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■ The Grosse Pointe Redbirds 16-year-old baseball team won the American Amateur Baseball Congress District tournament in Grand Rapids with a 14-4 win over the host Grand Rapids A's. The Redbirds are playing this week in the AABC Regional tournament in Coldwater. Page 1C

WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, July 29

The sixth annual Michigan High School Baseball Showcase is today and Friday at the baseball fields of Kerby Elementary School and Grosse Pointe North High School. The Showcase is sponsored by Grosse Pointe Baseball. It provides an opportunity for 150 Michigan varsity high school players to demonstrate their skills for Midwest college coaches and pro scouts. Games are at noon, 2:30 and 5 p.m. today; at 9 and 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Friday. No admission charge.

Friday, July 30

The Grosse Pointe Village Association's 27th annual Sidewalk Sale is today and tomorrow. Kercheval, between Cadieux and Neff, is closed to car traffic from 2 to 9 p.m. Friday, and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, as merchants offer their best bargains. Children's activities, music, prizes and food will also be featured.

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church's annual GreekFest is today through Sunday, Aug. 1. Live entertainment, a fashion show, Greek food, raffles, an open-air market, children's games, a Fun Run and lots more are planned. Admission is \$2. Proceeds go to the church's fire restoration fund.

Monday, Aug. 2

The Detroit Historical Society conducts a tour of Detroit's oldest churches. Tour times are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Price is \$30 for DHS members; \$35 for non-members and includes bus, guided tour and lunch. Call (313) 833-4727.

Tuesday, Aug. 3

Primary election. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. Don't forget to vote.

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Grosse Pointe Shores officers Ronald Coste and David Kwiatkowski, above, train by dousing a burning pickup truck with a mixture of foam and water. Below, officers Steven Murphy and Jason Reingert use the Jaws of Life to rip off the door of a damaged vehicle.

Shores officers practice saving lives

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

An elderly woman last spring drove off Mack and crashed her car on the median. She couldn't get out. The driver-side door was crinkled and jammed shut.

Although she appeared only slightly injured, Grosse Pointe Woods medics played it safe. They felt it too risky to pull her across the driver seat and out the passenger side door, which also was closest to traffic passing along the four-lane divided street.

Time for the Jaws of Life. The tool has a spreading power of 18,000 pounds per square inch and could

safely rip the woman's door off in seconds.

The Woods has a Jaws of Life, but the officers on duty that day didn't know how to use it.

"Not all our guys have been trained on it," said Mike Makowski, Woods public safety director. "We've

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Village sidewalk sale this Friday, Saturday

Great Bargains! Entertainment! Food, refreshments and special events!

You can get it all at the 27th annual Village Sidewalk Sale and Street Festival that takes place on Friday, July 30, and Saturday, July 31.

Times are from 2 to 9 p.m. Friday and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

The sale takes place in the entire three-block shopping district along Kercheval between Cadieux and Neff in the Village, downtown City of Grosse Pointe.

Shoppers will find some of the lowest prices of the year on both days from Village merchants.

While at the sale, catch the award-winning Baldock Mountain Ramblers on Friday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., on Kercheval near Cadieux.

Servies for Older Citizens presents Dancing in the Streets with DJ Bob Gray on Friday, from 6 to 9 p.m. on

the Festival Plaza, Kercheval at St. Clair.

There's face-painting and balloons for the kids on Friday night from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 3 p.m.

Meet with representatives of the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society at Kercheval and Notre Dame on Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Weather permitting, they will have dogs and puppies available for adoption on Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. Food and refreshments will be provided on both days by the Village Grille, Kercheval near Notre Dame, and National Coney Island.

The event is produced by the Grosse Pointe Village Association, representing the shops and businesses along Kercheval Avenue in Downtown Grosse Pointe. Rain date is Saturday, Aug. 7.

Suburban water study to start soon

1/3 Detroit water customers join in
 By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

Almost 3/4 million people have tapped into the idea of building a suburban water system.

"In my wildest dreams I never thought it would take off this well. Everybody's jumped on board," said Dr. Brian Hunt, a Grosse Pointe Shores trustee.

Hunt broached the idea a few months ago with St. Clair Shores Mayor Curt Dumas.

Now, 23 southeast Michigan suburbs have joined a water systems review committee. Members representing 731,669 residents will fund a feasibility study to gauge the benefits of breaking ties with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department.

Due to heavy participation by cities in Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties, the study will cost only 25 cents per capita. The Shores' share is \$1,179.64.

Detroit processes and sells drinking water to 125 communities spread over more than 1,000 square miles. Suburban officials want to know if building a separate water filtration plant would provide long-term cost advantages and greater control over operations.

Detroit's recent history of double-digit water price increases has many suburban customers seeking alternatives.

The Shores recently won a multi-year fight with Detroit about overcharging.

"There are issues with Detroit Water and Sewage," Hunt said.

With commitments from large cities such as Warren and Pontiac, backers of the

feasibility study represent about 20 percent of Detroit's 4.2 million drinking water customers.

"The list has grown exponentially from what we expected," Hunt said.

"It's an important issue that concerns everyone, not only Grosse Pointe Shores," said Dr. James Cooper, Shores president.

There are no plans to withdraw from Detroit's waste water treatment service.

Three phase study

The engineering firm of O'Brien and Gere, headquartered in Syracuse, N.Y., with offices in Farmington Hills (not a study participant), has been chosen from a field of five bidders to conduct the study.

The firm recently completed similar work on behalf of 16 water utilities serving 700,000 residents of central Kentucky.

The forthcoming analysis in southeast Michigan will involve three phases starting in August.

"The whole thing is to be completed in approximately nine months," said Roy Rose of Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, consulting engineers for the water systems review committee.

"During phase one, (O'Brien representatives) will meet with various agencies and existing treatment plants to see if there's a possibility of buying water from them if they have extra capacity," Rose said.

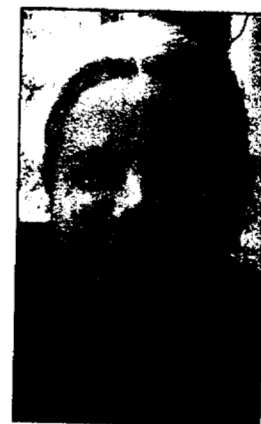
Phase two refines and evaluates technical alternatives, with more analysis of the cost to locate, build,

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POINTER OF INTEREST

Robin Heller

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
 Age: 49
 Family: Husband, Bill; daughter, Lizzie, 12; and son, Bill, 13
 Occupation: Director of LocalMotion, a non-profit promoting better health through fewer environmental toxins
 Quote: "One of the things I believe is you can learn from everyone, no matter whom you are speaking with. Everyone has something you can glean."
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Robin Heller

50 years ago this week



Youth Council holding dance at Memorial Center

The Youth Council of the War Memorial is presenting a Midsummer Prom July 30. Both high school and college students are invited. Tickets cost \$1.50. Shown checking plans are, from left, students Jim Norris, Marcia Mower, Chuck Norris, Mary Wardle and Phil Warren. (Photo by Santee Studio. From the July 29, 1954 Grosse Pointe News.)

yesterday's headlines

50 years ago this week

Since changing the lawn watering ordinance from odd-even day sprinkling to nighttime watering, water pressure during the day in Grosse Pointe Farms and City is at its highest.

Water pressure is lowest between 10 p.m. and midnight, when it appears everyone is out watering lawns.

The Grosse Pointe Farms fire department needs 100 volunteers for its Civil Defense program.

Chief William Newport is pessimistic about meeting the goal because he can't accept applications from men subject to military draft.

"Men past the draft age usually have other business and community commitments; so they don't have time to devote to Civil Defense," Newport says.

Members of the Grosse Pointe Woods city council come out strongly for im-

mediate action to remedy the sewage and storm water disposal problem. No action is taken on the problem.

25 years ago this week

A temporary barricade is erected at the western end of Roslyn road after nearly 50 residents demand such action during a meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods city council.

Citizens, impatient with what they feel is inaction on the council's part, eye several past and present traffic studies and conclude a problem with heavy volume clearly exists.

Many regular shoppers on the Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms are in a fury over rumors that Salem Square Market will be replaced by a discount drug store.

If a drug store should move into the market building, it will be guaranteed competition from two other small pharmacies in the two-block long shopping district, Kent Drugs and Trail Apothecary.

The topic of carpeting the foyer and council chambers at Grosse Pointe Woods city hall carries over into a second consecutive city council meeting.

The council unanimously approves spending \$488 for carpeting in the 98-seat council room. Another \$459 is approved for carpeting the lobby.

Discussion of bids to remove and replace the seating consumes most of the council's attention. Although two bids are received to do the work for either \$392 or \$600, the job goes to a city administrative aide who will moonlight for \$200.

10 years ago this week

The Grosse Pointe Public Library, which became a separate entity July 1 governed by a board of trustees and funded through a voter-backed millage, will not ask taxpayers to approve a 4-mill levy, although the state has made available such an opportunity.

A new state law signed by Gov. John Engler allows

newly-formed district libraries to seek up to 4 mills for operating revenue.

The Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores 13-year-old Babe Ruth baseball team wins the state championship at Kerby Field in the Farms.

The squad plays next week in the Ohio Valley regional.

Host team Grosse Pointe Farms-City-Park finishes the state tournament in second place.

Jennifer Bordato, a Mason Elementary School student, wins second-place in Wayne County's "Say No to Drugs and Gangs" essay and poster contest.

During an awards ceremony at the City-County Building in downtown Detroit, Bordato meets Wayne County Commissioner Andrew Richner of Grosse Pointe Park, and Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano.

5 years ago this week

As with many school districts nationwide, the Grosse Pointe Public School System, local private and parochial schools are in a crunch to find qualified applicants to fill teaching positions, especially in specialty areas.

Alger Sheldon Jr. donates a three-tiered, 800-pound bronze fountain for the courtyard of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Alger's father was founding member of the war memorial, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

In the vernacular of long-distance runners, the Grosse Pointe triathlon has hit the wall.

Due mainly to the City's inability to obtain insurance coverage for the first-ever event's half-mile swim in Lake St. Clair, the Aug. 22 race is canceled.

City Councilman Patrick Patz lost 15 pounds training for the three-part race that combined swimming in shallow waters off Neff Park, a 12 1/2-mile bicycle race along Lakeshore into the Farms, and a 3.1-mile run onto Windmill Pointe Drive in the Park.

— Brad Lindberg

Shores Sharks nip at competition

Lifeguards aim for 4th Top Guard win

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

The Sharks swim team of Grosse Pointe Shores finished the season 2-3.

"We were competitive in every meet and had a really nice season," said Jim Cooke, director of parks and harbor.

The team qualified 48 swimmers for the year-end meet last week at the Park.

Lifeguards at Osirus Park have been training for this

week's Top Guard contest at Neff Park in the City. Competition is scheduled after the Grosse Pointe News deadline.

"We'll be going for our unprecedented fourth straight win," Cooke said.

In other Shark news, the team's all-night camp out last week attracted a "great turnout," Cooke said. "We got lucky with the weather and had a nice night."

Swimmers enjoyed such activities as watching a movie and a pancake break-

fast. "Everybody had a great time," Cooke said.

The same went for the community splash party, Sunday, July 11.

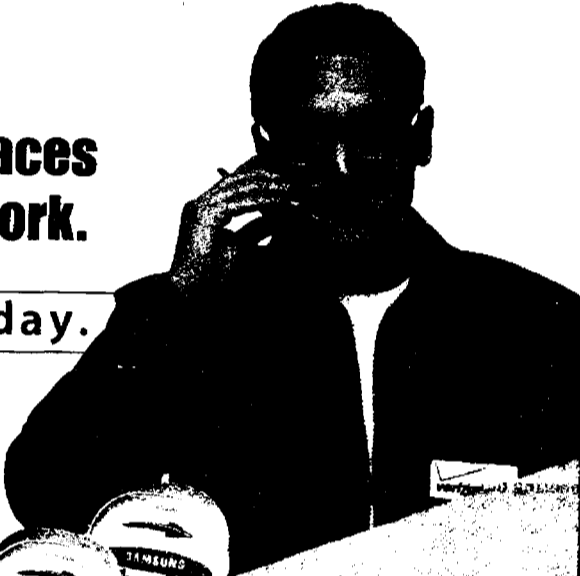
Cooke called it a "huge success. We had a wonderful turnout on a great summer day at the park. A lot of families. We had a large involvement in parent-child activities. The fireworks went well."

As for marina maintenance, Cooke said the harbor was recently treated for weeds to keep it as clean as possible.

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September possible start of Farms building

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

If dollar figures make sense, construction of a new community building at Pier Park could start in September.

Christopher Blake, whose design won over a Grosse Pointe Farms advisory committee last week, has received city council endorsement to provide more detailed plans and cost figures.

"We can finalize everything by the end of August," said Blake, a Farms resident and president of the

hometown Blake Co.

Blake said he could begin work on the 7,500-square-foot facility mid-September. He pegged a completion date of May 16, 2005.

Shane Reeside, city manager, projected the building's total construction cost at \$2 million to \$2.25 million. Add another \$250,000 for outfitting and furnishings. Funding will come from bonds and donations.

"This building will not increase taxes to taxpayers," said Councilman Terry Davis, chairman of the finance committee.

Reeside said a \$2.5 million bond paid back with interest over 20 years would cost \$194,000 annually. He said \$200,000 was included as a line item in the Farms' 2004-05 budget for such funding.

Sheldon Wardwell, chairman of the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation, a private fundraising group, said members already have raised \$250,000.

"We see this as a key part of Pier Park," Wardwell said. He promised a "full-court press to solicit donations and help any way we

can."

The multi-room building will have a 30-by-22-foot general purpose room. Ancillary rooms are included to accommodate at least three separate simultaneous functions, park offices, a kitchen and storage.

Activities projected for a new facility include instructional programs offered through the recreation department, arts and crafts classes, childrens activities and social events such as a couple who renewed their marriage vows last Friday evening.

Farms officials have characterized Pier Park's current one-room structure — sometimes referred to as a boat house due to being located next to the marina — as a bottleneck in the city's recreation pipeline.

"The building we have now needs major renovation to be usable in nice fashion," said Mayor James Farquhar. "The acoustics are terrible. Windows aren't right. Ventilation's terrible. A new facility will give us a chance to accommodate several groups at one time. Currently, we have to turn

people away because the room is rented out."

He called Blake's design "quite an enhancement to our park."

Blake's drawings show a facade of granite, brick, vinyl shakes, picture windows, window bays and simulated wood trim. Dormers of varying size present a "wandering, classic New England look," Blake said.

Blake said he designed the building to "maximize views of the lake." Eight-foot tall French doors and an

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Woods council takes action on rental ordinance

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

Thirty-six hours wasn't enough time to draft a proposed rental ordinance for a first reading, but it did merit a three-hour, 45-minute discussion at a special city council meeting in Grosse Pointe Woods.

City attorneys Don and Chip Berschback presented a draft of a proposed ordinance just a half hour before a special meeting held on Wednesday, July 21.

The special meeting was called for by council members Patricia Kukula Chylinski and Lisa Pinkos Howle, who claimed the council was not being responsive to a homeowners' association. The residents, who include former state Sen. John Kelly, have approached the council on four separate occasions since April to consider

tighter controls placed on landlords and tenants based on concerns of one rental property in their neighborhood.

Kelly said he has repeatedly called the city and police regarding problems with a rental home in his neighborhood. He said the city has failed to remedy the situation other than to say "there's nothing we can do."

"There is no other agenda here," Kelly said, "other than to make the city do what it is supposed to do."

He said landlords blame tenants and no one is responsible.

The Berschbacks' draft calls for the owners and tenants of rental properties to register with the building department, inspection of rental properties to be conducted every two years, the issuance of a certificate of approval, and provisions to

establish resident agents for property owners who live 60 or more miles outside of the city.

Don Berschback warned the council, administrators and about 30 residents in attendance that the draft was far from being considered ready for a first reading.

"Every effort by our office has been put forth in fashioning an ordinance given the time restraints imposed by the council," he said. "Given the time constraints, the time did not permit a study of written comparable rental ordinances in other cities, complete data sheets of residency, comparison of property management codes for comparable cities, a review of existing ordinances that may be in conflict with the proposed ordinance, and a full review of constitutional issues that

may be involved, including an analysis of the Fair Housing Act."

The Berschbacks' draft also differs greatly from a proposed ordinance drafted by Sen. Kelly, which calls for mediation between residents and landlords and/or tenants on complaints.

Kelly also met with Chip Berschback on Friday, July 23.

"It went very well," Chip Berschback said. "We addressed his concerns regarding mediation and the ability of residents to bring separate nuisance suits. We'll talk more again the middle of next week."

Kelly told the Grosse Pointe News that he is disappointed with the Berschbacks' rental ordinance in that fines for non-compliance are only \$500. Whereas his ordinance called for a \$100-a-day fine

until compliance is met.

"If a landlord is getting \$2,000 a month, \$24,000 a year," Kelly asked, "what is \$500?"

Several residents in the audience expressed disappointment that most of Kelly's proposals were not considered in the Berschbacks' draft.

"I'm very happy to see effort that's being put into drafting an ordinance," said Rob Brown, a resident. "I'm also strongly surprised that the ordinance brought forth by Mr. Kelly on July 19 was not considered. I'd like to see some teeth to this ordinance regarding standards and recommend the city council and administrator move ASAP on this issue."

In all, the Berschbacks said they received about 50 recommendations from residents who attended the July 21 meeting. However, not one suggestion was brought to them from a landlord.

Although the council did not instruct the Berschbacks to include a definition of family to be included in a proposed rental ordinance, it was something Mayor Robert Novitke lobbied for during discussion on the proposed ordinance.

"A number of residents have said, 'I have a concern of the definition of family,'" Novitke said. "We've been advised by our counsel that our definition of family is insufficient. We'd be remiss in not having this going past the planning commission."

Novitke was unsuccessful in his attempt to include a definition of family, setting parameters of who can live in a rental property in the ordinance, and having the planning commission's input on a draft ordinance.

Acting City Administrator Clifford Maison requested

he and his department heads be given at least 45 days to review and give their input on the proposed ordinance.

(Building inspector) Gene Tutag has about \$1 million worth of site plans to review; we have to deal with vacations; the city audit has to be done before Labor Day, and we have work in other departments that is equally important as this ordinance," Maison said.

Chylinski, Howle and some members of the audience felt 45 days would have been too much time in putting a proposed ordinance together.

"The reason for bringing this together so quickly is that we need to do this, or another proposed ordinance will be on the ballot, and it will pass," Howle said, referring to a threat of a referendum by Kelly and the homeowners' group. "I think what's being called a rough draft is in pretty good shape."

"The time frame we have talked about in getting a final vote on this on Aug. 16 is very doable," Chylinski said. "Given that, I move we have a first reading on Aug. 2."

Chylinski tried but failed to have a proposed rental ordinance ready for a first reading on Monday, Aug. 2. The council backed a substitute motion made by Councilwoman Vicki Granger, that a proposed ordinance be presented (for a first reading) at a Monday, Aug. 16, meeting.

"I think this is moving very quickly," Novitke said. "If someone were to ask me what would be a reasonable time frame to put together an ordinance like this, I think it would be six months."

Mysterious 'agenda' in question

By Bonnie Caprara
Staff Writer

If you can't get on the official city council agenda in Grosse Pointe Woods, make up your own.

That is what two councilwomen did on Saturday, July 17, when they called for a special meeting, and one of them created an official-looking agenda for the meeting.

Through a Freedom of Information Act request, the Grosse Pointe News obtained a letter dated Saturday, July 17, and signed by Councilwomen Patricia Kukula Chylinski and Lisa Pinkos Howle calling for a special meeting.

Under the city charter, two council members can submit such a request for a special meeting. However, the request must be submitted to the city clerk during normal business hours, not on weekends. The clerk then prepares a notice and agenda of the special meeting.

The date requested for the special meeting was Saturday, July 17. However 24 hours' prior notice of any meeting must be given. The agenda accompanying the meeting request was dated Wednesday, July 21.

There are questions among council members and city administrators about who actually authored the special meeting agenda and notice and how many notices were disseminated.

Chylinski told the Grosse Pointe News that the "draft" agenda "came off Lisa's (Howle's) computer."

Howle said the "draft" agenda was merely a "form" to give the city clerk an idea of how the agenda item should be presented. At no time was the agenda meant to be passed off as an "official" document, which only the city clerk can provide, she said.

Nevertheless, the "draft" was circulated to some council members and possibly others on that weekend of July 17-18.

On Monday, July 19, Chylinski and Howle filed a corrected request for a Wednesday, July 21, meeting to discuss a proposed rental housing ordinance.

Before filing the request,

Chylinski said she either personally visited or left phone messages for each of the council members during the weekend of July 17-18 to inform them of the meeting.

"I dropped them (the agendas) off to the people's houses personally, and I called Vicki (Granger) and Al (Dickinson) because I could not get hold of them," Chylinski said. "I gave them each a draft of the agenda so they'd know what was going to be discussed at the meeting."

Councilman Darryl Spicher said Chylinski visited him on Sunday, July 18.

"Patti (Chylinski) came by to ask me if I was going to be in town that day," Spicher said. "She gave me a copy of the request for the meeting and the agenda. She said it wasn't official until it went through the city clerk's office."

But other members of council said there was no indication the agenda, which appeared to be issued by City Clerk Louise Warnke, was a draft.

Subsequently, Warnke said in signed statement that she did not draft nor issue the notice and agenda distributed on the weekend of July 17-18.

Mayor Robert Novitke, whom Chylinski visited at about 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 17, said:

"She (Chylinski) handed me a special meeting agenda for Wednesday, July 21. It looked like your regular, normal public agenda. Then I thought something was up after she left when I saw the agenda called for a public hearing, which requires 20 days notice."

Council members Granger and Dickinson, who were out of town the weekend of July 17-18, were puzzled to find copies of an agenda rolled up on their front doors when they returned home.

"It was on my front door at 5 a.m.," Granger said. "It was a rolled up piece of paper requesting the meeting signed by Lisa and Patti. I almost threw it out. We never get a notice of a meeting in that manner. It looked pretty legitimate. It had the Open Meetings Act disclaimer and the city clerk's

name on it."

Granger said she received a phone message about the meeting but was not told she would be receiving a draft of an agenda for such a meeting.

