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WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, Oct. 10
Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett School high schools host state regional tennis tournaments. Play began at 8 a.m. at each of the sites.
Grosse Pointe North High School is playing in the Division II regional at Warren-Mott High School.

Friday, Oct. 11
Grosse Pointe South High School will hold its homecoming parade at 6 p.m. The parade starts at the Neighborhood Club and will finish at the high school. The parade will be followed by the football game at 7:30 p.m. The Blue Devils will face East Detroit Sherbrooks.

Saturday, Oct. 12
Grosse Pointe North High School Choir Department will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the lobby of the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center.
Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 432-3325.

Sunday, Oct. 13
Tour the kitchens of nine area homes in the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary Kitchen Tour from noon to 5 p.m.
Tickets are \$15 and are available in advance at the Cottage Hospital Gift Shop, Pointe Perspectives, Hurst Appliances, or the Pointe Pedlar. Tickets will also be available the day of the tour at 37 Lochmoor in Grosse Pointe Shores and 816 Grand Marais in Grosse Pointe Park.
For more information, call (313) 884-0218.

Monday, Oct. 14
Meet with Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, from 9 to 10 a.m. in the main floor conference room at the Grosse Pointe Farms city offices.
The Grosse Pointe Park City Council meets at the Park city hall at 7 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at the Wicking Library at Grosse Pointe South High School at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 15
The Grosse Pointe Shores Village Council meets at the Shores municipal building at 7 p.m.

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Photo by Jennie Miller

Walk to School Day

Children flooded the sidewalks on their way to school on Wednesday, Oct. 2, participating in Walk to School Day, an international event to promote physical fitness and decrease traffic congestion.

Nearly all the elementary schools in the district participated in the event.
At Maire Elementary School, all but four students walked or biked to school. Activities were held throughout the day to encourage students to continue the effort.
See story, page 12A.



New president named at St. John Hospital

Mark R. Taylor, a health care executive with a strong track record in financial and quality improvement, has been named president of St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit by the hospital's Board of Trustees. He will begin his new position on November 25, 2002.

Taylor is president and chief executive officer of St. Mary's Health Center in Jefferson City, Missouri, a 287-bed, full-service, acute care hospital with an open-heart surgery program, 45-physician clinic network and extensive community outreach program. Prior to that, he served as senior vice president of Covenant Health Care System, Saginaw, and CEO of its Physician Hospital Organization. He also had served as the system's executive vice president and chief operating officer. Covenant is a 715-bed, three-hospital, teaching health care system.
"Mark's 27-year health care career includes outstanding performance in strategic and financial planning in partnership with physicians and improving patient and employee satisfaction rates. His qualifications best matched the hospital's leadership needs according to the physician leaders and trustees who selected him from a diverse pool of national candidates," said Judge Freddie Burton, chairman of the hospital's board of trustees and chair of the president search committee.

At St. Mary's, Taylor improved annual financial performance by \$14 million. His history of success at improving patient and employee satisfaction (by 63 percent and 35 percent, respectively) further convinced the hospital's search committee that his qualifications best matched the hospital's leadership needs. In partnership with the medical staff, he coordinated a strategic and financial plan that received the "Facet of Excellence" award from the Excellence in Missouri Foundation.
Since 1984, Taylor has served as an instructor in Central Michigan University's Graduate Program in Healthcare Administration.
A Clarkston, Michigan native, Taylor holds a bachelor of arts degree in economics and business administration from Hillsdale College and a master's of health services administration degree from the University of Michigan.

St. John Hospital and Medical Center is a member of St. John Health, a growing network of community-based hospitals and health care services in Southeast Michigan and one of the largest employers in metro Detroit.

Mack-Moross gets temporary use — soccer!

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Soccer games will be rolling onto Mack and Moross as early as next fall.

The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council voted 5-2 to construct a temporary soccer field on the seven-acre city-owned parcel at its Monday, Oct. 7, meeting.

The council's votes weren't nearly as divided as the sentiments of Farms residents who nearly packed the council chambers.

About half of the residents who spoke about the soccer field were against the plan, with most of them expressing concerns that a temporary soccer field could become permanent fixture.

While no council member could guarantee temporary use until 2008, Councilman Louis Theros said, "The temporary label is only as good as the council you elect."

Other concerns centered around cost and liability. Assistant City Manager Shane Jesside said it would cost the Farms about \$42,500. He also said that the Farms looked into partnerships in funding capital outlay and lease agreements.

Rick Jacob, treasurer of the Grosse Pointe Soccer Association, said his group would be willing to assist financially but did not give any specific indications how they would.

Mayor Ed Gaffney said some money may be available if voters approve Proposal K in the Nov. 5 general election, which would turn 1/3 of each 0.5 mil paid by Farms taxpayers back to the city for recreational use.

Other residents were concerned about the field's use by non-residents. Jacob said while the GPSA serves 1,200 kids, about 20 to 30 percent of them are Farms residents.

Aside from soccer field proponents who claimed the Pointes are lacking in field space, Neighborhood Club Executive Director John Bruce was quick to point out that a need for field space was especially crucial since the Grosse Pointe public

schools would have at least one athletic field out of service for renovations each year for the next five years. "Eighty percent of recreational activities take place on school fields," Bruce said. "This will alleviate a challenging situation."

While five council members pledged their support for the field, Gaffney and Councilman Therese Joseph cast dissenting votes.

"I think it would be unwise to construct something without a master plan and there are too many concerns with the immediate neighbors," Gaffney said.

Joseph said she was concerned with the cost of the project and how it might impede on bigger, more permanent plans.

Reeside said a dormant seeding will allow for light play next fall and full use in spring 2004. Another use will be considered when Kroger's long-term lease expires in May 2008.

LWV airs election programs

Undecided about how to vote for candidates and ballot proposals in the Nov. 5 general election? The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe will air its candidate forum and town meeting on proposals on Comcast Channel 22.

The candidate forum, which features First District House of Representatives candidates Edward Gaffney and Democrat David Putrycus and Third Circuit Court candidates Lynne Pierce and Christopher Dingell, will air Tuesdays, Oct. 15, 22 and 29, at 9 p.m.

A pro and con presentation of the general election ballot proposals will air Mondays, Oct. 14, 21 and 28, at 9 p.m.

Tapes of both programs are also available for rental at the central branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

POINTER OF INTEREST

Paul Hutchings

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
Age: 46

Family: Wife, Jacquelyn; Labrador retriever, Jammer

Occupation: Producer/director for WDIV-TV; Director of Channel 4 news

Quote: "People for the most part know how to think with their brains. When they think with their hearts, they can often make a difference."

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10 years ago this week



Crown Cleaners destroyed by fire

Fire destroyed Crown Cleaners on Jefferson in Grosse Pointe Park, but firefighters saved the Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology building, which abuts the east side of the cleaners. (From the Oct. 8, 1992 Grosse Pointe News. Photo by Donna Walker.)

yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

■ In a forerunner to political correctness, Grosse Pointe Woods gendarmes have descended upon book stands and magazine racks in the community following receipt of a list of "objectionable" literature issued by the office of the Wayne County prosecutor.

Among authors whose works have been deemed verboten are William Faulkner and James T. Farrell.

Police have also jumped on the bandwagon against "other things" objectionable, such as neckties depicting naked women.

■ Plans for a two-story addition to Bon Secours Hospital have been approved by City of Grosse Pointe officials.

Last year, Bon Secours emergency staffers treated 1,377 accident patients. Eighty-two percent of the patients were from the Grosse Pointes. So far this

year, 1,267 emergency room patients have been treated, 84 percent of them Pointe residents.

■ Last year, 5-year-old Bobby LeBlond buried a pumpkin seed in a little dirt in a Dixie Cup. The seed sprouted and he transplanted the vine to the back yard of his Grosse Pointe Woods home.

Now, two bright orange pumpkins have grown, one four feet in girth, the second nearly as big.

25 years ago this week

■ A 34-year-old mother and her two daughters, aged 6 and 5, died in a house fire in the 1700 block of Prestwick in Grosse Pointe Woods. The 6 year old was to celebrate her birthday this Saturday at a party with neighborhood friends.

Preliminary investigation of the 3 a.m. fire indicates an electrical problem.

■ Karen Hollidge of the City of Grosse Pointe is adjusting to life now that she is a mother four times over.

Her 10-week-old quadruplets consist of Kenneth III, Heather, Elizabeth and Dawn.

■ Grosse Pointe Farms officials have approved the final plat for single-family residential development of the former Dodge property named Rose Terrace.

10 years ago this week

■ Christine Ritok, 11, of the 1100 block of Yorkshire in Grosse Pointe Park, is about to celebrate the one-year anniversary of her Yorkshire Gazette.

Ritok founded the quarterly publication, with special editions printed as needed, as a way to make money. Subscriptions cost \$1

per year. Subscribers include Mayor Palmer Heenan, who was interviewed for the latest issue.

■ Arson has been ruled out in last week's Crown Cleaners fire.

Lt. Dave Hiller of the Grosse Pointe Park department of public safety said the fire was caused by faulty electrical equipment.

Flames gutted the cleaners, but firefighters saved the Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology building next door.

■ Police hope a recent arrest will shut down a crime ring that has been working the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

Suspects include a 14-year-old boy from the City, who admitted being involved with a burglary in the 1400 block of Devonshire in the Park in July. Officers arrested the boy's 24-year-old uncle from Detroit. The man has been charged with burglary and inducing a minor to commit a crime.

5 years ago this week

■ Nearly 80 residents living near Grosse Pointe North High School have submitted a petition asking Grosse Pointe Woods officials to do something about student traffic problems in the area of Morningside and Vernier.

City officials have asked SEMCOG for traffic experts to study the area around the school.

■ Finishing touches are being made on the renovated Rite Aid store on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Exterior features include an old-fashioned clock and landscaped walkway between the Kercheval lot, walk and a rear parking lot.

— Brad Lindberg

Library book circulation down; patron count up

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Public Library System's annual report, as presented by library director Vickie Bloom, shows an increase in circulation.

As a whole, circulation was up by 16,824 items. The increase was mainly due to the circulation of the system's audio visual materials, which increased over the past year by more than 23,000 items.

The audiovisual department consists of more than 25,000 items, including compact discs, cassettes, videos and DVDs.

According to Bloom, the most popular items in the audiovisual department are books-on-tape, DVD's and videos.

Book circulation, however, decreased by 6,000 items from last year.

The Park branch saw the highest decrease of book circulation, which was 3,250. The Woods branch decreased by 2,035 and the Central branch decreased by nearly 1,000 books.

The patron count for the year totaled 463,454 for the entire library system.

This count showed an increase from last year for the Central and Woods branches. However the Park branch's patron count decreased by more than 4,000.

Bloom also reported that there was a 3.79 percent increase in the number of patrons registered for a library card.

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✓ **Jeffrey Schroder** will oppose legislation which would weaken tort reform and allow frivolous lawsuits to ruin small businesses.

✓ **Patrick Petz** will act as an advocate for our community in Wayne County government, fighting for our fair share of government revenues to address the needs of our community.

✓ **Patrick Petz** believes that county government must avoid any appearance of impropriety in the awarding of government contracts.

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Woods business owners see red over neon sign ban

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Bewildered Grosse Pointe Woods business owners are trying to make sense of proposed sign restrictions that build a future by turning back time.

"Can we turn this around?" asked Mack Avenue shopkeeper Lisa Rennell. "I get the idea that the city's desire is for people to drive through and not see the businesses."

Rennell's underdog victory over sign limitations last year sent Woods city planners dusting off a 1975 sign ordinance. The document mandated a Colonial theme for the 52-year-old suburb's commercial strip.

Restricted fonts, letter sizes, logos, building colors and architectural styles have lit a flame under business owners.

Angelo DiClementi, a longtime backer of civic events and local charities, had a run-in with city officials two months ago. He overcame city opposition to including a small daisy logo in the spelling of his mom-and-pop gift shop, The Dried Flower.

Even with the victory, he said sign limitations are too severe.

"People have told me they've gone by my store for 30 years and don't know what's inside," he said.

Proprietors have become extra-riled over a possible neon prohibition.

Rennell and other retailers are astounded that recommendations from a special sign committee would impose a Colonial heritage by, in part, outlawing neon signs that have been in place for a generation.

The revised sign ordinance would remove all neon signs installed since 1975. That's the year the current measure — the one being updated — outlawed neon.

"I will oppose that vehemently," said David

Wagensomer, a Woods resident and partner in the Edwin Paul salon and new Edwin Paul Spa, both on Mack.

"Neon signs are essential to our evening operations," said Michael Mehr, owner of the Mack Avenue Diner. "(Our) sign has been in place for years and is crucial to our ability to attract drive-by customers."

Chasing tails

According to Woods records, approximately 45 storefronts sport nearly 90 neon signs along Mack and Vernier.

Most of the forbidden signs glow a green or orange-hued "Open." Some signs spell a company name, others a truncated description of services. There's not a dancing cowboy, twinkling martini glass or flashing thumbs-up in sight.

Members of the city council couldn't explain how the signs got there, given the 27-year-old ban.

Joseph Sucher, head of the planning commission, provided an explanation.

"Selective enforcement of ordinances is coming back to get us," he said in a July 2001 commission meeting.

Rennell doesn't appreciate current entrepreneurs bearing the brunt of nearly 30 years of slack oversight by city leaders.

"They've allowed this for nearly three decades," she said of small, non-flashing neon signs. "It's become an accepted practice. They do not have a good grasp of what we need as business owners."

"There's confusion over there," Daryl Spiker, owner of Oxford Beverage, said with a verbal nod toward city hall. "The city council thinks this, the sign committee thinks that. I don't think anybody knows what direction he's going."

Councilman Eric Steiner opposed flipping back the calendar.

"Some of those signs have been up 15 years," he said.

"In these economic times," added colleague Patti Chylinski, "we have to support our businesses and keep Mack alive. Neon signs aren't garish. Why are we spending so much time on this?"

Business owners said a major problem is seemingly arbitrary rulings about signs and storefronts by appointees to the planning commission.

"Who elected them?" Spiker asked rhetorically.

Pandora's box

It was Rennell's encounter with commissioner Sucher that launched her formation of the Business and Retail Associates of Grosse Pointe Woods.

In a July 2001 meeting, Sucher called the mother of four "this girl here" and challenged her to "truck on over to city council" if she wanted to appeal his committee's denial of her sign application. She did, and won.

Rennell has been named the association's president.

Less than one year old, the group already has nearly 60 members who are becoming increasingly interested in city affairs. Representatives monitor meetings of the Woods city council, planning commission, sign ordinance committee, water main committee and so on.

At a city council meeting this week, Rennell went to bat for association member Patricia Casey, owner of Mack Ave. Drapery & Interiors.

Casey had lost patience with a two-year quest to install a new, non-neon sign containing a script font that didn't conform to city rules about traditional Colonial lettering.

"As independent business owners competing with chain stores," Rennell said, "uniformity is something we can't even think about."

Casey got her sign, but not a vote of confidence.

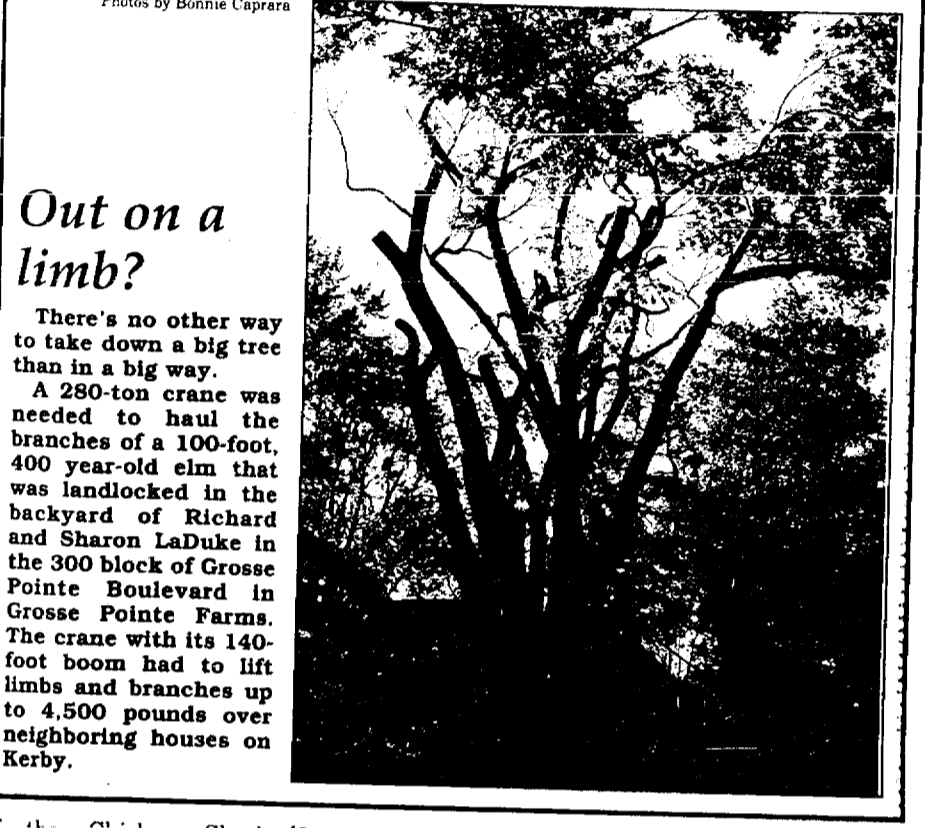
"Small shops are not the future of retail," said Councilman Allen Dickinson. "We'll have trouble sustaining the small shops we have on Mack now."

"Joe Sucher opened a can of worms when Lisa was putting up her sign," Spiker said.

Charles Raffoul, co-owner



Photos by Bonnie Caprara



Out on a limb?

There's no other way to take down a big tree than in a big way.

A 280-ton crane was needed to haul the branches of a 100-foot, 400 year-old elm that was landlocked in the backyard of Richard and Sharon LaDuke in the 300 block of Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms. The crane with its 140-foot boom had to lift limbs and branches up to 4,500 pounds over neighboring houses on Kerby.

of the Chicken Shack restaurant, favors neon signs, and not just at night. When one of his two signs burned out recently, "my day business virtually dried up," he said.

Meaghan Spicer, owner of Meaghan's Place restaurant, said, "I don't know how many people on the (sign) committee have a business on Mack they depend on, but we want to do something to make our business stand out. Signs make a difference in retail."

"Neon is important," agreed Spiker, who has owned his beverage store for seven years. "Let's say they get rid of neon. They're going to force us to put up \$1.99 black and orange

"Open" signs. "I'm not happy about it," said Teri Crosslin. Her neon "Open" sign at

Pointe Medical may succumb to what Spiker called "this so-called Colonial thing."

City man to serve jail time for statutory rape

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

One of two men accused of statutory rape of two 15-year-old girls at a City of Grosse Pointe open house party in December was sentenced to five years probation with the first year to be served in the Wayne County Jail.

Richard Schott, 20, of the City, was sentenced in Third Circuit Court on Wednesday, Oct. 2. His sentencing recommendation came at the request of the victims' families, who also asked that he plea to one count of second-degree criminal sexual conduct — a felony.

Schott, who was 19 at the time of the incidents at his mother's house, was originally charged with four counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct. He pleaded "no contest" in Third Circuit Court on Aug. 23.

If Schott complies with the conditions of his probation — which includes sexual offender counseling, drug and alcohol treatment, participation in the work release program, no contact with females age 17 or under and no alcohol consumption — his sentence will be reduced to fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct, which is a misdemeanor.

Schott was given 17 days credit for jail time for violating a condition of his bond when he was spotted at a Detroit bar the weekend of Sept. 14-15.

Third Circuit Judge Kym L. Worthy said, "This is a non-sentence compared to what I would have done," but said she talked with prosecuting and defense

attorneys and the victims' families before making her decision.

A father of one of the victims, a Grosse Pointe South High School student who was 15 at the time of the incident, said, "Although this is not murder, arson or robbery, there is no greater horror that could happen to our family. Our child's life has been forever changed by someone who wanted to possess and have control over our daughter."

At his sentencing, Schott simply said, "I take the opportunity to offer my apologies for these events."

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Patricia Leonard said, "The victims are satisfied with the results." However, Schott's attorney William Mitchell called the sentencing "tragic."

"This expresses a need for better parenting and to change the law," Mitchell said. "Young men 17 to 19 years old should not face felonies for having sex with 15 year-old girls. It's a gap in the law that needs to be addressed."

"Richard Schott is not an ogre. He's a young man who suffers from the same kinds of problems as other kids from affluent families. He was not the only kid at the party who was abusing substances which led to the alleged act."

William Tyree, 19, of Grosse Pointe Park, was also arrested for statutory rape at the party at Schott's mother's house in December. He pleaded guilty to one count of fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct on June 19 and was sentenced to three years probation on July 26.

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WDIV-TV director believes everybody has a story

By Margie Reins Smith
Assistant Editor

Phil Hutchings has jotted down a few aphorisms — concise principles about what makes people tick and what makes the world run smoothly — things he has learned during his 46 years on Earth.

He pointed to an example: a black Labrador retriever, Jammer, who bounds in the door, ready to greet whoever's inside.

Jammer is an unconditional, eternal optimist. He loves strangers, believes that people are generally friendly and accepting, is absolutely sure that all people he meets are as interested in him as he is in them.

"Dogs are a sure thing," Hutchings says. "Learn from their logic."

Hutchings, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, is a producer/director with WDIV-TV. He directs Channel 4's 11 p.m. news and the Michigan State Lottery drawing, which is a statewide program aired six days a week.

Another personal aphorism: "Everybody has a story."

Hutchings was born in upstate New York. He grew up in Weston, Mass., and attended Syracuse University, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in communications and journalism.

"I wanted to work in TV," he said. "After graduation, I singled out 20 TV markets in the East, wrote a resume, mailed it to all 20 of them and organized my job search with a handful of 3- by 5-inch cards. I waited a few weeks. Then I started driving. As soon as I arrived in each town, I called the station, introduced myself and asked for an interview."

"Usually, the answer was 'Sorry, we don't have any job openings.' But because I was in town, someone would

agree to talk to me," Hutchings said. "I got to talk to folks about 70 percent of the time."

"They all asked the usual job interview questions. I soon realized that the best question I could ask the interviewer in these situations was, 'How did you get into this business?' This always seemed to open up the conversation and foster productive communication."

"I got two job offers from that trip. I took one directing two daily news programs at an NBC affiliate in Bangor, Maine."

Hutchings explained that in the TV business, you start in a small market and grow. "I did this. My goal was to get to Rochester, N.Y., which is a middle-sized market."

He spent a year in Maine, then two years in Binghamton, N.Y., producing and directing TV news and local shows.

Another personal aphorism: "Do something you can be proud of."

