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I am writing with regard to "Managing the Schertzing campaign" in the June 11-17, 2014 issue of City Pulse. I am tired of Democrats like Eric Schertzing marketing themselves "as a social liberal and a fiscal conservative". With all the hardship austerity has caused we do not need Democrats who will not fight back against rising economic inequality.

- Art Hanson Lansing

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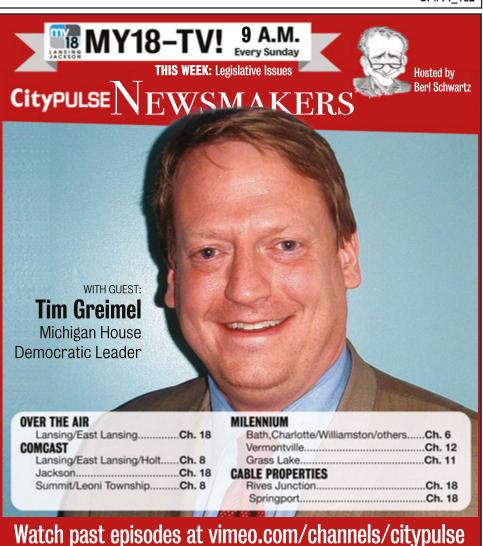
CITY OF LANSING PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST FOR THE TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the public test of the program which will be used for tabulating the results of the Primary Election to be held Tuesday, August 5, 2014 in the City of Lansing will be conducted at the City Clerk's Election Unit located at the South Washington Office Complex at 2500 South Washington Avenue on Monday, July 28, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The public accuracy test is conducted to determine that the program used to tabulate the results of the election counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Chris Swope Lansing City Clerk

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- Kevin Revolinski, author of "Michigan's Best Beer Guide"
- · Bishop David Maxwell, leader of the Office of Community Faith Based Initiatives













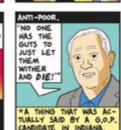












NEWS & OPINION

A 'caucus of one'

Lansing City Council steers toward unified front with one exception

Something unusual is happening in the chambers of Lansing City Hall: Things are calm.

For the last several weeks, Council has essentially been in lock step with the exception of At-Large Councilwoman Carol Wood.

The results? Last month, the city budget passed with minimal squabbling, albeit the first without a deficit

in nine years. The Lansing Police Department got the green light to move from its North Precinct location to the Hill Center on the city's south side. Alcohol sales at the Hope Soccer Complex were approved. Council also approved Outfield, the significant development project that will provide repairs and renovations

to the Cooley

Law School Stadium, alongside private apartment construction just beyond the outfield fence.

First Ward Councilwoman Jody Washington chalks up the progress to a shift in attitude.

"I have had issues with councilmembers but there's been a calming of some folks," she said. "I do see us as moving forward."

Washington said councilmembers have matured in their relationships with one another. Just a few months ago, Councilmembers were at odds with each other over seating arrangements.

"It has been really difficult," Washington said. "Some of us refuse to engage in things like that."

Washington also said improved working relationships have helped blur the "factions" that have long plagued council business, with sides

aligned against or with Mayor Virg Bernero. Everyone is on board with the idea of "Team Lansing," made up of a post-faction Council and administration, she added.

As proof, she points to "a substantial attitude change" in relation to her working relationship with Bernero (any improvement in their relationship would have certainly been welcome, considering he once referred to her as former Councilman Eric Hewitt "in drag").

"If I disagree now, I don't feel like I'm being attacked," Washington said.

Bernero agreed.

"It wasn't the right spirit before," he said. "We're not adversaries anymore."

Bernero said the last election, in which political newcomer and Council Vice President Judi Brown Clarke ousted his longtime opponent Brian Jef-

"I don't think it's much different from years past," she said. "Things bubble to the surface and create differences of opinions and then it subsides."

Cyclical as Council's mood may be, there is no denying that Wood once enioved a more substantial backing of opinion when the "pro-Bernero" faction Councilwomen Kathie Dunbar, Jessica Yorko and Tina Houghton — was the minority.

Wood doesn't like acknowledging the deep separations of Council. Although she said she never believed in the idea of factions, she does feel alone sometimes in asking enough questions about proposals and plans- a recurring reason cited for her dissenting, and now symbolic, votes.

"Are there times up there when I'm not hearing from Councilmembers

and I wish I was?" she said. "Yes, of course. We're supposed to ask tough questions. To do less than that is not what we were elected to do.

"But people shouldn't be labeled differently because of how they vote, added. she "The idea that there are factions divisions

perpetuated by the press. It's incorrect." Looking forward, Brown Clarke said all Councilmembers have seemed committed to maintaining the positive, "palatable" difference in their working relationships. She said Council will be "definitely" going on a retreat next year to improve working relationships — they originally intended to go earlier this year after the seating

"When there are arguments or we chastise each other, we don't do it publicly now," she said. "We don't wait until the cameras come on. That's become the tone and the environment."

"The administration is closer," she added. "We're getting information in a timelier fashion. We want to keep this up."

- Becky McKendry



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chart squabble.

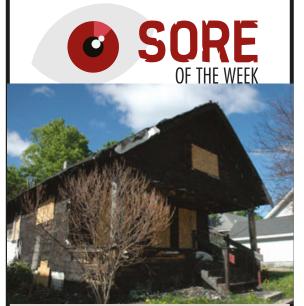
"This is my third term, and when mayors stay, they tend to get a majority," he said. "The voters aren't voting for gridlock. This isn't Washington. We can't afford gridlock at the city level."

sick of divisions.

Bernero interpreted Brown Clarke's addition to Council as Lansing voters supporting his administration, with Councilwoman Carol Wood as the last "obstructionist" left.

"Carol Wood is stuck in the same obstruction of muck," he said. "Whatever it is, she's against it."

Although Wood has mostly stood alone in her recent votes — the exception being Washington voting alongside her against the police precinct move out of her ward — Wood said she doesn't feel anything has changed within the Council chambers.



Property: 1508 E. Kalamazoo St, Lansing Owner says: Unable to be reached

Assessed value: \$18,700

Before this house was significantly damaged by fire, it was a humble example of the Craftsman style. In exchange for the low pitched roof, typical of the style, this home has ample room for living above the front porch and in a dormer on its west side. The resulting form is called "bungaloid," which accounts for this additional upper level space. In contrast, the related term "bungalow," which is frequently paired with the Craftsman style, never includes more than a single story.

Other standard Craftsman features include deep eaves, plus a full width porch supported by square columns. Speculative details, such as eave brackets, were probably stripped away before the fire, during the installation of the home's vinyl siding. The ongoing presence of this deteriorated home provides an unfortunate landmark for its working class neighborhood.

The recent history of the home's immediate neighbor makes its blighted condition even more aggravating. Next door, a Restoration Works project has combined the efforts of Habitat for Humanity, the Allen Neighborhood Center, the Ingham County Land Bank, and Lansing Community College in a program that engages students and restores marginalized houses. This charred shell adversely affects the gains made by the program's good work.

— Dan Bollman

"Eyesore of the Week" is our look at some of the seedier properties in Lansing. It rotates each week with Eye Candy of the Week. If you have a suggestion, please e-mail eye@lan-singcitypulse.com or call Becky McKendry at 999-5064.

PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN OFFICE OF THE INGHAM COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Notice is Hereby Given that on Wednesday, July 2, 2014, the Ingham County Drain Commissioner will hold a Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner, 707 Buhl, Mason, Michigan 48854. At that time and place, the Drain Commissioner will hear the proofs and allegations and carefully reconsider and review the description of lands comprising the Drainage Districts for the Drains listed below, and determine whether the addition or deletion of lands will more accurately define the boundaries of the land benefitted by the Drains and is just and equitable pursuant to Section 197 of 1956 PA 40 as amended. The Drains are located and established in the following municipalities, and a general description by section number of the lands proposed to be added or deleted in whole or in part include the following:

DRAIN NAME	MUNICIPALITY	SECTION NUMBERS
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	WILLIAMSTOWN TOWNSHIP	9-10, 15-17, 20-22, 29
BATTLEY DRAIN (B 07-00)	AURELIUS TOWNSHIP	34
	ONONDAGA TOWNSHIP	3, 4
BROWNELL EXT. DRAIN (B 20-00)	STOCKBRIDGE TOWNSHIP	26-28, 33-35
CHERRY RIDGE #2 DRAIN (C 46-00)	WILLIAMSTOWN TOWNSHIP	22, 27
CLINTON DRAIN (C 16-00)	BUNKER HILL TOWNSHIP	2-4, 9-11, 14-16, 21-23,
		26-27
HAVENS DRAIN (H 11-00)	AURELIUS TOWNSHIP	24-25
	VEVAY TOWNSHIP	17-20, 29-30
INDIAN LAKES DRAIN (I 06-00)	MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP	20, 28-29
OAKLEY DRAIN (O 01-00)	STOCKBRIDGE TOWNSHIP	4
	WHITE OAK TOWNSHIP	28-29, 32-33

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Ingham County Drain Commissioner at (517) 676-8395 or the Michigan Relay Center at (800) 649-3777 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility visual, hearing, or other assistance. You are Further Notified that persons aggrieved by the decision of the Drain Commissioner to add or delete property to or from a Drainage District may seek judicial review in the Ingham County Circuit Court within ten (10) days of the decision.

June 10, 2014

Patrick E. Lindemann Ingham County Drain Commissioner

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CITY OF LANSING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday June 30, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, 10th Floor Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI, in consideration of the Establishment of the Principal Shopping District Assessment and Proposed Zones for Fiscal Year 2015. Fiscal Year 2016 and Fiscal Year 2017.

The special assessment district for the Principal Shopping District is described as follows:

Principal Shopping District: Beginning at the intersection of West right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue and the north right-of-way line of W. St. Joseph Street, "Point of Beginning," North along S. Capitol Avenue right-of-way line to the center-line of W. Washtenaw Street, west along the centerline of W Washtenaw Street to the center-line of Townsend Street, north along the center-line of Townsend Street to the center-line of W. Allegan Street, then east along the W. Allegan Street center-line to the center-line of S. Capitol Avenue, north along the S. Capitol Avenue center-line to the center-line of W. Saginaw Street, east along the W. Saginaw Street center-line to the west right-of-way line of N Washington Avenue, north along the N. Washington Avenue right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of W. Grand River Avenue, east along the W. Grand River Avenue right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of Turner Street, north along the Turner Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Clinton Street, east along Clinton Street right-of-way to the east right-of-way line of Center Street, south along the Center Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Liberty Street east along the Liberty Street right-of-way line to the centerline of N. Cedar Street, south along the N. Cedar Street center-line to the south right-of-way line of East Grand River Avenue, east along the E. Grand River Avenue right-of-way line to the west right of-way line of N. Larch Street, south along the N. Larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Shiawassee Street, east along the E Shiawassee Street center-line to the west right-of-way line of the Conrail right-of-way, south along the Conrail right-of-way line to the south right-of-way line of E. Michigan Avenue, west along the E Michigan Avenue right-of-way to the east right-of-way line of S. Larch Street, south along the S. Larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, then west along E. Kalamazoo Street center-line to the center-line of S. Larch Street, then south along the S. Larch Street centerline to the north right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street (extended), west along the St. Joseph Street right-of-way line (extended) to the Point of Beginning

Let it be known any person who intends to protest this special assessment must appear and protest at the special assessment hearing in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. Any appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal must be taken within thirty days of the confirmation of the special assessment roll, provided a protest was timely made. The protest of this special assessment must be presented by the property owners, or their representative in person or in writing at the Public Hearing as scheduled above. The assessment roll is on file and may be examined in the 9th Floor City Clerk's Office.

For more information, please call 517-483-4177. If you are interested in this matter, please attend the public hearing or send a representative. Written comments will be accepted between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on City business days if received before 5 p.m., Monday, June 30, 2014, at the City Clerk's Office, Ninth Floor, City Hall, 124 West Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48933.

Chris Swope, Lansing City Clerk

Regionalism: We like it, but we don't

One of the good things that may surface from Lansing Board of Water and Light's disastrous ice storm performance is a better understanding of the value of regionalism

Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero signaled last week that he is willing to expand BWL's board of commissioners, adding

> non-voting members from East Lansing,

Delta Township and a rotating annual seat shared by Delhi, Lansing, Meridian and DeWitt townships.

It's an acknowledgment that the utility serves the region, that its im-

MICKEY HIRTEN

portance extends beyond Lansing's city limits. Bernero initially rejected calls for broadening oversight of BWL and rightly noted that city ownership reflected its longstanding investment in the electricity, steam and water provider. But BWL's inept performance, detailed by the post-ice storm investigations, may have softened his view. Non-voting status for non-city board members is a reasonable compromise that also addresses the mayor's belief that Lansing and the communities that surround it need to work together much more cooperatively than they do now.

Just as much of Michigan's future hinges on a viable Detroit, the communities circling Lansing need the capital city to be strong and successful. There is much lip service in political circles about finding regional approaches to regional issues. But the only real apostle is Bernero. And not necessarily by choice. Cities through Michigan — in fact, throughout the nation — are troubled. Cuts in revenue sharing have strained budgets. School systems are losing students to districts on their borders. As wages have stagnated and poverty level increase, the effects fall disproportionately on cities.

In theory, people want more regional, more efficient government. The Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce sponsored a survey last August asking 600 residents of Ingham, Clinton and Eaton counties about services, tax dollars and sharing. Road and transportation surfaced as the greatest concern and for 55 percent of those surveyed ranks as the most important use of taxpayer dollars. Economic development was second (14 percent); libraries were third (8 percent).

The survey found acceptance for the concept of regionalism: 82 percent support with just 10 percent opposing. A slim majority of those surveyed favored sharing services and consolidation of local government.

But the concept doesn't translate well into practice. When people were asked about specific services, they tended to favor sharing and consolidation of items like roads but wanted to keep schools, police and fire services, even garbage pick up, as they are now.

The survey results suggested that people understand the challenges: "Nearly 60 percent believe that regional cooperation will not work in the Lansing region because of diminished local control and the use of tax dollars regionally." Skepticism was greatest in Eaton County (70 percent) and Clinton (66 percent) Older respondents were less likely to believe regionalism will work.

There is a local-local culture in Michigan that's hard to rattle. The survey wisely offers recommendations that emphasize starting "slow with issues that build consensus." These include roads and infrastructure, planning and development, housing codes and inspections, public transportation and general administrative functions.

The call is for communities to invest in long-term goals, which should build support for sharing and consolidation. Eventually. And for many, there is an acknowledgment they come from Lansing, even when they don't. The survey refers to this as regional identity and posed this question: "When traveling, they tell others them come from:"

The answer was Lansing - 40 percent; another 13 percent said the Lansing area or the Lansing metro area. Just 32 percent identified a specific city or township. "(A) plurality of suburban respondents view themselves as living in 'Lansing' — especially those close to the city," the report stated.

Or, maybe it's simply to avoid a longwinded explanation of Vevay Township or the city of Leslie. But it's also an acknowledgment of the city's role in the region, and this is something to build on. This is really central to Bernero's larger point that mid-Michigan, like it or not, is all about Lansing.

Email Mickey Hirten at mickey@lansingcitypulse.com.

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Ingham County solicits competitive sealed proposals for the purpose of furnishing and delivering de-icing solution to all three Ingham County Road Department facilities. Details at: http://pu.ingham org, under Current Bids link, Pkt. 80-14

Bombs bursting in air

The constant mini-explosions that crack the night leave Loretta Stanaway with a troubling choice

"I'm torn. Do I pick up the phone and call the police to report what might be gunshots, only to find out it's fireworks, or do I not?" she asks.

And in her neighborhood, located in the South Lansing area of Jolly, Pennsylvania and Cedar, that's a difficult decision. She says the neighborhood has been rocked with gun shots over the last year. The Fourth of July holiday has only complicated the situation.

Stanaway is not alone in this struggle.

Ray Kurtis lives in downtown Lansing. He says for a month before and after the Fourth of July there is cacophony of fireworks explosions through the night. "I used to [call the police]," says Kurtis. "They would eventually drive by, things would quiet down for maybe 30 minutes, and then go back to what it was before."

City officials say enforcement of the city's ordinance is tough. It requires a police officer to witness fireworks being used during the forbidden hours of midnight and 8 a.m. or to get a citizen to sign a sworn affidavit accusing a neighbor of violating the law. The law only authorizes the use of fireworks on the day before, the day of and the day after nationally recognized holidays. Those found guilty can face a fine of up to \$500 and possibly face 90 days in jail.

