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**SATURDAY, JAN. 26**

◆ Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustee Robert Klacza will be at the Central Library, 10 Kercheval, at 10 a.m. to answer questions.

**MONDAY, JAN. 28**

◆ A public meeting of the board of trustees of the Grosse Pointe Public Library begins at 7 p.m. at the Ewald Branch Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. The board packet is available for review at each library by Friday before the meeting.  
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods/Shores Little League annual meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe Woods city hall. The public is invited.  
◆ The Grosse Pointe Park City Council meets at 7 p.m. in city hall, 15115 E. Jefferson.  
◆ The Grosse Pointe Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe North library.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 29**

◆ The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce annual meeting begins at 6 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$40 per person. Call (313) 881-GPCC for reservations.  
◆ The Halo 3 finals are from 7 to 8 p.m. at Ewald Branch Library, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.  
◆ A father-son book discussion group begins at 7 p.m. in the Woods branch of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, 20680 Mack. The book up for discussion is "Left for Dead: A Young Man's Search for Justice for the U.S.S. Indianapolis" by Pete Nelson. To register, call (313) 343-2072, ext. 203.

**Love stories sought**

The Grosse Pointe News seeks love stories of Grosse Pointers who have been married more than 10 years.

Submit a story by Wednesday, Feb. 6. Mail to Grosse Pointe News, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, attention Ann or e-mail editor@grossepointenews.com

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## Bowen seeks court appeal

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

Longtime Grosse Pointe South High School choir director Ellen Bowen, 59, is seeking a reversal of an assault and battery conviction and the opportunity to seek

another trial.

She appeared Friday, Jan. 18, in front of Wayne County Third Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Carole F. Youngblood.

In May 2007, a Grosse Pointe Park jury found Bowen guilty of misdemeanor charges that included annoy-

ing person and assault and battery.

The charges are related to a 2006 case in which she admitted to pounding her hand on the trunk of a car belonging to a former South student and later purposely hitting its bumper with her own vehicle.

At the July sentencing, Park judge Carl F. Jarboe dropped the annoying person charge.

During the appeals hearing last Friday, Bowen's attorney, James R. Andary, contended that when Jarboe dropped the annoying person charge, "it created the opportunity to set

aside the guilty verdict" for the assault and battery charge.

Andary argued that there was no way of determining whether the jury separated the annoying person and the assault and battery charges.

"They seemed to cluster the two together," Andary said.

Andary also contended that the testimony of a passenger in the victim's car would have been unfavorable to the prosecution. This witness was not called on to testify at the trial.

Andary referred to photographs showing no damage to the sports utility vehicle that Bowen was driving.

"The photographs showed there was minimal contact with the vehicle of the victim," Andary said.

According to Park attorneys, other photographs show damage to the rear bumper of the victim's sedan.

Andary summed up the reasons for the appeal and request for a new juried trial.

"There was no single error, but the culmination of errors in the lower court," he said.

Attorney Maya Hamie, representing the City of Grosse Pointe Park, countered Andary's arguments.

She stated that Bowen admitted in a signed statement to police the day after the incident and in her testimony during her trial that she intended to hit the victim's car.

"The defendant has already confessed," Hamie said.

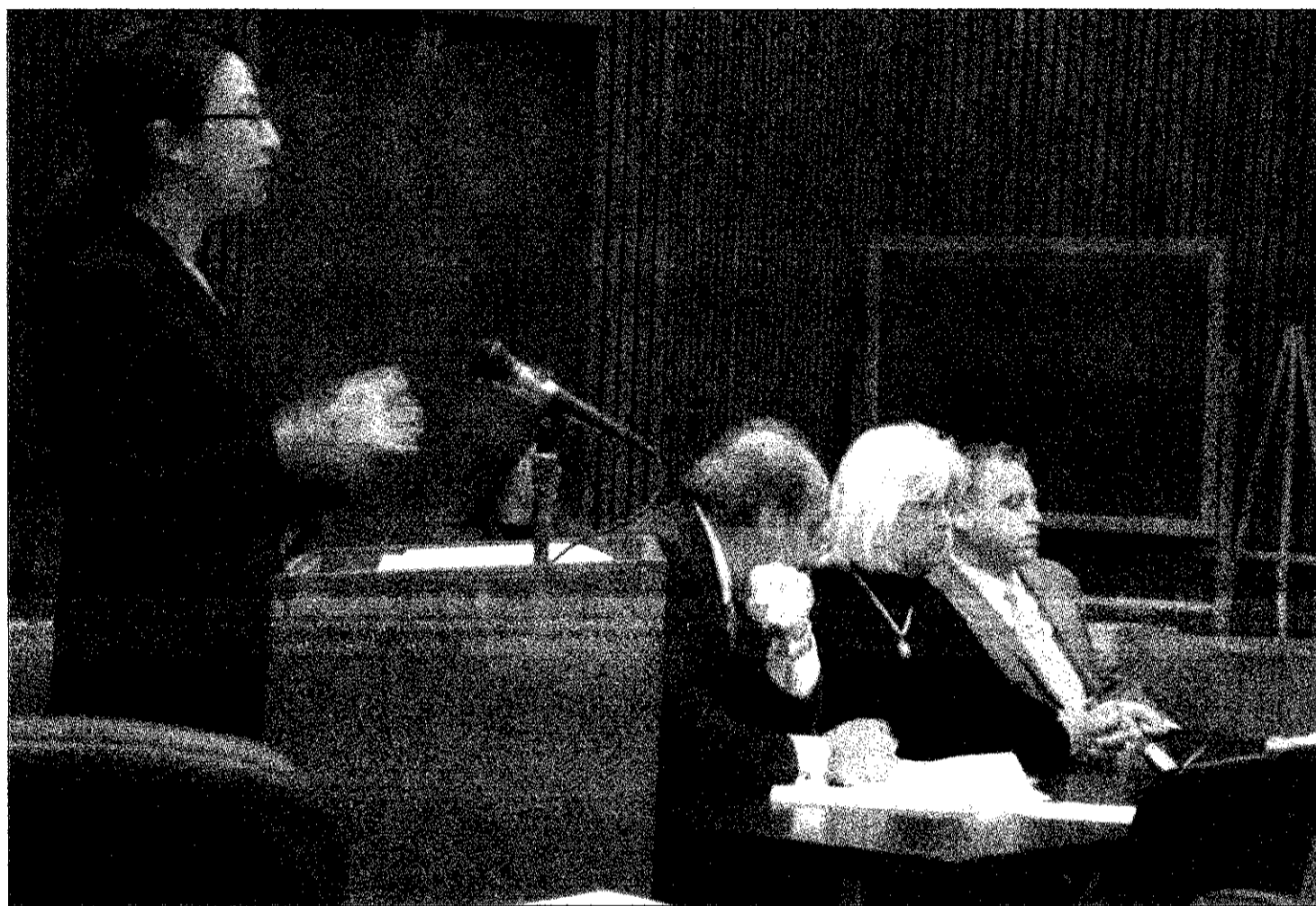


PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe South High School choir director Ellen Bowen, seated center, appeared at the Wayne County Third Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Carole F. Youngblood seeking a reversal of her assault and battery conviction.

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**GROSSE POINTE SHORES**

## Voters to decide whether to become a city

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

It is said that April showers bring May flowers. But May might bring something else to Grosse Pointe Shores after township officials voted to put the cityhood question before voters.

The advisory question will ask residents if they favor converting the nearly 100-year-old township into a city. It will also ask residents to elect nine

charter commission officials, who then will be charged with rewriting the township's charter if the issue is approved.

The vote will be on the second Tuesday in May, said Mike Kenyon, Shores village manager. Those wishing to be considered for the charter commission can add their name to the ballot by filing a petition signed by 20 current Shores voters.

A little known piece of legislation

currently dormant in the state legislature prompted Shores officials to consider the action, changing from its township status since it was first incorporated in 1911.

If the legislation becomes law, the Shores would lose its ability to collect taxes and hold elections in both Wayne and Macomb counties. Lake Township is in Macomb County.

But there are positive benefits for the Shores to be incorporated into a city.

Because the village overlaps into two counties, it requires an extra layer of government to conduct certain duties like holding elections. It would also require the Shores to amend and adopt a new charter.

If voters approve it, a charter commission will be charged with creating a new charter.

Once that has been done, the charter

See DECISION, page 6A

## Winterfest to slide into Woods

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

Come outside for some winter fun at Winterfest from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at Grosse Pointe Woods' Lakefront Park.

A chili and pie cook-off are featured and entertainment includes an inflatable slide and a SCORE-O competition.

Residents and guests wishing to enter the chili and pie cook-off are asked to contact

the park office to register, as space is limited. Set up will begin at 11 a.m., with judging beginning promptly at 11:15 a.m. Winners will be announced at noon.

Chili cook-off participants are asked to bring one gallon of hot chili and serving utensils. Crock pots are not required. Chili will be served in cups provided by the city.

Pie bakers are asked to bring serving utensils, cut pies into single servings and place

them in cups provided by the city.

Bakers and cooks are encouraged to serve their dishes and stay on hand to chat with guests and fellow participants.

Lunch and refreshments will be served. There is no charge, but lunch reservations are required and can be made by calling the Lake Front Park office at (313) 343-2470 or online at parks@gpwmf.us.

Call the park office for additional information.

**POINTER OF INTEREST**

*'I rarely exactly follow a recipe. I'm always substituting ingredients.'*

### Linda Allen

Home: City of Grosse Pointe

Age: 55

Family: Husband, Frank Nizio

Claim to fame: Claim to fame:

Winner of the West Park

Market's 2007 Pie Baking

Contest

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## Yesterday's headlines

1958

50 years ago this week

◆ COUNCIL SPOUSES  
GANG UP ON SOLONS:

Angry about a recent measure that limited parking meters to 30 minutes in the Village shopping district, wives of City councilmen swayed their husbands to rescind the move.

The women contested that 30 minutes was not nearly enough time to complete their shopping in the district and convinced the council to extend the meter time to one hour. Prices for meter parking were set at 5 cents for 80 minutes and a dime for an hour.

◆ WOODS AGREES TO  
SELL LAND:

The Grosse Pointe Woods council ap-

proved selling four acres of city-owned land to clear the way for a proposed sewage pumping station.

The council sold the land to the Inter-county Drain Board for \$12,000. The pumping station is part of the Grosse-Gratiot Drain project and will be located within an area bordered by the Milk River and Girard drains.

In addition to the sale cost, the city will also receive \$3,000 because the sale would make revising the public works garage plans necessary.

◆ WOODS WOMAN IN  
CRITICAL CONDITION:

A Grosse Pointe Woods woman, who was struck by a car, is in grave condition in an area hospital.

Helen Iganskiak, 58, was struck by a car as she attempted to cross Stanhope. The dri-



PHOTO BY FRED RUNNELLS

# East meets Best

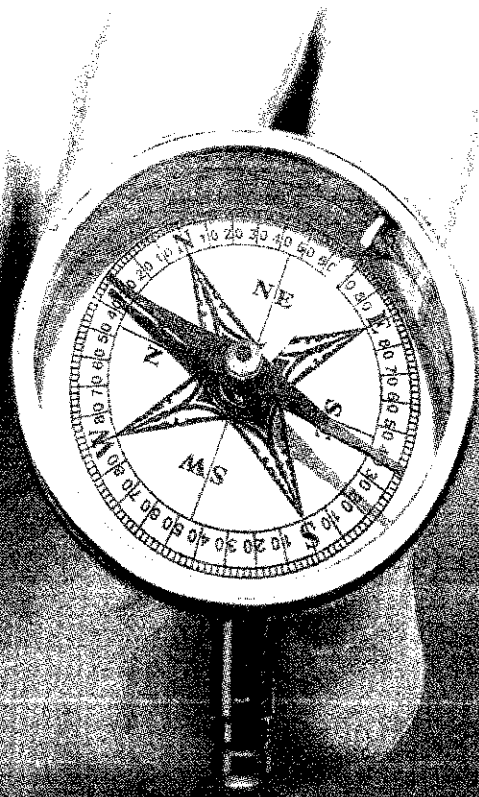
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## 1958: Missing

Save for the paved street in the foreground and the fireplug, residents now have the same view of Lake St. Clair as Pointe settlers and Indians before them. The clearing was opened up by the razing of the Newberry estate and marks for the first time in a quarter of a century that Pointers have been able to view the lake from as far back as Grosse Pointe Blvd.

—From the Jan. 23, 1958 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

ver of the car, Harry Amenda, 21, said he did not see the woman when he passed through the intersection.

## 1983

25 years ago this week

◆ CITY MAN KILLED IN CAR CRASH: Robert Todd Elvidge of the City of Grosse Pointe was killed when the vehicle in which he was a passenger slammed into a Detroit Edison pole causing the car to overturn on Jefferson near Cadieux.

The driver of the car, Edward Caulkins, 20, of Grosse Pointe Farms was drunk at the time of the accident and was charged with manslaughter.

When police arrived at the scene, they found Caulkins and another passenger, Jeffery Grover of Midland, Texas, sitting next to the vehicle. Elvidge, 21, was found unconscious inside the car and was later declared dead at Bon

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# Farms water remains a viable option

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

An ad hoc committee has been appointed to study the feasibility of Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods tying into the Grosse Pointe Farms water plant, thus severing the two community's contracts with the Detroit Water Board.

Representatives from the communities will examine whether such a move would be

cost efficient and how the Farms water plant would have to be expanded to accommodate the additional water pressure needed.

If all goes according to plan, and a 6 to 9 month pilot study of a new micro-filtration system gets the state Department of Environmental Quality's approval, ground breaking could begin by 2011, said Shane Reeside, Farms city manager.

"We have to ensure that we can deliver adequate pressure

flows," Reeside said. "We know (expansion) would increase costs. But it looks as though we could see significant cost savings in the long term."

The Shores and Woods began negotiating with the Farms after receiving a new model contract from the Detroit Water Board last year that significantly increases fees they pay to the body.

Under the new contract, The Woods and Shores are facing double digit increases in water

rates. Pointe officials say the contract assumes communities are going to max out in water consumption during peak hours, even if they efficiently conserve water during that period.

It is estimated that even if the Shores and Woods decide not to tie into the Farms plant, upgrades will be needed for the facility, resulting in higher water costs.

Discussions began last summer between the communities.

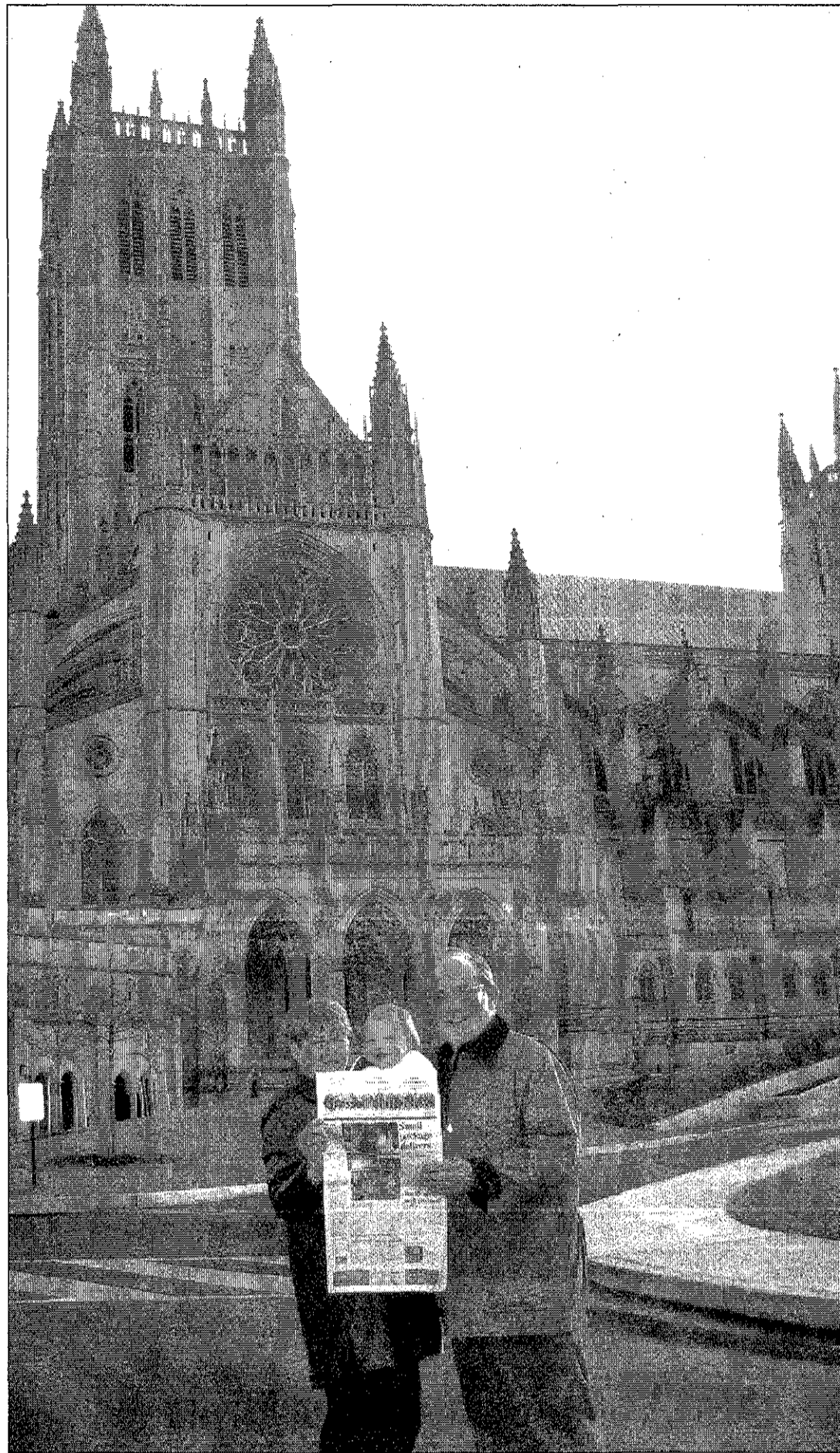
Before proceeding, the communities asked its auditing firm, Plante Moran, to crunch some numbers regarding the expansion.

According to a memorandum submitted to Reeside by Plante Moran, the Farms and City of Grosse Pointe, which receives its water from the Farms, will cover all debt service for plant upgrades. The Shores and Woods would pay for all connection costs. It is widely assumed that direction-

al boring will be the connection method of choice.

The memorandum summarized that a "long-term benefit in wholesale (water) rates is received by all four communities."

Grosse Pointe Shores Manager Mike Kenyon said that preliminary costs are estimated in the \$25 million range. But it is long-term costs and the ability to have more control over its water delivery that makes the idea attractive.



## Cathedral News

Vince and Kathy Romano of Grosse Pointe Park acquaint their granddaughter, Lacey Mayes of Leesburg, Va., with the Grosse Pointe News before touring the National Cathedral just after Christmas. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

## Pointers lead circuit court

Judge William J. Giovan of Grosse Pointe Farms has been appointed chief judge of Wayne County Circuit Court. Judge Giovan most recently served as chief judge pro tem and presiding Judge of the Court's Civil Division. He has been a Wayne County circuit judge since 1976 and served earlier on the Recorder and Common Pleas courts of Detroit.

"Although I did not seek this position, I am grateful for the confidence that the Michigan Supreme Court has placed in me," said Giovan. "Two of my top priorities will be to make the Friend of the Court a more efficient agency and to step up the effort to make the court's jury pools more representative of the population of Wayne County as a whole."

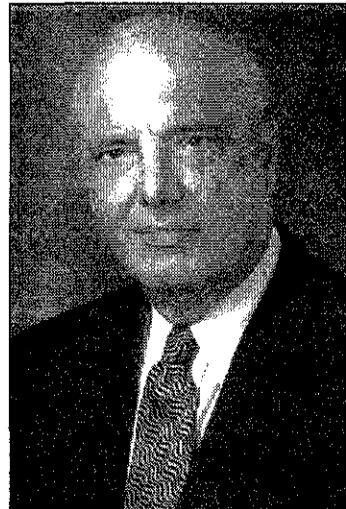
Giovan has appointed Judge Kathleen Macdonald of Grosse Pointe Woods to serve as his



Judge Kathleen Macdonald

chief judge pro tem, the number two position of the court. She has been a circuit judge since 1987.

"Judge Macdonald is an experienced judge who has the respect of her colleagues and who is well-suited to act in my absence when required," said Giovan.



Judge William J. Giovan

Giovan has also announced his appointment of the presiding judges of the court's several divisions: Judge Edward Ewell Jr., Criminal Division; Judge Richard Skutt, Family Division; and Judge Judy Hartsfield, Juvenile Division.

## Gaffney recall gets go-ahead

By John Lundberg  
Staff Writer

State Representative Ed Gaffney, R-Grosse Pointe Farms, is considering appealing a recent judge's reversal of an earlier decision by the Wayne County Elections Commission that a recall petition was "unclear" to voters, and ordered its revision.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge William Glovian reversed the ruling, allowing supporters of the recall of Gaffney and several other Michigan lawmakers to proceed. To recall Gaffney, proponents would need to collect about 9,600 signatures and present them to the Michigan Secretary of State

by May 1.

The move to recall Gaffney, the term-limited representative, who has 11 months left to serve, was prompted by Gaffney's support of increasing the state's income tax last fall.

Michigan residents were incensed by the tax increase when many are struggling to keep their homes out of foreclosure.

The Michigan Legislature also approved extending the state's sales tax to more than 20 other services, but that later was rescinded and incorporated into the Michigan Business Tax.

"I still believe it was the right thing to do," Gaffney said. "Things are bad enough al-

ready without cutting aid to schools and (other services).

"We just need to get through this hard time."

Gaffney also questioned the wisdom of going through the expense of a recall, given that he is now half-way through his last term.

"I'm confident about the people of Grosse Pointe," he said. "Why go through with expense?"

Recall supporters must submit the valid signatures to the secretary of state by May 1 to schedule a recall election in August.

Recall supporters must collect signatures from 25 percent of voters who voted in the last election for governor.

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

### Paladino turns down treasurer's post

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The "Help Wanted" sign is back out in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Woods employee Linda Paladino declined the city's offer to take over the treasurer's duties for the next six months. She also requested her name be withdrawn from future consideration.

Paladino informed city attorney Dan Berschback in a letter dated Jan. 17 that she has chosen to pursue other professional opportunities.

Citing a need to act quickly

to fill the position, Mayor Robert Novitke appointed council members Joe Sucher, Vicki Granger and Pete Waldmeir to a selection committee charged with creating an advertising action plan and compiling a list of job duties for the position.

The committee is expected to report its findings to the council at its Feb. 4 meeting.

Last month, city officials, acting as the Committee of the Whole, voted 4 to 3 to recommend the council appoint Paladino as treasurer/comptroller for a six month period, subject to contract approval

by the council.

Paladino has been working for the city on an hourly basis since last spring. She was hired to perform some duties previously assigned to former city treasurer Cliff Maison. He resigned last March following allegations of misuse of city property.

She was instrumental in preparing the city's 2007-08 budget and has taken the lead in implementing and training staff on the city's new financial software package. She has also worked with the finance committee on budget matters.

## Mosaic begins its 15th season in February

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit's 15th anniversary season kicks off in February with "Magnificat" Mosaic Singers in Concert" and its anniversary gala, "Fifteen Years of Mosaic Magic."

"It truly is amazing to be able to reflect and celebrate all that Mosaic has accomplished in the past 15 years," said Mosaic's Founder and CEO Rick Sperling.

"We look forward to keeping our tradition of contributing great music, performances and service - from the stage to the streets of Detroit - for the next 15 years and beyond."

"Magnificat," presented at 8 p.m. Feb. 1; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 2; and 4 p.m. Feb. 3 at The Max M. Fisher Music Center, features the Mosaic Singers performing an eclectic array of music in a two-act rhythmic musical and theatrical presentation.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$12 for students and seniors with valid ID.

Tickets for the 2 p.m. Saturday performance and the 4 p.m. Sunday performance will be part of the "Target Half-Price Family Matinees."

Tickets can be purchased at

the DSO box office; by calling (313) 576-5111; or online at mosaicdetroit.org.

The anniversary black tie gala is planned for Feb. 9 at

the Detroit Institute of Arts. For ticket information, call Mosaic Development Manager Tiffani Langford at (313) 872-6910 ext. 4016.

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## POINTER OF INTEREST

**Linda Allen** tries to see the lighter side of life. Her enthusiasm, sense of humor and not taking life too seriously, lets her enjoy everyday to the fullest.

# Light, laughter are key to her life

By Beth Quinn  
Staff Writer

Last summer, Linda Allen won the first pie baking contest she entered.

Some would call it beginner's luck, but in Allen's case it could be the power of positive thinking.

Allen is a ray of sunshine even on a gray and dreary January day. Her rapid smile, twinkling eyes and easy laugh reflect her easygoing personality.

She laughs as she tells the story of how Diane Finken, owner of the Blue Bay Fish and Seafood Market, coaxed her to participate in Grosse Pointe Park's West Park Market's pie baking contest held last September.

"Diane wanted more participants to compete in the contest, so she asked me," Allen said.

As a favor to her friend, Allen decided to throw her pie into the ring.

When asked if she was a serious baker, Allen giggled and said, "No."

Even more incredible, she confided that she captured first prize with a pie she had never baked before.

"I just winged it," Allen said. "I made it first shot. I was amazed I came in first out of 15 contestants."

Allen said she was helped by another friend, Andrea Solak, who suggested she try a Martha Stewart recipe for a sweet potato souffle pie in a phyllo pastry.

"Her magazine showed a beautiful picture of it," Allen said, "but the recipe was really long and complicated. You had to do all this stuff, like puree the sweet potato."

Allen made Stewart's labor intensive recipe more manageable by using Honey Baked Ham's already prepared frozen sweet potato souffle.

"I rarely exactly follow a recipe," Allen said. "I'm always substituting ingredients."

Perhaps Allen's art back-



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Linda Allen of the City of Grosse Pointe shows off her Sweet Potato Souffle Pie in phyllo pastry, which took first place in the West Park Market's pie contest.

ground played a part in her creating the culinary masterpiece.

Ever since childhood, she has had an interest in art and the creative process, she said. Later, as a student at Wayne State University, she majored in interior design. She left the design field after 15 years to "segue back into art."

She started taking classes at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and the Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center.

Nowadays, she enjoys working in mixed media and creating collages inspired by everyday life, she said.

Allen carries a sketch pad around with her most of the time. If something catches her eye, she'll do a quick contour line drawing in ink.

"My sketches are not exact replicas, but more of an impressionistic study and then I embellish it with dots and lines," Allen said.

She added she tries to capture shapes, textures, and the feeling and energy of her subject.

"It's exciting and challenging at the same time," Allen said. "I love drawing that way. It's so much fun."

During past six summers, Allen has worked for the Michigan State Fair as co-coordinator for the fine arts exhibit.

Allen said she and her co-workers are busiest weeks before the fair begins.

The exhibit's art competition is unique because it has a professional and amateur division. Someone starting out doesn't have to compete with an experienced professional, she added.

"I love the job," Allen said. "It is so much fun, I would almost do it pro bono."

Allen also has been a member of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association for more than 12 years. She served as its president and has chaired numerous committees.

She is excited about its 70th Annual Members Show which will be held Friday, Feb. 15 at its new location, 15001 Kercheval in the Park.

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## Linda Allen's Easy Sweet Potato Souffle Pie in Phyllo Pastry

Ingredients:

- ◆ Buy a sweet potato souffle from the frozen section of Honey Baked Ham Co., thaw
- ◆ Two egg whites.
- ◆ 1/2 cup butter
- ◆ 1/3 cup sugar and 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon.
- ◆ Phyllo pastry (in frozen section of grocery market) approximately nine sheets.

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Butter a 9-inch spring form

pan, and place on a baking sheet; set aside.

Stir 1/3 cup granulated sugar and the cinnamon in a small bowl. Melt butter on stove top. Brush 1 phyllo sheet with melted butter. Sprinkle lightly with cinnamon-sugar mixture. Fold in half crosswise; brush with butter. Sprinkle lightly again with cinnamon-sugar mixture, and fit into prepared spring form pan, folded side in, allowing a 2 1/2-inch overhang.

Repeat, overlapping sheets to cover bottom in a starburst pattern.

Put egg whites into the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the whisk attachment; beat on high speed until foamy and beat until stiff glossy peaks form. In a large mixing bowl, gently but thoroughly fold the egg whites into the sweet potato souffle.

Pour over phyllo; fold overhang over filling. Sprinkle with

cinnamon-sugar mixture (if needed, combine 1 to 2 tablespoons more sugar and a pinch of cinnamon). Reduce oven temperature to 375 degrees. Bake pie until puffed and just set in center, 45 to 50 minutes. Remove from oven; let stand until slightly cooled and center has fallen, about 20 minutes.

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Allen sketched this ink line drawing titled "Jazz Encounter" while listening to a jazz concert held outdoors during the summer.

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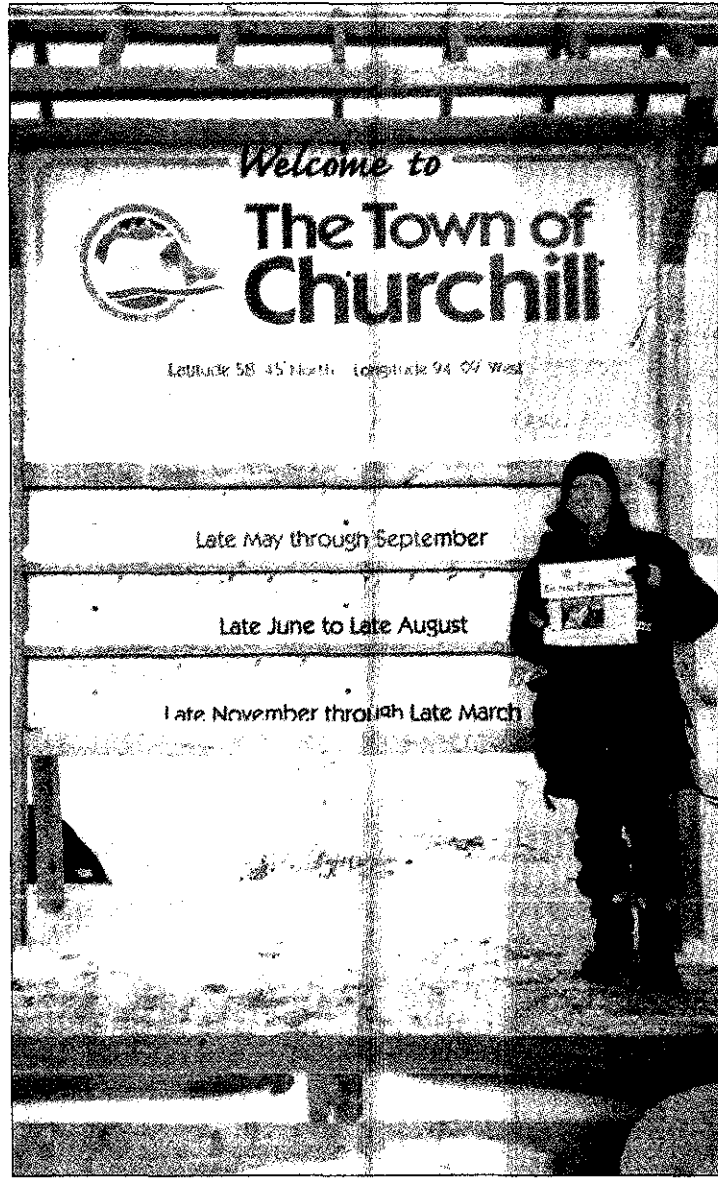
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# Churchill News

Thomas Cooper traveled to the northern Canadian town of Churchill to photograph polar bears. He took the Grosse Pointe News along to read during the long journey. It was minus 8 degrees Fahrenheit with a windchill of minus 20 degrees F the day the picture was taken. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to editor@grossepointenews.com or mail to the Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.



# Pendjari news

Douglas, Paige, Ben and Grosse Pointe News Feature Editor Ann L. Fouty took the Grosse Pointe News along to read in front of a termite mound in Parc de la Pendjari (Pendjari Park) in Benin, Africa. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: The Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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### GROSSE POINTE WAR MEMORIAL

## Young women targeted by classes

Programs for girls, and some for boys, in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods are being offered year round at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

The first class of the year is It's All About Pasta where girls and boys aged 7 to 12 learn to make lasagna, spaghetti and fettuccini noodles and sauce from scratch. The class will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 26. The fee is \$40 per person and registration is required by Jan. 23.

A six-week Irish Step Dance class instructed by Jolie Kilpatrick follows for girls ages 7 to 15 begins at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 6. The fee is

\$60.

Both girls and boys can enroll in the Babysitters Training Course taught by a registered nurse from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8. The class teaches basic child care, age appropriate discipline, basic first aid and how to approach babysitting as a business. The fee is \$55 and includes course materials and a snack.

