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Week ahead

THURSDAY, MAY 1 ♦ Grosse Pointe South's allschool musical, "Les Miserables," can be seen at

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Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets range from \$9 to \$15 and are available at Posterity: A Gallery in the Village of Grosse Pointe.

7:30 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe

◆ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will hold a forum for the Harper Woods School Board election at 7:30 p.m. at the Harper Woods High School, 20335 Beaconsfield.

FRIDAY, MAY 2

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◆ Free comic book day runs from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the two Comix Corner locations, 32004 Utica, Fraser and 861 E. Auburn, Rochester Hills.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

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MONDAY, MAY 5

Mack Plaza.

◆ Green Feet, folks talking steps for a healthy earth, meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Ewald branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. ◆ The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025

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PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY AND BERNARD BEUTEL

At left, Brian Like, Jay Charvat, Chelsea Smilaek, Gary Marowske, Barbara Thompson and Russell Peebles looked over a piece of history when the Grosse Pointe North time capsule was opened last week. Items from the capsule, above, were displayed during the Fab 40 party held Friday, April 25, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For the story and more pictures, turn to page 21A.

Ground was broken on Lakepointe townhouses

By Beth Quinn Staff Writer

All it took was four men, four shovels and a little dirt to launch a new era of housing for Grosse Pointe Park.

developer Robertson Brothers hosted a express how thrilled we are to ground breaking ceremony for its newest endeavor. The Brownstones at the Park.

Prior to the shovels piercing the dirt, officials spoke about the project's significance for both the developer and the Park.

Paul Robertson Jr., Robertson Brothers' chairman

Spring has

Everything's coming up tulips

James A. and Stephanie

Callahan's house in the 600

block of Rivard. Stephanie

at Wayne County Circuit Judge

Callahan has been reaping the

rewards of spending two sea-

sons planting 4,000 tulip bulbs,

including hundreds of pink impressions, in her front and

back yards. "I love gardening,"

she said. On the other hand, her husband downplayed his

landscaping skills as a "gar-

dener's helper."

sprung

Brownstones fulfills a goal of his family's Bloomfield Hillsbased firm to break into the Grosse Pointe housing market.

"We have been trying to find a Grosse Pointe project for 30 existence," he said. "I want to be in the city."

Robertson Brothers' plans for the Lakepointe site will consist of three buildings two eight-unit and one six-unit terrace dwellings - arranged in a U-shape design, clustered around a central lawn and courtyard.

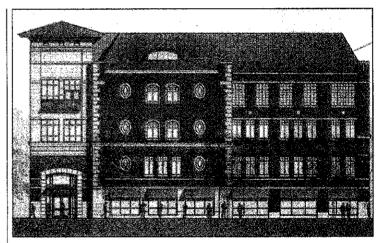
The development is part of

of the board, said the an effort by Park officials to replace older rental housing with new owner-occupied units.

Each of the approximately 1,600 square-foot townhouses will have an attached garage on the ground level, a main On Thursday, April 24, con- of the 40 years we have been in floor living space on the secand floor and bedrooms on the third. Prices range between \$180,000 and \$200,000.

Park Mayor Palmer T. Heenan expressed the hope that the townhouses' affordmovie theater and fitness cen-

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RENDERINGS: VILLAGE INN, LLC

Developers hope to open a five-story hotel in the Village by the end of next year.

Check-in time able price point and the city's recreation facilities such as the municipal lakeside parks,

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

A hotel could be the lure for long-term vibrancy of the Village shopping district.

"It would add another layer of activity to the Village," said Dale Scrace, mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Council members have ordered a six-month study of the marketability of a five-story, 50-room City Flats Hotel complete with conference rooms and 100-seat rooftop restau-

The study is being done with

Village Inn of Grosse Pointe, a limited liability company associated with hotel builders and operators from western Michigan. The Inn's ownership team includes City resident Duncan MacEachern. A list of potential funding sources includes Little Stone Partners of Pointe Woods. Grosse Developers posted \$10,000 toward reimbursement of the city for due diligence and planning costs.

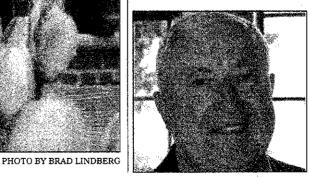
Inn officials propose paying the City \$1 for the land and

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POINTER OF INTEREST

'I believe that nothing ever happens by chance.'

Clark Okulski



Home: Grosse Pointe Park Age: 66 Claim to fame: Neurosurgeon

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NEWS

Yesterday's headlines

◆ CENSUS CANVASS TO **BEGIN**

Expecting an increase of nearly 1,500 residents this year - to a total of more than 63,000 — census takers working for the Grosse Pointe school district will begin their annual job May 12, according to school officials.

The census must be taken each year during the last 20 days of May. Every home in the school district will be visited and all information will be kept in strictest confidence

◆ PLAYGROUND PRO-GRAM STARTS

The initial work on the beautification and improvement of the Gabriel Richard playground started with the planting of 18 trees and bushes.

The entire project, which includes new playground equip- SLIPPED

ment, will cost an estimated \$15,000 and take about three years to complete.

◆ SAFETY PATROL BOYS TO WASHINGTON D.C.

David Bullard of Barnes and Gregory Moser of Mason elementary schools, were named to represent Grosse Pointe safety patrollers at the 22nd National AAA Safety Patrol Rally in Washington, D.C. in May.

The boys will make the fourday all-expense paid trip along with 100 other safety patrollers from the state as guests of the Automobile Club of Michigan They were selected from among 50,000 patrol boys throughout Michigan's 2,200 elementary schools.

25 years ago this week

TEACHERS



1983: Small but mighty It was another classic David and Goliath match up and once again David was the winner. The sight of this little tug pulling a jumbo

ocean freighter behind it on Lake St. Clair Monday afternoon was an inspiration. While you couldn't exactly water ski behind the freighter, the slow and steady pace of the tug soon had both out of sight.



The Grosse Pointe Board of Education last week handed out pink slips to 20 full and part-time teachers.

The pink slips resulted from an administrative recommendation to reduce teaching staff because of sagging enrollment and less state and federal aid.

◆ FROM THE ASHES

An agreement reached between neighbors and a home construction company cleared the way for the construction of a 14,000 square foot dream home for an area doctor and his family.

The home will be built on the lake on the Helin Estate on Windmill Pointe Drive in Grosse Pointe Park, site of Grosse Pointe's most tragic

The home was destroyed in a fire in 1978. Grosse Pointe City Firefighter Richard Tucker was killed while fighting the blaze, when a chimney collapsed on

◆ CITIES FINALLY GET STATE FUNDS

Local governments got good news from the state in the form of checks. The money represents partial payments of deferred state revenue sharing funds held up by the state as part of its budget balancing program.

10 years ago this week

FARMS

KROGER'S PROPERTY The property on the southwest corner of Mack and Moross is one step closer to being put to use, now that Grosse

Pointe Farms has bought the

BUYS

Kroger building. The \$600,000 acquisition completes the city's quest to purchase commercial and resi-

dential property on the block. How the property will be used has yet to be determined.

NEW CONCESSIONS NEW C Grosse Pointe South High SPEEDERS School officials are looking to build a new concession stand

at the school's athletic field. The new building will house the concessions, restrooms, speed cushions between storage shed and a team room Goethe and Charlevoix. for the football team to meet

during halftime. About 70 percent of the building's cost is expected to be paid for by the South Booster Club as well as, the athletic budget and concession sales. The school system will pay for the remaining 30 percent.

Five years ago this week

◆ PARK LIBRARY SITE CLEARED

Demolition of the former Jefferson Chevrolet dealership has begun to make way for construction of a new branch library in Grosse Pointe Park.

Construction is set to begin this spring at the site at Lakepointe and Jefferson.

♦ BON SECOURS TO **RAZE CONDOS**

Fourteen condominiums will give way to 112 new parking spots for Bon Secours Hospital.

The hospital was awarded four variance requests from the City of Grosse Pointe City Council to construct the lot at the corner of Cadieux and Jefferson.

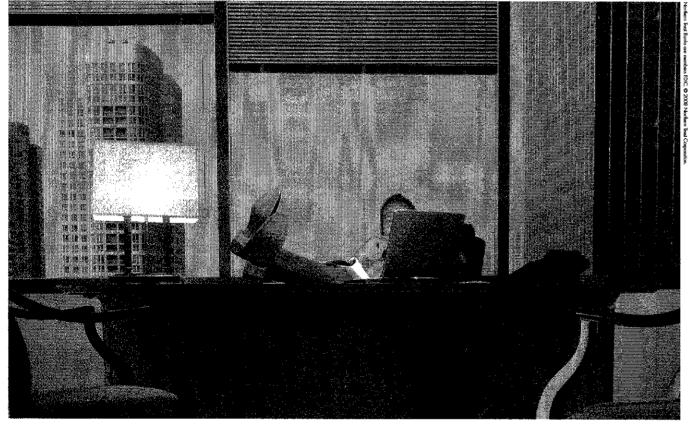
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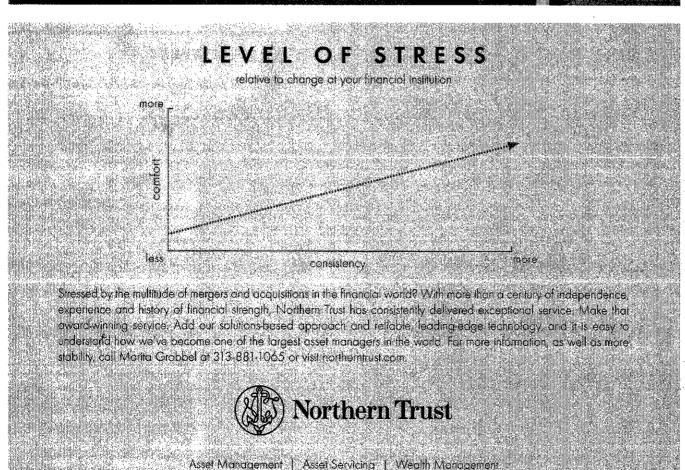
In response to residents' concerns about speeding on Rivard, the City of Grosse Pointe has installed three

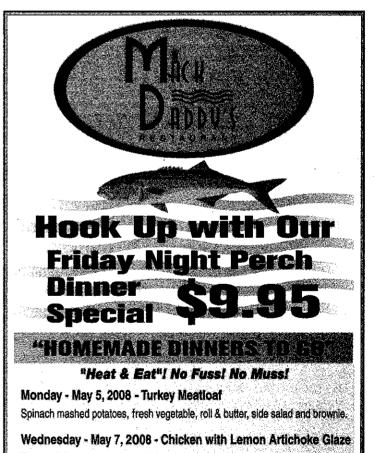
The 6-by-6 foot cushions made of recycled tires, are glued and bolted into the street.

The cushions, designed to slow down motorists, will not interfere with parking and are marked with "bump" signs.

-By Karen Fontanive







Rice pilaf, fresh vegetable, roll & butter, side salad and cookle. Friday - May 9, 2008 - Shrimp Pasta Primavera

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Challenge Cup golf outing set for May 12

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The second Grosse Pointe North/South Challenge Cup Golf Outing is set for Monday, May 12, at Lochmoor Club.

The inaugural event was won by South and the group of Mike Stauale, Dan Bretz, Campbell, Gemmete and Bill Rafoul with a score of 16-under par.

The event raised \$40,000 as Jim Saros, a South representative, and Mike Stevenson, a North representative, got the ball rolling. All of the money raised is split between North and South's athletic depart-

"I think we can raise close to what we made the first time around," said Martin Petz, president of the Grosse Pointe South Athletic Boosters Club. "The donations are continuing to come in, but at a lesser value than the first time.

"We appreciate everyone for taking their time to donate items and help us raise money for North's and South's athlet- athletes.'

The event pits 12 North squads competing against 12 South teams. The top six teams from each school are 7 p.m. used in the final scoring.

"Everything has progressed wonderfully," said Grosse Pointe North's golf liaison, Bill Doetsch. "All of the sponsors and they're getting a phenomenal bang for their buck."

"The event is an opportunity for everyone to engage in friendly competition and challenge each other like the times when we were in high school," Petz said.

The golf slots have been filled, but interested parties can still register for the dinner and and/or auction following the golf event.

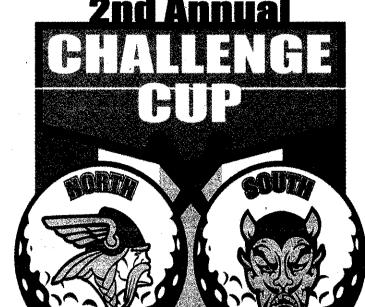
"We're still accepting hole sponsors and auction items," Doetsch said. "Give us a call and set something up because all of this is to support our Grosse Pointe North and

The dinner/auction is \$50 per person and starts at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 and dinner is at

At the end of the golf outing, the winner will be announced and everyone will head into Lochmoor's banquet hall for dinner, refreshments and an are getting a captive audience auction to raise money for the athletic programs.

> Area residents have donated several auction items, includ-

- ◆ A \$437 car wash book
- ◆ Four front row Detroit Tigers tickets with a parking
- One week in Waikiki beach condo package
- A weekend stay in a condo in Traverse City
- ◆ 1/2 of a suite for eight people to watch a Detroit Pistons
- 1/2 of a suite for eight people to watch a Detroit Red Wings game
- ◆ Two sets of "best" Tiger Grosse Pointe South student tickets with a parking pass



◆ A set of four and a set of TPC of Michigan two Red Wings tickets

- ◆ A golf foursome at the worth \$400
- ♦ Zoom teeth whitening

- ◆ Souvenirs from the 2008 Masters
- ◆ Major event sponsor for three years for \$25,000
- ◆ Major event sponsor for
- this year only for \$10,000 ♦ Challenge cup sponsor for
- ◆ Hole flag sponsor for holes Nos. 1 through 9 or holes Nos.
- 10 through 18 for \$1,000 ◆ Silver hole sponsor for
- ◆ 10th hole silver for \$500
- ◆ Putting green or driving
- range for \$500
- ◆ Auction paddles for \$250
- ♦ Hole sponsor sign for \$100 that includes company name

People can also donate an item to the auction. clude: Attach a business card if people want. Deliver the item Blairmoor Court, Grosse Pointe Woods. Make checks payable to: GPS Athletic

Sponsorship selections inor items to Jeanne Lizza, 1241 Boosters and mail to: GPN/GPS Challenge Cup, 753 Grand Marais, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.



Grosse Pointe Park officials and developer Robertson Brothers executives broke ground last week for what will soon be a six-unit condominium complex on Lakepointe in the Park. From left are Jim Clark and Paul Robertson Jr., the developer's president and chairman of board, respectively; and Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan and City Manager Dale Krajniak.

HOUSING: Townhouses for the Park

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ter will attract younger adults to the Park.

here," he said.

According to Robertson, the Lakepointe site is the only loan Citizen's Bank has made this year to a residential development in southeast Michigan.

"We are extremely pleased that they (Citizen's Bank) have stepped up to the plate and are said.

"We think this will make willing to invest in southeast people excited about living Michigan and our city," wrote Park City Manager Dale M. Krajniak in a recent e-mail.

Construction will begin immediately on the six-unit building and expects to be finished within four months.

Five of the six condominiums have been sold, Robertson **GROSSE POINTE WOODS**

Council selects candidate for treasurer position

By Kathy Ryan Staff Writer

There was some debate, but when it was over, the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council unanimously authorized commencement of contract negotiations with a candidate for the Treasurer/Comptroller posi-

and finance director for the city of Bloomfield Hills, was selected from five candidates interviewed by the Council on essary skills for the position, I Monday, April 28. City know what residents expect," Attorney Don Berschback was she told the council. authorized to negotiate with tract back to the city for and a master's degree in busi- cal year on July 1.

Council approval. has

been with Bloomfield Hills for six years. Prior to that, she was with the City of Grosse Pointe. She also worked for the city of Hazel

A resident of St. Clair Shores, Irby cited the long daily commute to Bloomfield Hills as one reason she was seeking the Grosse Pointe Woods job. Dee Ann Irby is treasurer She also offered her familiarity with the Grosse Pointes as one of her strengths.

"Not only do I have the nec-

Irby and bring a proposed congree in Public Administration before the start of the new fis-

The council interviewed five candidates on Monday evening. It originally selected seven candidates for a formal interview, but, according to Berschback, two candidates withdrew because of confidentiality concerns.

The treasurer/comptroller position has been vacuut since March, 2007 following the resignation of Cliff Maison, who was charged with two counts of embezzlement by a city official. The charges followed allegations that he stole gas from the city's DPW yard.

The city hopes to have Irby holds a bachelor's de- treasurer/comptroller in place

Git yer Pier Park boat wells

Some of the most popularsized boat wells remain available for rent this season at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park.

Wells measure 30-by-12-feet, appropriate for boats at least 25 feet long, including pulpit and stern swim platform.

"Otherwise, we have waiting lists," said Dick Huhn, park director. "If someone walks in and fills out an application, we

can give them a well this year." The harbor has 333 wells in more than a dozen sizes. Each category has its own waiting list. All wells are outfitted with electricity and fresh water. Residents can join as many waiting lists as they want.

waiting list and \$50 for each

list thereafter. "Usually, the bigger the well, the longer the waiting list because there's less of them," Huhn said. "The reason we

It costs \$100 to be on the first have 30-by-12s available is because the harbor was designed with about 90 wells of that size."

Call the park office at (313) 343-2405 for rental rates and more information.

Local artist wins poster contest

Grosse Point Park resident Alexis Reich won the 2008 Pleasant Ridge Foundation poster contest.

Ridge The Pleasant Foundation was established in 1961 to enhance the quality of life in Pleasant Ridge. Reich, who works as a junior

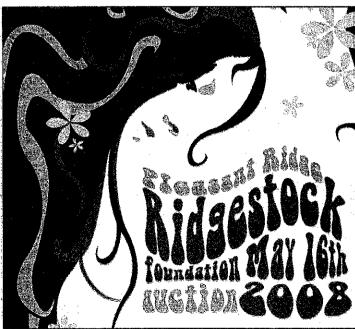
art director at Campbell-Ewald in Warren, is a graduate of Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. The contest was developed

to increase awareness for the foundation and the 48th Annual Auction Gala, the foundation's largest fundraiser.

"Since the theme of the chance to work with the poster was to be reminiscent of a 60s concert poster, I decided am glad that I was able to crethat a minimalistic, yet beautiful approach would best suit the ideas behind what the auction is all about," Reich said.

"The woman in the poster was inspired from the symbol of the hippie 'flower child.' The flower child represents peace, love and indulgence in the beauty of life. This seemed highly appropriate, as Pleasant Ridge seeks to improve life greatly in their community every day.

"I'm honored to have had the



Pleasant Ridge Foundation and ate a design that reflects their honorable event in a fun, yet beautiful light."



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NEWS

POINTER OF INTEREST

For more than 32 years, Clark Okulski, D.O., was a cutting edge surgeon in the Detroit area. While no longer performing surgery, he still helps others as a medical mission volunteer treating hird world patients.

His passion expands the globe

By Patti Theros Special Writer

Dr. Clark Okulski believes all things happen for a reason.

"I believe that nothing ever happens by chance," he said. "Every single person that divine providence - that is, under God's sovereign guidance and control - sends into this world, has a particular mission to perform.

'Socrates said 'know yourself.' Cicero said 'control yourself.' The divine master says give of yourself and in all things, be thankful."

Okulski said he is thankful for the gifts God has given him. He says his own life experiences led him to pursue his life's passion — becoming a surgeon.

When Okulski was just a young boy growing up in Hamtramck, he had many health problems, and spent a said, adding that was his first Central America.



great deal of time under the After slipping on ice three years ago, Grosse Pointe Park resident Clark Okulski, D.O., center, care of doctors. "I spent sever- was forced to give up his career as a surgeon. However, he embraced the change and started al months in hospitals," he volunteering his expertise being part of a medical mission. He has been on four mission trips to

exposure to the medical field. It would prove to have a lasting effect.

In high school at the University of Detroit, his interest in the medical field was piqued after reading an article in Life magazine. "A 17-year old boy was jumping box car trains and had his arm completely severed. Thankfully, it was reattached."

University of Detroit-Mercy in 1963, Okulski entered medical school at Kansas City Osteopathic College. He began his practice in the Detroit area in February of 1973.

"As I was beginning my practice, I would hear about new techniques and instruments, including the new Zeiss Contraves Operating Microscope that was introduced in Europe and Canada. This new microscope was state-of-the-art technology, so I went for additional training to London, Ontario and Zurich, Switzerland — the two major centers then for such work, which included ruptured cerebral aneurysms and surgery

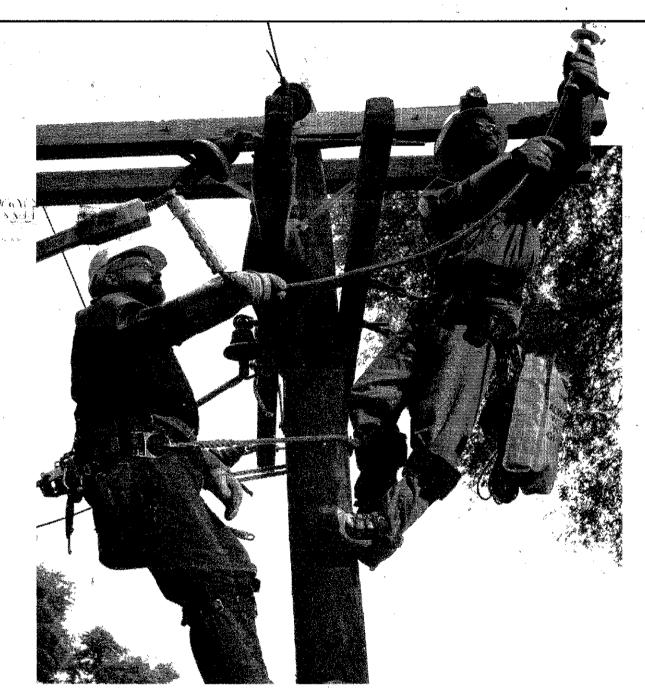
Okulski trained 17 neurosurgery residents, as well as hundreds of students and in-

"Training was a happy experience for me. It was tough, but rewarding. I was on call 24/7. We would see many life and death situations in the operating and emergency rooms," said Okulski.

He also performed thou, After graduating from sands of surgeries in his career. One particular case was reattaching a severed arm. "It was Dec. 22 in the early 80s, and the police officer had his arm shot off while in the line of duty. It was his left arm. I'm happy to say that eventually he was able to play golf again," says Okulski.

But the fast pace of Okulski's surgical career came to a halt after an accident three years ago that became a life changing event.

"I was hanging up a wreath, while I was up north, and I slipped on ice and fell," he said. Okulski experienced multiple fractures and required major hand surgery. Today his extensive scars are



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Okulski's most recent medical mission trip was to a remote region of Guatamala where he and a group of 15 additional medical personnel provided a wide range of services to improverished people young and old. He shown above as he examines two adolescent boys.

for occluded brain arteries.

"After returning home, I bought my own microscope --the first one in the Detroit area. This microscope allows for superb illumination into the deep structures of the brain and is perfectly balanced with weights and magnets for ease of delicate movements," he said.

Okulski is on staff at Henry Ford Hospital.

"In my practice I witnessed a variety of patient conditions ruptured cerebral aneurysms, brain tumors, spinal cord injuries and ruptured discs. The work was hard, but rewarding spiritually and emotionally," he added.

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visible and has limited function in his hand.

"After seven months of rehabilitation, I was unable to return to the operating room," said Okulski. "I knew God had other plans for me.

"I had always wanted to be part of medical missions, but I never had the time."

Since his accident, he has been on four mission trips to Central America.

Okulski also lectures at the medical school that he attend-

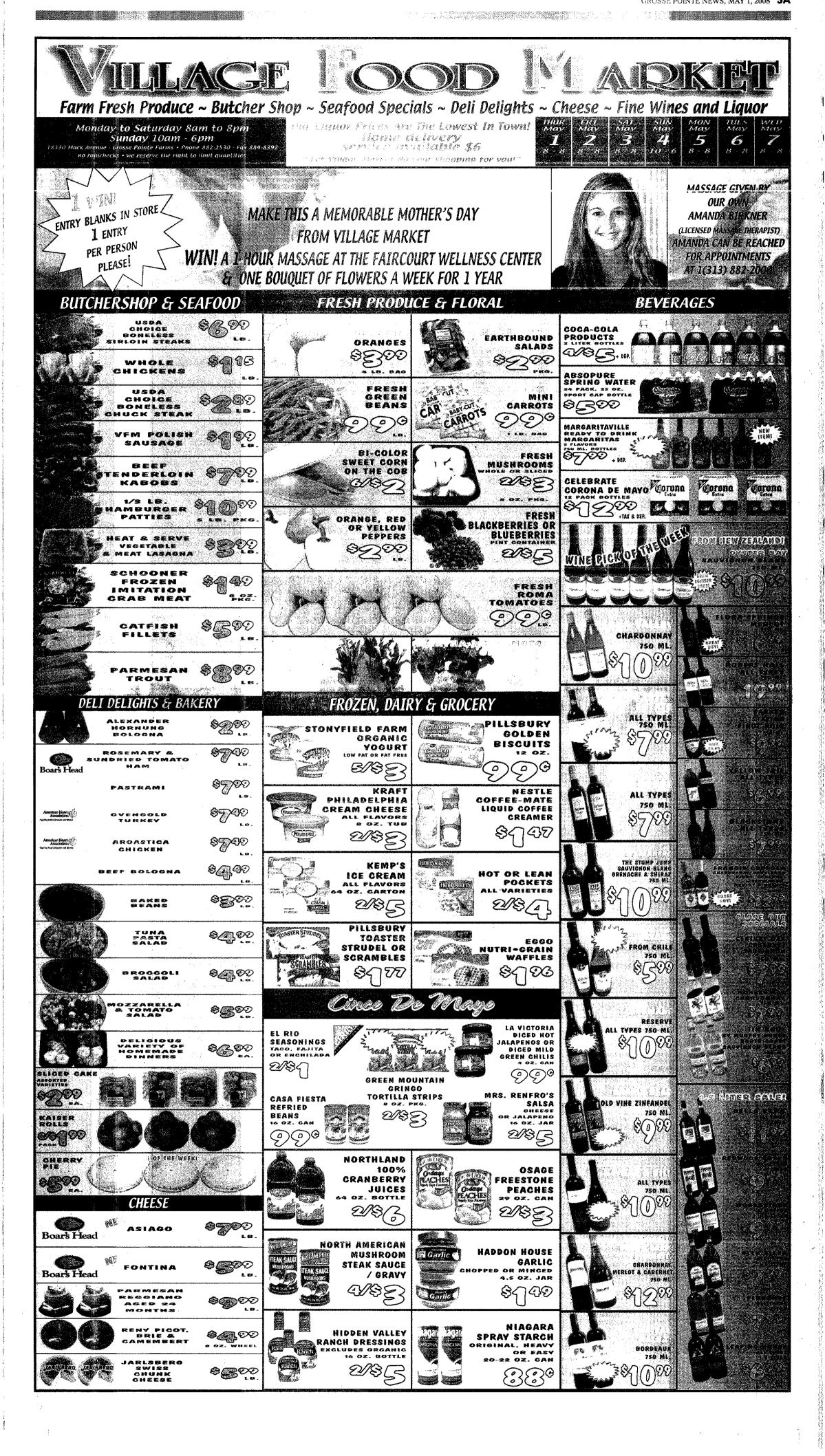
During a recent mission trip to Guatemala, Okulski traveled with about 15 volunteer doctors and pharmacists from the United States. "We took 2,000 eyeglasses and medications and set up clinics there. One day we handed out 600 eyeglasses. It's a third world country and we stay at very simple hotels with simple facilities and no TV. We had running hot water twice a day," says Okulski.

Most recently Okulski has been asked to travel to East Africa to help train neurosurgeons in an area home to numerous poor.

"Because the focus of the African mission is to train doctors, it requires a much longer time commitment. If I'm able to give of the time commitment, I will go," said Okulski.

"Regardless, I will continue to use the gifts God has given to me to help others. God has given me great opportunities and experiences in my lifetime. I thank him everyday and pray for his guidance, So when people ask me how I am doing, I say 'Better than I deserve," said Okulski.

Okulski serves on the Pointe Grosse Park Foundation, where most recently he was president for two years.



NEWS

HOTEL: The lure for vibrancy

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\$1.8 million for rights to build a \$12.5 million boutique hotel off of Notre Dame on what is now the western half of municipal parking lot No. 2. The site is north of Kercheval and extends behind Starbucks to Kennedy & Co.

Developers predict hiring a hotel staff of 50 to 70 people, generating an annual payroll of at least \$800,000 and 10year projected City revenues approaching \$840,000.

"Market feasibility is key," said Peter Dame, City manag-

The hotel would be part of the City Flats chain based in the city of Holland.

"Downtown Grosse Pointe would be a great place to have a high-end hotel," said Kirk Koeman, City Flats development director. "Downtown Holland is a similar market to

downtown Grosse Pointe. We believe there's pent up demand in the market for a boutique hotel. The rooftop restaurant has gone over fantastically in Holland. I see it being very successful in Grosse Pointe."

To meet parking demands, the Inn has proposed paying for construction of an additional level to a public parking deck proposed by the Morningside Equities Group. The Group plans to develop the eastern half of Lot 2 off St. Clair. Expansion would yield more than 100 parking spaces.

If things pan out, construction could begin early next year for a grand opening in December 2009.

"We ought to go for it," said Councilman John Stevens.

No reservations

A Village hotel comparable to the Townsend in the heart of Birmingham has been on part, to the setting by the lake. the Pointes' wish list for decades.

"That issue has come up over the years," said Mark Weber, president of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. "If done right, that type of venture few months ago sought pro-

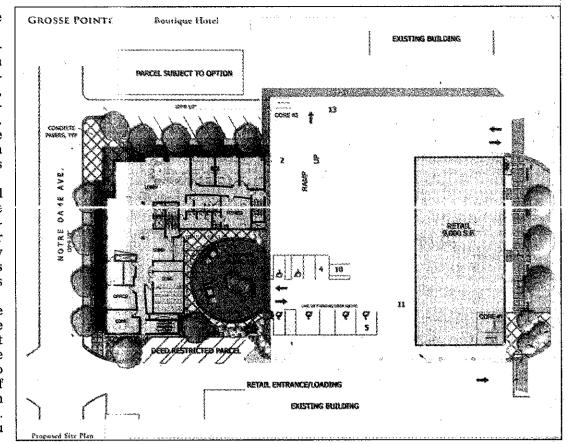
would be wonderful for the community."

Scrace said, "It gives accommodations that have long been demanded by citizens for social functions, weddings, christenings, anniversary parties, house guests, you name it. Also, as we're attracting more corporate residents, there's a need for space to meet clients and make presentations.

"There's no significant hotel around the Grosse Pointe area," said Tom Welling, director of development services for Lamar Construction Company near Grand Rapids. Welling is the liaison between City Flats and the City.

"Yet," he added, "there are lots of attractions, such as the War Memorial and Detroit Athletic Club, where people visit but don't have a place to stay. There are a bunch of weddings in the area due, in Add up the demand and you have a viable business.'

Late last year, City Flats representatives approached the City about opening a small ho-



Proposed site plan for a hotel on Notre Dame in the Village.

posals from about 20 developtel. In response, City officials a ers and hotel operators. The March 31. Village Inn partnership re-

sponded with a packet dated

Koeman values the Pointe hotel market for both business and leisure traffic.

"You have to have corporate travel guests available in the market," he said. "We're looking at more of an executive business clientele to stay here rather than at a larger hotel chain or in downtown Detroit."

Weber predicts the Pointes would gain extra benefit if outof-town visitors, such as guests attending the War Memorial's 100 weddings each year, could find local accommodations.

"People could experience what a gem the community is

look last month at what might

be the future for hotel guests in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Scrace was in western

Michigan on business and

stopped off to visit his son in

Holland. While doing so, he

had dinner and a tour of City

Flats Hotel, which is the proto-

type for the 50-room hotel

theirs," said Scrace, an archi-

tect. "It had a nice lobby and

proposed for the Village.

or function," Weber said. "There are restaurants and shopping in the City. People at the hotel could walk to those stores."

Scrace witnessed such a byproduct two weeks ago while in Holland touring City

"I met a person on the elevator who was there on business," Scrace said. "He had a little bag of things he'd bought to take home to the kids."

Dame, beginning his second year as city manager, handled comparable commercial developments in his former job as assistant manager of Oak Park., a Chicago suburb.

"I think that's why they while they're here for an event hired me (in the City)," he said.

One meeting room had the-

"We walked through six or eight guest rooms," Scrace

said. "Each room was a little

different. They had a fourth

floor bridal suite and a couple

In a lobby bar a saxophonist

--- Brad Lindberg

played while the after busi-

of mini suites."