Getting police officers into neighborhoods for quality of life issues is tough in these tight budget times, which raises the question: The new fireworks law created a new revenue stream for the state of Michigan; so where is that money going?

Right off the top, \$1 million a year in funds raised under the fireworks law goes into firefighter training. Anything above and beyond that is absorbed by the state's Licensing and Regulatory Af-



Becky McKendry/City Pu

would quiet down for maybe American Eagle Superstore in Lansing sells hundreds of varieties of fireworks.

fairs program. None of the money raised under a state fee of 6 percent imposed on the total sales volume of fireworks in a year is diverted to local governments tasked with enforcing the law.

In 2012, LARA collected \$1,341,189. For 2013, the program got \$1,821,997 and the 2014 estimate is put at about \$1.9 million, says Shelly Edgerton, deputy director of LARA.

The training funds are broken out in \$10,000 direct grants to the counties to parcel out in training as they see fit. The remaining money is put out in special grants for various training programs the fire department might not otherwise be able to afford.

But state Rep. Andy Schor, D-Lansing, points out that the distribution actually violates a funding formula created by the Legislature with the new law. The legislation used the population and geographic size of a community as the basis for payments. It was complicated to ad-

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PUBLIC NOTICES

B/14/091 KIRCHER SCORER SHED REPAIRS as per the specifications provided by the City of Lansing. The City of Lansing will accept sealed bids at the FINANCE DEPARTMENT, PURCHASING OFFICE, 8TH FLOOR CITY HALL, 124 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE, LANSING, MICHIGAN 48933 until 3:00 PM local time in effect on JUNE 26, 2014 at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. Complete specifications and forms required to submit bids are available by calling Stephanie Robinson, CPPB at (517) 483-4128, or email: Stephanie.Robinson@lansingmi.gov, or for content and purpose of this bid contact Marty Riel, at (517) 483-4079, or go to www. mitn.info . The City of Lansing encourages bids from all vendors including MBE/WBE vendors and Lansing-based businesses.

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Let us prey

Factions at Friendship Baptist Church move farther apart

The deep divide at Lansing's ironically named Friendship Baptist Church saw members this weekend barricading the church's exits.

Friendship's factions — one led by the Rev. Clyde Carnegie and the other by the Rev. David Ford split several years ago.

But the split wasn't about matters of faith or worship. Rather, it's a fight for control of the church's governing body, once led by the late Rev. Lester Stone, who had



served as the church's pastor for 27 years. The split began under his tenure, coming to a head in 2010 when some members filed a lawsuit against Stone for trying to set up a separate church ban account. The suit was subsequently dismissed.

Bishop David Maxwell, a local pastor who leads Mayor Virg Bernero's Office of Community and Faith Based Initiatives, is one of many area leaders who have attempted to mediate the fighting.

He said the divide goes deeper than what has been reported about disputes over church funds and time slots for services.

According to Maxwell, both sides are on the same page theologically. They just each claim governmental authority over the church and are unwilling to budge.

"One side felt that their constitution was adopted, the other felt it was not adopted," Maxwell said. "Herein lies the problem. Who is the democratically elected governing body?"

Maxwell said that because it's unclear who governs the church, it's hard to get details of any given incident.

"It's very difficult for us to ascertain who's doing the disruption, because both have claims to authority over the building," Maxwell said. "There's been some damage, changing of locks, keys broken off in locks, missing property."

Maxwell said he was hopeful when the mayor's office brokered an agreement to keep peace two years ago and both sides agreed to share the facility. A couple months ago, he said, the warring started up again.

"This is a very, very deep divide," he said. "It's really territorial."

Although he doesn't have the answer, Maxwell said he will continue to attempt mediation alongside city officials.

The church deserves that much, he said.

"A lot of people from Friendship have become a part of Lansing's fabric," he said.
"It is one of the most influential churches in the city."

- Becky McKendry

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING EAST LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given of the following public hearing to be held by the East Lansing Planning Commission on Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the 54-B District Court, Courtroom 2, 101 Linden Street, East Lansing

A public hearing will be held for the purpose of considering a lot split application from 3400 West Road, LLC for the property at 3400 West Road. The applicant is requesting lot split approval to split the existing lot into three smaller lots.

Call (517) 319-6930, the Department of Planning, Building and Development, East Lansing City Hall, 410 Abbot Road, East Lansing, for additional information. All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. These matters will be on the agenda for the next Planning Commission meeting after the public hearing is held, at which time the Commission may vote on them. The Planning Commission's recommendations are then placed on the agenda of the next City Council meeting. The City Council will make the final decision on these applications.

The City of East Lansing will provide reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as interpreters for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities upon request received by the City seven (7) calendar days prior to the meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring aids or services should write or call the Planning Department, 410 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI 48823. Phone: (517) 319-6930. TDD Number: 1-800-649-3777

> Marie E. Wicks City Clerk

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CITY OF LANSING **SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE # 1189**

Lansing City Council adopted An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to Amend Chapter 608, Section 4, of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages within Groesbeck Golf Course and Hope Soccer Complex, subject to ordinance requirements.

Effective date: Upon publication

The full text of this Ordinance is available for review at the City Clerk's Office, 9th Floor, City Hall, Lansing, Michigan. A copy of the full text of this Ordinance may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 9th Floor, City Hall, Lansing, Michigan at a fee determined by City Council.

CHRIS SWOPE, LANSING CITY CLERK

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NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON **AUGUST 5, 2014** IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN

Please take notice that the Charter Township of Meridian will hold an election on August 5, 2014.

For the purpose of nominating candidates of the Democratic and Republican parties for partisan

STATE CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATIVE

DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY CONVENTION

Also to vote on the following proposals:

PROPOSAL 14-1: APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF AMENDATORY ACT TO REDUCE STATE USE TAX AND REPLACE WITH A LOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION SHARE TO MODERNIZE THE TAX SYSTEM TO HELP SMALL BUSINESSES GROW AND CREATE JOBS

COUNTY CATA MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

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Full text of the ballot proposals may be obtained at the Office of the Meridian Township Clerk, 5151 Marsh Rd., Okemos, MI 48864, teléphone 517-853-4300 or by viewing your ballot at www.michigan. gov/vote.

MONDAY JULY 7 IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER in order to be eligible to vote at the August 5, 2014 election. Any qualified elector who is not already registered to vote may register for the August 5, 2014 election. Persons registering after 5p.m. on Monday, July 7, 2014 are not eligible to vote at

To register to vote, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the Ingham County Clerk's office or Meridian Township Clerk's Office, 5151 Marsh Rd., Okemos, MI 48864 Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., telephone 853-4300.

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Fireworks

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minister. Schor says he is working with legislators to address the funding issues.

Lansing does have one other option to find funding for enforcement. The state offers a program where local municipalities and the state share the licensing fees paid by businesses in order to legally sell fireworks in the state. Right now, a business wishing to sell fireworks has to pay \$600 for temporary location license such as those for roadside tents - and \$1,000 for a permanent location. All of that money goes to LARA.

Under the program, staff from a municipality is trained by the state to conduct the licensing inspections and enforcement of the licensing rules. The municipality gets 70 percent of the licensing fee, the state gets 30 percent of the fee. That money is not encumbered and could be used for enforcement of the local ordinances.

Lansing does not participate in this licensing program.

"Mayor Bernero has said publicly in the past that the state should share those resources with local communities like Lansing," says Randy Hannan, Bernero's chief of staff. "We encourage our legislative delegation to work with the appropriate state agencies to clarify and enforce the legislative intent that the funds should be shared with local communities."

Hannan says the city's budget is not specific enough to identify how much the city spent on fireworks enforcement last year. But the city did issue 18 citations for violating the law and "many more warnings" last year. The city used police officers and Fire Department officials to enforce the law.

Strict enforcement is virtually impossible without many more police officers on duty throughout the city. The state is collecting significant new tax dollars from wholesalers and retailers, but NOT passing those dollars on to local governments who are responsible for keeping the peace," Bernero told residents in a Facebook thread on June 6.

And while last year the combined resources of the fire department and police department were tasked with enforcement, Bernero says he is considering bringing in the "orange trucks," or public service department workers.

'We do not have a detailed operational plan for those additional personnel at this time," Hannan says of Bernero's idea.

So the fireworks keep popping, Stanaway keeps wondering whether to call the police and waste valuable police resources on a goose chase for a gun shots fired, or to ignore the noises; and Kurtis is coming nearer the two week timeframe around the Fourth when he becomes "irritated" by the sounds of bombs bursting in air.

-Todd Heywood

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION FOR THE TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014 ELECTION

To the qualified electors of the City of Lansing

Please take notice that the City of Lansing will hold an election on August 5, 2014.

Monday, July 7, 2014 is the last day to register in order to be eligible to vote at the August 5, 2014 Election. Any qualified elector who is not already registered to vote may register for the August 5, 2014 Election. Persons registering after Monday, July 7, 2014, are not eligible to vote at this election.

For the purpose of nominating candidates to the following offices:

Governor, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Prosecuting Attorney (Eaton County), County Commissioner, Delegates to county convention

For the purpose of voting on the following proposals:

State:

Approval or disapproval of amendatory act to reduce state use tax and replace with a local community stabilization share to modernize the tax system to help small businesses grow and create jobs

Transportation Authority:

Cata Millage Renewal

District Library:Capital Area District Library Renewal

Eligible persons may register to vote, change their voter registration address or change their name

- in any of the following ways:

 In Person At your county clerk's office; the Lansing City Clerk's Office (124 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933, (517) 483-4133); any Secretary of State Branch office; designated agencies administered under the Department of Human Services, the Department of Community Health, and the Department of Labor and Economic Growth; or military recruitment offices.
 - By Mail By submitting a mail-in voter registration application to the Lansing City Clerk (124 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933 or your county clerk.
 - Online Voter registration addresses may be changed with a driver's license or personal i.d. number at www.expressSOS.com.

Chris Swope, Certified Municipal Clerk Lansing City Clerk

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ARTS & CULTURE

Timelessness meets spaceiness

Worlds collide at Summer Solstice Jazz Festival By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

The Summer Solstice Jazz Festival brings two raucous flavors of jazz into its tent this weekend — ecstatic "space mu-

East Lansing Summer Solstice Jazz Festival Gécile McLorin Salvant

7:30-8:45 p.m. Friday, June 20 Main Stage Lot #1, 230 Albert Ave., East Lansing FREE

Kozmic Picnik: Planet D Nonet

Broad Art Museum sculpture garden 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 21 followed by Second Line Parade Lowdown Brass Band 2:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, June 21

Full festival schedule: eljazzfest.com

sic" and jubilant New Orleans-style brass — in a venue only East Lansing can offer.

Saturday afternoon in the courtyard of MSU's Broad Art Museum, Detroit's Planet D Nonet will pay tribute to the 100th birthday of bandleader/pianist/composer/mystic Sun Ra, the avatar of Afrofuturism who claimed to hail from Saturn. Why the Broad? Along with the Wharton Center, the Broad Museum is joining the festival's growing list of MSU partners, and there's no better place to showcase the cosmic vibes of Sun Ra than a museum many folks have already compared to a spaceship.

The task of getting the cosmic travelers safely back to Earth — or at least to the Albert Avenue park-

ing lot and the rest of the festival — was left to professionals with sousaphones.

After the Planet D concert, a full-tilt Mardi Gras procession with beads, dancing and costumes will make its way from the Broad to the main festival area, to the whoops and whumps of Chicago's Lowdown Brass Band.

If you weren't around to hear Sun Ra at East Lansing's Stables club in the 1970s, you owe it to yourself to dig the next best thing.

"He's the cosmic master," bluesman RJ Spangler of the Planet D Nonet declared. "He took it into the Space Age for sure."

A big swing sound, crack arrangements, be-boppy twists and turns and frequent bursts of interplasmic modulation made Sun Ra's music unique in all the universe. Throw Duke Ellington's orchestra into a cyclotron and you might have some idea. But Saturday's tribute is not a sterile exercise in hero worship: Several Planet D members have close ties with Sun Ra and his legendary band, the Arkestra. Spangler first heard the Arkestra in Ann Arbor in the 1970s, got caught in its gravitational field and ended up hanging out with members of the band and talking with Ra.

"Detroit has a close connection with Sun Ra's band," Spangler explained. (The "D" in "Planet D" stands for "Detroit.") " A lot of the guys who came through that band were Detroiters and were close to me. They'd fill me in on everything and that's been with me all my life."

With its widest range of music yet and an irresistible headliner in vocalist Cécile McLorin Salvant, East Lansing's Summer Solstice Jazz Festival is grooving high this year. (See pullout section for entire schedule.)

The Airmen of Note's Glenn Miller-style swing will jostle with the straight-up blues/R&B of Thornetta Davis, the Latin sounds of Orquesta Ritmo and Aguonkó (with Cuban conga man Pepe Spinosa), the festival debut of trombonist Michael Dease's big band and a phalanx of straight-ahead jazz stalwarts like saxman Diego Rivera.

In recent years, with the help of co-sponsor Wharton Center, the festival has become a platform for young artists making global waves. This year, there are two rising stars to watch for: Trumpeter/singer Benny Benack III, anointed by Wynton Marsalis as one of the next generation of jazz greats, will bring a crack band of top New York musicians to his 6 p.m. Friday gig.

But the hottest (free) ticket in this hot field is arguably 25-year-old vocalist Cécile McLorin Salvant, set to follow Benack Friday at 7:30. Like two Solstice performers of recent years, bassist Esperanza Spalding and vocalist Cyrille Aimée, Salvant is bringing a fresh take to the music and drawing younger audiences without losing hardcore connoisseurs.

Salvant's playfulness, intelligence and supreme musicality drew strong comparisons from Whitaker.

"In jazz, we've got virtuosos like Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan, and musically, she's already at that level," said artistic director Rodney Whitaker. "I've never met a person that age with so much depth of understanding of the history of

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Courtesy Photo

Cécile McLorin Salvant performs at the East Lansing Summer Solistice Jazz Festival this weekend.

her craft. It's scary."

Whitaker accompanied Salvant when she won the 2010 Thelonious Monk competition, the most prestigious in jazz.

While other singers tried to wow the judges with complicated arrangements, Salvant brought no-nonsense material suited to her no-nonsense approach. Salvant had her rhythm section (Whitaker, drummer Carl Allen and pianist Reggie Thomas) warmed up and ready to go in 15 minutes. "We looked at each other and said, 'She's gonna win," Whitaker said. "We just knew it."

Salvant's debut CD, "WomanChild," mixes original songs with some daring choices, including 90-year-old chestnuts she livens up as if they were just minted. Whitaker plays bass on the CD.

"She sang everything live," Whitaker marveled. "She didn't overdub one note on that record. If we did a tune three or four times, she did it perfectly every time."

Courtesy Photo

Gordon Lightfoot, singer of "Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald" and "Sundown," plays Wharton Center Thursday.

Golden road Q&A: Gordon Lightfoot plays Wharton on 50th anniversary tour By RICH TUPICA

Bob Dylan once said that when he heard a Gordon Lightfoot song, he wished it would last forever. The two songwriters came up

Gordon Lightfoot 8 p.m. Thursday, June 19 Wharton Center, Cobb Great Hall

750 E. Shaw Lane, East Lansing, MSU campus \$35-\$65 (800) WHARTON, whartoncenter.com through the '60s music scene together, churning out folk tunes that have become standards.

Lightfoot, who performs Thurs-

day at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts, penned classics like "Early Morning Rain," "Sundown," "If You Could Read My Mind" and "Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald." This appearance is part of his 50 Years on the Carefree Highway Tour, which marks the golden anniversary (sort of) of being on the road.

Lightfoot, 75, chatted by phone recently about partying with Dylan, which artist he got star struck around and why Detroit holds a special place in his heart.

How did you meet Bob Dylan?

I was in his management stable with Albert Grossman, the famous manager. I met Bob at Albert's office in New York. He was under contract at the same time. When I got with Albert Grossman I couldn't believe my songwriting had taken me to that point.

Did you hang with Dylan outside of work?

I went to his house up in Woodstock, years before the Woodstock festival. We'd

go there and visit. (Canadian country/folk singers) Ian & Sylvia went up there with me. When Bob's Rolling Thunder Revue (tour) came through Toronto, my house became party central. I've had interesting times with Bob.

What's the favorite tour you've done?

