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Census Update

The Kresge Foundation, headquartered on Big Beaver in Troy, says it's relieved that a plan to add a citizenship question to the 2020 Census is no longer being considered.

"The foundation remains steadfast in its commitment to a fair and accurate count and strongly supports efforts to boost participation and inclusion in the 2020 Census," according to a press release.

Last April, Kresge signed onto an amicus brief urging the U.S. Supreme Court to reject the inclusion of a citizenship question on the grounds that it would result in a severe undercount of hard-to-count populations such as Black, Latino, Asian, elderly, and low-income communities.

In Kresge Vice President Ariel Simon's response to the Supreme Court ruling, he said, "We remain concerned about the significant fear and suspicion that the proposed question has created in communities around the country."

Save the Date: 43rd Annual Boys and Girls Club Golf Classic

Join the Boys & Girls Club of Troy on Monday, August 19 at 10:30 a.m. for a day full of golfing, food, and good company.

The day includes lunch and an awards dinner. Spots are limited, so early registration is recommended. To learn more, visit Bgctroy.org or call 248-689-1687.



THE TROY TRAFFIC JAM annual classic car show is likely the only traffic jam you'll want to be a part of each year. Car enthusiasts gather at the KIRCO Columbia Center to swap stories and admire some of Troy's most unique vehicles. This year's Traffic Jam is Sunday, August 4.

Troy Traffic Jam Supports Historical Society

Classic cars are beginning to appear on our roads now that the weather has finally turned sunny. Perhaps you've noticed collectors gathering in parking lots to talk about their vehicles. If you want to learn more about the heritage of these beautiful vehicles, and talk to the owners about how much fun they are to own and drive, Troy has a car show you won't want to miss.

The Troy Historic Village 12th annual Troy Traffic Jam will take

place on Sunday, August 4, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the KIRCO Columbia Center at Big Beaver Rd. and Livernois. Parking for the event is free and so is admission. Don't forget your camera—Troy's premier car show features all the chrome and muscle that car enthusiasts love, with nearly 300 vehicles anticipated to be on display.

"The excitement continues to build for the Troy Traffic Jam from year to year because there is truly

something for everyone. From the classic cars to the entertainment and activities for our youth, this is an event that everyone in the family can look forward to," KIRCO Chairman Alan Kiriluk said.

The Troy Traffic Jam features high profile vehicles that have drawn the attention of car enthusiasts and media alike. Last year's specialty vehicles included a 2017 MTT 420RR jet engine-powered motorcycle (the same

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Troy Police Arrest Suspects in Fatal Hit and Run Crash

Troy police officers have arrested two suspects in connection with the fatal hit and run crash that killed 48-year-old JV Binkley of Ann Arbor on Friday, May 24, in the north parking lot of 500 Kirts, Troy. The married father of two was beginning his vending delivery route when he was struck while exiting the building.

Anthony Rene Griffin, 41, of Detroit, was arraigned on Friday, June 28, at the 52-4 District Court on charges of Felony Murder and Fail to Stop at the Scene of an Accident Causing Death. Griffin was denied bond.

Jerry Burton, 37, of Detroit, was arraigned on a charge of Felony Murder. Burton was Griffin's accomplice and the passenger in the vehicle. Burton was denied bond.

Officers believe that the suspects were preparing to steal from Binkley's truck when he was struck and killed. After hitting Binkley, the suspects fled the scene.

Initially, officers had very few leads. Dogged investigation over the last month, including an extensive review of surveillance video and other evidence, led to the identification of the Griffin and Burton.

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Event takes place at Boulan Park, Crooks Road, between Big Beaver & Wattles

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July 25: Mainstream Drive & Incredibles 2

August 8: Tom Butwin: Brushes with Broadway

August 22: Thornetta Davis

Meet Troy's Resident Owls at the Nature Center

Visit the Stage Nature Center for an up-close look at five rehabilitated owls that call the center home. Learn more about the owl species and explore their different personalities.

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For Once, A Traffic Jam You'll Want To Be In

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motorcycle owned by car enthusiast Jay Leno), a 1930s fully-restored rare luxury Duesenberg J-582, and three famous Transformer vehicles that were used in the films. The 2019 Traffic Jam will feature more exciting and rare vehicles, which will be announced in the upcoming weeks as they are unveiled.

