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THURSDAY, OCT. 1

◆ Levon Yuille discusses American Heritage at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The free seminar is open to the public and is hosted by Point of Relevance. For more information, call (313) 670-8405.

FRIDAY, OCT. 2

◆ The Harvest Dance for Grosse Pointe students, sixth through eighth grades, is from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Students must have a War Memorial ID card to purchase a ticket.

SATURDAY, OCT. 3

◆ Outsmarting Osteoporosis is the topic of a free lecture from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Connelly Auditorium, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux. Physicians, a nutritionist and physical therapist present tips on exercise and nutrition. To register, call (800) 633-7377.

◆ The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library host a Halloween costume sale from 10 a.m. to noon at the Grosse Pointe Woods branch, 20680 Mack. Friends members are admitted at 9:45 a.m. Most costumes will be sold for \$5. Halloween books, videos and accessories will also be for sale.

◆ The Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission hosts its fall perennial exchange from 10 a.m. to noon at the Tompkins Activity Center at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe. Bag and tag plants to share. Master gardeners will be on hand to answer questions and identify plants.

◆ An outdoor flea market, Wheel & Deal, is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. It is held rain or shine.

SUNDAY, OCT. 4

◆ Local author Margaret Carroll signs her book, "Riptide," from 2 to 4 p.m. at Borders Books, Music Cafe, 17141 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

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Gathering Pointes

Left, Brandon Mongogma holds a five-week-old piglet while Katie Maraldo feeds it at the West Park Farmer's Market Fall Festival. For more photos, turn to page 3A

Bottom, left, owners drive their vintage cars into Pier Park for last Sunday's Concours d'Elegance organized and hosted by the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation. The foundation has funded numerous improvements to the park, including the warming building and the ice skating rink, used during warm weather as a basketball court. For more photos, turn to page 12A. Below, right, hundreds of Grosse Pointers gathered on the lawn of Grosse Pointe South High School Friday, Sept. 25, to celebrate Victory in the Pointes. For more photos, see page 10A II.

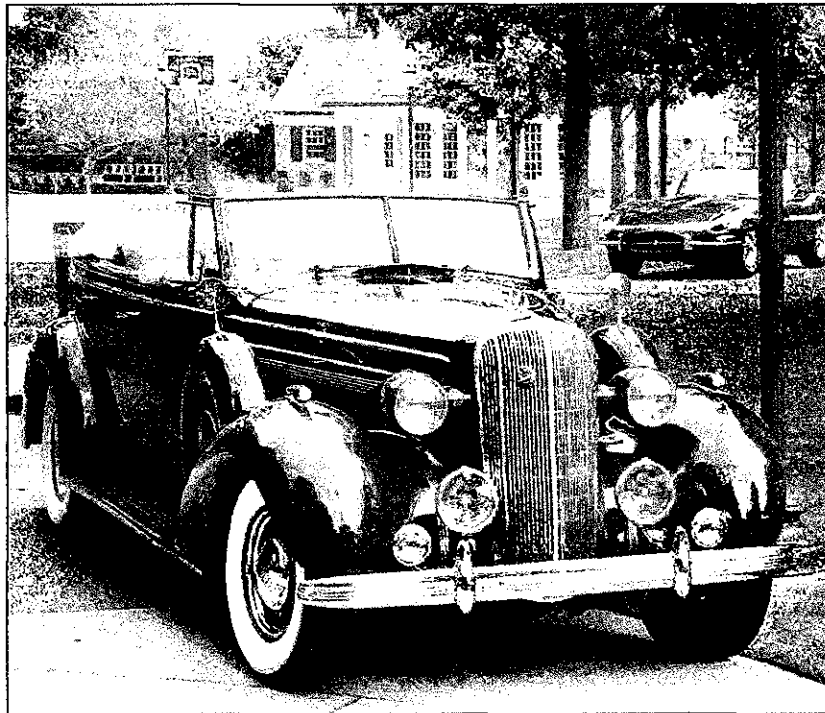


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GROSSE POINTE SHORES

State takes up campaign complaint

Equal response time for mayor, attorney, manager

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The state is investigating claims that representatives of Grosse Pointe Shores violated campaign laws by reviewing two candidates' campaign materials during last winter's city council election.

A letter dated Sept. 16 from the Department of State requires the Shores representatives to respond with their sides of the story within 15 days of their receipt of the letter. Fifteen business days from Sept. 16 is Oct. 6.

Named in the complaints are Mayor Dr. James Cooper, City

Manager Brian Vick and city attorney Mark McInerney.

They are accused by candidates Dan Schulte and Janice Pemberton of violating the Michigan Campaign Finance Act by using public resources to review their campaign materials for last winter's challenge for office.

"The complaints assert that you used or authorized others to use public funds, personnel, or both to review their campaign literature and oppose their election to city council," according to the letter by Melissa Malerman, administrator.

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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Sunrise field — a mess

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Duncan MacEachern said he was walking his dog in the unkempt field where Sunrise Senior Living abandoned plans for a senior citizen condominium complex when the animal stepped in a hole and almost broke one of its legs.

MacEachern, a resident of St. Clair near where Sunrise wanted to build the complex in the City of Grosse Pointe, said the privately owned vacant lot needs to be brought up to community standards.

"It's full of weeds," he said. "It looks like a

desolate lot in Detroit."

The city doesn't own the land, which Sunrise bought a few years ago for the condos and this year tore down nearly a half dozen houses.

City officials have billed Sunrise for maintaining the vacant lot from falling below legal standards.

"We were cutting the grass before their contractor got on site," said Frank Schulte, public service director and ordinance enforcement officer. "We had multiple e-mails with the person handling Sunrise. She's out of state. They were

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POINTER OF INTEREST

'I just thought it would be something kind of fun, but it's become its own entity.'

Kris Hummel



Home: City of Grosse Pointe
Family: Husband, Greg; daughters, Jo and Jenna
Claim to fame: Created a tribute to her Labrador retriever, visited by dogs and their owners throughout the community.

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Yesterday's headlines

1959
50 years ago this week

◆ **PARK COMPLETES DRAIN SURVEY:** The Grosse Pointe Park City Council learned it will cost about \$257,000 for the city to carry out any future storm relief sewer programs. If the council adopts the relief plans, the area between Whittier and Balfour from Charlevoix to Mack will be taken care of first. About 50 to 60 houses in this area flooded after heavy rains last month.

◆ **TRAGIC END:** A Grosse Pointe Park woman was shot to death in her house by a 72-year-old retired sales manager who later took his own life in his Detroit apartment.

The couple had been friends for years and both of their spouses died about the same time five years ago. Notes found in the man's apartment indicated he had been planning to kill the woman since she refused his marriage proposal last March.

◆ **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT BACK WHEN:** The first meeting of the Brownell Junior High P.T.A. will be held on two separate nights, like last year. Parents whose last names start with A to K will meet on Thursday; the remainder the following Monday.

Activities begin in the gymnasium at 7:30 p.m.. Parents can meet and greet new and returning teachers. There will be a brief business meeting from 8:30 to 9 p.m. after which parents can meet with teachers until 10 p.m.

1984
25 years ago this week

◆ **CURTAINS FOR PUNCH AND JUDY?:** The Punch and Judy Theatre has been dark for more than a week after the tenants walked out. They hadn't paid rent or utility bills or been in contact with the owners.

The future of the 54-year-old

landmark is in doubt.

◆ **CHURCH REQUESTS STREET RECHRISTENING:** Officials at Grosse Pointe Baptist Church would like the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council to rename a portion of 8 Mile Road Yorktown between Mack and Goethe.

The church, located on the corner of Mack Avenue and 8 Mile, is difficult to find for visitors who confuse 8 Mile Road with Vernier.

◆ **NUDE JOGGER:** He was wearing tennis shoes and carrying a pair of white shorts, reported two girls returning home from a football game at Grosse Pointe South High School last week shortly before midnight. The nude man was running north on Washington.

1999
10 years ago this week

◆ **FENCE APPROVED:** The City of Grosse Pointe council approved spending \$12,688 for new fencing around a section of Elworthy Field. The fence will have brick piers connected by aluminum railing-style fencing and surround the tot lot area of the park, from tennis court edge to tennis court edge. The city's foundation is paying for fencing around the remainder of the park.

◆ **BOMB THREAT:** For the second time this year, a bomb threat cut short the school day at Grosse Pointe North High School. An unidentified male caller phoned in a bomb threat to the school office. School administrators canceled classes and evacuated students without incident. Grosse Pointe Woods police and school employees searched school buildings and surrounding property before determining the threat was a hoax.

◆ **SHORES PARK BUILDING:** Grosse Pointe Shores village president proposed a special advisory referendum on the construction of an activities center at Osius Park.

Many Shores residents com-



FROM THE OCT. 1, 1959 ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1959: Halloween party planning

The kick-off planning session for the annual Community Halloween Party was held at the Grosse Pointe High School annex. An enthusiastic group of student representatives from the various public, private and parochial junior and senior high schools were present. Left to right, front row: Larry Link, Robin David, Pierce; Jeanne Gerow, Brownell; Patty Moran, St. Clare; Dan Johnson, Brownell; Jill Dikeman, Gary Spade, Parcels; and Bob Martin, St. Clare. Back row: Anne Poxson, Holmes Brown, Karen Jensen, High School; Jim Driscoll, Betty Ann Tobinski, St. Ambrose; Gail Maitland, Bob Bigham, St. Paul; Sally Lewis, Chip Munger, Grosse Pointe University School.

plained the proposed building is too large for the community, its location requires the destruction of 10 trees, it would change the nature of the park and allowing alcohol consumption in a park that historically banned such activity was asking for trouble.

2004
Five years ago this week

◆ **LIQUOR LICENSE**

WAIT: Diners looking for a new place in Grosse Pointe Woods to have a cocktail or wine with their meal have to wait a little longer.

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council asked for more information and time to set guidelines under which it would recommend applicants be approved by the state Liquor Control Commission for the city's four newly available Class C liquor licenses.

◆ **NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT RADIO LINK:** Lawmen throughout Wayne

County will soon be able to tune in, turn on and not drop out.

A forthcoming \$2.4 million federal homeland security grant will outfit the county with a new radio system eliminating current "dead zones," including the Grosse Pointes. Upon installation, local law enforcement agencies can communicate with each other, the sheriff's department and state police.

◆ **ALLEY ROBBERY:** Grosse Pointe Woods public safety detectives say they have

some "very positive leads" into finding the person who robbed a Mack business employee at gunpoint.

Two employees of a store in the 16900 block of Mack, one of whom was holding two bank deposit bags, stepped out of a back door and into the alley about 10 a.m. The suspect placed a gun to the head of the employee with the deposit bags and demanded the bags. The employee surrendered both bags and the suspect ran.

— By Karen Fontanive

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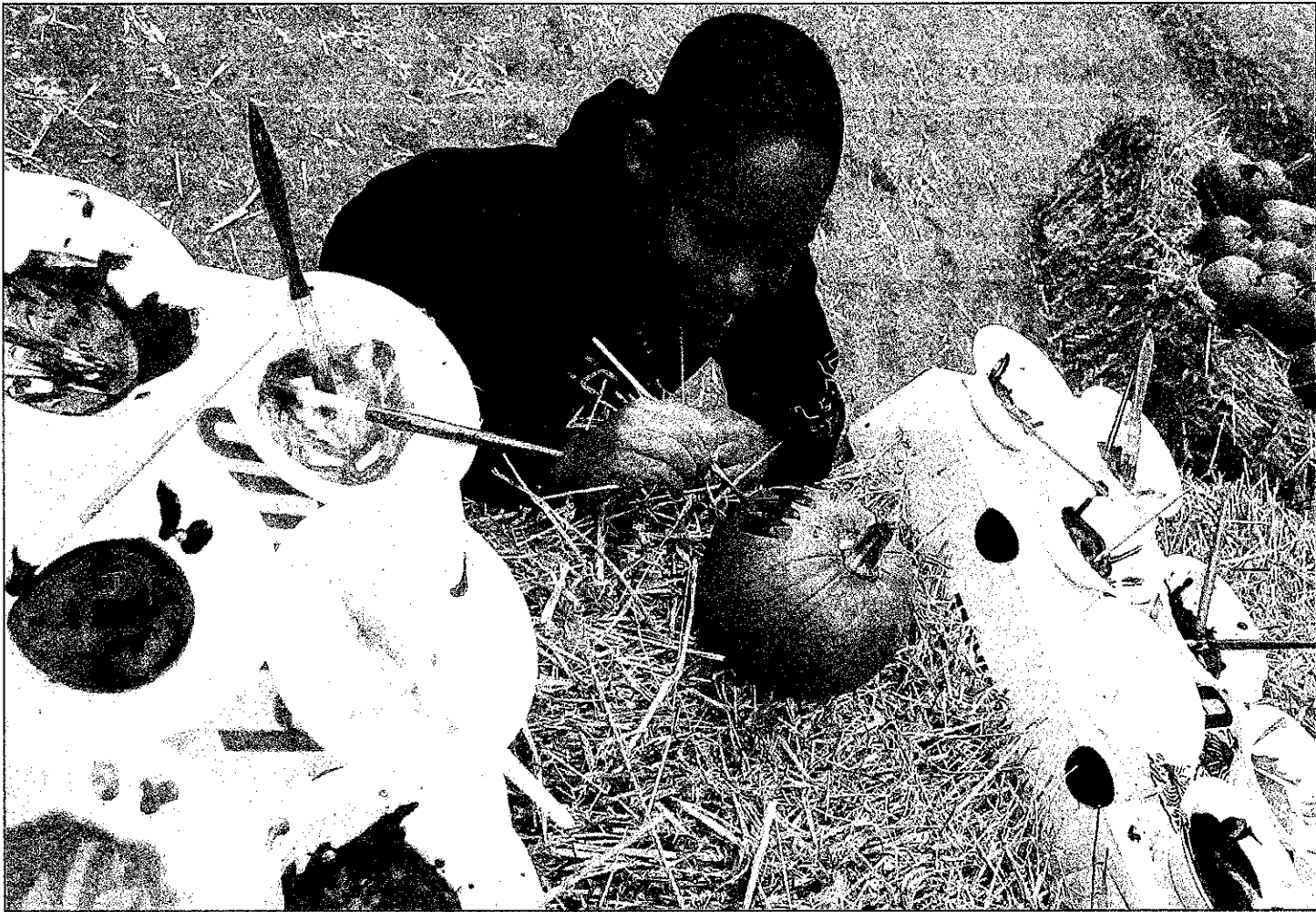
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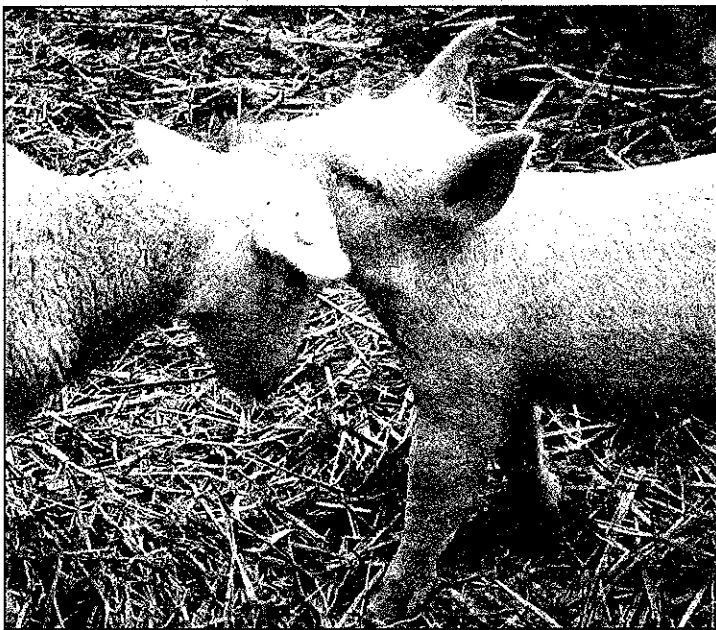


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To market, to market

Bottom, right, a lamb and piglet, courtesy of Farmer John's Barnyard Express, enjoyed each other's company during the West Park Farmer's Market Saturday, Sept. 26. Above, Larry Kania painted a small pumpkin while Jack, the dog, and his owner, Natasha Lie of Grosse Pointe Woods blended in with the scenery.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

13 beautification awards issued

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Thirteen property owners made the grade this year to receive awards from the City of Grosse Pointe Beautification Commission.

"In these times of economic uncertainty, it's a delight to see citizens in this community keep their property up," said Derek Stratelak, commission chairman.

Stratelak issued 11 awards last week for residential properties and two for businesses.

"Residential values have shrunk, but they'll come back," Stratelak said. "This occasion is important to show that the vitality of the community is still there."

Recipients who attended the September city council meeting received Pewabic tiles carrying the city logo, individualized certificates and a photograph of the owner's winning

property.

"All the hard work you do is another reason this is a great community to live in," said Mayor Dale Scrace to the winners.

Winners are:

Residential

- ◆ 58-60 Cranford Lane, John and Monica Barbour
- ◆ 612 Lakeland, Bruce and Janice Macritchie
- ◆ 615 Lakeland, Margot Ness
- ◆ 753 Lakeland, Timothy and Vanessa Lindow
- ◆ 820 Lakeland, Craig and Sheri Walworth
- ◆ 565 Lincoln, James and Holly Kargula
- ◆ 801 Lincoln, Keith and Susan Jackowsky
- ◆ 3 Stratford Place, Cassandra Belenky
- ◆ 784 University Place, Patrick and Jennifer Dixon
- ◆ 315 Washington

Charles and Michelle Becker
◆ 3 Woodland Place
Patrick and Mary Mansfield

Commercial

- ◆ Treasure Trove, 16847 Kercheval in the Village
- ◆ Dr. J. Richard Dunlap, 18136 Mack

Photos of the properties are displayed in the city hall vestibule.

Winners were culled from a city-wide list of nominees that commissioners began assembling last June.

"Commission members were assigned parts of the community to review for potential award candidates," Stratelak said. "Each commission member reviewed the list. Top scores were created and awarding formulated. We had quite a list we go through and check off to make sure things are well appointed."

Awards recognize many types of improvements.

"They're not just for pretty flowers," Stratelak said. "They can be for well-manicured lawns, concrete that looks good, paint maintained. We look at the total package to make sure it meets certain standards. But, these are the standouts that really look good."

The commission was established during the 1980s. Awards also are meant to encourage property owners to beautify their houses or businesses.

"In all the Grosse Pointes collectively, you see the focus and sense of pride of ownership people have," Stratelak said.

Commission board members also include Vice Chair Betsy Rowe, Joseph Jennings, Tracy Lyon, Sue Antonelli, Susan Hartz, Andy Hartz, Mary Scrace and, as city council liaison, Councilman Donald Parthum.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Buying trees in bulk

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A joint purchasing agreement has given three of the Grosse Pointes extra muscle in the marketplace to get better deals on trees.

"This is another opportunity where three communities came together to collaborate on a bidding process," said City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrace.

The City saved \$95 per tree by coordinating its fall tree planting purchase with Grosse Pointe Park and Shores. Total savings for the City's order of 50 trees totaled \$4,750.

Scrace, citing the tight municipal budget, equated the cost-saving strategy to "eating an elephant one bite at a time."

"For the second year in a

row, the City coordinated with Grosse Pointe Shores and Park for starting a cooperative tree planting project" said Frank Schulte, City public service supervisor. "The intent was to potentially reduce prices on tree costs by jointly purchasing trees in bulk quantity. This year, bids were tabulated for planting 115 trees for the three communities, 50 of which are for the City."

New trees will replace those on municipal property and rights-of-way lost to emerald ash borer, Dutch elm disease, traffic accidents and weather damage.

"Tree varieties and planting locations are selected to allow proper growth of new trees and provide an aesthetic balance with existing trees," Schulte said.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Four road resurfacing projects

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The baddest of the bad will get cut down to size during this year's road resurfacing program in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"This work targets only the worst blocks identified in the annual street condition survey (and) consists of only 1 1/2 mill (of the surface removed) with no curb work," said Skip Fincham, assistant city manager.

ager.

The piecemeal project targets the following locations:

- ◆ Rivard north of Goethe,
- ◆ a portion of the lower half of Lakeland north of Charlevoix,
- ◆ the lower half of University between Jefferson and Maumee, and
- ◆ Maumee west of St. Clair.

Work is expected to begin this month, Fincham said.

"Given the fiscal constraints of the city, this work is the only

street work funded by local funds this year," Fincham said.

Asphalt Specialists, based in Pontiac, won the contract by under-bidding six competitors. Asphalt's bid of \$94,386.75 was \$1,410 less than the next lowest bidder. The highest bidder wanted more than \$131,000.

Construction involves grinding away 4,725 square yards of

road surface and replacing it with 528 tons of bituminous aggregate.

"Funds to cover this project are in the capital improvement program for streets, which included \$119,338 for this purpose," Fincham said. "In previous years, local street improvements have been funded at approximately \$250,000 annually."



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Portions of four streets to be resurfaced this month in the City of Grosse Pointe will not be comprehensive rebuilds as its taking place on St. Clair north of the Village.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Kris Hummel was only trying to meet new neighbors and pet a few furry heads when she put out a canister of dog treats and a bowl of water at the end of her driveway three years ago. Her tribute to her departed dog is now known throughout the community.

Simple gesture brings rewards

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

There is a modest memorial at the edge of University and Kercheval that causes curious canines, out for a daily stroll, to pick up step.

It's likely the white-washed canister of chewy biscuits or the quenching bowl of cool water that prompts a pooch to perk up near that certain stretch of sidewalk.

Yet, on some profound, but theoretical level is the notion they are stopping by to visit an old friend.

For three years, Diesel's Landing has existed as a living tribute to Kris Hummel's former black Labrador retriever, the 110-pound "gentle giant" she and her husband, Greg, considered their first born, long before daughters Jo, 12, and Jenna, 7, came along.

"He was the perfect companion — man's best friend," said Hummel, an assistant in the computer lab at Parcels Middle School. "He was a typical lab: he loved the water, fishing with my husband."

But at 11 years old, just as her family sold their house in Grosse Pointe Park to move to the City, Diesel's health took a downhill turn. He died in 2005 from inoperable bone cancer.

Says Hummel, "We were grateful his suffering was short."

Several months after settling into her new house, Hummel found herself on the porch, daydreaming as she watched a



Jo and Jenna Hummel stand with their new dog, Malibu, in front of Diesel's Landing which sits at the end of Kris Hummel's driveway along Kercheval Avenue, just a few blocks from the Village, a convenient place for dog walkers and their four-legged friends. The site, decorated for the seasons, provides dog treats, cold water and even a waste receptacle.

parade of dogs go by, out for an afternoon walk.

"I realized we have room at the end of our driveway to put some dog treats down. I actually did it for purely selfish reasons, to pet a few heads and meet some new neighbors, and it took off," she remembers.

Hummel added a water bowl

and a waste bin, along with a sign, to the small stretch of yard. For the springtime season, she dressed up Diesel's Landing with Easter decor; in the fall, she included mums, hay barrels and pumpkins; and around the holidays, she put up a small Christmas tree, twinkle lights and even a heat-

ed water bowl.

Somehow, it didn't take long for word to spread throughout the community — and even beyond — about Hummel's simple tribute, something many admired and appreciated.

"People have come by with their dogs, without their dogs — they stop to share a story,



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE HUMMEL FAMILY

Diesel, the family's 11-year-old black Labrador retriever, died of inoperable bone cancer in 2005.

stop to share homemade treats. I just thought it would be something kind of fun, but it's become its own entity," she said. "The landing itself receives Christmas cards. People from out of town send letters and drawings of what it meant to them. It has really been a heartwarming experience."

Hummel says usual passers-by drop off bones and biscuits at her side door, and often monetary donations she uses to replenish her supply of doggy treats.

"It's nice they want to help, whether they know us or not."

Aside from getting to know those she didn't in the community, Hummel says she also enjoys hearing stories about visitors' experiences.

Several testify their four-legged friend speeds up when

they know Diesel's Landing is just up ahead. One family shared Hummel's story with friends, residents of Oakland County. They showed up a few days later, family dog in tow, to experience the site themselves.

Though the Hummels didn't plan on bringing a new puppy into their family just yet, one arrived anyway. Last year, Jo and Jenna came home from a trip to California with a Cavalier King Charles spaniel. Malibu was a gift from the aunt and uncle the sisters flew out to visit.

But for Hummel, Diesel still holds a special part of her heart.

"I think if he could, he would be grateful, sitting there smiling as everyone walked by, wagging his tail."

COMPLAINT: Campaign investigated

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trative law examiner with the state department's legal and regulatory services administration.

"I think there's something to this or I wouldn't be pursuing it," said Schulte. "I certainly wouldn't be wasting anybody's time."

Schulte won his first term in office. Pemberton did not.

"Underlined in the letter, it

states: 'It is important to understand that the department is neither making these complaints nor accepting the allegations as true,'" said McInerney, who considers the allegations asked and answered.

"Their complaints allege the same thing they complained to the city council about earlier this summer," McInerney said. "I responded to them in great detail at the July 21 council meeting. I answered all questions asked by Mr. Schulte. Dr. Pemberton wasn't there. I thought the matter was resolved. Apparently, it's not resolved in their minds."

Vick explained at the July

meeting he thought the complaints were born of misunderstandings. He said he'd recently been hired to manage the city, had been asked about claims made in some of the two candidates' election fliers, didn't know the answers and so forwarded the material to McInerney for clarification.

"This review of literature was not across the board of all candidates," Pemberton said. "Why was my literature pulled? If there was a question about my campaign material, why wasn't I called? I've given them lots of opportunity to talk to me about this. I have asked, repeatedly, all parties concerned what did the re-

I think there's something to this or I wouldn't be pursuing it. I certainly wouldn't be wasting anybody's time.'

DAN SCHULTE,
Grosse Pointe Shores

view result in. I have not received any answers to those responses."

McInerney said his response to the state will be "very much like what was heard at the council meeting that night."

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

The following students graduated from Western Michigan University in spring 2009: Derek J. Hartman of the City of Grosse Pointe; William B. Fitzgerald of Grosse Pointe Farms; Amanda C. Gay, Scott Jarboe, Kirsten L. Johnson, Robin T. Parrent and George P. Tecos, all of Grosse Pointe Park and Shaun M. Butler, Carrie M. Casinelli, Scott J. Ciraulo, Julie A. Feikens and Amanda F. Llaneza, all of Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆◆◆
Stephanie Garbarino of Grosse Pointe recently became a member of the national leadership and honors organization, Sigma Alpha Lambda.

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Luke Mitchell of Grosse Pointe graduated May 2009 from Ferris State University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and law enforcement.

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	SMOKED PORK CHOPS	\$4.99 LB.
	PORTERHOUSE STEAKS	\$7.99 LB.
	T-BONE STEAKS	\$7.49 LB.
	VFM KIELBASA	\$1.99 LB.
	GROUND CHUCK	\$2.49 LB.
	BEEF KABOBS	\$7.99 LB.

	QUICK & EASY ENTREES 350° FOR 30 MINUTES	
	CHICKEN KIEV	\$2.49 EA.
	CHICKEN WITH BROCCOLI & CHEESE	
	CHICKEN CORDON BLEU	

	MAPLE BBQ SALMON	\$9.99 LB.
	COOKED SHRIMP	\$6.99 LB.
	COCKTAIL SAUCE	\$1.49 EA.
	ORCA BAY COD FILLET	\$7.99 12 OZ. PKG.

DELI DELIGHTS & BAKERY

	VIRGINIA HAM	\$5.99 LB.
	CORNEED BEEF	\$6.99 LB.
	EVER ROAST CHICKEN	\$5.99 LB.
	REGULAR BOLOGNA	\$3.99 LB.
	HAVARTI WITH JALAPENOS CHEESE	\$5.99 LB.

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	"FRENCH" BOUCHON ROLLS	\$1.99 DOZEN
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FLORAL & FRESH PRODUCE

	MICHIGAN FRESH GREEN PEPPERS	2/\$1
	HONEY CRISP APPLES	\$1.99 LB.
	CANTALOUPE	2/\$4
	GRAPE TOMATOES	3/\$5
	LARGE CARVING PUMPKINS	\$3.99 EA.
	6" GARDEN MUMS	3/\$10
	22 STEM JUMBO FALL BOUQUET	\$12.99
	FRESH CUCUMBER	3/\$1
	IDAHO POTATOES	\$1.79 5 LB. BAG
	EARTHBOUND SALAD MIX	\$2.99 EA.
	ROMAINE HEARTS	2/\$4

	COUNTRY FRESH MILK (EXCLUDES CHOCOLATE)	2/\$3
	REDDI-WIP WHIPPED TOPPING	\$1.99 7 OZ. CAN
	BREYERS ICE CREAM ASSORTED VARIETIES	\$2.99 48 OZ.
	FRESHLIKE VEGETABLES (EXCLUDES CAULIFLOWER, BLENDS & SELECTS)	99¢ 1 LB. BAG
	BARILLA LONG CUTS PASTA (EXCLUDES LASAGNA)	99¢ 1 LB. BOX
	VIGO YELLOW RICE	4/\$5 10 OZ. PKG.
	PROGRESSO BLACK BEANS	75¢ 15 OZ. CAN
	NEW YORK FOCACCIA STICKS	\$1.29 5 OZ. PKG.
	HENDRICKSON'S DRESSINGS	\$2.49 16 OZ. BOTTLE
	PUFFS FACIAL TISSUE	5/\$5 132 CT. BASIC OR 60 CT. ULTRA OR PLUS LOTION

	OIKOS YOGURT	4/\$5 5.3 OZ.
	LAUGHING COW SPREADABLE CHEESE WEDGES	\$2.88 8 PACK
	KLONDIKE ICE CREAM BARS ASSORTED VARIETIES	\$2.99 6 PACK
	ROSETTO STUFFED PASTA (TORTELLINI, SHELLS OR RAVIOLI)	2/\$6 18-25 OZ.
	STACY'S PITA OR BAGEL CHIPS	2/\$4
	BROOKS CHILI BEANS MILD OR HOT	4/\$3 15.5 OZ. CAN
	VIVA SONOMA BISCOTTI 5 FLAVORS	\$3.49 9 OZ. BOX
	HEINZ GENUINE DILLS	\$3.99 46 OZ. JAR
	BISQUICK BAKING MIX	\$2.88 40 OZ.
	MR. CLEAN LIQUID CLEANER	\$2.69 40 OZ. BOTTLE

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BEVERAGES

	7-UP PRODUCTS	2/\$5
	ABSOPURE SPRING WATER	\$4.99 30 PACK, 16.9 OZ. BTL.
	JOSE CUERVO MARGARITA MIX	\$5.99 777 OZ. BOTTLE (PLUS TAX & DEP.)
	HOFBRAU OKTOBERFEST BEER	\$8.99 4 PACK BTL. (PLUS TAX & DEP.)
	Wine Sale! All Wines Under \$10	
	WINE PICK OF THE WEEK	
	CASTELTORNNE BARBERA D'ASTI	\$9.99 750 ML.
	SONOMA CREEK CABERNET SAUVIGNON	\$9.99 750 ML.
	ANDREOTTI CHARDONNAY & CABERNET	\$9.99 750 ML.
	MOQUE CELLARS ALL TYPES	\$9.99 750 ML.
	VIA FIRENZE CHIANTI	\$9.99 750 ML.
	CANDONI PINOT GRIGIO & CHIANTI	\$9.99 750 ML.
	GREY STONE CHARDONNAY & SHIRAZ	\$8.99 750 ML.
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	SMOKING LOON ALL TYPES	\$7.99 750 ML.
	RED DIAMOND ALL TYPES	\$7.99 750 ML.
	GOATS DO FARM FROM SOUTH AFRICA	\$7.99 750 ML.
	CERCIS SILIGASTRIUM FROM SPAIN	\$6.99 750 ML.
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CHEESE

	RENY PICOT GOUDA OR FONTINA CHEESE	\$5.99 LB.
	JARLSBERG SWISS CHUNK CHEESE	\$5.99 LB.
	PARMIGIANO REGGIANO CHEESE AGED 24-27 MONTHS	\$9.99 LB.

Chess, golf offered at Neighborhood Club

Sign-up is now available for an after school chess club and golf academy by the Neighborhood Club.

Chess

The Neighborhood Club and All The King's Men are offering Chess Club After School Classes at many of Grosse Pointe's elementary schools. The class is for children in grades 1-5 and includes instruction and practice time, as well as competitions.

All students receive a trophy during a tournament held the last class. Class runs through the week of Nov. 30 and are held at Kerby Elementary School Mondays; Maire and Ferry elementary schools Tuesdays; Mason and Trombly Elementary School Wednesdays; and Monteith, Richard and Defer elementary schools Thursdays. The fee is \$125. Reference and workbooks are optional and available for purchase only in class.

The after school golf academy is for children in grades K-

5. Students learn grip, stance and swing fundamentals, as well as the basics of the long game and the short game. Returning students strengthen their existing skills and learn new techniques.

Spanish

The Savvy Guide to Learning Spanish teaches the basics of Spanish, including vocabulary, use of verbs and communication skills and is offered from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1 at Parcels Elementary School in Room 200. The fee is \$135.

Jewelry

A Copper/Silver Enameled Jewelry class for all levels is offered from 4 to 6 p.m. or 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through Dec. 9 at Brownell Elementary School, Room C-1. Students start with a learn-the-techniques project and continue at their own pace. Materials such as brass, bronze and enameling or resin are used. A supply list and resources is provided during the first class.

The fee is \$80 and a lab fee of \$15 is payable to the instructor at the first class. The class is limited to 15.

Fitness

Four Fitness Factory classes are available.

Total Body Conditioning, for all fitness levels, helps tone and build muscle through strength training and aerobic intervals. The class meets from 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays, through Nov. 23 in the Barnes gym or 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, through Dec. 2 in the Monteith Elementary School gym. Participants should bring a mat, 3 to 5 pound weights and water.

Tai Chi

Practice of this gentle and flowing Chinese martial art can help improve balance, flexibility, relaxation and concentration. Instruction covers the Wu-style hand form, chi kung and other tai chi basics. This class, for adults of all ages, is offered from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

through Dec. 16, at the Neighborhood Club. The fee is \$40 for six weeks or \$70 for 12 weeks.

Karate

Karate classes for all ages are offered Thursdays, through Dec. 3, in Monteith's gym taught by Benjamin Wolbert, a 5th degree black belt.

Karate For Kids, for children ages 4-14, teaches Sanchin-Ryu karate in a fun, yet structured, environment. Students learn self-confidence and leadership through age-appropriate physical techniques, mental strategies and exercises. Uniforms are available but not required. This class meets from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. and costs \$54.

Karate For Families is for all ages. Parents learn Sanchin-Ryu karate alongside their children in a fun, non-competitive and informative atmosphere. Participants use their whole body, so size and stature is not an issue. This class meets from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. The cost is \$108 and covers two or more registrants from the same family.

Karate For Adults, for those 14 and up, is designed to empower adults with life-saving knowledge.

Participants learn techniques and how to deal with

and counter various grabs and other attack situations. The techniques in this karate program use the whole body so size and stature is not an issue. The class meets from 8:15 to 9 p.m. and costs \$54.

Registration for all classes can be done online at neighborhoodclub.org or in person

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

Call (313) 885-4600 with questions and visit neighborhoodclub.org for a complete description of classes, leagues and programs offered by the Neighborhood Club.

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

Harbor cracks need fixing

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

A consultant will be sought to find out why cracks are cropping up in the renovated harbor wall of Osius Park marina.

"It's not a structural issue at this point, but it does need attention," said Brian Geraghty, head of the Grosse Pointe Shores harbor committee.

The harbor reopened last year after a one-year, \$3 million renovation.

Mayor Dr. James Cooper told Geraghty to find the cause of cracks and how to fix them.

"We'll let a concrete engineer tell us what needs to be done," Geraghty said. "It's not just a concrete wall, there's

steel in it. Cracks need to be sealed or dealt with in some fashion."

"We have a 30-year bond on this wall," said Councilman Dan Schulte, liaison to the harbor committee. "The last thing I want to see is the bond to outlive the wall. This will impact the service life of the wall."