"This is a neat business," he said, with obvious enthusiasm. "My job is basically talking and coordinating everyone — like an orchestra leader leads his musicians; or like a flight controller."

The executive producer makes managerial decisions and takes care of the business and money concerns for a show, he explained.

The producer conceives and creates a show. He or she is responsible for scripts, stories, writing, all the elements that make up the show.

The director then takes all these elements and puts them together to present to an audience.

"My job has been described as organized chaos," Hutchings said. "I'm the one with the earphones on, the one who is in the booth. We have a special language we use. A few

POINTER OF INTEREST

words can get a detailed message across. My business is very much a people business. I'm talking all the time. I must work with other people."

After Binghamton, Hutchings reached his goal: He landed a job in Rochester.

"Life was good," he said. "I met my goal. I was in my 20s."

Someone in Detroit at WDIV-TV saw tapes of Hutchings' work, however, and called to ask him to come to Detroit for an interview.

"It was the middle of winter," Hutchings said. "I was happy where I was. I had visions of Detroit: smokestacks, soot on cars, a manufacturing town. I almost said 'No.' But I came anyway."

He spent the weekend in Detroit.

Hutchings had grown up around lakes and water, was a sailor and competitive swimmer; loved fishing and canoeing. On Sunday, he asked how to find Lake St. Clair. He was told to drive east on Jefferson.

He did. He was discouraged. He kept driving. Came to Grosse Pointe. Noticed a difference. Kept driving.

"When I got to Lakeshore Drive where Lake St. Clair becomes visible, my jaw dropped. It was a beautiful sunny winter day. The lake was spectacular."

Hutchings was smitten.

In 1982, he took a job as producer/director at WDIV-TV. "Channel 4 was looking to rebuild," he said. "Mort Crim and Carmen Harlen were new in the market. Today, Channel 4 news is consistently rated No. 1."

After four years, Hutchings left to take a job as production manager of another Post-Newsweek station, an ABC affiliate in Miami. He spent five years there, then four years in Birmingham, Ala.

By 1996 he was back in Detroit. "I heard a rumor that you can never go home again. It's not true. I did and it's great."

Hutchings said that when he's having a bad day, viewers of Channel 4 News know it. "That's the day the wrong story comes up or the camera is in the wrong place or the street reporter is on the air before he's ready."

Hutchings and his wife Jacquelyn have seven television sets in their home. "We stay in touch with what's going on in the world all the time," he said.

Hutchings usually goes to work about 2 p.m.

"On 9/11, after the World Trade Center attack, everyone at Channel 4 started coming into the station. By 10:30 in the morning we had all gathered. It was emotional. We were talking; hugging. Channel 4 reported on



Photo by Margie Reins Smith
Phil Hutchings plays with Jammer, his black Lab, in the back yard of the Grosse Pointe Farms home he shares with his wife, Jacquelyn.

the events all day. Our business is to inform and show. We did it."

In addition to his work at Channel 4, Hutchings has just started a home inspection business, Greenlight Home Inspection Co.

"I've always been interested in homes and in construction. I did the research. I went to Wisconsin earlier this year to get certified. I think I have an eye for detail, an ability to organize and a knack for communicating with people. I hope to develop this into a quality local service company."

He also enjoys woodwork-

ing, restoring antiques, sailing; fly fishing; and collecting Lionel trains.

"My dream is to have a huge shop where I can build things out of wood, refinish old canoes and antiques. I like taking old broken-down things and restoring them," he said. "I guess I'm like my dad, who is a doctor. He deals people. I like to heal things."

Yet another personal aphorism: "People for the most part, know how to think with their brains. When they think with their hearts, they can often make a difference."

Two-year quest ends with new sign

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Patricia Casey has a strategy for overcoming obstacles:

"Keep plugging away and you might get part of your dream."

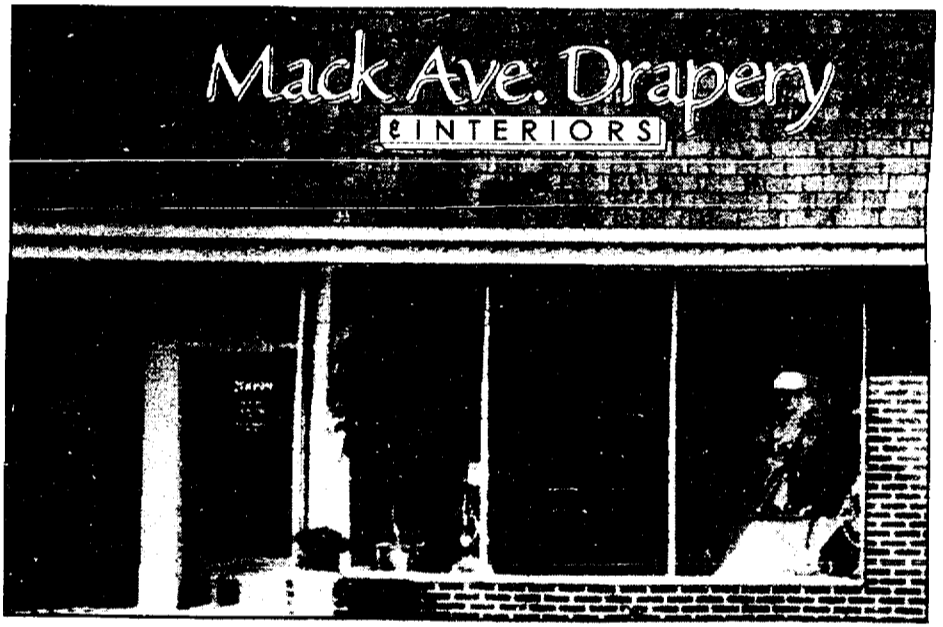
Casey ended a two-year odyssey this week when Grosse Pointe Woods officials finally approved a new sign for her store, Mack Ave. Drapery & Interiors.

"I'm relieved," she said. A few minutes after winning her new sign, Casey ruffled reminiscently through a small stack of permit applications, schematics, letters and rejection slips from the planning commission. The documents marked bureaucratic signposts in her journey beginning Nov. 7, 2000.

Mayor Robert Novitke was sympathetic. "Ms. Casey," he said, "you've been before the planning commission too many times."

Casey bought the drapery shop 12 years ago. Two years ago she decided to update her storefront.

"My company has more to do than draperies," she said. She hired a marketing consultant, added "interiors" to the company name and created a company logo. The final step, a new sign, proved the biggest hurdle.



It took Grosse Pointe Woods business owner Patricia Casey two years to get her new sign shown in this rendering.

Among other problems, the font wasn't Colonial enough to pass muster with members of the planning committee.

Two years of revisions, rejections and appeals took their toll.

"Wouldn't you agree that an updated sign with a creative font for Mack Ave. Drapery & Interiors would be preferred to another 'For Sale or Lease' sign on Mack Avenue" she wrote to the Woods city council.

Ski Movie show is on Oct. 18

Tickets for this year's Matchstick Productions "Ski Movie III," "The Seth Morrison Chronicles" and last year's "Ski Movie II" are on sale at Schummers Ski Shop at 20778 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Show time is Friday, Oct. 18, at the Royal Oak Music Theatre. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$8.

It will be the first time MSP movies will be shown in Michigan.

Industry representatives will be on hand. Prizes will be raffled, including a season pass to Boyne.

Cub Scouts to camp in Lake Front Park

Nearly 65 Cub Scouts are expected to spend tomorrow night at Lake Front Park.

It will be the second consecutive year scouts from Pack No. 85 from Montith Elementary School camped in Grosse Pointe Woods main municipal park.

"There were no problems," said Melissa Warnack, Woods recreation supervisor.

"Scouts will be participating in a few adult-supervised games and activities before retiring for the evening," according to Ruth Remenar, leader of Den No. 3.

Scouts will be chaperoned by parents and pack leaders. Remenar promised that cubs will follow park rules and pick up after themselves.

She said almost all members of Pack No. 85 are Woods residents. Scouts will convene at the park at about 7 p.m. Friday and leave the next morning.

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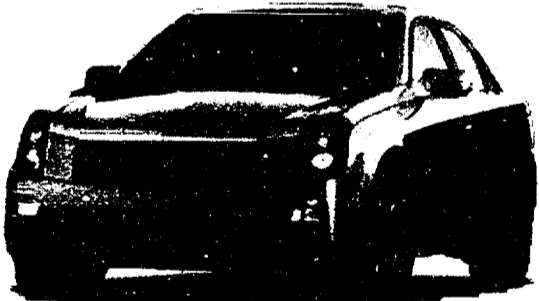


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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Purse stolen

A Grosse Pointe Woods woman's purse was taken from her car parked in a lot on the 16900 block of Kercheval in the City of Grosse Pointe between 10 and 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5.

A left back window was pried open allowing the suspect to remove the purse from the driver's seat.

City woman assaulted

A City of Grosse Pointe woman was injured as an unknown man assaulted her and stole her purse and wedding ring set in her garage in the 500 block of University on Saturday, Oct. 5, shortly after 8:30 p.m.

The unknown man walked into the woman's garage after she parked her car, pointed a handgun at her and said, "Give me your purse, or I'll shoot you." The woman kicked the man in the face and chest before he pistol-whipped her in the face. She then relented before being forced to lie face down in her car.

In the meantime, the woman's husband, who saw the struggle and heard the screams from the house, called 911, but the man took off before public safety officers arrived.

Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Park public safety officers assisted in an unsuccessful search for the man. A K-9 unit from the Detroit Police Department was unable to locate the man as well.

The man is described as a black male in his mid-30s, between 5 feet, 8 inches and 5 feet, 10 inches tall with a stocky build, pudgy face, flat nose and medium complexion. He was wearing a dark knit winter hat, a dark green or brown canvas jacket and black leather gloves. He was armed with a semi-automatic gun.

The victim suffered two fractures in a cheekbone and lacerations on her right cheek and forehead.

Caught the second time

A resident in the 200 block of Fisher in Grosse Pointe Farms, who came home to file a report of a previous larceny, caught a 17-year-old City of Grosse Pointe male trying to break into his house on Monday, Sept. 30, at 10:17 a.m.

The youth, who was suspected of taking \$100 in change out of the house five days earlier, was attempting to gain entry into the home through a milk chute.

Library larceny

An employee of a Grosse Pointe Farms library reported her purse taken while she was away from her desk between 2:30 and 2:40 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 30.

The employee saw a young man leave her office as she returned. She discovered the purse missing about 15 minutes later.

The purse was later found in an aisle in another part of the building. Ten dollars was missing.

The suspect was described as a white male in his late teens to early 20s with a medium to slender build wearing a tan sweater, dark pants and dark shoes.

Ahead of season

Someone decided to get a jump on the snowblower theft season.

A Toro snowblower was discovered missing from a garage in the 200 block of Chalfonte in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Entry was believed to have been gained through an unlocked garage door.

The resident said she heard her dogs barking

around 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

Break-in, no entry?

A contractor arriving at his job in the first block of Fisher in the City of Grosse Pointe discovered back doors kicked-in and a 4 by 12-foot pane of glass broken on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 11:30 a.m.

Nothing in the house appeared to be disturbed. The house was last occupied by workers the day before at 3:30 p.m. The owner was not at home.

Checkbook checked

The Grosse Pointe Farms Department of Public Safety is looking for a man who stole a checkbook from a store in the 18800 block of Mack on Sunday, Oct. 6, around 2:30 p.m.

A Livonia woman accidentally left her checkbook at the check-out lane of the store. A store surveillance tape showed a man pick up the checkbook and leave the store.

The man is described as a black male between 25 and 30 years old with short hair and a heavy build wearing glasses, a black turtleneck and dark pants.

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Laptop stolen

A Fujitsu laptop computer was reported stolen from a house on Beverly in Grosse Pointe Farms on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m.

The computer was last seen around 10 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4. There were no signs of forced entry into the house.

Spirited mischief

Eggs and shaving cream were strewn about a Grosse Pointe Farms school parking lot sometime between 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3, and 6:30 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 4.

Unknown persons also entered the school during that time and defaced a locker in the boys locker room with a profane drawing in magic marker.

An employee of another Grosse Pointe Farms school literally held down a 15-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods boy until Farms public safety officers arrived at the school on Friday, Oct. 5.

The boy was seen expressing his school spirit with spray paint on the football field press box at about 9:45 p.m.

The boy told Farms officers there were two other boys with him, both from the Woods, before he was released to his parents.

The matter is being referred to the Farms' youth officer.

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers rounded up a group of youths to clean egg off four cars on Webber Place on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 10:46 p.m.

The youths told the officers that the eggings were connected to their school spirit week.

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Car stolen

A 2002 black four-door Subaru Impreza WRX was taken from a driveway of a house in the 800 block of Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores on Wednesday, Oct. 2.

The car was last seen in the driveway at 8:30 p.m., but was noticed missing around 10 p.m.

Crash landing

A 25-year-old Warren woman skidded off the roadway and crashed into a sign before a Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officer could pull her over for speeding and driving under the influence of alcohol on Sunday, Oct. 6.

The officer saw the

woman's 1998 Ford Bronco traveling 57 mph on eastbound Vernier, then skidding across the southbound and northbound lanes of Lakeshore before coming to a stop at 5:15 a.m.

The woman was not injured, but she recorded a blood alcohol level of .21 percent on a PBT.

Pistol scare

While chaperoning a semi-formal dance at a private school in the 1000 block of Cook the evening of Saturday, Oct. 5, a Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officer became suspicious of four male juveniles who arrived in casual attire.

The officer investigated the youths' vehicle and found what appeared to be a Smith & Wesson handgun on the floorboard. Police and school officials rounded up the youths, who were Detroit residents ages 13 through 16 and had permission to attend the dance.

The pistol turned out to be a gas-powered BB gun. Officers confiscated the weapon, assigned a youth officer to pursue the matter, and let the teenagers return to the dance.

GPW B&E

The results of a recent break-in were discovered in the 1500 block of North Renaud on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at about 4:45 p.m.

Thousands of dollars of high-end video equipment were stolen along with tapes of a Detroit Model Yacht Club race. The homeowner said a missing Sony TRV990 digital video camera was worth \$2,300.

Officers said someone entered the house through a window and left footprints that detectives are investigating.

Jewelry stolen

A home in the 20600 block of Wedgewood in Grosse Pointe Woods was broken into sometime between 10 a.m. and 9:50 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4.

A thief or thieves broke open a breezeway door, splintering a door jam, on their way to stealing numerous pieces of women's jewelry.

Missing items included a \$5,000 diamond ring, a string of pearls valued at \$1,000, a gold necklace with a diamond cross worth \$300, and three Tiffany pieces: \$140 chain bracelet, \$90 ball bracelet and \$100 silver ring.

Nine bikes stolen in GPP

Bike thieves cruised Grosse Pointe Park last week. At least nine bikes were taken between Tuesday, Oct. 1 and Friday, Oct. 4.

The first incidents took place between Oct. 1-2 when a 20-inch black BMX Mongoose mountain bike and 20-inch silver BMX stunt razor were taken from the bike racks at Trombly Elementary School.

On Oct. 2, a men's Specialized mountain bike with child seat containing stain glass was taken from a locked garage in the 1200 block of Whittier.

The next day between 8:30 and 11:45 a.m. in the 1400 block of Kensington, a silver women's Giant Sedona, red and black men's Giant Boulder mountain bike and boy's Schwinn Frontier were taken from a garage. Thieves also took three bike helmets.

Between Oct. 4-5 in the 1200 block of Bedford, a 26-inch men's Raleigh tandem 10-speed and 26-inch men's Giant bike was taken from an unlocked garage.

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Durbin named HW fire chief

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

After nearly half a year without a leader, the Harper Woods Fire Department has been put under the watch of Chief Mike Durbin.

Durbin, a 27-year veteran of the force qualified in advanced life support, hazardous materials (HazMat) enclosed area rescue and other facets of the job, was sworn in during the Monday, Oct. 7 city council meeting.

Fellow firefighters lined the back wall of the council chambers in support of Durbin and many members of the audience openly conversed with and congratulated the new chief.

"I've worked with Mike for 17 years," said city manager Jim Leidlein. "I'm positive he'll do a good job for the city." That vote of confidence from Leidlein and his familiarity with council led to a unanimous vote to approve his appointment.

"We're going to start work again," said Durbin, who knows that the time without



Chief Mike Durbin

a chief has been hard on the station. "I have to catch up on some things."

Durbin said that the length of the vacancy has allowed paperwork to pile up, that the day-to-day running of the station may need some small review, and finishing the specifications for the new ambulance is a very important issue.

Leidlein and union representative Mike White

agreed about the need to replace the second-line ambulance.

"There are a lot of issues to be dealt with," White said, "but the ambulance is the most pressing."

Once the purchase is made, both wagons in the city will be equipped for advanced life support service. Initial indicators from the city and fire department point to the final presentation for the new ambulance being ready within the next 60 days.

Another challenge before Durbin, according to White, will be the contract negotiations later this year.

The lieutenant position left vacant by Durbin will likely be filled within the next two months, with staff shifting around inside the department.

A new hire is also likely once everyone is settled into the new regime.

"I'm proud to be able to serve the city," Durbin said to the council, "and I promise to give it my best."



Photo by Jason Sweeney

Guards in high regard

From left to right, Michael Jaczowski of St. Peter the Apostle, Paul Bramos of Poupard Elementary, Brian Folmar of Tyrone School, and Melanie Zynel of Our Lady Queen of Peace were honored at the Monday, October 07, city council meeting for their outstanding service as crossing guards. Each received a plaque, a certificate from Sgt. Ralph Selvaggi, Mayor Poynter and the city council and a \$50 savings bond, donated by Vegas market.

Harper Woods girl still missing

By Jason Sweeney
Staff Writer

The mother of a 14-year-old Harper Woods girl is turning to the community for help finding her daughter.

Nicole Thomas, mother of Chante Gloster, had lived in Harper Woods for less than a month when Thomas had to go to the Harper Woods Police to report that her daughter was missing.

"I'm worried that she is in a dangerous situation and she's never been gone from home for this long," Thomas said of the 6-foot tall, 140 pound girl.

Chante Gloster was wearing a pair of blue jeans, a red and white striped shirt and a pair of Nike shoes at the time of her disappearance.

Thomas said Gloster left their home on Elkhart at approximately 1:30 a.m. Sept. 14. When she awoke the next day, Thomas said she suspected that the girl had stayed at a friend's house on Washtenaw.

Phone calls to the home on Washtenaw and to other friends throughout the city have been unable to turn up any trace of the 14-year-old girl.

"She's got a lot of friends in Harper Woods," Thomas said, "but none of them have seen her."

Police are investigating the case and are actively searching for Gloster, but as of yet have no strong leads.

Thomas said that she just

wants her daughter returned home safely and she is willing to do whatever it takes to achieve that.

In order to draw more information pertaining to Gloster's location and health to the attention of investigators, a reward is being offered.

Anyone who has seen her or has information about her whereabouts should call the Harper Woods Police at (313) 343-2540.

City Council Briefs

Budget delay

The scheduled budget hearing which was supposed to follow the city council meeting was canceled after the meeting ran long and an executive session was required. The council will still meet Monday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m. to begin the discussion of the new year's finances. The public is welcome to the budget meetings, held in the city council chambers.

Park advisory

City Manager James Leidlein said that the inquiries as to when action could be taken to meet and discuss the parks in the city will take place after the election of new members to the Park Advisory Board in November.

Those interested in sitting on the board should contact city clerk Mickey Todd at (313) 343-2510.

City calendar

Litho printing services has been selected as the printer for the 2003 city calendar. The current printer did not satisfy the city's expectations and lost the contract. As

an added bonus, Leidlein reported that the cost of the calendar will be significantly less for the upcoming year.

Expect the calendars to arrive in the second half of December.

Lot split

Another lot split came before council, dividing 21145 and 2186 Van Antwerp. Although some of the property lies over the boundary to Grosse Pointe Woods, it was unaffected, and the split was approved 7-0.

Bills bills bills

The council approved three measures at to pay for services and improvements the residents have benefited from.

The city's obligation to its road bonds was due. The combined payment on the 1995, 1999 and 2001 bonds was \$535,762.50, which is more than a dollar for every minute in a year.

A payment of \$157,903.64 to Wayne County for the use of the sewer system.

Finally, work done throughout the city and the resurfacing of Bournemouth were paid for. Council, signed over \$222,182.62 to the Florence cement company.

Police Brief

Help wanted?

A 30-year-old Harper Woods man was arrested at 3:50 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, after running around the senior care facility in the 19800 block of Harper. The man wandered the halls and hid from staff members before running northbound on Harper. When captured, he told police that he had been seeking employment and medical attention.

Harper Woods police took him into custody on the charge of breaking and entering without permission.

To suggest a story for the Harper Woods page, call Staff Writer Jason Sweeney at (313) 343-6293.

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**SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2002**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Councilperson(s) Cheryl Costantino, Hugh Marshall, Michael P. Monaghan, Daniel S. Palmer and Vivian M. Sawicki.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem John M. Szymanski.

MOTIONS PASSED

- To excuse Mayor Pro tem John M. Szymanski from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on September 4, 2002, and the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting held September 9, 2002.
- To approve the 2003 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on October 7, October 14 and October 21, and further, to hold a public hearing on the Budget on November 4, 2002.
- That the agenda of the Regular City Council Meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- To approve the following items in the Consent Agenda:
 - Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 64574 through 64704 in the amount of \$1,415,241.70 as submitted by the City Manager and City Controller, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
 - Approve payment to Spartan Distributors for the purchase of an Aera-vator machine, with brush attachments in the amount of \$3,323 and in the amount of \$3,867.96 for the sprinkler system installed at Johnston Park for the ball diamonds.
- To Place for Introduction and First Reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Section 15-20 of Article II of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Harper Woods Governing Traffic," and further, to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- To approve the addendum to the Agreement with IAFF Local 1188 regarding promotional procedures and, further, to authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to sign the agreement.
- To adopt the 2003 budget as amended.

Kenneth A. Poynter,
Mayor
Mickey D. Todd,
City Clerk

GPN: 10/10/2002

Boom,
boom,
boom!

Just like that, it's done. No rancorous public hearings, no ad hoc committees, no city-wide advisory ballots.

Boom, boom, boom! A new, two-story, year-round bathhouse and activities center was not only approved for Grosse Pointe Park's Windmill Pointe Park, but the old building has already been razed, and the foundation for the new structure is being laid.

Mayor Palmer Heenan credits city

Opinion

manager Dale Krajniak for the speed with which the city is able to move.

Krajniak, a certified public accountant by training and a hardworking farmboy by rearing, doesn't pussyfoot around when it comes to thinking a situation through.

Heenan said Krajniak was able to look at the financing, combined with Grosse Pointe Park Foundation funding, and was able to make the \$2.7

million activities building doable — and without any additional burden to Park taxpayers.