Youth education will be a major part of the car show again this year.

The Kiwanis Kids' Zone-Fuels Education tent will showcase fun, hands-on activities that will demonstrate how the Troy Traffic Jam fuels learning for kids of all ages at Troy Historic Village. The

Kid Zone will also showcase two vintage cars that kids can climb into and child safety tips for parents. There will also be a kids' scavenger hunt.

"We'll also feature some of the great education programs our Traffic Jam sponsors and exhibitors support, including field trips where learning is memorable and fun, outreach programs that bring history to classrooms as well as senior centers, and year-round workshops and events for families and Vintage Villagers" Troy Historic Village Executive Director Loraine Campbell said.

Need some fuel after all the fun? There will be plenty of great food and beverages from area

restaurants and a AAA Ice Cream Cart. Music, presented by DJ Bill Young from Young's Entertainment, will also keep attendees energized.

People interested in displaying vehicles are welcome to register at TroyTrafficJam.com. The pre-registration entry fee is \$20 per car. Day-of-show registration is \$25. All registration fees for the Troy Traffic Jam are tax-deductible and support the Troy Historic Village. To learn more about Troy Traffic Jam, including how to become a sponsor or a volunteer, go to TroyTrafficJam.com or call 248-524-3570.

Rep. Stevens Leads Science Committee Roundtable on Auditing for Federal Cybersecurity

U.S. Rep. Haley Stevens, who represents Michigan's 11th District, recently led a roundtable discussion to examine the role and value of cybersecurity

auditing in strengthening the cybersecurity of federal agencies. Stevens is chair of the House Science Subcommittee on Research and Technology.

A recent report for the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Senate Homeland Security Committee warned that several federal agencies are relying on outdated systems. Many are failing to implement mandatory cybersecurity measures, neglecting to properly keep track of vulnerable hardware, and ignoring well-known threats and weaknesses.

During the roundtable discussion, cybersecurity experts from the public and private sector joined members of the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology to identify challenges and opportunities for strengthening cybersecurity audits to protect personal data and public safety in the Federal government.



U.S. REP. HALEY STEVENS (right), whose 11th District includes Troy, recently led a cybersecurity roundtable in Washington.



FATHER AND SON DUO Dick Powell and David Powell have joined Ameriprise Financial Services. Dick will serve as a managing director and associate manager of the firm's Troy office, and David as a financial advisor. You can contact David at 248-925-4427 or visit their office at 101 W Big Beaver Rd, Ste 425. Pictured above, (left to right) Chris Ohlert, Dick Powell, David Powell, and Angie Rayner.

Help Make Everyone Count

The Constitution mandates that the United States counts its population every 10 years. The data gathered has a huge impact on our communities. Not only does it determine how people are represented in the U.S. House of Representatives, but it is also used to decide how more than \$675 billion from over 100 federally funded programs is distributed. That information influences choices about which roads are fixed, where schools are

built, what medical services are provided, and what businesses are opened.

Next year is a census year. By working for the Census Bureau, people can help make sure this essential data is gathered and everyone is counted.

The jobs are only for the 2020 year, and AARP says they're perfect for many seniors. Go to 2020census.trove/en/jobs/ and explore the available jobs.



STATE REPRESENTATIVE and Troy Historical Society President Padma Kuppa met with constituents for the opening of Visitor Experience Month on Monday, July 1, at Troy Historic Village. Kuppa also got to see the newly renovated Main Lobby and congratulated the construction crew on a job well done.

45th Annual Garden Walk Celebrates Art and Nature

Troy Garden Club's 45th annual garden walk, "Between Art and Nature," takes place this Wednesday, July 10, from 9:30 a.m.- 3 p.m. and 5-8:30 p.m. The walk will take place rain or shine.

Event participants can view seven private gardens at five different locations throughout the city. Tickets are being sold in advance at Auburn Oaks Garden Center, Telly's Greenhouse, Troy Historic Village, and Uncle Luke's. Advance tickets cost \$10. On the day of the event, tickets will be \$15 and only sold at the Troy Historic Village.

