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NOTICE OF HEARING In the matter of Keeley Blaine & Brent Ericks

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FILE NO. 14-0568-CA and 14-0569-GA In the matter of Alice Johnson

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Date: 05/27/2014 DeAnn Moreno 5303 S. Cedar St. Lansing, MI 48911 (517)-887-9664

this leads to higher costs, and in this case, shoppers will be forced to make more trips and travel farther to obtain anything close to what Goodrich's offers. Seniors and families will be especially hard hit.

"Developer-friendly" Nathan Triplett and the rest of the upscale wannabes in city hall may be celebrating Fresh Thyme, a start-up with no proven record, as a better alternative. But the loss of Goodrich's will cause irreparable harm to ordinary citizens who are already paying the price for the tens of millions squandered trying to turn East Lansing into "the next great city in the Midwest."

Eliot Singer, East Lansing

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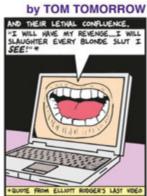
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PULSE THAT NEWS & OPINION

Outfield project

Cooley Law School Stadium proposal expected to pass next week

As a Council vote draws closer, victory looks imminent for the Outfield, a proposed \$23.5 million mixed-use project for the city-owned Cooley Law School Stadium, home to the Lansing Lugnuts baseball team.

Under the proposed development project, the 18-year-old stadium would receive repairs and upgrades alongside the construction of about 80 new single and two-bedroom apartments just north of the stadium's outfield. The city would pay for \$10.5 million of the improvements through bonds, which includes upgrades to the field, locker rooms and more. The remainder of the funds would come from developer Pat Gillespie, Take Me Out to the Ball Game LLC — which owns the Lugnuts team - a brownfield tax incentive and a grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corp. No public money would be used for the private development of the apartments.

The proposal would also keep the Lugnuts playing in the city until at least 2034 — replacing the current six-year lease with a 20-year lease.

To proceed with the project, Council will vote Monday on separate portions, including a brownfield tax incentive, rezoning of the northern area of the ballpark for a parking lot, and

finally, the stadium's lease and service agreement. The rezoning passes with five votes, the rest of the measures pass with six. During a public hearing earlier this week, Councilwoman Carol Wood was the only member who voiced reservations about the project. She raised concerns that Council had not seen a copy of the stadium's appraisal and that it was unclear where revenue from the stadium's proposed billboard would be allocated.

Randy Hannan, Mayor Virg Bernero's chief of staff, said that although he hasn't been counting votes, the mayor's office expects the measure to pass.

"We're on track to get it done," he said.
"We're very confident we'll have an awesome new stadium here in the future."

Council Vice President Judi Brown Clarke, along with Council members Derrick Quinney, Kathie Dunbar and Jody Washington confirmed they will vote yes on the project. Council President A'Lynne Boles and Councilwomen Carol Wood, Tina Houghton and Jessica Yorko could not be reached for comment.

Washington, whose ward houses the stadium, said she believes the project will be approved and that the only possible no vote would come from Wood. She also said that although she had reservations in the beginning, "My biggest thing is making sure the ballpark is up to where it needs to be," she said. "I'm very excited to support this."

Washington also said that once she realized public money would not be used to fund the private apartment development, she felt much better about supporting the project.

Brown Clarke said that the Outfield will bring the growth of downtown Lan-

sing to a new level.

"It's attractive, affordable housing for young professionals that have discretionary dollars," she said. "There are a lot of things developing in that area and a lot of activity. This just makes the area even more attractive."

Developer Pat Gillespie has said that he estimates the outfield's apartments will house about 100 residents, and that he expects about 75 of those people will be young professionals moving to the apartments from outside of Lansing, bringing in new income tax revenue for the city.

Brown Clarke said she also expects the apartments to bring young, outside talent to Lansing — something the city definitely needs.

"These will be high-end, urban-style apartments," she said. "There's not a whole lot of opportunity for that type of housing here, and with Jackson National Life and Sparrow Hospital, we've got a growing need for it."

Brown Clarke went even further.

"This could even build our school district, with young parents moving to town," she said. "Once it's repaired, the stadium could be used for even more events, like concerts and art and culture type events. This is a really good deal for the city."

Hannan echoed that statement, saying that the project will serve as a "confidence booster" to entrepreneurs who are considering investing in the city.

"These kinds of projects are synergistic," he said. "They're pieces of a puzzle that all benefit each other and create a very vibrant downtown."

- Becky McKendry

OF THE WEEK

Property: 2901 Wabash Road, Lansing Lansing School Supt. Yvonne Camaal Canul says: Budget issues have stalled renovations, looking into a plan

Behind the Lansing School District's Marvin E. Beekman Center stands a playground that has certainly seen better days. Sprinkled with rust spots, the faded peach playground equipment is partially draped in bright orange safety netting.

Strings of yellow caution tape are tied around posts and have tangled in the netting — although some of the tape is just littered on the ground. On first glance, because the netting and tape is so haphazardly applied to the equipment, it's unclear if the playground is really a hazard or the tape and netting is the result of a bad wind gust carrying some litter.

This eyesore came to light after an anonymous resident sent a mass email out to various news outlets, including City Pulse, along with the Superintendent Canul and Mayor Virg Bernero. In her email, the resident said that she began investigating the sad state of the playground after taking her daughter to play on the equipment.

According to the email, the resident said she was told that plans have been in place to build a new one, but the park's placement over a gas line makes it difficult.

-Becky McKendry

at 270 W. Grand River Ave.

Bye bye, Biggby?

The wrecking ball is looming over Biggby Coffee's historic first location at 270 W. Grand River Ave. in East Lansing.

Under the proposed Gateway Project, developers led by DTN Management Co. plan to demolish the Biggby location and erect a six-story mixed-use building, primarily for apartments.

If the project goes through, the area's atmosphere will be disrupted too much, said East Lansing Councilmember Ruth Beier, who serves as the Council Liaison to the city's Historic District Commission.

"That mid-century modern look defines that area," she said. "I love it."

Beier said she'd love to keep the Biggby building standing, which was built in the 1950s and once served as an Arby's restaurant and a bus station. But she doesn't know if there is enough push to get the building deemed a landmark.

"That current building is old enough that it could qualify as a historic building," she said. "But it's a tough one. It's right on the edge of historic and not. It's certainly nostalgic, though."

Opened in March 1995, the 24-hour coffee shop was the first venture of Biggby co-founders Bob Fish and Mary Roszel. At that time, the store was known

as Beaner's, but Fish changed the name to Biggby in 2007, after people raised concerns that the name was also a racial remark about Mexican-Americans.

If the development goes through, the



Becky McKendry/City Puls

and Mary Roszel. At that The original Biggby at 270 W. Grand River Ave.

oldest Biggby location will be the one on Ottawa Street in downtown Lansing. That location was opened in 1997.

 $-{\bf Becky\,McKendry}$

"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@lansingcitypulse.com or call Andy Balaskovitz at 999-5064.

The story of an estate sale

I received a note at my house last week alerting neighbors that an estate sale would be held on Thursday. It was



staged just three houses away from mine and, in fact, attracted a large crowd.

I'd never been to an estate sale, but since it was nearby I decided to take a look. I didn't realize that there is a caravan that follows this sort of sale. Once inside

— there was a line at the door – I found the whole thing sort of sad. Hundreds of people picking over the remnants of once vibrant lives, all of it reduced

to a discounted, "must-be-sold-today" transaction just seemed intrusive.

The estate-sale items belonged to Al and Irene Arens, an older couple that I'd met shortly after moving into my neighborhood but who hadn't for quite a few years been part of the suburban rhythms of cutting lawns, walking dogs, passing waves and nods. I didn't know the Arenses. But I do now, perhaps more intimately than I have a right to.

Al Arens was an accountant/educator, apparently very successful. Among the items at the estate sale was a proclamation recognizing "Dr. Alvin A. Arens as the University of Minnesota Beta Alpha Psi Accountant of the Year for 1995." The poster-sized award celebrated his distinguished career - Price Waterhouse Auditing Professor at Michigan State University, author of leading textbooks, past president of the American Accounting

Neighbors, especially those connected to MSU, surely would have known about his academic superlatives. But these were pick through my watercolors or swing my only the outer skin of the onion.

What the proclamation didn't tell was Arens' passion for golf: his clubs and training devices, golf balls and books. There was his jukebox: United Music Corporation Jukebox Model Ump -3 Number 11687. Or his music neatly typed into display labels: G-1: City of New Orleans (Arlo Guthrie); E-1: Lay Down Sally (Eric Clapton); or H-7: Stayin' Alive (Bee Gees).

Irene Arens' life unfolded in her paintings. Her works were primarily oils and acrylics, but she also did batiks. Her paintings are of a skilled and dedicated hobbyist's, most of them going for \$20. There were easels, brushes, blank canvasses, partly used tubes of paints, now passed on to others, which as an artist is no doubt what she'd want.

Bob Howe's Epic Auctions & Estate Sales managed the Arens' estate sale. He acknowledges that transitory nature of this line of business."In the end it's not about this stuff," he said. "These things may have been accumulated on the journey. In the end, it's about family and friends."

He acknowledged that in a practical sense an estate sales is about moving on, letting go of the past, preparing for the future, certainly for families. My problem — according to my wife, anyway — is that I'm a saver. Not a hoarder, but I like my stuff: books, tools, music, tee shirts, mugs, wood scraps, newspapers. I AM NOT A HOARDER! But apparently I'm better grounded in the past and present.

I shouldn't care if at some estate sales bargain hunters unravel my life as they look at my sheet music or record albums, wooden tennis racquets. But I do.

I looked at the Arens' cross-country and downhill skis and thought of family vacations, commemorated with their Minolta 35mm single lens reflex cameras with extra lenses. Or the squashed flat baseball gloves - right handed and left handed. This was a gardening family pots and tools and a spacious backyard off the patio. Now weeds have overtaken the beds and grass needs cutting.

I know what books they read, that they liked music thanks to vintage turntables and receivers (there was a grand piano, not for sale), that they liked things Asian - prints and rugs. They had antique dolls, Depression era decanters and stems. Their Norelco coffee maker was priced at \$10.

