

# Board of Commissioners Update

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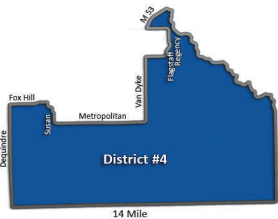
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Summer 2011



**David Flynn**  
Macomb County  
Commissioner

## District 4



**Macomb County  
Commissioner David  
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representing part  
of the City of  
Sterling Heights**

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Dear Neighbor,

I am pleased to serve as your Macomb County commissioner. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions on how we can make our county a better place to live, learn, or do business. As your commissioner, I want to be sure your opinions and concerns are heard.

In the meantime, I hope that you find the information provided in this newsletter useful.

Best wishes,

*David Flynn*

## Exploring Opportunities in the Defense Industry

Commissioner David Flynn recently participated in a town hall meeting at the National Defense Industry Association Expo to explore the future of the defense industry in Macomb County.

The event, hosted by the Macomb County Chamber, brought government officials together with leaders in the defense industry, to openly dialogue about how to effectively promote, expand, and preserve the county's local defense industry. Flynn was joined by U.S. Rep. Sander Levin, State Rep. Lesia Liss, Macomb Community College President Jim Jacobs, and Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel, among others.

The county has been aggressively positioning itself in recent years to become a national leader in the industry, particularly with the expansion of the U.S. Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM) and U.S. Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC), and through educational opportunities at a college level. Last year, the U.S. Department of Labor awarded



Macomb Community College a grant for approximately \$5 million to prepare workers for jobs in the defense industry. The grant was one of several defense education related grants awarded to the college.

"The defense industry is undeniably one of our key economic strengths in Macomb County and a sector we have targeted for growth," Flynn said. "It is extremely important that we do all we can to support its expansion by attracting businesses, training future workers and enabling the success of existing operations."

## Grab a Paddle and Head to the Trail

Local water enthusiasts have one more reason to explore Macomb County's Lake St. Clair this summer as our new water trail debuts.

The trail, which is suited for all skill levels of open water kayaking and other paddling sports, runs along the shoreline to join trails in both Wayne and St. Clair counties, and is one of the final pieces in a state-wide system of developing water trails.

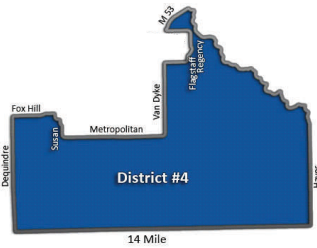
The project, spearheaded by the county's Lake St. Clair Tourism Development Program in 2010, is funded through a \$10,000 grant from Michigan Sea Grant and a matching contribution from MSU Extension.

In addition to recreation, in Macomb County the trail provides an additional



opportunity for lakefront communities to use their location as a built-in business development tool.

Guide maps to the many sights on the route (which include a shipwreck, MetroBeach, and other natural landscape features) will be available at public buildings such as libraries and municipal buildings throughout the county in August, coinciding with an official trail launch.



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## News & Information



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## Local Business Resource

Want to grow your business with federal, state and local government contracts? The Procurement Technical Assistance Centers of Michigan (PTAC) is ready to help local companies do just that. Macomb Community College hosts PTAC's Macomb County location at the Michigan Technical Education Center (MTEC) building located at 7900 Tank Avenue in Warren. For more information on PTAC's services, visit [www.ptacsofmichigan.org](http://www.ptacsofmichigan.org), or call (586) 498-4122.

## Macomb County Office Closures

### Summer/Fall 2011

County offices and courts will be closed on the following days:

**July 1\*, 4 (Independence Day)**

**September 2\*, 5 (Labor Day)**

**October 10 (Columbus Day)**

*\*Indicates a closure due to a county-wide employee furlough day*

## Events Around Macomb County

**July 14: Cool Car Rally:** Are you a car enthusiast, or have your own ride to show off? Then you won't want to miss the car rally during the July 14 Music in the Park concert at Dodge Park. The event is from 7p.m. to 9 p.m., but check-in for participants is at 5 p.m. Participants please note: the event is not a competition, but just for the appreciation of unique cars.

**July 28-30: SterlingFest 2011:** Get the most fun for your money at this year's festival held at Dodge Park and Sterling Heights City Center with three-day "Mega Passes." The unlimited ride passes are good for all three festival days at the family midway (and because they are priced at \$45, you save \$15). In addition to dozens of midway rides, the event features music, food, arts and crafts, and nightly concerts. For more information, contact the Community Relations Department at (586) 446-2489 or the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry at (586) 731-5400 ext. 10.

**July 19: Michigan Works!: Polish Your Job Interview Skills:** Held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., this workshop covers topics such as: how to prepare for an interview, researching the employer, choosing proper attire, etiquette, and answering tough questions. Participate in mock interviews and critiques as practice. The class will be held at the Mount Clemens Michigan Works! center, 75 North River Road. Call (586) 469-7702 for details.



## Macomb County Phone Numbers

**Animal Shelter:** (586) 469-5115

**Clerk/Register of Deeds:** (586) 469-5120

**Community Mental Health:**  
Access Center: (586) 948-0222 V/Collect  
Crisis Center: (586) 307-9100 V/TDD/Collect

**Office of the County Executive:** (586) 469-7001

**Substance Abuse Access:** (586) 541-2273

**Friend of the Court:** 24-hour case info: (586) 469-7618

**Health Department:** (586) 469-5235

**Land File Division:** (586) 469-5312

**Reference & Research Center:** (586) 286-6660

**Senior Citizen Services:** (586) 469-6313

**Sheriff's Department:** (586) 469-5151

**Treasurer's Office:** (586) 469-5190

**Veterans Services:** (586) 469-5315

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