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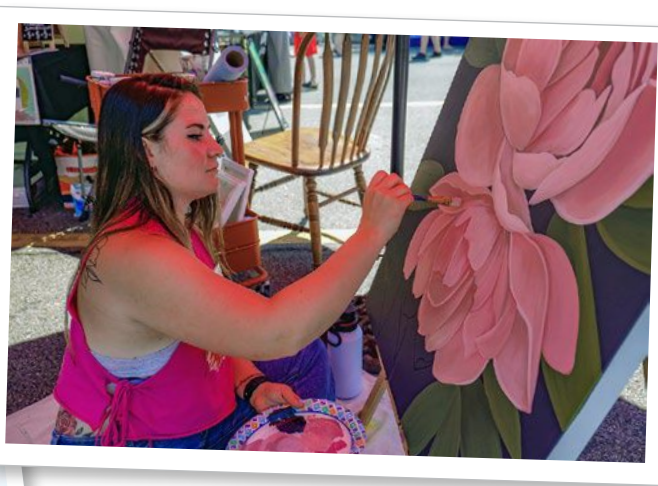
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# WELCOME TO Wyandotte!

On behalf of our elected officials, it is a great pleasure for me to extend a sincere welcome to everyone visiting the city of Wyandotte for the 62nd Annual Wyandotte Street Art Fair.

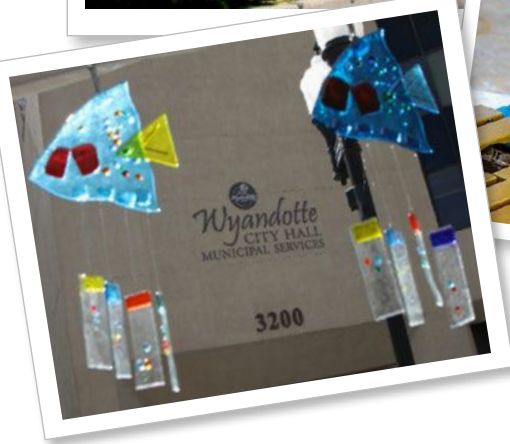
This year's fair will feature over 250 booths of artists representing the finest in arts and culture, entertainment, exhibitors and, of course, a variety of food to satisfy everyone's taste. Add to that the sidewalk sales offered by our downtown businesses and our many fine restaurants, and you will see why the Wyandotte Street Art Fair has grown to be one of the largest and best-attended fairs in the state of Michigan.

The Wyandotte Social District is an "open container" district created by the Wyandotte Mayor and City Council in August 2020. A social district is a defined area with specific boundaries where patrons can purchase and consume beer, wine, or spirits in a designated common area outside the walls or patio spaces of the bar or restaurant from where it was purchased. Pedestrians will be allowed to purchase alcoholic beverages from adjacent, licensed establishments and shop, sit outside, or walk around, as long as they remain within the commons area boundary. Only bars and restaurants with social district permits can serve social district beverages in specially approved social district cups. Wyandotte's Social District will run daily from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We are happy you are here, and I hope you will return often to enjoy all we have to offer. I am thrilled to welcome you to Wyandotte!



Robert A. DeSana, Mayor  
City of Wyandotte  
mayor@wyandottemi.gov



# Wyandotte Street Art Fair:

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**DATES:** The 2023 Wyandotte Street Art Fair is held from Wednesday, July 12 through Saturday, July 15. 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 2023 Wyandotte Street Art Fair.

Wyandotte Street Art Fair

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# Featured Artist

## BEN MACHESKY



*"From the day I saw cartoons and animated movies for the first time, to my fascination for the natural world, I knew I wanted to express these passions in the world of art. I am capable of almost any art medium ranging from sketching with pencil, pen, charcoal, pastel, paint and occasionally digital illustrations. I am hoping to find somewhere I belong and show the rest of the world what I have to offer when it comes to art and design. I have already had success in events such as the Wyandotte Street Fair and working with clients such as the Lear Corporation. I only hope that my passion continues to grow as well as the number of people my art inspires."*



## Meet Art

ART is one of the first creative images representing the fair. ART's likeness was rediscovered on an early Street Art Fair poster in the archival collections of the Wyandotte Museum. When ART first made his debut in Wyandotte, it was 1964 and the Street Fair was only three years old.

ART is fun, funky and creative, encapsulating the spirit of our fair. Originally a stylized line drawing, ART represents a true piece of Wyandotte history.

The fair, created by the Acanthus Art Society, quickly became a greatly anticipated and fun summer event!

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47/48	Joe Kisselburg
75/77	Tammy Bourque
103-106	Rob Rex
133	Sawai Namewicha
143	Molly Deighton
146/148	Beverly Watson
154	Lisa Green
241	Mary Watters

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*Clyde Mazza*

## FIBER

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13/15	Astou Dioum
14	Nancy Ellenberger
16	Jobeth Milliron
21/23	Landria Johnson
38	Katherine Sherlock
41	Patty Pun
50.5	Patty Herrera
73	Laura Rangos
81	Kelley Skillin
82/85	Gene and Judy Cantrell
90/92	Lucy Moore
94	Elisa Angjeli
172	Angie Adams
205/207	Clara Syphrit
219	Robin Cardona
225/227	Veronica Villaclara
234	JAI Leonhard
240	Dawn Rockett
250	Gary Bender
311	Pat Sarver

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Cheryl Baker



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4	Dan Stephens
7	Kimberly Thon
10 & 12	Melissa Klapper
19	Kelle Liabenow
29	Haley Labian
30	Amy Moore
37	Carol Bramblett
44	Pornthep Ruang
52	Larisa Zimin
59	Daniel Fager-George
74	Catherine Laughery
78	Dana Cutter
97	Kiley Burke
138	Jill Howard
142	Gloria Zuccaro
144	Ken Small
152	Espacia Fotiu
155	Dean Ernst
159	Kelly Zimmer DeMichele
165/167	Elizabeth Fontenot
177/179	Tess Aksamitova
182/184	Lacey Johnson
199.5	Ryan Lapeer
200	Amit Katan
215	Linda Tong
233	David Friel
237	Gabriela Diaz Capt
239	Youa Yang
242	Brent Clover
245	Lance Wurtz
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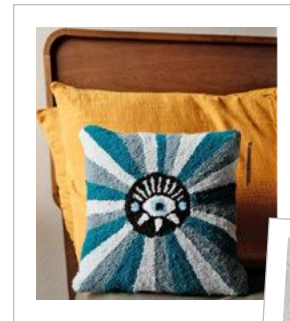
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39	Laurie Copeland
43	Wanpen Ruang
45	Eric Kahmann
51	Tammy Doroshewitz
61	Rhonda Manning
71	Kaytlyn Tomassi
76	Melissa Woods
79	Marianne Stamper
88	Kelly Civitarese
91	Carly Szajnecki
95	Christine Borowski
98	Cheryl Stevens
131	Irene Giannini
135	Jenna Hirt
139	Roxann Kesterson
147	Carlos Iglesias
153	Kathy Fields
158	Jodi Quisling
162/164	Brent Ragan
169/171	Gerri Pizzini
176	Rebecca Sisler
186	David Wagman
190	Charise Bundesen
193/195	Catherine Watkins
197	Michael Bonardi
213	Jose Farinango
218	Maha Majed
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Charise Bundesen



Kathy Fields



Mark Slaven



Lia Harmon

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<b>Booth</b>	<b>Artist / Business Name</b>
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63	Ryan Tiburzio
80	Emre Tekeli
134/136	Lia Harmon
203	Herb Brown
206	Youngjoo Yoo
217	Laura Hogan
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# SUCCESS Virtual Learning

## Downriver's alternative high school option

By Kelsi Klein

**S**UCCESS Virtual Learning-Downriver Center, located at 24680 Eureka Road in Taylor, is an alternative high school blending brick and mortar with virtual schooling. The Downriver Center is one of the 11 centers in the state contributing to the academic achievement of over 2,000 students across Michigan.

"We want to help Downriver families learn and know that there are other options besides their school district's virtual program," said Center Director Lynne Nowicki.



The Downriver Center is closing out its fifth school year with the goal of providing an accredited high school diploma to each student who enters the program. Students can enroll from age 14 until they turn 22. The Center can accept students who have been expelled from their schools along with those who choose not to attend.

"Kids need to know that when they come to our school, it doesn't matter what drove them to our door, it just matters what decisions they make every day going forward," Nowicki said.

The Downriver Center opened in the fall of 2018 and graduated their first class in 2019. According to Nowicki, COVID created a boom for the program and showed a lot of families the benefits of online schooling for their kids, especially those who might have struggled in the classroom but thrived with remote learning.

SUCCESS Virtual Learning requires the Michigan Merit Curriculum. Students need 18 credits to graduate and there are no elective requirements, so kids can enter the school on track to graduate in three years instead of four. With the Center's self-paced education program, they have a history of graduating students early.

The school also provides students with an individualized graduation plan that assesses each student's credits, allowing the program to determine exactly what they need to complete each day to graduate on the day they choose.

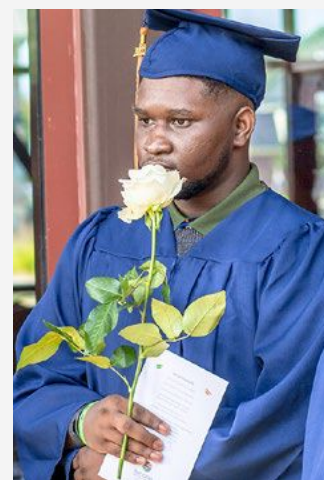


A common misconception with virtual learning is that students can coast through the classes and pass. However, SUCCESS Virtual Learning requires students to pass enough of each grading category to have a passing grade in the course.

"When you go into a traditional school and you're sitting in the classroom, you can sit in the back of the classroom and do nothing, pass the final and ultimately pass the class," Nowicki said. "In our program that's not possible, so students are getting more content practice in our program than maybe perceived in an online system."

Despite being a virtual school, Nowicki explained that the personal touch is a really important piece of the program.

Students and parents receive regular communication and support as well as in-person engagement activities. The Center is also a physical building that is open to the students to drop in, see real people, study and get help with schoolwork onsite whenever they need it.