Puzzled by the agenda, Granger said she called acting City Administrator Clifford Maison on the morning of July 19. He then asked City Clerk Warnke about the agenda.

Warnke told the Grosse Pointe News: "I first found out about it on Monday. I was not notified of such a meeting. Such notices are usually hand-delivered by our public safety department during normal business hours. I was not working on Saturday."

Dickinson said he, too, found the agenda in question rolled up on his front door the afternoon of July 19. At the same time, there was also a memo on his front door written and signed by Warnke that stated: "I hereby state the office of the City Clerk DID NOT ISSUE the above Special Meeting Notice."

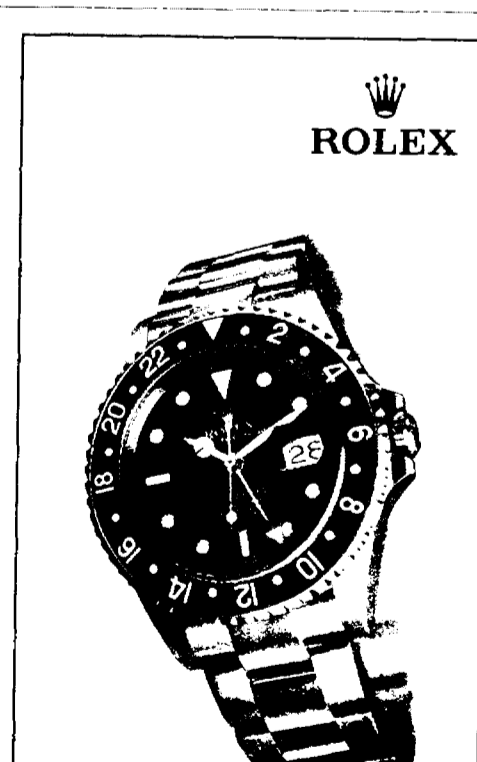
Dickinson, who was out of town for five days prior, said he did not get a phone message from Chylinski to inform him of a special meeting.

"I did not receive the message," Dickinson said. "It could have been there, but I did not receive it. My answering machine was full, and some messages were dropped."

Novitke, Granger and Dickinson all expressed concern about how far the agenda in question may or may not have been distributed.

"It's pretty appalling," Novitke said. "It's pretty scary this could be done. I don't know how far it would have been circulated."

Howle, who also requested the special meeting, said she never saw an agenda for that meeting until she received a packet from the city clerk's office the afternoon of Tuesday, July 20. Later she changed her statement to say she never saw an "official" agenda for the July 21 special meeting before Tuesday, July 20.



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Former business executive to lead LocalMotion

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Self-possessed and dazzlingly smart, Robin Heller will be employing her former experience as a business executive for General Motors in a new role: director of LocalMotion, a non-profit organization promoting awareness about the health risks of environmental toxins.

Heller, 49, grew up in what is known as the West Village, which is a portion of Detroit west of the historic Indian Village. She attended University Liggett School at its Indian Village, Briarcliff and Cook Road locations. She went on to Sweet Briar College in Virginia where she majored in mathematical physics and economics and then later earned an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan, specializing in marketing and finance.

Heller has many fond memories of sailing and making friends at the Detroit Yacht Club when she was growing up.

"The nice thing about the Yacht Club was the fact that I was able to meet people from the entire metro Detroit area. There was a lot of diversity," she said. "One of the things I believe is you can learn from everyone no matter whom you are speaking with. Everyone has something you can glean and gather."

At General Motors, Heller served in various roles directing marketing analysis and economics research. She was one of the first female executives in this area of the corporation. She says she loved GM, but after 20 years of 60-70 hour work weeks,

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she decided she wanted to spend more time volunteering for the Grosse Pointe community and being with her family. She retired from GM in 1998.

She has copious volunteer experience, a virtue she thinks will help her in bolstering awareness of LocalMotion's mission and activities. She has been a past president of the Junior League of Detroit as well as co-chair of the Designer's Show House; she co-chaired ULS's 125th anniversary weekend, and she is a board member of the Detroit Institute for Children. With her husband, Bill, she co-chairs junior sailing at the Detroit Yacht Club.

With prodding from her family, Heller decided to go back to work, and when she heard about the director's position at LocalMotion opening up from friends in an investment group, she put her name in the ring. She was hired and started her new role on June 21 of this year.

Heller was motivated to work for LocalMotion for reasons associated with her life, including the death from breast cancer of a friend as well as her own outlook about what is important in life.

In terms of her own philosophy, Heller is a firm believer in education, a chief emphasis of Local Motion.

"My parents sacrificed tremendously for me to get a good education. I appreciated it. I think it opens up a whole new world," she said.

LocalMotion has in the past used many means to educate the public about cancer risks associated with environmental toxins. They have sponsored lectures from leading environmental health experts and have an informative Web site and quarterly newsletter detailing facts about environmental dangers as it relates to health.

Heller will possibly extend the lecture series and plans to definitely continue the Web site as well as the newsletter.

As an extension of the education ethos, she wants to create a resource room in which the public could learn about environmental dangers through brochures and pamphlets. Additionally, she hopes to have an open house in the fall in which the public could learn about the organization and its mission.

The other facet of Heller's viewpoint that jibes with LocalMotion is the principle of choice. LocalMotion can present the information, but it is up to individuals and the community to decide whether they will choose to have a healthier future. She thinks there are proven reasons to choose a toxin-free environment and feels it is her job to make people aware of why this choice is so important. She hopes that possibly in a generation, worries over toxin risks will lessen, if not disappear.

Heller is currently the only staff person working for LocalMotion, and she is planning the organization



LocalMotion is a nonprofit that promotes better health through fewer environmental toxins. Long-time Pointer Robin Heller has taken the lead in running the organization.

out of the organization's Ann Arbor office. The nonprofit will move to 16824 Kercheval in the first week of August.

Heller's husband, Bill, works for Metaldyne, a successor company of the Masco Corporation. Metaldyne is a metal supplier.

She has two children Lizzie, 12, and Bill, 13, who both attend University Liggett School and participate in the junior sailing program at the Detroit Yacht Club.

Heller says her family is

very supportive of her new job, and her son in particular, is working for an environmentally healthier world. He is a vegetarian and encourages people to live responsibly.

"He'll walk into a grocery store, and when they ask, 'Paper or plastic?', he'll say, 'Do you realize that it takes years for a plastic bag to decompose compared to a couple months for a paper bag?'" Heller said.

For son Bill, his mom was a natural extension of

principles he and his family hold dear.

In a spirit that gives nonprofits a good name, Heller believes she can utilize her role at LocalMotion to make a better world for her family and the community.

"Every small thing has an impact," she said. "Hopefully, there will be a healthier life for us."

To find out more about LocalMotion, visit www.local-motion.org.

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Holderness star to begin next chapter

Marta Heinen, a new graduate of the Holderness

School in Plymouth, New Hampshire, will attend DePaul University in the fall.

In her senior year at Holderness, Heinen was named to the honor roll for two academic quarters, worked in the school's on-campus student jobs program, served as a floor leader in her dormitory and played on the Junior Varsity soccer and hockey teams as well as the Varsity tennis team. She won a No. 1 doubles championship in central New England prep school tennis and carried out a senior project that involved volunteer work at a South African HIV clinic.

Heinen is the daughter of Gerhard and Susan Heinen of Grosse Pointe Park. She is pictured above with Episcopal bishop Gene Robinson.

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First loves

When I tell people I'm the parent of two teenage boys, I've gotten consoling hugs and have often heard, "I bet you have your hands full." Actually, I'm lucky. Both boys are A-B honor roll students and have even sharper wits than grades. They're polite, courteous and often wise and mature beyond their years. I can't say their teenage years have been a challenge for me, except in one area.

What no one ever told me was to not get too attached to the girls they date and their hopes and dreams for romance.

My oldest, Chris, has always been shy around girls. Over the years, a few cute and charming females have tried to get Chris' attention. They all gave up

after Chris wouldn't take the initiative to ask them out.

"That's natural," one of Chris' older friends, Adam, reminded me. "Guys hate making the first move only to get turned down."

Then there was Jennifer. I first met Jennifer in mid-May when she came along with Chris and a few of his other friends to see our new apartment the day we got our keys. I didn't see any mutual attraction between the two at first, but I immediately liked Jennifer. She had a sense of style, substance and self-assurance that I wished I had, but never attained, when I was 15. She was the kind of girl I would have enjoyed having hang out at my house.

Over the weeks, I heard Jennifer's name pop up more often in Chris' social agenda. A few times I asked how things were going between him and Jennifer.



I Say

Bonnie Caprara

"I'm not sure," Chris said. I was.

After Chris turned 16 at the end of June and after a barrage of reassurance that Jennifer liked him, he finally asked her out. It was also the perfect opportunity to take out his new car.

Chris came home from his first date beaming. He told me they strolled the streets of downtown Mount Clemens and had a few lattes at a coffee shop. He seemed especially proud when he told me, "We went to this gift shop and I bought her a necklace."

Chris and Jennifer went

on a few more dates, but overhearing Chris' half of a phone conversation, I thought it sounded as if she felt awkward about someone paying her way. It was her bold self-assurance and sense of self I admired so much that was quashing Chris' attempts at chivalry. I wanted so badly to grab the phone out of Chris' hand and tell her, "Sweetheart, you should expect a gentleman to pay your way when he asks you out," but I didn't. I knew better than to interfere with my son's social life. Negotiating social rules are important lessons in grow-

ing up. So are heartbreaks.

In conversations with Chris, I'm now hearing the name Mallory pop up. She's a girl he knows from work whom he considers "a good friend." I haven't asked how things are going between the two of them. I've reminded myself there's no reason to discount the importance of having good friends of either sex.

My youngest, Ben, on the other hand, has always been a chick magnet. I remember picking him up from his first week of first grade in his new school and seeing little girls career out of the window of the school buses and their mom's minivans, flash their smiles, flutter their eyelashes and say, "Hiiiiii Bennnn!" Over the years, I've continued to see the same scene at the grocery store and on the soccer field. Ben never seemed to notice. He was always too busy tossing a football to or exchanging a high five with

his buddies.

As he entered the seventh grade, I was once again reintroduced to the concept of "going out," which during the middle school years means nothing more than passing each other in the hallway at school and saying "Hi," while being too bashful to make eye contact. Over the past year, a number of so-called girlfriends came in and out of Ben's life for no more than couple of weeks at a time. When I'd ask him about why they broke up with him, he always claimed to have no clue and went back to tossing footballs to and exchanging high-fives with his buddies as he always had.

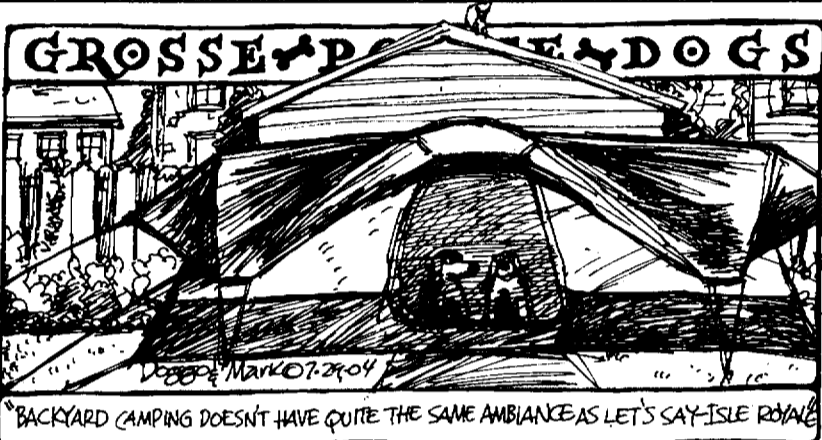
Valerie was different. She was the only girl I've actually seen him say more than "hi" to. For a month or so, they were inseparable. If she wasn't at our house watching silly teen movies

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Visit the Grosse Pointe Dogs website: <http://gpdogs.keenspace.com>

Streetwise

Question of the Week:

What is your favorite thing to do when it rains?



Elizabeth Furest

"When it rains, I like to do many things, including shopping, bowling, watching movies and hanging out with my friends."

Elizabeth Furest
Grosse Pointe Farms



Jeff Johnston

"Sit around the house and practice playing my guitar."

Jeff Johnston
Grosse Pointe Farms



Dave Murray

"I like going for walks in the rain, it is very relaxing."

Dave Murray
Grosse Pointe Farms



Paige Counsman

"I like watching the movie 'Cheaper by the Dozen' with my brother."

Paige Counsman
Grosse Pointe Woods



John Elsey

"Lie around and watch movies with my friends."

John Elsey
Grosse Pointe Farms



Liam McIlroy

"I like to lie in my family room and play PS2."

Liam McIlroy
Grosse Pointe Park

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by Ben Burns



Words' worth

Josephine Wunsch can't tell you how many words she has put on paper. And the fact that she is one of the Pointes' most successful authors and relatively anonymous doesn't bother her at all.

"I'm awfully old," she said, "and an awful lot of words get thrown in the wastebasket."

Even the Grosse Pointe writers group that she has been a mainstay of for three decades doesn't seek recognition. "Writers' Anonymous, I used to call it" said the small, neatly dressed, white-haired lady, who graduated from the Liggett School in the 1930s and U-M in 1936.

But when Mrs. Wunsch shows up for meetings twice a month, she always has her work prepared for critiquing, while some of her younger companions complain of writer's block.

Mrs. Wunsch, who specializes in books for teens, got her first break with a volume called "Flying Skies" in 1962. Her second book, "Passport to Russia," was reviewed in the New York Times. "The Perfect Ten," published in 1986, sold more than 100,000 copies, and her books have been translated and reprinted in Japan,

Yugoslavia, Germany, France and the Scandinavian countries.

In addition, she has written two adult suspense books and fiction and non-fiction for national magazines, including McCall's, Ford Times, Yachting, Modern Bride and Canadian Home Journal.

She was women's editor of the Michigan Daily when she attended there and later freelanced for The Detroit News and worked in the women's department of the Detroit Free Press.

She was married in 1945 to Edward, an attorney who died in 1996, and they had three children and eight grandchildren. The latter are "gorgeous, of course," she said.

Mrs. Wunsch said she got involved in writing because she was no good at math. "My brother and sister were great in math, and I kept flunking," she said.

While the market has dried up for teen books, Mrs. Wunsch still has two manuscripts out circulating among publishers, and she continues to write.

This summer she plans to move to Duxbury, Mass., to be closer to one of her daughters, but she will continue writing. Her thoughts about aspiring writers?

"They're crazy," she said.

"Just write if that's what you have to do."

Last word

During the recent NBA playoff excitement, a Los Angeles Times columnist, T.J. Simers, a fellow who specializes in fragging celebrities, sports and otherwise, had some unkind things to say about Detroit's Kid Rock.

That generated an e-mail response from Joe Choma, an inveterate sports fan and a '98 South grad with a bachelor's degree from Indiana University.

I have to give Simers, who went to school in a cornfield in DeKalb, Ill., at Northern Illinois, credit for letting Choma have a word in the L.A. Times. Joe said: "You can call Kid Rock a punk, but he's proud. He's proud of Detroit. He's proud to be from Detroit. We might have a rusted image throughout the country, but we are one hell of a sports town. We love and support our teams."

Well said, Joe.

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Points about the Pointes

The sun, Carl Joyner, Clyde & Helen Wu and Jeanne Lizza....what do they have in common?



If we're lucky, during our lives we may meet a handful of people who are truly charismatic. This special group will be prophets of sorts to us. They will draw us to want to help and be with them with (for lack of better words) their own energy field, much in the same way the sun draws and guides the planets of our solar system. We don't question the energy, but if it was ever gone or if it never existed, life as we know it wouldn't ever be the same.

My mentor and dear friend Carl Joyner would fit this tall order. As many of you remember, the sheer energy of his personality caused people to stop in and visit us. His wisdom and guidance at "Joyner University" gave me more of a real life education than I could ever pray my children may gain through a formal education at Harvard or Yale.

Earlier in the year, I wrote about my quite-by-chance meeting at lunch of Pointers Clyde and Helen Wu. Clyde and Helen literally created the entire youth program at the Detroit Symphony Orchestra with their energy and magnetism. Our fluke meeting brought two wonderful people into my life and with them a commitment to the connection between classical music and academic achievement.

Last Monday, the gravity of the sun hit many of us at The Lochmoor Club in the form of Jeanne Lizza.

Like Carl, Clyde and Helen, no one could deny that Jeanne is a passionate and charismatic person.

In Jeanne's case, her passion drew hundreds of us to attend the Special Kids Golf Outing and Dinner. The non-profit she founded, Special Kids, is dedicated to making life a little easier for those families with special needs children. The sheer gravity of Jeanne's "force field" drew hundreds of us together to raise tens of thousands of dollars!

A few months ago, Betsy Schulte sent me a quote that really says it all about people like Carl Joyner, Clyde and Helen Wu, and Jeanne Lizza....

"Here's to the crazy ones. The misfits. The trouble-makers. The round heads in the square holes. The ones who see things differently. They're not fond of rules, and they have no respect for the status-quo. You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify, or vilify them. But the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things. They push the human race forward. And while some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius. Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do."

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St. Clair traffic calmed near Village

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Police are eyeing traffic on St. Clair Avenue near the Village.

Officers set up a speed trailer on the street last week the morning after a homeowner a few lots off the City of Grosse Pointe's central business district complained of too much traffic.

"There are many young children on this street," said Terry Cross, resident of the 500 block. "It's only a matter of time before somebody's going to get run over."

City officials were sorry Cross felt he had to wait through an entire, 3 1/2-hour council meeting

Monday night to announce his complaint.

"All you had to do was call me," said Al Fincham, chief of public safety.

By noon Tuesday, a speed trailer was on the job.

As cars approached the Village from St. Paul, their speed flashed in big red numbers, reminding people of the 25 mph limit.

By mid-afternoon, Cross' second concern also had been addressed. Officials agreed to plant a stop sign at the exit of a metered parking lot behind a block of Kercheval. The block hosts restaurants, gift shops, clothing stores and a pharmacy.

Such has been the Village's commercial tapestry for decades. During that time, a significant portion of traffic has funneled to the district on St. Clair, which is wide and feeds three large parking lots and a three-story parking garage.

Cross' third and final request is being addressed. He wants parking banned on Mack outside a party store at the corner of St. Clair.

Cross said he's a regular patron of the store, but he said vehicles parked on Mack block the view of drivers entering from St. Clair. "Before you get out far enough to see if traffic is

coming it's almost too late," he said.

"We're going to resolve that blind intersection," Fincham said. "If there's a delivery truck parked there, you have to inch yourself out on Mack to see if it's clear."

Fincham ordered the installation of a new sign reading: "No parking near corner."

The curb will be painted bright yellow.

Photo by Brad Lindberg

A speed trailer reminds drivers to obey the 25 mph speed limit on St. Clair approaching the Village in the City of Grosse Pointe.



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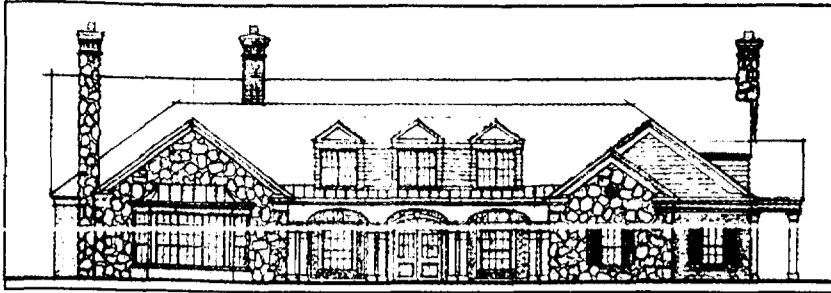
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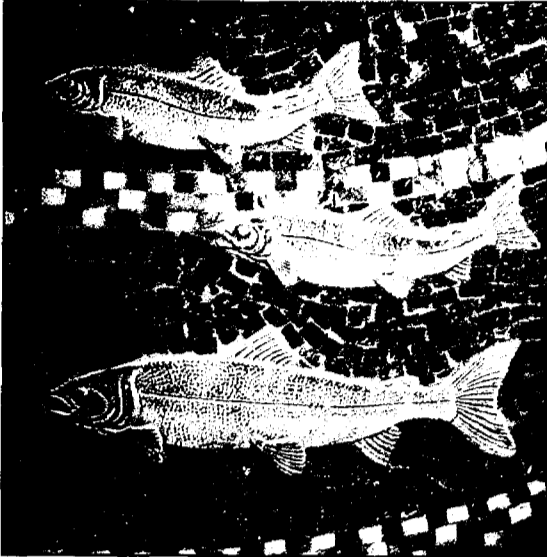
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The Blake Co. of Grosse Pointe Farms has been asked to provide more detailed drawings and cost figures for construction of a new community building at Pier Park.

By The Blake Co.



Builder Christopher Blake said tiles with fish designs will "introduce a little whimsy" to the interior decor of a new community building being planned to replace a structure at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park.

Photo by Brad Lindberg

Farms

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eight-by-eight foot skylight over the lobby beckon natural light, the "hallmark of our designs."

Designers aimed to create a "comfortable, warm space," Blake said. "We didn't want to be too fancy."

A screen porch keeps bugs outside. A veranda offers shady outdoor perspectives of the marina and lake. Want a better view? Head to the second-floor balcony. There's a stairway and elevator.

Farms officials requested two sets of bathrooms in design proposals. In Blake's drawings, one set has outdoor and indoor access for typical, sand-footed park-users. The second set sits just off the main room for people attending gatherings or classes.

Bathroom mirrors will be framed by small tiles carrying nautical flags of the alphabet — "just for fun," Blake said. Fish tiles on walls "introduce a little whimsy."

Therese Joseph, council member, liked the building's appearance and layout. But she sat alone in

opposition of Blake moving forward with design and cost figures.

"I need more numbers for financing," she said.

Davis sided with the majority despite being dead set against one of the proposed building's core elements — two sets of men's and women's bathrooms.

"I'm alerting them (council members) I'm strongly objecting to an unnecessary expense for second bathrooms," Davis said. "That's \$50,000."

On the other hand, Dale Drew, a Farms resident with four children under 10 years old, said the plans didn't

offer enough.

"What you're planning will be of no use to me," he said.

Drew wanted a facility oriented toward recreation. He cited the year-round gymnasium and racquetball court comprising main elements of an activities center built four years ago at Lakefront Park in his native Grosse Pointe Woods.

