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♦ A free healthy heart check for high school students will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Beaumont St. Clair Shores Family Medicine Center. Registration is required. For more information, call (248) 551-1077.

MONDAY, MARCH 23

♦ City of Grosse Pointe Park council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.
♦ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe North High School library.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

♦ The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts an after hours meeting at 5:30 p.m. at Denyse & Company Interior Design Center, 20419 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Bring business cards.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

♦ Representatives of local preschools will be at an informational program from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, corner of Mack and Vernier. For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 206.
♦ Lori Warner, director of HOPE Center, Beaumont Center for Human Development, Berkley, will discuss "Assessing and Addressing Autism" from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Connelly auditorium, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux. The session is free. For more information, call (313) 432-3832.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

♦ A 10-week course in French will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at The Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Classes are designed for the beginner/intermediate, intermediate/advanced and teens. The cost is \$80. For more information, call (248) 565-1957 or e-mail president@af-grossepointe.org.
♦ Local Business Networks, Grosse Pointe Chapter, meets from 8 to 9:15 a.m. at the AAA Michigan office, 19299 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For more information, call (586) 206-4958.

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PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

State champs

Above, Grosse Pointe South High School seniors, from left, Kelsey Burgess, Sarah Auk, C.J. Jarboe, Erin Shook and Kathryn Repicki display the state championship trophy, which is the second consecutive year the team has won the title. Below, Grosse Pointe South High School senior Jordan Long repeated as state diving champion during last weekend's Division 2 championship meet. See additional stories in Section C.

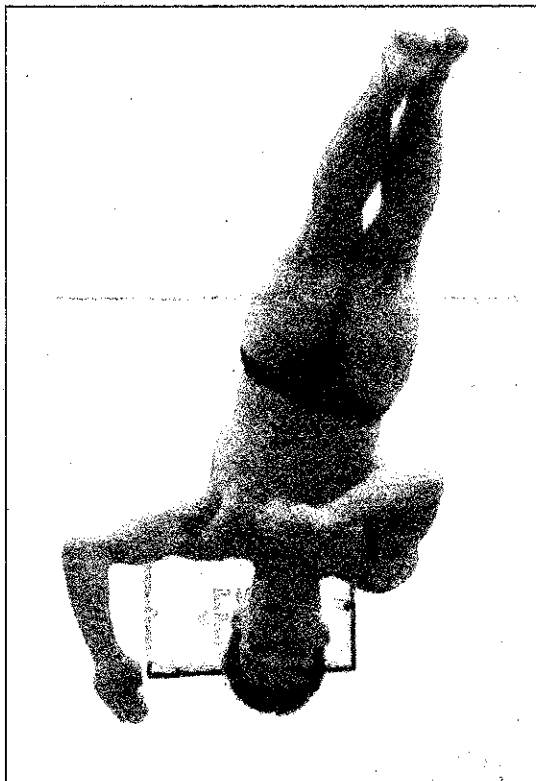


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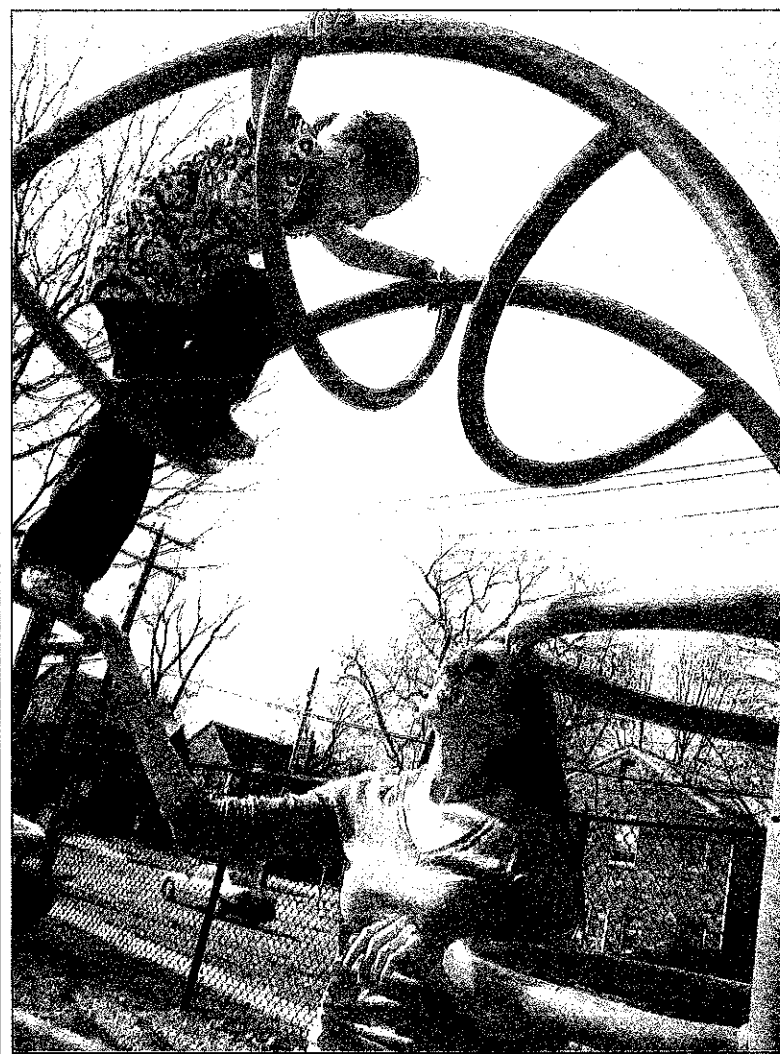


PHOTO BY JOE WARNER

O'fun!

Pamela Jamieson of Grosse Pointe Farms enjoys St. Patrick's Day with her 4-year-old daughter, Maeve, at the Richard Elementary School playground. Temperatures climbed into the mid-60s on the Irish holiday, prompting plenty of people to head outdoors. The weather is expected to be more seasonal with temperatures in the 40s into the weekend.

Stimulus to pay for road work

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Money issued through the federal stimulus package will fund all construction costs to resurface St. Clair from Waterloo to Mack.

"Unlike typical federally funded (resurfacing) projects, which require the municipality to pay 20 percent of the construction, this federal program will cover 100 percent of construction costs," said Paul Weitzel, City of Grosse Pointe public service director.

Stimulus package or not, there's no such thing as a free lunch. Although \$360,000 is being provided for construction, the city will be responsible for paying all costs for engineering, inspections, testing and administration.

"Estimated engineering-related costs to the city is expected to be \$78,690," said Weitzel.

Work on St. Clair is expected to begin in time for completion this fall.

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GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Detroit Water gets contract

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods will stick with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department for another 30 years.

The city council voted Monday, March 16, to have city officials enter into a 30-year agreement with the Detroit system.

The unanimous vote came after an in-depth cost analysis was presented by the city's financial adviser, Michael Gormley, on the two options the Woods was wrestling with: to stay with the Detroit system, or leave Detroit in favor of connecting with the Grosse Pointe Farms municipal system.

In the end, the cost of going with Grosse Pointe Farms, an estimated \$14 million, was deemed too high, and the council voted in favor of staying with Detroit.

"We have a responsibility to look at the numbers and to do what is in the best interests of our residents," said Mayor Robert Novitke. "I just feel we would be throwing away \$14 million."

The Woods will proceed to build a water reservoir and pumping station, at a cost of \$2 million, which will allow the city to store water for use during high-demand times, which would help

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POINTER OF INTEREST

'We live in a country that's so great.'

Ken Roach

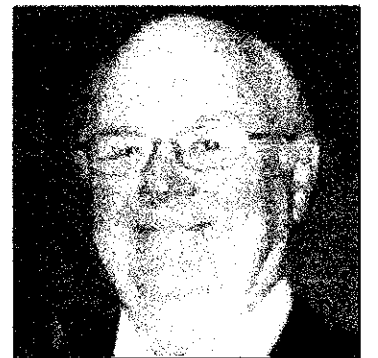
Home: Grosse Pointe Shores

Age: 81

Family: Wife, Helen; children, Colleen, Maureen, Kathleen, Eileen, Heleen, Ken and Dan; 15 grandchildren

Claim to fame: Traveled the world in search of special woods.

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Yesterday's headlines

1959

50 years ago this week

◆ **GALE FORCE WINDS RIP INTO POINTES:** A Grosse Pointe Woods man narrowly escaped serious injuries and possible death, when gale-force winds uprooted a tree which fell on his car as he sat in the vehicle.

The tree crashed down onto the trunk of his car as he was stopped at Torrey and Mack. He was taken to the hospital and treated for shock. The wind, reported to have reached a velocity of up to 78 miles per hour, blew out windows, tore off roofs, and downed wires.

◆ **GPHS BACK TO NORMAL AFTER BLACK FRIDAY:** Activity returned to normal at Grosse Pointe High School after a minor disturbance that ended almost as quietly and abruptly as it began.

A small group of high school seniors demonstrated in protest over a decision to hold senior class activities at locations contrary to the wishes of the rebelling minority. A handful of the 518 graduating seniors showed up for classes wearing all black and later made an effort to hang in effigy the high school principal, Jerry J. Gerich.

The ruckus developed when the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Center reported to school officials that, because of the size of the class, its facilities could not accommodate the annual pre-prom dinner, scheduled in May. The Mother's Club sought unsuccessfully to find another location and announced the banquet would be held in the high school's gym.

The small group of senior rebels irked by this ruling made plans for the "mourning clothes" demonstration.

◆ **SHORES VOTERS OK BOND ISSUES:** Shores voters approved two separate public improvement bond issues. The first is for \$140,000 to boost the Village's water supply and the other is for \$50,000 for the cost of a new garage construction to house police cars and public works equipment and materials.

Riley's announcement last week that she will seek her party's nomination for the state Supreme Court at the GOP convention in September.

◆ **TWO MORE MANSIONS MAY FALL:** Developers recently purchased the J.B. Ford estate on Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park and will present a residential development site plan to the city's planning commission later this month.

Windemere Place developer's were meeting last week to decide the fate of the Webber estate, property adjacent to the Windemere development. The developers said they were deciding whether to keep the house in some form or remove it to allow building of more cluster homes.

1999

10 years ago this week

◆ **WOODS REJECTS REZONING:** The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council decided that a proposed medical office building at the site of the demolished gas station on Cook Road and Mack was too much for the neighborhood. The council rejected a rezoning request that would have conditionally changed some residential property into a parking lot. The developer of the 6,900 square foot building will review the situation.

◆ **SCHOOLS WIN FUNDING:** Grosse Pointe public schools and the Grosse Pointe Academy received federal funds and discounts from suppliers to improve telecommunication services and Internet access.

◆ **BREAK-IN LEADS TO CAR CHASE:** A Grosse Pointe Farms man suspected of repeatedly breaking into his former employer's business on the Hill was caught after police from two departments teamed up to track him down. A Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officer on routine patrol noticed a man wearing a dark hat and clothes crouching near the



FROM THE MARCH 19, 1959 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1959: Will the water rise?

Boat owners and commercial boat yard operators are worried about the current low water levels of the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair. Why is plainly shown in this photo of the canal east of Windmill Point Yacht Club. The black stuff is mud and there wasn't enough water to float a paper boat. A report from the Lakes Survey Department promises the water will come back, but will be eight tenths of a foot below the June 1958 level.

back door of a store on the Hill. When the suspect saw the officer, he ran to his car and took off. A chase ensued through the Farms, Park and Detroit. While not able to apprehend the driver, officers ran the driver's license plate and picked the suspect up when he returned home a few hours later.

◆ **ADMINISTRATOR:** In a surprise move, Grosse Pointe Woods City Administrator Ted Bidigare was fired last week by four out of seven members of the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council.

Bidigare had come under attack in the past few months after a group of 25 city employees discovered he gave two members of his staff substantial pay raises.

◆ **VOTERS SALVAGE SINKING FUND:** The vote on the sinking fund for mid-range school repairs passed by more than 400 votes. "Yes"

votes totaled 4,064, while those opposing the measure amounted to 3,610.

◆ **DOG BITE:** A Grosse Pointe Woods woman was bit in the buttock by a chow-shepherd mix. The incident took place near Bournemouth and Raymond. The victim said the dog ran after her while she was jogging and then growled at her when she fell after being bit. The dog's owner was issued citations for having a vicious dog and having an animal at large.

— By Karen Fontanive

2004

Five years ago this week

◆ **WOODS FIRES CITY**

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1984

25 years ago this week

◆ **ARCHITECTS COMPETE:** Visitors to Patterson Park in Grosse Pointe Park will soon admire Lake St. Clair while sitting in a vine covered gazebo, thanks to a gift from the estate of Leonard Wileke, a nationally known architect from Grosse Pointe Park.

Forty-three students from the University of Michigan School of Architecture submitted plans. The winning design was that of John Myefski, a 21-year-old senior from Marquette.

◆ **GOP RALLIES BEHIND RILEY:** Local Republicans welcomed Dorothy Comstock

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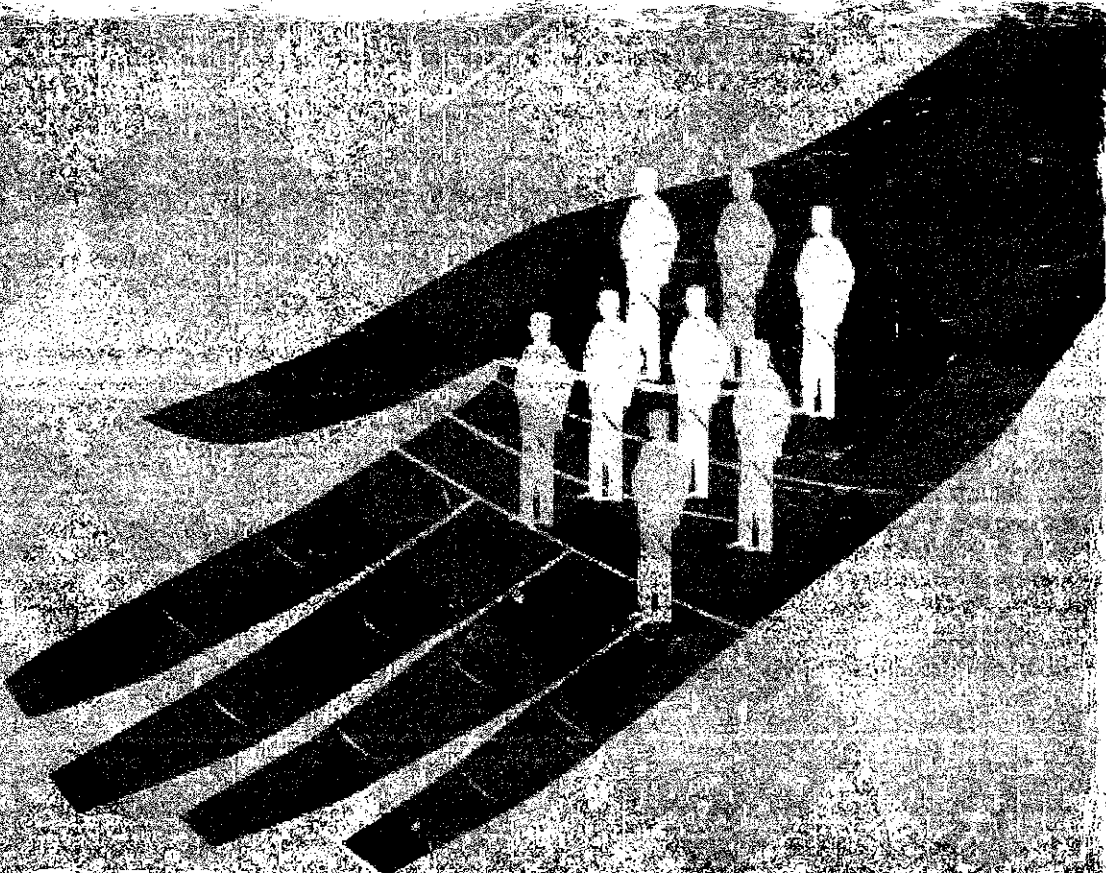
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New book explores local TV news history

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

It's difficult to imagine, in this day of 24-hour cable news channels and Internet blogs, that 50 years ago, people were fascinated with a large box in the corner of their living rooms and the people that inhabited it.

Television was a new phenomenon, and the people involved with it were chartering untested waters, not the least of which involved how.

Local television newscasts were short, concise, and were broadcast from a stage that consisted of oversized microphones and cardboard maps. But those early days of visually delivering the news to Detroit and its growing suburban population are ripe with a colorful history that has itself become the story.

"A Newscast for the Masses," by Grosse Pointe Woods resident Tim Kiska explores the history of Detroit television news. Tracing its beginning on Oct. 23, 1946 when the Detroit Evening News Association put together a three-hour broadcast live from the highest point in Detroit, the attic of the Penobscot Building. From the very first broadcast of WWJ, Kiska gives the reader an inside view of Detroit television and its personalities, both those in front of the camera and those who worked on the business and financial end of the business.

It's a more scholarly view of Detroit television than Kiska had given readers in his earlier book, "From Soupy to Nuts: A History of Detroit Television." It also provides the backdrop



Channel 4's test pattern as seen in Tim Kiska's "A Newscast for the Masses, The History of Detroit Television News."

for a new exhibit at The Detroit Historical Museum, "Detroit's Classic TV Personalities," that opens March 14.

"The historical museum approached me for help with the exhibit, and I was happy to help. So much of Detroit television is tied in with Detroit's history and culture."

Kiska explores the transition from radio news to television news, as well as the role newspapers played in the development of Detroit television, especially the impact that the

1967 Detroit newspaper strike had on the way news and information was transmitted to Detroiters.

"The definitive time for local television news was the period from 1967 to 1968, when three events had a huge impact on Detroit. The first was the riot in 1967, and the way it was covered by Detroit television. The second was the newspaper strike in 1968. It lasted nearly nine months, and there was no other place for Detroiters to get the news other than from radio and television. And it

was also about this time that station owners figured out they could actually make money from news broadcasts.

"You can divide Detroit television news into two stages, pre-riot and post-riot. The stations really got serious about delivering the news. Then the newspaper strike occurred, and nothing was the same after that."

The book is full of familiar names, like Dick Westerkamp, Sonny Eliot, Dwayne X. Riley, Bill Bonds, Dave Diles and Jonn Kelly. But it also explores

the impact of those whose names are not so easily recognized by the viewing public, including James Clark, Phil Nye, and the team of Peter S. Hoffman and Phillip McHugh.

"If you had to name someone responsible for what Detroit television news became, then you would have to name Peter S. Hoffman and Phillip McHugh," said Kiska.

McHugh ran the television division of the Campbell-Ewald Advertising agency, a Detroit-based ad agency that handled the Chevrolet account for several years. In the late 1950's and early 1960's it actually produced variety shows, including "The Dinah Shore Show."

In an anecdote that is not in the book, Kiska explains that McHugh left Campbell-Ewald in a dispute with higher ups because he wanted to cancel "The Dinah Shore Show."

"He tried to tell network and advertising executives that people simply didn't like Dinah Shore, but they wouldn't listen. So he and Hoffman left Campbell-Ewald and formed a new company that would forever change television. Oh, and a year later, Dinah Shore was canceled."

The research consulting firm, McHugh and Hoffman opened an office in Birmingham, and began to work closely with W. Lloyd Warner, a sociologist and the author of "The Social Life of a Modern Community," which focused on social classes.

McHugh and Hoffman applied Warner's work to television ratings, developing a system that ranked not only newscasts but also the people who delivered the news. In a very short time, statistics and

consultants began to shape what nightly newscasts were to become.

It was McHugh, according to Kiska, who recommended to stations the development of a strong news personality to anchor the news. That's why names like Jac LeGoff, John Kelly, Mort Crim and Bill Bonds are as much a part of Detroit's history as Al Kaline and Gordie Howe.

Kiska also traces the evolution of local television as it began to represent the ethnic diversity of the area, and the broader role local news played in the development of the three major television networks, while retaining its own autonomy.

Kiska is the former television writer for The Detroit News. He is an assistant professor of communications at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and a producer and reporter for WWJ radio.

Long a student of local television, Kiska's research for this book found him laboring in dusty archives as well as sitting across from several of the local personalities he writes about.

"Jac LeGoff is still alive, and he lives in the same building as Ernie Harwell does in Farmington," he said with a laugh.

"I have always been endlessly curious about how television news developed," he said. "How did it develop from nothing into the product it has become today? I wrote the book to help answer some of those questions."

"A Newscast for the Masses" is published by Wayne State University Press, and is available at local bookstores and through Amazon.com.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Facility study suggests new police station

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The first thing to come from suggested improvements to the municipal complex on Neff is likely to be a \$56,000 fuel tank from which municipal vehicles can be filled at wholesale rather than retail prices.

The most distant likelihood to arise from the study could be a brand new \$4.5 million public safety headquarters.

Somewhere along the way may come renovated public works, police and fire facilities.

The concepts were detailed this week in a facilities study and space needs assessment commissioned in June by members of the City of Grosse Pointe council.

"We plan to use it as a planning guide," said Peter Dame, city manager.

The report was co-written by Dan Jerome of French Associates Architects and Dan Redstone of Redstone Architects.

Jerome and Redstone consulted city department direc-

tors and other municipal officials to compare current DPW and public safety facilities with projected future demand.

Little money is available to implement the authors' selections, except for piecemeal improvements such as the fuel tank.

"This would result in immediate operational savings by allowing purchase of regular gas at wholesale prices," Dame said.

Also approved were:

- ◆ spending \$5,000 for minor repairs to the public safety building,

- ◆ pursuing energy efficiencies by applying for a state grant made available by the federal stimulus package and

- ◆ pooling the remaining balance in the capital projects fund with money from next year's budget to buy a backup generator.

"As the power shortage this year proved, we need an emergency generator," Dame said.

Other than these incremental actions, the report served as a general guide to achieving increased operational efficien-

cies and security in the public works and safety departments by modernizing their facilities.

Jerome said one of the biggest deficiencies at the current public safety headquarters is "security of staff and officers."

He cited how officers in the first-floor office area share work space with prisoners being booked and transferred to and from the building's single cell.

"We're trying to develop a secure place for officers to deliver and process prisoners," Jerome said.

Cramped fire truck bays leave little room to separate the storage of equipment, evidence and weapons, he said.

Public safety headquarters was designed by Albert Kahn, built in 1924 and expanded in 1994.

The study provided four two-story alternatives to the present 6,924-square-foot building.

Recommended features include more jail cells, an interrogation area, better evidence storage space and more. Options are:

- ◆ A \$2.06 million, 12,320-

- square-foot building with two separate fire bays and a second-floor public lobby.

Advantages of this plan include more space for fire trucks and safer prisoner handling, according to the report. The main disadvantage puts the lobby upstairs.

- ◆ A \$1.68 million, 10,600-square-foot building with a first-floor public lobby and a single fire bay in which fire trucks park one behind the other.

Advantages include more space and safer logistics. Drawbacks include less room for detectives and a cramped

"We're trying to develop a secure place for officers to deliver and process prisoners."

DAN JEROME,
French Associates Architects

GROSSE POINTE PARK

Police investigate assault, consider charges

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

The assault of a man by several youth on a Grosse Pointe Park street corner could net charges.

Public Safety officials concluded their investigation of the incident that occurred at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13. It has not been determined if charges will be filed.

The incident took place at the corner of Yorkshire and St. Paul.

Police Chief David Hiller said he is aware of the many rumors surrounding the month-old incident, but the rumors had no effect on his department's investigation.

While refusing to elaborate, Hiller added, "I've heard the stories, I've heard the rumors. None are true, and this department works on facts. We can't respond until a determination has been made as to whether charges will be filed."

"We have identified all the parties involved, and have interviewed all the parties involved," Hiller said. "We have conducted a lengthy and full investigation. We have gone as far as we can with the investigation. We are at that point in time where we either present all the facts to the prosecutor's office, or we resolve the matter with the parties involved."

While declining to provide specific details of the incident

because no charges have been filed, Hiller did acknowledge that an assault did occur on an "older" Park resident, but added that there are charges that the youths were assaulted as well.

"There have been allegations of assault on a number of parties," he said.

Hiller also said that while

medical units responded to the Park resident, witnesses to the incident provided police with the license number of the car involved, which had left the scene by the time police arrived. "Apprehension of the suspects was done in a normal police manner, by witnesses providing the license plate number," Hiller said.

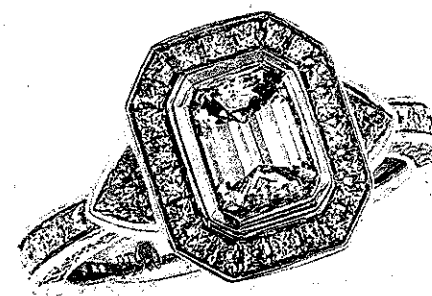
Corrections

- ◆ Chris Blake and his in-house design team at the Blake Company on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms designed and built the commu-

nity center at Farms Pier Park.

- ◆ Lynn Maslowski was the photographer of the Monkey Jacket photo published in the Feb. 5 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

From the jungles of Malaysia to the beaches of Bali, business took **Ken Roach** around the world. He shared those experiences with his family to ensure they appreciated all they had.

Travels create thanks, respect

By Karen Fontanive
Staff writer

Having traveled to 61 of the world's 190 plus countries and six of its territories, Grosse Pointe Shores resident Ken Roach is a veritable travelogue. Business ventures took the retired co-owner of McCausey Lumber in Detroit and McCathay Lumber in Chicago and several other wood-importing businesses around the globe. His outgoing personality engaged others and gave him the stories that turned a routine business career into a fascinating life.

The early years

Getting to where he is now was a somewhat circuitous route for Roach, who explains his life with humor and humility. "I'd skip school and go to the movies. I'd go to the Time Theater to watch movies with exotic locales. One day Mother asked if I was going to school and . . .," Roach trailed off. She told him he had to enlist in the U.S. Navy.

So, at 16, he dropped out of school and entered the military. He served from 1944 to 1946 in the Pacific as a helmsman on a minesweeper. Realizing he needed an education to accomplish what he wanted in life, he re-enrolled in school after returning from service and used the G.I. Bill to graduate from the University of Detroit.

He met his wife, Helen, in 1948 at a Sunday night dance at the Vanity Ballroom. They married in 1952. ("I married the right girl with a good sense of humor," he says proudly.) That same year, Roach joined his father-in-law's business — manufacturing wood box crates for storage and shipping.

"I never found box crates that exciting," said Roach. But with seven children in 10 years and attending law school classes at night, the business was good to him.

The business expands

In 1970, Roach and his

brother-in-law, Jim Gilleran, took over and expanded the business.

It was in the early 1980s when Roach and his wife took a trip to Finland to negotiate for material for concrete forms that "a light went on. It was like wow! There's more to this business," said Roach.

While in Finland, Roach saw 40-foot sheets of plywood — a manufacturing process not done anywhere else in the world at that time — so he brought it here. "It was interesting and exciting," said Roach and so began his quest for unique woods and manufacturing processes.

"One thing led to another and we contracted with companies in Germany, South America, Singapore, Hong Kong. We saw some new opportunities," said Roach.

There's the mahogany from the Philippines, South America and Africa used by the automotive companies in car modeling, the birch veneer from Russia used for fire-rated doors, the teak from Thailand for use in boat making and of course the 40-foot sheets of plywood from Finland used for scaffolding that started the whole business. There are now three different companies with offices in the United States, Hong Kong and Singapore. And, family is still involved including Gilleran, both of Roach's sons and one daughter.

A life of wonder and faith

Roach took advantage of his business travels to learn about the world and people around him. The personable Roach could engage just about anyone in conversation — and did. On planes and trains and in airports and hotels, he met many famous people from Joe Louis to Danny Thomas.

He recalls a train ride in Finland and a lengthy and involved conversation with a fellow traveler. "She was so interesting and fascinating," said Roach. It was when the ride

ended, he found out he was discussing world and everyday topics with Elisabeth Kübler-Ross, renowned psychiatrist and author of "On Death and Dying."

While the people he met and the extraordinary sites he saw — monkeys running through the jungles of Malaysia, elephants pushing wood down the river in Thailand — left their good impressions, there was plenty he saw that made him thankful for the life he leads and that he wanted his family to understand.

"We live in a country that's so great. People don't know the poverty. You'd think your eyes were being tricked when you'd look up in a tree and see a mother holding a baby. They'd put a piece of plywood up there for a floor, and that was their house," recounted Roach.

"Things like that reminded



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE ROACH FAMILY

Above: Ken Roach at the Port of Helsinki in Finland oversees the loading of his cargo for shipment to the U.S.

Left: Roach enjoys a street-side snack in the Philippines.

Below: Conducting business throughout the world gave Roach the opportunity to enjoy the sights of his travels. Here he stands by a windmill in Holland.

me to be thankful for being born in the United States and for all that I have."

In fact, Roach counts the best part of his career as being able to show his children the world.

"Most rewarding was traveling with my children worldwide and sharing these experiences with them," said Roach. "I had the opportunity to travel with each child on-on-one. That was the best reward."

Roach would expose his children to the harsh realities of life, but also the beauty of the world from Bali to Rio de Janeiro.

"My kids would see how people toil in factories for \$1,200 a year, but then we also figured out they do know how to have fun."

With understated aplomb, he recounts how these experiences shaped his children and are shaping their children. All of his children are entrepreneurs like himself. His daughter, Maureen, studied abroad when she was in college and now her daughter is studying in Africa.




"Ken just has a good outlook on life. He enjoys every day. He sees the sun shine," said his wife, Helen. "It's nice to be around people like that. He can't be depressed because he's seen enough around the world."

In his retirement, Roach enjoys golfing, playing bridge and attending the theater. His travel continues, but now it is to see his grandchildren who live throughout the United States, including the two youngest re-

cently adopted from Guatemala.

"My favorite saying is 'Thank you, Jesus,'" said Roach. "Thank you, God for choosing me to live this life. How lucky I am."



Mr. & Mrs. Peter Anthony Dow


Pete and Jane (nee Ottaway) Dow of Grosse Pointe Farms will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on March 21, 2009.

