

# Lakeview Area News

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## TOWN TOPICS

We hope everyone got out and voted on Tuesday. Voting is our right and a privilege.

We are excited about introducing a new feature. August 20 will be the first installment of our Agriculture News section. It will highlight news about our local farming community and will run every other week.

Hobby Lobby and Five Below have opened in Greenville in part of the old K-Mart building. The long-awaited opening of Hobby Lobby occurred last Friday. Neighboring stores, Marshalls and Sketchers, will be opening soon.

Rumor has it that a Biggy Coffee will be opening at M-57 and Lincoln Lake Road. Date to be announced.



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## Summer Forecast

Thurs., partly cloudy, high 78, low 55; Fri., mostly sunny, high 81, low 58; Sat., mostly sunny, high 84, low 65; Sun., am thunderstorms, high 86, low 69; Mon., isolated thunderstorms, high 87, low 65; Tues., am thunderstorms, high 84, low 62.



## MIP Scores Big



New Third Coast entertained at Lakeview's Music in the Park

By Joe Tilton

Strong praise was heard about "New Third Coast," the trio who played and sang for Music in the Park on Wednesday the 29th, but they were still a surprise; a good surprise.

Ask anybody on earth what good music is, and there's a different opinion from every one, but somehow, New Third Coast brings more consensus to the term "good music" than most anybody who has played for Lakeview's audiences.

The first thing noticed was; no drums. Still, amid the three voices and six instruments, a "kick"

was heard keeping precise rhythm to the power-folk, self-described group. During the single set of 19 songs, the desire to go up there and find the origin of the bass-drum sound was strong. The only thing making sense was the bass player's right foot tapping in rhythm. Sure enough, it's called a "Porch-Floor Bass," which is plugged into the sound system, authentically replicating a bass drum sounding every down beat.

But, that wasn't the only curiosity. They mixed two acoustic guitars with a four-string electric bass to open the show, which was "Find You a Home in the

Country." Immediately, the vocal blend was captivating in the Crosby, Stills & Nash style.

About the time a solid respect for lead guitar skills was established, keyboard styling on the Korg synthesizer was eyebrow rising, as if recognizing a comparable keyboard skill. But switching instruments didn't end there. The same lead-guitar player later picked up the five-string bass and kept going, handing the lead to the former bass player who now showed amazing skill on the mandolin. Dang! Where do we go from here?

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## Lakeview MSP Post Trooper Dies



Trooper Caleb Starr

By Joe Tilton

Trooper Caleb Starr, husband and father of two young daughters, died Friday of his injuries suffered in a head-on crash July 10th. The driver of the other car, Thomasina Shani Jones, is accused of driving drunk, as indicated below.

Starr, 33, is survived by his wife, Rachael, who is a civilian member of the MSP.

The crash happened in Boston Township in Ionia County. Around 10 p.m. that night, Starr was westbound on Grand River Avenue in his patrol vehicle when the other vehicle was traveling east, driven by a 28-year-old woman who crossed the centerline. Starr was

flown by helicopter to Spectrum Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids where he was being treated until he passed away.

"The Michigan State Police mourns the loss of not just a trooper, but a husband, father and dedicated public servant who had so much left to give in a life that was cut far too short," said Col. Joe Gasper, director of the MSP.

Funeral services are being planned, but details have not been released as of press time.

Charges were filed against the female driver. Jones was arrested at her Ionia home Monday morning and is being held at the Ionia County jail with no bond. Her arraignment was Monday afternoon. She had previously been listed as being from Utah, and now officials indicate her home is in Montezuma Creek, Utah. The list of charges include: homicide, murder second degree, operating with a high blood-alcohol content causing death with a prior conviction, operating while license suspended, revoked, denied causing death and operating while intoxicated.

## Coral Shooting

By Joe Tilton

Daniel Mark Myslenski, 31, a Coral resident, formerly of Sand Lake and Gowen, was found deceased in his residence in Coral on Thursday morning.

Myslenski was on the Thursday's Circuit Court Docket for sentencing in a drunk-driving death case, but did not appear. Two Michigan State Police troopers went to his residence about 7:45, along with a sheriff's deputy after a family member asked police assistance to check on his well being. Apparently, the man had made concerning statements about his court appearance and personal safety. The residence was near Coral Road and Bailey Road.

When officers arrived, they were allowed to enter a door in the garage area. As they began to enter, two gunshots were heard from inside. Officers and the family member retreated

from the residence to safety while summoning additional assistance as Myslenski was believed to be armed. Officers did not return fire, nor were they injured.

Additional help arrived from the MSP, Sheriff's Department and EMS Support Team. The area was secured with canine and bomb-squad personnel with specialized equipment, which included a special robot, which was deployed and sent inside.

Troopers attempted to establish communication with Myslenski following the gunshots, but there was no answer. And then just after 11 that morning, the deployed robot discovered Myslenski deceased with self-inflicted gunshot wounds. The man was alone in the residence.

No other injuries were reported.

After initial investigation, there was no indication Myslenski fired at officers.

## Howard City Music Festival



One of the groups performing at the festival

By Joe Tilton

Just as planned, the second-annual Howard City Music event happened as planned at the intersection of White and Edgerton Streets, downtown. Groups displaying various levels of talent entertained a crowd that numbered around 200, with their own chairs, and

grew as the Saturday afternoon progressed.

The Gitchel Family's 1950's tunes such as "Hey Good Lookin'" and "You are My Sunshine" got things going. Before Mark Swanson came to the stage, the Gitchel's ended with "Rock of Ages."

Mark Swanson performed "Sundown" and other classic rock num-

bers, and then the Frank Rymer Band brought Beach Boy's music, "Statue of a Fool" and Everly Brothers memories. Swanson will be performing at Lakeview's Music in the Park August 12th, so fans have another chance at enjoying this sound.

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