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THURSDAY, APRIL 24

♦ The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library and the University of Michigan present George Bornstein at 7:30 p.m., who will discuss "The Great Gatsby" in the Grosse Pointe South High School auditorium. The lecture is free to friends members and non-members pay \$10.
♦ Grosse Pointe South High School's all-school musical, "Les Miserables," will be presented at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets are available at Posterity, A Gallery in the Village of Grosse Pointe, 17005 Kercheval.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

♦ A celebration of Grosse Pointe North High School's 40th anniversary will be observed at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For ticket information, visit gpschool.org/northparent.
♦ Grosse Pointe South High School's all-school musical, "Les Miserables" will be presented at 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

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SUNDAY, APRIL 27

♦ The Dossin Great Lakes Museum, 100 Strand, Belle Isle, will be the site of the first Dossin Invitational Rowing Regatta at noon. The Grosse Ile Rowing Club and Detroit Boat's junior boys and girls crews will compete at 2 p.m. Admission is free.
♦ Grosse Pointe South High School's all-school musical, "Les Miserables" will be presented at 3 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

MONDAY, APRIL 28

♦ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees meet at 7 p.m. at the Ewald Branch

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PHOTO BY BOB ST. JOHN

Celebrate Earth Day

First-grader Lucas Epstein colored his picture celebrating Earth Day in Elizabeth Wang's Monteith classroom. The group Arts and Scraps gave the students a craft kit to make their own project. For pictures and a story, see page 13A. For LocalMotion's second annual Earth Day festivities, turn to page 27A.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Town turns out for benefit tea

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

If the Grosse Pointe Public Library's staff members ever tire of books, they might think about going into party planning.

Their April 13 benefit tea at the Ewald branch was a proper affair complete with silver serving pieces and white table cloths.

"All that we were lacking were the hats," said Diana Howbert, reference librarian for the Central branch.

The library sold more than 270 tickets to the afternoon fete and raised approximately \$6,000 for author Greg Mortenson's nonprofit Central Asia Institute.

The organization has built more than 61 schools located in rural and often volatile regions of Pakistan and



PHOTO BY BETH QUINN

While searching for serving pieces, Library Director Vickey Bloom and Reference Librarian Diana Howbert unearthed these two long forgotten sterling silver punch bowls buried deep in the Central branch's storage closet.

Afghanistan. As the result of Mortenson's efforts, more than 25,000 impoverished children are receiving an edu-

cation. Mortenson's quest is depicted.

See TEA, page 6A

City holds DDA public hearing

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

The need to upgrade business districts and draw shoppers into the City of Grosse Pointe is the foundation for creating a Downtown Development Authority.

On Monday night, residents and merchants crammed into an overflowing City of Grosse Pointe council chambers to voice their opinions over the proposed DDA that would encompass the Village shopping district.

Residents took turns at the microphone sharing their views of the plan. It was just one segment of the multi-part process the City needs to go through before creating a DDA.

"Downtown Development Authorities have been used extensively in municipalities (throughout Michigan) in the redevelopment of their downtown business districts," said Pat McGow, the City's DDA counsel. "(Tonight's public hearing) is not an action item or resolution (for the council)."

McGow said the benefits of a DDA are self-evident. It is most commonly financed through capturing property taxes of the businesses within the DDA boundaries that normally would go to the county or local community college district.

"Tonight is step one of that process," he said. "A DDA does not have the power in zoning, planning or city ordinance (issues)."

"It also cannot (encroach) on (the rights) of private property (owners)."

Communities throughout the state have used DDA to finance streetscape improvements, parking, underground utilities and other public infrastructure improvements, downtown marketing efforts and staff operations, said City Manager Peter Dame in an open letter to merchants and residents.

The primary method of funding a DDA is through tax increment financing through public infrastructure improvements. By capturing taxes, the DDA could use them for public improvements in the targeted area. And by borrowing against future tax increments, a DDA would be able to fund large-scale projects, which could lead to new development opportunities within the downtown.

It was also noted that no taxes could be captured from the local school district.

Residents voiced concerns that one funding option for a DDA was the levy of a millage within the district. The levy could not exceed 2 mills and only could be approved by a DDA board and city council.

John Denomme, promotion manager for the Grosse Pointe Village Association, said that the general consensus of the meeting was "by-and-large good."

"There is definitely a concern about a 2 mill tax increase, but since the DDA board will be (mostly, if not all) comprised of merchants, that's not going to happen," he said. "The overall tenor was positive. I'm looking forward to moving this process along and getting this thing done."

McGow said that while that was an option, the primary method of funding a DDA was through the capturing of property taxes.

See DDA, page 10A

POINTER OF INTEREST

'Every day I walked to class (at ASU), I was inspired.'

John George

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
Age: 36

Family: Wife, Heather; son, Jack; daughter, Kate

Claim to fame: Worked with some of the country's most famous celebrities

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Yesterday's headlines



FROM THE APRIL 24, 1958 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1958: Guess who gets the most exercise?

Taking six standard French poodle puppies for an airing poses a problem for Mrs. Fred W. Schoen of Maumee Avenue as she attempts to keep from becoming entangled in the leashes. Mimi, the mama poodle at left, presented a litter of nine to the poodle world in the care of the Schoens.

1958

50 years ago this week

◆HOODLUMS TRY TO CRASH PARTY

Grosse Pointe Park police are still without clues to the identities of three young hoodlums who crashed a party on Windmill Pointe Drive. According to police, two young men wearing leather jackets entered the residence while four others waited in the vestibule. One of the boys told the maid that his father was attending the party and the maid called the homeowner.

The homeowner figured none of his 200 guests were related to any of the youths and demanded the boys leave. A brief scuffle followed, during which one of the youths pulled a switch-blade. The homeowner and a few guests threw the boys out of the house.

The youths fled before police arrived, but not before slashing the top of a convertible and breaking the window of another car.

◆FIRE DAMAGES FARMS HOME

Grosse Pointe Farms firemen quickly contained a fire at a home on Touraine, but not before it caused about \$5,000 in damage.

The fire was licking up the bedroom wall toward the ceiling when firemen arrived. The fire was contained to the bed-

room and believed caused by faulty wiring in the wall.

1983

25 years ago this week

◆TEACHER CONTRACT TALKS TO START

Already faced with two unsettled school employee contracts, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education will sit down at the bargaining table with the school system's largest employee group — the 500-member Grosse Pointe Education Association.

◆FIRE HAZARDS CLOSE THEATER

The Punch and Judy Theater cleared inspection and was back in business a day after a state fire marshal ordered it closed because of two fire code violations.

About 50 patrons were asked to leave the theater after the violations were uncovered. They included a faulty furnace that was pumping fumes into the theater instead of venting through the chimney and a broken panic bar on one of the exit doors.

1998

10 years ago this week

◆WOODS OFFICIALS PLAN WATER MAIN

Grosse Pointe Woods officials said work will begin soon to install a new 12-inch water main under Vernier Road from Mack to Marter.

The new main replaces a 50-year-old pipe that officials said is falling apart. The main serves both the Woods and Grosse Pointe Shores.

◆SHORES SEEKS YACHT CLUB EXPANSION

Grosse Pointe Shores Village officials are proposing an advisory ballot to enable every Shores household to weigh in on the renovation of the joint yacht club and Shores harbor. Households will be asked to vote for or against the plan, even though no firm design proposals exist.

The yacht club has had internal discussions regarding architectural and engineering plans and environmental studies, but nothing has been submitted to Shores officials yet. Residents are concerned that they cannot make an informed vote without having seen any renovation proposals.

2003

5 years ago this week

◆CITY TESTS PUBLIC PARKS TAXATION

A suit filed against the City of Grosse Pointe will be a test case for setting tax rates on resident-only parks.

Last year, the Michigan State Tax Commission contested tax rates set at the City's Neff Park, Grosse Pointe Farms' Pier Park and Grosse Pointe Park's Patterson and Windmill Pointe parks. According to Michigan State law, because the parks are resident-only parks within each city's boundaries, they must be taxed or opened up to the public.

The City believes its park is exempt from the tax based on a discrepancy in the language between two of the State's laws and the fact the city's deed restrictions and charter requires a vote of the people regarding alternate uses of the property.

◆WOODS PULLS PLUG ON NEON SIGNS ON MACK

No neon is the word for businesses in Grosse Pointe Woods after months of study among city planners. If passed into law, some 57 businesses in the Woods must pull the plug on at least 88 existing neon signs. Business owners would have five years to comply.

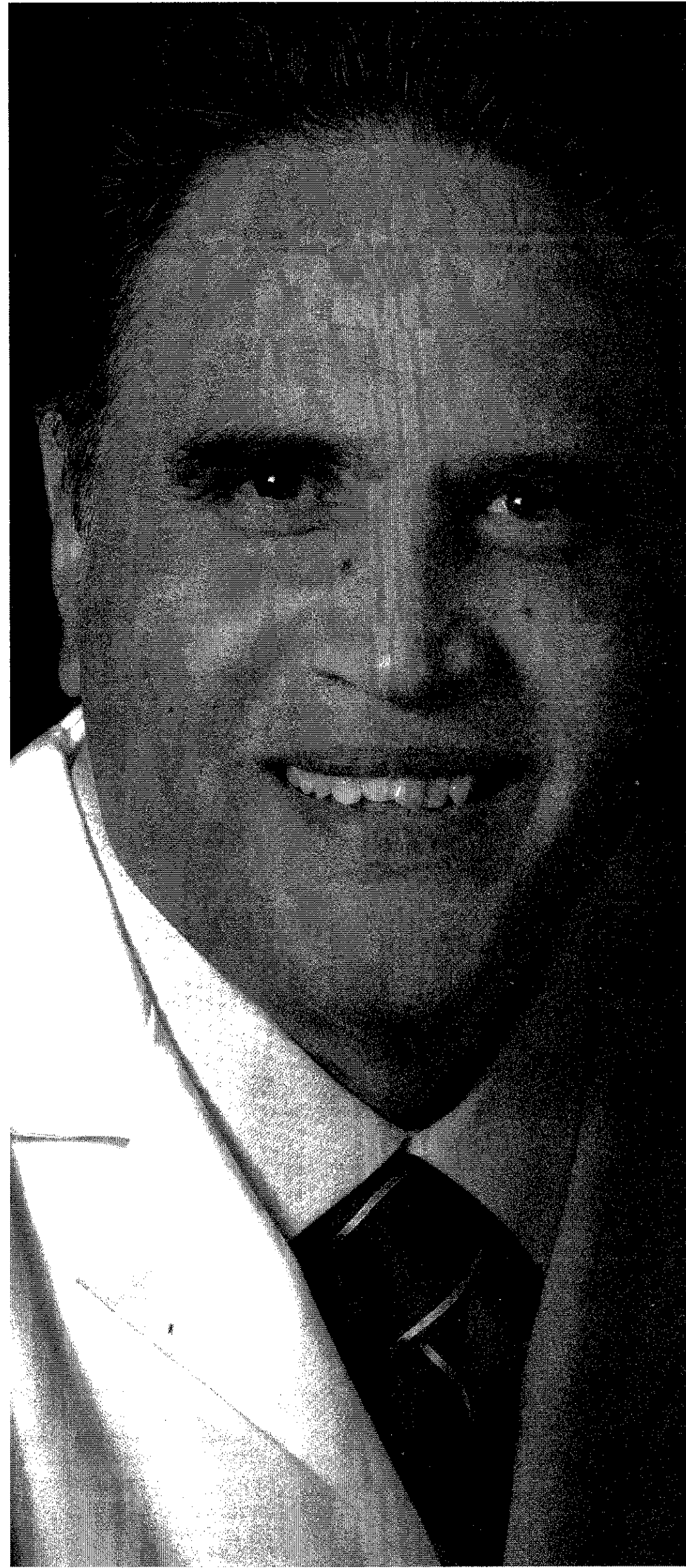
Neon signs have been banned in the city since the 1970s. Council members of the could not explain how the signs were able to be erected since that time.

◆FARMS TO BUBBLE AWAY BEACH WOES

New technology to be implemented at the Grosse Pointe Farms' Pier Park beach may be cause for "bubbly" celebrations by beach goers.

The Farms will be installing a hose attached to a pump which will aerate water in the beach area to help circulate the water and bring up and break down bacteria that forms in the sediment.

—By Karen Fontanive



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Shores officials give answers to cityhood plan

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

There are several necessary steps to change from the township to city form of government in Michigan.

While village officials have been putting their ducks in a row for a May 6 village vote, residents have expressed concerns over the process.

"Converting to a city may not necessarily be a bad thing," said Dan Schulte. "But I wonder why there was no open forum scheduled for residents to have their questions answered."

Schulte pointed to several other communities that held public forums outside of regu-

lar council meetings to answer resident's questions before converting to a city.

"Grosse Pointe Shores has been chartered a village since 1911 and there is a heritage attached to that," he said.

Schulte also questioned potential tax savings should the village choose to join Macomb County as suggested in media accounts. He said property taxes would be higher than those assessed by Wayne County.

"(Aside from that) it's easy to be fed up with Wayne County," Schulte said.

Village President James Cooper said the proposal process has been as transparent as possible, saying that res-

idents were invited to air their comments at the regular January village meeting. He added that there are no current plans to join Macomb County.

"This is something that has been talked about for more than 20 years," Cooper said. "It is our intent to stay ahead of the curve."

"We do not want to give up any of (our autonomy) to Wayne County."

Cooper is alluding to legislation currently dormant in the Michigan legislature that would allow counties to assume tax collection, conduct elections and assess property taxes upon townships.

Schulte said the legislation

is stillborn and questioned whether that was the real motive behind the cityhood proposal.

But Mark McInerney, village attorney, said just because the legislation wasn't acted on this year, doesn't mean it won't be in the near future.

"You look at Gov. Jennifer Granholm's (2007 State of the State) speech where she mentioned townships consolidating services," he said. "She tied it to state revenue sharing. (The legislation) has not gone anywhere."

Voters will have two issues to decide May 6: Cityhood and the selection of nine charter commission members. If voters approve the cityhood ini-

tiative, the charter commission will be charged with creating a city charter in time for the regular election in November.

Cooper said one thing that certainly has pleased him is the caliber of the 12 candidates who have thrown their hats in the ring for the commission.

"These are really great candidates," Cooper said, lauding each who has experience in village matters past and present. "They are all very qualified and excited to serve."

"It is an exciting time in Grosse Pointe Shores."

There also some issues that need to be resolved. One is if the Shores did one day decide to join Macomb County, would

it be placed in the South Lake School District, like those in Lake Township. McInerney said that school district boundaries would not be affected if voters approve the proposal.

"Remaining in (the Grosse Pointe district) is paramount to us (in Grosse Pointe Shores)," Cooper said.

Another rumor floating around is that if the Shores becomes a city, a city income tax is not far behind, a suggestion that Cooper quickly dismissed.

In a letter sent out by Grosse Pointe Shores, it stressed that there would be "no impact" on the charges of services to residents of the village.

"There won't be a city income tax," Cooper said.

Lack of dredging may lead to boats docking elsewhere

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods residents who dock boats at Lake Front Park that draw more than four feet of water may have to make different docking arrangements this summer.

Dredging will not be done at the park marina prior to the boating season, according to Recreation Supervisor

Melissa Sharp. She estimates that 10 boats typically docked at the park could be affected by the channel depth this summer.

A marina survey conducted in the fall and winter indicated the channel depth to be four feet with the exception of a small area along its side.

While the city allocated \$20,000 for dredging this year, the work was not done prior to the April 15 expiration of

permits from the Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of Environmental Quality. The city had planned to save on dredging costs by combining operations with St. Clair Shores, but the plan hit a snag with the disposal of dredging spoils.

"The period for dredging under the necessary permits is now closed," said Mark Wollenweber, city administrator. "The dredging season

won't reopen again until August 31, obviously just as boating season is ending."

There is also the question whether the city would consider dredging when so few boats are affected.

"The boating contract every boat owner signs clearly states that the city does not guarantee the depth," Wollenweber pointed out.

City Councilman Joe Sucher urged city officials to

contact the affected boat owners as soon as possible so they can make arrangements to dock their boats elsewhere.

"From a purely safety standpoint, we have an obligation to inform boat owners that we are not dredging," Sucher said. "If you have people standing on the bow of your boat and you run aground, those people will go overboard."

"This is very much a safety

issue, not to mention a courtesy to those boat owners."

A survey of other lake front parks indicate several can easily accommodate bigger boats. Grosse Pointe Park's limit is a seven foot draft, while the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms feel comfortable with a six foot draft.

Boat owners who have questions should contact Sharp at Lake Front Park, (313) 343-2470.



PHOTO BY JASON FRATTINI

Kitchen fire

It took the Grosse Pointe Farms fire department no more than one minute to respond to a house fire on Charlevoix and Lewiston Monday, April 21. Richard Rosati, Farms police detective, said that the fire "quite possibly" began in the kitchen when the homeowner left to drop off a cooked sandwich for her child at a local school. "There was extensive fire damage in the kitchen, stairwells, hallways and bedrooms on the second floor," he said. "There was virtually no damage on the third floor." Rosati said initial concerns that the fire was caused by a faulty boiler are currently unfounded. A 911 call by a passing motorist at noon was originally routed to the City of Grosse Pointe before being transferred to the Farms, fire officials said. It took crews from the Farms, City and Grosse Pointe Park about two hours to fully extinguish the blaze. The home was currently for sale and occupied at the time of the fire. No damage estimates were available by press time. No injuries were reported.

Cable funds to cover bond notes

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Cable funds are being used to pay back \$1.325 million borrowed by Grosse Pointe Woods to cover Lake Front Park pool repairs and other costs.

The city planned to use proceeds from a recreation bond to pay off the Bond Anticipation Notes it purchased in 2006 for the repairs. But the state's economy derailed the proposal, as city officials recognized the time was not right to levy additional taxes.

Faced with a May 1 deadline, the city council voted Monday, April 21 to use cable fund proceeds totaling about \$1.329 million to pay off the BANs.

City financial advisor Michael Gormely made the recommendation based on current interest rates. The interest charged on the three year note is 4.3 percent, he said, and money held in the reserve account was earning less than 3 percent.

"The funds that would be used are not earning what the city is paying in interest," he

told the council. He also indicated that using money from the cable fund would not impact the city's financial rating.

The major portion of the BAN money was used to add a new liner, install a handicap ramp and new steps at the pool and improve the Aqua Climb.

Additional dollars were used to dredge the Milk River and make renovations to the Cook School house.

"We made many improvements around the pool," said Councilwoman Vicki Granger. "It was money well spent."

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Symposium is a must for seniors

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

As people age, life can become complicated.

It is important for seniors and their families to stay abreast of the latest issues facing older citizens.

For eight years, the Grosse Pointe Public Library has been helping to fulfill that need by sponsoring its Senior Symposium.

The talks will be held on three consecutive Wednesdays, beginning May 7. Each session will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore.

On May 7, "Protecting Yourself from Investment Fraud" will be discussed by Chad Hartwick, securities examination manager from the State of Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Services.

He will speak about investment scams which frequently target seniors. Attendees will learn how to identify and avoid fraudulent investments.

Claudia VonDrak, director of the Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults, will present "My Medicare Matters" on May 14. She will discuss the best ways to access answers to questions about eligibility and benefits. Attendees will also learn the best Web sites to learn about Medicare Part D.

The Harper Woods learning center offers health, education and enrichment programs for adults 50 years and older living on the eastside of Detroit.

VonDrak is a doctoral student in instructional technology and is working toward a graduate certification in gerontology at Wayne State University.

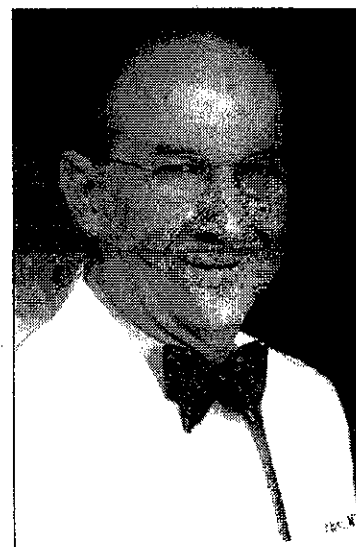
She specializes in issues affecting older adults, such as geriatric lifestyles and intergenerational relationships.

Dr. Peter V. Rabins, co-author of "The 36 Hour Day," will spearhead the final symposium on May 21. His talk will focus on ways family members can prepare for and cope with being a caregiver for an aging loved one.

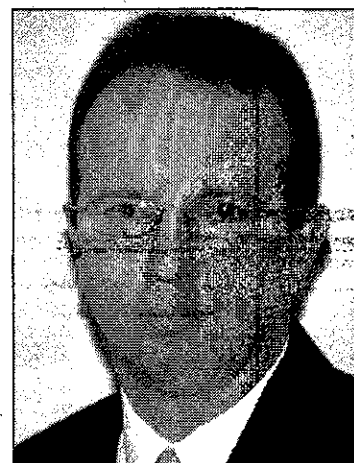
His book is a family guide to caring for people with memory loss, Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

Rabins is director of geriatric and neuropsychiatry for John Hopkins Hospital's department of psychiatry.

The library will be serving dessert at 1:30 p.m. at each symposium before the speak-



Peter V. Rabins



Chad Hartwick



Claudia VonDrak

ers' presentation at 2 p.m.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

John George is on Cloud Nine after the birth of his twins, Kate and Jack. With a tight family, a supportive wife and a job that gets better with each assignment, life is fun.

George enjoying life to its fullest

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

The birth of twins several months ago has brought a new meaning to the world according to John George.

The busy Grosse Pointe Farms resident and vice president and creative director of Lovio George in Detroit, gets to leave his office and return home to the friendly chaos called fatherhood.

"Being a dad is the best feeling in the world," George, 36, said. "The birth of my twins, Jack and Kate, has brought my life into an entirely different phase."

"Everything I do here at home or even at work is so I can help provide my wife and children with stability. I take a lot of pride in that."

George is a transplant from Oakland County.

He spent most of his childhood and teen years in Bloomfield, graduating from Lahser High School.

He attended the University

of Illinois for a brief time before transferring to Arizona State University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in product design.

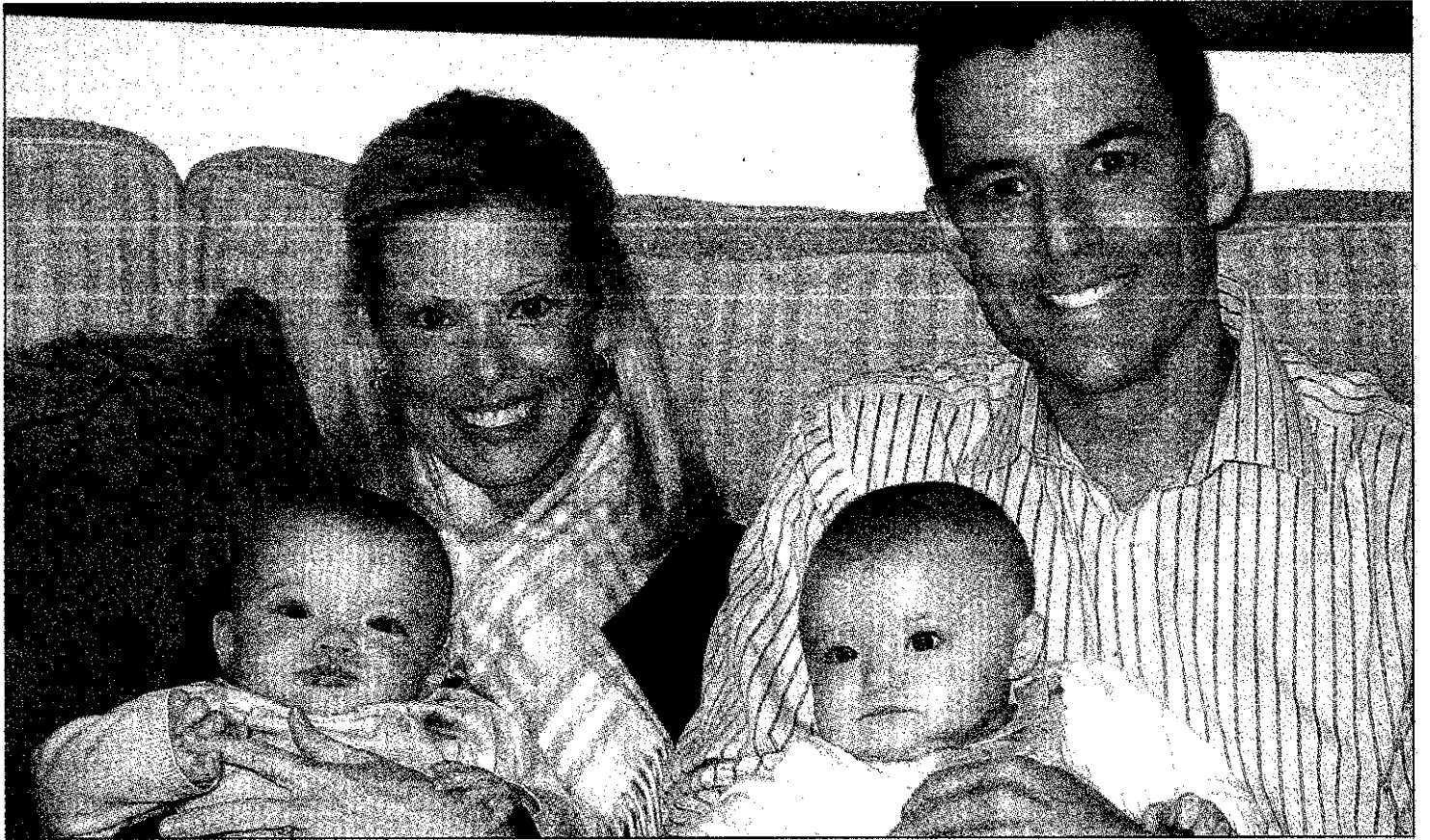
He spent those years as a member of ASU's School of Architecture that is highly influenced by Frank Lloyd Wright.

"Everyday I walked to class (at ASU), I was inspired," George said. "Many buildings on the ASU campus are influenced by Wright, which is one reason I decided to attend college there."

He spent some time in California after graduating from ASU before returning home.

It was in 1994 that he made a decision that would turn out to be one of his best.

"I told my parents, mother Christina Lovio-George and father Jack George, that I was going to move out to California," George said. "My mom asked me to work at her business, Lovio George, for a



PHOTOS COURTESY OF JOHN GEORGE

John George and wife, Heather, are the proud parents of twins, Jack, with mom, and Kate, with dad.

couple of months to earn some money I could use when I moved.

"I thought it would be a good move to make some money before making the big move."

Fifteen years later George is still at Lovio George and having the time of his life.

"It was the best decision career-wise I ever made," he said. "I'm having the time of my life. I can't believe 15 years have gone by, but they have and it's been a ton of fun."

George met his wife, Heather, at work and has made dozens of friends through his work relationships.

"Several of my neighbors are clients, which makes for some funny moments at home," he said. "I can be cutting my lawn and see a client walk by. I think that is pretty cool."

"I'm happy I made the move to Grosse Pointe. I liked Oakland County, but Grosse Pointe is a great place to raise a family and I'm only 15 minutes from work. That is nice."

George uses his degree every day on the job, utilizing his creativity to help company clients.

He was on the team that worked with the NFL during its preparations when Detroit hosted the Super Bowl a couple of years ago.

Other big events George has worked on include Detroit's Tricentennial in 2001 and the Ryder Cup.

During the tricentennial celebration, George helped coordinate the parade of Tall Ships when they arrived on the riverfront.

Events he handled included a television advertisement with

Motown legend Stevie Wonder, Red Wings legend Steve Yzerman and former Pistons All-Star Ben Wallace.

"Working with the likes of Stevie Wonder and Steve Yzerman were great," George said. "I have always been in awe of them and to get to work side by side was fantastic."

"They're larger than life and I had the chance to work with them. It was truly an honor."

George and his team won an Emmy Award for those two advertising spots.

He has also earned CADDY awards and MOBIUS International Advertising awards.

"I'm lucky to work with some very talented men and women on a daily basis," he said. "This company is not a one person show."

"We're a team and it's a team that gets the job done."

George gets the luxury of mixing work with a life-long passion, sports.

He played football, basketball, baseball and track during his four years at Lahser High School. His love of sports continues.

"I can't wait until I get to be that dad that plays catch with his kids," George said. "I hope my passion for sports rubs off on my kids."

"Sports is great for kids. It really kept me focused on school because I had to get good grades to play sports."

George, who enjoys golfing when he gets a chance, will have an opportunity to work with the PGA when the 90th PGA Championship comes to Oakland Hills Aug. 7 to Aug. 10.



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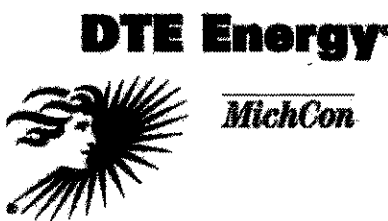
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TEA:
Tea brings
out town

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ed in his New York Times bestselling book, "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time," which he co-authored with journalist David Oliver Relin.

Many library staff members who read the book were inspired by his story and efforts.

"We wanted to find a way to help him," said Howbert. "That's when our director, Vickey Bloom, came up with the idea of having a tea as a fundraiser."

Bloom and the staff worked alongside the Friends of the Library and the Grosse Pointe Branch of the American Association of University

Women.

To keep overhead down, the three groups planned on making most of the treats served at the tea.

However, they hadn't planned on the positive response from the public. Many local residents, organizations and businesses donated their time, service and merchandise.

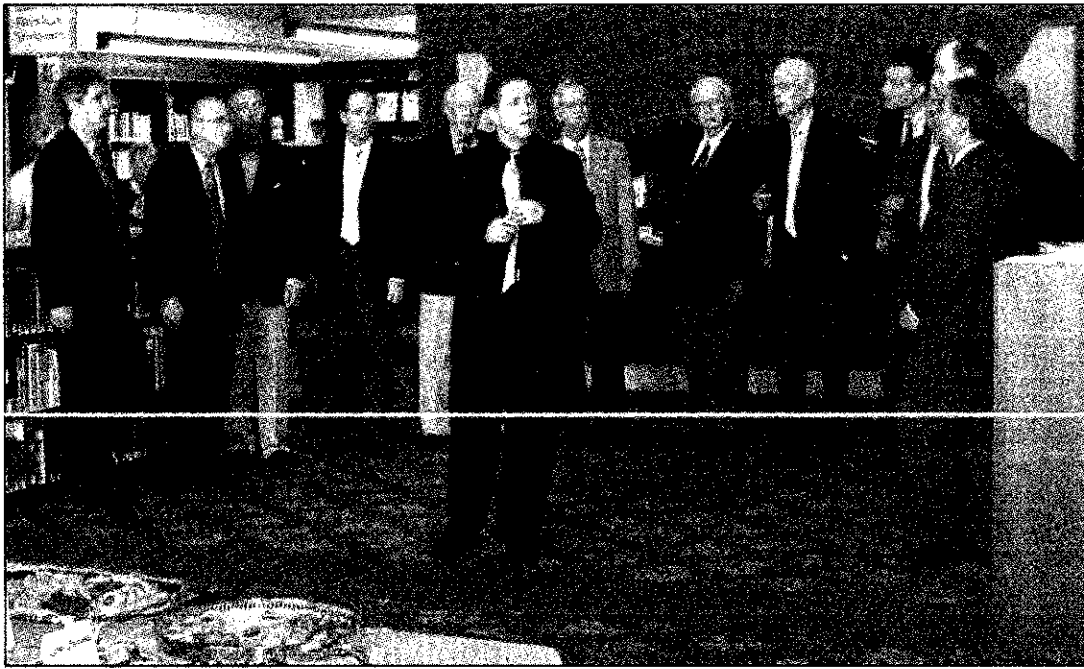
"It was truly a community affair," Howbert said.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial supplied the tablecloths, while Grosse Pointe Florist provided the floral centerpiece for the main buffet table.

Local bakeries — Just Delicious, Room for Desserts and Josef's — donated their culinary specialties.

Bigby Coffee gave an assortment of teas and Trader Joe's also provided tea and cookies.

Fresh Farms Market and Kroger provided punch ingredients to serve 200 people.



The Grosse Pointe singing group, The Grunions, entertained attendees of a benefit tea held in the main reading room of the Ewald branch library. The proceeds benefit the nonprofit Central Asia Institute.

Tea-goers were also entertained as they sipped tea and indulged on the delectable edibles.

PHOTO BY BETH QUINN

She commended the crew of Famous Maintenance, who donated their time to move all the equipment and furniture in and out of storage, and cleaned up after the tea.

The library staff was rewarded for their effort when they were rummaging through the Central storage room looking for sterling silver serving pieces used by the Friends years ago. They unearthed some hidden treasures.

"We were looking in the storage closet and we saw two large boxes that said, 'Save' on them," Bloom said. "We said 'It's got to be something good,' so we opened them and found two beautiful sterling silver punch bowls."

After a little bit of polishing, they looked brand new.

"It was perfect timing, we needed punch bowls for the tea," Bloom said.

Local teen service organizations wanted to help raise money for Central Asia Institute. The library's Teen Advisory Board worked with Grosse Pointe South's Key and Grosse Pointe North's Diversity and Impact clubs to put on a benefit rock concert which raised \$900.

The four groups spearheaded the Pennies for Peace program that circulated donation cans in local schools.

The library will be presenting Mortenson with a check during his Tuesday, May 6 talk sponsored by the library.

