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Bridge Beam Setting to Close 14 Mile Road Under I-75

Fourteen Mile Road will be closed under I-75 on Monday, June 10 and Tuesday, June 11 from 9:30 p.m. - 5 a.m. as crews begin setting bridge beams. The area immediately under the bridge will not be accessible. Alternate routes during this time will be Stephenson Highway to Maple Road to John R Road.

Traffic on I-75 will not be impacted by these local road closures. Exits from SB I-75 to WB 14 Mile and from NB I-75 to EB 14 Mile will remain open.

Summer Camps Still Available through Troy Recreation

School is out on Friday. Luckily, there are plenty of ways to keep the kids busy in Troy.

Looking for a summer camp? This summer, the Troy Recreation Department is offering more than 45 day camps for ages 3-18 and there's a camp for nearly every interest. Registration is going on now.

Choose from outdoor adventure camps, science and robotics, music and dance, and more. There's art camps for your little Picasso, and sports camps for your future Steph Curry.

Camps are located throughout the city, and Troy Rec offers programs that fit into every budget and schedule, including half-day, full-day, and before and after care options.

Visit rec.troymi.gov/camps/ for full descriptions of all camps.

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GRADUATION LAST WEDNESDAY from Troy College & Career High School marked the beginning of a new life for students and the end of a long career for their Principal Deb Linford. Pictured above are (front row left to right) Sabrina Baima, Alexandra Nofar, Macey Long, Principal Deb MacDonal Linford, MacKenzie Malinowski, Megan Parker, and Corey McGee and (back row left to right) Sean Hendricks, Max Wilfong, and Jordan Andrews.

Principal "Graduates" With Her Students After Long Career

by SUSAN FLEWELLING
Troy College & Career High School

Walking across the stage one more time, Deb MacDonal Linford "graduated" with the class of 2019 Wednesday, but her commencement is a bit different than her students as they begin college and careers and she moves into retirement.

After 24 years as principal at Troy College & Career High School in the Troy School District and 35 years in education, Linford, founding principal of the nontraditional school (formerly Niles Community High School), officially retires at the end of the month.

"In these 35 years, I have been on a wonderful journey. I never saw it as a job. It is a joy," Linford said. "It isn't just the kids that I have connected with. I have worked with wonderful people in education. This is family, and it is going to be tough leaving. Our school has always had that small, personal, family essence."

Linford said she estimates she keeps in contact with some 500 graduates, mostly through Facebook, and she has seen much growth in the program that she was hired to start in 1994.

"**We increased** our student population during a time when other schools didn't. Open enrollment rapidly grew, and we added new teachers. We have a strong reputation, and many students have sought a Troy diploma. We were also one of the first alternative education programs to encourage dual enrollment which began around 2006 with Baker College and has expanded to our students attending Oakland Community College," she said.

Staff at TCCHS honored Linford at Senior Recognition night recently by establishing a Legacy Scholarship in her name. The first recipient was senior Diamond Marchant.

Having worked with Linford for nearly 20 years, Jeff Rainwater, an English teacher, said he is

appreciative of all he has learned from her.

"I admire Deb's one-on-one

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Conservancy To Preserve 75 Acres of Trees & Wetlands

by CYNTHIA KMETT

At the latest city council meeting on June 3, council approved another Mondrian property development. This one is for 23 lots in cluster zoning on the north side of Square Lake Road. Plus, the company has joined with the Troy School District to preserve 75 acres of the 81-acre parcel as a donation to the Six Rivers Land Conservancy. The two also are donating \$150,000 to set up an endowment fund to take care of the preserved property.

The homes will have a parking lot at the north end of the new subdivision where visitors can park and enjoy the hundreds of trees that will be preserved. Also preserved will be 40 acres of wetland, so hikers might want to consider wearing boots.

This is Mondrian's sixth Troy subdivision in the past couple of years, and for those who want

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IT WAS CAMP DAY 2019 last week at Tim Hortons shops across North America. Owners of the four Tim Hortons locations in Troy, John Mara and his wife Maureen Finnigan, plan to send at least six Troy kids to camp this summer. All the money raised from coffee sales goes to support the campers. John and Maureen posed here with former Red Wings forward turned team scout Kirk Maltby and Troy Police Resource Officer John Julian.

Meadow Brook Hall Has 'Lost Painting' Project

When Meadow Brook Hall opened as a museum in 1971, the public clambered to see its exquisite architecture, original furnishings, and fine decorative arts. But unlike most new museums, it had just lost the most renowned art pieces in its collection.

In free upcoming lectures, curator Madelyn Rzedkowsky as she discusses the Wilson family as art collectors, why some of their collection was dispersed, and how the Lost Painting Project is seeking to restore The Hall to its former glory.

The Lost Painting Project creates replicas of the "lost paintings" of Meadow Brook Hall and conserves the original art. With the fundraiser more than half funded, guests will have the chance to see some of the completed works.

Presentation times are Monday, June 10 at 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday, June 11 at 6 p.m., both taking place in the ballroom. The cost to attend is free and registration is not required. This event is limited to the first 100 guests. Doors open a half hour prior to the start of the lecture.

New Sign Design Postponed by Lackluster Feedback

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one, they all have a ranch model home available.

Council used words like "phenomenal" and "fantastic" to describe this result for the large parcel once owned by the Troy School Board.

It was not good news however for the proposed signs to replace those with the gazebo and buildings, which have been up for over 15 years and are starting to look faded. The city has had a goal since 2014 to get a city branding and marketing plan in play. They want to improve entrances to the city, especially at both ends of Big Beaver.

When the proposed new signage was sent to the city's committee members, their replies were less than enthusiastic. They didn't find the signs inviting or informative; some didn't like the navy blue background and said they don't make Troy seem like an inviting community in which to live or work.

One resident, Cynthia Wilshire, likes the current signs, as she felt they represent Troy's history. She noted that Troy is a traditional city and should have traditional signs.

Another resident thought the ideas were just fine. Some wondered if the entrance signs – 10' x 6' – were a bit large. What about the signs at other intersections designed to look a bit like the flags put up for advertising events and seasons of

the year?

