

Grosse Pointe News



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Lightly in the night

The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club is a veritable fairyland of twinkling lights which bounce off the lake and provide a feast for the eyes of passersby.

Rezoning brings Park condos one step closer

By Donna Walker
Staff Writer

Sale by the Park of the former Esquire Theater site to local businessman Diamond Phillips, who wants to build condominiums on the property, moved a step forward last week.

The city council unanimously voted to rezone the vacant Esquire lot — and adjacent lots already owned by Phillips — from OS-1 office-service and B-2 business zoning districts to RC residential districts.

Park city attorney Herold McC. Deason said the action was necessary because, unlike other cities, the Park does not "stack" its zoning districts. Condominiums and other residential dwellings in the Park are not allowed in OS-1 and B-2 districts, and likewise, businesses and offices are not allowed in residential districts, unless they happen to fall under a "grandfather" clause.

Phillips currently owns the building rented by the Wilhelm Funeral Home, along with a parking lot and the Old Place Restaurant.

He wants to build a three-story, 26-unit condominium complex on the north side of Jefferson, between the vacant Lakepointe Olds Dealership and the burned-out Crown Cleaners building.

His project involves: buying the Esquire lot, located just north of Lakepointe Olds; tearing down the two buildings he owns; getting permission from the Park to close Beaconsfield; and then building condominiums along the entire stretch of land, including over the roadway on Beaconsfield.

In September, the council gave Phillips a one-year option to purchase the Esquire lot, which the city acquired from Michigan Theaters in 1988 through condemnation proceedings.

Including costs that a Wayne County Circuit Court mediation panel ordered the Park to pay Michigan Theaters in 1989, the Park spent about \$435,000 to acquire the property, and it has been off the city's tax rolls ever since.

When the council granted Phillips the purchase option, it said it would sell the Esquire site to him for \$30,000. That price is good for the length of the one-year option.

Phillips' architect, John Vitale, of Stucky & Vitale in Royal Oak, said Phillips doesn't want to purchase the Esquire site until he receives three things from the city: the rezoning of the lots to RC districts, permission to build over Beaconsfield, and a height variance allowing him to have a third story on his condominiums.

Two of those stumbling blocks remain.

Park city manager Dale Krajniak said the council will consider closing Beaconsfield after receiving and reviewing specific site plans for the project.

Vitale said, "We're kind of moving along on a design schedule," but said he is not sure when the site plans will be ready for the council to review.

He said Phillips has spoken with the owner of Crown Cleaners about acquiring the property, but has not made an offer.

"Basically, all he (Phillips) did was open the lines of communication," Vitale said.

Lee Shin, owner of Crown Cleaners, said Phillips has approached him about buying the property, but that he doesn't want to sell.

"I want to rebuild, eventually," Shin said.

Vitale also said that Phillips has asked about acquiring the Lakepointe Olds building, but that he has not been able to reach an agreement with the owner.

Phillips was ill last week and unavailable for comment.

1992 — the first half: Millage passes, Cottage grows

By Ronald J. Bernas
Staff Writer

Money makes the world go around. It was also the main theme running throughout the year's stories.

From school budgets to the Milk River project to expanding city offices, what it cost was on everybody's mind. Even the cost of planning for tomorrow was of concern.

But things still got done, albeit with a tight rein on the pocketbook.

January

For Grosse Pointe City, it was a year of growth. In January, the city purchased the residential property next door to city hall and plans — at some future date — to expand its municipal offices.

A gift of \$500,000 from the John L. Booth family and Booth American Co. made the John L. Booth Library at University Liggett School possible.

The library was officially dedicated in December 1991 and opened for business in January 1992.

Work began — finally — on the Milk River retention basin after years of discussion and planning. The \$18.8 million project continued throughout the year.

Residents were furious at Detroit Edison workers who were out in force trimming trees away from power lines. Edison said it was sorry the residents were upset, but they were ordered to trim any branches closer than 10 feet to the main wires. The trimming was done for the resident's safety, and so that there wouldn't be a repeat of July 1991 when a severe storm left much of the Pointes without power for several days.

Although Grosse Pointe Woods city manager Chester Petersen said he was retiring after 30 years of service, he agreed to stay on until the Woods found a replacement. After an extensive search, Phil

Belcher, who was the Woods' assistant city manager, was appointed in September.

A sudden storm dumped at least a foot of snow on southeastern Michigan, and claimed the lives of two Pointe residents who suffered heart attacks shoveling themselves out from under.

A 32-year-old Park woman was slain when she was gunned down while waiting for the bus at Jefferson and Wayburn by two men who wanted her purse. The assailants were never caught.

Grosse Pointe North High School senior Kelly Babel was named Michigan's Young Woman of the Year, winning a college scholarship. She represented the state in the national pageant in June. The competition is a contest for scholarships and participants are judged on the basis of scholastic achievement, performing arts skill, a panel evaluation and poise.

Grosse Pointe Farms began offering advanced life support to its residents by hiring a private firm, thereby joining the

Woods in providing this type of service.

Cottage hospital began work on its \$6.5 million expansion and renovation project which included a new emergency room, a new lobby area and an overhead walkway connecting the hospital with the parking structure across Muir Road.

Residents were shocked to hear that SMART, the suburban bus service, would close its doors for good March 31 if it

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Pointer of Interest Donald N. Sweeny III

By Margie Reins Smith
Feature Editor

When Donald N. Sweeny III was a youngster growing up in Grosse Pointe Park, he didn't spend much time in the Pointe's public libraries.

"I remember my father used the library, however. He always had books under his arm,

under his bed. He was president of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library in the mid-60s," he said.

Sweeny has children of his own now (Margaret is 10; Andrew is 8; Caroline is almost 4).

Today Sweeny is not only a frequent user of the libraries, but he's a member of the board of directors of the Friends, one of the largest library fundraising organizations in the area, with more than 2,000 active members. He's a two-time past president of the Friends and a member of the library's advisory committee to the Grosse Pointe board of education.

He's also ready to work for library expansion — again.

"People measure the worth of a community, in part, by its libraries. People look at this library and ask if this is the best Grosse Pointe can offer. It's pretty sad," he said.

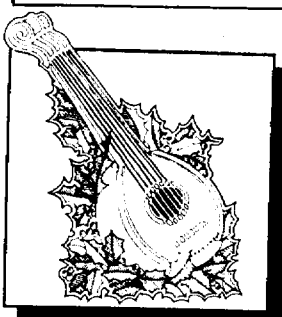
Sweeny said the three Grosse Pointe libraries need more books, more space, more com-



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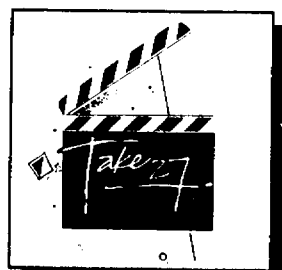
A joyful noise

The entire Defer student body — 478 bodies — performed in concert Dec. 10 in the Pierce school auditorium. The youngsters above were waiting for their cue. The all-vocal concert was led by Mary Garlough, music teacher. Accompanist was Alice Laitner.



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Kindergarten tuition increase weighed

By Shirley A. McShane
Staff Writer

Following a presentation on the merits and successes of the Grosse Pointe schools' all-day kindergarten program, the Grosse Pointe board of education considered a 5-percent tuition increase in the 9-year-old program.

Current tuition for the program, which is offered at Kelsey Defer and Ferry elementary schools, is \$1,850. The board is expected to take action at its Dec. 14 meeting on a proposal to increase to \$1,950.

The all-day program was initiated in the 1984-85 school year with one class of 25 pupils at Ferry Elementary School. By the third year the program had grown to an average of 65 to 75 students at three schools, according to Alfreda Frost, assistant superintendent for curriculum and evaluation.

The program was developed at the recommendation of a study committee in 1983. The committee found that the pupils would benefit from longer time blocks, and added enrichment activities.

"This gives us a chance to get to know the child," said

teacher Sonya Harris. "We know their likes, dislikes, interests and hobbies and we can better teach them responsibility and self control. There is no limit to what we can do with these small children."

Teacher Christine Tlusty said "more" is the key word to describe the expanded program. She believes that the additional exposure to reading, mathematics and play time (which is important for developing social interaction skills) imbues the children with a lively interest in reading and writing, geometric relationships, principles of addition and problem solving.

"We are more relaxed and under less pressure with the (expanded) time element," said teacher Lynn Bigelmann. She offered an example of how the children are taught across disciplines based upon a show-and-tell experience.

One day a boy brought in two hermit crabs. The students were read a short story about hermit crabs, then they were asked to write their own book about the crustaceans. Finally, students observed a race between the two crabs and then drew a graph to show how the race went.

Frost said all the district's nine elementary schools offer

the half-day program, with three schools offering the full-time program. The full-time kindergartens are geographically located to best serve all Grosse Pointe residents and to minimize transportation time.

A general comparison of tuition rates for other kindergarten programs in the Grosse Pointes indicates that parents are paying \$6,450 for an all-day program at the Grosse Pointe Academy and the University Liggett School charges \$4,500 for half-day and \$6,500 for full-day kindergarten.

Our Lady Star of the Sea's half-day kindergarten tuition is \$1,141 and \$1,807 for all-day. Non parishioners pay \$1,582 and \$2,419, respectively, for the same programs.

Purse stolen, recovered

A 29-year-old Detroit woman was shopping in a store in the 18900 block of Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms on Saturday, Dec. 12, and put her purse down for a moment to better look at the merchandise.

A few seconds later, her purse was gone.

A man in the store said he saw a woman grab the purse and hide it under her coat. He said the woman walked away and then put the victim's red-leather purse in a large black purse she was carrying.

The suspect was stopped by store security as she left the building, and officers found the red-leather purse in her black bag. A security officer looked inside the purse for the victim's identification and paged her name over the public address system, asking her to report to the security office.

The victim identified the red purse and its contents, and said nothing was missing.

The suspect was arrested by Farms police, booked at the police station, and then released on \$200 bond.

Corrections

Corrections will be printed on this page every week. If there is an error of fact in any story, call the newsroom at 882-0294.

The obituary for W.E. "Gene" Sturges in the Dec. 17 issue should have requested that memorial contributions be sent to the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe or to the TMC Foundation Seniors Fund, 5301 E. Grant Rd., Tucson, Ariz. 85712.



Giving

Instead of exchanging gifts with one another, the 4-year-olds at Christ the King Lutheran Preschool in Grosse Pointe Woods gave each other \$1 to buy books for the Gift of Reading program. From the left are Julie Bordato, Jillian Kronner, Jessica Grosso and Jenny Bohannon. Registration for the school will be held on Monday, Feb. 1, at 8:30 a.m. Classes for 3-year-olds will be held Tuesday and Thursday mornings and afternoons; 4-year-olds will attend Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and afternoons. For more information, call 886-2937.

A two-member armored truck crew was servicing an automated teller machine in the 20800 block of Mack about 12:40 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, and for security, a Grosse Pointe Woods officer was sitting in his scout car nearby.

Suddenly, the female crew member came out of the building with her gun drawn, and signaled for the officer to approach her.

He radioed for police back-up, and when a second officer arrived, she told them that she couldn't find her partner in the building.

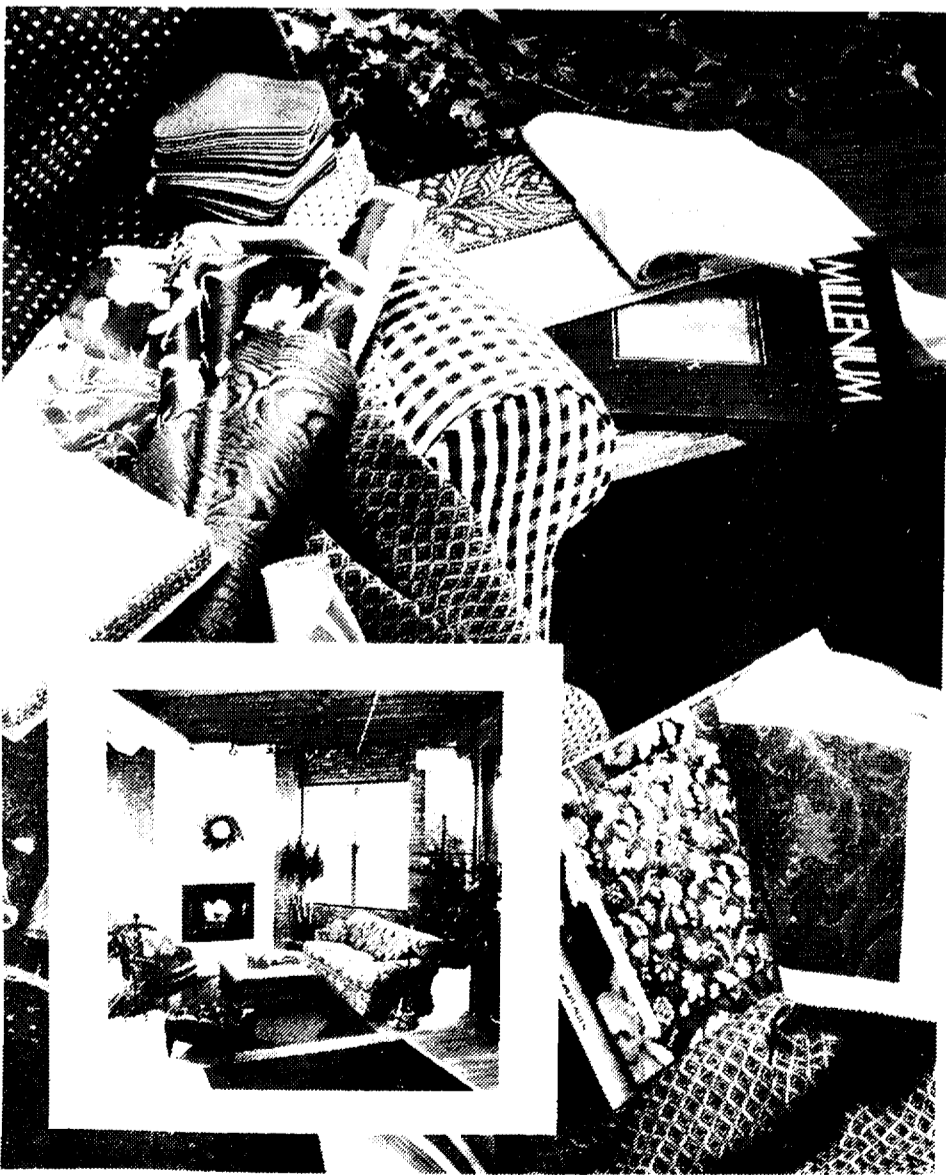
The officers soon located him. He was using the rest room in the rear of the building.

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Park's Excalibur bar denied further expansion

By Donna Walker
Staff Writer

Excalibur Park Lounge owner Brian MacLean can only have half of what he wants, the Grosse Pointe Park City Council decided last week.

Last spring, MacLean asked the council for a variance to expand his lounge, located at 15007 Charlevoix, into two adjacent storefronts — one south of the bar and one north of the bar — that he owns and had been using for storage.

He said he needed the additional space to construct bigger bathrooms that would be handicapped accessible and that would meet newer building codes.

His request resulted in an outcry from residents who told the council the bar was a "bad neighbor" and therefore shouldn't be allowed to expand.

They said patrons from the bar yell and fight outside and urinate on lawns, and that noise from Excalibur's outdoor deck disturbs them on summer nights.

On June 8, the council struck a compromise with MacLean, voting 6-1 (with Councilwoman Valerie Moran casting the dissenting vote), to let him expand into the south storefront, providing he agreed to several restrictions.

Also, the council decided to table for six months a decision

on the other half of MacLean's request — to expand into the north storefront.

MacLean and Excalibur would be on probation during those six months, the council said, and at the first meeting in December, the council would consider whether the other half of the request should be granted, based on how well MacLean and the Excalibur lived up to those restrictions during their probation.

At the time, Mayor Palmer Heenan likened it to "holding a carrot in front of his (MacLean's) nose."

MacLean complied with the conditions, and spent more money renovating the south storage room and expanding the bathrooms than he originally invested when he purchased Excalibur, his attorney William C. Schaefer said.

At last week's meeting, councilmembers agreed that MacLean's lounge looked a lot better, and that the number of public disturbances outside the bar seemed to have declined.

They received a report from public safety director Richard Caretti, who said MacLean's establishment was "as good or

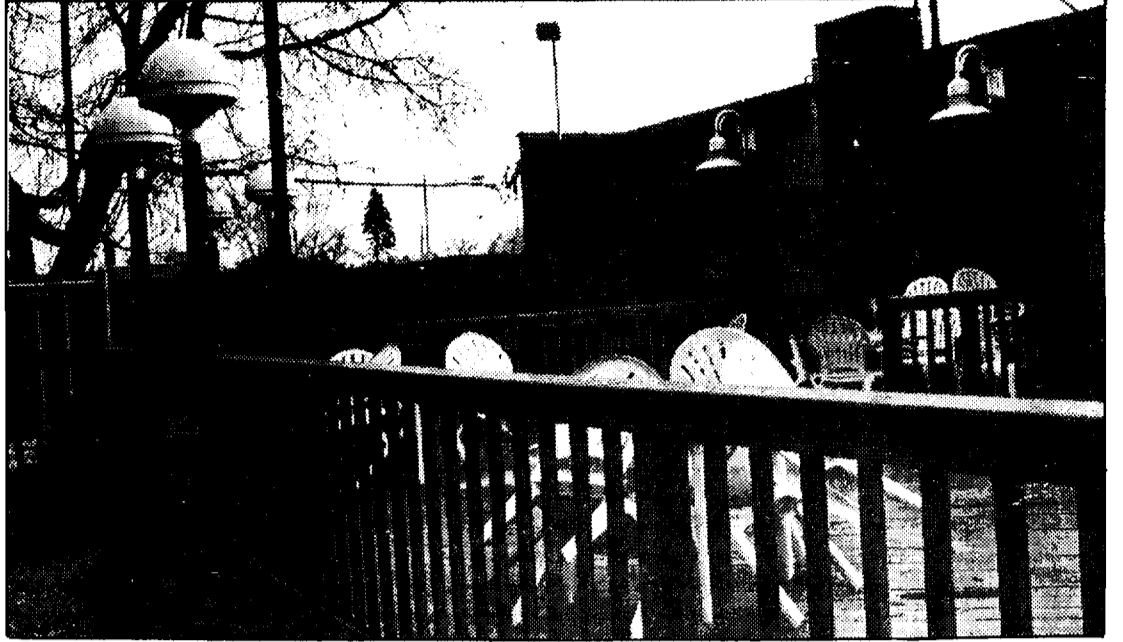


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Patrons can use the deck area where the chairs are shown, but Excalibur Park owner Brian MacLean blocked off part of the deck with a wooden railing (just left of the umbrella) to comply with restrictions set by the Grosse Pointe Park City Council.

4 who voted 'NO'

By Donna Walker
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Park City Council's denial of part of a zoning variance for Excalibur Park Lounge last week was a surprise to both the owner, Brian MacLean, and his attorney, William C. Schaefer.

"I'm not sure what their reasons were for denial," Schaefer said. "Mr. MacLean complied with all the restrictions. Why three councilmembers decided to change their vote, I don't know."

He was speaking of councilmembers Barbara Miller, James E. Robson Jr. and Robert Klacza. In June, they voted in favor of half a variance permitting MacLean to expand his business into an adjacent storefront south of Excalibur.

Last week, they voted against the other half of the variance, which would have allowed MacLean to also expand the bar into an adjacent storefront to the north.

Councilwoman Valerie Moran voted against both parts of the variance.

According to the city charter, before the council can grant a variance, the petitioner must prove that he or she will suffer hardship if the variance is not approved.

MacLean said his hardship was the need to enlarge the bar's bathroom facilities, making them handicapped accessible and in compliance with newer building codes.

Moran said she voted against the variance in June because she did not think the need for better bathroom facilities constituted a hardship, and that she voted no last week to be consistent.

Miller, Robson and Klacza said they voted for the first part of the variance because they thought the need for better bathrooms was a valid hardship. They voted against the second half of the variance, they said, because MacLean no longer had a hardship since he improved the bathrooms after the council granted him the first part of the variance he requested.

However, Mayor Palmer Heenan, mayor pro tem Vernon K. Ausherman and councilman Andrew Richner said the issue of hardship should not have been considered at last week's meeting, because allowing Excalibur to expand to the north storefront would not have constituted a second variance. Rather, it would have been the second half of the variance that was granted in June.

Since the council approved the hardship for that variance in June, no further claim of hardship was needed, Heenan and Richner said.

City attorney Herold McC. Deason and city manager Dale Krajniak also said that the expansion to the north would have been part of the same variance that allowed expansion into the southerly storefront, and would not have constituted a second variance.

Heenan, Richner and Ausherman said the only issue facing the council last week regarding the variance request was whether or not MacLean and Excalibur had passed their six-month probation.

"The way I viewed it," Ausherman said, "if his performance during that probationary period was satisfactory, the council would grant his further expansion. I viewed it as kind of an agreement with the city. It

wasn't a formal contract, because nothing was signed, but I thought it was an agreement, nonetheless."

Robson and Klacza said MacLean did not pass probation because he had not lived

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Conditions agreed upon

Excalibur Park Lounge owner Brian MacLean gave up some of his rights as a business owner and agreed to several conditions last June when the Grosse Pointe Park City Council granted him part of a zoning variance to expand his bar.

MacLean said he complied with the conditions because the council gave him the impression that if he did so, the other half of his variance request would be approved in December.

Here are the conditions he agreed to:

- The men's and women's bathrooms in the bar had to be updated and remodeled following building code requirements. The remodeling and enlargement of the bathrooms — including new floor and wall tile, new stalls, new sinks, new mirrors, vanities and plumbing — have been completed.

- There can be no more than a combined total of 130 patrons (or less, if the fire code requires it) inside his bar and on the outdoor deck at any one time. That's about 40 people fewer than the Excalibur otherwise would be allowed to have under city code, based on the bar's expanded floorspace. Park public safety director Richard Caretti said his department has monitored Excalibur Park Lounge closely over the last six months, and that the restricted capacity

has not been violated.

- The outside deck had to revert to its original 50-by-40-foot area, which MacLean accomplished by blocking off part of the deck with a wooden fence and gate. The fence and gate (which is kept locked) match the deck's design. MacLean had torn down the old deck behind the bar last year and constructed a larger one in its place.

- MacLean must provide uniformed security personnel Thursday through Saturday, from 9:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., Memorial Day through Labor Day, and at other times requested by the public safety department. For about two months, MacLean monitored the parking lot himself, then starting in August, he had his employees, wearing Excalibur Park T-shirts, act as security guards in the lot. He said in addition to what the council required, he had security personnel in the parking lot during fall and winter holidays when college students were home on break. Councilmembers disagree as to whether T-shirts constitute uniforms.

- The council required MacLean to install a sound-deafening fence in Excalibur's rear yard, to provide relief to residents who complained about noise coming from the deck. MacLean put up an 18-foot-tall fence with an attached, sound-deafening

screen, but councilman Robert Klacza has said the type of fence that was installed is not adequate. MacLean says it is, because the city gave him a permit to install it. However, city manager Dale Krajniak said he told MacLean before issuance of the permit that it does not constitute the public service department's approval of the type of fence installed. Whether or not the fence sufficiently muffled sound was "the council's judgment call," Krajniak said.

- The basketball court behind Excalibur can't be used at all, and other outside athletic activities in the rear yard — including horseshoe games — must cease at 10 p.m. MacLean gave up his right as a business owner to provide such activity until his establishment closes at night.

- Music can't be played or piped outside the building. Business owners are normally allowed to have music played or piped outside of their establishments, as long as the music does not create a public nuisance — another right MacLean gave up.
- Appropriate signs had to be placed in the building identifying rest rooms and fire exits, and spelling out restrictions on patrons' activities. MacLean did install signs.

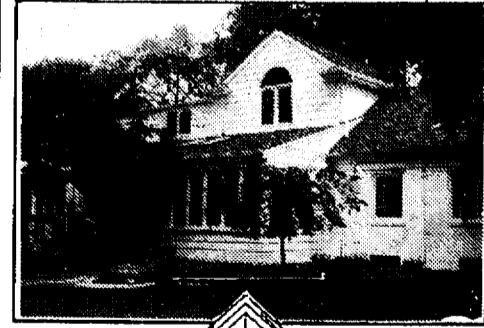
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up to one of the conditions the council imposed upon him in June, specifically, that he have a uniformed security guard monitoring Excalibur's parking lot.

However, MacLean said it was his understanding that he could fulfill that requirement by watching the parking lot himself.

He said he heard in August that the council was not satisfied with that, so on Aug. 19, he sent a memo to Krajniak and all the councilmembers, stating, "Since approval of the interior changes I have personally provided the oversight at the door and observed parking lot activities.

"This has resulted in virtually no complaints as operations have been very quiet and easily manageable. However, as the council has expressed a de-

Woods repeals freon ordinance

Grosse Pointe Woods residents will find it easier — and cheaper — to unload their old refrigerators and air conditioners.

A few months ago, the Woods council passed an ordinance saying the city's waste hauler would not pick up refrigerators and air conditioners unless they bore a sticker from a licensed contractor saying that all the freon from the appliances had been removed.

That meant residents had to hire someone to remove the freon, at a cost of about \$30.

The city adopted the ordinance to comply with new federal environmental regulations.

On Monday, the council unanimously repealed the ordinance, because the Grosse Pointes-Clinton Refuse Disposal Authority (of which the Woods is a member) has the freon removed from appliances when they arrive at the authority's incinerator in Clinton Township.

Residents must still call the city 48 hours in advance to schedule a refuse pick-up for large items, such as air conditioners and refrigerators. However, they no longer have to hire someone to remove the freon before scheduling the refuse pick-up with the city.

The repeal took effect Tuesday, Dec. 22.

—Donna Walker



Excalibur Park Lounge in Grosse Pointe Park has been denied permission to expand into the end storefront on the right.

sire for greater guard visibility I will provide a security employee effective immediately to satisfy your concern and will continue the same through the summer months."