Schulte said fixing the cracks is a matter of value, not safety.

"Our entire concrete splash wall is cracking at each star-chion pipe," he said. "We had repairs done under warranty and now the repairs are cracking at the seams. Concrete never heals itself."

He equated the harbor to a new car with a bad paint job.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Insurance premium rate goes down

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The best way for an insurance customer to keep rates down is to not make many claims, which is why Skip Fincham figures the City of Grosse Pointe's liability premiums have gone down each year since 2007.

This year's premium of \$110,972, is \$3,008 less than last year and \$6,918 lower than

2006-2007.

"Because we had a low incidence of claims, it's gone down for the third year in a row," said Fincham, assistant city manager.

The average annual decrease during the period has been \$2,306.

Coverage is through the Michigan Municipal Liability and Property Pool.

The policy covers all city owned property, including ve-

hicles, contractor equipment, and electronic data processing equipment, buildings and contents and liability coverage, according to Fincham.

"If we have a special event, we're additionally insured for the person coming into the city to conduct the special event," he said.

"Those vendors supply (us) certificate of insurance to cover us in excess of our property pool coverage."

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Sidewalk program

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Federal block grant funds will be used to outfit sidewalks at six intersections with tactile warning surfaces as part of the City of Grosse Pointe's ongoing handicap detectable warning platform project.

"We started this program four years ago and will continue it one year to the next until we've finished the entire city," said Skip Fincham, assistant city manager.

This year, targeted areas are:

- ◆ Mack and Lincoln,
- ◆ Mack and Fisher,
- ◆ Waterloo and Lakeland,
- ◆ St. Clair and Maumee and
- ◆ Jefferson and University.

The later two sites will be done concurrently with a street resurfacing project.

Sidewalks at Mack and Lincoln pose an extra challenge.

"Those two sidewalk ramps have a steep grade," Fincham said. "It's going to be quite a bit of money to remove the concrete and get the proper grade. They have to go so far back into the existing sidewalk."

About half the city's intersections have been outfitted with bumpy surfaces — almost the texture of the underside of non-slip bathtub mats — to alert pedestrians with visual disabilities.

Fincham expects it will take five or six years to cover the

whole city.

Of six bidders for the project, Zuniga Cement Construction won the job. It's bid of \$37,999 was lowest of all and nearly \$4,900 less than its nearest competitor.

Work is expected to begin in two weeks.

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WEEK AHEAD:

MONDAY, OCT. 5

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MONDAY, OCT. 5

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ Last day to register to vote for the Nov. 3 election. Applications can be found at the Secretary of State's offices or a local clerk's office.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7

- ◆ Dr. Shauna Ryder-Diggs discusses how changing skin regime or a simple surgical procedure gives faces a new look from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Space is limited. To reg-

ister, visit henryford.com/hot-topics or call (800) 436-7936.

THURSDAY, OCT. 8

- ◆ Pettipointe Questers No. 243 meet at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, at 11 a.m. The program is "Behind the Paintings." Luncheon will be in the activity center.
- ◆ The 16th annual Senior Expo 2009 is from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Dr. Frank McGeorge of WDIV-TV's Good Health is the keynote speaker at 9 a.m. The event includes exhibits, giveaways, lunch, entertainment and community resource information.
- ◆ Eliminate Stress at Home and in Your Life is the topic of the 7 p.m. free seminar at Barnes Early Childhood Center, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods. The event is sponsored by The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS 19617 HARPER AVE. HARPER WOODS, MICHIGAN 48225

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Harper Woods will be accepting bids for the "SALE OF CITY EQUIPMENT".

Giant Leaf-Vacuum machines can be INSPECTED at the Department of Public Works, 19600 E Eight Mile Rd., October 5TH and October 6th, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Equipment #672 has approx. 1,155 hrs. of use, 30 hp Wisconsin engine 4 cylinders, & defective piston. Equipment #673 has approx. 495 hrs of use, 30 hp Wisconsin engine 4 cylinders.

Bids must be received no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 12th in the Office of the City Clerk, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48225 at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Any questions please call 313-343-2570. Bids must be submitted in a sealed, opaque envelope marked as follows:

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS
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Friday, October 16th
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Saturday, October 17th
Kercheval Korridor on the Hill & the Village 10a.m.-2p.m.
Mack Attack at GPW Municipal Office 20025 Mack Plaza 2-6p.m.
Let's Crow Party at Stefek's 18450 Mack 7p.m.

Sunday, October 18th
Eleanor & Edsel Ford House Exhibit "ARTIFACT" 12-2p.m.
G.P. Board of Realtors Open Houses 1-5p.m.

Friday, October 16 - Sunday, October 18

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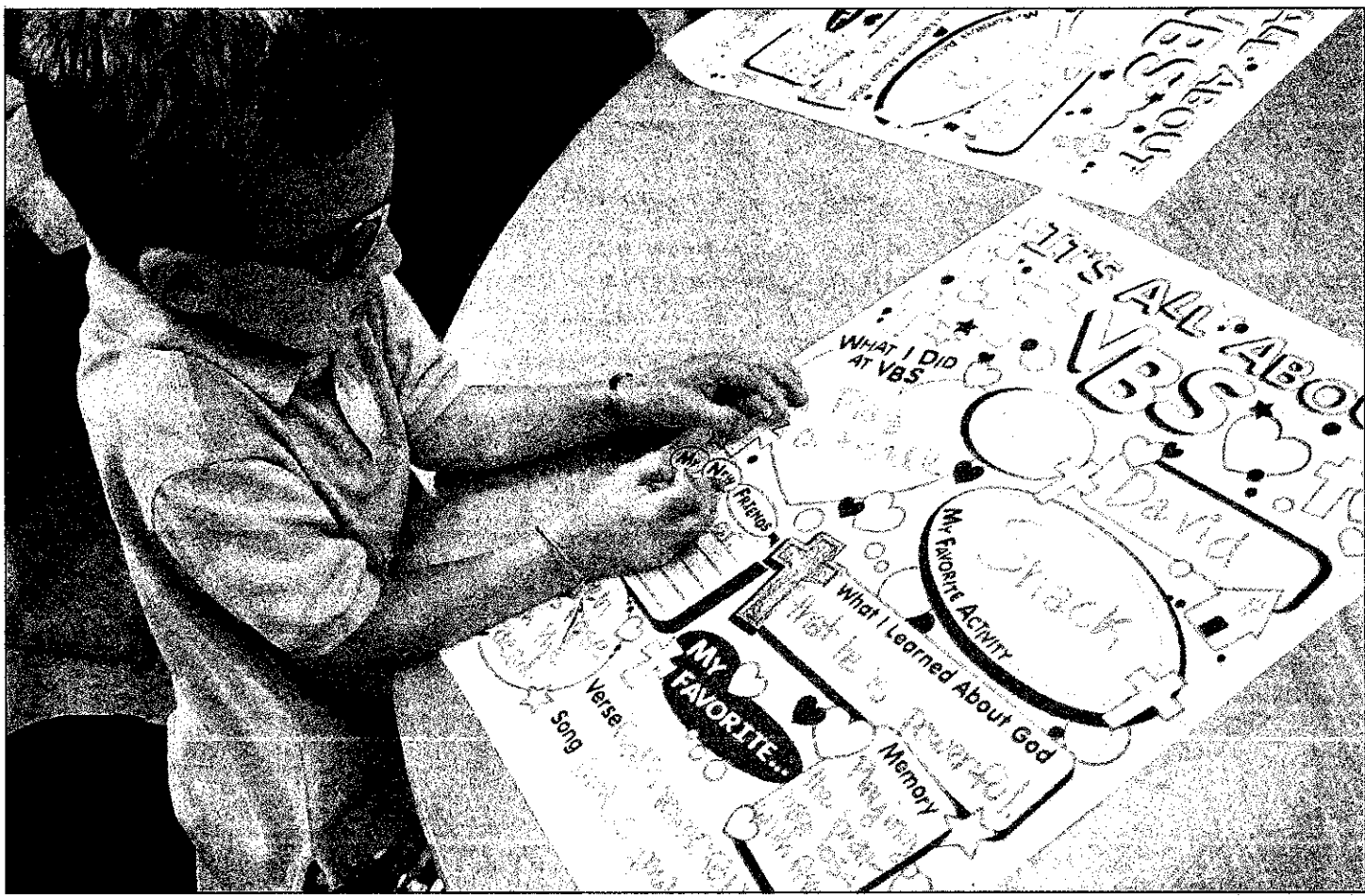
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Camp Edge

Sam Nehra and Anthony Hopkins, above, found chalk, wood chips, raffle ticket coupons, a feather and dandelion during a scavenger hunt at Camp Edge, St. Paul on the Lake's Vacation Bible School. The lesson was to seek everyday items that people overlook. Left, Daniel Ament works on a poster "It's all about VBS." The poster illustrated the lesson learned that week — that God is all powerful.

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SUNRISE: Code violations

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supposed to remove a dead tree and bush. No action was taken, so we removed it and billed them for that."

Mayor Dale Scrace asked Schulte to turn up the pressure.

"The lot meets the minimum required for code violations," Schulte said.

"I can address it and try to improve it."

"If this is on the cusp of meeting our ordinance, maybe we need to beef up our ordinance," said Councilwoman Jean Weipert.

"My concern is safety of the community," said Councilman John Stevens. "It would be appropriate to have a fence

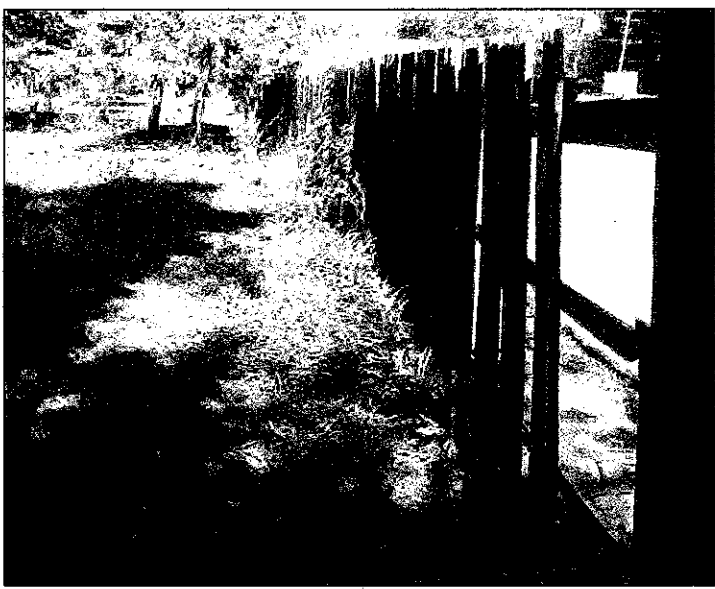


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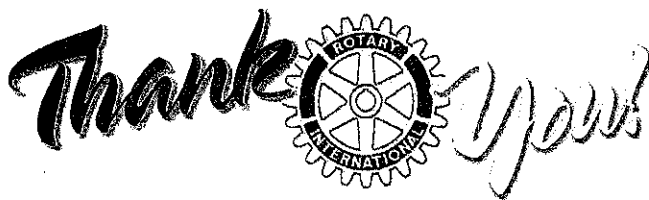
City of Grosse Pointe officials agree with a resident who says its time Sunrise cleaned up its vacant lot on St. Clair near the Village. The broken fence belongs to the city.

around the whole thing. It's an independent piece of property sitting in no man's land."

A "for sale" sign on the lot has been removed, but not be-

cause the property has been sold.

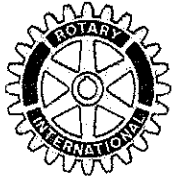
"That means they're getting a new broker," said Peter Dame, city manager.



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GUEST EDITORIAL By Anthony Cruz, M.D.

H1N1 flu season

When the number of reported cases of 2009 influenza A (H1N1), which is the official name for “swine flu,” declined during the summer in the United States, media reports about the illness dropped off too.

Thankfully, for most people the illness was mild and recovery was quick, but what we tend to remember are the continuous reports about last spring’s flu-related deaths and mass school closings. Getting much less attention were the diligent efforts of researchers working to develop and distribute a viable and safe vaccine.

But in the wake of last spring’s blizzard of media coverage, there was a significant piece of information about H1N1 that definitely should have caught the attention of the American public. A report by the President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology published last month indicated as many as 50 percent of Americans could be infected by the H1N1 virus during the coming fall and winter flu season.

The report also indicated hundreds of thousands of people may be hospitalized because of flu complications, and as many as 90,000 people may die.

In its report, the council stressed this is the worst case scenario, not a prediction, and it’s certainly not my intention to scare you with these figures. But I do think it’s important for every American to be knowledgeable and prepared to take measures to avoid becoming infected.

H1N1 is especially fearsome because of its unpredictable nature. Seasonal flu usually causes complications and death in the very young and the very old. H1N1 has claimed the lives of some otherwise healthy people aged 20 to 49 during its spring-time rampage. This happened in North America — which has been hardest hit by the virus — and around the world.

The flu season traditionally peters out just before the start of summer, then ramps up again with the return of cooler fall weather. But H1N1 never really went away this year. Instead, many states, including Michigan, continue to report sporadic H1N1 activity, and there has been an increase in reported cases since the end of August, according to the Centers for Disease Control. Six states — Alabama, Alaska, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina, as well as Puerto Rico — currently are reporting widespread flu activity.

If you have a vacation or business trip planned to any of these locations, it’s not inconceivable that you’ll be exposed to the virus.

Much of the population has no immunity to the virus. In 1976 there was a nationwide swine flu immunization campaign, but the illness never spread. The vaccination campaign was not a great success; therefore, neither the illness nor the vaccine can be said to have conferred immunity to a significant portion of today’s population.

The CDC has suggested people born before 1957 may have a natural resistance or immunity to the swine flu because of exposure to a related strain in the “Asian flu” pandemic of that year. But even if that’s the case, many millions of Americans have no immunity at all, leaving them wide open to potential infection.

Even though H1N1 is considered to be a pandemic by the World Health Organization, meaning it is widespread among many populations, there’s still no reason to panic. The CDC stresses most cases of H1N1 are mild, and most people recover without medical care.

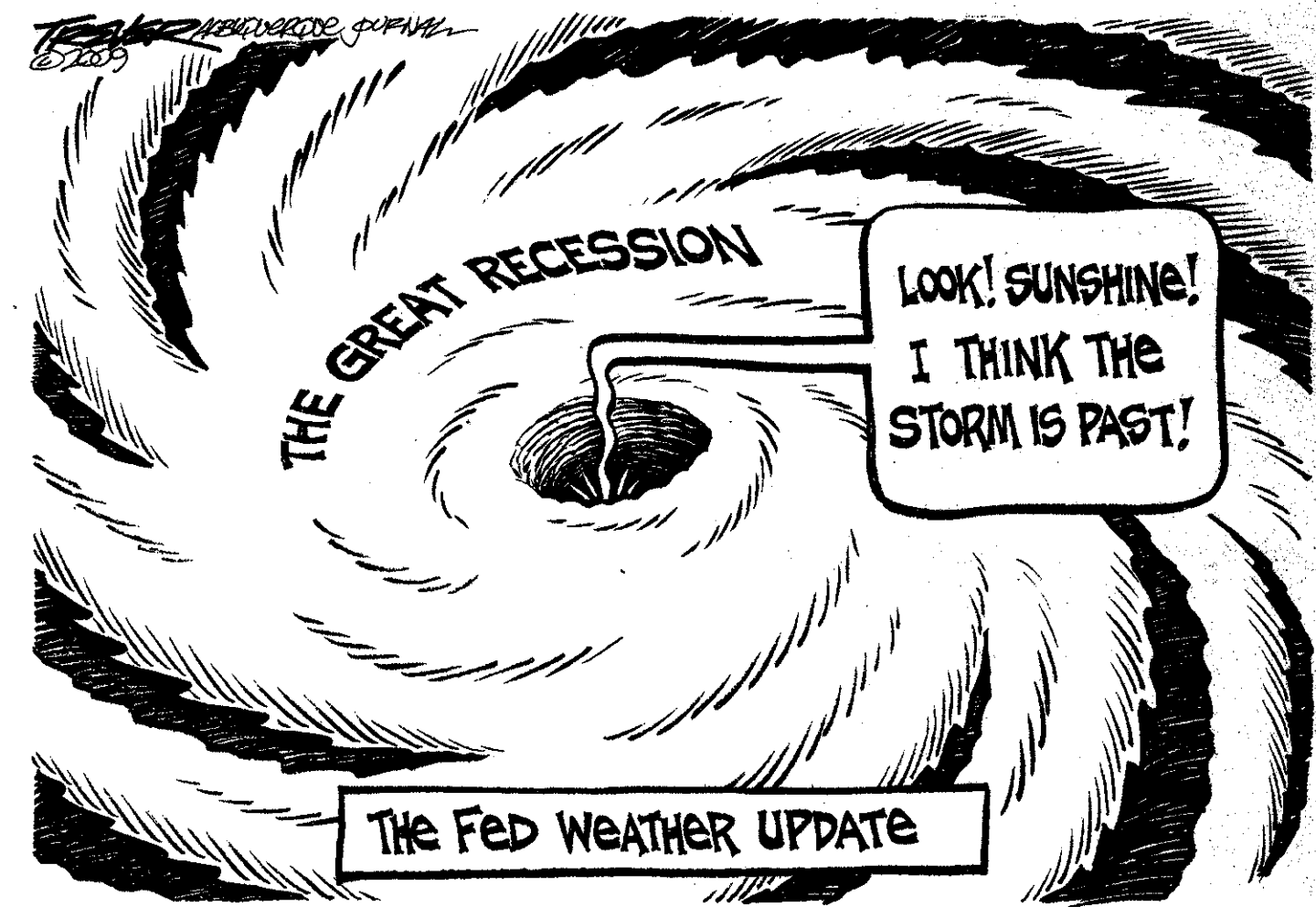
H1N1 does respond well to certain antiviral medications, including Tamiflu and Relenza. If you have flu-like symptoms, including fever, body aches, headache, chills, diarrhea, vomiting, cough, nasal congestion, sore throat and fatigue, see your primary care physician or go to the hospital emergency room right away. You can be checked immediately for H1N1 with a simple nasal swab.

If you are diagnosed with H1N1, a dose of an antiviral medication started within 24 to 48 hours of the onset of symptoms can help to shorten the duration of the illness, prevent severe illness and reduce the likelihood of a hospital stay. Also, if taken by a person who definitely was exposed to the illness, these medications can prevent him or her from getting sick if taken before the symptoms start.

There are many simple things you can do to avoid contagion, including:

- ◆ Avoid high-touch surfaces, such as doorknobs, elevator buttons and countertops, which can harbor the virus. Use a tissue to open bathroom doors or touch elevator buttons, and wipe objects and surfaces frequently with an antibacterial product or wipe.
- ◆ Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, which are transmission points for the virus. Wash your hands frequently or use an alcohol-based hand cleaner to reduce the chances of picking up a flu bug.
- ◆ Cover your mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and dispose of it properly. If you don’t have a tissue, sneeze or cough into the crook of your elbow. Doing so stops your hands from being contaminated and passing germs to the next person

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LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday.

Poor judgment and errors

To the Editor:

“As residents and taxpayers, we were appalled and outraged...” is the way Grosse Pointe Woods council members Pete Waldmeir and Joseph Sucher wrote in their letter to the editor, “Chauffeuring criminals,” Sept. 10 Grosse Pointe News, regarding the decision of Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Michael Makowski to provide safe transport to Star of the Sea accused embezzler Frederick Petz.

They believed this decision required prior approval and an explanation. “Makowski since has apologized for his judgment error, but expressed no regret” is what was written.

Makowski has been public safety director for 10 years and now members of council question his judgment.

Let’s consider the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council’s recent decision regarding budget and responsibility:

A council of “embezzlers” have reached into the pockets of the citizens to payoff a \$1.7 million accounting error. An error they have not admitted to nor apologized for, and not only provided no explanation but dropped the responsibility on the citizens in a 1.75 mill increase, an increase that affects every homeowner no matter how the numbers and percentages are spun.

This council decision, which was widely opposed and highly publicized in the press, that “we the citizens” had no means of opposing and council refused to allow the increase to be placed on the November ballot.

Citizens have lost their houses over “poor judgment and accounting errors” — maybe more council members need to lose their seats!

In an economic downturn, when home values are dropping and citizens are taking pay cuts to maintain jobs, what did the highest paid city council in the Grosse Pointes do to alleviate the budget shortfall?

Did council consider taking a pay cut or eliminating their pay altogether?

Did council consider or suggest city employees take a 10 percent pay cut, in the same manner many of the citizens of Grosse Pointe Woods have done.

Did council look at the current expenses and programs provided to citizens that are used by the few and paid by the many and scope direct means of cost cutting as required of any business when margins and income are down?

Your answer was to raise the

cost of living in Grosse Pointe Woods without considering the source of funding and how we, the taxpayers, pay our bills.

Any existing council person or future candidate who doesn’t request to open and reconsider the current budget, does not request to have their council pay eliminated and does not reconsider citywide expenses and employee incomes on a cost and benefit basis, should consider why they were or want to be elected.

The letter by council members Waldmeir and Sucher eluded that Makowski should pay the city back for his “error in judgment.” Maybe council needs to write a check for theirs?

Remember, election to city council is a privilege not a right. The future of Grosse Pointe Woods and our citizens must be considered by putting elected officials in place who consistently show the responsibility of taking care of city business for the greater good as an honor, privilege and an opportunity to guide the city back to financial stability and success.

MICHAEL L. BAUMAN
Grosse Pointe Woods

Tailgate party a success

To the Editor:

We would like to thank all those associated with the outstanding Victory in the Pointes tailgate party at Grosse Pointe South High School last Friday evening.

It takes many people to organize an event beginning with Principal Al Diver, Grosse Pointe South Senior Class Advisors Scott Peltier and Carrie Halliburton and, of course, the restaurants.

Participating in the 2009 tailgate were Burger Pointe, City Kitchen, Dirty Dog Jazz Café, The Hill Seafood and Chop House, Dylan’s Raw Bar & Grille, Cold Stone Creamery, Biggby Coffee and Lucy’s Tavern on the Hill.

We also would like to recognize adult volunteers Lucy Osaer, Ed Lazar, Cheryl Maniaci, Mary Cullen, Cheryl Maniaci, Sally Whims, Tara Cholody, Betsy Fox, Joellen Cumpata, Gary Cumpata, Daisy Hartz, Sheri Walworth, Sue Garey, Kirk Garey, Mary Berschback, Sue Armbruster, Lisa LaGassa, Krista Anderson and Roseann Kovalcik.

Several members of the senior class also assisted: Torie Palffy, EA Kennedy, Cherie Estell, Kiki Fox, Elena Elskens, Ellie Voci, Katherine Palms, Sara Becker, Rose Pawlowski, John Maniaci, Bobby Sullivan, Kaite Hamm, Darien Paone, Caroline Cullen and Cassie Rickard.

In addition, the Grosse Pointe South Jazz Combo, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Cavanaugh’s Invitation & Stationery store and Grosse Pointe News media partner added much to the success of this event.

We are pleased to donate partial proceeds of the event to the Grosse Pointe South 2010 Senior Class.

MARYHUEBNER
President
Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce

Privatizing Woods’ EMS service

To the Editor:

I am so tired of government bodies, this time the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, threatening its residents with the loss of an excellent Emergency Medical Service within our community.

Why is it when budget cuts must be made, government bodies first thought is to cut police, fire and/or EMS service?

Why did Grosse Pointe Woods not follow the city manager’s suggestion of not replacing the retired city clerk? This would have been a saving of \$80,000-plus.

The No. 1 function of government is to protect citizens from foreign and domestic enemies.

Here are some questions I have:

- ◆ Does the Woods’ EMS unit respond to fire runs?
- ◆ Is the EMS department a separate entity from the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety department?
- ◆ Did not the Woods recently spend thousands of dollars on a new EMS rig? What will happen to this rig?
- ◆ Will the private ambulance service respond to fire runs? If yes, how much will this cost the city? Our public safety officers’ safety should not be placed in jeopardy by not providing immediate medical service/transportation to them while fighting a fire.
- ◆ Will a private ambulance service show up at a staging point during a barricaded gunman situation? During a hazardous materials situation? Or any similar situation? What will this cost the city? Once again we should provide immediate medical care to our officers.
- ◆ Do personnel on a private ambulance rig have the same training as our present EMS personnel?
- ◆ What about response time to a medical call? Our present city EMS average response time is three minutes, while private ambulance response time is 12 to 15 minutes.

I heard councils’ rhetoric the reason for increasing our taxes was to keep the services this community has become accustomed. Will privatizing ambulance service support the councils’ rhetoric?

The public safety department along with the EMS unit has an obligation to protect and serve Woods’ citizens. Woods’ citizens have an obligation to protect and watch out for the welfare of our public safety department and EMS unit.

MARGARET POTTER
Grosse Pointe Woods

Keeping G.P. Woods safe

To the Editor:

Wake up, residents of the city of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The city manager and the director of public safety are looking at eliminating your emergency medical service and replacing it with a private company.

Public safety is fire, police and EMS — we need all three to keep our city “SAFE.”

F.A. MECHA
GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Booster’s garage sale success

To the Editor:

As parents of Grosse Pointe South High School choir students, we want to thank the Grosse Pointe community and the Grosse Pointe News for their generous support and contributions to the Choir Boosters’ garage sale held Saturday, Sept. 19.

We were astounded by the outpouring of donations, willingness of the volunteers to help, and generosity of the shoppers!

A fun time was had by workers and shoppers alike browsing through the assorted treasures.

The funds raised will be partially used for scholarships, choreography, costumes and to perform in Greece in 2010.

Our garage sale was a success thanks to you.

Please join the Grosse Pointe South choirs Oct. 30 and/or Nov. 1 at the Performing Arts Center for our fabulous Fall Follies performance, where you can see firsthand the talent your support helps to enrich.

Tickets are now on sale at Posterity: A Gallery in the Village.

DONA JOHNSON-BEACH
KATHY MAROWSKIE
Grosse Pointe South Choir
Boosters Garage Sale
Co-chairs

Watch for squirrels on roads

To the Editor:

By and large, Grosse Pointe drivers are a courteous lot — but too many of them are “killers,” judging by the number of dead squirrels on our streets every year at this time.

It’s not that anyone is trying to run the animals over, but they get hit because people continue to believe squirrels know how to get out of the way in time to avoid cars.

If that’s true, why do so many die under our wheels?

Expect squirrels — and children and pets — to dart out, and prepare to brake for them when necessary.

Keeping to the 25 mph speed limit on residential streets is a great start.

Why bother about squirrels when there are so many of them? They are here, they share this space with us and they deserve to live.

Looking out for them is not only the ethical thing to do, but teaches children by example to respect and care for all life.

JIM GERARDI
Grosse Pointe Farms

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I SAY By Ann L. Fouty

Mascot needed for hand washing course



Wouldn't Ignaz Semmelweis be heartened with all the attention hand washing is getting today?

Some 150 years ago, the Austrian-Hungarian physician, practicing in a Vienna hospital, demonstrated how this simple act of hygiene improved overall health. Of course, his idea was met with skepticism for 50

years. A revolutionary idea is always a hard sell.

What would he say to an entire week being dedicated to the sudsing up of hands?

Apparently, we need a refresher course of what Mom taught. She would stand behind the toddler gently rubbing chubby hands together as bubbles formed; each feeling the soothing motion. This time of bonding was really an early hygiene lesson. Hurrah for Mom.

Now, in steps Henry The Hand — Champion Handwasher. This yellow guy in blue shorts not only explains why washing hands is so important, but he discusses the necessity of covering a sneeze

and cough during the entire week of Dec. 6-12.

I think those lessons were taught at home, or at least in preschool.

Nonetheless, we need a mascot to tell us not to touch our face but to try the sniff test.

Don't preschool children do that?

If your hands smell clean, Henry's website says, they are clean.

What would Emily Post, or now her great-granddaughter, say about sniffing your hands? Let alone your mother.

"No, really, I just want to check to make sure they are clean."

You don't know having just

washed with soap injected with microbial beads of bacteria fighting strength, of which there is a great selection?

Companies have made hand washing a fun, family-friendly activity using soap in a solid or liquid form. And it comes in a shape and color to match any and all bathroom and kitchen decor.

"Hey, kids let's use this new antibacterial soap that's scented mango/apricot/lemon/cucumber and mulberry in a heavenly shade of salmon/lavender/chartreuse and azure to scrub away those nasty H1N1 germs."

Thus that one December week, we all should be wash-

ing our hands and singing "Happy Birthday," the length of time prescribed to deter germs and send them down the drain to the lake. Thank goodness we Michiganders don't swim and boat during December.

The so-designated week heralds the beginning of Christmas shopping and holiday-gathering season. A good hostess will have a pop-up container of hand wipes next to the appetizers and a sneeze shield over the smorgasbord, not to mention soap infused with hand-softening lotion in the guest bathroom.

Hand-washing week comes at a time when the Northern Hemisphere is trudging into

cold and flu season, specifically into the H1N1 season.

The media, health officials and mothers have been whipped into a frenzy with this flu strain, while shoving hand sanitizers into backpacks next to a box of 64 Crayolas, reminding teens to "use that stuff I bought you" and business men and women wondering what's lurking on the hands of co-workers.

Being consciousness, we should scrub like surgeons, cleaning from nail to elbow and taking the epidermis layer off.

Pass the green apple scented soap this way so I can safely shake hands with Henry.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What is your favorite part of school?

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



'Mr. Heenan, the art teacher, because I love art class, I'm creative and I like to paint and draw.'
ABBEY SCHUETZE
Grosse Pointe Park



'Music class because I like to sing and make music and play piano.'
ANIA LANE
City of Grosse Pointe



'Writing the newsletter 'The Pinecone Village News' for the students because it updates them on our lunchtime games.'
GILLIAN GRAHAM
Grosse Pointe Park



'The playground woods called Pinecone Village. We all have our own tree, use pinecones as currency and we play every day.'
ALISON JIMENEZ
Grosse Pointe Park



'Art, music and science because I like to sing, draw and to experience and discover new things.'
CASSIE VALICE
City of Grosse Pointe

FROM THE ARCHIVES Compiled by Suzy Berschback

Vernier's Roadhouse and G.P. City Park



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

About 1888, John Vernier opened a roadhouse at the foot of Vernier Road on the lakefront, now in Grosse Pointe Shores, which he operated until 1895 when he sold it to his

cousin, Ed Vernier.

Ed Vernier operated there for some time, finally obtaining possession of a more pretentious place on the north side drive just west of Vernier Road where he operated on a larger scale until 1915.

He conducted a hotel as well as a roadhouse where considerable gambling took place. It was a great place to go for fish dinners; Ed Vernier specialized in fish. He had a seine of his own and caught fish daily, which he sold to his patrons. He kept the live fish in large tubs of water; the various grades were sorted so that one could pick his favorite without confusion, and the fish were priced according to size.



The mode of transportation in the early 1900s was a trolley.

In wintertime when the lake was frozen, ice boating was the popular sport. Vernier's had a long dock to which the boats could be fastened; their owners

coming in from time to time to partake of warm drinks and play the slot machines.

In 1915, he built a new place at 1010 Vernier Road, north of

the shore road, where he operated until 1918, or the beginning of prohibition, when he leased it to Robert Alexander.

Alexander opened a private gambling club at the Vernier Place that he operated for several years during the dry era until he was eventually closed.

The building remained vacant for some years and later used for storage purposes. In 1934, it again became a roadhouse. Charles Nelson leased it from the Vernier estate, where he is at present operating as the Club Nelson.

Joseph Michie, in about 1890, opened his first roadhouse at which is now the foot of St. Clair Avenue, City of Grosse Pointe where he oper-

ated for 10 years. He found the place too small for his steadily growing business and about 1901, he established his second roadhouse at the foot of now University Place in Grosse Pointe Village, where the park is now located.

Here, Michie operated on a much larger scale in his new place called the Joe Michie Beach House, as it was very close to the lake shore. He built a long dock extending into the lake for the mooring of boats. This place soon became the rendezvous of members of the Detroit Boat Club and the Detroit Yacht Club, located on Belle Isle. After devoting a day of pleasure on Lake St. Clair, the yachtsmen on their return trip would stop at Michie's to partake of refreshment, stretch their limbs and indulge in some gambling game or playing the slot machines before again returning to their respective clubhouses on the island.

In 1908, several enterprising men formed a syndicate and purchased the entire lake shore frontage from Lakeland Avenue to now Rivard Boulevard with the idea of inducing the Village to create a park. Michie's property was in the center of this tract and he sold out and retired. The deal went through and in 1910 and the waterfront park was created in the City of Grosse Pointe.

H1N1: Vaccine safety

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who touches something you've touched or handled.

◆ Consider being vaccinated against H1N1, especially if you're pregnant or are aged 25 to 64 and have underlying medical conditions such as asthma, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, etc. or if you're a health

care worker. It's also recommended people under the age of 25, including children, be vaccinated.

The CDC estimates hundreds of millions of doses of H1N1 vaccine will be made available early this fall, and it may take up to two shots to be protected.

There has been some concern about the safety of the vaccine because the 1976 flu vaccine was rushed to production and later found to have some complications. But technology has improved and researchers have learned a lot about viruses

in general and swine flu in particular in the past 33 years. The CDC says the newly developed vaccine is safe.

◆ Stay informed about H1N1. The CDC has a website devoted to information about the virus at cdc.gov/h1n1flu. Visit apple.com/itunes to get a free iPhone application, "Outbreaks Near Me," that will keep you informed on demand.

If you do develop flu-like symptoms, the CDC now recommends self-isolation — limiting your interactions with other people — for at least 24 hours after your fever ends.

This could take up to seven days after symptoms first appear, so be patient. Also, this applies even if you're taking an antiviral drug such as Tamiflu, and it's good advice for anyone with any kind of flu, not just H1N1. If you're sick, stay home!

While it's uncertain exactly what the impact and severity of the second wave of 2009 influenza A (H1N1) virus will be on the U.S. population this fall and winter, what is known is seasonal flu will return soon. Get your seasonal flu vaccination, too, since the H1N1 vac-

cine will not protect you against seasonal flu, and vice versa.

Around 36,000 people die each year in the U.S. from seasonal flu, which is much higher than the toll so far from H1N1. See your primary care physician and get properly vaccinated. The seasonal flu vaccine is available now, and the H1N1 vaccine should be ready for those in the high-risk groups in October or November at the latest.

Anthony Cruz, MD, is on staff in the department of emergency medicine at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital.

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Drunk speeder

A 19-year-old Harper Woods man was being investigated at 12:40 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, for speeding a car on northbound Lakeland from Jefferson when police learned he'd been drinking.

Officers said they arrested him for having a .14 percent blood alcohol level.

17 suspensions

A 59-year-old Detroit man with 17 driver's license suspensions was cited at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, for illegally operating a black 1992 Mercury on southbound Cadieux near Kercheval.

A patrolman had pulled over the man because the Mercury had a loud exhaust system.

Wallet taken

The wallet of a 62-year-old Chesterfield Township man was taken out of his unlocked white Chevrolet pickup truck parked unattended at about 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 18, near a deli in the 17300 block of Mack.

The wallet reportedly contained \$300.

