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◆ Services for Older Citizens, now located in the Henry Ford Medical Center, 159 Kercheval, third floor, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers activities from 12:30 to 1 p.m., including playing cards, Scrabble or Wii and making a blanket.

SATURDAY, AUG. 13

◆ West Park Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corners of Kercheval, Lakeshore and Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe Park.
◆ Eastside Farmers Market is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Alter Square parking lot, 14820 Mack, Detroit.

MONDAY, AUG. 15

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods city council meets at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza.
◆ City of Grosse Pointe city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 17147 Maumee.
◆ Senior citizens can join a poker tournament from 12:30 to 1 p.m. at Services for Older Citizens, now located in the Henry Ford Medical Center, 159 Kercheval, third floor, Grosse Pointe Farms.

TUESDAY, AUG. 16

◆ Wong Herbert Yee guides the "Capturing the Story through Art: Illustration Workshop," at 7 p.m. at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. The cost is \$30. For more information, call (313) 884-4222.
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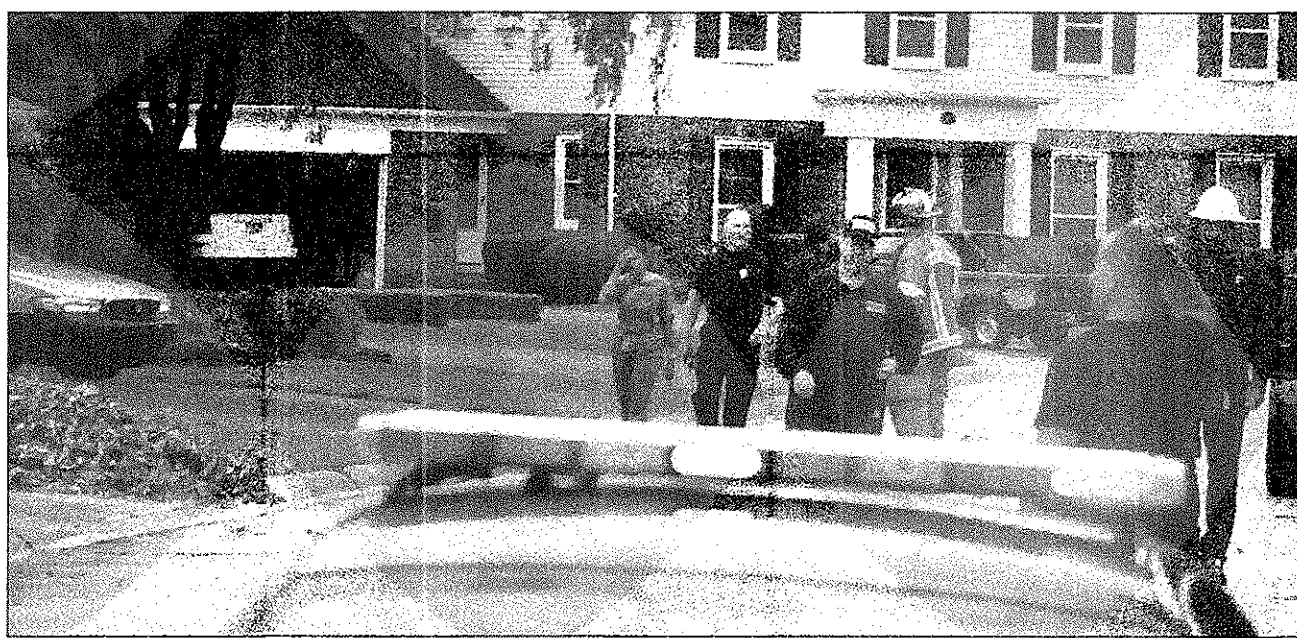
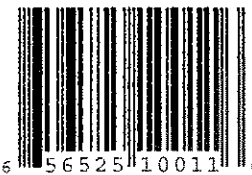
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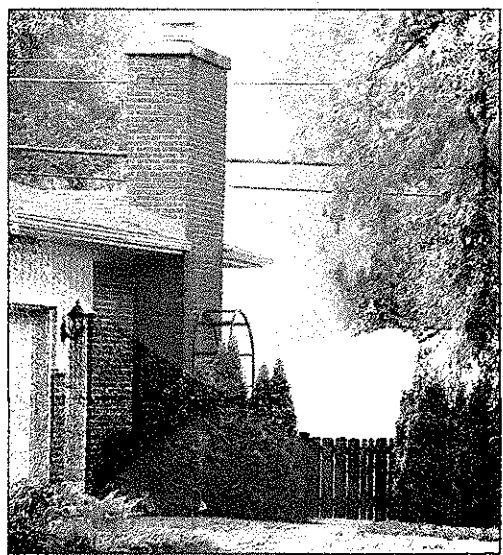
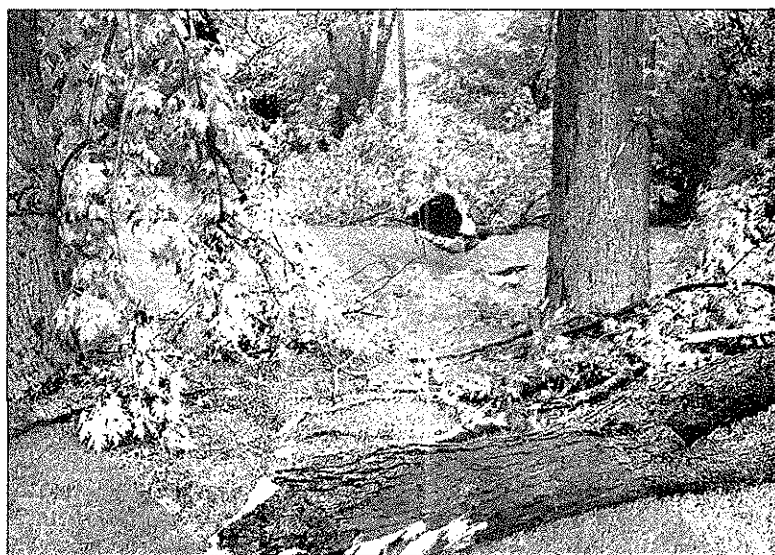
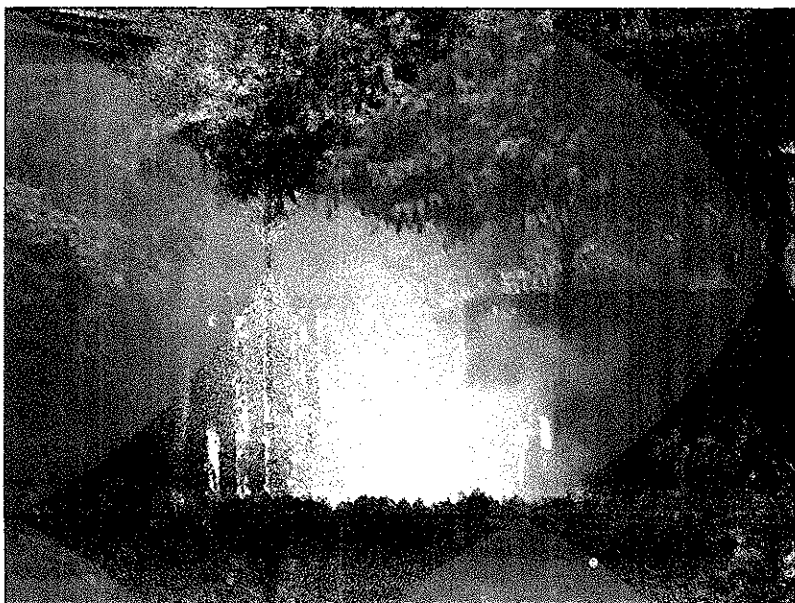
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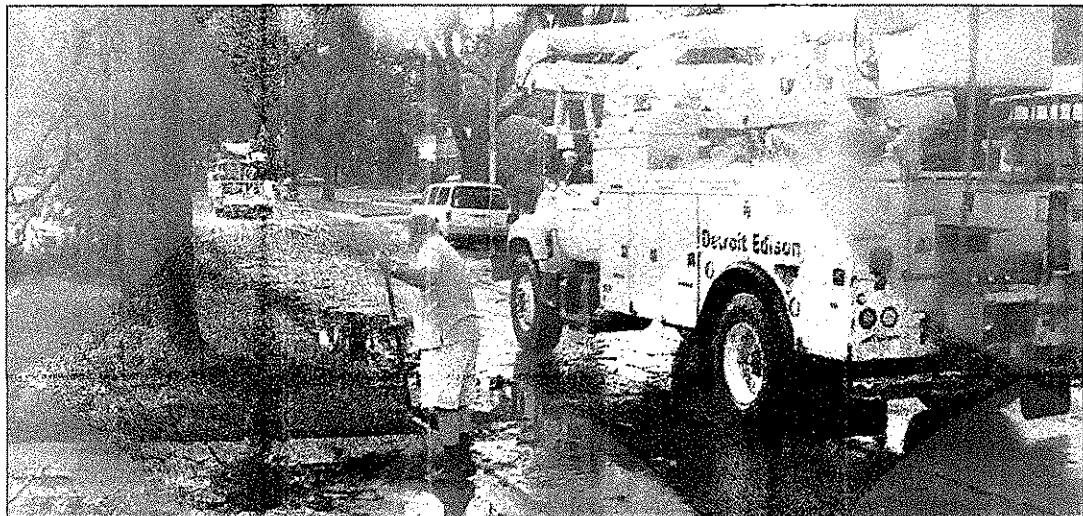


Quick hit

Grosse Pointe Shores bore the brunt of a quick hitting severe storm Tuesday, Aug. 9. Shores Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni said there were no injuries reported as officers went door-to-door in some neighborhoods, looking for downed wires and other damage. Part of Lakeshore was closed as trees were cleared from the roadway. Above, public safety officers and DTE Energy officials scout damage and talk to homeowners along Ballantyne Road. At right, firefighters stood by until DTE Energy cut power. Fences at four houses were on fire a couple blocks from Lakeshore. Below, trees and wires hit the ground at 905 Lakeshore.



PHOTOS BY JOE WARNER



Above, common damage in Grosse Pointe Shores after Tuesday's storm. At left, Steve Tomovski cleans branches from his driveway and yard as a parade of four DTE Energy trucks make their way to several fires a few blocks away.

Power backbone being braced

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Homeowners in a central sector of the city are fried about chronic electrical failures.

DTE Energy representatives assured them this week the blackouts and brownouts are nearly over.

A key transmission line has been fixed and is scheduled for beefing up. Lesser infrastructure, including poles, wires and transformers, are being checked, cleared of foliage, repaired or replaced.

"Hopefully, that will take care of the problem," said Todd Henning, DTE senior planning engineer.

Problems center in one of the city's eight circuits. The circuit feeds power to neighborhoods containing some of the city's largest houses and most exclusive properties on roads bounded by Lakeshore to Charlevoix and Muir to Kerby.

"There are five crews working on the circuit," Henning said.

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Service station snatchings

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS, CITY — A pack of thieves in a blue Toyota Scion preyed last week on two motorists preoccupied with filling their vehicles with gasoline at service stations on Mack.

Both incidents occurred within minutes and two miles of each other shortly after 1 p.m. Sunday, July 31.

The first happened at the BP station at Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms; the second at the Shell station at Neff in the City of Grosse Pointe.

At BP, a 52-year-old Farms woman reported her purse stolen out of her unattended car while she was in the station lobby. She described the suspects as two black males and a black woman, estimated to be in their early 20s, and a fourth unknown person. All fled in the Toyota.

Witnesses noted the license plate. An off-duty Detroit police officer saw what happened and tried to pursue.

The victim later learned that someone tried unsuccessfully to use a bank card from her purse at a service station on Mack and Chalmers in Detroit.

At the Shell station, a female victim in circumstances that mirrored the Farms case, said that prior to the theft, two

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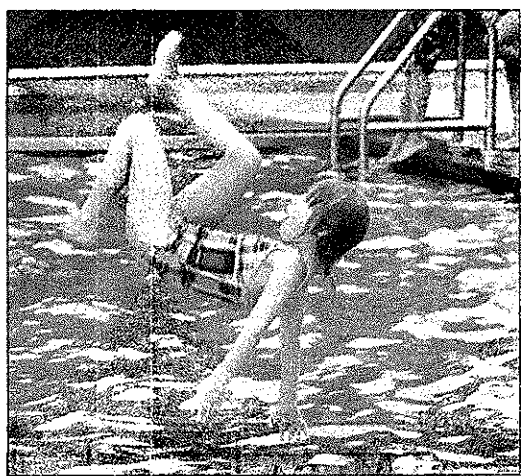
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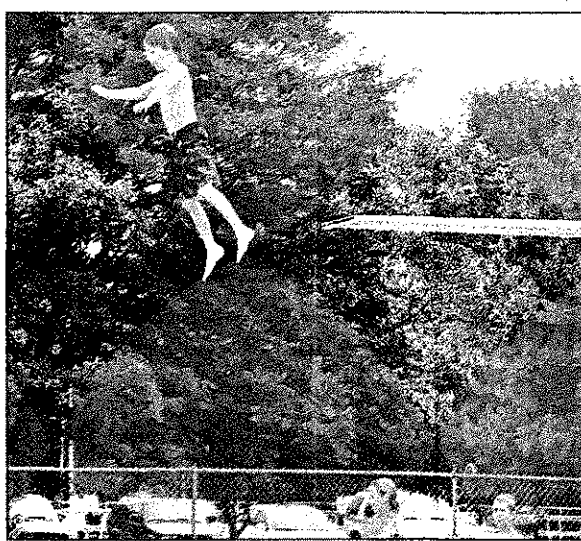
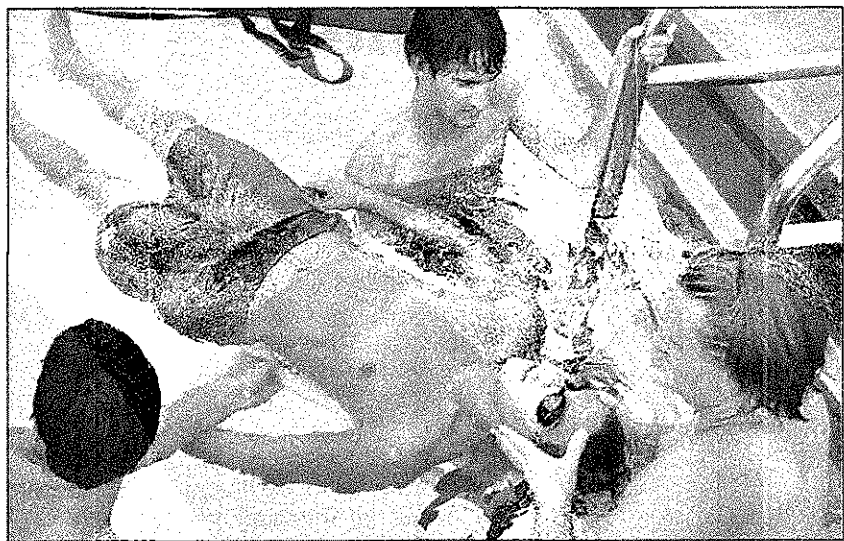
Celebrating Summer

Grosse Pointe Woods annual city picnic served up summer fun — hot dogs and cool pool activities. Above, Faith Epifanio takes a deep breath before hitting the water at the end of a ride down the slide at Lake Front Park's pool. At right, Again and again Sarah Westrick flies through the air and lands with a splash. Her father, Greg Westrick, provides the momentum for her fun. Below, Stephanie Westrick takes a flip off a diving board.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

At right, Shane Keyes squirts ketchup on his hot dog after swimming in the Lake Front Park pool. Below, Lifeguards demonstrate removing an injured swimmer from the pool using a back board. From left, Matt Hughes, Peter Cherry (on backboard), J.D. Andrews and Alex Fly. Below right, Ben Long jumps from the high dive.



Electric bill leads cops to more than medicinal

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Here's a bit of advice: If you are going to establish a large-scale marijuana growing operation in your basement, don't tap into your neighbor's electricity to run the grow lights.

A huge spike in a neighbor's electricity bill that led Grosse Pointe Park police to raid a house in the 1400 block of Somerset at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, where they found approximately 40 marijuana plants growing in the basement. Two Park residents were taken into custody.

"This was a full-scale operation, including hydroponics, heaters and lights," said David Hiller, Director of Public Safety. "This was not just a couple of guys growing some pot."

According to Hiller, a neighbor was concerned their electric bill increased dramatically for no apparent reason. The neighbor contacted DTE Energy and an electrician investigated and found someone had tapped into the neighbor's electricity. It was then traced to the basement of the duplex on Somerset. A police investiga-

tion determined that marijuana was being grown in the house and a search warrant was obtained and executed by the city's Special Response Team.

The two suspects, ages 31 and 36, were scheduled to be arraigned in the Park Municipal Court on Wednesday, Aug. 10. The two maintain they have cards allowing them to grow medicinal marijuana, but the amount police confiscated far exceeded amounts allowed under the state's medical marijuana law.

"There are certain restrictions you have to follow if you are growing medicinal marijuana," Hiller said. "One of those states you can have no more than 20 plants. This far exceeded that limit."

The Wayne County Prosecutors Office agreed and charged both suspects with manufacturing five to 45 kilograms of marijuana, a felony punishable by up to seven years in prison and possession of marijuana with intent to deliver, a felony punishable by up to four years in prison. In addition to the marijuana plants, police also seized a large amount of cash and prescription pills.

Hiller said neither suspect has a criminal record.

Would-be warrior

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A man with more knives than a door-to-door cutlery Barker was arrested last weekend on school property for carrying concealed weapons.

His collection included brass knuckles and a three-foot pipe sharpened to what police called a spear.

Lt. Detective Richard Rosati was on bicycle patrol in the Grosse Pointe Academy parking lot when, at 9:41 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, he came upon the suspect, a 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

The man was sleeping in a silver Mitsubishi crammed with personal possessions.

"I asked him why he was sleeping in the lot with all of his clothes in the car," Rosati said. "He replied that he had been kicked out of his house last night and was waiting for a phone call to work for someone."

Rosati found a three-foot bar next to the driver seat. "The bar had been sharpened to a point at one end," Rosati said.

The man reportedly explained the bar was "a project." "In the trunk was a box of 23 knives of different sizes, ranging from a kitchen knife to a curve-bladed knife known as a kukri," Rosati said. "There was also brass knuckles."

Police searching the man's car reportedly found a glass pipe coated with marijuana residue, plus a prescription bottle containing Ritalin, Adderall and Methylin, Rosati said.



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Some of the knives recovered from a Grosse Pointe Woods man arrested for carrying concealed weapons.

Car thefts fit profile

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS, CITY — Across Mack Avenue from Grosse Pointe Farms is a Detroit residential neighborhood, once tidy, now slipshod with hard times.

Many of the modest houses that haven't been torched are abandoned, infested by criminals and turned into drug houses.

The neighborhood has devolved from a stable, working class piece of the pie to a dumping ground and open-air chop shop for stolen cars, and home base and haven for border-hopping crooks targeting victims in Grosse Pointe.

For all practical purposes, its an adjunct to the Farms public safety beat.

When Lt. Andrew Rogers learned a gray 2008 Pontiac Grand Prix was stolen while parked the night of Saturday, Aug. 6, on Chalfonte near McKinley, he knew where to look.

"Knowing that several recent stolen vehicles have been recovered in the area of East Warren and Farmbrook, 1/4 mile from Grosse Pointe Farms, (I) responded to this area and started checking side streets and abandoned properties," Rogers said.

The neighborhood has devolved from a stable, working class piece of the pie to a dumping ground and open-air chop shop for stolen cars, and home base and haven for border-hopping crooks targeting victims in Grosse Pointe.

He found the car intact at 4536 Farmbrook. The house is abandoned.

"(The) vehicle was pulled all the way to the rear of the residence, near the garage," Rogers said. "(It was) warm to the touch, and probably had been at the location an hour or so."

He also found a partially stripped Ford Fusion — wheels, seats and exhaust gone — hidden from view on the east side of the house. The car had been stolen Aug. 2 in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Officers searching the Farmbrook house said they found drug paraphernalia.

The Grand Prix belonged to a man living on McKinley. He said his second car was rummaged through. Nothing was taken except a second set of keys to the Grand Prix.

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Lakeside residents ask for accretion relief

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A group of lakeside property owners hope environmental officials dig their idea of dredging sludge from the shoreline.

Rankin Peck, a second-generation owner of a 33-room Italian Renaissance villa he grew up in at 880 Lakeshore, is in league with next-door neighbors to clear rotting vegetation and smelly sediment fouling their combined shorelines.

The neighbors are applying to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to annually dredge shoreline muck and debris.

They hope to soon remove muck two feet deep in a 410-foot-long-by-10-to-20-foot wide strip at water's edge.

"We haven't heard back yet from the Corps of Engineers," Peck said.

The nearly 9,000-square-foot dredging zone is expected to yield about 610 cubic meters of debris.

Peck is known locally for his Albert Kahn-designed boathouse standing high, dry and mockingly above a section of lake that used to be deep enough to dock a 6-meter sailboat.

The area now is covered by

an ever-deepening land borne of accretion.

Accretion extends 97 to 117 feet beyond Peck's original breakwall, according to the permit application.

About 80 percent of the accreted area is so well established, it's appearance and footing are beach-like.

Yet, the newer, outer, 20-foot band is a gooey swirl of decaying vegetation and dead fish dumped ashore by waves and wind.

"We want to get rid of the mess," Peck said.

State regulators may schedule a public hearing on the matter.

"They're going to want comments from adjoining property owners, local government and other interested parties in the area," said Jim Milne, chief of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Great Lakes shoreline unit.

"Frankly, if we'd known they were doing this, we would have done the same thing," said Kay Felt, a shoreside resident with muck wedged against her breakwall a few lots upstream from Peck.

Felt and Peck's properties are inside a mile-long slightly concave crescent of Lake St. Clair.

The area is between man-



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Accretion transformed Rankin Peck's boat house into a beach house.

made peninsulas:

- ◆ upstream at Gaulker Pointe, constructed during the late 1920s as part of landscape architect Jens Jensen's plan for the Edsel and Eleanor Ford estate and

- ◆ downstream near the foot of Vernier, where a cluster of three landfills constitute the

extension of a private property owner's backyard, the municipal park and Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Many residents in the area contend their accretion problems stem from closure of a pass-through for shoreline currents during development of the park and club.

Blocked currents deposit sediment that otherwise would wash downstream, they said.

A few years ago, accretion reached from the downstream landfills to Felt's breakwall. Now, it's past her upstream neighbors.

"It's making it more and more receptive to phragmites," Felt said. "I'm completely in support of what Rankin is doing."

Felt is co-chair of the public interest advisory group for the United States and Canadian International Joint Commission's International Upper Great Lakes Study of lake water levels.

She invited a couple of the group's scientists to tour the

proposed dredging site.

"There's a buildup of organic material, probably vegetable matter washed on shore," said Scudder Mackey, project manager of the study board's ecosystems working group. "It starts decomposing and is full of zebra mussels."

Mackey also is an environmental consultant from Chicago specializing in aquatic habitat assessment.

The accretion could be managed by shallow dredging, he said.

"The ideal, long-term solution would be to open the pass-through at the marina or yacht club to allow sediment in the water to flow through," Mackey said.

POWER: Residents complain of third-world electric service

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Work should conclude Friday, Aug. 12.

Then, the focus shifts to bolstering a vital, yet hardluck, power line hanging behind houses between Stephens and Cloverly from Grosse Pointe Boulevard to Ridge.

Although the line is the "backbone" of the circuit, according to Henning, it has succumbed three times since July 21 to falling tree limbs or, on Aug. 1, a lightning strike.

Also, secondary lines have been failing this summer due to the stress of electrical overloads and windstorms.

It usually takes six months to shore-up a backbone line.

Joe Cazeno, the company's regional manager of corporate and government affairs, intends to put the Farms project on a fast track.

"We've talked to upper management and said let's get these issues resolved," he said.

Company officials were asked to attend the city council meeting Monday, Aug. 8, for an accounting and update on repairs.

During a public comment period, Lewiston homeowner Frank Kuplicki was the first of a dozen residents complaining about the costs and hassles of repeated power failures during this hot, humid summer.

Electrical losses did every-

thing from ruin food in non-functioning refrigerators to damage air conditioners garroted by low voltage.

Some residents reported six outages this summer. Others said the problem has been going on three to four years.

"We've lost a lot of stuff; a lot of time, too," said Anne Thomas of Moran Road.

"We're getting third world service at first world rates," said Ed McDermott, a Merriweather homeowner.

"We apologize for the inconvenience," Cazeno said.

He said customers can submit loss claim forms to the company for consideration.

Power to the Farms is routed through two substations, one

at Mack and Moross, the other on Neff.

Both stations have redundant equipment. If one transformer fails, another is supposed to click on automatically.

"That's what causes your lights to blink — the transfer from one to the other," said Ron Gerken, supervising planning engineer.