And though I'm still uncomfortable with the trappings of the Arens' lives reduced to \$5 take-it-all boxes, I come away from their estate sale feeling that this was a couple, a family, that had a rich and meaningful life.

And so it was. I talked with the Arens' daughter Linda, who confirmed that what I saw at the estate sale captured the life of her family — a happy family. As for moving on, Linda is moving in, into the family home with the grand piano still in the living room.

The estate sale as a memorial? Perhaps it is. Certainly was for the Arenses.

Correction: In last week's article about Lansing businesses shaping the 21st Century I misidentified the president of Emergent Biosolutions' bio defense division. It is Adam R. Havey. I apologize for the error.

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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 16, 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 2, 2014, at the City Clerk's Office, Ninth Floor, City Hall, 124 West Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48933.

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CITY OF LANSING SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE #2578

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.

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

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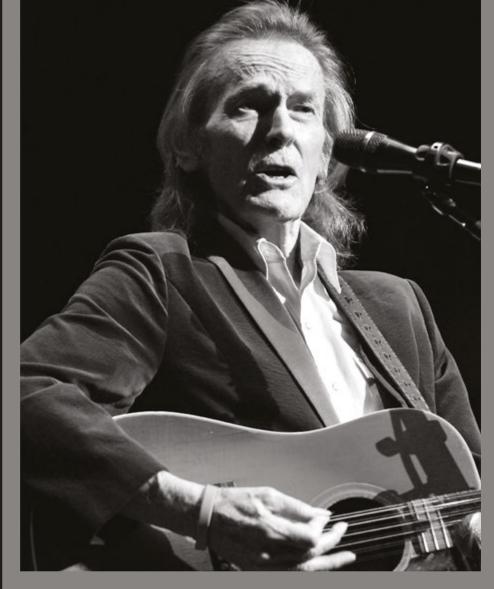
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RIVER PHOENIX

Grand River gets reimagined as entertainment focal point instead of backdrop by Allan 1. Ross

etween now and Labor Day — affectionately known in mid-Michigan as either "mosquito season" or "three months of bad sledding," depending on who you talk to — Lou Adado Riverfront Park will host no shortage of festivals and events. But a debut event next week, the Grand American Fish Rodeo, promises to go somewhere with the waterfront property few festivals have dared tread — actually into the water.

"What I'd like to do (is) to get you hooked on this idea," Terry Terry, event co-founder and president of the Michigan Institute of Contemporary Art, told the weekly Lansing Rotary Club meeting last week. Terry introduced the audience to several of the Fish Rodeo's scheduled events: A fishing competition, a maritime-themed tattoo contest, a mechanical bull in the shape of a fish (called the "bucking bass"), a rubber duck derby and a fashion show that requires clothing made from — what else — fishnet.

"We have more than 100 ideas, but we can't do it all at once," Terry said. "This year we're getting our feet wet, testing the water."

Terry said he hopes to attract national attention to the festival — think of Lollapalooza with less noise-induced hearing loss and more fish puns. Live music will range from nationally touring country artist Clare Dunn to local jazz guitarist Elden Kelly. There will also be food vendors and a beer tent called, fittingly, the Watering Hole. Terry thinks 5,000 people will make it over the event's three-day run, and he anticipates luring up to 50,000 people downtown if this takes off.

"The Grand River is an under-utilized resource, and it's high time we highlight it and show it off for all it can offer," Terry said. "It's going to be a grand summer on the river."

April's inaugural Microbrew and Music Festival, which, like most Adado events, merely used the river as a backdrop, was almost moved to Old Town for fear of getting revelers' feet wet because of potential spring flooding. (Did they really think a little mud would hinder a beer-and-music bash — hasn't anyone heard of Woodstock?) The last local event to highlight the Grand River was the Dragon Boat Race, which used to take place Labor Day weekend as part of the Michigan Mosaic Music Festival. After attracting passionate rowers in 2011 and 2012, the boats took a "hiatus" last year, but they'll return Sept. 13-14 — a long way off, but still technically summer.

Local businesses are also picking up on this idea. The Grand Fish, launched by Ken and Giselle Settimo in 2010, has built up a steady clientele base of aquaphiles who rent the business' canoes and kayaks and lounge in the outdoor seating area across from River Street Park. The Settimos also provide water taxi rides between their dock, just south of the Kalamazoo Bridge, and the Lansing City Market.

The Power of Water, an aptly named new Lansing business, takes the Grand Fish's affinity for playing on the water one step further — owner/operator Trey Rouss wants



to see you get in over your head.

"A lot of people look at the Grand River as something to be avoided, but most communities would kill for a resource like this," Rouss said. "There are so many bad misconceptions about it. The money that's been invested into getting it clean has worked. It's in really good shape. I'm in it all the time."

Rouss leads weekly water polo games in the river every Tuesday. He's also a certified paddleboard and kayak instructor. And playing in the water isn't just a good way to blow off steam — it's a way to get to know your city a little better.

"With increased use comes an increased connection with it," he said. "We want people on the river so people start caring more for it and embracing it."

So if you think you've been exploiting every facet of entertainment the capital city has to offer, think again. The Grand River finally gets a chance to move from the background scenery into the spotlight this year. There's a whole other dimension of recreation waiting to be explored.

Summer 2014 is a good time to dive in.

Summer Events

There are enough festivals, concerts, run/ walks and gizzard-eating contests to keep you busy until it's time to stow the sandals for the season. Here's a list of the best of the season's activities, as well as some select summer reading, camping and theater options.

June 7: Mayor's Family Riverwalk

Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero leads a three-mile walk, from Potter Park Zoo to the Turner-Dodge House. Free shuttle back to the zoo. First 1,000 walkers get a T-shirt. 9 a.m. FREE. lansingmi.gov.

June 6-8: Gizzard Fest

Activities include a gizzardeating contest, 5K run/walk, car show, fishing tournament, parade and fireworks. Live music featuring Double Wide Ride, Good Times and Hot Eraser. *Noon-midnight Friday; 7 a.m.-midnight Saturday; 9 a.m.-whenever Sunday. Potterville High School, 422 High St., Potterville.* (517) 927-7912, gizzardfest.com.

June 12-14: Grand American Fish Rodeo

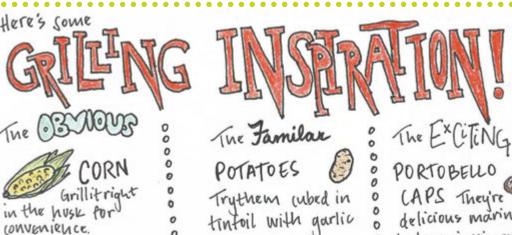
Boat parade, rubber fish derby, fishing tournament and more. 4-11

p.m. Thursday; noon-11 p.m. Friday; 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday. Adado Riverfront Park, Lansing. FREE. grandamericanfishrodeo.com.

June 14: Oldsmobile Homecoming

Car show and swap meet hosted by the Oldsmobile Club of America R.E. Olds Chapter. State of Michigan General Office Building, Dimondale. (517) 290-7455, reolds.org.

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BURGERS W Try stuffing with Olives or onlons.

HOT DOGS Roll them lightly the whole time for even grilling. CHICKEN Marinate before grilling to avoid dryness.

KEBABS add unique fillings like pineapple or Squash.

cloves and oit.

ZUCCHINI Brush with olive oil and dust with sea salt before grilling.

PORTOBELLO CAPS They're delicious marinated in balsamic vinegar.

* PEACHES Grilled, these could be good on burgers or as a fahry dessert.

EGGPLANT These could be a good meatless burger replacement.

store bought dough on tinfoil will make this easy and tasty.

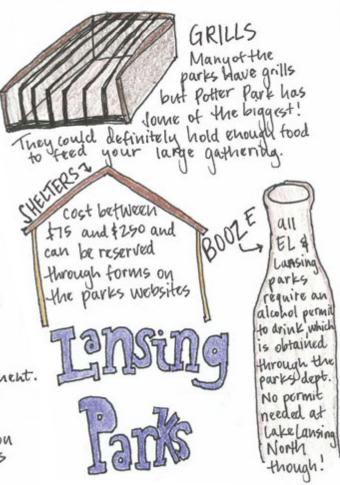


ILLUSTRATION BY STEPHANIE ONDERCHANIN

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p.m. (517) 663-3288, damfestival.

June 15-21: Red Cedar Jubilee Live music, parades, craft shows, an enduro derby, lawn mower races and a food and beverage

tent. FREE. Various locations and times throughout downtown Williamston. (517) 655-3831, facebook.com/redcedarjubilee.

June 19-21: Lansing Juneteenth Celebration

Music, dancing, and educational and health fairs commemorating the end of slavery in the U.S. St. Joseph Park, Lansing. (517) 394-6900, lansingjuneteenthcelebration.org.

June 19-22: Yankee Doodle Days

Music and activities, featuring Root Doctor and Global Village. Downtown Grand Ledge. FREE/\$5 for some entertainment events. (517) 627-2383, grandledgechamber.com.

June 21: Dam Festival

Celebrating Eaton Rapids' history and culture featuring a craft show, Civil War display, blacksmith, handson activities for kids, concessions and an ice cream parlor. FREE. 9 a.m.- 6

June 28: Lansing Beer Fest

Craft beer and live music in historic REO Town. \$30-\$35/\$5 designated driver. Washington Avenue, Lansing. (517) 331-0528, lansingbeerfest.com.

June 28: Delta Rocks! Family Festival

Featuring a live petting zoo, trackless train rides, arts and crafts booths and inflatable attractions. FREE. Noon-6 p.m. Sharp Park, Lansing. (517) 323-8555, deltami.gov/parks.

July 7-12: Eaton County Fair

Includes team penning, endure and motocross races and truck and tractor pulls. \$5/\$25 week pass/5 and under FREE. 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Eaton Country Fair Grounds, Charlotte. (517) 543-4510, eatoncountyfair.com.

July 8-9: Potter Park Zoo Dollar Days

One-dollar admission to the zoo with a voucher and free parking. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Potter Park Zoo. 1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517)

483-4222, potterparkzoo.org.

July 8-29: Play in the Park Series July 8: "The Joel Tacey Variety Show." Magic and goofy stunts, including an audience levitation trick.

July 15: "Cirque Amongus." Juggling, balancing, audience participation.

