



JULIAN VAIL, LLC NEWS & NOTES

MAY 30, 2008

Welcome to the Julian Vail team:

Jamie Brummel, a native of Owosso brings to Julian Vail her experience with non-profit administration.

Nicole Smith, a current student at Michigan State University majoring in animal science with an equine emphasis.

Kelsey Warner, a recent graduate from Laingsburg who plans to attend LCC and is pursuing a career in veterinary medicine.

All three are a great asset to Julian Vail and we look forward to everyone meeting them!

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

House

Judiciary

June 4, 2008

9:00 a.m.

521 House Office Building

Chair: Rep. Paul Condino

Senate

Energy Policy and Public Utilities

June 3, 2008

2:30 p.m.

Room 210, Farnum Bldg

Chair: Sen. Bruce Patterson

**For a complete list of*

committee meetings visit

www.legislature.mi.gov.

COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE MEETING

A special meeting of the Commission of Agriculture will be held on June 9, 2008 with the purpose of discussing the Pseudorabies Virus and other Livestock Diseases in Michigan.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Con Con Conference Room in Constitution Hall, 525 West Allegan St., Lansing, Michigan.

2008 MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE SCHEDULE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

- June 3 1:30 p.m.
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- June 5 12:00 p.m.

SENATE

- June 3 10:00 a.m.
- June 4 10:00 a.m.
- June 5 10:00 a.m.

MICHIGAN GOVERNOR SIGNS BILL INTO LAW AMENDING PI ACT

After more than four years of hard work the Michigan Council of Private Investigators (MCPI) is proud to announce that Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm has signed HB5274 into law. This bill amends the Private Detective Act of 1965 in many ways. While we have been working on this bill for four years, this culminates a truly interesting past ten months for our association.

Finally we now come to the passing of our long awaited bill amending our PI Act. This is the second time in 10 years we have introduced amendments to our Act and have had them become law. Not only did this bill pass, it passed with huge bipartisan support. The vote in the House was 102-4 and in the Senate 37-0. This margin of victory was achieved by educating each and every legislator on who we are and what we do.

It has been a very exciting and busy year for us. As the out going President of the MCPI I would like to say how proud I am of our members and their willingness to work so hard this past year on these issues I have just outlined. Everything we have accomplished here could not have been done without the support and efforts of our membership and our professional lobbyist team.

To view the revised Public Act now called the "Professional Investigator Licensure Act" go to www.michiganlegislature.org and enter HB5274 where it can be downloaded.

Peter Psarouthakis

President

Michigan Council of Private Investigators

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PARTICIPATES IN NATIONWIDE EMERALD ASH BORER TRAPPING PROGRAM

The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) is participating in the nationwide emerald ash borer (EAB) trapping program where purple traps will be hung throughout the Upper Peninsula

It's purple, it's sticky, and it hangs in ash trees - what is it? It's a "trap" specifically designed to catch EAB adults and it's the latest tool in the battle against the beetle.

The MDA, in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), will use the purple traps in the Upper Peninsula (U.P.) to detect EAB, an invasive pest that is deadly to ash trees. U.P. residents and visitors will start seeing the purple traps going up in June and will be removed in late August.

EAB is an exotic insect native to Asia that attacks ash trees. In its larval stage, EAB feeds undetected under the bark of ash trees, disrupting water, and nutrient flow - ultimately killing the trees in three to four years. First discovered in 2002, the borer is responsible for the death or damage of approximately 20 million ash trees in the Lower Peninsula.

The purple traps will be hung at high-risk locations (campgrounds, sawmills, etc.) in the central and western counties of the U.P. If you see a purple trap on the ground or damaged, please call MDA's toll free number 1-866-325-0023 or USDA-APHIS at 1-866-322-4512. Individuals or businesses found violating the state's EAB quarantine are subject to fines ranging from \$1,000 to \$250,000 and jail time of up to five years for moving regulated ash materials, including all species of hardwood firewood. Additional information about EAB and a map of the quarantine boundaries are available at www.michigan.gov/eab or www.emeraldashborer.info.

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