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# Allen Park Police Department Weekly Summary

## RETAIL FRAUD

Date: 08/26/2022

Location: 3100 FAIRLANE RD., ALLEN PARK  
Time: N/A

2022-7885  
RETAIL FRAUD  
08/26/2022  
STOLEN / RECOVERED:  
MILWAUKEE SHOP LIGHT - VALUE: \$229.00  
INCIDENT:  
On 08/26/2022, an Officer was dispatched to 3163 Fairlane, Home Depot on a report of Retail Fraud. Upon

arrival the Officer met with Home Depot who was holding someone in custody. They stated they observed someone select the listed shop light, then exit the store, passing all points of sale without offering payment. He was escorted to the loss prevention office without incident. He stated what had said

was true.  
ACTION TAKEN:  
He checked clear through LEIN. He was advised on trespassing and released after being issued a violation for Retail Fraud, TICKET# AP101631. The Officer will bring the loss prevention report to the PD, when complete.

## RETAIL FRAUD

Date: 08/21/2022

Location: 19000 ECORSE RD., ALLEN PARK  
Time: 2:30 PM

2022-7718  
08-21-2022  
RETAIL FRAUD  
LOCATION:  
19350 Ecorse (Shell Gas Station), Allen Park 48101  
VICTIM:  
Shell  
SUSPECT:  
B/M 18-20 yrs old  
SUSPECT(\$)  
VEHICLE:  
2006 Dodge Caravan-Red  
STOLEN:  
3 Wedding Cake Disposable Vape Cartridges  
\$28.99 Each - \$92.19 w/tax  
EVIDENCE:  
Gas Station does have video evidence of incident and will be saved for DB

DETAILS:  
Dispatched to 19350 Ecorse (Shell Gas Station) on 08-21-2022 regarding a Retail Fraud that occurred on 08-20-2022. Caller stated that a B/M came into the store yesterday 8-20-22 approx 3:15pm and came to the counter. The B/M was trying to distract and asking for stuff behind the counter so he could grab the listed items from the counter with having her back towards him. After he left, she noticed 3 Vape Cartridges missing from the box on the counter. She reviewed the camera and observed the B/M taking them and

putting them in his pockets before exiting the store. On 8-21-2022 approx 2:30pm the same B/M came into the store and she told him she knew he took the cartridges from the counter. The male was looking like he was gonna just pay her for them but another B/M in the listed Dodge outside told him to come on so he left. She got the license plate of the vehicle and they headed East on Ecorse back to Taylor. The B/M had on a Nike Black Sweatshirt and Black Jogging Pants and was approx 18-20's yrs old.

## FRAUDULENT ACTIVITIES

Date: 08/22/2022

Location: 1500 SOUTHFIELD RD., ALLEN PARK  
Time: 3:26 PM

2022-07748  
08/22/2022  
Fraudulent Activities  
SOURCE: Lobby Complaint  
LOCATION: 15401 Southfield Rd (Beltone Hearing)  
VICTIM: Beltone Hearing  
COMPLAINANT: (Company Vice President)  
TAKEN: \$200.00 (In US Currency)  
CIRCUMSTANCE:  
On 08/22/2022 at approximately 1526 hours, Officers took an APPD lobby complaint for Fraudulent Activities. Officers made contact with the

complainant.  
OFFICER INVESTIGATION:  
On 01/29/2022, the victim informed that a former employee, (Suspect), had taken \$200.00 in commission from Beltone Hearing for a product that he had not sold to any customers. He had attempted to gain fraudulent commission on three separate occasions for \$783.27 (12/21/2021), \$229.60 (09/08/2022), and \$229.60 (10/22/2022). He was never paid

due to him leaving the company. He had also sold hearing aids for the value of \$7,190.00 but delivered a cheaper model to the customer (listed on transaction receipt). He had the more expensive product shipped to another person not listed as the intended customer. Beltone then had to shipped the correct product to the customer for no extra charge. The Officer placed a company of the bank transactions/product receipts in the Detective tray.



## Cop on a Block AP



Photos By Jim Jacek

From: Jim Jacek  
Annette Prevaux-Matejko and The Visionary held a Cop on a Block at their business at 7333 Allen Road. Allen Park Detective Jim Thorburn ex-

plained to the audience crime prevention tips, how to spot counterfeit money, and even visual signs of a person drinking too much. With a pair of special goggles, the goggles

were designed to show how people react after drinking more than the legal limit of alcohol. Check the Allen Park website for future Cop on a Block locations.