Young girls trying to navigate the often stormy waters of friendship will benefit from Dealing With Mean Girl Behavior on Saturday, April 12. Offered by Girl Empowered, the mother-daughter workshop details how to deal with

teasing, bullying, exclusion and cliques. Moms will learn strategies to help create an environment of support and self esteem for their daughters. The workshop is offered in two segments.

Girls, aged 6 to 9, and their mothers are scheduled for 1 to 2: p.m.; and girls, aged 10 to 12, and their mothers are scheduled for 2:30 to 4 p.m.

The fee is \$25 for mom and daughter with \$15 for each additional sibling.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is located at 32 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. To register for classes, call (313) 881-7511.

## DECISION: New status considered

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goes before Gov. Jennifer Granholm for approval. If all goes to plan, residents could be voting to become an official city in November.

"The benefits of this seem to support this as a wise move," Kenyon said last month. "It

would streamline our government.

"Right now we have three sets of books... It is well overdue."

Most of the costs, estimated to be between \$25-30,000, would go to legal and accounting fees, said Village Attorney Mark McInerney.

But over the long term, the Shores would save money.

Kenyon added the conversion would change the Shores tax collection to a one-time July to June schedule, eliminating the current overlap with

tax collections.

If the Shores is incorporated into a city, it would continue to collect Macomb County taxes for Lake Township, which would be within the Shores' city limits. It would then reimburse Macomb County.

The move would also allow voters to one day decide whether to switch over to Macomb County, where property and school taxes are lower than in Wayne County.

But that potential vote is "way down the road," Kenyon said.

## BOWEN: New trial sought

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Hamie also argued that Michigan law states that a "witness not appearing at trial can not form the basis to grant a new trial."

She also refuted Andary's contention that the annoying person charge tainted the jury's deliberation on the assault

and battery charge.

She asserted the charges were based on two separate encounters between Bowen and the victim, thus the jury would have been able to differentiate between the two.

Hamie argued the annoying person charge was based on Bowen's verbal communication with the victim, which was their first encounter.

Hamie said the assault and battery charge was the result of the three times Bowen hit the victim's car at a later time and on a different street.

"The set of facts and the sep-

arate locations clearly distinguished the two convictions," Hamie said.

She concluded her arguments by saying, "the defendant had the right to a fair trial, not a perfect trial, and that is what she got."

Andary countered by saying that "tapping of a bumper doesn't constitute assault and battery" and argued that Bowen "took the witness stand to explain, not as an admission of guilt."

Youngblood said she will review the arguments and make her decision "momentarily."

# Snow sculptures cheer up one Woods neighborhood

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

The tools for most artists are a paint brush and an easel. For C. J. Hurd, they are a snow shovel and winter gloves.

The 29-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident creates snow sculptures — and his

neighbors on Prestwick are only too happy to offer up their snow for his efforts.

"Last year I had a 12-foot Michigan State Spartan," he said. "But we haven't had nearly as much snow this year, so I've had to cut down a little."

Hurd tries to do two sculptures a year and so far this

year he's created the Detroit Tigers' Old English D. It has proved so popular with neighbors that one family asked for a head's up when the next sculpture is done so his family can use it as a backdrop for their 2008 Christmas card.

It takes two to three hours to do the actual sculpting and at least another three hours to amass the snow. He packs it into boxes measuring 1-by-3 feet to create the blocks he stacks for his "canvas." He then sketches the design into the snow and starts paring away with a garden trowel.

Hurd said the snow has to be just the right consistency and at about the melting point is best. It typically refreezes overnight.

"I need about 700 pounds of snow before I can start carving," Hurd said. "That's where the neighbors come in. They always tell me that if I need more snow, I'm welcome to theirs."

Hurd has been creating ice



Snow sculpture and Grosse Pointe Woods resident C. J. Hurd shows off the Detroit Tigers' Old English D.

sculptures for years, starting with smaller projects in his backyard when he was growing up.

He also took art classes at Grosse Pointe South before graduating in 1997.

When he's not putting his artistic talents to work on the snow, he's putting his culinary skills to work as cook at Burrito Mundo. During the summer, he teaches diving at Neff Park in the City of Grosse Pointe.

"He is also a self-described 'struggling stand up comedian.'"

"I love doing a lot of things and experiencing life to the fullest," he said, adding sand sculpture and ice carving are two interests he would like to pursue.

For now, he waits for the next major snowfall and his fans await his next creation — a replica of the Detroit Red Wings' logo.

At least this one will feel right at home on the ice.

## YESTERDAY: Headlines to remember

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Secours hospital. Police said the three were returning home from a party.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SHIFT DRAWS CONCERNS:** A recent report recommending sixth grade students be transferred to the Grosse Pointe Public School System's three middle schools has some parents concerned.

The study, submitted to the board of education and focusing on enrollment declines, recommended the shift to help young students advance their reading, spelling, mathematics and handwriting skills. Those opposed to the shift said sixth grade students would not adapt well to the advanced maturity level in a 6-8 grade setting.

**AUTOMATED TRASH PICK UP COMES TO PARK:** Residents in Grosse Pointe Park will have their old tin trash cans replaced by mobile "toters" in an effort to reduce the rodent and stray dog population in the city's alleys.

The containers hold up to 200 pounds of refuse and were warmly received by families that participated in a recent pilot study using the bins.

## 1998

10 years ago this week

**BROKERAGE HOUSES CROWD INTO POINTES:** With the opening of a Merrill Lynch office in Grosse Pointe Farms, the Pointes are now home to more brokerage houses than the financial district in downtown Detroit.

Financial business representatives said the trend is largely due to the businesses wanting to be closer to their customer base. They also said that branch offices are needed because financial services are much more personal these days.

**GIFTS AND FUNDRAISERS STUDIED BY DISTRICT:** The Grosse Pointe school system is studying its policy about accepting gifts from parent-organized fundraisers and corporate entities.

The issue caught the attention of some officials after the district recently entered into a deal with Coca-Cola Bottling Co. in which the soft drink provider, at a reduced rate, provided new score boards for the district's high school athletic fields. In exchange, the company logo is displayed on the signs as well as having the right to selling its products exclusively in four of the district's schools.

## 2003

5 years ago this week

**FARMS MAY PATROL LAKE ST. CLAIR:** Public safety patrols in Grosse Pointe Farms may extend to the Canadian border this summer, a police official said.

Public safety Officer Chris Fontaine is working on forming a dive team and a shore patrol for the Farms police department. The two main purposes of the team is to provide year-round ice and water rescue and increase law enforcement presence to the shoreline in an effort to bolster border security in the wake of 9/11 attacks.

Fontaine said that the dive team and shore patrol could be called upon for mutual aid by the three other Grosse Pointes that border the lake.

**SHORT LIST ESTABLISHED FOR VACANCY:** The Grosse Pointe Farms City Council, looking to fill the vacancy created by the election of former Mayor Ed Gaffney as state representative, have compiled a short list of candidates.

Robert Herdegen Jr., Joe Leonard and Myrna Smith are all being considered. All three have worked in one form or another in official Pointe capacities. The Farms council also didn't want to appoint a person, who was running in the council election later this year.

— John Lundberg

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## Navigating the economy

**C**onsidering how poorly they get along, President Bush and the congressional Democrats are coming to a remarkably quick consensus on an economic stimulus package.

Part of this is driven by genuine concern over what seems to be a deteriorating economy, and part of it a desire not to be seen as standing idly by when polls show both the president and Congress are held in low public esteem.

Bush has proposed, with few details, \$145 billion in stimulus, amounting to the 1 percent of Gross Domestic Product that economists say is needed. The heart of the package are tax rebates of up to \$800 for individuals and \$1,600 for couples that, the president says, will "get money in the hands of our consumers and small-business owners to help the economy."

Conspicuously, the president did not try to tie his cooperation to making his tax cuts permanent.

Congressional Democrats welcomed his proposal, although they fretted, it seemed, to exclude from the rebates those who do not earn enough to pay federal income taxes — for example, a family of four earning \$24,900. Thus, they may try to include low-income workers by making the tax cut refundable or expanding the earned income tax credit.

In the harsh calculus of stimulus spending, people further down the economic scale are more likely to rush out and spend the money, the whole purpose of the rebate, than the better off, who might sit on the money.

Opinion is divided on the efficacy of stimulus packages. The money is effectively borrowed. It is not targeted specifically to the problems of high energy prices, tightening credit, stagnant job growth and an anemic housing market. Generally, they seem to do more for consumer morale than for the economy as a whole.

And the stimulus tends to be slow in arriving. If there is a recession, the economy, as it has with past recessions, may be coming out of it by the time the stimulus arrives.

— *Scriptis Howard News Service*

GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

## The travails of a senior citizen

**M**aybe it's symptomatic of my being a senior citizen, but little things are beginning to aggravate me.

As a starter, traipsing through the whole Medicare registration process is a calamitous journey that is not for the faint of heart! One needs a cadre of physicians, pharmacists and legal beagles to assist in the navigation. It's similar to a take home exam, except most of the answers are not in the book!

One can only hope that when the complicated package is completed, the road taken is a clear path to reduced health care costs, and not some side road to confusion and refusal of the health care industry to provide reimbursement.

Then there's the issue of magazine subscription renewals. For years I have religiously renewed my periodicals after receiving a notice in the mail. I just assumed that it was time to renew. And some of the offers were too enticing to pass up such as "pay for one year and receive the second year free" or "pay for one year and send a complimentary subscription to a friend."

I guess during these renewal times I neglected to thoroughly examine the mailing label to determine the expiration date. Just recently I performed this tedious task with several subscriptions and what a shock! One does not expire until 2012! This magazine just might outlive me.

Maybe I should consider making it part of my will so that I can pass this on to my children. Whatever the case, you can be sure I will be meticulous in reviewing expiration dates in the future before succumbing to another renewal notice.

And then there's the case of restaurants putting cutesy monikers on restroom doors just to confuse us senior citizens. This seems to happen more frequently in themed restaurants. For instance, a recent visit to the restroom in a seafood restaurant became an adventure. One door was marked "grouper" while the other was labeled "tilapia." I opted for the "grouper"

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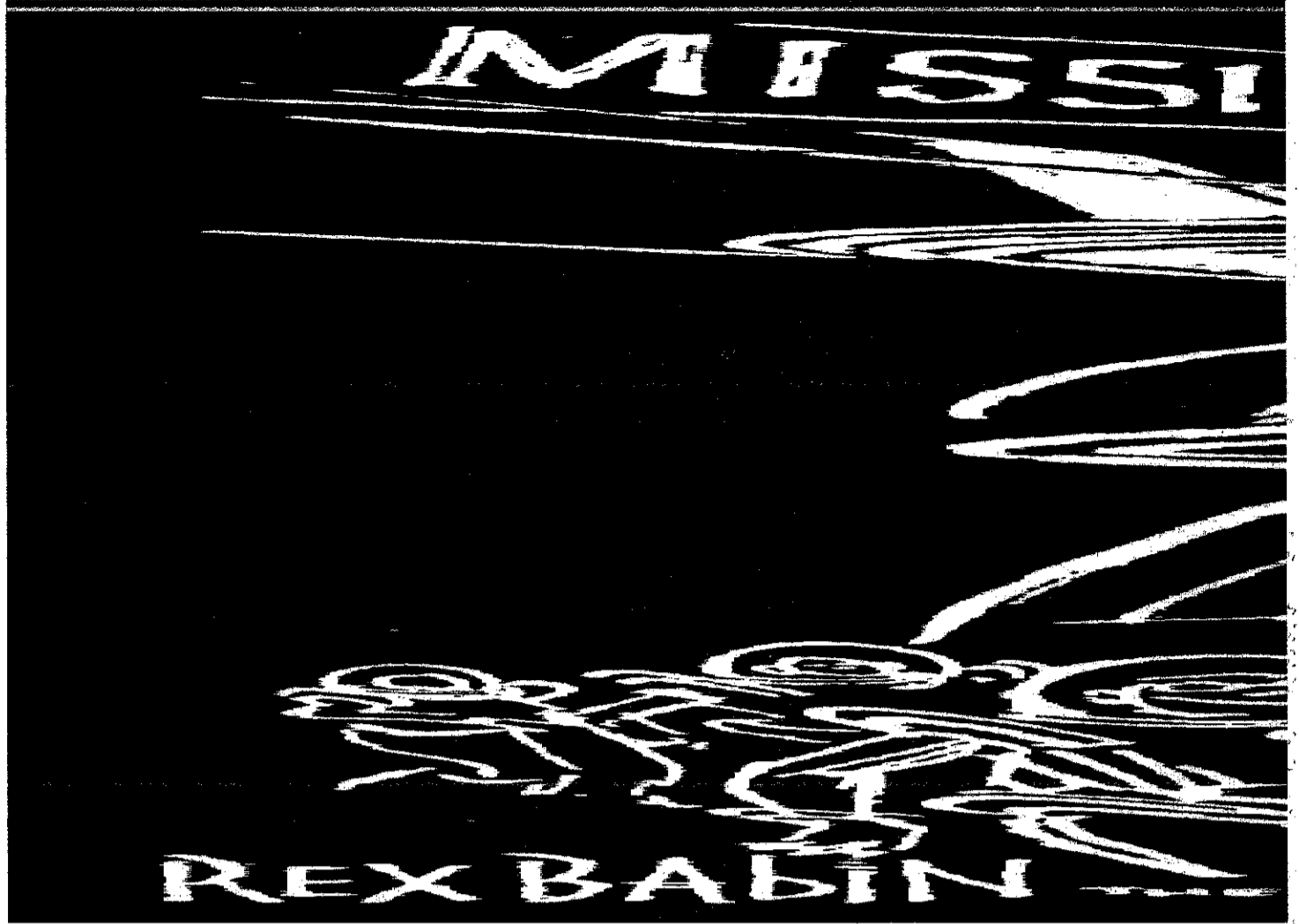
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### School board meeting

#### To the Editor:

When we elect our fellow citizens to represent Grosse Pointe taxpayers, we expect them to conduct themselves as they would in their own businesses.

While for the most part, I think elected officials in Grosse Pointe have so acted, I wanted to write concerning the behavior of certain Grosse

Pointe Board of Education members I saw at the Jan. 14 meeting as reported in the article, "School board members in heated debate," Jan. 17 Grosse Pointe News.

I was, in a word, disgusted with the behavior of certain board members, especially Brendan Walsh and Fred Minturn. Their conduct would probably lead to discipline in the private sector, but seems to go unpunished in the public sector.

The topic of the heated discussion was school board member Ahmed Ismail's request for additional information last month from a school administrator about the teachers who signed an e-mail expressing their apprehension about the proposed International Baccalaureate Program.

I was especially disappointed in the behavior of our school board president, Brendan Walsh. For someone who is supposed to be a leader and unbiased moderator, these traits were not evident at the Jan. 14 meeting.

Mr. Walsh's attitude and remarks to Mr. Ismail were appalling. It is obvious he holds little regard for his fellow public servant.

Even if Mr. Walsh doesn't agree with Mr. Ismail's point of view, I believe he should respect other board members.

The topic being discussed is irrelevant as nothing should

result in such boorish behavior.

Mr. Walsh's tone, as well as Mr. Minturn's tone toward Mr. Ismail was angry and inappropriate — hardly an example for our children on conflict resolution.

What I heard when viewing the meeting was Mr. Walsh doesn't want fellow board members asking for information directly from the administration.

Why not?

If gathering such information allows any school board member to be better prepared for a meeting, then I think they have every right to ask for assistance.

Mr. Ismail seems like an approachable man, so if he wanted to talk to teachers about the International Baccalaureate program, where is the harm?

Perhaps he wanted to get their opinions on the IB pro-

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GUEST OPINION By Ahmed Ismail

## School board concerns

**T**his letter is in follow up to the article "School board members in heated debate," Jan. 17 Grosse Pointe News, in which a portion of the unfortunate exchange between myself and fellow Grosse Pointe Board of Education members Brendan Walsh and Fred Minturn at the Jan. 14 school board meeting was described.

The interchange was precipitated by my expression of disappointment in the tone and timing of comments made by both men at the Dec. 17 school board meeting, which everyone knew I would not be attending, as it is the busiest week of the year at my place of business.

I hope this writing will help those who may have seen only a part of either meeting understand the reason from my perspective for our collective behaviors.

The comments made by Walsh and Minturn at the Dec. 17 school board meeting were apparently made to clarify their disdain of a request for information I made of Tom Harwood, the human resources director. Their comments were to clarify to the teachers and the public that my request was not made on behalf of other members of the school board and that the request was, in their minds, inappropriate.

I requested the data to try to figure out if there was any commonality as to why these particular teachers authored a letter sent to the school board dated Oct. 24, which outlined the reasons why they were not in favor of implementing the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program (DP) in our high schools.

The information I asked for was basically the schools the teachers taught at, their subject

area, e-mail address, phone number, length of service and tenure with the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

For readers not familiar with the IB Program, it is an internationally recognized education program which has taken the nation by storm. The IB DP is the only high school competency program which is internationally accepted.

IB programs are also unique in that their schools are required to integrate coursework across subject areas. Math teachers tie their coursework into what the history teacher is teaching, etc. Unlike our nation's existing high school final exams, all IB final exams from all schools around the world are graded at a single central location. This is to assure a student's grade at the IB school in Singapore shows the same mastery of the subject as the student with the same grade attending the IB school in Grosse Pointe, Paris or Beijing.

In our global economy, requiring that our students are held to the same standard as other schools around the world without the possibility of the curriculum being watered down for grade inflation has in and of itself made IB the "gold standard" of grades K-12 education.

In Michigan, Bloomfield Hills offers the IB program in grades K-12 and Troy is rolling out its program to serve grades K-12. Detroit Country Day and Portage high schools have offered the IB DP Program for over a decade. Saginaw and Midland high schools offer the IB DP Program. Chippewa Valley is in the process of rolling out the IB DP Program. Clarkston, Royal Oak, Berkley, Center Line, South Lake and other school systems have also either adopted an IB program in their schools or are in the

process of doing so.

If one were to research the top 30 schools in Newsweek's annual reporting of the nation's top high schools, the majority are offering IB programs. Many of the schools that have strong Advanced Placement (AP) programs as we do, offer the IB programs in complement to AP as many of the classes can be taught as AP/IB classes.

Two of my customers who are also teachers at Grosse Pointe South High School helped shed some light for me on how the anti IB letter came to be, shortly after I made my request for information to Harwood.

They advised me the letter was the result of an October staff meeting at Grosse Pointe South. At this meeting, they were led to believe the board was considering the IB Program at Grosse Pointe North only and it would be adopted to replace, rather than to supplement and enhance, our existing AP program in our high schools.

I have never attended a board meeting at which either concept was endorsed. In addition to the two teachers from South, another who signed the letter advised me they were solicited to add their signature to the letter against IB via e-mail in which they were led to believe the letter to be sent was to oppose the board not discontinuing the AP program in favor of the IB program.

When I advised them the board was researching adding IB to our AP offerings and not replacing AP, the teacher apologized to me for signing the letter.

One of the concerns of the many teachers who signed the letter we received was the \$100,000 to \$250,000 per year IB would cost — an amount some would look at as a round-

ing error on our \$120 million budget — could better be used to reduce class size. I felt this was a valid concern, so I asked Chris Fenton, Grosse Pointe public schools assistant superintendent for business, for information on this concern.

Fenton advised me that to drop the class size in every high school class room by just one student would cost the system \$624,000 per year. According to Fenton, the same reduction in our middle schools would cost the system \$444,000 and in the elementary schools \$666,000.

Community members, who know me, know that I have a propensity for understanding how numbers and statistics tie off, whether they are about our schools, our libraries or our municipalities. For many, my interest in understanding why numbers are what they are is the reason they elected me to the school board.

Joan Dindoffer, senior Grosse Pointe Board of Education member; past board members such as Lisa Vreede and Jeff Broderick, will surely testify to my insistence on understanding the data relative to an issue they were considering fully, even prior to my joining the board and surely before voting on an issue after I was elected to serve our community.

Many would say I am maniacal about it, understanding backup documents that are going to lead to action in our community. I admit it. My wife, Mary Ann, will surely verify that for better or worse, this is how I am about everything. I can't let an issue go until I feel I thoroughly understand the "why's" of it.

Suzanne Klein, Grosse Pointe Public School System superintendent, and Fenton

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I SAY By Kathy Ryan

# New Year's resolution worth keeping



It is probably safe to assume that by now most of us have broken many of those New Year's resolutions we were so sure we would keep. But here is one resolution everyone can make — and keep — and in so doing, pay it forward in ways you can't even begin to imagine. Right now, this week, preferably today, contact the Gift of Life Michigan organization and learn all you can about organ donation.

Then contact the Michigan Secretary of State's office and register as an organ and tissue donor.

It takes just a few clicks of a mouse to reach [giftoflifemichigan.org](http://giftoflifemichigan.org). Once there, it's easy to find the link to the Secretary of State's office. Once you register with the Secretary of State, you will receive a small red heart to affix to your driver's license.

That small heart sticker is all you need to make your wish to be an organ or tissue donor legally binding.

See how easy that was? Well OK, the procedure is easy, the process is not.

Everyone has heard the heart warming stories of a young father being saved by a heart transplant; the child giv-

en the gift of a long and healthy life via a liver donation; and kidneys saving not one, but two lives.

Great strides are being made in lung transplants for young people suffering from the deadly disease of Cystic Fibrosis.

An artist with failing eyesight can once again see the vivid colors of his craft thanks to donated corneas.

That's the happy receiving side of organ and tissue donations. For every happy side, there is the sad side, the process side, the giving side, the side where a Gift of Life Michigan representative comes into a hospital room to sit with a family at the most difficult time of their lives.

At some point the kind per-

son from Gift of Life will have to ask, "Have you ever considered organ donation?"

And that's why your resolution now to become an organ and tissue donor will make the work of Gift of Life and your family so much easier. By sharing your wishes with your family and stating your legally binding intentions via a small red heart affixed to your driver's license, you will be telling your family and medical personnel exactly what they need to know at this saddest of times. It is your intention that your organs, tissue, corneas and bone, whatever can be used to help others, will be donated.

It takes the burden away from loved ones at a time when most families can barely

function, at a time when generosity often escapes them.

Just as lawyers advise clients to speak with their loved ones about wills and trusts, just as funeral homes encourage people to plan funerals ahead of time to make a difficult time easier for those left behind, Gift of Life urges people to sit down with family members and discuss organ donation.

Some will consider it ghoul-ish, some will repeat the urban legends of tourists who visit Mexico and come back minus a kidney.

Some will refuse to discuss it for fear it will bring bad luck.

But, here are the facts, according to Gift of Life Michigan:

◆ Each person agreeing to

become an organ and tissue donor can save or enhance the lives of up to 50 people. Not everyone can be a heart or kidney donor, but nearly everyone, regardless of age, can be a tissue and bone donor.

◆ Organ and tissue donation is supported by all major religions in the country. It does not interfere with funeral arrangements and there is no cost to the donor's family.

◆ Gift of Life is the federally authorized organization that provides oversight for organ and tissue donations in the state.

◆ Michigan is one of the leading states for organ and tissue donations. Let's all do our part to keep it in the lead.

This is definitely one resolution you can keep.

STREETWISE By Renee Landuyt

## What do you want to be when you grow up?

If you have a question you would like asked, drop us a note at 96 Kercheval on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or email to [editor@grossepointenews.com](mailto:editor@grossepointenews.com)



'I want to be a Mom.'  
KENDALL ZINN  
Grosse Pointe Farms

'I'd like to be a veterinarian.'  
MADDIE MANCUS  
Grosse Pointe Woods

'It would be fun to be a model or a rock star.'  
KATE ZINN  
Grosse Pointe Farms

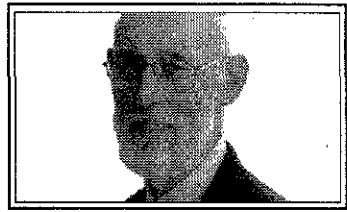
'I have a lot of choices so I am not sure what I want to be yet.'  
CAROLINE MANCUS  
Grosse Pointe Woods

'I want to be a Detroit Red Wing.'  
LUKE ZINN  
Grosse Pointe Farms

'Superman!'  
MATTHEW HOLDER  
City of Grosse Pointe

FYI By Ben Burns

# Pointer sheds light on mountain climb



When the Rev. Dr. Lou Prues turned 60, he decided to climb a mountain. Other men that age may buy expensive new sports cars in inferno red or trade in their spouses of several decades for younger, racier models. But Lou advises that climbing a mountain is the better financial alternative.

So the associate pastor of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian, who works for Lutheran Social Services, planned for more than a year to climb Mount Kilimanjaro on the northern border of Tanzania near the Indian Ocean in Africa.

He and his wife, Barbara, set out to climb that mountain which at 19,380 feet is more than 3 1/2 miles high and is one of the largest freestanding mountains in the world. At the base of what are three extinct volcanoes, it is a tropical 85 de-

grees, and at the summit it can be 10 degrees with arctic winds.

In a presentation to the Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Club last week at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, the Park resident discussed the spiritual nature of mountains to our lives.

"In scripture, mountains are always special high places of communion with God," Lou said as he showed photos, shot by Barbara, of the serene and rugged beauty of the place.

He also quoted the late Sir Edmund Hillary, who said: "It's not the mountain we conquer. We conquer ourselves."

Lou also said, "The whole of life is in the risks we are willing to take to make our dreams come true."

He said he believed like the prophet Elijah, who lived on Mount Carmel, that in quiet moments on a mountain top you can hear the voice of God. And, he challenged the group by asking, "Are we willing to climb the mountains that God put in front of us?"

The Prues' weren't the oldest members of the 11-member group. That title belonged to a fit 72-year-old who climbed Kilimanjaro in tennis shoes,

while an equally fit man at least 30 years younger had to turn back because he couldn't acclimate to the altitude.

Lou and Barbara reached the peak on Feb. 26, 2006. Since they were usually last in the line of trekkers up the mountain, the 40 support staff fondly referred to them as "Mr. and Mrs. Poli-Poli." That means slow-slow in the local dialect.

Mr. and Mrs. Poli-Poli are now planning their next climb up an 18,000 foot peak in Bhutan in 2009. I'd bet on them successfully completing that climb, too.

## West Point

Cadet Lt. John Bockstanz, a senior at the West Point Military Academy and the grandson of Bruce Bockstanz of the Farms, visited the Pointes over the holidays and reported on the state of the academy to the Rotary and others. He will go into the infantry when he graduates this spring.

The cadet leader told folks he was inspired to join the Cadet Corps by his granddad's service in World War II. Bruce, a bomber aviator, was shot down during the war in Germany a few miles from where his an-

cestors farmed. The beaten and battered Bruce spent the rest of the war in a prison camp for flyers on the Baltic.

He is as proud of John as John is of him.

## Upbeat

H. George Arsenault, who served as president of the Senior Men's Club and the Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Breakfast after retiring from a 30 year career with General Motors, is a happy chap, who most recently combined two books about his life experience into one volume called: "Seven Come Eleven, How to Stop Depression and Start Living."

It is basically the tale of the extended family created when he and his wife, Delores, joined forces after losing spouses.

The original volume was called: "1 + 1 = 19," which gives you an idea of how many children were involved in the extended family.

Think about feeding, moving, educating and nurturing a family that size and you get an idea what the book is about.

The book costs \$20.95 and George is always willing to fill in as a speaker at local groups

around the Pointes and share how he and Delores stayed happy, healthy and learned to deal with the 17 children they reared in Grosse Pointe Park.

The first edition of the expanded book with additional pictures and a group photo of the family, that now has more than 50 members spread over three generations, is available by calling George at (586) 773-2774.

Naturally most of that first edition got snapped up by family members over the holidays. George says they are a natural market.

## Exceptional

Debbie Liedel, who spent 30 years with the Children's Home of Detroit before her department was eliminated late last

year, is now working part time with Holy Cross Children's Services, the former Boyssville of Michigan.

The group is taking over the Foundation for Exceptional Children, a program that works with special needs children at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Leidel is helping Director Debbie Moffat plan the foundation's annual fundraiser to be held Friday, March 14 at the Royalty House in Warren.

Roula Kappas, Royalty House owner, is donating the use of the facilities again this year.

Tickets are \$30 for the silent auction, dancing, pizza buffet, wine and beer, and music by the Brothers Righteous. Call Moffat for tickets at (313) 885-8660.

GUEST OPINION By Dale McFeatters

# Don't say the magic word

It is considered bad form in the nation's capital to say "recession" out loud for fear the mere mention will bring one on.

President Jimmy Carter's anti-inflation czar, economist Alfred Kahn, was admonished for his use of that taboo word. Kahn announced that, henceforth, he would use the word "banana" to describe two or more consecutive quarters of economic shrinkage.

To break the '70s cycle of stagnation and inflation, he said, might take "the worst banana you ever saw," and in the early '80s Kahn was proved not

too terribly wrong.

The one permissible official use of recession is to dismiss the prospects of one, which Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke did indirectly recently, saying that the credit crunch, housing slump, energy prices and volatile markets, "seem likely to create some headwinds for the consumer in the months ahead."

Headwinds, but not a recession. The Fed estimates "sub-par" economic growth — but growth, nonetheless — next year between 1.8 percent and 2.5 percent.

That made the White

House's own recent forecast of 2.7 percent — itself a scaling back from an earlier estimate of 3.1 percent — look almost giddily optimistic.

The White House, too, though in considerably less guarded terms, did not foresee a recession.

The wild card in all these forecasts is the American consumer, whose spending drives two-thirds of the economy. As the Associated Press observed in its account of Bernanke's remarks, "A sharp cutback in consumer spending could send the economy into a tailspin." As if on cue, recently the

Commerce Department reported consumer spending inched up only 0.2 percent in October.

That weak showing is a bad omen for the holiday shopping season, when some economists think spending will be equally flat.

We'll honor Washington tradition and cause bad juju by uttering the wrong word.

We're fooling ourselves if we don't brace for the strong possibility of a banana in our future.

Dale McFeatters is a columnist with the Scripps Howard News Service

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gram. Maybe they had inaccurate information that he could clear up. Or maybe they had some good reasons to be against the program.

Either way, I think communication is key and I welcome it.

Mr. Walsh's comment in the Grosse Pointe News that Mr. Ismail is entitled to information that is available only to the public is legally and factually wrong. Board members have access to legal advice from board lawyers, and information in closed sessions, that is not available to the public.

Personally, I appreciate the fact that one of our school board representatives was going beyond just attending a meeting and actually trying to figure something out.

According to the Grosse Pointe News article, Mr. Walsh has passed a policy requiring board members to not request "such information" unless Walsh approves the request. This is absurd.

Each board member has an equal position to represent all Grosse Pointe taxpayers.

This is a ridiculous policy and as a taxpayer and voter, I would like to know who on the school board supported such a measure.

The president is only the meeting facilitator. He should not be a censor.

Does this mean if someone asks for information to take a position contrary to one Mr. Walsh holds, that he can stop the request to squelch dissent?

I'd like to encourage everyone to watch the taped Jan. 14 school board meeting on Cable 5 or 902 — or wherever Comcast decides to put it. This meeting will continuously air until Jan. 28. You can draw your own conclusions.

I personally hope Mr. Walsh and Mr. Mintum publicly apologize to Mr. Ismail at the next board meeting.

The good of the Grosse Pointe Public School System is more important than the inappropriate public showing of disdain for a fellow colleague.

P CORNWALL  
Grosse Pointe Farms

Wearing red honors  
troops

To the Editor:

Beth Quinn wrote an informative article, "Red Fridays honors troops," Dec. 27 Grosse Pointe News, stemming from an interview with me on wearing some red article of apparel on Fridays in deference to those who have perished in the service of our country.

Why Friday? It is speculative, but some hold Friday as a holy day, and a concentration on a single day should intensify the message.

Since the article was published, a number of empathetic friends, when seeing me wearing red, are embarrassed having forgotten.

To them and all others of like mind, just straddle Fridays on your calendars with parallel red lines and tell your

friends. It is the very least we can do to acknowledge the sacrifice of those who have volunteered.

DICK ROYER  
Grosse Pointe Farms

Ski helmet  
protection

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to urge the Michigan Legislature to consider a mandatory helmet law for skiers under the age of 18.

We protect our children from tobacco and alcohol and mandate the wearing of seat belts, and although I am against government intrusion, I feel this would be a law worthy of consideration.

I sympathize with the parents of the young girl who was tragically killed at Schuss Mountain a few weeks ago and cannot imagine a greater tragedy.

Sonny Bono, Joe Kennedy and this young girl would be alive today had they been wearing helmets.

As a father of three children that enjoy skiing, I have come to realize we not only have to fight our kids to wear helmets, but also other parents.

I wear a helmet and make my children wear one also. You would be surprised how many times parents have said to me, "You're not going to actually make your teenagers wear a helmet are you?" Yes, I am.

It makes it difficult to parent, when you have other parents and kids making fun of your rules.