Farms officials said a big facility wouldn't fit in at Pier Park, where a major draw is a lakeside view.

"Why put something at this site you're only going to see from indoors," Farquhar said.

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Landlords, tenants beware

There are some really bizarre goings-on in Grosse Pointe Woods.

In this and last week's Grosse Pointe News, there are stories about a proposed rental ordinance being pushed in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The rush to enact an ordinance is being pushed by a homeowners' association, former state Sen. John Kelly and Councilwomen Patricia Kukula Chylinski and Lisa Pinkos Howle.

The Woods, though it does have some 300 rental units and houses, has operated all these years without a separate ordinance governing rental properties. The city, instead, has relied on occupancy permits and other municipal ordinances designed to maintain aesthetics and property upkeep.

So what is the rush now? Councilwomen Chylinski and Howle say it is a citywide, grassroots issue. The crux of the matter is a rental property in Sen. Kelly's neighborhood that he and his neighbors find it intolerable to abide.

Sen. Kelly, an attorney, drafted a rental ordinance for the city council to approve. His ordinance mandates all rental properties be registered with the city before they can be let. He further states that all tenants and their birth dates be registered with the city. He further wants all new, additional tenants to a property be registered with the city as they occur.

When a rental family has a baby, it has to be registered with the city. Sen. Kelly's ordinance said the personal information on rental occupants is for "the purposes of taxes, school enrollment, immigration and the issuance of Park passes..."

We had a problem with the senator's ordinance; so we consulted Grosse Pointe Park attorney Tim Dinan. Following his review of Sen. Kelly's ordinance, Mr. Dinan found it "fraught with constitutional problems."

"Essentially," he said, "Sen. Kelly's ordinance creates two classes of citizens: Those who need to be registered

Opinion

and those who don't need to be registered."

Even worse, the senator's ordinance gives any resident standing to oppose a rental occupancy permit and allows the resident "to act in the stead of the city to have a lien placed on property..."

Landlords are going to love that. Even tenants could harass landlords.

Mr. Dinan had a problem with allowing a citizen to prosecute a landlord without going through the city prosecutor. We have the same concerns.

Contrary to the opinion of Sen. Kelly, et al, not everyone who rents out a house is a selfish, money-grubbing landlord. People rent out houses for many reasons — job relocation, illness or investment in a good community.

Fortunately, city attorneys Don and Chip Berschback, who were given just 48 hours to come up with a rental ordinance of their own, excluded some of the more onerous provisions in Sen. Kelly's proposed ordinance.

The Berschbacks' rental ordinance, which Ms. Howle prefers to call a landlord licensing ordinance, is a nearly verbatim copy of St. Clair Shores' rental inspection ordinance, which, according to Mr. Dinan, has not been found unconstitutional. The St. Clair Shores ordinance can be found at www.municode.com.

In a departure from the St. Clair Shores ordinance, the Berschbacks' ordinance calls for all tenants to be registered with the city like so many sex offenders. If Aunt Rose came to live with renters in the Woods while she convalesces, even she would be required to be registered with the city.

Berschback presented his version of a rental ordinance to the city council at a special meeting called for last Wednesday evening, July 21.

We realize rental ordinances have become commonplace, but Sen. Kelly's law is excessive, and so is having to register name and date of birth

of all citizens who happen to be renters. If residents wish to voluntarily register with the city to get park passes, that is their choice.

As Mr. Dinan said, "It's crazy. Sen. Kelly's ordinance is not a very well thought-out ordinance."

But there is one last area of concern: How the Wednesday, July 21, special meeting came about.

On Saturday, July 17, Councilwomen Chylinski and Howle signed a letter calling for a special meeting. Per city charter, two council members can call for a special meeting with 24 hours' notice.

Further, an official-looking agenda, complete with the normal verbiage and Open Meeting Act provisions, was created over the city clerk's name for a Wednesday, July 21, meeting. The agenda item: a public hearing on the proposed rental ordinance.

But a public hearing requires 20 days' notice, according to Mayor Robert Novitke. Further, no rental ordinance had been submitted by the city attorneys or ordinance committee to have a hearing about.

Subsequently, a letter was signed by City Clerk Louise Warmke stating that she did not prepare the agenda.

Whoever prepared the bogus agenda took great pains to make it look as if the city clerk did. Ms. Howle said the creation of the agenda was not meant to be official, but was more along the lines of a "form" as to what she would like to see on the "official" agenda.

Nevertheless, the "draft" agenda was circulated by Ms. Chylinski to fellow council members without the words "draft" or "proposed" stamped on it.

The city clerk maintains Ms. Chylinski and Ms. Howle's original request for a special meeting was void because it was not filed during normal city hall business hours.

At Monday night's council meeting, the councilwomen called for the special meeting Wednesday night. They

ordered the city attorneys to draft the ordinance in less than 48 hours. Their motion was approved 3-2 with Mayor Novitke and Councilwoman Vicki Granger voting no.

We are confident the Woods city attorneys and reasonable members of the city council will come up with a fair and constitutional rental ordinance — if one is needed at all.

But we still keep coming back to the question, what is the rush? And why all the chicanery? According to Ms. Chylinski and Ms. Howle, their actions were borne out of frustration at not being able to get the rental ordinance on the agenda.

True, the matter was first brought up in April and was originally scheduled for a Committee of the Whole council meeting no earlier than September. And, true, the matter was mistakenly not put on the July 12 council agenda.

But ordinances the scope of one for rentals should take months to do properly. What are a few weeks in the bigger scheme of things?

And what is the urgent need now? Sen. Kelly and the homeowners association, according to Ms. Howle, have vowed to get a rental ordinance referendum on the November general election ballot if nothing is accomplished sooner.

So? Even an ordinance forced by a referendum needs to be constitutional.

Editor's note: Sen. Kelly returned calls to the Grosse Pointe News late Tuesday as the paper was being put to bed. Sen. Kelly said he teaches political science and has taught constitutional law.

He said that as a senator, he drafted many laws that are still on the books and have not been found unconstitutional. Sen. Kelly stands by his draft of a rental ordinance. "To say it is unconstitutional is a lie," he said.

He said park passes, school enrollment and homestead tax exemptions all require residents to divulge private information about occupants of a household. He sees no difference with his ordinance's requirements.

Sen. Kelly further wants to see heavier fines placed on landlords who fail to comply with a rental ordinance. He said he has lived in a situation near renters that is intolerable and the city and police department cannot or will not do anything based on the existing ordinances in place.

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Letters

Library staff wages

To the Editor: One wonders what motivates the Grosse Pointe Public Library Board members to behave in such an aggressive and regressive manner toward the staff. Could it be their failure to understand the function of a library?

Not understanding a library's function, i.e., the collection, organization and dissemination of information, might explain their rejection of the historic focus on the vital role of staff in carrying it out. It appears that the board has adopted a business-for-profit model on which to run a nonprofit service institution.

We state for the board's edification: The product of a library is service and that service is performed by its staff.

Effective leadership in any organization recognizes the importance of morale in the efficient workings of its team. There is an obvious disconnection between the image that the board has of the library staff and the image that is held by the public.

Comments by library patrons at recent Grosse Pointe Public Schools Board of Education and library board meetings have run the gamut from disillusionment to anger, and were directed at the library board's autocratic handling of negotia-

tions. The members of the board, some of whom are now or will be benefiting from adequate health insurance and pensions garnered through collective bargaining, should look into their individual consciences, and take measure of their personal commitment to serve as the stewards of the public trust.

Taxpayers assumed that the \$4 million they turn over to the board annually apportioned a fair percentage for salaries and benefits. That would be in keeping with normal expectations. However, failure of negotiations generated publicity which showed otherwise.

Until now, however, members of the board, who are not elected by taxpayers, have raised, committed and spent taxpayer and bondholder money with abandon and they have not paid the necessary concomitant attention to those who provide the service, that is, the "product."

Beautiful new buildings will delight the eye as well as add to the community's attractiveness and value. However, a real foundation for the library can only be made by investing in those who keep those buildings true to their function.

Qualified people have left our system. Others have bypassed it. We will not attract nor keep the best if the board does not offer wages and benefits in line with those of comparable

communities.

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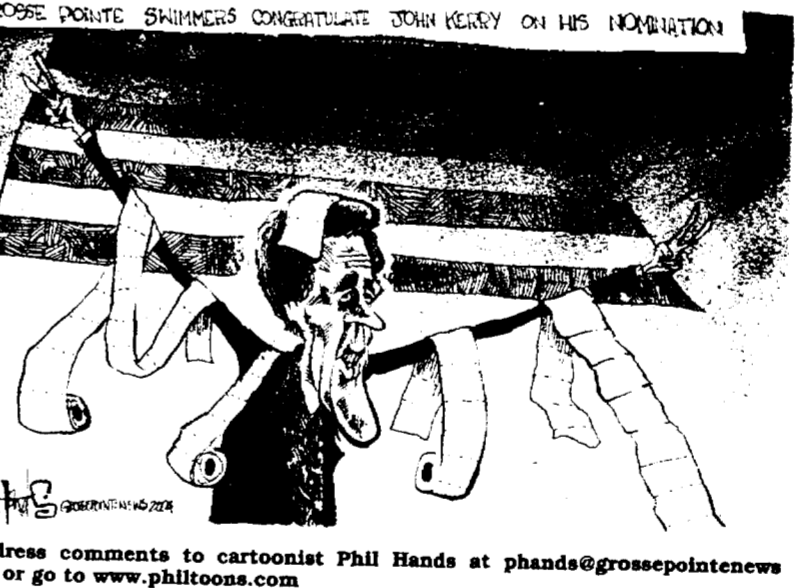
To the Editor: This is in regard to Brad Lindberg's op-ed piece "Mack odyssey," Grosse Pointe News, July 22 issue, lamenting the alleged plight of Mack Avenue merchants and shoppers.

May I suggest that inasmuch as he seems to yearn for the look and feel of Gratiot Avenue, he might find himself much more happily situated in either Eastpointe or Roseville.

Lewis J. Alden
Grosse Pointe Woods

Liquor license

To the Editor: I attended the Woods Park night swim with my wife and children last Friday and was approached by Grosse Pointe Woods Councilwoman Chylinski to see if I would wear a shirt that said, "Paid for by the committee to make Grosse Pointe a better place," and then the shirt said vote



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"Yes" to more liquor licenses. I do not understand how having more liquor in Grosse Pointe makes us a "better place."

I do know that I read the police reports every week in the Grosse Pointe News and find that many of the reports are about drunken driving. Many of these people are from outside of Grosse Pointe. Do we really want to attract more people to our city by enticing them to come, drink and then drive through our city?

I realize many people go to dinner and like to have a glass of wine with their meal. I also know many people like to go to dinner and have a lot of alcohol and then drive home on the same roads that my family and friends are driving on. Why are we promoting

more of this? And why are we promoting it at a family function attended mostly by elementary school kids with shirts that I saw one young child wearing at the pool?

Something is wrong with that. I am all for helping the businesses in Grosse Pointe make a profit, but do we have to do it by asking more people to come and consume alcohol in our city?

Scott Cooper
Grosse Pointe Woods

Trees, please

To the Editor: It is sadly obvious that our current school board, excluding recently elected members, have forgotten one of the main things that makes Grosse Pointe a unique and beautiful com-

munity. Their cutting down of the mature trees on Fisher is not what voters had in mind when we approved the bond and sinking fund recently.

What a poor example for the students of our community about priorities, when we destroy the natural beauty of an area in the name of a few more cement spaces to park a vehicle.

Thomas Schulte
Grosse Pointe Farms

Total cost of new science lab

To the Editor: How disappointing, yet not surprising, the school

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New CAD teacher hired to fill Cherry's vacancy

By Jennie Miller
Staff Writer

Rachael Lang hopes her feet are large enough to fill the shoes Tom Cherry left behind.

After spending 29 years at Harper Woods High School, evolving with the times and technological advances while teaching drafting and CAD (computer-aided design) courses, Cherry opted for retirement at the end of the 2003-04 school year.

At first, the district was worried Cherry was irreplaceable. But when Lang's application came through the door, the future looked bright once again.

One might think Lang would be a little sheepish to accept the position, knowing how beloved Cherry was to the district. But she embraced the challenge, joining Cherry in the classroom during his final days of teaching so she could understand the man behind the legacy.

"I wanted to spend time with him to see what he's doing because of his reputation and how much the kids like him," Lang said. "I don't want to go in there and change things, but I'm going to do the best job I can as a teacher. He showed me around and tried to give me as much advice as he could."

Lang is an Eastpointe resident and graduate of Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in secondary education. Her focus was on vocational trades in drafting and design technology. She also earned her associate's degree from Macomb Community College in applied science in tool, fixture and die design.

The trade has always been of interest to Lang, who helped out her father in the garage when she was young.

"I've always been mechanically inclined," she said, and perhaps it's in her genes. Her father was a machinist and engineer. And to prove she loves to surround herself with the

work, she also married a machinist, Andrew. Together, they have two sons, Jacob, 8, and Dylan, 11.

Lang enjoys the work because it's always something new, she said.

"It's like a puzzle; you're always trying to solve a problem," she said. "It's challenging, and that's why I like it."

Teaching has also always been a passion for Lang.

"I've always been good at explaining things to people," she theorized. "I love working with kids, and I feel I have a strong connection with high school-age students, helping them learn, helping them find a career, and find themselves."

In the classroom, Lang will continue Cherry's curriculum of teaching both mechanical and architectural design. In the first year, students learn both subjects but can choose a path to follow more closely in the second, third and fourth sections. Students design everything from a chair to a house, Lang said, using the Auto-CAD program.

Lang said she'll also continue to encourage students to participate in the national competitions as Cherry did with much success.

And she can't wait for summer to be over so she can get right in the classroom.

"I am looking forward to working with the students and their different personalities," she said. "(Harper Woods) seems like a really nice school, very tight-knit. I've already met several of the other teachers, and everybody is really friendly."

As for whether or not her feet are big enough, Lang says that is yet to be decided, but she's hopeful.

"It's a challenge for me to fill (Cherry's) shoes and make sure I can do the best I can for these kids," she said. "I want to live up to his standards for the benefit of both the school and his students."

City comes together to prevent crime

A two-day dedication to preventing crime and strengthening neighborhoods in Harper Woods will take place with a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, August 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at City Hall, followed by participation in the 21st annual National Night Out, from 6 to 10 p.m., on Tuesday, August 3.

"We want to work together to prevent crime," said Lt. James Burke, who is helping to organize both events.

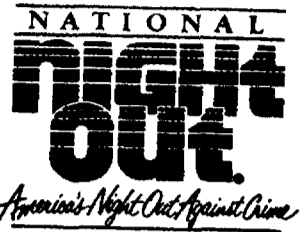
The meeting will feature presentations and discussions by police officers, city officials, and community leaders including Sam Jackson, a pastor and sponsor of Harper Woods High School's Diversity Club, and a representative from Eastland Center.

National Night Out is expected to involve more than 34 million people in 10,000 communities across the United States.

"From 6 to 10 p.m., residents are encouraged to turn on their exterior light-

ing and spend the evening outside, getting to know neighbors," Burke said.

Many areas throughout the city have already organized block parties to be held that evening, and cookouts, flashlight walks and youth activities are encouraged. Burke hopes this campaign will muster discussion of crime prevention and the formation of neighborhood watch groups. Burke encourages neighbors to get creative and form activities block by block. He added that police officers are on hand to come to certain streets if requested.



POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

Auto theft

A locked 2003 Chrysler Sebring was stolen from a driveway in the 18900 block of Kenosha on Saturday, July 24, between 2 and 9:20 a.m.

Attempted auto theft

A 2004 Chrysler Sebring was nearly stolen during the night between Wednesday,

July 21, at 11 p.m. and Thursday, July 22, at 7:45 a.m. The vehicle was parked in the driveway of the 20000 block of Country Club and had damage to the ignition and left front door handle.

A wallet with \$26 was stolen along with five DVDs from a 2004 Dodge van sometime between 7:15 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20, and 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21, in the 20500 block

of Hunt Club. The van had pry marks under the driver's side door handle and the ignition was punched.

A resident of the 20000 block of Lancaster noticed the driver's side door handle of her 1999 Jeep Cherokee was damaged and the ignition was lying on the floor board. She also discovered that someone made off with her CD player, valued at \$350. The larceny and attempted auto theft occurred sometime during the night between 11 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20, and 7:10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21.

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More than \$3,000 worth of equipment was stolen from a garage in the 21300 block of Newcastle on Wednesday, July 21, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The east side window of the garage was pried off and lying on the ground. The homeowner reported missing a \$900 generator, a \$300 chop saw, a \$1,400 concrete saw and \$800 worth of assorted hand tools.

Armed robbery

While reporting to work on Tuesday, July 20, at 2:30 a.m., a Warren cleaning man was nearly robbed by two men, one of whom carried a revolver.

"Give me all your money," the suspect shouted, to which the man responded that he didn't have any. He dropped his wallet on the ground, and as the suspect bent down to pick it up, the man struck him over the head with his thermos. Both suspects ran east, and the victim followed them to Riad and Washtenaw.

Strong armed robbery

A Harper Woods woman was punched in the face from behind on Tuesday, July 20, at 6:45 p.m. as she walked through a parking lot in the 19300 block of Kelly. The assailant tried to grab the woman's purse, but she held on to it and he fled.

Home invasion

An Old Homestead house was ransacked and numerous items were stolen on Tuesday, July 20, between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m.

Reported missing were a Dell lap top computer, a \$200 DVD player, a \$400 video camera, a \$1,460 golf bag with clubs, an Xbox video game, a stereo, a baseball autographed by Ken Griffey, a \$1,000 wedding band, 152 compact discs, 13 DVDs, a suitcase, and a jewelry box containing a \$500 gold necklace, a \$100 silver bracelet, 10 gold necklaces valued at \$500, a silver class ring, 20 silver and gold charms and earrings valued at \$500, a 50-year-old pink stone ring, and a silver watch.

Police noticed damage to the home's front door and doorjamb.

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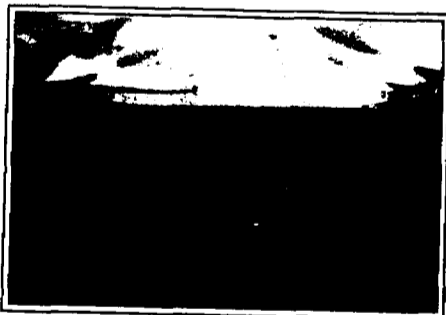
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ULS seniors learn about possible careers

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

Before the school year was completed, University Liggett School seniors were already preparing for their futures.

In a program called Senior Projects, students spent the last four weeks of school dabbling in a wide array of industries in order to see what kind of world they want to enter after they are educated.

"It's a nice way to cap off the year," said Dean of Students Elizabeth Jamett, who oversees the program. "The students get out what they put in. Kids who go in with enthusiasm leave that way."

Many career areas are represented in the program such as medicine, law, engineering and the automotive industry, advertising, media and finance.

The students spent approximately 30 hours a week in a work environment, usually in the morning so they can participate in sports practices and competitions in the afternoons.

Jamett said the introduction to a career helps students ascertain if they want to spend their lives pursuing such a field.

"It is so interesting to see what kids came back with," she said. "It solidifies in their mind that this is something he or she is interested in or just the opposite."

T.J. Corbett and Joanna Miller are two ULS graduates who loved their senior projects. Corbett worked in the creative department at

Campbell Ewald advertising agency, and Miller labored at the 36th District Court office of Judge Anna Diggs Taylor.

"I really liked it. I just started talking to people. They were really nice," Corbett said. "One of the guys took me under his wing."

Corbett's particular department was the electronic studio. He had the chance to brainstorm ideas for particular ads as well as the opportunity to create a digital story board, which is the piece by piece template of an ad. He learned skills like how to use Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator.

Imran Sheikh, the Campbell Ewald staffer who mentored Corbett, taught him how to make his own Web site and conversed with him about career interests.

Corbett, who will attend Aquinas College next year with a major in art and theater, wants to act and draw comics when he completes his education. Working at Campbell Ewald made him excited about pursuing a creative vocation.

"It revitalized my passion for art, and I thought that was so cool," he said.

Miller had an equally good experience working for Judge Taylor as Corbett did working at Campbell Ewald. She said she was apprehensive at first, but through the course of a month, she said she learned a lot and was able to be very helpful to the court.

She went to different tri-

als and ran the correspondence between lawyers and the court. She filed information for motion hearings and managed Taylor's schedule. She read prisoners' letters asking for a judicial review and determined whether their cases fell under the court's jurisdiction.

Miller said she particularly liked watching cases and basked in the often sensationalistic aspect of trials.

"It was interesting to see how the lawyers interacted with each other. It was almost as if they were creating a story for you," she said.

Miller will attend Harvard College next year and hopes to major in history or social studies. She said her experience working for Taylor made her more interested in pursuing a profession in the law.

"You learn new things. It gives you an extra push, and you're being productive," she said.

Jamett said this year's program was a success, making the senior projects a tradition that will likely continue in future years.

"We got positive remarks from both the children and supervisors," she said.

Photo by Carrie Cunningham
University Liggett School seniors participated in senior projects, where they learn about a particular career. T.J. Corbett, right, worked for the Campbell Ewald advertising agency and loved it.

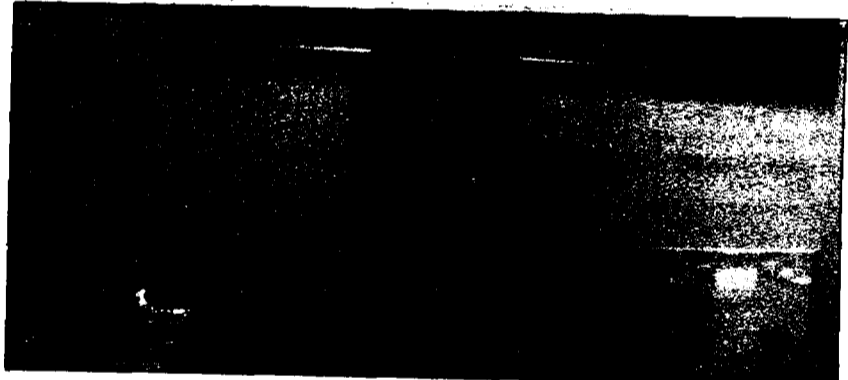


Photo by Carrie Cunningham
Christian Fenton, assistant superintendent for business affairs and support services, said health care costs have increased 14 percent since last year.