As part of the garden walk, everyone can visit the Troy Historic Village for an arts and

crafts boutique, plant sale, and a student art exhibit. Garden walk activities at the village are free admission. The hours are 9 a.m.- 6 p.m.

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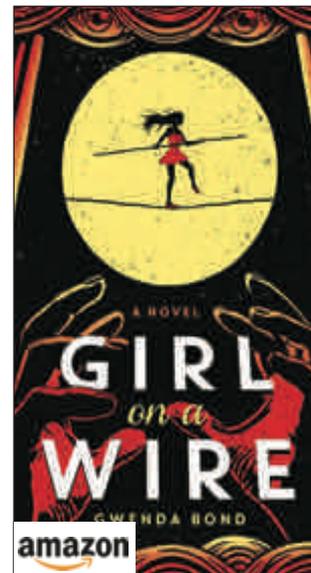
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Music

Joint Effort Thursday, July 11, 8 p.m. Sedona Taphouse, Troy

Sam Bush Friday, July 12, 8 p.m. Otus Supply, Ferndale

We Were Promised Jetpacks Friday, July 12, 8 p.m. The Loving Touch, Ferndale

The Raconteurs Friday, July 12-13, 8 p.m. Masonic Temple, Detroit

Three Dog Night Saturday, July 13, 6 p.m. Meadow Brook Theatre, Rochester

Carly Rae Jepsen Saturday, July 13, 7 p.m. The Fillmore, Detroit

SpaceCat Saturday, July 13, 10 p.m. Rochester Mills Beer Co.

The Music of Queen featuring The Detroit Symphony Orchestra Sunday, July 14, 7:30 p.m. Meadow Brook Amphitheatre, Rochester Hills

ON STAGE

Improv Open Mic Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Ghost Light, Hamtramck

Musical Theater Camp Monday, July 8, 9 a.m. 2nd Street Studio of Dance, Rochester Hills

Hollywood Arms (Auditions) Sunday, July 14, 6:30 p.m. Ridgedale Players, Troy

Comedy of Errors Thursday, July 18, 8 p.m. Rochester College Theatre

AROUND TOWN

Summer Outdoor Yoga Series Tuesday, July 9, 7 p.m. Troy Historic Village

Trivia & Brews: Stranger Things Wednesday, July 10, 7 p.m. Granite City Food & Brewery, Troy

Annual Potluck Picnic & GMM Wednesday, July 10, 7 p.m. Firefighters Park, Troy

Southeast Chapter Luncheon on Marijuana Lending Thursday, July 11, 11:30 a.m. Maggiano's, Troy

Troy Farmers Market Friday, July 12, 2 p.m. Troy Public Library Parking Lot off Big Beaver & Civic Center Roads

Owl Tours Friday, July 12, 6 p.m. Stage Nature Center, Troy

Family Nights Saturday, Jul 13, 5 p.m. Troy Family Aquatic Center

Constitution Cafe - More on Declaration of Independence Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m. Troy Historic Village

LIBRARY

All events take place at the Troy Public Library, 510 W Big Beaver Rd, unless stated otherwise. To register, visit Troypl.org

Stories of the Wicked Women of Detroit Monday, July 8, 7 p.m.

The Story of Michigan Wildlife Tuesday, July 9, 7 p.m.

Drop-In Conversions Thursday, July 11, 2 p.m.

The Story of Eastern Market Tuesday, July 23, 7 p.m.

The Story of the Blues Saturday, July 27, 1 p.m.

KIDS & TEENS

All events take place at the Troy Public Library, unless stated otherwise.

Galaxy Stones Tuesday, July 9, 7 p.m. - Children 7-13 can paint their own unique galaxy stones

Girl Scout Journeys Wednesday, July 10, 9 a.m. Stage Nature Center, Troy

Young Adult Writers Program Wednesday, July 10, 2:30 p.m.

Teen Origami Night Wednesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.