—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

'Beat South'

The Blue Devil football

team's loss at home Friday, Sept. 25, to the Norsemen of Grosse Pointe North High School was forecast when, sometime between 1:28 and 2:28 a.m. that morning, some-

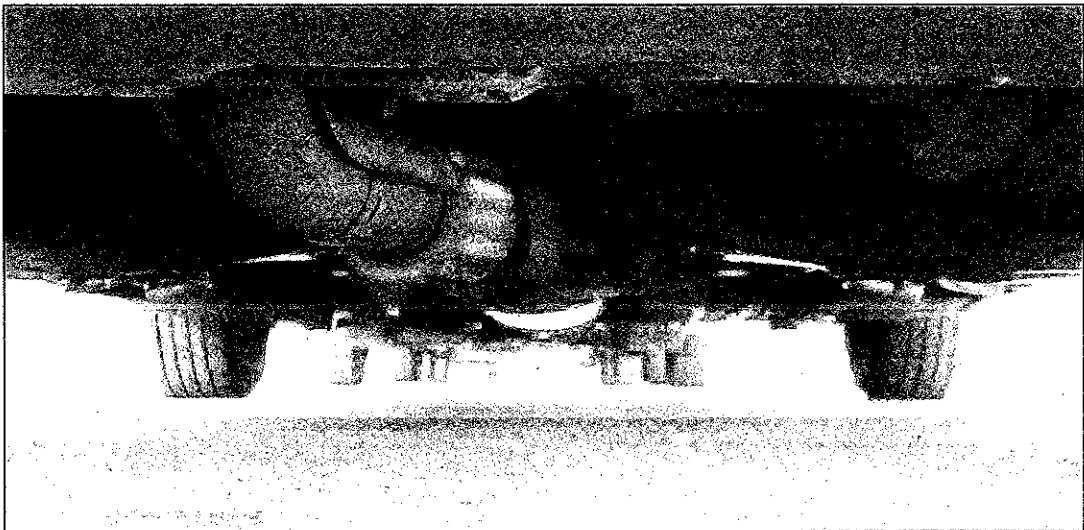


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St. Clair parking jam

Parking restrictions might be tightened further on a block of St. Clair south of Kercheval in the Village. Resident Mike Wilson complained that too many people shopping in the Village have been parking their cars on the block instead of in designated lots. "They're using our driveway and the middle of the street to turn around," Wilson said.

On-street spots are farther from Village merchants than City of Grosse Pointe municipal parking lots. Residents are expected to petition the city to require permit parking on the block, according to James Fox, public safety director. Parking along the stretch is limited to one hour.

one painted "Beat South" in green spray paint on the spirit rock on the Fisher side of South High.

Whoever did it is suspected of taking the prank too far. The school nameplate wall at the corner of Fisher and Grosse Pointe Boulevard was vandalized with spray painted words that could disqualify even a Viking from entering Valhalla.

A security camera that normally canvases the area wasn't working at the time, school officials reportedly told police.

Two complaints

The name of a 13-year-old Farms boy is becoming known at headquarters.

He was reported Tuesday, Sept. 22, by a Farms woman who said she saw him assault her 12-year-old son that morning outside Brownell Middle School.

"This is the second assault report this week involving (the suspect)," said an officer.

Cars entered

Two unlocked cars were reported broken into Monday, Sept. 22, while parked in the Grosse Pointe South High School lot on Fisher. Both incidents occurred during the school day.

◆ Taken out of a 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Park girl's red 2005 Jeep Wrangler were a Canon digital camera, Apple Touch and other items.

◆ Taken out of another 16-year-old Park girl's black 1996 Chevy Blazer was a \$150 car stereo faceplate.

Bike stolen

At 3:44 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 20, a black and green BMX bicycle was stolen while parked unlocked and unattended behind Wendy's restaurant, 18800 Mack.

The owner, a 15-year-old Farms boy, said the bike was stolen within 10 minutes of him parking it.

Locker thefts

A Grosse Pointe Park male attending Grosse Pointe South High School is suspected of stealing combinations to lockers in the boys locker room, opening the lockers and stealing at least three cellular telephones and \$40 cash.

Thefts are believed to have occurred between 9:42 and 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23.

Principal Al Diver reportedly found one of the stolen phones in the boy's pocket. The other two, plus cards listing locker combinations, were found in the teacher's mail room, where the suspect had been seen despite the area being off limits to students, school officials told police.

The phones belong to students from the Farms, Park and City of Grosse Pointe, police said.

School officials believe the suspect obtained the locker combinations from the gym office.

Check fraud

Tellers at Fifth-Third Bank on the Hill last week refused to cash two checks totaling \$1,983.08 presented by a Detroit man and woman. The pair is suspected of presenting fake checks at the branch earlier this month.

The suspects, both in their 50s, became nervous, tellers said, and left the bank to a black 1998 Pontiac driven by a 54-year-old Detroit man who police think also was involved in the earlier fraud.

—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 Shores

Lost drunk

Police said a 39-year-old Detroit woman they pulled over for speeding 46 mph on southbound Lakeshore near Fontana had a blood alcohol content of .16 percent.

Officers arrested the woman, who said she was lost, at 1:51 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26.

Bear not cited

Police on Monday, Sept. 21, investigated an anonymous complaint about an inflatable, 10-foot bear in a front yard on Hampton.


"(I've) seen the bear for the last eight to 10 days," said a patrolman. "The bear has a University of Michigan shirt. It is (my) opinion that the bear can be displayed during U of M football games. However, it will need to be removed at a reasonable amount of time after the game is completed. This recommendation is just a suggestion."

Blows by officer

A 46-year-old St. Clair Shores woman who also has an address in Naples, Fla., was arrested in Grosse Pointe Shores at 9:03 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, for drunken driving.

An officer cruising northbound Lakeshore said he pulled over the woman near Fontana for passing him at 10 mph over the speed limit. She reportedly registered a .17 percent blood alcohol level.

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GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Concours is fun, fun, fun

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

John Yarema leaned over his fastback 1966 Stingray, waxing a spot that had dulled somehow despite him giving the car almost constant care since buying it at auction in 1996.

"I don't consider myself its owner," said Yarema. "It owns me. It's my responsibility to make sure this car stays in good condition."

He and nearly 50 fellow Grosse Pointe Farms residents showed off their classic cars last Sunday at the Concours d'Elegance at Pier Park.

This was the second year in a row the concours was organized and hosted by the Farms Foundation to draw people to the park, where in recent years the private fundraising organization has paid for enhancements.

New this year was a parade of cars through the Farms.

Yarema has taken part in both shows.

So has Chuck Christ, owner of a black 1976 930 Porsche Turbo Carrera that has 25,000 original miles on the odometer.

"I've put only 181 miles on it since last year," Christ said.

Greg Heffner, a retired Grosse Pointe South High School teacher, brought his blue 1941 Packard sedan.

"This is one of the final cars produced before Packard shifted to war production," Heffner said. "Grosse Pointe is about heritage and old times. There was a time when these were the cars prowling Grosse Pointe."

Many auto executives of the era lived within walking distance of the park. Harley Earl, a General Motors designer

credited with starting the tail fin craze, lived on Touraine above Ridge.

Earl's fins were represented at the concours by a 1959 Cadillac Fleetwood 75 Sedan. The car has a 149.8-inch wheelbase and fins that just keep going.

A two-tone blue 1941 Cadillac Sixty Special owned by Robert and Mary Schroeder reflects artistic fashion of its day.

"This is kind of an art nouveau design," Robert Schroeder said. "Harley Earl and GM were starting to combine aeronautical design into cars. They used the same little fin and taillight up to about 1947. After that you got the super job. In 1959, they were huge."

Mary Schroeder said the car sold originally in Hollywood, Calif.

"It rides beautifully," she said. "You hardly hear the motor running, it's so quiet."

Bill Coyle brought his 1957 Thunderbird. He bought the car in 1959, replacing its pink paint job with gray. He has the original invoice listing the selling price of \$3,037.55, including backup lights for \$58.50.

"It was my daily driver until 1963," Coyle said. "I was in law school and felt I'd better get myself a new car. So, I went to Merollis Chevrolet. They offered me \$800 for it. I said, I don't think so."

The car has more than 300,000 miles on it.

"This is only the third time it's been out this year," Coyle said.

Another T-bird owner, Steve DiVirgil, has a 1968 edition painted Wimbledon White with a black vinyl top and wrap-around back seat that could double as a cocktail

lounge.

"It rides like its not on the ground," DiVirgil said. "You're floating on air in this thing. It's a real cruiser."

Brothers Christopher and David Scupholm, ages 7 and 10, respectively, watched their steps while climbing into the rumble seat of Bill Heller's 1930 Hupmobile cabriolet.

"This was the sports car of its era," Heller said.

He's owned the car 10 years and puts it to good use.

"I used to pile six kids in the rumble seat and off we'd go to the ice cream store," he said.

The air conditioning system in Gary and Susie Scheiwe's black 1935 Ford Fordor Model 48 consists of swinging up the bottom of the windshield. What the car lacks in climate control, it makes up for in roominess and comfort.

"It lopes along," Gary Scheiwe said. "Its' wonderful at about 30 to 35 mph."

They discovered the car by chance less than two years ago. It was parked on the street in Ligonier, Penn., population less than 2,000, with a for sale sign on it.

"We've put on over 1,200 miles just this year," Gary Scheiwe said.

Susie Scheiwe said she isn't a natural-born car person.

"I married a car person, but I have great fun with it," she said.

Dick Ruzzin attended the show for the second time with his red DeTomaso Mangusta, a five-speed Italian design powered by a Chevrolet engine. The speedometer goes to 200 mph.

"I drove it 135 mph once," said Ruzzin, a retired GM designer.

He said second gear gets him to about 80 mph.



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Robert Schroeder and his 1941 Cadillac. See more photos on page 12A.

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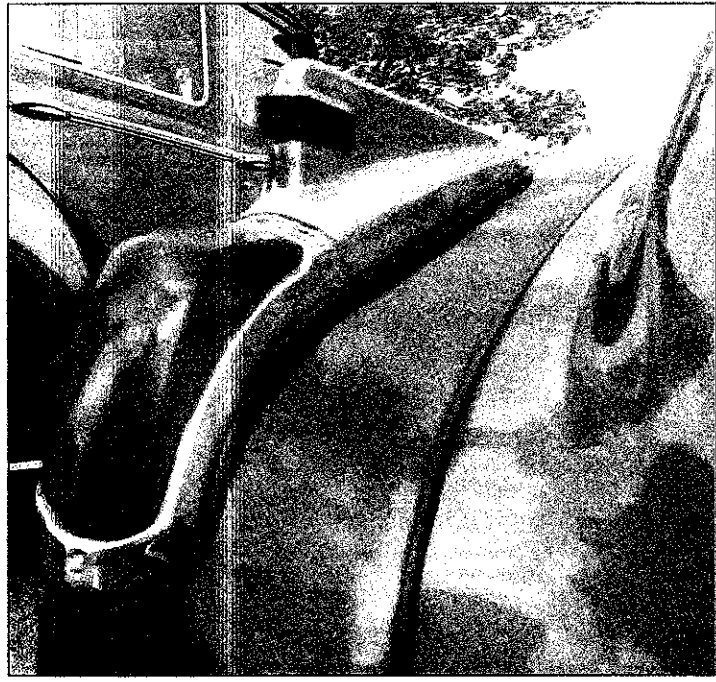
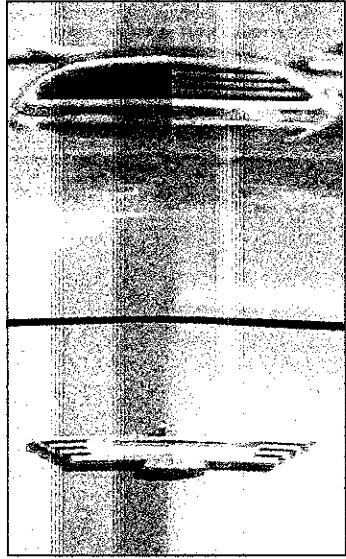
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Clockwise, from above
◆ The second annual
Concours d'Elegance, orga-
nized by the Farms
Foundation, begins with a pa-
rade through Grosse Pointe
Farms.

◆ 1959 Cadillac Fleetwood
grille.

◆ Nearly 40 vintage automo-
biles were displayed along a
landscaped path at Pier Park.

◆ Bill Heller often drives to
the ice cream store in his 1930
Hupmobile.

◆ Brothers Christopher and
David Scupholm, ages 7 and
10, respectively, of the Farms
test the rumble seat of
Heller's Hupmobile.

◆ Retired South High School
teacher Greg Heffner bought
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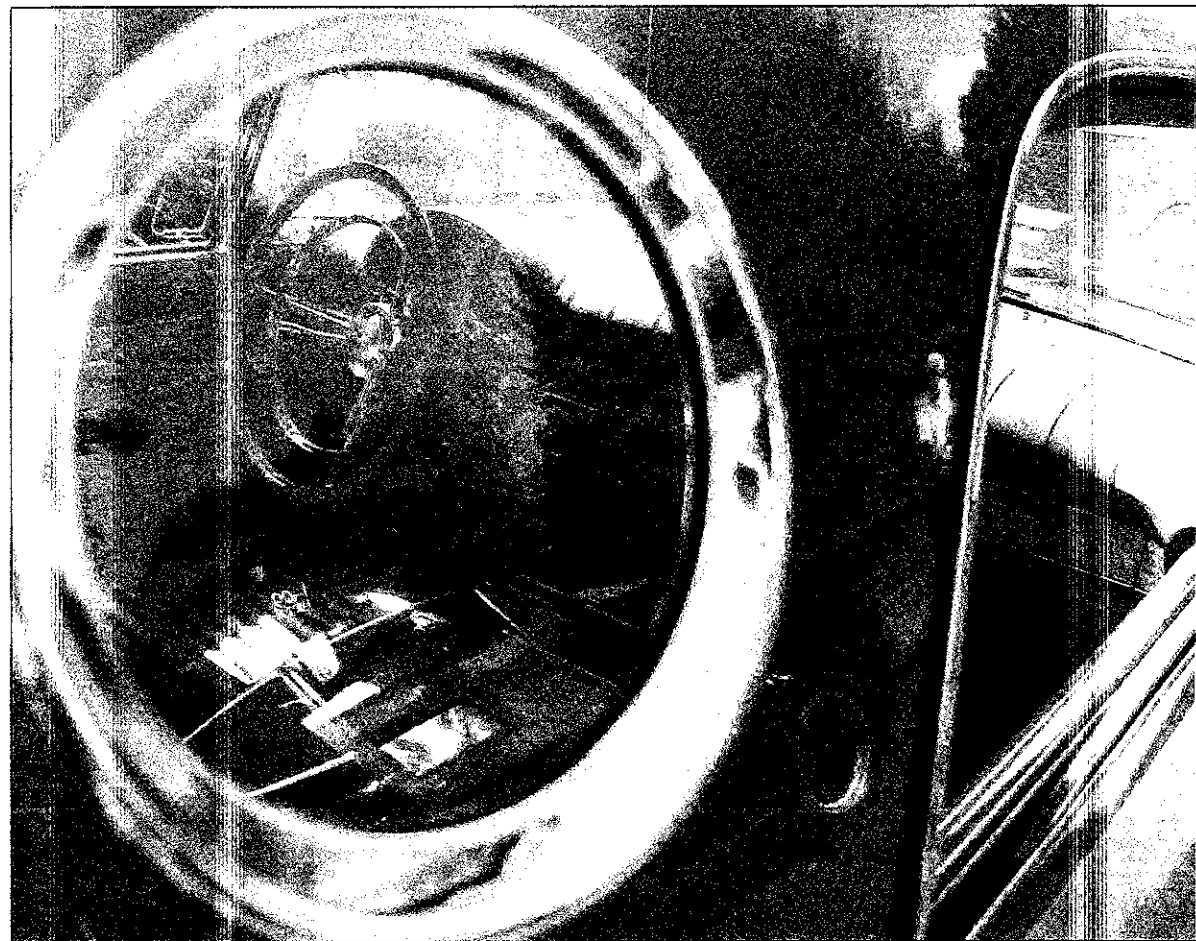
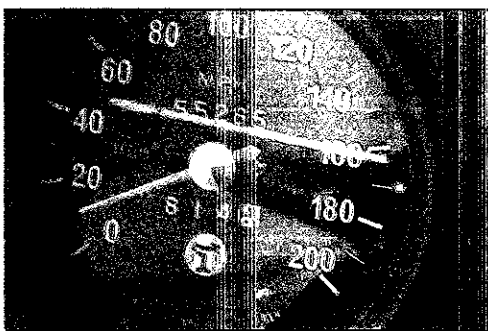
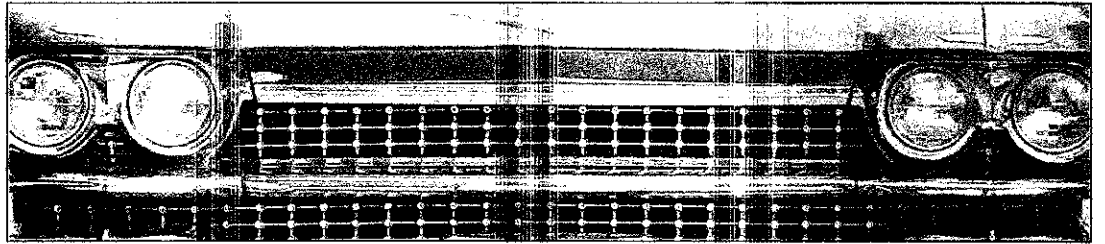
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◆ When Bill Coyle in 1959
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pink. Coyle soon took care of
that.

◆ Tail fins were the rage
when this Cadillac Fleetwood
75 Sedan was produced in
1959.

◆ The left taillight ornament
of Robert and Mary
Schroeder's 1941 Cadillac
Sixty Special conceals the
gasoline cap.

◆ 1957 Thunderbird hood de-
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Schools' cleanliness a priority to fight flu

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

The clamor last spring over the outbreak of a new influenza virus may have subsided, but health officials are still cautioning parents and schools to take preventative steps this fall.

The Centers for Disease Control says H1N1 may cause many more people to get sick than during a regular flu season. The virus can be especially serious for younger children — who haven't yet built up immunity to it — and those with chronic medical conditions, such as asthma, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.

The Grosse Pointe school district is doing its part by not only reminding students and families of simple steps to safeguard against the illness — encouraging children to wash their hands regularly, cover their mouths when coughing and stay home when they are sick — but also keeping buildings extra spotless.

"We've done an audit of our cleaning products and have a cleaning protocol for building support staff to use. When incidents of disease are even higher, we have additional cleaning beyond what we usually do," said Superintendent Suzanne Klein.

"Custodians will do more cleaning of keyboards and classroom desks, the drinking fountains will be wiped down

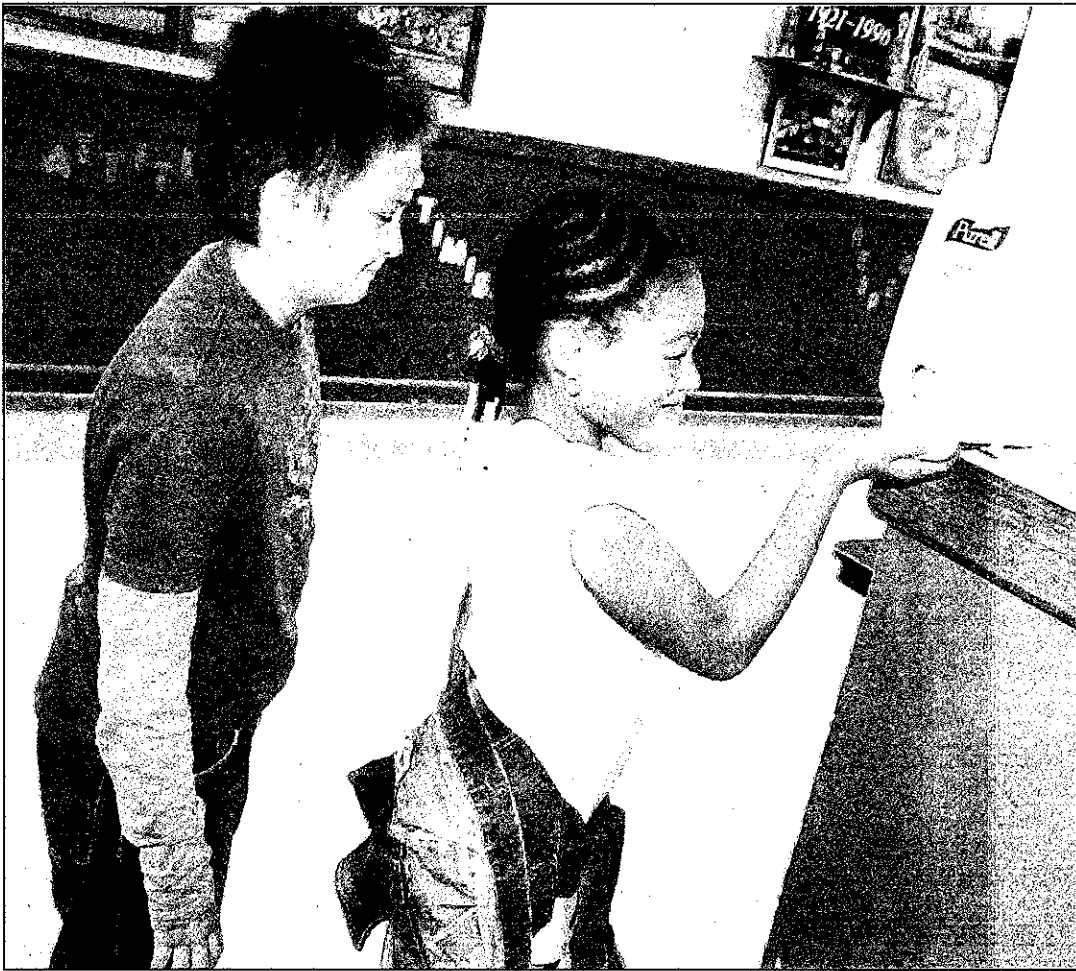


PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Defer Elementary students Zachary Grieser and Jetwyn Wilson use a hand sanitizer outside the school gym. The district is installing the sanitizers in all the buildings' critical areas, such as outside the cafeteria and computer lab to help keep germs off lunch trays and keyboards.

before and after lunch ... We made sure the products are the ones that are going to do the best possible job ... so the kind of enemy they can combat is H1N1."

Tom Zaglaniczny, the dis-

trict's supervisor of custodial operations, says the product used on every hard surface a student might touch contains both a cleaner and disinfectant.

The CDC states the H1N1 virus dies within several hours.

"We're upping cleaning a little more than usual. Even though the CDC just recommends a routine cleaning, we're doing more high-touch areas," he said.

New alcohol-free hand sani-

A guide to influenza

How can I protect my child against flu?

The Centers for Disease Control recommends a seasonal flu vaccine for yourself and your child to protect against the viruses. Also, take everyday steps to prevent the spread of all flu viruses:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. If soap and water are not available, alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way. Teach your child to take these actions, too.
- Try to keep your child from having close contact (about 6 feet) with sick people.
- Keep surfaces like bedside tables, surfaces in the bathroom, kitchen counters and toys for children clean by wiping them down with a household disinfectant according to directions on the product label. Throw away tissues and other disposable items used by sick persons in your household in the trash.

How does the flu spread?

Both H1N1 flu and seasonal flu are thought to spread

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tizers are also being installed in schools throughout the district, outside each cafeteria and computer lab and in busy hallway areas.

"For the computer lab area, students foam in and foam out, so a teacher doesn't have to wipe down all the keyboards because their hands are clean walking in and walking out."

Over the summer, officials

began working with the Wayne County Department of Public Health as part of a preparedness planning group and learned the district would likely be a site for vaccination clinics.

It's expected the vaccine will be available mid to late October. Children are expected to need two doses spaced three

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Hallowed halls hold special history

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

If the walls of the Grosse Pointe Academy could talk, they would share stories of growth, legacy, tradition and a small, but tenacious group that didn't give up the fight to keep open its doors.



This weekend, the independent school situated along the shoreline of Lake St. Clair observes 40 years of educating students with "a Christian outlook and a Catholic heritage."

Generations of learners have strolled its hallways, found comfort within its chapel, established irreplaceable friendships and embraced a community enriched by diversity, individuality and spiritual development.

The academy's journey, current students will hear, wasn't always guaranteed. Along with decades worth of tales that highlight its history, they'll learn about the resilience of a 124-year-old campus from which enduring traditions first came.

It's a story Carole Peabody knows well.

The lifelong Pointe resident was a student at the site's original all-girls school, Academy of the Sacred Heart, which first opened its doors to students, from grades 1-12, in the late 19th century.

The school was planned by the Religious of the Sacred Heart, an order of nuns founded in post-

The Religious of the Sacred Heart was a cloistered order; the nuns did not leave the campus. So until the late 1940s, the property was a self-sustaining farm. A chicken house sat along Moran, Peabody remembers, and toward Grosse Pointe Boulevard, apple, pear and cherry trees flourished, along with grape arbors and raspberry bushes.

The nuns and students, some of whom lived at the then boarding and day school, ate the fruit in season. The nuns canned applesauce, jams, jellies and other condiments that helped feed everyone through the winter months.

Peabody says the academy, like what exists today, was known for providing superior education. English was important, and students were taught to write very well.

When she saw a nun in the hallway, she curtsied. And though the curriculum and its instructors were challenging and strict, they were respected, admired and appreciated.

"We were brought up not only as ladies with a good Catholic faith, but also future leaders of our community," said Peabody, who graduated in 1951.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY

The academy's students today are still as lively as those who first walked through its doors in the 1883.

to figure out how to keep the academy's doors open.

"They were all young parents like myself and that wasn't really the group to do anything. They were all

Robinson and Peabody appealed to the Religious in New York, who finally agreed to let their group purchase the property.

Mercier calls himself the "match to light the fire."

All five of his children are now alumni.

"My mother and all of my aunts went there, my three sisters went there and I wanted my children to go there. It's an irreplaceable piece of property and an irreplaceable group of buildings. I can't imagine what would have happened if it went to a wrecking ball," he said.

Both Robinson and Peabody became founding trustees and helped decide the school would reopen in the fall of 1969 as a co-educational campus for children in preschool through eighth-grade.

The high school was given up because of the expense to keep it open.

The board of trustees decided on by-laws, the new name and agreed the foundation of the school would remain Catholic, but all religions were welcome, said Robinson. Lay teachers were also kept on staff.

"The big reason we incorporated Christian values was because you have to learn how to live and why you live. It was a total character education," Robinson said. "I can't imagine this area without this value-centered, top-quality education. We were valiant or it wouldn't have survived."

All four of her daughters went through the Grosse Pointe Academy, as did Peabody's two sons and daughter. Two of her grandchildren also have gone through, and seven more will in the coming years.

Peabody remains on the board of trustees. The academy's

first headmaster, John Poplawski, welcomed 225 students to the revived campus 40 years ago.

"He was willing to take a chance and if he hadn't, I don't know what we would have done," Peabody said.

"He wasn't nervous, so I think it made the rest of the group not nervous. He's one of those lucky people who can remain calm," remembers Mercier. "We couldn't have had a better first headmaster."

Poplawski, who came from Detroit Country Day School, was familiar with the co-ed situation.

"I knew it was going to be a challenge, and it certainly was. Everything was going to be new, even though the (Sacred Heart) academy left us with a number of teachers, we still had to make it on our own," said the now Harper Woods resident who periodically

cally substitute teaches for the Grosse Pointe school district.

Poplawski has many memories from the first of his 13 years at the academy, including an impromptu Thanksgiving dinner inside the Early School.

On the eve of the holiday, concern arose among staff who worried they wouldn't have enough time to prepare for the next day's meal because of the afternoon dismissal.

"So we decided to have dinner at the school. We used all the candelabras we could find in the chapel, lit them and ate in the largest classroom in the preschool. A number of faculty members and families attended. We had a very interesting time, to say the least."

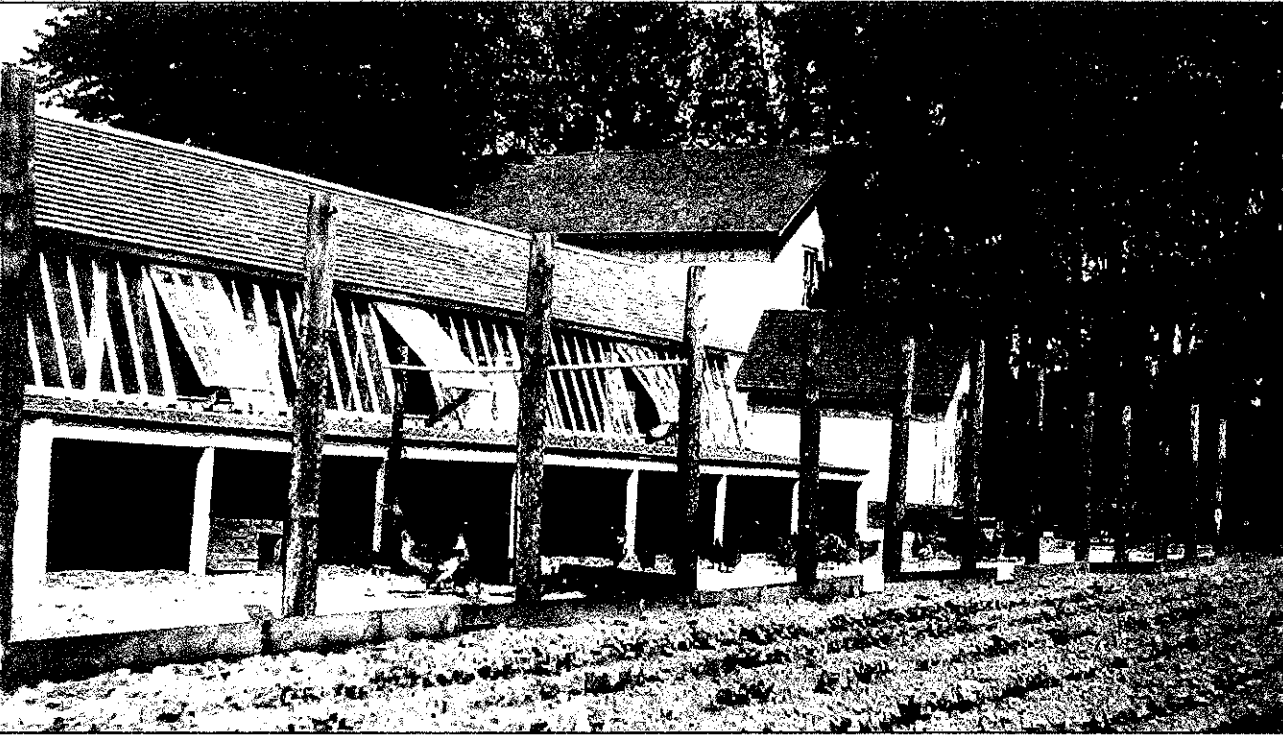
A slightly more shaky moment came in December, when the school's business manager told Poplawski they wouldn't be able to make payroll one week.

"I said, 'The chapel is right here, let's go say a prayer.' Strangely enough, we had two contributions come through and that put us back in the black again," he said. "From that time on, we never experienced being poor. After we did a couple of Action Auctions, life got a bit more comfortable."

Over the last four decades, the academy has welcomed new faces, new building renovations and additions and new opportunities and activities. And yet, not much has changed in the way of traditions and core values.

"The academy is a very integral part

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The original chicken house, which sat along Moran Road. The campus was also a self-sustaining farm.

Revolutionary War France. The campus originally encompassed 42 acres of land from the water — Lakeshore Drive had not yet been cut out — all the way to Ridge Road.

By the time Peabody arrived at the school, a chapel had been added — in 1899 — and then renovated — in 1929 — as the academic building was expanded for more educational facilities. To fund that building project, the nuns sold the property from Grosse Pointe Boulevard to Ridge Road — amazingly, at the time of the Great Depression.

Today, architects still marvel at the building's craftsmanship, its woodwork and windows.

But in January 1969, the school's legacy was threatened. Letters went home to parents announcing its impending closure, for financial reasons, at the end of the school year. A developer was expected to buy the property and build a subdivision of 62 houses.

"It was like a funeral when we got the letter," said Peabody, whose daughter was enrolled at the time.

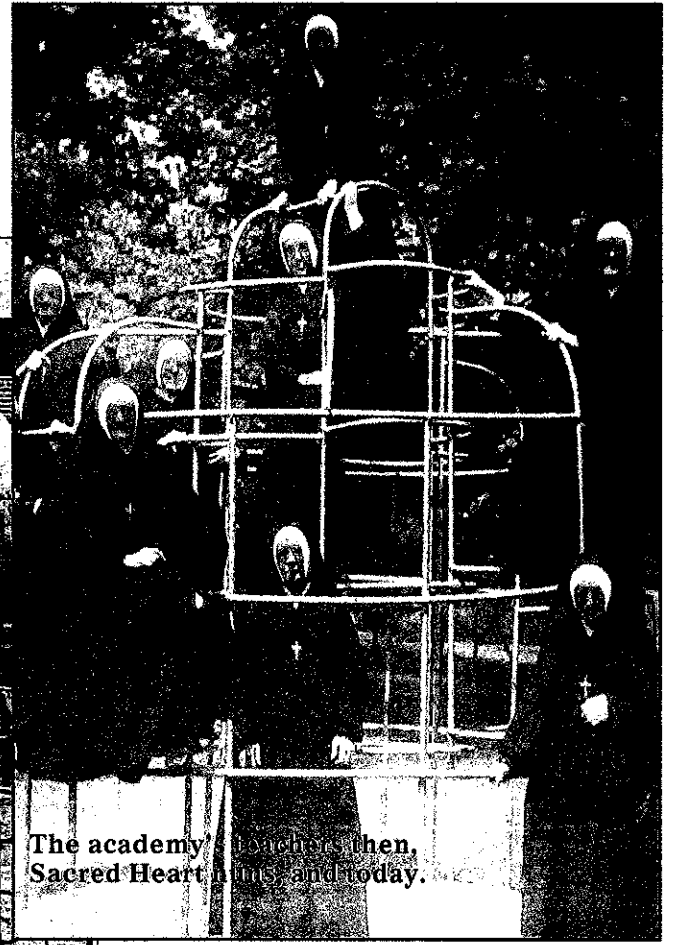
Peter Mercier had a first-grader at the school when he got the notice. But the Grosse Pointe Farms resident would not hear what school officials were saying. He printed up fliers for a meeting at the academy a few days later and around 50 people showed up

struggling to make tuition," he recalled.

Through his mother, Mercier began knocking on the door of Elizabeth Fisher, wife of businessman Charles T. Fisher.

"I always said I had a new idea when I showed up unannounced. I got about five 'no's' and on the sixth visit, she finally said she would give it a try. So she sent out invitations to about 20 people who were her age and able to be of some help because of their financial ability," Mercier said.

Fisher, who attended the academy and had a daughter also go through it, held the meeting at her house,



The academy, then, and today.

District brings back some laid off staffers

By Amy Salvagno
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe public schools has recalled 53 of 73 laid-off staff members, according to Tom Harwood, assistant superintendent of human resources and labor relations.

The teachers received pink slips in April, two months before the school board adopted its \$123 million budget. The 2009-10 fiscal year financial plan called for \$5.4 million in cuts to help make up the shortfall.

The layoffs, based on seniority, were blamed on rising health care and retirement costs and shrinking enrollment. Since the 2006-07 school year, Harwood said the district has seen a decline of 400 students; enrollment represents 70 percent of the district's funding stream.

Some teachers were called back to full-time status, while others got their positions back on a part-time basis, including

Grosse Pointe North High School choir teacher, Ben Henri. Harwood said the recalls were possible because of some retirements and resignations; one-third were due to additional federal stimulus money.

There is a 25 percent shift in staffing assignments from the previous year to make up for those who did not return, he added. Some teachers were moved within their building; others found positions in other areas of the district.

At the elementary level, for example, the number of fourth-graders dropped at one school and there was only a need for two teachers. The third was then moved to teach third-grade.

At the secondary level, Harwood said, a teacher with specific certification is allowed to instruct different classes or subject areas. They may be in one building for part of the school day and transfer to another building for the remain-

der of the day.

"We invest a great deal of energy into finding quality teachers to best serve the students in Grosse Pointe. When they are hired into our district, we provide additional training and support to them, and they're understanding of our curriculum is beneficial," Harwood said. "So when the opportunity to call individuals back who have worked with us and been a part of our community, it really helps benefit in the long run students, parents and the whole staff."

Those who didn't hear back about their positions — for example, a social worker at Mason and Trombly elementary schools; an English teacher at Pierce Middle School; a biology teacher at Grosse Pointe North High School; a Richard Elementary School kindergarten teacher; and a speech and language special education teacher at Kerby Elementary School — have accepted roles in other

communities, are subbing in the district or remain unemployed, according to Ranae Beyerlein, Grosse Pointe Education Association president.

She stressed that many still in limbo are experiencing anxiety, depression and economic distress.