In addition to having relationship managers and certified teachers who work with the students daily, SUCCESS Virtual Learning also provides career and college counselors who aid students with higher education applications, FAFSA and even sees students all the way through their trade school or four-year degree program.

"Those who work at the Center have passion, purpose and intention behind their jobs," Nowicki said. "It's always been about the kids and it always will be,"

Learn more about SUCCESS Virtual Learning at [www.successmichigan.org](http://www.successmichigan.org).



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22	Demi Heitzman
51.5	Joseph Hosler
62	Misty Bondy
64	Conrad Lustig
66/68	Nancy Byrum
70	William Mascaro
93	Dominic Palazzolo
101	Val Tomich
102	Tony Noto
130.5	Ben Machesky
132	Alexa Daluz
150	Anthony Brass
160	Lyon Ganun
175	Aaron Sandock
189	Jen Callahan
191	Kelly O'Neill-Dusome
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3	Linda Powers
24	Mick McArt
34/36	Jay Wennersten
56	Tony Miello
57	Ron Jacek
87/89	Haylee M. Shoop
161/163	Brian McKelvey
173	Kenneth Dionisi
198	Christopher Deighan
243	Christina Jacobs

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<a href="http://www.CrittersForCompany.com">www.CrittersForCompany.com</a>
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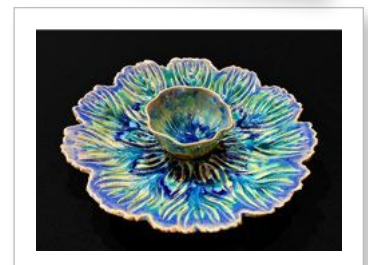
## POTTERY

<b>Booth</b>	<b>Artist / Business Name</b>
50	Rich LaBell
84	Michael George
100	Edgardo Manosalva
141	Jason Bove
156	Karin Villaroman
199	Erin A Hoekzema
209/211	Nancy Lind
214	Jane Waxenfelter
220	Paige Deon

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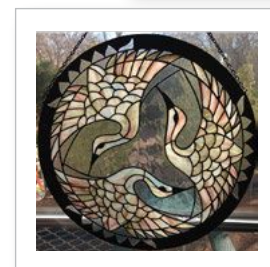


Jane Waxenfelter

## GLASS

<b>Booth</b>	<b>Artist / Business Name</b>
140	Vasil Ivanov
168/166	Marten Ullenbruch
204	Kathleen Standard

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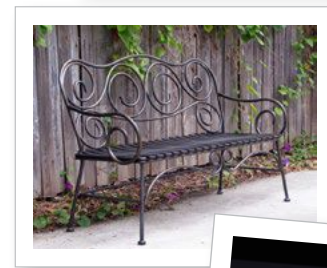


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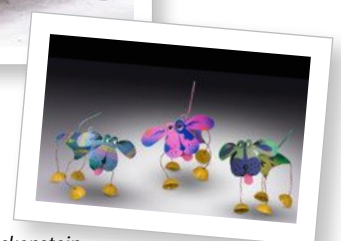
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<b>Booth</b>	<b>Artist / Business Name</b>
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18/20	Brady Teig
26/27	Neil Plotkin
40	Anna Fleckenstein
46	Patti van Tonder
49/49.5	Robert Barkley
157	Randy Vliet jr.
170/108	Pamela Drake
192	Scott Hornbaker
202	Robert Lyall
208	Dianna Sturman
228/230	Jack Rak

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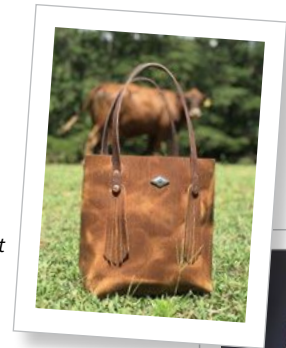
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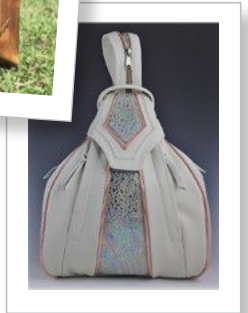
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130	Paul Aude
137	Judith Smith
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Dylan Britt



Judith Smith



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54	Triamjai Dawson
86	Rich Post
221/223	Chris Hildenbrandt
304/305	Paul Luczynski
350	Joseph Goddard

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Chris Hildenbrandt



Triamjai Dawson



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17	Larry Orr
28	Reese O'Toole
31/32	Cynthia Kinhead
62.5	William Newhouse
99	Bernie Doyle
149/151	Donald Peterson
174	Thad Johnson
236	Ricardo Marganon
300/301	Mary Snell
306/30	Zsolt Szabo

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Jodi Quisling  
Pamela Redman  
Sandra Rodriguez  
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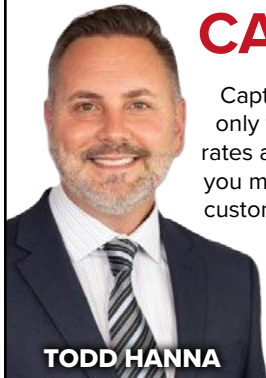
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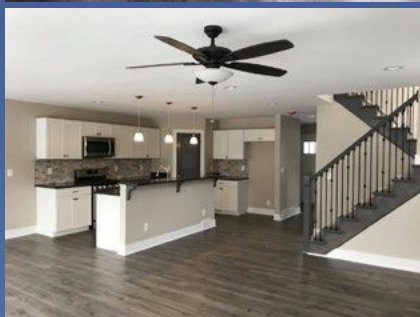
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# Teaching Financial Freedom

## Credit union program opens youths' eyes on the cost of being an adult

**A** DVANTAGE One Credit Union is spreading financial literacy throughout the community one person at a time.

The credit union, with Brownstown and Southgate branches, recently held a Financial Reality Fair at Taylor High School, with more than 200 students learning the dos and don'ts of spending, saving and budgeting. It was a welcome mat of sorts to money management.

"It helps students learn what it's like to be an adult," said Lindsay Dennis, Advantage One marketing coordinator.

They learned about interest rates and how that can affect how much you pay for monthly mortgage costs. Different mortgage rates can have a big impact on someone's future financial stability, Dennis said.

"It's Money 101 and we're trying to help people not end up in a bad situation because they made a bad choice," she added. "The kids love it. They walk away saying, 'Wow. I didn't realize what my parents went through with buying groceries and other costs to run a household. They didn't realize it costs that much to be an adult. It opened their eyes and it's life changing.'"

### Real life

Students at the fair were given fictional careers, credit scores and salaries. They had to make choices as they visited a dozen booths, where they were asked questions about potential monthly expenses like transportation, housing, insurance, entertainment and life events.

They had to make decisions about things like whether they should buy a fancy car, a bicycle or something in between based on how much money they had. The goal was to learn how to live within their means. Advantage One sponsored the event and representatives from other credit unions participated.

Free financial education programs are provided in person and virtually to

schools and nonprofit agencies that have embraced the program for their clients as well. Agencies are happy to provide another benefit at no charge to the organization or the people they serve, Dennis said.

### Reaching out

Some of the advocacy agencies that are using the program include Vista Maria, helping girls and their families overcome traumas; Fish & Loaves Food Pantry, and the Information Center, a nonprofit that guides people through available services and resources.

"The program is for anyone who is in need of financial education," Dennis said, adding that if someone is struggling with mental health issues, getting their money concerns in order is one less thing for them to stress about.



Emily Thurston, Advantage One marketing director, said the organization works hard to build communities through outreach programs like the literacy education program teaching the cornerstones of budgeting and financial stability.

"We continue to improve financial literacy in young people and adults alike," she said. "They learn how to handle their money, how to spend it, how to save it and where to save it."

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## What are the dates and hours of the Art Fair?

The Art Fair is held Wednesday, July 12 through Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m. - 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 businesses who wish to become part of the WSAF must submit an application to the Special Events Office for the City of Wyandotte. Applications for the 2024 WSAF are



available now. Please email us to receive an application: [hthiede@wyandottemi.gov](mailto: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 an application to the Special Events Office for the City of Wyandotte. Applications for the 2024 WSAF are available now. Please email us to receive an application: [hthiede@wyandottemi.gov](mailto:hthiede@wyandottemi.gov).