July 22: Impression 5's Giant Trebuchet. Hurling things through the air via medieval catapult-like device.

July 29: Zumba Kids with Becky Newcombe. Latin rhythm exercise for all ages.

All events FREE. 7 p.m. Valley Court Park, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com.

July 19: Taste of Downtown

The diverse cuisine and wine of downtown Lansing restaurants. \$20/\$15 before July \$18/\$5 children/children under 2 FREE. 3-8 p.m., Washington Avenue, Lansing. tasteofdowntown.org.

July 26: Car Capital Auto Show Judged show with 74 vehicle classes, 16 motorcycle classes and prize giveaways. \$30 registration/ FREE to attend. 7:30 a.m. -10:30 p.m. Capitol Building, downtown

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Summer Theater Guide

by Alexa McCarthy

Courtesy Photo Kellie Stonebrook performing a children's show at Renegade Theatre Festival.



Riverwalk Theatre will hold a free summer workshop for young actors interested in getting involved with theater. The Young Artisan Workshop will also stage "Peter Pan" July 24-27. riverwalktheatre.com, (517) 482-5700.

Michigan State University Department of Theatre will

host its annual Summer Circle Theatre in its new outdoor theater on the banks of the Red Cedar River. The shows are thematically linked by a sense of looking toward a brighter future. The schedule consists of the coming-of-age tale "What I Did Last Summer" (June 11-14); a backyard party gone wrong in "Detroit" (June 18-21); a campy musical, "Ruthless" (June 25-28); a charming comedy, "The Summer Circle" (June 13-28); and a collection of six, short, creepy, pulpy plays, "The Weird" (June 13-28). theatre.msu.edu, (800) WHARTON.

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Theater

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Lansing Community College
Department of Theatre also takes to
the outdoor stage in its Summer Stage
series. It will feature "Fools" (June 2529), followed a month later with "In a
Grove: Four Japanese Ghost Stories"
(July 23-27) Icc.edu/cma/events, (517)
483-1546.

Mid Michigan Family Theatre

offers production geared toward the younger set. In June, the theatre will stage Oscar Wilde's "The Selfish Giant" (June 13-22). In August, it will perform the historical musical, "The Castaways" (Aug. 1-10). freewebs.com/midmichigantheatre, (517) 339-2145.

Over the Ledge Theatre Co.

continues its summer season with "In the Next Room (or the Vibrator Play)." Based on the bizarre historical facts that doctors used vibrators to treat "hysterical" women, the play centers on a doctor and his wife (June 19-29). Next is "Married Alive," a series of comical vignettes about the ups and downs of marriage (July 31-Aug 10). overtheledge.org, (517) 318-0579.

Williamston Theatre started its summer series with "Old Love" (May 15-June 15). It will wrap up its season with "The Big Bang" (July10- Aug 17). williamstontheatre.com, (517) 655-7469.

Renegade Theatre Festival will finish out the summer season in Old Town Aug. 14-16. The festival will take place in a variety of occupied and vacant office spaces throughout Old Town, as well as in outdoor areas. Scheduled for the festival so far is "With One Little Stone" by Michigan playwright Conor McShane; "The Human Behind the Image: A Matter of Life and Death" from the MSU Theatre Department; "Cock" from the Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.; "North Gier Street," an original one-man play by Raymond Goodwin; "Just Wanna Dance" from Riverwalk; and "Campfire" from Williamston Theatre.

Summer Reads

by Bill Castanier

The best adventure road trip book of all time is probably "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," but what if Huck lived in a post-apocalyptic future and had to wear a blindfold to keep from going insane as he took his epic river trip? That's the bone-chilling premise of "Bird Box," the stunning debut of Michigan author/musician Josh Malerman.

"Bird Box" plays you like a well-tuned guitar, which is especially fitting: Malerman wrote the book on the road as he traveled cross-country with his band, the High Strung. "Bird Box" follows a young mother with two children who takes to a Michigan river to escape an unknown "monster" that has the ability to send you into madness if you view it. Everyone is in the dark in this book, wearing blindfolds to block the madness.

Another heck of a summer read is "Pioneers, Reformers & Millionaires," by Elizabeth Homer of Lansing. It's about James Turner, one of Lansing's first citizens and a titan of Midwest industry, and his family. The story she tells is one of an adventurous clan, an epic story that unspools over generations. Homer writes with passion about a family she knows well from her time as the curator of the Turner-Dodge House & Heritage Center in Lansing.

"Alan Lomax: The Man Who Recorded the World" is an extraordinary read about the groundbreaking ethnomusicologist who is best known for his 10-year odyssey in the 1930s to collect folk songs. Although he is mostly noted for recording the roots of blues, this book tells about his time in Michigan gathering lumbering and sailing songs.

If your summer vacation takes you to Traverse City, why not read a book about that historic Northern Michigan vacation mecca? Michael Federspiel has a keen eye views from his catbird seat as director of the Little Traverse Historical Museum in Petoskey, and in this new photographic/art book, he shares the history of this resort area. The book is a stunning collection of photographs, both historical and modern.

Speaking of photography, "Detroit Resurgent" is a collection of more



than 60 photographs by French portrait photographer Giles Perrin. The book edited by two MSU professors, John Beck and Howard Bossen, who conducted interviews with the subjects. Detroit may be gasping for air, but the people who live there are still as vibrant as ever.

"Canvas Detroit" by Julie Pincus and Nichole Christian, with its hundreds of images of dramatic art dotting the city, elicits a different feel for Detroit, the city that redefined ruin porn. When you leaf through the pages, you can't help but feel that this is a city where art lives in all its forms. Another Detroit book is Jack Dempsey's "Capitol Park," which provides a look at the area in the city that might have been the state's first capital.

For something a little different, pick up the graphic novels "Bluffton" by Matt Phelan or "March: Book One," the first of Civil Rights leader John Lewis' three-art autobiography. Phelan has concocted an unusual coming-of-age story about Buster Keaton who summered in the early 1900s with his family in the resort community north of Muskegon. "March" was selected for the MSU-East Lansing Community Read program earlier this year and details the horrors endured by Civil Rights activists.

And finally, don't let this summer pass without reading Maya Angelou's "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings." Angelou, who died last week, constructed one of the best and most important literary memoirs ever with this book. Her literary legacy will endure in her 36 other works, but "Caged Bird" intricately dissects her childhood, teen years and her coming of age in a world of racism.

Quick Getaways by Eric Finkler

There's a lot to do in Lansing, but as summer wears on you may want to escape the city living hustle for a brief vacation in the woods. With multiple campgrounds just a short drive from downtown Lansing, you may find the perfect outdoor environment that complements your city-slicking existence.

LANSING COTTONWOOD CAMPGROUND. 5339 Aurelius Road, Lansing. (517) 393-3200, lansingcottonwoodcampground.com. Featuring horseshoe pits, ladderball, volleyball, a game room, fishing contests on holidays, rowboats, paddle boats and softball. (About 12 minutes from downtown.) A, CK, L, P, SP, R,W,

SLEEPY HOLLOW PARK.

7835 E. Price Road, Laingsburg. (517) 651-6217, michigan. gov/sleepyhollow. With hiking, biking and horse trails, a disc golf course, a non-motorized lake, a playground and outdoor recreation area. It also has a lot for organizations to reserve and use. (About 12 minutes.) A, CK, P, R, W

LAKESIDE RESORT CAMP-GROUND. 750 E. Grand River, lonia. (616) 527-3216, lake-sideresortcampground.com. Camping accommodations for tents, pop-ups and RVs with a wide range of recreational activities and hiking/biking trails. Campground store on premises, sells various RV supplies and other camping items. (About 35 minutes.) A, E, L, P,

MAPLE RIVER CAMP-GROUND. 15420 French
Road, Pewamo. (989) 981-6792, maplerivercampground.
com. All campsites are located on the Maple River. Amenities include WiFi service and a rec room. Optional cabin rental. (About 45 minutes.) A, CK, E, P, R, W

WALNUT HILLS FAMILY CAMPGROUND. 7685 Lehring Road, Durand. (866) 634-9782,

walnuthillsfamilycampground. com. Located near the Shiawassee River. (About 45 minutes.) A, CK, E, P, R

Key:

A: alcohol permitted CK: canoe/kayak rental

E: electricity

L: laundry room

P: pet-friendly

R: modern restroom

SP: swimming pool

W: waterfront sites

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Lansing. reoldsmuseum. org.

July 28- Aug. 2: Ingham County Fair

4-H horse and livestock exhibition, food contests, rides and entertainment shows. 8 a.m. gates. \$8/\$5 children and seniors/ children under 2 FREE. In-

gham County Fairground. Mason. fb.ingham.org.

July 30: East Lansing Aquatic Center Birthday Party

Games, prizes, cake and pizza. 11 a.m. -8 p.m. (517) 332-4420, cityofeastlansing.com.

Aug. 2: Island Art Fair

Over 100 artists, plus food and live music on Second Island in downtown Grand Ledge. Juried show and Princess Laura Riverboat rides. FREE. 10 a.m. -5p.m. 120 S. Bridge St. Grand Ledge. ledgecraftlane.com.

Aug.1-2: Bath Days Festival Bathtub races, parade, car show, food, music entertainment and fireworks. FREE. 2 p.m.-dark Friday; 8 a.m.-dark Saturday. bathdays.com.

Aug. 14-16: Renegade Theatre Festival

Theater productions in unconventional locations around Lansing's Old Town district. Genres include comedy, drama, musicals, children's theatre and original works by local playwrights. FREE. Times and schedule to be announced. Old Town, Lansing. renegadetheatrefestival.org.

Aug. 14-16: DeWitt Ox Roast

Festivities include a parade, car show, carnival, music and food. FREE. 3-11 p.m. Thursday; 2-11:30 p.m. Friday; 8 a.m.-11:30

p.m. Saturday. Downtown DeWitt. dewittoxroast.net.

Aug. 23: Michigan Pride March, Rally & Festival

Statewide celebration of the LGBT community. 1 p.m. parade, ending with a rally at the Capitol. Festivities continue at various bars and restaurants in Old Town 2 p.m-1 a.m. FREE. michiganpride.org.

