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WELCOME TO *Wyandotte!*

On behalf of our elected officials, it is my heartfelt pleasure to warmly welcome you to the beautiful city of Wyandotte for the 64th Annual Wyandotte Street Art Fair!

This year's event promises to be one of our best yet, featuring over 300 artist booths showcasing exceptional talent in arts, culture, and entertainment. You'll also find an exciting array of exhibitors and delicious food options sure to please every palate. While you're here, be sure to explore our vibrant downtown—take advantage of the sidewalk sales and dine at one of our many outstanding local restaurants.

We also invite you to enjoy the Wyandotte Social District, established in August 2020 by our mayor and city council. This unique "open container" district allows visitors to purchase beer, wine, or spirits from participating bars and restaurants and enjoy them as they stroll through the designated common areas. Just look for the specially marked cups and stay within the boundaries of the district, open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We're so glad you've joined us and hope this visit is just the beginning of many more. Thank you for being part of this cherished Wyandotte tradition—we're thrilled to have you here!



Robert A. DeSana, Mayor
City of Wyandotte
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Wyandotte Street Art Fair:

GENERAL INFORMATION

DATES: The 2025 Wyandotte Street Art Fair is held from Wednesday, July 9 through Saturday, July 12. The fair is traditionally held the second full week of July each year.

HOURS: Art Fair: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

LOCATION: The fair is located along Biddle Avenue between Eureka and Oak Streets, in Downtown Wyandotte.

Please check our website for any updates and changes for the 2025 Wyandotte Street Art Fair.



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Featured Artist

Daisy Moline



Born and raised in Wyandotte, Daisy is currently a junior at Roosevelt High School. A dedicated student-athlete, she participates in both varsity swimming and soccer, while also pursuing her passion for the visual arts.

Her artistic practice spans multiple mediums, with a particular focus on graphite drawing, through which she explores emotional depth and conceptual themes. Her work frequently features motifs such as skeletons, animals, nature, and the human form.

Daisy is an active member of the National Art Honor Society, Art Club, and her school's video productions and broadcasting programs. She

was recently recognized at the DAFT Film Festival, where her stop-motion short film, "The Acceptance of Sham," received the award for Best Experimental Film.

For the 2025 Wyandotte Street Art Fair, Daisy created a piece titled Art and Dotte, rendered entirely in pencil to reflect her signature style. Drawing inspiration from her love of steampunk aesthetics and her studies in local history, she incorporated elements of Wyandotte's industrial legacy—specifically the role of Eureka Iron Works in early steel production. The piece features the characters Art and Dotte working on the historic clock tower on Biddle Avenue, symbolizing their intrinsic connection to the city's heritage.



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Meet Art

A WYANDOTTE ORIGINAL!



ART is one of the earliest creative icons to represent the Wyandotte Street Art Fair. His cheerful likeness was recently rediscovered on a vintage fair poster tucked away in the archives of the Wyandotte Museum. ART made his debut back in 1964, when the fair was just three years young, and he's been capturing hearts ever since.

With his fun, funky, and imaginative vibe, ART perfectly embodies the spirit of the Wyandotte Street Art Fair. Originally designed as a bold and whimsical line drawing, he's more than just a mascot—he's a piece of Wyandotte history. The fair itself, started by the Acanthus Art Society, quickly became one of the city's most beloved summer traditions.

This year, during our "Kids at Work" day, the Special Events Office got creative with local children—making crafts and sharing stories about ART and the vibrant fair he symbolizes.

We also introduced ART's family, including Dotte and their playful pup, Pigment.

And we have exciting news! Thanks to the imagination of Wilson Middle School student Ava Martinez, we're thrilled to welcome a new member to the crew: Hugh, a sweet orange cat full of charm and creativity. Welcome to the family, Hugh!



Ava Martinez



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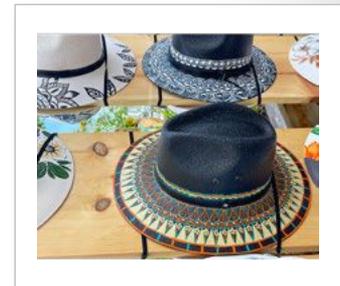
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6/8/A	Clyde Mazza
57,58,59,60/A	Joe Kisselburg/Kiss of Color
96/B	Sawai Namewicha/CUT OUT DESIGNS
121/122/ 123/124/B	Rob Rex li/My State Designs
159/C	Trey Klingensmith/Bonitos Hats
167/C	Nancy Ellenberger/Nancy's Fancies
184/186/C	Alice Teerakulpisut/SIAM Boutique
193/195/C	Molly Deighton/Molly Louise Shop LLC
209/D	Chuck Manley/Sick Hat Bro LLC DBA "Lower Park"
228/D	Tirzah Washington/ Love My Shawl
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Fiber

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3/A	Celena Burkhart/Shug's Hugs
14/A	Rob Shannon/Crushable Hats
30/A	Lucy Moore/Lucy's Toys
35/A	Taqiyyah Williams/Navillera Creations
41/A	Patty Pun
50/A	Patty Herrera/Patty & Company
53/55/A	Gary Bender/Dixie Bags
87/B	Kelley Skillin/Katydids Kritters
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100/B	Gene and Judy Cantrell/ geneandjudysrugs
147/C	Catherine Laughery/CL Creates
150/C	Dawn Rockett/Black Sheep Doll CO
163/C	Jeanne Scannell/jeanne scannell
168/C	JAI Leonhard/Jaioriginals
188/C	Nuray Sari/nkartdesign
197/199/C	Clara Syphrit/Hazel Beachwear
231/D	Robin Cardona/Purses by Robin
244/246/D	Sophie Mariette/Freak n Chic

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Creative Montessori Academy

An educational environment that fosters independence, curiosity and love of learning

By Terry Jacoby

CREATED around the core values of responsibility, kindness, curiosity, persistence and leadership, Creative Montessori Academy in Southgate is a diverse learning environment that cultivates innovative education through partnership with families and community, where all students experience opportunities to maximize their potential for leadership and service in a global society.

"We love how family-oriented the school is and how much it focuses on the happiness and the future of our children," states the testimonial of a current parent. "The staff are all super friendly and are always smiling and willing to do all they can to help when help is needed."

CMA is authorized by Central Michigan University and provides a tuition-free Montessori program for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. CMA also offers a tuition-based preschool as well as a Great Start Readiness Program.

Since its beginning in 2001, the academy has grown from 125 students to 759 students this past fall, and offers a highly qualified staff that is rich with seasoned Montessori teachers, many of whom have been with CMA since it became a public school academy.

Through a rigorous curriculum, students have the opportunity to work at a self-directed pace, allowing them to dedicate time to areas where they need the most focus. Teachers work alongside students and families to ensure that each student is on the path to success. CMA recognizes that complete success cannot be achieved without the support and partnership of families.

Students have benefited not only from the rigorous curriculum but also from CMA's recent building expansion. This expansion included additional middle school classrooms to help serve the growing community, including break-out spaces with comfortable seating and a maker's space room to use for project-based collaborative learning. The project also included a more secure entrance and vestibule for added security, a new technology lab, a

new band/music room and a new science lab, with creative tools for instructional levels



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including an outdoor space for hands-on activities.

CMA is unique in many ways from the traditional public school model. Montessori education is a child-centered approach that nurtures academic, emotional and social growth by encouraging curiosity, independence and a love of learning. In hands-on, multi-age classrooms, students explore at their own pace, build confidence and develop leadership in a close-knit, community-like environment.

For families seeking an educational environment that fosters independence, curiosity and lifelong love of learning, CMA offers walk-in guided tours every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. During the visit, you will have the opportunity to explore the thoughtfully designed campus, observe the Montessori method in action and meet experienced staff members who are dedicated to supporting student development. Whether Montessori education is a new concept or a familiar one, the tour will help provide valuable insight on how CMA nurtures academic, social and emotional growth.

To learn more or set up a tour outside of these hours, visit creative-montessori.com (<https://creative-montessori.com>) or call the front office at (734) 284-5600.

CMA, a tuition-free charter school, is open to all students who would like to attend. Charter schools extend the privilege of choice to all families and provide options for parents and students in pursuing their ideal educational experience. Creative Montessori Academy is located at 12701 McCann Avenue, in Southgate. For more information call (734) 284-5600 or log onto creative-montessori.com. CMA is proudly managed by Choice Schools Associates and authorized by Central Michigan University.



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18/A	Brian Reagan/brickhouse partners ltd	www.bhpltdohio.com
101/B	Brent Alferink/Home Port Supply Co.	homeportsupplyco.com
215/D	Kodama Psyokami/Arcane Cluster	www.ArcaneCluster.com
274/275/D	Cheryl Baker/ Timeless Art of Cheryl Baker	www.cherylbakerartist.com

Brent Alferink



Mixed Media

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1 & 2/A	Acanthus Art Society	www.waterstonetreasures.com
9/10/A	Ryan Lapeer/Waterstone Treasures	homefields.com
15/A	Glen Serra/Home Fields, Inc.	
16/A	Pla Vang/H.M.O.N.Gifts	
17/19/A	Roberta Rhoades/Beachwood Bay Designs	Beachwoodbaydesigns.com
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debt reduction, the solutions found through Choice Map are in line with Community Choice Credit Union's guiding purpose.

"Part of the credit union movement is people helping people," McMacken said. "We know we want to be a positive force in the community and help improve the financial wellness of our members. It's something we're excited about and something we're eager to be able to provide."

"We've always been, as a credit union, our members' best partner in their financial journey. We've been delivering this program in our member centers for about a year, and we already have about 1,000 members enrolled," McMacken said.

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22/24/A	Eric Kahmann/Harpstone
23/A	Juan Lee/Art Silver Studio/Art in the Valley
38/A	Tyler Hamilton/Spectral Stone
43/A	Wanpen Ruang/Flower Jewelry
61/A	Chelsea Malnar/Coopers Creative Nook
62/64/A	Valerie Clark/Clay by Clark
79/B	Ryan Tiburzio/Bejeweling
89/B	Gabriela Baumgartner/Stone-Good Jewelry
104/B	Kelly Civitarese/Bopbe
109/111/B	Christine Borowski/Hypknotica
113/B	Julie Kane/Sugarpop Circus
114/116/B	Catherine Watkins/Silver Linings 925
125/127/B	Scott Annas/Silvermine
126/128/B	Robert Betancourt/New Creations
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165/C	Mark Taylor/T & R JEWELRY
169/171/ 173/C	Gerri Pizzini
178/C	Marie Miklaszewski
181/C	Carlos Iglesias/Earlusion
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202/C	Luis Perez/Zerep, LLC
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Metal

Booth	Artist / Business Name
26/28/A	Judy Moeggenberg/Leaton Metal Designs
33/A	Dave Davis/Unique Creations
52/54/A	Robert Barkley/Michigan Made Metal
98/B	Todd Richter/CriticalMassArtslc
196/198/ 200/C	Neil Plotkin/MS METAL GUYS
206/D	Robert Lyall/Lyall's Labors, Ltd.
212/214/D	Dianna Sturman/D&S Copper Lawn Art
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239/241/D	Federico Aloisi/FnP Accessories
247/248/ 249/250/D	Jack Rak/Jacks Garden Art

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Defending Human Dignity

Upper Downriver Right to Life builds pro-life culture in community

By Kelsi Klein

UPPER Downriver Right to Life is an affiliate of Right to Life of Michigan – “a nonpartisan, nonsectarian, nonprofit organization of diverse and caring people united to protect the precious gift of human life at all stages, from fertilization to natural death.”

The organization serves the communities of Wyandotte, Southgate, Lincoln Park, Ecorse, River Rouge and southwest Detroit, working year-round to promote respect for human life through education, outreach and community involvement.

“A real advantage we have is that we’re a smaller group working locally, but we’re connected to the state organization of volunteers,” said Debbie Bloomfield, vice president of the Upper Downriver Right to Life.

Whether it’s through organizing local events, supporting families or promoting educational opportunities, Upper Downriver Right to Life is firmly rooted in the belief that all life is valuable at every stage.

One of the organization’s central goals is to provide consistent opportunities for people to get involved from where they are.

“We’re all about offering opportunities for individuals and families to be involved and almost every month we have something they can be a part of,” Bloomfield said.

From monthly activities to larger annual events, Upper Downriver Right to Life makes it easy for community members to engage with pro-life causes in ways that are both meaningful and accessible to people of all ages.

Some of their major yearly events include the high school oratory contest, the Life Walk and Pro-Life Picnic in



Rep. Jim DeSana at the Intro to Pro-Life Culture mini-conference organized by Upper Downriver Right to Life.

