



Bike Night at Pin Crest

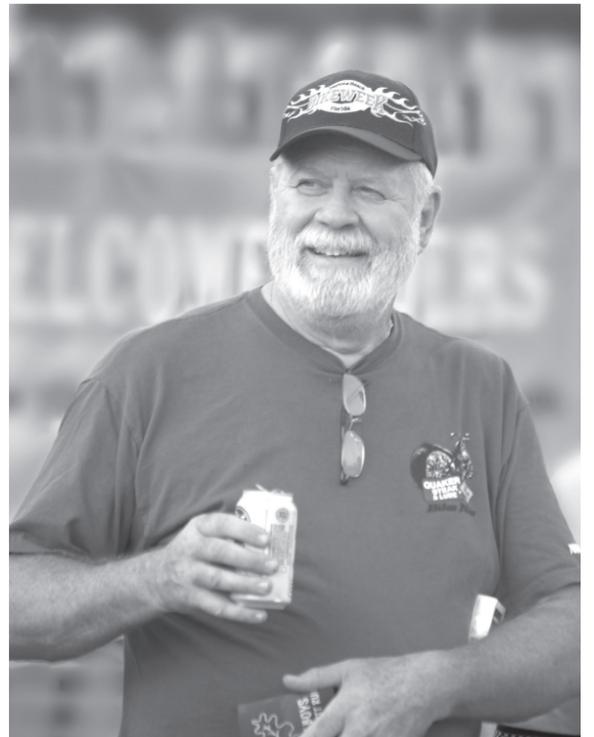
By Mary Weimer

Bike Night will again be held at Pin Crest Lanes in Fruitport on Thursday nights from 4 to 10 p.m. beginning June 2, 2011. The event includes a burn out pit, trophies and prizes.

There is no cost to participate.

Last year, the events raised over \$500, and it was given to The People Center in Spring Lake with the money designated to be used for their clients from the Fruitport area. This year's proceeds will also go to The People Center.

Bike Night continues for about 12 weeks.



Energy champions learning series

(Submitted by The Right Place, Inc.)

The Right Place, Inc. is a regional non-profit economic development organization founded in 1985 and supported through investments from the private and public sector. Its mission is to promote wealth creation and economic growth in the areas of quality employment, productivity and innovation in West Michigan by developing jobs through leading business retention, expansion and attraction efforts.

The Right Place, Inc./Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center-West is offering a new learning series to help lead your organization on a path toward environmentally sustainable business practices by increasing bottom-line profits through energy efficiency.

The Energy Champions will help you lower your environmental impact and show you how to measure your cost savings to give your company a clear competitive advantage.

Participants will

- Receive supporting reference materials and energy assessment guides
- Identify high-priority energy efficient options for their organization

- Develop an energy efficiency action plan for their organization
- Be expected to attend all five sessions to achieve full value.

Targeted participants include individuals from Manufacturing facilities, commercial/retail enterprises, Institutional organizations, and governments.

The Energy Champions learning series is presented in five 2-hour sessions starting on June 22 from 8 to 10 a.m. Cost is \$275 for the five sessions.

Session One: June 22 is Energy Accounting and Management Systems

Session Two: July 6 is Energy Audits and Building Envelop

Session Three: July 20 is HVAC and Lighting Systems

Session Four: August 3 is Motots and Equipment Loads

Session Five: August 17 is How to Create a Company/Organization-Specific Plan

The learning series is being co-hosted by Grand Rapids Community College. Participants will meet at the GRCC Tassell M-Tec, 622 Godfrey SW, room 203 in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Please contact Amy Winkler to register at winklera@rightplace.org.



Free business counseling is available

(Submitted by the Muskegon Area Chamber of Commerce)

The Muskegon Chapter of SCORE offers personal one-on-one business counseling, free mentoring workshops, and other resources to entrepreneurs and small business owners in West Michigan. If you are looking for assistance with how to start a business, the preparation of a business plan, accounting and taxes, marketing and loan applications, SCORE can help.

Visit scoremuskegon.org to find additional information and "linked" resources to assist you in starting a business or in meeting the challenges your current business offers.

Call the Muskegon Area Chamber of Commerce today at (231) 722-3751 to make an appointment with an experienced SCORE counselor to discuss your business plans in a confidential setting and at no cost to you.

Bethel Baptist Church welcomes interim pastor

(Submitted by Bethel Baptist Church of Fruitport)

Bethel Baptist Church of Fruitport welcomes Dr. Dwayne Adams as its interim pastor. Pastor Adams' interim role began in March and continues through December, 2011.

Dr. Adams has served as college, singles, and senior pastor and most recently as Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Cornerstone University, where he taught for ten years. Dr. Adams is a graduate of Kalamazoo College and Dallas Theological Seminary.

Dr. Adams and his wife, Dianne, have been long-time members at Bethel. They have two adult children, Jessica, a recent graduate of Grand Rapids Seminary; and Tim, a senior at Cornerstone University.

Pastor Adams sees as his primary goal to help the church celebrate its values and its history as it orients itself in a new way for its future mission in the community.



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Buy, sell or trade disability equipment

(Submitted by North Ottawa County Council on Aging)

People with disabilities who want to buy, sell, trade or donate tools or equipment can do so through the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition's (MDRC) website, www.ATXchange.org.

The site focuses on the exchange of assistive technology, which includes any equipment that improves life for people with disabilities, such as walkers, power scooters, Braille machines and software that reads computer screens out loud. Classified ads on the site are free.

Visitors to www.ATXchange.org will find 10 categories where they can post free classified ads with a description and/or picture of the item for sale or donation. Visitors can also search for needed items, post want ads, and request an e-mail alert when a needed item is listed. Transactions are handled directly between sellers and buyers. The site does not list items that could pose a hygiene risk, allow equipment vendors to list new items, or allow advertising.

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