## How do I become a sponsor of the Art Fair?

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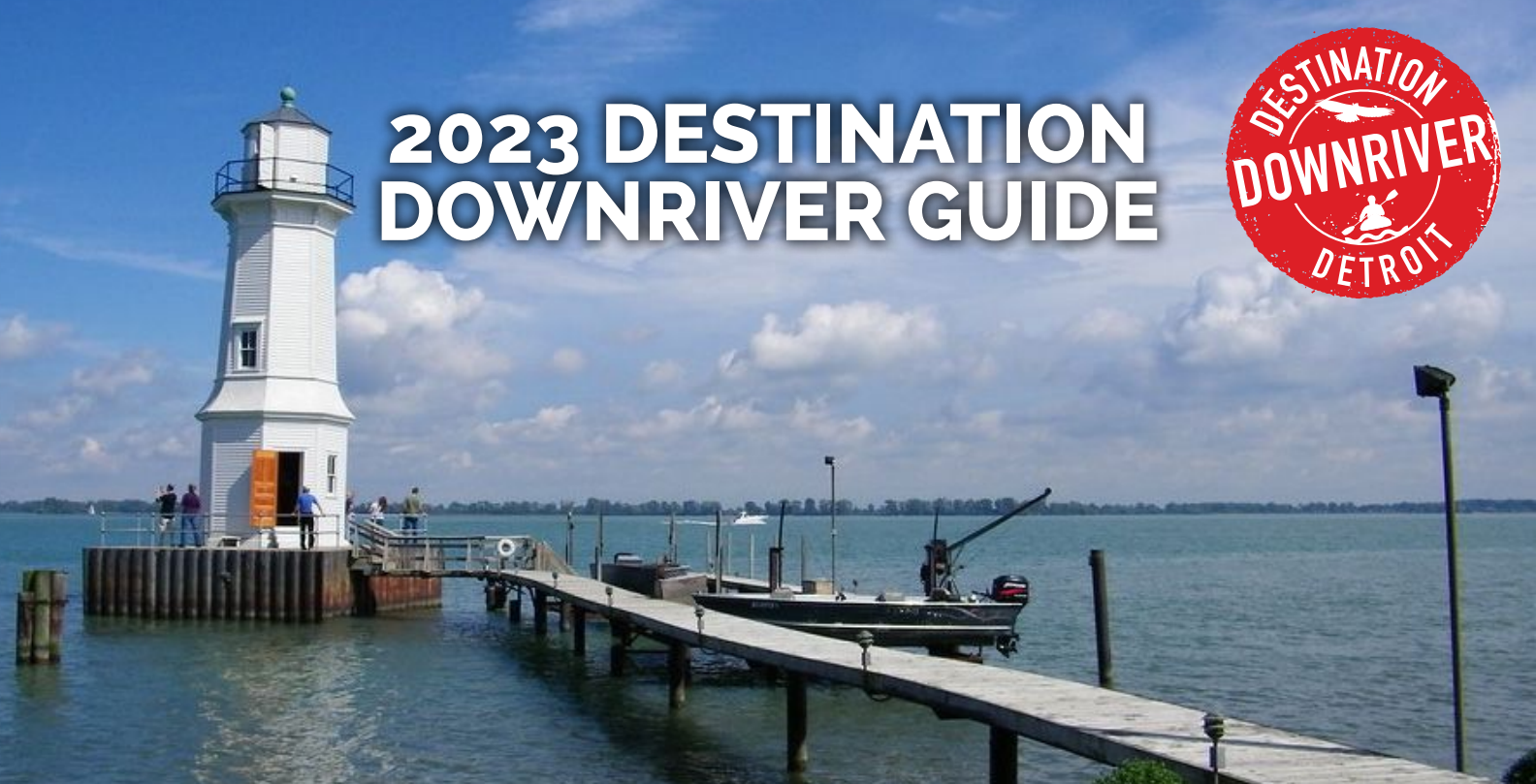
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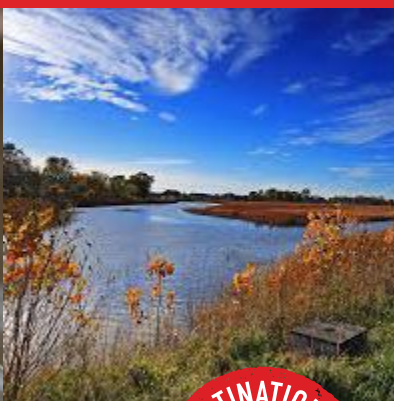
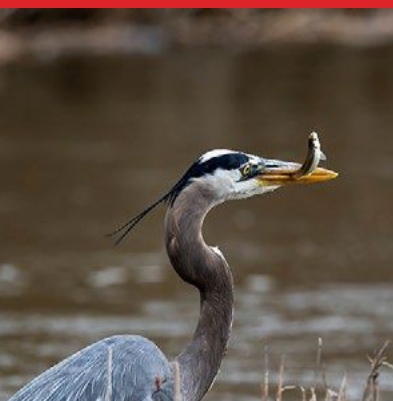
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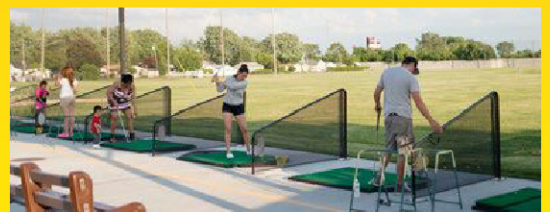
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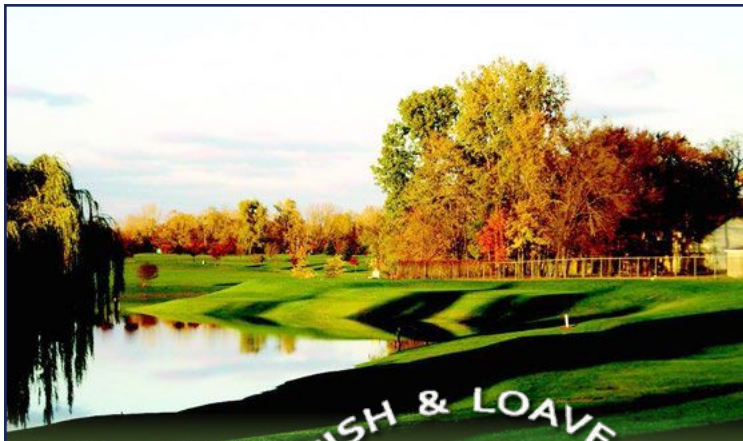
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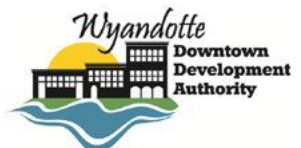
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## Smuggler's adds national acts to entertainment roster

**S**MUGGLER'S RUN on the River and Tiki Bar started bringing live national acts to its Wyandotte riverfront venue last year and the response from patrons has been over the top, according to owner Kevin Travers.

"It's Metro Detroit's newest and most unique concert and live entertainment venue," he said. "It's a true destination for live entertainment."

Last year Smuggler's revamped the stage, lights and sound system to better accommodate the large space – 20,000 square feet inside and a 20,000-square-foot patio. The sound system provides a whole new listening experience.

"The patrons and the bands are pleased with the actual sound they hear – it doesn't have to be too loud," he said. "It's given us a lot of great opportunities to book some really cool shows, where people can meet and greet these bands and see them perform up close and personal."

Travers has been attracting national music and comedy acts ever since.

"We take good care of the bands when they come into town," Travers said. "We're trying to build something that has a good reputation. Agents talk to each other. They're super impressed with the venue."

This summer some of the national acts include Texas Hippie Coalition, July 23; Puddle of Mudd, August 4; and Dokken and Lynch Mob, August 5.

"It's surreal that our venue has secured acts like that," Travers said.

He tries to book local, regional, national and possibly in the future international groups performing a lot of genres – just about everything.

"They might be older acts, up-and-coming acts or underground acts who have a tremendous

following," he said. "It's fun trying to get these acts to Wyandotte, so everyone from patrons to the staff and the city are proud of what we try to do."

"We're still going to always have our local bands we've partnered with," he added. "We're a nightclub too, with a DJ and a wide variety of entertainment."

Smuggler's Run has long been known as a premier restaurant with an oversized tiki bar and live entertainment.

Travers decided to add the national and international acts to beef-up interest in Smugglers during the slower season between October and April.

"I needed to find a way so we can be open longer with shows," he said. "I need to keep my staff employed and making money so they can support their families. We thrived during COVID because we had live entertainment on the patio. We followed all the rules and people wanted to get outside, because they were tired of being cooped up. From 2018 to 2023 we learned more about what this facility was capable of doing."

Travers is working on booking a comedy show with nationally known comedians in November. He's also planning magic and children shows as well as symphony performances.

"We're trying everything we can to offer something for everyone in the community," Travers said. "Our clientele is a good mix and match of ages."

A list of events and live performances, from new and beloved bands, singers and performers, are listed at [www.smugglerswyandotte.com](http://www.smugglerswyandotte.com). Smugglers Run on the River and Tiki Bar is located at 1 St. John Street.



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# More Than Skin Deep

## Spa provides care for oncology patients, 'health challenged' skin

By Diane Gale Andreassi

**S**ARAH Vail, director of The Avalon Day Spa, is one of a handful of experts statewide providing skin care for oncology clients, and she helps others with varied skin needs and wants.

"My specialty is people with health challenged skin," she said.

Vail, a licensed aesthetician and certified in oncology skincare by Oncology Training International, opened Riverview's The Avalon Day Spa in January 2023.

"People going through chemotherapy and radiation have skin conditions that manifest from the inside out and they're sensitive to the sun," Vail said. "I've had clients say their skin hurts. I'm soothing inflammation and calming irritation."



### Varied services

She also helps clients with rosacea, hyperpigmentation, scars, skin conditions from autoimmune disorders and a wide range of other skin disorders. She uses a variety of techniques, including a full spectrum of corrective non-evasive chemical peels from Lira Clinical, a medical grade line, to help people with acne, anti-aging and skin textural issues. The process is designed with healing elements and is less aggressive than traditional peels while still being effective.

Vail is trained and certified in a number of treatments, including an organic vitamin-infused sunless tanning through Sjolie; collagen induction; microcurrent skin rejuvenation; biodynamic lymphatic drainage and many other treatments including Viennese and European facial massages.

The technology of esthetic tools, like the modern collagen induction system from Candela Medical, helps her provide excellent results in micro-needling. She also incorporates tools, like the Lucas-Championnière Pulvériser, for gentle skin hydration.

"I mix this advanced technology in my services with traditional holistic therapies like



Ayurvedic skincare, organic and botanical products and blend them for complimentary, effective and gentle treatment," she said.

### Customized care

Wellness and knowledge are her primary goals.

Vail conducts services in a clinical atmosphere where clients fill out a form that reviews their medical histories, medications and treatments that could affect skin health.

She discusses their goals and concerns, delves into their current homecare routines and she looks at the active ingredients in the products they use to determine possible side effects.

"I educate them on which active ingredients will work in synergy to assist them in skin care," she said. "My clients leave better educated and with a detailed homecare plan that is within their budget. An aesthetician guides them on their skin care journey and helps them with their skin care health."

The Avalon Spa also provides facials, dermaplaning, waxing, lash extensions, make-up applications and specialized spa packages.

### Meaning in the name

The Avalon Day Spa is named for the Isle of Avalon, a mythical island fabled to be a place of plenty. It was also known as being the heart of medical and wellness education, where healers and herbalists studied and practiced while focusing on excellence.

"I took this concept and applied it to how I wanted my spa to be," Vail said. "I have extensive education compared to traditional estheticians. I readily pass on this education to my clients to help them with homecare."