The donation will be the combined total of proceeds from the tea, rock concert, Pennies for Peace and from money raised by members of the local AAUW.

The Grosse Pointe String Trio provided background music while attendees visited with friends. The group is comprised of librarian Jaime Dabrowski on viola, Terese Edelstein on violin, and Sylvelyn Bowman on cello.

Afterward, the a cappella group, The Grunions, added "the icing on the cake."

"It all came together very well and we are so appreciative of the public's support," Bloom said.

While Ewald is a great space to hold such an event, moving and storing the computers and study tables caused "a little bit of trouble," Bloom said.

"The tables have the electrical wiring built into them, so removing them was a little tricky," Bloom said.



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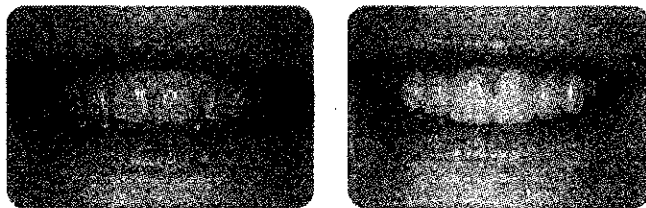
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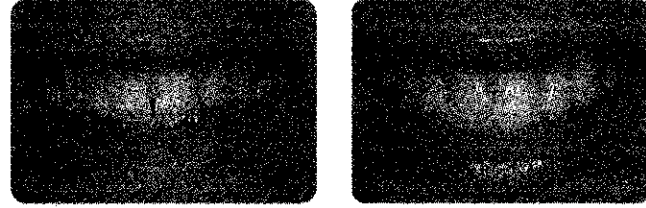
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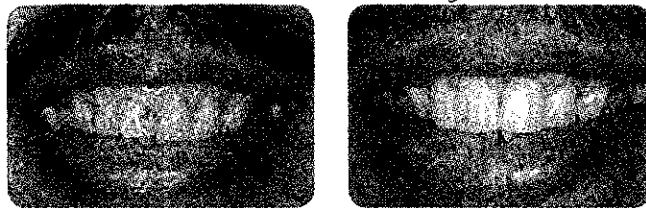
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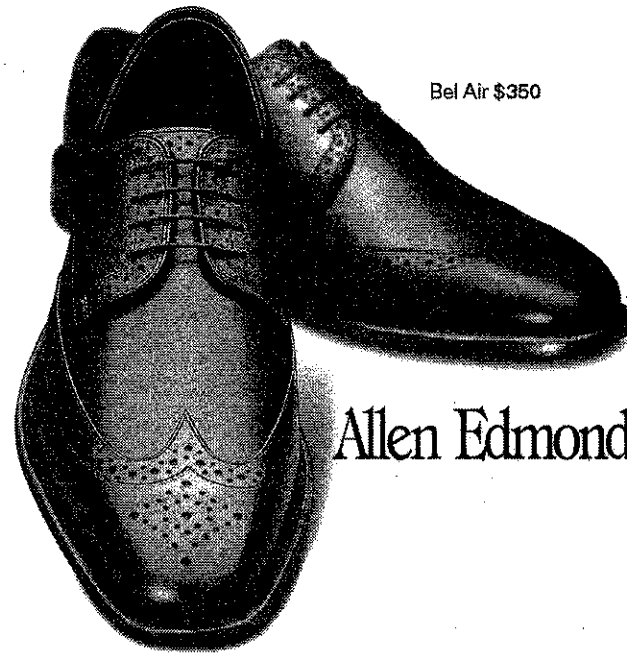
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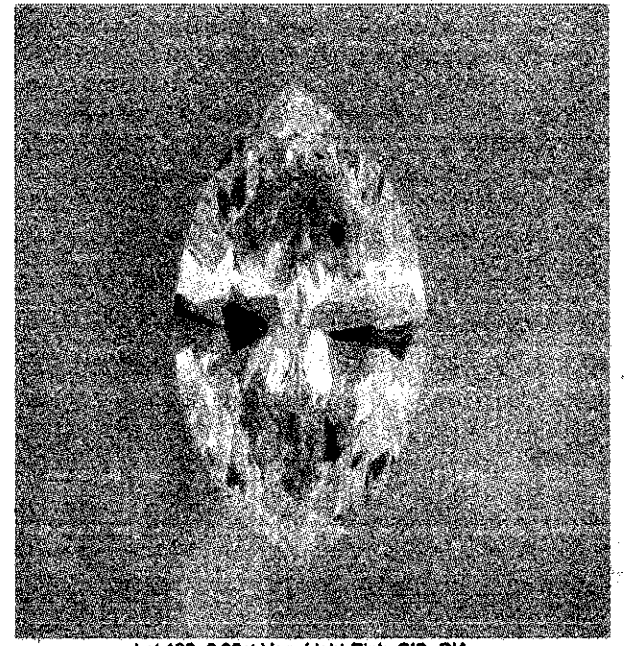
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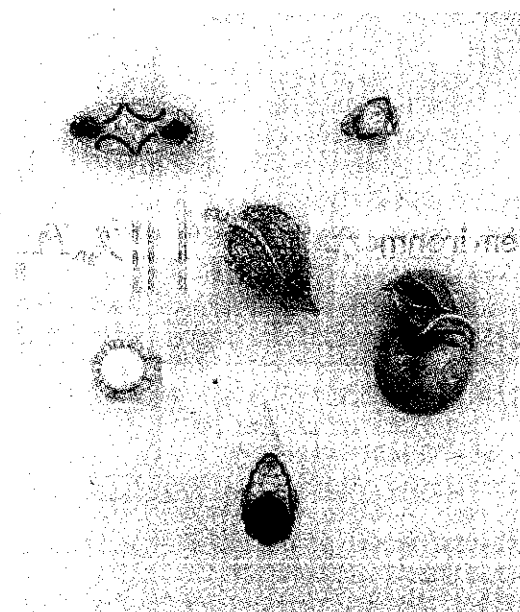
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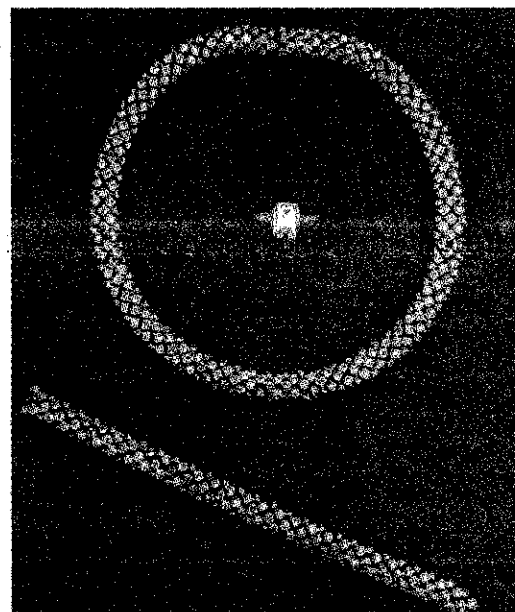
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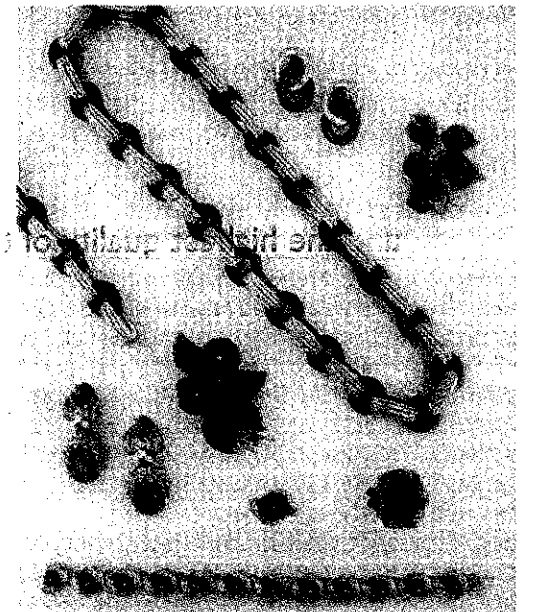
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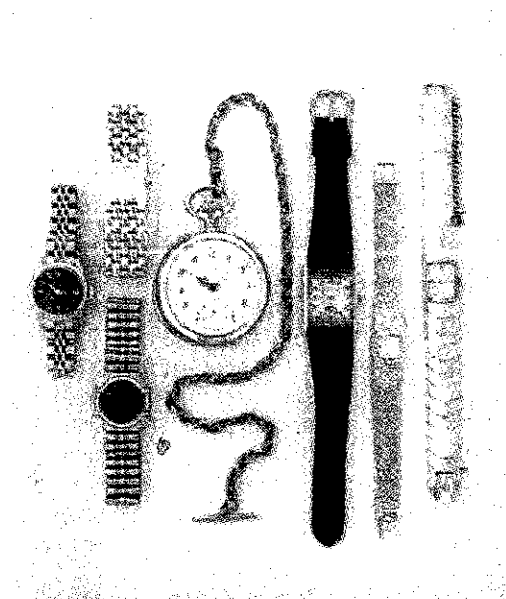
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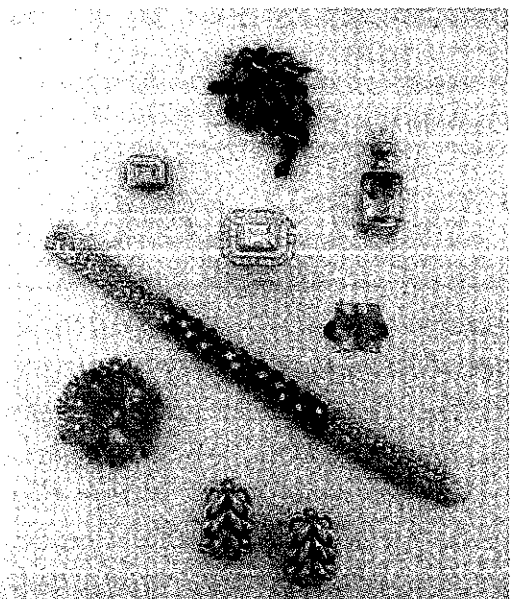
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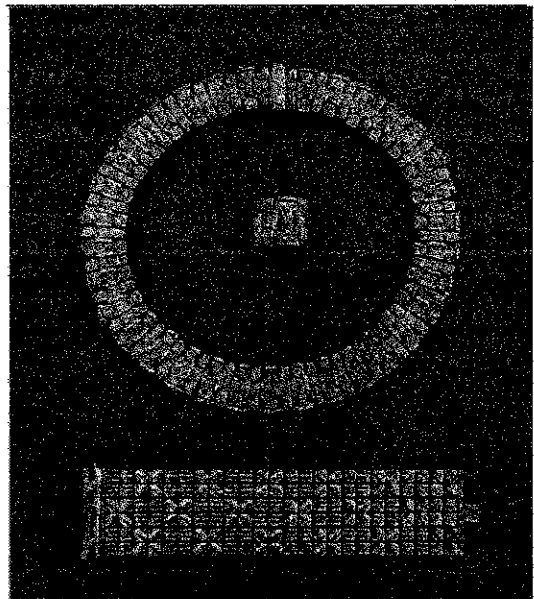
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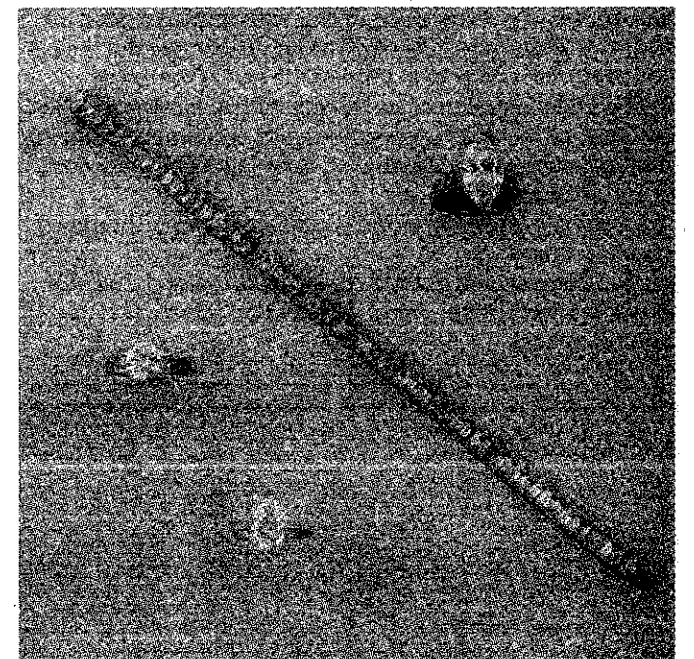
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Wind power generation

I was thinking about the power of the wind a few days ago as I relaxed in the cockpit of my humble sailing craft, which was tied up at a dock in the municipal marina in Corpus Christi, Texas. The wind was blowing steadily between 20 to 25 mph, with extended periods more than 30, and gusts well into the 40s. A nasty chop was building in our shallow bay and loose halyards were rattling against masts all over the marina. Prudent mariners remained in port. Better to stay tied to the dock and consider the enormous, unseen force of the wind moving across the sky. In spite of its invisibility, its power is immense. The physics is

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complicated, but the simple version is that the wind's power increases exponentially, rather than incrementally. You can easily convince yourself of this improbable fact by comparing a gentle voyage across a moderate 15 mph breeze with the behavior of your boat when the wind speed builds to 30.

In a world with a steadily draining gas tank and constantly increasing energy demands, why don't we do more to exploit the force of the wind? Efforts are being made. According to the American Wind Energy Association, by the end of 2007 wind power generation in the United States was enough to satisfy the electrical needs of 4.5 million households. The association believes that as much as 20 percent of America's electricity could be supplied by wind power.

And what's not to like about a source of energy that's inexhaustible, non-polluting, decentralized and secure? Plenty, apparently. New wind power projects invariably generate significant local resistance, reams of litigation, and hours of debate before the councils of government. The Cape Wind project is a classic example.

In 2001, developer Jim Gordon proposed a modest offshore wind farm in Nantucket Sound in Massachusetts to provide power to Cape Cod, which gets most of its energy from coal-fired plants. Unfortunately, the wind turbines will be visible on the far horizon from the summer homes of the rich and powerful on Cape Cod's South Shore.

They mobilized to battle the project at every turn, enjoying support from the highest levels of government, including Massachusetts Sen. Edward Kennedy and Gov. Mitt Romney. The fight continues today.

Here in South Texas we have our own version of Cape Wind: Two proposed wind farms on this gusty coast have encountered obdurate opposition from the famous and powerful King Ranch. At the moment the wind farms seem to be winning, but the resistance is formidable and determined.

Why do wind farms generate such spirited opposition? Some people complain that the turbines are an ugly blight on the landscape.

But this is a peculiar objection in light of the highly visible energy infrastructure that already surrounds us in the form of power poles and wires, electrical substations and, in places like Texas, the massive industrial structures of oil and gas platforms and refineries.

Compared to a drilling rig or oil pump, a gently revolving wind turbine is a thing of beauty.

Wind turbines do, no doubt, kill some birds and bats, but this is another odd complaint in light of the incalculable mortality wrought on the natural world by the rest of our vast industrial footprint.

I suspect that our reluctance to exploit wind powerfully is partly philosophical or, maybe, psychological. The history of civilization is the story of our subjugation of the natural world and its energy sources. We're used to taking what we want and using it as we choose.

The wind, however, blows on its own terms, at times and at speeds over which we have no control. This implies a need for innovative engineering and creative energy storage. But the exploitation of wind power also implies the end of the era of thoughtless consumption of seemingly infinite energy supplies.

The power of the wind is enormous, but harnessing it may require a challenging reconception of our relationship with our world's store of energy.

In fact, using the natural world on its terms may be harder than subjugating it.

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To the Editor:

This is in regards to Bill Kalmar's Guest Opinion, "Treading water not always best course," April 17 Grosse Pointe News.

Power to him for forging ahead where he was likely destined for worse circumstances than getting a "bridge burned."

As a member of the institution he alludes to in earlier days, I remember telling people 25 years ago that we were "getting too big for our britches" when the consolidation of similar institutions began in earnest.

Unlike Kalmar I hung in and by the grace of God, as I always put it, I was able to retire at the time I preferred rather than being given options that likely could've landed me in

the unemployment line.

I lost tons of friends and former really good and quality bosses. The word "loyalty" often popped up in a typical discourse with others who faced similar prospects and with family members who could've, or had been affected.

As with so many things gone by the proverbial wayside in eras past, most people were proud to be associated with their particular corporate logo. But pride, as with loyalty, hit the skids early on.

Now most of us can describe family members or friends who are caught up in all too familiar scenarios wherein tension in the workplace appears to dominate. Or where middle management appears not to have a clue as to what might comprise a workplace scene that engenders neither pride, loyalty nor

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even a flicker of good company morale.

Ask Mr. Kalmar to give us some detail into the workings of the Malcolm Baldrige

National Quality Award. I remember Bill from "the early days!"

TOM DE BOEVER
Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By Francis Shrum

The dirty work of cyberbullying

Cyber. The word doesn't mean anything by itself, but as a prefix it has changed the world.

Cyber Monday, Cyber Sunday, cyberlink, cyber-home, cyberpower, "Cyberchase," even something called cyberduck.

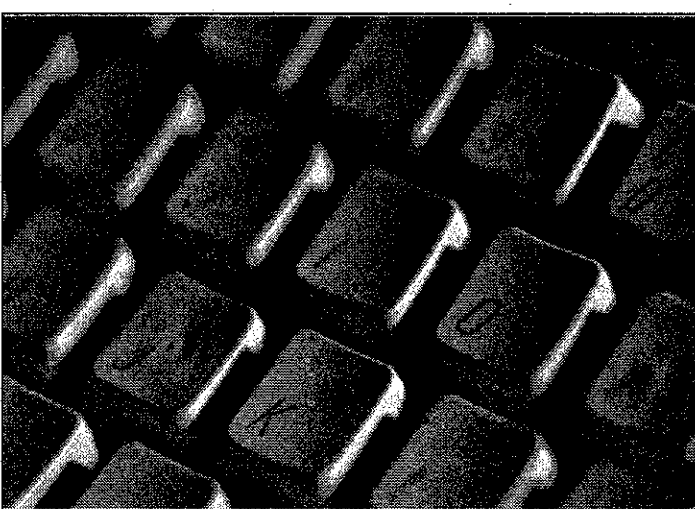
Cyber, as a prefix, pretty much indicates anything involving the interaction of humans with computers. Cybernetics is the study of the replacing humans with computers and other related machinations in the performance of activities associated with living.

Welcome to the world our kids are inheriting. I don't know how well we've prepared them for it, although our kids are way ahead of us in using computers and related electronic gadgetry to do their dirty work for them. And I do mean dirty work.

It's called cyberbullying. There have always been those among us who seek to prey on others weaker or with vulnerabilities, with evil intent and by utilizing whatever means is at hand. The less savory among our kids are using their cell phones, instant messaging, e-mail and the Internet to damage their peers. It gives the name cyberpunk a whole new meaning.

The big difference between being bullied on the playground and being bullied on the Internet, say the victims, is

that you can leave the playground and go home. It's a worldwide problem, according to Internet Safety News sponsored by the Center for Missing and Exploited Children. It is one of many groups and organizations dedicated to helping parents fight an enemy they can't see or touch.



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Cyberbullying involves the use of information and technology to publish defamatory personal Web sites and online personal polling Web sites, and utilize other electronic

media to support conscious, deliberate, repeated and hostile behavior toward others.

Young girls are, of course, primary among those targeted. Parents may feel safe because their daughter is safely closeted from harm in her own bedroom. Don't bet on it.

According to a survey by Girl Scouts USA, of 1,000 girls polled between the ages of 13 and 18, 30 percent said they've been approached sexually in an online chat room — and I don't mean innocent flirtation. I'm talking really dirty behavior,

from outright solicitation to sexual insults.

Of those girls, only 7 percent said they told their parents, and 30 percent said they didn't tell anyone. That's scary.

Recently, Business Week took an in-depth look at the dark side of the Internet, according to ISN's Anne Collier. Five reporters spent four months visiting seedier sites and found that "the Underground Web is bigger, broader, scarier and more damaging than most people realize." The cyberwaves are awash with gambling, drugs, child porn and predators, money scams and identity thieves.

Though the Internet has much of value to offer, navigating these enticing yet dangerous byways requires more than a little bit of street smarts, they concluded.

Not surprisingly, researchers say the best way to deal with this sort of thing is simply getting away and staying away from sources of cyberbullying. Just hang up. Don't respond to harassing e-mails, messages and postings. Close your account and get a new one, and be careful to whom you give your address. As for damaging Web sites, notify your Internet service provider and law enforcement.

When it comes to cyber-abuse, the best way to shut it down is to shut it off.

Francis Shrum is a columnist for King Features

I SAY By Ann Fouty

Back off black cars and red ones, too



I'm going to stay away from black cars, just as years ago I gave wide berth to red and white cars.

According to The Old Farmer's 2008 Almanac which quoted the Insurance.com, black cars are driven by an "aggressive personality or someone who's an outsider or rebel."

I translate that to mean someone who is barreling through yellow almost red

lights, making illegal U turns, traveling more than 10 miles more than the speed limit and just your basic "I'm in a hurry" type personality. Those drivers are the ones who inch into the intersection during the 30 to 36 seconds of a red light because it means he will beat me to the next red light. It means those drivers might be more dangerous to be around.

Two friends of mine drive black cars. I would agree that they are aggressive when they get behind the wheel, but I still ride in their cars. They have been known to slip through yellow lights, yell at slow drivers and one does pound on the steering wheel.

In my humble opinion, that assessment is on the money.

Many years ago I read Stephen King's novel, "Christine."

Arnie Cunningham purchased and repaired a red and white 1958 Fury. It had a nasty personality which was spotlighted when people connected with Arnie were mysteriously dying. The book creeped me out. For weeks after reading that book I would keep my distance from red cars and in particular white cars. I had no urge to get too close.

Now I find there was little reason for me to be cautious of them. This scientific study, done in Great Britain, puts red and white cars at the bottom of the list.

White cars come in No. 9 on the aggressive driver personal-

ity list; while red car drivers are seventh.

Those who drive white cars, the study said, are status-seeking extrovert drivers.

The only white car I drove was a 1960something Falcon. Once the windshield wipers were on, I hoped the rain would last until I reached my destination.

To get the driver's side window up was a test of patience and strong fingers. With a firmly set jaw, I would crank the handle (a thing of the past) and hope the glass would come up far enough to grasp.

While tugging and pulling on the glass, I still had to turn the handle. The most oft used option during hot summer nights was to roll down the back win-

dows and call it good.

As we all know, you can't drive around without music. In the Falcon's case, the radio brought in about three stations during the day and four at night. The first half an hour was fine.

The local station came in, after that we pounded to the beat, literally. Either the passenger or I would pound a couple times on the dash every few minutes to keep the radio playing.

When I think back on that economy-sized car, it was a great little car. The only status I sought was having wheels to get me to my friends' homes.

My daughter drives a green car, which comes in third in this study. It's the choice of

people who have hysterical tendencies. I don't put much stock in this because my daughter didn't have a choice in choosing the color. Hysterical, she's not. Thus, I will disallow this portion of the study.

A P.S. to the study, since the survey of 130,000 insurance claims was conducted in Great Britain, the results might not hold true in the United States.

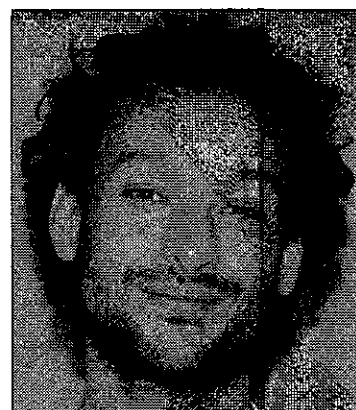
To err on the side of caution, watch out — I drive a red car and it comes in seventh on the personality list.

It could very well mean I'm full of zest, energy and drive and the driver thinks, moves and talks quickly. Or it could mean, I'm late for work, so step aside.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

If you owned a boat what would you name it and why?

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 would name it Buster after my basset hound because he is one of my most cherished friends.'

MARTIN ANAND
Grosse Pointe Park



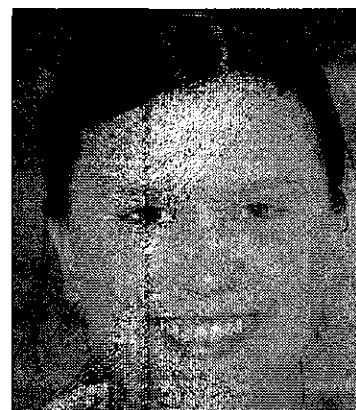
'I would name my boat Shaney, in honor of my dog who passed away, because she loved the water.'

EVELYN WOODMAN
Grosse Pointe Park



'I think Sea Monkey would be a great name for my boat because I love being out on the water and in the water.'

LIZZIE HELLER
Grosse Pointe Farms



'Probably Penny Luke after my two dogs, one is a cocker spaniel poodle mix and the other is a chi-huahua, because a boat would be as much fun as they are.'

CARRIE MORAWSKI
Grosse Pointe Woods



'I was close with my grandparents who passed away so I would use their initials and last name, J.D. Kennedy. That would be a nice way to remember them.'

EMILY D'ARCA
Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By Paul Kersey

My union dues paid for that?

Across the state of Michigan thousands of workers pay millions of dollars in union dues annually. These funds are intended to ensure that workers get good representation in the workplace.

But these funds can be wasted, sometimes on union political activism that workers may not support and sometimes on account of dishonest or incompetent union leadership.

Defenders of the status quo in Michigan, where workers may be forced to join or pay dues to a union as a term of employment, often presume that workers almost always benefit from union representation.

They rarely offer supporting evidence of their assumption that union officials are models of unfailing competence and unimpeachable good faith.

While many union officials are scrupulous and work hard to protect their members' interests, there are union locals in Michigan where dues and trust have been squandered.

A few examples:

◆ Last year the Laborers International Union forced Local 334 in Detroit to merge with another Laborers local. A Mackinac Center report showed that Local 334 had been plagued with election violations and forced to rerun officer elections on two separate occasions. It has also been defrauded of more than \$90,000 and found responsible for an unfair labor practice costing the local \$75,000 in back pay to six workers.

In short, between 1999 and 2007, Detroit-area construction workers were forced to pay dues to a union that was wracked by infighting and labor law violations, and victimized by fraud.

◆ Members of the Administrative Professionals Association, an affiliate of the Michigan Education Association union that represents noninstructional staff at Michigan State University, have alleged numerous violations of the union's charter and bylaws by its chairman. The APA Watch Group, formed by

members of the union, argues that elections to the local's executive board were tainted by a confusing ballot and improper use of the APA's e-mail address list, ensuring the reelection of incumbent leaders.

The APA Watch Group also questions the use of e-mail on a contract ratification vote where the local bylaws call for voting by regular mail.

MSU staff is obligated to pay dues to a union whose leadership they believe disregards union rules and avoids accountability. At this writing, the parent union, another recipient of forced dues, has yet to take decisive action to rein in local officials.

◆ Brad Harper, treasurer of American Federation of Government Employees Local 1629 in Battle Creek, was sentenced to 14 months in prison and ordered to pay \$75,000 in restitution after pleading guilty to making a false statement on a financial report. According to Mildred Holmes, a U.S. Department of Labor investigator in the Detroit office, the conviction stems from

Harper's misuse of local union funds and a union credit card.

Fortunately, Harper was caught, but the inability of individual members to withhold dues, combined with lax financial accounting rules, makes unions a natural target for embezzlement.

◆ A recent report published in the Battle Creek Enquirer detailed how International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 445 officials hounded Buist Electric, a non-union contractor that had submitted the low bid on a public school project.

For nearly two years the union directed dozens of inquiries to the Lakeview school district and Buist, picketed the work site, filed several Freedom of Information Act requests and demanded to review Buist's payroll records directly, ostensibly based on the suspicion that Buist was violating the state's prevailing wage law.

Ultimately, Local 445 filed an allegation of prevailing wage violation with the Department of Labor and Economic

Growth. After a two-year legal and public relations effort by Local 445, DLEG found one Buist employee on the school project was underpaid by \$10.56.

This wild goose chase, funded by IBEW member dues, ended with a nonunion contractor found liable for a trivial violation. It is quite likely that the union spent more than \$10.56 pursuing Buist.

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may not support and sometimes on account of dishonest or incompetent union leadership.

Because unionized workers in Michigan generally cannot withhold their dues without putting their jobs at risk, those employees and their dues are particularly vulnerable to waste, fraud and abuse.

A Michigan right-to-work law would correct this flaw, make union officials more accountable to the men and women they represent, and make for more honest and capable union leadership.

Paul Kersey is director of labor policy at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, a research and educational institute based in Midland.

GUEST OPINION By Don Flood

Be an armchair travel writer

One of the main reasons camping remains popular is it allows people to put their daily routine behind them — to become reacquainted with nature, to leave behind the trivialities of modern life and to enjoy the simple pleasures of high speed Wi-Fi Internet access.

That's right. Wi-Fi access is becoming standard in many of our nation's state parks. You may still have trouble with critters sneaking into your food — many animals, unfortunately, continue to roam the parks as if they own the place — but at least you won't have to miss the latest YouTube clips.

Camping first became popular in the early 1900s, before the Internet, which meant that people sat around a lot getting on each other's nerves.

Even today, with Wi-Fi becoming more common, trouble and even tragedy can strike campers searching for ways to while away the hours. In one extreme case, a father was caught in the act of attempting to lead his kids in a round of campfire songs, which he claimed was a "fun family activity." Fortunately, the authorities stepped in before any harm came to the children, who had protected themselves by listening to their iPods.

But this example shows the

dangers of traveling, which is why I was glad to read about a new book coming out — this is true — entitled "Do Travel Writers Go to Hell?"

Apparently not. In fact, they don't necessarily go anywhere. Here's the sensible approach that Thomas Kohnstamm, a travel writer for the popular Lonely Planet guidebooks, took to one South American assignment. This is great news because I like the idea of being a travel writer, but not so much the travel itself, especially to countries where people can't be bothered to learn English properly. Travel tip: If speaking English louder doesn't work, try talking with an accent —

any foreign accent will help.

It's not that I'm against travel. It's just that if I'm writing about the jungles of the Amazon or the mountains of Tibet, I'd prefer doing it in a place like San Francisco, where I can enjoy good restaurants while I look up the basic information on Wikipedia.

I could even write about Katmandu — wherever that is — while staying in an American campground, as long as it had high-speed Internet access.

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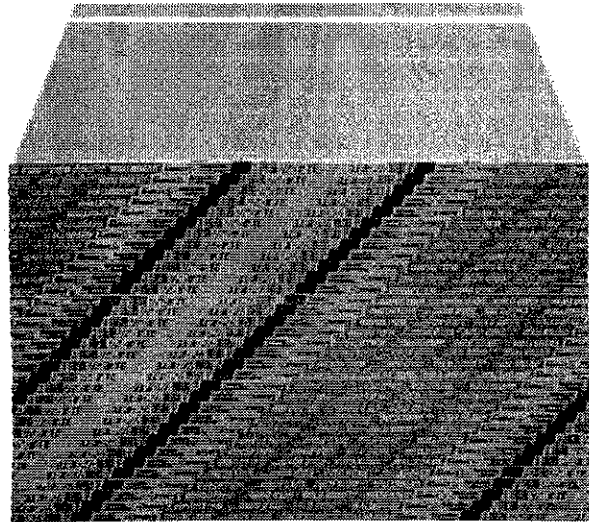
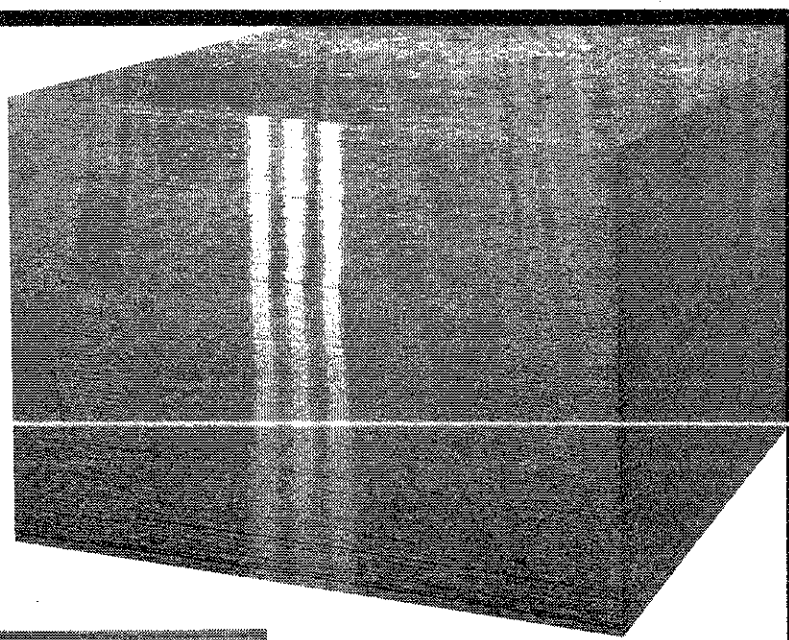
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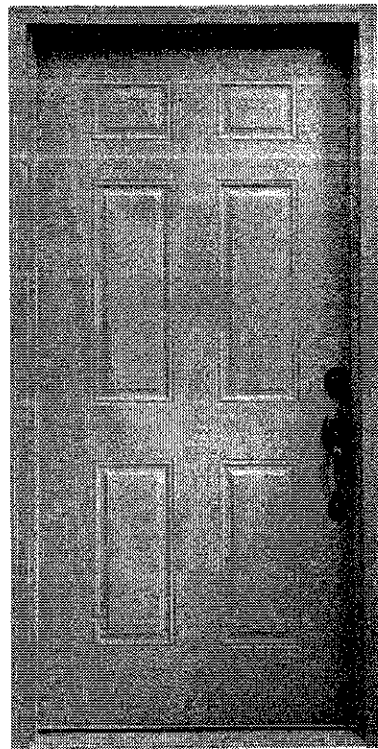
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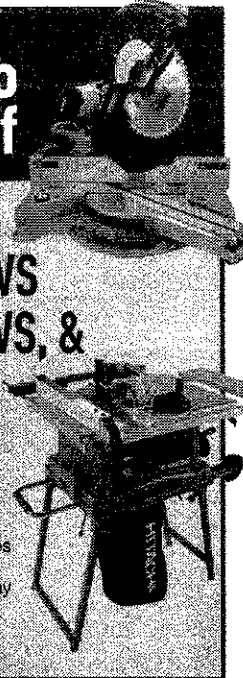
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WEEK AHEAD:

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

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Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.
♦ 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.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

♦ "Let's Keep Children's Sports in Perspective" will be addressed by sports psychiatrist Mike Miletic, M.D., at 7 p.m. in the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. His presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. For reservations, call (586) 779-6111, ext. 4.
♦ The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School hosts "South Beach," the 2008 Spring Benefit Luncheon and Fashion Show from noon to 3 p.m. in South's gym, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. To buy a luncheon or raffle ticket, call Suzanne Clem at (313) 885-1394 or Mollie Sterr at (313) 886-6437.
♦ The Grosse Pointe North High School choir has a fundraiser at TCBY, 20385 Mack. A flyer must accompany each purchase during the day. For more information, call Jill Wruble at (586) 306-7114.
♦ The Family Center's Play Central meets for its last session from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Neighborhood Club.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

♦ The Family Center's Play Central meets for its last session from 9 to 11 a.m. at First English Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

THURSDAY, MAY 1

♦ Grosse Pointe South High School's all-school musical, "Les Miserables" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets are available at Posterity, A Gallery in the Village of Grosse Pointe, 17005 Kercheval.