"One of these teachers just became a parent for the first time. One of these teachers has a daughter in college and has been hospitalized with two surgeries in the past year. I could go on about more personal stories. Social workers have been moved to different schools resulting in the need to build new relationships with entirely new families, learning their case histories in order to serve the students' needs," she said.

"Teachers are reporting over-crowded classrooms and stress as a result of their traveling schedules. The art, PE (physical education), library and music teachers are very

stressed as a result of not being able to travel efficiently from one building to another due to the loss of teachers in their ranks. The classroom teachers at the elementary buildings are also experiencing stress because if the specials teachers are not able to get to their destination classrooms, they must hold their students in their classrooms longer. This situation both deprives the elementary students of their special instruction time and it deprives the classroom teachers of their contractually defined planning time."

Harwood said the student-teacher ratio throughout the district is mostly in line with what officials had hoped.

"But the change does cause some tightness of fit in regards to getting everybody covered to the extent of which we would like. We're continuing to make adjustments to improve those fits," he said.

Currently, elementary

school classrooms average 21.8 students, middle school classes average 25 students and high school classes average 26 students.

Beyerlein added the individuals who teach elementary art, PE, library and music have received a different schedule each day since school began.

"This is due to the strain of having too few teachers in order to serve all of the necessary classes in all of the buildings and to a lack of communication between administrators. It results in a loss of meaningful instruction to students in those areas as well as strained relations between teachers in a building, some of whom are getting their scheduled planning times while others are not," she said.

"We are happy that the vast majority of our members have been recalled, but sad that there are still 20 who are unemployed and several of our members who are only recalled to part-time positions."

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or more weeks apart.

Wayne County health officials also advised the district that schools will not close for individual suspected or confirmed cases of H1N1, as spelled out by the CDC and the Michigan Department of Community Health. Rather, students and staff with flu-like symptoms are asked to stay home for a least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever or signs of a fever.

The virus is no longer called swine flu because the flu virus has not been detected in U.S. pigs.

Klein said teachers are already being proactive: in a classroom at Kerry Elementary School, for example, in-

stead of a four-children table sharing a basket of crayons and pencils, the teacher gave each student a box of their own.

"It's just looking at how we can take the likelihood down. We're looking at the best practices piece from the health department and the CDC," she said. "We're trying to be mindful for the little guys to make it less likely they're going to be sick."

And in case of an unusual outbreak among staff, the district has available substitute teachers in place.

"Because of the district's arrangement with PESG, a professional organization that coordinates qualified substitute teachers with all of the required training and background checks for a number of school districts, we feel confident that there will be sufficient numbers of substitutes throughout the flu season," said Tom Harwood, assistant superintendent for human resources and labor relations.

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mostly from person to person through the coughs and sneezes of people who are sick with influenza. People also may get sick by touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching their mouth or nose.

How long can a sick person spread the flu to others?

People infected with the seasonal or H1N1 flu virus may be able to infect others from one day before

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Symptoms of seasonal flu and H1N1 flu include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people also may experience vomiting and diarrhea.

What can I do if my child gets sick?

If your child is 5 years or older and otherwise healthy and gets flu-like symptoms, including a fever and/or cough, con-

sult your doctor as needed and make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks enough fluids. If your child is younger than 5, or of any age and has a medical condition like asthma, diabetes, or a neurologic problem and develops flu-like symptoms, including a fever and/or cough, call your doctor or get medical attention.

Younger children and children who have chronic medical conditions may be at higher risk of serious complications from influenza infection, including the new H1N1. Talk to your doctor early if you're worried about your child's illness.

What if my child seems very sick?

Even children who have always been healthy before or had the flu before can get a severe case of flu. Call or take your child to a doctor right away if your child of any age has:

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 - Not drinking enough fluids
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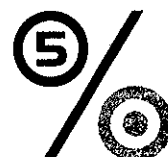
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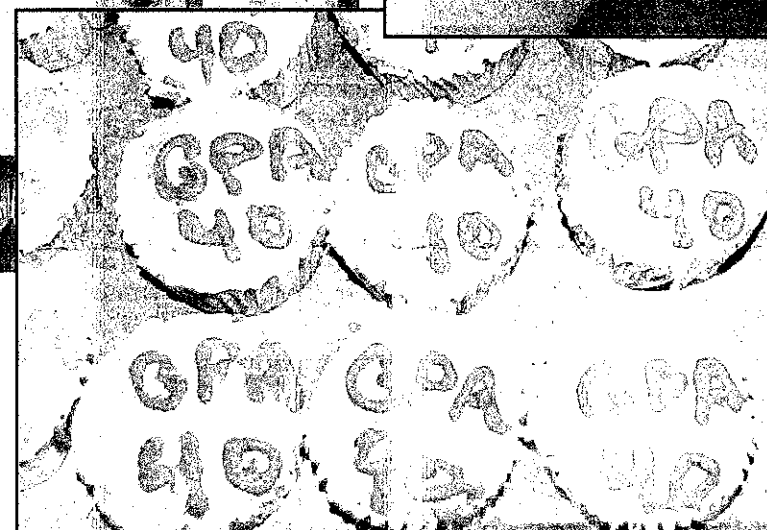
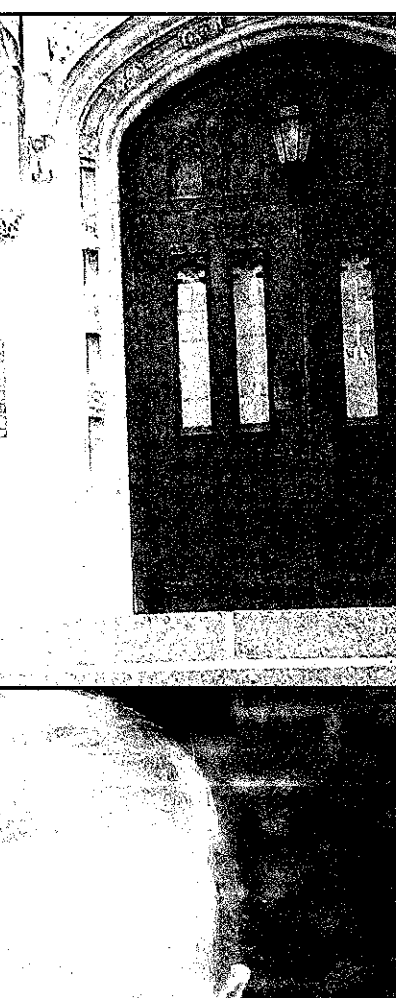
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Academy:
Celebrating
40 years

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of the entire Grosse Pointe community. We have a wonderful family-like atmosphere with wonderful volunteers, wonderful parents, terrific teachers and kids who love to come to school," said Head of School Phil Demartini, who has led the academy for nine years. "Being part of this, for me, has been incredibly special. Our goal is to keep the academy thriving for the next 40 years.

"There are so many people who have given so much time and effort to make this happen. I can't possibly name them all right now, but their attitude is one of deep love and respect for the school," he said. "We have Fortune 500 alumni, alumni who are giving back to the community ... the mission of the Grosse Pointe Academy is still with the students as they go



through high school and college. I'm just very excited that we're able to keynote a special year to honor all the things that have been going on."

Top left: The Grosse Pointe Academy's first headmaster, John Poplawski, stands on the steps of the school he led for 13 years. Top: Current Head of School Phil Dimartini has held the role for the past nine years. Pictured students

are Kara French, Miranda Turner, Karstan Minanov, Anton Boll and Wade Penman. Left: A senior class from the all-girls school, Academy of the Sacred Heart, which graduated its last all-girls class in the summer of 1969. In the fall, the academy opened as an independent, co-educational campus. Photos courtesy of the Grosse Pointe Academy. Above: Two- and a half-year-old Sam Craparotta enjoys his cupcake at the Grosse Pointe Academy's annual back to school picnic Sept. 8. Photos by Renee Landuyt.



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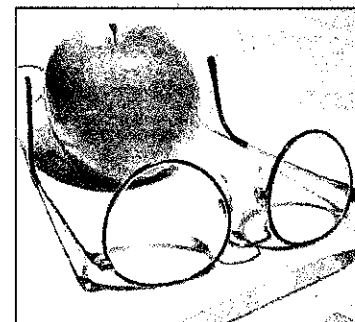
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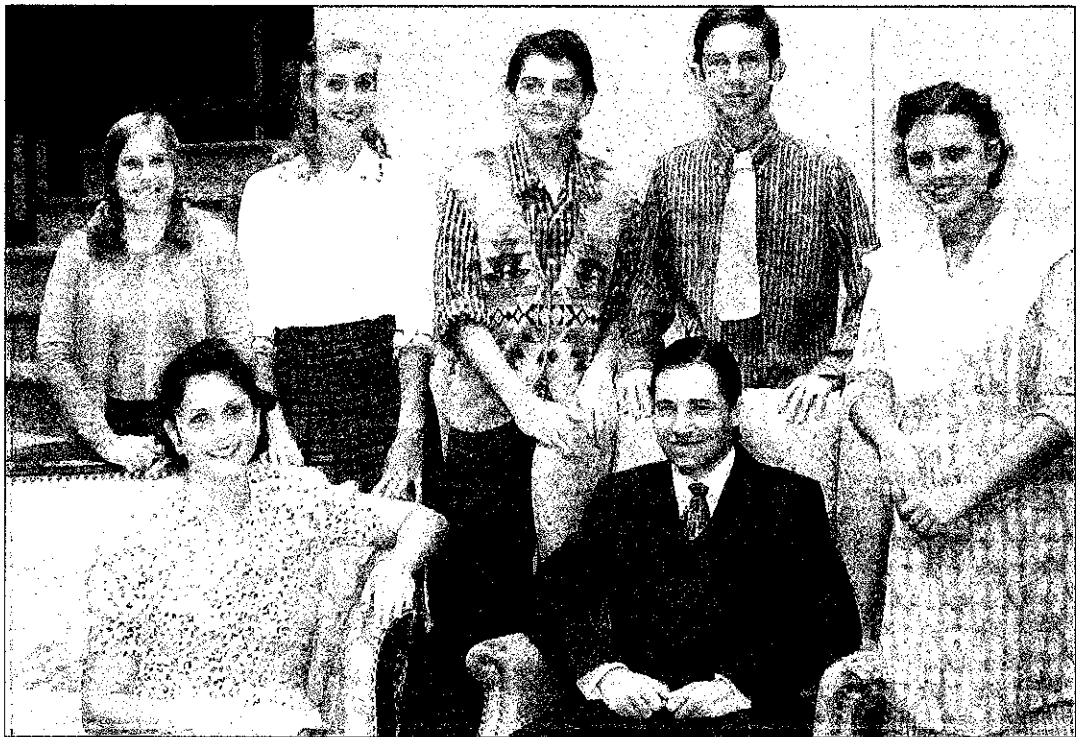
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SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



‘Brighton Beach’ plays at North

Seven Grosse Pointe North actors bring to life Neil Simon's classic comedy, "Brighton Beach Memoirs," at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1 — Saturday, Oct. 3, in the Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Set in 1937 in Brighton Beach, New York, the play centers around Eugene Jerome, played by freshman Logan Hart, a precocious teenager who loves baseball, writing and his attractive cousin. His father, played by junior Christian Cicerone, is dealing with economic troubles; his elder brother, played by freshman Jeremy Harr, must confront ethical dilemmas at work; and his mother, played by sophomore Sara Shook, strives to manage a household containing not only her own family, but also her widowed sister, played by senior Shelby Marie Schroeder and her two daughters, seniors Liz DeFour and Olyvia Brown. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for students. Gold cards are welcome. Tickets are available at Wild Birds Unlimited, 20485 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, or at the door.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY Discussion planned

The Grosse Pointe Public Library participates in the Great Michigan Read with a book discussion of "Stealing Buddha's Dinner" by Bit Minh Nguyen at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack Ave. The memoir chronicles the author's migration from Vietnam in 1975 and her coming of age in Grand Rapids in the 1980s. Along the way, she struggles to construct her own cultural identity from a menagerie of uniquely American influences. The book was selected by a group of nearly 50 librarians, teachers, students, professors, and authors from across the state. Admission is free. Visit gp.lib.mi.us or call (313) 343-2072.

Activities in October

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library have an array of activities scheduled. From 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 3, the Friends hosts its Halloween Used Costume Sale at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack Ave. Friends members get first pick at 9:45 a.m. Most costumes sell for \$5. The Used Book Sale returns Wednesday, Oct. 14, through Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. At 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, the Friends Jane Austen Book Club hosts "Love and Knowledge in Jane Austen" with University of Michigan professor Adela Pinch at the Grosse Pointe South High School library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. General admission is \$10. Friends members, teachers and students with identification are admitted free. For more information, visit gpfriends.org or call (313) 343-2074, ext. 6.

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Immaculate Conception parish and school hosts its 4th annual Tastefest from 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, in the school gymnasium, located at M-29 and Church Road in Ira Township. Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$40 the door. This year's program includes more than 25 vendors, including P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Rochester Mills Beer Co., Morley Candy and Marine City Fish Company, who set up to share food samples. Beer and wine are also included in the ticket price. The evening also offers raffles and tan Iron Chef contest. Proceeds from Tastefest go to the parish's general fund to help keep up the school and the church. Tickets are available at the parish and school offices or by e-mailing icetastefesttickets@yahoo.com. For more information call Jim at (586) 216-2119.

Millage forums planned

The Grosse Pointe Public School System will host two informational forums regarding the millage proposals on the Tuesday, Nov. 3 ballot. The first forum is at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe South High School Wicking library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. The second is at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12, at the Grosse Pointe North High School library, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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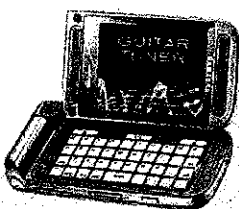
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AUTOS By Jenny King

There are 10 exterior colors from which to choose for Volvo's 2010 XC60, described as a small premium utility vehicle.

2010 Volvo XC60 on best-dressed list



School's in, and although we're nowhere near mid-terms, we give the 2010 Volvo XC60 early high marks in the "good looks" and "safety" disciplines.

Recalling the very boxy, practical Volvos from a few decades back, it is surprising to describe the 2010 Volvo XC60 with adjectives such as attractive, stylish, sleek and appealing.

Well, it is, this smaller version of Volvo's XC90 sport utility. Self-confident, slightly rounded exterior lines lead the eye back to tall and graceful taillights.

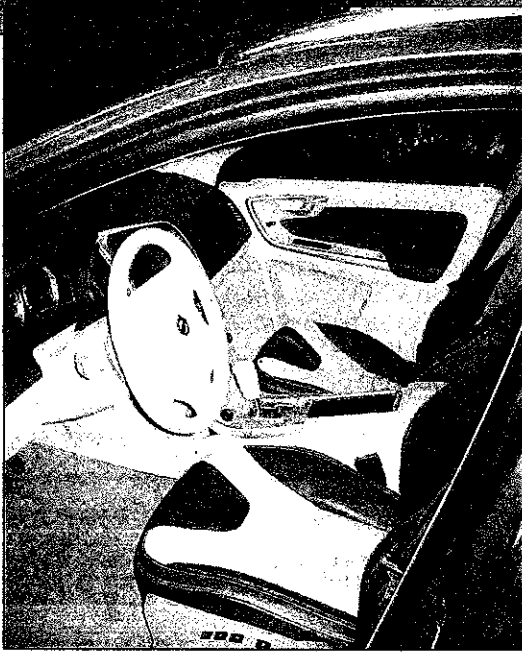
Two-tone leather seating adds a sportiness one might not expect to find in a brand well-known for its advanced work in vehicle safety. This brand is said to be the choice of Washington, D.C. types who have had harsh criticisms for the auto industry over the years and appear to have no interest in frivolities such as two-color seats, multiple-speaker sound systems, satellite radio capabilities and dual-zone climate control.

Volvo calls the XC60 a "small premium utility" vehicle.

The XC60 base model has a 3.2-liter naturally aspirated inline six-cylinder engine with 235 horsepower and 236 pound-feet of torque. A par-



Looking more trim than the larger XC90, Volvo's new XC60 is smaller but with great carrying capacity and a lower price point. The 2010 XC60 features Volvo's trademark grille and elegant, elongated taillights.



tial-zero-emissions version has 225 horsepower and 221 pound-feet torque ratings.

The XC60 T6 is powered by a 3.0-liter turbocharged inline six-cylinder engine with 281 horsepower and 295 pound-feet of torque.

All models have a six-speed "Geartronic" automatic transmission. The XC60 can be ordered with standard front-wheel or all-wheel drive.

The 2010 XC60 3.2 boasts what Volvo terms class-leading fuel economy of 27 miles per gallon highway and 18 mpg city. Our T6 with the turbo-charged 3.0-liter engine and all-wheel drive was rated at a less-impressive 16 mpg city and 22 mpg highway.

We're pleased to report that

with a light foot on the accelerator and extraordinary patience behind the wheel, we nudged the combined rating from the suggested 18 to almost 23 mpg.

Good looks and energetic powerplants have not replaced Volvo's traditional research and development leadership in the area of safety.

The XC60 introduces a new world's first as standard equipment, Volvo says. City Safety is a driver support system designed to prevent — or at least mitigate — collisions occurring at speeds of 19 mph or less. It utilizes a closing velocity sensor to help determine whether a collision is likely. Depending on the closing speed, City Safety will ei-

ther precharge the brakes or automatically brake the XC60 to help avoid a rear-end collision or lessen its impact.

This does not imply we can have cell phone conversations and super-size lattes while adjusting our makeup with impunity while driving.

How about interior practicality? Volvo has put 40-20-40 split folding rear seats in the XC60. Seems that might accommodate just about all rear storage needs rather nicely. Good marks for that one, Volvo.

If you opt for the XC60 with front drive and 3.2-liter six, you'll get as standard equipment 17-inch wheels, front fog lights, power driver seat with memory, dual-zone climate

control, an eight-speaker sound system, side curtain air bags and stability and traction control.

The turbocharged T60 model with all-wheel drive adds features such as a power front passenger seat, 18-inch wheels and instant traction and hill descent control.

How about marks for pricing? Better than "S" for satisfactory. The manufacturer's suggested retail price for the XC60 3.2-liter is \$32,395. The XC60 T6 with all-wheel drive starts at \$37,200. There is an additional \$850 destination charge. That's not too bad considering the point of final assembly for the XC60 is Ghent, Belgium.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The most popular of all Toyota lines, Camry received a major facelift in 2007, and continues to be the best selling sedan in the U.S.

2009 Toyota Camry Hybrid sedan



This week, we're behind the wheel of Toyota's 2009 Camry Hybrid sedan, a vehicle we haven't tested since late in 2006 as a new 2007 model — base price: \$25,650; price as tested: \$28,138.

Most impressive is Toyota's "no inflation" pricing, as back in 2006, this same vehicle debuted with a base price of \$25,900. Lo and behold, the 2009 Hybrid Camry carries a base price of \$25,650 in similar dress, which is \$250 less — on a devalued dollar. Therefore, we give an upfront pat on the back to Toyota for knowing

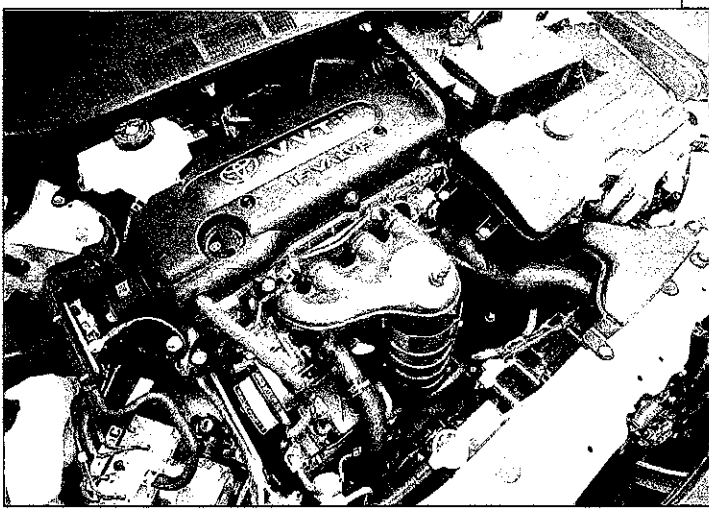
stricter rules, regulations and testing procedures. In the acceleration category from 0-60 mph, Camry Hybrid came in right around nine seconds, which I feel is good. The 40-horsepower electric motor can be utilized as a sole power source around town at slower speeds, but once you move the throttle deeper or ask for some air conditioning, the engine kicks in.

Outwardly, Camry for 2009 is little changed from the 2008 model, and will be similar in 2010 with a bit of freshening.

Camry still won't win any "sporty design" awards, as artists delivered a look that seems to appease all classes of buyer without crossing any aesthetically "unhealthy" lines. The much improved interior and rear seat room are still highlights of all Camrys, while the wheels and tires continue to grow. Specifically, 2007's 16-



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2009 Toyota Camry Hybrid



how to market its vehicles in these tough economic times. It's called "not gouging your customers."

Camry Hybrid is a 4-door, 5-passenger mid- to larger-size sedan that comes in one trim only. If you favor the 100 percent gas powered Camry, base prices range from a low of \$19,145 to a high of \$28,695, and you'll have 10 models to choose from.

However, it's the hybrid that attracts much attention these days and rightfully so. Camry's Hybrid comes equipped with a 2.4-liter, inline 4-cylinder engine that puts out 147 horsepower and then adds another 40, thanks to the electric powerplant for 187 combined ponies. This is 77 more horses than sibling and smaller Prius, which relies on a 110-horsepower, 1.5-liter inline-4. Of course, a bigger engine is necessary to move the heavier Camry, especially in merging or passing situations.

Camry delivers EPA estimates of 33 miles per gallon city and 34 mpg highway. A continuously variable automatic transmission with overdrive hooks to the power outputs, making numbers like these possible in a larger vehicle. Camrys with internal combustion only range from 19 city and 31 highway for the 4-cylinder to 19 and 28, respectively, for a V6 powered model. Overall, Camry Hybrid delivers 12 mpg more in the city and two mpg more on the highway, which, to me, is a very nice return on investment.

Looking back, the 2007 Camry Hybrid listed 40 city and 38 highway, but the mpg numbers have since been readjusted down by the EPA via

inch standard tires are now replaced with 18-inch designs. The larger tires help in cornering, and the independent suspension helps in everything from comfort to absorbing bumps.

There are many standard features, including seven air bag systems that, when combined with other standard features, result in government 5-Star front and side crash ratings and a 4-Star rollover ranking. Perhaps the best "buyer ingredients" Toyota offers are consumer satisfaction and reliability scores, as year after year, Toyota brands rate at or near the top in just about every reliability survey generated by consumer magazines.

Our tester came with a \$1,150 package that includes a 440-watt stereo with 8-speakers, 6-disc in-dash CD player, Bluetooth, satellite radio, auto dimming rearview mirror and more. As in 2007, it's still only \$30 for heated power outside mirrors and \$199 for a carpet/trunk mat set. Add \$449 for an XM Satellite Radio Kit and \$660 destination, and you arrive at the final tally of \$28,138.

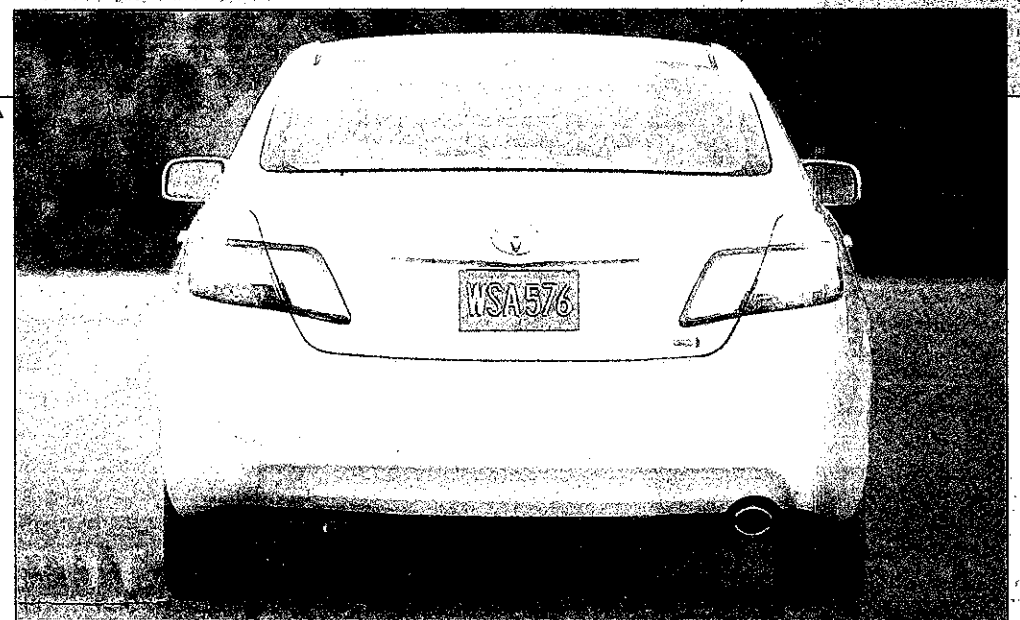
Important numbers include a wheelbase of 109.3 inches, 17.2-gallon fuel tank, 10.6 cubic-feet of cargo space, and a 3,680-pound curb weight.

Camry Hybrid receives a 9 on a scale of one to 10 because it is indeed a true, "green" car that reduces dependency on foreign oil.

Likes: Pricing, hybrid system, great mpg for a big car, quality, interior room.

Dislikes: Electronics and batteries limit cargo space.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated auto columnist.



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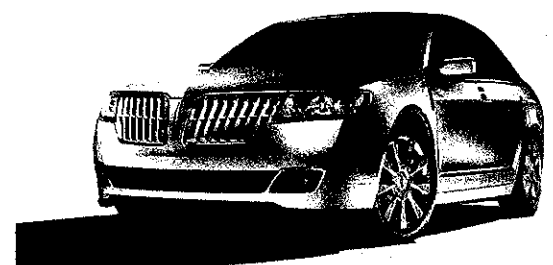
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, October 19, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI to consider amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed text amendments have been drafted to implement the master plan as it relates to permitted uses, density, building height, and setbacks in and around the area known as "the Village". The complete text of the proposed ordinance amendments may be viewed at the Grosse Pointe Municipal Offices, 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5:00 pm; 313-885-5800. Written comments will be accepted at the City Offices for consideration up to 5:00 pm on Friday, October 16, 2009.

Julie E. Arthurs
City Clerk

OBITUARIES

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

Harold John Padesky

City of Grosse Pointe resident Harold John Padesky, 91, died Monday, Sept. 28, 2009.

He was born Sept. 27, 1918, in LaCrosse, Wis., and graduated from Marquette University in 1942 and California Institute of Technology in 1943.

Mr. Padesky was a lieutenant in the United States Navy during World War II serving in North Africa and then at the Bureau of Aeronautics in Washington, D.C.

He was a plant manager at Electric Autolite. In 1963, he moved to Grosse Pointe where he was general manager of Bundy Tubing, then later general manager in the cable division of Merit Plastics.

Mr. Padesky was an active member of St. Philomena Catholic Church in Detroit for 46 years. He was involved in the Grosse Pointe Garden Club and was a member of the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe.

His interests included golf, gardening and birding and he was an avid reader.

His family said he was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather who will be truly missed.

Mr. Padesky is survived by his wife, Angela "Angel"; daughter, Mary (W. Thomas) Beltz; sons, John (Catherine) Michael (Rosemary) and Dr. Joseph (Loni); grandchildren, Ellen Maturen, John, William Beltz, Michael Beltz, Paul, Ann, Corey and Casey and great-grandchildren, Bryan Beltz and Alexander Beltz.

He also is survived by his brother, Robert.

He was predeceased by his brother, Richard.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 1, 2009, at St. Philomena Catholic Church, 4281 Marseilles, Detroit.

Share a memory with the family at ahpeters.com.

Robert F. Leech

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Robert F. Leech, 71, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 2009, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

He was born Jan. 25, 1938, in Detroit to Frederic and Ruth Birdseye Leech. He was a specialist fourth class in the United States Army.

Mr. Leech earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the Detroit Institute of Technology. He worked at Parks Title Company in Royal Oak. Prior to that, he was a mortgage officer at National Bank of Detroit from which he retired.

Mr. Leech enjoyed music, golf, bowling, gardening and travel. He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club and the Fraternal Order of Police and sang in the choir at St. Michael's Episcopal Church. He was a former member of the Detroit Commandery.

Mr. Leech is survived by his wife, Mary; daughter, Dee Firmschild; son, Scott (Amy); granddaughter, Vivian and sisters, Anne (Rob) and Carolyn.

A funeral service was held Sept. 28 at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Michael's Episcopal Church choir, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or the charity of the donor's choice.

Share a memory with the family at ahpeters.com.

Elizabeth M. Bolton

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Elizabeth M. "Betty" Bolton, 86, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2009, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

She was born July 14, 1923, in Detroit to John and Genevieve Motschall and graduated from Barry College in 1946.

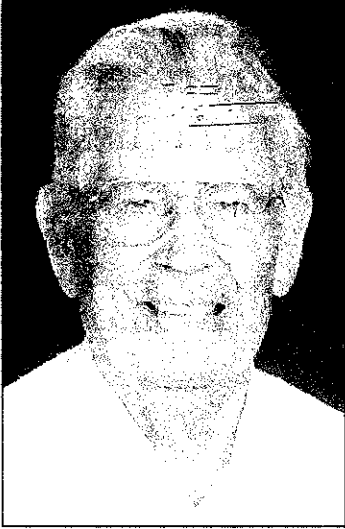
Mrs. Bolton was an active volunteer. She co-chaired numerous Austin High School fairs, was the founder of Puppets for Children at Bon Secours Hospital, a member of the Bon Secours Assistance League and Our Lady Star of the Sea Rosary Altar Society, as well as a volunteer at the church in various capacities.

She had many interests including playing bridge, gardening and supporting her children and grandchildren in all their activities. She especially enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Bolton is survived by her sons, Michael (Barbara), Timothy and William (Mariann); grandchildren, Jeffrey, Sarah, William Jr., Johnathan, Megan and Charles Bolton; sister, Dorothy O'Brien and brother, Richard Motschall.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles, who died in 1996; her daughter, Theresa, who died in 2000, two sisters and three brothers.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Sept. 25 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, followed by interment at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.



Harold John Padesky



Robert F. Leech



Elizabeth M. Bolton

Memorial donations may be made to Loyola High School, 15325 Pinehurst, Detroit, MI 48238 or Holy Cross Children's Services, 8759 Clinton Macon Road, Clinton, MI 49236.

Share a memory with the family at ahpeters.com.

W. Howard Nurse

Longtime Grosse Pointe resident W. Howard Nurse, 87, passed away peacefully Friday, Sept. 25, 2009, in St. Clair Shores.

He was born Dec. 21, 1921, in Palmerston, Ontario to Dr. Harold and Sybilla Nurse. He earned a degree in veterinary medicine from the University of Toronto-Guelph, Ontario in 1950. He moved to the United States in 1953 where he owned and operated a small animal practice for 45 years before retiring.

Dr. Nurse was a veteran of

World War II having attained the rank of Flying Officer in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

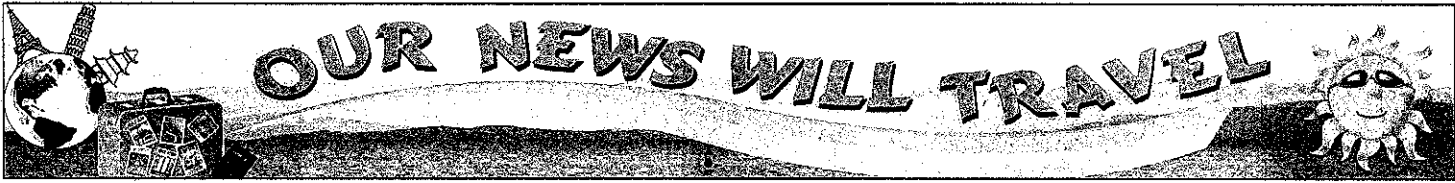
He enjoyed traveling, bridge, bowling and was an avid boater for more than 35 years.

He was a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, American Animal Hospital Association, Michigan Veterinary Medical Association and the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe.

Dr. Nurse is survived by his wife of 59 years, Patricia A. (nee Corrigan) Nurse; daughters, Leslie (R. Stephens) Ritter and Susan (Bill) Wilson; son, Dr. Richard (Nancy) Nurse and grandchildren, Matthew, Michelle and Meghan.

He also is survived by his sister, Marilyn Bain and brother, Donald, both of Kitchener, Ontario.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Dr. Grey Nurse, Lt. Col. Roy Nurse and Gordon Nurse.



The Key West reader



George and Sherrie Humphry of Grosse Pointe Farms took the Grosse Pointe News along when they visited Key West, Fla. the southern most point of the United States.

Mickey readers



Lindsay and Jack Froelich of Grosse Pointe Farms took the Grosse Pointe News along on a Disney cruise where Mickey said, after reading the paper, "Looks like a great place to live."

Winter readers



Elizabeth, Frankie and Tommy Thams of Grosse Pointe Farms take a break from burning up the slopes during a recent trip to Breckenridge, Colo. to catch up on the latest Grosse Pointe news.

Argentina reader



Dianne Sacka of Grosse Pointe Woods and her daughter, Amy Reeves, visited Argentina. Sacka is pictured reading the Grosse Pointe News in front of the Presidential Palace, the Casa Rosada in Buenos Aires. Eva Peron gave many of her speeches from the balcony in the background. Sacka and Reeves took tango lessons, visited the Bariloche and Patagonia areas. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to editor@grossepointe-news.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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BEAUMONT HOSPITAL, GROSSE POINTE

Free lectures celebrate women’s health

“Celebrate Women: To Your Good Health” is a series of four free seminars hosted by Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Oct. 5 through 8.

The lectures provide women with preventive strategies to help stay healthy or take steps toward a healthy lifestyle.

◆ Monday, Oct. 5 — “Why Would I Rather Pet the Dog?” — intimacy during the mid-life years. Clinical social worker, family therapist and Grosse Pointe Academy counselor Sean Hogan-Downy is the featured speaker.

◆ Tuesday, Oct. 6 — “Hit Me With Your Best Shot” — immunization for all ages. Family practice physician Nancy Ajemian discusses immunization, Gardasil, tetanus and shingles vaccines.

◆ Wednesday, Oct. 7 — “De-stress; Enjoy Your Life More” — stress relief tips and techniques. Gail Evo, director of integrative medicine, Beaumont Hospitals, gives tips and techniques for relieving stress.

◆ Thursday, Oct. 8 — “Women: Why Age ‘Weighs’ on You” — weight control. Chaitali Nangrani, M.D., discusses why as we age, weight is more challenging to control.

“What better way to celebrate women than to provide them with tools and information to enhance their health and lives,” said Suzy Berschback, community affairs manager, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. “We owe it to ourselves and our family to be as healthy and happy as possible to face life head-on.”

For more information or to register, call Beaumont Physician Referral at 1-800-633-7377.

All lectures are in the hospital’s Connelly Auditorium, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe.

This is part of a month-long observance of women’s health.

For a list of women’s health awareness events in October, visit beaumonthospitals.com/calendar-events.

Wayne County Commission adds transparency initiatives to budget

All Wayne County public data is now accessible in a timely and easy-to-access manner.

Specific language requiring the county to make this information available online was included via ordinance in the 2009-2010 budget recently approved by the Wayne County Commission.

Commissioner Laura Cox, R-Livonia, who chairs the Committee on Ways & Means that crafted the ordinance, said the action is a positive step forward in improving the transparency of Wayne County government.

“We are making sure that open and transparent government becomes a way of life at Wayne County,” Cox said. “We must be accountable to the citizens and make it simple and easy for them to see how their tax dollars are spent.”

The budget instructions call for the county to put its checkbook register online for all payments more than \$5 as well as posting information on contracts received by county vendors, details on county lobbyists, and salary information for all employees by position, title or name.

Cox led the way for increased transparency by posting her office’s expenditures online at waynecounty.com/district10.

