

Press release - Nov 3, 2006  
Event Announcement

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### **The 2006 Amy Fedel Memorial Concert and Fundraiser**

The 2006 Amy Fedel Memorial Concert will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2006. The concert will be held at the Green Wood location of the First United Methodist Church, 1001 Green Road, Ann Arbor. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. with a 20 minute set of children's music.

The concert is a benefit for the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan and the Brain Injury Association of Michigan and is being sponsored by the Amy and Lisa Fund. The concert has, in the past, also provided donations to MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving). This year, the Amy and Lisa Fund is working on a separate spring event with MADD with details up coming.

Music will be provided by Mike Fedel and Friends, featuring local musicians Mark Brokaw, Kahle Strickland, and Mike Johnson. Invited guests include Jeff Crause, Patti Jarosz, Rex Geiger, Deb Gerber, Goran Kecman, and cello player Greg Urda.

The show will start with a 20-minute children's set by Loren Greenawalt, aka Mister G, followed by a variety of acoustic and electric songs by the band and special guests. 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 also 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. Please make your donations at the concert site. Donations can be cash or check (made out to either 'Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan' or 'Brain Injury Association of Michigan'). Donations to these organizations are tax-deductible. Advance reservations can be made by calling (734) 998-0360.

Green Wood is located on the North-East side of Ann Arbor at 1001 Green Road (South of Plymouth and just West of US-23). For more information, directions, or other questions, phone (734) 998-0360. Please do not call the Green Wood site, they won't have the 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 <http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/michigan>.

**Brain Injury Association of Michigan** - The website for the BIAMI is <http://www.biami.org/>.

**Michigan MADD** - The website for MADD is <http://www.madd.org>.

#### **Background: Amy and Lisa**

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 eighth grade now and enjoys writing and playing the violin. 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 6 years, the events have raised over \$1,500 for MADD and the Brain Injury Association of Michigan.

**Sponsors and Involvement**

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 734 998 0360..

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 734 998 0360.

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