He said he never received a response from the city or the council, so he assumed what he was doing satisfied them.

Although it wasn't explained in the memo he sent to Krajniak and the council, MacLean said the "security personnel" he referred to were his own employees who were assigned to check on conditions in the parking lot. Their uniforms consisted of Excalibur Park T-shirts, he said.

Miller said on those occasions when she drove by Excalibur, she didn't see a uniformed security guard in the lot. "But frankly, I left it up to the police to decide if he (MacLean) was violating our agreement," she said.

Heenan said MacLean's T-shirt-clad security personnel were good enough for him, and that "in substance, he (MacLean) complied with everything we (the council) requested."

However, Klaczka had other reasons for rejecting further

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lated an implied contract it had with MacLean.

Although it was not in the language of the motion that was made in June, the council, during its discussion preceding the motion, inferred that MacLean would get the second half of his variance if he abided by the restrictions the council imposed upon him, Heenan said.

"He complied with every single thing the city asked for," Heenan said. "Do you think he would have done those things and invested all that money if he thought the council was going to renege on its implied promise? I don't think so."

In the hallway outside the council chambers, as he and his

attorney were leaving, MacLean was asked if he still wanted to do business in the Park. He paused a few moments, then said, "I'm still going to reserve judgment. It's not over yet."

He declined to elaborate on what that meant, but Heenan said one of three things could happen:

One, there could be a motion to reconsider from one of the councilmembers who voted against the expansion into the north storefront; two, MacLean could sue the city for violating its implied contract; or three, MacLean could reapply for a variance for the north storefront when there are different people on the council who might vote differently.

Second, Klaczka said that although Excalibur seemed to be better last summer than the previous summer in terms of noise and incidents of disorderly conduct, there could be

several reasons for that, other than the improvements made by MacLean. For example, Klaczka noted that last summer was colder and wetter than the previous summer, which could have resulted in less use of, and less noise from, the deck behind Excalibur.

"Not having a comparable data base made it hard to decide if the noise reduction was due to the inclement weather, or the conditions that had been imposed upon Mr. MacLean," Klaczka said.

Robson and Miller agreed that the inclement weather last summer made it hard to judge the bar's progress. "I've heard about every excuse in the world," Heenan said, "but that was the weakest argument I've ever heard. The city has not fulfilled its honorable responsibility to give this man his further expansion, and to blame it on the weather just isn't right."

Robson, Klaczka and Miller said that if the council had agreed to postpone voting on the variance until nearby residents could be sent a notice reminding them that the public hearing begun last June was being re-opened, it could have worked in MacLean's favor.

In June, the city received a petition signed by more than 100 residents who disapproved of any expansion of Excalibur.

However, there were not many residents in the audience last week who had signed the petition.

If more of the residents who signed the petition had shown up, and if they had said MacLean's establishment had become a better neighbor, that would have "greatly influenced" their decision, Robson and Klaczka said, and they might have voted for the variance.

Miller said she opposed Klaczka's motion to postpone the decision pending the notification of residents because she was ready to vote on the variance without further delay. "It was clear to me," Miller said, "which way I was going to vote, because he (MacLean) did not have a hardship. Frankly, if there had been a lot of people there who had signed the petition and who said the bar was a great place now, it would have been harder for me to vote my conscience. But I still would have voted no, because I just couldn't see his hardship."

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No free lunch is message of the teach-in

That national teach-in on economics offered by Prof. Bill Clinton and assorted helpers last week should have warned the American public that there's no free lunch enroute to prosperity.

In fact, the two-day session attended by more than 325 economists, business executives and labor leaders agreed only on the top economic goals: to spur economic growth in the short term and reduce the budget deficit in the long term.

At one point, however, the president-elect plainly became exasperated and emphasized that neither the plans to speed recovery nor the deficit-reduction proposals would have any relevancy without controlling booming health-care costs.

In fact, Clinton warned, "If you don't do something on health care... it's going to bankrupt the country."

Yet neither Clinton nor the experts at the conference spelled out in any detail the specific government programs that should be cut or the specific taxes that should be raised to trim the budget deficit.

As David E. Rosenbaum of the New York Times put:

Opinion

"While nearly all the participants agreed that the short-term honey should be coupled with bitter medicine to reduce the deficit over the long haul, hardly anyone was willing to prescribe a specific dosage."

Yet no one who read or heard the messages from the conference could escape the conclusion that people generally are going to have to suffer some pain if we are to put our national economic house in order. The fact is there is no free lunch

Peace and good will to all

One of the most frequently quoted phrases of the holiday season, "Peace on earth, good will to men," is worth repeating again this year, regardless of one's religion and personal beliefs.

True, in the larger sense, there still is no real peace on all the earth and too many people still bear ill will toward their fellowmen.

Despite the end of the cold war and the demise of communism, ethnic and religious differences and nationalistic aims still create problems in central Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

Yet in a reflection of the Yuletide spirit, the United States, to President

Bush's credit, has sent forces into Somalia to relieve hunger and, until UN forces can take over, to contain the militants who halted food shipments.

But, while U.S. forces still are serving around the globe, and still may be sent on another humanitarian mission, this time to Bosnia, our nation officially is at peace.

At home, too, with the economy apparently beginning to emerge from its recession and a new president preparing to enter the White House, hopes as well as job prospects are rising.

So we wish our readers a happy holiday with peace on earth and good will to all.

for anyone if that aim is to be achieved.

As for the president, he probably will have to ask for early attacks on both the job-creation and deficit-reduction problems during his honeymoon with Congress and the people, which is estimated to last no more than six months at most.

During the campaign, Clinton promised higher taxes chiefly on those earning \$200,000 a year and on foreign corporations, plus cost containment in a new national health care program and reduced defense spending to ease the budget crunch.

But to obtain the revenue needed to finance his proposed investments in restoring roads and bridges, improving education and worker training, and protecting the nation's health, more new taxes or more cuts in spending, or both, would be required.

One point seemed to be generally acceptable at Clinton's economic teach-in. Whatever the need, the only deficit increase should be of short duration and higher federal spending no longer should be put on the cuff for the long term.

If the Clinton administration holds to that line, it would mean at long last the end of the Reagan-Bush economic theory that the nation could spend itself out of the recession.

In challenging Ronald Reagan in 1980, George Bush called it "voodoo economics" but later accepted it as the price he paid for the vice presidency. But Bush's 1980 term still aptly describes the now discredited theory.

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A view from the sidelines

by Wilbur Elston

As I approach the age of 80, I realize that my perspective on such matters as age and time have changed in recent years.

Like today's teenagers, I once thought I was immortal or at least gave little attention to the distant future.

No more. After charting a journey more or less safely through seven decades and parts of two others in the 20th century, I know more about life's perils as well as, thank goodness, its satisfactions, than I did in my youth.

In aging, one realizes the accuracy of Biblical injunctions about the human condition, such as "The spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak."

Anyone who has played golf for almost 70 years knows as well as I do the truth of that adage. Unfortunately, it also goes for bowling, tennis and most other sports and physical activities except for walking and jogging which, however, impose their own constraints as the years mount.

Not that it's unusual to reach 80 these days. The newsletter of the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club shows that 22 of the 91 members enjoying December birthdays are 80 through 89 — and six are 90 or more.

Yet the print media are full of complaints by baby boomers, who now tend to run things in Washington and elsewhere, about their dreadful personal outlook as they approach 50. Even at that tender age, some look ahead to see only "decay, decrepitude, degeneration, dying," as Newsweek put it.

These complaining boomers sound as if they're replaying the comment of Jorge Luis Borges: "After the age of 50, all change becomes a hateful symbol of the passing of time."

Perhaps the baby boomers would benefit from an adage I adopted years ago. It came from a Minnesota weekly news-

paper that carried under its nameplate on Page 1 the slogan, "Keep going. You never can tell."

True, most people my age tend to talk and think more about the past than the future. That is only natural. At our age, we know we have left more of life behind us than we can see ahead of us. But we try to keep going.

Yet there still are foolish optimists about aging. The Atlantic magazine's prematurely delivered January issue reports on a new self-help group that seriously proposes people say no to death.

Named CBJ, after the first initials of its founders, the organization claims that, as author Cullen Murphy says, "despite evidence to the contrary, it is possible for human beings to achieve physical immortality."

The author remains skeptical about that aim, but he also calls attention to an equally important question: "If physical immortality were possible, would it also be desirable?"

Reviewing the considerable literature on the subject, Murphy points out that "most of it focuses on the darker side of living forever and at least implicitly makes the argument for life — and death — as we know it."

"Even leaving aside the most obvious drawbacks — overpopulation, resource depletion, pollution — think of the potential strain on personal relationships of every kind," the author suggests.

So his recommendation to everyone is: "Stay the course." But that really isn't much different from that Minnesota newspaper's injunction, "Keep going. You never can tell."

Both slogans are recommended to baby boomers as well as realists of all ages who sooner or later learn that you're only as old as you feel.



Letters

Outstanding

To the Editor:

Once again this year, the Grosse Pointe Public Library was pleased to continue its cooperative program with the Detroit Free Press in promoting the Gift of Reading. The gift of books to needy children is a powerful testimony to the value of reading and the role of libraries in encouraging reading as a lifelong activity.

This year's local participants included Defer Elementary School, Kerby Elementary School, Monteith Elementary School, Poupard Elementary School, Trombly Elementary School, Richard Elementary School, Pierce Middle School, The Grosse Pointe Academy, Grosse Pointe Christian Day School, Detroit Industrial School, Third Coast Booksellers, and the three public libraries — Woods, Central and Park.

Together we collected 950 books along with \$75 in cash. We celebrated this

outstanding effort with a Gift of Reading Send-Off Reception, complete with a speaker, entertainment and refreshments, held at Central Library on Wednesday, Dec. 9. Christmas trees at the public libraries were decorated with paper stars signed with the names of those who gave generously to this program.

We welcome the opportunity to join in this positive, enthusiastic program, and we thank all who participated through their contributions.

Charles D. Hanson
Director
Public Libraries
Katherine S. Baubie
President
Friends of the Library

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on page 8A

Good business

To the Editor:
We recently held "Auction 92" to raise funds for

local, national and international projects.

The following businesses supported our efforts:

The Arrangement Flower Shop, Coyote Gallery; Golden Lion; Grosse Pointe Florists; Hampton House of Furniture; Harrison's Carpet; Knickerbocker Hotel, Chicago; Jacobson's; Joe Muer's; "Odyssey" Luncheon/Cruise, Chicago; Patrick Jay's Restaurant; Pegasus Tavern; Pointe Pizza; Posterity; A Gallery; River Place Inn; Shanty Creek/Schuss Mountain Resort; Tidewater Grill; Tom's Oyster Bar; The Traffic Jam & Snug and Tresses Hair Salon.

To all of these businesses, we say thank you for your participation. The donations greatly helped us obtain our goal.

Helen Meyering
Joan Porter
Co-chairs,
Auction Committee
Presbyterian Women
Grosse Pointe
Memorial Church

Why public schools show gain

What caused the 237 gain in student enrollment in the Grosse Pointe schools when the school year started Sept. 9?

Chris Fenton, assistant superintendent for business and support services, offers a simple explanation in the winter issue of the Grosse Pointe Public School System's newsletter.

It is that more parents chose the public schools rather than private or parochial schools for their children, probably because economic conditions affected family income in the Pointes as well as elsewhere in the nation.

In 1992, Fenton pointed out, 82 percent of the school-age children entered the public schools and only 18 percent enrolled in private or parochial schools. Back in 1984, Fenton added, 75 percent chose the public schools and 25 percent the private or parochial school alternative.

The enrollment increase caused a special problem because of the uneven distribution of students. The open enrollment permitted in the Grosse Pointe schools so long as space is available ended for Monteith, the system's largest elementary school with 583 students, as well as for Parcels Middle School.

Overall, the student enrollment of 7,744 contrasts with the overall regular staff of 577, which is about 7.4 percent of the student body.

The school system, of course, is the biggest business in the Pointes, with the biggest payroll and an annual budget of more than \$60 million.

In view of its importance in developing the community's most valuable natural resource, its children, the school system is also, despite its critics, the major force for maintaining stability, continuity and residential property values in all the Pointes.

It's a point for Pointers to remember.

Reunion: Phony fete

This weekend members of my high school graduating class will reunite for an evening of catching up, note comparing, story telling, gossiping and partying over what has transpired in the last decade.

I will not be there. I had debated for quite some time whether to buy a ticket for this landmark event.

Last year I went with my husband to his 10-year reunion and while we both had reservations about the evening, it turned out to be a wild and wonderful night.

After all, I only knew a half

dozen people — his circle of friends — and the rest of the crowd, well, who cared what they thought. As a matter of fact, realizing that I didn't know them and they didn't know me injected a high dose of devil-may-care into my inhibitions.

At least three people approached me, certain that we had been in the same math class, were in cahoots on some prank or had shared some other monumental moment together. I made little effort to correct their faulty memories.

At one point, I picked up a name tag for a David-somebody-or-other who was late or hadn't bothered to show. I slapped the tag on my dress and told people I was, in fact, David, and hadn't they heard about my operation?

It might have worked, except this David guy was at least a foot taller than me. Oh, well.

I Say

Shirley A. McShane



I think any desire to go to my own reunion was based on nothing more than morbid curiosity. Was the homecoming queen still petite and vivacious? Was the class jock still in shape? Had the bookworms blossomed? How many were married, divorced, had children, gotten filthy rich or fallen on hard times? Who had lost their hair? Who had gained or lost considerable amounts of weight? Who was still stuck in

the seventies? And was bad-attitude Bob still scowling?

But I couldn't bring myself to pay for a ticket, buy a nice dress and sweat over how I would present myself to a group of people I secretly wanted to snicker at, or envy, or be forced to spend ten minutes or the rest of the evening talking about how wonderful we looked, how happy we were for each other and professing how we'd, for sure, have to "do

lunch" sometime, when we didn't give a rat's behind about each other 10 years ago.

When the alcohol in our systems evaporated and the headache subsided the next morning, at best we'd shake our heads and wonder why we'd slobbered such insincerities the night before. At worst, we'd be ashamed of ourselves.

After all, I'm not really the same person now that I was in 1982. Whomever I still see from those days knows that anyway.

My best friend from high school, Becky, boarded a jet bound for Germany days after we marched across the stage in our caps and gowns. Miraculously, we have remained as close as two people can be when separated by so many miles.

In 10 years, we have seen each other three times, written hundreds of letters and ex-

hausted bank accounts paying the long-distance telephone bills.

And whenever she calls me, like she did on my birthday two months ago, we are still able to gab endlessly, reminisce and laugh until tears run down our cheeks about all the ridiculous things we did in high school.

I have maintained a few other high-school-based friendships over the years, but for the most part, my school-time buddies faded from my life years ago.

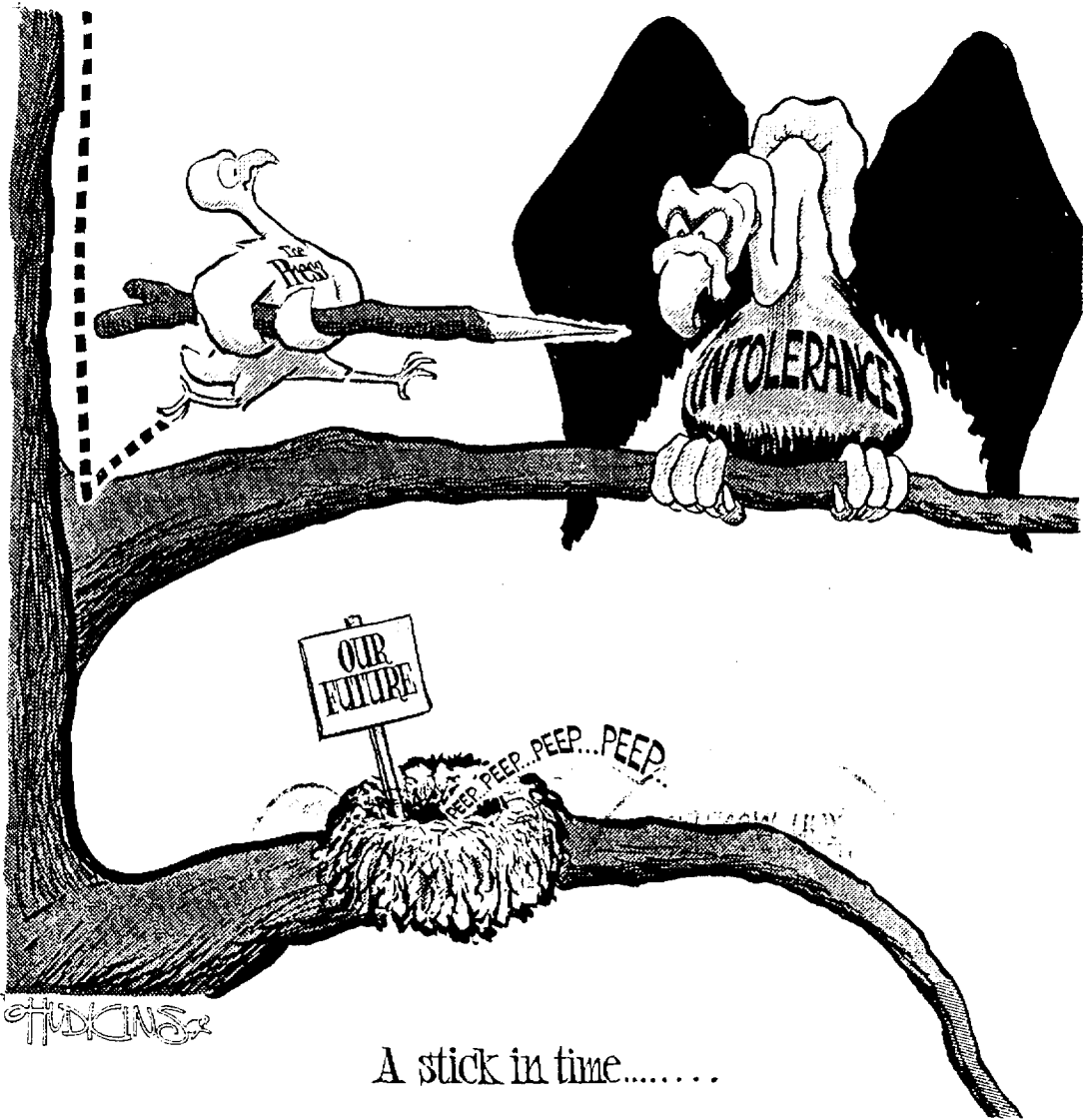
I'm sure on the night of the reunion, I'll stop and think of those days and maybe even regret that I didn't show up, just for fun. But the feeling will certainly pass, because, you see, there's this meeting I have to attend...

"Hi, my name is Shirley and I'd like you to meet Chip, he lives on my shoulder."

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The Op-Ed Page



A stick in time.....

Quest for roots stirs orgy of remembrance

Fall was barely in the air the day we drove east to see her family's old homestead. In the last couple of years, she'd visited it a few times, and that day we were going to meet with an architect to see what kind of dwelling could be fashioned from the decrepit hulk.

But it was more than a hammer-and-nails meeting. This house has standing in the family's heart.

Up a wobbly ladder to the attic lie more forgotten mementos. Amid the birds' nests and cobwebs, under straw from broken bales are old-fashioned high-top ladies' shoes, boxes of children's clothing, cello and piano music, toys, German army helmets with a spike on top.

Up here, under the straw, her mother, as a teenager, hid when the Russian soldiers came. With her young cousin, she lay quietly for two or three days, until the coast was clear. Soon after, they made their escape to Hamburg, 50 miles away.

Family stories spilled out all day in an orgy of remembrance, interspersed with plans to convert the workshop into an artist's studio. The idea of the granddaughter meeting her muse in the same space where the grandfather bent wood to his plan has deeply satisfying parallels.

A few days later, she and her mother turned their energies to my roots. The scene had changed to the south of Germany, where we were all together in the mountains. They discovered that my great-grandparents were born in Alsace, not an hour's drive away. They were entranced. Nothing would do but that we prepare a picnic and drive to Hag-

enau (the old Alsatian spelling) to see their old haunts.

Off we went on a sunny September day, taking the back way through countless villages with hanging geraniums in windowboxes, each quaintier than the last. We almost missed the abrupt turn to Kaiserstuhl, where a village lies in the crater of a very extinct and worndown volcano.

Across the Rhine, past guardless border stations, we drove across the flat French countryside as they regaled me with tales of the independent-minded Alsatians who have had their distinctive culture smothered by Paris.

We stopped for our picnic in the vast Foret d'Haguenuau (its French spelling), spreading our blanket on the noticeably damp ground — which had, however, brought out the legendary French mushroom hunters. Our lunch was punctuated by silent searches gliding stealthily by, concealing their successes from their competitors. I tried to imagine myself an Alsatian, actually knowing the difference between a poisonous *champignon* and a good one.

In Hagenau's flower-bedded Centre Ville, my friends hastened from cafe to church to chic shop, gushing, "Your great-grandfather ate here! He worshipped here! He shopped here!" They wanted to take my picture in front of every building.

We got the idea that other relatives may still live here and decided to look some of them up in the phone book. Alas, the French are every bit as hard on their public book booths as we are; not a book remains intact and any Hagenau Herbsts and Wilds are still anonymous.

My grandfather tried to blaze this same trail about 40 years ago. Passing a restaurant in Hagenau, he noticed, among the incomprehensible notations on the window sign, the name "Wild." (My German friends could see this coming and burst into guffaws.) Hoping the establishment was run by a relative, he went in and introduced himself, in rudimentary German, as Mr. Wild. Much gesticulating and shouting eventually acquainted him with the fact that "wild" means wild game is on the menu.

He was enormously embarrassed at the time, but enjoyed telling the story on himself for years.

The chic little city somehow doesn't quite square with the few family memories of Alsace. Where are the outhouses? The barnyards? Every family kept animals, and Grandmother used to say there was a manure pile by every farmhouse door — with the size of the pile directly reflecting the prosperity of the family.

Maybe it doesn't matter. Roots are at least partly in the mind. Playwright Arthur Miller once tried to visit his father's birthplace in Poland. He found three villages with the right name — and not one where he thought it should be. He decided not to visit any, rather than risk seeing the wrong one.

But I don't think it would have made any difference, emotionally.

The best part of family is the emotional continuity, the memories. And isn't that a warm thought now and all year round?

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Window shopping

The winner of the Hill's window display contest is: (fanfare ... flourish ... ta-daaaa) Something Special.

For the second year in a row, Hill employees voted on the best-decorated windows of the holiday season.

Tassels was second. Johnston & Johnston won for the best business window, with Higbie-Maxon coming in second.

Ed Lazar of State Farm and Liz Marande of The Concord Group organized the contest.

Life: The perfect gift

Saving lives and savoring music are compatible this season. It's all part of the American Red Cross' special Save-A-Life Sundays program, cosponsored by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and WQRS-FM.

The first 450 people who donate blood at a Red Cross donor center on Sunday, Dec. 27, and Sunday, Jan. 3, will receive a pair of vouchers for a Detroit Symphony Orchestra concert. Each voucher is good for one

ticket to any February performance, except Saturday evening concerts.

Eight donor centers will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. both Sundays. The one closest to Grosse Pointe is the Roseville Donor Center, 17955 E. 11 Mile (east of Gratiot, north of I-696.)

"During the holidays, blood donations often drop sharply," said A. William Shafer, M.D., senior principal officer for the Southeastern Michigan Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "To meet the needs of patients in southeastern Michigan on a daily basis, Red Cross needs to collect 1,000 pints of blood. Save-A-Life Sundays follow two days when Red Cross is not able to collect any blood."

DSO' vouchers are redeemable in person at the Orchestra Hall box office or by mail.

To make an appointment to donate blood, call 1-800-582-4383. Walk-ins are welcome, too.

Margie Reins Smith

Kids' favorites

During November, children were asked to nominate their favorite book at the Detroit Public Library's children's library. More than 1,250 children cast ballots.

The most popular: "The Art Lesson" by Tomi DePaola, a story about a young boy who learns the art of being an artist from his teacher at school.

Other favorites, in order of popularity:

- "The Witches" by Dahl
- "Decisions" by Pascal
- "Where the Sidewalk Ends" by Silverstein
- "The Light in the Attic" by Silverstein
- "Follow the Drinking Gourd" by Winthrop
- "The Ghosts of Now" by Nixon
- "The Giving Tree" by Silverstein
- "Last Act" by Pike
- "Superfudge" by Blume.

Rotary selling entertainment book

The Harper Woods Rotary Club is selling the 1993 Entertainment Book as a fundraiser in addition to fruit cakes and cream cheese pound cakes.

The 3-pound fruit cake is \$9.50 and the pound cake in a canister is \$7.50.

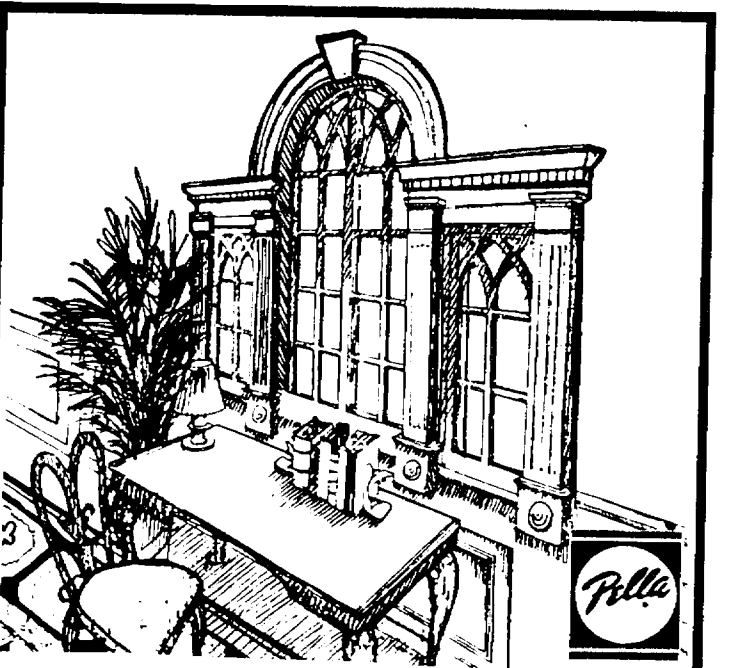
The items are available at the Eastland Center Barber Shop and the Tinder Box in the

Eastland Mall; Squier Sash & Screen, 19617 Harper at Alford; Godfrey, Hammond, Daniels & Co., 21420 Mack near 8 Mile in St. Clair Shores; and the Alfred Thoms Insurance Agency, 36385 Harper between 15 and 16 mile roads in Clinton Township.