District health insurance costs increase 14 percent for 2004-05

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

The cost of health insurance is expensive for the Grosse Pointe Public School System, as it is for the rest of America.

In this year's approximately \$100 million budget, the cost of providing health insurance for district staff went up 14 percent from the 2003-04 school year to \$700,000. While this is below the national average of approximately 14.7 percent, it still is a hefty expense the district has to plan for and far above the 3 to 6 percent increase in the late 1990s.

"You look at ways to reduce costs and still provide a reasonable benefit package," Christian Fenton, assistant superintendent for business affairs and support services, said. "It's really tough, not just for the school system but for everybody."

Fenton said spiraling health insurance costs are mitigated locally due to the fact that the district is self-insured and offers a cafeteria style benefit packages. People can choose different plans according to their needs.

"We had this blanket coverage for all people. Now,

they can kind of select and fine tune their coverage," he said. "If the employee selects the lesser plan he or she picks up a savings. Then, we also pick up a savings."

The district is also looking into wellness programs to limit health care costs before sicknesses occur. These programs educate people about the risks of smoking and being overweight and ways to control injuries.

Not only do health care costs diminish via wellness programs, but also funds necessary to pay for substitute teachers decrease as teachers miss less work due to sickness, Fenton said.

Despite these strategies, there are other factors to the health care equation, namely retirement costs. They also went up 14 percent from last year at a rate of 14.87 percent of salaries. A portion of retirement costs is for health care, and whatever the state stipulates as the rate for these retirement costs, the district must follow.

Fenton pointed out that these strains make the district vulnerable to both state demands and the increasing cost of health care and insurance nationally.

He added that even if the

state increases spending for Grosse Pointe schools next year, which they did not commit to this year, the district would still have to make cuts as health insurance costs are growing beyond the rate of inflation.

Nationally, both President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry are proposing plans they say would decrease health care costs and increase coverage. Bush would increase tax credits and employ medical savings accounts. Kerry would repeal the Bush tax cuts and expand two government programs, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, while simultaneously offering tax credits for lower-costing coverage.

Fenton said whoever is in the White House after the election next fall, the school district has to focus on its particular needs.

"You have to pay for your share of it, and whether it's a Republican or a Democrat, from the school's perspective, we have to control what we're paying," he said.

When the budget process unfolds next year, the question of health insurance costs will no doubt be high on the agenda of issues that must be solved creatively.

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The Grosse Pointe Woods School District

Trombly students thank foundation for splash pad

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

The kids had immense gratitude for a splashy creation.

Fourth-grade students in Mary O'Mera's class at Trombly Elementary wrote thank you notes to the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation for its donation of a splash pad, a fountain-like toy that sprays and pours water in Patterson Park.

The kids colored construction paper with vari-

ous designs, including ones that depicted the splash pad, and wrote meaningful missives to the Foundation for its generosity in giving the toy.

"I would like to thank you for the hard work and participation in making the splash pad," wrote student Emily Kennedy. "I think it was a great idea because there aren't a lot of water parks, and it's close by and really fun."

Many students remarked as Kennedy that the splash

pad was exciting to play with; others commented how it is refreshing during the humid summer months.

"It makes the park a better place because on hot days lots of people will come to the splash pad. Our whole class loves it. Thank you," said student Sally Ottenhoff.

"It shoots out water to keep you cool in the summertime," agreed student Eliana Masotti.

The letters will be displayed at the Grosse Pointe

Park municipal building on Jefferson.

The Park Foundation was formed in 1984 to accept contributions and make grants that support charitable, civic, recreational, educational and cultural undertakings in Grosse Pointe Park.

"They have a fundraiser a couple of times a year," said Laura Kennedy, Emily's mother and husband to Jay Kennedy and daughter-in-law to Parks Councilwoman Shirley Kennedy, both

members of the Foundation. "People pay \$50 a year to join, and then they have parties where they charge money."

In addition to the gift of the splash pad, which opened on Memorial Day, the Foundation has given Patterson Park a movie theater and ice skating rink.

Patterson Park has many additional attractions. Visitors can use grills, picnic tables, a playscape, tennis courts, a backboard and basketball courts, all in a

calm and soothing environment.

The novel splash pad could be the most notable feature in the Park during the 2004 summer season.

"It is fun to go through the water jets and arches," said student Elliot Carter.

To get a picnic permit at Patterson Park, call (313) 822-2812 ext. 201. To find out more about the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation, call (313) 822-6200.

Purchase of data processing software OK'd by board

By Carrie Cunningham
Staff Writer

They voted for data comprehension.

At its Monday, July 12, meeting, the Grosse Pointe Public Schools Board of Education approved the purchase of data analysis software called Just 5 Clicks for a cost of \$59,000. The vote was six to one with Angela Kennedy voting against it.

"Information can drive

decisions to enhance instruction, but only when it is easy to understand," said a district summary of the software. "Just 5 Clicks application allows staff a way to organize data and see it as meaningful information."

The software has many uses some of which include enabling teachers to ascertain where to direct teaching focus and ways to track test score improvements

related to the No Child Left Behind Act.

It can also compare and contrast student performance between student to school, school to district and district to national, according to the Just 5 Clicks Web page.

Some of the specific data presentations the software offers are PowerPoint presentations and Excel spread sheets.

Just 5 Clicks has existed

for 10 years and has extensive experience with school districts in Illinois, Wisconsin, Florida, California, Pennsylvania and Texas.

Teachers, counselors, and other staff previewed the software and encouraged its purchase. Other similar software was rejected because it was not deemed to adequately meet the district's needs.

While a majority on the

board think the software will benefit the district,

some worry that it might be too expensive. Kennedy, who voted against the measure, said she had a hard time voting for it when the district has considered cost cutting savings such as shortening class time from seven to six periods.

Additionally, while Ahmed Ismail voted for the software, he said the district needs to establish

whether enhancements like Just 5 Clicks are essential.

"We shouldn't be approving anything that is not an absolute necessity," he said. "We don't have the funds."

Nonetheless, the district believes the new software will allow staff to more quickly analyze the voluminous data collected within schools, thereby improving instruction and performance.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the testing of the Computer Program for the Primary Election to be held on August 3, 2004, will be carried out on July 30, 2004, at 2:30 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office located in the Municipal Building at 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, Michigan.

The test is to assure the validity of the computer program which will be used to count ballots for the Primary Election to be held August 3, 2004. The public is invited to attend.

G.P.N.: 07/29/2004
POSTED: July 20, 2004

Mickey, D. Todd,
City Clerk
City of Harper Woods

Artistic workshops make possibilities

A variety of musical workshops will be available to all students in the Grosse Pointe area. They include:

- An acting workshop will occur Monday through Thursday, Aug. 9 to 12 and be run by Melissa Johnson from New York City, who has an M.F.A. from the University of Cincinnati. Students must have participated in a high school drama or musical and be very interested in acting techniques and script study.
- A beginning voice workshop will be offered for seventh-graders through seniors from Aug. 9 to 12. Students will be in classes of 10 or less and will learn the basics of proper breathing, tonal production, posture for singing and how to sing in the bel canto head voice time. The students will learn a classical selection and a music theater selection selected for their age group.
- An intermediate voice workshop for students in grades 9 to 13 will transpire from Aug. 9 to 12. Students must have studied voice privately. The class will review all vocal techniques and will work in a small group on solo material. Students will perform both classical and music theater selections.
- An advanced voice workshop will be offered from Aug. 9 to 12 for students in grades 10 to 12 who have the ability to sing Gilbert and Sullivan. Solos, duets, trios and quartets from the operetta of Gilbert and Sullivan will be studied and performed.
- From Aug. 23 to 28 the annual Grosse Pointe Showchoir workshop will transpire.
- A Grand Finale concert for the public will occur on Saturday, Aug. 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Center for the Performing Arts, 707 Vernier. Seats can be reserved at Posterity a Gallery in the Village or with a Visa/Master Charge by calling Barb Cole at (586) 979-4923.

On the left is Grosse Pointe South High School student Natalie Humphrey of the Pointe Singers, preparing for the Grand Finale concert.

For brochures and more information on the classes, call Barb Cole.

Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 234

Notice is hereby given that at its regular meeting on July 20, 2004, the Grosse Pointe Shores Village Council passed new Ordinance No. 234. This ordinance was ordered to take effect upon the publication of a synopsis of the ordinance in a newspaper circulated in the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Ordinance No. 234 establishes, defines and clarifies the procedures to be utilized by the Village in establishing special assessment districts and in conducting special assessments, in compliance with the Village Charter and state law, and repeals any inconsistent ordinance provisions.

Copies of Ordinance No. 234 are available for public inspection at the Village offices.

Victoria J. Boyce,
Village Clerk
G.P.N.: 07/29/2004

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 12, 2004

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

ROLL CALL: All Council persons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held June 21, 2004.
- 2) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable listing for Check Numbers 70917 through 71127 in the amount of \$739,539.86 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$5,911.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of May 2004. (3) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$28,337.16 for professional services during the month of May 2004 for the following projects: A/E Services - DPW Bldg., #180-085; Harper Ave. Repairs, #180-057; 2003 Joint Crack Sealing Project, #180-077; 2004 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-081; 2004 Joint Crack Sealing Project, #180-082; HW Public Library Project, #180-084 and DWSD & NE Wayne Co. Review, #180-090. (4) Approve the quote from Loopmaster International, Inc. for the geothermal test well drilling in the amount of \$10,300.00 in connection with the Library renovation project. (5) Approve the repair of the 1949 Cement Buster, to be performed by Michigan Fleet in the amount of \$8,017.35. (6) Approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$12,000 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2003 audit.
- 2) To receive and file the 2003 Audit as submitted by the City's Auditors, Plante & Moran and also receive and file their comments and recommendations letter.
- 3) To adopt the Proclamation designating Tuesday, August 3, 2004 as "National Night Out" in the City of Harper Woods (Attachment #1)
- 4) To add the following financial institutions as authorized institutions for the investment of City funds: UBS Financial Services & Mercantile Bank of West Michigan.
- 5) To approve the Right-Of-Way Telecommunications Permit and the terms and conditions set forth therein for Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a SBC Michigan.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor
Mickey D. Todd, City Clerk
G.P.N.: 07/29/2004

A new year begins at South High School

On Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004, incoming freshman to Grosse Pointe South High School will participate in an orientation program. Ninth-grade students should report to the main gym at the entrance off Grosse Pointe Boulevard at 8:30 a.m. The class of 2008 will have the opportunity to hear from administrators and student leaders and become familiar with South's environment before freshman registration on Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004. The program will end at approximately 11:30 a.m.

In addition, an evening Freshmen Orientation program, for parents only, will take place in South's main gym at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004, at the entrance off Grosse Pointe Boulevard. At that time freshmen parents will be welcomed by administrators, counselors and student leaders of South. Additional information will be delivered relative to student registration and the freshman high school experience.

A special five-day summer enrollment period has been established for students who are new to the Grosse Pointe South High School attendance area. A counselor will be on duty Monday through Friday, Aug. 16 to 20 to assist new students with the selection of their courses for the 2004-05 school year. Enrollment hours will be from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. Parents of high school students who are new to the Grosse Pointe High School attendance area should call Connie Potvin, Records Room Secretary at (313) 432-3535 to schedule an enrollment conference with a counselor.

Students and/or parents should bring a transcript of grades from the school attended previously or the last report card, if it is not possible to get a transcript in time. A birth certificate, a Social Security card and health records are also needed at the time of enrollment.

NOTICE OF ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT
For
PRIMARY ELECTION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2004

Registered qualified electors in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County and Lake Township-Macomb County, who expect to be absent from the city or township or who are confined to home or hospital by illness or disability or are 60 years of age or more, may now apply for absent voter's ballots. NO SUCH REGULAR APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER 2:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2004. Applications can be made prior to such time at the Municipal Offices.

The offices of the City Clerks of Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe and Lake Township will be open during normal business hours Monday thru Friday of each week. All offices will be open on Saturday, July 31, 2004 from 8:30 until 2:00 p.m. for absent voter's ballot. **HOWEVER, ANYONE WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT MAY DO SO IN THE CITY OFFICE ON MONDAY, August 2, 2004 UNTIL 4:00 P.M.**

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'04 Hyundai Elantra GLS

By Greg Zyla
This week we test drive the 2004 Hyundai Elantra GLS (base price: \$13,299; price as tested \$13,437), a model that has improved greatly over the years to earn a level of respect much higher than its price tag.

We were impressed during our week in this not-so-plain Jane, enjoying a smooth ride, great handling and ample power while not missing the extras that come with sedans costing twice as much.

The base GLS model has everything on its list of standard features except floor mats (\$78) and mudguards (\$60). Four-door and five-door GT models are available starting at \$14,849.

The Elantra, a step up from Hyundai's entry-level Accent, has been around since 1991 and is the Korean car maker's best seller in America. For 2004, a redesigned hood, grille, bumper and headlights create a front end that is almost luxury-looking. The elegant headlight package gleams, combining nicely with the Sterling Silver paint scheme on our tester.

Another high point in the

looks department is the "premium" wheel covers that look sharp and expensive (while we know they're not) on 15-inch wheels. They helped carry the high-class look around the car.

Except for the cruise control and moon roof that seemingly every vehicle has today, the Elantra GLS is not short on interior amenities. It offers air conditioning; tilt steering; power locks, windows and mirrors; tachometer and trip odometer; remote fuel door and trunk release; quartz digital clock; tinted glass with sunshade band; rear window defroster; keyless remote entry; AM/FM stereo cassette; and 60/40 folding rear seats. (This is a good time to remind everyone — it's only \$13,437!). The GT model adds cruise control and the moon roof for \$700.

The Elantra knocks out impressive fuel mileage numbers at 26 mpg city and 34 mpg highway with its 2.0-liter, double overhead cam, 16-valve, four-cylinder engine mated to a five-speed manual transmission. We admit there were a few times when a little more power (the GLS produces

139 horses) would have been nice, but it's an easy sacrifice given the price and mileage.

That smooth ride we bragged about earlier is produced by a front independent suspension with MacPherson struts and a rear independent multi-link suspension with coil springs. The Elantra also has front- and rear-stabilizer bars, helping to create the solid feel and aid in handling.

Hyundai also makes a case for providing ample safety features at a low cost, with dual front air bags, front side air bags and rear child-seat anchors standard. Important numbers include a wheelbase of 102.7 inches, 14.5-gallon fuel tank (unleaded regular) and cargo capacity of 12.9 cubic feet.

Honda's base Civic compares with Elantra in price and beats it in gas mileage and standard features (including cruise, a CD player and moon roof). But the Elantra certainly competes in many ways, including looks and ride. It's one of many interesting comparisons for a buyer in this market to make.



2004
Hyundai
Elantra GT

Cruisin'

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Still, we realize the fear in paying \$13,000 for a new car only to see it quickly deteriorate and depreciate. In this case, Hyundai's famous 10-year, 100,000-mile powertrain warranty and five-year, 60,000-mile new vehicle warranty helps ease those concerns.

Those should provide some reassurance that even this inexpensive car is built to last. We give the Elantra an 8.5 on a scale of 1 to 10.

Likes: Price. Gas mileage. Elegant front-end look. Smooth ride.

Dislikes: Emergency brake handle can interfere with shifting. Map lights shine into driver and passenger's eyes. No cruise control (come on, we're spoiled!).

— King Features Syndicate

and 392 cubic inches. These Hemi-powered Chrysler's family of passenger cars, and were called "Red Ram," "Firedome" and "Firepower" motors. In the '60s, Chrysler brought out its famous 426 Hemi, which produced way more power and became an instant hit both on the track and street.

Chevy Small Block: Introduced in 1955, the little 265 would go on to become the most famous engine of them all. No other engine has been used in more applications in sizes of up to 400 cubic inches than the small block.

Ford Small Block: Also starting life in the 260-inch range, the little Ford small block grew to a powerful 351 Windsor and Cleveland design, and was also capable of even more if bored.

Chevy Big Block: Ranging in production sizes from 366 to 454 inches, these engines today come in aftermarket 502-inch crates and are respected everywhere for lots of torque and horsepower.

Oldsmobile Rocket: Back in 1949, if you had an Olds V-8 under the hood, you had the hot ticket in town. Olds is credited with the first-ever overhead V-8 engines, and they grew to 455-inches along the way.

Chrysler 318: The 318 powered everything Chrysler

Corp. produced, from trucks to its mid- and larger-size passenger cars for many a decade. They even used the engine for a slant six, basically cutting it in half. The Slant 6 lived on from the early 1960s to the '80s.

Rambler Rebel V-8: Back in 1957, Rambler introduced its first "factory muscle car," called the Rebel V-8. It came in silver, with silver and black upholstery and a new V-8 that put out 255 horses from a 327-inch design. A four speed or automatic were available.

Dodge/Plymouth 413-440: Chrysler's wedge-style engines were more drivable on streets than the Hemi and produced an easy 375 to 425 horsepower in factory trim.

Cadillac 472-500: These torque-laden engines powered the Cadillac from 1968 through 1976, with the 1975-76 500-incher one of the largest V-8 designs ever offered by the luxury car maker.

I'm sure I missed a few, so how about you readers letting us know which V-8 engines you feel should be nominated?

Write to Greg Zyla in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send an e-mail to letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

Guzzlers

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driving. Many advocates for hybrids think they will have the most impact on SUVs and trucks where poor fuel economy is often seen as a social embarrassment.

A hybrid battery is often under warranty for at least eight years. "A lot of people are concerned about replacing a hybrid battery but you probably won't ever need to buy a new one," says Davis. "Nobody knows yet how long they will last, but Toyota has been selling hybrids for almost a decade now and

very few have needed their batteries replaced."

All the benefits of a traditional vehicle. Davis says that driving a hybrid is just the same as driving a traditional vehicle. Power, comfort and handling are the same, and the cars require no unusual maintenance.

These cars will save you money. "A hybrid sticker price is about 10 percent more than a gas vehicle, but if you plan to own the vehicle for at least four years, you could easily save that in gas," says Davis. Because an

electric engine can go from zero to maximum power instantly, hybrids can shut down the gasoline engine when stopped at a light without affecting acceleration when you need it. Overall, you will probably burn about one-third less fuel with a hybrid.

Good for the environment. You not only burn less gas, you will burn it more cleanly. Hybrid emissions exceed all federal and state requirements. "They beat any gasoline-powered vehicle. They are amazingly

clean, and they emit less greenhouse gases," says Davis. "You can feel good driving one."

It will only get better. Over the next 12 months there will be a number of new hybrid models coming on the market. "We are moving out of the experimental phase," says Davis. "Hybrids are here to stay."

For more hybrid road test information, visit the Web site pbs.org/motorweek.

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This car's a clear winner

By Bruce Hotchkiss

Believe it or not, it's new model time and one of the first out of the gate is Chrysler's all-new Chrysler 300, Chrysler's first rear-wheel-drive car in a long, long time. It is a clear winner, an unbelievable car.

Rear-wheel-drive allowed Chrysler to alter the overall profile of the vehicle for luxury and performance proportions. Most notable are a longer hood and front fenders, short front overhang, improved ride and handling and an impressive stance that comes with the tires pushed to the corners.

I drove a Chrysler 300 Touring with a 3.5-liter, SOHC, 24-valve, 250 horsepower V6 engine for a week. I also drove a 300 C with the 5.7-liter Hemi, OHV, 340 horsepower V8 at Mazda Raceway at Laguna Seca. The Chrysler Group has developed, and will be the first to offer, Multi-Displacement System (MDS) on a modern, large

volume vehicle in North America. MDS seamlessly alternates between smooth, high fuel economy four-cylinder mode when less power is needed, and V-8 mode when more power from the 5.7-liter Hemi engine is in demand.

The 300 Touring is a very nice car. The 3.5-liter V6 (there is a base 2.7-liter V6 as well) is a competent engine. The two V6s are coupled with a four-speed automatic transmission, while the Hemi transmits its power through a five-speed automatic. Both the V6s are Ultra-Low Emission Vehicles. All-Wheel-Drive is available on the 300 Touring and 300 Limited with the 3.5-liter high-output engine, as well as the 5.7-liter Hemi powered Chrysler 300C but with the standard traction control I really can't see why anyone would need the extra weight of AWD. Electronic Stability Program (ESP), All-Speed Traction Control, advanced anti-lock brake

systems and tire technologies have reached new levels of performance.

Make no mistake, the 300 is a large car. It is 196.8 inches long, 74.1 inches wide and weighs between 3,721 and 4,046 pounds depending on engine and equipment. It felt much lighter driving it (which is pretty amazing).

Styling is controversial and controversial works — it means no one will mistake the 300 for anything else. Controversial is better than bland — ask GM about bland and the new GTO, the car no one sees. I think it looks kind of like the Green Hornet's car, Black Beauty. Others likened it to a gangster car. It's square, squat, and just a bit menacing. All it needs is suicide doors to complete the picture.

Even the base 300 is equipped nicely. It has all the features you would expect for a car that is intended for the import buyer. Early sales figures

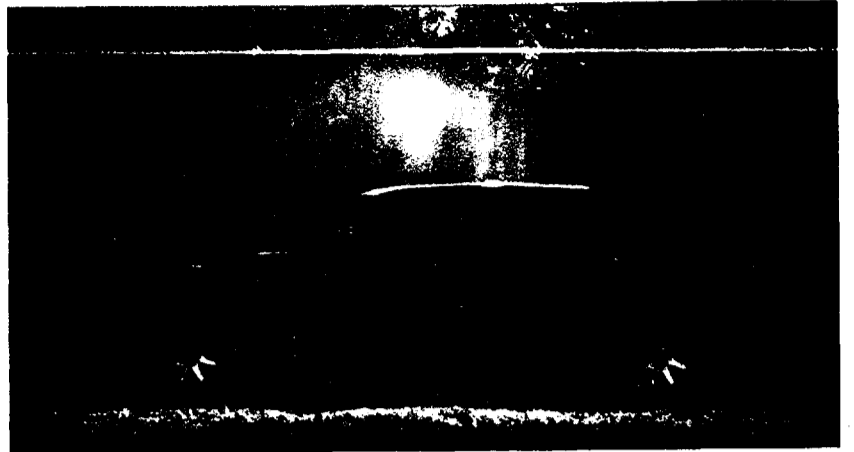


Photo courtesy of Chrysler Internet Media

The 2005 Chrysler 300.

show that it is succeeding in conquest sales. A very high number of buyers traded in an Audi, BMW, Lexus, or Mercedes-Benz. That must have confused a few Chrysler dealers.