What is even more innovative than some other cities' activities buildings is that the Park is making sure it is usable all year long.

The Park building will have an exercise facility on the second floor, allowing stair-stoppers to view the marina and river while working their

thighs. It will also have a movie theater that can be used to entertain Park kids — and adults — throughout the cold, winter months and even through the dog days of August.

Heenan said the Park is able to make the park improvement without extra taxes because of the generosity of the Park Foundation and the efficiency of the city administration and employees.

The mayor points out that the Park functions with fewer employees and managers than many other cities its size. The lower overhead allows the Park to spend money on programs that will directly benefit the residents such as the planned bathhouse.

Kudos to Heenan, Krajniak, the Park City Council and the city employees who make the Park such a wonderful place to live and work.

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U.N. support needed on Iraq

While President George W. Bush passionately called Monday night for public support in his effort to get congressional approval of a possible preemptive strike against Iraq, we remain concerned about the consequences and world public opinion should we go it alone.

Currently, our only allies in support of a U.S.-led attack on Saddam Hussein are Israel and Britain. In the latter case, British prime minister Tony Blair faces strong public disapproval for his support.

Though we are a loyal supporter of the Republican president, we have reservations about Bush's push for pre-emptive-strike authorization.

First, we are not entirely convinced military force is needed at this time. At the very least, we are not sure that every effort short of war has not been exhausted.

Sure, Hussein is megalomaniac. He is not even "benevolent" as a dictator. But, then again, before the Gulf War, Iraqis reportedly were among the most literate, cultured and prosperous people in the Middle East.

What we do know is that Hussein at this time does not possess nuclear weapons. There is strong evidence, though, that he continues to manufacture chemical and biological weapons.

But, we suspect, the same thing can be said for China, Korea, Israel and the United States.

Second, we fear that without United Nations support, we will bring down upon us the displeasure of all other Arab countries and people of Arab descent worldwide.

With our insatiable need for oil, many in the world will view an overthrow of Iraq as a ploy by the United States and its powerful oil conglomerates to gain control of the world's second largest oil deposit.

Even though Bush has strong ties to the oil industry, we do not believe his animosity toward Hussein has to do with oil. We do not doubt Bush's sincere fear of what Hussein is capable of doing should he get his hands on weapons of mass destruction. We just don't believe military intervention has become inevitable.

Michigan Sen. Carl Levin, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, pointed out to WJR morning host Paul W. Smith recently that while Hussein is a madman, he's not crazy.

Levin maintains that Hussein enjoys the posh life of an oil-rich dictator and has no desire to jeopardize it. He may be a bully, a thug, a sadist, but he's not suicidal, Levin says.

We tend to agree.

Also on WJR, Mitch Albom recently interviewed an Alaskan U.S. senator, who reported that the United States imports something like \$12.5 million worth of Iraqi oil a day, if we recall correctly.

An Internet search found U.S. Sen. Frank H. Murkowski of Alaska reporting that we currently import 700,000 barrels a day of oil from Iraq — more than twice the 300,000 barrels we imported in 1998.

"Iraq is our fastest growing source of imports," the senator said, "yet just nine years ago we fought a war in the Persian Gulf to keep Saddam Hussein from conquering the oil fields of Kuwait and possibly Saudi Arabia."

Albom, understandably, was incredulous. "Is it just me," he asked, "or does it seem odd that Saddam Hussein is bad enough that we have to take him out, but we can still buy his oil?"

Albom questioned why no one else was pointing this out besides the good senator from Alaska. We wondered the same thing.

Another Internet search found a Washington Post story that said, yes, American oil companies have been buying oil from Iraq with the United Nations' blessing. The Post explains:

"Although Iraq has been subject to U.N. sanctions since it invaded Kuwait in 1990, the Security Council established the oil-for-food program in 1995 to allow Iraq to sell oil to buy food and medicine and to rebuild its infrastructure."

The oil companies give their money for Iraqi oil to the United Nations, which holds it in escrow and uses the oil funds for food and public works programs for the Iraqi people.

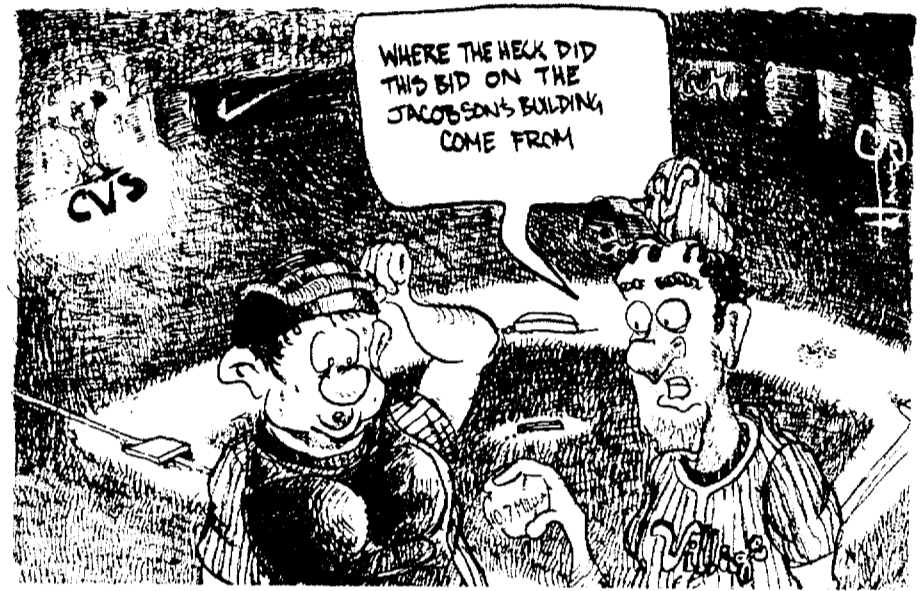
But the U.N.'s aim to keep the oil money out of Hussein's pocket wasn't entirely successful. He apparently has been blackmailing oil buyers by exacting kickbacks and selling oil secretly to neighboring countries to the tune of more than \$1.8 billion a year in illicit oil sales.

The United States and the United Nations are fighting back, though, and closing up the loopholes that have been enriching the dictator.

As fascinating as all this is, it does not mean we should invade a sovereign nation.

We are too quick to go to war. We have had wars on poverty and drugs, both unsuccessful. Now we have a war on terrorism that may be going the same way. We have yet to bring Osama bin Laden to justice.

Let's make a choice as a nation to make war the last resort, not the first. Write Congress and the president and tell them to give non-violent coercion a chance.



Address comments to cartoonist Phil Hands at [HANDSP@kenyon.edu](mailto:HANSISP@kenyon.edu)

Letters

Respect begins at home

To the editor:

This letter is in response to last week's letter, "Respect Teens" (Oct. 3, Grosse Pointe News).

After reading Donna Schultes' letter that scolded Grosse Pointe Woods residents who reside near Grosse Pointe North High School for not respecting the teenagers, I felt the need to share the other side to her complaints.

I am a resident and educator in that community who happens to have two teenagers of my own. I can honestly say that this "respect" issue needs to go both ways.

I am sorry that the parents of these high school students are not allowed to pick up their students near the Wedgewood gate but the danger outweighs the convenience.

The intersection of Hidden Lane and Wedgewood becomes very congested at drop off and pick up, and one of these days a student is going to get hurt. By dropping off students a block or two away, it allows the congestion to be spread out.

If picking up your child a block away from school will help keep everyone safer, then why are parents complaining?

Since I have lived in this neighborhood, I have witnessed many disrespectful acts by our teenagers. During the day it isn't uncommon to find G.P. North students camped out on front lawns smoking and eating. Needless to say, these students leave behind their cigarette butts and trash.

I have witnessed teenagers cutting through yards and hopping fences because it is the faster way home or to work. Where is the respect that the people in this neighborhood deserve?

Yes, you do pay taxes in this community, but so do we! Instead of placing the blame on the residents near the high school maybe more

parents need to educate their children about respecting others if they want to be respected.

It all starts at home, and the teenagers are making a bad name for themselves when they don't respect the property and feelings of others.

I realize that these teens are our future, but what a scary thought that is when you see how some of them behave!

Wake up parents and start talking with your kids about respecting others before you blame others for not respecting them. It is a two-way street!

J. Granger
Grosse Pointe Woods
Misguided

To the Editor:

I have been a resident of Grosse Pointe for over 30 years and enjoy living in a community that is caring, diverse and educated. However, there is an underlying current in the community on some policy matters that is very troubling.

I am speaking specifically to situations where there is concern and, perhaps, disagreement over an issue that deteriorates into rancor by the proponents rather than discourse or civil debate.

The most evident example of this is the Sept. 26 Grosse Pointe News editorial, "71% of voters OK needed school bond," on the outcome of the school bond issue. The remarks in the editorial categorized those residents who had some serious questions about the project and the process as "Scrooges." Further denigration was made to some honest citizens in this community as "narrow-minded" and "short-sighted" because they expressed concerns about fiscal integrity and outcomes of a very expensive bond issue.

In early July, the Grosse Pointe News promised the citizens of this community it would provide information on the planned capital expenditures and why they are necessary. The News'

reports seemed more like press releases from the board of education. There were no hard questions asked as to how the elements of the project were developed, how cost estimates were established, what transaction fees are for a bond issue of this size.

I know others had similar questions and looked to your paper for some of the answers.

A strong free press is the backbone of our nation and I fully subscribe to the tenets of the press as the "watch-dog" of our society. Your editorial, therefore, is doubly disappointing to me because the recent remarks provide a chilling effect on our community.

I hope our caring and educated community continues to question our public officials on fiscal and other matters to assure that the best results are achieved for all.

Margot Parker
Grosse Pointe Park
Defends votes

To the Editor:

I found the Sept. 26 Grosse Pointe News opinion article "71% of voters OK needed school bond" offensive. I did not vote against the school bond issue, but I will defend the right of the people who did vote "nay."

The former USSR won most of their issues by votes of 99 to 100 percent, but they are not someone I wish to emulate. The News should be thankful that the bond issue was passed by nearly 75 percent of the voters; instead, you resort to name-calling and downright insults.

The opinion piece reference to 2,070 "Scrooges" and "narrow-minded, short-sighted voters" is unwarranted.

As long as we live in a free nation, voters should be allowed to voice their opinion without fear and intimidation.

I believe the News owes the people of Grosse Pointe an apology.

Charles H. Lapo, M.D.
Grosse Pointe Woods

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Baby sitting

Raising decent children is backbreaking, exhausting, thankless work. I'm glad I took the time to do it.

It was touch and go for a while, back when I was sitting on the front porch of my girlhood home, begging my parents to let me join the Girl Scouts.

I was browsing around eBay recently, marveling at the fact that old Life magazines are worth about 30 times their original purchase prices. The bidding for a 54-year-old issue of Life with Marlene Dietrich on the cover starts at \$6.99. It cost 20 cents in 1948.

When I was growing up, girls were warned — mostly by their mothers, who knew about all kinds of dangerous practices — not to sit on cold cement or cold ground. If

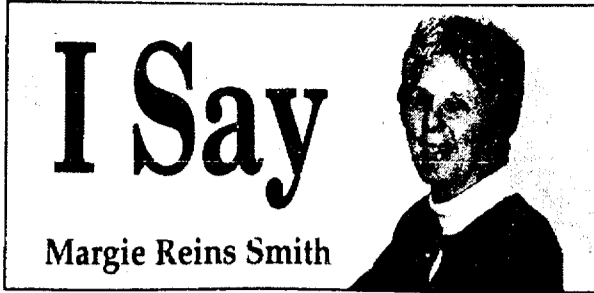
your mother caught you sitting on the front porch steps on a chilly autumn evening, you were told to go inside and get a cushion. Or stand up, for Pete's sake.

"Why?" We asked. The answers varied, according to whose mother caught you, but if all the answers were added together and divided by the number of mothers who actually responded, the reason boiled down to: "You'll ruin your insides and never be able to have babies."

This didn't sound like such a terrible consequence to me.

Being a Girl Scout wasn't all it was cracked up to be either. I joined because all my girlfriends were scouts.

The good part was the uniform, which we got to wear all day in school on Thursdays. Our meeting was held after school, in the gymnasium. I felt important, like I belonged, like I



I Say

Margie Reins Smith

was a member of the chosen few. I think that's what uniforms are for.

I liked the badges too. I liked wearing them more than actually earning them. The downside was all that camping crap.

I didn't like sleeping in some Godforsaken forest in a tent on a rock-hard cot under mosquito netting. I didn't like to swim unless it was 90 degrees or higher. I didn't particularly like tromping around in swamps, dealing with large unfamiliar insects, drinking icky-tasting water or using

outdoor toilets.

Why sleep outside, I wondered, when I had a comfy bed at home with a pink and white ruffled bedspread in a room with roses stenciled on the walls and screens on the windows.

In order to go camping and in order to earn our camping badge, we had to make useless, trumped-up craft projects.

Sit-upons, for example.

We made these things called sit-upons. All Girl Scouts had to make them before they went camping. I'll bet any Boy Scout worth

his salt in those days (or these days, for that matter) wouldn't recognize a sit-upon if it bit him on the butt.

Our leader came to the meeting one Thursday afternoon with a stack of Life magazines, a couple of balls of yarn and some patterned oilcloth cut into rectangles with pinking shears.

We placed a piece of oilcloth on the top and bottom of a stack of four or five Life magazines. Then we punched holes all around the rectangles with paper punches and wove the yarn in and out of the holes to sew up the magazines inside the oilcloth.

The finished product, the much ballyhooed sit-upon, was a waterproof cushion. We were supposed to carry these everywhere and use them when we sat on the ground.

Today, in attics all over America, valuable old Life

magazines are waiting to be reclaimed. They're stitched up in faded red-and-white checked oilcloth sit-upons. The magazines have been protected and preserved and are still pristine, un-yellowed and un-dog-eared.

God bless the Girl Scouts because some girls really enjoy this stuff. But if the organization ever needs to raise some money, it should put out a request for all former Girl Scouts to dig up and turn in their sit-upons.

Today's Girl Scouts could rip off all that old oilcloth and put the magazines up for sale on eBay. It could be a splendid troop project.

They'd raise a fortune. They'd learn about recycling, about the Internet, about the auction process and the economics of supply and demand.

By the way, that stuff about not being able to have babies if you sit on cold cement is baloney too.

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The Op-Ed Page



GROSSE-POINTE DOGS

fyi

by Ben Burns



Truth time

Two-year-old **Blake Stackpoole**, son of **Tory and Harold Stackpoole** of the Park, attended his second University of Michigan football game this year, a contest during which the Wolverines were thumping Western Michigan at half time, 21-6. As the U-M team ran back on the field at the end of the half-time break, Blake observed to his mother, "Look mom, the players are back from their naps." The final score was 35-12.



Ben Burns

events. **Dr. Tom Cole** of the Woods has a similar record on a bicycle.

On Sept. 21, in his latest feat, he bicycled 100 miles during the 10th annual Celebration of Cycling Ride in western Wayne County. Coles' favorite charity is the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD).

If you are interested in learning more about NARSAD you can contact Coles at (313) 885-0632.



Photo by Karen Reiner

Sticky squirrels

Recently **Johanna and Rob Diepenhorst** watched as a mother squirrel attempted to drag her babies across a Fisher Road lawn. The baby squirrels were all stuck together with pine sap in their matted tails.

The couple used scissors to carefully cut the furry puzzle apart while the anxious squirrel mom watched from a nearby pine. Former Grosse Pointe News photographer, **Karen Reiner**, who now lives in Haslett, recorded the event for posterity, and the Diepenhorsts returned the trimmed babies to the last big pine tree on Fisher on the west side of the street before

Johanna and Rob Diepenhorst helped a mother squirrel gather her litter after they became stuck together by pine sap and fell from their nest in a pine tree on Fisher near Mack.

Mack. That's where you can catch a glimpse of a much happier squirrel family.

Ben Burns of the City of Grosse Pointe is director of the journalism program at Wayne State University. He can be reached at burnsben@comcast.net or by phone at (313) 882-2810.

Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What was the best Halloween costume you ever wore, saw or had an idea for?



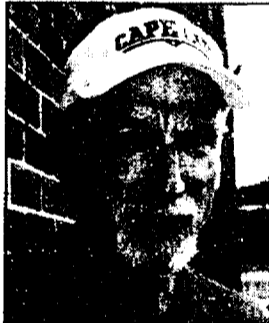
By Suzy Berschback



Cathy Picat

"A woman was an airplane and her husband was the pilot. When my niece and nephew were little, I thought they would make a great Drew Carey and his secretary."
— Cathy Picat, Grosse Pointe Park.

"I borrowed a very scary mask and wore a raincoat to work and no one even wanted to get on the elevator with me."
— Tom Gould, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Tom Gould



Guy Cohn

"Do you know the big red polyp on the TV commercial? Now there's an idea."
— Guy Cohn, City of Grosse Pointe.

"I was a chicken with its head cut off. It made for a very long and thirsty evening. But it was a great costume Mary made."
— Raymond Gelineault, Windsor.



Raymond Gelineault with Mary



Renee Marie Troscinski

"A few years ago triplets came to the park as three blind mice. They were darling."
— Renee Troscinski, Grosse Pointe Park.

"I dressed as my boss, and if you knew my boss, you would know how funny that was."
— Colin Orton, Grosse Pointe Park.



Colin Orton

Jeopardy

Mike Vethacke, a financial analyst from Grosse Pointe, won \$29,000 by asking the right questions on the national quiz show, "Jeopardy," aired last month. The Michigan State alum confessed to being the worst player on his MSU quiz bowl team when he first got to the East Lansing school. He lost on his second appearance but walked away a big winner.

An avid Spartan fan, he also said he planned his wedding around an MSU football game and has been going to all of the games for 11 years.

By the way, Mike is the nephew and godson of Grosse Pointe News classified advertising manager, **Barbara Yazbeck Vethacke**, but she is not the one who tipped off FYI!

Kitchen glamour

Grosse Pointers **Jill and Lewis Cooper** graced the cover of The Detroit News Homestyle section last Saturday. It was part of an article promoting the Cottage Hospital Auxiliary Kitchen Tour of nine new or remodeled Pointes' kitchens.

Other Pointers pictured included **Jennifer Perry** and her daughters, **Samantha**, 6, and **Noelle**, 5.

Tickets for the Sunday, Oct. 13, noon to 5 p.m. tour are \$15 at Cottage Hospital Gift Shop, Pointe Perspectives, Hurst Appliances and the Pointe Pedlar. For more information call (313) 884-0218 or (313) 885-2197. For the full Marge Colburn story, go to Detnews.com on your Internet connection and browse to Oct. 5 and look for Decorating.

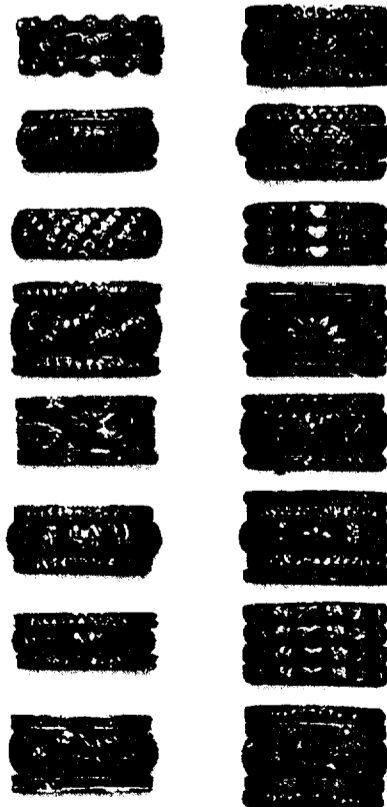
Marathon men

Paul Szabo reportedly started marathon running at age 67 and so far has completed 20 of the 26 mile plus

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Helen R. Bania

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Fifty-year Grosse Pointe Woods resident Helen R. Bania, 83, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 26, 2002.

Born in 1918 in Detroit, Mrs. Bania graduated from Cass Tech at the age of 16. She worked as an administrative assistant for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Wayne County.

Mrs. Bania was a member of the Detroit Northeast Business and Professional Women's Organization and St. Joan of Arc Church. She also enjoyed sewing, needlepoint, reading and traveling the U.S., Mexico and Canada with her husband prior to his passing.

She is survived by her daughters, Diane Bidigare and Janice Winn; her son, Richard Bania; six grandchildren, John Paul Bania, Melissa Bania, Brett Kingswell, Sarah DiGiusto, Katie DiGiusto and Ashley Winn; and her brother, Max Pongzek.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ned A. Bania; and her sister, Elizabeth Pongzek.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, Sept. 30 at St. Joan of Arc Church. Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home. Interment is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Capuchins Monastery in Detroit.



Ethel Eckstrand Howard

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Former Harper Woods resident Ethel Eckstrand Howard of Roseville, 95, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2002.

Born in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Howard came to Detroit before World War I. She graduated from Southeastern High School in 1926.

Mrs. Howard graduated from Michigan State Normal School (now Eastern Michigan University) with a teacher's degree. She also received a bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College.

Having helped open Richard Elementary School in 1930, Mrs. Howard taught for 39 years in the Grosse Pointe Public School District, including at both the old and the new Kerby Elementary School.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Stars No. 420, now called Lakepointe East Chapter. She was a member of Sigma Alpha Iota National Musical Society, the Detroit Review Club, the American Association of University Women, a supporter of the Michigan Opera and traveled extensively.

She is survived by her brother, Earl Eckstrand; her

nephew, Elton Eckstrand; and her dear friend, Kim Ciolek.

Mrs. Howard was predeceased by her husband, William; and her sister, Eleanor Wheeler.

Arrangements were made by Verheyden Funeral Home of Grosse Pointe. Interment is at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Evelyn McLuckie

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Evelyn McLuckie, 83, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2002.

Born in Detroit in 1919, Mrs. McLuckie graduated from Southeastern High School and was a lifelong member of Girl Scouts.

In 2002, she was the recipient of the "Thanks Badge" for over 44 years of dedicated service to Metropolitan Detroit Girl Scouts Council.

Mrs. McLuckie was a member of the Ladies Altar Society at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church and a member of Flemish Genealogical Society.

She enjoyed sewing, scrapbooking and genealogy.

Mrs. McLuckie is survived by her husband, Alex; her daughters, Suzanne (Daniel) Kardasz and Jane (Alan) Lendway; her grandchildren, Michael (Kim) Kardasz and Ross and Alison Lendway; and her sister-in-law, Madeline Mareydt.

She was predeceased by her brother, Albert Mareydt.

A memorial Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Oct. 5 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Arrangements were made by A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Arthritis Foundation, 17117 West 9 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48075.

JoAn H. Mihelich

St. Clair Shores and Boca Raton, Fla. resident JoAn H. Mihelich, 71, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 3, 2002.