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POINTER OF INTEREST

Brittany Burke has appeared in several local and regional magazines. Now, the 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores resident hopes to take her career to new lengths on the runways of New York.



Hallways to runways

By Karen Fontanive
Staff writer

Many young girls dream of one day becoming a famous model.

For 16-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores resident Brittany Burke, that dream may soon come true.

The Grosse Pointe North High School junior recently signed with an elite New York agency and leaves soon for the Big Apple with a shot at walking the runway during New York Fashion Week.

A career begins

It began as such dreams frequently do. A child asking over and over to do something.

For Burke's mom, Renee, the request hit home. She modeled throughout college to pay for her schooling. Brittany Burke had looked at these photos many times.

"I just wanted to see what it (modeling) was like because it looked really cool," Burke said. "I used to bother my mom about it."

Renee Burke saw modeling as a way to keep her daughter focused, safe and out of trouble.

"Whatever a child's talent is, it's all about them being a better adult. For Brittany, it's modeling," she explained. "It's no different than a child who picks up a baseball or a hockey stick."

Renee Burke sent photos of Brittany to Chicago agencies. A couple showed interest and Brittany and her mother met with them. She signed and began working for Bon-Ton department stores in Wisconsin doing catalog and website work.

"I did a lot of commercial stuff and then I started getting more editorial (work)," Burke said. Editorial modeling accompanies articles in magazines.

Her work wasn't seen by her friends and family in the Detroit area. It appeared mostly in Wisconsin and Burke wasn't anxious for friends to know about it.

"I kind of kept it secret, because I just didn't want every-

body to know about it," she said.

While Burke continued with her life as a normal Grosse Pointe teen — attending classes, playing volleyball and hanging out with friends — she also continued modeling.

Last December, she appeared on the cover of Royal Oak-based Hour Magazine and her secret was out.

"It was really cool."

The Hour covered led to an even more public job: the cover and an inside spread in the July issue of Styleline, a Detroit-based fashion magazine.

The cusp of a breakthrough

Near the end of the school year, Burke was featured in a model showcase in Chicago.

"A showcase is when they have several different models from all over the country that are with my agency in Chicago," Burke explained. "They put on a fashion show showing all the new models. They bring in tons of other clients to watch the show. A New York agency saw me."

Burke signed with an elite New York modeling agency and a couple of days after school ended, she and her mom packed up and headed to New York.

Burke explained that breaking into the New York market is different than modeling in the Midwest. It requires new photos and a new portfolio. "I just started there, so what we have to do is build my portfolio."

This includes "auditioning" for New York fashion world's famed Fashion Week with the hopes of signing with a designer and having the opportunity to continue modeling in New York and Europe.

While nothing is concrete, Burke is optimistic. She and her mom arranged to get her



school books for the coming year and retain a tutor, in case she's walking the runway and not the hallways in September.

"I'll be all set when I get back."

Education reigns

Understanding full well the capriciousness of the modeling business, Burke keeps school on the front burner, modeling mostly during school breaks. She realizes modeling tends to have a short shelf life and she needs an education, both for a modeling career and in case a modeling career isn't to be.

"They (agents) want you to be educated. They don't want you to look stupid in front of a client. The more education you have, the more you relate to

adults."

"I hope (to model until) at least (age) 27; that's pretty much as long as it goes," Burke said. "It's hard to stay up there."

"I'd like to go to NYU or Columbia. I've already looked into it. I can work while I'm in college, so that way I'll have money to pay off college and save up for whatever else I need."

Price of devotion

A career in modeling isn't all glamour. Days start as early as 7 a.m. and end as late as 9 or 10 p.m. and "heels are ridiculous. You actually have to move and jump around. I was falling all over the place," said Burke.

Just like school or a career, there is work necessary to get ahead. Looking good and posing are not enough. The model must convey the feeling of the clothes, makeup and setting.

"You have to give off the personality of how they dress you. If they've given you a dark black gown and they're doing dark makeup, you have to act out a part for that," said Burke. "It's not like when you're modeling and just posing and doing that kind of thing. You actually have to give a part in the outfit you're given. I'm always practicing."

There are personal drawbacks as well.

"I'm missing high school volleyball and I missed hanging out with my friends for a whole month this summer," Burke said.

And if she is selected for fashion week, she'll be missing homecoming as well.

"It's kind of sad in a way because you're not really being a kid; you're being a professional adult slash teenager."

Any regret quickly leaves Burke's face. "I love it. It's been my passion for a long time."

The rewards

Burke readily admits to enjoying wearing the designer clothes and having her hair and makeup done, but views

modeling as a growth experience. "It definitely built my confidence a lot. A lot of kids my age don't talk to adults as much as I do. You have to be very talkative with adults and know a lot about what they do. It does make you more mature."

"My favorite part about this is getting the pictures back because you never know what to expect," Burke said. "When you get them it's like 'wow, I didn't think I could look like this' or 'I didn't think I could do this kind of pose or that kind of thing.' And you get better every time once you look at those photos."

"I actually have something I'm good at. It makes me feel good."



Top: This photo was one of several of Burke in a 10-page spread in the July issue of Styleline magazine. Her photo also appeared on the cover. PHOTO BY DANIEL LIPPITT

Above: Burke relaxing in the living room of her family home. She has been modeling professionally for two years and hopes to "walk the runway" next month during Fashion Week in New York City. PHOTO BY KAREN FONTANIVE

Right: A "head and shoulders" photo from Brittany Burke's most recent portfolio. PHOTO BY IRENE MAHMUD

Above: Hair, makeup, clothes, shoes and accessories are components of the photo. The model pulls it together. "You actually have to give a part in the outfit you're given," Burke explained. PHOTO BY DANIEL LIPPITT



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City of Grosse Pointe

Jeep stolen

A gold-colored 2003 Jeep was stolen between 2 and 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, while parked in the 800 block of Neff.

The owner said the vehicle was locked.

Attempted B&E I

An unknown suspect caused \$1,000 damage trying to break into Dave's Haircutting Shop, 615 Fisher, during the night of Thursday, Aug. 4.

Bad timing

A man facing a speeding ticket in City Municipal Court was arrested at 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, for allegedly stealing more than \$4,100 from the court clerk's office.

The clerk became suspicious upon seeing the 21-year-old Harper Woods man in her office.

"I'm looking at your cinnamon rolls," he reportedly explained.

The clerk soon realized an envelope containing \$4,187 in cash and checks was missing from her money drawer.

She called for an officer, of which there were at least a half dozen on hand due to court being in session, to detain the man, who'd ducked into a restroom.

An officer intercepted the man leaving the restroom and recovered the envelope containing the checks and cash in a restroom garbage can.

Attempted B&E II

A resident in the 500 block of Lincoln discovered at about 9:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 1, that someone tried to break in overnight.

The resident found the side door window damaged.

"The screen was cut and the molding to the window was pulled off," said Sgt. Ron Wiczorek.

—Brad Lindberg
If you have any information

about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Home invasion

During the night of Thursday, Aug. 4, a woman's wallet, laptop computer and cell phone were burgled from her house in the 100 block of Stephens.

The woman assumes whoever did it entered the house through an unlocked attached garage.

"No sign of forced entry was noticed," said an investigating officer.

Bike stolen

A woman's blue, 24-inch, 10-speed Giant bicycle with a bell on the handlebars was stolen during the night of Friday, July 29, from the backyard of a house in the 200 block of Kenwood Court.

"If a man speaks or acts with an evil thought, pain follows him," Buddha said.

—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

No entry

A reportedly intoxicated 45-year-old Sterling Heights woman was refused entry to Osius Park and, a short time later at 9:06 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, arrested in the 900 block of northbound Lakeshore for drunken driving.

The woman registered a .13 percent blood alcohol level, according to police.

A search of her purse turned up marijuana and three different pills in a bottle labeled Vicodin, officers said.

Hot hot pad

Firefighters deployed an engine at 10:11 a.m. Thursday Aug. 4, to a house on Moorland Drive.

Smoke was reported in the kitchen.

"The source (was) a smoldering hot pad in the drawer," said an officer.

Road closed

Police closed southbound Lakeshore near Fairlake Lane for about 1 1/2 hours starting shortly after 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, due a fallen power line.

Power out

A transformer that failed during the morning of Wednesday, Aug. 3, in the 500 block of Oxford in Grosse Pointe Woods knocked out power to houses on Renaud, North Edgewood and Stillmeadow Lane in the Shores.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

B & E

A contractor working at a house on Shoreham while the owners were away arrived the morning of Saturday, Aug. 6, to find a back screen cut and a window open.

A search of the house revealed several overturned drawers in the master bedroom. A plastic shopping bag was found in the garage containing jewelry and other items which appeared to have been taken from the master bedroom. Police continue to investigate.

Lawn mower taken

A Broadstone homeowner reported to police Friday, Aug. 5, his Toro lawn mower was taken from his garage. No other items were missing.

Attempted car theft

An Oxford Road resident found the steering column of his car had been damaged in what appears to be an attempted car theft overnight Saturday, Aug. 5.

Hit and run

Police responded to a report of a hit and run accident at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, on Roslyn after the owner of a car found damage to its driver's side door. The car was parked in the street.

Requiem for raccoon

A report of a "dead unknown critter" brought officers to a house on Shoreham Saturday, Aug. 6.

According to their report, officers found "a strong odor of death upon entering the backyard." Further investigation revealed a deceased raccoon in the basement window well. Based on decomposition and the recent heat wave, the estimated time of death was two to

three weeks.

"After donning a HEPA mask, I extricated the corpse using a garden pick and removed it from the scene," an officer said in the report.

—Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these or any other crimes, call Grosse Pointe Woods police at (313) 343-3400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Attempted home invasion

Overnight Sunday, July 31, in the 1000 block of Yorkshire, someone removed a screen and attempted to pry open a window. The window was locked and no entry was made.

MDOP

The owner of a house in the 1000 block of Harvard heard a crash at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, and found a front window shattered by a brick paver thrown through it.

A window in a house in the 1000 block of Grayton was shattered by a small rock sometime between Wednesday, Aug. 3 and Friday, Aug. 5.

UDAA

A 2010 Dodge Challenger was taken from the 15200 block of Jefferson Thursday, Aug. 4, sometime between 10:15 p.m. and 10:40 p.m. Police said the keys were left in the ignition.

A 2007 Toyota Rav 4, locked and parked in the 1100 block of Lakepointe, was stolen overnight Thursday, Aug. 4.

Nice friends

A homeowner in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield had a party the afternoon of Saturday, Aug. 6. Following the party, two friends said they were missing prescription medications.

—Kathy Ryan

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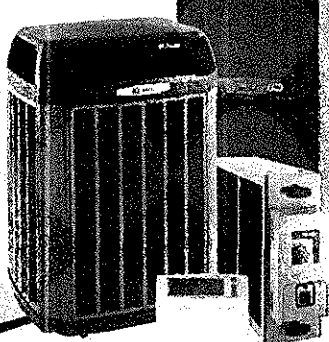
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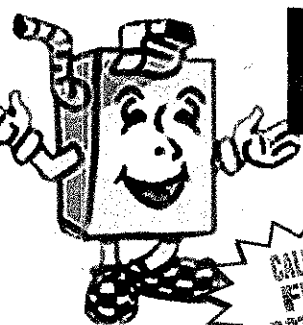
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STATION: Tow leads police to confession

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black males and a black female were circling the station lot in a blue Toyota.

"The black males had do-rags on their heads," she told police.

"Minutes before receiving the dispatched run, Grosse Pointe Farms issued a 'be on the lookout' for a blue Toyota Scion that just committed a larceny from auto at the Mack-

Moross BP," said a City patrolman.

The next afternoon, Farms Lt. Andrew Rogers came upon the Toyota parked, unattended, with a flat front tire and related damage on Mack in front of the Shell station.

"The vehicle was dropped off by a AAA truck sometime yesterday afternoon," Rogers said.

Apparently, the Toyota broke down and became undrivable. Its owner, a AAA member, or-

dered it towed. The Shell station was the closest designated repair shop.

"A female juvenile admitted to the crimes," said Dan Jensen, Farms public safety director.

The girl lives in Macomb County.

"She's semi-cooperative," Jensen said. "There were three males involved working with her that we're trying to make arrests on."



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Gone fishin'

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Six-year-old Zoey Crossley caught a 13-inch fish last summer and has been talking about it ever since.

"I caught a silver bass," she said.

She "caught" it at the Grosse Pointe Farms and City Family Fishing Rodeo.

"I like catfishing fish," said Zoey, lisping a little due to missing an upper front tooth.

"She can't wait to try again," said her mother, Christine, a life-long Farms resident.

Zoey and fellow Farms and City residents age 17 and younger are casting their luck during this year's rodeo, Saturday, Aug. 13, at Farms Pier Park. Rain or shine.

"All they have to do is come down and show their park pass," said Dick Graves, event chairman and Farms resident. "The beauty of it is, it starts at 8 a.m. and is over by noon. So, people have time the rest of the day to do whatever."

The rodeo timeline is:

◆ 8 to 9 a.m.: Registration and free breakfast of doughnuts, juice and coffee.

◆ 9 to 10 a.m.: Fishing competition.

◆ 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Free lunch of hot dogs, chips and pop.

◆ 10:30 a.m.: Awards ceremony and free prize drawings for parents.

Six cash prizes and trophies are awarded to the Farms and City contestants catching the first fish, largest fish and largest game fish.

"Every kid gets a prize, valued between \$20 and \$30, whether they catch a fish or

not," Graves said.

Four bicycles are raffled. Children aren't the only winners.

"We have over \$2,000 worth of gifts for adults — restaurant gift certificates and electronics," Graves said.

Everything's free. Including worms for bait, another thing Zoey likes.

"Because they're squiggly," she said.

"All you have to do is show up and we'll shower you with food, prizes and everything," Graves said.

Contestants provide their own fishing poles.

Graves' late father founded the rodeo 63 years ago with help from community police and firemen.

"Grosse Pointe is a tradition-oriented community," Graves said. "This is a traditional event."

The rodeo is hooked in the memories of many Pointers.

"I love hearing people say that," Graves said. "It's back-to-basics — fishing, family, friends and community. Thank goodness for those firemen, police and my dad for putting this together in the first place."

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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 17

◆ Services for Older Citizens in the Henry Ford Medical Center, 159 Kercheval, third floor, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an 11 a.m. birthday celebration for those observing birthdays in August.

THURSDAY, AUG. 18

◆ Assumption GreekFest is open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. at

the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Opening ceremony is at 6:30 p.m.

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Foundation holds its annual cocktail buffet reception from 7 to 9 p.m. at Donna and Joseph Coughlin's house, 801 Bishop. Tickets range from \$50 to \$125. For more information and to purchase tickets, call Kathy at (313) 822-4379.

◆ Last day for submitting Grosse Pointe Public Library summer reading entries at all branches.

◆ The movie, "The Tourist," with Johnny Depp and Angelina Jolie, is shown at 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson. Admission is free.

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GUEST OPINION By Michael Van Beek

Time to take school choice to next level

Gov. Rick Snyder aims to provide students with more learning opportunities by increasing the number of charter schools, expanding the "schools-of-choice" program and providing more access to on-line courses.

While many parents and students will benefit from these reforms, the governor and Legislature shouldn't settle for just these improvements. They should also empower more parents to take advantage of Michigan's diverse array of private and independent schools.

The Wall Street Journal recently declared 2011 to be "The year of school choice," citing 13 states have created or expanded their school choice initiatives so far this year. Most of these programs provide publicly financed assistance to parents who enroll their children in private schools. Three of these states border Michigan: Indiana created the country's largest school voucher program, Ohio tripled the size of its voucher program and Wisconsin expanded the Milwaukee voucher program and created a new one.

In addition to those states, 29 are currently considering legislation that would expand parents' ability to opt for private schools, according to the American Federation for Children. Among these states are Illinois, Minnesota, Pennsylvania and Iowa. Michigan is surrounded by states ready to increase educational freedom and is one of eight states not considering doing the same.

Snyder and the Legislature should adopt private school choice as part of the education reform agenda for three simple reasons: Parents want more options; voucher and tuition tax credit programs save money; and research demonstrates these programs improve outcomes for students in both private and public schools.

More parents are recognizing schools assigned by the government are not necessarily the best fit for their children. According to the National Center for Education Statistics, the percentage of students enrolled in a school of their parents' choosing rose from 20 percent in 1993 to 29 percent in 2007. Not surprisingly, parents participating in private school choice programs consistently report they are very satisfied with their children's schools.

Private school choice programs also save taxpayers money. For instance, Arizona taxpayers paid on average about \$8,500 per student enrolled in their public schools in 2008, but only about \$1,900 for each student participating in that state's tuition tax credit program. The voucher program in Washington, D.C. costs taxpayers only about one-third as much per pupil as the city's public schools.

The empirical evidence on voucher and tax credit programs is thoroughly one-sided: Nine of 10 random assignment studies of voucher programs show student outcomes improve for participants. Of the 19 empirical studies testing the impact of voucher programs on public school students, 18 found a positive impact. When public schools are given incentives to improve or lose students to competing private schools, they respond positively.

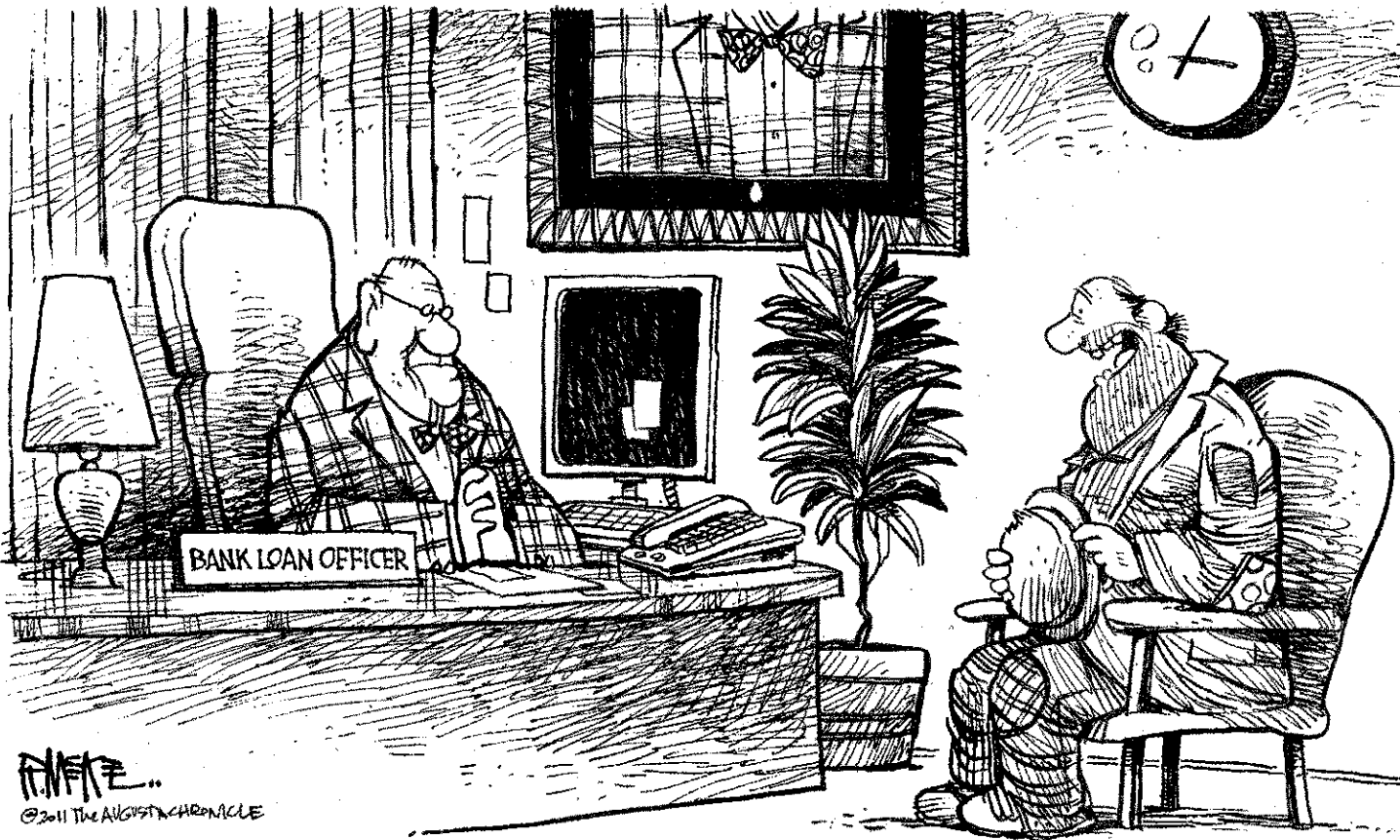
To be fair, bringing private school choice to Michigan is a monumental task. This state's constitution explicitly forbids the use of publicly funded vouchers or tax credits to support private school enrollment. Eliminating this 40-year-old restriction would require a ballot initiative, which would be undeniably difficult. But it wouldn't be impossible, especially if there was gubernatorial and legislative leadership behind it.

Of course, there would be other obstacles. Legally privileged government employee unions, like the Michigan Education Association, view expanded parental choice as a threat to their monopoly of taxpayer-funded schooling and will do just about anything to protect their turf.

While these obstacles may seem insurmountable, other states are obviously overcoming them and, in many cases, doing so with bipartisan support. School choice has become much less partisan in recent years as many Democrats, especially those representing districts with a high number of failing schools, recognize school choice can provide an immediate benefit to their constituents. Groups like Democrats for Education Reform and the Black Alliance for Educational Options have been powerful advocates for more choice as well.

Snyder has repeatedly said he wants to make Michigan into a welcoming environment for businesses to get this state's economy back on track. The governor should work to make Michigan an inviting place for parents as well. And the best way to do that is to create more educational opportunities for their children.

Van Beek is director of educational policy at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.



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Thanks City

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Village Association, member merchants, vendors and exhibitors who participated in the 33rd annual Village Sidewalk Sale and Street Festival, I'd like to thank the City of Grosse Pointe for its kind assistance and hard work throughout the weekend.

In particular, I'd like to thank James Fox, director of public safety, for his calm oversight; Lt. Eddie Tujaka and all the officers who assisted with the difficult task of closing Kercheval and the side streets to vehicular traffic and their overnight vigilance; Paul Weitzel, public service director, and his staff, who always made themselves readily available and for making sure vendors and merchants had a steady and reliable outdoor power source; and to the entire public works department for sprucing up The Village and keeping it that way throughout the weekend.

There were unexpected challenges during the event, such as power outages due to overnight storms and AT&T work crews on Kercheval. But the positive spirit that was demonstrated by the merchants, vendors and attendees carried the day and made this a safe, fun and successful sidewalk sale.

When community, businesses and local government come together in support of events such as this, good things happen.

JOHN DENOMME
Manager, Marketing & Promotions
Grosse Pointe Village Association

Determining school districts

To the Editor:

This in response to a letter, "Redistricting no surprise?," Aug. 4 Grosse Pointe News.

The letter writer indicates having a Democrat voted into the First State House District was one of the factors resulting in this district being split into two different Congressional districts.

I disagree with this statement.

It is, however, interesting to note the letter writer ends his letter, "When it comes to redistricting, we got exactly what we deserved from the state's Republican leadership."

This is exactly the crux of the matter. Whichever political party is in control when the census is taken, this party has control of redrawing the lines with little input from the general public.

It is for this reason the Michigan League of Women Voters is sponsoring a statewide campaign to educate the public on partisan control and more viable methods for determining districts in the future.

The Grosse Pointe League of Women Voters has taken up the challenge and is sponsoring a Town Hall Meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. There is no charge to attend.

I am personally inviting the letter writer and the readers of the Grosse Pointe News to attend this informative meeting regarding this volatile issue of redistricting.

It is so important the public be informed on the pros and cons of this issue. It is by this method we will be able to

make an educated decision.
MARION MC CARTHY
Harper Woods

Life and taxes

To the Editor:

When I calculated how much more we would be paying in state income tax — \$2,000, thanks to Gov. Rick Snyder's violating the State's Constitution by taxing pensions and eliminating the Homestead Property tax credit, etc., I seriously considered moving out of the beautiful state of Michigan and closer to my grandkids.

When I realized what a sham it would be to have open enrollment for Grosse Pointe schools and how our property values in this breathtakingly-gorgeous community would plummet even more than it has because of that, I thought, get out now.

But when I noticed a tree branch snapped in front of my house, I alerted city workers who happened to pass by. They immediately called in the problem and blocked off the section of the street to protect motorists from getting bopped.

Within minutes, a city cherry-picker truck came.

The workers cut down the branches and told me they would have a truck pick up the debris.

Within minutes of that conversation, a compost truck took away all the fallen limbs.

How can I possibly leave?

Grosse Pointe Farms is the best place on the planet to live. Thank you Grosse Pointe Farms workers.

Now if only Snyder would realize the Pointes' value and beauty and not screw it up.

DONNA CARLONI
Grosse Pointe Farms

New school principal

To the Editor:

I find it very difficult to believe no one with prior principal experience applied for this position, "South names new principal," Aug. 4 Grosse Pointe News.

