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THURSDAY, OCT. 6

◆ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts a Grosse Pointe Board of Education candidate forum from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Wicking Library, Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Three candidates are seeking two seats.

◆ Musician Pamela Howland plays Chopin's music in a concert, "Remembering Frederic: A Musical Conversation between Frederic Chopin and George Sand" from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Tickets cost \$20. This fundraiser is sponsored by the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

SATURDAY, OCT. 8

◆ West Park Farmers Market is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corners of Kercheval, Lakepointe and Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe Park.

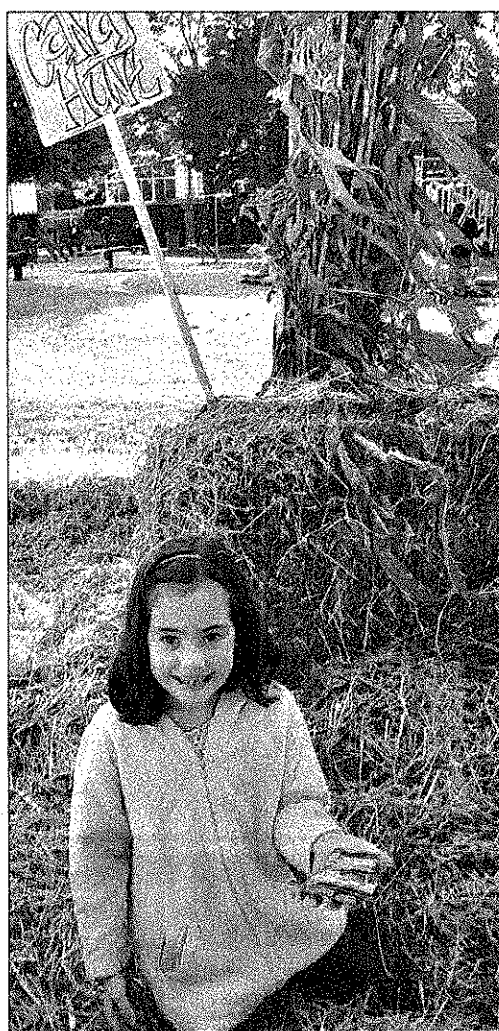
◆ The Grosse Pointe Historical Society sponsors a book signing for historian Bruce Allen Kopytek's book, "Jacobson's, I Miss It So," from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Provencal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Harvest scenes



Good weather helped draw City of Grosse Pointe residents to the annual fall harvest at Neff Park Saturday, Sept. 25. Above, Alisa Hasan decorates a tree at the craft table. At right, Anna Meads finds SweetARTS and taffy while digging in the hay at the candy hunt. Below, Lydia Miller roasts two hot dogs, one for her and one for her dad, Scott Miller. Left, Emma Tripp takes a bite out of the s'more she just made.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

West stays on council

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A modern restriction against appointed city council members running for office in the follow-up election cycle was waived this month upon naming Councilman Martin West to fill the seat of the late Terry Davis.

West, an elected member of the council from 1997 through 2001, assumes the balance of Davis' term Nov. 14.

Until then, West continues a 2010 appointment to serve out the term of the late Doug Roby.

Voters in the Nov. 8 election will decide who wins Roby's former seat. Lev Wood is the only candidate to file for council in time to appear on the ballot.

West's appointment to Davis' seat counters tradition because he wants to seek another term when his time in Davis' seat ends in November 2013. The desire counters an unofficial policy against letting appointees seek election with the non-elected mantle of incumbent.

"In the past, council practice has been to appoint a former elected council person to fill a vacancy if the person agrees not to run for office," said Councilman Joe Leonard. "I think that's unfair."

Three residents, including West, applied for Davis' term.

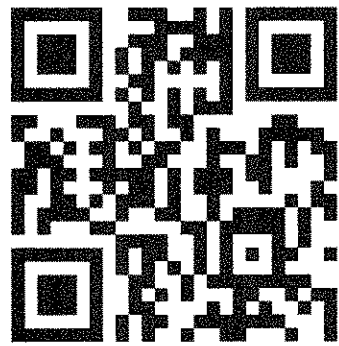
West indicated he wouldn't accept appointment if he couldn't run for office as an incumbent immediately after.

"I agreed not to run this time and I kept my word," West said. "I'd like to give something back to a community, whether it's this community, or a charitable community. If you put that restriction on, I'm going to pursue getting involved with another activity, rather than wait another two years and not be able to run again."

By all accounts, West has proven himself

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Flood compensation possible in Farms

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — If the jingling of the guinea helps the hurt that Honor feels, then it will take a lot of ducats to becalm victims of this summer's residential flooding.

The Grosse Pointe Farms city council this week suspended fees ranging from \$35 to \$165 to inspect plumbing, structural repairs and improvements forced upon more than 300 residents by at least two sewage backups into basements during storms in May and September.

"It's insulting to me," said resident Daniel Salden of the council's decision to waive relatively minor fees associated with "a tremendous and nasty loss" of expensive appliances, possessions and the possible installation of backflow preventers to guard against future backups.

Councilman Joe Leonard suggested reimbursing flood victims for out-of-pocket cleanup and repair expenses.

"Some of the people are on fixed incomes," Leonard

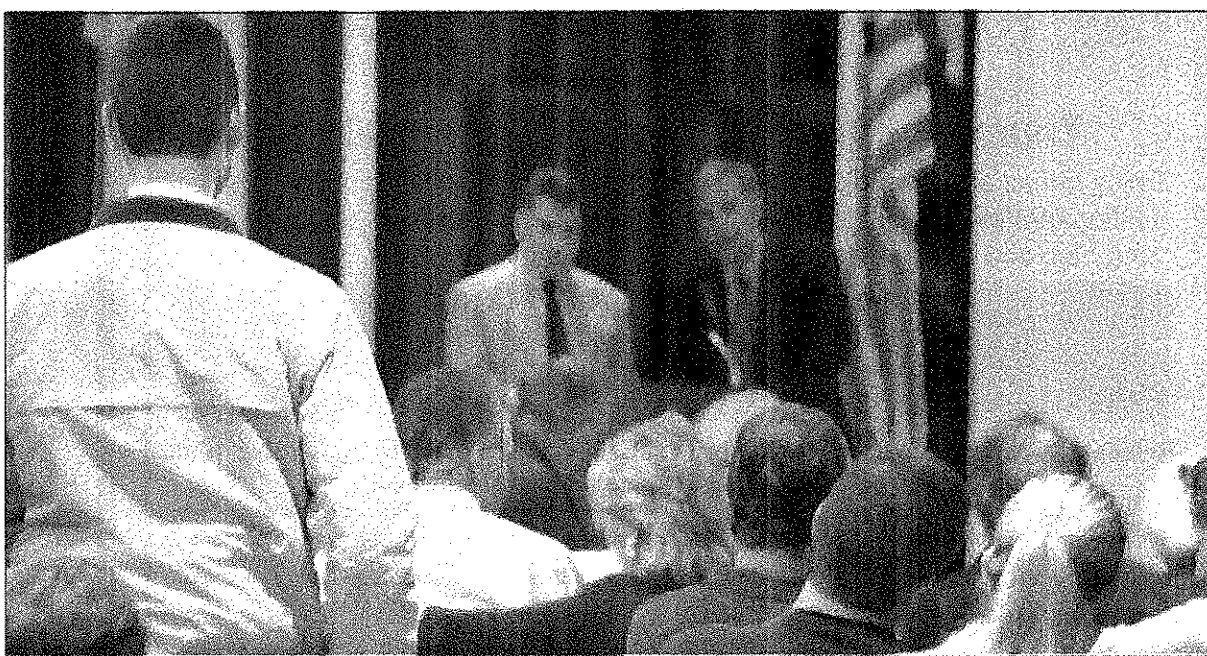


PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

At a recent meeting with flood victims, a citizen speaks his mind to Farms Mayor James Farquhar, at podium left, and City Manager Shane Reeside.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Car not stolen

At 11:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, an officer patrolling the 400 block of Notre Dame found a parked 1998 Chevrolet Caprice outfitted with a license plate reported

stolen Sept. 2 in Detroit.

Police impounded the vehicle.

Five hours later, at 4:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 26, the Caprice's owner, a 25-year-old Detroit woman, arrived at headquarters thinking her car was stolen.

Officers arrested her for possession of the stolen li-

cense plate. She also was wanted on multiple traffic warrants from Grosse Pointe Farms and Detroit, police said.

She said a mechanic on Six Mile in Detroit gave her the plate.

—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

Three strikes

When pulled over at 9:50 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, for speeding 44 mph in a 30 mph zone on southbound Moross, a 47-year-old Detroit man said he was lost and looking for an expressway.

Police said they arrested the man for having a .232 percent blood alcohol level, an open 24-ounce can of beer under the driver's seat of his 1995 Subaru Impreza and for violating a suspended license.

Brother trouble

A 14-year-old Farms boy faces assault and battery charges for hitting his 16-year-old brother and causing a car wreck shortly before 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30.

The older teen told police he was driving his younger brother in a black Ford Mustang on northbound Moross approaching Mack when his brother hit him three times.

The driver lost control. The car jumped the curb and skidded over the sidewalk into a flower bed at Chase Bank.

Larceny

A woman suspects a wallet and prescription pain relievers were stolen between 8 and 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 30, from her house in the 300 block of Hillcrest.

The wallet contained keys to the residence and a safe, she told police.

Taken for a ride

Detectives are following up on a patrolman's initial investigation of a resident suspected of breaking parole.

At 4:17 a.m. Friday, Sept. 30, an officer reported seeing a taxicab driver in the 100 block of Ridge drop off a man believed to be on parole.

"(The man) has parole conditions restricting leaving his house at night," said the officer.

Although the suspect entered a residence before the officer could question him, the officer interviewed the cab driver.

The driver reported picking up the resident at 3:14 a.m. and taking him to a service station at Chalmers and Hayes in Detroit.

The man entered the station for a few minutes, the cab driver said, then returned to the cab with an unknown man. Both were driven to a house on Corbett near Chalmers, the driver reportedly told the officer.

A short while later, the driver took both men back to the service station; the second man exited and the driver took the Farms man home, according to police.

No parking

A homeowner in the 200 block of Kercheval called police at 2:38 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, to report an unknown man in a light blue 1993 Saab convertible parked in the driveway.

An officer found the driver sitting in the car, head back, eyes closed and mouth open.

The man, a 47-year-old City of Grosse Pointe resident, registered a .17 percent blood alcohol level and was arrested for drunken driving, police said.

The suspect reportedly defended himself by saying he wasn't driving at the time.

Drunken driving

A man with a .128 percent blood alcohol content was arrested at 2:19 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at Mack and Moross for drunken driving.

The man, a 39-year-old Eastpointe resident, was operating a 1989 Pontiac Grand Prix.

Officers searching the car said they found a 3/4 empty bottle of brandy and a marijuana cigarette. Officers also charged the man with giving them a false name.

Fresh

An unknown man appears on a Mack and Moross BP service station security video at about 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, stealing 20 Christmas tree air fresheners worth a combined \$24, according to police.

The man is described as 6-foot-3, "very thin," with a mustache and goatee. He wore a green or gray hooded sweatshirt with an unknown print on the front.

A store clerk said the man wanted to buy a canned drink and cigarettes, but didn't have money to pay. The clerk last saw the man walking toward the intersection of Mack and Moross.

—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

Drunken speeding

A 42-year-old Clarkston man was arrested at 10:10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, for drunken driving on southbound Lakeshore near Webber.

A patrolman reportedly pulled over the man for speeding 19 mph over the speed limit and "swerving."

The man registered a .13 percent blood alcohol level.

—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

Felonious assault

A 28-year-old Eastpointe woman notified police at 3:20 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, she was threatened with a gun at a house on Perrian Place.

According to police, the woman said she met the 46-year-old Woods resident earlier at a restaurant in St. Clair Shores. They later went to a strip club in Detroit before returning to his house on Perrian Place.

Police said the woman reported feeling uncomfortable and when she tried to leave, the man grabbed her and pointed a handgun at her. She freed herself and fled to a neighboring house where she called police.

The man denied having a gun and allowed police to search his house. While no gun was located, police did find a marijuana growing operation, which the homeowner claimed he had a permit under the medical marijuana law. It expired Oct. 1.

He was arrested.

Home invasion

A Linville resident called police at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, to report a home invasion. Police said a back window was pried open and a side door left open. Several finger-

prints were found. The resident reported several items, including a television, laptop and a purse, missing.

Locker theft

On Tuesday, Sept. 27, a Grosse Pointe North student returned to a gym locker following an after-school workout, found it open and his clothes and watch missing. The student reported seeing two suspicious persons in the locker room at the time. Police and school officials are investigating.

Theft

The owner of a house on Roslyn notified police Sunday, Sept. 26, a pillow was missing from his house.

The house is currently for sale and the homeowner said a real estate agent showed the house Friday, Sept. 23. The pillow was missing shortly after. The homeowner plans to file suit in small claims court for the cost of the pillow and needed a police report to verify his claim.

—Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Woods police at (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Larceny from autos

An iPod and a GPS navigation device were taken from a Pontiac Grand Am parked in the 1000 block of Maryland sometime between Friday, Sept. 23, and Sunday, Sept. 25.

A catalytic converter was taken from a 2001 Pontiac Montana parked in the 600 block of Barrington during the afternoon of Friday, Sept. 30.

Police were called to Mack and Somerset at 8:50 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, on a report of youths looking into parked cars. When officers arrived, the youths ran. One was apprehended and taken into custody. Police recovered items from a previous auto larceny.

Storage unit thefts

Several items were taken from two storage units in the basement of a four-family flat on Beaconsfield sometime between Sunday, Sept. 4, and Friday, Sept. 30. Items missing include hockey equipment, a snowboard, clothes and a bike.

Quick thinking

Someone tried to sell a bike taken overnight Wednesday, Sept. 28, from a garage on Buckingham to a bike shop in Detroit. The shop owner became suspicious and took the bike. The suspect fled the store and the bike was returned to its owner.

—Kathy Ryan

If you have information on these or any other crimes, contact Grosse Pointe Park police at (313) 822-7400.



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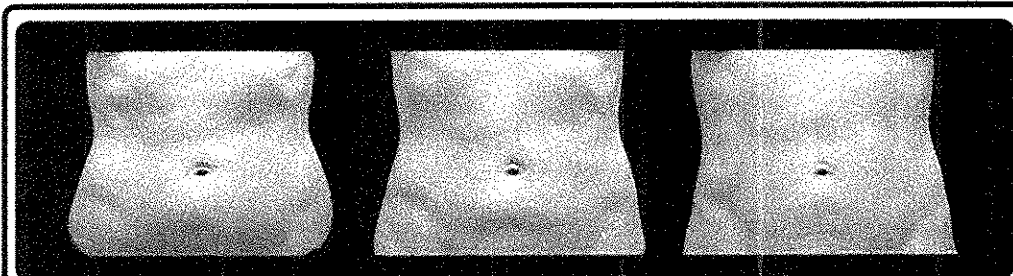
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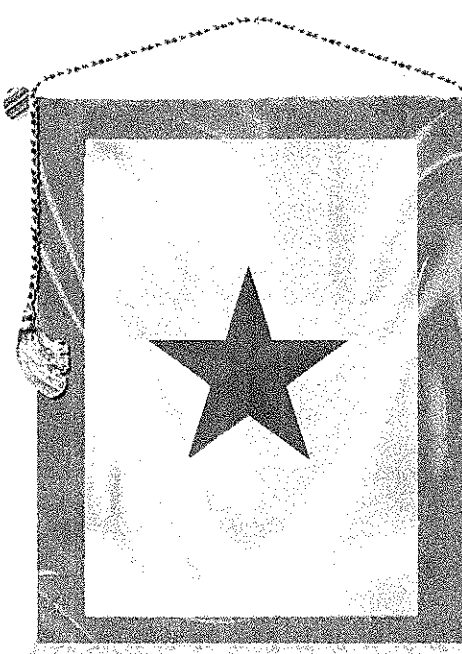
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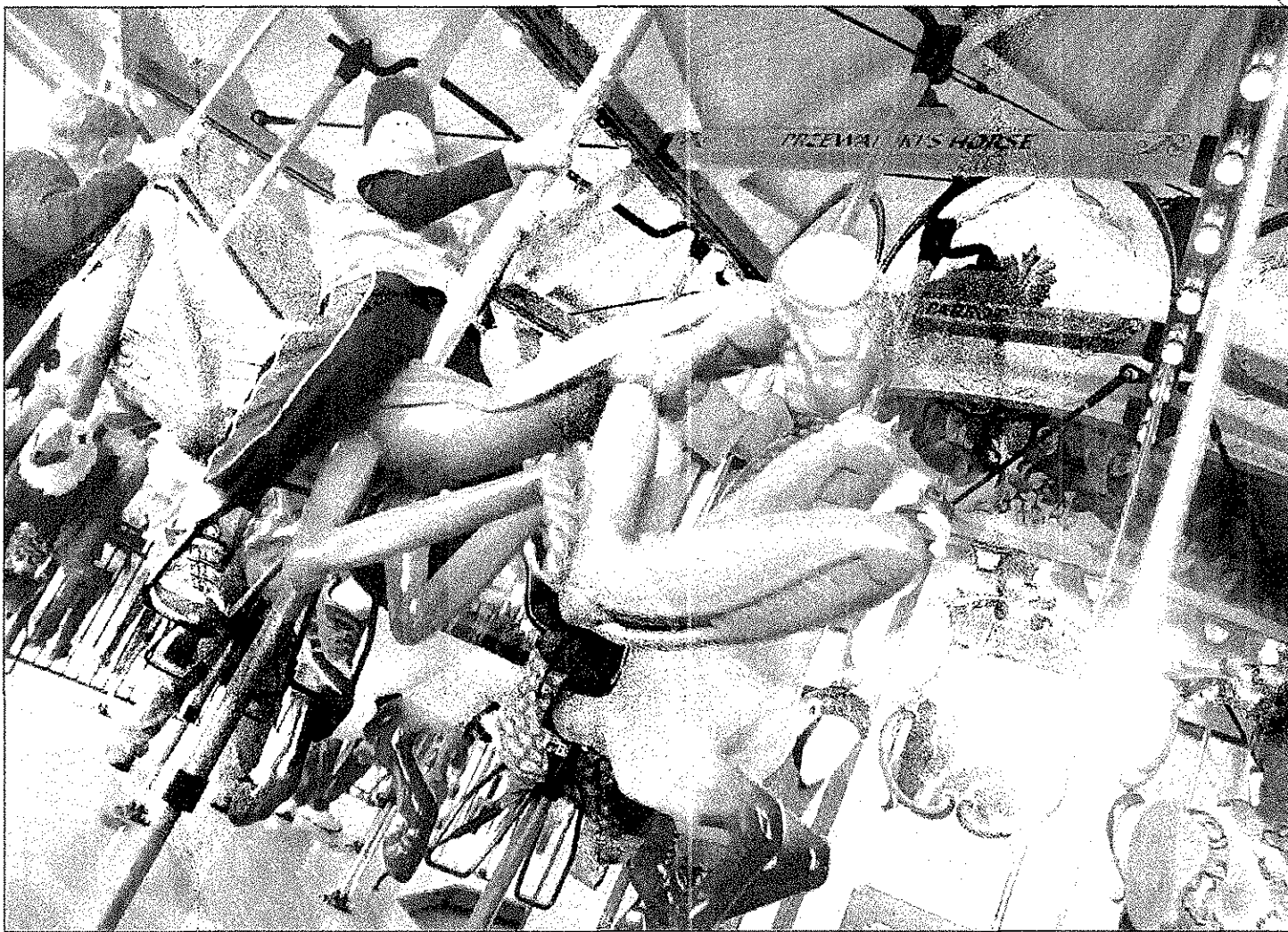


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Classmates at Kingsbury Country Day School ride the Detroit Zoo's \$1 million carousel. Trevor Rowe is on a preying mantis. The carousel's 34 animals include a Tyrannosaurus rex and a rabbit, below.

Round and round at the zoo

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

ROYAL OAK — The circle of life goes round and round at the Detroit Zoo.

And up and down. To a calliope's sound.

Starting this month, a carousel near the Arctic Café adds to the zoo's ambiance.

Riders choose from 33 individual animals. A swan bench holds three or four people abreast.

"There is a very broad representation of the animal kingdom," said Ron Kagan, zoo director.

Trevor Rowe, a 7-year-old insect fan, was on a class trip last week to the zoo from Kingsbury Country Day School in Oxford. He rode a galloping preying mantis.

"I just saw it and it looked awesome," Rowe said.

Classmate Emily Levine, 6, chose an orange seahorse.

"It's cute," she said.

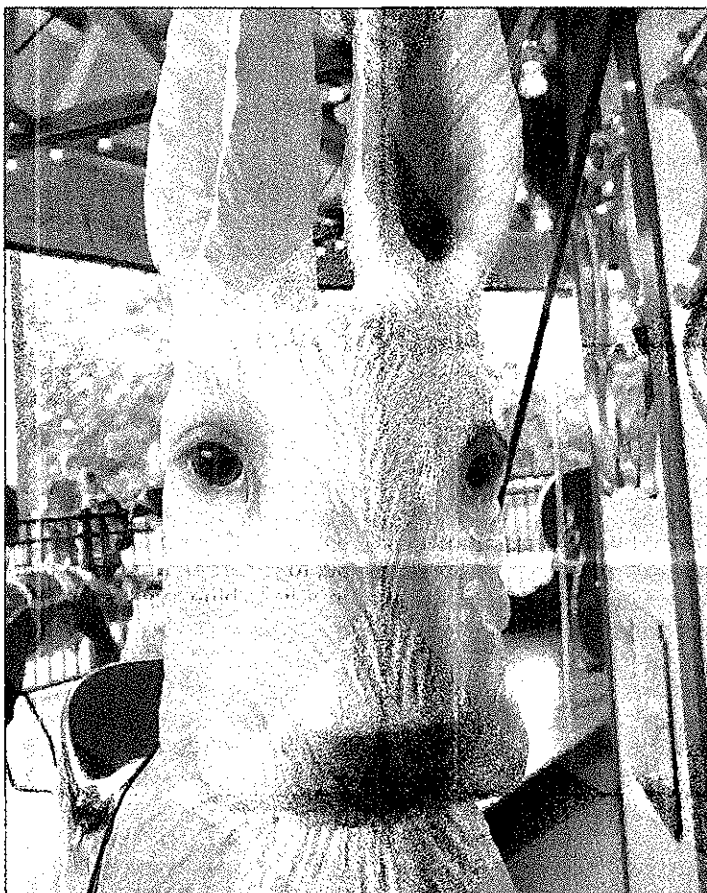
"The Detroit Zoo has thousands of animals, but we don't have every single species," Kagan said. "The carousel has a lot of things we don't have. For instance, there's a cassowary, an unusual, huge bird, kind of like an ostrich. It comes from Australia. It's colorful and unique."

Neither did the zoo have a Tyrannosaurus rex or Triceratops.

"But we do now on the carousel," Kagan said.

Animals include a horse, anteater, bat, camel, rabbit, river otter, bald eagle, falcon, flamingo, parrot, penguin, puffin, alligator, sea turtle, tortoise, sturgeon, snake, clown fish, poison dart frog, grasshopper, lady bug and more.

"All of these animals were



made specifically for the zoo," Kagan said. "It took about a year or two to create these pieces and put them together in this wonderful, artistic light. It's a rich, warm experience."

The 36-foot diameter wood and brass carousel has hand-painted murals, a hardwood floor and more than 300 lights, many of which reflect off a mirrored center axle.

It was made by The Carousel Works, a specialist manufacturer in Mansfield, Ohio.

Construction cost \$1 million, paid by donations. Some of the animals remain available for sponsorship at \$10,000 each.

Two-minute rides cost \$2 with zoo admission. Children less than 3 years old or 42 inches tall ride free with a paying adult.

Daily operations run through October, weather permitting, then resume in April.

The carousel also can be rented for private parties, weddings and business functions.

"This is lots of fun," Kagan said. "It also is a helpful effort to enhance our earned review."

The Detroit Zoo is located at the intersection of 10 Mile and Woodward, just off I-696, in Royal Oak. Fall and winter hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through October and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. November through March. Admission is \$12 for adults 15 to 61, \$10 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$8 for children 2 to 14. Children under 2 are admitted free. For more information, call (248) 541-5717 or visit detroitzoo.org.