Mrs. Mihelich was an avid golfer and bridge player.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Joseph

E. Mihelich; her children, Jayne (Jorge) Cortez, Joseph M. (Karen) Mihelich and Julie (Chris) Cloney; four grandchildren, Amy, Austen, Skyley and Andrea; and two step-grandchildren, Caitlin and Andrew; her sisters, June and Vera; and many relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. at A.H. Peters Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice by the Sea, 1531 West Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton, FL 33486.

Duane "Pete" Moore

City of Grosse Pointe resident Duane "Pete" Moore, 53, passed away on Friday, Oct. 4, 2002 after suffering from cancer.

Mr. Moore graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1967 and received a bachelor's degree in engineering from Oakland University. He was a retired pension consultant.

He is survived by his children, Peterson and Kristine; his mother, Evelyn Richardson; his father, Dilbert Moore; his brother, Wendell Moore; his sister, Janice Brandenberger; and many longtime friends.

Vera V. Pasny

Former longtime Grosse Pointe Park resident Vera V. Pasny, 90, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002 at her home in Rochester Hills.

Born in 1912 in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Pasny was an active member of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church while living in Grosse Pointe Park.

She was also involved actively with St. Andrew Catholic Church, the Older Persons Commission and was a past president of the Rochester Chapter of AARP.

Mrs. Pasny is survived by her daughter, Diane M. (Ralph) Scott; and her sister, Joan Bogedin.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ned J. Pasny.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, Oct. 10 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Andrew Catholic Church in

Rochester.

Interment is at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Arrangements were made by Pixley Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Robert M. Surdam

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Robert M. Surdam, 84, passed away on Friday, Oct. 4, 2002, due to complications from cancer.

Born in 1917 in Albany, New York, Mr. Surdam attended Deerfield Academy and Williams College, graduating cum laude from Williams in 1939 with a degree in business.

He was a highly decorated serviceman in the U.S. Navy.

Most notable was his award for his rescue efforts to save those servicemen thrown overboard during a typhoon that attacked the Pacific Fleet in 1944.

Mr. Surdam's courage earned him the Navy-Marine Corps Medal for Heroism. By the end of the war, he had risen to the rank of lieutenant commander.

Mr. Surdam joined the National Bank of Detroit (Now Bank One) after the war, and by 1966 was elected president and a member of the board of directors.

Soon thereafter, he was promoted to chief executive officer, a position he held for 14 years until his retirement in 1982.

Mr. Surdam served as a director of several corporations, including Buhl Land Company, Bundy Corporation, Parke-Davis Company and Unisys Corporation.

He also served as chairman of the Detroit Medical Center and the United Foundation; vice president of the United Way Community Services; trustee of the Matilda R. Wilson Fund and the McGregor Fund; director of the Detroit Executive Services Corps, the Detroit Renaissance and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

He also actively worked with the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation and the Economic Alliance for Michigan.

Mr. Surdam was a member of the Grosse Pointe Club, the Detroit Club,

Country Club of Detroit, the Little Harbor Club, the Jupiter Island Club, Rolling Rock Club and Yondotega Club.

He also enjoyed hunting, sailing and golf.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Buhl; his sons, Peter Buhl (Lynda Corcoran) Surdam and Robert McClellan (Patricia Ellis) Surdam Jr.; his daughter, Carol Surdam (Thomas M.) Smith; five grandchildren; and two sisters.

A funeral service was held on Monday, Oct. 7 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Arrangements were made by the Groesbeck Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co.

Memorial contributions may be made to Williams College in Massachusetts, Little Traverse Conservancy in Harbor Springs or Harper Hospital in Detroit.

Mary Savage Taylor

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mary Savage Taylor, 88, passed away at her home on Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002.

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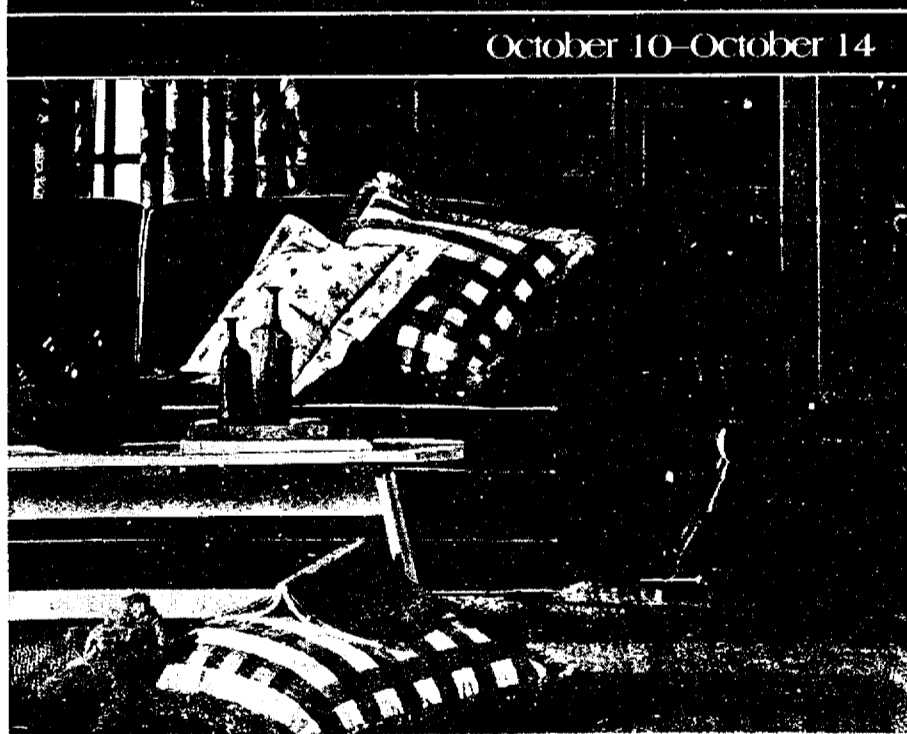
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Students flood sidewalks

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Children flooded the sidewalks on their way to school last week, many carrying signs and wearing costumes.

It was not a premature celebration of Halloween, but Walk to School Day.

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, elementary schools across Grosse Pointe participated in the international event, which promotes physical activity and concern for the environment.

Through promotion of the event at Maire Elementary School, every student but four in grades one through five walked or biked to school, according to Jean Weipert, who helped organize the event.

"We had almost 100 percent participation," Weipert said, adding that one of the four students is on crutches.

Students at Maire were encouraged to dress the part, making hats, T-shirts and signs to showcase their enthusiasm for Walk to School Day.

The event was accompanied by community-wide support.

Grosse Pointe Public School Superintendent Dr. Suzanne Klein, City of Grosse Pointe Police Chief Al Fincham, Deputy Director Dennis Van Dale and councilman Patrick Petz stood on street corners near the school, passing out goody bags filled with surprises from Village Toy Company.

Also in appearance was Lt. Ed Tujaka, accompanied



Nearly every student at Maire Elementary School participated in Walk to School Day.

by a fire engine; officer Lisa Monticciolo, who biked around the school; and officer Mike Seidel, who rode his motorcycle around the school.

An assembly was held at the start of the school day, during which the officers spoke with kids about safety.

Each class then voted for the best decorated student, who then received a \$5 gift certificate from Borders Books and Music.

Ed Jackman, owner of the Hungry Howies on East Warren, offered to provide a pizza party for the class with the highest number of walkers.

Due to the significant participation of students, the PTO helped arrange a pizza party for the entire school.

"The effort put into the event was beyond what we anticipated," Weipert said.

The school will continue promoting the same ideas throughout the year.

The City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department donated bicycle helmets to

the school, which will be awarded to students who continue walking or biking to school.

Einstein's Bagels has agreed to donate a monthly bagel party for the class with the highest percentage of walkers or bikers each month.

Most of the elementary schools across the district participated in Walk to School Day, including Richard, Defer, Ferry, Kerby, Monteith and Trombly.

Richard students received certificates, pencils and stickers for their efforts.

Those students in Kid's Club, who are transported to school, were allowed to walk 10 laps around the gym to qualify for having participated.

The school also held an assembly, where speakers such as Grosse Pointe Farms public safety officer Steve Puckett, safety patrol leader Corey Ernst and physical education teacher Christy Platts educated students about safety and physical fitness.

SCHOOL NOTES

Homecoming Friday night

Grosse Pointe South High School's Homecoming schedule has changed from previous years.

The parade will be held on Friday night, Oct. 11 at 6 p.m. It will begin at the Neighborhood Club in the City of Grosse Pointe and finish at the high school.

The football game will follow the parade, held under the lights at 7:30 p.m. against East Detroit High School.

The Homecoming Dance will be held on Saturday night, Oct. 12.

Women's College in Gainesville, Ga., and received her teacher's certification from Berry College in Rome, Ga.

Carnival at St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco will hold its second annual Make-a-Difference Carnival on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Church Social Hall.

Proceeds from the event will go through the U.S. Peace Corps to support young people in Gambia, West Africa so they may attend junior high school and high school.

will be celebrating its 10th reunion on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2002 at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

For more information, call (404) 842-0099.

Academy showcases technology

The Grosse Pointe Academy is among more than 100 schools in Michigan that participated in the second annual AT&T/MACUL Student Technology Showcase on Tuesday, Sept. 24 in the State Capitol Building in Lansing.

Groups of students used computers and other electronic devices to show elected members of the Michigan State Senate and the House of Representatives how technology is being used in the classroom to facilitate learning.

Taking part in the demonstrations from The Academy were seventh- and eighth-graders, Chelsea Baumgarten, Michael Gray, Jay Raubolt, Francis Simpson, Julie Stockmann and Ashley Thibodeau and teachers Diana Hicks, Mary Johnson and Nancy Williams.

Academy's new teachers

The Grosse Pointe Academy welcomes three new teachers to the school: Darby Brownscombe, Kelly O'Shell and Harriett Whitaker.

Darby Brownscombe, the new first-grade teacher, is a 1993 graduate of the academy, 1997 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Kelly O'Shell, the academy's new second-grade teacher, is also a Grosse Pointe native.

She graduated in 2000 from Michigan State University and has two years of teaching experience in Roseville.

She is currently working toward a master's in elementary education at Wayne State University.

Harriett Whitaker joins the academy as a part-time language arts teacher.

She recently moved with her family from Newton, N.J.

She received her bachelor's degree from Brenau

Arsenic and Old Lace

Grosse Pointe North High School will present "Arsenic and Old Lace" at Parcels Auditorium Oct. 17 through 19.

Thursday and Friday's performances will be at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday's will be at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7.

For more information, call (313) 882-1673.

Celebrating 75 years

To kick off the year-long celebration of Grosse Pointe South High School's 75th anniversary, the school is inviting alumni from the early classes to participate in the Homecoming Parade, to be held on Friday, Oct. 11 at 6 p.m.

For more information about the parade or any of the anniversary festivities, call Cathy Leverenz at 864-0404.

Class of 1992

Grosse Pointe South High School Class of 1992

High School Information Fair 2002

The Grosse Pointe Academy will be holding its High School Information Fair 2002 on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Tracy Fieldhouse.

The fair is free to the community, and the school will host 24 different high schools at the event.

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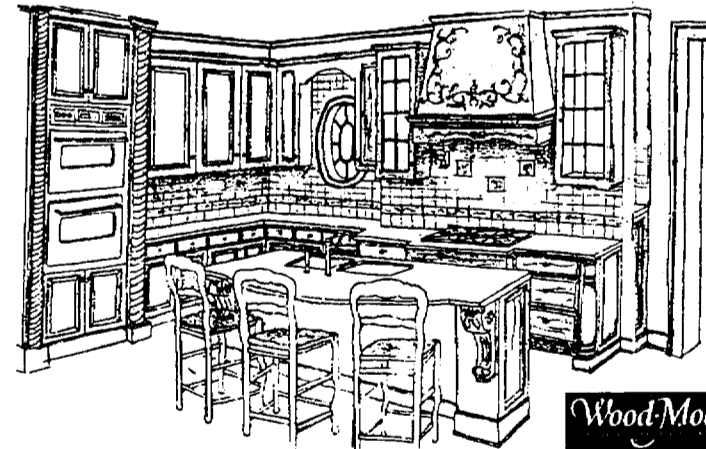
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Students make turnaround at district's Community School

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Non-traditional education is expanding in Grosse Pointe.

Through the efforts of administrators, alternative educators and counselors, Grosse Pointe Community School reaches out to students who require a different type of learning environment from the typical high school setting.

The Community School provides a different approach to instruction and assessment that is hands-on and project-based.

The students who attend the school are those who demonstrate significant academic ability, however, do not flourish in the typical high school setting.

"I think it is important to honor and celebrate the differences in our students," said Deb Trapp, coordinator at the Community School. "The truth is, not every child processes information the same way. Not every child learns the same way. Our students are incredibly bright and creative but very non-traditional in their approach to learning."

In its third full year of operation, the Community School has seen enrollment expand significantly.

Last year, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education approved the addition of a freshman class, which doubled the number of students enrolled in the high school program.

Students are referred to the school by a parent, teacher, counselor or by themselves. They are then interviewed and evaluated,

in order to determine that a non-traditional education would prove beneficial to their academic career.

A Student Contract for Success must be signed, indicating the student assumes responsibility for his or her learning; sets goals for his or her improvement; agrees to participate in community service; and promises to communicate with parents on a daily basis regarding performance.

The student's parents then must agree to participate in the Parent Partnership Program offered by the Community School, which are evening sessions that explore the students' successes and challenges.

Prior to the addition of the freshman class, the Community School hosted upper class students from both Grosse Pointe North and South high schools for a half day of classes. The students would spend the remainder of the day at their respective high schools.

The new freshman class has been enrolled for a full day of courses.

Although located in the Industrial Arts building at South, students who attend Community School are still considered to be North or South students.

They are still eligible to participate in athletics, clubs and other activities such as Homecoming and student government.

According to Trapp, students do not miss out on the social aspects of the typical high school experience, although North students



Students who attend the Community School are "bright and creative," according to Deb Trapp, the school's coordinator, pictured above with students.

have more difficulty when traveling across town.

Elizabeth Schultz, a North freshman at Community School, finds it challenging to maintain her friendships, but not impossible. She plans to play lacrosse at North in the spring.

Students see the school like an extended family, Trapp said.

Smaller class sizes make it possible to form closer relationships with teachers. They receive a greater amount of support from their classmates.

"Students here feel connected to one another and to the idea of the school," said Shannon Byrne, full-time English teacher at the Community School. "They say that it feels like a family."

The classes themselves

incorporate a great amount of differentiated instruction and project-based learning. This year, a pilot program is being offered at Community School entitled Microsoft IT Academy.

"It is a pro-active attempt to ensure the success of all children," Trapp said.

This attempt seems to be working, according to last year's academic statistics.

Every graduating senior's grade point average went up one entire letter grade after one year at the Community School. Every senior except one went on to post-high school education.

"I am honored to be able to work with these students. They are wonderful kids," Trapp said. "It is exciting to see them change and make a turn-around. It is the greatest joy there is in education."

Retired principal takes on North

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

The doors of change revolved last week as Grosse Pointe North High School's long-time principal Caryn Wells stepped out and James Steeby walked in.

Steeby, a Troy resident, retired in the spring of 2002 after serving as principal of Avondale High School for four years.

He recently accepted the position as North's interim principal for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year.

"I will do the best I absolutely can to make sure the school is in the perfect position (when a permanent replacement is hired)," Steeby said.

Steeby received his bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University and his master's degree in educational administration from Michigan State University.

He began his career in education as a teacher at Ottawa Hills High School and has since worked as principal of Ottawa Hills, Rochester Adams High



James Steeby

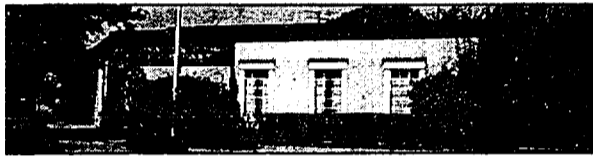
School, Union High School in Grand Rapids and Burton Junior High School in Grand Rapids.

He also served as the assistant superintendent for the Avondale School District for nine years.

Steeby spent a few days with Dr. Wells before her departure and she helped him learn about the school community and current programs.

On his first day as principal, a group of student leaders took Steeby on a tour of the campus.

"People have been welcoming and I appreciate that," he said.



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Obituaries

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Mary Savage Taylor

Born in Detroit in 1913, Mrs. Taylor graduated from the Academy of the Sacred Heart and the University of Michigan.

She was a long-term parishioner of St. Paul Catholic Church, a lifetime

member of the League of Catholic Women and a member of the Country Club of Detroit.

Mrs. Taylor also had an interest in art, literature and genealogy.

She is survived by her son, Mark L. of Cedar City, Utah; her grandson, Ryan M.; her brother, Philip J. (Justine B.) Savage Jr. of Bloomfield Hills; and eight nephews and nieces.

She was predeceased by her husband, Robert F.; and her daughter, Catherine F.

A funeral Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on Thursday, Aug. 29 at St. Paul Catholic Church.

Entombment is in the St. Paul Church Columbarium.

Arrangements were made by Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Paul Educational Trust, 157 Lake

Shore Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott Ave., Detroit, MI 48207.

Beulah Marie York

Former Grosse Pointe resident Beulah Marie York, 94, of Bargersville, Ind., passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2002.

Born in Fowler, Ind., Mrs. York graduated from Southeastern High School in Detroit.

She was a librarian for the Grosse Pointe Public Library for 30 years, having retired in 1975.

Mrs. York attended St. Andrews Anglican Church and was a member of the Mother Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Union Village OES No. 587 and Samuel Bryan Daughters of the American Revolution

Chapter Southport, Ind.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathryn York Baker of Bargersville; two grandsons, Timothy V. Baker of Franklin, Ind. and William D. Baker of Bargersville; and six great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Lawrence Russell York; and her brother, Lowell Kenneth Johnson.

A funeral service was held on Friday, Oct. 4 in Indiana. Interment is at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Indiana. Arrangements were made by Vandivier-Tudor Funeral Home.

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At Friday's close, the Dow was at its lowest level since November 1997, or almost five years, and down 24.9 percent since January 1 this year.

The NASDAQ Composite last week fell 59 points, off 4.9 percent, to close at 1,140, its lowest level since September 1996. For the year-to-date, the NASDAQ was off 41.6 percent.

Barron's (Oct. 7) quotes Fred Hickey, proprietor of the Nashua, N.H.-based High Tech Strategist, a monthly newsletter, who has been bearish on tech stocks for many months.

Hickey expects the NASDAQ to continue to crash, bottoming out down to 700 or 600, with many large-cap tech names to be taken down to "safe levels," having been thought of as relatively safe by many, even at their current "ridiculous" P/E levels. LTS has never seen the NASDAQ forecasted that low, down another one-third to one-half from present levels.

On the other hand, Hickey sees hundreds of small companies selling below their

net cash on hand. His strategy has been to look for software stocks that have lots of cash and aren't "burning" it and have a steady flow of service revenues. He feels these companies won't go away, even if the economy takes a turn for the worse.

Dividends pay off

Just as "diamonds are a girl's best friend," cash dividends are an investor's best friend! They say a good dividend-paying stock just gives and gives and gives.

Many companies have paid cash dividends for 50 years or more. Better still are those stocks that have increased their annual cash dividend every year for 30, 40 or 50 years!

Many Grosse Pointers tell LTS that their most favorite stocks are those whose annual cash dividends each year exceed their original cost of the shares.

Some say they still prefer to receive their quarterly dividends as checks in the mail. Others prefer the convenience of direct deposit or automatic credit to their brokerage money market account. Many have the issuing company's automatic dividend reinvestment plan, which pays increasing dividends on the increasing shares owned.

Some investors earmark a specific dividend check each quarter for a special event, like a gourmet dinner out!

Many investors selected

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specific stocks that pay dividends in certain months. Thus, three stocks regularly pay a "check a month" every month.

Some stocks also pay a year-end "extra" dividend in addition to the regular quarterly payments. Wall Street "div-timers" say that Wm. Wrigley stock paid a late December extra for decades so the family's grandchildren would have some extra Christmas spending money!

Stocks that regularly pay cash dividends seem to hold up better, in bad markets, than non-dividend-paying stocks. Standard & Poor's weekly advisory newsletter, the Outlook, reported that for the nine months ended September 2002, dividend-payers in the S&P 500 were down only 17 percent, while the 500 index itself was off 29 percent.

But wait, the non-dividend-payers were off 39 percent for the same period!

Of the 7,500 public companies reporting dividends to S&P, 1,046, or 14 percent, increased disbursements in the first nine months of 2002. Wouldn't you like to help yourself to some more dessert?

Schedule B amended

The IRS announced that taxpayers reporting less than \$1,500 of dividends and interest income by source will no longer be required to file Schedule B with their tax returns. Even

though this information was filed with the IRS by the issuer, taxpayers with more than \$1,500 of dividends and interest must continue to file Schedule B.

Oops! How many?

Floor traders on the NYSE were abuzz a week ago Wednesday about a freak error in "program trading" at 3:40 p.m., just 20 minutes before the bell.

The NYSE reported that Bear Stearns & Co., an old-line trading, brokerage and clearing firm, entered orders to sell \$4 billion worth of stocks of the S&P 500 Index via the computerized "program trading" system.

Within minutes, the program was terminated because Bear Stearns reported it had only intended to sell \$4 million of stock. Then the company scrambled to try to buy back the \$622 million of shares that had been sold by mistake!

The NYSE reported that the Bear Stearns sell orders showed up in blocks of 50,000 shares each of numerous stocks. Based on market capitalization, a \$4 billion sell order would involve selling 5.2 million shares of General Electric.

The S&P 500 Index stood at 829.57 at 3:40 p.m. when the selling commenced. The index fell more than 3 points in five minutes but recovered about half of that by the close.

Bear Stearns assured the NYSE that "the risk from

the executed orders had been substantially hedged" but declined to give additional information. Thus it is still not known if the freak error was a sell order on behalf of a customer or from the firm's own trading department.

Dell, again

If you don't see it on the balance sheet, look for the disclosure in the pages of fine print in the footnotes. So says Gretchen Morgenson in the New York Times (Sept. 22).

The treasure hunt involves a \$1 billion liability for put options that Dell previously sold against 22 million of its own shares, with an average strike price of about \$48.

Last Friday, Dell closed at 24.76, down about 50 percent from the put price, which makes the put options extremely valuable. The company can pay off the put options by paying \$1 billion cash or by issuing \$1 billion

Stock Market at a Glance

Friday Close, 10/4/02	
Dow Jones Ind.	7,528
NASDAQ Comp.	1,140
S&P 500 Index	801
\$ in EUROS	0.9791
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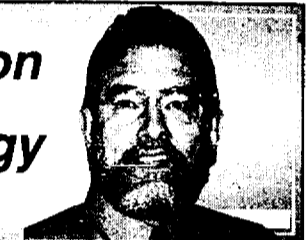
of its unissued shares. Why do such smart companies do such dumb things?