"Ours is patterned after ness crowd enjoyed food and

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Mayor takes hotel tour

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"We can take our capabilities and design unique environ-

ments for these hotels that no other hotel chain can provide,' said Kirk Koeman, City Flats development director. "As far as I'm aware, none have a design staff that works strictly for

them." Designers collaborate with franchisees to customize City Flats properties and make each hotel room slightly differ-

-Brad Lindberg

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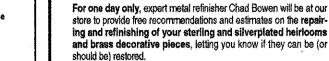
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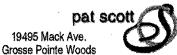




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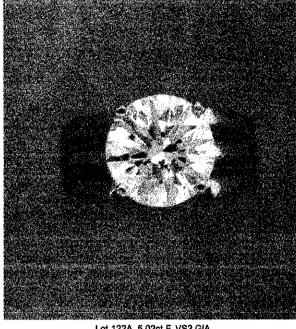
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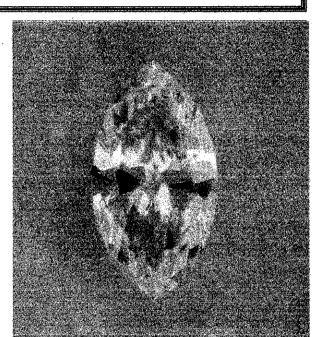
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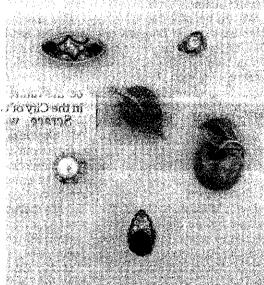
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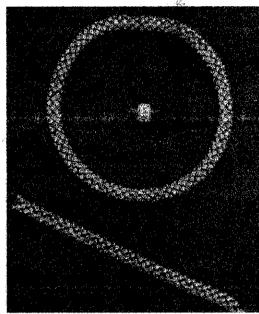
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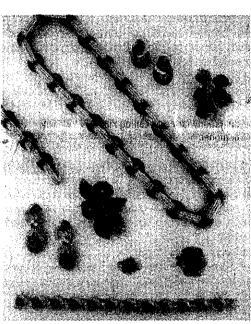
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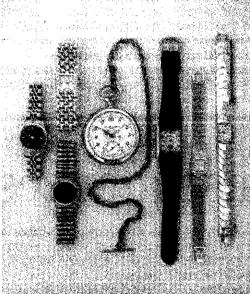
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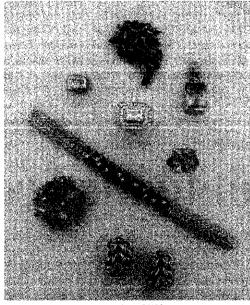
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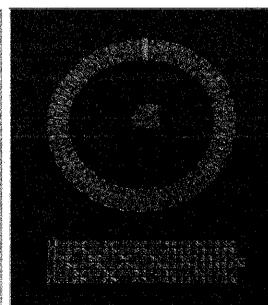
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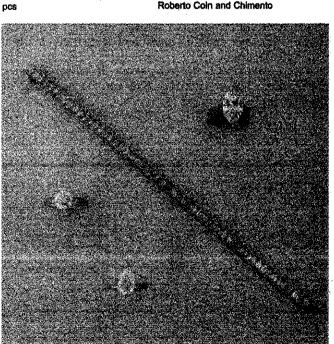
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GUEST EDITORIAL By Betsy Hart

Good parenting for bad behavior

hesitate to begin a story with, "this recently happened to a friend of mine ..." But it did. It's not me - yet. I just hope I would handle it in just the same "Karen" and her husband "Tom" are great, loving, supportive parents of five young children. Recently, Karen received a call from the police station telling her that her high schooler had been arrested. She'd been picked up for shoplifting.

Karen and her family live in an affluent community, their children are well supervised. Karen is a full-time mom and

Far from being today's "my little Suzie would never do that!" parents, know that their little Suzies are capable of pretty much anything. All of ours are — we are, too. And these parents know that only if they grasp that fact can they get to their children's hearts at all.

their children go to great schools.

This is no "at-risk" child in the world's eyes.

But to Karen and Tom, every one of their children is at risk, not just because of the world, but because of the folly that is bound up in the heart of a child, to paraphrase Scripture.

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As she always does, Karen went to bat for her child. But not in the way so many "Oh, my gosh, this could end my child's chances of getting into Harvard" say. My friends are not primarily after Harvard; they are after the hearts of their kids.

That's not what the police officers were expecting. They fully believed this child's affluent parents would march in, like so many others in that community would have done, with a demand to get their child "off the hook."

Instead, when Karen arrived (Tom was out of town), she not only cooperated fully with the police and agreed on the seriousness of the charges, she clearly appreciated the officers for the arrest.

The police were stunned.

But Karen and Tom think the arrest — combined with the penalties their child will face as a result — is one of the best things that could have happened to their teen. The child admitted she'd shoplifted before.

What a wake-up call. The arrest gave Karen a chance to talk to her child about the folly all of our hearts are capable. It gave her an opportunity to continue her ongoing discussion with her teen about how every one of us needs to be saved from the "sin which so easily entangles."

And it gave this mom and dad an opening to affirm to their child that there is nothing — nothing — their child can do that can separate her from the love of her parents. In the midst of what was in fact a real crime, not only were she and Tom not going to degrade her very humanity by "separating the (bad) behavior from the child," as the parenting experts teach, but they were going to love her and walk with her.

These parents are willing to see their daughter as she really is at her worst (even if down the road that's more than shoplifting), to call it what it is and to love her like crazy any-

way as they encourage her to move forward to do her best. In contrast, what good does it do a child, in our self-esteemobsessed culture, to tell her how "good" she is, even at the times when she knows she is not?

Rather than excuse and defend on the one hand — "those other kids are a bad influence on little Suzie" - or condemning her on the other, Karen and Tom, with their response, produced a remorse and a softening in the child's heart like they hadn't seen in some time.

Karen and Tom know this is a process. But I think they have a great chance of success. Not because they are "perfect parents," whatever that means. But because unlike so many parents I see today, their egos are not bound up in their children. Only their hearts are.

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The Big Open House

To the Editor:

I'd like to thank all who partnered with The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce and Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors during last weekend's "The Big Open House."

Along with all other communities in metro Detroit, we held more than 100 homes for sale open to visitors.

Thanks are due to Suzanne Klein. Rebecca Fannon and To the Editor: the Grosse Pointe Public Foundation for Older Citizens, Eleanor & Edsel Ford House, Grosse Pointe Historical Society, The Family Center, and all five Grosse Pointe cities, who participated in the open house at Grosse Pointe South High School.

able to showcase our beautiful the Woods park has a second-

school, student art show and robotics team.

We are hopeful that all who attended the open houses were able to learn about our wonderful community and choose a home here in the Pointes. MARY HUEBNER

President Grosse Pointe Chamber of

Woods marina

School System, Grosse Pointe Grosse Pointe News for confor Public tinuing to report the apathetic Education, Sunrise Senior attitude that the city of Grosse Living, Special Kids, Services Pointe Woods has towards its marina.

The recent article, "Lack of dredging may lead to boats docking elsewhere," April 24 Grosse Pointe News, along with past articles "Smell test in the Woods" and "Boaters can We welcomed home buyers 21, 2007, Grosse Pointe News, into our community and were and others, clearly show why

rate marina.

With the continued lower than normal lake levels the city has an obligation to keep a viable marina.

The quote by city administrator, Mark Wollenweber, "The boating contract every boat owner signs clearly states that the city does not guarantee the depth" shows a lack care for the boating communi-

The Woods marina is the only Grosse Pointe marina that has not had a major renova-The marina does not have

wells to accommodate boats whether sailing or power that are beyond 28 feet in total length. With many boats having 3 feet of swim platform, bow pulpit or both, the length limit does not accommodate Commerce many of today's boaters.

The boating industry and the buying public have changed since the Wood's marina was constructed. The I would like to thank the Wood's marina needs to follow suit.

Any one who has been on Lake St. Clair during a "Sunday Chop" would agree that the Wood's marina accommodates boats for mid week boating at best. Until the city of Grosse

Pointe Woods addresses the issues of dredging and overall well length like the other expect to get a return," June Grosse Pointes, the marina will continue to be second rate. BRAD L. BLAINE

Grosse Pointe Woods

Milking the Milk River

To the Editor:

Kudos to the Grosse Pointe News and Kathy Ryan for accurately reporting the latest news developments regarding Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park Marina.

The article "Missing boat dock fund money may have been found," April 17 Grosse Pointe News, did a factual job describing how more than \$250,000 disappeared from the Grosse Pointe Woods Boat Dock Fund cash reserves, including the fact that no knows for certain where the money

Then the article "Lack of dredging may lead to boats docking elsewhere." April 24 Grosse Pointe News, further describes the demise of a marina where boaters may have to leave due to the city's inability to dredge.

No money and no dredging. Those few words summarize it

The Grosse Pointe area is synonymous with boating and Lake St Clair. We have the highest ratio of boat owners per capita anywhere in Michigan.

There are boat well waiting lists as long as 10 years within our neighboring communities, but Grosse Pointe Woods has more vacancies than ever. Such a disgrace!

KURTLYONS Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By John Palffy

Law of unintended consequences

ichigan's announcement to pull out of the federal student loan program last week is a painful, but recurring lesson in the law of unintended consequences; a lesson that might soon be taught in the mortgage markets.

A fundamental principal of political economics, the law of unintended consequences is that action of politicians often have unanticipated perverse consequences.

In this case, the action was Congress' adoption last September of the "College Cost Reduction and Access Act." Its intention was to make college more affordable by reducing interest rates and payments on student loans.

The perverse and unintended consequence is that dozens of lenders and billions of dollars are literally quitting the student loan market, potentially leaving thousands of the neediest students without a financial

source for college. It is not the first, nor the last time, Congress has ignored economic incentives in its quest for social fairness.

For instance, in 1990 they raised taxes on luxury boats in order to soak the rich, only to find the rich abandoned the

boat market and left thousands of boat workers unemployed. And, if certain democrats in Congress and the presidential trail have their way, it will repeated in the mortgage market.

In September, Congress reduced by roughly 2/3 of a percentage point lenders could charge and reduced the maximum payment borrowers must make on student loans.

Just to make it clear that lenders should not be profiting from student loans, Congress doubled the origination fees lenders must pay to the federal government. They reduced federal guarantees against potential defaults. The purpose being to raise revenue to subsidize Pell Grants and other federal loans and grants.

The intention was to reduce the interest cost of loans and stretch out loan payments for low income graduates. The result? Lenders, already pounded by the implosion of the asset backed securities and credit markets, found profit margins on student loans vaporizing and abandoned the \$17 billion student loan market in droves.

Nearly 100 of the nation's major lenders making up nearly 30 percent of the market have already left the market. Not only may thousands of students be without private loans,

the origination fees lost by not making those loans will probably reduce federal revenue and put at risk the increased federal subsidies which were to have been funded by those revenues.

Lenders are in the business of making profits. But when Congress plays price maker by capping rates, imposing fees, increasing risk and stretching out repayment, profits disappear and with it the supply of And who did Congress hurt

the most? As usual, those most in need. Large loans to student families with high credit scores at colleges with high graduation rates — selective private colleges — will probably escaped unscathed. Smaller loans to families

with low credit scores at colleges with low graduation rates - community and less selective public colleges -- will be increasingly hard to come by, thus hurting borrowers at the lower end of the socioeconomic ladder hardest. Market economics could

have predicted exactly this market response, which is why Congress needs to learn its lessons before it destroys the residential mortgage markets with more price manipulation.

Among the proposed "fixes" to the national foreclosure crisis is the capping of adjustable mortgage rates and a prohibition of foreclosures for up to five years.

Political goodwill is similar to that extended to students; reduce the cost of borrowing and the loss in default. The results for homeowners would likely mirror those of students.

When mortgage bankers see their profits capped, their exposure to risk increased and their remedies to default eliminated; they too will abandon the mortgage market in droves, leaving those most in need, with no access to home lending.

Economists consistently warn Congress against its affinity to manipulate financial markets, but Congress never seems to learn the lessons of the law of unintended consequences. Unless Congress acts to undo its perverse meddling in the next 60 days, it is likely that thousands of college students will learn the lesson; but without college loans that will be all they'll be learning.

John Palffy of Grosse Pointe Park is an adjunct professor in the graduate school of business at Wayne State University, former chief economist to Sen. Dan Quayle, political appointee to President Reagan and Walker Fellow in Economics at The Heritage Foundation.

Courage to see behind the curtain



n what part of you does courage live untapped? Is there a place where you keep it held for ransom as if the price of being afraid will ever be enough to let it out?

Courage is like strength; it is a gift we are, at times, actually afraid of, as though fear is a comfortable place to be. And for some it is comfortable and for others, we visit fear like a bear who retreats to the cave he's dug. We crawl into it like a hole and sometimes put up a white flag, because we feel

surrendering to it is easier than realizing fear is not that scary unless we build it up to be. Much of it is in our heads. It's what we make of it.

We use fear as a reason, an excuse, a comfort zone, a place to go like a vacation for respite from what we are capable of, but somehow don't quite trust we can do it. Courage usually resides in a place inside us that is unprotected yet always available. We all have courage, great amounts of courage. It simply waits for its chance to be needed or called upon.

Courage comes in sizes like small, medium, large and "I don't know if I could have done that." Fear comes in many sizes too, such as a little afraid, fear of the unknown. completely afraid, immobilized by it, and when we say things like I am afraid if I don't (fill in the blank). It is interesting how we use the phrase "I am afraid" to begin a sentence in places where it doesn't make sense or seem to belong. "I am afraid so" we say, or "I am afraid I can't go with you today" or "I am afraid it's true." Why do we say we are afraid? What exactly are we afraid of? The way we talk is interesting and we are masters of talking ourselves into and out of things like no one else can. We are our own worst critic and we talk to ourselves in such a way that we don't or shouldn't allow anyone else to talk to

I find it interesting how we surprise ourselves when we do something we were afraid of and then find out how much

easier it was once we have accomplished it. Could it be because our thoughts made it out to be something bigger? Was it that we exaggerated it, so it became what loomed in front of us instead of what it really was, something easily solved or put behind us? Fear ruled our thoughts so it became a boulder we weren't sure we could move. Like not wanting to make a phone call to someon,e then after we've hung up were relieved at how simple and easy it was.

We are interesting this way and I am not exempt from any of it. I too have had fear of all sizes, some imagined and some real. I have always wondered why we get in our own way. I was once told that we have only two choices for anything and they are either love

or fear. It took me a while to really get that, because I was misunderstanding what each word meant and I wanted to categorize them like the dictionary and that wasn't the point.

Courage has confidence and fear has only the power we give it. Now mind you, I am not talking about the kind of fear that is warranted in a life or death or, scary situation. I am talking about the fear of doubt or not trusting or believing in something or in ourselves. I am talking about the fear that keeps us stuck. It is courage that un-sticks us.

Tapping into our courage helps us meet adversity that will inevitably show up in our lives. Courage helps us make decisions, accept certain realities, helps us not to tolerate what doesn't work, and to not

tolerate unacceptable behavior. And to accept ourselves as we are right now, doing the best we know how to at this moment.

Courage gives us the strength to look truth in the face and gives us the power to stand up for what is right and what is needed. Courage is what helps steady our voice when we speak up, and fills us with adrenaline when we know we are taking the right action.

Fear takes all that away. Someone once wrote that fear is an acronym for False Expectations Appearing Real. The first time I heard that was an aha! moment. Little by little it became clear that fear appears real if we allow it to and

See I SAY, page 10A

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

Would you rather be a great musician, artist or athlete 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 e-mail to editor@ grossepointenews.com



'I'd rather be an athlete. a soccer player, because I love soccer and I play at Liggett.' **GRACE EDMONDS**

Grosse Pointe Park



'I would want to be an athlete. I played hockey at South last season and if I were a great athlete it would be fun to be famous and really good at hockey.'

CHANTAL CHUBA Grosse Pointe Park



'An athlete, because it's good for your health. I like to be outdoors. I like to play sports and being part of a team is fun.'

SYDNEY BURKE Grosse Pointe Park



'A great musician, because they get to travel, they're famous, they get to do what they love to do and they entertain people. CAROL ANN MANOWN

City of Grosse Pointe



'I would rather be a great intellectual, because as they say, exploration of the mind is the last great frontier.' CHARLES WYMAN Grosse Pointe Park

'Do you have a Beaumont doctor?'



hat question has irked physicians and medical administrators not associated with the Royal Oak-based hospital system, since it first aired in advertising, particularly with the added kicker: "It might be the most important decision you ever make.

But now the Grosse Pointes do have Beaumont doctors and it is surprising that there has been little fanfare when the hospital announced a \$100 million investment to update and expand the Bon Secours facility at Jefferson and Cadieux over the next four years. Heck, Gov. Granholm didn't even call a press conference to announce it.

The lobby, the nurse area and the cafeteria are all scheduled for renovation. A women's health and heart center and high tech systems leveraging the strengths of the Beaumont system are on the agenda. And the pediatric unit is scheduled to reopen.

That last announcement will please Beaumont Grosse Pointe Chaplain Catherine Herron, a carry-over from the Bon Secours days.

Herron has been on staff for two years, praying with patients, families and visitors. Welcoming new babies into the fold will be a special joy for

She says, "A chaplain's task is not to judge your spiritual life, but to help you on your journey. The chaplain's role is to be present for your needs."

Trained extensively as a musical therapist at Eastern Michigan University, she also has a Master's in pastoral ministry from Marygrove. Herron has her guitar at the ready and

sings to patients and families seeking spiritual renewal.

She told members of the Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's breakfast that she recently returned from leading an all-woman 10-day motorcycle tour of Alaska.

When she called for questions about her work from the more than 60 men in the audience the first was: "What model of motorcycle do you ride?" And the second was, "What kind of gas mileage do you get?"

For the record, she gets 50 miles per gallon and she rides a Honda Night Hawk 750cc.

Rara Avis

Bird watchers are a special species. They travel the world to spy our feathered friends leaving the environment as they found it. Competitive bird watching is a sub-group of those rare birds and it is by and large a low key sport. Last Saturday, the annual Grosse Pointe Birding Challenge took

place from 5 a.m. to noon with little fanfare.

The City and Farms teams showed up at 5 a.m., but the Park team opted to go on a photo safari to the Sleeping Bear Dunes and the Woods team reportedly fell apart, when one competitor decided to visit a family member instead.

Grosse Pointe Audubon Society President Bill Rapai spotted an eastern screech owl at 5:15 a.m. at the corner of Lakeland and Jefferson and had recorded four more species in the next 15 minutes. But then things slowed down and he was fairly certain he was going to be dethroned as reigning champion when he spotted two red-tail hawks flying overhead as he approached the rallying point for the contest at 11:45 a.m. The red-tail was a five point bonus bird of the day.

The city team also noted a spotted sandpiper and a Savannah sparrow, which are rare in the Grosse Pointes, but a few are seen annually during

their migration. The Farms team spotted more birds in its search around the Pine Woods, the

Country Club and Pier Park. The Ford House grounds were off limits for the contest because it is so easy to spot birds there. The Farms team noted a mute swan, a red-breasted nuthatch, a common tern and a northern yellow-shafted

In all, the two teams spotted nearly 50 species.

For more information about the Grosse Pointe Audubon Society, contact Birding Challenge Commissioner Mark O'Keefe at (313) 884-7472 or birds891357@aol.com.

A passel of men and women in skirts planned to descend on Lansing two weeks ago to ask the Legislature to approve a Michigan tartan. It is a dark green and medium green affair with gold and black crosshatching. The Scots rented a 56-person bus for the trip, but others were going to car pool. They hoped to fill the 200-person galleries.

The primary reason for the clan uprising was for the St. Andrews Society of Detroit to be honored in both the House and the Senate for being the oldest philanthropic organization in Michigan, dating to

If you want to see the pro-

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VIEWPOINT ON PUBLIC ISSUES By Lawrence W. Reed

Kudos to Macomb County

t a time when government at all levels often seems paralyzed by partisanship and hidebound thinking, it's refreshing to hear an elected leader seek advice from those with a track record for customer-friendly and cost-cutting innovations.

The residents of Macomb County should pat the chairman of their board of commissioners on the back for doing just that.

In a major public address on March 18, board Chairman William Crouchman asked the business community to help streamline county government operations. He is forming a task force of experienced managers in private enterprise to assess county practices against those proven effective in the private sector. Hallelujah!

To those who might assume that Crouchman must be a Republican, he is not. He is a Democrat from St. Clair Shores.

In local government, good policy is generally a lot less partisan than it is at the state and federal levels. Regardless of party, the folks in the levels of government closest to the people are usually more interested in getting the job done than sniping at the other guys.

This illustrates the wisdom of "the principle of subsidiarity," a pillar of our federal svstem: If it's a government function, no government should do it if it can be done better at a more immediate and local lev-

Successful, private businesspeople have much to offer that springs from having to please customers or go out of business. But even they can learn a thing or two from a book on occasion.

One I would highly recommend to the members of Commissioner Crouchman's task force is "Governing by Network: The New Shape of the Public Sector," by Stephen Goldsmith and William D. Eggers.

Goldsmith is a former mayor of Indianapolis and Eggers is an experienced local government expert with backgrounds in both the public and private sectors. Goldsmith and Eggers challenge the reader to think of government less as the actual provider of certain goods and

services and more as the facilitator of them. The book is chock-full of examples of lean-

er, better government. As Crouchman noted in his address, these are lean times in Michigan and they are likely to get leaner before they get fat-

County government can be smarter than state government, which last fall slapped our shrinking private economy with a \$1.4 billion tax hike.

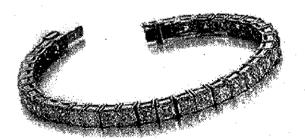
I congratulate the commissioner on taking a smart step in the direction of getting county government's work done better and less expensively.

Lawrence W. Reed is president of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, a research and educational institute based in Midland.

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Mini Grand Canyon

A few depressions in the topsoil is most of what remains of recent sprinkler repairs to the front

lawn of Grosse Pointe Shores village hall. Last week Tom Collins, left, and Bruce Haynes were among public works employees riddling the lawn with trenches in search of leaky pipes and sprinkler heads. The outdoor assignment was a welcome sign of spring. "It was a busy winter," Haynes said. "It was one of the worst winters we've seen in a while." "A lot of snow," Collins explained.

FYI: The Rotary Club

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posed Michigan tartan designed and woven by Kati Meek of Alpena, visit highlandgames.com.

By the way, if you want to see strong men flip heavy weights over their heads or toss telephone poles end over end; or watch lasses hurl frozen haggis for best distance, put the 159th annual St. Andrew's Highland Games at Greenmead in Livonia on your calendar for Aug. 2. They are reportedly the oldest continuously-run Scottish games in the country.

Pointe wrapped up its biennial auction at the War Memorial two weeks ago by raising an upwards of \$80,000 to fund its local charitable service projects and international campaigns to provide drinkable water and eradicate polio from emerging nations.

Corporate sponsors included the John & Marlene Boll Foundation, the Ruby McCoy Foundation, Citi Smith Barney, Healthmark Industries, JP Morgan Chase, Northern Trust, Radar Industries, Towar Productions, Comerica Bank, Flame Furnace, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital and PIP Printing.

Co-chairs Marita Grobbel of Northern Trust and Robert Bashara of the Park were mightily pleased with the corporate support.

And auction goers walked off with some incredible barter island from the Blake Co. sold for well under the cost of the granite slab that topped it. And a week at a condo on the Riviera sold for less than it would cost to get a two-room cabin on Mud Lake in northern Michigan.

Everyone went home happy and the Rotary now has funds to continue its motto of "Service Above Self" in the Pointes for the next two years.

WEEK AHEAD: Bird walk at Ford estate

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

◆ Rosann Kovalcik of Wild Birds Unlimited leads a bird walk at 6 p.m. on the grounds of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate. The cost is \$6 and includes a beverage after. Reservations may be made by calling (313) 884-4222.

THURSDAY, MAY 8

◆ Rosann Kovalcik of Wild Birds Unlimited leads a bird walk at 7:30 a.m. on the grounds of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate. The cost is \$6 and includes a beverage after. Reservations may be made by calling (313) 884-

I SAY: The courage inside

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that we in essence really do use it as a smokescreen like the "man behind the curtain" in "The Wizard of Oz."

Think about it. Once Toto pulled the curtain back for Dorothy and her friends to see it was mostly smoke and mirrors that made the wizard appear all powerful, they were no longer afraid. This of course let the air out of the wizard's ego and as it deflated, he told them why he did what he did.

I never saw that scene as profound until I was an adult. I have become as fond of that part of the movie as I am when Dorothy opens the door in Oz and everything turns to color. That is like waking up to life and not settling; like closing a window and opening a door to opportunity.

I realized that we create fear just like the wizard. We can either see what's in front of us with all the smoke and mirrors, continue to obey the fear and let it rule us, or take a different path on the yellow brick road of life, and pull back the curtain to see that fear has built up an illusion we need not be afraid of. We have the power to make that choice.

So what will it be? Will we settle for a voice from the seemingly unknown scaring us into mediocrity or will we pull back the curtain and see it was all an illusion.

I know what I will do and actually have already begun. I don't have a little dog to pull back the curtain so I did it myself by finding the courage already inside me.

Lake levels

The following lake levels as of April 25 are offered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

Lake Superior is presently 8 inches higher than it was at this time last year, while lakes Michigan and Huron are 2 inches lower than last year's level.

Lake St. Clair is at the same level as it was one year ago, while lakes Erie and Ontario are 2 and 9 inches, respectively, higher than they were a year

Lakes Superior, Michigan and Huron are predicted to rise 4 inches over the next month.

Lake St. Clair and Ontario are projected to rise 1 inch during the next 30 days.



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Saturday: 3–5 p.m. ("Wines of Summer" with Favorite Reds and Whites)
Sunday: 3–5 p.m. ("Battle of the Bordeaux" with Reds vs. Whites)

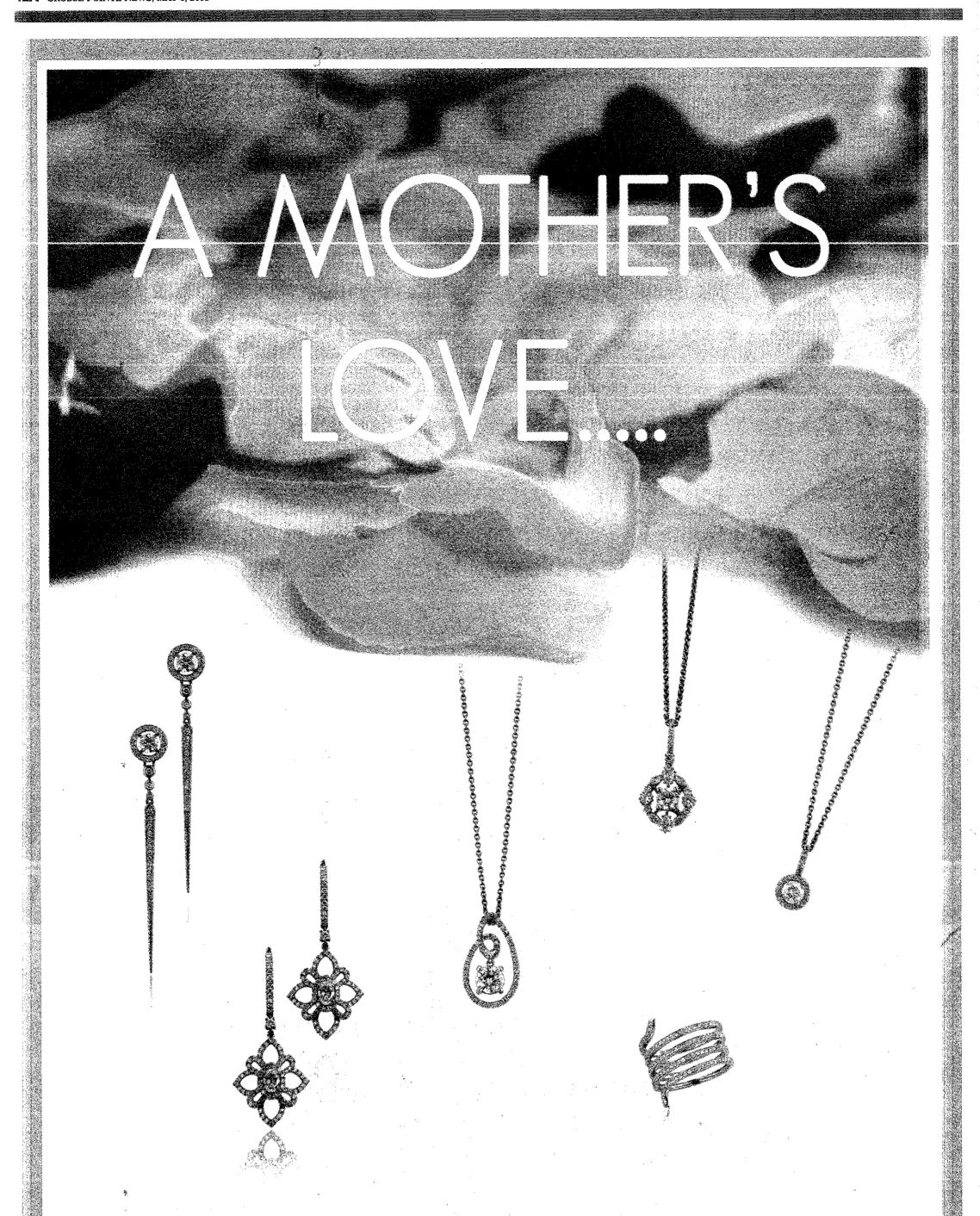
BOATSHOW

Featuring craft ranging from 16–80 feet, as well as PWCs and jet boats, which will be docked in the Harbor. Marine products and services will be displayed on the Clubhouse grounds.

The Public is Welcome. Admission is Free.



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THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY



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RENOVATION

Famous people come to life

Grosse Pointe Academy third graders stepped into the past in March to take a look at some famous figures as part of an ongoing research project. The students spent several weeks researching their chosen subjects. Dressing up in costume and delivering an oral presentation culminated the activities of this social studies unit. Pictured are, front row from left, Thomas Edison, Nicholas Bojarczyk; Edsel Ford, Howie Crane; Henry Ford, Jeffrey Buhl; Laura Ingalls Wilder, Mackenzie Harrell; Benjamin Franklin, Luke Roberts; Harry Houdini, William Buhl; Pocahantas, Gabriela Cavataio; and Duke Kahanamoku, Jyen-ai Jones; middle row, from left, are Ronald Reagan, David Scupholm; Eleanor Roosevelt, Megan McCarren; Mother Teresa, Carly Demkowicz; Vincent Van Gogh, Antonina Cinnamond; Wiliam Shakespeare, Thomas Lynskey; Davy Crockett, Henry Wujek; J.K. Rowling, Riley Parrish; and Sacagawea, Virginia Cinnamond; back row, from left, are Theodore Roosevelt, Markus Minanov; Abraham Lincoln, Alec McWood; Alexander Graham Bell, Michael French; Thomas Edison, Emma Andreasen; Amelia Earhart, Stephanie Vermet; Walt Disney, Kate Fruehauf; Cleopatra, Shannen Roe; Albert Einstein, J'Von Tolbert; Marie Curie, Ellie Liedl; and Marie Curie, Julia Przyborowski. Not pictured are George Washington, Matthew Abar; Eleanor Roosevelt, Therese Drettmann; Davy Crockett, Sam Durno; Abraham Lincoln, Chris Elliott; and Helen Keller, Bridget Donaldson.

PIERCE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Students honored

Three teams of Pierce Middle School students recently competed in Destination Imagination at Utica High School earned berths in the state tournament held Saturday, April 19, at Central Michigan University.

During a recent competition, finishing first in the middle school level of the "Chorific" challenge were sixth-graders Kelly Beardslee, Rachel Griffin, Grace Henning, Jack McCoy, Ben Schneider and Neal Trocinski. The team was managed by Bonnie McCoy.

Also capturing a first-place honor was a combined team of sixth- and seventh-grade students in an engineering and design challenge called "Switch" were Hannah Ayrault, Lisa Conley, Jackie Francis, Carly Hampton, Sally Ottenhoff, Katie Savinov and Annie Siwak. The team manager was Annette Law-Siwak.

Also advancing to the state competition was a team of eighth-graders, also in the "Switch" competition. The team of Nathan Erickson, Mackenzie Feringa, Kelsey Khoury, Spencer Sullivan and Elizabeth Winter was managed by Dan Sullivan.

Eighth-grade student Charlotte Koelsch earned first place in the Essay-Intermediate Division of the Michigan Social Studies Olympiad. Koelsch received her award and medal April 26 at Romulus High School.

Pierce will send 14 student-olympians to compete in the Social Studies Olympiad held the same day at Romulus High School. The team is coached by social studies teacher, Jeannie Brousseau.

In addition to the competition and awards ceremony, Romulus High School was the site of winning entries in the Poetry, Essay, Photojournalism and Quilathlon events between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Entries will be on display in the school gymnasium.



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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Les Mis resumes

Grosse Pointe South students are ready for the second and final weekend of the production, "Les Miserables."

The production is set for 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, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

"We're rejuvenating ourselves, making sure we get some rest before this weekend of shows," said South senior Carrie Fisk, who plays the character, "Cosette."

"Les Mis is a beautiful piece of art in the first place; so it's an honor to be in this produc-

Fisk's father, Jef, a co-presi-Boosters Club, said, "The kids did a wonderful job last weekend and they're ready for the final shows.

"Other folks said it was spec-



dent of the South Choir Grosse Pointe South students comprising the cast of Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables" performed four shows last week. This weekend, shows are at 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, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

wonderful to hear.

"I'm proud of Carrie and the tacular and that is something rest of the students for their tions in January.

part in this production."

The students started audi-

\$15 and \$10 for balcony or \$9 Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 (313) 884-8599 for group sales for seniors and students. Kercheval, City of Grosse or more information.

