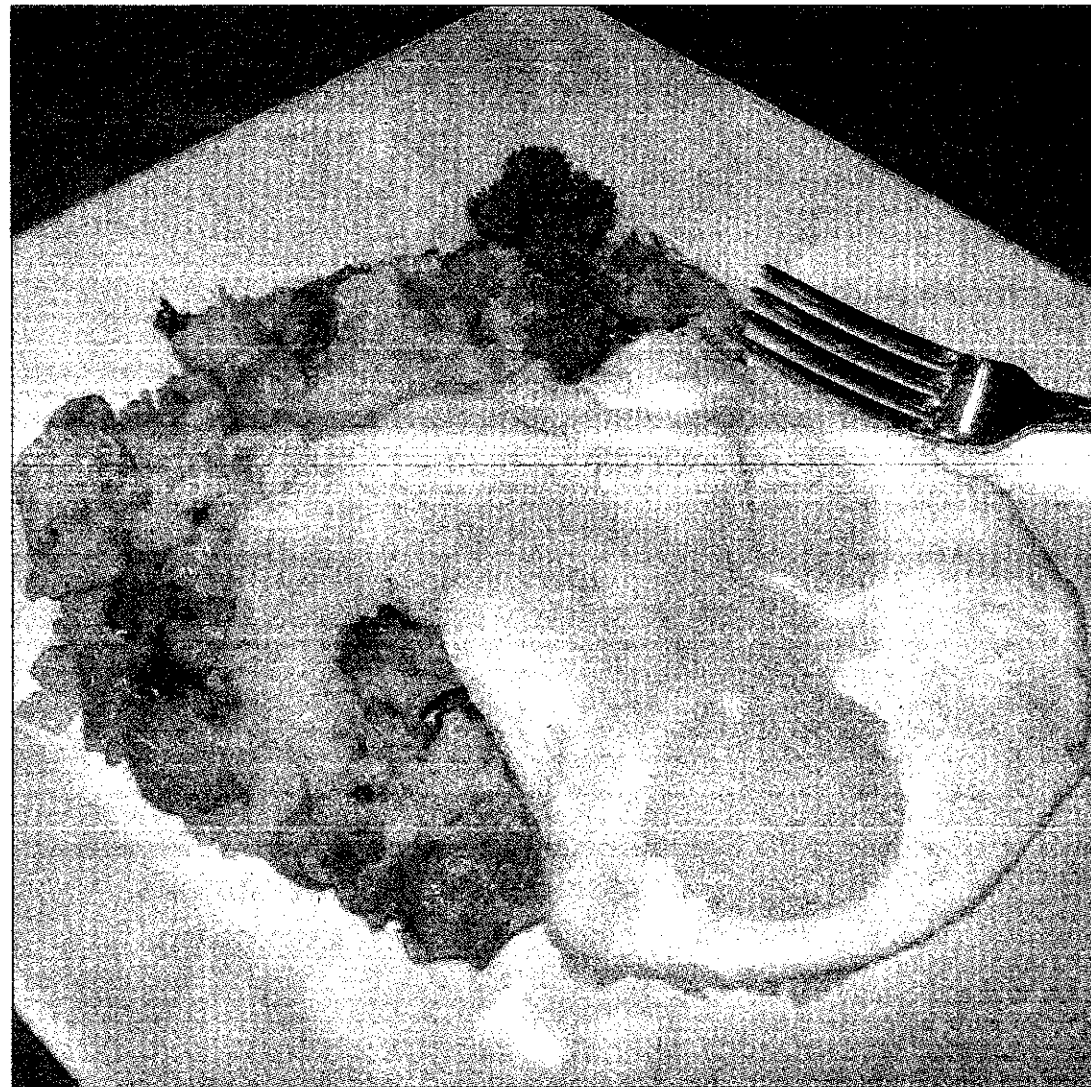


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Leftovers make a warm winter meal

the potatoes and the onions and cook and stir until the onions become soft and the potatoes are browning; about 12 to 15 minutes. Add the prosciutto and cook for another 5 minutes or so. Scrape the potato mixture to the side of the skillet and add 1/3 cup liquid to the skillet. This will loosen all of the tasty bits that

are stuck to the bottom of the skillet. (This technique is called de-glazing.) Lower the heat to medium-low and add parsley and shredded mozzarella. Stir

well.

Taste and season with salt and pepper.

Cover and hold over very low heat.

Meanwhile, heat another skillet over medium heat, add some butter and cook the eggs sunny side up or over easy.

Prepare the hollandaise sauce while the potatoes and onions are cooking. I use skim milk and cut the butter in half to keep the sauce on the light side.

Divide the hash over four plates and top each with two cooked eggs.

Ladle a tablespoon or two of the warm hollandaise sauce over the top and sprinkle with additional chopped fresh parsley.

Forget the toast. All you need is some fresh cut fruit to round out this tummy pleasing breakfast choice that started with leftover potatoes.

Substitute with whatever meat or cheese you may have on hand.

Fresh chives, basil or even

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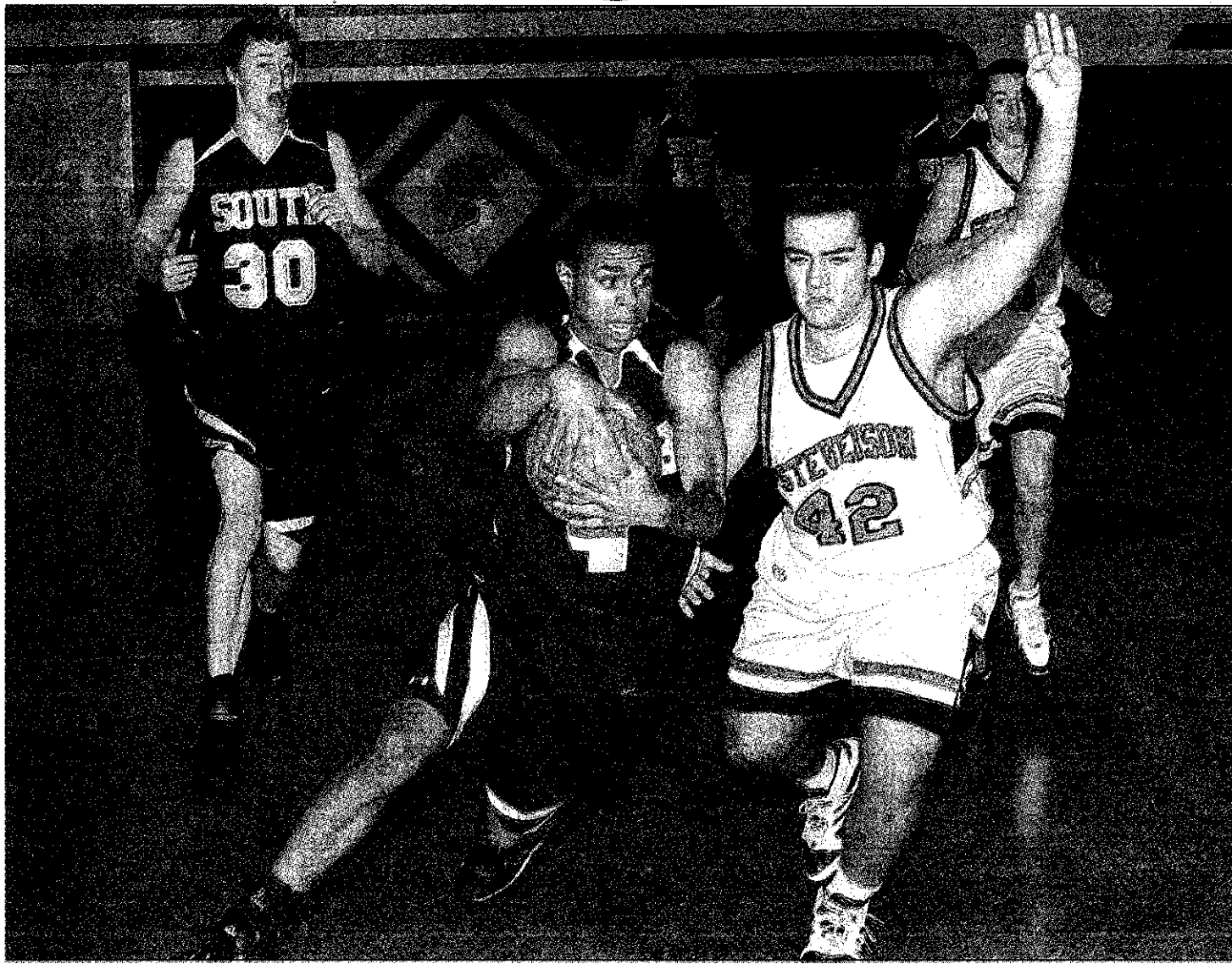
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### SOUTH BOYS BASKETBALL

