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Affordable housing seminar offered

Macomb County residents interested in purchasing a home are encouraged to attend the Macomb Homebuyer's Affordable Housing Seminar, offered by Macomb County MSU Extension (MSUE).

The free seminar offers information on renting versus buying a home, locations of the most affordable neighborhoods, information on government and bank loan programs and clever ways to save money.

Participants also can check to see if they qualify for down payment or credit cleanup assistance.

The program runs from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, at Warren City Hall, 1 City Square Drive, in Warren.

Registration for the event is required. To register, call 586-469-6430.

Program teaches green living

Macomb County residents interested in learning about "green living" and how to be "green" in their daily lives are encouraged to attend a free program offered by Macomb County MSU Extension (MSUE).

The program will cover energy options, consumerism and product choices, waste reduction, conservation, food choices, transportation and environmental protection.

Participants will learn what their options are for developing a "green" lifestyle, and what effect their choices have on their health, budget, environment and local economy.

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The program runs from 6:45-7:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, at the Fraser Library, 16330 14 Mile Road in Fraser.

For more information, call the Fraser Library at 586-293-2055.

Home ownership seminar offered

Macomb County residents interested in learning how to effectively shop for and finance a home are encouraged to attend a two-part, home ownership seminar offered by Macomb County MSU Extension (MSUE).

The free seminars feature community professionals who will discuss house hunting, shopping for a mortgage, getting a home inspection and closing the deal.

The three sessions run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the Tuesdays of Jan. 20, 27 and Feb. 3, at the MSUE offices, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12 (near entrance E), in Clinton Township.

These seminars meet the requirements for most community lending programs. A certificate of completion is presented to anyone who attends both sessions and completes all course work.

Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 586-469-6430.

Class teaches credit skills

Macomb County residents looking to better understand and manage their credit are encouraged to attend a free, four-part, 'Credit Sense' seminar offered by Macomb County MSU Extension (MSUE).

Participants will learn to shop for a loan or credit card, determine how much debt they can afford, determine the percentage of income that should be used for vehicle or mortgage payments, interpret credit reports, build and repair credit history and protect against identity theft.

The four sessions will be from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25, at the MSU Extension offices, 21885 Dunham Road (near entrance E) in Clinton Township.

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Participants who attend all four sessions will receive a certificate of completion.

Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 586-469-7614.

For more information on any of the Macomb MSUE community programs including Children-Youth-Family, Agriculture and Natural Resources or Community and Economic Development, please call 586-469-5180, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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