The skiing industry should welcome a law like this. When a child is killed on the ski slopes, do you think this is good for business? The ski slope operators would probably be happy such a law was implemented.

I urge the Michigan Legislature to consider a law of this type. A \$50 helmet is a small price to pay for the safety of our children.

We can fix broken bones, fractured ribs, cuts and bruises, but a closed head injury is a problem no person should have to endure.

Helmets can help prevent this type of injury and I urge the state legislature and parents to consider the benefits of such a law.

DR. BRIAN J. HUNT  
Grosse Pointe Shores

Good customer  
service appreciated

To the Editor:

I am writing to commend the new owner, managers and employees of Ace Hardware in the Village.

The change under the new ownership has been remarkable. Customers are not likely to stand around for more than a minute before someone comes up to ask if she or he can help them find what they're looking for. And the answers people get are always informed and correct.

People will actually go to storage to retrieve out-of-season stock that's needed as they did in my case.

What a lovely experience to shop somewhere where people are actually interested in your customer.

ANCA VLASOPOLOS  
City of Grosse Pointe

TRAVAILS:  
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and fortunately made the correct choice.

Now, I have been in restaurants in northern Michigan hunting country where restroom doors are labeled "buck" and "doe" and that doesn't distress me. A country music dance emporium labeled "gents" and "gals" is fine. But frankly when I am under some pressure to enter the confines of commode headquarters, it is necessary for me to understand the sexes of various mammals and other species?

I sure hope not!

Several months ago, I was at

a restaurant that had clearly labeled the restroom doors as "men" and "ladies." But just to confuse me, the other side of the door facing into the men's restroom was labeled "ladies." Maybe some type of magical transformation was to have taken place inside, but for a brief moment I was discombobulated and looked around to make sure I was in the presence of male counterparts.

In any event, as a senior citizen it may be time to circumvent all these mind boggling choices and just bring a supply of Depends!

So as I enter the mystical age of 65 in 2008, my hope is for less confusion. I need stability in my life, especially if I'm going to be reading magazines well into 2012!

Bill Kalmar, a self described discombobulated senior citizen, is former director of the Michigan Quality Council.



## Zurich News

Juanita Gaynor of Grosse Pointe Woods visited her daughter, Alice Naski and grandson, Jonathan Naski, who live in Switzerland. The trio took time from their trip to Zurich, to read the Grosse Pointe News. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.



## Kenya News

Martin Blagdum and his wife, Rosann Kovalcik, owners of Wildbirds Unlimited in Grosse Pointe Woods, took a birdwatching vacation to the Mida Creek Estuary near Malindi in Kenya, Africa. When you travel, take along a copy of the Grosse Pointe News and have a photo taken of yourself in front of a local landmark. Send the picture, along with a few words, to: Grosse Pointe News Reader, 96 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, or e-mail to editor@grossepointenews.com. Your picture will appear in an upcoming issue.

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have dealt with my information requests for many years prior to my becoming a member of our school board. They have always been more than courteous about my requests, many times calling to see if they could provide the information in an easier to gather fashion, which I have always accepted. I have never been advised by any staff member in our administrative offices that any of my information requests were onerous. As a taxpayer and board member, I can do nothing but compli-

ment and thank them for supporting my need for knowledge.

Teachers who know me know that I am committed to helping them in any way possible. I often talk to them for hours at a time to learn their perspective on information I have been provided, and what they feel can be done with the information to make our schools a better environment for educating our children.

As Harwood acknowledged at our last board meeting, the information I requested took 45 minutes or so for his assistant to access from his database at a cost to the system of \$30 or so. He also confirmed that the raw information to complete the spreadsheet I requested was also available to any member of the public who would have requested it. Most,

if not all, of the information is available on the Internet. It is unfortunate for our community that some made assumptions as to why this information was requested.

The more board members educate themselves about the reasons behind any actions made in the system, the better they can do their jobs in serving the taxpayers who elected them.

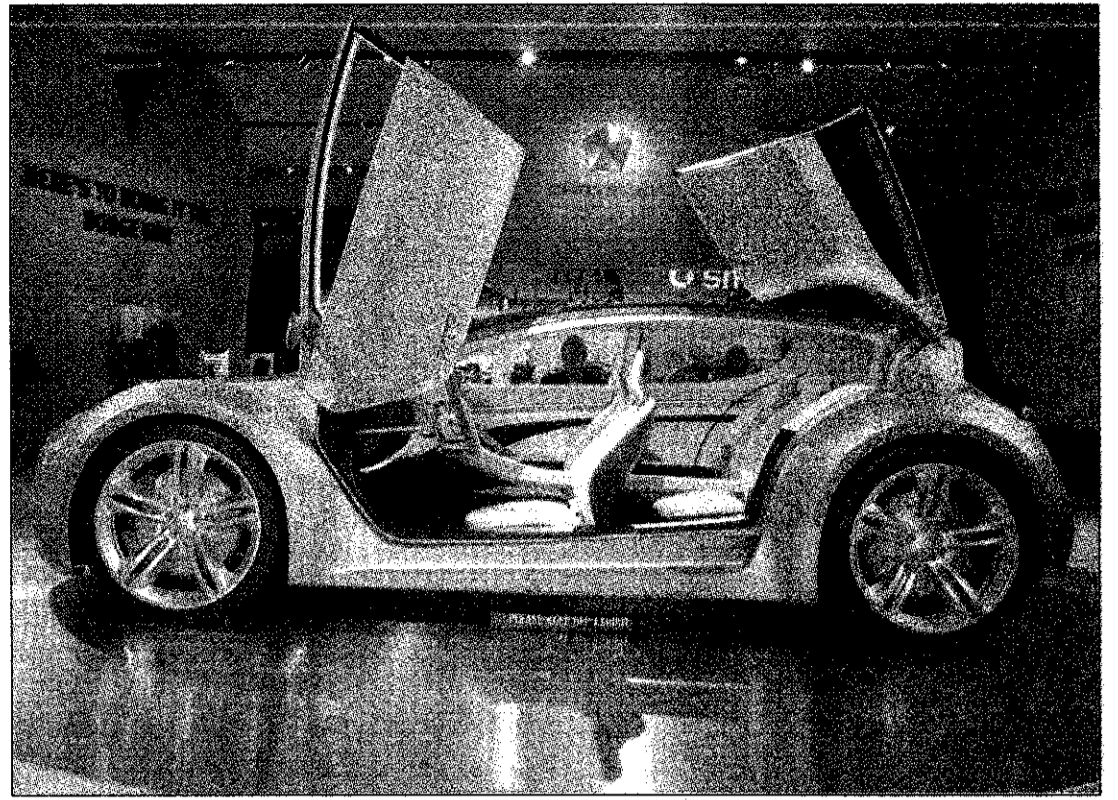
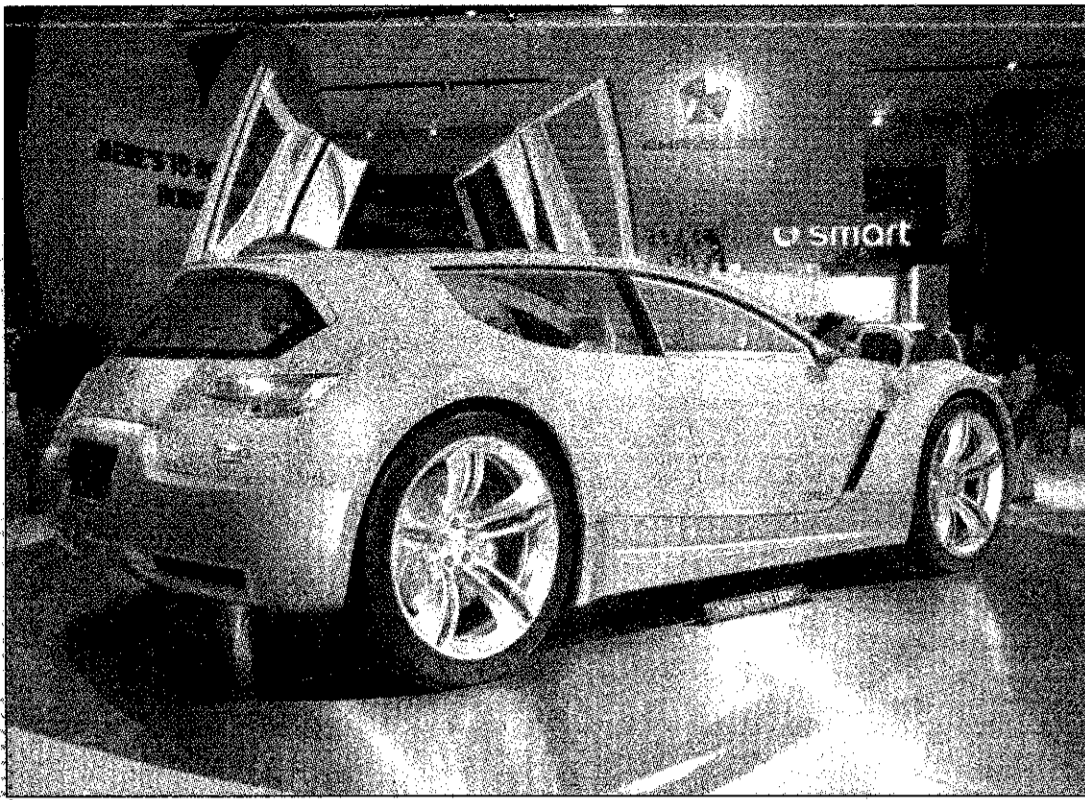
I work for the community as a school board member, albeit for no pay. The same goes for all of the members of our school board. Under our board policy, my request for this information should have been directed to Klein rather than Harwood, for which I apologize to both. None of us were elected as "junior" board members with limited rights to access of information or to re-

spect and common courtesy.

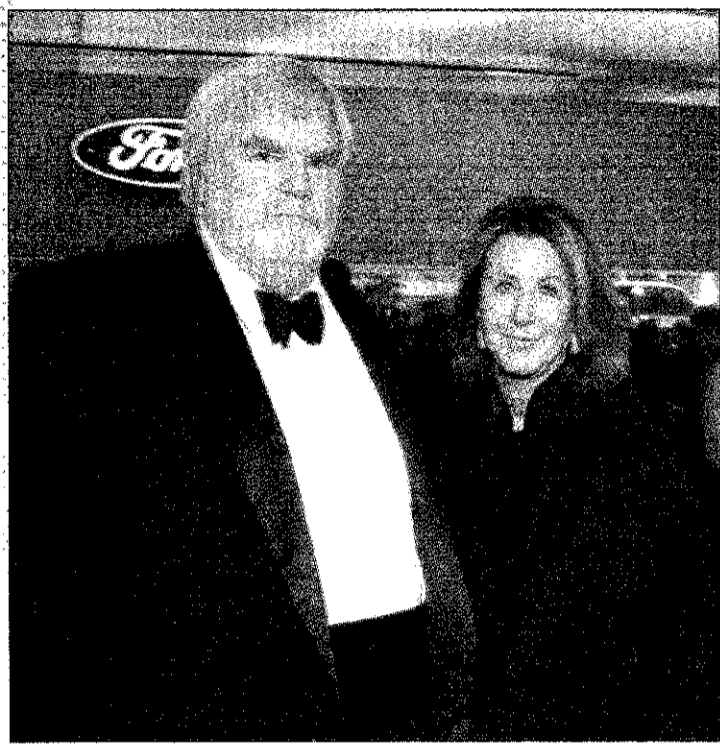
We have an equal right to receive whatever information we need in order to make decisions with a clear conscience and confidence as to what is best for our entire community, including the 80 percent of our taxpayers who don't have children in our schools.

I have never begrudged any board member's requests for information on any issue. We are a diverse group and all have very different needs for information in order to make a decision. Diversity and respect for each other as equals is what makes good boards work. We need to respect these differences and focus on using our collective strengths to better serve our community.

Ahmed Ismail is a member of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education and a resident of



Chrysler's ZEO Concept car as shown at the North American International Auto Show.



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Keith and Mary Kay Crain of the City of Grosse Pointe and Crain's Detroit Business.

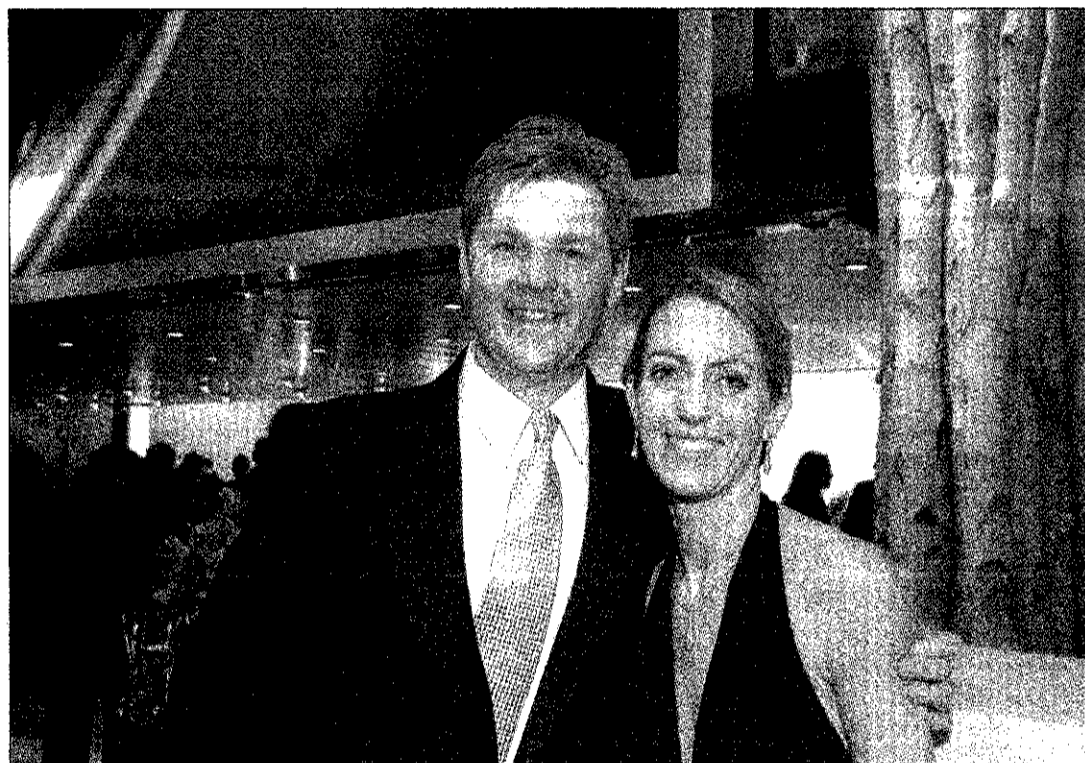
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Cadillac as shown at the North American International Auto Show.



Ford Flex as shown at the North American International Auto Show.

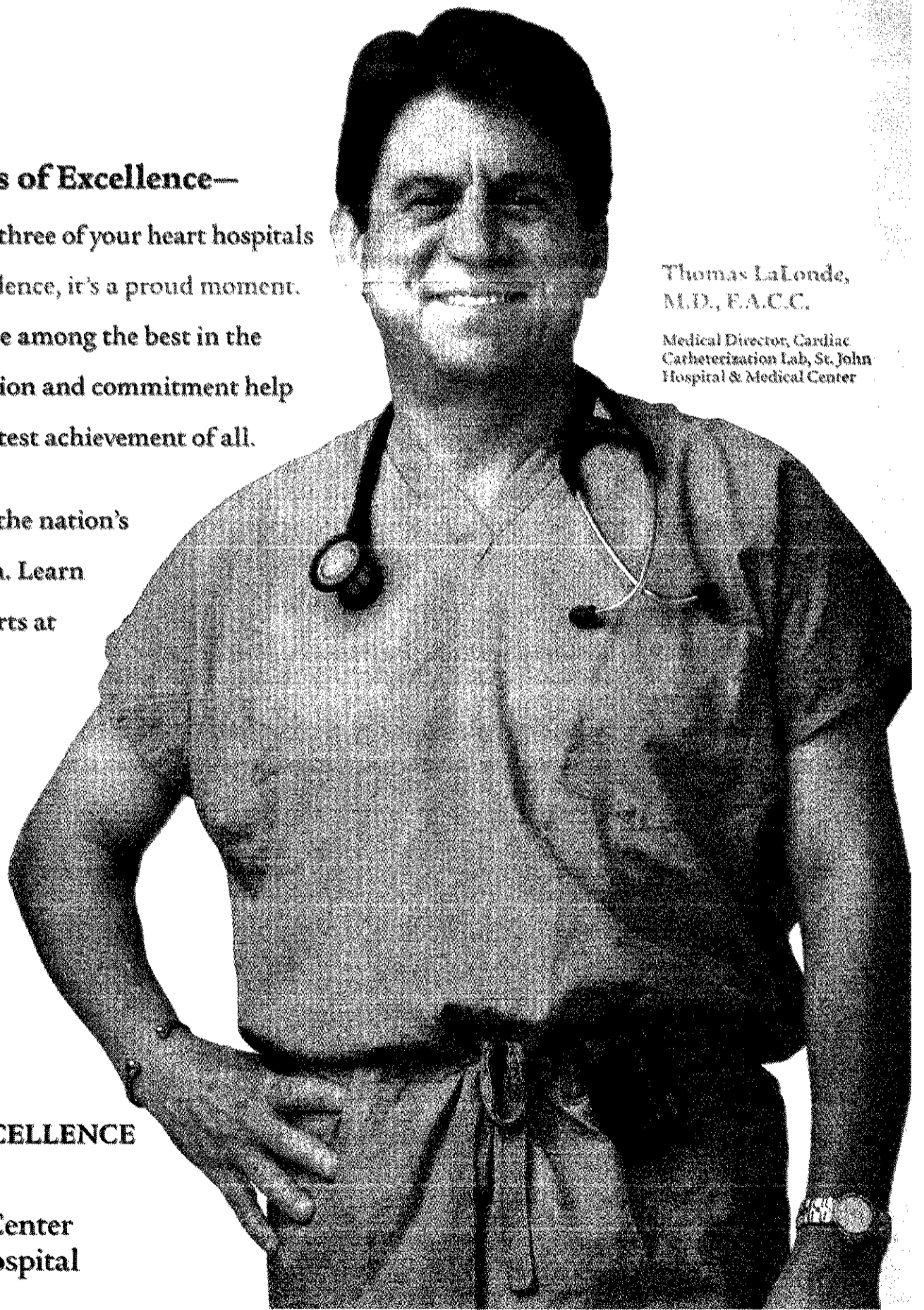
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# NEWS II

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### ST. PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# School gearing up for annual auction

St. Paul Catholic School will hold its annual auction at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Roostertail Entertainment Complex, 100 Marquette Drive, Detroit.

"This year's auction theme 'School, Parish, Community - United in Catholic Education,' perfectly reflects the St. Paul community," said Mary Miller, St. Paul principal. "There is deep commitment to the school at all levels of our parish community and our auction is one result of that commitment."

The auction features both live and silent auctions with once-in-a-lifetime items up for bid such as throwing out the first pitch at a Tigers game and riding on the Zamboni at a Detroit Red Wings game.

Signed sports memorabilia available includes game-used and signed hockey sticks by the four Red Wings captains, a baseball bat signed by Al Kaline, and a collection of items including a seat back from Tiger Stadium.

Jewelry, vacation trips, event tickets and many behind-the-scenes tours of Detroit-area venues also will be sold to the highest bidder.

A new feature of this year's auction is the option of absentee advance bids. Anyone who purchases a ticket may submit an absentee bid sheet for both the silent and live auction



Displaying some auction items are St. Paul Catholic School Principal Mary Miller, holding a handmade rosary; and, from left, students Kelsey Dame, holding a painting; Margaret Costello on a moped; Caleb Jackson; Micaela Fraser holding class artwork and Craig Buhler.

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items. Absentee bids for silent auction items will be a one-time bid in the amount set by the

bidder. Silent items have the benefit of a proxy bidder making incremental increases up to the amount set by the bidder.

Select pages from the auction catalog featuring the items available for bid can be viewed online at [stpaulonthelake.org](http://stpaulonthelake.org).

The goal for this year's auction is to raise enough funds to purchase all social studies curriculum materials and upgrade

computers in every classroom for the students' use.

Additionally, auction proceeds are used to provide enrichment opportunities that would not otherwise be available for the students and staff.

The annual auction is the school's largest fundraiser. Last year's auction raised \$160,000.

Helping with the auction are officers Msgr. Patrick F. Halfpenny and Miller; honorary auction chairs Michael and Kathleen Conway; auction chairs Damaris Perez and Marianne Weldon; and committee chairs Racelle Armada, Marcia Backer, Dale and Denise Burmeister, Marie Calcaterra, Sheri Ann P. Campbell, Laura Charbonneau, Kelly Fordon, Mia Fraser, Mary Kay Gallagher, Ellen Gormley, Janet Jackson, June Keane, Val Kmak, Maureen Kozak, Pauline Lessnau, Tammy Meier, Barbara Morey, Susan Prather, Beth Reilly, Dianne Romanelli, Jerilyn Sandifer, Laura Sullivan, Leanne Verderbar, Kristen Whitney, Clarissa Winter, Esther Wolfe and Diane Yenchick.

Tickets for the event are \$75, or \$85 if purchased after Jan. 28. Tickets include hors d'oeuvres, strolling dinner buffet and both silent and live auctions. Call (313) 885-3430 for tickets or information.

### OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA



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## Reading is fun

Jazmin White, above, writes down a list of several books she wanted to purchase during Our Lady Star of the Sea's annual book fair. All of the profits benefit the school's library.

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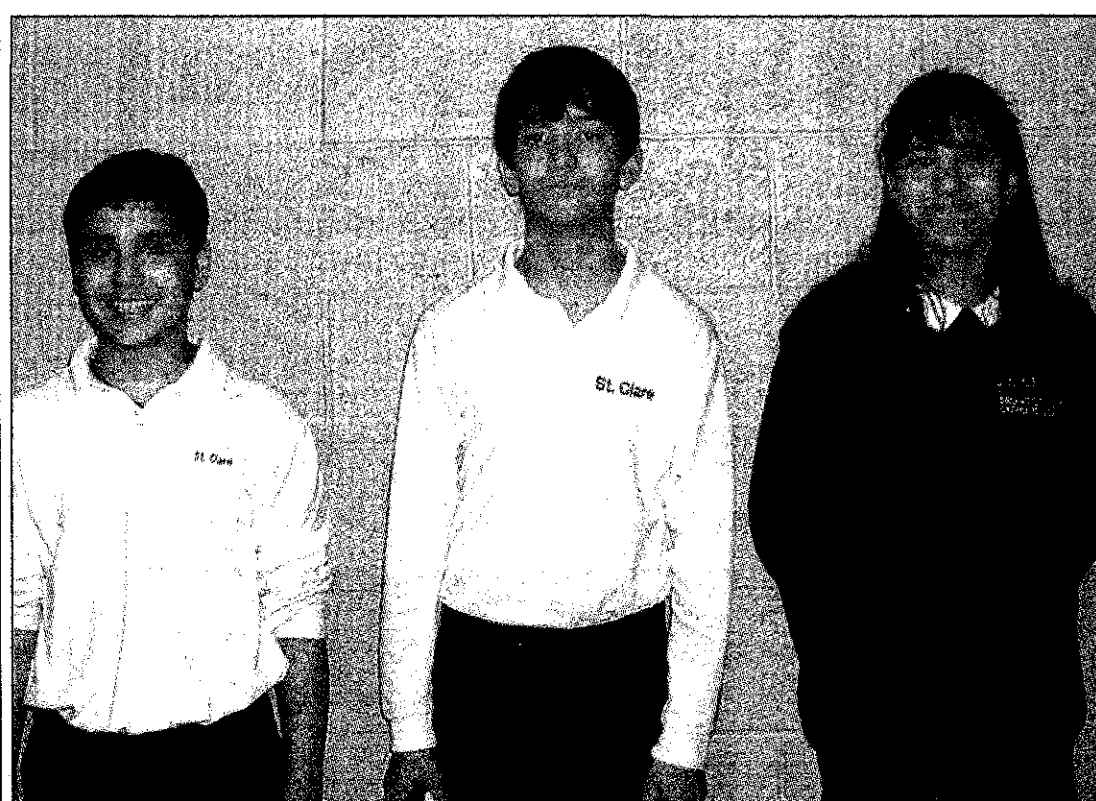


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## Fox performance

On Dec. 12, Grosse Pointe Children's Choir members, from left, Hadley Herman, Alissa Martin, Molly Walsh and Luke Bove, performed with Kenny Rogers, seated, during his "Kenny Rogers Christmas and Hits" tour at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. The choir, directed by Heather Albrecht, pictured above, and Carolyn Gross, helped the four practice for two weeks prior to their performance.

## ST. CLARE OF MONTEFALCO SCHOOL



St. Clare of Montefalco geography bee winners were, from left, Nathan Santoscoy, Patrick Thomas and Gabriele Mattei.

## Eighth grader takes geography bee title

Patrick Thomas, an eighth-grader from St. Clare of Montefalco, won the National Geography Bee contest. For the 20th year, St. Clare of Montefalco School in Grosse Pointe Park participated in the National Geography Bee. On Jan. 7, the final round of the competition was completed with Thomas, of Grosse Pointe Park, winning. St. Clare's National Geography Bee runner-up is Gabriele Mattei and third-place winner is Nathan Santoscoy. Both eighth-graders from Detroit. Santoscoy was the school winner last year and qualified for the Michigan state level competition. Thomas' older brother, Ryan, a St. Clare graduate, who is currently attending medical school, was once also one of the school winners, who qualified for the state competition. Thomas' winning question was "India borders two landlocked countries to the north. Name one of them." He correctly answered, "Nepal." The other correct answer is Bhutan. Thomas now advances to the next level of the competition by taking a written test to determine the state of Michigan Geography Bee competitors. State winners compete in Washington, DC for a \$25,000 college scholarship.

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## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# School officials give contract their approval

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Tom Harwood is becoming the contract guru. Harwood, the Grosse Pointe Public School System assistant superintendent of human resources and labor negotiations, recently helped the district and the Grosse Pointe Administrator's Association design another contract.

In addition, Harwood successfully negotiated a contract with the non-instructional supervisors. With Harwood at the helm, contract negotiations have been smooth. "We have concluded a successful agreement with the administrators," Harwood said in a letter to board members. "This is a result of several discussions regarding current

contract language and compensation package, which was previously reviewed and discussed with the board of education." Both contracts provide detailed language regarding lay-off notices, benefit changes, health care contributions and spousal coordination of benefits, and pay increases. The contract expires in June, 2009.

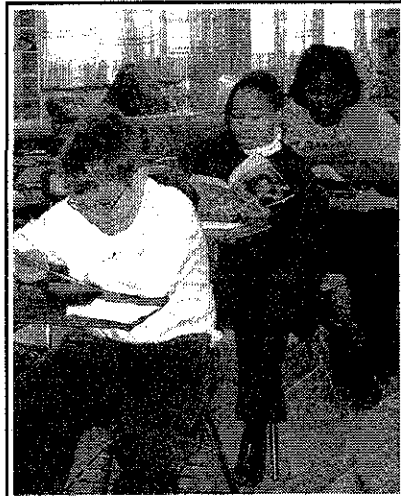
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POUPARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# Students work to create portrait

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

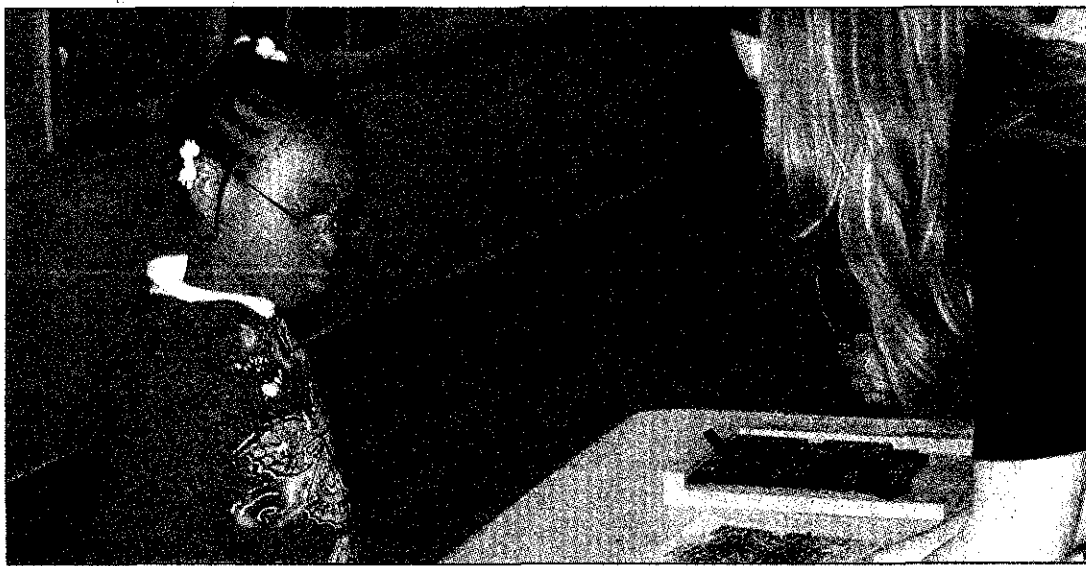
Poupard Elementary students put the power of perseverance to work last week, creating an image of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

In celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the school's 358 students are using dominoes to create his portrait, which calls for 12 sets of double nine white on black wooden dominoes.

Artist Robert Bosch created the domino-based portrait. Whitney Marshall, an Oakland University elementary education major, researched the project and found the plans online.

Marshall and Poupard staff members, including Noel Hribljan, Cheryl Gawel and Andi Cline, worked with the students, helping them glue each domino into place.

The finished project will be unveiled at an assembly for students and parents at 9 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 24.



Poupard first-grader Tamia Brooks, left, places a domino with Whitney Marshall, right, lending a helping hand.

"The students are having fun with the project and they learn at the same time," Gawel said.

Poupard Principal Penny Stocks said the assembly will be the pinnacle for the students, who have been studying about King in class.

Poupard students, parents and staff also will join for the school's annual March for Peace in honor of Dr. King and all men and women, who have worked to bring peace and understanding between people and nations at 1 p.m. Friday,

Jan. 25. The march will take place through nearby neighborhood streets.

Sometimes the students will be silent and sometimes they will sing or chant during the march.

PIERCE MIDDLE SCHOOL

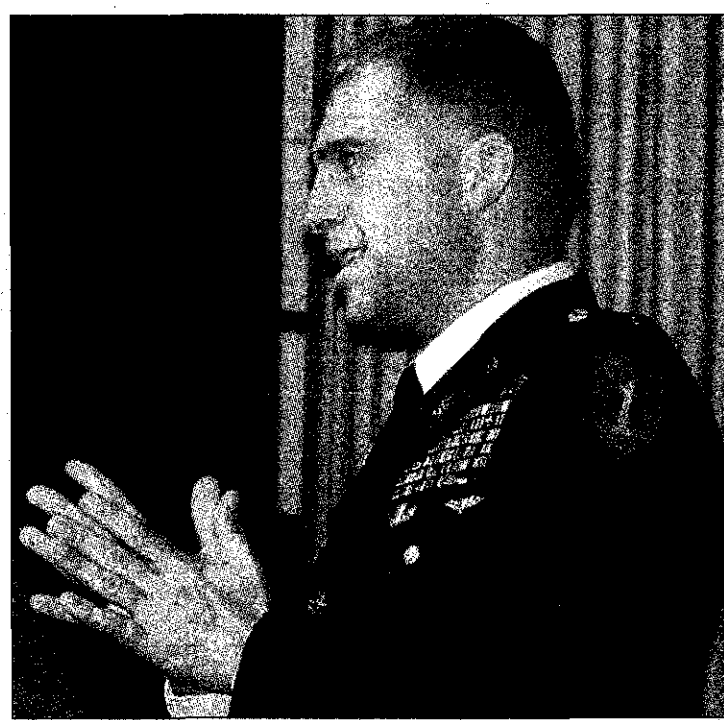


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## A true hero

Capt. James Harris, above, spoke to Pierce Middle School students about life in Baghdad as a member of the United States Army. He had his spirits lifted back in October while reading dozens of Halloween cards sent to him by Pierce students under the guidance of English teacher Brenda Taylor. He said when he returned stateside, he would come to Pierce and thank the students.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Foundation gives two donations to help schools

Readers and singers benefit from the latest donations from the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education.

Lorna Utley, foundation president, handed out a \$10,000 check to the F.A.S.T. (Foundation of Analysis Synthesis Translations) program.

The foundation also paid for

materials associated with the implementation of F.A.S.T.

"Our reading specialists and other student support staff are eager to add F.A.S.T. instructional materials for use with their students as a result of attending both presentations and a classroom demonstration," Utley said.

Teachers in the district's ele-

mentary schools have completed training for the program.

