

# COMMUNITY

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

ADRIAN

**Budgeting Basics classes**

Community Action Agency is offering Budgeting Basics classes for those struggling to maintain a family budget. One session provides participants with the necessary tools to create and stick to a budget. Two-hour Budgeting Basics classes are scheduled for 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 29, Oct. 20 and Nov. 17, at the CAA Learning Center at 324 W. South St. For more information, and to register, call Julie at 263-786.

ADRIAN

**GFWC plans fall meeting**

GFWC Lenawee will have its fall meeting on Oct. 27 at the Adrian District Library, 143 E. Maumee St. Registration is at 10:15 and meeting at 10:30 a.m. There will be a catered lunch for \$10. The focus will be on helping the homeless of Lenawee County. Elizabeth Salerno, interim director of Housing Help of Lenawee, will be the speaker. Club members are asked to bring paper products for Share the Warmth. For lunch reservations call Betty Camp. at 448-8305, before Oct. 17.

ADRIAN

**New classes being scheduled Adrian Center for the Arts**

The Adrian Center for the Arts (ACA, 2300 N. Adrian Highway, on the former Adrian Training School property, is offering a new session of classes beginning the first week of November. Multiple-week classes ranging from two weeks to six weeks, in addition to one-day workshops, are available for adults and children in ceramics, painting and drawing, woodworking and needle felting. Two new studios were recently opened at the center. Class offerings include lamp glassblowing, where beadmaking will be taught by Sue Matych-Hager, and letterpress, which is using hand set, movable type on antique presses, taught by well-known letterpress authority Phil Driscoll and former Washtenaw Community College professor Kristine Willmann. For specific class listings and registration visit the ACA website at AdrianCenterForTheArts.org. For further information call 517-270-6458.

**WHO'S DOING WHAT**

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

**Adrian native honored with lifesaving award**

Drew Bailey, a 2010 graduate of Adrian High School, was presented with a 2016 Heroism Award during a Patriot Day breakfast on Sept. 11, hosted by the Central Florida Hotel Lodging Association (CFHLA). Bailey was honored for saving a man's life. She was the only civilian among several lifesaving award winners from the area's police, sheriff and fire department personnel. Bailey is the food and beverage operations manager for the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World, a Marriot Hotel. She attended Johnson and Whales University in Colorado for a year then transferred to Johnson and Whales in North Carolina, and was hired by Marriott Hotels shortly after her graduation.

**CLUBS BEAT**

**Red Hat Mamas**

The September Red Hat Mamas pokeno fun time took place at the home of Mary Dalton. Pokeno and dessert highlighted the evening. Those present were Kay Blair, hostess Mary Dalton, Sharon Hickman, Red Jacobs, Sharon Neal, Dorothy Pigg and Jane Stevens. The October pokeno night will take place at the home of Red Jacobs.

**Duplicate Bridge**

Tim Berges and Dorean Bare were first-place winners Monday night at the weekly ACBL bridge games. Coming in second were Jim Anderson and Bob Ploegstra. Tying for third place were the teams of Anne Gascoigne and Walt Magee, Bonnie Hampton and Jan McCrady. Fourth place went to Bob Smith and Dick Livesey. All bridge players are welcome to join the group at 6:30 p.m. Mondays in Dominican Hall on the Siena Heights University campus.

LYONS, OHIO

**Solidarity celebration at Universalist Church**

Solidarity with Standing Rock, an event in support of clean water and the Standing Rock Sioux tribe's protest against an oil pipeline in North Dakota, is planned for 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, at Lyons Universalist Church, 145 E. Morenci St. All are welcome. Todd Harder will be the featured speaker and there will be a drumming. Harder will also sell "Solidarity with Standing Rock" T-shirts and hats that he prints at his Red Paint Printing in Adrian. The Dakota Access pipeline is planned to cross the Missouri River near the tribe's reservation. For more information about the Solidarity event contact Larry Hutchison at 352-949-1601.

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**Flea market at fairgrounds**

A flea market and antiques show is planned for Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 in the event center at the Jackson County Fairgrounds, 200 W. Ganson St. Shoppers will find all types of collectibles, signs, sweatshirts and T-shirts, hunting and fishing equipment. Food concessions will be available. Sale hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Admission is \$3, free for children under 12 with a paid adult. Parking is free. For more information call 517-524-8899.

JACKSON

**WWII memories from a Navy gunner's mate**

Don Mericle, who served as a U.S. Navy gunner's mate, will discuss his experiences during World War II at the next "In Their Own Words" program sponsored by the Carnegie Library of Jackson. The program takes place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at the First United Methodist Church, 275 W. Michigan Ave. Mericle served aboard the USS Cofer APD-62. He will talk about his assignment on the Destroyer escort, invasions and rescues during his enlistment. There will also be a collection of World War II memorabilia on display. The program is free and open to the public. The "In Their Own Words" programs are arranged by WWII veteran Larry Martin. For more information contact Martin at batt.chief@yahoo.com

Sondra Villegas. A potluck dinner, with grilled hot dogs, was preceded with a prayer by Ed Soto. Special entertainment was provided by Bill Butts on the harmonica. Ruben Villegas sang and played several numbers on his accordion. Carolyn Hall won the money/candy guessing game. Those attending were Bill and Lila Butts, Marv and Doris Fike, Ralph and Nancy Fraley, Wayne and Carolyn Hall, Ron and Sue Hess, Joe and Red Jacobs, Kay and Laura Joseph, Ed and Mary Ann Soto, Bud and Kim Swank, Ruben and Sondra Villegas, Jim and Toni Wright with their grandson, Derrek White. Plans are being made for the 2017 picnic.