It is a long way from the assistant principal chair to the principal chair.

Normally, one would first be

a principal at an elementary or middle school, prior to assuming the principalship of a high school.

If this is the best candidate for that position, the board did not do a very good job of attracting applicants.

TIMOTHY GRIFFIN
Grosse Pointe Farms

Hot car dangers

To the Editor:

With much of the country enduring sweltering temperatures, please allow me to warn readers parked vehicles are death traps for dogs during warm weather.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals receives dozens of reports every year about animals who suffer horrific deaths in hot cars.

On a 78 degree day, the temperature inside a parked car can soar to between 100 and 120 degrees in minutes. And on a 90-degree day, the temperature can reach 160 degrees in less than 10 minutes.

Leaving the windows open and/or leaving water in the vehicle does not keep animals safe.

Dogs cannot cool themselves as efficiently as humans. And with only hot air to breathe, dogs can succumb to heatstroke in as little as 15 minutes, resulting in brain damage or death.

Symptoms include restlessness, excessive thirst, heavy panting, lethargy, lack of appetite and coordination, dark tongue and vomiting.

Leaving a dog in a parked car is as cruel as putting a dog in a hot oven. Please, when it's even a little warm outside, leave animals at home.

If you see a dog left in a car, have the owner paged or call local police or humane authorities immediately — the dog's life depends on it.

Visit PETA.org to learn more.

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GUEST OPINION By Jena Baker McNeill and Matt Mayer

Smarter homeland security

The 9/11 attacks acted as a catalyst for major changes in United States security efforts.

The attacks altered not only how the nation identified and prepared for threats but also how it would work to prevent them.

The approaching 10th anniversary of the attacks gives policymakers an opportunity to undertake a realistic and retrospective assessment of homeland security policies since 9/11.

Time to evaluate
The creation of the

Department of Homeland Security was one of the biggest changes. It was intended to be the leader of a broader homeland security effort, integrating the activities of federal, state and local governments; the private sector; and private citizens into one cohesive "homeland security enterprise."

Nearly a decade later, this enterprise has undergone significant evolution, admittedly good and bad. Threats against the homeland continue. Not a year has passed since 9/11 when terrorists have not sought to strike U.S. soil.

Americans see the value of security and understand the re-

al threat of terrorism. But they have also grown weary of the endless series of bureaucratic security hoops that make travel less convenient by the day.

Determining which reforms have made us more agile and better prepared for disaster — and which have been a colossal waste of taxpayer dollars — will ensure future investments are smart investments.

To perform such an assessment, one need not resort to hypothetical questions. The 40 terrorist plots foiled since 9/11 are real and compelling stories of what works. Research shows investments made since 9/11 in tools such as the Patriot

Act — which empowers law enforcement to track down leads in local communities — and in strengthening information-sharing capabilities — are the right investments for security.

If intelligence does not flow seamlessly between law enforcement, the U.S. can't stop terrorist plots before the public is in danger.

Centralizing disaster preparedness

Yet, for every dollar spent on the right investments, five more have been spent on silly

I SAY By Bob St. John

Football is back and so are the fans



Football is back at all levels — youth, high school, college and professional.

It took a little longer than necessary, but our Detroit Lions took to the practice field after owners and players approved the new collective bargaining agreement.

There is a fevered pitch at the Lions' practice facility in Allen Park when the players take to the field for the first official practice under third-year head coach Jim Schwartz.

Last year's four-game sea-

son-ending winning streak has fans revved up about the Lions' chances at actually finishing with a winning season or, gulp, even contending for a playoff spot.

Don't get too giddy, but the Lions do have some weapons on both sides of the ball.

On offense, quarterback Matthew Stafford is healthy and has the potential to light up the stat sheet. Running back Jahvid Best joins tight end Brandon Pettigrew and wide receivers Calvin Johnson, Nate Burleson and Titus Young.

It's up to the offensive line of Jeff Backus, Rob Sims, Dominic Raiola, Stephen Peterman and Gosder Cherilus to keep Stafford upright and healthy. Without a healthy Stafford, the offense loses its potency.

On defense, defensive line men Cliff Avril, Ndamukong Suh, Kyle Vanden Bosch, Corey Williams and Nick Fairley form what can be a dangerous group that can put tons of pressure on opposing quarterbacks.

This pressure makes the linebackers' and defensive backs' jobs much easier. Look for more sacks and interceptions this season due to the defensive line.

Detroit's eight home games are against Kansas City, Chicago, San Francisco, Atlanta, Carolina, Green Bay (Thanksgiving), Minnesota and San Diego. Their eight away games are Tampa Bay, Minnesota, Dallas, Denver, Chicago, New Orleans, Oakland and Green Bay.

Prediction: 9-7 and miss the playoffs by one game.

Head coach Mark Dantonio and his Michigan State Spartans are one of the Big Ten title contenders, thanks to veteran quarterback Kirk Cousins and running back Edwin Baker. Defensively, Jerel Worthy is a potential first-round NFL draft pick.

The non-conference slate includes Youngstown State, Florida Atlantic, Notre Dame and Central Michigan, while the eight Big Ten games are against Ohio State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Indiana and Northwestern.

MSU begins the season ranked No. 17 in the USA Today Coaches Poll.

Prediction: 10-2 (New Year's Day Bowl)

Will Michigan fans have something to cheer about this fall?

New head coach Brady Hoke brings a no-nonsense, hard-nosed attitude to Ann Arbor. He has to fix a horrific defense and allow all-everything quarterback Denard Robinson to excel and stay healthy this season.

The Wolverines' non-conference schedule consists of Western Michigan, Notre Dame, Eastern Michigan and San Diego State. The Big Ten slate consists of Minnesota, Northwestern, Michigan State, Purdue, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska and Ohio State.

A daunting task makes it tough for Hoke to lead U-M to a bowl game.

Prediction: 8-4 (Bowl game)

The local high school teams, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and Liggett, began official practice Monday morning.

Head coaches Frank

Sumner of North, Tim Brandon of South, and newcomer Lou Ray of Liggett, have a grin from ear to ear at the prospect of their teams entering the new school year.

The first two games take place before school begins, but it doesn't matter since fans still flock to the games.

This is the best time of the year. Although I don't think students think so, but otherwise, the beginning of the football season is a magical time when optimism is at an all-time high.

For the high school season previews, watch for our special section in the Aug. 25 Grosse Pointe News.

Go Lions.
Go Spartans.
Go Wolverine.
Go Norsemen.
Go Blue Devils.
Go Knights.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

What is your favorite summer memory?

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



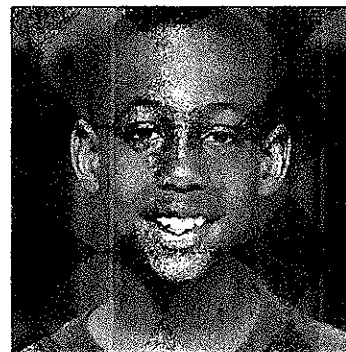
'My birthday. I like when everyone brings me presents.'

KATHERINE BSHARAH
Grosse Pointe Park



'When ever I can play tennis. It's fun.'

SHANNON LYNCH
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'Going to Disneyland and seeing Mickey Mouse.'

C.J. JACKSON
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'When I went to the Tigers game and rode the baseball Ferris wheel.'

T'ANASIA ROGERS
Grosse Pointe Park



'When I went to the beach and saw the fireworks.'

AMELIA MEDINA
Grosse Pointe Park

GUEST OPINION By Josh Schlossberg

Don't burn forests to make electricity

The Obama administration and Congress insist burning forests for electricity, a technology called biomass power incineration, is "clean and green" — right up there with solar and wind.

But burning trees for power is bad economic policy, ruinous for forests and hazardous to one's health.

The United States Department of Agriculture Biomass Crop Assistance Program has established \$461 million in subsidies for biomass development over the next 15 years. Congress has extended Section 1603 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, paying for up to 30 percent of construction costs for new biomass facilities.

The states are responding enthusiastically to these incentives with plans for dozens of new forest incinerators centered in New England, the upper Midwest, Southeast, and Pacific Northwest where trees are plentiful. Eight new biomass incinerators are on tap for Ohio, and five in East Texas. Five more big facilities are planned for Massachusetts — a move calculated to quadruple logging in the state, but provide only about 1 percent of its electricity. Florida, meanwhile, is processing permits for one of the biggest biomass facilities built, a 100-megawatt monster in Gainesville.

While these new biomass incinerators are being touted as "clean energy" by Washington, big Wall Street investment firms, the timber industry and power companies wishing to move away from coal and appear green, there's a downside. Biomass power not only consumes our nation's forests, it also pollutes our air and adds to global warming.

Unlike solar and wind energy, biomass incinerators can emit harmful pollutants, including carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, hydrochloric acid, ammonia, formaldehyde, chlorine and dioxin. Though biomass supporters claim the technology is squeaky clean, look no further than the 26-year-old McNeil biomass plant — Vermont's single biggest polluter.

Biomass incinerators also emit particulates, for which there is no safe level of exposure, according to American Cancer Society studies. The American Lung Association also condemns biomass incineration, citing "severe impacts on the health of children, older adults and people with lung diseases," while the Massachusetts Medical Society states, "biomass power plants pose an unacceptable risk to the public's health by increasing air pollution."

Environmental justice issues often accompany the placement of biomass incineration facilities. Vermont's McNeil station, for instance, is located adjacent to a low-income, ethnically-diverse residential neighborhood in Burlington, 200 yards from the closest residences.

So why exactly are the feds spending our tax dollars to burn the nation's forests for electricity? To curb climate change, they say.

Yet, carbon dioxide emissions from biomass are roughly 1.5 times higher than from coal and three to four times greater than from natural gas per unit of energy generated, says the Environmental Working Group.

In 2010, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts released the Manomet study, demonstrating forest biomass incineration will release more global warming gases than coal. Climate scientists say we must drastically cut carbon emissions.

Living, growing forests are already one of our greatest weapons in the fight against climate change. Given their capacity to store and sequester carbon dioxide, why burn them down?

The real green alternative is simple: We don't need more generating capacity. We need to use the energy we already produce more efficiently.

Efficiency alone could more than make up for the electricity generated by burning forests.

More states should follow Vermont's lead, which established Efficiency Vermont, the nation's first rate payer-funded energy efficiency utility. It has cut state energy use by 7 percent and energy costs to households and businesses by \$31 million annually.

Another big energy saver: The U.S. Senate should pass the Home Star Energy Retrofit Act that would support energy efficiency measures creating

170,000 jobs and saving families close to \$10 billion on energy bills over 10 years, according to bill sponsor Rep. Peter Welch, D-VT.

If we're truly determined to transition to a clean energy future, let's make sure every taxpayer dollar is wisely and honestly spent implementing economically efficient, ecologically sound, genuinely clean, renewable and sustainable energy sources, instead of sending that money up in smoke, along with our carbon-storing forests.

Few deny the need to wean

ourselves off fossil fuels. But in our scramble to limit — and ultimately end — our dependence on oil, let's make sure we're not jumping out of the frying pan and into the fire. We burned our way into the energy and climate change mess, we're certainly not going to burn our way out.

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— Blue Ridge Press

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efforts to childproof the supply chain. Examples of efforts to scan every cargo container or passenger, screen every box or regulate the way to security, are bountiful. These labors have proved to be a black hole: Millions, if not billions, of taxpayer dollars go in with little security to show for the investment.

It is also clear the preference has been to drive homeland security from Washington, D.C. Federal bureaucrats have made policy decisions without input from — or cooperation with — local communities, despite communities are the first responders when disaster strikes. The Federal Emergency Management Agency has acquired more power to drive efforts that belong at the state and local levels.

One of the most important lessons from 9/11 and subsequently Hurricane Katrina was state and local governments are the first on the scene when disaster strikes. Washington, should not and cannot be the center of the universe for homeland security. Yet each president over the past 50 years has surpassed his predecessor in the number of federal disaster declarations issued

— pushing dependency on Washington and shortchanging state and local efforts.

Take steps to use resources wisely

The time has come to recalibrate policies that do not make America safer, empower communities to take a greater role in their preparedness efforts and return to the very principles of federalism that make the nation free, safe and prosperous.

Specifically, Congress and the Obama Administration should:

◆ Undertake an honest assessment of which policies are making the nation safer.

◆ Getting homeland security right in the future relies heavily on Congress' ability to exercise oversight in an effective manner. Congressional leadership should consolidate oversight into the two standing homeland security committees (separating Senate Governmental Affairs from Homeland Security), the appropriations committees and the intelligence committees.

◆ The Stafford Act does not contain strict limits on what can qualify for a federal "disaster" declaration. Congress should establish clear requirements that limit the types of situations in which declarations can be issued, eliminating some entirely from FEMA's portfolio. Congress should limit the federal cost-sharing provision for all FEMA declarations to no more than 25 percent of the costs. This

would allow FEMA to concentrate on catastrophic disaster planning and preparedness — situations that would truly overwhelm the capacity of local resources.

◆ Congress should reform the homeland security grant structure. This should include permanently limiting the number of cities eligible for the Urban Areas Security Initiative to the 35 highest-risk areas and moving toward the use of cooperative agreements instead of grants. In a cooperative agreement, the federal government and the states and localities can sit down as equal partners and negotiate capability outcomes at the beginning. They can assess programmatic and financial oversight requirements and direct funds without the need for yearly applications.

21st century security

America is at risk. It is essential policymakers make smart choices today that will keep the homeland secure and counter emerging 21st century threats.

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GUEST OPINION By Rich Lowry

Reagan: Statesman

Ronald Reagan, God rest his soul, has been dead for seven years. This is long enough for liberals to feel safe making him their pet Republican.

In their telling, Reagan raised the debt ceiling 18 times, passed tax increases, negotiated with the Soviets and then pretty much called it a day, adjourning to share a friendly after-hours drink with his bosom buddy, Democratic

House Speaker Tip O'Neill. These heterodoxies would get him ostracized in today's Republican party, proving the Grand Old Party has been hijacked by dangerous extremists.

Needless to say, that's what they called Reagan and his supporters back when the Gipper was alive and governing. Beyond their obvious opportunism, though, the newly minted Reagan nostalgics of the Left have a point: Reagan

didn't get everything he wanted and he had to compromise. This isn't a telling polemical point so much as a banality, a truism about any leader in a robust democratic society.

Reagan inevitably had to make choices. Confronting a Democratic House, he could cut taxes and fund a defense build-up, or try to balance the budget. He had the right priorities; the economic growth he

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fostered and victory in the Cold War made the budget surpluses of the 1990s possible.

The liberals' hankering for Reagan is only possible when they abstract him from the context of his times and focus on his pragmatic tactics to the

exclusion of his fixed ideological goals. Some conservatives make the opposite mistake by ignoring Reagan's adept maneuvering, as if the only ingredient to his success was maintaining the right convictions.

Both sides, then, tend to misunderstand the wellsprings of Reagan's achievement. Having grand goals is easy, if you don't care much about reaching them. Cutting deals is easy, if you don't care much about where they take you. Knowing how to accommodate reality, when to give way and when to stand firm, while never deviating from your ultimate purposes is the stuff of statesmanship.

When such statesmanship is in the service of transformative and noble ends, it deserves honor for all time. It is what defines a Reagan or a Lincoln.

The Great Emancipator's later career was partly devoted to the perilous work of slowly pushing the envelope of public opinion toward the abolition of slavery. The abolitionists hated his compromises and caution. He, in turn, hated their self-righteous purity. But both the abolitionist agitation and the shrewd political leadership were indispensable to changes unimaginable on the cusp of the Civil War. Lincoln called radicals in his party "the unhandiest devils in the world to deal with — but after all, their faces are set Zion-ward."

The Tea Partiers in Congress will have to make their own bows to statesmanship. If David Gergen is ever on CNN praising them for their supposed responsibility, they might as well not have come to Washington in the first place. They should never become house-broken.

On the other hand, they can't let tactics become destructive to their ends, or oppose anything that doesn't meet a test of absolute purity. The road to Zion is always frustrating and winding.

America's deepening class divide

The size of government threatens the American way of

life as we know it. The solution is straightforward — cut government.

A vibrant grassroots movement insists it happen and Washington is lousy with rival plans for how to go about it.

The social threat to the American way of life is as dire, if not more so. But it is more insidious — and more complicated. No grassroots movement has mobilized against it and no high-profile bipartisan commission is suggesting remedies. Yet it proceeds apace, all but ignored except in the lives of Americans.

Among those trying to sound the alarm is Charles Murray of the American Enterprise Institute, an author and thinker who has a well-earned reputation for prescience and fearlessness. In a bracing lecture titled "The State of White America," he notes America has long had an exceptional civic culture. "That culture is unraveling," he warns. "America is coming apart at the seams. Not the seams of race or ethnicity, but of class."

Murray takes whites as his subject to avoid the question of whether racism is responsible for the problem he describes, namely the "emergence of classes that diverge on core behaviors and values."

Murray identifies what he calls the "founding virtues," such as marriage, industriousness and religiosity, which have always been considered the social basis of self-government. He looks at whites aged 30 to 49 and divides them into the top 20 percent socio-economically and the bottom 30 percent. The top tier is basically the upper middle class, the bottom the working class. He finds two worlds, increasingly separate and unequal.

In 1960, everyone was married — 88 percent of the upper middle class and 83 percent of the working class. In 2010, 83 percent of the upper middle class is married and only 48 percent of the working class. This gap "amounts to a revolution in the separation of classes." In 1960, births to single

mothers in the working class were 6 percent; now they are close to 50 percent.

When it comes to industriousness, there's the same divergence. In 1960, 1.5 percent of men in the upper middle class were out of the workforce; it's 2 percent now. In 1968, the number for working-class men hit a low of 5 percent; even before the spike in unemployment after the financial crisis, it was 12 percent in 2008. "The deteriorations in industriousness," Murray notes, "have occurred in labor markets that were booming as well as in soft ones."

Although secularization has long been on the rise, it's more pronounced in the working class. Among the upper middle class, 42 percent say they either don't believe in God or don't go to church. In the working class, it's 61 percent. In other words, a majority of the upper middle class still has some religious commitment, while a majority of the working class does not.

These trends mean, just as it is suffering economically, the working class is getting cut off from the richest sources of social capital: Marriage, two-parent families and church-going. More people are falling into a lower class characterized by men who can't make a minimal living and single women with children. Murray argues America can maintain its national power even if these trends continue. With a growing lower class "increasingly unsuited for citizenry in a free society," though, it will no longer be the country we once knew.

He quotes the 19th century observer of American life, Francis Grund: "The American Constitution is remarkable for its simplicity; but it can only suffice a people habitually correct in their actions, and would be utterly inadequate to the wants of a different nation. Change the domestic habits of the Americans, their religious devotion, and their high respect for morality, and it will not be necessary to change a

single letter of the Constitution in order to vary the whole form of their government."

When it comes to saving the American way, balancing the budget is the easy part.

Books without Borders

You have to have a heart of stone not to feel a pang of sadness at the passing of the bookstore Borders.

The retailer is liquidating its 399 remaining outlets and letting go nearly 11,000 employees. Gone will be the era when no shopping mall parking lot in America seemed complete without an adjoining Borders, offering up its capacious aisles to browse for books you had no idea you needed.

Nostalgia aside, the extinction of Borders is the very model of a free market economy at work. The store fell victim to the unyielding injunction of a truly creative economy: "Adapt, or die." It failed to keep up with evolving technology and shifting consumer preferences, and so has been forced to make way for more adept competitors.

This ruthlessly efficient reallocation of resources took place because Borders wasn't big or politically connected enough to get a bailout; because its employees didn't belong to a powerful union favored by the White House; and because it didn't sell something, like green energy, deemed worthy of taxpayer support.

Government exists in an entirely different plane, characterized by stasis and the lack of market or any other kind of discipline. USA Today reports that "federal employees' job security is so great that workers in many agencies are more likely to die of natural causes than get laid off or fired." If Borders were a government agency, its budget would have been fattened up during the past few years, and it'd survive in perpetuity, whatever its merits.

Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

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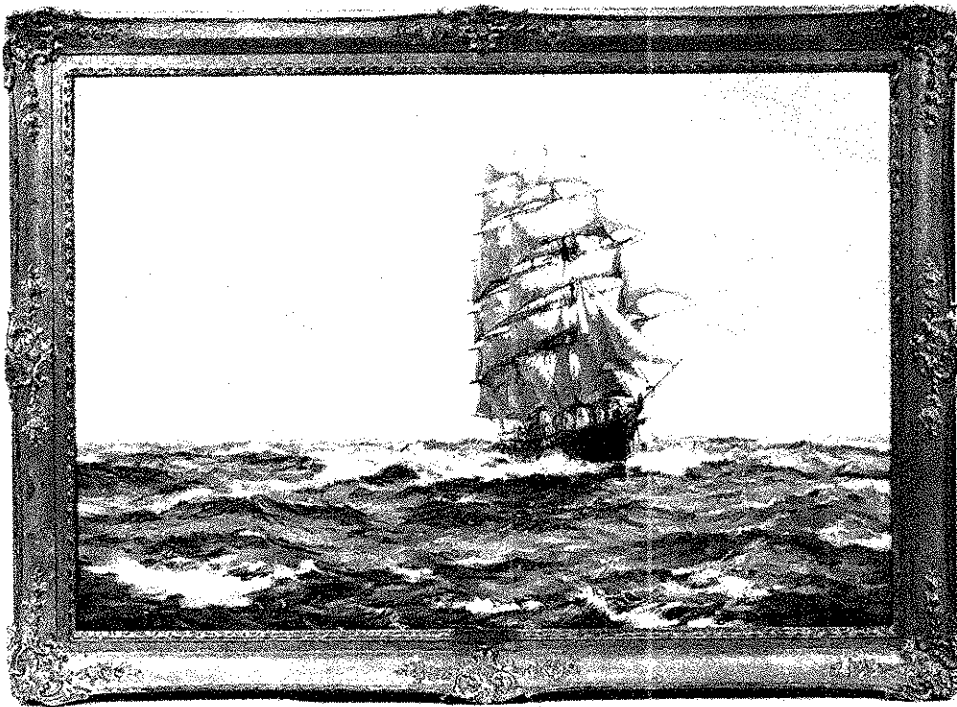
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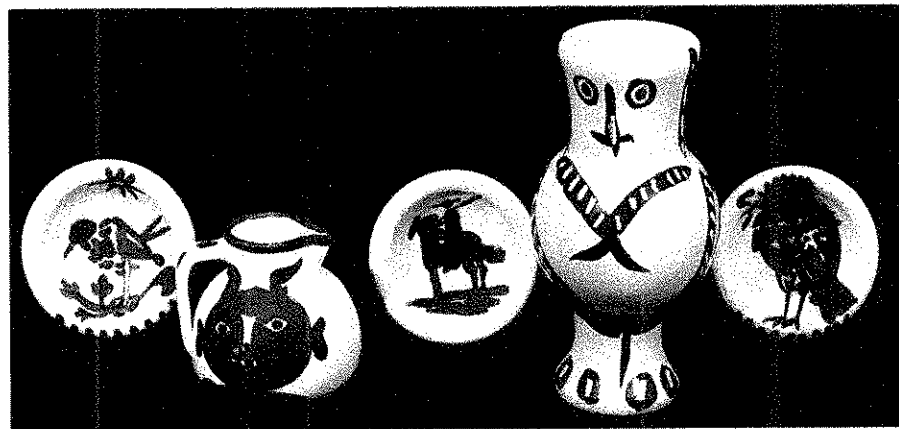
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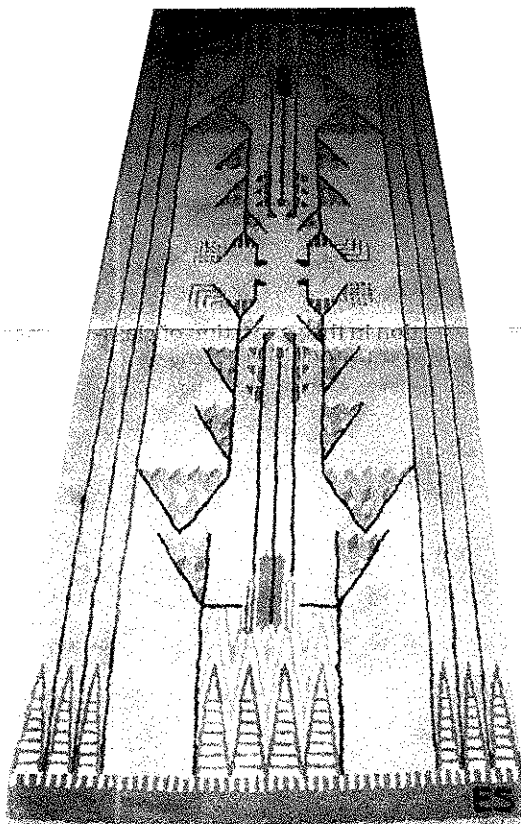
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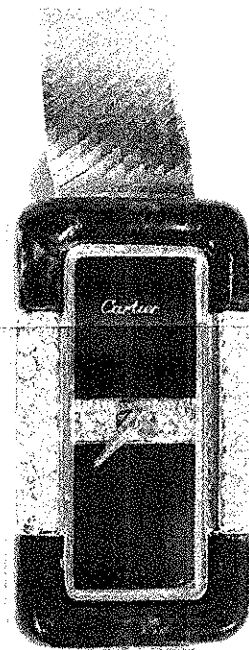
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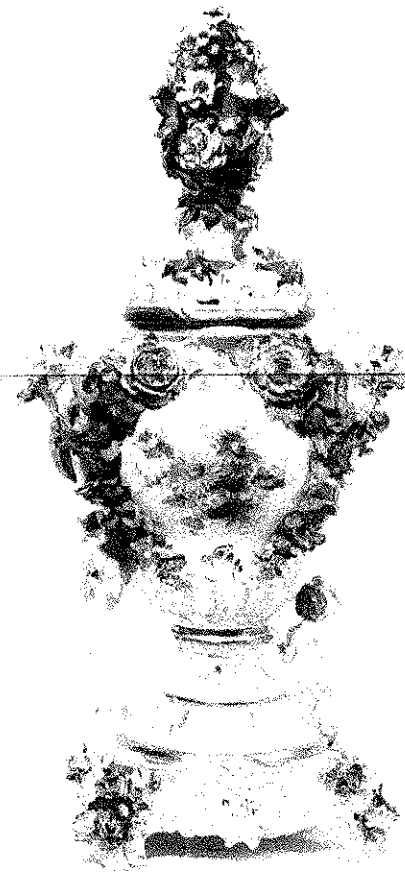
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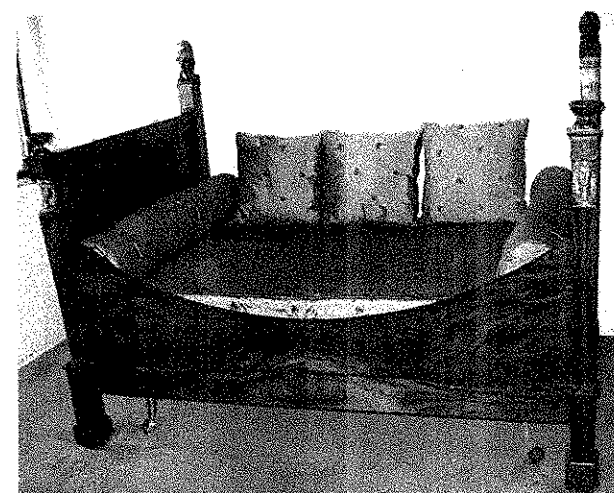
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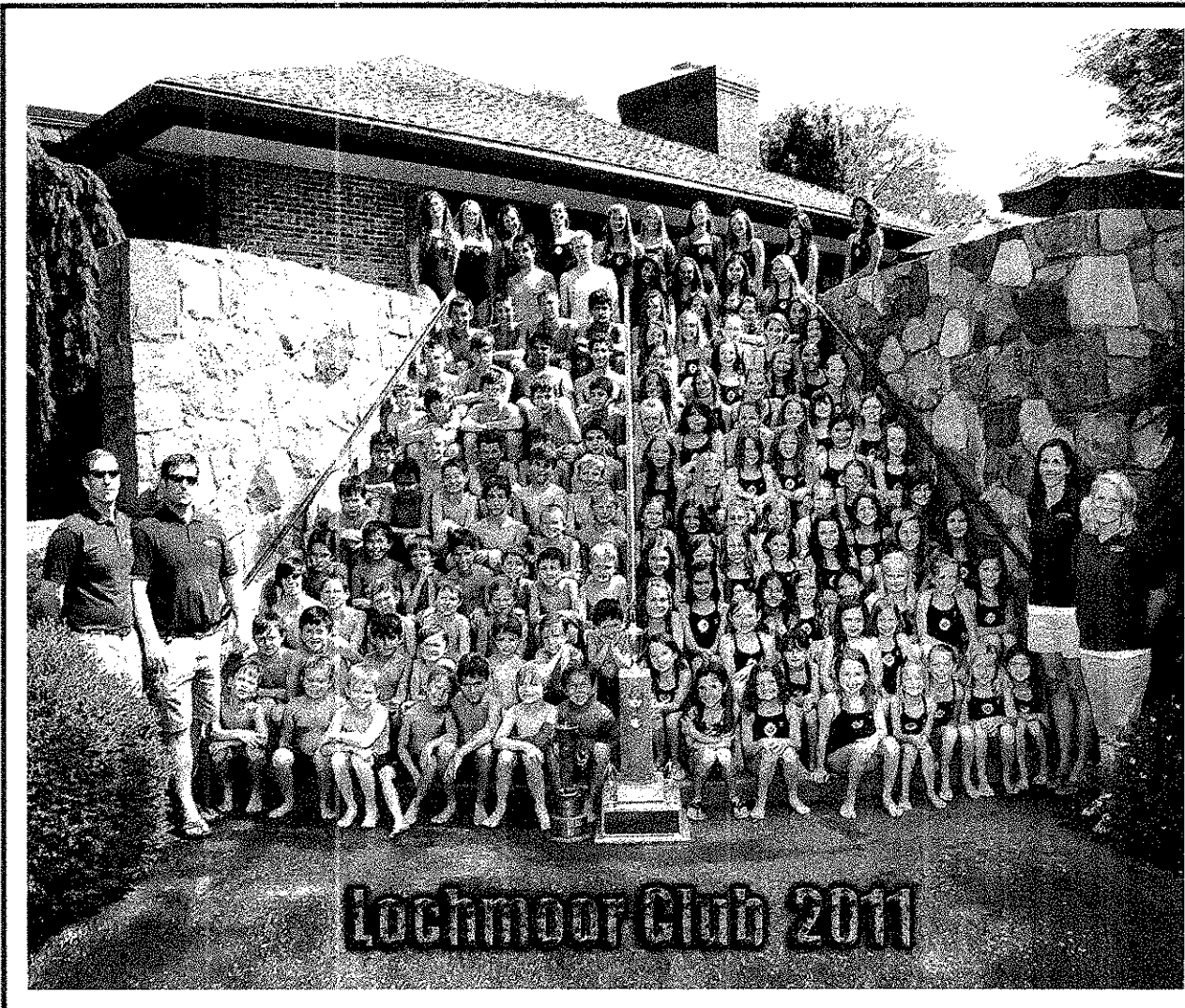


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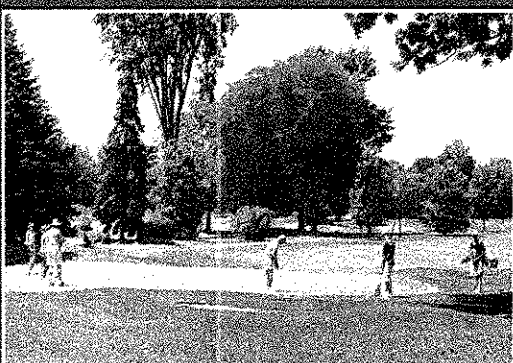
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New superintendent a man of many hats

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

As superintendent of both Glen Lake Community Schools and Suttons Bay Public Schools, Tom Harwood was a man of many hats.

The two districts — spread across 300 miles, with a 40-minute drive between made more arduous by Lake Leelanau dissecting the route — have a combined enrollment of 1,900 students and a budget close to \$20 million. Harwood acted as administrative leader in human resources, curriculum, buildings and grounds/transportation, special education, food services and technology.

"Up there, I'd do anything from, on a snowy day where we got 24 inches in one night, to the next day I'd be out shoveling the steps of the school, to making sure the buses in the garage were running the way they should, to being the director of special education, to ordering the curriculum textbooks for the school, to balancing out the budget and being the business manager of the school district," said Harwood. At the time (2005-2006), he was one of three superintendents in Michigan serving two school districts simultaneously.

That year, it wasn't uncommon for Harwood to start his day at 6 a.m. in Suttons Bay, work until 3 p.m., then drive

to Glen Lake and stay until 11 p.m.

And Fridays, during football season, he attended the first half of one game and drove to watch the second half of the other. Around 10:30 p.m., once events from both schools ended, he traveled four-and-a-half hours to his wife and children in Rochester.

"That was tough," Harwood said of the drive and extended time away from his family. "I'd leave on Friday night from up there, spend the weekend home. We would go through our routine at home and, at about three Sunday afternoon, I would start packing up, leave at four and start heading back upstate.

"I give my wife a lot of credit. She was the cornerstone to making sure everyone was taken care of."

From 1987 to 1997, Harwood worked out of Oakland Schools as a school psychologist and behavior management consultant. He also conducted a private practice.

It was around that time, in 1996, he met Suzanne Klein, the superintendent of the Grosse Pointe Public School System who he'll succeed starting Dec. 31.

"Prior to my coming to the (Grosse Pointe) district, I was asked to come as a consultant — school psychologist consultant — by Dr. Klein to work with a student at Ferry



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Tom Harwood

Elementary School," Harwood said. "Professionally, she was aware of the work I had done as a consultant — maybe went to a few workshops or trainings I provided — and they needed some support for a student and it must've been recommended to her that they contact me."

He completed his work with the student, unaware that some 10 years later, after

splitting time between large and small districts, as administrator and professor, with and away from his family, that he'd receive another call from the district and return as its executive director of student services, serving students with special needs.

He joined Grosse Pointe in May 2006. In so doing, he left the large, but scarcely populated, confines of Suttons Bay and Glen Lake where, accord-

ing to Harwood, "it echoed a lot in the office because, when you had to make a decision, there weren't a lot of people to confide in or discuss those issues," for Grosse Pointe, a community 30 minutes from his Rochester house.

"It's just every time there was an opportunity that really kind of captured what I like to do, that's where it played out," Harwood said of Grosse Pointe.

He later was promoted to assistant superintendent of human resources and labor relations and is soon to be superintendent, a role of which he's better equipped for largely due to his experiences in Suttons Bay and Glen Lake.

"When you're the superintendent of a small school district, you wear a lot of hats because you have to and that was good training here because you have an appreciation for all the different duties for each and every department here," Harwood said. "I think I'm able to better ask the questions that need to be asked because I have an appreciation for what are the duties and responsibilities for those who work in those different capacities."

"I think I've just been fortunate with each experience I've had. It's allowed me to continue to be at a different place and time, and this next place and time is being the next superintendent of Grosse Pointe schools."

Professional and administrative experience:

•Grosse Pointe Public Schools, 2006-present, executive director of student services, assistant superintendent of human resources and labor negotiations and superintendent (starting Dec. 31, 2011).

•Suttons Bay and Glen Lake Community Schools, 2005-2006, dual superintendent.

•Suttons Bay Public Schools, 2003-2006, superintendent.

•Grand Valley State University, 2003-present, adjunct faculty, department of education.

•Lake Orion Community Schools, 1999-2003, executive director of student services.

•Center Line Public Schools, 1997-1999, elementary principal.

•Eastern Michigan University, 1997-1998, adjunct instructor, department of educational leadership and counseling.

•Saginaw Valley State University, 1995-1997, adjunct instructor.

•Oakland University, 1987-present, adjunct instructor, school of human development and child studies and school psychologist/behavior management consultant.

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The changing landscape in education

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

With debates on education reform, common core standards and more advanced standardized testing sweeping the state, the fundamental principle in everything is the educational landscape in Michigan is changing.

And while students in the Grosse Pointe Public School System are generally more proficient than the state average in terms of standardized testing, district officials still are open to change to provide what's con-

sidered the best learning environment for students.

"I believe we still continue to polish the stone of our academic excellence over the next several years," the district's new superintendent, Tom Harwood, said.

"What we're going to find is we're going to get a lot of data on students and our responsibility in the next few years is to effectively use that data to determine how we can align the most effective and most efficient way of teaching students.

"We're going to have to be willing to break down some tra-

ditional barriers of education to be able to provide a new wave of education experiences for kids."

According to education experts and research, the current "best practice" approach to effectiveness and efficiency is 21st Century teaching and learning.

Through instructional technology and real-world data, students receive a globally-based, more individualized focus to teaching and learning, providing them the necessary tools and expertise to better prepare them for life outside of

high school.

"We need to be a year or two ahead of where we envision kids needing to be and 21st Century learning is really important to be able to do that," Harwood said.

"It's one of those things where you can't wait until it's too late.

"If you look at instructional technology and how fast that train is moving, we need to keep pace as quickly as possible. By the time we think we've got it, we're already needing to move on to the next piece, so we're going to have to keep

moving and moving fast."

That move, according to Harwood, consists of two parallel activities that eventually intersect.

The first is to study the district's current instructional technology and teach teachers and staff to utilize it to its fullest capacity.

The second is to look at possible gaps in technology use, and research other districts' usage and study the positives and negatives of their methods and impact.

"There are things we'd want to use instructional technology-

wise where kids are the drivers of their education," Harwood said. "So they can use instructional technology drive and support that. I've seen that from elementary all through high school. Those are the types of things we'd like to instill into our curriculum.

"I think a lot of our discussions administratively that'll trickle down and carry over to the classroom is to talk about 21st Century education and what it means," Harwood said.

"I've always said it's going to change the landscape of what we do."

School briefs

Online registration for secondary students

The Grosse Pointe Public School System is going digital.

For the 2011-2012 school year, the district requires all secondary school students to pre-register online through its website by completing a two-step process.

The first step is a mandatory review of the district's "Technology Acceptable Use" and "Code of Conduct" policies, as well as required grade-specific documentation.

Step two encompasses a visit to the e-store, an online replacement of the school voucher form allowing families to purchase items such as gym uniforms and yearbooks, and pay Parent Teacher Organization dues and participation fees.

Completing the process is required to attend school registration. Without a pre-registration receipt and a signed emergency form, students won't receive their schedules.

According to the district website, families without online capabilities may schedule a time to use the school computers.

To pre-register online, visit gpschools.org.

School board election deadline

The deadline to file candidacy for the upcoming school board election is fast approaching.

Interested parties must fill out two forms — petition (or pay an optional \$100 fee) and affidavit — at the Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Office by 4 p.m. Aug. 16.

For more information, contact the municipal office at (313) 822-6200.

Academy announces new lunch program

Providing a healthier lifestyle for students, the Grosse Pointe Academy partnered with Plum Market for a new lunch service program at the school.

The new program — PlumSmart — focuses on health, natural ingredients and taste, and is managed by food service coordinator and executive chef Kelly Toone.

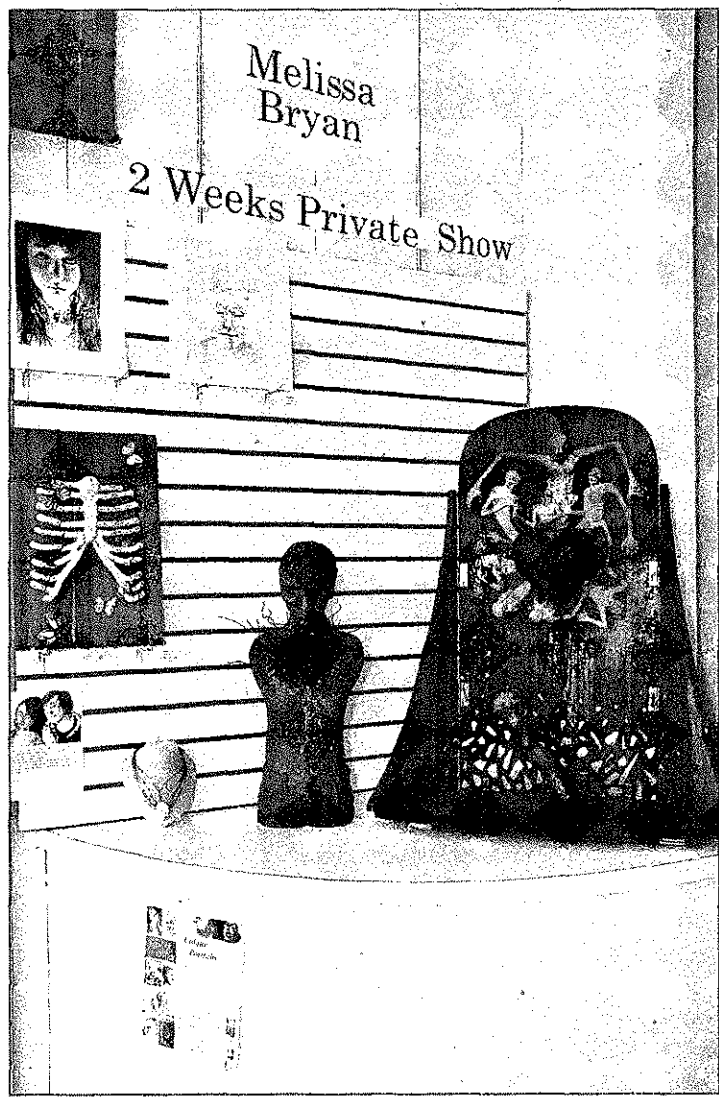
"The Grosse Pointe Academy is proud to support a local business and build upon our mission to emphasize the growth of each child with the PlumSmart food service program," interim head of school Michael J. Kennedy said.



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The Plum Market food service team, from left, co-founder Marc Jonna; chef and director of prepared foods, Rebecca Wauldron; executive chef and food service coordinator, Kelly Toone; executive chef, Randy Weed; and catering coordinator, Catherine Wright.

Exhibition shines light on South grad's work



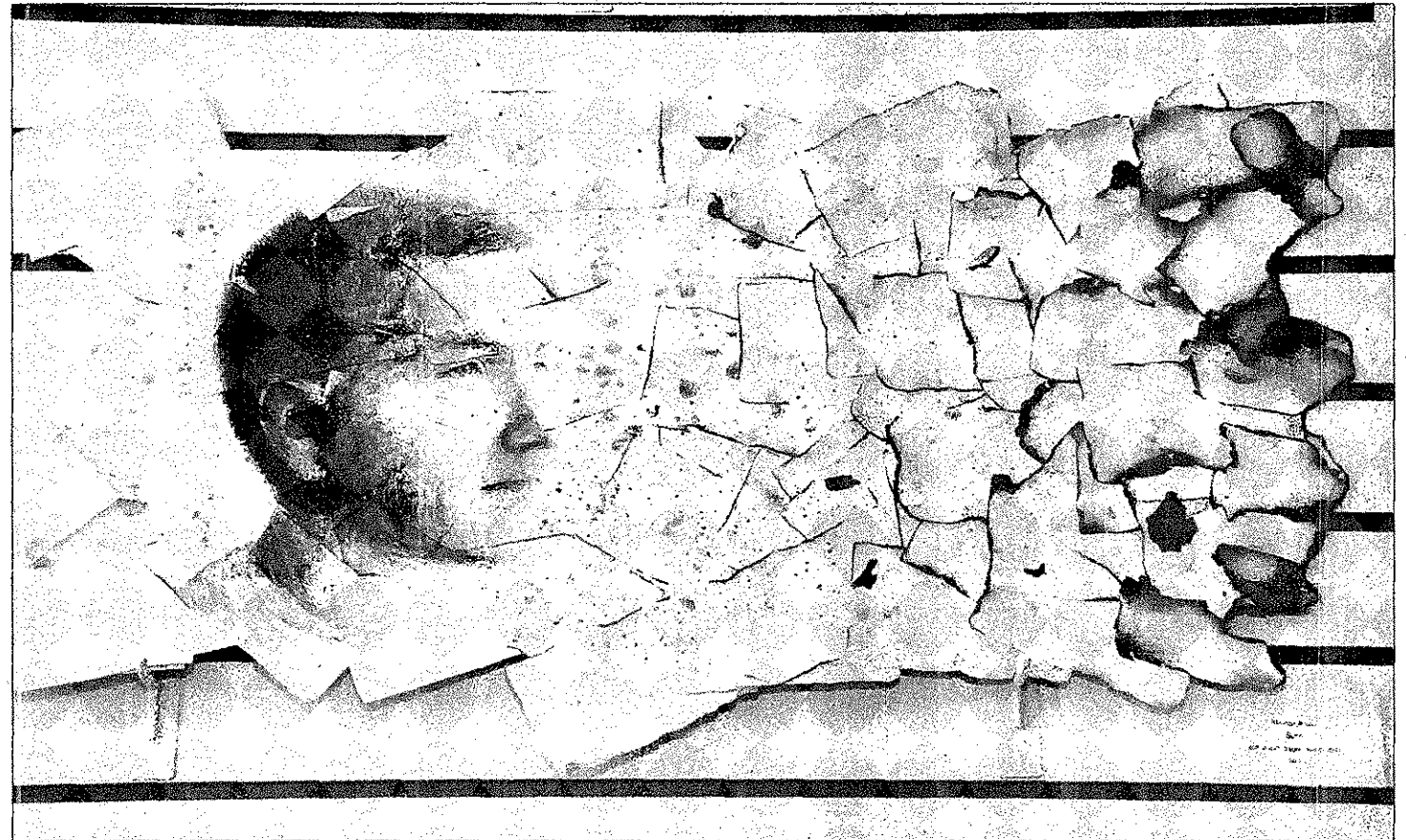
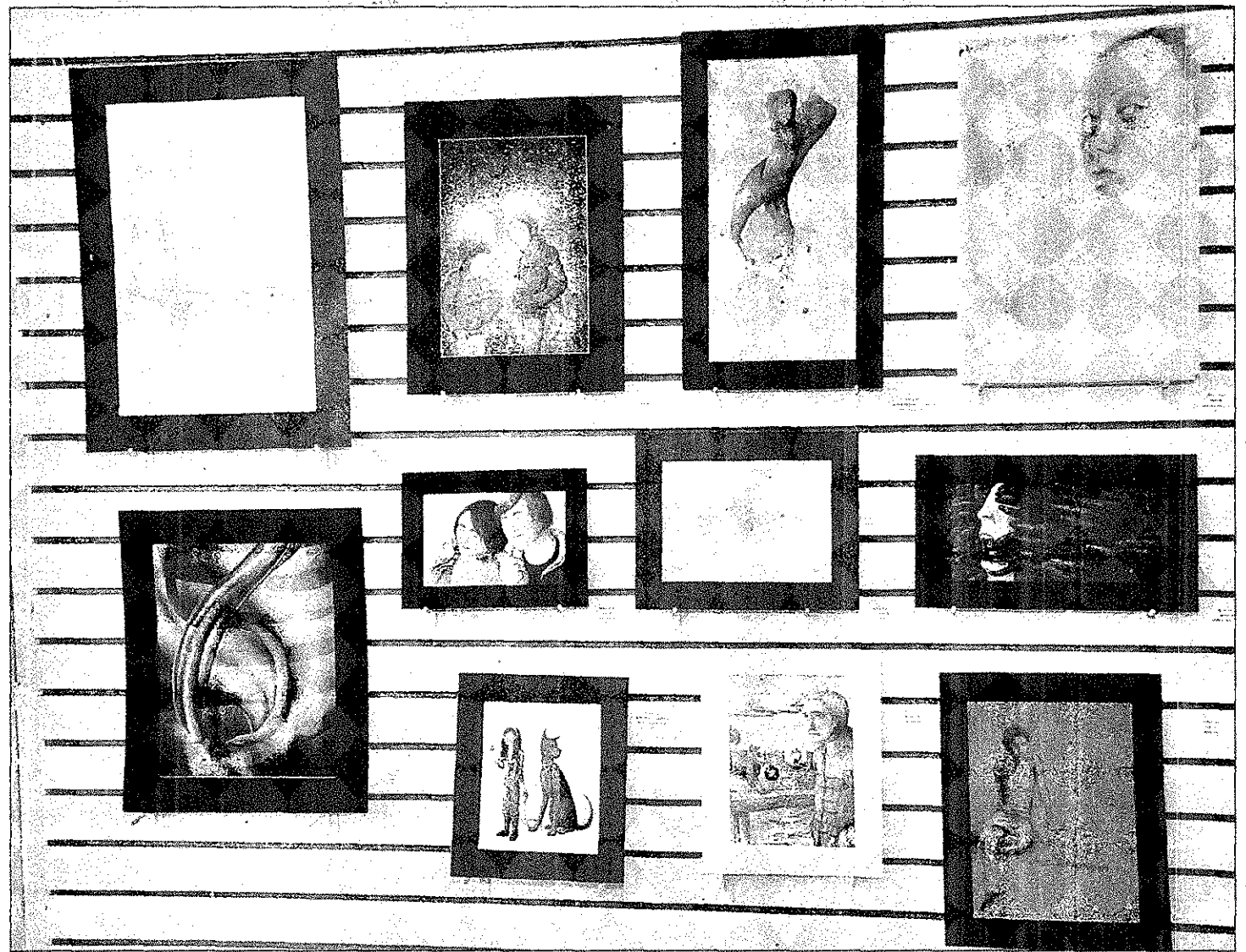
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For the second straight year, Grosse Pointe South graduate Melissa Bryan exhibited her work at the Grosse Pointe Art Center during its annual "Our Rivers, Our Lakes" exhibition. Bryan won best of show and a Scholastics Gold Key award at South's art fest in April. She is attending Carnegie Mellon University, a research university in Pittsburgh, PA, known for its arts and technology programs.

