

Press release - Jan 12, 2010

Event Announcement

Event: Amy Fedel 10th Anniversary Memorial Concert and Fundraiser

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The 2010 Amy Fedel Memorial Concert will be held on Saturday, February 13, 2010. The concert will be held at Green Wood (United Methodist Church), 1001 Green Road, Ann Arbor, Mi. The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a children's music set.

The concert is a benefit for the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan and MADD.

Music will be provided by a variety of musicians, including the Ann Arbor-based bands The Bonfire Poets and FiveMilesMore. Also performing will be Mike Fedel and Friends with Rex Geiger, Mark Brokaw, Kathle Strickland, Jeff Crause, Patti Jarosz, Goran Kecman and others.

The show will start with a 20-minute children's set followed by a variety of musical styles. The Bonfire Poets perform acoustic and electric favorites, while FiveMilesMore introduces a jazz sound to the concert. The show will also feature the Singalong Jukebox, a segment during which the audience selects from a list of songs then performs them after intermission.

This year, we will again be featuring photography from Melissa Meiller, an Ann Arbor student who was one of Amy's friends in grade school. Some of the pieces will be for sale.

Suggested donation is \$10.00 for adults and \$3.00 for kids. This is a donation, not a ticket fee, so please don't let cost stop you from coming. Donations can be cash or check made out to either 'Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan' or 'MADD'. Donations to these organizations are tax-deductible. Advance reservations can be made via email to [mfedela2@aol.com](mailto:mfedela2@aol.com).

Green Wood is located on Green Road, West of US 23 and South of Plymouth Road in An Arbor. For more information, directions, or other questions, email [mfedela2@aol.com](mailto:mfedela2@aol.com). Please do not call Green Wood, MADD, or the Epilepsy Foundation directly, they won't have the latest details.

Updated information about the show and information about past shows can be found at [www.fedel.com/amyandlisa](http://www.fedel.com/amyandlisa).

Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan - The website is [www.epilepsyfoundation.org/michigan](http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/michigan).

Michigan MADD - The website for MADD is [www.madd.org](http://www.madd.org)

Background: Amy and Lisa

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Amy Fedel was 8 years old when her family's van was hit by a drunk driver in the summer of 1998. She died of massive head injuries. Her sister Lisa suffered a closed-head injury and was in a coma for two weeks. She has made a wonderful recovery but still experiences seizures as a result of her head injuries. She is in eleventh grade now and has ambitions to become a stand-up comic. More information on the family can be found at <http://www.fedel.com/amyandlisa>.

The concert is being produced by the Amy and Lisa Fund. The Fund was established with donations from hundreds of people who read about the family's situation and wanted to help them get back on their feet. The first concert was held in 1999 and helped fund the first year of the Amy Fedel Memorial Reading Program as well as generating donations for MADD. Over the last 10 years, the events have raised over \$2,500 for MADD, the Brain Injury Association of Michigan, and the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan.

#### Sponsors and Involvement

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We always welcome volunteers for a variety of tasks the night of the show, primarily for setup before and cleanup after. Volunteers can contact Mike Fedel at [mfedela2@aol.com](mailto:mfedela2@aol.com).

The concert itself is being produced by the Amy and Lisa Fund. Anyone interested in helping offset the costs is welcome to contact Mike Fedel at [mfedela2@aol.com](mailto:mfedela2@aol.com).

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