There was one in my particular genre — James Taylor, myself, John Denver and Harry Chapin all together did a series of concerts. That was definitely a high point. That was in the late '70s.

Have you ever been star struck?

I met Mick Jagger. I was so shy and awestruck I could barely speak to him. The first time I met him was in Montreux, Switzerland, at his recording studio there. I was in Switzerland playing with Van Morrison,

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Leonard Cohen and Jesse Winchester. When I went into the recording studio, Mick was working on something, I think I was interrupting him. There I was, playing on the piano when you walk in the place. I don't know if he liked it. I was sitting there playing it when he walked in, he said, 'Who's this guy?'

How did this tour come about?

Well, that was really my agent's idea to do that. Actually, he tacked on two years: I've only been at it 48 years. He's a nice guy so I didn't get on his case about it.

When did you first start touring?

I played both Canada and the United States starting in 1965. First time I ever played in the United States with a work visa, I opened for Oscar Peterson at the Masonic Temple in Detroit. Detroit was my jumping off spot. I was playing the club circuit.

How did you land your first record deal?

I got some songs recorded by Peter, Paul & Mary. They were very big at the time, they got a hit single with one of my songs called 'For Loving Me.' That was my start. Back then, I was still living very menially with a wife and two young children. I walked out of the bedroom one day and it was playing on the radio. I couldn't believe it.

How did you research the facts for 'Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald?'

I went to the newspaper — we had no computers then — and got the back copies. I thought I'm certainly not going to guess upon whose fault this was. Secondly, I'm going to get it into chronological order.

What can people expect to hear at the Wharton Center?

We have to make sure we do all of the standards every night — maybe 12 or 14 songs we think people would really like to hear. We always play the standards, then rotate the extra songs around the standards. We do two hours with a 20-minute intermission.

You had a stroke and some other health issues a few years back, how are you feeling?

I'm good. I still love going on tour. At one point there was a rumor going around that I had died. That was about four years ago. The reports of my death were greatly exaggerated.

Do you think you'll release a new album anytime soon?

I'm not interested in getting into another project because all of my recording obligations have been fulfilled and I don't wish to re-sign with any label right now. Besides, I have an extended family and they require a lot of attention. There are always a couple songs on the backburner and I enjoy that, just for fun.

Ripped, soiled and battered

Summer events highlight for revitalized Lansing Sports Hall of Fame

By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

Bob Every doesn't let anything bug him for long. He picks up the phone and calls the bullpen, deploys the spread option offense, goes for the fast break, pulls the goalie, bowls the extra frame.

He can do that — play all the sports at once — because he's the director of the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame.

Like a good coach, Every has anticipated your next thought: "Boring row of plaques in

Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame -George Ranney Commemoration

2 p.m. Monday, June 23 Ranney Park Senior High School All-Star Softball Tournament to follow a hallway." He's a few plays ahead of you there.

In the past few

years, Every's team
has assembled a
huge collection of
cool sports stuff,
from Olympicsoiled shoes to

wrestling-ripped singlets and battered spheroids of all types, and wants more people to come to the Lansing Center and smell the glory and perspiration.

"I don't know of any town our size that has produced more great athletes than we have," Every said. "It's not just a hall of fame, but a sports museum for all the great athletes that came through the city of Lansing."

To beat the drums for the Hall of Fame, Every and his team have planned a summer triple play, beginning with Monday's High School All-Star Softball Tournament at Lansing's Ranney Park. Some 94 seniors from 44 area high schools will take part, with games beginning at 4:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. On deck is the Run for Fame, a 10K and 5K run-walk fundraiser July 20 starting at the Lansing Center. The summer rally climaxes at the July 31 Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

Monday's softball tourney at Ranney Park will scratch a towering itch for Every, who played fast pitch there himself back in the 1970s and doubles as a Lansing history buff.

For years, it bothered him that hundreds of people use the park without realizing what a mensch its namesake, George Ranney, was.

"He was probably Lansing's No. 1 citizen," Every said, confident in his scorecard.

Before the softball games begin Monday, the Hall of Fame and the city will unveil a mighty plaque honoring Ranney, a Civil War hero, Lansing's leading physician and the man who donated the park to the city in 1915. Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero, parks Director Brett Kaschinske and parks board Chairman Rick Kibbee will speak.

It's hard to know where to begin praising Ranney. By age 27, as a Civil War surgeon, he saved many lives under fire and was the first mid-Michigan soldier to get the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was captured at Chickamauga and saved more lives at the notorious Confederate prison, Libby, where he was held 44 days.

Back in Lansing, Ranney was among the first researchers to link foul water with typhoid fever. We'd now call him a pioneer in environmental health. He pressured Lansing's City Council to require landowners to plant trees -22,000 of them. His last public act was to block a plan to build an incinerator near the waterworks, because the runoff would foul the city's water. He doland to the city, including Ranney Park.

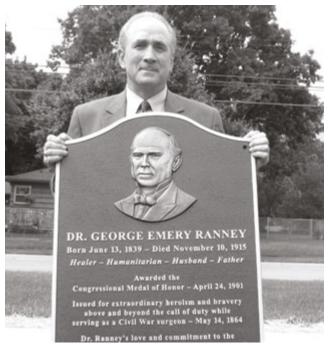
Getting Ranney proper props at his own park is only the latest play Every has successfully called for the Hall of Fame, which started in 1976 at Lansing Community College.

A few years ago, the Hall of Fame moved from an obscure spot on the LCC campus to a high-profile corner of the Lansing Center, but the sterile array of plaques just didn't yell "sports" to Every.

He huddled with his all-volunteer team and devised a game plan. They called all the athletes (or their heirs) they could think of and gathered a museum-quality collection of memorabilia.

Now you can smell the sweat, blood and Desenex through more than 75 glass cases.

They shamelessly raided Lansing City Councilwoman Judi Brown Clark's closet for the blazer she wore at the 1984 Sum-



Eric Finkler/City Pulse

nated thousands of acres of land to the city, including Ranney Park.

Bob Every holding up the plaque honoring George Ranney, a Civil War-era Lansing hero. Ranney will be honored at the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame on Monday.

mer Olympics, where she took the Silver Medal in the 400-meter hurdles. They've got the shoes Fred Alderman wore when he won a Gold Medal at a record-setting 1928 Amsterdam Olympics relay, along with the shoes and singlet he wore on the 1926 MSU track team.

Needless to say, Earvin "Magic" Johnson contributed a jersey, and so did pro hockey's Miller brothers, Kip, Kevin and Kelly. A replica jersey gives a nod to the Detroit Tigers' Charlie Gehringer, a Fowlerville native and arguably the greatest second basemen to play the game. (A real jersey would take a decade of fundraisers.)

"We got swimming suits, bowling balls — you won't believe it," Every said, going into extra innings. "And it's done with class. It's something everyone in Lansing has to see."

Grand fish at the rodeo

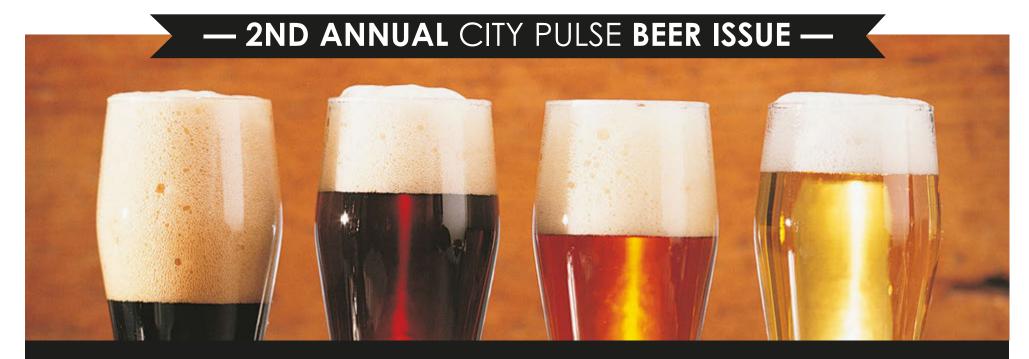
The inaugural Grand American Fish
Rodeo event last weekend featured live
music, fishing contests, a fashion show
and an appearance by a very big fish. This
is Gill, a 25-foot long, 15-foot-tall blue gill
statue made out of about 2,500 recycled laundry detergent bottles.

"Gill was a collaboration between the Delhi Township Public Services Department and the Holt Community Arts

Council to promote the recycling center," said Delhi Township maintenance supervisor James Lennon. "It was something a little different, and I think it came out really nice."

Lennon said Gill was the brainchild of Delhi Township's Director of Public Services Sandra Diorka, who commissioned the statue in 2008. He said the statue spends most of the time at the Delhi Township Waste Water Treatment Facility, but Lennon wasn't sure where Gill was parked this week.

"He goes around to various events around town to raise awareness about recycling," Lennon said. "The kids love him."



ON TAPS AND APPS

MICHIGAN CRAFT BEER SCENE GETS DIGITAL

By ALLAN I. ROSS

ou've probably noticed the beer selection at your local tavern slowly transforming itself from the same labels that have been there since tube TVs (remember those?) into an ever-widening array of names as colorful as the newfangled tap handles delivering them: Hopmouth. Dirty Bastard. Dragon's Milk. Dwarf Invasion. Wait a minute — are these real beers or is someone talking about the "Game of Thrones" finale?

The popularity of craft beer continues to rise. And as it does, so does the mystique surrounding it. What is the difference between a pale ale and an India pale ale? Between a brewery, a pub and a brewpub? Between a craft beer and an un-craft beer?

In the second annual City Pulse Beer Issue, we demystify some of the more peculiar facets of the craft beer scene. We understand, there's a lot going on, and we know you don't need another set of gatekeepers to make you feel self-conscious

about your drink of choice. (We're looking at you, wine snobs.) And just for fun, we'll give you a primer on some of those intriguing tap handles that may have you leaning over the bar for a better look. Is that a shotgun?

And, of course, the Information Age won't let a night at the bar keep you off the grid. A slew of new smart phone apps have been designed to help you rate and keep track of the new beers you try as you try them. They'll also help you find more brewpubs in your area, connect you with local beer events and even give you an estimate of your blood alcohol level so you know whether you should keep this bar crawl going or call a taxi and start over another night.

You'll also get to meet the experts. In this year's guide, we introduce you to travel writer Kevin Revolinski, author of "Michigan's Best Beer Guide," who says Michigan is experiencing a Golden Age of beer. And he'd know: He spent the last few years traveling the state and documenting the rapidly expanding number of breweries and brewpubs. Then

there are the brains behind "The Michigan Beer Show," a weekly podcast devoted to talking about craft beer while drinking craft beer, complete with a handy rating system.

Finally, we've got a guide to the events in the third annual Lansing Beer Week, which starts Friday and goes through June 28. There will be tap takeovers, limited batch releases and specialty beer/food pairings, all culminating in the second Lansing Beer Fest, which moves out from between the buildings of REO Town and takes over Washington Avenue this year. Live music, swag and beer and cider from 33 Michigan breweries will give you a chance to get acquainted with craft beer, or familiarize yourself with some new styles, as the case may be.

So climb on — the craft beer bubble doesn't appear to be popping anytime soon, even if the brewers are going to have to get increasingly inventive with their appellations. Which includes brews like Breath of the Dragon Bitter. Oh George R. R. Martin, what hath thou wrought?

GLOSSARY ADAPTED FROM BEERADVOCATE, COM) AMERICAN PALE ALE (APA): The even balance of malt and hops gives this style a range of flavor from lightly herbal to highly bitter.

BREAKFAST STOUT: Made by Founder's. Stouts are dark with a roasted taste.

This stout is brewed with Sumatra and Kona coffees, chocolate and oats.

BREWPUB: Pub that makes beer and sells at least 50 percent of it in-house.

BREWERY: An establishment for the manufacture of beer and malt liquor.

CRAFT BEER: A highly regionalized beer produced in small quantities (less than 2 million barrels per year) and is independently owned.

DUBBEL: A rich, malty Belgian-style beer with spicy and mild alcoholic levels.

IMPERIAL: Used to denote a variation on a style of beer that has stronger flavor and higher alcohol content than the standard of the style.

INDIA PALE (IPA): High bitter taste due to high concentration of hops. Also typically high in alcohol content.

MICROBREWERY: A brewery that produces less than 15,000 barrels of beer per year with 75 percent or more of its beer sold off-site.

MILK STOUT: Stouts with a higher amount of unfermented sugars that make the beer sweeter and give it more body.

NITRO: When a beer has a higher nitrogen to carbon dioxide ratio, giving the beer a thick, creamy texture.

STOUT: Sometimes aged in whiskey barrels or have chocolate and coffee flavors giving it a dark color.

TASTING ROOM: An area of a brewery/winery where visitors can taste a selection of the product. Some offer light appetizers or allow guests to bring their own food.

TRIPEL: A Belgian-style beer that uses three times the amount of malt than a traditional brew. Typically darker than the average pilsner, from bright yellow to gold. High in alcohol, it often has spices added to create a fruity, sweet finish.

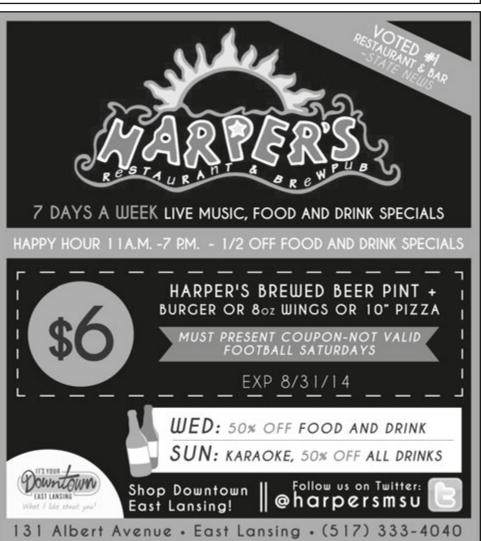


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NEW APPS BRING BEER ENJOYMENT TO THE INFORMATION AGE

Compiled by ERIC FINKLER

Between all the embarrassing selfies, cracked screens and drunkdialed exes that have resulted from bringing our smart phones with us to the bar, you'd think we would have learned to leave them at home by now. Leave it to technology to make them an actually useful part of the drinking process.

A new slew of apps have made your smart phone even handier now. They were designed to help you through a variety of craft beer situations, such as keeping track of which beers you've tasted and how many sit-ups you'll have to do tomorrow to compensate for the unnecessary calories tonight.

These craft beer-centric apps are all available for immediate download:



Beer Buddy Barcode Scanner (iOS, \$3.99) Scan the barcode on your beer to learn more

about the beer, its brewery, alcohol content and more. Searches the Ratebeers.com database for reviews and comments from around the world.



gives access to custom beer lists, beer searches and local events. It also recommends beer/food combinations.

BeerGram (iOS, FREE) Allows you to buy a beer for a friend if you can't be there personally, whether he's just at another bar or several time zones away. (Only works with participating vendors.)



DrinkFit (iOS, \$1.99) Tallies the calorie and carb count of your drinks as your night progresses.



DrinkTracker Breathalyzer (iOS, \$1.99) Helps calculate your blood alcohol level when you

enter your weight, age, what you've drank, its alcohol percentage and how much time has elapsed.



Find Craft Beer (Android, 99 cents) Using your phone's GPS, it searches the beermapping.com database on distances to brewpubs, breweries, beer bars

and homebrew shops. **Ibrewmaster** (Android & iOS, \$7.99-\$17.99) Designed for

home brewers, it comes with premade recipes and allows you to tweak recipes to fit your taste buds.



Beer Hound (Android & iOS, FREE) Includes events calendars and an interactive user

review system on beers, breweries, brewpubs and beer stores.

Pintley (Android & iOS, FREE) Find free beer-tasting events with this app as well as have it recommend beers based on your own previous rankings.

Untappd (Android & iOS, FREE) Use it to rate beer you've tasted and get personalized recommendations based on what you like. You can also use it to see what beers are trending and what your friends are drinking.