June, a fundraising dinner in September, the Life Chain in October and the Michigan March for Life in November in Lansing, among other events like being present to answer questions and spread awareness at local street fairs and parades.

A highlight of this year’s dinner on September 18 will be a presentation from Steven Mosher, president of the Population Research Institute and internationally recognized authority on China and population issues.

His talk, “Rebuilding a Culture of Life Within the Family,” will focus on strengthening families as the foundation of a life-affirming society.

The Upper Downriver Right to Life is also working closely with pregnancy centers, seeking to provide real, practical support to women in crisis.

Their motto, “Life, the Other Choice,” is part of a new campaign supported by Right to Life of Michigan aiming to provide answers and compassionate assistance to expecting mothers and directing them to call or text the 24-hour pregnancy helpline at 800-712-HELP (4357).

With education at the core of their work, the organization is also developing a curriculum that introduces K-12 students to pro-life values in age-appropriate ways, helping students and their parents to understand the philosophy of the value of each person and instilling respect for every life.

“We recognize that family is the building block of our society, so our pro-life work isn’t just trying to encourage moms to choose life even when circumstances are difficult, but it goes to the end of life and to people with disabilities who need extra attention,” Bloomfield said.

The Upper Downriver Right to Life relies heavily on community involvement to continue to play a vital role in defending human dignity in the Downriver community.

To learn more about Right to Life, visit www.rtl.org or the Upper Downriver Right to Life Facebook page or website www.udmi-rtl.org for local information.



Dennis Milosch, Carleton; Al Lemmo, Dearborn, Ed Kroll, UD-RTL President, and Debbie Bloomfield, UD-RTL Vice President.



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Painting

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18/A	Dominic Palazzolo
48/A	Noah DeRae/The Gay of Painting
76/B	Carolyn Garay
81/B	Matt Tisdale
82/84/B	Nancy Byrum/Cherry Tree Studio
94/B	Matthew Harubin/ Parlay Contemporary, L.L.C.
132C	Alexa Daluz
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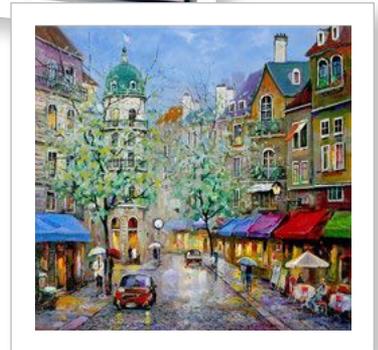
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Amy Haggard



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Watercolors

Booth	Artist / Business Name
21/A	Natalie Knight-Art by Nat/Nails by NK
257/D	Yuemin Xin

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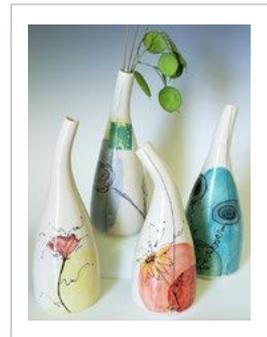
Pottery

Booth	Artist / Business Name
29/A	Paige Lee/The Potters Grove
70/B	Marla Pendleton/The Pendleton Studio
143/145/C	Erin A Hoekzema/Centripetal designs
156/158/C	Noah Kirk/Bayhead Clay Company LLC
161/C	Beth Schulte/Schulte Ceramics
182/C	Juliet Faber Smith/Earthly Elements Pottery
192/C	Corin Deinhart/ Pottery by Corin Sweeny Deinhart
211/213/D	Nancy Lind/Feathers & Fins

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Booth	Artist / Business Name
151/153/C	John Galbo
170/C	Ryan Jakubowski/ Ryan Jakubowski Photography
201/C	Chris Ammons/Ammo_Shoots
203/204/D	Scott Sternberg/Scotts Fine Art Productions

Website
www.jcphotography-mi.com



Ryan Jakubowski

Prints & Drawings

Booth	Artist / Business Name
4/A	Natalie Kraepel/Van Roth Arts
25/A	Mick Mcart/Mick Art Productions
27/A	Dominique Lewis/Future Frenzy
34/36/A	Jay Wennersten/Wennerstens Etchings
39/A	Mady Chen/Apple and Thistle
45/A	David Schmitzer/Start Studio Art
49/A	Sean Peacock/All Sorrows
51/A	Andrew Johnson
72/B	Tony Miello/The Art Of Tony Miello
75/B	Kenneth Dionisi/Kenisu-of-Dragons
77/B	Laine Carmona/Helianthus Hollow
93/B	John Martin/Pop's Art Mart
95/B	Ashley Waddell/Ashley Waddell Crafts
120/B	Christopher Touvell/3 Linx Prints
172/C	Mike Klok/Stuffed Brain Studio
218/D	Anthony Strublic/ Tony Strublic Maritime Artwork
233/D	Ernest Fackler/ECF Printshop

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Dan Sullivan



Grace Harris

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Glass

Booth	Artist / Business Name
46/A	Dan Sullivan/Original Glass Worx
47/A	Grace Harris
277/278/279/D	Marten Ullenbruch/Glass by Marten

Leather

Booth	Artist / Business Name
5/7/A	Brandy Heath/The Hat Bar of GA
65/66/B	Robert Hale/Coastal Leather

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‘Everyone Deserves to be Emotionally Healthy’

The Therapy Collective of Michigan provides authentic therapy in a welcoming environment By Terry Jacoby

SINCE The Therapy Collective of Michigan (TCM) started in 2021, the practice has expanded, recently moved and, most importantly, brought mental health care and psychotherapy services to the Downriver community.

“Everyone deserves to be emotionally healthy,” said founder/owner Emily Wezner-Stepaniak, LPC, NCC. “We’re on a mission to provide holistic mental health care, while also showing up as ourselves in the most authentic way in our sessions with clients. Our approach is all about being real with you, with a goal to make therapy feel as normal as grabbing coffee with a friend.”

TCM, a statewide group therapy practice that serves clients all over Michigan, offers a number of important services to their clients, including individual psychotherapy, which aims to improve an individual’s mental health and well-being; eye movement desensitization and reprocessing (EMDR), a non-invasive, evidence-based type of therapy that uses sensory input to help people overcome trauma and emotional distress; group therapy; play therapy; couples therapy; and accelerated resolution therapy (ART), which uses eye movements and visualization techniques to help individuals process and resolve trauma, anxiety and other distressing experiences. They accept many major insurances.

Wezner-Stepaniak said The Therapy Collective of Michigan is “not your typical therapy practice.”

“TCM is a collective of therapists that prioritize the mind + body connection,” she said.

Wezner-Stepaniak began her career as a solo practitioner with no intentions of growing into a group practice, but soon realized that she missed having colleagues and coworkers to share space with and bounce ideas off of.

“When I realized I was forced to turn away new clients because I did not have the space for them on my caseload, I decided to expand the practice so we could help more people in our community,” said Wezner-Stepaniak, an EMDR psychotherapist and clinical supervisor who is licensed in Michigan.

The team soon moved into a small suite with three offices in downtown

Wyandotte and began their journey.

“It was in this space that our practice was able to really grow, and last year I hired five clinicians, an admin team, and we hosted an intern,” Wezner-Stepaniak said. “I told each of the women upon interviewing them that I had a vision for the future, and I had plans to move us into a big, beautiful office space that felt warm and inviting.”

Those plans were realized in April, when TCM moved to Southgate. The new space includes a spacious waiting room, a dedicated group therapy room and nine plush, roomy offices for a more comfortable therapy experience.

“It has been amazing,” she said. “I also wanted to give our clients an alternative option to the standard medical model of wellness and health. I invited a holistic health practitioner and naturopath (Jill Diaz) to operate out of our space. She offers services such as applied kinesiology, nutritional counseling and reiki.”

Wezner-Stepaniak and her “amazing” team understand that seeking help isn’t always easy.

“We get that reaching out for therapy can be intimidating – it’s a big step,” she said. “But asking for help is a profound act of courage, and we are here to remind you that you don’t have to do it on your own.

“Everyone is unique and deserving of love and acceptance. We’re here to help.”

The Therapy Collective of Michigan is located at 13330 Fort Street in Southgate. For more information, call (734) 361-1416 or log on to therapycollectivemi.com.





Artist Listing by Media

Sculpture

Booth	Artist / Business Name
146/C	Ricardo Marganon/ Living Water Handcraft Creations
221/223/D	Chris Hildenbrandt/Yarbirds
500	Joseph Goddard/Hands Unlimited

Website

www.handsunlimited.com



Chris Hildenbrandt

Wood

Booth	Artist / Business Name
13/A	Karen Kennedy
40/42/A	Theodore Bushey/Llama Mama LLC
63/A	Jeff Kurinec/Rocky Top Woodworks
67/B	Thad Johnson/Red Lava Toys
69/B	Amanda Stephenson/Sapphire Wood Studio
83/85/B	Donald Peterson/Wood Dreams LLC
118/B	Matan Tsufim/Mushroom Lights
130/C	Rebecca Lowe/ Rebecca Lowe's Woodcut Critters
141/C	Doug Sattler/Sleeping Bear Woodworks
174/176/C	Ashley Till/Southern Roots Designs
175/177/ 179/C	Tom Seljan/Vintage Classics by Tom
217/219/D	Cory Frank/Better Half Engraving
227/229/D	Joshua Miller/North Crate & Co.
251/253/D	Brian Swinford/Swinford Designs
252/254/D	Zsolt Szabo/Fauna Toys
255/D	David Miller/Handcrafted Kentucky
256/258/ 260/D	Vivian Matthews/Uniquely Crafted Signs
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EXPECTED FEDERAL TAX LAW CHANGES AND YOUR ESTATE PLAN

By: Gerald M. Morello, Jr., Esq. and Ryan J. Plantrich, Esq.

With both U.S. Senate run-off elections in Georgia being won by Democrats, impacts to our country's tax policy and related estate and tax planning strategies are virtually guaranteed now and for years to come. This year, the federal estate tax exclusion amount (for gift, estate and generation-skipping taxes) has increased to the highest level ever of \$11.70 million per person. Married couples can transfer \$23.40 million without transfer tax liability. Portability (the ability to utilize your deceased spouse's unused exclusion amount) is preserved.

This increased estate tax exclusion amount is scheduled to sunset at the end of 2025, and reverts to the 2017 exclusion amount (i.e., \$5.0 million per person), indexed for inflation. Because of this, it is imperative that any high net worth individuals discuss available transfer tax planning strategies with their advisors and attorneys, and potentially utilize these strategies before they are diminished or disappear completely. Additionally, this is an excellent time for any individual to review his/her estate planning and consider following:

- For individuals without updated estate planning documents, now is the time to either complete or update your comprehensive estate plan.
- When was the last time you looked at the beneficiary designations for retirement plans and life insurance policies?
- Certain stock values may have fallen dramatically. Is this the time to make gifts, outright or in trust for younger generation family members?
- Interest rates are at record lows for our lifetime. Many planning opportunities are best utilized when interest rates are low.