DDA: Financing upgrades

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Under state law, the council must now wait at least 60 days before taking the matter up again. As it stands now, the earliest the council could consider future action is at its July meeting. If the city decides to move forward, the council could approve an ordinance approving the DDA. Mayor Dale Scrase would appoint, at the concurrence of the council, a DDA board to work with the council in planning the activities of the DDA.

Development of a DDA plan is not expected to be completed until the end of the year.

Fuel prices set new record

The average price of motor fuel in Michigan rose 8.8 cents per gallon in mid-April, establishing a new record for the state, according to AAA.

The previous record of \$3.499 was set on May 29, 2007. The current statewide average is \$3.522, 74.2 cents per gallon higher than last year at this time.

The average for self-serve regular is up 13.6 cents in metro Detroit in mid-April, with the average at \$3.534 per gallon. The Metro Detroit average was 75.1 cents per gallon higher than last year at this time.

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G. P. PARK

Putting down roots

By Beth Quinn
Staff Writer

In recent weeks, residents have seen new trees planted in the easement. Plantings were done by the city's forestry department.

"This spring, we planted 64 trees as part of a \$20,000 state grant from the department of natural resources," said Brian Colter, the Park's city forester.

The city is using the funds to replace the trees lost to disease in recent years, he said.

"Southeast Michigan has had to cut down millions of trees due to diseases like Dutch elm and emerald ash borer," Colter said. "We lost almost 1,000 ash trees alone in Grosse Pointe Park city's easements. The number probably doubles if one counts the number lost on residents' private property."

To prevent the loss of one specimen in the future, a variety of trees have been planted.

"I'm stressing diversity in the trees for the city," Colter said.

The city has purchased the Valley Forge elm for its similarity to the American elm that fell victim to Dutch elm disease.

"I like the Valley Forge very much," Colter said. "It's fast growing and mimics the old American elm in shape and size, but most importantly it seems to be resistant to Dutch elm."

The forestry department has also planted ginkgo, ornamental pear, serviceberry, crimson king maple and locust trees around town.

For the ninth time in 10 years, the National Arbor Day Foundation awarded the Park with its 2007 Growth Award in addition to being designated by the foundation as a Tree City U.S.A. for 25 consecutive years.

"The award is a result of the last bond issue passed," Colter said. "It gave us more money for tree removal and planting."

He added that the Park is participating in the United Nations Billion Tree Campaign which is a worldwide "response to the global climate change challenge and to the restoration of biodiversity."

Chocolate cake recipe contest

Bakers are being asked to share their best chocolate cake recipe with The Henry Ford.

To gear up for the arrival of "Chocolate: The Exhibition," the museum is hosting a chocolate cake bake-off contest. The winner's recipe will be featured in the Henry Ford Museum's Chocolate Café from May 31-Sept. 7.

Contestants may enter their best recipes through May 15 via e-mail at publicrelations@thehenryford.org. Four finalists will participate in a live competition in Henry Ford Museum Thursday, May 29. A panel of local celebrity judges will taste all four entries and select the winning recipe. Complete rules and information may be found at thehenryford.org.

Chocolate: The Exhibition opens Saturday, May 31, and blends interactive displays, artifacts and pop culture icons to examine the plant, the products, the history and the culture of chocolate through the lenses of botany and ecology, anthropology and economics, conservation and popular culture.

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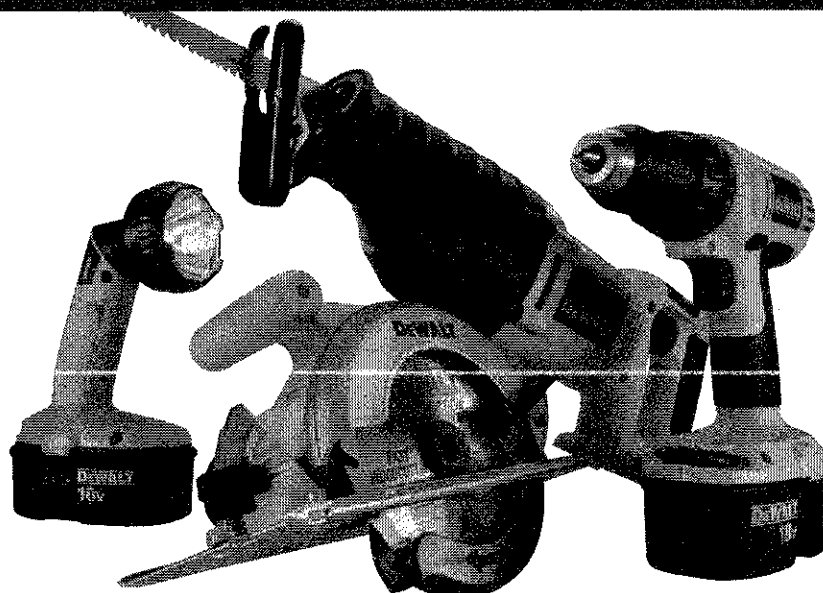
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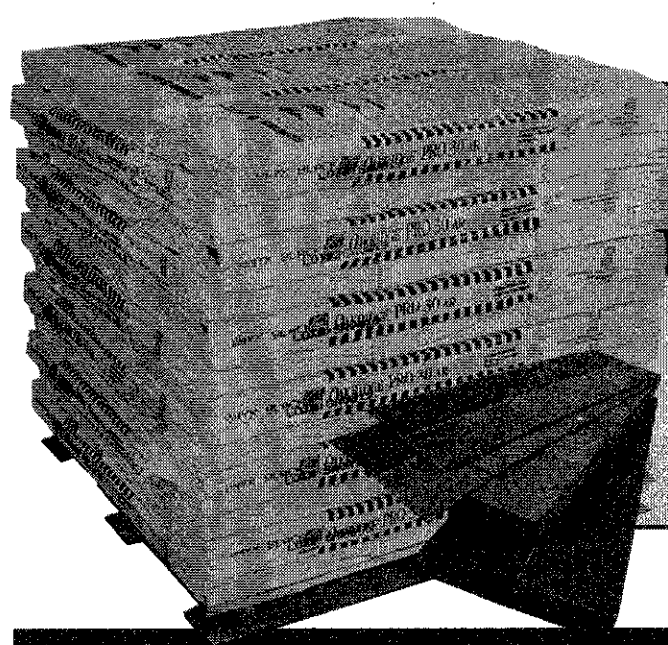
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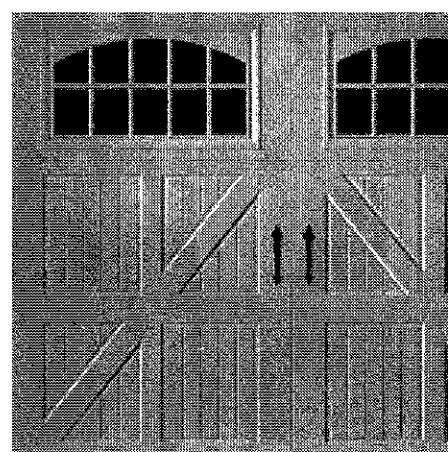
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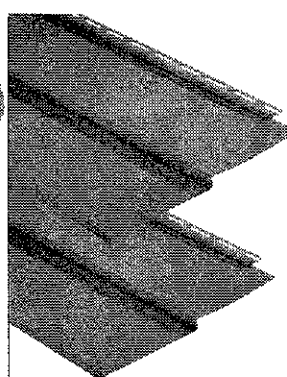
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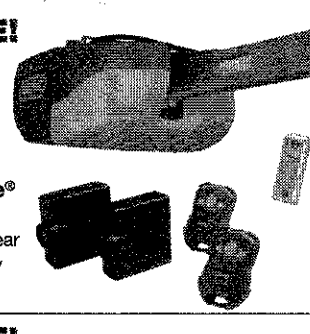
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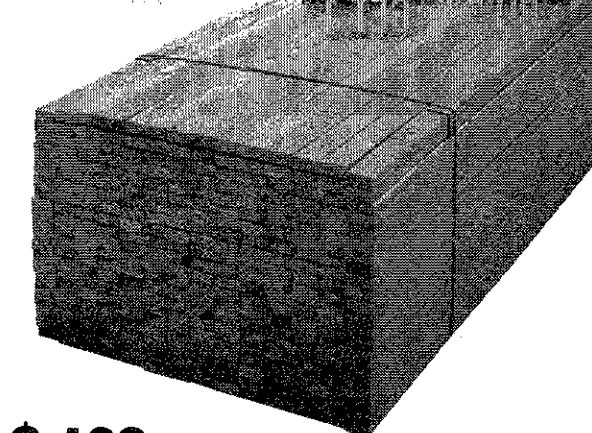
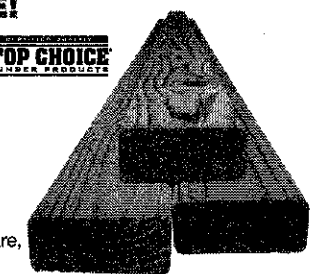
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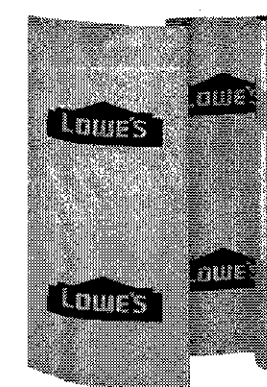
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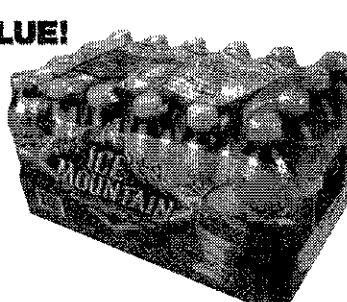
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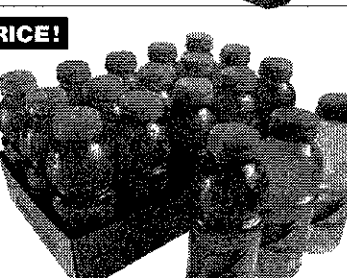
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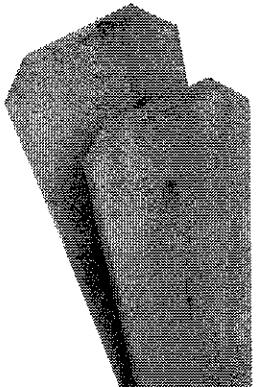
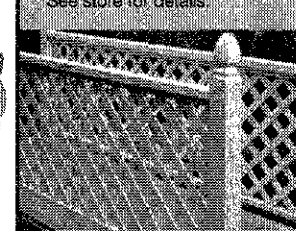
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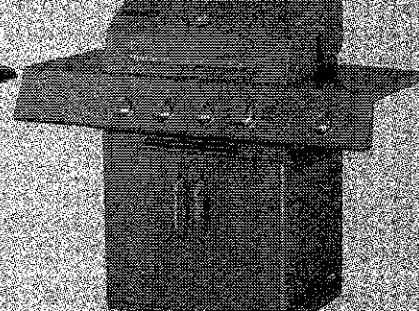
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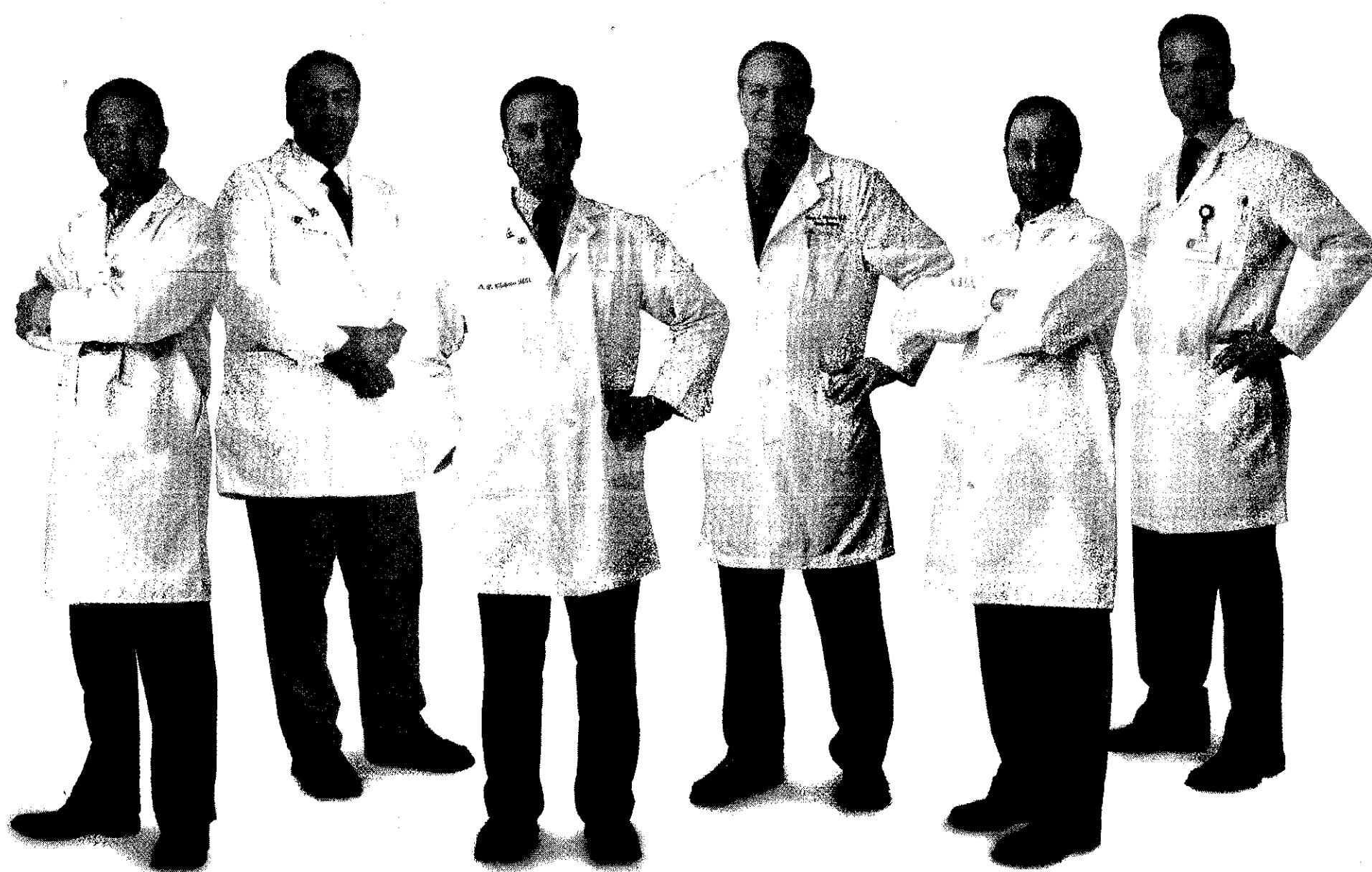
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MONTEITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Teacher, students celebrate Earth Day

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Monteith Elementary School first-grade teacher Elizabeth Wang taught her students valuable lessons about Earth Day.

"We are becoming friends with the Earth," Wang said. "We have to take good care of our planet and we're doing our best to learn important things to do to get this done."

Wang stressed to her students the three R's of Earth Day: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

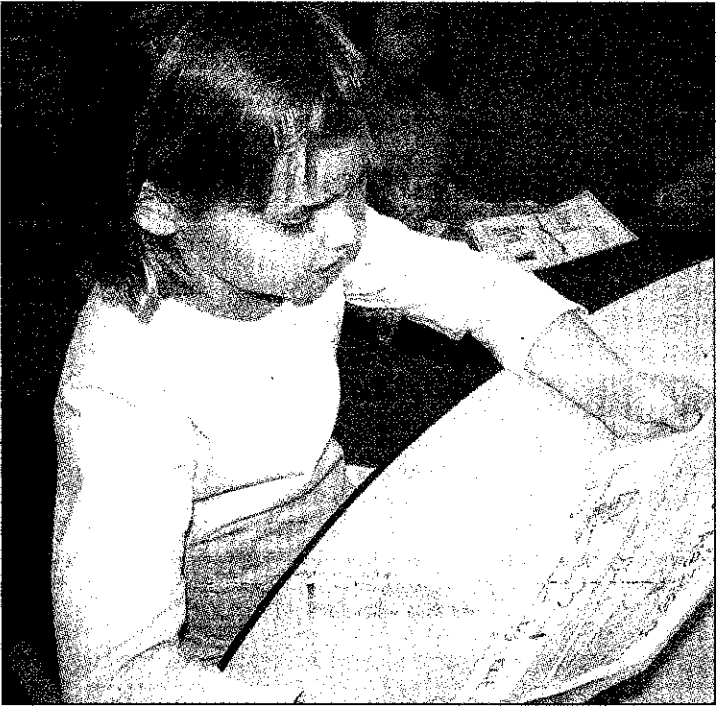
Students learned a little science during the lesson. They learned that they need trees on the Earth, which produce oxygen so they can breathe.

In turn, Wang taught the students that they give off carbon dioxide every time they breathe, which trees use to help produce more oxygen.

"We want the children to understand how important the Earth is, even at this age," Wang said. "We had fun with Earth Day."

Shawna Foster and several others brought craft kits. Foster works with Arts and Scraps, which uses recycled items that are turned into craft items for people to use, such as paper and stickers.

"Earth Day is when you try to keep the world clean," Foster told the students. "If everyone does something to help the Earth, it will help a lot."



PHOTOS BY BOB ST. JOHN

First-grade teacher Elizabeth Wang, right, gives first-grade student Rafael Segovia encouragement after he read his assignment to the class. First-grader Sara Schaden, left, reads her assignment about Earth Day.

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GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Construction bids fly

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Construction bids are flying off Chris Fenton's fax machine.

The latest bids were for fire alarms at Grosse Pointe North High School, univents at Brownell Middle School and classroom remodeling at Brownell.

Fenton, assistant superintendent of business and support services, received nine bids for the fire alarm project. He recommended a \$175,441.66 bid from Electronic Safety Services,

which was the lowest.

Other bids were submitted by McNulty Electric Inc., \$193,000; Envision Electric Contracting LLC, \$270,430; Great Lakes Power & Lighting, \$283,000; Maryland Electric Co. Inc., \$285,250; Shoreview Electric, \$309,000; EI Electric Company, \$314,000; Metro Electric Heating & Insulation, \$342,000; and J & J Electric Inc., \$354,000.

The budgeted amount for this project is \$205,000, which will be paid for through the district's Sinking Fund. The total cost, including miscellaneous

amounts, is \$202,741.66.

The project is for installation of new fire alarm panels, pull stations, audio visual strobes and up-to-date technical and barrier-free compliant systems.

Also included in the bid is a three-year maintenance agreement.

The project has been coordinated with the state fire marshal and will bring the school up to the current local and state codes and standards, Fenton said.

Renaissance Construction Group's \$41,800 bid to remodel the life skills classroom at Brownell was also recommended by Fenton.

Other bids were submitted by Woods Construction, \$51,437; The Monahan Company, \$51,700; Bernco Inc., \$62,395 and EBI Detroit Inc., \$68,000.

The total cost of the project, paid for through the Sinking Fund, is \$45,935.

The cost includes demolition and remodeling to create a regular classroom and erecting a wall in the vacated science room to create two classroom spaces.

The space will be used for math, social studies and life skills instruction, Fenton added.

Fenton received two bids for the univent project, which he said were too high and wanted board of education members to reject them.

R.W. Mead & Sons' \$697,000 bid and the \$741,564 bid of Denny's Heating, Cooling & Refrigeration were submitted.

"We are not comfortable with the prices quoted and are recommending rejection of these bids at this time," Fenton said in a memo to board members.

The project replaces the unit ventilators and piping in the A wing classrooms on the first and second floor, excluding the science labs, Fenton said.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



PHOTO BY JEF FISK

South presents Les Mis

Grosse Pointe South drama students present Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables," with several performances slated for 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 24; 8 p.m., Friday, April 25; 8 p.m., Saturday, April 26; 3 p.m., Sunday, April 27; 7:30 p.m., Thursday, May 1; 8 p.m., Friday, May 2; 8 p.m., Saturday, May 3; and 3 p.m., Sunday, May 4. The play is presented at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets for the main floor are \$15 and \$10 for balcony seating or \$9 for seniors and students. Tickets are available at Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Call Jenny Train at (313) 884-8539 for group sales or more information. Pictured above are students, from left, Lily Parker, Amanda Harvey, Kathleen Weston, J.J. Beach, Kyla Kools, Maggie Kelch, Allyson Webb, Bridget Doyle, Sean Buckley, Brittany Bachteal, Maggie Leins and Elizabeth Connolly-Ng during a recent dress rehearsal.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Students to be honored at WSU

Six Grosse Pointe South students will be honored for their success on the National German Exam at a luncheon at Wayne State University.

They are seniors Catherine Zettner, Alexander Cha, Benjamin Smith and Marisa Gavel, junior Mark Rozny and sophomore Ethan Madison.

During the luncheon, members of the Michigan Chapter

of the American Association of Teachers of German will be honoring all students who scored at or above the 90th percentile on the National German Test this year.

They will receive medals from the national organization and prizes from the local chapter, they are also eligible to compete for a summer study trip in Germany.

An additional 14 students from South received Certificates of Merit. They are Krista Solem, Michele Miller, Catherine Lucander, Leo Hall, Victoria Spangler, Adriano Bresnan, Alexander Turin, Madeline Whims, Rebecca Berger, Jeannie Frisby-Zedan, Hannah Domin, Maria Marino, John Francis Gies and Scott Wilkins.



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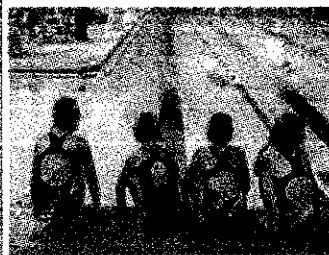
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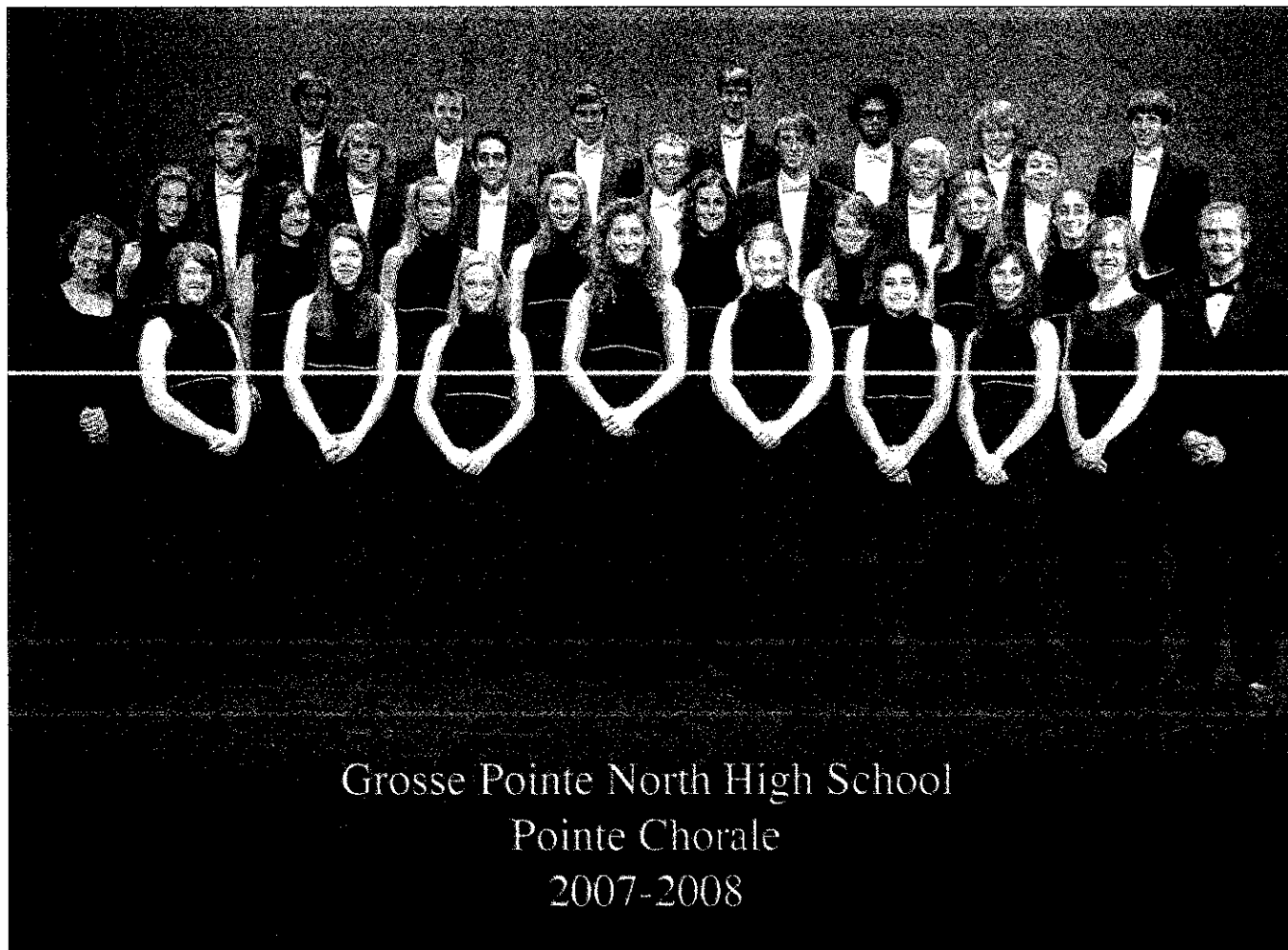
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GROSSE POINTE NORTH



Grosse Pointe North High School
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Choirs rock

On April 8 and 9, 80 Grosse Pointe North choir members sang as part of the Michigan School Vocal Music Association State Solo & Ensemble Festival at the Flint Institute of Music. Six large ensembles, two small ensembles and 20 soloists participated with every event earning medals for an excellent (I) or good (II) rating for their performance. Soloists and ensembles earning excellent ratings were Lindsay Cameron, Nick Doyle, Joanna Harr, Myra Lamphier, Tim Lupo, Katie Maggart, Jack Martin, Ana Meda, Erin O'Donnell, Caitlin Siluk, Claire Tallerico, Scalvini Quartet, Strickland Duet, AcaFella, Bei Cantiamo, Choraliers, Freshman Choir and Pointe Chorale. Earning good ratings were Julia Boury, Alex Brennan, Nick Hinz, Natalie Hogan, Rhochelle Krawetz, Kristine Minturn, Nathan Stickland, Matthew Vengalil and the concert choir. Additionally, AcaFella (conducted by Jed Scott) and Pointe Chorale were selected as finalists to be considered for performance at a special invitational concert as part of the Michigan Youth Arts Festival in May. Only six ensembles were selected from more than 75 at the festival. The Grosse Pointe North choirs are directed by Mandy Scott and accompanied by Cheryl Faba. Their achievements at solo and ensemble competitions continue a particularly successful year which has included being selected as one of the top 100 music programs among more than 20,000 music programs nationwide by the Grammy Foundation and a recent gala performance at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY

School appoints new principal

The Grosse Pointe Academy appointed Jennifer J. Kendall as the new early and lower school through grade 3 principal beginning July 1.

Kendall is currently principal of Godwin Elementary School in Midland Park, New Jersey, a New York City suburb.

She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and holds an M.A. from Caldwell College in curriculum and instruction and an Ed.M. in organization and leadership from Teachers College Columbia University.

She has 10 years experience in the educational field. In addition to her current principal position, Kendall was a director of curriculum and staff development and a technology coordinator.

She will be working closely with Camille DeMario, who is stepping down as principal after 39 years of service. She plans to further her understanding of Montessori applications for children age 2 through kindergarten at the academy.

Kendall will be moving to



Jennifer J. Kendall

Grosse Pointe this summer with her husband and two young children.

Phil Demartini, head of school, said he is looking forward to the contributions Kendall will bring to the Academy in her new role.

Kendall will be on campus several times before the end of the school year, including during the academy's upcoming open house from 1 to 3 p.m., Sunday, April 20.

GROSSE POINTE COMMUNITIES

Students honored for writing skills

Several students from schools in the five Grosse Pointes were recently recognized for their entries in the 17th Annual Detroit Free Press Writing Awards competition.

More than 3,100 entries were received.

Grosse Pointe recipients are: Samantha Kiriazis and Tristan Mora, both students at Parcels Middle School received Awards of Excellence in the junior division poetry category.

Tori Wuthrich, who attends Our Lady Star of the Sea, received an Award of Commendation in the same category.

Edward Berkowski, a student at Pierce Middle School, received an Award of Excellence in the junior division essay category.

Erin Garbarino, of Grosse Pointe South received honorable mention in the senior division poetry category.

Several Grosse Pointe South High School students received awards in the journalism division.

Daniel Dickson and Sarah Siwak received awards of commendation for news writing; Rian Dawson received an honorable mention for news writing; Charlotte Berschback and Mary Biglin received awards of excellence for feature writing and Megan Ryan received an award of commendation for feature writing.

Tommy Pendy received an award of commendation for sports writing. Receiving awards of excellence for opinion writing are Tesha Kondrat and Michelle R. Martinelli.

Students excel

Grosse Pointe South students performed in the recent Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association competition held at Warren Woods Tower High School.

The symphony band, performing a program that included works by Ralph Vaughan Williams, Eric

Whitacre and Robert W. Smith, received straight 1st Division (excellent) ratings and qualified for the state festival.

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New to community

ShowHouse Interiors was officially welcomed to the Grosse Pointe Woods business community with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Friday, April 4. The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce sponsored the event for new owners, Jeannine White-Haith and her husband, Ross L. Haith. Taking part in the ceremony were, from left, Jennifer Boettcher, chamber of commerce director of member services; Pat Milne, chamber of commerce director of event planning; Jeannine White-Haith; Robert Novitke, Grosse Pointe Woods mayor; Ross Haith; Mary Huebner, chamber of commerce president; and Mark Wollenweber, Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator. ShowHouse Interiors, located at 20169 Mack, sells home furnishing gifts and offers interior design services at its 3,000 square foot facility. It is open Wednesdays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with appointments only on Tuesdays. For more information, call (313) 458-8785 or visit showhouseinteriors.com.

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Participating restaurants are Lucy's Tavern on the Hill, The Hill Seafood and Chop House, Dirty Dog Jazz Café, Just Delicious, Sunrise Sunset Saloon, Dylan's Raw Bar & Grille, City Kitchen, Bogart's and Borders and Books Music Café — Seattle's Best Café.

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Gracious donation

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe announced that Marlene and John Boll, along with the Boll foundation, were the platinum sponsors of the 25th bi-annual Grosse Pointe Auction at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial April 19.

The Boll's were the honorary chairs of the event that raised funds for Rotary projects in the Grosse Pointes and internationally.

Auction goers had the opportunity to bid on a granite-topped Mutschler Kitchen Island.

The \$4,000 to \$5,000-valued item was built for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra show house and has an overhang on one side that would seat three people, according to Mutschler, a part of the Blake Company, which donated it.

Another item that the black-tie auction goers bid on is a natural gas-powered generator donated by Gary Marowske of Flame Furnace.

Other auction and raffle items included a year's membership at the Otsego Ski Club in Gaylord and golf privileges for a family of two adults and four children.