Getting Neff Park ready for winter

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The tarp hardly covers last summer at Neff Park, and director Christopher Hardenbrook is getting ready for next year.

"I'm working on marina rental renewals," Hardenbrook said.

The 160-slip marina had 96 percent occupancy last summer. Only six slips went unrented.

They were put to use as guest slips costing \$10 to \$25 per day.

"A lot of residents keep their boats at their cottages and wanted to bring them home for a week or two," Hardenbrook said.

The marina closes Monday, Oct. 31, which also is the dead-

line for renewal, plus 50 percent deposit. The balance is due Feb. 1.

Kayak rack renewals and \$100 fee are due March 1.

It was a good summer at Neff Park, its 101st since being founded in 1910.

Weather played its normal role. Late-season rains watered down attendance slightly. A storm also forced relocation of the Norbs municipal swim team's postseason banquet from the park to inside Maire Elementary School.

The Norbs, named after the City's first manager, Norbert Neff, finished the season second against rival Grosse Pointes and St. Clair Shores in the Lakefront Swimming Association.

"That shows the competitiveness of the team, but the more important part is the kids' en-

joyment," Hardenbrook said.

Team membership offers more than swimming. There are picnics, cookouts, get-togethers and friendships made among teammates that extend into the school year and between families that help strengthen the community fabric.

"Focal points are the swim meets, but so much more goes on," Hardenbrook said. "There's a family quality to it. I and my staff are here for people to have a positive experience. We feed off that."

New at the park this year was relocation of the original dedication plaque from the outer parking lot to the park interior.

The plaque is displayed near one marking last year's 100th anniversary. A commemorative seedless Marmos maple

tree is part of the display, including a flower bed planted by the beautification commission.

Platform tennis

Fall and winter activities began this month with platform tennis.

Courts at Elworthy Field are lit, heated and open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. through April.

"We're taking reservations," Hardenbrook said. "People start playing in cool and cold weather."

Seasonal memberships cost \$75. One-day passes cost \$10. Reservations are made up to three days in advance at city hall, the park office or on the parks and recreation section of the municipal website, grossepointecity.org.

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Farms honors its own

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A resolution honoring the late Councilman Terry Davis III received full support and applause this week from the Grosse Pointe Farms city council.

Davis, a three-term councilman, died Aug. 14, during his third consecutive term in office.

He was 67, head of the budget committee and had been mayor pro tem from 2003 to 2005.

Davis, a third generation

Grosse Pointe Republican, loved politics. He headed the Michigan campaign to elect President Ronald Reagan.

Upon Reagan's victory, he named Davis associate administrator of the general services department in Washington D.C.

After federal service, Davis returned to the Pointes. He worked as chief financial officer for Ford Motor Co.'s land division. He also was managing partner of his own financial consulting firm in the Farms.

"He was extremely passion-

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Lakeshore resurfacing set

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Lakeshore north of Vernier will be awash next year in federal funding.

A summertime resurfacing project is being paid with 80 percent federal funding.

Tied to the project is the county's penchant for redundant road signs stating the obvious.

Construction between Vernier and the St. Clair Shores city limits is due to start June 15, 2012.

Upon completion, both sides of the divided county road will be garnished with the same one-way signs that Shores officials complain were imposed along the recently repaved stretch south of Vernier.

"Wayne County has indicated they will remove those signs if Grosse Pointe Shores is willing to sign a waiver of liability, taking on liability related to any incident that takes place because those signs are not in place," said Brian Vick, Shores

city manager. "If we know a sign is supposed to be there based on state guidelines, and we take that sign down, our argument for governmental immunity would be diminished."

Federal funding comes to the Shores through the county's federal aid committee. To qualify, the city must contract with the Michigan transportation department.

The city pays 20 percent, or \$254,000, of the \$1.1 project, according to Vick.

Although one-way signs are required on the inland section of Lakeshore north of Vernier, that doesn't apply to other warning signs dotting the roadway south of Vernier along the shores of Lake St. Clair.

"We don't have the issue of no swimming and dangerous water signs," Vick said. "However, this is a state project. The one-way signs, the same battle exists."

The city has \$150,000 reserved for resurfacing projects," Vick said.

The balance will come from budget adjustments.

Correction

In the Sept. 22 story, "Following suit in the Farms," Daniel Salden's name was misspelled in second and subsequent references.

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Samantha Matthew is using her time in college to experience as much as possible. Band, sports, volunteering and preparing for a career after, keeps her on the go and moving forward.

College to the fullest

By Karen Fontanive
Staff writer

Taking advantage of every opportunity and making the most of it is something most people strive to do.

Twenty-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident Samantha Matthew is doing it.

In May, the University of Notre Dame junior trombone player traveled to Brazil with 70 members of the university's concert band, performing in several cities, interacting with local children, dining on local cuisine and soaking up culture.

Concerts and culture

"Performing in another country was such a unique experience," said Matthew. "We performed in Teatro Municipal de Ouro Preto, the oldest theater of all three Americas. We also performed in the Candelaria Church in Rio de Janeiro, which was built in 1775. Each venue was elegant and historical, which made the concerts even more special to us."

The band performed traditional American songs, some Brazilian music, and Duke Ellington favorites. Matthew said jazz was a hit. "They don't have jazz in Brazil, so they loved this."

Band members also learned about Brazilians' concert idio-

syncracies. Advertisements for the concerts reported the start time a half hour earlier than the actual start time.

"We found out that they did this purposely because Brazilians are known for being laid back and often show up late," she said.

While Matthew is one of approximately 12,000 students in South Bend, in Brazil she and the band were "big men on campus."

"I felt like an undeserving celebrity as we received standing ovations during each concert and played as many as five encore songs while audiences chanted for us to stay on stage," Matthew said. "As we were giv-

"We performed two concerts and afterwards had casual conversations and gave the kids advice about applying and getting into colleges. It was so interesting learning about their culture while they asked us about ours," she said.

Topics ranged from Justin Bieber to Jersey Shore to what age Brazilians can begin working to what they do during summer break.

"Interacting with the kids at the school in Sao Paulo is something I will never forget," Matthew said. "A few of the high school students even found me on Facebook and many want to attend universities in the United States."

Carnivores and calamities

In addition to the meat-heavy diet — "The food was basically all the meat you could eat; anywhere and at every meal" — Matthew also got to taste frog and chicken hearts.

"Unfortunately, a lot of the food did not have labels, so we probably ate weirder food than that, but didn't know it," she said.

No trip would be complete without complications. Matthew got an extra dose with cancelled and delayed flights getting to Brazil due to the tornado in Joplin, Mo.

"Nineteen of us got stuck in Miami and Belo Horizonte, each for one night, and missed one full day of the tour. We were dubbed 'The Miami 19' which is still referred to in the band today."

Back in South Bend

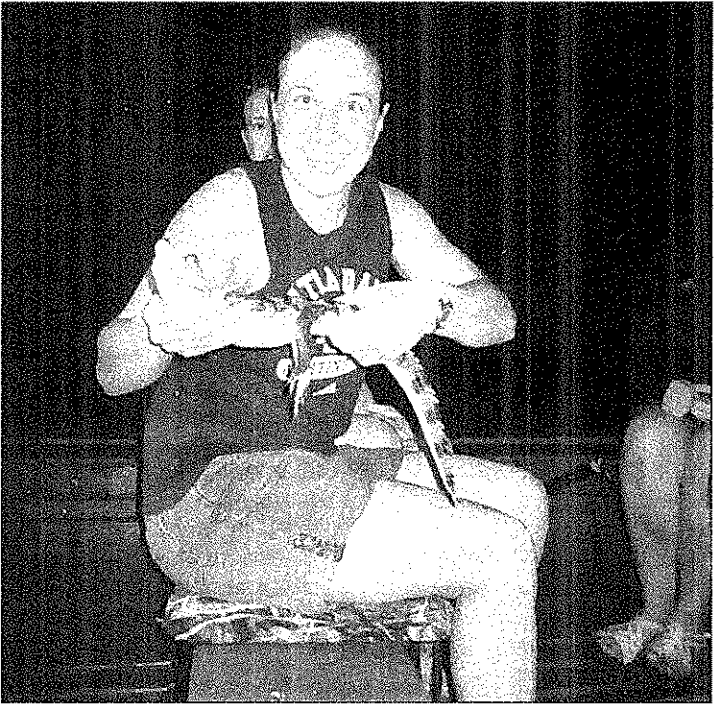
Concert band at Notre Dame is just one of many activities this high-achieving and active student participates. She also is a member of the marching band, basketball band and trombone choir.

The 2009 Grosse Pointe North graduate takes advantage of every opportunity, mixing band responsibilities with sports, community service and career-focused activities at Notre Dame. She plays intramural volleyball, soccer, floor



PHOTOS COURTESY OF SAMANTHA MATTHEW

Sam Matthew plays trombone in the University of Notre Dame Marching Band. In May, the college junior traveled with the band to Brazil to perform and experience Brazilian life, including this caiman she held during a tour of the Amazon River.



hockey, softball and basketball and club ice hockey, a sport she never played until lacing up at Notre Dame.

She gives trumpet lessons to young students through Salvation Army Bandlink, is a member of the Women in Business Club and Entrepreneurship Club and has helped with university-sponsored service projects in Iowa and Tennessee. And, in a twist of fate from her Brazil travel travails, she is organizing a service trip later this month to aid in the ongoing clean-up in Joplin, Mo.

What lies ahead

Her college experiences also have helped Matthew line up a summer job where the accounting major will be an audit intern in the Detroit office of

PricewaterhouseCoopers accounting firm.

"As a sophomore I met the Detroit recruiter at an event while he was at Notre Dame," Matthew said. "I want to begin my career in public accounting. It would be a dream job to work in the Tigers or Red Wing organization someday."

Whatever the future holds, Matthew is taking full advantage of the here and now.

"My college experience has been busy, challenging, fun, and rewarding," she said. "I have gotten involved in so many ways here at school. My advice to everyone headed to college, or even still in their first year or two, would be to get involved in one or two clubs or organizations and sign up for anything else you're interested in. Staying busy keeps you efficient."



Matthew, second from left, and Brazilian students after a concert performance.

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PARK: Events change with the seasons

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Halloween

The recreation department partners with the Village Association for Halloween in

the Village, on Kercheval between Cadieux and Neff, 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31.

Trick-or-treating is open to everyone. There's also a costume contest.

Skating & walking

Hardenbrook hopes to have a refrigerated ice skating rink at Neff Park open by late November.

He and a couple of staff members also spend winter shoveling snow from park pathways to keep the park ac-

cessible year-round, especially for exercise walkers.

"Anything we offer through the colder months to get people outside and active, I'll support 100 percent," Hardenbrook said.

The first of two sessions of beginner ice skating lessons is Jan. 7, 14 and 21. Times are 3 to 3:45 p.m. or 4 to 4:45 p.m. Saturdays.

Session two is Feb. 4, 11 and 18 on Saturdays at the same times.

Residents can donate unwanted ice skates to the park

for residents to use. Drop skates off at the park office.

Winter Fest

The eighth annual Winter Fest and pig roast is 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28.

Attractions include a petting zoo, curling, arts and crafts, ice sculpting, ice skating, a hockey shoot-out and broom ball.

"Our focus is to have a steady pull for residents to come to the park," Hardenbrook said.

COUNCIL: Candidate will fill void until election

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to be an appointee in name only to Roby's term. West's fellow officeholders praised him for being "engaged" with city business, not merely going through the motions.

"In this situation, we should not restrict Marty from being able to run," said Councilwoman Therese Joseph. "Appointments can be made when somebody has shown that they've gone above and beyond. If he wants to run again, he can."

Councilman Pete Waldmeir explained the reason for the restriction:

"To assure other residents who might be interested in the position that there would be a level playing field when the next general election occurs. An appointee would not get the incumbency designation or preference to other members of the public who wish to serve."

"I am divorcing myself from the personal attributes of the candidate, and looking at what I believe to be the general community good of attempting to make all people equal in what they wish to do. It isn't that I'm opposing Marty. He knows that."

West recused himself from voting on the appointment,

leaving it to the mayor and four council members to decide.

"It's not up to five people to give someone the power of incumbency," said Councilman Louis Theros, siding with Waldmeir. "The electorate speaks much louder than five votes."

"I appreciate both Pete and Louis' comments," West said. "I don't take them personally."

A 3-2 vote supporting West's appointment was backed by Leonard, Joseph and Mayor James Farquhar. Waldmeir and Theros opposed. After the vote, Waldmeir received full support for the record to show the vote was unanimous.

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Sewer study in works; costly projects loom

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The Kerby Road pumping station passed muster during an initial review by outside consultants. While engineers with the firm, Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, still need to put their

findings in writing, Grosse Pointe Farms officials are encouraged by a positive verbal summary. “They found everything in the station to be in working order,” said Shane Reeside, city manager. “They tested pumps and switch gear. I think they were impressed by the maintenance of the building.”

A more comprehensive and costly study follows, regardless if most of it is paid with help of a state environmental grant. “That will result in some long-term (capital projects), such as whether we separate sewers, or do anything to the pump station,” said Councilman Martin West. The station and power lines

feeding it are infrastructure of interest in the May 25 and Sept. 10 sewage backups into more than 300 basements. Flooding happened in the inland sewer district, generally north of Ridge Road. The district is served by a single, combined sewer system that transports waste and storm runoff to Detroit for treatment. Basements in the lakeside district, mostly between Ridge and Lake St. Clair, didn’t flood.

being sought through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. “We anticipate hearing back from the DEQ by the end of this month, but it may be as late as the end of the year,” Reeside said. “In the meantime, we need to go forward with a review of the facility and district, regardless. In the event we get grant dollars, we will be reimbursed for funds spent.”

the inland district would most likely require a lift station or pressurized lines to force storm water out of the system,” Reeside said. “The DEQ said we could end up with two pump stations we’d have to operate.” Analysis will be independently reviewed, Reeside said. The station study will take another two to four weeks. District review will take two to four months, Reeside said.

City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2011

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present on Roll Call: Mayor Farquhar; Councilmembers, Joseph, West, Theros, Leonard & Waldmeir.

Those Absent Were: None.

Also Present: Messrs. Cornwall, City Attorney; Reeside, City Manager; Tepper, Assistant City Manager; Brennan, Public Service Director; Jensen, Director Public Safety; Hutchins, Deputy Director of Public Safety; Pamela Baker, Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Farquhar Presided at the Meeting.

The Mayor presented a Resolution/Proclamation honoring Councilman Charles S. “Terry” Davis III to his widow Susan Pomeroy Davis and members of his family.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2011, were approved as submitted. The Minutes of the Closed Session held on September 12, 2011, were approved as submitted. The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 15, 2011, were approved as submitted.

The Council heard a Pump Station Flooding Update from the City Manager.

The Council approved the appointment of Mr. Martin F. West to serve the vacancy created by the passing of Councilman Davis, without limitations.

The Council approved the following from the Consent Agenda:

1. CDBG Program – recommendation for Lacaria Concrete Construction Inc.
2. Request by Grosse Pointe South Band & Orchestra Boosters Non-Profit Resolution.

The Council adopted a resolution ratifying the contract from the Police Officers Labor Council.

The Public Safety Report for August 2011 was received by the Council & ordered placed on file.

The Council adopted a resolution that immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session shall be held for the purpose of discussing litigation matters.

Upon proper motion made, supported and carried, the Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, November 14, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 90 KERBY ROAD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236. THE MEETING IS PUBLIC, INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY ALSO VIEW THE AGENDA AND MINUTES ON THE CITY’S WEBSITE: www.ci.grosse-pointe-farms.mi.us/

James C. Farquhar Jr.
Mayor

Matthew J. Tepper
City Clerk

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FLOOD: Residents must file claims within 45 days

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said. “This would ease the burden somewhat. Is there anything we can do now to help them out?”

A voluntary payment by the city to residents can be considered, but may be snarled by legal matters, according to Christopher Caldwell, city attorney.

“Compensation is complicated because of the May class action (suit) that’s been filed,” Caldwell said. “We also have been threatened with action for the September event.”

The city is obligated to deal with attorneys representing residents rather than residents themselves, he added.

“Also, if any voluntary pay-

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- Resident Daniel Salden

ments are made, potentially that attorney will make a claim for it,” Caldwell said. “I presume a contingency fee for their services would be taken off of that.”

Regardless, residents must file damage claims with the city within 45 days of becoming aware of the flood.

“When the investigation is complete and legal obligations are much clearer, a determina-

tion can be made by council,” Caldwell said.

“If this council had acted after the May incident in a more substantial fashion,” Salden said, “I think this class action lawsuit could potentially have been avoided or, at least, diminished.”

Flood victim Rebecca Edward said compensation “would be a wonderful goodwill gesture.”

WEEK AHEAD:

MONDAY, OCT. 10

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MONDAY, OCT. 10

Columbus Day
♦ Federal institutions are closed.
♦ There is no mail delivery.
♦ Grosse Pointe Park City Council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

TUESDAY, OCT. 11

♦ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts a Grosse Pointe Shores candidate forum from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. There are two mayoral candidates and nine vying for six council seats.

♦ Last day to register for the Nov. 8 general election. Register at city halls and Secretary of State offices.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 12

♦ The Dine-Around-Town winners are drawn during the 6:30 p.m. Soroptimist business meeting at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. For more information, call Marya at (313) 310-6683 or visit grossepointe-soroptimist.org.
♦ “Volunteerism: Building a Stronger Sense of Self” for youth, parents and professionals is at 7 p.m. in Beaumont Hospital’s Connelly Auditorium 468, Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. To register, call Betsy Schulte at (313) 473-

1737. A panel of non-profits and teen charitable clubs present positive aspects of helping others.

THURSDAY, OCT. 13

♦ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts a Grosse Pointe Woods candidate forum from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Woods council chambers, 20025 Mack Plaza. Six candidates are seeking three council seats.
♦ WDIV-TV’s Chuck Gaidica, director of meteorology, is the 11 a.m. keynote speaker at the 18th annual Senior Expo at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.
♦ The Tiberius String Quartet performs a concert at 7 p.m. at the First English Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Adult tickets cost \$15 and students pay \$7. For more information, call (313) 884-5040.

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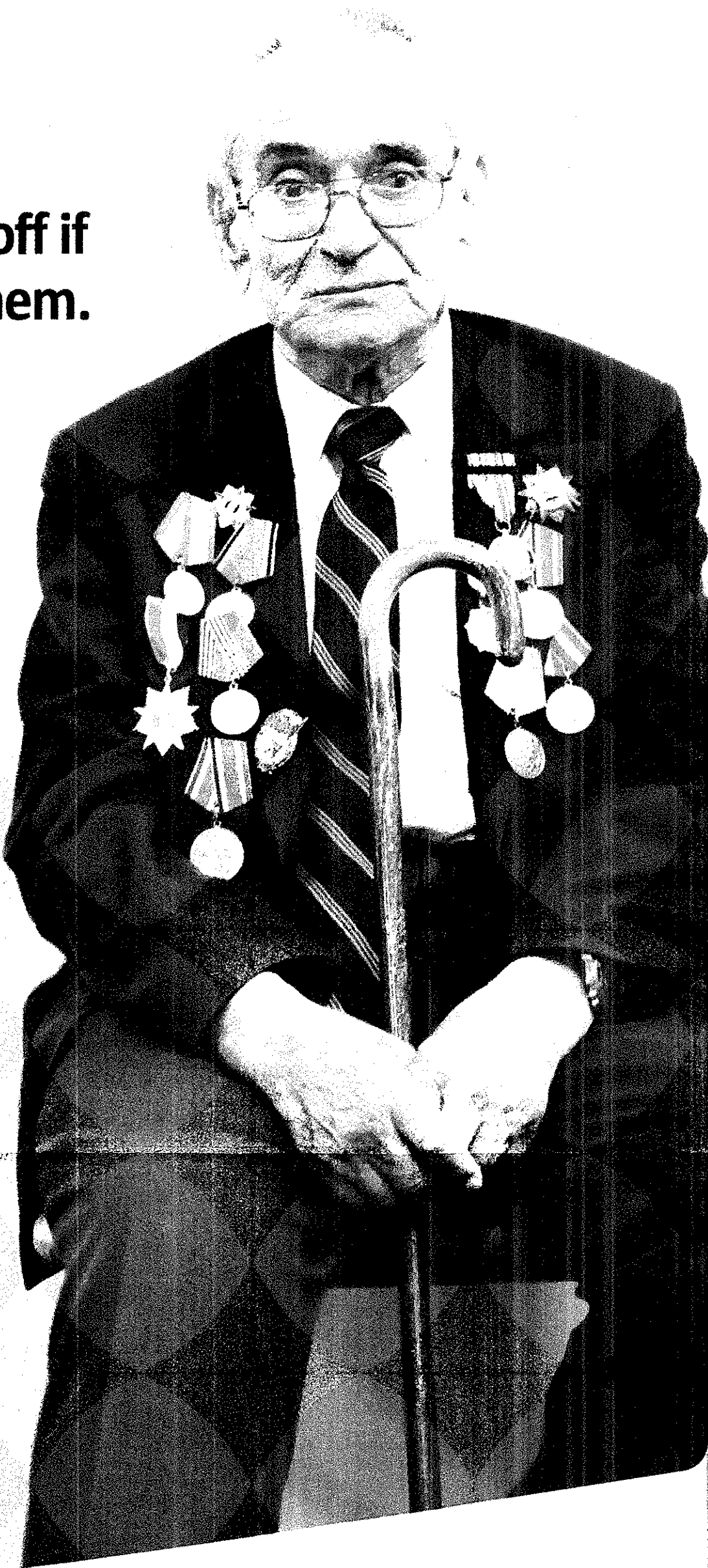
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GUEST OPINION By Michael Van Beek

Michigan's 'very best' schools only 'above average'

The Michigan Department of Education is revising the way it measures school performance. And while reform is sorely needed, the value of state-based school assessments is limited because they only allow comparisons between schools within Michigan's borders. While this may confirm the children of well-to-do parents in suburban districts out-score students in inner city schools, it tells us nothing about how these supposed high-fliers compare to the rest of the country or world.

Out of 14,000 American school districts, none in Michigan rank among the nation's top 60 in either math or reading. Not Grosse Pointe, Bloomfield Hills, Ann Arbor or East Grand Rapids.

To fill the gap, education researchers Jay P. Greene and Josh McGee at the University of Arkansas have created a "Global Report Card," globalreportcard.org, which provides this much-needed perspective. Their report card adjusts a district's performance on state math and reading tests to a national index, using the National Assessment of Educational Progress; and to an international index, using the Program for International Student Assessment. The results are sobering for Michigan. Very few school districts here, even ones thought to be highly successful, hold their own in a national comparison. Out of 14,000 American school districts, none in Michigan rank among the nation's top 60 in either math or reading. Not Grosse Pointe, Bloomfield Hills, Ann Arbor or East Grand Rapids. The international comparisons aren't so hot either. Forest Hills, an affluent suburb of Grand Rapids, had the highest state math score. But it only fell in the 69th percentile in Canada, 65th in Switzerland and 53rd in Singapore. In reading, the highest performing Michigan district, Frankenthum, would rank in Canada's 76th percentile, 83rd in Switzerland and 73rd in Singapore. Michigan's "very best" are only "above average" on an international scale. Compared to other industrialized countries, the average Detroit student ranks in the 12th percentile in math, and the 25th percentile in reading. Detroit turned in the worst performance of the nation's largest 30 districts in the international comparison. As Michigan works to improve our public school system, we should keep this broader perspective in mind. It's simply not good enough for students to outperform their peers elsewhere in the state. Parents, taxpayers and the public schools themselves should demand a higher level of achievement that competes with the very best systems in the world.

Schools of choice

Support for schools of choice comes from groups ranging across the entire political/ideological spectrum. Evidence from Michigan shows parents strongly favor more learning options for their children. Favoring market-based policy, personal liberty and free association, the Mackinac Center has long been a supporter of educational freedom. Thinking about the current status of Michigan schools, it might seem like now is the wrong time to expand learning opportunities for students through more school choice. After all, news of school districts struggling to make ends meet, laying off employees and shuttering buildings abound. But as Mackinac Center president Joe Lehman recently articulated, a fiscal crisis might be the ideal time to harness the cost-saving power of schools of choice. Less government regulation and more freedom in schooling is good for parents, students, teachers and taxpayers. Van Beek is the director of education policy at the Mackinac Center For Public policy.