The couple were married at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

A small dinner with family will be held at The Key Largo Anglers Club in Key Largo, Florida.

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Park writer pens romance with a high-tech angle

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Ann Tracy Marr has taken Jane Austen high-tech.

The Grosse Pointe Park resident has just published her latest book, a Regency romance titled, "To His Mistress." And while her story is set in the era and style of Jane Austen, the book is definitely a part of the 21st century, as it is being published as an e-book, with Kindle and iPod reading in mind.

"The book is sold as a file, suitable for downloading to a Kindle or a computer or even a cell phone," Marr, 53, explained. "That makes e-books unique," Marr said. "When you have a 'paper' book, it

goes out to a book store, sits on the shelf for a while, then at some point, it's removed to make room for other 'paper' books. But e-books are available literally forever."

"To His Mistress" is third in a series of romances Marr has written, that includes her first book, "Round Table Magician," published in 2007 and "Thwarting Magic," published in 2008. Regency romance identifies a genre of writing that is set during the English Regency period of the early 19th century. Written in the style of Jane Austen and Georgette Heyer, the books can be also be described as historical fiction, as they draw on events, manners and customs from that period. But there's a

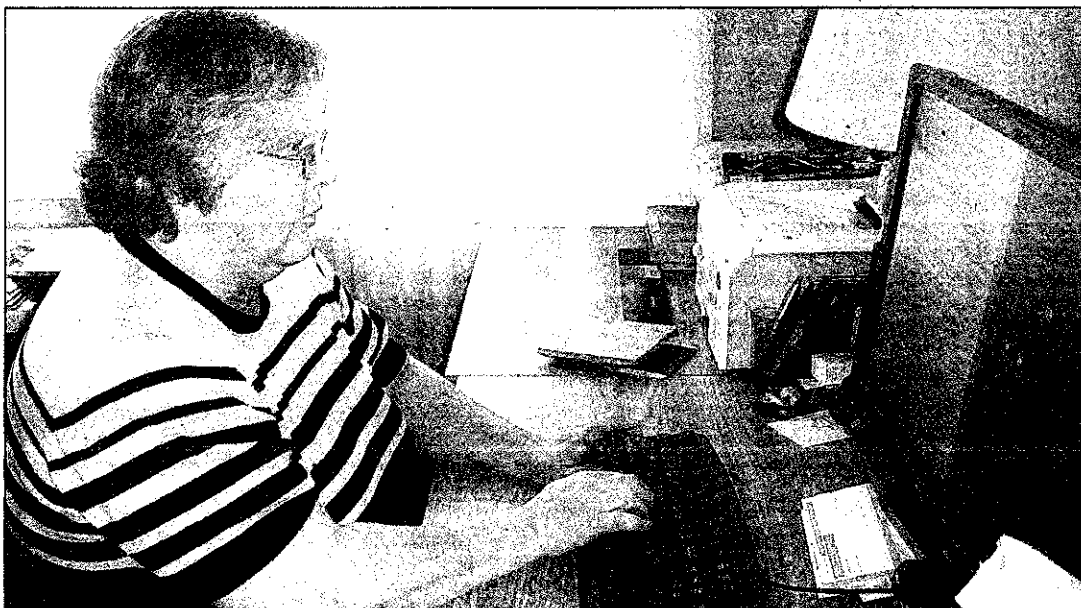


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Ann Tracy Marr writes Regency romance novels.

definite twist.

"I use magic and magicians," said Marr with a mischievous grin. "There are characters in my books that are magicians, in the way Merlin from Camelot used magic. It adds fantasy and comical twists. I like to call my books Regency fantasy romances."

She admits she has never read a Harry Potter book, but laughs at the suggestion that her books, with magicians, might be considered Harry Potter books for grownups. "You might say that," she said.

Marr has always had an interest in history, not to mention the Regency romance genre.

"I like history, and I have read many Regency romances. I always thought it was such a romantic period. The long dresses, the exquisite manners, the heroes are hunky, the heroines don't consider themselves pretty. I stay true to the genre and the era, but I also have introduced fantasy with the magicians. I'm writing stories no one else has written."

And by publishing them for devices like the Kindle and iPod, she's taken the genre to the next level.

Like most writers, Marr has a few unpublished books on the shelf. One of her favorites is a true story, and part of her own family's history. An interest in genealogy led her to discover that her great-great grandmother's brothers, William and Marshall Barker, spent time in prison for a murder they didn't commit. The father of the dead man hired a fake Pinkerton detective to railroad the brothers.

"It's a factual book, written as fiction," Marr said. "As I tell the story, I have to make up dialogue between the characters, because obviously that isn't recorded anywhere. I was able to take liberties with the characters, and make them into what I wanted them to be."

But she keeps the happy ending. In the early 1900s, a Michigan governor pardoned the brothers after they served 15 years in prison.

For now, the untitled book sits on the shelf, with the work-

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ROAD WORK: Smoothing out bumps

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Fisher repaving

Stimulus money also will pay construction costs to resurface Fisher along the City-Grosse Pointe Farms border from East Jefferson to Maumee.

"It worked out well because that was one of the roads on our list in need of repaving," said Shane Reeside, Farms manager.

A \$157,798 grant for Fisher won't cover engineering fees, which will be split by the City and Farms.

"We're doing preliminary engineering now," Reeside said. "We took bore samples Monday. We're attempting to have some of the engineering costs paid through the grant."

Weitzel said the city's half of Fisher engineering fees will mean an additional \$18,305.50 outlay for a total obligation of \$96,995.50.

"Funds for this project will be charged to the capital projects fund, as neither of these projects were budgeted in the fiscal year 2008-2009 budget," Weitzel said.

Lakeshore repaving

Portions of Lakeshore have been approved for resurfacing through the stimulus program.

Improvements will occur in the Farms between Fisher and Warner, and in the Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores from Moross to Vernier.

Reeside hopes to hear good news on a request for stimulus money to rebuild the Lakeshore breakwall.

"We haven't received notification of approval on that yet," he said.

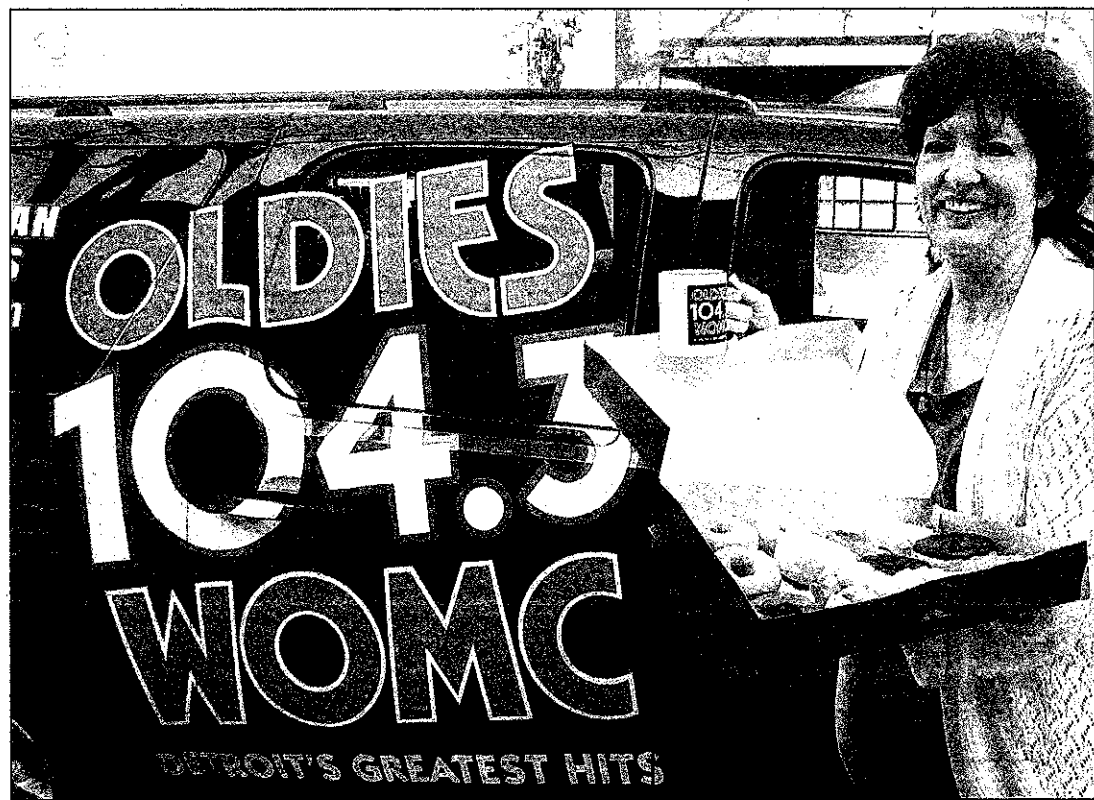


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Ultimate coffee break

Grosse Pointe News employees were the lucky recipients of coffee and donuts Thursday, Feb. 26, from Oldies 104.3 WOMC radio station as part of its Ultimate Coffee Break promotion. Mary Schlager, who works in the News production department, entered the contest online submitting why she believed she and her co-workers deserved the morning treat. WOMC's Ultimate Coffee Break has been providing coffee and donuts to tri-county businesses for 10 years. News staffers appreciated Schlager, center above, entering the contest.

Pointes for Peace to hold public forum

A Pointes for Peace public forum will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 22, at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The program is free and open to the public.

Martin Harms, a native Grosse Pointer, will share his experiences working for peace in Israel and Palestine. The title of his presentation is "Accompaniment in Israel/Palestine: A Perspective from Inside the Conflict."

Harms spent three months in Israel/Palestine during the summer in 2008 as part of the

Ecumenical Accompaniment Program, a non-governmental organization that supports local and international efforts to bring a just resolution to the Israeli/Palestinian conflict based on international law. He worked as a volunteer with both Palestinian and Israeli peace groups.

Harms is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and the University of Michigan and will return to Ann Arbor this spring to start at the U of M Law School.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group of Eastsiders and others who are

committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels. Membership is free.

The public is welcome at Pointes for Peace weekly gatherings at 7 p.m. Sundays at Panera Bread on Kercheval in the Grosse Pointe Village.

The March 22 public forum will replace the weekly meeting.

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

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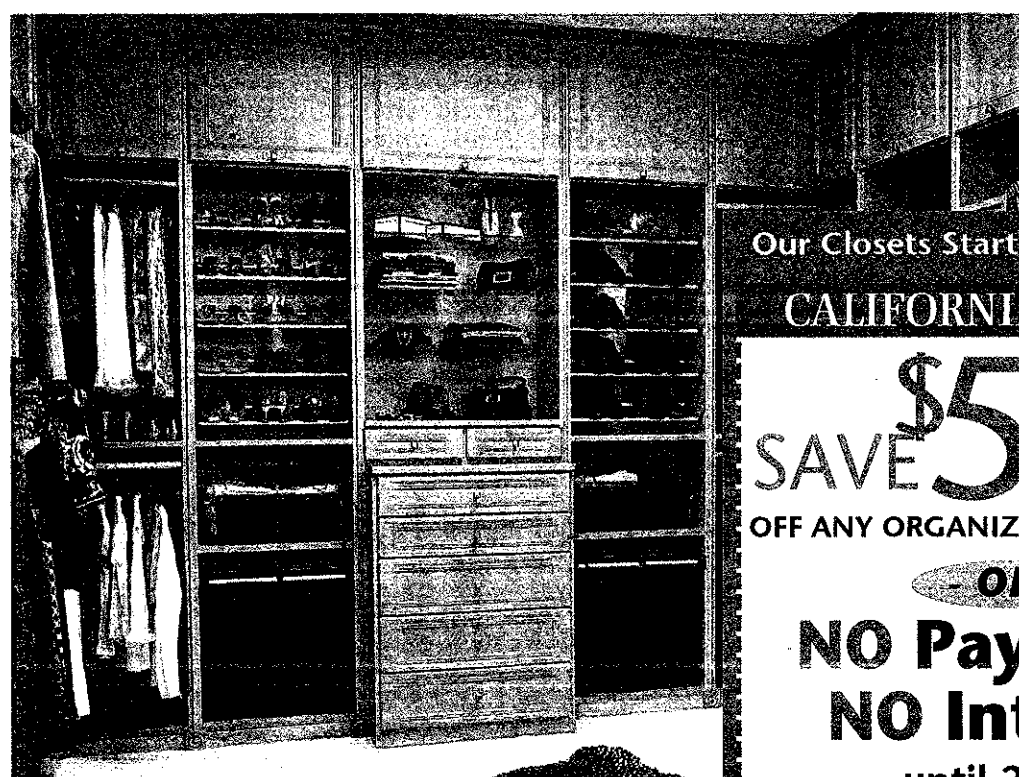
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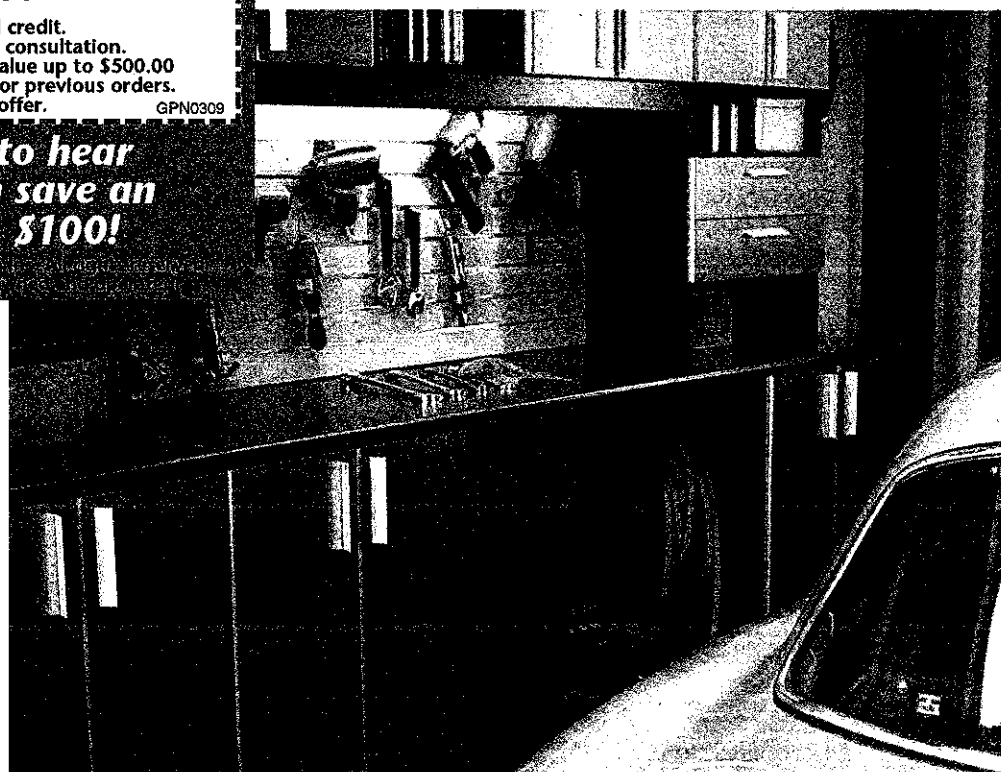
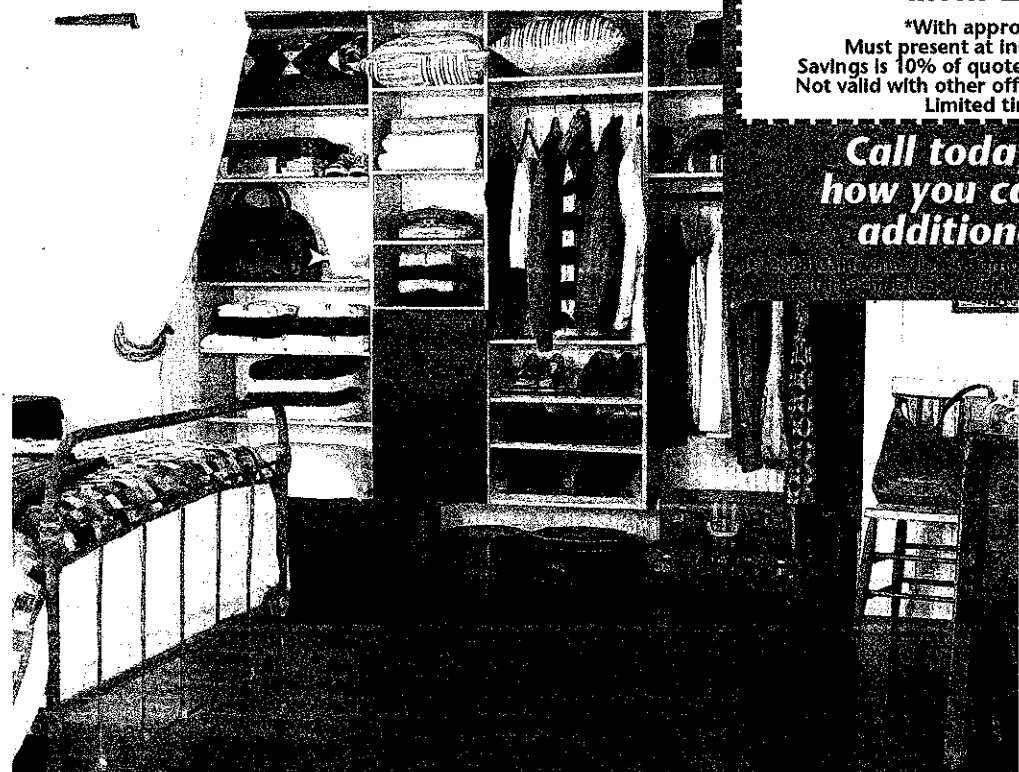
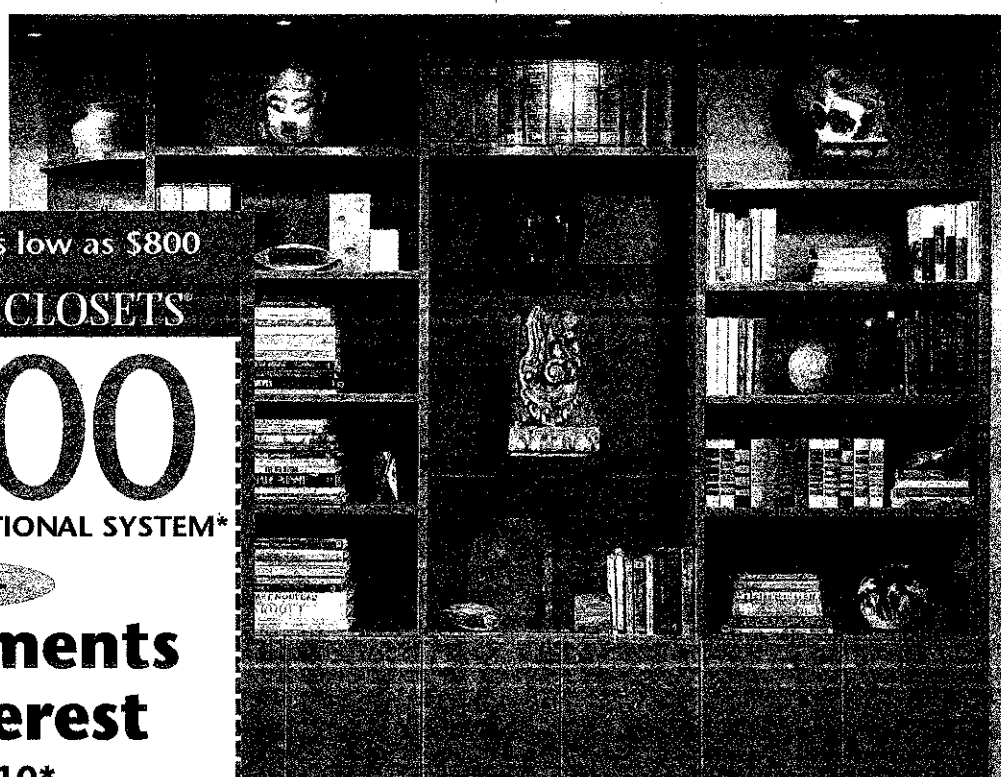
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GUEST EDITORIAL
By the Editors of E-The Environmental Magazine

Obama to the
'Green' rescue?

President Barack Obama has pledged to make green priorities his priorities — and thus far he appears to be keeping his word. Environmental groups are praising his initiatives — including support in the new stimulus package for energy efficiency and renewable energy research, greening federal buildings, weatherizing homes and creating green jobs — but caution much more is needed to make the U.S. a true leader in staying off irreversible climate catastrophe.

The March/April 2009 issue of E – The Environmental Magazine, posted on emagazine.com, looks at many of the most pressing environmental concerns facing the new administration. These include protecting public forests, setting strict emissions standards, preserving clean water and reforming the Army Corps of Engineers, the federal agency responsible for maintaining many of our nation's water and related environmental resources.

Across the board, environmental groups hope for a reversal of many of the most damaging Bush regulations, and, so far, they've been rewarded.

On March 3, Obama stopped a Bush-era rule that would have weakened Endangered Species Act protections for animals and plants, and he's set in motion the ability for states to set their own emissions standards.

The push to present Obama with a shared green vision began in November 2008, shortly after the election, when 29 of the nation's leading environmental and conservation groups asked the new administration to return to something they say was sorely lacking under President George W. Bush: Science-based decision making.

"A core piece of the vision is for science to get back into the argument," said Margie Alt, executive director of Environment America — the environmental arm of U.S. Public Interest Research Group.

That led to the document, "Transition to Green," a 396-page publication with agency-by-agency instructions on positions to create, rules to write and countries to target for global partnerships.

The president was asked not to think about the economy without thinking about the environment, with the message cutting greenhouse gas emissions and relying on low-carbon renewable energy sources would create millions of jobs and give the economy a jump-start with staying power.

"(Obama should encourage Congress to) use an economic revitalization plan to protect our planet," said Gene Karpinski, president of the League of Conservation Voters.

But with a major financial crisis facing the nation, will environmental concerns be put on the back burner? At the very least, say environmentalists, Obama can begin the quick work of reversing damaging Bush-era environmental policies.

No. 1 on the agenda for many groups is restoring Clinton-era rules that banned road building on nearly 60 million acres of national forests. Reinstatement of the so-called "roadless rule" is one of the highlights of "Transition to Green."

Other recommendations for public forests include canceling logging plans for Alaska's Tongass National Forest, scrapping Bush's forest management plans and throwing out rule changes to the Endangered Species Act and other landmark laws made in the waning days of the Bush Administration.

Obama has already acted swiftly with regard to automobile emissions. Shortly after his inauguration, he signed an executive order directing the Environmental Protection Agency to reconsider its refusal to allow California to regulate its own auto emissions.

The EPA could approve the waiver by April, setting a precedent for states across the nation that follow California's lead and ushering in a new era of fuel-efficient vehicles.

Frank O'Donnell of Clean Air Watch called the reversal "one of the biggest and most concrete things the Obama administration can do in its early days. It sends a strong signal, and it has national implications."

As to clean water regulation, the 111th Congress faces a critical issue: Returning regulating authority to the Clean Water Act with new legislation called the Clean Water Restoration Act.

The nation's waters are in peril. The U.S. has lost more than half of its wetlands since the nation's founding, and countless miles of rivers and streams are polluted or otherwise impaired.

But federal hands are tied. An internal EPA memo from March 2008 found the agency failed to pursue 304 cases of CWA violations between July 2006 and March 2008 because of "jurisdictional uncertainty" caused by critical Supreme

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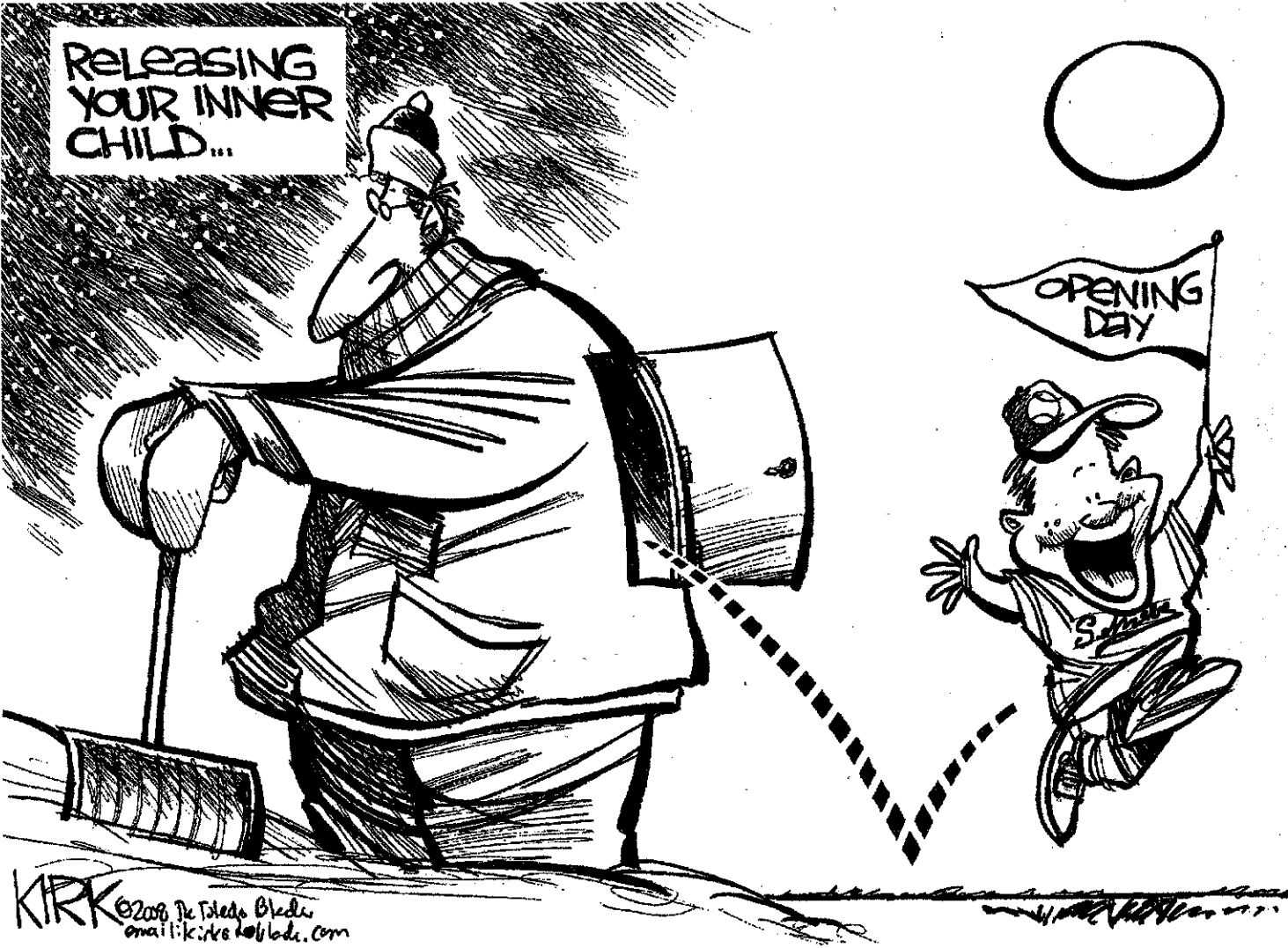
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GUEST OPINION By Rich Lowry

Why government
regulators always lose

With \$7 trillion in wealth disappearing in the United States in the past year, it hasn't been a banner time for anyone involved in the financial markets.

But it may be the Securities and Exchange Commission that has taken the biggest bath.

The storied investment banks that it oversaw have basically disappeared — out of business or transformed into bank holding companies. And on top of that comes the Bernard Madoff scandal, in which the Wall Street figure operated a \$50 billion Ponzi scheme under the SEC's nose despite repeated warnings he must be defrauding investors.

The 2005 letter from investment maven Harry Markopolos to the SEC arguing Madoff had to be a scammer has become justly famous. Titled "The World's Largest Hedge Fund is a Fraud," Markopolos outlined no fewer than 29 red flags raised by Madoff's operation.

According to The Wall Street Journal, the SEC and

What the market needs now is not regulatory overkill, but reforms to make sure incentives are properly aligned, e.g., bond rating agencies shouldn't be paid by the firms issuing the bonds, and that the system is as transparent as possible.

other regulators examined Madoff at least eight times in the course of 16 years and found nothing more than technical violations.

An egregious failing. But Peter Van Doren of the free-market Cato Institute points out the difficulties inherent in the SEC's task. The average SEC examiner's inbox must be flooded with complaints and leads, many of which have no merit, in a chaotic environment characterized by trillions of dollars of trades a day.

The SEC is in the position of the old British Foreign Service official who after a career spanning 1903-1950 recalled, "Year after year the worriers and fretters would come to me with awful predictions of the outbreak of war. I denied it each time. I was only

wrong twice."

Except the SEC makes a practice of being wrong. It missed the Enron and WorldCom debacles. In response, it successfully petitioned for a massive heap of new financial regulations in the form of Sarbanes-Oxley, which didn't make a whit of difference as the SEC missed the impending implosion of the investment banks and one of the most notorious financial frauds in U.S. history.

Part of the problem is the SEC has to try to outfox people paid very well, and with every incentive, to outfox it.

As David Smick writes in "The World Is Curved:" "A well-intentioned government bureaucrat is no match for the kind of creative and clever market wizards, and their lawyers, who begin searching

for legal means around any regulatory constraint the instant the regulations are put in place.

"Today a senior Securities and Exchange Commission officer earns between \$143,000 and \$216,000 per year. Even junior executive decision makers at Goldman Sachs garner annual compensation packages in the millions of dollars."

When it comes to Madoff, as one wag observed, he ran afoul of one of the oldest regulations on the books, "Thou Shalt Not Steal." What the market needs now is not regulatory overkill, but reforms to make sure incentives are properly aligned, e.g., bond rating agencies shouldn't be paid by the firms issuing the bonds, and that the system is as transparent as possible.

