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Ypsilanti to host first City Wide Open House Saturday, Oct. 31

YPSILANTI — The City of Ypsilanti, in partnership with EMU, MSU Extension, local realtors and local businesses, are taking the open house concept to a new level, hosting the first City Wide Open House Saturday, October 31, 2009.

“This will be a true demonstration of partnership,” said PJ Moffett, agent, Real Estate One, and chair, Board of Directors, Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. “We will display Ypsilanti's finest in education, homes and community spirit.”

Event goals are to raise awareness of what Ypsilanti has to offer new visitors and prospective students, showcase homes for sale and increase city visibility.

Programs include:

- **Explore Eastern:** Eastern Michigan University's open house attracts potential high school and transfer students to visit EMU and meet with academic and admissions advisers, take a campus tour and apply, then hop on the shuttle to visit Downtown and Depot Town. Visit emich.edu/explore for information.
- **Open Houses:** Stop by SPARK East, located at 215 W. Michigan Avenue, to meet representatives from the schools and neighborhoods, learn about incentives for house hunters, and pick up maps of homes for sale. Visit <http://openhouse.ypsi.com> for full details and to sign up for updates.
- **Depot Town and Downtown:** Discounts will be available to participants at the EMU Student Center and at the SPARK East location for restaurants, retail and other services in Downtown and Depot Town. Shuttle service will be available between the Student Center, SPARK East and Depot Town.
- **Video Competition:** Enter the pre-event video contest and tell why you love Ypsi. Videos will be posted on a YouTube site for voting. Visit www.emyouthemagazine.com for more information.

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