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**Edgerton Women's Health Center has opened a new family-planning clinic located at Friendly House, 1221 Myrtle Street in Davenport.** With two Edgerton locations in Davenport, women in the Quad Cities area will now have more access to low-cost or no-cost birth control, the newest long-term, reversible contraception methods, pregnancy testing, and emergency contraception. These clinics also offer the Women, Infants, & Children (WIC) program as well as obstetrical care. To learn more about Edgerton Women's Health Center, visit (<http://www.qcwomenshealth.org>).

**WVIK 90.3 FM will host an open house on Friday, April 4, for listeners and the community to meet Jay Allison and Dan Gediman, national producers of "This I Believe" essays presented each week by National Public Radio (NPR).** The public is invited to visit the WVIK studios at Augustana College from 10 a.m. to noon to meet the producers and new WVIK General Manager Frank Sundram. Allison and Gediman are appearing at WVIK in conjunction with the "One Book One Bettendorf" essay project, modeled after the NPR series. WVIK has selected 20 essays from the local project to broadcast in weekday newscasts at 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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**The grief and devastation of losing a baby before or soon after childbirth often weighs heavily on the hearts of parents and family members alike. To help alleviate sorrow and honor the memories of babies who have been lost, Trinity will offer "Butterfly Blessings: A Memorial Ceremony," from 2 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, in the Jardine Auditorium at its West Campus, 2701 17th Street in Rock Island.** For more information or to register for the memorial gathering, contact Trinity's Pastoral Care department at (309) 779-2989. Reservations are strongly encouraged.

**You can help recognize mental-health awareness in May by joining the largest advocacy event for the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): the NAMIWalks.** The NAMIWalks is a 3.1-mile walk around Credit Island Park in Davenport that will take place on Saturday, May 3. More than 1,500 walkers are expected to participate. For more information about NAMI, visit (<http://www.nami.org>). For information on the local organization, visit (<http://www.namiscottcounty.org>).

**The Community Action Agency of Eastern Iowa has secured more than \$2.2 million to provide another year of the Head Start full-year, part-day, and handicapped program in the Davenport area.** Children who receive Head Start's comprehensive services are shown to be less likely to repeat a grade, less likely to commit crimes, and more likely to complete high school and college than their at-risk peers who did not have Head Start. The Community Action Agency of Eastern Iowa serves families in Scott, Muscatine, Cedar, and Clinton counties.

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**The public is invited to share in the celebration of the 2008 Quad-Cities Area Leaders Under 40 award recipients at 6 p.m. on April 10 at the i wireless Center in Moline.** Now celebrating its sixth year, the Quad-Cities Leaders Under 40 is a group of 147 individuals making things happen in the Quad Cities. For tickets or more information, contact the Black Hawk College Foundation at (309) 796-5052 or (800) 334-1311.

**The Quad City Symphony Orchestra's final Masterworks concert will bring in Maestro Donald Thulean and the Handel Oratorio Society to perform works from Brahms, Verdi, and Britten on April 5 and 6.** The concerts will be performed at 8 p.m. on Saturday at the Adler Theatre in Davenport, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday at Augustna College's Centennial Hall in Rock Island. Tickets can be purchased by calling (563) 322-7276 or by visiting (<http://www.qcsymphony.com>).

**The Grey Soirée, a fundraising event for the Quad Cities Greyhound Adoption, will be held on April 19 at the Outing Club, 2109 North Brady Street in Davenport.** There will be cocktails, dinner, silent auctions, and a presentation. This event will be raising funds to help find homes for greyhounds no longer needed by the racing industry. Tickets are \$50 each. For more information, visit (<http://www.qcgreyhoundadoption.com>).

**The Partnership for Prescription Assistance will bring its "Help Is Here Express" bus tour to Trinity's Seventh Street Campus from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 7, to help people apply for assistance to pay for prescription medications.**

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Trinity's Seventh Street Campus is located at 500 John Deere Road in Moline. Trained staff members will be available to help people apply for local, state, and federal assistance programs, free of charge.

**The Quad City Wind Ensemble, in conjunction with St. Ambrose University, has announced the winner of the 20th Annual Young Performer's Solo Competition.**

Auditions were held Tuesday, March 11, at St. Ambrose University. Pleasant Valley High School flutist Carolyn Holst placed first and will be performing the Chaminade *Concertino*

with the Quad City Wind Ensemble at its April 26 concert at 7:30 p.m. on the campus of St. Ambrose University in Davenport. Second place was awarded to Alex Willhite from United Township High School, and third place went to Brent Tunis of Pleasant Valley High School.

**Rock Island has been named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation.** It is the 18th year Rock Island has received this national recognition. Rock Island has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA Community: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.