In addition, the commission has posted meeting notices and agendas online, along with minutes of full board meetings and reports from the legislative auditor general.

BEAUMONT HOSPITAL, GROSSE POINTE

Low cost heart screening offered

Beaumont Hospitals’ “7 for \$70” heart and vascular wellness screening is now offered at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe.

The screenings help determine the presence or potential risk of heart and vascular disease and include blood pressure, body mass index, blood cholesterol and glucose measurements, a 12-lead electrocardiogram, carotid artery ultrasound, abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound and peripheral artery disease screening.

All diagnostic screening studies are read by board-certified Beaumont physicians. Patients receive the screening results and a follow-up letter and a copy of the results will be sent to a primary care physician upon request.

“Offering this program at the Grosse Pointe hospital makes it convenient for our community to make one trip; be screened in one department and take just one hour of their time to help evaluate the risk of heart and vascular disease,” said Marie Boyle Reinman, director of cardiovascular services at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe.

“I was one of the first patients. I owe it to my family to take care of myself.”

The \$70 cost of the wellness screening is not covered by health insurance.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-328-8542.

The screenings are also offered at Beaumont Hospital’s Royal Oak and Troy locations and the Beaumont Medical Center in St. Clair Shores.

New law firm in Grosse Pointe Farms

The law firm of Lipson, Neilson, Cole, Seltzer & Garin, P.C. has a new office in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The new location at 102 Kercheval was chosen to better serve a number of current Lipson Neilson clients and provide opportunities for future business development in the area, company leaders said. Firm Managing Partner Jeffrey Neilson, a resident of Grosse Pointe for more than 25 years, leads the new office, supported by other Lipson Neilson attorneys who live in the area including Kay Butler and Mark Phillips.

“Having lived in Grosse Pointe for as long as I have, I understand how important it is for area citizens and businesses to support those businesses and individuals who have invested in the community,” said Neilson. “We see this expansion into Grosse Pointe as strategic and a tremendous opportunity to become more engaged in the area and serve those who are looking for local legal representation.”

The office offers all legal services presently available through its principal office in Bloomfield Hills which include corporate and real estate transactions, business and personal compensation and tax planning, estate planning and probate administration, family law and divorce litigation and business litigation.

“While our office in Grosse Pointe may initially be small in size, it will provide the full resources of the firm to those in need of legal services in the Grosse Pointe area” said Neilson.

Names in the news

John Patrick O’Leary of Grosse Pointe Shores was selected for inclusion in the 2010 edition of “The Best Lawyers in America” in the specialties of medical malpractice law and personal injury litigation.


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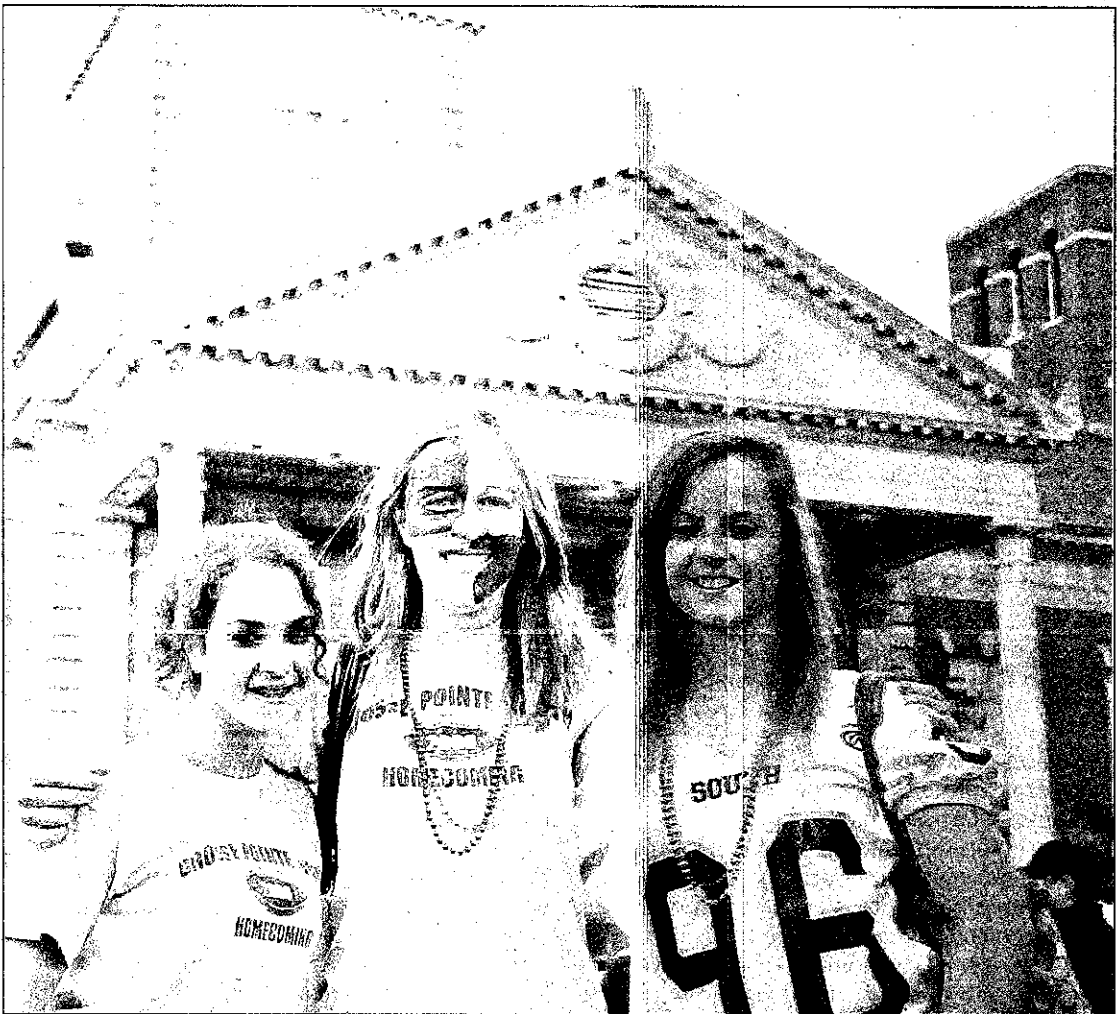


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Rivals met on temporary neutral ground Friday, Sept. 24, at the Victory in the Pointes tailgate at Grosse Pointe South High School. Spirits were high before the crosstown matchup, which Grosse Pointe North High School won. Top left: South JV football player Matt Barnes calls out to fans arriving at the game to purchase a program, whose funds benefitted the Gridiron Club. Top right: Junior Simone Arora, senior Victoria Slater and sophomore Mel Klinger break class bonds to cheer on their home team. Center right: South students Ellie Harness and Elaine Kussurelis pose with the Norsemen mascot, Thor. Left: Blue Devils cheerleaders Kate Gutwald and McKenzie Pearce give blue beads to young fan Jennifer Nihem before the game. Above, the fans roar.

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Long live the queen

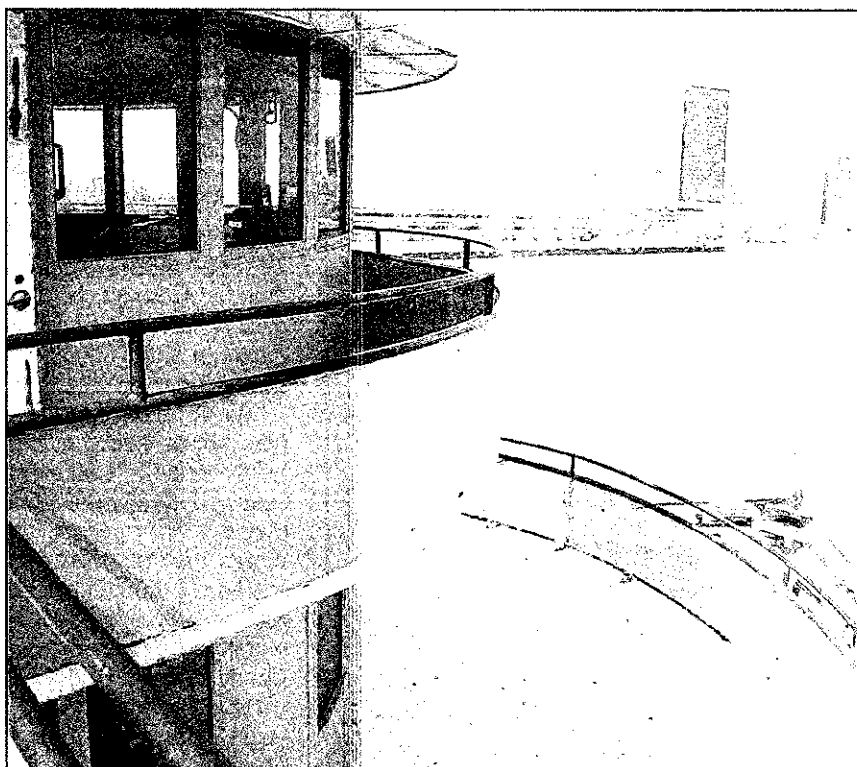
By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Ship's passenger Andrew Carnegie, the wealthiest industrialist in America and soon to be one of the 20th century's greatest philanthropists, sat at an oak table in a cabin ringed by 21 windows on the Texas deck just below the vessel's bridge, playing cards and enjoying a 360-degree view of water around him.

Tired and getting chilled, Carnegie pushed back his chair and descended two decks to the grill room — named not for its galley, but for an electric, simulated fireplace, or grill.

He stepped onto the Pewabic tile flooring of a spacious room decorated with custom-crafted fumed oak paneling, leaded windows, an ornamental ceiling and a skylight.

It was the golden age of steamship travel, but Carnegie wasn't crossing



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

If the 612-foot Willis S. Boyer were stood on its stern, it would be taller than the Fifth Third Bank building, the tallest in Toledo. Above, the grill room.

the Atlantic as a passenger of the Cunard or White Star lines.

He was on the Great Lakes aboard the 617-foot bulk carrier S.S. James

M. Schoonmaker, built in 1911 in Ecorse to carry iron ore and other commodities on the inland sea.

Queen of the Lakes

"When launched, she was the largest freighter in the world," said Paul LaMarre III, executive director of the ship, preserved as a museum in Toledo. "The vessel's owner was a firm believer in traveling aboard his boats to get a firsthand look at how his operation was run. He'd bring corporate guests, like Carnegie, a frequent passenger on this ship."

The Schoonmaker would be the longest ship on the Great Lakes, and hence wear the title Queen of the Lakes, for three years.

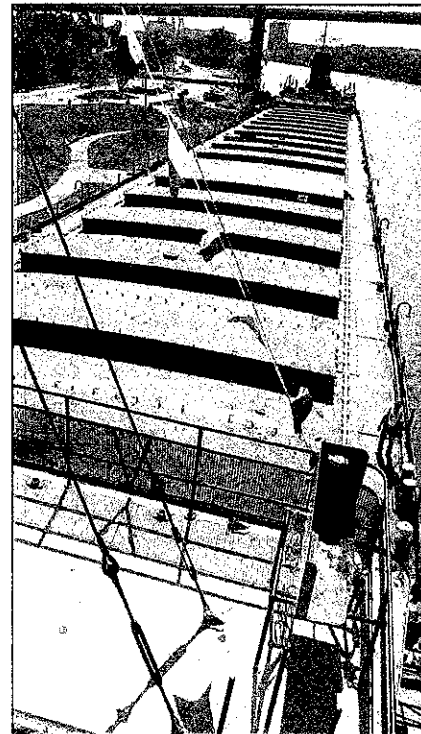
She was renamed the S.S. Willis B. Boyer shortly after being sold to Interlake Steamship Co. in the late 1960. In 1971, the boat — Great Lakes freighters are called boats, not ships — was taken over by Cleveland Cliffs Steamship Co. The vessel has remained in Cliffs' black and green livery ever since being acquired by Toledo in the 1980s.

The freighter is open for tours seven days per week through October, docked at nearly the exact spot on the Maumee River where on Oct. 19, 1911 she loaded coal for her maiden voyage to Sheboygan, Wisc.

A photo of the loading hangs in the officer's dining room, a place as formal as the Texas deck is relaxing and the grill room is luxurious.

"This is the most segregated room on board," said LaMarre, standing in the paneled dining room. A model of the Schoonmaker sits at the center of a long wooden table.

"The captain sat at one end of the table," LaMarre said, "the chief engineer at the other end, deck officers on one side and engineering officers on the other. There may have been little to no discussion between the two sides. There is a huge rivalry between the deck and engineering departments to this day. Each needs the other just as much as the next, but they



don't want to admit it."

LaMarre and his mainly volunteer crew on the Boyer come by their nautical lore naturally.

LaMarre's father has been an executive in the Great Lakes shipping industry for more than 30 years and is a highly regarded maritime artist.

"He introduced me to these ships when I was 6 months old," LaMarre said. "I took my first trip on the original Benson Ford. Our most enjoyable family vacations were summer freighter trips. My dad had a model of the Schoonmaker on the mantle over our fireplace."

LaMarre grew up to earn a salt water license at the California Maritime Academy. Upon graduation, he was commissioned in the navy and flew F-18 fighters for almost three years.

He said the challenge of landing jets on aircraft carriers is on par with helping preserve the Boyer.

"While my time in the navy was an ultimate honor, the Boyer embodies my family tradition," LaMarre said.

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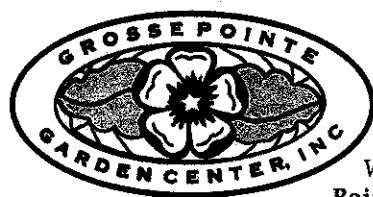
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BOYER: Set sail thru October

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"The ship has become my second home and an extension of my personal life. This vessel represents a time when industry and elegance were combined. My dad said visiting the Boyer was like going to church and paying tribute to the history, heritage and passion of Great Lakes shipping."

Reincarnation

LaMarre also is manager of maritime affairs for the Port of Toledo. Although his salary is paid by the port authority, the museum ship runs entirely on admissions and donations.

"We've taken the ship from just about being scrapped," LaMarre said. "Last season we reached record attendance over a 20-year period. In a field where historic preservation is extremely difficult, we have effectively fought through the worst part of the storm and are slowly emerging."

He plans within about 1 1/2 years to have the boat put in dry dock, repainted to its original scheme of bright green hull and white superstructure, and rechristened the Schoonmaker.

"It will emerge from the Toledo Shipyard as the Schoonmaker and appear as in 1969, looking regal," LaMarre said. "It's only a matter of funding."

Soup to nuts

Visitors to the Boyer can take as long as they like.

Self-guided tours range from the fantail to the bow, from the cavernous center hold to the bridge and dual steering wheels. The binnacle, added in 1941, was made by Lionel, the toy train company.

Visitors are free to climb up and down ladders in the engine room.

Visitors to the captain's paneled office find a built-in desk with drawers lined with dark purple velvet. A dresser in his cabin is built on an angle to stand upright on the sloping deck.

Visitors enter crew's quarters - a bunk, steal bulkheads, no paneling. The crew dining room off the galley has a laminated counter.

A guest stateroom in the forward superstructure has a marble-slab bathroom with a toilet raised to allow viewing out a porthole.

Life aboard

Along the way, visitors might meet Al Slater, 77, chief of operations.

He first went to sea in 1956 as a watchman on an ocean freighter. Slater has decided to spend his retirement on the Boyer chipping rust, painting the deck and welding things back together.

He said being a professional sailor is a never-ending job, something "driftwood," or short-time sailors, can't handle.

"You're subject to the elements all the time," Slater said. "On the Great Lakes, wave distances are much shorter from

peak to peak than on the ocean. Consequently, you're not rolling. You're going bump, bump, bump. I noticed it while sleeping forward. It's jarring."

Great Lakes freighters are typically longer than their ocean-going counterparts, called salties, and are designed to flex in heavy seas.

"They kind of twist in the middle and go up and down," said Slater, remembering how he and his crewmates rode out storms. "We'd be standing in the middle and when the bow went down we would be going a different direction. Hulls have to have spring in them or they'd be brittle and crack. It's a weird feeling until you get used to it."

Slater has the rippled forearms of a man who has worked hard his whole life. His main soft spot is for freighters.

"I want visitors to the Boyer to understand the relationship of the ship to the industrial progress of this country," he said. "I also want them to say it has a nice crew, that the guys were friendly."

Experience speaks

Slater advised people considering a maritime career to get on with it.

"There are periods in people's lives when they look back in life and say, 'Oh, if I'd only...,'" he said. "If you have it in your blood, get out there and try it while you're young."

"I would temper that with one stipulation: Get an education," added Bob Bowersox, 68, a Boyer volunteer who started his Great Lakes career as a deckhand and retired as first mate. "Preferably, go to the marine academy. That gives you better earning power. It takes extremely hard work, but get something in your noggin first. It takes an education to run these boats today. In the years of the Boyer, all it took was a strong back and weak mind."

Bowersox said he first joined a crew at age 16 to help support his family.

"Right after the war, money was tight," he said. "I think my dad, a Detroit policeman, made \$15 per week. My mother was a waitress working for tips."

Leaving home to work on the 600-foot James Davidson was frightening.

"I wasn't afraid of the boats," Bowersox said. "I was afraid of the crew. I was told to keep my mouth shut, my eyes and ears open, and do what I'm told. I didn't want to be labeled a dumb kid. I wanted to be one of the men. Hell, I didn't know if I was afoot or on horseback. The thing that did it for me was I was eager, willing to do what I was told and not bitch about it."

The museum ship S.S. Willis B. Boyer is open May 1 through Oct. 31. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission costs \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior age 60 and up, \$4 for children age 16 and under and free for preschoolers. The Boyer is docked on the south side of the Maumee River at International Park, 26 Main Street, Toledo. Call (419) 936-3070 or see willisbboyer.org for more information.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Shores Garden Club

Grosse Pointe Shores Garden Club members journey to Blake's Apple Orchard, 17985 Center Line, Armada Friday, Oct. 2. Meet at 11:45 a.m. in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's parking lot.

The cost of \$7.75 includes apples, cider, fudge, pumpkins and a train ride. Lunch may be purchased at Blake's Shop.

To make reservations, call Lynn Kiley at (313) 886-5999 or Roma Thrasher at (313) 882-1301.

G.P. Rotary

Stephen Rapundalo, president of Mich Bio-Update, discusses Michigan's biotechnology industry during the noon Monday, Oct. 5 meeting of the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more than 75 years, Rotary International has broadened the horizons of students and host families through Rotary Youth Exchange.

Annually, more than 80 countries and more than 8,000 students participate in the program through the sponsorship of local Rotary clubs.

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Rotary clubs are made up of volunteers involved in the community service.

To learn more about Rotary Youth Exchange and hosting a student, contact Suzy Berschback, PR co-chair at (313) 647-2827 or e-mail suzanne.berschback@beaumont-hospitals.com

Intergenerational activity

Senior adults may participate in an interactive, intergenerational activity facilitated by Cassandra Bowers of Wayne State University's School of Social Work from 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Oct. 6, at the Center of Lifelong Learning for Active Adults, 19851 Anita, Harper Woods.

The goal is to improve students' ability to understand,

appreciate and work with older persons.

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

Panhellenic Association

The Detroit Panhellenic Association meets at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, at Sinbad's Restaurant, Detroit for its monthly meeting.

Call Suelyn Sekulich at (313) 565-7193 for reservations.

Vision support group

Friends of Vision, a vision support group, meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 5 and Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, 15415 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, call Nancy Pilorget at (313) 824-4710, ext. 225.

Windmill Pointe Garden Club

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7 at St. Paul Evangelical Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms. Lucille Grenzke is the hostess and Frances Fleming is the co-hostess.

The program is "Purple Loosestrife," presented by Beverly Oseteck.

AAUW

The American Association of University Women, Grosse Pointe branch, has its fall kickoff meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 20680 Mack.

A short business meeting precedes a dessert and coffee time. The program is Women of the Media, a panel discussion, with moderator Carol Cain, CBS weekly program hostess and Detroit Free Press columnist. Panelist include Wayne State University professor Ben Burns, Chief Executive Officer Detroit Media

Partnership Susie Ellwood, Crain's Detroit Business Executive Editor Cindy Goodaker and Free Press columnist Rochelle Riley. They will discuss their perspectives regarding women and the media and the audience may ask questions.

The public is invited to this free event.

Ski Club

The Grosse Pointe Ski Club meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call John Byne at (586) 293-6779 or visit gpskiclub.com.

The Jazz Forum

The 2009 fall concert series of The Jazz Forum begins with the Dave Bennett Quartet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee.

The Nov. 4 concert features The Taslima Bey Ragtime Jazz Quartet and the Dec. 2 concert features the Charles Boles Quartet.

Series tickets cost \$35; singly, tickets cost \$13 or \$15 at the door.

For more information, call (313) 961-1714 or (313) 885-0232.

La Leche League

La Leche League, a mother-to-mother breastfeeding information and support group, meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, at the Grosse Pointe Park Ewald branch library, 15175 Jefferson.

For more information, call Jennifer at (313) 821-9196 or Elizabeth at (313) 640-9438.

Candidate forums slated

Candidate forums for some of the upcoming elections offered by the League of Women Voters Grosse Pointe are as follows:

Harper Woods mayoral and city council candidates — 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, in the



New season

The annual champagne opener of the Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe was Sept. 2 at Mary Jane and Peter Shumaker's house in Grosse Pointe Farms. The alliance is a cultural, non-profit organization with the purpose to promote the French culture and language. Activities and cultural events are planned with developing knowledge and appreciation of various francophone cultures and offers French classes. For more information, visit afusa.org/af/grossepointe/index.html or e-mail: president@afgrossepointe.org. Board members for 2009-10, are from left, Mary Ann Shumaker, Patricia Stewart, Sara Molnar (president), Lynn Liberato, Christiane Stein, Amal El-Hosni, Pál Molnár and Sara Ollison.

G.P. Foundation

Harper Woods City Council Chambers, 19617 Harper, Harper Woods.

Grosse Pointe Park City Council and judicial candidate Forum — 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the Grosse Pointe Park City Council Chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson Ave., Grosse Pointe Park.

Grosse Pointe school board — 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, in the Wicking Library at Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

The league has not yet scheduled forums for Grosse Pointe Woods and the City of Grosse Pointe.

For more, visit grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org.

The annual meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation begins at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the city office, 17147 Maumee. Election of trustees will be held.

Oktoberfest

The Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club hosts its fifth annual Oktoberfest at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at the Farms Pier Park Clubhouse with beer tasting, authentic Bavarian cuisine and a prize for the best German outfit.

The cost is \$20 for boat club

members and \$25 for guests. Make a reservation by calling Gene Carswell at (313) 647-0749 before Friday, Oct. 9.

DAR

Julie Connoyer, community outreach coordinator for Seedlings Braille Books, is the speaker at the general meeting of the Louisa St. Clair Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Thursday, Oct. 15. The 6 p.m. dinner at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House is followed by the meeting and program at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$24. Call Linda Benson at (313) 863-1015 by noon Monday, Oct. 12.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES



Holiday mart

Chairwoman of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church's Holiday Mart, Beverly Jackson of St. Clair Shores, shows a few of the handmade items available for sale during the annual event, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10. Admission is \$1.50, children 12 and under are admitted free and strollers are welcome. Admission includes a chance to win crafters' donated door prizes. Lunch is served until 2 p.m. in the church lounge. For more information, call (586) 771-9049.

Open Door concert

The Open Door Series at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church presents Sauvage De La Musique at 4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 4, in the sanctuary, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. A reception will follow in the lounge.

The group is a string and piano ensemble who as the name suggests are "wildly" enthusiastic about music. Performances are spontaneous and vibrant, drawing audiences into the live and serious music. Founded by pianist and composer Wesley Fishwick, the ensemble performs a wide variety of classics.

The 2009-2010 concert season features works by Edvard Grieg, Franz Schubert and Fishwick.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. Tickets are available at the door.

For more information, call (313) 884-5040.

Members of the ensemble are string bassist Craig Rifel, member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra; cellist David Levine, member of the DSO and the Cleveland Orchestra; violinist Molly Hughes, member Michigan Opera Theater Orchestra and Flint Symphony; violist Constance Markwick, member of MOTS and Flint Symphony and co-founder of the Adventures in Chamber Music camp; and violinist Marla Smith, co-founder of the Cassini Ensemble and the chamber music camp.

Oktoberfest

Brats and beer are part of the Sunday, Oct. 4 free Oktoberfest at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, beginning after the 10:45 a.m. service.

The public is invited to the event held on the south lawn along Lochmoor Avenue for a potluck lunch, music and games, including bingo with prizes and youth soccer with the Rev. Matthew Dent.

Guests should bring their own non-alcoholic beverages, along with a salad, side dish or dessert to pass.

For more information, call the church office at 884-5090.

Mass

St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Grosse Pointe Park has Mass at 6 p.m. Sundays beginning Oct. 4.

This service emphasizes youth and teen involvement and all are welcome. Parishioners Joyce Helton and Dan Piepszowski lead a contemporary choir and are looking for choir members and instrumentalists of all ages to join the group.

The Teen Group meets at 7 p.m. with Julie Kelly, the newly appointed director of Youth Ministry. For more information call Kelly at (313) 647-5050.

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1:00 pm The SOC Show
1:30 pm Great Lakes Log
2:00 pm The John Prost Show
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4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)
4:30 pm Musical Storytime
5:00 pm In a Heartbeat
5:30 pm The SOC Show
6:00 pm Legal Insider
6:30 pm Who's in the Kitchen
7:00 pm Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)
7:30 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial
8:00 pm In a Heartbeat
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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Band concert

The Grosse Pointe Congregational Church performs at 3:20 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, on the front lawn of the church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Admission is free. This is a preview of what the band will play at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 at the church.

Ecumenical breakfast

Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's breakfast is from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, in the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church's Fellowship Hall, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker is Roy Hoelscher, volunteer coordinator of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

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

Rummage sale

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms, holds a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, and Saturday, Oct. 3.

Items for sale include clothing, jewelry, books, puzzles, toys, linens, housewares, small electrical appliances and sports equipment.

Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Women of the Grosse Pointe Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, hold

their annual rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3.

The 8 a.m. admission charge is \$2; admission is free after 9 a.m.

Sale items include clothing, housewares, linens, jewelry, books, toys, luggage, sports equipment, tools, small electrical appliances and seasonal decorations.

St. Sabbas

Dinner is served from 5 to 10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, and 8, at the Royal Eagle at St. Sabbas Orthodox Church, 18745 Old Homestead, Harper Woods.

The Russian Tea house at St. Sabbas is open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6. A donation of \$20 is accepted.

Reservations for either the Royal Eagle or the tea house may be made by calling (313) 521-1894.

Soup Kitchen

The 37th annual Support Our Capuchin Kitchen dinner is from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center.

Tickets are \$250 and include a silent auction, dinner, open bar and program.

An afterglow event, Second Helping, immediately following the dinner from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The cost is \$50 and is in the main ballroom of the Marriott Renaissance Center.

Tickets for either event may be purchased by calling (313)

579-2100, ext. 20 or by visiting cskdetroit.org or secondhelping.org.

Trip

Senior minister of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Walter A. Schmidt, leads his 11th journey abroad. Participants visit Spain and Portugal with a three-day side trip, at additional cost, to Barcelona, Feb. 26 through March 8.

The tour includes two days in Madrid with a visit to the 2,800-room Royal Palace and gardens, Puerta del Sol, Cervantes Memorial, La Plaza de Espana and the Prado Museum.

Other sites included in the

trip are a visit to Sierra de Guadarrama, Segovia, Salamanca, Lisbon, Jeronimos Monastery and Vasco de Gama's burial place. The Tower of Belem, Castelo Sao Jorge, the Alfama district, Old Bairro Alto, the Lower Town (Baixa), the Praca do Rossio and Estela Gardens are included.

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Ben Van Arragon

The way of love, Jesus style

On May 3, 2009, Dr. George Tiller was gunned down in front of his Wichita, Kansas congregation. The story made national headlines: Tiller, a doctor who performed late-term abortions, had been the source of tremendous controversy for the past two decades. On Sept. 11, 2009, an abortion protestor named Jim Pouillon was shot dead outside a high school in Owosso. Pouillon was well-known for displaying graphic photographs of aborted fetuses.

Both Tiller and Pouillon were men whose actions drew violent responses; both were men whose methods are easy to condemn, depending on which side of the debate you fall.

And both deaths highlight a chilling trend in our country's public stage. Ours is a culture that is increasingly polarized over political and religious issues. Not only is there no middle ground between political and religious right- and left-wingers, there is less and less room for "moderates" in either camp. We rarely hear reasoned debate between liberals and conservatives, progressives and fundamentalists. Inevitably conversations deteriorate into batteries of insults — efforts

not to further a given point, but to destroy a perceived opponent.

Herein lies the problem. We no longer want to co-exist with people whose positions are at odds with our beliefs. We no longer tolerate such people because we perceive them as threats to our convictions and our way of life. Rather than engage someone whose beliefs challenge ours, we prefer to shout them down or rub them out. This may have become the American way, but it's not the way of the cross. Jesus taught his followers, "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder; and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again... anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell." (Matthew 5:21-22)

Even when Christians feel passionate about a given political issue, we are commanded not to use words or actions intended to destroy. Jesus embodied perfect love and his refusal to adopt violent methods is epitomized in his response to those who eventually imprisoned and killed him. On the night Jesus was arrested, his disciple, Peter, drew his sword and at-

tacked Jesus' opponents. Jesus told his friend to put down his weapon and, in one account, healed his adversary. It was anathema to Jesus' nature to accomplish his mission at the expense of another's life. Jesus' disciples still live by this principle. Many years after Jesus' death and resurrection, another of his disciples wrote these words:

"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him."

In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are like him. "There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love." (1 John 4:16-18)

The church's mission is not to eradicate evil. It's not to drive away those who oppose its beliefs. The church's mission is to draw people into a relationship with Jesus Christ, who so loved the world that he gave up his own life to save it. The way of the church is a different way — the way of love.

Ben Van Arragon is the minister at First Christian Reformed Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

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56th annual White Christmas Ball

The Fontbonne Auxiliary's 56th annual White Christmas Ball kick-off luncheon was chaired by Aspa Raptis and hosted by Lisa Vallee-Smith. Bonnie J. Jobe of Bloomfield Hills is the chair and Patrick J. Kerzic and Stephanie Germack Kerzic of Grosse Pointe are this year's honorary chairs. The event is to be at the Ritz Carlton, Dearborn Dec. 11 and is entitled, Christmas in Sweden "Santa Lucia." Proceeds will be used to purchase kidney dialysis equipment for the Renal Therapy Department at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. For more information about the Fontbonne Auxiliary and the White Christmas Ball, call the Fontbonne office at (313) 343-3675. Members are, front row left to right, Stephanie Germack Kerzic, Bonnie J. Jobe and Aspa Raptis; second row left to right, Sr. Georgianna Simon, Mary Ghanem, Nawal Zayat, Jean L. Azar and Debra Arnone; third row left to right, Marie DeLuca, JoAnn Miller, Diane Zedan, Lauren Clune, Elaine Malcoun, Patricia Cosgrove and Debbie Condino; last row left to right, Mary Fodell, Bettejean Ahee, Patricia Stumb, Peggy Davis, Christine Drummy, Phyllis Howard, Carolyn Wagner, Sharon Burke, Barbara Glass, Victoria Liggett and Debra McCarty. Not pictured, Adel Amerman, Gloria Clark, Patricia Connelly, Katie Cosgrove, Mary Ellen Dakmak, Elyse Germack, Suzanne Germack Frederickson, Patricia Giftos, Mado Lie, Patricia Minnick, Kelly Oliver, Mary Ann Van Elslander and Lorna Zalenski.

X-TRA SPECIAL ADVISE By Mary Beth Langan and Theodore G. Coutilish

Documentary airs Oct. 6



If you live with someone with special needs, watch "Living with Fragile X" on WTVS Channel 56 at 10 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6.

If you know someone with special needs, watch this program. If you like a good story, watch this program. If you care about others, watch this program.

In other words, watch this program. Warning: keep a box of tissues close.

The emotional film is the work of Kathy Elder who grew up watching her twin cousins, Ryan and Conor Kahl, 30, struggle through life affected by Fragile X Syndrome. This genetic, neurodevelopmental disorder impacts males and females who may have mild learning disabilities to severe cognitive impairment. Persons affected by FXS may have a dual diagnosis of autism and a number of physical and behavioral features. FXS can cause delays in many developmental areas, including language and

social skills. Most children with FXS look the same as and enjoy the same things as other children, but you may hear unusual speech or see unusual or difficult behaviors when they become excited, anxious, or over-stimulated.

Our son, Andrew, 8, has FXS. Up to 1 in 130 women is a carrier of Fragile X; approximately 1 in 800 men carries Fragile X.

One carrier can pass on Fragile X to their child.

Elder, a producer at Mobay Media and owner of ThinkMedia in Santa Cruz, CA. and her business partner, Greg Mishey, a freelance editor, spent seven years creating an "emotional documentary to show how we come to accept the people we love," she said. They shot 70 hours of interviews with Fragile X families and experts as well as snippets of children and adults living with FXS. They interviewed expert Fragile X doctors and scientists at the UC Davis MIND Institute and Emory University in Atlanta studying FXS.

Elder's goal is to educate audiences about the syndrome and show a new side of those who are traditionally considered "flawed" or "abnormal."

"Living with Fragile X" takes a rare and intimate look at the lives of six families who live with a member affected by FXS: the Robbs, the Kahls, the Gutierrezes, the Farbers, the LeCovers and the Eyres. It covers those who are severely to mildly affected.

The story is amazing.

We viewed the program with hundreds of others in July 2008 at the 11th annual International Fragile X Conference in St. Louis, and there was not a dry eye in the room.

Thankfully, tissue boxes were passed around during the screening.

Credit for airing the program on local TV goes to Rich Homberg, president and general manager, DPTV. Homberg is the kinetic, caring, always-on-the-go executive. He is very supportive of any efforts to tell the story of children with special needs.

"Tell the story, tell the story, tell the story," Homberg often says.

Fortunately, the story has been told. Now, it's up to you to sit back, tissues in hand, and watch it.

Visit livingwithfragilex.com for more information. Grosse Pointe residents

Theodore G. Coutilish and Mary Beth Langan created this column to share experiences from their journey as parents of a child with Fragile X syndrome [fragilex.org]. Send questions or comments to mblangan@hotmail.com.

ST. JOHN HEALTH COLUMN By Dr. Henry Bone III

To your good bone health

Vitamin D has hit the news in recent months, with big promises for health improvements.

Although it's hard to break through the media hype, there are definite health benefits to vitamin D supplementation, according to Henry Bone III, M.D., section chief of endocrinology at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, and an internationally recognized specialist in bone and

mineral metabolism.

Few foods contain vitamin D. Some fish, such as salmon, tuna and mackerel, are considered to be the best sources. Most vitamin D comes from fortified foods like milk. The best natural source for vitamin D is sunlight, but even that is rarely enough.

"Most people, especially in Michigan, don't get enough sun exposure to make adequate Vitamin D on their own, and there are good skin health rea-

sons to be careful about ultraviolet light exposure," Bone said. "Therefore, almost everyone should take a supplement of Vitamin D."

How much? The current recommendations of 400 units for most adults and 600 for those more than 70 are thought to be too low by most experts. Newer recommendations are at least 800 or 1,000 units and the trend is toward recommending 2,000

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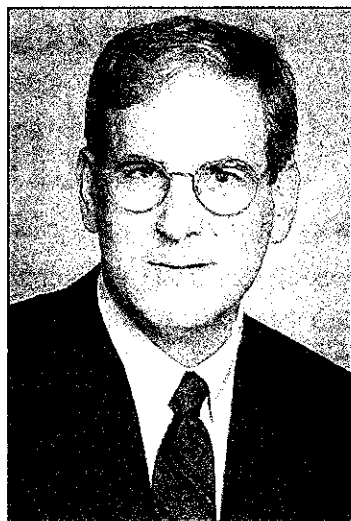
Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe appears twice on the 2009 U.S. News & World Report "Best Hospital" list.

