



## Chamber Hosts Mexican Fiesta at Su Casa



From all the feedback we received, our Mexican Fiesta was a huge success. Fifty eight people attended the event held in the upstairs ballroom of the new Su Casa restaurant.

Our guests enjoyed a buffet style meal consisting of:

- Chips, salsas and pickled carrots
- Chicken Tamales
- Pork Tamales
- Cheese Enchiladas Suizas
- Steak Fajitas
- Corn Tortillas, Flour Tortillas
- Refried Beans
- Rice

And for dessert,

Two flavors of Gelato/Sorbetto and coffee.

Following dinner and dessert, there was a slide show bringing everyone up to date on important happenings in Fennville. The slide show included a video clip showing Fennville Mayor Dan Rastall with a welcome message to new residents. The video message will be used in material promoting Fennville to potential newcomers to the area. View it at: [www.fennvillenews.com/recycling.htm](http://www.fennvillenews.com/recycling.htm)

Our thanks to Edgar, his wife Constanza and daughter Kennedy as well as other staff members at Su Casa for the fine job they did in making our event the success that it was.



Jessica Morse



**FENNVILLE GETS  
 A NEW LOGO!**

See page 2 for details.



Hannah McFarland

## Two Receive Scholarships from Fennville Chamber

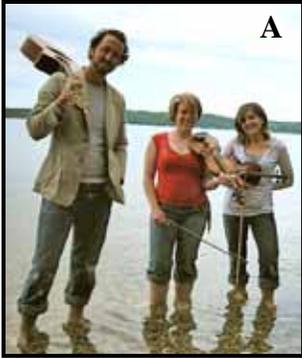
The Fennville Chamber and the community congratulate the two young ladies pictured above. These are the recipients of the 2008 Fennville Chamber scholarship awards.

Starting in 2006, our chamber began offering scholarships to graduating Fennville students. We started with one \$500 scholarship in 2006. We were able to double the number of scholarships we could offer in 2007 and continue with two \$500 scholarships in 2008.

The eligibility requirements for a chamber scholarship are;

1. Accepted at a Michigan University or jr. college with plans on pursuing a career in business or related field.
2. Has met two of the following criteria:
  - A. Son/daughter or other relative of a Chamber business owner.
  - B. Has volunteered at Chamber events.
  - C. Parents or student employed by a Chamber business.
  - D. Has participated in community service.

# Another winning lineup for this year's Tuesday in the Park Concerts



A

**A. Freshwater, June 10th.** Four post-moderns playing raucous dance music, pop-inspired arrangements of folksongs and lots of free-spirited dancing.



B

**B. Delilah & The Lost Boys, June 24th.** Delilah Dewylde and the lost boys march to the country shuffle of a bygone era.



C

**C. Zion Lion, July 8th.** Zion Lion Reggae Band is the "baddest band to hit Kalamazoo. They play a mix of Reggae, Souk, Soukous and Afro-Latin.



D

**D. Truth in Jazz, July 22, n.d.** Tim Froncek fronts this group of 16 top musicians plays charts from the classic era of the big bands, up to today's best charts from the hottest writers.



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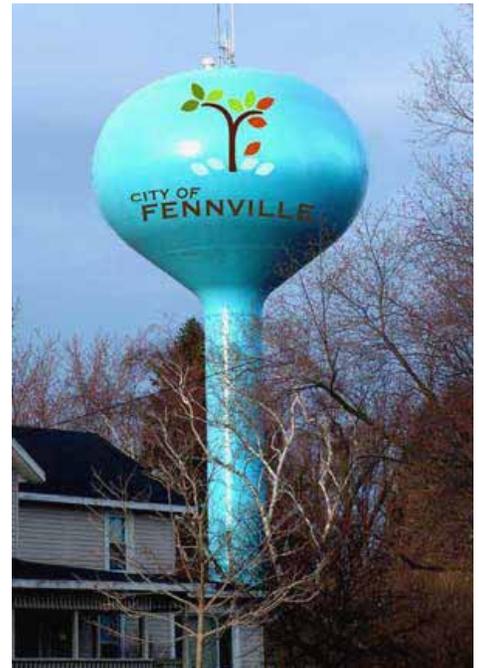
**E. Shout Sister Shout, August 5th.** Traditional jazz and folk music.

Read more about the groups and get links to their web sites at: [www.http://www.fennvilleneews.com/tue\\_in\\_prk.htm](http://www.fennvilleneews.com/tue_in_prk.htm)



The DDA is working on a project to "re-brand" Fennville. Part of this effort involves the development of a new logo. Shown above, the new logo depicts the four seasons by the color of the leaves on the tree.

Some time next year, as you enter Fennville from the East along M89, one of the first sights you'll see as you enter town will be the new logo on our water tower as depicted below.



## UP... UP... AND AWAAAAYY!



Tom Tucker rides the bucket to inspect one of the loudspeakers from our downtown PA system. Work will soon begin to repair some winter damage to the system and expand its capabilities.

Under consideration is a wireless link into the system from the Green Space next to the Post Office. This will allow announcements through the system, not only from the Green Space, but from anywhere along Main Street. Anyone interested in the job of Town Crier? ☺

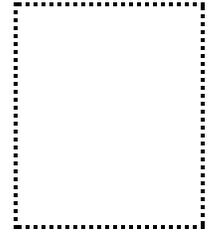
A good time...

was had...

by all...

Pictures from our Mexican Fiesta





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**BUSINESS TIP:** Signage should be a major part of your marketing strategy. Signs are a vital part of small businesses and can be the most efficient, effective and consistent device for generating revenue.

**Message from the President**



I know this sounds like a cliché, but I'll say it anyway. "Without your support, we couldn't do the things we do."

This year we'll continue our tradition of Concerts in the Park. Details and photos of the artists at this year's concerts are shown on page 2. We give special recognition to those businesses listed below who have sponsored this ever more popular event. A big "THANK YOU" goes out to:

Septic Tank Systems  
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 Golden Orchards  
 Alexander's Drug Store  
 Fennville's Main St. Market  
 Roper/Dykstra Landscaping  
 Rainbow International Cleaning  
 Cranes Pie Pantry

It was nice seeing the turnout for our Mexican Fiesta event at Su Casa. Many who attended had never been in the newly constructed Su Casa restaurant before. This was an opportunity to see the dramatic change that had taken place in this newly constructed pillar of the community

Your Chamber continues to work ever more closely with the DDA and City Council. Together we're better!