In addition, the foundation presented a \$1,000 donation to support the Grosse Pointe North's choir trip to New York City.

The Grosse Pointe Board of Education unanimously approved the donations.

— Bob St. John

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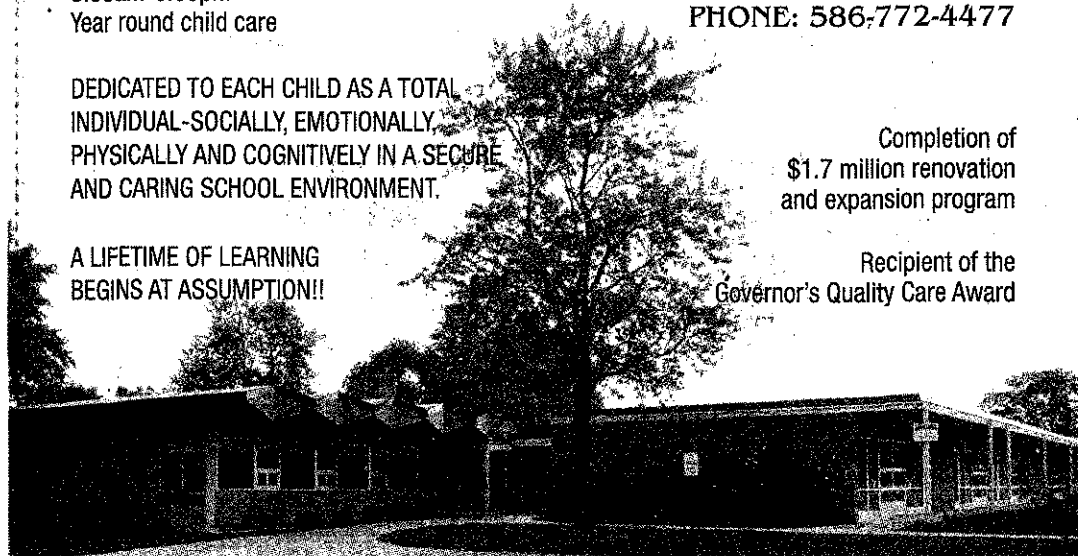
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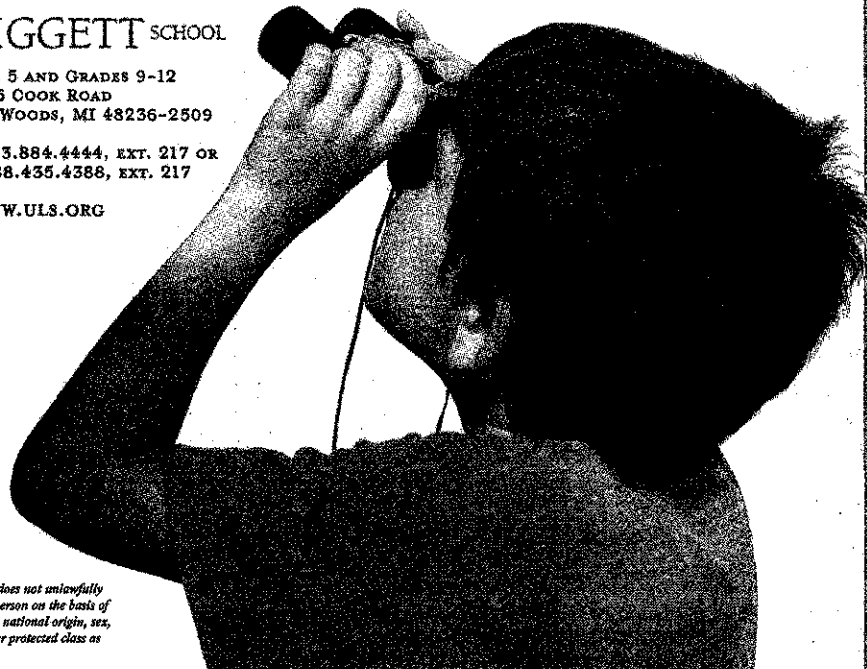
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# National City Bank Donates \$10,000

National City Bank presented a \$10,000 check to Northeast Guidance Center's 2008-09 Capital Campaign.

The check will help in the construction of a green campus on Conner in northeast Detroit.

The donation is part of the bank's "Giving to Ensure Healthy Futures and Safe Place" community giving program.

The bank's strategic focus on health and human services in Michigan ensures its customers, employees and community members have access to the agencies and community partners they need to stay

healthy and safe and grow to their fullest potential, a company representative said.

The donation will support conversion of a brownfield to two buildings on Conner and Charlevoix. The campus will include a Virtual Training Center in the Adult Administration Building and the new Motor City Clubhouse, to replace the current facility on Chalmers and Charlevoix.

The Virtual Training Center with a 100-seat capacity and point-to-point communication to other facilities will provide training to caregivers and professionals.



National City Bank Grosse Pointe branch employees, from left, Sharon Pine and Kimberly Youngblood, the Northeast Guidance Center's CEO Cheryl Coleman and CFO Trina Dixon.

## OLD NEWSBOYS' GOODFELLOWS

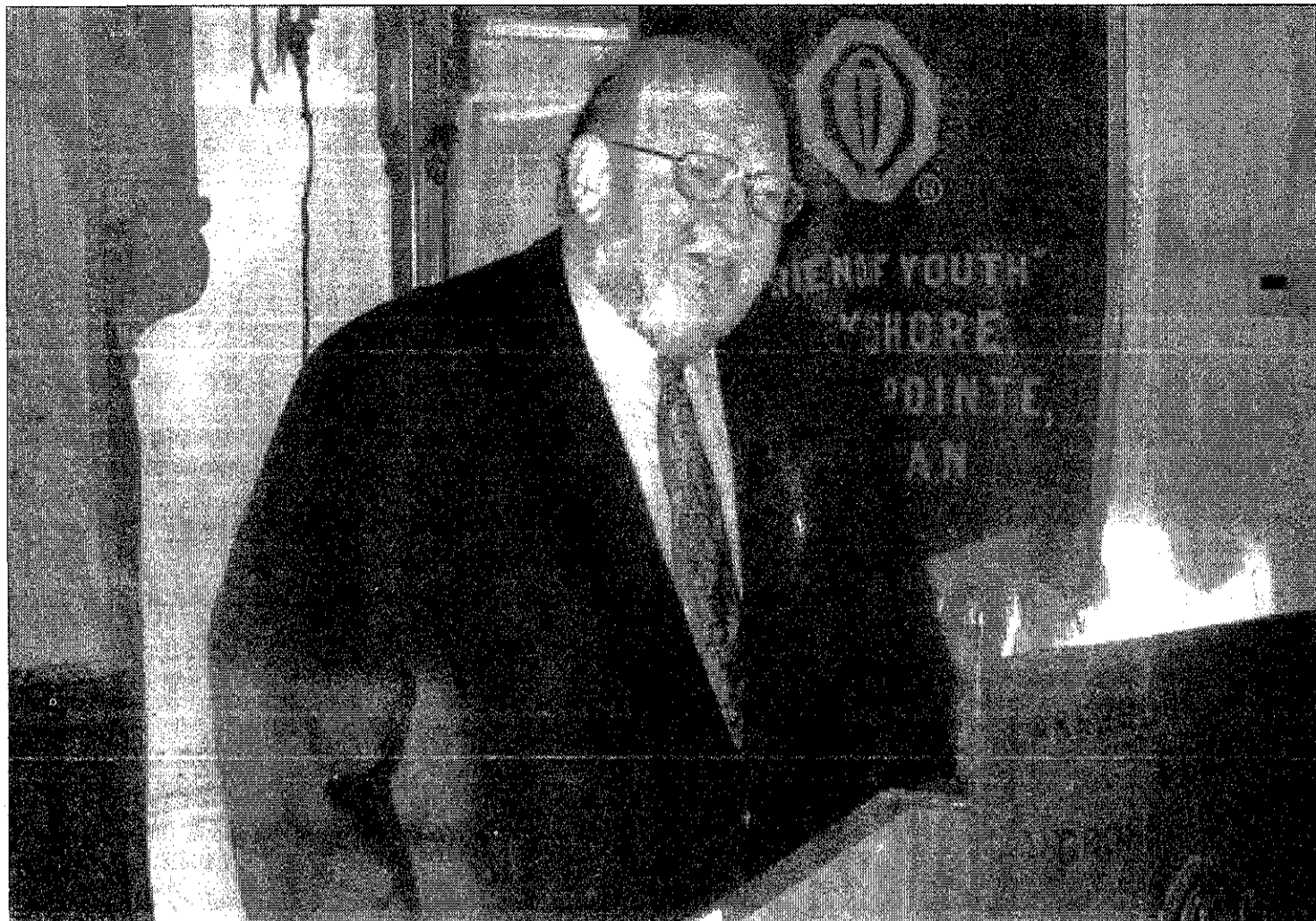


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# Goodfellows

Local attorney Jim Goss of Grosse Pointe Park, above, and local CPA Conrad Koski, below, of Grosse Pointe Farms recently visited the Lakeshore Optimist Club as part of the annual fundraising drive for the Old Newsboys' Goodfellows Fund, which provides Christmas gift boxes to needy children ages 4 to 13 in Detroit. Goss and Koski expect to raise more than \$100,000 toward the Goodfellows' \$1.3 million goal for 2007. The Optimists contributed about \$1,000 to its cause.



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**PEOPLE**  
**PRISCILLA V. HIRT**, an attorney, was recently included in the expansion plans of Lipson, Neilson, Cole, Seltzer & Garin, PC.  
 The firm announces it will be expanding its estate planning, probate and trust administration practice by acquiring the Southfield law practice of Steven H. Malach.  
 Malach, principal of his own law firm and head of the Center for Estate Planning, will develop strategies for and lead the expansion of the estate planning practice of Lipson, Neilson, Cole, Seltzer, Garin PC., which includes probate and trust administration services.  
 Malach's practice also encompasses business, family and real estate matters.  
 Malach has 29 years experience in elder law, estate planning and business law and will be bringing his staff of five, including Hirt, to Lipson Neilson.  
 Hirt is a specialist in elder law matters and a member of the State Bar of Michigan and its Probate and Estate Planning Section, as well as the Detroit Bar Association. She is a Grosse Pointe Park resident.  
  
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**TEST DRIVE** By reg Zyla

The 2008 Saab 9-3 offers sporty tight handling and is loaded with standard safety features. Several exterior changes are the new doors with matching handles and new lights across the board.

# Redesigned 2008 Saab 9-3 Sport Sedan



ing wheel. For those who don't like shifting, a five-speed Sentronic automatic is optional.

Other 9-3 performance highlights include standard Electronic Stability Control and Traction Control System, which work in tandem to identify and help control wheel slippage and skidding, power assist rack-and-pinion steering and the Saab Trionic Engine Management System.

New for 2008 are rain-sensing wipers and a tire pressure monitoring system.

Saab is most proud of its exterior and interior redesigns on the new 9-3. Highlights outside include a "semi-overwrap" hood, a styling cue taken from Saab's Aero X concept car. Essentially, the hood has a slight ledge that tastefully meets the front grille and headlights, rather than blending into a single slope. The grille, too, is more prominent in this new generation.

At the rear of the car is another design change, "Nordic Iceblock-inspired" tail lamps. The eye-catching design speaks to Saab's icy Scandinavian heritage.

Inside, Saab is a pleasure in all respects. It is comfortable, roomy and as quiet as any car we've driven.

Noteworthy are leather-appointed seating, a touch of wood grain and an audio control panel that is efficient yet simple to operate.

A long list of features include OnStar, three months of XM Satellite Radio, dual-zone automatic climate control with cabin air filter, cruise, all the powers, power-heated outside mirrors, wide-angle passenger-side



2008 Saab 9-3 2.0T Sport Sedan

mirror, leather steering wheel with audio controls, rake-and-reach-adjustable steering wheel, eight-way power driver's seat and 60/40 folding rear seat with pass-through. As for more simplistic touches, there are spacious pouches on the front of each front seat. Overall, the interior is first class.

Safety features are long and comprehensive. Included are driver and front passenger front and torso-side air bags, front and rear passenger side-curtain air bags, anti-lock brakes, mechanical brake assist, cornering brake control, front and rear crumple zones, and a safety cage energy management system.

Extras that add nearly \$5,000 to our Saab are extensive. A premium package, \$1,695, includes Xenon cornering headlamps, eight-way power passenger seat, rear park assist, front fog lamps and memory

driver's seat.

Another \$1,200 buys a moonroof package, including remote opener for the windows and moonroof. The \$550 cold weather package adds heated front seats and high pressure headlamp washers. Titan gray metallic paint added another \$550 and the final \$745 destination charge pushed the final tally to \$32,380.

Other important numbers include 19 miles per gallon city

and 29 highway fuel-mileage rating (we did a little better at 29.4 on the freeway), 3,230-pound curb weight, 105.3-inch wheelbase, 16.4 gallon fuel tank and 15 cubic feet of cargo volume.

Could it be Saab is stylish enough with its new 9-3 to attract the die-hard domestic buyers, considering they've already been softened by the success and aggressiveness of Toyota? We think so, and the 9-

3 will help the cause, while it also competes with fellow European sedans on American soil.

We rate Saab 9-3 an 8 on a scale of 1 to 10.

Likes: Quiet ride, much improved looks, simple yet attractive interior.

Dislikes: Even with a turbocharger, the 2-liter lacks power.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive writer.

This week we test drive the redesigned 2008 Saab 9-3 Sport Sedan, a turbo-charged six-speed with plenty of new aesthetic appeal that complements the Swedish automaker's strong performance legacy — base price: \$27,640; price as tested: \$32,380.

This Saab, in fact, has a more "hip feel," giving it needed ammunition in a tough market segment that includes Acura TSX, Audi A4 and BMW 3 Series.

The five-passenger Sport Sedan is offered in even sportier Aero trim, which starts \$7,000 higher. Rounding out the model offerings are a convertible and a SportCombi wagon.

Working off of its aircraft heritage, Saab tags the new 9-3 as "more jet-inspired than ever." Certainly, it has desirable new technological features, but as for "jet power," let's start here.

The 2.0-liter, four-cylinder, high-output turbo produces 210 horsepower and 221 pound-feet of torque. Although power output is noteworthy for a sedan this size, we don't feel the turbo provides the zip expected of a \$30,000 turbo sedan.

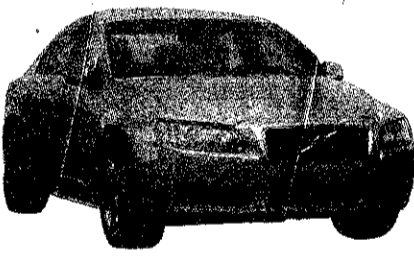
At the same time, however, we note that second gear will tighten your grip on the steer-

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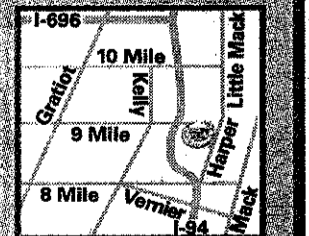
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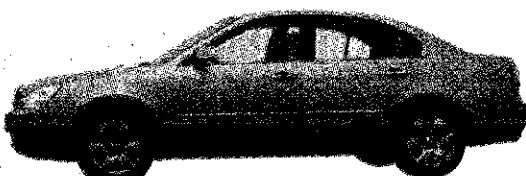


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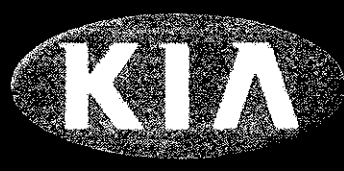


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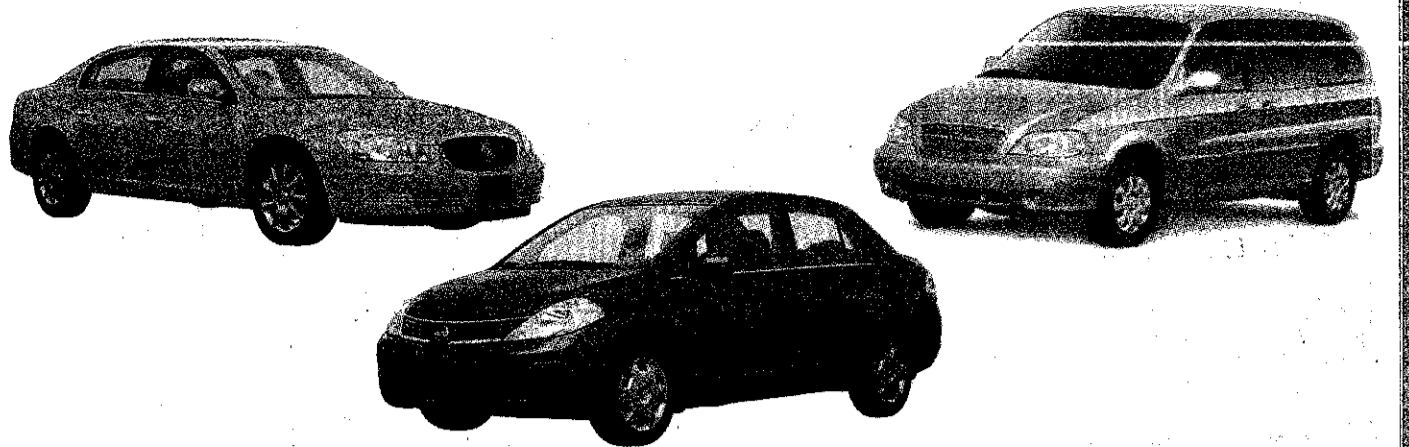
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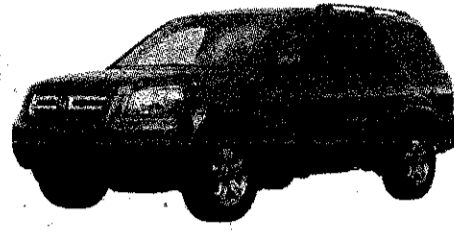
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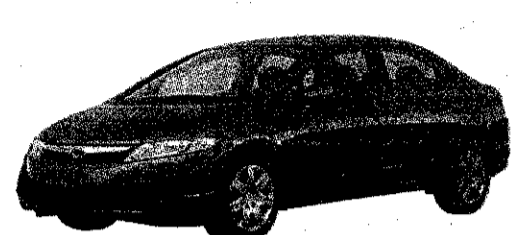
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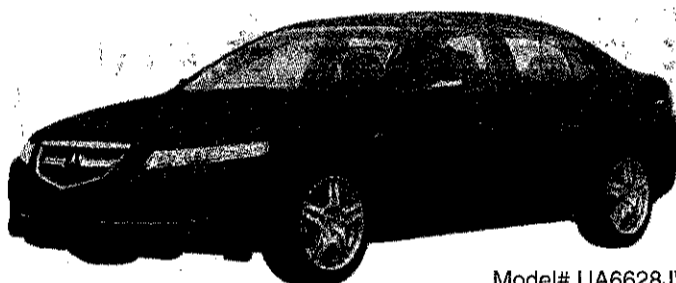
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## 20A | AUTOMOTIVE

AUTOS By Jenny King

The Saturn VUE is a compact sport utility vehicle that gets more 'European styled' looks this year. The Vue is available in three versions: XE, XR and Red Line.

# Saturn Vue combines style with utility



The Saturn Vue has morphed from a humble, squarish little vehicle to a curvaceous and practical crossover that is likely to suit the needs of many consumers.

The Saturn Vue, while not as glamorous as many of its class size competitors, has long been a personal favorite. It was practical and affordable, not putting on airs or trying to be all things to all SUV intenders.

Redesigned for 2008, the Vue is said to reflect "European inspired" looks. Whatever their origin, they have lifted this five passenger vehicle from its former sugar free, plain vanilla profile to the equivalent of — what's your favorite: Moosetracks? Mocha-almond? Tiramisu?

One payback for better looks was a loss of interior cargo space. The 2007 Vue offered 63.8 cubic feet for your stuff — with second-row seats folded. The 2008 has 56.4 cubic feet. Alas, an oriental rug-hauling assignment was abandoned at the last minute, so I have no real-life storage area tales to tell.

There may be some hard choices ahead if you are seriously interested in a Saturn Vue. There are a couple of trim levels XE and XR; a hybrid gas/electric system or three traditional gasoline engines including two V-6s; front drive or all wheel drive, a performance "Red Line" model plus a plethora of options.

Vue standard safety features include active head restraints, front row safety belt pretensioners that prepare the belts for use in a crash a tire-pressure monitoring and turn signals on outside mirrors.

The Vue, which Saturn calls a compact crossover vehicle, can be equipped to tow up to 3,500 pounds. Its towing stabilization system employs active braking to help control the vehicle in trailering situations.

Electronic Trailer Sway Control is integrated into the standard StabiliTrak system. It detects trailer sway that may be caused by improper trailer weight balance or excessive

vehicle speed. In these instances, StabiliTrak will begin to apply the brakes, independent of the driver applying the brake pedal, to assist the driver in stabilizing the vehicle.

The StabiliTrak activation telltale will flash to signal the driver to reduce vehicle speed, Saturn says. If trailer sway continues, StabiliTrak will reduce engine torque to reduce the speed of the vehicle.

And your Vue can be towed with all four wheels on the ground — we hope this will only happen behind your million dollar Prevo luxury motorhome, not in the wake of a wrecker.

The XE front drive and Green Line (hybrid) models come with the 2.4-liter engine with four-speed automatic transmission. This engine is rated at 169 horsepower in the XE.

There is no manual transmission available on the 2008 Vue.

The test Vue was an upscale XR with all-wheel drive. It included head curtain side air bags and side thorax air bags and battery rundown protection in case a dome light, for example, is left on overnight.

The standard price on this five-passenger crossover was \$26,270 — rather remarkable considering the addition of all-wheel drive.

This Vue also had a premium trim package with leather-appointed seats and heated front seats. This package runs \$1,075. A \$500 convenience package offered a rain sensing wiper system, remote vehicle start and a heated windshield washer system.

The navigation system added another \$2,145 to the bottom line and a \$325 enhancement to the audio system is also available. With its destination charge, this Vue had a total tag of \$30,945.

The XE with front drive starts at \$21,395. The XR and Red Line start at \$24,895 for the front-drive models; all-wheel drive adds about \$2,000.

Vues with all-wheel drive come with a 16.7 gallon fuel tank. Front-drive models have more space underneath and feature a 19.2 gallon tank.

Fuel economy numbers for the gasoline models range from 19 city/26 highway for the more modest XE with 2.4-liter engine and front drive to 15 city/22 highway for vehicles with all-wheel drive.



End to end with an earlier model, the 2008 Saturn Vue shows off its stylish new lines, which have cost a few cubic feet of storage space.



The Saturn Vue compact crossover parks beside its larger sibling, the seven-passenger Outlook crossover.

Assembly of the Vue has moved from Spring Hill, Tenn. to Ramos Arizpe, Mexico.

The '08 Vue is the fourth all-new Saturn model since the beginning of the 2006 calendar

year. The other all-new models are the Sky roadster, Aura sedan and the larger Outlook

crossover utility. The Saturn Astra small car joined the lineup this fall.

## Non-color wins favorite color contest

By Jenny King

According to a DuPont-sponsored survey, when it comes to designating a color "most popular" among car buyers, a non-color — white — has taken the lead.

White, it seems, is the new silver.

Silver, DuPont says, is "no longer the undisputed color champion of the automotive world." It occupied the "numero uno" slot for seven years,

according to the automotive paint company.

Actually it's white and pearl white that edged out silver in the 2007 Global Automotive Popularity Report.

A few years ago, a DuPont spokesman said blue was on the rise. Gold and beige along with silver, and of course white, were reigning supreme. Blue has been conspicuous in its absence among the most-popular colors even today.



Depicted, left, are DuPont's top five China color picks and DuPont's top five North American color picks, right.

A look at auto exterior preferences from other parts of the world confirm that globally we are a rather conservative bunch.

The DuPont study says black is the most liked color in

Europe, claiming about one-quarter of the market. Twenty-four percent of Japanese new-car buyers selected white/white pearl, just ahead of silver.

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP AS OUTLINED IN CHAPTER 50, ZONING SEC. 50-181 TO PROVIDE FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN SPECIFIC PROPERTIES FROM RO-1 TO C (COMMERCIAL).**

The ordinance is available for inspection or purchase from the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Woods, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 or [www.gpwwi.us](http://www.gpwwi.us).

G.P.N.: 1/24/2008

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City of **Grosse Pointe**, Michigan

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, February 11, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Grosse Pointe Council Chambers at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning Board of Appeals will consider the variance request for the following property owner:

Francis & Phyllis Huxley — owner of 887 St. Clair  
Request to not provide a four car garage to serve an existing two family house. No garage presently exists on the lot.

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on February 7, 2008. If further information is needed, please contact Grosse Pointe Building Dept., 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI. 48230, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Telephone: 313-885-5800.

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TEST DRIVE By Greg Zyla

The 2008 Cadillac STS Luxury Sports Sedan reflects the best design, technology and performance of its time. It's all about driving confidence on the road.

## 2008 STS V6 Luxury Sports Sedan



**W**e recently test drove Cadillac's 2008 STS Luxury Sports Sedan, a performance-bred, V-6 powered rear-drive sports sedan that is high on looks, build quality and handling — base price: \$42,390; price as tested: \$56,530.

Granted, we'd rather Cadillac send us the STS-V, powered by a 4.4-liter, supercharged, 469-horsepower V8, but rest assured this V-6 model is no slouch by any means.

I've always had a soft place in my heart for Cadillac. As a youngster, I dreamt of the day when I too would own one. Luckily I've owned two. One was an all black 1972 Sedan DeVille, the second a burnt orange 1975 Coupe DeVille. These were what I now call "marshmallow luxury" cars that wouldn't stand a chance in today's market.

Things have changed at Cadillac and all for the better. Today, Cadillac offers modern, high-tech cars that deliver world class roadworthiness, competitive pricing and a younger, more sophisticated consumer.

Cadillac owners, regardless of age, still won't mistake the STS as anything but a Cadillac. Visions of earlier designs still come through loud and clear, especially in the front grille area where the famous Cadillac logo sits.

As for the 2008, STS receives a new look aimed directly at consumers, who enjoy crisp styling and enough power under the hood to keep up on the



2008 Cadillac STS V6 Luxury Sports Sedan

Autobahn.

With its impressive vertical headlamps, signature grille, horizontal lines and uniquely shaped hood, you'll appreciate Cadillac's "look" wherever you see it. While the overall shape delivers a fast contour and more rake than its siblings, the final STS presentation is sporty yet still "Cadillac refined."

Notable is the first application of Cadillac's "Direct Injection" 3.6-liter V-6, which pumps out a credible 298 horsepower. Hooked to a Hydra-Matic 6-speed automatic with driver shift control, the STS is both authoritative in acceleration and an admirable fuel consumer, as 17 city and 26 highway are the EPA numbers.

The new Direct Injection also reduces emissions by 25 percent and raises the horsepower a total of 43 from last year's 255, so Cadillac receives

two "back pats" for this feat — make it three, as unleaded regular is recommended.

Our tester came standard with a fully independent, StabilTrak suspension, traction control, huge 4-wheel anti-lock discs and S-Rated 17-inch tires on aluminum wheels.

A V-6 Premium Luxury option added \$4,250 to the base and features head-up display, side blind zone alert, lane departure warning, DVD Navigation, enhanced Bose 5.1 stereo and a power sunroof.

A ISC package added another \$5,845 to the price, with lots of additional power amenities: heated/ventilated seats, 18-inch polished wheels and tires, rear spoiler, performance disc brakes, and many other performance enhancing additions your Cadillac dealer will gladly explain. Overall, this package is worth the extra

money.

We drove many miles on country roads and turnpikes and the STS felt great everywhere we took it. In tight corners under acceleration, you'll think you're in a world class sportster, yet STS still delivers the relaxation one expects when cruising the freeway at 65 mph.

STS's upscale interior features leather seats, aluminum trim and all the expected higher-end appointments, such as rear-parking assist, and the air bags including side and curtain for the front and rear. This car is as safe as its performance bred.

With \$745 destination, the fi-

nal STS tally comes in at \$56,530, where competition from foreign brands such as Lexus, Infiniti, BMW and Mercedes still fight for consumer dollars. However, in my opinion, STS is up to the task and worthy of a test drive, if shopping in this personal luxury performance segment.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 116.4-inches, 3,857-pound curb weight, 13.8 cubic feet of trunk space and a 17-gallon fuel tank.

We rate Cadillac's STS a strong 9 on a scale of 1 to 10, and would love to drive the Supercharged "V" before the 2008 year turns to 2009.

Likes: Looks, handling,

power, comfort, build quality, side louvers.

Dislikes: Somewhat pricey option packages, but it is a Cadillac.

Greg Zyla is a syndicated automotive columnist.

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### COLORS: Popular non-color

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Mexican consumers likewise picked white most often — nearly one-third opted for the non-color. Gray and red ran second and third respectively.

In Brazil, silver was favored by 34 percent of new-car buyers. It was followed by black and gray.

DuPont says it has been tracking consumer color preferences for about 55 years. It suggests white/white pearl is a sign of trend-shifting and that black metallic and other color effects will gain in popularity in the near future.

"It follows the global trends in home furnishings, fashion,

consumer products and industrial design, where we're seeing a return to white as a clarifying agent before change, a color of purity and minimalism," says Leatrice Eiseman, executive director of the Pantone Color Institute.

"White is also considered a fashion statement," says Eiseman. "The car you drive is a fashion statement and consumer preferences for white agree.

#### CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM 19617 HARPER AVENUE WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

A PUBLIC HEARING is scheduled before the Mayor and City Council on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers of the Municipal Building, 19617 Harper Avenue for the purpose of

**Receiving comments or suggestions regarding the 2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. These suggestions must identify and benefit community development or housing needs of low and moderate residents.**

The City of Harper Woods expects to receive \$95,000.

The primary objectives of the Community Development Program are to assist low to moderate income families, preserve neighborhoods, assist in replacing the urban infrastructure and to assist in meeting special needs of seniors and physically disabled wherever possible.

LOCATION	POTENTIAL PROJECTS ACTIVITIES	AMOUNT
Kelly Road Census tract 5516 Blocks	Street improvement Concrete, alleyways, landscape, electrical and Water construction	\$51,450
City wide	SOC minor home repairs Assistance to elderly and handicapped based on income SOC Core Program	16,000
City wide	Pointe Area Assisted Transit Handicapped transportation based on income	9,025
City wide	Administration Program management	9,500
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$95,000</b>

In addition, the City of Harper Woods may reprogram a portion of out 2005 CDGB funds originally designated for Kelly Road to the SOC Minor Home Repair Program.

The City of Harper Woods will apply for housing rehabilitation funds in the amount of \$30,000, which will be administered by Services for Older Citizens. Please write or call the Office of Community Development, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, Michigan 48225. 313-343-2518.

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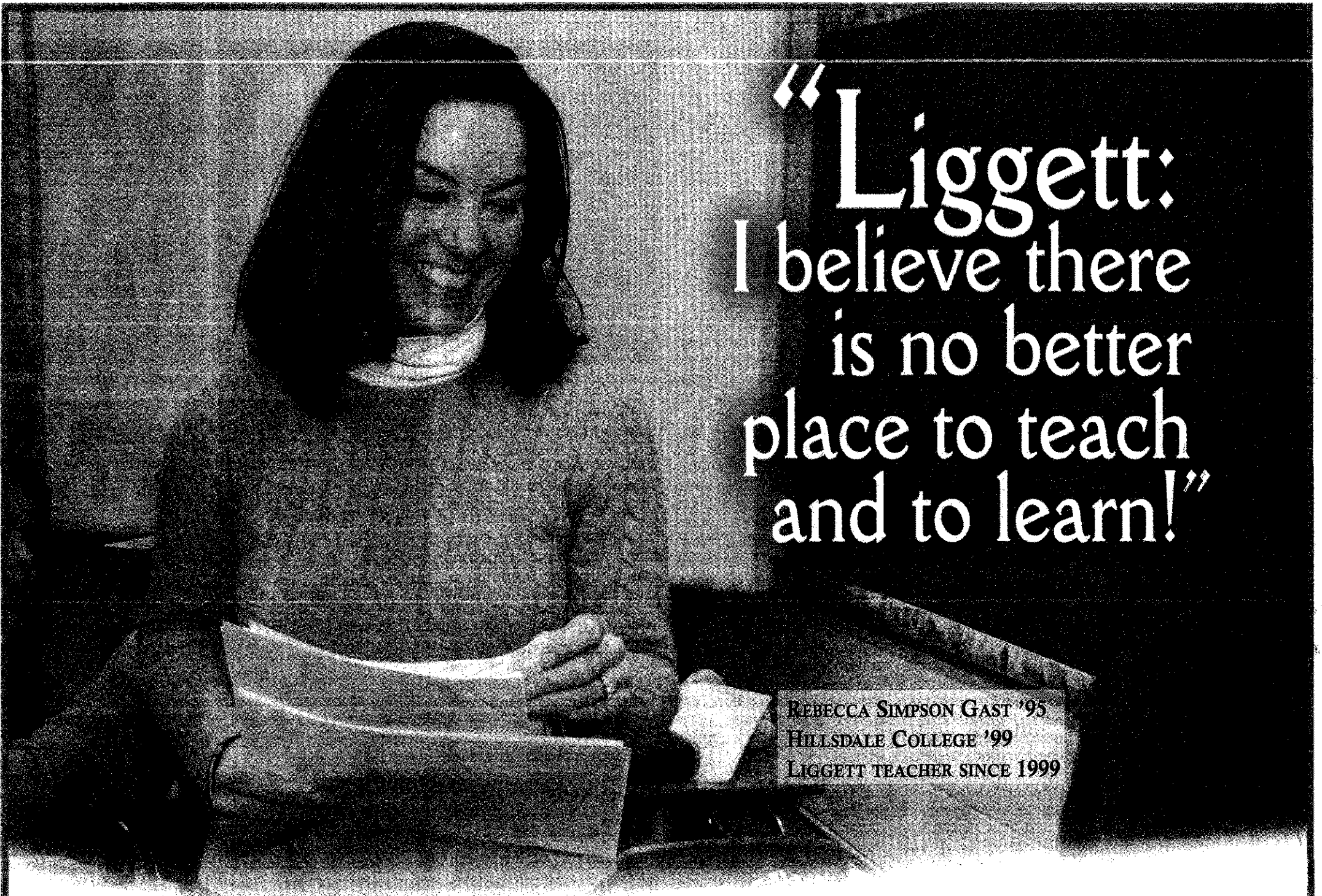
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I have experienced these qualities from the perspective of both a student and a teacher and I believe there is no better place to teach and to learn.