# A winning start to new year



Grosse Pointe South's Jarvis Wise drives around a Stevenson player during the Blue Devils' 53-49 victory over the Titans last week. Trailing the play is Wise's teammate, Tim Quinn (30).

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

## Blue Devils get first victory in MAC White Division play

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

The scores were the same, but Grosse Pointe South's basketball team was a lot happier with its first game of 2008 than it was with the 2007 finale.

The Blue Devils bounced back from their 53-49 overtime loss to Port Huron with a 53-49 victory against Stevenson last week.

"We had control most of the game," South coach Jim Twigg said of the Macomb Area Conference White Division win against Stevenson. "It got close at the end when they hit some crazy threes, but I thought we played pretty well the whole game."

South led by seven points at halftime and the Blue Devils extended the margin to 10 points in the fourth quarter before John Irons drilled three 3-point baskets in the final minute.

"Jimmy (Saros) did a great job on Irons, who's Stevenson's big scorer," Twigg said. "He had 21 points but nine of those came in the last minute in desperation time."

Twigg said that the Blue Devils' overall defensive play

was solid.

"We struggled at times on offense, but then we started getting the ball inside to P.T. (Shirar)," Twigg said.

Saros led South with 16 points, Shirar finished with 13 points and nine rebounds and Jarvis Wise had 12 points and five assists.

Wise, the Blue Devils sophomore point guard, scored 10 points in the first half.

"He sparked us when we were struggling a little," Twigg said. "He's playing well. We're asking him to do more this year so he'll have his ups and downs as he progresses. Sometimes I have to remind myself that he's just a sophomore. But he's such a mature kid I sometimes think he's a senior."

Another sophomore, Leif Rodney, came off the bench to contribute seven points and five rebounds.

One of the things Twigg would like to see his team improve is its shooting.

"We're working a lot on that in practice," he said. "We're going to spend a lot of time during the offseason with the

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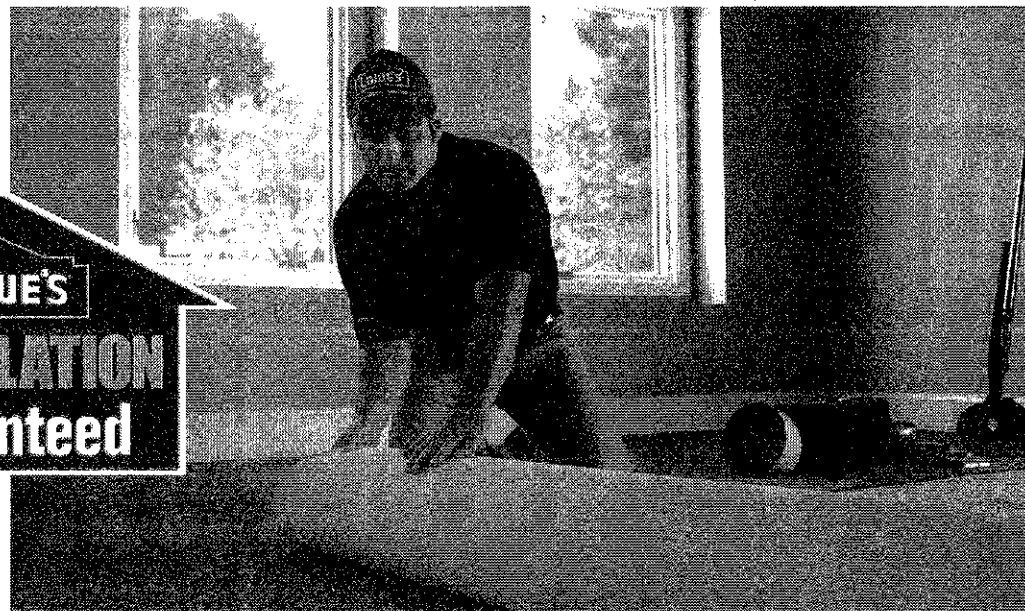
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# Blue Devils roll past Huron

By Chuck Klonke  
*Sports Editor*

Grosse Pointe South's hockey team started the new year like it ended the old — with a victory.

In their first game of 2008, the Blue Devils rolled to a 6-2 victory against Ann Arbor Huron. That came on the heels of South's second tournament championship of the season. The Blue Devils closed out 2007 with a 4-1 win against Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central in the title game of the Alpena Invitational.

"We're playing good hockey," said South coach Bob Bopp, who recorded his 250th victory at the helm of the Blue Devils. "I really like this team. We might not have as much talent as we did last year, but it's similar to last year's team in that they're all team players. All they're focused on is winning. They don't care about the individual statistics."

One of those players is Dan Gerow, who scored his first goal of the season to open the scoring against Huron.

Gerow has been a defenseman for his entire hockey ca-

reer, but because the Blue Devils have excellent depth on defense this year, Bopp moved Gerow to forward so that he could get more ice time.

"I've never had a harder worker than Dan," Bopp said. "He's very coachable. He has worked so hard to learn the new position. Every practice he tries to learn something else."

That hard work paid off last Saturday when Gerow skated into the slot area looking for a pass. He got it from Alex Marshall and put South ahead 1-0 at 6:05 of the first period. The third member of the line, Chris Shields, also assisted.

The Blue Devils dominated the first period, outshooting the River Rats 15-3, but had only a 1-0 lead to take into the first intermission.

"When you have a period like that and are only up by one goal, it's never good," Bopp said.

South continued to dominate the second period, and at the 4-minute mark, defenseman Arthur Griem drilled a shot that eluded the Huron netminder. Tim Shield and Lance Lucas assisted.

Just under two minutes later,

Huron cut the lead in half on a goal by Kevin O'Connor, but with four minutes left in the period, South's Nick Cinqueranelli scored, assisted by Jimmy Morris and Michael Blazoff.

"Nick ripped the shot, just like Arthur's," Bopp said.

A poor decision while trying to clear the puck during a penalty kill, set up another Huron goal by William Ford.

"We needed to shoot the puck more and shoot it harder," Bopp said.

"We seemed to be trying to get in too close. Lots of times we didn't get the shot off or when we did get it off, we needed to take more time and get better shots. The way we dominated the game, we shouldn't have been in a 3-2 game."

It didn't take the Blue Devils long to pad their lead.