ARTS & CULTURE

Empty space on the wall

Artists, gallery owners recall 'gentleman' Bill Hankins

By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

Bill Hankins was behind the times, by nature, and that put him a little bit ahead.

The death May 23 of the longtime East Lansing gallery owner has local art-



Hankine

ists musing about what's still missing in the local arts community. Hankins was 81.

"When you walked into his gallery, time was frozen," artist Irving Zane Taran said. "It was a place of slow

time. You could gaze, think or speak."

Hankins blended his passion for antique prints and maps with unwavering support of contemporary art in three East Lansing locations from 1990 to 2010.

"He was more interested in the art than the money," artist Bruce Thayer said. "He brought real art to the area. He didn't sell whatnots. For him to open a gallery that sophisticated was something good in East Lansing. He was sticking his neck out."

In spite of Hankins' old world charm and the grandfather-clock quietude of his shop, he was ahead of the curve in East Lansing. His sophistication and accessibility made him just the kind of art entrepreneur the 2-year-old Broad Art Museum was supposed to attract to East Lansing but still hasn't.

"If Bill were still around, with the Broad coming in, that's the type of thing that would have lifted up the East Lansing art scene," Thayer said. "But he was working in a desert in terms of art. He was more of a pioneer."

Hankins started his first gallery, Prints Ancient and Modern, on M.A.C. Avenue, after retiring from the State of Michigan in 1990. An inveterate traveler from his Army days, he rummaged Europe for old maps and prints with his wife and lifelong partner, Helen.

A visitor might enter the gallery and find Hankins' tall, lean figure bent on all fours, enthusing over a bottom-drawer print from his specially made cabinet.

But the antiquarian shopkeeper embraced bold modern work. Over the years, Taran mounted half a dozen one-person

shows at Hankins' gallery, participated in many group shows and hung work in the gallery almost continuously. "He represented my work to the whole mid-Michigan community for 20 years, and I'm not the only one," Taran said.

After a show at the cramped M.A.C. gallery, Hankins told Taran he needed a bigger space, if only to better showcase Taran's heroic slabs of texture and color. In the mid-90s, he moved the gallery to a second-story spot above the old Jocundry's book store on Grand River Avenue.

"That was a beautiful location with three major skylights," Taran said. "I'll never forget them."

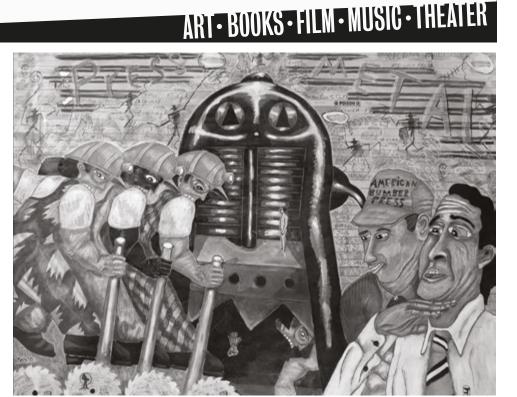
Kind as he was, Hankins had a warrior spirit when it came to his artists. "He was the perfect person for me, because I'm very unassertive in selling my work," artist Nancy Leiserowitz said. "He was ambitious for me."

Hankins also featured young artists and up-and-coming creators from Europe and other places he visited.

"He stretched with untried people who didn't have as long a track record as we did," Taran said. "He gave people their first chance, which is always a professional risk."

Thayer's rough-hewn, populist art, with its pleas for social justice, had a special appeal for Hankins. In his Traverse City retirement years, Hankins was a frequent presence at Jubilee House, a ministry where people in trouble were fed and housed. He once rescued an alcoholic from a snowbank and drove him to the hospital.

Other galleries wouldn't touch Thayer's work; Hankins championed it. "I've gotten flak, even in Chicago," Thayer said. "To go all the way from Irv's work to my figurative work is quite a range, but it all worked to-



Courtesy nhoto

Work by artist Bruce Thayer. Other galleries wouldn't touch his work; Hankins championed it.

Hankins even brought paintings to clients' homes, helped them pick out a suitable spot and hung the work for them. Taran recalled trundling off in Hankins' van to see his massive works safely to their destinations.

When hair salon Douglas J bought a massive Taran installation, the two had a ball putting up an array of 70 "raindrop" blobs after business hours. The painting is still there.

Hankins built a loyal base of clients and customers, many of whom made the trip from outstate areas just to visit his gallery, but a lack of walk-in traffic hurt him at the second-floor Grand River lo"We looked at the exhibition as a very lively enterprise between the gallery and the artists. You didn't bring them in and drop them."

Hankins' wife, Helen, worked as a physical therapist to help the couple make ends meet, and was a constant presence in the gallery.

"Their love permeated the gallery," Taran said.

Both of them volunteered at the Kresge Art Museum, where Helen was a docent, and supported local music and theater.

"Bill and Helen were such elegant people," Dufelmeier said. "They brought such a refined sense of art to the community. They had that personal interest in antique prints, but then embraced people like Irv Taran. Their likes were all over the map. It was a real loss when they closed the shop."

For most people who worked with Hankins, the loss of a classy gallery is inextricable with the loss of a classy man.

Catherine Babcock, director of the Lansing Art Gallery, recalled when a local reporter interviewed them both, along with Roy Saper of Saper Galleries, about the local gallery scene.

"He was incredibly charming," Babcock said. "He was always about art and the artist, not about competition."

Hankins stories are in short supply. He didn't toss off bon mots, contrive "moments" or otherwise draw attention to himself.

"With Bill, I don't have any anecdotes. All I have are adjectives," Leiserowitz said.

"If I think about how successful dealers and owners act — Bill managed to succeed without being one of them. He was a gentleman, which is kind of an anachronism

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NANCY LEISEROWITZ, ARTIST

gether in his gallery."

To counter the dip in interest and attendance that follows many openings, Hankins started a "night with the artist" series, heavily promoted through mailings to customers.

Taran gave the first talk. "There were 65 to 70 people," he said. "There weren't enough seats. We were on to something."

Artists saw Hankins as a partner, even in the often contentious process of hanging a show.

"It was never a dead thing, where you just showed the pictures," Taran said. "We'd work at spacing, color."

cation. In the early '00s, he made one last move, to a storefront in East Lansing's Marriott Hotel complex.

"There was a tenacity to his vision," said Mackerel Sky co-owner Linda Dufelmeier, whose gallery is a block away from the Marriott. "We were lucky he continued to want a space, despite the difficulty in moving from place to place."

For a 2003 show, Hankins and Taran went nuts, taking over a temporarily empty space next door at the Marriott. They worked together for days to hang the show.

"He was fun to work with," Taran said.

Lansing native
Jonathan Smith
is a substitute
percussionist for
the Broadway
Disney musical
"Aladdin." His
father, John
Dale Smith, has
done musical
production work
in Lansing for
over 30 years.



Magic carpet ride

Lansing musician zips between orchestra pits in Lansing and Broadway

By DYLAN SOWLE

Musical theater runs in the family for Jonathan Smith. In March, the Lansing native — and son of prolific Lansing band director and musician John Dale Smith — joined the elite ranks of the Broadway pit orchestra as a substitute percussionist for the new Disney musical "Aladdin."

As the show's sole substitute percussionist, Smith fills in on days that the permanent musicians can't be make it to the theater. But don't let the deceptively underwhelming "substitute" title fool you: Smith knows every note of the score, which is necessary when he has join the 50-plus-piece percussion section at a moment's notice.

But Smith, 26, only spends part of his time playing for sold-out crowds on the Great White Way; the Haslett High grad is also occupied pretty regularly back here in Michigan, where he's working on finishing his doctorate in percussion performance at the University of Michigan. (He received his bachelor's degree from there before getting a master's at Julliard.)

The idea of a pit musician commuting to Broadway from Ann Arbor might seem a bit unusual, but Smith makes it work.

"I've played eight shows so far and I've only been working on it for about a month," Smith said. "But there could be a month that goes by where I only play once, so I need to keep it finely tuned and play it perfect every single time."

Broadway does seem like a logical place for the son of a musical theater guru. His father has been an active part of the Lansing music scene for over 30 years.

"I've done 100 musicals since 1980, at Lansing Community College, Riverwalk Theatre, high schools, the BoarsHead," said Smith, 63. "There was a point where I did six shows, one right after another. It was a great time."

Jonathan Smith said his parents have constantly supported him in his pursuits, even as they've maintained their own musical careers. Smith's father is the musical director for local variety show "The Evan Michael Show," as well as for many local community theater performances. He's also the leader of multiple smaller musical groups and the director of music at several churches. Smith's mother, Janine Smith, is a private voice and scene class instructor at LCC, where both Smith and his father have accompanied her in her work.

"One of the reasons I'm so success-

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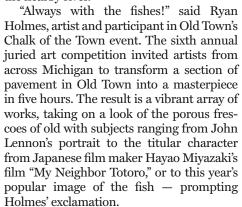
Where Sagan meets Picasso

Chalk, quilts and collagraphy to be found in local galleries this month

By JONATHAN GRIFFITH

In the art world, there have always been reformists who have challenged the conventions of what art is and can be, from those who celebrated their acceptance into the Salon des Refusés to Marcel Duchamp's urinal exhibition. Creatives will seemingly always struggle to prove that art can be found in the most unlikely places and from the most unlikely individuals.

Old Town took a page from this book for this month's First Sunday Gallery Walk weekend. Artists' works adorned the Lansing art mecca's sidewalks rather than its walls ... as well as some of its inhabitants from the nearby river.



Holmes, who recently produced a cover for City Pulse, was inspired by popular 3-D sidewalk artists like Julian Beever, whose works, when viewed from a specific vantage point, look as if they're jumping out of the ground.

"The human hand is said to be the hardest thing to illustrate, and I wanted the challenge this year," Holmes said.

Holmes wasn't the only artist not interested in creating a piece including fish. Eaton Rapids-based comic book artist Corey Marie went with astrophysicist and author Carl Sagan.

"I hope people find a curiosity with my piece," said Marie, who was just as perplexed by the recurring fish theme. "I feel like Carl Sagan is really where art and science collide."

Over at MSU, Lookout! Gallery pre-

miered two new exhibits that, to the uninitiated, may seem like a bunch of colorful blankets. But Farmington Hills-based artist Anne Heimstra assures they are much more.