## APPD Holds Motorcycle Charity Ride



Photos By Jim Jacek



From: Jim Jacek

The Allen Park Police held a motorcycle charity ride and concert in the K of C Council Park to raise funds for Honor Guard uniforms, training, and equipment. The concert featured the band Tenth Street Tuesday, Willie Nelson (aka Jeff Carr) and Johnny Cash (aka Rock Harley).



The August 14th event motorcycle ride passed 9 police stations and 5 American Legions, with a police escort.





# ALLEN PARK ATHLETICS

## ON THE SIDELINE:

### OLD WEST WAGONS, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY, THE TONIGHT SHOW AND JACKSON, MICHIGAN



By Don Richter  
drichter101@comcast.net

Here's a little quiz. What do the following topics all have in common?

— Wagons of the California Gold Rush of 1849 and of the Old West's pioneer Manifest Destiny.

— The Pro Football Hall of Fame and a Super Bowl champion.

— A U.S. Ryder Cup golf team member.

— The Tonight Show and a Star of the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

— An outdoor music festival second only to Woodstock in total attendance.

— A No. 1 song later covered by musical legends such as Ella Fitzgerald, Louie Armstrong and Patsy Cline.

— The first ever coney dog restaurant.

— The oldest continually in use train station in America.

— The formal birthplace of the Republican Party.

— And a varsity letter jacket Block J taken to the moon and



The sign inside Jackson's Coney Island restaurant billing itself as the "Birthplace of the original coney dog." The restaurant opened in 1914.

back by a local NASA astronaut.

Well?

What do you think?

Drum roll, please.

The answer is they all owe their existence in some way, shape or form to the city of Jackson, Michigan.

Wait, what?

Yes, Jackson, Michigan.

As some of you might know if you've read this column over the years (thank you to those five or six people), I'm a huge history buff. Every so often I like to focus on a certain city or area of the state of Michigan and delve into its history.

Recently, Jackson has been in my history crosshairs.

Jackson was founded in 1829. The city was named after Andrew Jackson, our nation's seventh president. With a city proper population of close to 35,000 and a metropolitan population of just over 100,000,

Jackson is one of the largest cities in central southern lower Michigan. Located between Ann Arbor and Battle Creek, Jackson is the seat of Jackson County.

The past few weeks I've traveled to Jackson to visit some sites and try to experience history firsthand.

I was pleasantly surprised that the 34-foot high stone walls of the state of Michigan's first prison were still standing and, I might add, looking as imposing and sturdy as ever. Opened in 1839, the Jackson State Prison would soon become the largest walled prison in the world, with over 6,000 inmates. What I found unique and interesting about the prison was that the inmates built wooden wagons that were of such quality and so highly thought of they were used in great numbers by those seeking fortune during the California Gold Rush of 1849 and by those Old West pioneers hoping for a better life during Manifest Destiny and westward migration.

Who would've thought Jackson, Michigan and the Old West were related? Not me.

I visited one of the state of Michigan's finest high school football complexes in Dungy Field at Withington Stadium in Jackson. Dungy Field is named for Jackson native and Pro Football Hall-of-Famer Tony Dungy. As a player, Dungy won a Super Bowl with the Pittsburgh Steelers, while with the Indianapolis Colts, he became the first African-American head coach to win a Super

Bowl.

Jackson native, Dave Hill was a member of the 1969 U.S. Ryder Cup golf team. Hill also won 13 PGA tour titles during his illustrious career, including a fifth-place finish at the 1970 Masters Tournament. Hill's brother Mike, also a Jackson native, had three PGA tour wins. The Hill brothers are arguably the greatest golfing brother duo in state of Michigan history and one of the best in national golf history.

Another Jackson native, Jack Paar was the second-ever host of the Tonight Show. Paar followed original host Steve Allen and preceded Johnny Carson on the Tonight Show. One of the most popular entertainers in the nation during his prime (1950s through 1960s), Paar was later honored with a Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Just a few minutes outside of Jackson, the three-day Goose Lake International Music Festival has been hailed as "Michigan's Woodstock." In the counter-culture days of 1970, during August 7 through 9, over 200,000 music fans from all over Michigan and the country attended the Goose Lake festival. Those attendance numbers reportedly are second only to Woodstock. Performers included Jethro Tull, Joe Cocker, Bob Seger, The Stooges, Brownsville Station, Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels, Chicago and the MC5 to name but a few of the festival's headliners.