Even the shrewdest rules won't avoid the next bubble and bust, after which the SEC or some other regulatory agency will again inevitably be found wanting.

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GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Some of my favorite quality things

The opening lyrics from "The Sound of Music" are melodic and memorable:

*Raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens
Bright copper kettles and warm woolen mittens
Brown paper packages tied up with strings
These are a few of my favorite things.*

Actually I have some favorite things, which does not include woolen mittens or copper kettles. And let's not forget how each year around Thanksgiving Oprah tantalizes us with many of her favorite items on a show that has become her most popular. In the past, items included Uggs Australia Boots, KitchenAid artisan mixer, Scrabble premier edition, Claus Porto soaps from L'afco New York and a LG HDTV refrigerator — most of which are out of my price range.

And this is the time of year when many newspapers ask their readers to list their favorite restaurants, hair stylist, hotel or pet groomer to name just a few. So not to be outdone, here is my list of favorite things.

I chose them based on the quality of the item or the ex-



cellent quality service provided by the employees.

Naturally, many of the selections are located in Michigan, my home state, but several of you might have experienced the hospitality of our state and might just agree. On the other hand, there is a sampling of items from across the nation. See how many you recognize.

My favorite:

◆ Vacation location in Michigan: Grand Haven, an idyllic fishing, recreational and camping town on the shores of Lake Michigan — the stroll along the boardwalk to the historic lighthouse is breathtaking. The evening sunset is spectacular. And there's nothing better than the soft, soothing sands along the beach!

◆ Appetizer: The barbeque meatballs at Win Schulers in Marshall melt in your mouth. Four generations of family members have been operating this historic restaurant since 1909. First-class service and exceptional food are just some

of the reasons this epicurean delight has withstood the strains of a changing economy.

◆ Steakhouse: A tie — Gibson's on Rush Street in Chicago — dining in the enclosed porch area gives one a bird's-eye view of street activity in the Windy City. The portions are huge, so bring your appetite. And the twice-baked potato is worth the trip alone.

Then there's Bern's Steakhouse in Tampa where after dinner you can tour the kitchen and the wine cellar. Dessert is served on a separate floor in private enclosed booths. In addition, the March issue of Every Day with Rachael Ray prepared a list of 64 steakhouses in the nation and listed them on a NCAA-like basketball playoff grid. Then a group of chefs visited and critiqued each restaurant. The winner of the best steakhouse in the U.S. was Bern's — so obviously I have good taste — quality taste!

◆ Hotel: The Ritz-Carlton — any location. The ambience and personal attention are the hallmarks. The ladies and gentlemen of the hotel, as they are called, provide some of the best guest service on the planet. And having won the Malcolm Baldrige National

Quality Award twice separates this prestigious hotel from the other wanna-be's.

◆ White bean chili soup: Kirby Grill in Grand Haven — soup so good your knees will buckle when you taste it.

◆ Summer vacation: Mackinac Island with lunch at the Grand Hotel. The hotel boasts the world's longest porch. No cars allowed on the island, just horse drawn carriages. The aroma of fudge and equine droppings fill the air but travel there in June for the lilac festival for a nostril treat!

◆ Consulting firm: Talent Plus — the premier global human resources consulting firm specializing in recruitment, selection, development and retention of talented people with a customer base of more than 200 world-class organizations. Henry Ford Medical Center in West Bloomfield had 40,000 applications for 1,100 positions and Talent Plus was pivotal in the hiring. The new concept, entitled "FutureSizing," aligns a workforce to meet present and future needs by taking into account associate's talents when making staff reductions and not simply on tenure, salary or

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I SAY By Ann L. Fouty

Support groups ease the suffering



'Although the world is full of suffering... it is also full of overcoming it.' Helen Keller

Although the world is full of suffering... it is also full of overcoming it. Helen Keller recent Peace Corps dinner my husband and I attended can qualify as a support group.

We are not necessarily suffering, but we are missing our son. He is in his third year as a Peace Corps volunteer in Benin, a tiny and poor west

African country. Mail is slower than slow. E-mail is infrequent. Phone service has much improved in the past year making the missing part a little more bearable.

Conversing with Peace Corps parents is uplifting. Any trepidation of how we would fit in with this new group evaporated with the first conversation — "Where are you going?"

In a short three hours, we met a few who have served, families whose sons and daughters are serving and families whose college graduates are leaving this summer.

Newly made friends told of the oddest food eaten (dog, pony, fermented fish, pickled

camel tongue), the funniest story and what would you have left home (teaching materials). We shared advice on what type of presents to take when visiting and how to sample every dish prepared when invited to a home for a meal.

It is true of any segment of our society — shared experiences make rough patches easier. Commiserating gets us through. Connections are made through like experiences.

Mothers of soldiers get together to talk about the fears they have as their sons and daughters leave to fulfill their obligations.

Support groups for the newly unemployed are popping up

in coffee shops and church basements, kitchens and union halls.

There are support groups for every kind of physical, physiological and mental affliction, disability and disorder, addiction and abuse. No matter what age, no matter the omission or commission, there are support groups.

There should be no hesitation, embarrassment or shyness when joining a support group because everyone is in the same boat. Circumstances are varied but the bottom line is the same — a major part of your life and that of the group members have intersected.

Ideas, solutions, problems and insight are provided. What

could be simpler than sharing?

Support groups are not only important to you but to those around you who may not understand your need to share, or even care what you are experiencing.

I came away from the evening with a new acquaintance and knowing a few of those inductees would fulfill "the hardest job you'll ever love."

My new acquaintance from Troy will be tearfully hugging her son goodbye at Detroit Metro in June. He has been invited to serve in Burkina Faso.

Burkina Faso touches Benin's border on the north. Benin's country director is married to a Burkina Faso

prince. We had dinner with her. In the seven degrees of separation, there was a connection.

I gave her my phone number. No doubt about it, I said, the first three months are hard because there is no contact.

"Call me. I'll listen. We'll talk," I said. "You will make friends with other Peace Corps parents. You create your own support group."

Just as my friends in New York, North Carolina and California have become my connection, I would begin hers.

It's good to know there is someone there for you.

It's good to know you don't have to suffer alone.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What do you want to be when you grow up?

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



'I want to be a scientist because you can look in a microscope and see bugs. Bugs are cool and funny.'

KATHERINE GRAY
Grosse Pointe Farms



'A soccer player because I am really good at soccer.'

TATUM PESKIN
Grosse Pointe Farms



'A football player for the Jets because I like football and they are a really good team.'

DAKOTA JONES
City of Grosse Pointe



'A hockey player like Pavel Datsyuk and I want to play for the Red Wings.'

RYAN MURPHY
Grosse Pointe Woods



'I want to be a cook at Big Boy because I love their food.'

JOSH ROBERTS
Grosse Pointe Woods

FROM THE ARCHIVES Compiled by Suzy Berschback

Claim became known as Grant's Castle



The following article is from the archives of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, circa 1930. For more information, visit gphistorical.org.

Pivate claim No. 231 was given to Alexander Grant and confirmed by land commissioners in Detroit July 5, 1808. It was known as the Grant's Castle.

This farm was noted as embracing the first "cleared" land in Grosse Pointe. It originally extended from the present St. Paul's Catholic Church property to Lothrop. The Sacred Heart convent and the unfinished home of John Dodge were later located on part of the original farm. It had a frontage of nine arpents, (French acres), and contained about 400 acres.

It was first cultivated by Commodore Alexander Grant, a British naval officer, in command of several men of war when this part of the country was in English possession. Aspiring to found a seigneury similar to the old French claims on the St. Lawrence in Quebec, Canada, he selected this tract of land. During the

winter when the lakes were frozen, he employed his sailors and soldiers in clearing off the forest trees.

Soon after acquiring title, he erected a large manor house known in its day as "Grant's Castle." It was built of hewn oak timbers taken from the surrounding forest. It was about 160 feet long, two stories in height and surrounded on all sides by huge two-story verandas or "galleries," as the French termed them. In shape, it resembled a great barrack.

The commodore may be justly termed the founder of Grosse Pointe, and as such, deserves more than passing mention. Possibly a failure to make proper explanation might result in his being confounded a hundred years hence, with one Ulysses Grant. The first Grant, when a young lieutenant, resided for a time in Detroit and who, it is authoritatively said, enjoyed the French pony racing and appreciated the fine flavor of the liqueur de peche (Peach Brandy) as much as did the old commodore.

The commodore was one of the Clan Grant of Glenmoriston, Invernesshire, Scotland; and entered the navy of his majesty George II, at an early age. He left service in 1757 and joined a Highland regiment, raised for the army of Gen. Amherst, which army reached Lake Champlain in

1759, en route to capture Canada from the French.

The general, requiring officers for his fleet on the lake, commissioned Grant as the commander of a sloop of 16 guns. The operations of the combined forces under Gen. Amherst, having secured the conquest of Canada, Grant was sent to Lakes Ontario and Erie.

In 1774, he married Therese, daughter of Charles Barthe, of Detroit. The Barthe family was

also connected with the Godfroys, Navarres, Descomptes, Labadies and many others equally well-known. At the time of Grant's marriage, Grosse Pointe and its vicinity were part of Canada, and from his castle here he used to distribute British bounties and pensions to the savage allies of King George. The great chief Tecumseh and others of his tribe were frequent visitors at "Grants Castle."

The commodore was called to the executive council in 1805 and administered the government of upper Canada. He was a man of commanding presence, a good officer and a general favorite. He died in Grosse Pointe in 1813, leaving 11 daughters and one son, a British officer who resided at Brockville, Canada.

The Grants also had an adopted son who had been taken prisoner by the natives, but rescued from an untimely

fate through Mrs. Grant's interposition.

George Moran, who succeeded to the Grant farm, died in 1882. He settled here at an early day and was a noted character of old Grosse Pointe. At his death, he had disposed of a large portion of his farm, but some of his descendants still retain parts of the ancestral homestead.

One of his sons, Charles G. Moran, was the first president of Grosse Pointe Village.

FAVORITES: Relaxing entertainment

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performance metrics.

◆ Male entertainer: Hands down it is Frank Sinatra. Every Sunday night from 6 to 8 p.m. I listen to two hours of tunes on radio station 580 from Windsor, Canada. My iPod is loaded with most of his songs. Favorite albums: "The Main Event," which was a concert at Madison Square Garden in 1974, and "Old Blue Eyes Is Back."

◆ TV program: Any episode of "Seinfeld." My life is a Seinfeld episode except I don't wear a puffy shirt. My favorite episodes include "The Jimmy," "The Bubble Boy," "The Soup Nazi," "The Pony Remark," "The Merv Griffin Show," "The Marine Biologist" and, of course, "The Puffy Shirt." And for your information, I am writing this paragraph with my astronaut pen and not doing any double dipping!

◆ Talk show host: J.P. McCarthy. I had the pleasure of being interviewed by him on his WJR "Focus" program in Detroit many times and he is without a doubt the best. Sadly he passed on much too soon.

◆ Radio Disc Jockey: None better than National Association of Broadcasting Hall of Fame Member Dick Purtan of radio station Oldies 104.3 WOMC in Detroit. Entertaining and informative every morning with his zany

crew of "Purtan's People." His charitable work in the community is legendary, especially his involvement with The Salvation Army Bed and Bread Club and Children's Hospital of Michigan.

◆ Community newspaper: Since 1940 the weekly Grosse Pointe News has been providing news, sports, entertainment and editorials for residents of the five Grosse Pointes. While other community papers have gone by the wayside, the Grosse Pointe News continues to be a vibrant voice throughout the area.

◆ Dessert: Any one of the many cheesecakes at The Cheesecake Factory.

◆ Pizza: Buddy's in Detroit or any pizza from the eateries in downtown Chicago. Our neighbors to the west of us really know how to bake a pie!

◆ Amusement Park: The Michigan Adventure Park in Muskegon takes high honors and a ride on the roller coaster Shivering Timbers is spectacular. More than 60 rides and attractions and a spectacular water park with 20 wild water rides.

◆ Physician: Dr. James Peabody of Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit who through robotic surgery cured me of prostate cancer. One month after my operation I was running and biking again! Being cancer-free certainly enhances one's quality of life and I am the poster boy for a successful operation — all systems are go!

◆ Michigan restaurant: The 1913 Room at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids. This is the only AAA Five Diamond restaurant in our

state and the service and the menu selections are first class. In 2008 it won that distinction for the seventh time.

◆ Guess what city has the most AAA Five Diamond Restaurants? If you guessed New York you are incorrect. New York with the most restaurants of any city only has three AAA Five Diamond Restaurants. Las Vegas has four and Chicago has seven.

◆ Broadway play: Tie between "Phantom of the Opera," which we have seen five times in various cities, and "Jersey Boys" — the story of Frankie Valley and the Four Seasons.

◆ Canoe trip: The White River in Montague, Mich. The site of blue heron taking flight, ducks swimming frantically away and startled deer racing through the grass and the occasional muskrat swimming in the river provide memories that will last a lifetime.

◆ Golf course: Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville, Mich. Panoramic views of northern Michigan foliage and firs and well manicured fairways.

◆ Romantic getaway: The Betsie Bay Inn in Frankfort, Mich. Rooms are outfitted with hot tubs, saunas, canopy beds and wood burning stoves. Perfect getaway for married couples and if you weren't married when you arrived, you will be when you leave!

◆ Snack: The Pronto Pup Stand in Grand Haven has been delighting hot dog aficionados for more than 60 years. Grab a couple of doggies and stroll along the boardwalk. Settle in for the Musical Fountain at dusk

along the Grand River.

◆ People to hang out with: My three children — Cathy, MaryJo and Bill, Jr., and their spouses and our 11 grandchildren.

◆ Soul mate: My wife, Mary, of 45 years who somehow has put up with my idiosyncrasies and my being a cranky old man. And being with her sure beats "bright copper kettles and warm woolen mittens!"

◆ Cruise Line: Royal Caribbean — seven days and seven islands out of Puerto Rico is like a continuous massage. You will feel relaxed and restful for weeks. And a walk through the rain forest in Antigua is a must.

◆ Zoo: A zoo may be a zoo until you experience the surroundings at the San Diego Zoo — none better. Lots of exhibits which are easy to navigate. And of course one of the few zoos with pandas. And while there, a ride over the Del Coronado Bridge is a must.

◆ Airline: Another of my favorites — Southwest Airlines where safety, fun and on-time arrivals are the hallmark.

◆ Family theme park: Epcot in Orlando. A wrap around collection of pavilions representing 11 different countries. My favorites — Germany, France and Italy.

Yes, I realize this may be too much information for some of you and it may sound like a personal travelogue. But no trips or free food was offered and no animals were harmed in the preparation of this column!

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GREENING: Environmental groups

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Court decisions under the Bush administration, and a total of 500 CWA cases have been negatively affected by the rulings.

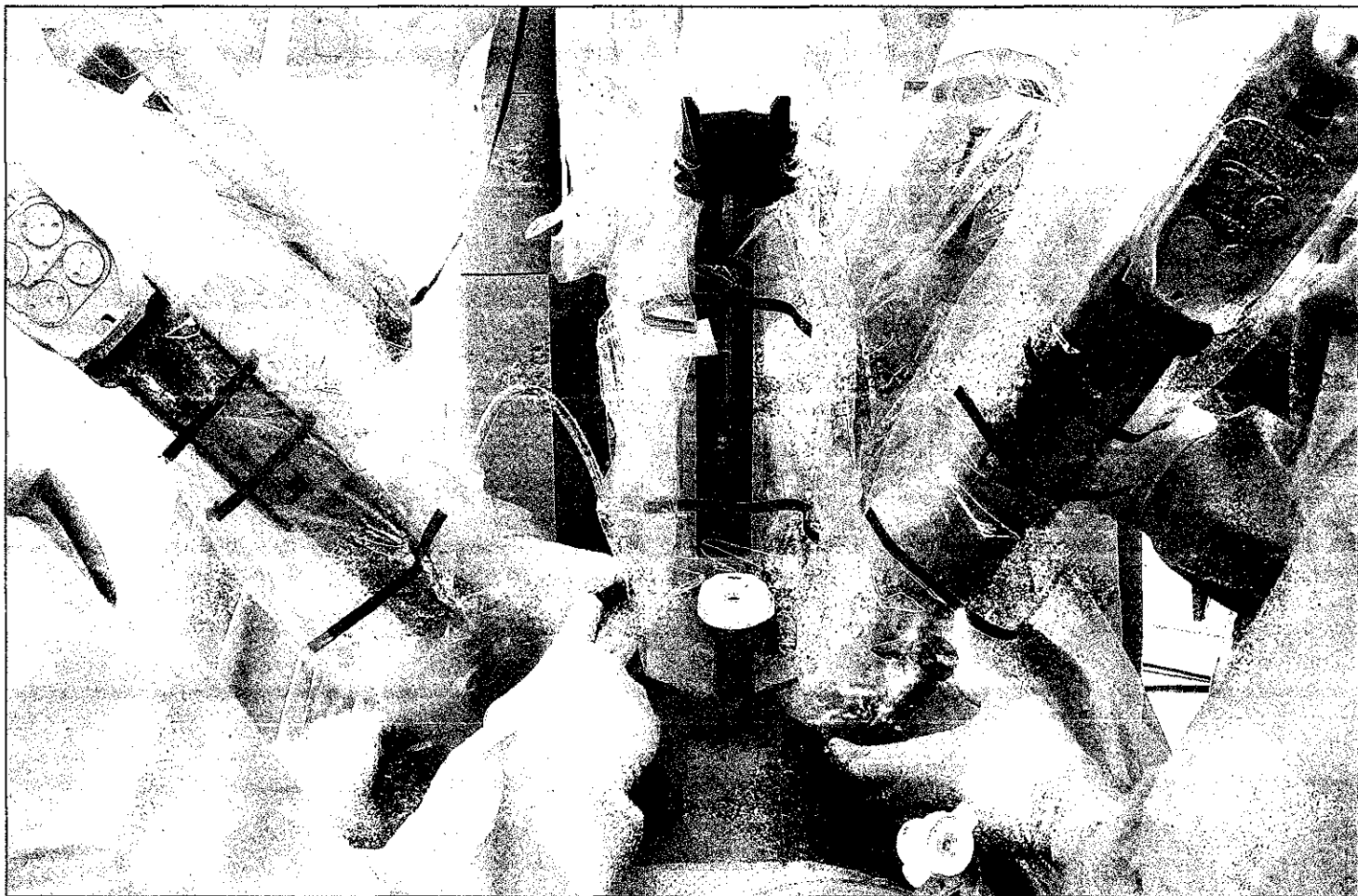
Recommendations were given for the Obama administration from the nation's leading environmental groups — the National Resources Defense Council, Union of Concerned Scientists, Environmental Defense Fund and Ocean Conservancy among them —

and takes a serious look at what can be, and needs to be, accomplished in the immediate years ahead.

We have talked to two groups pushing to put an organic garden on the White House lawn, and to officials at Sidwell Friends School — one of the greenest in the nation — where first daughter's Sasha and Malia Obama attend school.

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Councilman helps buy surgical robot



A remote-control surgical system lets doctors perform operations through incisions as small as the button on a man's shirt. At right, technology transforms surgical treatment.

A remote-control surgical system lets doctors perform operations through incisions as small as the button on a man's shirt.

Compared to traditional surgery, the new method reduces patient trauma, blood loss and need for transfusions and post-operative discomfort. Patients also have shorter hospital stays and faster recovery.

The system, called the da Vinci robot, is new to Beaumont Hospital Grosse Pointe in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The hospital bought the equipment through contributions and a major commitment by City residents Elizabeth A. and John Stevens.

"We've been supportive of Beaumont and Bon Secours hospitals for quite some time," said John Stevens, a City councilman. "This is the culmination of a very effective and timely project. It's a project

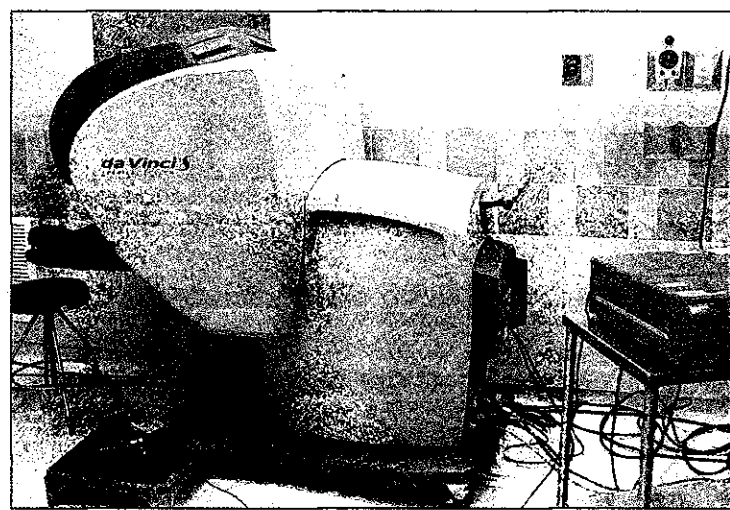
that has immediate and beneficial effects for everybody."

The hospital's chief of surgery, Dr. Dinesh Telang, recently operated using da Vinci.

Telang operated while sitting at a console while viewing a 3-D image of the surgical field. He manipulated controls that translated his hand, wrist and finger movements into precise, real-time movements of surgical instruments inside the patient.

"The da Vinci Surgical System combines the knowledge and skills of the surgeon with precise manipulation of surgical instruments," Telang said.

"This technology has transformed surgical treatment for prostate cancer because of the technical and clinical advantages in terms of visual magnification and refinement of surgical techniques in an area that can be difficult to operate with traditional techniques."



WATER: Long-term decision

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residents save on their water bills.

However, the bond sale the city had authorized to pay for the reservoir is now on hold, and the city will apply for a loan from the Drinking Water Revolving Fund, a federal program administered by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. That loan application is due May 1.

The decision to apply for money from the DWRF will put the construction of the reservoir, originally scheduled for this spring, on hold until early 2010, said Scott Lockwood, city engineer.

"We anticipate beginning construction over the winter, and having the tower in operation by the summer of 2010," he said. "We also wanted to apply now, because we know the money is there. We're not sure it will be available next year."

The city opted to apply for the DWRF funds because of the savings it would realize with a lower interest rate. The interest rate on the proposed bond sale was estimated to be approximately 5 percent, while the interest rate on the DWRF funds is 2.5 percent.

While concern was expressed over the length of the

contract the city will be required to sign with Detroit, the cost of going with the Farms, and the long-term cost to residents was of ultimate concern to the council. The projected payback time on the \$14 million plus the \$2 million cost of the water reservoir would have been 20 years.

"This is a complex issue and the council must make a difficult, long-term decision," said Mark Wollenweber, city administrator. "But keep in mind, that no matter which system you choose, there is no ownership, and we have no more influence with the Farms than we do with Detroit. The decision is do we borrow \$2 million or \$14 million."

It was the payback time of 20 years that influenced council member Al Dickinson's vote.

"I doubt if the average Woods customer will be here in 20 years," he said. "We have to be accountable to our current residents."

The council also factored in the uncertainty of water rates with either system, as well as the question of new regulations in the future, the cost of which could be passed on to municipalities. It also authorized the city's auditor, Plante & Moran, to conduct a study of the city's current water rates, as the water system is currently operating at a loss.

As part of the DWRF loan application, a public hearing is required. It is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, April 23, at the Woods City Hall.

WRITER: Consultant turned author

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ing title "The Barker Brothers."

"I don't have a title, because you don't normally get to name your own book," she said. "Your baby becomes someone else's adoptee."

Even when Marr is not writing, she's usually at her computer.

She has been a computer consultant for several years. She began teaching people how to use computers when home and business use was dominated by dial-up connections and a 1G hard drive was considered state of the art. As people became more comfortable with computers, she started trouble shooting problems and assisting people with spe-

cialized projects.

"I help people do whatever they want to do with a computer," she said.

A graduate of Central Michigan University, Marr and her husband, Rick, raised two daughters in Grosse Pointe Park. Martha, a graduate of St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, Ind., is a government auditor in California. Katie is a junior at St. Mary's.

Marr writes whenever she finds the time and expects to finish her fourth book soon. A recent misstep while trimming hedges resulted in tendon damage in an ankle, and an order from the doctor to stay off of it.

"I was ordered to sit down, and I couldn't write," she said with a laugh. "But I should be done with the fourth book soon. And I definitely have plans for a fifth."

Information on Marr's books can be found on her website, antracymarr.com.

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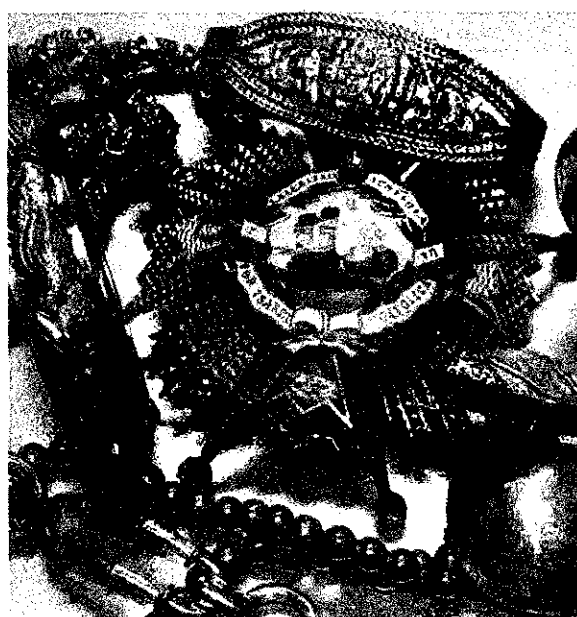
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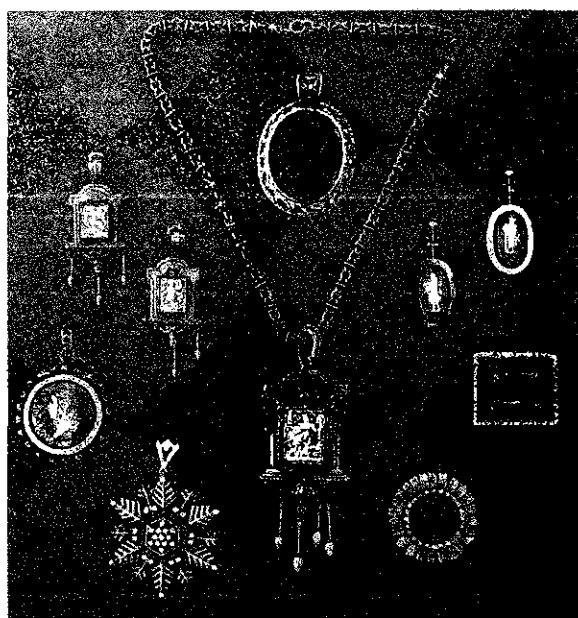
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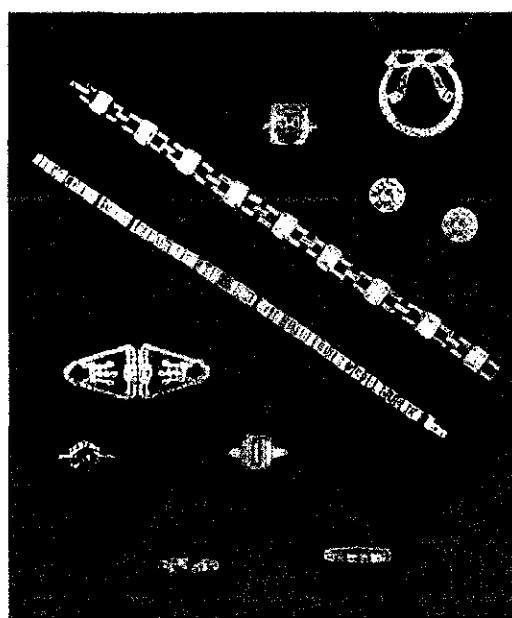
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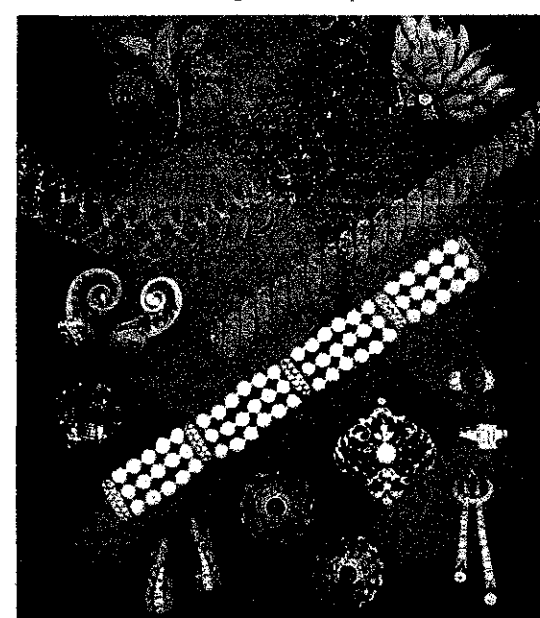
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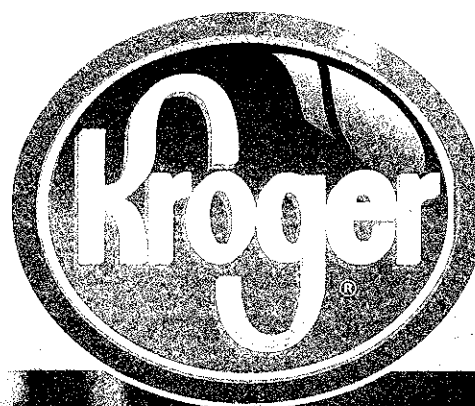
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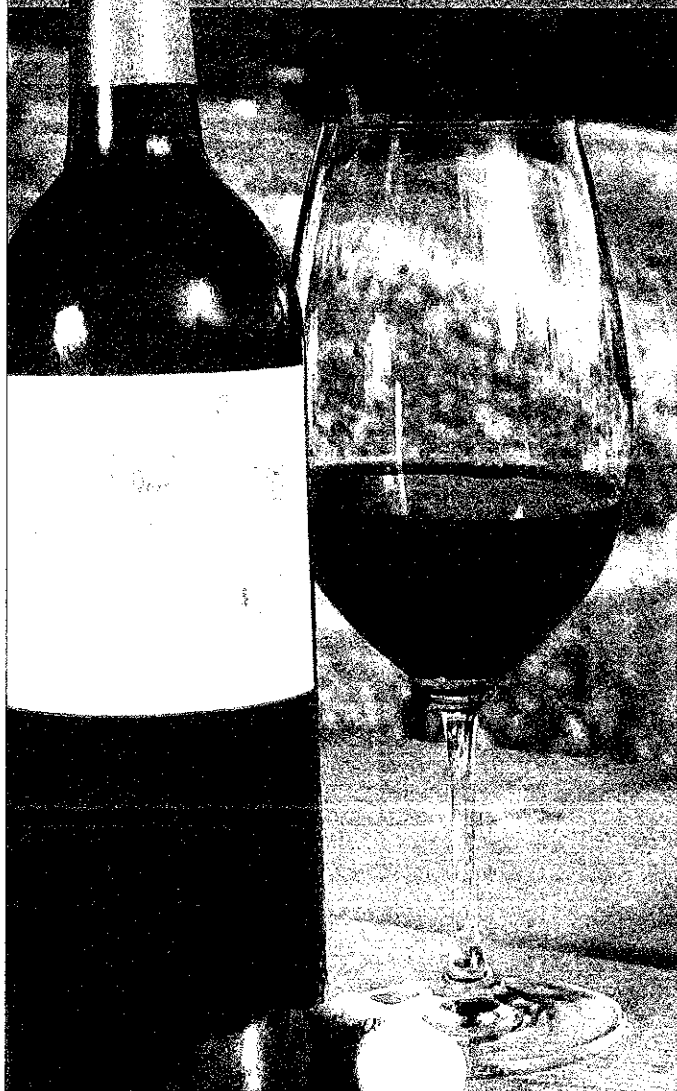
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Brownell offers support, hope in leukemia battle

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

Over the years, she's been many things to many people: mentor, confidant, cheerleader and friend.