The neurology and neurosurgery department was ranked 34th and the orthopedics department, 47th. Beaumont's orthopedics was also the only Michigan orthopedics noted in the report that analyzes 4,861 United States hospitals.

Some 1,500 hospitals met the eligibility requirements set by the magazine and 174 hospitals ranked high enough in at least one medical specialty.

The magazine ranked 16 specialties in four components: reputation, death rate, patient safety and care-related factors such as nursing and patient services.

To be eligible, hospitals must meet three conditions: be a teaching hospital, have at least 200 beds or at least 100 beds with four of the eight predetermined medical technologies available. Additionally, the hospitals must meet a specified volume of certain procedures and conditions over three years or have been nominated by at



Dr. John Zinkel

least one physician in the past three years on a specialist survey. Finally, the reputation, death rate, patient safety and factors, such as nursing staff and technology help finalized ranking order.

Beaumont has 1,696 licensed beds in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties.

While the ranking is a source of pride, chief of neurosurgery John Zinkel said it was a long road to getting there and, there is no reason to slow down efforts to continually improve patient care and surgical techniques.

Being ranked 34th validates us, he said. However, the hospital "must keep refining, find new techniques and making patient outcome" top priority.

"Beaumont's rankings on these prestigious national lists highlight our reputation for clinical and academic excellence," said Ananias Diokno, M.D., executive vice president and chief medical officer, Beaumont Hospitals. "The expertise of our physicians, the outstanding quality of care provided by our nurses and staff and the exceptional support provided by hospital leadership were essential components for achieving this recognition."

Zinkel came to Bon Secours in 1993 with the goal to set up a state of the art neurology department.

He said it has taken his department 15 years to lay the groundwork, define the standards, refine techniques and improve patient service, which is the focal point.

"We can't rush, we spend time with the patient and know what is going on," he said. "We



Dr. James Bookout

spend time with the patient listening intently to have the right diagnosis. All around service has been the focal point."

He and his staff work with the patient to alleviate the patient's concerns and pain with surgery as the last option, he said. And minimally invasive surgery is the key. "The scalpel is the last resort," Zinkel said.

He describes his preferred method as a keyhole incision

which is less invasive. Patient safety and quicker recovery are two reasons for the small incision.

"We never rush to discharge a patient," Zinkel said. Beaumont's care is stressing Beaumont patient results not volume.

"We are interested in the overall recovery, quickly but safely," he said.

Orthopedics

It's a team effort to treat the patient. Thus the honor of being named one of the U.S.'s top orthopedic hospitals, is a group honor, said head of Beaumont, Grosse Pointe orthopedic department Dr. James Bookout.

From the person making the appointment to the nursing and physical therapy staff to the doctor and the spa staff, it is all about creating the best care for the patient, he said.

"It's a great recognition for the department of orthopedics," he said. "There is excellent quality care in several areas, the nursing/staff ratio at the hospital and being on the

edge of technology advances. We have a dedicated nursing staff. Patients have the same nurses all the time, the same therapist all the time. Together, it is a great team concept. A small part of the process is me.

"It's an honor to be grouped and with the Mayo Clinic (ranked No. 1 in orthopedics) and Massachusetts General Hospital (ranked No. 3)," he said.

"I'm not surprised we made the list. The orthopedic program has been phenomenal. We provide excellent ortho care. It's a tribute to not one individual, but to all the health care provided at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe," he said.

Bookout, like Zinkel, said the department won't sit on its laurels, but will continue to improve patient interaction, department and hospital services and introduction of new and proven technology.

"We are constantly reviewing our own data and where we can improve. We are always trying to get better where we are not perfect," he said.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Christina Pitts

The Phoenix Challenge: Rising to Fulfillment

This is the first in a series.

Last summer I was invited to write a chapter for "Discover Your Inner Strength" with notable contributors including Stephen Covey and Ken Blanchard.



Immediately what came to mind is the image of a phoenix rising and I knew I would write about embracing challenge as an opportunity for personal growth.

As many of us know, the phoenix is a mythological bird that descends into a fire of its own making and is reborn in the throes of death, transforming into a new and more powerful, more beautiful magnificence. In Chinese mythology, the phoenix represents virtue, power and prosperity. In some myths, the firebird's tears heal all wounds.

The myth of the phoenix teaches us at times of challenge, we must consciously and intentionally descend to the depths, enduring the chaos, confusion and pain to ascend as someone stronger. The learning, while we're descending into our inner selves, yields enlightenment. When

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opportunity knocks, we're there to open the door to an enriched outcome.

I encourage everyone to embrace challenge as a constructive force enabling us to become stronger. If we choose to meet challenge head on and determine to accept it with grace — to understand and learn from the process — the yield will be bountiful: greater wisdom, new vigor to generate desirable outcomes, renewed sense of achievement and accomplishment and rediscovered pride in personal competence.

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I invite you to think of something challenging you. Ask yourself: "Am I willing to devote time, effort, energy to create a positive outcome?" If so, you're taking the first step toward embracing challenge. Learn more by attending The Family Center's Ask the Experts from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8.

Pitts is a consultant to businesses and nonprofits, as well as an executive and personal coach and mentor. She can be reached at (313) 881-3433; or christina@pittsaldrichassociates.com.

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'Fit and fabulous' classes

"Fit and Fabulous" classes for those 50 and up are being offered by Henry Ford Cottage Hospital physicians at the hospital, 159 Kercheval Avenue, Grosse Pointe Farms.

From 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, gynecologist S. Kaveeshvar and urologist Linda McIntire discuss urinary incontinence in women in a program called, "Oh, That Gotta-Go Feeling."

Weakened pelvic muscles or damaged nerves can cause changes in the bladder and/or urethra that lead to bothersome urinary symptoms, often significantly affecting a woman's quality of life. These problems can be helped by exercise, drugs, diet or behavior modifications or surgery.

"Shoulder Injuries in the Active Adult" is the topic of orthopedic surgeon Terrance Lock and physical therapist Kelly Roskelly from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, in the Athletic Medicine & Physical Therapy Center gym, located on the second floor of Henry Ford Cottage Hospital.

Lock explores the causes of common shoulder injuries in active adults and what surgeries or therapies can be used to treat them. Roskelly demon-

strates exercises that can help prevent shoulder injuries and offers tours of the outpatient physical therapy gym.

"First Aid & Second Steps," is being offered from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, in the Henry Ford Cottage Emergency Center Lounge —

first floor. Nicolo Leone, an emergency medicine physician, presents an overview of basic first aid techniques, including when and how to use them. Leone provides a checklist to help determine when professional care is needed. Call (313) 640-2500 for reservations.

HEALTH: Vitamin D is important

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units daily for most individuals.

Proper levels of vitamin D are important for bone health, but also for several other organ systems, especially muscle strength.

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In addition to vitamin D supplementation, there are a num-

ber of useful medications for osteoporosis...and more on the way.

At the most recent meeting of the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, many reports were presented on available drugs and those being evaluated. Bone was the author of several reports on drugs currently being tested for osteoporosis, as part of the ongoing research program at Michigan Bone and Mineral Clinic, PC in Grosse Pointe.

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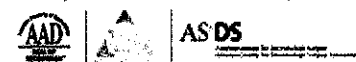
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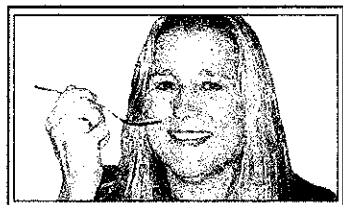
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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Finding zucchini makes chef's day



It's a good day when I find a bag of home-grown zucchini on my front porch. What to do with a 4 1/2 pound zucchini was my (happy) dilemma. I decided to start by making pan fried zucchini cutlets as I have often done with chicken or eggplant. I then paired them with caramelized onions, beefsteak tomato, fresh herbs and mozzarella cheese.

Nestled in a quick, no-cook tomato sauce, these zucchini

cutlets are delicious.

Zucchini Cutlets with Caramelized Onion and Beef steak Tomato

1 - very large (2 lbs. plus) home-grown zucchini
about 1 cup flour, seasoned with salt and pepper
4 eggs, beaten
2 cups Italian bread crumbs
1 1/2 cups salad oil
for frying
2 large onions, halved and thinly sliced
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 - 28 oz. can crushed tomatoes
2 teaspoons minced garlic
3 tablespoons olive oil
2 pinches crushed red pepper flakes (or more)

salt and pepper to taste
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

2 large beefsteak tomatoes, sliced into 1/2 inch slices
One large handful fresh oregano and basil

2 cups shredded mozzarella thin strips of roasted pepper for garnish (optional)

Cut the zucchini into 1/2 inch slices and dredge in the seasoned flour.

Dip into beaten egg and dredge through the bread crumbs. Heat salad oil in a large skillet and pan fry the zucchini until golden brown on both sides. Transfer to a paper towel to drain excess grease. Set aside.

Heat olive oil in a medium skillet over medium heat and saute the sliced onion until it becomes a caramel brown. This process will take several minutes. Toss the onions occasionally while cooking.

Meanwhile, in a medium bowl combine the crushed tomatoes with garlic, 3 tablespoons olive oil and crushed pepper. Season with salt and pepper. Taste and add more salt and pepper as needed.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place the sauce in a greased 9-by-13 inch baking dish. Place eight of the fried zucchini slices in the sauce, side by side. Top each with the caramelized



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Zucchini cutlets replace chicken or eggplant.

onions then sprinkle with the Parmesan cheese. Place a slice of tomato on each zucchini round and sprinkle with salt. Scatter the fresh herbs over the tomatoes and top with mozzarella. Arrange the strips of roasted pepper over the mozzarella, if you choose. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 to 40 minutes, until the cheese has melted and the sauce becomes bubbly. Serve hot.

My husband, Tony, gave kudos to my quick sauce and declared the layers of flavor right on. (He is my toughest critic.)

If you prepare the zucchini one day and assemble the dish the next, it won't be as over-

whelming as it appears.

◆ A note about super large home grown zucchini. The seeds are also very large (and tough like a pumpkin seed). You can remove the seeds before you fry the zucchini or be cautious of them while eating.

Joyce, thanks for the zucchini.

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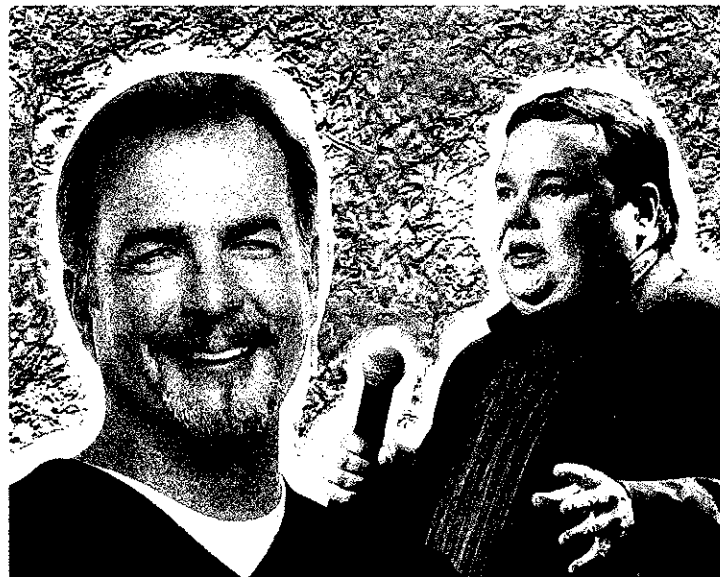
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Behind the Scenes heads to yacht club, auto museum

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The group heads to the Detroit Yacht Club at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 where guests get a look at one of North America's oldest and most prestigious private clubs.

The club was founded in 1868 and the current clubhouse on Belle Isle was completed in 1922 by architect George Mason. After the tour, guests can have lunch in one of the club's leisure rooms. The cost is \$30 for Detroit Historical Society members and \$40 for guests.

Stahl's Automotive Museum is the destination for the 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31

tour. Guests explore this St. Clair Shores museum's collection of rare and historically significant cars from the Depression and Art Deco eras and learn how they preserve and restore vintage vehicles of the 20th century. The cost is \$20 for Detroit Historical Society members and \$30 for guests.

Telephone reservations are accepted with a Visa or

MasterCard from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tickets are not sold the day of the tour.

Those who register receive directions to the tour location, a map, and additional information in the mail one to two weeks prior to the tour.

For more information or reservations, call (313) 833-1801, or visit detroithistorical.org.

Mount Clemens bath houses featured in film shown Oct. 10-11

"Mount Clemens: The Bath City of America" is showing at 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 10-11 at the Detroit Historical Museum.

Each screening is free with regular museum admission.

"Mount Clemens: The Bath City of America," filmed and produced in 2007 by Donald W. Green, Cindy Sue Donahue and Joe Peruzzi, chronicles the town's mineral bath industry from the 1880s to the 1940s.

Mount Clemens was established in 1818 by Christian Clemens. During the 1870s,

the city made several attempts to develop salt wells.

Though these attempts were unsuccessful, they resulted in the discovery of mineral waters. Soon after, the city's mineral bath industry began to flourish and Mount Clemens became a world-renowned health spa and popular summer destination for people seeking the healing powers of the baths. In its heyday, 23 major hotels, bath houses and rooming houses lined the city streets. After World War II, the city's once thriving bath industry began to decline.

Today, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, built in 1898, is the only remaining bath house.

The run time for the film is 26 minutes.

The museum, located at 5401 Woodward, Detroit, is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Adult admission is \$6. Seniors (60-plus), college students with valid college ID and youth ages 5-18 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is free.

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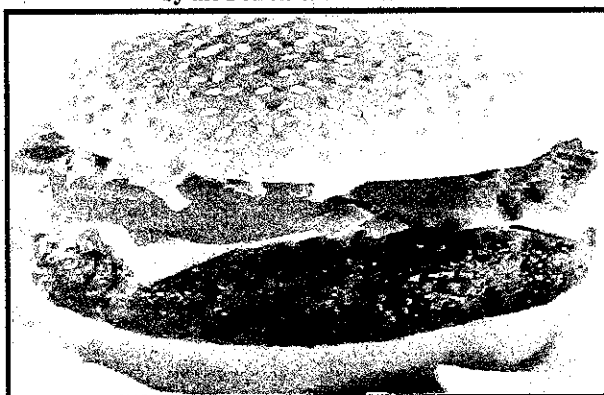
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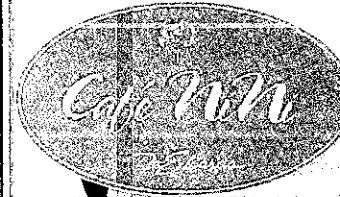
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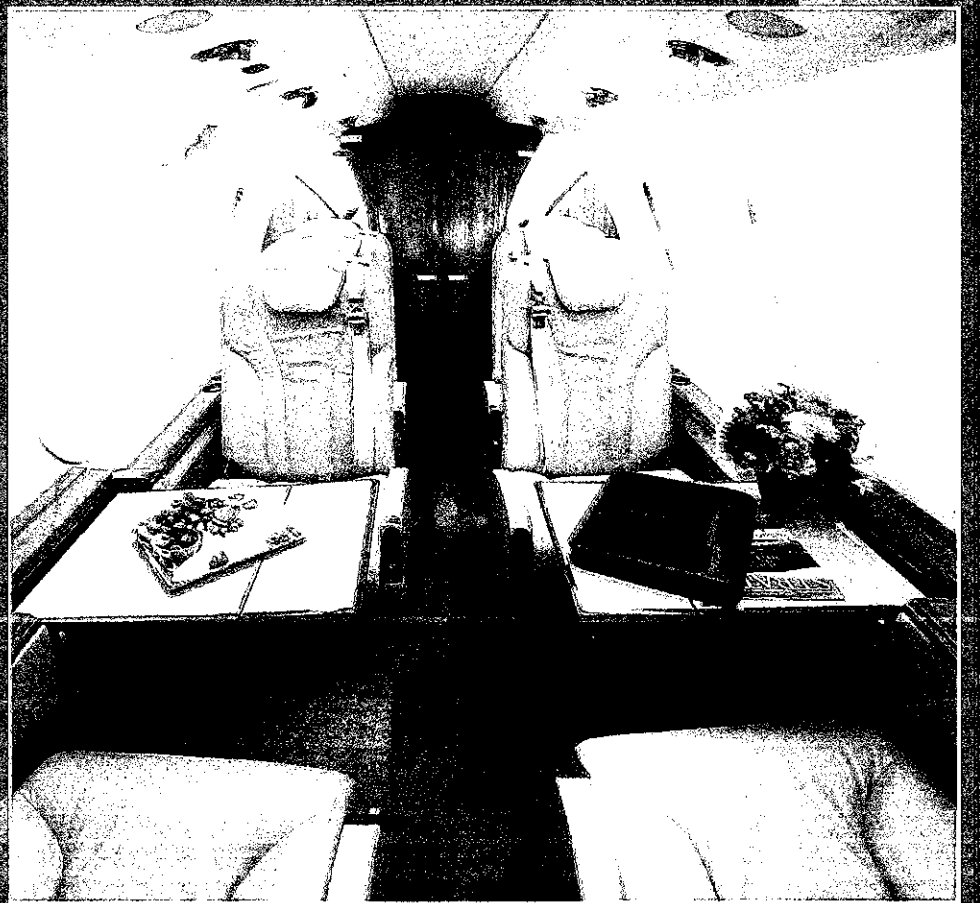
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FOOTBALL

Big plays lead Norsemen by Blue Devils



Grosse Pointe South quarterback Ben Frye follows a block from senior Alex Koski during the North vs. South game.

North makes it 7 in a row over South

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

It was everything the nearly 8,000 fans who flocked to Grosse Pointe South High hoped it would be.

There were hard hits, big plays and high drama, and after all the dust settled on one on the nation's top high school football rivalries, the Norsemen (4-1) pushed their winning streak against South (3-2) to seven, ousting the Blue Devils, 24-7.

"This is a big one," North coach Frank Sumner said as fans rushed the field after the victory. "This is one you really want. They're a very big win for the players and the student body. We were very determined tonight to play our best."

This determination was evident for North, particularly on the defensive side of the ball, holding the Blue Devils scoreless through the first half.

"Our defense was pretty good," Sumner explained. "We bent a little bit, but didn't break."

Offensively, North struck first when quarterback A.J. Brooks found a streaking JeJuan Henderson for an 85-yard touchdown pass. Despite the ball getting tipped,

Henderson kept his focus and hauled the pass in.

"That was a little different for us," Sumner said. "We don't score too often off the pass. But Henderson made a great catch and that was a big play for us early on."

North senior tailback Tommy Watkins saw the first-quarter touchdown catch as a big moment in contest as well.

"In a game like this anything can happen," Watkins said with a smile. "That was a great play and really got us fired up even more."

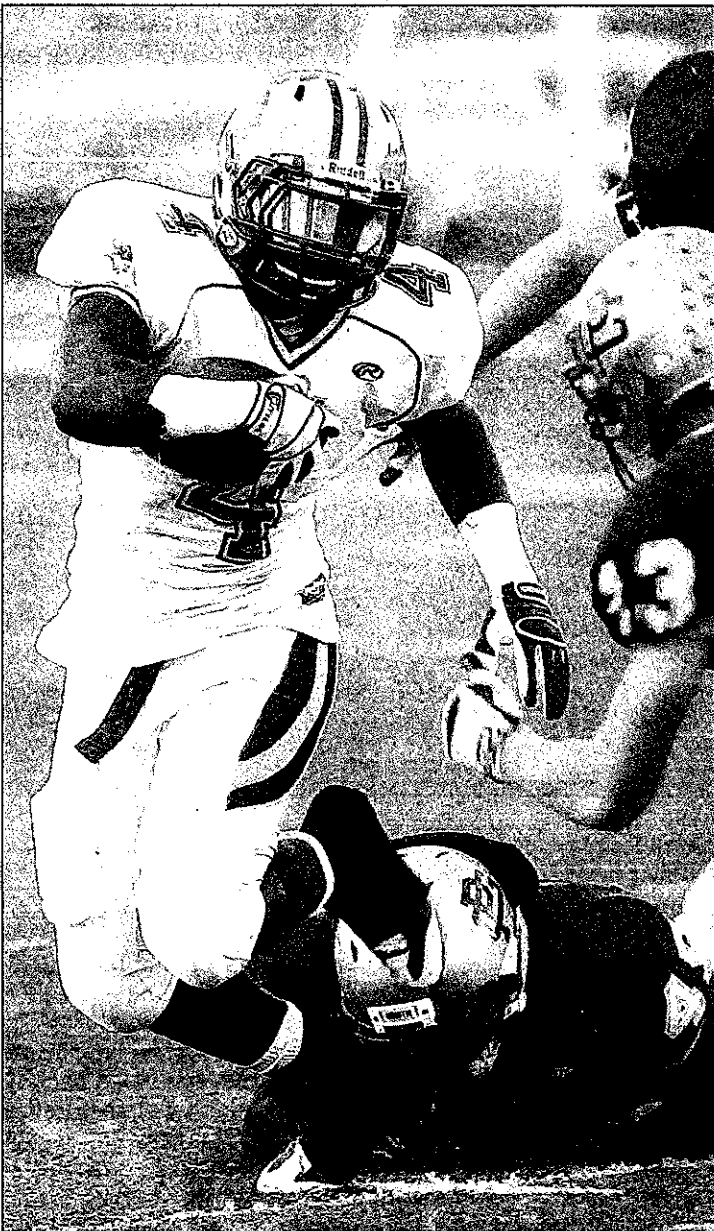
Watkins certainly did his part, rushing for 164 yards and a pair of scores in the win.

"I'm a senior," Watkins said. "It meant a lot for me to win this game tonight. It was something that I and the rest of the seniors on the team really wanted to do. I'm just glad we were able to do it."

The squads traded possessions in the third quarter with South driving as the quarter came to a close.

Blue Devils quarterback Ben Frye propelled the Blue Devils early in the fourth quarter with his feet. The junior, out of a wildcat-style formation, found holes in the North defense and helped set up a 2-yard touchdown dive from junior Stanley Scott. The touchdown closed the gap to 10-7.

"We just didn't have our A-game tonight," South coach Tim Brandon admitted. "We



Grosse Pointe North senior running back Tommy Watkins, No. 4, rumbles to a nice gain in the opening quarter against South.

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Boys tennis

LIGGETT, NORTH & SOUTH

South ties for second in Liggett Tourney

North, Liggett tie for fourth

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South tied for second with Ann Arbor Greenhills in last weekend's University Liggett School Tournament.

Ann Arbor Pioneer won the title with 22 points, while South and Greenhills each had

nals to round out the Blue Devils' doubles teams.

In singles matches, Brendan Petz and John Willard lost tough matches to Pioneer, while Matt Keane won his consolation title match.

All eight of the Knights' flights won at least one match with senior Skippy Faber leading the way with two victories at No. 1 singles.

"Skippy is playing some solid tennis right now and is defi-

North head coach Drew Mascarin watched his best player, junior Doug Zade, win his first two matches before losing to Song in the finals 6-3, 6-2 at No. 1 singles. It was the best match of the tournament, according to several spectators.

In doubles, Kevin Irving and Kevin Zak also won their first two matches before losing 6-3, 6-1 to Pioneer in the finals, while Bryan Butts and Dan Amato dropped their opening match but won their next two in easy fashion, winning 6-0, 6-1 in each contest.

Jeff Irving and Matt Warnez also won two matches, including 6-0, 6-0 in the fifth-place contest.

Michael Maas and Matt Slavik won one match at No. 3 doubles, while Kyle Moore and Patrick Hastings won a match in their respective singles flights.

In dual matches last week, South beat Troy Athens 7-1 as Matt Clune won a tough three-set match 7-5, 4-6, 6-4. It ended at the end of dusk.

"We were getting a little worried the match would have to be suspended because it was too dark outside," Berschback said. "Matt came through with a nice win for the team and the win over Athens gives us a leg up on them since we will face them in our regional."

They also defeated Sterling Heights Stevenson to win the Macomb Area Conference Red Division title for the first time in three years.

The Knights dropped their dual matches last week, losing 5-3 to Grosse Ile and 7-1 to Greenhills.

Against No. 1 ranked Greenhills, Faber took one of the states best players, Chris Song, to the wire before losing 7-5, 6-4, and Blake won his match 6-3, 7-5 over Conner Themper.

Against Grosse Ile, Blake won 2-6, 6-4, 6-2, and Canzano won 6-3, 2-6, 7-5 in their singles matches.

The Knights' only doubles victory came at No. 1 with Garrett Redding and Quinlan winning 7-5, 7-5.

The Norsemen also played two dual matches last week, beating St. Clair and losing to Greenhills. The Norsemen finished second in the MAC Red with a 4-1 mark.

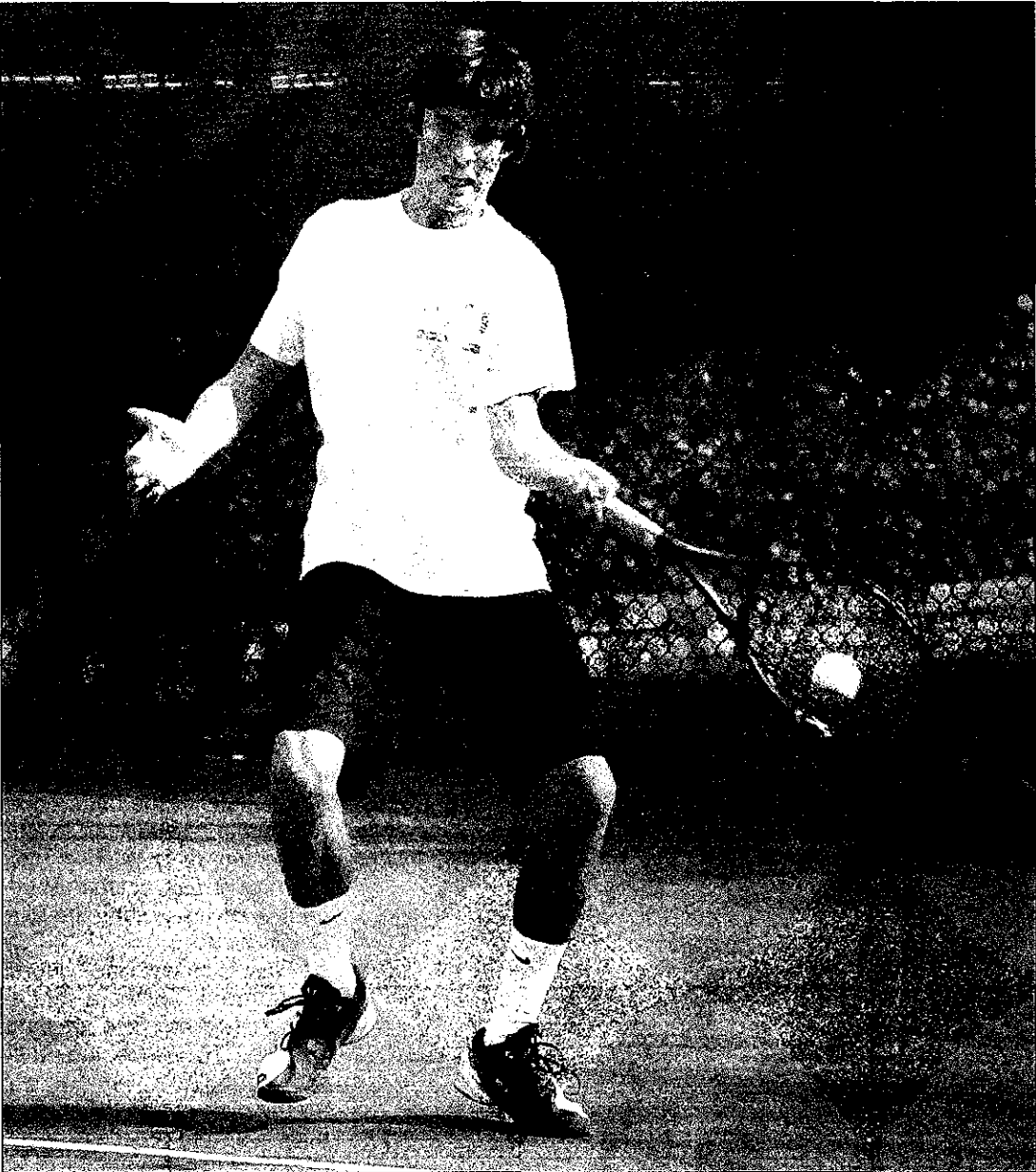


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Senior Brendan Petz played well during his singles matches to help Grosse Pointe South tie for second in the ULS Tournament.

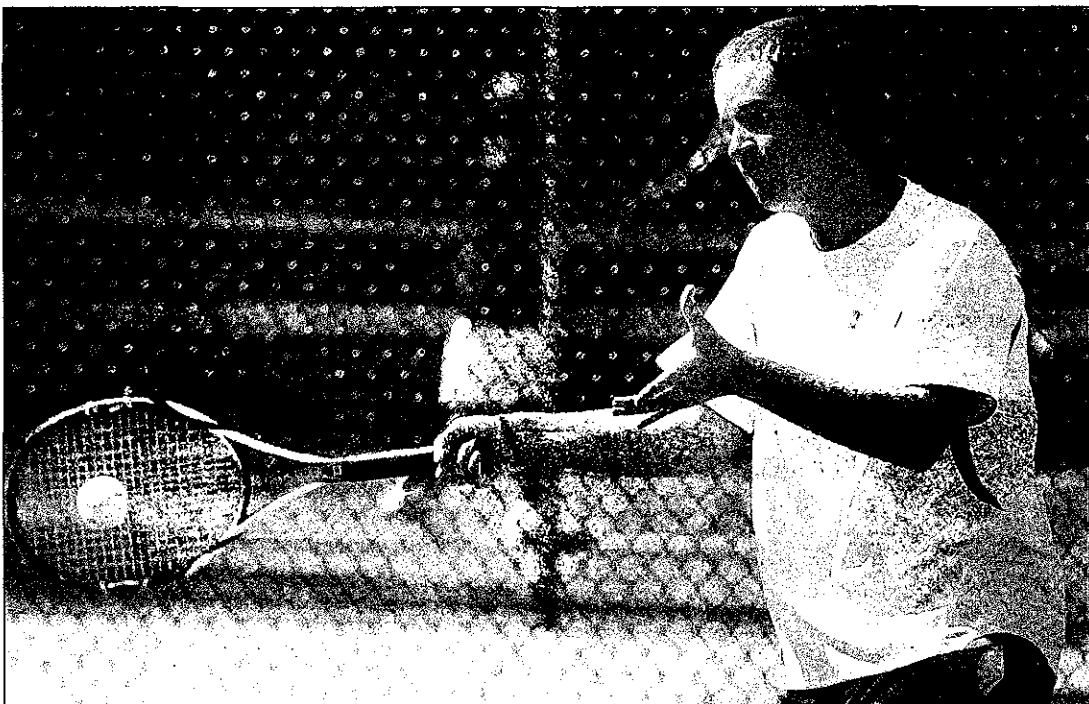


PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Liggett senior Skippy Faber competed against some top-notch players at No. 1 singles flight during the ULS Tournament.



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

North Head coach Drew Mascarin, left, and his No. 1 doubles team of seniors Kevin Irving, center, and Kevin Zak, enjoyed some success in the ULS Tournament.

16 points.

Liggett and Grosse Pointe North tied for fourth with 11 points, while Dearborn Edsel Ford had eight. Dearborn and Dearborn Fordson earned six points apiece.

"Our guys played pretty well against some good competition," South head coach Tom Berschback said. "We have some big matches ahead of us that will determine seeds in the upcoming regional and state tournaments."

Leading the way for the Blue Devils was the No. 2 doubles team of Max Galvin and Wes Kalogeridis who beat Pioneer in the championship match.

The No. 3 doubles team of Max Cook and Brandon Grams made it to the finals, but lost in three sets, and the No. 4 doubles squad of Will Quinn and David Harris also lost in the title match.

The No. 1 doubles team of Rob Montgomery and Charlie Miller won the consolation fi-

nately one of our team leaders," Liggett head coach Chuck Wright said.

Faber lost to Willard in the first round, but came back to win his next two matches 6-3, 6-0 and 6-3, 6-1.

Alejandro Blake was 1-2 at No. 2 singles, as was Austin Petitpren and Boris Canzano at No. 3 and No. 4 singles, respectively.

Garrett Redding and Ian Quinlan won two matches at No. 1 doubles. They won their opening match over Fordson 7-5, 6-4 and won the third-place match 6-7, 7-5, 7-6.

Robert Stanley and Garrett Mallires also won two matches at No. 3 doubles, too.

"Garrett and Ian, as well as Robert and Garrett are playing better as we head to the regionals," Wright said.

George Park and Matt Stanley at No. 2 doubles and Ian Flick and Alec Petitpren at No. 4 doubles finished 1-2 in their three matches.

Girls swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils get big challenges

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' swim team beat 2-of-3 opponents last week in a triangular meet at Ann Arbor Huron.

Head coach Eric Gunderson was encouraged by the chance of his swimmers competing against some very good teams.

The Blue Devils beat the host school 106-80 and Brighton 97-89 and lost 130-56 to Saline.

Ali DeLoof posted a personal best in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 59.93 and won the 100-yard freestyle with a state-qualifying time of 54.46.

Senior Molly DeWald also won an event, posting a state-qualifying time of 1:07.22 in the 100-yard breaststroke. She finished third in the 50-yard freestyle with another state-qualifying time of 25.50.

The Blue Devils' 200-yard medley relay team of DeLoof, DeWald, sophomore Jessie Kaminski and senior Kacey Murphy qualified for the state meet by posting a third-place time of 1:54.27, while junior Caroline Wilkinson and senior Lindsey Phillips placed third and fourth in the 500-yard

freestyle with times of 5:32.83 and 5:37.75.

Wilkinson and Phillips were also neck-and-neck in the 200-yard freestyle, placing fifth and sixth with times of 2:06.39 and 2:06.93, respectively. Freshman Lilly Boggs took sixth in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:28.96 to round out the Blue Devils' individual placements.

Gunderson also watched his other two relay teams finish fourth.

The 200-yard freestyle relay foursome of Murphy, sophomore Laurel Johnson, sophomore Megan Brooks and junior Ellen Henrichs had a time of 1:48.62, and the 400-yard freestyle relay squad of Henrichs, Phillips, Wilkinson and DeLoof had a time of 3:55.54.

Earlier in the week, the Blue Devils squashed Utica Eisenhower 108-75, improving to 2-0 in the Macomb Area Conference and 5-3 overall.

Coming up for the Blue Devils is a home meet Tuesday, Oct. 13, against South Lyon, and an away meet Tuesday, Oct. 20, against Chippewa Valley.



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Ali DeLoof, shown above winning the backstroke, is one of the best underclassmen in the Macomb Area Conference.

G.P. NORTH

North gets by Big Reds

The Grosse Pointe North girls swimming and diving team defeated Chippewa Valley 100-86 last week.

Emma Mathews won the 50-yard freestyle, while Maresa Leto and Emily Turnbull took the top spot in the 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke to lead the Norsemen.

Head coach Mike O'Connor said season-best times were recorded by Mathews, Devon McKinley, Katie Buda, Cathlin Michels, Kara Toma and Rachel Neveux in the 100-freestyle; Sammy Scoggin in the 200-freestyle and 500-freestyle; Sarah Sherer and Delores Sinistaj in the 500-freestyle; Megan Tomasi and Caroline Tripp in the 100-backstroke; Jenna Isherwood in the 100-breaststroke; Blake Moncur in the 100-butterfly; Jacqueline Shea, Carly Mellos and Tripp in the 200-IM; and Alyssa Delaney, Alyssa Mammen and Ingrid Burton in diving.

North improved to 1-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 3-2 overall.

Cross country

NORTH & SOUTH BOYS

North, South earn top 10 placement

Grosse Pointe North's boys' cross country team finished seventh and South's team finished ninth in last weekend's Catholic Central Shamrock Invitational at Cass Benton Park in Northville.

Pinckney edged Novi Detroit Catholic Central for the title, followed by Birmingham Brother Rice, Dearborn Edsel Ford, Rochester Adams and Northville.