The test car, a 300 Touring, was very well equipped. The interior was a nice compromise of over-the-top American and understated European. All in all, a

very comfortable automobile.

There were few options, and I wouldn't turn down any of them. There was a Protection Group that included side curtain air bags, cabin air filtering system, and self-sealing, P215/65R17 all-season tires. Throw in a killer sound system including satellite digital radio, and power adjustable pedals and you've

got a complete package.

The 300 base price starts at \$23,595 and goes up to \$32,995 without options. The test car listed for \$30,330. The base engine is rated a 21-mpg city and 28-mpg highway; the 3.5 at 19/27; and the Hemi at 17/25. I say go with the Hemi, there's a rumor that the CHP will.

— AutoWire

Gas sippers take on the gas guzzlers

(ARA) — As millions of Americans hit the road this summer, most will have one common thought in mind: how much is gas going to cost on this trip? Vacation travel increases during warmer months, and already high fuel prices will likely remain so with this seasonal demand. Consumers may find their summer vacation budgets suddenly stretched to the limit.

Motorists can't control the cost of gas, but they can control the type of vehicle they drive. Big thirsty SUVs, so comfortable for family trips, don't seem as ideal when filling the tank. What if families could get the comfort without paying for all that gas?

Now they can. Hybrids, cars that combine gas and electric power, have come a long way in the last few years. Those currently available offer all the comfort and convenience of a traditional vehicle and manufacturers are introducing more technologically advanced models all the time.

"Next year we are going to be drowning in hybrids," says John Davis, executive producer of the award-winning PBS automotive magazine show, "MotorWeek." Davis predicts that within five years, hybrids will make up 15 percent of the total automobile market — about 2 million a year.

Yet many consumers are still dubious about giving up their gas-powered vehicles.

Davis has test-driven all of the available hybrids and gives them high marks. He offers the following guidance for consumers interested in making the leap to the new technology.

• Not all hybrids are the same. Although they all combine gas and electric power, they may use the combination in different ways. Some hybrids only use gas until they need an extra boost, and then the electric power jumps in. Others use gas and electric power together at all times. "A full or strong hybrid, like the Toyota Prius, is a car that can run on gas or electric power or both," says Davis. "Don't tell me two engines aren't better than one."

• Mileage estimates may

vary. Davis cautions that the mileage quoted by hybrid manufacturers is from government tests, and is seldom what the average driver experiences. The government tests cars under perfect conditions, so real-world driving often doesn't match up. However, Davis says that a hybrid like the Prius will get 42 to 45 miles per gallon in combined city and highway driving, a vast improvement over a mid-size gas-only car.

This summer Ford will begin selling its new Escape Hybrid, the first hybrid SUV. Preliminary tests show that the Escape Hybrid is capable of more than 35 miles per gallon in routine

See GUZZLERS, page 19A



Top V-8 engines of all-time

Q. Greg, what do you feel are the top 10 V-8 engines of all-time? I'm not just looking for high-performance, but engines that changed things in the auto world.

— Ben P., e-mail from Pennsylvania.

A. Ben, that's a tough one, but here goes: In no specific order, here they are:

• Ford Flathead V-8: This engine propelled so many early Ford models, from the '32 Ford to the '53 models, and even to '54 in Canadian-built Fords and Mercurys. It sure rates a spot on the top 10.

• Chrysler Hemi: Chrysler produced its initial engine with hemispherical-shaped combustion chambers in 1951 in sizes of 301, 331, 354

See Cruisin', page 19A

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'Shot parties' becoming craze for college kids

Shot parties are nothing new on college campuses, but the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan has rewritten the concept into an event designed to protect kids before they go off to college.

This type of "shot" isn't alcohol, but rather a life-saving vaccination for bacterial meningitis, a potentially fatal disease that can cause death or permanent disability in as little as two hours.

The "Shot Party" concept is simple: Vaccinate students before they go away to college, and make it fun by encouraging their friends to join them for an hour at one person's house while a visiting nurse administers the shot.

"We have two "shot" parties already scheduled," said

Kay Renny, RN, BSN, VNA of Southeast Michigan Manager of Community Programs. "We hope this concept becomes infectious. Spread the vaccine, not the disease."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) encourages parents and students to learn about bacterial meningitis and the vaccine that can help prevent it. College freshman living in dorms are six times more likely to get the disease which affects 2,400-3,000 people annually. In the past six years, at least six students have died from bacterial meningitis on college campuses in Michigan.

"Not all doctors' offices carry the vaccine," said Renny. "Many students have told us of their difficulty in

locating a place to get their shot. The fact that we travel to your house makes it convenient."

Denise Copp of Bloomfield Hills didn't know of the vaccine when her 19-year-old son, Trevor, attended Georgia Institute of Technology in 1999.

Complaining of a low fever and sensitivity to light, he went to the hospital at 8 p.m. Seven hours later, the hospital pronounced him dead.

"Don't think it can ever happen to you," said Copp. "Don't ever let it happen to you. Make sure your son or daughter gets immunized before going to college."

To arrange for a "shot" party, contact Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan at (248) 967-8755. Shots are \$85 each. A minimum of 15 students is required for a nurse to come to your home. Individual vaccinations are also available by appointment at VNA's office at 25900 Greenfield Road, suite 600, Oak Park.

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan is the state's largest, independent nonprofit home health care and hospice organization serving residents of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe and Livingston counties.

Safety

From page 11A

Tuesday, July 20, and 4:25 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21.

Unknown perp

An unknown person got into a house in the 2200 block of Hollywood with a key sometime between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21.

Nothing was taken from the house, but a roll of paper towels was moved from one part of the kitchen to another, and the unknown visitor helped himself or herself to some soda.

A key the homeowner never saw was left in the front door.

— Bonnie Capra



Photo by Brad Lindberg

Fowl weather gear

Cement eagles guarding at the entrance to Neff Park remind City of Grosse Pointe boaters using the new marina to dress for safety.

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION to be held TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2004

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, City of Grosse Pointe, City of Grosse Pointe Farms, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County and Lake Township-Macomb County on Tuesday, August 3, 2004 at 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time qualified registered voters may vote for the following:

- Representative in Congress
- Prosecuting Attorney
- County Clerk
- Register of Deeds
- Delegate to County Convention
- Representative in State Legislature
- Sheriff
- County Treasurer
- County Commissioner
- Judge of Circuit Court Non-Incumbent Position Vote 1

And, in Township of Grosse Pointe-Wayne County and Lake Township-Macomb County

- Township Supervisors
- Township Clerks
- Township Trustees
- Township Treasurers

(AND)

PROPOSALS

COUNTY PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL Q BALLOT ADVISORY QUESTIONS

Shall Section 3.115 of the Wayne County Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the County Commission may place advisory questions on the ballot?

Yes _____ No _____

PROPOSAL R REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONER FOR CAUSE

Shall Section 3.115 of the Wayne County Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that a commissioner may be removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the County Commission for conviction or admission of a felony, and be disqualified from running for or holding a county office for 3 years; and to provide that a commissioner may be removed from office by a 4/5 vote for a misfeasance or malfeasance of office or for moving out of the district?

Yes _____ No _____

AND, IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE GROSSE POINTE WOODS CITY CODE, CHAPTER 50, ENTITLED LIQUOR & TAVERN LICENSES

TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS C/TAVERN LICENSES AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION IN GROSSE POINTE WOODS FROM SEVEN TO ELEVEN.

The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council has proposed an amendment to Chapter 50 which controls the issuance of Class C/Tavern Licenses. Section 50-2 currently states that no more than six (6) Class C Licenses can be issued or approved for use. Section 50-3 states that no more than one (1) tavern license can be issued or approved for use. Accordingly, the ordinance currently allows a total of seven (7) Class C/Tavern Licenses to be issued or approved for use. All seven are currently in use.

Should Sections 50-2 and 50-3 be combined into one new Section 50-2 to allow for a total of eleven (11) Class C/Tavern Licenses to be issued or approved for use?

Yes _____ No _____

AND, IN THE VILLAGES OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, MACOMB AND WAYNE COUNTIES, MICHIGAN.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS BOND PROPOSITION

Shall the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, Macomb and Wayne Counties, Michigan, borrow an amount not to exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, for the purpose of paying the costs of acquiring and constructing public improvements consisting of street and curb improvements, water system improvements, storm sewer and sanitary sewer improvements, sidewalk improvements and street light improvements? The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, is 20 years; the estimated millage that will be levied to pay the proposed bonds in the first year that the levy is authorized is 0.6772 mills (which is equal to \$0.6772 per \$1,000 of taxable value of real and personal property in the Village); and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the bonds is 0.6213 mills.

Yes _____ No _____

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Polling Locations for said General Election are as follows:

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Precinct	Location
001	Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002	Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003	City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004	Kerby School, 285 Kerby Road
005	Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

Precinct	Location
All	Maire School Gymnasium, 740 Cadieux

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK

Precinct	Location
001	Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex
002	Trombly School, Beaconsfield & Essex
003	Municipal Building, East Jefferson
004	Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham
005	Defer School, Kercheval & Nottingham
006	Defer School, Kercheval & Nottingham
007	Pierce School, Kercheval & Nottingham

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS

Precinct	Location
001	Ferry School, 748 Roslyn Road
002	Mason School, 1640 Vernier Road
003	First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier Road
004	City Hall Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza
005	Montieth School, 1275 Cook Road
006	Barnes School, 20090 Morningside

TOWNSHIP OF GROSSE POINTE

Precinct	Location
All	Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

LAKE TOWNSHIP

Precinct	Location
All	Edsel & Eleanor Ford Gatehouse, 1100 Lake Shore

Name	Address	Phone
Shane L. Reeside	City Manager/City Clerk City of Grosse Pointe Farms 90 Kerby Road 885.6600	
Julle Arthurs	City Clerk City of Grosse Pointe 17147 Maumee 885.5800	
Robert Graziani	Township Clerk Township of Grosse Pointe - Wayne County 795 Lake Shore 884-0234	
Jane Blahut	City Clerk City of Grosse Pointe Park 15115 East Jefferson 882.6200	
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Raymond Suwinski	Township Clerk Lake Township - Macomb County 795 Lake Shore 881-6565	

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN. Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on August 3, 2004 from 7:00 A.M. to 8 P.M. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:

- Representative in Congress 13th District (1)
- Representative in State Legislature 1st District (1)
- Prosecuting Attorney (1)
- Sheriff (1)
- County Clerk (1)
- County Treasurer (1)
- Register of Deeds (1)
- County Commissioner (1)
- Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd Circuit (1)

and to vote on the following proposals:

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Yes _____ No _____

The Election will be conducted at the following places:

PRECINCT NO.	LOCATION	ADDRESS
1, 2,	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
3	City Hall	19617 Harper
4,	Tyrone School	19525 Tyrone
5, 6	Poupart School	20655 Lennon

For additional information - please call (313)343-2510

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
Mickey D. Todd,

CITY CLERK

Kelly Ralph Darnell

Kelly Ralph Darnell 89 died on Monday, July 19, 2004, at St. John Hospital following a brief illness. He was born to Maude and Kelly Darnell on June 3, 1915, in Church Hill, Tenn.

He was educated in Tennessee and Virginia and studied law in Portland, Ore. His 15 minutes of fame came on Oct. 12, 1937, when his surgeon, John Shelton Reed, M.D., of Kingsport, Tenn., and he received national news coverage for becoming the world's sixth person on whom a successful open heart surgical procedure was performed.

After recovering, he and his wife and daughter relocated to Portland, Ore., where he was employed building ships to be used in World War II. After the war ended, he returned to Tennessee where he resided until moving to Ohio to work for United States Steel for many years. He moved to the Detroit area in 1965 and was employed by Heublien Corp.

Mr. Darnell is survived by his daughter, Phyllis Darnell Harmon (John); grandson, Mark Harmon of Grosse Pointe; and nephews, Paul and Carl Bradsher of Norfolk, Va. He was predeceased by his wife of 42 years, Leah, who died in 1976, and later by his second wife, Eva; brother, Reese Alexander Darnell; and sister, Cleo Darnell Bradsher.

Memorial services were held at Verheyden Funeral Home on July 22.

Memorial contributions may be made to Life Skills VTC, 16460 East 13 Mile Rd., Roseville, MI 48066.

John F. DeHayes Sr.

John F. DeHayes Sr., 84, died on Wednesday, June 30, 2004, at his home in Grosse Pointe Shores. He was born on Dec. 13, 1919, in Detroit to Frances and Louis DeHayes.

Mr. DeHayes graduated from the University of Detroit High School and the Detroit Business Institute. He also earned a bachelor's degree in commerce and finance from the University of San Francisco while serving in the 12th Naval District during World War II.

As a lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe, Mr. DeHayes was an original founding member of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, and also served on its first finance committee, was president of its Holy Name Society and chairman of the Archdiocese Development Foundation now known as the C.S.A.

Mr. DeHayes started his business career as a co-owner of Sterling Coal Co. with his brother. As a whole-sale/retail coal and oil busi-



John F. DeHayes Sr.

ness, the company grew to a total of seven operations during which time he also owned Lujon Corp., a land development company.

After selling the Sterling Coal Co., he bought D.J. Healy Co. which was an upscale, high-fashion retail women's wear and furnishings company headquartered on Woodward Avenue. He served as CEO until he sold his interest to his brother. Later, and until ill health forced retirement, he spent 20 years in the investment business with the brokerage firm formerly known as Manley, Bennett and McDonald. Concurrently, he served on the board of directors for Drewry's Ltd., Pfeiffer Brewing Co., The Associated Breweries and the Continental Associates (the old Continental Bank).

Mr. DeHayes was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for more than 58 years and served as commodore in 1968. He was also a past member of Lochmoor Club, the Detroit Institute of Arts Founders Society, the St. John Hospital Guild, the Second Chance Heart Foundation, the Jefferson Educational Association, the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, the Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Foundation and the Maritime Association.

Mr. DeHayes enjoyed socializing with friends and family, golf and even recorded a hole-in-one.

Mr. DeHayes is survived by his wife of 58 years, Jeanette; daughter, Jeanette Waggoner (Peter); and son, John F. DeHayes Jr. (Jennifer); grandchildren, Tambre Tedesco (Joseph), Donald E. DelPlace III, Mickey E. DelPlace (Thuong), Jacquelyn DeHayes, Jamie DeHayes, Jill DeHayes, and Jenna DeHayes; great-grandchildren, Joey Tedesco, Jacob Tedesco, and Andrew DelPlace.

He was predeceased by son Jeffrey L. DeHayes.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at Our Lady Star of

the Sea Catholic Church on July 3.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Hospital Cardiac Care or St. John Guild, 22101 Moross, Detroit, MI 48236.

Louis DeTine

Louis DeTine, 80, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, died on Friday, July 16, 2004, in Denver, Colo.

He was born to Jack and Nellie Mae DeTine on Dec. 24, in Buffalo, N.Y.

Mr. DeTine attended school in Buffalo and graduated from South Park High School in 1941. In December 1942 he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was a 1st Lieutenant and fought in the European theater during World War II as a P47 fighter pilot.

He graduated from the University of Buffalo with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, and was employed for many years with Parke Davis/Warner Lambert Pharmaceutical.

Mr. DeTine is survived by his wife of 56 years, Elizabeth; his children, Gregory, Paula Elias, Michelle, Kimberly (John) DeMarco, Pamela Calder, Elizabeth, Timothy (Maureen), Claudia (Scott) Ward, Collette (Nick) DiCinto, Patrick (Silvia); 12 grandchildren; two brothers; and one sister.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on July 20, at Olinger's Hampden Chapel followed by full military honors at Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the In Defense of Animals, 131 Camino Alto, Suite E, Mill Valley, CA 94941.

Dorothy Dhooge Russell

Dorothy Dhooge Russell, 93, died on Monday, July 5, 2004, in Solana Beach, Calif. She was born to Matilda and Bert Herschback on Nov. 27, 1910, in Detroit and graduated from high school in 1928.

Mrs. Russell spent many years as a homemaker taking care of her two children.

After raising two children, she was widowed with the sudden death of her husband Vic. Living in Grosse Pointe Farms at the time, Mrs. Russell became an active member of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and traveled around the world with her many friends including Florence Negro, whose daughter, Mary Lou, married Mrs. Russell's son, Victor. She was a member and volunteer at St. James Lutheran Church.

In 1975 she married Laurence E. Russell, who when his wife Ann was alive, played golf, bridge and traveled with the Dhooges. They moved to Rancho Santa Fe, California, to be closer to her son Vic and his family.

The children of the Russell / Dhooge family all went to Grosse Pointe High School; the sons played in junior tennis tournaments together; so this marriage became not only a marriage between two close friends, but also two close extended families that continue to grow.

Once in Rancho Santa Fe, they quickly made friends, with whom they enjoyed playing golf and traveling.

Mrs. Russell loved her family and was always willing to baby-sit, bake cookies, go fishing, and travel to her grandchildren's sporting

events. Upon learning of his grandmother's passing, Michael Russell, her protennis playing grandson dedicated his last tournament win to her.

Mrs. Russell is survived by her daughter, Sue Everett; son, Vic Dhooge; step-daughter, Linda Wierzbicki; stepson, George Russell; grandchildren, Becky and Brian Dhooge, Craig, Scott and B.J. Everett, Mike and David Russell, and four Wierzbicki grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on July 18, with her Dhooge and Russell children and her many friends.

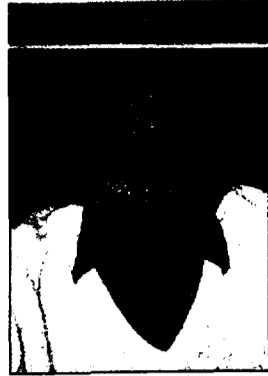
Memorial contributions may be made to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Howard P. Wiles

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Howard "Howie" P. Wiles, 81, of Hudson Fla., died Wednesday, July 21, 2004.

Mr. Wiles was born on May 8, 1923, and was raised in Detroit. He joined the U.S. Army and was a decorated veteran of World War II. Mr. Wiles was awarded three Purple Heart medals for injuries sustained in France and Germany during 1944 and 1945. He was captured by the Germans in 1945, for which he was awarded a Prisoner of War medal, and was liberated by the Russian army in Poland that summer. He was awarded numerous other medals, including one for good conduct.

Following his discharge, he returned to Michigan and started an office supply business that catered to downtown Detroit businesses by offering supplies by



Howard P. Wiles

courier service. He sold the business during the 1970s but continued to work in office supply retail for many years. He was an active member of the Detroit Yacht Club and the Beauty Post of the American Legion in Detroit.

He and his wife, Beverly, moved to Roswell, Ga., in 1985 to be closer to their only child, Susan, and her family. He enjoyed bowling and golf, and he regularly volunteered his time at PGA tournaments. A solitary aficionado, he wore out many a pack of playing cards with this pastime.

Mr. Wiles is survived by his daughter, Susan Wiles Johnson; son-in-law, Don Johnson; grandchildren, Craig Oliver and Paige Oliver Taylor; and great-granddaughter, Mackenzie Taylor. He was predeceased by his wife, Beverly Jean Wiles.

Following a private service, the family will honor his military service with burial at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Wiles' name to St. Joseph's Hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

Bird expert speaks out for mute swan

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

It was a mute swan. Not a trumpeter swan.

"The thing that stood out was the bill," said Bill Rapai, president of the Grosse Pointe Audubon Society. ("Yes," Rapai said with something of a sigh, "I'm a bird watcher.")

When Rapai saw a photo on page 8A of the July 22 Grosse Pointe News of a swan resting on the front lawn of South High School, the outline identified the graceful guest as a trumpeter swan.

"A trumpeter swan has a completely black bill, except for a touch of yellow by the eye," Rapai said.

But that's not what was pictured.

The graceful white bird resting on the landscaped grounds fronting South's Georgian architecture had a

lighter-colored bill.

"A mute swan has an orange bill with black by the eye," Rapai said.

OK. But what was the swan doing away from its normal lakeside habitat?

"The bird could have been ill or just resting," Rapai said. "Those were the first things that came to mind when seeing it out of its habitat."

The next meeting of the Grosse Pointe Audubon Society is Monday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the community room of the Children's Home of Detroit, 900 Cook Road in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Scheduled speaker is Dr. Dave Ewert of The Nature Conservancy.

"He's done research on Kirtland's warbler, Michigan's well-known endangered species of bird," Rapai said.

He said Kirtland's warblers are found in the jack pines of northern Michigan, such as near Mio and Grayling.

Lake levels

The following lake levels as of July 23 are offered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

All of the Great Lakes are currently higher than the levels of a year ago. Presently, Lake Michigan-Huron is experiencing the greatest difference from last year's level, with a 14-inch increase. Lake St. Clair is 8 inches higher than a year ago, while the remaining lakes are 2 to 5 inches higher than last year's levels. Lakes Superior, Michigan-Huron, and St. Clair remain below average, however, with current levels at 5, 9, and 2 inches below average, respectively.

Lake Michigan-Huron is approaching its seasonal peak this month, while Lakes St. Clair, Erie and Ontario will continue their seasonal decline. Lakes St. Clair and Erie are expected to decline 3 inches, and Lake Ontario is predicted to drop 6 inches over the next month.

PET POINTER OF INTEREST

Brandy

Breed: Sheltie-mix.

Residence: Brandy has lived in Grosse Pointe Woods for 11 years with his owner, and best friend, Steve.

Siblings: A cat named J.R. — he's a tiger.

Favorite pastimes: Taking early morning walks with Steve and J.R., helping Steve with his work in the garden, and greeting neighbors and friends. Brandy is especially proud of her unchallenged title of "Frisbee Catcher Queen" of the neighborhood.

If you would like to submit your "Pet Pointer of Interest," deliver or mail a typed outline and photograph to the Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or e-mail to postmaster@grossepointenews.com (photos must be high resolution).



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Letters

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board voted to approve construction of the science lab at Grosse Pointe North High School, without seriously considering the operational costs of the new facility. Disappointing, because I thought the ousting of Steve Matthews on June 14 would have sent a clear message to his fellow board members that Grosse Pointers are demanding fiscal responsibility and accountability from the board.

Thank you new board members Angela Kennedy and Ahmed Ismail for finally questioning the use/misuse of our money.