But at least for the moment, she will be a fighter to them all.

Longtime classroom assistant Lorrie Walsh will receive her final round of chemotherapy next month, then wait and hope for a bone marrow match as she battles Acute Erythroblastic Leukemia.

The rare cancer originates in the blood and the bone marrow, where a large number of abnormal, immature red blood cells are produced.

Walsh, who has worked for the Grosse Pointe Public School System for 19 years — at Richard and Poupard elementary schools and for the past seven, at Brownell Middle School in the academic assistance program — was diagnosed Dec. 22, 2008. The mother of four and grandmother of two was suffering from heartburn when her doctor turned her over to a hematologist. Blood tests revealed low cell counts.

A few days later, she was admitted to the hospital for a blood transfusion and a week later, for a bone marrow biopsy.

On Jan. 9, Walsh stepped away from her classroom role to begin chemotherapy.

But she hasn't been alone. "I still continue to get cards and e-mails from the staff and students. It makes my day a lot brighter when I get something from them, knowing they're still thinking of me," said Walsh, who wrote in a note to the school about her diagnosis, "I am not a quitter ... I will fight and beat this."

Last week, Brownell held a bone marrow drive in the school cafeteria with the hope of finding a match for Walsh. Some 40 people showed up, registered with the National Marrow Donor Program and had their cheek swabbed. The cost to register was \$25, but the student council and Brownell PTO held fundraisers to drop the cost to \$10 for the first 65 people.

"She's always been there for the kids and I think that's why it's important for them to be there for her," said donor, mother of four and Monteith Elementary School employee Michelle Hartman of Walsh. "She saved my boys from detention on more than one occasion."

Barnes Early Childhood Center classroom assistant Linda Whitman doesn't know Walsh, but signed up as a way

to support district employees. "I hear she's a wonderful person," said Whitman, who noted she had to become educated about bone marrow donations prior to coming by. "If it helps one person, it's worth it."

Karen Battjes, of Harper Woods, found out about the drive as she stopped by Einstein Bagels on her way to work. Walsh's sister, Diane Turney, is the general manager of the shop on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods.

"I'd like to do something for someone while I'm here," said the organ donor who had two children go through the Grosse Pointe school system, "since I'm healthy and there are so many people who aren't."

Brownell Principal Mike Dib said the drive is what makes his school special.

"It's awesome. And it's nice to be affiliated with people who historically rally around a cause. It's why people come together."

Nearly six years ago, the school hosted a bone marrow drive in memory of a former student who died from leukemia. More than 100 new volunteers registered with the

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Steps in time

Third-graders at the Grosse Pointe Academy became some of history's famous figures as the culminating activity in a weeks-long research project from teachers Debby Wolney and Jeanette Stepanek.

The students spent time learning about their chosen characters, then dressed in costume and delivered an oral report

with the biography books they created. Top: Laura Ingalls Wilder, Sacagawea, Madame Curie and Princess Diana watch as Harry Houdini works his magic to get out of his bound shirt. Above: Jack French poses as Abe Lincoln, Chase Clark as Neil Armstrong, Joseph Spica as Winston Churchill, Mazen Massad as George Washington and Tommy Van Pelt as Vincent Van Gogh.

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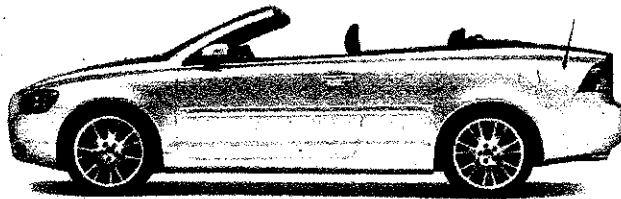
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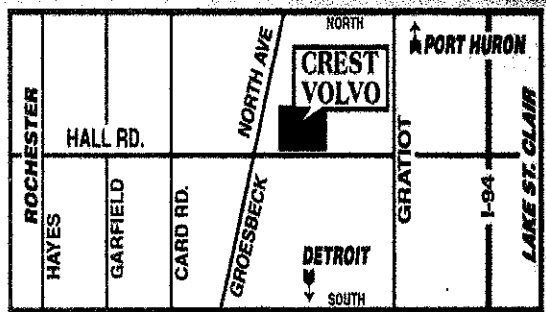
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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Cooks out-spice the competition

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

They've cooked up an assortment of entrees over the last few months, and even baked a few breads.

But it's their chili that has really stolen the spotlight.

Grosse Pointe North High School's commercial foods class won the first place prize of \$2,000 in the Meijer My Mealbox Moment video recipe contest, beating out other school entrants from Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and around the state.

Students were asked to create a video demonstrating their skills in the kitchen — with the use of Meijer-brand products. They cooked up a recipe of ground beef and cubed pork short ribs, kidney beans, diced tomatoes, minced garlic, chopped onions and cumin that after simmering for just over an hour was served up as the perfect accompaniment to a Norsemen football tailgate party.

The video, submitted in the fall, was judged 50 percent on presentation, 40 percent on creativity and 10 percent on public appeal — residents and the North community were asked to vote online. The

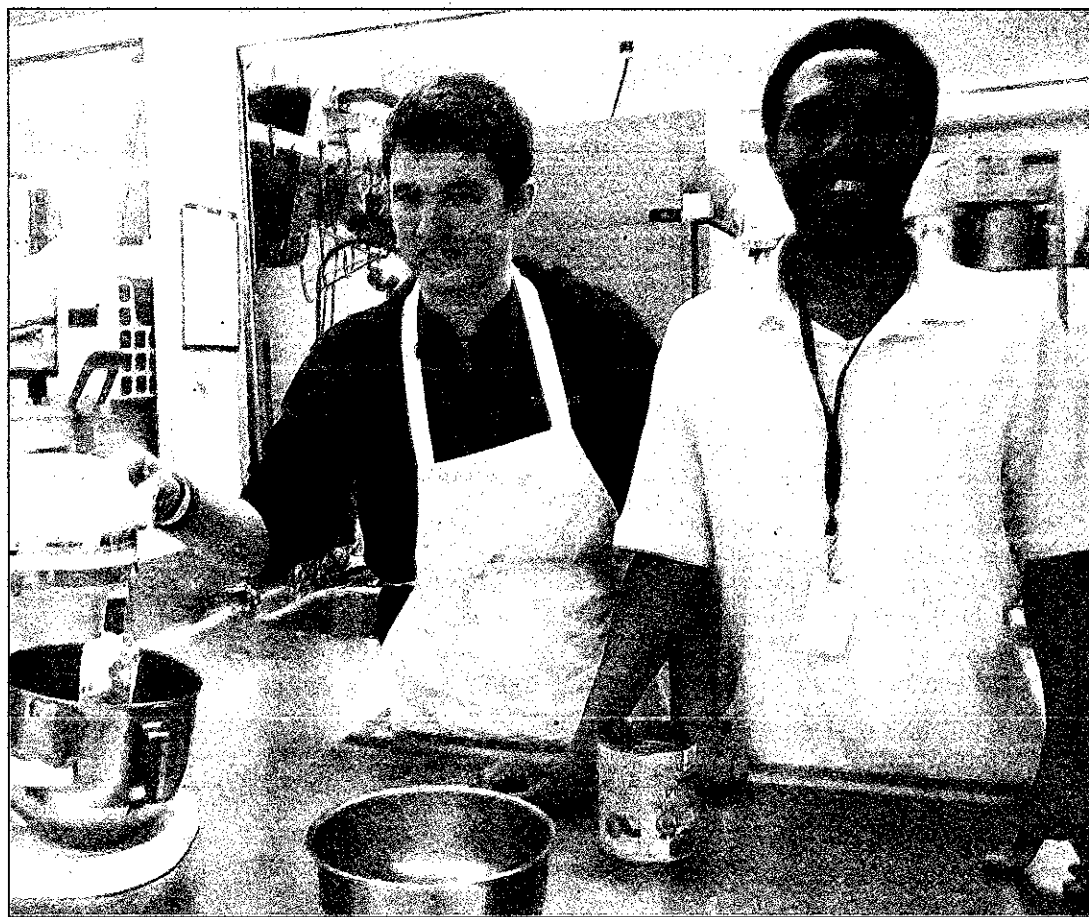


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From left, Thomas Smith and Deshawn Walker, students in Grosse Pointe North High School's commercial foods class, spend each week creating dishes from scratch, including pumpkin bread, pizza and simmering soups. The program won \$2,000 through the Meijer My Mealbox Moment video contest, in which students concocted spicy chili using the store's products.

school's TV production class put the video together and student Ellen Holme narrated.

The foods class has chosen to donate \$150 to the Salvation Army Jr. Bed and Bread Club. The remaining prize money will go back into the program, said teacher Ginette Peck.

The co-op group of six students meets each week throughout the school year, creating from scratch everything from cheesy pizza to savory soups to chocolate chip cookies.

"It provides them with real-life experiences, from prep work to the sanitary aspect. It's meant to introduce them to the kitchen," said Gina McEveney, a classroom assistant. "For the most part, it allows them a place to be responsible."

"It gets them ready for a job. It also gives them purpose and some food training," Peck said.

Some, including Thomas

Smith and Deshawn Walker, even bring those skills to the kitchen at home. And each has his own favorite dishes: for Smith, it's the chicken noodle soup, French fries, beef soup and cookies; for Walker, it's the cheddar biscuits and the broccoli cheese soup. And both have mastered making pumpkin bread.

The students work each week on cooking from scratch several different soups, which they sell to North staff members. One day, they chop vegetables. Another day they take orders. And every Thursday, they deliver the steaming soups and collect the money, a task they can now do on their own.

While Peck enjoys different aspects of her class each day, she admits there are often challenges.

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The Grosse Pointe Public Library features a presentation by environmentalist, educator, author and activist Bill McKibben at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

McKibben will center his discussion, "The Most Important Number in the World: Saving the Planet

and Maybe Even the Auto Industry," on the current economic status and the potential of a green economy as part of the economic recovery in job creation.

Admission is free, but tickets are required and currently available at the Central Library branch. For more information or questions, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 220.

Library shows classics

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts a four week-long "Spring Fever Classics" film series at the Woods Branch, 20680 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods. Each event is free of charge and registration is not required.

"Trouble in Paradise," starring Herbert Marshall, Miriam Hopkins and Kay Francis, plays at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March

24. "To Catch a Thief," starring Grace Kelly and Cary Grant, plays at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 31. "Now Voyager," starring Bette Davis and Paul Henreid, airs at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 7. "Roman Holiday," starring Audrey Hepburn and Gregory Peck, plays at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 14.

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T.S. Eliot subject of lecture

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts John Whittier-Ferguson, associate professor of English at the University of Michigan, who will discuss T.S. Eliot's "Four Quartets" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19 in the Grosse Pointe South High School library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Admission is free for cur-

rent Friends members, as well as teachers and students. Cost for non-members is \$10. The Hill Seafood and Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers pre-lecture dinner for under \$20 beginning at 5:30 p.m. March 19. Lecture goes can make reservations by calling (313) 886-8101.

For more information, call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6 or visit gpfriends.org.

SUPPORT: Staff member fights disease

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NMDP at that event. "It's been amazing. Everybody has been so supportive, from sending meals to fundraising. They've just really outdone themselves," said Turney, who supplied the bagels and other goodies throughout the 8-hour event.

Sixth-grade English teacher and seventh- and eighth-grade journalism instructor Corey Ernst has known Walsh since he was just 5 years old. He grew up with her oldest son, Jeff, and first worked with her at Richard.

Ernst has even been a bone marrow donor — he was called in 2007 a few years after registering at the school's first drive. He was able to donate peripheral blood stem cells and saved the life of his recipient.

"When the information came that Lorrie had leukemia, the first thing I

thought was for us to get a drive going. It's like finding a needle in a haystack, but we wouldn't know if we didn't try," he said.

Since January, the school has also raised \$2,000, which they gave to Walsh for bills or living expenses.

"We just wanted to let her know we were thinking about her. To me, she's like another mother — like family. And that's how Brownell looks at the staff," said Ernst. "She's a very warm, giving person. She doesn't take any garbage from anyone — she is a very strong woman. She's someone who you can always count on, and when she says she's going to do something, she does it."

Ernst said that Walsh has also helped many students get back on track academically. "A lot of parents owe a lot to her because she helped their kids survive middle school or at least get back on track because they were struggling. She's an invaluable part of this school."

The fight against cancer is something that Walsh has experienced before. At age 12, her third son, Andrew, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma — and beat it. All four of her boys are organizing an 800-mile bike ride from Hutchinson, Minn. — where her oldest son, Jeff, lives — to St. Clair Shores to help raise money to help find a cure for the blood disease. They told her about the fundraising journey on Valentine's Day.

"I'm very proud of them and all they are undertaking," Walsh said.

She added that she is eager to get back to work, a move that will have to wait a while — school classrooms are a breeding ground for germs.

"They are just a great community. Even the people who have donated to the fundraisers who probably don't even know me, I really appreciate them," she said, adding her thanks to the district for their help and patience.

"Both the staff and the students go beyond to help anybody out. It touched my heart. It just shows how much they care. I couldn't ask to work with a better bunch."

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St. Clare student moves to state Bee

Seventh-grader Mary Grahame Hunter won the final round of St. Clare of Montefalco School's National Geographic Bee; classmate Matthew Thomas was runner-up.

Hunter goes on to complete a written test that will determine the top 100 state winners. Those competitors will travel to Washington, D.C. for the chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship.

Hunter gave the correct answer to the question, "The 17th century city walls of Londonderry still stand on which European island known as the Emerald Isle?" She is pictured at right, along with Thomas and moderator Mary Jeanne Franzinger.

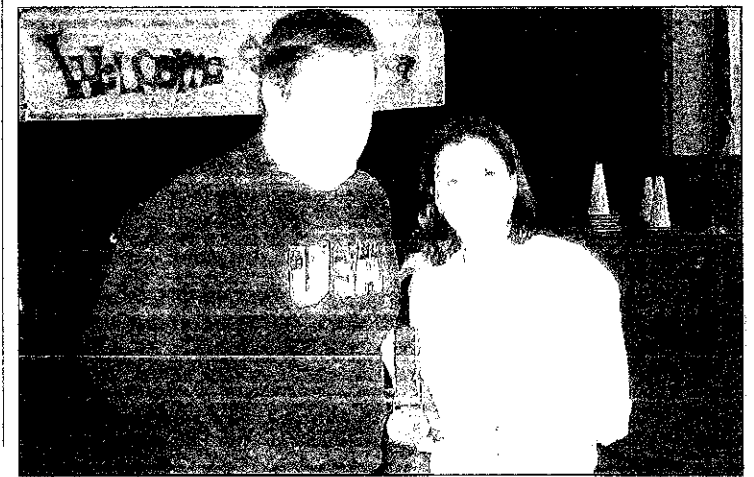


Star team lands in fourth

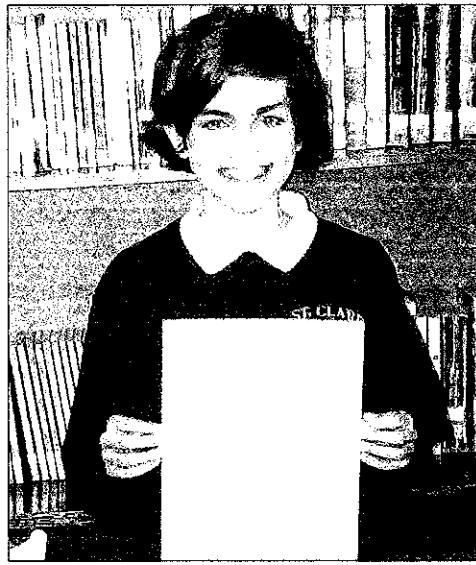
The fifth- and sixth-grade forensics team from Our Lady Star of the Sea School recently competed in the Eastside Catholic Forensics League. Categories included poetry, storytelling, declamation, drama, duo and multiple. The school landed in fourth place overall. Pictured, from left, is Paige Francis and Sydney Suede, who received first place for their duo.

Medalist shares experience

Three-time U.S. Olympian Sheila Taormina visited Defer Elementary School in honor of National Girls and Women in Sports Day. Taormina, who participated in swimming, a triathlon and a pentathlon, talked to the students about goal-setting, perseverance and hard work. She also passed her gold medal around the room for the students to see. Below: Physical education teacher Greg Wolff meets Taormina.



Student gets published



Addison Mauck, a seventh-grader at St. Clare of Montefalco School, was selected to have her writing piece, "My Sanctuary," published in the 2009 Kaleidoscope.

The collection of student writings, assembled by the Michigan Reading Association, is designed to celebrate the talents of young authors, from kindergarten through grade 12.

Mauck is invited to attend a luncheon at the 53rd Michigan Reading Association conference at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids, featuring nationally known author Lester Laminack.

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William Lott Emery

Former Grosse Pointe resident William Lott Emery, 65, of Nokomis, Fla., died Wednesday, March 11, 2009, at his son's residence. He was born in Detroit to Herick Smith and Madline Lott Emery. Mr. Emery was the retired founder and president of Focus Golf System, Inc. and was a member of the Green Valley Country Club and the PGA of America since 1970. He is survived by sons, Andre John Emery and Hardy Lott Emery, both of Greenville, S.C.; stepson, Daniel Andre Nowak of Arkansas; granddaughter, Ella Madden Emery of Greenville; two sisters, Margaret Mossholder of

Lansing and Kathy Swayheart of California and brother, John Emery of Michigan. Memorial donations may be made to the American Junior Golf Association, 1980 Sports Club Drive, Braselton, GA 30517 or The Nature Conservancy, 4245 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, VA 22203. Condolences may be sent to thomasmcafee.com.

Ralph Vigliotti Jr.

Grosse Pointe Park resident Ralph Vigliotti Jr. passed away Tuesday, March 10, 2009. He was 94. Born June 18, 1914, in Detroit, he graduated from Eastern High School and at-

tended the University of Detroit and Michigan State University. An ardent athlete, he was a member of the U.S. Olympic rowing team in 1940. However, World War II forced the cancellation of the games. Mr. Vigliotti was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1941 and saw active duty in the Pacific and European theaters during World War II. He participated in five major battles, including the Battle of the Bulge, and was awarded the Bronze Star with OLC, two Purple Hearts, and Croix de Guerre with Silver Star for his participation in the liberation of France. He rose to the rank of captain during his years of service. Mr. Vigliotti began his real estate career with his father, Ralph Sr. in 1939 selling residential properties on Detroit's

east side. After his World War II service, he continued in residential sales until 1949 when he formed his own company specializing in commercial and industrial real estate. He served as president of the Detroit Board of Realtors in 1967, chairman of the board of zoning appeals of Detroit, president of the Michigan Chapter of the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors, and chairman of the Detroit-Wayne County Joint Building Authority. He was a member of the American Legion Cadillac Post and the 86th Chemical Mortar Battalion Association D Company. Mr. Vigliotti enjoyed a life-long appreciation of rowing and long-time member of the Detroit Boat Club. He rowed well into his 80s. He is survived by his children, Beth Bradbury, R. Thomas (Maureen), Mary McHale (the late Christopher) and Anne Cesario (Mark); grandchildren, Kevin, Mary Grace, Ellen and Tom, and his devoted caregiver, Jessie R. Perry. Mr. Vigliotti was predeceased by his beloved wife, Anne, after 57 years of marriage.



Ralph Vigliotti Jr.

Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Earl Fuller

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Earl Fuller, 85, died Thursday, Dec. 4, 2008. He was born in Columbus, Ohio to Arthur and Florence Fuller and graduated from Central High School in that city.



Earl Fuller

He was a service manager for Fruehauf Corp. in Detroit. Mr. Fuller served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the Michigan Masonic Lodge. He also was a member of Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church where he enjoyed singing in the choir and working at the church's resale shop. Mr. Fuller is survived by his son, Timothy; daughter-in-law, Leslie and brother, Harold. He was predeceased by his wife, Kathryn.

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The Las Vegas readers



Ron and Linda Quick of Grosse Pointe Woods took the Grosse Pointe News along to Las Vegas where they met with family members from California. Ron Quick, Kevin and John Clarke, Mary Ann and Frank Semelsberger, Judy and Mikele Clarke, Linda Quick and Gene Clarke are in front of the Golden Gate, the oldest casino in Las Vegas. 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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Chia plant good for a healthy diet

A growing number of people are finding that an ancient "superfood" has a prominent place in a modern, healthful dietary regimen. The chia plant has a rich history of use in ancient cultures. In pre-Columbian civilizations, chia seeds were used as a high-energy food and were a staple of the daily diet. Some ancient civilizations used chia for the preparation of medicines, nutritional blends, even paints. The ancient Mayan civilization also relied heavily on chia for its dietary needs. Historical records indicate that the Indians of the southwest United States also ate chia to boost endurance for running and other physical activities. When the Spanish came to the Americas in the 16th century, they abolished the use of certain native crops such as chia because of its association with religion. And for nearly 400 years, chia was grown only in small quantities in isolated areas of Mexico and Central America. In 1991, the Northwestern Argentina Regional Project was established by farmers and public agencies in Argentina, Bolivia and the United States to study and produce alternative crops such as chia. Researchers recommended its production to improve both the economic prospects for South American farmers and the nutrition of Western diets. Today, chia is considered an excellent source of protein, calcium, fiber, vitamins and minerals. In addition, chia oil is one of the richest sources of omega-3 fatty acids.

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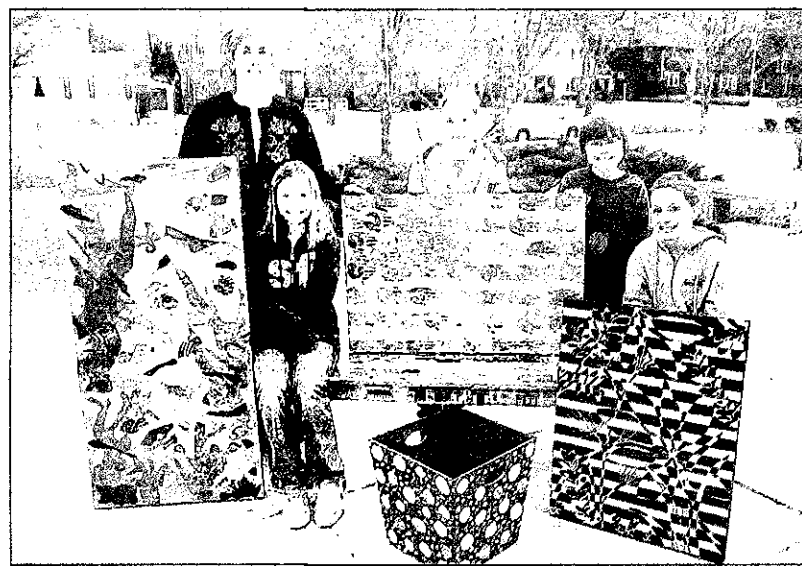


St. Clare visits 'Oz'

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School transports the audience to Kansas, Munchkinland and the Emerald City Thursday, March 26 through Saturday, March 28, with the musical stage performance of "The Wizard of Oz." Performances begin at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fries Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Advanced tickets are available for \$10 by calling (313) 647-5100 or by calling (313) 647-5100 or by visiting stclarem.org/school. General admission seating is sold at the door.

Directed by St. Clare music and drama teacher Kim Korba and her husband, Russ, the play involves 115 students, 104 of which perform and 11 assist in supporting roles of makeup, stage work and ushering. Paul Roache conducts a live orchestra of 14 professional musicians. Dorothy is played by Arjanah Slaughter and her friends, Scarecrow, Tin Man and Cowardly Lion, by Joseph Colina, Charles DeDene and Patrick Roache, respectively. The Wicked Witch of the West, Jewel Evans, fights for the ruby red slippers as Glinda the Good Witch, played by Mary Grahame Hunter, helps Dorothy and her friends.

Auction to raise funds for classroom technology



Kerby Elementary School holds its tri-annual auction at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

The event, one of the school's largest fundraisers for the year, will feature both live and silent auctions with items from home and garden to fashion and jewelry to signed sports memorabilia and entertainment. The auction will also include a 50/50 raffle and a pick-a-prize raffle from tickets sold prior to the auction. The

goal of the event, "Dream Big...The World Awaits," is to raise money for technology in each classroom and to provide enrichment opportunities for students and staff. Tickets are \$30 per person. The evening includes an international buffet and cash bar. Call the Kerby office at (313) 432-4201 for tickets or information, or visit kerbyauction.org. Pictured with Principal Maureen Bur are student council members, from left, Callie Zingas, Maggie Wright, Justin Vorhees and Maddy Roeske.

Hear North's music groups

The Grosse Pointe North High School bands and orchestras present their spring concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 at the Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Admission is free.

Featured songs are those being performed at the competitive event, "Festival Disney" April 3 in Orlando.

South art on display

Grosse Pointe South High School's 28th annual Art Fest runs Tuesday, March 24 through Saturday, March 28, in Cleminson Hall.

The event features several hundred works on display, ranging from drawings and paintings to sculpture and jewelry. Students selling their artwork will donate 20 percent of the proceeds to the Robert R. Rathbun Memorial Fund, which was established for scholarships, art awards and enrichment activities for students.

The event opens Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. with awards presented at 8 p.m. in the South auditorium. The festival continues from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday; and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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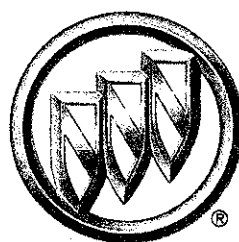
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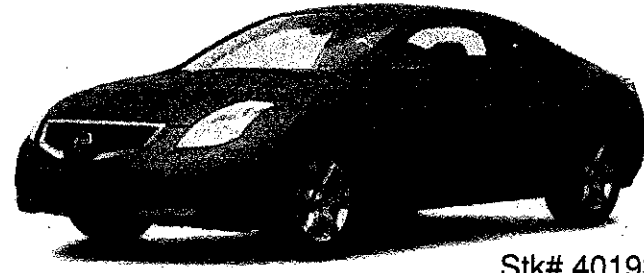
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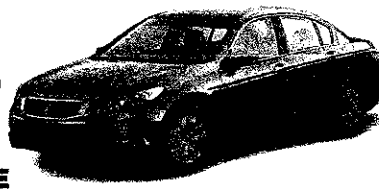
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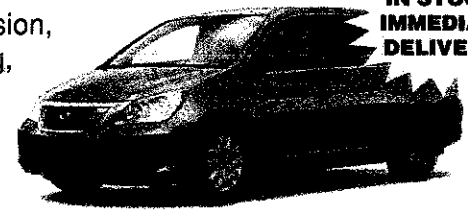
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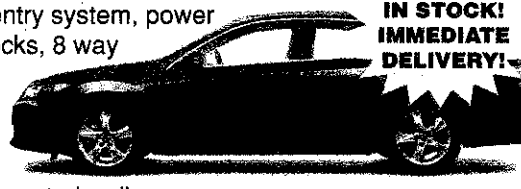
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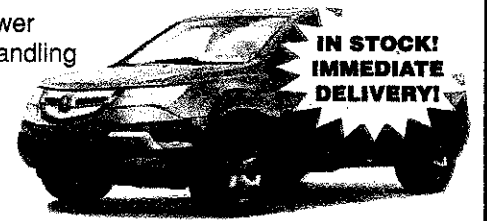
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Strong design elements make the 2010 Lexus RX aerodynamic and elegant. This luxury utility has a multitude of safety features to help drivers predict and avoid accidents.

2010 Lexus RX bows in Georgia



The 2010 Lexus RX 350 and 450h will look much like the preceding generation of the luxury crossover vehicle.

It's Lexus' most popular nameplate, with sales of slightly more than 80,000 units last year. The five passenger, four door RX won such favor with its more recent body, the company decided to make only minor tweaks to its outward appearance of this third generation.

But there are unseen changes that should interest owners and intenders. The 3.5-liter V-6 under the hood was revised and now develops 275 horsepower, a new rear suspension that adds to storage space in the rear compartment, and rear-seat mounted side air bags bring the total number of these passive restraints to 10.