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Look 'boo'tiful on this Halloween

Pointers on Technology

By Mike Maurer



Tired of the same old Halloween ghost and goblins costumes? The Internet offers a variety of costume Web sites for the big and little monsters in your family.

The Costume Gallery (CostumeGallery.com) has been around since 1996 and is one of the best fashion and costume Web sites.

"Fashion?" you ask. "Yes," I say.

The Costume Gallery has sections arranged by date. For example, "1500s Costume Sites" will lead you to Internet links of Renaissance and Elizabethan fashions. The Web site also includes information on historical patterns and how to obtain materials for making costumes.

One of my favorite sites is called "The Costume Manifesto" (costumes.org). This Web site claims to be "Your free, one-stop site for costume information and images," in addition to Halloween costumes, it has a costume-history section.

One note: This Website may be a bit overwhelming for children, but its various links provide great pictures of historical dress.

If America Online (AOL) is your Internet service provider (ISP), drop by The Costume Page (users.aol.com/nebula5/costume). They have over 2,000 links to a variety of costume resources.

If you are strictly interested in Halloween costumes, here are some Web sites that are a must visit.

Everything Halloween (EverythingHalloween.com) has Internet links to thousands of sites that will teach you all you need to know about making or buying costumes for the spooky season.

Can we talk kids? You know, the little misunderstood monsters that inhabit your house. Drop by Halloween Kids (HalloweenKids.com). The Web site is designed for younger monsters, er, kids. Besides costume suggestions, it also offers Halloween party suggestions, pumpkin carving and decorating tips and "Ghost Cards" that can be e-mailed to fiends, er, friends.

If you don't want your youngsters going trick-or-treating this year, stop by Halloween Magazine (HalloweenMagazine.com). This online magazine offers

games, recipes and a bunch of other ideas for home Halloween activities. The activities do not require chain saws, pitchforks or butcher knives.

Time to make-up, with no apologies needed. The make-up I'm referring to is the kind you put on your face.

The Web site I'm talking about is called "Make Your Own Halloween Make-up" (osweb.com/kidscorner.makeup). The best ways to describe this site are messy, monsters and scary. The cosmetics described are easy to make and easy to clean up. (That is what they say. I will not be held accountable for any cleaning bills.)

With all that has been going on in this country over the last year, patriotic costumes will be in vogue. The Patriotic Costume Ideas Web site (FamilyEducation.com and follow the links), suggests easy-to-make costumes. Four costumes I found were for Betsy Ross, a fireman, soldier and Johnny Appleseed. How John Appleseed fits into the patriotic category I haven't a clue. (Of course, this isn't the only thing I haven't a clue about. Just ask my monsters, er, kids.)

Need some decorations for the front windows or door? I liked the Cavern of Clip Art (Halloween-clipart.com).

Categories on this Web site include bats, blood, candles, black cats, ghosts and other apparitions, mummies, Frankenstein and Halloween signs. The signs, by the way, are for the tombstones in the front yard. My favorite tombstone says, "See, I told you I was sick."

If you want some Halloween grub for your small forces of darkness, stop by Wanda's Halloween Cookbook (HalloweenKitchen.com). You'll find recipes for Witches Brew Tea, Bloody Popcorn, Jack-O-Lantern Pizza and Vampire Punch. I thought the Bloody Popcorn would be a neat idea for movie theaters showing horror movies.

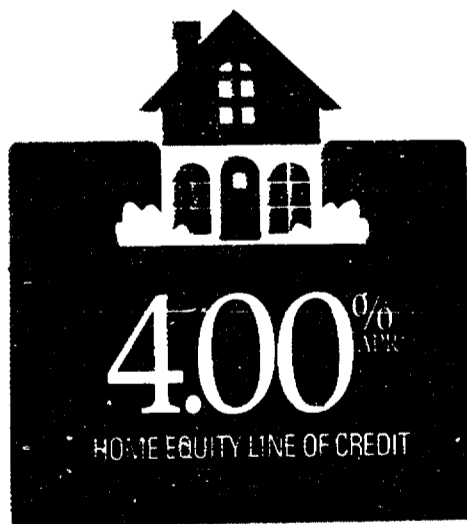
I touched briefly on pumpkin carving, but if you really want to be a cut above the rest of your neighbors, stop by The Pumpkin Patch (pumpkin-patch.com). I liked the pumpkin jokes. For example: How do you mend

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Emerald ash borer is a good-time Charlie

Tree-killing insects breed like rabbits, pose greater threat than gypsy moths and Dutch elm disease

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The little green bugs threatening southeast Michigan's ash trees enter the world sex-charged and go from there. "From what we observed in June, they came out of the trees and their first inclination was to mate," said Carl Dollhopf, a horticulturalist in Westland who was the first on record in North America to capture the tree-

killing emerald ash borer. In what amounts to double trouble in the fight to save ash trees, borers are not only prolific, but females make good mothers.

Since mid-summer, Dollhopf and scientists with the United States Department of Agriculture have been observing how a female borer protected her eggs.

"She laid two or three eggs here," he said, pointing to a section of tree. "Then she moved and laid two or three more eggs, and would fly to the next tree and lay some more."

By not putting all their eggs in one basket, emerald ash borers increase the odds of unhatched offspring being

overlooked by predators — none of which have been confirmed outside their native Asian habitat — and pesticide sprays.

"That's bad," said Joe Shock, city forester in Grosse Pointe Woods. "Even the elm bark beetle lays its eggs in one place."

Emerald ash borers are believed to have arrived in western Wayne County a few years ago stowed away in a wooden crate of automobile parts. The insects have been reproducing unchecked during a migration eastward mapped by thousands of dead ash trees.

Borers and dying trees began showing up in the Grosse Pointes a few weeks ago. At least four trees have been diagnosed in Grosse Pointe Park.

Unlike other non-native insects ransacking Michigan, such as the gypsy moth, whose egg mass is the size of a golf ball and can be seen by pesticide crews 30 feet away, individual emerald ash borer eggs are invisible to the naked eye. Dollhopf did his sleuthing with a magnifying glass, Sherlock Holmes style.

"Eggs are laid inside little bark flaps, cracks or crevices," he said, holding a foot-long section of infected limb cut from one of six dying ash trees in his back yard.

According to field observations, eggs take several weeks to hatch. Tiny, white, squiggly larvae kill trees by eating into the vital cambium layer directly beneath the bark.

"It makes a little chamber that is protected from normal sprays," said Keith Cray, chief deputy director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

Cambium distributes nutrients from roots to the

top of the crown. As larvae grow, they chew tunnels through cambium, cutting the flow of nutrients to branches and leaves, ending in the tree's death.

Upon transforming from squirming white larvae to metallic-green flying insects, emerald ash borers lose their appetite for wood. Adults do little but procreate and deposit eggs, Dollhopf has observed.

"They eat next to nothing," he said.

"It's a very unique and invasive species — a major challenge," said Ian Gray, director of the Michigan State University agricultural experiment station in East Lansing. "It poses a greater threat than the gypsy moth and Dutch elm."

Dollhopf anticipates the larvae stage remains until May.

"We don't know exactly," he said, "but that's the pattern of this type of insect."

Unlike most borers that emerge from trunks and branches in one big swoop, emeralds have been seen taking wing during at least a six-week period from late May to mid-July.

On top of that, a test population captured from Dollhopf's trees lived six weeks.

"That's pretty long," Dollhopf said. "Other bugs last two to three weeks if they're doing good."

That's more bad news in an age when long-lasting pesticides have been watered down for environmental safety.

"Most pesticides nowadays are short-lived," said the agricultural department's Cray. "It's pretty tough these days to get a long-term residual on a trunk stem."

"It makes it much harder to treat something that has

a six-week cycle," Shock said.

If sprays are the answer, Dollhopf said at least two applications will be needed to cover the six-week emergence.

"This is a tenacious pest," he said. "It's not going to be easily controlled."

At this time of year in the borer's one-year life cycle, eggs have hatched, adults have died, and young, worm-like larvae are eating cambium. Ash trees, on the other hand, are approaching dormancy. They are beginning to shut down their flow of nutrients in preparation for winter.

Although Shock hasn't seen emerald ash borers in Grosse Pointe Woods, the real test will come next spring.

By then, if larvae have been present over winter, infected ash trees will show characteristic signs of infestation: die-back in the crown and sudden growth of suckers from the lower trunk.

Trunks and limbs will be dotted with hard-to-find D-shaped exit holes from which an ever-increasing population of adult borers will have escaped. They will mate quickly, scatter eggs and start the relentless and expanding cycle over again.

Deb McCullough, a forest entomologist at Michigan State University who has been working on how to stem the borer tide, said more and more of southeast Michigan's ash trees are succumbing every year.

"It will be even worse next year," she said.

Tech

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a broken Jack-O-Lantern? You use a pumpkin patch, of course. Talk about scary. (Remember, I said pumpkin jokes. I didn't say good pumpkin jokes.)

Even though screen savers are no longer needed with today's personal computer monitors, a lot of folks still use them just for fun. If you want one for the spooky season, visit Halloween Scream Savers (screensavers.com). Note the different spellings for the Internet location of the site and the title of the site.

My favorite is the Halloween Haunted House. The house slowly builds itself from pieces falling from above. After the house is complete, it slowly falls apart.

Have a safe Halloween. If you're not sure how, stop by the Halloween Safety Web site (Halloween-Safety.com). And if you drink, have a designated broomstick driver.

Have a tech question or subject you would like addressed in this column? Want to comment or add your two cents worth? My e-mail address is mmaurer@bizserve.com.

Cops

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Rehab reject

A 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man, who said he's an alcoholic fresh out of a rehabilitation program, was caught minutes after allegedly stealing bottles of whiskey from a store in the 20700 block of Mack.

A store employee cornered the man in the men's room of a neighboring business.

Police arrived to capture the suspect. Officers recovered only one of two missing bottles of whiskey. Officers said the suspect's blood alcohol level was .227 percent.

Car recovered

A red, 1999 Jeep four-door that was stolen Tuesday, Oct. 1, from the 800 block of Brys in Grosse Pointe Woods was recovered the next day in the 600 block of Hawthorne. Police found the undamaged vehicle with its keys in the ignition.

— Brad Lindberg

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Museum gives glimpse of Grosse Pointe's past

By Jennie Miller
 Staff Writer

Imagine yourself traveling down cobblestone roads, riding in a horse-drawn carriage and purchasing goods at the local five-and-dime. Grosse Pointers can step into the past at the Detroit Historical Museum, which features many interactive exhibits showcasing the history of southeastern Michigan.

Its newest exhibit, "Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods," tells the story of the evolution of Detroit's suburbs and

neighborhoods after 1800. It displays 23 communities, including Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores, detailing their connections to each other and to the old central city of Detroit. Grosse Pointe resident and museum docent Amy Boohar finds the new exhibit beneficial to students and other museum patrons. "It is important for students to know their own sense of history and think about how Detroit's history connects to their own," she said. "Connections" is based on

Gene Scott's new book, "Detroit Beginnings," and is a collaboration of many historical societies, schools, libraries and citizens. Grosse Pointe's display was contributed by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society and includes photographs such as St. Paul Catholic Church, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and the Village shopping district.

It tells the story of French Canadian farmers who settled along Lake St. Clair's uninhabited marshes in 1750, later to be joined by Englishmen and Belgians.

A century later, Grosse Pointe was the site of elaborate cottages of vacationing Detroiters, which were replaced by year-round mansions after 1900.

By the 1950s, the area had evolved into four municipalities and the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores. The exhibit also features three rooms that replicate the typical sitting rooms of the 1700s, the 1800s and the 1900s.

This portion of "Connections" is a taste of the history one can literally step into in the museum's permanent exhibit, "The

Streets of Old Detroit." "This exhibit simulates what life was really like," Boohar said. "Patrons are able to step back in time and see what jobs they would have worn, where they would have gone to school, where they would have shopped and what the important issues were back then."

"Streets" replicates three different time periods and showcases a drugstore, a printing press, a dentist's office, an ice cream shop, a schoolhouse and other stores typical of that century. Patrons stroll down cobblestone, cedar block and brick-laid streets as they pass through

the streets of Detroit as it was in different time periods. The museum also hosts the "Motor City Exhibition," which tells the story of Detroit's rapid growth and how it became the world leader in automotive production.

"We live in Motor City. Seeing how that came to be gives patrons a sense of pride for where they come from," Boohar said.

At this exhibit, patrons can view a model of the first car made in Detroit by Charles Brady King, Henry Ford's Model T, Ransom E. Olds' first car and a model



Photo by Jennie Miller
 Amy Boohar presents the local exhibit featured in "Connections: Metro Detroit Neighborhoods."

of an assembly line that has a real body drop.

The assembly line brought more than 10,000 people to the city from all different countries — it helped make the suburbs like Grosse Pointe what they are today," Boohar said.

The museum shows this evolution of Detroit from farmland to an industrial giant, and communities like Grosse Pointe from settlements to suburbs.

Located at 5401 Woodward at Kirby, the museum is open Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for seniors and students. For groups of 10 or more, the fees are reduced by \$1.

The museum's education department offers tours,

workshops, outreach programs and curriculum materials.

For more information, call (313) 833-1805 or visit www.detroithistorical.org



Photo by Jennie Miller
 The "Land, Lives and Legends" exhibit, which provides an in-depth view of Michigan Native Americans, will be at the museum until November.

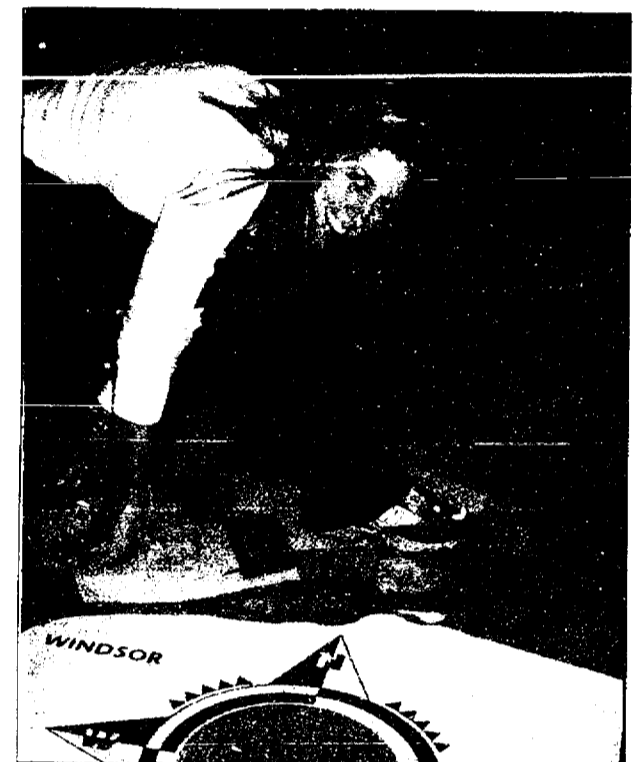


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 Grosse Pointe resident and Detroit Historical Museum docent Amy Boohar demonstrates "Name That Neighborhood," the museum's game of Twister using Detroit's suburbs.

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Fromm-Vlasak

Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Fromm of Bloomfield Hills have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Farrell Fromm, to Jonathan Haynes Vlasak, son of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Vlasak of the City of Grosse Pointe. A December wedding is planned.

Fromm earned a bachelor of science degree in psychology from Michigan State University. She is working on a master of arts degree in labor and industrial relations at MSU.

Vlasak earned a bachelor of arts degree in supply chain management from Michigan State University's Eli Broad School of Business.

He is a product materials manager with Cisco Systems in San Jose, Calif.

Chevalier-Teitge

Mr. and Mrs. Robert John Chevalier of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tara Marie Chevalier, to Dr. Stefan Robert Teitge, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Teitge of Grosse Pointe Shores.



Dr. Stefan Robert Teitge and Tara Marie Chevalier

A July wedding is planned.

The bride earned a bachelor of science degree in industrial and operations engineering from the University of Michigan.

She is a senior consultant with Clarkston Consulting.

The groom earned a bachelor of science degree in biology from Stanford University and a doctor of medicine degree from Wayne State University.

He is a third-year emergency resident at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.



Timothy Rowen Husband and Elizabeth Moore Fuger

Fuger-Husband

Mr. and Mrs. David K. Fuger of Grosse Pointe Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Moore Fuger, to Timothy Rowen Husband, son of Richard W. Husband of Marblehead, Mass., and the late Julia D. Husband. An August wedding is planned.

Fuger graduated from Denison University. She works in real estate in Jackson, Wyo.

Husband graduated from the New England Culinary Institute and in is a chef Jackson Hole, Wyo.

Forster-Peberdy

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald G. Forster of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter,

Barbara A. Forster, to Robert E. Peberdy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peberdy of Kenilworth, England. A November wedding is planned.

Forster earned a bachelor of science degree in finance and marketing from Boston



Robert E. Peberdy and Barbara A. Forster

College. She is a project manager with Ford Motor Co.

Peberdy studied mechanical and production engineering at Mid Warwickshire College in Leamington Spa, England. He is a project manager with Durr Automation.

Brownscombe-Collins

Dr. and Mrs. William Brownscombe of the City of Grosse Pointe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Darby Lee Brownscombe, to Brett Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Collins of the City of Grosse Pointe. A June wedding is planned.

Brownscombe earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan's School of Education. She is a



Darby Lee Brownscombe and Brett Collins

second-grade teacher at Grosse Pointe Academy.

Collins earned a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications from the University of Pittsburgh.

He is an account executive with J. Walter Thompson.

Weddings

Lewis-Barlow

Meghan Elizabeth Lewis, daughter of William and Karen Lewis of Buffalo, N.Y., married John Charles Jeffrey Barlow, son of John and Martha Barlow of Grosse Pointe Woods, on Sept. 28, 2001, at First Presbyterian Church in Buffalo.

The Rev. Geri Lyon officiated at the 4 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Niagara Falls Country Club in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

The bride wore a white silk tulle gown that featured a boat neck, a partly open back and covered buttons. She carried a bouquet of



Mr. and Mrs. John Charles Jeffrey Barlow

autumn colored roses, hosta, thistle and berries.

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Katherine Lewis of Buffalo.

Bridesmaids were the groom's sisters, Marimatha Barlow Clark and Kathryn Barlow, both of the City of Grosse Pointe; Maggie McFeely of New Canaan, Conn.; Wendy Brelloff of Buffalo, N.Y.; and Clare Tucker of New York City.

Attendants wore celadon green silk shantung empire waist dresses with spaghetti straps. They carried bouquets of roses, hosta and berries.

Mark Brewster of Grosse Pointe Woods was the best man.

Groomsmen were the groom's brother, Robbie Barlow of the City of Grosse Pointe; the bride's brother, Patrick Lewis of Buffalo; Matthew Seitz of Garden City, N.Y.; Michael Campbell of Rye, N.Y.; Brian Biddinger of Bay Village, Ohio; and Tom Jefson of Kalamazoo.

The mother of the bride wore an olive green silk column dress with a matching chiffon jacket. She carried a nosegay of roses, hosta and berries.

The groom's mother wore a midnight blue peau de soie suit with jewel-covered buttons and three-quarter length sleeves. She carried a nosegay of roses, hosta and berries.

The bride earned a bachelor of arts degree from

Denison University and is working on a doctoral degree in clinical psychology.

The groom earned a bachelor of arts degree from Denison University and a JD degree from Case Western Reserve University. He is associated with Roetzel & Address, LPA, in Cleveland, Ohio.

The couple traveled to the Dominican Republic. They live in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Kosky-Sclabassi

Jennifer Ann Kosky, daughter of Terrence Kosky of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Frances Kosky, married Michael John Sclabassi, son of Geno and Judi Sclabassi of Northville, on Sept. 14, 2002, at St. Paul Catholic Church.

The Rev. Tom Urban officiated at the 2:30 p.m. ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Detroit Athletic Club.

The bride carried a bouquet of peach and rust-colored flowers.

The maid of honor was Susan Lumetta of Lake Orion.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Bethany Mack of St. Clair and Danielle Lumetta of Troy.

Attendants wore satin lavender dresses. The best man was the groom's brother, Dr. Gary Sclabassi of Milford.

Groomsmen were David Kosky of Manhattan, N.Y., Don Sweeney of Evanston, Ill., and Nick Sclabassi of Northville.

The bride earned a degree in economics and political science from the University of Michigan. She is employed in marketing and advertising.

The groom earned a degree in marketing from Western Michigan University. He is also in marketing and advertising.

The couple honeymooned in Rome and Amalfi, Italy. They live in Rochester Hills.

Babies

Audrey Lynn Turner

Allyson and Bill Turner of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a daughter, Audrey Lynn Turner, born Aug. 17, 2002. Maternal grandparents are Susan Swope of Eastpointe and Michael Swope of Sterling Heights. Paternal grandparents are Lynn and Bill Turner of Grosse Pointe Farms. Great-grandparents are Connie and Jim Smart of Dearborn, Gladys Swope

of Ypsilanti, and Joe Swope of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Andrew Michael Vallan

Shelly and Tony Vallan of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Andrew Michael Vallan, born July 11, 2002.

Maternal grandparents are Mike and Barb Ballew of St. Clair. Paternal grandparents are Ron and Sue Vallan of Grosse Pointe Farms.



NEW ARRIVALS OF 2002

Grosse Pointe News and The Connection newspapers are planning their 8th annual special edition featuring the babies of the past year. We hope you (and the little one) will participate by supplying us with a photograph of your child (only 2002 babies, please) for publication in this section.

This tabloid will be published January 23, 2003. Your child's picture, along with other 2002 babies, will be the main attraction! News and advertising about clothing, feeding, educating and caring for your child will also be included. It will be very informative as well as a commemorative edition for you!

Please send a cute, clear photo (color or black & white, home or studio produced, not computer generated, preferably smaller than a 5x7) to Grosse Pointe News & The Connection, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236. Attention: Kim Mackey, Display Advertising. Complete the information slip with your child's full name, date of birth and hospital and return it with your photo. Please print the baby's name on the back of the photo so you can pick it up at our office after printing or include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Your picture must be received in our office no later than Wednesday, December 18th, earlier would assist our production schedule. (Late November and December birth photos may be submitted until January 3, 2003.)

We look forward to producing our annual "Baby Edition" and are sure you want your little one included. A limited number of extra copies will be available for purchase to give to family and friends.

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Detroit's largest project for Make a Difference Day, Saturday, Oct. 26, is an effort organized by the Children's Center, Community Care Services/Compeer and Family Services and Learning Center.

The "Celebration of Care" project consists of collecting items — non-perishable food, new and gently used clothing, boots and shoes, coats and school supplies — during a 10-day period and delivering them to sites in the tri-county area.

One local drop off site is the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook in Grosse Pointe Woods. Anyone may drop off items between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday between Oct. 14 and 23.