"This was not a great meet for us scoring-wise, but we knew that going into the meet," North head coach Dan Quinn said. "Our goal is to keep closing the gap on Brother Rice, but they held their pack together

er well.

"We race Brother Rice three out of the next five weekends and we will see them at the regional meet for the first time ever."

For the Norsemen, Kyle Lacey finished 20th with the third-best time for the program since 1999 with a personal-best of 17:26.

The Blue Devils had four runners post a sub-19 minute time on a difficult Cass Benton Park course.

Austin Montgomery took 20 seconds off his personal best and had a time of 18:23, followed by Brad Menchl who was a step behind with a per-

sonal best of 18:24.

Pat Rennell and Matt Geist also finished with times under 19 minutes.

Head coach Mark Sonnenberg also praised Dan Dou, who stepped in for an injured runner at the last minute and ran a personal best for the varsity squad.

In the junior varsity race, North's Lucas Segovia dropped 83 seconds from his best time and Ed Surmont and Forrest Carner had great runs.

"If we're going to run with the teams in our region, we're going to have to get out faster, keep our pack together and move that pack into the middle

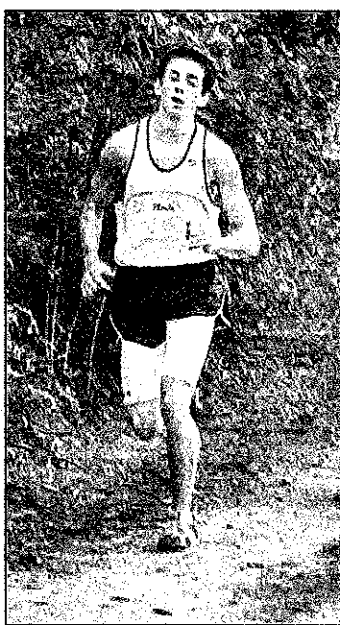


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Grosse Pointe North's Kyle Lacey had a personal-best time of 17:26 to lead all local runners in last weekend's invitational race.

17s," Quinn said.

— Bob St. John

LIGGETT

Knights run in mud conditions

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Liggett's cross country teams competed in last week's Oakland Christian School's invitational.

Athletes from 15 schools competed on a course covered in mud. Heavy rains soaked the course minutes before the start.

"It was a tough go for the girls and boys since they had to run through the mud," head coach Trey Cassidy said.

Because this was a small school's race, scoring was based on the top three finishers on each team.

The girls finished sixth out of 11 teams and the boys ninth

out of 13 squads.

Leading the way for the girls were Haliagh Ristovski, 14th; Katarina Goitz, 15th; and Eleni Pitses, 26th.

For the boys, Kevin Allen was 18th, followed by Aaron Robertson at 27th and Joe Renzi at 47th.

Peter Jachim and Robert Hammond also competed and improved their times from their previous meet.

The top finishers in the competition were Oakland Christian's Rachel Termarsch at 23:08 and Mitchell Dale at 17:25.

Oakland Christian won the girls' meet and Ann Arbor Greenhills took first in the boys' meet.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH GIRLS

Blue Devils continue run of impressive results

Grosse Pointe South's girls' cross country team took second in last weekend's Catholic Central Shamrock Invitational held at Cass Benton Park in Northville.

Pinckney won the meet with 35 points, followed by

South with 36, Northville with 110, Rochester Adams with 112 and Dearborn with 155.

The winners came into the race ranked No. 4, but it was the Blue Devils who took four of the top seven places.

Leading the way with a

first-place finish was freshman Hannah Meier. She was the only one of the 98 competitors to break the 19-minute mark, running a time of 18:50.

Freshman Haley Meier and Christina Firl finished third

and fourth with times of 19:20 and 19:35, respectively, while senior Katie Steen had a season-best time of 20:08 to take seventh.

"Pinckney had just a little more depth at the 5-6-7 positions which gave them the

one-point margin of victory," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "This does, however, give us a challenge to work on closing our gaps even further. "We've been extremely competitive in all of our races this season.

"We have several very good races in the next few weeks that will continue to prepare us for the state competitions later this month. We continue to improve and continue to look stronger."

The Blue Devils' 5-6-7 runners all placed in the top 25 to earn medals.

Placing 21st was junior Margaret Levasseur at 21:04; placing 23rd was sophomore Kelly Langton at 21:17; and taking 24th was junior Natalie

Gay at 21:20. Langton's time was a season best.

South dominated the junior varsity race, taking 15 of the top 25 positions in the 175-runner field.

Freshman Chelsea Marsh was third at 22:16, while junior Molly Meszaros was fourth and freshman Margaret Brennan was fifth with times of 22:22 and 22:36, respectively.

Maggie Clevenger, Sydney Burke, Ivana Kakos, Jordan Salley and Haley Martin were also close behind.

"We typically have 10 to 12 season best times on this hilly course," Zaranek said. "Today we had 35. This is a very strong team of competitors."

— Bob St. John



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

Grosse Pointe South runners are ready for the start of the Catholic Central Shamrock Invitational last weekend.

BASKETBALL

North to host basketball league

Grosse Pointe North High School hosts a youth basketball league Saturday mornings from Oct. 17 to Nov. 14.

It is for boys and girls in third through eighth grade, ages 8 to 14.

The games run from 9 to 10:30 a.m. On Nov. 7, the games will be played at Parcels Middle School.

The cost is \$99 per player and the directors are Matt Lockhart and Stephen Bernard, who will not be instructing or coaching the seventh- and eighth-grade players due to Michigan High School Athletic Association guidelines.

A staff member from Midwest Athletics will coach the seventh- and eighth-grade participants.

There are five different aspects of the camp players focus on that will benefit the players as they advance through the system.

They are man-to-man defense, how to play correct man to man defense and learn the basic principles to play man-to-man; floor spacing, how to use the entire floor and the benefits of correct spacing; triple threat position, the proper way to catch, pass and dribble once the ball is received; how to use continuity on the offense and defensive ends of the floor; and Norsemen basketball tips, the rules of the game, understand how to carry oneself as a potential future North student-athlete, learn the appropriate attire and behavior both on and

off the floor and how to work with different coaches.

Coaches will also institute fundamental training. Each week before the five items listed above the players will learn fundamentals that are a key part to the Norseman Program.

They are shooting in one motion for quick release, staying on track and square to the basket; proper catch and how to incorporate your entire body into your shot; eliminating wasted motion while moving, change of speed and covering ground off dribble; using angles to attack off the dribble and situational finishes at the basket using strong finishes and speed finishes; and creating space out of the triple threat.

For more information, contact Steve Benard at (313) 580-0351 or steve@mwabasketball.com

Register at mwabasketball.com. Send this form along with the payment to: Midwest Athletics, 16400 Eastland Dr., Roseville, MI 48066.

TRIATHLON

Local athletes earn top honor

The Team Fraser Lab Rats triathletes, based at Fraser Bicycle and Fitness in Fraser, won the 2009 Division V National Triathlon Club Championship.

The meet was held Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19 and 20, in Oklahoma City, Ok.

Andrea Abatemarco, a Bloomfield Hills athlete, led the 16-member team by winning the title of overall fastest

female in the Olympic distance triathlon with a time of 2:30:27 for the 1,500-meter swim, 40-kilometer bike and 10-kilometer run.

David Richardson-Rossbach and Kimberly Hase, both of Grosse Pointe Park, competing in the 70.3 distance event, took second and 10th in their respective age groups to earn a spot on the US National Age Group Triathlon Team.

They are eligible to compete in the Halfmax World Championships in Germany in 2010. The 70.3 distance triathlon consists of a 1.2-mile swim, a 56-mile bike and 13.1-mile run.

"The Lab Rats really outdid themselves," said Team Fraser coach Tony Venticinque. "They had great races and we had a terrific time together all weekend long."

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Girls volleyball

LIGGETT

Knights open division play with wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Liggett's girls' volleyball team opened its inaugural season as a member of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference in style last week, beating Warren Macomb Christian 25-12, 25-9, 29-27.

"The girls played very well in the first two games," head coach Dan Sullivan said. "Our serving was good, our setting was good and the rest of our game was good, but the girls got out of their rhythm in that third game and weren't consistent."

"I'm glad they closed it out in three games because I didn't want to give Macomb Christian any momentum."

Captains Maggie Zinkel, Sarah Altimore and Mary Grech brought their "A" game to the court. Altimore's perfect sets led to several Zinkel kills and Grech's defense and serve receive was solid.

Lexie Mustafaa, Tori Wuthrich, Haley Smith, Carrie

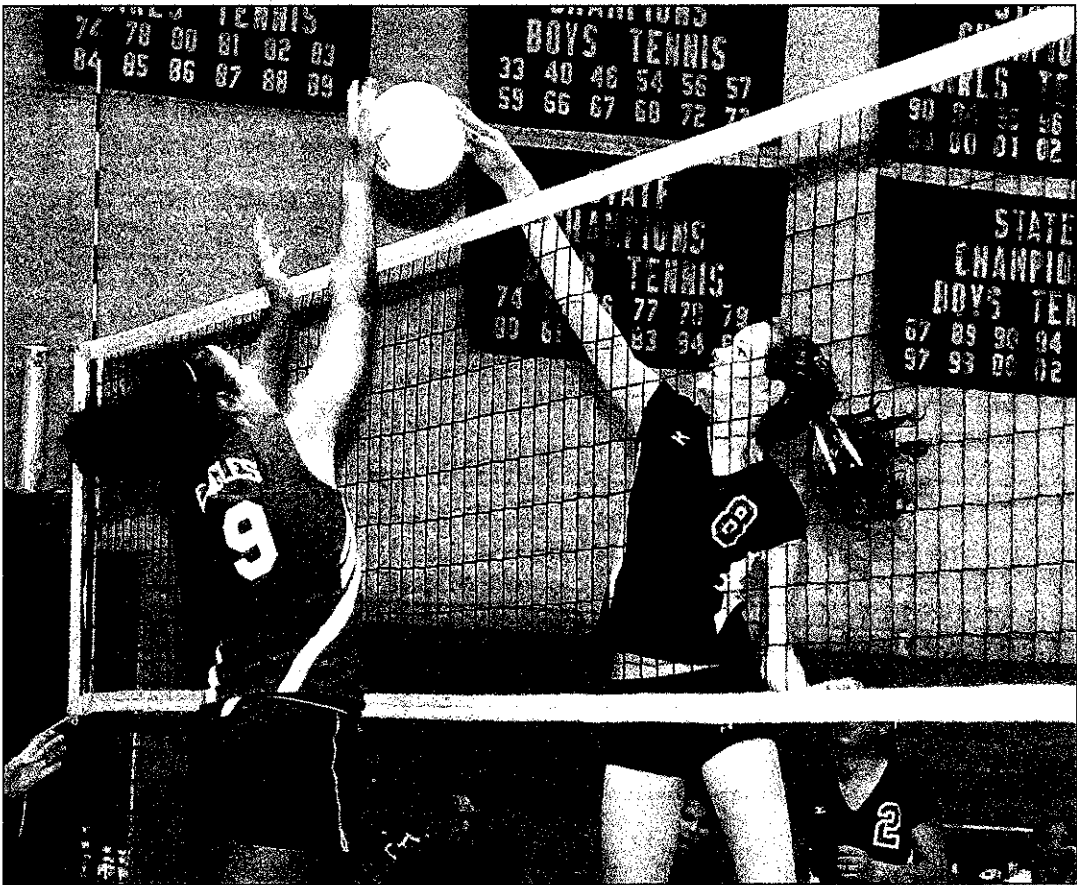


PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Junior Carrie Chouinard, right, played well to help Liggett's volleyball team edge Sterling Heights Parkway Christian. The win was the Knights' second straight in MIAC play.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Close, but not close enough

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' volleyball team had division title favorite Utica Eisenhower on the ropes last week.

The host Blue Devils won game two of the best-of-five Macomb Area Conference Blue Division match and led game three 24-22.

They were also serving for the victory, but a sideout and three consecutive service points from the Eagles led to a 26-24 defeat.

The Blue Devils went on to lose game four, losing the match three games to one, 25-15, 15-25, 26-24, 25-15.

"We really had the momentum and could have served out the game, but we let that opportunity slip away," head coach Ryan Welser said. "Our girls played so hard against a very good team with two girls who will play college volleyball next season and put themselves in position to at least force like to have to win a fourth game to push it to five."

"I'm proud of the girls for their effort."

The Blue Devils were flat to open the match and the Eagles took advantage as Stacey Catalano, 23 kills, 14 aces and 10 blocks, dominated play at the net and with her jump serve.

Welser told his girls to relax and play their game between the first and second games. It worked as the Blue Devils played with more intensity.

Behind captains Mary Kate Kramer, Chloe Srebernak and Ann Buslepp, the Blue Devils turned the score around in their favor.

They dominated play at the net and forced the Eagles back on their heels.

Seniors Jessica Bashara and Alex Vurpillat, along with juniors Sally Dixon, Karen Schumann, Allyson Webb and

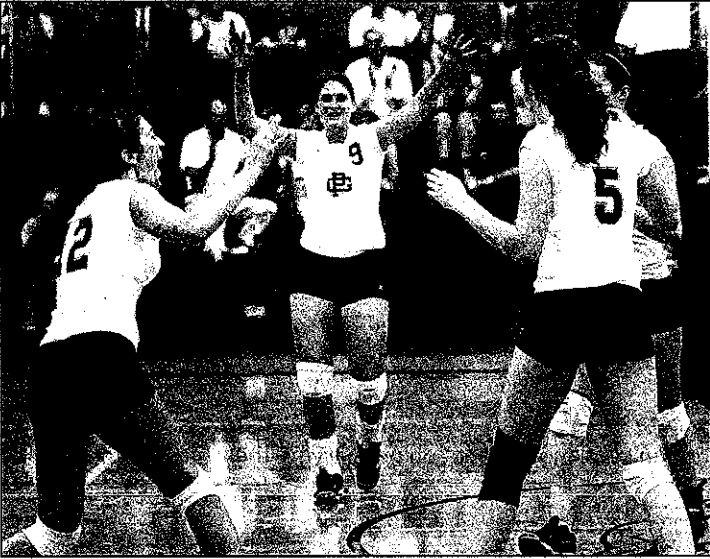


PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

Junior Jenny Stratelak, No. 9, and her Grosse Pointe South teammates, from left, junior Mary Kate Kramer, junior Ann Buslepp and senior Chloe Srebernak gave division title contender Utica Eisenhower fits before falling in four games.

Jennifer Stratelak were more aggressive, netting attacks and digs that carried over to the pivotal third game.

Each team played up to their potential in the third game, but when it came down to it, Catalano stepped and delivered a key kill and block.

"She is the best player in our division and probably in the entire MAC," Welser said. "It's tough to contain her be-

cause she is so talented, but our girls did their best."

The Blue Devils fell behind early in game four and could never get back momentum.

Srebernak had eight kills, five blocks and four aces, while Buslepp had 25 assists, five kills and 11 digs to lead the Blue Devils.

Grosse Pointe South dropped to 1-2 in the Blue Division and 8-6 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Lockhart sees steady improvement

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

Don't let appearances fool you.

Despite an 8-12 start to the campaign, the Grosse Pointe North girls volleyball squad is improving.

"We're only returning two starters," head coach Kim Lockhart explained. "So we're learning and getting more experience as the season goes on. I think we're progressing and right now we're really working on our consistency."

North, according to Lockhart, has looked brilliant at times, but other times looked like an inexperienced team.

"I've seen how well we can play, so I know the potential is

there," Lockhart said. "I really think it's more about our mental toughness than anything else. We just need to get tougher mentally."

Playing in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division can help develop this toughness. The division is very tough and there simply aren't any easy matches.

"It is a tough division," the coach admitted. "That always seems to help us once the postseason comes around, but during the regular season it's a competitive division."

"It's a difficult thing because we want to build some confidence on this team. Even the tournaments we've played in have been very competitive. Playing all these tough matches makes it harder to get confidence."

Although close matches and narrow defeats does hamper confidence-building, these tough matches will undoubtedly help the Norsemen in the long run, as will the leadership of senior Maggie Tignanelli.

"She's been playing for me since her freshman year. She knows what's expected, as do the other girls who have played for me before," Lockhart said. "The rest of the team is still learning this."

Learning is the key for a talented North squad, which has loads of potential.

"I think by the end of the season, once we get over the hump," the coach explained. "We're going to be a tough team to beat."

The coach hopes an upcoming home stand will help the

team turn the corner. The Norsemen are coming off a tough loss at Macomb Dakota that went five games.

"We play better at home," Lockhart admitted. "That's why this stretch we have coming up here at home can really be good for us."

The stretch, which kicked off Sept. 29 against Marysville and wraps up Oct. 15 against Dakota, pits the Norsemen against five very talented programs including Fraser, Port Huron Northern and L'Anse Creuse.

"I really believe we're going to be tough to beat," Lockhart said. "And I really believe we have a chance to win a district and regional championship this year. We've got a lot of work to do, but we have the potential to do it."

Girls golf

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Boyle's 39 leads South to victory

Grosse Pointe South's girls' golf team beat Utica Eisenhower 172-206 last week, improving to 6-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Claire Boyle was the medalist, shooting a 39 at Cherry Creek Golf Club.

Last weekend, the Blue Devils hosted its annual Plum Brook Invitational. Rochester

Hills Stoney Creek won with a 314, followed by Port Huron Northern at 339, Grosse Pointe South at 339 (lost the tiebreaker), Bedford at 343, Macomb Lutheran North at 372 and Walled Lake Western at 462.

"All of the girls are really looking forward to the last few weeks of the season," assistant coach Chris Bouda said.

— Bob St. John

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen rally to finish .500

Grosse Pointe North's girls' golf team ended its nine-hole division slate last week, beating Sterling Heights Stevenson and Romeo.

Katlin O'Shea and Courtney Wickham each shot a 45 to lead the Norsemen by Stevenson, 198-221, at Sycamore Hills.

Nikki Radulovich had a 52 and Emily Doyal added a 56 for the Norsemen.

Head coach Brian Stackpoole watched his squad

reach the .500 mark by beating Romeo 210-211 at Heather Hills.

Radulovich shot a career-low 48 to pace the squad. Wickham was the medalist, shooting a 41. The Norsemen's other scorers were Paige Micks with a 55, Doyal with a 56 and Jenna Pagino with a 56.

North finished 5-5 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and overall.

— Bob St. John

GOLF INSTRUCTION

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TGA of Macomb and Grosse Pointes has expanded its after-school golf programs from four to six Grosse Pointe elementary schools.

Fall classes are offered at Trombly and Poupard Mondays, Monteith Tuesdays, Kerby and Defer Wednesdays and Ferry Thursdays.

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Boys soccer

LIGGETT

Knights keep pace in MLAC

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach David Backhurst saw the best and worst from his Liggett boys soccer team last week.

The Knights opened with a dominating 4-0 win over Allen Park Inter-City Baptist and followed that with a disappointing 2-0 loss to Lutheran Westland.

"I think our kids were a little overconfident heading into the Westland game after taking it to Inter-City Baptist," Backhurst said. "We were a step slow the entire game and it finally caught up to us when they scored on us twice in the second half."

"I'm not happy with our play and I hope this is an eye-opener for the guys because we can't play like this and expect to win."

The host Knights couldn't generate any momentum against Lutheran Westland and defensively the Warriors had the better scoring opportuni-

ties.

In the road victory at Inter-City Baptist, senior Joey Shannon had two goals with senior Dan Zukas and junior Dominic Jamett netting one tally apiece.

"I hope this is a wakeup call and we play better against Roeper," Backhurst said. "This wasn't a good game and we need a better showing."

Backhurst's message was heard loud and clear as the Knights beat Bloomfield Hills Roeper 2-1 last weekend.

The visitors scored first, but the Knights came back with the next two goals, including Rory Deane's tally with only five seconds left in the opening half.

"That was a pretty goal from about 30 yards out," Backhurst said. "It was a scoreless second half and good half of soccer. It got a little tight near the end, but we won the game."

Liggett improved to 5-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 8-3-1 overall.



Senior Dan Zukas scored a goal in the Knights' division victory over Inter-City Baptist.

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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils in division race

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Stefan Harris' word is clear, score more goals.

For the past few games, Harris has seen his Grosse Pointe South soccer team's offense dry up, despite creating golden opportunities to score.

It was evident in last week's scoreless tie with visiting Fraser.

"We have great chances to score and shots on the door step, but the guys aren't finishing," Harris said. "They have to start scoring more goals if we want the division title."

"This tie hurt those chances, but we have big games ahead of us that will make a difference. It's a matter of focus and our focus isn't where it needs to be."

In their first 10 games, the Blue Devils have scored three goals twice, one goal six times and zero goals twice.

The Blue Devils followed with a 1-1 tie with L'Anse

Creuse North, a 5-0 loss to Romeo and a 1-0 win over St. Clair Shores Lakeview Monday night.

"This was a huge road win for us," Harris said. "The conditions weren't very good and we had to go into the wind in the first half, but we found a way to win against a well-coached team."

Tom Shields scored the games only goal and the defense held the host Huskies to only seven shots on net.

Despite getting only seven shots, one came in the latter part of the second half that was a couple of feet from a sprawled out goalie Adam Llorens.

He quickly reached out to stop the shot that hit him right in the chest. It was the save of the game that preserved the win.

"Adam has been making those saves all season," Harris said.

South improved to 3-1-4 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 6-3-4 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen still hanging tough through struggles

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The effort is there, the patience is there, but the end result isn't for Grosse Pointe North's boys' soccer team.

On a cold, windy and misty Monday afternoon, the host

Norsemen lost 2-1 to Utica Ford. For head coach Chris Alston, it was the second game this season that he coached against his former team.

"We just couldn't put the ball in the net and it has been like that the entire season," Alston said. "We're doing things differ-

ent than the guys did in the past and I told them it will take time.

"It's not going to happen overnight and I'm stressing patience."

The Norsemen trailed 2-0 before Ben Schrieber scored with 1:20 left in the game. They couldn't get another shot on net

during the remaining 80 seconds.

"That was a perfect goal with perfect execution from everyone involved," Alston said. "We just can't do that on a consistent basis and it's a little frustrating because the captains are trying their hardest to lead this

team and they're doing a nice job.

"We're young and hungry and I know we're heading in the right direction, but it's taking a little longer than anticipated."

In other recent action, the Norsemen lost 7-0 to Chippewa

Valley, which has only one loss on the season.

Grosse Pointe North is 0-6 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 2-11-1 overall.

Coming up for the Norsemen is the final division games Oct. 5 and Oct. 7.

Girls field hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH, LIGGETT

Squads battle division foes

Grosse Pointe South's girls' field hockey team lost 3-0 at defending state champ Ann Arbor Huron last week, falling to 1-4 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 1.

"We played a very good ball possession and movement team," assistant coach Sergei Lie said. "Although we had some very good break-aways and five corners in the second half, we lost."

The Blue Devils are 5-4-1 overall.

Liggett

The Liggett girls' field hockey team dropped its division record to 0-2-1 last week after losing 6-2 to Ann Arbor Pioneer and tying Birmingham Marian 1-1.

Head coach Tamara Fobare and her Knights are playing tough in the Michigan High School Field Hockey

Association's toughest division.

The six goals were the most the Knights have given up this season and in their other seven games combined, they have given up only seven goals.

Next on the slate is a home-and-home series against defending state champ Ann Arbor Huron Thursday, Oct. 1, at home and Monday, Oct. 5, on the road.

Liggett is 4-2-2 overall.

— Bob St. John

COMMUNITY SUPPORT



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Go get 'em

Grosse Pointe South families showed they were ready for the big rivalry gridiron game between North and South by displaying signs of support with their respective son's number on them. A look around the front lawns of houses in the south end of the Pointes would total 61 varsity players. The number on this sign is that of junior running back/defensive back Jerren Goodwyn.

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didn't play bad, but we didn't play as well as we had to. That (North) is a very good football team. You just can't make the mistakes and have the turnovers we had. You just can't."

North tacked on a pair of scores in the closing quarter to seal the victory, and push the winning streak against South to seven in a row.

"You know, we've gotten to six in a row before," Sumnera said. "But we weren't able to get that seventh one. Now we have. I'm really happy for the school, the students, the alumni, everybody at North."

More than a game

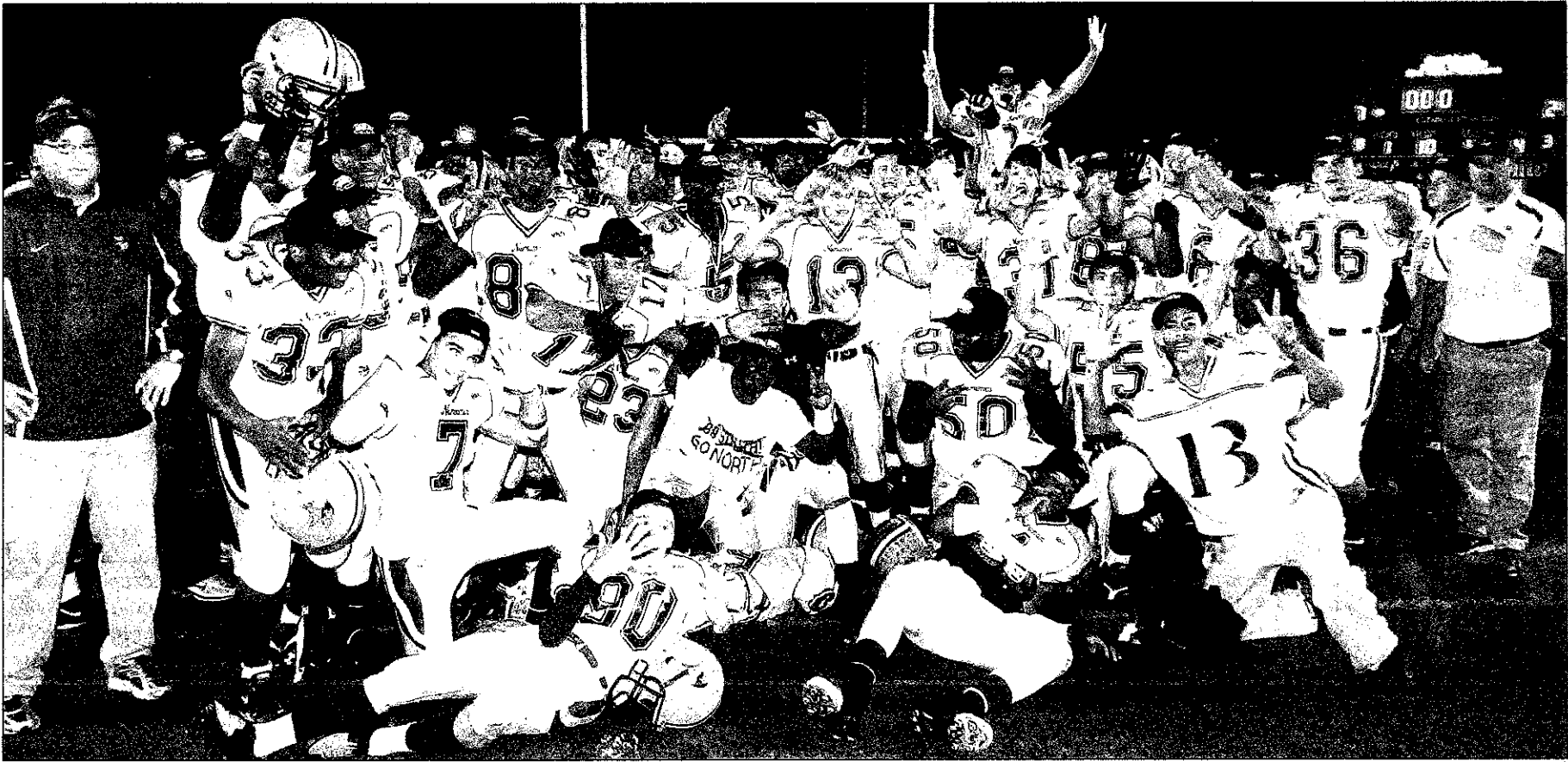
As fans steadily flowed into the stadium, the intensity and enjoyment the rivalry brings was obvious. South fans accepted blue and gold beads being handed out. North fans proudly wore their green and yellow, and students squeezed into sections of the bleachers reserved solely for the student body.

"This is just so much fun," Sandra Collins explained. "I've lived here my whole life and I think I've been to a dozen of these games over the years. It's really an enjoyable rivalry."

Collins was one of thousands who came to cheer on their team.

"I haven't had any kids or grandkids in school for more than 10 years," Jack Custus, 78, said. "But where else would you rather be tonight? This whole atmosphere is great. I've got friends who sent their kids to North and I sent my kids to South. This game is for bragging rights. It really is."

The rivalry is so noteworthy that Kentucky-based greatamericanrivalry.com named this rivalry as one of the



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe North's players and coaches celebrate after beating city rival Grosse Pointe South. It's the seventh straight win for the Norsemen in this series.

32 best in the entire country, even going so far as to erect giant blow-up footballs and present the winning team with a trophy.

"It's a great rivalry in a great community," Ryan Mosser, greatamericanrivalry.com's coordinator said. "How could we not include this as one of the 32 best rivalries in the country? We couldn't, of course."

The rivalry is storied and long-standing, dating back to 1969.

The game brings alumni out and conjures up some long-forgotten school spirit, South grad Andrea Kauffman, 46, admitted.

"I feel like a high school kid again," she smiled. "I'm jumping up and down every time South makes a good play. This is the first game I've been to, well, in probably 25 years. I'm having a blast."

"Kids remember this game," Sumnera, the long-time coach, said. "That says a lot about how big this game is."



Grosse Pointe South players are hyped up running onto the field moments before kickoff against rival North.

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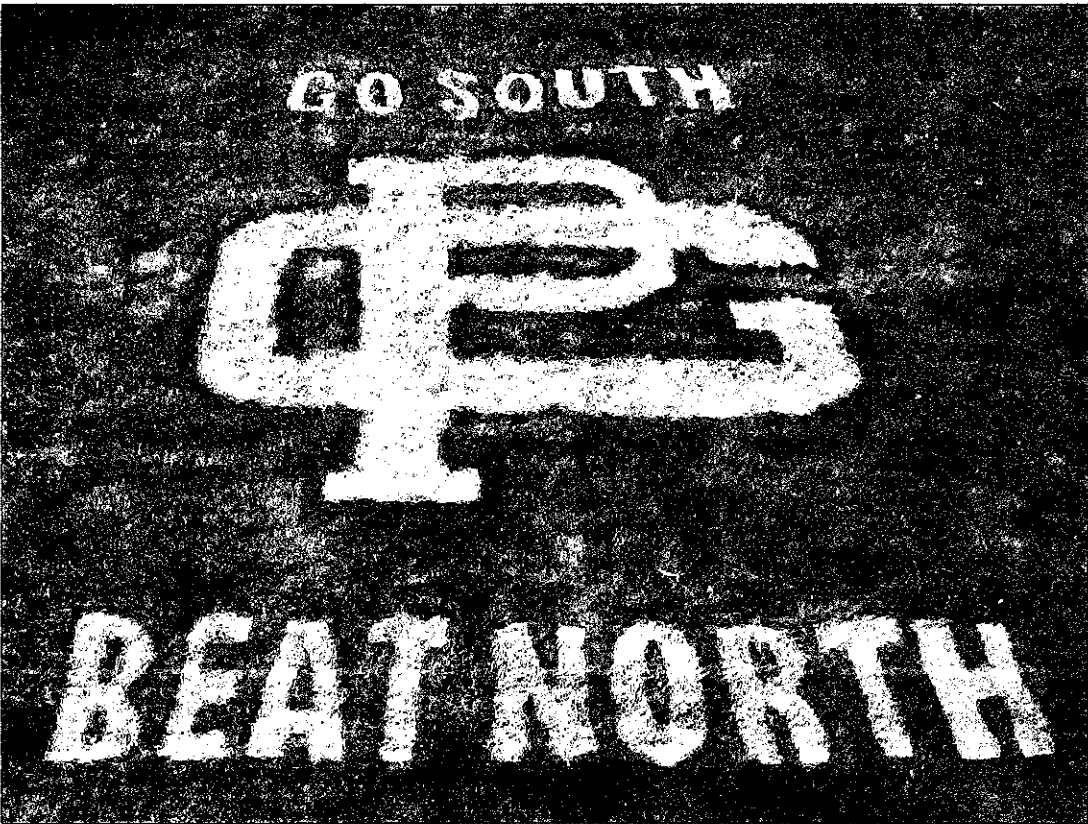


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School spirit

Grosse Pointe South families tried their best to get the Blue Devils pumped up for the big city rivalry with Grosse Pointe North by painting a sign on their front lawn. In the end, it was North who beat South in a game watched by a standing-room only crowd.

LIGGETT

Knights battle, but fall

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Liggett football team has passed its test with still four games left in the season.

The Knights are playing with a passion and poise well beyond the level of a first-year team.

Last weekend, the Knights lost 34-9 to Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, but head coach Dan Cimini came away with more positive vibes.

"I thought we played them nose-to-nose," he said. "It was the hardest we tackled this season, but we gave them too many possessions which they turned into touchdowns."

Turnovers doomed the visi-

tors, who did take a 3-0 lead on the opening possession of the game after senior Dan Zukas kicked a short field goal.

"We drove right down the field and did everything right on that drive," Cimini said. "It was great to see the guys execute so well against a good team."

Parkway Christian scored the next two touchdowns to grab a 14-3 halftime lead and it extended it to 21-3 after the first possession of the third quarter.

The Knights got into the end zone one more time when freshman quarterback Nate Gaggin hit senior running back Jake Goldberg with a 15-yard touchdown pass. The two-

point conversion was missed.

Zukas did a solid job of holding Parkway Christian's all-state player Anthony Johnson in check. He didn't score a TD until late in the game. He scored six TDs the previous game.

"Our guys are feeling good about this team and they're a family," Cimini said. "The scores aren't indicative of how hard these guys are playing each and every game."

Liggett dropped to 1-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 1-4 overall.

Coming up next for the Knights is a 7 p.m. game Friday, Oct. 2, at Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, who leads the MIAC.

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3 family garage and estate sale. Mahogany dining room chairs, Paul Bunyan headboard, tables/ chairs, wicker, designer clothes, mirrors, paintings, good stuff. 85 Lakeshore Lane (off Lakeshore Drive). Friday/ Saturday, October 2/ 3, 9am-3pm.

STERLING Heights, 14716 Hillsdale. (Hayes/ Saul), October 2- 4; 9am-5pm. Furniture, antique bedroom, better women's plus size clothing, household and decorative items.