"It's been an uphill battle," Heimstra said about quilt art's acceptance into the art world. "It's only really found its place in the last 10 years. There are museums now who still won't accept them. They say, 'that's something a grandma would do."

"Color Wheel of Emotions" and "Mapping Memories: Michigan" feature a wide offering of art quilts from members of the Studio Art Quilt Associates. The former is a traveling show and the latter features works submitted by local artists. While some pieces are hung on the wall, several are deliberately suspended from the ceiling, allowing

the viewer a 360 view of the meticulous and intricate stitching involved in creating an image out of fabric. Some pieces display a calculated crisscross of patterns and warm colors, utilizing silks, cottons, and in one artist's case,



a frequently worn red sweater from child-hood. Others display full images created completely from fabric.

"Museums don't encourage this, but I make my art quilts for people to want to touch them," Heimstra said. "That's the unique thing about art quilts. I feel like no other art encourages people to want to do that."

Grove Gallery and Studios premiered an exhibit by a former MSU employee who refuses to be defined by any one style or medium with "A Retrospective: Twenty Years of Paper, Prints and Textiles."

"When I worked as a designer, I was always adhering to goals," said the exhibition's artist, Gretel Geist Rutledge. "Now I am free to do whatever I want."

Rutledge, who retired in 2007, worked as a costume designer at MSU for 38 years. In the '90s, she took a course in printmaking during a sabbatical that launched her creative output.

Her work includes textiles, etchings and collagraphy, a technique developed by Pablo Picasso where textures are sealed on a canvas, dipped in inks or paints and stamped on a blank canvas, retaining an impression of the original texture while creating new forms.

Rutledge's work presents an array of subjects and style: The stoic bird in her etching

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CURTAIN CALL **Gospel truth**

Riverwalk gets preachy with revival of New Testament musical

By PAUL WOZNIAK

Riverwalk's production of "Godspell" is a faithful adaptation of its source, the Gospel of Matthew

only

Review

"Godspell"

with Broadway Riverwalk Theatre numbers. The 7 p.m. Thursday, June 5; 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June show's transpar-6-7; 2 p.m. Sunday, June 8 ent preaching \$20/\$18 seniors/students/ may not appeal to everyone, but the 228 Museum Drive, Lansing (517) 482-5700; skill and commitiverwalktheatre.com ment of the Riv-

erwalk Theatre's cast and crew guarantee an entertaining evening.

"Godspell" put composer Stephen Schwartz on the map in 1971. Songs like "Day by Day" were radio friendly hits, but the musical's orchestral arrangements seemed dated to modern ears. Riverwalk's produc-

tion avoids that pitfall by staging the 2012 revised version instead, which makes every song sound crisp and new. Add to that a terrific cast led by the charismatic Matt Eldred as Jesus, stellar direction from John Delaney and a tight orchestra conducted by John Dale Smith and suddenly "Godspell" feels timeless.

Eldred's portrayal of Jesus makes "Godspell" work. Benevolent and gentle with a sonorous voice and a quick wit, Eldred embodies the romanticized idea of Jesus from Sunday school stories. In the production's present day setting, Jesus also functions as a theater coach who instructs his disciples to act out his teachings like improvisational sketches. This form works especially well during Act I as a plethora of parables like "The Good Samaritan" and "The Prodigal Son," which are interspersed with politically progressive lessons on universal tolerance and forgiveness. The stories roll seamlessly into one another with near manic momentum.

As singers and dancers, the ensemble's layered harmonies blend beautifully. The cast also excels as soloists, with Eldred and Tigiste Habtemariam standing out in particular. Eldred's finest vocal moments are his final songs expressing pain and sorrow while singing softly in his upper range. But Habtemariam nearly brings down the house with the gospel-infused "Bless the Lord."



Photo courtesy of Luke The cast of 'Godspell," playing through Sunday at Riverwalk Theatre.

Delany's choreography keeps his cast moving through the audience and across the Tim Fox's elaborate set, complete with trapdoors, a small pool and five trampolines. Fox's kinetic lighting design effectively enhances every scene.

For non-churchgoing audiences, the musical's biggest obstacle is the story in Act II which ramps up the drama to full Passion Play. While Act I flies by as biblically-based sketch comedy, Act II accidentally exposes the plot holes of the Gospel that the faithful usually take for granted. For example: Why would a devout disciple betray his beloved leader and friend? Jealously? Cowardice?

How about, "because it was prophesized."

Despite the lack of character motivation explored in the dialogue, the cast somehow makes these scenes resonate emotionally, even over the boom of fireworks: The cast demonstrated extraordinary resolve Friday night while speaking over the clamor of post-game festivities at nearby Cooley Law School Stadium for nearly five minutes (be warned, the Lansing Lugntus play at home again this Friday).

Ultimately, appreciating "Godspell" requires accepting it as a faith-based musical. Fortunately Riverwalk's quality production only requires an admission ticket.

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ful is because my parents have always had really high quality products in what they've done," Smith said. "Having so many experiences, not only playing, but just being around them is what makes me a good musician. From really early on until now, I've been around probably every production they've put on."

In addition to working on his doctorate, he's also teaching a class at U of M and the band at Plymouth-Canton High School. He manages to do all this and still be able to hop on a plane whenever "Aladdin" summons him — at least most of the time.

"I just had to turn down the Wednesday matinee for 'Aladdin' because I

committed to this show in Lansing," Smith said. "At first it sounded strange to turn it down, but a commitment's a commitment, no matter what production I'm doing."

That "show in Lansing" is playing for his father in the Riverwalk Theatre's production of "Godspell" (see review, above). What kind of a person chooses to perform in Lansing than in the pit on Broadway?

"We joked that he really lowered himself down to be playing community theater," John Dale Smith said.

After his time at school is up, Smith is looking for even more ways to spread his talent.

"The future is great because as of right now I don't know what's going to happen," he said. "For a freelance musician, if you're bored, it means you're not working."

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"Bandit," with its rough lines and tight form; the loose brushwork of the stark black and white tigers inspired by her time in India.

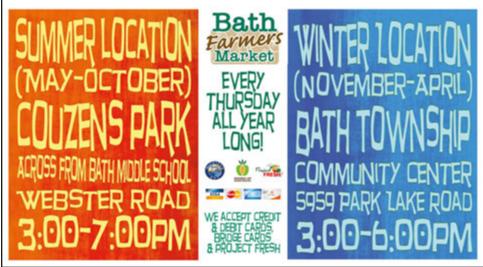
"The style just seems to change with the subject I take on," Rutledge said. "Who knows where they all come from?"

Arguably, what makes something art is its subjective quality — the bounds of art's definition will always have to be challenged by creatives trying to get their work recognized. Rutledge, however, has a more humble aspiration.

"The joy of making art is the most important thing to me," she confessed. "The pleasure of the act is why I do it."







Fine dining

Jon Favreau returns to form with cutting comedy

Who pissed in Jon Favreau's bisque? The writer/ director/ actor seethes through his role in "Chef" as a man whose life is thrown into turmoil after he abandons his integrity in a critcal career crossroads moment and pays for it. He's so obsessed with work that he's destroyed his marriage, he's lost his girlish figure and he's become an inattentive father.

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This guy's got some serious angst.

In "Chef," Favreau is Carl Casper, an L.A. nouveau chef who bows to his boss' pressure and sticks with the old menu one night to appease a food blogger rather than unveil the avant-garde menu he'd created. Casper is then savaged in on online reaming that goes viral, he unintentionally fuels a Twitter war (really) and it all culminates in a cathartic meltdown in the middle of a busy restaurant. Which also goes viral. Meme-checking and reality cooking shows references abound. Yes, this is a distinctly second-decade-of-the-millenium film.

But "Chef" is a perfect metaphor for the filmmaker's career, as well. After first flashing his creative genius with 1995's "Swingers," Favreau moved from indie fare ("Made") into the mainstream ("Elf," "Zathura") before striking gold with "Iron Man," the first truly great superhero film, a perfect blend of action, intelligent plot and crackling dialogue.

But then the sequel, "Iron Man 2," was criticized as being too uneven and his scifi Western mishmash "Cowboys & Aliens" bombed at the box office. Favreau was ac-



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(From left) John Leguizamo, Bobby Cannavale and Jon Favreau in "Chef," set in the Los Angeles restaurant world. Favreau wrote, directed and stars in the comedy.

cused of playing it safe, of possibly losing his touch. And it seems he took that harsh criticism to heart.

Whatever it is that lit a fire under him, he's back in form. "Chef" has a heart, wit and vibrant humor, stocked with engaging characters who talk to each other the way real grownups talk. You know these people - well, less beautiful versions of them, at least.

"Iron Man 2" vets Scarlett Johansson and "Robert Downey Jr. provide support as Casper's confidante and his waggish frienemy, respectively. Sofia Va-Va-Vergera plays the smoldering-exwith-a-heart-of-gold who goads him to be more hands-on with his son, played by impressive young actor Emjay Anthony.



Dustin Hoffman turns in a short, punchy performance that spurs Casper into action. And John Leguiziamo pulls off another masterful sidekick role that would have disappeared by any less of an actor.

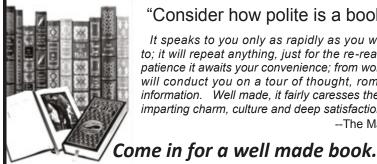
And the food — oh, that food. To power through his blues, Casper vents through cooking, and the dishes are incredible looking. It's hard to describe the allure of watching someone cook, but a scene where Casper prepares a pasta dish from scratch as an act of seduction that was better than any sex scene this film could have had.

An inordinate amount of time is spent on the Twittersphere complete with onscreen animations displaying screen readouts. It's slightly less boring than watching someone text, but the blue bird flying off with the Tweet was a nice touch.

For realsies though, I spend enough time on my smart phone, it's not fun to watch people in the movies constantly playing with theirs.

I like to think that "Chef" is Favreau's clever way of lashing back at his haters. Flashy L.A. bistro or Cuban sandwich food truck, he seems to be saying, I can still knock your socks off.

"Chef" plays at NCG Cinemas-Lansing, 2500 Showtime Drive, Lansing Township, inside the Eastwood Towne Center. (517) 316-9100, ncgmovies.com/lansing.