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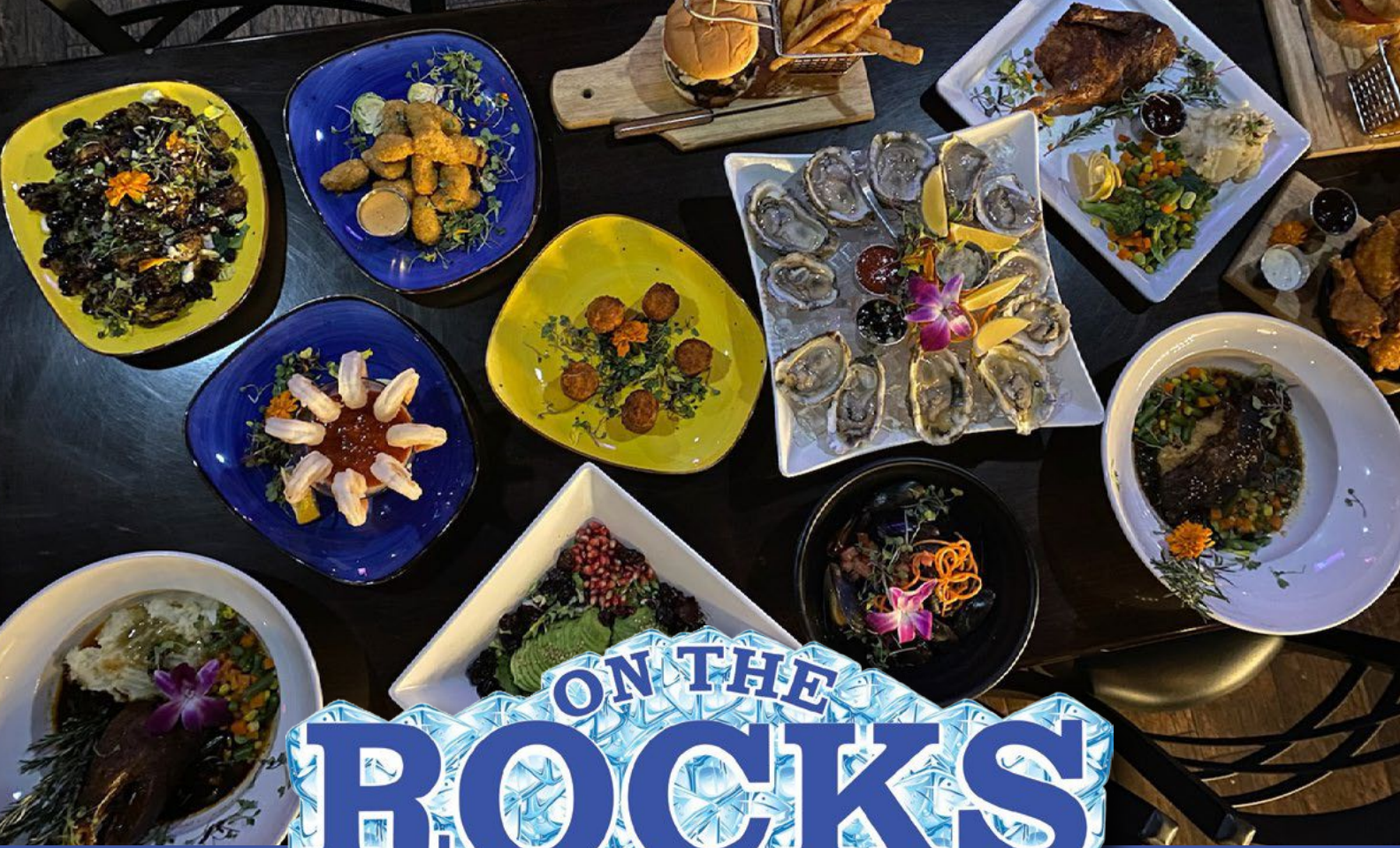
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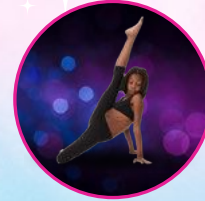
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# A GREAT GOAL

Youth soccer is available to all in Downriver and beyond

By Nicole M. Robertson

**M**OST of the world plays football with a round ball and well, feet, while American football involves throwing a ball that isn't even round.

It's true most Americans prefer our football but don't discount the world's game. The 2022 FIFA World Cup finals (what Americans call soccer) drew an estimated 1.5 billion viewers worldwide, while Super Bowl LVI was watched by fewer than 200 million, according to Sports Illustrated. CBS News is so confident of the game's popularity, it's planning to launch Golazo Network, a 24/7 streaming soccer channel, in April.

Detroit City Football Club (DCFC) makes it easy for kids to participate in the world's most popular sport, played by more than 4 million Americans.

"We have programs for players ages 2-18, from recreational programs all the way to competitive-level soccer," said DCFC Downriver Club Director and Staff Coach Jon Evans. "We want to provide soccer opportunities for everybody, no matter what their circumstances might be."

Evans, 34, a 2007 graduate of Woodhaven High School, earned his Bachelor of Science in integrative



studies with a minor in exercise science at Oakland University. He's in his eighth year coaching at DCFC.

"I'm a first-generation soccer player," he said. "It just stuck, because my brother did it, and I fell into it."

Evans noted many of his young players' parents were involved in American football when they were young.

Detroit City FC Downriver offers different programs designed for boys and girls looking for recreational playtime, or who want to build skills for competition.

Soccer Tots teaches fundamentals to children ages 2-5, focused on balance, coordination, socialization and emotional development. The Foundations Program (ages 5-8) develops the skills of the youngest players, preparing them for travel competitions, with a typical player-to-coach ratio of 1:8.

Developmental teams, unique to the Downriver area, bridge the gap from foundations to competitive travel. Competitive teams play in leagues throughout Metro Detroit and the state of Michigan.

"We want to help kids reach their goals in soccer," Evans said. "Currently, we are coaching kids who will play college soccer in the fall."

Tryouts for competitive teams will be June 10th and 11th at Heritage Park in Taylor.

"Our coaching staff is a little bit younger," Evans said. "We give our players an opportunity to continue with the game through coaching, offering job opportunities after high school. We give back, and it's something that our families can support and grow with."

The club becomes a family. Parents say, "When someone scores, we all score. When someone is hurt, we all hurt." That camaraderie is most important to Evans.

"We instill some of those values that they use on the field that as people they can become in the future," he said.

The nonprofit club keeps costs low for maximum participation, with scholarships available, Evans said.

"We charge at least 50 percent less than other clubs in the U.S.," he said. "Some charge \$4,000 a year, and our rec-based programs are right around \$60. If you break it down to the number of contacts/the games they get to play, it's less than \$10 per contact. So I think we're doing something right."

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## Trains offer better prices, views, comfort

By Diane Gale Andreassi

**W**HEN it comes to travel, trains have a better track record over planes in a lot of areas, ranging from comfort to providing amazing views that would otherwise be lost in the clouds.

Train travel gives you constantly changing views. The sights, especially while traveling out west, can't be beat. Your window is the frame to fields and mountains, small quaint towns and big cities.

### More benefits

Clear your head and relax. The best part of taking a train instead of flying is you won't have jet lag when you arrive at your destination. It's easier, too, than dealing with traffic and trying to navigate unfamiliar roads.

There's no long waits in security lines. Airlines often recommended you arrive at the airport at least two hours before your flight is scheduled to take off. On the other hand, since you're sidestepping security checks you can arrive at the train depot minutes before your train leaves.

When it comes to sticker shock the price of a plane ticket can be a game changer. The travel search website Hipmunk, which displays train options alongside flight results, found that on the top 100 Amtrak routes booked from 2018 to 2019, train travel was cheaper 80 percent of the time. Travelers choosing the train option saved an average of \$132.

Costs are cut by traveling on trains, too, because you can generally take more with you before paying extra baggage fees.

### Fewer delays, more legroom

When is the last time you heard about a weather delay for trains? Flights, on the other hand, are postponed on the regular for ice, wind, snow and rain.

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While you're in the dining cart grab something to eat – whenever you want – and choose from a menu. If children are in the travel group, trains offer them more chances to move around, too.

### Another option

Air travel is sometimes limited for people with health issues, like stroke, respiratory disease or women who are in the last stages of their pregnancies.

Train travel has been found to have less of an impact on the environment, too. Some estimates say rail travel can reduce carbon emissions by 37 to 54 percent. In fact, air travel is listed as one of the fastest-growing contributors to climate change. Take a train and shrink your carbon footprint.

Let's face it, train travel is a simpler way to travel. It's rustic, romantic and harkens back to our ancestors, who often traveled by train from New York to various places around the country when they arrived as immigrants. There's a pull that reminds us of countless movies and books that use train stations as the backdrop for couples in love saying goodbye, greeting relatives and starting new life journeys.





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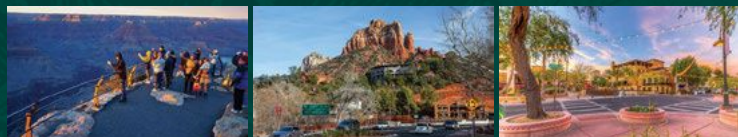
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### Conditions treated in the ER

“People may not realize the variety of conditions we see in our emergency rooms,” Dr. Plemmons says. “Also, depending on the symptoms and severity, we may provide immediate treatment or use radiology tests such as X-rays and CT scans, lab testing or other tools to first make a diagnosis before determining the best next steps for care.”

Some of the conditions that the Downriver ER team sees include:

- **Chest pain:** This symptom should never be ignored, because it could be the sign of a heart attack or a related condition such as heart failure. If you suspect heart attack, call 911 immediately.
- **Stroke:** Stroke is the leading cause of adult disability in the United States, and when you or a loved one is having a stroke, every second counts. If you suspect stroke, call 911 immediately.
- **Abdominal pain:** While many people experience a stomach ache occasionally,

when you get a sudden or severe pain in your abdomen, it could be the sign of a serious issue such as appendicitis or a kidney stone.

- **Headache:** If your headache is sudden or severe with no known cause, or if you experience symptoms such as a high fever or prolonged vomiting, seek emergency care.
- **Flu, COVID-19 and other upper respiratory infections:** If you have a high fever, trouble breathing, chest pain, persistent vomiting, or are suddenly dizzy or confused, seek emergency care. These illnesses can also lead to life-threatening respiratory conditions such as pneumonia, and treatments are available.
- **Cuts:** Bad cuts can happen even with normal daily activities. For example, the phenomenon known as “avocado hand,” which happens when someone tries to use a knife to cut out or stab an avocado pit and ends up cutting their hand instead. When a cut doesn’t stop bleeding after applying pressure for 10-15 minutes, it requires emergency care.
- **Dental emergencies:** Severe toothaches cannot always wait until the dentist is open, and they may be a sign of abscesses and other conditions caused by serious, and potentially life-threatening, infections.
- **Diabetic emergencies:** If you have diabetes and your blood sugar levels spike and can’t be controlled, this could lead to a coma, kidney failure, nerve damage or blindness without treatment.