More than 20 different nonprofit metropolitan Detroit agencies will be aided by these donations.

For more information about donations or volunteering, call Amy Devone of the Children's Center at (313) 831-5535, ext. 1130 or contact adevone@childrensctr.net.

Degas at the DIA: Detroiters will soon be able to experience the world of the 19th-century Paris Opera ballet as seen through the eyes of one of its most passionate observers, French Impressionist Edgar Degas. The Detroit Institute of Arts' long-anticipated "Degas and the Dance," opens Sunday, Oct. 20, and runs through mid-January of 2003. In Detroit the show is sponsored by DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund.

This is the first exhibition to fully examine Degas' work in the context of 19th-century ballet, with costume designs, maquettes of stage sets and photographs of dancers included to provide a more complete picture of the Paris Opera ballet.

Degas' unlimited access to the dancers' world enabled him to spend hours observing and sketching in classrooms and in the wings and backstage areas of the bal-

let. This "backstage pass," along with his exceptional artistic ability, resulted in some of the most revealing and intimate images of dance ever seen.

"Degas and the Dance has already generated a great deal of excitement," said **Graham W. J. Beal**, DIA director. "We have sold more than 20,000 tickets, with a month to go before the exhibition opens. Our staff is gearing up to welcome visitors from around the world and from our own backyard to see Degas' exquisite works of art and to experience a bit of his life."

Degas and the Dance showcases more than 100 paintings, sculptures and drawings from 97 collections in 11 countries.

Timed tickets are required and include museum admission and an adult or youth audio tour. There are no exchanges or refunds. For individual tickets call (866) DEGASTIX or visit the DIA box office. A handling charge applies to phone orders. Advance reservations are mandatory for groups of 20 or more. Groups should call (313) 833-1292. Prices range from \$8 to \$18, depending on age and day of the week for the visit. DIA members will be admitted without a charge. For more information, call (313) 833-7971.

For children: The Greater Detroit Auxiliary of Childhelp USA will hold its third annual wine tasting, dinner and auction on Friday, Oct. 11, at a private club in Grosse Pointe. The annual fundraiser raises money to support treatment, prevention and research of abused and neglected children.

Founded in 1959 by Sara O'Meara and Yvonne Feddersen, Childhelp USA is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to meeting the physical, emotional, educational and spiritual needs of abused and neglected children. Efforts and resources are focused in the areas of treatment, prevention and research.

This year's event will benefit local efforts as well as the Childhelp USA National Child Abuse Hotline and a planned residential facility — the Childhelp USA Assessment/Treatment Center of Michigan — which will provide short-term shelter and assess-

ment services as well as longer term residential care.

Each year the event honors someone who has made positive progress in the fight against child abuse and neglect with an award called the Compassionate Angel. This year's recipient, **Angelo Nicholas**, is the Director of Macomb County's Family Independence Agency. Nicholas is being recognized for his efforts in addressing the serious issues surrounding abused and neglected children.

"The response and support from the community and those working in the court system has been incredible," said **Elizabeth Brazilian**, president of the Greater Detroit Auxiliary. "We know that it is imperative that this facility is built so that we can better support the needs of the most severely abused and neglected children in our community. The success of this event will bring us closer to our goal of building this facility."

The evening, "Celebrate the Child," will feature a live auction of such items as designer gowns worn by actress Charlize Theron at the Oscar Awards; a David Yurman silver and 14K gold quartz watch; a fiberglass reproduction of an antique wooden carousel horse; a 1992 Kawasaki Vulcan 1500 customized motorcycle; travel packages for Italy, Spain, Hungary, the Canary Islands or Izapa; a week's vacation in a five-bedroom condo in Park City, Utah; a week's stay at a condo on Singer Island, Fla.; and one week's stay in Aspen, Colo.

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a wine tasting and a strolling dinner. Guests can enjoy the sounds of Intrigue, a 10-piece band. A silent auction of items, including dinners at some of metro Detroit's finest restaurants, exclusive bottles of wine, rounds of golf and hand-painted children's furniture, will precede the live auction.

Tickets for the evening are \$75 a person (35 years and under), \$125 a person (36 years and older), \$500 for Patrons and \$1,000 for Benefactors. To order tickets or get more information for "Celebrate the Child," call **Char Terry** at (248) 642-8719.

Indigo blues: Cool jazz in the heart of Detroit's

Cultural Center is on tap Saturday, Oct. 19, as the Detroit Discovery Museum hosts its second Indigo Night fundraiser.

Currently, a group of community leaders and activists are working to create the Detroit Discovery Museum, which will be the metro area's first interactive independent children's museum.

Indigo Night will begin at 7 p.m. at the historic Scarab Club in downtown Detroit. Guests can look forward to a night of music and dance with performances by Ursula Walker, accompanied by pianist Buddy Budson and the Dave McMurray band.

A weekend at The Inn on Ferry Street, pieces from Ahee Jewelers and a chance to be a co-DJ at "Smooth Jazz" 98.7-FM radio station are a few of the items up for bid during the evening's silent auction.

"This year's Indigo Night will be a jazzy chic event, full of great food and entertainment," said **Alyssa Martina**, co-president of the Detroit Discovery Museum. "We are excited by the amount of support



Farm, Garden Club
The Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club won two first place awards for outstanding achievement in horticultural therapy.

Prizes were awarded by the Michigan division and the Women's National Farm and Garden Association Inc. **Susan Durant**, left, and **Shirley Bradley** were co-chairmen of the project at the **Parker Cottage** at the Children's Home of Detroit. Assistants were **Harriet Port** and **Leslie Sloan**.



Golden Jubilee of Queen
The Daughters of the British Empire celebrated the golden jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II on Sept. 15 at the Detroit Yacht Club.

Surrounding the last official copy of the queen's portrait are, from left, **Grosse Pointers Eleanor Marsh, Carolyn Ricca, Marleine Ricca, Doris Erickson, Maryan Binns, Mildred Murray, Maureen Selim, Beulah Wells, Joan Carter, Jean Carter and Mildred Wilson.**

we are receiving from the metro Detroit community and hope this will bring us one step closer to our goal of bringing an interactive children's museum to Detroit."

Tickets for Indigo Night are \$100. Call (313) 438-

1277.

Belle Isle walk: October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The American Cancer Society wants men, women and children to celebrate breast cancer survivors and raise funds to support breast cancer research by participating in the fifth anniversary "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" walk. The 5-mile non-competitive walk will be held on Saturday, Oct. 12, at Belle Isle Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call (248) 557-5353 or visit www.cancer.org.

Coupons help kids: The Kroger Co. of Michigan and Kessel Food Markets

will rally for the children in need beginning Sunday, Oct. 13 and continuing through Tuesday, Oct. 22. The "Cash for Kids" campaign, a coupon redemption program, will benefit Variety—The Children's Charity.

Shoppers pick up a "Cash for Kids" coupon tabloid from any of the participating stores and use the enclosed coupons to purchase the products at special prices.

Funds will help Variety provide medical, therapeutic and recreational facilities as well as educational services to children with special needs in Southeastern Michigan.

— Margie Reins Smith

Meetings

Herb Society

The Grosse Pointe unit of The Herb Society of America will hold an herbal craft sale from 2 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16, and Thursday, Oct. 17 at the Grosse Pointe Academy, 171 Lakeshore, in the Moran Road entrance hallway.

Farm, Garden Association and G.P. Park Garden Club

The Grand Marais branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at noon Monday, Oct. 14, at the Children's Home of Detroit. The program will be "Botanical Imagery" by Linda Wells of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Rose Society

The Grosse Pointe Rose Society met on Oct. 9 to hear a talk by James Farquhar, owner of Grosse Pointe Florists. He spoke about planting bulbs.

AAUW

The Grosse Pointe branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday,

Oct. 15 at Andiamo's in St. Clair Shores for dinner and a wine tasting. Reservations may be made for the dinner, tasting and lecture (\$41.50) or for dinner and the lecture (\$29.50) by sending a check payable to AAUWGP by Saturday, Oct. 12, to Melissa Ryan, 23309 Gaukler, St. Clair Shores, 48080.

Garden Clubs of Michigan

The Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan Inc. will

hold its annual fall meeting on Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Farmington Hills Manor in Farmington Hills.

The meeting is open to members within District No. 1. The Livonia Garden Club is host.

Classical Music League

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League will meet at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club. The business meeting will be followed by cocktails at 11:30 a.m. and luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

The program, beginning at 1:30 p.m., will feature Davis Gloff at the piano.

Tickets are \$20 and checks should be sent to Louise Lee, 9 Shorecrest Circle, Grosse Pointe Shores, 48236. Tickets will be held at the door. For more information, call (313) 886-5160.

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As police car and fire engine
Wound their way through mid-town Kercheval
While Hill Association outside
Their shops and daily livelihood sang
"God Bless America" and city's leader
Proudly the largest among flags hailed.

Nine eleven Anno Domini
Two thousand two. It is good
Always to remember downs and ups
Together, lest we dismember in
Some sort of evil discriminating
Apartheid of body, mind or soul.
Two thousand one towers among us
As prayer call to Shalom Salaam
Keeping us from going to pieces.

On the way toward ten eleven
I recall Francis of Assisi,
This prayer attributed to him:
"Lord, make us instruments of your peace
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon,
Where there is discord, union;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

"Grant that we may not so much seek
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
It is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

FELC presents concert on Oct. 13

The Open Door series at First English Ev. Lutheran Church will present Nanette Sonneman, soprano, at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, at the church, 800 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Sonneman will be accompanied by clarinetist Sam Martin and pianist Gerrie Ball in a variety of vocal

music selections.

Tickets are \$8; \$5 for seniors and students and will be available at the door.



Sonneman

Shores resident named Peacemaker at church

Virginia Hill Rice of Grosse Pointe Shores has been named Peacemaker of the Year by Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. She is a nurse and Wayne State University professor whose efforts have impacted African Americans and Arab Americans in Metro Detroit.

The public is invited to presentation ceremonies at the church during its services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 13. Rice was instrumental in acquiring two notable grants. In 2000 she won a \$1.6 million grant for WSU's College of Nursing that embodies a five-year clinical trial, "Arab American Youth Tobacco Use and Intervention." She proposed the study after learning that tobacco use is extremely high in the Middle East.

According to the World Health Organization, nations with the highest rates of tobacco use are Iraq, Palestine, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Jordan and Tunisia, where 76 percent of the people use tobacco. American's tobacco use rate is 23 percent.

Rice's goal is the creation of a teaching program through schools and local television in Dearborn,

where approximately 50 percent of the students are Arab American. The grant was awarded by the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development. Results of the trial are expected in 2005.

An earlier grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation resulted in creation of a free clinic at Detroit's Tied Stone Baptist Church in 1998. Rice and a colleague at the University of Michigan responded to findings that 100 of the church's 1,200 members had died in a single year, mostly from preventable diseases.

She became the first director of the Imani Family Clinic, which is temporarily closed pending results of an application for additional funding.

Rice also volunteers her nursing skills at Crossroads, a Detroit crisis center for the needy. She was a volunteer nurse at one of the 12 community clinics in the black churches of Detroit and served on the Project Health on Wheels board of directors.

Marcus Shelley, chairman of the Outreach Council at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, said the Peacemaker Award is given

to "someone who has changed metro Detroit through a history of voluntary actions that positively and significantly impact others." The Outreach Council names Peacemaker Award recipients.

"I am very honored to be recognized by Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and its very active leadership and membership for the 2002 Peacemaker Award. There are so many in this church who give of their valuable time and talents to make this a better world to live in. I feel privileged to be counted among them."

Rice teaches at the Karmanos Cancer Institute and is a professor at the WSU College of Nursing. She has served on the Arab Health Council, which is part of the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS), since 1988.

Throughout the 1990s, Rice was given awards and recognition by the Michigan Public Health Institute, the Midwest Nursing Research Society and the Michigan Department of Community Health. She was recognized by Gov. John Engler for her contribution to the Tobacco-



Virginia Hill Rice

Free Michigan Action Coalition and has been a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing since 1989.

Rice and her husband William, an ear, nose and throat surgeon who co-founded and is medical director of the Holley Ear Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the St. John Health System, have lived in Grosse Pointe since 1968. They have two grown sons, Grant and Garrett. A reception for Rice will be held at 10 a.m., between worship services on Sunday, Oct. 13. The church is located at 16 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms.



Photo by Roger Skully

LTA board

The new Lay Theological Academy board members for 2002-03 are: (back row, from left) the Rev. Fred Harms, Patricia Coe and Ken Block. In the middle, from left, are Helen Hart, Marian Impastato, Doris Brucker, Ethel Burwell, George Port, Sharon Snyder, Regina Gersch and Vicar Benjamin Sandin. In the front, from left, are the Rev. Tom Rice; the Rev. Scott Davis, president; Patricia Worrell; Genevieve Casey; and Dr. Cal Worrell.

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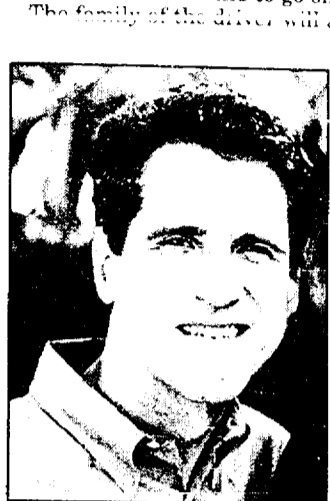
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By Jeff Jay
Special Writer

The young man responsible for the death of three companions last summer has recently been sentenced to a prison term by a local court. It's impossible to talk about justice in the face of such a senseless tragedy, but at least there will be punishment.

While the sentence meted out by the court is properly apportioned to the young man, the greatest suffering will be borne by the larger group of victims who will agonize over the slaughter for the rest of their lives. There is no way to fathom the pain of the families who had a young one killed on that warm summer night. There is no recovery and no closure. Time will not heal this wound, but it will mercifully form a scab that will allow life to go on.



Jeff Jay

The family of the driver will also suffer in ways that are equally incalculable. Although they did not commit the crime they will be intimately associated with it and tainted for all time with questions unanswered. The young man himself may have hoped to build a life in our community, but regardless of the debt he pays to society, it is doubtful he could ever raise a family in this town.

In working with the families of chemically dependent

people, I see many unintended consequences of addictive disease. An alcoholic mother may not care about the breakup of her marriage, scoffing at the love of a bewildered spouse. But she never intends to harm her young children, even as she forgets to buckle their seat belts shortly before the car crash.

An addicted father may be cavalier in the face of losing his livelihood, berating his former boss and vowing to get a better job. But he has no thought of physically lashing out at his son, and may not remember it the next day.

Relationships, children and careers are easily chewed up and spit out by alcoholism and drug addiction. To the disease, they are meaningless, as addiction seeks only to feed itself.

Perspective may be the only sure reward of age, allowing one to look across the generations with experience rather than conjecture. Over the course of our lives we all become intimately acquainted with the law of unintended consequences. This maxim states that the actions of people cause a ripple effect that goes far beyond their original intentions.

In times of tragedy this point is brought home with a vengeance. We will never know all the horrors that result from last summer's terrible crash nor all the lives it touches.

But in the quiet life of addiction, often played out behind closed doors and double pane windows, the law of unintended consequences can be even more pervasive. Addiction twists the lives of everyone it touches, breeding dishonesty, anger and abuse; or conversely, depression, guilt and disgrace.

Once set in motion, a tragedy that happens at 70 mph may be as unavoidable as its consequences are inexorable. But a silent tragedy that plays out over months and years can be stemmed, the blood staunch, and the wound healed.

If we have the courage to act.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors of, "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction," published by Hazelden. They are professional interventionists who live in Grosse Pointe Farms. They may be contacted at (313) 882-6921 or through their Web site: www.lovefirst.net.

Women's Health Symposium slated at Assumption Cultural Center

One good habit, particularly when it replaces an unhealthy one, can change a person's life for the better. Catch the inspiration you need to improve your health and well-being at the Bon Secours Cottage Women's Symposium 2002, "The Power of ONE GOOD Habit" on Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Assumption Cultural Center in St. Clair Shores.

Join in the fun as nutrition and wellness expert Zonya Foco shares her solutions to getting and staying motivated for optimal energy and health. All this is done with a simple focus: YOU plus the complete adaptation of ONE GOOD HABIT.

Foco is known for surprising her seminar and television audiences with a 24-foot human gastrointestinal tract from her traveling cooler. If you've caught her on HGTV, Knowledge TV, Discovery Health, PBS or the home shopping channel, QVC, then you know how she can make you laugh at lifestyle faux pas, then ever so gently nudge you onto the path to better health.

As a registered dietitian, certified health and fitness instructor and author of the best-selling lifestyle cookbook "Lickety-Split Meals: For Health Conscious People on the Go," Foco has the solutions needed for a healthier, more balanced lifestyle.

"When is the last time you laughed so hard, and walked away cured from an unhealthy habit?" Foco asks. "Has the suggestion of a good habit ever hit you so hard between the eyes that you immediately started doing it and kept at it from that very moment on? You won't believe how the tiniest, most painless habits, when practiced daily, can add up to a huge change in the way you look and feel about yourself."

According to Foco, you can

forget dieting forever.

"With a different choice here and a little movement there, you can map out a strategy to rev up your metabolism and lose 50 pounds or 50 points off your cholesterol in one year, and keep it off," she said. "It's really that simple."

The evening will begin with an hors d'oeuvre reception between 5 and 6 p.m. and includes a relaxing dinner, the featured speaker, displays and useful gifts and information. Each attendee

receives Foco's book, "The Power of Positive Eating," and her cookbook will be available for purchase.

The entire evening is \$36 a person. Due to the popularity of this event, tables of 10 are assigned as reservations are received.

Register today for the Bon Secours Cottage Women's Symposium 2002 — "The Power of ONE GOOD Habit" — on Wednesday, Nov. 6. For a personal invitation and reservation form, call (586) 779-7900.

Don't flu around; get your shot

The Wayne County Department of Public Health is encouraging senior citizens and those with chronic illnesses to get immunized against influenza before the start of the flu season, which typically starts in November and runs through April.

"Maximum protection against influenza occurs when the vaccinations are given early, before the flu season begins," said Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, medical director for the Wayne County Department of Public Health. "Persons aged 50 and older, anyone with chronic heart, lung and kidney diseases and those with diabetes and weakened immune systems should get a yearly flu shot."

In addition to influenza, individuals 50 years and

older as well as those at risk for pneumococcal disease, should also consider getting pneumococcal immunization if they have never received this vaccine previously, or if they need a booster dose.

"A \$10 donation for the flu shot and \$16 for pneumonia vaccine are being requested.

"However, no one will be turned away due to inability to pay," Lawrenchuk said. "These shots are also covered services under Medicare."

County health workers will ask clients to present their Medicare cards so that these services may be billed to Medicare."

Flu symptoms may include fever, headache,

extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose and muscle aches. According to Lawrenchuk, the term "stomach flu" is sometimes used to describe vomiting, nausea or diarrhea.

However, these illnesses are caused by other viruses or bacteria and are not related to influenza.

The National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicates that 20,000 Americans die yearly from flu and related complications and more than 100,000 people are hospitalized.

Individuals seeking flu and pneumococcal shots can get them at Wayne County's health centers.

St. John Hospital offers free screening for depression

A free lecture and private confidential depression screening will take place Thursday, Oct. 10, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, during National Depression Screening Day.

A psychiatrist will give a lecture and answer questions beginning at 5:30 p.m. Individual, confidential self-assessment depression tests and opportunities to speak with mental health professionals follow until 7 p.m. The events will be held in St. John Hospital's Professional Building One (22151 Moross at Mack), Suite G-30.

Depression affects almost one in 10 adults in the United States. Symptoms may include feeling sad, empty, fatigued, having trouble concentrating or

feeling restless or irritable as well as sleeping too much, not being able to sleep or thinking about death or suicide.


No registration is necessary.

For more information call (313) 343-7054 or call (888) 757-5463.

Oct. 17 is fall blood drive

The Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council will hold a blood drive from 1:30 to 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Mzume.

Babysitting and transportation are available on request. For information or an appointment, call (313) 823-3952.



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The outer ear includes the auricle (or pinna), the ear canal and the eardrum. It channels sounds from the surrounding environment into the hearing system. The auricle helps to gather sound waves and the auditory canal then directs them to the eardrum. Typical problems in the outer ear include excessive accumulation of earwax and infection of the ear canal, such as "swimmer's ear".

The middle ear is an air-filled cavity which contains the smallest bones in the human body (the malleus, incus and stapes). Problems with the middle ear include perforation of the eardrum, infection or fluid in the middle ear and otosclerosis (a condition that occurs when the tiny bones in the middle ear

become fused together).

In the inner ear includes the cochlea, which contains the hearing nerves, and the semicircular canals, which help control balance. The majority of hearing problems results from damage to the cochlea. Typical causes are the natural aging process, excessive exposure to noise, head injuries and the side effect of some medications.

If you are concerned about your hearing or what caused your current hearing loss, come to GROSSE POINTE AUDIOLOGY, 19794 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods, for a professional evaluation by a doctorate-level licensed Audiologist. Call us at 313-343-5555 to make your appointment.



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Health

Marijuana is riskier than most people believe

The perception of marijuana as a harmless drug gained steam during the '60s and '70s. Rock groups and other pop culture figures from that era unwittingly characterized the drug as benign.

Now, several decades later, that soft perception — a misperception — continues, even though marijuana is much more potent and more dangerous than ever before. That soft perception continues, even though more teens enter treatment for marijuana addiction each year than for all other illicit

drugs combined. "Marijuana is riskier than people think, especially for kids," said John P. Walters, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). "It can lead to significant health and behavior problems for youth — disrupting families and jeopardizing our children's futures. The risks associated with marijuana have been trivialized and our kids are getting the wrong message."

"It is time to dispel the myths about marijuana. We must arm parents, teachers, community leaders and our

children with the truth."

Walters' remarks were made to help kick off the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign, a major marijuana prevention initiative launched in September by the ONDCP and 17 national organizations, including the American Medical Association. The effort is in response to the popularity of marijuana, particularly among young people.

According to the recently released 2001 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, a survey of 70,000

Americans age 12 years and older, the percentage of current marijuana users (those who used at least once in the last month) increased from 4.8 percent in 2000 to 5.4 percent in 2001.

Marijuana is by far the most widely used illicit drug among American youth. Sixty percent of young people who use illicit drugs use marijuana only, and twice as many eighth-graders today have tried marijuana as compared to a decade ago. The new users of this psychoactive drug have been getting younger since 1972.

New users ages 12 to 17 doubled from 800,000 in 1990 to 1.6 million in 1996; the number of new users in that age group has remained at about 1.6 million each year since 1996.