To The Moon and Beyond Thursday, July 11, 7 p.m. - Children 5+ can make their own space ships and astronauts

Wiggle and Giggle Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. Dance along with your little one to some Mother Goose rhymes and songs

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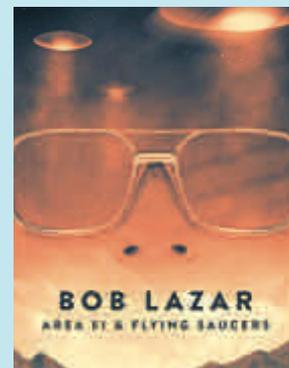
Lyle Lovett Thursday, July 25, Royal Oak Music Theatre

Bad Religion Wednesday, August 7, Royal Oak Music Theatre

The Rocket Summer Friday, October 4, The Loving Touch, Ferndale

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BOB LAZAR: AREA 51 & FLYING SAUCERS

This documentary (available on Netflix) provides no physical proof of aliens having visited our planet. Rather, it tells the story of Bob Lazar, a scientific researcher who made headlines in 1989 when he told the public that he had been employed by the government to reverse-engineer technology recovered from alien spacecraft. Lazar, who claims to have worked at Area 51, now lives a quiet life in Lansingburgh, Michigan. If nothing else, the film is well-produced and dives deep into the topic of intelligent alien life.

—Andrew Neal, Editor

Troy Artist Among Winners in Michigan Fine Arts Competition

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center announced the winners of its 2019 Michigan Fine Arts Competition. Among the winners were artist Nan Cowan of Troy, who won the \$750 award for her piece, "Nebula."

This year marks the 38th annual juried regional art contest, which receives submissions from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin. The competitions honored 13 winning submissions with cash and material prizes totaling \$6,500.

"The Michigan Fine Arts Competition always reflects truly contemporary work because it has to have been created in the

last 18 months," Annie VanGelderren, BBAC President and CEO said in a press release. "I am again impressed by the high quality of the art, regardless of medium or theme. This exhibition puts an exclamation point for talent in the Great Lake region."

The 2019 Michigan Fine Art Competition is on display now at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center and features 80 work of art by 66 artists. It will be on display through August 22 and is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. All art center exhibits are free and open to the public. To learn more, visit bbartcenter.org/.

Summer Concerts Are Back



"We appreciate the support of our concert series sponsor, Beaumont Hospital, and invite everyone to come out for some fantastic music this summer."

The Back Beats are a Beatles tribute band that will transport music lovers on a "magical mystery tour" of yesteryear. The band uses authentic instruments, clothing, and hairstyles to replicate the heyday of Beatlemania. All ages are welcome to attend the concert. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on and relax with friends. Food trucks will be available starting at 5:30 p.m. The concert runs from 6:30- 8:30 p.m. To see the full summer concert series lineup, visit troychamber.com/events/summer-sensation-concert-movie/.

The Troy Summer Sensation Concert Series continues in Boulan Park with The Back Beats on Thursday, July 11.

"We are so excited to bring back the Troy Summer Concert Series and July Movies at Dusk at Boulan Park again this summer," Community Affairs Director Cindy Stewart said in a press release.

Family Game Night Pop-Up Party

Rainbow Preschool at the Troy Community Center is hosting a family party on Thursday, July 11, from 5-7 p.m. Families with kids ages 3-7 are invited to visit preschool classrooms for the chance to play and explore. The pop-up party will feature games, pizza, and a craft. Parents must stay with their children for the

duration of the event.

Tickets for residents cost \$15 for parents and one child. The cost for non-residents is \$17. Tickets for additional children cost \$5 for residents and \$7 for non-residents. People interested in attending should register at rec.troymi.gov/calendar or call 248-524-3484.

Learn About the History of Corktown

Learn about Detroit's oldest neighborhood at this month's Thursday Tea at Two at the Troy Historic Village.

Author and art history expert Suzanne Bilek will present the history of Corktown's historic homes, neighborhood institutions, Irish heritage, and its relation to Ford Motor Company. Bilek will also discuss the artists living and working in the area.

This event will be held in the Old Troy Church. Tickets cost \$7 for Troy Historical Society members and \$8 for non-members. To register, call 248-524-3570. Space is limited, so those interested in attending should register in advance.

Troy Historic Village is at 60 W. Wattles Rd. Thursday Tea at Two will be held on July 25 from 2-3 p.m.