Jack Sklarski gave South a two-goal cushion 18 seconds into the third period, assisted by Lucas and Shield. At 5:17, Sam Mott's scored on a shot from the point on the power play to make it 5-2. Griem and Lucas assisted on the shot that deflected off a Huron defense-

man.

South closed out the scoring at 7:14 on a goal by Shield, assisted by Miles Knight and Cinqueranelli. Brett Johnson turned away 12 shots to record the victory.

In the Alpena tournament, the Blue Devils were a little surprised that the championship game wasn't a rematch of last year's Division II state semifinal that South won 5-0.

Forest Hills Central jumped ahead with a goal at 2:28 of the first period, but the Rangers' lead was short-lived. Sklarski tied the game at 3:50 on a power-play goal, assisted by Shield and Lucas.

Sklarski also played a key role in Shield's winning goal at 4:37 of the second period. Sklarski did a nice job of forechecking to get the puck. He passed to Shield, who fired a shot just under the crossbar to give the Blue Devils a 2-1 lead.

South added two goals in the third period. Lucas beat an FHC defenseman to a puck that the Blue Devils dumped into their offensive zone and made a quick pass to Sklarski in the slot, and he scored his

second goal of the game at 5:01.

Some nice passing between Shield, Sklarski and Lucas resulted in South's final goal by Lucas at 8:17.

Trevor Sattelmeyer made 15 saves in goal for South, which played without two of its senior defensemen, Griem and Chris Stephens, who were ill.

"Griem has been outstanding for two years, and Stephens is playing some solid defense this season," Bopp said.

"He has good size and he's a good skater. With them out, Nick Monforton and Billy Daudlin got more minutes and they did a good job."

Shield and Sklarski were selected as two of the three stars of the game.

South opened the tournament with a 5-1 victory against East Kentwood.

The Blue Devils had the Falcons running around in circles in the first period.

"We played really well in the first period," Bopp said.

"We were quick and because of our forechecking, they must have iced the puck a dozen times."

At 2:55 of the first period, Lucas scored the first of his three goals. Shield and Blazoff assisted. Lucas made it 2-0 at 6:33 with Brandon Brundige assisting. Brian Auty increased South's lead to 3-0 at 11:49, assisted by Morris.

Lucas completed his hat trick at 1:16 of the third period with a power-play goal, assisted by Sklarski and Brundige.

Then a parade to the penalty box began. East Kentwood spoiled Johnson's shutout bid with a goal at 6:22 of the second period.

Shields scored the only goal of the third period, assisted by Blazoff and Kelly O'Donnell-Daudlin, at 6:46.

"Even though we were clearly the better team, Brett Johnson played well in goal," Bopp said. "He made about five great saves."

South swept the three-star selection with Lucas, Morris and Brundige.

The Blue Devils have a tough week ahead with games against De La Salle on Wednesday, and at Divine Child on Saturday at 4 p.m. at the University of Michigan-Dearborn arena.

# Bulldogs defeat Blue Devils girls

By Chuck Klonke  
*Sports Editor*

It wasn't the way Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team wanted to come off the Christmas break.

Instead of stretching their winning streak to three games with a victory against Macomb Area Conference White Division contender Romeo, the Blue Devils dropped a 53-31 decision to the Bulldogs.

"The most disappointing thing is, I didn't think that Romeo played its best game, either," said South coach Kevin Richards. "Their big girl (Caren Rydquist) picked up her fourth foul early in the second half and she eventually fouled out. We didn't play with the same effort we had against Lakeview, (Grosse Pointe) North and St. Clair."

"Romeo was more physical than we were, and that might

have caused us to take a step back. That's something we addressed in practice on Sunday. We did some banging around."

Romeo never trailed in the game, but the Bulldogs pulled away with a 20-4 run in the third quarter.

Julie Barnabo, who led all scorers with 12 points, scored all of them during the spurt. She hit three 3-point baskets in the run.

"Two of those were uncontested," Richards said. "That was inexcusable."

Romeo came out of the third quarter with a 50-22 lead.

The Bulldogs got only one field goal in the fourth quarter, and that came at the buzzer, but by then the damage had been done.

"We have to do a better job of executing our offense against a zone," Richards said. "Their 1-3-1 gave us problems. We made some bad passes that re-

sulted in turnovers. Even in our win against St. Clair we didn't execute the offense as well as I would have liked. We have to find a way to score points against a zone."

Romeo had a big edge in rebounding. Several times the Bulldogs had two and three tries at the basket and eventually they scored on the putbacks.

Rydquist and Elizabeth Murphy each had seven rebounds for Romeo, while Paige Sickmiller had five. Aisha Rodney had six rebounds to lead South.

"I thought Aisha played well in spurts," Richards said of the freshman center, who also led the Blue Devils with 11 points. "We need people to step up."

South, now 1-1 in the MAC White and 5-3 overall, has another tough division game on Thursday, Jan. 10 when it hosts Utica Ford II.



Grosse Pointe South's Aisha Rodney battles a couple of Romeo players for a rebound.

# Inconsistency plagues North in its slow basketball start

By Chuck Klonke  
*Sports Editor*

Pat Donnelly knows why his Grosse Pointe North basketball team is 0-6.

The thing that's baffling the Norsemen's coach is how to solve the problem.

"We're inconsistent," Donnelly said after North's 59-52 loss to Utica in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division game last week. "Our effort, our execution and holding each other accountable isn't consistent enough. And until we find that consistency, we're going to struggle to win games."

"We shouldn't be 0-6. We have the talent to be 4-2. It's been a roller coaster. We're not only inconsistent from game to game, but we're inconsistent from quarter to quarter. I've never gone through something like this before. I've had teams that have struggled to win, but it was because the talent level wasn't up to par. This team is talented enough to be winning more games. It's a puzzle and it's our job as coaches to figure it out. We're doing some different things this week in hopes of motivating them."

Donnelly felt that Utica played harder than the Norsemen.

"We were down five points at halftime and it was a sloppy first half," he said. "We played better in the second half and had a two-point lead in the fourth quarter, but we fell apart at the end. We're having trouble finishing games. Utica did a better job of finishing this one."

The Utica game was especially troubling because North played so well against Detroit Pershing in the Renaissance Holiday Classic a week earlier.

The Norsemen lost 91-76 to the state-ranked Doughboys, but the game was tied 74-74 with three minutes remaining in the fourth quarter.

"That might be one of the top three teams in the state and we were neck-and-neck with them for 30 minutes," Donnelly said. "They pulled away at the end when we were forced to foul and they made their free throws. Eventually their size, strength and athletic ability beat us, but I was really happy with our effort."

"I thought we might be able to build on that and use it as a springboard for the rest of the season. Then we didn't play well against Utica."

Nick Waller had a strong game against the Chieftains, leading all scorers with 26 points.

"He did some scoring in-

side," Donnelly said. "We had a size advantage on them."

Another strong performance against Utica came from Rashad Boyce, who hit three 3-point baskets.

"Once he's on, it's hard to stop him," Donnelly said. "He was open for a fourth one, but we didn't deliver the ball to him in time and the defense was able to get over to contest the shot."

In the Pershing game, the Doughboys led 15-8 after the first quarter, but North held a 24-23 halftime lead.

"I thought we handled their pressure well," Donnelly said. "Darin Willis had an outstanding game. He played all 32 minutes, handled their pressure and defended well. Nick Waller had a good game, and Jerry Peoples also played very well. Kyle Nadeau came off the bench and drilled a couple of threes."