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WiFi = Wireless Internet, OS = Outdoor Seating, RES = Reservations

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Dark Horse Brewing Co. — Featuring Crooked Tree IPA and Sapient Tripel Ale. 511 S. Kalamazoo Ave., Marshall. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight Friday-Saturday; noon-10 p.m. Sunday. darkhorsebrewery.com, (269) 781-9940. F, WiFi, OS, LM

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Grand River Brewery — With the Sleeping Bear Brown Ale and Monkey Mouth IPA. 117 W. Louis Glick Highway, Jackson. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday brunch. grandrivermarketplace.com, (517) 962-2427. F, W, LM, WiFi, OS

Harper's Restaurant & Brewpub – Features Harper's Ale and Spartan Wheat. 131 Albert Ave., East Lansing. 11 a.m.-2 a.m. daily. harpersbrewpub.com, (517) 333-4040. LM, F, OS, RES, FB, W, WiFi

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51 North Brew Pub — Wind Walker Brown Ale and Velvet Moose Chocolate Oatmeal Stout. 51 N. Broadway St., Lake Orion. 3-11 p.m. Monday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday. 51northbrewing. com, (248) 690-7367. LM, F, W, OS

Arbor Brewing Co. Pub & Eatery — With Bollywood Blonde and Bavarian Bliss Hefeweizen. 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. 11:30-1 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-midnight Sunday. arborbrewing.com, (734) 213-1393. F, FB, WiFi, OS, RES, W

Arcadia Ales — Hopmouth Double IPA, Sky High Rye Pale Ale. Two locations: 103 Michigan Ave. West, Battle Creek. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday; noon-11 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday. 701 E. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo. Noon-1 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday; noon-9 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday. (269) 963-9690. LM, F, WiFi, OS

Bell's Brewery — Home of Oberon, Midwestern Pale Ale and Kalamazoo Stout. 335 E. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo. 11 a.m.-midnight Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; noonmidnight Sunday. bellsbeer.com, (269) 382-2332. LM, F, W, WIFI, OS

Blue Tractor BBQ & Brewery — Featuring the Double Crop West Coast Style, Double IPA and the Belgian-style Ginger Peach

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Saison. 207 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. 11 a.m.-12 a.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11-2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; noon-midnight Sunday. bluetractor.net, (734) 222-4095. LM, F, OS, RES, F, FB, OS

Chelsea Alehouse — With the Bog Trail Brown Ale and Waterloo Wheat. 420 N. Main St., Chelsea. 3-11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 12-11 p.m. Thursday; noonmidnight Friday-Saturday; noon- 9 p.m. Sunday, chelseaalehouse.com, (734) 433-5500. LM, F, OS, RES

Founders Brewing Co. — With Red Rye Pale Ale and Curmudgeon. 235 Grandville Ave., Grand Rapids. 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-midnight Sunday. foundersbrewing.com, (616) 776-1195. F, OS, RES, LM, WiFi

Grand Rapids Brewing Co. — Featuring New Mission Organics and John Ball Brown. 1 Ionia Ave., Grand Rapids. 4p.m.- midnight Monday-Thurday; 4 p.m.- 2 a.m. Friday; 11a.m.- 2 a.m. Saturday; 11a.m.- midnight Sunday; grbrewingcompany.com (616) 458-7000. F, FB, OS, RES, W, WiFi

Griffin Claw Brewing Co. — With Norm's Raggedy Ass IPA and Grand Trunk Bohemian Pilsner. 575 S. Eton St., Birmingham. 2-11 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 2 p.m.-midnight Friday; noon-midnight Saturday; noon-10 p.m. Sunday. griffinclawbrewingcompany. com, (248) 712-4050. F

Grizzly Peak Brewing Co. — Bear Paw Porter and County Cork's Irish Stout. 120 W. Washington St., Ann Arbor. 11 a.m.midnight Sunday-Wednesday; 11-2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; noon-11 p.m. Sunday. grizzlypeak.net, (734) 741-7325. F, OS, RES, W, FB, OS, WiFi

Harmony Brewing Co. — Featuring the Lil Sebastian IPA and Golden Lion Tamarin. 1551 Lake Drive SE, Grand Rapids. 11 a.m.-midnight Monday- Saturday; noonmidnight Sunday; (616) 233-0063.

Hideout Brewing Co. — Featuring Hazelnut IPA. 3113 Plaza Drive, Grand Rapids. Noon-1 a.m. Monday-Thursday;

noon-2 a.m. Friday-Saturday; noonmidnight Sunday. hideoutbrewing.com, (616) 361-9658. W, WIFI, OS, LM

HopCat — With the Zugspitz wheat beer. 25 Ionia Ave., Grand Rapids. 11:30 a.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-2 a.m. Sunday. (616) 451-4677. F, OS, FB, W, WiFi

Mountain Town Station Brewery Steam Engine Stout and Gambler's Golden Ale. 506 W. Broadway St., Mount Pleasant. 4-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 11:30-9 p.m. Sunday. mountaintown.com, (989) 775-2337. F, FB, OS, RES, WiFi, W

Vivant Brewery — Belgian-style beers include Farm Hand and Triomphe. 925 Cherry St. SE, Grand Rapids. 3-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 3 p.m.-midnight Friday; 11 a.m.-midnight Saturday; noon-9 p.m. Sunday. breweryvivant.com, (616) 719-1604. F, RES, FB, W, OS

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Atwater Block Brewery — Featuring the Dirty Blonde and Vanilla Java Porter. 237 Joseph Campau, Detroit. 4-10 p.m. Monday-Friday; 2-10 p.m. Saturday; noon-8 p.m. Sunday. atwaterbeer.com, (313) 877-9205. F, W, RES, OS

Bastone Brewery — Monumental Blonde and Main Street Pilsner. 419 S. Main St., Royal Oak. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-2 a.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday. bastone.net, (248) 544-6250. F, W, RES, OS, WiFi, LM

Black Lotus Brewing Co. Hellahopper Imperial Pale Lager and Red Tao Amber. 1 E. 14 Mile Road, Clawson. 11:30-1 a.m. Monday-Thursday; 11:30-2 a.m. Friday-Saturday; noon-10 p.m. Sunday. blacklotusbrewery.com, (248) 577-1878. LM, F, FB, RES, OS

Detroit Beer Co. — With the Broadway Light and Steam Tunnel Stout. 529 Broadway St., Detroit. 11 a.m.-midnight Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Friday-Saturday; noon-midnight Sunday. detroitbeerco. com, (313) 962-1529. F

Dragonmead Microbrewery — Breath of the Dragon Bitter and Final Absolution. 14600 E. Eleven Mile Road, Warren. 3-11

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p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight Friday-Saturday; 1-8 p.m., closed July-Aug. Sunday. (586) 776-9428, dragonmead.com. F, WiFi

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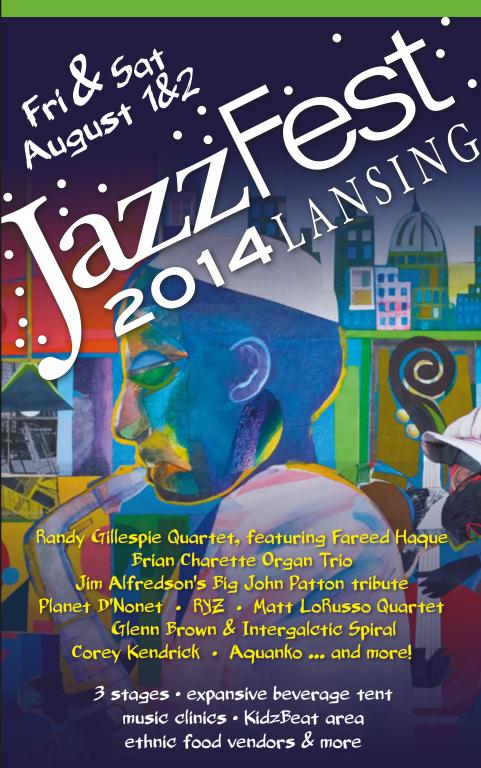
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THE SOUL OF JAZZ IN THE HEART OF EAST LANSING

WELCOME TO THE 18TH ANNUAL SUMMER SOLSTICE JAZZ FESTIVAL!

This **FREE** festival features two evenings of live outdoor jazz followed by Afterglow performances at Peppino's, 213 Ann St. The festival is presented by the City of East Lansing, Wharton Center for Performing Arts and the MSU College of Music, with artistic direction by Rodney Whitaker.

MAIN STAGE ★

Join us under the big tent in Lot #1, 230 Albert Ave., for an exciting mix of local, regional and national jazz talent!

MSU OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT EDUCATION STAGE \$\frac{1}{2}\$

This performance area gives local high school and up-and-coming jazz musicians an opportunity to perform on stage at a major festival. The stage is located in Ann Street Plaza across from the Marriott at University Place.

JAZZ KIDS CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY AREA 🌣

Families love the Children's Area! The area offers jazz-inspired activities for kids of all ages. Kids can make Mardi Gras beaded necklaces and Second Line Parade tambourines. The East Lansing Public Library and the Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum will also offer fun activities. In addition, kids can play at the Impression 5 Science Center bubble table, paint at easel stations, get their face painted and more.

HERE'S WHAT'S NEW!

KOZMIC PICNIK

At 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 21, join us in the Sculpture Garden at the Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 East Circle Dr., for the Kozmic Picnik. Bring a picnic basket and enjoy a tribute to avant-garde jazz artist Sun Ra, played by Detroit's own Planet D Nonet.

SECOND LINE PARADE 💠

At 2:30 p.m., immediately following the Kozmic Picnik, there will be a Second Line Parade with the Lowdown Brass Band and grand marshal Dylan Rogers. This is a procession from the Sculpture Garden to Ann Street Plaza. The Second Line Parade is a New Orleans tradition where participants follow the grand marshal and brass band while dancing, handing out beads and twirling parasols. It's all about having a great time and being seen! The entire community is invited and costumes are encouraged!



FRIDAY, JUNE 20

MAIN STAGE • LOT #1 • 230 ALBERT AVE.

4:30 P.M5:30 P.M.	Neil Gordon Quartet	
6:00 P.M7:00 P.M.	Benny Benack III	
7:30 P.M8:45 P.M.	Cécile McLorin Salvant	
9:15 P.M10:30 P.M.	Orquesta Ritmo	
AFTERGLOW 10:45 P.M12:30 A.M.	Layers: LCC Faculty Jazz Quartet @ Peppino's, 213 Ann St.	

MSU OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT EDUCATION STAGE • ANN STREET PLAZA

5:30-6:00 P.M.	MSU Jazz Studies Big Band Symposium
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7:30 P.M8:00 P.M.	MSU Jazz Studies Big Band Symposium
8:00 P.M9:30 P.M.	Thornetta Davis

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

ELI AND EDYTHE BROAD ART MUSEUM

1:00	P.M2	:30 P.M.	
SCUL	PTURE	GARDEN	

Kozmic Picnik: Planet D Nonet

2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M.
PROCESSION FROM
SCULPTURE GARDEN TO
ANN STREET PLAZA

Second Line Parade: Lowdown Brass Band

MAIN STAGE • LOT #1 • 230 ALBERT AVE.

4:30 P.M5:30 P.M.	Sunny Wilkinson
6:00 P.M7:00 P.M.	Diego Rivera Quartet
7:30 P.M8:45 P.M.	The Airmen of Note
9:15 P.M10:30 P.M.	Aguankó
AFTERGLOW 10:45 P.M12:30 A.M.	Michael Dease Big Band @ Peppino's, 213 Ann St.

MSU OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT EDUCATION STAGE ANN STREET PLAZA

3:30 P.M4:30 P.M.	JAMM Scholarship Quarter featuring James Heinlein
5:00 P.M6:00 P.M.	LCC Jazz Band
6:30 P.M7:30 P.M.	East Lansing High School Jazz Band
8:00 P.M9:30 P.M.	Root Doctor

PERFORMER BIOS -

Neil Gordon Quartet: Guitarist-composer Neil Gordon has performed at festivals and venues throughout Michigan, including the Detroit Jazz Festival, the Birmingham Jazz Festival and the Lansing JazzFest. He was chosen as the West Michigan Jazz Society's 2008 Jazz Musician of the Year and has performed with many internationally acclaimed jazz artists, including Michael Brecker and Bobby Shew. The quartet includes Steve Talaga on piano, Ed Fedewa on bass and Larry Ochiltree on drums.

Benny Benack III: As a trumpeter/vocalist, Benny has quickly gained a reputation for being an incredibly versatile, fiery improviser who lends superb technique and musicality to any setting. Along with being featured on Wynton Marsalis' list of the "Next Generation of Jazz Greats," he has won every major jazz trumpet contest, including the National Trumpet Competition - Jazz Division (2012.) Benny also was a finalist in the 2013 Gentlemen Sing Vocal Jazz Competition.

Cécile McLorin Salvant: Cécile performs unique interpretations of unknown and scarcely-recorded jazz and blues compositions. Cécile's "WomanChild" for the Mack Avenue Label (featuring SSJF artistic director Rodney Whitaker) was nominated for the 2014 GRAMMY Award for Best Jazz Vocal Album. She has performed with Wynton Marsalis and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra in New York's Lincoln Center; Chicago's Symphony Center; the Kennedy Center; and the Detroit Jazz Festival. Cécile will return to East Lansing for a performance at Wharton Center on April 29, 2015.

Orquesta Ritmo: Prepare yourself for some red-hot salsa dancing courtesy of mid-Michigan's premier salsa orchestra. Ritmo's 10 members have a dedication to introduce, educate and entertain the American public in the electrifying genre of Latin music. ¡Ven y baila!

Thornetta Davis: Her voice is commanding, strong, melodic and smooth. Thornetta has opened for legendary blues and R&B greats such as Ray Charles, Gladys Knight, Smokey Robinson, Etta James, Buddy Guy and Koko Taylor. She is the winner of 20 Detroit Music Awards and is a sought-after back-up singer that can be heard on recordings with Kid Rock and Bob Seger.

Layers: LCC Faculty Jazz Quartet: Founded in 2007, Layers features Lansing Community College (LCC) faculty members Mike Daniels on drums, Ed Fedewa on bass, Jonathon Gewirtz on saxophone and Dennis Therrian on piano. In addition to performing a variety of jazz including hard-bop, Latin jazz and standards, the quartet also strives for a unique sound featuring original music by each member.

Planet D Nonet: PD9 is Detroit's award-winning swing band. The "D" in the name stands for Detroit and a "nonet" is a group of nine. Typically, the band sticks with one genre at a given performance. This versatile group conquers everything from swing to R&B, from Louie Armstrong to Louie Jordan. On Saturday, they'll feature space-age jazz from Sun Ra!

Lowdown Brass Band: The Lowdown Brass Band (LDBB), hailing from Chicago, is a horn-driven tour de force. A fierce sousaphone sets the foundation for trumpets, trombones and saxophones to intertwine in a cacophony of tight lead lines, spontaneous call-and-response and bombastic brass attacks. LDBB melds second-line street beat, funk, hip-hop, reggae and pop into a unique, high-energy style.

Sunny Wilkinson: With over three decades of accomplishments and performances, Sunny has sung with music icons such as The Count Basie Orchestra, Clark Terry and Curtis Fuller. She has also made significant contributions in jazz education as the past president of the Michigan chapter of the International Association of Jazz Educators, the past chairperson for IAJE's Women's Caucus and the co-founder of IAJE's Sisters in Jazz mentoring program.

Diego Rivera Quartet: He has been called "a vital, new voice on the saxophone." Diego has been teaching Jazz Studies at Michigan State University since 2002 and is currently Assistant Professor of Jazz Saxophone and Improvisation. An avid composer and arranger, Diego has written arrangements for many events, most notably for Jazz at Lincoln Center's "Motor City Jazz" concert at Dizzy's Club Coca-Cola in New York City. He recently released his second album, "The Contender," on the D Clef Records label. Diego has performed with Sophie Milman, The Rodney Whitaker Quartet, the MSU Professors of Jazz, Christian McBride, Clark Terry, Ellis Marsalis and Jon Faddis.

The Airmen of Note: The premier jazz ensemble of the United States Air Force. Created in 1950 to carry on the tradition of Major Glenn Miller's Army Air Corps dance band, the "Note" features 18 of the most talented jazz musicians in the country and is one of the last touring big bands. The Note's steadfast commitment to musical excellence and reputation for setting the highest standards has earned the respect of the world's foremost jazz artists. This has led to collaborations with luminaries like Dizzy Gillespie, Sarah Vaughan and Nancy Wilson.

Aguankó: Three incredible musicians with Latin roots and impressive résumés join forces to move your body and blow your mind. Aguankó is led by percussionist and composer Alberto Nacíf, who has performed with Dizzy Gillespie, John Faddis and Arturo Sandoval. Percussionist Jose "Pepe" Espinosa is a veteran with more than 80 recordings and having toured with Cubanismo, the Afrocuban All Stars, Arturo Sandoval and Chucho Valdés. Aguankó's pianist, Wesley Reynoso, has played alongside Paquito Guzman, James Carter and Joe Lovano.