Some of the funds were donated to the Foundation of Analysis, Synthesis and Thoughtfulness (F.A.S.T.).

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Metro flights could be routed over Pointes

Grosse Pointe residents may soon encounter other sounds than the traditional ones heard during spring and summer.

On Monday, the Wayne County Airport Authority began its spring/summer runway rehabilitation work on each of

the four parallel runways at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport. Intermittent closures of the runways will result in temporary changes in air traffic flow arriving and departing the airport.

As a result of these runway

closures and increased use of the crosswind runway, there may be a temporary increase in the number of aircraft and noise over residences immediately north and east of the airport.

These temporary closures

will not create any new flight tracks, but will result in an increased number of operations on existing tracks.

"Metro Detroit residents are no strangers to 'construction season,'" said Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Lester Robinson. "While the airport authority recognizes that this critical runway rehabilitation work may result in some temporary inconvenience for some of our neighbors, we appreciate the support of local communities who recognize the importance of these projects for the long-term viability of our region and for the local jobs they create."

Eastside residents have campaigned for years against having flights routed over their neighborhoods. In the 1990s, a small airplane company, Proair, operated out of City Airport on Conner that prompted protests from residents and officials in the Grosse Pointes.

The airport authority shut down Runway 3R/21L to replace existing slabs near the end of the runway. It is anticipated it will reopen May 16.

During the week of May 18, Runway 4L/22R is scheduled to be closed for crack sealing and painting. This project will take 10 days or less to complete.

The authority anticipates work on Runway 3L/21R, which is scheduled for pavement repair, electrical work and painting, will begin June 1 and take no more than two weeks.

Beginning in mid-June, rehabilitation work scheduled for Runway 4R/22L will last approximately two weeks.

This runway will also be re-

painted and receive necessary pavement repairs.

During construction, aircraft operations usually assigned to the closed runway will be reassigned by the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control Tower to one of the airport's other three parallel runways. At peak times, it is anticipated that Runway 9R/27L, one of the airport's crosswind runways, will be used for arrivals and departures as weather conditions permit.

Residents with any questions or concerns regarding these temporary closures may contact the airport authority noise manager at (734) 753-2202.

— John Lundberg

Teen driving bill gets a boost from tragedy

By John Lundberg
Staff Writer

It is a regrettable truth in the history of mankind that it often takes a tragic event to prompt preventive measures to help avoid a repeat of that tragedy.

It is something that 1st District State Representative Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, knows all too well.

Nearly seven years ago, three teenagers were killed when a vehicle driven by Anthony Pierno lost control on Lochmoor in Grosse Pointe Woods, crossed over the median and struck several trees.

Last week, history appeared to repeat itself when three L'Anse Creuse North High School students were killed in a car wreck in Chesterfield Township.

Both accidents shared two common similarities: the senseless loss of life and multiple teenagers driving in an apparent reckless manner.

Following the 2001 accident, Gaffney sponsored legislation to limit the number of unrelated teenage passengers to one in the vehicle driven by a new driver.

The legislation passed the House, but later was voted down in the Senate.

"It stalled in the Senate where there were people on the floor ridiculing the bill, saying that teenagers couldn't go on a double date," Gaffney said. "Some people really were trivializing it."

"We all do stupid things as teenagers. But with all the (electronic distractions) we now have, I just want to get rid of one of those distractions."

Gaffney's bill appears to have enough support to pass this time. According to reports, it has the support of Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Senate is expected to take it up soon.

Considering that teen accidents are up 20 percent in the past year, compared with overall accidents being down, the bill's passage is long overdue, Gaffney said.

"These accidents are horrible things and tragic for the families," he said. "You have people reaching their prime in young adulthood."

"You never get over it."

Gaffney's bill limits the number of unrelated teenagers to one per car for a first-year driver. Several years ago, the legislature passed a graduated licensing system for drivers partly in response to increased teen-related auto accidents. One of the provisions is that rookie drivers cannot operate a vehicle between 1-5 a.m.

"(Having multiple teens) in a vehicle driven by a (new) driver is a bad concoction," Gaffney said. "First time drivers should learn how to drive without other teen passengers."

Pierno, then 17, was speeding when he lost control of his SUV. He is currently in prison for manslaughter stemming

from the accident.

"I got an e-mail from one of the parents of the victims who volunteered to help me pass this bill," Gaffney said. "This is not a cure-all."

"But I was very touched to hear that."

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Stempfle makes bid for House seat

City of Grosse Pointe councilman, John Stempfle, is running for Michigan State Representative in the first State House District.

The lifelong Grosse Pointe resident said he has a passion for service to the community.

Stempfle has been a Wayne County public defender for 29 years, specializing in abused and neglected children and delinquency. He has also represented clients in probate, district and circuit courts, as well as administrative hearings, especially those dealing with Social Security.

Stempfle, for 10 years, was the supervising attorney for the Senior Citizens Legal Aid Project and was deputy chief council for two years.

For 30 years, Stempfle has been a partner in a small firm specializing in individual income tax preparation.

He has also been a speaker at senior citizen clubs, church groups and civic organizations. He is active at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Stempfle and his wife, Mary Ellen, who is in her 14th year as a Wayne County Community College District trustee, live in the City of Grosse Pointe.



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Linda Rustem Sejfulla

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Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Linda Rustem Sejfulla, 58, died Saturday, April 5, 2008, in Portland, Ore.

Ms. Sejfulla attended the University of Michigan. She then attended San Francisco State University and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in film studies and graduated

cum laude and with department honors.

She was a teaching fellow while enrolled in the master's program as San Francisco State.

She enjoyed giving lectures in film history at various colleges and libraries throughout California and Oregon.

Ms. Sejfulla was a published author of poetry and essays.

She wrote many letters to government officials and organizations in support of social issues about which she cared deeply.

Ms. Sejfulla is survived by her sister, Laura (Alex) Veliko; brother, Bob (Linda) Sejfulla; nieces, Lydia, Cynthia, Amy and Emily; and nephew, Derek.

She was predeceased by her parents, Rustem and Vahide Sejfulla.

Services were private.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 20450 Civic Center Dr., Southfield, MI 48076 or the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation, 15450 E. Jefferson, Suite 150, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.



Hawaii reader

Grosse Pointe Park residents Simone, Erika and Evan Arora stop to catch up on news from home with the Grosse Pointe News while vacationing on the Big Island of Hawaii for Christmas. Here they are in front of Akaka Falls. Simone is a freshman at Grosse Pointe South, Erika is an eighth grader at Pierce Middle School, and Evan attends Defer Elementary. Another tourist saw the paper and yelled, "Hey, the Grosse Pointe News; we're from Farmington Hills."



The Washington reader

While visiting family and friends in Washington, D.C. in mid February, Chris Crader of the City of Grosse Pointe took along her Grosse Pointe News to read in front of the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial. 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 Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to editor@grossepointe-news.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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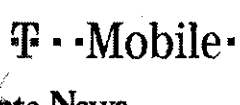
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Grosse Pointe News

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Sign off

Police are investigating the theft of a white vinyl sign attached to the permanent Maire Elementary School sign. It was reported at 2:37 p.m. Monday, April 14.

Police said a white male was seen "hanging around" the area before the sign was reported missing. The sign is valued at \$100.

High times

Police arrested two Detroit women, ages 54 and 53, following a traffic stop on Charlevoix at 12:06 a.m. Sunday, April 13.

Police stopped the vehicle for defective equipment. A Law Enforcement Information Network check of the 54-year-old driver revealed she had multiple driver's license suspensions and was wanted on

two Warren warrants. She was held for pick up.

While checking the vehicle, police discovered crack cocaine, several different prescription drugs and drug paraphernalia inside. The passenger admitted to possessing the drugs and heroin was found on her during a subsequent check.

— 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

Vandalism

Police are investigating the cracking of a storm window and glass in a French door on a house in the 100 block Lakeshore reported at 8:03 p.m. Friday, April 18.

Police believe a marble flung by a slingshot caused the esti-

mated \$400 in damage.

Liquored up

Police arrested an 18-year-old Detroit man and are seeking a warrant against a 49-year-old Detroit woman for stealing two bottles of liquor from a store on Kercheval reported at 6:27 p.m. Friday, April 18.

Police said store video surveillance confirmed the identities of the two suspects. The man was arrested after his vehicle was stopped in Detroit.

Picture this

Police are investigating the breaking of the picture window on a house in the 400 block Calvin reported at 10:18 a.m. Thursday, April 17.

Police believe a landscape stone from the home's front yard could have caused the damage. The window is valued at \$600.

Home invasion

Police are investigating the theft of two laptop computers and silverware from a house on Beverly reported at 6:33 p.m. Tuesday, April 15.

Police said the theft was reported after the homeowner returned home and found a door left ajar. A neighbor reported seeing a black male with a light build, wearing jeans and a dark gray hoodie in the vicinity when the theft occurred.

The items were valued at \$4,000.

— John Lundberg

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Go Blue?

Police are investigating a case of retail fraud reported at a paint store on Mack.

A University of Michigan purchase order was illegally used on at least two occasions in early April to purchase more than \$1,500 in paint. Store employees were able to secure a license and cell phone number for the person making the purchases.

Damaged

A city employee notified police at 5:45 p.m. Saturday, April 19 that the gate to the employee parking lot behind the city hall complex was damaged.

The broken gate was found in the city garage.

— Kathy Ryan

Those with information on

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Tree in danger

Police are investigating damage to a recently planted 6-foot tree located in the 500 block of Lakepointe. Sometime overnight on Sunday, April 13 someone cut the tree's trunk.

Lakepointe mischief

Overnight on Saturday, April 12 a concrete statue in the front yard of a home located in the 700 block of Lakepointe was broken. Police are investigating.

— Beth Quinn

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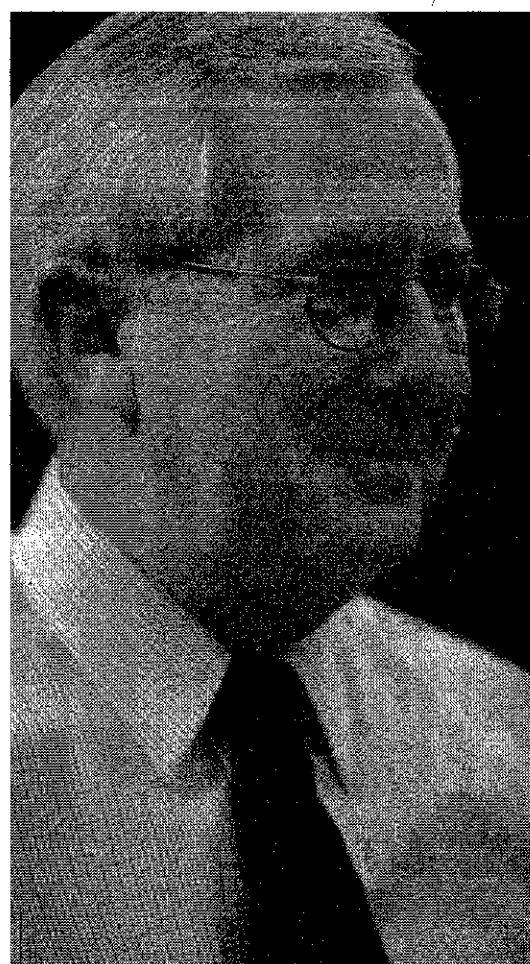
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3

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Children learn numbers and the alphabet in the context of their everyday experiences. Exploring the natural world of plants and animals, cooking, taking attendance, and serving snack are all meaningful activities to children.

Individual kindergarten classrooms will vary, and curriculum will vary according to the interests and backgrounds of the children. But all developmentally appropriate kindergarten classrooms will have one thing in common: the focus will be on the development of the child as a whole.

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Children work on projects and have long periods of time (at least one hour) to play and explore. Filling out worksheets should not be their primary activity.



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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The 2008 Nissan Altima Hybrid is only sold in eight states. This hybrid gets better fuel economy and produces fewer emissions than the non-hybrid 4-cylinder version, while achieving the power of a 6-cylinder.

2008 Nissan Altima Hybrid power



This week we test-drive one of America's most recent "green" efforts, expressly Nissan's 2008 Altima Hybrid Sedan — base price: \$25,070; price as tested: \$27,105.

We'll also note up front that all numbers look good, except for one big negative.

Specifically, although Altima Hybrid is among the best values in the midsize market, unless you live in California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island or Vermont, you can't buy one. It seems Altima Hybrid is only available in states that currently have California's strict emissions standards.

Altima Hybrid's "positive numbers," however, include terrific fuel-mileage of EPA 35 city and 33 highway and four sets of "5-Star" Government

Crash Safety Ratings that are most important. Add a fuel tank that is nearly three gallons larger than a Camry Hybrid, and you receive an additional 100 mile "pass" before fill-ups.

Assembled at Nissan's North America plant in Smyrna, Tenn. and introduced in 2007 to compete with other midsize hybrids, the Altima Hybrid for 2008 offers the style, convenience, comfort, quality and performance of the best-selling fourth-generation, gas-only powered Altima sedan — while adding the benefits of improved fuel economy and reduced emissions.

To quicken its hybrid to the market, Nissan purchased the hybrid motor/electrical design rights from Toyota's hybrid design, which came as somewhat of a surprise to the industry. Still, it allowed Nissan to join the five-passenger hybrid sales race quickly and utilize an advanced electric motor/generator nickel metal hydride battery for its hybrid management system.

In duo with Altima's 2.5-liter 4-cylinder engine, the two produce what Nissan terms a hybrid "net power" of 198-horse-

power, i.e.: 158 from the engine and 40 from the electric motor. Overall, it's a great package that has lots of get up and go.

Similar to other hybrids, Altima generates hybrid power through Regenerative Cooperative Braking, creating its own electric energy for storage in its battery. Thus, it never needs external recharging or "plugging in." The front-wheel drive Altima also comes with a hybrid-specific, electronically controlled, Continuously Variable Transmission designed to maximize fuel efficiency.

In this day of "topsy turvy" oil and gas prices, Nissan has a true competitor that allow consumers an additional federal tax credit of \$2,350 while, in comparison, the federal tax credit for Toyota Hybrids have been sliced to zero because of some "provision" in the 2005 Energy Bill.

Go figure.

New for 2008 is an exterior-



2008 Nissan Altima Hybrid

or design featuring a continuation and tweak of Altima's distinctive, modern look. It features an aggressive stance, Nissan T-shaped grill, forward A-pillar, iconic Altima-style taillights and reduced wheel-opening gaps. Our tester's look improves with the presence of a rear spoiler as part of a \$1,300 convenience package, although we feel the extra dollars spent for this option are not necessary.

Underneath, Altima's four wheel independent suspension, vented front/solid rear 4-wheel ABS disc brakes, Electronic Brakeforce Distribution,

Vehicle Dynamic Control and a great Traction Control System all work in tandem to offer great handling, stopping and stabilization in slippery or unstable conditions.

Altima's sporty cabin is filled with innovative amenities, including Fine Vision Gauge display panel and standard Intelligent Key with Push Button Ignition — meaning you don't have to dig in your pockets or purse for keys as long as they're in the car with you.

There are convenient covered storage compartments and seven cup holders, along with an available Bose developed audio

system with nine speakers, Bluetooth Hands-Free Phone System, Nissan Navigation System, Rearview Monitor and the XM radio.

Nissan packs much safety and security features into its sedan, with a standard Nissan Advanced Air Bag System with dual-stage air bags, standard front-seat side-impact supplemental air bags and standard side-impact curtain supplemental air bags.

Important numbers include 109.3-inch wheelbase, 3,482-pound curb weight and 10.1-

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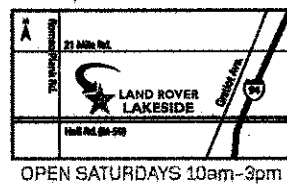
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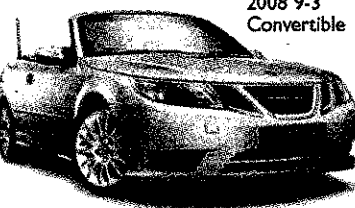


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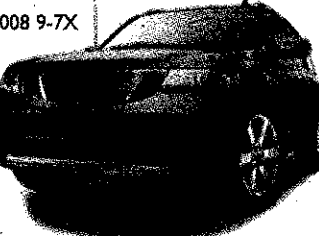
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AUTOS By Jenny King

Travel around Phoenix powered by the fun and control of the 2008 Jeep Liberty Sport 4X4. This year's compact SUV rides and handles better on the road, has more passenger room and offers more convenience features.

2008 Jeep Liberty has new profile



The Willo Historic District here in downtown Phoenix was having a kind of open house. Several of its charming bungalows from the 1920s and 1930s were available for viewing by an eager public in mid-February.

This was the 20th anniversary of the neighborhood association and the weather cooperated perfectly. By mid-afternoon it was at least 75; cool breezes swept through the wide-open windows of the tour homes, which, unlike yours and mine, were completely clutter-free.

Actually, these delightful two and three bedroom houses typically had a lot of built-in cupboards where a host owner might stash personal items.

Our transportation to and from downtown was a 2008 Jeep Liberty, a compact SUV with the get-up-and-go of the Jeep Wrangler and the more sophisticated exterior of a highline Jeep Cherokee.

The popular Liberty has been morphing from the stubby appearing and rounded truck with great appeal to women buyers to one with a more edgy, tough profile. Its hood, for example, now looks a lot like that of the larger and more masculine Dodge Nitro.

Perhaps "masculine" is an appropriate way to describe



the ride in the "trail rated" 4X4 Liberty Sport. Its short wheelbase and off-road suspension make it bouncy even on smooth pavement. It's not unpleasant. It adds to the sense of fun and control one might have in the Liberty on adventures off the Interstate.

The test vehicle started at a base price of \$21,942 with a 3.7-liter V-6, which sad to say, has bad habits when it comes to consuming fuel.

It cost \$48 for a round trip from Phoenix to Tucson. We figured we were getting under 20 miles per gallon, although the EPA numbers show an average 15 mpg in the city and 21 mpg on the highway. The

average speed on many highways out here is 75, which certainly won't deliver optimal fuel economy.

A surprise with the Liberty is the spaciousness of the rear seat, which has belts for three, though that would be a hip squeeze for most. But there is leg and ankle room, the seat is comfortable and one needn't complain about this assigned position, even when it entails endless stories and interaction with a kindergartner.

The Liberty Sport 4X4 package also includes, according to its sticker, a four-speed automatic transmission. But the optional equipment rundown tacks on \$825 for an automatic

with hill descent control and a 3.73 axle ratio. Standard are all-speed traction control and electronic stability, plus brake assist and hill state assist for those off-road days.

The "customer preferred package" on the test truck was just less than \$1,000 and included temperature and compass gauges, fog lamps, roof rails and deep tint glass. A power sunroof was \$850.

The Liberty was a very pleasant surprise: Fun to drive, big enough but not as large as the luxury trucks parked in driveways in the Willo Historic District and likely a good choice for those who don't need a huge vehicle and might, from time to time, like to try a hand at off-roading.

Jeep Liberty at the pump. EPA numbers show an average of 15 miles per gallon, city and 21 mpg highway.



The 2008 Jeep Liberty has borrowed some stronger lines from relatives like the Dodge Nitro and Jeep Commander.

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AUTOWIRE.NET By Steve Schaefer

The 2008 Mercury Mariner Hybrid is a great way to be environmentally sensitive while still enjoying the SUV style, utility, and driving experience.

Environmentally sensitive compact SUV

I recently tested a 2008 Mariner Hybrid. Many people are becoming more aware of the environmental impact of driving and want to create a smaller "carbon footprint" on the Earth. They want a small, compact SUV.

If you're one of those individuals, you probably have discovered there's not much out there for you. But the Ford Motor Company offers you two hybrid choices; the Ford Escape and its more stylish sister, the Mercury Mariner.

The Mariner, introduced as a 2006 model, has been substantially restyled inside and out for the 2008 model year. The Mercury logo is bigger, and there is more of the bright work that is meant to read "upscale" in buyer's minds. The front and rear lights give a high-tech, complex touch. It seems like

just yesterday headlamps and tail lamps were flat, translucent forms. Now they are elaborate jewel cases.

The interior employs Mercury touches, including exclusive textures and stretches of flat plastic, to convey a more luxurious appearance than the essentially identical Ford. The tan shades and silvery sections are mood-lifting and make for pleasant commuting.

The goal of a hybrid vehicle is to reduce fuel consumption but retain the feel and driving experience of a standard car. The Mariner is successful there. At low speeds, up to 25 mph depending on road conditions and angle, you are using pure electricity, which is regenerated during braking.

During driving, the electric motor produces 70 kW of electricity, which is enough to add 22 horsepower to the modest

2.3-liter, 133 horsepower four-cylinder gas engine. The engine turns off at stoplights — the ultimate gas saver.

The car seems to have enough power for climbing hills and passing maneuvers, although on extended up-grades, the engine routinely ran at more than 4,000 rpm to keep up to speed. This is a function of the continuously variable automatic transmission, which finds the best ratio for the driving conditions.

Hybrids are fuel savers, but if there's any



The 2008 Mercury Mariner Hybrid

disappointment here, it's that the Mariner Hybrid isn't much better at it. Granted, it must haul 3,659 pounds of mass, plus passengers, with less horsepower and torque than a V6. But the EPA fuel economy numbers are 34 city and 30 highway for the two-wheel drive model and 29 and 27 for the four-wheel drive version.

Adding to my frustration, the fuel economy computer that is standard in Priuses is an option on the Mariner — and my tester didn't have it. So I can't give you my exact mileage, which is always lower than the EPA's official figures. I can say that the EPA numbers for the non-hybrid model with the four-cylinder engine are 23 city, 26 highway, so there is definitely some notable improvement with the hybrid power train, even if it's not quite as dramatic as it could be.

The Mariner Hybrid earns fantastic EPA Green Vehicle numbers. My two-wheel drive tester had a 9.5 on the air pollution scale and an 8 on the greenhouse gases scale. That puts it in the top 10 vehicles sold in the United States.

The people at Mercury know they've got a hot commodity here, so the Hybrid comes loaded with lots of good things. Your main choice is between two-wheel drive or four-wheel drive and which color you like. Standards include four-wheel disc brakes with antilock; power windows, locks and mirrors; remote keyless entry; dual automatic temperature control; automatic headlamps; and an AM/FM/MP3-ready/single CD audio system.

Thoughtful touches abound, such as side repeater turn signal lamps in the mirrors, compass and temperature display,

an audio input jack, and a reverse sensing system. And there's much more.

If you want to upgrade, Mercury is there to help. My tester had the Hybrid Premium Package, with a navigation system and leather trim, surrounded by nice items such as power heated mirrors, heated front seats, and a retractable cargo cover — a very important option for security. The Hybrid Moon and Tune Package added a sunroof and Sirius satellite radio. My car also had a 110-volt outlet.

The base price for the two-wheel-drive Mariner Hybrid is \$25,955, plus \$665 delivery charge. Add \$1,010 for all-wheel drive. My tester, with the options listed, came to \$31,000. For reference, the base, non-hybrid Mariner starts at \$20,920 plus \$665 for destination charges.

— AutoWire.Net

Maintain the value of your car

Most Americans will pay big bucks at the pump this summer, which is why it is more important than ever to save on your car maintenance costs.

Now is a perfect time to learn new ways to keep your car in better shape longer and save money.

The American Society of Appraisers highlights the top 10 steps consumers can take to help enhance the value of their car.

"Cars are usually the second largest purchase for most people right after their house," says Dave Kinney, accredited senior appraiser with the American Society of Appraisers.

The American Society of Appraisers and Kinney offer the following tips to consumers.

- 1) Aside from car wash operators, no one likes dirty cars. By keeping your car clean, not only will you feel better about the car, but you will likely reap the rewards at trade in time or when you sell it. Have your car professionally detailed before you attempt to sell it.
- 2) Maintain your car according to the manufacturer's specifications. Find the specifications in the owner's guide. Most manufacturers don't require oil changes until 7,500 miles or more.
- 3) Go synthetic. When you get the oil changed, consider one of the well-known synthetic oils on the market. They are more expensive, but they also have a longer service life. Synthetic oil is made from regular oil, but it is made so that all the molecules are the same size, increasing flow and decreasing wear. Your engine could last longer and operate

at cooler temperatures.

- 4) Fix what breaks. Today's cars are much more complicated than cars from 10 years ago. A little problem can become a big problem if ignored. Turning up the radio to avoid hearing a noise is not a good plan — get it fixed.
- 5) Little paint chips have a way of growing into big paint chips; fix them before they grow. Your local auto parts store will likely have a paint touch-up display offering a variety of popular (and some unpopular) colors that match your paint. If they don't, your dealer will.
- 6) Wax on, wax off. Find a high quality paste wax and spend the afternoon getting to know the nooks and crannies of your car. Wax your car once a year at a minimum and repeat often.
- 7) It's good advice for both you and your car. Most states require an annual inspection for all vehicles. Any dealer would be happy to do a 25,000 mile or more point check-up. This is the time to look at tires,

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- 8) Fix those paint chips. Don't grab the first space closest to the door of the mall. Instead, park in a less used area and walk the short distance. What's the benefit? You get a little more exercise, and your car avoids the chance for a few dings and being a target for the "park-by-touch" crowd.
- 9) Use parts that are approved by the manufacturer or come from a source you trust. Aftermarket parts can be as good, or better, than original equipment, but unless you get them from a trusted source, be wary. Develop a relationship with the shop that repairs your car. Don't cut corners on safety.
- 10) Don't toss the paperwork that a potential buyer wants to see. Instead, keep a simple file of all of your bills, receipts, recall notices, e-mails and letters about your vehicle. Future buyers will thank you.

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ALTIMA: Test drive best buys

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cubic feet of cargo space. Additionally, while our test model topped out at more than \$27,000, you can park a gasoline propelled Altima in your driveway for as low as \$18,330 for the base 2.5-liter 4-cylinder model — a lot of vehicle for the money and one of last year's "Test Drive Best Buys."

However, due to lack of availability, Altima Hybrid receives just a 7.5 on a scale of 1 to 10, with hopes that Nissan will soon receive the OK to sell the car in all 50 states.

Likes: Economy, looks, hybrid setup, price.

Dislikes: Only available in eight states, back seat a bit snug.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist.

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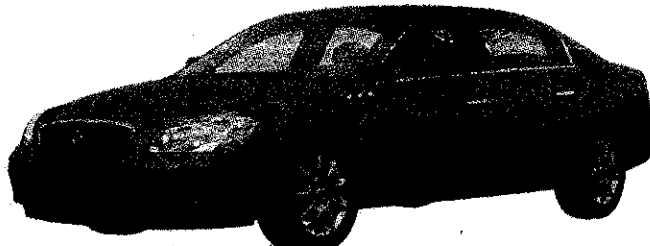
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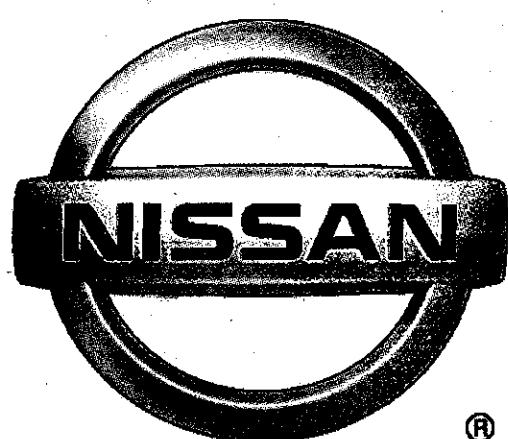
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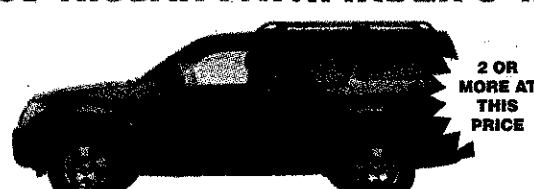
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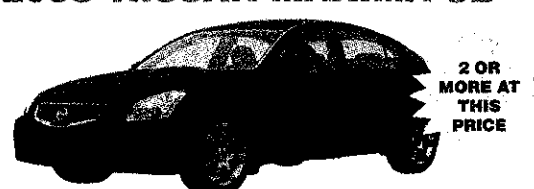
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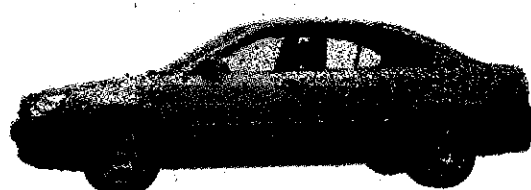
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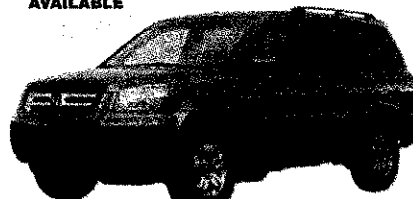
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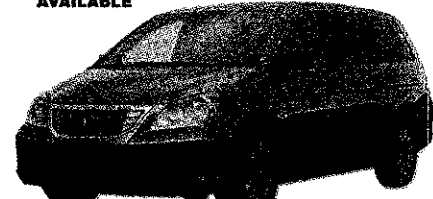
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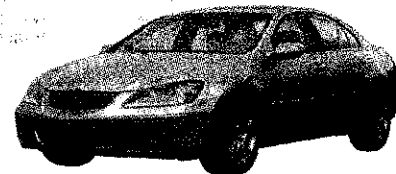
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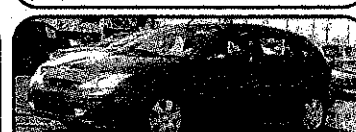
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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The 2008 Audi A3 has many awards including Top Safety Pick by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. It's a sleek ride in urban or open-road driving.

Sophisticated Audi A3 2.0 Turbo S Line



Although the Audi brand and its corresponding reputation as a great, German-built automobile is usually

linked to high prices, our tester this week goes against that theory. We're talking about Audi's popular 2008 A3.

The A3 is a smaller entry level offering powered by a turbo-charged engine connected to a great shifting S-Tronic automatic/manual transmission. It goes for a base of just \$27,410, and if you stay away from high cost options, A3 can be an attractive buy — price as tested: \$38,170.

Built in Ingolstadt, our tester featured Audi's famous sports-car style suspension that features a McPherson strut independent front design coupled to a four-link rear setup. When adding the optional \$2,500 "S-Line Sport Package," it transforms the already nimble A3 into a staunch performer, thanks to 17-inch alloy wheels and tires, beefier sport suspension, roof-mounted spoiler, leather seating surfaces, S-Line badging, sport seats, special bumpers, and a host of other entities that make this Audi a blast to drive.

Although smaller in dimensions, A3's cabin is tastefully finished and has the special Audi eminence we've come to enjoy. Listed as a small wagon in the EPA rating category, there's certainly room for four full sized adults and lots of cargo room in back, too.

Other interior attributes include a \$2,950 Navigation System with Sirius Satellite Radio and Bose Premium speakers. The option also includes an iPod interface so all of your favorite songs on your handheld iPod integrate properly. It's expensive, but in this day of high tech navigation and

stereo electronics, it's worth it to the consumer who desires these items.

All A3s come standard with two stage front air bags, driver and passenger seat mounted side air bags and SideGuard curtain air bags. Audi also scores high in government crash tests, and receives a recommended "check" from Consumer Reports in its 2008 Best and Worst Cars issue. Notable also is the excellent 4-wheel ABS disc brakes with traction and stability control.

Under the hood sits the 121-inch 4-cylinder turbo engine that produces 200 horsepower and delivers 22 city and 29 highway EPA mileage. Not only does this engine run extremely well in the smaller Audi, the 6-speed automatic/manual transmission receives high marks in the performance and quick shift category.

Although we use the word "manual," there is no clutch pedal to push, just a shifter with either a manual or automatic gate for gear changing. If you'd like, you can leave the S-Tronic in drive, and you'll still experience the quick, precise shifting awaiting consumers who test-drive an A3 with S-Tronic. It's something we recommend, but until you drive one, it's hard to describe, because this "manual automatic" comes as close as possible to being a true manual shifting transmission in auto-

matic packaging.

It's on the open road, however,



2008 Audi A3 2.0 Turbo S Line

where everything falls into place. A3 shines in all handling situations, from sharp corners to twisty mountain roads. When the Turbo kicks in and you need to pass or merge, it feels way more powerful than its advertised 200-horses, yet still delivers excellent fuel economy. On the freeway, longer drives are a breeze, and the exhaust, meanwhile, has a personality of its own, as each time we shifted the S-Tronic, a powerful sound belled from the exhaust.

Another option on our tester is a \$1,500 "Titanium Package" that includes no real titanium. Buyers receive piano black trim, black headliner, black

styled grille and window trim. Perhaps making up the brunt of this option are 18-inch titanium colored wheels and summer performance tires.

Not to be misled, reread the line "titanium colored" wheels, as titanium is a very expensive material and four wheels made of titanium would cost thousands. I'd pass on this option. Other consumer preference options include an "open sky" moon/sunroof for \$1,100, and Bluetooth phone prep for \$350. However, we like Audi's cold weather package with heated seats for \$700, and the \$350 convenience package.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 101.5-inches,

3,307-pound curb weight, 19.5-cubic feet of cargo space, and a 14.5-gallon fuel tank for premium grade fuel.

We've never hidden our preference for German built automobiles, and the A3 S Line falls squarely into a positive 8.5 rating on a scale of one to 10, with 10 being best. It's a great automobile to own.

Likes: Fuel economy, power, handling, firm seating, sports-car like performance, looks.