"New front quarter windows and a change in the angle of the enlarged rear window improve driver visibility," said Al Smith, Lexus vice president of customer services, at a press preview in Sea Island, GA.

"Hill start control, a six-speed automatic transmission and pre-collision safety systems are other new features for 2010," said Smith.

A spoiler atop the rear window incorporates the antenna and hides the window's wiper, sheltering it from the vagaries



2010 Lexus RX 350

of winter weather, not to mention those of the local car wash.

Paul Santuli, Lexus technical specialist, described individually designed and engineered underbody panels that keep interior sound levels down. The wheelbase and overall length on the 2010 RX are a little longer, the body is 1.6 inches wider and front and rear wheel tracks are wider. There are new outside mirror-integrated turn signals to remind you — and other drivers — of your intentions.

A remote touch system with center console mouse-like control will allow owners who opt for the navigation system to use features including climate control, entertainment and wireless communication by clicking on the proper icons on the newly recessed information screen deep on top of the instrument panel. No more iffy touchscreen with its finger prints or invisibility in certain lighting conditions.

A backup camera, with camera in the rear door or liftgate, is available with or without a navigation system. It will display its picture in a corner of the rearview mirror or on the 8-inch navigation system screen. It operates whenever the vehicle is in reverse with the engine on.

A new wideview side monitor utilizes a side television camera on the right side of the RX. It is designed to capture areas on the passenger side of the vehicle with front bias and side bias views. It has a manual mode and an automatic mode of operation. Its view is pictured on the navigation screen.

Santuli enjoyed telling reporters about the "new" automatic high beam feature. He began by asking if anyone re-



membered the dashboard-mounted eye on the 1960 Cadillac that could spot the headlights of oncoming traffic and automatically lower the driver's beams.

The sensor on the 2010 Lexus RX is on the back of the rearview mirror. It will turn off the car's high beams before an oncoming vehicle comes within a half-mile and some 2,000 feet when the driver is approaching a car ahead traveling in the same direction. This feature comes in a comfort package with the available high-intensity headlights.

Santuli explained why there are added cubic inches in the



Reporters take a brief break from testing a half-dozen 2010 Lexus RX gasoline and gas-electric hybrid models on St. Simons Island off the coast of Georgia.

rear storage area. The redesigned rear suspension eliminated the tall towers of the MacPherson struts, which were using covered space in the inside rear. The area is now flatter and wider.

He also pointed out the bottom cushion of the power/memory driver and passenger seats can be extended forward about one inch for added thigh support.

Like heads-up display? It's available on the 2010 RX350 and RX 450h and can be switched on and off.

Lexus seemed pleased to offer a purse storage space within the center console. But women reporters at the sessions, Teresa Bravo from Miami, found even a fairly small purse did not fit well in the allotted spot. There was no way a mid-size handbag or tote could be stored there.

An ego-deflator was the voice activated wireless communication set up that allowed one to speak to it in English, Spanish and French. Trying to enter a phone number in the

last of these proved unsuccessful, despite articulating in one's very finest French accent.

The XM satellite radio system is capable of providing real-time local weather conditions. The optional entertainment system with DVD player offers two screens, one on the back of each front seat. Rear seat passengers can enjoy a movie on one and a video game on the other.

The 2010 Lexus RX 350 arrives at dealerships this month. It is available with front drive and all-wheel drive. Smith said prices start at \$36,800 for the front-drive model and \$38,200 for the all-wheel-drive version.

The hybrid 2010 Lexus RX 450h is not yet available, nor is its pricing.

Lexus said there are more than 789,000 RX crossovers on the road today. The RX has been available since the 1999 model year. Best sales were a couple of years ago when dealers delivered more than 100,000. Dealers at 226 locations hope to sell 85,000 RX models this year, Smith said.

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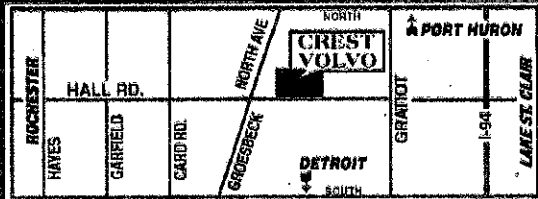
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Closet Connection

The Closet Connection recently relocated to 20427 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, and has been in business for more than 20 years. Staff members help organize, arrange and custom design rooms, closets, offices, entertainment centers and garages. A specialized software is used to create a custom solution design featuring Earth-friendly materials. "No closet is too small," said Christine Wurm, Closet Connection co-owner. The business's motto is "Don't move, improve." For more information, call (313) 884-1818 or visit closetconnections.com. Attending the ribbon cutting ceremony were, from left, Jenny Boettcher, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce; Dave Wurm; Christine Wurm, co-owner; Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke; David Quint, co-owner; Alyssa Quint; Krystian Quint; Maria Quint and Grosse Pointe Woods City Administrator Mark Wollenweber.

Programs help consumers shop smarter

In these challenging economic times, consumers are increasingly looking for ways to reduce spending without drastically altering their lifestyles.

What many may not realize is the key to stretching dollars isn't always about spending less; sometimes it's simply a matter of shopping smarter. Here are a few tips:

- ◆ Compare prices.
- ◆ Buy staples first, then re-evaluate the budget for additional wants.
- ◆ Plan a shopping list in advance to avoid buying unnecessary items.
- ◆ Seek out in-store sales and look for coupons, many of

which are posted online.

Stay on the lookout for special online-only deals as well, such as free shipping.

◆ Buy store brand or generic when possible. They generally have the same ingredients but can cost up to 50 percent less than name-brand items.

◆ Shop for groceries after eating and on a full stomach. You'll be less inclined to purchase food you don't need.

◆ Look for in-store savings programs designed to help consumers get more out of the money they spend.

For example, some grocery stores offer special pricing for consumers who sign up for a

discount card.

◆ Look for specially marked areas on retailers' websites

◆ Consumers can get even more for their money by using store credit cards that may

counts.

◆ Buying in bulk when the unit price is less can help save money.

◆ Take advantage of rebate offers.

Smart shopping is all about getting quality products at the

right prices.

Looking for special value programs can be a useful, convenient way to get more for your money.

—NAPSI

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Treasure Trove awning is OK'd

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The owner of a new antique store in the Village is making his business more visible by putting up an oversized awning.

Dr. Mason Maddow, owner of Treasure Trove antiques and consignments, received permission this week to hang the awning from the front facade of his store at 16847 Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Treasure Trove occupies space formerly held by Initials.

Members of the city council approved the awning despite its 11.3 square feet exceeding the allowable limit of 10 square feet.

"We recommend approval of the sign," said Seth Shpargel, principal planner of McKenna Associates, the city's planning consultants. "The proposed sign area is consistent with the nearby Sanders sign on the same building, which is 11 square feet in area. Therefore, the city could permit the in-

creased sign area."

Maddow's black and wheat-colored awning will list the company name and services in black and shadowed lettering.

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Women safety seminar on March 30

A "Women and Safety Seminar" will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, March 30, at the Henry Ford Cottage Hospital Conference Room, 159 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms.

The free seminar is sponsored by Wayne County Community College District and Henry Ford Cottage Hospital. Refreshments will be served.

"Tools to Increase Your Personal Safety" is the title of the presentation by safety experts: Daniel Jensen, Grosse Pointe Farms public safety director; Detective Michael McCarthy; Detective Rick Good; and Lt. Detective Richard Rosati, all with the Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety.

The safety awareness forum is designed to help women recognize danger signals, reduce risk and avoidance to less likely be a target of crime.

A local woman, recently held at gunpoint in a church park-

ing lot in Harper Woods, will share her experience. Her assailant pushed a gun to her stomach and demanded money.

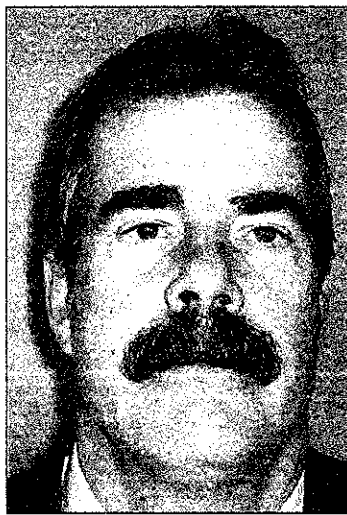
"He came from out of nowhere," the victim told Crime Stoppers. "I didn't have my purse with me, so he demanded that I get in the car."

She refused, knowing it would only make the situation worse. The more he demanded she get in the car, the more adamant she became.

"He was very angry at me but he decided to run away. I consider myself very fortunate that I wasn't shot."

The Harper Woods police told her this wasn't the first time they'd heard of women being confronted. Other women had also reported they were approached the same way by a group of young men.

"Over the years, I received several e-mails that suggested you should never to get in the car if at all possible, and reminded victims to make



Dan Jensen

noise," the victim said. "So now, I follow these rules when I walk to my car: keys in hand — not in my purse — with a finger close to the alarm button."

Women can register to attend the seminar by calling Surtsey Productions Inc. at (313) 884-7878 or visit 73 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe



Richard Rosati

Farms. Registration is limited.

Public safety officers

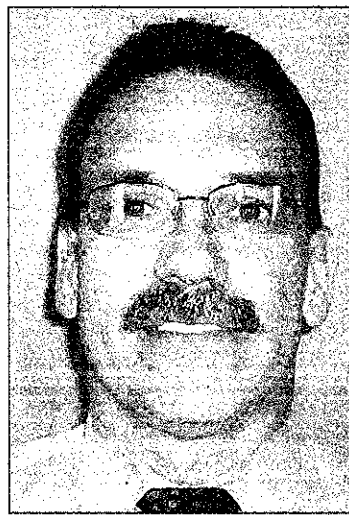
◆ Dan Jensen, director of public safety and chief of police, Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Safety, is a 31-year veteran. He began his career as a patrol officer and was promoted to detective in 1986.



Mike McCarthy

Jensen holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and an associate's degree in business management from Northwood Institute. As a community activist, he has been instrumental in public safety programs throughout the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

◆ Richard Rosati, detective



Rick Good

lieutenant, Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety, has been a police officer for 23 years, 18 years in the Farms and five years in Detroit in the 7th precinct. He was promoted to sergeant in 1999 and lieutenant in 2002. He current-

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► **Where are the classes held?** The Assumption Cultural Center

► **Contact Information:**

Email: president@afgrossepointe.org
Phone number: 1-248-565-1957
Website: www.afgrossepointe.org

Beginner/Intermediate:

These classes are designed for students to understand and incorporate familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases. They will allow students to ask and answer questions and to engage in simple conversations with others.

Thursdays: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, starting March 26th.

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Students learn how to understand the main ideas of a complex text; interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity; produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects, and express viewpoints on topical issues.

Thursdays: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm, starting March 26th.

THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

ATTENTION: FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANIES

The Grosse Pointe Public School System is requesting proposals for school food service management services. The Food Service Management Company will provide management services according to United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations and guidelines as well as State of Michigan Department of Education policies and guidelines.

Food Service Management Companies and/or their representatives may submit proposals to:

The Grosse Pointe Public School System
389 St. Clair
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Attn: Isha Smith

The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or to accept the proposal that it finds, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the school district.

A pre-bid meeting will not be scheduled. A copy of the RFP will be available at 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230 or by email at isha.smith@gpschools.org on March 27, 2009. Potential bidders are asked to email their questions to Isha Smith at email address isha.smith@gpschools.org by April 6, 2009. The school district will email its response to these questions by April 10, 2009.

All proposals must be submitted no later than April 17, 2009. All proposals should be delivered in a sealed envelope and addressed to Grosse Pointe Public Schools District and be clearly marked: Food Service Management Proposal.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Nine suspensions

A 31-year-old Detroit woman with a record of nine driving suspensions and an unspecified warrant from Grosse Pointe Woods was caught at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 14, operating a red Ford Explorer on eastbound Mack near St. Clair.

A patrolman noticed the Explorer carried an expired license plate traced to a Chevrolet Malibu.

"The driver had no license and said she was suspended," said the officer.

—Brad Lindberg
If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Home invasion

Police aren't sure what items burglars may have stolen between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, March 14, from a ransacked house in the 200 block of Williams.

The homeowners were out of town during the incident and have been asked to provide officers with a list of missing possessions.

A friend of the victims discovered the break-in while checking the house Saturday afternoon.

"At approximately 3 p.m., (the friend) entered with a key

through the locked side door (and) observed cabinet doors opened throughout the first floor," said an investigating officer.

A burglar or burglars are believed to have entered the house by smashing a ground-floor window with a brick.

"No neighbors observed anyone, nor did they hear glass breakage," said an officer.

Aurora stolen

A white 1999 Oldsmobile Aurora belonging to a Grosse Pointe Woods woman was reported stolen while parked between 8 and 9 p.m. Thursday, March 12, in the Mack alley behind a store near Moross.

15 suspensions

A 38-year-old Detroit man with 15 driving suspensions was caught at 4:02 p.m. Thursday, March 12, on eastbound Mack near Moross operating a white 2001 Pontiac Grand Am with an expired license plate.

Drug arrest

The City of Grosse Pointe's police dog helped Farms officers at 2:01 a.m. Tuesday, March 10, arrest a 27-year-old Detroit man for possession of 6.2 grams of marijuana.

The arrest stemmed from a traffic stop on Moross north of Mack.

Raleigh the dog searched the man's gold-colored 1994 Ford Explorer and indicated

the presence illegal narcotics in the area of the driver-side door.

"(The driver) admitted he had marijuana in his left sleeve," said an officer. "(I) found five dime bags of suspected marijuana inside a plastic bag."

Farms police impounded the man's vehicle and held him for pickup on outstanding warrants by authorities from Monroe, Muskegon and Wyoming, Mich.

—Brad Lindberg
If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Park

Not locked

A Nottingham resident reported a set of men's golf clubs, two bicycles, a tile saw, a snowboard and four softball bats missing from an unlocked garage Monday, March 9.

Statues moved

Two cement statues, both 3 feet tall and weighing 150 pounds each, were taken from a front porch on Westchester sometime between Monday, March 9, and Tuesday, March 10.

Bad-luck window

A large brick was thrown through a window of a home on Bishop Friday, March 13. There was no entry to the home.

—Kathy Ryan

Grosse Pointe Shores

Limb falls

Public safety officers at 2:02 a.m. Saturday, March 14, removed a large tree limb that

fell and blocked Crestwood Drive.

Fox & coyote

At about 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, an unknown caller reported seeing a possible fox in the area of Webber Place.

"(The caller) stated the animal had a bone in its mouth," said a public safety dispatcher.

An officer dispatched to the scene found the animal between houses but was unable to get near it.

A public safety dispatcher received multiple reports at approximately 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 11, of a coyote at-large in the area of Lakeshore and Deeplands.

Turf damaged

Significant turf damage and possible broken lawn sprinklers were discovered the morning of Wednesday, March 11, in the 800 block of Lakeshore. Damage included between the curb and sidewalk near South Edgewood and on the median at South Edgewood.

Wind damage

High winds during the day and evening of Tuesday, March 10, caused electrical wires to spark on Stratton Place and behind a house on Fairford.

Public safety officials evaluated the danger and notified DTE Energy repair crews.

Extra protection

Public safety officers have boosted patrols on Greenbriar Lane due to a resident at noon Monday, March 9, finding a cinder block propped outside his house under a bedroom window.

"(The resident) stated the block is not his and doesn't have any idea where it came from," said a patrolman.

A family member recalled hearing a strange noise between 4 and 6 a.m., but disregarded it as a newspaper carrier.

Drunk driving

A 30-year-old Detroit man was arrested at 1:30 a.m. Monday, March 9, for driving drunk on southbound Lakeshore.

The man initially refused to take a Breathalyzer test. At 3:50 a.m., he changed his mind and registered a .20 percent blood alcohol content, said police. He was wanted on two outstanding warrants for failure to appear in court on a Detroit drunken driving arrest and a charge in Hazel Park of driving while suspended.

Shores officers impounded the man's 2003 Range Rover.

—Brad Lindberg
If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Just in time

A Manchester resident returned home at 1:45 a.m. Monday, March 16, and found damage to a relative's Chrysler

mini van parked in the street. All of the doors were open and the ignition was damaged. He noticed a GMC Yukon with two occupants fleeing the area. A hockey bag taken from the mini van was found several blocks away.

Damaged car

The owner of a car parked on Fairholm reported to police at 9 p.m. Sunday, March 15, that he witnessed a dark-colored SUV approach his car and throw a white substance on it. Police were able to locate the SUV, but its occupants denied any knowledge of the incident. Police believe it may be related to a similar incident in Grosse Pointe Farms and continue to investigate.

Hit and Run

Police are seeking a silver Saturn with considerable front-end damage that was involved in a hit and run incident at 10 p.m. Saturday, March 14. A black Buick, parked on Brys, sustained considerable damage in the crash.

—Kathy Ryan

SEMINAR: Farms cops to speak

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ly serves as commanding officer of the detective bureau which is responsible for the investigation of crimes and internal affairs.

◆Mike McCarthy, detective, Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety, has been a Farms police officer for 28 years and a detective for

the last 19 years. He graduated with a bachelor's of science in law enforcement technology and a master's of liberal studies from Eastern Michigan University.

◆Rick Good, detective, Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety, has been a police officer for 23 years with the Farms and a detective for the last 19 years. He is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and holds a master's degree in liberal studies and serves as an adjunct professor in the law enforcement program at Macomb Community College.

GIRLS LACROSSE

South to host clinic

The 2009 Grosse Pointe South Womens Lacrosse Team is offering a preseason clinic Saturday, April 4 for the community.

The clinic runs from 9 a.m. to noon for girls in grades 3-8.

The clinic will be run by members of the 2009 team under the direction of varsity coach Lauren Germaine. It will be held in the main gym

and stadium field at South, weather permitting.

Instruction will focus on stick work, small game situations and shooting.

No prior experience is necessary.

The cost of the clinic is \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door, and includes a T-shirt.

Call (313) 881-3848 to receive a registration form.

Student-athlete heart checks offered

Free heart screenings for student athletes are being offered from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 21 at the Beaumont St. Clair Shores Family Medicine Center, 21400 11 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores.

The in-depth heart screenings to identify the potential risk of sudden cardiac death in student athletes include a medical history, blood pressure assessment and an ECG. Echocardiograms will be provided, if needed.

The screening looks for evidence of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, a serious condi-

tion that causes sudden cardiac death in young athletes. The screenings are being offered by Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe and the St. Clair Shores Family Medicine Center.

"The student spends about 30 minutes being screened," says Georges Ghafari, M.D., chief of cardiology at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe. "Those 30 minutes may save a life by preventing sudden cardiac death in a student athlete."

Registration is required, call Beaumont Physician Referral toll free at 1-800-633-7377.

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan
BOARD OF REVIEW
Meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2009 Assessment Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
and
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
and
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2009
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
and
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
and
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.
Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at (313) 640-1618. You may also petition the Board in writing through the mail if you cannot make the hearing dates. These letters HAVE TO BE IN THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 6th.
TIMOTHY E. O'DONNELL
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City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN
SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
March 9, 2009
The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers, Joseph, Davis, III, Theros, Leonard, Waldmeir.
Absent Were: Councilmember Roby.
Also Present: Messrs. Burgess, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Public Service Director; Huhn, Parks & Recreation Director; Jensen, Director Public Safety.
Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.
Councilman Roby was excused from attending the Meeting.
The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 9, 2009, were approved as submitted.
The Council approved the Site Plan Review for the Crescent Sail Yacht Club, subject to approval of the Zoning Board of Appeals.
The Council, acting as a Zoning Board of Appeals, approved the Minutes of the Public Hearing held on November 10, 2008, granted the appeal of the Crescent Sail Yacht Club, 276 Lake Shore, granted the General Use Exemption for 381 Kercheval Avenue.
The following Reports were received by the Council and ordered placed on file:
• 2008 Public Safety Annual Report
• Public Safety Department Reports for January/February 2009
Immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session was held to discuss certain labor matters.
Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC. INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE: www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/
James C. Farquhar Jr.
Mayor
Matthew J. Tepper
City Clerk
GPN: 3/19/2009

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Grosse Pointe Woods will hold a public hearing on the proposed City of Grosse Pointe Woods Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons. The hearing will be held in the City Council chambers at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236.
The purpose of the proposed project is to make structural repairs to sanitary sewer mains and manholes in the road right of ways and easements. Project construction will involve rehabilitating sections of deteriorating sewer mains by means of installing a cured-in-place pipe within the existing pipe or removing and reinstalling a new pipe, large diameter pointing and sealing of pipe joints and defects, and rehabilitation of manholes showing evidence of severe deterioration. Negative impacts of the project are a short term increase in noise and air pollution and inconveniences to the general public due to construction operations. The estimated construction cost for the proposed project will be approximately five (5) million dollars.
Copies of the plan outlining the proposed project will be available starting at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, for review at the following location:
Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office
20025 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236
Written comments received before the hearing record will be closed at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 27, 2009. Written comments should be sent to:
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Notice is hereby given that after May 1st of this year the provisions of Chapter 46, Vegetation, Article IV, Weeds, Brush and Grass will be enforced. This article requires the owner or occupant to cut, destroy or remove weeds, brush and grass that is six (6) inches high or more. In the case of noncompliance, the owner or occupant of the land shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the city in connection with such cutting or destruction plus a 30 percent administrative fee. If the charges are not paid within 30 days after billing, payment shall be deemed delinquent and shall be enforceable as a tax lien against the land.
Any person who violates any of the provisions of Article IV of Chapter 46 shall, in addition to the other obligations imposed thereby or by other applicable law, be responsible for a municipal civil infraction and subject to a civil fine.
Lisa Kay Hathaway, MMC
City Clerk
G.P.N.: 3/19/2009

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Grosse Pointe Woods will hold a public hearing on the proposed City of Grosse Pointe Woods Water System Rehabilitation Project for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons. The hearing will be held in the City Council chambers at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236.
The purpose of the proposed project is to repair or improve various components of the existing water main system. Project construction will involve rehabilitating sections of deteriorating or undersized water mains by means of removing and reinstalling a new pipe, constructing an above ground water storage tank, and replacing the existing water meter reading system with an automatic meter reading system. Negative impacts of the project are a short term increase in noise and air pollution, temporary interruption in water service in areas where water main replacement occurs, and inconveniences to the general public due to construction operations. The proposed project will include several water main capital improvement projects as well as approximately two (2) million dollars for an above ground water storage tank, and (1) million dollars for the installation of an automatic water meter reading system.
Copies of the plan outlining the proposed project will be available starting at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, for review at the following location:
Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office
20025 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236
Written comments received before the hearing record will be closed at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 27, 2009. Written comments should be sent to:
City of Grosse Pointe Woods' Clerks Office
20025 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236
Lisa Kay Hathaway, MMC
City Clerk
G.P.N.: 3/19/2009

Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS®



2009

HOME & GARDEN

EXPO

★ SATURDAY, MARCH 21 ★

The Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS® will showcase their commitment to Grosse Pointe with its 22nd Annual Home & Garden Expo from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Saturday, March 21. The free event will feature some 70 exhibitors specializing in every aspect related to your home. Experts include painters, remodelers, home inspectors, florists, landscapers, roofers and more. They will be happy to offer ideas and tips for home improvements you might have in mind this spring. "This is our way of getting local vendors together with the community they serve," said George Smale, board president. "They have the answers people want when it comes to home improvements. It's nice to be able to go to one location for assistance."

The Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS® is celebrating its 24th anniversary of service to the Grosse Pointes. It was founded to better serve the real estate needs of the Grosse Pointe Community. It also fosters networking of its members on a professional basis.

"We are focused on the education of our members and making sure that residents in the community are aware of issues that affect one of their largest investments - their property," Smale said.

Member contributions have supported policy initiatives at the state and national levels as well. Supporting the #3 Advocacy group in Lansing, it boasts many recent accomplishments that directly affect homeowners in the Pointes and across Michigan, such as encouraging elimination of

The Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS® will hold its 22nd annual Home & Garden Expo from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The event is free. Parking is free.

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The board also recently hosted the 2nd Annual Property Tax Assessment Seminar. This free, informational meeting for the public regarding property tax assessments and the appeals process

featured an experienced panel including a local tax assessor, an appraiser and two broker members who have sat on the tax appeal boards of review in the Pointes. An informational brochure and sample worksheet was distributed. Questions raised by citizens anxious to learn more about the process were raised as well.

The Home & Garden Expo typically draws more than 1,000 people every year, said Bobbi Sexton, chief executive officer of the board. Not only does it get vendors together with the community, the Expo will offer door prizes, drawings, demonstrations, handouts and much more. This year, we are pleased to welcome

Pewabic Pottery, Iron Ivy, Longaberger Baskets, and Madge and Gert Soy Candles, who will be offering many of their items for purchase.

The Expo is just one of several community involvement projects the Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS® in engaged in this year. Our 2nd Annual Art & Garden Tour is scheduled for Saturday, July 25 and will showcase local artisans and gardens. "We serve the community on a daily basis," Sexton said.

"When we started this show 22 years ago, we had no idea how big it would become. Many of our vendors come back year after year because of the outstanding turn out of serious shopper attendees, the mix of service providers and, of course, the location - one of our community gems, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. This event draws people not only from the Pointes, but from the entire metro Detroit area. It is a lot of work for the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtor® members who plan and work the show, but it's also a lot of fun!"

*Cheryl Gauss, Vice President,
Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors® and
2009 Home & Garden Expo Chair*



★ Proceeds from the Home & Garden Expo benefit Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS® projects such as the landscaping and maintenance of the corner where Warren meets Mack, distribution of Easter baskets to local families in need, Christmas toy donations to Southwest Solutions, donations to the Foundation for Exceptional Children and several other local groups and charities.

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Knowing that the best of the best college basketball teams will compete in **NCAA Men's Final Four** at Ford Field is generating more than the normal excitement about the annual tournament.

Final four fervor

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The NCAA Final Four at Ford Field is merely a couple weeks away.

After the fourth team gets its ticket punched to head to Detroit for college basketball's pinnacle, thousands of fans will head downtown to cheer on their team.

For the record, the Final Four is Saturday, April 4, with the first national semifinal slated for 6:07 p.m. The second game is 40 minutes after the conclusion of game one.

The National Championship Game is Monday, April 6, with tip-off scheduled for 9:21 p.m. Fortunately for fans, Michigan State University has a shot to advance to the Final Four.

Fans not only get to watch the games at Ford Field, but they can enjoy many other events during the weekend of the Final Four and the week leading up to it.

"The NCAA's Men's Final Four is a celebration for student-athletes spanning several



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Ford Field is the host of the 2009 NCAA Final Four, starting Saturday, April 4, and concluding with the national championship game Monday, April 6.

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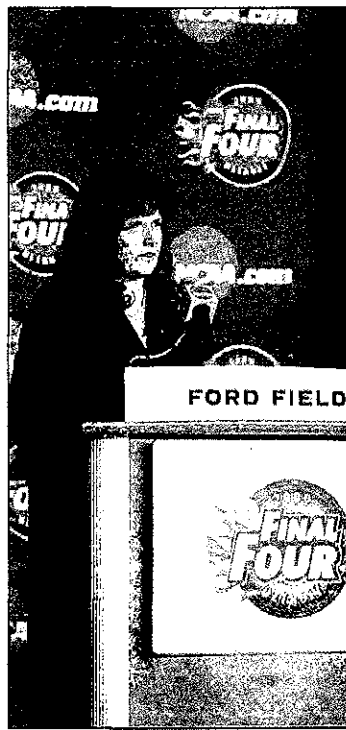


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Keri Gaither, UDM athletic director and DLOC executive director, gives details to the audience during a February press conference regarding the upcoming **NCAA Final Four**.

FINAL FOUR: Welcome fans, teams, media

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days and ending with the basketball championship," said Greg Shaheen, the NCAA's senior vice president for basketball and business strategies, during a February press conference.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Local residents and soon-to-be visitors from the four schools that make the Final Four will see plenty of signs like this traveling on the freeways leading to Detroit.

"It is the largest basketball event in the world and the city of Detroit will welcome fans and media from around the country, while showcasing its venues and once again demonstrating its ability to successfully host world-class sporting events.

"The entire Detroit metro community will be able to participate in the Final Four, regardless if they have tickets to the games."

On the court, team practices begin at noon Friday, April 3, and are open to the public free of charge.

The same day, the college all-star game takes place following practices. Two teams of players selected by coaches from around the country will play in the game that is also free to the public.

Interested parties can also visit the **NCAA Hoop City** in which fans of all ages can run, jump, shoot and play until the final buzzer. This Ford Field

event offers basketball competitions, clinics, performances, photo opportunities, prizes, the chance to experience other NCAA sports, autograph sessions and surprise appearances.

A celebrity-filled festival will be held in downtown Detroit featuring multi-day entertainment Friday, April 3, through Sunday, April 5.

The **YES Clinics**, Saturday, April 4, will also draw fans. College coaches present instructional skill sessions in basketball while NCAA life skill coordinators conduct sessions in personal enrichment. Parents also participate by attending their own information session.

Also scheduled for April 4, the **Road to the Final Four 5K Run/Walk** brings participants on a course along Detroit's Riverwalk. Entry fee includes a commemorative long-sleeved Nike T-shirt for the first 1,000 registrants. There is free ad-

mission to Hoop City and a chance to win 2009 NCAA Men's Final Four tickets.

Proceeds benefit the **United Way of Southeastern Michigan Early Learning Communities**.

Youths, 18 years of age and younger, can dribble through the streets of downtown Detroit to Hoop City as part of the **NCAA Final Four Dribble** event Sunday, April 5.

In addition, the **NCAA Middle School Madness** program combines teamwork from the NCAA and the Detroit Local Organizing Committee that invites middle schools to participate. The program includes resources, lesson plans and activities designed to challenge young people to strive for higher levels of achievement in both athletics and academics.