Pershing broke the 74-all tie with a three-point play. After North missed a shot, 6-foot-9 Derrick Nix got inside for a basket, was fouled and he completed his three-point play. All of a sudden, the Norsemen trailed by six points and they were forced to foul.

North plays at Grosse Pointe South on Friday, then East Detroit on Tuesday, Jan. 15.

# ULS girls lose to Sacred Heart

University Liggett School's girls basketball team got the defense, but not the offense in its game with Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart.

"We had a good third quarter, but we couldn't sustain it," coach Dan Cimini said after the Knights' 46-29 loss to ASH.

ULS trailed 24-8 at halftime, but a 15-point third quarter

closed the gap to 32-22 after three quarters. Rachel Goldberg scored eight points, including a three-point basket, for the Knights in the third quarter.

Cimini said the difference in the game was the Gazelles' size.

"They were tall," he said. "They had one girl that was 6-

3. They got a lot of rebounds and a lot of points on putbacks."

Megan Amicucci continued her fine play at point guard and she led ULS with 10 points. Katie Sheehy had seven points. Charlotte Waldmeir also played a strong game for the Knights, who host Livonia Clarenceville on Jan. 10.





Danika Stone



Annie Shepard

## South has two All-Staters

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

One was the playmaker. The other one was the goal scorer.

And when the talents of Danika Stone and Annie Shepard were combined, it spelled trouble for Grosse Pointe South's field hockey opponents last fall.

The two seniors were selected to the Division I All-State team. Stone, who normally plays the midfield, was named to the first team, while Shepard, a forward, made the second team.

"I'm really going to miss them both next year," said South coach Meg Atwood,

who guided the Blue Devils to the state semifinals before losing 1-0 to Ann Arbor Pioneer — the eventual state champion.

"They were my captains and both of them were great leaders. They led by example with their work ethic."

Stone was capable of playing anywhere on the field, and her versatility helped earn her the most valuable player award for the Blue Devils.

"It didn't matter where I put her, Danika would play great," Atwood said.

"I moved her up front for a game to give our offense a boost and she scored two goals. She has good field

awareness and timing on her passes."

"She's just so determined to do well."

South often went from its home field, which has artificial turf, to a natural grass field on the road. That made passing tricky.

"That's what made Danika such an effective passer," Atwood said. "She'd adjust quickly to the differences in the surfaces."

Stone has been a starter on South's varsity for three seasons. Last year, she was named to the All-State second team.

She'll play field hockey at Central Michigan next season, which delighted Atwood, who

played for the Chippewas and was an academic All-American in 2001.

Shepard was South's second-leading scorer this year and her ability around the goal put a lot of pressure on the opposing defenses.

"She has a really hard shot," Atwood said.

"She knows when to lift it and when to keep it on the ground. She's a good stickhandler, and can go around a defender."

Shepard suffered a foot injury late in the season.

"She broke a bone on the side of her foot, but didn't want to come out of the game," Atwood said. "That's Annie."

## North routs Lancers in MAC Red

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Coaches are always striving to get better performances from their teams, and Grosse Pointe North's Gary Bennett is no exception to that rule.

Even after last week's 69-29 romp over L'Anse Creuse in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division game, Bennett could see room for improvement.

"We looked rusty," he said of the first game back after the long holiday layoff. "We weren't real sharp defensively."

The Lancers led 8-7 before the Norsemen ended the first quarter on a 10-0 run to lead 18-8. North was ahead 32-16 at halftime and the Norsemen broke the game open by outscoring L'Anse Creuse 20-4 in the third quarter.

"We've had some very good third quarters," Bennett said.

Bennett substituted freely throughout the game and even with all of the starters on the bench, the Norsemen continued to pull away.

"It's hard to be happy with a game like this," Bennett said. "You don't want to kill somebody like that, but we have to get our players back in the swing of things."

Another cause for concern was an injury to guard Kayla Womack, who was expected to miss Tuesday's game at Rochester in a matchup of state-ranked teams.

North moved up to No. 1 in some of the polls, while the Falcons held down the seventh spot.

The play of Maddie Kent was one of the bright spots for the Norsemen. She scored 12 points in the fourth quarter, and she'll have to fill in for Womack for as long as she's out.

"This will give Maddie a chance to get some experience in key situations," Bennett said. "We'll need her for next year."

Ariel Braker led North with 18 points. She also had seven rebounds and six steals.

Kelly DeFauw had 12 points, three steals and three assists; Olivia Stander collected 11 points, five steals and four assists; and Jasmine Kennedy had six steals and five assists.

North, which is 8-0 overall, and 2-0 in the MAC Red, plays at Port Huron Northern on Friday, Jan. 11, then returns home for a game against Stevenson on Wednesday, Jan. 16.

## Heat wins indoor baseball tourney

The Michigan Heat plays just as well in the dead of winter as it does when the weather is more conducive to baseball.

The Heat, an under-18 baseball team made up mostly of Grosse Pointe North students, was the runner-up in the Grand Blanc Christmas tournament, which was held at the Genesee Fieldhouse.

The Heat won three of the four games it played in the tournament.

"The kids had a lot of fun," said Frank Cordova, one of the Heat coaches.

"They've got the fences between 300 and 310 feet from home plate. I expected to freeze in there, but it was quite comfortable."

Cordova said that the only drawback was the lighting.

"The lighting wasn't real good. That's probably why the pitchers dominated," he said.

The Heat's Drew Tech and

Marc Palazzolo started the tournament by throwing back-to-back no-hitters. Tech had 13 strikeouts.

Kyle Cordova homered in the third game to put the Heat ahead to stay. J.D. St. John led all hitters with a 5-for-9 performance. Brett Reardon was also among the Heat's leading hitters.

John-Michael Guest and Geordan Garza each made diving catches in crucial situations

to keep the Heat rolling toward the championship game.

Other members of the team are Josh Cok, Mike Marlin, Michael Rahaim, Nicko Varlamos, Tommy Graves and Will Ferrara.

Joining Frank Cordova on the coaching staff are John Richardson, Frank Palazzolo and Dave St. John.

The Heat plays in the Michigan Amateur Baseball Federation.

## Blue Devils wrestle well

Grosse Pointe South's wrestling team got back into action last weekend and the Blue Devils had success at both the varsity and junior varsity levels.

The varsity squad finished second in the 13-team Bishop Foley Invitational.

T. J. Carter was the champion at 171 pounds, and Blake Bowman took first place at 160.

Sergio Rodriguez reached the finals at 103 pounds and was runner-up.

Joey Konen finished third as he won in the consolation finals at 125. Finishing fourth were Nick Peters (112), Griffin

Forton (119) and Sean Foley (189).

Fifth-place medals were won by Max Thomas at 152 pounds and heavyweight Reggie Lewis. Thomas also received the award for the most pins in the least amount of time.

South JV team competed in the Canton JV Invitational and placed in six weight classes.

Neil Leising was third at 119 pounds, while Andrew Stieber (103) and Jake Merritt (112) each finished fourth.

Fifth-place finishers were Nolan Goodall (119) and Christian Narvios (125). Undreas Hudson was sixth at 145.

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young kids."

One of the young kids, who'll start seeing some action is freshman Corbet Conroy. Conroy is a 6-foot-2 guard, who was called up from the junior varsity team.

"He's a good shooter, so we'll get him some playing time," Twigg said.

In the Port Huron game, the Big Reds just had too much Sam Seppo.

"Jimmy was all over him and he still scored 24 points," Twigg said. "There's nothing much you can do when a guy's on fire like that."

"I didn't think we played that badly, but we didn't score enough."