Dislikes: Tight for five passengers; options quickly move car to near \$40,000, which is too expensive for the small Audi.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.

Pacific Coast dream machines

By Tony Leopardo

Special Writer

There's nothing quite like the massive Pacific Coast Dream Machines Show to be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 27, at Half Moon Bay Airport, Half Moon Bay, Calif.

It's a whimsical, unique show featuring 2,000 driving, flying and working machines from the 20th and 21st centuries.

The world's coolest cars of every era and style, model-T fire engines, vintage busses, custom motorcycles, tricked out trucks, sleek streamliners, one-of-a-kind antique engines and tractors, and historic military aircraft will be among the displays celebrating mechanical ingenuity, power and style.

The world's most powerful air raid siren will signal the start of this year's 18th annual show. The show benefits the Coastside Adult Day Health

Center in Half Moon Bay.

A few of the attractions scheduled to appear include Motocross exhibitions by HiRise FMX; a historic B-25 Bomber from World War II; P-51 Mustangs; Max Loffgren's POW/MIA '55 Chevy dragster, built as a tribute to the more than 3,500 American servicemen and women listed of prisoners of war or missing in action from the Vietnam War; Stanford's Solar Race Car "Equinox;" the Blastolene Brothers extreme, mega-modified machines; and "World Record Wonderland" headed by record-setting dragster "The Flying Fortress" — the world's fastest non-supercharged, front engine slingshot dragster and the lightning fast, super sleek BuddFab Motorcycle Streamliner.

Spectators will get a rare up-close look at antique horseless carriages and Ford Model Ts,

fanciful touring and luxury cars, powerful sports cars, custom cars and street rods, muscle cars, vintage and modern era high-performance race cars, quirky art and pedal cars, modified street machines with cutting edge styles, exotic high-performance cars, European cars, low-riders, sporty compacts, modified imports with graphics, and jet cars.

Hundreds of aviation wonders are expected to be on display.

Also on display will be large and small engines collected and refurbished by members of the Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Association and several pieces from Roots of Motive Power's collection of restored logging equipment.

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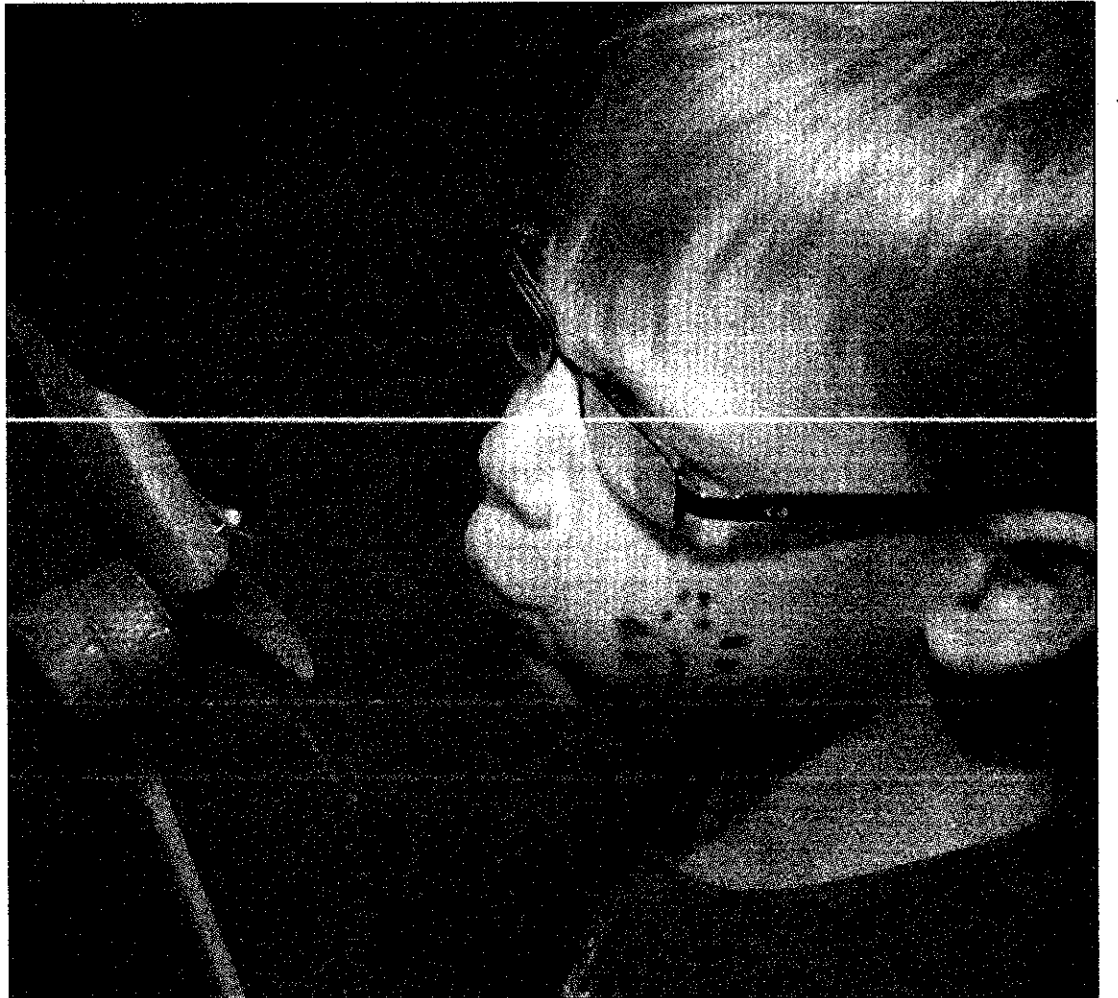
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At left, Laura Jensen of Wild Birds Unlimited, explains to Margaret Smith the different styles of bird feeders. Jensen also was offering shade grown coffee, which helps save animal habitats.



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Jackson Greilick learned about one alternative energy source — wind power — with his pinwheel.

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Information about dirt, birds and coffee was served up during LocalMotion's second annual Earth Day Fair on Saturday, April 19.

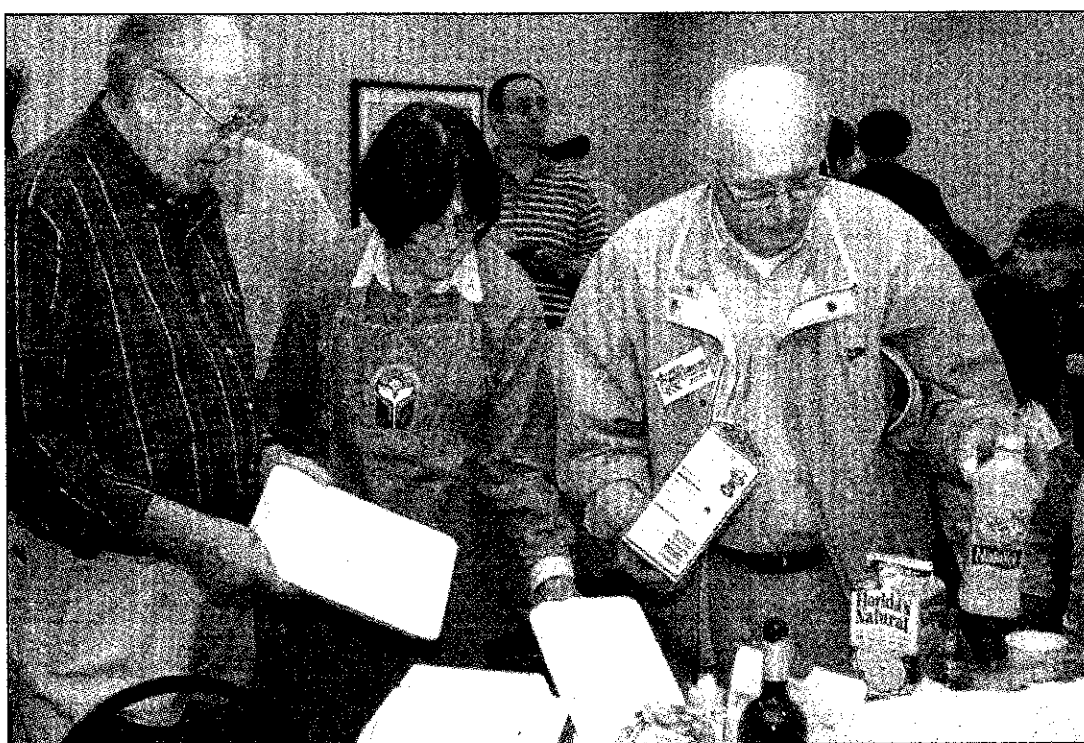
"This is our second year and we are excited to offer three times the selection of Earth friendly products and services to our community," said Robin Heller, LocalMotion's executive director. "This year we have added government and corporate booths with the Wayne County Department of Environment, Michigan Organic Farm and Food Alliance, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and DTE Energy as well as all the wonderful local booths. We hope to expand each year."



Earth friendly crafts and games were available for families, including the seed match game. Participants matched the seeds to the vegetables.



Girl Scouts from Troop 3090 worked on their environmental badge during the Earth Day fair. Among their activities, the girls gave a speech about scientist and an environmental movement founder Rachel Carson. Ashley Cooper and Elise Bollenbacher displayed birds' nests they made from natural and recycled materials.



Grosse Pointe Woods council members, Joe Sucher, left, and Pete Waldmeir, right, and Barbara Hayes from the Detroit Garden Center, sort through a table filled with recyclable items.

Mil Hurley, owner of A Southern Gardener, explains to Susan Heinen the no-dig method that helps kill weeds and creates a new flower bed within six to 12 months.



Jason Harper pours Giovannina Maio pours coffee from his Caribou Coffee backpack, which holds 2.5 gallons. This is an eco-friendly coffee backpack, which uses an air pressure pump to dispense the liquid. Caribou offers free brewed coffee grounds for customers to use in their gardens.

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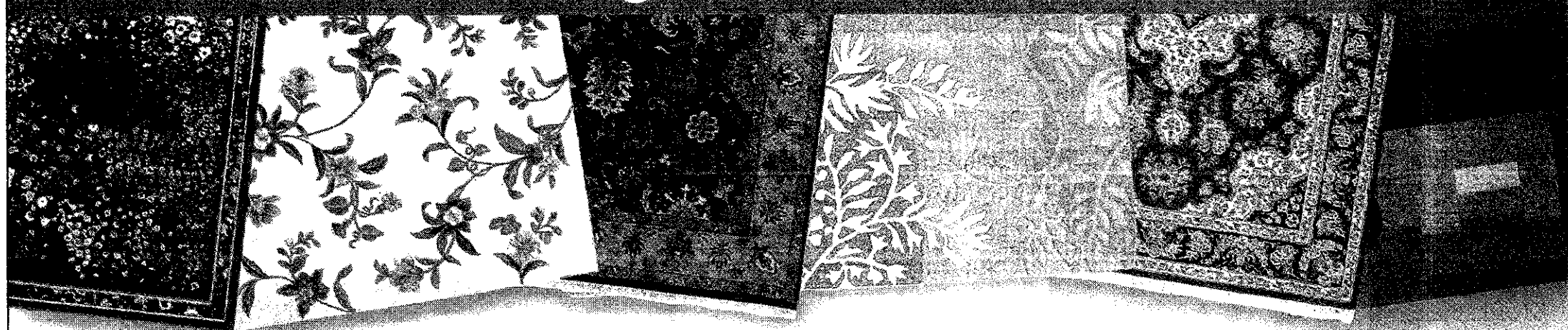
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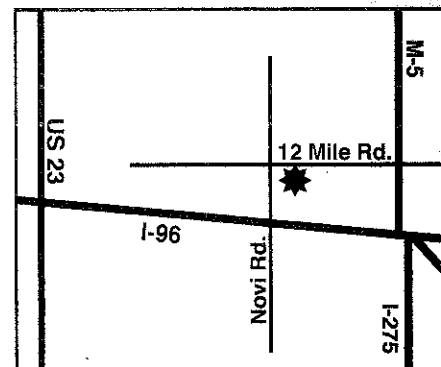
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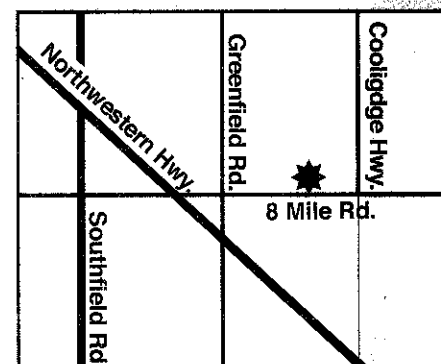
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The Grosse Pointe Theatre closes with a 'colorful' musical PAGE 6B

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There's no place like home. After a change of venue for the annual Grosse Pointe Academy **Action Auction** last year, the festive event returns to the picturesque grounds overlooking Lake St. Clair.

Opening doors

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

It's good to be return home — where the doors open in a welcoming gesture.

Carol Cinnamond, Cyd Hamer, Elizabeth Roe and Christina Vermet, co-chairs of the 41st Grosse Pointe Academy Action Auction agree, it's good to be back home.

After more than a year of renovations to the academy's buildings and moving the 2007 auction off-site, the fundraiser is back on campus. It's back home. Thus the 2008 auction theme is "opening doors."

It will celebrate the renovations of the school, Hamer said. "The kids came back in September. The school is opening the doors to learning, growth and friendship."

Though the students have been back since September, there are many adults, who have not seen the renovations. Thus, when the 500 to 600 guests come into the school on either auction dates Wednesday, May 7, or Saturday, May 10, a red carpet will be rolled out in the acade-



The 41st Grosse Pointe Academy Action Auction co-chairs are from left, Elizabeth Roe, Carol Cinnamond, Cyd Hamer and Christina Vermet.

my's main hallway. Attendees will view the newly renovated library and students' projects. The library is a state-of-the-art facility, but the woodworking and design have kept with the historic nature of the building. Grosse Pointe Academy is listed on the National Historic Register. A portion of the funds raised during the auction will be used to maintain the historic ambiance of the buildings, which overlook Lake St. Clair.

The classrooms have been totally renovated for optimal learning capacity for the 333 students, said Jenny Parke, the academy's director of advancement. There is new carpeting, high tech lighting in which no shadows are cast and the hallways burnt orange Welsh tiles have been restored. There are new science and computer labs. The Tracy Fieldhouse has been expanded and improved for sporting, drama and musical events as well as community activities.

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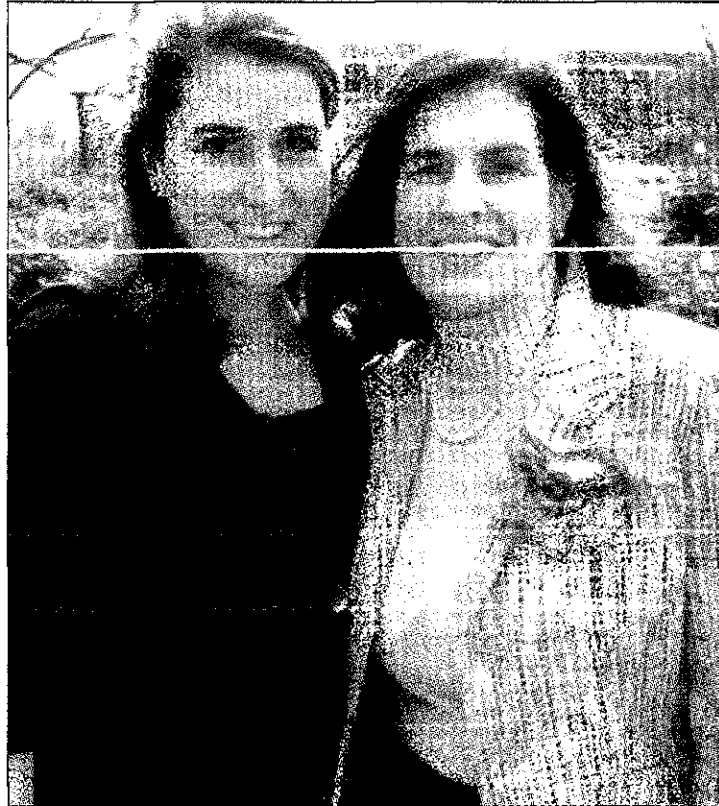


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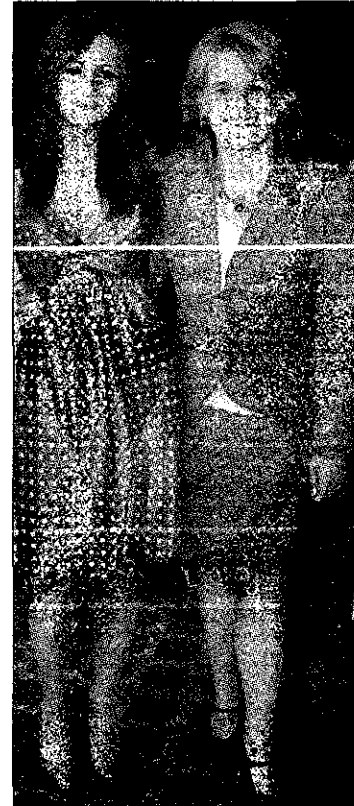
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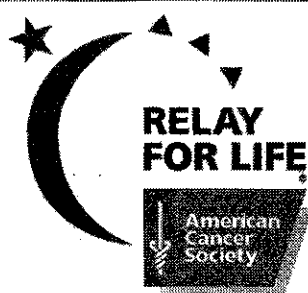


Kathleen Ann Gaca and Erica Alexandra Busch of Grosse Pointe Woods



Celebrity lunch

Composer and conductor John Williams lunched with 130 area residents, including Judith Werner of Huntington Woods, Patricia Cosgrove and Marlene Hamel of Grosse Pointe Woods. Also attending the lunch, hosted by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Volunteer Society, were Cindy Palmer Hughes and Mike Hughes of Grosse Pointe Park.



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CHURCH EVENTS

Open house

Christ the King Lutheran Preschool holds an open house from 5:30 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, at 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Parents are welcome to bring their children, view the facilities and learn about the program.

The preschool offers half-day sessions on various days for 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds and young fives. The typical day includes free play, circle time, theme projects, both gross and fine motor development, snack time, Jesus time and story time.

The 3-year-old program emphasizes social development. The 4-year-old program targets kindergarten readiness. The young fives program serves those children who need an extra year before entering kindergarten, providing them with a four-day program. This program continues to work on both social and academic readiness, focusing on science, math and social studies.

For more information, call (313) 884-5998.

Also, call about "Mom's Day Out" from 12:15 to 3 p.m. held the second Friday each month. Children 2 to 5 years old are welcome.

Law Sunday

The Historic Trinity Cathedral Ministry Lutheran Attorneys in Witness (LAW) will host a LAW group that will participate in special liturgical reading and prayers during the 8:15, 9:30 and 11 a.m. services,

Sunday, May 4. Active and retired attorneys and judges will be recognized for their positive contributions to society.

Attorney Richard Heiss will be honored at the 11 a.m. service with the 2008 LAW award.

The church is located at 1345 Gratiot, Detroit.

Visioning

Contemplative Outreach and Centering Prayer Group in Southeast Michigan meets from 8:30 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the St. Peter the Apostle Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods. The meeting's purpose is to support the formation and growth of a Contemplative Outreach Chapter in the metro Detroit area.

Commissioned presenters, facilitators of Centering Prayer, prayer group members and anyone interested in supporting the growth of the organization may attend.

To register, call Bernadette Thibodeau at (313) 882-4824 or Donna Cary at (586) 773-6438.

Cookbook

"Sharing Favorites of our Greek American Cuisine" is a cookbook compiled by the women's philanthropic organizations of 40 parishes of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit.

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of recipes.

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The book may be purchased for \$22 through the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church office at (313) 224-0601. Proceeds benefit charitable donations.

For more information, contact Chairman Evan Valassiades at the aforementioned phone number.

Dedication

The Sacred Heart Votive Chapel, located on the grounds of the Solanus Center, will be dedicated immediately following the 9 a.m. Mass Sunday, May 11.

"This will be a special day," said Daniel Fox, Solanus Center director and Capuchin friar. "We will proceed from Saint Bonaventure Chapel to the Sacred Heart Chapel where, we will be blessing the new votive chapel. This is also the Solemnity of Pentecost as well as Mother's Day. The votive chapel will be awash with light from those candles that have been lit in prayer."

The Solanus Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott Avenue, Detroit. The Saint Bonaventure Chapel is immediately adjacent to the Solanus Center. For more information, call (313) 579-2100, ext. 149.

PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Ron Zettle

Easter message continues

Several weeks ago, Christians from all over the world celebrated the Easter holiday.

Good Friday reminded us of the suffering and sacrifice Jesus Christ endured so we would be free from the penalty of sin.

On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrated the fact that Jesus had victory over death and the grave through His bodily resurrection.

Although Easter may be a faint memory in our fast paced lives, the message continues each and every day.

After the resurrection, the Book of Acts instructs that Jesus continued to appear to his followers for a period of 40 days.

Acts 1:3 states, "After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive."

"He appeared to them over a period of 40 days and spoke about the kingdom of God."

Jesus tarried for an additional 40 days to make certain that the message of his death, resurrection and the kingdom of God would be firmly planted in the hearts of his followers.

Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus ascended to heaven and on the 50th day he sent the Holy Spirit to dwell with us.

Today, Jesus continues to give us many convincing proofs that He is alive.

He proves He is alive through the Bible which is the word of God, living and active, sharper than any two edge sword.

He sent his Holy Spirit to be our comforter and as a deposit for things to come.

God also speaks to us through other believers who testify about him each and

every day. The book of Romans tells us that God proves He is alive even through nature so that we are certain of his existence and are without excuse.

Jesus is gracious to prove his existence to all who desire to know him.

The word of God says that there is no greater love than one who is willing to lay down their life for another. Even after his greatest show of love, Jesus was willing to delay his departure to make certain all those who suffered doubt were convinced.

He is able to give you many convincing proofs if you just ask.

Rev. Ron Zettle is the associate pastor at Christ Community Church in Roseville and is the director of IHope Detroit Church.

Zettle and his family are residents of Grosse Pointe Woods.

St. Michael's appoints new minister

The Rev. Marianna L. Gronek has been appointed the new pastor of Michael's Episcopal of Grosse Pointe Woods.

She assumed her duties on Sunday, April 6.

The Port Huron native is currently with St. Clare of Assisi in Ann Arbor and has had assignments in Illinois, England and Colorado.

Gronek is St. Michael's

fourth permanent rector. She earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design in Lakewood, Colo. She did her teacher training at Regis University in Denver.

Gronek studied theology at Cambridge University in the United Kingdom.

Her Master of Divinity degree is from Seabury Western Theological Seminary in

Evanston, Ill.

Gronek spent five years as a graphic designer and design director with Jacobson's and Holiday Creations in Michigan.

She also worked as a carpenter, building displays at the Denver Art Museum. She was ordained in 2006.

The selection committee had been sifting through applications for a year.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Antonini - Howe

Joe and Kathy Antonini of Bloomfield Hills have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kara Kay Antonini, to J. Patrick Howe, son of Jim and Robin Howe of Grosse Pointe Farms. A June wedding is planned.

Antonini earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and a master's in education from Oakland University. She is a kindergarten teacher at Cranbrook.

Howe earned a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. He is to earn a master's of urban planning from Wayne State in August.

Burke - Verb

Ed and Kathy Burke of Grosse Pointe Shores have announced the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Burke, to Stephen Verb, M.D., son of Patrick Verb of Harrison Township and Patricia Verb of Grosse Pointe Woods.

An October wedding is planned.

Burke earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and is a third year Wayne State University medical student.

Verb earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State and an M.D. degree from the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine. He is a resident in ophthalmology at the Kresge Eye Institute.

Hancock - Keelean

John Hancock of Grosse Pointe Park and Patricia and Daniel Chaney of Macomb have announced the engagement of their daughter, Shelleyann Hancock, to

Brendan Keelean, son of Christan and Edward Keelean of Grosse Pointe Park. A June 2009 wedding is planned.

Hancock earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Miami (Fla.) in elementary education and studio art and a master's degree from DePaul University in language and literacy.

She is a reading specialist at Carson Elementary School in Chicago.

Keelean is an Iraq war veteran, where he served with the U.S. Navy for six years. He is enrolled in a bachelor's program at the University of Illinois.

Hull - Fromm

Mr. and Mrs. L. Kent Hull of Curtis, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tamra S. Hull, to Brian G. Fromm, son of Joseph L. Fromm of Grosse Pointe Farms and the late Beverly Fromm.

An August wedding is planned.

Hull earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in international relations from Michigan State University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan — Dearborn. She is the director of marketing for Catholic schools at the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Fromm earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Michigan and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh. He is an engineering group manager at OnStar.

Linne - Miller

Gregory and Laura Linne of Harper Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Katherine A. Linne, to John F. Miller III, son of John and Cheryl Miller of

Grosse Pointe Shores. An August wedding is planned.

Linne earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in interior design from Michigan State University. She is an interior designer with R. D. Jones & Associates.

Miller earned a Bachelor of Science degree in construction management from Ferris State University. He is a project engineer for Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.

Litchfield - Spacil

Mr. and Mrs. David D. Litchfield of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Ann Litchfield, to Michael Milan Spacil, son of Judy Dewey of Puyallup, Wash., and Milan Spacil of Summerville, S.C. A November wedding is planned.

Litchfield graduated from Clemson University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, and a Master of Arts degree in poetry writing and American literature. She is the director of grant development for Tri-County Technical College in Pendleton, S.C.

Spacil graduated from Clemson University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in aquaculture, fisheries and wildlife biology. He is an environmental health manager with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Moceri - Pesta

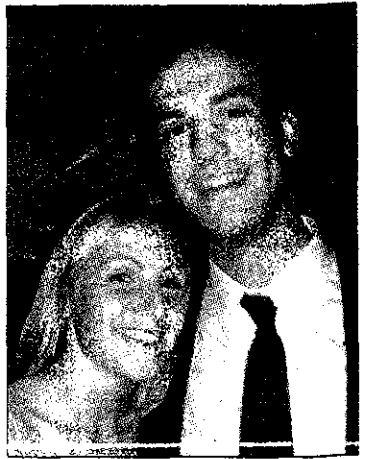
Kathleen Moceri of Grosse Pointe Woods and Samuel and Antoinette Moceri of St. Clair Shores have announced the engagement of their daughter, Maureen Moceri, to Kevin Pesta, son of Richard and Karen Pesta of Grosse Pointe Woods. A December wedding is planned.



J. Patrick Howe and Kara Kay Antonini



Dr. Stephen Verb and Colleen Burke



Shelleyann Hancock and Brendan Keelean



Brian G. Fromm and Tamra S. Hull



Katherine A. Linne and John F. Miller III



Amanda Ann Litchfield and Michael Milan Spacil



Kevin Pesta and Maureen Moceri



Christopher Michael Marston and Michelle Christine Presson

Marston of Grosse Pointe Farms. A June wedding is planned.

Presson earned a bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Mass., in 1992 and a Juris Doctorate degree from the William and Mary Marshall Wythe School of Law in 1998.

She is the chief of staff for

Congresswoman Michele Bachmann, R-Minnesota.

Marston earned a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College in 1996 and a Juris Doctorate degree from the Georgetown University School of Law in 2003. He is a United States Department of Education deputy assistant secretary.

WEDDINGS

Davison - Schorer

Lindsey M. Davison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Patrick Davison of Hometown, Penn., married Anthony J. Schorer, son of Serafina Shorer and the late Howard Shorer of Grosse Pointe Woods on Aug. 3, 2007, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

The Rev. Michael Matthews, C.S.C. officiated at the double ring ceremony. A reception was held at the South Bend Marriott.

The bride's sister, Ashley M. Davison of Hometown, Penn., was the maid of honor.

The groom's brother, Michael Schorer of Grosse Pointe Shores, was the best man.

Bridesmaids were Jillian Knoblauch, Amanda Luna, and Charlene Feliciano, all of Tamaqua, Penn., and the groom's sister-in-law, Abigail Schorer of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Serving as ushers were the groom's cousin, Patrick Griffith of Grosse Pointe Woods, and the groom's brothers, Scott Schorer of Seattle and Todd Schorer of Ann Arbor.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Tamaqua Area High School and a 2003 graduate of the University of Notre Dame. She received a bachelor's degree in business administration.

The groom is a 1999 graduate of DeLaSalle Collegiate High School. He received a master's degree in computer science in 2005 from the University of Notre Dame. He is an information technology project coordinator for Repair Industries of Detroit.

The couple honeymooned in

Maui. They live in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Detgen - Miller

Elizabeth Jane Detgen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Detgen of Lake Forest, Ill., married Thaddeus Michael Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Miller of Grosse Pointe Farms, on Nov. 9, 2007 at the Assumption Church in Chicago.

Monsignor Kenneth Velo of the Archdiocese of Chicago officiated. Concelebrants were the Rev. Karl Kiser, S.J., the president of the University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy and the Rev. James Williams of Mackinaw City. A dinner and reception at the Union League Club of Chicago followed the ceremony.

The bride's sister, Molly Detgen Magnano, M.D. of San Francisco, was the matron of honor.

The groom's brother, Timothy Miller of Berkley, was the best man.

Mary Jo Magnano, niece of the bride, was the flower girl and the groom's nephews, Jack and Danny Miller, served as ring bearers.

Serving as ushers were Marco Magnano, Michael Capanigro and Michail Lynam, all of San Francisco, and Harold Paul of Broomfield, Colo.

The bride graduated from Lake Forest High School in 1996 and the University of Notre Dame in 2000. She is a finance manager with Abbott Laboratories' diabetes care division in Alameda, Calif.

The groom graduated from the University of Detroit



Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Schorer

Jesuit High School and Academy in 1992, the University of Michigan in 1996 and earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Notre Dame. He is a manager of online sales and operations at Google Inc., in Mountainview, Calif.

The couple honeymooned in New Zealand. They live in San Francisco.

Flemion - Osten

Kelly Marie Flemion, daughter of Steven and Kathleen Flemion of Grosse Pointe Woods, married Peter Wesley Osten, son of Mark and Susan Osten of Bloomfield Hills, on March 8, 2008, in Delray Beach, Florida.

Justice of the Peace David Levine officiated at the 6:30 p.m. ceremony held in the Delray Beach Marriott atrium, which was followed by a reception in the hotel's ballroom.



Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Michael Miller

The bride wore an ivory silk gown with a deep v-neck and beaded detail along the neckline. She carried a bouquet of ivory calla lilies.

Lauren Zuidema of Birdsboro, Penn., the bride's older sister, was the matron of honor. Heather Flemion of St. Clair Shores, the bride's younger sister, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mary Lee (Cornillie) of Berkley, Sarah Corless of Minneapolis, Minn., and the groom's sisters, Nicole Raines and Sharon Rohlman, both of Aventura, Fla.

Attendants wore meadow green strapless, knee-length dresses. Each carried a bouquet of mini-ivory calla lilies, pink roses and green hydrangeas.

Alan Raines of Aventura, the groom's brother-in-law, was the best man. Groomsman were Andrew Stein of Chicago, Ill.; Scott Mitnick of Farmington Hills; Brandon Schneider of Birmingham; Zach Landau of Pontiac; and the bride's brother, Brian



Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wesley Osten

Flemion, of Kalamazoo.

The mother of the bride wore an amethyst knee-length dress with a gathered neckline and metallic detail at the waistline. The groom's mother wore a coral, metallic cowl neck, two piece knee-length suit.

Both the bride and groom graduated from Michigan State University. They now own Advanced Freight Management, a logistical solutions company.

The couple honeymooned in Islamorada. They live in Beverly Hills.

Hendley - Emery

Jessica Winifred Hendley and Hardy Lott Emery were married April 5, 2008, at the Kilgore-Lewis House in Greenville, S.C. Sarah Tasman, cousin of the bride, performed the 6 p.m. ceremony.

A reception followed at the Westin Poinsett Hotel.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Hendley of



Mrs. Hardy Lott Emery

Greenville, S.C. She is a 2005 graduate of the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts in psychology.

The groom is the son of Greta Emery of Stuart, Fla. and William Emery of Greenville, S.C.

He earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in visual communications from Kendall College of Art and Design in 2004.

Meagan Elizabeth Campolong, best friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Amy Marguerite Bailey, Stephanie Laine Crapps, Caroline Wy Ellison, Virginia Roge Landon, and Leslie Ann Silver. Flower girls were Cameri Nicole Phillips and Elizabeth Madden Emery.

Andre' John Emery, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsman were Joseph Muer Daniell, Michael Benjamin Hendley, Erik Ma Ketcham, Andrew Davis Neeme, Jason Donald Ves and John Marquardt Will.

Payton Tyler Phillips was the junior groomsman. Ring bearer was Bryce Livingston Phillips.

The couple honeymooned in Kauai, Hawaii. They reside in Greenville.



Helping to organize the Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission and Grosse Pointe North Parents Club, Friday and Saturday, May 9 and 10 flower sale are Diane Evanski, Renee Seago, Kelly Martin-Rahaim, Gerry Hilton and Susie LHeureux.



PHOTO BY TOM ROCKWELL

AREA ACTIVITIES

Flower sale

The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Advisory Commission and the Grosse Pointe North Parents' Club hold their second combined flower sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 9, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10, on the front lawn of the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall.

There will be flats of geraniums, impatiens, new Guinea impatiens and begonias in a variety of colors, a selection of concrete "critters," hanging baskets and potted flowers. The Parrish Family Farm members will be on hand with their specialty items.