Council talked about this topic for an hour and agreed they really hadn't given the design firm, KMA Design, much direction. Councilwoman Ellen Hodorek said what they were probably all thinking – she was expecting something more sophisticated in a gateway sign. Councilman Dave Henderson reminded them that they would never find a sign everyone liked.

The city did get a contract to put up those new signs and the city, headed by City Manager Mark Miller, wanted to know if council wanted to move ahead with the new design, make changes, or just discontinue the project.

The project is still quite a bit under budget, and it was suggested they have a study session on one of their non-meeting Mondays to see what they have in mind. For the moment, action on new signage was postponed, again.

The next discussion was whether DeLisio should get the contract for local paving again this year, despite the company's involvement with now-jailed former manager Brian Kischnick.

Councilwoman Edna Abraham seemed concerned that the company had helped the FBI because they might have problems somewhere else. However, the FBI never came after DeLisio and the city knew nothing about Kischnick soliciting bribes until DeLisio stepped up and

complained about it by going to the police and the FBI. In addition, Plante Moran – which is doing the forensic audit report – noted in a letter to the city that "their analytic process did not flag any transactions involving the low bidder, DiLisio Contracting, Inc."

They all voted yes on the new contract.

During public comment, one resident came to the microphone and wanted to know why council has not passed any new rules on employees dating each other. In the wake of the Kischnick scandals, she thought this was the action they should take. She said all companies have such rules.

As the meeting moved toward closure, Councilman David Hamilton said he was calling for an investigation into who was at Kischnick's holiday party and why didn't he find a permit for Mayor Dane Slater's driveway. Well, Councilman Henderson wished him luck getting information the FBI wouldn't give the city attorney.

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Judge McGinnis Recognized for Public Service

JUDGE MAUREEN M. MCGINNIS, of the 52-4 District Court which covers Troy and Clawson, is the recipient of the coveted Distinguished Public Service Award presented by the Oakland County Bar Association at their 85th Annual Meeting held at the Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac on June 3. Judge McGinnis was elected to the 52-4 District Court bench in 2014 for a 6-year term.



Longtime Troy Principal Deb Linford Retires

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interaction with the kids. Whenever I have been in her office for a student academic, disciplinary, or attendance issue, I have always learned something from her about working with students," Rainwater said.

Before being hired by the Troy School District to create an alternative education program, Linford said she had been studying to become an elementary school teacher, but working with teenagers while she was an adult enrichment education supervisor in Brandon changed her course.

"I began to develop nontraditional methods to help at-risk students graduate on time and pioneered the 'Choices' alternative education program in Brandon in 1992," she said.

Among the numerous memorable moments Linford said she has appreciated through the years, one of the most profound occurred on the afternoon of September 11, 2001.

"I saw one of our graduates come in at the end of the long hallway of our building. He very quietly hung a flag and walked just as quietly back out of the building. I wondered how long it would remain. One year later, he came back in, and we held a ceremony. That flag is still in our hallway," she said.

That student, Bobby Ruple, was the alumnus keynote speaker for this year's graduation ceremonies.

"Bobby now works for an advertising agency and owns his own company. He is a wonderful humanitarian who engages in community service and gives

back," she said.

Among other notable alumni that Linford will never forget is Pam Heuer from the class of 2001.

"Pam graduated from U of M Flint in education and worked in southern Indiana in the inner-city schools. Forbes magazine named Pam one of the seven most influential educators in the U.S in 2010," Linford said.

Although she is looking forward to traveling with her husband in her retirement, Linford said she still sees herself working with students in some capacity in education. She also said she would like to write a book.

"Down the road, I would like to write about the experiences, interactions, and joys of working with often misunderstood kids and interactions with staff," she said.

Schroeder Second Graders Learn About Commerce

The entrepreneurial spirit is alive and well at Schroeder Elementary School.

Mrs. Bolden's 2nd grade class wrapped up its unit on economics with a class project where the

restaurant and hire each other for positions.

Bolden's Crunch Corner had its grand opening on Wednesday, May 15. All their hard work and planning came together as

Crunch Corner earned to figure out each student's take-home pay.

"Based on our calculations, each student will receive \$8 as their salary for today's activity," Mardi Bolden said.

Who knows? Maybe soon they'll be ready to franchise.



SECOND GRADERS developed their own menu and served guests at Bolden's Crunch Corner last month. From left, Padmaa Varshine Raghu Rajan, Ryan Corpuz, and Rayan Panse serve salad, celery, and pizza bagels.

second graders set up their own restaurant business to better understand how commerce works.

First, they had to determine what kind of food they wanted to serve at their restaurant. Students brought in favorite recipes from home and listed all of the necessary ingredients. Then, they did online research to find the grocery store with the best prices. After branding their restaurant, Bolden's Crunch Corner, the students wrote investment letters to their parents and requested funding through the Troy Foundation for Educational Excellence. Next, supplies and ingredients were purchased. Finally, the kids were ready to open applications for their

students served parents and special guests at their one-day-only restaurant.

The menu offered a variety of options to serve different tastes. Among the selections were sandwiches, chips and cheese, salads, bagels, and sugar cookies.

Student learned important lessons all around. Wait staff discovered that being efficient and cheerful made for happy customers, and the cashiers had to know how to make and count change. Cooking staff learned important lessons about food safety

Parents were delighted to see their students hustling to prepare food and serve customers.

At the end of the day, the class counted up the money Bolden's

Troy Group Bike Rides Meet at Daisy Knight

Summer is here and it's a perfect time to grab your bike and get ready to take a ride on the trails of Troy.

Join the Troy Group Bike Rides on Thursday, June 13, at the

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Troy Historic Village Guide Translated

by CYNTHIA KMETT

Visiting the Troy Historic Village for the first time can be quite a surprise for visitors. It looks pretty old, and not at all like the rest of the city's homes, schools, and businesses. So the Troy Historical Society put together a handy guide to all the buildings with a bit of their history, like when they were built and where they were in the city before they were moved to the Village Green.