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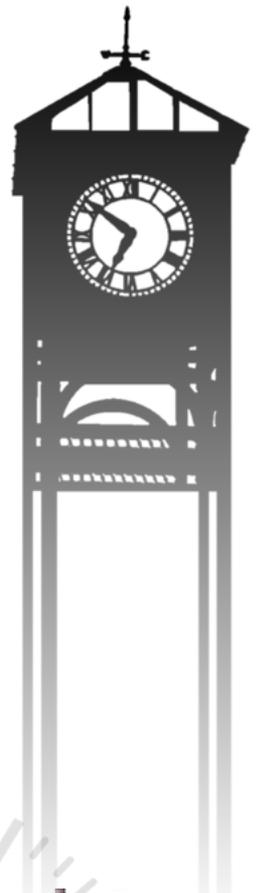
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602	Euchre Plue More	Bob Wollmann	Wood
603/604	CreeksideWich 6 LLC	Rodney Laney	Mixed Media
605	Jose Madrid Salsa	Michael Zakany	Packaged Foods
606	The Licorice Guy	Joe Kirk	Packaged Foods
607	Bougie Blendz	Rose Keyes	Packaged Foods
608/609	Giggler's Gifts	Jeff Draft	Mixed Media
		& Nadine Grabowski	
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611	Fluff Buckets	Max Miedema	Packaged Foods
612/613	Claras Collars	Lisa Tracy	Fiber
614/615	Pam's Pantry	Pam Redman	Packaged Foods
616/617	Busia and Dzia Dzia's Sweets and Treats	Lori Kirby	Wood
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620/621	The Pet Stop	Matt Bargas	Mixed Media
622	Monarch Aspirations LLC	Annalyse Aspenwall	Mixed Media
625	JKM Soy Candles	Jenny Rostkowski	Candles/Beauty Products
626	Bone Brush Studios	Sarah Crabtree	Mixed Media
627/628	Delicious Gourmet Dips	Richard Sacco	Packaged Foods
646	Urban My Candle Co.	Victoria Lenear	Candles/Beauty Products
647/648	Lucy Goosey Costumes	Sandra Rodriguez	Fiber
649	True Honey Teas	Chris Savage	Packaged Foods
650	LOL Designs by Angie	Angelina Johnston	Mixed Media
651	Abigail + Samantha's Gourmet Dog Treats	Jeff Burgess	Packaged Foods
652	Luxe Body Shoppe	Nicole Howey	Candles/Beauty Products
652.5	LOVE Aimee	Aimee Garbin	Jewelry/Fiber
653	B's Caps	Lita Rodriguez	Jewelry/Fiber
654/655	I Love You Stones	Janice Emerick	Mixed Media
654/655	I Love You Stones	Janice Emerick	Mixed Media
656/657	EBDeals LLC	Ezekiel Bargas	Mixed Media
658	Temper'd Perfect	Shawn'tia Thomas	Packaged Foods
659/660	The Great Bread Company	Kim Meyers	Packaged Foods
661	Agota Greek Gourmet	James Shellhammer	Packaged Foods
662	Boho Luxe	Jessica Jansen	Mixed Media
663	Big Lake Candy Company	Steve Korbal	Packaged Foods
664/665	LINKED by Central Beauty	Chloe Fisher	Jewelry/Fiber
667/668	Wooden Voices	Carl Shepard	Wood
669	Craft Creations	Jamees Washington	Mixed Media
670	Petoskey Fossilstone Necklaces	Mark Welch	Jewelry/Fiber
671	Hunt & Gather Dry Goods	Allie Vincent	Packaged Foods
672	Yuck	Iris Chandler	Prints/Drawings
673	Debbie's Beads	Deborah Williams	Jewelry/Fiber
674	Grand Traverse Sauce Company	Bryan Zuzga	Packaged Foods
675/676	Kawaii Handmade Studio	April Reiman	Mixed Media
677	The Rice Guyz	Gene Grainger/Chris Tort	Jewelry/Fiber
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Stuff Recycling moving into Metro Detroit scrap metal space, big dreams on the horizon By Terry Jacoby

JERRY Joiner was admittedly burned out from the car dealership business following the automobile market crash of 2008. The Taylor native decided to “recycle” his life and began a journey that took him to Kentucky and back to Downriver, all with the help and support of family and friends who appreciated his hard work and believed in his vision.

Joiner is the owner of Stuff Recycling-Michigan, a high-tech, full scrap metal recycling facility that offers a large variety of services to cater to the Downriver area scrap recyclers’ needs. They can accommodate everything from the smallest amounts of household scrap, to demo projects large and small, to full industrial scrap services.

It’s the company’s second location and first in Michigan, and just recently opened after two years of preparing the site on Pennsylvania Road in Taylor.

Although business is ongoing at the site, they are breaking ground this summer on a state-of-the-art warehouse facility and offices that will

take Stuff Recycling-Michigan to the next level.

Joiner’s trip began with a trip to Kentucky in 2008, when he cashed out his 401K and headed south to pursue a new venture with the help of his uncle John Hamilton, another Wyandotte native.

“He was just starting out in the scrap business himself and together we started out with basically nothing in a small warehouse in Lexington, Kentucky, as Bluegrass Metal Recyclers, LLC,” Joiner said.

But not long after they opened the doors, the city of Lexington decided to eminent domain their property for further economic development and they moved to Winchester, Kentucky.

“The owner of the property had a business called Stuff Military Surplus, and since we both were military veterans we decided to keep the sign out front and DBA the name Stuff Recycling,” Joiner said. “We liked the logo (a shield and two missiles, which stands to this day) and renamed the business Stuff Recycling.”

In 2016, Uncle John retired and sold his share to Jerry.

“We have been growing by leaps and bounds and have become a big player in the Kentucky region, competing with other scrap companies with



much bigger pockets,” said Joiner, a service-disabled veteran who has used his time in the Army to instill the values he learned into how Stuff Recycling does business. “Our core values include putting the customer first and treating all partners in the business with respect. We believe in creating the best customer experience – from the person who is cleaning out their garage on the weekend to the president of a Fortune 500 company.”

In 2022, Joiner expanded to his home state of Michigan. Stuff Recycling-Michigan, at 20538 Pennsylvania Road in Taylor, opened in December 2024. Services include roll-off container delivery, high-side trailer, dry van shipping, on-site crushing and mobile bailing, torching, and flatbed trucking.

“With our level of service, we know that we will become a major player in the Metro Detroit scrap metal space,” Joiner said. “We are not stopping there, however. With the environmental importance of what we do, we have bigger dreams of creating a sustainable future for generations to come. Keep an eye on us and watch us grow.”

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By Kelsi Klein

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Green and her husband Robert opened their business prior to COVID hitting, but with their dedication and passion their business not only survived the pandemic but began thriving.

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Green Family Cleaning Services helps customers elevate the look and feel of a wide variety of furniture with their upholstery cleaning service.

This service is designed to restore furniture, and specialized cleaning is available for sofas and couches, loveseats, recliners, armchairs, dining chairs, ottomans, sectionals, mattresses, office chairs and more.

Air duct cleaning solutions

Green's Family Cleaning Services believes in providing a comprehensive clean, which means ensuring that the air you breathe at home or work is also clean.

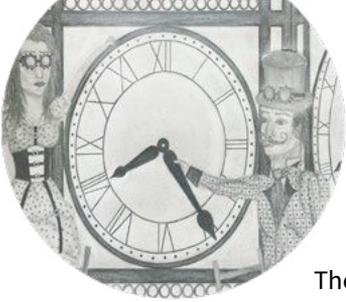
Air ducts often go unnoticed during routine cleaning, but over time, dust, allergens and other pollutants can accumulate in the ducts and vents. This affects air quality and can lead to potential health risks and reduced HVAC efficiency.

The company's thorough cleaning services remove all accumulated dust to create a healthier indoor environment.

In addition to priding themselves on their transparent and honest business practices, Green's Family Cleaning Services makes it a point to give back by volunteering with the Senior Alliance to deliver meals on holidays, sponsoring and coaching teams with Taylor North Little League, packing and donating backpacks for children in need, providing meals and donations to organizations that feed the homeless and partnering with Cleaning for a Reason to provide free house cleaning for cancer patients.

To learn more or to book a service, visit www.greensfamilycleaningservices.com or call (734) 341-6175.





Lemonade

The Fair lemonade booths are a revenue-sharing program for non-profits to collect funds to assist with their organization's mission. Look for these non-profit lemonade booths to support your favorite local organization!

Booth 1: Located Biddle And Elm - West Side

- Wednesday - Thursday: United Family Church
- Friday - Saturday: Wyandotte Alliance Church

Booth 2: Located at Clock Tower at Maple and Biddle

- Wednesday - Saturday: Fueling Kid's Futures

Booth 3: Located at Biddle and Maple - East Side

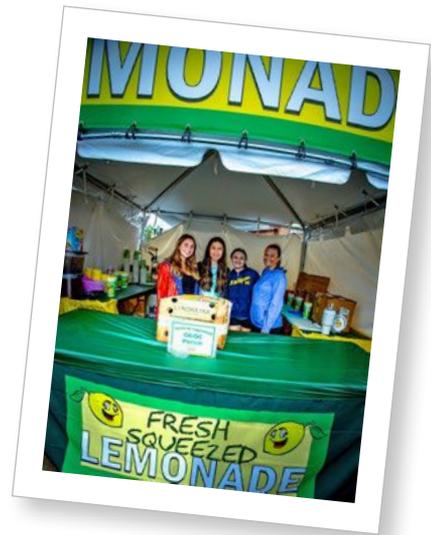
- Wednesday - Saturday: Wyandotte Academy Youth Choir

Booth 4: Located at Sycamore and Biddle - West Side

- Wednesday - Thursday: Wy. JV Cheerleading Team
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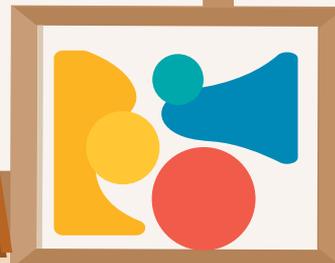
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- Corner of Oak and First streets, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Proceeds from this lot benefit the Roosevelt High School Music Department.
- Biddle Avenue between Pine and Plum streets, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Proceeds from this area benefit the Wyandotte Boat Club Youth Rowing Downriver Program.
- First Street, in the area of Superior and Chestnut streets, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Proceeds benefit St. Vincent Pallotti Parish.
- Wyandotte Music Boosters, Parking Lot #1 by Oak and the river. Paid parking lot.

SHUTTLES will run during the following days and times:

- Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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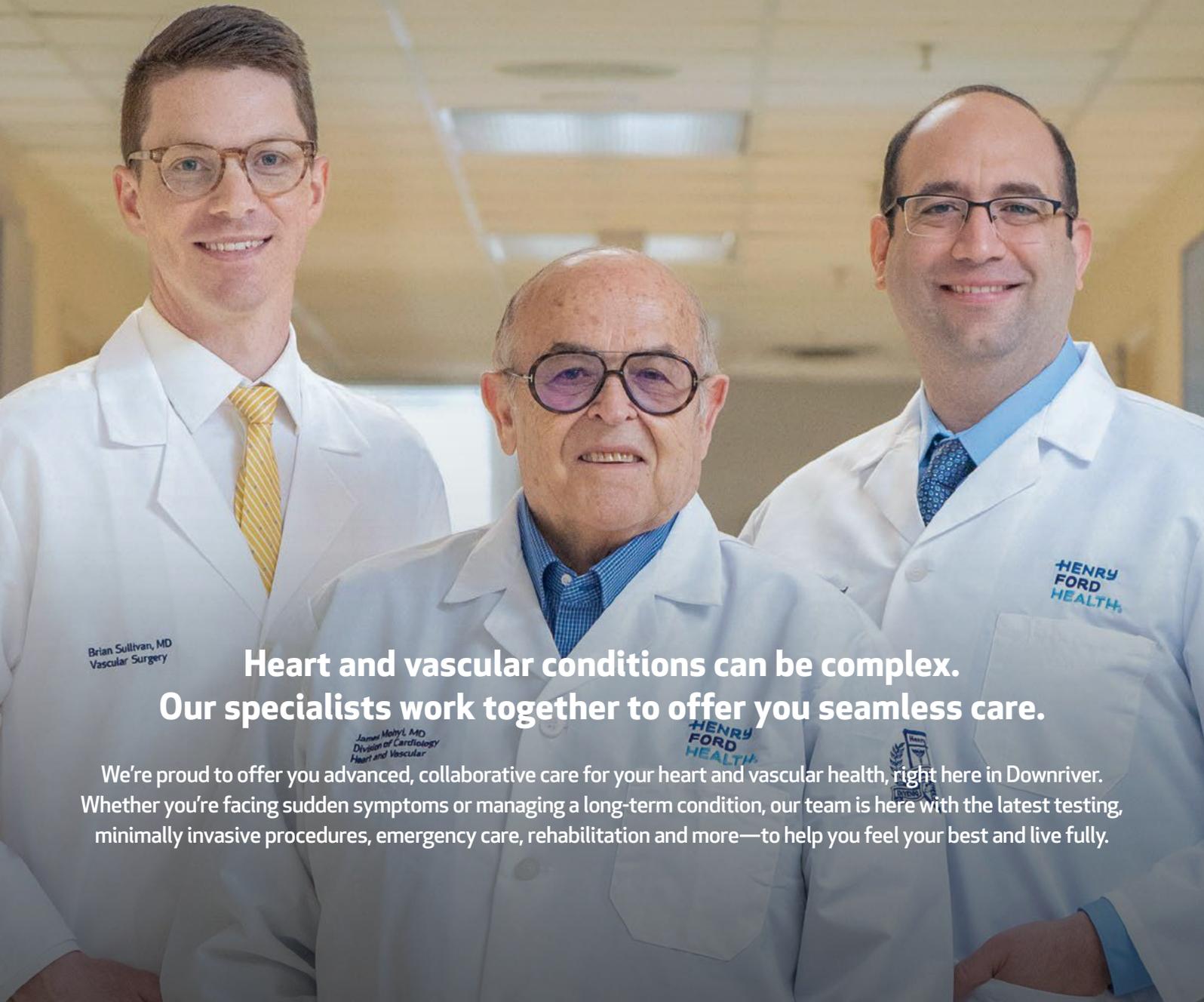
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Deep Roots

Jabro Carpet One offers quality service and materials, loves serving community By Kelsi Klein

FOR over 70 years, Jabro Carpet One has provided residential homeowners, commercial clients and institutional builders with quality, professional flooring service.

