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**Kathy
Hutson**

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...ve two sons.
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...eir naps, we would put them in
...and take them for walks to each
...In the summer, we would sit
...ther's front porch and talk,

Those were the
good old days.
Long walks, long
talks, and shared
experiences.

Free concerts return to zoo

ROYAL OAK — The Detroit Zoo is about to get even wilder with a concert series on Wednesday nights during July and August.

The Wild Summer Nights concerts will take place in the picnic grove from 6:30 to 8 p.m. July 1 through Aug. 26 and are free with regular zoo admission.

The annual series features a variety of live music from local bands, including children's, pop, folk and blues. Concert-goers are invited to bring blankets, lawn chairs and picnic baskets. In addition, food, snacks, beer, wine and soft drinks will be available for purchase from zoo concessions.

The zoo will remain open until 8 p.m. and Dinosauria until 7 p.m. on Wednesdays during the concert series.

The schedule:

- July 1** — Gemini (children's)
- July 8** — James Coffey (children's)
- July 15** — Grievous Angel (classic Americana)
- July 22** — Palamazoo (children's)
- July 29** — Jill Jack (folk)
- Aug. 5** — Candy Band (children's)
- Aug. 12** — The Gia Warner Band (rock/pop)
- Aug. 19** — Mr. Seley and The Trouble Makers (children's)
- Aug. 26** — The Sun Messengers (Motown/R&B)



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Mr. Seley and The Trouble Makers — Lamont Johnson, from left, Richard Johnson, Tom Seley and Paula Messner — perform Aug. 19 as part of the free summer concert series at the Detroit Zoo. The group plays fun and humorous rock 'n' roll music for all ages, with many songs penned by Seley, a Royal Oak resident and local teacher. Messner also performs at the zoo on Aug. 5 with The Candy Band.

The Wild Summer Nights concert series is supported by Oakland County Parks, radio partner AM580 and newspapers the Daily Tribune, The Macomb Daily and

The Oakland Press.

The Detroit Zoo is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with extended hours until 8 p.m. Wednesdays during July and August. Admission is \$11 for

adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free. For more information, call (248) 541-5717 or go to www.detroitzoo.org.

Going once, going twice ...

■ **Officials
prepared to
auction Silverdome.**

By Randal Yakey
Journal Register News Service

The Pontiac Silverdome could soon go on the auction block.

Emergency Financial Manager Fred Leeb said attempts to sell the Silverdome have not been successful, and he is prepared to hand it over to an auctioneer if it will speed up the sale of the empty landmark.

Leeb said there would be a "parallel two-track process" of continued negotiations with potential buyers while setting up the auction.

"We will continue to negotiate with anyone who wishes to buy the property," Leeb said. "At the same time, we will set up a worldwide auction. We will have a very highly publicized auction where people all over the world will hear about this through major publications and e-mailings."

Leeb said the goal is to get the Silverdome sold as fast as possible.