Tickets for the main floor are Tickets are available at Pointe. Call Jennifer Train at

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Students to get new math book

By Bob St. John Staff Writer

Math students will have a new text book next year.

Algebra I, by Larson, Boswell, Kanold and Stiff, will be used to teach Grosse Pointe public school students algebra I at the high school level and honors algebra I at the middle school level.

"This is much better because it aligns with the new state curriculum," said Susan Allan, assistant superintendent of curriculum, assessment, instruction and technology. "Students can get better resources by using this new text book, which have online resources that will will help them go online and get immediate help if they need

Allan said the text book offers a wide selection of problems at various levels to engage all learners.

It provides opportunities for students to think critically and

 ${\it `This is much better}$ because it aligns with the new state curriculum.

SUSAN ALLAN, Assistant superintendent of curriculum

express their thoughts in writing, she said.

It has been rated as a thorough exploration of the new content expectations required by the revised state math curriculum.

As Allan said, students will be helpful in supporting differentiation, including an interactive online service for students if they need additional help.

Each math book is \$69.48. Allan needs 225 copies for the middle school and 500 copies for the high school for a total of \$50,373.

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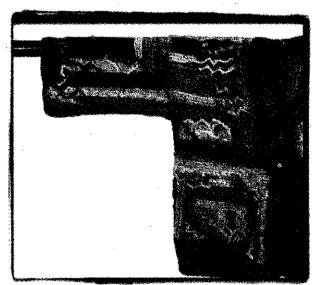
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Back at school

On Wednesday, April 16, Our Lady Star of the Sea School welcomed back alumnus Mary Treder Lang, CPA. She graduated in 1978 from Star of the Sea High School and is currently running for the Republican seat as state representative for District 1. She gave a presentation to the eighthgrade students on the role of government and the many ways governments and citizens can solve the financial and economic problems of the state. Pictured are student council representatives, from left, Alex Issa, Peter Tallerico, Lang, David Tawney, Principal Patricia Stumb, Megan Bolton and teacher Paul Ignani.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Adviser, students awarded

Jeff Nardone, adviser for The Tower newspaper at Grosse Pointe South High School, earned a Gold Key Award Friday, March 21.

He was honored "in recognition of the outstanding devotion to the cause of the school press, encouragement to the student editors in their several endeavors, service above and beyond the call of delegated duty, leadership in the field of education and support of the high ideals from the Columbia which Scholastic Press Association has drawn its inspiration."

In addition, The Tower staff members earned multiple awards in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Circle Newspaper Contest, the most they have won in the event.

Honorees were:

◆ Rian Dawson, certificate of merit (honorable mention) in news writing.



Grosse Pointe South newspaper adviser Jeff Nardone, center, was presented a Columbia Scholastic Press Association award Friday, March 21, by Kathy Zwiebel, left, and Edmund Sullivan.

graphic.

◆ Kyle Baird, certificate of ◆ Eva Dou, first place in merit for pie chart infographpersonality profile and first ic, first place for miscella- merit for miscellaneous infoplace for miscellaneous info-neous infographic and certifi-

cate of merit for diagrams using illustration infographic.

◆ Evan Welch, certificate of

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THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY



Pictured with children's author Johnathan Rand during his visit to The Grosse Pointe Academy April 8 are, from left, Carly Demkowicz (grade 3), Jared Demkowicz (grade 4) and Derek Demkowicz (grade 6).

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Musicians rock at event

At the recent Michigan Men of Pointe Singers, Lauren School Vocal Association State Solo & Aboukasm School students competed in 53 events.

The students qualified to perform at the state level at the MSVMA District Solo and Ensemble competition in students received 2nd division ratings for an excellent performance in 16. They are:

Men of South Singers, Women of Pointe Singers, Pointe Singers, Jessey Baker, Jillian Black, Galen Calligan, Michael Gilbert, Julie Griffin, Jack Hessburg, Janice Kulik, Alexandria Mahone, Lindsey Phillips, Divya Raman, Holly Roseborough, Joey Simon and Dana Vreede.

Students receiving 1st divi-Women's Ensemble, Freshman Ensemble, South Singers, Michigan

Music Jacob and Ensemble Festival, April 4 and Stephanie Aboukasm, Alana the University of Chicago to 5, Grosse Pointe South High Dickson, Sarah Duffield, Daniel Dusina, Carrie Fisk, Katie Griffin, Emily Holm, Dan Griffin of the City of Lauren Jacob, Tripp Kennedy, Chris Khoury, Laura Manardo, Lisa Martin, Ben Maters, Brad Menchl, Gabe Moss, January. Of these 53 events, Danielle Muawad, Natalie Nihem, Alexandra Papas, Greg Papas, Alyssa Rickard, Cassie Rickard, Nick Ryder, ing Kelli Sarakun, Mack Sterr, Bobby Sulliva, Aedriell Tard, Marybeth Train, Ajith Varghese, Allyson Webb, Whitney.

> The Grosse Pointe South choirs are directed by Ellen May 4. Bowen and accompanied by Richard Wolf.

sion ratings for an superior Maters and Gabe Moss were Griffin is double cast as performance were Beginning also named as alternates to the Michigan Youth Arts Festival, Women's honoring them as three of the Ensemble, Beginning Men's top 24 soloists in the state of

Moss, son of Rachel Walpole Stephanie and David Moss of Grosse for Duet, Pointe Park, will be attending major in pre law.

Griffin, daughter of Tina and Grosse Pointe, has been accepted into the Vocal Music Program at Carnegie Mellon University.

Maters, son of Anne and Bruce Maters of the City of Grosse Pointe, will be attend-Western Michigan University in the fall as a Music Theater Major.

These three students and dozens more, will be perform-Kathleen Weston and Katie ing in the Grosse Pointe South All School Musical, "Les Miserables," April 24 through

Maters is Jean ValJean and Moss is double cast as Seniors Katie Griffin, Ben Monsieur Thernadrie and Cossette.

> Tickets for "Les Miserables" are on sale now at Posterity: A Gallery, in the City of Grosse

Author visits local school

where you go," said local author Johnathan Rand.

Pointe Academy students dur- to do as much of both ing his visit to the school April 8.

that you do, reading is a place sixth graders, Rand shared have covers, they have how he went from working in Rand, author of the radio to writing books, infus-Michigan Chillers and The ing the children with his own Adventure Club series, shared love of reading and writing his thoughts with Grosse and encouraging them

During his hour-long pre- that spoke to the children's thors in the audience.

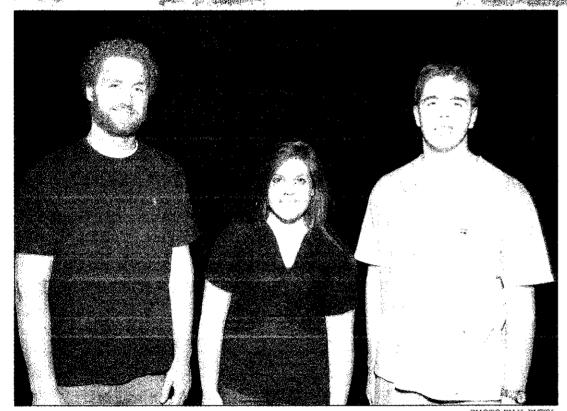
as possible.

"Reading isn't something sentation to first through imaginations. "Books don't personal anecdotes about doors," he said. "You can go anywhere you want in the world from where you are.

> "Your pencil is no longer a pencil. It becomes a magic wand. I call the process of writing 'creating magic."

He also had some practical Rand invoked metaphors advice to give to the future au-





From Left: Grosse Pointe South seniors, Ben Maters, Katie Griffin and Gabe Moss.

Students to play in tour

Four Grosse Pointe students will be touring eight European countries this summer.

Grosse Pointe South sophomore Stephen Detwiler, Grosse Pointe South freshman Catherine Kircos, Grosse Pointe North freshman Robert Bylski and Pierce Middle School eighth-grader Brian Hall are enrolled in the Blue Lake International Exchange Program and will take part in the European tour.

Detwiler plays the bass clarinet in the northern winds section; Kircos plays the bassoon in the southern winds section; Bylski played the clarinet in the southern winds section;



Stephen Detwiler

and Hall plays the cello in IYSO section.

Nearly 350 participants and staff will participate in the West Michigan summer school's 38th annual tour.

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SAM VENTIMIGLIA was recently named to the LPL Financial Patriot's Club, a status reserved for less than 10 percent of all advisors, based on a production ranking of all registered advisors at LPL Financial at year end 2007. During the annual LPL Financial Masters 2008 conference, Ventimiglia was recognized for his exceptional performance and commitment to client service.

Ventimiglia lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.

CHARLES F. MERZ, FAIA has been elevated to the American Institute of Architects' College of Fellows.

Merz is the proprietor of the Detroit architectural and urban design firm Merz & Associates. He was among 116 architects nationally elevated to the post. This honor is awarded to members who have made contributions of national significance to the profession.

A Wayne State University and the Cranbrook Academy of Art graduate, Merz has dedicated himself to the advancement of the architectural profession by fusing art, landscape design and architecture for the enjoyment and education of the public.

He has been the recipient of more than 48 regional design awards and two national awards for major urban plans resulting in built environ-

ments. He has made his mark in the community, providing tours and lecturing to schools and groups. Merz also has been included in national and international exhibits and coordinated three design competitions for monumental sculpture. He researched and designed a booklet, "A Guide to Historic Rivertown," a self-guided

walking tour of Detroit's riverfront featuring historic and original ink sketches. He has exhibited at the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Detroit Artist's Market and was the curator for an architectural exhibit at the Detroit Historical Museum.

Merz's interdisciplinary expertise earned him an appointment by former Michigan Gov. James Blanchard and private groups to establish major, dramatic commemorative monuments.

Utilizing AIA guidelines for design competitions, he created three sculptures, two in Detroit and one in Lansing. He is currently working on a fourth, The Veterans Memorial

Park of Detroit. Merz is a Grosse Pointe Park resident.

BILL MESTDAGH president of Frontier3 Advertising, accepted an accolade when the company recently won the 2008 Best Print Media award for collateral pieces designed for Riverland Woods Apartments (Landquest Properties).

The award was one of the Apartment Management **Industry Excellence Awards** given by the Apartment Association of Michigan each year to honor the most outstanding apartment professionals in Southeastern

Michigan. The materials were judged on creativity, innovation, and outstanding graphic design, copy writing, layout, content and overall execution. He attended the March ceremony where his client, Riverland Apartments of Landquest Properties, accepted the award. Mestdagh is a Grosse Pointe

Park resident.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Brand new in the Farms

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosted its official ribbon-cutting ceremony Thursday, April 17 at Lori Stefek's new business, Stefek's Auctioneers and Appraisers of Antiques and Fine Arts, 18450 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms. Taking part in the ceremony were, from left, Pat Milne, chamber of commerce director of event planning; Mary Huebner, chamber of commerce president; Lori Stefek, James C. Farquhar, Grosse Pointe Farms mayor; Kyle Stefek, Jack Stefek and John Stefek.

Housing market answers

Unsettling news about the Detroit housing market dominates the headlines.

Although the Grosse Pointe real estate market has fared well, one cannot ignore the effects of the local economy on

residents. Currently there are 30 banked owned homes for sale in the Grosse Pointes (not including homes in the redemption period following a sheriff sale). Seventy bank owned homes were sold in the past 12 months.

Foreclosure is a series of events resulting in the loss of one's home, long lasting credit damage, attorney expenses, and for some, the loss of pride derived from owning a home, "the American dream."

In addition to job loss, a myriad scenarios might induce a borrower to fall behind on payments. With the shame and embarrassment associated

with losing one's home, borrowers struggling with mortgage payments might not seek help in the "pre-foreclosure" phase. Some forms of mortgage debt cancellation can actually avert foreclosure. These might include deed in lieu, for-

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HOUSING: Short sale explained

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bearance agreement, a fixed rate vs. an adjustable rate, as well as "short sale."

Bolton Johnston Associates Realtors, Heather Melchior and Jan Ryndress address the short sale concept.

Q. Define "short sale" as it relates to the real estate market?

A. A short sale exists when the lender(s) has agreed to accept less than what is owed on a property to satisfy the loan(s). For example, an owner has a mortgage in the amount of \$275,000, a broker price opinion indicates the property is worth \$200,000 if sold. With an acceptable offer of \$200,00, the bank agrees to accept proceeds after taxes and commission are paid to satisfy the \$275,000 mortgage balance.

Q. How does a seller benefit from a short sale vs. foreclosure?

A. A short sale is generally a smoother transition.

◆ Typically there are no attorney fees incurred in a "short sale."

◆ A short sale bruises a borrower's credit; foreclosure ruins credit.

◆ Short sale is a settlement involving lien negotiation. Foreclosure is a court settlement where liens are extinguished and borrowers can be sued for the debt.

◆ Sellers approved for a short sale can generally purchase a home again in two years; foreclosure inhibits home ownership for up to 10

◆ Sellers stay in home during a short sale process and avoid deficiency judgments.

Q. Does a homeowner have to be behind in his/her payments to be eligible for short sale?

A. Generally a borrower has exhibited some inability to make payments on time.

Q. How does the bank determine the value of a property once an offer is presented?

A. The bank will rely on a broker price opinion along with an appraisal. During the listing period however, the seller should consult with a Realtor for accurate pricing to generate the most interest within the shortest time frame without over or under pricing the property.

Q. How long will it take before the bank approves an offer to purchase and forgives any leftover debt?

A. It depends on the bank. Banks are currently overwhelmed with borrowers/sellers in crisis. Short sale approval takes place after an offer is submitted by your Realtor provided all other documentation has been received/reviewed. The bank will order title work and the appraisal to determine if the offer is acceptable. Every situation is different depending on how much debt is to be forgiven, seller's assets, number of liens on the property, etc.

The approval process can take three months.

Q. What can the homeowners and Realtor do to expedite the process?

A. It is critical to have a good working relationship with your Realtor who should have some knowledge of the short sale process.

Obtain authority for your Realtor to communicate directly with your lender in the form of an authorization letter if possible. You will need to complete a hardship package in a timely fashion. This may include financial disclosure forms, a one page letter explaining the financial hardship, your last two months pay stubs, personal checking account statements for each borrower and copies of signed, personal tax returns from the past two years.

Q. What happens if there are multiple mortgages on one property? Will both lenders be paid?

A. The primary (first mortgage) lender has leverage over other liens. Each lien holder requires a complete hardship package and will need to agree to the short sale.

O. How does a Realtor market a home during the listing period on a short sale?

A. With your permission, your Realtor will disclose the situation of a short sale to other agents viewing your property on the Multiple Listing Service. This can increase buyer activitv. Your Realtor should be aggressive with market analysis and pricing recommendations.

O. What is the Realtor's role once an offer is presented?

◆ The Realtor should qualify

the buyer ensuring that a preapproval letter from a reputable lender has been received and investigated and/or financial assets have been confirmed with a reliable source.

♦ He/she should stay in constant contact with the lender (at least every three days), ensure that the lender has everything they need to proceed, and keep a written log.

If there is any sign of inaction, he/she should contact a supervisor. The buyers' agent should be kept advised of progress on a regular basis to keep the buyer interested and avoid losing the buyer to a quicker sale!

♦ Your Realtor can also submit a "net out" worksheet to assist the lender in determining their liability with the proposed

lacktriangle At closing, your Realtor will ensure that a "short sale" acceptance letter is obtained as proof that the debt has been satisfied.

Q. Will sellers be expected to exhaust all assets, i.e. 401k accounts, IRAs, etc., before their bank will approve a short sale?

A. This will be determined on a case by case basis according to the lender. Generally, if assets are available, sellers are expected to exercise these to satisfy the outstanding mortgage debt themselves at closing. However, do not assume that you cannot negotiate a short sale before speaking to a

Q. If debt is forgiven in a short sale, will I have to report this as phantom income and pay taxes on the debt?

A. To alleviate some of the burden currently incurred by homeowners, President George W. Bush signed the Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act HR 3648 in December of 2007 which exempts homeowners from paying taxes on such income effective Jan. 1, 2007 through Dec. 31, 2009.





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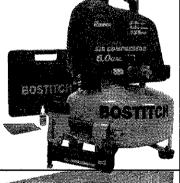
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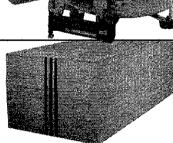
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OBITUARIES

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

Daniel Chapin

Former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Daniel Chapin, 82, died in Pleasant Hill, Calif. Sunday, April 27, 2008 from natural causes.

He was born Nov. 14, 1926 in Grosse Pointe to Roy D. Chapin and Inez Tiedeman Chapin. His father was founder of the Hudson Motor Car Co. and also served as Secretary of Commerce under President Hoover.

Mr. Chapin grew up in Michigan and then attended Yale University, where he earned a degree in engineer-

After serving in the U.S. Navy in 1946, he received an honorable discharge. In 1950 he married Wanda Rose Church and began work for Dow Chemical Corporation. The couple and their children moved to the San Francisco Bay area in 1962.

Mr. Chapin spent the next 20 running Bessler Corporation, while also actively pursuing his passion in life, protecting the environment. An avid duck hunter and fisherman, he saw firsthand the need to preserve the natural habitats of fish and waterfowl.

In the mid-1970s, he dedicated himself full time to conservation and became the president of the California Waterfowl Association.

A modest man, Mr. Chapin worked tirelessly throughout the western U.S. immersing himself in the Sacramento political machine to protect the environment.

He counted among his many accomplishments leading the charge to have lead removed from shotgun ammunition, helping pass legislation protecting the migratory paths of terways.

His family said his motto in life was to always try and leave things in a better condition than how you found them. His selfless commitment to the environment was his way of trying to make things better.

Mr. Chapin is survived by his sons, Spencer, Clifford and Thomas; and daughters, Wendy, Anne and Lisa.

He was predeceased by his wife, Wanda Rose.

Edward A. Krull M.D.

Edward A. Krull M.D., a pioneer in the field of dermatologic surgery and a renowned international lecturer, died Tuesday, April 22, 2008, after a long illness. He was 78.

He began his education with a full scholarship to the Taft School in Watertown, Conn. Upon graduation, he attended Yale University and then Yale University Medical School. Upon completion of his studies at Yale, Dr. Krull traveled west to fulfill a rotating internship at San Francisco City and County, Haven, CT 06510. Hospital in 1956.

In 1976, Dr. Krull became chairman of dermatology at Henry Ford Hospital. Under his leadership, the department continued to be one of the largest and most respected in the country, focusing on academics, clinical care and the humanitarian aspects of dermatologic practice and the care of patients.

cherished teacher and mentor to more that 250 residents over the past 41 years. Colleagues described him as one of the most innovative leaders, a pioneer in his field and a man whose guidance and wisdom at the national level were rec-

ognized and lauded. He will be remembered for his kindness and generosity of spirit. Dr. Krull served on the board of governors and the board of trustees of the Henry Ford Health Systems. He was a member of the American Board of Dermatology for 10

years and also served as its president. He was a member of the ACGME residency review committee for dermatology and its chair for seven years. During this time dermatology was officially recognized as both a medical and surgical specialty.

Dr. Krull also served as a member of the board of directors of the American Academy of Dermatology, as vice-president and president of the American Society Dermatology and president of the American Dermatological Association and the Michigan Dermatological Society. He co-founded and served as the first president of the Association of Academic Dermatological Surgeons.

He was awarded the 2005 Whitehouse Fred Distinguished Service Award for the Henry Ford Medical Group, and the Gold Medal and honorary membership from the American Academy of Dermatology. He was the first dermatologist to receive the Leon Goldman Award from the American Society of Dermatologic Surgery.

In 2006 Dr. Krull was awardthe Dermatology* Foundation Lifetime Career Stallings, George Reindel IV waterfowl, and bringing public Educator Award and will be and Susan (David) Tobbe; and attention to the damages sele- posthumously awarded the three grandchildren, Elizabeth nium has on wetlands and wa- American Academy of and Kevin Lynch, and Dermatology Dermatologist Award at the 2009 American Academy of National Dermatology

> Meeting. His family said Dr. Krull was deeply touched and humbled when patients, former residents, staff, foundation and individual donors established the Edward A. Krull, M.D. Chair in Dermatologic Surgery in his honor.

> Dr. Krull is survived by his wife, Joan; daughters, Lisa (Phillip) King, and Lael (Benjamin) Caldwell; son, Edward A. (Theresa) Krull Jr.; and six grandchildren.

> Funeral services were held at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial donations may be made to the Edward A. Krull Education Fund, Henry Ford Medical Center, 3031 W. Grand Blvd., Suite 800, Detroit, MI 48202; The Taft School, 110 Woodbury Road, Watertown, CT 06795; or The Yale University, Yale Alumni Fund, Attn: Dianne Nelson, Assistant Director, 157 Church St., New

Margaret E. Lannen

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Margaret E. Lannen, 82, died Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at Beaumont Hospital, Troy. She had been Emily Priestman. living in St. Clair Shores.

Mrs. Lannen was born Jan. husband, 10, 1926 in Utica, N.Y. She was Priestman; her parents; and His family said he was a a wife, mother and homemak-her brother, Edward Corbett.

Mrs. Lannen is survived by her sons, William (Martha) and Gary (Rose); daughter-in-law Sheila Lannen; and grandchildren, Kelly, Rachel, Robert, Thomas, Sean and David.

She was predeceased by her husband, Robert T.; son, Robert; parents, Horace and Catherine Welch; and her sister, Marion Murray.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Margaret of Scotland Church in St. Clair Shores with the Rev. Ronald DeHondt officiating. Interment was at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

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

James Gallagher McMahon

Longtime City of Grosse Pointe resident James Gallagher McMahon, 82, died Monday, April 28, 2008, after a short illness.

He was born April 23, 1926 in Detroit to Isabella and Gerald McMahon.

Mr. McMahon graduated from Wayne State University in 1950 and Detroit College of Law in 1969. He practiced law as a Wayne County prosecutor and then established his own law firm in St. Clair Shores in 1975, where his daughter, Laura, joined him in his practice.

When he was not working, he enjoyed reading, fine dining and following local sports with his bride, Cindy.

Mr. McMahon is survived by his wife, Lucinda "Cindy"; daughters, Martha (Robert Farr) McMahon and Laura McMahon (Terrance) Lynch; stepchildren, Sally (Jeffery) Master Elizabeth Stallings.

> A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, May 2 at of family, God and country, as Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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

Lois A. Priestman

Former longtime Grosse Pointe resident Lois A. Priestman, 86, of Uniontown, Ohio, passed away Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at her residence.

She was born March 21, 1922 in Akron, Ohio to Edward and Oral Corbett.

Mrs. Priestman was an accomplished pianist and organ-

At one time, she had her own radio show in Akron.

She lived in Grosse Pointe from 1954 to 1980, during which time she was active in the Grosse Pointe Woman's

Mrs. Priestman is survived by her daughter, Deborah S. Lash of Richwood, Ohio; son and daughter-in-law, Barry and Karen Priestman of Port Huron; grandchildren, Gary and Rodney Lash, and and Heather Michelle Priestman; and great-grandchildren, Ashley Lash and

She was predeceased by her Bewley



Dr. Edward A. Krull

According to her wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be no services.

The family wishes to extend a special thanks to Hospice of Visiting Nurse Service and caretaker, Cathy Starcher.

Share a memory with the family NewcomerFamily.com.

Daniel John "Jack" Scully

Daniel John "Jack" Scully, 90, died peacefully surrounded by his family on Monday, April 7,2008.

Mr. Scully was born Nov. 15, 1917 in Watertown, S.D. to the late Daniel T. and Sarah (nee Jordan) Scully. He served with distinction in the U.S. Marine Corps. in the Pacific theater during World War II, achieving the rank of major.

Mr. Scully met Kathryn Ruth "Kaye" Schlukbier, at the University of North Dakota where he earned his law degree. They were married in 1943.

He was a retired member of the State Bar of California and was involved in a variety of civic, church, charitable and professional organizations, but was most proud of being a American Board of Trial Advocates in 1958.

Mr. Scully moved to Michigan in 1993 and resided at Henry Ford Village.

He enjoyed golfing with his son and grandson at the Country Club of Detroit and Crystal Downs Country Club.

dedication to the law, his love well as for a quick wit and gentle nature.

He is survived by his children, Kathryn Ann Clark of Coto de Caza, Calif. and Daniel J. Jr. (Peggy King) of Grosse Pointe Farms; grandchildren, Kevin, Megan (Thom) Dickson, Tim, Sarah, Erin and Mike; great-grandchildren, Jack and Kate; siblings, Tom (Mary), Helen (Lee) Meyer; brother-in-law, Frank (Virginia) Schlukbier; and many nieces, nephews, friends and colleagues.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Kaye; son-in-law, Brian Clark; grandchild, Mary Kate; his twin brother, Bill (Kay); his other siblings, Frank (Ginger), Margaret (John) Hanten and Dorothy (Burt) Burton; and his brother-in-law, Bud (Echo) Schlukbier.

He also was predeceased by his trusty beagle, "Corky."

A funeral Mass was celebrated at San Francisco Solano, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. with interment at All Soul's Catholic Cemetery in Long Beach, Calif.

Family and friends in Michigan will gather to remember Mr. Scully at an open house Saturday, May 10 at Henry Ford Village.

Walter J. Tyrrell

Shores resident Walter J.

Former Grosse Pointe



James Gallagher McMahon



Walter J. Tyrreli

Tyrrell, 74, was called home Thursday, April 17, 2008, in Keego Harbor.

He was born in Detroit to Walter and Alice Dueweke Tyrrell and lived for many years as a child and again as an adult on Vernier Road. He graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1955. He worked for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 58 for 52 years, retiring in 1996.

Friends and family knew Mr. Tyrrell by a myriad of nicknames: Mickey, Wally, Ty-Rap and the Old Codge.

He enjoyed fishing and huntfounding member of the ing with his beloved dog, Dewers.

He also enjoyed golfing, playing pool and spending time with his brother, Bob. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

His family said some of his fondest memories of his youth were spending time with his His family said Mr. Scully mother at the Grosse Pointe will be remembered for his Yacht Club where she worked.

Mr. Tyrell is survived by his wife, Ruby Tyrrell; former wife, Jan Tyrrell; son, Terry (Shawn) Tyrrell: daughters, Holly (Derek) Langton, Cheri "Chea" (Joe) Radzwion, and Shellie (Christopher) Tyrrell-Herman; stepsons, Daniel "Danny" (Melissa) Blaszkiewicz and Clayton "Clay" (Kelly) Siple Jr.; and stepdaughter, Wendy (Tom) Steiger.

He also is survived by his grandchildren, Katie, Chea, and Brooke Tyrrell, Morgan and Taylor "T.J." Couvreur, Alec Langton, Joe and James Radzwion and Adelaide "Addie" Herman; stepgranchildren, David, Taryn, Christian and Kennedy Blaszkiewicz, Cody and Logan Steiger, and Damon, Jessica and Connor Siple.

He also is survived by his sister, Helen (Bob) Ross; and brothers, Virgil "Bud" (the late Fran) Tyrrell, Patrick (Patricia "Pete") Tyrrell, and Robert (Sharon) Tyrrell.

He was predeceased by his parents; son-in-law, Daniel Couvreur; sister, Virginia Hentges; and brothers, Donald and William.

Services were arranged by S.K. Schultz Funeral Home of Clinton Township.

Memorial donations may be made to Cranbrook Hospice, 281 Enterprise Court, Suite 200, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 or the American Cancer Society, 20450 Civic Center Dr., Southfield, MI 48076.



Daniel John "Jack" Scully



Douglas K. Willis

Janice Lee Wedge

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Janice Lee Wedge, 58, died Thursday, April 17, 2008. She had been living in St. Clair Shores.

She was born March 26, 1950 in the City of Grosse Pointe to Dr. George and Mary Catherine Wedge.

Miss Wedge suffered from cerebral palsy most of her life and was a member of The Michigan League of Crippled Children in her youth. She attended Liberty University and earned an associate degree in divinity. She was a few credits short of her Bachelor of Arts degree in business at the time of her death. She achieved her degree even with the use of only one finger to type her many papers and correspondence.

In spite of her challenges, Miss Wedge was active in Grosse Pointe Baptist Church and its Adventure Club, a youth program for children in grades 3 through 5.

She also enjoyed making greeting cards.

Miss Wedge is survived by her mother; and brother, Jack Wedge. She was predeceased by her

father. A funeral service was held at Grosse Pointe Baptist Church

in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial donations may be made to In-House Hospice Solutions, 24293 Telegraph Rd., Suite 102, Southfield, MI

Douglas K. Willis

Douglas K. Willis, 81, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, at Parkway Health Rehabilitation Center in Stuart,

He was born on March 23, 1926 in Detroit to Johanna and William Willis and graduated from Southeastern High School and Eastern Michigan University.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Mr. Willis had a long and successful career in the automotive industry. He was vice president of Van Wormer Industries which later became Masco Tech of Detroit. He retired in 1987.

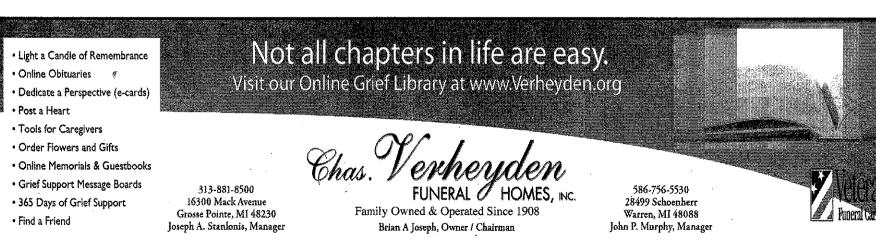
He enjoyed many years of retirement traveling to Stuart for the winter months. He enjoyed playing golf and tennis, as well as traveling with his many wonderful friends. Mr. Willis was a member of

the Tom Falkenberg Tennis Club in Stuart, The Indian Village Tennis Club in Detroit and The Senior Men's Golf League in St. Clair Shores.

He also was a longtime member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Mr. Willis' family said he will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend, and for being very generous, kind and dependable. They said he will be missed greatly.

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Shores to decide if it takes a village or city

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Dr. James Cooper is convinced that next week's Grosse I'm confident of it." Pointe Shores referendum is a matter of dollars and good

On Tuesday, May 6, Shores voters will determine if the village should switch to city sta-

Cooper, Shores president, said incorporating as a city would save taxpayer money by eliminating a layer of government and combining administrative tasks to achieve Macomb economies of scale.

"It's a wise choice to streamline government, consolidate services and reduce expenses," said Cooper.

"My rough estimate for sav-Mike Kenyon, village manager. Cooper. "We keep at least three

city may permit a tax reduction. I don't think residents will notice any change in services.

Village officials have been discussing the switch informally for decades. Matters entered officialdom late last year because state legislators proposed eliminating townships and shifting such duties to counties.

Shores boundaries encompass two townships, Grosse Pointe and Lake, while overlapping parts of Wayne and counties. Incorporation is intended to eliminate both townships and

"We have two township boards being paid, and face accounting and legal fees to run ings is \$225,000 per year," said at least three entities," said

related costs.

(administrative) time involved to run the two townships. We won't have to have township meetings that administrative people attend."

"collect school taxes, run elections and do assessments. This becomes an issue of local con-

Cooper said city status wouldn't alter municipal or school district boundaries, nor increase property taxes. Although cities can impose income taxes, Cooper said there are no plans to do so in the Shores.

Likewise, although cities that span multiple counties can shed one county and consolidate in the other, Cooper said there are no plans to do so. If the Shores were entirely in Macomb County, however, to-

compared with 48.0694 in Wayne, a savings of 6.379 mills.

Shores residents might be able to have their city and keep In addition, he said cities can a village, too. In a letter about the referendum sent last week to residents, it was suggested that the community could rename itself the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan city.

Charter commission

Also to be decided May 6 is the election of nine members to a charter commission. Commissioners will draft a city charter for voter approval. The commission will go into effect only if a majority of voters choose city status.

Cooper said the village council discussed incorporation at its December 2007 meeting. A

Cooper added, "Becoming a sets of books. There's a lot of tal mills would be 38.6904 Dec. 19, 2007 letter to residents sent letters to their residents recommended next week's

election and sought questions. "Residents were given opportunities to voice their opinions," Cooper said. "Since December, we've had five council meetings and five townships meetings. I attended Lake Township meetings and

after I met with the township board in January. We had a meeting for Lake Township residents in March to answer

questions." An article on the matter appears in the current issue of the village newsletter. Shorelines."

Charter commission candidates reaches 12

Twelve candidates are run- the Shores Improvement ning May 6 for the Grosse Pointe Shores charter commis-

Voters will chose nine commissioners whose duties will be to draft a city charter.

The draft will need approval by the governor before Shores voters have the final say, possibly at the November general election. The commission won't be es-

tablished if voters don't support switching the Shores from village to city status.

Candidates and examples of their community involvement

◆ David Aitken, trustee of the Shores Improvement Foundation:

◆ Laura B. Bartel, member of the Grosse Pointe Public

Library board; ◆ Brian Geraghty, Shores harbor committee and Sharks

swim team volunteer; ◆ Robert Graziani, trustee of

Foundation; village and Grosse Pointe Township clerk;

◆ Mary C. Huebner, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce: • Brett Marshall, village

forester and Shores Improvement Foundation trustee:

◆ Patrick J. McCarroll, planning commission member;

◆ Gary J. Mitchell, Grosse Pointe Township Board member and retired public safety di-

◆ Frederick Minturn, village and Grosse Pointe Schools trustee;

◆ Mike Monahan, planning commission member;

♦ Glenn Peters, village trustee, Lake Township board member and Shores Improvement : Foundation member;

◆ Linda S. Walton, village trustee.