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**John Deere Scholarship winner**

The National FFA Organization recently awarded a \$2,000 John Deere Dealer Scholarship to Brianna Weimer, a 2016 graduate of Tecumseh High School. She was honored for her work as a student at the Lenawee Tech Center. The scholarship is sponsored by Bader & Sons of Tecumseh as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. Weimer plans to use the funds to pursue a degree at Michigan State University.

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**Madison Meadows' residents gather for picnic**

The ninth annual Madison Meadows picnic took place Sept. 24 at the home of Ruben and

DEAR ABBY

## Wife in sexless marriage is tempted by outside offer

**DEAR ABBY:** I've been in a committed relationship for 19 years, and have been married for three years. My husband is wonderful, except he has absolutely no sex drive. And of course, in the true nature of opposition, mine is off the charts.



JEANNE PHILLIPS

I have met another man who is in a loveless marriage. He says they don't have intimate relations, and she knows he has had "flings" over the years. He has asked me to be his newest "friend with benefits." He's attractive, employed, and wants only a physical relationship. (I suspect their marriage is tied to his business, but I'm not sure.)

I'm honestly tempted, because I'm lonely in that regard. No marriage is perfect, by any means, but am I biting off more than I can chew even if I get my husband's permission (which he would likely give), and assuming this man is telling the truth about his wife? What to do? — **DESPERATE IN THE NORTH**

**DEAR DESPERATE:** While some open marriages have been known to work if the husband and wife are willing, I hesitate to recommend it. You describe yourself as desperate. You MUST be desperate to consider becoming someone's latest "fling."

Did your husband's low sex drive exist before your marriage, or is it something new? If it is

recent, there may be medical help for his problem — if he is willing to talk to his doctor about it. Please suggest it before you do anything else.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am in a new relationship (six months) with a man who treats me like gold. He's kind, affectionate and a great man, except for one thing.

His office building is right next to mine, which is how we met. During work hours I'm extremely busy and don't generally have time to hang out or take breaks. If I do, it may be to run a quick errand or grab a sandwich with a co-worker.

Abby, I have worked here for eight years, and I don't invite ANYONE to socialize during work hours. He texts me that he's outside my building, or he says he just dropped by to say "hi" or "bye." If he sees me pull in at my office, he will wave me down or jog over to walk me to work.

My professional life has always been separate from my personal life. I need my work hours to myself, and I have told him this numerous times. I have asked him not to come by

and explained that my 9-to-5 is for work. He just doesn't get it.

I don't want to end my relationship over this, but I love my job. It is important that I be focused at work. I don't think it's appropriate to be hugging, kissing and embracing in front of my office. We see each other after work every day. Please give me a solution, because I am at my wits' end! — **WANTS TO WORK ALONE**

**DEAR WANTS TO WORK ALONE:** Because you have told this man repeatedly that you aren't comfortable with him dropping by during work hours or engaging in public displays of affection where you can be observed, it's time to "up the ante." The next time it happens, tell him you think he's terrific, but if he can't respect your work ethic and your boundaries, it might jeopardize your relationship.

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*Good advice for everyone is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$7 to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447.*

**MARRIAGES**

The following couples applied for marriage licenses at the Lenawee County Clerk's Office:  
Justin David-Allen Pate, 26, and Jennifer Sue Pawson, 21, Manitow Beach.  
Alice Lynn Anderson, 44, Tecumseh, and Lee Alexander Bernal, 49, Kalamazoo.  
Jessica Deleon, 32, and James Brian Rodriguez, 36, both Adrian.  
Leia Marie Rouse, 26, and Adam Cletus Garlick, 26, both Blissfield.  
Kendall Lynn Sweet, 45, and Bryan Scott Barkway, 46, both Clayton.  
Zachari James Broughman, 24, and Keely Nichelle Sanders, 23, both Cement City.  
Richard Dean Sweet, 57, and Barbara Ann Sweet, 51, both Adrian.  
Marc Wayne Garrison, 53, and Doris Marie Luce, 55, both Adrian.  
Paul Michael Dye, 57, and Michelle Marie Roderick, 53, both Adrian.  
Jennifer Ann Lopez-Kandik, 42, and Brian Arthur Gilmore, 41, both Clinton.

Kayla Danielle Brackelman, 25, and Fernando Ramirez Jr., 29, both Adrian.  
Robert Blaine Wolfe, 82, and Marlene Nancy Skeels, 81, both Palmyra.  
Justin Todd North and Sarah Ann Souders, 30, both Adrian.  
Herbert Newton Hood, 84, and Barbara Ann Hood, 83, both Manitow Beach.  
Joanna Jean Hoover, 38, and Michael Bradley Bodman, 46, both Tecumseh.  
Courtney Renae Walter, 23, Hudson and Grant Thomas Benschoter, 23, Adrian.  
Dalton James Vasbinder, 21, and Mariah Kristine Griesinger, 20, both Blissfield.  
Celia Elise Coopshaw, 23, Blissfield and Nicolas Eugene Wilson, 23, Morenci.  
Mykel Chaz Ray Ybarra, 26, Adrian and Megan Marie Dupree, 20, Taylor.  
Nicholas Scott Howard, 23, and Samantha Joy Davis, 22, both Adrian.

**DIVORCES**

The following couples were recently granted divorces in Lenawee County Circuit Court:  
Tiffany Doreen and Joshua David Small.  
Rose Mary Spencley-Gallegos and

Carlos L. Gallegos.  
Erik D. and Amber N. Clymer.  
Mark A. and Barbara J. Stewart.  
Ann Elizabeth Sundin and Mauro Mulas.  
Jeffery and Amanda Scroggins.

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