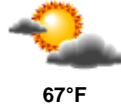


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More Than 2 Dozen Candidates To Attend Forum On Early Childhood Ed



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July 19, 2010 | WGUV The Great Start Parent Coalition of Kent County is a group of parents and local professionals working with a non-profit organization to support young children. They're expecting more than 2 dozen candidates running for either a state house or senate seat in the county to attend their event focusing on what candidates will do to boost support for and sustain early childhood education.

Last year lawmakers cut funding for a program that offered free preschool and headstart for several thousand kids statewide. Proponents of those program point to research that shows the investment in kids early on pays off for local and state governments in a number of ways.

The event is set for Tuesday, July 20th from 7-8:30p.m. at Fredrick Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park. More information is posted on the group's [webpage](#).

More WGUV News

Today

Michigan Council On Great Lakes Wind Holds Public Meeting At GVSU Tuesday

Grand Rapids MI July 20, 2010 | WGUV Tuesday night West Michigan residents will have the chance to voice their opinions on the possibility of wind farms in the Great Lakes

Man Charged In Disappearance Wants To Dump Lawyers

Grand Rapids MI July 20, 2010 | AP A man facing a possible federal death penalty in western Michigan says he wants to represent himself.

Whirlpool Project Set For State Tax Incentives

Benton Harbor MI July 20, 2010 | AP The Michigan Economic Growth Authority is expected to approve state tax incentives for a major building and consolidation project by Whirlpool Corp. in southwest Michigan.

Motorcyclist Crashes, Dies After Hitting Buzzard

Bloomington MI July 20, 2010 | AP A wayward turkey buzzard caused a crash that killed an 18-year-old motorcyclist in southwestern Michigan.

Advisory Board Says Retain Michigan Genealogy Project

Lansing MI July 20, 2010 | AP An advisory board is recommending that current genealogy collections and resources remain at the Michigan Library and Historical Center.

Yesterday

Alpine TWP To Consider Zoning Amendment That Could Allow A Motocross Track

Alpine Township, MI July 19, 2010 | WGUV Alpine Township Officials will consider a special zoning amendment tonight that could help pave the way for a new motocross track.

Report Criticizes Handling Of GM, Chrysler Dealers

Washington DC July 19, 2010 | AP A government watchdog is criticizing the Treasury Department for urging General Motors and Chrysler to quickly reduce the size of their dealership networks - a move that cost jobs during the recession.

AAA Michigan: State Gas Prices Up 7.1 Cents

Dearborn MI July 19, 2010 | AP AAA Michigan says gasoline prices are up 7.1 cents per gallon over the past week to a statewide average of \$2.82.

Term Limits Cause High Turnover At State Capitol

July 19, 2010 | AP Michigan's term limits law is setting the stage for a lot of turnover in the state Legislature.

More Than 2 Dozen Candidates To Attend Forum On Early Childhood Ed

Grand Rapids, MI July 19, 2010 | WGUV Parents and others interested in early childhood programs will get a chance to meet their candidates for state office at an event Tuesday night.

Michigan Absentee Voters Can Track Ballots Online

July 19, 2010 | AP Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land said in a release Monday that



JULY 20, 2010 TV 35/D Absent voters who enter personal identification information at the Michigan Voter Information Center website will be able to track their ballot. [Blogger](#) [Facebook](#) [LinkedIn](#) [Twitter](#)

Michigan Gay, Lesbian Group Backs Bernero In Governor's Race

July 19, 2010 | AP Democratic gubernatorial candidate Virg Bernero says the discrimination his gay brother faced before dying of AIDS is one reason he strongly stands up for gay rights.

Rep. Mark Schauer's War Chest Dwarfs Challengers'

July 19, 2010 | AP Two Democratic congressional incumbents have far more cash on hand than their GOP opponents.

Cox Again Criticizes Hoekstra, This Time In New Ad

July 19, 2010 | AP Attorney General Mike Cox is running another ad criticizing Republican gubernatorial rival Pete Hoekstra, this one taking the congressman to task for missing chances to vote against federal health care changes.

5 Great Lakes States Sue Feds Over Asian Carp

July 19, 2010 | AP Five states are suing the federal government and Chicago's water department in federal court, demanding stronger action to keep Asian carp out of the Great Lakes.

Snyder Appeals To Non-Republicans To Win GOP Race

July 19, 2010 | AP Rick Snyder is asking Democrat and independents to help him win Michigan's Republican race for governor.

Granholtz Visits Cascade TWP Company That's Exporting To China

Cascade TWP, MI July 19, 2010 | WGUV Governor Granholtz toured a plant in Kent County Monday that's adding jobs to develop and manufacture electronic systems for jets.

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Friday

Lightning Strikes 4 At Christian Camp In Montcalm County

Montcalm County MI July 16, 2010 | AP Montcalm County Sheriff officials say four people were struck by lightning while attending church camp in Richland Township.

Michigan Launches Website Aimed At Bed Bug Control

Lansing MI July 16, 2010 | AP State health officials have launched a website on bed bugs, in response to what they say is widespread public concern about the bloodsucking insects.

Obama Appears To Knock Hoekstra At Battery Event

July 16, 2010 | AP President Barack Obama appears to have taken a shot at Republican U.S. Rep. Pete Hoekstra during his speech for the groundbreaking of a battery plant for electric cars.

Captured Kinross Inmates Serving Time For Murder

Kincheloe MI July 16, 2010 | AP State records show two Michigan prisoners captured after an escape attempt that left a third inmate dead were serving time for murder.

President Barack Obama In Holland For Groundbreaking

July 16, 2010 | WGUV President Barack Obama was in Holland today for a groundbreaking ceremony at a new advanced battery factory partially financed with federal grants. The new LG Chem plant will produce hundreds of thousands of battery packs for electric vehicles when it opens in 2012.