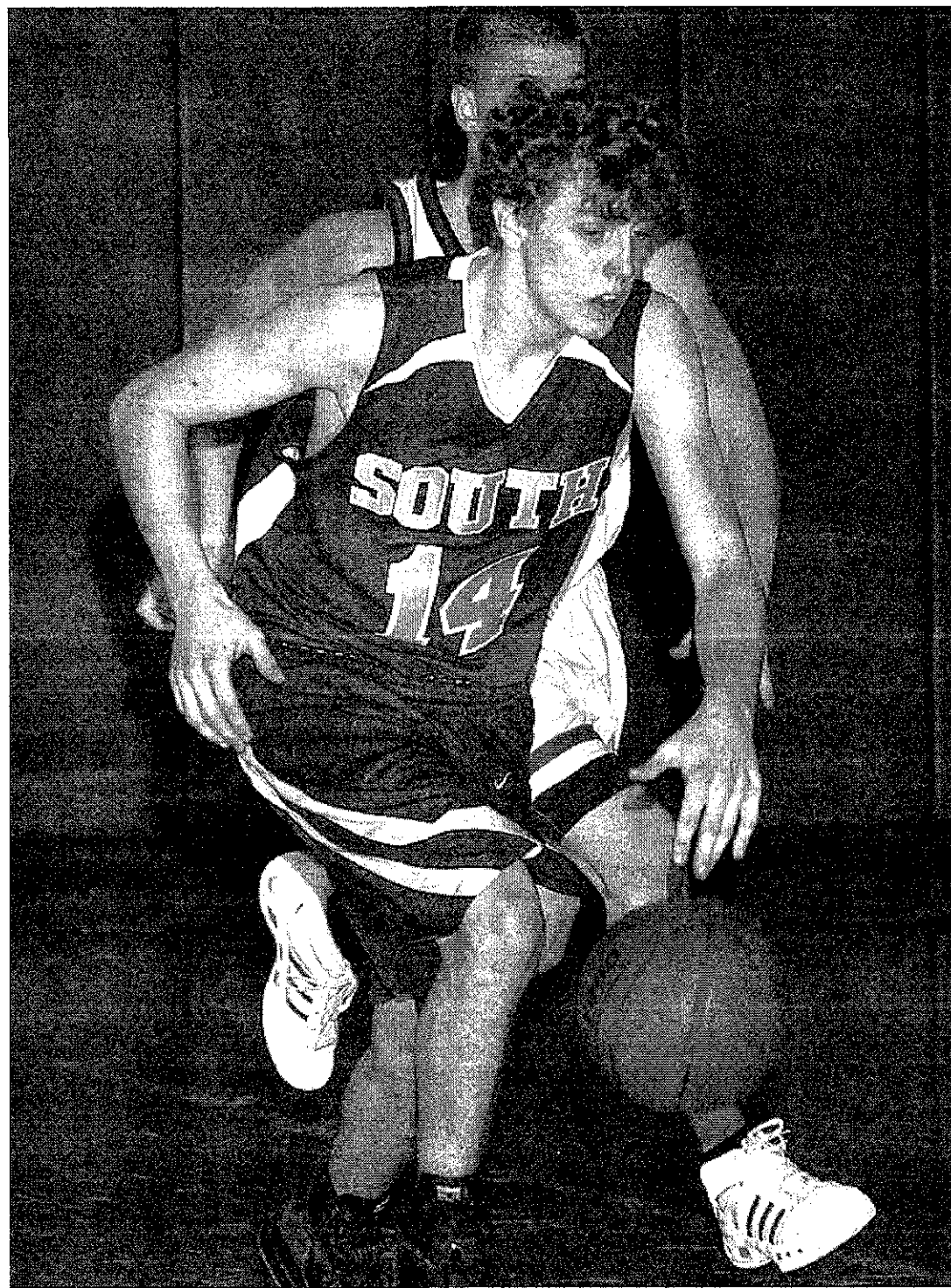
The game was tied at 39-all at the end of regulation. Port Huron held a 23-17 halftime lead.

Saros led South with 19 points.

The Blue Devils, who are 1-3 in the MAC White and 3-4 overall, host Grosse Pointe North on Friday.

## Maters honored

Grosse Pointe South's Ben Maters will be featured Sunday, Jan. 13 at 11:30 p.m. on Channel 7's Late Night Sports as the McDonald's High School Scholar Athlete of the Week.



Grosse Pointe South's Max Pearson dribbles past a Stevenson defender.

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

## Openings for baseball camp

There are still openings for the Dan Griesbaum Baseball School Indoor Camp, which will be held Saturday, Jan. 19 and Sunday, Jan. 20 at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Camp hours are 2 to 5 p.m. each day.

The camp will feature instruction in hitting, pitching and catching. Campers can sign up for only one session per day, but they can attend a different session on each of the two days.

Instructors are South baseball coaches and players.

The cost of the camp is \$50 for one day or \$90 for both days.

Because of Michigan High School Athletic Association restrictions, the camp is open only to players in grades two through six.

Brochures are available at the main office at South and at the Neighborhood Club. There is no registration at the door.

For more information, call one of the camp directors — Matt Reno at (313) 886-5537 or Dan Griesbaum at (313) 884-7834.

## North wins swim opener

Grosse Pointe North's swimming team opened the season with a 61-32 victory against Marysville.

Winning individual events for the Norsemen were Max Hunt, 200-yard freestyle; Austin Damm, 200 individual medley; David Castile, 100 butterfly; and Cameron Howle, 500 freestyle.

## Pointe Aquatics will host Frost Fest meet

Pointe Aquatics Swim Club will host the 2008 Frost Fest Invitational swimming meet from Friday, Jan. 11 through Sunday, Jan. 13 at Grosse Pointe North High School.

The meet is for swimmers 14 and under. The first event on Friday begins at 5:30 p.m. The Saturday and Sunday morning sessions start at 8:30. The afternoon session on Saturday and Sunday starts at 1:30 p.m.