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G.P. Shores election

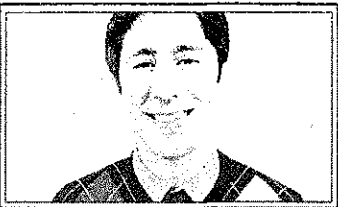
To the Editor:
I am writing this letter in response to a highly unprofessional comment made by Brad Lindberg, staff writer for the Grosse Pointe News, in his Sept. 29 piece, "Council at odds over appointments." In his opening statement, Lindberg wrote, "Grosse Pointe Shores — Another Princess and the Pea type matter framed this month's council meeting." This kind of flip-pant remark indicates the utter disdain Lindberg must harbor for valid concerns posed by our citizenry. And it also does nothing to legitimately report serious issues to our community at-large. His snide reference to the "Princess and the Pea" was undoubtedly made to emphasize his contention the concerns of Shores' citizens in attendance at the Sept. 13 city council meeting, as well as those of Councilmen Ted Kedzierski and Dan Schulte, are specious and disingenuous in nature. Their concerns centered on Mayor James Cooper's recommended appointments to the election commission. Specifically those of Councilwoman Victoria Boyce and Councilman Robert Graziani, as well as the perceived conflict of interest posed by City Manager Brian Vick serving double-duty as city clerk, a dual role specified in the voter-approved city charter, which became effective April 1, 2009. The city charter can always be amended by the citizenry to separate the roles of the city manager and city clerk, as they were before the voter-approved city charter became effective. However, Cooper's recommended appointments to the election commission, insidious as it is, cannot be unchanged. As mayor, he has the legal authority to recommend appointments to the election commission. He also knows four of our six city council members — Boyce, Galbenski, Geraghty and Graziani — are mayoral minions. They all owe their current positions on the city council to having been originally appointed by the mayor. Thus, these four constitute a majority and will rubber stamp any and all of his recommendations without question. The problem with Cooper's recommended appointments of Boyce and Graziani to the election commission, however, is not just one of chronic nepotism, but that it gives the appearance of impropriety, since both have been so closely tied

to city hall for several years. I want to know and understand the pathetic kind of shenanigans always being perpetrated by Cooper and his minions in Grosse Pointe Shores. The only way we are going to stop this nonsense in the future is to deny Cooper re-election, and vote no to re-elect Galbenski and Geraghty, on Tuesday, Nov. 8. We desperately need new people without past ties to city hall in office. Otherwise, our future is doomed. GREGORY F. WALTON Grosse Pointe Shores Foundation gives thanks
To the Editor:
The Gloria and Thomas Kitchen Memorial Foundation would like to extend many thanks to every individual and business that supported our recent "Team Gloria" fundraiser held Sept. 23 at the Blossom Heath. Only through the generosity of so many was this foundation able to raise approximately \$34,000 to benefit those suffering from cystic fibrosis, at the annual fundraiser. The fundraisers started 16 years ago by Gloria Kitchen in memory of her brother, Thomas. As testified by our event speaker, Erin Keon, who suffers from cystic fibrosis, recent therapies made possible only by continued research are dramatically improving the lives of those afflicted by this disease. It is this foundation's hope to continue to extend the life of those suffering from cystic fibrosis. We would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their generous sponsorships: Platinum: Thomas and Carol Cracchiolo Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dossin, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Smith; Gold: Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Alandt, Mr. and Mrs. Andre Augier, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Akins, Durross Painting Company, Birchwood Homes LLC, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Kitchen; Silver: Gloria Anton, Barbara Chiapella and Rob Lyles, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Faber, Four Way Asphalt, Dr. and Mrs. Kevin Grady, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huebner, Bill Volz and Mary Kramer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Metry, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. John Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. William Listman, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Robichaud, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Tillman; Bronze: Pat Alandt, Mr. and Mrs. James Bell, Janet Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huebner, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knoll, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald MacIntyre, Dr. and Mrs. Telly Mascarini, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCurdy, Mr. and Mrs. William Medley, Dr. J. Dale Petrosky, Mr. and Mrs. George Schena and Dr. Tom Williams. We would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their generosity in donating auction items/event supplies: edum d. Ahee Jewelers; Arettee Day Spa; Atwater Brewery; Backer Landscaping; Barb and Rob Peberdy; Jason VanBierliet; Bookie's; Boyne Highlands Resort; Brownie's; Jared Cantin; Carol Roeda Studio; Megan Clark; Colombo Scuba; Will Conway; Crowther Carpet; Dawood; Deb Stallings; Gourdoglogy; Detroit Red Wings; Detroit Symphony Orchestra; Dr. Michael Freedland; Edsel and Eleanor Ford House; Eastside Tennis and Fitness; M.L. Elrick; Farms Market; Fifi Chic Boutique; Flemings Steakhouse;

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I SAY By A.J. Hakim

The power of music and lyrics



Music is power. The melody, the lyrics, the singer's voice. It all coalesces, connecting its listeners on multiple levels emotionally, individually and culturally. For the past decade, I've come to admire musician, singer and songwriter, Richard Ashcroft. Whether with The Verve, solo or with the recently-formed RPA & The United Nations of Sound, his lyrics inspire me, oftentimes drawing me into a self-reflective state. It connects to me emotionally. More so now than in the past. A man who at the peak of popularity — with the 1997 release of "Urban Hymns," The Verve's certified platinum album currently ranks 15th best-selling album in United

Kingdom history — struggled with demons. He took to drugs, suffered from clinical depression and succumbed to those demons, resulting in the band's eventual split in 1999. Much of his struggle — reflected in his deeply personal, borderline autobiographical lyrics, and the sadness in his voice — stems from his childhood, mainly his father's sudden death due to brain hemorrhage when Ashcroft was just 11 years old. "I swallowed a lot of it," he said about the death in a 2004 interview. "I went to school the next day. I started masquerading as a comedian; the teacher called me The Cancer of the Class ... My reaction was to make people laugh, be a joker. "It's a release. It's a defense for the fact that we are totally crushed. You don't have the imaginary rock that everyone else seems to have, that being a father." So, as I continue to cope with the death of my mom three years ago, his lyrics have taken on a different meaning.

Songs like "The Drugs Don't Work," about the negative affects of drugs doctors administered trying to save his father, or "Everybody," about coping with the death of loved ones, mean more now than ever before. Which is why, while re-listening to "Everybody," I struggled with a verse. In it, Ashcroft suggests, "It's not a sign of weakness / When you're searching for the places where the memories flow. There may come a time when you rearrange and may leave those memories / You've gotta let 'em go." Letting the memories go? The memories are what further the distance between thoughts of my mom and niece, Laila, at the time not even a year old, laughing as grandma fed her. And those of my dad crying, the fear of a false hope in his eyes as he tells his sons to remain strong, that their mother has cancer. They stand between thoughts of family vacations to

Florida, Tennessee, Traverse City and Chicago. And those of my mom, lying on her hospital bed, her tan complexion suddenly turning a pale yellow as she sighs her last few breaths, the family crowded around her bedside, watching between fits of crying. To let them go, all that's left are the fluttering images of those final days in hospital room No. 318. The song is the finale on Ashcroft's album, "Alone with Everybody," released in 2000, 18 years after his father's death. Maybe in 18 years, when I'm hopefully in a different state mentally and emotionally, I'll look back on that song, that verse in particular, and agree. Until then, I fully intend to continue cherishing the positive memories of my mom because they're all that's left. And I fully intend to continue listening to Ashcroft's music, whenever he releases another album. Music is power, and his connects with me.

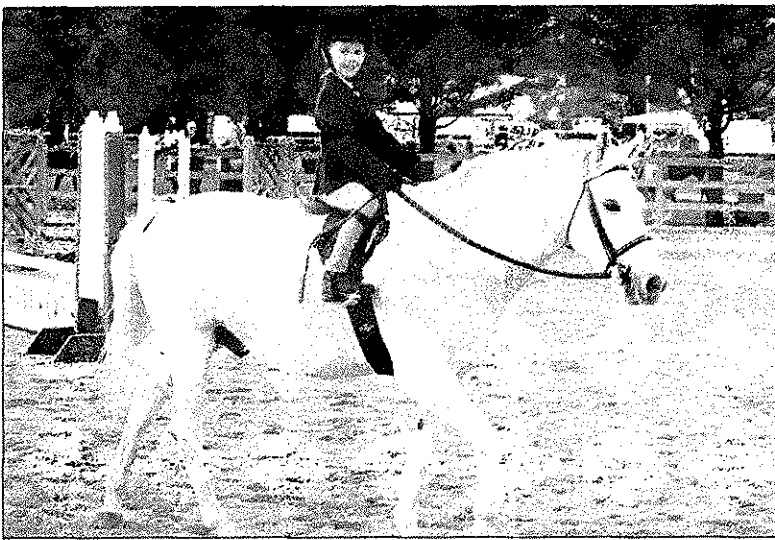


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First place

St. Paul student Campbell Jones, age 6, won the walk trot division aboard "Griffin" at last week's Grosse Pointe Hunt Club B rated pony show. Jones lives in Grosse Pointe Park.

HONORS: City presents resolution to family

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ate about his government and community involvement," said Mayor James Farquhar. "Because of that passion, he was elected to the Farms city council in 2001 and won re-election in 2005 and 2009."

Davis was particularly proud of the Farms' string of property tax rate cuts. "With open mind, he approached each

and every detail with straightforward dedication, keeping the transparency of government sacred and carefully maintaining a voice for all," Farquhar said.

Farquhar presented the resolution to Davis' widow, Susan.

"He was," Farquhar said, "in all his relationships, without guile or deceit, straightforward and honorable, a dedicated citizen and faithful friend who will be missed by all."

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Boutique; Vera Bradley; Village Grille; Village Jewelry and Repair; Village Market; Village Toy Company; Violets are Purple; Waterfall Jewelers; Wink Boutique; and Diane Woolsey Interiors.

I also extend many thanks to a fantastic committee of dedicated family and friends who generously donated their time in planning and executing this event. Thank you for continuing to be a good friend to my sister, Gloria. God bless you!

STEPHANIE KITCHEN
LISTMAN
Event Chairwoman
The Gloria and Thomas
Kitchen Memorial Foundation

An exit bonus

To the Editor:

Much has been written and discussed concerning the \$200,000 bonus/exit perk Turkia Awada Mullin received when she departed her position in Wayne County.

Evidently Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano justifies the payout since it is part of the employment contract he approved for Mullin and a similar one for her predecessor.

As such, we may have reached a new pinnacle in employment contracts!

In that regard, here is the wording I want in my next contract:

"To all concerned:

"Should I voluntarily decide to leave my present position and take a job with another company for a higher salary, I will be paid an exit bonus of \$200,000 along with payment for accrued vacation and sick time.

"In addition, expenses associated with my interviewing for the new job, such as travel and wardrobe expenses, will be borne by my current employer.

"And should I have to relocate to another city, my current employer will bear those expenses also."

On the other hand, maybe I don't want to give Ficano any ideas for updating his staff's contracts. Based on Mullin's payout — which, after much publicity, she returned — from a county steeped in debt, is it any wonder the residents of Grosse Pointe Shores want to secede from Wayne County and join Macomb County!

BILL KALMAR
Lake Orion

Event thanks

To the Editor:

The Grosse Pointe communities continue to amaze in their support of many significant and worthy causes, one of which took place last Friday at St. Philomena Parish, Detroit.

With its pastor, Msgr. Peter S. Lentine, leading the way, the parish opened its doors to more than 300 people who came to support this general fundraiser and fine wine tasting event.

Under the guidance of longtime Grosse Pointers, Jim and Livvie Luffy, of the Fine Wine Source in Livonia, participants had the opportunity to sample many fine wines while dining on hors d'oeuvres paired to the wines.

As Msgr. Lentine noted in his welcoming comments to the assembled enthusiasts, "Your support is far beyond our expectations and we want to thank you all as well as recognize all of the Grosse Pointe

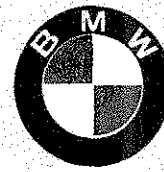
businesses and wine distributors who made this a success through their donations."

Thanks to Da Edoardo's, Bogartz, Dylan's, Andiamo's, Marge's, City Kitchen, Village Food Market, Charvats, R.J. Hirt, Breadsmith, Allemons, Marchiori Catering and the Luffy family. Also, thanks to our wine distributors: Andrew

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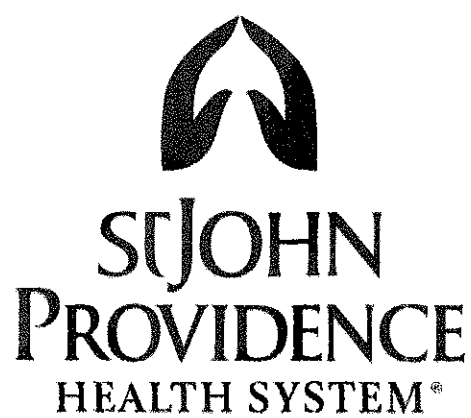
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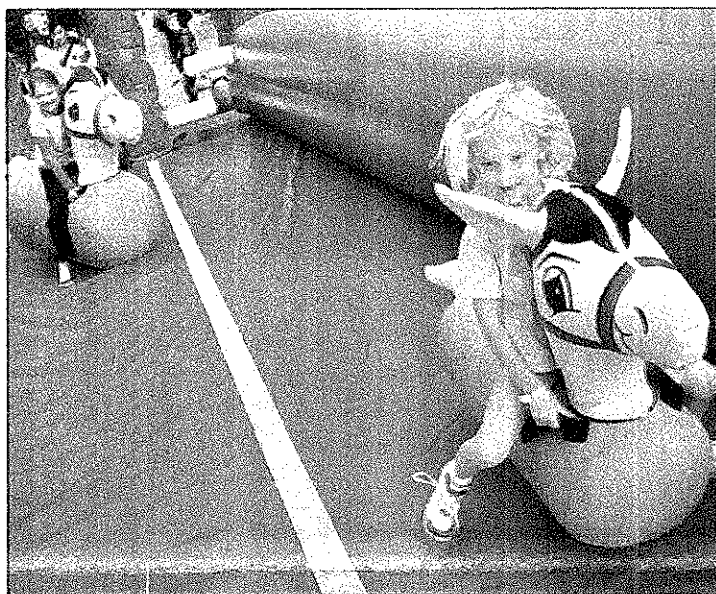
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Fall festival of fun



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Left, In a race to the finish line, Kate Weidig, right, bounced her horse ahead of Kaitlyn Stafford during Defer Elementary School's annual Fall Family Fun Festival. Sponsored by the Defer Parent Teacher Organization, the school's largest event included bounce houses, carnival games, prizes, hermit crab races, food, a cake walk and a DJ.

Above left, Abigail Sparkman attempts to score the stuffed animal into the waterless toilet bowl.

Above, Anticipation set in at the Balloon Showdown. A young boy pumped furiously at the handle, his sister and dad looking on, all awaiting the balloon's popping.

Secretarial staffing restored

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

The increasing significance of a school's clerical staff was made evident in the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education's decision to restore staffing to last year's levels.

"School secretary is the mother of the school," trustee Cindy Pangborn said. "They know the kids by name, they know what's going on in the families, they know what they need."

"But the expectations and needs they provide now are so much greater than 10, even eight years ago. They are having to do a lot more work than newsletters and day-to-day running of that office."

School secretaries now also staff Title I breakfast programs and administer medication to students, among other things. According to board secretary Judy Gafa, who submitted the resolution to restore staffing, at the middle schools alone, approximately 31 students require daily medical attention

for illnesses ranging from diabetes to emergency medication plans for seizures and cardiac issues.

"I think we try very hard in this district to meet the educational needs of our students, but it's like Mrs. Pangborn said, we now have to meet their health and wellness needs too," Gafa said. "And when you have 31 kids, as a nurse, I know what passing out medications is like. It boggles my mind that two laypeople are in an office handing out that many medications. That's when you are opening yourself up to mistakes."

"We have to address educational needs, but we also have to keep our kids safe and healthy too."

The initial resolution requested clerks at the middle schools (1.0) and Poupard (0.8), Mason (0.6) and Defer (0.8) elementary schools return to pre-reduction levels, meaning, their full-time equivalencies prior to June's budget hearings. To balance the general fund equity to

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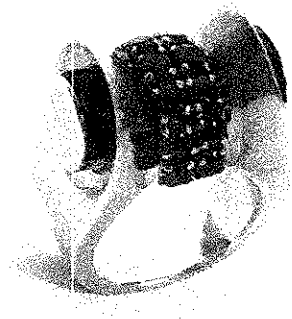
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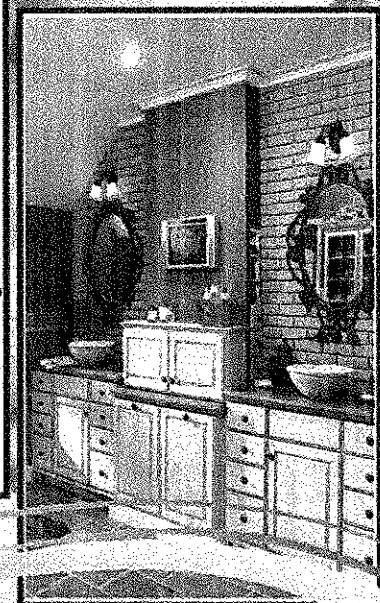
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Students recognized for high test scores

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Tristan Mora, Katherine Murray and Andrew Remenar (North) and Henry Muller (South) join a pool of about 16,000 semifinalists from across the country, acknowledged for their high scores on last year's Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Of the semifinalists, some 15,000 progress as finalists by meeting high academic standards throughout high school, submitting an application, earning an endorsement from

their principal and scoring highly on the current SAT. Competition evaluators notify entrants in February of their standing.

About 8,300 finalists receive one of three Merit Scholarship awards. They include: National Merit \$2,500 scholarships, awarded on a state representational basis; corporate-sponsored Merit scholarship awards, for residents of a community where a company maintains operations or for finalists with career plans encouraged by the sponsor; and college-sponsored Merit scholarship awards, determined by each college sponsor for those finalists accepted for admission.

The latter two awards are renewable for four years of

undergraduate study, while the Merit scholarships are single payments.

In all, more than 1.5 million students from 21,000 high schools across the country participated in the competition. Two-thirds of the approximately 50,000 highest scorers receive Letters of Commendation, while the final third advance as semifinalists.

Another 11 seniors from both schools were named Commended Students. They are: Mary Krusz, Brett Slajus and Nathan Vengalil (North) and Matthew Barnes, Dawei Chen, Brian Hall, Luke Hessburg, Griffin Kiegiel, Charlotte Koelsch, Alyssa Morang-Pavlock and Benjamin Moss (South).



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Blue and orange mania

Honoring the Detroit Tigers' return to the playoffs, St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School's Leadership Council recognized last Friday as Tigers Free Dress Day. Students and faculty, dressed from head to toe in Tigers blue and orange, turned the school into a mini Comerica Park for the day.

Back, from left, John Williamson shows off his Justin Verlander jersey, while Tyrone Gaines, Dominik Lubanski and Dominic Lucido acknowledge the Tigers as the No. 1 team in baseball. Jay Baer flaunts his Miguel Cabrera jersey. Front, Alice Williamson offers her prediction, raising her arms for a Tigers victory.



PHOTO BY A.J. HAKIM

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School Principal Sr. Kathy Avery rides a tandem bike with Rev. Tom Griffin in support of the school's reading celebration day.

Principal's antics show support of summer reading

Though more tame than in previous years, St. Clare of Montefalco Principal Sr. Kathy Avery's antics still produce results.

During each of the last three years, the unconventional Avery showed support for reading celebration day — which honors students, teachers and parents who helped the school achieve its summer reading goal of 100,000 pages — by coloring her hair: and surprising students with a stunt.

In previous years, Avery, with rainbow-colored hair, executed

a headstand; her hair pink, she rode a motorcycle; and last year was raised onto the school roof in a fire truck top bucket and taught her lesson atop the building.

Hampered by a summer back surgery, Avery, her hair lime green, this year decided to keep it calm, electing to ride a tandem bike around the building with the Rev. Tom Griffin.

"I thought about jumping around on a pogo stick," Avery said.

"And someone else suggested stilts. Maybe next year I'll

jump rope. I should still be able to do that."

Despite toning down her antics, students continue to respond. This year, they, along with teachers and parents, surpassed the school goal by 114,000 pages.

And students who tripled classroom reading totals were awarded their own lime green hair color, while any student who met their age group's goal received monthly passes for jeans days to use throughout the year.

—A.J. Hakim

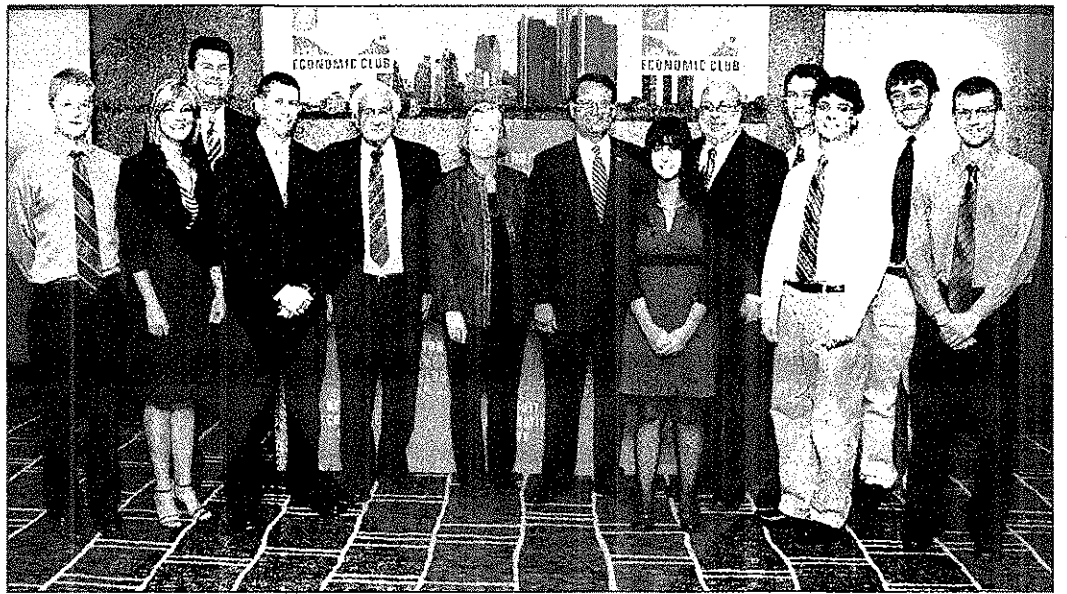


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Through the Detroit Economic Club, students from Grosse Pointe North and South attended a round robin conversation with Congressmen Gary Peters, D — Bloomfield Township, Sander Levin, D — Royal Oak, and Congresswoman Candice Miller, R — Harrison Township. WXYZ news anchor Stephen Clark moderated the event.

Congressman Hansen Clarke, D — Detroit, also attended and spoke with students during a luncheon.

"I am thankful our teachers make the effort to create these opportunities for our students and staff," Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education Treasurer Brendan Walsh said.

"Our students apply their classroom knowledge in these settings. This is what it's all about."

Students from North microeconomics teacher Dan Quinn's class and South students from Bill Cayo's macro and microeconomics classes attended through local busi-

ness sponsorships.

"Getting a chance to hear our government leaders speak and learn about the priorities they have to accomplish is an amazing opportunity for our students and hopefully will inspire their future studies and career choices," superintendent Suzanne Klein said.

"I am thankful to our teachers for continuing to make it possible for our students to be part of such important conversations and see what they read about in our textbooks play out in person."

Fairy tales come alive

A touring theater group is converting the Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School gymnasium into a fairy tale world for an event featuring princes and princesses, magic and enchantment.

The Enchanted Princess Ball, a self-titled theatrical presentation and company based in Port Huron, includes high schoolers and college students well versed in gymnastics, dance, music and song. They dress as Disney fairy tale icons the

likes of Cinderella, Snow White, Sleeping Beauty, Prince Charming and Belle and perform the classic stories.