"As host NCAA institution for the 2009 NCAA Men's Final Four, the University of Detroit Mercy has been working closely with the Detroit Local Organizing Committee and the local business and civic community for more than 18 months to make this the best Final Four in NCAA history and to provide an exciting array of fun for locals and visitors and to also leave a positive Final Four legacy for Detroit," said Keri Gaither, UDM athletic director and DLOC chair, at the same press conference.

"We expect that the 2009 NCAA Men's Final Four will create a new economic model for the NCAA when we set an attendance record of more than 70,000 fans in the fantastic setting of Ford Field in downtown Detroit," said Bill Ryan, DLOC executive director.

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Get real, Beaupre. There's no reason to be bored.

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AREA ACTIVITIES



Squadron's ball

The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron Commander's Ball on Feb. 7 honored incoming Commander Chester Dunbar Jr. From left, Lt. Cmdr. Blaise Klenow, Lt. Cmdr. Joan McCarron, Lt. Cmdr. Michael Pipia, Dunbar, Lt. Cmdr. Michael Babiarz and Staff Cmdr. John Bennett. Power squadron members promote safe boating through education. For more information and class schedules, contact the squadron at gpps@comcast.net or visit the website gpps-d9.org.

7511 or visit warmemorial.org.

Women's Connection

Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe hosts "Step into Spring Fashionably" beginning at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 26, at Lochmoor Club.

Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. followed by speaker Nancy Sellers, manager of the Dress Barn. She will show the latest in women's spring fashions and explain how to put together the most economical look.

For reservations, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855 or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201. The cost is \$27 for members and \$29 for nonmembers. For the program only, the cost is \$5.

Partners in Parenting

Assessing and Addressing Autism from birth to age 6 is the topic of an enrichment lecture from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe Connelly Auditorium 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe.

Lori Warner, director of HOPE Center, Beaumont — Center for Human Development, Berkley, is the speaker.

For more information about the free program, call The Family Center at (313) 432-3832 or visit info@familycenter.org.

Fashion show

A fashion show to benefit the Michigan Retired Greyhounds as Pets will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at the River Bank Golf Club, 24095 Currie, South Lyon. Reservations may be made by calling (248) 921-4041. The cost is \$35.

DSO

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra bookends its "Boléro" concerts with Ravel's "Suite No. 2" from Daphnis et Chloé and Boléro.

Conducted by Susanna Mälkki, the concerts will feature pianist Peter Serkin playing Stravinsky's "Movements for Piano and Orchestra" and Messiaen's "Couleurs de la Cité Celeste." Concerts are at 10:45 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., Friday, March 27 and at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28 in Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit.

Neighborhood Club classes

Improv workshop — The Neighborhood Club is offering business professionals and educators an improv workshop from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 2.

This is an educational and

fun workshop that covers the principles of improv and teaches tools that can be used in everyday life.

A discount is provided for those registering with a friend or colleague. Register by Wednesday, March 25 to be eligible for an additional discount. The fee is \$15 or \$24 for a pair. After March 25, the cost is \$19 and \$28 for two people.

Hand painted furniture — Led by instructor Erin Maday, "Recycle and Reuse - Hand Painted Furniture" will concentrate on the steps necessary to revamp an existing piece of wood furniture with a little sandpaper and paint. The class meets from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. through April 4.

The cost is \$80.

Students will learn to bring out the best in old furniture through different techniques, including distressing and lettering, how to apply sealer to protect the "new" piece. The supply list will be available at the time of registration.

Pre-school drawing — Young students interested in learning how to draw can register for Young Rembrandts Pre-School Drawing. This class is designed for students ages 4-5.

The class meets from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Mondays through April 27. There will be no class on Monday, April 13. The class costs \$68.

Each week Sue Menck will teach students something new, how to draw a fish, teddy bear, rainbow or cowboy and to talk about the subject.

Classes emphasize drawing and coloring with attention to fine motor skills, focus, staying on task, spatial organization and patience.

Registration for any class may be done online at neighborhoodclub.org or in person at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. Registration hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information, call (313) 885-4600.

Golf ready

Golfers can prepare for the upcoming seasons with a GolfFitness group session, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, sponsored by Henry Ford Hospital's Center for Athletic Medicine Physical Therapy, 6525 Second, Detroit.

Stretching routines designed specifically for golfers are known to have positively impacted the games of many professionals and can play a major role in helping GolfFitness participants achieve consistent results on the course.

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Each participant will receive a GolfFitness exercise booklet. Sessions cost \$40. Call (313) 972-4167 to register.

Crafters needed

Henry Ford Cottage Hospital



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Orator

Toni Hill, regional chairwoman for the Optimist Oratorical Contest for middle school students, talked to the Lakeshore Optimist Club during the club's March 11 meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. She explained the upcoming contest which features 10 Pierce Middle School students. Since its start in 1928, the oratorical contest has become the longest running program sponsored by Optimist International. The nationwide contest is designed for youth to gain experience in public speaking and provides an opportunity to compete for a college scholarship.

hosts an arts and crafts show, "In Praise of Hands," from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, April 3, in the hospital's main lobby. A limited number of tables are available to area artists and crafters for a \$25 fee and one item donated to a raffle.

Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe to be held May 16 -17 at the Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park.

All show participants must be preapproved to ensure quality and variety.

For more information or an application, contact Jan Treuter, community relations, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, (313) 640-2577.

To learn more about the all-community Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe, visit relayfor-

life.org/grossepointemi.

To get involved in this year's relay, contact Dorothy Busignani at (248) 663-3418 or Dorothy.busignani@cancer.org.

Quilt show

The Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit presents its Quilt Show: Quilts from the Heart 2009 Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25 at the Roseville Recreation Center, 18185 Sycamore.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Admission is \$5. Light lunches will be available.

No strollers will be allowed. For more information, visit qgmd.org.

Grosse Pointe Rotary minutes

Grosse Pointe Rotarians may attend the Grosse Pointe South High School Interact Club at 3 p.m. Thursdays Room 297.

Bob Bashara has collected toothbrushes, shampoo and paper products to take to the president elect training seminar. Members are asked to bring additional items to the next meeting.

Committee chairmen are asked to turn in reports by Wednesday, April 15. President of St. John Hospital and Medical Center and Executive Vice President St. John East Region Diane Radloff told Rotarians St. John is part of the largest Catholic health organization in the nation, which believes in spiritually centered holistic care. It has been recognized as a top 100 hospital with a standard of having zero preventable deaths.

Radloff said the staff continually looks for ways to improve services. The staff realizes when patients come into the hospital they are scared and it is the staff's responsibility to make them feel comfortable and offer the best experience possible. They take the Catholic spiritual care seriously and value diversity.

St. John staff knows that affordable health care is important. In the fiscal year 2006 the hospital had \$50 million in debt from patients plus charity care given to patients 200 percent below the poverty line. In 2009, an \$88 million in debt is expected.

St. John staff is doing research on heart muscles, said Radloff, who has been a nurse and in administration for 20 years.

Pointer honored

Putting a smile on other's faces earned Jane Fox of Grosse Pointe Farms a special award.

She was recently presented with a Community Service Award from the Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughter's of the American Revolution Grosse Pointe for her work with Operation Smile.

A community volunteer for more than 30 years, Jane found her passion five years ago when she began working with Operation Smile, a worldwide children's medical charity whose network of global volunteers help improve the health and lives of children and young adults.

Volunteers treat children in Third World countries born with cleft lips, cleft palates and other facial deformities. The organization also trains medical professionals in its partner countries and leaves behind equipment needed for long-term self-sufficiency. Fox is trained in medical records and is also a student sponsor.

Local fundraising led to Fox's first mission to Vietnam in May, 2006. She later went to Ethiopia, China, Bolivia, and most recently, Paraguay.

"For me Operation Smile not only provides a meaningful purpose in life, in part fulfilled by working with a diverse group of people around the world who provide a needed and rewarding medical service, but it is also a way to give back to those who are less fortunate in the world,"




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Jane Fox shares information about Operation Smile with Louisa St. Clair DAR chapter members after receiving her Outstanding Community Volunteer Award.

Fox said.

"I come away from a mission with the feeling that I have received much more from my experiences than I have given. It is very humbling, amazing, and inspiring at the same time. Being on a mission reinforces my belief that people are the same everywhere; parents want their children to be healthy and accepted. It is my feeling and belief that this is one of the best ways to promote world peace."

The Community Service Awards Committee was established by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in April 1995 to recognize volunteers in cultural, educational, humanitarian, patriotic, historical and citizenship endeavors, or in environmental conservation.



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SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

Simple way to save money — drink tap water



At this stage of the economy, which may get worse, we are all looking for ways to save money. I've found one that is fairly easy and has many other benefits.

Don't buy bottled water. Depending on how upscale the bottled water is, not buying can save from \$2 to \$5 a week per person.

Bottled water, however, is convenient. But you can bottle

your own. I simply refill the water bottles I've bought with tap water. However, the risk is the material the bottles are made of may contain ingredients dangerous to our health, as we've been warned about baby bottles.

Also, how good is our tap water? I've been drinking it for many decades and it doesn't seem to have caused health problems for me.

By washing and using a bottle again, you also help the environment. Bottles used for bottled water are not biodegradable. Imagine how many millions of discarded bottles add to the landfill problem.

If you're worried about the safety of doing your own bot-

tling, here are solutions.

Purified water can be bought in 50-gallon jugs for about \$1.50 for three jugs. Places selling purified water frequently offer bottles guaranteed not to have been made with dangerous substances. You can use them over and over safely.

If this idea catches on, stores that sell purified water could probably be persuaded to make it available in smaller containers.

Can you imagine any other action you can take that saves you money and protects your health and the environment?

Here's another way to save our environment. Years ago I bought a wheeled cart made of strong fabric that could be fold-

ed up and carried under your arm. I got it at the Shipshewana weekly farm auction. It cost about \$7 or \$8. I've seen carts listed in catalogues made of metal that are much more expensive.

I take the cart when I grocery shop. I also have bought one of those sturdy reusable bags and put my groceries in it while I'm shopping. When I get to the check-out, I open the cart, the wheels come down, I place my groceries in it, especially heavy cans, milk, etc., and roll it out to my car.

Sometimes when I have very heavy objects, I have to place them individually into the trunk. When I get to my house, I transfer them to the cart.

This not only saves the environment from all those plastic bags, but saves my back.

A major irritant to me are the bottles used for prescription drugs and other products. Many have an almost impenetrable covering under the lid with no tab to hold onto. The only way you can get this off is to jab a knife into it and pry it off.

This week I bought a bottle of window washing fluid and opened it in my driveway. Sure enough there was one of those teeny caps. I searched in my trunk and finally found a sharp object. How hard is it to simply add a tab long enough to grab onto?

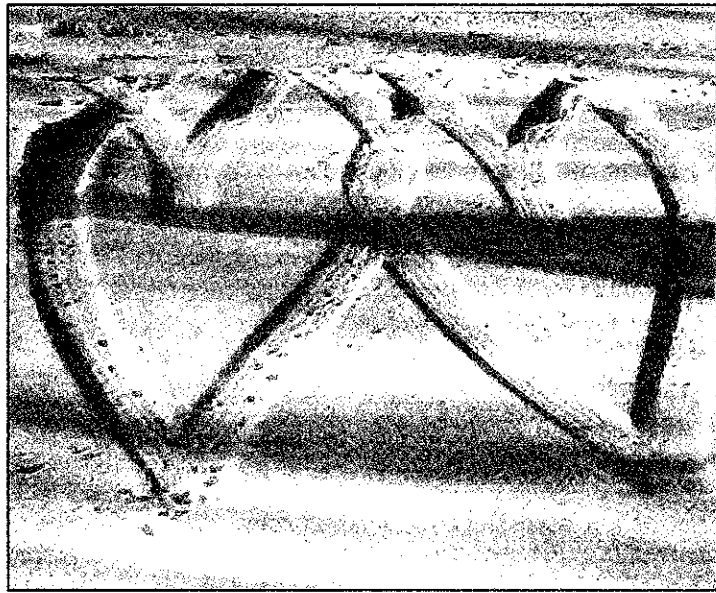
There's also another problem

with bottles. Sometimes they have cotton under the cap. In an attempt to get the cotton out, sometimes I inadvertently push it to the bottom of the bottle where it can be retrieved only with tweezers.

And how about those skin-tight plastic wraps over products that sometime defy even a knife?

I believe there is a critical need for senior focus groups to advise manufacturers on making products easy to open and use. Incidentally they also could use some advice on designing autos, appliances and clothing to make them more senior friendly.

You can contact Cain at ruthcain@comcast.net



Hearts joined

Two 8-feet by 6-feet hearts were drawn in the circular driveway of Harold and Cynthia Chyz of Grosse Pointe Woods following a February snowfall. Cynthia said she had no idea how the hearts were made but did enjoy seeing them.

SOC schedule of April's special events

April Fool's Day Party — 11 a.m. **Wednesday, April 1.** Are you a fool for spelling bees? Normally, April Fool's Day and spelling bees have nothing in common, unless, they fall on the same day, which happens this year. Those who pride themselves on being a good speller and word unscrambler, test your skills, possibly win prizes and partake in a catered lunch sponsored by Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. Make reservations by calling (313) 882-9600.

Love our Earth Week — 11:30 a.m. **Monday, April 13.** The documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" about global warming created by former Vice President Al Gore addresses man and greenhouse gases and illuminates some of the myths surrounding both of its subjects.

Aging Well: The Best Revenge — 11 a.m. **Wednesday, April 8.** Representatives from Village of East Harbor share how to age better. There will also be a discussion on how the importance of one's attitude about life and dealing with the changes affect outcomes. A free hot lunch of breaded chicken, au gratin potatoes,

green beans almondine, tossed salad, rolls, dessert and lemonade will be served. April birthdays will also be celebrated. Reservations are mandatory, call (313) 882-9600.

Healthier Living Tips — 11:30 a.m. **Tuesday, April 14.** Melissa Sargent of LocalMotion, a grassroots, solutions-driven, community-based organization dedicated to better health through fewer toxins, will offer "Healthier Living Tips" for reducing exposure to toxins.

Every Little Bit Helps: What We All Can Do To Keep

Ourselves and Our Planet Healthy — 11:30 a.m. **Wednesday, April 15.** Lisa Hamby of Eco-Logic/Eco-Living will discuss what to do inside and outside that impact personal health and the health of the planet.

So What Really Happens To Your Recycled Rubbish After It's Picked Up At The Curb? — 11:30 a.m. **Friday, April 17.** Mary Jo Van Natter of Great Lakes Recycling will discuss what happens to recycled rubbish after it goes into the recycling bin.

Guess Who? Photo Contest — 11:30 a.m. **Monday, April 20.** Secretly bring in a photo of yourself when you were young. The photos will be numbered and participants will be given a list of those who brought in their photos. Match the person with the photo. Prizes will be given to the best guessers. Bring photos in a bag

and place on Susan and Joan's desk.

Learn how to play "Texas Hold'em Poker" — 12:30 p.m. **Wednesday, April 22.** Instructor Harry Burkey will demonstrate the basics of Texas Hold'em poker, teach the strategy applied to the game and show how players make it to the final table. Burkey has attended the World Series of Poker the past two years and participated in thousands of poker tournaments, making the final table hundreds of times.

Pizza Lunch and Friday Afternoon at the Movies — 11 a.m. **Friday, April 24.** Salad, pizza, dessert, drinks and a box lunch to take home will be served prior to the showing of "My Man Godfrey," starring William Powell and Carole Lombard. Reservations are required; call Susan or Joan at (313) 882-9600. The cost is \$5.

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Learning from the Great Depression

Narratives of the Great Depression in Detroit will be presented at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 24 by The Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults in the Commons Room, St. Peter the Apostle Parish House, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods.

Drawing on archival social case work records from the Hannah Foundation, faculty members from Wayne State University will describe how a group of older men and women experienced the Great Depression in Detroit in the 1930s. The presenters will begin with a historical overview

of that era in Detroit.

Personal narratives from the archives will be described, including those recounting economic hardships, the experience of receiving help from the foundation and accounts of accommodation and resistance to the idea of burden in old age. The presentation will conclude with a dialogue between presenters and audience members on the implications of these narratives for the current economic crisis.

Freewill donations may be made.

For more information, call (313) 886-1770.



The Venice readers

Cathy and Jim Gusmano of Grosse Pointe Shores took along the Grosse Pointe News to read in Venice, Italy. The couple took a cruise in the Mediterranean in observance of their 40th wedding anniversary. 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.

Lunch and Learn at SOC

Seniors can have a hot lunch at Services for Older Citizens and learn about law and health during April's Lunch and Learn series.

Elder Law — Free Legal Presentation and Legal Assistance — 11:30 a.m. **Monday, April 6.** Neighborhood Legal Services of Michigan provides services for Wayne County residents, 60 years and older. Following a presentation, seniors can sign up for a free consultation on guardianship, conservatorship, wills, trusts, powers of attorney, nursing homes, assisted living, senior housing, Medicaid and Medicare.

Call SOC at (313) 882-9600 to make an appointment.

Nutrition for Better Living — 11:30 a.m. **Wednesday, April 22.** Damien Buchkowski, registered dietitian at the Van Elslender Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center will discuss how to maximize physical and emotional well-being through the food and beverage choices.

Ask Dr. Gill — 11:30 a.m. **Monday, April 27.** Dr. Matthew Gill, M.D. will answer health questions. Anonymously place questions in the "Ask Dr. Gill" box, and he will answer all questions in a group presentation.

Those choosing not to have lunch are asked to arrive no later than 11:30 a.m.

Free health expo March 23 at Cobo

A free health expo for the uninsured will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, March 23 in the Riverview Ballroom at Cobo Hall.

There will be free and low cost health screenings, health program vendor booths, mu-

sic, dental plans and screenings, HIV/AIDS testing and health coverage enrollment. Some programs require picture I.D.

For more information, visit healthchoicesystems.co.wayne.mi.us or call (313) 833-3438.

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HEALTH COLUMN By Jeff and Debra Jay

When divorce is not an option



Dear Jeff and Debra: My husband and I have been married 10 years. This is the second marriage for both of us.

When we were dating, he didn't drink at all. It was only after about 6 months of marriage that he began having an occasional glass of wine. I didn't think anything about it at first. But within another half-year or so, he was drinking al-

most every day and getting good and drunk about three times a month. It seemed so out of character that it raised some red flags, but I brushed them aside.

By the time we celebrated our second wedding anniversary, he was drinking nightly and getting drunk at least three times a week. This began causing problems in our marriage. Finally, I confronted him and he promised he'd lay off the alcohol except for an occasional glass of wine when we went out. It sounded reasonable to me and he kept his end of the bargain for several months.

One night after drinking with co-workers, he drove

home inebriated. Quite a few heated arguments followed and he agreed to go on the wagon — no alcohol ever. For the next three years, we repeated this cycle: he'd go on the wagon, fall off the wagon, we'd argue and he'd go on the wagon again.

In the last year, he's been off the wagon entirely and drinks in excess almost every night. Recently, his daughter from his first marriage told me her mother divorced him because of his drinking. No one mentioned this before I married him. He told me they divorced amicably. Over time, he said, they fell out of love.

I've asked him to go to mar-

riage counseling, but after one visit he refused to go back. I continue to go by myself.

Here's my question: My therapist said my husband needs to hit bottom before he's going to accept help. She says alcoholics have to experience enough pain to decide drinking isn't working anymore.

My husband is a professional and makes good money, so I don't see a bottom coming any time soon. My therapist suggested I might have to divorce him and that will be his bottom. But I've been divorced once. At 54-years-old, I don't want to be twice divorced and out in the dating world. I love my husband. Aren't there other

options for us?

— Wants to Make the Marriage Work

Dear Wants:

When families are told alcoholics must hit bottom, no one ever says, "Oh, by the way, you'll be hitting bottom along with him."

The solution for the alcoholic cannot be the undoing of the family.

Waiting for someone to hit bottom can cause years of pain, disappointment, fear and personal tragedy for everyone close to the addicted person. In its place, our goal is to raise the bottom and spare everyone, including the alcoholic, years — even decades — of unhappiness. The best way we know how to do this is through a loving, dignified family intervention. This requires training and rigorous planning and preparation.

Here are some no-cost and low-cost resources you can access to educate yourself about intervention.

- Lovefirst.net, an educational website providing families with extensive information on intervention.

- "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention." The

book is written by us — and the most commonly used nationally — for providing families a road map to intervention.

- interventionworkshop.com an online video training program.

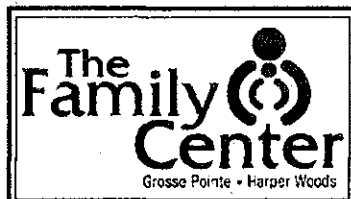
Your other option is to contact a professional interventionist and request an initial consultation to develop a plan addressing your specific needs. If you decide upon structured family intervention, the interventionist will help you build your team, select the best treatment option, train and rehearse the team, facilitate the intervention and escort your husband to treatment.

Properly done, intervention is successful about 85 percent of the time. Plans are put into place for the 15 percent who refuse treatment, resulting in most agreeing to go days or weeks later.

Jeff and Debra Jay of Grosse Pointe Farms are professional interventionists. They may be contacted at (313) 882-6921 or lovefirst.net. They are co-authors of "Love First," and Debra Jay is the author of "No More Letting Go: The Spirituality of Taking Action Against Alcoholism and Drug Addiction."

ASK THE EXPERTS By Lori Warner, Ph.D., BCBA

Explaining degrees of autism



Q. My friend told me her son has autism, but he can talk and he plays with my son. I thought children with autism didn't connect with people.

A. Autism is called a "spectrum disorder," meaning some children are severely affected and may also have cognitive impairments, but others are much less affected and can attend regular education classrooms and form friendships. Some high-functioning people with autism or Asperger Syndrome attend college, work, and have families of their own.

Q. How can I tell if my child has an autism spectrum disorder?

A. Experts look for three core areas of impairment: delayed communication, difficulty relating to others (also called reciprocal social interactions), and restricted or

repetitive patterns of behavior. Children with autism have trouble communicating, playing appropriately and engaging with other people.

They may display unusual mannerisms such as repetitive jumping, hand flapping, or looking at objects from different angles. Children with autism may not speak at all, or may speak rarely. Others may repeat or echo what you say (echolalia). For an excellent "video glossary" illustrating symptoms of autism; see autismspeaks.org.

Q. My pediatrician is now screening for autism before age 2. Why, and what is she looking for?

A. Autism affects one in 150 children, with a boy/girl ratio of 4:1. Treating autism early leads to better outcomes. Pediatricians are now looking earlier at family risk factors and "red flags" such as: delayed speech, little eye contact, inconsistent response to name, lack of playful interaction/social "back-and-forth" and lack of appropriate play.

Joint attention is also assessed, such as: pointing to

draw attention to something, and following your point. See The American Academy of Pediatrics website at aap.org/healthtopics/autism.cfm for more information.

Q. My son is 2 1/2 and not talking yet. My family says boys usually talk later than girls, but I'm starting to worry. What should I do?

A. By 2 1/2, most children use many gestures and simple sentences like "Daddy go" or "more juice." Children with language delays usually use eye contact and gestures to get their point across. If hearing problems are ruled out and any of the "red flags" listed earlier are evident, immediately talk to your pediatrician about referrals.

Early, intensive behavioral intervention has the most scientific support in teaching young children with autism and other developmental delays.

For more information, visit asatonline.org or abainternational.org.

The HOPE Center houses Beaumont's autism treatment programs and is part of the

Center for Human Development. At the HOPE Center, families receive intensive behavioral therapy for preschoolers with autism in two center-based programs.

It also offers behavioral consultation services for children of all ages with a variety of referral questions from autism and other developmental disabilities to behavior management, OCD, toileting and feeding problems.

Warner is a licensed psychologist and director of the HOPE Center, Center for Human Development at William Beaumont Hospital in Berkley. She can be reached at (248) 691-4774.

She will discuss Assessing and Addressing Autism (early years: birth to age 6) and answer questions from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 at Beaumont Hospital, Connelly Auditorium, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe.

This free program is part of The Family Center 2009 Partners in Parenting Enrichment Series. To register call The Family Center at (313) 432-3832.

Grief recovery course offered at Van Elslander Center

A nine-week grief recovery course will be held from 10 a.m. to noon beginning Saturday, March 28. The series will be in the third floor conference room of the Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The class is limited to 15 members who are committed to finding a new normal in their grief journey.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mark Lorenger initiated the program in memory of his wife, Mary Jo, who died of cancer in 2004. Funding for the program has come from gifts made by friends and family in her memory. Mary Jo was treated at the Van Elslander Cancer Center and her husband found the center to be more than a medical facility.

He said the support he received was so healing he wanted to offer the same assistance to others.

"During our challenges while at the Van Elslander Cancer Center," he said, "We

found real comfort and a caring atmosphere that allowed all of us to cope with the trials that were put before us.

"The support that we received during my wife's battle proved so helpful that we wanted to give back to those who are grieving; an opportunity to manage and deal with their loss in a spiritual and meaningful way.

"In reflecting back after Mary Jo's passing in 2004, we could not understand how anyone who has been through a significant loss could or can deal with grief without a sense of spirituality and faith. The Grief Recovery Outreach Program is our way of giving back something to the community so that others may benefit and move through their indi-

vidual grieving situation. We are blessed to have Ricki Fox, Rebecca Palen, both grief recovery specialists, leading and facilitating our program.

"The program is very caring, supportive, encouraging as well as being totally non-threatening," Lorenger said. "In visiting with all of the individuals who participated in the last three years of the program, it was so evident to see and hear how each of them has progressed in their daily lives. It is not easy to deal with grief, but we believe the grief recovery program does and will make a difference for those in need."

Additional funding is provided by Bagnasco-Calcaterra Funeral Home in St. Clair Shores.

"There is such a need in our community help in dealing with the many losses," Palen said, "and we are honored to have the support of the Lorengers and the Bagnasco-Calcaterra team for this life-changing program."

"This program is designed to help those who have experienced many different types of loss and wish to move beyond pain and into healing," Fox said. "Just as death is a part of life, so is grief a part of living. It's often misunderstood that the grieving process is as individual as the person who endures it. The key to enduring and moving beyond grief, is understanding grief."

For more information or to register, call Palen or Fox at (313) 647-3000.

Trauma center

The St. John Hospital and Medical Center trauma center has been verified as a Level II trauma center by the Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons.

Established by the American College of Surgeons in 1987, the COT's Verification/Consultation Program for Hospitals promotes the development of trauma centers that provide resources necessary for trauma care and injured patients.

The American College of Surgeons is a scientific and educational association of surgeons that was founded in 1913.

Relief for Aching Feet!

One of the most neglected areas of our body is the foot. We complain about them, stuff them into improperly fitted shoes or just plain ignore the signals they send us.

The foot is the foundation of your body and if that foundation is out of alignment you can experience problems not only in your feet but throughout your trunk. Many people think foot problems are caused from poorly fitted shoes. While this is partially true, the fact is most foot problems come from a foot that inherited biomechanical defects.

IMPROVE YOUR BALANCE

For example, feet must support about twice our body's weight with each step we take. A foot with even a small biomechanical malfunction can wind up being painful. Biomechanical problems can encourage the formation of bunions, hammer toes, heel spurs, plantar fasciitis (arch pain) and any number of other foot ailments.

What can you do if you have any of these problems? First, have your feet properly measured and assessed, including your gait pattern. Doing so allows for a proper footwear recommendation.

By Joe Dymant, C. Pod



Computer Scanning for Custom Orthotics

In addition to proper shoes, you may require an accommodative or functional orthotic to help balance the biomechanical function of your feet. This device fits comfortably in the shoe and helps the foot function in a more normal manner. It is important to have the proper orthotic design to give you the best results. Knee, hip and back pain can often be helped with orthotics and proper footwear as well.

DIABETIC FEET NEED EXTRA CARE

Diabetes disrupts the vascular system, affecting many areas of the body such as the eyes, kidneys, legs, and feet. As such, people with diabetes should pay special attention to their feet and wear properly fitted shoes to help keep the feet healthy. It is very important for diabetics with neuropathy or loss of feeling in the foot to take necessary precautions to prevent injury. If you have diabetes and are experiencing a foot problem, immediately consult with your foot doctor. In addition to loss of feeling in the feet, diabetics are prone to complications such as changes in foot shape and ulcers or sores that do not heal.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Day of prayer

A day of prayer will be held from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 19 on the Solemnity of St. Joseph at Historic St. Joseph Church, 1828 Jay, Detroit.

For more information, call (248) 250-6005.

Breakfast

Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Breakfast is from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m., Friday, March 20, in the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church's Fellowship Hall, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The speaker will be the Rev. Robert Keller, pastor of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Harper Woods and a retired U.S. Air Force chaplain.

For more information, call (313) 882-5330.

Buffet dinner

A Lenten buffet dinner will be served from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 20, at The ARK at St. Ambrose, Hampton and Wayburn, Grosse Pointe Park. The cost is \$14 for adults, \$10 for children 6 to 10 years and \$12 for seniors.

Lenten service

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods offers two Lenten services at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday,

March 25.

A freewill buffet lunch follows the morning service and freewill offering supper will be served at 6 p.m. The topic of study is "I Believe in the Holy Spirit."

The topic of the Sunday, March 22 service is "Will Come to Judge the Living and the Dead."

Lutheran singers

The Detroit Lutheran Singers, under the direction of Eric Freudigman, presents a spring concert of sacred choral music at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Chalfonte and Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Grosse Pointe residents Ellen Nelson and Richard Burkholder sing with the group.

Advanced tickets are \$5 and available by calling (586) 226-2276 or at the door for \$10 and \$7 for seniors and students.

St. Sabbas

The Russian Tea House serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 24 at St. Sabbas Orthodox Monastery, 18745 Old Homestead, Harper Woods. The suggested donation is \$20.

The Royal Eagle dining facility offers a full menu of food from around the world from 5 to 10 p.m. Thursday March 19 and 26. All proceeds go toward the completion of the

monastery.

For reservations, call (313) 521-1894.