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Lau, Stallard of TPS Logistics Named Entrepreneur of the Year

TPS Logistics, a Troy-based third-party logistics management company that improves clarity and reduces redundancies on global supply chains, announced that two members of its executive team, Jeff Lau and Parker Stallard, were named Entrepreneur of the Year 2019 winners in Michigan and Northwestern Ohio. The award by EY recognizes entrepreneurs who are excelling in areas such as innovation, financial performance, and personal commitment to their businesses and communities, while also transforming the world.

"There are many outstanding entrepreneurs in the region, so we are both honored to be named Entrepreneur of the Year and recognized for our innovative approach to supply chain management," said Lau, CEO of TPS Logistics. "We strive to bring growth to our company and prosperity to our region through technology-driven solutions to ease the supply chain burden on our local, national and international clients."

Since 1986, EY has honored entrepreneurs whose ingenuity, spirit of innovation, and discipline has driven their companies'

success, transformed their industries, and made a positive impact on their communities. Now in its 33rd year, the program has honored the inspirational leadership of such entrepreneurs as Howard Schultz of Starbucks and Pierre Omiduar of eBay, Inc.

bright minds who are doing meaningful work across the region."

Lau and Stallard were selected by an independent panel of judges, and the award was presented at a gala event on June 18 in Detroit. As Michigan and



"For the past 25 years, TPS Logistics has focused on cultivating meaningful relationships and challenging our industry's status quo to better serve as thought leaders in our market, problem solvers for our clients, and leaders in our local community," said Stallard, Vice President of TPS Logistics. "It's gratifying to be rewarded for those practices alongside so many

Northwest Ohio award winners, Lau and Stallard are now eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur of the Year 2019 National Awards. Honorees in several national categories, as well as the Entrepreneur of the Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced at a gala in Palm Springs, California, on November 16.



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Leaving the scene of an accident is a crime and you may not like what charges the prosecutor brings. Officers initiated a traffic stop at Big Beaver and Dequindre on the driver of a black 2006 Jeep Grand Cherokee who was traveling on three wheels as the front driver's side tire was missing and the vehicle was being driven on its rim. The officers spoke with the driver, a 37-year-old man from Sterling Heights, and noted an odor of alcohol when he spoke. The driver consented to being searched and admitted there was a pocket knife in his right front pocket. The officers found a sheath containing a set of double edge knives along with his pocket knife. When asked, he admitted to being involved in a traffic accident in which he hit a pole in the area of W. Big Beaver Road and Crooks Road. It was determined that the driver was involved in a traffic crash when he struck another vehicle and left without providing his information. He was asked to perform several sobriety evaluations, which he did but the officers noted that he performed poorly. He submitted to a Preliminary Breath Test with a result of .19% – twice the legal limit. He was arrested and charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, and Failing to Report an Accident.

■ **NOT A HAPPY ENDING TO HIS BIRTHDAY** – An officer initiated a traffic stop at Rochester and Square Lake on the driver of a black 2014 Chevrolet Camaro for a traffic violation. It was 3:15 a.m. The officer spoke with the driver, a 26-year-old man from Troy, and noted an odor of alcohol coming from him as he spoke. When asked, he admitted to consuming one drink that contained alcohol while out celebrating his birthday with friends. He was asked to perform several sobriety evaluations which he did, but the officer noted that he performed poorly. He submitted to a Preliminary Breath Test with a result of .124%. He was arrested and charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol – 1st Offense.

■ **LATE NIGHT DENIAL** – It was 3:30 a.m. when this officer initiated a traffic stop on the driver of a maroon 2018 Kia Forte for a traffic violation at Big Beaver and John R. The officer spoke with the driver, a 33-year-old woman from Auburn Hills, who denied consuming any alcohol. She was asked to perform several sobriety evaluations, but the officer noted that she performed poorly. She refused to submit to a Preliminary Breath Test and was arrested. While searching her vehicle, a plastic cup was found in the center console that contained approximately 4 ounces of alcohol. She was transported to the Troy Lock-up Facility where she was read her Chemical Test Rights and she agreed to take a Breath Test with a result of .19%. She was charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol – 1st Offense, and Transporting an Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle.