Above, her exhibit featured about two dozen works, including sculptures, paintings, drawings, photography and other media.

Top right, a brief sampling of Bryan's illustrations, drawings and paintings.

Right, Bryan's work, entitled "Burn," consists of ash water, paper and watercolors.



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OBITUARIES

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Marshall Noecker

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Marshall Noecker, 96, died Monday, Aug. 1, 2011.

Born on a farm June 10, 1915, in Sanborn, N.D., he always remembered his North Dakota roots, especially as the place where he developed his will to succeed.

He graduated in 1938 from the University of Minnesota and in 1939 received the 732nd CPA license granted in the United States.

Mr. Noecker operated multiple businesses in the aluminum industry. His last, and largest firm, International Extrusions, is the largest employer in Garden City.

He rose above personal tragedy, losing at a young age his wife, Harriett, mother of his four oldest children. He then married Sandra Wilkinson Noecker, a mother of two young sons. Together, Marshall and Sandra had two more children. He was most proud of raising his family of eight children.

He came to Detroit in 1946 to work for Kaufmann Window and Door, America's first aluminum storm window maker. He purchased the company in 1952, and became a pioneer in the post-war aluminum industry. He was an early manufacturer of aluminum outdoor chairs, awnings, windows, doors, bus shelters and entranceways.

Mr. Noecker was a founding member of the Michigan Chapter of the Young Presidents Organization and ran on a statewide ticket for the Republican Party in 1960 with George Romney.

He also was a founding member of St. James Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Farms, of which he was its first treasurer.

Mr. Noecker loved traveling. His magnetic personality brought him into contact with many of the 20th century's well-known personalities, such as his life-long friend, Trammel Crow, and his first employer and mentor, Andrew Higgins.

While working for the Higgins Boat Co. during World War II, Mr. Noecker worked with then Sen. Harry S. Truman when the senator came to review the company for the U.S. Senate. His career brought him close to several presidents of the United States, British prime ministers, Asian royalty and U.S. business tycoons. Mr. Noecker's good friend, Tony Spellar, a member of English Parliament, introduced him to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, with whom he swapped signed copies of their memoirs.

Author of six books, Mr. Noecker will be missed by

those who knew him and loved him.

Mr. Noecker is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sandra; son, Richard Spangler; son, Gregory Spangler, his wife, Merrilee and their children, Duncan and Victoria; son, Nicholas Noecker, his wife, Danielly and their daughters, Ava and Bebe and his daughter, Alexandra Ferrara, her husband, Dr. Richard Ferrara and their sons, Richard and Marshall.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Harriett. He is survived by his children with Harriett: son, Marshall Noecker, his wife, Carlee and their daughters, Dana and Lindsey; daughter, Ann Dawson, her husband, Murray and their daughters, Lauren and Letitia; son, William Noecker, his wife, Peggy and their children, Drew and Leah; daughter, Nancy Debosek and her husband, Dick.

He also is survived by his great-grandson, Maxwell.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at his longtime church home, St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan Road, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

James B. Eathorne Jr.

James B. Eathorne Jr., 61, died Monday, July 25, 2011, in Hudson, Fla.

Born in Detroit to James B. and Jane S. Eathorne, he graduated from Finney High School in 1968 and attended Wayne State University.

Mr. Eathorne worked more than 20 years in sales and as head of operations for Whiting Distribution Services. He then moved to Florida in 2004 and owned two restaurants. He sold the restaurants and enjoyed retirement in Florida.

Mr. Eathorne loved life and especially enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He also enjoyed sailing on the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair.

During his time in Grosse Pointe, he was active in Christ Church Grosse Pointe and the Detroit Yacht Club.

Mr. Eathorne is survived by his wife, Kathleen; daughters, Sheri (Anthony) Orlando and Britony Eathorne; grandson, James Orlando and sisters, Gail Tolles and Elizabeth (Gerald) Nobert.

A memorial service will be held in the spring to honor and celebrate his life.

Donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 24445 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075.

Patrick J. O'Grady

Former Grosse Pointe resident Patrick J. O'Grady, 61, died Wednesday, July 27, 2011. He had been living in St. Clair Shores.

Born Nov. 6, 1949, in Detroit, Mr. O'Grady was a restaurateur for more than 30 years. It was in this venue he demonstrated his love and lust for life and the many people he met along the way.

He enjoyed spending time at his cottage in Port Huron which provided many cherished memories.

Mr. O'Grady is survived by his loving wife, F. Karla; son, Dominic; siblings, Kathleen (Richard) Bordogna, Rosemary (Joseph) Wortman, Margaret (the late Patrick) Burns, Mary O'Grady and Michael (Jane) O'Grady; his sister-in-law, Patty O'Grady and many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

He was predeceased by his dear parents, Ruth M. and James A. O'Grady and his brother, James O'Grady.

A funeral Mass was celebrated July 30 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Michael William Nehra

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Michael William Nehra, 63, died peacefully Sunday, Aug. 7, 2011, surrounded by his wife and children at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He fought a long and courageous battle against kidney cancer.

He was born June 9, 1948 in Detroit to Backus "Turk" and Barbara Nehra and graduated from Notre Dame High School in Harper Woods in 1966.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army who served in the Vietnam War.

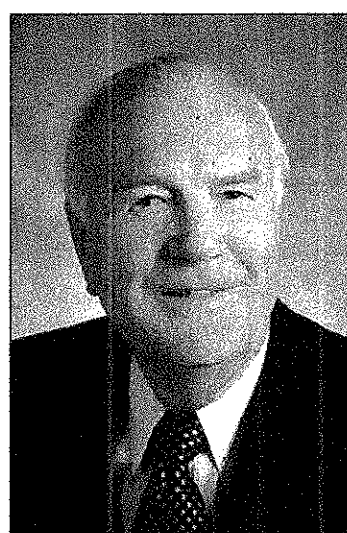
Mr. Nehra enjoyed golfing, boating and sports and was a member of the American Legion.

Mr. Nehra is survived by his loving wife, Laura; adoring children, Kellie (James) Fanaras, Jennifer (Eric) Hoffman, Jade and Michael R. and dear grandchildren, Joshua and Autumn Fanaras and Michael, Kathryn, Jane, Colin and Sydney Hoffman.

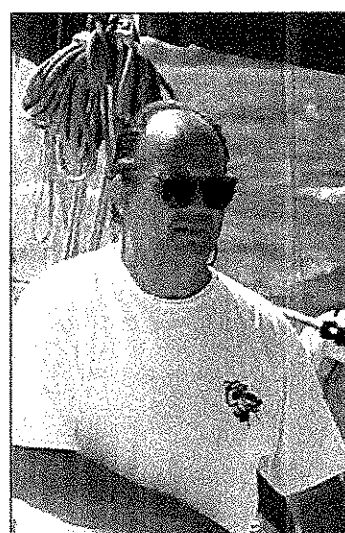
He also is survived by his mother, Barbara; mother- and father-in-law, Shirley and Robert Elliott; sisters, Michele Leonard, Mary (Kim) Waldo and Joan Sherburn; brothers, John, Vern and Phil (Jill) and many loving family members and friends.

He was predeceased by his father.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon, Friday, Aug. 12, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier



Marshall Noecker



James B. Eathorne Jr.



Patrick J. O'Grady



Michael William Nehra



Barbara Townson Weller



William O. Bradley Jr.

Road, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins at 11:30 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to the Michael W. Nehra Memorial Fund.

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Barbara Townson Weller

Barbara Townson Weller, 88, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died peacefully Thursday, Aug. 4, 2011, at home.

"Boo" as her friends affectionately called her, lived life to the fullest. Laughter, a strong sense of humor, and speaking her mind were hallmarks.

She was a strong supporter and volunteer for several local charitable organizations, including the Neighborhood Club and Sigma Gamma, where she served on the boards of directors.

Mrs. Weller's passions included bridge games and the Detroit Lions, the team she loyally followed for more than 60 years.

She was born in Rochester, N.Y., May 17, 1923. She graduated from Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Conn., in 1941 and then attended Sarah Lawrence University. During World War II, she worked for Pan American Airlines in Miami.

She married Gordon A. Weller, also of Rochester, in 1948 and they moved to Detroit, where he went to work for Bundy Tubing Co.

Mrs. Weller is survived by a son, Gordon "Tim" Weller, daughter-in-law, Lynn Van Dine Weller, of Chatham, Mass., and three grandchildren. Her husband, Gordon, and a daughter, Leslie, died in 2003.

Her memorial service will be private. She will be interred at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Chatham, Mass., where she owned a summer home.

William O. Bradley Jr.

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident William Oscar Bradley Jr., 94, passed away Saturday, July 30, 2011, under the compassionate care of the staff at Beechwood Manor and St. John's Hospice.

Mr. Bradley, known as Brad to his many friends and associates, was born Aug. 8, 1916, in Washington, D.C., the only child of William and Julia.

He joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation after earning his accounting degree from Strayer College. He served as a special agent in Omaha, Neb., El Paso, Texas, and Miami. He was transferred to the Detroit office where he met and married his wife, Betty.

He advanced to assistant special agent in charge of the Detroit office and, after retiring from the FBI, served as vice president of Michigan Consolidated Gas Company.

The son of southerners with deep roots in the Carolinas and Maryland, Mr. Bradley was a true Southern gentleman —

honorable, dependable and gracious. His family's law firm was responsible for securing all the international permits and contracts for the first transcontinental underwater cables for AT&T.

A world traveler, he logged flights on the Concord, trips on the Orient Express and spent many Boxer Day holidays in London. A life-long horseman, he courted his wife on the dirt roads of Cook Road to and from the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

A member of numerous community organizations, including Kiwanis and the Masons, he was a past president of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club. He never missed a luncheon at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial with his friends.

He was a past member of the Detroit Boat Club, Lochmoor Club, the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and Circumnavigators. He was also a deacon and elder at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Bradley is survived by his two children, William, "Bill," of Grosse Pointe Park and Ann, of New York City.

He was predeceased by his wife, Betty, in 2010.

Donations may be made to CANDER of Michigan, 8619 Edgewood Park Drive, Commerce Township, MI 48382 or the National Parkinson Foundation at parkinson.org.

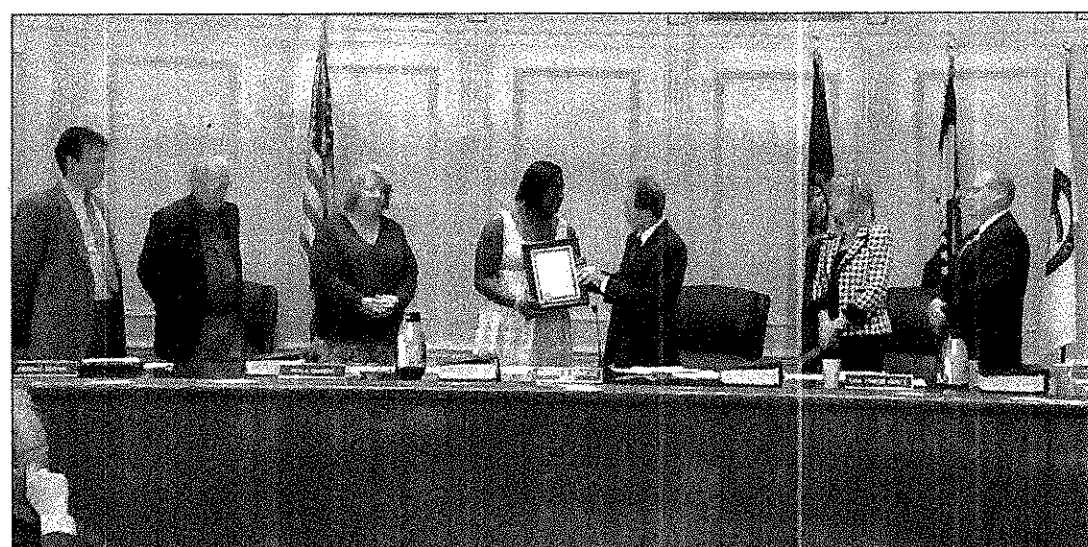
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Grosse Pointe Woods City Council presented Woods resident Nicole Strickland with a special send-off before she entered the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. Strickland, a 2011 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, was a member of the National Honor Society and played field hockey, basketball and soccer. She received the "Most Dedicated Norseman Athlete" in 2011 and was the recipient of the University of Iowa Silver Key High School Scholastic Arts and Writing Award. "We're all very proud of you," Mayor Robert Novitke said, "and we wish you all the best at the Coast Guard academy."

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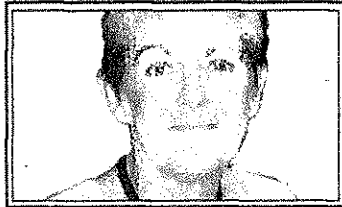
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Cars welcome museum visitors



Kirby Road between Woodward and Cass was closed to every-day traffic July 27. But it was filled with cars, including a spectacular 1931 Chrysler CD 8, a flashy 2007 Mustang GT and a near-perfect 1949 Pontiac.

This was one of several "story" days during a week of free events at the Detroit Historical Museum attracting good crowds. Cars were the mid-week story subject.

We chanced to learn of it when a radio announcer raved about the cool cars he saw at the museum.

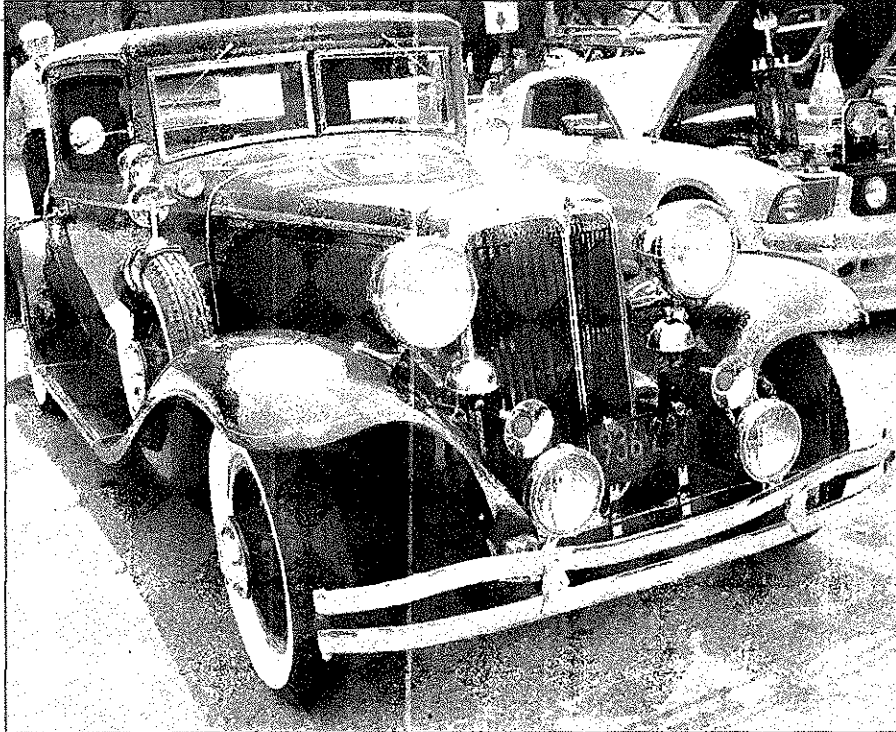
So we drove down to take a look.

Among the owner participants were Gary and Sue Scheiwe, of Grosse Pointe Park, and Dave Marchioni, of St. Clair Shores. The Scheiwe's brought their 1935 Ford 48 Fordor Deluxe touring sedan.

Marchioni was showing the 1968 Ford LTD Country Squire nine-passenger station wagon he bought two years ago. He said the black 4,100-pound car originally had been painted gold.

It was no match for the beautiful 1931 Chrysler, but hey: "It's a daily driver," he said.

Jenny King is an automotive writer who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.

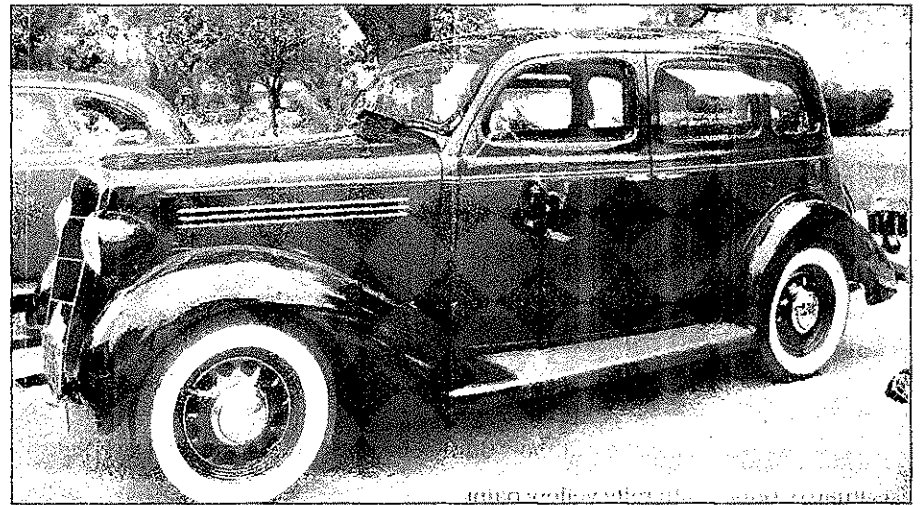
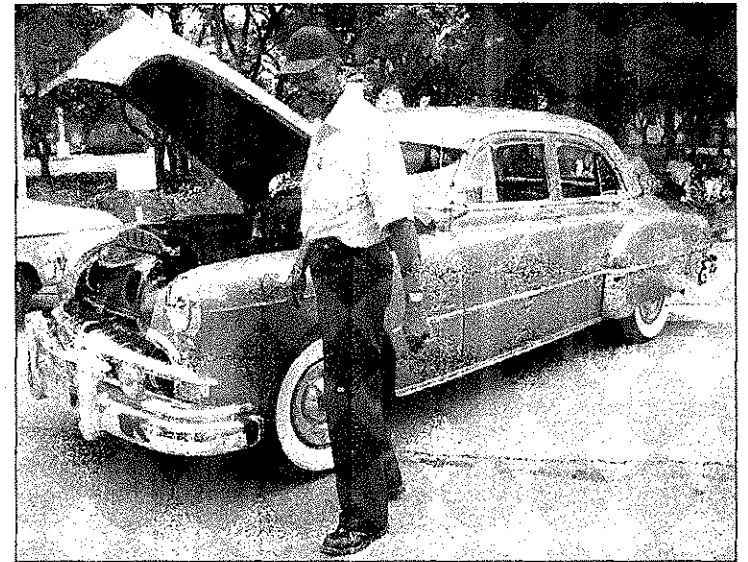


Richard Shuman, of West Bloomfield, parked his elegant 1931 Chrysler CD 8 Deluxe sedan, above, near the corner of West Kirby and Woodward Avenue. Katie Haddad's 2007 Mustang GT, above, right, obviously had a lot of upgrades in its short lifespan.

A museum guest, right, strolls around the spotless gray 1949 Pontiac sedan owned by Larry and Pat Keehn, of Waterford. The Keehns also brought their 1955 Pontiac Star Chief two-door hardtop and 1957 Pontiac Chieftain hardtop Pace Car. This four-door 1977 Ford Maverick, below, belongs to Dale Suich, of Dearborn. A 1935 Plymouth PJE sedan, below, right, belonging to Jerry Erickson, of Westland, was among cars categorized as "original."



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2012 Chevrolet Sonic

The youthful engineers developing the 2012 Chevrolet Sonic are clockwise, John Buttermore, lead development engineer; Seth Valentine, program quality manager; Tessa Baughman, development engineer — energy; and Joaquin Nuno-Whelan, vehicle line director and vehicle chief engineer. The team has created a faster, safer and more connected vehicle with an improved powertrain and increased horsepower.

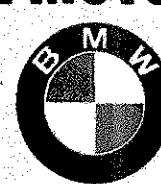


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2012 Transformers Camaro

The 2012 Transformers Special Edition Camaro with dealer-installed 21-inch, black-painted wheels and a black ground-effects package, closely resembles the Autobot "Bumblebee" in "Transformers: Dark Side of the Moon." It is available this fall on 2LT and 2SS Camaro Coupes with rally yellow paint.

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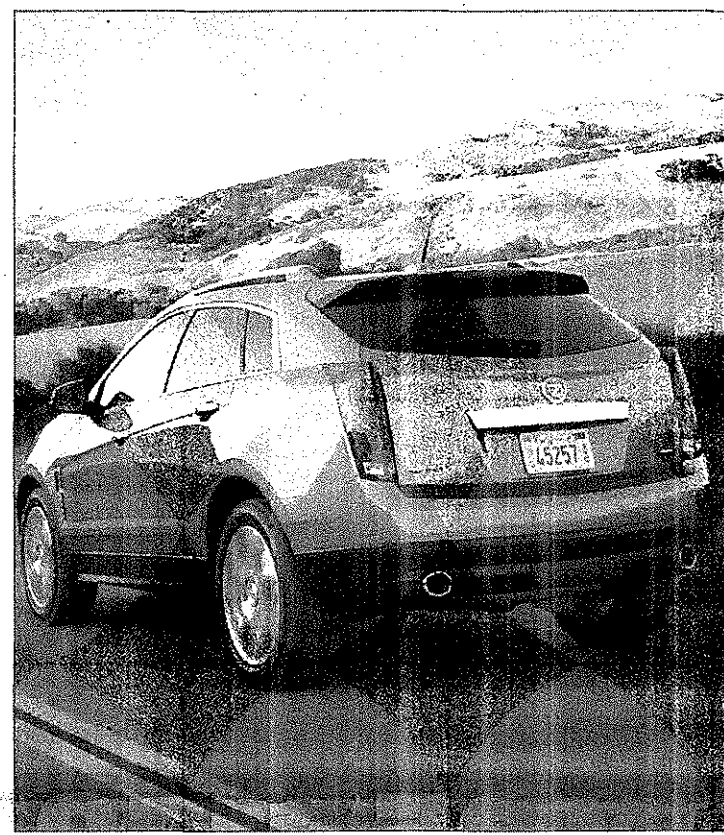
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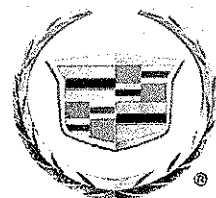
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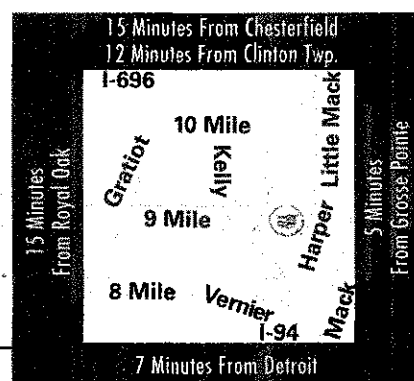
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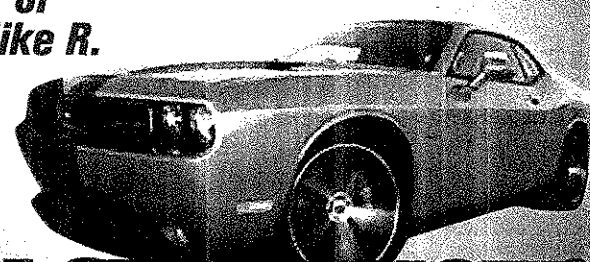
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The need for life-sustaining water

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Erica Crossland is providing the sweat equity to build a new life. With the assistance of volunteers from the Grosse Pointes, Crossland and her children plan to move into a **Habitat for Humanity** house before the snow flies.

Home for the holidays

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

Detroit's Erica Crossland has big and exciting plans. She will be home for the holidays.

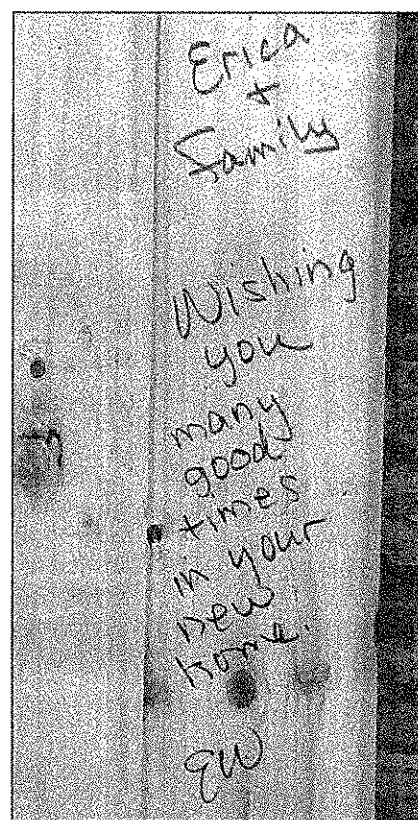
Her four-bedroom Habitat for Humanity house on Maryland, east of Warren, should be ready by Christmas.