Lent project

The Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts its second annual Forty Days of Lent by working at the Open Door Rescue Mission in Detroit, Saturday, March 21.

For more information, call Jeri Gleichauf at (313) 993-0848 or Lori Zurvalet at (313) 881-7084.

Restoring relationships

Lynne Thomas presents "The Dinner Party" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26 in the church hall at St. Clare of Montefalco, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

The drama provides a demonstration of the struggle with reconciling relationships.

Thomas is a psychotherapist in private practice in Grosse Pointe Farms, a lecturer and author.

For more information, call St. Clare at (313) 647-5000.

Parish mission

"Be Not Afraid" is the mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, 467 Fairfield, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The parish hosts a team of

professional Catholic evangelists, a priest and a layperson, beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 29, for a four-night presentation on Isaiah 43.

Presenters, the Rev. Ray Kellerman and Rose Marie Lombard are part of Isaiah Parish Missions, a national Catholic group of preachers proclaiming the word of God in the spirit of the prophet Isaiah.

Kellerman is a priest of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, who has been involved in a wide variety of ministerial activities as a priest including being a teacher, a pastor, and

mission presenter, along with earning a degree in canon law. Lombard is director of outreach for an inner city parish and was a parish religious education director, social justice minister and Stephen Ministry leader.

She has been on the preaching team of Isaiah Parish Missions since 1990.

The emphasis of the mission promotes a deeper meaning in lives to discover or rediscover a personal, living faith.

Refreshments and fellowship are at 8:30 p.m.

Freewill offerings will be accepted.

For more information visit olsos.org or by calling (313) 884-5554.

"The Poet Sings"

The Italian Heritage Society presents "The Poet Sings" at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 22, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. High tea follows the performance by mezzo-soprano Lisa Agazzi and soprano Eva Evola.

The cost is \$30. For more information, call Marian Impastato at (313) 886-6894.

PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Peter Henry

Will economic times shed new light on Lent, Easter?

The season of Lent for Christians, among whom I number myself, is a time of self-reflection and examination.

There is little doubt that Easter, as the primary holy day for Christians and Lent, the period that precedes it, were celebrated long before Christmas. Yet it is Advent, the period before Christmas, and Christmas that gets far more attention outside of churches and inside many, too.

That is, despite being an Easter people who have long undertaken great preparation for that day which stands at the center of our religious year, it is Christmas which

dominates the scene for most Christians.

Pastors know this is so because although we might have greater worship attendance on Easter Sunday, it is dwarfed by the attendance on Christmas Eve.

Candles, carols and a little baby and all that lead up to them are far more marketable than repentance and an empty tomb, it seems.

I wonder if things are a little different this year, though.

In the economic times in which we live, there should be plenty of soul-searching going on — and not just by Christians.

The ways in which we have individually collectively chosen to live; the kind of society

formed by our patterns of living and the manner in which we care or fail to care for the most vulnerable in our midst as we respond to this crisis are all places to cast our searching gaze.

My prayer for this Lent is that Christians, who are the numeric majority in our country, will model such honest self examination and where necessary, embody true repentance for our role in what led to our current woes by working for a more just society in response. If so, then there is the hope of new life for those who are most in need of such hope.

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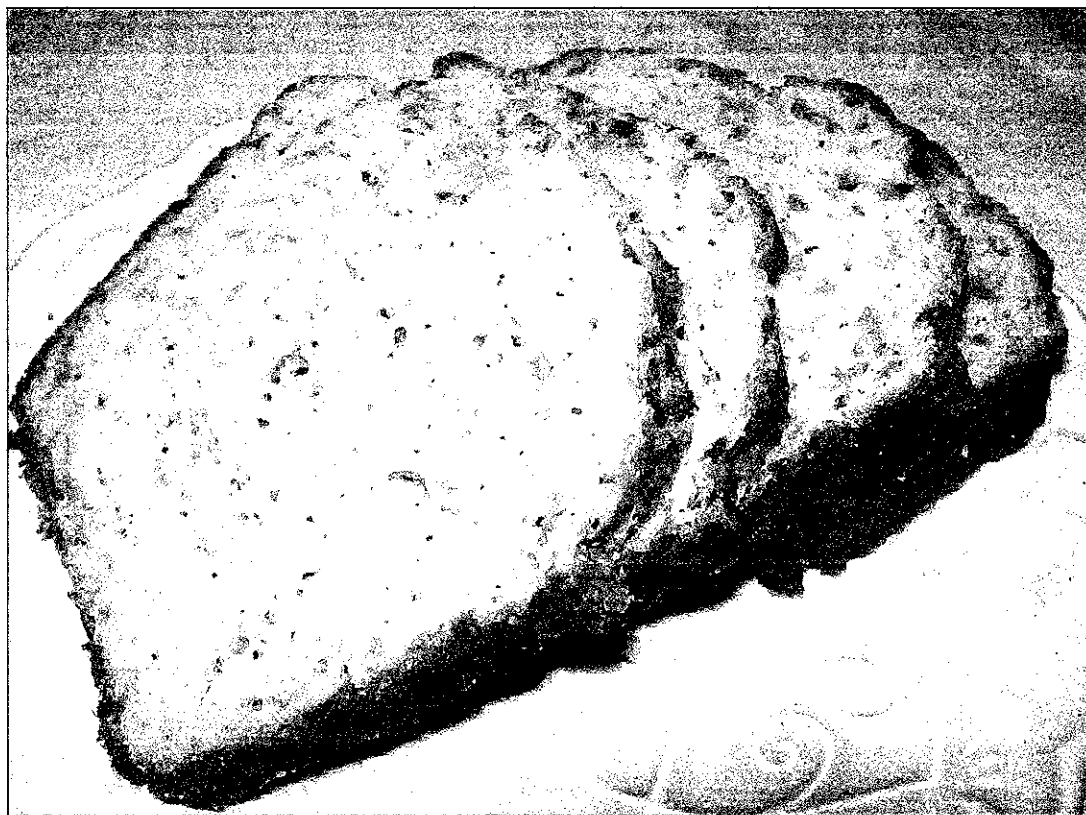
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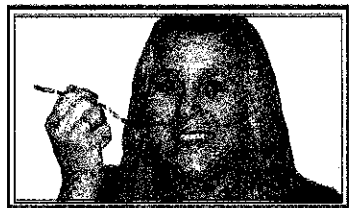


BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Cheddar and scallion quick bread accompanies chili, stew, soup and morning eggs.

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Quick, make the bread



Quick breads get their name for a good reason. They're quick. With no resting and rising time, you can bring a warm loaf of bread to the dinner (or dessert) table any night of the week.

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I made a savory quick bread with cheddar cheese and scal-

lions.

Cheddar & Scallion Quick Bread

2 1/2 cups flour
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon baking powder
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
2 eggs
1 cup (8 oz.) plain yogurt
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1/4 cup milk
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1 cup coarsely grated cheddar cheese
1/3 cup sliced scallions

In a large bowl, sift together flour, sugar, pepper, baking powder, salt and baking soda. Set aside. In a small bowl,

whisk together eggs, yogurt, oil, milk and mustard and add to dry ingredients. Fold in the shredded cheddar and the scallions.

Turn the mixture into a greased 9 x 5 inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 for 55 minutes to an hour. (Make sure to do the clean toothpick test.)

Slice the warm cheddar scallion bread and spread with a smear of butter, spicy jelly or cream cheese. This savory bread will compliment chili, stew or your favorite soup.

Slice leftover bread and toast it for a change with your morning eggs.

Delicious.

For spicier bread, substitute cheddar with pepper jack cheese.

Music is the language of South student

By Dina Soresi Winter
Special correspondent

Ivan Moshchuk, born in Moscow, and a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, gave his first full piano recital at South's auditorium Friday, Feb. 27.

The audience of students and friends, musicians and others, were either invited or saw the poster announcing the event.

They may have been curious, as I was, to see and hear what an 18-year-old, who writes words like "music is a language which brings us together like no other," could and would do.

What we heard was aston-

ishing.

Here is a young artist of superior training, musical sensitivity and a very high level of achievement. His playing exemplified the best of top-notch schooling.

His performance was well paced — never rushed — giving time for the music to speak for itself, while paying attention to subtle balances and shading.

The program he chose was extremely challenging. And he played it — not to impress with a blatant display of technical virtuosity, which he could have very easily done — but to truthfully serve the music. And it was music of the highest caliber that we heard.

His fluid and sensitive fin-

gers glided and danced over the keyboard as he drew out the many colors and moods in works of Bach, Beethoven, Scriabin, Chopin and, most impressively of all, Rachmaninoff.

We heard a performance of outstanding and secure lyricism and bravura, each piece revealing the style appropriate to its genre.

He never played for splashy effect, but let the music speak.

Before his last selection, the young, dapper-looking senior took microphone in hand and quietly thanked Dan White and Tina Mayk, both of Grosse Pointe South, for making the concert possible in that wonderful venue, his parents for "putting up" with

him, and the audience for being there.

Then he went on to play Rachmaninoff's spectacularly demanding "Moments Musicaux, Opus 16," in its original, extremely difficult, 1896 version. The long and enthusiastic standing ovation prompted him to grace us with two additional encores. This was truly a remarkable performance by an outstanding young musician.

Moshchuk has taken top prizes in numerous local and national competitions and has already appeared with great success on stages in Europe and North America.

Let's keep an eye on him. I think he is headed for the heights.

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Opened on Broadway in 1963, the original Broadway cast included Kirk Douglas as McMurphy, Ed Ames as the Chief and Gene Wilder as Billy. The play is considered one of the most influential works of its time in that it cleverly conveys the popular sense of alienation that became prevalent within post-World War II American society.

The play is set in the ward of a state mental hospital somewhere in the Pacific Northwest in 1967.

It tells the story of a group of mental patients striving for dignity in the face of the tyrannical Nurse Ratched. The group includes an array of colorful characters, including Randle Patrick McMurphy, an unconventional individual who attempts to provide basic human freedoms for his fellow facility patients. Knowing little about mental illness, McMurphy is shocked by the passive lifestyle of the hospital residents and begins to spice up their monotonous lifestyle.

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" is directed by Lavinia Hart, assisted by Caroline L. Price. The cast includes Alan Ball (Dale Harding), Jason Cabral (Scanlon), Christina Flynn (Aide Turkle), Kate Gustin (Sandra), Safiya Johnson (Nurse Ratched), Erman Jones (Chief Bromden), Aaron Kirby (Rucky), James Kuhl (Randle P. McMurphy), Rob Pantano (Martini), Caroline L. Price (Candy Starr), Peter C. Prouty (Cheswick), Samantha Rosentrater (Nurse Flinn), Brian P. Sage (Dr. Spivey),



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From left: Safiya Johnson as Nurse Ratched and James Kuhl as Randle P. McMurphy.

Dylan Stuckey (Billy Bibbitt), Justin Vanden Heuvel (Aide Williams), Jordan Whalen (Aide Warren), Joe Hamid (Chronic 1), Alex Hill (Chronic 2).

The play is performed in rotating repertory through May 8 with "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead" by Tom Stoppard, "Born Yesterday" by Garson Kanin, and "All My Sons" by Arthur

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The Detroit Zoological Society is sponsoring the event.

Donors can drop off used but usable clothing and household goods at The Salvation Army truck in the zoo's front parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request at the time of donation. Contributions can be made without payment to enter the zoo; regular admission and parking fees apply for those visiting the zoo.

"Spring is a traditional time for people to move along excess clothing and other items which tend to accumulate in their homes," said Merle Miller, administrator of The Salvation Army's Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Center. "The Salvation Army needs those items more than ever."

Donations to The Salvation Army's Thrift Stores generate total funding for the center's 180-day residential rehabilitation program for adults, which provides food, shelter, education and counseling services to those re-establishing their lives free from alcohol and chemical dependencies.

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Sweet finals repeat

Gianino's goal gives South title

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It's official, Grosse Pointe South's girls' hockey team is a dynasty.

Last weekend, head coach Bill Fox guided his Lady Blue Devils to a second straight Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League state championship, beating Ann Arbor 3-2 in double-overtime.

Junior Shannon Gianino's unassisted goal at the 6:22 mark of the second overtime gave the Lady Blue Devils their ninth state title in the 12 years of the MMGHSHL.

It was also the second straight year South beat Ann Arbor in the title game and the sixth straight win in the series, combining regular season and postseason.

"We skated hard the past 10 days and it showed in the overtimes because our girls were still skating hard in the OTs," Fox said. "I think the big difference was we ran three lines in-

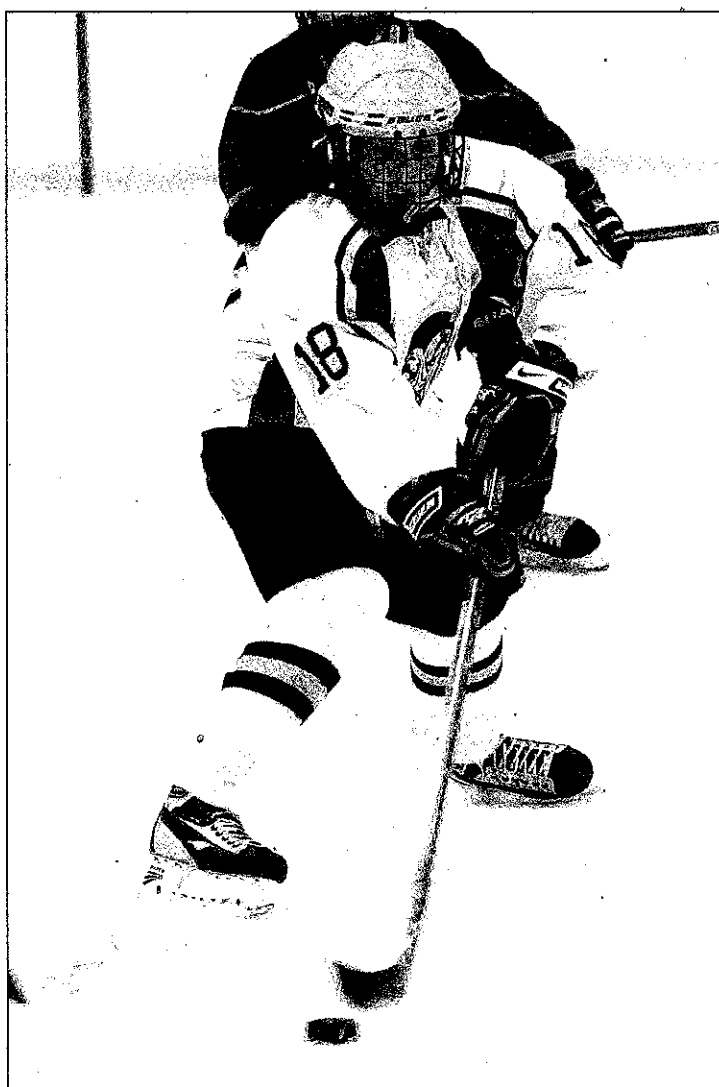


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Junior Shannon Gianino scored the championship-winning goal in Grosse Pointe South's 3-2 victory over Ann Arbor.

See CHAMPS, page 3C

Long ends career with one more win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South senior Jordan Long repeated as state champion, winning last weekend's Division 2 1-meter diving competition at Holland Aquatic Center.

Long earned a Division 2 record 537 points with rival John Santeiu of U-D Jesuit taking second with a distant 506.8 points.

Santeiu, a junior, is the favorite to win the 2010 diving title.

Long was coming off a dominating performance in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet, which he won in a landslide.

His diving coach, Chad Hepner, said Long would win his second straight state title if he dove like he did in the MAC Red meet, which he did.

Long earned all-state honors for his gold medal performance. Teammates Michael Shook, Craig Campbell, Joe

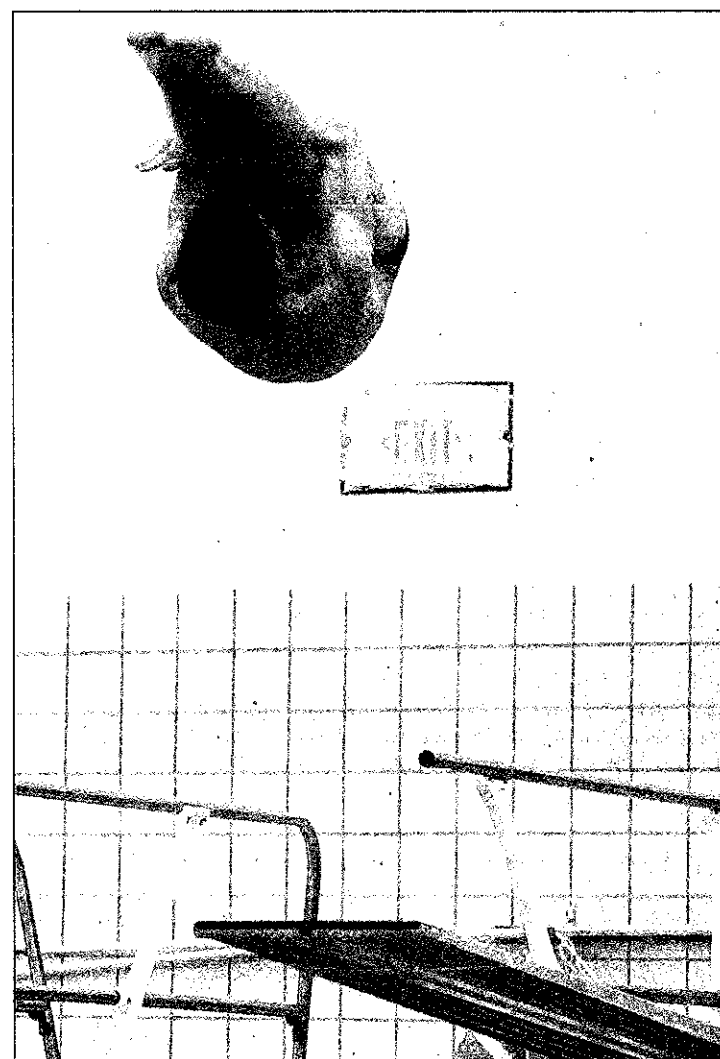


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Grosse Pointe South senior Jordan Long successfully defended his state diving championship in last weekend's Division 2 championship meet, winning by nearly 40 points.

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Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen make it back to state semifinals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' hockey team lost 6-2 to Howell in a Division 1 semifinal game played Friday, March 13, at Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

"We ran into a hot team," head coach Scott Lock said. "We didn't have the pressure we usually do and I think the guys tried too hard to individually win the game instead of playing as a team like we have been doing since the first of February."

Despite losing, it was the third straight trip to the Final Four for the Norsemen, placing them among the elite programs in the state.

The Norsemen's previous Final Four defeats came to Marquette.

Howell, which lost 7-0 to Novi Detroit Catholic Central in the state championship game, scored a goal in the first period by Ryan Ronowski to take a 1-0 lead.

Ronowski and Brandon Marshall scored to give the Highlanders a 3-0 lead.

Lock watched his Norsemen creep within a goal when junior Matt Lucchese scored an unassisted goal at the 12:19 mark and junior Mitchell Capp, assisted by senior Craig



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Senior forward Craig Henderson slips through St. Mary's defense during the quarterfinal game at Civic Arena.

Henderson, tally 57 seconds later.

That would be the closest the Norsemen would get as Marshall scored his second goal of the game early in the final period to give the Highlanders a 4-2 lead.

One of the key moments in the game came at the end of

the second period when the Norsemen were whistled for a penalty, giving the Highlanders a power play. It took them 1:12 to score the pivotal fourth goal.

"We had the momentum scoring those late two goals, but giving up the power play goal early in the third hurt,"

Lock said.

The Highlanders added two more late goals, one each by Ronowski and Marshall, to complete the scoring.

The Norsemen finished with 33 shots on net to 24 for the Highlanders.

North advanced to its third final four by defeating two-

time defending state champ Orchard Lake St. Mary's 4-1 in a quarterfinal contest at St. Clair Shores Civic Arena.

"We just wanted to win," Lock said. "They have a great program. They earn our respect, but great runs come to an end and we were happy to end it."

St. Mary's beat Marquette 4-2 in the 2007 title game and tied Marquette 1-1 after the championship game was declared a tie after eight overtimes in last year's contest.

The Norsemen and Eaglets were tied 1-1 after two periods. Senior John Neveux scored for the Norsemen after Zack Thompson gave the Eaglets a 1-0 lead at 11:36 of the opening period.

Seniors Ben Scarfone and Justin Kovacs had assists on Neveux's power play tally in the first period.

The Norsemen killed a penalty that overlapped into the first half minute of the third period.

Just seconds after killing the penalty, Kovacs put the puck behind St. Mary's goal-keeper Max Oslund to score what would be the game-winner at the 14:05 mark.

That goal fueled the Norsemen, who controlled the final period. Scarfone gave them some breathing room, scoring a power play

goal with 4:12 left and added an empty-net tally with 40.2 left in the game.

"I think the first seven minutes (of the first period) we were a little shaky," Lock said. "We were just kind of watching. When we were short handed, we get a little more energy from our team, so we got that. Then, we got on the power play and got some confidence with that goal, and I thought we played very well after that."

Senior Eric Rohrkemper earned the win, stopping 24-of-25 shots the Eaglets fired at him.

North beat Macomb Dakota 5-0 in last year's quarterfinal game and Livonia Churchill 3-2 in the 2006 quarterfinal matchup.

Grosse Pointe North finished the season 19-9-1 overall, which included two wins against the eventual Division 3 champ, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood. Among the losses were two to Division 1 champ Catholic Central and one to Division 2 champ Trenton.

Lock loses Rohrkemper, Kovacs, Scarfone, Henderson, Neveux and other seniors Scott Brown, Brandon Davenport, Nick Hartman, Michael Rahaim, Tom Walworth and Jimmy Tocco to graduation.

Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Region champs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' basketball team won its second straight Class A regional championship last week, beating Fraser 50-34 in the title game at L'Anse Creuse North.

Last year, the Lady Norsemen beat Chippewa Valley 50-47 in the regional final.

"It was all about our defense and their defense," head coach Gary Bennett said. "Whichever defense played the best would win the game and our defense was outstanding, especially in that third quarter."

"We wanted to have pressure and in your face defense, which the girls did tonight."

The Ramblers shot the ball well in the opening half, but the Lady Norsemen clamped down defensively, holding their Macomb Area Conference Red Division rival to only three third-quarter points and seven points in the fourth period.

"Our theme is defense," Bennett said. "We have to play good defense and we knew they wouldn't keep shooting the ball that well. The girls did an even better job of playing very tough defense."

In addition, the Lady Norsemen's transition game was in full gear from the get-go, turning Fraser turnovers into easy baskets.

They put 19 points on the scoreboard in the opening period and 14 in the second to lead 33-24.

They built a huge 17-point lead in the third quarter, outscoring the Ramblers 11-3. Midway through the fourth quarter, the lead was still well into double digits to win.

Junior Ariel Braker led the way with 18 points and 11 rebounds, while senior Jasmine Kennedy had 14 points and four rebounds.

Senior Olivia Stander and junior Kayla Womack each had seven points, and junior Christine Bedway had two points.

For the game, the Lady Norsemen had 10 steals and 10 assists, while improving to 21-4 overall.

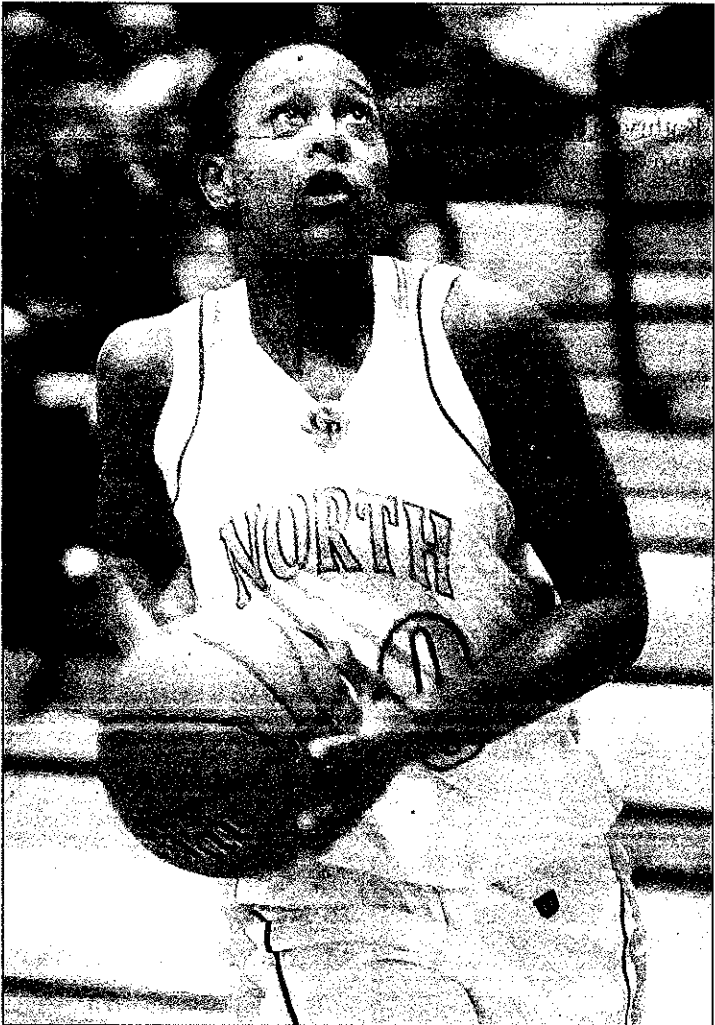


PHOTO BY WILL HARRAH

Senior Jasmine Kennedy goes up for an easy two points in the first half of the Lady Norsemen's victory over Macomb Dakota.

It was third time this season North beat Fraser, winning 47-37 on its home court Jan. 22 and 43-34 as the visitors Feb. 25.

North cruised into the regional final, defeating Macomb Dakota 60-41 in the second semifinal. Fraser edged Utica Ford II 42-39 in the first semifinal.

"We had an urgency on defense tonight," Bennett said. "We had that mental edge. The girls were getting to their spots, playing great defense and forcing mistakes. We had that edge tonight."

That urgency and edge was a pressure defense that forced seven first quarter turnovers and eight second quarter turnovers to turn a 24-7 lead into a 46-14 advantage heading into the intermission.

The Lady Norsemen's press was so effective that most of their baskets came in the transition game.

To make matters worse for the MAC White Division runner-ups was the Lady Norsemen were on fire from the field.

They made six three-point baskets in that first half blitz that left the Cougars searching

for answers.

It was 58-27 after three quarters and the Cougars won the fourth quarter 14-2 to make the final score closer than the game really was.

Each night the Lady Norsemen have a different player step up and lead the offense.

Against the Cougars, it was Stander who had 26 points, including four three-pointers. Braker added 11 points and two blocked shots playing a little more than a half.

Kent had six points on two three-pointers, while Kennedy had five points and Womack had four.

Bedway chipped in with four points, while junior Alyssa Bruno and sophomore Andrea Matthew had two points apiece to round out the Lady Norsemen's offensive output.

Fraser won its semifinal game with its slow-down, drag-out offense that produced only 13 field goals. It was the senior duo of Becka McHenry and Kelsey Irwin that led the way, scoring 13 and eight points, respectively.

Senior Kelsey Raczak had a game-high 17 points to lead Ford.

Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North beats South, wins district title

Norsemen win regional semifinal

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

As the final seconds ticked off the scoreboard March 13, several Grosse Pointe North players seated on the bench, along with head coach Matt Lockhart, and hundreds of fans in the bleachers, looked on in anticipation.

This squad, the same group that few gave much of a chance to win at the start of the season, was mere seconds away from the improbable — winning a district championship.

The buzzer sounded, filling North's gym with a resounding conclusion — the Norsemen were District champions.

Lockhart shook his head in disbelief as players and fans rushed the court, while applause rang out.

A hard-fought, 44-34, victory over rival Grosse Pointe South in the title game made it official.

"We're moving on," Lockhart exclaimed with a smile. "We're moving on. Nobody really expected much from us this season, but deep down in our hearts, we (the team) knew we could do it. We did."

Although the victory over South was the clincher, the semifinal will long be remembered by North fans as one of the biggest victories in the program's history.

With heavily favored Detroit Finney coming to the gym March 11, and playoff survival on the line, the Norsemen responded.

With a defensive effort that was nothing short of brilliant, North stymied the Highlanders and standout Isaiah Sykes, and walked away with a 51-45 victory, never trailing in the contest.

"I don't think too many people gave us much of a chance," Lockhart admitted. "But I think we knew we were good enough to play with those guys and beat them."

Up by 4 points, 19-15, at the half, Lockhart looked at his



PHOTO BY WILL HARRAH

Grosse Pointe North's Paul Bramos, center left, battles Grosse Pointe South sophomore Corbet Conroy for a rebound during the city rivalry that decided a Class A district championship.

team in the locker room and simply told them, "Look, we can win this game. This is the kind of game we can win."

Thanks to a Herculean defensive effort from the entire squad, and a standout individual defensive performance from senior Paul Bramos, who held Sykes to just 14 points (10 below his season average), North earned the victory, and, more importantly, the respect they deserved.

There was little time for North to celebrate though, with South coming to the gym and a trip to the regional round on the line.

Heading into the final on the heels of a very convincing, 46-33, semifinal victory over Lakeview High March 11, the Blue Devils made it very clear from the get-go they were there to win a district championship.

"We didn't come here, to this district final, just to show up," South head coach Jim Twigg said. "I think it was obvious we came to win."

South's scrappiness kept them within striking distance throughout the opening three quarters of the game, even taking a 31-30 lead late in the third.

"I thought our guys came out there and played great," Twigg said. "I'm very proud of this team."

North outscored its rival, 12-3, in the closing eight minutes to capture the district crown, 44-34.

Senior forward A.J. Horne paced the Norsemen with 13 points, while South junior Leif Rodney poured in 11 for the Blue Devils in the title game.

Regional action

Grosse Pointe North made quick work of Macomb Dakota in its Class A regional semifinal Monday night, winning 64-37, at Grosse Pointe South.