Especially alarming in the recent drug use survey is that young people's attitudes about marijuana remain soft. The percentage of young people ages 12 to 17 who view marijuana use as a "great risk" declined from 55 percent in 2000 to 53.5 percent in 2001. This reduced perception of risk is an important predictor of future drug use.

Thus, the high incidence of marijuana use among young people is expected to continue. To help reverse this trend, prevention specialists urge parents and young people to learn more about the facts of marijuana. For instance:

- Marijuana today is much more potent. The average THC content (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol) of marijuana, or the chemical that produces the "high," has increased fivefold, from 1 percent in 1974 to 5 percent in 1997.

- Acute effects. Marijuana can impair speech, thinking, judgment, short-term memory, coordination and balance. It can cause drowsiness, dizziness, impaired vision, severe vomiting, headache and dizziness, all hazards to anyone attempting to drive.

- Respiratory problems and cancer. Chronic marijuana use contributes to respiratory ailments such as coughs, sore throats, bronchitis and pneumonia.

Marijuana contains cancer-causing agents similar to tobacco smoke.

- Addiction. About 200,000 people who enter drug treatment each year report marijuana as their primary drug of choice. Sixty percent of teens in drug treatment for illicit drugs are there because of marijuana.

- Increased risky behavior. Young marijuana users are more likely to engage in risky behaviors such as having sex, committing acts of violence and driving under the influence. Weekly users are five times more likely to steal and four times more likely to engage in violent acts than those who don't use.

- Poor academic performance. Research suggests that marijuana is linked with decreased motivation and energy and marijuana users don't do as well in school. Young people with an average grade of D or below were more than four times as likely to have used marijuana than those with an average grade of A.

Studies show that parents are the single most powerful influence in their children's lives. Parents who are involved and talk to their kids about drugs can keep them drug-free.

For more information on marijuana, visit the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign Web site at www.theantidrug.com. Downloadable copies of "Keeping Your Kids Drug-Free: A How To Guide for Parents and Caregivers" are available, or call (800) 788-2800 to receive a free hard copy. "Dangerous Drugs: An Easy-to-Use Reference for Parents and Professionals," a Hazelden book by Carol Falkowski, provides information on marijuana and other drugs; call (800) 328-9000.

This health column offers information needed to help prevent substance abuse problems and address such problems. It is provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers information and treatment services on addiction. For more resources, call (800) 257-7800 or go to www.hazelden.org.

Van Elslander Center offers free breast exams

Physicians are offering free clinical breast exams Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 16 and 17 between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Grosse Pointe Woods.

A nurse from the Liggett Breast Center will also be on hand to teach participants proper breast self-examination techniques. October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Results of the screening can be sent to each person's own physician for follow-up. There will be no mammograms given during these exams, but the physicians will address questions about breast cancer.

To register for a free appointment, call (888) 757-5463 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5

p.m. The Van Elslander Cancer Center is located behind St. John Hospital at Mack and Moross, east of I-94.

The exams will check for signs of malignant or benign tumors. Although most people think of breast cancer as affecting women, men can develop breast cancer as well.

The following risk factors may increase the chance of getting the condition:

- Female
- Age 50 or older
- Personal history of breast cancer
- Family members with breast cancer
- Changes in breast tissue
- Changes in certain genes

- Increased exposure to estrogen over a lifetime through early onset of men-

struation

- Late onset of menopause
- No childbearing or late childbearing
- Taking hormone replacement therapy for long periods of time
- Increased breast density
- Radiation therapy before age 30
- Alcohol use

The majority of the women who are diagnosed with breast cancer are not considered to be high risk. More commonly, women who get breast cancer have as few as one of the risk factors listed above, other than the risk that comes with growing older.

During a clinical breast exam the doctor carefully feels the breast for lumps and the surrounding tissue. If a lump is found, the doctor examines its size and texture and determines whether the lump moves easily.

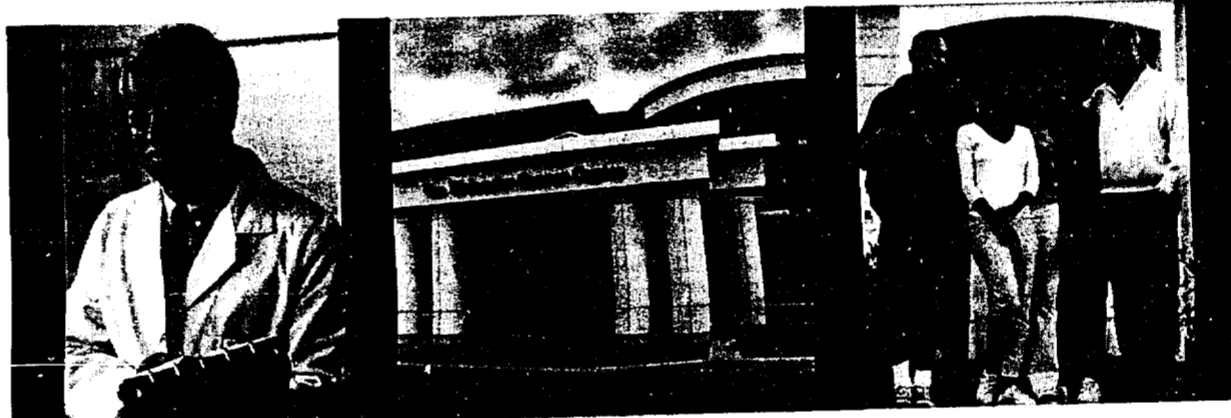
Because the cause of breast cancer is unknown, finding it early and treating it is the best way to prevent dying from the disease.

Because it does not always cause symptoms in the early stages, it is important to have screening tests to find the cancer before symptoms appear.

It is recommended that women between the ages of 20 and 39 have a clinical breast examination by a health professional every three years.

After age 40, women should have a breast exam by a health care professional every year.

Women age 20 or older should perform a breast self-examination every month.



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Bon Secours Nursing Center seeks volunteers

If you have time to give, consider volunteering at the Bon Secours Nursing Care Center or Charlotte's Place Senior Day Care Center. Both are located on Jefferson at Lakeland between 10 and 11 Mile roads in St. Clair Shores. Individuals of all ages and abilities are needed to assist specially trained music, art, and recreation therapists, dietitians, chaplains and other professionals. Members of corporations, service organizations and community groups also are welcome.

"Volunteering is a terrific way to explore areas of interest and even identify potential career paths," said Brian Oberly, administrator at the NCC. "The older population will continue to grow significantly in the future and will flourish between 2010 and 2030 as Baby Boomers reach age 65.

There will be many rewarding career options in the elder care field. For individuals of all ages, simply offering the gift of time and companionship to another human being is a rewarding experience."

Because recreation and social interaction are important components of elder care, volunteers can assist with transporting residents from the NCC and guests at Charlotte's Place to group sing-alongs or arts and crafts activities, or they can assist in pet therapy sessions and outings to local restaurants. There also are opportunities for volunteers with domestic pets to visit with residents and guests.

Volunteers are needed weekdays, weekends and evenings. To find out more about volunteer opportunities at the NCC or Charlotte's Place, call (586) 779-7011.

DON'T TAKE A HERO'S SPACE



The Disabled American Veterans asks everyone to respect parking spaces reserved for handicapped people.



DAV National Headquarters, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45230-0301

St. John offers healing arts classes

October classes open to the community at the Healing Arts Center in the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Grosse Pointe Woods include:

Aromatherapy I, on Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m., will demonstrate how aromatherapy, visualization, color and affirmations can be combined to enhance one's sense of well-being and promote relaxation. Each participant will create his or her own aromatherapy lotion, oil or bath salt.

Meditation: Beginner, on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. to noon, provides a powerful class beginning with the basic information on stress, and how it affects one physically, mentally and emotionally. Participants will learn techniques of relaxation, breath work, and basic meditation practice.

Seniors: Stay physically active during winter

As colder weather approaches, people tend to stay inside more, almost ready to "hibernate" for the winter. You can greatly improve your health during the winter months, however, simply by staying active.

Physical activity helps improve mental health because endorphins released during exercise fight depression. Activity also keeps joints flexible, increases balance and agility and improves cardiovascular health.

The first step in starting any exercise program must be to check with your physician. Once cleared for exercise, people have a variety of options, according to Mary Guerra, an advanced practice registered nurse in the Senior Assessment Center of Mount Clemens General Hospital.

"Many people like to partner with a friend to keep motivated," Guerra said. "They can get involved in an exercise class at a local gym, walk in a mall or outside, swim at a community pool or go to local dances."

If you are just beginning an exercise program, consider the following tips:

- Keep hydrated
- Start slowly and build up to about 30 to 60 minutes a day
- Remember to breathe.
- Rest when tired

Even if you're in poor health right now, exercise can help, perhaps even reducing your need for medications (work with your physician to determine this).

"The human body can actually repair itself with proper conditioning achieved through regular exercise and good nutrition" Guerra said. This is true for the muscles, joints, heart, lungs and bones.

Without exercise, negative effects occur:

- Fat displaces muscle, making it easier to gain weight and put stress on the heart, lungs, and joints.
- Muscles become smaller and weaker, making your posture worse and making you look older. Daily activities like climbing stairs, getting out of a chair or cleaning the house become more taxing.

Balance and agility decrease, increasing the possibility of slips and falls.

One key to staying independent in your senior years is to stay strong enough to care for yourself and your home. Physical activity can help in that goal. If you'd like to talk to someone about your health, call Senior Health Services at (586) 493-8500.

Fee for the class is \$35, which includes supplies.

Autumn Herbs, on Saturday, Oct. 19 from noon to 2 p.m., offers an opportunity to learn about healthful herbs and how they are used as well as important safety issues. Herbs historically used for the immune system and home remedies for the cold season will be explored.

The cost is \$25, plus a \$10 supply fee. Reiki Level I, on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., teaches an ancient Japanese "hands on healing" method. Students will be attuned to this Universal Life Energy, learning the history of Reiki (ray-kee), the basic hand positions and ways to use this energy in their own lives and in service to others.

Students are invited to return to practice these techniques at the monthly "Intro to Energy Evening" offered to the community the fourth Monday of every month. Cost for the all-day program is \$125.

The fee is \$25.

Class sizes are limited. For more information or to register, call (313) 647-3320, Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The Healing Arts Center is located on the third floor of the Van Elslander Cancer Center, behind St. John Hospital at 19229 Mack and Moross, east of I-94. It provides an environment where all people, not only those touched by cancer, may enhance their quality of life through programs that complement medical care and focus on the mind, body and spirit.

The Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center is a member of St. John Health, a network of community-based hospitals and health care services in Southeast Michigan.

St. John offers free seminars on hip and knee pain

Learn about the causes of arthritis hip and knee pain and morning stiffness at free monthly seminars sponsored by the Hip and Knee Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Detroit.

parking is free for seminar attendees.

"These seminars will provide information about the latest nonsurgical treatments, new arthritis medicines and advance physical therapy. If necessary, we can make referrals to physicians specializing in orthopedics," said Heidi Kalinowski, program director for the St. John Hip and Knee Center.

The Hip and Knee Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center is a member of the JointCare Centers of America — a nationwide network comprised of hospitals and orthopedic surgeons who are dedicated to excellence in the delivery of total joint replacement and related care.

Seminars are held monthly from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Medical Education Building located near the hospital's rear entrance. Seminar dates are Oct. 16, Nov. 20 and Dec. 18. To register, call the St. John HealthLine at (888) 751-5465.

"The St. John Hip and Knee Center follows a model that emphasizes high patient satisfaction in terms of quality care and customer service.

The hospital is located on Moross near Mack. Self-

"We are proud to be the only hospital in the metro Detroit area to be members of this network," Kalinowski said.

For more information about the Hip and Knee Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, call Kalinowski at (313) 343-7785 or visit us on the Internet at www.stjohn.org.

SOC Options

Chiropractic may help seniors stay healthy

By Sharon Maier
SOC Executive Director
Getting older doesn't mean you have to "feel" old — or act it. You probably know people in their 60s, 70s and beyond with the energy, enthusiasm, activity and zest for life of people half their age. If that's your goal too, chiropractic can be just what the doctor ordered: wellness care rather than the treatment of pain, disease and symptoms.



Sharon Maier

Chiropractic helps you maintain your good health over the entire course of your life — including your golden years.

A recent study found that older people who use chiropractic care report better overall health, fewer symptomatic chronic conditions, shorter stays in hospitals and nursing homes, and more mobility than seniors who were not using chiropractic care. This three-year study, headed by Ian Coulter, Ph.D., of the Rand Corporation Research Institute, also showed that older people who use chiropractic on a regular, periodic basis were less likely to use prescription drugs and more likely to exercise regularly and participate in community activities.

For more than a century, Doctors of Chiropractic (D.C.s) have been devoted to "whole-body" natural healthcare that does not rely on costly surgery and hospitalization or medications.

Most of all, chiropractors are trained in maintaining wellness through gentle, safe and effective techniques and counseling that can help you stay vibrant and active no matter what your age. Chiropractic is as committed to helping older people look and feel years younger as it is to hands-on natural healing.

Chiropractic is based upon the scientific fact that your nerve system communicates with and controls the function of virtually every cell, organ and system in your body. Chiropractic gets results by opening and keeping open these lines of communication by safely and specifically adjusting the vertebrae of the spine.

The goal of chiropractic care is to relieve pressure on your nervous and musculoskeletal system so the nerves and muscles can resume their normal function. This is achieved by adjusting your bones and returning them to their proper positions.

Though associated with relief of back pain, chiropractic was originally intended to promote overall health, and still can offer effective relief for many different illnesses.

You may be surprised to learn that one in five adults, ages 55-64, has visited a chiropractor. It's estimated that people over 65 make up nearly one-fifth of a chiropractor's practice. While a number of people visit their chiropractor for back pain or headache, many patients report improvement with symptoms of arthritis or other chronic ailments associated with aging.

Chiropractors are trained to recognize that older people have special needs. Your chiropractor understands care and management goals must be tailored to each unique health situation and lifestyle. Chiropractic can help to restore and maintain joint, muscle, nerve and soft tissue health.

This is important as you get older because it keeps you fit and flexible, feeling good and able to enjoy many types of physical activity. Your chiropractor's involvement in your total wellness goes far beyond spinal adjustments. He or she can:

- Counsel you on how to employ flexibility and weight-bearing exercise for better health
- Offer guidance on diet, nutrition and supplements
- Advise you about controlling weight and maintaining healthy blood pressure and cholesterol levels

In addition, chiropractic adjustments can safely and effectively address a wide range of problems older people typically encounter. Should the diagnosis determine that the patient's condition would respond better to treatment with another healthcare discipline, a referral is made.

More and more men and women rely on chiropractors to help remove some of the underlying spinal, skeletal and muscular causes of the distress and debilitation that plague older individuals. Chiropractors have the unique skills to help reduce pain and infirmity, provide greater mobility, robust health and a positive outlook for enjoying life to its fullest.

If you would like to learn more about what chiropractic care can do for senior citizens, attend the free Chiropractic Care and Seniors lecture presented by Dr. Lisa Price at Services for Older Citizens (SOC), 17150 Waterloo, on Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 11:30 a.m.

The lecture is part of SOC's food and friendship program which offers lunch five days a week for \$1, exercise five times a week, weekly trips and free lectures of special interest to seniors every Wednesday.

Musical evening slated at War Memorial

The Presbyterian Women of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church will sponsor an "Evening with Linda McKechnie," on Friday, Nov. 1 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore.



McKechnie

McKechnie will offer traditional Christian hymns blended with powerful themes of master composers such as Bach, Beethoven and Mozart. McKechnie earned a bachelor's degree in sacred music from Nyack College and has served in Presbyterian churches in New York, Oklahoma and Texas as organist and director of adult and children singing and ringing choirs.

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a strolling dinner, followed by the concert. Dessert and conversation with McKechnie follow the performance. Tickets are \$75 and may be purchased by calling (313) 886-4829 or (313) 882-8461.

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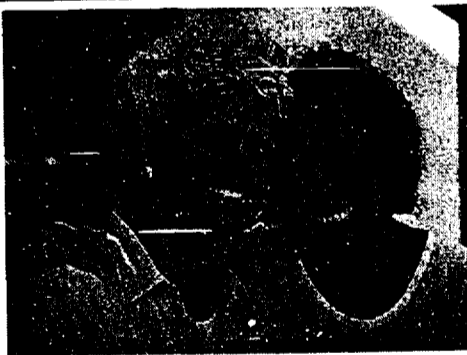
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For more than a century, Doctors of Chiropractic (D.C.s) have been devoted to "whole-body" natural healthcare that does not rely on costly surgery and hospitalization or medications. Most of all, chiropractors are trained in maintaining wellness through gentle, safe and effective techniques and counseling that can help you stay vibrant and active no matter what your age. Chiropractic is as committed to helping older people look and feel years younger as it is to hands-on natural healing. Chiropractic is based upon the scientific fact that your nerve system communicates with and controls the function of virtually every cell, organ and system in your body. Chiropractic gets results by opening and keeping open these lines of communication by safely and specifically adjusting the vertebrae of the spine. The goal of chiropractic care is to relieve pressure on your nervous and musculoskeletal system so the nerves and muscles can resume their normal function. This is achieved by adjusting your bones and returning them to their proper positions.

Though associated with relief of back pain, chiropractic was originally intended to promote overall health, and still can offer effective relief for many different illnesses. You may be surprised to learn that one in five adults, ages 55-64, has visited a chiropractor. It's estimated that people over 65 make up nearly one-fifth of a chiropractor's practice. While a number of people visit their chiropractor for back pain or headache, many patients report improvement with symptoms of arthritis or other chronic ailments associated with aging. Chiropractors are trained to recognize that older people have special needs. Your chiropractor understands care and management goals must be tailored to each unique health situation and lifestyle. Chiropractic can help to restore and maintain joint, muscle, nerve and soft tissue health. This is important as you get older because it keeps you fit and flexible, feeling good and able to enjoy many types of physical activity. Your chiropractor's involvement in your total wellness goes far beyond spinal adjustments. He or she can: Counsel you on how to employ flexibility and weight-bearing exercise for better health Offer guidance on diet, nutrition and supplements Advise you about controlling weight and maintaining healthy blood pressure and cholesterol levels In addition, chiropractic adjustments can safely and effectively address a wide range of problems older people typically encounter. Should the diagnosis determine that the patient's condition would respond better to treatment with another healthcare discipline, a referral is made. More and more men and women rely on chiropractors to help remove some of the underlying spinal, skeletal and muscular causes of the distress and debilitation that plague older individuals. Chiropractors have the unique skills to help reduce pain and infirmity, provide greater mobility, robust health and a positive outlook for enjoying life to its fullest. If you would like to learn more about what chiropractic care can do for senior citizens, attend the free Chiropractic Care and Seniors lecture presented by Dr. Lisa Price at Services for Older Citizens (SOC), 17150 Waterloo, on Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 11:30 a.m. The lecture is part of SOC's food and friendship program which offers lunch five days a week for \$1, exercise five times a week, weekly trips and free lectures of special interest to seniors every Wednesday.

Deadline for features section is 3 p.m. Friday

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*A minute to examine your body
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So you'll have time to care for the rest*

*Cancer in your breast is scary
But how much scarier it would be
To know that early detection
Would have been as easy as 1. 2. 3.*

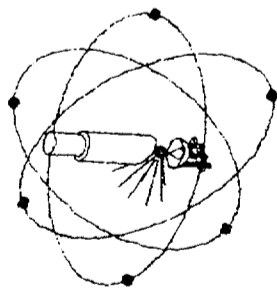
1. -An annual doctor exam
 2. -Self examine at home
 3. - Schedule a yearly mammogram
- And remember you're never alone*

*October is the Month of Awareness
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A moment you take for yourself
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Kathleen Bliss

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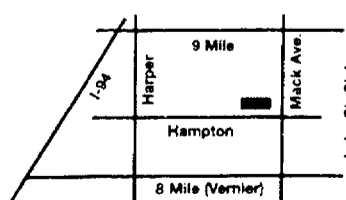


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FREE PARKING IN REAR



Hilberry opens 40th season with Simon's 'Good Doctor'

First play of season shows new talent

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

"The Good Doctor" is a perfect introduction to the Hilberry Theatre's 40th season.

The Neil Simon comedy, based on early writings of Anton Chekhov, consists of 11 stories that require an ensemble cast of broad talent and all-out energy. Each piece is about 10 minutes long.

Hilberry actors switch convincingly from character to character and mood to mood in a string of anecdotal tales ranging from absurd to poignant. There's slapstick, highbrow farce, political satire and class consciousness.

Also, in a bittersweet sketch performed in song, a lonely widower and widow finally get the nerve to arrange for a cup of tea together. At the last minute, the woman backs out, mistakenly believing her life is too late for happiness.

"There's still time to answer yes, but just not today," sings second-year actress Nikki Ferry.

Ferry is one of only three veteran actors in "Doctor's" eight-member cast. Five actors make their debut as members of Wayne State University's three-year, nationally-known graduate repertory theater program.

Aaron Moore, of Lincoln, Neb., is an entertaining newcomer. Big and boisterous, his ability to build

anger slowly in the role of a high-ranking bureaucrat sneezed upon by a pesky underling shows an ability to modulate emotions. His control should also do well in future dramatic productions.

Michael Anthony, a rookie from Connecticut, plays the sneezer. The character worries that his miscue will blow a promising career in the Ministry of Public Parks division of trees and shrubs. Will he be demoted to branches and twigs?

Lisa Betz, a first-year actress who did her undergraduate work in Wyoming, evokes good and evil in the same role.

"If you think of yourself as inferior, that's how people will treat you," her character tells a sheepish government. Betz then pretends to cheat the young government of wages due.

Although the governess finally receives her money, the lesson learned sends a hard message.

"You're much too trusting. In this world, that's very dangerous," says Betz's character.

Second-year actress Christi Marsico of Montana is hilarious as an unbridled wife determined to receive financial compensation for her husband's nervous breakdown.

Mark Robson is a medical student with the skill of a carpenter who tries to pull a tooth for Christopher

Roady, a nervous patient. Eddie Collins, in the role of narrator, plays a writer who is never satisfied with his work but thinks of his characters as friends.

"What force is it that compels me to write incessantly? I'm a writer," he said.

Collins, in his second year with the Hilberry, plays the part with a knowing insight that convinces the audience he knows more about the action on stage than he's letting on.

"Doctor" is directed by David Magidson, who teaches directing and play writing at WSU. He has also directed at the Attic Theatre and Jewish Ensemble Theatre.

In "Doctor," Magidson binds a series of snapshots into a panorama that provides insight to comedy, human relationships and new members of the Hilberry company.

The Hilberry Theatre is located on the campus of Wayne State University at the corner of Cass and Hancock in Detroit. Tickets range from \$12 to \$20. "The Good Doctor" plays until Nov. 21. Forthcoming shows in the seven-play repertory season include "King Lear," beginning Oct. 18, and "The Philadelphia Story," starting Nov. 15. For show times, tickets and more, call the box office at (313) 577-2972.