"The idea is to take the Village, which is a history of America, and make it relevant to our community," notes Loraine Campbell, executive director of the Troy Historic Village, of the reason for the guide.

But Troy is a very diverse city, and while most of our children will go to the Village on field trips during their school years, there's a good chance some parents and grandparents aren't familiar with all the words in the English language, especially those involving buildings and architecture.

So the Historical Society is translating the Visitors Guide into some of the languages more familiar to adults of a different background. They started with

Spanish because a Troy Spanish teacher thought it was a great idea and stepped up to translate the guide. Plans call for guides in French, Hindi and Telugu, German, Greek, Arabic, and Chinese.

Currently on the agenda is

our language, so English can even be in the middle of a translated sentence. There's nothing in Japanese, for example, for a "board-and-batten barn" that has a literal translation. He also had to find a way to explain "siding" in



TROY RESIDENT and former architect Makito Mori is helping Avianne Cole work to find words in Japanese that explain English building terms. It's all part of translating the Village Guide to Japanese to let visitors know a bit more about Troy's heritage.

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Japanese. That translation was nearing completion last week thanks to the work of three young ladies, Avianne Cole, Maitreyee Majumdar, and Laya Sathyau. They will all be seniors next year. They all admit they took Japanese because "it sounded like fun" and have been taking Japanese since the 8th grade. In that first year, while they were still in middle school, they were shuttled to Troy High School every morning for class. Now four years into studying Japanese, they volunteered to work on translating the guide.

But remember, there is a lot of building information in the guide. Their teacher, Mina Mori, who has been teaching Japanese at Athens and Troy High Schools for 14 years, has a husband, Makito Mori, who was an architect before he decided that the auto industry was a better fit in Detroit. He's been a Troy resident since 1984, and is now helping the kids make the correct translations for the guide.

Campbell calls this "A Deep Learning Project" for the students. As Makito Mori explained, translating into Japanese can be quite complicated. There's Japanese, and sometimes Chinese characters mixed in, then there is often not a direct word match for

Japanese—that's just not how they build there. He added that he did have to think hard about how to explain "how to move a building" to those who speak Japanese – another uncommon practice in his native land.

Mori says that "Japanese is a convenient language. The Japanese created an alphabet that mimics the sounds they speak in Japanese." That resulted in instant translation, he adds with a smile. It also makes spelling easier for Japanese kids.

As the students work their way through the text, they are typing in Japanese characters on their laptops – when those characters exist to explain the Village structures. Your computer probably has a lot of different languages to write in, you just have to find where they are on your computer.

If you want to help translate the Village's guide into your native tongue, call Loraine Campbell at 248-524-3570. The guides will be available to borrow while you explore the Village Green, but to be returned for others to enjoy, and continue to learn about Troy's heritage.

Congratulations Class of 2019



HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS IN TROY celebrated their graduation last weekend during ceremonies held at Oakland University's O'rena. Athens High School (above), Troy High School (below), and Troy's IA-East (bottom) all said farewell to their exiting class on Saturday. While students may be embarking on new adventures out of town, they take with them the experiences gained from living and learning in Troy. Photos courtesy of Troy School District



No-Reason Absentee Voting is Here, Election Inspectors Needed in Troy

Last November, Michigan passed Proposal 3, which allows any registered voter to vote by absentee ballot without giving a reason. People can sign up to be on the Permanent Absentee Voter list to receive the application in the mail automatically before each election. Absentee voters must apply for ballots before each election.

The last day to request absentee ballots by mail is 5 p.m. the Friday before each election.

The last day to request absentee ballots in-person is the Monday before each election at the City Clerk's Office before 4 p.m.

Voters can register by mail, online, or at a Secretary of State's Office 15 days prior to each election.

People can visit the new pop-up City Clerk's Office at the Troy Public Library on Saturday, June 15, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The Clerk's Office is in need of election inspectors. Any

registered voter in Michigan can work as an election inspector, and students can work if they are 16 or 17 years old and a US Citizen. Election inspectors work with voters at voting precincts or in the Absentee Counting Board in City Hall. Inspectors are paid \$12 per hour, plus paid training, and bonus for Chairpersons.

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All Good Things: Signing Off for the Last Time in the Troy-Somerset Gazette

PERSPECTIVES



Op-Ed by
PETE MAURER

I first started writing for the Gazette nearly 30 years ago, as a letter to the editor regarding the inane ramblings of a columnist whose ultra-conservative views were too extreme for some. My rather tongue-in-cheek retort to that columnist led to a weekly column. And the rest, as they say, is history.

Through the years, politics, economics, education, and reminiscences have graced the pages of the Gazette, sometimes humorous, sometimes informative, and occasionally controversial, but like I wrote some 29 years ago in my first official column, it didn't matter to me whether you agreed or not, only that it made you think, and perhaps respond. And boy, did

they respond.

Most were positive in nature, some nasty, and some were threats – with no veil whatsoever. I once had to report a letter to the police, so extreme was the response. But most people who wrote or emailed me were supportive and encouraging.

I never suffered from writer's block, and found that even weekly columns were not often enough to satisfy that inner desire within me to opine on matters of significance. I found that my reminiscences, particularly those of summer antics or the holidays were the best received. Growing up in Saginaw in the 1960s and 70s provided me with lots of anecdotes and stories that could only happen in a mid-Michigan, mid-sized town, to a middle child.

I have had the opportunity to write well in excess of one thousand columns, some of which have found their way onto refrigerators, work message boards, and in one bizarre instance, the counter of a drug store in Scottsdale, Arizona that I was visiting for a late-night snack. I have even had people from

several U.S. states email me about something I'd written that they had read in the Gazette they'd found in a restaurant or bar in their town, undoubtedly left behind by people who had been in Michigan earlier.

It would seem the circulation of the Gazette might be a tad more than they think.

But like all good things, my time with the Gazette is over. My life is in the midst of some rather big changes right now, and the time feels right for me to embark on other journeys, ones that I hope will be as rewarding as my time writing for the Gazette.

For those of you interested in continuing to read my work, I would have you visit my blog at Gobluegrad.wixsite.com/website/.