The production incorporates a 60-foot castle, six-foot wishing fountain, a bridge over a pond filled with live fish, and tables and chairs adorned with ribbons and bows.

Performances also include interactive segments during which the group dances with audience members, who are asked to wear their own roy-

al attire.

Prior to each show, scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 16, those in attendance have opportunities for face painting, photo taking, fingernail polishing, story telling and receive cookies and sparking punch.

Tickets are \$17 and available online at enchanted-princessball.com. Adults must accompany children.

SECRETARIES: '... Eventually you get to zero if you keep spending your savings'

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about \$10 million, clerical staffing was reduced by 4.0 FTE, providing an estimated \$289,000 in savings.

Upon deliberation and director of human resources and labor negotiations Tom Harwood's advice to fully, rather than partially, restore staffing, vice president Joan Dindoffer layered the motion to restore staff to last year's levels. The board approved it unanimously.

"I'd be concerned about the level of disruptions that'd exist across the district with the movement of the individuals, with school starting, routines established," Harwood said, adding a partial restoration would have caused seven individuals to shift from current assignments.

"Some of these individuals have worked in these buildings for a long period of time, know the ins and outs for how the building is run."

Despite the unanimous vote, several board members acknowledged concerns of further shortfalls in fund equity without better budget planning in the future.

"At this time, these four positions are not terribly significant in terms of balancing the budget, and we know they're significant to the students," Dindoffer said. "But we've got to plan and have discussions earlier in the budgeting process about where we're going with spending down fund equity next year."

Added president John Steininger: "While, I, too, am in agreement that four positions, and restoring them right now, really isn't going to have a tremendous amount of impact, I can concur with Mr. [Tom] Jakubiec.

"Maybe 'kicking the can down the road' isn't the terminology I would use, I think more appropriately would be delaying the inevitable. It's not really rocket science to realize,

eventually you get to zero if you keep spending your savings."

MEETING BRIEFS

•Along with restoring clerical staff, the board also approved recalling 18 more teachers from layoff status, as well as hiring 13 new teachers, either partially or fully.

•The 2011-2012 tax rates were approved, with a 0.3 percent, or \$75,922, decrease in operating tax revenue from last year.

•The board appointed Lusk and Albertson (\$230/hour) as an additional firm for the district's special education legal issues. LaPointe and Butler (\$185/hour plus \$1,200/year retainer fee) currently handles all such issues.

•The board approved a resolution for compliance in providing best practices. In complying with at least four of section 22F of the State School Aid Act's five criteria, the district receives a \$100 per pupil, one-time grant.

Prepping for the future

Students have the opportunity to meet with representatives from more than 160 in-state and out-of-state colleges and universities during the 32nd annual College Night.

The event is from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, at Grosse Pointe North, and features three 30-minute sessions with formal presentations from colleges such as

Amherst College, Harvard University, Loyola University — Chicago, Manhattanville College, Michigan State University, Northwestern University, Saint Louis University, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of Michigan and University of Michigan — Dearborn.

Sessions are from 6:10 to

6:40 p.m., 6:50 to 7:20 p.m. and 7:30 to 8 p.m. They provide further in-depth information about the participating schools.

Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods students may attend, as well as those from DeLaSalle, Warren Regina, St. Clair Shores South Lake, University Liggett School and University of Detroit Jesuit.

Fall HOME IMPROVEMENT III

How to achieve zen with serene spaces

A house is meant to be a calm retreat from chaos.

Drawing from 8th century design inspiration, shoji screens are sliding wood panels that incorporate rice paper stretched over the frame. Letting in soft light, the rice paper remains opaque and adds a calming effect with the rhythmic designs of the wood.

Many homeowners today in-

clude shoji screens in their spaces to harness functional design with inspired style.

Terrance Maloney, of Portland Shojiscreen, chooses sliding door hardware for all his modern and functional shoji screens. Maloney built his first shoji screen in 1980 and creates standout screens for commercial and residential spaces. He's been in business since 2000.

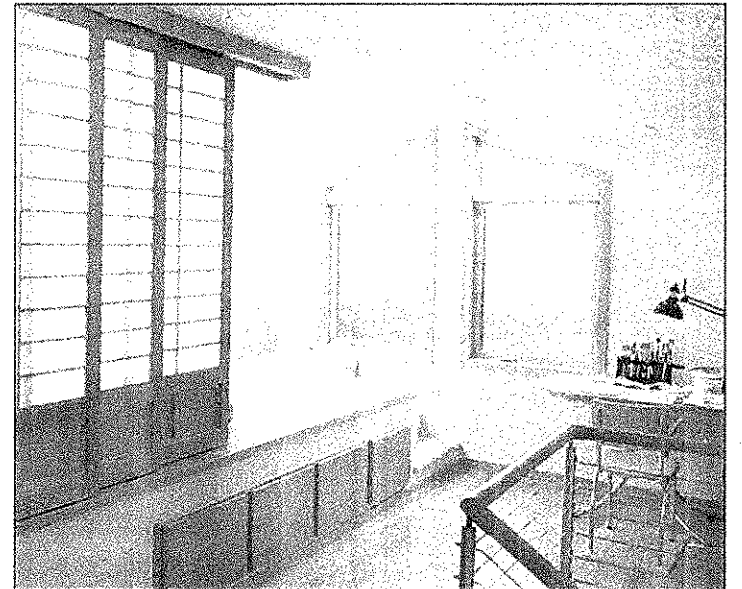
When requested to create a space for guests to relax within a home office, Maloney designed a private guest area behind subtle and demure sliding shoji panels inspired by the calming view of the ocean.

"Shoji screens can transform the feel of a space," he said. "The softly diffused light that passes through the screens and crisp lines of the panels are

calming on the soul."

With the space-optimizing screens, the large room transformed into two distinct settings by maximizing existing square footage while infusing a Zen-like atmosphere. Perfect for saving space, adding privacy and creating versatile floor plans, the soft light and calming design of shoji screens can transform any space, big or small.

"No one wants a shoji screen that does not open and close smoothly," Maloney said. "Bumps in the track, bouncing doors or screens that fall off the track are frustrating," he said, adding using the right hardware eliminates those problems.



Dramatic sliding shoji screens can elegantly reallocate room space as used in this house's guest and office space.

It's time to winterize home plumbing and avoid costly problems

That first chilly autumn morning is the perfect reminder that when winter arrives it can be sudden, often leaving homeowners unprepared for the troubles associated with cold weather.

For Michiganders, preventive action should be taken by Nov. 1. Failure to prepare can prove costly when pipes freeze.

The plumbing experts at Roto-Rooter recommend taking these early precautions instead of waiting until cold

weather arrives.

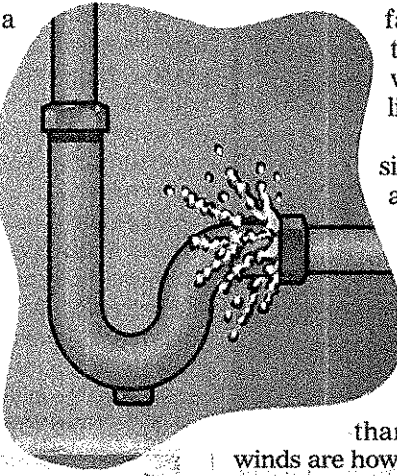
- Disconnect outside water hoses. If left connected during freezing temperatures, water in hoses will freeze and expand causing connecting faucets and pipes to freeze and break.

- Inspect outside faucets. If dripping or leaking, make the necessary repairs or call a plumber before a freeze.

When pipes freeze, water pressure builds causing cracks, no matter if the pipe is made of plastic, copper or

steel. Even a tiny crack can unleash 250 gallons of floodwater in a single day.

- If your home is equipped with interior or shut-off valves leading to outside



faucets, close them and drain water from lines.

- Cover outside faucets using a faucet insulation kit.

- Insulate pipes in unheated areas. It's a lot easier to do this on a pleasant day than when cold winds are howling. Apply heat

tape or thermostat-controlled heat cables around exposed pipes.

- Water heaters work harder during winter months. Drain sediment from the tank, which causes corrosion and reduces efficiency.

- Set water heater thermostat to 120 degrees Fahrenheit for optimum performance while reducing the risk of scalding.

- Clear leaves and debris from roof gutters and downspouts to ensure proper

drainage throughout the winter season. You may have to do this again until the leaves are off of the surrounding trees.

- Inspect and clean sump pit. Remove any rocks and debris from the pit then dump a bucket of water into the pit to test the sump pump. If it turns on, empties the pit quickly then turns itself off, it is operating properly.

- Make sure the furnace is set no lower than 55 degrees during the winter to prevent pipes from freezing.



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Update the bathroom in a weekend

There are some simple and cost effective ways to make a bathroom as good as new in a short amount of time.

Kelly Edwards, designer from HGTV's "Design on a Dime," and Waterpik have some ideas and tips to update any bathroom in less than two days — and for \$200 or less.

"Even the smallest changes can make a big difference," Edwards said. "Pick one or all of the tips below to quickly update and remodel your bathroom without breaking the bank."

Sometimes it's the simplest changes that can really give your room a completely revamped look and feel."

Suggestions for simple changes with big results in-

clude the following anyone-can-do projects:

- Paint. A fresh coat of paint is one of the simplest and most affordable ways to make a big splash in any room.

- Light, bright colors can make the room feel more open and airy.

- Walls aren't the only things that can be painted. Cabinets, ceilings and some floors can be painted.

- Textiles. Look for bargains at closeout stores and check out online sales.

- A fresh set of new towels brings instant color.

- An updated shower curtain can add an air of drama, whimsy, romance or relaxation, depending on the style.

- A new set of rugs can warm up bare, wet feet. Try new and window curtains, too.

- Changing the showerhead can turn a regular shower into a spa-like experience.

- Organizers for shower accessories can be found to fit just about any need and style.

- Replace the typical shower curtain rod with a curved rod. The curve gives more room to shower and adds a bit of visual "oomph" to the room.

- Hardware. Because most bathrooms won't have a lot of knobs or pulls to replace, splurge a little on something special such as cowboy boots, kittens, sea shells, flowers, etc.

- Try a different knob material. Ceramic, wood, stone, brushed nickel and polished bronze all make stylish additions.

Nothing creates mood better than good lighting.

- Turn a recessed light fixture into a hanging one, such

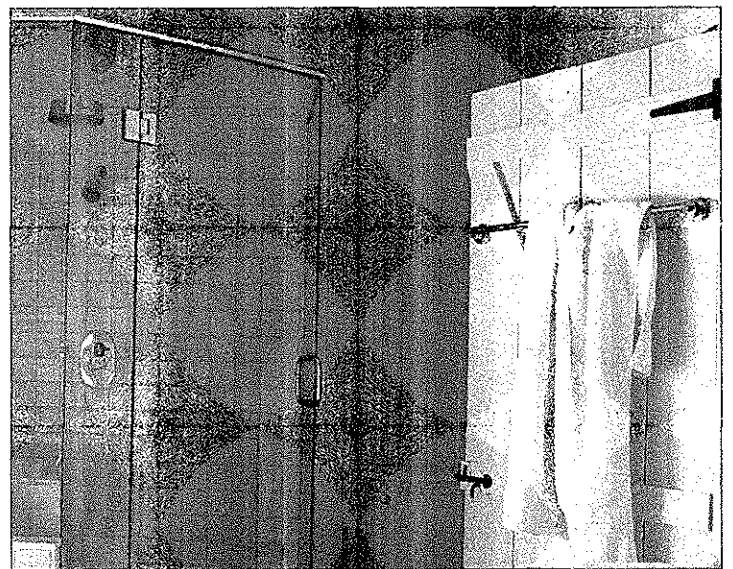
as a refurbished chandelier.

- Install a dimmer switch for the right amount of overhead light needed.

- Adding light sconces on either side of the mirror helps eliminate shadows on the face.

- Keep plenty of candles on hand to create a calm, relaxing atmosphere when it's time for a long soak in the tub.

The key to any project is to work with the space you have and to create a consistent, enjoyable style.



Tips for a healthier bathroom

Devoted to personal cleanliness, the bathroom is often rife with bacteria, mold and mildew — even if it looks spotless.

According to experts, bacteria and mold not only affect the air, but the house's structural integrity.

There are several things that can make the bathroom healthier:

- Clean the shower daily. Use a squeegee to wipe down walls, or spray an eco-friendly white vinegar solution after each use.

- If a shower curtain is used, wash or change it regularly — depending on how "hard" the water is, but usually every one to three months. Cooler, drier air will also reduce mildew in grout between tiles.

- Unclog shower heads. If a shower head becomes clogged with mineral deposits, fill a plastic bag with undiluted white vinegar and place it over the head and seal tie it off with a rubber band. Soak overnight and scrub it with a toothbrush.

- Circulate clean air. A musty smell is a sign the bathroom isn't properly ventilated and is rife with mildew and other airborne mold spores. To control it, use a ventilation fan with a motion and humidity sensor.

- Keep toothbrushes apart.



Germans can spread from person to person when the heads of toothbrushes touch. Also, put down the lid whenever the toilet is flushed. Bacteria-filled mist can travel several feet, landing on porous surfaces such as toothbrush bristles.

- Don't let paint blister. Paint blisters are caused by moisture that helps mold grow. A typical shower adds half a pint of water to the air.

Scrape and repaint blisters. To avoid future growth, replace moist air with dry air by ventilating properly.

"The most important thing you can do to keep mold, bacteria and mildew out of your bathroom, is to properly ventilate it," said Anita So, an executive with the Panasonic Home & Environment Company.

"Indoor pollutants are virtually impossible to eliminate completely by just opening a window, creating the need for a second step to improve air quality. A vent fan can remove stale, moist, polluted air and replace it with fresh air."

By practicing safe bathroom practices, cleaner air will be breathed and structural problems prevented that can decrease the value of a house.

Top 10 kitchen remodeling considerations

Remodeling the kitchen can seem like a daunting task at first glance.

Sarah Reep, KraftMaid director of designer relations and education, recommends considering the following before beginning a kitchen remodel:

- 1) Determine the remodel scope. Projects can range from replacing the kitchen countertops to completely reconfiguring the floor plan.

- 2) Identify ways the kitchen remodel can complement your lifestyle for entertaining and cooking. To make the kitchen functional, all of these elements should play a part in the layout.

- 3) If you plan on doing it yourself, seek guidance from designers.

- 4) When looking for a remodeler, seek recommendations from friends, neighbors and the home builders association. Ask the remodeler for references and a copy of his or her license.

- 5) Set the budget. Be flexible and add a buffer for the unexpected.

- 6) A kitchen remodel isn't a weekend project. Take into consideration any events that could interfere with your time line, such as a family vacation.

- 7) Narrowing down a design style in the beginning, such as modern or traditional, makes the process of choosing colors, appliances and finishes easier.

- 8) When it comes to decorating and remodeling, the options are endless. Page through favorite magazines and visit a local showroom to gather design ideas.

- 9) When choosing appliances, consider the size of the household and kitchen. Collect images of appliances you like from magazines and brochures. Identify what you like about each appliance and consider how it contributes to the overall look and function of the kitchen.

- 10) During the remodeling process, there will be times the kitchen can't be used. Ask the remodeler or designer to help create a plan to allow you to use the kitchen at least partially during different points in the remodeling process.

Though remodeling can seem stressful at first, the right amount of planning and research will simplify the process and result in the kitchen of your dreams.

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The pretty kitchen

House to Home
By Debbie Travis

I have a friend who has cheerfully worked through more than her fair share of kitchen renovations.

Just when she gets it right, another move comes up and it's back to the drawing board. I've followed her progress over a 20-year stretch, from a tiny apartment to a country home and there is always one overriding theme — her kitchens are pretty.

That might sound like an unsuitable goal for the busiest room in the house. Practical, easy to clean, well-planned counter space for food preparation, clever storage solutions, quality appliances are the standard essentials for a kitchen. But for my friend, appearance is key.

There are many ways to update a kitchen. The job depends on whether you rent or own, and most important, the

budget. With these in mind, there are three paths from which to choose: strictly cosmetic, starting from scratch or a bit of both. Whichever route is taken, color, patterns and shapes help you build on your favorite style.

Here's how I would go about creating a pretty kitchen: Delicate colors and gentle shapes are fundamental. Plain white cabinets can be transformed by adding etched-glass panel inserts, molding or trim and attractive handles. Add a scalloped border to shelves or a plate rack. A few coats of paint will unify these custom touches.

A backsplash is one of the major focal points in the kitchen. It runs at eye level, and is the natural break between cabinetry and counter-top. Take advantage of this space. Tiles are available in many styles, sizes and colors. A strong design statement can be made at little cost.

In the kitchen shown here, the pink tiles are accented by the design of the inset and hidden lighting. The arched detail heightens the effect of the color. The wall behind the cabinets is a fresh shade of green and a favorite complement to any shade of pink.

If now is the time to replace your sink, check out styles with patterned apron fronts. Here's another element on the pretty list, but it is a splurge item: Kohler's Alencon Lace Design etched on the Dickenson under-counter sink is characterized by an interlacing pattern reminiscent of 17th century French lace from the city of Alencon. The design feature of a patterned or colored apron front sink is strong enough to carry the overall theme in the kitchen.

Natural or imitation stone is a durable material that slips effortlessly into traditional and modern looks, as does



wood. Country wood plank and city ceramic chic both work to be pretty. Wood can be left natural, or stained to a light hue. A patterned tile border will dress up a plain floor.

Vinyls are comfortable and practical and available in a range of patterns, thanks to

the invention of photo imaging. Enjoy the look of grass or pebbles underfoot.

With all the products available, you can change one or two items in the kitchen and accomplish a whole new look. Pastel pink, blue and green,

lace, scalloped and veined patterns, curves and arches are simply pretty. Try out a new personality in your kitchen.

Debbie Travis' column is produced by Debbie Travis and Barbara Dingle.

Battling bedbugs

They may only be the size of an apple seed, but bedbugs are no small matter.

While they are not known to transmit diseases, these unwanted pests can leave red, itchy welts on some and cause more adverse reactions in others.

Bedbugs don't discriminate. They have been found in swanky hotels and high-end offices as well as houses, dorms and apartment buildings all over the country.

According to Terminix, the most bedbug-infested cities for 2011 include:

- 1) New York
- 2) Cincinnati
- 3) Detroit
- 4) Chicago
- 5) Philadelphia
- 6) Denver
- 7) Washington, D.C.
- 8) Los Angeles
- 9) Boston
- 10) San Francisco
- 11) Columbus, Ohio
- 12) Dayton, Ohio
- 13) Baltimore
- 14) Louisville, Ky.

15) Dallas
According to the National Pest Management Association, 95 percent of United States-based pest management companies surveyed indicated their company has encountered a bed bug infestation in the past year.

Bedbugs are nocturnal. By day, they hide in cracks and crevices near beds and furniture and emerge at night to feed while their victims sleep. They are usually found in headboards, box springs and bed frames but will also harbor in nightstands, lamps, dressers, etc. near the bed.

Bedbugs are difficult to catch in the act of feeding; however, they will leave behind signs of their presence. Infestation signs include:

- Blood spots on bedding.
- In heavily infested areas, their dark-colored excrement may be visible.
- Bedbug bites generally re-

sult in raised, itchy areas similar to those of mosquito bites.

• In heavy infestations, a strong, musty odor may develop.

Bedbugs are extremely difficult to eliminate once they infest a house, and the help of a trained professional is necessary.

Here's what travelers can do to protect themselves from bedbugs:

- Check headboards, mattresses and box springs for bedbugs and the dark blood spots they leave behind.
- Hang all clothing. Leave nothing lying on the bed or furniture.
- Avoid unpacking clothing and storing it in the hotel's furniture drawers.
- Don't allow baggage to sit on the floor. Store it on a luggage rack as far from the bed as possible.
- If evidence of bedbugs is noticed, request another room or change hotels.



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Protect the deck now to enjoy it later

Colder temperatures, snow and ice can damage the exterior of a house, especially wooden decks.

Harsh winter weather can deteriorate the wood, ruin the look and depreciate value. Take extra care of it now so it is in tip-top shape for backyard barbecues in the spring.

There are three steps to winterizing a deck.

First, give it a good wash. There are a number of substances on the deck that may cause problems during winter. Mold and mildew can cause erosion on various types of wood. Cleaning the deck can also prevent dry rot — wood decay caused by fungi.

Start by removing furniture and planters. Moisture caught

between the deck and planters or furniture can seep into the wood during the winter and stain the surface. Sweep off dirt and debris and clear the space between the planks for ventilation.

A leaf blower can clear the surface quickly. Wash the deck with deck soap — a specific formula can be found for each type of wood. After washing, give it a good rinse with the hose.

Next, restore the deck by stripping and refinishing the wood. Strip and refinish the deck before staining to ensure sealants adhere to the wood and cover evenly. Power washing the deck is recommended to remove old paint and stains.

Maintain a consistent dis-

tance from the surface of the deck to produce a smooth finish.

The last and most important step is protecting the deck with water repellent stain. Stains or sealants prevent water, snow, etc. from penetrating the wood and causing decay. Ask the hardware or home improvement store assistant about the best high-quality stain for your type of deck.

Using a paint sprayer can make staining faster and provides a professional finish. A paint sprayer can also help cover hard to reach areas, such as railings, posts and underneath the deck.

The deck is one of a house's greatest assets. Prolong the life of that investment by winterizing it each year.



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Cleaning challenges: Minimizing the mess

It can be a challenge to keep the house clean, especially for busy families.

When the children are home, more dirt, mud and sand gets tracked in, whether it's from sports practice or outdoor play. Pets add to the mess. A recent study conducted by the NPD Group, a global market-research firm based in New York,

revealed more than half of pet owners — 51 percent — reported managing and cleaning up pet hair is their No. 1 cleaning chore.

"Certain times of the year I typically double my cleaning efforts," said Pierra Jolly, founder and editor of JollyMom.com, a website devoted to her trials and tribula-

tions of raising a 3-year-old and a Labrador retriever. "I make sure everything is under control in case we are babysitting, dog sitting or hosting an unexpected cookout or sleepover. Unless I stick to my established cleaning schedule, I fall behind."

Jolly has the following tips to minimize the mess:



- Clean one room a day. Develop a cleaning schedule where each day is devoted to one room in the house — kitchen on Tuesday, bedrooms on Wednesday, etc. Save the rooms considered high-traffic areas for later in the week in case of unexpected company.

- Remove pet hair with a vacuum cleaner using a pet hair hand tool with rubber blades. Consider grooming pet's fur more frequently to help control shedding.

- Start at the top. When cleaning a room, start at the ceiling with the corners and light fixtures, and work your way to the floor. Finish by vacuuming to pick up the dust and dirt.

- Leave the mess outside. Avoid tracking in grass, mud and sand by establishing a mud room, a place for children to store toys, shoes and sports equipment.

- Let the air in. After giving the carpets a deep cleaning, open the windows. Fresh air will speed up the process of drying carpets.

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OBITUARIES

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

Julie Louise Ambill

Grosse Pointe Park resident Julie Louise Ambill, 84, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2011.

She was the beloved wife of Howard W. Ambill, who predeceased her, and loving mother of Joann L. Thompson, Paula J. Bajer and Rebecca S. Cornett. She was the proud grandmother of Paul E. Bajer, Karen L. Thompson and Brian W. Thompson.

She was an active member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where she served as a deacon and in many volunteer capacities.

Her family said Mrs. Ambill lived a long and happy life and raised three children who admired and loved her. Through her influence, they have gone on to successful careers and raised children of their own.

Mrs. Ambill will be deeply missed.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Mary Ann Fannon

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Ann Fannon, 91, died Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011.

She was born July 9, 1920, a loving daughter of William and Evangeline Gehring.

Her family said Mrs. Fannon was a devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She enjoyed following the achievements of her grandchildren and watching them mature into accomplished young adults.

During her life, she volunteered at St. John Hospital for 25 years and was a member of the Fontbonne Auxiliary. She was a member of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. Her family said she will be greatly missed for her faithfulness, sense of humor and tremendous love for family and friends.