Hughie Cannon, piano player and songwriter at Jackson's Conrad Deidrich's Saloon, penned a No. 1 hit song in 1902 called "Won't You Come Home Bill Bailey." Cannon and Bailey were friends and Cannon drew inspiration for the song by conversations he'd have at the saloon with Bailey about his marital troubles with his wife Sarah. Since then, the



The boulder at the "Under the Oaks" site in Jackson, Michigan. The boulder marks the location where the first formal meeting of the Republican Party was held in 1854.

song has been covered by multiple singers including Ella Fitzgerald, Louie Armstrong and Patsy Cline.

Last weekend, I visited the first-ever coney dog restaurant in the state of Michigan. Located in Jackson and opened in 1914, the restaurant touts itself with a sign inside the premises as "The birthplace of the coney dog." I ordered two coney dogs, fries and a Pepsi. I asked the waitress if the place was really the birthplace of the coney dog. She hesitated for a second, pointed to the sign and said, "Of course."

The coney restaurant is next door to the oldest continually in use train station in America. The Jackson Train Station opened in 1841 and, it's said, helped bring about the first coney dog restaurant since hungry passengers and rail workers needed a quick, easy and good-tasting food option nearby before hopping back on the train and heading to their destination. While visiting last weekend, I decided to check out the inside of the building. The interior of the train station is gorgeous and is like stepping back in time. In my humble opinion, the Jackson Train Station is a hidden historical gem in the city.

Situated smack dab in the middle of a Jackson neighborhood surrounded by houses and trees is a boulder with a plaque on it. The place is called

"Under the Oaks." The plaque, in part, says the site the boulder sits on is the place of the first formal meeting of the Republican Party on July 6, 1854. It's a pretty amazing site. I've seen photos of multiple U.S. presidents throughout the decades visiting the site and standing next to the boulder. To stand next to the boulder myself earlier this month knowing that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower stood in the exact same spot 70 years or so ago was pretty cool.

Finally, inside Jackson High School is a Block J that has literally gone to the moon and back. Al Worden, a 1950 graduate of Jackson High School and a NASA astronaut who was part of the three-man crew of the Apollo 15 moon mission in 1970, placed the Block varsity letter J in his space suit pocket as he piloted the lunar module around the moon. After successfully returning to Earth, Worden came home to Jackson and presented the high school with the interstellar Block J. The school letter now sits proudly in a frame on a wall in Jackson High School. I think it's one of the coolest and most unique historical artifacts and stories in state of Michigan history.

Jackson, Michigan?

I hardly knew ya. It was nice "meeting you" these past few weeks...



Part of the 34-foot tall stone wall and guard tower at the original site of Jackson State Prison. Opened in 1839, Michigan's first prison was at one time the world's largest walled prison with over 6,000 inmates.

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# CABRINI ATHLETICS

## CABRINI CROSS COUNTRY

# CABRINI CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS



Carter Russelburg 23:21.1 PR  
 Jack Fitzgerald 23:36.1  
 Kieran Fix 24:05.7 PR  
 The girls varsity ran next for Cabrini. Ava Teed was the top performer for Cabrini with a 6th place finish. There were three PRs for the girls. The girls finished in 10th place.  
 Ava Teed 20:15.0  
 Nicole Teed 23:26.3  
 Elaine Teed 24:29.5 PR  
 Grace Kendziuk 27:46.8 PR  
 Amy Tran 27:58.1 PR  
 Ella Brash 28:49.4  
 Antonina Pizzo 29:08.8

**From: Sara Forystek, Cabrini Athletic Director**

The boys and girls cross country teams first meet of the season was Saturday (8/27). They competed in the

Michigan Catholic XC Invitational on at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt. The competed against some of the best Catholic teams in the state in divisions 1 thru 4.