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fter a successful eight years, the Old Town Farmers Market quadruples down this week by switching from a monthly event to a weekly one. On Friday, the market will move from the parking lot of Sir Pizza Grand Café to the southeast corner of Grand River Avenue and Center Street, just west of the Old Town General Store. In 2006, it was started by the Old Town Commercial Association as a way of bringing fresh produce into a neighborhood that didn't have a grocery store. Louise Gradwohl, executive director of the Old Town Commercial Association, and Rhea Van Atta, owner of the Old Town General Store, are collaborating on the market.

"We're a lot more organized this year, and we have products to cater to the clientele around here," Gradwohl said. "It was a great move to bring a strong market to the neighborhood and provide it on a weekly basis."

Gradwohl said Van Atta handpicked the dozen or so vendors who will work the market every week. Products available are seasonal produce, eggs, baked goods, prepared foods like eggrolls, jams, specialty butters, flowers, compost and crafty items.

"I wanted to do something with local farmers and a market because I didn't think once a month was working." Van Atta said. "But I didn't want to do my own because that doesn't work with the community sense."

Van Atta said she is responsible for having contacts with the farmers and artists, while Gradwohl handles the administrative portion of the market.

"I think it's going to be a wonderful collaboration," Van Atta said.

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3-7 p.m. Thursdays, May-October 13751 Main St., Bath

(517) 712-2171, bathtownship.us

Vendors: Hickory Knoll Farms Creamery, Jato's Produce, Howell Honey, Laughing Crane Farm, Ten Hens Farm, Alicia's Authentic Mexican Cuisine, Apple Barrel Cider Mill, JW Kettle Corn, Samia's Mediterranean, Spagnuolo's Chocolate Fudge and Ice Cream, Looking Glass Nursery, Grammies Goodies, Aunt Bee's Cakes, Mama C's Gourmet Sauces. (S, B, DU, WIC, MF)

CHARLOTTE **FARMERS MARKET**

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8 a.m.-noon Saturdays, June-October 100 block of Harris Street, Charlotte (517) 543-2681 (WIC)

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4-7 p.m. Thursdays, June-September (opens June 19) 1050 Dakin Street at M-36,

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(517) 676-1791, dansvillefarmersmarket. weebly.com

Vendors: Bunkerhill Bee Farm Craft Apiary, K.A.R.S. Creations (breads and pastries), Fresh Starts, Geneis Sugarbush (maple syrup), Warner Farm

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DIMONDALE FARMERS MARKET

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3-7 p.m. Thursdays, June-September 136 N. Bridge St., Dimondale

(517) 646-0230, villageofdimondale.org/ pages/farmersmarket

Vendors: Bailey Road Pumpkins, Big Daddy's Big Dawg's, Roger Carpenter, Clark Sugarbush, Fred's Jerky Products, G-Naturals, Hillcrest Farms, JW Kettle Corn, Laura's Outrageous Granola, Lu's Dessert Breads, MC Farms, Mike's Village Restaurant, Nightingale Family Farms, Ofilia's El Burrito, Shabluk Farms, Vang's Dynasty, Wesenberg Produce, Willow Blossom Farms, Wooden Shoe Herb Farm (WIC)

EAST LANSING FARMERS MARKET \mathbf{P}

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, June-October Valley Court Park, East Lansing (517) 319-6888, cityofeastlansing.com/ farmersmarket

Vendors: Detroit Frankie's Wood Fire Brick Oven, Droscha Sugarbush (maple syrup), Fresh Lake Whitefish Co. (Michigan-caught fish and fish products), Glory Bee Sweet Treats, Hickory Knoll Farms Creamery, The



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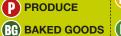
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Local Epicurean (organic small batch pastas), Lonesome Pines Beef Farm, Spoonful of Granola, Spartan Country Meats (chicken, turkey, rabbits and Hereford pigs) (S, B, DU)

EATON RAPIDS COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET

9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays 200 block of Hall Street, Eaton Rapids (517) 663-8118, ci.eaton-rapids.mi.us/ park_market

EATON RAPIDS MEDICAL CENTER FARMERS MARKET

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3-6:30 p.m. Fridays, May-October 1500 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids (517) 663-9453, eatonrapidsmedicalcenter.org Vendors: Wooden Shoe Herb Farm (plants and products), Clark Sugarbush, JW Kettle Korn, El Burrito (S, B, DU, WIC, MF)

FARMERS MARKETS AT THE CAPITOL

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10 a.m.-3 p.m. July 31, Aug. 28 and Sept. 25 East Lawn of the Capitol, Lansing mifma.org/farmers-markets-at-the-capitol (S, B, DU, WIC, MF)

GRAND LEDGE FARMERS MARKET 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, May-October

Bridge Street Plaza, Grand Ledge (517) 643-1849, glfarm.org (WIC)

HARTLAND FARMERS MARKET P M C BG F M

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, May-October 9525 E. Highland Road, Howell

(810) 632-1030

HOLT FARMERS MARKET

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9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, May-November 2150 S. Cedar St., Holt

(517) 268-0024, holtfarmersmarket.org Vendors: Grammies Goodies, Big Daddy's Big Dawgs, Carol's Cards, Cupcakes with Love, Saint Tart Patisserie (authentic French pastries), The Golumbki Gal (S, B, DU, WIC, MF)

HOWELL FARMERS MARKET

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MASON AREA FARMERS MARKET 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, July-October 100 block of Maple Street, Mason (517) 676-4175

MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP FARMERS MARKET

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8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, May-June; 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesdays & Saturdays, July-October

5151 Marsh Road, Okemos (517) 712-2395, meridian.mi.us (S, B, DU, WIC, MF)

OLD TOWN FARMERS MARKET P O D M C 06 (6 F

3-7 p.m. Fridays June-October Corner of Grand River Avenue & Center Street, Lansina (517) 485-4283







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4-7 p.m. Fridays, May-October 125 S. Clinton St., Stockbridge (517) 851-7437, facebook.com/openairmarketofstockbridge

PECKHAM FARMS MARKET



Noon-6 p.m. Wednesdays; 8:30 a.m.-noon Saturdays, May-October 5408 W. Grand River Ave., Lansing peckhamfarms.org

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET PDB F

8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, June-October Old Red Mill on Water Street, Portland (517) 647- 6777

SOUTH LANSING FARMERS MARKET



3-7 p.m. Thursdays, June-October 1905 W. Mt. Hope Ave., Lansing (517) 374-5700, southlansing.org Vendors: Khoua's Produce, Full Circle Ranch (goats, poultry, free range eggs), Notting Thistle, Soap Sisters (S, B WIC, DU, MF)

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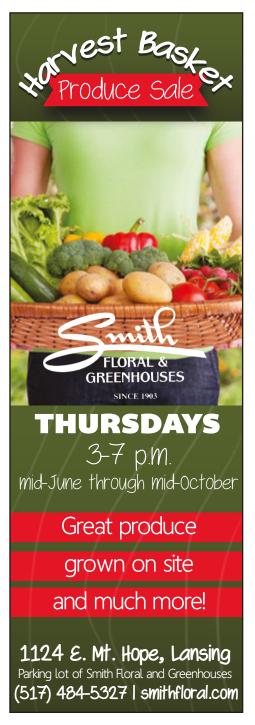
3-7 p.m. Mondays, June - October (opens June 23)

740 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Lansing (517) 230-7878, nwlansing.org (B, S, WIC, DU, MF)

WILLIAMSTON FARMERS MARKET

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10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May-October McCormick Park, Williamston (517) 719-6193, williamston-mi.us/farmmarket.html (S, B, WIC, MF)









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

Together... Let's Jam. Music therapy class for all ages. 6:30-7:30 p.m. \$5/CADSA members FREE. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661, cms.msu.edu. Religious Freedom Gay Marriage. Discussion. 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.

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.

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.

Comedy Night. 9 p.m. FREE. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-5287.

MUSIC

Lansing Symphony FREE Pops. Featuring the music of the '60s. 7 p.m. FREE/\$30 VIP. Adado Riverfront Park, 531 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. (517) 487-5001, lansingsymphony.org.

The Saturday Glant. One-man art-rock band from Ohio. 10 p.m. Crunchy's Pizza & Burgers, 254 W. Grand River Ave., East Lansing. (517) 351-2506. thesaturdaygiant.com.

And who better to line up the sights

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TUESDAY, JUNE 10-SUNDAY, JUNE 15 'BOOK OF MORMON' AT WHARTON

The lesson we learned this spring is that you can never underestimate public appetite for religiosity-soaked

entertainment. The success of the Bible-thumpy films "Heaven is for Real," "God's Not Dead" and "Son of God" — and the backlash

against the visionary "Noah" for not being "biblical enough" — proves that a healthy segment of the population will pay to be preached to. God help us all.

If a solid push of satire was ever needed to equilibrate the piety/blasphemy balance in pop culture, now is the time. And as if on cue, across the Wharton stage comes leaping the envelope-pushing Broadway megasmash "The Book of Mormon," which takes square aim at religion.

than the team behind the aggressively controversial "South Park" and the frenetically racy puppet show/musical "Avenue Q." Since premiering in New York in 2011, the show has received nearly universal acclaim. Even if it has caused a few pearls to be clutched.

"The Book of Mormon" is about two naïve young Mormon missionaries who encounter a brutal warlord while on assignment in a remote village in northern Uganda. There, for the first time, they see war, poverty and AIDS. But trust me, it's funny!

Writers Trey Parker and Matt Stone had spoofed Mormonism before, on their animated TV show "South Park" and in their live action porno parody "Orgazmo." Apparently growing up in

Colorado makes you resent the

LDS. They teamed up with "Avenue Q" lyricist Robert Lopez to create this seemingly perfect storm of irresistible offense. The show racked up nine Emmys, including best musical, and spawned a soundtrack that went to No. 3

on Billboard and won a Grammy for best musical theater album.

This is "The Book of Mormon"'s second

national tour and its first trip through East Lansing. (This tour will also include a stop through Salt Lake City. That ought to be fun.) Alas, with great excitement comes great demand, and nearly every show is sold out. As of Tuesday, only a few single tickets were available for the matinee shows.