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Christmas — keep your bahs

Anyone who knows me, knows you don't mess with me at Christmas! This is my time. I love Christmas and I don't care who knows it.

I can appreciate the fact that the holiday season can evoke unhappy memories for some and for that I am truly sorry, but please, grant me some slack when you start your bah-humbugging. I don't want to hear it! There is so much to be joyful about that I don't suffer Scrooges lightly; a few days is all I ask. If my own children can look the other way when I go a little nutty, my friends can too.

For most of us the holidays are a time for reunions and familiar traditions. Families come together around the world. They wait in long lines at airports and train stations and battle snowy roads to come home to loved ones. Songs and poems are written about these gatherings and it would seem that there is no other time of year for family celebrations that holds as much significance as the holidays.

For some, the emphasis on togetherness during this season is simply too stressful and there are conscious efforts on the parts of those vulnerable to avoid reunions. Plans are scheduled well in advance to change the scenery to a new venue with new players. I respect those who must deal with this time with uncomplicated choices. However, at this time of my life, I shall continue to rejoice in the season by following old patterns.

Somewhere in the second week of December, I start bringing cartons of decorations up from the basement. When my husband trips over them and realizes that the process is about to begin, he joins in and we attack the house with a vengeance.

The discs and tapes come out of the bottom drawer where they have been dormant for 11 months, and the music flows. Our tastes are eclectic, everything from Pavarotti to Snoopy's Christmas. Around the clock James Galway or the Mormon Tabernacle Choir urge us on to the chores at hand.

Bannisters are strung with garlands of greenery and fruit, doorway arches are festooned with ribbons and greens and miniature lights are applied. The creche from our first Christmas is in its place on the mantel and the gold paper star from the five and dime is still watching over the manger scene.

Through the years additions have been made, but the bulk of the decorations has remained the same with a little refurbishing now and then. Mr. and Mrs. Claus are sprinkled about the house in the form of pillows and childhood paintings; reindeer greet guests in the hall; nutcrackers and angels recline in varying positions throughout and other Christmas "clutter" gathered through the years is in evidence for two or three brief weeks a year.

Holiday china, festive tins for baked goods, coffee mugs and an assortment of "stuff" is resurrected once a year. And then there is the matter of poinsettias. I don't like poinsettias — except at Christmas, and then I must have them in all colors, in baskets around the house. After the first of the year, when they begin to be rangy, I loathe poinsettias.

However, I have this thing about not being able to throw out anything with a semblance of life left. Please, someone, volunteer to throw them out when I'm not looking. I promise not to ask questions. In the interim they will be cleverly blended with clumps of assorted azaleas, cyclamen and other flora.

Christmas, I love it. It is a time for a birthday celebration extraordinaire! The holidays provide a splendid reason for all emotions to bubble up and be released. Spoil people, drown in the music, glory in the beauty of the churches and the scenes around you. Rejoice in the reverence and joy of the season.

— Offering from the loft

Shakespeare or check-balancing?

To the Editor:

Hurrah, another panacea for our educational woes. A class without textbooks, quizzes and a final exam.

Even in the supposedly academic-oriented Grosse Pointe School System we have been invaded by barbarians who pride themselves on their detestation of the liberal arts.

Has our educational system declined to such an extent that teaching children the art of checkbook balancing supersedes the study of geometry, physics and Shakespeare?

I've lived in Grosse Pointe Park for nine years, have had five children attend the Grosse Pointe School System and the one complaint that I've harbored all these years is that the curriculum was not demanding enough.

Apparently the trend is in the opposite direction. I

wonder, "Is this foisted on us or are we as a community demanding this kind of education?"

If our children can't perform the tasks as proposed by the two South High teachers after spending twelve years in our school system, it is time for an overhaul of the entire system. Denigrating philosophy while advocating the development of a set of personal ethics is an example of the misguided nonsense that appeared in the Dec. 10 front page article regarding a new course at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Mediocrity rather than excellence has seized the day. The continual increase in school taxes permits the introduction of non-academic courses under the pretense that the outside world requires new skills in order that our graduates may "pay the bills."

What is really required out there is the ability to

read, write, calculate and express oneself clearly and logically. We should not have to introduce these "pablum" courses if we are doing the job we're supposed to be doing in the core courses.

Our international competitors certainly will be happy to hear about our latest addition to the new competitive curriculum at Grosse Pointe High.

Maybe it's time for all of us to reflect on the definition of education and whether the current Grosse Pointe educational establishment is meeting our expectations.

What are our expectations? Are we expecting too much or too little from our educators? Should Shakespeare or check-balancing be required of all Grosse Pointe graduates?

Edward T. Gramling
Grosse Pointe
Outraged

To the Editor:

I am outraged. The

schools can have displays of Hanukkah. The schools can teach about Moslem and Buddhist (I believe these cultures are all based on religion).

Let's make everyone happy except the Christians — we have to be satisfied with Santa Claus.

Just as there are German Jews and Polish Jews, there are German Christians and Polish Christians.

I'm tired of being made to feel guilty about being Christian, being white, wearing fur, eating meat, and having just a little more than the average.

Sharyn A. Mannino
Grosse Pointe Farms

Yard gear stolen

A yellow, gas-powered heavy-duty lawn edger and a red, gas-powered leaf blower were stolen from a garage in the 200 block of McKinley in Grosse Pointe Farms sometime between 6 p.m. Nov. 22 and 3 p.m. Nov. 26.

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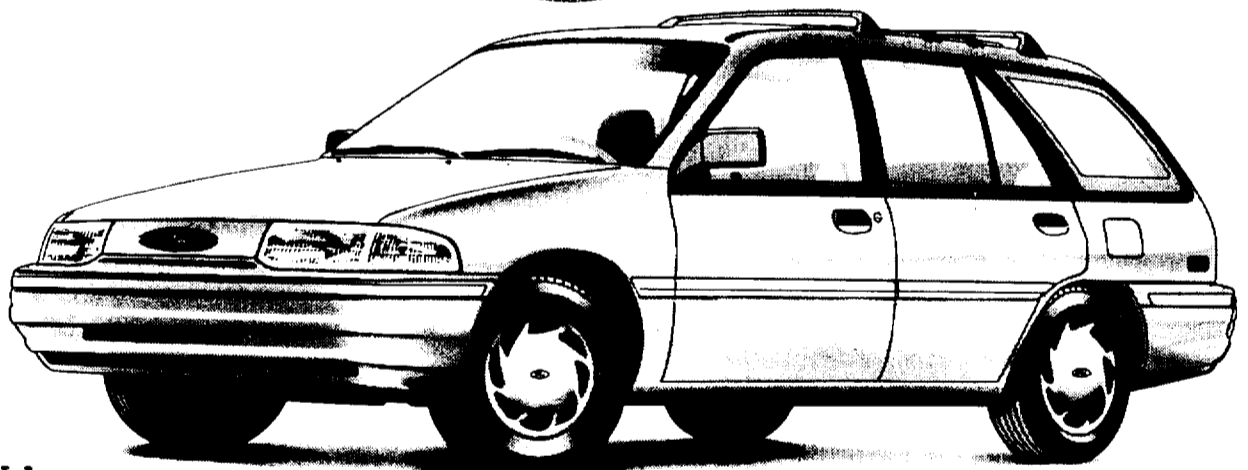


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Pointe pair to become Eagles

By Donna Walker
Staff Writer

Helping a nature center and a nursing home/children's day-care facility has, in turn, helped two Grosse Pointe youths to be named Eagle Scouts in January.

The two boys — Nelson Mitchell, 15, of Grosse Pointe Farms, and John O'Loughlin, 17, of Grosse Pointe Park — are members of Boy Scout Troop No. 96 of Grosse Pointe.

To achieve Eagle recognition — the highest rank bestowed by the Boy Scouts of America — a scout must, among other things, design and complete a project of lasting benefit to a community organization.

Mitchell, the son of Robert L. and Lillian Mitchell, designed a two-fold project to benefit visitors to Seven Ponds Nature Center in Dryden, about an hour north of Detroit.

Owned by the Michigan Audubon Society, Seven Ponds is a 250-acre nature preserve with several miles of trails. Visitors can see many different types of wildlife in the park's ponds, fields, wetlands, and prairie-like areas.

Most of the trails dead-end, and visitors often got confused because the trails weren't marked.

For his Eagle project, Mitchell — with the help of 15 volunteers from his troop — cleared away brush and created a wood-chip-lined pathway to connect two previously dead-end trails. They also built and installed about 10 wooden map markers at trail junctions in the park.

Mitchell, who is a sophomore at University Liggett School, started planning his project in March, and he and his helpers — including his father — blazed the connecting trail during one day in June. They returned in August to install the markers.

"I had heard about Seven Ponds," Mitchell said, "and I wanted to do something outdoors, where the demand was great."

Mike Champagne, director of Seven Ponds, said about 20,000 people, most of whom are schoolchildren, visit the nature preserve each year.

The park, which includes a nature center building with exhibits and a library, supports itself through entry fees and memberships. The new trail and markers were necessary, but the park had difficulty making the improvements due to time and labor constraints, Champagne said.

Mitchell said he was prepared to hold fundraisers to buy materials for the project, but when a volunteer group at the nature center heard what he was going to do, it raised the money for him.

Also, local hardware and lumber stores donated materials for the project, Mitchell said.

"The two trails that were dead-end trails make a lot more sense now that they've been connected," Champagne said. "And the trail markers are really great, because once people were out on the trails, they wouldn't know where they were, even though they'd be carrying maps."

Besides scouting, Mitchell's interests include running, drama, journalism, hiking, photography, old-car restoration, snow and water skiing, and sailing.

Non-resident library fees increased

The Grosse Pointe board of education, serving as the board of library trustees, voted Dec. 7 to increase non-resident library card fees to \$35 effective Jan. 1, 1993. The need for further fee increases will be re-evaluated in 1994.

For a number of years the Grosse Pointe Public Library has issued library cards for a \$25 fee to non-residents. In 1991-92, 152 non-resident cards were issued.

The current \$25 fee has not been reviewed in recent years. Several other libraries in the metropolitan Detroit area, including Dearborn and St. Clair Shores, now charge \$50 for a non-resident card. Harper Woods Public Library currently charges \$32.



Nelson Mitchell

Last year, he earned his varsity letter in track and field at ULS, took second place in his age group during the Cottage Hospital Fun Run, and had a role in the ULS production of "The Sound of Music."

This year, he received his varsity letter in cross-country at ULS and has a small part in the school's production of "Oklahoma!"

He has been a staff writer on his high school newspaper since 1991, and is currently its arts and entertainment editor.

Mitchell said he wants to pursue a career in either English or journalism, and that he's interested in being a news commentator, like Peter Jennings.

O'Loughlin, the son of Charles and Mary Louise O'Loughlin, designed and built four wooden bookshelves and two easels for St. Joseph's Home for the Aged and St. Joseph's Little Blessings Child Care Center, both located on Cadieux in Detroit.

The two-tier bookshelves can be moved from room to room, and were designed to be accessible to people in wheelchairs and small children.

The easels, which have a wide ledge to hold paints and drawing materials, can be used by children and adults to create artwork. Also, posters advertising events, such as the seniors' Christmas bazaar, can be displayed on the easels.

A junior at Grosse Pointe South High School, O'Loughlin said he likes woodworking and wanted to incorporate that interest into his Eagle project.

He came up with the idea of building book shelves, and then contacted different nursing homes to see which facility could use them the most.

After he selected St. Joseph's and Little Blessings, and after he received permission from the two facilities and scout leaders to proceed with his project, he contacted local hardware and lumber stores. Some of the stores donated materials for the project, and some let O'Loughlin purchase items at a discount, he said.

O'Loughlin started his project in April, and it took about 150 hours to complete. Helping him with the project were members from his troop, including his brothers Tim, 15, and Charles, 18, who became an Eagle Scout last year.

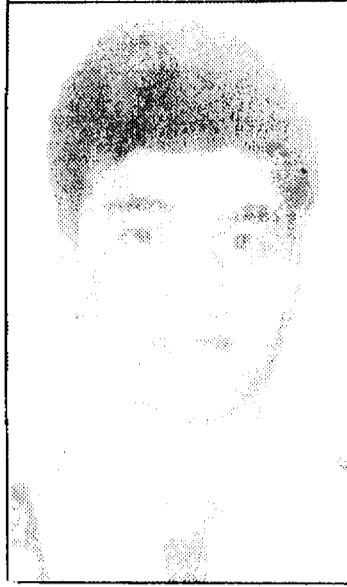
A member of the cross-country and track teams at Grosse

Pointe South, O'Loughlin is a senior altar boy at St. Clare of Montefalco Church in Grosse Pointe Park, and a member of its youth group. He also helps the homeless through a volunteer group at the church.

This week, he was inducted into the National Honor Society at South, and last year he received the Ben Marsh Award for Outstanding Citizenship from his Boy Scout troop.

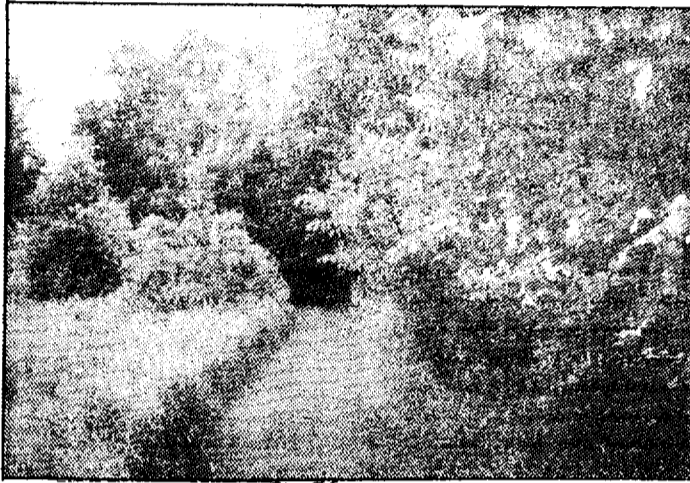
He has also received the Ad Altare Dei Catholic Religious medal, and has earned 58 Boy Scout merit badges.

Both O'Loughlin and Mitchell said they have been in scouting for many years, and stuck with it because they like the camping and leadership opportunities scouting offers. They said they have made lasting friendships through scouting, and that they especially like going on "High Adventures" each year.



John O'Loughlin

High Adventures are trips that include challenges, such as hiking and white-water rafting. This year, Troop 96, which meets at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, plans to hold its "High Adventure" in Arizona, the boys said.



This the the trail that Mitchell blazed.



O'Loughlin pieces together a bookcase, while a completed one waits to be varnished.

Radar detector stolen from car

A radar detector was stolen from a silver, two-door 1986 Pontiac Firebird that was parked in the Grosse Pointe North High School parking lot on Dec. 10.

The theft occurred between 8:55 p.m. and 9:10 p.m., and the driver's side window was broken when the owner returned to the car.

Woods woman dies in blaze

An 86-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods woman died in a fire at her home in the 1000 block of South Brys on Friday, Dec. 18.

Cpl. Thomas Podeszwick, the Woods' fire inspector, said a caller alerted the Woods public safety department to the fire just after 7 a.m.

The Woods dispatched its two fire trucks and advanced life support ambulance, and Grosse Pointe Shores, responding to the Woods' mutual aid call, sent a fire truck and several firefighters, Podeszwick said.

Firefighters found the victim who was alone when the fire broke out — in a front bedroom, and she was taken to St. John Hospital, where she was pronounced dead, Podeszwick said. The cause of death appears to have been smoke inhalation, he said.

The fire started on a couch in the living room, and the preliminary investigation indicates it was caused by careless smoking, Podeszwick said.

Firefighters extinguished the

blaze "almost immediately," he said, and left the scene about 8:10 a.m. No firefighters were injured in the blaze, he said.

—Donna Walker

Check forged

A man who lives in the 1000 block of South Brys in Grosse Pointe Woods told police Dec. 2 that someone had stolen one of his checks and forged his signature.

He said he didn't know the check had been stolen until he received his latest bank statement and found that a \$400 debit that he had not authorized had been charged to his account.

He said a woman cashed the check at a store on Mack at Hillcrest, and that her name was not familiar to him.

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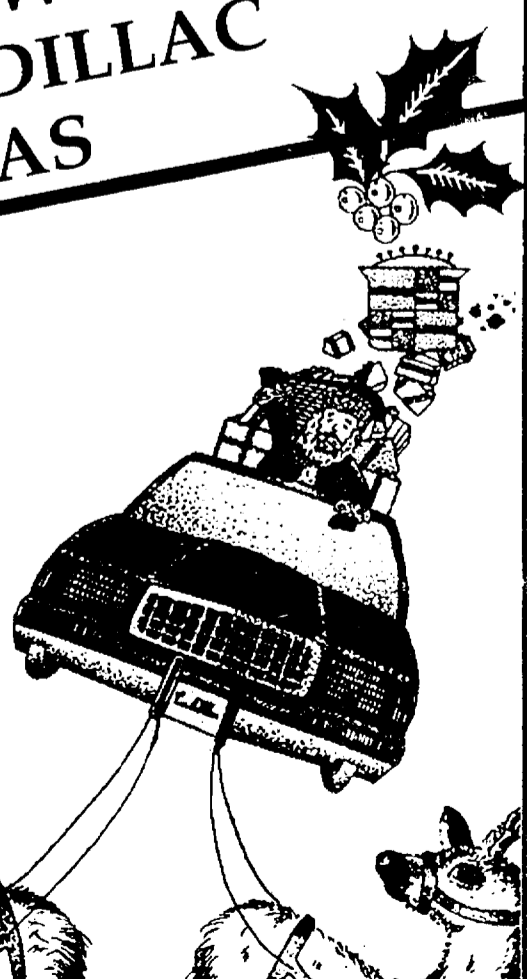
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Couple of classy cars to consider for gift-giving

We first met at a resort; the Radisson on the Lake, on the outskirts of Ypsilanti. It was August; the sky was gray, the temperature mild. Not a memorable day, really, except for this first up-close encounter following a press conference and lunch.

Attractive profile; dressed in a rich, subtle color; quiet but confident manners; air of success without boastfulness. The seeds of longing were sown.

The private rendezvous was finally set for early December. Then it looked like I had been stood up when I asked to wait yet another day. When the moment actually arrived, not wanting to look too out of place, I stuffed my winter accessories in my pocket: one lavender acrylic mitten and one beige knit glove for the left hand. It was after dark. Perhaps no one would notice that we weren't exactly made for one another. It was leather against a plain cloth car coat. It was a solid sleek exterior brushing against middle-aged legs encased in support hose.

It was soft music in quiet elegance, a holder for a cup, seats always set the way you like them, a well-proportioned handle for changing gears. It was a Lexus SC400 in the hands of an auto writer who many days didn't carry enough money to buy it the premium gas it demands.

It was a super-sleek, torpedo-shaped graphite gray coupe drawing admiring glances and remarks from other Saturday Christmas shoppers parked in the lot behind Richard Elementary School. It was transportation for a "liberal" clutching a dozen past-their-peak yellow roses, somewhat embarrassed to be unlocking and climbing into a vehicle that costs \$41,400.

The SC400 followed its older sibling, the LS400, onto the market in 1991 as a '92 model.

The current model is pre-wired for the new optional Lexus "Portable Plus" personal communications system. The Motorola Micro Tac available

serves as voice-activated cellular telephone in the car and also can be removed and used as a portable phone, Toyota said.

Not in the gilded-lily department is the addition of a passenger-side airbag, standard on all '93s.

Under the hood of the refined-looking luxury coupe is a quiet and capable four-cam, 32-valve 250-horsepower V-8, able to push this Lexus from zero to 60 mph in 6.9 seconds, considerably less time than it will take you to phone your broker and order "sell!" to get the 40-grand you'll need for the purchase.

Toyota said the SC400 is "faster off the start line than the 400 sedan" because it has lower gearing of the differential and electronically-controlled transmission.

Leather seats are standard. A power tilt-telescopic steering wheel raises and lowers itself as the ignition is turned off and on. The front-seat programmable memory system can recall two positions.

Some things we especially liked: no irritating glare of headlights in the rearview mirror; the power walk-in front passenger seat that moves forward electrically for easy access to the back, and an amazing rear deck lid (a.k.a., trunk lid) that catches as soon as it touches the body of the car. No slamming necessary. How'd they do that?

As for the affair, it didn't last. We parted after only a few days, citing differences of lifestyles. Relationships based on such materialism don't stand much chance for longevity. But I still have my lavender acrylic mitten and the beige glove, plus memories of a pleasant fling.

Yule love it

Looking for a little different Christmas gift for your car-collecting significant other?

Don't want a Duesenberg or a Bugatti or a Rolls-Royce? A little too expensive? And you want something modern



By Jenny King

Autos

enough to drive? How about a 1957 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham? It won't be cheap, but its price is measured in thousands, not millions, of dollars.

"This was Cadillac's answer to the Rolls-Royce, the most expensive car Cadillac ever built," said Greg Wallace, an employee of EDS, a car collector and a volunteer guide at Cadillac's museum housed in the Albert Kahn-designed Clark Street plant.

The 1957 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham was the most magnificent machine of the fabulous '50s, a four-door hardtop with brushed stainless steel roof, suicide rear doors and just about every option ever conceived and then some. The one on display at the museum is owned by Al Haas, senior service engineer at Cadillac responsible for publications, such as owner's manuals.

"I consider it a modern-day Duesenberg, or the post-war equivalent of the great V-16 Cadillacs of the '30s," said Haas. "This car sold for \$13,700 at a time when a Cadillac coupe sold for around \$5,000."

Wallace said that "in fact, it cost Cadillac more than twice the sticker price to build, about \$27,000. That's more than the Rolls-Royce that year."

The Eldorado Brougham, designed by Ed Glowacke, was probably aimed more at Lincoln's beautiful Continental Mark II introduced as a '56 model and priced at around \$10,000. But with a delivered price of \$13,700 (and a bargain at that), the Eldorado

Brougham was definitely in the Rolls-Royce class. Jack Teahan, a senior editor at Automotive News and an expert on automotive pricing, said that in January 1958, the price of a Rolls-Royce was \$13,250.

The '57 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham was perhaps the epitome of the '50s era of automotive excess, the most insolent of the insolent chariots, the happiest of the Happy Days cars.

What made this Cadillac so fantastic? It looks longer and lower than other '57s because it was lower, which made it look longer. The body is 216 inches long on a wheelbase of 126 inches and only 55.5 inches high.

"There is not a panel on the car that is interchangeable with other Cadillacs of that model year," Haas said. Its front-hinged, rear-opening hood was exclusive, as were its "suicide" rear doors. ("Suicide" doors are doors hung from the rear and opened at the front, not unusual in the '30s but very rare since World War II.)

"All seams were leaded, so none are visible except where something actually opened," Haas said. "The stainless steel roof was actually made of three pieces, but you cannot tell where they were joined."

A production car which was based on and included features of a couple of General Motors show cars of the early '50s, the Park Avenue and the Orleans, the Cadillac Eldorado Brougham featured a number of industry firsts.

It was the first car to have

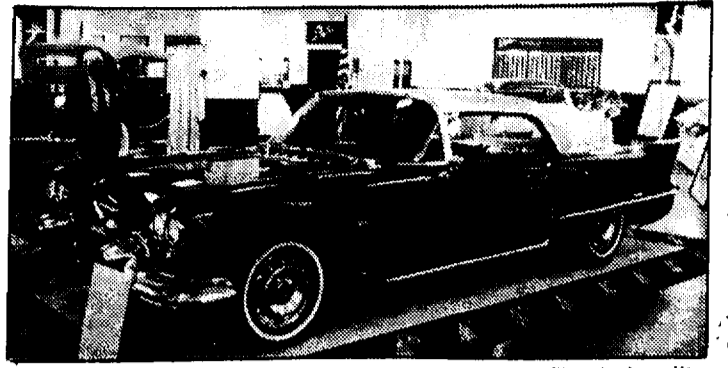


Photo by Jenny King

Al Haas' black four-door hardtop '57 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham with brushed stainless roof and owner's kit containing silver tumblers, Arpege perfume and various dispensers.

four headlamps, with separate pairs of low-beam and high-beam units. This feature, which struck many at the time as silly, quickly became the industry standard and still is.

Other features included power windows, power door locks which locked automatically as the car got under way, the Autronic Eye (an automatic headlight dimmer), polarized sun visors, individually controlled front and rear heating, cruise control, an automatic signal-seeking twin-speaker radio with power antenna, low-profile thin whitewall tires, power adjustable front seat with memory and a trunk lid that could be opened electrically from the dashboard.

Some features remained exclusive to the Eldorado Brougham. For example, the rear side windows went back automatically when the door was opened, then closed automatically when the door was closed to make entry easier.

Another feature that did not become an industry standard was the car's innovative air suspension system, which employed air bags instead of springs or torsion bars to keep the car level and the ride smooth. And they did. Motorists and passengers were surprised to sit in the seat, then be gently lifted as the bags — with a deep, throaty sigh — restored the car to its proper level. Unfortunately,

the bags would sometimes leak and the suspension still causes headaches for collectors.

But there are many other reasons for collectors to be interested in this car. For one thing, only 704 were produced in 1957 and 1958, when it was discontinued. A good '57 or '58 Eldorado Brougham will fetch upwards of \$30,000, according to Old Car Weekly's Price Guide.

The 325-horsepower V-8 engine gave it plenty of performance punch with its two four-barrel carburetors and 10-to-1 compression ratio. In the '58 model, carburetion was changed to three two-barrel units, the forerunner of the Tri-Power setup used in many GM muscle cars in the '60s.