— Brad Lindberg

Pier marina cleared of obstructions

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Police rescue divers this keels," he said. month groped through murky waters of Grosse Pointe Farms municipal harbor searching for submerged objects that harassed navigation.

"We marked debris that boats had struck last season so a repair company could pull those obstructions out," said public safety officer Chris Fontaine, coordinator of the five-man dive team. "We ran the new harbor. into metal pipes and large pieces of concrete; construction debris including old re-

He thinks some items may have dated back decades to the harbor's original construction and subsequent renovations.

John Walko, a 22-year police veteran but dive team rookie. swam methodically in one-foot visibility at depths to 15 feet.

for sailboats because of their

Being careful not to rustle silt from the muddy bottom, Walko felt his way to find an old skateboard encrusted with zebra mussels.

"Some kid must have lost his skateboard. He's probably an adult now," Walko said.

Most debris came from areas that hadn't been dredged in 2006 during construction of

A marine construction company last week followed divers with a crane balanced on a barge to haul out debris and repair a section of dock damaged during last summer's boat fire.

"They replaced a wood post and did a little dock work," said Shane Reeside, city manager. "In addition, some wells east of the observation deck had not been dredged for har-

struction, a particular hazard moved pieces of concrete in those areas."

The three-hour dive doubled as a public safety training session. The team exists to conduct search, rescue and recovery missions.

"Last summer, we assisted the Detroit Police Department recover a shotgun off Moran that had been used in a homicide," Fontaine said.

Fontaine said the team was formalized after a 1997 wind storm caused the drowning of some parkgoers.

"There was a volunteer unit several years ago, but most members had either stopped participating or had moved out of the area," Fontaine said. "Basically, we supplement Wayne County's marine unit. But, we're able to assemble a unit within a half hour, whereas the county would have to come from downriver. A quick

"We found a big cement ob- bor expansion. So, we re- response makes a victim's chances for survival a lot bet-

Divers protect themselves by being tethered by rope to support personnel stationed shoreside or in a boat. Communication is by variation of the jungle telegraph.

"Three tugs on the rope indicate the item being searched has been found," Fontaine said. "Four tugs registers danger."

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The Shanghai reader

Beth and Hayley Carpenter of Grosse Pointe Park took the Grosse Pointe News along when they visited the Yu Yuan (Yu Garden) in Shanghai. They were there on Feb. 18, the eve of the Lantern Festival, observed on the first full moon following the Chinese New Year. Some of the lanterns have riddles hanging from them and children are encouraged to solve the riddles to win a prize. 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@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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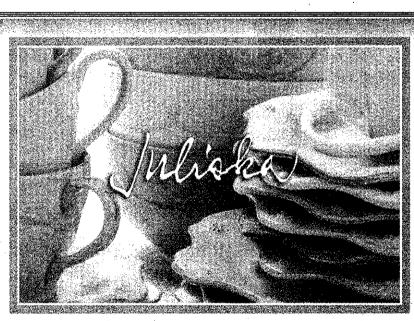
He is survived by Vonnie, his

ter, Laurel (James) Knoska, granddaughter, Erin (Tyson) Crist; grandson, James Knoska II; brother, Edward Willis; his sister, Ella Goetz; and many loving nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents; and his sister, Lillian Seifferlein.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held at 11 loving wife of 47 years; daugh- a.m. Friday, May 9, at Grosse

Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, 11325 Montrose, Detroit, MI 48227 or to the charity of the donor's choice. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Hospice of the Treasure Coast, as well as to the staff at Parkway of Stuart, Fla.



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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

40-year-old time capsule opened



HOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

By Ann L. Fouty Features Editor

Do you know why the ceilings in Grosse Pointe North High School are so low?

Former board of education member Barbara Thompson asked the question prior to the opening of a time capsule in recognition of the 40th anniversary of the school's opening.

The ceiling height had to adhere to a city ordinance, she said answering her own question

"We tried hard to keep the community happy," Thompson said.

This and other facts were retold as past graduates, members of the class of 2008, former and present board members, teachers, parents, representatives of North's and South's school newspapers and school administrators gathered for the time capsule opening, which had been buried within the school's cornerstone.

Stacked inside the retangular, copper container were 14 envelopes, a dollar bill, a faded Polaroid picture of five people holding the box and two sheets of paper.

Pulled from envelopes were blueprints of North, a year book, a copy of the Grosse Pointe Education Association and board of education master contract, an administrator's guide, suggested space allotments for Grosse Pointe High school and recommendations for Grosse Pointe High School building needs. A copy of a chemistry test was tucked in one manila envelope; a Life magazine in another.

A student opinion questionnaire was pulled from another envelope. On it were student responses to questions about the future.

Answers included:

"We will be able to see and hear programs from Europe regularly." "With the touch of a button

we will be able to place calls."

"There will be visual telephones."

"There will be cultural and intellectual television programs."

"Clothing will be permanent press."

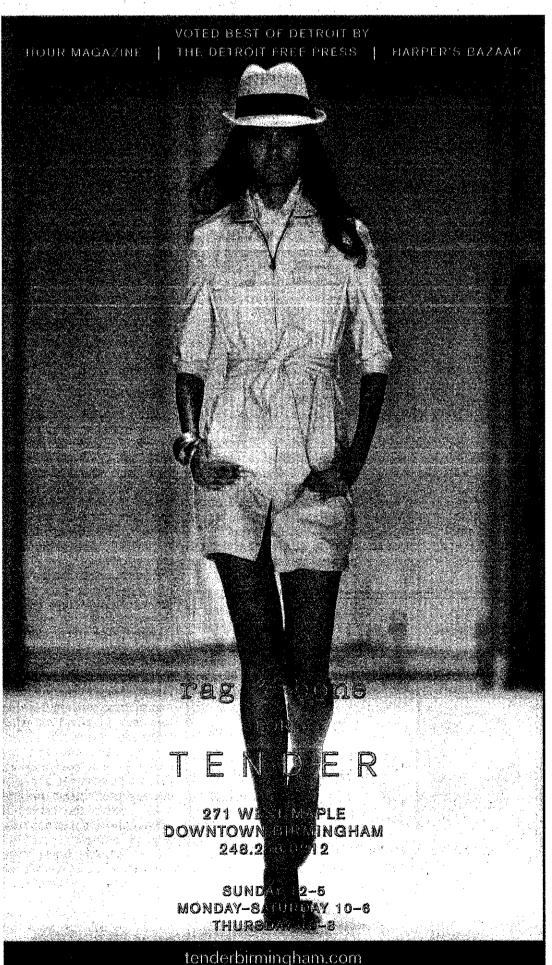
"Girls will be wearing trousers."

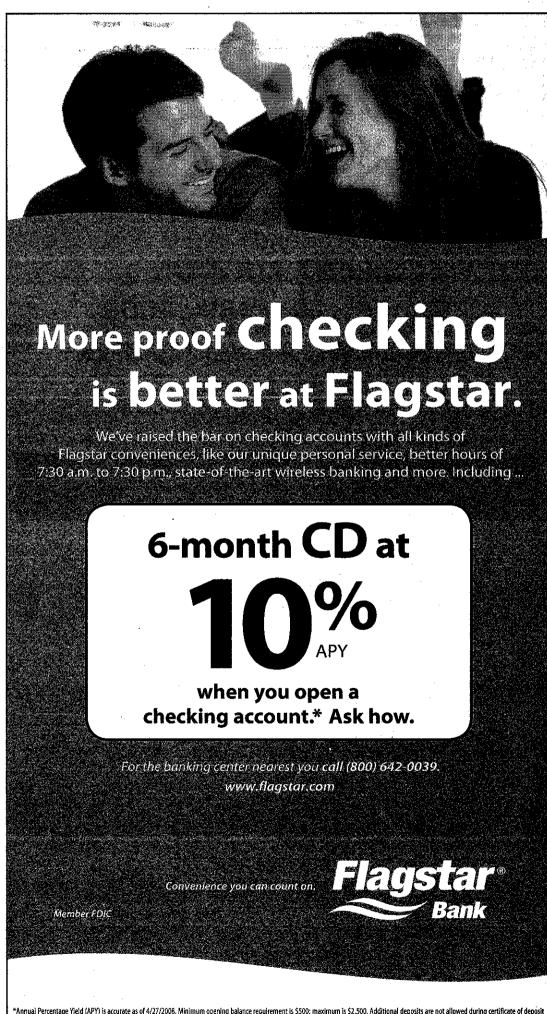
"Less clothing will be worn."

"There will be hovercrafts."

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Brian Like, student association president, 2008 class president Chelsea Smilaek and 1968 board of education member Barbara Thompson look at a 1968 issue of Life which was included in the time capsule buried with the cornerstone when Grosse Pointe North High School was constructed. The time capsule was opened on April 24.





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CAPSULE: Little piece of history

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Memories

Gary Marowske, a 1972 graduate of North in a class of 636, played in the band and was a member of the cross country team. He recalled that band rehearsals took place in the cafeteria because the band room wasn't ready.

Marowske added that there were no lockers in one portion of the building and the sports fields weren't ready for the first teams. Instead the sports teams used South's facilities. The only vocational classes available centered around auto shop, and driver's ed was taught through the school, with cars donated by local dealerships.

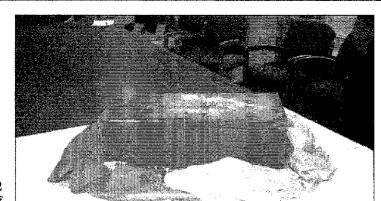
Marowske, who had tucked a copy of the Tower in the time capsule back in 1968, reminded former classmates Jay Charvat and Susan Cischke that the ceiling above the pool had to be sandblasted after someone wrote "Ho lives" on it, referring to Ho Chi Minh.

Cischke, also a 1972 graduate, talked about clothing styles. Girls were not allowed to wear slacks or shorts and skirts were measured for length.

She also remembers the pep rallies before sporting events.

Her most vivid memory of being one of the first students at North was learning which stairs were solely used for going up the second floor and which set of stairs were used for descending.

Another 1972 graduate, Charvat, was one of the students given a silver shovel to break the ground. He had fond memories and recalled how the administrators futilely



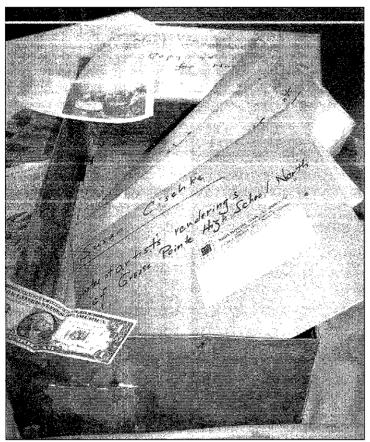


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Grosse Pointe North's time capsule unearthed after 40 years.

camaraderie displayed during length of sideburns. He played baseball on North's team alongside Gary Bennett, a current math teacher and coach at the high school.

After the adults finished reminiscing over the musty papers and papers, whose staples had disintegrated, seniors Chelsea Smilaek, the 2008 class president, and Brian Like, student association president, lingered and read the items from the envelopes.

Noting they are true Norsemen, the two said they attempted to regulate the were pleased with the mascot

chosen 40 years ago. The duo liked the idea that certain traditions have remained, such as homecoming and crowning of a queen. However, Smilaek noted that now homecomings have a theme and floats are not built at random.

Also, the "Proem," the school's literary magazine, has sustained through the years.

"It's a harbinger of North. It's a showcase of literary talent," she said.

A new time capsule has been suggested with ideas to include a CD of music from



PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY

From left, Sue Cischke and Jay Charvat look over the news of 1968, the year they entered Grosse Pointe North High School. The papers were included in a time capsule opened on April 24.

We were stripping the walls. It seemed the time to do it and not tear up the office. We talked about it last summer.'

CHUCK ROSE. Grosse Pointe North custodian

2008 and an issue of Time magazine.

Construction

The Grosse Pointe Board of education began discussions about building another high school in 1963 because the high school, now South, was too crowded for the 3,000 students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades.

Initially, property around the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and the Lochmoor Club were considered, but determined to be too small, said Barbara Thompson, who was elected to the board in 1964.

Finally, property at Vernier ind Methingside was decined

A total of 31.7 acres was purchased. Some 29.53 acres was bought from Edward and Frank Vanderbush and 2.17 from John Baker for \$662,823 acre.

In March 1965, voters approved two millages, to be spread over 30 years, for the construction of North High School.

The first proposal included \$7.6 million for the new school and renovations to the older high school. Voters approved it 6,009 to 2,826.

The second ballot -\$750,000 for the auditorium - narrowly passed 4,514 to The architect and engineers

were Harley Ellington, Cowin & Strinton, Inc. and construction was done by J.A.

Ferguson Construction, Inc. Ground was broken for the high school on Nov. 12, 1966.

General construction, mechanical, electrical and heating and ventilation cost \$5.5 million.

Additional expenditures included \$562,000 for site improvement, parking and landscaping; \$85,000 sewer and utilities; \$700,000 for fixed and movable equipment; \$300,000 in professional fees; and \$250,000 in alterations to the existing high school.



From left, North Assistant Principal Tom Teetaert, Fab 40 cochairs Debbie Mann and Sue Koski, and North Principal Tim

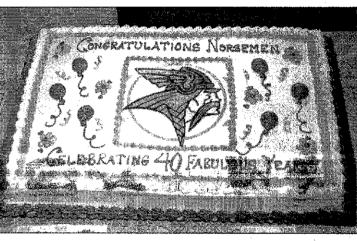


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or an average of \$20,889 per Observing the 40th anniversary of North on April 25, a Fab 40 party cake, complete with North's colors of green and yellow, was brought out.

"We were told," Thompson said, "This would be the last school ever built for this price."

Piles were driven to bed rock under the library because the books were heavy, other piles were not driven as deep, she said.

The academic and physical education wings would encompass 292,000 square feet and the auditorium and instructional center another 30,000 square feet.

The opening

While the building was intended to open in 1967, it wasn't until Sept. 4, 1968 that the doors swung open and students and new staff moved in.

It had been 60 years since Grosse Pointe High school (now South) had opened.

William Craig, who had experience pulling a new school togethers, was named principal. The staff was split and offered positions at North.

North had 92 teaching stations, "a football field, a quarter mile track, two baseball fields that also will serve as a practice football field, tennis courts and an area for girls field hockey," said the Aug. 29, 1968 issue of the Grosse Pointe News. The building was dedicated

in 1968 and the first year, ninth through 11th graders attend-Seniors continued to attend

and graduated from what would be renamed South High

Craig expected 82 percent of the 2,000 students under his eye to continue on to higher education.

Discovery

Maintenance engineer Chuck Rose has an interest in the history of the district and was looking through an old year book when he noticed there was a time capsule buried at North. He located the time capsule and cut through dry wall and bricks to retrieve the box behind the

cornerstone. Renovations to the main office were taking place and it seemed an opportune time to remove the capsule with little damage to the office wall.

"We were stripping the walls. It seemed the time to do it and not tear up the office. We talked about it last summer. (North Principal Tim) Bearden said 'let's do it and see what we can do'," Rose said.

The copper box was encased in the cornerstone. Prior to its removal, a mason checked the location and the work to reduce the number of bricks to be removed and subsequent damage.

Rose said two bricks were removed to see it and three or four to remove the box. It has since been resealed.

The time capsule was opened to coincide with the Fab 40 party held April 25 in observance of the 40th anniversary of the school.

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Henry Fords' golden gala displayed

Seventy years ago, people from across the world gathered to help the man who put the world on wheels celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary.

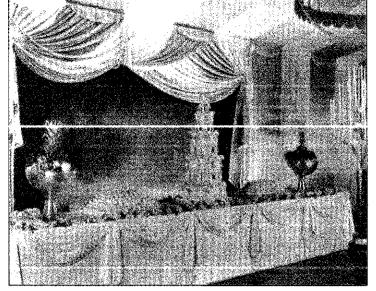
At a gala thrown by son Edsel and his wife, Eleanor, Henry and Clara Ford were honored by friends, family and business associates.

On view through June 29 in the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Activities Center and portions of the home are displays of photographs, sketches and artifacts depicting The Golden Gala at Gaukler Pointe.

While newspapers quoted Henry Ford as saying "Edsel and Eleanor are fixing something up," the resulting party was anything but simple. The décor was designed by Walter Dorwin Teague and included extensive tenting, draping of walls, removal of chandeliers and custom made serving pieces.

The guest list read like a "who's who" among the social elite and nationally prominent of the era: Firestone, Fisher, Kahn, Chrysler, Rockefeller, Stroh and more than 600 others helped the couple observe their golden anniversary. Visitors can peruse the list and mini biographies of some of the well-known guests.

The Ford House is sharing details from the gala to help visitors understand other aspects of the hosts that may orations was a large "locket"



The anniversary cake

not be as well known.

"While Edsel and Eleanor certainly had refined, understated tastes when it came to hosting a party, they planned wonderfully imaginative themes and used their many resources to create memorable events," said David Janssen, vice president of internal operations at the Ford House. "The information in the Golden Gala display reveals many interesting facets of Edsel and Eleanor — their creativity, attention to detail, social standing and most importantly their relationship with and admiration for Henry and Clara."

The centerpiece of the dec-

designed by Teague and fitted with images of Henry and Clara from their wedding day.

The original locket is now displayed in the home's gallery where the party took place, along with photographs and sketches to help guests envision the room as it was during the party's transformation. Music selections that were played by a live band during the party will fill the room.

Another focal point was the intricately designed cake, created by a baker in New York City. Seven hundred individual pieces of cake were boxed, wrapped with white satin ribbon and sealed with a gold-colored medallion bear-

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Edsel and Eleanor Ford and Clara and Henry Ford

ing the profiles of Henry and tend a lecture entitled High Clara. The Ford House has Society: The Social Scene, displayed seven of the original cake boxes, which still contained the individual pieces of cake from the party, alongside images of the

Those interested in learning more about parties like The who attended them can at-

Arts and Entertainment in the 1930s, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 3. The cost is \$5 and reservations are recommended.

The Golden Gala display can be seen at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House with regular tour admission now Golden Gala and the people through June 29. Guided tours are given at 10 a.m. and

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The Beaver Creek reader

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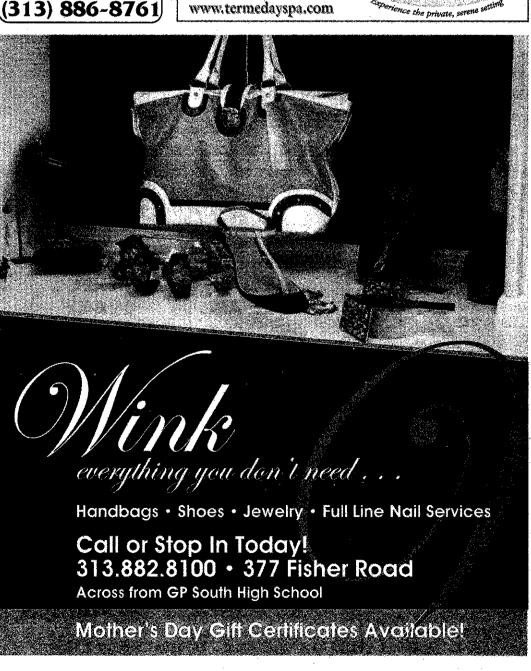
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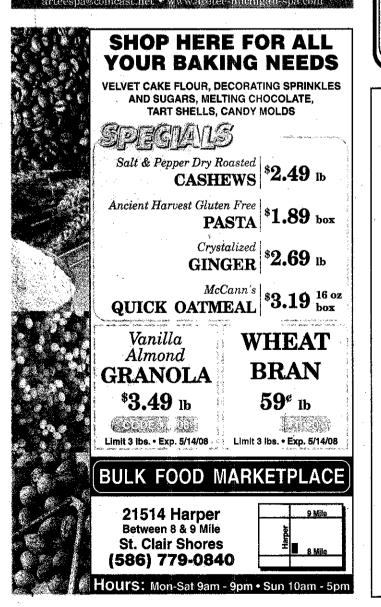
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City of Grosse Pointe

Egged and TPed

On Sunday, April 20, a City woman found her blue 2002 Chevrolet Avalanchie pickup strewn with broken eggs and toilet paper. Consequences of the apparent prank escalated when the vehicle's finish was discovered to be scratched and chipped.

Police investigating the matter said a 17-year-old female high school student is a "person of interest."

Car damaged

A City of Grosse Pointe woman said her Chrysler LeBaron was damaged while parked in the 17000 block of Maumee between Tuesday, April 22, at 5 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. the next day.

Police reported the driver side door handle and lock were broken.

Caught driving

On Wednesday, April 23, a patrolman caught a 23-yearold Hamtramck woman with 12 driving suspensions making an illegal right turn on red from Kercheval to Cadieux.

Police said she also had a warrant for \$750 from Hamtramck for failure to appear in court.

Teens battle

A 17-year-old Grosse Pointe High School female said her Chevrolet Avalanche was vandalized with scratches, while parked in the J Lot between 3 and 4 p.m. Thursday, April 24. She also reported receiving a text message, "Ha Ha I bet your car looks so much better, that swhat you get."

The girl said the message came from a 17-year-old female student from the Park with whom she's had ongoing antagonism. Police said the a boyfriend.

On Monday, April 21, police handled a report about the two girls fighting at school.

Truck recovered

A landscaper's truck and trailer, minus most of the equipment it normally carries. was found parked overnight Friday, April 25, in the 800 block of Notre Dame near Charlevoix. The vehicle had been stolen in East Pointe.

A City resident had read a news account of the theft and reported the vehicle to police. — Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Unladylike

Instances of "ongoing criminal behavior" by a Farms female juvenile have been referred to the detective bureau.

The latest incident on Sunday, April 20, involved the girl and friends bullying an 84-year-old neighbor in the 400 block of Belanger.

"Girls bang on the front door, peer through windows (and) scream obscenities," police said. "On a recent occasion, one of the girls reached through the victim's mail slot, which empties into a closet, and pulled numerous coats through the slot. The victim has become quite fearful of Cloverly. this group.'

Police said the girl "said she was one of the (people) responsible for these offenses." Officers spoke to the girl's

Beats it

At 6:44 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, a member of the public safety bike patrol arrested a 52-year-old Detroit male cyclist seen yelling at the female problem appeared to concern driver of a vehicle at Mack

and Kerby.

"(I) saw the male beat on the hood of the vehicle with his fists," said the officer.

When the officer approached, the frightened driver said, "Oh, thank God."

"The (man) took off pedaling northbound on Gateshead (in Detroit)," police said.

A short pursuit ended with the officer riding down the suspect, who crashed and lost consciousness temporarily. Medics took him to a hospital. Police said the man smelled of alcohol and was angry at the driver for getting in his way.

Cracked up

A 44-year-old Detroit woman faces arrest upon her release from an area hospital for substance abuse treat-

At 3:20 a.m. Saturday, April 26, hospital personnel told police that the woman arrived for treatment possessing crack cocaine and a pipe.

Mouths off

A 19-year-old City man told Farms police they should "find something better to do" than arrest him on an outstanding warrant. He was wanted for failing to appear in Farms municipal court on charges of driving while suspended.

The teenager attracted police notice at about 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26, while driving a red 1992 Mitsubishi 3000GT on Williams near

See the light

G.P.N.: 5/1/2008

property owners:

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A 23-year-old Commerce Township man with a 19 percent blood alcohol level was arrested on Sunday, April 27, at Cadieux and Mack. Police said the man ran a red light.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Park

A good neighbor

At 12:04 a.m. Monday, April 21, Fire Engine and Tower No. 1 responded to a three alarm fire in a house fire located in the 200 block of Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Nine Park fire fighters were involved with ventilation, suppression and support operations. The fire was under control at 2:27 a.m.

Playing hooky

At 2:19 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, police stopped two Grosse Pointe Park juveniles, who were loitering at the corner of St. Paul and Grayton. The youths were found to be in possession of marijuana and were investigated for truancy. Both were detained and re-

Two Audubon fires

leased to their parents.

At 7:49 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, all fire apparatus responded to a report of heavy smoke in a house in the 1300 block of Audubon. A thermal imaging camera was used to confirm a fire in a wall.

Fire fighters opened the wall and extinguished the fire. Minimal damage was done to the house.

The fire may have been the result of a cable television installation crew drilling through the brick outside the house.

At 2:17 p.m Friday, April 25, Fire Engine No. 1 responded to a report of smoke in a house located in the 1000 block of Audubon. Fire fighters found the incident to be the result of a careless cook.

There was no fire and the smoke was cleared with a fan.

Meter buster

City of Grosse Hointe Monds, Michigan

NOTICE TO BIDDERS - Portfolio Management

Services: Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office

of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods,

Michigan, until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at which time and place the proposals received from investment management firms will be publicly opened and read aloud for

portfolio management services for short-term operating funds.

Copies of specifications may be obtained from the City Clerk.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to

waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any

City of Grosse Hointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ZONING VARIANCE REQUESTS

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Public Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on

Monday, May 19, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning

Board of Appeals will consider the variance requests for the following

Mr. Gregory Dettloff-313 Roosevelt Pl. - Setbacks and Lot Coverage

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing,

written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on May 15, 2008.

If further information is needed, please contact Grosse Pointe

Building Dept., 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230, Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Telephone: 313-885-5800.

proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

At 10:35 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, police arrested a 65-

Lisa Kay Hathaway, CMC City Clerk

meter at the corner of smoke or fire. Jefferson and Wayburn.

Dodge damaged

Police are investigating damage to the door lock on a 1996 Dodge Intrepid parked overnight Sunday, April 20, in the 1000 block of Lakepointe.

Police reported entry to the vehicle was not gained.

Arrested

At 3:13 p.m. Thursday, April 24, police investigated a report of an intoxicated man loitering in the 17000 block of Mack. Police found the 23year-old to be in possession of narcotics. He was taken to the station and arrested.

A rash of thefts

recent thefts of the following vehicles:

 Between 6:30 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, a 1994 Dodge Spirit was taken from a parking lot at Mack and Somerset.

◆ Between 12:30 and 2 a.m. Sunday, April 27, a 1994 Plymouth Duster parked at the corner of Wayburn and Mack was stolen.

◆ Between 7:30 and 11:50 p.m. Friday, April 25, a black 2005 Dodge 1500 pick up truck parked in the 1100 block of Bishop was stolen.

◆ Overnight Thursday, April 24, a silver 1997 Dodge Neon parked at the corner of Korte and Barrington was stolen.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to Public Safety Officer Christopher Jones, who observed 14 years with the public safety department on April 22.

Congratulations to Sgt. Steve Johnson, who observes 31 years with department on May 2. — Beth Quinn

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Keep it clean

On the morning of Tuesday, April 22, police reminded a construction contractor working on Shoreham of the rules prohibiting the storage of dirt and debris in the roadway.

"The crew (said they) would clean the area of excess dirt left at the end of the work day," police said.

False fire

false alarm. A resident report- 2400.

year-old Detroit man as he ed smelling something burnwas breaking into a parking ing, but officers didn't find any

Pelted

At 4 a.m. Saturday, April 26, a patrolman found a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria pelted with eggs while parked on Blairmoor. Officers searched the neighborhood but found no suspects. The car was registered to a man from Harsens Island.

— Brad Lindberg Those with information on these or any crimes should call the Grosse Pointe Shores police department at (313) 343-

Grosse Pointe Woods

Watch your purse

A guest at a gold selling par-Police are investigating the ty on Wednesday, April 23 at a home on South Oxford reported to police that \$825 was missing from her purse. Police said she received the money for gold jewelry she had sold.

Another guest at the party questioned, but no charges have been filed.

Slap shot

A hockey puck was apparently used to smash the back window of a Saturn Vue parked on Norwood between 5 and 9 p.m. Sunday, April 27. Police found the puck on the street near the car with glass embedded in it. No other cars were damaged.

Bikes taken

Three bikes were taken from unlocked garages over the weekend of April 25-26. Garages on Hampton and Lancaster were targeted.

Police remind residents to keep garages closed, and locked if possible.

School's out

A 55-year-old Chesterfield Township woman drove into the teachers' parking lot of a high school on Vernier on Wednesday, April 23 in a car missing a rear tire.

Suspecting she was intoxicated, school personnel called police. After she produced an open bottle of whiskey from her purse and failed a field sobriety test, she was arrested.

Stolen

A Prada purse containing credit cards, passports and a signed personal check was taken from the desk of business on Mack around 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 23.

—Kathy Ryan Those with information on At 4:19 p.m. Saturday, April these or any crimes should call 26, a fire run to a house on the Grosse Pointe Woods po-Hawthorne turned out to be a lice department at (313) 343-

City of Grosse Hointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON PROPOSED 2008 CITY PROPERTY TAXES AND 2008-2009 BUDGET**

The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230, 313-885-5800, will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008 in the Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, on the proposed 2008 City tax levy and on the proposed 2008-2009 City budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection during regular business hours in the office of the City Clerk beginning May 9, 2008.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the public hearing

on the proposed millage rate and the proposed City budget.

G.P.N.: 05/01/08

Julie E. Arthurs, City Clerk

City of Grosse Hointe Hark, Michigan NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON PROPOSED 2008 CITY PROPERTY** TAXES AND 2008/09 BUDGET

The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008, in the Council Chambers located at 15115 E. Jefferson on the proposed 2008 City tax levy and on the proposed 2008/09 City budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection during regular business hours in the office of the City Clerk beginning May 2, 2008.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget along with a review of water and sewer utility fees will be a subject of this meeting.

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the public hearing on the proposed millage rate and the proposed city budget. Jane M. Blahut,

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The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008 in the City Hall at 90 Kerby Road, on the proposed 2008-2009 City Budget. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the Public Hearing. The proposed Budget is on file in the Office of the Clerk for public inspection during regular office hours, 8:30, a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The following is a summary of the proposed Budget:

GENERAL FUND ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS

Municipal Court General Government Public Safety Public Service Public Works Parks & Recreation Other Functions Contingency

Transfer - Other Funds Total

\$12,973,890 MEANS OF FINANCING

Licenses & Permits State-Shared Revenue Charges for Service

Fines/Forfeitures Interest Income

\$9,768,400 273,700 814,500 1,315,890 340,500 300,000 Other Revenue 160,900

Total

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Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the Public Hearing on the proposed City Budget.

Published: GPN 05.01.2008

MATTHEW TEPPER ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER/CITY CLERK **COMIX CORNER**

Julie E. Arthurs,

City Clerk

Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Grosse Pointe Farms says gimmie shelter

By Brad Lindberg Staff Writer

Memorial Day seems like an inclement time to target the opening of a warming shelter. That's why the facility being built at Pier Park doubles as a cooling center during summer.

A long winter's work is nearly finished on the roughly \$1 million shelter and related recreation facilities located near Grosse Pointe Farms' lakeside park's upstream breakwall.

More than a shelter but not an activities center, the building was designed to accommodate ice skaters looking for respite from the cold and tennis players seeking refuge from sun.

"It will have a fireplace, kitchenette and flat screen television," said Matthew Tepper, assistant city manager. A grand opening on Memorial Day weekend is "highly contingent on the weather," he added.

Related construction includes platform tennis courts, three tennis courts and an ice skating rink that will double as a basketball court during summer. The building and platform courts are nearly finished. The said Shane Reeside, city man- Foundation. ice skating rink should be ready by winter.

"We're still looking for a sponsor for the ice rink with naming rights opportunities,"



Construction has progressed to the plaster and painting stages at the year-round warming/cooling shelter at Pier Park.

Plans approved by the city council last summer included Grosse Pointe

"The foundation donated more than \$550,000 for the project," Tepper said. "That substantial funding from the subsidizes over half the cost." Farms The shelter was designed in the

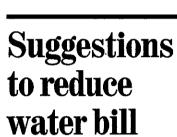
matching the park's two-yearold activities center, also a foundation project.

Dick Huhn, park director, said the improvements will

New England cottage style make the park more of a year- Tennis players will have a place round facility.

"There are benefits all the way around," he said. "The ice skating rink will give options for open skating, not hockey.

to get out of the sun while waiting for matches. Bathrooms inside the shelter will add convenience. It will be a nice little addition to the park."



Spending a lot of green to keep the grass and garden green isn't necessary any-

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Here are some drip basics to help save water.

◆ Start by estimating the water needs of plants. Knowledgeable and helpful staff at a local garden center can help determine just how much water plants need to be healthy.

Different plants will have different requirements depending on their variety and growing conditions, such as sun exposure and soil type. A check with local university horticulture departments or resource books at the library can help too.

