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Panasonic Automotive

holds WDC events BIRMINGHAM - Panasonic Automotive invites cruisers to stop by its Party on the Avenue, on the west side of Woodward, just south of Brown Street, for refreshments and the opportunity to plug in and "rock out" on one of three vehicles equipped with the new Fender Automotive System by Panasonic from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 18.

A collaborative effort of Panasonic Automotive and Fender Musical Instruments Corporation, the Fender Automotive System by Panasonic allows drivers to plug an electric guitar into the system that features either seven or 12 speakers, multi-channel 500- or 700-watt amplifiers and effects processing. A Ford Mustang, Chevy HHR and Jeep Compass will be on display during the Woodward Dream Cruise.

Two Birmingham businesses support **Camp Casey**

BIRMINGHAM - Weir Manuel Realtors and Max & Erma's will lend property and proceeds to **Camp Casey**. During the Woodward Dream Cruise weekend, Weir Manuel will give up its parking lot so that **Camp Casey** can raise awareness and funds for their cause. **Camp Casey** will be handing out water and popcorn for donations, while also selling merchandise.

The following Thursday, Aug. 23, Max & Erma's is holding a benefit dinner in which 20 percent of the day's proceeds go to **Camp Casey**. Diners must have an official flier for their meal to count; fliers can be downloaded from www.camp-casey.org.

Camp Casey is a nonprofit organization that travels to horseback riding facilities throughout Michigan to provide a cost-free series of one-day retreats for children with cancer and their families.

For more information on Birmingham's support of **Camp Casey**, contact Lauren Maiman at (248) 514-2626 or Lauren-Maiman@Camp-Casey.org.

Church, chiropractor to help homeless

BIRMINGHAM - The First United Methodist Church in Birmingham hosted the South Oakland Shelter program during the week of Aug. 6-10, providing a home for the homeless. Dr. Heather Schueler, DC, CACCP, provided them with chiropractic care.

"Everyone deserves chiropractic care, no matter their financial situation. Chiropractic is my passion, and I feel like this is the most natural way for me to give back to the community," she said.

The First United Methodist Church in Birmingham has hosted the S.O.S. program for more than 18 years, and this was the first year a chiropractor provided services to the guests.

Schueler is a member of FUMC in Birmingham and practices in Lathrup Village at O'Dell Family Chiropractic.

West Bloomfield author to sign book at Borders

BIRMINGHAM - West Bloomfield writer, journalist, and dual citizen of the United States and Italy Karen Tintori will autograph copies of her latest book, "Unto the Daughters," on Aug. 15 at 7 p.m. at Borders Birmingham. Tintori's other books include "Trapped" and "The Book of Names."

Borders is located at 34300 Woodward Ave. in Birmingham. For more information, call (248) 203-0005.

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