Inside, the buyer had a choice of 44 full leather and trim combinations, including choices for carpeting of Mouton, Karakul or lambskin.

Interior equipment included cigarette and tissue dispensers, silver magnetic glovebox drink tumblers, lady's compact with powder puff and leather notebook and, what was perhaps the most unusual feature of any automobile, an atomizer filled with Arpege perfume.

Teahan said an engineer at the GM Tech Center said of the Eldorado Brougham: "If you ever get hit in one, don't call a mechanic, call an electrician."

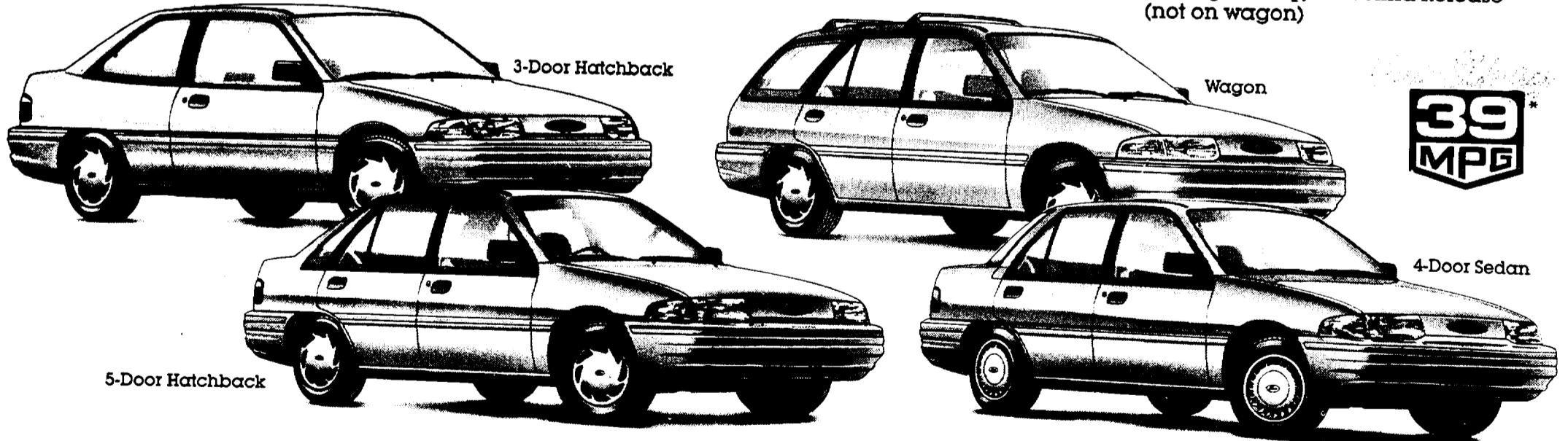
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Gertrude Grow Powers

Services were held Dec. 18 at the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods for Gertrude Grow Powers, 93, of Grosse Pointe Woods, who died of a stroke on Dec. 17, 1992, at her home.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Powers was a 1920 graduate of the University of Michigan and was a member of the Lochmoor Club, Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Bull; a son, Robert F. Powers; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Burial was in White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Melody M. Spalding

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 27, in the chapel of St. James Episcopal Church on Grosse Ile, for Melody M. Spalding, 85, of Grosse Ile and Tuscon, Ariz., and formerly of Grosse Pointe, who died Dec. 7, 1992 at Wyandotte General Hospital.

Born in Clare, Mrs. Spalding was a hematologist at Harper Hospital, director of the Detroit Orthopedic Clinic and a member of the Sigma Gamma Association. She is survived by a son, Edward E. Spalding of New Jersey; daughters, Florence S. Sharp of Commerce Township and Harriett S. Hanchett of New York; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Dr. Edward Dean Spalding.

Arrangements were made by the H.F. Thon Funeral Home in Wyandotte. The body was cremated. Burial services will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Animal Welfare Society, 29081 Dequindre, Suite E, Madison Heights, Mich. 48071.

Catherine Petz Thompson

A funeral Mass was held Wednesday, Dec. 23, in the William Hamilton Chapel in Birmingham, for Catherine Petz Thompson, 92, of Birmingham and formerly of Grosse Pointe, who died Dec. 18, 1992, at the Georgian Bloomfield Nursing Center.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Thompson was a homemaker and a volunteer with the St. Peter Society, the Jesuit Seminary Association and the Bon Secours Assistance League.

She is survived by her daughters, Mary A. Crowe of Birmingham and Catherine M. Thompson of Brookfield, Conn.; sons, the Rev. William G. Thompson of Chicago and Michael J. Thompson of Allentown, Pa.; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. Funeral Home in Birmingham. Burial was in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jesuit Seminary Association, 7303 West Seven Mile Road, Detroit, Mich. 48221.



Kenneth B. Hollidge Sr.

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Services were held Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church in Grosse Pointe Farms, for Kenneth B. Hollidge Sr., 79, of Grosse Pointe and West Palm Beach, Fla., who died of lung cancer Dec. 18, 1992, at St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Born in Millersburg, Mr. Hollidge was executive vice president of Detroit-based Snyder Corp., a leading designer and builder of special machines that was sold to Giddings and Lewis in 1981. After serving in the U.S. Army, he joined Snyder as director of personnel. He worked in that capacity until 1947, when Snyder purchased the Arthur Colton Co., a manufacturer of pharmaceutical equipment. At that time he was named executive vice president of Snyder, a position he held until his retirement in 1981.

Mr. Hollidge was Snyder's representative to the National Machine Tool Builders Association for many years. When the Arthur Colton Co. was part of Snyder, he served for two years as president of the National Packaging Machinery Institute. He also was a member of the Albion College board of trustees and was past president of the Detroit Advisory Board of the Salvation Army. He belonged to the Detroit Athletic Club, Lochmoor Club, West Palm Beach Club and Quail Ridge Country Club. He is past president of the Grosse Pointe Methodist Church board of trustees.

He is survived by his sons, Ken Jr., Craig and Gary; a daughter, Carol Sussex; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Helen DeYoe. He was predeceased by his wife, Dorothy. Arrangements were made by the Chas. Verheyden Inc. Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park. Entombment was in White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to Albion College, Hollidge Scholarship Fund, Albion, Mich. 49224, or to Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church Organ Fund, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. 48236.

Archie G. Weidemann

Services were held Monday, Dec. 21, 1992, at the Chas. Verheyden Inc. Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Park, for Archie G. Weidemann, 69, of Grosse Pointe City, who died Dec. 17, 1992, at the St. John-Bon Secours Senior Community Center in Detroit.

Born in Lancing, Tenn., Mr. Weidemann is survived by his sisters-in-law, Anna and Catherine Weidemann and several nieces and nephews. Burial was in Gethsemane Cemetery in Detroit.

Alice (Griffith) Hawley

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m., Dec. 28, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods for Alice (Griffith) Hawley, 81, of Grosse Pointe Woods, who died Monday, Dec. 21, 1992, at Henry Ford Continuing Care-Belmont Center in Harper Woods.

Born in Woodgate, N.Y., Mrs. Hawley was employed by the U.S. government in Washington, D.C., for a number of years before relocating to Grosse Pointe in 1943. She is survived by her husband, Everett M. Hawley Jr.; a son, Everett III of Pleasant Lake; seven grandchildren; three sisters and a brother. She was predeceased by three brothers and a sister.

Her body was cremated and her ashes will be buried in St. Michael's Memorial Garden. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 17251 W. 12 Mile, Southfield, Mich. 48076.

Coletta Novetzke

Services were held Dec. 19 in Verona, Wis. for Coletta Novetzke of Grosse Pointe City, who died Dec. 15, 1992 at Bon Secours Hospital in Grosse Pointe City.

Born in Verona, Mrs. Novetzke was employed for many years as a secretary to the director of medical education at Bon Secours. She is survived by several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Charles (Ole).

Arrangements were made by the Gunderson Funeral Home in Oregon, Wis. Burial was in Resurrection Cemetery in Madison, Wis. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Walter H. Brey

Services were held Dec. 16 at the A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods for Walter H. Brey, 65, of Grosse Pointe Woods, who died Dec. 12, 1992, at his home.

Born in Detroit, Mr. Brey graduated from Grosse Pointe High School, served in the U.S. Air Force and later earned an engineering degree from the Detroit Institute of Technology. He was a manufacturer's representative for the steel industry. He was a member of the Engineering Society of Detroit, the American Legion and several industrial associations.

He is survived by his wife, Mary (Lintner) Brey; a daughter, Lisa Gage; a son, William Brey; one grandchild; a sister and his mother, Aurelia Brey.

The body was cremated. Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Rentenbach memorial planned

Grosse Pointe South High School students, faculty, parents and friends are invited to share in a memorial celebration on Monday, Jan. 4, in honor of Eric Rentenbach.

The 1992 Student Association president died in September from complications of muscular dystrophy. Despite nearly total physical handicaps, Rentenbach's unique and joyous outlook on life was, and continues to be, an inspiration to those who

knew him.

The general format for the celebration will be a type of "friends" meeting. This unstructured, yet organized program, will allow for full audience participation. Stories, events and serious notes will be shared openly.

The celebration will be held in the auditorium at Grosse Pointe South at 3:30 p.m. For more information, call Bonnie Levitan mornings, at 343-2368.

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Gifts

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Dec. 26 - Dec. 30

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Photo by Terri Hooper

Hi, hi, hi!

The larger-than-life Santa, on the lawn of the Eldridge home on Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores, can be spotted from a distance. At night, the roly-poly gent is lit up.

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Year end

From page 1
couldn't find a way to erase a \$7.7 million deficit.

February

Grosse Pointe Cable announced that it would begin construction on its new state-of-the-art studios in spring with completion set for December. They didn't quite make the December date. Although some of the rooms are in use, look for a grand opening in March.

University Liggett School's headmaster G. Gary Ripple announced he would resign in June. The board began a search for a replacement. Ripple had been with the school since 1989.

Pointe voters narrowly approved the school district's request to renew its 27.55 operating mills. The district heard the implied message and pledged to be "very very careful in our spending." The library's 1.3 mills also were approved.

A 31-year-old Grosse Pointe Park woman died in a house fire which authorities believe was started by a smoldering cigarette.

Students from North and South high schools asked the school board to ban all smoking — including lighting up by teachers — at all schools. The board listened and banned students from smoking on school grounds, but the union contract prevented similar restrictions on teachers.

Once again, residents expressed their discontent at Edison's less-than-aesthetic tree trimming, and were told "safety is our main concern" by Edison spokesmen.

March

Woods residents were informed about a sloping sewer that would be installed along Cook Road in Grosse Pointe Woods to help alleviate pollution in the Milk River. It's all part of the Milk River cleanup project which got under way earlier in the year.

The Grosse Pointe News launched The Connection, a newspaper covering St. Clair Shores and Harper Woods. It made its debut March 5.

Violence erupted at a teen party leaving two youngsters wounded, one in critical condi-

tion after he was beaten over the head with a baseball bat.

The Grosse Pointe Farms department of public safety dragged itself into the 20th century by purchasing its first computer system.

SMART announced that a fiscal plan which included cuts in all departments and new sources of revenue would keep the bus system going until June 1993.

Grosse Pointe Park sold a lot on Jefferson near Pemberton to a developer who removed the closed Unocal station and will develop it into an office complex. The Unocal station has been demolished, but work has yet to begin on the new buildings.

Not surprisingly, George Bush won the most Pointe votes in the Republican primary and Paul Tsongas, who dropped out of the campaign weeks earlier, won the most votes in the Democratic primary. Upstart Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton came in a distant second, barely beating Californian Jerry Brown. Pointe Republicans outnumbered Pointe Democrats by more than 3 to 1.

April

Two teenagers charged with the February 1990 murder of Farms businessman Benjamin Gravel were made wards of the state until they turn 21. Of the six teens who ambushed Gravel because they wanted his car to go to a party, none would serve a day in jail.

The state Supreme Court rejected a gerrymandered Wayne County board of commissioners' redistricting plan that would have separated Grosse Pointe Park from the other four Pointes, diluting the power of all the Pointes. The Park remained with the other Pointes.

State Sen. John Kelly announced he would run for Congress against longtime incumbent John Conyers.

Three Grosse Pointe Shores residents were among 14 people arrested by U.S. marshals and the FBI for conducting an illegal gambling operation.

Extensive restoration and renovation began on the Grosse Pointe Woods city hall to make it more efficient and to give it

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Photo by Dale Pegg

In Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "Sly Fox," the comedy opening Jan. 20, Simon Able (Dean Gaboury) suspects trickery from his conniving boss, Foxwell J. Sly (Anthony Amato).

'Sly Fox' to open Jan. 20

Following a highly successful run of its opening show, "Nunsense," Grosse Pointe Theatre will present "Sly Fox," a Broadway hit comedy by Larry Gelbart, author of M*A*S*H*.

The show opens Wednesday, Jan. 20, and runs each evening through Jan. 30, except for Monday, Jan. 25. "Sly Fox" is a farce set in turn-of-the-century San Francisco. With the connivance of his servant, the rich but insatiably greedy Foxwell J. Sly finds his chief delight in pretending to be on his death bed and in observing his fair-weather friends as they bring him more gold, each of them led to believe he is Sly's sole heir.

Playing the treacherous Sly is Anthony Amato. Attending the trickster's "deathbed" is his equally conniving servant, Simon Able, acted by Dean Gaboury.

Appearing as victims will be Joe LoGuidice (the unctuous Lawyer Craven); John Diebel (Jethro Crouch, a crafty old miser); and Clarke Scholes (Abner Truckle, a frenetic and jealous accountant).

Donna DiSante (Miss Fancy) will be seen as a hard-working lady of easy virtue. Madeline Alexander (Mrs. Truckle) plays the luscious wife who is impervious to seduction.

Others in the cast are Al Lombardini Jr. (Captain

Crouch); Carroll McBride (chief of police); Mike Ustick (Judge Bastardson); Al Lombardini Sr. (court clerk); and Geoff Proven, Larry White and Jennifer Poat (servants).

The production will be directed by Sal DeMercurio. Production staff includes Marcia Proven, producer; Terri Turpin-Amato, stage manager; Rick Fisher, technical director; and Kathy Conlon, set designer.

Other staff members are Marie Boyle, costumes; Blair Arden, lighting; Donna DiSante and Carol Ann Samuel, makeup; Gerylann Arden and Gretchen Morris-Archinal, properties; Kathy Conlon and Gwenn Samuel, set dressing; Stephanie Samuel, sound; and Don Adzagian, assistant stage manager.

Performances are at 8 p.m., except Sunday, Jan. 24, at 7 p.m. The show will be performed at Fries Auditorium in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore.

Tickets are \$10. Special group rates are available for Tuesday evenings only. The War Memorial also offers a candlelight buffet dinner for \$12.50 before most performances. For dinner reservations, call the War Memorial at 881-7511.

For information about tickets, call the Grosse Pointe Theatre at 881-4004. Tickets are also available for "Death of a Salesman" (March 3-13), "Rumors" (April 14-24), and "Mack and Mabel" (June 8-19).

Woods center plans theater trip

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center will sponsor a trip to the Fisher Theatre and Pegasus Restaurant on Saturday, Feb. 13, from 12:45 to 6:30 p.m. The cost, \$42.50, includes transportation, ticket and meal. The matinee performance is "Breaking Legs," a comedy with Karen Valentine, Gary Sandy and Larry Storch. For reservations, call 343-2408.



Need has no Season

City of Grosse Pointe Woods Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council, meeting as a Board of Appeals under the provisions of Section 5-14-1 of the 1975 City Code will meet in the Council-Court Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, on Monday, January 4, 1993, at 7:30 p.m., to hear the appeal of Dr. Robert DiPilla, 1990 Salisbury, St. Clair Shores, who is appealing the denial of the Building Inspector to issue a business license for Caffé Aroma, 20649 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods. The application was denied due to a deficiency in the amount of off-street parking as required in Section 5-3-16 (3f2) of the 1975 City Code. A variance is therefore required. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Louise S. Warnke
City Clerk

GPN: 12/24/92

City of Grosse Pointe Woods Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for second reading and final adoption at its meeting scheduled for January 4, 1992, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE VI, CHAPTER 15, SECTION 6-15-3(B) OF THE CITY CODE OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS OF 1975 TO PROVIDE FOR THE SCHEDULING OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SATELLITE DISH ANTENNAS.

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Register kids for storytime

Registration begins Jan. 4 for preschool and toddler storytimes at the Grosse Pointe public libraries.

Preschool storytimes are a weekly half-hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for children 3 to 5.

Storytimes are held at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Woods Branch, Wednesdays at Central Library, and Thursdays at the Park Branch. A 10:45 a.m. session has been added at Central.

Storytime sessions run from Feb. 2 through April 1. Parents or guardians are asked to remain in the library during the period.

Two-year-olds and their parents or guardians are invited to sign up for Toddler Time, 20 minutes of stories and fun. Toddler Time is held at 10:10 a.m.

at the Woods Branch and Central Library on Wednesdays and at the Park Branch on Tuesdays. Sessions run from Feb. 3-25.

For further information, call children's services at your branch: Central 343-2088; Park 343-2071; Woods, 343-2072.

Decorations stolen

A one-foot high reindeer with antlers, a 2-foot-high Christmas tree form made out of wire, and outdoor Christmas lights that had been strung in the bushes were stolen from the front yard of a house in the 200 block of Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms sometime between 10 p.m. Dec. 9 and 8 a.m. Dec. 10.

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Winter

From page 1

Winter technology and more spaces for people to sit and read quietly.

"Library expansion proposals have failed here. Twice," Sweeney said.

"Grosse Pointers have never fully invested in a library. Never built a library. The two ranches are contiguous to schools and the central library was a gift.

"My father proposed a fourth library facility in the mid-60s. It failed then."

On a hopeful note, Sweeney said he believes a large percentage of people in the community are still willing to work for library expansion. "This time, however, the groundswell must come from the community," he said.

"Impediments are financial. Grosse Pointers think they're already taxed enough. There's also the issue of greenspace and parking. The Brownell plan brought up the question of what to do with the central library building if the library moves out. And that, in turn, brought up concerns about the St. Clair building."

Sweeney grew up in Grosse Pointe with three sisters and his parents, Dr. Donald Sweeney Jr. and Mary Margaret Sweeney.

"I was close to both of my parents," he said.

He attended local elementary, junior high and high schools, but graduated from Cranbrook. He went off to Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in history and government.

After graduation, he came home.

"It bugged me to hear friends say they'd never come back to Grosse Pointe. Where are they now?" he said. "They're living in communities just like Grosse Pointe."

"I'm happy to be here. It's a wonderful place to be raised. A wonderful place to raise children. It's a caring, constructive community."

After college, Sweeney began working for City National Bank. He joined the National Bank of Detroit in 1984. He's second vice president of NBD's

trust division, where he administers some \$180 million in individual trust accounts.

Sweeney sees his involvement in the Friends as a way of returning a portion of what he has received from the community.

Friends supports the library staff with a \$65,000 budget, used for items and programs deemed too expensive for the library's budget — things like new furniture, books, computer equipment, racks for paperback books, maintenance of the aquarium in the central library and payment of a portion of a PR director's salary.

The Friends sponsors a Read Aloud program every spring — persuading local celebrities to share their favorite books by reading them aloud to youngsters. It co-sponsors a lecture series, bringing authors to the community. And it assists with the collection and distribution of books for children in the Gift of Reading program each December.

Sweeney currently serves on the library's advisory commit-

tee, which recently issued a report to the board of education recommending a reorganization plan for Grosse Pointe's libraries. The board is studying the plan and will respond in the next few months.

Sweeney reads more these days than he did when he was a youngster. He said he reads a lot of magazines and newspapers: Business Week, Forbes, the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and the Detroit Free Press.

The last two books he read were "Liar's Poker" by Michael M. Lewis and "The Firm" by John Grisham.

"My wife Candy reads to the children every night. Margaret is a voracious reader and she helps shelve books at Kerby School every morning. Andrew is involved in science.

"Candy is the light of my life," he said of his wife of 17 years. "We met June 15, 1973, at a deb party at the DAC. Yes, there were still deb parties in 1973. It was one of the last. I was a so-called 'eligible' young man, so I was invited."

Sweeney has also served on the board of the Friends of Bon Secours Hospital for four years, one year as president. And he recently completed a term on the Bon Secours Foundation, the parent organization for all volunteer groups at Bon Secours.

He serves on the vestry of Christ Church and is active in Leadership Detroit, a group of 65 people involved in a year-long study of Detroit's problems.

"We are studying housing, racism and diversity, education, the arts," Sweeney said. "We'll each spend four hours in a squad car; four hours with an EMS team. We'll finish in the spring with a recommendation on how Detroit can put forth a better image."

It's not just the future of Detroit he's concerned about, but the future of the whole area.

"We (in Grosse Pointe) are closely linked to the city," he said. "The suburbs need to help Detroit with its image. Detroit's problems have to be faced."



Photo by Margie Reins Smith

Donald N. Sweeney III lives with his wife Candy; three children: Margaret, 10; Andrew, 8; and Caroline, almost 4; and a black cockapoo, Torry.

Involvement in community organizations such as Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library and Friends of Bon Secours Hospital, he said, "gives me a chance to give back some of the things I've taken. Grosse Pointe is a caring, constructive community."

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Year-end

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an updated look. Kroger employees began a strike for better wages, more hours and better benefits. The strike lasted several weeks.

Construction began on Grosse Pointe Cable's new studio at the War Memorial.

The Grosse Pointe Farms council called for the other Pointes and Harper Woods to get involved in a project called Futuring. The project would determine a collective future for the Pointes, and institute plans now to ensure they reach that desired goal.

May

The boy who was beaten with a baseball bat at a party in March himself faced charges that he beat up a girl at the same party. His beating, authorities say, was in response to the alleged attack on the girl.

In keeping with its pledge to be "very, very careful" in its spending, the school board prepared to lay off 30 teachers and four administrators as it wrestled with balancing its 1992-93 school budget.

Futuring got under way at a meeting of Pointe and Harper Woods officials. They were introduced to the concept of Futuring and went back to their councils to discuss whether the project — which would cost each city \$5,000 in cash and \$5,000 in services — was worth the time and money.

Wayne County 1st District commissioner David Cavanagh announced he would run for the open county clerk position. So with three strong GOP contenders, and no Democratic incumbent, it looked like the Pointes had a chance for Republican representation on the board of commissioners for the first time in a decade.

Matthew H. Hanly, head of University Liggett School's middle school since 1989, was named ULS' new headmaster.

Grosse Pointe South's acting troupe was chosen to partici-

pate in the International Thespian Society's festival. The troupe was one of only 15 nationwide which performed at the festival. Their piece was a production of a farce called "The Nerd."

Grosse Pointe Woods told residents it would have to raise its millage rate if it were to continue its advanced emergency life support ambulance service. Residents would have a chance to vote on it in the August election.

June

The zebra mussels that have been invading Lake St. Clair quietly for years were being blamed for causing a greenish-black gel-like substance coating the shoreline and raising a horrendous stench. The blob was an algae bloom, a proliferation of algae which grew because the lake is clearer, thanks to the hungry mussels which eat other types of algae.

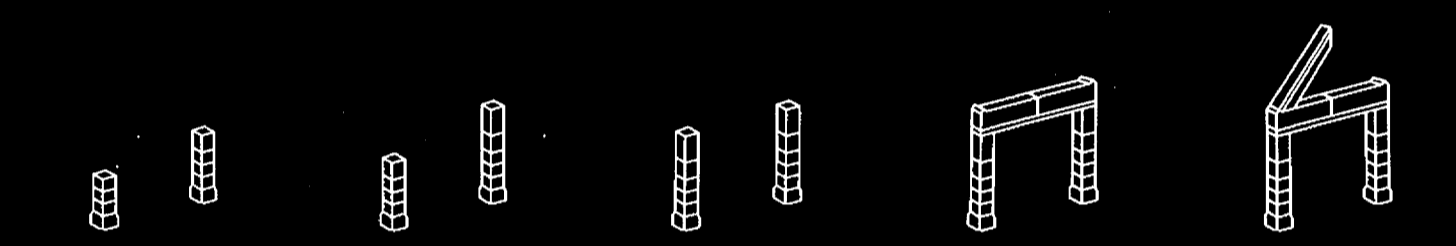
Work began on the Woods sewer, an integral part of the Milk River cleanup.

After 40 years in the education field, including 10 years as principal at Grosse Pointe North High School, John Kasstran retired. He said he planned to travel and play a lot of golf.