As a student, I loved how funny my teachers were, how passionate they were about the subjects they taught, how willing they were to spend time with us, and how much they enjoyed us, respected us, and cared for us. I remember taking a lot of pride in the depth and challenge of the material that we learned.

As a teacher, I love how I have the freedom in how I teach. I love the high standards and expectations that we have here. I love coaching. And, most of all, I love how each day, teachers joke with students, encourage them, and help them strive to be the best students and people they can be.

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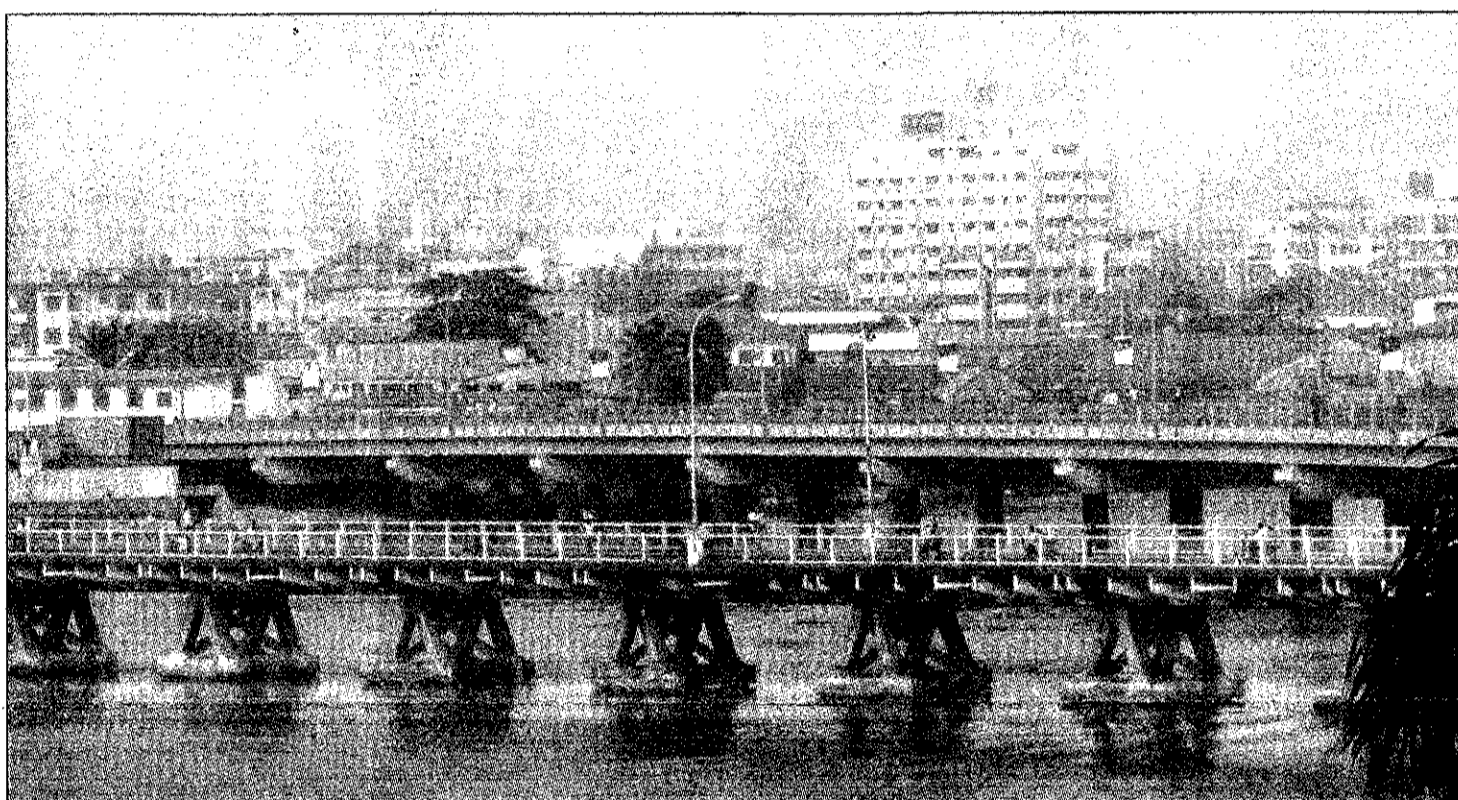
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PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY



## Extreme journey

It wasn't a safari but a safari was included. It wasn't a trip to a resort but there were resorts. For Christmas vacation, the Fouty family traveled to a small African country of Benin, which is on the Atlantic Ocean just above the Equator. It is a country of extremes. At left, is the city of Cotonou. It has high rises and modern bridges. The picture was taken in the morning when the smog is thick. At top right, women carry goods to market and home from the Cotonou market. Beninese live in small cement block apartments, others live in straw huts. They make bricks from mud, straw and water to build more housing units in the bush. For the story and more pictures, turn to page 2A.



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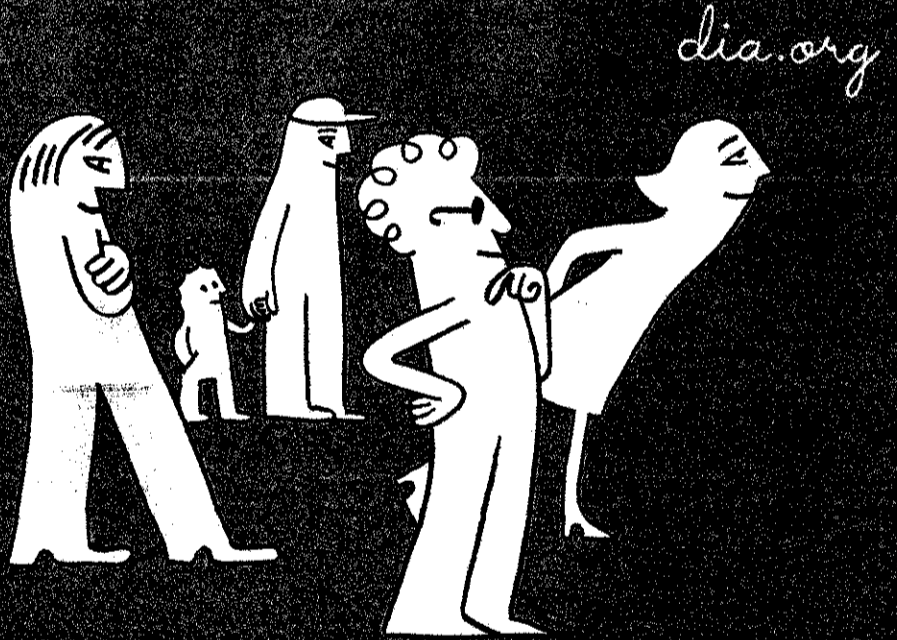
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# I've ben(in) there and done that

By Ann L. Fouty  
Features Editor

Where ya been?  
I've been in Benin.  
Thanks to my son, Ben, a Peace Corps volunteer, that's what I did on my Christmas vacation. I toured an African country which is in perpetual summer, ate the country's food, saw its sights and took cold water showers.  
Located in west Africa, Benin is the size of Pennsylvania and considered a very poor country by the United Nations. It has 108 Peace Corps volunteers (PCV) working in business, education, environment and public health. For 27 months these people of varying ages learn the language — French being the dominate language — and live the life of a Beninese subsidized by care packages from home.



PHOTO BY ANN L. FOUTY

Mama with her messenger bag and children engrossed with their puzzles.

We watched Beninese talk on cell phones, whiz around on motos (small motorcycles) and wear Nikes. Yet, we turned around and witnessed people clearing undergrowth for gardens with handmade hoes and families hauling in heavy fishing nets by hand using a palm tree as a brace.  
They also made charcoal to sell.

The Beninese cook their beans, rice and chicken over an open fire inside their homes. They wear T-shirts and blue jeans. They drink Coca-Cola and Guinness. But they also drink wine made from calabash and carry everything in large containers perched atop their heads.

It's a country of extremes and it was an amazing trip to this subequatorial climate. The south was hot (90 degrees F) during the day and comfortable at night; the north was hot during the day and cooled to the 60s in the evening.

## Natitingou

Here was where my son and 57 other volunteers spent their first three months in training.

We met Yacoubou Moussa, his wife, Rakiatou Abdoulay, and their sons Madjidou, 10, Waliou, 7, and Mowkadam, 3. Moussa was my son's foster father those first months, teaching him French and the Beninese ways. He worried over my son when he was sick and couldn't eat. And he and his wife welcomed us into their home, which had few ceiling lights, a DVD player and television.

There we ate the traditional beans, rice, cous cous and chicken. Especially for us, he had purchased, at great cost, a delicious chocolate cookie, similar to a large Oreo but much better.

A leather worker by trade, he is also the president of the 52-member Ong Eveil des Handicapes, an organization with the mission of improving the lives of handicapped people in his city. In his words, he is "lifting up the handicap."

Moussa and a cousin, who lives in his housing unit, are both disabled.

PCV Jose from Virginia tells

of how Moussa purchased an abandoned box car, had it moved to his property and refurbished it to house his cousin's hair salon and his second business. Moussa employs only handicapped people to filter and package water. It's a simple procedure, yet so needed in this country. He said that it was difficult to get start up capital for his business but had managed to borrow enough to get started. In about six months, Moussa will have his loan paid off. He is a true entrepreneur in our minds.

"Everything I've seen in pictures was before my eyes ... the people, the color, the dust, the domesticated animals, the red clay brick buildings, the market, the grass huts, the dry ... it's all here," I wrote in my journal. "The people are friendly and smiling. It's a welcoming country. The warmth of the people is infectious."

## Safari

Pendjari National Park, Parc National de la Pendjari, in the far northern section of the country was our next stop. There were elephants, baboons, gazelles, buffalo, wart hogs, horse deer, hippos, crocodiles and birds of all colors and all sizes.

A stop by a termite mound, which stretched well above my son's height of 6 feet 6 inches, are plentiful in the north and resemble castles.

The country's president, Boni Yayi, has told President Bush he is pleased with PCV and would like more. He would also like to improve tourism and has begun a road paving program and building gas stations, under the familiar name of Total.

A hardy tourist can see sights and gather stories for a lifetime.

I touched and photographed empty weaver bird nests, said, "Hey, hold still. I want to take your picture," to a variety of colorful lizards and marveled at the quantity of goods in the crowded market. I ate freshly

picked pineapple and bananas. And, I ate more red dust and sand from the Sahara than I care to think about.

## Kerou

The goat bleated under the window. The cock crowed before sunup and at 5 a.m. there was the Muslim call to prayer. What a great way to begin the day in the city where my son lives.

We were staying at the French Catholic mission, which is under the guidance of Vincent Renad. Our payment was three pounds of dried Traverse City cherries. I've made a convert of him. He's coming to Michigan for the Cherry Festival.

Candy canes and small puzzles were brought for the children of my son's housing unit. Mama, the head of the family, was thrilled because as the children rolled four balls into depressions again and again they would stay out of her hair. A Grosse Pointe News hat and a messenger bag for Papa is a very small payment for watching over our son.

We took a trip to the community gardens where Ben is building a small box dam to help with the continued irrigation of the community gardens.

Then it was off to one of my favorite parts of the entire trip,



At right, Peace Corps volunteer Ben Fouty explains the dynamics of the foot pump, while his mother gently presses the pedal to force the water up and into the bucket for a resident of Kerou. This pump is located on the grounds of the Catholic mission, seen in the background.

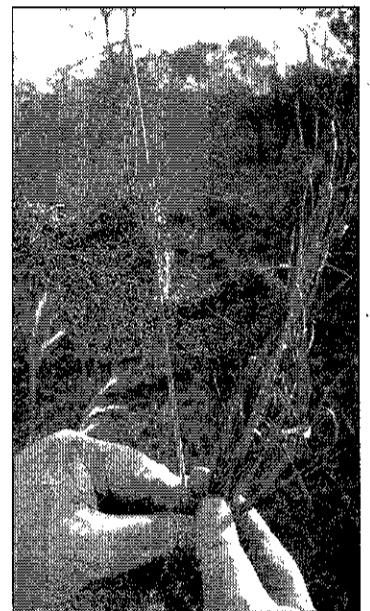
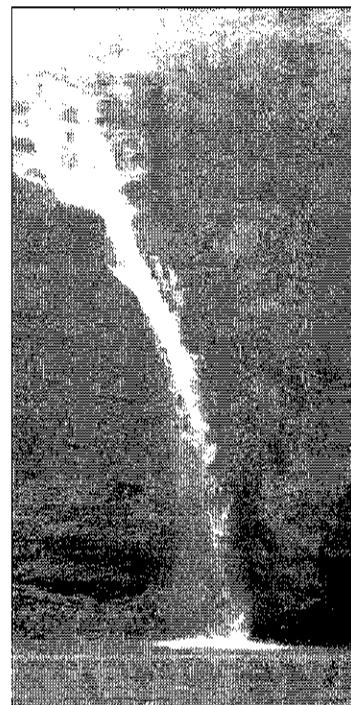
saluaing (meeting and greeting).

What equates to a county government is housed in Kerou, thus we met the clerk, community housing development director, the police chief and most importantly, la maire, the mayor, who proudly told us she had been to the United States. She is running for her second five-year term in February.

The police chief, in his first term, bedecked with a Grosse Pointe News hat, gave us two penders, small chickens. The school principal was most appreciative of another Grosse Pointe News hat, maps of Africa and the world and a pin from my daughter's high school.

The gifts were simple, the smiles wide and genuine of all those whom we met. These are happy people; a country of tribes getting along and a forward looking administration, both at the local and federal level.

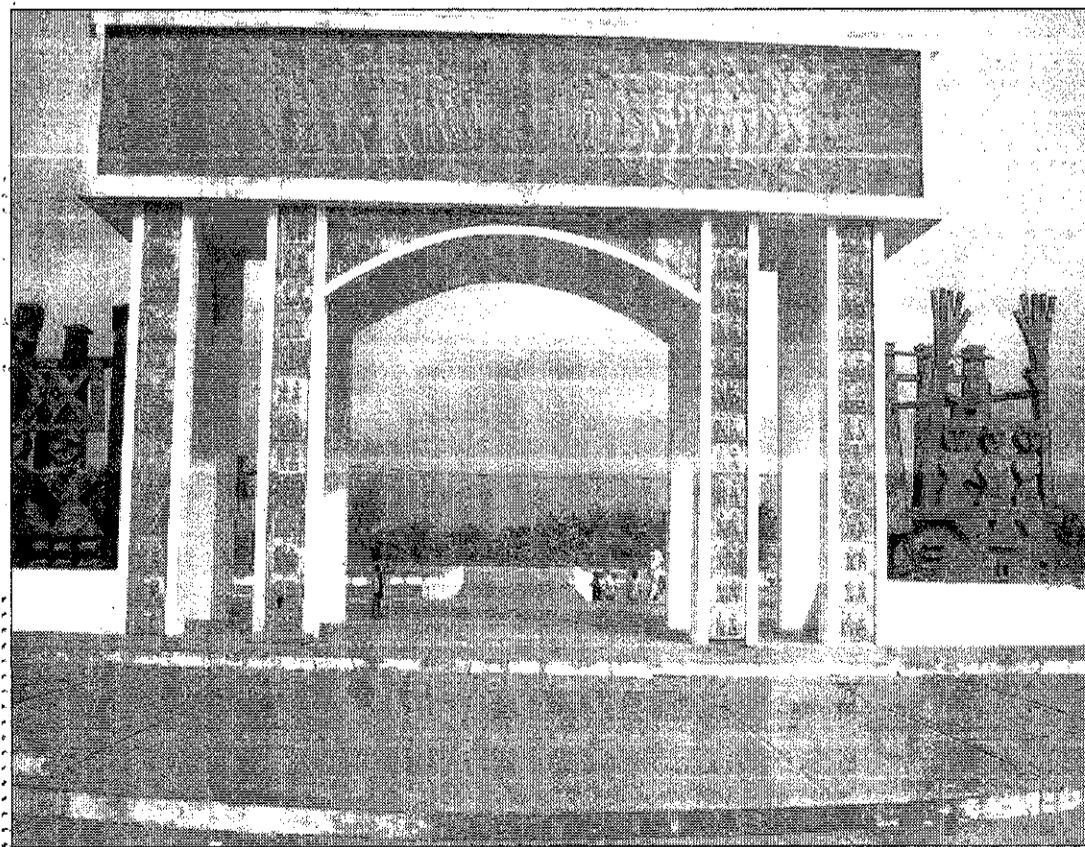
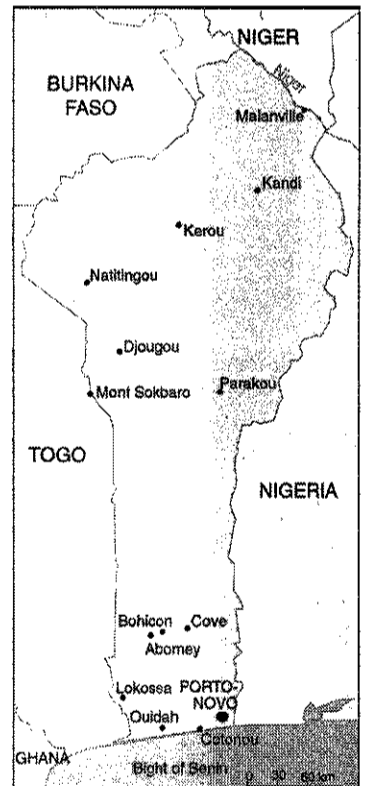
Government officials from Cotonou in the south to Kerou in the north have welcomed Peace Corps volunteers to teach their children, improve their environment and farming methods, improve their public health issues, decrease female



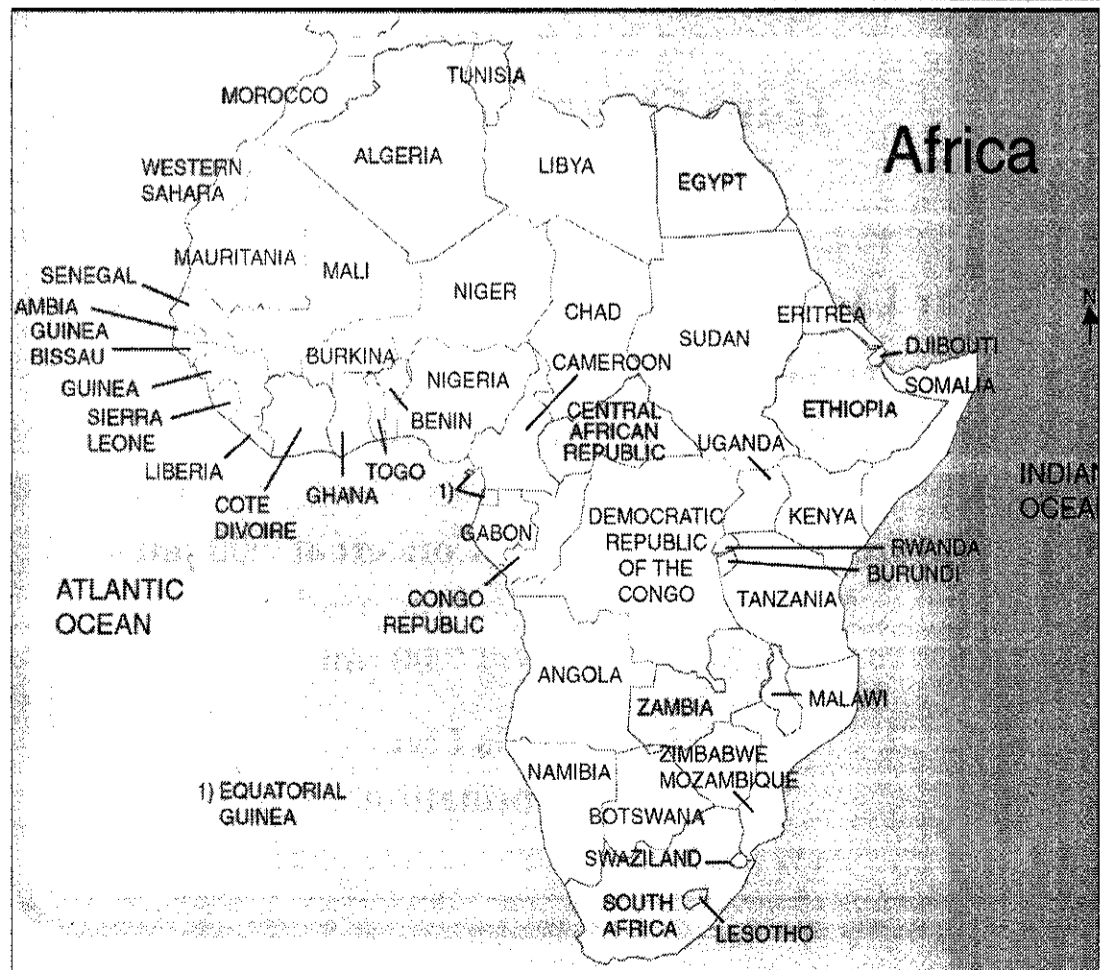
Above, two empty weaver bird nests found in the Pendjari National Park located on the northern border of Benin. At left, Tanougou Falls were discovered five years ago by Peace Corps volunteers and have become a regular stop for tourists. The vines on the right and the clear water would be perfect for Tarzan.



The Natitingou market place.



The ocean drive to Ouidah was beautiful with the palm houses and piles of clam shells. It was here we saw the Portal of No Return. It was from this area many slaves were loaded on ships and sent to North and South America. This is the monument to those people.





## Pitching in

Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club volunteers pitch in to make the WinterFest on the Hill a success by handing out hot dogs. Volunteers from the boat club are also on hand to help with the Grosse Pointe Farms Easter Egg Hunt, the Annual Regatta at the Pier Park and more events. For membership information contact Nadine Pendolino at (313) 882-8595.

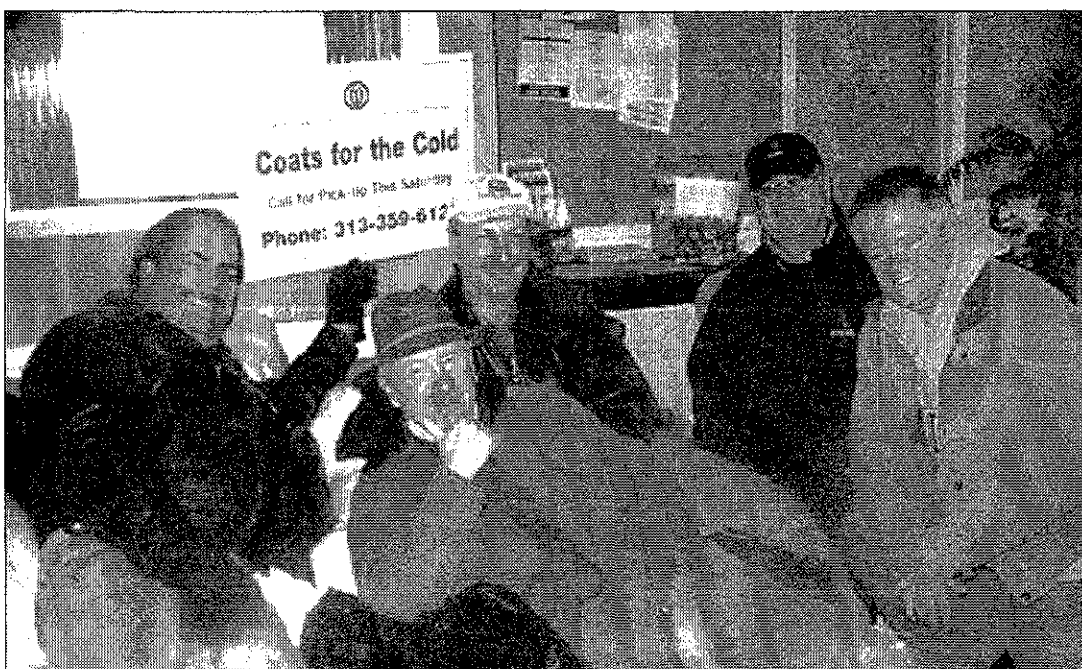


PHOTO BY KENT COOMER

## A coat gathering

The Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe held its annual "Coats for the Cold" community clothing collection on Dec. 1, gathering clothing donations for My Father's Business, an outreach ministry to help families in Detroit. Pictured on collection day from left to right are Optimist Club members representing the five Grosse Pointe Communities: Kryss Schroeder of Grosse Pointe Woods, Doug Cordier of Grosse Pointe Farms, Kent Commer of Grosse Pointe Park, John Koski of Grosse Pointe Shores, and President Dave Fries of the City of Grosse Pointe.

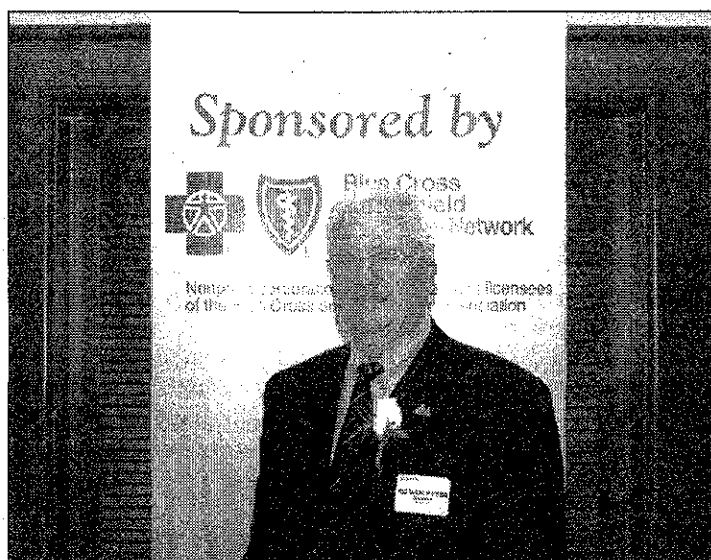


## Operatic afternoon

Deborah Meade hosted a Dec. 9 afternoon party to benefit the Michigan Opera Theatre in her home decorated Grosse Pointe Park home. Two young winners of the Michigan auditions for the Metropolitan Opera in New York City performed for about 40 guests. The event was chaired by Grosse Pointe Shores resident Gloria Clark and Don Jensen of Royal Oak. Attending the event included, from left, Clark, David DiChiera, the founder and general director of the Michigan Opera Theatre, Meade and Jensen.

## Honored

Roman Peter Hammes of Grosse Pointe and Colleen Brayton of Grosse Pointe Farms were honored with a 2007 Claude Pepper Honorable Mention Award from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network. The late Florida Sen. Pepper was a lifelong activist for the nation's elderly and the award bearing his name recognizes contributions toward improving the lives of Michigan's senior citizens.



# CLUB ACTIVITIES

### Windmill Garden Club

The Windmill Pointe Garden Club meets at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, at the home of Sandy Ransford. The co-hostess is Dorothy Guy.

The program is "The Care and Culture of Clematis" and is presented by Cheryl English.

### Senior Men's Club

The 850-member Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meets for lunch and to hear a speaker on Tuesday, Feb. 12. The luncheon at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial begins at 11:15 a.m. The speaker will be Terry Sawchuk, founder and chairman of Sawchuk & Langenstein. His presentation is "The Coming Economic Winter."

Sawchuk is an authority on wealth creation and preservation and is the host of "Wealth Strategies" at 11 a.m. Sundays on WJR.

### Classical music

The Grosse Pointe Classical Music League will hold its general membership meeting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Grosse Pointe Club, 6

Berkshire Place, Grosse Pointe Farms. A white elephant auction will be held at noon followed by a luncheon and entertainment.

Tom Wilson, host of "Somewhere in Time" radio program on WMUZ 103.5 at 6 p.m. Sundays, will present Big Band music along with some of its classical derivations.

The cost is \$22 per person and the public is invited. Reservations must be in by Friday, Jan. 25.

Checks should be made payable to GPCML and sent to Louise Lee, 9 Shorecrest Circle, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236.

### DAR birthday

Louisa St. Clair Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution of Grosse Pointe held its 115th Birthday Luncheon Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Edison Boat Club.

Program highlights included the Yankee Air Museum at Willow Run Airport, the Children of the American Revolution State President's Project and a silent auction to help provide 1940's era school desks for the museum school

house.

Guests included Husbands of DARs, members of the Michigan Sons of the American Revolution, regents of other Detroit area Daughters of the American Revolution Chapters, the John Paul Jones Society Children of the American Revolution members and their families.

### Donations

During the Dec. 16 annual meeting of the Colony Town Club/Cancer Loan Closet President Mary Palmer told members that the club's donations would go to five organizations.

The donations went to Alternatives for Girls, Gleaners Food Bank, the Salvation Army, the Burton Historical Library and the Joan Palmer Memorial Fund. Additionally, the club endowed the Barbara Ann Karmos Cancer Institute with funds to assist the new art therapy program for patients.

The club has donated 27 blankets, scarves and Tiger baseball caps to the Meade Cancer Center at St. John Hospital and Medical Center for children being treated for cancer.

# PRIDES OF THE POINTES

**Amy J. Delorenzo** of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the DePaul University Dean's List for the 2007 spring quarter. She is majoring in international studies.

**Rachel E. Delmotte** of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the DePaul University Dean's List for the 2007 spring quarter.

**William Moran** of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the spring/summer 2007 term. He spent six weeks studying history in Utrecht, Netherlands and Montplier, France.

Moran is a hospitality business major.

**Kerri Marowski**, daughter of Gary and Kathleen Marowski of Grosse Pointe Farms, has been accepted into the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Institute of Albion College. She graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School.

**Leonard T. Thomas** has joined the U.S. Army under the Delayed Entry Program.

He is a 2007 graduate of Detroit City High School and will report to Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., for basic training in January.

He is the son of Janice N. Thomas of Grosse Pointe Park.

**Emily McLaughlin** is a

freshman in Albion College's Ford Institute. She is the daughter of William McLaughlin of Grosse Pointe Park and Suzanne Antonelli of Grosse Pointe.

**Allison Jones**, a junior at Albion College majoring in physical education, has been accepted in Albion's Carl A. Gerstacker Liberal Arts Institute for Professional Management. Jones is the daughter of Bruce A. Jones and Margaret M. Pierron of Grosse Pointe Woods and is a graduate of University Liggett School.

**Thomas Shafer**, a freshman at Albion College, has been accepted into the Carl A. Gerstacker Liberal Arts Institute for Professional Management. He is the son of Thomas and Mary Shafer of Grosse Pointe Farms and is a Grosse Pointe South High School graduate.

**Katherine N. Addison** was admitted to the State Bar of California on Dec. 4. She earned a juris doctorate degree from the College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law and is registered to practice before the United States Patent Trademark Office.

She is a Grosse Pointe South High School graduate and lives in Berkeley, Calif.

**Anne Corona** of Grosse

Pointe Woods graduated from Columbus Business School. She is a 1996 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and 2000 Vanderbilt University graduate.

She is the daughter of Gary and Linda Corona.

**Timothy Stevens** of the City of Grosse Pointe has been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the fall semester.

A graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, he is the son of Lee and Barbara Stevens.