And for those of you interested in my photography, you may wish to follow me on my Instagram account, @pjmphotography_.

Who knows what the future holds, but I know that I enjoyed the time spent writing for the Gazette and its readers.

Signing off for the last time.

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City Barbeque Cuts the Ribbon on New Troy Restaurant

CITY BARBEQUE, at 700 W. Big Beaver Road, is one of the newest additions to the restaurant community in Troy, having recently hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony. General Manager Jeff Weegmann and his team cook up a menu featuring smoked meats including beef brisket, pulled pork, turkey breast, pulled chicken, slabs of ribs, and sausage – plus sides and desserts. Photo by Cindy Stewart, City of Troy

Arts & Entertainment



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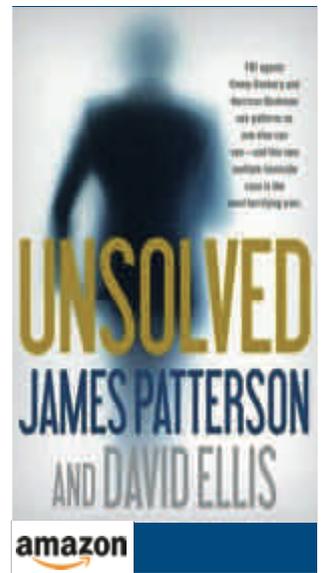
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Lake Street Dive Tuesday, June 11, 6 p.m. Royal Oak Music Theatre

Night Moves with David Turel Thursday, June 13, 8 p.m. The Magic Bag, Ferndale

Taylor Tucky Friday, June 14, 9 p.m. The Dixie Moon Saloon, Royal Oak

99.5 WYCD Hoedown Saturday, June 15, 2:30 p.m. DTE Energy Music Theatre

Frank The Man The Music Saturday, June 15, 8 p.m. Fox Theatre, Detroit

New Kids On The Block Tuesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m. Little Caesars Arena

One Nation Under A Groove Tour Thursday, June 20, 6 p.m. Michigan Lottery Amphitheatre At Freedom Hill

ON STAGE

The IT Girl Now thru June 23 Meadow Brook Theatre, Rochester Hills

Dave Chapelle Monday, June 10 & Tuesday June 11, 7 p.m. The Fillmore, Detroit

David Dyer Thursday, June 13, 7:30 p.m. Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, Royal Oak

Anastasia Thursday, June 13, 7:30 p.m. Fisher Theatre, Detroit

AROUND TOWN

June Food Truck Rally Wednesday, June 12, 5 p.m. Royal Oak Farmers Market

Shanghai Wednesday's: The Official Patio Opening Wednesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m. Mon Jin Lau Restaurant, Troy

Wine Down Wednesday 6 p.m. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak

Flip Flop Day Friday, June 14, 2 p.m. Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Clawson

Community Flea Market Saturday, June 15, 8 a.m. Jimmy John's Field, Utica

Frank Lloyd Wright Smith House Tours Saturday, June 15, 11:30 a.m. Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills

Yoga in the Gardens Saturday, June 15, 9 a.m. Cranbrook House & Gardens, Bloomfield Hills

Rock 'n' Rides June 20-23, Downtown Royal Oak

River Days June 21-23 West Riverfront Park, Detroit

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Bloom Investing: Will You Have Enough Money in Retirement? Tuesday, June 11, 7 p.m.

Trivia & Brews: Parks & Recreation Tuesday, June 11, 7 p.m. Granite City Brewery, Troy

Take Awesome Photos with Your Phone Saturday, June 15, 1 p.m.

The Story of Faygo Tuesday, June 18, 7 p.m.

Glittering Palaces of Detroit: 1930's Swing Music Wednesday, June 19, 7 p.m.

Windows 10 Basics Thursday, June 20, 7 p.m.

The Story of a \$500 House in Detroit Monday, June 24, 7 p.m.

KIDS & TEENS

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

End of School Bash Friday, June 14, 8 p.m. Troy Family Aquatic Center - For middle schoolers

Summer Kick Off Kid's Skate Party Saturday, June 15, 5:45 p.m. Skate World of Troy

Introduction to Scratch Monday, June 17, 1 p.m.

Paws to Read with Reba Monday, June 17, 5 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

Florida Georgia Line Thursday, August 22, 7 p.m. DTE Energy Music Theatre

Rob Thomas Wednesday, August 28, 8 p.m. Meadow Brook Amphitheatre

Jonas Brothers Saturday, September 7, 7:30 p.m. Little Caesars Arena

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DETROIT RIVER DAYS

Now entering its thirteenth year, River Days will take place June 21-23 on the West Riverfront in Detroit. Admission to the festival is \$5 and children ages 3 and under as well as seniors ages 65 and up get in for free.

Admission to the festival will be free between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday, June 21. Also, if you participate in the Riverfront Run you will receive a free admission coupon.

Musical headliners on the Soaring Eagle National Music Stage include Smokey Robinson on Friday, Brandy on Saturday, and Faith Evans on Sunday. Live music will be rocking all weekend on three stages including the Michigan Lottery Stage and Metro by T-Mobile Stage.

See the full schedule at Riverdays.com/.

A Fun Musical Romp Awaits at Meadow Brook Theatre with "The IT Girl"

PLAY REVIEW

by
SUZANNE ANGIO (member, American Theatre Critics Association) and
GREG ANGIO (Member Emeritus, San Francisco Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle)

If you need a break from the serious stuff of life, Meadow Brook has just the ticket: "The IT Girl," a lighter-than-air confection of spun sugar and flaming youth. The Roaring Twenties setting lets everybody wear cool period clothes, dance the Charleston and escape, from time to time, into the black and white world of silent

film. And of course, our heroine gets her man.

Speaking of silent film, fans will no doubt recall the movie "IT," a breezy 1927 star vehicle for the Brooklyn Bombshell, Clara Bow. She was known forever after as "The IT Girl" for her role as Betty, a lively young lingerie clerk with plenty of pizzazz in the world's biggest department store. The musical of the same name, which appeared off-Broadway in 2001, follows pretty much the same cutesy-clichéd plotline as the film but is set to jazzy music by Paul McKibbins, carefree lyrics by BT McNicholl and book by McNicholl and Michael Small. Set in New York City, there's love at first sight,

bootleg booze, romantic rivals, some moments of pathos, and lots of spirited singing and dancing in between.