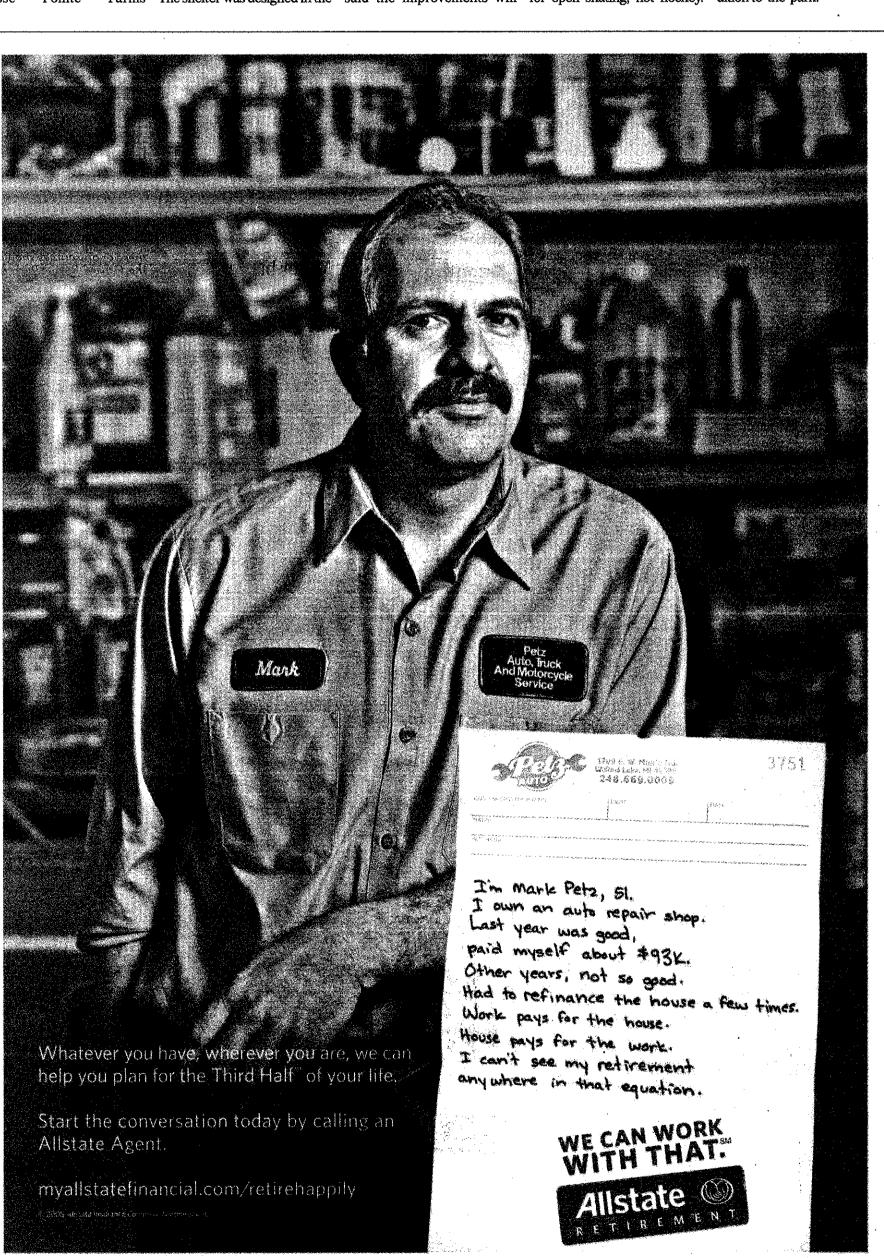
♦ Choose the right drip products to deliver the required water efficiently. A well-designed drip system can deliver water faster or slower depending on the individual needs of each plant by using different types of emission de-

♦ For optimum performance, keep water pressure under control with a pressure regulator.

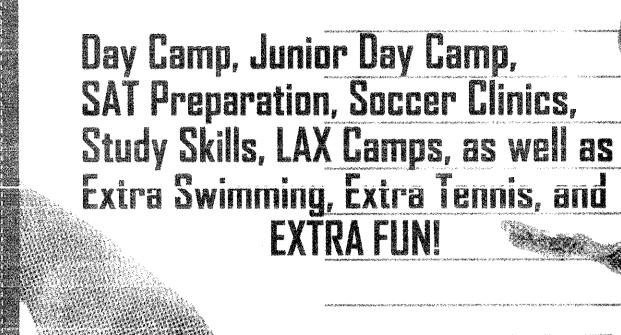
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◆ Include a filter in any water system to prevent clogging. Drip irrigation uses smaller diameter openings than traditional sprinklers, so tiny bits of dirt and debris may clog the system if a filter isn't used. Filters are relatively inexpensive and new designs are even self-cleaning for worry-free operation.

◆ A well-designed drip irrigation system will lose practically no water to runoff, deep percolation or evaporation.



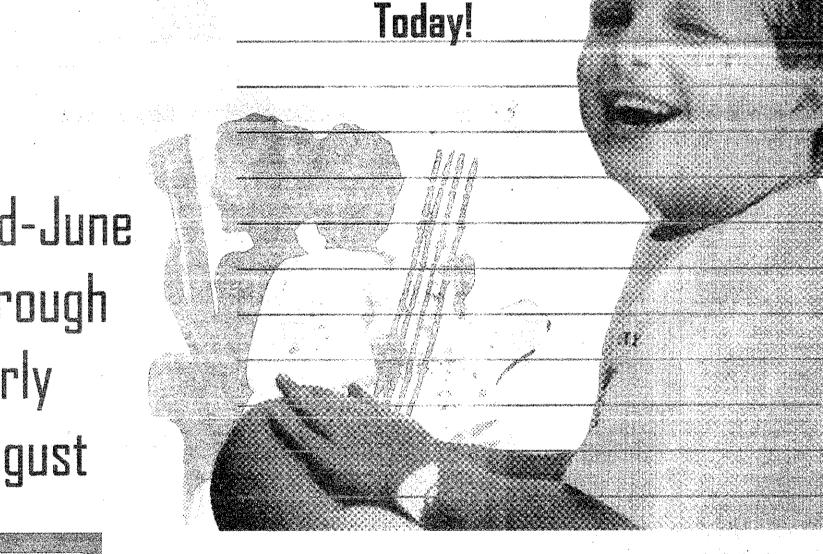
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Interior and landscape designers worked magic on the Junior League of Detroit's 2008 Designer's Show House. See how an ordinary family house was transformed into something jaw-dropping beautiful.

Glamour with practicality

By Beth Quinn Staff Writer

The Junior League of Detroit's 2008 Designer's Show House might not be its biggest or fanciest, but it just might be its most believable.

Many this year's designers said they wanted to demonstrate how home decor could be updated with relatively little expense.

Twenty interior decorators worked their magic on the 6,300-square-foot Georgian colonial at 15637 Windmill Pointe in Grosse Pointe Park. The show house will be open to the public from Saturday, May 3 through Sunday, May 18.

While all the decorated rooms are picture perfect, none are so over the top that they appear to be designed for a Broadway set rather than a

"This show house is probably the most elegant, livable, likable house I have ever seen," said co-chair Anne Baxter, a veteran of many JLD showhouses. "This batch of show house designers gives a lot of great, practical decorating ideas. They show how to take a plain, boxy room and make it special."

Designer Dan Clancy of Perlmutter-Freiwald, updated and unified the 30-foot-long living room by decorating it in soft blues and cream.

He replaced the room's heavy valances and draperies with floor to ceiling panel drapes to open up the windows and let in light. A round ottoman upholstered in a faux animal skin fabric adds a bit of

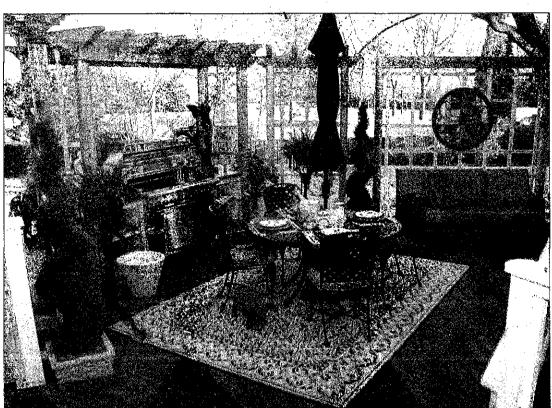
"I always like to add a little touch of leopard," Clancy said. "It's fun and unexpected."

In the dining room, Brian Ashbury of Elegance by Design used unconventional features to create a glamorous but versatile space.

Rather than place a conventional piece of furniture such as a sideboard in the room, Ashbury added an armless set-

"I wanted to show what you can do with space if you add a settee," he said. "We chose one that is dining seat height so it can be moved up to the table for a chance of pace, or you can bring in little stacked tables for the kids to eat while the adults are at the table."

He also anchored the room with a huge floor to ceiling mirror leaning against one wall.



The show house's landscape designers faced the challenge of making an open and exposed triangular lot more private and welcoming. The back yard deck was made into an outdoor living room with the help of a trellis and an outdoor rug.

ger," Ashbury said.

showed that the old panel li- house as it does not have a stuffed benches.

"A big mirror creates drama brary is not your father's den great room. and makes the space look big- anymore. She made it more like a game or family room, Designer Joan Whitman which is important to this a game table flanked by over-

Rather than putting a desk by the bow window; she placed

"I love to redefine rooms in old house," she said.

The house's owner renovated the large gourmet kitchen a year ago. Designer James Evans Williams transformed three small rooms into a kitchen suite. He said he used paint to unify the spaces.

According to Baxter, the bedrooms on the second floor were just four rectangular box-

These blank slates gave designers an opportunity to demonstrate how they can add architectural interest to a room. A few used Venetian plaster to give the walls more detail. They all incorporated creative window treatments to camouflage low double hung windows.

Kristin Karimpour of Maison Furniture installed crown molding to add height to the master bedroom. She also applied raised plaster to give the room's plain doors more inter-

The children's room is purposely decorated as a nautical fantasyland from the hand painted beach wall mural to the faux seaweed and coral nestled in the attached bathroom sink.

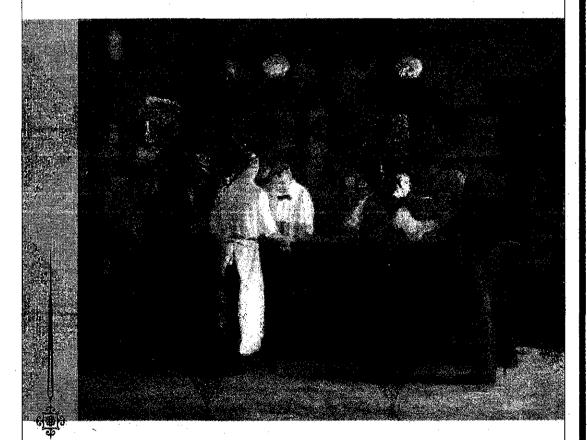
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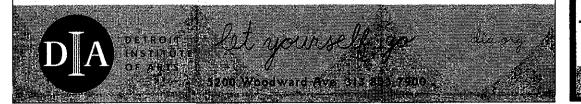
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Allie and Barbara Fortune of **Grosse Pointe Shores**





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TO ENTER: Send one photo of Mother-Daughter look-a-like, include names, address, telephone number & \$10 entry fee. Address below (mail or e-mail as jpg). All photos and names will be published. No photos accepted after 5 p.m. Mon., May 5.

TO VOTE: Use the Official ballot below, \$1 each or a donation. Winning couples will be based on number of votes. No votes accepted after 5 p.m. Mon., May 12.

*Ballots must be original from the GPN, no reproductions or copies allowed. Vote as many times as you wish. roceeds no to the Relay for Life. *Winners announced at Relay for Life, Sunday, May 18, 2008 (need not be present to win).

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Grosse Pointe News-Mother-Daughter Contest 96 Kercheval Ave., GPF, MI 48236 Email:barbarav@grossepointenews.com

REAACTIVITIES

Lakeshore Optimist

Bloomfield Hills attorney Norman Yatooma, who represents the Tamara Green family in a lawsuit against the City of Detroit and Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, will be the keynote speaker at the 26th annual Respect for Law Program from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, at the Lochmoor Club, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The event is sponsored by the Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe.

Recognizing "Law Week," celebrated the first week of May, the Optimists honor local public safety departments and present commendations to officers and citizens, whose actions exemplify respect for law.

Police chiefs from the five Grosse Pointe communities as well as Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores and the Eastern District of Detroit plus legal and municipal officials will be in attendance.

This year's honorees include officers Thomas Lazarski, Michael Miller and John Kretzschmar of Grosse Pointe Park; Officers Jack Latour, Christopher Periatt, Thomas Saville, Cherie Mascarello and Jason Allen of St. Clair Shores; citizens Andrew Chronowski and Malcolm McKendrick of Eastpointe and Salvatore Monteleone of Clinton Township.

"The Optimists believe that it's important to recognize the excellent job performed by our local law enforcement agencies," said Optimist Club President Dave Fries of the City of Grosse Pointe. "Our eastside communities benefit substantially from their efforts and we proudly show our thanks."

For reservations, call Nancy Grosse at (313) 885-0108 by Saturday, May 3, for a complimentary seat.

Senior Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club meets at 11:15 a.m., Tuesday, May 13, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial for lunch.

"Protecting Your Identity" topic. She is a certified identity theft risk management special-

The cost is \$6. For more information, call John Prost at (586) 774-6400.

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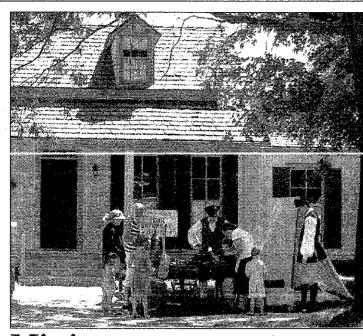
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Mini-encampment

Paul Ignagni will be among the re-enactors who will share traditions, legends and ways of life for Michigan Native Americans and early Grosse Pointer at a mini-encampment sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 10. Dressed in period attire, the re-enactors will set up camp at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms and portray the numerous people who would've lived in this area in the 18th and 19th century including: Native Americans, British military personnel and settlers from France and Great Britain. The event is part of the historical society's Second Saturday Pastimes that take place during open tours of the house. Reservations are encouraged, but not required. Children are welcome with an adult. For more information, call (313) 884-7010 or visit gphistorical.org.

9 p.m. Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20 and June 3.

Register by Monday, May 5, and the tuition is \$80 or \$150 for two registering together. After May 5, the cost is \$85.

A "Child & Parent Improv & Acting Workshop" will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 31. The cost is \$19 and \$8 for each additional child. The class is 45 minutes long.

To register for either class, call (313) 881-7511.

Widowed Friends

Widowed Friends, a peer support group of the Archdiocese of Detroit, hosts a tour and lunch at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe May 8. A guide will lead guests will be speaker Jill Feeney's through 20 rooms and garis separate.

> For reservations, call Ginny at (586) 778-4677 or Gloria at (586) 771-2886.

Reunion

The Grosse Pointe South

for adults will be held from 7 to year reunion on Saturday, July 26. For more information, visit the Web site gpsouthclassof78.com.`

Farms Boat Club

Thee Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club will hold a general membership meeting at 7 p.m., Friday, May 9, in the Grosse Pointe Farms Clubhouse at Pier Park.

Friends of Vision

Friends of Vision, a support group for the visually im paired and blind, meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 7, at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, 15415 E. Shores, at noon, Thursday, Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call dens. The tour costs \$6. Lunch Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824-4710, ext. 225.

Herb sale

The 2008 Herb Plant sale will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 9, and from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10, at Class of 1978 will have its 30 the Grosse Pointe Woods



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The houses five bathrooms still have their original 1940s era tile and fixtures. The designers assigned to updated them without a major expense as shown with the second floor children's bathroom.



Norman Yatooma

Municipal Building, 20025 Mack. More than 40 varieties of herbs will be offered for sale by the Grosse Pointe Unit of the Herb Society of America.

For more information, call Kathleen Peabody at (313) 886-2797.



Golfers

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Golf League kicked off its season with an April 14 breakfast and round of golf at Golden Hawk Golf Club. Heading to the links were the golf league's board members, from left, Peter Kernan, Jerry Ewart, Nick Kondak and Ron Rudolph.

1695 East Big Beaver, Troy.

and Wayne State University Conover was the chef at the host Chef Richard Conover at Grosse Pointe Club for more 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 5, at than 10 years. Reservations the Ristorante TRE MONTI, may be made by calling (248) 680-1100.

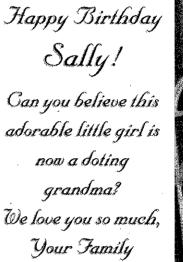
Musicale

The Tuesday Musicale of Detroit presents Duo di Bellezza, soprano Katherine Larson and mezzo soprano Pieyi Wang, at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 4, at the Birmingham Unitarian church, 38651 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Tickets are \$25 and student tickets are \$15. Proceeds are used for scholarships.

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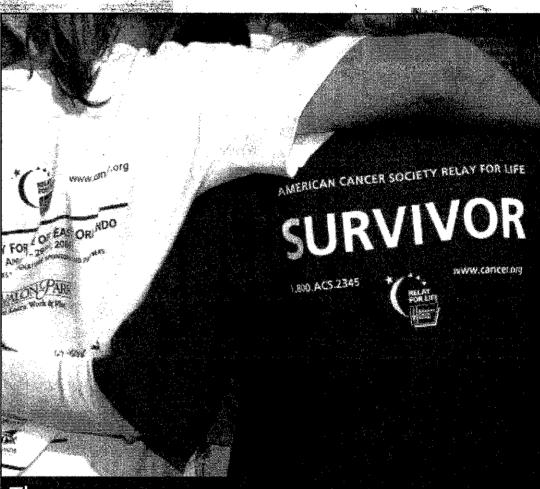


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To form a team, register for the Survivor Victory Celebration or for more information, contact Dorothy Busignani at 248.663.3418 or via email at dorothy.busignani@cancer.org.

Grosse Pointe News

CHURCHES

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Open house

Peter the Apostle Montessori, 19801 Vernier. Harper Woods, holds an open house from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 14.

St. Peter Montessori serves children ages 2 1/2 through kindergarten and is accredited by the Michigan Montessori Society. This is a tradition Montessori program within a Christian environment. It offers enrichment programs such as Spanish, music and cultural studies with a trained Detroit Institute of Arts volun-

For more information, call (313) 885-8062.

Creation vs. Evolution

Point of Relevance presents "Creation vs. Evolution" at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 10, at Parcells Middle school, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Scientific creationist Grady McMurtry from Creation Worldview Ministries, based in Orlando, Fla. will provide an in depth overview of the latest arguments both for and against evolution and creation.

McMurtry was an evolutionist for 20 years prior to becoming a Biblical Scientific Creationist for the past 34

Point of Relevance is a grass roots organization based in Grosse Pointe.

The seminar is free and open to the public. For more information, call (313) 670-8405.

Book discussion

The discussion of Lee Strobel's book, "The Case for the Real Jesus," from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 6, at Grace United Church of Christ, 1175 Lakepointe at Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park.

The discussion will continue on May 13, 20, 27 and June .3 A continental breakfast will be provided at no cost.

Fashion show

The Valparaiso University Guild's Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show will be at noon Friday, May 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The fashions featured will be provided by Coldwater Creek and modeled by guild members Kyle Clor of Grosse Pointe Shores, Dorothy Craig and Tillie Haelewyn of Grosse Woods, Pointe Patty Groezinger of Grosse Pointe Park, Corky Marowske of Grosse Pointe Farms, Jan McCuen of Detroit, Cathy Schwanitz of Rochester Hills and Shirley Wiederhold of St. Clair Shores.

The event will also include a "previously owned" jewelry sale, 50/50 raffle, door and table prizes.

The cost is \$28 and proceeds will be sent to the National Guild in Valparaiso, Ind.

Corliss Marowske of Grosse Pointe Farms heads the planning committee and she is assisted by Clor, Groezinger, 1 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Haelewyn, Craig, Shirley church, 211 Moross, Grosse Bedard of Grosse Pointe Pointe Farms

Woods, Gail Burkholder of Grosse Pointe Farms, Betty Kackley of Grosse Pointe, Schwanitz, Jan McCuen and Carol Holm of Detroit.

For more information and reservations, call Clor at (313) 881-9703.

Concert

The Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra perform Bach's "St. John Passion" at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 4, in the Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort, Detroit. Tickets are \$18. For more information, call (313) 961-4533.

German Mai Fest

A German Mai Fest will be held on Sunday May 4, at Historic St. Joseph Cathollic Church, 1828 Jay, Detroit. A Mass with bagpipe music, begins at 10:30 a.m. A second Mass will be held at noon.

Food will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$25 for adults, \$10 for children. Proceeds will benefit St.

Joseph Repari and Restoration. For more information, call (313) 831-6659.

Rummage sale

The women of the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church hold their Spring Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to

The sale includes adult and children's clothing, jewelry, linens, housewares, boutique items, books, small electrical appliances and sports equipment.

For more information, call (313) 886-2363.

Fun-filled afternoon

The Women of the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church host an afternoon of events, beginning with at 11:30 church's Rauth Hall, 19950 Mack. A noon lunch will be followed by a fashion show featuring church models wearing items from the rummage sale and a skit entitled



a.m. Saturday, May 10, in the Preparing for the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church's Saturday, May 3, rummage sale are Carol Ann Maleitzke and Liz Woods. They are holding a fabric panel, which can be found in the linen section of the sale.

> "Grandma Interrupted." Tickets are \$10 and may be

purchased by calling (313) 886-4301.

SHOW HOUSE: Updating with little expense

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different neighboring properties," said designer Staci Meyer. "The trellis makes your eyes stop and gives you a sense of privacy."

The JLD expanded its always popular food service by allowing the community to dine at the Garden Café without paying for admittance to the show house. The bistro will have a separate entrance located at the back driveway on Avondale Road.

"This way neighbors can just walk in," Baxter said. "I can just see some of the neighborhood kids riding their bikes here to grab a hot dog or for a

three Sundays the show house is open. Just Delicious will cater May 4; The Chocolate Gallery Café May 11; and Mack Daddy's Restaurant May

The attached three-car garage will house the Greenery offering plants and garden art, benches and urns.

The basement's paneled game room will feature a boutique with one-of-a-kind art pieces, upscale jewelry, home décor and textiles from more than 55 vendors.

The show house is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday through Friday, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday evenings, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays.

Tickets, available at local retailers, are \$15 per person if purchased on or before May 2, or \$20 at the door.

Proceeds benefit the league's new family literacy project that

Brunch will be served on the focuses on improving and supporting the reading ability of early elementary school children and to fund grants for community nonprofit organizations.

In keeping with the JLD's commitment to elementary school children, fourth grade students from Detroit's Hanstein Elementary School will sing at the ribbon cutting ceremony at 9:45 a.m. Saturday, May 3. They will perform an opera that they have written titled "The Ringer of the Moon."

An opening night preview party which includes a tour of the home and gardens, hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, valet parking, entertainment by jazz singer Matt Walch and a silent auction is planned. Tickets are \$60 per person and available at the league's office through April 30. For tickets and additional information, call (313) 881-0400 or visit ildetroit.org.

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Sunday School - 9:30 am for Age 2 - Adult

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All are warmly welcome at both services Free Childcare provided Questions? 884-2426



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Grosse Pointe Park 822-3823

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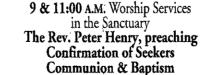


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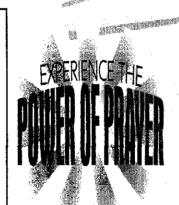
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GROSSE POINTE "Young Children and Worship" MEMORIAL CHURCH Program for Preschool through Established 1865 2nd grade at 9 a.m. Service The Presbyterian Church (USA)

A STEPHEN MINISTRY and 10:10 a.m. Sunday School LOGOS Congregation 8:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M. - Crib & Toddler Care 16 Lakeshore Drive

Saturday, May 10 - Husbands, Wives & Friends Breakfast at 9 am The Honorable Maura Corrigan Call for Reservations



Grosse Pointe Congregational Church

10:00 a.m. FAMILY WORSHIP (crib room available) 10:15 a.m. Church School AFFILIATED WITH THE UCC AND ABC 240 CHALFONTE AT LOTHROP Rev. Dr. M. Jacob Kaufman, Pastor www.gpcong.org gpcong@sbcglobal.net 884-3075

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Balancing elder care with work and family



uggling family responsibilities, your job and caring for an older relative can be stressful.

However, you can also reap rewards from the caregiving experience. For some, it can provide an opportunity to heal relationships and "give back" to an older person, who may have given much to you earlier in life.

Others may find themselves being drawn into supportive or caregiving situations that involved a painful history.

If you find yourself involved in elder care, take heart. You are not alone. Today, family caregiving is an increasingly common situation. In fact, one in four households include a family caregiver — and most caregivers also work outside the home.

Employers are feeling the impact of the increasing number of employees dealing with elder care. Yet only about onethird of large employers offer elder care support for employees. By comparison, about 70 percent provide childcare sup-

A recent national study by Met Life estimates the annual business productivity losses related to elder care at \$33 billion per year. The study also found:

- ◆ There are at least 7 million caregivers who are employed full time: 4.2 million are women and 2.8 million are
- ◆ Replacement costs for employees who leave the workplace = \$2.8 billion.
- Absenteeism costs = \$3.4billion.

◆ Partial absenteeism (defined as coming in late and leaving early due to elder care responsibilities) = \$824 mil-

- ◆ Workday interruptions (estimated at one hour per week per employed caregiver for 50 weeks) = \$2.8 hillion
- ◆ Supervision costs (hours spent by a supervisor dealing with employees' elder care issues) = \$780 million.

Caregiving is a job.

The successful of the job performance of caregiving requires the right attitude, the right skills and the right information for your situation. It is important to find a balance between caring for your loved one and maintaining your other responsibilities. These responsibilities may include a full or part-time job or other personal and family responsibilities.

Whether you have been thrust into the role of caregiver due to a crisis in the elder's life or you have been involved in caring for an older person for some time, you need good information to make good decisions — at work or at home.

Assess your situation If you don't ask the right questions, you don't get the right answers.

You need to assess the elder care situation. This includes your view of the situation, the elder's point of view, and basic information about their care needs and the views of family members.

Assess the impact the situation is having on your work or personal life, the amount of time you can spend away from your family and the flexibility of your work schedule. Here are some questions you can ask yourself to see what impact your situation is having on your work:

♦ Have I had to arrive late or

leave early to handle caregiving issues?

- ♦ Have I had to make phone calls related to elder care while ൂat work?
- ◆ Have I become tired or emotionally upset, resulting in
- feeling distracted at work? ◆ Have I had to take off days
- of work to deal with issues? ◆ Am I wondering if I can continue to work my normally
- scheduled hours? If you answer yes to any of these questions, then elder care is having a significant impact on your work and personal life.

Learn about resources

Take the time to learn about the support available. First, check with your employer to see if they offer any support to you. Some employers offer flexible work policies, Family and Medical Leave Act, **Employee Assistance** Programs and Resource and Referral Services. The following are some key connections

through the elder care system: ◆ Elder Care Locator (eldercare.gov)

that can help you navigate

- ◆ Disease specific health organizations such as the Alzheimer's Association
- ◆ Home modifications (homemods.org)
- Senior housing options visit the local area agency on aging.

Weigh your options

Create a list of possible solutions and narrow the list to a workable plan for you and your family.

If your elder care situation is not strongly affecting your job performance now, use this time as an opportunity to plan ahead for future needs.

List the areas where your loved one needs help, such as helping them get up and get

moving in the morning.

If helping them in the morning creates conflicts, think about your options. Perhaps you could start work a little later by taking a shorter lunch. See if another family member could take on the morning rou-

tine part of the time Hire help to come in for that morning period. Review each of the elder care activities that need to be performed and define a solution for each one. Remember, it is OK to ask for help.

Implement your plan

You and your family can create what seems like the perfect solution to the problems facing the older person — even gaining the elder's tentative approval for needed changes.

When it comes time to make a change, convince the elder to accept the new arrangement on a trial basis or by finding a trusted advisor or peer to help persuade them.

Monitor the situation

Once the plan is in place,

watch for any significant changes in the older person's health or ability to function. Changes can take place gradually or a crisis can arise

overnight.

Look for changes in their sleeping or eating habits, increases in forgetfulness, decreased ability to perform simple tasks, changes in personal hygiene and increased episodes of falling. These are all indications they need more care, either from an available family member or a hired care-

Learn to adjust to the conditions, but make a point of making changes that are most favorable to you.

Help comes in many forms from Adult Day Care Services to Home Care. You can get help on a small scale such as respite care to 24/7 care for those who do not have family members to help.

Caring for an older person opens up opportunities to learn more about yourself, your levels of patience, stamina, compassion and ability to listen well. Elder care also offers an opportunity to reconnect with an elder or to establish a new,

positive rapport. The potential positive benefits of elder care can include feelings of love and self-satis-

What is important is the attitude you bring to the experi-

Whether your help is accepted or rejected, look back on this phase of life with the sense of peace that comes from knowing you have done the best you could.

Your ability to balance responsibilities at work and within your family will affect the quality of your elder caring experience.

Terri Murphy of Grosse Pointe is a professional caregiver and the owner of Home Helpers. She can be reached by telephone at (313) 881-4600 or send e-mails to tmurphy572@comcast.net. Home Helpers Web site is homehelpers.cc

Join walk to battle celiac disease

Registration is under way the University of Maryland for the Sunday, May 18, Making Tracks for Celiacs run at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

The entry fee is \$15 before Wednesday, May 7 and \$5 for children 10 and under.

Same day registration is

Registration and check-in begins at 8 a.m. with the 5K run starting at 9 a.m. and the walk at 9:30 a.m.

The fourth annual silent auction will also be held that Center for Celiac Research at

and be used to increase awareness of Celiac Disease.

Medals will be given in the top three places in the following age groups, 14 and under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-35, 36-45, 46-55, 56-65, 66-75 and 76-90. A trophy to overall male and female winners and to an overall masters male and female will be awarded.

Celiac disease strikes one out of every 133 Americans. It is an immune-mediated disorder that directly effects the gastrointestinal tract when day. Proceeds will benefit the gluten (wheat, rye and barley) are ingested.

Left untreated, it can lead to malabsorption, vitamin deficiencies, osteoporosis, infertility, dental enamel defects and cancer.

In the United States, it takes an average of 11 years to be properly diagnosed.

The disease is thought to be rare and many doctors don't consider testing patients for

To register, make checks payable to TCCSG and mail to Suzanne Gentilia, 1685 Commerce Pines Circle, Walled Lake, MI 48390.

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HEALTH

ASK THE EXPERTS By Mary Beth Garvey

Striking the right balance for child's activities



This is the first of a two part

I feel like there is a lot of o. pressure to have my children involved in multiple activities. While I would like them to participate in what interests them, I do worry about over-scheduling.

As parents, how can we help our children strike the right balance?

As our culture becomes A. more preoccupied with success, hyper achievement is becoming a norm in family values. There is pressure for the "good" parent to provide their children with a wide range of competitive opportunities and to become intensely involved in managing a demanding

schedule. The idea is that by exposing children to these early competitive experiences, you are preparing them for academic, athletic and extracurricular

These demands on children, which often begin at an early

age, are usually motivated by the desire to give them a competitive edge or to build self esteem. In an effort by well-intended parents to help children excel, they are racing to meet the multiple demands of traveling sports teams, music lessons, academic tutoring and

school enrichment programs. The thinking seems to be

that self-esteem is driven by a long list of accomplishments and the ability to compete. Given our current culture, it is understandable that parents feel this way, but it is also misguided.

These frantic schedules

come at a cost. Perhaps one of the greatest is the disintegration of family time. Nothing shapes a child's life more than the family experience. Parents teach their children what to love and value, expectations regarding their behavior and how they are perceived and experienced by others. Families need to protect themselves from excessive interruptions and demands to teach these lessons. If the family connection is undermined by over scheduling, it is the cultural influence, rather than the family influence, that begins to define our children. In an increasingly

complex world, most children need more time with an engaged adult than for an additional activity.

The cultural message is "the more activities, the better." Yet, children, who are shuttled from one activity to the next, often have only a superficial immersion in an activity. Multiple activities can lead to boredom and lack of passion.

Passion is critical to the competence building that parents seek for several reasons:

◆ It is internally motivated, which gives children greater persistence.

◆ It encourages a love of

learning.

◆ It increases frustration tolerance through the struggle to attain mastery.

◆ Praise or success is less of a motivator than simply doing the activity.

Crowding out passion by trying to provide unlimited opportunities denies children the chance to develop a stronger sense of identity and self-assurance or a deeper interest in what matters to them.

E-mail questions to info@familycenterweb.org. To volunteer or contribute, visit familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.

Arthritis Walk returns to Grosse Pointe on Saturday, May 3

The Arthritis Foundation is through Grosse Pointe neightributor to arthritis research years old, she developed system activity. celebrating its 60th anniversary this year by hosting a Grosse Pointe South High and face painting.

borhoods. The event also features family entertainment inwalk in the Grosse Pointes on cluding clowns and magicians, Saturday, May 3, starting at a massage therapist, music

Founded in Michigan in The Arthritis Walk is a non- 1948 by a group of University competitive, team walking of Michigan physicians, the event that offers a choice of a Arthritis Foundation is the one- or three-mile route largest private, nonprofit con-

worldwide. It has funded more than \$380 million in research grants since 1948. The foundation helps people take control of arthritis by providing public health education; pursuing public policy and legislation; and conducts evidence-based programs to improve the quality of life for those living with

Participating in the May 3 event will be Lilly Morgan, the four-year-old daughter of Kristin and Brad Morgan of Grosse Pointe, who knows first-hand the pain of arthritis.

swelling in her wrist and complained when she walked. Her parents also noticed she appeared to be stiff in the morning and needed to be carried down stairs because it hurt to

They took her to the pediatrician and over the course of several months she was hospitalized, saw several physicians, endured many tests and was finally diagnosed Pauciarticular Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. This auto-immune disease causes the joint lining to become inflamed When Lily was about two as part of the body's immune

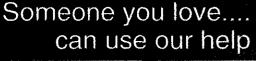
After several tries, doctors found the right medication for Lilly and were able to control her arthritis. Last October, she was taken off all medication and appears to be in remission.