The girls JV team ran first for Cabrini. Both Ashley and Brianna ran great for their first high school 5k. Ashley Pelc 29:34.7 PR

Brianna Manning 33:47.1 PR  
 The boys varsity ran next. Christopher Russelburg was a top performer with a second place finish. There were three PRs. The

boys finished in 13th place.  
 Christopher Russelburg 16:41.8 PR  
 Brayden McKay 20:13.9  
 Ralph Kaleniecki 21:45.7

# The Joint Chiropractic



Dr. Anthony Pulice. Photos By Jim Jacek.

Dr. Gabriella Runco



**By: Jim Jacek**

The Allen Park Chamber of Commerce Chamber Member of the week is The Joint Chiropractic. They are located at 23031 West Outer Drive in Allen Park.

Joint Chiropractic had a ribbon cutting on August 29, 2022. Whether you are seeking relief from everyday aches and pains or looking to maintain a healthy, active life, they can help. You may run into Dr.

Anthony Pulice or Dr. Gabriella Runco when you are being treated there. You can reach them at (313) 551-5850 or by email at allenpark@thejoint.com. The website is www.thejoint.com

## CABRINI VOLLEYBALL

# CABRINI JV & VARSITY VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

**From: Sara Forystek, Cabrini Athletic Director**

Congratulations to the JV volleyball team who defeated Our Lady of the Lakes on August 24, by a score of 2-0.

Congratulations also goes out to the

varsity volleyball team who defeated Our Lady of the Lakes, 25-18, 25-27, 28-26 and 25-18 last night. Mary Schantz led the attack with 18 kills followed by Clare Villarreal with 5 kills and a 100% serving night, serving 18

for 18 and Ellie Heath served 24 for 25 with 5 aces. Sofia Zelenak had 30 assists on the night and our tremendous blocking was led by Carly Roth, Maeve O'Connell and Niamh O'Connell.



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## SHRED DAY

Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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# LAFCU's reading program for kids plays Jackson Field Sept. 11

## Fascinating baseball history read by Lansing Lugnuts players, broadcaster will get kids excited about reading



gram offers recorded readings of children's books on the credit union's YouTube channel, <http://bit.ly/LAFCU-L-L>, and by phone, 517.622.6789. Volunteer readers are encouraged to sign up at <https://bit.ly/LAFCUVolunteers>.

The Lansing Lugnuts are the High-A affiliate of the Oakland Athletics. Featured in USA Today and on CNN for their successes, the Lugnuts make their home at Jackson Field in Lansing. More information is at [www.lansinglugnuts.com](http://www.lansinglugnuts.com).

LAFCU invites kids and their families to join the Lansing Lugnuts in reading fascinating stories about baseball at LAFCU's Listen & Learn: Baseball with the Lansing Lugnuts, Sunday, Sept. 11.

The Michigan credit union is partnering with the Lugnuts and Quality Dairy to encourage kids aged 12 and under to read.

The event includes a Q&A session and giveaways. It starts at 12:15 p.m., before the Lugnuts face the Dayton Dragons. Tickets to the game are required for admission.

"Celebrating reading at the ballpark may be unexpected, but it's a great way to show kids that reading is fun and that it can expand one's world," said Kelli Ellsworth Etchison, LAFCU chief marketing officer and chief diversity officer. "The broad reach of baseball facts in this book is sure to capture the attention of even non-sports enthusiasts.

"We are honored that the Lansing Lugnuts and Quality Dairy share our passion for supporting education as a way to strengthen our community."

Lansing Lugnuts broadcaster Jesse Goldberg-Strassler and select players will read excerpts of "WHO GOT GAME? BASEBALL Amazing But True Stories!" written by Derrick Barnes and illustrated by John John Bajet. The Q&A session will be about the book and baseball. QD will provide a giveaway for the kids, and attendees have a chance to win 2023 Lansing Lugnuts tickets and copies of the 176-page featured children's book.

Barnes wrote the book to shine light on little-known pillars in baseball, which he does through 45 stories about unique records, personalities and anecdotes rarely mentioned in popular baseball lore.

The stories include records for the longest professional game — 8 hours, 25 minutes — and the player hit by the most pitches in one season — 51. Among other anecdotes, the book reveals the player who hit more home runs than Hank Aaron, Babe Ruth or Barry Bonds, the 17-year-old girl who struck out Ruth and Lou Gehrig, and the four African Americans

who integrated white teams decades before Jackie Robinson.