There she and her children will spend Christmas in their first house. And it will be a surprise to her three children, Saraya, 7, Eric, 5, and Eunice, 3 1/2, now living in a two-bedroom apartment.

"My son asked me if we could get one of those houses," she said, having gone on a Habitat house tour. "I said, 'We'll see.'"

Crossland, knowing a deadline is looming, took a week's vacation from her Comerica job during a steamy week in late July to work on her house. Both working on the house and taking classes in home repair and credit counseling are part of Habitat house ownership. Crossland must complete 250 hours of sweat equity and classes before becoming a homeowner.

"The whole process is not an easy process," she said of becoming a



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Left, Erica Crossland trims window material.

Above, a thoughtful note was inked onto one of the house's studs.

Habitat owner, but it is rewarding. "I love the program," she said.

Blitz

Crossland applied to the Habitat program in April 2010. More than a year later, she is seeing her patience pay off as she works on the window framing. Her 1,250 square foot house is one of four being built during Phase I of Habitat for Humanity Detroit's 25th anniversary building blitz in the Morningside area, which encompasses Maryland and Lakepointe in Detroit. The second building blitz is Aug. 16 - 20 and a third is scheduled for Sept. 19 - 24, again working on Maryland and Lakepointe houses.

During the past 25 years, the Detroit Habitat chapter has built nearly 300 houses and rehabilitated 24 in five Detroit neighborhoods. Their commitment is to complete 25 by the end of 2012 — and one of those is Crossland's.

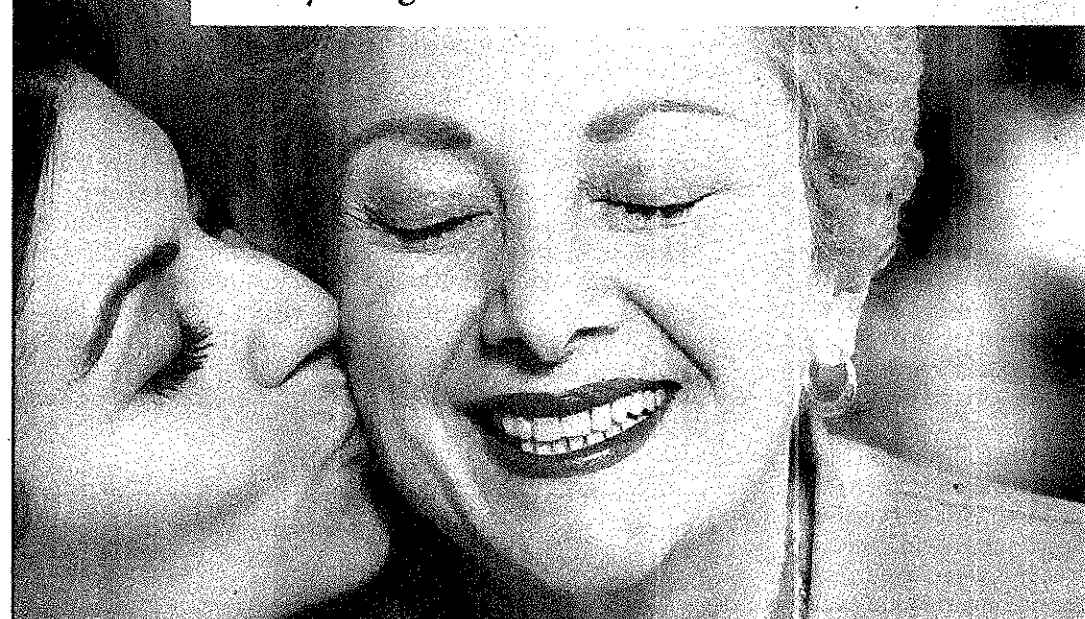
Hammering alongside Crossland are her uncle, a nephew, are members of Habitat Grosse Pointe Partners and volunteers, some from Tennessee and California.

A dozen Grosse Pointe churches

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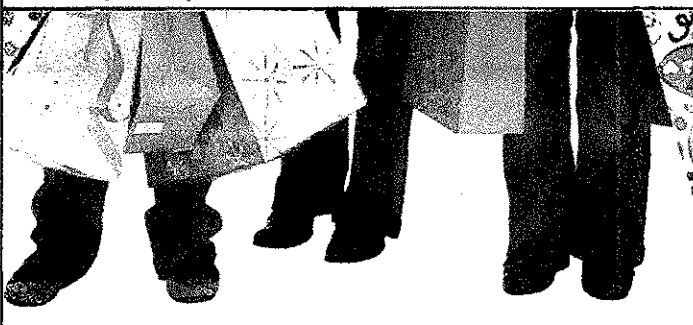
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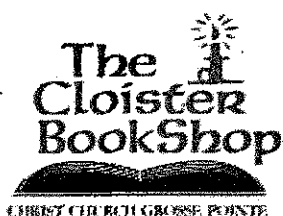


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Yesterday's Headlines



FROM THE AUG. 10, 1961, ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

1961: Fatal crash

This car went out of control on Lakeshore Road near Newberry Place killing the driver and his passenger. A utility pole was sheared off and a tree knocked down during the accident.

Editor's note: The following excerpts appear as they were printed in the Grosse Pointe News.

1961

50 years ago this week

♦ **SUMMER SCHOOL SETS RECORD:** The largest enrollment in history was recorded in the Grosse Pointe public schools summer session this year. More than 1,500 pupils, an increase of nearly 25 percent over last year's total, were in attendance.

♦ **VERNIER ROAD RESIDENTS BATTLE BAN ON PARKING:** Angry residents of Vernier Road protested noisily last week the parking ban on both sides of their street.

They gathered at the Woods municipal building Thursday evening to discuss the issue with representatives from the State Highway Department, which recently placed no parking signs from the city's western limits to Sunningdale drive.

♦ **LIFEGUARDS' EFFORTS SAVE BOY'S LIFE:** Three lifeguards at the Park municipal beach showed the effectiveness of teamwork in saving the life of a 14-year-old Detroit boy.

The boy tried to swim from the strip of land extending into the river at the foot of Alter Road, to the large dock at the park, but did not quite make it. About half way, lifeguard Terry Gibney observed the boy from his lookout stand. He called two other lifeguards, Paul Van Hall and Jeff Orhan. Gibney and Van Hall leaped into a motorboat as Orhan dove into the

water. The boat reached the boy just as he was going down. The lifeguards pulled the boy into the boat and brought him safely to the park. Orhan swam back.

1986

25 years ago this week

♦ **REPORTED INVESTIGATION ISN'T:** Grosse Pointe Woods city attorney George Catlin said he doesn't believe his city is being investigated for possible racial discrimination in municipal hiring.

Reportedly, governmental investigators are in the process of determining whether residency requirements of Detroit suburbs, including the Woods and the Park, have prevented minority job applicants from being hired.

♦ **DROWNINGS RULED ACCIDENTAL:** The bodies recovered from Lake St. Clair last week have been identified and their deaths classified as accidental by Grosse Pointe police. The man and woman were coworkers at a White Castle restaurant at Harper and Eleven Mile.

The pair left work in the early morning with a fellow employee. All three drove down toward Grosse Pointe, where the couple dropped off the third man. Then the couple went for a walk along the Lakeshore Road breakwall and apparently fell in. One body was recovered within hours; the other was found two days later.

Farms Det. George Van Tiem was convinced the deaths were accidental. He said he had test-

ed the top of the wall for slipperiness and nearly fell in himself, even knowing about the conditions.

♦ **BREAK-INS FORCE DISTRICT TO ADD SECURITY TO SCHOOLS:** How does the Grosse Pointe Public School System protect its close to \$50 million in buildings and equipment?

That question is being asked more and more often around the administration building at 389 St. Clair this year, since South High School has been robbed several times in the first few months of this year.

While school officials are reluctant to discuss details of the security steps they've taken, they do say several thousand dollars of security equipment has been added to South so far.

2001

10 years ago this week

♦ **HUNT CLUB PLANS TO BUILD TEMPORARY BARN:** Grazing horses perked their ears and looked up from nearby fields last week to see flatbed trucks hauling earth-moving equipment up the long driveway of the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

Workmen arrived to clear charred remains of the club's 2 1/2-story main barn that

burned to the ground July 8. Preparations are being made for a new barn.

♦ **COURT DEALS A BLOW TO PINE WOODS AREA DEVELOPER:** Vernier Woods, a local land development firm, received a setback when a Wayne County Circuit Court judge ruled against a plan that would have allowed two homes at the end of Lothrop and Charlevoix, known as the Pine Woods.

2006

Five years ago this week

♦ **MAN GETS LIFE IN CITY HOMICIDE:** Months after two men had been charged with the shooting death of Barbara Ann Iske, jurors took less than three hours last month to convict Joseph Marasco and Derrick Thompson of first degree murder and other charges in Iske's June 14, 2005, murder.

♦ **MISSING BOATER DECLARED DEAD:** Almost one year after Charles Rutherford Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms went missing on Lake Huron, a northern Michigan judge has ruled that he died along with his boating companion, although his body never surfaced.

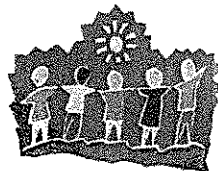
—Compiled by Karen Fontanive



Child's work

The Grosse Pointe Art Center hosted a juried exhibit featuring art created by 22 children under the tutelage of Hala Besmar. From left, Besmar, second place winner, Mollie DeBrunner, of Grosse Pointe Park, and City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Dale Scrase. First place drawing by 10-year-old Kristina Rogers titled, "Standing Tall, Beavertail Point" was given a first place in the drawing category and 8-year-old Maegan Daher took first place with her painting titled, "Summer in the Philippines, Sunday." Second place acrylic painting, "Just Having a Whale of a Time," went to 11-year-old Mollie DeBrunner; best of show, "Smile, the Summer Storm," was given to 11-year-old Riley Lynch; and second place painting titled, "Summer Monsters" was awarded to 17-year-old Alexander Budnick.

While parents need to be away...
Children are welcome to come and play!



Mornings @ Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church announces the opening of **Mornings @ Memorial** their new state licensed Parents' Day Out and Early Childcare Center. Beginning in September, children ages 18 months through preschool are welcome to join. Our staff provides a welcoming experience in a safe and stimulating Christian environment that nurtures children through interactive play, creative activities as well as enriching experiences and stories.

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Tuesday, August 16 from 7:00 - 8:00pm
Wednesday, August 24 from 10:00 - 11:00am

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For more information or to register now, go to gpmchurch.org and click on the Christian Ed link or contact Nancy Schulte at 313-882-5330 or nschulte@gpmchurch.org

Mornings @ Memorial

AREA ACTIVITIES

Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts speaker Sheila Roins at noon Monday, Aug. 15, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Her topic is "Project for National Security Reform," a nonpartisan, nonprofit, public interest organization working to revitalize the American government by transforming national security systems.

She is director of the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in strategic leadership programs at Walsh College.

Cindy Bir, the Monday, Aug. 22, speaker, discusses her studies of professional dancers from "Dancing with the Stars."

The club is collecting new and gently used adult and children's books for its ongoing literacy program. Books can be dropped off between 7 and 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information about the club, visit grossepointerotary.org.



Speaker

Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe president Bill Scott, Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Detroit and Rotary member and CEO of the Detroit Historical Society Robert Bury following Killeen's speech to club members.

meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. (313) 885-3709. Wednesday, Aug. 17.

◆ Tai chi classes are from 2 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday and the knitting and crocheting circle meets from 2:30 to 4 p.m. every Tuesday.

◆ The art club meets from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18.

◆ A breast cancer support group meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17.

◆ A survivorship group meeting is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25.

◆ A teen grief support group meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18.

◆ The art club meets from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, to make cards.

All events are free and donations are accepted.

The facility is located at 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores.

For more information, call (586) 777-7761.

La Leche League

The La Leche League meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11, at a Grosse Pointe Park house.

For more information and meeting location, call Letitia at (313) 641-8328 or Maria at

Park foundation

Grosse Pointe Park Foundation trustees host their annual cocktail buffet reception from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, at Donna and Joseph Coughlin's house, 801 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park.

The cost is \$75, \$125 or \$50 for those under 35 years of age. Tickets are limited. Valet parking is available.

For more information or to make a reservation, call Kathy at (313) 822-4379.

Co-chairwomen are Barbara Detwiler and Shirley Kennedy. Proceeds benefit Grosse Pointe Park endeavors.

Greening of Detroit

The Greening of Detroit holds a tree sale from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 17, in Shed No. 6 at Detroit Eastern Market.

All trees must be preordered by Thursday, Sept. 1. The cost is \$23 for organization members and \$26 for non-members.

Trees available are: bur oak,



Scholarship recipient

Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe president Bill Scott, the Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver, Rotary scholarship recipient and 2011 Grosse Pointe South High School graduate Caroline Wilkinson and Rotary first vice president Diane Strickler. The club sent Wilkinson to the 2011 Student World Affairs Conference in Wisconsin this summer, where she and other intentional high school students discussed environmental sustainability issues.

tulip, white pine, blue beech, Japanese tree lilac, chokecherry and autumn brilliance service berry.

For more information visit greeningofdetroit.com or call (313) 237-8733.

The organization seeks vol-

unteer citizen foresters to lead groups of volunteers during the fall planting season, Sept. 24 - Nov. 19.

Responsibilities of a citizen forester are to oversee a planting team, to ensure quality and safety and to promote a fulfilling volunteer experience.

For more information, contact Justin Wojciak, volunteer coordinator, at volunteer@greeningofdetroit.com or download an application at greeningofdetroit.com.

Air Force Academy

The sixth annual golf outing for the Air Force Academy Parents Club of Eastern Michigan begins at noon, Sunday, Sept. 25, at the Selfridge Air National Guard Base golf course. The shotgun start is at 1 p.m. and dinner is served at 6 p.m.

The cost is \$100 and includes lunch, golf, drinks, dinner and prizes. Dinner alone costs \$40.

For more information, call Robert Arcand at (313) 790-6507 or visit bobarc@ameritech.net.

The club supports parents and their cadets during the students' four years attending the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

All donations are tax deductible.

Sunrise Rotary

Sunrise Rotary Club hosts Harry Kurtz, who discusses the Library of Congress' experiential tour, at 7 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, at The Hill Seafood & Chop House, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts Devin Scillan at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17. Tickets from his previously scheduled show are honored.

The Lake House

The Lake House, a resource for those touched by cancer, holds free orientations at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, and 5:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11 and 18.

◆ The Men's Club meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24. This group is for men who have or had cancer.

◆ A grief support group

What's happening

Events this summer at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial span AAA baseball in Toledo to food and drink.

To register and for more information, call (313) 881-7511.

Upcoming programs include:

Belgian Beer Experience — 7 - 9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 11. Ideal for any beer lover, the class explores famous beer styles of Belgium, such as strong golden ales, wild fermented lambics, brews by Trappist Monks and more. Sommelier Anthony Minne leads the program, which is not a tasting. The cost is \$28.

Babysitter's Training Course — 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13. Registered nurse Debbie Brady offers a

training course for children ages 11 and older. From child care to first aid, the class is a

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& Salad — 6 - 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 18. Parents and their children can spend an evening learning the secrets to making pizza dough, sauce and toppings. Participants create a fresh, healthy salad and dressing. In addition to sampling what they've made, class members also learn ways to eat healthier. The cost is \$43.

Go Hens! — 4 - 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24. Take a trip to Toledo to see the Toledo Mud Hens as they host the Buffalo Bisons in a AAA baseball game featuring the Detroit Tigers and New York Mets "farm teams." The cost is \$55 and includes a ticket to the game, an all-you-can eat hot dog and burgers buffet, private deck area and bus transportation.



CLUB NEWS

Return to: The Grosse Pointe News
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Attention: Ann Fouty

Name of organization _____

Is this a non-profit organization? A special interest club? Other? _____

Purpose of organization. Tell us what your group does—projects; fundraising events; program topics; whatever _____

What kind of members or volunteers are you looking for? _____

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Where do volunteer activities and/or meetings take place? _____

Who to contact for more information _____

Phone number _____

Is there other information prospective volunteers might need to know about your organization? (Use another sheet of paper if necessary.) _____

Deadline for return is 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15.
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10:00 am Who's in the Kitchen?
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3:30 pm Art & Design
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
7:00 pm Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)
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8:30 pm Senior Men's Club
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4B | CHURCHES

PASTOR'S CORNER

By Rev. Susan d'Olive Mozena

By the waters

This summer at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, we've been focusing our worship and Sunday adult education on the theme of water. In our liturgy, our preaching and our teaching, we've been taking advantage of the symbolism of water, which is inherent to our Christian faith, and a natural connection to our lakeside location, with our back lawn sloping to Lake St. Clair.

We know without fresh, clean water, we cannot live. No one can live without water. Thus, we must educate ourselves about the responsible use of water, to be good stewards of God's good creation. And we must educate ourselves about helping others to have access to water. (The heart-wrenching reports from Somalia and Kenya, as well as from drought-beleaguered Texas, are ample evidence that not everyone lives by the shore of a glistening, freshwater lake.)

I have seen my young grandchildren this summer, their swim-suited bodies glowing with joyful health as they shoot to the surface after a dive or a jump into a pool, looking to make sure we have just witnessed their derring-do. Life is full of possibilities for them, a stark contrast to the reality for so many children and their families in this world. By no means are all of them an ocean and a continent away.

There are many different ways to experience drought, including spiritually. The body needs water and the spirit needs its thirst slaked, too. Spiritual drought, when one feels — from deep inside — completely parched, the spirit — as broken as a water-starved body — can take many forms. They include alienation from God and other human beings, self-hatred, lack of meaning to one's life, hopelessness and despair, unrelenting grief or relentless fear.

One way that spiritual brokenness can begin to heal is for a community of caring people to embrace the broken person and listen to their story. Healing can begin as the story is being told, complete with lament, whether it is in the midst of a faith community, a neighborhood group, or at work. One person being fully present to another who is in pain can be like the cup of cold water given to the man dying of thirst.

Our community is known as just that, a community. As we enjoy being by the water this summer, let us gather around those who are in the midst of a spiritual drought.

Mozena is coordinator of adult education, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, and chaplain of Oakwood Annapolis Hospital.

Assumption festival open four days

Assumption's GreekFest, Aug. 18-21, features Greek food, entertainment, and culture.

"Return of the tried and true traditions as well as exciting new offerings will make this festival even more outstanding than last year's", says Assumption GreekFest co-chairman Tom Thomas.

Grand opening ceremonies are at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18. Grosse Pointe South High Choir sings national anthems in Greek and English and members of the Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts perform.

First prize in the raffle is a two year prepaid lease for a new Chrysler 200; second prize is two airline tickets anywhere in the United States; and four cash prizes. Tickets can be purchased at the Assumption of



Greek dancers provide entertainment during the GreekFest.

fice.

Attendees can take daily tours of the exhibits in the Hellenic

Room, featuring the history of iconography and the work of iconographer and artist, Vlasis Tsotsonis. A gift shop and bookstore offers selections such as art, jewelry, children's gifts, costumes, candles, icons, wedding and baptism favors, religious items, books for all ages and more. Oral histories and an interactive location map of Greece complete the exhibit.

Traditional face painting, hair coloring and braiding, tattoos, food, games for all ages and rides are open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day and noon to 8 p.m. Sunday. A petting zoo and ponies rides are open 1 - 5 p.m. and Detroit Tiger's mascot PAWS appears from 1 - 2 p.m. Saturday.

Families can attend free 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19.

Entertainment includes the Gentlemen Of Swing, dancing and singing contests and the Assumption Dancers performing in costumes of the various Greek regions, the Levendes and Oniero.

Cass Community Social Services is given a check at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, for funds raised during the spring CROP walk.

The Marketplace features vendors selling Byzantine icons, chant CDs and Grecian

GreekFest

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11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20
11 a.m. - midnight Saturday, Aug. 21
11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 22
Raffle drawing - 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 22

imported jewelry, mouth blown glass, essential oils, metal artwork, Venetian glass, crystal, pearls, natural stones, Sassy tutus and headbands, women's, men's and children's clothing, designer inspired high-fashion jewelry, Greek souvenir items, wooden handcrafted and hand painted gift items, custom pantry storage, personalized gifts, original oil paintings on canvas and sketches, children's accessories and accessories made of feathers.

"Our focus is welcoming the community with traditional Greek hospitality," co-chairman George Dallas said.

Admission is \$2 and children 12 and under are admitted free. Free parking and shuttle service is available.

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church is located at 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. For more information, call (586) 779-6111 or visit myassumption.org or greekfest2011.com.

Festival proceeds benefit outreach programs for the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and Cultural Center and the Assumption Nursery School.

CHURCH EVENTS

Presbyterian Church

Ice cream sundaes, face painting, a magician and a moonwalk are featured from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church Ice Cream Social. The event is on the church's front lawn, 19950 Mack.

In case of rain, it will be indoors.

The public is invited.

Ice cream sundaes are \$1.50 and other activities are free.

For more information, visit gpwpres.org or call (313) 886-4301.

United Methodist

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms, holds its Vacation Bible School from 5:45 to 7:55 p.m. Aug. 22 - 26 for children kindergarten through fifth grade.

The theme is "Hometown Nazareth" and children meet "Mary" and hear stories about Jesus as a child, play games and create crafts. Registration is taken through Aug. 19 by calling (313) 886-2363. The cost is \$20 or \$35 per family.

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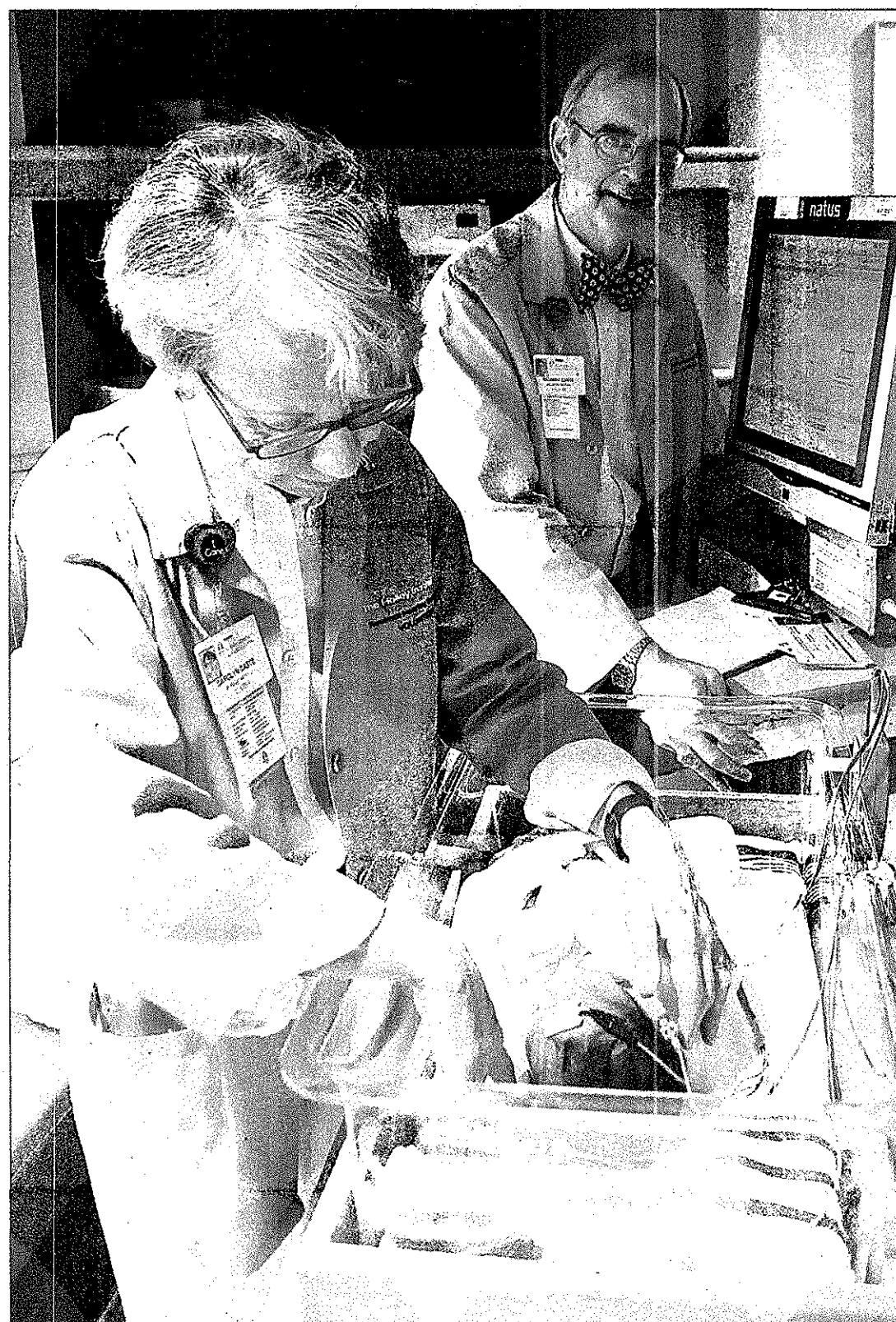
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HEALTH POINT By Jill Wells



Carolyn and Richard Caste, St. John Hospital and Medical Center volunteers, give a hearing test to a newborn.