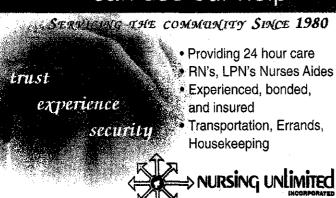
Although she is healthy today, her parents know their daughter is among the fortunate ones and they continue to support the Arthritis Foundation's efforts to raise

money for arthritis research, programs, and services.

The money raised at the Arthritis Walk will fund arthritis research, Quality of Life Programs, patient and professional education forums and a residential camp for children with juvenile arthritis.

For more information, contact the Arthritis Foundation at 800-968-3030, or arthritis.org.





Etiquette tea party for youngsters

children proper etiquette.

With that in mind, the Detroit Historical Society Guild is hosting an etiquette tea party for boys and girls

It's never too soon to teach ages 7 to 14 and adults from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18 at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward.

> The party takes place in the new Cadillac Café. Desserts, tea and lemonade will be served, followed by an interactive etiquette lesson.

The cost, which includes an etiquette booklet to take home, is \$12 per person.

For information and reservations, call (586) 777-5898 by Friday, May 9.

Tickets will not be sold the

day of the event due to limited seating. The museum is open from

9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Adult admission is \$6 and \$4 for seniors (60+), college students with valid college ID and youth ages 5-18. Admission for children ages four and under is free.

Park man awarded

Anthony Armada, president and CEO of Henry Ford Hospital & Health Network, was named one of the 2008 Top 25 Minority Executives in Modern Healthcare by Healthcare magazine.

Armada was cited for his willingness to mentor other minority health care executives, share his knowledge with others and to help increase the number of minorities within the health care field.

"In all my years in health care, I can think of few that deserve this more than Tony," said Nancy Schlichting, president and CEO of Henry Ford Health System. "It is not only for his constant devotion to excellence in the field of health care but his relentless commitment to minority populations."

Last year Armada, an Asian American, was appointed chairman of the Asian Health Care Leaders Association, a newly formed organization, whose goal is to increase the presence of Pan-Asian executives in the health care field.

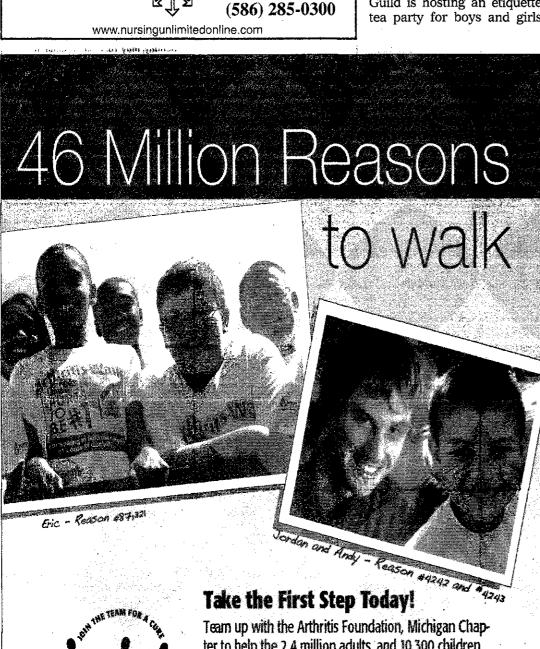
He also was appointed a Executive Study Society.

Grosse Pointe Park resident board member to the Institute for Diversity in Health Management that helps expand health care leadership opportunities for ethnically, culturally and racially diverse individuals and to increase the number of these individuals entering and advancing in the

Armada joined Henry Ford in 2004. In his role, he oversees Henry Ford Hospital, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, Behavioral Health Services and 30 health care centers throughout metro Detroit. Before joining Henry Ford, Armada was senior vice president and area manager at Kaiser Permanente in southern California.

He received his bachelor's degree in medical technology Michigan from University and his dual master's degree in hospital administration and business administration from Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio.

He is a fellow of the American College Healthcare Executives and a member of the Healthcare





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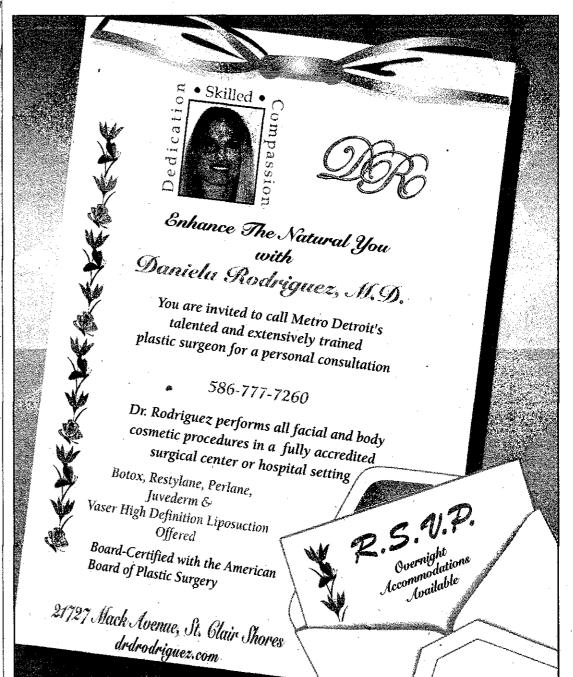






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Grosse Pointe News



Literary festival to expand poetic dialogue

Carrie Cunningham Special Writer

Poetry is a type of art that illuminates, heals and binds. On Friday, May 2 through Sunday, May 4, Grosse Pointers can immerse themselves in the creative writing form.

Marick Press, a local poetry and fiction publisher, is hosting a Mini-Literary Festival in early May that will both showcase new Marick Press authors and provide educational instruction in poetry to novices and more experienced

Begun by Grosse Pointe Park resident Mariela Griffor, Marick Press seeks to publish both Midwestern writers and those from across the country. The event has been fueled by Griffor's desire to reflect on her oppression in Chile under the dictatorship of Gen. poems about Chile when she came to Grosse Pointe, yet

York. As she settled into the Pointe Park on Sunday. literary community in Grosse Pointe and Detroit, Griffor found other local writers had the same issues. Hence, Griffor started the press.

New Marick Press writers and titles include Susan Kelly-DeWitt's "The Fortunate Islands," Peter Conners's "Emily Ate the Wind," Sean Thomas Dougherty's "The Blue City," Derick Burleson's "Never Night," and Jim Schley's "As When in Season."

The writers have won scores of honors and awards including Burleson being a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. They will be joined in the festival workshops by other writers such as Marick Press poetry editor Ilya Kaminsky, Katie Ford and G. C. Waldrep.

Writers will read from their new works on Friday night at the Grosse Pointe Artists Augusto Pinochet. She wrote Association, teach workshops on Saturday, at the association, and host a launch party found it hard to interest the for their new titles at the big publishing houses in New. Tompkins Center in Windmill

Griffor and the writers have a mutual affection for each other. Griffor says the group of authors are "the most dedicated people I have ever met" yet "they're the most modest."

Kelly-Dewitt in turn said she instantly liked Griffor for her sense of honesty.

All of the writers anticipate a weekend of artistic exchange

"It will be great to be among so many Marick authors and aspiring poets - I love the camaraderie (and) the fellowship," Kelly-DeWitt said.

Poets teaching the workshops are eager to disseminate their poetic knowledge just as their poetic mentors guided

The poetic dialogue is symbiotic with teachers and students collaborating with each other. The poets will advise Pointers on practical matters such as how to be published in addition to demystifying the basics of poetry.



PHOTO BY CARRIE CUNNINGHAM

Mariela Griffor, the founder of Marick Press, will host a Mini-Literary Festival from May 2-May 4 showcasing new authors and providing writing instruction.

from my students as I give out. Everybody sees something else that someone else doesn't," Dougherty said. "You come out with a bit more knowledge of the craft and you always meet nice people."

Some of the themes of the "I usually learn as much workshops include the experi-

Burleson; metaphor in poetry by Dougherty; and the role of emotions in poetry by Ford.

Griffor hopes to lure poets that express hope and love versus those who write about hate and division.

"I think somehow writers and poets are links between different communities and cultures. We are always in search for new ways to connect," she said. "Poetry heals in the sense that when somebody puts words to some emotion or thought it is the human part of us. Many things we can't comprehend until we express them in words."

Schley concurred with Griffor's ideas about the goodness and sense of relatedness in poetry.

"I love that feeling of being transported. It can be very healing because there is a kind of empathy," he said. "I don't know of a better way to get to language. It is like the ocean we swim in. Poetry makes us

ence of growing up by aware of its meaningfulness."

Schley added that poetry can provoke and inspire in a good way.

"The experience of being alive is more apparent to me, thanks to poetry. There's a directness and it affects you on many levels. There are times when I read a poem and all the hair on my arms stands up," he said.

Griffor believes the literary festival will benefit Grosse Pointe by expanding the artistic conversation in the city and enabling new writers to be published.

"Grosse Pointe creates a lot of good material. There are writers everywhere in the area. If we can be in contact with these writers, it would be very helpful to them.'

Griffor's embodiment of inclusion mirrors the best of what poetry can be.

Kelly-DeWitt said. "Poetry is about a human voice in all its variations - it belongs to us all."

DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

Lawn care the healthy way



ith all the "greening" going on last week, it's a good time to make Earth Day more than an annual event.

Particular emphasis locally is the condition of Lake St. Clair. When the "pesticide" signs popped up along the median on Lakeshore, I hoped the food put on the lawn is not dangerous to our beautiful waterway.

Americans use up to 7 billion gallons of water a day on landscape irrigation, a third of all is residential water use. To reauce inis, set ine iawn mower blades to 3 to 4 inches; water before 8 a.m.; cut when the lawn is dry; and leave some clippings on the lawn. Lawns receive 50 percent of its nutrients from these clippings.

Add a top dressing of wellrotted compost and you're set for the season.

An inch of water is needed by your lawn each week. To test how much water is wasted on your lawn, set out a bowl or can to collect the water.

National Geographic's "The Green Guide" says Americans spend more than \$38 billion each year on chemical pesticides, insecticides, herbicides and fungicides for their lawns. Not even considering the danger to children, pets and the lake, consider these products are all made from fossil fuel.

Suggestion: Go organic. If you're a do-it-yourselfer, get a copy of "The Organic Lawn Care Manual" by Paul Tukey. It's quickly become the Bible for growing a healthy lawn. If you want to see a copy before buying, each of the Grosse Pointe libraries has one on their shelves. Visit safelawns.org for further information.

If you choose to "hire out" your lawn care, be sure you know what is being used. Ask for Material Data Safety Sheets for all products the company applies to your grass. Ask the lawn service if it offers an organic alternative. Interview companies and ask to be provided with an outline after inspecting your lawn.

Get a written bid with prices for each application or procedure. Learn how often they intend to apply fertilizer, what kind and how it will be applied. Will there be adjustments according to the weather?

Demand proof of insurance and strongly suggest a soil test be done prior to fertilizer application. Ask for a plan showing the use of integrated pest management strategies with nonchemical options.

Many organic fertilizers release nitrogen more slowly

which reduces the number of cuttings necessary. Remember that grasses in active growth purify the air and cutting forces the release of pollutants. Sweep

grass. If left on the sidewalk, it ends up down the sewer and into the lake.

stray fertilizer back on the

For more information, contact the MSU Extension offices in Wayne or Macomb counties or find a list of lawn companies with natural programs at local-motion.org.

To check whether complaints have been filed against the business, call the Michigan Attorney General Consumer Protection Division at (517) 373-1140 or the Better Business Bureau

Mowers?

In his book, "Go Green, Live Rich," David Bach writes, "Mowers use 800 million gallons of gas each year. We also

What's Going On?

◆ Native Plant Sale hosted by St. Clair Shores Yardeners, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fri., May 2 at the Selinsky-Green Farm Museum, 11 Mile and Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Call (586) 415-7110 for more information.

◆ Herb Plant Sale, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 9 and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 10, Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, rosse Pointe Woods. Sponsored by Herb Society of America, Grosse Pointe Unit, proceeds benefit education and community gardens. Call Cindv Manardo at (313) 881-1288 with questions or to pre-order.

◆ Floral artist Jane Packer is featured at a lecture/demonstration and luncheon at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, at the Detroit Institutes of Arts, 5200 Woodward. The noon luncheon is followed by a book signing. The lecture and lunch is \$50 and \$25 for the lecture only. Register by calling (313) 833-4005.

◆ Elmwood Cemetery History and Tree Identification Tour is from 6 to 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 13. Learn how to identify some of the 80 species of trees from the experts. The cost is \$15. Call (313) 259-6363 to reserve a space. Elmwood Cemetery is located at 1200 Elmwood, north of Lafayette, Detroit.

spill 17 million gallons of gasoline each year while refueling." He compares these numbers to the 1989 Exxon Valdez tanker disaster in Alaska that dumped 11 million gallons of oil into the Master Gardener who lives

Years ago, my husband was wise enough to trade in our gas guzzler for an electric mower. It runs much more quietly and costs only about \$5 a year to operate. Better yet, get exercise and buy a push mower. Kathleen Peabody is a

(and gardens) in Grosse Pointe Woods. Reach her online at kpeqbody@grossepointe news.com



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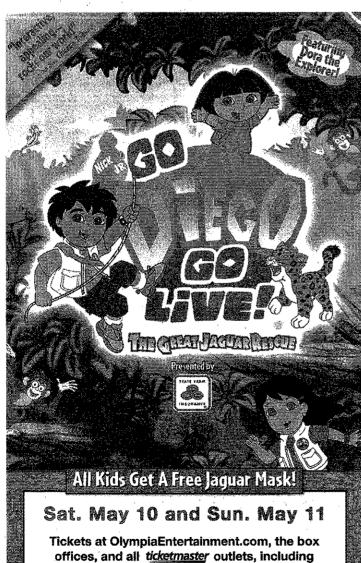
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MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE By Dina Winter

MOT'S production of the 'Swallow' soars

ichigan Opera Theatre's production of "La Rondine" by Giacomo Puccini surprised many, who never guessed this relatively unknown work was a masterpiece of staging, singing, or-

chestration and drama. Pamela Armstrong, in the lead role of Magda, is a superb singer with stunning high tones and a rich and beautiful timbre. She is also an actress of

extraordinary ability. Her portraval of the kept woman longing for true love, who flies from her comfortable nest to find it, is thoroughly convincing and deeply moving.

David Pomeroy, as Ruggiero, the object of her affection, also does a very fine job, as does the entire cast, including the chorus and dancers.

One of the most thrilling musical moments in the opera is the second act quartet, where the two pairs of lovers

(Ruggiero and Magda and Prunier and Lisette) sing of their love. The entire chorus joins them in a sweeping, grand expression of praise to

This is Puccini at his best. Among those deserving special mention are Amanda Squitieri as Lisette, Magda's perky maid; Victor Ryan Robertson as Prunier, the dashing poet; and Kimwana Doner as Yvette, one of the ladies of ill repute we first meet in the home of Rambaldo (Philip Skinner). Rambaldo is the wealthy, cool, not very romantic, but somehow the everfaithful lover of Magda, to whom she will return in the end, as a swallow returns to its

A large part of this performance's success is due to the genius of Lotfi Mansouri, whose beautiful staging is outstanding and to the masterful conducting of Maestro Steven Mercurio. Sung in Italian with English supertitles, the audience can follow the sense of each aria, each ensemble.

David DiChiera has done it again! Since MOT opened in 1972 at the Music Hall, he has raised the quality of this opera company to an excellence, which places it in the top tier of regional opera companies in the country. He deserves fervent thanks for bringing light, beauty to this area and enriching the lives of many.

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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Healthy food for summer shape-up

't's that time of year when we all start thinking how we better get healthy because bikini season is just around the corner.

The fact of the matter is we should think that way all year long. I've got this terrific recipe for egg whites baked with vegetables and just a hint of cheese.

With just a few minutes of fuss, you'll have a warm breakfast to fuel your family as they begin another busy day.

Egg Whites Baked

with Vegetables

2 teaspoons olive oil

1 small onion, chopped

1 cup coarsely chopped

1 cup (packed) spinach

salt and pepper to taste

1 to 2 pinches nutmeg

3 slices wheat bread, torn

1/4 cup grated romano or

Preheat oven to 350 de-

saucepan over medium heat.

Add the onions and garlic and

saute for about five minutes.

I garlic clove, minced (op-

(serves 6)

tional).

broccoli

into little pieces

12 egg whites

1/4 cup milk

Parmesan cheese

grees. Heat the oil in a



Toss in the broccoli and continue to cook for a few more minutes. Add the spinach and cook just until the spinach wilts.

Season the vegetable mixture with salt and pepper. Remove from heat and set aside.

Scatter the torn bread pieces into a greased baking dish (8by-8 or similar size). Spread the vegetable mixture over the bread and sprinkle the nutmeg over the vegetables.

In a small bowl, whisk together the egg whites and milk. Pour the mixture over the vegetables and scatter the cheese over the top. Bake at 350 degrees for about 25 minutes or until the egg whites are set and the top is just beginning to brown. You don't want to overcook the eggs.

Cut the baked egg whites into squares and serve with sliced tomatoes or fresh fruit.

This energy loaded breakfast is the perfect opportunity to sneak a serving of vegetables into your child's morning. And it tastes really, really good.

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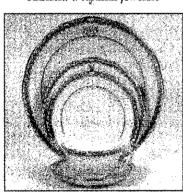
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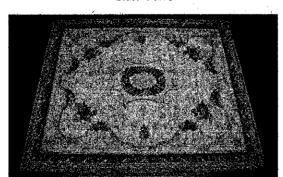
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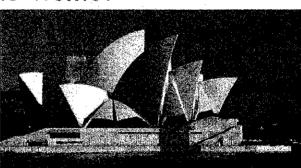
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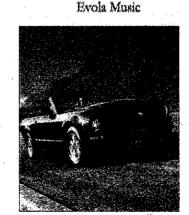
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ULS GIRLS TENNIS

Lady Knights tennis ranked No. 3

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The University Liggett inched up to No. 3 in the higher goals."

Division IV state rankings. Last week, the Lady Knights celebrated the lofty status by beating Clawson 8-0 and Ann Arbor Greenhills 7-1.

"It was nice to see the new No. 3 ranking," said head

coach Cathy Hackenberger. challenge, especially at the No. "Our girls have been working hard and they earned it.

School girls tennis team has yet. We have our sights set on

The host Lady Knights had an easy time beating the depleted Clawson squad. The Lady Trojans were missing two singles players, which gave ULS two quick points.

Greenhills offered a stiffer

1 singles spot where Lady Knights junior Cat Vatsis out-"However, we're not done lasted her foe, winning 6-4, 7-5. "Cat was very energetic dur-

ing the match and she pulled it out," Hackenberger said. "She played well, as did all of our girls. Beating Greenhills is a nice victory for us."

Vatsis trailed 4-3 and 5-4 in the second set before rallying.

Junior Claire Perrachio and sophomore Sophie Mair won in straight sets, winning 6-3, 6-1 at No. 3 singles and 6-1, 6-0 at No. 4 singles, respectively.

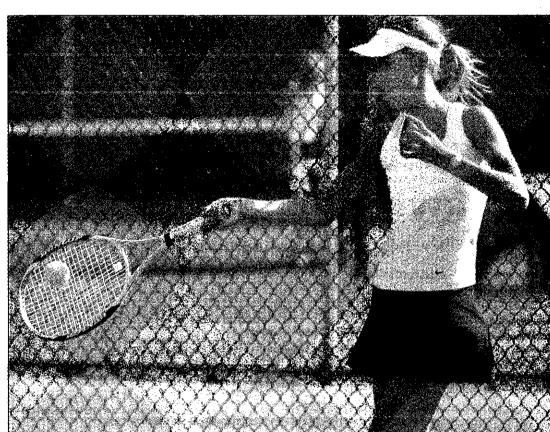
Sophomore Counsman, filling in for senior Jamie Bow at No. 2 singles, played a tough match before falling 2-6, 2-6.

The Lady Knights swept the four doubles matches, led by the No. 1 tandem of seniors Sarah McCuish and Julie Brennan's 6-2, 6-0 victory.

Junior Kate Shammon and sophomore Morgan Ellis won 6-1, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles, and the No. 3 doubles squad of sophomore Nicole Smith and Medea Shanidze won a close match, 6-4, 6-4.

Sophomores Sarah Pollic and Ellie Ottaway won 6-2, 6-1 at No. 4 doubles.

"The girls have really been focusing on not just playing well in every match, but playing their best on every point of



University Liggett School junior Cat Vatsis won a tough 6-4, 7-5 match against her Ann Arbor Greenhilis opponent.

good tennis and they will be tested in the near future when we face Cranbrook Kingswood and Country Day."

On Monday afternoon, ULS blanked Hamtramck 8-0.

Vatsis beat Kaleigh every game," Hackenberger Borowsko 6-0, 6-0 and Bow

said. "They're playing some beat Natasha Cunningham 6-0, 6-0 at the top two singles spots.

> Perrachio defeated Jannatum Nayeem 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 singles and Mair beat Marlena Gudel 6-1, 6-0 at No. 4 singles.

Each of the Lady Knights'

doubles teams won in straight sets and did not lose a game. Winners were McCuish and

Brennan at No. 1; Shannon and Ellis at No. 2; Smith and Shanidze at No. 3; and Pollic and Ottaway at No. 4.

At the moment, the No. 3 team in the state is 7-1-1.

Senior Sarah McCuish, above, and her partner, senior Julie Brennan, won an easy two-set match against Greenhills.

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TRACK AND FIELD

North girls, boys get best of rival South

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys and girls track and field teams beat city rival Grosse Pointe South last week.

The boys won 80.5-56.5 and the girls won 87.3-49.7. Both squads remained undefeated in the Macomb Area De'Rhom Pines, who tied a Conference White Division.

On the other hand, South's girls fell to 3-1 in the White Division and the boys dropped

"We have been able to re-

with kids who are learning a dual meets," said North boys head coach Pat Wilson.

"We haven't scored well in the dual meets, but our kids have done better in the bigger invitationals," said South boys head coach Werner Schienke.

Leading the Norsemen was school record set in the mid-1970s, clearning 6-feet, 8-inches in the high jump.

"That is quite an accomplishboys performed well in our riplace several very good seniors valry meet with South."

Blest Norris won the 100lot and keeping pace in our and 200-yard dashes with since we knew we had to earn Davies. times of 10.8 and 22.4 and Jack Poole and Almir Karamovic performed well in the discus, earning key points for the Norsemen.

> They also won the 4 X 100vard relay and the 4 X 200yard relay with Norris, Aaron Price, Adam Divine, Theron Carter, Paul Bramos, Jamari Henderson and Andrew Charnesky running.

> The 4 X 800-yard relay team and Mark Balle won.

a few points in the distance events, which South excels in," Wilson said.

Surmont won the 400-yard dash, while Price and Paul Chabot earned wins in the long jump and pole vault, respectively, for North.

relay team of Surmont, Bourke, Balle and Charnesky

Leading the Blue Devils was ment," Wilson said. "All of our of Sean Bourke, Matt Tim Quinn, who won both hur-plan." VanEgmond, Dan Surmont dle events. Other standouts were Edwin Gay, Mike in the 400- and 200-yard dash-

"This was a big win for us Bellovich, Dan Holly and Jack es, plus was a member of the

"We do very well in the distance events," Schienke said.

The Lady Norsemen were led by Anitra Peoples, who won the 100-, 200- and 400yard dashes, plus was on the winning 4 X 100-yard relay.

"We knew South had strong In addition, the 4 X 400-yard distance events and we had to hold our own in the field events," said North girls head coach Charles Buhagiar.

"We completed our game

Haley Abessinio was second

winning 4 X 200- and 4 X 400yard relays.

Micala Liddane was third in the mile and on the winning 4 X 800-yard relay, as was Katie Graves, who was also second in the 800-yard run and also on the 4 X 400-yard relay.

Kayla Womack was second in the shot put and third in the high jump, while Alexis Alexander was second in the discus.

Erin Shultes won the pole vault and Andrea Koueiter was second as both clearned 7-feet

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH GIRLS TRACK

Lady Blue Devils win invitational

The Grosse Pointe South girls track team won the 12team Titan Relays Saturday, April 26, at Sterling Heights the top three to earn medals. Stevenson High School.

in all 15 events, competing against some of the top teams Eisenhower, Utica, Sterling Heights and Stevenson.

The 3,200-meter relay team of Katie Steen, Natalie Gay, Jeannie Hollerbach and Christine Nelson won with a time of 10:26, and the discus throwing relay team of Chelsea Gilbert, Alyssa Carr and Courtney Maynard won with a combined mark of 220-

"To win just two of the 15 events and finish first overall is an awesome accomplishment for our girls," said South girls head coach Steve Zaranek. "Our incredible depth shined at this meet. Every single girl in every single event contributed points to our total.

"This was an outstanding competition for our team."

South jumpers all placed in

They were high jumpers The Lady Blue Devils placed Pilar Mackey, Amanda Ray and Clare Conway; long jumpers Larissa Petrovic, in the state, including Utica Sarah Youngblood and Caitlin Rivera; and pole vaulters Ali Merritt, Erin Shoemaker and Sydney Burke.

Gilbert, Carr and Allie Choma also combined to medal in the shot put relay.

On the track, South runners earned medals in the 800-meter relays. They were Kim Grambo, Ray, Nelson and Megan DeBoer. Also earning medals was the distance medley relay team of Gay, Kathy Kosinski, Bethany Cavanagh and Hollerbach.

Katherine Zurek, Aniela are all of the girls who earned points in the meet. Schacht, Emily Owens and Sabrina Roberts earned Nelson.



The shuttle hurdle team of The Grosse Pointe South girls track and field team won the 12-team Titan Relays at Sterling Heights Stevenson. Pictured above

points, as did the sprint med-ley team of Grambo, DeBoer, tal was the mid-distance relay lay team of Conway, Wong, Stephanie Wong and Kathleen team of Conway, Wong, Kosinski and DeBoer; and the

Harper Pizzimenti and 1,600-meter relay team of earned points from two co-ed Youngblood; the 400-meter re- Petrovic, Kathleen and

Christine Nelson and Steen.

The Lady Blue Devils also Merritt and Veronica Reeber.

relays that featured Tess Sheldon, Bridget Dennehy,

GIRLS LACROSSE

North stuns **DCD**

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

After losing 17-9 to Ann Arbor Huron, head coach Bill Seaman was concerned about his Grosse Pointe North girls lacrosse team.

After all, they were about to embark on a road trip to face No. 11-ranked Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

"We made some adjustments after the Huron debacle and practiced hard in preparation of facing a very tough Country Day squad," Seaman said.

Seaman's changes and heart-to-heart chat with his players worked as they upset the Yellowjackets 13-10.

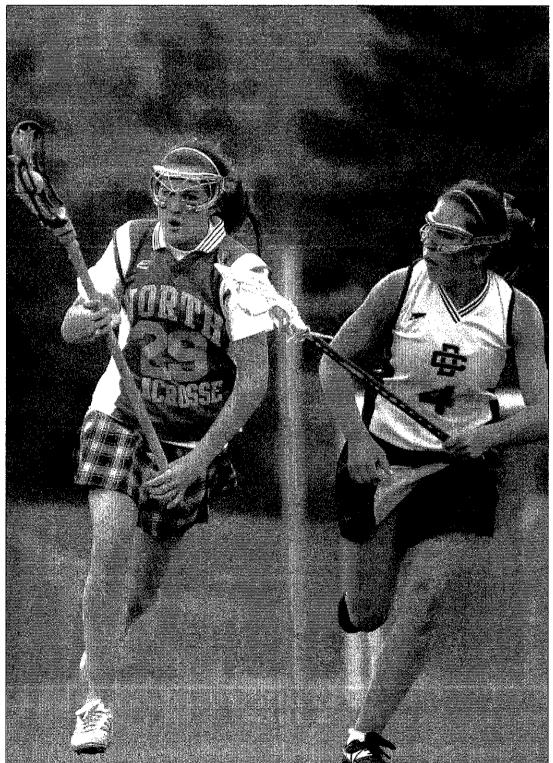
"This was our 175th varsity game in our 11 year school history, and this was by far one of our most stunning victories," Seaman said. "It was an unbelieveable game. I had goosebumps on my arms during the second half."

Alexa Quinlan and Molly Youngblood scored five goals apiece. Jill Seaman, Alexa Lucchese and Adrianna Badalamenti added a goal apiece to lead the Lady Norsemen to the upset.

Senior Lizzy Rewalt played her first-ever game as the starting goalkeeper.

"Lizzy had a couple of days to practice, but she held her own and did a fine job," right spacing, forcing Country Day to try and get a perfect

shot on net to beat her." Against Huron, Seaman's



Grosse Pointe North's Molly Youngblood, left, scored five goals in the Lady Norsemen's stunning upset victory over Country Day.

apart and watching the home team score 11 unanswered

goals. "We played, by far, the worst

Seaman said. "She was in the squad led 2-0 before falling 12-minute stretch of lacrosse in respond with that huge effort any game in my 11 seasons as head coach," Seaman said. "It

was not a happy ride home. "I was thrilled to see our girls

against Country Day."

The North girls lacrosse team stands 4-3 overall at the halfway mark of the season.

South, ULS enjoy rivalry

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls lacrosse team made quick work of University Liggett School, winning 22-5 in a recent game.

"I thought we got off to a little bit of a slow start, but then the girls picked it up and played well," said South head coach Lauren Germain. "The girls have fun with this rivalry since they know each other. It's a friendly rivalry."

Senior Annie Shepard led the Lady Blue Devils, scoring seven goals.

The Lady Knights were led by sophomore Liz Smith with two goals and two assists, and senior Jacqueline Nicholas with two goals.

"This is a fun game for the girls since they're friends with the South girls," said ULS head coach Tamara Fobare.

"South is very good and this opponent gets us ready to play the other squads on our schedule like Sacred Heart and Cranbrook Kingswood."

Last weekend, the Lady Knights hosted perennial state power Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart, losing 18-5. "I can see improvements

from the girls, which is great to see as we head into the playoffs in a few weeks," Fobare said. The Lady Knights fell be-

hind 9-3 at the half and never got closer than eight goals in the second half.

Anna Zinkel scored two goals to lead ULS. Maggie Zinkel, Nicholas and Smith also scored a Goalkeeper Alex Halladay made several nice saves in

South is 4-1 overall and ULS fell to 1-5.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH BOYS LACROSSE

North wins two

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys lacrosse team stretched its winning streak to four games last week, beating Sterling-Warren 16-5 and Romeo 13-6.

"We're running our plays very well right now, which has resulted in our offense scoring more goals," said head coach Dan Preston.

Against Sterling-Warren, iu-

niors James Tocco, Ian and Brandon LaValley Davenport scored four goals apiece.

In the Romeo victory, LaValley and junior Joe Youngblood had four goals apiece.

"The guys are playing with more confidence than a few weeks ago," Preston said. "They now feel they can go out and beat anyone."

North improved to 5-3 over-

GIRLS SOCCER

South booters pull upset over rival North

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls soccer team put a season of frustration behind it Monday night, upsetting rival Grosse Pointe North 2-1.

The host Lady Blue Devils won on a cold, windy night. They had to shut down an explosive Lady Norsemen offense, led by Olivia Stander.

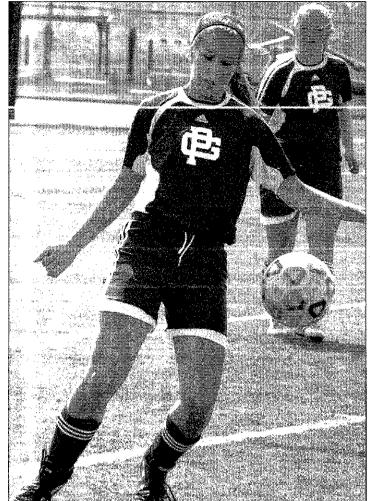
"We had to stop Olivia and force North's other players to have to score," said South head coach Gene Harkins. "Our girls did a wonderful job on defense and our offense was able to really carry the play and get a couple of huge goals.

"This was our rivalry game and it's nice to come out on

North scored early in the first half on a goal by Chelsea Detrick, but it was all South after that.

"We took our foot off the pedal after that quick goal," said North head coach Chip Stencel. "The girls let their emotions of playing a rival get in the way of executing.

"South outplayed tonight."



Chelsea MacGriff had a Grosse Pointe South's Stephanie Garbarino, pictured above chance to tie the game at the against Troy, and her teammates made sure rival North didn't 30-minute mark, but North get too many scoring opportunities.

goalkeeper Holly Spencer made the save.

MacGriff didn't miss her next scoring chance as she buried a long shot past Spencer at the 32:47 mark of the second half, tying the game

Nicole Stieber scored the game-winner with 26:18 left. lofting a shot just over Spencer's outstretched hands.

Harkins' defense did the rest, limiting the Lady Norsemen's scoring opportunities to pull off the upset. Sweeper Stephanie Garbarino led the defensive group.

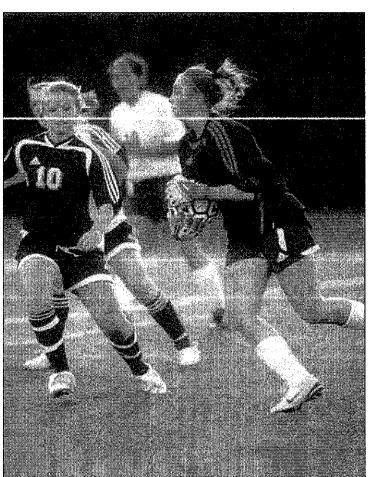
In other action, last week, the Lady Blue Devils lost 3-1 to Fraser and 3-1 to Troy, plus beat Utica 3-0.