**John Vinson**, son of John and Shawn Vinson of Grosse Pointe Woods, has been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the fall semester. He is a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School.

**Bryan Zmyslowski** of the City of Grosse Pointe has been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the fall semester. He is a graduate of University Liggett School and is the son of Mark and Gail Zmyslowski.

**Elizabeth Murphy** of the City of Grosse Pointe has been named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for the fall semester.

A 2004 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, she is the daughter of Charlie and Shelley Murphy.

## She writes for readers and playgoers

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Joan Bushnell, a free lance writer, playwright, songwriter and author has had her works produced at Scotland's Edinburgh Fringe, Oakland, Calif., and the Lucky Lady Saloon in Fresno, Calif.

She is a University Liggett School graduate and divides her time between California, Michigan and Canada.

Bushnell has authored the melodrama, "Shakeup at

SugarPine," and co-authored, with her husband, George, "Hunters' Game Recipes."

The book, "Hissses, Boos and Cheers," co-authored by George Bushnell with former Golden Chain Theatre Director Charles H. Randall along with the now 30-year-old melodrama "Little Orphan Angela (or The Magician's Dirty Tricks)" was published by Dramatic Publishing Company.

A three-act comedy, "Like

Good Wine" has been produced in Detroit. To her credit, Bushnell has been a morning radio talk show co-host, sung six nights a week in a nightclub and appeared with Morton Downey, Victor Borge, Red Buttons and Ted Lewis.

"Take me Back to Arizona" was the first song she composed at the age of 8.

Bushnell is working a book for her miniature dachshund, Sophie, "Doxie with Moxie."

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# Be mindful of deadly carbon monoxide gas

In this cold weather, be sure warm air is the only thing coming out of the heaters this winter.

Many common household appliances can produce excess carbon monoxide, a potentially deadly colorless, odorless and tasteless gas. Appliances that are potential CO sources include furnaces, gas dryers, gas water heaters, space heaters, gas ranges and any other fuel-burning appliances.

The winter months are the most common time for CO poisoning. Symptoms mirror several other disorders and in-

clude headaches, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain and confusion.

Detecting the gas is very difficult without a detector which can be purchased at most hardware and home improvement stores for \$20 to \$60.

"More than 15,000 trips to the emergency room could be prevented each year in the U.S. by simply installing a carbon monoxide detector," said AppaRao Mukkamala, M.D., a Flint radiologist and president of the Michigan State Medical Society. In addition to the ER visits, more than 100 people die from unintentional CO

poisoning each year in the United States.

"It is important to have appliances checked annually," Mukkamala said.

Properly trained technicians can quickly identify a problem and prevent excess CO production which can occur in any type of building. Obvious reasons such as malfunctioning heating devices and blocked chimneys are often the cause.

Inspecting the flame in gas burning appliances is the quickest way to detect a problem. Blue flames indicate normal gas emissions. Orange

flames on the other hand, indicate a problem exists. In addition to the color of a flame, several other warning signs could be present. Moisture on the inside of windows, loose masonry on chimneys, rusting or water streaking on a vent or chimney and loose or missing furnace panels are all signs that a carbon monoxide risk could be present.

The advice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is to "evacuate, ventilate, investigate."

When both oxygen and carbon monoxide are present in the blood, they do not play

fair. Carbon monoxide beats oxygen to the blood and saturates it more quickly than oxygen. The most important step in recovering from CO poisoning is to reestablish the oxygen levels in the blood stream. As soon as an individual leaves a CO polluted area, oxygen begins to re-enter the blood stream and all evidence of CO poisoning quickly disappears. Be sure to ventilate the area before returning to investigate the cause of CO pollution.

As winter sets in, a few easy steps can help prevent CO poisoning: Check all fuel-burning

appliances, install CO detectors throughout the house near each sleeping area, never use charcoal in the house and never use a gas range, oven or dryer for heating.

The Michigan State Medical Society is the professional association of more than 15,000 physicians in Michigan. Its mission is to promote a health care environment that supports physicians in caring for and enhancing the health of Michigan citizens through science, quality and ethics in the practice of medicine.

For more information, visit [msms.org](http://msms.org).



Fontbonne members Debra McCarty, Linda Loyd, Mary Berg, Sister Verence McQuade, JoAnn Miller and Patricia Minnick attended the dedication ceremony.

## First private patient rooms open in pavilion

St. John Hospital and Medical Center recently celebrated the dedication of the Van Elslander Pavilion's first private floor, 4 North, for cardiac patients.

The floor was financed through the fundraising efforts of the Fontbonne Auxiliary and named after Sister Verence McQuade, SSI, who retired as director of Community/Patient Services at the hospital a year ago.

The McQuade floor, also known as 4 North, has 36 private rooms with 108 more to

come on other floors of the Van Elslander Pavilion in coming months. The new large patient rooms are designed to enhance the healing environment and maximize comfort for patients and their families, hospital spokespersons said.

Rooms are designed with family in mind and include a flat-screen television, cardiac monitoring, private bathrooms and sofas to allow overnight stays by family. The privacy of the room, in addition to sound absorbing mate-

rials on the floors and ceilings, help maintain a quieter and more peaceful hospital environment.

Additionally the floor has a waiting room, family conference room, physicians' team conference room, architecture to support the hospital's migration to computerized charting and custom nurse work space to keep nurses close to the patients.

Grosse Pointer Linda Loyd was president of the organization when it made a \$1 million pledge to the hospital's \$30

million expansion campaign and the decision to name the floor after McQuade.

"It was truly our honor to donate an entire floor in honor of Sister Verence, as we feel she has been the very heart and soul of SJH&MC for many years and will always hold a very special place in our hearts," Loyd said.

"When I first heard they were raising money in my honor, I was so surprised, and very happy," McQuade said.

The next unit is scheduled to open on Feb. 29.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Diane Strickler

## Studies show multitasking reduces efficiency



**Q.** My family complains that I'm doing too many things at once and am not focused. Help!

**A.** We all do two or three things at once, especially in this age of technology. We take pride in our ability to juggle, but multitasking has its down side.

Recent research shows we may not be as efficient or effective in completing projects as we would like to think. It can even make us "stupider."

Marcel Just of Carnegie Mellon University has found that "managing two mental tasks at once reduces the brainpower available for either task even though the activities engage two different parts of the brain."

And when the activity requires the same part of the brain, for example, listening to your boss on the phone and for your toddler in another room, it will be extremely hard to succeed.

These similar activities create conflicting auditory processing demands and one task is short changed.

Another complexity about multitasking is that it takes time for the brain, once the

brakes have been put on, to overcome those "stop" signals and return to the task. The time lost switching among tasks increases the complexity of the task. It is more efficient to focus on one project or job at a time and the quality of outcome is better, Just says.

David E. Meyer, Ph.D., a psychology professor at the University of Michigan, has found that people who multitask too much can exhibit warning signs: short-term memory problems, stress, an adrenaline rush that — when prolonged — can damage cells that form new memory and lapses in the ability to concentrate and be attentive.

Perhaps in our family life we should remember what Roman philosopher Publilius Syrus said in 100 A.D., "To do two things at once is to do neither."


Instead of sorting the mail while your child is talking, think about giving your child your full attention while he or she tells you the story of his day.

Put the Blackberry, iPod and cell phone aside while having dinner as a family.

We do not have to be air traffic controllers; we can concentrate on one thing at a time and be in the moment.

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## 2008 Relay for Life

If camping out, food, music and games highlighted all night long sounds like fun, join the 2008 American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe.

A Relay Kick-Off event is planned for 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21 at Christ Church on Grosse Pointe Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Relay For Life is a team approach to raising funds for education, advocacy, research and services to cancer patients and their families that culminates in the 24-hour celebration. Teams create their own names, raise funds during the months preceding the relay which this year, takes place from 10 a.m. Saturday, May 17 to 10 a.m. Sunday, May 18, at Pier Park.

Fundraising efforts are as individualized as the teams, but include bake sales, bowling tournaments and an online donation solicitation through a special relay Web site.

Teams can raise funds by selling luminaria bags decorated and named in honor or memory of special people who have faced cancer. For a detailed Relay For Life of Grosse Pointe Kick-off invitation, call Dorothy Busignani, ACS community representative at (248) 663-3418.

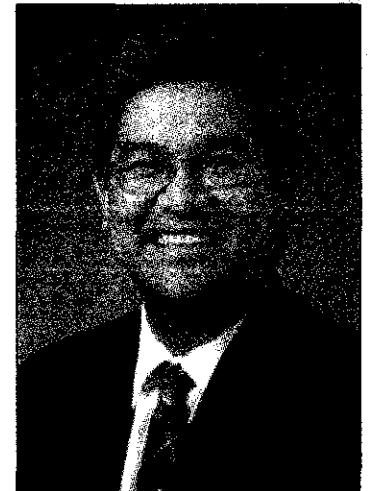
## Hospital CEO appointed to national organizations

Anthony Armada, president and CEO of Henry Ford Hospital and Health Network, has been appointed to two national organizations aimed at increasing minorities within the health care field.

The appointments are: Chairman of the Asian Health Care Leaders Association, a newly formed organization whose goal is to increase the presence of Pan-Asian executives in the health care field, advancing leadership and development to address diversity and the improvement of the quality of patient care provided for Pan-Asian populations.

Board member of the Institute for Diversity in Health Management. The institute focuses on expanding health care leadership opportunities for ethnically, culturally, and racially diverse individuals, and increasing the number of these individuals entering and advancing in the field.

Both organizations are based in Chicago and are affiliated with the American Hospital Association.



Anthony Armada, Henry Ford Hospital president and CEO

Armada joined Henry Ford in 2004. In his role, he oversees Henry Ford Hospital, Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, Behavioral Health Services and 25 health care centers throughout metro Detroit.

Before joining Henry Ford, Armada was senior vice president and area manager at Kaiser Permanente in Southern California.

Armada resides in Grosse Pointe Park.

5B | HEALTH/SENIOR

SENIOR SCENE By Ruth Cain

# Bob Lutz — A quintessential senior



I felt extremely fortunate last week at the International North American Auto Show to have talked with Bob Lutz, vice chairman of global product development at General Motors Corp.

If you're interested in knowing more about extraordinary seniors, then Lutz is your man, or rather, senior.

Here are just two of the outstanding accomplishments in his 48-year career — and he counts on many more years developing and manufacturing cars that he believes the public

wants.

◆ He has spent all of his professional career in the auto industry. In fact, he is the only professional in the auto industry who has held executive positions at all Big Three auto companies.

◆ At age 76 (on Feb. 12), he is surely the oldest executive to be actively involved in management as the second in command at General Motors, one of the most competitive major corporations which is fighting for its future in a globalized industry.

Lutz was born in Switzerland, but his family moved to this country shortly after his birth. From the age of 6, he knew he wanted to be a part of the auto industry. His father and his uncle owned many cars and he loved them

all. During his long career, he has devoted his talents and energy always to the auto industry.

It's no surprise that after receiving an MBA from the University of California-Berkeley, his first job was with General Motors, where he worked largely with GM Europe.

Before beginning his career, Lutz had enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps where he was a jet-attack pilot. He attained the rank of captain before ending that aspect of his life.

Lutz cannot praise highly enough the impact the Marines had on his life.

"The Marine Corps provided me with a lifelong ethical and moral framework. This encouraged moral courage and perseverance," Lutz says.

"These values have become even more prevalent long after my Marine days."

He left that first job at GM after seven years and went on to BMW AG, where he served three years as executive vice president of sales. He worked at Ford Motor Co. for 12 years, where he attained the position of Vice President in charge of Ford Truck Operations and also as a member of the Ford Board of Directors.

He left Ford and went to Chrysler Corp. where he subsequently was named president and CEO.

It was finally back to General Motors, some 32 years after he had left the company. What were his emotions?

"I had a feeling of joy, of being back in the saddle again. I was happy to be back, but sur-

prised at how much operations had changed since the early 70s. Back then everybody was a car guy, but in the 80s and 90s that got lost," he said.

"I feel I provide a connection between the past and the present for the corporation."

And changes? "The automotive industry is now in a changed world with executives, designers and product planning management creating GM cars and trucks under worldwide globalization. All these areas are reporting to just one base. There is no longer a GM of four different car companies, now just one GM."

Lutz is a handsome and charming man who looks a long way from being 76. But the years are there so I asked how he maintains his creativity

and energy level at that age.

"Well, I was a late bloomer. For most of my childhood and teens I was always behind others of the same age. I was simply behind the curve. I even graduated from high school late because of focusing problems. I think now I'm try to catch up."

I think he's putting me on, but here's what he said when I asked if he had any advice for seniors.

"Stay active and get deeply engaged in something." That's exactly what he's doing. He has tremendous enthusiasm for what he does, whether it's flying his jet plane, or developing new cars and trucks that he believes will help General Motors in the fight ahead.

You can reach Cain at: [ruthcain@comcast.net](mailto:ruthcain@comcast.net)

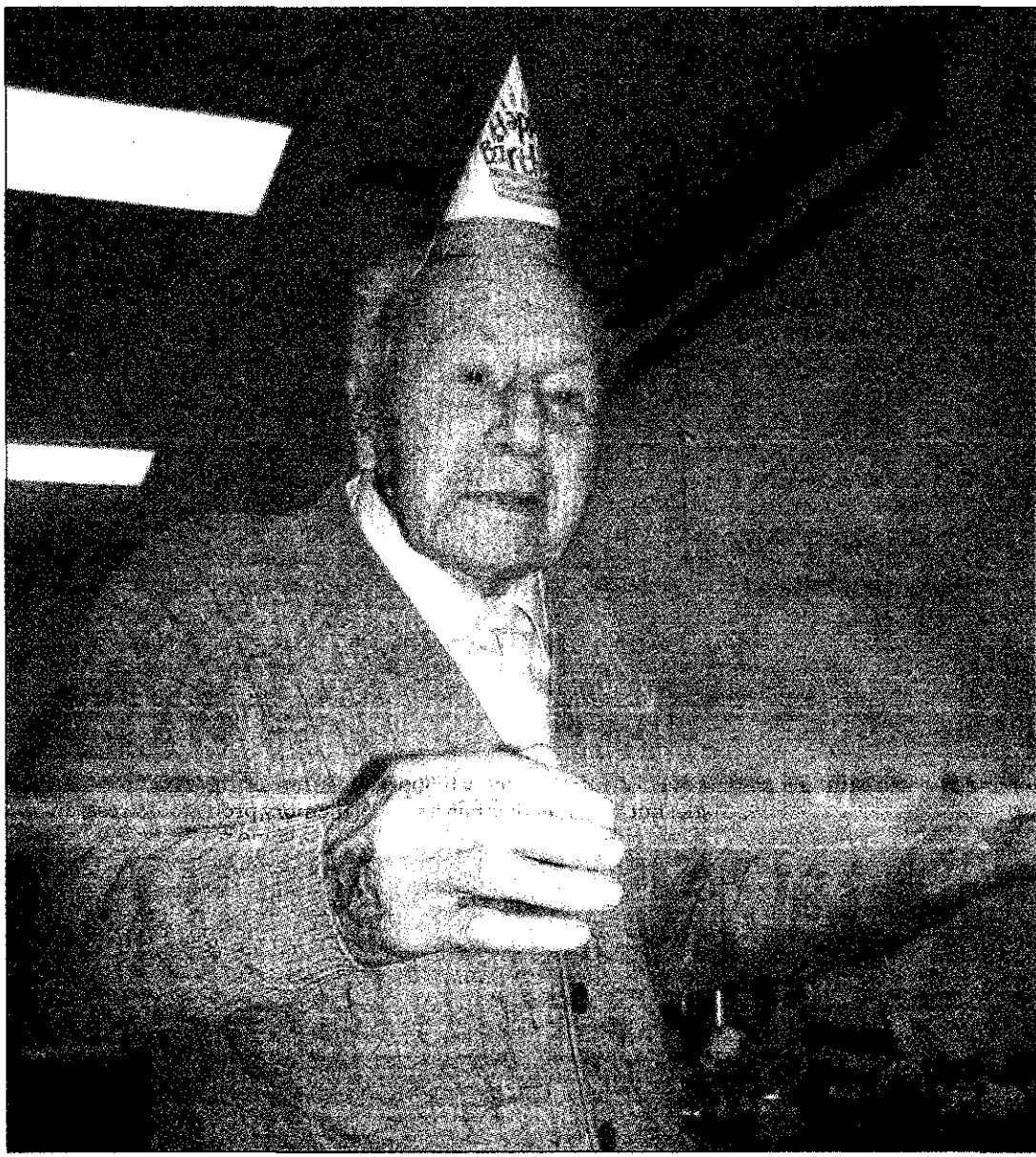


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## Happy birthday

Ed Rem blew out only two candles on his birthday cake at SOC on Friday, Jan. 18. One candle was a nine and the second an eight. The City of Grosse Pointe resident - and area's most decorated World War II veteran - was observing his 98th birthday with 21 of his friends and family members, as well as Wayne County Commissioner Tim Killeen, D-Grosse Pointe, who presented him with a proclamation. Rem was born in Wayne County on Jan. 18, 1910. He served in the 121st Infantry Regiment and was part of the Normandy Campaign, the Battle for Brittany and fighting on the Crozon Peninsula. Rem was a real estate broker and insurance agent. His pastime interests include reading historical books and ballroom dancing with his friend, Lillian Neugebauer.

## Hospital researcher gets study grant

Oscar A. Carretero, M.D., a hypertension researcher at Henry Ford Hospital, has been awarded a \$12 million, five year grant from the National Institutes of Health.

He will use the funds to study the role of the kidney in blood pressure regulation, as well as how chronic high blood pressure damages the kidney, heart and vasculature.

Hypertension, or high blood pressure, is one of the nation's most common cardiovascular diseases, according to researchers. Hypertension affects approximately 50 million Americans and is one of the main risk factors for cardiovascular diseases. When left untreated, hypertension leads to

heart attacks, heart failure, vascular disease, kidney failure and stroke.

In this Program Project Grant, five inter-related projects use a model of hypertension in rodents to study the factors that promote and prevent high blood pressure. Three of the projects focus on target organ damage in the heart, while two projects focus on control of the filtration of blood by the kidney and the mechanisms that control salt and water balance by the kidney. Carretero hopes to show that it is possible to derive therapeutic effects by altering the balance of pro- and antihypertensive systems.

"Ultimately, we believe our studies will greatly increase

our knowledge about the origin and development of both hypertension and end organ damage," said Carretero.

He is the division head of Hypertension and Vascular Research at Henry Ford Hospital and has published more than 300 papers in peer-reviewed journals and 35 book chapters. Carretero has received the Novartis Award for Hypertension Research from the Council for High Blood Pressure Research, the Lifetime Achievement Award in Hypertension Research from the Inter-American Society of Hypertension and the Distinguished Scientist Award by the Henry Ford Medical Group.

## SOC seeks outstanding business nominees to honor

Know a business that goes out of its way to service customers? Let Services for Older Citizens know about it.

This year, SOC will honor 15 "Senior Friendly" local businesses that go "above and beyond" in services offered to senior citizens in the community.

Nominees must provide "exemplary service" to seniors, such as helping customers to their car or lending a helpful ear.

Nominees from the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods will be evaluated based on their demonstrated commitment to

serving the needs of seniors. Winners will be honored at SOC's 18th annual Senior Celebration at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park on April 13.

To place a nomination, call Debbie Pommerville at (313) 882-9600, ext. 250.

## Healthy lifestyle a benefit

A healthy lifestyle can help people improve with age.

Be proactive. Reduce the risk of heart disease with a cholesterol screening every five years, starting at age 35 for men and 45 for women.

Starting at age 40, women should have a mammogram every one to two years.

Diabetic adults are two to four times more likely to suffer a stroke than those without this disease, which a doctor can detect before symptoms occur.

Stay active. Make fitness a priority. Studies show loss of function has more to do with lack of exercise than with age. Muscles lose strength when not used and joints tend to weaken with age. Aim for 30 minutes of daily exercise.

Plant a garden, play golf or rally on the tennis court. An active lifestyle can provide arthritis relief, sleep improvement and a reduced risk of heart disease and cancer.

Eat well. Studies show a healthy diet can decrease the mortality rate by up to 16 percent. Healthier eating could reduce cancer deaths in the U.S. by 35 percent, according to the U.S. Department of Health.

Eat 2 1/2 cups of vegetables

and 2 cups of fruit every day. One medium-size fruit is equal to half a cup. Help lower blood pressure by eating potassium-packed foods such as bananas, oranges and cantaloupe.

Studies show grains reduce the risk of type 2 diabetes 30 percent. Aim for 6 ounces a day.

Most Americans consume only half of the fiber they need. To help reduce the risk of heart disease, eat fiber-rich foods such as black beans, citrus fruits and nuts.

Take care of yourself emotionally. The Harvard School of Public Health says having family and friends can help maintain cognitive function.

The American Medical Association says brain health is much like your muscles: Use it or lose it. Exercise your mind by reading the newspaper or writing a letter daily.

Try a new hobby or travel to new places. A sense of meaning and purpose are among the top factors in determining the pace of aging.

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**10:30 am** Things to Do at the War Memorial

**11:00 am** Out of the Ordinary

**11:30 am** Tech Pointes

**12:00 pm** Economic Club of Detroit

**1:00 pm** The SOC Show

**1:30 pm** Great Lakes Log

**2:00 pm** The John Prost Show

**2:30 pm** Consumer's Corner

**3:00 pm** Things to Do at the War Memorial

**3:30 pm** Art & Design

**4:00 pm** Vitality Plus (Tone)

**4:30 pm** Young View Pointes

**5:00 pm** Positively Positive

**5:30 pm** The SOC Show

**6:00 pm** Consumer's Corner

**6:30 pm** Who's in the Kitchen

**7:00 pm** Vitality Plus (Step/Kick Boxing)

**7:30 pm** Things to Do at the War Memorial

**8:00 pm** Positively Positive

**8:30 pm** Tech Pointes

**9:00 pm** Art & Design

**9:30 pm** Pointes of Horticulture

**10:00 pm** The John Prost Show

**10:30 pm** Great Lakes Log

**11:00 pm** Out of the Ordinary

**11:30 pm** Tech Pointes

**Midnight** Economic Club of Detroit

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**6B | CHURCHES**

**CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

**Katrina Rae concert**

Internationally known Catholic gospel singer, songwriter and recording artist Katrina Rae will perform at 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 2, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Her concert is entitled, "Changed By His Glory."

Rae is a 20-time recipient of the United Catholic Music and Video Association Unity Awards, including Artist of the Year in 2005 and 2007, Female Vocalist of the Year in 2007, and others.

She has appeared on numerous Christian TV shows and her songs can be heard on many Christian radio stations throughout the world.

Following Sept. 11, 2001, Rae co-produced the recording and national release of the song and music video, "You Are Not Alone" recorded by Catholic artists from across North America. Sales raised thousands of dollars for families of those killed at the Pentagon and continues to raise funds for military families.

Following the concert, Rae and her husband, John, both Catholic lay evangelists will lead a three evening retreat beginning at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 4-6.

Admission to both are free. For more information, call (313) 884-5554 or visit [olsos.org](http://olsos.org).

**Puppet show**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 22915 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores, hosts a family oriented puppet show 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, and 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 3.

There will be crafts, music and refreshments.

For more information, call the church at (586) 777-0215.

**Mass for the sick**

St. Albertus Historic Church will have a mass for the sick and the blessing of throats at 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 3. Doors open at 10 a.m.

For more information call, (313) 285-9398 or (313) 527-9321.

**PASTOR'S CORNER** By Rev. Gustav Kopka Jr.

**Peter, Paul and Martin**

It is the 100th anniversary of the Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity an Octave, Beginning with the Lesser Festival of the Confession of St. Peter on Jan. 18 and ending with the Lesser Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul on Jan. 25, believers of many churches and communions of faith will pray, individually and in worship services for the unity of the one holy catholic and apostolic church in these or other words: "Fill it with all truth and peace ... purify it ... direct it ... reform it ... strengthen it ... reunite it."

This year I will spend one hour each of those eight days in prayerful reflection on the unity of the church, in my study, at St. James Lutheran Church, at Iroquois Avenue Lutheran Christ Church and where God wills. This year I will also add

the 40th anniversary of the death of Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of the church, martyr, as I pray: "Inspire us with his memory, whose faithfulness led to the way of the cross and give us courage to bear full witness with our lives."

Peter, Paul and Martin are for me the major January saints. Two others are my father, the somewhat stern namesake and my mother, gentle Marie. With her three boys and one girl they arrived at Ellis Island as post-WWII immigrants in late January, 56 years ago.

Now I am the gently intense father of three boys and one girl and the grandfather of four grandsons and one granddaughter. It's for those grandchildren — and others of their generation — that I am writing autobiographical sketches under the theme, "Been There!

Done That! Press On!"

Bernard Shaw calls St. Francis a super-tramp. Could I, who see myself as a peripatetic person, be seen by my grandchildren as a saint? But maybe Ambrose Bierce is right when he said that a saint is "a dead sinner revised and edited." Says Frederick Buechner: "In his holy flirtation with the world, God occasionally drops a handkerchief. These handkerchiefs are called saints."

During the one hour prayerful reflections between Jan. 18 and 25 — and maybe beyond — I will focus my reading on a goodly number of today's and yesterday's saints. I sometimes call them mentors.

Just to mention three. Leo Tolstoy: "A scholar knows many books; a well-educated person has knowledge and skills: an enlightened person

understands the meaning and purpose of his life."

Dag Hammarskjold: "For all that has been Thanks! To all that shall be Yes!"

And Madeleine L'Engle: "Children want to know and perhaps it is our desire not to let them down that has led us into the mistake of teaching them only the answerables. This is a mistake."

If you've missed most of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, don't miss the journey of living with questions, even while taking action as best you can. Saints are you and I who live a life that points to truths and visions beyond our imagination and generation. Peter, Paul and Martin did. So can we.

The Rev. Gustav Kopka Jr. is pastor emeritus, St. James Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

**NEW ARRIVALS**

**Katherine Ann Peck**

Matthew and Margaret Peck of the City of Grosse Pointe are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Ann Peck, born Oct. 25, 2007.

John and Helen Finkelmann of Grosse Pointe Woods are the maternal grandparents.

Paternal grandparents are Stephen and Maureen Peck of Orchard Park, N.Y.

Great-grandmother is Helen Peck of Williamsport, N.Y.

**Collette Wetherell Peabody**

Kathryn and Robert Peabody Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms are the parents of a

daughter, Collette Wetherell Peabody, born Sept. 27, 2007.

The maternal grandparents are Karyn Weir of the City of Grosse Pointe, Debbie French of Rapid River and the late John French III.

Paternal grandparents are Carole Peabody of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Robert Peabody.

**Stephen Dallas Listman**

Bill and Stephanie Listman of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Stephen Dallas Listman, born Nov. 5, 2007.

The maternal grandparents

are Dallas and Joan Kitchen of Grosse Pointe Farms.

William Listman of Grosse Pointe Woods and the late Arlene Listman are paternal grandparents.

**Paul Andrew Stapleton Jr.**

Paul and Fabiola Stapleton of Grosse Pointe Woods are the parents of a son, Paul Andrew Stapleton Jr., born Nov. 21, 2007.

**Ellie Mae Steryous**

Kenton and Laura Steryous of Roanoke, Va. are the parents of a daughter, Ellie Mae Steryous, born Oct. 18, 2007.

The maternal grandparents are Jay and Carol Hackleman of Grosse Pointe Park.

**Jordan Faith Hackleman**

Thomas A. and Sarah R. Hackleman of Boerne, Texas, are the parents of a daughter, Jordan Faith Hackleman, born Aug. 1, 2006.

Jay and Carol Hackleman of Grosse Pointe Park are the paternal grandparents.

**Jacob Richard Reynolds**

Robert and Cheryl Reynolds of Davie, Fla., are the parents of a son, Jacob Richard Reynolds, born Jan. 5, 2008.

Paternal grandmother is Helen Reynolds of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Richard Reynolds of Warren is the paternal grandfather.

**PRIDE OF THE POINTES**

Cashia Thomas of Grosse Pointe Park has enrolled at Lake Forest College. She is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

Army Pvt. Timothy W. Butler has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla. He is the son of Timothy and Beverly Butler of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Tim Shield of Grosse Pointe Park and a Grosse Pointe South High School student has

been nominated to attend the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Tim Boll of Grosse Pointe Park and a student at University Liggett School has been nominated to attend the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Christopher Samelak is a freshman in Albion College's Ford Institute. He is the son of Duane Samelak of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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DOWN TO EARTH By Kathleen Peabody

# The fungus among us



A few years ago, daughter Diane gave me a shiitake growing kit. I remember thinking that it was quite a unique gift. So unique, in fact, that I asked for another.

When it arrived via mail it was marked "Live" and inside the box was a white log-like thing that needed some tending. It was to be refrigerated followed by days of misting. The growing booklet that accompanied "The Shiitake Mushroom Patch" gave step-by-step directions how to grow shiitake mushrooms at home. It's an interesting way to enjoy the inside growing season. The Web site is fungi.com.

"All gardeners are mushroom growers even though some of them do not know it," says Solomon P. Wasser, Ph.D., in a review of "Mycelium Running," a book by Paul Stamets. "Using fungi in the garden increases yields, reduces the need for fertilizers, and builds soil structure for long-term use. Mushrooms provide a balance between the input and output of nutrients in nature."

Finding the little mushrooms growing in forests and other unlikely areas is always a great find for me. They look so interesting.

As a large group of organisms, fungi are no longer considered plants. Growing up, mushrooms — when available — were always part of large family dinners. One of my uncles tells the story of the "guys" going out to pick mushrooms for my grandmother. What they brought back was inedible and were told as much. Choosing the proper mushrooms to eat is a skill.

Shiitake mushrooms (*Lentinus edodes*) are one of the two most popular mushrooms in the world; the other



These larger-than-life mushrooms are not edible but the children at the Arizona's Junior Master Gardening Program sure enjoy them.

being the common button mushroom (*Agaricus species*). The shiitake, meaning "mushroom of the shii or oak tree" in Japanese, is highly prized in the Orient for its flavor and reputed medicinal value. It is a major agricultural commodity in Japan, where about half the world's supply of shiitake mushrooms is produced.

Until recently, only imported, dried shiitake mushrooms could be purchased in the United States. Shiitake mushroom production began in this country about 15 years ago.

With it came a new demand that is increasing rapidly as consumers discover the delicious, meaty flavor of fresh shiitake mushrooms.

Commanding an average wholesale price of \$4 to \$5 a pound, thousands of farmers and investors across the country are now interested in producing them.

Growing mushrooms may be rewarding for an individual as a hobby or for limited local sale. Commercial production, however, requires a substantial commitment of time and money. As with any agricultural commodity, profitability depends on the grower's production and marketing skills, as well as on market supply and demand.

The shiitake mushroom is a wood-decay fungus and must

be grown on logs or in sawdust. Douglas A. Valek, professor emeritus at Central Michigan University's biology department, writes that hardwood tree species, such as oak, maple and elm are recommended. However, his preference is the oak with particular emphasis on the red or black variety found in the central Michigan area. Production on sawdust is a highly specialized process that must be conducted indoors with close control of temperature, light and moisture.

As with most inexperienced growers, like me, there is much to learn about growing shiitakes.

As I walk through the forests in the spring and summer months, I'll be on the look out for various forms of fungi. Until then, I'll enjoy eating the shiitakes from my kit.

Kathleen Peabody is an advanced master gardener who lives (and grows mushrooms) in Grosse Pointe Woods. Reach her at [kpeabody@grossepointenews.com](mailto:kpeabody@grossepointenews.com)

Here's a hearty mushroom recipe from the Hope Heart

Institute in Seattle:

## Lentil-Mushroom Stew

1 1/2 quarts vegetable stock or water  
1 finely chopped onion  
1 tsp. dried basil or 1 Tbsp. fresh basil  
2 stalks chopped celery  
2 large sliced carrots  
1 8 oz. can stewed tomatoes (no salt added)  
2 cups washed lentils  
1 1/2 cups sliced mushrooms

3 Tbsp. olive or canola oil  
Apple cider or balsamic vinegar

Salt and pepper to taste  
Simmer lentils for one hour. Saute onion, mushrooms and basil in oil. Drain oil and add sautéed mixture and other ingredients, except vinegar, to the lentils and cook at least one more hour until lentils are tender. Add vinegar before serving.

Serves eight. Per serving: 238 calories, 6 g. fat, 15 g protein, 34 g carbohydrate, 16 g fiber, 54 mg sodium.



Pictured, from left, are Allison McClelland, Ron Meyer, Joe Quednau and Michael P. Falzon at the piano in Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "The World Goes 'Round."

## Grosse Pointe Theatre to hold musical revue

The Grosse Pointe Theatre presents "The World Goes 'Round," a collection of numbers by Kander and Ebb, is at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fries Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The revue presents the best from "Kiss of the Spider Woman," "Chicago," "Cabaret," "70 Girls 70," "The Rink" and other favorites.

