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SCHMITT



PLUGER



VAN KREVELEN



BORCHERS



BATTEN

Arts

Battle Creek's **ETC Arts Studio** hired **Michelle Sears** to the Community Inclusive Recreation staff as sales and marketing coordinator for the program, which focuses on artist development. Sears most recently worked for Douglass Community Association.

Hospitality

The **Holiday Inn Grand Rapids Downtown** hired **Heidi Schmitt** as sales manager and **Jennifer Joldersma** as sales coordinator.

Manufacturing

Howard Miller Co. was one of nine recipients of the first annual **TharpeRobbins Award of Excellence for Vendor Partnership**.

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March 31 — **Speed Networking**
The Kalamazoo Regional Chamber

Nonprofit

Rockford City Manager **Michael Young** received the 2009 Conservationist of the Year award from the **Izaak Walton League**, Dwight Lydell Chapter.

Retail

Meijer Inc., based in Grand Rapids, received the Kathryn Timmer Literacy Award for the company's longstanding support of the Specialized Language Development Center in Grand Rapids.



Services

John Pluger was hired as advance funeral planner for **Cook Funeral & Cremation Services** in Grandville.

Technology

Open Systems Technologies Inc. in Grand Rapids added **Chip Van Krevelen**, senior health care account executive. He was most recently with NETAPP. The I.T. company also hired **Brad Borchers**, CPA, senior account executive, who came from Infor.

Transportation

LeanLogistics, a supply chain services company in Holland, was named a finalist for the Software & Information Industry Association's 25th Annual CODIE Awards in the Best Supply Chain Solution category. Final winners will be announced in May.

Two Men and A Truck, based in Lansing, promoted **Pamela Batten** to franchise sales manager.



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