"In baseball, practice makes perfect," said Tyler Parsons, Lansing Lugnuts general manager. "The same is true about reading. The more you read, the more you learn and the greater your chances of success.

"The book is a home-run read for the entire family. There's even a Lansing connection in it."

Parsons noted that families will want to come early and stay late, as Sept. 11 is also Capital City Market Kids Day where kids are invited to run the bases after the game, and there is a soft baseball giveaway.

"WHO GOT GAME?" is the first non-fiction work by the award-winning author. Barnes' has earned Newbery, Caldecott and Coretta Scott King Author honors, the 2018 Ezra Jack Keats New Writer Award, and in 2020 received a second Kirkus Prize for Young Readers award — the first author to do so.

Supporting the credit union philosophy of "People Helping People," LAFCU created the Listen &

Learn Program in response to the pandemic to provide a fun, new option for kids up to age 12 to learn, listen, read and

interact. More information is at [www.lafcu.com/read](http://www.lafcu.com/read).

In addition to live events, the LAFCU Listen & Learn Pro-

Wayne County Presents: October 15, 2022  
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection

**Examples of Acceptable Items**

Household paints, stains, dyes	Antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline
Floor wax, floor care products, carpet cleaner	Automotive batteries and dry cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs (all types)
Furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, solvents	Fire extinguishers, smoke detectors
Pharmaceutical Waste (NON-CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ONLY)	Mercury thermometers, thermostats, elemental mercury and electronics recycling
Nail polish, glue	Computer CPU's, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice
Fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals,	Cell phones, fax machines, copiers, and televisions

Only household generated products from Wayne County residents will be accepted. Items that will not be accepted include: commercial waste, industrial waste, radioactive material, explosives, ammunition, 55 gallon drums, household trash, refrigerators, microwaves or other appliances, tires, yard waste, roofing shingles, & concrete. For information on how to dispose of these items, please contact the Wayne County Resource Recovery Coordinator at 734-326-3936.

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### Pets of the Week

 <b>Lucy</b> Female, Adult American Staffordshir...	 <b>Tucker</b> Male, Young Chow Chow / Husky	 <b>Rusty</b> Male, Adult Chihuahua	 <b>Daisy</b> Female, Adult American Staffordshir...	 <b>Jam</b> Female, Kitten Domestic Shorthair
 <b>Tucker</b> Male, Kitten Domestic Shorthair	 <b>Trevor</b> Male, Kitten Domestic Shorthair	 <b>Onyx</b> Male, Young American Pit Bull Terri...	 <b>Creed</b> Male, Adult German Shepherd Do...	 <b>Ice</b> Female, Kitten Domestic Shorthair
 <b>Remy</b> Male, Young American Staffordshir...	 <b>Winnie</b> Female, Adult Domestic Shorthair	 <b>Tanya</b> Female, Young Domestic Shorthair	 <b>Sally</b> Female, Senior Domestic Shorthair	 <b>King/Kane</b> Male, Adult American Staffordshir...

Wayne County Department of Public Services Presents:

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection Voucher

**Step 1:** Wayne County residents can obtain one voucher per household by: visiting 3600 Commerce Court Building E Wayne, MI 48184 M-F 8 am to 4 pm., contacting the Environmental Services Division of Wayne County at 734-326-5708 or [ESGHelp@waynecounty.com](mailto:ESGHelp@waynecounty.com), or your local municipal public works department.

**There is a limited supply of vouchers, which will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis.**

**Step 2:** Next take your County issued voucher, along with acceptable items, to ERG Environmental Services.

<b>Drop Off Days &amp; Times</b> M-F 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	<b>Drop Off Location</b> ERG Environmental Services 13040 Merriman Road Livonia, MI 48150
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**Examples of Acceptable Items**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Household paints, stains, dyes</li> <li>Floor wax, floor care products, carpet cleaner</li> <li>Furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, solvents</li> <li>Non-controlled pharmaceutical waste</li> <li>Nail polish, glue</li> <li>Fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline</li> <li>Automotive batteries and dry cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs (all types)</li> <li>Fire extinguishers, smoke detectors</li> <li>Mercury thermometers, thermostats, elemental mercury and electronics recycling</li> <li>Computer CPU's, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice</li> <li>Cell phones, fax machines, copiers and televisions</li> </ul>
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**Questions?**  
Contact John Demerjian at (734)-326-5708 or [jdemerjian@waynecounty.com](mailto:jdemerjian@waynecounty.com)

**Public Services**



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From: Jim Jacek

The Allen Park Street Fair was held on August 5 and August

6 on Allen Road. The headlining bands were Phoenix Theory and Cruizin' Jupiter. Several Allen Park business-

es had a booth to showcase their products and services. This was also the 40th Anniversary of the street fair!