“These are just some of the common conditions we see,” Dr. Plemmons says. “We treat a variety of conditions in patients of all ages – everything from sore throats and back pain to shortness of breath.”

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# Junkluggers

## Bettering the community, helping the environment

**O**NE person's junk is another person's treasure. It also can be another person's sofa or washing machine or refrigerator or computer or many of the items Junkluggers come to rescue from ending up in a landfill.

"I've always been interested in owning my own business but wanted to find something that also involved giving back to the community and helping people," said Jennifer Allen of Grosse Ile. "I wanted the best of both worlds, where I could make a little money while also giving back to my community."

She found the best of both worlds in Junkluggers, a national chain with franchises in almost every state, including three in the Metro Detroit area. They are "trustworthy advocates for our community and planet," whose mission is to enhance lives, the community, and the environment by donating, recycling and supporting local charities.

It's a win-win-win. It's a win for the people looking to get rid of items they no longer want, it's a win for charities and people in need who get important and necessary items for free and it's a win for the franchise that makes a few dollars along the way.

"It's also a win for the environment, which is something that is very important to me," Allen said. "These items end up in people's homes instead of in landfills."

The Junkluggers is an eco-friendly junk removal company committed to providing an elevated customer experience and bettering the environment and communities they serve.

"Giving to charities is an important part of the business and we have partnered with several in the Downriver and eastside areas that we serve," Allen said. "I looked into a number of other franchises but this one really stood out because they truly are eco-friendly and they make a difference in the community. It aligned with my goals and principles as a person."

The franchises are divided into territories and Allen owns the Downriver area and parts of the eastside of Detroit. She opened the business on March 14, 2022 and her son, Max Dorn, helps run the day-to-day operations with her.



"I'm proud that we are a woman-owned and family-operated business," Allen said. "We had a decent first year and are hoping for an even bigger second year. We are trying to get the word out that we are here in the community."

Junk removal services include, but are not limited to, residential and commercial junk removal; curbside pick-up; E-waste removal/ recycling; property management clean-outs; construction site clean-outs; senior downsizing; estate cleanouts; appliance and furniture removal; attic, basement and garage clean-outs; storage unit clean-outs; and hoarding clean-outs.

Their "Big Hairy Audacious Goal (BHAG)" is to keep 100 percent of reusable items out of landfills. Having a strong set of core values is critical to helping make that dream a reality.

"They act as guidelines for making big decisions, helping to lead the company toward success," Allen said. "Every part of our organization embodies these core values – it's who we are and how we serve."



The Junkluggers was created 15 years ago by CEO Josh Cohen, who was studying in Australia during a semester abroad from the University of Connecticut. One of his friends mentioned that he made \$100 for lugging away a neighbor's fridge. Cohen thought, "Hey, I can do that!"

"It's ranked among the top franchises to own in the country," Allen said. "And it's growing every year."

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Chapman doesn't do it all by himself. His right hand is Audrey Isrow. Her advertising and media career



began at BBDO, managing millions of dollars in media for national clients, including Chrysler/Jeep/Dodge, Range Rover, Carhartt, Ford, Hormel, MGM Pictures, Mercedes Benz and more.

Chapman's resume is equally impressive. He founded The Ad Professor while also managing nearly a hundred customers face to face. With tens of millions in personal print and digital sales, he began merging his skill set with one of the top NBC affiliates in the nation, handling direct and agency clients all over the United States and training side by side with third-party digital companies and branding houses.

Currently, The Ad Professor offers small to medium businesses access to teams of campaign managers and media professionals that can be considered larger than any agency in Michigan.

"I like working with family-run businesses and watching them win," Chapman said. "We like to win! We have a model where we share in the lift in profits, which makes the customers happy. We do it ALL and we do it with integrity and panache. Plus, we have a LOT of fun. If you don't like to have fun – even when it's serious business – don't call me."

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"THERE'S something about being close to family," said Christopher Chapman, when asked why he didn't move to Birmingham or Royal Oak or Troy, where other agencies like to locate. "I can get my daughter from school and get her on the bus every morning and its amazing to be so close to home, plus I can spend my lunch money in my community where it matters."



Chapman, founder of The Ad Professor, has lived on and off in Downriver Michigan since attending Michigan State in the early '90s. This serial advertising die hard has worked for local companies like WDIV Local 4 and launched markets for Gannett, owners of the beloved Detroit Free Press. He even helped launch JB Dollar Stretcher Magazine – a Detroit "coupon" rag from back in the early 2000s.

While co-enterprising a social media company called ClickUpon, he also located office space in Wyandotte in 2020. His expansion to 140 Elm Street in the Lochner Professional Building has him excited.

"Living close to the water, close to family, and being around real Detroiters helps me stay focused on my work," Chapman said. "The real Detroit I love flows Downriver."

When asked why he chose Wyandotte to grow his footprint, here's what he had to say:

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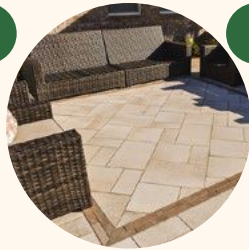
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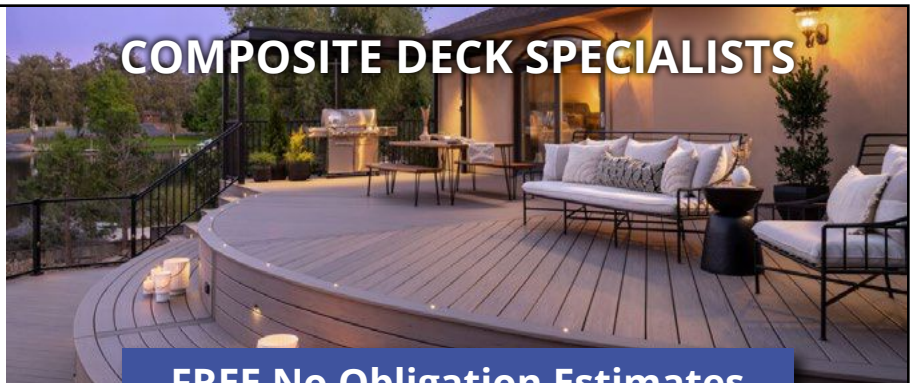
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- **Babytime/Toddler – Tuesday, July 11, 18, 25 at 10:00 a.m.**

Join Ms. Lynne for stories, music, dance, and bubbles! This program is geared for babies and young toddlers.

- **Family Storytime – Tuesday, July 11, 18, 25 at 11:00 a.m.**

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- **Wild Things Storytime – Wednesday, July 12, 19, 26 at 11:00 a.m.**

Join Miss Lynne on the front porch of the Bacon House for a nature-inspired storytime. Weekly outdoor excursions that may sometimes get messy will follow each storytime. Come prepared to get excited about our great outdoors. This is a family storytime intended for 36 months to second grade.

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## Summer Reading 2023 – All Ages

[baconlibrary.org/summerreading](http://baconlibrary.org/summerreading)

Register for the Summer Reading Programs! Online registration began Wednesday, June 1. All logging began June 19 and ends July 29.



Throughout the summer, earn points for reading and activities. Points will be redeemed for reading dollars to shop at our Bacon Reads Store. You can earn up to 10 reading dollars and you will be able to shop for really cool prizes in August! There will also be challenges and surprise drawings for Downtown Dollars and other cool prizes!

## Tiny Art show

*Pick up supplies starting Monday, June 26 – Saturday, July 1 during open hours. Drop off finished canvases by Monday July 31 to be included in the art show.*

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## Bacon's READING Challenge 2023

Sign up for this month's challenge and you will get a surprise book that fulfills the theme.

Pick up: Saturday, July 8, August 12 [baconlibrary.org/readingchallenge2023](http://baconlibrary.org/readingchallenge2023). Check out the online version: <http://baconlibrary.readsquared.com>

## All Together Now: Kids Make & Take

- **Pre-school - 4th Grade, Available every Wednesday**

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- **July 5:** We will be crafting a sun dial to tell time using the sun.
- **July 12:** After visiting the Art Fair, stop by the library to make your own wearable art using our pin machine.
- **July 19:** Stop in to make some silly fruit in celebration of the harvest.
- **July 26:** Stop in to make a chime, then hang it on a tree in your yard.

## Family Program Thursdays

- **July 4th Breakout Box, July 3-8**

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- **DIY Earrings for Teens – Saturday, July 8 at 1 p.m.**
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- **Neon Sign Craft, July 10 from 2-4 p.m.**  
Everyone needs a little bling in their life. Come learn to make a neon sign. All supplies included. Registration Required!
- **Wreck This Journal Program, July 17 from 2-4 p.m.**  
Stop by the library to assemble a wreck this journal, journal?! After assembly, the real fun begins as you follow prompts to destroy the journal.

### Dungeons & Dragons

- **Kids Dungeons and Dragons – Thursdays, July 6, July 13, July 20, July 27 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.**  
4:30-5 p.m. is the introduction to Dungeons and Dragons. If you have never played D&D, you must attend this training. 5-7 p.m. is the D&D game play.
- **Teen Dungeons and Dragons Saturdays, July 15, July 22, July 29 from 1-3:30 p.m.**  
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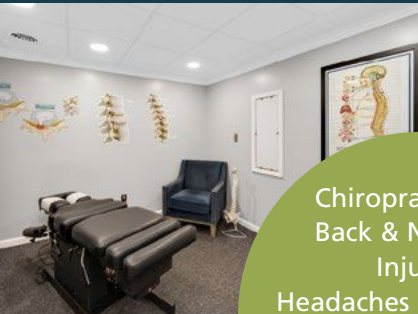
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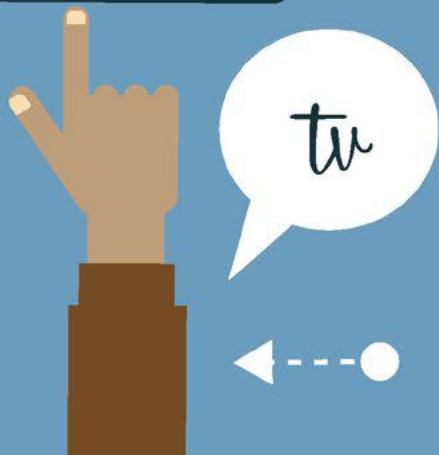
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# Get Out, Have Fun

These activities will keep you moving this summer

**SUMMER** is just around the corner and what better way to celebrate than to indulge in fun, warm-weather activities. Check out our suggestions below. We're sure you'll find something you like!