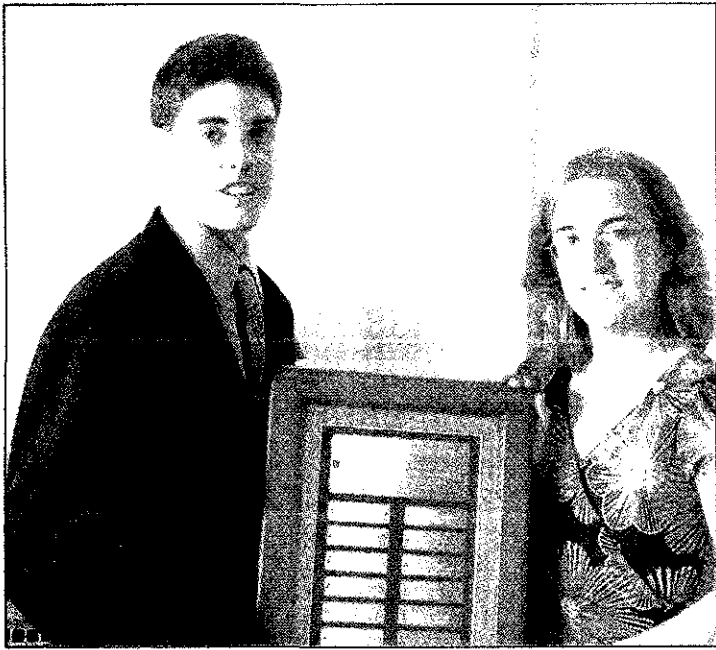


# North honors senior athletes

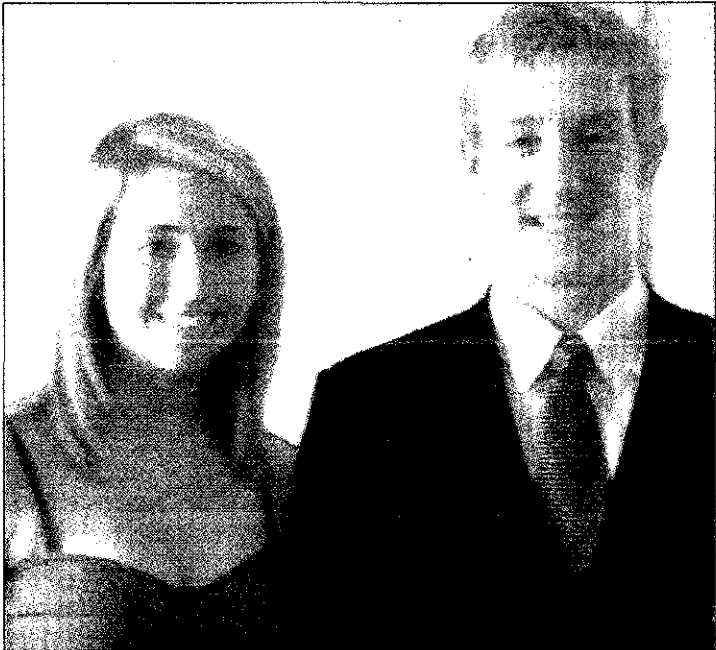
The 2006-07 school year was another successful one for Grosse Pointe North athletes. North's boys hockey team advanced to the state semifinals, but several other squads won league, district and regional championships. North's baseball and softball teams were ranked in the state's top 10 for most of the season, and so was the girls basketball team. Many of the school's senior athletes were honored at the school's annual awards brunch. Following are the awards presented each year to North's seniors and last spring's winners.

ners. Detroit Tigers baseball scholarship — Matt Koppinger. Detroit Free Press scholar athlete — Sarah Gryniewicz. Michigan High School Athletic Association scholar athlete — Alex Davenport. Scott Paavola swimming scholarship — Karl Tech, Juliana Schmidt and Michael Kedzierski.

athlete — Andy VanEgmond and Lauren Flanagan. Grosse Pointe North scholar athlete — Alex Davenport and Betsy Graney. Cari Gauerke Klein scholarship (athletes involved in performing arts) — Sean Stevenson. Chip Alexander perseverance and dedication award for overcoming obstacles — Sarah Gryniewicz and Matthew Kingsley. Dick Cooper scholarship — Cory Foglesong and Natalie Tocco. Meli/Ciaramitaro team player award — Billy Schrage and Kate Zemenick.



Matthew Kingsley and Sarah Gryniewicz were winners of the Chip Alexander perseverance and dedication award.



Natalie Tocco and Cory Foglesong were winners of the Dick Cooper scholarship.



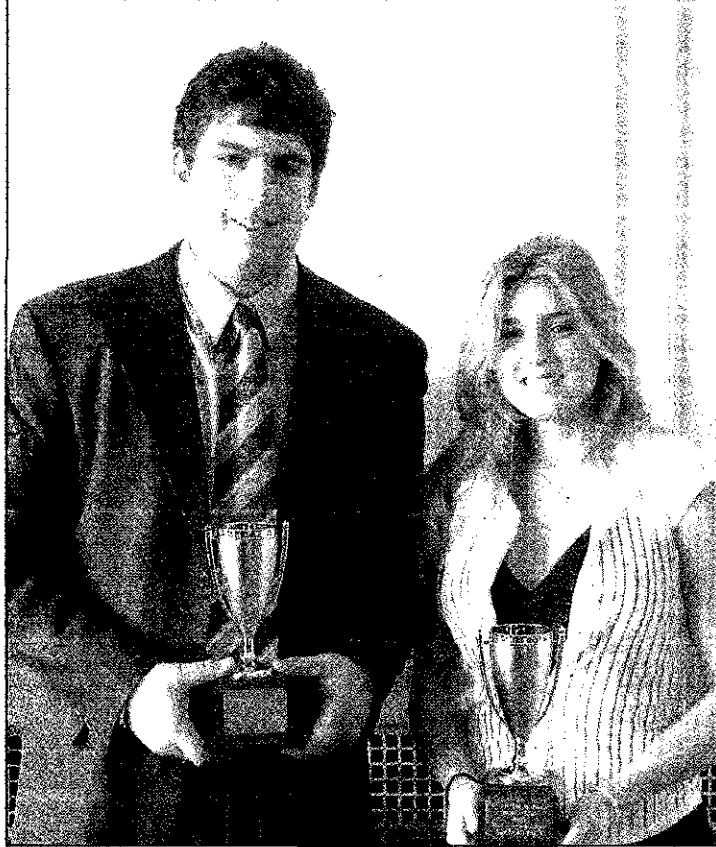
Billy Schrage and Kate Zemenick were winners of the Meli/Ciaramitaro team player award.



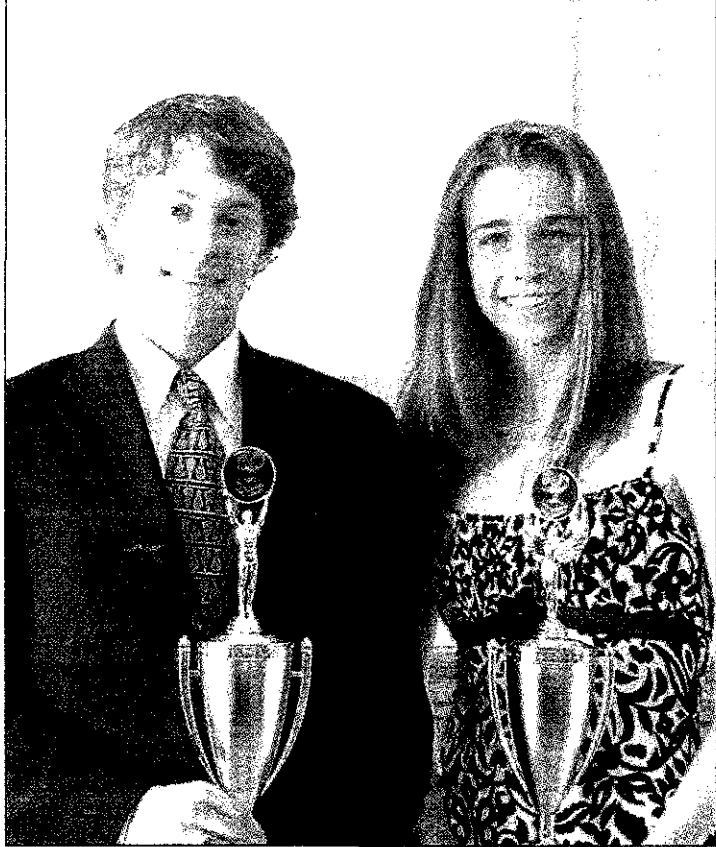
Karl Tech, left, Juliana Schmidt and Michael Kedzierski received the Scott Paavola swimming scholarship.



Sarah Gryniewicz, shown with her parents, was the Detroit Free Press scholar athlete award winner.