Sara Kmiec brings high-wattage charm and nonstop perkiness to the role of Betty and delivers an equal measure of song-and-dance talent. Jonathan, Betty's love interest and son of the Waltham department store owner, is played with sincere warmth and a touch of class by Nathan Cockroft. Vying for Jonathan's attention is the dazzling Jackie Raye as Adela Van Norman, the local social climber. Dan Fenaughty as Jonathan's sidekick Monty is splendidly goofball and also aptly double-cast as a clown.

As the leads, only Kmiec and Cockroft have single roles to play. The rest of the talented cast have multiple roles, some as many as five. They include Larissa Klinger, Ron Williams, and Stephanie Wahl.

True to form, Travis Walter brings boundless affection and razor-sharp pacing to his direction. The action stays at a breakneck pace, soaring like a rocket from start to finish. There are some really interesting shadow effects in a few dance numbers (reminiscent of the effects in some of Fred Astaire's filmed sequences), enhanced with jaunty choreography by Jeremy Benton. Standout songs include "Step Into Their Shoes," "Why Not" and "A Perfect Plan" which showcase the exceptional talent of the performers.

Scenic design by Jen Price Fick attempts to strike a balance between the needs of the script (the real world of Betty vs the "black and white world" of silent film) and the stagecraft at hand. The mixed result: drab, grayish set pieces are called upon to serve as a lingerie department, a yacht

and a couple of different domiciles. They also provide the background for several intervals of black and white "silent movie" action performed by the cast, realized with clever strobe lighting effects by Matthew J Fick. This really livens up the proceedings and is a very cute narrative device, but the slightly ghoulish white face paint and black lips worn by the cast, even when they aren't in "black and white movie mode," is a little disturbing. Wardrobe by Corey Collins is likewise in the grayscale color range, although the clothing is fun and perfectly reflects the period.

The cast not only have a first-rate vocal talent and dance moves, but also the chops for broad comedy, so essential for pulling something like this off with such panache. And playing right along is the excellent six-piece orchestra led by Heidi Joosten. Everyone is clearly having a great time, and so will you.

The IT Girl is playing now through June 23. Tickets cost \$30-45 and can be purchased at mbtheatre.com/.

Troy Student's Documentary Wins C-SPAN Contest

by JUSTIN COOPER

The C-SPAN Bus rolled up to Athens High School last Friday on its trip across the country to award the winners of C-SPAN's StudentCam contest.

In "The Polar Bear Legacy," the grandson of a Polar Bear tells the story of a Russian woman telling his grandfather that the American soldiers fed their orphans and hungry children.



CAMERON WADE holds her StudentCam award and Certificate of Senatorial Recognition beside C-SPAN representative Doug Hemmig at Athens High School, Friday, May 31. Photo by Justin Cooper

Athens senior Cameron Wade was a third prize winner for her short documentary, "The Polar Bear Legacy," which details a mission in Russia during World War I.

The mission sent over 5,000 American troops to persuade Russia, newly entangled in a civil war, to rejoin the Allied fight against Germany.

The troops referred to themselves as the "Polar Bears," and the large majority of them were from Michigan.

"The smaller stories are truly what identify what it means to be American, because they show that it's not just the big picture, but it's all the other working parts inside of it that actually make what happens here," Wade said.

Wade was awarded \$750 for her documentary and a Special Senatorial Recognition.

A sculpture honoring the Polar Bears stands near the graves of 56 of the soldiers in White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery in Troy.



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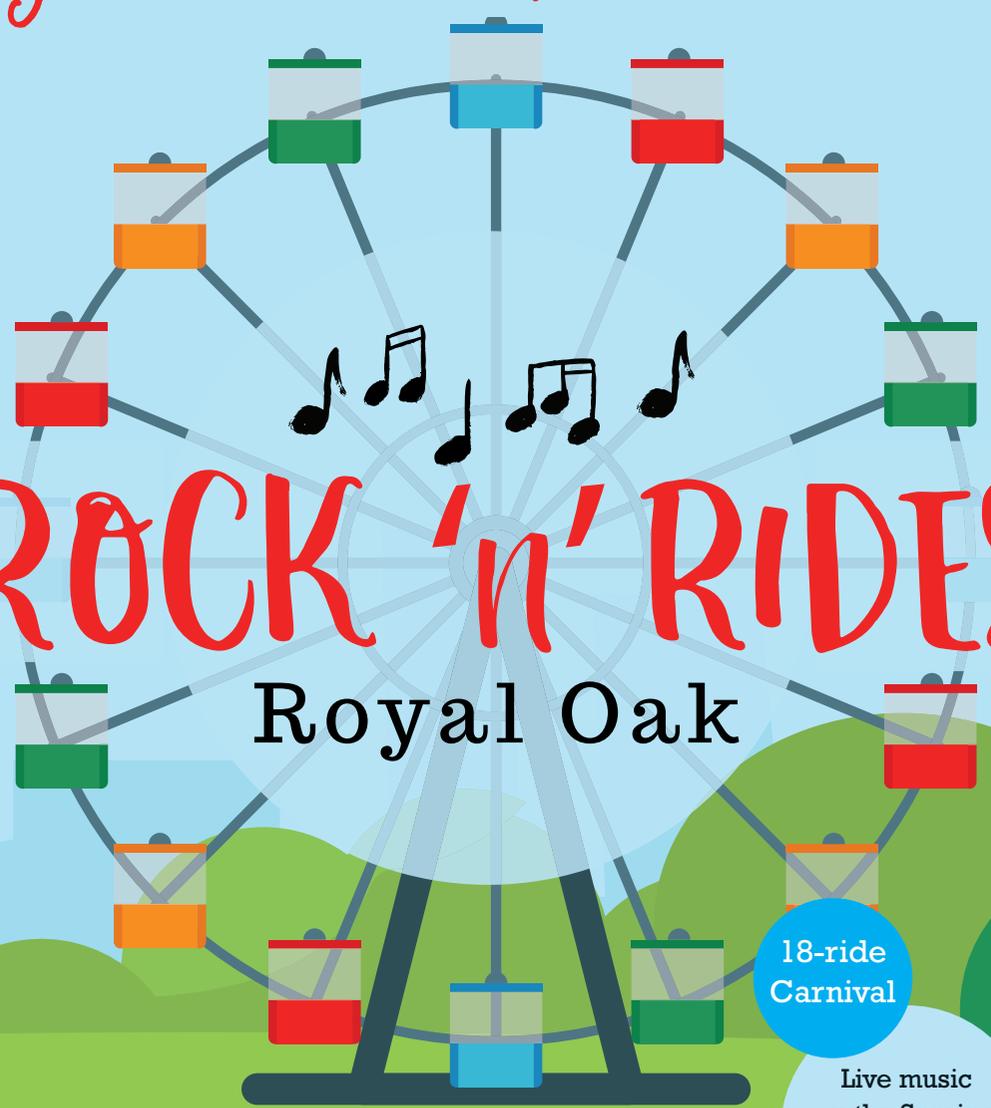
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- 4:30pm: Corktown Popes (Americana/Rock)
- 6:15pm: Nina & The Buffalo Riders (Rock & Roll & Soul)
- 8:00pm: The Ruiners (Garage Rock/Punk)
- 9:45pm: Stone Clover (Paddy Slag/Rock)

