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### ACQUISITIONS

**Thule Towing Systems L.L.C.**, Madison Heights, a subsidiary of **THULE AB**, has been acquired by **GRLC L.L.C.**, Madison Heights, an acquisition entity created by management, in a management buyout.

**Biopelle Inc.**, Ferndale, has acquired **PrescribedSolutions**, New York, a customized skin care company.

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

#### Detroit Local Initiatives Support Corp.

Detroit, is now offering online registration for its Detroit Community Development Awards nominations. The event recognizes the leaders and unsung heroes of community development and neighborhood revitalization in Detroit. Registration deadline is **Sept. 4**. Web site: [www.detroit-lisc.org](http://www.detroit-lisc.org).

### CONTRACTS

**Rand Construction Engineering Inc.**, Brighton, a design/build construction firm, has been contracted by **Pat Milliken Ford**, Redford Township, to manage the renovation of the dealership. Also, Rand has been contracted by the **United Jewish Foundation of Metropolitan Detroit**, Bloomfield Hills, to be construction manager for the expansion and renovation of the Yeshiva Darchel Torah School in Southfield.

**Sayeg Plastic Surgery Center**, Troy, has contracted **Suneva Medical Inc.**, San Diego, Calif., to provide Artefill, an FDA-approved microsphere-enhanced collagen filler for the correction of smile lines.

**Thomson Reuters' Techstreet**, Ann Arbor, has signed an agreement to distribute standards from the **Association of Electrical and Medical Imaging Equipment Manufacturers**, Rosslyn, Va.

**Wayne State University's Executive & Professional Development**, Detroit, the university's educational outreach unit for business training, executive coaching and consulting, has been selected by the **Detroit Metropolitan Credit Union**, Detroit, to design and deliver a customized corporate learning initiative for managers and senior leaders.

**Gregory J. Schwartz and Co. Inc.**, Bloomfield Hills, an investment advisory firm, has been retained by **Oakland County**, Pontiac, as investment consultant to its 401(a) defined contribution plan.

**FEV Inc.**, Auburn Hills, a developer of powertrain and vehicle technologies, entered into a joint venture with **Energy Innovation Group Ltd.**, Santa Clara, Calif., a battery manufacturer, for the development of a 21kW-h Li-Ion battery pack for a Range-Extended Electric Vehicle project.

**Fry Inc.**, Ann Arbor, a wholly owned subsidiary of **Micros Systems Inc.**, Columbia, Md., an e-commerce provider, was contracted by **Hastings Entertainment Inc.**, Amarillo, Texas, a multimedia entertainment retailer, to build an e-commerce Web site at [www.gohastings.com](http://www.gohastings.com).

### EXPANSIONS

**Servpro of Hazel Park**, a franchise of **Servpro Industries Inc.**, Gallatin, Tenn., a fire and water cleanup and restoration services company, has opened at 1651 E. Nine Mile Road, Suite A, Hazel Park. Telephone: (248) 556-4200, ext. 6101.

**Alliance Cost Containment**, Louisville, Ky., a cost-savings analysis and consulting firm, has expanded with an office in Farmington Hills. Web site: [www.profitchasers.com](http://www.profitchasers.com).

**Huron Capital Partners L.L.C.**, Detroit, has opened an office in Toronto, Ontario. Web site: [www.huroncapital.com](http://www.huroncapital.com).

### NEW PRODUCTS

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**Rave Computer**, Sterling Heights, has launched 2U quiet graphics computer for simulator applications and green wall-mountable/set-top computer, both for commercial environments. Web site: [www.rave.com](http://www.rave.com).

#### NEW SERVICES

**Core Sport Pilates Fitness Studio**, Plymouth, is now authorized by **United States Pilates Association**, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to certify new Pilates instructors through the New York Pilates Studio Teacher Certification Program. Telephone: (734) 233-5268.

**Summit Sports Inc.**, Bloomfield Hills, has launched three Web sites: [www.rollerskates.net](http://www.rollerskates.net), [www.hockeyskatesandsticks.com](http://www.hockeyskatesandsticks.com) and [www.water-trampoline.com](http://www.water-trampoline.com).

The **Michigan Academy for Green Mobility** is a new state program where the **Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth**, Lansing, is partnering with **Michigan Technological University**, Houghton, and **Wayne State University**, Detroit, to offer MAGM's first round of training to prepare automotive engineers for renewable-energy jobs. MTU now offers a course in advanced propulsion for hybrid vehicles with concentration in battery engineering at the **Engineering Society of Detroit** headquarters, Southfield. Telephone: (248) 353-0735. WSU now offers an advanced battery systems for hybrid electric vehicles course. Telephone: (313) 577-0800.

#### OTHER

**Kadima**, Southfield, was awarded a three-year accreditation by the **Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities**, Tucson, Ariz., for its outpatient mental health program that serves adults with serious and chronic mental illness.

**LaVida Massage**, Howell, has launched its franchise operation availability in Michigan. Web site: [www.lavidamassage.com](http://www.lavidamassage.com).

#### STARTUPS

**Aidenbaum Schloff and Bloom P.L.L.C.**, a law firm specializing in real estate, intellectual property and general corporate matters, has opened at 6960 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 315, West Bloomfield Township. Telephone: (248) 865-6500. Web site: [www.aidenbaum.com](http://www.aidenbaum.com).

**The Halpin Group**, Grosse Pointe Farms, a marketing strategy firm. Telephone: (313) 410-1942. Web site: [www.thehalpingroup.net](http://www.thehalpingroup.net)

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