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NICK SANDBORN

WELCOME TO THE DDA BOARD!

We are pleased to introduce Nick, a lifelong resident of Portland and graduate of Portland High School and Ferris State University. Nick is a business and downtown property owner at Sandborn Real Estate. He has been informally involved with the DDA (Downtown Development / MiPortland Downtown) for over a decade, always willing to lend a hand, find solutions, and support events through both participation and sponsorship.

This year, as we face a full season of construction and the challenges a project like this brings, we are fortunate to have Nick join our team. His experience and dedication make him a perfect fit to help us navigate these projects and contribute to our community. We ask you to extend a warm welcome to Nick as he takes on this broader role of community involvement.

2024 LEADERSHIP

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Updates: Progress and Upcoming @ City Web

<https://www.portland-michigan.org/338/>
Upcoming-Ongoing-Projects

Promotions / Incentives / Community

MiPortland Social Media

<https://www.facebook.com/MiPortlandDowntown>

PARKING MAP-ensuring you can easily find a space!
MiPortland.org/parking-map



Local pubs, restaurants, brewery's—coffee, flowers, gifts and services! ~ the closer to home the better :)

We've made it easier for you with our Online Business Directory at miportland.org !



Join us to learn about what's happened, what's in the works, and what's being considered for the Portland area.

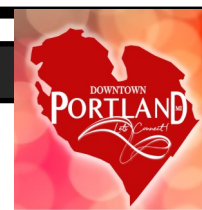
While primarily to provide information, we'll be happy to hear from you, and answer as many questions as possible.

This meeting is a semi-annual update of the DDA.

7pm Monday
Feb 27, 2023

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Submitted by
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FEATURED BUSINESS **FABIANO'S WESTSIDE GROCERY**

L-R Toni & Mark Fabiano, Chef Zac Fox

Mark and Toni Fabiano are the proud owners of Fabiano's Westside Grocery, a convenience store and much more located on Portland's west side. Zac Fox serves the Fabiano's as head chef.

Fabiano's has recently expanded its services into new areas of food service. They have added a deli and an enlarged grocery section of the store. The deli includes fresh pizza, all home made, and an ice cream parlor will be in place at the location in the spring of this year. "Our family has been making pizza for over forty years," said Mark. "It has brought us great success no doubt because of the high quality ingredients that we use. We hand select only the best ones."

The deli also includes breakfast items, including breakfast burritos, breakfast pizza, and a loaded hash brown breakfast bowl. "Our breakfast pizza originated at my parent's restaurant in downtown Portland forty years ago," said Mark. "We have added it to our line because of high demand for this item."

The deli also offers lunch items such as chicken quarters. "In addition to chicken we have ribs, mac and cheese, and scalloped potatoes. We also have subs and salads, which are available all day," said Mark.

Fabiano's continues to offer groceries including fresh produce. "We have tripled the size of the grocery area," said Mark. "We have the largest selection of alcohol in the Portland area, and we stay current with the latest trends in these products," said Mark.

In the spring of this year, Fabiano's will begin selling fresh ice cream at its new ice cream parlor. "We will have two soft serve flavors and twelve hard pack flavors, as well as a variety of toppings," said Mark. "Our vision with our new deli and with out new ice cream parlor is to serve customers who are frequenting Fr. Flohe Field during and after athletic contests there."

Mark was born and raised in Portland and he feels a strong connection to the community. "Portland is a beautiful community and I feel grateful to be here," he said.

Zac Fox, Fabiano's head chef, attended Portland Schools and he also thinks highly of Portland. "It's a great place to be and I love working with the Fabianos," said Zac

Fabiano's deli and expanded grocery section is now operational and is available to the community. The ice cream parlor is set to open in May. Mark invites everyone to check out his new facility. He hopes to see all of his friends there soon.

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M-F 6a-10p Sat & Sun 7a-10p

Event Details &
Complete Calendar @
MiPortland.org

You're invited to Portland Parks & Recreation's **DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE**

Wednesday, February 21 & Thursday, February 22
From 6:30PM-8:00PM at KC Hall

Prices
increase at
the door!

\$25/Couple + \$8/Additional Child

Register online at portlandmi.recdesk.com

