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Northville Community Briefs

Telemann's cantatas performed

St Paul's Lutheran Church (201 Elm Street, Northville) will be performing various parts of two separate cantatas and incorporating it into their church services this Sunday at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services. Join them for a morning of Telemann's music performed by St. Paul's Joyful Messengers and invited instrumentalists. T

Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767) was a German born composer. He is one the world's most prolific composer with over 800 known works.

DDA hosts Tour the Town

For those in the market for an ideal location to set up their business or office, the opportunity to tour a variety of properties available in the centrally-located setting of downtown Northville is taking place.

Tour the Town - hosted by the Northville Downtown Development Authority - will be held on Tuesday, June 8 from 3-8 p.m.

During the self-guided property tour entrepreneurs and potential business owners can view available office and retail properties available in downtown Northville. Attendees at will be provided a business recruitment package, including a Downtown Northville Business Investment Guide, property locator map, and a list of available properties and property descriptions upon check-in at Northville Square (located at 133 W. Main Street; corner of Main and Wing Street).

Throughout the tour, property owners/landlords will be on-hand at each individual location to answer questions. Representatives of the Northville Downtown Development Authority will also be on-site to answer inquiries about doing business in downtown Northville from attendees or to make additional appointments with those interested in certain properties.

For information on "Tour the Town," visit www.downtownnorthville.com or call (248) 349-0345.

Wayne County recognized for Going Green

These days, going green has become part of business. Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano has been recognized for his incorporation of this initiative into his business strategy at the newly Wayne County occupied Guardian Building, and throughout the community. This past Tuesday, Ficano received the Municipal Leadership Award at the DTE-ESD Energy Conference held at Rock Financial Showcase in Novi citing the green features of the building.

"We are proud of the green features of our new home at the Guardian Building, and we hope to make capital investments in other County buildings to make them greener as well," said Wayne County CEO Ficano. "But what's more important is our effort to expand the green economy here in Wayne County. With companies like GE and A123 Systems locating here, we are well on our way to becoming the international capitol of energy excellence."

Wayne County was recognized not only for its green makeover of its new central offices at the Guardian Building, but also for the efforts of the Wayne County Economic Development Growth Engine (EDGE) in attracting green businesses to the region. Wayne County was also recognized for the establishment of its Energy Office as well as scheduled energy upgrades to the Medical Examiner's Office that will save the County \$363,440 per year at the facility.

Buy Michigan, Northville partnering

Buy Michigan Now has announced they will again partner with Downtown Northville to host an upbeat celebration of Michigan, Aug. 6-8. The family-friendly Buy Michigan Now Festival will showcase various Michigan entertainers, businesses, products, and educational opportunities.

Launched in 2007 by Lisa Diggs, Buy Michigan Now is a statewide initiative to inform, educate and encourage Michiganders, organizations and consumers alike, to support the local economy by purchasing products and services made in Michigan and from Michigan-based companies.

"The Buy Michigan Now campaign is dedicated to heightening awareness and revitalizing our state's economy one product, one purchase, and one person at a time. I am delighted to be returning to Northville once again to celebrate Buy Michigan Week. It is a charming town, filled with locally-owned businesses, and has great proximity to the Detroit area, Ann Arbor, and even Lansing. That makes it an ideal place to showcase businesses, products, art and entertainment from around the state," said Lisa Diggs.

The weekend celebration is designed to coincide with "Buy Michigan Week," which focuses extra attention on Michigan-based businesses and locally-produced merchandise to help stimulate the economy. This is also the second year for Buy Michigan Week, which will run Monday, Aug. 2-Sunday, Aug. 8.

The Buy Michigan Now Festival will run from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. on Aug. 6 and 7 and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday Aug. 8. More than 100 vendors and merchants are expected to participate and the festival is free to the public.

For information on vendor or sponsorship opportunities, contact Buy Michigan Now 248-390-0974 or info@BuyMichiganNow.com. A full list of events for the weekend of August 6-August 8 will be announced soon.

Got talent?

Spring forward and reach for the stars in the 2nd annual music performance competition: Talent for the Title hosted by Broughton Music & Art Center, and Starring, The Gallery.

Last year's Talent for the Title event proved to be an exciting new addition to the Northville experience. This year's Talent for the Title aims to exceed last year's expectations and to wow the crowd with our local talent! Applications are available now for vocalists, singer/songwriters, instrumentalists, solo, duo/trio and bands. All interested competitors will need to submit an application and audition tape April 30. Judges will select finalists to compete in a series of public performances throughout the historic city of Northville. The final showcase will take place on the first Friday of June (June 4) to help kick off the Friday Night Concert Series in Town Square, located on Main Street in downtown Northville (between Center Street and Griswold).

Laurie Jarski of Broughton Music & Art Center, and Mary Starring of Starring, The Gallery will serve as the co-chairs of this event.

On Thursday, May 27 and Friday, May 28 there will be elimination rounds at Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall Theatre in Northville.

Details (including rules) will be available at the participating sponsors or by contacting the Talent for the Title hotline at Broughton Music & Art Center at (248) 374-5596 or visiting the website talentforthetitle.com.

Call for artists

The Northville Art House released the call for entries for the second annual West of Center, All Media Show, which takes place June 4-27.

This is an inspired effort to showcase talented artists, as selected by a highly regarded juror, (master sculptor and former College for Creative Studies Sculptor Department Director Jay Holland) and a nod to the Art House location and philosophy of bringing the community something that's different from the usual.

Last year's West of Center Show attracted a wide range of eclectic works from more than 50 artists from Michigan and beyond for consideration - resulting in a contemporary and dynamic, must-see exhibit. Call for entries application/CD must be hand-delivered or shipped to arrive by April 23. E-mail to ArtHouseExhibits@northvillearts.org with questions.

Looking for Great Homes

American Association of University Women Northville-Novis is looking for a few great Northville homes to feature in its 15th annual AAUW Home Tour. A highlight of the Northville Victorian Festival, the tour will be held for 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sept. 18.

Typically homes featured are widely different in architecture and interior design, span three centuries of construction and reflect how families have adapted to 21st century living in a community with a Victorian village at its heart. Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will be answering questions at one home this year.

The home tour is a signature fund-raising event of AAUW which directs its support to advance education in the local, national and international community. One of the ongoing local commitments is annual scholarship contributions to Schoolcraft and Oakland County Community College in addition to established endowments.

If you would like to discuss having your home on the AAUW Home Tour 2010 or would like to be a Home Tour volunteer, please contact event Chair Dianne McCulloch at dimccul@comcast.net.

Race for the Cure

Over the past 18 years, millions of people have gathered in metropolitan Detroit to celebrate progress, honor the memory of a loved one, and raise awareness and support for those affected by breast cancer. The 19th Annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, locally presented by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, will take place Saturday, May 22, at Comerica Park. Sponsors, teams and participants are already signing up for this year's race.

The Komen Detroit Race for the Cure awards 75 percent of the current year's net proceeds to a diverse group of organizations serving Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Funds support breast health education and breast cancer screening and treatment programs for the medically underserved. The remaining 25 percent funds breast cancer research and project grants awarded through Komen for the Cure. Since 1992, the Detroit Race has raised \$17.5 million in the fight against breast cancer. Thanks to the generosity of Komen Detroit supporters, in 2009, \$1.5 million was awarded to local breast cancer programs and more than \$320,600 to breast cancer research.

For more information go to www.karmanos.org and click the Race icon or call 1-800-KARMANOS and ask for the Komen Detroit Race for the Cure.