■ **HE HASN'T LEARNED HIS LESSON YET** – Officers were alerted to a driver of a silver 2012 Chevrolet Impala who was driving erratically. The officers attempted to initiate a traffic stop on westbound W. Maple Road, west of Crooks Road but the vehicle would not stop. The officers noted the vehicle was being driven erratically and attempted to box the vehicle in with their patrol cars but the driver evaded the maneuver and accelerated away quickly. The vehicle was traveling

on northbound Crooks Road and drove through a red traffic signal at W. Big Beaver Road. Officers were able to successfully stop the car on Crooks near the entrance to the Washington Square subdivision. The driver was ordered out of the vehicle but refused to comply. An officer's baton was used to shatter the driver's door window. The driver, later identified as a 31-year-old man, was removed from the vehicle and arrested. The officers noted an odor of alcohol emanating from the driver and when asked, he admitted to consuming alcohol earlier. He submitted to a Preliminary Breath Test with a result of .171%. He was read his Chemical Test Rights and he agreed to take a Blood Test. His blood was drawn by medical personnel. It was determined that his State of Michigan Operator's License was 'Suspended' twelve times with two prior convictions of Driving While License Suspended. He was charged with Fleeing and Eluding a Police Officer, Driving While License Suspended – 2nd or Subsequent Offense, Resisting a Police Officer, and Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol pending laboratory results.

Note: If you have any information on the crimes above, call the Troy Police Department at 248-524-3477. If you wish to remain anonymous, you may call 524-0777.

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Tips To Help Alleviate Caregiving Stress

(NAPSI) While family caregiving can be rewarding, it can make life more stressful for those providing the care.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, this type of stress affects women more than men. Women caregivers tend to offer more assistance, such as managing physical needs.

Three out of four caregivers, men and women, report feeling strained emotionally, physically or financially.

The stress involved can be worse for caregivers of the elderly, as it is hard to watch a parent lose cognitive abilities.

It's not unusual for caregivers to develop health problems of their own. Part of the reason is that they are less likely to take good care of themselves due to time and money constraints imposed by caregiving. Caregivers may not have the time for regular checkups, may not fill a prescription due to cost, miss sleep or forget to eat healthy meals.

It's very important for caregivers to recognize their own limits. Find out about caregiving resources in your community. Don't do it alone. Ask for and accept help. Ask family members to do their share.

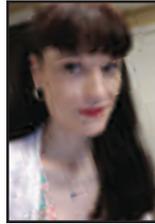
Simplify your life and reduce other sources of stress. Make "to do" lists. Stay in touch with family and friends, and consider joining a support group.

Make time to get away and have fun. Consider home care support services.

It's not unusual for caregivers to develop health problems of their own. They are less likely to make time to take good care of themselves.

A home care professional can coordinate a patient's plan of care under the direction of his or her doctor. A wide range of treatments and procedures that were once performed in a hospital can now be delivered at home. Trained clinicians teach individuals and their families self-management for chronic conditions or help with recovery from an illness or injury.

Internet Culture for Seniors (or How to Talk to Your Grandkids)



by
AMY FORTUNE

It is a mistake to assume that all seniors are unfamiliar with the internet. In fact, many seniors have embraced the many resources offered by the internet. They use email to communicate, shop online, play games, use social media platforms to connect with friends and family members, and much more. However, not all seniors are comfortable with computers or internet savvy. And these individuals may find it difficult to relate to their children and especially their grandchildren, who were born into an Internet-dominated world.

Internet 101: A Few Things to Know and a Few Places to Enjoy
When exploring the internet,

stay on secure sites with addresses (or URLs) that start with "https" to avoid having your information stolen. It is also a good idea to avoid strange links that may pop up. Yet, with these things in mind, the internet can be a fun place to explore. And if you are familiar with a few of the more popular spots on the internet, it will give you more common ground to share with your children and grandchildren.



YouTube
Both kids and adults love

YouTube videos, and this one site offers a wide variety of channels. On YouTube, you can find movies, television shows, music videos, funny animal videos, tutorial and informational videos, and much, much more. And many children go to YouTube to check out cartoons, videos showing other children testing toys, and learning videos. Popular channels for kids include Rainbow Learning and Kid City.

Retail Sites

Although you must stay vigilant, shopping on the internet is a convenient way to find everyday items and hard-to-find things that may not be available at your local store – which makes this resource ideal when you are looking for a particular toy around the holidays are for birthdays. In addition, if you have items lying around that you no longer want, you can easily sell them on sites like eBay and Amazon Market Place. Or, if you are a crafter, you can sell your homemade wares on sites like Etsy.