Goal scorers in the games were Emma Brush with two, Katherine Bowman and Jackie Farber with one apiece.

"We've had some struggles offensively, but overall the girls have played pretty well," Harkins said.

North also played stateranked Utica Eisenhower last week, losing 1-0, which was its first loss of the season.

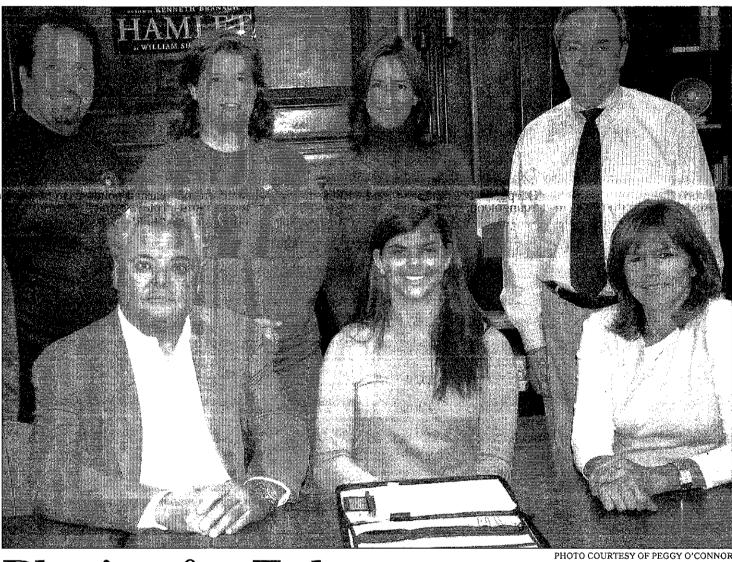
"Eisenhower is a very good team, but we had our chances," Stencel said.



Grosse Pointe North goalkeeper Holly Spencer, center, made a spectacular, point-blank save in the first half against rival Grosse Pointe South.

Harkins' squad stands 3-6-1 Macomb Area Conference Red in the Red Division and 7-2 overall and 2-0-1 in the Division; North dropped to 1-2 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL



Playing for Tulane

University Liggett School 2007 graduate Samantha Troyanovich, seated center, received a full ride scholarship to Tulane University to play golf after spending a post-graduate year attending the LPGA Golf School. Troyanovich will begin her Tulane career in fall 2008. She will be one of five freshmen on the team, which was ranked No. 7 in the country before Hurricane Katrina. She was a toprated high school player in the state during her time on the Knights' golf squad. Pictured with Troyanovich are, top row from left, Chris Hartley, ULS principal; Michelle Hicks, ULS athletic director; Elizabeth Jamett, director of college guidance; and Joe Healey, head of school; bottom row from left, father, Michael; and mother, Cindy.

Lady Knights edge contender

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls softball team knocked off one of the conference's preseason picks to finish first Friday, April 25, beating host Clawson, 8-7.

"This gives us wins against two of the top teams in the conference, Lutheran North and Clawson," said head coach Jim Schmidt.

Brown Senior Taylor cruised through the first three innings, striking out six hit-

The Lady Knights' offense had no problem scoring as they built a 7-0 lead.

Several errors allowed the Lady Trojans to tie the game in the fifth inning, but Schmidt's squad squeezed home the winning run in the top of the sixth.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT Senior Taylor Brown earned a hard-fought victory, leading University Liggett School's girls softball team past conference title contender Clawson,

setting down the final eight hitters to record the win. At the plate, she had two doubles, a single and three RBIs.

Senior Kristine Smitherman chipped in with two singles, a walk and three runs scored and senior catcher Danielle Vespa was solid behind the plate, Schmidt said.

"We had a nightmare inning, but the girls took a deep breath and pulled out a big win," Schmidt said.

"We're in very good position heading into the final week of the conference's regular season schedule."

The Lady Knights pounded out a 21-6 victory over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood Monday afternoon. They had 14 hits in the mercy home win.

received plenty of run support and 8-2 overall.

Brown regained her focus, early as the Lady Knights scored four runs in the opening inning.

> Kristin Smitherman led off with a walk and Brown dou-

Vespa and Ke'Ana Bryant blasted triples to make it 3-0 and Kristin Peterson singled home Bryant for the fourth run. Megan Brandon had a two-run single Smitherman singled home two more runs to give the home team a quick 8-0 lead.

The Cranes came back with six runs (five unearned) in the third inning, but the Lady Knights pulled away, thanks to Ginny Mathiew's three runs scored, Megan Amicucci, Brandon Monicatti and Janaya Gripper offensive out-

The Lady Knights improved Brown earned the win and to 5-0 in the Metro Conference

Booters defeat conference foes

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett School's girls soccer team extended its minute later, but Jillian winning streak to three games last week, beating Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 2-1 and Lutheran Westland 4-1.

"We're starting to get into a winning tally." groove," said head coach David Backhurst. "We were first half, Goldberg sent a pass snortnanded Northwest, but found a way to

Six minutes into the first half, Quinn Scillian scored on a breakaway to give the Lady Knights a 1-0 lead.

Northwest tied it early in the second half, but the game-winning tally was scored with 14 minutes left when Paige Counsman sent a perfect pass to Analisa Provenzano who scored.

"We had to scramble a lot because we were missing some key starters who were on a school assignment," Backhurst said. "The girls who stepped in played very well."

The Lady Knights were at Westland and 10 minutes into

the opening half, Rachel Goldberg scored to make it a 1-0 game. It was 1-1 not more than a

Twardowski assisted von Counsman's goal halfway through the opening half.

That turned out to be the

With 10 minutes left in the against to the far side of the goal. which Provenzano headed into the net for the Lady Knights' third goal.

Counsman scored her second goal of the game late in the first half to round out the offensive output.

Sweeper Charlotte Waldmeir defenders Drettmann and Whitney Baubie helped hold Lutheran Westland to only five shots, while Backhurst's offense gen-

erated 13 shots. "We have a history of not playing well at Lutheran Westland, but tonight we did," Backhurst said. "It was nice to get these two wins."

ULS improved to 3-1 in the full strength against Lutheran Metro Conference and 4-2 overall.

Knights on a roll

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Head coach Chris Hartley

has seen his University Liggett School boys lacrosse team grow physically, as well as mentally during his four years at the helm.

Last weekend, his Knights took a big step forward, beating a good Rochester Adams squad 13-9.

"This was a gigantic win for us," Hartley said. "I told the guys at the half that this was. our game to win. I told them to not be happy to be in the game because this is ours to win."

Mike McCoy had two goals, while Steve Coval, Jack Fisher, Mike Burchi and Dan Zukas each tallied once as it was 6-6 at the half.

Rory Deane made two excellent saves early in the third quarter to keep it a tie game.

At the 6:22 mark, the host Knights scored to take the lead for good. They scored four more goals in the third period to grab an 11-7 lead.

the final quarter to round out ries.

the scoring.

McCoy finished with five goals and Fisher had three goals and an assist. Burchi also had three goals and Coval added three assists to his firsthalf tally.

"We're playing with a lot of confidence, which we should with eight seniors in the lineup," Hartley said. "We have played some very tough

matches and won.' In other action, ULS beat Ann Arbor Greenhills 13-9 and Romeo 8-2.

Coval and sophomore Mac Decker each had three goals to lead the offense.

Andrew Callawaert had two goals and Brandon Woods recorded his first-ever point with an assist late in the game.

Against Romeo, McCoy had three goals, while Fisher and Tim Boll had two apiece.

"The defense played an outstanding game," Hartley said. "More specifically, the mandown team stopped all scoring chances."

University Liggett School Each team scored twice in improved to 6-1 with the victoBOYS BASEBALL

Graves' 2-hitter leads

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett School's boys baseball team blanked Conference foe Metro Hamtramck last week, winning 13-0 in five innings.

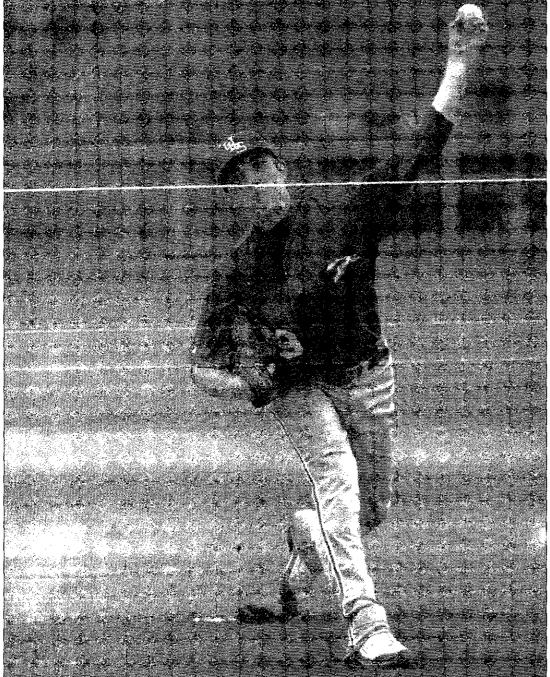
"We have played so many tough games during the past few weeks, so it was nice to have a relative easy game," said ULS head coach Dan Cimini. "We had a good day all around."

Junior Tommy Graves pitched a two-hitter, striking out seven, and was 2-for-3 with a two-run homer and four RBIs at the plate.

Freshman Joseph Simon was 3-for-3 to lead the Knights' offense that put the game away by scoring four runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Later in the week, the Knights traveled to Clawson and won 9-5 behind sophomore Dominic Jamett's two hits and two RBIs.

The No. 1-ranked University Liggett School baseball team improved to 6-0 in the Metro Conference and 12-0 overall.



University Liggett School's Curtis Fisher was in complete control, pitching the Knights' boys baseball team past Clawson.

Norsemen get offense in wins

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Slowly but surely the Grosse Pointe North's boys baseball team is gaining steam.

Last week, the Norsemen won their four games, beating Fraser 4-3 and Port Huron Northern 6-1, before sweeping a doubleheader from Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 11-1 in five innings and 17-0 in three innings.

"We're getting good pitching and our offense is coming around," said head coach Frank Sumbera.

In the Fraser contest, the Norsemen scored twice in the second inning as Greg Blunden got it started by reaching base via an error.

He was sacrificed to second and Brett Reardon followed with a walk.

Chris Vens hit a two-run triple to get the Norsemen on the board, but Fraser was able to take a 3-2 lead after five innings.

In the final inning, Tim Tibaudo had an RBI double and Robert Briske hit the winning single, scoring Tom Dilone who walked.

in relief, striking out four and giving up four hits.

The Norsemen scored four runs in the opening inning against Northern, thanks to run-scoring hits by Briski and Nick Cullen and a two-run homer by Danny Malafouris. Joshua Cok tossed a three-



Grosse Pointe North's baseball team got its offense on track in a doubleheader sweep of Bloomfield Hills Lahser, scoring 28 runs.

Nate Lewis earned the win hitter with eight strikeouts to earn the win. Tibaudo and two RBIs, while Cullen striking out a batter.

In the opening game of the RBIs. Lahser doubleheader, Vens went the first four innings to Norsemen scored one run in get the win, striking out six nal inning.

Tibaudo had two doubles ond inning. 3 with a combined three

In the nightcap, the blasted a three-run homer. the first inning and sent 20 the amazing 16 runs in the sec- and 13-3 overall.

During the offensive explopitched the seventh inning, and Reardon were both 3-for- sion, Nate Lewis and Mike Rahaim each hit a grand slam, while Kyle Cordova

North improved to 3-0 in Macomb and Drew Tech pitched the fi- hitters to the plate, scoring an Conference White Division

Blue Devils are back on track

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

After a 2-4 start, the Grosse Pointe South boys baseball team has won seven of eight to stand 9-5 overall.

"Our pitching has kept us in every game since our offense has sputtered a bit," said head coach Dan Griesbaum. "I think our guys have done a nice job getting past some adversity and they're playing pretty good right now."

Last week, the Blue Devils began their league schedule with wins over Anchor Bay (10-0), Port Huron Northern (2-1) and Fraser (3-1 in eight

Against Anchor Bay, Mike ning pitcher

Riashi pitched four innings to earn the win, striking out four nings, giving up only one hit and giving up only one hit. Offensively, Chris Stevens

and Tom Remillet each had two hits and two RBIs, while Mike Herzog had a two-run double.

In the Northern game, Tom Carion earned the victory, scattering five hits while striking out five in seven innings of

the fifth inning provided the big hit to earn the win.

inning against Fraser, Ben Muer was the hero, hitting a walk-off, two-out, two-run

Riashi pitched all eight in- fourth inning. and striking out seven.

In other recent action, the Blue Devils beat Eastpointe Barclay earned the pitching win in relief.

Lance Lucas and Mike and drove in two runs. Cytacki each had three hits and two RBIs, while Muer hit a two-run homer.

Griesbaum's squad also won Stevens' two-run double in two of three games in the Mount Pleasant Tournament, losing 6-5 to the host school be-In the bottom of the eighth fore beating West Branch Ogemaw Heights 16-0 and Escanaba 3-1.

> In the tournament opener, unearned runs to score in the

Barclay had two RBIs, while Remillet and Johnny Hackett each drove in one run.

The offense broke loose for East Detroit 9-4 as Brian 16 runs against Ogemaw Heights. Muer had three hitsa homer, double and single -

Other standouts Cytacki with two hits and three RBIs, Herzog with two hits, Will Ferrara with two hits, Bobby Peltz with two hits and Matt Reck with two hits.

Against Escanaba, Herzog pitched three innings in relief to pick up the victory and helped his own cause by hitting a run-scoring double in homer to make Riashi the win- the Blue Devils allowed four the fifth which turned out to be the winning run.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH SPORTS

Lady Norsemen lose two of three

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls softball team was 1-2 last week, beating L'Anse Creuse North 10-2 and losing 10-0 to Lake Shore and 1-0 in 10 innings to Utica Ford.

"We have faced some very tough teams and held our own in most of them," said head coach Bill Taylor.

Katie Martin has been pitching well for the Lady Norsemen and is hitting more than .400.

are Madie Kent and Theresa

Nagel, both hitting above .400, and senior captain Rachae 1 Lentz, who is hitting arouncal .390 and leading the team in

Emily Bantien has shared her time pitching and playing the outfield and his hitting above .300.

"We lost a lot of key seniors from last year's team; so we have a relatively younger squad this season," Taylor said. "They're learning the game at the varsity level and getting

North is 1-2 in the Macomb Other offensive standouts Area Conference White Division and 4-6 overall.

Teams finish well in Chicago

By Bob St. John

Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's sailing teams fared well during an invitational held at the Chicago Yacht Club Saturday, April 12.

"We took three teams to represent Grosse Pointe North," said head coach Brad Restum. "Each team consisted of two skippers and two crews. They sailed as a team and their combined scores were totaled for the final results."

North's team No. 1 won the regatta with Brady Savage the A division skipper and Katie Bill at crew and Kelly Seago Scott Stevens at crew.

Restum's No. 2 squad placed fourth with A division skipper and crew Chris Bill and Karinne Marcolini teamed with B division skipper and crew Will Cyr and Eric Pomber.

The No. 3 team placed 10th. Dan Bracciano and Will Broman were the A division skipper and crew, and Michael Seago and Ryan Seago were the B division skipper and

Restum added that Savage and Bill won Division A, while Cyr and Pomber won Division B, followed by Michael and the B division skipper and Ryan Seago in Division B.

BOYS GOLF ROUNDUP

In the Na Carolyn

Golfers hold own

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys golf team endured 40 mph winds and brisk tempera-Traverse City Invitational.

"We were 40 strokes higher on Saturday than after our rounds on Friday, due to the gusty winds," said head coach Brian Stackpoole.

Leading the way for the Norsemen were seniors Chris Hamilton and Chris Zak, and juniors Robert Okonowski and Matt Jankowski.

"We're holding our own and tures last weekend during the getting better," Stackpoole

North stands 4-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and overall after beating Utica Ford 152-182 on Monday.

Knights get wins

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

University Liggett School's co-ed golf team won two

matches last week, improving to 2-3 overall. "It's been a learning curve this season, but overall our

coach Dan Sullivan.

The Knights beat Warren "We're enjoying our time."

Macomb Christian Franklin Road Christian by more than 20 strokes.

Leading the way were Marc Hames, who has been the team's medalist in every match, Jacob Dombrowski and John George. "The kids are learning with

kids are having fun," said head each round and they are getting better," Sullivan said.

Golf team sits 2-2

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys golf team stands 2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Head coach Doug Roby and his Blue Devils beat Romeo and Utica Eisenhower with sophomore Tommy Pendy leading the way with a 37.6 nine-hole average.

Senior Tim Shield is leading with an average of an 18-hole 77.75 average.

He finished second last weekend at the Traverse City Tee-Off Invitational, posting a 77 in 45 degree weather with winds blowing between 35 and 40 mph.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH BOYS LACROSSE

Blue Devils get 2 of 3

By Bob St. John

Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys lacrosse team was one quarter from sweeping its three games played last week. The Blue Devils thumped Romeo 15-3 and Sterling-

Warren 18-6 before falling 11-

10 in overtime to Farmington.

They led higher-ranked Farmington 10-2 after three periods, but collapsed in the final quarter.

"The numerous mental mistakes the guys made in the fourth quarter was mind boggling," said head coach Don Wolford, "We had a good flow

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going for the first three quarters and our defense was outstanding.

"I don't know what happened in that final quarter, but an opportunity to gain a No. 1 seed in the upcoming state playoffs."

had three goals to lead a balgoal and four assists against Sterling-Warren.

in the Sterling-Warren con-

lead with 50 seconds left and team." had possession of the ball.

A stalling call gave the ball back to Farmington, which scored the tying goal with only one second left in the game.

They scored early in overtime to complete the come-

"Despite the horrendous fourth quarter, we were still in position to win, if we held possession of the ball for the final 50 seconds," Wolford said.

After regaining possession. Farmington worked the ball all I know is our players blew around until there were 20 seconds left on the clock before calling a timeout.

"I told our defensive guys to Against Romeo Sam Mott watch for their top players who will cut to the goal," anced attack and he added a Wolford said. "Our defender on the ball did a good job, but Farmington was still able to Evan Welch had three goals find a cutter and score before the time ran out.

"It's a disappointing loss, In the Farmington game, but we can't dwell on it. We the Blue Devils held a 10-9 have a lot of talent on this

South is 6-3 overall.



Grosse Pointe South's Sam Mott, left, has been a scoring machine for the Blue Devils.

GIRLS TENNIS

South blanks rival North

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls tennis team blanked rival Grosse Pointe North last week, winning 9-0.

"It's a rivalry match and our girls were pumped up to play," said South head coach Mark Sobieralski. "Our girls played very, very well."

In nine matches, the Lady Blue Devils lost only three games.

At No. 1 singles, Angela Chupa beat North's Ariana defeated Lauren Gilezan 6-1, 6-0 at No. 2 singles.

In the No. 3 singles match, Carolyn Chupa beat Kim Woods 6-0, 6-0, and Sarah VanWalleghem defeated Rachel Brusstar 6-0, 6-0.

player for the Lady Blue Devils, peted. Melanie Capuano, teamed with Mary Kate Hayden to beat with 21 points, followed by Lady Norsemen's team of Pioneer with 16, Novi with 14, Claire Mulier and Stephanie Clarkston with 11, Saline, Schucker 6-1, 6-0 at No. 1 dou-

"Melanie understands how deep our team is; so she had no invitational," Sobieralski said. problem playing No. 1 doubles," Sobieralski said. "We're girls performed. They played a team and every player counts.'

Emily Biegas 6-0, 6-1 at No. 3 No. 3 singles. doubles.

It's a rivalry match and our girls were pumped up to play. Our girls played well.'

MARK SOBIERALSKI, South head tennis coach

at No. 4 doubles and the final match of the afternoon went to South's Carla Schmidt and Emily Lynch, 6-0, 6-0, over North's Lily Coates and Becky Butler at No. 5 doubles.

The win clinched the Conti 6-0, 6-0, and Mary Chupa Macomb Area Conference Red Division title for South, which is 4-0 and 5-0 overall. North dropped to 1-1 in the division and 1-2 overall.

Last weekend, South competed in the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational. Seven of the top-Last year's No. 1 singles ranked teams in the state com-

The Lady Blue Devils won Rochester and Northville with 10 and Holly with four.

"This was an unbelievable "I was proud of how well our inspired tennis.'

Angela Chupa, Mary Chupa At No. 2 doubles, Lizzy Hyde and Carolyn Chupa won gold and Victoria Grams defeated medals in their flights, beating Stephanie Malouf and Abby Rochester's Kelsey Dieters 6-2, Whittenberg 6-0, 6-1, and Kate 6-1 at No. 1 singles, Andrianna Brennan and Julie Wittwer Lingl 6-0, 6-4 at No. 2 singles beat Amanda Josefiak and and Katarina Lingl 6-3, 6-1 at

"The Chupa sisters beat Molly Lynch and Stephanie three very talented Rochester Skau beat Sarah McPharlin girls who are ranked in the and Kristen Sheridan 6-0, 6-0 Midwest," Sobieralski said.

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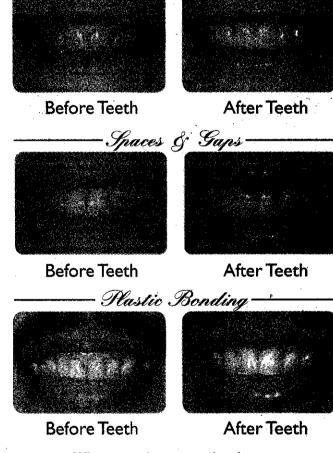
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Barry pitches team to wins

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

A strong schedule is starting to pay dividends for Grosse Pointe South's girls softball Dearborn Divine

Included in the tough opposition were Grosse Pointe Dakota, St. Clair North, Dearborn Divine Child, Macomb Dakota (twice), St. Clair Shores Lakeview (twice) Marine City. and Marine City.

their last two games, improving to 2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 3-8 overall. Jen Barry earned both wins.

On Monday, she pitched only four innings as the Lady Blue Devils crunched Warren Mott 18-2.

Freshman Emma Maniere ances and third with 12 hits. had three hits and three RBIs RBIs to pace the offense.

Senior Catherine Zettner pitching 54 innings.

Included in the tough opposition were Grosse Pointe North, Child, Macomb Shores Lakeview and

The Lady Blue Devils won chipped in with three hits, two runs scored and two RBIs.

> On Friday, Barry tossed a complete-game five-hitter and did not allow a run in leading the Lady Blue Devils to a 2-1 win over Warren Cousino.

> For the season, Maniere is hitting .375 and leading the team with 38 plate appear-

Barry has all three wins and and senior Aimee Abraham has gone the distance in seven had two doubles and three of those contests. She has a 3.75 earned run average while







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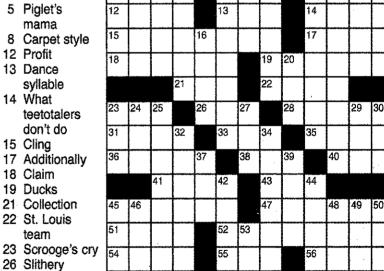
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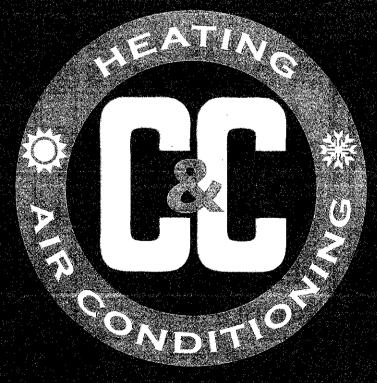
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The footsteps of a clean home

Ask Cindy By Cynthia Inman

I have been asked by many, "What do you notice in a that determines or not?"

about this issue both mental as well as cloudy film on glass. and actual. I thought I would share a few of these points.

path that is not very different ings, ceiling skylights, corfrom the one I move through when I do an actual walk boards and the corners of through of a potential customer's home.

door of the house or apartand hinges within the recesses of the door, it's the first hint

pressions mean a lot.

2) I look up at the light fixtures, wall sconces, chandeliers- and lamp shades. It is whether it is relatively clean here where more often than not, incessant cobwebs will be I have made many notes found on lights, lamp shades

3) My eyes will sweep the room for the high and low Let me take you through a cobwebs in the cathedral ceilners/edges, radiators, basestairwells.

1) The very first place my — one of my favorite rooms. I eyes will land is on the front immediately recognize that appliances and accessories ment. As I notice dirty frames have dust and food crumbs caught in grooves and edges.

It's interesting how this type that the housekeeping routine of accumulation can become a

unsightly, I say, "We have these items are cleaned we some work here." First imimmediately notice the differ-

It is here where toothbrushes and a vacuum crevice tool will make a visible difference. surface properly cleaned improves the air quality and the energy of a home.

5) What I usually see immediately in the bathroom is dingy tile grout lines on the ceramic walls and floor. Mildew is another unsightly find. Some will try to convince the homeowner that the only thing that can be done is to dig 4) Now to enter the kitchen out the lines and re-grout. With a different determination, I've found that using proper techniques along with effective cleaning tools and detergents can resolve 80 percent of these issues minimally.

Renewal cleaning allows needs an adjustment. Along part of the fabric of our home anyone to start again. Provide with this, when I see that the experience without us really a new life for all surfaces by threshold of the doorway is noticing. However, when eradicating the dirt build-up

your home. 6) When I look around the living, dining and family rooms, my eyes quickly find the small decor pieces, shelf whatnots, wood woven baskets and acrylics that have become dust collectors.

7) Just a slight glance at the glass in the home from the entry door, to glass inserts in chi-

and learning how to maintain na closet cabinets will reveal smudges and streaks that cause one to wonder if they should proceed beyond that point. Unfortunately, when using an incorrect approach, one can make bad matters

> 8) In home interiors, one will find wood furniture with intricate design cuts, cabinetry and wood panels in various areas. When these surfaces are allowed to accumulate dust and finger prints, there is an unsightliness that from recent activity. is projected outward. Again, this unsightliness can be alleviated with the appropriate cloths and solutions. For instance, there is a popular oil soap that is consistently used by many on wood floors to clean and provide a desired luster effect. I quickly discovered it was exactly the wrong product to use on wood floors.

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9) Rugs and carpets can show wear when they're not properly maintained. Area rugs should be lifted and vacuumed around the edges. Expensive oriental rugs should not be vacuumed with an electric rotating tool. One should use a soft stationary bristle brush instead.

Wall-to-wall

needs a clean vibrating vacuum brush. Rugs with fringes must be hand brushed out. The results make a world of difference. All of this due diligence is the difference between a finished look and an incomplete look.

10) An instant indicator of the cleanliness of any home regardless of appearance - is the air quality. All smells have a source. Smells that result from an accumulation of dirt and food soils are different

Begin with de-cluttering, changing an overflowing vacuum bag, and wet wipe the broom bristles free from dirt accumulation. Starting with a plan, organized movements, clean clothes and tools, you will be well on your way to achieving a clean home and environment.

The items covered in this column will have homeowners well on their way to recognizing that a change in approach is needed for that superior look after a cleaning ef-

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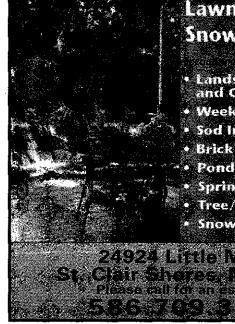


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Tips to make lawn care easier and grass nicer

requires depends on the type of grass chosen, as well as on the climate and a homeowner's personal standards.

"You may be satisfied with a serviceable lawn or you may want the greenest, freshest, most weed-free lawn in the neighborhood," says Barbara Damrosch author of "The Garden Primer." "It's your choice and your time and effort."

The most important job in lawn care is mowing. Use

The amount of work a lawn whatever type of mower is pre- Neither is true. Mow too short ferred and follow these tips from Damrosch:

> height, as every type is different. Cool-season grasses can be mowed shorter in spring to let the ground warm, but higher in hot weather so thev'll be less stressed. Mow a bit higher in shaded snots

· Most people mow too short, either because they feel it looks tidier or because they think it'll take longer to grow back and need mowing again.

and you get a yellow, scalped look and your lawn grows • Mow grasses to the correct faster to make up the loss of blade surface.

> • Mow regularly. This controls annual weeds by cutting stems before they can go to seed and restrains the vigor of perennial ones. If the grass grows too long between mowings, the lawn may be hard to cut and weedy. It may turn brown when mowed because the part of the grass blade that's been shaded isn't used

to direct sun.

 Cut no more than a third of a blade's length. And don't cut when the grass is wet or it'll cut raggedly. Keep the mower sharp. Dull blades will fray and chew up the lawn.

· Leave clippings to decompose and return nutrients to the soil, unless there are big piles or clumps of tall grass cuttings that can smother the grass beneath. Rake them up for compost or mulch.

"Often we mow once a week, simply because weekends are the only time available or because the person you hired is on a schedule," says Damrosch. "But if you can be flexible, mow more often when the grass is leaping, such as in spring or after a rainy spell. Hold off when it's growing slowly."

If the soil is prepared well and the type of grass chosen likes the climate, the lawn will rarely need to be fed, if at all. Producing too much lush growth by overfeeding can

make grass prone to disease and cause a thatch layer to build up.

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Putting chemical fertilizer on a lawn can burn it and frequent applications can cause harmful salts to build up in the soil. It can harm needed soil organisms or make the lawn chemical dependent and lack-

ing deep, strong roots. "To boost your lawn, try topdressing it with compost," says Damrosch. "A dusting does the trick, though you can apply more heavily over bare patches. If needed, sprinkle on some seed."

When it comes to watering, too much can be bad. If a good lawn is built with the right grass and plenty of organic material in the soil, it should survive dry periods. Even if the grass looks dormant or brown, the lawn usually revives when wet weather returns.

The most important watering tip, says Damrosch, is to water deeply. A shallow surface sprinkling causes roots to



grow toward the surface rather than down deep.

Water at the beginning or end of the day when less will evaporate, and when wind won't cast water astrav.

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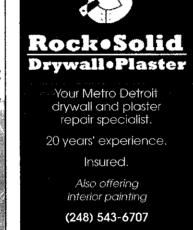
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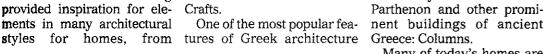
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Decorative columns add style to home interiors

provided inspiration for elements in many architectural

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sign feature. Columns are readily available in numerous species of wood, each with its own benefits. Wood columns offer time less charm, beauty and character that only an all-natural material can exude.

"Columns are an ideal way to add elegance to any room,' says Joe Livengood of Crown Column & Millwork. "The architectural styling and detail options are nearly endless."

Columns come in tapered and nontapered profiles and the shaft, which is the core component of the column, can be round or square. The capital is the top portion and is a bit larger than the main shaft and normally it is ornamental. Capitals, as well as column bases, come in a wide create a unique look matching nearly every decor.

Columns are commonly Many of today's homes are found in grand entryways, built or remodeled with decofoyers and porches. They are rative columns as a key dealso well suited for defining formal spaces, highlighting focal points and establishing a visual transition between

Since open floor plans and great rooms are common these days, one popular trend is to create a slight separation Livengood. "Columns are a between spaces without losing the overall flow of the open-floor concept.

with decorative columns adds

style yet helps maintain that great room feel, where a solid interior wall would normally break up the flow," says stylish way to make the most out of available floor space."

Decorative columns can "Wrapping structural posts add a touch of class to almost any style of home.



There are many ways to reduce basement moisture and prevent it from leading to major repair expenses.

Make sure rain gutters are functioning properly and downspouts are clear. Use long leaders or downspout extensions to carry rainwater far away from the foundation. Also, slope the ground around the wall so that water drains away from the foundation.

Check walls carefully for

any cracks or gaps, and seal them with a caulking compound designed for your type of wall. If problems persist, more extensive waterproofing work may be needed.

If obtaining an evaluation from a qualified waterproofing contractor, beware of recommendations for major waterproofing work that are only designed to remove water that seeps in, rather than preventing it from infiltrating in the first place. In many cases, it is more effective and less expensive to address exterior conditions to redirect the water away from the foundation.

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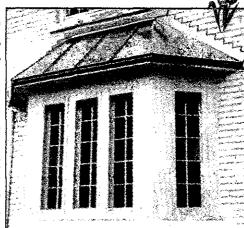
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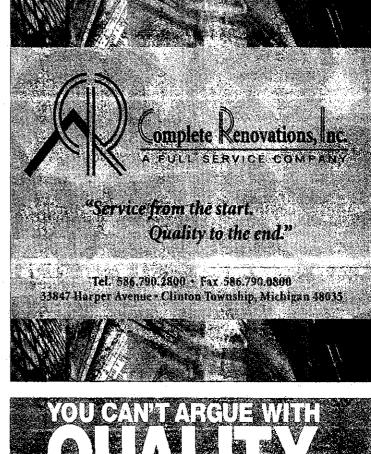
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Enjoy moths at night when they pollinate flowers

By Maureen Gilmer Special Writer

Everyone loves a butterfly but few are as enchanted with the lowly moth.

Yet these muted insects lost in the shadows may have more smarts. Eons ago they quit the daytime and found it safer to chase flowers after

wildlife gardens because ing on sacred datura, a waywe're indoors when they're out and about. But if you've ever been blessed with seeing a giant hummingbird moth in a brunfelsia or the yucca moth flitting amidst the night blooming candles, you'll discover just how unique these insects can be.