The business, which has always been proudly family-owned and operated, has deep roots in Southgate and with their strong commitment to quality, customer care and community involvement, Jabro Carpet One has become a trusted name in flooring around southeast Michigan.

"We've always been Downriver and we've always stuck to the same thing," said general manager Sarah D'Ziurman, a third generation Jabro whose grandfather and great uncle started the business in 1953. "We love helping people to make their homes beautiful and somewhere they can be happy and relax."

Now, the business is woman-owned by Sheree Jabro Smith, D'Ziurman's mother, continuing the legacy of personalized service and integrity that the community has come to know from Jabro Carpet One.

The store specializes in a wide array of premium flooring products, including hardwood, luxury vinyl, carpet, laminate and tile. The expert design consultation, professional installation services and seamless experience from beginning to end sets Jabro Carpet One apart from other flooring stores.

Jabro specializes in not only residential floor covering but also maintains a diverse commercial portfolio including offices, churches, courthouses, police stations, municipal buildings and more. Every installation comes with a lifetime warranty of the product, ensuring Jabro's confidence in the quality of their product and the craftsmanship they provide.

Jabro Carpet One has built a strong reputation for exceptional customer service. Whether it's helping a homeowner find the perfect flooring for their space or

coordinating a large-scale commercial project, the Jabro team works closely with each client to ensure the final result of each project exceeds their expectations.

Jabro's design experts provide customized flooring solutions that align with individual needs, styles and budgets, and even offer a virtual room visualizer on their website, which allows clients to visualize what floors will look like in their space.

The visualizer allows customers to experiment with different flooring types, colors, patterns and texture to find the perfect match for their style by uploading a photo of their rooms to the program. The end result is a realistic mock-up image of the client's room with the floor of their dreams.

With a passion for the people they serve and the community they've called home for decades, community involvement is at the core of Jabro's identity, with their active support of local organizations, schools and churches in the area.

"Our team all live in the Downriver area, which makes giving back to our community even more important to us," D'Ziurman said.

Notable contributions include sponsorships for youth sports teams and collaborations with groups like Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry. Recently, they donated carpet to the Woodhaven High School Robotics Team, who named their practice field in Jabro's honor.

Jabro Carpet One Floor and Home is located at 13460 Northline Road in Southgate and is open from 9-6 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 9-8 p.m. on Thursday, and 9-5 p.m. on Saturday. For more information or to request an estimate, visit JabroCarpetOne.com or call (734) 285-0110.



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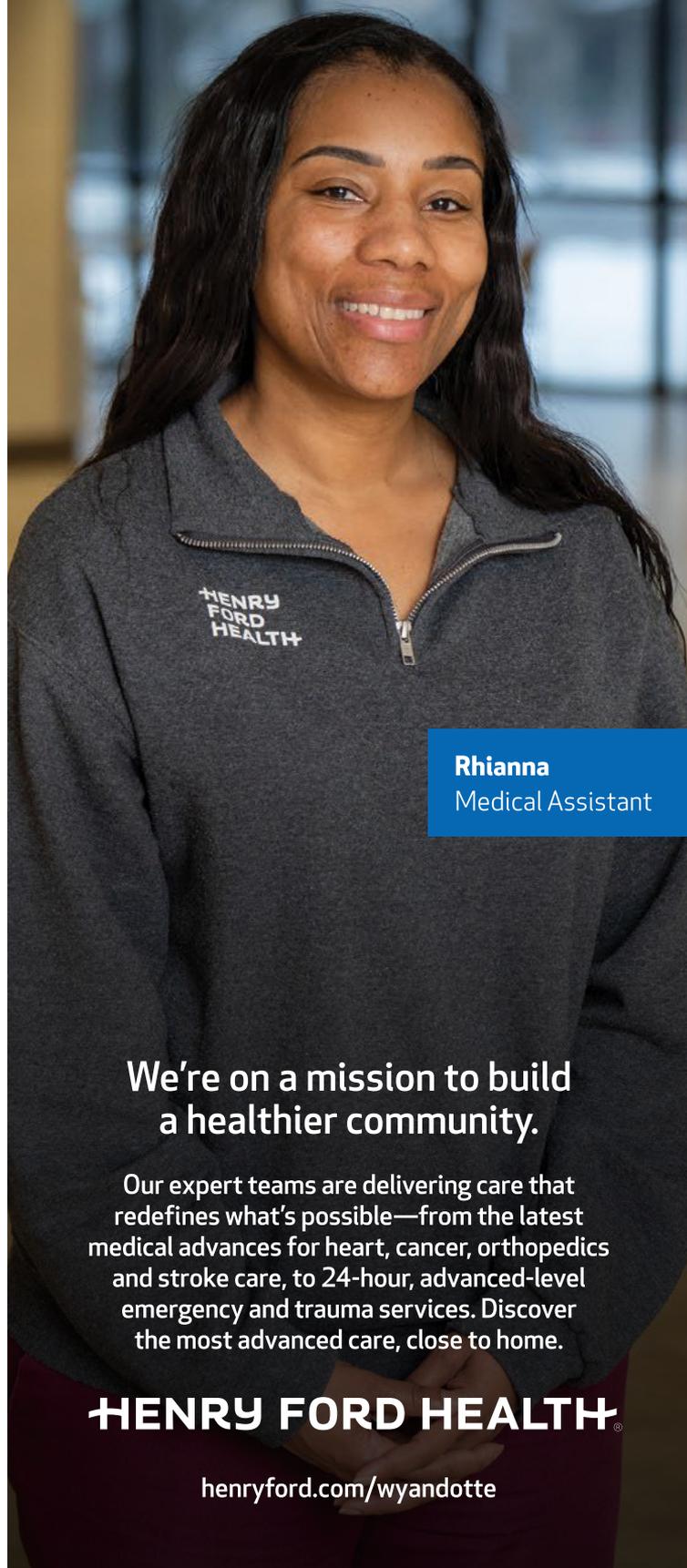
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F.A.Q.s

What are the dates and hours of the Art Fair?

The Wyandotte Street Art Fair is held Wednesday, July 9 through Saturday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Am I allowed to ride my bicycle to the Art Fair?

You can ride your bike, roller blades, or skateboard **to** the Art Fair, but once you arrive you will have to walk them through the Fair. *You will not be able to skate or ride through the Fair.*

What is the price to attend the Art Fair?

Admission to the Wyandotte Street Art Fair is FREE!

What kinds of things will I be able to see at the Art Fair?

The Art Fair features many artists who work in almost every media, from oils to photography to jewelry to woodworking, etc.

How many years has the Art Fair been around?

The Art Fair was first organized in 1961 by the Acanthus Art Society.

How do I become a participant in the Art Fair?

Artists, crafters or vendors who wish to become part of the WSAF must submit to the Special Events Office for the City of



Wyandotte. Applications for the 2026 will be available by emailing us at hthiede@wyandottemi.gov

How are artists chosen for the Art Fair?

The artists for the Wyandotte Street Art Fair are chosen through a jury process after they have submitted an application with slides/CDs/photographs and the jury fee.

How do I become a food vendor in the Art Fair?

Food vendors who wish to become part of the WSAF must submit to the Special Events Office for the City of Wyandotte. Applications for the 2026 will be available by emailing us at hthiede@wyandottemi.gov.

How do I become a sponsor of the Art Fair?

Sponsors are very important to the continued success of the Wyandotte Street Art Fair. Please email us at hthiede@wyandottemi.gov to get on our mailing list.

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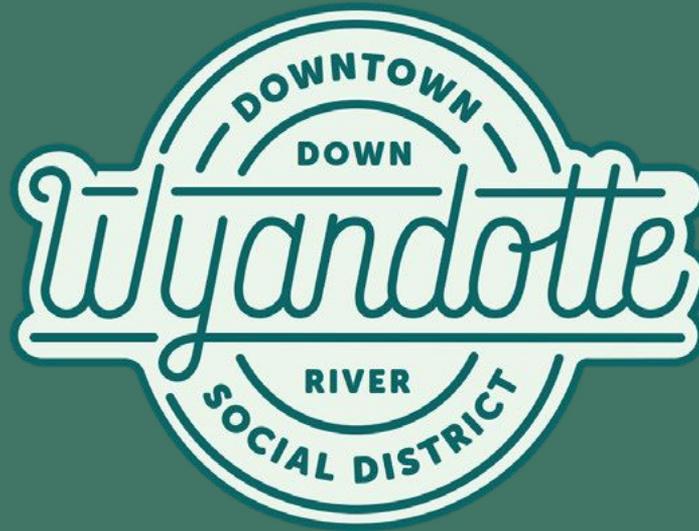
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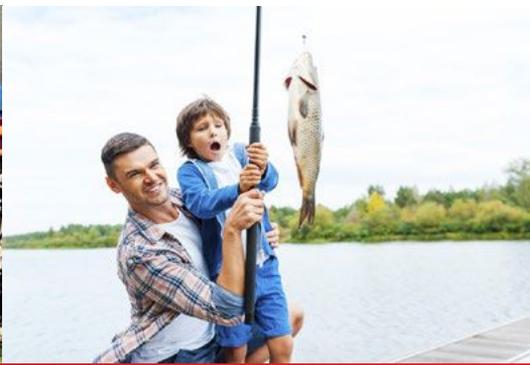
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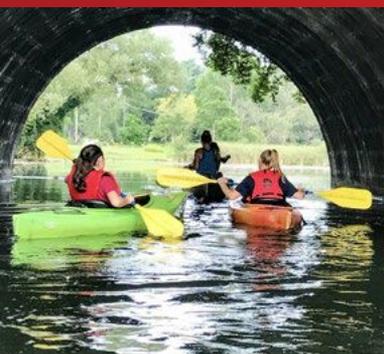
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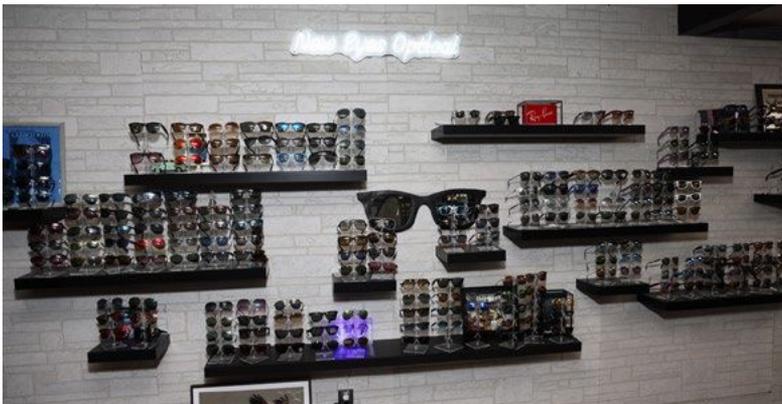
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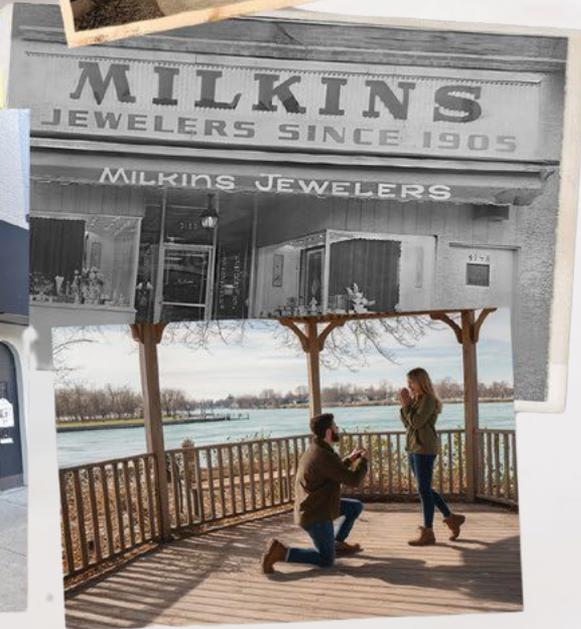
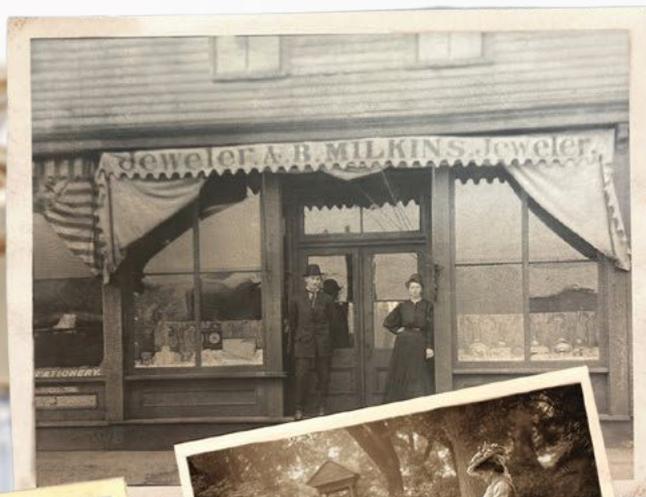
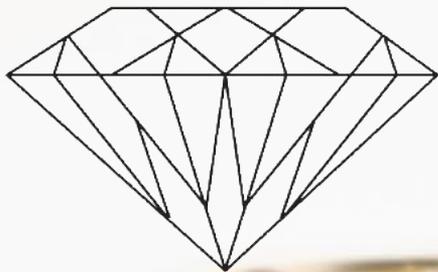
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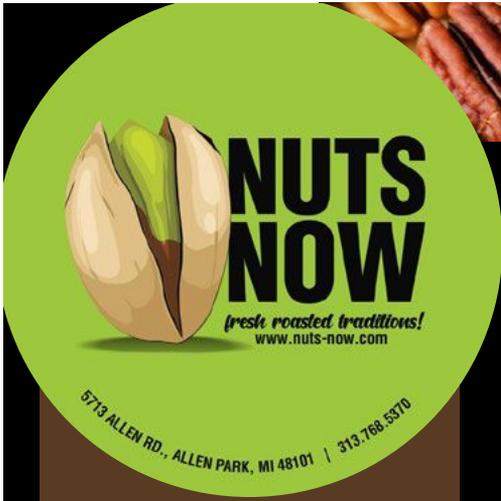