The operational costs of staffing, maintenance, desks, heat, electricity and

lab equipment are not included in our \$10 million lab. Isn't our district facing a \$2 million deficit? Where, Mr. Chris Fenton, will the money come from to pay for the operational costs of this project? I think that's an obvious (though not to all of our board members) and fair question that demands an answer.

Mrs. Joan Dindoffer, Mr. Joseph Brennan, Mr. Jeff Broderick, Mrs. Joan Richardson, and Mrs. Lisa Vreede, remember, you only buy a Corvette if you can afford the gas. Hopefully, the two new board members we elect next year will keep that in mind as they're spending our money.

Mary Ellen Kaiser
Grosse Pointe Park

Water

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operate and maintain a filtration plant.

"The study could say the Detroit Water Department is giving us a great deal," Hunt said.

If not, it's on to phase three.

"Phase three is going to finalize the cost of everything," Rose said.

At this stage things stop being cut and dry. Participants will start forging ownership, management and pricing agreements that could have political overtones, particularly for small-

er members.

Rose compared the study process to comparison shopping.

"Every once in a while you have to check around to see what else is available," he said. "We all buy water from Detroit. It doesn't hurt to see if there's an alternative that might be cheaper. Not only cheaper, but you might have more control of your own destiny."

Maybe it's a farfetched idea. Maybe not.

"We're excited," Hunt said. "But we have to wait and see what the study says."

Shores

From page 1A

had trouble getting a certified trainer here. We get the newest thing out there and find out they don't have instructors."

Woods police turned to Grosse Pointe Shores, the Pointes' smallest department. The Shores' version of a Jaws is called a Phoenix Extraction tool.

"She wasn't critically wounded," said Shores PSO Ronald Coste. "We had time to take the door off and gain access."

Last week, Shores officers trained with their Jaws outside Village hall.

"We practice using the Jaws of Life to take subjects out of vehicles," said Steve Poloni, department director.

Officers cut and ripped through three clunkers a towing company donated for the refresher course.

"You can see the power of the jaws when it tears away the metal like butter," said PSO Jason Reingert. "It's incredible watching them tear."

"We work with officers on gaining access to a vehicle that's been involved in a bad accident," said Lt. David Younk, in charge of training.

Officers first stabilize the vehicle and then stabilize the patient.

"If we have to, we use the

Jaws of Life to gain entry to the vehicle and safely remove the patient to get to the hospital," Younk said.

Jaws of Life weighs 35 pounds and cuts with a force of 45,000 pounds per square inch.

"The guys train with the equipment once per month," Younk said. "They do maintenance once per week. Everybody gets hands-on with each piece of equipment once per week."

The exercise outside village hall had its own language.

"Cribbing" a crashed car or truck means stabilizing it. Officers stabilize wrecks by puncturing tires and letting the vehicle rest on its metal rims.

"Flapping the roof" means peeling back the roof to treat and extract trapped occupants.

"We won't flap the roof until the glass is removed," Younk said.

Officers last week also practiced putting out vehicle fires.

"We're burning vehicles to test new foam," Poloni said. "It's an advanced fire aid product that extinguishes the fire and keeps it out."

Foam is stored in the fire truck and mixed with water, like attaching a container of insecticide to a garden hose.

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with him and his buddies, he was over at her house hanging out with her gal pals in the pool or at one of her softball games.

Then there was the social event of the year for the middle schoolers: a week-end-long fair in a neighboring city. There was no doubt Valerie would be his date for those three days.

But Valerie became mysteriously unavailable. Instead of wanting to go to the fair, she told Ben she was going to a girlfriend's house. When he and another friend showed up at Valerie's girlfriend's house, she was not there.

"I don't know where she could've gone," Ben said when he came home.

This time, I was the one without a clue.

The next day, Ben found out from about five people that Valerie was spotted at

the fair hand-in-hand with a new beau. He went to the fair to see for himself and called me as soon as I got in the door after dropping him off.

"Mom!" he said. "She's here with Brad!"

I was sure my heart was broken as his. I asked if he wanted to come home. He said, "No."

I barely saw Ben that weekend. When I picked him up from the fireworks finale the last night of the fair, he told me he had the best weekend of his life.

"It was great!" Ben said. "Joey was there, and so was Rob, and Sam, and a new kid, and... oh, I had three pieces of pizza and went on the Gravitron five times in a row. I stopped when I felt like I had to throw up!"

I guess I wasn't the only one with a queasy feeling in my stomach that weekend after all.

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Engagements

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**Kari Coyne and
Aaron Michael**

Coyne- Michael

Jean and Terry Coyne of Rochester Hills have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kari Coyne, to Aaron Michael, son of Nancy Rice of Grosse Pointe Woods and Jay Michael of Terre Verde, Fla. An August wedding is planned.

Coyne earned a Bachelor of Science degree in information systems from Oakland University.

She is a Web application specialist.

Michael earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in finance from Michigan State University. He works for Penske Corp.



**Brad Walling and
Emily Nielubowicz**

Nielubowicz- Walling

David and Christine Nielubowicz of Grosse Pointe Woods have announced the engagement of their daughter, Emily Nielubowicz, to Brad Walling, son of James and Jane Walling of Grosse Pointe Woods.

A July 2005 wedding is planned.

Nielubowicz earned a degree in interior design from Oakland Community College.

Walling earned a Bachelor of Science degree in packaging from Michigan State University.



**Robert Backlund
and Renee Roper**

Roper- Backlund

Paul and Cindy Roper of Lake Orion have announced the engagement of their daughter, Renee Roper, to Robert Backlund, son of Steven Backlund of Chesterfield and Becky Shanley of St. Clair Shores. A May wedding is planned.

Roper graduated from Oakland University with a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology.

Backlund graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and Western Michigan University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He is a police officer in Madison Heights.

Pride of the Pointes

Katie Reinholz of Grosse Pointe Woods graduated from the University of Michigan Dearborn with a BBA from the School of Management. She majored in financial accounting and reporting.

Annie Reinholz of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the U-M Dearborn dean's list for the fall and winter terms for her studies in French and secondary education. She also received a first-place award for the Advanced French Convocation.

The following Grosse Pointers graduated from the University of Michigan in June: Ann Brenner, Daniel Clark, Charles Dabrowski (with distinction), Robert Dindoffer, Nicole Hall, Maria Komissarova (with highest distinction), Steven Seyler, Robert Sharrow, Maria Simon (with distinction), Laura Butler, Cori Chase (with high distinction), Kathryn Critchell, Christopher D'Angelo, Brandon Dobbins, Noel Egnatios (with distinction), Adam Fishman (with high distinction), Glenn Hawk, Robert Hynds, Michael Kasiborski (with distinction), Massoud Kazzi (with distinction), Shyla Kinhal (with highest distinction), Kristen Klanow, Amy Lee

(magna cum laude), Diana Mager, Laura Main, Justin Mitchelson (with distinction), Lindsey Morgan, Peter Panagopoulos, Caroline Scott, Mark Seppala, Adam Southard, Kari Stander (with distinction), Michelle Weatherup, Jason White (with distinction), Maureen Wimsatt and Christy Zalewski.

Grosse Pointer Alexander D. Keim earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in archeology, cum laude, from Boston University.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Eric Rey, a first-year student at Wittenberg University, has been selected for membership in Phi Eta Sigma, a national honor society that recognizes scholarship among first-year college men. He is the son of Anthony and Janice Rey and is a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity and Emerging Leaders.

Elizabeth Moran of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the dean's list for the fall and winter semesters at Indiana University. She will do a student teaching assignment in Auckland, New Zealand, in the fall.

Audrene S. Apostolos and Joseph Wernet, both

Grosse Pointers, earned bachelor's degrees from Northern Michigan University.

Mark B. Brammer of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the dean's list at Adrian College for the spring semester. He is the son of Rick and Gretchen Brammer. He is also a member of the football team, the college choir and Theta Chi fraternity.

Patrick C. Ryan of the City of Grosse Pointe earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Boston College.

Elizabeth J. Auty of Grosse Pointe Farms earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from Boston College's Carolyn A. and Peter S. Lynch School of Education.

Emily M. Ross, daughter of Brendan and Nancy Ross of Grosse Pointe Park, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kenyon College. She graduated with a double major in chemistry and German, and she earned distinction on her senior exercise in chemistry and was named to Kenyon's chapter of Sigma Xi, a national scientific research society.

The following Grosse

Pointers were named to the spring honors list at Central Michigan University: Michael S. Berschback, Rebecca A. Coles, Susanna M. Klimek, Jenna K. McLeod, Christina M. Ventimiglia, Lauren E. Handley, Jessica J. Belcoure, Trevor R. Clor, Monique Brideau, Kathryn R. Longley, Samantha A.

Meredith and Amy E. Warren.

Meghan Gavin Robson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Robson of Grosse Pointe Farms, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and political science from Brown University.

Navy Ensign Lauren A.

Warren, daughter of Patricia A. and Lawrence A. Warren of Grosse Pointe Farms, and Navy Ensign Margaret E. Sweeny, daughter of Candace L. and Donald N. Sweeny of Grosse Pointe Farms, recently graduated from the United States Naval Academy and were commissioned to their current rank in the United States Navy.



Sunrise Rotary awards scholarships

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club presented 13 scholarships to graduating seniors on May 18.

The students are Antonio Greene and Randy Conover of Loyola High School; Shauna Lathan of Wayne State University; Mallory Miller and Brad Johnson of Grosse Pointe South High School; Lindsay Potthoff and Alexandria Brzozowski of Grosse Pointe North High School; Megan Maestri and Amanda Mussen of Lutheran East High School; and Ebony Hicks, Carla Mitchell and Swanikka Calhoun of Finney High School.

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Features

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Red Cross needs blood to save lives

By Chris Waldmeir
 Special Writer

Blood. You can't live without it. Much like a beating heart, blood is something that the human body cannot survive without. However, we rarely think of it because it does its job without us knowing.

For a 6-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores boy, blood is more than just a bodily fluid. It means his life. Because he has a rare disease called Diamond Blackfan Anemia, he has already had more than 90 blood transfusions – transfusions that are threatened because of the lack of blood being donated to the American Red Cross.

Recently the Red Cross announced a critical shortage in the blood supply across the country. Officials have asked anyone who can donate to do so now because lives, like his, are on the line.

"We are in a national state of emergency," said Andrea Ward, spokesperson for the Red Cross in southeastern Michigan. "We need to let the public know that the blood supply is really low and that we need people to come in and donate."

The Red Cross can operate comfortably on a three-to-five-day supply of blood, but it currently is operating on a slim one-day supply.

"It's certainly well below what we consider a safe inventory," said Ward.

Blood donations run in cycles. Therefore, twice a year, the need for blood outpaces the supply. One time is during the winter, especially around the holidays, and it happens again in the summer. This is caused mostly because during both of those seasons, people change their routines, go on vacation or just forget to donate because they're busy.

"Another reason that shortages occur in the summer is because school is out," said Ward. "University and high schools combine to donate 13 percent of our blood supply. They are very faithful donors, but when you can't reach them it really interrupts the flow."

According to the Red Cross, it is estimated that 250,000 units, or 31,250 gallons of blood were used in southeastern Michigan last year. Helping the Red Cross to collect some of the donations is the mission of the Grosse Pointe Community Blood Council.

The G.P.C.B.C. has been collecting blood for the Red

Cross since 1950. It consists of a group of women from 14 churches located in Grosse Pointe and Detroit. They conduct four blood drives a year, recruiting members of the churches and anyone else in the community who is interested in donating.

"I'm not able to donate myself," said Harriet Kamm, president of the Blood Council and a 32-year member, "so this is my way to do something to help increase the blood supply for the less fortunate. It's important for people to come and donate because they are helping to save lives. A single unit of blood can save three lives."

The Blood Council held a drive at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on Thursday, July 22, and just missed their goal of 100 units, collecting 90 units in 12 hours.

"We thought attendance might be low because it is July," said Kamm. "We had a lot of walk-ins and that is something that we always expect, but can never count on."

During the blood drive, more than 100 people attempted to give blood but some were turned down for a variety of reasons.

"The FDA regulates the Red Cross and they insist that they meet their guidelines when collecting blood," said Ward. "It is possible that only 60 percent of the population could be eligible to donate, and only 5 percent of the population actually does donate."

The mother and son team of Cherie and Michael Way of the City of Grosse Pointe, donated together at the War Memorial.

"We both have a rare blood type whenever a shortage is announced that they need O negative, we always help out," said Cherie Way. She added, "A family that donates together stays together!"

Allen Ledyard, a lifelong Grosse Pointe Farms resident, has been donating at the War Memorial and at other locations for as long as he can remember.

"I donate because it helps other people," said Ledyard. "It's good for people to donate blood periodically so

that their body can regenerate new blood and because it makes you feel good. The reason I'm here has nothing to do with the shortage of blood.

I'm here because there's a blood drive," said Ledyard.

First-time donor Megan Doletzky of the City of Grosse Pointe,

and a recent graduate of University Liggett School, said, "I'm here because I heard that the Red Cross is in need of blood and I had a couple of free hours. So I figured, why not help out? It wasn't bad at all, and the fact that it could save someone's life makes it even more important."

Dr. Anthony Noto, a pathologist and the medical adviser for the Bon Secours and Cottage Hospital blood banks, had much to say about this "phenomenon that occurs every summer."

"We use blood mainly for elective surgeries," said Noto. "We are not a trauma center so we don't use as much blood as St. John Hospital, which is a trauma center."

"The popular thing to do these days for elective surgeries is to donate blood in advance to be used during the patient's own surgery," said Noto. "But not every patient does that."

As a result, Noto said that it is common for some elective surgeries to be postponed until the blood bank has enough supply to safely perform surgical procedures.

"We talk to the surgeons and see if the elective cases can be put off until later, when more blood is available," said Noto.

According to the Red Cross, nationwide someone is in need of blood every three seconds. In the 6-year-old Grosse Pointe Shores boy's case, he needs a transfusion every 21 days. It's not often that you can have this much impact on someone's life. So make an appointment today. Tomorrow you could save someone's life, or possibly even two or three.

For more information visit the Southeastern Michigan Red Cross at www.semredcross.org.



Photos by Chris Waldmeir
 For Megan Doletzky, 18, of the City of Grosse Pointe, donating blood was a new experience. The Red Cross has a critical shortage and needs to collect blood quickly in order to save lives. One pint of blood can save up to three lives. For more information or to find a blood drive near you visit www.semredcross.org.



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SOC Options

Five Ways to Keep Your Mind Sharp

By Sharon Maler
SOC Executive Director

After 20 minutes of searching, you finally find your glasses resting on your forehead. You've gone to the basement three times in hopes of remembering why you went there the first time. You just poured orange juice into your cereal. Are you losing your mind? Probably not.

Memory loss is a common complaint, and it's typically blamed on aging. People fear that memory lapses are signs of what's in store.

Dementia — a mental decline advanced enough to affect daily activities, the most common form of which is Alzheimer's disease — is more than forgetfulness. Only about 10 to 20 percent of people older than 65 get dementia. Most people who occasionally forget things simply have too much on their mind.

Though it's impossible to predict memory loss, you can do your best to prevent it.

Step No. 1: Exercise your mind. Just as physical activity keeps your body strong, mental activity keeps your mind sharp.

If you continue to learn and challenge yourself, your brain continues to grow. Regardless of age, an active brain produces new dendrites — connections between nerve cells that allow cells to communicate with one another. This helps the brain store and retrieve information more easily, no matter what your age.

To challenge yourself:

- Play Scrabble or do crossword puzzles.
- Interact with people.
- Start a new hobby.
- Learn a foreign language.

• Volunteer.

- Stay informed about what's going on in the world.
- Read.

Realizing the importance of learning new things, Services for Older Citizens plans a variety of learning opportunities each month. August is packed full of fun ways to learn new things.

The following presentations offer a way to learn something new and have fun at the same time:

- Bodywork helps your body work better — Monday, Aug. 2, at 11:15 a.m.

Did you know that one massage a month increases the circulation of your blood and lymph fluid and can increase the function of all of your internal organs by 90 percent? Linda Sweet, a natural health therapist of Natural Healthy Balance, will show you how bodywork could be the answer to your physical and emotional issues.

- Flower Arranging from the Pros — Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 11:15 a.m.

Floral designer and com-

pany representative Sharon Peruzzi, of Viviano Flower Shop, will be giving interesting tips about the flowers she uses and great suggestions on what to do with those lovely garden flowers. Her demonstration is 1 1/2 hours.

- Greece in the Past, Present and Future — Monday, Aug. 16.

Vasilis Kosmidis, professor, Wayne State University, will bring this country to life with a multimedia presentation, samplings of a simple Greek dance and backgammon-tavil, a popular Greek board game. Join us and travel from the founding of democracy to the lighting of this year's Olympic torch.

- Travelogue about Greece — Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Travel through this magnificent country and its culture, challenging yourself with puzzles throughout the journey. We'll also meander past the Parthenon, Cyprus and Sicily.

- Eating for your Blood Type — Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 11:15 a.m.

Linda Sweet, a natural health therapist of Natural Healthy Balance will discuss eating according to our blood type for optimal health and well-being.

Step No. 2: Stay physically active. Daily physical activity can help improve blood flow. Some people find it's easier to get motivated when they exercise with a friend. Some choose a favorite pet to accompany them on walks. However you choose to get moving, include these three activities in your routine:

- Aerobic activity: Activities such as brisk walking, bicycling or swimming slow the age-related loss of aerobic capacity — the ability of your heart, lungs and blood vessels to deliver adequate oxygen to your muscles during physical activity. The net result of aerobic activity is increased stamina and endurance. It also can decrease high blood pressure, which may reduce your risk of stroke, heart disease, kidney disease and other related conditions.

- Strength training. Increasing your strength by using weights or elastic resistance bands can slow or even reverse the loss of muscle mass associated with aging. Strength training also can slow bone loss, cut your risk of injury and make you feel more energetic.

- Stretching. Stretching increases the range in which you can bend and stretch joints, muscles and ligaments, helping to decrease stiffness and prevent injury.

SOC offers two different choices in exercise programs.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:45 a.m. exercise includes weight training, aerobics and stretching. The program is geared toward seniors, and everyone works out at his or her own level. The cost is \$2 per class and the first class is free. Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. senior-friendly yoga is offered, which includes stretching, breathing and relaxing, a great addition to your routine.

Step No. 3: Eat, drink and be healthy. Eat a diet rich in fruits and vegetables. These contain antioxidants — substances that protect and nourish brain cells. As an added bonus, these foods may reduce your risk of cancer, high blood pressure, coronary artery disease, diabetes and osteoporosis.

And — you've heard it before — drink water. Water is essential to the human body. Water practically is the human body — making up about 70 percent of your body weight. Lack of water leads to dehydration, which can leave you feeling tired, making it hard to concentrate. So drink up. Here are some tips:

- Take a sip at every drinking fountain you see.
- Fill up a water bottle and keep it close at hand.
- Have a glass of water at lunch instead of soft drinks, coffee or other beverages that may dehydrate you. It's cheaper on the pocketbook and better for your body.

SOC offers a healthy-lunch Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:15 a.m., with a chance to socialize while you add healthy food to your diet.

Step No. 4: Develop a system of reminders and cues.

Information comes at you from all directions all the time. Sometimes it's necessary to take extra steps to remind yourself of what's important. Work through the information overload with these memory triggers:

- Write it down. Keep a diary, use calendars, make lists.
- Establish a routine. Store easy-to-lose items in the same place. Complete tasks in the same order. Change is difficult and takes extra effort.
- Set up cues. For instance, put your keys on the ironing board. That way you're more likely to remember to turn off the iron before walking out the door.

Step No. 5: Take time to remember things. Normal aging changes the brain, which makes your mind slightly less efficient in processing new information.

Forgetfulness may indicate nothing more than having too much on your mind.

Slow down and pay full attention to the task at hand, whatever it may be.



Jazzy fundraiser

The seventh annual Red Heart Blues . . . and all that Jazz fundraiser was held on June 11 at the Ford Motor Company Conference and Event Center in Dearborn.

Lynn and Paul Alandt of Grosse Pointe Shores, Allan Gilmour of Birmingham and Martin "Hoot" McInerney of Bloomfield Hills were honorary chairmen.

Awards recognizing recipients for their commitment and contributions to Henry Ford's Heart & Vascular Institute were presented to Dr. Sidney Goldstein of Bloomfield Hills, Dr. Stephen Smith of Birmingham, AstraZeneca LP and Mado and Dr. Kim Lie of Grosse Pointe Park.

Diamond sponsors for the event were AstraZeneca LP and Ford Motor Co. Dinner sponsors were Stephanie Germack and Patrick Kerzic of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Proceeds will benefit research and treatment for the prevention and cure of cardiovascular diseases.

From left, are event co-chairman Cheryl Lindsay of West Bloomfield, Dr. Kim Lie and his wife, Mado Lie of Grosse Pointe Park, and event chair Judie Sherman of Bloomfield Hills. The Lies received the Phebe Goldstein Award for their community service supporting the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.

Girl Scouts honor local board member

Margaret K. Fitzgerald was awarded the Girl Scout Honor Pin in recognition of her devotion to formulating a marketing plan for the organization and planning and executing two successful Cookie Galas — a venue for showcasing how Girl Scouts assist girls while raising funds to support the organization's life-skills building services.

The Girl Scout Honor Pin is awarded to an adult volunteer who has delivered outstanding service, above and beyond the expectations of his or her position.

Fitzgerald has over 15 years of combined experience in advertising, corporate communications, direct mail and marketing product development. She is currently employed at Allied Integrated Marketing Group where as vice president, she

is responsible for strategic business planning, product development, database management, marketing initiatives, fundraising program development and creative materials development.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Fitzgerald has taken an active role in improving the quality of life for local children. She has been a member of the Girl Scouts of Metro Detroit's Board of Directors for four years and Chair of the Communications and Marketing Committee for two years. She also acts as a consultant and adviser to the Executive Committee at the Children's Center of Detroit.

Fitzgerald received her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University

and her master's degree from the University of Michigan.

She lives in Grosse Pointe Farms.

SOC's August programs

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- One massage a month increases the circulation of your blood and lymph fluid and increases the function of all your internal organs by 90 percent. Learn how Bodywork could be the answer to your physical and emotional issues.