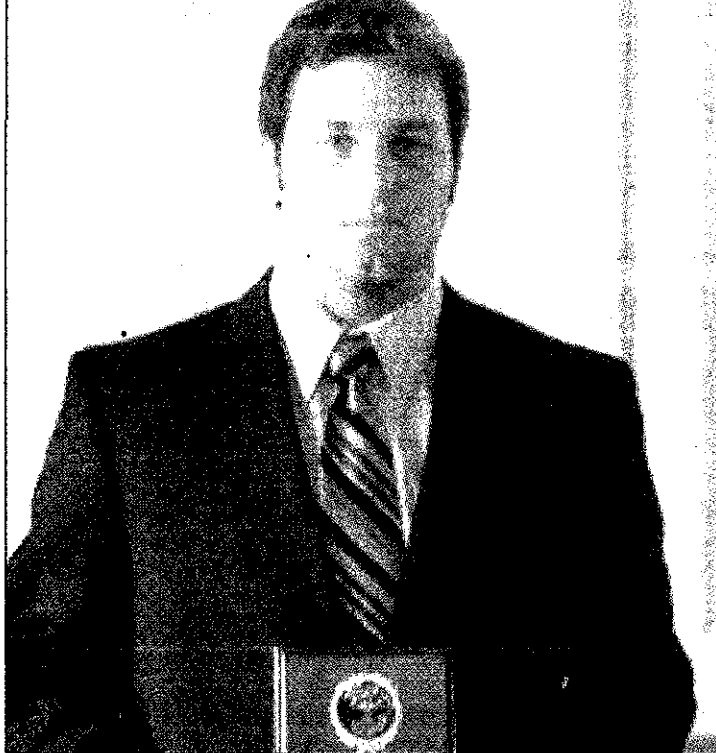
Ron Bedway and Carolyn Bott were winners of the VanHee/DiMambro most dedicated athlete award.



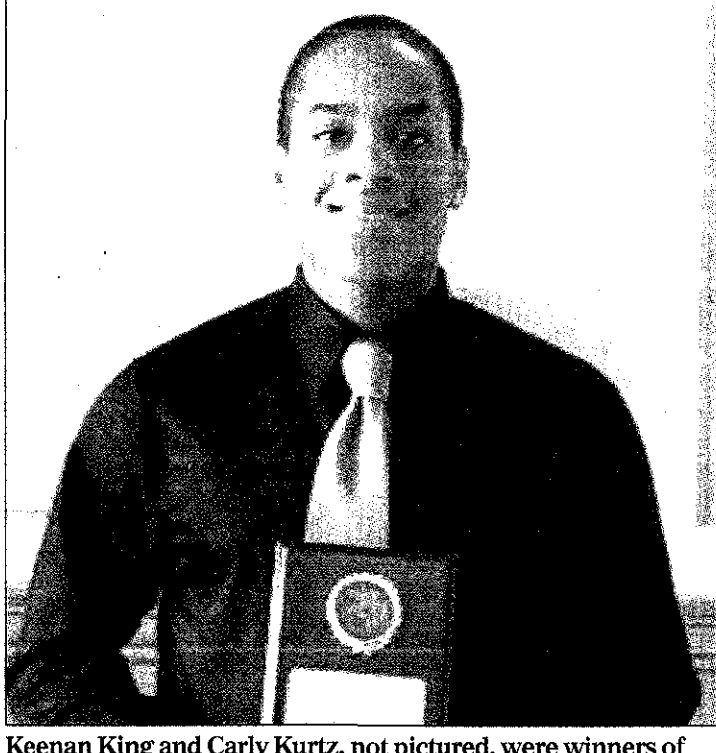
Alex Davenport and Betsy Graney were winners of the Grosse Pointe North scholar athlete award.



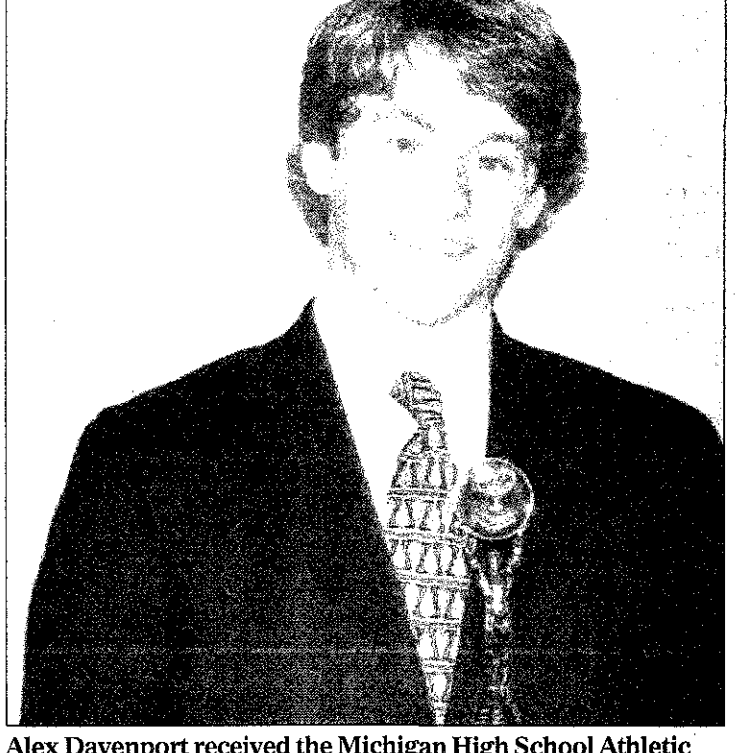
Lauren Flanagan and Andy VanEgmond received the United States Army scholar athlete award.



Matt Koppinger was winner of the Detroit Tigers scholarship.



Keenan King and Carly Kurtz, not pictured, were winners of the Rose Cardani outstanding competitor award.



Alex Davenport received the Michigan High School Athletic Association scholarship.



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### 201 HELP WANTED BABYSITTER

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### 203 HELP WANTED DENTAL/MEDICAL

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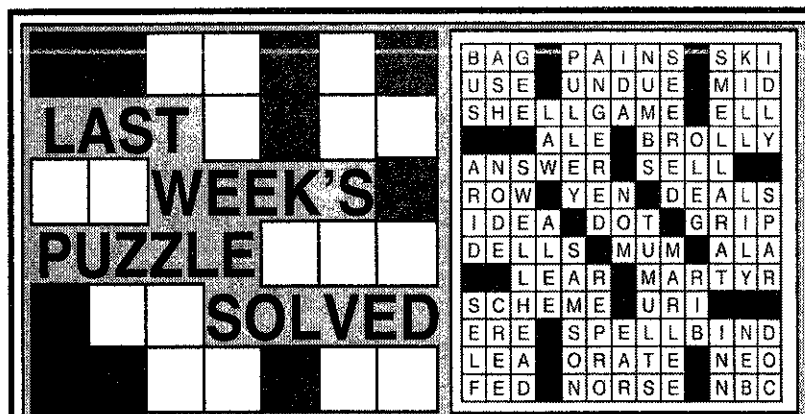
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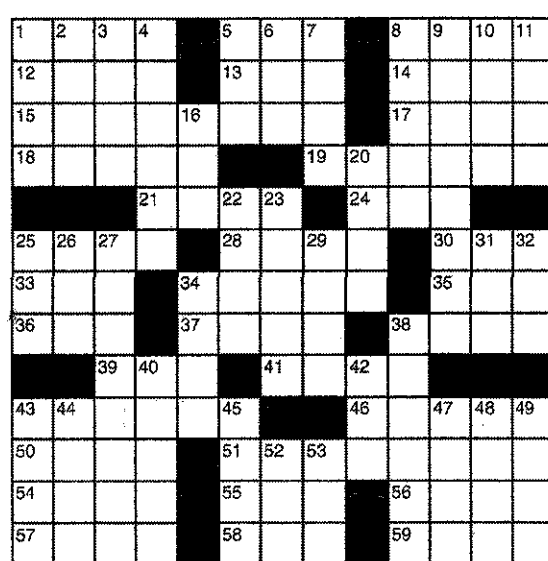
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**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Adoption Society-Pets for adoption. 313-884-1551, GPAAS.org

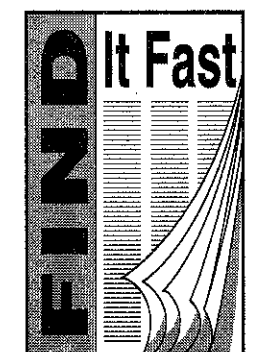
**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic: couple of kittens. (313)822-5707

## 505 LOST AND FOUND

**CAT** lost- gray female. White face, paw, belly. McKinley/ Mack. December 29. 313-884-0217

## 505 LOST AND FOUND

**GROSSE** Pointe Animal Clinic has black medium hair kitten; female older tan Labrador mix. (313)822-5707



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## 600 AUTOMOTIVE CARS

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1FALP13P9VW184730.