Root Doctor: Root Doctor plays a diverse mix of classic soul and R&B alongside traditional blues and inspired original material. Along with more than 20 years of performances, they have released four recordings to local and national acclaim—including two Blues Music Award nominations. The Root Doctor résumé includes appearances with Ray Charles, Buddy Guy, Koko Taylor, Little Richard and Taj Mahal.

Michael Dease Big Band: Michael is a two-time GRAMMY Award-winning trombonist with today's leading jazz orchestras, including those led by Christian McBride, Roy Hargrove, Nicholas Payton, Charles Tolliver, Rufus Reid, Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and the Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band. His latest album, "Coming Home" (D Clef Records), features a stellar cast of bandmates, including bassist Christian McBride.



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By ALEXA MCCARTHY

Since the first Lansing Beer Week started two years ago, craft beer popularity has exploded. What began as seven-events-in-seven-days affair has ballooned out to more than 25 events over

3rd Annual Lansing Beer Week Friday, June 20- Saturday,

Friday, June 20- Saturday June 28 Various locations in Greater Lansing

Lansing Beer Fest 1-6 p.m. Saturday, June 28 \$35/\$30 adv. Washington Avenue, REO Town, Lansing

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nine days, including tap takeovers, beer and food pairings and special beer releases.

Paul Starr, founder of the website I'm A Beer Hound and creator of Lansing Beer Week, said he sees the strong momentum as a

good thing for both the craft brew makers and the fans.

"When you go into a brewery, you get the community feel," Starr said. "(For years) we've been focused on worldwide and the regional. We are slowly getting back to buying local and we are starting to get that community back."

One of the activities was a playful contest that challenged local breweries to create a new beer for the week featuring a distinctly Lansing common ingredient. Traverse City has cherries, Mackinac has fudge and Lansing has ... coffee. Well, sort of. The coffee beans Starr decided on come from the Lansing-area micro roaster Craft & Mason Roasting Co.

"I wanted (the breweries) to showcase their own interpretation using coffee and what style beer it can be, whether it is an IPA, a porter or a stout." Starr said.

BAD Brewing Co. and Haslett's Gearhead Brewing Co. collaborated on a Vanilla Coffee Porter that will be released Monday at BAD Brewing's location in Mason. Steve Sneed, co-owner of Gearhead, thought the friendly competition was beneficial for all.

"A rising tide lifts all boats," Sneed said.

"In the craft beer world we often see it as us against the big breweries," Starr said. "Collaborations and helping each other out gives everyone a chance to learn and grow."

Even the Lansing Lugnuts are invested in the future of local craft beer. At the team's home games next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, visitors can enjoy any craft beer in a special Lansing Beer Week glass pint for \$8 from the

Good Hops beer stand.

"We are hoping that by us partnering (with Lansing Beer Week), it will promote the event and let people know (Good Hops is) here, so that more people can find out and try the good Michigan beer that Lansing has," said Lansing Lugnuts special events manager Stephanie Wohlfert.

Brian Rasdal of BAD Brewing says that the goal to mark mid-Michigan as a beer destination is a group effort. The brewery will also be working with the Nuthouse Sports Grill to host a tap takeover on Wednesday, June 25. Its new Strawberry Rhubarb Belgian Triple will make its debut.

"Anything like this that deals with breweries its great not only for us, but other breweries in the area," Rasdal said.

Lansing Beer Week starts Friday with beer tasting events tied in with the Old Town Festival of the Moon, and culmi-



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Paul Starr, founder of Lansing Beer Week, which enters its third year this week.

nates June 28 with the second annual Lansing Beer Fest in REO Town. The Lansing Beer Fest will feature 30 breweries, up from the 12 last year, plus 100 craft beers and live music.

So if you like beer, kind of like beer or don't even know what you think about it, Starr said there's an event planned for everyone.

"It's only going to get bigger and better if there's more than two people invested in it," he said. "You have to have a big picture in site and really stick to the vision of what you see."





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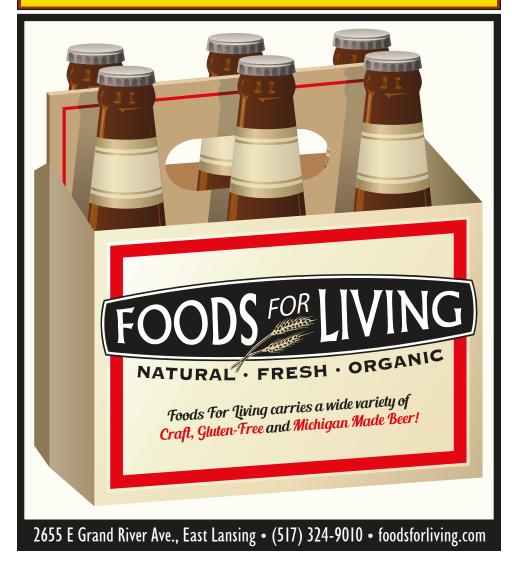
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TALKING ABOUT BREW

'THE MICHIGAN BEER SHOW' GIVES VOICE TO LANSING'S GROWING CRAFT BEER COMMUNITY

BV ERIC FINKLER

The confluence of local craft beer interest has spawned beer-themed events, festivals and businesses. So the next natural step was to branch into media — doesn't every hobby have its own show these days? Filling that niche is "The Michigan Beer Show," a podcast dedicated to spreading the gospel of quality beer.

"Our main goal is to provide a voice to the Michigan beer community," said Tony Huff, co-founder of the weekly show. "We're trying to find good Michigan beer and review that."

Huff, 24, and his longtime friend Brandon Manson, 24, dreamed up the show in late 2012 while they were having a spirited conversation over drinks. Several months later, in February 2013, "The Michigan Beer Show" was born. It started as a monthly podcast, but after being invited to Midtown Brewing Co. in downtown Lansing for a live show, Huff and Manson switched to weekly studio recordings, with the occasional live show tossed in.

New episodes are posted every Friday through several digital media outlets, including iTunes, SoundCloud, Zune and Stitcher. (On July 12, the duo will record their next live show at Right Brain Brewery in Traverse City.)

"The Michigan Beer Show" is self-funded; Manson purchased \$2,500 worth of equipment to get a professional sounding show after experimenting live recording in bars. Although the show sometimes interferes with their work schedules – Manson works at Michiaan State University as a video producer and Huff is an MSU facilities assistant — they are still



Courtesy of Amber Stokosa Photography and Design Hosts Tony Huff and Brandon Manson.

able to enjoy the process. Manson said had been interested in practicing audio production and saw an opportunity to do so while contributing to a community he was passionate about.

Neither Huff nor Manson has a background in beer that extends beyond what you'd get from a college-aged craft beer fan, but they try to include guests to explain the technical side of craft beer. Each show typically takes about two hours to record and publish. The panel arrives a half-hour before recording, supplied with the beers that Huff picks up on his way from his day job.

The show's lineup has undergone a few changes. The original panel comprised of Huff, Manson and Max Winkler, another friend of Huff. Winkler was added to the show for his home brewing and beer-making experience, but eventually had to leave for medical school.

"(Max was) our fun-loving, scuba diving, home-brewing beer nerd who gave

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us some actual credibility," said Manson by email. Soon after Winkler's departure, Manson started visiting Midtown Brewing Co. for lunch and became friends with Kyle Armstrong, 28, a bartender whose beer knowledge was so impressive they added him.

"Brandon and I knew that we could carry a conversation," said Huff, "(And when) we all got together (with Kyle), the chemistry was just perfect."

"The Michigan Beer Show" follows the hosts' conversation, rife with random beer information, framed around an unconventional ranking that gives that week's highlighted beer a classification between 2 and 14.

The show also has several recurring guests. Dan Currie, a standup comedi-

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an, who also runs Monday night comedy at Mac's Bar, has been featured on the show. Taylor Anderson is the residential sports guy who appeared on the show's World Cup preview episode. And Brandon Cook, a beer brewer at Midtown who Manson called a "mad scientist," has also made an appearance.

And just as different beer recipes yield different styles, so the different lineups create different tones for the show. But for Huff, it all comes down to providing a service for the people, regardless of whether they can measure their audience (all shows are streaming, and they don't have analytics for how big their listenership is.)

"My favorite part is having a weekly get-together," Huff said. "It's cool to see where we started and where we are now. The show is a labor of love. I like the fact that we can review some beer, have a good time, and if people listen, they listen."





YOU ARE HERE

AUTHOR PROFILES ALL OF MICHIGAN'S 139 BREWERIES AND BREWPUBS

By BILL CASTANIER

Travel writer Kevin Revolinski calls himself a "born-again drinker with a writing habit." Over the last several years, he's developed a practical knowledge of Great Lakes area craft beer and brewpubs, and he describes the Mitten State's burgeoning beer industry in his new book, "Michigan's Best Beer Guide." The new book is the follow-up to his "Wisconsin's Best Beer Guide," and was published by Thunder Bay Press in Holt.

The Wisconsin native provides profiles for all 139 breweries and brewpubs in Michigan. In the book, he tracks trends, such as brewers using locally grown grains and hops to help the local economy and ecology. The "Best Beer Guide" also lists other restaurants and events attractive to visitors within "stumbling distance" to the brewpubs listed.

Revolinski took some time to answer questions last week when he was in town for an appearance at Schuler Books & Music in Okemos.

How does Michigan compare to Wisconsin in the number of brewpubs?

"Not that long ago Wisconsin had 62 pubs and Michigan 55. Now it's like Wisconsin 75 and Michigan 140." (Author's note: Take that, Cheese State.)

What was the first craft brewer in Michigan?

"The first craft brewery in Michigan was Real Ale of Chelsea, which opened in 1982 and closed a year later. Bell's Brewery (in Kalamazoo) would open in 1985 but would remain for the long haul. It now grows some of its own ingredients and hosts hops parties where beer drinkers help with the harvest. These are becoming the rage among brewers."



What are some of Michigan's more unusual brewpubs?

"Traffic Jam and Snug, (which became) Michigan's first brewpub in 1992, uses dairy equipment to brew both beer and make cheese. And then there's the Right Brain Brewery and hair salon in Traverse City."

What are some trends in craft beer that you've seen?

"Wineries are starting to brew beer. They're (also) aging beer in barrels, replicating the six months it took to ship beer to India, (the process behind) India Pale Ale. To keep (beer) from spoiling, they just kept adding hops, thus the hoppiness. (There has also been) more women brewers."

How do people get interested in owning a brewpub?

"It snowballs from home brew clubs. Some call it a hobby gone terribly wrong. The last few years, (I've also seen a rise in) brewpubs helping other brewpubs get started."

Why do craft beers have such strange names and what are some of your favorite monikers?

"Marketing and promotion. Everyone loves a great beer pun. (I like) Bloody Beer and Carrot Cake (Shorts Brewing Co.) and Mad Hatter (New Holland Brewing). One of the more unusual but grim names is the Widow Maker Black Ale (Keweenaw Brewing Co.) Many of the beer names are inside jokes or tied to local history."

What makes craft beer attractive to drinkers?

"Variety, seasonal varieties and you can savor the beer rather than guzzle it, which leads to another trend called session beer (4 percent alcohol by volume, compared to the typical 5 percent or more.) That way you can have a few and not put on a lampshade."

What do you drink?

"Stouts, IPAs and sour ales and any-



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Travel writer Kevin Revolinski wrote "Michigan's Best Beer Guide." He spoke last week at Schuler Books & Music in Okemos.

thing that is unusual. Beard's Brewery in Petoskey uses tree sap in place of water as an ingredient for its Tree Blood Maple Stout. It adds to the flavor profile."

Is craft beer brewing another one of those fads that will disappear like the head on a beer or will it continue on?

"I hope so and expect so. The craft beer movement is tapped into the local food movement and people are fed up with not knowing what's in their food. Beer works into that arena."

Are you planning a sequel?

"Absolutely. The shelf life of a travel guide is two to three years."

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LOVE HANDLES?

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CEO STOUT, RIGHT BRAIN BREWERY

Style: Coffee stout | ABV: 5.5%

A dark bodied sessional American-style stout brewed with espresso beans. CEO stands for "chocolate, espresso, oatmeal."

If you see a tap handle filled with googly eyes, LEGOs or Scrabble tiles, chances are it's from Right Brain Brewery. The Traverse City brewery commissions each handle to be a unique piece of beer art, and includes a variety of knick-knacks. "(The design) is a way to have every one different but similar in a way," said Leif Kolt, Right Brain's brand manager. "We are not a traditional company."

SAPIENT TRIP ALE, DARK HORSE BREWERY

Style: Beigian Style Tripel | ABV: 8.5%
Brewed with traditional Trappist yeast strain, there are
complex notes of fruit with a clove flavor finish.

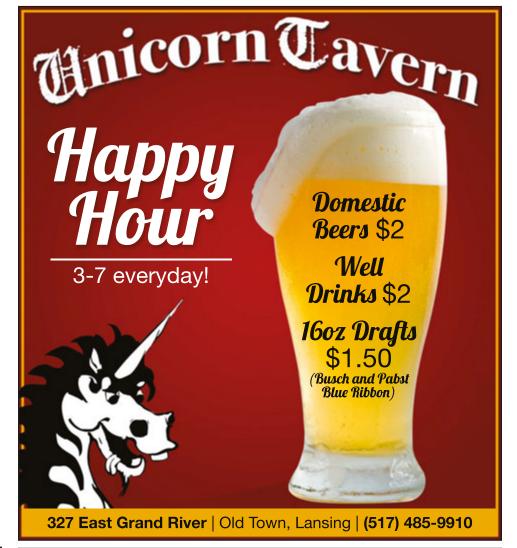
When a shotgun gets pulled, you know its time for business. Dark Horse's signature tap handles represent the company's "no-nonsense approach to making beer," according to its website. Fun fact: In 2010, the brewery's owner/head brewer Aaron Morse turned down the band Nickelback to feature Dark Horse beer in a music video. "Why can't it be some cool band like Slayer?" he wrote on the brewery's blog.



Brewed with five different hop varieties, with a bitter taste and citrus aroma. The malt bill melds balances with the hops.

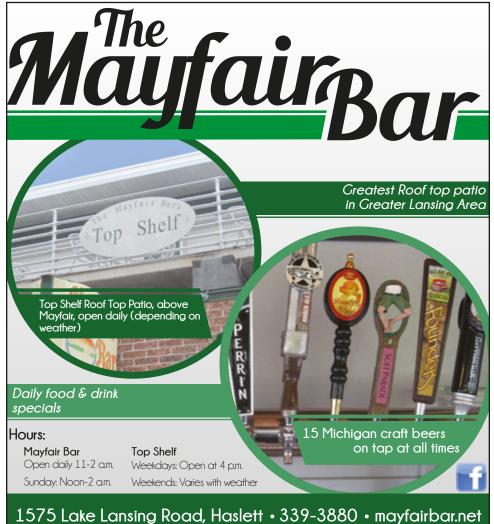
This beer is named after the hop flower — Humulus Lupulus — that gives it that strong bitter flavor. The tap handle is called the "Dancing Short's on Top of a Hop Vine," and the prototype was created by artist Ray Villafane, who also sculpts comic book figurines and insanely detailed pumpkin carvings (you probably get the email with his work every Halloween).













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Don't train in vain

Basic preparation tips for entering your first endurance race

By NATHAN KARK

Since the warm weather started, some of your friends may have started tossing terms like "triathlon," "half marathon" and variations of "warrior," "mudder" and "some-number-K" into seemingly normal conversations. Your social media outlets are packed with status updates of your friends crossing finish lines or standing proudly, medal in hand, with a gigantic



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smirk of accomplishment across their faces. You comment, "You're a machine," and go about your day.

Eventually you may witness your friends accumulating streams of praise from their endurance group-

ies. At this point, you may start thinking to yourself, "If so-an-so can do that, I can totally do it too." Maybe you even start to train but, like many people, encounter some sort of setback that happens to derail your newly developed plan.

But anyone can test their personal limits — including you — by joining the weekend warriors who participate in endurance sports. Here's how:

Sign up for a race

Signing up for a race is the most important step you must take in order to nail your first endurance sports appearance. A lot of people trip themselves up before getting anywhere near accomplishing their goals because they start training without choosing a race to train for. By not specifically targeting a race, you decrease your chances for success by not having an investment in your goal or a deadline that holds you accountable for crossing that upcoming finish line.