- Bon Secours Pain Clinic — On Wednesday, Aug. 4, at 11:15 a.m. A speaker from Bon Secours Pain Clinic will discuss ways of alleviating pain. A hot lunch will be available at 11 a.m.

Afternoon Tea

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) will present its monthly Afternoon Tea on Tuesday, Aug. 31, from 2 to 3:15 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The theme for August will be "Back Porch Reminiscing" featuring nostalgic "crooner" music sung by entertainer Doug Whittaker and refreshments and tea prepared by Town Village Sterling Heights.

Join other tea enthusiasts for lively entertainment, great food and reminisce about favorite end of the summer memories.

For more information or to make a reservation, call SOC at (313) 882-9600, extension 247.

SOC offers Alzheimer's Awareness, Information Fair

Services for Older Citizens (SOC) will hold an Alzheimer's Awareness Day and Information Fair on Friday, Aug. 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo in the City of Grosse Pointe.

If you or someone you know is providing care to a friend, neighbor or loved one with Alzheimer's disease or dementia, this event is for you.

Families and others affected by Alzheimer's or

related disorders can learn how to manage this progressive disease and its far-reaching effects and get valuable information. Join other families coping with the devastating effects of these diseases in a day filled with helpful advice, educational workshops and resources.

A boxed lunch and refreshments will be available for participants.

For more information or to register, call SOC at (313) 882-9600, extension 247.

How to find free or low-cost prescription drugs

If your medication is too expensive for your budget, information in a new booklet might help.

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C. has published a 48-page booklet, "Free and Low Cost Prescription Drugs 7th Edition."

The booklet gives information on how and where to get free and low-cost prescription drugs.

"Many major drug companies provide free or low-cost medication, but rarely, if ever, publicize the programs," says Gary Nave, director of The Institute. "We've published an A to Z listing of all the drugs that are available through

patient assistance programs, for free or at very low cost, directly from the manufacturer."

To receive a copy, send \$6 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Booklet No. PD-75, P.O. Box 210, Dallas, PA 18612-0210; or visit the Web site institutecdc.org.

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GPAA exhibit

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association will offer a new exhibition, "Passion & Plein Air," featuring the work of three GPAA members: Barbara Carr, Ann Hildebrand and Vince Orbaczewski.

The three artists have been painting together for years.

They have influenced each other and yet maintained their own individuality. The exhibition is open through Saturday, July 31. Admission is free.

The GPAA art center is at 1005 Maryland in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 882-0744.

Here's a mid-summer delight

It's hard to believe that summer is half over. Optimists will say that we still have half of the summer left to enjoy. I choose the latter. Each summer I find countless recipes for different barbecue sauces ranging from sweet and tangy to hot and spicy. This summer is no different.

My choice for the summer of 2004: maple-chipolte barbecue sauce — sweet and spicy. Chipolte peppers are smoked jalapenos available dried or canned in adobo sauce. Adobo is a dark red sauce made from ground chilies, herbs and vinegar.

I plucked the following barbecue sauce recipe from Food and Wine magazine.

- Maple-Chipolte Barbecue Sauce**
- 1 7-oz. can chipolte peppers in adobo sauce
 - 1 cup ketchup
 - 1 cup pure maple syrup
 - 1 14-oz. can low sodium chicken broth
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground

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- allspice**
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 large onion, minced
4 large garlic cloves, minced
Salt and pepper to taste
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

In a food processor or blender combine the chipoltes with the ketchup, maple syrup, chicken broth and allspice. Puree until smooth and set aside. Heat the oil in a medium saucepan, and add the onion and the garlic.

Cook and stir over medium to high heat for

five to seven minutes. Add the chipolte mixture, and cook (and stir) over a low to medium boil for 15 to 20 minutes, until the sauce reduces and thickens. Remove from heat; season with salt and pepper, and stir in the lemon juice.

Brush maple-chipolte barbecue sauce on ribs, chicken or shrimp on the grill. Leftover sauce can be stored in the refrigerator for a week to 10 days.

Chipoltes in adobo sauce can be found in most grocery stores. The longer you cook the sauce the thicker it will become. The flavor on your palate will begin with the sweet flavor of the syrup and quickly move to a spicy finish from the peppers. Yummy.

Barbecue sauce is a big seller at the market yet creating your own can be so simple. This sauce took only 25 minutes from start to finish.

Maple-chipolte barbecue sauce will be a tasty pick-up for your mid-summer meals. Enjoy the second half of your summer.

Developing pictures

I don't want to brag, but I've always thought of myself as a fairly educated person. I know how to set a thermostat, program a VCR and work a computer by myself. I can, for the most part, balance a checkbook, pump my own gas and make a mean eggplant casserole.

But, no matter how hard I try, I can't figure out the local drugstore's system for processing film.

OK, OK. Some of you more savvy types, are probably thinking, "What's the big deal, Lady? You go to the counter, fill out the envelope, slip it into the slot and voila! you're done. A spider monkey could do it."

Others (and you know who you are) know exactly what I mean. You're the kinds of people who charge into the photo section with gobs of finished rolls of film, pull out an envelope and then immediately faint, dead away, on the floor.

Suddenly you, a person with reasonable intellect, can't figure out which box to mark. Or what kind of film you have. Or why you're wearing blue sandals with a red skirt. Or why you read that article about Jennifer Lopez getting married again, when you really don't care.

In fact, you're no longer sure of anything anymore.

And don't bother asking me why this happens, because I don't know. But I have a feeling it has something to do with all of the choices.

I admit, whenever I'm given anything with more than three choices, my whole system shuts down.

Like the other day when I went to drop off my film at the local drugstore, I was immediately surrounded by approximately 32 tiny yellow signs, all with various, reasonable sounding options.

Family Daze

By Debbie Farmer



Do I want one-day service or two?

Double prints or CD disk?

Advantage or Advanced film process?

How about 12 single 5-by-7's?

Or 24 3-by-5 triple prints?

Color or black and white?

And on and on.

There was a weary-looking lady next to me surrounded by a pile of envelopes, each with almost everything crossed out. I immediately relaxed because I knew I was in the company of another hopelessly confused person.

"I can't believe this is so hard," she sighed, turning to me. "Just when I finally got the hang of buying pantyhose."

I was in complete sympathy.

In fact, I thought back to the good old days when getting film developed meant putting your 110 cartridge into an envelope with your name scrawled on it.

Clearly, this was no longer something to be taken so lightly.

Nowadays, if you make one wrong mark you could end up with something very, very bad. Like the time my friend Julie thought she marked single 5-by-7 prints, and she came home with \$57 worth of color slides. She doesn't even own a slide

projector.

I admit it is times like these that I envy my friend Shirley, who went digital some time ago. The only problem is that she has everything from the birth of her son to his seventh birthday party stuck inside either her camera or computer. At last count, she has approximately 7,000 pictures that have never been printed. But, hey, at least she knows where she stands.

Getting back to my point. After much discussion of size and processing and all that, my new friend and I decided three important things: 1) you should not, under any circumstance, just mark everything on the envelope to see what happens, 2) I don't care if J-Lo's next husband is David Letterman or even Nicole Kidman, I'm not reading or watching anything about it, and 3) the best thing to do is to choose the section with the 3-by-5 double prints in color.

We marked our envelopes and slid them through the slot. Then we stood around for a moment and swapped picture-developing horror stories before going our separate ways.

I'd like to tell you that everything turned out OK, but it didn't. Sure, I got what I ordered, but when I picked up my film I had 24 double prints of several tiny blurry images that could've either been my family or squirrels. I also had one particularly colorful picture of my thumb.

I didn't even scream.

Debbie Farmer is a humorist and a mother holding down the fort in California. She is the author of "Don't Put Lipstick on the Cat." She can be reached by writing to familydaze@oasisnews-features.com.

Detroit Artists Market displays work of Grosse Pointe native

Grosse Pointe artist Alison Sparrow was recently selected to display three of her oil paintings at the Detroit Artists Market's "Mike Kelley Selects: A Juried Show."

Sparrow was one of 11 artists out of 125 entrants chosen by Kelley, a Detroit native, now a Los Angeles-based artist and author.

Sparrow's interest in art began at the age of 8. While sitting in a basement during a tornado warning, she decided to draw her dog so that her beloved pet would be remembered if something happened. Shortly after that incident, Sparrow started taking drawing lessons. She attended Grosse Pointe South High School and then earned a B.F.A. from Rhode Island School of Design.

Sparrow has had several pieces in the archives of the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington, D.C. When asked to describe her work, Sparrow

has said that much of her art is about the use of color and brush strokes so that every part of the painting is noticed.

"It's about the structure of colors within a painting, the highlights, and where things must acquiesce in order for a more dominant composition and mark to take over," she said.

Sparrow is a graduate student at the Academy of Art in San Francisco. She is working on a series on the homeless — having them tell their stories, on audio and then painting them.

Kelley is a multi-media artist, noise musician and writer. He earned a BFA from the University of Michigan and an MFA from the California Institute of Arts in Valencia, and he is a member of the graduate faculty in the MFA program at the Art Center of Design in Pasadena. His work is featured in the Detroit Institute of Arts, the

Guggenheim, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Whitney Museum of Modern Art and the Centre Georges Pompidou. His books include "Foul Perfection" and the just-published "Minor Histories," Volume 2.

The Detroit Artists Market began in 1932 as an outlet run by volunteers for young artists to exhibit their work during the Great Depression. Today the DAM has a reputation for its deep connection with the history of Detroit and for its promotion of contemporary art.

The Detroit Artists Market is located in the Detroit Cultural Center, 4719 Woodward.

For more information, call (313) 832-8540. Exhibitions are free and open to the public. Free parking is available. Visit online at www.detroitartistsmarket.org. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Do you remember?

Last week's question: In the '50s, there were four different drug stores in the lower Village. Can you name them?

Last week's answer: Notre Dame Pharmacy,

Cunningham's Drug Store,

Kinsels and Kopps.

This week's question: It's the early '50s and I work on the Hill. I have to grab some groceries for dinner after work. What

are my options?

Each week we try to provoke readers with a question about Grosse Pointe's past. The answer is printed the following week.

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Fruit smoothies can be a meal or a snack

By Susanne Consiglio, R.D.
Special Writer

Fruit smoothies have grown in popularity because they taste good and can be good for us. It's easy to whip up a smoothie shake packed with as many nutrients that a meal offers.

Smoothies are no longer just a breakfast alternative. They make a great between-meal snack. A four- to six-ounce serving can be filling enough to satisfy you until your next meal.

You may be surprised to learn that while good tasting, not all store-bought or fitness center smoothies are as healthy as advertised. Smoothies don't need to be overloaded to taste good. It only takes a few ingredients to make a tasty nutrient-packed beverage without hidden calories.

The calories vary when purchasing pre-made smoothies. Smoothies range from 80 calories for eight ounces to as high as 600 calories for 14 to 16 ounces, depending on the ingredients.

The ingredients may seem healthy and innocent, but they can add up quickly in calories. The lower calorie items typically contain a sugar substitute. If you are purchasing from a restaurant or fitness center, be sure to ask for the nutritional analysis, especially if you are trying to lose weight.

Most smoothies contain a mix of protein and carbohydrates. The healthiest carbohydrates are from fiber sources such as fresh fruit, wheat germ and ground flax seed, and less of the refined sugars that really pack on the calories.

For example, ingredients such as juice, honey, syrups and ice cream should be used in very small amounts or not at all.

High energy smoothies, when prepared using healthy carbohydrates and lean protein, help to replenish glycogen stores. Glycogen is the storage form of carbohydrate in your muscles and is needed to provide you with fuel during your workouts.

What should you look for in a smoothie?

If you are looking for a meal replacement, the calories can be anywhere from 240 to 400 calories per 8- to 16-ounce container. This can be a wonderful guilt-free meal, packed with protein, healthy carbohydrates and fiber.

It depends on your requirements. If you are athletic and burning off the calories you consume, you needn't worry. However, if you are just starting a weight control program, be more careful with what goes into the blender.

When making your own smoothie, keep it simple. Freeze one to two servings of fresh fruit such as one cup of diced cantaloupe, and one cup of cherries. Or use a ripe banana to add plenty of flavor.

Using a blender, combine two frozen fruits with eight ounces of plain, nonfat or flavored no-added-sugar yogurt along with crushed ice. Add two teaspoons ground flax seed and one tablespoon of soy protein for an additional protein boost.

This recipe makes one 16-ounce smoothie and is very filling as a meal, especially with the seven grams of fiber it provides.

One serving provides 345 calories, 2 fat grams, 55 total carbohydrate grams, which include the seven grams of fiber, and 26 grams of protein from the soy protein powder and yogurt.

As another option you may want to split it in half for two snacks. Keep it simple, mix different flavors of fruits, soy protein powder, yogurt or soy milk and enjoy.

Susanne Consiglio is a registered dietitian in private practice. For more information, call (586) 778-4877.



White Christmas Ball Kick-Off

St. John Hospital and Medical Center's Fontbonne Auxiliary will hold its 51st White Christmas Ball, "The Magic of a White Christmas" on Friday, Dec. 10, at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. The Ball Committee recently met at a Kick-Off Luncheon hosted by Mado Lie and Nashwa Sawaf at the Lochmoor Club. Fontbonne President Peggy Davis introduced the general chairman of this year's event, Pat Cosgrove.

Standing, from left, are members of the committee: Lorraine Owczarek, Sharon Burke, Elaine Malcous, Michelle Arcardo, Judy Dobbins, Karen Stefani, Nancy Zink, Donna Smiley, Cynthia Doherty, Christine Wiseman, Mado Lie, Dolores Casey, Pat Minnick, Patricia Connelly, Mark Taylor, Mary Ann Van Elslander, Dr. John Adams, Lauren Clune, Victoria Liggett, Sister Georgianna Simon, Jane Rousseau, Jean Azar and Debra Arnone. Seated, from left, are Peggy Davis, Dr. Marie Duenas, and Patricia Cosgrove.

Farms resident is new Eye-Bank CEO

Directors of the Midwest Eye-Banks announced that Detroit-area healthcare executive Susan d'Olive Mozena has been selected to succeed the nonprofit's retired president and chief executive officer.



Susan Mozena

"I feel extremely fortunate to inherit such an extraordinarily well-run organization that fulfills its mission to restore sight by providing corneas for transplant to thousands of people every year," Mozena said.

The Midwest Eye-Banks, headquartered in Ann Arbor, is dedicated to the restoration of sight.

"We must also forge even stronger relationships with the people we serve and with the people whose support we need in order to raise awareness of that profoundly human and generous act, the decision to be an eye, organ and tissue donor," Mozena said.

Mozena lives in Grosse Pointe Farms. She is an active participant in the community life of the Detroit area. Her volunteer affiliations and activities are numerous.

Mozena began her new role with Eye-Bank on July 1. She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College with a master's degree in teaching from Northwestern University and in health services administration from the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

"My role is to lead the Eye-Bank in such a way that we continue our tradition of outstanding clinical quality and professional leadership in the world of eye banking," she said.

Mozena worked previously as chief operating officer at Presbyterian Villages of Michigan. She was COO at the Michigan Peer Review Organization. She held the same job at Columbia Pinalake Regional Hospital in Kentucky.

She also served on the executive staff of Detroit Receiving Hospital and University Health Center for 12 years.

For more information, contact the Midwest Eye-Banks at (800) 247-7250 or visit the Web site at www.midwesteyebanks.org.

During 2003, Midwest Eye-Banks provided corneas for surgical transplantation to more than 3,000 people.

Healing Arts Center classes begin in August

Classes centered around complementary therapies and open to the community are offered at the Valade Healing Arts Center in the Van Elslander Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center. August classes include:

Aug. 3 — Ongoing Chi Gong (every Tues., \$15 per visit) 7-8:30 p.m. is offered for students who have already taken the three-week introductory Chi Gong class. Registration is not required.

Aug. 4 — Chi Gong (three weeks, \$45) 10:30 a.m.-noon or Aug. 5, 7:15-8:45 p.m. enhances the healing process, improves vitality and flexibility using 12 gentle, slow motion movements, natural breathing and visualization.

Aug. 7 — Chi Gong Lecture/Demonstration (free) 12:30-2 p.m. is an opportunity to see how easily aches and pains will change with the absence of negative thinking. Michael Bolus will lead the program.

Aug. 19 — Reiki Intro to Energy Evening (free) 7-8:30 p.m. is an opportunity to experience a mini hands-on energy session and receive a brief explanation about Reiki energy healing. Rose Knight will lead the program.

Aug. 21 — Reiki Level 1 (all day class, \$125) 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. is an ancient Japanese hands-on healing method. Students will be attuned to this universal life

energy and learn the history of Reiki, basic hand positions and ways to use this energy.

Aug. 21 — Tai Chi Demo, (free) 10-11 a.m. offers an opportunity to experience what Tai Chi is all about.

Class sizes are limited. For more information or to register, call (313) 647-3320. The Valade Healing Arts Center is located on the third floor of the Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack. 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.

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by Lisa A. Manz-Dulac, MD



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This skin conditions most common among African Americans are generally easily recognized and can be successfully treated.

And finally, although dark skin may

not burn as rapidly, all skin is susceptible to skin cancer and the damaging effects of aging due to sun exposure, which is why dermatologists recommend that everyone uses sunscreen, all year long.

To learn more about conditions affecting individuals with dark skin, contact your dermatologist or call us at Eastside Dermatology, Dr. Lisa A. Manz-Dulac and Associates with offices in Grosse Pointe and New Baltimore. You can reach them at (313) 884-3380.

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Stratford's 'Noises Off' is exercise in perfect timing

The second of two farces offered at Stratford this summer, "Noises Off" is a startling contrast to its theatrical cousin "The Triumph of Love," which was described in this column last week.

In truth, "Noises" is actually a theater insiders take-off on all the most blatant and flagrantly gross onstage behavior. It wrings side-splitting laughter from dedicated fans of this ageless category of entertainment.

That the two farces are presented in the same season is a bonus for true theater buffs. There is an amazing and fascinating contrast in style and content between the two shows even though they belong undeniably to the same tradition of zany, slapstick, sight gag humor.

When it comes to the door-slammings, crotch-clutching, double-takes and pratfalls that are the soul of farce, however, "Noises Off" takes top honors.

Moreover, it adds a zesty variation that distinguishes it from the traditional farce of history. While the actors are supposed to be doing a provinces tour of a hack-

neyed script called "Nothing On," the action reveals their ridiculous behavior backstage. The tedium of farcical comic acting night after night, has allowed personal issues to interfere with their work.

The result is a tour de force.

From a lovers' breakup and the exposure of a new affair, to the suspense of trying to keep a supporting member from hitting the bottle and missing his entrances, the backstage high-jinx are naturally funnier than the antics onstage. The fact that it is backstage and jeopardizes the official performance adds a bizarre suspense to the goings-on.

Anyone familiar with the theater tradition (or who reads the program notes) may also be titillated by the realization that touring companies doing the same physically, but not intellectually, challenging show night after night often indulge in backstage behavior that is at the least mischievous, and occasionally downright malicious.

There are some famous stories in professional theater lore of startling

State of the Arts



By Alex Suczek

behind-the-scenes practical jokes, most typically during the closing performance of a long run.

In this case, the bizarre behavior depends on the personal issues of the actors involved. A jealous jilted lover is both funny and scary as he brandishes a pistol without ever firing it. He ultimately gets his revenge by goosing his rival with a cactus.

A vengeful fellow actor ties another's shoelaces together so that he trips on his entrance. The empathy is painful, but, executed with a convincing air of just revenge, the acts are also extremely funny. The audience roars.

But they do that all through the show, and the best explanation is that

Stratford veterans Seana McKenna, Chick Reid and Barry MacGregor in key roles, joined by some outstanding graduates of the Festival's conservatory training program, prove themselves to be masters of a key skill in incredible timing.

Even when their behind-the-scenes carrying-on is making them miss cues in the play they are supposed to be performing, they are missing those cues with perfect precision. Often it is hard to tell, but that too is part of the fun.

Did they, or didn't they? Much of the time it all happens so fast, and the timing is so uncanny, it makes your head spin, or it would if you weren't so busy laughing.

In fact, you could tell the real fans of farce at intermission and after the show. They were the ones walking up the aisle holding their

sides.

Just in case there might be a risk that the audience would tire of a uniform routine throughout the show, there is another interesting filip. The first act inclines more to amusing dialogue and vocal reactions. Sara Topham gives a hoot of a rendition of the empty-headed blonde chippie who spends most of her time on stage in crimson bra and panties and reacts to her companion's comments with obvious lack of comprehension.

And Steve Cumyn, as her companion Lloyd Dallas, affects an irritating speech habit of fading out before he utters the last and key word of a sentence. No wonder she gives him a blank stare response.

The second act, on the other hand, seems to emphasize the physical side. More doors slam. People fall down stairs.

Pants fall down. The telephone rings after it has been answered. And it is all on cue. It is also a wonderful demonstration of the critical importance of timing in comedy as this amazing cast really makes it work.

When it is all over, there is the realization that there was really nothing in the performance to think about. The play has no message. It is really rather mindless.

But who has energy to worry about that after so much hilarity? Besides, that seems to be the point of this farce of a farce.

"Noises Off" is presented in repertory at the Avon Theatre through Saturday, Oct. 30. If you are a real connoisseur of farce, see it consecutively with "The Triumph of Love." For reservations and a Visitor's Guide to Stratford call (800) 567-1600.

Special Tuesday tours to offer in-depth look at Ford House

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Specialty Tour Tuesdays are meant to foster a deeper appreciation for the details beneath the surface of the estate. Tours include Behind the Scenes, Architecture, Decorative Interiors and Edsel Ford and Automotive.

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First Tuesday — Behind the Scenes: Ford House's most popular Specialty Tour allows visitors to go behind the scenes to see rooms and spaces that are otherwise unavailable during regular

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sional spaces so specifically tied to their respective purposes. This tour gives a comprehensive feel for the Ford's vision and Kahn's artistic design of this Cotswold-style home.

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Since 1978, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House has shared Eleanor Ford's vision of preserving and maintaining the house and grounds for future generations to enjoy through interpretive tours, family activities, lectures, exhibits and events.

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Kelly Ann and Frank Turner Bomier III of Wayzata, Minn., are the parents of twins: a son, Jack Turner Bomier, and a daughter, Tatum Beatrice Bomier, born May 13, 2004. Maternal grandparents are Patty Bixler-King of Scottsdale, Ariz., and James Bixler of Wayzata, Minn. Paternal grandparents are Robbie McCandless of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Frank Bomier, also of Grosse Pointe Woods. Great grandparents are Beatrice Bixler of Minneapolis, Minn., and Norman Bielik of Shelby Township.