But fret not, heathens. Wharton is following Broadway's lead and enacting

a lottery ticket policy for each show. Every night, two \$25 tickets will be put up for grabs two-and-a-half hours before each show; everyone who

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"The Book of Mormon"

Wharton Center Cobb Great Hall 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 10-Thursday, June 12; 8 p.m. Friday, June 14; 2 p.m. Saturday, June 14; 1 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Sunday, June 15 \$38-\$150 (all evening shows sold out, single seats only for matinees; pre-show lottery in place) (800) WHARTON, whartoncenter.com

shows up will be entered in a drawing, two hours before every show.

And if the offensiveness swings a little too hard in the opposite direction and you feel you need another good soul scrubbing, you'll be pleased to learn that "Exodus," starring Christian Bale as a sexy Moses, will be in theaters this Christmas.

-Allan Ross

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A SURVEY OF LANSING'S
MUSICAL LANDSCAPE
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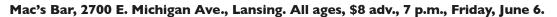


PUMPSTOCK FESTIVAL

Bailey Park, 300 Bailey St., East Lansing. \$10, Saturday, June 7.

For the last five years, East Lansing's Bailey neighborhood residents Geraldine and Dudley "Smitty" Smith have been booking Americana acts at the Orchard Street Pump House, 368 Orchard St. In 2010 they branched out and organized the first PumpStock, an annual roots-driven festival. This year the outdoor concert happens Saturday, June 7, at Bailey Park and features the Jerry Sprague Band, Lansing Unionized Vaudeville Spectacle, Don Julin & Billy Strings, Drew Nelson & Drew Howard and Harper & Midwest Kind. Attendees are urged to bring lawn chairs and blankets. There will also be jugglers, face painters and a second stage featuring local musicians Matching Bricks, Jackalope and The Cindy McElroy Trio.

THE MS80 AT MAC'S BAR



Local indie-rock band The MS80 releases its first full-length album, "Not Triumphantly But Somehow," Friday at Mac's Bar. It's a follow-up to "Retrogression Pending," a four-track EP. The band formed in Okemos in 2012, and members claim influences including Manchester Orchestra and Arctic Monkeys. The MS80's first gig was opening for Way to Fall and Lights & Caves last August. Since then, the group has played gigs across Lansing and Grand Rapids. The band is Matthew Shaw (vocals/guitar), Aaron Dunn (guitar) Henry Potter (drums) and bassist Jack McKay. They started recording their new 10-song disc over the winter at Park 58 Recording. Opening the Mac's Bar show are local indie bands Squirrel Shaped Fish, Tidal and Matching Bricks.



CAPITAL CITY CHAOS AT ULI'S HAUS OF ROCK

Uli's Haus of Rock, 4519 S. Martin Luther King Blvd., Lansing. 18+, \$10, 5 p.m., Saturday, June 7

The fifth annual Capital City Chaos at Uli's Haus of Rock features a roster of Michigan-based heavy metal bands, including All Ends Black, Speedgod, Reign in Bedlam, After The Minor, Inebriated, From Blue to Gray, Betray the Prophets, Stereotype and Dead Hour Noise. Adam Ray, vocalist of All Ends Black, started the one-day metal showcase. "I wanted to bring metal bands from all around Michigan to one big party to play and have a great time," Ray said. "I like to bring in all different types of metal, so you just don't hear the same kind band over and over. This year I brought in some newcomers to the local scene and mixed in some veteran metal bands, too."



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WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave Comedy Night, 9 p.m. Lindsey Lough, 8 p.m. Service Industry Night, 6 p.m. The Starving Arts, 7 p.m. Coach's Pub & Grill, 6201 Bishop Rd. DJ Trivia, 8 p.m. DJ Jimmy, 9 p.m. Updraft, 9 p.m. Colonial Bar, 3425 S. MLK Blvd. DJ, 9 p.m. Killshot, 9 p.m. Killshot, 9 p.m. Crunchy's, 254 W. Grand River Ave. The Saturday Giant, 10 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. Karaoke, 9 p.m. Skoryoke Live Band Karaoke, 8 p.m. The Exchange, 314 E. Michigan Ave. Blue Wednesday, 8 p.m. Grand Café/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave. Kathy Ford Band, 7:30 p.m. Karaoke, 7 p.m. Ladies Night, 8 p.m. Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave. Johnny D Jam, 8 p.m. Jonestown Crows, 8:30 p.m. Mix Pack, 9 p.m. Starfarm, 9:30 p.m. Gus's Bar, 2321 W. Michigan Ave Open Mic w/Hot Mess, 9 p.m. Karaoke Wax Poetic, 9 p.m. The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave. Freeway, 9 p.m. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave. Damn Van Cannibals, 9 p.m. Ms80, 7 p.m. Cutthroat Drifters, 9 p.m. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave. The Hoopties, 9:30 p.m. Second Nature, 9:30 p.m. Lincoln County Process, 10 p.m. Tin Can West, 644 Migaldi Ln. Waterpong, 11 p.m. Tin Can DeWitt, 13175 Schavey Rd. DJ Trivia, 8 p.m. Frog & the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m. Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave. Velocity Shift, 8:30 p.m Velocity Shift, 8:30 p.m. The 89th Key, 6 p.m. Waterfront Bar & Grill, 325 City Market Drive Pat Zelenka, 6 p.m. Velocity Shift, 6 p.m. The 89th Key, 7 p.m. Whiskey Barrel Saloon, 410 S. Clippert St. DJ, 9 p.m. DJ, 9 p.m. DJ, 9 p.m.

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

To get listed just email us at liveandlocal@lansingcitypulse.com or call (517) 999-6710

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.



Thursday-Saturday, June 12-14, 2014 GrandAmericanFishRodeo.com Adado Riverfront Park • Lansing, MI

Something fishy is going on in downtown Lansing! Come down to Adado Riverfront Park June 12-14 for the Grand American Fish Rodeo. You can enter to win thousands in prizes: fishing contests, boat races, boat parade, fashion show, writing contest and more! Kick back and relax with live ethnic music acts during the day and country bands at night, or take a ride on the river to see Lansing by water. Get hooked and register for competitions today at GrandAmericanFishRodeo.com.

MORE THAN \$5,000 IN PRIZES! ENTER TO COMPETE.

50% OFF ADVANCE ONLINE REGISTRATION. SPACE IS LIMITED.

Partners for Fish & Wildlife FISHING TOURNAMENT

Hardcore anglers will compete in a two-day fishing tournament on the banks of the Grand River!

PRIZES (awarded in each of the four categories listed to the right)

1st prize: 1 full-day, 4-person Great Lakes salmon charter, with Captain Mark McClutchey aboard Diabolical

2nd prize: 1 full-day, 2-person Manistee or Pere Marquette River float trip for trout or salmon,

guided by Schmidt Outfitters

3rd prize: \$200 gift card to Cabela's

CATEGORIES:

Cool Creel (most fish): Sponsored by Northwinds Heating & Cooling

The Big Haul (total overall weight): Sponsored by Stevens Worldwide Van Lines

The Big Kahuna (biggest fish): Sponsored by Sam Eyde Management

The Spice of Life (most diverse species): Sponsored by Spicer Group

"DECKED OUT" FASHION SHOW

Let your fishnet fashion-sense fly! Creatives will incorporate fish netting into their fashion designs showcased on stage at the Grand American Fish Rodeo.

PRIZE (Sponsored by Okemos Modeling)

First place: \$500 cash award and a 2-hour consultation with Robere Lett of Hautis Magazine & Nadia Sellers, CEO of Okemos Modeling (\$250 value) and chance to present line at Fashion Fest in September 2014

FISH TATTOO CONTEST

Got some fishy ink to show off? Join in the inaugural Grand American Fish Rodeo Fish Tattoo Contest.

Awards will be given to winners in the following 5 categories (sponsored by Preuss Pets)

Most Memorable: The most unique and inspirational story will take home a \$100 gift card to Old Town Lansing

Best Maritime Tattoo: 2 gift cards*

Best Freshwater Fish/Invertebrate: 2 gift cards*
Best Saltwater Fish/Invertebrate: 2 gift cards*

Best Fish Scenery: 2 gift cards*

*\$25 to Preuss Pets and \$25 to Old Town Lansing



A celebration of Michigan waterways & a chance to be a little weird.



CANOE & KAYAK RACE

Get ready to jump in and race! Don't have a boat of your own? The Grand Fish has you covered with canoe and kayaks on-site for rent.

PRIZES

1st Place: \$500 2nd Place: \$200 3rd Place: \$100

RUBBER DUCK DERBY

Hundreds of rubber ducks will race down the Grand River in the Grand American Fish Rodeo Duck Derby. The first rubber duck to cross the finish line is the winner!

PRIZES

1st Place: \$500 2nd Place: \$200 3rd Place: \$100

WRITING CONTEST: POETRY & TALL TALES

Submit an original piece of poetry or fiction! Write a poem that references fish or water or create a tall tale in our liar's contest.

PRIZES

1st Place: \$500 2nd Place: \$200 3rd Place: \$100

BOAT PARADE

Watch as lighted boats travel down the Grand in style!

PRIZES

1st Place: \$500 2nd Place: \$200 3rd Place: \$100

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

4-6 p.m.: Kick-Off & Happy Hour 4-11 p.m.: Watering Hole (beer tent) open

6-7 p.m.: [MUSIC] Dial Dixie 7 p.m.: "Decked Out" Fashion Show

8-10 p.m.: [MUSIC] Kris Hitchcock & Small Town Son

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

Noon-7 p.m.: Education Tent

Noon-11 p.m.: Watering Hole (beer tent) open

4-8 p.m.: Fishing Competition

4:30-5 p.m.: Line Dancing Performance & Lessons

6-10 p.m.: Bucking Bass (mechanical bull) 6-7:30 p.m.: [MUSIC] North Country Flyers 8-10 p.m.: [MUSIC] Annabelle Road

10 p.m.: Boat Parade

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

8 a.m.-12 p.m.: Fishing Competition 10 a.m.-6 p.m.: Education Tent

Noon-4:30 p.m.: [FREE MUSIC] Ethnic Entertainment featuring Silvovitz, Bridges to Choro, Fantasia Ballet Folklorico, Wisaal, and Elden Kelly

Noon-3 p.m.: Fish Tattoo Contest

Noon-11 p.m.: Watering Hole (beer tent) open

2 p.m.: Rubber Duck Derby 3:30 p.m.: Canoe & Kayak Race 4-8 p.m.: Bucking Bass (mechanical bull)

4:30 p.m.: Awards Ceremony

6:15-7:30 p.m.: [MUSIC] Midnight Cattle Callers

8-10 p.m.: [MUSIC] Clare Dunn

5-6 p.m.: [MUSIC] Bitter Creek

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Thursday, June 5 **CLASSES AND SEMINARS**

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. MSU Beal Botanical Garden Tour. Assistant curator leads tour through the gardens. 12:10 p.m. FREE. MSU Library, MSU Campus, 366 W. Circle Drive, East Lansing. (517) 884-0901. lib.msu.edu.