Sunday, June 23

- 12:00pm: Al Bettis (Pop/R&B)
- 1:30pm: Ali McManus (Soft Rock/Pop)
- 3:00pm: Maiyana Davis (Blues Rock)
- 4:30pm: Overdrive Orchestra (Rock)
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- 9:00pm: The Gia Warner Band (Rock/Americana)

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Measles Outbreak Officially Over

Oakland County Health Division this week announced the end of the largest local measles outbreak since 1991.

The outbreak began in March when an ill traveler from New York visited the area. Forty of the 44 confirmed measles cases in Michigan occurred in Oakland County, and infected individuals ranged in age from eight months to 63 years old.

"Health Division leaders and staff worked tirelessly to combat this outbreak and protect the health and safety of Oakland

County residents," said County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. "Their effort is a remarkable example of the dedication and care it takes to contain such a highly contagious illness."

The Oakland County Health Division is also encouraging residents to practice healthy habits to prevent the spread of flu. Although late in the season, flu continues to circulate. There have been 3,685 flu cases, 174 hospitalizations, and nine adult flu-associated deaths in Oakland County since October.

Financial Stability in Your Retirement Years

(NAPSI) Most people have a vision of their golden years that includes a comfortable retirement in which they can spend their time doing the things they enjoy. That dream doesn't require a substantial amount of wealth, but it is a lot more attainable if you have some financial stability.

Unfortunately, just 17% of older Americans are "financially healthy" and four in five low- and moderate-income Americans over the age of 50 are struggling with at least some aspect of their financial

lives, according to a 2019 study funded by AARP Foundation.

Here are five tips for increasing financial stability during your retirement years:

1. Stay out of debt. Debt can be destabilizing because it robs seniors of some of their free cash flow and reduces the amount of money they can spend each month. Credit card spending is especially dangerous for retirees, so consider a pay-as-you-go habit for new purchases.

2. Be a smart investor.

Whether you have small retirement savings or a large investment portfolio, a diversified low-cost investment strategy can deliver additional income for spending and help you stay ahead of inflation. Choose a mix of stocks, bonds, and cash that helps you sleep soundly at night, according to The Vanguard Group.

3. Consider downsizing. Many retirees are hesitant to move out of the home where they raised their children, which is understandable for both emotional and practical reasons. But it might improve your financial stability to sell your current home and buy a less expensive one for retirement, pocketing the difference and investing it wisely.

4. Delay Social Security. For retirees who have not yet signed up to collect their Social Security benefits, it may be advisable to delay that start date as long as possible. This may sound counterintuitive if you are searching for financial stability, but research has found that most seniors will benefit from the higher payouts they will receive by deferring to age 70, if possible.

5. Increase cash flow. One way to raise the amount of cash available for funding your retirement is to work part-time, an option that is more available to seniors than ever before. Another possibility is to unlock cash tied up in assets that you might not realize can be sold.

A comfortable retirement is possible without an enormous nest egg, but it is difficult without some degree of financial stability. By staying out of debt, practicing smart personal finance and maximizing cash flow, the vision you had of your golden years could be within reach.

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Women's Luncheon at OPC Senior Center

Don't miss the next Women's Luncheon at OPC Senior Center on Thursday, June 27 at 1 p.m.

Each month OPC women share lunch and invite a speaker to learn about local organizations and special interest topics. Tickets are \$12 per person and can be purchased by calling 248-608-0251. Luncheon is sponsored WellBridge of Rochester Hills.

The OPC Senior Center is located at 650 Letica Dr in Rochester.

Learn About the Historic Village Buildings

This summer, join the Troy Historical Village for three behind-the-scenes tours of their historic buildings.

July 24: Solomon Caswell House

Tour this 1832 Greek Revival home in all of its neoclassical glory. Built by pioneer farmer, cobbler, and War of 1812 veteran Solomon Caswell, this house was the first building moved to the Village campus. Learn the Caswell family story in the context of southeast Michigan, national, and world history.

August 14: General Store

Learn the secrets of the Village General Store, including a tour of the artifact and textile collections housed in the normally off-limits upper level. Tour also includes the history of Troy Corners' general store, which was operated for years by Civil War veteran Frank Cutting, and highlights of the Detroit United Railway, the 20th century electric-interurban that connected the tiny farming community of Troy to cities as far away as Imlay City and Flint.

September 18: Niles Barnard House

This most-recently relocated of the Village's historic buildings has many fascinating stories. Built in 1823 by one of Troy's first pioneer settlers, Johnson Niles, it was simultaneously a family home and tavern. By the 1950s, the family of Judge Norman Barnard lived in the home, and it was in their living room that the City of Troy was platted. For the first time, visitors are invited to go inside the Niles Barnard House (stair-climbing required).