Protecting teen's hearing pivotal to overall health

Turn that music down! Ever said that to a teenager? Teens love to listen to music at ear-popping decibels. But it's at a cost. Approximately 12 percent of children between the ages of 6 and 19 already have permanent hearing loss due to loud noise exposure.

Noise-induced hearing loss often affects the high frequency sounds, like women and children's voices, particularly in noisy situations. Children lose the ability to discern certain speech sounds like s, t, and f, and may miss pertinent information from professors or teachers during a lecture.

What's the answer?

Prevention.

Everyone must protect their ears when listening to sounds higher than 85 decibels. To give some perspective, normal conversation is 60 decibels, a lawnmower is 90, an mp3 player at full volume is 100, and concerts of any sort (symphonies or rock bands) are at 110.

The National Institute of Safety and Health recommends ear protection at anything reaching 95 decibels for a period of one hour. This means children participating in school band, hanging out in the arcade, using power tools in shop class, watching fireworks, mowing lawns, or taking target practice with a gun need to protect their hearing.

The Holley Institute at St. John Hospital recommends a few types of ear protection. The least expensive are foam earplugs that can be purchased at drug stores. There are also ear muffs placed over the ears, such as those used by landscapers. Then, there are custom ear molds made at The Holley Institute (starting around \$130 per pair) that professional musicians wear. These custom molds allow pertinent sounds to be heard, but blocks those that can be damaging.

As an example, I fit the Red Hot Chili Peppers with custom ear molds that allowed them to perform at a high level and

stay together as a band, while protecting them from damaging sounds that could permanently hurt their hearing.

Parents should absolutely have children turn their music to a moderate level. In fact, Apple iPods can be set at a maximum decibel volume level. Learn more at apple.com/sound/faq.html.

The Holley Institute at St. John Hospital offers hearing tests for newborns through adulthood. A child doesn't need to speak to complete a hearing test. It is wise to repeat a hearing screening annually. This test takes 30 minutes to an hour.

Signs of hearing loss include declining grades, the TV being turned louder and louder, requests to have information repeated, or turning one's ear toward a sound.

To schedule a hearing test, call The Holley Institute at (313) 343-4436.

Wells is a doctor of audiology and is lead audiologist at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Keep learning during school breaks

Summer vacation is important. It gives children a chance to learn more about themselves by attending camp, working a summer job or just diving deep into a hobby.

But it's also important children maintain the skills they've developed at school, particularly reading skills.

Reading is Fundamental offers the following tips to keep young ones excited about reading this summer:

- ◆ Make a chart to keep track of the books read. Generate excitement by competing with same-age relatives or friends to see who reads more.

- ◆ Write a letter to a favorite author. A librarian can help find a postal or e-mail address.

- ◆ Start a journal with a friend or relative. Take turns writing. Consider doing this by mail

or e-mail, especially if a parent or relative is deployed or away on business.

- ◆ Make a board game. Include game pieces, cards and a spinner or dice.

- ◆ Collect jokes from family and friends and make a joke book.

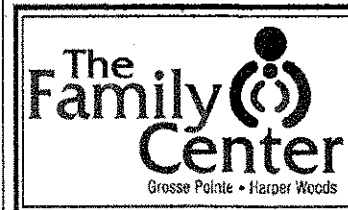
- ◆ Plan an entertaining family "booknic" at a favorite outdoor spot. Pack a lunch and plenty to read.

- ◆ Make dinnertime reading time. As family members prepare meals or clean up, one person can read aloud from a favorite classic or a new novel.

- ◆ Tie reading choices to family trips. Read about animals before visiting the zoo or quickly review history before visiting a local historic site. Even keeping score at a baseball game can serve as a literacy activity.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Cynthia Weiss

Food allergies require parents' education



Q. My 7-year-old son sometimes complains the inside of his mouth itches. I thought it may be a food allergy, but his complaints come hours after he's eaten.

If it was a food allergy, wouldn't he have a reaction right away?

A. Not necessarily. People and allergens react differently. Individuals may experience a reaction within minutes; others may not react for hours.

Itchiness of the mouth may preclude more severe symptoms. If there are any signs of lip, facial swelling, hives, vomiting or difficulty breathing, medical attention should be sought immediately. Some food allergies can be life threatening. Always consult your physician for allergy testing, overall care and a treatment plan.

Q. Is a food allergy and food intolerance the same thing?

A. No. A food allergy is the body's immune system reacting to a certain food.

Symptoms can be very mild, such as hives and a tingling sensation in the mouth, to life-threatening swelling of the throat and difficulty breathing.

The top eight common food allergens are milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, fish, shellfish, soy and wheat.

A food intolerance does not involve the immune system and is not life-threatening. Food intolerance is having trouble digesting certain foods. Common symptoms are abdominal cramping and diarrhea.

Q. My daughter has had food allergies since she was 9 months old. Now that she is older, she sees her friends with ice cream and other foods she is allergic to and wants them too. It's a constant battle. Will she ever outgrow her food allergies?

A. Most children will outgrow their allergy to milk, egg, wheat and soy by the time they are 10 years old and often by the time they are 5 years old. Allergies to peanuts, tree nuts and shellfish are usually life-long.

Q. My daughter has been begging me to let her go to summer camp, but she has several food allergies. How can I send her to camp and know she will be safe?

A. There are camps specifically designed for children with food allergies. These camps provide fun activities that teach children about food allergies.

If a food allergy camp is not available in your area, the best approach is education, communication and cooperation. Do your research. Ask about

food-handling practices and how the camp manages children with food allergies.

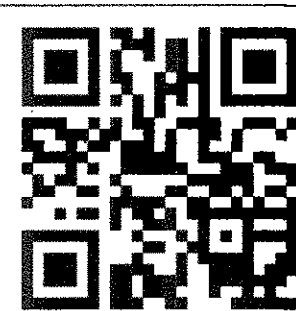
Q. As a special treat, our family enjoys eating out once in a while. The description on the menu may appear harmless, but how do I know if my son is allergic to ingredients used to prepare his meal?

A. The best approach is being prepared with a wallet-sized card that can be handed to the server – or chef – specifically stating what foods trigger your son's allergies.

State on the card, "To avoid a life-threatening reaction, I must avoid..." and list all of the ingredients that must be avoided in the preparation of your son's meal – including using clean utensils. Search the web for food allergy cards that can be completed and printed.

Weiss is a registered dietitian at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. She can be reached at (313) 473-1917.

E-mail questions to info@familycenterweb.org. To volunteer or contribute, visit familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.



Grant provides breastfeeding program

A comprehensive breastfeeding program providing direct health services and community-based programming is being established at St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Financed by a \$1.2 million grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the St. John Mother Nurture Project also gives the hospital a "baby friendly" designation.

"The St. John Mother Nurture Project will strengthen our comprehensive breastfeeding program and allow us to partner with other community organizations," said Paula Schreck, M.D., medical director, breastfeeding medicine, St. John Hospital.

According to Schreck and the American Academy of Pediatrics, breastfeeding is the first, best preventative medicine, decreasing the incidence of infection, asthma, cancer and obesity in children. Breastfeeding also decreases postpartum depression, breast cancer and ovarian cancer in mothers.

However, only 65 percent of women in Michigan breast feed and at three months post-birth, rates drop to less than 25 percent. Schreck said there are several cultural misconceptions about breastfeeding, coupled with a generational lack of knowledge on the importance of breastfeeding.

"What we're trying to do is change widespread community perception about breastfeeding," Schreck said. "Especially in the African American community, there are cultural barriers to breastfeeding, coupled with a less than optimal knowledge base about the benefits

of breastfeeding."

The St. John Mother Nurture Project targets the following initiatives:

- ◆ St. John OB Clinic: Lactation consultants provide counseling and pro-breastfeeding support in the St. John OB Clinic for eight hours each week.

- ◆ St. John Mother Nurture Club: Creation and sponsorship of a weekly post-delivery breastfeeding support group using the breastfeeding peer counselor model.

- ◆ NICU Follow-up Clinic: All NICU graduates receiving human milk are seen in the grant-sponsored NICU Breastfeeding Follow-up Clinic. NICU lactation coverage in the NICU is expanded to five days a week.

- ◆ Baby-Friendly Initiative: The hospital proceeds with "baby-friendly" accreditation, an accreditation from the World Health Organization and UNICEF for hospitals that accomplish 10 initiatives optimizing a pro-breastfeeding patient/staff environment. Baby Friendly initiative focuses on education for doctors, nurses and patients relative to breastfeeding. Currently, there are no hospitals in Michigan with the Baby Friendly designation, which supports the Surgeon General's January 2011 Call to Action to Support Breastfeeding.

- ◆ Community Collaboration: The project collaborate with the Urban League of Detroit/WIC, Infant Mortality Project, The Parish Nurses program and CareLink to deliver a consistent pro-breastfeeding message to the community and a seamless referral network.

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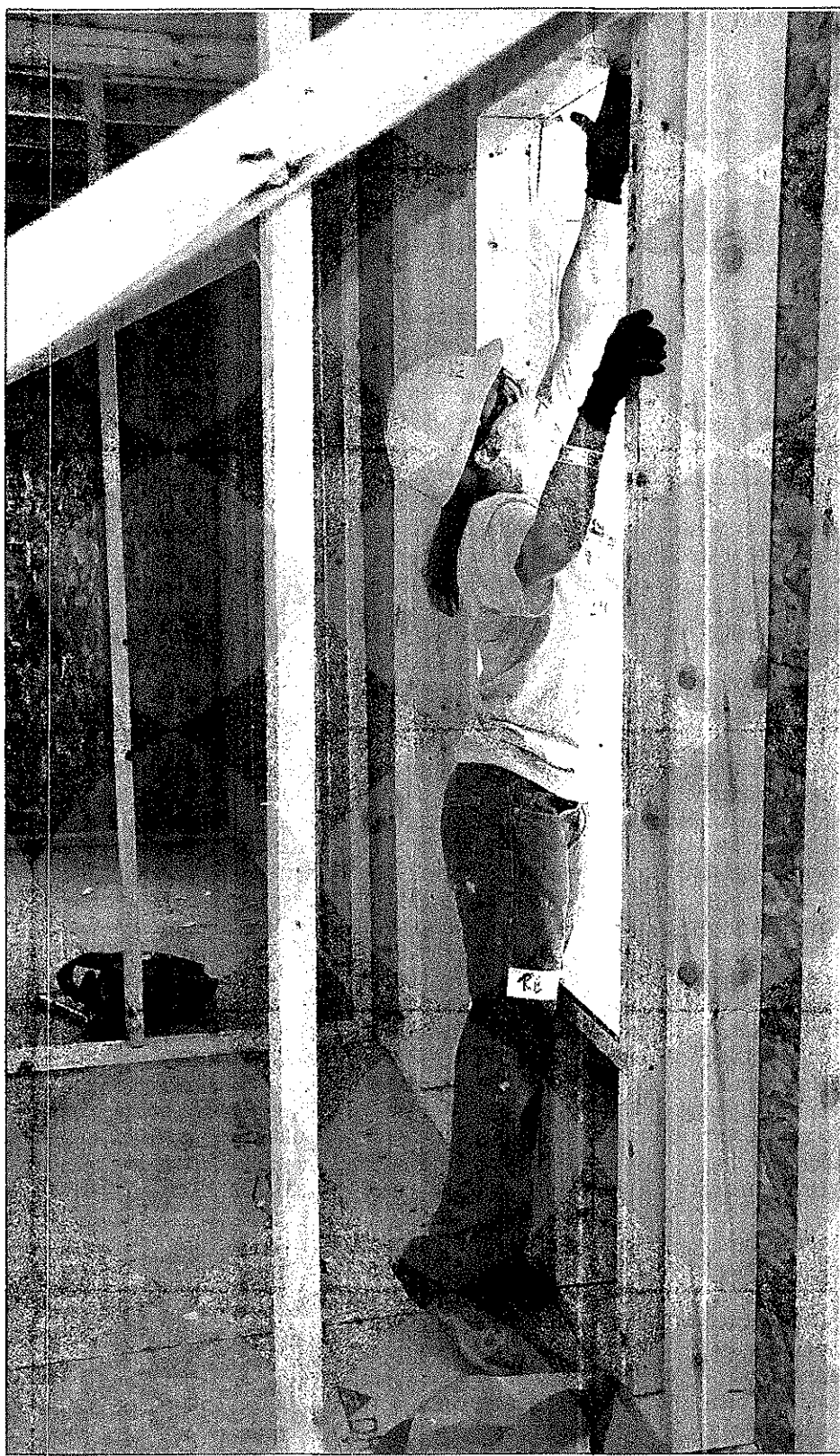
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Right, Sue Acton, of the City of Grosse Pointe, measures a piece of insulation. Above, Habitat volunteer and retiree Renee Knight, of Clinton Township, has been helping build houses every Wednesday and Saturday for six years. Top right, Erica Crossland's house on Maryland in Detroit should be ready by Christmas.

BUILD: A house on Maryland

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compose Grosse Pointe Partners. The churches include: Christ Church Grosse Pointe, First Christian Reformed, Grosse Pointe Memorial, Grosse Pointe Unitarian, Grosse Pointe United Church of Christ, Grosse Pointe United Methodist, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian, Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Ambrose Catholic, St. Clare of Montefalco, St. Paul on the Lake and St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran.

This chapter has been involved with Habitat for 20 years, said Peter Wilson, president of the local chapter and member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

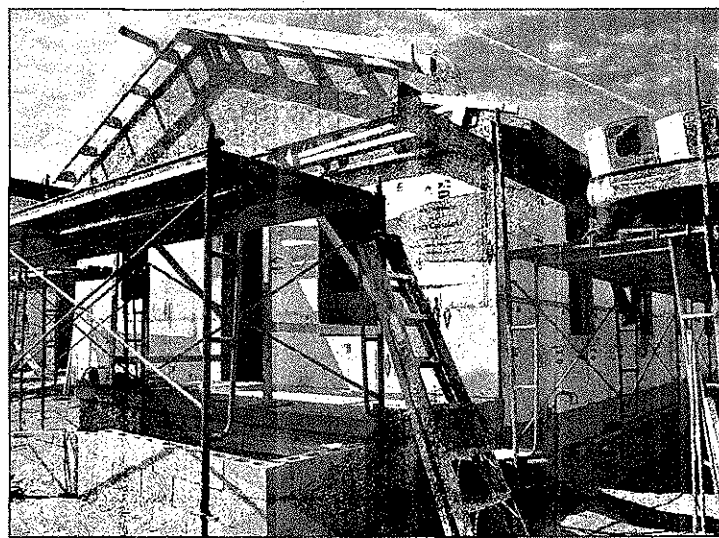
Habitat Grosse Pointe sponsors a build the second Saturday of every month. Church members also raise between \$60,000 and \$80,000 annually for the program. The chapter also sponsors a once-a-year youth build for those 15 and older. Extra work days are scheduled throughout the year for those possessing construction skills or want to learn to become construction team leaders.

Grosse Pointe was allotted 50 volunteers for the July blitz week and between 14 and 10 showed up each day.

"There is always room for more churches," said Wilson, president of the Grosse Pointe chapter. And there is always room for more volunteers to lend a hand.

"The Grosse Pointe Partners are amazing," said Tara Franey, director of development for Habitat Detroit. "They are one of the most stellar groups. They have given almost half a million dollars in 16 houses. They are a group of committed people."

According to Wilson, Grosse Pointe Habitat Partners



have helped build 18 houses in the past 20 years and recently allocated funds for the purchase of 15 high efficiency water heaters for the Habitat houses.

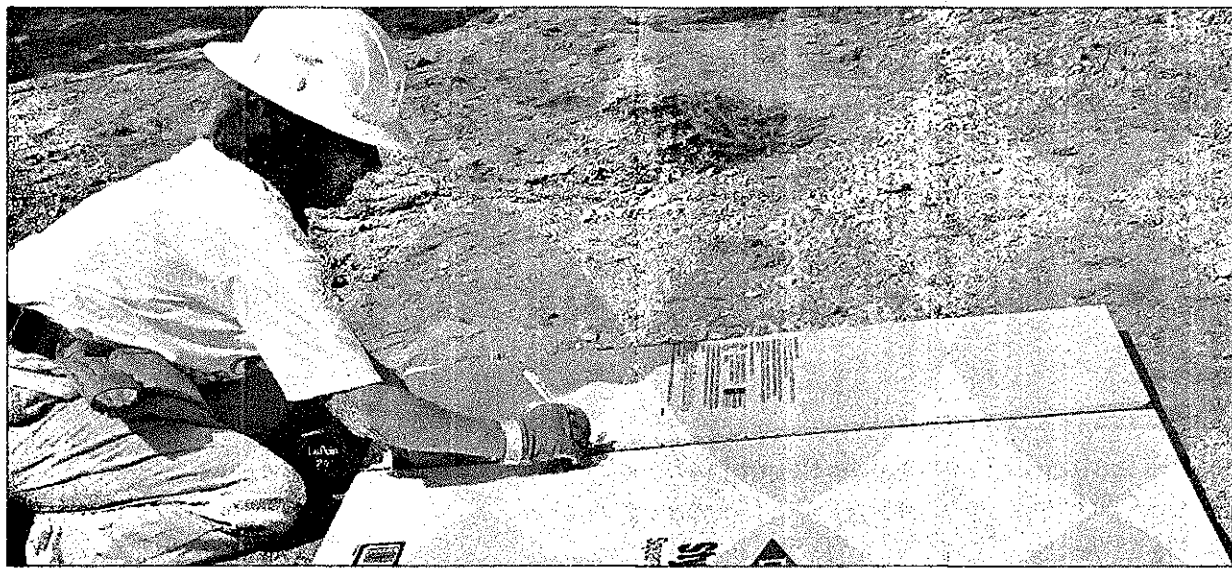
This particular July day, the volunteer crew was putting on the roof and working inside in preparation for the electrical and plumbing crews coming the following week.

As Crossland looks at her house taking shape, she said she is most looking forward to parking her car in the garage. It has been vandalized twice in the past three weeks in her apartment parking lot, heightening her determination to get into the house in a timely fashion.

Once in the house, she said she won't forget how she is able to provide her children with a house and each with a bedroom.

"I will continue to work for Habitat. It's in our neighborhood. You are helping to build your community. Why wouldn't I help out? People are helping me from out of state. It shows you there are good people out there."

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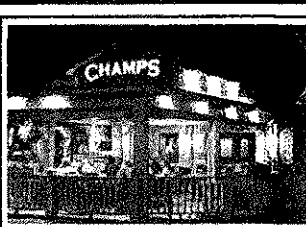
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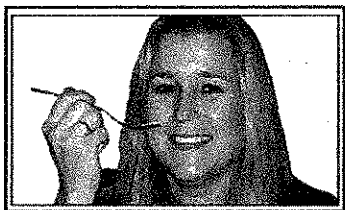
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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Oatmeal Carmelitas on the move



I love caramel, probably more than chocolate. I love baking cookie bars in the summer because they travel well. This week's recipe brings caramel to a cookie bar combined with oatmeal, chocolate chips and nuts. Seven layer cookie bar—step aside.

Oatmeal Carmelitas

Base
2 cups flour
2 cups quick cooking oats (oatmeal)
1 1/2 cups brown sugar
1 1/4 cups butter, softened (2 1/2 sticks)
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
Filling
1 cup caramel ice cream topping
2 tablespoons flour
1 1/4 cup chocolate chips
1/2 cup chopped walnuts (or pecans)
Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

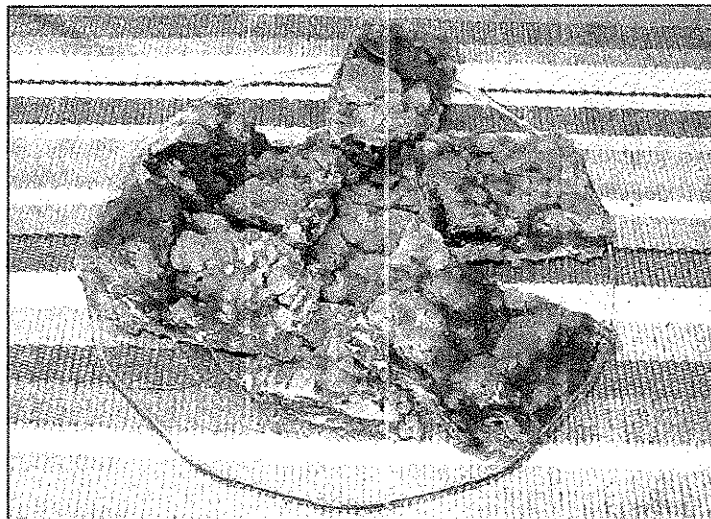


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Move over cookie bar and make way for Oatmeal Carmelitas.

In a large bowl, combine flour, oats, brown sugar, butter, soda and salt. Beat on low until well combined. Mixture will be crumbly. Reserve 2 1/2 cups of the mixture for topping and set aside.

Press remaining oat mixture into bottom of a greased 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Bake at 350 for 10 minutes. Meanwhile, stir together caramel and flour. Remove crust from oven and sprinkle with chocolate chips and nuts. Spread caramel mixture over

nuts, then top with the 2 1/2 cups remaining oatmeal mixture. Return pan to oven and bake for another 18 to 22 minutes, until golden brown.

Cool for an hour, cover and transfer to refrigerator to chill throughout. Cut into small bars and serve.

This yummy cookie bar is rich and gooey and makes enough to serve a crowd.

If your cookie bar is going to travel, cut into four large pieces and wrap individually. Keep chilled until ready to cut.

Above, Duncan didn't mind being washed on a day with temperatures reaching 90 degrees. He was one of 73 dogs washed Saturday at the annual Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society dog wash fundraiser. In addition to washing dogs, young volunteers washed three cars. The total raised was more than \$1,500.

Some 30 children, dressed in their swim suits, volunteered to get wet as they washed dogs at the annual fundraiser. Alex Hughes, holding her dog, Chief, hosted the event at her house on Kercheval and Bedford.



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Jack Ryan, of Grosse Pointe Park, sold lemonade to those waiting for their dogs to be washed.

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All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pewabic's Annual Members Only Summer Sale is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20.

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All items are sold as-is and sales are final. Customers are asked to bring their own packing materials.

To become a member of the Pewabic Society, call (313)

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LIGGETT

Hodges has sights set on hockey season



Liggett senior Jake Hodges has his sights set on helping the Knights win a Division 3 state championship this winter.

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's Jake Hodges is ready for what he plans to be a memorable senior year.

The 17-year-old was a member of the Knights' football team in 2009 after the program spent a few years in mothballs.

He spent two seasons on the team under head coach Dan Cimini and has played three years of lacrosse for head coach Jon Bartoy.

But Hodges hung up his football pads to focus on his final year of high school hockey.

"I love playing hockey and we should have a very good team this season," Hodges said. "I want to be physically and mentally ready for my senior year."

"I want to play hockey beyond high school, so I felt it was important to spend as much time as I can on the ice and in the weight room, getting ready for this winter."

Hodges, a 6-foot, 180-pound defenseman, is a key senior leader who needs to lift his game for head coach Robb McIntyre.

"Coach McIntyre is a great head coach because he really lets us play our game," Hodges said. "He doesn't get too high or too low. He played the game at the highest level,

so we use his hockey knowledge to become the best players and team we can."

"It's up to us this season and we plan to go as deep in the playoffs as possible and aim for a state championship."

"He has grown by leaps and bounds every year," McIntyre said. "He is a big, solid presence size-wise and ability-wise. He uses his tools better and it is due to his maturity."

"I see him being more relaxed on the ice, yet incredible on the ice at the same time. We need him to be consistent. It's a big year for him."

This will be Hodges' fourth year on the hockey team. He grew up playing in the St. Clair Shores house program under head coach Ted Wahby before moving up to play for Tom Peck and the St. Clair Shores Saints.

He played a lot of minutes as a sophomore when the Knights motored through the regular season with 23 wins and one tie. They made it to the regional finals before losing to eventual state champion Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

McIntyre increased Hodges' role last year as the Knights battled a tougher schedule. They still managed to win a ton of games and a couple of pre-region playoff games.

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SWIMMING

DeLoof sisters excel

The USA Olympic men's swim team may have the Vanderkaay brothers, but soon the USA women's team may have the DeLoof sisters.

Alexandra and Gabrielle DeLoof enjoyed a highly successful year in swimming, recently being named All-American for the 2010-11 year.

Alexandra, a senior at Grosse Pointe South, achieved All-American status in three events as a junior. Her 100-yard freestyle time of 51.40 and 100-yard backstroke time of 55.40 placed her in the top 100 in the United States. Also, Alexandra and her sister, Gabrielle, together with Anne Crowley and Megan Brooks, were All-American in their 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:46.24.

Gabrielle, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe South, also accomplished All-American status as a freshman in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 56.38.