There are a whole group of plants, many of them nightshades, that are pollinated by moths. Zero in on moth pollinated plants by their common names. They often contain words that refer to a time of day. For example, evening primrose and morning glories open during these transitional times when moths may visit.

Another tip is the unique qualities of these flowers. They lure moth pollinators specifically with their form, scent and color.

Many sun brilliant colors such as red turn black as soon as the sun sets. White, cream and pale yellow flowers are the last to fade at dusk. These may even become luminescent under moonlight, like reflectors on a car. The reason moths are drawn to a flame or a light bulb also lures them to these highly reflective flowers.

Moth pollinated flowers can be far more heavily scented than many daytime blooms. It's because they need to lure the pollinator from a long way off in this murky nocturnal world. Some moth flowers can smell musky because they've evolved a scent much like the

The scent may also be sweet, advertising a nectar reward

deep inside the flower. Moth pollinated flowers often feature trumpet shaped blossoms. Moths hover to feed and send their proboscus deep into the flower just like a hummingbird to reach the nectar. The tongue of the hawk moth can be up to four inches long. We often overlook moths in It is uniquely adapted to feedside weed with huge white, six inch trumpet flowers.

> For those who love to spend summer evenings in the garden, moth flowers ensure plenty of activity. When such flowers are close to windows you can also enjoy them from indoors.

The following flowers are essential to creating a multidimensional habitat garden that celebrates natural diversi-

• Evening primrose — the genus oenothera includes

wildflowers with a direct link tors. to locally native moth species.

Brunfelsia - known in Victorian times as yesterday, today and tomorrow due to its dark, medium and light purple flowers, this is a highly fragrant tropical coveted at dusk by moths.

Yucca — a group of New World plants with great spires of white flowers that maintain the most famous moth pollination relationship in the natural

• Heliotrope — with a scent often compared to that of cloves or fresh cookies, these unique old-fashioned bedding plants are famous moth and butterfly lures.

 Woodbine honeysuckle a European species that has naturalized in the eastern United States.

Four o'clock - known botanically as mirabilis jalapa, this Peruvian native opens around four in the afternoon

sex pheromone of the moth. many North American native to entice night time pollina-

 Nicotiana — a nightshade related to tobacco, this richly perfumed plant lures night pollinators with a wide array of hybrid colors.

All of these are nectar plants that feed the adult moth, but don't forget that these insects experience metamorphosis. They hatch out of eggs as hungry caterpillar larvae that feed on plants, many of them our most vexing agricultural pests.

I discovered this the hard way when the hawkmoths lured by my tropical angel's trumpet laid eggs among its leaves. Then to my surprise, finger sized larvae ate the entire plant just a few weeks lat-

Maureen Gilmer is a horticulturist and host of "Weekend Gardening" on DIY Network. — Scripps Howard News

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South American angel's trumpet emits a potent sweet fragrance at dusk.



The evening primrose, genus oenothera, is famous for their moth-pollinated flowers.



The unusual fragrance of heliotrope flowers evolved to lure moths.



The tall tobacco nicotiana alata is pollinated by moths with exceptionally long probosces to reach deep into the narrow tubular flowers.

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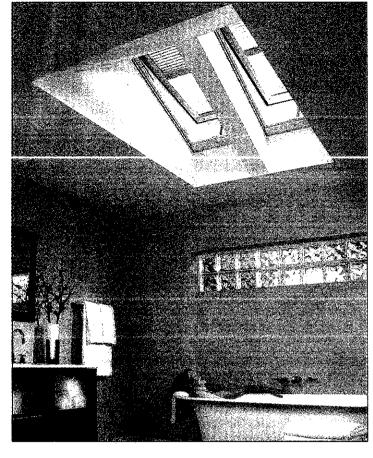
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Skylights provide 30 percent more light than vertical windows of the same size while creating the drama Ulmann

"From a decorating standpoint, skylights don't use wall space, creating an even greater sense of openness while lighting and ventilating homes," says Joe Patrick, se-

One of today's most popular nior product manager with home design features is more Velux America.

Modern, Energy Star qualified skylights share all the energy efficient qualities of vertical windows, including double pane construction with argon gas filled, low-e glass and wooden frames for superior

Skylights can be opened and closed or lightened and darkened using a remote control. They can include moisture sensors that close them automatically in case of rain.

"Light from windows is rarely enough, especially in places where lot sizes are small," says Jennifer Powers of Scott-Ulmann. A recent National Home Shopper's Survey conducted by the National Association of Homebuilders found 65 percent of homebuyers request skylights in their bathrooms, where privacy is of the utmost importance.

Kitchens are also prime

spots for venting skylights. There they utilize their natural chimney effect to exhaust moist, heated air and cooking

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When it comes to feeding wild birds less is more

interest of many

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, about one third of Americans feed wild birds. Whether it's the enjoyment of viewing wildlife up close and personal or listening to the pleasant chirps and trills

Feeding wild birds is a popu- of the birds' songs, more quent weeds — that can accu- nation of seeds into Americans are being inspired to put up feeders, buy outdoor pet food and turn wild birds into lovable outdoor pets.

On the other hand, some people are hesitant to dive into the hobby of feeding wild birds because they are discouraged by the shells — and subse-

mulate around a feeding sta-

According to research done

by the Wild Bird Feeding Industry, the No. 2 reason why people don't feed birds is because of the mess left under their feeders. Innovative wild bird food manufacturers have taken notice of this concern. which has resulted in the creation of "waste-free" and "less mess" mixes. These formulations allow bird lovers to enjoy the best of both worlds: A yard full of colorful outdoor pets and a lawn that is neat

Less mess products are designed to keep outdoor living areas clean because they are made without the shells of seeds. Without the shells, there is less leftover debris scattered around the feeding station. Premium mixes such as Wild Delight's Less Mess line of products are formulated to help prevent the germi-

and tidy.

weeds under feed-

When trying to keep a clean yard, it's important to consider the type of seed being put out. "Basic mixes" or "economy mixes" contain many extra ingredients that birds simply sift through and push to the ground. These

mixes can also attract less desirable birds, such as starlings and sparrows that typically gather in large numbers and can make quite a mess.

For those who want to avoid a messy yard and nuisance birds, look for products that are made with premium ingredients such as fruits and nuts that more sought-after birds such as cardinals and finches

Another option for those who want to keep a clean yard

is to place a tray under a feeder. Trays will help catch any spilled seeds and make cleanup much easier. They act as another level to the feeding station. What some birds pass up and toss onto the tray, others might feast on happily, creating a wide variety of feathered friends at one feeding sta-

tion.

Feeding nectar and suet is another way to keep a tidy lawn. These types of food help attract many different types of sought-after birds such as woodpeckers, orioles and hummingbirds, creating a beautiful spectacle of unique wildlife.

It is also important to put out multiple feeders to prevent overcrowding. When too many birds gather at one feeder, things tend to get a little hectic and messy. If birds have the option to dine at more than

one feeder, there is less pushing and shoving, which may mean that more seeds are eaten instead of thrown to the

Spreading mulch under feeders is another easy way to keep a yard looking cleaner. Mulch will hide the seeds that may fall, and it can dress up a feeding station. By adding a border with stones or other decorative items around the mulch, a feeding station can become a nice addition to a landscaper's design.

With the proper food and a little bit of planning, bird enthusiasts can enjoy the hobby of bird feeding and a wellgroomed lawn at the same

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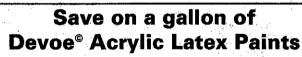
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Draw from spring's color palette

redecorating project, consider drawing inspiration from the vast array of colors spring pro-

"Each season is associated with various signature colors," says Peggy Van Allen, Pratt & Lambert Paints' color marketing and lead specialist. "If you're considering refreshing the look of a room and want to draw on the great outdoors for inspiration, spring offers the most expansive and versatile color palettes to choose from. It's an ideal time to incorporate the season's colors into the decor of any room."

Van Allen says a simple and effective way to incorporate color is to paint one transitional wall, as opposed to the entire room. By doing this, seasonal decor items can be paired — such as throw pil-

If you're planning a spring newly painted accent wall. painting the walls a shade of This adds a dramatic change to a room in a minimal amount of time.

> Pratt & Lambert Paints offers the following color-inspiration tips:

 During spring new life is sprouting up all around us, especially in flowerbeds. When redecorating, consider looking at the colors popping up in the backyard. Daffodils are some of the first flowers to bloom use them as inspiration and paint the walls a bright or pale shade of yellow.

• In addition to the beautiful colors generated by perennials, spring's green foliage and vegetation can also be incorcalming interior backdrop. Whether using a bold, emerald lows and area rugs — with with a medium-green hue, shades of blue an accenting it

green will ensure the interior space projects a clean, fresh feeling.

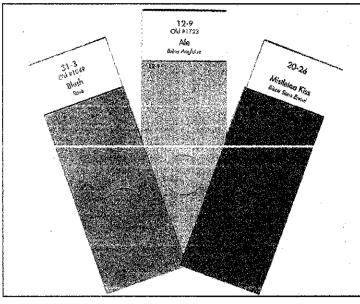
 Integrating color schemes from nature into the decor doesn't necessarily mean the inside of a home needs to look identical to the outdoor landscaping. Bringing the outdoors inside can also be accomplished by using more natural, earth tone colors found in nature. A home can easily be turned into a calming sanctuary by drawing color inspirations from the likes of bamboo and cork, then pairing them with bright red ac-

• Imagine the cool, spring porated inside and used as a air blowing off the lake or ocean. Now, translate that emotion into the decor. To turn paint color, or prefer to make a a room into a relaxing, seaside more subdued impression retreat, consider using deep



with a cool, neutral color.

· Lighter shades of pink, blue, yellow and green can be found throughout springtime decorations. To make a lasting impression try carrying those colors over into the decor by using a mint shade or a delicate pink to transform any room in a home into a cheery



and welcoming space.

With so many paint color options available, and so much color inspiration to draw from, it's never been easier to bring a home's interior back to life

after a long winter.

A new coat of paint will make an attractive, inviting home that's freshened up for spring and all the seasons to

Ceramic tile style guide

things people recognize when glaze is what's applied to the entering a home. Whether it's to make sure they're not wearing shoes in a "no shoe" zone or if they are just making a mental note about a bare floor flooring as well. Just make that's especially appealing, a sure the finish you use isn't home's floors can make quite an impression.

flooring option many homeowners are choosing is ceramused to lean toward conservative tile styles and colors, more people are choosing to spice things up with bold tile colors.

For those hoping to make the best decision possible, the following informative style guide should help make the decision process a bit easier.

 Glazed tiles. A mixture of clays pressed into shape. glazed tiles are the most stan-

top of the tile before being baked on. Though they're best used on walls, glazed tiles can be and frequently are used for too slippery and won't scratch easily, something glazed tiles One increasingly popular have been known to do when used on countertops.

ic tiling. While homeowners a broad classification, quarry tile is distinct in both color and in that it is never glazed. Typically deep red in color, quarry tile is a mixture of clays that's especially suitable for interior floors thanks to its porous nature. While they can be left unsealed, unsealed tiles have been known to stain, so sealing is recommended.

 Mosaic tile. Unlike glazed tiles where the color does not go all the way through, mosaic of your home looks.

Floors are one of the first dard type of ceramic tile. The tiles are made with color pigments so the color does go all the way through, meaning a chipped or cracked tile won't have the top color and then the inside color revealed on the crack. Mosaic tiles are also useful for just about any surface, as they're hard to chip or crack as well as stain-proof and resistant to moisture.

> Premium tiles or look · Quarry tile. Though this is alikes. Though not ceramic, slate, marble, granite, and limestone can all be used to make beautiful tiles by simply cutting them into thin pieces and installing them just as you would a ceramic tile. However, these can be expensive, and thanks to that you'll want an experienced professional to install them.

> > Whether patterned or not, tile floors can go a long way in determining how the interior

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It's spring — time for home maintenance

By Sarah Welch and Alicia Rockmore Special Writers

Now that spring is here, it is time to ensure your home stays well maintained.

While a top to bottom inspection is required every spring and fall to check for any damage and prepare for the upcoming months, it is important to think of this as a yearround necessity.

It might seem difficult to fit home maintenance inspections into an already busy schedule, the voice of Benjamin Franklin still rings true: "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." What costs you a hundred dollars today might end up costing you thousands later if rain or wind or sun damage compounds a problem.

Keeping a home in great condition does not just keep its value, it increases it. Making sure no moisture is allowed inside the walls keeps mold from building up.



Keeping leaky faucets from dripping keeps the finish in the tub and sinks from eroding. You can get closer to your asking price when potential buyers see that you have maintained your house with great detail while other sellers have

Keeping your home in great working order can seem incredibly daunting. Break the job into monthly parts. Schedule to drain the hot water heater in February and tackle the gutters in April. Clean the dryer vent in May and change the batteries in the

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smoke detectors in July. The chinks in that armor that will added benefit is that you are aware of how the home is being maintained throughout the year, which will allow you to catch any new problems at their inception.

The following tips will help with the essential needs:

1) Protecting all the items the roof and the basement first. Check the vents, skylights and splash blocks as well as the tiles for any leaks. Keep the gutters clean.

Check to see if any moisture is seeping in around the foun-

lead to leaks. If you have a basement, just the fact of standing water should be enough to send up a warning signal.

2) Have the tools needed for minor repairs. The good news is that you can get that set for \$200 or loss. Get a toolbox and within the home is job No. 1. fill it with a hammer, a pry bar, Therefore, you need to check vise grips, regular and needlenose pliers, a set of screwdrivers, tape measure, a level, a 3/8-inch reversible drill with bits and a utility knife. Wear

safety glasses. 3) Jobs should fall into three categories: What you can do, dation or if there are any what a handyman can do and

those that you need a specialist/contractor. There is no way to prescribe these categories for you as everyone has a different level of ability. But even if you feel that simple jobs are outside your range, you can learn from the person you hire. Pay attention and ask questions. Then, next time, vou can do it yourself.

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Latest trends add outdoor style

More homeowners are turning their attention to the outdoor areas of their homes.

The American Society of Landscape Architects reports today's homeowners are thinking bigger than basic outdoor kitchens and are building entire great rooms, including living rooms, dining rooms and full kitchens.

Just as they would when decorating indoors, homeowners are incorporating the latest trends in these new outdoor living areas.

signer trends today's homeowners are clamoring to implement:

· After years of blending earth tones with the outdoors, designers are incorporating color into the exterior. Colored glass is being used as an alternative to mulch and stone, and colored concrete is being applied in benches, pavers, fencing and related products. Bigger, bolder flowers are making a statement, as are landscape lighting pieces.

 Homeowners are looking for new ways to showcase

for their dual use, lighted urns are turning heads as an innovative way to showcase flowers and add light to the exterior.

· Green living is more than a trend — it's a way of life. As they spend more time outdoors, homeowners are applying environmentally friendly practices here too.

"Many homeowners find themselves outdoors at night, as they settle in after work and through entertain the evening," says Jeff Dross, Kichler Lighting senior product manager. "Since they're outdoor table placements, canoutside past dusk, they're leaving their landscape lighting on for extended periods.

· America's love of butterflies has grown to new heights with butterfly themed products across a variety of fashion and decor lines. Butterflies are setting the stage outdoors with butterfly inspired chimineas, stepping stones and lighting fixtures.

· Teak has found wide-

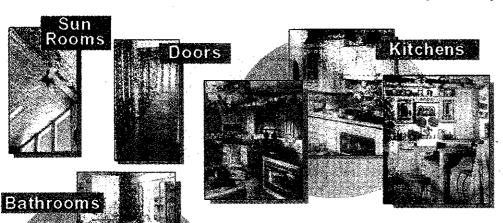
spread popularity in outdoor furniture applications, as the wood is known for its durability and natural oils. Suitable for outdoor use, teak continues to emerge in complementary products

 Homeowners combine official plant of the second o indoors, and those techniques are being applied outdoors as well. Patterns from outdoor furniture cushions are being carried over to complementary dles and other accents. Some companies offer a family of complementary pieces.

As homeowners make over their outdoor living spaces, designers are encouraging them to make a statement by drawing on the latest trends. These influences will bring them more enjoyment in the outdoors, add timeless appeal and may very well make their yard the talk of the town.



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Tips for painting your home's exterior

Painting a house's exterior rusted or discolored. can be a big job, with a big re-

Before starting, homeowner's need to make some critical choices — whether doing the job themselves or hiring a painter.

paint peeling, bubbling, cracking or fading, damaged wood or siding that is becoming

"If you value design on the exterior as you do the interior, you may want to paint to introduce more modern colors," says Art Noparstak, senior brand manager of Exterior Paint for Valspar paint. "This Plan for new paint if you see can be part of remodeling before you sell a home or when you simply want to keep pace with changing times.

"As a cost-savings feature, painting siding that is in good condition can save thousands of dollars when compared to replacing it."

There are many things to consider, such as color combinations and paint sheen. Consider the type of material being painted, the quantity of paint needed and what tools to

The most important part of ters, etc. painting is preparation. Make sure all surfaces are properly cleaned, repaired and free of dirt, chalk, mildew and loose, flaking and peeling paint. Depending upon the surface's condition and what is currently on it, a primer may be needed. For more help, talk with the paint expert at your local home center or hardware

Choose paint with a flat finish to hide imperfections. Flat paint is typically used for the main surface of your home.

Satin paint has a low sheen providing an all-purpose finish, and can be used for the main surface and other surfaces. Satin paints are great for aluminum siding and vinyl siding because they replicate the original factory finish.

Semi-gloss paint provides a shinier finish and is used mostly for doors, trim, shut-

Paints with lifetime guarantees will withstand the elements longer than lower quality paints. Spending a bit more for high quality paint is well worth it to protect the exterior of your home.

Water-based paints — latex,



acrylic - can be used on most surfaces. They are easier to apply and clean and emit less odor. The highest quality water-based paints will have "100 percent acrylic" on the label.

Oil-based paints should be great option.

used when repainting over oilbased paint.

Once the type of paint for the project is decided, move on to choosing a color scheme.

"It's fun to think of your house as a large package. The color outside is the wrapping and the interior holds the gifts," says Ann McGuire, founder of Beehive Studios and color consultant to Valspar. "Is your interior warm and cozy? Then a cooler tone could be a nice contrast on the outside."

Finally, consider your surroundings. You don't want to be the house standing out for the wrong reasons. You don't have to match your neighbors, just harmonize with them. If other houses are painted in warm natural tones don't introduce loud, garish colors.

"Grasping colors from the nature around your home is a

Energy-efficient ways to design with light

lighting for the home often in- cluding a formal dinner, a famivolved compromises between ly get-together and activities achieving the desired ambience and saving energy.

Incandescent light bulbs provide warm illumination combined with the flexibility of dimmers. Unfortunately, these reading. lamps are very inefficient bad for the electric bill as well as the environment. Compact fluorescent lamps represent a don't always give the desired lighting effect and are often incompatible with dimming sys-

in a typical home:

Kitchen — The kitchen is a gathering place for family and friends. Therefore, lighting needs to be both comfortable and functional.

• Dining room — Requires a mix of general, task and accent lighting that can set the mood

such as homework.

• Bedroom — Lighting should create an overall atmosphere of relaxation, while providing some task lighting for

• Living/family room — General lighting should be sufficient for entertaining and watching television, task lightmore efficient alternative, but ing must be provided for reading or hobbies and accent lighting to spotlight artwork and other features.

To help homeowners meet Consider the lighting needs these needs and save energy, a new kind of lamp has recently been introduced to the market. Based on halogen technology, these lamps offer more than 30 percent energy savings compared to incandescent lamps and sport a much longer life. Going green

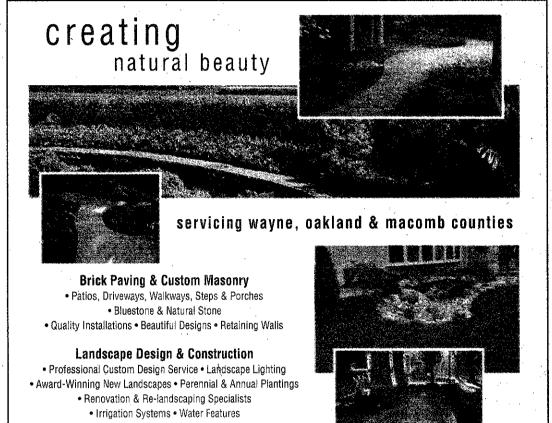
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Until recently, choosing for a number of functions, in- efficiency, halogen lamps, known as the Halogena Energy Saver, was introduced by Philips Lighting Company in 2007 and is currently the only mass-market, nonfluorescent product able to meet the new federal lighting efficiency standards that will take effect

> They are long lasting, mercury-free and versatile, easily fitting into most incandescent fixtures inside and outside the home. They "turn on" immediately and are fully dimmable, enabling a homeowner to create the right mood and ambience for any occasion.

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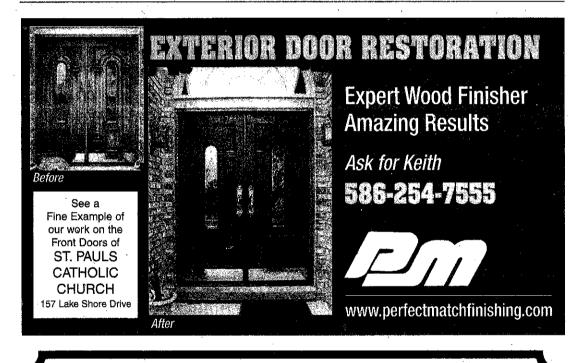


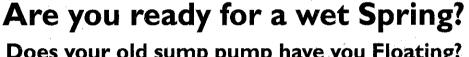
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Storage solutions for crafters

By Sandi Genovese **Special Writers**

Everyone I know is trying to find enough time in the day to get everything done and still carve out a little time to express their creativity.

time. Whether you're a scrapbooker, card maker, quilter or painter; organization is key. With proper organization you can take advantage of even the smallest chunk of free time,

of that time creating rather the need for labels. than gathering up supplies from around the house.

There are many everyday products that can be transformed into storage containers for many craft supplies:

 Paint cans are inexpensive Unfortunately, it's all about and make great storage containers for everything from punches to binding rings recently. Paint cans have been turning up in craft and container stores with clear, acrylic bodies, making it easy to see

· Plastic pill storage containers are perfect for storing small items such as colored brads. Drill a tiny hole in the lid of each segment and attach a brad that signals what color or shape is inside.

· Garage tool chests are available in home improvement stores and can be used to hold any number of small embellishments. I use mine to hold all different styles and colors of alphabet letters. And since the drawers are made of

> a clear plastic, it's easy to see what is inside.

Book shelves are convenient for storing full-sized paper sheets vertically, and I use hanging files to store paper scraps that are divided by color. It's easy to coordinate colored papers with matching colored which files. makes it easy to

ment's notice. Cosmetic travel bags provide super storage for smaller tools such as scissors, tweezers, rulers,

scraps at a mo-

find

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craft knives, adhesives and other often used items such as a camera and memory cards. Traditionally, they fold up when closed and have a loop at the top, making it easy to hang on a wall or closet door

 Baskets are easy to find at import stores and are great for holding stickers or other craft store them safely as well.

when not in use.

items that are frequently used. • Photo storage is impor-

Color coordinate and label files when putting them on the shelf so they will be easier to find.

tant. Exposure to sun or humidity can damage photos. It's a good idea to store them in acid-free containers that are designed specifically for that purpose. If your photos are digital, you may also want to download them onto CDs and

If you look around your house, you're likely to come up with a lot of storage solu-

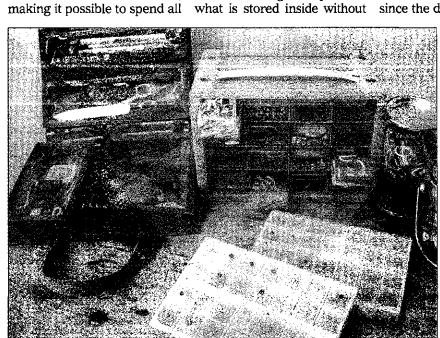
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Use tool chests, travel bags, pill containers or old jars with the lids to store art supplies.

Deck care 101: It's all in the preparation

As the weather gets warmer, preparation. we tend to spend more time outdoors. There is no better place to sit and enjoy the great spring weather than on your deck. The key to keeping your deck looking great for years is not in the stain or finish you low these tips from the experts

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shrubs. If you're not sure of store wood to its natural beau- agents and thickeners that ty without bleaching or yellowing and remove invisible surface barriers, which can prevent the adhesion of protective coatings and stains. These fast-acting formulas loosen your deck has been properly and lift dirt, stains and discoloration in about 10 minutes. and protect it with a water-re-

> garden hose. Strip away deteriorating or such as Wolman F&P to enunwanted finishes. If the col- hance the beauty of your deck. ored finish on your deck has
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> Even if you decide not to seen better days, or if you stain, it's important to protect want a different look, remove it with a product such as repellent sealer. Water repel-Wolman DeckStrip Stain & Finish Remover. For tough to remove 100 percent acrylic stains, use Wolman DeckStrip ASR Acrylic Stain Remover. Both remove oil- and waterbased solid, semi-transparent and clear finishes, and prepare wood for a new finish or stain. The ready-to-use, highly concentrated formulas work in about 15 minutes without the

cling to all wood surfaces even vertical surfaces — so they are great for fences, gazebos, play sets and more.

Beautify and protect. Once cleaned and restored, beautify And they are easy to use - pellent coating. Apply a semijust mix with water, spray on, transparent or solid stain such brush in and rinse off with a as Wolman DuraStain, or a rich transparent oil finish,

> your deck with a clear water lent sealers stop rain from penetrating the wood surface, which can cause swelling, shrinking, warping and cracking. Many water repellent sealers, including Wolman RainCoat, also contain a mildewcide that will impede the growth of mildew on your deck during the warm, humid months ahead.

Surface preparation is a key need for multiple applications. component of deck mainte-They contain special wetting nance.



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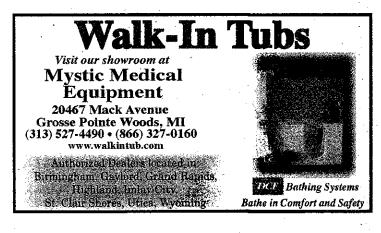
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Installing a shower stall

House Call By Ed Del Grande

Q. I'm installing a custom tile shower stall and had planned on using a rubber membrane with thinset mortar for the shower base. Then, I was going to tile over the cement floor.

But, now that I'm working on the base it seems to be getting very complicated as to how the drain will attach to the membrane, how to angle the mortar and how to properly tile around the drain. I am stopping this work until I have more information. Can you help?

- Jack from Michigan

A. You are a smart person. When you are not sure of a project, stop before you get into trouble and get some good information. Hopefully, I can give you some good and useful information right now. The type of shower pan you are trying to install is commonly called a "mud" base shower stall. It usually consists of a liner that is made with prefabricated copper or a rubber membrane.

The shower drain will usually attach with a special type of compression flange that will meet your local codes. The drain strainer is also adjustable to match the mortar level of your shower base and the thickness of the mortar is usually in the 3- to 4-inch range.

tained by the copper or rubber job right.

The advantage of a mud- is a job best left to the pros be- in place of a mud shower pan. base shower is you can have a cause it is very involved and tile floor since the water is con-requires a lot of skill to do the



membrane liner, not the tile

Another alternative for you and grout itself. The disadvan- to try is a fiberglass showertage to a mud base is that this stall base that can be installed

A prefabricated resin base can be purchased at your local supply house or home center and basically it's ready to go out of the box. Most will use a standard PVC shower flange drain that is pretty easy to install. Follow the manufacturer's instructions, and by using a pre-made fiberglass or resinbased bottom only for your shower, you will still be able to have a tiled shower surround for the walls and ceiling. Sometimes all it takes is a

simple idea to make a complicated shower problem wash itself away.

Q. When I turn on my hot water it runs brown for a while then clears up. What should I have checked?

Mike from Florida

A. Older galvanized steel water lines can cause rusty water, but more pressing may be a water heater problem, and you want to have that checked as soon as possible before the tank springs a leak. Rusty water is not the norm for properly installed plumbing systems, and just like a warning flag take this as a serious signal of a potential problem that has to be addressed immediately.

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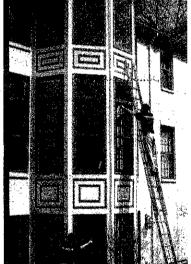
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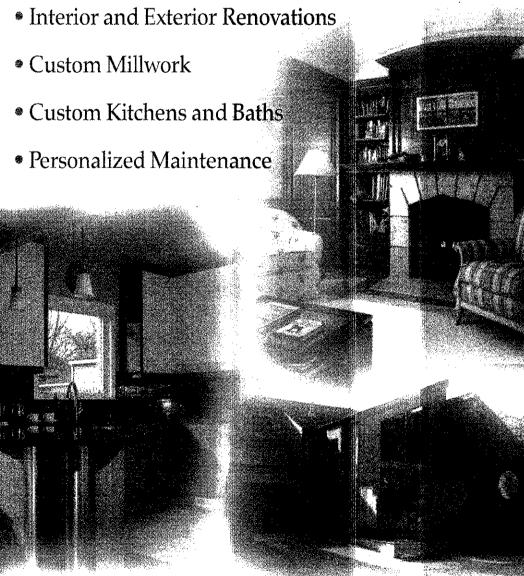
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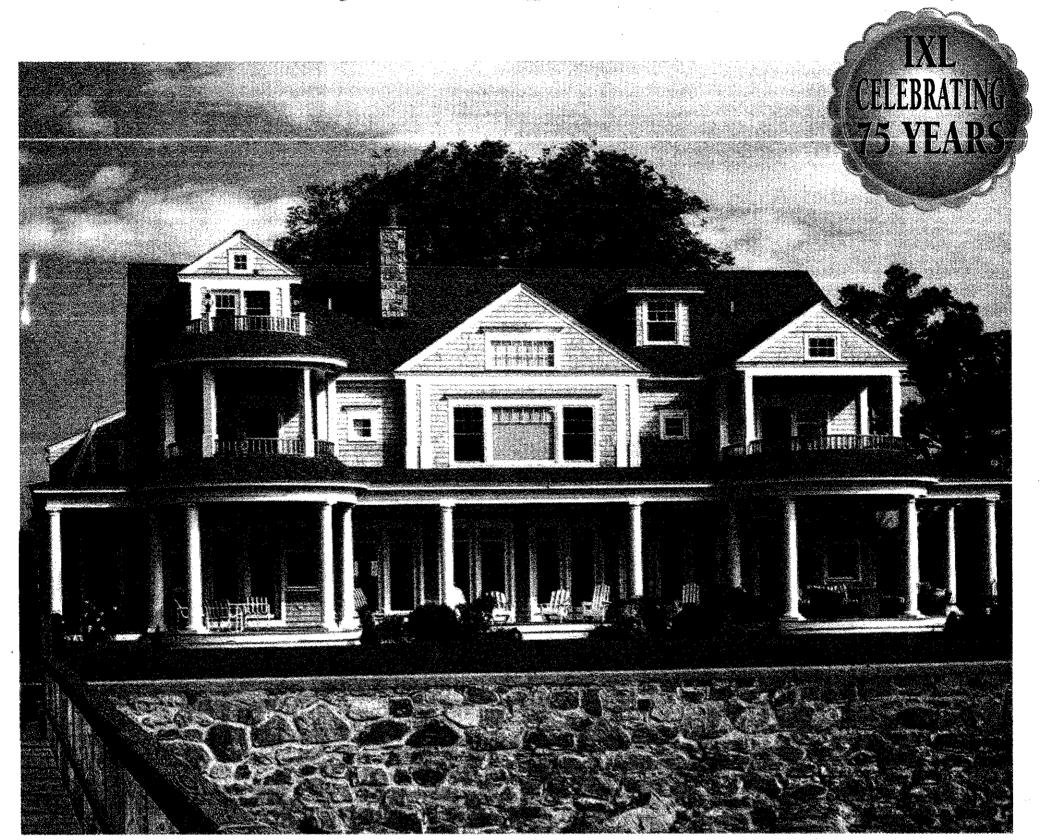
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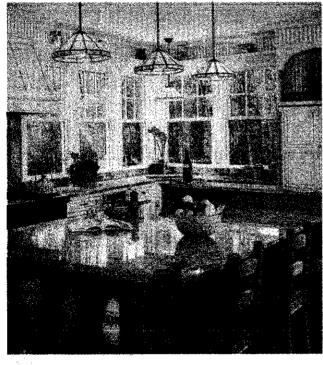


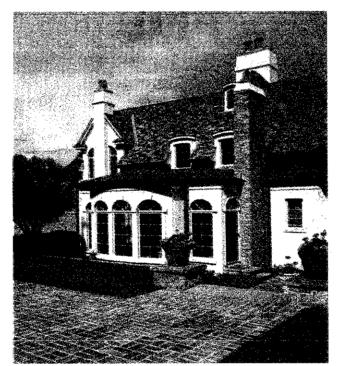


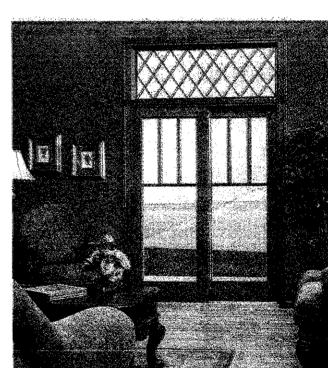
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