Tours will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Registration is required. The cost is \$10 for THS members and \$15 for non-members. Call 248-524-3570 for details.

Internet Safety for Families

Oakland County Wellness is hosting an internet safety seminar for families as part of it Lunch 'n' Learn series.

Detective Sergeant Jerry DeRosia, from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, will teach people how to protect themselves and their family from cyber crimes on Tuesday, June 11. The seminar will be held from 12-1 p.m. at the L. Brooks Patterson Building in the East Oakland Conference Center.

To attend, register online at oakgov.com/wellness/. The class is course number WEL239. To learn more, contact Dawn Hunt at hunt@d@oakgov.com or call 248-858-5473.

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Aging Well by Staying Connected Locally

(NAPSI) Staying connected to the community is a key ingredient to healthy and successful aging. But for many older adults, staying connected can be difficult. Fortunately, there are resources available for older adults and their caregivers to learn about local programs and resources that can help them stay engaged and active in their communities.

Programs funded through the Older Americans Act, like the Eldercare Locator, provide older

adults with many ways to stay active and involved in the community.

For example, exercise classes, educational programs, volunteer opportunities and other health and wellness activities are available to older adults in communities around the country.

Need more help than that? The Eldercare Locator can also connect you to local resources designed to help older adults maintain their independence at

home, such as transportation, in-home assistance with daily needs, home modifications and assistance with healthy meals.

The Eldercare Locator is a free service of the U.S. Administration for Community Living that is administered through the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

Contact the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 and online at eldercare.acl.gov/.

When's a Good Time to Plan a Funeral?

For many people, planning their funeral seems like a daunting task and something to be put off until later. Without a plan, though, the burden can fall to loved ones at a time when they're already stressed and dealing with grief.

Wujek-Calcaterra and Sons is hosting a free seminar at Sycamore Hills Golf Club to help people understand the best time to plan a funeral. The seminar will be held on Thursday, June 13.

According to the National Funeral Directors Association 2017 Consumers Awareness and Preferences Study, 62.5% of consumers felt it was very important to communicate funeral plans and wishes to family prior to their death, but only 21.4% had done so.

At the seminar, attendees will learn about funeral cost savings by pre-planning and how to help ensure that their wishes are carried out on issues like estate planning and power of attorney. They'll also learn how pre-planning helps ease the emotional and financial burdens of family members and gain peace of mind by making decisions ahead of time. Finally, speakers will discuss how planning ahead puts people in charge of their own end-of-life

decisions.

Glenn Matecun, a certified elder law attorney, and Michael Zuzga, a funeral director at Wujek-Calcaterra and Sons, will both be guest speakers at the seminar.

In addition to learning valuable information about funerals, attendees will get to enjoy a complimentary dinner at the golf club.

The seminar and dinner will be held at Sycamore Hills Golf Club at 48787 North Avenue in Macomb. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. Although the event is free, seating is limited. Those who are interested in attending should make their reservations early by calling 586-826-8550.

Wujek-Calcaterra and Sons is a family owned and operated funeral home in Sterling Heights and Shelby Township. Wujek-Calcaterra has been providing the funeral needs of local families for four generations. The funeral home offers services including funerals, cremations, pre-planning, funeral cost estimates, and grief support.

To learn more visit wujekcalcaterra.com or call the Sterling Heights location at 586-588-9438, or the Shelby location at 586-588-9833.

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Oakland Fall Senior Expo

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 • 9am-12pm • Southfield Pavilion • Southfield, MI

2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's in Metro Detroit

Alzheimer's Disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States, according to the Alzheimer's Association 2019 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report. The report also found that 5.8 million Americans are living with the disease, and that this year alone, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the nation \$290 billion.

There's still a lot of work to be done to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support, and research. This summer, the Detroit Zoo is hosting the Alzheimer's Association Greater Michigan Chapter's annual Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday, August 25.

Every year, more than 600 communities nationwide hold

walks to raise support for Alzheimer's. The event calls on participants of all ages and abilities to participate and join the fight against the disease.

When people participate in the walk, their fundraising dollars go toward ending Alzheimer's and the walk itself helps raise awareness in the community. Although there is no fee to register for the walk, the Alzheimer's Association encourages people to fundraise to contribute to the cause and raise awareness.

Those interested in participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's can register online now at act.alz.org/detroit/. Once people register, they'll have access to a wide range of tools and support through the website Participant Center to help them reach their fundraising goals and raise awareness.

On the day of the event, registration will open at 7:00 a.m., the Opening Ceremony at 8:30 a.m. and the Walk will commence at 8:50 a.m. The Detroit Zoo is at 8450 W 10 Mile Rd in Royal Oak.

To learn more about the walk or sponsorship opportunities, contact Event Manager, Kyle Amanda Leonard at kleonard@alz.org or call 248-996-1044.



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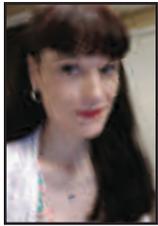


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Summer Destinations for Senior Travelers: Florida, Texas, New Mexico



by
AMY FORTUNE

Does sunshine and warm air give you the travel bug? If so, you are not alone. Summer is a great time revisiting favorite destinations and discovering new places. But if you are itching to explore uncharted territory as a senior, where do you start? What is your ideal vacation spot? You may be looking for a place that offers easily accessible sites and activities, affordable dining options, and senior-friendly accommodations. Of course, you also want tons of fun, chances to meet new people, and opportunities to make beautiful memories.

So, where should you go? Here are a few ideas to spark your inspiration and make you want to start packing.

Four Fun, Safe, and Affordable Vacation Spots for Seniors

Grab your spouse, best friend, or favorite family member and check out these wonderful summer travel destinations. Or, if you need a little me-time, pick the ideal spot from the list for you and you alone.