## Have a picnic in a park

Grab a blanket and picnic basket packed with your favorite foods and you're good to go! And don't forget your cooler to keep those drinks refreshing and cold. Favorite picnic food staples include fresh fruit, pasta salad, cold chicken, and any type of chips and dips. This is a perfect activity to do alone with a book or with a group of family and friends.

## Hit the water

Being surrounded by the Great Lakes, along with Michigan's many inland lakes, provides numerous options for water-related activities. This includes swimming, tubing, paddleboarding and kayaking. There are many places on the coasts where you can go to rent kayaks, canoes and other equipment to ensure you have a great day in the sun! And don't forget, many cities and townships now have their own splash pads and pools to help keep people cool. Bonus points if you have a friend who owns a boat. A day on the lake is just what the doctor ordered to get your Vitamin D.



## Beach time, baby!

This is for people who love water but don't necessarily want to go in water. For various reasons, some people would rather watch the aquatic action from the safety of the beach, and that's okay. Michigan has plenty of fabulous beaches to choose from, mainly all on the west side of the state. Pack a beach umbrella, blanket, chairs, cooler, snacks and a good book, and settle in for a relaxing outing that will help melt all your stress away. If you're a more active beachgoer, bring a kite to fly, search for Petoskey stones and shells, or build a sandcastle. And sticking around to watch the sunset is always a good way to end the day.

## Have a bonfire

We suggest this with the usual safety warnings of making sure you stay in compliance with whatever city or township ordinances there are where you live. So if a full-out bonfire isn't in the cards for you, you can still enjoy roasting s'mores or hot dogs over one of those portable fire pits.

Again, make sure you're following safety procedures so your neighbors don't call the cops on you – just when the chocolate's melting perfectly on your s'more!

## Nature trails

Michigan is great for hiking, with many trails to explore nature and all it has to offer. It's worth investing in a Recreation Passport, which opens up myriad opportunities to hike in state parks everywhere. Just be smart and don't forget the bug spray and protective clothing to protect yourself against mosquitoes and ticks. You may also want to bring along binoculars to check out birds and other items of interest.

## Whatever you want!

Doing whatever you want is a choice you have all year long but for summer, some of these miscellaneous activities may include drawing sidewalk art, blowing bubbles, making homemade popsicles, planting flowers, etc.

Whatever activities you like to do, do them with joy and be safe! That includes making sure you have plenty of sunscreen, water (and no, you shouldn't hydrate by drinking lake water!), bug spray, a flashlight, map, charged up phone, etc. The more prepared you are, the more fun you're likely to have.

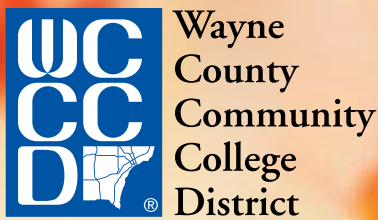
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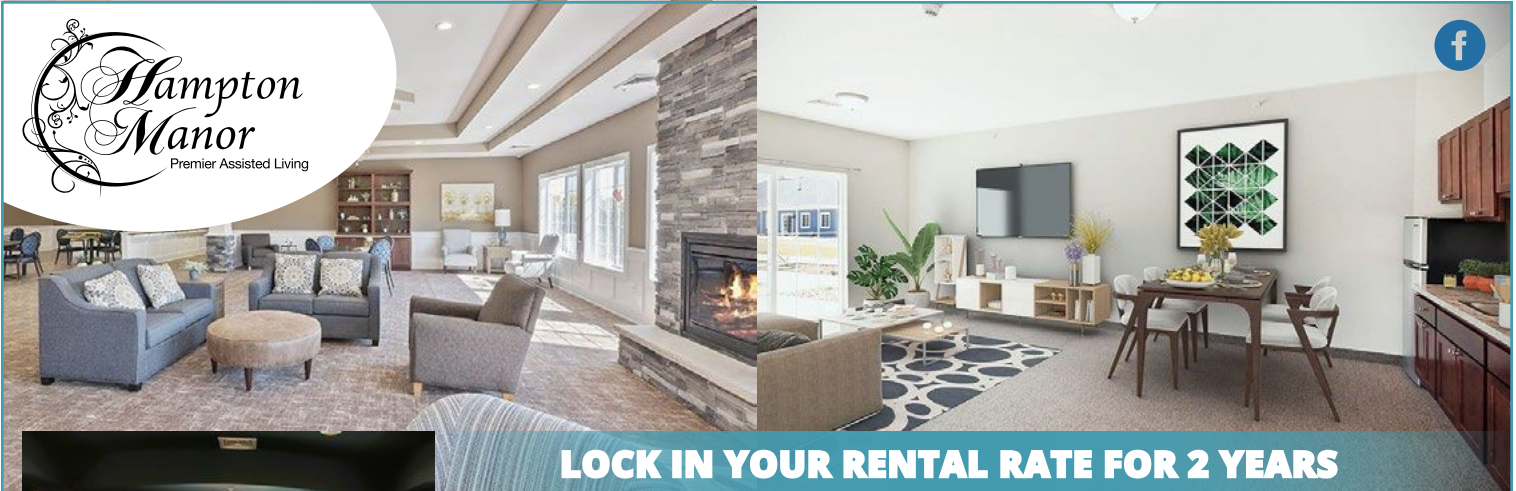
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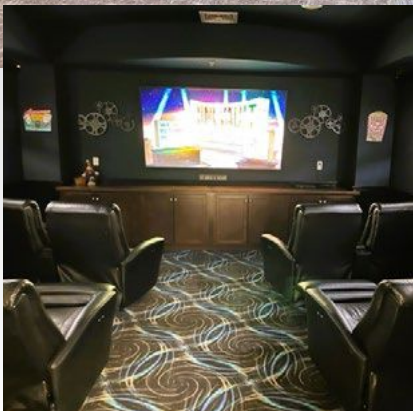
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# Improve Your Self-Esteem for Lasting Happiness

By Carol Zuniga, CEO, Hegira Health

**SELF-ESTEEM** is one of the most frequently used and oldest themes in contemporary psychology. Therapists often talk about the need to raise one's self-esteem.

But what exactly is self-esteem?

Self-esteem is an individual's perception of, or belief in, his or her own value or importance to self and others. It is important because your level of self-esteem drives how you approach the world, impacting most everything you do. Persons with high self-esteem feel good, accept flaws and feel empowered to make changes. Persons with low self-esteem often feel helpless, sad and are plagued with self-doubt.

So how do you know if you have good self-esteem or if you need to work on it? It's not always easy to see yourself the way others may observe you.

Measuring the degree of self-satisfaction you have with how you are conducting your life is one way of addressing the results of your self-esteem. If you describe your life with statements such as: I am with the person or persons I want to share my life with; My decisions take me where I want to go; I am managing life's challenges – you likely have good self-esteem.

Low self-esteem can cause great emotional pain and impair achievement across all aspects of life. If you find yourself being described in the following list, consider getting some help to understand the causes of low self-esteem, how you or your situation may be reinforcing the perceptions maintaining your beliefs, and how to change them.

- You frequently engage in negative self-talk, reject compliments from others and belittle yourself, outwardly or in your thoughts.

- You are harsh in your comparison of yourself to others.
- You frequently choose doing something for someone else that hurts or diminishes you.
- You hesitate to speak your thoughts because you don't believe your ideas have value to others.
- You have a frequent need to prove yourself and may engage in activities you would otherwise not do to prove to others your importance.
- Fear of making a mistake or failure stops you from doing things you really want to do.
- You accept when others hurt you because you feel you don't deserve better.
- Fears that you are not worthy of or that others will hurt you stops you from starting new relationships.

The thing about self-esteem is that if you have too much of it, you irritate the people around you, but you feel okay. If you have too little, you suffer. No one needs to suffer. With some guidance, through a book, a therapist or a mentor, everyone can improve their self-esteem.

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# 2022 WATER QUALITY REPORT

## **PUBLIC NOTICE Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)**

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) initiated a statewide effort to test drinking water from all schools that use well water and community water supplies. The test examines for a group of manmade chemicals called per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). EGLE is taking this precautionary step of testing these drinking water sources to determine if public health actions are needed. It is not uncommon to find low levels of PFAS in drinking water supplies, as PFAS can be found in firefighting foams, stain repellants, nonstick cookware, waterproof clothing, food wrappers and many other household products. PFAS do not break down in the environment and move easily into water. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set a Lifetime Health Advisory (LHA) level for two PFAS in drinking water, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS). The LHA level is 70 parts per trillion (ppt, equal to 70 ng/L) for PFOA and PFOS combined, or individually if only one is present. The EPA has not set health advisory levels for other PFAS compounds. The State of Michigan is using 70 ppt for decision-making purposes. The Wyandotte Municipal Services Water Department's water system was tested by AECOM, EGLE's contractor on 7/26/2018. The test results can be found on the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team website, [www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse](http://www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse). The results show that of the PFOA and PFOS tested, none were detected in Wyandotte's treated drinking water. The tested level is well below the EPA's lifetime health advisory.

The Wyandotte Municipal Services Water Department is committed to providing our customers with quality drinking water. As your water supplier, we are working closely with EGLE to maintain the quality of your water. For health-related questions, contact the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) at (800) 648-6942 or visit one of the websites below. For information on PFAS including possible health outcomes, visit these websites:

State of Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) website, serving as the main resource for public information on PFAS contamination in Michigan: [www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse](http://www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse).

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

website including health information, exposure, and links to additional resources: [www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas](http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas).

United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) website including basic information, U.S. EPA actions, and links to informational resources: [www.epa.gov/pfas](http://www.epa.gov/pfas).

## **Calls From Our Customers**

The Customer Assistance Center helps customers understand billing questions. Also, they transmit trouble reports out to various departments immediately and are the link between customers and field servicemen. For assistance, please call (734) 324-7190.