Flowers preordered will be delivered free on Thursday, May 8, or may be picked up at city hall from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day.

For more information, call Renee Seago at (313) 886-0780 or Jerry Hilton at (313) 729-3795.

Farm and garden

Grosse Pointe Shores Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association meets at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 2, at the Grosse Pointe Club, 6 Berkshire. Carol Schrashun is hostess. RSVP to Dolores Serra by Monday, April 28, at (313) 882-2274.

Garden club

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club meets at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The program is The Friends of Art & Flowers at the Detroit Institute of Arts. This is the ninth annual Elizabeth Sites Kulman lecture and will feature the British floral artist Jane Packer.

Fashion show

A variety of fashions for all ages will be presented on Thursday, May 8, by the Ladies Philoptochos Society of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Cocktail hour is at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. with dinner and the show. Parish members will model items provided by Lord & Taylor, Gymboree, Forever 21, and Windsor, among others. Prizes such as a Mikimoto pearl and diamond pendant, a weekend stay at Atheneum Suite Hotel, Tiger tickets and certificates to leading restaurants, spas and beauty services, will be raffled off.

Bereavement support

Hospices of Henry Ford is offering a five week bereavement support group series entitled "The Journey through Grief." Meetings will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, May 7 through June 4 at the Henry Ford Macomb Hospital-Warren Campus, 13355 East 10 Mile, Warren.

The series is free to participants; however registration is required. Register by Wednesday, April 30 and check at the information desk for room location.

For registration and further information call Kathleen Barletta at (248) 585-5270.

Art show

Area artist and home designer Todd Patrick is having an art show from 6 to 10 p.m. May 10 at Mezzanine, 206 E. Grand River, 2nd Floor, Detroit.

Tea at two

The Tea At Two party and silent jewelry auction will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church in Grosse Pointe Farms and attendees are encouraged to wear hats. Grosse Pointe artist Carol LaChiusa will display her award-winning exhibition "Remember Mama" or "Women in the Home in the 20th Century." The cost is \$10. Reserve a table by calling (313) 884-3075. Pictured, in the back from left, Cathy Leverenz, Roberta Turpin, Grace Miles and Carole Tech and Kathy Frakes; in front from left, Sandi Cook, Susan Rockwell, Pat Johnstone, Marlene Cooper and Emma Wright. Other committee members are Darlene Sulad, Mary Johnson and Nancy Maxson.

Running and winning workshop a winner

Girls from area high schools attended the Feb. 29 League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe's Running and Winning workshop at The Ark of St. Ambrose.

They spent the day interviewing political officials and learning leadership and campaign skills.

Speakers included Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land and Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy. Both offered insights on career development, political life and issues they have faced while in office.

Also participating were Michigan Sen. Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox, Grosse Pointe Board of Education trustees Alice Kozinski and Angela Kennedy, Grosse Pointe Woods city council members Lisa Pinkos Howle and Vicki Granger, a Grosse Pointe Farms City Councilwoman Therese Joseph and former Grosse Pointe Park City council woman Carroll Evola.

Superintendent of Grosse Pointe Public Schools Suzanne Klein talked about how leadership and goal planning can be beneficial throughout life. Municipal Court Judge Lynne Pierce moderated the day.

In the afternoon, students worked on their own mock campaign and selected a candidate, a campaign manager, publicists and speech writer. The campaign's platform had to be reviewed and selected by consensus for the girls to proceed.

Palette club

The Lakeside Palette Club of St. Clair Shores holds its spring exhibit and juried show at the Anton Art Center in Mount Clemens from Sunday, April 27, through Thursday, May 15. Hours for the art show are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

Book collection

Waldenbooks and Borders Books are having a book drive through Saturday, May 3. New chapter books are needed for Guyton Elementary, a Detroit public school.

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6B | ENTERTAINMENT

'Dreamcoat' closes Grosse Pointe Theatre season

Featuring a tap dancing camel and a children's chorus of 22, Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" as its season closer.

Opening at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 27 and running April 30-May 4 and May 7-11, the musical tells the Biblical story of Joseph, his 11 brothers, his multi-colored coat and the story of his journey through slavery to become Pharaoh's second in command.

The May 4 and 11 performances are at 2 p.m. and all other performances are at 8 p.m. For Mother's Day, May 11, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial is offering a brunch prior to the closing performance.

A dinner buffet is available prior to most performances through the Grosse Pointe War Memorial at (313) 881-1175.

Tickets for the play are \$22 and may be purchased by calling the Grosse Pointe Theatre Ticket Hotline at (313) 881-4004. Group rates are available.



PHOTO BY DALE PEGG

From left to right, Doug Clark as Joseph, Marie Reinman as the narrator, Scott Davis as Potiphar and Lisa Johnson as Potiphar's wife.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" is the musical adaptation of the story of Joseph, his rainbow coat and the jealousy it caused amongst his 11 brothers. Joseph's brothers are so upset by their father's gift of the coat

to Joseph that they sell their brother into slavery and tell their father Joseph has been killed.

Joseph is sold to an Egyptian Captain named Potiphar, whose wife tries to seduce him. Potiphar, blaming the seduc-

tion on Joseph, sends him to prison. Joseph's ability to interpret dreams ultimately leads him to Pharaoh and a high position in the Egyptian government.

Portraying the narrator is Marie Reinman; Doug Clark

plays Joseph; the Pharaoh/Naphtali is played by Keith Johnson and Mike Evans is seen as Jacob. Mike Trudel, Peter DiSante and Rodol Salazar portray Simeon, Reuben and Judah, several of Joseph's singing brothers. Justin Hawley, John Casey, Nathaniel Cedroni and Don Bischoff will appear as Benhamin, Levi, Issachar and Zebulun, another group of brothers.

Dennis Martell and Rob Weber are seen as Asher the butler and Dan the baker. Scott Davis will portray Potiphar/Gad.

Naphtali's wife is portrayed by Lisa Johnson; Mary McGee, Sharron Nelson and Delores Basile play Benjamin's, Zebulun's and Simeon's wives along with an ancient version of the Supremes. Terry Turpin-Amato and Jennifer Clark appear as Reuben and Dan's wives as well as the tap dancing camel.

Cynthia Pike is Gad's wife. Also in the cast are Emma Kruse, Lyndsey Briggs, Audrey Wegehaupt and Donna DiSante as Issachar's, Levi's, Judah's and Asher's wives.

Members of the children's chorus are: Bridget Hubbell,

Catherine Thibault, Cecelia Tresick, Christina Amato, Claire Yonkus, Elizabeth Trudel, Erin Morris, Gabriela Tucker, Greta Johnson, Jack Kay, Jarod Clark, Jeremy Harr, Kaelyn Mocer, Kara Sogge, Kyle Bischoff, Lily Basile, Mary Reinman, Molly Paddock, Natalie Dusina, Olivia Baratta, Patricia Allen, and Rae Woodman.

The play is directed by Dennis Wickline and produced by Jon Lechner. Technical directors are Dennis McGiness and Ruth Rouleau with stage managers Olivia Wickline and Gerylann Arden. Musical/vocal director is John Dickinson with choreography by Laurie Bilkie-Snyder and Don E. Ross. Costumes are by Mickie Pizzimenti and Mary Lou Britton with make-up by Ruth Ellen Mayhall. Props and set dressing is provided by Gwenn Samuel, Nancy B. Bashara and Jemma Allor. Lighting will be handled by Dale and Dianne Pegg with sound by Blair Arden and Eric Vreeland.

Grosse Pointe Theatre productions are staged in the Fries Auditorium of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff



Green up the salad with creamy dressing

McBrearty. Here's the recipe that the ladies hovering by the veggie table requested.

Classic Green Goddess Dressing

1 cup mayonnaise
3/4 cup sour cream
2 1/2 cups packed fresh

parsley
4 scallions, chopped
3 tablespoons tarragon vinegar (or red wine vinegar)
4 anchovy fillets
3/4 teaspoon dried basil
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon dried tarragon
Place all of the ingredients in a food processor (or blender). Pulse until the mixture be-



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Green goddess dressing is a sure pleaser for springtime salads.

comes smooth, scraping down the sides of the bowl. Makes about 2 cups.

Store tightly covered in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

Fresh veggies are just one option for this creamy, dreamy dressing.

Green goddess will sit nicely next to grilled seafood or drizzled over a toss of salad greens.

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6:30 pm Who's in the Kitchen
7:00 pm Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)
7:30 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial
8:00 pm Positively Positive
8:30 pm Tech Pointes
9:00 pm Watercolor Workshop
9:30 pm Pointes of Horticulture
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AUCTION: Opening doors at the academy

Continued from page 1B

been turned into open classrooms with skylights for art, foreign language and Christian life classes.

"It's an inspiring place to be," Hamer said.

Once the guests tour is completed, they will have a chance to bid on more than 600 items. Included this year, as always, will be pottery made by the students, 46 items on which to bid during the live auction and more than 600 in the silent auction with items priced from an opening bid of \$35 to \$1,200.

Roe touched on a few of the notable items up for sale; a two year lease on a Volvo C30, donated by Crest Volvo - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Alandt; a Gregg Ruth diamond necklace and hoop earrings from Edmund T. AHEE jewelers and a one week stay and dinner party for six in Paris. The couples will stay in a 17th century apartment, complete with antique furnishings, a personal chef and a member of the royal family as a tour guide. The winner could elect to take the trip during Bastille Day.

People were overwhelmingly generous, Verment said.

Also on the auction block will be a week at Mexico Club Med and a five-night stay for six at Adare Manor Hotel and Gold Resort in Limerick, Ireland.

The chairs also noted there is a VIP behind-the-scenes tour of Universal Studios and a summer lease on a Mustang convertible or a Corvette convertible and a six month lease on a Yamaha DGC1M4 Disklavier grand piano on the block.

A rendition of the academy



The honorary chairs for the 2008 Grosse Pointe Academy's Action Auction are Joann and Mark Ratliff.

appears in the auction's catalog. It is a picture of a 1996 painting by impressionist Pierre Bittar, who has a studio in Harbor Springs and Naples, Fla. More importantly, the 56-by-44 inch oil with a value of \$19,400, has been donated to the auction with the intent that the purchaser will display it at the school. The displaying wall will be the entrance to the academy, Parke said.

There is also a commissioned piece of art by former art teacher and parent, Jane McFeely.

One of the highlights of the auction is the 11-day trip to Australia for a family of four in cooperation with the Australian Tourist Bureau. It's

not your run of the mill trip, Roe said. In addition to a personal tour of Sydney, there will be a day of sailing on a 39-foot yacht around Sydney Harbor. This will be followed by a two night stay at Ayers Rock, where the family of four will be served a silver service dinner and an astronomer will be on hand to point out the night sky's offerings.

There are stateside trips included in the auction as well as visits to the set of Jay Leno or Jimmy Kimmel shows and a three day stay at either a Montana ranch or the Rockefeller estate.

There are a multitude of children's novelty parties and a customized skateboard and

ramp to be auctioned off, as well as securing a day as the physical education teacher or head of school. Children can also persuade their parents to have their names emblazoned on a 25 inch cheese piece, which is in the school.

The doors open on the auction Wednesday, May 7, with the silent auction from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and a preview of Saturday's items from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. with cocktails and a strolling buffet offered by Epcot. The corporate sponsors are St. John Hospital and Medical Center, the Private Group at National City and Gallagher-Kaiser Corporation.

The silent auction Saturday, May 10, is from 5 to 7 p.m. and



A painting of the academy, valued at more than \$19,000, will be on the auction block.



A two-year lease on a Volvo will be available during the Action Auction.

a sit-down buffet dinner begins at 7 p.m. The live auction is from 8 to 10 p.m. Black tie is optional. For reservations, call (313) 886-1221, ext. 182.

People may bid absentee using a form in the catalog.

The honorary chairs this year are Joann and Mark Ratliff, who had four children attending the academy, the youngest of whom is a senior at Grosse Pointe South High

School.

"It's a fun night," Hamer said. "No one else has the quality and quantity of items. It's a festive atmosphere, professionally produced with DuMouchelle as the auctioneer and (radio personality) Paul W. Smith as master of ceremonies."

The funds raised support the academy's scholarship and general programs.

Celebrate Mother's Day at Ford estate

Pamper mom at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, which will host a Mother's Day brunch and tour on Sunday, May 11.

The Ford House offers families a way to honor the woman who makes it all happen with brunch seatings at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Ford House Activities Center. After brunch, guests may take a tour of the grounds and through the historic home.

The menu includes dishes such as asparagus and parmesan egg strata, crisp bacon, banana's foster French toast with amaretto whipped cream, chicken primavera with herb sauce on rice pilaf, herb roasted beef sirloin carving station, duchess potatoes, sautéed vegetable mix, chocolate zucchini bread, lemon poppy seed muffins, fresh

baked bread and rolls, a fruit, cheese and vegetable display and a mixed green salad with feta cheese, dried cherries, and raspberry vinaigrette.

Lemon mist torte with fresh raspberries and whipped cream is planned for dessert.

The cost for the brunch and tour is \$31 for adults and \$17 for children. Without the tour, the brunch is \$24 for adults and \$12 for children. Reservations are required and can be made by calling (313) 884-4222.

The Ford House is also offering a set of Spring Teas & Tours, where friends can gather for a tea in the Tea Room, followed by a guided tour of the house and grounds. Spring Teas & Tours are at 3 p.m. on Saturdays May 3 and 10. The cost is \$26.

Edsel & Eleanor Ford

House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, has been opening its doors to the public since 1978. Since that time, Ford House has shared Eleanor Ford's vision of preserving and maintaining the house and grounds for future

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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

Breathe deeply and follow your bliss



The wisdom of James Campbell's famous phrase, "Follow your bliss," is exemplified by Iris Underwood, a writer and poet I met through Detroit Working Women.

Several years ago she and I and two others were part of a reading program at Barnes and Noble in Grosse Pointe. I found her to be a loving and thoughtful woman whose experiences, I learned, did much to explain her serene nature.

In 1996 Underwood's eldest daughter, Becky, died of drug-related causes at the age of 25.

The wracking grief and unrelenting migraine headaches that followed threatened her marriage and her life.

For a novel in progress, she had been researching medicinal drugs. She contacted Friends of Herbs in Seven Ponds Nature Center in St. Clair County. Through the group she found lavender, a purple-flowering plant that's part of the mint family. She planted lavender in her own garden, and realized that exposure to it deeply affected her.

"It was a year later that I realized that I hadn't had a migraine since discovering lavender," she said. "Every time I breathe deeply in my garden, I refresh my good health and vitality. I didn't choose lavender. It chose me."

"There is a chemical in the lavender oil in the plant that goes to the brain and says,

"Chill out, everything is going to work out," she said.

Underwood's home is now part of the Yule Love It Lavender Farm, an acre fragrant oasis of lavender on her three and one half acre property in Leonard in northern Oakland County.

Today she offers educational programs, literary tours and farm strolls. She also offers lavender tea and scones.

Clearly Underwoods has followed her bliss.

I believe that the technological folks have finally gone too far. My toaster lost its control button two years ago, so I have no control over the lightness or darkness of toast. However, it usually turns out toast that's OK. But when I saw the headline, "Tasty toaster" and a picture of a much improved toaster selling for only \$59, I thought

maybe it was time I bought it.

Fortunately, information on the wonders of the toaster was also included. I learned that the two and four-slice toaster features an LED panel that illuminates according to the selected setting for the browning control. It acts as a toasting progress indicator, counting down how long is left in the toasting cycle. It beeps when it's complete. An internal smart chip lowers the bread into the toasting slots with a single touch. There's also an innovative lift-and-lock feature that automatically raises the bread carriage during toasting without canceling or resetting the cycle. This allows you to view and, if necessary, cancel the browning cycle.

What could be more fulfilling than to be able to monitor a toaster to be sure it's performing as it's programmed to do.

The accompanying booklet tells you the many intricate steps to take if the toaster misbehaves at any point in its "state of the art" effort to produce two pieces of nicely browned toast.

I got the following information from Public Citizen, a non-profit, non-partisan watchdog for government agencies.

The United States is the only country in the world that allows direct-to-consumer advertising for prescriptions drugs. New Zealand gave it a try, but is now working to ban this form of promotion.

In 2000 more was spent on advertising Vioxx than by both Pepsi and Budweiser. Vioxx was finally removed from the shelves after it was linked to 140,000 serious cardiovascular events. Public Citizen says it was the ninth prescription drug

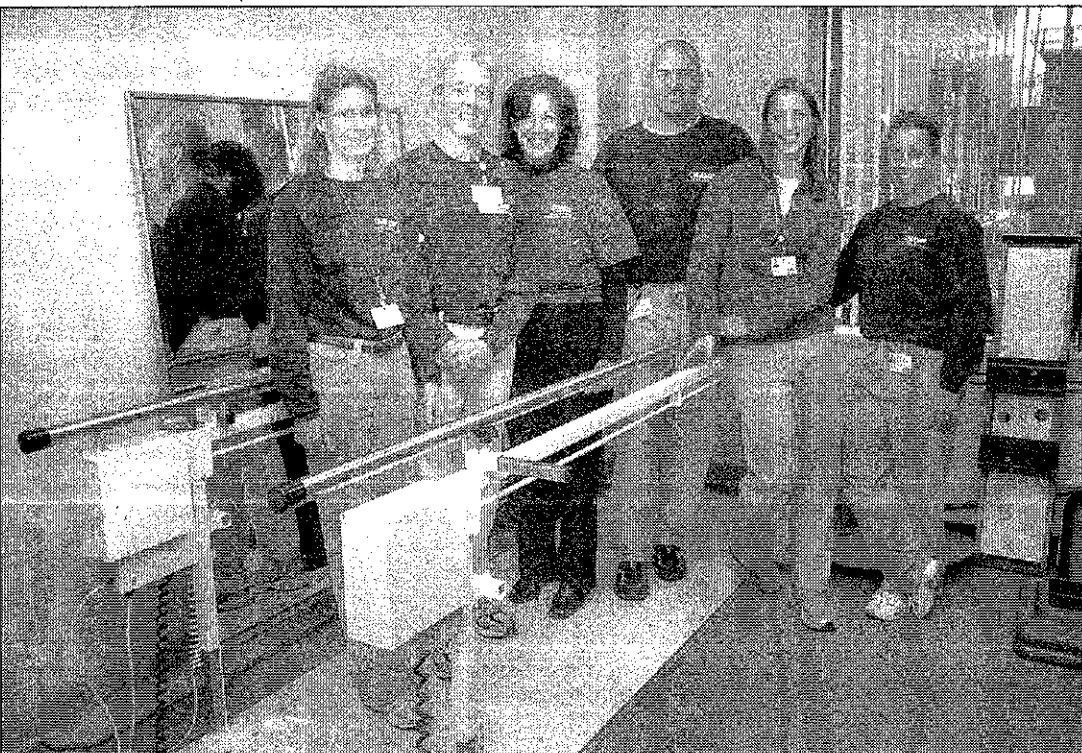
to be taken off the market after the publication warned consumers not to use it.

Each year pharmaceutical companies give \$400 million to the Food and Drug Administration. These are "user fees," intended to encourage quick FDA review of their drugs.

User fees were first allowed in 1992. Public Citizen notes that in recent years there have been a record number of unsafe drugs that the FDA later had to pull from the shelves. It also said one in every five new drugs is found to have a significant safety problem after it has been approved.

Getting user fees from the pharmaceutical industry is something like giving the fox responsibility for guarding the hen house.

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Working with the new parallel bars are Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Physical Therapists Nancy Nowak, Bruce Coburn, Anne Loy, David Williams, Natalia Tarnavsky and Jennifer Ostrowski.



Auxiliary donates equipment to physical therapy unit

A donation from the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary showed appreciation for the physical therapy staff of the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Athletic Medicine and Physical Therapy Center.

"Parallel bars are essential to the physical therapy gym," said Sal LoGrasso, supervisor of the program. "When ours broke down, the auxiliary came to our rescue and replaced them with fantastic new equipment.

"Our physical therapists work with many patients who have impaired balance, including a number of grateful auxiliary members," added LoGrasso. "It is imperative that we have parallel bars to retrain these patients to walk."

Therapists can raise and lower the bars, allowing them to assist patients of all sizes, who have sustained a stroke, other neurological injuries, disease, total joint replacement, ampu-

tation, and other diagnoses that require them to have the bars to regain their balance.

"The Cottage Auxiliary is an outstanding asset to the hospital, always striving to support and improve our care to the community," said LoGrasso. "They work hard to raise the funds necessary to make this kind of donation, and we're grateful for their gift and endorsement of our physical therapy services."

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome notes National Awareness Day

Each day, a baby is born with Cornelia de Lange Syndrome. Yet it may take months, or even years, for that child to receive the correct diagnosis.

During that time, he or she misses out on medical and developmental services that can affect quality, and even the length, of life. CdLS National Awareness Day is observed the second Saturday of May each year to shed light on this often misdiagnosed, little-known genetic syndrome.

"CdLS is unfamiliar to most people, including many professionals in the medical community," said Liana Garcia-Fresher, executive director of the CdLS Foundation, a national family support organization. "Public awareness is vital to identifying children with CdLS, which can be life-threatening if left unmonitored.

CdLS Awareness Day is an opportunity to educate all segments of the population about the syndrome."

Although individuals with CdLS range from mildly to severely affected, most have similar physical characteristics: small hands and feet, thin eyebrows that meet, long eyelashes, upturned nose, small stature, thin, down-turned lips and partial joining of the toes. About 25 percent have limb differences or missing limbs/digits.

Common medical problems include reflux, bowel abnormalities, heart defects, seizures, feeding problems and cleft palate. Behavior problems, autism and self-injury are also common among people with CdLS.

Although CdLS research has been conducted for decades, strides were made in 2004 with the discovery of the first of three gene mutations that cause the syndrome. That initial breakthrough by scientists at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia was followed by additional gene discoveries in 2006 by Italian researchers and in 2007 by the children's hospital team again.

These genetic discoveries have led to more accurate testing and better diagnostic tools. Even so, researchers estimate that upwards of 20,000 men, women and children have CdLS but live without the correct diagnosis or support services.

For more information, call 800-753-2357 or visit CdLSusa.org.

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Teams camp out and take turns walking around a track, join area cancer survivors during a Survivors Lap and take time to honor and remember cancer survivors and those who lost the battle during the evening Luminaria Ceremony.

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- ◆ Fund more than \$457 million American Cancer Society

research grants, including more than \$15 million in grants in Michigan.

- ◆ Ensure cancer issues remain a focus for local, state and federal legislators.

For more information, visit relayforlife.org and click on Find Events or call Dorothy Busignani at (248) 663-3418.



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HEALTH COLUMN By Paula Schreck, M.D.

Breastfeeding clinic at St. John helps new moms

Jamie Babcock is like many new mothers who try breastfeeding but encounter some problems getting the hang of it.

Unfortunately, without the proper guidance or support, many new moms give up. In fact, about 60 percent of women in metropolitan Detroit initiate breastfeeding, but three months later, the majority quit.

"A week after my son, Benjamin, was born, we went to the pediatric emergency at St. John Hospital because I was fearful that he was dehydrated. The breast feeding wasn't going well and I was scared and very emotional," Babcock said.

Shortly after, while inquiring about a breast pump at Breastfeeding Support Services, Babcock learned about the new outpatient breastfeeding clinic that opened up this month at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. She was our first patient, but very typical of moms

with breastfeeding issues.

Many times, women quit breastfeeding because of difficulties they encounter, such as perception of insufficient milk supply, painful breastfeeding, or poor weight gain in the infant. In addition, babies with medical conditions such as prematurity, cleft palate, Down's Syndrome and other genetic syndromes may not naturally breastfeed as well as other babies.

We can help with all those difficulties and help women find success in breastfeeding, which greatly benefits their infants.

Babcock can attest to that. During her visit to the clinic, I took a detailed history and examined Benjamin, focusing on parts of the history and physical that are relevant to breastfeeding. Together with Colleen Schulte, our lead lactation consultant, we spoke extensively with Jamie about her breastfeeding issues. Benjamin was not latching on well and Jamie was afraid he was not

Breastfeeding Benefits

Breast milk is a dynamic fluid that changes throughout the day and months that a mother breastfeeds. Breast milk is different when a baby is six weeks old versus six months and changes to suit the needs of the child. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends women breastfeed exclusively for six months and until the baby reaches at least one year. Benefits of breastfeeding for the infant include

- ◆ better digestion (less colic, gas, spitting up)
- ◆ reduction or elimination of food allergies and eczema
- ◆ protection from bronchitis, pneumonia, diabetes and asthma
- ◆ enhanced brain development
- ◆ fewer ear infections

Benefits to the mother include

- ◆ protection against anemia
- ◆ decreased incidence of post-partum depression
- ◆ enhanced post-delivery weight loss
- ◆ enhanced birth control

getting enough milk.

We then observed and assessed a complete breastfeeding session with Jamie and Benjamin. At the clinic, we use a specialized scale to weigh babies to determine how much breast milk they are ingesting. The scale is highly sensitive

(within 2 grams) and we weigh the baby during and after breastfeeding. The scale showed that Benjamin took in 3 ounces of milk; very normal and adequate for a newborn.

"The session was so helpful," Babcock said. "Dr. Schreck and the lactation consultant re-

ally worked with me. I tried several different nursing pillows. They repositioned Benjamin a few times. They also gave me a nipple shield which really helped.

"Knowing that my baby was getting an adequate amount of milk, helped allay my concerns."

Babcock left the clinic with a specific plan that will help her continue breastfeeding. We also share our observations with the mother's general practitioner and the baby's pediatrician, so everyone is on the same page.

Patients only come to the clinic to solve issues with breastfeeding. All other medical and developmental issues with the child are referred back to the child's pediatrician. In one to three appointments, 90 percent of problems are solved.

The new outpatient breastfeeding clinic is unique because it is the first physician-

led breastfeeding clinic in the state. Because of its unique structure, appointments can be billed to insurance companies (unlike other clinics, which operate on a cash-only basis).

Patients may self-refer, or their pediatrician or OB/GYN may suggest an appointment.

The clinic is offered every Wednesday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call (313) 343-3146.

The clinic also has a full retail boutique with a wide variety of pumps available for rental or purchase in addition to breastfeeding supplies and clothing for breastfeeding mothers, with prices generally lower than other retailers. The Nurturing Nook is open Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Paula Schreck, M.D., is the medical director of St. John Hospital Breastfeeding Support Services and the St. John Health Outpatient Breastfeeding Clinic.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Lisa Khoury, Student Assistance Specialist

Promoting responsible children



Q. As a parent, how do I promote responsible behavior in my children?

A. A common parental lament is that their children are not responsible. There is no hidden chromosome designated to increase the likelihood of children picking up their room, putting their belongings away, finishing homework, or helping with household chores.

Responsibility, however defined, is learned and nobody teaches it but parents. If you feel your children are not responsible, don't look at your children, look at yourself. Ask yourself three questions.

First, how often is this a problem? Second, do your children have an opportunity to be responsible? Third and most importantly, are expectations appropriate? It is vital that what is expected from children match their capabilities. Preschoolers should be able to

pick up their toys, help with some household chores and select clothes and dress themselves — all with parental direction.

Early school-age children should attend to their personal belongings, do simple chores independently (clear the table or dry dishes) and care for their hygiene and dressing needs, all with minimal direction and some supervision. Children in grades three through six should be able to complete assignments independently, organize personal time and help daily with some household chores, all with little parental supervision.

It is responsible parental behavior to work toward having responsible children. There are four things parents can do.

◆ Set an example of respect for self and others: Be on time for appointments, return extra change to a cashier, finish necessary chores before relaxing, speak respectfully to children, handle anger appropriately and meet own deadlines. If we do not model responsible behavior then there is a very strong likelihood that our children will not either.

◆ Communicate effectively: Expectations and rules should be stated clearly and positively to children. The reason for rules should be given so that children develop an awareness of their helpfulness and the respect they gain when acting responsibly. Children do not have to like the rules but they do have to understand them.

◆ Allow children to set goals, make choices and solve problems. Children need experience in being responsible decision-makers. Involve them in setting household maintenance goals and chores. These can be displayed on a chart on the refrigerator. Encourage children's responsible participation in decisions by presenting them with acceptable choices in food and clothing, time management, television viewing, room decoration and free time activities.

◆ Allow for natural and logical consequences: Children, who do not act responsibly, should experience the effect of their actions. If homework is not done, a television show may be missed so the assignment can be completed before bed. If toys are not put away,

they may be taken until the child demonstrates better care for them. Adolescents not helping with laundry chores may find no clean clothes to wear to a social gathering. A child dawdling in the morning may miss the bus and have to walk to school, or be driven in late and expected to make up missed work.

Saying "no" and setting limits may be the most responsible of parental behaviors.

E-mail questions to info@familycenterweb.org.

Local couple receives award

Grosse Pointers David and Esther Howell were recently honored for their volunteer services to the Wayne State Institute of Gerontology by Molina Healthcare of Michigan.

The Howells have volunteered at the Wayne State Institute of Gerontology for more than four years and currently serve as executive co-chairs of Wayne State's Board of Visitors. Under their leadership and Esther Howell's expertise on aging issues and David Howell's business experience, more than \$1 million dollars have been raised to enhance community outreach and education as well as to fund research in aging and neuroscience and the field of disability and aging.

Both retired, the Howells participate on numerous boards



David and Esther Howell

and social agencies that seek to impact higher education and provide social services to the aging. They have been members of the East Area Chamber of Commerce, the Family Life Education Council of Grosse Pointe, the Oakland University Continuum Center — Mental Health & Aging Advisory Committee, the Detroit Area Agency on Aging and Walter P. Reuther Senior Centers.

Additionally, Esther Howell serves as an elder and David

Howell serves as treasurer and trustee of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

The Molina Healthcare of Michigan Community Champions Awards were created in 2006 to recognize "everyday heroes." Its goal is to honor individuals and support agencies that "inspire others through selflessness, extraordinary service and contributions that positively affect the health, well-being and lives of those around them."

"We are privileged to recognize these dedicated champions, who have gone above and beyond consistently to fill vital needs in our community," said Jesse Thomas, president of Molina Healthcare of Michigan. "Esther and David Howell have a spirit of selflessness, commitment, and caring."

Free stroke screening at St. John Hospital on May 7

St. John Hospital and Medical Center is offering free stroke screening from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, May 7, 14 and 28 at Pointe Plaza, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

Screenings will include blood pressure measurement, listening for abnormal carotid artery sounds, completion of the Stroke Risk Assessment Form, and an individualized action

plan related to stroke prevention.

In 1989, the National Stroke Association received the Presidential Proclamation recognizing May as National Stroke Awareness Month. Each May, health professionals focus on increasing stroke education, including risk factors, prevention, symptom recognition, and Acting F.A.S.T. (changes in

Face, Arms, Speech and Time).

"We want our community to know that stroke is a medical emergency and to seek emergency care immediately, if they experience any symptoms of stroke. With stroke education, lives can be saved," said Larissa Barclay, nurse practitioner, Care Management at St. John.