Let's do lunch

By Helen Gregory
Special Writer

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Oct. 26, so you don't miss our Book and Author Luncheon at the War Memorial, 11:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chances are you've been to our Books on the Lake gatherings in the past, when we've brought you everyone from David Halberstam and Jonathan Kozol to Frances Mayes and Charles Baxter.

This year will be different because we're having a sit-down lunch with our four authors speaking at the luncheon and signing books afterward.

We cover everything from fiction to travel to decorating to entertaining with style and grace.

A lot of you have been fans of author Nicholas Sparks ever since he appeared on the scene in 1994 with a runaway best-seller, "The Notebook." Since then, you've snapped up his books as soon as they've come out and you've never told me you were disappointed. There was "Message in a Bottle," "A Walk to Remember," "A Bend in the Road," and now, "Nights in Rodanthe."

Rick Steves, host of the PBS series "Rick Steves' Europe," and author of the "Europe Through the Back Door" series of books and videotapes (we have a lot of them), will regale you with lively and irreverent travel advice on finding the perfect little out-of-the-way places less savvy tourists miss.

He shows you how to (economically) submerge yourself in European culture, make friends with the locals and avoid hassles.

Steves isn't our only television personality and



The Book Return

author. If you move furniture for fun and change color schemes with the seasons or just daydream about doing so, you won't want to miss HGTV's Chris Casson Madden. In addition to hosting her television show, she has written many books, including the popular "A Room of Her Own: Women's Personal Spaces."

She was Oprah Winfrey's interior decorator as well as design correspondent for the show. She has decorated spaces for Toni Morrison and Katie Couric, among others.

I've enjoyed her weekly newspaper decorating advice column for years. Her books on home design are downright inspirational.

Finally, we have Letitia Baldrige, whose advice on etiquette has rivaled Emily Post and Miss Manners. Her newest book, "A Lady, First: My Life in the Kennedy White House," is a more personal follow-up to 1998's, "In the Kennedy Style: Magical Evenings in the Kennedy White House."

Here, I must take a side trip about something that puzzles me. Ms. Baldrige published 15 books on manners and entertain-

ing, worked as Social Secretary in the American Embassy in Paris, worked as special assistant to Claire Booth Luce in Rome and became the first woman executive for Tiffany & Co.

She has a B.A. from Vassar, did graduate work in psychology in Geneva and has numerous honorary degrees. Still her bio lists her prep school, Miss Porter's.

This carries the Beach Boys, "Be True To Your School" further than a plebe like me can begin to imagine. This is like Exeter and Eton — they always tell you. Is this some sort of brainwashing? No matter what you accomplish or how far you go, your prep school gets mentioned.

It's got to be good advertising.

But that's way off topic. What you need to know is that this year's program will be great and in order to cover the cost of lunch, we're asking \$16 for tickets. You can get them at your branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

A selection of the authors' books will be for sale on site before lunch from 11 a.m. until lunch at noon, followed by the presentations. The authors will be signing autographs afterward, at about 3 p.m.

For more information, visit your favorite library branch, our web site, www.gp.lib.mi.us, or phone (313) 343-2074, ext. 200.

It will be lovely. We can do lunch without taking a meeting.

You can reach Helen Gregory online at hgregory@gp.lib.mi.us or find her at the Grosse Pointe Central Library.

Decadent ingredients are chocolate, liqueur

In the dictionary, decadence is defined as a period of decline or decay. This week's recipe, Chocolate Decadence, is a flourless cake that will bring chocolate-lovers to their knees (hence, its name). This luscious dessert comes from a restaurant called Sanders 1907, located in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Chocolate Decadence

- 1 12-oz. package semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 4 1-oz. squares bitter-sweet chocolate
- 10 tablespoons unsalted butter (1 1/4 sticks)
- 2 tablespoons Grand Marnier liqueur
- 1 tablespoon cognac or brandy
- 1 tablespoon instant coffee
- 6 large eggs
- 3/4 cup sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease (butter, not spray) and flour a 9-inch spring form pan. Set aside.

Melt together the butter and both chocolates in a large, heavy saucepan over low heat. Stir until smooth. Remove from heat and whisk in the Grand Marnier, brandy (my choice) and instant coffee.



À LA ANNIE
By Annie Rouieau-Scheriff

Set aside until cool or lukewarm.

Meanwhile, using an electric mixer, beat together the eggs and the sugar in a large bowl at high speed until the mixture triples in volume — about five minutes. Fold about one-fourth of the egg mixture into the chocolate mixture and turn the chocolate mixture back into the egg mixture. Fold until the batter is consistent and smooth, but don't overdo it.

Transfer the batter to the prepared pan and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Promptly remove from oven and place pan on a cooling rack for several minutes. The cake will fall as it cools.

Carefully run a knife or a thin spatula around the cake and release the side of the pan. Slice the cake into 12 wedges and serve with homemade whipped

cream and fresh raspberries.

This delicious cake will crumble a bit around the edges and crack on the top as it falls. The center, however, will hold together with a texture and flavor that needs no frosting.

Don't leave the cake in the oven longer than 45 minutes or it will fall apart when you handle it.

Make chocolate decadence a day in advance and store it tightly covered at room temperature. This is a fairly simple recipe for a really special, decadent chocolate dessert.



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- Pictures Tell the Story: Ernest C. Withers. Reflections in History, through Sunday, Jan. 5 9:30-5 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m., Sunday. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800.
- Children's Museum Detroit Public Schools:**
- Second Saturday Family Fun Programs, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 12.
- Discover the Autumn Sky in the Planetarium Workshops, noon-2 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, for children, 6-12, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, 6134 Second, Detroit. \$3 per program. (313) 873-8100.

Detroit Historical Museum:

- Pewabic Pottery: The Legacy of Mary Chase Perry Stratton, through Sunday, Oct. 13.
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- Detroit Science Center:**
- Meet Dr. Jane Goodall at the premiere of Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees in the IMAX Dome Theatre, Saturday, Oct. 12.
- Marshall Field's Sunday Fun Day - Wild About Chimps, Sunday, Oct. 13.
- DTE Energy Sparks Theater.
- IMAX Dome Theatre.
- Digital Dome Planetarium: "Autumn Nights," 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

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- Henry Ford Museum**

and Greenfield Village:

- Simply Vaudeville Show, 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Monday-Saturday or 1 and 3 p.m., Sunday, through Sunday, Oct. 20, Anderson Theatre.
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- Lake St. Clair Symphony Orchestra Spaghetti Dinner:** 6-9 p.m., Monday, Oct. 14, Jefferson Yacht Club, 24504 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. \$9, adults or \$4, children.

Concerts

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Young People's Concert Series: "Characters of Note," 10 and 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 12, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$10-\$26. (313) 576-5111.

Courses

Grosse Pointe War Memorial: Tea With Miss Camellia, for ages 3-5, 4-5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 24, 32 Lakeshore. \$16. Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.

Events

- **Halloween Party and Video Presentation:** 12:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 18, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack. \$7. Reservations required. (313) 886-4301.
- **Grosse Pointe War Memorial Halloween Middle School Dance:** For students in grades 6-8 with valid Grosse Pointe War Memorial identification card, 7:30-10 p.m., Friday, Oct. 25, 32 Lakeshore. Preregistration required. (313) 881-7511.
- **Little Goblins' Night Out:** For children under the age of 8, 5-7:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 27 and Monday, Oct. 28, Edsel &

Parenting

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South starts MAC White basketball season with two wins

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's basketball team nearly learned the hard way last week that you can't relax until the final buzzer.

The Blue Devils were leading East Detroit by 11 points in their Macomb Area Conference White Division opener with only a minute

Norsemen remain undefeated

Grosse Pointe North's soccer team keeps adding to its victory total.

The Norsemen picked up three wins last week, including a pair in the Macomb Area Conference White Division, to improve to 11-0-1 overall and 6-0-1 in the league.

The week began with a 1-0 win over Chippewa Valley. Besmir Bega got the game's only goal, assisted by R.J. Scherer.

Goalkeeper Anthony Diloreto recorded his fifth shutout of the season. In their other league game, the Norsemen rolled past Romeo 5-1.

Bega scored twice, while Shane Davison, Steve Bahr and Ryan Symington added a goal apiece for the Norsemen.

In between the two MAC White victories, North posted a 4-1 nonleague win over Auburn Hills Avondale.

Bega had another two-goal game, while Bryan Bennett and Symington each scored once.

and a half remaining.

Then the Shamrocks started to make things interesting, and when the game finally ended, South had escaped with a 58-57 victory.

"East Detroit shot 15 threes (three-point field goals) and made four of them — all in the last minute and a half," said South coach Peggy Van Eckoute.

"I don't think that Mike

(East Detroit coach Mike Francis) thought it was very funny, but after the game I told him, 'I'll bet you can't do that again.' On their first one, (Stacey) Pepler had a hand in the girl's face. The next day she admitted that she had kissed me. The next two went in off the backboard."

All of a sudden it was 56-54 with 15 seconds left. East Detroit fouled South's Liz Halpin and she sank both

free throws to give the Blue Devils a four-point cushion. They needed it, too, because the Shamrocks hit another triple as time expired.

"They had to foul us after their first two threes and we missed four straight free throws," Van Eckoute said. "I'm just glad Halpin hit those two or we'd have lost the game."

South led by three points at halftime and the Blue Devils took a seven-point lead into the final quarter.

Four South players scored in double figures, led by Lauren Harrington, who had 17 points, including a 9-for-9 performance from the foul line. Harrington also had six rebounds and three steals.

Halpin finished with 11 points, five assists, two steals and three rebounds. Beth Mumaw collected 11 points, four steals, three assists and four rebounds. Pepler wound up with 10 points, four rebounds, three

assists and nine steals. Colleen Buckley had an outstanding game on the boards as she pulled down 16 rebounds. Buckley also had five steals and seven points.

"She started to step up in the Detroit game, to get a goal and she's been playing well ever since," Van Eckoute said. "We need her with (Liz) Ridgway out."

Ridgway had tendinitis in her ankle and will miss at least a couple of weeks.

There was no suspense in South's next game as the Blue Devils overpowered Romeo 59-9 in the MAC White.

"We called our press in the first half and we went to a zone for the entire second half," Van Eckoute said. "We haven't played a zone since we experimented with one against (Grosse Pointe) North early last season."

South led 38-4 at halftime and continued to dominate the second half even though everyone on the Blue Devils squad got a chance to play significant minutes.

Buckley led South with 11 points and seven rebounds. Meredith Whains had a solid performance with eight points, six steals, four rebounds and two assists. Kate See finished with 10 points and four rebounds and Jennifer Marsh collected three assists and three steals.

"We had a bad week of practice," head coach Don Justice said. "The intensity wasn't there, and it showed by our performance on the field."

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Cranbrook hands LE teams big losses

By Bob St. John
Staff writer

Lutheran East's girls basketball team began conference play last week, losing to favorite Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and Lutheran Westland.

Head coach Jason Wilson wasn't happy after his Eagles lost by 30 points at Cranbrook.

His Eagles played a solid first quarter against visiting Lutheran Westland, but it went downhill from there in a 37-26 defeat.

East scored only 14 points after three quarters, but defensively it gave up only 20 during the same time frame.

The Warriors scored each of their eight fourth-quarter baskets on pull-up jumpers, and they added a free throw.

The Eagles were led by junior Ashley Schult and sophomore Kyera James with six points apiece.

Sophomore Shana Pritchett scored five points, while senior Kristin Altenburg had four.

The Lutheran East basketball team fell to 0-2 in the Metro Conference and 4-5 overall.

Coming up for the Eagles is an away game on Tuesday, Oct. 15, against Hamtramck, and a home game on Thursday, Oct. 17, against Lutheran Northwest.

Football

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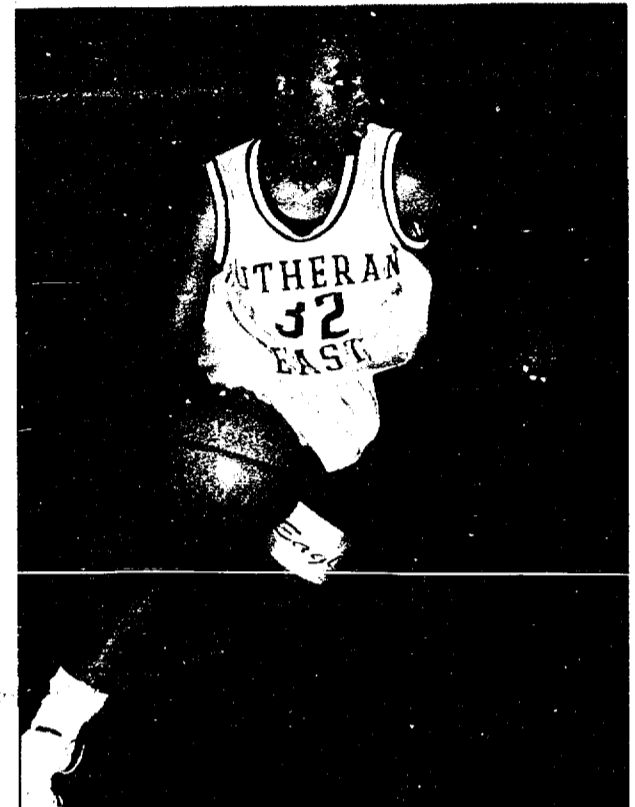


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Lutheran East sophomore Shana Pritchett, above, looks for a teammate during the first half of the Eagles' game against Lutheran Westland.

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Grosse Pointe North's girls cross country team took first place at last weekend's Ypsilanti Invitational. In front are Patricia Winterfield, left, and Allison Mikula. In back, from left, are Katie Uppleger, Kelly Szymborski, Laura Fisher, Meghan Seago and Lauren Leto. Fisher was first overall in the race.

Early lead helps South win

Sometimes a cross country race is won in the early going.

That was the case with Grosse Pointe South's girls team last weekend at the Saginaw Heritage Invitational.

The Blue Devils established an early lead in the 3.1-mile race and never let it go en route to a convincing first-place finish in the 12-team meet.

South had 24 points to 65 for runner-up Mount Pleasant. Bay City Western and Sterling Heights grabbed the next two places.

South's top six runners all ran 20:30 or faster. They were led by the second-place finisher of Jessica Palfy, who broke the 20-minute mark for the second time this season with a 19:46.

South's first five runners

placed in the top 10 in the field of 72.

Liz Petit was third overall in 20:05. Liz Baxter was fourth (20:06); Megan Zaranek, seventh (20:17); and Hilary Zaranek, 10th (20:30).

Natalie Humphry finished 18th in 20:52 and Kat Carmody completed the course in 21:59 for 38th place.

The Blue Devils had 33 season-best times and continued their season-long dominance of the junior varsity races by taking the first seven positions and 25 of the top 30 spots in the 100-runner field.

South was led by Jenny Gerow, who finished first overall in 21:01. Following right behind was her sister, Katie Gerow. Laura Lovasco, Iris Alao, Brittany

Gilpin, Olga Filappova and Sara Petit. Sandy Chu and Lauren McLaughlin also placed in the top 10. Gilpin and Filappova ran their best times of the season.

Also racing to their fastest times this year were Alexis Miller, Robin Callas, Tereza Schiabe, Julie Howe, Missy Shook, Carlin Hauck, Ruth Murawski, Michelle O'Donoghue and Kara Steeland.

Others with personal best times, included Sarah Forni, Elena Satut, Christina Jacovides, Emily Shook, Laura Lepczyk, Eileen Fitzgerald, Rachel Carion, Amy Carion, Sam Lamberti, Emily Davis, Jean Marie Beaupre, Erica Taub, Natalie Novak, Megan Hoban, Jane Singelyn and Rachel Visger.



Jessica Palfy, left, and Liz Petit helped lead Grosse Pointe South's girls cross country team to a first-place finish at last weekend's Saginaw Heritage Invitational. Palfy and Petit placed second and third, respectively, in the 72-runner field.

North girls are first at Ypsilanti

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Scott Cooper didn't know what would happen when his Grosse Pointe North girls cross country team disappeared into the woods for the second mile of the Ypsilanti Invitational last weekend.

But when they emerged, he got a pleasant surprise.

"We weren't winning at the mile when they went into the woods, but when I saw them next, I could tell that we were ahead," Cooper said.

The Norsemen maintained that lead and finished with 40 points to 48 for runner-up Saline.

A year ago, North was third in the meet as Saline nosed out the Norsemen by a point for the runner-up spot.

"I was really pleased with the meet," Cooper said. "It's not usually a fast course but we had 36 girls get PRs (personal records)."

North's Laura Fisher was first overall in 20:05 and was 20 seconds ahead of the second-place runner.

"It's good to see her up there again," Cooper said of Fisher, who has been plagued by illness and

injury during much of her career at North. "I could tell at the mile that she was starting to take charge of the race."

Fisher was followed by teammates Kelly Szymborski, Patricia Winterfield, Lauren Leto and Allison Mikula. North's sixth runner, freshman Katie Uppleger, also earned a medal.

The Norsemen also did well in the junior varsity race. Katie Horne was the overall winner, while Jillian Kronner and Melissa Ciaravino also earned medals.

North had five runners who posted better times than their best efforts of last season.

One of them was Karen Koski, who moved into the Norsemen's top 12.

"She was so happy to get there for the first time," Cooper said.

Before the race, Cooper had a talk with Kristina Seago.

"I told her she was capable of running in the 27s, so what does she do? She broke 27 minutes — and she had been running in the 32s all season," Cooper said.

Others who improved on

their best times of a year ago were Katie Rabidoux, Francine Vandenberg and Nicole Vitale.

The strong showing at Ypsilanti helped erase some of the disappointment from earlier in the week when North dropped a 27-28 decision to Sterling Heights in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet. The Norsemen beat Eisenhower 25-32 in the other half of the double dual.

"We should have won both," Cooper said. "But we ran flat. We just weren't there mentally. For the first time that I can remember, we didn't have any PRs."

The one bright spot for North was Fisher, who was first overall.

"Laura ran a great race," Cooper said. "She was only 15 seconds off her best time. Almost everybody else was two or three minutes off. Eisenhower's best runner has done 18:50 and she ran in the 22s."

Rounding out North's top five were Szymborski, Leto, Winterfield and Mikula.

The split in the double dual left North with a 3-2 record in the MAC Red.

Good effort not enough for ULS

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Sometimes a good effort isn't quite enough.

Liggett School's football team played well last weekend but the Knights lost 14-7 to Lutheran North in a Metro Conference game.

"Overall, it was a good game," said coach Tracy Sewell. "We just came up a little bit short. We made some good plays but we couldn't make the next big play to get over the hump."

The loss left ULS with a 3-3 overall record and 3-2 mark in the Metro. The Knights have to win their last three games against Cranbrook, Kingswood, Clarenceville and Harper Woods to be assured of a berth in the state playoffs.

"All the games we've lost have been close," Sewell said. "One or two mistakes have been the difference in

each of the losses. But we'll be fine. Now every game is a playoff game for us."

The stretch drive starts with a game Saturday at 1 p.m. at Cranbrook.

Lutheran North opened the scoring with a little more than a minute remaining in the first quarter on a 20-yard run by Mark Dzieszowski.

On the first play from scrimmage after the kickoff, ULS' Leythyn Williams went 75 yards for a touchdown and Kevin Heaney kicked the extra point to put the Knights ahead 7-6.

That's the way it stayed until there was 1:15 left in the first half when the Mustangs' Tom Doerflinger hit Jason Hanlon with a 21-yard scoring strike. Doerflinger then passed to Lance Weber for the two-point conversion.

There was no scoring in the second half, although

ULS moved the ball well at times. A costly fumble with 3:22 left in the game ended the Knights' final threat.

"We haven't had many turnovers, but they tend to come at the worst times," Sewell said.

ULS got another fine performance from cornerbacks Jonathon Wright and Barre Mackie.

"They've turned out to be one of the best pair of corners in the league," Sewell said. "Their one-on-one coverage has been incredible."

Curtis Lowe led the Knights with 11 tackles and Williams finished with 10.

Williams was the leading rusher with 113 yards in 13 carries and Mike Benson picked up 36 yards in seven attempts.

"Joey Cobb did a great job of blocking on the sweep," Sewell said. "His blocks allowed us to turn the corner."

Anchor Bay runs past Norsemen

Anchor Bay's running game was the difference as the Tars blanked Grosse Pointe North 30-0 in a Macomb Area Conference White Division football game.

Jamar Jackson did most of the damage against the Norsemen, who slipped to 2-4 overall. Jackson ran for 178 yards and two touchdowns.

Tom Rowley also scored a pair of rushing touchdowns as Anchor Bay finished with 401 yards on the ground.

Anchor Bay improved to 2-2 in the league and 3-3 overall.

North, which is 1-4 in the MAC White, hosts Fraser on Friday in its final division game.

Others who ran well for South were Will Chu, Ryan Zuidema, Brian Ginnebaugh, Mike Liang and freshman Andrew Davenport.

Sean O'Donnell-Daudlin finished fourth overall in the junior varsity race.

South runner emerges from shadow

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Andy Visger has emerged from Pat Dantzer's shadow to become one of the brightest spots in Grosse Pointe South's boys cross country season.


"Andy is having a great season," said coach Tom Wise after Visger's eighth-place finish helped the Blue Devils finish seventh in last week's Saginaw Heritage Invitational.

"He was quietly putting

together a great track season in the mile and two mile in Pat's shadow, so I knew that he was going to have a fine cross country season. He has also taken a great leadership role on our team."

Visger has medaled in each of the Blue Devils' invitational meets so far this season and with Dantzer's graduation has been South's No. 1 runner all year.

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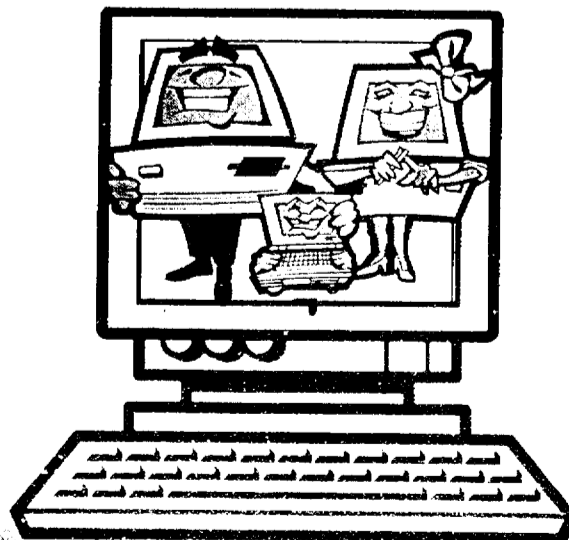
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