Florida

Whether you like shopping, theme parks, golf, fine dining, or beaches, Florida has it all. There

is, after all, a reason why so many senior citizens retire in Florida. And having held the title of Chosen Destination for Seniors for many years, Florida boasts many restaurants, hotels, and attractions that cater to senior needs and interests. If you are traveling with grandkids or other young children, or you are simply a kid at heart, consider adding Disney World to your Florida agenda.

Santa Fe, New Mexico



The renowned artist, Georgia O'Keefe, was inspired by the natural beauty of Santa Fe and built her summer home there. And while her actual home is closed off to the public, visitors can tour the surrounding area of Ghost Ranch. This historical site, along with dozens of museums, including the Florence Hawley Ellis Museum of Anthropology and the Ruth Hall Museum of Paleontology make Santa Fe a wonderful destination

for curious types with a lust for learning. Santa Fe also boasts fantastic hotels and incredible dining options for luxury lovers and epicureans.

Corpus Christi, Texas

Corpus Christi attracts beachcombers who enjoy easy access to countless activities that are fun and engaging for visitors of all ages. You can spend an entire day at the Texas State Aquarium and make some new, flipped friends in Dolphin Bay. Veterans and military buffs can take a tour of the USS Lexington. Or, for a relaxing afternoon, you can take a stroll through the Botanical Gardens. In the evening, enjoy an excellent seafood meal at one of

Corpus Christi's many fine restaurants. Then, take in a show at the historic Harbor Playhouse.

Bryson City, North Carolina

If slow and easy is more your speed, check out this beautiful small-town jewel tucked in the heart of the Smoky Mountains. Visit Bryson City to enjoy great galleries, charming restaurants, and unique boutiques. While there, you can also walk the trails of Smoky Mountain National Park and gaze in awe at the waterfalls. Then, get your tickets for the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad and ride a passenger train to a gorgeous location like Fontana Dam. As a bonus, Bryson City is just minutes away from the

Cherokee Indian Reservation and about an hour away from Asheville, North Carolina, and incredible city with amazing dining, shopping, and live entertainment options.

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Oakland County's Manufacturing Day Recognized for Innovation

Oakland County Manufacturing Day, which gives high schoolers an inside look at modern manufacturing careers, won the "Best in Category" Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties.

The county was recognized in the "Personnel Management, Employment and Training" category. The award was one of eight won by the county in the annual contest, which honors innovative and effective programming that benefits residents.

In their evaluation of the program, contest officials recognized the innovations and results of Oakland County Manufacturing Day.

"Oakland County Manufacturing Day has become one of the signature events hosted by the county each year and I'm so pleased Oakland County Michigan Works!, in partnership with Oakland Schools, has been recognized with this prestigious award," Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said in a press release. "They have done a great job bringing students and manufacturers together to highlight the broad range of rewarding and challenging occupations found in today's modern manufacturing facilities. I

congratulate Manager Jennifer Llewellyn and her team for their outstanding work."

The event is in its fifth year and is organized by Oakland County Michigan Works, Oakland Schools, Oakland County Department of Economic Development and Community Affairs, and Oakland Community College.

Last year, more than 1,000 students from the four Oakland Tech campuses and 17 county high schools visited 43 manufacturing companies. This year, organizers plan to double the number of high schools sending students and have at least 50 companies to host tours. The county promotes the event using a variety of different marketing tools, including social media.

"It's a tremendous honor to receive national recognition while simultaneously inspiring students to consider career options in manufacturing," Llewellyn said. "We have an amazing team who work on this project each year. If Oakland County Manufacturing Day inspires even a handful of students to follow their passion, we've done our job."

To learn more about the National Association of Counties, visit Oakgov.com/.

Soaring Eagle Named Title Sponsor of Arts, Beats & Eats

Arts, Beats & Eats – Oakland County's annual Labor Day weekend celebration of art and entertainment – this week announced that Soaring Eagle

quickly," said Raul Venegas, executive director of marketing, entertainment & sales, Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort. "It was an opportunity for us to be fully

and family."

Soaring Eagle, located in Mt. Pleasant, has supported Arts, Beats & Eats in years past, including serving up sandwiches via its Cuisine Machine and sponsoring gaming opportunities, as well as music and entertainment stages. Soaring Eagle will enjoy the title sponsorship of the festival for the next three years.

Flagstar Bank, headquartered in Troy, has signed on as the festival's presenting sponsor for the next two years.

Now officially named Soaring Eagle Arts, Beats & Eats presented by Flagstar Bank, the event will offer more than 200 performances on nine stages, a juried fine art show, and dozens of local restaurants. The event will be open 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. Friday, August 30 through Sunday, September 1; and 11 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. Monday, September 2.

To learn more, visit Artsbeatseats.com or call 248-541-7550.



Casino & Resort has been given 2019 festival naming rights and has become the first-ever non-automotive sponsor in the event's 22-year history.

The festival returns to Royal Oak on Labor Day weekend, August 30-September 2.

"When the option to assume naming rights came up, we knew we had to jump on securing them

integrated with the festival that shares so much in common with what we stand for in terms of entertainment, cuisine, culture,

Gary Casper Golf Team Make Troy Links the Winners

Troy City Council honored the managers of the city's golf courses, which are now overseen by Billy Casper Golf with great results.

Year (Sanctuary Lake), Top Performer of the Year (Sanctuary Lake), and the Central Region's award for Most Improved Golf Course of the Year (Sylvan Glen).



Photo courtesy of Cindy Stewart, City of Troy

The Troy Golf team was nominated for multiple awards within its region, including the BCG Service Through Safety Award, ACE Award (Sanctuary Lake), F&B Operation of the Year (Sanctuary), Most Improved Facility (Sylvan), Superintendent of the Year (Jim Vandenberghe), General Manager of the Year (Aaron Konold), Facility of the

Pictured are the Troy Golf team members, who all received awards at the annual Billy Casper Golf Meeting. From left: Derick Marcum, General Manager at Sylvan Glen; Cameron Abrahamsson, Assistant Superintendent at Sylvan Glen; and Aaron Konold, General Manager at Sanctuary Lake.

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- Brian McKnight (Saturday)
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Smokey Robinson



Brandy



Faith Hill



Brian McKnight