Mrs. Fannon is survived by her children; Sharon (Larry) Seneski, Robert J. Fannon, Jr., Brian (Jan) Fannon, Ann (Mike) Braun and Colleen (Brian) Murray; daughter-in-law, Carmen Fannon; 20 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her parents; her loving husband, Robert J. Fannon Sr. and her daughters, Patricia Hirschberg and Pamela Michels.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 21620 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores. Visitation begins 9 a.m. at the church. Interment will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Fontbonne Auxiliary, St. John Hospital,

22101 Moross, Detroit, MI 48236 or St. Joan of Arc Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Arrangements were handled by A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Brewster F. Fausone

Brewster F. "Bruce" Fausone, 86, died Monday, Sept. 26, 2011.

He was the beloved husband of Margaret, nee Kilbride, for 62 years and loving father of Brien (Lynn Marie), James (Carol Ann), William (Mary Ellen) and Elizabeth Anne (Wade Bagnall) Fausone. He was the proud and loving grandfather of Brett, Michael, Maureen, Andrew, Brenden and Bridget.

Mr. Fausone was a longtime parishioner of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park and attended the University of Detroit. He was proud to serve his country in the U.S. Navy.

A funeral Mass was celebrated last week at St. Paul of Tarsus Catholic Church in Clinton Township. Interment was in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

Donations may be made to Henry Ford Hospice at henryfordgiving.com or the St. Paul of Tarsus Building Fund, 41300 Romeo Plank Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038.

Express condolences or share a memory at wujekcalcaterra.com.

Edmund T. Koski

Harper Woods resident Edmund T. Koski, 87, died Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011.

He was born Nov. 16, 1923, in Hamtramck to Walter and Felixa Korczakowski and attended Alliance College in Cambridge Springs, Pa. before being called into service for the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. Koski served with the 456th anti-aircraft artillery battalion, 3rd Army, under Gen. George Patton and saw active duty during the Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, The Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns as well as the Battle of the Bulge. He was seriously wounded in the back from shrapnel of dropped shells by an escaping German plane west of Paris along the Seine River during the liberation of Paris. He was an honorably discharged disabled American veteran with five Bronze stars, a Good Conduct Medal and a Purple Heart.

For 36 years he worked as a wood model-maker/checker for General Motors.

Mr. Koski enjoyed fishing and traveling. He was a member of the Disabled American

Veterans and a founding benefactor of the American Polish Cultural Center in Troy.

Mr. Koski is survived by his son, Robert.

He was predeceased by his wife, Marion; parents, and sisters, Wanda Shipan and Angeline Casby.

A funeral service was held at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park.

M. Eleanor Mecke

Eleanor Mecke, nee Flaherty, 82, an active member and leader in Detroit's community organizations, died Thursday, Sept. 29, 2011.

She was born and raised in Great Barrington, Mass., the daughter of Mabel and William Flaherty. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in physics from Trinity College, Washington, D.C. in 1950 and a Master of Arts degree in music from Yale University in 1954. After graduating from Yale, she worked for General Electric in Pittsfield and Lynn, Mass., helping design jet engines.

In 1956, she married Theodore H. Mecke Jr. of Germantown, Pa., and moved to Detroit, where her husband was employed by Ford Motor Co.

In her 55 years in Detroit, Mrs. Mecke was an active volunteer and leader in civic and community organizations. She volunteered with and served on the boards of the Merrill Palmer Institute, Franklin Wright Settlements, the Junior League of Detroit, Adult Well-Being Services, the Garden Club of Michigan, The Greening of Detroit, the Grosse Pointe Farms Beautification Commission, the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, the Sigma Gamma Association and the Detroit Institute for Children.

Mrs. Mecke, a master gardener, was honored in 2010 by the Garden Club of America with the Club Appreciation Award for her "steadfast contributions to the vitality and excellence of the Garden Club of Michigan."

Mrs. Mecke is survived by her brother, William Flaherty; sister, Roseanne Madden; four sons and their wives, William and Katherine, T. Hart III and Mary Alice, John and Leticia and Stephen and Elizabeth and nine grandchildren, T.H. McCalla IV, Courtney, Maureen, Patrick, Liliana, Marisa, Jacqueline, Katherine and Campbell.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 3, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

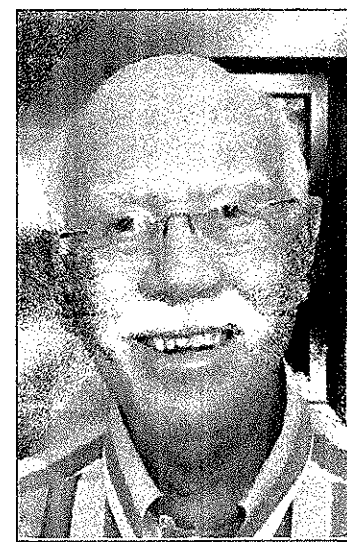
Donations may be made to the Capuchin Mission Association, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.



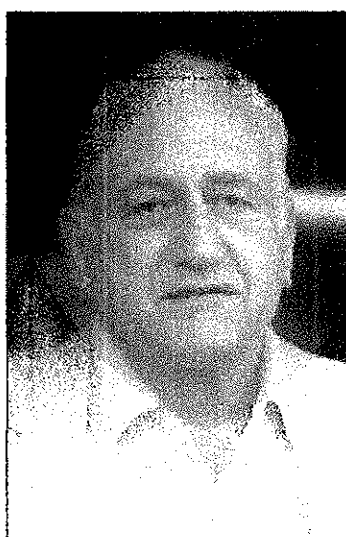
Julie Louise Ambill



Mary Ann Fannon



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Edmund T. Koski



M. Eleanor Mecke



Samantha Alexandria Yee

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On Sept. 23, 2011, Samantha Alexandria Yee, an energetic and courageous 11-year-old, shared her energy with the world.

She was born July 1, 2000, at Bon Secours Hospital and attended Kerby Elementary School. Her favorite subjects were math and computer lab. She was an involved student and proud she was elected to student council in 2010.

Her family said she was smart, strong, courageous, funny and feisty. Once you met her, you would never forget her and, no matter the situation, she could put a smile on your face.

Samantha loved to dine out and was featured in the Detroit Free Press giving the Pancake House a thumbs up. She enjoyed shopping and was known for her fashionably trendy style. Her favorite colors were pink, purple and "bling-bling."

She loved reading, drawing, playing board games, and doing word searches.

She enjoyed baking cupcakes and cookies and traveling. Her favorites were yearly trips to Disney World and Chicago.

Being busy was important to Samantha. She spent summers at day camp and participating in activities at the park. Some of her happiest times were dancing, especially to the latest hits. She attended classes for ballet, tumbling, hip-hop and singing.

She enjoyed annual traditions including birthday bashes and Chinese New Year parties. She held a lemonade stand at the Farmers Market in Chicago each summer and ran a Girl Scout cookie booth every February at the Golden Dragon Restaurant. Each November she looked forward to walking in the Grosse Pointe Thanksgiving Parade.

She loved to collect stuffed animals. Her favorite animals were monkeys and chimpanzees. This interest was so strong it earned her the nickname, "Monkey."

Samantha lived life to the fullest. Every day was a celebration.

She loved her family and friends dearly and brought joy to everyone's life.

Samantha is survived by her loving parents, Donna Yee and Mitchell Groters; grandparents, Wang and May Yee, Elizabeth Freeman and Steven and Diana Groters; uncles, aunts and cousins, Erwin Yee, Sarah Lam, Ethan Yee, Wendy Yee, Louie Lin, Shannon Vallarino, Leila Vallarino, Christina, Raimo, Alexander, and Christopher Karhunen, Kyle, Bradley, Kory and Hailey Groters and Eric Stubig and her many great-aunts and uncles.

A memorial service was held Sept. 27 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation, 8085 Saltsburg Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15239 or to assist the family with medical expenses, to the Children's Organ Transplant Association, in memory of Samantha Yee, 2501 West Cota Drive, Bloomington, IN 47403, or at cotaforsamanthay.com.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 P.M.
ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 8, 2011, the Special City Council meeting held August 29, 2011 and the Special City Council held September 12, 2011 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Trustees Employees Retirement System meeting held on August 8, 2011 and the Library Board meeting held on August 18, 2011.
- 2) To approve the 2012 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on October 3, October 17 and October 24 and further, to hold a public hearing on the 2012 Budget on November 7, 2011.
- 3) To add to the agenda the adoption of an agreement for a leave of absence for the City Manager, and the acceptance of an agreement for an acting City Manager.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 95063 through 95392 in the amount of \$1,949,940.99 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$6,300.19 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Inter municipal Radio System for the period January 1 through June 30, 2011. (3) Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$23,839.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including the Community Center, DPW, City Hall annexes, the parks and various residential homes that were not in compliance with the City's ordinance. (4) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$5,035.20 for professional services during the month of August 2011 for the following projects: 2011 Emergency Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-136 and the 2011/2012 CDBG ADA Ramp Replacement Project, #180-138. (5) Approve payment to Greater Detroit Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$6,477.24 for the urgent repair needed for the air-conditioning compressor at City Hall. (6) Accept the proposal from Duro Construction Company in the amount of \$13,365.00 for the immediate repairs following water main, water service box and sewer repairs in several locations within the City. (7) Approve the request from the Harper Woods Secondary School to hold their annual homecoming parade on Friday, September 30, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) To confirm the Financial Oversight Committee's appointment of Deputy Chief James Burke as Police Chief for the City of Harper Woods and further, approve the employment agreement between Chief Burke and the City of Harper Woods.
- 3) To approve payment in the amount of \$648,134.37 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain principal and interest payments; \$462,033.19 principal and interest on the 1991 Series Bond, \$62,404.04 principal and interest on the 1992 Series Bond and \$123,697.14 principal and interest on the 1993 Series Bond.
- 4) To approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$175,377.75 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the fourth quarter of FY2011.
- 5) To adopt the resolution on Condemnation of Dwelling and Abatement of Public Nuisance recommended by the City Attorney to proceed with condemnation of the property at 19316 Beaconsfield.
- 6) To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining matter.
- 7) To approve the agreement for a leave of absence for City Manager James E. Leidlein effective September 19, 2011, and furthermore, authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.
- 8) To appoint Randolph Skotarczyk to the position of acting City Manager effective September 19, 2011 through December 31, 2011, further, to authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Mickey D. Todd, City Clerk

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THE GROSSE POINTES



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All GP movie night

Alyssa Cole and her sister, Tara, attend a showing of "Despicable Me" during the all-Grosse Pointe movie night on the football field of Grosse Pointe South High School. They brought along a picnic basket.

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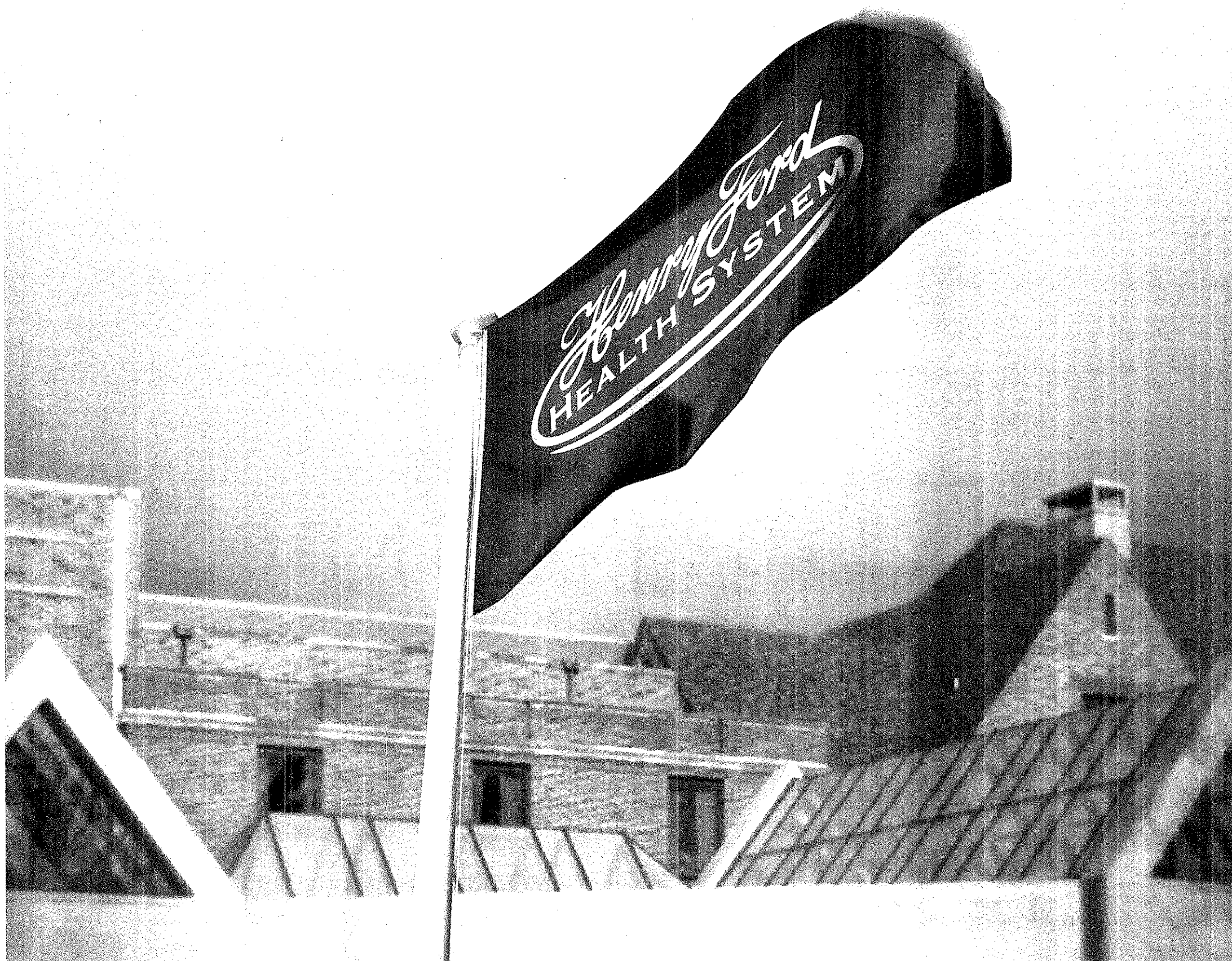
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There is so much going in a teenagers life today. They feel stressed. Adults add expectations leading to more stress. Sometimes teenagers need to relax. During a recent **awareness series** seminar, a panel discussed its concerns.

Teens speak up

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Our children are going to be OK, if a recent panel discussion by area teens is any indication.

That's not to say they don't have a lot of challenges and stress, but they are coping and more often than not, they look to their parents for approval. Even when parents don't think they count that much in their child's life.

That was the consensus of about a dozen high school students who participated in "In The Voice of Our Teens, a Dialogue Supporting Resiliency" co-sponsored by The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods in partnership with CARE of Southeastern Michigan, The Beaumont Health Coalition and Grosse Pointe Student Volunteer program, SERVE of the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

"All of the children speaking tonight are volunteers," explained CARE's Community Organizer Anne Nearhood. "They are teens active within their schools and community and they will tell us what we as parents need to know."

And probably more than some parents want to know.

It was a wide-ranging discussion, with topics from teen drinking and drug use to advanced placement classes to stresses students have today.

The panel was a cross-section of teens from both Grosse Pointe North and South high schools and private schools. Moderated by South juniors, Jackie Francis and Tori Taylor. To allow students to speak more comfortably, individual participants and their comments would not be identified.

The moderators kicked off the discussion with a topic near and dear to almost every teenager, a driver's license. And while teen drivers are familiar with abbreviations such as RPM and MPH, most are even more familiar with MIP, and know exactly how a minors in possession conviction will affect their driving priv-



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Moderators Jackie Francis and Tori Taylor.

ileges.

Under new laws, the state has taken a zero tolerance approach toward teens caught drinking and driving. A first offense, with a blood alcohol level as low as .02, nets a teen a \$250 fine and an automatic restriction on driving privileges. Several panelists also pointed out an MIP charge can affect college admissions.

One young man said he felt the new driving law lowered drinking in teens over the age of 16, while increasing it in younger teens.

"When you have your license, you know there are consequences, when you don't have a license, you don't have to worry so much about consequences," he said.

Several panelists agreed, noting driving gives a teen the perfect excuse to not drink at parties, as everyone accepts the designated driver title as a reason not to drink. Another excuse many said they used to turn down drinks was their involvement in school sports.

But while teens are starting to recognize underage drinking does have consequences, that doesn't mean they aren't imbibing, and most panelists agreed that "everyone does it."

As far as marijuana, the teens said ever since the medical marijuana law was passed, teens don't see marijuana so much as a drug anymore, and said Grosse Pointe's proximity

to Detroit makes buying marijuana very easy, but agreed it wasn't as widely used as alcohol.

What surprised some was the reason many teens gave for the high incidence of alcohol and drug use; their parents and teachers put constant pressure on them to succeed.

"The residents of Grosse Pointe are very successful, and we hear all the time from teachers and parents about how we need excellent grades and to graduate from a good college to succeed," one noted. "That puts a lot of pressure on us. It puts even more pressure when we've had a sibling who has done well and gotten into a top college."

The panelists agree this is really the biggest issue facing Grosse Pointe teens and one of the major excuses for drinking.

"Some kids feel the need to self-medicate," said one panelist. "Drinking is the cure for the stress. You look forward to the weekend to relieve the stress."

Even as the panelists said parents, teachers and coaches put a lot of pressure on them to succeed, they all agreed having an adult, be it a parent, teacher, coach or even a friend's parent to confide in, enabled them to handle the stress a little better.

"It's important to have that 'safe' person in your life," one noted. "It's another person in your life that you want to be



A panel comprised of teenagers discussed their stress and how an adult's input is important to their decisions.

proud of you."

And they all agreed the worst thing a parent or a significant adult can is, "I'm not mad, I'm disappointed."

With media emphasis on bullying, the panelists had some

thoughts on it, most indicating it was not that big of an issue in schools, but did tend to get out of hand online.

"I'm not sure it could be called 'bullying,' but Facebook fights can get ridiculous," one

panelist commented.

Other topics touched on that night included school ("I hate homework." "If teachers gave less homework, I'd be more in-

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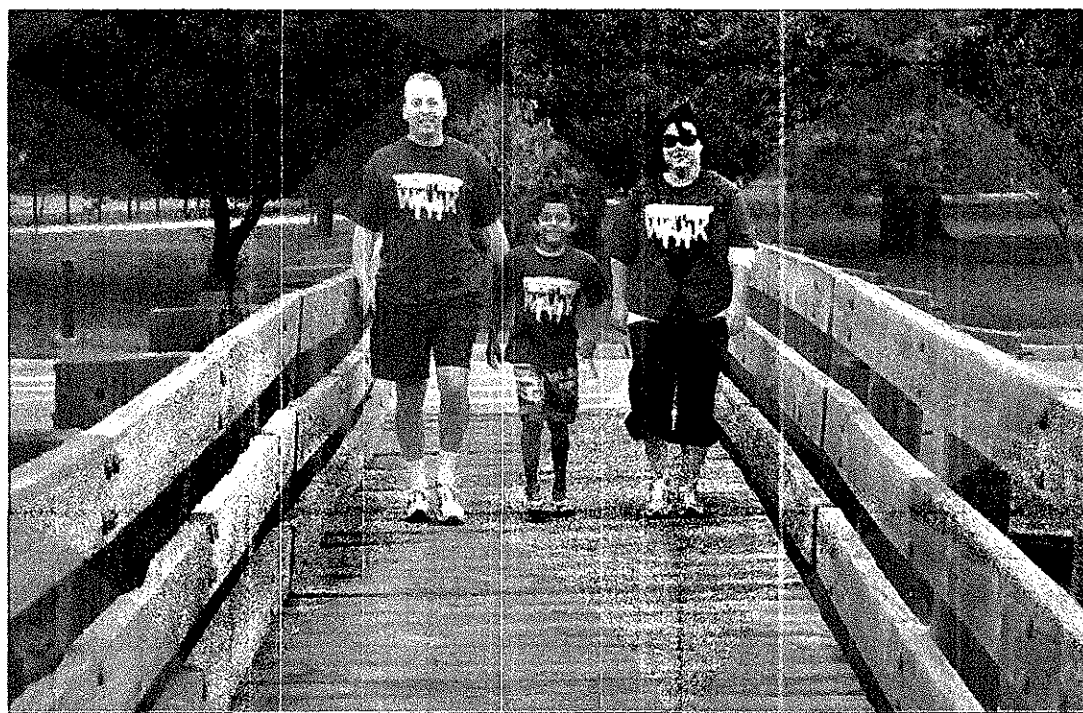
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Bridge walk

Grosse Pointe Woods' annual Labor Day bridge walk culminated this summer's Walk Michigan program in Lake Front Park. The local walk coincides with the annual Mackinac Bridge crossing and includes its own bridges on which Colin, Alexander and Melanie Horbal crossed. Residents recorded more than 1,128 miles on the path this summer.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Grannie Nannies

The Grannie Nannies meet from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at Services for Older Citizens, Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage, 159 Kercheval, third floor south wing, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call SOC at (313) 882-9600.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe hosts Claudia Hardy who discusses "French Outside the Classroom: Relevance and Application in

Commerce, Career, Travel and International Relations," at noon Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club, 655 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. Lunch is served at noon.

Hardy is a retired translator and publications director for the Amway Corporation.

The cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for affiliated members, \$35 for non-members and the student rate is \$15.

◆ The club hosts the film, "Jouesue," (Queen to Play) at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Woods branch, 20680 Mack. There are English subti-

ties.

Admission is free. For reservations, contact David Thoms at thoms@millercanfield.com.

SOC

Services for Older Citizens help seniors analyze costs and benefits of supplemental and Medicare Advantage Plans during a lunch and learn at 11:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, at SOC, now located in the Henry Ford Medical Center - Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

SOC volunteers and Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program counselors are available to explain how each Medicare program works, costs involved and how and when to enroll and make changes.

Low-income individuals may qualify for help paying premiums and co-pays through Extra Help and Medicare Savings programs.

To register for either presentation, call (313) 882-9600.

◆ Flu and pneumonia shots are available from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, and Thursday, Oct. 20, at SOC.

An additional clinic is noon to 3 p.m. at the Harper Woods Public Library.



Murray foundation

The George V. Murray Foundation hosts its fifth annual Wine Tasting Event from 7 to 9:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 21, at the Grosse Pointe Windmill Pointe Park Tompkins Center. A variety of wines, hors d'oeuvres, music and a silent auction are featured with proceeds benefiting the George and Leona Murray Scholarship Fund. The scholarship provides girls from southwest Detroit an opportunity for a quality education. This year's scholarship recipients attend Detroit Cristo Rey and Mercy high schools. Advanced tickets cost \$50. For more information, contact Kathleen Hedges at gvmfoundation@comcast.net. The deadline is Friday, Oct. 14. The planning committee is from left, Jane K. Davies, of the City of Grosse Pointe; Patti Bickerstaff, of Grosse Pointe Park; Kathy Smith, of Grosse Pointe Woods; Diana Domin, of Grosse Pointe Park; Michele Burns, of Royal Oak; Susan Franke, of Grosse Pointe Park; Kathleen Hedges, of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Nancy Tuuri, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Appointments can be made by calling (313) 882-9600. Bring your Medicare card, driver's license or Michigan identification and supplemental health insurance card.

Without Medicare, the cost is \$25 for a flu shot and \$70 for a pneumonia shot.

October birthdays are celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12. The cost is \$3. Alice Laitner provides the musical entertainment. Those observing October birthdays receive a piece of cake with a candle, are serenaded with the happy birthday song in three languages, receive a photo and a free lunch.

Herb society

Witches potions, poisons and brews is Ed Blondin's topic at the 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, talk at the Grosse Pointe Unit of Herb Society of America at the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. The public is invited.

Reservations are accepted for the Horseradish Harvest Dinner 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Tompkins Center in Grosse Pointe Park. The cost is \$15. Call Gail at (313) 885-5194 for reservations.

Rotary club

Detroit Free Press reporter John Gallagher speaks at the noon Monday, Oct. 10, Grosse Pointe Rotary Club meeting at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. His topic is "Reimagining Detroit."

Club members continue collecting books for their literacy program. The drop-off center is at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The center is open from 7 to 9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Entrance is at the rear of the church building.

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

War Memorial

Grosse Pointe War Memorial programs include:

Cooking with Cordier — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6. Master Chef Doug Cordier shares his secrets for creating appetizers, hors d'oeuvres antipasti and tappar. During the program, an assorted antipasti platter and rustic bread with salsa verde dipping sauce and authentic Italian regional wines are served. The cost is \$48 and attendees must be 21 years of age and up.