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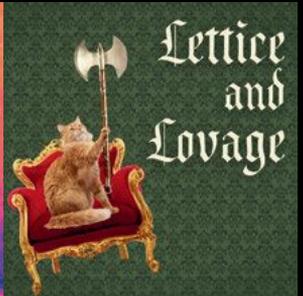
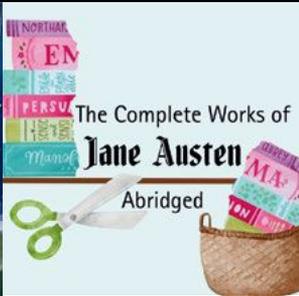
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Expertise AND Passion

Tox & Skin Co. brings premium aesthetic services to Woodhaven

By Kelsi Klein

FOUNDED in February of 2025 by Halie Nieporte (Duke), Tox & Skin Co. is Woodhaven's go-to spot for all things aesthetic.

Although her business is new, Nieporte is not new to injecting. With eight years of nursing experience as a licensed practical nurse and a registered nurse, Nieporte has spent half of her nursing career specializing in aesthetics.

Calling on her expertise and passion, Nieporte decided it was time to open her own business. Currently operating out of Roots and Grace hair salon at 22464 Allen Road in Woodhaven, Tox & Skin offers everything from Botox and fillers to microneedling and biostimulators.

Tox & Skin provides all major neurotoxins such as Botox, Dysport, Xeomin, Daxxify and Jeuveau as well as a wide range of dermal fillers including Restylane, RHA, Radiesse, Versa, Sculptra and more.

In addition to injectables, Tox & Skin provides a full range of skincare services and medical-grade skincare products like ZO Skin Health, Neocutis, Colorescience and Nieporte's own line called Tox & Skincare.

As an advanced nurse injector, Nieporte uses a unique full-face approach, addressing all concerns and leaving clients with a refreshed and natural end result.

Tox & Skin was created with a simple yet powerful mission to provide honest, premium quality and personalized aesthetic care in a safe, judgment-free environment.

"I focus on full face enhancement and tailor treatment plans to each person, because everyone is different and requires their own specific plan to give them the best of the best end results," Nieporte said.

With an emphasis on transparency and education, Nieporte focuses on continued aesthetic education, continuously honing her skills to ensure her clients receive the most up-to-date and effective treatments available.

"It doesn't matter how long someone has been doing this, there's really no perfect injector and I feel you can always learn and grow and be better," she said.

In an industry where there can often be a lack of clear information and rushed appointments, Tox & Skin stands

apart by taking the time to educate clients about the products being used, long-term skin health and realistic expectations.

"You only have one face, and you need to treat it right," Nieporte said.

She believes all clients should know and trust their injector, so Nieporte provides free, in-depth aesthetic assessments for each client before starting their treatment plans and considers her transparent communication with clients an essential part of her success.



Nieporte's goal is to help her clients effectively maintain their treatments as affordably as possible, which is why she offers a membership program to the Tox & Skin Society.

With no sign-up fees or hidden charges, this "beauty bank" system allows members to make monthly deposits of \$100 or \$200, which they can use on all services and packages in addition to receiving 15 percent off their treatments.

First-time clients enjoy new client incentives and discounts like member pricing on their first visit.

To learn more or to book your free aesthetic assessment with Nieporte or registered nurse injector Alexis Dionne, visit <https://toxandskin.myaestheticrecord.com/online-booking> or find @toxandskinco on Instagram or Facebook.

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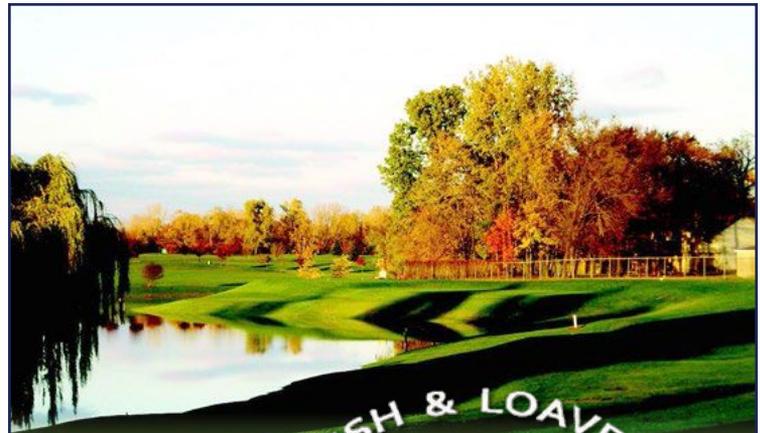
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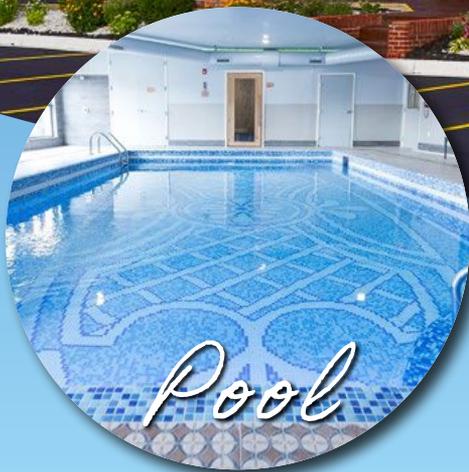
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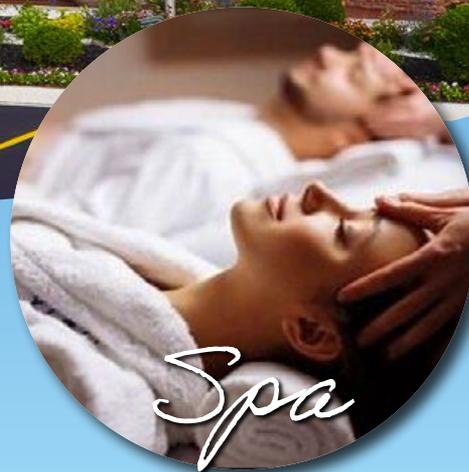




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A New Look

Mother-Daughter team launches boutique beauty destination in downtown Wyandotte

CHERRY Opderbeck and her daughter, Alexa Cappella, are bringing beauty, wellness and heart to downtown Wyandotte with the opening of The Dotte Beauty (formerly Cassandra J's) – a boutique salon offering a wide range of self-care services designed to help clients look and feel their best.

Cherry, a registered nurse with 28 years of clinical experience, has spent her life caring for others. She and Alexa have both lived in the Downriver area their entire lives and are deeply invested in supporting the community they love.

Alexa, a certified natural health professional and small business owner, brings a unique wellness perspective to the space. She also owns Abella Boutique, a thoughtfully curated women's clothing boutique, and proudly carries forward the legacy of her late father, who founded Riverview Pizza Place – the beloved local family-run restaurant – with just enough experience to know what it takes to serve the community with heart and hustle.

Together, Cherry and Alexa have created The Dotte Beauty as a space that blends professionalism and

warmth – offering booth rentals for licensed nail techs, estheticians, lash artists, injectors, and PMU providers in a beautifully furnished, high-traffic location. Services include nail care, lashes, skin treatments, body sculpting, permanent makeup, and more.

"We've always believed that if something makes you feel beautiful, you should do it," Alexa said. "Everyone deserves that confidence – and we're creating a space where that confidence is nurtured."

The salon officially opened the week of June 18, with a grand opening celebration on Saturday, June 21.

There is no time like the present to make your appointment.

For more information or to apply for booth space, email thedottebeauty@gmail.com or follow @thedottebeauty on Instagram.

Thank you for supporting local women-owned businesses in the Downriver area!



Q&A Abilities Center

'There can be joy in every journey' By Terry Jacoby

DOWNRIVER'S new Q&A Abilities Center is about breaking barriers and inspiring possibilities through a number of different avenues, including occupational therapy, speech therapy, applied behavior analysis, mental health therapy, telehealth and more.

Opened this past May on Dix-Toledo Road in Southgate, Q&A Abilities Center offers a wide range of services for developmentally disabled, including children and adults on the autism spectrum.

"We provide an environment for children to feel comfortable, safe and one that promotes relationship building in a creative space where therapeutic intervention comes more naturally and developmentally appropriate," said owner/president Jean Herbison. "We recognize every child learns differently, expresses their difficulties differently, and we provide a space they can comfortably excel in."



Jean Herbison

Q&A Abilities Center offers a large space, particularly for children with special needs and those diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. The state-of-the-art, 12,000-square-foot facility includes approximately 7,000 square feet dedicated to play, social interaction, occupational therapy, speech therapy, applied behavior analysis, skill building and more.

"We serve all ages and recognize that services shouldn't stop just because of an age," Herbison said. "I truly believe the biggest factor that sets us apart from others is that as much as we recognize and assert the importance of therapeutic interventions,

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whether it be via ABA, OT, counseling, groups, etc., it's about something much bigger and I would argue more important. That's our desire – to help each person and family create internal joy."

Herbison and her team – which includes daughters Quinn and Aubyn, hence the name Q&A – want every parent's step to be a bit lighter, for their shoulders not to feel so heavy, for the smiles to come from the inside and to be authentic and genuine.

"We want families and clients, whatever that looks like, to know and feel what joy is," she said. "We're different because we don't feel anyone is replaceable. Each client and family we serve is priceless and their journey is one of value. We are honored to be a part of it."

The clients and families are supported by a highly qualified staff that is authentically and genuinely committed to supporting each person's journey, recognizing everyone comes from unique experiences with individual needs.

"We get to come to work every day and be a part of the lives of the most beautiful people," said Aubyn Herbison, OTR/L and co-vice president. "How lucky are we?"

Vice President Quinn Herbison, OTR/L, remarked: "We are a community of professionals that embraces each client and family so we can make a lasting impact."

Herbison understands and recognizes that seeking therapy can often be an intimidating and even overwhelming feeling, which is why services at Q&A Abilities Center are done in a stigma-free, non-judgmental environment that is client-driven.

"We applaud even the consideration of seeking help and we encourage people to reach out," she said. "Our services are always conducted confidentially and are tailored to you or your loved one's needs. It is our mission to improve one's quality of life, and our dedicated clinicians will provide the support and services needed to assist in navigating life's challenges.

"There can be joy in every journey."

Q&A Abilities Center is located at 13760 Dix-Toledo Road in Southgate. For more information, call (734) 224-2554 or log onto my-qacenter.com. They do offer evenings and Saturday sessions.



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Pick up your canvases from the library starting June 16. This summer's theme will be Famous Artists and Masterpieces! Recreate in the style of a famous artist or recreate a masterpiece you love! Canvases can be returned through the month of July and will be on display until the end of August. Open to all ages!

Thursday Family Programs

- **Bugs on Wheels!** Thursday, July 10 at 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.

Learn how amazing bugs are and touch them if you choose. Crawl, fly, hop, or dig your way to the program.

- **Art Explosion: SPIN TABLES,** Thursday, July 17 at 1:00, 1:20, 1:40, 2:00, 2:20, 2:40 p.m.