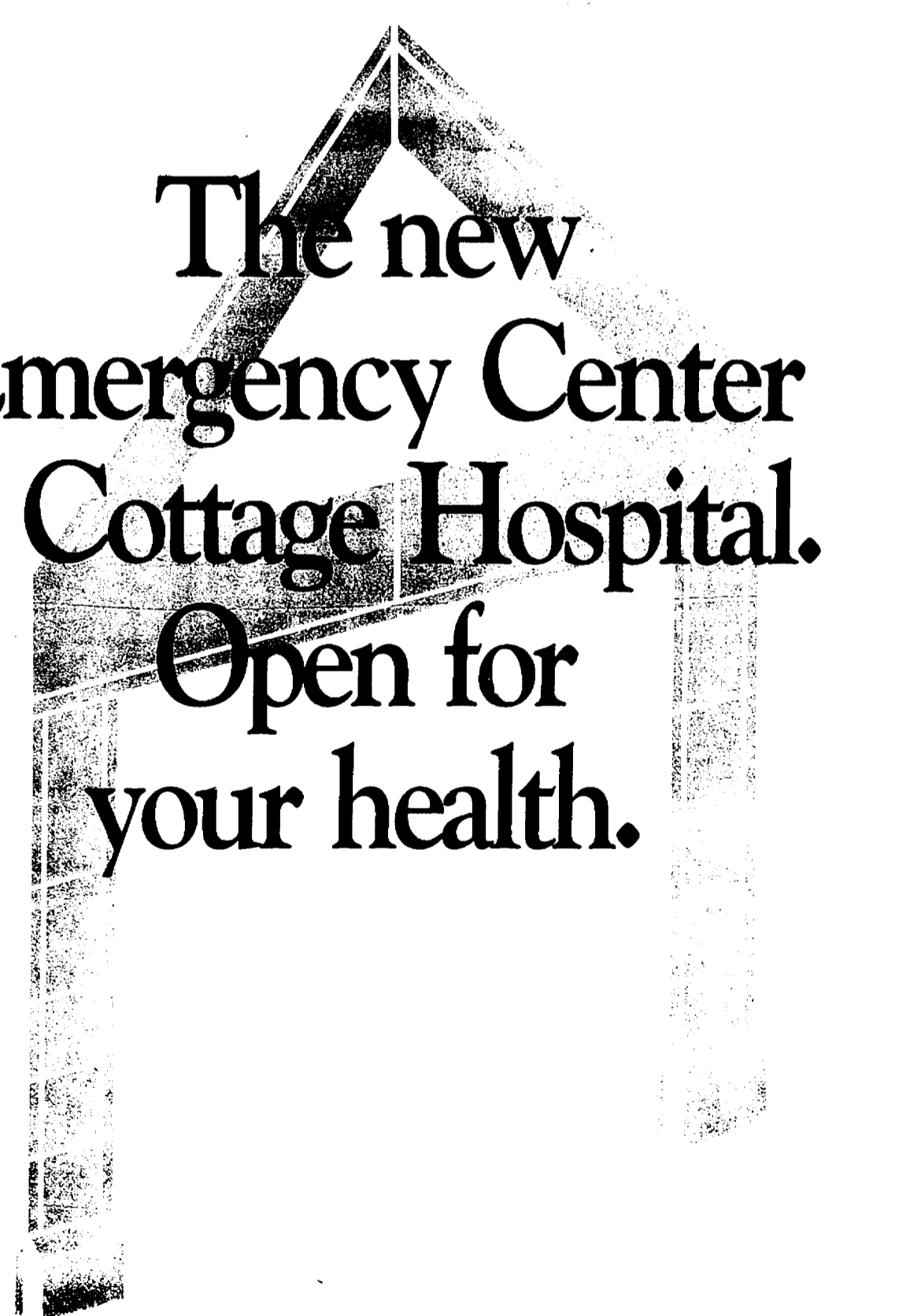
The Grosse Pointe board of education laid off 10 employees and reduced the assignments of 10 others in anticipation of reductions in state aid and other budget considerations. The cuts were far less than the 34 layoffs the board had anticipated earlier in the year.

Coming next week — July through December: Futuring, zebra mussels, expansion everywhere and more about school finance.

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Once a Hill gas station, now home to 300 employees

By Ronald J. Bernas
Staff Writer

In the early 1970s the Legislature passed a law allowing municipalities to grant tax abatements to commercial developments.

The idea was to encourage new development; by having half his taxes waived for a given number of years, the developer could not only construct a building, but could get it open and operating before assuming the full tax burden.

Grosse Pointe Farms is the only Pointe which has ever approved an abatement and it granted just one — to developer Pete Bologna to construct a 60,000-square-foot building on the corner of Kercheval and Muir, known as 131 Kercheval.

Granted in 1981, the 10-year abatement was recently extended by the council because construction wasn't started on the building until 1986. The abatement now expires in 1996.

The extension was unanimous, unlike the original abatement which two council members voted against and which caused an uproar in the community, Bologna remembers.

The entire project began in 1979 when Bologna purchased

a vacant Sunoco gas station at one end of the Hill. He was urged by then mayor Jim

Dingeman to look into purchasing the Amoco lot on the opposite end of the Hill, across the street from Cottage Hospital. The hospital was looking for more parking and office space for its doctors and the lot across the street was in a prime location.

After months of negotiations, Bologna was able to make a swap and the Amoco station moved into the former Sunoco station. Today, it's Standard on the Hill.

Bologna also purchased two houses behind the gas station along Muir Road and got a firm tenant — Standard Federal.

"But when the plans were ready, it was 1981 and the country was in the midst of a recession and interest rates were at 21, 22 percent and I knew I couldn't do it," Bologna said. "It was a fiscal impossibility to break ground."

And even if he did, the taxes would have been high and in turn passed on to the tenants. With the Hill commanding rents then of \$8 to \$10 a square foot, Bologna said his



Photo by Deana Walker

The building at 131 Kercheval changed the face of the Hill and was made possible by a tax abatement, the only one ever granted in the Pointes.

\$20-a-square-foot rent could have meant an empty building.

His request for an abatement was hotly discussed by residents at the Grosse Pointe Farms council meeting. One man told Bologna he was embarrassing the city because asking for an abatement made it

look like the Pointes weren't a desirable location to do business.

The abatement was granted, but construction didn't begin until 1986. The delay was partly because the city contended Bologna didn't have enough parking spaces for the

potential employees. That problem was solved when Cottage Hospital, Bologna and Grosse Pointe Farms agreed to build a parking structure.

The building was completed in 1987 and has been operating at or near capacity ever since. Bologna's application for an

abatement stated that he expected the building would provide 100 permanent new jobs, but today, the 30 tenants in the building employ more than 300 people.

"I really think that because of the interest climate in 1981, '82 and '83 that the building probably wouldn't have been built without the abatement," he said. "Not as it is. I would have had to modify it and it would have been less intensive."

But Bologna thinks the building sparked new interest in the Hill. At the time it was completed, it was the first new structure built on the Hill since 1964.

"We personally feel that it's been an asset for the area and helped commerce," he said. "You've got 300 people who come there every day and even if they just go to Perry's for a Coke, it's helping business in the area."

"I know some people in the area feel it's been detrimental because it adds traffic and I feel for them, but we feel it's been an unqualified success."

Tax abatements for commercial properties are no longer allowed. When the Legislature enacted the law, it contained a sunset clause which expired in the mid '80s. The law still allows tax abatements for industrial facilities.

"It's just one of the many things they've taken away from land developers," Bologna said. "The tax climate in this state is unfavorable to business. If you're going to get people to spend capital, there must be some sort of incentive for them to do it."

The building will soon be part of the expansion at Cottage Hospital. The hospital is building an enclosed, elevated walkway connecting the hospital with the Pierson Clinic on 131 Kercheval's third floor and also linking it to the parking structure.

Business People

By Ronald J. Bernas

Kenny Rehab, a non-profit organization dedicated to serving people with disabilities throughout Michigan, elected Grosse Pointe Farms resident Patrick Mansfield as treasurer of the board of trustees. Mansfield is a tax partner at Deloitte & Touche in Detroit and has been on Kenny's board since 1991.

Grosse Pointe resident David C. Hill was appointed chief engineer for the Chevrolet Motor Division's Corvette sports car. Hill becomes only the third Corvette chief engineer in the car's 40-year history. He has been with GM since 1965.

The St. John Hospital and Medical Center board of trustees recently approved several administrative changes. Included in the changes, effective Dec. 7, are: Glenn Wesselmann of Grosse Pointe Shores was appointed chairman, president and chief executive officer of SJH&MC. He will continue as president and CEO of St. John Health Corp. Patrick Wrenn of Grosse Pointe Shores was promoted to vice chairman of SJH&MC. He is responsible for directing and developing SJH&MC's growth in Macomb and St. Clair counties and overseeing



Wesselmann



Wrenn

capital expansion programs at and near the main campus. Timothy Grajewski of Grosse Pointe Woods assumes the position of executive vice president and chief operating officer responsible for all hospital activities. SJH&MC executive vice president John Staub of Grosse Pointe, a long-time member of the executive management group will retire Dec. 31.



Dumke

The American Institute of Architects Council of Architectural Component Executives in Washington, D.C., has named Grosse Pointe Farms resident Rae Dumke the 1992 CACE Executive of the Year. The award is presented annually to a CACE executive in recognition of outstanding contributions to the practice and the profession of association management as related specifically to the goals of CACE. Dumke is executive director of AIA Michigan, AIA Detroit and the Michigan Architectural Foundation. She has been president, vice president treasurer and director of CACE.

Grosse Pointe Park residents Mark Mardirosian and Roger P. Snyder were elected to terms on the American Institute of Architects — Detroit's board of directors for 1993. Mardirosian is an associate with Albert Kahn Associates Inc. and Snyder is president of Roger Snyder Architects Inc.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Alan Domzalski was promoted to district manager for western Michigan by Faygo Beverages Inc. Domzalski joined Faygo in 1988 and most recently was distributor sales manager with the company.

Robert A. Hudson of Grosse Pointe Farms, who heads the corporate, securities and business law group of Berry, Moorman, King & Hudson, was a speaker at the Detroit Bar Association's Fifth Annual Midwest Securities Law Institute held on Dec. 10. He will also speak as part of the Institute of continuing legal education's drafting business and corporate law documents course in January.

Robin Chrumka of Grosse Pointe has been promoted to vice president, senior art director in the creative department at CME/KHBB, formerly Campbell-Mithun-Esty. She was previously senior art director and vice president. She attended the Center for Creative Studies where she received a degree in advertising.



Chrumka

Business Notes

Professional Benefit Planners Inc. of Grosse Pointe will merge with BenePro Inc. of Royal Oak on Jan. 1, 1993. The new company will be called BenePro Inc. and Kristopher F. Powell of Troy, past president of BenePro, and Patrick G. Pennefather of Grosse Pointe, past president of Professional Benefit Planners are equal partners in the new corpora-

tion. The company is located at 1111 S. Woodward in Royal Oak.

Comprehensive Audiology Inc., a new facility offering a complete range of audiology services, opened at 18101 E. Warren in Detroit. It is owned and operated by Grosse Pointe resident Sabina Schwan, an audiologist certified by the

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The center is affiliated with Bon Secours Hospital. Schwan was formerly coordinator of the Harper Hospital Audiology Service for 11 years. She is also on the Wayne State University faculty in the audiology and otolaryngology departments. The clinic's phone number is 886-6903.

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When a child has a cold, the tube that extends from the middle ear may become swollen. Because their tubes are small, kids can't always "pop" their ears. Pressure draws fluid into the ear, and this trapped fluid is a breeding ground for bacteria and infection. Common symptoms of an ear infection include irritability, tugging on the ears, or a fever, especially when your child has a cold. Fortunately, the problem is treatable.

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St. John Hospital and Medical Center



From the heart

University Liggett School middle school students continued and expanded a tradition begun several years ago by participating in a food and friendship outreach with two local organizations. Throughout November, the students in grades six through eight and the middle school faculty collected enough foodstuff to fill 31 baskets and provide Thanksgiving dinners to needy families. A monetary donation was also given by each student and faculty member toward the purchase of a turkey and a gallon of milk to be placed in each basket. A number of baskets were delivered to the Guyton School the day before Thanksgiving and the remaining baskets were given to Deacon McNeely, left, from Detroit's Martyrs of Uganda parish, who spoke at the middle school's annual Thanksgiving assembly. Seventh-grader Billy Tringale, center, and eighth-grader Mike Peters helped load the church van.



Photo by Kate Callas

Khristine Brand hangs a star on the Tree of Stars at Central Library during the Gift of Reading Book Send-Off.

Student Spotlight

Bonkosky-Davis

Each week in this column, we focus on the work of a student. It can be a poem, a drawing, a short story, a picture of a scientific experiment or a woodwork-ing project, a book review.

The following Christmas poem was written by Lindsay Bonkosky-Davis, 10, a fifth-grader at Ferry Elementary School. She is the daughter of Karen Davis of Grosse Pointe Woods and Gary Bonkosky of Dearborn.

Christmas is . . .

Christmas is . . . delicious, brown chestnuts roasting on a red, hot, glowing fire in my warm, delightful, cozy, immaculate home.

Christmas is . . . big, tall, green trees with dangling, colorful, sizeable ornaments and silver, frizzy tinsel.

Christmas is . . . my teacher Ms. A's room filled with delightful, adorable, cool, weird, lovely decorations, being put up on every delightful day of the year.

Christmas is . . . the famous, white, frozen, car-not-nosed, charcoal-eyed Frosty the Snowwoman and those brown flying reindeer, Rudolph, Prancer, Dixon, Doner, Dasher, Comet and Cupid.

Christmas is . . . plump Garfield and Peanuts marching in the crowded, loud, long parade in frightening Detroit.



Lindsay Bonkosky-Davis

Christmas is . . . glowing, plastic, white and gold angels and stars at the top of the green Christmas tree.

Christmas is . . . red, green and blue stockings with my small, cute kitty fitting in them, on exciting, beautiful, cool Christmas Eve.

Christmas is . . . my many loving family members treating me with weird, large, decorative, wrapped presents.

Christmas is . . . delightful, incredible, long car-ols about big, fat, old, plump St. Nick.

Christmas is . . . white, clear, watery, frozen snow from up in the black and blue sky.

Book drive gets send off

Nearly 1,000 new storybooks will find their way into the hands and hearts of young readers who may never have owned a new book, thanks to the Grosse Pointe community's response to the Detroit Free Press Gift of Reading book drive.

Books were collected at the three branches of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Defer, Kerby, Monteith, Poupard and Trombly elementary schools, Richard Brownie Troop 1623, Grosse Pointe Christian Day School, The Grosse Pointe Academy, the Detroit Industrial School and Third Coast Booksellers.

Tanya Favot of the Detroit Free Press joined 50 children and adults for the third annual Gift of Reading Book Send-Off at Central Library Dec. 9. She said that the books could spark a lifelong love of books for many of the children who receive them.

Librarians Blaine Morrow and Gloria Sheridan led holiday songs and read aloud Clement Moore's poem, "A Visit From St. Nicholas."

New books for children 7 and younger and monetary donations will be accepted at the three branch libraries through the month of December. Books will be distributed to children through agencies such as Focus: HOPE, Head Start, homeless shelters and battered women's shelters.

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Rhoades scholar

Tom Rhoades, a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Rhoades of Grosse Pointe City, recently returned from the Congressional Youth Leadership Council Conference in Washington, D.C.

Rhoades was selected to attend the Dec. 16 conference for demonstrating academic achievement, leadership and citizenship. He was one of 350 high school students from across the nation participating in the six-day symposium on the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Culminating the National Young Leaders Conference was the Mock Congressional session on gun control during which the scholars assumed the roles of U.S. representatives debating, lobbying and voting on proposed handgun legislation.

Rhoades is a member of the National Honor Society, the varsity tennis team and first chair tenor saxophonist in the orchestra and jazz band.



Nancy Diehl, left, presents the St. Clare Distinguished Graduate award to Julie Bezaire-Donovan.

Bezaire-Donovan receives award

Julie Bezaire-Donovan, a graduate of St. Clare of Montefalco Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park, was presented with the second National Catholic Education Association's Catholic Elementary School Distinguished Graduate Award at the school's Alumni Gathering on Nov. 28.

The award acknowledges the achievements of Catholic school graduates whose contributions to American society reflect the values of a Catholic education.

A 1968 graduate of St. Clare School, Bezaire-Donovan is currently the executive director of the Lake County Habitat for Humanity while also serving on state and national boards for the Pax Christi organization.

She and her husband, Jim, and two children, 8 and 10, also are active in a weekly Jail Ministry and with their parish folk group.

The award was presented to her by last year's recipient, Nancy Diehl, class of 1967.

Student asthma card available

A new Student Asthma Action Card has been developed by the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America for use in elementary, middle and high schools throughout the country.

The card is designed to allow parents and physicians to record essential information relating to a child's asthma condition and present it to school personnel for placement in the student's file.

It includes a place for the student's identification photograph and spaces for information on environmental control measures, instructions about daily medications and directions for emergencies.

It also has a check-list for elements which may trigger the student's asthma episode.

The Student Asthma Action Card received endorsement from the National Asthma Education Program.

It is available, free of charge, to children who suffer from asthma and their parents. It may be ordered by writing to AAFA, 1125 15th St. NW, Suite 502, Washington, D.C., or by calling, toll-free, 1-800-7-ASTHMA.

The AAFA-Michigan Chapter provides direct support and services to persons throughout Michigan who are affected by asthma and allergies. The Michigan Chapter can be reached at 17250 W. 12 Mile Road, Suite 204, Southfield, Mich. 48076; phone 557-8050.



Can do

University Liggett School students in kindergarten through grade five participated in monthly canned food drives from September, collecting more than 2,000 pounds of food. The food was donated to the poor through St. Ambrose Church and Crossroads. From left, fourth-graders Gennette Faust, Andrew Blake, Trevor Broad and Patrice Valentine help package donated canned goods.

~ MODERN GREEK STUDIES ~

PRE-COLLEGIATE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

The Modern Greek Studies Program at Wayne State University anticipates hiring one or more qualified instructors for its Pre-collegiate Program for Children (ages 7-10), beginning in Fall 1993. The curriculum includes instruction in the Greek language (reading, writing, and speaking), Greek customs, geography, folklore and mythology.

Applicants should possess the following minimum qualifications; B.A. degree with a major in foreign languages, literature, or education, experience in instruction and/or working with children under the age of twelve; fluency in Modern Greek; a good knowledge of the history, customs, geography, and culture of Greece.

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South's Lake cited as women's sports pioneer

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Jo Lake remembers when she coached four sports, drove the bus and lined the athletic fields at Flint Holy Rosary.

Now, as athletic director and assistant principal at Grosse Pointe South, her duties are different but her schedule is just as hectic and she's doing just as much in helping young people further their education through sports.

"There are times when I do miss coaching, but I like what I'm doing now," said Lake, who was recently named the fourth recipient of the Women in Sports Leadership Award presented by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Each year the MHSAA repre-

sentative council recognizes a person who makes major contributions to encouraging and preparing women for positions as athletic administrators, coaches and officials. The award will be presented at the Women in Sports Leadership conference Feb. 7-8 in Lansing.

"Jo's extensive experience in coaching and officiating at the grassroots level and the unflagging energy she continues to put forward at the administration level toward getting women involved in girls athletics made her an excellent choice for this year's award," said Suzanne Martin, assistant director of the MHSAA and coordinator of the Women in Sports Leadership Award and

conference.

Lake has been a member of the MHSAA representative council since 1990, and was recently elected to a new two-year term.

"I can be of more help doing this than if I'd continued in coaching," Lake said. "This is a different challenge."

Lake is a fixture at nearly every South athletic event and her door is always open to coaches and athletes.

"I can see a lot of good things happening," she said. "I try to go to everything I can because I want to know what's going on and I want the kids and coaches to see me there. Communication and perspective can solve a lot of problems."

Lake's coaching career

started almost by accident.

She was playing volleyball on an AAU team and some folks at Flint Holy Rosary asked her if she'd teach the girls how to play the sport. This was in the 1960s before girls sports were played at the varsity level.

"We started having practices in the multi-purpose room at the school," Lake recalled. "We'd have Saturday practices and sometimes nobody would show up, but eventually we had a lot of kids who wanted to play."

The nets were made of fish seines and were fastened to a wall with an eyebolt on one side and anchored on the other side to a piece of pipe that was wedged between a broken hurdle and an old tire.

The low ceiling in the multi-purpose room was at first a nuisance, but later turned out to be a blessing in disguise for Lake and her volleyball team.

"We got used to passing the ball low and jumping high to hit the ball low," Lake said. "The college scouts were all impressed with our kids because they played such a controlled passing game."

The Holy Rosary squad began traveling around the state playing in AAU tournaments and beating teams of older players. Eventually, the tournament rules were changed so that the minimum age was 18.

"That excluded us from all the competition," Lake said.

Fortunately, that was the same time the Michigan High School Athletic Association began recognizing girls sports.

In the early 1970s Holy Rosary started fielding teams in volleyball, girls basketball and

softball with Lake at the helm. A few girls who had an interest in track would compete in enough meets to qualify for the state meet — and Lake coached them, too.

After earning a line in the national high school record book with 100 consecutive volleyball victories from 1974-77, Lake moved to Flint Kearsley and her success in volleyball continued. Her team won state championships in Class A in 1980 and 1984 and was a state finalist in 1985.



Jo Lake

In all, her volleyball teams won eight state championships and set two national records. Lake's career record in volleyball, basketball and softball is 653-65.

Lake said it is just as important for girls to participate in high school sports as it is for boys to do so.

"I consider high school sports an educational activity," she said. "It's part of the total education of the kids and something they can take with them when they're out of high school. It's healthy to go out at least once a week and play a sport to

get rid of some of the stress of your job, whether you're a man or a woman.

"Women who have participated in sports understand when the conversation turns to sports, as it so often does. And it teaches teamwork, which is very important in the business world. Athletes learn how to make quick decisions on the court, so they're more apt to make them in their lives away from the athletic fields."

Those are all qualities Lake possesses.

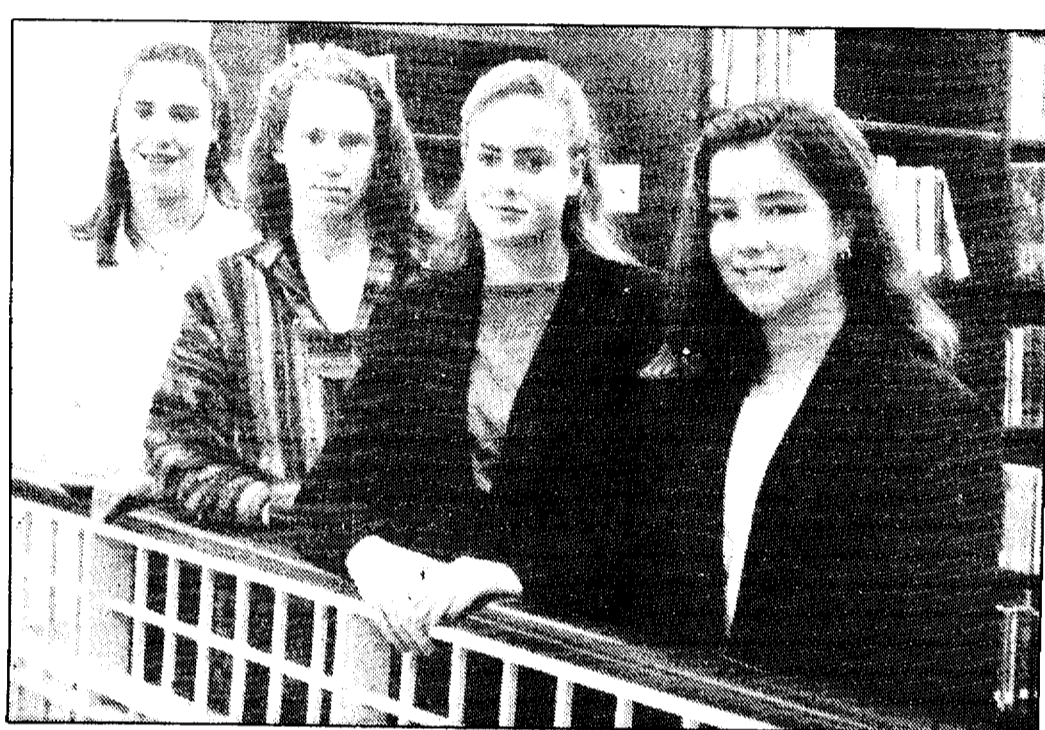
She was president of the Michigan High School Coaches Association in 1989-90 and is the first person to receive a national coach of the year award in a woman's sport. In October 1991, Lake was inducted into the Michigan High School Coaches Hall of Fame.

Lake's accomplishments — and her name — have caught some people by surprise.

One of the most amusing incidents was when she received her national coach of the year ring.

"The presenter was telling about all these accomplishments and I didn't even realize he was talking about me until he called my name," Lake said with a smile. "So I walked up to the stage and he said, 'And accepting the award for Joe Lake is . . .', and I said, 'Jo Lake.' He said again, 'Accepting the award for Joe Lake is . . .', and I said, 'I'm Jo Lake.' He couldn't believe Jo Lake was a woman.

"So when I make my acceptance speech in February, I'll thank my father for naming me Jo and my mother for being one of the original women's suffragettes."



All-State quartet

University Liggett School had four players named to the Michigan High School Tennis Coaches Association All-State team. From left, are Heather Heidel, Shannon Byrne, Carrie Birgbauer and Lauren Gargaro. Heidel and Byrne were undefeated in singles play this season, while Birgbauer and Gargaro suffered only two losses as the Lady Knights' first doubles team.

Farms mom quick on slopes

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Anne Knudson-Fitzpatrick of Grosse Pointe Farms figures she's never too old to learn a few new skiing tricks.

"Even when you're older, you can learn new techniques," said Knudson-Fitzpatrick, who recently attended a ski camp in Killington, Vt., and then put the lessons to good use a week later when she took first overall in the women's division at the first American Ski Racing Alliance (ASRA) event on the Killington slopes.

"Skiers today are using the Tomba technique, which involves keeping the skis on the snow at all times, rather than lifting one while making a turn," she said. "This way the skis jet you ahead. It's all aerodynamics, and you have to keep up with the changes because if you lift your ski off the snow at every gate it's going to cost you a split-second. Those can add up after 70 gates. It's difficult to change when you're used to doing something a certain way, but you have to do it to remain competitive."

On the first giant slalom event, Knudson-Fitzpatrick finished fourth.

The next time on the slope was a different story, as the 40-year-old mother of two blew away the competition and won gold medals in overall and in the Elite (40 and older) division.

"The second day I was really focused," she said. "I was determined to win it for Ryan (her son) and I was really flying. Then a couple gates from the bottom I slipped into some soft snow. I thought, 'There goes my line, my time. I'll finish, but there's no way I can do well.' I even congratulated another girl, who I thought beat me."

Knudson-Fitzpatrick was

turning in her racing bib when she glanced up at the scoreboard and discovered that she had the fastest time.

"I was so excited," she said. "I told myself, 'You can still do it.' Lots of times before one of these races I have my doubts."

Knudson-Fitzpatrick's main goal at Killington was to qualify for the Jeep Ski Club Challenge next month, and she accomplished that and more.

Knudson-Fitzpatrick, who is

an all-around athlete, feels that one of her newest sporting ventures has improved her skiing.