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1MELM50U4TA614337.

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2002 Dodge  
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1996 Ford  
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1P3XZ7634LF879638.

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1994 Buick  
1G4HP52L8RH464473.

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The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to auction. Payments: Cash or certified check only. Vehicles may be pulled/ released prior to auction by Grosse Pointe Farms/ Woods Police.

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## 602 AUTOMOTIVE FORD

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**2006** Mercury Milan V6 Premier, 5 passenger, 3.0L 4V V6 Duratec engine, 6- speed auto-30,000 miles, \$18,500. (313)881-2197

## 603 AUTOMOTIVE GENERAL MOTORS

**2001** Pontiac Bonneville SLE. Very good condition, heated leather seats, sunroof, loaded, 104,000 miles. \$5,700. (313)884-5980

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**1996** Honda Accord, stick, \$1,900. (313)885-1371

**1998** Jaguar VanDen Plas. 68,000 miles. Chaefer driven. \$11,500. 810-385-5601

## 606 AUTOMOTIVE SPORT UTILITY

**1997** Chevy Tahoe, premium sound, loaded, 20" wheels (factory set also), \$4,500. (313)717-8850

**2000** Ford Explorer. Limited, V8. 92,000 miles. Loaded. \$5,700/ best. (586)218-4491

**1993** Jeep Cherokee, 4 door, new clutch, low miles, \$1,350. 313-308-4654

## 611 AUTOMOTIVE TRUCKS

**2001** Ford F-150 extended cab, 4x4, loaded, excellent condition, \$10,900. (586)747-4075

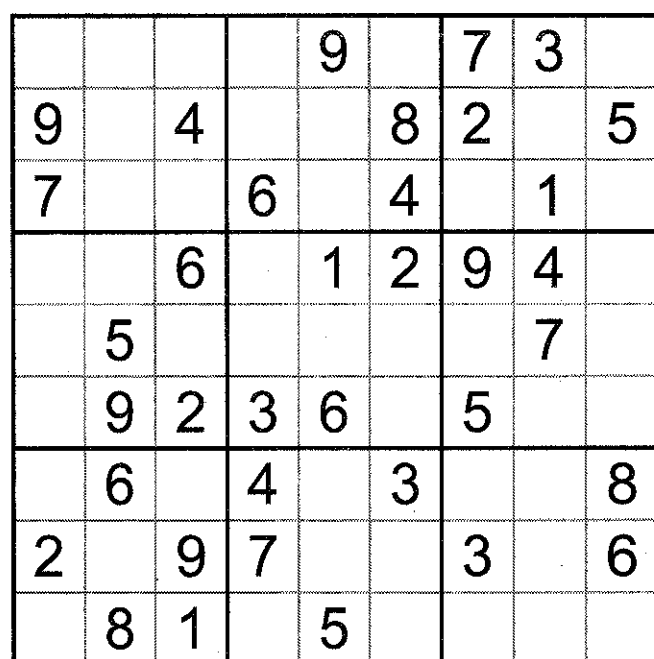
## 612 AUTOMOTIVE VANS

**1998** Plymouth Grand Voyager SE- Green, 2 sliding doors, 76,000 miles. New tires/ brakes. \$4,350. (313)227-6822

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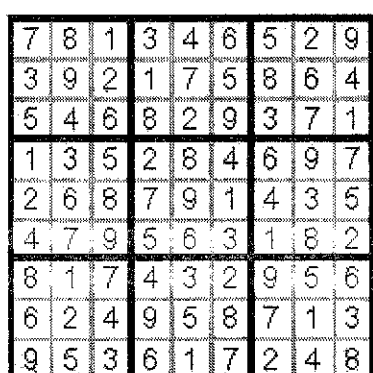
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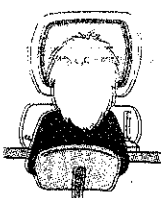
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**207** Lakeview, Grosse Pointe Farms, new construction, 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath. First floor master. First floor laundry, gourmet kitchen. Month to month. \$2,700. Option to own. Call (313)884-8882

**2160** Ridgemont, Grosse Pointe Woods, includes washer, dryer, kitchen appliances. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. \$900. (313)885-4657

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**414** Neff- 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, air, 2 car garage. \$1,400. Crane Realty (313)884-6451

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**GROSSE** Pointe Farms 383 McKinley, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage, completely finished basement \$1,600/ month includes water. (313)885-4657

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**DOUBLE SHUFFLE** Jim Reiss 2008

**RULES:** Reshuffle six letters to form a new word. If a word is given, find an anagram of that word. Place letters in boxes next to shuffled letters. After all six words are solved, find new 6-letter words shuffled in the six columns or two diagonals.

**HINT:** There might be more than one answer hidden in the six columns or two diagonals. Can you find **SIX** words? Happy Hunting!

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 Col. 3: FAMISH  
 Col. 5: CANCEL

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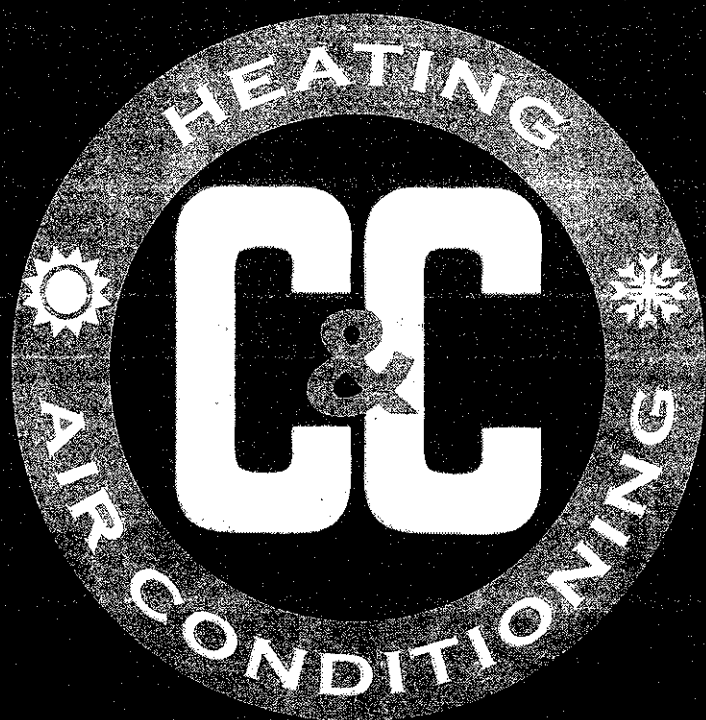
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