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Historical Commission unveils transportation heritage activity book

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – Fire engines, ambulances, trains, delivery trucks and planes are featured in the 2007 Macomb County Historical Commission Activity Book, which focuses on the county’s transportation heritage.

The book features activities and information for all age groups, including fun facts, a word search and other games, and pictures of historic vehicles and buildings.

“This activity book about Macomb County’s transportation roots is the fourth in a series highlighting the county’s history,” said Macomb County Commissioner Philis DeSaele (R-Sterling Heights), also a member of the Historical Commission. “This year’s book also commemorates the 90th anniversary of what we now call Selfridge Air National Guard Base, which was originally called Selfridge Field.”

Individual books are free and will be available for the first time Aug. 24 and 25 at the Bath City Festival in downtown Mount Clemens. The Historical Commission will be giving away the books in the historical tent on Main Street.

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Local schools also are invited to make use of the book for teaching students about the county's history.

"This book will compliment materials used by fourth-grade teachers and students for their required Michigan history lessons," said Suzanne Pixley, Historical Commission chair.

The 2007 book also features a photo/essay contest for fourth-grade classes or groups. The contest requires participants to visit sites mentioned in the book, photograph them and write a short essay about their experiences.

Teachers, schools and organizations may order bulk copies of the books. Bulk orders are subject to a printing fee. Copies of past issues also are available.

For more information, contact Camille Silda of the Macomb County Department of Planning & Economic Development at 586-469-5285.

About Macomb County

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 847,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.

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