"Harvest Dance" Middle school dance — 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7. This is open to all sixth to eighth graders who reside in or attend school in Grosse Pointe. Advanced tickets cost \$12, the week of the dance, the cost is \$14. Students must have a War Memorial ID card. Tickets are not sold at the door.

Haunted House — 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 8. Parents and children ages 4 and up can make a "haunted house" from graham crackers and other goodies. The instructor is Joan McCray. Cost is \$41 for one house, one adult and one child; \$79 for two houses, one or two adults and two children.

Cupcake Decorating for Adults — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 11. Chef Pam Gustairs demonstrates ways to swirl, sprinkle, dip, glaze and decorate. The cost is \$41.

Holiday Mart

The 53rd annual Grosse Pointe Holiday Mart, with items from 30 upscale shops in Michigan and across the country, is from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The Patron Preview Cocktail Party is from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, and features food from local restaurants and a martini bar. Tickets cost \$75 and may be purchased at holidaymartgrossepointe.com.

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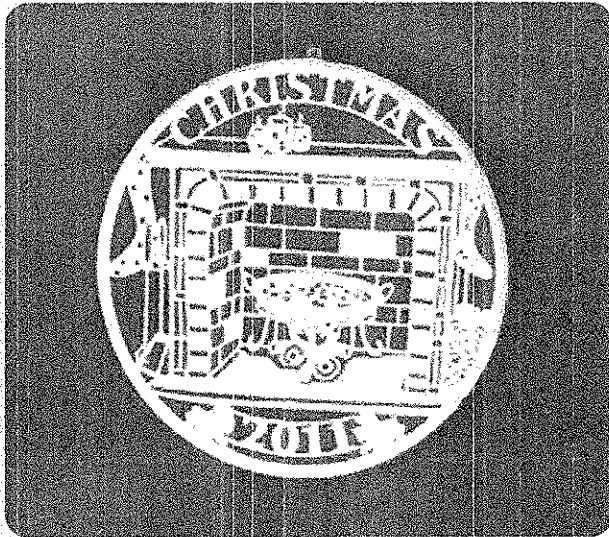


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ASK THE EXPERTS By Bill Wenzell

Developing a spirit of giving back



Q I would like to get my family involved in being of service to others. I'm hoping to encourage them to experience the value of giving back to others through volunteerism. How do I help them to develop a spirit of giving instead of them always wanting to get paid for their efforts?

A Why would anyone work for no pay? Doesn't that go against our nation's proud history of capitalism? Wrong. Americans have a long history of volunteering, going back to our nation's founding. Helping your neighbor, your community, or anyone in need is downright patriotic.

There are more opportunities to volunteer than ever be-

fore. The economy in Michigan has created more need. More people are dependent on non-profit service organizations – and those organizations have fewer resources, thus a greater need for volunteer support.

There also are many reasons to volunteer. The most important is that it is the right thing to do. Someone once said, "Volunteer service is the rent we pay to be in this world." Whatever your political affiliation, I hope we can all agree that we are all part of the human family.

Volunteer work is something in which people of all ages can participate. Volunteering at an early age helps to build self-esteem. Many high schools now require volunteer community service as part of the requirement for graduation. College students or recent grads can engage in volunteer service as a way to build their resumes through unpaid internships. In

this challenging economy, building up experience in your desired career choice can only be a benefit. Not only will volunteering provide needed experience to enter the job market, but it is also an opportunity to prove yourself to potential employers.

As adults, I think people sometimes have a limited idea about what volunteerism means. Volunteers can do more than stuff envelopes or serve food (although these are very important service functions). There are many opportunities to utilize your skills and expertise. Whether you are a carpenter, attorney, teacher, photographer, writer, fundraiser, accountant, electrician, computer technician, disc jockey or truck driver, there is a need for your service. For those who are unemployed, volunteerism is a way to keep your skills sharp during your job search.

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to serve on a board or a committee for a local non-profit. This type of volunteering tends to allow more schedule flexibility.

Here are a few tips:

◆ Choose a cause in which you believe – Find an organiza-

tion whose mission is something that stirs your passion. If you are doing something you love, it will be that much more rewarding.

◆ Choose a task that can involve family members – If you have limited disposable time, you may want to find a volunteer opportunity where you can include your spouse or children.

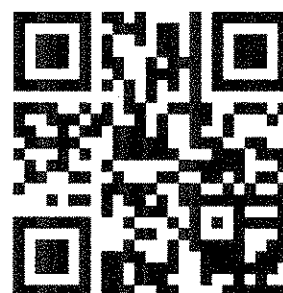
◆ Volunteering is an excellent opportunity for team building with co-workers.

There are many great organizations where you can volunteer. Whether you are looking to help children, the elderly, students, the physically challenged, the homeless, or people who may be unemployed, low-income, ill or abused, or whether you want to help animals, the environment, community beautification or safety, you can find organizations to support with a simple internet search.

Forget what I said earlier

about working for no pay. You may not earn a paycheck when you volunteer, because the "pay" you receive cannot be measured by money.

Wenzell, of Grosse Pointe Woods, manages Volunteers & Community Outreach for Focus: HOPE. He first joined Focus: HOPE in 1995. He is responsible for a volunteer base of 10,000 and annual events. He also chairs Focus: HOPE's Martin Luther King Day Committee. Contact him at (313) 494-4343 or wenzelb@focushope.edu.



HEALTH POINT By Jeff and Debra Jay

Alcohol is never safe for teenagers

Dear Jeff and Debra, My husband and I have come to an impasse on the issue of our teenage son's drinking.

My husband doesn't see drinking as a problem, which has caused many arguments. I have even thought about divorce. I truly believe my husband's attitude endangers my son's safety.

My husband reasons drinking is not a big deal as long as our son doesn't drink and drive. Our son calls his father to pick him up after he's been drinking. He's promised to never allow a drunk buddy to drive him home. But I think it is only a matter of time before our son hops into a car with a drunken friend behind the

wheel.

Kids are kids and if they decide they want to get something to eat or go to another friend's house, they're not going to call a parent to drive them.

My husband also believes we should be grateful our son isn't on drugs. He says we need to compromise. Beer, he says, is harmless compared to crack or ecstasy. I don't think it is an either/or issue. I worry the drinking will lead to drugs and cigarettes.

—A.S. FROM G.P.

Dear A.S.:

The first thing we need to clear up is alcohol is a drug. And it's an illegal drug for anyone under the age of 21.

It is mood-altering and addictive and 10 million teens use



alcohol regularly. Half of all underage drinkers are binge drinkers.

Alcohol is not safe and drinking leads to more problems than just car accidents. It impairs our children's ability to make good decisions. Teens who drink do things they wouldn't do sober. Sexual activity, unprotected sex, violent behavior, criminal activity, date rape and experimentation with other illicit drugs, are just a few examples. Drinking can also lead to depression, low self-es-

teem, loss of interest in school activities and sports and changes in mood and attitude.

The younger children are when they start drinking, the more likely they'll become alcoholics. Teens who begin drinking at age 15 have a 40 percent chance of becoming alcoholics at some point in their lives.

Using alcohol at age 17 leads to a 24.5 percent chance of becoming alcoholic. Waiting until age 21 drops the probability down to 10 percent. A family history of alcoholism increases these risks.

Zero tolerance is the only acceptable policy when it comes to children and alcohol – and the policy works when both parents learn how to properly enforce the rules. Your hus-

band needs education before he'll become a team player. Start by learning about alcohol and the adolescent brain. Visit American Psychological Association at apa.org/monitor/jun01/teendrink.html. We guarantee this information will make any parent think long and hard about alcohol and their child.

Professional interventionists Jeff Jay and Debra Jay of Grosse Pointe Farms are the authors of, "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction." Debra Jay is the co-author of, "Aging and Addiction." They can be reached at (313) 882-6921 or lovefirst.net.

SOC's schedule of October activities

Activities at Services for Older Citizens for October include the following:

Rick Steves' Norway — 11:30 a.m., Friday, Oct. 7. The 30-minute film shows Oslo, Bergen and the fjords.

Medicare Prescription D Program — 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 10. Deborah Wagner a Medicare/Medicaid assistance program counselor covers the logistics of annual enrollment, why attention is needed to the changes in plans each year, how to identify changes and how SOC can help determine whether your current plan is the best and plan for alternatives.

It's Cool to Accessorize Bingo — 10 a.m. and noon, Tuesday, Oct. 11.

October Birthdays' Celebration — 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12. The cost is \$3. Alice Laitner provides the musical entertainment. Those observing October birthdays receive a piece of cake with a candle, are serenaded with the happy birthday song in three

languages, receive a photo and a free lunch.

Elder Law – Free Legal Presentation and Legal Assistance — 11:30 a.m., Monday, Oct. 17. Katie Graham, of the Wayne County branch of the Neighborhood Legal Services of Michigan, talks with residents 60 years and older. Sign up in advance free consultation regarding guardianship, conservatorship, wills, trusts, powers of attorney, nursing homes, assisted living, senior housing, Medicaid and Medicare. Call SOC at (313) 882-9600 to make an appointment. Attendance at the general presentation is required.

Crystal Bingo — 10 a.m. and noon, Tuesday, Oct. 18. Prizes pieces of crystal.

Movie day — 11 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19. The 2011 106-minute movie, "Soul Surfer," is preceded by a pizza and salad lunch. A box lunch to take home is available. The movie is based on the true story of Bethany Hamilton, played by AnnaSophia Robb, who was

born to surf. A natural surfer, Hamilton took to the waves at a young age. She was participating in national surf competitions with her best friend, Alana, played by Lorraine Nicholson, when a 14-foot tiger shark attacked her. It explores her fight to recover. Call (313) 882-9600 for reservations.

It's Halloween Time Bingo — 10 a.m. and noon, Tuesday, Oct. 25, is sponsored by Mary Treder-Lang. Prizes are Halloween treats and decorations.

Halloween Party — 11 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 26. Raffle sponsor is Home Instead, Marion Battersby. The cost is \$5. The menu is honey mustard chicken, Lyonnaise potatoes, ginger carrots, Texas bread, beverage and dessert. After lunch, a costume contest is held. Prizes are awarded for: funniest costume, scariest costume and best overall costume. Vocalist Don Stidham provides the entertainment. For reservations, call (313) 882-9600.

Daily lunch is served at 11

a.m.

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The day of health, wellness, recreation and community resource information features more than 50 exhibits covering health care, managed care, workshops, Ask the Experts, on-site health screenings, activities, products and more.

A complimentary luncheon is provided by ShorePointe Nursing Center and Marchiori Catering.

Gentlemen of Swing entertain.

Screenings go beyond blood pressure checks to include carotid artery ultrasound, hand massage, knee pain/osteoarthritis, pulmonary lung function evaluation, mini chair massage, spine evaluation, body mass

index balance/fall risk assessment and more.

WDIV-TV's Chuck Gaidica, director of meteorology, is the keynote speaker at 11 a.m. Gaidica educates and motivates the audience to make a life-long commitment to continued happiness and a healthy lifestyle.

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Roger Skully

Never too late for repentance

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, comes 10 days after the New Year, Rosh Hashana. It is the Day of Judgement, when God seals the book of life opened on the New Year. A ram's horn, called a shofar, is blown as a call and an alarm. It is blown because when Abraham was asked to sacrifice Isaac, his hand was stopped before he could deliver the fatal blow. A ram was seen caught in a thicket and it was the sacrifice. This is the end of human sacrifice. Also, the shofar was a call to attention; to pay attention and truly seek forgiveness and mend wicked ways.

We fast on that day to express our awareness of the seriousness of the day. We are praying for our lives. We ask that we be written and sealed in the "Book of Life."

In the afternoon, we read the book of Jonah. A great fish swallowed him because he tried to escape his task of asking the city of Nineveh to repent. He went, they repented and were saved.

When he sat down, God made a plant grow to shield him from the sun. Then he sent a worm to destroy the plant. Noah was angry, but he heard the voice of God.

"Jonah, you have pity for a plant for which you have not labored. It grew up in one night, and disappeared in one night. Yet you have no pity on the thousands of people of Nineveh and their cattle, and you are angry at me for forgiving them."

Finally, Jonah understood. The story captures the essence of the day. Forgiveness is granted between man and God. Forgiveness must be sought between each person for there to be true repentance.

On Yom Kippur, God judges the whole world. No matter how wicked people may be, there's always time for repentance to avoid the decree of destruction. It is never too late.

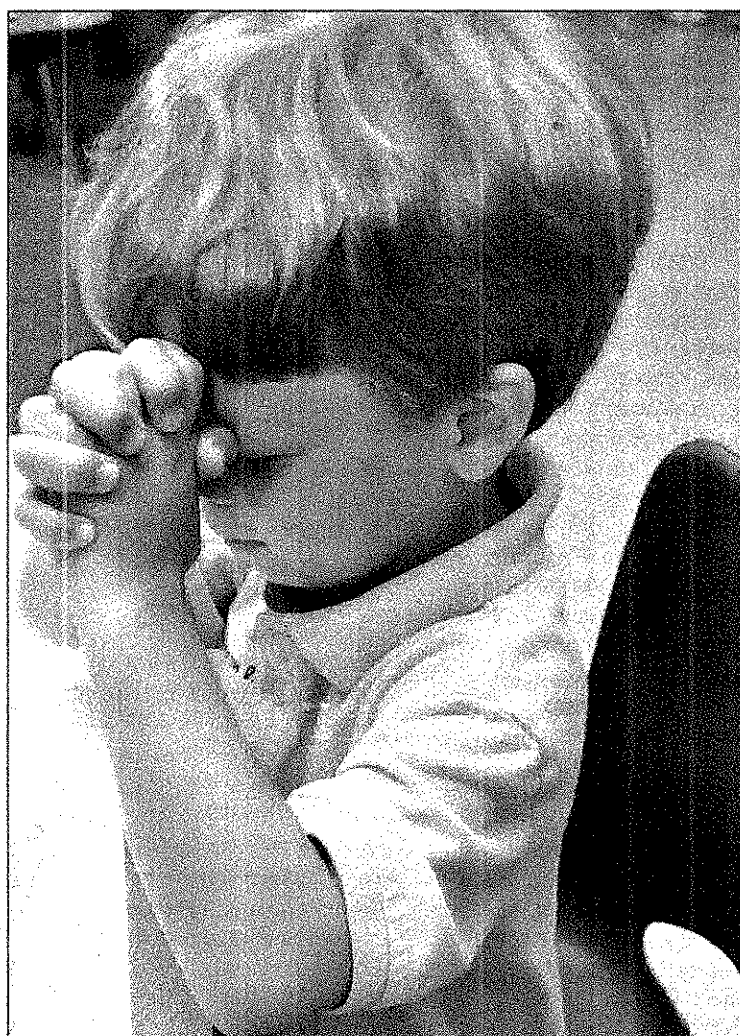
God is a God of love, mercy and caring for all peoples. On the Day of Atonement, he assures us atonement is possible and we should have compassion on all living things. Real repentance depends on not only admitting wrong, but striving not to repeat it.

The Day of Atonement is here to remind us it is not about dying with toys, but living with truth.

May you all be sealed in the "Book of Life" for a year of life.

Amen and Amen.

Skully is president of Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association and cantor of Isaac Agree Downtown Synagogue.



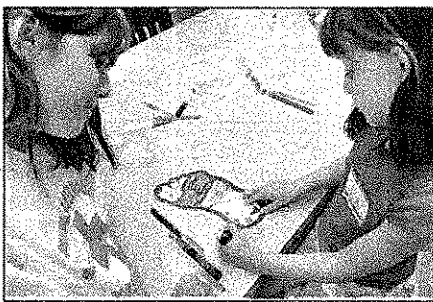
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Bible exploration

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church hosted Son Surf Beach Bash Vacation Bible School late August for 122 children. Each day presented a new question to which children had to find the answer through Bible exploration.

Cameron DuCharme says a prayer before snack time.

Student volunteer Elise Charbonneau, left, helps her sister, Sarah, color a paper foot, which was the day's craft project.



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

First English

The 19th annual Holiday Mart Crafts & Bake Sale is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, in the Luther Center of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Admission is \$1. Children 12 and under are admitted free. Strollers are welcome.

The event features one-of-a-kind handiwork, crafts and prize drawings.

A light lunch is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Grace Community

Author Randy Alcorn speaks at Grace Community Church, 21001 Moross, Detroit, at 9 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 9.

He is the founder of Eternal Perspective Ministries, a non-profit ministry focusing on communicating the strategic importance of using earthly time, money, possessions and opportunities to invest in need-meeting ministries that count for eternity. He accomplishes this by analyzing, teaching, and applying the biblical truth.

Alcorn holds degrees in theology and biblical studies and has taught on the adjunct faculties of Multnomah University and Western Seminary in Portland, Oregon. He has written more than 40 books, including the best seller, "Heaven."

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse

Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, holds a Celtic worship service at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9.

The public can attend.

Digging Deeper

Digging Deeper, a support group, meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at First Christian Reform Church, 1444 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park. The facilitator is the Rev. Ben VanArragon.

The group discusses the emotional and spiritual issues related to job transition.

United Methodist

The Grosse Pointe United Methodist Women's semi-annual rummage sale is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and Saturday, Oct. 8, at the church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The sale features clothing for all sizes, kitchen ware, household goods, small pieces of furniture and sports equipment.

For more information, call the church office at (313) 886-2363.

Yom Kippur

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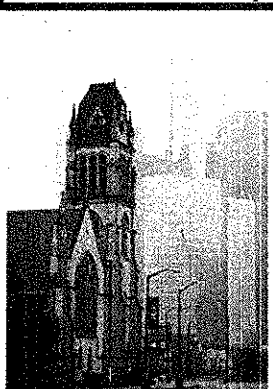
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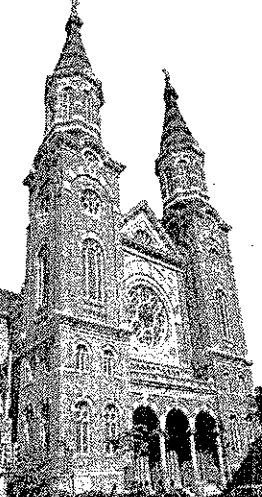
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ACTIVITIES: Halloween fun in the Woods

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Grosse Pointe Woods residents can rid their households of unwanted, hazardous waste products not allowed in the regular garbage pickup during a city sponsored semi-annual **Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day** from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Department of Public Works yard, 1200 Parkway Drive, at Marter Road.

A valid park pass or driver's license must be shown as proof of residency.

A complimentary mobile shredding service also is offered. Materials can be shredded without removing file folders, staples, rubber bands or paper clips. Material for shredding must be in paper bags; boxed material will not be accepted. Each vehicle is limited to shredding the equivalent of two recycling bins or about four bags. All material is shredded before the truck leaves the DPW yard.

Materials accepted Oct. 15 include:

- ◆ Oven, drain and other household cleaners
- ◆ Bleaches and disinfectants
- ◆ Expired medications (prescription or over-the-counter)
- ◆ Furniture and metal polishes
- ◆ Floor care products



Which witch is which? It doesn't matter, as long as they have reservations for Hob Nobbin' at Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park Friday, Oct. 21.

- ◆ Nail polish and remover
- ◆ Brake and transmission fluids
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- ◆ Unacceptable items include:
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- ◆ Compressed gas cylinders, including propane and fire extinguishers
- ◆ Commercially generated waste

- ◆ Medical waste, such as needles
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Contact the DPW weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. at (313) 343-2460 for information regarding rubbish, recycling and hazardous waste collection procedures.

Pirates and princesses, fairies and firemen, ghosts and ghouls of all kinds gather from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21 at the Grosse Pointe Woods' Lake Front Park for the annual **Hob Nobbin'**.

The evening includes a hayride through the park, a jamboree in the gym, Trick-or-Treat bags, pumpkin and face painting, cider and doughnuts.

Admission to the park is by wrist band only.

Woods residents and their guests can register at the community center, 20025 Mack Plaza. The cost is \$4 for each person more than 1-year-old.

For reservation information, call (313) 343-2408.

Lake House

The Lake House, 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays and noon to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.



Rotary Club

Ted Gillary, executive manager of The Detroit Athletic Club, discussed the historical contributions made by DAC members to Detroit and some recent club improvements. Pictured from left, are Bill Scott, Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe president, Gillary and Gary Marowske, Rotary member and DAC board member.

Free membership is open to Wayne, Macomb and Oakland residents and those impacted by cancer.

Lake House provides support to help people live quality lives during their cancer journeys. Programs include wellness; breast cancer, caregiver and blood cancer support; a men's club; free lectures; tai chi; guided meditation; and social events.

A monthly calendar is available at milakehouse.org.

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Soroptimist

The Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe's third annual holiday ornament honors the 100th anniversary of the Neighborhood Club. Ornaments cost \$10.

For more information, contact Roseanne at rhorne@entertainment.com.

Festival of Tables supports breast cancer program

The ninth annual Festival of Tables is Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Presented by The Daughters of Penelope, Thamyris Chapter of Grosse Pointe, the first viewing is from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Advanced tickets cost \$10 or \$12 at the door.

Limited dinner tickets cost \$60 and include a 4:30 to 8 p.m. viewing, Holiday Gift Boutique, dinner, fashion show by Boutique Bellissima and Lazare's of Grosse Pointe and a silent auction.

Grosse Pointe Park resident, Olga Tecos, and Grosse Pointe Woods resident, Elena Kerasiotis, co-chairs, said guests can view 32 tables decorated by chapter members, decorators and friends.

"We are especially pleased to welcome back our first male host, Richard Sharon, who wowed the crowd last year with his table, 'It's a Man's World,'" Tecos said.

In addition, the group launches its own Festival of Tables coffee, created by Bacheras Bros. Coffee of

Detroit. The blend is sold in the holiday boutique and served with dinner.

"We are thrilled to have all 32 tables pledged to a wonderful group of talented members and friends all filled with so much enthusiasm, I know we're going to really have a wonderful selection of 'eye candy' for the soul this year," said host committee chairwoman, Penny Khorraminia.

"This year we are going to be promoting our event not only with posters and fliers, but with something even more unique, a Festival of Tables place mat campaign," said Dori Daskas, chapter president and public relations committee chairwoman. "We have met with several restaurants in the area that will be using our Festival of Tables place mats during October. Guests presenting a place mat at the event will receive a special surprise gift for attending. We hope the campaign will bring more attention to the event and make it the best attended in its nine-year history."

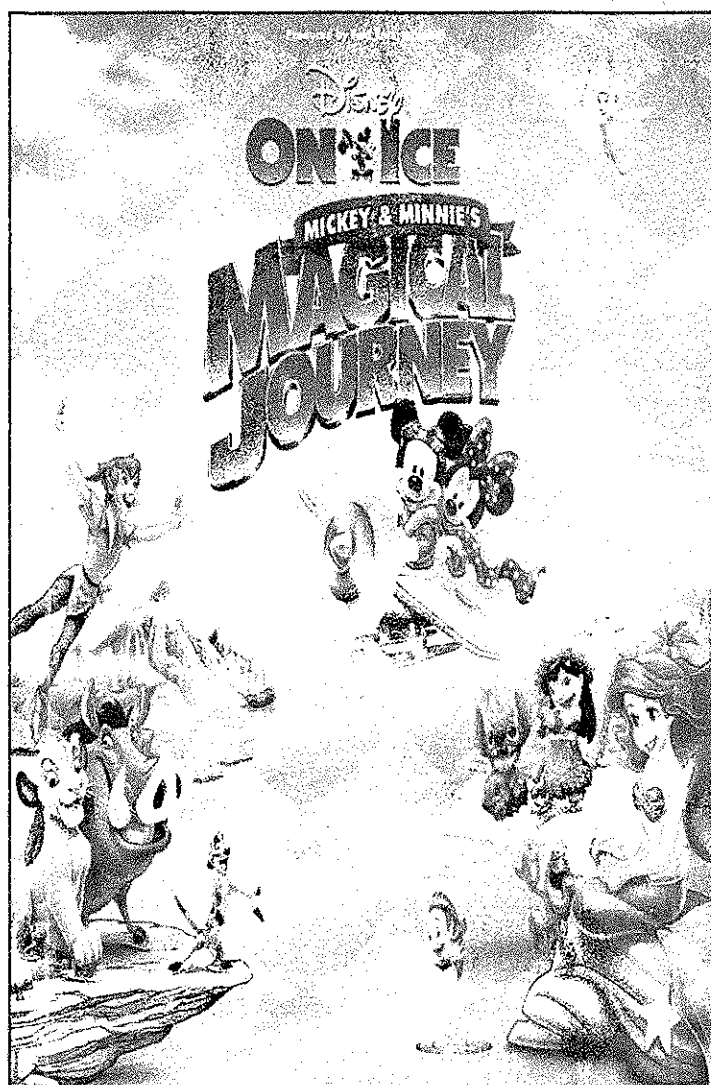
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Chaundy Art Gallery (purses and accessories), Alexis Voutsaras (jewelry), Dana Staniec (note cards and envelopes), Buckle-up (belt buckles), My Sister's Jewelry, Kathy's Jewelry (jewelry), Ciucci Couture (children's clothing), Donna Berger (hand-knit purses), Nature's Delight (soy candles),

Karen Liederbach (purses and pearls), Lazare's of Grosse Pointe.