Grosse Pointe Redbirds 16s win AABC district tournament

It has been a successful summer so far for the Grosse Pointe Redbirds 16-year-old baseball team, and the squad hopes that the success continues for at least a few more weeks.

Last weekend the Redbirds won the American Amateur Baseball Congress District tournament in Grand Rapids with a 14-4 win over the host Grand Rapids A's.

Winning pitcher Tommy Olson didn't allow an earned run in the complete-game victory.

El Boike had two hits and four RBIs for the Redbirds, while Chris Rachfal had two

hits and drove in two runs. The Redbirds opened the tournament with a 19-0 win over Union City that featured home runs by Boike and Adam Miller. Rachfal had three hits. Michael Kaiser was the winning pitcher.

Everybody in the Redbirds lineup had at least one hit as the Grosse Pointe team coached by Dan Cimmini beat the Grand Rapids A's 14-6. Boike was the winning pitcher.

The Redbirds reached the title game with a 17-2 win over Hillsdale.

Mitch Pangborn pitched a complete game. David

Deckard had two hits and four RBIs, while Bill Matouk hit a two-run double.

Earlier, the Redbirds won the Razorback Shootout in Evansville, Ind., with a 4-1 victory over the other Michigan team in the tournament, the Michigan Tornados from Flint.

Chad Murphy, who batted over 500 for the tournament, led the offense with a 3-for-3 performance. Brad Herman and Miller each collected two hits.

Olson pitched a four-hit

Louis, Mo. Olson was the winning pitcher and Boike homered.

Boike struck out seven and picked up the win in a 15-4 win over the West Side Wildcats from Indiana.

Kaiser was the winning pitcher and Boike homered in a 17-1 rout of the host Evansville Tigers.

Jamie Sheppard and Pangborn combined for the shutout as the Redbirds advanced to the title game with a 15-0 win over Funkhouser Junior Legion of Indiana. Miller had three hits and Boike homered.

The Redbirds also won the North Oakland Yankees

Invitational at Oakland University earlier this month.

Solid defense and the strong pitching of Kaiser carried the Redbirds to a 6-3 victory over the Michigan Tigers in the championship game.

Kaiser also drove in the winning run with a perfect suicide squeeze bunt in the fifth inning to snap a 3-3 tie.

The Redbirds opened the tournament with a 3-2 eight-inning loss to A Green, but bounced back in their next game with a 12-5 win over the Michigan Tornados.

Boike was the winning

pitcher and he helped himself with a home run. Herman had three hits and Kaiser collected a pair for the Redbirds.

Pangborn pitched five innings of shutout relief to earn the victory in the Redbirds' 13-3 win over the Kalamazoo Maroons. Matouk had a pair of hits for Grosse Pointe.

This week the Redbirds are playing in the AABC regional tournament in Coldwater.



Sectional qualifiers

Three Pointe Aquatics swimmers have qualified for the USA Swimming Sectional Championships which are being held this week at Indiana University. From left, are Julianne Schmidt (Grosse Pointe North), Stephanie Johnson (Grosse Pointe South) and Carolyn Jacobs (North).

Woods-Shores team wins local district 11-12-year old tourney title

Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan once said, "one of the most beautiful things about baseball is that every once in a while you come into a situation where you want to, and where you have to, reach down and prove something."

That's how the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores All-Michigan District 6 11-12-year-old Little League Baseball local tournament.

A 6-3 victory in the final game against Grosse Pointe Farms-City capped the Woods-Shores' run to the championship.

Emphasizing effort and teamwork, Woods-Shores began pool play with a 6-5 extra-inning victory over Harper Woods.

Brandon D'Agnese, who led the Woods-Shores offense with a double, triple and three RBIs, tied the game at 5-5 with a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the fifth inning.

In the bottom of the seventh, Kyle O'Donnell battled back from a 1-2 count to draw a leadoff walk. Richard Carron ran for him and stole second. He moved to third on a wild pitch on Brad Scherer's bunt attempt.

Padres win AAA title in Farms-City

The Padres received contributions from everyone as they won the regular season and playoff championships in the AAA Division of the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League.

"This is the most fun I've had coaching," said Julian Vanbiesbrouck, who guided the squad to its championships along with Phil Laciura, Bob Moesta and Randy Martinuzzi.

"Everyone got better as the season progressed."

The Padres' 10-2 victory over the Yankees in the playoff championship game was typical of the season as several players had key roles.

John Laciura pitched a two-hitter. Pat Vanbiesbrouck had two run scoring hits. Catcher John Shanley had an RBI single and played well defensively, while his brother Matt had an RBI hit.

Teresa Zettner, Mike Barry and Christian Alber each made catches in the outfield. Connor Martinuzzi, Dillon Melvin, Peter Sylvain and Marty Moesta played well in the infield.

The Padres also got good baserunning from T.J. Maurer and Philip Kresae.

"This was as good as we played all year," Julian Vanbiesbrouck said. "We didn't make a mistake."

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GPN Vipers second in fastpitch playoffs

The GPN Vipers fastpitch softball team won three of its four games to finish second in the South Macomb Amateur Fastpitch Federation playoffs.

The Bat Busters handed the Vipers their first defeat of the season, 3-2, in the championship game.

The Bat Busters touched Vipers starter Blair Carson for two runs on two hits in the first inning. Carson made it 2-1 in the third when Brenna Przeslawski walked, stole second and scored on Ali Hugelier's single.

The Bat Busters restored their two-run cushion in the fourth inning, but managed only one run when Stephanie Smith relieved and worked out of a bases-loaded situation.

The Vipers drew within a run again in the fourth when Katie Kilimas, who walked, scored on a passed ball, but the Vipers were unable to put any more runs on the board.

The GPN Vipers opened the playoffs with a 4-2 win over the St. Clair Shores Vipers.

Lauren Warkentien, who pitched a three-hitter for GPN, drove in Amy Kilimas, who had walked, with a single in the first inning.

SCS tied the game in the second and that's how it stayed until the seventh when the game went to the international tiebreaker. GPN scored three runs in the top of the seventh. Carson singled, Alicia Socha walked and Jessica Richardson hit a two-run single. Smith followed with another RBI single.

The GPN Vipers beat the Richmond Blues 4-3 in their next game. Each team scored two runs in the first inning. Katie Kilimas hit a two-run single for the Vipers, driving in Amy Kilimas, who had singled, and Carson, who walked.

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Woods golfer win division

Daniel Curis of Grosse Pointe Woods shot 70 to win the boys 15-and-up division of the Meier Junior Players Tour tournament at Detroit Golf Club.

Robert Dice of the City of Grosse Pointe shot 80 to finish 11th, while Evan Breen of Grosse Pointe Park was 14th with an 81.



Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores defeated Grosse Pointe Farms-City 6-3 to win the Michigan District 6 Little League 11-12-year-old local baseball tournament. Showing their championship banner and trophies are in front, Kyle O'Donnell, left, and Brandon D'Agnese. In the first row, from left, are Richard Carron, Joey Abiragi, Alex Beardalee, Kevin Zak, Brad Scherer, Chad Tech, Christian Ver-Tech and Rich Carron, manager Gary Stark and coaches Rene St. Hilaire and Brian St. Hilaire.

Royals are champs in Majors

The Royals of the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League Majors finished an impressive playoff run with a 12-1 victory over the Indians.

The Royals used a combination of solid pitching, tight defense, aggressive baserunning and timely hitting to win all three of their playoff games.

In the title game, Alex Koski and Bobby Peltz combined on a one-hitter with 12 strikeouts.

The Royals took the lead in the first inning when

Peltz singled with two out and scored on Koski's double off the fence in left-center field.

The Royals added two more runs in the second. Alex Padilla walked with one out and Zac Martinelli singled. Matt Temrowski was hit by a pitch to load the bases and Nick Monforton's hard smash to shortstop drove in the first run.

Temrowski later stole home for the second run.

Peltz walked and Koski homered over the center field fence to give the Royals

a 5-1 lead in the third. The offensive fireworks continued in the fourth when Monforton doubled and scored on Mike Temrowski's single. Temrowski rode home on Peltz's homer over the left field fence to make it 8-1.

A single by Matt Mellison, a walk to Tyler Morison and a single by Monforton produced a run in the fifth. The Royals closed out the scoring in the sixth. Mike Temrowski and Peltz singled to start the inning. Andrew

gile and back-to-back RBI doubles by D'Agnese and St. Hilaire in the first inning.

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Royals

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Holder's single to the gap in right-center drove in Temrowski, and Padilla's single up the middle scored Peltz. Holder capped the scoring when he came home on Martinelli's hard ground-out.

Other key contributions for the Royals came from Mike Esse and George Park, whose baserunning, fielding and hitting helped the team achieve its championship goal.

The Indians were led by Chris Shirar, Brendan Petz and Nate Maiuri.

"This team worked extremely hard during the season and the playoffs, and that was instrumental in capturing the Majors crown," said Royals manager Mike Peltz.

"Our success was based on a total team effort as all 12 players consistently contributed in the field and at the plate. They all should be very proud of their achievements."



The Royals won the Majors playoff championship in the Grosse Pointe Farm-City Little League. In front, from left, are Alex Padilla, Mike Esse, Tyler Mogk, Nick Monforton and Matt Temrowski. In the middle row, from left, are Alex Holder, Bobby Peltz, Mike Temrowski, Matt Mollison and Andrew Koski. In back, from left, are coaches Mike Peltz, Dennis Holder and Conrad Koski. Not pictured is George Park.

ULS doubles team gets All-State honor

By Chuck Klonke
Sports Editor

Dan LaLonde and Trevor Stahl typified what coach Chuck Wright is looking for in his University Liggett School tennis players.

"They provided leadership for the team," Wright said of Stahl and LaLonde, who played No. 1 doubles the last two years for the Knights.

LaLonde and Stahl were rewarded for their efforts by receiving honorable mention for the second year in a row on the Division IV All-State team selected by the state high school coaches' association.

"They might not have always won but they always gave their all," Wright said. "They showed how to compete on the court and how to conduct themselves on and off the court."

Stahl and LaLonde were both senior captains on the

ULS squad.

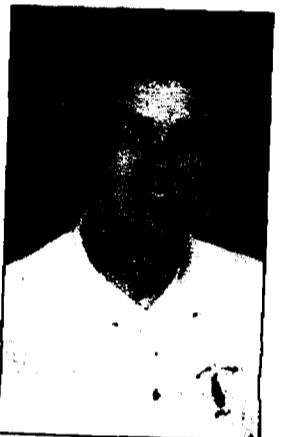
"They worked well together," Wright said. "They were good at making adjustments. They knew when to approach the net and when to stay back."

Wright said that both were excellent servers.

"Trevor is left-handed, which can make it difficult to return, and Dan has a good first serve," Wright said. "Both can volley and lob well. They can play a power game or a defensive game. That helps them stay in matches."



Dan LaLonde



Trevor Stahl

Mutants beat Sharks in Lakefront swimming league

The Grosse Pointe Park Mutants took all of the first places in the 12-and-under divisions on their way to a 324-268 victory over the Grosse Pointe Shores Sharks in a Lakefront Swimming Association meet.

Following are the first two places in each event:

BOYS

8-and-under
25-yard freestyle: 1. Nick Yoo, GPP. 2. Greg Lazar, GPP. 25 backstroke: 1. Nick Yoo, GPP. 2. A.J. Owens, GPP. 25 breaststroke: 1. Sal Ciarravino, GPP. 2. Kyle Matheson, GPP. 25 butterfly: 1. Sal Ciarravino, GPP. 2. Nick Cusmano, GPP.

10-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Brian Cleary, GPP. 2. Zak Powell, GPP. 25 backstroke: 1. Brian Cleary, GPP. 2. Mike Ponkowski, GPP. 25 breaststroke: 1. Luke Hessburg, GPP. 2. Justin Rakowicz, GPP. 25 butterfly: 1. Zak Powell, GPP. 2. Mike Ponkowski, GPP.

12-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Roby Boggs, GPP. 2. Andrew Hastings, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. Timmy Ponkowski, GPP. 2. Joe Hessburg, GPP. 50 breast-

stroke: 1. Joe Hessburg, GPP. 2. Mike Harrison, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Timmy Ponkowski, GPP. 2. Aaron Egan, GPP.

14-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Karl Tech, GPP. 2. Grant Withers, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. Robert Eckert, GPP. 2. Eric Jorgenson, GPP. 50 breaststroke: 1. Grant Withers, GPP. 2. Michael Lane, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Karl Tech, GPP. 2. Stephen Van Beek, GPP. 100 individual medley: 1. Michael Lane, GPP. 2. Robert Eckert, GPP.

17-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Justin Linne, GPP. 2. Chris Blunden, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. David Richardson-Rossbach, GPP. 2. Michael Van Beek, GPP. 50 breaststroke: 1. Pete Stevens, GPP. 2. Alex Bordyukov, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Pete Stevens, GPP. 2. Dan Minturn, GPP. 100 individual medley: 1. David Richardson-Rossbach, GPP. 2. Michael Van Beek, GPP.

GIRLS
8-and-under
25 freestyle: 1. Kimmie Cusmano, GPP. 2. Erin Belanger, GPP. 25 backstroke: 1. Elizabeth Clevenger, GPP. 2. Erin Belanger, GPP. 25 breaststroke: 1. Lilly Boggs, GPP. 2. Marie Ellison, GPP. 25 butterfly: 1. Lilly Boggs, GPP. 2. Kimmie Cusmano, GPP.

10-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Katie Case, GPP. 2. Jessie Kaminski, GPP. 25 backstroke: 1. Katie Case, GPP. 2. Kelsey MacConnachie, GPP. 25 breaststroke: 1. Jacqueline Miller, GPP. 2. Jennifer Cusmano, GPP. 25 butterfly: 1. Jessie Kaminski, GPP. 2. Alla Kedzierski, GPP.

12-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Bailey Powell, GPP. 2. Sarah Auk, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. Sarah Auk, GPP. 2. Jackie Stevens, GPP. 50 breaststroke: 1. Elizabeth Grossett, GPP. 2. Sami Filippelli, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Bailey Powell, GPP. 2. Morgan Ellis, GPP.

14-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Lecann Mocerri, GPP. 2. Jennifer Rusch, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. Jennifer Rusch, GPP. 2. Sheila Geraghty, GPP. 50 breaststroke: 1. Sarah Cullen, GPP. 2. Morgan Laney, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Lecann Mocerri, GPP. 2. Lauren Nixon, GPP. 100 individual medley: 1. Sarah Cullen, GPP. 2. Morgan Laney, GPP.

17-and-under
50 freestyle: 1. Anne Kopf, GPP. 2. Ali Manion, GPP. 50 backstroke: 1. Carolyn Jacobs, GPP. 2. Emily Richardson-Rossbach, GPP. 50 breaststroke: 1. Carly Czajka, GPP. 2. Courtney Graham, GPP. 50 butterfly: 1. Melissa Cleary, GPP. 2. Anne Kopf, GPP. 100 individual

medley: 1. Carolyn Jacobs, GPP. 2. Carly Czajka, GPP.

RELAYS

Boys 8-and-under freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Shores (Greg Lazar, Nick Cusmano, Sal Ciarravino, A.J. Owens). 2. Grosse Pointe Park (Nick Yoo, Ben Schneider, Kyle Matheson, Adam Mlynarek).

Girls 8-and-under freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (Lilly Boggs, Erin Belanger, Elizabeth Clevenger, Kaelyn Mocerri). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Leslie Jacobs, Megan Beach, Melanie Mermiges, Kimmie Cusmano).

Boys 10-and-under freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Shores (Louie Rakowicz, Patrick Lane, Justin Saravolatz, Brian Cleary). 2. Grosse Pointe Park (Zak Powell, Mike Ponkowski, Luke Hessburg, Mark-Evan Auk).

Girls 10-and-under freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (Jessie Kaminski, Kelsey MacConnachie, Natalie Miller, Carrie Condino). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Alla Kedzierski, Melissa Mermiges, Jennifer Cusmano, Katie Case).

Boys 12-and-under 200 medley: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (Joe Hessburg, Roby Boggs, Tim Ponkowski, Caleb Neumeier). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Andrew Hastings, Sam Saravolatz, Aaron Egan, J.J. Lundy).

Girls 12-and-under 200 medley: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (Kelly Marantette, Kathryn Cumpata, Leah Baker, Kelsey Flynn). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Courtney Rusch, Sami Filippelli, Anna VanEdmond, Meredith Reid).

Mixed 17-and-under 200 medley: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (David Richardson-Rossbach, Carly Czajka, Pete Stevens, Lecann Mocerri). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Michael Van Beek, Lindsey Kurtz, Mike Kedzierski, Anne Kopf).

Boys 57 years 200 freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Park (Grant Withers, Alex Bordyukov, Robert Eckert, Jack Hessburg). 2. Grosse Pointe Shores (Michael Lane, Eric Jorgenson, Karl Tech, Matt Lane).

Girls 57 years 200 freestyle: 1. Grosse Pointe Shores (Sarah Cullen, Morgan Ellis, Jennifer Rusch, Carolyn Jacobs). 2. Grosse Pointe Park (Melissa Oddo, Ali Manion, Morgan Laney, Amy Hathaway).

South graduate receives national award

Megan Zaranek, a recent graduate from Grosse Pointe South was awarded the National Scholar Athlete Award at a special presentation held in conjunction with the South Honors Program.

South athletic director Matt Outlaw presented the national award, which is sponsored by the United States Army, and cited Zaranek's accomplishments. She won several division, conference, regional and state competitions and competed in the state cross country and track finals eight times. She was her team's most valuable athlete in both cross country and track, was a captain of both teams in her senior year, and maintained a 4.0 grade-point average through four years of high school.

Zaranek was also a member of the Academic All-State cross country team in 2003.

Zaranek plans to attend Colorado College in the fall. She plans to major in biological sciences and she intends to continue running track and cross country.

Megan is the daughter of Richard and Patricia Zaranek of Grosse Pointe Farms.



Megan Zaranek

GPSA house league roundup

UNDER-7
Hawks 1, Storm 0
Goal: Davis Cummings (Hawks).
Assist: Max Yoshida (Hawks).

UNDER-10
New England Revolution 4, N.Y./N.J. Metro Stars 0
Goals: Sara Gentile 2, Eddie Surmont, Sean Hulway (Revolution).
Assist: Megan Bergeron (Revolution).

Comments: Nick Finley, Dan Mandel, Ryan Waggoner and Will Ritchie were assertive on defense. Matthew Weingarten, Megan Tomasi and Bernardo Simoes displayed quick feet. Brennan Hunter and Francesca Passalacqua provided excellent passing for the Revolution.

UNDER-12
Wild Kiwis 1, Roseville One 1
Goals: Cameron Brown (Wild Kiwis); Daniel Morgan (Roseville 1).
Assist: Charlotte Ford (Wild Kiwis).

Comments: The Wild Kiwis played a solid game against an experienced Roseville club despite not having any substitutes. Emily Ubik, Alexa Cleary, Nic Howard and Natalie Peracchio were outstanding on defense, and Ubik also made some fine corner kicks. Midfielders Greg LaHood, Louie Saravolatz and Sam Saravolatz played well. James Shepard, Brown and Ford worked hard at forward, and Robbie Squiers was outstanding in goal. Roseville goalie TeAndre Simmons made some excellent saves, while Thomas Brenesch worked hard in leading Roseville's offense.

UNDER-14
Untitled 8, Fraser One 1
Goals: Ron Mack 2, Matt Kiehler, Matt Bruno, Billy Sessions, Dan Russo, Andrew Redziniak, Danny Surmont (Untitled).
Assists: Kiehler, Sessions, Surmont (Untitled).

Comments: Untitled had several opportunities to score as David Kubacki, Mike Van Tiem and Kyle Kaine helped create the chances. Brady Savage and Jeff Moore combined to make several good saves in goal. Jake Makowski, Adam Dyer and Chris Bill played excellent defense.

Padres

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The Padres lost only two games all season, including one to the Yankees that forced the decisive playoff championship game in the double-elimination tournament.

The pitching of Laciura, Moesta, Martinuzzi and Vanbiesbrouck was a key to the Padres' success. They were also key hitters, and received plenty of support.

Zettner and John Shanley, the 12-year-old captains, hit the ball hard all season. Melvin and the fleet Sylvain played outstanding defense at third and second, respectively.

Maurer was outstanding in center field. Barry, Matt Shanley, Krease and Alber all had important hits during the course of the season.



The Padres won the regular season and playoff championships in the Grosse Pointe Farm-City Little League AAA Division. In front, from left, are Pat Vanbiesbrouck, Mike Barry, Peter Sylvain, T.J. Maurer and Matt Shanley. In back, from left, are Marty Moesta, Connor Martinuzzi, Teresa Zettner, John Laciura, Christian Alber, Philip Krease, Dillon Melvin and John Shanley.

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BOARD ELECTIONS

Grosse Pointe Soccer Association (GPSA) is currently accepting letters of interest from individuals interested in seeking election to a position on the Board. Elections for positions of President, Commissioner, Director of Uniforms, House Director (U-6), House Director (U-7 and U-8), and Director of Fundraising will be held on August 18, 2004. GPSA has a strong history of providing children of the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities with a positive environment in which children receive excellent training, develop outstanding soccer skills, learn life long lessons of teamwork, and make lasting friendships. Anyone interested in helping contribute to the continued success of GPSA by serving on the Board is invited to send a letter of interest to Debbie Carmody, 1429 Kensington, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, or via email at wmcarmody@aol.com, prior to August 11, 2004. For more information you may call Debbie Carmody at (313) 885-0605, or visit the GPSA web site at www.grossepointesoccer.com.

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HOUSE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Grosse Pointe Soccer Association (GPSA) is currently holding open registration for the U6 through U14 girls and boys House Soccer Program. Our Organization offers a competitive, team-oriented soccer program that encourages individual player development, while being a community based and supported soccer organization. Mail-in registration forms are due by August 6, 2004. Registration forms and instructions on how to register your child in the House Soccer Program may be obtained by visiting the GPSA web site at www.grossepointesoccer.com. Registration forms are also available at any one of the Grosse Pointe Public Libraries. For more information, please visit the GPSA web site or call (313) 886-6790.