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Grand Valley, DeVries Development Agree To Property Sale

Grand Rapids MI July 16, 2010 | WGUV DeVries Development Properties LLC has agreed to sell its Front Street property to Grand Valley State University

GVSU Trustees Adopt Budget, Freeze Salaries, Set Tuition

Allendale MI July 16, 2010 | WGUV Grand Valley State University's Board of Trustees kept the state's challenged economy front and center when adopting the 2010-11 budget at its July 16 meeting.

Thursday

Michigan Antlerless Deer Licenses On Sale Thursday

Lansing MI July 15, 2010 | AP Michigan is selling hunting licenses for antlerless deer online and through vendors.

Turkey Factory Agrees To Settle Lawsuit Over Wages

July 15, 2010 | AP A Grand Rapids-area turkey processor has agreed to settle a lawsuit filed on behalf of workers who say they were entitled to be paid for the time it took to put on and remove protective clothing.

Court: Data Mandate On Michigan Schools Is Illegal

July 15, 2010 | AP The Michigan Supreme Court says it's illegal for school districts to be forced to collect data without the state paying the bill.

Group Files To Get Tea Party On Michigan Ballot

July 15, 2010 | AP A group has filed about 60,000 signatures with the Michigan secretary of state to get the Tea Party on the November ballot.

Bouchard Wants To Make Michigan A Right-To-Work State

July 15, 2010 | AP Republican gubernatorial candidate Mike Bouchard is launching a new TV ad saying Michigan should become a right-to-work state.

Holland Welcomes President Obama For Battery Plant Groundbreaking Today

Holland MI July 15, 2010 | WGUV President Obama is visiting west Michigan today. WGUV's Lindsey Smith reports the president will mark construction on the last of nine advanced battery manufacturing plants receiving funds from the Recovery Act passed last summer.

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Undated July 15, 2010 | AP Film historian elated after stumbling on Charlie Chaplin in 1914 Keystone Kops laugh fest.

[Listen](#) [Download](#)**Obama Touts Investment In Michigan Battery Plant**

Holland, MI July 15, 2010 | WGUV President Barack Obama says the groundbreaking for an electric vehicle battery plant in Michigan has more to do with building a better economic future for the U.S. than putting up another factory.

[Listen](#) [Download](#)**Congressional Candidates File Quarterly Reports**

July 15, 2010 | AP A slew of candidates running for congressional seats in Michigan are getting ready to file campaign finance reports.

Whirlpool To Build New Office Campus In Michigan

July 15, 2010 | AP Whirlpool will build a new campus in its hometown of Benton Harbor, Mich. over the next five years.

Wednesday**Urban Chickens Topic Of GR Public Hearing Tuesday**

Grand Rapids, MI July 14, 2010 | WGUV Grand Rapids City Commission heard mostly favorable opinions about a proposal that would allow residents to keep up to 5 chickens in their backyards.

Yellow Jug Old Drugs Initiative Spreads Across State

Undated July 14, 2010 | AP An organization dedicated to keeping old or expired medicines out of our water system will soon be moving into West Michigan. As WGUV's David Moore reports, it's the latest expansion for the Great Lakes Clean Water Organization .

[Listen](#) [Download](#)**Debate Features 4 Of 5 Michigan GOP governor Candidates**

Rochester MI July 14, 2010 | AP Four of the five Republicans competing to be Michigan's next governor have met for their final televised debate before the Aug. 3 primary.

Obama Aide Says UM Chief To Lead Innovation Panel

July 14, 2010 | AP U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke says University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman will help lead a new federal council on economic development through technology.

2 Michigan Counties Will Test Informal Divorces

July 14, 2010 | AP Divorces with no lawyers will be the subject of a three-year test in a pair of mid-Michigan counties.

Goo Goo Dolls Ask Fans To Bring Food Gifts To Show

July 14, 2010 | AP Give enough food and you might get a chance to meet the Goo Goo Dolls.

13-day Exploration Of The Grand River Kicking Off

July 14, 2010 | AP A 13-day exploration of the Grand River from its source near Jackson to its mouth at Lake Michigan begins this week.

Plane Crash Kills 4, Injures 1 In Upper Peninsula

July 14, 2010 | AP Authorities say a small plane crash on Interstate 75 in Michigan's Upper Peninsula has killed the pilot and three others.

Court: Michigan Medical Pot Law Isn't Retroactive

July 14, 2010 | AP The Michigan appeals court says the state's medical marijuana law can't be used retroactively to save people from drug charges.

Happy birthday President Ford!

Grand Rapids MI July 14, 2010 | WGUV Today marks what would have been the 97th birthday of former President Gerald R. Ford. To commemorate the occasion, friends and family members gathered at his tomb for a ceremony. WGUV's David Moore was there, and files this report.

[Listen](#) [Download](#)**Hastings Dentist Charged In Laughing Gas Case**

July 14, 2010 | AP Police say a Hastings dentist allowed non-patients to use nitrous oxide and used the gas himself, on and off the job.

Indiana Plans Barrier To Block Asian Carp's Spread

July 14, 2010 | AP State wildlife officials plan to install a mesh fence across a northeastern Indiana marsh aimed at preventing Asian carp from being able to reach waterways that lead to the Great Lakes.

Michigan's June Unemployment Rate Dips Slightly

July 14, 2010 | AP Michigan's unemployment rate has continued to drop while total employment is largely unchanged.

Holland To Consider 6-Month Moratorium On Medical Marijuana

Holland, MI July 14, 2010 | WGUV The city of Holland will consider a temporary ban of sorts on medical marijuana later this month. That's after the planning commission voted to recommend the changes Tuesday night.

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