Ages K-8. Spinning uses acrylic paint that does stain and is not washable. The majority of splash is contained in the protective ring. Aprons are provided.

- **Cameron Zvara Comedy Magician,** Thursday, July 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening of amazement and fun with comedy magician and entertainer, Cameron Zvara! Registration is not required for this event.



- **Kids Yoga! Thursday,** July 31 at 5:45 p.m.
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- **Babytime/Toddler,** Tuesday, July 1, 8, 15, 22 at 10:00 a.m.
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- **Family Storytime,** Tuesday, July 1, 8, 15, 22 at 11:00 a.m.
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- **Outdoor Messy Art Storytime,** Tuesday, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 12:00 p.m.
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- **Make Time For Play,** Tuesday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m.
Welcome to art camp for littles! The storytime room will be changed into a playgroup space featuring multiple play and learn stations for children to circulate through.



Teen/Adult Programs

- **Macramé Feather,** Tuesday, July 8 at 5:00 p.m.
Interested in macramé? Come learn some basic macramé knots with us as we make a feather or two!
- **Intro to 3D Printing: Keychains,** Thursday, July 10 at 5:00 p.m.
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More Than A Financial Institution

Advantage One Credit Union expands into Taylor, has deep community roots By Kelsi Klein

THIS August, Taylor residents can



look forward to the opening of a new Advantage One Credit Union location in their city.

Though it's the first branch in Taylor, Advantage One is no stranger to the community. With a long-standing presence in the Downriver area, the credit union is expanding its footprint to bring financial solutions and community commitment to Taylor residents.

Located at 11153 Telegraph Road, the new branch will offer a full range of financial services, including checking and savings accounts, home and auto loans, digital banking, financial education resources and more.

It's easy to become a member, and those who work, worship or attend school in Michigan are eligible to join.

As a financial cooperative, Advantage One Credit Union can charge lower fees and have lower loan rates than most large banks.

The credit union goes beyond, improving the financial security of its members and providing personalized service and free financial education – it is passionate about giving back to the community that has made it thrive over the years.

"Even though we're just now opening a physical location in Taylor, we've been a part of this community for a long time," said Marketing and Community Outreach Coordinator, Lindsay Dennis.

Leading the list of Advantage One's deep partnerships in the Taylor community is Fish and Loaves Community Food Pantry, an organization that combats food insecurity and has distributed over 3.4 million pounds of food to over 53,000 households in the Taylor community last year.

Advantage One supports Fish and Loaves financially by sponsoring and attending all events, as well as getting involved with employee volunteers at least a 2-3 times per month.

"Our CEO is there every single Friday working in the



warehouse. A few of our employees and I work the fresh markets one or two Saturdays a month," said Dennis, who also sits on the Fish and Loaves' Board of Directors.

Another main focus is within the Taylor School District, where Advantage One has had an ongoing presence for years. They have helped over 300 students learn about financial education through workshops and financial reality fairs for upperclassmen.

Advantage One also supports the district's Blessings in a Backpack program by providing donations to feed 50 kids throughout the year while the students are not at school. They support the Special Olympics program in Taylor and partner with Sleep in Heavenly Peace, an organization that provides beds to local children in need.

The credit union's community impact also extends to the Penrickton Center for Blind Children, where it sponsors and actively participates in events. The favorite staff volunteer event is Farm Days, where petting zoos are brought in to help blind children ride horses.

"It's such an amazing day and so awesome to see the kids riding horses," Dennis said.

Further involvement includes sponsorship of the Taylor Conservatory and Botanical Gardens' Summer Concert Series, where Advantage One staff volunteer to assist in garden clean-ups.

Advantage One also supports the Taylor Rotary Club and citywide events like the Summer Festival and Winter Stroll.

Its well-established commitment to not only being in the community but giving back to it, has built a legacy that's made Advantage One more than just a financial institution.

For more information on Advantage one's involvement in Taylor, visit www.myaocu.com/taylor.





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ROOSEVELT RECAP:

Our Students Shine in Multiple Areas

By Wy-Hi Editor-in-Chief, Emmalee Eskin,
Roosevelt High School Junior

ROOSEVELT students continued to shine throughout this past school year, extending their learning beyond the classroom through countless activities and events.

The Block Out Cancer game, an annual charity event organized by marketing students to raise money for pediatric cancer, added to the more than \$100,000 the community has raised through t-shirt sales and various events throughout the week of September 16-20, 2024.

Then the homecoming football game and dance took place on October 11-12, crowning Everett Miknyocki and Kallie Blackwell as king and queen. Finally, as the fall season ended, the Wyandotte Marching Chiefs hosted their 71st annual Band Sweetheart football game, where Giovanni Giammalva won band cutie, and band sweetheart was Alexandra Puckett.

In school, over 30 clubs and organizations were hard at work, highlighted by Eli Wicker winning the school Poetry Out Loud competition and finishing among the top competitors at the Michigan state finals. The RHS Botany program had top finishers in the Floriculture and Landscape state competitions as well as the FFA Ag Skills contests.

The art department had a notable year, highlighted by five students heading to art school next year, as well as senior Susanna Gonzalez having her work qualify for the Congressional Art Show and junior Alexis Howe's work being displayed at the Wayne County Art Show.

Student Council hosted two blood drives, and Student Council co-presidents Lily Martinez and Katherine Fugon-Seravia started Fun Fridays, which provided a chance for students to have some fun during lunches once a month.

The next big all-school event was Winterfest, which is known for the week-

ending Lip Sync Competition, and was won this year by the Class of 2026. Also during that week, Lucas Cupp was named Mr. Roosevelt in the pageant-style competition, and Abigail Durham was awarded Miss Spirit.

This year provided



opportunities to expand students' horizons as well. Many students had the opportunity to travel with different clubs offered at RHS. The WAAC (World as a Community) club took a trip to North Carolina, the Geoaddicts went to Japan over spring break, and those who qualified for DECA International finals went to the competition in Orlando, Florida.

Opportunities on stage from Roosevelt Theater Company included a fall show, "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare" (abridged), and a spring musical, "Zombie Prom", starring freshman Carissa Kennedy, junior Esteban Delgado and seniors Kiley Torres and Justin Stewart.

In the media department, the Wy-News won a MIPA Gold Award as well as individuals earning 14 state awards. Junior Daisy Moline's stop motion short film earned a top five finish at the Michigan Student Film Festival, earning Best in Show honors alongside another film made by seniors Justin Stewart, Patrick Remisoski, and junior Marc Karaba.

Roosevelt also had multiple students earn a variety of certifications and licenses, making them job-ready at graduation. Our health sciences classes had all 11 Roosevelt students become certified clinical medical assistants. Auto shop had 10 students earn multiple state licenses in areas such as braking systems and heating and cooling systems.

Some of the last high school memories for the 2025 seniors were their prom, which took place on May 9 at the Roostertail in Detroit; along with Senior Recognition Day, where Lily Martinez was given the Principal's Leadership Award and Graceann Eskin was given the Spirit of the Community Award.

The class of 2025 graduated on May 28 at the Yack Arena, making room for the incoming senior class officers for the class of 2026 – President Daisy Moline, along with Annie Zieger, Emma Jordan, Esteban Delgado and Amelia Affholter – to begin planning their senior year.





ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL 2025 TOP GRADUATES

No. 1 Amelia
Grenz

GPA: 4.15
College Plans: University of Michigan



No. 7 Benjamin
Zapinski

GPA: 4.074
College Plans: Michigan Technological
University



No. 2 Larissa
Carlson

GPA: 4.14
College Plans: Wayne State University



No. 8 Justin
Stewart

GPA: 4.064
College Plans: The American Musical
and Dramatic Academy



No. 3 Lily
Martinez

GPA: 4.125
College Plans: University of Michigan



No. 9 Chloe
Ammons

GPA: 4.061
College Plans: College for Creative
Studies



No. 4 Addison
Cleveland

GPA: 4.095
College Plans: Wayne State University



No. 10 Kimberly
Dawson

GPA: 4.054
College Plans: Central Michigan
University



No. 5 Sophia
Bolton

GPA: 4.0918
College Plans: Bowling Green
State University



No. 11 Amelia
Burke

GPA: 4.051
College Plans: Undecided



No. 6 Madison
Samotis

GPA: 4.0918
College Plans: Wayne State University





Photos by (from left to right): Justin Stewart, Autumn Henry, Graceann Eskin, Mercedes Dziendziel and Chloe Ammons

RHS ATHLETICS RECAP

By Wy-News Editor-in-Chief Eleanor Grant, Roosevelt High School Junior

Roosevelt athletes with 2024-25 standout performances:

- **Girls swim and dive:** 11-1 season; multiple athletes at state finals, including 400 Freestyle Relay team and diver junior Joanna Micuria.
- **Cross country:** sophomore Noah Amori, junior Cameron Parsons, senior Mercedes Dziendziel named All-League; junior Eleanor Grant was a MHSAA State Finals qualifier.
- **Volleyball:** reached district finals; senior Amelia Grenz earned Academic All-State; joined senior Haylee Parish and junior Rylie Hawkins as All-Region players.
- **Boys tennis:** third in the Downriver League; four All-League athletes.
- **Bowling: Girls** – 17-0 league record and Downriver League title; sophomore Megan Murray was a MHSAA State Finals qualifier. **Boys** – finished 14-3; senior Peyton Webster individual regional champion.
- **Wrestling:** Team district title; four athletes at state finals; senior Gabe Gibbons placed sixth in state at 138 lb. weight class.
- **Competitive cheer:** first place at Wyandotte Invitational; won district championships; fifth at regionals.
- **Hockey:** third in Metro West Conference; multiple athletes with All-Metro West honors. Sophomore Elijah Harrell – record for most goals in a season (49) and second team All-State honors.
- **Boys swim and dive:** senior Emerson Micuria broke 200 Individual Medley school record from 1992, qualified for state finals in four events; Freshman Brendan Micuria aqualified for state finals, broke RHS freshman backstroke record.
- **Girls tennis:** MHSAA Team State Finals qualifier, multiple regional champions – freshman Olivia Blackledge (#1 Singles), juniors Claudia Danziger and Emmalee Eskin (#4 Doubles), and junior Annie Zieger and senior Ella Keathley (#2 Doubles).
- **Rowing:** first place finishes at Hebda Cup and WyHi Regattas; seven boats in the top eight at state regatta.
- **Track and field:** MHSAA State Finals qualifiers – senior Alexander Emory, All-State in high jump with eighth-place finish at 6 '3"; junior Chris Luna, pole vault; senior Katherine Fugon-Saravia in discus and shot put.
- **Girls soccer:** Amelia Grenz broke school record for most goals in a season (22).
- **Girls softball:** 21 wins (most since the 1990s); fourth place in Downriver League.
- **Boys baseball:** Tied for fourth place in league; five-game win streak, winning eight of 12 games in May.
- **Athletes of the year:** Amelia Grenz (varsity volleyball, basketball, soccer); senior Steven Andreone (varsity football, wrestling, track).

Learning Is Hard Work: We Make It Fun!

By Melissa Petty, Early Childhood Center Director

At the Wyandotte Early Childhood Center, our goal is to help children and families build a strong foundation for learning in all areas of development. Every moment is a teachable moment with our youngest learners, and our staff are prepared to take advantage of those moments.



Our classrooms are filled with fun, laughter and learning every day. Through their play, children are developing friendships, learning to problem solve and learning about the world around them.

On any given day you will see a large variety of materials and activities carefully chosen to interest the children. Teachers are partners in the children's play and work not only to support their current development, but also to continue to provide opportunities for growth.

Families are invited to join us for events during the school year as well. This year, we hosted a "Process Art Night", where families learned why it is important to allow children to explore art materials and have the freedom to simply create. During our "Winter Wonderland", families enjoyed winter-themed activities and pizza. For "Literacy Night", families learned different strategies to use to

help engage their child while reading. They also worked with their child to retell a story.

In April, we hosted our Fifth Annual Outdoor Art Show. The art show is held on or around Earth



Day each year and the children use a variety of recycled materials to create their art project for display.

Learning can be hard work and we are proud to make it fun for our students! On behalf of all the staff at the Wyandotte Early Childhood Center, I want to thank our families for choosing us to begin their child's educational path.

Learning, Collaboration, Community Spirit

Garfield Elementary looks back at special year

THIS year at Garfield Elementary School has been filled with exciting learning experiences and meaningful connections.

One of the highlights was the continued success of the Peer to Peer activities as part of the Special Olympics Unified Schools Program. These events fostered inclusion and friendship among students of all abilities, creating a stronger, more connected school community. Students participated in various games and collaborative projects, emphasizing teamwork, respect and empathy.