Music

Find the music you love for free or small fees at sites like YouTube, Spotify, and Pandora. These services make it easy to have access to all types of music without having to fill up space in your home with CDs, tapes, or records.

Social Media

You may already be familiar with sites like Facebook, a platform that allows users to share photos, links from around the internet, memes (those pictures with funny phrases or sayings), stories, thoughts, and more. And Twitter is a faster moving platform that limits the characters you can use and is an ideal site for following your favorite celebrities. Instagram and Snapchat are image-heavy social media platforms favored by younger generations. And Pinterest is a great place to find and share home decorating tips, recipes, gardening ideas, and crafting inspiration.

And, clearly, the internet is vast, so there is much more out there to explore. So, why not ask your grandchildren to show you their favorite places on the internet?

This could be a fun way for you to learn from them, and they will likely be happy and proud to have an opportunity to teach you something for a change.

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Join the informal Troy Senior Tennis League and get served a good time. The league meets Tuesdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m. at Boulan Park. Participants are charged \$1 per session to cover the cost of balls.

To learn more, call Bob Herm at 248-680-1406.

Create a Dinosaur Terrarium at Me and My Grand Garden

Grandparents can spend quality time with their grandkids this summer at the Troy Community Center.

At "Me and My Grand Garden" on Wednesday, July 24, seniors can create a dinosaur mason jar terrarium with their grandkids, ages 3-6. The event is geared toward grandparents and grandkids, but parents, aunts, uncles, or friends are also welcome. The cost per child is \$3 for residents and \$5 for non-residents. Register online at rec.troy.mi.gov for activity 8500-F. Those interested in attending must register by July 17.

To learn more, call the Troy Community Center at 248-524-3484.

Volunteers Needed

Friends of Troy Seniors is seeking volunteers for upcoming events in Troy.

Volunteers are needed for Beatles & BBQ on Thursday, July 18. The event is at the Troy Community Center from 7-8:30 p.m.

Finally, Friends of Troy Seniors is seeking volunteers to shuttle Troy Family Daze attendees between parking lots on Town Center Drive and the front gates of the festival. Troy Family Daze is September 12- September 15.

To learn more or to sign up to volunteer at these events, visit the Friends of Troy Seniors Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m., at the Troy Community Center. You can also contact Friends of Troy Seniors by call 248-526-2608.

Savvy Seniors

Each month, the Rochester OPC Senior Center and Comfort Keepers hosts Savvy Seniors, an hour long presentation and discussion designed to enlighten and enrich the lives of older people.

This month's session will be held on Wednesday, July 17, at 10 a.m. Savvy Seniors is free and open to the public.

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The Importance of Keeping Your Ears Safe and Sound

(NAPSI) While being active outdoors, even in cold weather, can be both fun and healthful, it's important to protect your body. For example, ears are particularly sensitive especially because they tend to be exposed to the elements—but there are ways you can protect them.

Rough weather, particularly cold conditions, can present challenges. Ears cool down very quickly because they have no protective fat tissue. The nerves in the ear canal run unprotected under the skin and may react with a strong pain impulse to changing temperatures. The risk of infection in the ears increases in cold conditions, as less blood is circulated. Cold and wind can irritate the ear canal, which often causes pain, while water in the ears can cause inflammation. Also, a cold head may cause cramped

muscles in the neck region, which can lead to ear problems like tinnitus.

People with hearing instruments should be aware that cold conditions can cause the battery to run out faster. In addition, condensation can occur inside the hearing instrument, causing an electronics failure.

Keep your ears warm by wearing a hat, headband, earmuffs or a good ski helmet. Don't put cotton wool in your ears to protect them from the wind. This can actually cause inflammation in the ear canal. Dry your ear canal as well as possible after showering, swimming or using a sauna.

Whether you use a hearing instrument or not, it's a good idea to protect your ears from damp and cold weather.

Don't neglect an ear infection.

See your physician or an ENT specialist. Left untreated, an infection can get worse and cause serious damage.

Stick to a healthy diet and do plenty of exercises to stimulate blood circulation to your ears.