# Allen Park Public Library

8100 Allen Rd. Allen Park, MI 48101 313-381-2425 www.allenparklibrary.org

## Fall Hours Begin

As summer ends the Allen Park Public Library is expanding the hours the building is open as well as curbside appointments.

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday the library will be open from 10:00am until 8:00pm

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday the library will be open from 10:00am until 3:00pm

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# Michigan Philharmonic launches 77th season featuring bevy of exceptional concerts

*“Together in Music” kicks off with September concert in Garden City*

Michigan’s premier regional orchestra returns this fall with another historic season of live performances, new concert venues, world premieres, special Veteran’s Day and Earth Day concerts and much more.

With the upcoming 2022-2023 season, the Michigan Philharmonic enters its 77th successful year bringing live professional symphonic music to concert-goers across the region. It also marks the 24th season for current Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn.

Beginning at a new venue in Garden City in September and running through April with a return to Plymouth Salem High School’s newly renovated arts auditorium, the new season is titled “Together in Music” to remind music lovers of how music can unite a community.

Concert goers will experience a series of wonderful concerts dedicated to the community, including world premieres, renowned guest artists

and composers, Halloween and Holiday Pops performances, a tribute to America’s veterans (for November’s Veterans Day), a “legacy” concert featuring famed Broadway composer Jerry Herman (February 2023) and a celebration of our planet on Earth Day (April 22, 2023).

The season begins at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24 with “Enchanting Nights,” featuring famed pianist Anastasia Rizikov who made one of her early debuts with the Phil and has been delayed in returning for three years due to the pandemic. The opener also features Rimsky-Korsakov’s “Scheherazade” and a world premiere by Dianne Hartman. It will be performed at the Edwin O’Leary Performing Arts Center in Garden City.

In October, the Phil offers “Phright Night,” a haunting Halloween-themed evening at the PARC auditorium in Plymouth. Planned for 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, the evening includes a great array

of movie music and more.

For November, the Phil honors veterans with “Our American Heroes,” a concert on Veterans Day (Friday, Nov. 11). The 7:30 p.m. performance will take place at Saint Kenneth Church in Plymouth and include Aaron Copland’s tribute to Abraham Lincoln (with Peter Whorf narrating), William Grant Still’s tribute to African-American soldiers of the Civil War and a special piece by Jennifer Higdon, “Cold Mountain Suite.”

What would December be without our annual “Holiday Pops with the Phil” concert at the Penn Theatre? Two performances will feature classic holiday music and some special surprises on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Kicking off 2023 is the return of the popular “Miniature Masterpieces,” this time featuring “Magical Mahler” and held in the St. John’s Chapel on Sunday, Jan. 22 beginning at 2 p.m. The Mahler performance

features soprano Audrey Kline, and look for a special piece by composer Jimmy Lopez Bellido, “Avec Swing for Chamber Ensemble.”

In February, it’s time for very special evening: “Jerry Herman: The Broadway Legacy Concert,” again in Garden City O’Leary performance center. Planned for Saturday, Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. this unique night features classics by the composer behind such classics as “Hello Dolly” and “La Cage aux Folles.” The concert is a “don’t miss” event showcasing four top New York vocalists alongside the Philharmonic.

The Philharmonic’s March concert is “Music in 3-D – Dvorak, Dai and Draughn,” at the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth on Sunday, March 19. The 2 p.m. concert features a special piece by young Chinese composer Dai Wei and a harp concertino with the Phil’s own Maurice Draughn.

The final concert of the season is Satur-

day, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. “Overture to Our Earth” is a special Earth Day celebration at Salem High School in Canton and features a world premiere oboe piece by Erik Santos with the Phil’s Chris Wheeler. Also planned are Jessica Hunt’s “The Eagle Tree” and Ottorino Respighi’s “Pines of Rome.” The Phil’s youth orchestra will be on the stage that evening along with the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Brass Players.