It doesn't matter what race you sign up for as long as it is within reason — don't expect a Netflix marathon to prepare you for next weekend's 26.2 miles of marathon running. For most people, it takes anywhere between eight and 18 weeks to adequately prepare for an event.

To sign up for a race, explore some of the many endurance event websites out there. Some of my favorites are Active.com and Trifind.com. It may just blow your mind to see how many races are going on in and around Lansing throughout the year.

Don't be an Olympian (yet)

Olympians are the best in the world and it takes years to compete at their level. But even if you have everything it takes, don't force yourself to have perfect nutrition, training and performance at first. Remember that challenges are defined differently for each athlete; your personal challenge might just be to show up and walk an event — if so, just do that. Taking your own pace will never be discouraged.

In fact, the various paces people assume at events serve as proof that anyone can race. Each person who finishes has an equal distance to cover and the same opportunity to feel the incredible sense of accomplishment upon finishing. Set small goals, blow them out of the water, learn something about your capabilities, and progress from there. You will spare yourself a pile of frustration and find more joy in dominating the challenges ahead.

Find support

I'm not talking about finding the proper fitting sports bra (nor could I) or an "endurance anonymous" addiction support group. I'm talking about finding likeminded people who will help keep you focused and make training extremely fun along the way. If you don't have time to commit to a local training group, drag your family or significant other into the mix. The best run workouts can be as simple as a pack of children chasing you down on bikes.

Allow yourself to become an addict

Many first-time endurance athletes seek out and complete additional races, and many even start to plan family vacations around a "destination race." People can become easily addicted to endurance sports and soon seek out greater accomplishments.

After your first race, you will be tired, sweaty, sore and hungry. Like any addiction, the more you race the more want to. But unlike a lot of addictions, you notice a healthier and better you as a result. Be sure to embrace your goals as they evolve.

To the uninitiated endurance athlete, the very idea of approaching a start line seems foreign, impossible, and fraught with mandatory spandex and sacrifice. I promise you there are many first-timers at every race, each having unique goals, methods and perceptions of what they are getting into.

Whoever they are, and however they do it, they find a way to break out of their comfort zone and cross into a judgment-free place where high-fives await: The finish line.

You haven't tested your limits until you try something you think you can't do. Go out there and get after it!

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Free Will Astrology By Rob Brezsny

Jun<u>e 18-24</u>

ARIES (March 21-April 19): If you were alive 150 years ago and needed to get a tooth extracted, you might have called on a barber or blacksmith or wigmaker to do the job. (Dentistry didn't become a formal occupation until the latter part of the 19th century.) Today you wouldn't dream of seeking anyone but a specialist to attend to the health of your mouth. But I'm wondering if you are being less particular about certain other matters concerning your welfare. Have you been seeking financial advice from your massage therapist? Spiritual counsel from your car repair person? Nutritional guidance from a fast-food addict? I suggest you avoid such behavior. It's time to ask for specific help from those who can actually provide it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): "My music is best understood by children and animals," said composer Igor Stravinsky. A similar statement could be made about you Tauruses in the coming weeks: You will be best understood by children and animals -- and by all others who have a capacity for dynamic innocence and a buoyant curiosity rooted in emotional intelligence. In fact, those are the types I advise you to surround yourself with. For now, it's best to avoid sophisticates who overthink everything and know-it-all cynics whose default mode is criticism. Take control of what influences you absorb. You need to be in the presence of those who help activate your vitality and enthusiasm.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): "Nikhedonia" is an obscure English word that refers to the pleasure that comes from anticipating success or good fortune. There's nothing wrong with indulging in this emotion as long as it doesn't interfere with you actually doing the work that will lead to success or good fortune. But the problem is, nikhedonia makes some people lazy. Having experienced the thrill of imagining their victory, they find it hard to buckle down and slog through the gritty details necessary to manifest their victory. Don't be like that. Enjoy your nikhedonia, then go and complete the accomplishment that will bring a second, even stronger wave of gratification.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Boston's Museum of Fine Arts has a collection of Japanese art that is never on display. It consists of 6,600 wood-block prints created by artists of the *ukiyo-e* school, also known as "pictures of the floating world." Some are over 300 years old. They are tucked away in drawers and hidden from the light, ensuring that their vibrant colors won't fade. So they are well-preserved but rarely seen by anyone. Is there anything about you that resembles these pictures of the floating world, Cancerian? Do you keep parts of you secret, protecting them from what might happen if you show them to the world? It may be time to revise that policy. (Thanks to Molly Oldfield's *The Secret Museum* for the info referred to here.)

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): In the next two weeks, I hope you don't fall prey to the craze that has been sweeping Japan. Over 40,000 people have bought books that feature the photos of *hamuketsu*, or hamster bottoms. Even if you do manage to avoid being consumed by that particular madness, I'm afraid you might get caught up in trifles and distractions that are equally irrelevant to your long-term dreams. Here's what I suggest: To counteract any tendency you might have to neglect what's truly important, vow to focus intensely on what's truly important.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Writing at FastCompany. com, Himanshu Saxena suggests that businesses create a new position: Chief Paradox Officer, or CPXO. This person would be responsible for making good use of the conflicts and contradictions that normally arise, treating them as opportunities for growth rather than as distractions. From my astrological perspective, you Virgos are currently prime candidates to serve in this capacity. You will continue to have special powers to do this type of work for months to come.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): In accordance with the astrological omens, you are hereby granted a brief, one-time-only license to commit the Seven Deadly Sins. You heard me correctly, Libra. As long as you don't go to extremes, feel free to express healthy amounts of pride, greed, laziness, gluttony, anger, envy, and lust. At least for now, there will be relatively little hell to pay for these indulgences. Just one caveat: If I were you, I wouldn't invest a lot of energy in anger and envy. Technically, they are permitted, but they aren't really much fun. On the other hand, greed, gluttony, and lust could be quite pleasurable, especially if you don't take yourself too seriously. Pride and laziness may also be enjoyable in moderate, artful amounts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Scorpio novelist Kurt Vonnegut rebelled against literary traditions. His stories were often hybrids of science fiction and autobiography. Free-form philosophizing blended with satirical moral commentary. He could be cynical yet playful, and he told a lot of jokes. "I want to stand as close to the edge as I can without going over," he testified. "Out on the edge you see all the kinds of things you can't see from the center." He's your role model for the next four weeks, Scorpio. Your challenge will be to wander as far as you can into the frontier without getting hopelessly lost.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): "Make a name for the dark parts of you," writes Lisa Marie Basile in her poem "Paz." I think that's good advice for you, Sagittarius. The imminent future will be an excellent time to fully acknowledge the shadowy aspects of your nature. More than that, it will be a perfect moment to converse with them, get to know them better, and identify their redeeming features. I suspect you will find that just because they are dark doesn't mean they are bad or shameful. If you approach them with love and tenderness, they may even reveal their secret genius.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Pet mice that are kept in cages need to move more than their enclosed space allows, so their owners often provide them with exercise wheels. If the rodents want to exert their natural instinct to run around, they've got to do it on this device. But here's a curious twist: a team of Dutch researchers has discovered that wild mice also enjoy using exercise wheels. The creatures have all the room to roam they need, but when they come upon the wheels in the middle of the forest, they hop on and go for prolonged spins. I suggest you avoid behavior like that, Capricorn. Sometime soon you will find yourself rambling through more spacious places. When that happens, don't act like you do when your freedom is more limited.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It's transition time. We will soon see how skilled you are at following through. The innovations you have launched in recent weeks need to be fleshed out. The creativity you unleashed must get the full backing of your practical action. You will be asked to make good on the promises you made or even implied. I want to urge you not to get your feelings hurt if some pruning and editing are required. In fact, I suggest you relish the opportunity to translate fuzzy ideals into tidy structures. Practicing the art of ingenious limitation will make everything better.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It's always important for you to shield yourself against our culture's superficial and sexist ideas about sex. It's always important for you to cultivate your own unique and soulful understandings about sex. But right now this is even more crucial than usual. You are headed into a phase when you will have the potential to clarify and deepen your relationship with eros. In ways you have not previously imagined, you can learn to harness your libido to serve both your spiritual aspirations and your quest for greater intimacy.

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Crazy Action Songs. Music therapy class for children and teens. 6-6:45 p.m. \$5/FREE for CADSA members. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661. cms. msu.edu.

Community Conversation. Russ Allen discusses farmed fish and its benefits. 7 p.m. FREE. Okemos Library, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 347-2021, facebook.com/FriendsOfTheOkemosLibrary.

Senior Games. Featuring Mahjong and Pinochle. 1 p.m. FREE. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

Civility Workshop. Approaches to support civility every day. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434. PilgrimUCC.com.

Overeaters Anonymous. 7 p.m. FREE. First Congregational United Church of Christ, 210 W. Saginaw Highway, Grand Ledge. (517) 256-6954, fcgl.org.

EVENTS

Allen Street Farmers Market. Featuring locally grown/prepared foods. Live music. 3-6:30 p.m. FREE. Allen Street Farmers Market, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3911.

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Old Town celebrates the first nights of summer with two festivals

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 -SATURDAY, JUNE 21

Although the first night of summer is also the shortest night of the year, it doesn't affect the number of hours in the weekend, and Old Town is maximizing every last one of them. On Friday, Lansing's Old Town Commercial Association hosts its 10th annual Festival of the Moon, followed by its 15th annual Festival of the Sun the next day, which is also the summer solstice — and the longest day of the year.

The Festival of the Moon is known for its energetic atmosphere and live local bands. This year, Mark Grinnell is the opening act, followed by pop/punk sounds of Way To Fall and the experimental indie rock band Lights & Caves. Bell's Brewery of Kalamazoo will provide all of the craft brews.

The Festival of the Sun takes a different approach of celebrating the summer nights by having a smoother appeal than its day-before counterpart. Saturday's acts include local ukulele dynamo Ben Hassenger,

Lansing singer/songwriter
Taylor Taylor and headliners I Am
Dynamite, a minimalist rock duo from

Detroit.

Keeping in the tradition of Lansing Beer Week, East Lansing home brewing supply store That's How We Brew will hold brew demonstrations throughout the day. And fret not, vino fans — there will be plenty of Michigan wines on hand too.

Both events are will have food vendors to help keep you fully fueled for all the activities. Mark's Gourmet Dogs and Whipped Bakery will have a booth on both days. Grand Grillin will be at the Festival of the Moon, with Trailer Park'd at Festival of the Sun.

During the duration of the two festivals, you can also peruse the recycled art on display

Festival of the Moon 6-11 p.m. Friday, June 20 Festival of the Sun 2-11 p.m. Saturday, June 21

Turner Street and Grand River Avenue Lot 56/Cesar Chavez Plaza, Lansing \$20/\$17 adv. festivalofthemoonandsun.com

at the 6th Annual Old Town ScrapFest.

Teams of artists were given one hour to collect up to 500 pounds of scrap and two weeks to create works of art. The competition is also an auction.

with proceeds supporting artists and public art projects in the community.

Ticket prices for each the festivals are \$17 in advance, which can be purchased until the day of the event, and \$20 at the gate. If you are looking to attend both festivals, there are options for

\$30 advanced weekend and \$35 at the door weekend passes. Up to 70 percent of proceeds will go to the operating budget for Old Town Commercial Association to help revitalize Lansing's Old Town district.

Both festivals have a 21 and up age restriction, due to its alcohol-inspired celebration.

—SIMONE CARTER

TURNIT DOWN

A SURVEY OF LANSING'S
MUSICAL LANDSCAPE
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KONGOS AT THE LOFT

The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. All ages, \$20, \$17 adv., 7 p.m., Monday, June 23.

Kongos has its roots in South Africa and London, but the band, which headlines an all-ages show at the Loft, is based in Phoenix these days. The folk-rock group comprises of four brothers who are the sons of songwriter John Kongos (who scored a hit in 1971 with "He's Gonna Step on You Again"). Kongos formed in 2007; its "Lunatic" LP debuted in 2012. That record produced the "I'm Only Joking" single, which topped the South African charts. The follow-up single, "Come with Me Now," has sold over 70,000 copies. The popularity of the band's debut led to a deal with Epic Records in January 2014. Opening The Loft show are Brick & Mortar and Flint Eastwood.

BIG WILLY AT THE GREEN DOOR



Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 21+, \$3 for ladies night, 8:30 p.m., Thursday, June 19.

Michigan blues-rocker band Big Willy plays Thursday at the Green Door Blues Bar & Grill. Big Willy plays a high-energy blend of howling vocals, blistering guitar and saxophone licks. The band, led by songwriter and vocalist Will Rideoutt, has opened for the likes of Tab Benoit, Smokin' Joe Kubek and B'nois King, the Deadstring Brothers and Larry McCray. Big Willy has performed at festivals around the state, as well as at local events like the Old Town Blues Fest. The band's 2009 debut album, "King Without a Crown," was recorded with Grammy-nominated producer Glenn Brown. In September 2012, Big Willy released its latest full-length album, "Out for Trouble." The disc is stocked with blues, classic American rock, and Stax Records-style soul.

LEFT LANE CRUISER AT THE AVENUE CAFE



The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 18+, \$10, 9 p.m., Saturday, June 21

The blues-tinged rock 'n' roll duo Left Lane Cruiser is fronted by vocalist/guitarist Freddie J IV. Backing him is drummer Brenn "Sausage Paw" Beck, who also plays harmonica. The Fort Wayne-based band is signed to Alive Natural Sound Records and has released six LPs, the most recent being 2013's "Rock Them Back to Hell." Left Lane Cruiser signed to Alive Records in 2007; a year later the band toured Europe for the first time and dropped its first album, "Bring Yo' Ass to the Table," which showcases the band's foot-stomping, Fat Possum Records-style of primitive blues-rock. Since then, the pair has toured rigorously, sharing stages with artists such as Robert Belfour, Black Diamond Heavies and Chris Cotton.

UPCOMING SHOW? CONTACT RICH TUPICA AT RICH@LANSINGCITYPULSE.COM >>> TO BE LISTED IN LIVE & LOCAL E-MAIL LIVEANDLOCAL@LANSINGCITYPULSE.COM

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY **FRIDAY** SATURDAY Left Lane Cruiser, 9 p.m. The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave. Black Flag, 7 p.m. Tease-a-gogo, 9 p.m. 90s Party, 9 p.m. Coach's Pub & Grill, 6201 Bishop Rd. DJ Trivia, 8 p.m. Updraft, 9 p.m. DJ Jimmy, 9 p.m. Open Mic w/Pat Zelenka, 9 p.m. Colonial Bar, 3425 S. MLK Blvd. Homespun, 9 p.m. Homespun, 9 p.m. Crunchy's, 254 W. Grand River Ave. Fever Fever, 10 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. The Exchange, 314 E. Michigan Ave. Skoryoke Live Band Karaoke, 8 p.m. Blue Wednesday, 8 p.m. Avon Bomb, 8 p.m. Avon Bomb, 8 p.m. Fireside Grill, 6951 Lansing Rd. Sarah Brunner, 8:30 p.m. Kevan Browne, 8:30 p.m. Kathy Ford Band, 7:30 p.m. Grand Café/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave. Karaoke, 7 p.m. DJ Victor, 8 p.m. Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave. Johnny D Jam, 8 p.m. Big Willy, 8:30 p.m. Second Nature, 9 p.m. Groove Revived, 9 p.m. Open Mic w/Hot Mess, 9 p.m. Gus's Bar, 2321 W. Michigan Ave. Karaoke The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave. DJ Sizl, 7 p.m. Wax Poetic, 9 p.m. Golf Clap, 9 p.m. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave. Mat Kerekes, 7 p.m. Chris Travis, 8 p.m. Lash, 9:30 p.m. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave. Springtails, 10 p.m. Zydecrunch, 9:30 p.m. Tin Can West, 644 Migaldi Ln. Waterpong, 11 p.m. Live Acoustic Jams, 8 p.m. Tin Can DeWitt, 13175 Schavey Rd. DJ Trivia, 8 p.m. Karlee Rewerts, 8 p.m. Uli's, 4519 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Doll Fest, 8 p.m. The Bear Band, 8 p.m. Acoustic Show, 8 p.m. Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave. Frog & the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m. Frog & the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m. Frog & the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m. Waterfront Bar & Grill, 325 City Market Drive Suzi and the Love Brothers, 6 p.m. Embassy Drive, 6 p.m. Joe Wright, 6 p.m. Big Sur, 6 p.m. DJ, 9 p.m. Whiskey Barrel Saloon, 410 S. Clippert St. DJ, 9 p.m. DJ, 9 p.m.