"They played great defense and got after it on offense," Lockhart said.

The Norsemen ran on all cylinders from the opening tip, taking a 5-0 lead that grew to 21-7 after the opening quarter. It was 35-17 at the half and the Norsemen put an exclamation mark on the victory by outscoring the Cougars 18-9 in the third period, opening a 53-26 lead.

Nadeau finished with 18 points, making six three-pointers. Bramos had 15 points, followed by Matt Bluden with 11, senior Kyle Campbell with eight, Horne with four, senior Darin Willis with four, senior Damien Davis with three, senior Gregg Blunden with two and junior Balazs Juhasz with two.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 23-1 overall.

CHAMPS: Title game goes 2 OTs

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instead of two, which kept our girls fresher."

The Lady Blue Devils were less than two minutes from winning the title in regulation, but Pioneer senior all-state forward Angie Chronis slid the puck through senior C.J. Jarboe's legs to tie it 2-2 with 1:41 left.

Ann Arbor had the better scoring chances in the first overtime, hitting the crossbar twice, while South also hit a crossbar. Each of those three shots could have ended the game.

Even when Gianino's shot eluded Pioneer goalie Sydney Supica, Ann Arbor co-head coaches Lon Gratham and Steve Chronis were on the ice arguing the play should have been whistled dead since the puck allegedly was smothered by Supica.

The officials didn't see it that way and instantly pointed to the net, signaling Gianino's goal was good and the state title was won by South.

"One of the keys was killing that 5-on-3 power play Ann Arbor had in overtime," Fox



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe South players and coaches give the "We're No. 1" salute after beating Ann Arbor 3-2 in double-overtime in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League state championship game.

the final period.

Junior Emma Hull scored a power play goal at the 11:08 mark and freshman Claire Boyle also had a power play goal at the 7:28 mark.

Senior Erin Shook and junior Rae Sklarski drew assists on both tallies.

both of them as they were right there, trailing 1-0 after two periods of play.

Sophomore Lorna Burns scored in the first period for the Lady Blue Devils, but that would be it as both goalkeepers came up with key saves to keep it a one-goal game. Senior Kelsey Burgess and Sklarski drew assists.

However, the Lady Blue Devils awoke in the final period.

Lady Blue Devil Tara Bolton, a junior, scored the game-winning goal at the 7:56 mark with freshman Marissa Monforton getting the lone assist.

Burgess gave the No. 1 seed an insurance goal, scoring at the 4:56 mark with Hull and Sklarski getting the assists.

Sophomore Bebe Clem scored the final goal in the final two minutes as Bolton had an assist.

Jarboe, once again, pitched a shutout as the Lady Blue Devils swept all three games from the Cranes this season, winning the first two by 3-1 scores.

The title rematch was set when Ann Arbor squeezed out a 2-1 victory over Grosse Pointe North in the other semifinal.

All-state forwards accounted for each of the three goals as Chronis tallied early in the first period to give the Pioneers a 1-0 lead.

Senior Alexa Quinlan came back with the tying goal at the 6:22 mark of the first period. Seniors Jackie Reardon and Alexa Lucchese drew assists.

Defense and goalies, Supica for Ann Arbor and freshman Emma Huellmantel for North, dominated the final two periods.

Chronis scored the game-winning goal late in the second period. It's the second straight season Ann Arbor swept the

season series from Grosse Pointe North, which finished 14-6 in MMGSHL and 14-8 overall.

In the quarterfinals, Grosse Pointe South crushed Livonia Ladywood 8-0, which was the eighth time this season the Lady Blue Devils had beaten an opponent by that score.

The Lady Blue Devils scored three goals in each of the first two periods and put the mercy rule to use with two goals in the final period. The final tally with 4:04 left officially ended the game.

Boyle had two goals and an assist to lead the offensive charge. Other goal scorers were Burgess, freshman Andrea Marshall, Marissa Monforton, Clem, Gianino and Sklarski.

Shook had a couple of assists, as did freshman Cara Monforton. Others who had assists included senior Kathryn Repicky and freshman Carly Verkuilen.

Jarboe posted another shutout.

In another quarterfinal contest, Grosse Pointe North survived a tough battle, edging city rival and Division 2 tournament champ University Liggett School 3-1.

"We outplayed them, out-shot them and lost 3-1," ULS head coach Laura Owczarski said. "The girls played unbelievably well and in the first period we peppered them with everything we had."

Despite the barrage of shots, Lady Norsemen freshman goalie Emma Huellmantel stood her ground and kept the puck out of the net.

Quinlan scored the first goal on a penalty shot, but Lady Knight junior Paige Counsman tied it 1-1 with a goal a little more than a minute later.

The eventual game-winning goal was scored by senior de-

fenseman Lauren Walsh during a Lady Knight power play.

The Lady Norsemen added an insurance goal late in the final period when senior Angela Giorgio scored with Walsh and senior Jackie Rearden drawing assists.

"We had a great season and we have a lot to look forward to next year," Owczarski said.

ULS finished its season 15-7 overall, which is the best mark the Lady Knights have had during Owczarski's tenure as head coach.



Junior Emma Hull contributed the Lady Blue Devils' first goal against Ann Arbor.

said. "They really only had one good shot on Jarboe and the rest was done by our defense."

The Pioneers scored first when sophomore Emy Guttman tallied a little more than one minute into the game.

The Lady Blue Devils scored twice in the second stanza to take a 2-1 lead heading into

South, which finished the season 20-1 overall, outshot Ann Arbor 34-28. Ann Arbor ended its season 16-5-1 overall.

Grosse Pointe South was pushed to the limit in its 4-0 semifinal win over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

The Cranes played without standout sophomore Caley Chelios, but that didn't seem to



Freshman Claire Boyle scored one of the three goals Grosse Pointe South tallied in the state championship game.



Goalie C.J. Jarboe is a member of three Grosse Pointe South state championship girls hockey teams, including starting in net the last two years.

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Hessburg, Cam Johnson and Matt Mandel joined him on the all-state podium with top eight performances in their respective events.

Shook, a junior, was a silver medalist in the 500-yard freestyle, posting an All-American and school record time of 4:35.23, which was only seven seconds behind Battle Creek Lakeview sophomore Clay Youngquist.

Shook was also sixth in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:44.46. Once again, Youngquist won the event with a time of 1:39.01.

Mandel earned a seventh-place medal in the 100-yard freestyle, turning in a time of 48.05.

South head coach Eric Gunderson also watched his 200-yard freestyle relay team of Campbell, a sophomore; Hessburg, a junior; Johnson, a sophomore; and Mandel, a junior; bring home a sixth-place medal with a time of 1:28.80.

Shook, Campbell, Hessburg and Mandel also placed seventh in the 400-freestyle relay with a time of 3:14.71 to earn all-state honors.

Those all-state performances helped the Blue Devils earn one of their highest state final finishes in a decade with sixth.

"It was a very competitive meet and we definitely swam some fast times Friday during the preliminaries and kept our placements the second day," Gunderson said. "One of the highlights is placing two relays in the top eight with not a single senior in either relay. We have a lot of guys returning next year with experience."

South had 19 competitors in the state finals, which was the top number for any team in the meet.

The senior swimmers were 26th as freshmen; 19th as sophomores; 16th last year and sixth this season during their four years on the team.

Zeeland won the Division 2 state championship with 285 points, which edged out Birmingham Groves, which had 282.

Battle Creek Lakeview was third with 240 points, followed by Holland with 182, Midland Dow with 170.5, Grosse Pointe South with 148 and Birmingham Seaholm with 148.

This is one of South's high-

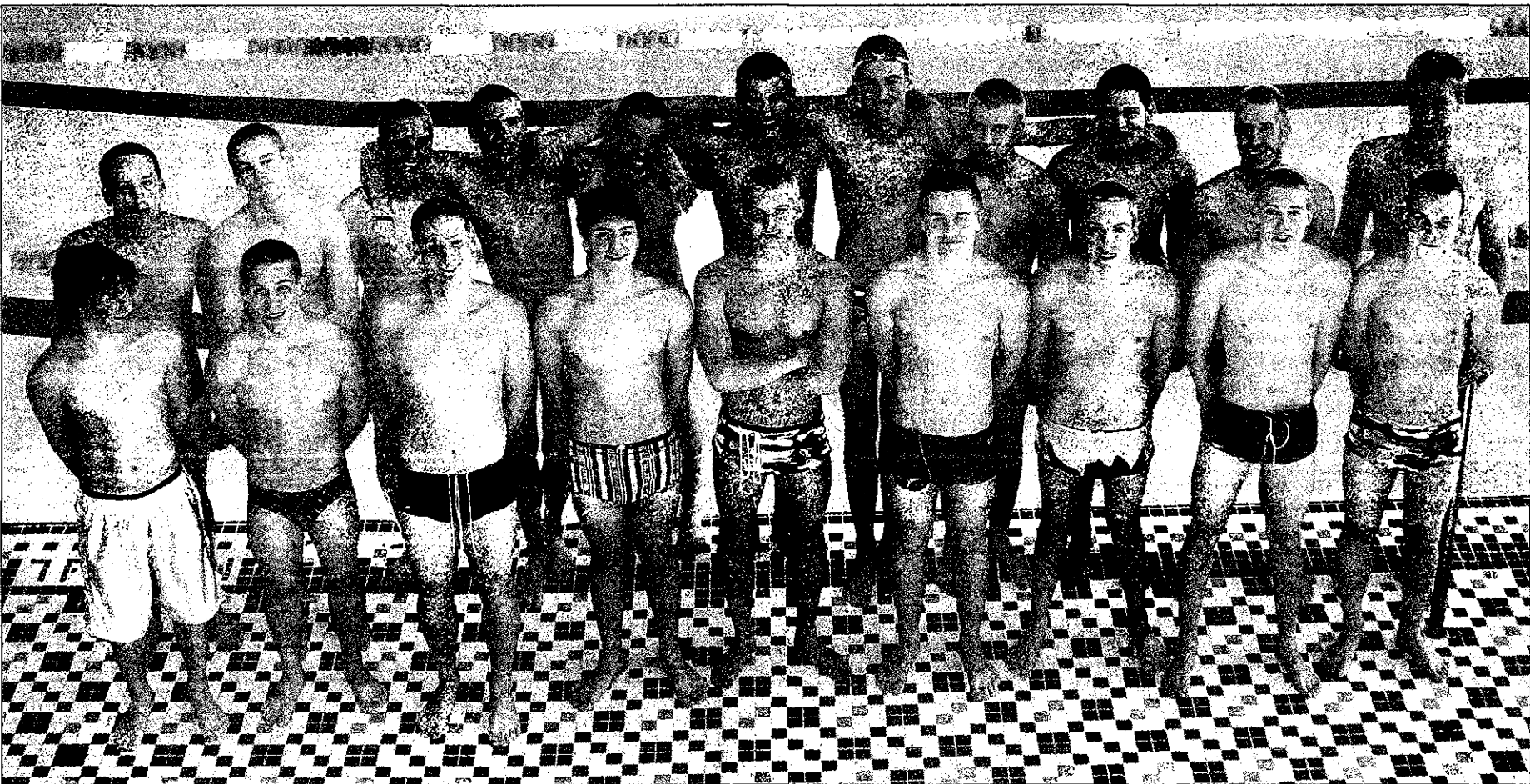


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Grosse Pointe South's state competitors last weekend were, back row from left, Mike Mulier, Kevin MacConnachie, Craig Campbell, Roby Boggs, Cam Johnson, Joe Hessburg, Matt Mandel, Mac Day, Luke Hessburg, Matt Schmidt and Mike Shook; and front row from left, Kyle Eschenburg, Jordan Long, Joe Zampardo, Fares Ksebat, David Cockell, Cam Laney, Patrick Wagner, Wayne Brackett and Ryan Graham.

est finishes in a decade. It was fourth in 2005.

Head coach Mike O'Connor and his Grosse Pointe North squad took home a 17th-place finish with 43 points.

The Norsemen didn't have any top eight finishes, but they did have top 16 finishes, including the 200-yard medley relay team of senior Michael Lane, freshman Christian Mellos, senior Andrew Paige and junior Matt Peyser that was 11th with a time of 1:41.11. South and its four-some of junior Matt Schmidt, senior Fares Ksebat, junior Mac Day and sophomore Cam Johnson was 14th with a time of 1:42.95.

Campbell was 12th in the 200-freestyle with a time of 1:47.12 and senior Andrew Paige of North was 14th with a time of 1:47.62.

Senior Michael Lane of North and sophomore Roby Boggs of South finished 12th and 15th in the 200-yard individual medley, posting times of 2:01.50 and 2:03.64 to earn points.

Mandel and Hessburg placed 10th and 14th in the 50-freestyle with times of 22.00 and 22.47, while Paige was 11th in the 100-butterfly with a time of 53.88.

South's Campbell was 14th in the 100-freestyle, turning in a time of 48.50, while freshman Justin Rakowicz of North and junior Matt Schmidt of South placed 15th and 16th in

the 500-yard freestyle with times of 5:00.19 and 5:01.43 to earn points.

North's 200-freestyle relay team of senior Max Hunt, junior Matt Peyser, senior Stephen Van Beek and Paige took home an 11th-place finish with a time of 1:30.07.

Lane was 16th in the 100-backstroke with a time of 57.66, while South freshman Cam Laney was 12th in the 100-breaststroke with a time of 1:01.25.

In addition, Ksebat and North freshman Christian Mellos placed 13th and 15th in the 100-breaststroke, posting times of 1:02.39 and 1:03.27, which rounded out North and South's individual top 16 placements in the state finals.

O'Connor also pointed out Van Beek was 25th in the 200-IM, while senior Max Hunt was 23rd in the 50-freestyle and Mellos was 30th in the 200-IM.

The Blue Devils' other state finishers were senior David Cockell and junior Wayne Brackett, who were 21st and 32nd in the 200-IM; Johnson, 40th in the 50-freestyle; freshman Joe Zampardo and Brackett, 21st and 28th in the 100-butterfly; Hessburg, 18th in the 100-freestyle; Schmidt, 33rd in the 100-backstroke; Hessburg and Boggs, 21st and 22nd in the 100-breaststroke; and the 200-freestyle relay foursome of Campbell, Hessburg, Johnson and



PHOTO COURTESY OF MIKE O'CONNOR

Grosse Pointe North's state competitors last weekend were, from left, Stephen Van Beek, Andrew Paige, Max Hunt, Christian Mellos, Michael Lane, Justin Rakowicz and Matt Peyser.

Mandel took sixth.

Division 3

University Liggett School senior Chris Brownell compete in the Division 3 state championship meet at Oakland University Aquatic Center.

He was 13th in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:50.75 to earn four points. Sophomore Nick Watson of East Grand Rapids set a Division 3 state record, winning the gold medal with a time of 1:41.69.



FILE PHOTO

Chris Brownell

Brownell also earned three points in the 100-freestyle, turning in a 14th-place finish with a time of 50.38. Sophomore Nick Grider of St. Johns High School won with a time of 49.32.

In the team standings, Hamilton edged out perennial state power Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, 247-242.

Brownell's seven points placed ULS 31st in the final team standings. Meg Painter is the head coach of ULS' co-ed swim team.

Girls swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Seven girls earn All-American status

Grosse Pointe South's girls swim team had seven participants earn Academic All-American status from the National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association, head coach Todd Briggs recently announced.

The seven recipients are Claire Dennehy; Kendall Effinger, also a two-time First Team All-State swimmer and South varsity record holder and six-time MAC Red Division First Team All-Conference competitor; Jeanne Frisby-Zedan, Chelsea Gilbert, Elizabeth Grossett, Jade Nehra and Libby Strachan.

To qualify, the girls had to have a 3.75 grade point average or higher for seven semesters (seniors only) and obtain a varsity letter their senior year.

Advanced placement courses, honor courses and advanced courses receive extra points in the grade point average calculation.

This gives Briggs 32 Academic All-Americans during his five-year tenure.

"We stress the student side of being a student-athlete first on the South team," Briggs said. "South has had the most Academic All-Americans during these five years than any

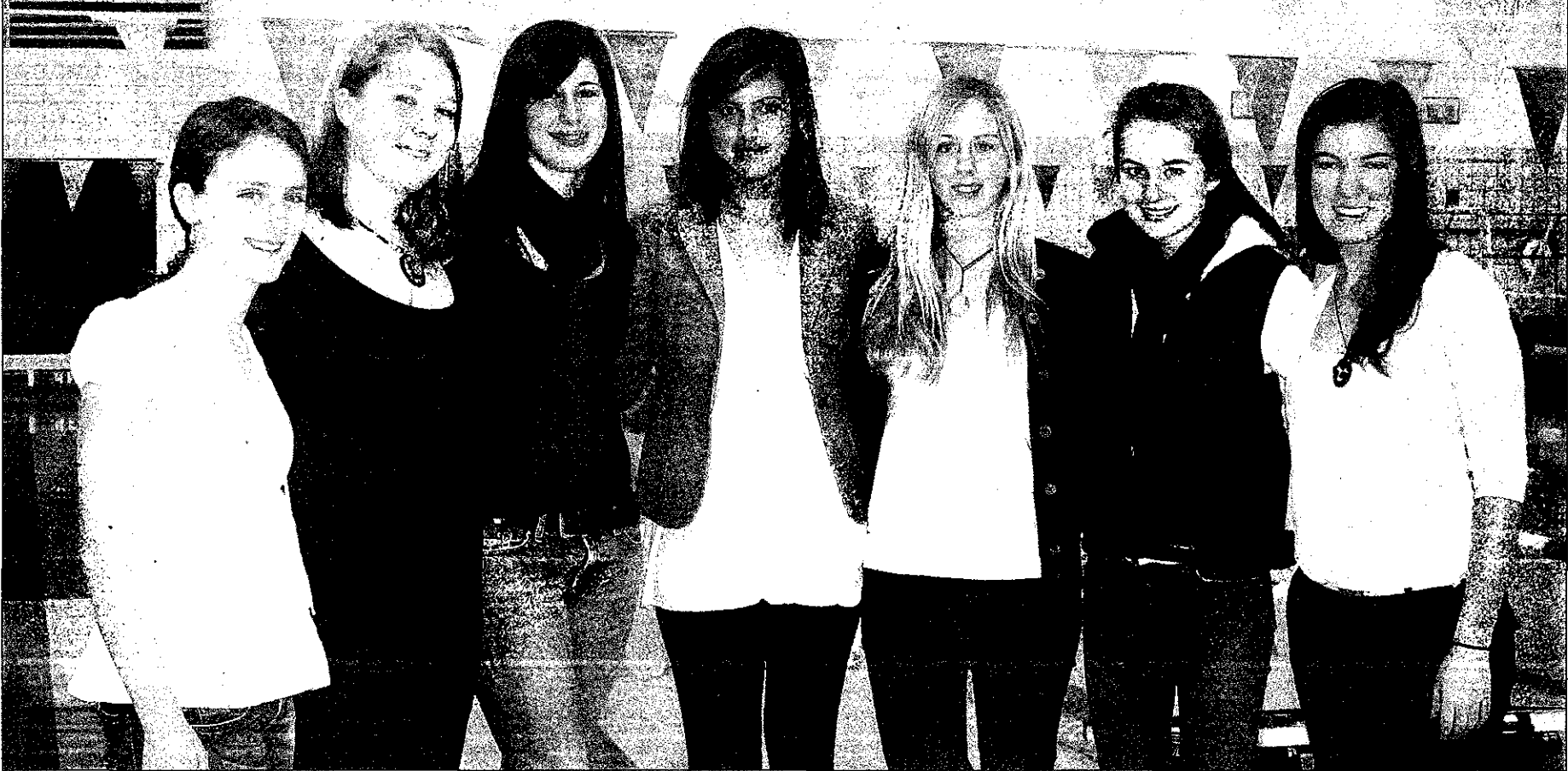


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Grosse Pointe South's Academic All-American swimmers are, from left, Claire Dennehy, Chelsea Gilbert, Jeanne Frisby-Zedan, Libby Strachan, Kendall Effinger, Elizabeth Grossett and Jade Nehra.

school in the national in its size category (1,401 to 1,900 students) and is easily in the top-10 for all schools in the country, regardless of size."

These girls compiled 38 dual meet wins against eight losses during their four years of swimming at South and won the Macomb Area Conference

Red Division dual meet and championship meet crowns all four years.

In addition, the Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches

Association started a new award called, Academic All-State. It has the same criteria with the exception is extra value is not given for honors

courses.

The four girls who qualified for this honor are Effinger, Frisby-Zedan, Gilbert and Strachan.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH, GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Senior
earns
silver
medal

Grosse Pointe North senior Josh Franklin made a memorable finish to his high school wrestling career.

He won the silver medal in the 215-pound division, losing a tough 7-4 decision to Rockford's Joe Stefanski.

Franklin beat Holt's James Mireles in the semifinals and Lake Orion's Willie Stewart in the quarterfinals.

His first-round opponent was Saline's Matt Price, whom he beat with a second-period pin.

North senior Nate Strickland and Grosse Pointe South sophomore Reggie Lewis also competed in the Division 1 individual finals at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Each lost their first two matches to be eliminated from the tournament.

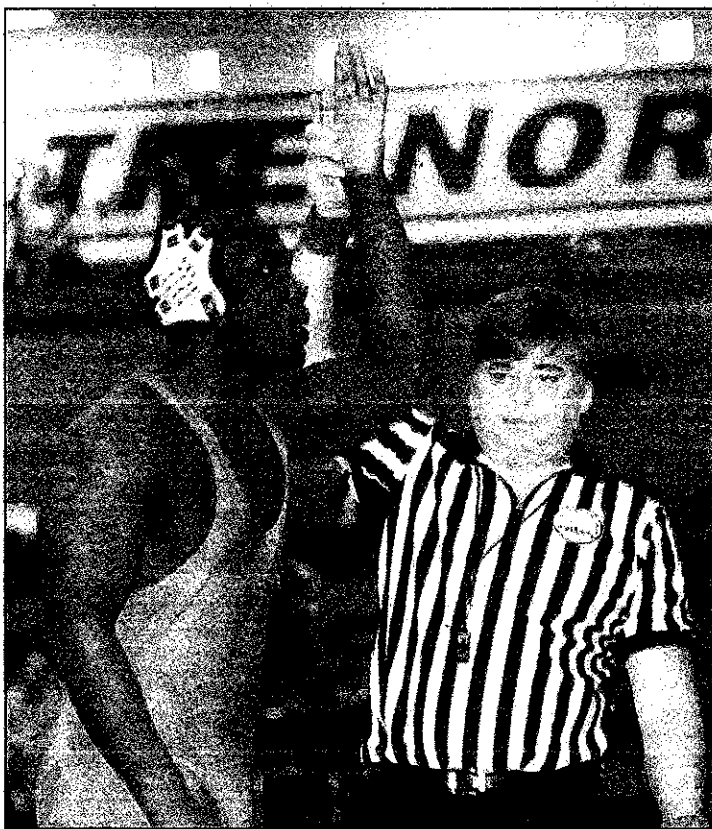


PHOTO BY RANDY WILCOX

Grosse Pointe North senior Josh Franklin, earning a win during the Norsemen's dual meet season, won a silver medal in last weekend's Division 1 individual wrestling state finals in the 215-pound division.

Strickland competed in the 215-pound class and lost to Temperance Bedford's Nick Whitenburg in his first match and Holland West Ottawa's Steven McClure in the first round of the consolation bracket.

Lewis dropped his first match to West Ottawa's Michael McClure in the 285-pound division and was eliminated by Utica Ford's Vince Vultaggio in the consolation first round.

— Bob St. John

Boys basketball

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights ousted in district

This time the score wasn't close.

University Liggett School's boys' basketball team lost its Class D district semifinal game, 72-44 to Detroit Midtown Academy last week.

The teams met Dec. 16 and the host Knights made a fourth-quarter rally, but lost 62-58.

The state playoff matchup was a different outcome as the taller Midtown Academy squad used this advantage to rebound the Knights and score too many points in the paint.

Head coach Sidney Johnson's squad, let by junior point guard Mark Ghafari, tried to keep pace, but seniors Jeremiah Manning and Andrew Malaski, along with junior Joe Shannon and sophomore Dominic Jamett, were overmatched.

The Knights wore down in the second half as the season came to a half, finishing 9-12 overall.

Johnson has a solid core returning with Ghafari, Shannon and Jamett, along with fellow underclassmen Eddie Thomas, Justin Shack, Carl Ghafari and Matthew Stanley.

— Bob St. John

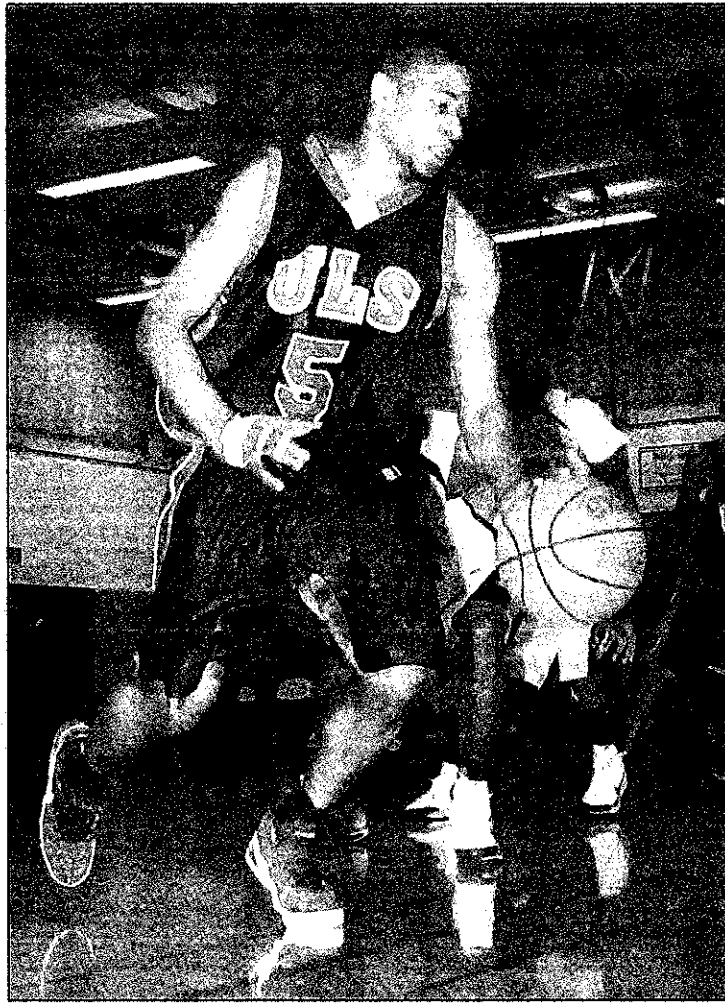


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Senior Jeremiah Manning, No. 5, played his final game as a member of the University Liggett School boys basketball team, a loss to Detroit Midtown Academy.

Gymnastics

Krieger earns all-state recognition

Grosse Pointe North junior Lauren Krieger led a trio of Grosse Pointe Unified gymnasts who competed in last weekend's Division 2 individual finals at Rockford High School.

Grosse Pointe North sophomore Heather Koresky and Grosse Pointe South freshman Sarah Fentin also competed.

Krieger won a fourth-place medal on the beam, earning a score of 9.35 to net all-state honors.

Troy Athens' Brooke Madzia won the beam with a 9.575, followed by Kelsey Pierce of Grand Ledge with a 9.425 and Christine Wilson of Grand Ledge with a 9.4.

Krieger also competed in the other three events, scoring a 9.275 on floor, 8.6 on vault and 8.2 on bars for an all-around score of 35.425.

Koresky and Fentin competed on the bars, scoring an 8.65 and 8.2, respectively.

In the all-around standings, Madzia was the gold medalist with 37.45 points, followed by Wilson at 37.0, Pierce at 36.9, Laura Nomura of Livonia Blue at 36.775, Brianna Maroukis of Portage at 36.575, Neena

Zwier of Kenowa Hills at 36.5, Kate Scheske of Sturgis at 36.475, Maddie Burman of Grand Ledge at 36.45, Lisa McCune of Kenowa Hills at 36.05, Lena Schneewind of Farmington at 36.025 and

Karen Guo of Troy Athens at 36.025.

Krieger, Koresky and Fentin return next season, along with more than a dozen underclassmen.

— Bob St. John



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Grosse Pointe North junior Lauren Krieger earned all-state recognition after finishing fourth on the beam.

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 7 Strict disciplinarian
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 11 Rebuff a masher
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 21 Wander
 22 Opposed to
 23 Repairs
 25 Charlie McCarthy's pal Snerd
 26 Secondhand
 27 Note to the staff
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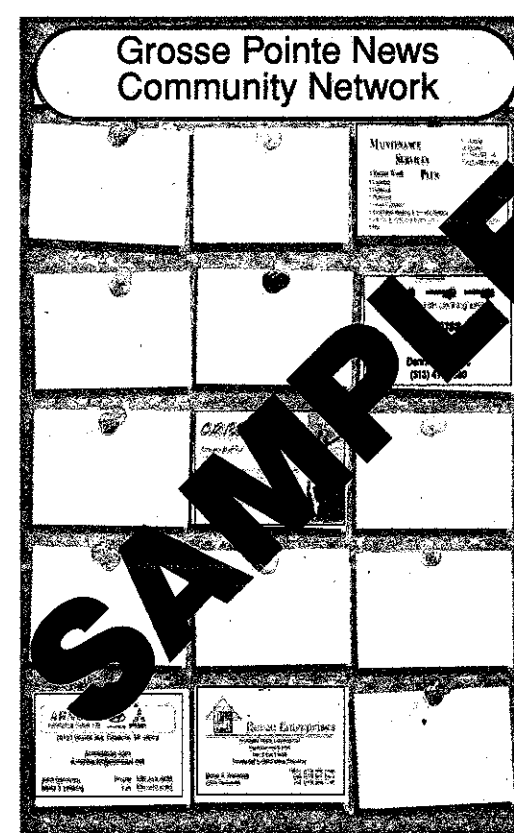
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