Another memorable event was the kindergarten and first grade living zoo. Students transformed into animal experts by researching and presenting information about their chosen animals. Over 200 parents and visitors toured the "zoo" to see the projects and dioramas created by students. From lions to ladybugs, the students shared facts with pride and confidence, demonstrating their growing communication and research skills.

Parent involvement remained a cornerstone of our school community. "Bring Your Parent to School Day" was a huge success, with parents from diverse professions – from nurses and electricians to aircraft maintainers and business owners – sharing their unique career journeys. Students were inspired by real-world examples of hard work and dedication.

As the school year comes to a close, we celebrate the learning, collaboration and community spirit that made this year so special at Garfield Elementary School.



Jefferson Fosters Leadership, Growth in its Students

AT Jefferson Elementary, our mission is "Growth for every child, every class, every day," and we embraced this commitment throughout the school year in every classroom. A standout moment this year was the establishment of student-run after-school clubs, which showcased our students' initiative and creativity.

One noteworthy group of fifth-grade students founded and led a club called, "The Changers." Through this innovative initiative, our students took the lead in implementing positive changes at Jefferson, including anti-bullying campaigns and grounds clean-up efforts. Their dedication not only benefited the school environment but also fostered a sense of responsibility and community among their peers.

Additionally, another group of fifth graders created and managed an art club for younger students. Meeting biweekly, they engaged in various creative projects that allowed them to share their passion for art and mentorship.

These clubs not only highlight the leadership skills of our students but also cultivate a collaborative spirit within our school.

This year, Jefferson's PBIS program made significant advancements under the theme "ROAR with Kindness." Led by Mr. Spencer, our dean of students, the program focused on building a culture of kindness throughout the year.

Both the student-run clubs and the kindness initiative are



testaments to the growth of our students as they work together to nurture a school environment where everyone feels valued and included.



Jo Brighton Skills Center: Where Futures Are Built

LUCKY to be located in Wyandotte, Jo Brighton Skills Center is a hub of learning and growth, empowering students with diverse abilities to chart their own paths to independence and success.

Our middle and high school students continued their academic journeys while integrating into the social fabric of Roosevelt High School and Wilson Middle School through enriching peer-to-peer programs and the inclusive spirit of unified sports. These partnerships provide invaluable opportunities for friendship, understanding and shared experiences that benefit all involved.

Beyond the traditional curriculum, Jo Brighton shines in its commitment to hands-on learning. The aroma of freshly baked goods and nourishing food often waft from the kitchen and bakery, where students hone their culinary skills while providing hot meals and delightful treats for the school and wider community.

Meanwhile, the building trades classroom has been busy expanding its repertoire of handcrafted goods, offering unique items to the community while students learn valuable construction skills.

The dedication to supporting the wider community extends to the building maintenance classroom, where students diligently packaged an astounding 400 bags of food each week for students in need within our school district. This initiative not only provides essential support but also instills a sense of responsibility and care in the students involved.

In the evolving world of technology, the computer and business technology classroom is equipping students with crucial digital literacy and practical skills through engaging projects and the exploration of new technological tools.

A cornerstone of Jo Brighton's success is its commitment to community integration. Through dedicated community classrooms, students gain invaluable real-world experience by working at local businesses that have graciously opened their doors. These partnerships provide authentic learning environments where students can develop essential work skills, build confidence and become active members of our Downriver community.

Madison Center Uses 'Meaningful Opportunities' to Prepare Students for Life After School

WE had a wonderful 2024-2025 school year at the Madison Center!

At our school, we take immense pride in fostering an environment where students not only learn but also engage in meaningful work that prepares them for life after school.

One of our standout initiatives is the thriving Madison Totes microenterprise, which not only supports our Green School initiative but also empowers students to take ownership of their learning while promoting sustainability. Additionally, our partnership with the engineering program at Lawrence Tech opens doors for its students to explore real-world applications of their studies, igniting their

passion for innovation and problem-solving while creating meaningful opportunities for our students to participate in prevocational skills here at school.

We are also committed to our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program and have expanded clubs, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to participate in enriching activities twice a month.

Our social-emotional learning (SEL) lessons taught in classrooms are designed to nurture resilience and interpersonal skills, while community-based instruction provides practical experiences that enhance both academic and functional skills.

Together, these initiatives contribute to the holistic growth of our students, preparing them for individualized success in all aspects of life.





Model Mustang Tickets and Rewards System Fosters Positive Behaviors in School

AT Monroe Elementary, we take pride in the fun ways we promote PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) expectations throughout our school. PBIS is a proactive approach that focuses on teaching and rewarding students for displaying expected behaviors, such as being respectful, being responsible, being safe, and being kind.

One new thing we added to our program this year is ticket rewards. Students can earn Model Mustang tickets when they demonstrate positive behaviors such as helping out a classmate, following directions, being a leader, taking initiative to solve a problem without support, or staying focused during lessons.

Students are given the Model Mustang tickets as a form of recognition. The primary goal of PBIS ticket rewards is to motivate students to make positive choices by providing immediate and tangible reinforcement. The system not only encourages students to stay on track with behavioral expectations, but it also creates a positive and supportive school environment. When students receive tickets, they feel recognized and valued for their efforts, boosting their self-esteem and promoting a sense of belonging in the school community.

We have also seen a decline in office referrals and fewer disciplinary actions have needed to be taken since implementing this approach.



The earned tickets are collected and later exchanged for a reward. The rewards happen monthly and are all experience-based. The prizes vary each month to try to meet the different interests of the students in our community.

We are proud of our Model Mustangs at Monroe. We look

forward to continuing our ticket reward system next year and expanding the program to give students even more opportunities to experience fun rewards at school.



The Lincoln Center had a Memorable and Productive Year

WE are excited to share the many accomplishments of this past school year at The Lincoln Center!

One of the most significant improvements was the addition of a new lunchroom, which was started last summer and completed in January. Our students now have a dedicated space to eat, socialize and gather, enhancing their daily experience. Previously, our gym served as the lunchroom, which limited its use for our Adaptive Physical Education classes during lunch hours.

Thanks to the hard work of our Operations Department and construction crew, these spaces are now optimized – students enjoy their meals in comfort, and our gym is fully available for physical education classes all day long.

In addition to our facility improvements, we made great strides in supporting our students' communication and writing skills. This year we focused heavily on our "First Author" Writing Curriculum, which helps students develop their writing at their individual developmental stages. This curriculum works closely with our speech and occupational therapy programs to strengthen overall communication skills. We believe that improving writing not only enhances students' ability to express themselves but also boosts their confidence and social interactions.

A highlight of the year was our "Meet the Author" celebration, held in the gym. Students proudly displayed their writing projects and shared their work with peers and guests. The positive feedback and encouragement they received fostered a sense of pride and accomplishment. We intend to make this event an annual tradition to celebrate our students' progress and creativity.



We want to thank our dedicated staff, supportive families and community partners for making this a memorable and productive year.

We look forward to continuing this momentum, celebrating new achievements and providing the best possible learning environment for our students in the years to come.



Washington Elementary Students Excel Academically While Having Fun, Building Relationships

THE 2024-2025 school year at Washington Elementary was filled with positive school culture and the successful reboot of our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

Through a combination of school-wide assemblies, engaging clubs and enriching activities, Washington has created an environment where students not only excel



academically but have fun and build relationships within the school community.

A cornerstone of this year's focus has been its monthly school-wide events. These events ranged from assemblies to cross grade-level clubs and activities. Students came together to celebrate, motivate and inspire each other.

Additional opportunities were had through our fifth-grade H.E.L.P. group (Helping



Everyone Live Positively), which organized school-wide initiatives like our pet and food drives to our school-wide egg hunt. Our Unified Clubs, cross grade-level PBIS clubs, and Book Buddies, gave opportunities for students to build relationships with students in other areas of the building they may not have interacted with otherwise.

The success of Washington's PBIS was evident in these positive student interactions.

Consistent reinforcement of positive behaviors occurred across all school settings. Students earned the George Washington award and the "Golden" awards weekly, presented to classes demonstrating outstanding behavior in the weekly expectation or in their special classes (art, music, gym, and library). Individuals demonstrating example-setting behaviors received golden coins to be used in our book vending machine, and classes tallied up positive behavior points at lunch and recess.

PBIS isn't just about managing behavior – it's about teaching students the social-emotional skills they need to succeed in life. Clear expectations and consistent positive reinforcement empower our students to make good choices.

As we reflect on the past year, we know the lessons learned and the bonds developed throughout the year will remain with our students, and we look forward to building on this strong foundation in the upcoming academic year.

Wilson Middle School Celebrates Year of Growth, Inclusion and Joy

ONE of our most exciting additions was the introduction of the WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) program. Designed to support our incoming sixth-grade students as they transition from elementary to middle school, WEB pairs them with trained eighth-grade leaders who serve as mentors and role models throughout the year.

This initiative not only helped our youngest Warriors feel welcomed and supported but also gave our eighth-grade students meaningful leadership opportunities and a chance to positively impact their school community.

In addition to launching WEB, our House Challenges continued to strengthen the heart of our school culture. These ongoing, spirited competitions bring students and staff together in a friendly rivalry that builds camaraderie, school pride and a sense of belonging. Whether it was earning points for acts of kindness, academic achievements or spirited participation, our Houses brought energy and enthusiasm to every corner of our school.

Wilson Middle School also remains committed to providing a wide array of extracurricular opportunities that reflect the diverse interests and strengths of our student body. From clubs and sports to music, art and STEM programs, our students had countless avenues to explore their passions, develop new skills and connect with peers who share similar interests.

Together, these programs have made this year one of growth, inclusion and joy at Wilson – a true celebration of who we are as a school community.





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Organization Provides Opportunities For Cognitively Impaired Adults

EAI, a nonprofit mental health organization assisting those in the community with vocational rehabilitation and adult day-care needs, provides many opportunities for cognitively impaired adults to work in the community and engage others.

Carolyn Sloan, president and founder of EAI, believes that “every life holds value, regardless of location, age, gender or disability.”

“There is a plan and purpose for everyone,” she said. “Having a disability should never disqualify anyone from accessing every aspect of life.”

One way they do that is by helping to deliver meals to seniors in some Downriver communities.

“Our cognitively impaired participants provide meals to seniors through Meals on Wheels in the communities of Southgate, Taylor and Lincoln Park,” said Dr. Kevin Sloan, vice president/COO of EAI.

They also help pack the meals, which gives the participants purpose while also helping with their socialization.



“Any time they have the opportunity to do something in the community, they enjoy it,” Dr. Sloan said. “They are very social.”

EAI participants also help out at the Gleaners in Taylor one-to-two days a week.

“These opportunities help to sharpen their work habits, engage in a job or a task, and learn adult daily living skills as well,” Dr. Sloan said.

“Our goal and intention are to make things as normalized as possible, so they get the same experience as anyone else.”

EAI, located at 23015 Ecorse Road in Taylor, is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call (313) 291-2713, log onto eaicorp1.com or email info@eaicorp1.com.





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Early days of the Street Fair include an undated photo (top right) and the fair in 1964 (inset).



A Dream Becomes Reality – Thanks to AAUW and Acanthus Art Society

The Wyandotte Street Art Fair would not exist without these creative women

By Mary-Johna Wein, Wyandotte Historical Society

IN 1933, six members of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) founded the Acanthus Art Society in Wyandotte. Since the beginning its mission has been “to promote cultural awareness, appreciation and enjoyment of the creative arts and crafts in the community.”

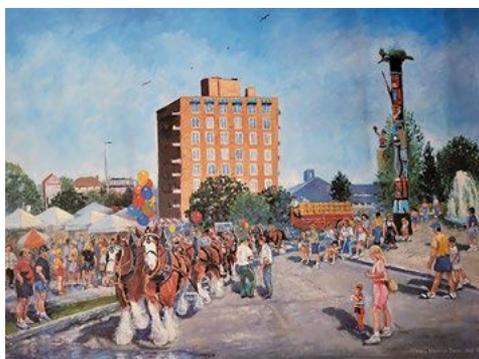
During the 1930s and '40s, the Art Society would host a variety of art shows and exhibits at the methodist church. The May 1, 1936 issue of The Herald reported the list of exhibitors including, “Miss Gwen Frostic – metal crafts.”

In fall 1962, a group of Acanthus Art Society members proposed to have an art fair. On September 28, 1962, their dream became reality.

The day was cold and damp when six local artists displayed their artwork on 1st Street between Elm and Maple for all to enjoy. As the day went on, maybe a dozen visitors glanced at their artwork before continuing their day.

The following day, 23 local artists showed up to display their work. With all the vendors set up on the street, this sprung the curiosity of many locals. Around 100 people stopped to take a glance at what these artists were doing, and this is when the street fair was born.