"I've been playing tennis at Eastpointe and that has helped my skiing," she said. "Playing tennis you have to concentrate to the 'nth' degree for two hours, while it's only for two minutes in skiing. Learning how to concentrate for the longer time has made it easier to concentrate for the two minutes."



Anne Knudson-Fitzpatrick of Grosse Pointe Farms is a picture of determination and excellent skiing form as she heads down the slope in Killington, Vt.

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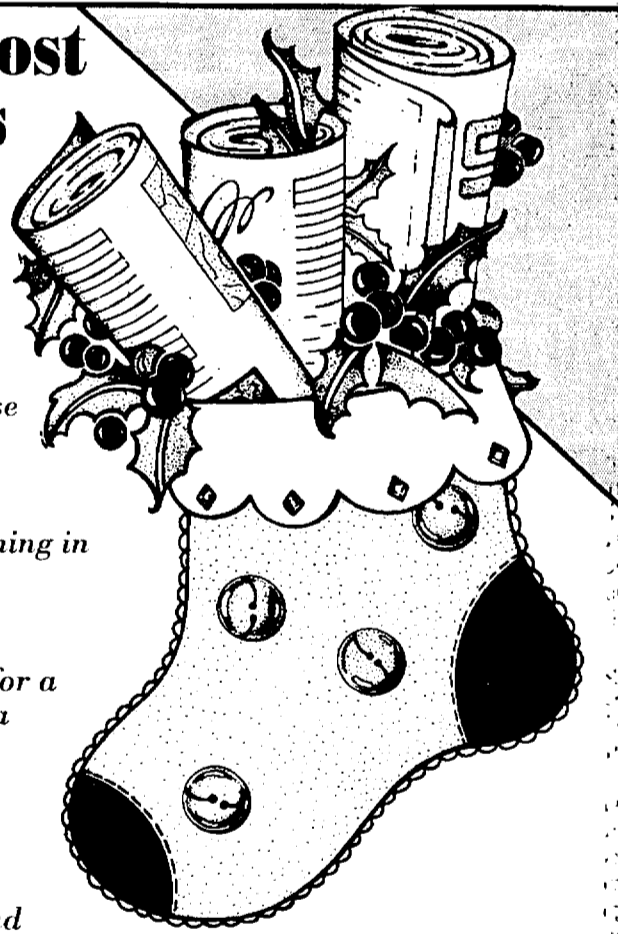
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MITE DIVISION

Flyers 4, Blues 0

Goals: Calder Gage, Rickey Lewis, Jimmy Pranger, Adam Mullen (Flyers).
Assists: Mullen, Anthony Savalle, Nicole Brown (Flyers).

Comments: Patrick Schafer recorded the shutout in his first start in goal. Andrew Beer, Robbie McCurdy and Peter Torrey also played well for the Flyers. Goalie Jordan Winfield and David Spicer were standouts for the Blues.

Senators 2, Mighty Ducks 1

Goals: Ryan Haas, J.P. Champine (Senators); Matt Lambrecht (Mighty Ducks).

Assists: Jarrad Champine, Andrew Glancy (Senators); John Genovesi (Mighty Ducks).

Comments: Senators' goalie Mike Ambrozy turned away all but one shot. Jeff Lindeman and Robert Porter had strong defensive games for the Senators. Brothers John and Paul Simon and goalie Johnny Ghanem were standouts for the Mighty Ducks.

Habs 5, Stars 1

Goals: Kevin Pesta 3, Bobby Danforth, Steven Maxwell (Habs); Tommy Russell (Stars).

Assists: Jonathon Graves 2, Matt Scarfone, Evan Case (Habs); Mark Brooks (Stars).
Comments: Habs' goalie Kenny Wierczka played an excellent game and

teammates Steve Zmyslowski, Fraser Gaspar and Kevin Amori had strong defensive performances. Bobby Karle, Stacey Campbell and Aaron Hynds also played well for the Habs. Russell's goal was the first of his career for the Stars.

Rangers 8, Sabres 2

Goals: Boomer Urisko 2, Jason Capaldi 2, John Coleman, Bobby Colombo, Duke Cooper, Avery Schmidt (Rangers); Troy Casey, Steven Debol (Sabres).

Assists: Ryan Thomas, Phil Saffron, Cooper, Colombo, Trevor Broad, Schmidt, Mike Ryan (Rangers).
Comments: Patrick Cisco, Jordan Owen, Michael Bates and Shawn Hunter played well for the Rangers. Richard Ray and Richard Brace played strong defense for the Sabres. Both

goalies, Andrew Amato of the Rangers and the Sabres' Nathan Weatherup, were outstanding.

PEE WEE DIVISION

Blackhawks 2, Sharks 1

Goals: Ryan King, Adam Whitehead (Blackhawks); Sean Hynds (Sharks).

Assists: Casey Crain, Matt Gorczyca, Brendan Joyce, Jon Hudson (Blackhawks); Barrow, J.R. Mason (Sharks).
Comments: King's first goal of the season broke a 1-1 tie in the second period.

Blackhawks 8, Lightning 2

Goals: Matt Gorczyca 3, Brendan Joyce 2, Ryan King 2, Adam Whitehead (Blackhawks); Steve Dely, Matt Man-

nino (Lightning).
Assists: Matt Gorczyca 2, Jim Peterka 2, Brian Bledsoe, Adam Gorczyca, Jon Hudson, King, Whitehead (Blackhawks); Dely (Lightning).
Comments: The Blackhawks erupted for five goals in the first period. Bledsoe's assist was his first of the season.

SQUIRT DIVISION

Bruins 2, Lightning 1

Goals: Tarik Ibrahim, Michelle McGoey (Bruins); Zachary Beer (Lightning).

Assists: Mac Broderick, Sarah Fox, Duncan Eady, Nick Orozco (Bruins).
Comments: The Bruins' goals came early in the first and third periods, while Beer scored late in the game after

the Lightning pulled their goalie for an extra attacker. B. Keelean, C. Damman and A. Fujita played strong games for the Bruins, while C. Myslinski, C. Brown and D. Kerwin were the Lightning's standouts.

Penguins 2, Lightning 0

Goals: Reed Creedon, Joey Sullivan (Penguins).

Assist: Brian Sullivan (Penguins).
Comments: Sean Taylor played an outstanding game in goal to post the shutout. Chuck Myslinski and Kent Gruenwald had strong games for the Lightning.



Pointe Counter Points

By kathleen stevenson



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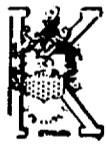
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Twelfth Night celebration: War Memorial plans Renaissance-style fundraiser

By Margie Reins Smith
Feature Editor

In Renaissance England, Twelfth Night was the final festive fling of the Christmas season — an evening of revelry, music, entertainment, food and drink.

The lord of the manor invited the common folks up to the castle for a Twelfth Night bash. Everybody got gussied up. A king and queen and court were chosen. Men "wassailed" their fruit trees by encircling them three times, drinking three toasts to ensure a bountiful harvest during the coming year.

At the court of Henry VIII in the late 16th century, Twelfth Night was marked by masques, balls, banquets, sporting competitions and an overflowing wassail bowl. Leftover Christmas greens were tossed into the huge fireplaces.

Shakespeare's play of the same name was performed for Queen Elizabeth I on Jan. 6, 1601.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will hold its first-ever Twelfth Night celebration on Saturday, Jan. 9, complete with English lords and ladies dressed in Elizabethan garb; performances by minstrels, mimes, seers and jesters; music by madrigal singers and Renaissance musicians. The Renaissance Dance Company, a troupe known for its performances at the Detroit Institute of Arts' annual Wassail Feast and the yearly Renaissance Festival, will perform.

Proceeds from the Twelfth Night celebration will support the more than 4,600 functions that are held every year at the War Memorial.

"We're excited about this first-time event," said John Youngblood, chairman of the War Memorial's board. "We're going to take people back to Renaissance England for a traditional feast of Elizabethan food and drink."

Youngblood said that 200,000 people visited the War Memorial last year, participating in its various activities, classes and programs. "Most were Grosse Pointers," he added.

Wassail

Mary Lou Osetek, catering manager of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, developed a recipe for wassail punch reminiscent of 16th century England.

- 1/2 gallon hot water
- 6 tea bags
- 3 oranges stuck with cloves
- 4 whole lemons
- 8 cinnamon sticks
- 1 lb. sugar
- 1/2 gallon red wine
- 1/2 gallon white wine
- 1/2 bottle of brandy
- 1/2 bottle of triple sec

Combine water, tea bags, oranges, lemons, cinnamon sticks and sugar and boil for about 5 minutes. Add wines, brandy and triple sec. Simmer for 30 minutes. Serve at room temperature.

"It's exciting to see the community supporting a new kind of fundraiser like this," said Barbara Denler, program director for the War Memorial. "People are ready to support happenings close to home. The War Memorial is striving to present more entertainment evenings as well as to expand its existing programs for all ages. There should be something for everyone in this community at the War Memorial."

Some Renaissance customs and table manners might be a bit crude for today's tastes, Denler said. The Twelfth Night menu will reflect the best of Renaissance fare — things like succulent sides of beef,

The War Memorial's Twelfth Night celebration will feature Renaissance-style entertainers dressed in Elizabethan costumes.



roasted vegetables and figgy pudding for dessert.

The cocktail reception will begin at 6 p.m. in the Alger House and the feast will begin at 8 p.m. in the Fries ballroom.

"We think the Alger House is especially beautiful during this season," Denler said. "We want to show it off. The fireplaces will be lit. The ballroom will be decorated in the style of a Renaissance dining hall. We chose a Twelfth Night feast because everybody is busy during the Christmas holidays."

"We're setting round tables for eight and I'd like to remind people that tickets to the

celebration would make wonderful Christmas gifts." (Hint hint.)

Committee members who are planning the event include Wendy Bellard, Beverly Ford, Mary Lamparter, Judy Standish, Barbara Reed, Mary Drummy and Denler.

Tickets are \$100 a person for the whole evening; \$50 for the cocktail reception only. Only 200 tickets will be sold and reservations must be made by Tuesday, Jan. 5.

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Owens-Preston

Amy Beresford Owens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Owens, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, married Michael J. Preston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Preston of Bloomfield Hills, on June 6, 1992, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

The Rev. John Corrado officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

Rosemary Morgan of Chicago was the maid of honor. Ingrid Shirar of Grosse Pointe was the bridesmaid.

The best man was Tim Stannard of Union Lake. Steve Thurlow of Ann Arbor was the groomsmen.

The bride is a sales executive for an international travel organization.

The groom has accepted a post at Harvard University Medical School.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Cancun. They live in Boston.



Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McFarland Rockwell

Fink-Rockwell

Allyson Beth Fink of West Bloomfield, daughter of the late Nathan and Harriet Fink, married Alexander McFarland Rockwell, son of Bruce M.

Rockwell of Grosse Pointe Farms and Patricia Garrett of Harbor Springs, on Aug. 22, 1992, at the Country Club of Detroit.

Judge Matthew Rumora officiated at the ceremony, which

was followed by a reception at the club.

The bride's sister, Linda Fink Levy of Syracuse, N.Y., was the matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Wendy Kirsch of West Bloomfield; Holly Nissalke of Salt Lake City; Susan Vasher of Portland, Ore.; and Sari Gladstone of Franklin.

Ariana Fink of West Bloomfield was the flowergirl.

The best man was Eric Christian of Detroit.

Groomsmen were the groom's brother, Christopher Rockwell of Albany, N.Y.; Thomas Ball of Detroit; Neil Brown of Ann Arbor; and Aaron Harnick of New York City.

The ringbearer was Natalie Levy of Syracuse.

The bride was given in marriage by her brothers, Dr. Kenneth Fink and Dr. Daniel Fink, both of West Bloomfield.

The bride earned a master's

degree in communications from Syracuse University. She is a documentary producer/director.

The groom is a senior in the architecture school at Syracuse University.

The couple traveled to Bora Bora. They live in Fayetteville.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Douglas Whitty

Sutherland-Whitty

Julia Ann Sutherland of Houston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Douglas Sutherland Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms, married Michael Douglas Whitty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Whitty of Houston, on Aug. 29, 1992, at St. Paul Catholic Church.

The Rev. James Commyn officiated at the 3 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Country Club of Detroit.

The bride wore a white gown with a bodice decorated with

Alencon lace appliques and seed pearls and a tulle skirt. She carried a bouquet of white roses, lilies and freesia.

Sheila Peck Pettie of New Canaan, Conn., was the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Susan Range Miller of Willamette, Ill.; Susanne Ingram Schaefer of Stamford, Conn.; Beth Tanner Burrus of New York City; and the groom's sister, Catherine Whitty of Houston.

Attendants wore tea-length dresses of lilac damask and carried bouquets of pink and white roses and lilies.

J. Michael Perkins of Houston was the best man.

Ushers were Timothy L. Holloway, H. Bradley Southern and John S. Harrison, all of Houston; and James Y. Holdridge of Fort Worth, Texas.

The bride's mother wore a pink silk suit and carried white gardenias.

The mother of the groom wore a blue silk suit and carried a white orchid.

Scripture readers were Celeste Dubuque of St. Louis; Douglas Kingsley of Wellesley, Mass.; and Melinda Treutle of New York City.

The bride graduated from Denison University and earned a master's degree in business administration from Harvard Business School. She is manager of multinational marketing for Compac Computer Corp.

The groom graduated from the University of Texas and the University of Texas Law School. He is also a CPA. He is an associate attorney with Mayor, Day, Caldwell & Keeton in Houston.

The couple traveled to Maui, Hawaii. They live in Houston.

Engagements

Langley-Clarke

McKindrey and Sandra Langley of Ambler, Pa., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tacye Lynne Langley, to Stephen Michael Clarke, son of Robert L. and Wilma Clarke of Grosse Pointe Woods. A January wedding is planned.

Langley attends Wheaton College, where she is majoring in literature.

Clarke earned a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and communications from Wheaton College.

Boomer earned a bachelor of science degree from Regis College. He is a master's degree candidate at Wayne State University.



Carolyn Sanom and Kevin Maher

Sanom-Maher

Samuel and Evelyn Sanom of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Sanom, to Kevin Maher, son of Patrick and Maureen Maher of East

Grand Rapids. A June wedding is planned.

Sanom earned a bachelor of science degree from Central Michigan University in early childhood education. She is pursuing a master's degree at Wayne State University and teaches first grade in the Troy public schools.

Maher earned a bachelor of arts degree in English and film from Central Michigan University and a master of arts degree in film from Wayne State University. He is an assistant buyer at Borders Inc.



Richard George Holzinger and Sally Elizabeth Peters

Peters-Holzinger

Doris Peters of St. Clair

Shores and Roy A. Peters, also of St. Clair Shores, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sally Elizabeth Peters, to Richard George Holzinger, son of Lucia Holzinger of Houston, and the late Richard James Holzinger. A May wedding is planned.

Peters graduated from University Liggett School and Connecticut College. She is senior editor for Pocket Books/Simon & Schuster in New York City.

Holzinger graduated from Harvard and the University of Texas Law School, with honors. He is managing director in the asset finance group of Bankers Trust, New York.



Tyra Ann Totte and John Robert Bone

Totte-Bone

Dr. and Mrs. Tymon C. Totte of Grosse Pointe Shores have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tyra Ann Totte, to John Robert Bone, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bone of Beverly Hills. A May wedding is planned.

Totte graduated from Northwood Institute with a bachelor of business administration degree. She is an assistant meeting coordinator for Grant Thornton in Chicago.

Bone graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor of business administration degree and is studying for a master's degree in business administration at the University of Chicago. He is a litigation consultant for Coopers & Lybrand in Chicago.

Deadline for Features section is 3 p.m. Friday



Soroptimists offer grants

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe, a service organization for executive and professional women, has several grants available for women pursuing baccalaureate, master's or doctoral degrees and for mature women, heads-of-households, who are re-entering the job market.

Women of the foundation committee are from left, Mary Parsigian, Soroptimist president; Rosemary A. Hughes; and Lee Meyer. They encourage women in the community to apply for the grants. For more information and application forms, call Meyer at 881-9099. Entries must be completed by Friday, Jan. 15.



Sunrise Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club received a civic award from the Beautification Commission of Grosse Pointe Park for its efforts during a spring cleanup project for senior citizens. The Rotary selected the homes of three seniors who needed help with spring cleanup of their yards. Members cut and edged lawns, trimmed bushes, and planted flowers.

Standing, from left, are Gary Brantz, Jim Cooper, Larry Van Til, Penny Caretti, Kirsten Frank, Wayne Pittel, Art Judson and Valerie Moran. In the front, from left, are J.C. Brooks, chairman of the project, and Catherine Kelly.

New Arrivals

Maxwell Baker Martinez

Michael and Meta Martinez of Boston are the parents of a son, Maxwell Baker Martinez, born Nov. 13, 1992. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Gallagher of Grosse Pointe Park, Katherine Martinez of Westport, Conn., Stanley Martinez of Ann Arbor and the late Charles C. Weitzel. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Felix Martinez of Lyons, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bretz of Warren.

Benjamin David Fry

Kelly and David Fry of Chicago are the parents of a son, Benjamin David Fry, born Oct.

19, 1992. Maternal grandparents are Clarice Justice of Dearborn and Robert Nozicka of Dearborn. Paternal grandparents are Gene and Louise Fry of Grosse Pointe Woods. Paternal great-grandmother is Margaret Milnes Olmsted of Coldwater.

Amanda Marie Buhl

Larry and Amy Buhl of North Haven, Conn., are the parents of a daughter, Amanda Marie Buhl, born Oct. 15, 1992. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Fairdough of Scituate, Mass. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence D. Buhl Jr. of Grosse Pointe.

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Action Auction workers toil year-round for annual benefit

Grosse Pointe Academy's volunteers are already preparing for the 1993 Action Auction next May — in fact, they've been working on the annual school fundraiser since last May.

More than 100 volunteers attended an old-fashioned cookie exchange at the home of Jesse and Pat Cardello on Dec. 9. The Cardellos share the general chairmanship of the event with James and Elizabeth Klein and Bill and Kathy Whelan.

Honorary chairmen are Mr. and Mrs. Emmet E. Tracy Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Emmet E. Tracy Jr. and Mrs. David S. Summers.

Volunteers have begun ac-

quiring items for the auction — everything from exotic safaris to jewelry, classic paintings, antiques, travel and dining packages and an original painting of the school by French impressionist Louis Jaquet. Poster reproductions of the painting are for sale for \$45. The poster would make a great Christmas gift, said Pat Palm, development director for the academy. Hint hint.

Rainbows and Ice:

Brilliant jewels and sparkling company will be the attractions at Rainbows and Ice, Cranbrook Institute of Science's annual gala on Saturday, Jan. 23.

The jewels will be provided by Neiman Marcus — neck-

laces, bracelets, earrings and more.

Cranbrook is a natural history and science museum, a division of Cranbrook Educational Community.

The black-tie benefit will begin with cocktails at 7 p.m., followed by a five-course meal provided by the Gourmet House, then dancing to the music of Joe Vitale's band.

Among those who will attend are Dr. and Mrs. Kim Lie of Grosse Pointe Park and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cameron of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets are \$175 for patrons; \$200 for benefactors. For reservations, call Diane Patton at 645-3228.

— Margie Reins Smith



A Phantom for the K.I.S.S.

Among those who attended a "Phantom of the Opera" benefit for the K.I.S.S. Coalition at the Masonic Temple Nov. 29 were, from left, Tony Kulka of Fraser, a Boysville of Michigan board member and state secretary of the Knights of Columbus; Brother Francis Boylan, executive director of Boysville; Art Van Elslander, a Boysville board member and Grosse Pointe Shores resident; Mary Ann Van Elslander; Gov. John Engler; Peter Cracchiolo of Grosse Pointe Shores; Bishop Moses Anderson; and Michelle Engler. The event, which raised \$140,000 for Boysville of Michigan, Judson Center, Oakland Family Services, and the Sarah Fisher Center, was sponsored by the Big Three automakers and included dinner, a performance of "The Phantom of the Opera" and an afterglow.



The Grosse Pointe Academy's Action Auction is scheduled for May 5 and 8.

A recent kickoff cocktail buffet saw the unveiling of a painting of the school by Louis Jaquet. Shown with the painting are, from left, chairmen Kathy and Bill Whelan, Jesse and Pat Cardello and James and Elizabeth Klein.

Garden Center presents annual Berry lecture

"Casual Elegance" is Libbey Hodges Oliver's topic in the annual Berry Memorial lecture sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 8, in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium.

This annual event for Garden Center members and the community is made possible by the endowed gift of Eska and Raymond Berry.

Oliver, who is manager of floral services for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, is also a horticulturist, author and TV personality, most recently seen on "Good Morning America's" Christmas show.

Dressed in Colonial costume, Oliver will explain the traditional Colonial method of flower arranging, while demonstrating how the same effect can be created today by combining herbs and native plants with cultivated and florist flowers. Tips on how to handle cut flowers, which flowers to grow or buy and ideas about color and texture will be included in the demonstration.

The lecture will be followed

at 11:45 a.m. by a subscription luncheon in the Fries Ballroom.

Admission to the lecture for non-Garden Center members is \$7.50. There will be a membership table in the lobby before the lecture for those who wish to join the Garden Center, which gives free admission to lectures and workshops throughout the year. Reservations must be made for both

the lecture and the \$13.50 subscription luncheon by Monday, Jan. 4. Program chairman Nora Williams invites everyone to come at 10 a.m. for a cup of coffee and a chat.

Make checks payable to the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, 48236. Call 881-4594 for more information.

Farm and Garden Club members raise funds

Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club members and their guests held a "Carols and Cheer" party Dec. 14 at the home of William and Sue Vittoe.

The 61-year-old club, led by president Ginny McCormick, is involved in several projects:

- For more than 40 years, it has made corsages for the Junior League of Detroit's annual Christmas parties for the handicapped and Goodwill Industries.

- It chooses representatives to design and donate wreaths for the "Festival of Trees," an annual benefit for Children's Hospital of Michigan.

- It donates funds for scholarships and a state conservation school.

- It plants flowers near the expressway, a project called "Petal Power."

- It helps children from the Children's Home of Detroit plant flowers and vegetables.

- And it cooperates with the Grosse Pointe Garden Center by designing, planting and maintaining a plot in the War Memorial's Trial Gardens.



Members of the Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club recently held a Christmas party. From left, are Ann McCormick, Ginny Tompkins, Sue Vittoe and Mary Jane Drummy. Anne Roberts is seated at the piano.

G.P. Ski Club to meet Jan. 6

The Grosse Pointe Ski Club will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The meeting will feature a video on skiing in Austria and a presentation on ski tuning by the Bavarian Ski Village shop.

The club is planning a trip to Innsbruck/Kitzbuehl from Jan. 30 to Feb. 14. Other trips planned by the club include Boyne Mountain, Jan. 8-10; Snowmass, Colo., Feb. 20-27; and several cross-country day trips, depending on snow conditions.

The club is open to singles and couples who enjoy sports and socializing. Dues are \$18 a year for singles; \$26 a year for couples. For membership information, call Keith at 884-9036. For news of year-round social events, call Virginia at 881-0909.

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The Pastor's Corner

A Christmas Wish

By the Rev. William C. DeVries First Christian Reformed Church



I remember Christmas Eve at Grandma's house. Grandma lived a short walk down the street from my house in a small bungalow almost identical to ours. Actually, all the houses on our street were in the familiar pattern that flowed out from the tenements near Chicago's loop. Mile after mile of alternating styles. You could have anything you wanted in a small two-bedroom house — as long as it was either style A or style B.

Christmas Eve started in our home when presents among my father, mother, three sisters and myself were exchanged after supper and the story from Luke 2 was read. Then, after the wrappings had been gathered and the opened presents re-stacked under the tree, we were off for the short trek to grandma's house. She lived with my Aunt Nell and Uncle Bud.

Grandpa died years before, just a bit before I was born. Grandma had a stroke when she was in her early 50s. Now in her early 60s, more and more her memory slipped to long ago and she forgot recent events. But Christmas Eve was Grandma's night. Her two sons and one daughter gathered with their spouses and children and Grandma shone.

First she was in the kitchen finishing the baking, then serving banquet (a flaky pastry stuffed with almond paste, a Dutch Christmas tradition). She was a short, stout woman, fleshy and rosy-cheeked. If anyone needed a model for Mrs. Santa Claus, surely she would be the prototype. She scurried from kitchen to living room filling coffee cups and wine glasses and refilling cookie and banquet plates.

Then the other females would call for her to sit down so the presents could be opened. The males would have been content to keep eating, but they were overruled. So she found her chair, the one with the straight back, arms and a soft cushioned seat. The presents were passed. The paper flew. And the laughter crested as the joy spread.

But the evening never ended until we sang. "Put the presents down," she would say. "What would you like to sing?" Then, with Aunt Nell's soprano and my dad's bass leading the way, we all joined in. One of my sisters might play the old upright, but accompanied or not, we sang.

We sang carols. We sang the songs of angels and shepherds and wise men. If we slipped to a carol that wasn't about Jesus, Grandma would suggest another one as soon as a verse was done. Gently, softly, she drew us back from our greed and our forgetfulness. She pulled us with her love to what we knew was the heart of her life.

She remembered the old songs. Probably as the years went by she remembered them more in Dutch than in English. Her love drew us to her faith, to her Savior. She asked what we received, what we had learned for the Sunday School pageant. But always she asked if we knew what Christmas was really about. In love she gently told us again and again that the God who had made us had been born at Christmas to help and save us.

I wish for all of you who read this a Merry Christmas. I wish you a time of food and song and presents and joy. I wish you a "grandma" of character and faith.

I wish for us all a remembering of Jesus in our forgetful lives.

Tour of Detroit churches is Dec. 27

Detroit Historic Churches Association will present its annual tour of churches from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27.

The cost is \$15 and includes secured parking, lunch, the tour and transportation. All tours begin at Historic Trinity

Christmas Eve at Historic Trinity

Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, 1345 Gratiot in Detroit, will hold three Christmas Eve services this year. At 7 p.m. the service will be a Festival of Carols and Lessons, focused on children; at 9 p.m., a Festival Candlelight service is scheduled; and at 11 p.m., there will be a Festival Candlelight celebration of holy communion. For more information, call 567-3100.