Proceeds benefit St. John Providence Health System Breast Care Program and other national and local charities.

Tickets are available at Aretée Day Spa, 20559 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; La Moda Salon, 20091 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; and Chaundy Art Gallery, 20331 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.



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A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

Grab fresh veggies for sweet autumn saute

October is definitely outdoor market time. My first choice — The Eastern Market, downtown Detroit.

The local vegetables and fruits are so fresh that their shelf life, when properly stored, can triple compared to food flown halfway around the world before it make its way to the grocery store.

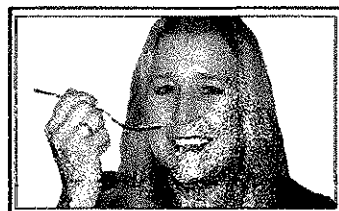
This week, I prepared a simple vegetable saute with a trio of my favorites; corn straight

from the cob, sweet bell peppers and onions.

Fresh sage from the garden gives this tasty vegetable side a real autumn flavor. Delicious.

Autumn Corn Saute with Sweet Pepper and Onion

1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil, plus more as needed
2 large onions, halved and thinly sliced (4 to 5 cups)
5 to 6 sweet bell peppers (red, orange and yellow), cut



into thin strips
6 ears fresh corn, kernels removed from cob (about 6 cups)
salt and pepper to taste
1 tablespoon chopped fresh sage leaves (or other fresh herb of your choice)

Heat olive oil in a large deep skillet over medium heat.

Add onion and peppers and cook for 10 minutes, or longer, tossing occasionally.

Season with salt and pepper.

Add the corn along with a bit more olive oil and continue to cook for another 10 to 15 minutes, until veggies are just beginning to brown.

Taste and season with more salt and pepper to your liking.

Remove from heat and immediately stir in fresh sage.

I served my corn saute alongside salmon and shrimp off the grill.

Yummy.

This recipe will feed a crowd.

Cut the portions in half for a smaller group.



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Enhance a meal with this fresh autumn vegetable dish

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clined to do it." "Math homework is out of control." and "Teachers should stop giving

busy work for homework." On sports and clubs ("It's a great stress reliever." "It's a

great way to be involved at school and a great way to meet people who have the same interests as you.")

"Coaches can be mean and can be really hard on you if you want to quit the team because you don't have time for it." and parental drug use when they were teens ("Don't tell us that marijuana today is much worse than what was available when you were in school because that just makes us wonder how exactly you know that.")

According to Lynda Zott, CARE's student assistance coordinator, adult coordinators hope to put together more of these panel discussions.

For additional information, contact CARE at (313) 332-0972, or the Family Center of Grosse Pointe, (313) 432-2382.

This was the first in a four-week awareness series for youth, parents and professionals. (The second was Oct. 5.) The third is at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at Beaumont Hospital, Connelly Auditorium, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. The topic is "Volunteerism: Building a Stronger Sense of Self."

For reservations, call Betsy Schulte at (313) 473-1737.

The fourth session is at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at WCC-CD-University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. The topic is "Community Education in Healthcare: A Growing Need."

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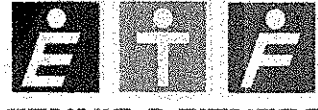
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GOLF

South wins division tourney; North fifth



By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South accomplished another goal last week, winning the Macomb Area Conference Red Division Tournament.

After winning the dual meet portion of the division with an 8-0 mark, the Blue Devils knew Utica would be aiming for them. The Chieftains were the closest competitors to the Blue Devils throughout the regular season.

It was a two-team race with South taking first with a school-record 310, followed by Utica at 319, Port Huron Northern at 368, Utica Eisenhower at 395 and Grosse Pointe North at 399.

"We want to focus on one match at a time and not get ahead of ourselves," South head coach Peter Kingsley said after his team clinched the dual meet title the previous week.

Kingsley was also voted the conference Coach of the Year.

Utica's Taylor Clark was the medalist, firing a 72, but Kingsley watched his five players each post a score under 90 to win the tournament championship.

It was his underclassmen, Lily Pendy and Tenley Shield, that led the way with a 75 and 76, while co-captain Ella Pendy shot a 77. Co-captain Claire Boyle was next for the Blue



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

South co-captain Claire Boyle, at a recent dual match, shot an 87 to help the Blue Devils win the MAC Red Division Tournament.

Devils with an 87 and Hannah Buzolits had an 89, which was one of her best rounds of golf.

For North and head coach Brian Stackpoole, Paige Micks shot a 93, followed by Ali Scoggin with a 95, Jenna Paglino with a 100, Madison Vens with a 111 and Jordyn Parent with a 122.

Next up for North and South are the state regional tournaments. A spot in the state finals

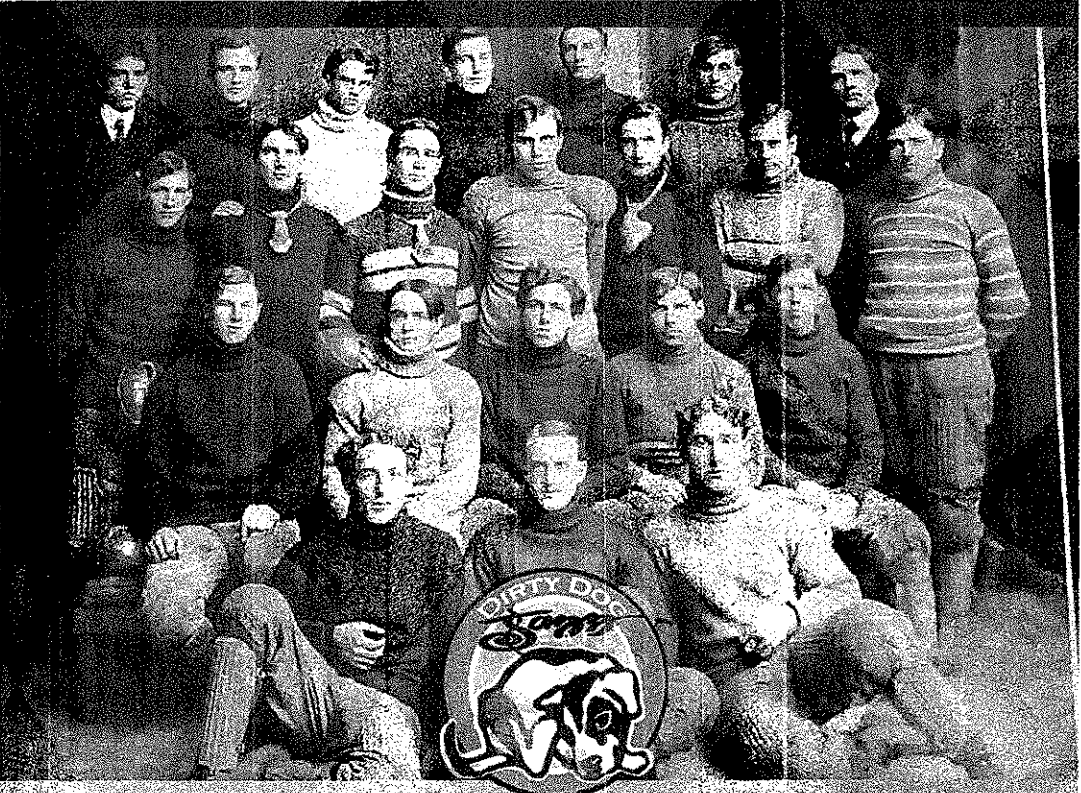
is up for grabs. South competes in a Division I tournament Thursday, Oct. 6, at Northville's Tanglewood Golf Club.

South's foes are Dearborn, Detroit Cass Tech, Farmington Hills Harrison, Southfield-Lathrup, Livonia Stevenson, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Northville, Novi, Royal Oak, Troy, Troy Athens, Walled Lake Central and West

Bloomfield.

North plays in a Division II tournament Thursday, Oct. 6, at Holly's Heather Highlands Golf Club.

North's opponents are Auburn Hills Avondale, Berkley, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Seaholm, Bloomfield Hills Andover, Birmingham Marian, Fenton, Holly, Ortonville-Brandon, Oxford and Lakeview.



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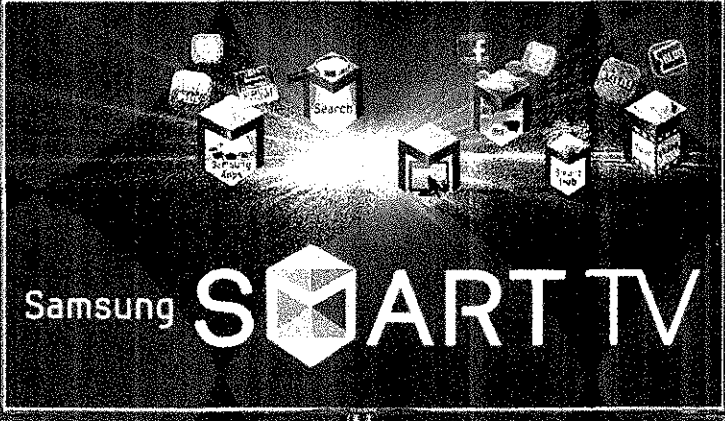
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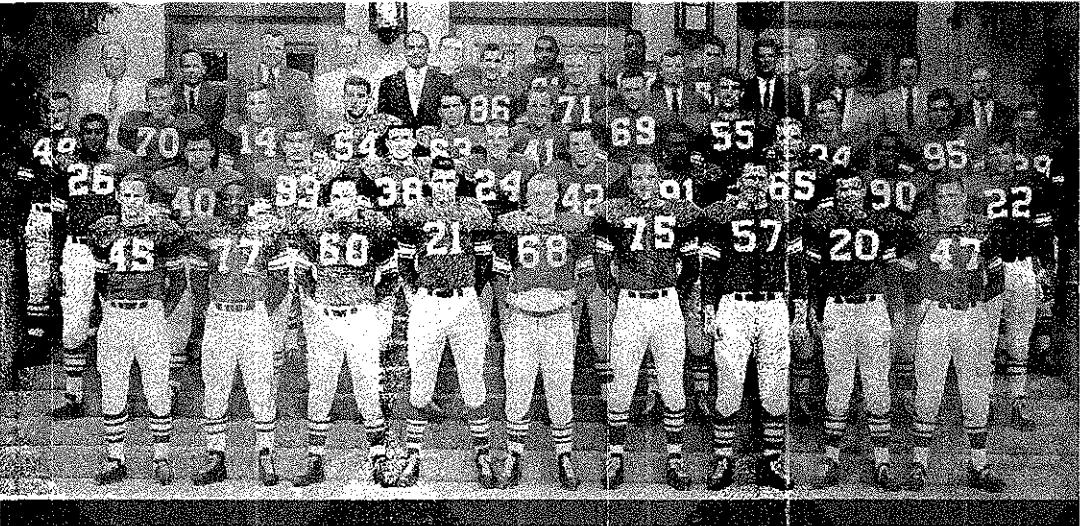
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Football

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils edge Tars

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South football team was nearly caught looking ahead to its huge showdown with Port Huron for the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division title.

The Blue Devils visited Anchor Bay and almost lost. It took a field goal by senior Jon Parker early in the fourth quarter to lift the Blue Devils to a 9-7 victory.

Gusty winds and rain coming down on a slant created havoc for the passing game. Senior quarterback Robby Kish completed 10-of-20 passes for 104 yards. He had five completions in each half.

The Tars took the opening possession and held onto the ball for nearly half of the quarter. They ran 11 plays, but sophomore Tristan Russano made a big stop to stall the drive.

Each team was forced to punt on the next two possessions, leaving the Blue Devils with the ball at their own 40-yard line.

On third-and-15, Kish completed a 33-yard pass to Parker and senior running back Eddy Mollison ran for seven yards on the next play, giving the Blue Devils possession at the Tars' 30-yard line.

Senior fullback Chris Weldon took a pitch from Kish and had clear daylight to the end zone, but he couldn't get a handle on the pitch and fumbled, giving

the ball back to the home team.

The Tars didn't waste any time turning the turnover into seven points, taking a 7-0 lead midway through the second quarter.

Head coach Tim Brandon's squad responded by taking the ensuing possession and used 12 plays to drive 80 yards for a touchdown.

Kish found senior Matt Reno for a 23-yard gain on the first play and Mollison ran for 14 yards on a second-down play to put the ball at the Tars' 38-yard line.

Two straight incompletions put the Blue Devils at a third-and-10. Mollison gained nine yards on a run and Kish gained three yards on a quarterback sneak on fourth-and-one.

Mollison lost four yards on first down and the Tars were whistled for offsides, putting the ball at the Anchor Bay 25-yard line. Mollison was stopped for no gain on second down and Kish's pass to Parker lost a yard.

Kish kept the drive alive, throwing a 13 yard dart into the wind on fourth down, giving the Blue Devils possession at the Tars' 13-yard line.

On the next play, Mollison crashed through the offensive line and raced 13 yards for a touchdown. Parker's extra point was no good, but the Blue Devils cut the halftime deficit to a point, 7-6.

Junior Avery Duncan recovered a fumble late in the first half, but Kish threw an inter-

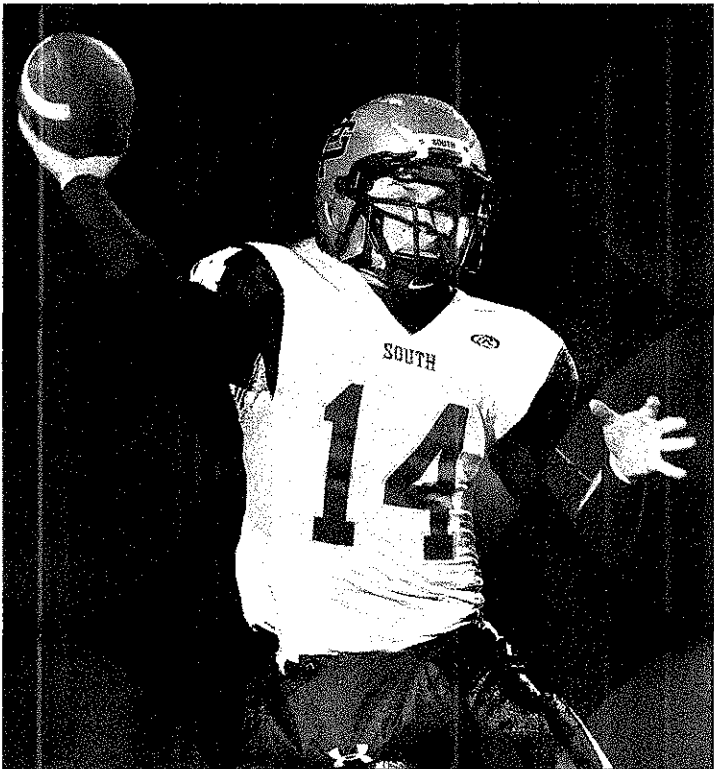


PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South senior quarterback Robby Kish throws one of his 20 passes during the Blue Devils' game at Anchor Bay.

ception as the turnovers kept the game close.

The wind gusts worsened in the second half, leaving teams in position to run, instead of pass.

The Blue Devils were able to get into field goal range and Parker didn't miss, drilling the kick for the winning three points.

Mollison was held well below his century rushing average, gaining only 71 yards on 21 carries and Kish had 10 completions for 104 yards. However, several of his throws came on big third-down conversions.

With the win, South improved to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 5-1 overall.

Coming up for the Blue Devils is a battle for sole pos-

session of first place when they travel to unbeaten Port Huron for a 7 p.m. kickoff Friday, Oct. 7.

Honor

The Detroit Lions named Tim Brandon of Grosse Pointe South as the 2011 Week No. 5 recipient of the High School Coach of the Week Program Presented by the Michigan Army National Guard.

Brandon led his Blue Devils to an 18-13 win over Grosse Pointe North Friday, Sept. 23.

He has been coaching for 22 years, including the last five as head coach at Grosse Pointe South. In those five seasons, he led the Blue Devils to two state playoff appearances, including the Division 2 state semifinals last season. His career record at South is 29-17.

Volleyball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils on hot streak

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South's girls' volleyball squad put together a true team win last week in a 25-17, 25-10, 25-22 victory over host Sterling Heights.

"We've been playing a lot of volleyball the past three weeks, so we're heading into a break this weekend with a much needed rest," head coach Ryan Welsler said. "The girls are focused and they're learning a lot from our film sessions and implementing what they learn on the court."

In the opening game, seniors Caitlin Moore and Somers Brush led the hitting and defense, while junior Claire DeBoer was performing well at the net with several kills and blocks.

Sophomore lefty Katie Murphy opened the second game with back-to-back aces and the Blue Devils went into cruise control.

Moore scored an emphatic kill to put the Blue Devils

ahead 11-6.

During the next five minutes, junior Neala Berkowski had a block for a point, freshman Elizabeth Murphy had a kill and junior Maya Grever had a block for a kill that gave the visitors a 19-7 advantage.

Welsler had an all-underclassmen lineup consisting of sophomore Grace Metry, sophomore Katherine Krueger, Elizabeth Murphy, Katherine Murphy, sophomore Sydney Srebernak and sophomore Hannah Adams, on the floor for the third game and they responded with solid all-around play.

In addition, junior Emily Satterfield was a force in the final game with her spikes and blocks.

Earlier in the week, South defeated visiting Utica 25-13, 25-21, 25-19, improving to 4-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 20-6-5 overall.

Elizabeth Murphy had six kills and Metry had one of her best varsity matches, netting 20 service points and 16 digs.

LIGGETT

Confidence on the rise

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's girls' volleyball team stretched its division-winning streak to two last week, beating Southfield Christian 25-12, 25-15, 25-10.

"The girls played very well," head coach Joe LaMagno said. "The passing was outstanding and our hitting was strong. We had a kill on nearly every attempt, which is outstanding."

Junior Ashley Rahi is making a habit of getting the ball rolling for the Knights with her aggressive hitting early in game one.

From that point, the opposition is making a concerted ef-

fort to slow her down, leaving junior Tori Wuthrich open to slam the door.

Against visiting Southfield Christian, Rahi had five kills, including two early in game one, and Wuthrich finished with 19 kills and seven aces to lead the Knights, which improved to 2-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 14-8-2 overall.

LaMagno has seen his players begin to gain a ton of confidence as they head into the meat of the division schedule.

"I think we have a strong lineup and a great group of girls who are learning the system," he said. "They have to continue to work hard."

LIGGETT

Playoff bound

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's football team put three in the win column last week, even though it played only one game.

In that game, the host Knights pummeled Saginaw Buena Vista 55-6 on a cold, windy day on a field of mud.

Off the field, the Knights earned a forfeit win against Plymouth Christian because it didn't give Liggett the proper length of time to find a replacement game. That was win No. 2 and the third victory came when Detroit Westside Christian Academy had to forfeit the opening day win because it competed with ineligible players.

"It was a great day for our football program," Liggett Athletic Director Michelle Hicks said during the third quarter of the football game.

"Our defense was stout, taking the ball away on three fumbles and three interceptions," head coach Lou Ray said.

The wins gave Liggett a 6-0 overall record and a spot in the state playoffs for a second straight season. Last year,

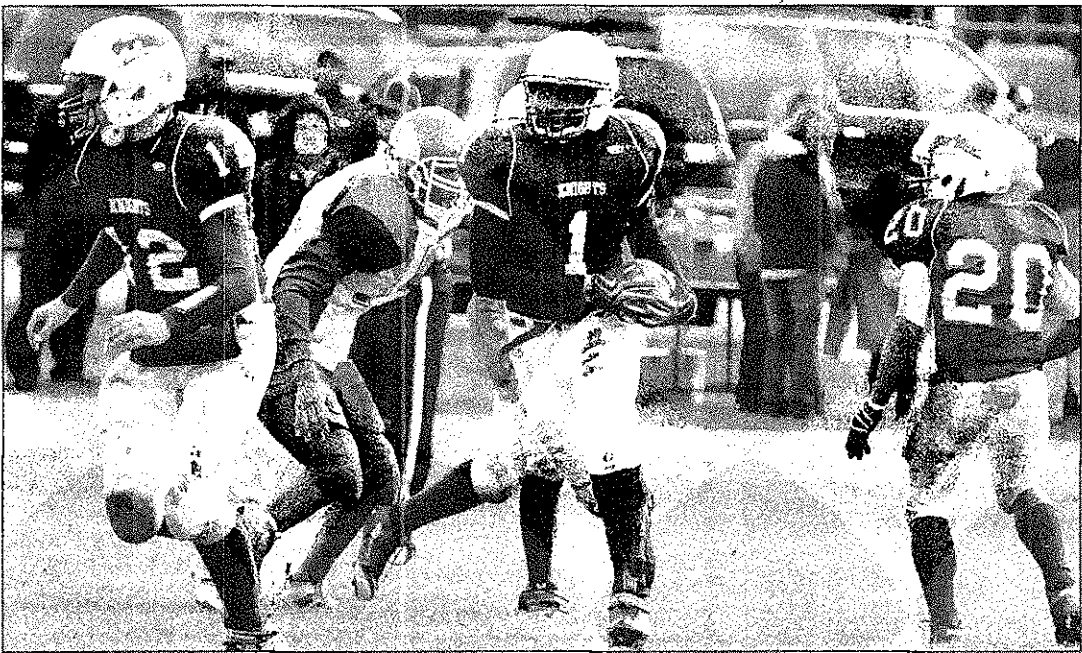


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Liggett junior Eric Ewing, No. 1, played well on both sides of the ball in the Knights' lopsided win over Saginaw Buena Vista.

Detroit Consortium Prep had to forfeit a season-opening win over Liggett.

The game was over in a hurry as the Knights bullied their way to 48 first-half points.

Junior quarterback Nate Gaggin was 5-of-7 for 96 yards and three touchdowns going to junior tight end Dan Baird (18 yards), junior wide receiver Eric Ewing (42 yards) and junior KeVaughn Jackson (26 yards).

Everyone got into the running game. Freshman Charles Jones had 180 yards rushing

with two TDs, while Gaggin carried for 19 yards and two scores and sophomore Darryl Lewis had 41 yards and a score.

Senior Patrick Monahan led the defense with 12 tackles and Baird finished with seven. Sophomore Antonio Malkoun chipped in with a quarterback sack and freshman Caleb Stokes recovered a fumble.

Lewis and Jackson also picked off a pass to help the Knights dominate the game.

Senior Billy Marx kicked one extra point after scoring

three goals in the soccer game played earlier.

Liggett improved to 4-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Coming up for the Knights are their two biggest MIAC games. They play at Sterling Heights Parkway Christian at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and hosts Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest in their homecoming game at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15.

Two more wins and the Knights will win the MIAC championship.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen split

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It wasn't pretty, but a win is a win.

Last week, Grosse Pointe North's girls' volleyball team played one of its worst matches of the season, but pulled out a 25-22, 30-28, 25-22 win over division foe L'Anse Creuse.

"I could see the girls were lethargic when they walked in the gym to before the match, so I knew it would be a struggle tonight," head coach Kim Lockhart said. "It was nice to see the girls keep their composure and play well when they needed it the most."

Despite struggling in all areas of the game during stretches in each game, seniors Liz Champney and Melissa McCabe kept the team together. Throw in the player-coach abilities of the Reveley sisters, Breann and Colleen, and the Norsemen had just enough zest to win the match.

