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Oakland County news: Horse rescuer's eviction delayed

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WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP: Horse rescuer's eviction delayed

The operator of a horse-rescue group said her bank decided not to evict her this week from the 70-acre property where she lives and boards 31 horses.

Joan Tucker, 51, said she is \$64,000 in arrears on her mortgage but learned Wednesday that she has been given an additional 30 days to find a new site for the Equine STAR Foundation.

To donate hay or help Tucker move, go to www.equinestar.org.

ROCHESTER HILLS: City sees a 250% increase in recycling

Since implementing a new incentive-based recycling program, the city has seen a 250% increase in recycling in the first quarter of the program compared with the amount recycled in 2008, according to a news release.

More than 1,600 tons have been recycled since the March implementation of RecycleBank, the release said. With the program, residents accrue points for recycling and redeem them for coupons or other gifts.

CLAWSON: Free classes to teach women self-defense

Free self-defense classes for women are to be offered in October and taught by an Oakland County sheriff's deputy.

The classes are to be previewed today in a demonstration by Miss Michigan 2009, Lindsey Tycholiz, 27, of Sterling Heights. The 11:30 a.m. preview – at the YWCA, 839 Crooks – is open to the public.

The one-day classes are open to women 18 and older (ages 14 to 17 must be with an adult). Classes are to be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 3, 10, 17 and 24. To sign up, call 248-435-9100, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

FARMINGTON HILLS: WebTrac a new way to sign up for rec programs

The Farmington Hills Department of Special Services is offering a new way for residents to sign up for recreation classes and programs.

The online WebTrac system can be found on the city's Web site, www.fhgov.com. Previous class registrants with existing accounts can follow the prompts to register again. New registrants must create a household account online or in person at the Costick Center, 28600 W. Eleven Mile Road. It's open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

For information, call 248-473-1800.
