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## Community Update: Week Ending 8/27/2010

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on Lift Bridge Lane. And for those interested in good food and children's activities, dozens of area restaurants and vendors will be selling their signature dishes at booths set up around the stages, and kids can enjoy free face painting, magic shows, henna tattoos, arts and crafts, and much more. The festivities begin at noon tomorrow. For more information, I encourage you to visit the Festival's web site at www.fairportmusicfestival.com. Enjoy!

## UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATED IN IRONDEQUOIT

Tuesday, August 24th marked the 19th Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence. For many years I have had the distint pleasure of working with members of the Ukrainian and supporters at the welcome-home ceremony for Honor Flight Rochester

Last Sunday, before a throng of well-wishers gathered at the Greater Rochester International Airport, more than thirty World War II veterans arrived home from Washington, D.C. I was very honored, and moved, to welcome the veterans and participate in the ceremony. This week's mission was the 11th mission by Honor Flight Rochester, which has now sent 500 World War II veterans to Washington to visit the national war memorials.

It wasn't until I was shaking hands with returning veterans that I realized