Tickets are \$22. Earphones

for hearing enhancement are available for all performances.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial will hold a dinner buffet in the Crystal Ballroom prior to the performances.

To make dinner reservations, call (313) 881-7511. Dinner reservations must be made at least 48 hours prior to performance.

For more information, call the Grosse Pointe Theatre ticket and information hotline at (313) 881-4004.

## 'All Brassed Up' concert

The Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings get "All Brassed Up" for concerts featuring world-class brass musicians at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Detroit and at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3 at First United Methodist Church in Birmingham.

The Feb. 3 concert features a Horn Masterclass with DSO horn player Bryan Kennedy at 2:45 p.m.

"All Brassed Up" runs the gamut of brass masterpieces, including works dating from the Baroque era to the present.

The repertoire includes Bach's "Badinerie" featuring

Neal Campbell on solo tuba and Ken Kroesche soloing on "Londonderry Air."

The evening also features a number of familiar orchestral works in arrangements for brass choir.

Cathedral Church of St. Paul is located at 4800 Woodward, Detroit and First United Methodist Church is located at 1589 W. Maple in Birmingham.

Advance tickets are \$25 for adults, \$22 for seniors 60 and over and \$10 for students and can be purchased online at [detroitchamberwinds.org](http://detroitchamberwinds.org) or by calling (248) 559-2095.

Tickets will be available at the door for \$5 more than the advance prices.

## Puppet performance and workshop

"A Banana for Turtle," an original marionette performance, will be performed at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at 25 E. Grand River, Detroit.

The story is based on several children's stories and features a monkey, a parrot, an elephant, a python, and a turtle.

Original music and songs create a canvas for the situations in which these friends

find themselves as they discover the world around them.

Admission is \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. PuppetART also offers puppetry workshops after each performance. The fee is \$8 per project.

Tickets for groups are available by special arrangement.

For more information, call (313) 961-7777 or visit [puppetart.org](http://puppetart.org).

## What's going on?

◆ Gardening for You and the Environment: Earth Friendly Gardening is the 17th annual Winter Seminar Series for Gardeners planned from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, Jan 26 and Feb. 2, at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, Detroit. Presenters are Janet Macunovich and Rick Lazell. Topics include: Beginning Green: The Organic Approach to Gardening; Easy, Earth-friendly Designs: Rain Gardens, Natural Plantings and More; and Plants in the News and New in Your Garden. Tickets are \$25 for Detroit Garden Center members and \$30 for nonmembers per class; or \$70 for members and \$80 for nonmembers for the series. Call (313) 259-6363 for information and reservations. Register at [detroitgardencenter.org](http://detroitgardencenter.org).

◆ Patterns in Gardening is slated from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the MSU Management Education Center, Troy. This event is co-sponsored by Cranbrook Gardens Auxiliary and Horticulture magazine and includes lunch, book signings and lectures on clematis, lighting and native trees. The cost is \$134 for non-subscribers. Call (877) 436-7764 to register or visit [hortprograms.com](http://hortprograms.com).

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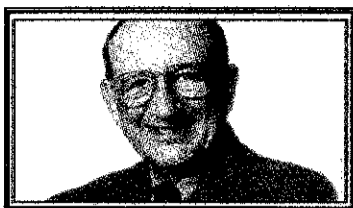
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STATE OF THE ARTS By Alex Suczek

## Savoring the maestro's talents



**H**earing Maestro Neeme Järvi conduct the New Jersey Symphony is like savoring a favorite vintage wine from a new bottle.

The attractive hall, built only a few years ago as part of Newark's redevelopment program, is not too large and has clear, bright acoustics. Even more importantly, the orchestra with its fabulous collection of famous-name, old Italian violins, produces a dazzling sound.

Meanwhile, the Järvi style,

joyous, dramatic when called for, and above all, spontaneous, is unmistakable and an undiminished pleasure. It is evident that this excellent band of musicians has already adapted to the maestro's inspiring unpredictability on the podium. Like Detroit Symphony Orchestra, they watch him like hawks, play with the tight ensemble of a chamber group and deliver fresh, deeply felt performances.

The program could hardly have been better to show off Järvi's distinctive style. The Polonaise from Tchaikovsky's opera, "Eugene Onegin," opened the program. They gave the aristocratic dance a vigorous but still elegant treatment. It is the kind of piece that we enjoyed repeatedly which Järvi tossed off effortlessly with panache. His subtle flights of

fancy with powerful downbeats and subtle retards were executed with incomparably good taste and flair—a perfect appetizer for the musical banquet.

The second symphony by Czech composer Bohuslav Martinu was written during WWII. His music includes both a salute to the village of Lidice, that lay low in retaliation for the assassination of Reinhard Heydrich in 1943 and was a march declaring faith in the country's eventual liberation.

It is a great opportunity for Järvi's expressive powers. Liquid sounds and harmonies in a refreshingly brisk tempo set the scene of a land with full flowing rivers. With careful control of his pace, the mood gave way to the brooding thoughts of the occupation and the tragic slaughter of a town at

the heart of the resistance.

The mood changed to patriotism and optimism exemplifying one of the maestro's most ardently expressed goals: to bring out the fun in music whenever possible. Järvi's early training in percussion gave him an extraordinary mastery of rhythm enabling him to capture the triumphant spirit of "Martinu's March" and the final movement.

In the concluding allegro especially, the maestro's leadership from the podium was fascinating to watch as it even included a kick with his left foot to add emphasis to a phrase. The lively pace and catchy rhythms were executed with precision yet freely phrased and rousing. There was patriotism expressed in Dvorak's "New World Symphony" as

well, but in a totally different tone. In the gentle opening phrase, Järvi enhanced beautifully the sentimental pastoral imagery. That changed quickly, however, with a power reminiscent of Beethoven with alternating passages of power and the tenderness on the entry of the flute with the familiar first theme. It inspired images of the spaciousness of America's Midwestern plains and the grandeur of America which Dvorak had just visited when he composed the music.

With every new musical image, Järvi managed to express greater joy and inspiration building to one of the most tender and loving climaxes in music.

The famous "Goin' Home" theme introduced and played out by the English horn was as

moving as the most heartfelt lullaby and love song.

The incredibly retarded tempo added powerful emphasis to the tenderness of the statement winding up with a reprise of the melody as a beautifully played duet between first violin and cello. Finally it swelled in full orchestra not to a thunderous, but a rich, full voiced conclusion. It was an inimitable Järvi touch, simple yet profoundly beautiful.

As we remember from his concerts in Detroit, there was an encore as well and just as many times before, it was a little known piece out of the library archives that was given a spicy performance as a treat to send us home. For more information about Järvi's new orchestra visit [njsymphony.org](http://njsymphony.org).

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

## Snackin' good breakfast



1/2 cup packed light brown sugar  
1/4 cup water  
2 tablespoons canola or vegetable oil  
1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract

**G**ranola has become the great American snack over the past few decades. Crunchy or soft, this modern day healthy "sweet" alternative comes in endless varieties and packaging. I came across a recipe for granola that looked rather simple and just right for my first ever time at attempting to make it. I was also drawn to the good for you ingredient list which includes rolled oats, pecans and cinnamon. This Fine Cooking recipe will have your home filled with a warm, cinnamon aroma. (Way better than a candle.)

## Crispy Sweet Pecan Granola

3 cups old-fashioned rolled oats (not quick cooking)  
1 cup pecan halves, roughly chopped  
2 teaspoons cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon salt

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Spray a rimmed baking sheet with no-stick spray and set aside.

In a large bowl, toss the oats with the pecans, cinnamon and salt. Set aside.

In a small saucepan, combine the brown sugar with the water. Bring the mixture to a simmer over low heat and cook for just a minute or two, until the sugar has melted. Remove from heat and stir in the oil and the vanilla.

Pour the liquid mixture over the oat mixture and stir and toss well to coat the oats evenly.

Turn the mixture onto the prepared baking sheet and spread it into an even layer. Bake at 300 (in the center of the oven) for 25 to 28 minutes, no longer.

The oats should be golden and the nuts toasted. The granola will seem soft coming out of the oven but will crisp up nicely as it cools. Allow the gra-



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA MCCOY

Oats toasted to a golden brown with pecans, brown sugar and cinnamon make granola a delicious snack or breakfast cereal.

nola to cool completely before using a spatula to loosen it from the bake sheet. Store the cooled granola in an airtight container where it will stay fresh for two to three weeks.

The recipe can be easily doubled. Use two baking sheets instead of one and rotate the baking sheets (in the oven) halfway through the cooking process.

Enjoy your homemade granola on hot oatmeal, yogurt, or

fresh fruit. Crispy sweet pecan granola has a light crunchy texture with just a hint of sweet from the brown sugar. Not overwhelmed by too many ingredients this granola is a perfect fit for beginners.

I plan to make homemade granola a staple for snack time.

I'll be demonstrating this as well as other healthy food ideas at The Pointe Pedlar on Wednesday, March 5. For details call (313) 885-4028.

## Upcoming DSO events

French pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet will accompany the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, and at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at Orchestra Hall.

Thibaudet will play Ravel's "Piano Concerto in G major" in this dance and folk music inspired program. The DSO will also perform Debussy's "Danse, Kodály: Dances of Galantá" and Bartók's "The Miraculous Mandarin."

Tickets range in price from \$20 to \$71 with a limited number of box seats available for \$65 to \$123 and may be purchased at the Max M. Fisher Music Center box office, 3711 Woodward, Detroit; by calling (313) 576-5111; or online at [detroitssymphony.com](http://detroitssymphony.com).

The youth of the DSO's Civic Jazz Orchestra will jam along with the rhythms of jazz drummer Carl Allen led by Rodney Whitaker for one night only at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2 in the Allesee Rehearsal Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center.

A concert featuring selections from Oliver Nelson's 1961 album, "The Blues and

the Abstract Truth," takes place one hour prior to that evening's 8 p.m. DSO classical concert and is free for all DSO ticket holders.

Tickets for the Detroit Symphony Civic Jazz Orchestra are \$10 or free with a DSO ticket stub or ticket for the classical concert that evening. All tickets are general admission and can be purchased at the Max M. Fisher Music Center box office, 3711 Woodward, Detroit; by calling (313) 576-5111; or online at [detroitssymphony.com](http://detroitssymphony.com).

Detroit's young spoken-word talent takes The Music Box stage at 8 p.m. Feb. 9 for the first DSO Youth Poetry Slam. Teens will express their opinions on "Freedom, Love, Civil Rights and World Peace" in this event hosted by Kalimah Johnson of PicNap Poetry.

Poets do not need to pre-register to compete. Sign-up sheet will be available on-site the night of the event.

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NORTH GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Norsemen beat division rival



Grosse Pointe North's Christine Klein gathers in a rebound against Fraser.

PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

## Victory against Fraser puts North first alone in MAC Red

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Gary Bennett didn't have to worry about the intensity level of his Grosse Pointe North girls basketball team when it visited Fraser last Friday night.

"I knew they'd be ready to play," Bennett said after the Norsemen's 57-32 victory against the Ramblers in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division game. "They remember last year."

Fraser spoiled North's season a year ago, when it beat the Norsemen in the regional championship game.

Fraser went on to play in the Class A championship game. What was especially disturbing to North was that it had beaten the Ramblers twice during the regular season.

In Friday's contest, North was outstanding on both ends of the court.

"We executed well," Bennett said. "At the end of the first half, we didn't get to our spots on defense a couple of times, but we played hard, pushed the ball, competed well and took advantage of our size."

No one took advantage of her size more than the

Norsemen's 6-foot-1 Ariel Braker.

Braker scored a game-high 21 points, but she was a factor in many other ways. She pulled down 12 rebounds, had five steals and blocked five shots. In addition to the five blocks she was credited with, Braker also changed many of the Ramblers' attempts with her presence in the lane.

"She had a great game," Bennett said of his sophomore standout. "She's a great all-around player."

Braker was instrumental in North's press that caused Fraser to make several turnovers.

"When she attacks the ball-handler, they can't throw over her arms, and if they do, it's a lob and it's easy to pick one of them off," Bennett said.

It took a little while for North to get started offensively, but once it did there was no stopping the Norsemen.

North didn't score its first basket until Madie Kent hit a three-point shot with 3:31 left in the first quarter to give the Norsemen a 5-4 lead and put them ahead to stay.

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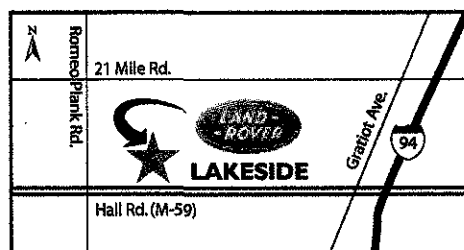
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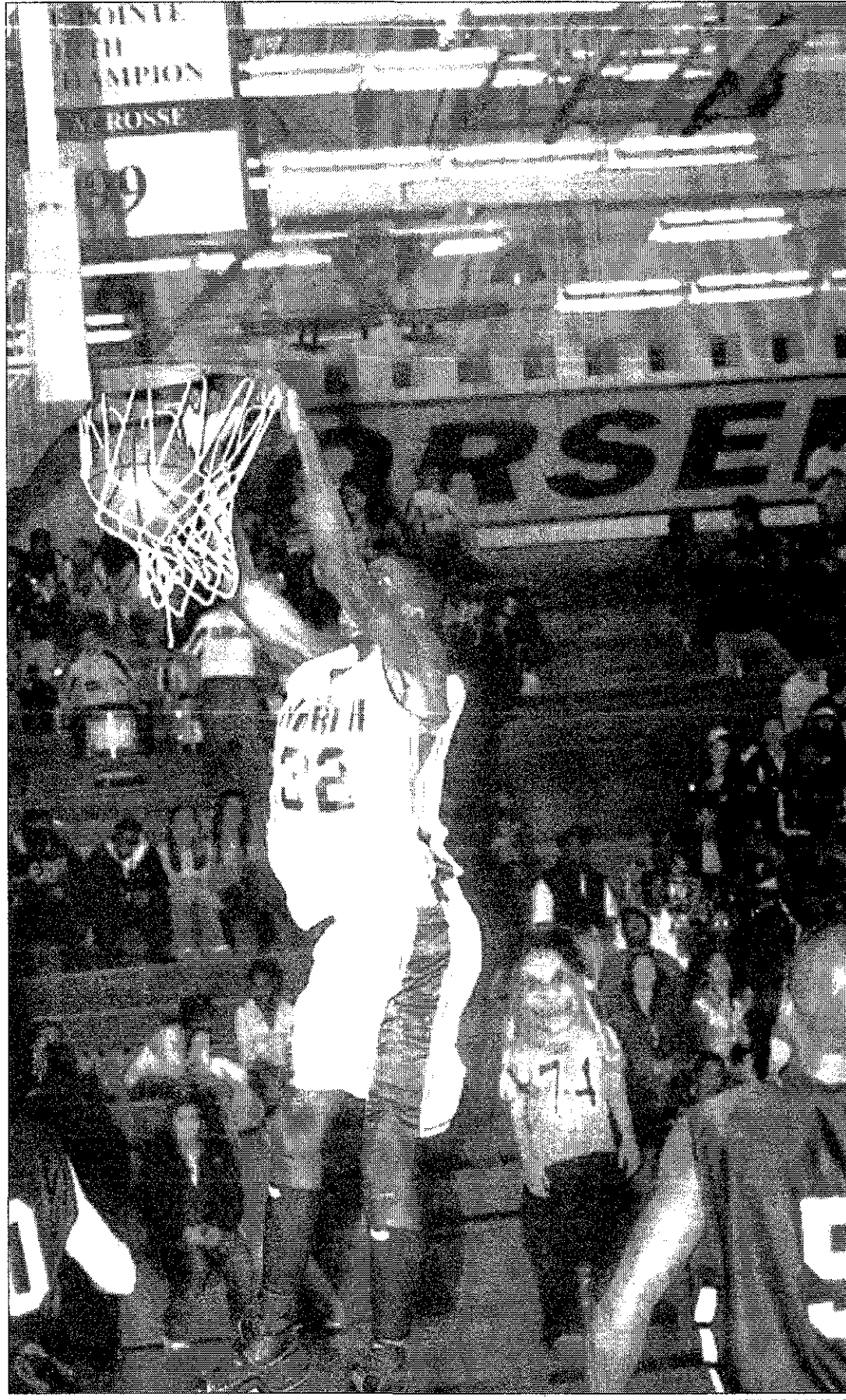


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Victories were a slam dunk for Grosse Pointe North's basketball teams last week as the boys and girls squads each picked up two victories. Here North's Nick Waller's slams home abasket in the Norsemen's victory against Roseville.

## North boys run streak to four

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Things have certainly changed around the Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team.

A couple of weeks ago, the Norsemen were wondering if they'd ever get that first victory. Now they're on a roll.

"They're starting to feel a lot better about themselves," said Coach Pat Donnelly after North ran its winning streak to four games with Macomb Area Conference crossover wins against East Detroit (61-50) and Roseville (76-61). "The kids are playing with a lot more confidence than they were earlier in the season."

Now with the second half of the Macomb Area Conference Red Division season starting this week, North would like to avenge the first-round defeats.

"They want to keep this going," Donnelly said.

"We have a number of revenge games coming up that we thought we should have won the first time we played these teams."

The Roseville game might have been the best the

Norsemen have played this season.

"We defended well against their dribble penetration and made them shoot jump shots, and we found people in transition," Donnelly said. "On offense, we did more running, which is something I've wanted to do. We got a lot of easy baskets. It sure helps when you get 10 or 12 points on layups."

There was a reason North wanted to do well against the Panthers.

"Last year we lost a big lead against them and they beat us at the buzzer," Donnelly said. "That jump started their season and sent our in the other direction."

The Norsemen led for most of the game against Roseville, which is tied for first place in the MAC Blue Division.

Matt Blunden led North with 18 points, while Nick Waller and Paul Bramos scored 11 apiece.

In the East Detroit game, North never was able to pull away although the Norsemen led for much of the contest.

North led 18-15 after the first quarter, increased the margin to seven points at halftime and

built the lead to 14 points in the third quarter.

"Then we had a couple of turnovers and their big guy, Russell Hicks, hurt us," Donnelly said. "We never lost the lead, but I never really felt that we had the game in hand."

The one thing that encouraged Donnelly was that everyone on the roster got a chance to play and they all made contributions.

"It was good experience," Donnelly said. "There wasn't any garbage time in this game."

Greg Blunden played a strong game defensively and also scored 11 points. Waller led North with 12 points and Jerry Peoples also scored 11.

Dan Calcaterra, who has been injured most of the season, came off the bench to provide some quality minutes.

"He's played three games now, and he's getting a better feel for it all the time," Donnelly said. "He hit a big three for us against East Detroit."

North plays at Romeo on Friday, then returns home for a game against Eisenhower on Jan. 29.

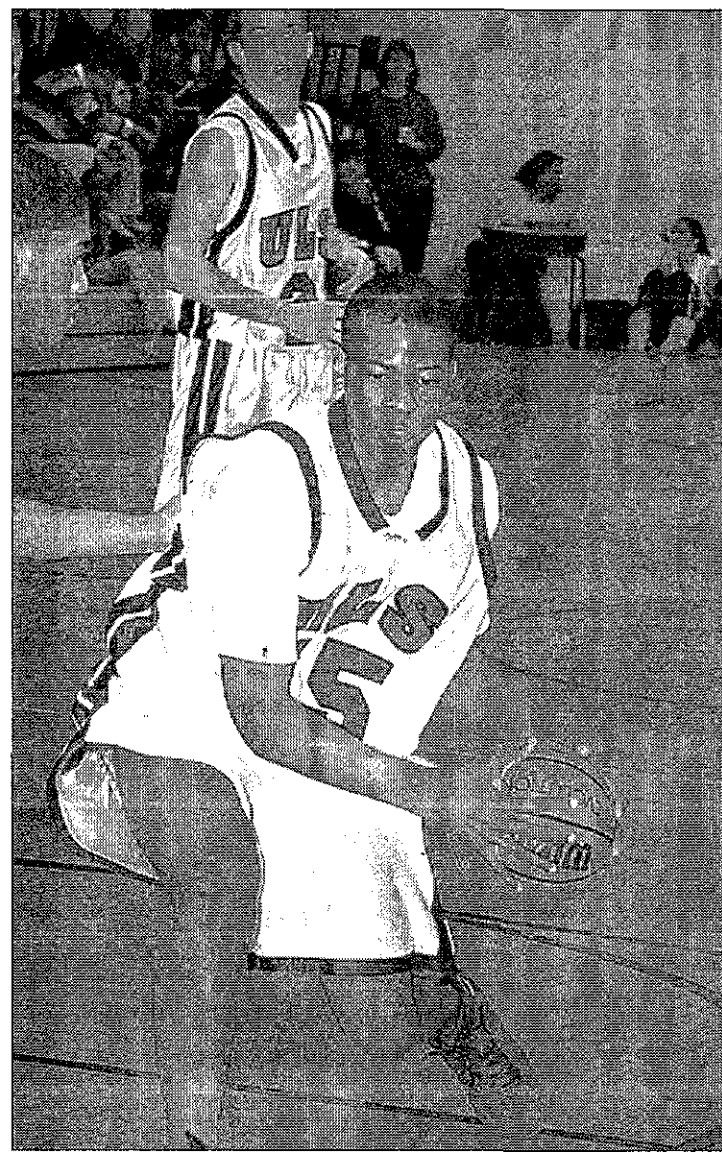


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Jeremiah Manning scored 19 points in University Liggett School's game with Cranbrook Kingswood.

## Cranes beat ULS in Metro

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Sometimes circumstances beyond a team's control can mess up a perfectly good game plan.

That's what happened to University Liggett School's boys basketball team in its Metro Conference game with Cranbrook Kingswood last week.

"We thought we had a good game plan, but then Aaron Heaney got into foul trouble and that hurt us," Knights coach Sidney Johnson said after his team's 69-57 defeat.

"He's our best rebounder and he wound up playing only about seven or eight minutes. Without him, we gave up a lot of second and even some third shots."

Another plan was to shadow Cranbrook's leading scorer.

"We did a good job on him, but then their point guard got

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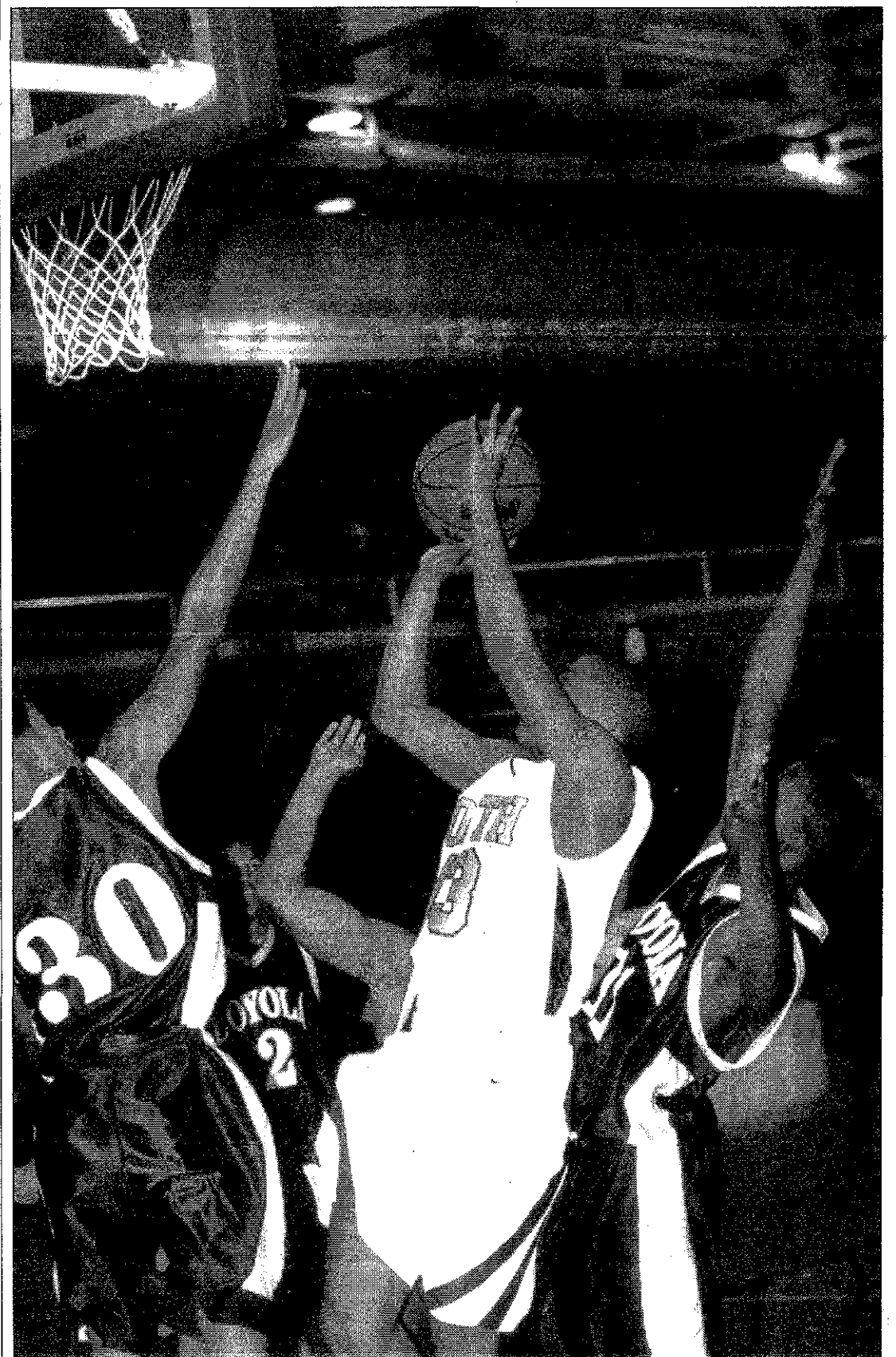


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Maurice Bunting drives to the basket for Grosse Pointe South in its game against Detroit Loyola.

## South beats two mat foes

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys basketball team is improving. You just can't tell it by the Blue Devils' record, which fell to 3-8 last week.

"We're not a bad team, but people look at our record and don't think we're very good," said South coach Jim Twigg. "We're just missing something — probably luck as much as anything else. It's a tough-luck year. We've lost so many close games."

Grosse Pointe South's wrestling team posted a pair of victories last week, defeating Mount Clemens 63-3 and downing Madison 45-33. Nolan Goodall had two pins for the Blue Devils. Also winning by falls were Griffin Forton, Joey Konen, Max Thomas, Blake Bowman, T.J. Carter and Reggie Lewis.

One of those tight defeats came last week against defending Macomb Area Conference White Division champion Cousino.

The Patriots escaped with a 58-55 victory after watching a 10-point lead evaporate late in the second half. South tied the game at 55-all with just under a minute remaining, but Cousino made a free throw to break the tie, then scored on a fast break after a missed free throw by the Blue Devils.

It was a much different game than the 54-34 Cousino victory

a week and a half earlier.

"We played much better," Twigg said. "We're improving, even though the record might not show it. We're going to keep plugging away."

Cousino's depth was the difference in the game this time.

"Our top three offensive players outplayed their top three," Twigg said. "The difference was from four through seven."

Jimmy Saros continued to play well for South and led the Blue Devils with 24 points. P.T. Shirar had 14 points and Jarvis

Wise scored 11.

Earlier, South ran into a hot-shooting Detroit Loyola squad and wound up losing 57-44.

"They shot 65 percent from the field," Twigg said.

"That's a good team. They're ranked seventh in the state in Class C."

The beginning of the second half might have been the turning point in the game.

South cut Loyola's lead to seven points at halftime, but the Bull Dogs started the second half with an 8-0 run.

"Their point guard, who didn't

take a shot in the first half, hit two three-pointers in that run," Twigg said.

Loyola had another advantage over the Blue Devils.

"We weren't quick enough to extend their defense," Twigg said. "We played with them for a while, but couldn't stay with them for the whole game."

Saros had nine points to lead South.

The Blue Devils play at Port Huron Northern on Friday, then return home for a game against Utica Ford II on Tuesday, Jan. 29.

## Luck's not on South's side this year

# Norsemen defeat Shamrocks

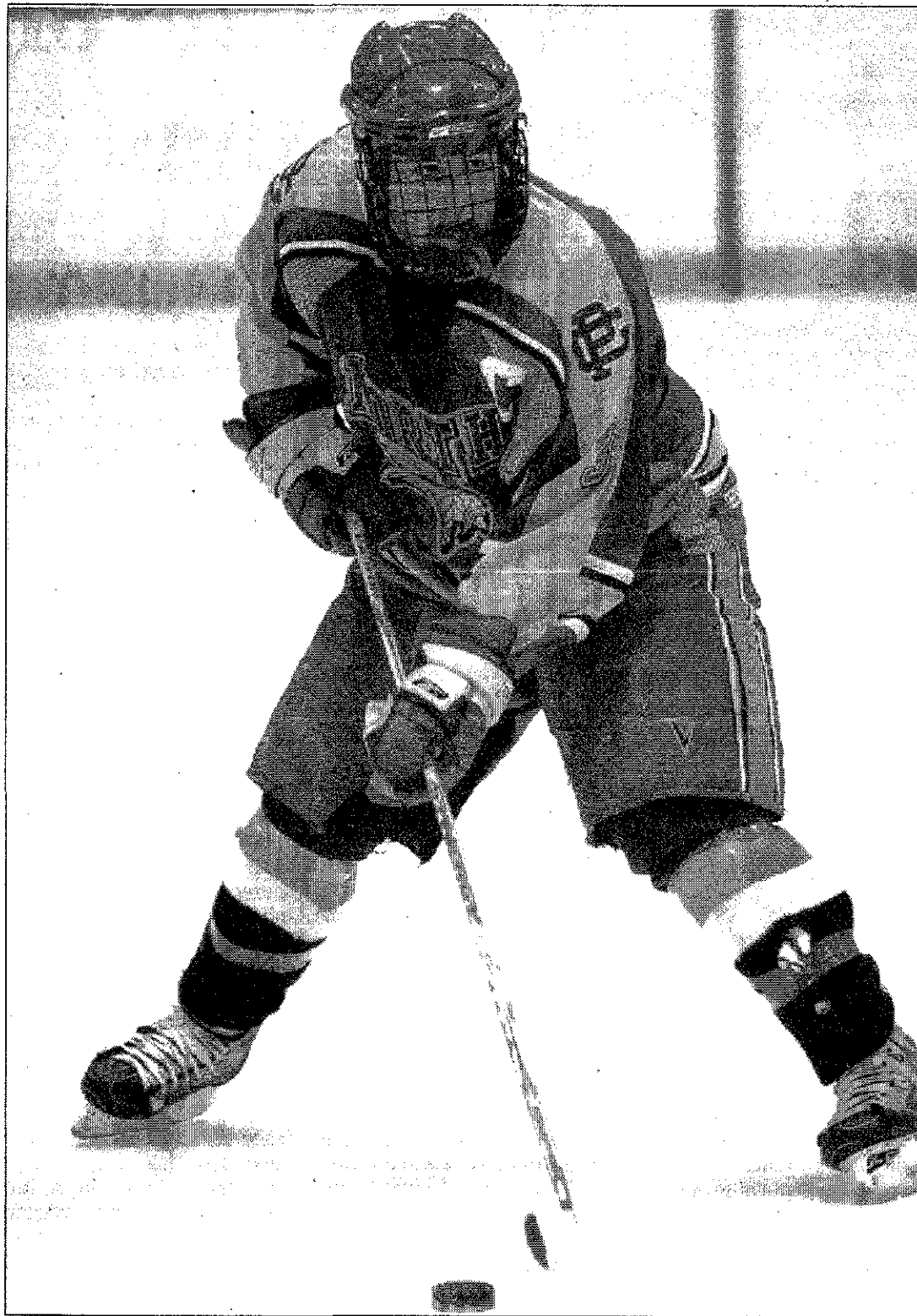


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Until last week, Michael Neveux was the only Grosse Pointe North player to have beaten Catholic Central.

## South struggles to score in third straight defeat

Grosse Pointe South's hockey team is going through one of those stretches where every mistake results in disaster.

And the end result is a three-game losing streak for the Blue Devils.

Last weekend, Allen Park escaped with a 3-2 victory against South in a game where the Blue Devils controlled the last two periods, but couldn't put the puck in the net.

The Jaguars opened the scoring at 2:25 of the first period on a play that typified South's recent plight.

"Just to show on things are going, on the breakout, one of our defenseman made a pass right on the stick of a wide-open wing," Blue Devils coach Bob Bopp said. "The wing couldn't catch the pass and it went off his stick to an Allen Park player, who shot it from

the blue line. It hit one of our defensemen on the shoulder and went in the net."

South tied the game on a goal by Kelly O'Donnell-Daudlin at 5:51 of the opening period. He was assisted by Brian Auty and Brandon Brundige.