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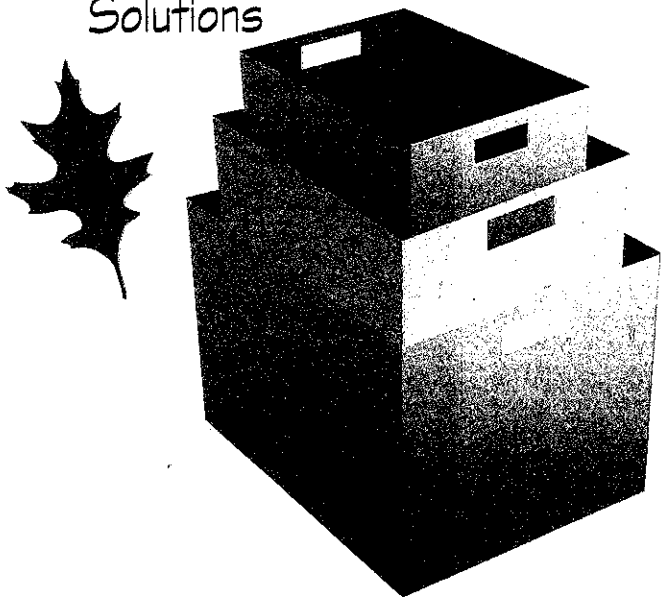
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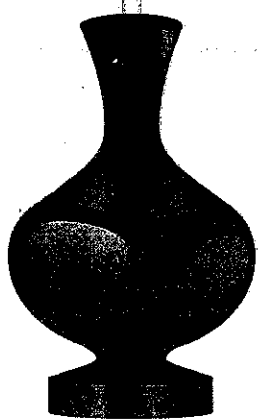
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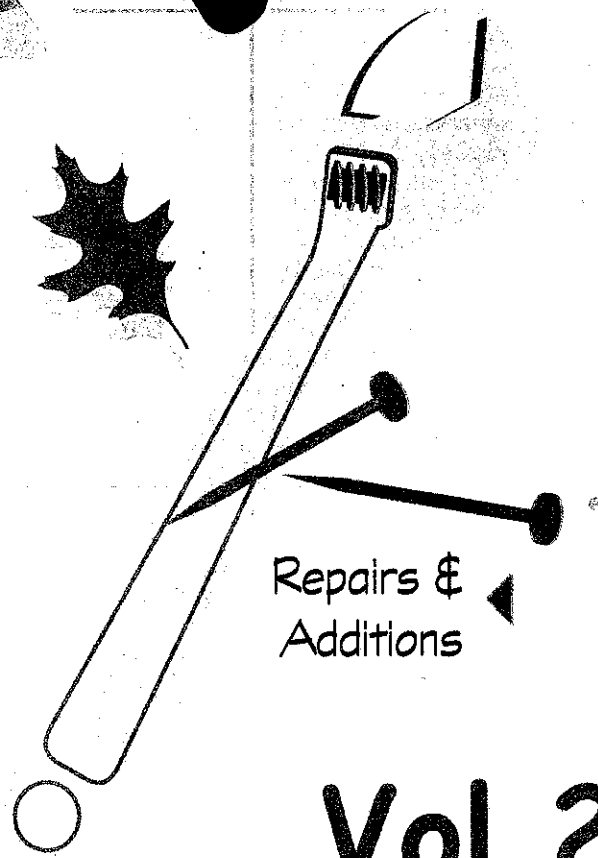
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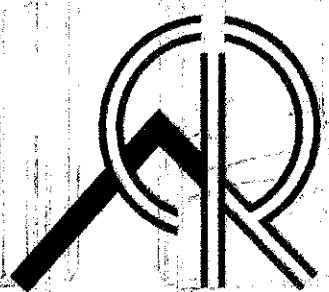


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Homemade cleaners safer alternatives: Reducing the risk

This is part two in a three-part series.

Michigan State University Extension offers the following homemade cleaners:

One of the best means of avoiding exposure to household hazardous materials is to use safer alternatives whenever possible.

Following are time-honored recipes and suggestions to help make the switch toward safer household products.

Some ingredients recommended as alternatives are safer, but not nontoxic. These ingredients have been marked with an asterisk.

Making simple and effective products is fun and economical.

Floor Cleaners and Polishes

• **Vinegar.** A few drops in the cleaning water will help remove grease particles. Dull, greasy film on no-wax linoleum can be washed away with 1/2 cup white vinegar mixed into 1/2 gallon water.

• **Linoleum:** Damp mop using a mild detergent and water for day-to-day cleaning. Keep water away from seams and edges to prevent loosening of the tiles. To preserve the linoleum floor, add a capful of baby oil to the mop water.

• **Wood floors:** Mix a 1-1 ratio of oil and vinegar into a solution and apply a thin coat. Rub in well.

• **Painted wooden floors:** Mix 1 teaspoon washing soda* into 1 gallon hot water and wash

the floor with a mop, sponge, or soft bristled brush. This solution can also be used to remove mildew.

• **Rubber tiles:** Avoid oils, solvents and strong alkalis as they will harm the surface. Wash with clear water, a mild detergent and a clean mop.

• **Brick and stone floors:** Mix 1 cup white vinegar into 1 gallon water. Scrub the floor with a brush and the vinegar solution. Rinse with clean water.

• **Ceramic tile:** Mix 1/4 cup white vinegar — more if very dirty — into 1 gallon water. This solution removes most dirt without scrubbing and doesn't leave a film. Washing ceramic tiles with soap does not work very well in hard water areas, as it leaves an insoluble film.

• **Club soda.** Polishing the floor with club soda will make it sparkle.

• **Oil soap.** Use according to package directions.

Wax remover

• **For vinyl and asbestos tiles:** Club soda. Remove wax buildup by pouring a small amount of club soda on a section. Scrub this in well. Let it soak in a few minutes and wipe clean.

• **For linoleum flooring:** To remove old wax by mopping, mix a solution of three parts water to one part rubbing alcohol*. Scrub in well and rinse thoroughly. Be sure the area is well-ventilated and wear gloves.

Special Problems

To remove black heel marks: Rub the heel mark with a paste of baking soda and water. Don't use too much water or the baking soda will lose its abrasive quality.

• To remove tar: Scrape up excess tar with the side of a dull knife. Rub again with a fingernail, ice cream stick or anything that won't scratch the floor. Wipe up the tar with a dry cloth.

• To remove crayon marks: Crayon marks on the floor may be removed by rubbing them with a damp cloth containing toothpaste. Toothpaste will not work well on wallpaper or porous surfaces.

• To remove grease from wood floors: If grease is spilled on a wood floor, immediately place an ice cube or very cold water on the spot. The grease will harden and can be scraped off with a knife. Then iron a piece of cloth over the grease spot.

Furniture Polish

The idea behind furniture polish for wood products is to absorb oil into the wood. Many oils commonly found in the kitchen work very well.

• **Vegetable oil or olive oil and lemon juice.** Mix two parts oil and one part lemon juice. Apply and polish with a soft cloth. This leaves furniture looking and smelling good.

• **For unfinished wood:** Apply sparingly with a soft cloth. For lemon oil polish, dissolve 1 teaspoon lemon oil into 1 pint mineral oil*.

Caution: Mineral spirits should never be substituted for mineral oil, as it can be dangerous when inhaled or absorbed through the skin.

• **For mahogany:** Mix equal parts white vinegar and warm water. Wipe onto wood and polish with a chamois cloth.

Special problems

• **For grease spots:** Immediately pour salt on the grease spot to absorb grease and prevent staining.

• **For scratches:** Mix equal parts of lemon juice and salad oil. Rub into scratches with a soft cloth until scratches disappear.

• **For water spots:** To remove water marks, rub gently with toothpaste on a damp cloth.

• **For washing wood:** Dampen cloth with a solution of water and mild soap, such as Ivory or Murphy's Oil Soap. Wring the cloth almost dry and wipe the furniture section by section, drying with a clean dry cloth as it's done so no section stays wet.

• **For refinishing old furniture:** Commercial oil soap. Before working on an old piece of furniture with chemical finish removers, try vegetable oil soap. This nontoxic solvent may be all the help an antique needs. Follow label directions.

Laundry products

• **White vinegar.** Eliminate soap residue by adding 1 cup of white vinegar to the washer's final rinse. Vinegar is too mild to harm fabrics, strong enough to dissolve alkalies in soaps and detergents. Vinegar also breaks down uric acid, so adding 1 cup vinegar to the rinse water is especially good for babies' clothes. To get wool and cotton blankets soft and fluffy, add 2 cups white vinegar to a full tub of rinse water.

Do not use vinegar if chlorine bleach is added to the rinse water. It will produce harmful vapors.

• **Baking soda.** One-fourth to 1/2 cup baking soda per wash load makes clothes feel soft and smell fresh.

• **Dry bleach.*** Dry bleaches containing sodium perborate are of low toxicity — unless in strong solution, then they can be irritating to the skin. Use according to package directions.

• **Baking soda.** Cut the amount of chlorine bleach used in the wash by half by adding 1/2 cup baking soda to top loading machines or 1/4 cup to front loaders.

• **Vinegar.** To remove smoky odor from clothes, fill the bathtub with hot water. Add 1 cup white vinegar. Hang garments above the steaming bath water.

• **Cornstarch.** For homemade laundry starch, dissolve 1 tablespoon cornstarch in 1 pint cold water. Place in a spray bottle. Shake before using. Clearly label the contents of the spray bottle.

Pest Control

Beneficial predators around the house include frogs, spi-



ders, ladybugs, praying mantis and dragonflies. Keeping these helpful creatures around can help reduce pest populations. Rid the house of ants

• **Vinegar.** Wash countertops, cabinets, and floor with equal parts vinegar and water to deter ant infestations.

• **Flour and Borax.*** Mix 1 cup flour and 2 cups borax in a quart jar. Punch holes in the jar lid. Sprinkle the contents around the house foundation. Keep borax out of the reach of children and pets.

• **Bonemeal or powdered charcoal or lemon.** Set up barriers where ants are entering. They will generally not cross lines of bonemeal or powdered charcoal. Find a hole where ants are entering the house, squeeze the juice of a lemon in the hole or crack. Then slice up the lemon and put the peeling all around the entrance.

• **Pennyroyal,* spearmint, southernwood, and tansy.** Growing these plants around the border of your house will deter ants and the aphids they carry.

Fleas

• **Vacuum.** Vacuum, remove the bag, seal it, and dispose of it immediately outside the house.

• **Vinegar.** A ratio of 1 teaspoon vinegar to 1 quart water — per 40 pounds of pet weight — in their drinking water helps to keep pets free of fleas and ticks.

• **Fennel, rosemary, red cedar shavings,* sassafras,* eucalyptus,* or pennyroyal.*** Spread leaves or shavings of these plants under and around the pet's bed.

Flies

• **Prevention:** Keep kitchen garbage tightly closed. Sprinkle dry soap or Borax into garbage cans after they've been washed and allowed to dry; it acts as a repellent.

• **Orange.** Scratch the skin of an orange and leave it out; the citrus acts as a repellent.

• **Cloves.** Hang clusters of cloves to repel flies.

• **Mint or basil.** Mint planted around the house repels flies. A pot of basil set on the windowsill or table helps to repel flies. Keep basil well-watered from the bottom so it produces a stronger scent. Dried ground leaves left in small bowls or hung in muslin bags are also effective.

• **Sugar and corn syrup.** Make fly paper by boiling sugar, corn syrup, and water together. Place mixture onto brown paper and hang or set out.

Mice

• **Mashed potato powder or buds.** Place instant mashed potato powder or buds in strategic places with a dish of water close by. After eating the powder or buds mice will need water. This causes fatal bloating.

• **Mouse traps.** Use according to label directions.

Moles

• **Castor oil* and liquid detergent.** Whip together 1 tablespoon castor oil and 2 tablespoons liquid detergent in a blender until the mixture is like shaving cream. Add 6 tablespoons water and whip again. Keep this mixture out of the reach of children and pets. Take a garden sprinkling can and fill with warm water. Add 2 tablespoons of the oil mixture and stir. Sprinkle immediately over the areas of greatest mole infestation. For best results, apply after a rain or thorough watering. If moles are drawn to the lawn because of the grubs feeding in the soil, both pests can be rid of by spreading milky spore disease to kill the grubs.

Mosquitoes

• **Prevention.** Encourage natural predators such as dragonflies or praying mantises. Eliminate pools of stagnant water. Avoid wearing perfume, bright colors, flowery prints and bright jewelry as these items attract mosquitoes.

• **Citronella.** Burn citronella

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candles to repel insects.

• Tansy or Basil. Plant tansy or basil around the patio and house to repel mosquitoes.

Moths

Moths that can be

seen aren't the ones

to worry about.

Moths that cause

damage to clothes are too small to notice. It is the larvae of these moths that eat fabric.

• Store items in a clean condition; moth larvae especially like areas soiled with food stains.

• Rosemary, mint, thyme, cloves and ginseng. Chicago area weavers and spinners use 1/2 pound rosemary; 1/2 pound mint; 1/4 pound thyme; 1/4 pound ginseng, optional; and 2 tablespoons cloves. Mix and put in cheesecloth bags and place in closets or drawers.

• Dried lavender or rosemary and mint. Make sachets of dried lavender or equal portions of rosemary and mint. Place in closets, drawers, or closed containers to mothproof garments.

• Rosemary, sage, mint, dried lemon peel and cinnamon. Mix handfuls of first three ingredients. Add a little lemon peel and a pinch of cinnamon. Place in muslin bags.

• Molasses, vinegar and yellow container. To trap moths, mix one pan molasses with two pans vinegar and place in a yellow container to attract moths. Clean regularly.

• Clothes dryer. Kill moth eggs by running garment through a warm dryer.

Roaches

• Close off all gaps around pipes and electric lines where roaches enter the house by using cement or screening. Caulk small cracks along baseboards, walls, cupboards and around pipes, sinks and bathtub fixtures. Seal food tightly. Rinse

food off dishes that are left overnight. Do not leave pet food out overnight.

• Cut hedge apples (osage orange) in half and place several in the basement, around in

cabinets or under the house to repel roaches.

• Mix together 2 tablespoons flour; 4

tablespoons Borax*, and 1 tablespoon cocoa. Set the mixture out in dishes.

Caution: Borax is toxic if eaten. Keep out of reach of children and pets.

• Mix 1/2 cup Borax* and 1/4 cup flour and fill a glass jar. Punch small holes in jar lid. Sprinkle powder along baseboards and doorsills.

Caution: Borax is toxic if eaten. This recipe should not be used if there are young children or pets in the house.

• Mix equal pans of oatmeal, flour and plaster of Paris. Set mixture in dishes. Keep out of reach of children and pets.

• Mix equal pans of baking soda and powdered sugar, and spread around infested area. Slugs and snails

• Natural predators such as gardener snakes, grass snakes, ground beetles, box turtles, salamanders, ducks, and larvae of lightning bugs all feed on snails.

• Place overturned clay flower pots near the shady side of a plant. Rest one edge on a small twig or make sure the ground is irregular enough for slugs and snails to crawl under the rim. They will collect there during the warmest time of day. Remove slugs and snails regularly and drop in a bucket of soapy water.

• Snails avoid protective borders of sand, lime, or ashes.

• Protect young plants by encircling them with a tin can with both ends removed. Push the bottom end of the can into the soil.



Festive fall outdoor living tips

Maximizing outdoor living spaces was all the rage this summer.

As the temperature cools this fall, Brad Staggs, HGTVPro.com and DIY show producer and host and licensed contractor, has some festive ideas to help homeowners continue this trend into the fall.

"People tend to associate their outdoor living space as a fun place during the spring and summer," said Staggs.

"There are so many ways to extend the use of your outdoor living area well into fall too — it's a great time to get outside with family and friends and enjoy the cooler weather and beautiful fall colors."

Here are a few ideas for enjoying your outdoor living space during fall:

• Gardens: Even the pickiest children will agree broccoli, cabbage and spinach taste better fresh from the gar-

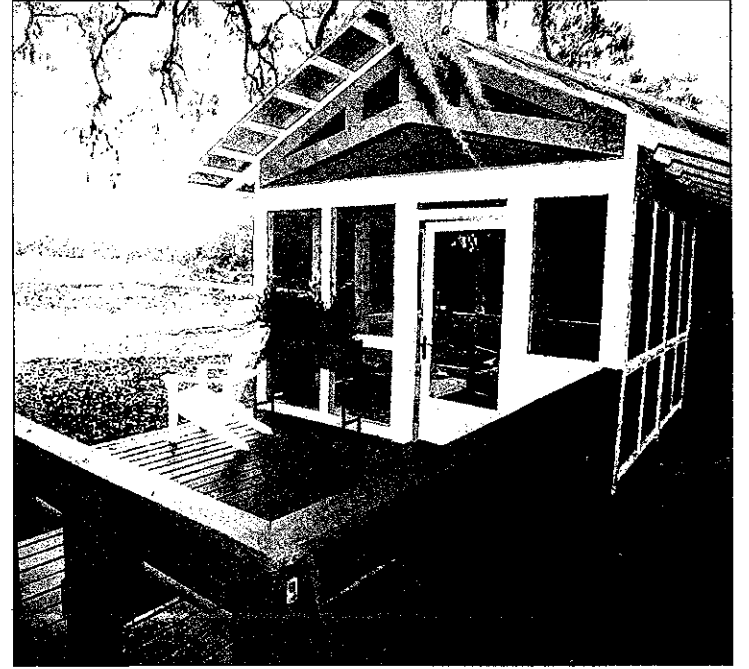
den. Build a raised garden bed to make the task easier, and consider growing a few pumpkins for Halloween.

• Decks: Even though summer's gone, there's no need to abandon outdoor entertaining on a wood deck. Add some cushions and pillows in rich fall hues to the deck furniture and incorporate decorations for the favorite football team. Then one is ready to have a fall cookout.

• Seating: Build a couple of Adirondack chairs and a garden bench to place around a fire pit and get ready to toast marshmallows with the family on cool nights.

Before working on a project, do some homework when it comes to choosing building products. The market is flooded with options, find out which one is right.

"It's always a good idea to use treated lumber in projects that will be exposed to ground contact or outdoor elements on



The fall is a great time to be outdoors. Enjoy the foliage and crisp air while relaxing in an Adirondack chair on a wood deck.

a consistent basis," Staggs said. "In fact, check your local building codes: some require the use of treated lumber — which actually works out well for you, the homeowner."

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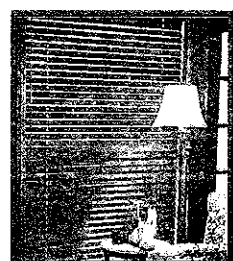


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Finding the right caulk

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Q. I discovered some small cracks in the wood frames of my back door and windows. A friend told me an easy fix is to just caulk over the cracks. But at the hardware store, I found several different types of caulk. Which is the best to use on outside wood frames?

— DIY in Ohio

A. Each type of caulk available at your local home improvement store has somewhat different properties — even though their main purpose is to create a durable seal against the elements.

Here's a short guide to the different types:

- Acrylic latex: An all-around caulk with an acrylic base that's easy to work with. Keep a tube of it around for any job where the area normally stays dry — it's also the best for small cracks in wood trim. Cleans up with water.

- Vinyl latex (polyvinyl ac-

etate): Another all-around caulk that can be used in wet areas, like the tub or shower.

- Butyl rubber: Harder to apply, but good for outdoor use — including sealing window frames, gutter and downspout seams — because of its ability to flex with changes in temperature and its weather resistance.

- Silicone: Perhaps the strongest bonding caulk available but it doesn't hold paint at all. Colored silicone caulk is available. Make sure the work area is well-ventilated. Clean excess silicone using rubbing alcohol.

- Oil-based: This is the least expensive caulk you can purchase, and you get what you pay for. Once the oil has leached from the material — which happens in a couple years depending on where it is used — the caulking dries, shrinks and crumbles out of the cracks.

Tip: To prevent the tip of a caulking tube from drying out between uses, wipe the outside

clean, poke a nail inside the tip to clear it, then cover the tip with a slip-on pencil eraser or an electrical cap.

Q. Our first floor recently was flooded during a period of heavy rain. We've since cleaned up, dried out all the furniture and replaced the area rugs — there are no carpets on the first floor. However, there is a mold smell throughout the house. I thought we had taken care of all the wet areas. Any ideas?

— Tamara C., DeBary, Fla.

A. Water damage can be tough to completely repair. You've dried out your floors and the furniture appears dry, but there may be some hidden areas of the house that haven't been addressed.

Double check your furniture: Moisture could have been wicked up through the cloth all the way through the padding. If the furniture has a wood frame, the wood beneath the padding may have stayed wet despite the cloth drying out. Additional drying sessions may be needed, or you can contact a furniture restoration specialist for tips.

The walls themselves may also be culprits. Check the base of the walls as high as the water went — if there is wallpaper covering the area, peel back a one-foot section of the paper to see the drywall beneath.

Drywall is susceptible to mold after severe flooding.

Check any area of your home that doesn't see much traffic, such as the crawlspace under the house, garage, storage closets and so on. Look for standing water or excess moisture, and dry out those spots.

Finally, check your air conditioning and ventilation system — the outside unit may have been flooded and not dried out completely, or mold may be present inside the vents. An HVAC contractor can help clean the system.

Visible, surface mold can be quickly removed by wiping with a rag dipped in a half-and-half solution of bleach and water. Wear rubber gloves, goggles and dust mask while doing this. However, if mold has set in to drywall or wood paneling, that section of drywall or paneling must be replaced.

Meantime, place a dehumidifier on your first floor to reduce the overall humidity and retard growth of mold spores.

Tip: The Environmental Protection Agency provides details and more tips on preventing and repairing mold problems. Visit epa.gov/mold/moldresources.html.

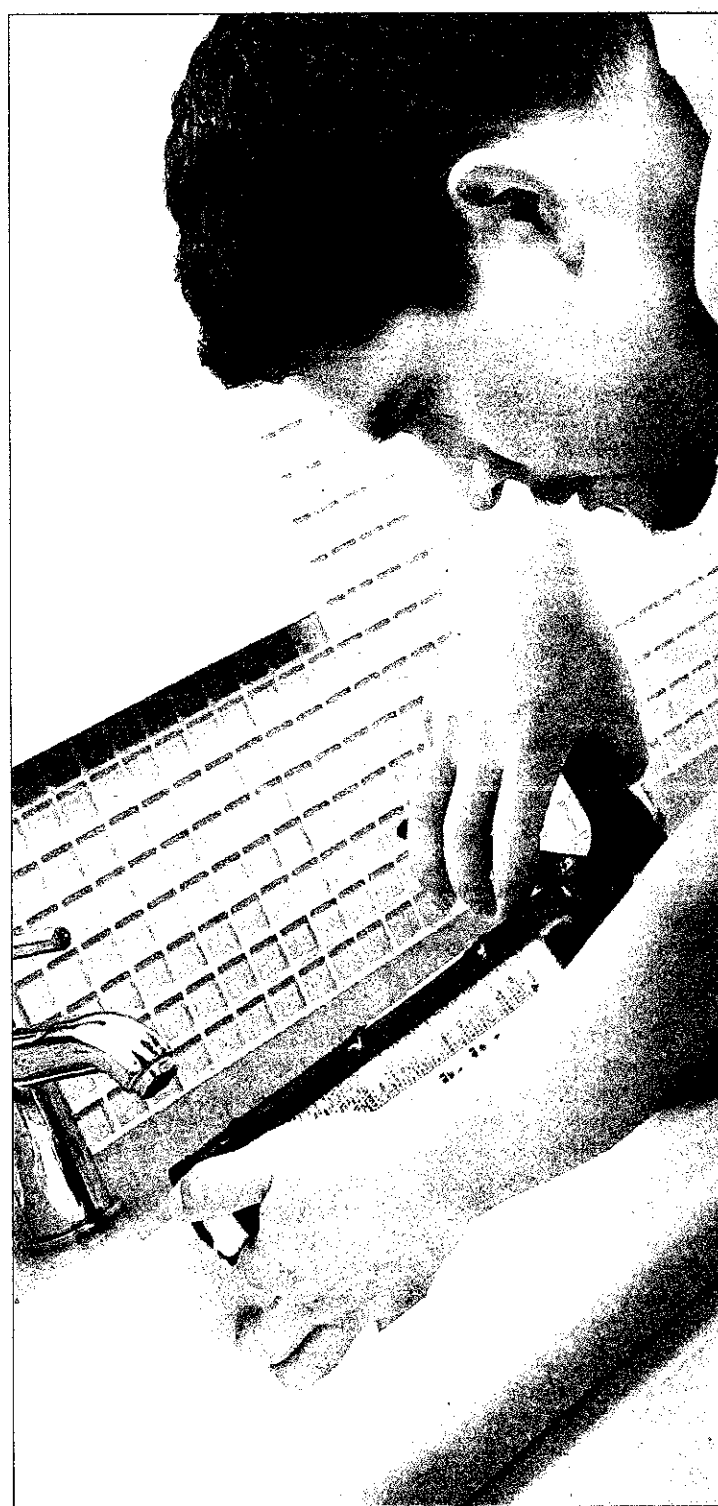
Q. It doesn't seem to matter whether I open or close the registers in my rooms — my house is constantly too cold in some spots and too hot in others. The insulation seems fine, and the heater is working fine. I change the filter every two months. What else can I check?

— John P., Worcester, Mass.

A. You may be able to further balance a forced-air heating system if dampers have been installed within the delivery air ducts leading to the registers. Check along the air duct run as far as possible to locate air dampers. These are indicated by a wing nut installed directly in the duct that does not seem to be joining anything.

If this wing nut is perpendicular to the duct, the damper is closed, restricting airflow. Use a screwdriver or manually turn the wing nut parallel to the duct, thereby opening the damper.

Try to locate as many of these dampers as possible. Working with a partner who is inside the living area of the house, find out where these ducts lead and if air flows or stops flowing to different areas of the house, depending on whether the damper is open or closed.



Label the damper. Using a permanent marker, write the duct's destination and mark what angles the wing nut should be at when closed and when open.

Using this method of opening or closing dampers in the air ducts, you can balance the heating system a bit better so additional warm air flows into colder areas of the house and is diverted from parts of the house that are too hot.

Tip: To save on heating costs, don't turn a thermostat to its highest setting hoping to quickly heat a room — keep it at a lower temperature setting and give the system about 20 minutes to bring the room up to a comfortable temperature.

Q. How do I get rid of the bald spots on my lawn? Also, there are patches of yellowed grass in places. What's the solution for that?

— Joey in Tennessee

A. Fall is a good time to fix the bare patches on your lawn. If you know what type of grass your lawn is, head for the home improvement store and pick up a bag of the same grass seed. If you're not sure what type, look for an all-purpose grass seed or seed mix.

On a day that's not too windy, seed the bare patches as follows:

- Clear away dead grass, stones, sticks and leaves from the bare spots.

- Use a thatch rake or pitchfork to puncture and loosen the soil, then level out the soil. You may need to add some dirt to level it.

- Spread the grass seed over each bare patch as the package directs. Cover the area well, but don't overdo it, as too much can lead to rotting.

- Water the area slightly and lightly tamp the seeds down, then scatter straw over the bare patch.

- Keep the soil damp over the next couple of weeks and wave away birds that will try to eat the seed.

Yellow spots are generally seen in areas that have too much nitrogen. What could possibly give one spot more nitrogen than another? One culprit: Dog urine. If you want a nice green lawn, don't let the dog go wherever it wants — walk Fido to a designated "go" spot away from the grass.

Another possibility, particularly in the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic, is a fungus called fusarium that flourishes in hot weather. To prevent fungus, don't over-fertilize your lawn, and de-thatch it every fall. If you suspect fungus, treat the spots with an appropriate fungicide.

Tip: To keep birds away from freshly seeded areas, put wooden stakes or sticks around the boundary, run string from stake to stake, and tie strips of aluminum foil to the string. It frightens the birds.

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Fight moisture problems around the house

Moisture is a problem with which many homeowners must contend.

If left untreated, even the smallest amount of condensation or leakage can lead to larger problems down the line.

Here are areas around the house where one might experience moisture, and how to contend with the situation:

Bathroom

Symptoms of problem areas in the bathroom are: Condensation on windows or toilet tank, mold between ceramic tiles, rotting window sills, damaged or bulging gypsum

board under windows, peeling paint or wallpaper and curling floor tiles.

The treatment: Turn on an exhaust fan or open a window. When done, towel-dry surfaces of the bath or shower stall.

Kitchen

Symptoms of problem areas in the kitchen are: Condensation on windows, ceilings and/or walls; peeling paint or curling tiles; and moisture under sinks or kitchen counters.

The treatment: Install and use a quiet kitchen exhaust fan vented to the outdoors when

cooking or running the dishwasher. Vent the stove to the outside when possible. Cover liquids and foods when simmering or boiling. Open cupboards occasionally to let heat in.

Basement

Symptoms of problem areas in the basement are: Wet or damp floors or walls, stains on the carpet, condensation on windows and rotting windowsills.

The treatment: Fix cracks and leaks in the basement. Repair the sump pump, making sure it has a tight-fitting

cover. Avoid using the basement as a storage space or a place to hang-dry wet clothing. Cover cold water pipes with insulation. Use a dehumidifier.

Bedroom

Symptoms of problem areas in the bedroom are: Condensation on windows, rotting or mold around windowsills and water dripping from ceiling fixtures.

The treatment: Leave the bedroom door open to promote circulation, or trim the bottom of the door to let air in. Open closet doors to allow air to circulate, or install louvered doors.



Fast, easy and inexpensive ways to improve a house

The speculation the coming year will be much better financially than 2009 has led some homeowners to begin seeking small home improvement projects.

There are several options for homeowners looking to

make inexpensive additions or improvements.

Here's how:

• Make a house more senior-friendly by installing easy-grip door handles, grab bars in the tub or near the toilet and faucets. This can be

completed on a weekend afternoon for about \$100 apiece.

• Make aesthetic improvements. Structural improvements are often the most expensive and require the largest time commitment. However, projects that are

purely aesthetic aren't very expensive and can be completed in a shorter period of time.

One easy project that can give the house a new feel is to work on the entryway. Painting the front door can create an entirely different look and first impression by visitors. It's also an easy and inexpensive project to undertake.

Another low-cost aesthetic

improvement is to power wash a vinyl sided house. Siding often collects mold, mildew and grime that requires the use of a power washer to remove. One can be rented inexpensively and a thorough power washing can be completed as a weekend project.

Painting the interior of the house can also add new life to a room that a homeowner has otherwise grown accustomed to or a room in which the paint

has begun to dull or chip.

• Clean up. For homeowners who have lived in the same house a long time, clutter has probably crept its way in and taken over certain areas. Clearing out this clutter can create whole new areas of the house, and unless the local sanitation department needs to be called to tote it all away, clearing out the clutter costs nothing except some time and effort on the weekend.

How to keep wildlife outside

Mice, squirrels, chipmunks, bats, birds and other wildlife may see a house as a quiet, safe and dry retreat anytime during the year.

When the cooler weather arrives, and animals are looking for burrows and nests to weather out the chill, a house may be especially attractive. An autumn project to undertake should involve keeping unwanted wildlife out of the house.

A house presents a number of entry points for animals. Having an animal nest or live in a house can be unsanitary and potentially dangerous, especially if the animal is startled or if they block the release of smoke or exhaust from the house.

Examining potential entrances and closing them up is key to keeping animals out.

Here's how:

• Chimney: A professionally installed chimney cap or a mesh hardware cloth can keep animals out of the chimney — a common entry place. Animals can transmit diseases through their droppings and block the release of smoke in a chimney, which are two potential hazards. A securely fitting cap or mesh covering can keep animals outdoors. Do not use window-screening material as it will clog with soot and other debris, causing a fire hazard.

• Attic exhaust fan opening: Many attics are equipped with an exhaust fan to vent hot air from under the roof. Animals can scurry through the opening of the exhaust pipe and into the attic itself. Attics are very attractive to animals because they tend to be warm and infrequently visited — a perfect place for a nest. A wire mesh hardware cloth securely fastened over the venting can keep animals out.

• Roof and soffits: Over time, weather and water can soften wood and create places where animals can gnaw or dig through. Routinely inspect the roof and wood areas of the house to check for weak areas that may need repair. Pay close attention to areas where gables or dormers meet the roof line.

• Drainage pipes: Homeowners with a sump pump or other drainage system may have pipes extending from a basement to the outdoors. Burrowing animals may find the exposed end of the pipe and enter the house through the drain. Wire mesh coverings secured to the end of the pipe will allow water to drain out, but not let an animal in.

• Window wells: Basement window wells offer areas where animals can spend time unnoticed gnawing away at loose trim or caulking to sneak past. A plastic covering or commercial grate can usually do the trick of securing the window well area.

• Fences and decking: Animals can dig under fences



Squirrels may decide to hibernate winter away in your house.

and take up roost in the yard, or they may live under decks. While not exactly inside of the house, they're sharing close proximity with homeowners and can be a nuisance.

Dig a trench at least 10 to 12 inches deep and place wire mesh inside. Attach the mesh to the bottom of the fence or deck. This may help keep some burrowing animals out.

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Put an end to squeaks underfoot

New houses, older houses — it seems no house is immune to squeaky floors.

Squeaky floors and staircases can be a nuisance. When one tip-toes to check on a sleeping child, they may wake the baby. They can also creak and squeak on their own.

Many times fixing a squeaky floor is not that difficult — requiring just a few basic tools and a bit of elbow grease.

The first thing to do is figure out which element of the floor is doing the squeaking. This can be done by asking someone to walk on the squeaking floor while someone else watches for movement below in the basement. Since many creaks are on the staircase, watching from below should be relatively easy.

A squeaky floor is typically caused by one of two things. First, there might be a gap between the joist and subflooring. If that's the case, simply drive a glue-coated shingle be-

tween the two.

Another common cause of squeaky floors is a sagging joist where the subfloor is flat. To combat this, cut off a piece of a two-by-four to extend it 12 inches beyond the gap on both sides. Then nail the cut piece to one side of the joist and the squeak should be alleviated.

If the floor can not be accessed from below, the squeak can still be fixed from above. Just be more careful so the floor still looks presentable after the repair.

There are squeak repair kits that consist of special break-away screws that can be driven into squeaky floorboards. Follow the instructions, as repairs can be made to hardwood and even floors under carpeting.

Squeaks on staircases can be caused by a number of reasons and are often more prevalent because of the number of wood parts that go into a staircase construction. Some glued

shims can usually remedy most squeaks.

Depending upon whether there is access from below, the shims may have to be installed from above and then trimmed with a utility knife to make sure they do not detract from the look of the staircase.

The floor could be squeaking for other reasons. Poor bridging could lead to squeaks coming from between the joists. The loose planks may need to be renailed and the bridging against the subfloor may need to be reinforced.

Floors that are damaged or not in very good condition may need to be replaced. A new finished floor install could be just what you need to remedy squeaks.

Flooring terms

- Bridging: Small wood or metal members inserted in a diagonal position between the floor joists at mid-span for the purpose of bracing the joists and spreading the load.

- Finish floor: The second layer of flooring material placed over the rough flooring or flooring planks in a structure, often a polished floor made of oak or other hardwoods.

- Joist: Any wooden, metal or concrete set parallel from wall to wall to support a floor.

- Pilot hole: A small-diameter, predrilled hole that guides a nail or screw.

- Ring-shank nails: Type of flooring nail that provides better holding power in wood products than smooth shank nails.

- Subfloor: The framing components of a floor, including the sill plate, floor joists and deck sheeting over which a finish floor is to be laid.



Simplest window coverings achieved with blinds, shutters

Creative Environments
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Windows to the left of us, windows to the right of us ... a blessing or a curse? I'd say a blessing. Let that sun shine in.

But what if the sun is blinding at certain times of the day? Here are some solutions.

The simplest, most uncluttered window coverings are achieved with blinds and shutters. They are relatively inexpensive and tend to work well on just about any fenestration. They are great by themselves as well as on top of draperies and/or valances.

Let's start with the roller blind. The springy thing has been popular since the 18th

century. You can even make one yourself if you are so inclined. If you're a make-it-yourselfer, be sure to use fabric that is tightly woven, flat and cotton. If the shade is to be used in the kitchen or bathroom, a waterproof fabric is a must. Plain blinds look good with a trim on the bottom. Try a fabric color that matches the wood trim around the window. Another idea is a pattern that matches something else in the room.

Roman blinds look similar to roller blinds when down, but have a pleated effect when up. There are also Roman blinds that can be sewn to maintain that pleated look when in the down position. These blinds

most often should be lined to keep them from looking limp or flimsy.

Austrian blinds hang straight when down, just as the simple Roman, but with a scalloped hem. When in the up position, they have a balloon effect. This is achieved by cords, which run through looped tape at the back. Festoon blinds are similar but not as full as Austrians. Both treatments have an ornate quality to them.

Venetian blinds are back. Well, they were never really gone in the first place, but they did use an alias — the mini blind. They are now being used in the original 1- and 2-inch widths as well as in the mini and micro mini sizes. These

blinds are available in aluminum slats as well as wood slats. Both kinds are available in a multitude of colors.


Shutters provide security, silence and a great look. When open, they don't restrict the window at all; and when closed, they are an attractive addition to the wall. Slat sizes vary from 1/2-inch to as much as 4 inches. The smaller the slat, the more traditional the look. The wider the slat, the more tropical the look. With all of these blinds, except the fabric ones, the great advantage you have is the control of light coming into the room.

You can adjust slats to let a little or a lot of light in. You can also slide the slats completely



up or out to the sides to let it all in. Isn't it nice to have options? Rosemary Sadez Friedmann is an interior designer in Naples, Fla., and author of "Mystery of Color."


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