## **Rusty Water**

Rust comes from the inside of the piping system that delivers water to your house. Normally, water flows to your house undisturbed. Sometimes, main breaks, or hydrants that are opened for a fire or to flow a hydrant for a system problem can cause the flow to increase or to reverse and possibly disturb the rust in the pipes.

**NORMALLY RUSTY WATER EVENTS DISSIPATE IN 4-6 HOURS BUT COULD LAST LONGER DEPENDING ON AREA WATER USAGE.** The easiest way to quickly get rid of the rust is to run cold water in your bathtub or flush your toilet until the water runs clear.

### **DO NOT USE HOT WATER.**

Rusty water can get into your water heater and it can take longer to get the rust to clear out of your plumbing.

### **DO NOT WASH LAUNDRY.**

Clothing washed in rusty water can become stained. If this occurs, it is important to NOT dry the clothing. Instead, leave the wet clothing in the washer and apply an iron removal product as soon as possible to prevent the iron stain from setting. Please follow the manufacturer's instructions. It is important to note that when rusty water is experienced it is normally not a health concern but one of aesthetic quality.

## **Quality Assurance**

Our plant operators perform 170 tests or more per day. Tests are done on both our source water, the Detroit River,

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and our finished water before it goes out to our customers. In addition, our operators who live in Wyandotte bring in samples from their homes to test and make sure that the water in the system complies with regulations.

Tests include:

- Chlorine residual – a disinfectant to remove pathogens
- Fluoride – a chemical to help dental health
- Hardness – measures dissolved minerals
- Phosphates – a chemical that helps pipe integrity
- Ph – measures the acidity of the water
- Alum – helps to remove suspended solids
- Turbidity – measures suspended solids
- Bacteria – e coli, an indicator organism that can prove the presence of other bacteria

In addition to the above testing, our operators each perform “unknown sample” quality assurance / quality control testing during the year to ensure that the methodology we are using results in proper and repeatable outcomes. The laboratory equipment is checked on a daily basis and calibrated monthly. As needed, manufacturers perform full and traceable calibration on their equipment.

Our laboratory is certified by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), and is inspected every three (3) years by the EGLE. Personnel are certified and attend classes run by or accredited by the EGLE, which allows them to maintain and improve their certification.

### Important Health Information

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants may be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The U.S. EPA/CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791 or <http://water.epa.gov/drink/hotline>

### Substances That Could Be In Water

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. EPA prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

### Lead in Home Plumbing

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Infants and children who drink water containing lead could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and in-home plumbing. The Wyandotte Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you have a lead service line, it is recommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791, or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

### Lead Service Lines

Based on our current distribution system inventory, we have 693 lead water service lines out of a total of 10,512 water service lines.

### UCMR4

We participated in the 4th stage of the U.S. EPA's Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR4) program by performing additional tests on our drinking water. UCMR4 sampling benefits the environment and public health by providing the U.S. EPA with data on the occurrence of contaminants suspected to be in the drinking water, in order to determine if U.S. EPA needs to introduce new regulatory standards to improve drinking water quality. Unregulated contaminant monitoring data are available to the public so please feel free to contact us if you are interested in obtaining that information. If you would like more information on the U.S. EPA's Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule, please call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

### Source Water Assessment

A source water assessment has been completed for our water system. Our source water has a classification of high susceptibility to contamination. This susceptibility rating does not imply poor water quality; rather, it signifies the system's potential to become contaminated. To review the Source Water Assessment please contact Justin Ptak at (734) 324-7142.





Regulated Substances							
Substance (Unit of Measure)	Year Sampled	MCL (MRDL)	MCLG (MRDLG)	Amount Detected	RANGE Low-High	Violation	Typical Source
Barium (ppm)	2020	2	2	0.01	NA	NA	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Chlorine (ppm)	2022	(4)	(4)	1.18	0.93 - 1.42	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Fluoride (ppm)	2022	4	4	0.04	NA	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (ppm)	2022	10	10	0.24	NA	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	2022	60	NA	15.8	10.0 - 16.0	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	2022	80	NA	18.7	9.8 - 30.0	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TOC (ppm)	2021	TT	NA	1.90	1.30 - 1.90	No	Soil Runoff
Turbidity (NTU)	2022	TT	NA	0.07	.02 - .07	No	Soil Runoff
Turbidity (Lowest monthly percent of samples meeting limit)	2022	TT=95% of samples < 0.3 NTU	NA	100	NA	No	Soil Runoff

Secondary Substances							
Substance (Unit of Measure)	Year Sampled	SMCL	MCLG	Amount Detected	RANGE Low-High	Violation	Typical Source
Chloride (ppm)	2021	250	NA	13	NA	No	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits

Unregulated Substances				
Substance (Unit of Measure)	Year Sampled	Amount Detected	RANGE Low-High	Typical Source
Sodium (ppm)	2022	8.7	NA	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate (ppm)	2021	30	NA	Erosion of natural deposits
Manganese (ppb)	2019	0.728	ND - .728	Erosion of natural deposits and corrosion of iron pipes
HAA5 (ppb)	2019	21.727	13.915 - 21.727	By-product of drinking water disinfection
HAA6Br (ppb)	2019	8.798	7.393 - 8.798	By-product of drinking water disinfection
HAA9 (ppb)	2019	29.296	20.136 - 29.296	By-product of drinking water disinfection

Lead & Copper								
Substance (Unit of Measure)	Year Sampled	AL	MCLG	Amount Detected (90th %tile)	Sites Above AL/ Total Sites	Violation	Range of Results	Typical Source
Copper (ppm)	2022	1.3	1.3	0.1	0/30	No	0.0 - 0.2	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead (ppb)	2022	15	0	11	3/30	No	0 - 21	Lead service lines, corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion of natural deposits

### DEFINITIONS

**AL (Action Limit):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking

water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants

**MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**N/A:** Not applicable  
**ND (Not detected):** Indicates that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

**NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units):** Measurement of the clarity, or turbidity, of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**ppb (parts per billion):** One part substance per billion parts water (or micrograms per liter).

**ppm (parts per million):** One part substance per million parts water (or milligrams per liter).

**SMCL (Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level):** SMCLs are established to regulate the aesthetics of drinking water like taste and odor.

**TT (Treatment Technique):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**90th %tile:** The levels reported for lead and copper represent the 90th percentile of the total number of sites tested. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of our lead and copper detections.

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# LOCAL BUSINESS SERVING SMALL BUSINESS

**R**ON Thomas is finding ways to reinvent underutilized properties for new purposes.

He created The Offices in Wyandotte, which includes two properties – one at First and Oak streets in 2019, and a second at 100 Maple in 2020. Small businesses that want flexible terms for quality workspace operate from these locations.

He recently opened a similar project called Better Space Shops and Storage at Pennsylvania and Biddle in Wyandotte, offering workshop and storage space for tradespeople like painters, plumbers, electricians and other skilled trades people.

“We solve real estate problems by creating properties that serve their communities,” said Thomas, the owner and founder of RAV, a real estate development company that built and manages each of these properties.

“We focus on building the kinds of spaces that we ourselves want and need” he added. “If you have a large enough business to commit to a long-term lease or purchase of your own space that’s great, but if you have a smaller or growing business then we create space for you.”

## Born out of necessity

Thomas grew up in Wyandotte, lives there and works in the community.

In 2005 he started his first business, Rise Above Entertainment, in the garage of his childhood home. At the time he was a 19-year-old touring professional BMX stunt



rider and the business was aimed at competing with his employer by producing the events he was hired to perform in.

Within a few years Rise Above Entertainment became the largest producer of BMX performances of its era. At its peak, it was producing around 1,000 performances per year across the United States.

“Eventually I outgrew my mom’s garage” Thomas jokes. “But then you find yourself in this position of needing more space but all the options are too costly or too much of a commitment. And so I thought – why don’t I create the types of space that I want for my own business and figure out a way to make them economically accessible to other people like me?”

Through the process he learned that building, finance and economics are topics he enjoys, and that real estate development is where he wanted to be. In 2010 he returned to Wyandotte and began working in real estate on the side. From 2015 to 2019 Thomas began stepping away from events and started transitioning to full-time real estate development.

Today his company’s primary focus is solving real estate related problems through a lens of economics, construction and finance.

“I like the challenging projects” he goes on, “the projects that may require a lot of work but that will also have a tangible impact on the community.”

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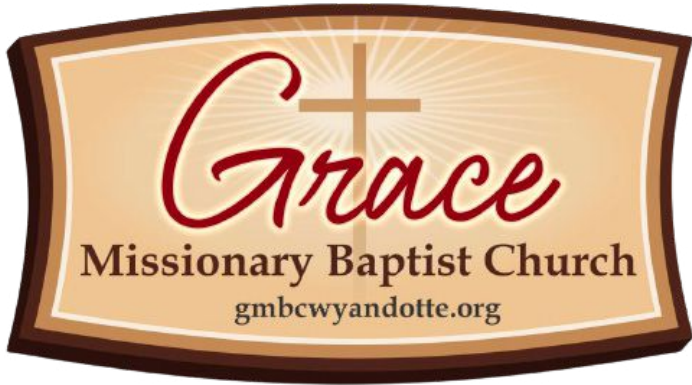
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Thursday at 7pm  
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# COURT OF APPEALS

## Maurino, Bears serve up outstanding 2023 season

By Terry Jacoby

**WYANDOTTE** varsity tennis coach Joey Loselle likes to say, “you either win or you learn.” Jackie Maurino and the Bears have done quite a bit of both during the 2023 season.

Only a junior, Maurino netted a first-place finish at the Division 2 Regional hosted by Wyandotte on May 18. She defeated Carlson’s Adyson Brake 6-4, 6-4 in the finals at one singles and never lost a set in her three matches. The Bears finished second overall with 14 points, just two behind champion Trenton, and qualified for the D-2 State Finals.

“Our team has made huge improvements in all aspects of the game, especially considering the fact that we haven’t made it to states as a team in five years,” Maurino said. “I believe that the growth of companionship as a team has led to our success this year. I have never felt more connected to a team throughout the sports I’ve participated in.”

Maurino said her goals coming into the season included what the Bears accomplished at regionals.

“My goals consisted of making it to states, taking a medal home from each tournament, as well as developing a strong bond with my coach and team,” she said. “If I had to describe our team in one word, it would be determined. Since the start of the season, the team has made incredible progress that we knew we could reach with effort and consistency.”