"Kelly made a great shot just under the crossbar," Bopp said. "He's new at the forward position, but he's very good around the net. I'm sure he'll score a lot of goals for us the remainder of the season."

Allen Park regained the lead at 7:07 on a power-play goal.

"It was a nice play by their forward," Bopp said. "The shot was going wide and he tipped it in."

The Jaguars made it 3-1 on another power-play goal at 13:11 of the period. It was another miscue by the Blue

Devils that led to the goal.

One of South's defensemen fanned on a clearing attempt, an Allen Park player picked up the puck and shot it into the net.

It looked like a different Blue Devils team in the second period as they outshot the Jaguars 13-2.

"We came out like we should have come out to start the game," Bopp said.

Brian Auty scored an unassisted goal at 8:15 on a nice shot from the slot.

"Brian is a goal scorer and that was a great shot," Bopp said. "He has to keep shooting the puck every chance he gets."

Trevor Sattelmeyer, who took over in goal at the start of the second period, kept the game

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"That was a big shot," Bennett said. "When Madie hit that, it seemed to get us going." It certainly did.

Olivia Stander followed with a basket and Kelly DeFauw, who was outstanding on defense against Fraser's dangerous backcourt of Kelsey Irwin and Becca McHenry, drilled a three-pointer to put North ahead 10-4.

After a basket by McHenry, who led Fraser with 10 points, North went on a 13-0 run to lead 23-6 with 6:13 left in the first half. Braker had nine of the 13 points in the spurt.

The Norsemen's lead reached 19 points late in the second quarter, but three-point baskets by McHenry and Irwin and a putback by Kaitlyn

Marko at the buzzer cut the lead to 33-18 at the half.

North secured the win with a 10-0 run in the third quarter that featured seven points by Braker.

"We've come out strong in the third quarter in most of our games," Bennett said. "We tell them to play like it's 0-0 and try to win the quarter."

DeFauw and Kent finished with seven points apiece while Kayla Womack added six. Christine Klein added five points and five rebounds, and Stander dished out five assists.

Earlier, North rolled to an easy 61-28 victory against Stevenson in a MAC Red game.

The highlight for the Norsemen was a season-high 12 points for senior captain Sarah Perry. Perry went 4-for-4 from the free-throw line.

"Sarah played a great game," Bennett said. "It was good to see the ball go in for her. She made all the right moves. She's been an outstanding captain for us."

## ULS: Two Knights share scoring

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more aggressive with his shot and he started making baskets," Johnson said.

ULS trailed by nine points at halftime after the Cranes hit a three-point basket at the buzzer.

The Knights got within seven after three quarters, but couldn't cut into the lead any more in the fourth quarter.

Patrick Gustine and Jeremiah Manning led ULS with 19 points apiece.

The Knights had a busy week ahead with a game against Clawson on Tuesday, followed by a non-league contest against Conner Creek West and another Metro Conference battle on the road with Lutheran North on Friday, Jan. 25.

## Forechecking is key in North's 5-3 victory

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

Before last week, senior captain Michael Neveux was the only Grosse Pointe North hockey player who experienced the joy of beating Catholic Central.

Now, all of his teammates know the feeling.

"That was a big game for us in the league standings," North coach Scott Lock said after the Norsemen's 5-3 victory over the Shamrocks in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League game. "We're tied with CC. Now we just have to get somebody to beat Cranbrook. It's been a long time since we beat CC."

Every year the Norsemen and the Shamrocks are among the top teams in the MIHL. Beating CC is especially meaningful for Lock because he used to play for the Shamrocks. And Catholic Central coach Todd Johnson was an assistant coach for Lock when North won back-to-back state championships.

The game was one of the Norsemen's best efforts of the season.

"We sustained a good forecheck for most of the game," Lock said.

That was never more apparent than the third period when the Shamrocks had trouble getting the puck out of their own end.

"The first 12 minutes of the third period we were really sharp," Lock said. "We kept the puck in their end most of the time."

One of the leaders on the forecheck was Kevin Gibson, who was also instrumental along with Neveux and Anthony Raymond in killing off a 5-on-3 power play by CC for a minute and 13 seconds in the first period.

"We did a great job of killing those penalties," Lock said. "We blocked a lot of shots, and those that got through, Eric (goalie Eric Rohrkemper) made big saves on. He made a lot of nice saves."

The first period ended with the Shamrocks leading 1-0 on a shorthanded goal by Brad Higgins at 7:07.

As well as North played in the first period, it was even better in the second period.

Nine seconds into the period, Jimmy Tocco stole the puck in front of the CC net and scored on a backhand shot to tie the game at 1-1.

Dante DeSeranno, who has been on a hot streak lately, broke the tie with a goal at 7:13. John Neveux forced a turnover behind the net and passed to DeSeranno in front.

Scott Brown made it 3-1 at 8:25, when he intercepted the goalie's clearing pass and deposited the puck into the empty net.

"We knew they like to have their goalie play the puck, so we tried to be ready for that with our second wave of forecheckers," Lock said.

North nearly scored a second goal on a similar turnover later in the period but shot wide.

Ben Scarfone capped the Norsemen's five-goal second period with a pair of goals. He picked up a loose puck and skated in alone to score a shorthanded goal at 11:39. Just under two minutes later he scored again, assisted by DeSeranno and Brandon Davenport.

"That was Ben's best game of the year," Lock said. "He really bolted down the ice on those breakaways."

CC cut North's lead to 5-2, when Kyle Nelson scored from a goalmouth scramble with 1.2 seconds remaining in the sec-

ond period.

The Shamrocks scored their second shorthanded goal of the game with 1:06 left in the third period on a rebound by Louis Lemak.

Although he was obviously pleased with the way his team played, Lock wasn't gloating about the victory.

"In fairness to them, they were missing some skilled guys — a couple of solid defensemen and a couple of forward, who can do damage," Lock said.

Unfortunately for North, it wasn't able to duplicate its fine effort against CC when it played Clarkston a few nights later.

"It was like we had a hangover from the CC game," Lock said after the Wolves' 5-1 victory. "We played a lackluster game and we ran into a hot goalie. It was just one of those games, where nothing went right for us. Last week was a tough week with exams and the CC game. I think our guys were emotionally spent, but that's no excuse."

Clarkston scored four times in the first period, including two goals in the closing minutes of the period.

Scarfone scored a power-play goal for North, assisted by Gibson and Justin Kovacs, early in the second period, but the Wolves answered with a goal of their own that deflected off a North defenseman's skate.

"Michael Rahaim gave up five goals, but he also made some fantastic saves," Lock said. "All of their goals came after turnovers or on rebounds or off skates."

North has another tough week ahead. After playing at St. Clair Shores Unified on Wednesday, the Norsemen host Brother Rice at the Mount Clemens Ice Arena on Saturday.

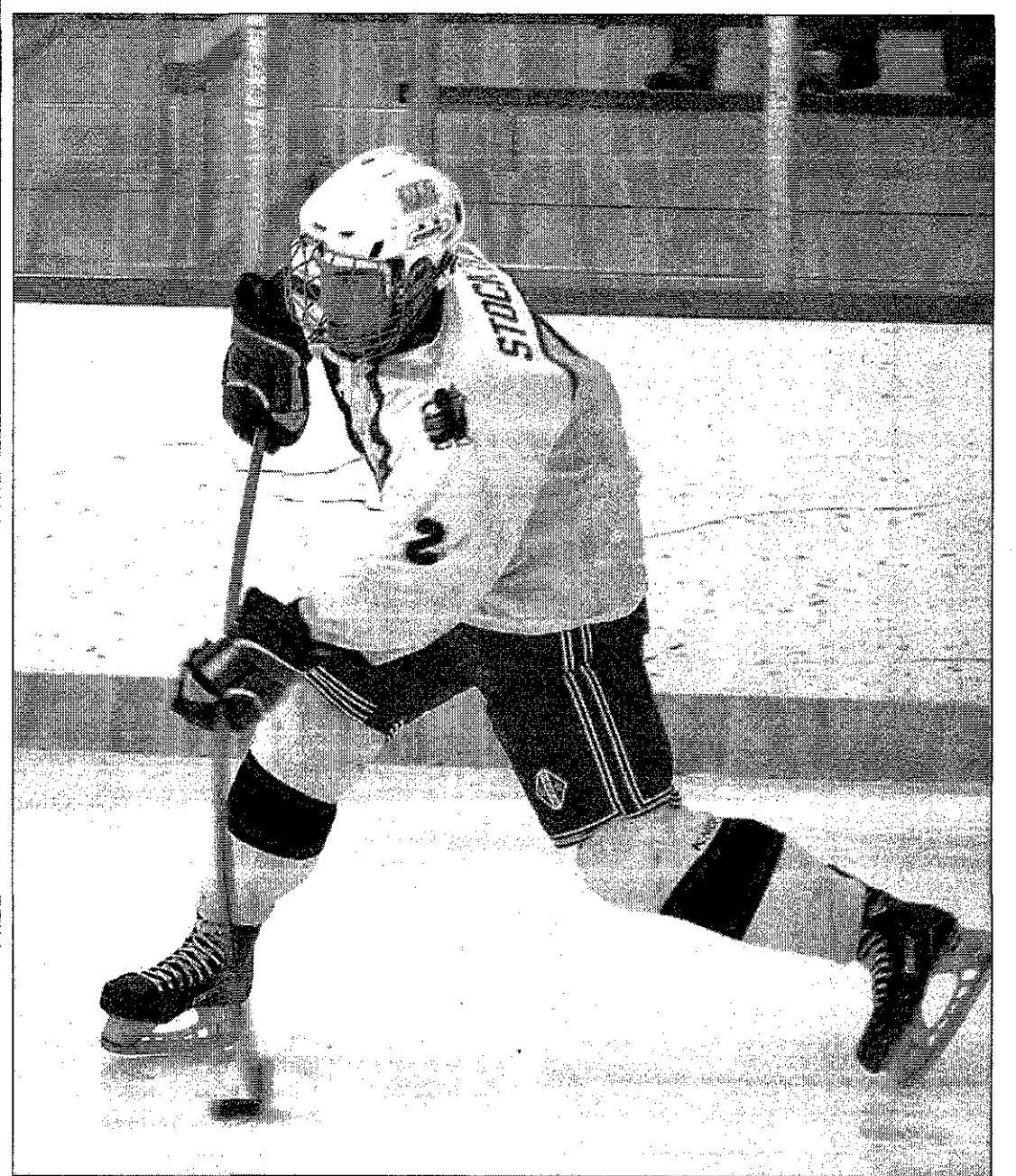


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John Stockman scored three goals in a losing cause for University Liggett School.

## Knights defeated in 9-7 shootout

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

The University Liggett School boys hockey team nearly stole a wild game from host Chippewa Valley last weekend.

The Knights, trailing 6-2 after the opening period and 9-4 at one point in the second stanza, stormed back but fell short in a 9-7 loss.

"I'm not happy we gave up nine goals, but I am happy with

the gutsy effort our kids gave against a big, physical Chippewa Valley squad," ULS head coach Terry Olson said.

The Knights led 1-0 1:42 into the opening period, when sophomore John Stockmann scored an unassisted goal.

The Big Reds scored three unanswered goals to lead 3-1 before junior Drew Amato tallied, assisted by sophomore Jim Palmer.

However, the home team

wasn't done scoring as it pushed three more goals home before the period ended, taking a 6-2 lead.

Stockmann scored 35 seconds into the second period before once again, the Big Reds scored three straight goals, stretching their advantage to 9-3.

Stockmann completed his first-ever hat trick for the

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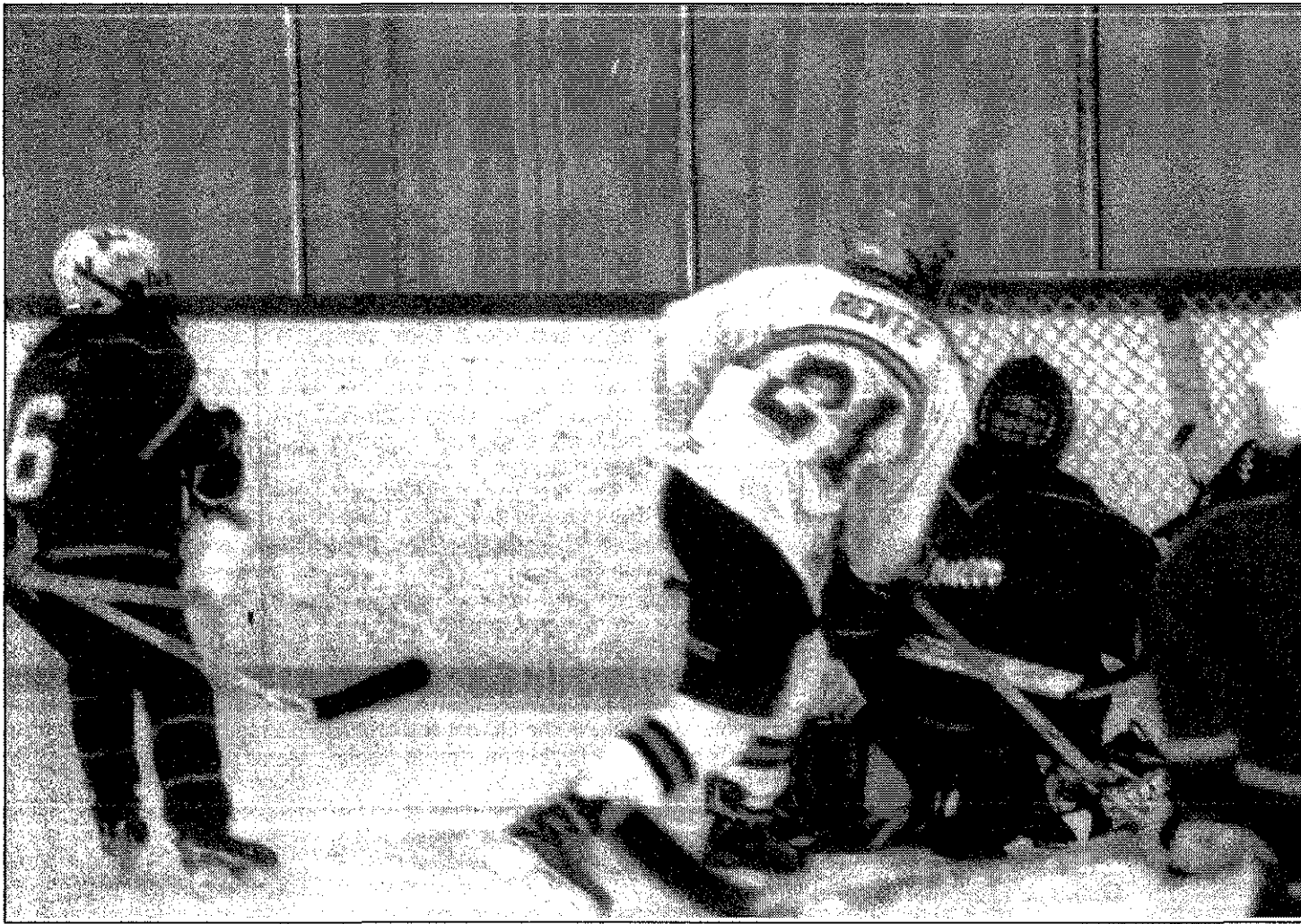


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Grosse Pointe South's Alex Rentz scores the Blue Devils' first goal on a shot over the shoulder of the Pioneer goalie.

# Blue Devils win battle of unbeatens

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe South's girls hockey team won a battle of the unbeatens last week, defeating visiting Ann Arbor 4-2.

The Pioneers came into the game at 5-0 and the Lady Blue Devils were 8-0-1 with the only blemish a 4-4 tie with arch rival Grosse Pointe North.

"This is the way we're supposed to play," South head coach Bill Fox said. "This was a great high school girls hockey game with two strong teams competing."

The story of the game was junior goaltender, C. J. Jarboe, who stopped 18 of 20 shots, including two highlight saves midway through the second period that helped the Lady Blue Devils maintain their slim lead.

"C. J. played her best game of the season tonight," Fox said. "She was outstanding, making some fantastic saves that were key to the win."

The win was even more impressive because the Lady Blue Devils were missing three of its top players.

"Ann Arbor is a good team, which makes this win even better," Fox said. "We had to juggle the lines a bit since three of our top girls were missing, but the girls we put in did a nice

job."

Senior Alex Rentz and sophomore Emma Hull scored in the opening period to give the home squad an early 2-0 lead.

Senior Anna Shepard and sophomore Jessica Snella assisted on Rentz's goal, while junior Kelsey Burgess drew the only assist on Hull's tally.

The Pioneers scored their first goal with 1:49 left in the opening period when Rachel Freeman tallied.

South got the only goal in the second stanza. With 5:50 left, Hull blasted home a shot with junior Erin Shook and sophomore Tara Bolton recording assists.

The Lady Blue Devils made it 4-1 when Burgess tallied an unassisted goal at the 14:08 mark, but Angie Chronis scored a little more than a minute later to make it interesting.

The home team outshot the Pioneers 23-20 and killed each of the six minor penalties whistled against it. Ann Arbor had only one minor penalty.

In its previous game against Northville, the two teams combined for 28 total major and minor penalties.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 9-0-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and overall.

## Two key wins for Norsemen

By Bob St. John  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North's girls hockey team beat Northville 4-1 and shut out Livonia Ladywood last week.

It was the Lady Norsemen's third win over the Mustangs this season and sixth straight during the past two seasons.

"We started off slow again, but picked it up and won what turned out to be a good game," North head coach Scott Dockett said.

"Northville played, in my opinion, its best game against us in my two years as head coach. They were quick and aggressive, which we haven't seen from an opponent in some time."

Senior goalie Rachael Lentz was the player of the game, according to Dockett.

She made several key saves early in the third period that helped the Lady Norsemen maintain its three-goal cushion.

"Rachael was outstanding tonight," Dockett said. "This was her best game in net because Northville had some scoring chances that she denied."

The home team scored twice in the opening period, when sophomore Nikki Capizzo, assisted by junior Alexa Quinlan, and senior Meredith Chicklas, assisted by junior Alexa Lucchese, tallied at the 5:18 and 3:25 mark, respectively.

Northville's Eve Avdoulos

scored early in the second period, cutting the deficit to 2-1.

The Lady Norsemen responded with a goal at the 5:45 mark and a powerplay tally at the 3:50 mark to open the three-goal margin.

Freshman Kailey Sickmiller scored the first goal, assisted by junior Lauren Walsh and Quinlan, and senior Katie Latimer tallied the second goal — her first of the season — assisted by Lucchese and Walsh.

Neither team scored in the final period despite each producing several good scoring chances.

"It was good for us to face Northville tonight, because we have a tough Ladywood team tomorrow night," Dockett said. "Ladywood played us tough

the first time and we expect the same tomorrow."

North played one of its best games of the season the following night, shutting out host Livonia Ladywood 2-0.

Latimer, after missing nearly the entire first half of the season with a broken collarbone, scored both goals to lead the way.

Quinlan and Capizzo drew the only assists on the two tallies.

Lentz had plenty of defensive help to post another shutout and stop one of the hottest teams in the league.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 10-1-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 12-1-1 overall.

## South wins thriller against Dakota

By Chuck Klonke  
Sports Editor

It doesn't matter how long a team leads in a basketball game.

What's important is when it leads.

Grosse Pointe South's girls basketball team scored the first point of the game, then didn't lead again until overtime last week in its 51-47 victory against Dakota in the Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

"We've won a lot of close games this year," said Blue Devils coach Kevin Richards. "That says a lot about these girls. They're fierce competitors."

Clare Conway, who scored six of her 12 points in overtime, put South ahead to stay with a nice reverse layup.

That capped a comeback for the Blue Devils, who trailed by nine points with less than two minutes remaining in the first half. Chloe Srebernak, who had an outstanding all-around game, went on a 5-0 run by herself to slice the margin to four points at the break.

"Chloe is as good as any perimeter player I've ever coached at taking the ball to the rim," Richards said. "She goes to the basket so hard. I'm excited that she's only a sophomore and we'll have her for two more years."

South still trailed by two points after three quarters. It was tight throughout the final quarter with Dakota taking a two-point lead, only to have the Blue Devils pull back into a tie.

"We just kept hanging around," Richards said. "We were aggressive going to the basket. We got to the line 38 times. That's the good part. Unfortunately, we only made 19. We could have made things

easier on ourselves if we had made a few more."

Srebernak led South with 17 points, but she also collected nine rebounds, six steals and three blocks.

South had several other solid performances.

"Megan DeBoer played her usual great defense," Richards said. "She kept Dakota's leading scorer, Chantel Herring, in check."

"Aisha Rodney played a good second half. She was aggressive, but smart at staying out of foul trouble."

The Blue Devils had key contributions off the bench from Jackie Farber and Katie Hamm, who was just called up from the junior varsity.

"Jackie hit a big three and handled the ball well against Dakota's pressure," Richards said. "Katie gave us some good minutes. She'll help us expand our bench and will give us a better rotation."

The outcome wasn't as good earlier in the week, when South lost 47-23 to Chippewa Valley, which leads the MAC White with a 5-0 record and is 11-1 overall.

The turning point in the game came during the final seconds of the first half. The Big Reds were leading by five points, but they made a three-point basket, then scored after a Blue Devils turnover to lead by 10 points at the half.

Cold shooting was South's biggest downfall.

"We worked an hour and a half the two days before the game preparing for their half-court defense," Richards said. "We did everything we wanted to do, except hit our shots. We only shot 19 percent for the game."

"We had some turnovers, too. They sat in a matchup zone and we got a little careless handling the ball."

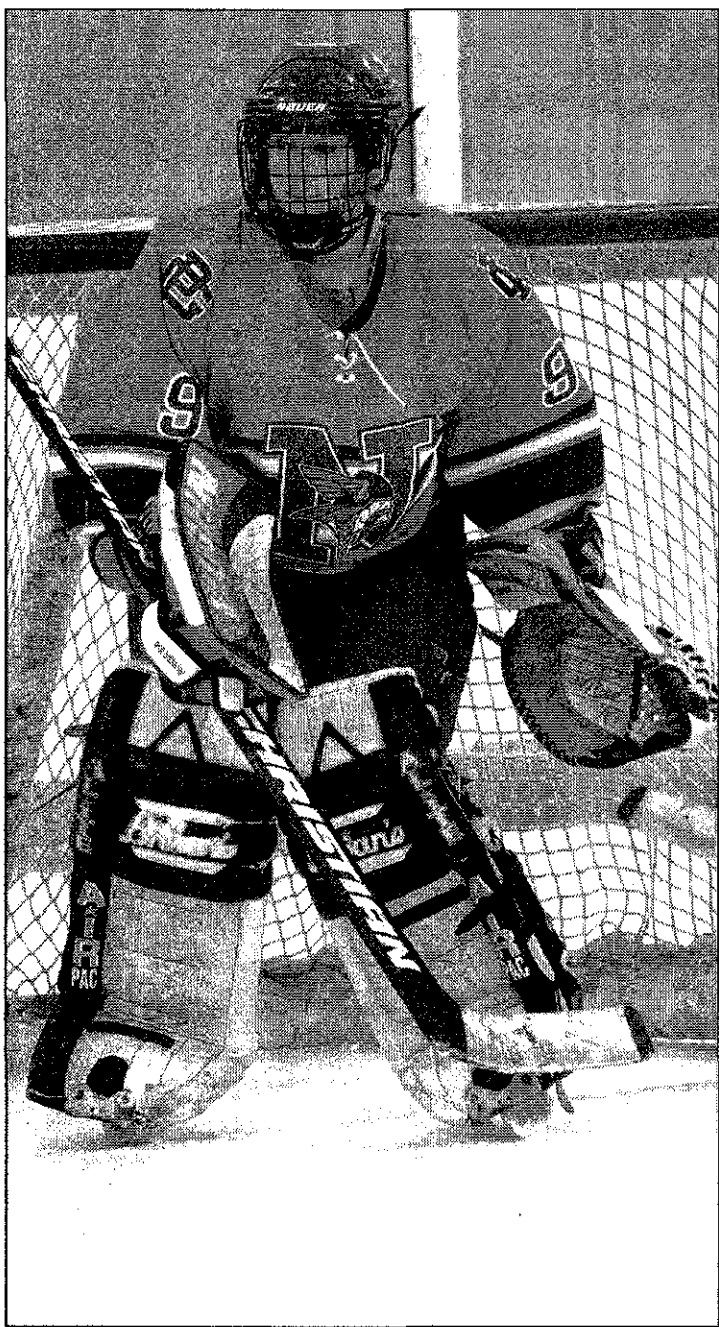


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Grosse Pointe North's Rachael Lentz, above, made several spectacular glove saves to help the Norsemen beat Northville.

## North swims past L'Anse Creuse

Grosse Pointe North's swimming team came from behind to beat L'Anse Creuse 102-84 in a meet that featured a pool record by the Norsemen's Cameron Howle in the 500-yard freestyle.

Michael Lane won the 100 butterfly and the 100 breaststroke for North. Max Hunt won the 100 freestyle. Hunt's time was a season best.

Other season-best perfor-

mances came from Jeff Moore and Jeff Burns, 100 freestyle; Hunt, 200 freestyle; Alex Fly, Scott Adelson and Tommy Milne, 500 freestyle; Robert Tripp, 100 backstroke; Lane, Andrew Paige, David Castile and Blair Listwan, 100 butterfly; Zach Hannah and Louis Sarovolatz, 200 individual medley; and Brandon Preston, Sean Ireland, Mitchell Gross and Wesley Channel, diving.

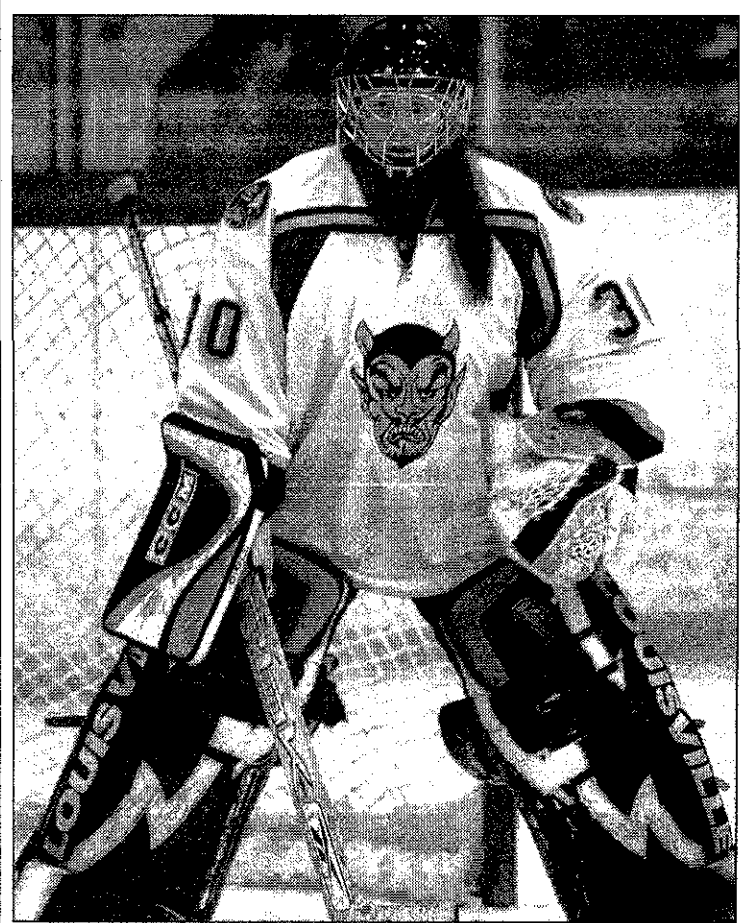


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Grosse Pointe South's C. J. Jarboe, above, made several spectacular saves to help the Blue Devils beat Ann Arbor.

## KNIGHTS: Stockman scores three

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Knights, scoring at the 2:39 mark to make it a 9-4 game.

Within the first five minutes of the final period, a once commanding lead turned into a nailbiter.

Olson's squad got goals by sophomore Dan Zukas, assisted by seniors Mike Thomas and Mike Burchi; Thomas unassisted; and Zukas, assisted by Thomas and junior Clarke Dirksen, to make it a game again.

"We had a long talk between the second and third periods, telling the boys they had to stay with it and give it their best shot," Olson said. "I was proud of the guys for hanging in there, playing hard until the final horn."

"We had a couple of good scoring opportunities. I think this could have been a 9-9 game."

University Liggett School fell to 5-8 overall.

## SOUTH: Tournament is next

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close with a good save on a breakaway by Allen Park.

South had a 10-2 advantage in third-period shots.

"Our power play, which was so good, has been struggling with finishing," Bopp said. "We're moving the puck well, but it isn't going into the net for us. It's frustrating, but if we keep getting so many scoring opportunities, the puck is going to start going in."

This weekend, South will play in the East Kentwood tournament. The Blue Devils open against Traverse City Central. The other semifinal game will pit East Kentwood against South Lyon.

"We just have to keep working hard," Bopp said. "We're a good team. We're just having a rough time right now, which is something we're not used to. We have some very good teams coming up, starting with Traverse City Central."

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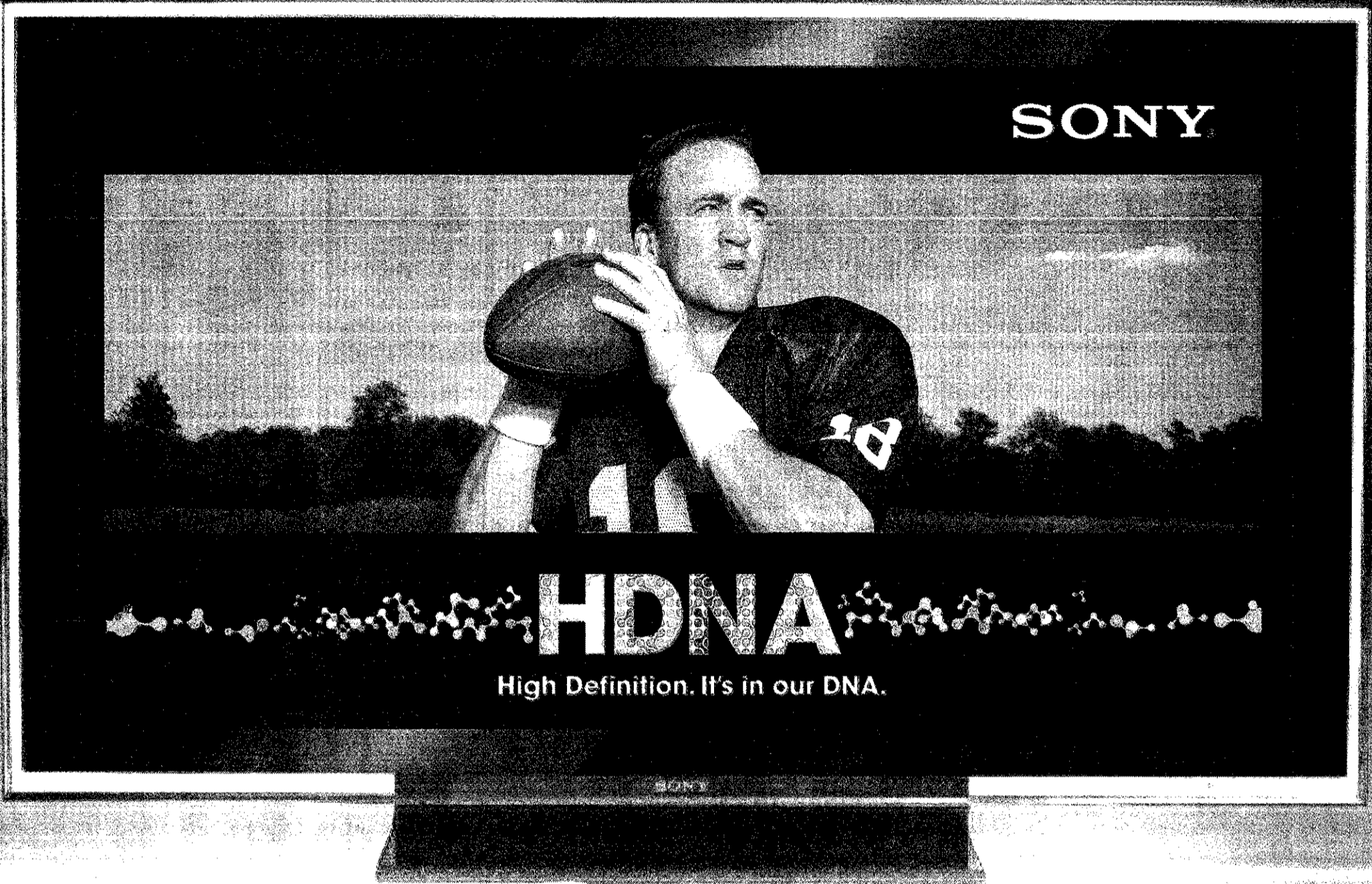
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