In 1968, Gloria Dunn noted, “It is the second largest street



Gloria Dunn's painting captured when Budweiser brought its Clydesdale horses to the street fair.

fair in the state. We had grown to 400 exhibitors (sic) and an estimated audience of 150,000 people with Leonore Clark and myself as chairwomen (sic) and co-chairwomen (sic).”

As the years went on, the street fair continued to grow. For the next 11 years, Acanthus Art Society would continue to run and organize the street fair. In 1980, the City of Wyandotte assumed primary management of the street fair.

In 1986, the City of Wyandotte presented Acanthus Art Society with an award for originating the fair and for the many years of sponsorship.

Today the Acanthus Art Society is still active in the street fair but their role has changed. They no longer run the entire event but they get to meet and greet all the people who come to visit.

This year, the Acanthus will have the first two booths located at Biddle and Oak Street.

If you are interested in joining the Acanthus Art Society, monthly meetings are held at the Bacon Memorial Library on the fourth Wednesday of the month. Please check the Bacon Memorial Library calendar to see a list of events offered, including a variety of art and craft classes, or visit Acanthus Art Society on Facebook or Instagram.



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From left to right: K-9 Jax, Officer Jonathan Cox, Officer Bradd Smith, Officer Cade Barwig, Officer Shane O'Meara, Officer Christian Perez, Councilman Bob Alderman. Mary Rodriguez is seated in her new wheelchair in front.

A COLLECTIVE EFFORT

Community bands together to help woman in need

By Police Chief Archie Hamilton

ON April 17, just after 4:00 p.m., councilman and retired police officer Bob Alderman was driving down Ford Avenue near 2nd Street. The councilman observed a woman sitting on the ground near a church. Although dozens of motorists passed the woman without a second thought, the retired officer's intuition told him to stop and check on the woman.

It's a good thing he did.

Alderman learned that the 66-year-old woman was struggling to stand on her own power. Further, she suffered from a medical condition that caused her legs to fail, making it extremely hard to walk.

The woman, who did not have any money for public transportation, was attempting to walk from Wyandotte Henry Ford Hospital to her home on the Taylor/Southgate border. The councilman called the police for assistance, which prompted a response by officers Cade Barwig, Jonathan Cox and Shane O'Meara.

When the officers advised the woman that they would give her a ride home, her main concern was her inability to pay them for gasoline. The councilman and officers helped the woman to a police car before driving her home.

During the ride they learned that the woman did not have the means to afford a wheelchair despite her desperate need for one. The encounter with the woman propelled the councilman and officers to provide further assistance. They teamed up with Deputy Chief Ken Groat and purchased the woman a brand-new wheelchair.

On May 9 Councilman Bob Alderman, Officer Jonathan Cox, K-9 Jax, Officer Bradd Smith, Officer Cade Barwig, Officer Shane O'Meara, Officer Christian Perez and Deputy Chief Ken Groat delivered the new wheelchair to Mary Rodriguez. They also gave Ms. Rodriguez \$200 in Kroger gift cards for groceries.

This incident perfectly illustrates the meaning of "community." The help provided to Ms. Rodriguez was truly a collective effort.

The funds to purchase the wheelchair came from the police department's public relations account, which is funded by donations made by community members and local businesses. The funds for the Kroger gift cards were donated by the members of the American Legion (#217).

As a direct result of our community's generosity, Ms. Rodriguez received the help that she so desperately needed.





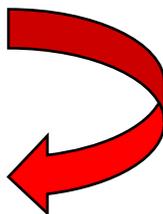
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'ALL IT TAKES IS GRIT'

Three-sport Bears athlete also excels off the field, gives insight into what makes a good teammate

By Terry Jacoby

PLAYING three sports in high school is a challenging task – period. Playing three sports at a high level and winning Bear of the Year (coaches award) in all three is an incredible accomplishment – no matter how you break it down. Playing three sports at a high level and managing a 4.15 grade-point average to earn valedictorian honors is off the charts.

Meet Amelia Grenz – a standout three-sport athlete and the Wyandotte Roosevelt High School 2025 class valedictorian.

That's the what – but the how sounds pretty simple.

"All it takes is grit," Grenz said. "Work harder than you would've ever imagined and nothing is unachievable. There will always be challenges, but if you learn to rise above them, then there's no stopping you."

That "grit" and "no stopping you" attitude earned the Roosevelt senior a trip down I-94.

"Next year, I will be studying archaeology and museum studies at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor," she said proudly. "I'm not sure if I will continue with sports at the next level."

Amelia, 18, is the daughter of Melinda and Greyson Grenz and is a member of Quiz Bowl, Youth Alive and National Honor Society. She also enjoys reading and playing the piano.

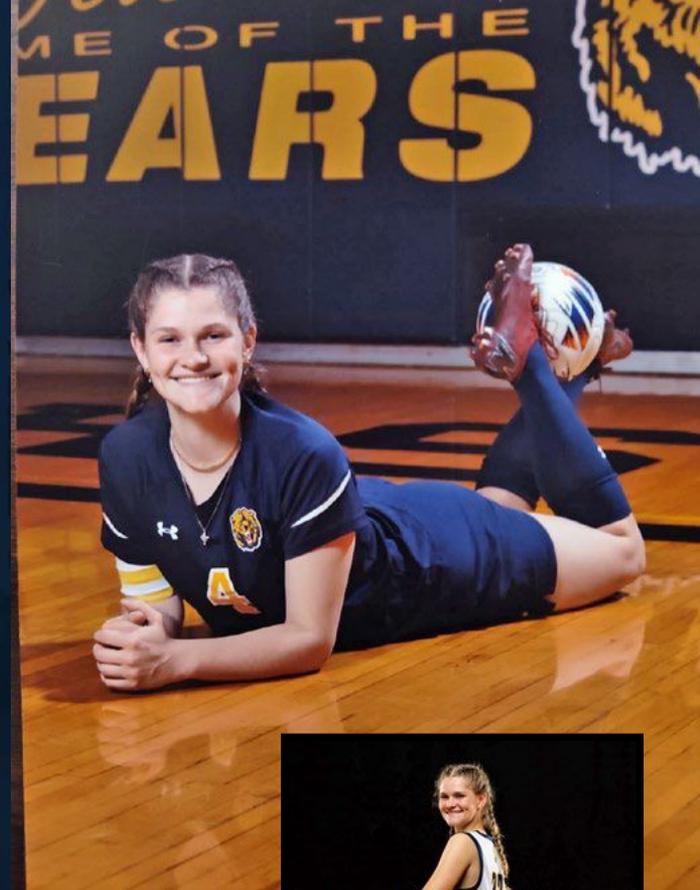
But what she really enjoys is competing on the athletic field/court, and juggling a volleyball, basketball and soccer ball for the Bears has been fun, rewarding and challenging.

"Some of the challenges would have to include just overlapping seasons or not getting enough rest for my body, but overall I think it was worth it," she said. "I got to make so many new friends while pushing myself and seeing how far I could go within my sports."

She played outside hitter and middle back for three years for the Roosevelt volleyball team and earned All-League and All-District honors all three seasons and All-Region the past two.

"My career highlight is the game against Allen Park, where both our setters were out so everyone was put out of position. However, we almost beat them despite being out of sorts, and I think that's the best I've ever seen us play."

Grenz played two seasons of varsity basketball for the Bears, where she played both power forward and guard. She scored 18 points and was the leading scorer in the



team's game this past season against Huron.

"We still lost that game but we played very well and Huron was a very good team," she said.

While she was a late comer to soccer, it's her favorite of the three sports.

"My favorite sport is soccer even though I've only played soccer for three years," she said. "I fell in love with it."

And she's pretty good at it, earning All-District and All-League honors the past two seasons and kicking her name into the school's record books as a senior.

"My career highlight was our Senior Night this year against Annapolis, when I scored three goals," she said.

Grenz finished the year with a school-record 22 goals.

Playing three sports gives Grenz good insight into what makes a good teammate.

"Simply, I think it's someone who pushes to make those around them better," she said. "You're a good player if you continue to get better, but you're a good teammate if those around you continue to get better as well."



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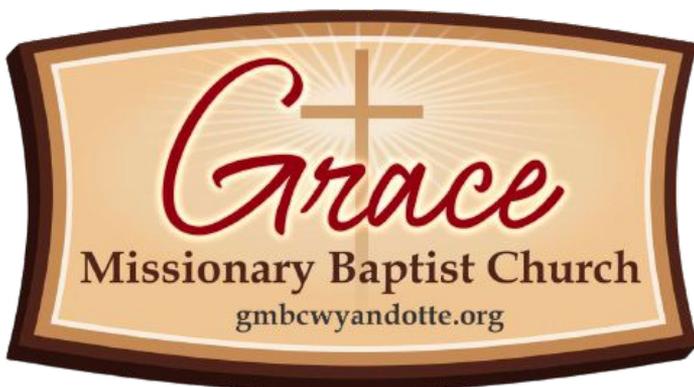
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Bring on the Berries!

These versatile bursts of flavor have many uses

By Lisa Howard

ONE of the lushest, juiciest summer ingredients is berries. They're also naturally low in sugar and high in flavor, making them the ideal simple dessert or salad topper or even salsa base. And the reddish or purplish hues of most berries occur thanks to anthocyanin, an antioxidant being studied for possible health benefits. The only downside to berries is their perishability, but when they're at their peak in summertime, it's not hard to find plenty of ways to enjoy them!

Strawberries are the queen of berries. Ranging in size from cute to that'll-take-a-few-bites, they work well in either savory or sweet settings. Think of them as a sort of tomato – they're fabulous tossed into salads and as the basis for a salsa, or you can make jam out of them and then use the jam to make homemade BBQ sauce. On the sweet side, strawberries are big enough to be dipped into melted chocolate for an elegant dessert or thinly sliced and fanned out across the top of a cake for dramatic effect.

Blueberries can be wild (lowbush) or cultivated (highbush). Wild berries are smaller and more concentrated in flavor – cultivated berries are plumper and juicier. Both are ideal to drop into parfaits or a bowl of DIY granola, and smaller wild berries are particularly suitable to include in muffins, cakes and other baked goods because they won't make the batter collapse. Blueberries are also sturdier and less staining than other berries, so if you'd like to take some berries on a hike, choose blueberries.

Raspberries can be red or yellow (the latter are called golden raspberries). Because they're so fragile, they should be used promptly – serve them with freshly whipped cream, offer them alongside cheeses on a charcuterie board or whiz them into a vinaigrette. Puréed raspberries make an intriguing base for a fruit soup or a summer mocktail, although you might want to press the purée through a sieve to eliminate the seeds.

Blackberries can turn anything purple! Homemade blackberry ice cream is a lovely lavender color, and blackberry coulis is an elegant amethyst. Depending on how you use them, you might want to get rid of the seeds, or you can use blackberries as semi-crunchy, eye-catching garnishes, say atop a chopped chicken salad. Blackberries make excellent pies and cobblers – those aren't meant to be airy, so in that case, bigger berries are a better choice.

Mulberries can't be bought but they can be collected. They look like miniature blackberries (but thankfully, their seeds are unnoticeable), and their red, purple and white fruits carpet sidewalks and streets come midsummer. Pick them before they can hit the ground! Eat them with a splash of cream, stir them into yogurt, make them into pies – treat them like you'd treat any other berry.

Mulberries are everywhere, free for the taking. (Although of course don't trespass to pick them.)

Goldenberries (a.k.a. groundcherries, Cape gooseberries and physalis) have a unique floral flavor and look like tiny orange tomatillos, which isn't surprising since the two plants are closely related. Their somewhat perfumed nature makes them a perfect partner for seafood dishes, or you can take the sweet route and serve them with a scoop of vanilla ice cream. They're also quite sturdy and make excellent fruit kabobs. Of all berries, goldenberries can hang out in the fridge the longest.



Lisa Howard is a writer, editor and health educator who loves to share her joy of cooking delicious and nutritious foods during her community talks and culinary classes. You can find out more about her classes and recipes at www.theculturedcook.com.



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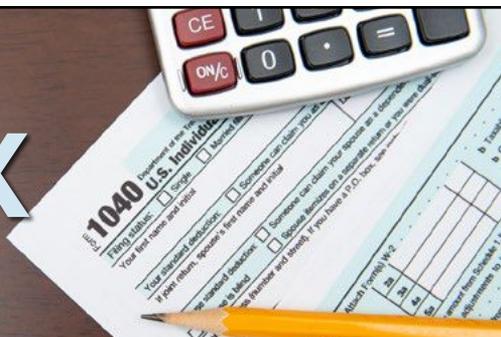
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September 19

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September 26-27

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Downtown Wyandotte
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October 3

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Wyandotte Museums
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October 17

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