The team’s performance at regionals was certainly one of the highlights. Other regional winners for the Bears included senior Ryley Tarnowski at three singles and junior Mia Spiteri and senior Scotlynn Vaughn at three doubles. Junior Ava Ball was second at two singles and senior Madison Rushlow was second at four singles.

“Scoring 14 points was a remarkable number to not only ourselves as players but our coach as well,” Maurino said. “It couldn’t have been done without the words of wisdom from our amazing coach, Joey Loselle. After our team breakfasts at Six Star, he gave a speech that resonated with all of us and encouraged us to play to our full potential.”

Jackie, 17, is the daughter of Yvonne Maurino and Tommy Sabourin. She also nets a 4.07 GPA in the classroom. And she started playing tennis only three years ago.

“The thing I loved most about tennis when I began was the pure enjoyment I had just hitting a ball with a racket,” she said. “There’s just something so satisfying about hitting a good shot and the adrenaline rush you get during a point. Now, I practice about five-to-six days a week during the season, and about three-to-four days in the off season. I occasionally play in summer tournaments for fun and to meet new people.”

Maurino played four singles as a freshman and moved up to two singles last year as a sophomore, when she racked up an 18-4 record and earned All-League honors. This season, she took a 20-5 record at one singles into the state finals.

She has already begun drawing up her future – which may or may not include tennis.

“After high school, I plan to attend college for a master’s degree in architecture,” she said. “I have not yet decided if I will continue playing tennis in college but I am considering it.”

She also has one more season with the Bears to either win or learn.

**UPDATE:** At the Division 2 State Finals in Midland on June 2, Maurino lost her opening-round match to Midland’s Riley Penwell 6-2, 6-4. The state finals were ultimately won by Birmingham Seaholm.





# LIST OF INSURANCE PLANNING MISTAKES – AND HOW TO FIX THEM

By: Gerald M. Morello, Jr., Esq.  
MORELLO LAW GROUP, P.C.

While acknowledging David Letterman as the master of the Top Ten List, the following is my own Top Ten List of insurance planning mistakes and how to fix them:

- **NAMING YOUR ESTATE AS BENEFICIARY**

If you name your estate as the beneficiary, the probate court is involved, guaranteeing a time-consuming, public and expensive process. Consider establishing a Revocable Trust and naming the Trust as the primary beneficiary for probate avoidance, privacy, simplicity and potential tax savings.

- **NAMING AN EX-SPOUSE AS BENEFICIARY**

While an obvious mistake, old insurance policies often designate an ex-spouse or other person that no longer has a relationship with the policy owner. In order to rectify this, a review of your current beneficiary arrangement is important. Consider establishing a Trust and maintaining your Trust beneficiaries in a manner that reflects your current wishes.

- **NAMING A MINOR CHILD AS BENEFICIARY**

If you name a minor child (under age 18) as a beneficiary, the insurance company will require a conservator appointed to process the claim and receive the death benefit. A conservatorship is a probate court process that is public, costly and time consuming. There will be annual work (and expense) until your beneficiary attains age 18. Upon attaining age 18, your now adult beneficiary receives the money and is free to spend it as he sees fit. Consider a Trust to receive the death benefit and design appropriate payout provisions. Your Successor Trustee would supervise distributions of the insurance proceeds to your beneficiary for education and health needs and distribute the balance to your beneficiary at age 30 (for example).

- **NAMING A “DISABLED PERSON” AS BENEFICIARY**

This error could jeopardize government benefits available for your beneficiary. Instead, provide the insurance proceeds to your Trust with appropriate provisions to maintain government benefits for your beneficiary.

- **OWNING A POLICY ON AN ADULT CHILD**

If you own a policy, and someone else is the insured, and you die first, the insurance policy must go through probate to have a new owner on the policy. Consider either transferring the ownership to the adult child, or in the alternative, transfer the ownership of the policy to your Trust.

- **OWNING A LARGE LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IN YOUR OWN NAME**

The death benefit on an insurance policy owned by you will be counted in your gross estate for Federal Estate Tax purposes. If you do not own the policy, then the death benefit is not included in your taxable estate. If necessary, establish an Insurance Trust to own the policy and distribute the proceeds to your heirs at death completely tax free.



Gerald M. Morello, Jr.

- **CASHING IN A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY WHEN YOU ARE UNINSURABLE**

The rule is that you do not cash in a life insurance policy if you cannot get insurance. This simply benefits the insurance company and hurts your family.

- **CASHING IN A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY WITHOUT CONSIDERING THE TAX CONSEQUENCES**

If you cash in a life insurance policy, any gain on the cash value of the policy will be taxed as income to you upon receipt. Consider transferring the cash value into a more cost-effective insurance policy or an annuity.

- **SURRENDERING A LARGE POLICY WITHOUT CHECKING THE LIFE SETTLEMENT MARKET**

Traditionally, a policy owner could only surrender the policy if he no longer wanted to maintain it. Now, if the policy is large enough, a private market exists where a third party might purchase the life insurance policy for a far greater amount than the surrender value. This creates substantial opportunity if you no longer wish to maintain your current insurance program.

- **FAILING TO REVIEW YOUR LIFE INSURANCE POLICY ON A REGULAR BASIS**

Life insurance plays a critical part in your financial and estate planning. Your current life insurance program should reflect your current needs and goals. Review your life insurance regularly with your financial planner and estate planning attorney to accomplish your goals in the most cost-effective and tax efficient manner.

If you would like further information please contact Gerald M. Morello, Jr., Esq. at 734-281-6464 or [morello@morellolawgroup.com](mailto:morello@morellolawgroup.com).



# Wyandotte and AROUND

## July - October

### JULY

#### July 4

##### Independence Day Parade

10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte  
*Celebrate with the 4th of July parade and see floats and fun for all. For more information, visit [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net).*

#### July 12-15

##### Wyandotte Street Art Fair

10 a.m.-9 p.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte  
*Enjoy one of the largest street art fairs in Michigan, including vendors, food, and entertainment for all ages. Visit [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net) for more information.*

### AUGUST

#### August 19

##### 19th Annual Wyandotte Wine Crawl

6-11 p.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte  
*Sample a variety of wines, seltzers and food while enjoying live music, games and vendor booths. The event spans four blocks and will have over 100 wines to choose from. For more information, visit [www.360eventproductions.com](http://www.360eventproductions.com).*

### August 26

##### Wyandotte Stars Home Classic

1 p.m.  
Memorial Field  
23rd Street and Pennsylvania  
*Come support Wyandotte's vintage baseball team in the 2023 Home Classic. For more information, visit the Wyandotte Museums Facebook page.*

### SEPTEMBER

#### September 8-10

##### Fall Citywide Garage Sale

*Save the dates to participate in the citywide garage sale. For more information, visit [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net).*

#### September 11

##### Beautification Awards Presentations

6 p.m.  
Wyandotte Beautification Commission  
3200 Biddle Avenue  
*Join us as we honor those who have helped make the community shine!*

### September 15

##### Wyandotte Beer Festival

6 p.m.-12 a.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte - Riverfront Parking Lot  
*Downriver's biggest beer festival will feature samples of craft beer from Michigan and around the country. In addition to beer, there will be live music and entertainment, food, vendors and games for all. For more information, visit [www.wyandottebeerfest.com](http://www.wyandottebeerfest.com).*

### September 21-24

##### Fire and Flannel Festival

Thursday: 5-10 p.m., Friday: 5-11 p.m., Saturday: 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Sunday: 12-6 p.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte  
*This event is fun for the whole family with lumberjack shows, a carnival, axe throwing, fire performers, glass blowing, live chainsaw carvings, fire pits with s'more making, food, vendors and more. Everyone is encouraged to wear flannel. For more information, visit the Fire & Flannel Festival Facebook page. [www.360eventproductions.com](http://www.360eventproductions.com)*

### OCTOBER

#### October 7

##### Tacos, Hops & Tequila Festival

3-8 p.m.  
Downtown Wyandotte  
*Enjoy street tacos from local food trucks and restaurants and sample different types of tequila and local craft beers, ciders and seltzers. For more information, visit [www.360eventproductions.com](http://www.360eventproductions.com)*

#### October 13-14

##### Historic Cemetery Walk

Wyandotte Museums  
*Save the dates for this year's guided cemetery walk to uncover the past and learn about Wyandotte's history. The tour will end with light refreshments. For more information, visit [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net).*

### October 20

##### Hallowe'en Open House

Ford-MacNichol Home  
2610 Biddle Avenue  
*Save the date for the annual open house, free to the public. The house will be decorated with Victorian festive decorations, carved jack-o'-lanterns and display the fun of an Edwardian Hallowe'en. For more information, visit [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net).*

### October 21

##### Fall Clean Up

9 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Wyandotte Beautification Commission  
The corner of 1st and Elm  
*Volunteers are needed. No experience required. We provide limited tools and refreshments.*



### October 28

##### '80s vs '90s Halloween Party and Pub Crawl

6-11 p.m.  
District 142  
142 Maple Street  
*Guests are encouraged to dress up in '80s or '90s gear for a throwback party with live music, a '90s DJ, costume contests and more. For more information, visit [www.360eventproductions.com](http://www.360eventproductions.com).*

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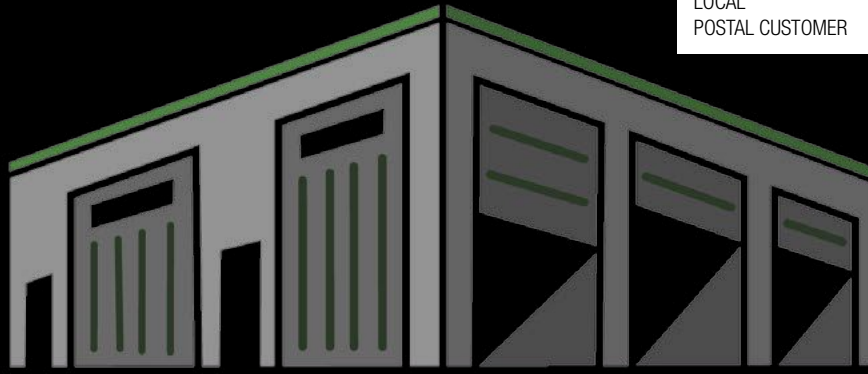
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