PLAY IN A BAND? BOOK SHOWS? LIVE & LOCAL LISTS UPCOMING GIGS!

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WHAT TO DO: Submit information by the Friday before publication (City Pulse comes out every Wednesday.) Be sure to tell us the name of the performer and the day, date and time of the performance. Only submit information for the following week's paper.

Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

Concerts in the Park. This week's band: Mighty Medicine at Reutter Park. 7 p.m. FREE. Reutter Park, Corner of Kalamazoo & Townsend St., Lansing, Meridian Community Band. Music in the Park series. 7 p.m. FREE, donations accepted. Meridian Historical Village, 5113 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 349-8548. meridianhistoricalvillage.org.

THEATER

"Detroit." Drama for mature audiences. 8 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-6690, theatre.msu.edu.

Thursday, June 19 **CLASSES AND SEMINARS**

Garden Project 3: Potluck. Bring a dish to pass & join in the fun! 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Greater Lansing Food Bank, 919 Filley St., Lansing. (517) 483-7460. LansingCityMarket.com.

Family Storytime. Ages up to 6. Stories, rhymes and activities. 10:30 a.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing Library, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 367-6363. cadl.org. Meditation. For beginners and experienced. 7-8:30 p.m. FREE. Quan Am Temple, 1840 N. College Ave., Mason, (517) 853-1675, quanamtemple.org.

Tarot Study Group. With Dawne Botke. 7 p.m. FREE. Triple Goddess New Age Bookstore, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 883-3619, triplegoddessbookstore.net. Lansing Area Codependent Anonymous. Held in room 214G. 7-8 p.m. FREE. Community Mental Health Building, 812 E. Jolly Road, Lansing. (517) 515-5559, coda.org. Ojibwe/Anishinaabemowin Class. Teaching the language of the first people from this region. 7-9 p.m. Donation. Nokomis Learning Center, 5153 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 349-5777, nokomis.org.

Craft Night Social. Creating quill boxes, making dance

THURSDAY, JUNE 19 >> TEASE A GOGO AT AVENUE CAFÉ

Autumn Luciano has assembled a theatrical cast of characters to whisk audiences under the sea at the newest incarnation of Tease a Go-Go, a bimonthly burlesque/ drag show. The nautical theme will incorporate mermaids, sea monsters and sailors. There will also be live burlesque wrestling, a "human blockhead" who uses his face as an anvil, a fire-eater, and a sword-swallower. "You'll have to see it to grasp it," Luciano said. The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 9 p.m. doors/10 p.m. show. \$10. (517) 853-0550, facebook.com/teaseagogo.

shawls and teaching the peyote stitch. 5-7 p.m. FREE. Nokomis Learning Center, 5153 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 349-5777, nokomis.org.

Sign Language Classes. For ages 12 and up. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Meridian Christian Church, 2600 Bennett Road, Okemos. (517) 492-6149.

Nature Explorers Camp. Preschoolers explore nature and enjoy games and crafts. 9 a.m.-noon. \$32/2 day camp. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

CSI: Critter Scene Investigation. Nature camp explores secrets left by animals. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$65/2 day camp. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Nature's Artists Camp. Kids create arts from nature & explore outdoors. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$65/2 day camp. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Drum Circle. Learn tempo while using hand percussion. 6 p.m. \$30/\$10 members. 1200 Marquette St., Lansing. (517) 420-1873. thinklivemusic.com. Broad Bike Ride. Bike ride to the Lansing City Market. 5:30 p.m. FREE. Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU Campus, East Lansing. facebook. com/events/1457522017824082.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Contact Jan. 5:15 p.m. \$5. New Hope Church, 1340 Haslett Road, Haslett, (517) 349-9183, newhopehaslett.com.

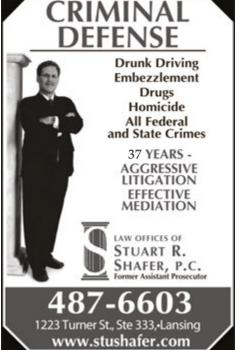
Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Weigh in 6 p.m., meeting 6:30 p.m. FREE to visit. St. David's Episcopal Church, 1519 Elmwood Road, Lansing. (517) 882-9080, stdavidslansing.org.

EVENTS

Spanish Conversation Group. Both English and Spanish spoken. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420. Euchre. No partner needed. 6-9 p.m. \$1.50. Delta Township Enrichment Center, 4538 Elizabeth Road, Lansing. (517) 484-5600.

Karaoke. With Atomic D. 9 p.m. LeRoy's Classic Bar & Grill. 1526 S. Cedar St., Lansing, (517) 482-0184. Behind The Badge. Theatrical examination of police and prison. 7 p.m. FREE. Unitarian Universalist Church, 855 Grove St., East Lansing. (517) 515-5634.

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Jubilee Craft Show & Home **Based Business** Show June 20 - 21, 2014 **Turn North at Main Light** Relocated to Saturday **McCormick Park** 9:00 am 4:00 pm Contact: 517-655-1549 info@willi

Jonesin' Crossword

By Matt Jones

"Carefreestyle"--more words to conquer! Matt Jones

Across

1 Reason to go through half a box of tissues 12 Final destination, in a way 15 It's not natural to swim in 16 "Out of the Blue" band

17 Burns up 18 18-wheeler

19 NPR contributor Sandra Tsing 20 He starred in "Green

Acres"

22 Website with a password reset warning in May 2014

24 Millennium divs. 25 "Star Wars" droid, familiarly

26 More optimistic 29 Simon Pegg, in recent

"Star Trek" movies 30 Approached, as a bar

34 Contented responses 63 "The big sleep"

35 Armless seat 37 Switch status

40 Banks offer them 44 Put aside

46 Islas Canarias locale 47 Skin layer

48 "Ew," in a three-letter acronym

51 E-6 in the U.S. Army: abbr.

52 Bambi's father's title, re the forest 56 Body work, briefly

57 Crude discovery 58 It lasted for over three million years

60 "Fantasy Island" neckwear 61 "I set my alarm for PM

instead of AM," among others 62 "Spring ahead" clock

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6 Carded at a club 7 Like "Weird Al" Yankovic 8 Egg white glaze, to a

9 Trio of Greek god-

10 Blue and yellow retailer 11 Electric inventions seen in "Frankenstein" 12 Italian pistol 13 Director of the first two "Hostel" movies

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37 Dancing cigarette

39 Like nighttime campsites 41 Tennis player nicknamed "The Bucharest Buffoon" 42 Captivates 43 College hurdle, redundantly 45 Abbr. after Elizabeth Warren's name 48 HBO series set in New Orleans 49 Cheapskate 50 One (certain odds) 53 Dope 54 Hip joint 55 Abbr. at the bottom of a letter 59 Den., Switz., etc.

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INTERMEDIATE

Fill in the grid so that every row, column, and outlined 3-by-3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 exactly once. No guessing is required. The solution is unique.

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peaceedcenter.org.

SoupGrant Lansing. Supporting community projects. 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$5. Grace Lutheran Church, 528 N. Martin L. King Jr. Blvd., Lansing. soupgrantlansing@gmail.com. soupgrantlansing.wordpress.com.

Authors in the Garden Room. Guest author Lori Nelson Spielman. 6 p.m. FREE. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-7014. grandledge.lib.mi.us.

TNL! Courthouse Concert Series. Featuring From Big Sur. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Courthouse, 341 S. Jefferson, Mason. (517) 676-1046.

Tease-A-Gogo: Mermaids, sailors. Live burlesque, vaudeville, sideshow, drag & more. 9 p.m. \$10. The Avenue Cafe, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. facebook. com/teaseagogo.

Student Organic Farm Stand. Offering fresh organic produce. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. MSU Erickson Hall, 620 Farm Lane, East Lansing. (517) 230-7987. msuorganicfarm.com.

MUSIC

Gordon Lightfoot. Singer-songwriter and musician. 8 p.m. Tickets from \$35. Wharton Center, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 432-2000. www.whartoncenter.com/events/detail/gordon-lightfoot.

Rally In The Alley Open Mic. 6:30 p.m. FREE. American Legion Post 48, 731 N. Clinton St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-1232.

(REVOLUTION) at Tavern. Electronic music, 21-up. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. FREE. Tavern On the Square, 206 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) *37*4-5555.

Open Mic Night with Hot Mess. All acts and musicians are welcome. 9 p.m.-midnight, FREE. Gus's Bar, 2321 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-4714, facebook.com/gusbuster11.

Bluegrass Jam. For experienced and beginners alike. 7 p.m. FREE. Elderly Instruments, 1100 N Washington Ave., Lansing. (517) 372-7880, elderly.com.

THEATER

"Detroit." (For details, see June 18.) 8 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-6690, theatre.msu.edu.

"The Vibrator Play." Marriage, intimacy, and electricity. 8 p.m. \$10/\$8 senior/\$6 student. Ledges Playhouse, 137 Fitzgerald Park Drive, Grand Ledge. (517) 318-0579. overtheledge.org.

LITERATURE AND POETRY

Writers Roundtable. Get feedback on your writing. 6-7:45 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19-SUNDAY, JUNE 22 >> 'IN THE NEXT ROOM (OR THE VIBRATOR PLAY)' AT OVER THE LEDGE THEATRE CO.

Boy, has science ever come a long way. Over the Ledge Theatre Co. takes a peek behind the doors of an unconventional story based on a real experiment with its second show of the summer season. "In the Next Room (or the Vibrator Play)" explores a time during the Victorian Era when women were treated for "hysteria" with, well, vibrators. A doctor's wife becomes curious with the treatments her husband is giving and learns lessons about sensation, intimacy and love. Don't take the kids, but adults may find it funny and tender. Directed by Mary Job. \$10/\$8 seniors/\$6 students. 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. The Ledges Playhouse, 137 Fitzgerald Park Drive, Grand Ledge. (517) 318-0579, overtheledge.org. (Continues June 26-29.)

Friday, June 20 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Alcoholics Anonymous. A closed women's meeting. 7:30 p.m. St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 6500 Amwood Drive, Lansing. (517) 882-9733.

EVENTS

Lansing Bike Party. Bike ride with TGIF stop. 5:45 p.m. FREE. Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU campus, East Lansing. facebook.com/groups/lansingbikeparty.

ScrapFest. 19 teams unveil art masterpieces made from scrap. 6 p.m. FREE. Old Town, Grand River Avenue and Turner Street, Lansing. (517) 485-4283, oldtownscrapfest.com.

Teen Murder Mystery. Registration/parental permission required. 12 plus. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-7014. grandledge.lib.mi.us. Teen Sci-Fi Movie Night. Sample new and classic sci-fi. Ages 13-18. 3-8 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

Used Book Sale. Books of all variety for sale. 6-8 p.m. FREE. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E Jefferson St. Grand Ledge. (517) 627-9588. grandledge.lib.mi.us.

MUSIC

Matt LoRusso Trio. Jazz. 9 p.m.-midnight, FREE. Troppo, 111 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 371-4000.

Karaoke Night. Food, drink specials and local vocalists. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. FREE. Gus's Bar, 2321 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-4714, facebook.com/gusbuster11.

Celtic Music Concert. Fundraiser for Discovery Church in Ireland. 6-8 p.m. FREE. Trinity Church, 3355 Dunckel Road, Lansing. (517) 290-0835, trinitywired.com.

THEATER

"The Summer Circle." All ages comedy. 6:30 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Rd.,

East Lansing. (517) 355-6690. theatre.msu.edu. **"Detroit."** (For details, see June 18.) 8 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-6690, theatre.msu.edu.

"The Weird." Six short horror themed plays. 10 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Rd. East Lansing. (517) 355-6690. theatre.msu.edu. "The Vibrator Play." (For details, see June 19.) 8

p.m. \$10/\$8 senior/\$6 student. Ledges Playhouse, 137 Fitzgerald Park Drive, Grand Ledge. (517) 318-0579. overtheledge.org.

Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org. **Learn to Homebrew Beer.** Learn to Brew an all-grain Oktoberfest Lager. 1-6 p.m. FREE. Old Town Commercial Association, 1232 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 708-7548, thatshowwebrew.com.

EVENTS

Paws for Reading. Kids read to therapy dogs. Call to register. 10:30 a.m.-noon, FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

Karaoke. With Atomic D. 9 p.m. LeRoy's Classic Bar &

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Saturday, June 21 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Domestic Violence Support Group. Noon-1:30 p.m. FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 372-9163, womenscenterofgreaterlansing.org.

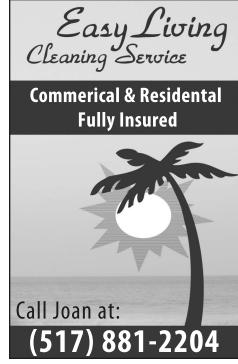
Tai Chi in the Park. For beginning and experienced tai chi practitioners. 9-10 a.m. FREE. Hunter Park Community Garden House, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 272-9379.

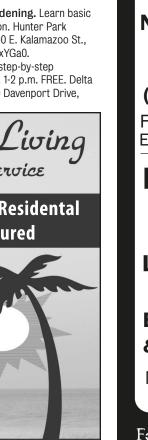
Jam to the Solstice. Introductory classes on jams and jellies. 3-4 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460. LansingCityMarket.com.

Qigong for Health. Qigong to condition the body and quiet the mind. 9-10 a.m. \$10. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866, meridian.mi.us.

Basic Construction 4 Gardening. Learn basic skills. 10-11:30 a.m. \$10 donation. Hunter Park Community GardenHouse, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3910. ow.lv/xYGa0.

Card Making Class. Learn step-by-step instructions for card creation. 1-2 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive,





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Grill, 1526 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 482-0184.

Mid-Mitten Homemade Food Swap. Trade food and recipes with other home cooks. 11-1:30 p.m. FREE. CADL Mason Library, 145 W. Ash St., Mason. (517) 676-9088. mid-mittenhomemade.com.

Rally for the Cure Scramble. Golf outing to benefit breast cancer awareness. 9 a.m. \$60. Oak Lane Golf Course, 800 N. Main St., Webberville. (517) 521-3900. oaklanegolf.com.

Stewardship Morning. Volunteers help restore habitat; care for the park. 9-11 a.m. FREE. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Kozmic Picnic. Live music and parade. 1 p.m. Picnic 2:30 p.m. FREE. Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU Campus, East Lansing. ow.ly/xYKc1. Scandinavian Society of Greater Lansing. Midsummer dance around maypole and more. 2-5 p.m. \$2. Faith United Methodist Church, 4301 S. Waverly Road, Lansing. (517) 482-8357 or 321-2674.

Free Role Playing Game Day. Noon-5 p.m. FREE. Everybody Reads/Creating Heroes Stephens Way, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 999-2894.

MIISIO

Voice 4 Vets. Concert to benefit the Wounded Warrior project. Noon. \$10 suggested donation. 1200 Marquette St., Lansing. (517) 420-1873. thinklivemusic.com.

Matt LoRusso Trio. Jazz. 9 p.m.-midnight, FREE.
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Sunday, June 22 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Juggling. Learn how to juggle. 2-4 p.m. FREE. Orchard Street Pumphouse, 368 Orchard St., East Lansing. (517) 371-5119, ruetenik@gmail.com.

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Spiritual Talk, Pure Meditation and Silent Prayer. 10 a.m. FREF. Self Bealization Meditation Healing

10 a.m. FREE. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 7187 Drumheller Road, Bath. (517) 641-6201, selfrealizationcentremichigan.org.

New Volunteer Orientation. Intro to Listening Ear's training program. 1 p.m. FREE. The Listening Ear Crisis Center, 2504 East Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 337-1717.

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Meat Southern B.B.Q. and Carnivore Cuisine in Old Town will expand after next-door neighbor Tallulah's Folly vacates next month. It will allow Meat to nearly triple its seating capacity.

By ALLAN I. ROSS

I recently reported that **Tallulah's Folly** in Old Town would be closing early next month. At the time, the building's owner was mum on what lay in store for the building, but I learned this week that next-door neighbor

Meat Southern B.B.Q. and Carnivore Cuisine will

be expanding into that space, transforming the former flower and vintage shop

into a 1,700-square-foot dining room.

"We have nowhere near enough space right now, and I'd been looking at moving downtown," Meat owner Sean Johnson said. "But when I learned this was opening up, it was a very easy decision to make. Old Town is a natural fit for us and I'm glad we're able to stay here. It worked out very well."