In game one, freshman Christa Raicevich had a block for a point and McCabe's kill put it in the win column.

The second game went on forever with the Lancers netting several chances to serve for the win. However, McCabe stepped up again to earn a service point for a 29-28 lead and junior Julia Guest's kill put game two in the victory column.

Despite trailing by two games, the visiting Lancers

played hard and were in position to send the match to a fourth game, leading 19-16.

The Norsemen used a 9-3 run, including two kills by Raicevich and a Breann Reveley kill to put the Lancers away and win the match.

Breann Reveley finished with 20 kills and 20 digs, while Guest had nine kills and Raicevich, seven.

Colleen Reveley collected 37 assists to go with Champney's 16 digs and McCabe's 18 digs.

"We have very strong leadership on this team and that is why we won the match tonight," Lockhart said. "Despite not playing with the energy I thought we should have, the girls dug deep and won."

"I hope the girls come out with more energy in our next match against Port Huron Northern because it will be tough to go up there and win."

It was a little too tough as North dropped its first division match, losing 31-29, 14-25, 16-25, 29-27, 6-15.

In other recent action, North won a tournament Saturday, Sept. 24, beating Rochester Hills Stony Creek in the championship match.

Along the way, the Norsemen defeated Harrison, Cousino and North's junior varsity team, which filled in for a squad that dropped out. The Norsemen also split with Yale.

Grosse Pointe North is 15-5-4 overall.

RED BARONS

South squad drops tough one

For only the second time in four seasons, the current eighth grade Red Barons South football team suffered a defeat at the hands of an ESFL opponent, the East Detroit Tiger Cats.

The Tiger Cats opened the scoring on their second drive. Ryan McWood's interception stymied their first drive.

A phenomenal defensive battle ensued led by Patrick Nauert, Andrew Trost, McWood, Garrett Hudson, Sam Genna and Romari Ennis-Rogers.

Trailing 8-0 late in the sec-

ond quarter, Baron backs Will Poplawski and Genna ripped off 50 yards on the ground, capped by a Poplawski 5-yard scoring burst behind the blocks of Nauert, A.J. Stevenson, Cam Ennis, John Hughes, Patrick Durkin and Jon Martinuzzi.

McWood contributed a key pass to Trost to keep the drive alive.

Trost recovered the ensuing onside kick by McWood. Two plays later, Luke Riashi hooked up with Trost on a 51-yard scoring strike to put the Barons in the lead.

The Tiger Cats roared back with 12 straight points, but once more the Barons responded. Poplawski was unstoppable, running behind the blocks of Sam Jones, Luke Davey, Bob Weiland, Ryan Keating, Justin Moore, John Allen and David Borwicz. McWood's PAT tied the game.

Twelve seconds after the Tiger Cats scored in the final stanza, Genna took the ensuing kick-off 70 yards to pay dirt.

Ennis-Rogers flattened East Detroit's safety to spring Genna for the score. McWood

found Trost on the PAT, giving the Barons the lead with eight minutes remaining.

The usually stalwart Baron defense could find no answer to the Tiger Cat speed sweeps, as East Detroit regained the lead with four minutes remaining.

The Barons rallied, driving to the 15-yard line in the waning moments.

However, Riashi's fourth down pass fell out of the hands of the South receiver and the Barons fell just short in their quest to remain perfect on the season.

Cross country

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils 2nd in state finals preview

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Six of the top 10 teams in the state, including Grosse Pointe South's girls' cross-country team, competed in last weekend's Coaching Legend's Classic at Huron Meadows Metropark in Brighton.

Saline, ranked No. 1 in Division 1, won the race with 71 points, followed by Grosse Pointe South with 92, Birmingham Seaholm with 95, Northville with 102 and Rockford with 137.

The girls ran in the mud, wind and 40 degree temperatures against 25 Division 1 programs. Despite the tough conditions, the Blue Devils had 54 runners post a season-best time.

"We considered this meet one of our top five competitive races of the season and we felt ready to go in both the varsity and JV races," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "The volume of PRs on our team was outstanding considering the conditions."



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South's varsity lineup for the Coaching Legend's Classic included, from left, Carolyn Sullivan, Ersula Farrow, Haley Meier, Megan Sklarski, Kelly Langton, Hannah Meier, Meghan Dziedzic, Kelsie Schwartz and Nicole Keller.

"This was a great course, but the wind and mud made it quite a challenge. It proved just how much we are pro-

gressing as a team."

South is ranked No. 2, while Seaholm is No. 3, Northville No. 4 and Rockford No. 8.

"We know Saline is the team to beat in the state this year," Zaranek said. "They are extremely deep in talent. We've

finished twice to them so far this season.

"The next time we see them will be in the state finals. We absolutely have a goal to challenge them at the highest level."

Hannah Meier led the Blue Devils with a second-place time of 17:46. There were 210 runners in the field.

"Hannah, despite a flu bug, ran a remarkable time to lead our team," Zaranek said. "She, along with Kelsie Schwartz and Haley Meier, are three of the strongest, most giving runners ever in our program."

Schwartz was fourth overall with a time of 18:35 and Haley Meier was also in the top 10 with a time of 18:58.

Following the Blue Devils' top three were freshmen Ersula Farrow and Megan Sklarski. Farrow had a time of 19:33 and Sklarski was at 20:22.

"These two freshmen continue to handle the pressure of the big meets like seasoned veterans," Zaranek said. "They have brought great

depth and great attitude to our varsity group."

Placing sixth for the Blue Devils was Carolyn Sullivan with PR time of 20:50 and the team's other finishers were junior Nicole Keller at 21:06, Kelly Langton at 21:35 and Meghan Dziedzic at 21:36.

In the junior varsity race, consisting of 347 competitors, the Blue Devils were paced by freshman Alex Dulworth with a time of 21:37, sophomore Ellie Zak with a time of 21:40 and freshman Mary Spencer with a time of 21:42, as well as freshmen Lizzy Langenburg, Abby Passamani, Sarah O'Neil and Natalie Sullivan.

"This young group of outstanding runners have learned how to race in a very short time," Zaranek said. "They were amazing on Saturday."

Other top runners who broke the 23-minute barrier were Erin Ivers, Christy Finkenstaedt, Alexa Calas, Rachel Forcillo, Alex Pizzimenti, Mary Hennessey, Colleen Martin and Grace Harper.

LIGGETT

Cross-country teams improving meet-by-meet

Although the girls and boys race in separate locations at meets, there is a unity among the University Liggett cross-country squads.

"That unity pays off in training and at races as the effort of each individual athlete is supported by everyone on the team," head coach Trey Cassidy said. "The girls comment they like running first because they can cheer on the boys after their work is done."

"The boys are often inspired by the girls' efforts and like to see how the girls' race plays out."

In last week's Michigan Independent Athletic

Conference jamboree meet at Spencer Park, the Liggett boys' team was led by Kevin Allen, who was fifth with a time of 17:56. His time moved him into the school's top 10 times posted since 1983 and fastest since 2000.

The Knights' next five runners were Dylan Goitz, 30th with a personal best 20:15; Joe Renzi, Cole Zingas and William Loner, finishing within 10 seconds of each other.

"This pack attack strategy is paying off as each athlete recorded season bests," Cassidy said. "Joe Pas and Robert Hammond finished in season bests, as well, showing

great effort in the final sprint to the line."

In the girls' race, Danielle Lorant was the Knights' top runner, taking fifth overall. She was 16th mid way through the race, but steadily picked up her pace to finish with a flurry.

Haleigh Ristovski and Katarina Goitz ran together through the entire race and finished second and third, respectively, for the Knights. Both recorded a season best time, edging closer to a sub 22-minute finish.

Other finishers for the Knights were Welsey Dejoie, Taylor Slayton and Hannah Hodges. Slayton's determina-

tion through the final mile was pivotal in helping the Knights to a solid MIAC finish.

Jo Hummel rounded out the Knights' runners in the jamboree race.

In other recent action, the team competed in the Oakland Christian Small School Invitational.

The girls placed third and

earned a trophy. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, the host, won the meet with Royal Oak Shrine taking second. Marine City Cardinal Mooney was fourth, losing out on a tiebreaker to Liggett.

Ristovski was the team's top performer, followed by Lorant, Goitz, DeJoie, Slayton and Hodges. Their pack running

was key in earning the tiebreaker over Cardinal Mooney.

For the boys, Shrine won, while the Knights' top finisher was Allen, taking eighth overall with a time of 18:47. This was his personal best until the MIAC jamboree meet.

Following Allen was Jake Soyka at 21:07.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH GIRLS AND BOYS

Runners compete in Hanson's Invitational

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls' cross-country team placed third out of nine squads in last weekend's Hanson's Invitational at Delia Park in Sterling Heights.

Clarkston and Sterling Heights Stevenson finished first and second in the meet that featured cold and windy conditions mixed with a muddy, hilly course.

"Times were slow, but performances were great," head coach Scott Cooper said.

The Norsemen's top seven were Allison Francis, Katy VanEgmond, Natalie Schaefer, Sarah Rustmann, Alyse Victor and Laura O'Brien.

"Francis again ran a great race up front, finishing fifth overall in the race," Cooper said. "She looked very strong and confident in her race and is setting herself up for a great ending to her junior season."

"VanEgmond has been chasing Francis all season, creating a great, healthy competitiveness between the two runners. Today, VanEgmond finished just a half-second behind Francis and looked fantastic throughout the race. Those two going after each other in every race makes them both better runners."

A second varsity race was held, allowing Cooper to enter a second set of seven runners. This group took fifth out of 15 with Dylan Trout, Maddie Gafa, Hailey Ferguson, Anne Race, Savannah Ransome, Jaclyn Maul and Maddy



PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT COOPER

North seniors Natasha Eklund, right, and Sam Kiriakis run through the mud during the Hanson's Invitational in Sterling Heights.

Dennison.

Boys' results

The Grosse Pointe North boys' cross-country team finished seventh at last weekend's Hanson's Invitational.


Senior Nick Finley was 14th overall to lead the Norsemen. The team's other finishers were junior Tyler Sickmiller, 27th; senior Ed Surmont, 40th;

junior Jordan Radke, 43rd; and senior Jay Gryniewicz, 54th.

"We got to see several teams from our region, as well as Utica, Eisenhower, L'Anse Creuse North and Stevenson from our division," head coach Diane Montgomery said.

Clarkston won the meet run on a wet, damp, chilly day with gusty winds.

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Field hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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Improving

Head coach Millie Tompkins is trying to point her Grosse Pointe South girls' field hockey team in the right direction this fall. In recent action, the Blue Devils tied Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart 0-0 and lost 4-2 to Livonia Ladywood and 2-1 to Ann Arbor Pioneer. South is 1-4-2 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 1 standings and 3-4-3 overall.

NORTH & LIGGETT

Weather makes tough opponent

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett girls' field hockey teams had a little bit of everything in its games last week.

The Norsemen hosted Washtenaw Whippets, tying 2-2 on a wet, slick field, and earlier in the week the Knights lost a tough 1-0 road game to Farmington Hills Mercy.

For the Norsemen, Anna Giordano scored both goals as the team is 1-2-2 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 3 standings and 3-3-2 overall.

The Knights dropped to 0-2-4 in the MHSFHA Division 2 standings and 1-5-4 overall.

North JV

"Our team came out and ran hard and played tough," North girls junior varsity field hockey head coach Kelly Maher said.

The Norsemen scored early in the first half, but it was waved off, leaving the game against Grosse Pointe South

scoreless. That would turn out to be the final score.

Maher pointed out the outstanding efforts of Yecica Pavlovich, Kate Lechner, Abby Casterline, Karina Lucchese and Angela Tibado up front.

Defensively, Amanda Berry, Julian Goosby, Carmen Thomas, Mackenzie Snitgen and Hayley Tarantine played well, according to Maher.

Goalkeeper Madison Bush had several key saves to preserve the tie and newcomer Emily Aziz was strong at mid-field. Anna Gruber, Mary Harder and Lindsay Carlisle were on their game, too.

"I was really proud of the girls," Maher said. "We are coming together as a team and I am excited to see them reach their potential."

In other action, the junior varsity beat the Washtenaw Whippets 3-0 behind goals by Casterline, Lechner and Pavlovich, plus assists from Pavlovich, Lucchese and Carlisle.

The team also lost to Novi and beat Dearborn Edsel Ford 1-0 on a Lechner goal.

Soccer

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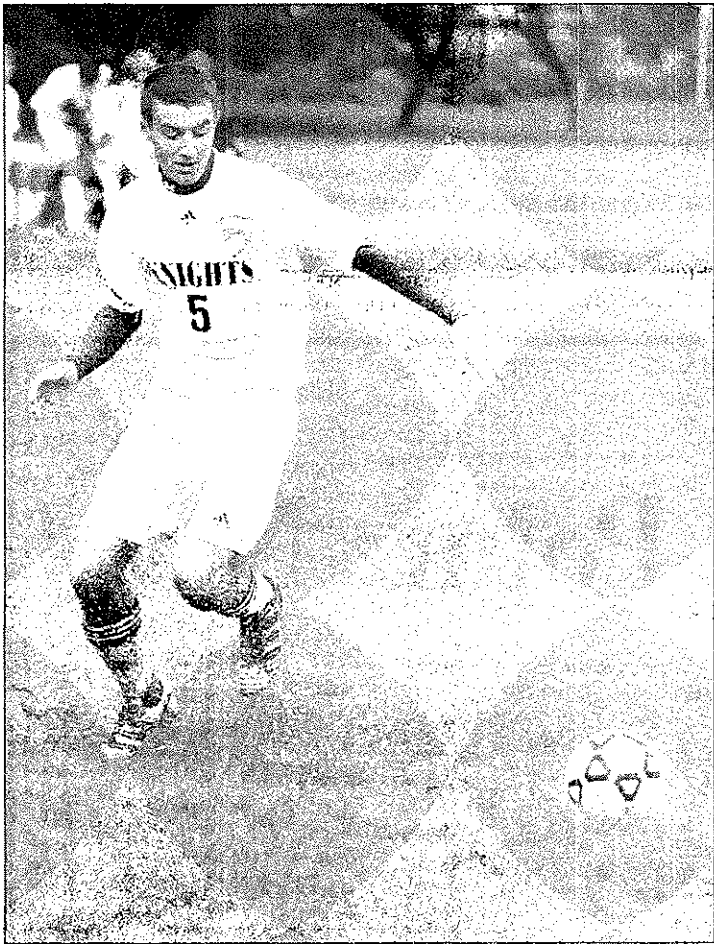


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Mud rules

Liggett senior Billy Marx, left, strikes the ball during the Knights' win over Calvary Christian on a wet, soggy, muddy home field last week. Marx led the way with three goals, while Adante Provenzano, Peter Hopkins, T.J. Stevenson, Austin Kidder and Brian Gutermuth had a goal apiece. Liggett improved to 9-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division. Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North boys' soccer teams also played last week. The Blue Devils moved to second place in the Macomb Area Conference White Division with wins over L'Anse Creuse North (2-1), Fraser (3-2), Port Huron Northern (3-0) and Romeo (3-2). South improved to 5-2-1 in the MAC White and 5-4-3 overall. In its two MAC Red Division contests, North lost 3-0 at Anchor Bay and 7-0 to Sterling Heights Stevenson Monday night, falling to 0-7-1 in the MAC Red Division and 1-12-1 overall.

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Preparing for regionals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North finished behind champion Port Huron Northern in last week's Macomb Area Conference Red Division Tournament at Romeo.

Northern, the regular season champ, completed the sweep, winning six of the eight flights. Northern won with 34.5 points, followed by Grosse Pointe South with 29.5, Utica Eisenhower with 24, Grosse Pointe North with 18, Romeo Stevenson with four.

The Blue Devils and Norsemen each had a champion.

The Blue Devils' champion was the No. 3 doubles team of Mike McCuish and David Wittwer and the Norsemen's gold medal winner was No. 3 singles player Michael Kain, who beat South Colden Gosselin in the championship match, 6-0, 3-0 (injury with-

drawal).

Willard watched his three other doubles teams earn silver medals. David Harris and Daniel Garberding were at No. 1 doubles, while the No. 2 doubles tandem was Henry Brophy and Ted Berkowski.

The Blue Devils' No. 4 doubles squad was Patrick Dietz and Victor Flynn.

South's remaining three singles players captured bronze medals. Nick Paolucci was at No. 1 singles, followed by Matt Clune at No. 2 and Alex Gosselin at No. 4.

For North and head coach John Van Alst, the No. 2 and No. 4 doubles teams won bronze medals. The No. 2 doubles team was Patrick Hastings and Mike Plouffe and the No. 4 doubles squad was Grant Shaheen and Matt Kain.

The No. 3 doubles team of Scott Johnston and Jeremy Harr placed fifth, as did the No. 1 doubles squad of Jason Vismara and Jeff Irving.

Other Norsemen in the tournament were Dan Amato,

fourth at No. 1 singles; Bryan Butts, fourth at No. 2 singles; and Bobby Mulpuri, fifth at No. 4 singles.

Liggett results

University Liggett boys' tennis team is making quick work of the squads ranked in the top 10 in Division IV.

They added another team to the "to beat" list, Armada, 7-1.

Head coach Drew Mascarin watched his singles player destroy Armada's opposition.

Garrett Mallires won 6-0, 6-4 at No. 1, while Phillip Pierce won 6-3, 6-1 at No. 2. Austin Pettipren and James Jurcak breezed in their matches at No. 3 and No. 4 singles, winning 6-2, 6-4 and 6-1, 6-0.

At No. 1 doubles, Boris Canzano and Robert Stanley won 6-2, 6-4 and the No. 2 doubles squad of Patrick Thomas and Alec Pettipren won in straight sets, 6-0, 6-4.

The final victory was posted by the No. 3 doubles squad of Alan Jurcak and Neil Sekhon, 6-3, 6-3.

Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils net impressive wins

Grosse Pointe South's girls' swimming and diving team keeps piling up the impressive victories.

In a recent quad meet, South beat highly-ranked South Lyon 99-87, as well as Hartland 114-72 and Dexter 129-57.

Right off the bat, the Blue Devils were all business as Ali DeLoof, Gabby DeLoof, Anne Crowley and Catie DeLoof won the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:50.63.

Gabby DeLoof won the 200-yard individual medley with a state-qualifying time of 2:10.86, which was a little less than 10 seconds ahead of runner-up Erin McCurry of South Lyon.

Also in that event, Scarlett Cockell and Crowley earned MISCA-qualifying times with a fourth- and fifth-place finish with times of 2:24.42 and 2:24.56, respectively.

It was Catie DeLoof's turn to win an event. She placed first in the 50-yard freestyle with a state-qualifying time of 24.93 and Amy Krausmann was fifth

with a MISCA-qualifying time of 26.32.

The senior DeLoof, Ali, won the 100-yard freestyle with another state-qualifying time of 53.86 and Morse qualified for the MISCA meet with a fifth-place time of 57.00.

Ali DeLoof also won the 100-yard backstroke with a state-qualifying time of 59.70 and Catie DeLoof was third, also with a state-qualifying time of 1:00.80.

Head coach Eric Gunderson watched his Blue Devils put a finishing touch on the impressive victories with a win in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Catie DeLoof, Gabby DeLoof, Morse and Ali DeLoof had a state-qualifying time of 3:42.18.

Other top finishes in the meet were Cockell taking fourth in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:14.50 (MISCA qualifying) and Grace Perri placing sixth in the same event with a time of 1:15.90 (MISCA qualifying).

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, Crowley, Krausmann, Jessi

Kaminski and Morse finished second with a state-qualifying time of 1:45.15 and the foursome of Kate Van Pelt, Carly Hampton, Sarah Schervish and Laurel Johnson qualified for the MISCA meet with a fifth-place time of 1:50.14.

Allyson O'Connell was fourth in the 500-yard freestyle with a MISCA-qualifying time of 5:37.29 and in the 100-yard butterfly, Gabby DeLoof, Crowley and Kaminski placed second, third and fourth with times of 1:01.40 (state qualifying), 1:02.98 (MISCA qualifying) and 1:04.13 (MISCA qualifying), respectively.

In diving, Madi Kaiser was fourth with 176.95 points and in the 200-yard freestyle, Morse was third with a state-qualifying time of 2:01.83 and O'Connell was sixth with a MISCA-qualifying time of 2:05.48.

The Blue Devils' other top time was turned in by the 200-medley relay team of Caroline Hall, Perri, Katie Graham and Van Pelt. They took fourth with

a MISCA-qualifying time of 2:01.23.

South also defeated Utica Eisenhower last week, 131-52, improving to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 9-0 overall.

Winning individual events were Catie DeLoof in the 200-freestyle and 50-freestyle with times of 2:01.54 and 25.68, Morse in the 200-IM with a time of 2:19.79, Kaiser in diving with 212.18 points, Krausmann in the 100-freestyle with a time of 59.79, Ali DeLoof in the 500-freestyle with a time of 5:35.93, Gabby DeLoof in the 100-backstroke with a time of 59.80 and Ellen Neveux in the 100-breaststroke with a time of 1:15.65.

The Blue Devils also won two-of-three relays with the 200-freestyle relay team of Gabby DeLoof, Catie DeLoof, Morse and Ali DeLoof posting a time of 1:45.22 and the 400-free relay squad of Graham, Johnson, Krausmann and Ali DeLoof turning in a time of 4:04.82.

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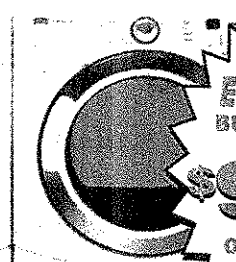
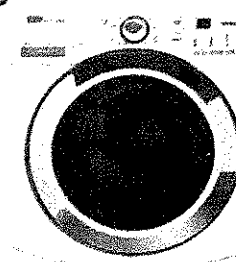
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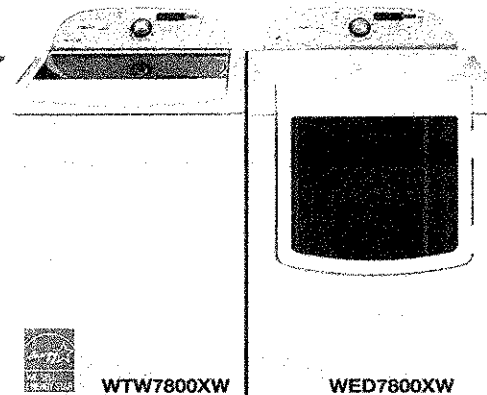
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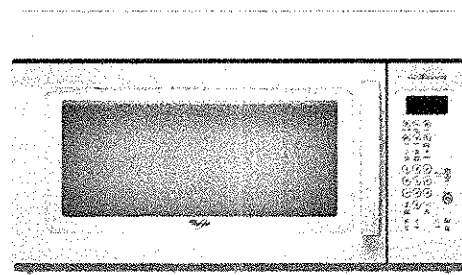
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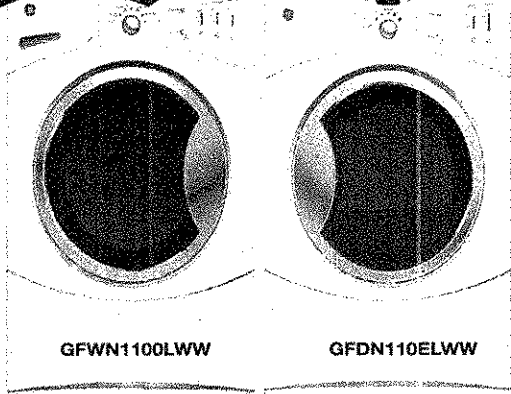
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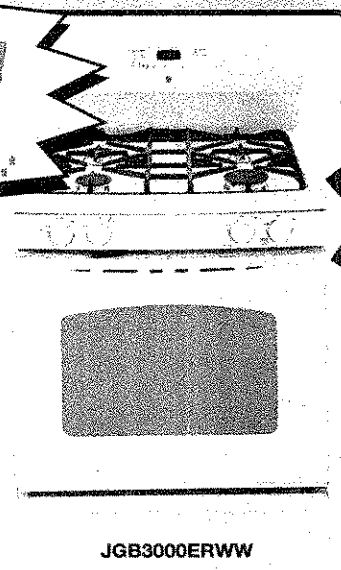
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