Founded in 1945 as the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, today the Michigan Philharmonic is one of the most highly-respected regional orchestras showcasing classical and pop music in southeast Michigan communities throughout the year.

Throughout its 76 years, the “Michigan Phil” has worked tirelessly on behalf of the community. Besides presenting a full season of concerts and programs, the Philharmonic partners with several school districts, the Wayne County

Community College District, the Huron Clinton Metroparks, Brighton Center for the Performing Arts and the Detroit River Conservancy – Parks Division for performances throughout southeast Michigan. The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra provides young musicians numerous opportunities to hone their skills and take part in an array of programs and performances.

In its role to reach young people, the Philharmonic is also launching a new concert series designed for young children called “Tiny Tunes: Music for Little Ears.” The four-concert series begins on Saturday, Sept. 17 at PARC’s Jack Wilcox Theater.

All Philharmonic concert dates, times and locations are subject to change and guidelines as required by state health officials.

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## Bestmaze Corn Maze FINAL SEASON - A cross state gas pipeline project will put an end to Mid Michigan’s favorite corn maze.

**From: Mark Benjamin owner and designer of Bestmaze mark@bestmaze.com**

After 22 years of operation along I-96 in Williamston, Bestmaze will cease to exist after this season. A \$550 million pipeline project going from Chelsea to Ovid will cross the farm in 2023 and take out the maze’s parking lot. A 14 feet wide by 8 feet deep trench will cut a mile long gash through the owners farm to install the new 36” diameter pipe and make operation of maze impractical for 2023 and 2024. So this is your last chance to conquer a favorite fall activity of Mid-Michigan. Opening the 2022 season on Friday Sept. 16 the maze will run until Oct. 30. The mazes ticket booth will be open Friday night’s 6-10 pm, Saturday 1-10pm and Sundays 1-8pm. New this year will be an onsite app to track your progress via your phone. A “fog” will cover the map and disappear as you walk down the paths revealing where you have been but not the paths ahead of you.

Bestmaze opened in

2001 with a Great Lakes Theme carving a lighthouse, freighter, and hot air balloon into the maze. Other years they carved themes of space, dinosaurs, Smokey Bear turning 75, Cruise ships, knights and dragons, The Wild West, King Tut, Pirates, Under the Sea, and more. For the final maze theme Bestmaze is going out with a roar, VIKINGS! People will enter the maze and enter the Viking Longship, then off through the maze to find Odin’s Raven, the Viking with his sword and shield. Then into the three triangles and Thor’s Hammer before exiting. Customers told the owners to change their name to Bestmaze during the first year of operation. The maze won several public “favorites” voting events for mazes over the years. Bestmaze is unique because they have underground drainage and also hand rake all the trails to shed water. Even after a heavy rain the trails are not muddy while other mazes are a mud bog. The maze is designed and installed by the owner; not hired

out to an out of state company that cuts mazes all over the nation.

Upon news spreading on Facebook of the last season, past guests are already sending messages of sorrow to hear the maze will end.

Bestmaze has been a fall tradition for families as well as a surprising number of first dates. The maze has also been the scene of a few marriage proposals, family reunions, office parties, birthday parties,

youth groups and college events. Many say they are making a special effort to attend this year for one last tour through their favorite corn maze. Customers are encouraged to see [www.bestmaze.com](http://www.bestmaze.com) for

more info. A new food truck will be onsite and all food truck profits will fund the truck to become a traveling soup kitchen for areas hungry this winter.



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sic Director & Conductor since 1999, has won 19 ASCAP Awards for Adventurous Programming of Contemporary Music from the League of American Orchestras.

In 2019 the Michigan Philharmonic was awarded Second Place in the American Prize for Professional Orchestras. The orchestra performs in an ever-expand-

ing roster of Michigan communities; including Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Livonia, Brighton, Downtown Detroit, and many others. The Michigan Phil is committed to

reaching out to a broad and diverse array of audiences and providing enjoyable cultural and social experiences, while encouraging anyone who loves live music events to “Spend

the night with Michigan Phil.”

For tickets and more information, please visit [www.michiganphil.org](http://www.michiganphil.org) or call (734) 451-2112.

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