Sean Johnson said construction will begin early next month and expects work to be done by August. The expansion will allow him to more than triple his current dining room, which can only seat 50 now. He'll also be tripling his food production: He had already commissioned a new meat smoker that could smoke 800 pounds of meat, putting an end to those mid-day food outages that frustrated many of his diners.

"We just got busier than I thought we ever would," Johnson said. "Everything is made fresh made every day
— I don't want to be one of
those places heating and
reserving. But sometimes it's
hard to forecast."

The two spaces share a wall; the majority of the work will just involve creating that opening. The current dining room will allow Johnson to move his kitchen in that direction. He'll also be building a full bar in the new dining room.

"There's no sense in having a liquor license if you can't use it," Johnson said. "This move is going to be very beneficial in many ways. More food, faster service and increased catering business. It's pretty exciting."

Downtown dining

For years, downtown East Lansing has been the domain of college revelers where bar crawls were the name of the game. But in the last year, a change has been affected on Ann Street. HopCat-East Lansing married a mammoth craft beer selection to the gastropub concept. Peppino's Pizzeria & Sports **Grille** combined American/ Italian dining with a sports bar. And last month, the new Black Cat Bistro opened on the corner of Albert and Ann streets. It has a scratch Nuevo Latino menu that general manager Tony Phillip said he hopes will attract a more refined dining set.

"We're very excited to bring a new concept, display and dining experience to the area," Phillip said. "This is something East Lansing hasn't seen before."

The bar's owner is Ruffy Ramirez, who also owns the Lansing-area Los Tres Amigos restaurants and the nearby **Dublin Square.** Phillip, who worked at Dublin for six years, said Ramirez was eager to continue the new direction East Lansing seems to be moving in, dining-wise.

"It would be nice to see more restaurants," Phillip said. "I think people are afraid of downtown. But eventually, we'd like to see a culinary movement in East Lansing."

Chef Jose Ramiriez worked at **Dusty's Cellar** under Kevin Cronin, and at several restaurants up and down the East Coast where he picked up innovate seafood and scratch cooking techniques. He has a masters in fine arts degree, which he said helps him building his dishes.

"They're very colorful — I make them look very good," Romero said. "The visual senses definitely influence the plates."

The 2,000-square-foot restaurant can seat 100, with a garden patio that can accommodate another 48.

"We really wanted that patio," Phillip said. "It's very peaceful. You don't even know you're in East Lansing."

Black Cat Bistro

115 Albert Ave., East Lansing 11 a.m.-2 a.m. daily (517) 580-3821, blackcatbistroel.com

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Lansing Area Codependents Anonymous. Third floor meeting room. 2-3 p.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 515-5559, coda.org.

EVENTS

Lansing Area Sunday Swing Dance. Lessons 6-6:45 p.m., dance 6:45-10 p.m. \$8 dance/\$10 dance and lesson. The Lansing Eagles, 4700 N. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 490-7838.

Earth Stories: Gallery Tour. Curator-led tour and discussion. 2-3 p.m. FREE. MSU Museum, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 355-2370. museum.msu.edu.

2014 MSU Bee Palooza. An interactive, all-ages event about bees. 1-4 p.m. FREE. MSU Horticulture Gardens, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 432-4766. ow.ly/xYNjg. Art Quilt Tour at LookOut!. Free guided gallery tour of 2 art quilt exhibits. 3:30-4:30 p.m. FREE. Snyder/Phillips Hall, MSU Campus, 362 Bogue St., East Lansing. (517) 884-6290. ow.ly/xYNyJ.

Pancake Breakfast. Presented by Williamston Troop 63 Boy Scouts. 8-11 a.m. \$7/\$21 Family /\$4 Children 5-11/FREE kid under 5. Deer Creek Park, 140 Mechanic St. Williamston. (517) 488-4323.

Land Bank Summer Home Showcase. Tour renovated Land Bank homes for sale in Lansing. 2-4 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Land Bank, 422 Adams St., Lansing. (517) 267-5221. inghamlandbank.org.

MUSIC

Music in the Park. Rum Boogie playing greatest hits from 60's & 70's. 4-6 p.m. FREE. Sharp Park, 1401 Elmwood Road, Lansing. (517) 323-8555, deltami.gov/parks.

THEATER

"The Vibrator Play." (For details, see June 19.) 2 p.m. \$10/\$8 senior/\$6 student. Ledges Playhouse, 137 Fitzgerald Park Drive, Grand Ledge. (517) 318-0579. overtheledge.org.

Monday, June 23 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Learn to Meditate. Taught by Bob Teachout. Enter at rear of building. 8:15-9 p.m. Donations. C. Weaver Physical Therapy Exercise Studio, 1720 Abbey Road, East Lansing. (517) 272-9379. .

Adult Rape Survivor Support Group. Preregistration preferred. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 372-9163.

Job Seekers Support Group. Find the right job or career. 10 a.m.-noon, FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 372-9163, womenscenterofgreaterlansing.org.

Support Group. For the divorced, separated and widowed. Room 9. 7:30 p.m. St. David's Episcopal Church, 1519 Elmwood Road, Lansing. (517) 323-2272, stdavidslansing.org.

Rock Camp. For experienced musicians. 9-1 p.m. \$220. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661. www.cms.msu.edu.

Outdoor Adventures Camp. Camp includes outdoor survival activities and more, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$125. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Senior Games. Hand/foot and cribbage. 10 a.m. &1 p.m. FREE. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

EVENTS

Social Bridge. No partner needed. 1-4 p.m. \$1.50.

Delta Township Enrichment Center, 4538 Elizabeth Road, Lansing. (517) 484-5600.

Mac's Monday Comedy Night. Hosted by Mark Roebuck and Dan Currie. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-6795. macsbar.com. Club Shakespeare. 6-8:45 p.m. Donations. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 348-5728, cadl.org.

Joel Tacey Science Comedy Show. All ages wacky comedy event. 1 p.m. FREE. Looking Glass Valley Park, 13351 Wacousta Road, Grand Ledge. (517) 627-7014. grandledge.lib.mi.us.

Saints, Sinners & Cynics. Lively conversation, variety of topics-no judgment. 6:30-8:30 p.m. FREE. Coral Gables, 2838 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing. (517) 882-9733. saintmichaellansing.org.

Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary. Meet (and touch!) real reptiles and amphibians. 2-3 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

MUSIC

Open Jam. All talents welcome. 7 p.m. FREE. Suits Tavern, 210 S. Washington Square Lansing. (517) 702-9150, suitstavern.com.

Tuesday, June 24 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Have a support system, lose weight. 7 p.m. FREE to visit. Eaton Rapids Medical Center, 1500 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids. (517) 543-0786. Not So Happy Endings Support Group. For women ending relationships. 5:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 896-3311.

Hopeful Hearts Grief Group. Learn, grow and heal together. 10-11 a.m. FREE. The Marquette Activity Room, 5968 Park Lake Road, East Lansing. (517) 381 4866. Capital City Toastmasters Meeting. Learn public speaking and leadership skills. 7 p.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 367-6300, cadl.org.

Speakeasies Toastmasters. Improve listening, analysis, leadership and presentation skills. 12:05-1 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Human Services Building, 5303 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (616) 841-5176.

Fur, Feathers, Scales & Slime. Preschool nature camps includes time with animals. 9 a.m.-noon. \$65. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866, meridian.mi.us.

Amazing Animals Camp. Kids discover animals and more at nature camp. 9 a.m.-noon. \$65. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Things with Wings Nature Camp. Kids take flight discovering animals that fly. 9 a.m.-noon. \$65. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Community Band Rehearsal. Featuring the East Lansing Kiwanis Community Band. 7 p.m. FREE. East Lansing High School, 509 Burcham Drive, East Lansing. (517) 490-0481.

Senior Games. Bingo, duplicate bridge and euchre.



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1 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. FREE, bridge \$3/\$2 members. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

Senior Brigade: Online Safety. Online Safety tips and tools. 10:30 a.m. FREE. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

Lansing Area Codependents Anonymous. 5:45-6:45 p.m. FREE. Everybody Reads Books and Stuff, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 515-5559. coda.org.

EVENTS

Bible and Beer. Discussion of scripture in everyday settings. 6 p.m. Midtown Brewing Co., 402 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 482-0600, bibleandbeer@ccclansing.org.

A Supernova in the Lab. Learn about MSU's Cyclotron Laboratory and FRIB. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org. Back to the Bricks Michiana. Free Classic Car display at Eastwood Towne Center. 5-8 p.m. FREE. Eastwood Towne Center, 3000 Preyde Blvd., Lansing. (517) 377-1416. backtothebricks.org/schedule.

LITERATURE AND POETRY

Tuesday Morning Book Club. Discuss "The Dressmaker" by Kate Alcott. 10:15-11:15 a.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Wednesday, June 25 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Family Storytime. Ages up to 6. Stories, rhymes and activities. 10:30 a.m. FREE. CADL South Lansing Library, 3500 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 367-6363.

Meditation. For beginners and experienced. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Vietnamese Buddhist Temple, 3015 S. Washington Ave., Lansing. (517) 351-5866.

Senior Games. Mah-jongg and pinochle. 1 p.m. FREE. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

Prayer and Meditation. Improve your skills. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434. PilgrimUCC.com.

57th Anniversary of the UCC. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434. PilgrimUCC.com. **Harpeth Rising & Devon Sproule**. Folk, bluegrass & rock on violin, banjo & cello. 7 p.m. \$10/\$8 advance. Garden House Concert Series, East Lansing. (734) 255-7523, harpethrising.com.



Overeaters Anonymous. 7 p.m. FREE. First Congregational United Church of Christ, 210 W. Saginaw Highway, Grand Ledge. (517) 256-6954, fcgl.org.

EVENTS

Allen Street Farmers Market. Featuring locally grown/prepared foods. Live music. 3-6:30 p.m. FREE. Allen Street Farmers Market, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3911.

Strategy Game Night. Learn and share favorite games. 5-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Capital Area Crisis Men's Rugby Practice. Weather permitting. All experience levels welcome. 6:30 p.m. FREE. St. Joseph Park, 2151 W. Hillsdale St., Lansing. crisisrfc.com.

Practice Your English. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420.

MUSIC

Concerts in the Park. Featuring Shawn Riley Band. 7 p.m. FREE. Quentin Park, 1501 Pingree St., Lansing. (517) 483-4277, lansingmi.gov/attractions. Pat Zelenka at Waterfront Bar. Four hours of all acoustic classic rock & soul. 6 p.m. No cover. Waterfront Bar and Grille, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing.

THEATER

"Ruthless." Campy musical spoof. 8 p.m. FREE. MSU Summer Circle Theatre, Red Cedar Rd., East Lansing. (517) 355-6690, theatre.msu.edu.

LITERATURE AND POETRY

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Farm bill gives mid-Michigan's agricultural community a boost

By MICHELLE BRYAN

Along a twisty dirt road in Westphalia, about a half hour northwest of Lansing,



is K & K Dairy Farm. It's right out of a Pure Michigan commercial: The rolling grass is a perfect shade of green up against a brightly painted apple red barn, adjacent to a

farmhouse where visitors are welcomed by a sandy Labrador and an orderly herd of friendly of cows. Yes, friendly - they follow the farm's owner Gregg Trierweiler around like giant puppy dogs.

"Sometimes when I'm corralling the cows in the barn, I find myself saying 'come on honey' or 'let's go sweetie," Trierweiler said. "I don't even know if I talk that way to my wife. But I want be extra nice to them. They're the ones making it happen for us."

Trierweiler said the Farm Bill had significant benefits for him. In part, it created the dairy margin insurance program, which takes into account both volatile milk prices and high feed costs. As a result, it allows Trierweiler to take out more loans for expansion.

Trierweiler supports the Farm Bill's funding for organic growers and appreciates the direction the farming industry is going, but he says he has no intention of going organic.

"People should be careful about the word organic," he said. "(They should) really make sure to understand what it means before (they) buy." The main concern for milk processing is removing antibiotics, if any, from the milk and bovine growth hormone (rBGH).

"Of course I give my cows antibiotics, if they get sick - I have to," Trierweiler said. Milk from sick cows is not used for processing, but Trierweiler stresses that his milk goes through a triple filtration process that removes any trace of antibiotics left behind. Technically, that would make his milk organic, but to be a "certified organic" dairy farm is a costly process that many dairy farmers find complicated and unnecessary. This is why organic products are typically more expensive than conventional.

Other dairy farmers in mid-Michigan may have an opportunity to afford the switch to organic. The Farm Bill benefits farmers, but is also it benefits the rest of us — including the nation's 47 million food stamp recipients — who rely on those crops, that milk, those products to live. Being a consumer of fresh produce has changed a lot recently. Pre-packaged salads that came in a few varieties just a few years ago now take up almost an entire aisle at Meijer. You can find specialty items like Thai eggplant and chayote gourds at local farmers markets, often grown organically and in Michigan. Farm-to-table has gone from being a buzzword to common practice at many local eateries.

In February, President Barack Obama visited East Lansing to sign the Agricultural Act of 2014 — informally known as the Farm Bill. The \$956 billion bill sup-

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ports conventional and organic farming.

"This is my fourth farm bill, and it's the most unique I have ever been involved in," Sen. Debbie Stabenow said in a March interview with The New York Times. "Past farm bills pit regions against regions, (but) I said that we were going to support all of agriculture."

Eating locally is a recent trend that has built-in health and ecological benefits — food that doesn't have to go far can be eaten when it's fresher and has more nutritional value, and it doesn't require as much highway travel, saving on fossil fuels. You can find organic food items in every major grocery store in and around Lansing, and those sections are continuing to grow with consumer demands.

"There is nothing hotter than farm-totable," said Republican Michigan State Rep. Bill Huizenga in the same Times article. Foods that were once only available conventionally are now being sold in organic varieties. But even if it doesn't bear the label "certified organic," when you buy local, you're still supporting smaller farms that work closely with livestock and produce. And — surprise — it might actually adhere to organic standards, even if it doesn't boast the label.



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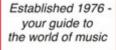
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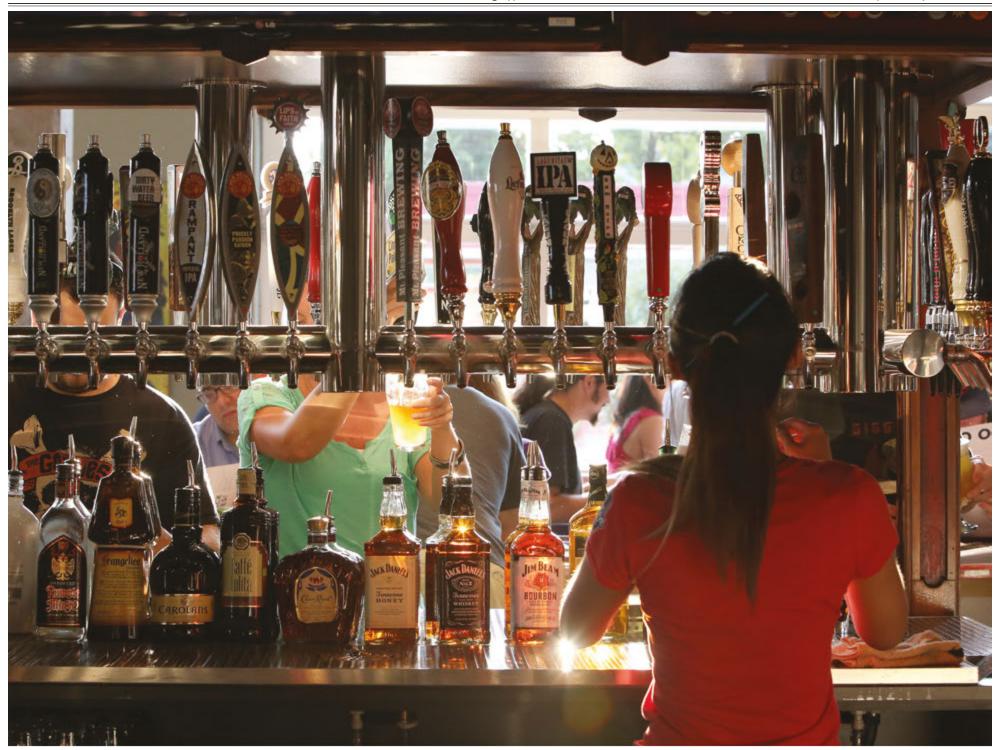
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