Don't use hot water to warm up cold ears. Gently massage them instead.

Tips For Hearing Instrument Users

Always have spare batteries available. If batteries get cold, you can warm them for five minutes in your closed hand or in a pocket; do NOT use a lighter. Never put hearing instruments on a heater. Special drying containers, available from hearing care professionals, can prevent damage caused by condensation. Water-resistant hearing instruments are less susceptible to damage from condensation.

Know the Facts Before You Claim Your Benefits

One of the most important retirement-related decisions a person will make is when to claim Social Security benefits. It is a complex, personal decision that is influenced by many factors such as one's health, work status, marital status and standard of living.

Changes in the retirement security landscape have only added to the importance of the claiming decision. With the shift from traditional employer-managed pension plans to employee-managed set-aside plans, individuals bear more responsibility for ensuring their own financial security in retirement.

Research shows that many older people are concerned about retirement because they do not feel prepared. The Government Accountability Office has noted that the prospect of outliving their resources is weighing on many retirees. It notes that experts recommend delaying Social Security benefits as a strategy for

increasing retirement income.

In these difficult economic times, however, many people don't wait to claim their Social Security benefits.

For many, Social Security

Security is the one constant in most people's retirement planning.

The longer you wait to claim Social Security benefits, the larger the monthly checks may be.

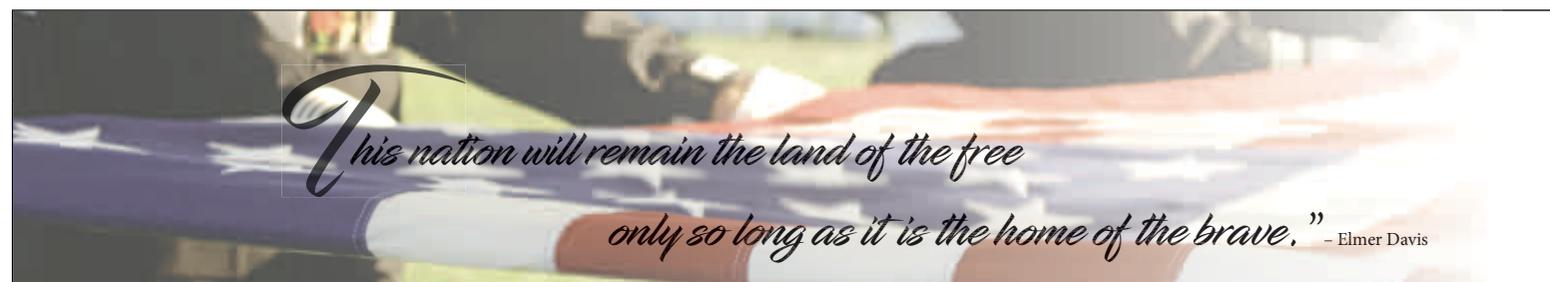


provides a lifeline, something people can count on to help pay the bills. In fact, Social Security is the principal source of family income for nearly half of older Americans. Nearly a quarter rely on it for 90 percent or more of their family income. Social

Timing is key to getting the most out of Social Security benefits. No one age is right for everyone, and while some people simply cannot wait to claim their benefits, many Americans claim early, not realizing what they might gain by waiting.

Fortunately, there are many practical and freely available resources that can help with claiming Social Security and retirement planning in general. One popular resource is AARP's Social Security Benefits Calculator, which can help you assess your circumstances and compare estimated benefit scenarios.

Of course, Social Security is just one piece of the retirement security puzzle. Learn more about the Social Security Benefits Calculator and other retirement-planning tools at Aarp.org/.



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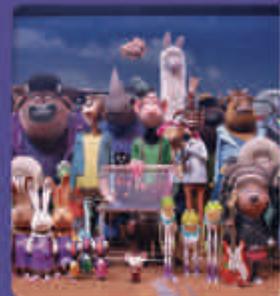
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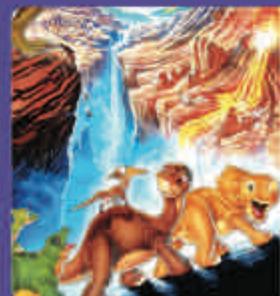
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