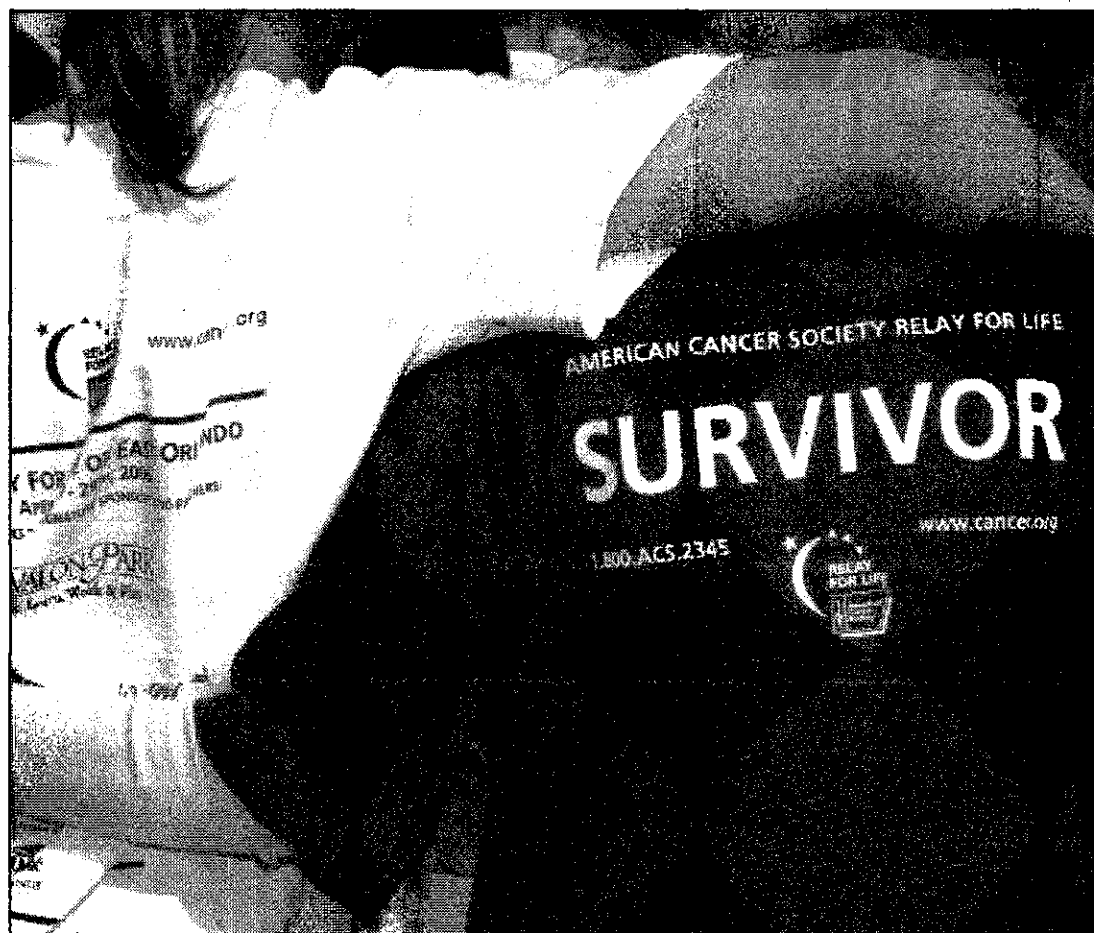
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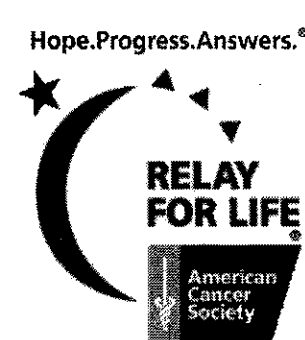
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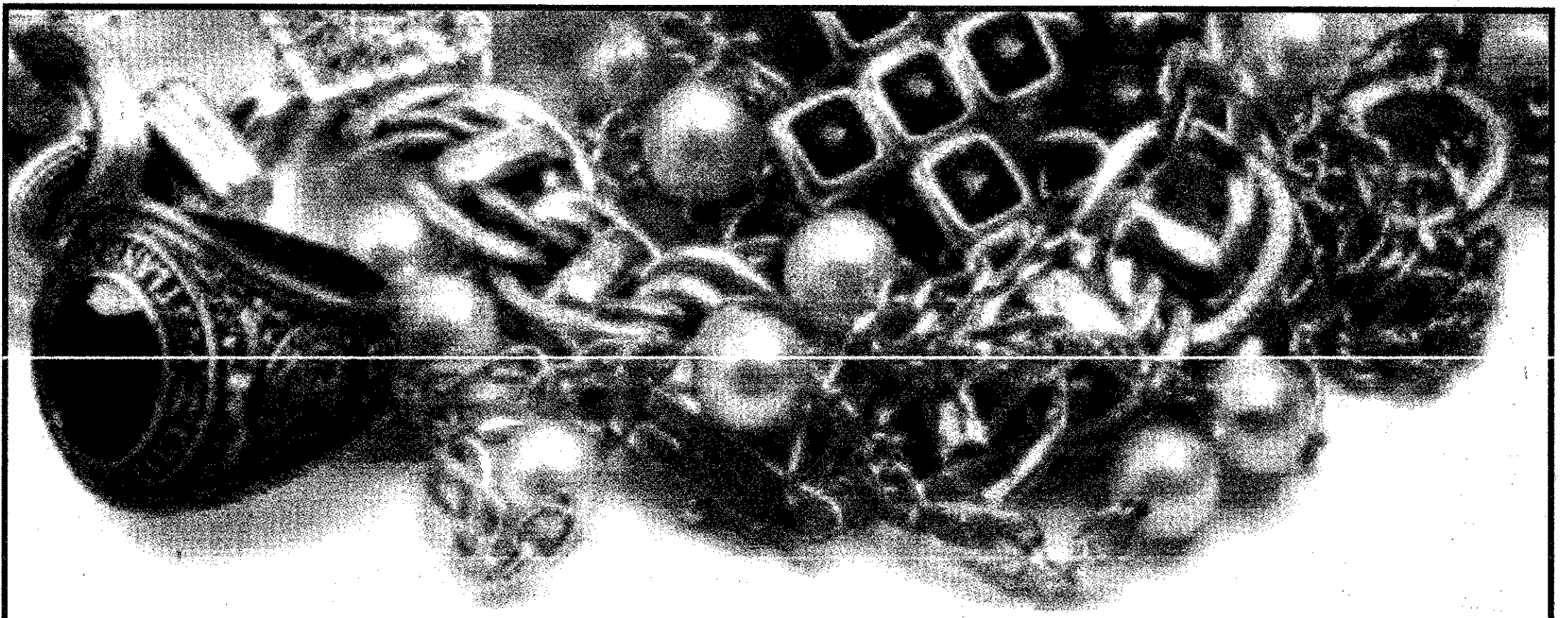
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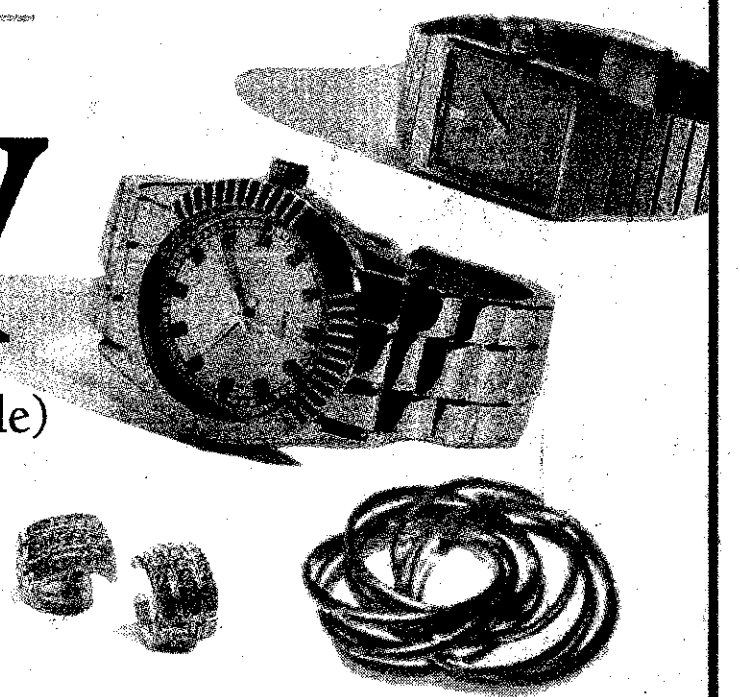
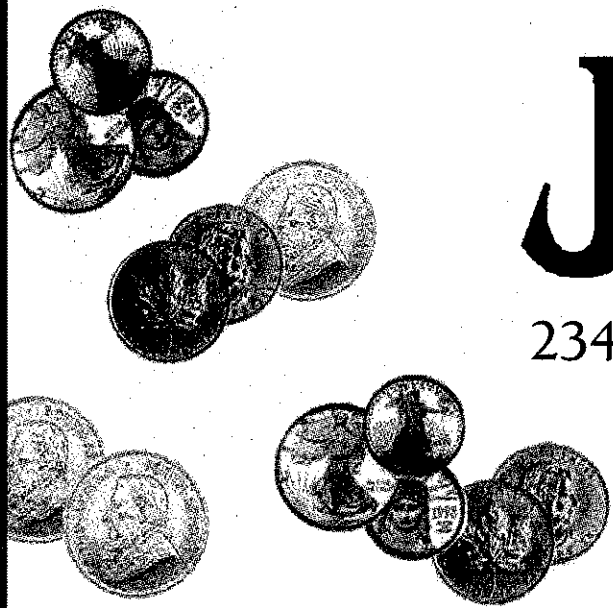
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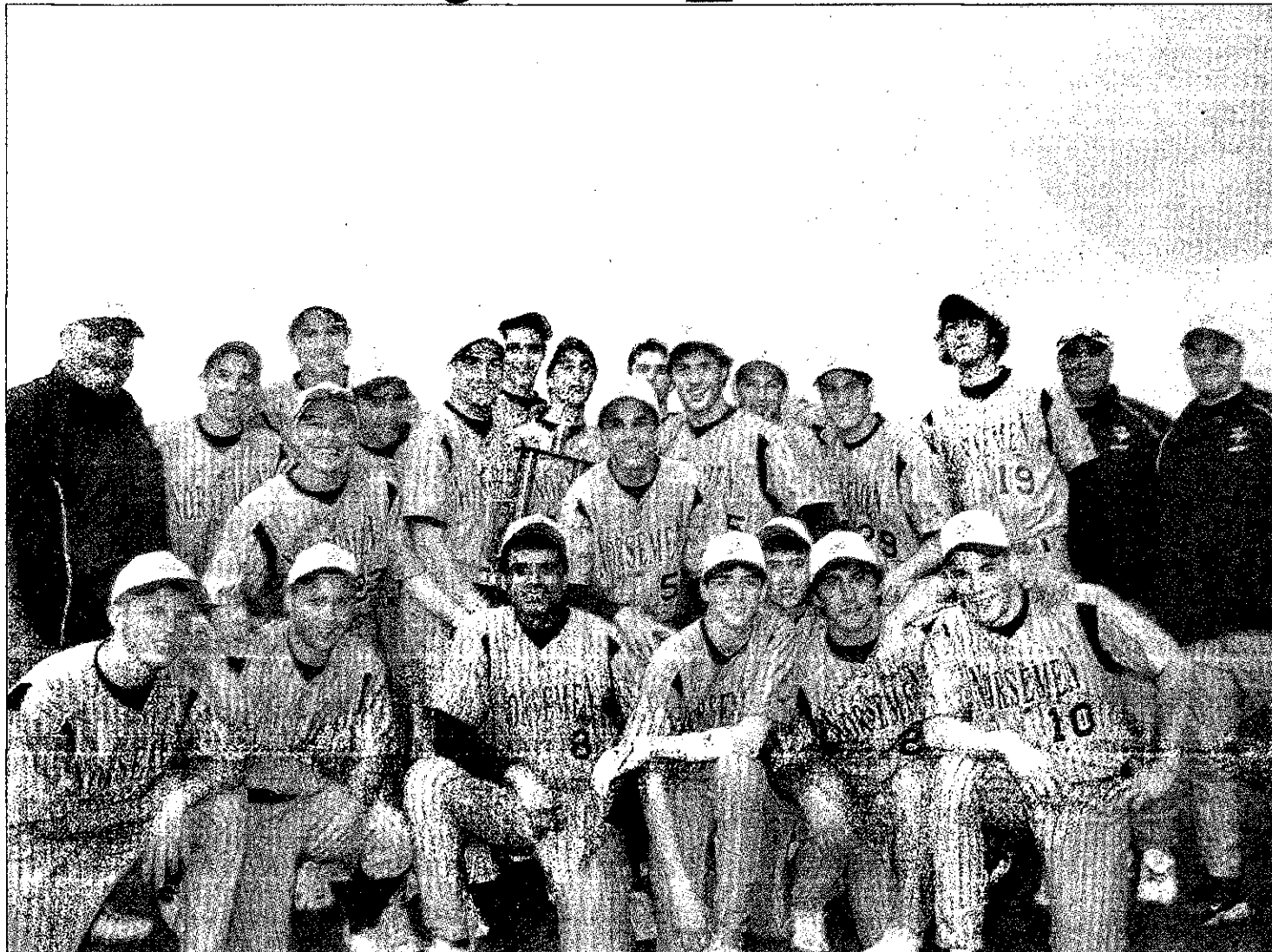
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North girls soccer team blanks fifth straight opponent PAGE 2C

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NORTH BASEBALL

History repeats in tourney



Grosse Pointe North's baseball team and coaches celebrate after winning the Milan Invitational for the second straight season. It happened in similar fashion too, as Nick Cullen hit a game-winning homer and Chris Vens picked up the pitching victory for the Norsemen.

Cullen's late homer drives in deciding runs in finale

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It was deja vu for Grosse Pointe North's baseball team at the Milan Invitational last weekend.

A year ago, the Norsemen won the championship when Nick Cullen hit a walkoff homer to give North a victory against Grandville in the title game.

This year the opponent was different — Milan was the victim — but the result was the same as Cullen's three-run homer snapped a 4-4 tie and gave the Norsemen a 7-4 victory.

And just like a year ago, Chris Vens was the winning pitcher and the beneficiary of Cullen's home run heroics.

"We gave him the nickname 'The Transformer' after his home run last year," said North coach Frank Sumner. "I guess it still fits."

Cullen also drove in a run with a sacrifice fly in the championship game. Other offensive standouts for North were Phil Dilone and Robert Briski with two hits and an RBI apiece and Brett Reardon with two hits.

Vens scattered four hits and struck out four.

The win capped a long, but productive day for the Norsemen.

"We had to leave at 6:45 (a.m.) for an 8:30 game, and we didn't get home until after nine o'clock, so we saw the sunrise and the sunset," Sumner said.

North opened with an 8-3 victory against Plymouth Canton.

Dilone had three hits and two RBIs, while Briski had two hits and drove in three runs.

The winning pitcher was Nathan Lewis, who pitched the last five innings in relief.

"His pitching turned out to be the turning point because we lost the next game 6-0 to Grandville," Sumner said.

Wildness plagued North's pitchers in the Grandville game as they allowed only three hits but issued eight walks.

The Norsemen had six hits but couldn't score. They loaded the bases with one out in the first inning, but the next two batters were out on fly balls.

Monday, North opened the

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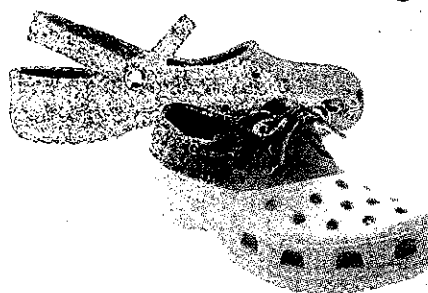
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Another shutout for Norsemen



Marianna Kouskoulas scored two goals for Grosse Pointe North in its 7-0 victory against Port Huron Northern.

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The only goal celebrations Grosse Pointe North's girls soccer team has been seeing these days are their own.

The Norsemen posted their sixth straight victory and fifth consecutive shutout on Monday with a 6-0 victory against Romeo. North is ranked third in the state in Division I and the Norsemen climbed to 30th in the national ranking services.

Once again, North's Olivia Stander proved that she is a force to be reckoned with as she scored four goals to increase her season total to 13.

Romeo tried some physical tactics in hopes of stopping Stander, along with Chelsea Detrick, Nikki Capizzo, Sami Filippelli, Shauna Davisson and Marianna Kouskoulas, but they were in vain.

Stander scored the game's first goal on a corner pass that careened into the Bulldogs' net. A short time later, Stander hit the net again on a header from Kouskoulas.

North's passing and shot-making skills controlled the game through the first 40 minutes.

Detrick and Filippelli made several fine passes to set up North's rapid-fire scoring machine. Filippelli assisted on Stander's third straight goal to make it 3-0.

Romeo's goalie made some excellent saves to prevent even more North scoring.

Detrick dribbled past four Bulldogs defenders to score North's fourth goal. It soon became 5-0 when Paula Kennedy, who missed two games because of illness, scored on an assist from Davisson.

Stander capped the scoring with her fourth of the game after taking a pin-point pass from Kennedy.

Holly Spencer was perfect in goal once again for the Norsemen, stopping all eight shots. The only two goals allowed by North this year came in the season opener against Avondale.

She was aided by the defensive ball-hawking of Alyssa Bruno, Ally Everett, Alex Filippelli, Megan Herbst and Kennedy.

Last week, North nipped Anchor Bay 1-0 in a defensive

struggle.

Stander scored the game's only goal at the five-minute mark of the first half. Capizzo started the play by gaining control of a loose ball in the mid-field. She made a long pass to Stander, who fired a low left-footed shot past the goal from 20 yards out.

That was the only scoring as the Tars kept four or five defenders back for the entire game.

North midfielders Bruno, Herbst, Detrick and Capizzo played well against the physical style that Anchor Bay brought to the game.

Spencer made nine saves and several other smart plays in recording the shutout.

Earlier, North beat Port Huron Northern 7-0.

Stander led the way with three goals and three assists. Kouskoulas scored two goals, while Davisson had a goal and an assist.

Capizzo scored North's other goal, while Bruno and Sami Filippelli had assists.

Spencer recorded her third shutout.

ULS opens with thriller

There was nothing easy about the home opener for University Liggett School's softball team.

It was also the Metro Conference opener and the opponent was perennial league powerhouse Lutheran North, but it turned out to be a memorable day for the Knights as they rallied for four runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to nip the Mustangs 8-7.

It was also a day to remember for ULS freshman Carrie Chouinard, who singled home the winning run in her first varsity start.

North scored four times in the top of the first inning on an RBI single by Kari Wangelin, a two-run double by Anna Reinke and a ULS error. The Mustangs added to more runs in the second to go up 6-0.

ULS got one run back in the bottom of the second. Kristin Peterson singled and moved to second on a wild pitch. She eventually scored after a sacrifice by Megan Amicucci and a passed ball.

After Lutheran North scored a run in the top of the third, the Knights answered with two in the bottom of the inning.

Kristen Smitherman walked and Taylor Brown singled. Both scored on Ke'Ana Bryant's single. ULS cut the lead to 7-4 in the bottom of the fifth when Brown singled and Danielle Vespa drove her home with a long triple to right-center field.

Brown was outstanding on the mound over the last six in-

nings, retiring 21 of the 22 batters she faced. She struck out four and handled five fielding chances.

That set the stage for the exciting finish.

Brown and Vespa walked to start the inning. Bryant followed with a two-run single and stole second. Consecutive walks to Peterson, Amicucci and Janaya Gripper forced in the tying run. That brought up Chouinard, who worked the count to 2-2 before hitting a sharp single to left to score Peterson with the winning run.

ULS's next two Metro Conference games didn't provide as much excitement as the opener with the Knights rolling to easy victories against Hamtramck (22-0) and Lutheran Westland (14-0).

Vespa made her first pitching start against Hamtramck and was nearly perfect. She struck out eight of the 12 batters she faced and didn't allow a hit in the three-inning game. Vespa walked two. The only other putout was a groundball to first baseman Tara Stanley to end the contest.

ULS scored 20 runs in the first inning. Brown got things going with a one-out walk. Vespa doubled and Bryant followed with an RBI single. Peterson and Amicucci walked to load the bases and the next batter struck out. Tara Stanley walked to force in one run, and her sister Laura singled home another run.

The barrage continued with a single by Kinaya Smith, a

double by Brown, a single by Vespa, a walk to Bryant, singles by Peterson and Amicucci, a walk to Gripper, singles the two Stanleys and Smith, a walk to Vespa and singles by Bryant, Peterson and Amicucci. The inning finally ended when a ULS runner was called out for leaving a base early.

Smith drove in the Knights' final runs with a second-inning double.

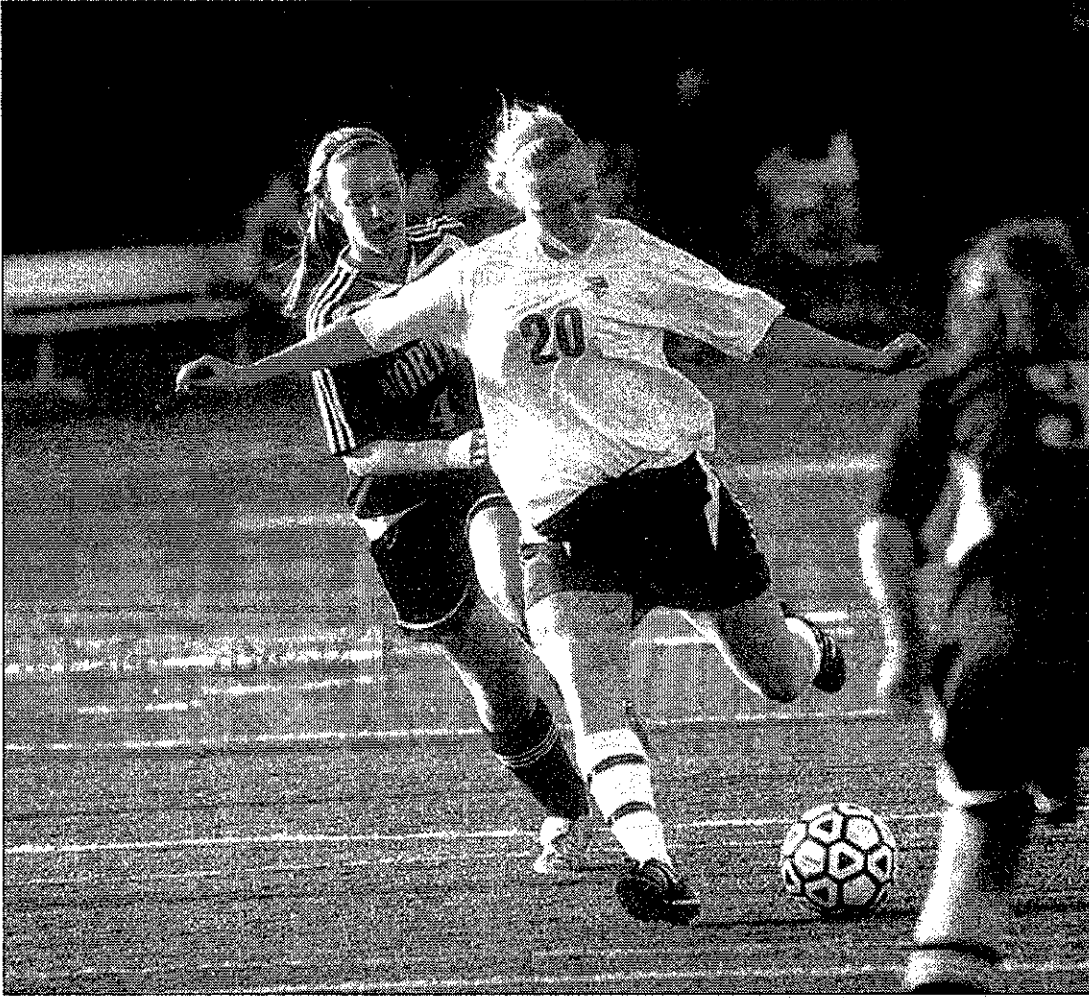
Brown turned in a dominant pitching performance against Lutheran Westland as she pitched a one-hit shutout and struck out nine. She had a no-hitter until Tracy Haller led off the sixth with a double. She walked one.

Brown lowered her ERA to 1.56 after 27 innings.

ULS continued its hot hitting with 19 hits. Vespa scored the only run the Knights needed in the first inning when she singled with two out, moved to second on Bryant's single and scored on a double by Peterson.

ULS increased its lead to 5-0 in the second on RBI singles by Amicucci and Bryant around a two-run double by Vespa.

The Knights scored four more times in the fourth on a single by Brown, a walk to Vespa and consecutive singles by Peterson, Smitherman, Gripper and Smith. ULS wrapped up the scoring with a five-run sixth inning, featuring a long two-run homer by Bryant that cleared the center field fence by several feet.



Olivia Stander had three goals and three assists in North's 7-0 win against Port Huron Northern.

South blanks Chieftains

Grosse Pointe South's girls soccer team awoke from a season-long scoring slump last week to beat Utica 3-0 in a Macomb Area Conference crossover match.

Coach Gene Harkins helped jump-start the team by moving Emma Brush from center mid-field to forward in hopes that her ball control and accurate shooting would generate some offense.

It seemed to work as the Blue Devils took control of the match and kept the ball in the Chieftains' end of the field, but there was no scoring until the 20-minute mark when Chelsea MacGriff one-timed a pass from midfielder Ellen Muniga for South's first goal.

With less than a minute remaining in the first half, hard-working midfielder Rae Sklarski booted a loose ball in-

to the net for a 2-0 lead.

Katherine Corden had touched the ball before Sklarski's kick and was awarded the assist.

South outshot Utica 10-0 in the first half, and goalie Lauren Jacob touched the ball only one time.

The third goal came as Harkins had scripted it.

Brush had an easy goal after Chloe Kirchner did some outstanding work to secure possession of the ball, and put a pass right in front of Brush.

That's when South's bench came in, and Katie Orlicki, C.J. Jarboe, Katherine Bowman, Jackie Farber, Laura Faiver, Megan Ryan, Stephanie McShane and Nicole Stieber played well in reserve roles.

Jacob made three saves to earn her first shutout.

In its final crossover match

of the year, Fraser beat the Blue Devils 3-1.

Although South controlled much of the play, the Blue Devils had trouble finishing, and Ramblers goalkeeper Heather Denaro played a strong game.

Twelve minutes into the match, Fraser's Liz Cancel sent home a 20-yard shot from outside the left corner of the 18-yard line.

The 1-0 lead held up until the 20-minute mark of the second half when Ramblers forward Nicole DeLuca sent a 25-yard shot over Jacob's head.

South cut the lead to one on Farber's penalty kick, but Fraser answered less than a minute later on a goal by Katie Hunt.

Denaro made 12 saves to eight for the Blue Devils' Jacob.

Sprinters spark North track wins

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

It's always good to have depth in the sprints.

"It really pays to have a lot of sprinters," Grosse Pointe North boys track coach Pat Wilson said after his team won a pair of dual meets last week in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and then took first place in the Norsemen Relays.

"You can use your best people in a lot of events. We go into every meet knowing that we're going to score points in the sprints, the long jump and the hurdles, and we're going to be strong in the four relays."

It was an easy victory for the Norsemen in the invitational as they finished with 107 points to 81 for runner-up Sterling Heights.

North took first place in eight of the relays.

"Even though it wasn't as competitive a meet for us as in some years, I was pleased that so many of our top people ran well," Wilson said. "We even had to sub in a couple of the relays and the people who filled

in did a nice job."

In the 4x800-meter relay, North had some outstanding times. Mark Balle ran 10 seconds faster than his best time a year ago, and Dan Surmont equaled his. Corey Rapala and Sean Bourke rounded out the relay with some solid performances.

North's shuttle hurdle relay team of Andrew Charnesky, Mo Hogen, Jamari Henderson and Paul Johnson took first place, as did the discus relay team of Jack Poole, Almir Karamovic and Jermel Nelson-Hunt.

The North team of Adam Devine, Charnesky, Aaron Price and Blest Norris won the 4x200 relay, and Devine, Henderson, Price and Norris took first in the 4x100 relay.

Norris, Henderson, Price and Devine combined for a win in the sprint medley relay, while Balle, Darius Wilcox, Bourke and Matt VanEgmond took a first in the distance medley relay.

Charnesky, Surmont, Devine and Norris won the 4x400 relay.

In a double dual meet last

week, North beat Port Huron Northern 77-60 and the Norsemen defeated Chippewa Valley 84-53.

Norris had an outstanding meet with a first-place time of 22.2 in the 200 dash, and a strong second place finish to a Chippewa runner in the 100.

Norris also anchored the winning 4x200 and 4x100 relay races. Joining him in the 4x200 were Devine, Paul Bramos and Theron Carter, while Carter, Henderson and Price rounded out the 4x100.

North also took first in the other two relays. Balle, Rapala, Bourke and Surmont won the 4x800, and Devine, Charnesky, Surmont and Bramos took first in the 4x400 relay.

Bramos won the 400 dash, Charnesky was first in the 300 intermediate hurdles and Andrew Horne won the high jump.

VanEgmond won the 1,600 run in one meet and was second in the other. Paul Chabot split the pole vault and Price got a first and a second in the long jump. Price's leap of 20 feet, 4 inches was the fourth best in the last four seasons.

Young ULS defenders are solid

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

David Backhurst had to rebuild his entire defense on the University Liggett School girls soccer team, and last week the reconstruction looked outstanding.

The defense corps of sweeper Charlotte Waldmeir and defenders Whitney Baubie, Monica Dretmann and Natalie Peracchio didn't allow a shot on goal as the Knights blanked Hamtramck 4-0 in a Metro Conference game.

"They played real solid," the coach said.

"Waldmeir was a starter last year, but she's new to the all-important sweeper position. She has been playing really well. The other three are all new starters on defense."

The defense kept the game close, because it took some time for the offense to get started.

"We were all over them but we had a hard time scoring," Backhurst said. "Their goalie was a big force in the net, but we missed a lot of open shots. Fortunately, we were playing good defense."

The game was in the 29th minute when ULS scored its

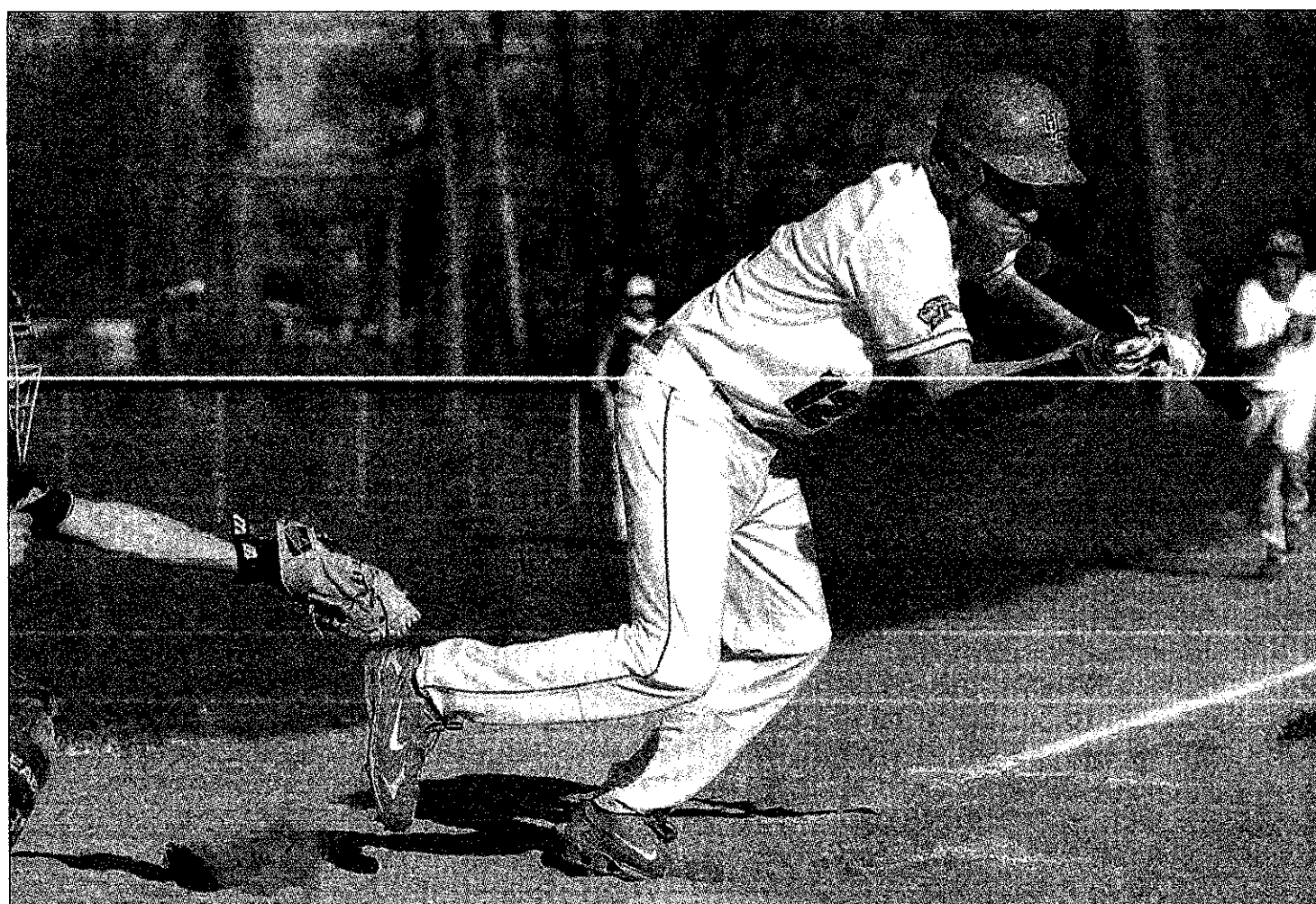
first goal. Waldmeir sent a long pass to Rachel Goldberg, who beat the Cosmos' goalie for her fourth goal of the season.

The first half ended with the Knights leading 1-0.

Twelve minutes into the second half, ULS got a cushion when Hamtramck was called for a handball in the penalty box area. Goldberg converted the penalty kick for a 2-0 lead.

Paige Counsman scored twice for the Knights in the final six minutes.

The first was set up by a pass from Baubie, and the second came after a corner kick by Waldmeir.



Dominic Jamett squeezes home a run against Harper Woods in University Liggett School's 13-3 victory.

Freshmen help Knights

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

A pair of freshman are making quite an impact on University Liggett School's baseball team.

Dominic Jamett and Joseph Simon have both been instrumental in the Knights' 10-0 record and their No. 1 ranking in the state Division IV poll.

"They've filled the voids we needed," said coach Dan Cimini. "They were with me in the summer (on the Grosse Pointe Redbirds) and it prepared them for my coaching style and it gave me the chance to see if they'd be ready to play on the varsity."

"They've both stepped in and the seniors on the team have made them feel comfortable. You don't always see that, but our team is a lot like a family. And Joseph and Dominic have both earned the right to play."

ULS's most recent games showed that. Simon, who plays shortstop for the Knights, celebrated his 15th birthday on Monday with a pair of three-run homers to lead ULS to a 17-4 Metro Conference victory against Lutheran Northwest.

"You couldn't have scripted that one any better," Cimini said.

Last weekend, it was Jamett who played the leading role in a pair of 14-1 victories against Ann Arbor Greenhills. He went 7-for-8 in the doubleheader with three extra-base hits among his total.

"He hit the ball to all parts of the field," Cimini said. "Lots of times with a young kid, he'll hit to one spot, but Dominic hits the ball where it's pitched."

In the Northwest game, ULS got two-run homers from winning pitcher Patrick Gustine and Curtis Fisher. Fisher finished 3-for-3 with three RBIs. Tommy Graves hit a three-run

double for the Knights. Gustine pitched all five innings and struck out seven.