Alexandra's backstroke time has qualified her for the Conoco Phillips Senior National meet in Palo Alto California at Stanford University this month. She is just a second off of an Olympic time trial cut.

Gabrielle and Alexandra swim year-round with Pointe Aquatics USA swim team and are coached by Mike O'Connor.

As part of the USA swim program, they participated in the Indianapolis and Michigan



PHOTO BY ROBERT STEWART

The DeLoof sisters, Alexandra, second from right, and Gabrielle, far right, join teammates Megan Brooks, far left, and Anne Crowley, as All-American 200-yard medley relay swimmers.

Grand Prix long course meets with Dana Vollmer, Chloe Sutton, Jessica Hardy, Katie Hoff, Michael Phelps, Ryan Lochte and Tyler Clary to name a few Olympians.

However, it was at the Indianapolis Sectional meet that Gabrielle achieved her personal best times and great success at such a young age. Gabrielle, who just turned 15, made two Olympic time trial cuts in the 100-LCM and 200-LCM backstroke with times of 1:03.33 and 2:17.06, respec-

tively.

Gabrielle then went on to better this at the Calvin Long Course Meet in Grand Rapids with a time 2:16.76.

This is the first time in seven years that a swimmer from the Grosse Pointe area has made it to the Olympic time trials, as well as the first to achieve this status at the age of 15.

The time trials are in Omaha, Nebraska, June 25 to July 2, 2012.

The DeLoof sisters are soon to be Grosse Pointe South's

triple threat. Their younger sister, Catherine, will join them as a freshman in the fall on the girls' swim team.

Catherine DeLoof, too, has success for only being 14 years old. She achieved junior national times in the 50-free, 100-free and 100-back.

Perhaps someday it may be a foursome or a DeLoof Medley Relay at the Olympics as the youngest DeLoof sister, Jacqueline, is accomplishing state success in the backstroke and individual medley, as well.

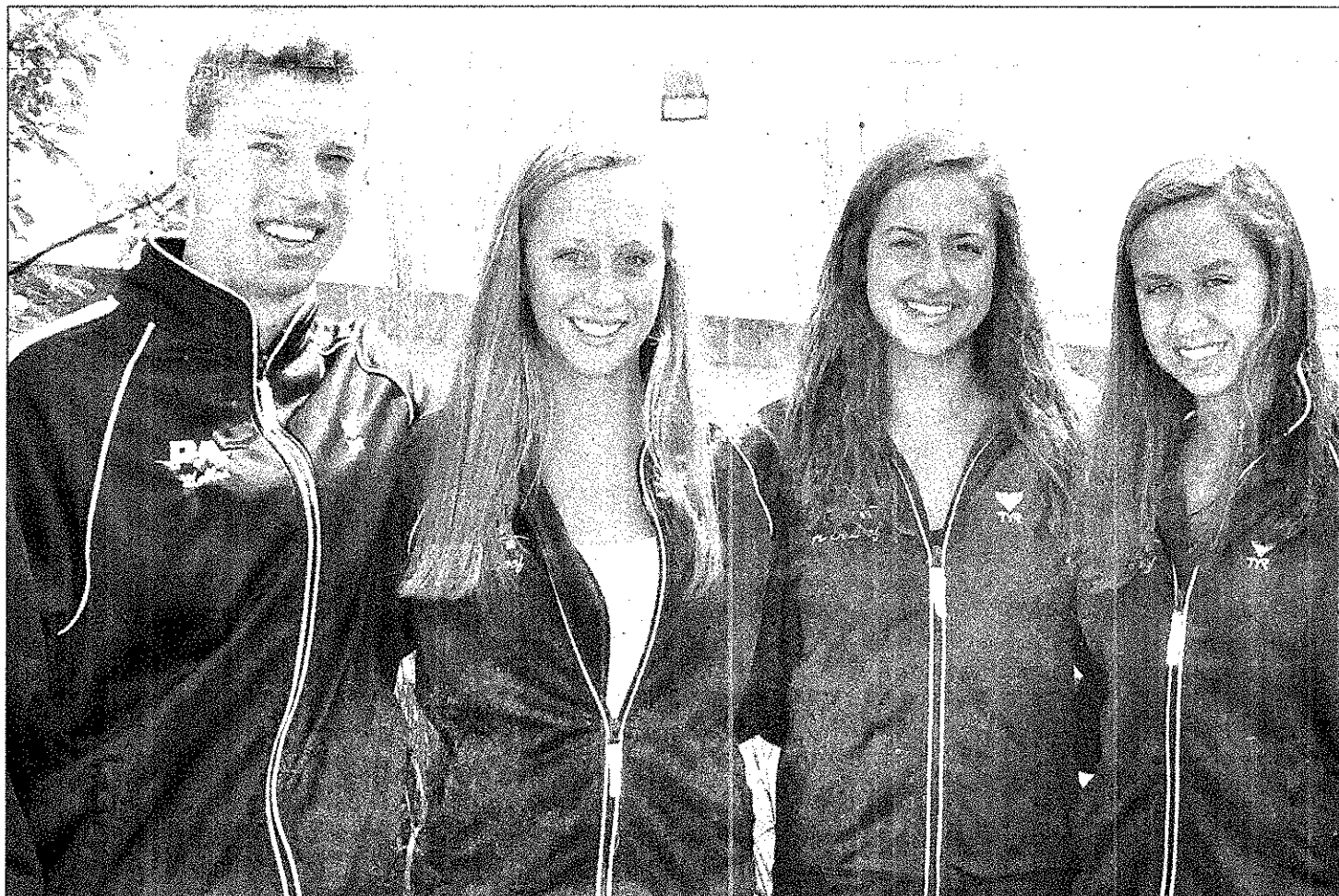


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National finalists

Pointe Aquatic members, from left, Christian Mellos, Gabrielle DeLoof, Ali DeLoof and Catherine DeLoof, compete in the USA Junior National Swimming Championship at Stanford in Palo Alto California this weekend. This meet is the highest level of 18 and under competition in the country. These four are the only swimmers in the Grosse Pointe area to achieve the qualifying times to compete in this meet.

LOCHMOOR

Lochmoor dominates MISCA meet

Lochmoor Club won the annual MISCA Championship Swim Meet held at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club the weekend of July 29.

Fourteen teams competed in the meet with Lochmoor winning with 1,0004 points, followed by Birmingham Athletic Club with 927.5, Great Oaks with 849 and Grosse Pointe Yacht Club with 695.5.

Lochmoor became the first team to score more than 1,000 points in a six-lane pool at the MISCA championships. Lochmoor returned all of its 84 individual entries to score on the championship day for the fourth consecutive year, a feat never before accomplished. The team had 61 swimmers compete in the championship final.

This was Lochmoor's unprecedented 10th consecutive MISCA championship, capping its 10th year as undefeated dual meet champions.

The Lochmoor Sea Dragons were led by the boys' 200-meter medley relay team of Marshall Vyletel, Chris Cornell, Nick Yoo and Jackson Wujek that broke a 12-year-old league record by three seconds with a time of 2:00.98.

The meet started with the Lochmoor 8U freestyle relay team of Ben Bessert, Maddie Kohler, Alex George and Joey Craparotta upsetting favored Birmingham for the first win of the meet. The Lochmoor 8U won this relay seven of the past 13 years.

Lochmoor's 8U medley relay team of Aaron Vyletel, Morgan Skaff, Morgan Palace and Ronnie Latiff took second place and the boys' freestyle relay squad of George Thanasas, Andrew Vyletel, Douglas Graham and Anthony Lesha also took a second place.

The girls' medley relay team of Mary Claire Graham, Katelyn Kohler, Kara Zmyslowski and Samantha Villani established a new team record with a time of 2:13.33 and took home the bronze medal in the event. The girls' freestyle relay team of Olivia Asimakis, Maria Thanasas, Mackenzie Simon and Katie Graham added a fourth-place finish to round out the most successful group of relays that Lochmoor has ever had at the championships.

Other highlights included Marshall Vyletel winning the 11-12 boys' 50-backstroke and 100-individual medley.

He set a league record in the 50-backstroke with a time of 31.39, while George Thanasas added a pair of wins in the 11-12 boys age group with new team records in the 50-freestyle and 100-freestyle.

The other double winner for Lochmoor was Christopher Cornell, who won the 50-breaststroke and 100-IM.

Single event winners for Lochmoor were Joey Craparotta in the 8U 25-backstroke; Katelyn Kohler in the 13-14 girls' 50-breaststroke; Jackson Wujek in the 9-10 boys' 50-freestyle; Douglas Graham in the 13-14 boys' 50-backstroke; and Yoo in the 15-17 boys' backstroke.

In the 8U division, Lochmoor scored points with Ben Bessert, second in the 50-freestyle and third in the 25-butterfly; Joey Craparotta, second in the 25-freestyle; Alex George, second in the 25-breaststroke and eighth in the 25-butterfly; Maddie Kohler, second in the 50-freestyle and 25-butterfly; Ronnie Latiff, fourth in the 25-breaststroke and sixth in the 25-freestyle; Morgan Palace, third in the 25-backstroke and 25-butterfly; Morgan Skaff, fourth in the 25-breaststroke; and Aaron Vyletel, fourth in the 25-backstroke.

'It was a tremendous weekend and a great accomplishment for all of the Lochmoor team members. The team did a great job of setting a goal.'

KEVIN HAFNER,
Coach

The 9-10 year-old Sea Dragons were Natalia Asimakis, fourth in the 25-butterfly and fifth in the 100-IM; Drew Gallant, eighth in the 50-backstroke and 10th in the 100-IM; Mary Claire Graham, second in the 50-backstroke and fifth in the 50-freestyle; Lauren Latiff, sixth in the 50-breaststroke and eighth in the 100-IM; Maggie Mattes, fifth in the 50-breaststroke; Jimmy Mazzola, fifth in the 50-breaststroke; Julian Palace, fifth in the 25-butterfly and 50-backstroke; Micahel Polizzi, seventh in the 50-backstroke and ninth in the 100-IM; Maria Thanasas, fourth in the 100-freestyle and sixth in the 50-freestyle; Andrew Vyletel, third in the 50-backstroke and 100-IM; and Jackson Wujek, second in the 50-breaststroke.

The 11-12 year olds from Lochmoor were Teagan Cornell, fifth in the 100-freestyle and fourth in the 100-IM; Annie Eugenio, seventh in the 50-butterfly; Kayla Gallant, seventh in the 100-freestyle and fifth in the 50-freestyle; Liam Kavanaugh, fifth in the 100-freestyle and sixth in the 50-freestyle; Evan Kolinski, 10th in the 100-freestyle; Hannah Mattes, third in the 50-breaststroke; Mackenzie Simon, fourth in the 50-butterfly and third in the 100-IM; Samantha Villani, second in the 100-freestyle and fourth in the 50-backstroke; and Charlie Yoo, seventh in the 50-butterfly and 100-IM.

In the 13-14 age group, Lochmoor had finishes from Billy Asimakis, fifth in the 50-backstroke; Olivia Asimakis, third in the 100-freestyle and fourth in the 50-butterfly; Zachary Due, 10th in the 50-freestyle and 100-IM; Douglas Graham, second in the 100-freestyle; Katelyn Kohler, third in the 100-IM; Jenna Mazzola, sixth in the 50-breaststroke; Samantha Perry, seventh in the 50-backstroke and fifth in the 100-IM; Sarah Schervish, sixth in the 50-freestyle; and Juliette Tripp, 10th in the 50-breaststroke.

The 15-17 age group was led by the team captain Kara Zmyslowski, fifth in the 50-butterfly and fourth in the 100-IM; Nick Yoo, second in the 50-butterfly; Nick Valice, fifth in the 50-breaststroke; Jack Stander, 10th in the 50-breaststroke; Anthony Lesha, seventh in the 100-freestyle and eighth in the 50-freestyle; Isabelle Lacombe, ninth in the 50-breaststroke; Jordan Kavanaugh, 12th in the 50-breaststroke; Katie Graham, eighth in the 100-freestyle and sixth in the 50-freestyle; and Connor Borrego, eighth in the 50-breaststroke and seventh in the 100-IM.

The Sea Dragons are coached by Kevin Hafner, Christine Hafner, Brian Hafner, Megan Fox and Andy Cebull.

"The coaching staff has never been more proud of how the Lochmoor swimmers raced than on Sunday July 31st," Kevin Hafner said. "It was a tremendous weekend and a great accomplishment for all of the Lochmoor team members. The team did a great job of setting a goal, working hard to prepare themselves to reach the goal and then achieving the goal."

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Grosse Pointe Select squads enjoy success

Grosse Pointe Select Lacrosse, Grosse Pointe's premier summer lacrosse program, is stacked with talent and having a big summer.

GP Select features teams in three divisions with a total of 70 players from Grosse Pointe and several other high schools from southeast Michigan and northern Ohio.

This summer features a HS AA, a HS A and a U15 team.

GP Select Blue (HS AA) went 3-1 at the Detroit Mercy Team Challenge in June and has gone undefeated at its home field. (Titan Field on the campus of U-D Mercy).

The talented Blue team went 4-0-1 and placed first in the U19 division at the Great Lakes Lacrosse Invitational held in Kalamazoo July 9 and 10. GP Select also brought first place trophies home in the HS B division.

GP Select Blue team recently stunned the Connecticut 2011 HS State Champions (Warrior Pride) July 17 with a 5-4 victory at Sound Lacrosse Tournament. The event was held on July 16 and 17 on the campus of Fairfield University in Fairfield, CT.

Four elite teams from across the country attended this National Recruiting event. The GP squad played well and fin-



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The Grosse Pointe Select team is composed of, back row from left, Coach Ron Hebert, Joel Hedemark, Kurt Urbin, Blaine Sackett, Justin Clark, Shannen Weseley, Carl Pressprich, Mike Meshinski, coach Ken Brubaker, Scott Johnston, Taylor Zuke, Coach Greg Urbin, Anthony Spinazze and Zack Kinic; front row from left, Danny French, Joe Takacs, David Gushee, Kyle Johnston, Hannibal Roda, Jay Warren, Pat O'Neil, Dylan Gill and Andy McLaughlan; and seated, Liam McLroy.

ished 2-3 against powerhouse east coast elite teams.

GP Blue (HS AA) features several Grosse Pointe players who have excelled this summer, including David Gushee (A, Liggett), Jeffrey Blazoff (G, South), Liam McLroy (FO, South), Danny French (A, South), Andy McLaughlan (LSM, North), Scott Johnston

(D, North) and Jay Warren (M, North).

The GP Select White team (HS A) features Pointers Andrew Ciesliga (A, South), Andrew Wright (M, South), Andrew Hyde (A, Liggett), Jack Dennison (A, South), Jack Stapleton (LSM, North), Chuck Milligan (G, South) and Andrew Amine (DM, Liggett).

GPS White features rising players from the class of 2012, 2013 and 2014. All have contributed and improved their skills in numerous games against talented select and all-star teams.

NCAA DI coaches have already contacted three GP Select players over the summer. Chris Perry (Utica

Eisenhower) has created interest from Ohio State and Detroit Mercy with a 104 mph shot and by running a 4.5 40. Shannen Weseley (St Francis Toledo) and Mike Meshinski (Utica Eisenhower) have also been invited to Division I campuses.

Five other GP Select players are already committed to play

NCAA DIII lacrosse.

"Summer club ball is becoming increasingly important for players to be recruited" said Select director Ken Brubaker. "Collegiate Coaches know the most serious and most talented players join summer travel squads."

"The (HS AA) team is the best we have ever assembled. I scouted far and wide all winter and spring to invite these players."

"We had 100 players register from 15 different high schools including Toledo, Ann Arbor and all over SE Michigan" said Brubaker. "My goal is to expose these young men to great competition, great training, and excellent coaching."

Michigan Lacrosse Hall of Fame member Ron Hebert is on the GP Select staff for 2011, and is arguably one of the most knowledgeable lacrosse coaches in the game. "He having 35 years of coaching experience has taken GP Select to the next level" said Brubaker. "Everyone has benefitted from coach Hebert being involved, including the coaches. "We are thrilled to have him on our sideline."

Greg Urbin (GP South) and Patrick Ellis (Bellarmine) along with coach Brubaker complete the 2011 staff.

LITTLE LEAGUE



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Champs

The Red Wings of the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League were the AAA Regular Season and post-season champions this past season, finishing with an overall record of 20-4. The team was managed by Will Lianos and coached by Bill Leonard. The assistant coaches were Matt Thalgott, Chris Arendoski and Dean Niforos. The championship players were Chris Arendoski, Peter Calcaterra, Owen Dolle, MacKenzie Ford, Colin Kargula, Will Leonard, Peter Lianos, Theo Niforos, Teddy Sweeney, Brett Thalgott, T.J. Thomas and Matt Vrana.

GOLF



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Host with the most

Lochmoor Club hosted the annual golf outing benefiting the Little Caesars Pizza Bowl at Ford Field at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, pitting a team from the Mid-American Conference and an at-large bid. Joining the post-golf ceremony were sitting from left, Michigan State University head football coach Mark Dantonio and former MSU head coach George Perles; and standing from left, Grosse Pointe South varsity football head coach Tim Brandon, Little Caesars Pizza Bowl CEO and Executive Director Ken Hoffman, vice president of marketing Greg Hacias and associate director Kyle Hacias.

Park teams win state titles

Grosse Pointe Park hit the trifecta when it comes to Little League state titles.

A couple of weeks ago, the 12U squad won a state championship, and last week the 11U and 10U teams completed the hat trick.

The 11U team beat host Midland 11-3 in the championship game. Team members are Mike Lanson, Jacob Hinkle, Jacob Bolton, Ryan Sullivan, Joey Naporano, Davis Graham, Josh Adams, Logan MacLean, Seth Adams, Julian Harrell and William

Muawad.

The 10U squad won its pool with a 3-0 mark, beating Bay City Northwest, Gaylord and White Lake, then completed the run to the title by blasting Bay City Northwest 12-1 at Harper Woods.

The 10U team members are Conor McKenna, Giovanni Luffy, Mickey Walkowiak, Jacob Balconi, Jackson Lawrence, Ben Lemanski, Colin Mulcahy, J.D. Finger, Nate Budziak, Ryan Downey, Alec Azar and Anthony DerManulian.

HODGES: Pumped up for hockey

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Hodges and his teammates ended the season with an upset loss to Birmingham Detroit Country Day.

"That was a disappointing loss and we just didn't play as well as we should have that day," Hodges said. "We don't want to feel that again, so all of us are doing as much as we can to get into great shape for the hockey season."

He scored five goals and had 20 assists last season while logging a lot of time on special teams. He spent a few weeks putting in extra shifts while the Knights were down a defenseman.

"I would like to earn all-state honors this season and our ultimate goal is to win the state championship," Hodges said.

After his final high school hockey game is complete, Hodges, his father, Craig, mother, Bettyanne, and McIntyre plan to sit down and map out his next step in the hockey world.

"It all comes down to work, working hard and focusing on school and hockey," Bettyanne Hodges said. "That is what Jake needs to do to be successful."

Most likely that road leads to junior hockey and after that, hopefully collegiate hockey.

"Of course I would love to play in the NHL, but I don't really see that dream coming true," Hodges said. "I will give it my best shot to play at the next level and then go to col-

lege to earn a degree."

Hodges was home-schooled until entering the ninth grade at University Liggett School. His parents also considered sending him to Orchard Lake St. Mary or Warren DeLaSalle.

"My mom and dad want me to get the best education, so Liggett was the school since it is very good academically, I could play ice hockey and it was closer to home than DeLaSalle or St. Mary."

"I like Liggett and I know I'm getting the best education that will help me a lot when I'm in college."

He has a 3.53 grade point average entering his final year of high school. Hodges said when he gets to college he might major in business or finance.

Hodges' older sister, Morgan, plays college hockey for University of North Carolina - Wilmington, and his younger sister, Hannah, is a sophomore and plays on Liggett's girls' ice hockey squad.

Craig Hodges is an Eastern Michigan University graduate and Bettyanne Hodges graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy.

Both utilize their education and want the best for their three children, they said. Morgan is a Regina High School graduate and excelling at UNC - Wilmington and Hannah is doing well at ULS.

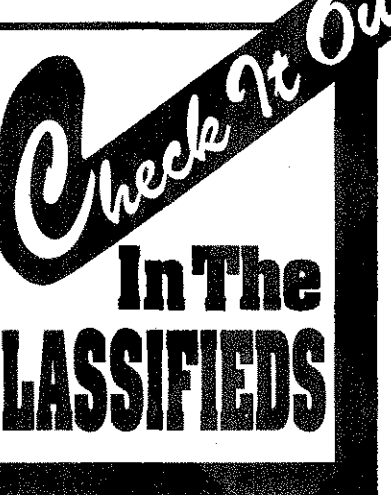
Right now, Hodges is working out to get bigger for his final year of high school hockey and skating as much as possible.

"We had a nice summer league team and we had a chance to see the younger guys," Hodges said. "I can't wait for the hockey season to start."

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1 huge garage sale. Kids clothes, baby items, crib, high chair, jogger. Wine refrigerator, furniture, Wii, cell phones, netbook computer, electric scooters. CD's, Xbox and Wii games, toys galore. 681 Pear Tree (near Hunt Club). Friday, 8am- noon. Saturday, 8am- 2pm.

1447 Berkshire. Saturday, 9am- 3pm. Furniture, electric fireplace, tools, toddler boys clothes, collectibles, misc. household items, VHS tapes.

1573 Hollywood. Friday & Saturday, 8am- 2pm. Furniture and household miscellaneous.

1629 Hollywood. Grosse Pointe Woods. Saturday, 9am- 5pm. Elliptical and lots more.

2017 Roslyn. Grosse Pointe Woods, (West of Mack). 2 Family sale. Books, furniture, beanie babies, shoes, decorative items, clothing, lots of miscellaneous. Friday & Saturday, 9am- 3pm.

328 Cloverly. Thursday 10am- 6pm & Friday 9am- 2pm. Quality everyday items.

**409 GARAGE/YARD/
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22710 Englehardt, St. Clair Shores. August 11th, 9am- 3pm. August 12th, 9am- 5pm. (586)604-8537

3 family garage sale. Furniture, vintage to new. See craigslist for extensive list of items. 230 McMillan. August 13, 9am- 3pm.

912 Barrington, South of Jefferson. Friday/ Saturday, 9- 4. Something for everyone. Cleaning house!

ATTENTION! Yard sale, Saturday, August 13, 9- 3; Sunday only if rain out. Ladies costume jewelry and small size clothing, handbags, decorative household items, etc. 22616 Alger Street, St. Clair Shores, 48080.

AUDUBON between Warren & Cornwall. Saturday, August 13, 9am- 2pm. Cleaning out! Furniture, great kids stuff & miscellaneous items. Ideal items for dorm, party planning supplies.

COLLEGE sale: Bedding, mini refrigerators, kitchen, toys, desks, chairs, hockey/ sporting equipment, much more. 8/ 12- 8/ 13 9- 3. 1397 Hawthorne, Grosse Pointe Woods.

CORNER Rivard/ Kercheval. Friday, Saturday, 9am- 4pm. Household, children items, clothing furniture.

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DESIGNER fragrances, baby girl clothing 0- 3 months, lots of other clothing, 4" king foam pad, Waterford, gift items, household, great stuff! Saturday only, 8am- 4pm. 1242 Hampton/ Marter.

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GROSSE Pointe Woods, 19770 Holiday Road. (off Mack/ Cook). August 11, 12, 13; 9am- 3pm. 4 family- something for everyone!

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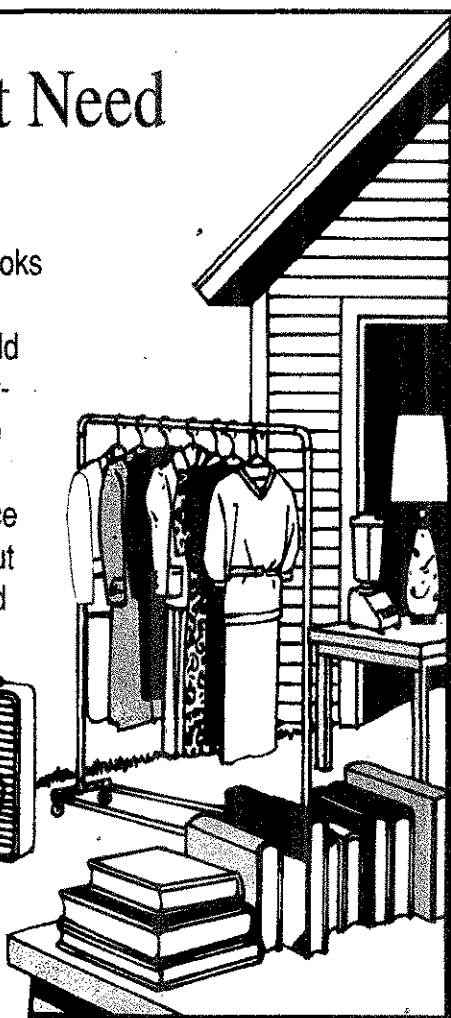
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