Lawyer's Auxiliary holds annual tea

The Grosse Pointe Lawyer's Auxiliary held its annual Christmas tea at the home of Mrs. David Hempstead on Dec. 8. Members brought toys for children to be distributed by the Aurora Corp., a subsidiary of Michigan Health Care. The group voted to help fund the Safe Rides program at Grosse Pointe North and South high schools and the Racial Justice Center of Grosse Pointe.

Lutheran Church, 1345 Gratiot in Detroit.

There will be two choices of tours. Tour A includes Christ Church Detroit, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian, St. John Episcopal, Most Holy Trinity Catholic, Old St. Mary Catholic and Historic Trinity Lutheran.

Tour B includes Central Methodist, Metropolitan Methodist, Cathedral Church of St. Paul Episcopal, Fort Street Presbyterian, St. Anne's Catholic and Historic Trinity Lutheran.

For information or reservations, call 567-3100.

Pettipointe Questers

Pettipointe Questers No. 243 held its annual Christmas luncheon on Dec. 3 at the home of Jeanne Cornelle. The theme for the luncheon was "Christmas in Belgium." The speaker was Margaret Roets. Rose Mears and Claudette Taylor demonstrated lace-making.

English Speaking Union holds party

The English Speaking Union held its Christmas party Dec. 9 at the Country Club of Detroit. Many members attended in their Scottish tartans. The program included bagpipe tunes played by Tyge Cawthon and a vocal program of Christmas songs by Mrs. Ray Plummer.



TV Dialogue

The Archdiocese of Detroit will present "Dialogue" on Channel 20 beginning at 8 p.m. Dec. 29.

The program will feature Archbishop Adam J. Maida fielding questions from journalists and local Catholics.

From left, are Archbishop Adam J. Maida; Grosse Pointer Ned McGrath, director of communications for the Archdiocese; Mary Beth Dillon of The Observer; Roger Weber of WDIV-TV; and Kate DeSmet of The Detroit News.

Bridge

HAVE A PLEASANT TRY AT PERFECTION BRIDGE BY WOODY BOYD

One of the Ben Hur's of twentieth century bridge was the legendary Howard Schenken. A great deal of lore was related to his play and our libraries are full of his sage assertions. One that he uttered some forty years ago was, "A major tragedy of our game is the hundreds of players who have the talent to become very good, but they don't! It is the training, the discipline and the necessity that is lacking and few have the real desire to tackle that."

I have a modern day case in point that will support Mr. Schenken's dictum. I cite as evidence my distant second cousin, loosely patched together Lester from Feather Blue Heaven, Utah. A decade ago he went bananas over bridge. Today he is unquestionably the Diabloland duplicate clubs most able and ardent player yet this proficiency is far below his natural potential. In my opinion there's two reasons for this. What time he can spare from the adornment of his person he devotes to the neglect of his game and there is little that motivates him to be more than the master of his urban sandy hamlet.

Today's hand seemed to me to be excellent subject matter for cousin Lester to comment on so I sent it to him with just one question. Would you rather declare or defend this six slam mystery? (See diagram at right)

A few days later, a lengthy reply arrived which stated in the most earnest terms that he would declare and win twelve tricks easily against any defense. To me that seemed reasonable until he portrayed his play.

"I'd win the spade in dummy and run five hearts eliminating West's supply. East would have to find five discards for the hearts and pitch two more spades and three clubs protecting the queen. I'd take the diamond finesse which East would win and be forced to return a minor. I'd win in dummy and play any remaining high minors. Then I'd ruff a club and claim."

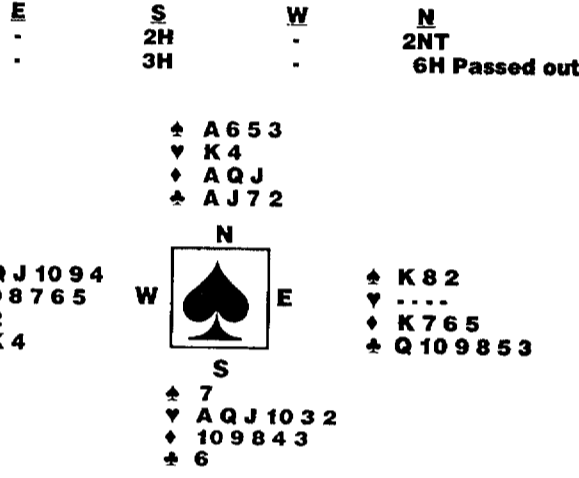
Of course only the best from Feather Blue Heaven, Utah could be so steeped in sapheadedly adiemindedness. And in time I intended to tell him. What if on declarer's first six tricks East pitched two spades, three clubs and a diamond then when East won the diamond king he returned his last spade?

South would be forced to ruff with his last trump, play to dummy's remaining high diamonds, but could never get back to his hand. Another Rembrandt defense would be to duck the first three dummy diamond plays. Declarer would then have to use his last trump to continue diamonds from his hand which East would then win and play a club to dummy's ace locking him there!

Just as I was concluding my contemplation of Lester's less than expert technique, he was calling long distance with a mind change. "I'll defend and against proper defense there's absolutely no way declarer can make!"

"Oh!" says I, "Are you sure?" He was willing to bet the last sandy pebble in the Sahara so I said, "Try this!"

"Win dummy's three aces and play five trumps pitching the queen, jack of diamonds! Then play the diamond ten. You've now preserved your last trump to ruff East's return after winning his diamond king... As you can imagine there was a long pause and then a polite, "Good bye Uncle Woody." As Mr. Schenken said, "It's the training, discipline and the necessity that is lacking and few have the desire to tackle that."



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Shopping tip: Kids will like Muppets, not 'Toys'

Muppets make magical musical

By Marian Trainor
Special Writer

An old and revered Christmas story is given a bright and lively spin in "The Muppet Christmas Carol."

It brings that beloved classic down to the level of the Muppet crowd without losing any of the charm of the original Dickens story. It is a gilt-edged Christmas card with its colorful Muppet cast and sprightly music.

All the favorites are on hand: The Great Gonzo, Kermit the Frog, Rizzo the Rat, Fozzi Bear and Miss Piggy. And these characters don't just decorate the landscape. They act.

They are such scene stealers that they upstage a talented and creative actor like Michael Caine who plays the role of Scrooge enthusiastically and well but still takes second billing to the Great Gonzo, who plays Charles Dickens, who narrates the story.

Next in line for honors is Rizzo the Rat, Gonzo's long-suffering sidekick and co-narrator when he is not busy scrounging goodies or being used as a window-wiper.

When the familiar adventures begin, they include Statter and Waldorf, the two old hecklers, as the ghosts of Jacob Marley and his brother Robert. It's a hilariously funny scene.

Kermit and Miss Piggy are Bob and Mrs. Crachit, Fozzi is Old Fozzwig and other familiar faces fill out the smaller roles.

The special effects in the film are enchanting. We see Scrooge holding on to the tiny elfin hand of the Ghost of Christmas

The Muppet Christmas Carol

Rated G; nothing objectionable

Starring Michael Caine, Kermit the Frog, The Great Gonzo and Miss Piggy

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Past, as he flies through the air like Superman.

In Christmas Present, we meet a chortling giant who brings Scrooge to terms with what he's doing to others and in Christmas Future, we see his inevitable fate and the results of the life he wasted putting money before loving relationships. It's a heavy message but one delivered in such a way that children will understand it.

The film ends on a joyous note with Caine standing in front of a crowd of Muppet characters, singing "Wherever you find love, it feels like Christmas."

"The Muppet Christmas Carol" was co-produced and directed by Brian Henson, son of the late Jim Henson. Brian has inherited his father's talent for creating ingenious puppets and the technical skill needed to deliver an outstanding production.

Screenwriter Jerry Juke does a good job of retelling the Dickens classic in terms that children will understand while still retaining the story's impact and central message.

All in all, this holiday visit by the Muppets is a welcome Christmas event.

Bright, but bad, boring, banal

By Ronald J. Bernas
Staff Writer

"Toys," Barry Levinson's newest film, begins with a magical, mystical children's Christmas pageant.

As it snows, little ones dressed as tree ornaments, gingerbread men and candy canes dance as Santa floats presents attached to parachutes to the excited children. Then they begin a song, "If I cannot bring you comfort, at least I'll bring you hope."

It's a beautiful moment. If the rest of the movie holds up to the feeling in the opening scene, one thinks, it's going to be a heck of a ride.

But before long the film falls apart, offering neither comfort for children nor hope for adults. In fact, in a particularly disturbing finale, the children in the audience were visibly upset. And the adults were visibly bored — those who stayed to the bitter end, that is.

The overly long and poorly plotted story is about the Zevo Toy Co., whose founder dies. Instead of leaving the company to his son, Leslie (Robin Williams), he bequeaths it to his brother, a career military man, who is still waiting for a big war to prove himself. It seems Korea and Vietnam weren't enough for him.

The father's expectation was that his brother, General Zevo (Michael Gambon), would run the company into the ground, forcing Leslie to finally grow up.

Toys

Rated PG-13; disturbing violence for younger children

Starring Robin Williams and Joan Cusak

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The general does just that, bringing in his own son (LL

Cool J) a specialist in military covert operations, to take care of company security while he produces war toys.

There are only two things the film has going for it: The sets and Joan Cusak.

The sets are as magical and fun as anything ever seen on screen. They're reminiscent of Oz or of Willy Wonka's incredible Chocolate Factory, earning "ooooo" from the audience.

Too bad similar attention wasn't paid to the plot. The sets are ruined when the action takes place on them.

Cusak, as Leslie's bizarre sister Alsatia, is always a joy to watch, and here she gets to be her quirky best, but it's not enough to save the movie.

Williams is more restrained than usual, but still relies on his improvised comedy routine. It worked well in "Aladdin," but falls flat here.

There are a thousand better ways to spend six bucks this holiday season than going to see "Toys."



Anne Capron and Peter Toran star in "The Real Thing" at the Hilberry Theatre.

Lighter touch would have given a 'Real' lift

By Ronald J. Bernas
Staff Writer

Tom Stoppard's "The Real Thing" is about a lot of things. It's about love.

It's about fidelity and infidelity.

It's about a writer's relationship to his work.

It's about taking chances, about going too far and about not going far enough.

It's the not going far enough part that plagues the Hilberry's production of the Tony-winning play.

The centerpiece of the play is a love affair between Henry (Peter Toran), a playwright, and Annie (Anne Capron), an actress for whom he leaves his wife.

Henry has made a career of turning his personal tragedies into mediocre stage plays. His plays don't go far enough. He's too concerned with perfecting cute wordplay than he is in getting to the heart of the matter.

He expounds at length — in life, not in his plays — on love, on the rules and regulations for relationships. But hearts don't follow rules.

Theater must also follow rules, he says. Annie's latest project, a television play written by a dissident, doesn't fit his rules. It lacks the skill of a real playwright, but has the passion Henry can't seem to find.

A play as wordy as "The Real Thing" needs to be directed with a light touch. That isn't the case here. Director Anthony Schmitt has laid a

The Real Thing

A Tom Stoppard play about marriage and infidelity

At the Hilberry Theatre in repertory through Feb. 25

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heavy hand on the actors. They don't talk, they have conversations in which every word is fraught with meaning. Even the lighter moments are weighed down with insight. That's not necessarily a bad thing, but a play's meaning should reveal itself slowly; it should not be beaten into you.

Although the individual performances are strong, especially Toran's and Capron's, the actors don't seem to connect. The relationships don't feel right. Some of the scenes — one in the second act between Henry and his ex-wife Charlotte (Lynnae Lehfeldt), for example — feel real, but when contrasted with the rest of the play, they point up the nearly unbearable heaviness of the production.

A lighter touch would have gone a long way.

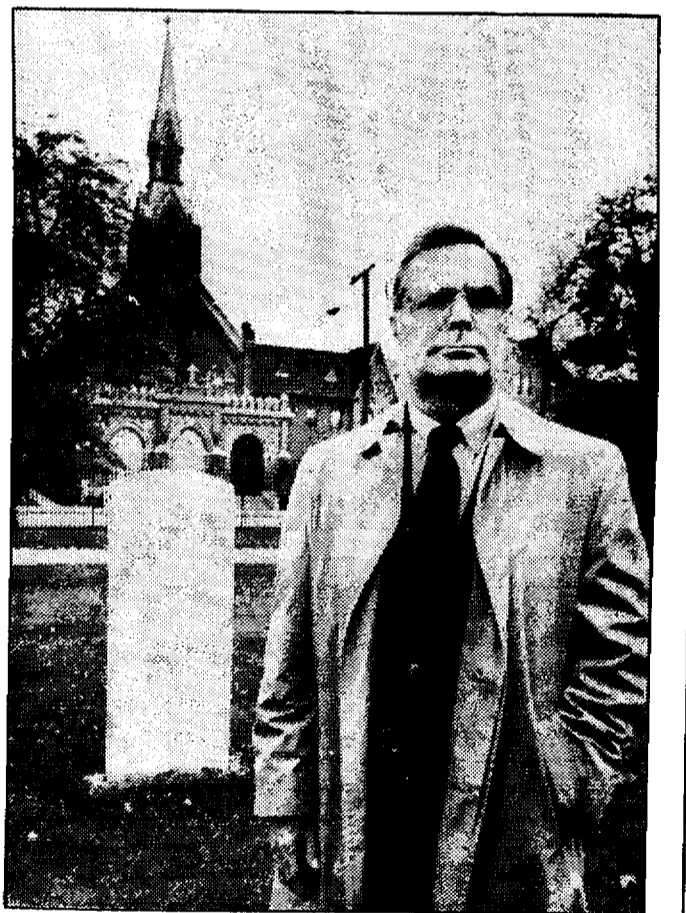
"The Real Thing" plays in rotating repertory through Feb. 25. For tickets and showdates, call 577-2972.

Reprint

Xpressway Publishing announces a special third edition of its popular novel "Two Weeks in the Forties" by Grosse Pointe Farms author T. R. Peters Sr. (right) including, for the first time, illustrations by Jon Beuchel.

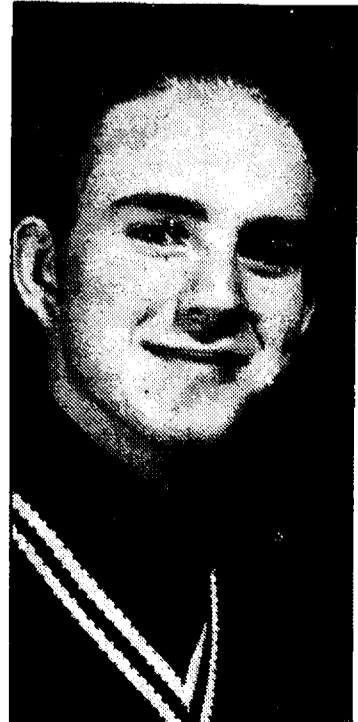
The Detroit Free Press called the book "lively and powerful" and The Detroit News said it "would make an absorbing movie." This new edition includes over a dozen charming and nostalgic illustrations by the well-known artist. His depictions not only bring Peters' memorable characters joyously to life but also highlight several of Detroit's best-loved landmarks like the Scott Fountain on Belle Isle and a 1940s vintage Briggs Stadium.

The book is available at local bookstores.



Tom 'n Jerry

Made by Georgene Novelties Inc. in 1949, these Tom and Jerry stuffed cloth dolls are among the 54 toys from the Lawrence Scripps Wilkinson Collection that are on display throughout the holidays until Jan. 3, at Edsel & Eleanor Ford House. The public is invited to tour the exhibit as well as the house Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call 884-4222.



Andrew McKim



Jennifer Andary

Students earn scholarships

On Saturday, Dec. 5, two Grosse Pointe South students were awarded scholarships at the Michigan Thespian Festival held at Lamphere High School.

Seniors Jennifer Andary and Andrew McKim auditioned for the two available monetary theater scholarships, along with many students from across the state.

It was the first time in the history of the festival that two students from the same school received both awards. The money will go to the college of their choice, where they both plan to major in music theater, but both are currently undecided on where they will study.

The two are actively involved in many of South's choir groups as well as in the Pointe Players drama productions.

Going to a movie? Check out 'Now Showing,' page 7B

The Match Box is a listing of local events. To be included, fill out the form on this page. Call 882-0294 with any questions.

Bop(harvey), Michigan's best-known reggae band, will perform at the Majestic Cafe in Detroit on New Year's Eve. Tickets are \$15. Doors open at 9 p.m. Call 833-9700.

THE MATCH BOX

Compiled by Ronald J. Bernas



"The Odd Couple - Female Version" plays at The Heidelberg through Jan. 13.

MUSIC

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra will present Tchaikovsky's ballet "The Nutcracker," through Dec. 30 at the Fox Theatre. Tickets for children and seniors are half price at matinee performances. Call 833-3700 or Ticketmaster at 645-6060.

The Bluesaders Blues Band will appear Dec. 26 at Mr. Lou's Rhythm and Blues on Mack. Call 882-1700.

The Sun Messengers with Cornelius "JuJu" Johnson and Lyman Woodward, will perform at 9 p.m. Dec. 27, at Sully's Bar, Greenfield in Dearborn. Call 846-1920.

ART

Calligraphic and watercolor works of local artist and teacher Maureen E. Wickstrom will be on display at Warren City Hall Gallery, 29500 Van Dyke in Warren. Call 756-4294.

Works of Jack Summers, Grosse Pointe South High School art instructor, are included in a photography exhibition at the Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester through Dec. 24.

Lynn Cazabon, a former student of Summers, is also an exhibitor at the show.

Anderson & Co. Fine Arts will present "Winter Wonderland: A 19th Century Retrospective," a collection of

American oil paintings through Jan. 15 Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 886-6652.

Gallerie 454 in Grosse Pointe will exhibit a collection of landscape paintings from American and European artists through December. Hours are 10-6 Tuesdays-Fridays; 10-5 Saturdays. Call 822-4454.

The Detroit Institute of Arts will host an exhibition, a retrospective of Helen Levitt's 50-year career in photography, in the Albert & Peggy De Salle Gallery through Jan. 10. Call 833-7963.

The Detroit Artists Market will hold its annual holiday sale, "Serendipitous Season," through Dec. 24. Featured will be furniture, paintings, glass, ceramics, jewelry, holiday decorations and unusual housewares. Call 393-1770.

Posterity: A Gallery in the Village is featuring the work of artist Jim Clary, focusing on his series "The Great Storm of November, 1913." Call 884-8105.

The Troy Art Gallery in Royal Oak will present holiday gifts such as hand-painted silk scarves and purses, decorations and paintings through Jan. 2. Call 548-7919.

The Detroit Artists Market, 300 River Place in Detroit, is holding its annual holiday sale through Dec. 24 featuring handmade original art gifts. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Fridays until 8 p.m. Call 393-1770.

"Many Voices One Spirit" is an exhibition of the art of the nations of native Americans in the Great Lakes area at the Swords into Plowshares

gallery, 33 E. Adams in Detroit. The exhibit runs through Dec. 29. Gallery hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 965-5422.

Work of renowned Croatian artist Ivan Lackovic Croata and several other Croatian artists will be exhibited at the Henry Ford Centennial Library in Dearborn through Jan. 4. The exhibit is sponsored by the Almae Matris Alumni Croaticae, an association of friends of the University of Zagreb. Proceeds from the exhibit and sale go to Croatian orphans and students. Call 522-0837.

In addition to its established inventory of original John James Audubon prints, Douglas Kenyon, Inc. of Grosse Pointe has recently acquired complete sets of the first Octavo Edition of The Birds of America (1840), the Bien (American) Edition of The Birds of America (1860) and all 150 prints from The Viviparus Quadrupeds of North America. Call 881-2144.

THEATER

Andrew Lloyd Weber's "Phantom of the Opera" runs at the Masonic Temple Theatre through Feb. 14. Call 832-2232.

Meadow Brook presents its 11th season of "A Christmas Carol" and performances will be given Tuesdays through Sundays until Jan. 3 at the theater on the campus of Oakland University in Auburn Hills. Call 377-3300.

"A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum," the classic

musical-comedy farce will play at the Attie's Strand Theatre in Pontiac Wednesdays through Sundays through Jan. 10. Call 335-8100.

Wayne State University's Hilberry Repertory Theatre is running William Shakespeare's "Hamlet" through Jan. 29, "Nothing Sacred" runs through Feb. 4, and "The Real Thing" through Feb. 25. Tickets range from \$8 to \$15. Call 577-2972.

"The Odd Couple - Female Version" will be performed in dinner theater at the Heidelberg on Wednesdays through Jan. 13. Dinner is at 6:30 show is at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$17.50 for both dinner and show. Call 469-0440. The Heidelberg is also presenting a special New Year's Eve showing of "Saving Grace," complete with dinner, dancing and show for \$29.95 a person. Call 469-0440.

CINEMA

The Detroit Film Society at the Detroit Public Library will

present the 1935 version of "Les Miserables" starring Frederic March and Charles Laughton and the 1946 classic "Gilda" starring Rita Hayworth at 8 p.m. Jan. 8 and 9. Call 833-4048.

HAPPENINGS

David Alan Grier and Jamie Foxx from television's "In Living Color," and Ellen

Cleghorne from "Saturday Night Live" perform in a comedy showcase at 8 p.m. Jan. 1. Tickets are \$25. Call 396-7600.

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center is holding its annual Berry Memorial Lecture and Subscription Luncheon at 10:30 a.m. Jan. 8 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The lecture is called "Casual Elegance and Why It Is Now The Vogue" will be presented by Libbey Hodges Oliver, manager of floral service for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Coffee is at 10 a.m., with the lecture following. Lecture is \$7.50; luncheon and lecture is \$13.50. Reservations must be made by Jan. 4. Call 881-4594.

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Cleaning out the 'In' box

This is the time of year that I clean out the mailbox:

• The State Department's new Consular Affairs Bulletin Board, a computer information service, is getting more than 100 calls a day, both from agents and potential travelers, according to Travel Weekly magazine.

By calling and hooking into the bulletin board, people can obtain up-to-date information about security alerts, information on passports, visas and medical requirements, general tips for first-time travelers and emergency information for U.S. citizens in foreign countries.

More than half the callers used the occasion to download or copy information.

The bulletin board provides the first and only free public access to the Overseas Security Advisory Council Bulletin Board, which offers security information that was previously available only to the intelligence community and certain multinational corporations.

Among the items users can read and download are security alerts, recent incident reports, profiles of terrorist and criminal groups and a list of anniversary dates that could be meaningful to certain groups.

Recent callers inquiring about specific security threats in Colombia learned, for example, that demonstrations and marches were being planned by insurgents to mark the Oct. 13 anniversary of Columbus discovering the Americas.

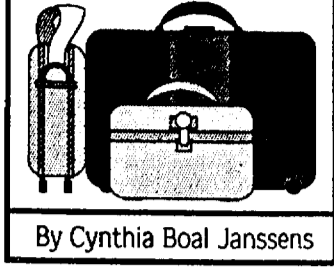
Users pay only for the phone call and no special software is required. You do need a modem, of course. Users of any IBM-compatible or Apple/Macintosh computer can log on with any general purpose communications program by calling (202) 647-9225.

Modem speeds of up to 14,000 bps are accommodated at eight data bits, one stop bit and no parity (for those computer literates).

Upon learning all this, I gave it a try. It was simple to sign on through my Procomm program and the menus were clear and concise. Because I am about to leave for a cruise to the Caribbean, I wanted to see information about that part of the world.

The bulletin board informed me that there were travel advisories for Cuba and Haiti and that malaria and polio were problems in Haiti and some parts of the Dominican Republic that border Haiti. It even

TRAVEL TRENDS



By Cynthia Boal Janssens

contained information about what I should do if I wanted to arrive by my own boat or plane and if I were bearing firearms.

Any of this information could be printed out for further use. The State Department began this service to provide more information to travelers and to stem the flood of phone calls it receives every day from those traveling abroad.

• A couple weeks ago, I gave you some information about travel newsletters. Here's more:

The "Consumer Reports Travel Letter" gives ratings, recommendations and evaluations, price comparisons of airlines, hotels and car rental companies, combined with a healthy dose of travel tips and advice. This company's reputation is, of course, impeccable. It is published monthly and yearly subscription is \$37. Write: Consumers Union, Box 51366, Boulder, CO 80322-1366.

"Entree" provides an insider's look at hotels, restaurants and travel world-wide in a New Yorker-esque style. It is published monthly and costs \$59. Write: ENTREE Travel, Box 5148, Santa Barbara, CA 93150. Phone: (805) 969-5848.

"The Educated Traveler" offers information on special-interest tours and insider tips. Each issue includes a thematic table of tours related to that issue's focus. It is published bi-monthly and costs \$39 a year. Write: The Educated Traveler, Box 220822, Chantilly, VA 22022. Phone: (800) 648-5168.

• Not too long ago when all the airlines were trying to streamline their fare structures, they decided to eliminate "bereavement fares" — special discounts given to those who must travel in haste because of a death in the family.

Fortunately, United and American have reinstated discounts for passengers who must travel to the funeral of an immediate family member. It is expected that USAir will follow their lead. Most of the other airlines have kept their special fares.

Cynthia Boal-Janssens's Travel Trends column appears on alternate weeks in this space.

Cooking a leg of lamb isn't too baad

Lamb, a holiday tradition in many parts of the world, is becoming more popular in the United States as people seek variety with holiday menus. Turkey, once available only at Thanksgiving, has become a regular meal selection year round, and cooks are now seeking something deliciously different but simple to prepare.

Lamb wears the label of simple elegance well. The majority of Americans have enjoyed lamb while dining out and are unaware how quickly and easily they can prepare the same delicious entree at home. The winter holiday season brings an abundant supply of American lamb at very good prices.