ULS won a pair of Metro Conference games last week, coming from behind to beat Lutheran Westland 10-7 and defeating Harper Woods 13-3.

Fisher hit a three-run homer in the first inning against Westland, and he pitched hitless ball until the fifth inning when the Warriors erupted for seven runs before a batter had been retired. Graves came in and got the three outs, and became the winning pitcher when ULS answered with five runs in the top of the sixth.

The Knights' winning rally started with a leadoff homer by Gustine. After a walk to Michael Thomas, Graves hit an RBI double, and Andrew Malaski hit a run-scoring single to bring ULS within a run. Jamett then hit a two-run homer to give the Knights an 8-7 lead.

ULS scored a pair of insurance runs in the seventh, and Gustine protected the lead with two scoreless relief innings.

Graves pitched a six-inning complete game against Harper Woods, and helped himself with a two-run homer in the first inning.

The Knights broke the game open with six runs in the third inning, featuring a three-run double by Jeremiah Manning and a two-run double by Graves. Manning had three hits in the game.

In the doubleheader sweep of Greenhills, Simon won the first game with four innings of one-hit relief. Gustine hit a three-run homer in the first game.

In the second game, Kippy Faver came up from the junior varsity and pitched a one-hitter. He was supported by three hits from Jamett and two hits apiece from Malaski, Simon, Fisher and Gustine.

North golfers win three of four

Grosse Pointe North's boys golf team improved to 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division with a 153-182 win against Romeo.

Chris Hamilton led the Norsemen with a 36 on the Greystone Golf Course. One stroke behind was Robert Okonowski. Matt Jankowski shot 39 and John Freismuth 41 to complete the North scoring.

North also had wins against Utica Ford II and Grosse Pointe

South. The only loss came to Eisenhower.

"We have four players who are returning from playing in the state finals last season," said coach Brian Stackpoole. "Chris Hamilton is averaging 38.5 in MAC Red matches this year. Chris Zak is our other returning senior, who has shot a 38 this year."

"Both Robert Okonowski and Matthew Jankowski are junior who played at state."

North girls lacrosse loses match with Cranbrook

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe North girls lacrosse team was schooled by highly ranked Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood last week, losing 18-8.

"We played a pretty good first half, but then Cranbrook got its game going in another gear and we couldn't keep up," coach Bill Seaman said. "We knew it would be a tough game. We have some things to work on to be a more consistent team."

Meredith Chicklas, Alexa Quinlan and Molly Youngblood scored two goals apiece to pace the host Lady Norsemen.

Seaman's squad fell to 2-2 overall. North plays at Detroit Country Day on Thursday, April 24.

NORTH: Win MAC opener, 7-4

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Macomb Area Conference White Division season with a 7-4 victory against L'Anse Creuse North.

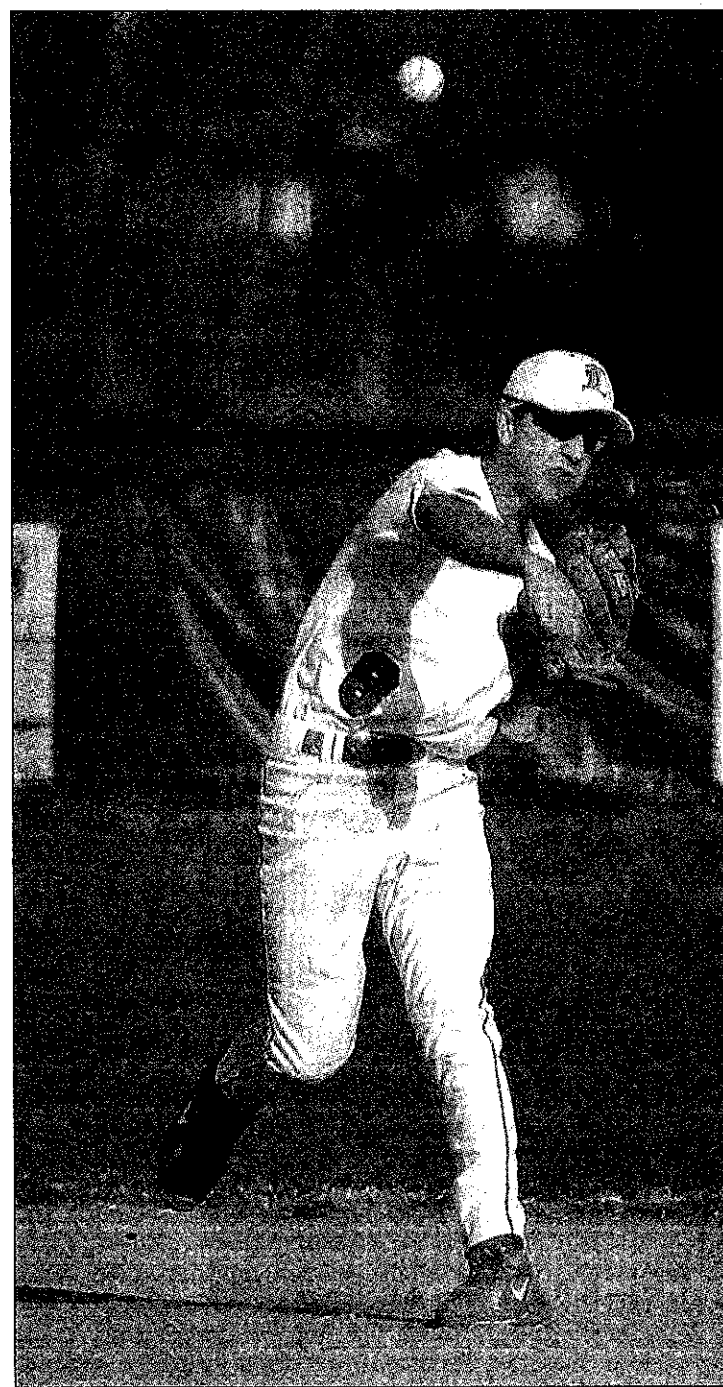
The bottom of the batting order did most of the damage for the Norsemen.

"Our six through nine hitters drove in six runs and had eight hits," Sumner said.

Lewis, batting seventh, had three hits, including a pair of doubles, scored two runs and stole a base. Reardon, batting eighth, had two hits and two RBIs and two stolen bases. Vens, hitting in the ninth spot, had two hits and drove in two runs. Matt Blunden, hitting in the No. 6 slot, had a hit, scored twice and drove in a run.

Joshua Cok allowed only one hit in six innings and struck out 10. Kevin Remus pitched the seventh.

North is 9-3 overall.



Joseph Simon celebrated his 15th birthday with a pair of three-run homers.

South boys track team beats Big Reds

A victory in the final relay gave Grosse Pointe South's boys track team its first victory of the season, a 73-64 win against Chippewa Valley.

Colin Nugent, Dan Holley, Edwin Gay and Mike Bellovich teamed up to win the 1,600-meter relay in 3:52.1.

Gay took first in the 1,600 run (4:43) and the 3,200 run (10:00). Tim Quinn won both hurdles races and the high jump.

Will Quinn, Stephen Fox, Michael Dziuba and Fred Schaibel won the 3,200 relay in 9:31.2, and Reid Dixon, Will Reeves, Dan Sutton and Bellovich took the 800 relay in 1:41.2.

Bellovich scored in two events and two relays. Jack Davies won the 800 and was second in the 1,600.

Phil Lewis won the shot put with a throw of 48 feet, and he took second in the discus.

Alex Blondell and Davis Logan tied for first in the pole vault.

Third-place finishes came from Joel Gilpin, 3,200 run; J. Goodwyn, 100; Lars Hamre, 1,600; Holley, long jump; and Ethan Madison, pole vault.

Kevin Lynch was second in the 3,200, and Nugent took second in the 400.

South had only nine boys score against a strong Romeo squad in a 95-42 defeat.

The Bulldogs' 3,200 relay team came from 100 meters behind to nip the Blue Devils by nine seconds.

Romeo won all four relays and had a pole vaulter clear 11-6.

South's distance team of Gay, Gilpin, Davies and Lynch remained unscored upon in the 3,200 run as they swept the event.

Gay won the 1,600 and the 3,200. Tim Quinn had another triple win with firsts in both hurdles and the high jump.

Reid Fragel was second in the shot put and third in the discus.

Other third places came from Lewis in the shot put; Holley, long jump; and Bellovich, 400.

South opened the season with an 88-49 loss to a strong Anchor Bay team.

Tim Quinn won the high hurdles in 16.6 and was first with a 5-6 effort in the high jump.

Lewis won the shot put (46-3) and the discus (128-0).

Dixon, Alex Acton, Sutton and Bellovich won the 800 re-

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The Little Caesars Adams Division playoff championship was one of several trophies won by the Bulldogs this season.

Bulldogs had a fine year

Ever since the calendar turned into 2008, the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association Bulldogs '98 have been winning championships.

It started in January with the Niagara Falls Blizzard Cup Challenge. It continued with the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association District 3 playoffs. And it ended with a 4-1 victory against the Lansing Capitals in the final game of the Little Caesars Squirt A Adams playoffs.

The Capitals scored early in the first period, but with 12 seconds remaining in the period the Bulldogs' Mac Welscher

scored to tie the game. Luke Taber and Harrison Wujek assisted on Welscher's goal.

The scoreless second period belonged to the goalies, but early in the third period, Wujek broke the deadlock with a goal that was set up by Griffin Brooks and Brendan Cauvel.

With about three minutes remaining, the Bulldogs' Michael French was tripped on a breakaway attempt and was awarded a penalty shot. French converted to give Grosse Pointe a 3-1 lead.

Mac Cimmarrusti completed the scoring with an empty-net goal, assisted by Taber and J. P.

Navetta.

Bulldogs goalie Josh Wilk was named the game's MVP.

Other members of the Bulldogs squad who contributed to the team's success were Stephen Kent, Kurt Solak, Max Taber, Andrew Tomasi and Marshall Vyletel.

Rick Kent, Mark Brooks, Al Taber, Geoff Welscher and Paul Wilk were the coaches. The team was sponsored by Mark Brooks-Allstate Insurance Agency, Vyletel Buick Volkswagen and Majestic Capital Management (Cimmarrusti and Gray Investments).

South loses first

Grosse Pointe South's bid for a perfect season in girls lacrosse came to an end with a 10-8 loss against Ann Arbor Pioneer on Monday.

With both goalies unable to play, coach Lauren Germaine looked to captain Ashley Thibodeau to man the South net. Thibodeau played well in her new position, but her absence in the field seemed to upset the entire offensive flow. South forced passes and never got its game going.

Annie Shepard scored a hat trick, but it wasn't enough to keep the Blue Devils from falling to 4-1.

South's potent offense was stymied most of the game, but its stellar defense shut down Pioneer for most of the first half.

Shepard put the Blue Devils up 1-0 five minutes into the game on an eight-yard direct shot and Anne Basse converted a steal and a pass from Molly Smith at 9:55 to make it 2-0. Even then, it was apparent that the Blue Devils' offense lacked its usual rhythm.

Pioneer came back with three goals in five minutes to take a 3-2 lead. Shepard tied the game at 3-3 on another direct shot, but that was as close as South would get.

Pioneer led 4-3 at halftime and scored the first goal of the second half. Smith scored on a wraparound at the 22-minute mark, but Pioneer answered with another goal to make it 6-4.

It looked like South might catch a break when the Ann Arbor goalie fouled Katherine Palms and vacated the net to give Palms an empty-net direct shot. Pioneer scored 30 seconds later to make it 7-5.

By the 11-minute mark, the Pioneers led 9-5. Smith scored her second goal of the game for South to make it 9-6. After Pioneer scored with 1:41 left, Shepard and Lindsay Thibodeau scored for the Blue Devils in the last 1:15.

Earlier, South beat University Liggett School 22-5.

Shepard scored from the opening draw, had a hat trick by the six-minute mark and finished with seven goals.

After South led 8-0, ULS got goals from Jacqueline Nicholas, Maggie Zinkel and Liz Smith, but the Blue Devils finished the first half with an 11-3 advantage.

Basse scored from the opening draw of the second half and eventually went up 14-3 before the Knights got goals from Smith and Nicholas.

Palms, Christie Greiner and Smith had three goals apiece for South. Lindsay Thibodeau scored twice and Ashley Thibodeau, Melanie Parke, Basse and Michelle Martinelli added one goal each.

ULS GIRLS TENNIS

Knights win own tourney

University Liggett School's girls tennis team won all three matches in five of the eight flights to take first place in the four-team invitational hosted by the Knights.

ULS had 19 points, followed by Almont with 12 points, Grosse Pointe North with 9 and Regina with 8.

ULS earned first place medals in first, third and fourth singles, and in third and fourth doubles.

At No. 1 singles, Catherine Vatsis capped a perfect day with a 6-1, 6-0 win over Regina's Lindsey Raver.

"Catherine showed again how mentally tough she is by handily winning all three of her matches," said coach Cathy Hackenberger. "Winning 6-1, 6-0 at the end of the day showed that her concentration was still strong."

"At No. 3 singles, Claire Peracchio was unstoppable. Claire won all of her matches in less than an hour and lost only three games over those three matches."

"She beat (Grosse Pointe North's) Nicole Hanley a decisive 6-0, 6-0. That's an incredible feat and showed that she stayed in each and every point."

Varsity newcomer Sophie Mair won all three of her matches at No. 4. She beat Almont's Sierra Grant in straight sets, losing only two games, and she beat North's

Rachel Brusstar 6-3, 6-1.

"Our doubles team at No. 3, Medea Shanidze and Nicole Smith, had strategy and net savvy to defeat every team they met," Hackenberger said.

Their toughest match came against the quick Regina team of Annie McNeill and Tracy Hrabovsky, but the ULS girls won 6-4, 6-4.

At No. 4 doubles, Sarah Pollick and Ellie Ottaway won two three-set matches. They beat North's Kristen Sheridan and Sarah McPharlin 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; then beat Regina in three sets and closed out the day with a 6-0, 6-4 win against Laurie Yaklin and Brooke Streber of Almont.

Competition at No. 2 doubles was very even with some long matches. North won three-set matches against Almont and Regina, but the Norsemen lost 6-2, 6-2 to ULS's Kate Shannon and Morgan Ellis. It was the second win of the tournament for the ULS team.

At No. 2 singles, the Knights' Jamie Bow started the meet with a tough 6-4, 7-5 loss to Almont's Michelle Fox, but came back to beat North's Becky Butler 6-0, 6-0 and Regina's Clare Furuta 6-2, 6-0.

The No. 1 doubles team of Sarah McCuish and Julia Brennan didn't win, but lost several long, close matches, including a 6-4, 7-6 (7-4) loss to Regina's Melissa Raffoul and Rachel Gervais.

SOUTH GIRLS TENNIS

Blue Devils are dominant

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

She won 6-2, 6-2 and 6-0, 6-2, and also won one match by default.

It would probably be easy for Grosse Pointe South's girls tennis team to get overconfident, but coach Mark Sobieralski is sure it won't happen.

"You'd think we'd have to guard against overconfidence, but I love their focus," Sobieralski said after the Blue Devils blanked Macomb Area Red Division opponents Eisenhower and Port Huron Northern 9-0 and won every flight at the Grand Haven Invitational last weekend.

"Nobody wants to be the one to lose a match, in fact they don't even want to give up a game. It's a good kind of pressure that they put on themselves. It's a team sport with a lot of individual concepts. Everybody is pulling for one another to keep playing at a high level."

Sobieralski expects his team to get some tough tests this weekend when South competes in the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational.

"We'll be tested at every flight," he said. "We haven't faced Rochester or Clarkston yet, and they're strong in singles, and Pioneer is always strong in doubles."

The Chupa sisters won the first three singles flights at Grand Haven.

At No. 1, Angela Chupa breezed to 6-1, 6-1; 6-1, 6-0, 6-1, 6-3 victories. At No. 2, Mary Chupa lost only two games, while Carolyn Chupa didn't lose a game in winning the third singles flight.

It was just as easy for Sarah VanWalleghem at No. 4 singles.

South was just as dominant in doubles.

Melanie Capuano and Mary Kate Hayden lost a total of four games at No. 1. Lizzy Hyde and Victoria Grams won 6-1, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1, and 6-1, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles.

The toughest match of the day came at No. 3 doubles where South's Kate Brennan and Julie Wittwer prevailed 6-3, 6-2 against Grand Haven. Brennan and Wittwer won their other two matches 6-1, 6-0 and 6-0, 6-0.

Molly Lynch and Stephanie Skau lost only three games at No. 4 doubles and the No. 5 doubles team of Carla Schmidt and Emily Lynch dropped only two games at No. 5 doubles.

In South's 9-0 win against Eisenhower, Angela Chupa beat the Eagles' Tara Hayes 6-3, 6-0 at No. 1 singles.

"Tara was a semifinalist at the state meet last year, and Angela beat her easily," Sobieralski said. "This is Eisenhower's best team in years and we beat them 9-0. That shows how well we're playing right now."

Mary Chupa, Carolyn Chupa and VanWalleghem lost a combined three games in their singles matches.

The Blue Devils were just as dominant in doubles where the five teams lost a combined four games.

In the match against PHN, South lost only 11 games in nine matches.

"Those figured to be the two toughest teams we'll play in the league," Sobieralski said of the Eagles and Huskies.

Aerobics classes begin

The Fitness Firm will begin a seven-week series of low-impact aerobics classes on Monday, April 28 at the First English Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Classes are Mondays and

Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. Participants may attend any or all classes for the \$63 fee. For more information, call (313) 886-7534.

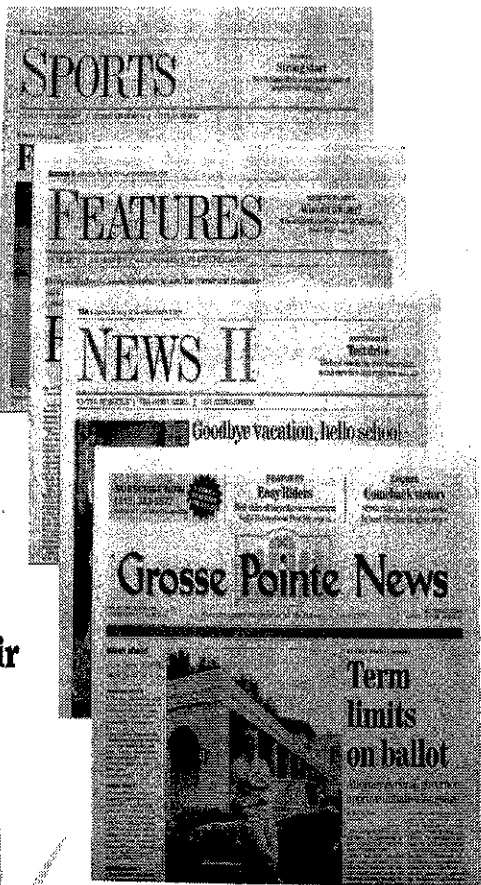
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South girls stay unbeaten in track

The Grosse Pointe South's girls track team achieved near perfection in the running events as the Blue Devils rolled past Romeo 102-35 in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet.

"While we had a narrow 23-22 advantage in the field events, we really shined on the track, outscoring Romeo 71-3 in the sprints, distance and relays," said coach Steve Zaraneck. "We looked very, very sharp."

The distance runners took all but one of the available points.

Jeannie Hollerbach won the 1,600 and 3,200-meter runs. Teammate Danika Stone ran to two second-place finishes, placing behind Hollerbach in the 1,600 and just behind Katie Steen in the 800. In addition to winning the 800, Steen leaped to a second-place in the long jump and helped the 3,200 and 1,600 relay teams to victories.

Bridget Dennehy was second in the 3,200, while Bethany Cavanagh was third

in the 800.

In other field event action, Pilar Mackey won the high jump with Clare Conway a close second. Ali Merritt won the pole vault and freshman Sydney Burke was third.

Chelsea Gilbert, who leads the Blue Devils in points, added to her total with seconds in the shot put and the discus.

South's sprinters excelled as Megan DeBoer and Amanda Ray finished 1-2 in the 100 dash. Christine Nelson and Larissa Petrovic took the top two places in the 400 dash.

South swept the 200 with Jamie Steis, Stephanie Wong and Kim Grambo.

Kathy Kosinski and Kathleen Nelson were instrumental in helping the Blue Devils win all four relays. Katharine Zurek, Aniela Schacht and Sarah Youngblood provided South with 2-3 finishes in both hurdles races.

Excellent sprint performances were turned in by Chrissy Chatman, Charlotte

Dossin, Katharine Schmidt, Ali Zeltowski, Youngblood, Aundrea Hamilton, Veronica Reeber and Harper Pizzamenti.

Fine distance efforts came from Katie Lanza, Nanette Motschall, Claire Dossin, Molly Robinson, Jane Harness, Emily Zhao, Sarah Flowers and Margaret Levasseur.

Excellent jumps and throws in the field events came from Erin Shoemaker, Allie Choma, Michele Miller, Courtney Maynard, Alethia Davenport, Alyssa Carr, Caitlin Rivers, Milissa Nurre and Tina DeLoreto.

Three of South's junior varsity relay teams defeated Romeo's varsity teams. They were the 400 relay team of Reeber, Wong, Katherine Dossin and Theresa Zettner; the 1,600 relay team of Merritt, Lanza, Schacht and Pizzamenti; and the 3,200 relay team of Tess Sheldon, Harness, Burke and Zhao. South is 4-0 in dual meets.

ULS outlasts Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North's boys lacrosse team played city rivals University Liggett School and Grosse Pointe South on consecutive days last week.

The Knights got the upper hand in the first battle, winning 11-10, despite taking an 11-5 lead into the final quarter.

"We never got it going until the fourth quarter," said North coach Dan Preston. "We have struggled to put together four continuous quarters."

"It was an exciting game," said ULS coach Chris Hartley. "Both teams battled evenly throughout the first half."

"We had to hang on, but we did it and earned a nice win."

The Knights led 4-3 at the half and stretched it to 11-5 after the third period.

It was all Norsemen in the final quarter. They scored five unanswered goals to make it interesting.

ULS won the face-off after North scored to make it 11-10. The home team was able to control the ball to run out the clock.

Mike Burchi led the Knights with five goals. Mike McCoy added three goals and Steven Coval had two goals and two assists.

The Norsemen were led by Brandon Davenport with five goals.

North had little time to relax as it hosted South the following night.

Preston's squad put its game into overdrive in the fourth quarter, erasing a 7-5 deficit to win 12-10 on the road.

"To come from behind and beat a rival and a good team in South is something special," Preston said. "I hope this win gets us over the hump."

Blue Devils attackman Sam Mott scored in the first minute of the fourth quarter to give the home team a three-goal cushion, 8-5.

It was all North after that as Davenport and James Tocco scored to make it an 8-7 game.

Mott tallied at the 7:24 mark to make it 9-7. Davenport and Tocco teamed up for a second straight time to tie it 9-9 with 5:44 left in the game.

Evan Welch scored to give the Blue Devils their final lead of the game, 10-9, with only 3:36 left on the clock.

Joe Youngblood scored at 2:58 and Ian LaValley tallied the game-winning goal 42 seconds later.

Nathan Brewington scored an insurance goal with 1:16 left.

"We haven't been as consistent as I would like us to be," said South coach Don Wolford. "I'm hoping the guys can turn it around."

The Blue Devils built their 7-5 lead, thanks to Mott's three

goals. Alex Langton also had three goals and Peter Stern had one in the opening three periods.

For the Norsemen, Youngblood and Tocco had two goals apiece in the first three quarters, and Jeremy Payton had one.

Each of the three squads competed Saturday, April 19, with Grosse Pointe North winning its second straight game, beating visiting Waterford 14-6.

"We got a lot of touches for everyone in the game and everyone saw a lot of playing time," Preston said.

LaValley and Tocco paced the Norsemen, scoring four and three goals, respectively.

North evened its record at 3-3 with the victories.

South rebounded from the loss to defeat Bloomfield Andover 15-9.

Mott and Welch led the way, tallying seven and three goals, as the Blue Devils improved to 4-2.

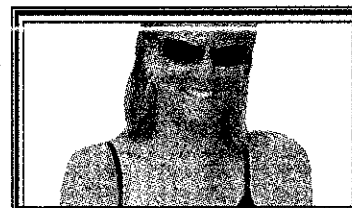
ULS wasn't as fortunate, dropping its first game of the season, 13-7 at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

McCoy, Coval and Tim Boll scored two goals apiece for ULS, while Burchi had a goal and two assists.

"It's a tough team on its home field; so this is a test for us," said Hartley, whose Knights fell to 4-1.

ON SAIL By Sandra Svoboda

Bayview to host match race event



After skippering in his first match racing event, Peter Wickwire couldn't quite believe what happened.

"I'm still on Cloud Nine," he told me Monday night.

Wickwire, who hails from the Royal Canadian Yacht Club in Toronto, came to Detroit last weekend for the Bayview Spring Match Racing Invitational. His buddy and fellow Canadian, Jeremy Lucas, raced in the event last year, and Wickwire thought he'd give match racing a try. Lucas is helping to start a program at their home club and Wickwire wants to be part of it.

"It's really a case of get on board or be passed by," Wickwire said.

This year, the Spring Invitational served as a qualifying event for a new regatta, the Bayview International Match Race for the Detroit Cup to be sailed May 8-11. That event, sponsored by the Toyota Motor Co., will be one of the three most prestigious match racing events in North America this year with teams from Russia, Argentina, New Zealand, Italy and throughout the United States coming here.

Chris Van Tol, of Grosse Pointe Park, ranked as the No. 1 match racer in the United States has been invited. So has Adam Hollerbach of Grosse Pointe Farms, who hovers between about sixth and tenth in the national rankings. (Full disclosure: I sail with him.)

Both were racing in last weekend's Spring Invitational for the experience - and admittedly some bragging rights. Van Tol won and Hollerbach was second.

But for the other six skippers in the eight-team fleet, there

was much more at stake. The highest finisher among them would get a berth in the Detroit Cup and a chance to race against some of the world's best match racers.

"Earning the final berth in the Detroit Cup wasn't even something we had considered," Wickwire said. "We just hoped to keep the races close."

All of Wickwire's competitors had match racing experience and had International Sailing Federation rankings - some in the top 25 in the United States.

But Wickwire? Inexperienced. Untested. Unranked.

"We were there to learn, make new friends and get some event experience to grow on," he said.

Sure, he'd helped the RCYC team prepare for the Canada's Cup sailing as training crew, and he sailed in the Little America's Cup last summer. But he'd never helmed in an event. Never raced an Ultimate 20. And he had met - one member of his crew before they left Toronto Friday afternoon.

The eight teams last weekend each raced against each other once in a round robin format. Wickwire's regatta certainly wasn't perfect. When assigned to the starboard side of the starting area in his first race, he entered from port. In a later race, he was assessed penalty points for a collision.

His crew had to work out the tricky intricacies of the Ultimate 20 that can trip up sailors familiar with the boats. Judging by the volume of his voice, there was frustration.

But when he finished racing, he had five of seven possible wins though he had been assessed a half-point penalty for the collision giving him 4.5 points for the regatta. He was a half point ahead of Port Huron's Eric Vigrass who had four wins and no penalties, but Vigrass had one race left when Wickwire was done sailing.

If Vigrass won that race, he

would go to the Detroit Cup. If he lost, Wickwire would.

Wickwire watched from shore as Vigrass faced Van Tol, clearly the top skipper. But Vigrass's crew included Brad Boston, a Canadian Olympian and Ultimate 20 national champion.

After the start, the teams beat upwind and into the Detroit River current, and they were close. They aggressively tacked at and away from each other with Vigrass finally gaining a significant lead before the windward mark after he got more breeze inshore than Van Tol had further in the river.

Wickwire buried his head in his hands. It seemed to be approaching midnight for this Cinderella in a life jacket.

"It's a long race," another spectator told him. "Don't count Van Tol out yet."

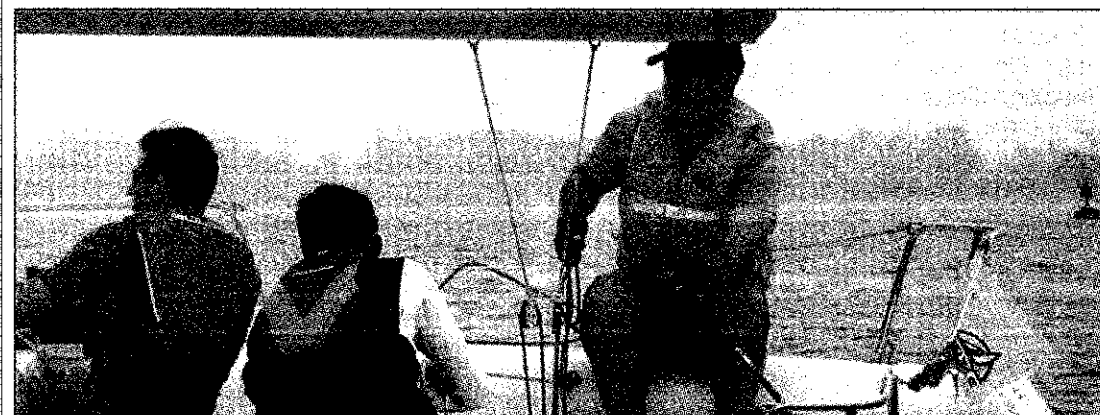
When the boats crossed the finish line, it was Van Tol with the win. He had a better mark roundings, great speed, and nipped Vigrass. Wickwire and his crew hugged, cheered and celebrated like sailors.

"We're a pleasantly surprised team with a very big learning opportunity next month in the Detroit Cup," Wickwire said. "We have no secret game plan, but we will be doing a lot of sailing between now and then."

At the awards ceremony on Sunday, Bayview Yacht Club Commodore (turned fairy godmother) Tim La Riviere handed the ecstatic Wickwire and his crew of Billy Gooderham and Trevor Parekh T-shirts printed with "2008 Detroit Cup" and officially invited the team to "the ball."

The Canadians will be back in a few weeks to sail against some of the world's best. "We'll work on showing ourselves well and executing the fundamentals as best we can," Wickwire said.

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Peter Wickwire had success on Lake St. Clair



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Grosse Pointe North's James Tocco, No. 10, played a big part in the Norsemen's upset of Grosse Pointe South, scoring four goals and three more in a weekend victory over Waterford.

TRACK: Romeo is too strong

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lay in 1:39.5.

Gay and Davies were second and third in the 1,600 run,

while Gay was third in the 800. Gilpin won the 3,200 run in 10:10, Lynch was second, with Davies taking third.

Blondell won the pole vault.

Another second came from Nugent in the 400. Rob DeClercq was third in the high jump and the 100; Dixon was third in the long jump; and Deonta Bryant was third in the high hurdles.

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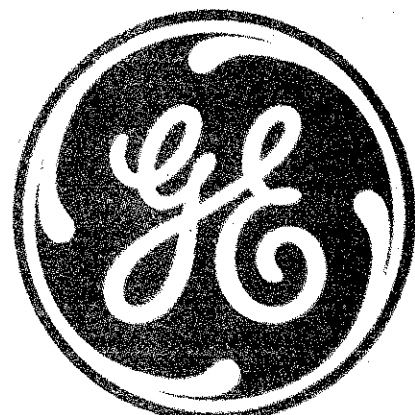
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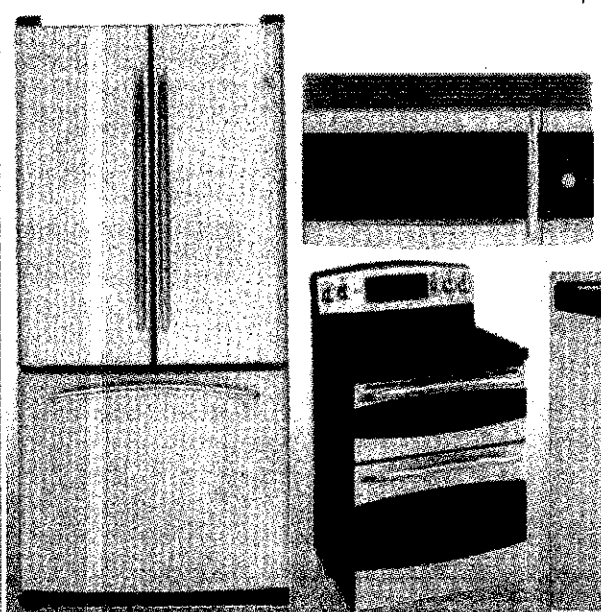
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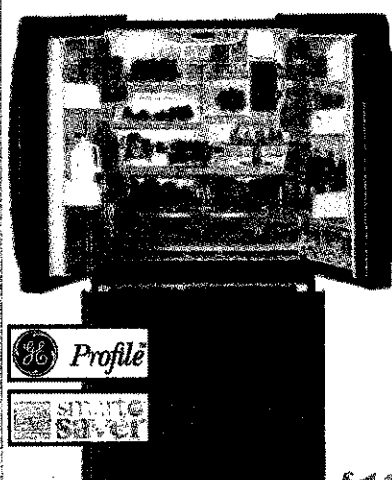
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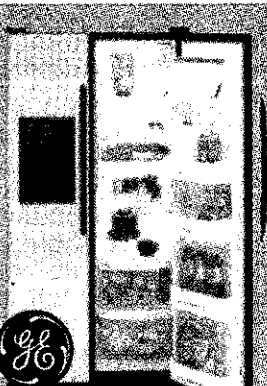
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