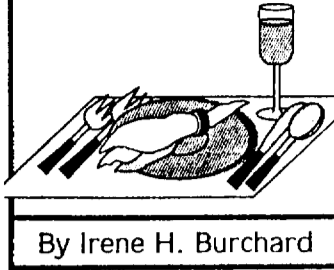
A large boneless leg of lamb feeds the entire clan as they gather at grandma's house, but many smaller boneless cuts are available for the more intimate holiday dinners. A new boneless top round roast, taken from the leg of lamb, makes a wonderful meal to serve 4 to 6. Seasoned lightly with herbs and a crumb crust, then roasted for less than an hour, it's a taste delight. Don't forget the rack of lamb or thickly sliced loin chops which again can be marinated and grilled or broiled in less than 20 minutes.

Pre-seasoned, boneless leg of lamb is now available and eliminates time spent with your nose in a cookbook looking for marinade recipes. It is available in both a small half leg which will roast unattended in less than an hour and the larger full leg which serves family and friends with extra-hearty appetites.

Nothing is easier during that frantic holiday rush than placing a roast in the oven unattended and enjoying time with the family while it cooks.

Don't be afraid of leftovers as lamb can be ideal for casse-

ELEGANT EATING



By Irene H. Burchard

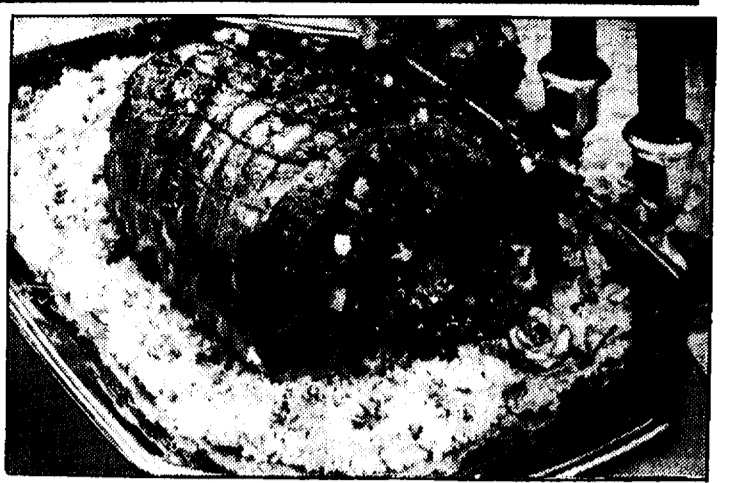
roles, soups, and sandwiches after the big event.

Are you nervous about your first attempt at cooking lamb? There are really only two basic guidelines to follow. Lamb has little internal marbling so to preserve its juicy tenderness cook at a low temperature. The American Lamb Council suggests using a meat thermometer and cooking to 150 degrees for medium-rare or 160 degrees for medium. If you are not using a meat thermometer, cook your roast 20 to 25 minutes per pound for medium-rare and 30 minutes per pound for medium. Remove lamb from the oven, cover with foil and let it rest about 10 minutes for easier slicing. The inside of the lamb should still be pink and juicy.

Consider these interesting, easy and delicious leftover ideas for lamb. That is, if there are leftovers. Layer slices of lamb with your famous stuffing and top with a yummy brown gravy; pop in the oven or microwave until heated through. Combine wild rice pilaf, mushrooms and slivers of cooked lamb for a microwaveable casserole. Warmed slices of lamb au jus are delightful for sandwiches. Make a barley or lentil vegetable soup with cubes of cooked lamb. That combination is not only tasty but a nutritious low-fat dish for today's healthier lifestyles, as well as a good balance to the other high-calorie holiday candies, cookies and desserts.

Garlic and Herb Stuffing for Lamb

1 boneless leg of lamb, rolled



- (5 to 7 pounds)
- 1/2 cup fresh chopped parsley
- 1/2 t ground thyme
- 2 T chopped shallots or green onions
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1/4 t powdered ginger
- 1 t salt
- 1/4 t coarse, round black pepper

Mix all ingredients well. Remove netting from boned, rolled leg of lamb and unroll. Spread the ingredients evenly over the lamb. Reroll and return to netting. Roast on rack in slow oven (325 degrees) for 20 minutes per pound for medium-rare or 30 minutes for medium.

Lamb and Stuffing Dinner Casserole

- 2 T oleo
- 1 clove garlic minced
- 1 cup chopped onions
- 1 can (14 ounces) chicken broth (divided)
- 1 cup carrots, coarsely shredded
- 1/4 cup fresh parsley, minced or 1 T parsley leaves, crumbled
- 1 (6 ounce) box stuffing mix, herb flavored
- 12 ounces cooked fresh American lamb, cut in cubes or 1 pound ground lamb, cooked and drained
- 1 (8 ounce) can tomatoes, drained and chopped

Melt oleo over medium heat and saute garlic and onions for one minute. Add 1/4 cup of broth, carrots and parsley. Cover and cook until carrots are crisp-tender, about 5 minutes. In large bowl lightly com-

bine stuffing mix and lamb. Add vegetable mix, remaining broth, and tomatoes. Toss lightly until well-mixed. Spoon into a greased 8" x 8" x 2" baking dish. Cover and bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes or until heated through. Serves 6.

Lamb Tetrazzini

- 1 (8 ounce) package of linguine, cooked according to package directions
- 2 cups cooked fresh American lamb, cubed leg or shoulder
- 2 T oleo or butter
- 1 small onion, diced (1/4 cup)
- 1/4 cup flour
- 2-3/4 cup low-fat milk
- 4 ounce can sliced mushrooms.
- 1/2 t salt
- 1/4 t black pepper
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Topping: 4 slices bread, crumbled and mixed with 2 tablespoons of melted oleo. For easy soft bread crumbs, spread softened oleo over slices of bread and process briefly in a food processor.

Melt 2 tablespoons oleo in medium skillet, add onion and cook until tender but not brown. Sprinkle flour over onion and stir. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly. Add mushrooms with liquid, salt and pepper. Cook over medium heat until slightly thickened and stir in Parmesan cheese. Remove from heat.

Mix cooked linguine, sauce and lamb. Spoon into a greased 12" x 8" casserole. Bake in 350-degree oven for 25 or 30 minutes or until bubbling and slightly browned on top. Serves 8.

Irene Burchard's Elegant Eating column runs on alternate weeks in this section.

Now SHOWING

4 Aladdin (G) - Disney comes up with another winner in this hip, often hilarious tale that's as old as the hills, but as fresh as tomorrow. Reviewed by Ronald J. Bernas.

4 Home Alone 2 - Lost in New York (PG) - A rehash of the first one with a new setting. It still works, though. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

3 Bram Stoker's Dracula (R) - This film is as ponderous and pretentious as its title. Visually beautiful, it offers few scares in its two long hours. With Gary Oldman, Winona Ryder and Keanu Reeves. Reviewed by Ronald Bernas.

4 Jennifer 8 (R) - A detective falls in love with a blind woman he believes will be the next victim of a serial murderer. It's a stylish, smart thriller. With Andy Garcia and Uma Thurman. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

4 The Distinguished Gentleman (R) - A "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" for the '90s. Starring the irrepressible Eddie Murphy. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

4 The Muppet Christmas Carol (G) - With Michael Caine as Scrooge and the Muppets as everyone else, you can't help but be charmed. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

4 A Few Good Men (R) - Tom Cruise as a brilliant legal mind taking on the likes of Jack Nicholson? It got a boost in the ratings because of the audience's enthusiastic response. It would have been better with a few good cuts. Reviewed by Ronald J. Bernas.

5 A River Runs Through It (PG) - Robert Redford turns a moving novel into a stirring, visually stunning film. With Brad Pitt and Tom Skerritt. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

4 Forever Young (PG) - A love story, an adventure story and a comedy rolled into one slightly corny, rather fantastic, charming film. Reviewed by Ronald J. Bernas.

4 Zebrahead (R) - This story of inter-racial love is a modern day "Romeo and Juliet" set in Detroit. Reviewed by Marian Trainor.

Fox presents Broadway

A new "Broadway" subscription series is coming to the Fox Theatre, presented by Cadillac.

The series will offer two of Andrew Lloyd Webber's greatest mega-productions in the elegant setting of Detroit's Fox Theatre: the 20th Anniversary production of "Jesus Christ Superstar"; the timeless musical with nine lives — "Cats"; plus Lerner and Loewe's classic "My Fair Lady" starring Richard Chamberlain. Series tickets can be purchased for as little as \$10 per show.

The all-new national touring production of "Jesus Christ Superstar," assembled on the 20th anniversary of the play, has reunited members of its original Broadway cast — Ted Neely (Jesus) and Carl Anderson (Judas).

"Cats," populated with touching, funny and heroic felines, has delighted audiences the world over with Webber's soaring melody "Memory." The legendary production features

some of the most dramatic costumes, sets and lighting ever to hit the theatrical stage. The worldwide box office grosses for "Cats" currently exceed \$1 billion.

Before "Phantom," "Les Miz" and "Miss Saigon," the classic musical comedy that ruled Broadway was "My Fair Lady." Seats for the original Broadway production were sold two years in advance. A timeless romance with lavish production values, this new national tour stars one of America's most popular actors, Richard Chamberlain.

Series prices are \$95, \$85, \$75, \$70, \$60, \$55 and \$30. A limited number of Super VIP tickets are available upon request. Tickets are available at the Fox Theatre box office, the Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticketmaster locations.

To charge by phone call (313) 645-6666. For more information call the OAI events hotline at (313) 396 7600.

Audition Notices

Grosse Pointe Theatre will hold open auditions from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday Jan. 23-24 at the group's rehearsal hall, 315 Fisher Road, for the 10 parts of all ages in its third show of the season, Neil Simon's "Rumors."

The play is a contemporary farce set at a formal anniversary party, where guests discover the hostess has disappeared and the host has been shot. The actors must have good timing and characterization skills. The play is directed by Pat Villegas, who directed last year's "Noises Off." For more information, call John Guadagnoli at 886-8901.

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Moderate growth forecast for economy, real estate in 1993

Interest rates below 8 percent, renewed consumer confidence in the economy will generate moderate growth in 1993's housing market...

economy's annual growth rate for the first three quarters of 1993 will reach 3.4 percent, compared with 2.7 percent for the first three quarters of this year...

tion of 3.417 million units for 1992. Van Order's outlook for housing and mortgage markets was similar to Tuccillo's growth projections...

The economists generally agreed that the end of the recent presidential election and its negative tone will remove consumer uncertainty over the economy and generate spending...

toward full recovery.

Smith's overall view of the nation's future economic health was more optimistic. He characterized the economy as being "in a new expansion. We're going to have growth this year of 2 percent. Next year should be around 3.8 percent."

said. He added that the Federal Reserve Board's commitment to eliminating inflation will determine the direction of economic recovery.

"It doesn't matter what President Clinton does - there's nothing he can do about the Fed," he said.

Expectations for the nation's economic performance next year, and its effect on real estate markets, were offered by James Smith, professor of finance at the University of North Carolina; Robert Van Order, chief economist of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.; John Tuccillo, NAR's chief economist; and David Lereah, chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America.

The outlook session took place during the association's 85th annual Convention and Trade Exposition. Nearly 20,000 Realtors and guests attended the Nov. 12-17 convention.

Lereah stated that with low interest rates providing favorable conditions for housing, he was "cautiously optimistic" about the recovery.

"The housing industry traditionally leads economic recovery. Recently, it has had modest gains, and so has the economy. For 1993, we anticipate housing will lead with a little more fervor," Lereah said.

According to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., the average commitment rate for conventional, 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages has hovered at 8 percent during 1992. With the exception of Smith, all the economists predicted 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages to fall below 8 percent from current levels of about 8.5 percent.

NAR's Tuccillo said the nation is "groping out of this recession much more slowly than we've left other recessions." He noted that restructuring of personal debt through mortgage refinancing and savings will lead potential home buyers to carefully re-enter housing markets.

Tuccillo predicted that the

Antiques

by Ralph & Terry Kovel

WHAT A DOLL

The words "rag doll" suggest a homemade toy, created from materials found in the house. Perhaps an old cotton stocking was stuffed, the heel embroidered with a face and the body dressed to make a crude figure of a child...

Any doll made of fabric is a rag doll, but collectors now use the words "rag doll," "fabric doll" and "cloth doll" to describe them. This included the Izannah Walker dolls with painted faces that were made about 1873, the date on her patent for the process of molding the faces...

A special type of stocking doll became popular in the 1930s. French and Italian doll makers took thin knit stockings, stuffed them and stitched the faces into realistic-looking elderly men and women. The figures were dressed in typical peasant clothing with hats, wooden shoes, baskets, bundles of wood, tools, knitting baskets or other symbols of work...

Q. My small round footstool is covered with colorful beadwork. The center design is a group of flowers, with a geometric border on the edge. When were beaded footstools popular?

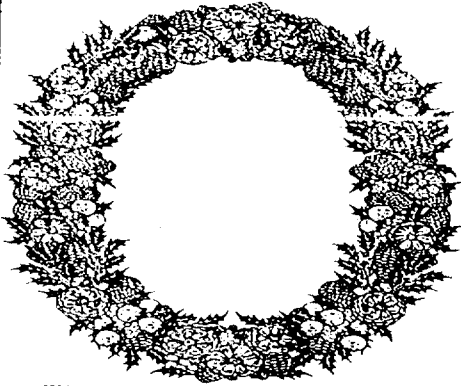
A. Beadwork of all types was used to decorate the Victorian home. Pillows, chairs, bell pulls, valances, fireplace screens, even tea trays were made with tiny glass beads. The dark Victorian room looked better if the light from the candles or oil lamps were reflected in the glass.

In the 1850s women began adding beads to their needlework designs. Printed patterns painted on graph paper were sold as patterns for Berlin work, a special type of wool needlework. Beadwork remained in style until the beginning of the 20th century. Today the old beaded pieces are being restored and used as part of pillows or pictures. A footstool with original beadwork is a prize.

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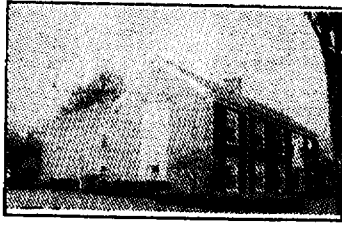
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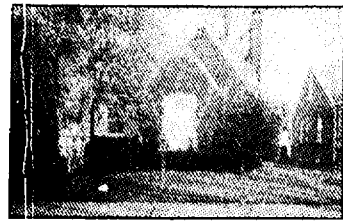
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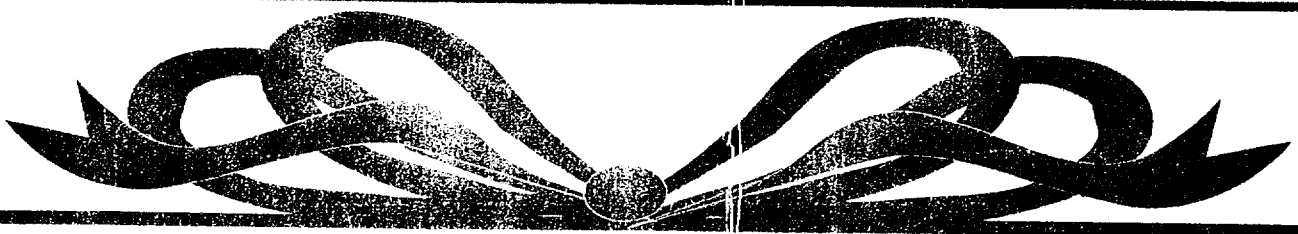
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Very nice brick faced aluminum sided ranch on a premium street. Three bedrooms, newer furnace and water heater, finished basement, and much much more. 27KR21

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Survey finds 7 of 10 renters look forward to home-buying

If you are living in a rented property, chances are seven in 10 that you plan to buy a home someday. If you own your home, chances are one in four that you expect to trade up to a bigger or better home at some time.

These were among disclosures of a recent survey of renters and homeowners conducted by the National Association of Realtors.

The most prevalent reasons for home ownership for both groups were as an investment and pride, followed by a dislike of paying rent and the ability of controlling features in their residences. Nearly half of renters and 56 percent of owners also cited tax advantages stemming from ownership.

Of the 32 percent of renter respondents who said they expected to always rent, nearly half said affordability was the major barrier against owning.

"We think a lot of people who feel this way underestimate their ability to successfully pursue home ownership," said Ruth Clevers, president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors. "Our annual free seminars on homebuying show many attendees unaware of how to take advantage of existing programs designed to assist them and how to formulate a buying plan."

She said studies indicate typical first-time homebuyers save three years or less to make a downpayment.

The Realtor survey also questioned what sacrifice renters were willing to make to save for a downpayment on a home. More than 70 percent listed vacations and nearly that number cited a new car and daily non-essentials. More than half said they would sacrifice entertainment, but were more reluctant to forego appliances, jewelry, new clothes and home furnishings.

"It is interesting to note in the survey results that a third of renters considered buying in the last three years (1988-91),

but changed their minds because of inability to come up with the needed down payment or lack of income to meet

monthly mortgage payments," Clevers said.

"To us, this signals potential for strong growth in the mar-

ket as the overall economy improves. While the local market has remained relatively strong, we know there is still unful-

filled demand being built up. "As more first-time buyers are able to enter the market, more current owners will make

the move to other homes. The survey shows three out of four owners expect to move at least once within the next 10 years."

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946 THREE MILE DR., GPP — BUILT ON ONE OF THE PARKS most sought after streets is this Majestic Colonial offering an open floor plan, large kitchen with built-ins, library, four bedrooms, two and one half baths, stone/brick fireplaces, finished basement, two-car garage on almost an acre of gorgeous landscaping.

19749 W. KINGS CT., GPW — DON'T DO A THING - just move into this beautifully maintained and updated three bedroom ranch offering a nice formal dining room, hardwood floors, cove ceilings, sunroom, finished basement, central air, two-car attached garage and more! Better than new, only \$139,900.

2 LAKESIDE CT., GPC — GREAT WATERFRONT HOUSE with all bedrooms and main rooms offering breathtaking views of the Lake! This beautiful Cape Cod features three bedrooms, two and one half baths, first floor laundry, large kitchen, master suite with dressing area and bath, family room with doorwall leading to the gorgeous terrace, plus!

2057 ANITA, GPW — IT'S UNBELIEVABLE what quality there is in this three bedroom bungalow with an updated kitchen, warming fireplace in the living room, formal dining room, recreation room with full bath, central air and half bath on second floor.

1014 HARVARD, GPP — THE SPOTLIGHT is on this Colonial, professionally decorated and ready to move into, offering four bedrooms, three and one half baths, cozy fireplace in the living room, hardwood floors, updated powder room.

699 BALFOUR, GPP — COMMANDING is the word for this English Colonial with its detailed hardwood floors, beautiful circular staircase, five bedrooms, three and one half baths, three fireplaces, finished basement, library, third floor offers a kitchen and bath. Carriage house is situated over the four-car garage, plus.

525 MOORLAND, GPW — GO AHEAD, FALL IN LOVE with this three bedroom home which offers two and one half baths, two natural fireplaces, new kitchen with built-ins first floor laundry, full basement, attached garage, private grounds with built-in pool.

19944 WEDGEWOOD, GPW — SPACIOUSNESS can be yours in this lovely 2,700 sq. ft. ranch that features three bedrooms, two and one half baths, convenient first floor laundry, three fireplaces, large recreation room, kitchen with built-ins, central air, priced at \$239,000. (Off Doyle Ct.)

1010 N. OXFORD, GPW — SO LUXURIOUS is the professionally decorated Pillar Colonial that is situated on these gorgeous landscaped grounds/brick walkways and offering four bedrooms, two and one half baths, library, large family room.

701 MIDDLESEX, GPP — SO SCARCE are homes like this one for the discriminating buyer that features an incredible family room, library, formal dining room, three fireplaces, five bedrooms, six baths, finished basement with wet bar, jacuzzi/kitchen, three-car garage and more.

1669 ALLARD, GPW — AH-H-H! 1,800 sq. ft. home for under \$120,000 is being offered with this three bedroom Colonial that has been tastefully decorated, featuring a living room with a fireplace, large cozy family room, formal dining room, and breakfast room.

591 OXFORD, GPW — PREMIUM DOUBLE LOT features lit tennis courts, indoor/outdoor pool, brick walkways/slate terrace and surrounds this exclusive home which features a billiard room, huge family room, five bedrooms, four and two half baths, plus many more amenities!

875 ANITA, GPW — THE APPEAL IS REAL, both inside and out, in this lovely ranch home which offers three bedrooms, master bedroom with a half bath, open kitchen with eating area, finished basement with large bedroom and half bath

823 LAKEPOINTE, GPP — FAST ACTION IS A MUST on this charming Executive Colonial with three bedrooms, modern kitchen, eating area, unique living room with fireplace, recreation room all beautifully maintained and ready for occupancy, buy or rent.

708 BALFOUR, GPP — PRETTY AS A PICTURE is this extra wide lot with a one of a kind Colonial boasting of five bedrooms, two full and one half baths, formal dining room that overlooks rear grounds, family room with fireplace, library, attractive breezeway and recreation room. Call for your private showing.

1379 BERKSHIRE, GPP — EXCLUSIVE, PRIVATE & ESTABLISHED describes this English Tudor which offers leaded glass windows/doors, architectural designed moldings, fireplaces, library, breakfast nook, five bedrooms, three and one half baths.

1626 LOCHMOOR, GPW — LONGING FOR A BEAUTIFUL PARK-LIKE LOT? This well-kept English Tudor home boasts of just that along with four bedrooms, three and one half baths, step-down family room, library, three fireplaces, breakfast nook, two and one half garage.

2044 RIDGEMONT, GPW — NEW CONSTRUCTION — This spectacular home is perfect, offering three bedrooms, two and one half baths, master bedroom with bath, spacious kitchen with glass doorwall leading to backyard, central air, two-car garage.

1046 BALFOUR, GPP — ENDLESS EXTRAS come with this quality-built open entrance Colonial boasting of four bedrooms, two and one half baths, large kitchen with eating area, family room with doorwall leading to the 900 sq. ft. elevated deck, and attached garage.

1571 YORKTOWN, GPW — YOUR DREAM HOUSE awaits in this sharp Colonial featuring four bedrooms, formal dining room, Florida room, family room with fireplace, first floor laundry, master bedroom with bath, two-car attached garage, plus.

699 MOORLAND, GPW — HERE'S OUTSTANDING VALUE, just reduced home offers a master bedroom with private bath, updated kitchen with new counters, appliances, comfortable sunken family room with fireplace, french doorwall leading out to rear patio, finished basement with wet bar, Hurry!

22 WEBBER, GPP — ELEGANTLY APPOINTED is this home constructed by old world craftsmen and professionally decorated in every sense. Over 12,000 sq. ft. of beauty found in the living room, dining room, library, Florida room, recreation room ballroom, plus much more! Owners want to see all offers.

682 ANITA, GPW — PRIDE IS DISPLAYED throughout this charming brick ranch with many custom touches, that offers a master bedroom with bath, family room, eating area and full pantry, finished basement with wet bar, two and one half car garage.

230 LEWISTON, GPP — A PICTURE POSTCARD is this custom-built Colonial situated on a hilltop with a wide sweeping front yard and beautiful views, offering six bedrooms, four and one half baths, master bedroom has sitting room and fireplace, spacious kitchen with eating space/butler's pantry and much more.

1688 LOCHMOOR, GPW — YOU CAN'T MISS with this home that offers five bedrooms, three and one half baths, guest suite with a private staircase, modern kitchen, circular drive leading to the two and one half attached garage.

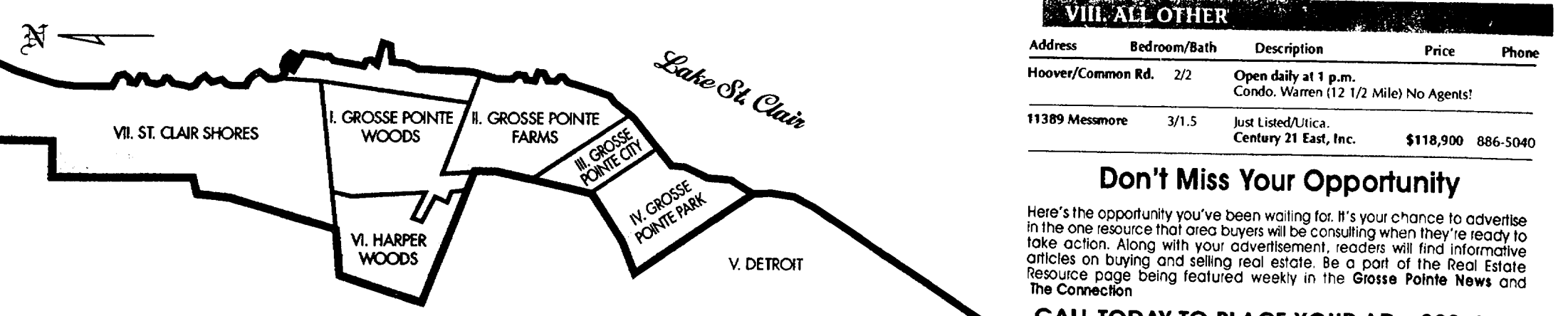
657 HOLLYWOOD, GPW — MOTIVATED SELLER — WOW! This special three bedroom home features an updated kitchen, eating area, formal dining room, hardwood floors, and a large family room.

723 UNIVERSITY, GPC — LOCATION LOCATION is what this special home offers, besides the three bedrooms, the fireplace in living room, library, formal dining room, family room and comfortable sitting room.

750 MIDDLESEX, GPP — ONE OF A KIND HOME, BUILT WITH OLD WORLD CRAFTSMANSHIP... offers so many extras, from the four bedrooms, two and one half baths, to the warmth of four fireplaces and the unique family room with built-in stereo speaker system and wet bar, lovely formal dining room, library overlooking rock garden, basement, wrap around deck, sunken rear lawn for ice skating, plus so much more!

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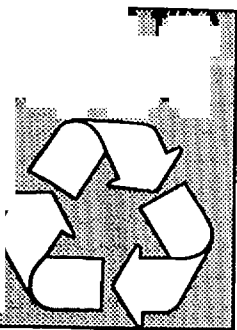
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