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

Preschool Science Exploration. Hands-on science exploration for preschoolers. 12:30-2 p.m. \$4. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866, meridian.mi.us.

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

Tree, Shrubs and Perennial Care. Home improvement class. email bruce@glhc.org. 6 p.m. FREE. Neighborhood Empowerment Center, 600 W. Maple St., Lansing. (517) 372-5980, glhc.org.

Intro To Speakers. Differences between speakers. 6 p.m. \$30/\$10 members. 1200 E. Michigan Ave., East Lansing. (517) 420-1873. thinklivemusic.com.

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

Jonesin' Crossword

By Matt Jones

"Flippin' Digital"-wow, will you look at the time? Matt Jones

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THURSDAY, JUNE 5 >> CHRIS CLARK FELLOWSHIP WORKSHOP

Lansing native Chris Clark was a local DJ, easily recognizable by his trademark fedora. When he died in 2009 at the age of 29, the creative community rallied to create the Chris Clark Fellowship. The fellowship provides access to professional development opportunities and resources through cash grant reimbursement of up to \$1.500 for local artists. Through its SmArts program, the Arts Council of Great Lansing will host a workshop to give applicants technical assistance and answer questions about applying. 4-6 p.m. MICA Gallery, 1210 Turner St., Lansing. FREE. (517) 372-4636, lansingarts.org.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5 >> GREEK NIGHT AT CORAL GABLES

For one night, longstanding East Lansing restaurant Coral Gables will transform itself into a bustling Greek restaurant with the sounds of "Opa!" in the air and lemon and olives soaked into authentic Mediterranean meals. Diners can choose from a menu featuring Greek specialties and cuisine. Just don't go to crazy on the Ouzo. 4-10 p.m. Coral Gables Restaurant, 2838 E. Grand River Ave. East Lansing. Reservations recommended. (517) 337-1311.

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. Capital Area Audubon Society. Ice cream social and nature slides. 7 p.m. FREE. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224,

TNL! Courthouse Concert Series. Thursday Night Live! Courthouse Concert Series. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Courthouse, 341 S. Jefferson St., Mason. (517) 676-1046.

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Lincoln County Process. Live performance. 10 p.m. FREE. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing.

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) 374-5555.

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.

Velocity Shift. Live music on the patio. 7-11 p.m., Waterfront Bar and Grille, 325 City Market Drive.

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"Godspell." A modern twist on the Gospel of St. Matthew. 7 p.m. \$20/\$18 students and seniors. Riverwalk Theatre, 228 Museum Drive, Lansing. (517) 482-5700, riverwalktheatre.com.

Friday, June 6 **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.

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.

MUSIC

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

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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.

Singles TGIF Patio Bash. Weekly singles patio party with fun and dancing. 8 p.m.-Midnight, \$12. Hawk Hollow Banquet Center, 15101 S. Chandler Rd., Bath. (517) 281-6272. SinglesTGIF.com.

Hoopties. Live Performance. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-5287.

Velocity Shift. Live performance. 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-9910.

THEATER

"Godspell." (See details Thursday, June 5.) 8 p.m. \$20/\$18 students and seniors. Riverwalk Theatre, 228 Museum Drive, Lansing. (517) 482-5700, riverwalktheatre.com.

Saturday, June 7 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Nature Story Hour. Nature story for 4-6 year old kids at Fenner. 1-2 p.m. FREE/Donation. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224, mynaturecenter.org.

Small Fruit Production. Small fruits and more. 12:30-2 p.m. \$10 Donation. Hunter Park Community GardenHouse, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3910. allenneighborhoodcenter.org.

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.

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. Heal Your Gut Workshop Part II. Health seminar. 10 a.m.-noon. \$40. Mindful Movement & Physical Therapy, 2740 E. Lansing Drive, East Lansing. (517) 853-9139, mindfulmovement.biz.

Natural Accents Workshop. Enhance your decor. 1-2 p.m. \$25/\$20 members. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224, mynaturecenter.org.

Babysitting Workshop. Learn areas important for watching children. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$30. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E Jefferson St., Grand Ledge.

Meditation
Quan Am Buddhist Temple
Every Thursday 7-8:30 p.m.
1840 N. College Rd., Mason, MI 48854
Everyone welcome - For information:
Call: (517) 347-1655 or (517) 853-1675
quanamtemple.org

(517) 627-7014, grandledge.lib.mi.us.

EVENTS

Mayor's Family Riverwalk. Three mile walk starting at Potter Park Zoo. 8:30 a.m. FREE. Potter Park Zoo, 1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-6074, potterparkzoo.org.

Karaoke. With Atomic D. 9 p.m. LeRoy's Classic Bar & Grill, 1526 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 482-0184. East Lansing Relay For Life. 24-hour event to fight cancer. Superhero themed. 11 a.m. FREE. East Lansing High School, 509 Burcham Drive, East Lansing. (517) 664-1404. ow.ly/xrFPh.

English Country Dance. Dances taught. Live music. No experience needed. 2-5 p.m. \$10/\$7 students. Central United Methodist Church, 215 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 321-3070.

Volunteer Stream Monitoring. Monitor the health of the Red Cedar Watershed. 8 a.m.-noon, FREE. Biggie Munn Park, Aurelius and Jolly Road, Lansing. (517) 292-3078. tinyurl.com/msxoo7p.

MUSIC

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

Youth Choir Auditions. Choir members wanted for Community Music School. noon-3 p.m. FREE. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661. cms.msu.edu.

Deacon Earl. Live blues, reggae and more. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460, lansingcitymarket.com.

Lansing Drum Circle. event updates and info on Facebook at Lansing Drum Circle. 3 p.m., FREE. Old Town, Grand River Ave. and Turner St., Lansing. (989) 413-3848. iloveoldtown.org.

Second Nature. Live performance. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-5287.

Velocity Shift. Live performance. 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-9910.

THEATER

"Godspell." (See details Thursday, June 5.) 8 p.m. \$20/\$18 students and seniors. Riverwalk Theatre, 228 Museum Drive, Lansing. (517) 482-5700. riverwalktheatre.com.

Sunday, June 8 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Spiritual Talk, Pure Meditation and Silent Prayer. 10 a.m. FREE. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 7187 Drumheller Road, Bath. (517) 641-6201, selfrealizationcentremichigan.org. Juggling. Learn how to juggle. 2-4 p.m. FREE.



SUNDAY JUNE 8, 22 & 29 >> THE MICHIGAN DJ OLYMPICS

Three nights of electronic/hip hop blending features DJs from across Michigan competing in what co-founder Patrick Duke calls "the Decathlon of DJing." Beginning Sunday, four DJs per night will compete for the highest score in creativity, mixology, turntablism and crowd control. On June 29, the final round includes the three highest scoring DJs and one wild card comepetitor. Each competition will be opened by the ImprovHA!HA! comedy game show, featuring local comedic talent. \$5. 8 p.m. House of Eden Rock, 205 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 507-1575, facebook.com/michigandjolympics.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6 >> WINE DOWN FRIDAY

After a long week, a nice glass of wine and friends is sometimes all you need. Located at the Crown Plaza on Lansing's west side, Bordeaux-Wine Food Spirits gives oenophiles a way to wind down with its weekly Wine Down Fridays event. The meet-up is held in the restaurant's intimate Cork Room, which stores 70 labels of wine. Attendees will get a choice of two white and two red wines to sample from and learn about. Made to order hors d'oeuvres will be included. 5:30-7:30 p.m. \$15. Bordeaux-Wine Food Spirits (located inside the Crown Plaza Lansing West), 925 S. Creyts Road, Lansing. Reservations recommended. (517) 323-4190, ttravis@bordeauxlansing.com.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11 >> JOHN TWO-HAWKS AT THE GRAND LEDGE HISTORIC OPERA HOUSE

Grammy- and Emmy-nominated musician and multi-instrumentalist John Two-Hawks performs at the Grand Ledge Historic Opera House. Known for his talent on the flute as well as his composing, he has been featured on programs on HBO and the History Channel. Blending the genres of world, folk and New Age, his fusion music projects have sold over a million copies. \$12. 7 p.m. Grand Ledge Historic Opera House, 121 S. Bridge St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-1443, gloperahouse.com.

Orchard Street Pumphouse, 368 Orchard St., East Lansing. (517) 371-5119, ruetenik@gmail.com. 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.

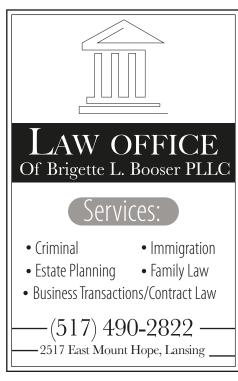
SK Fun at Hawk Island Park. Family friendly walk/run event. 8 a.m. \$10. Hawk Island County Park, E. Cavanaugh Road, Lansing. (517) 410-9395.

Family Fun in the Park. Family comedy and magic revue. 4-5 p.m. FREE. Sharp Park, 1401 Elmwood Road, Lansing. (517) 323-8555. deltami.gov/parks.

East Lansing Farmer's Market. Offers organic produce, meat, cheese and bread. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Ct. East Lansing. (517)

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319-6888. cityofeastlansing.com.

Rotary Club Pancakes in the Park. Community fundraising event. 7 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$5/kids under 5 FREE. Patriarche Park, 1100 Alton St., East Lansing. (517) 242-7355. eastlansingrotaryclub.com.

THEATER

"Godspell." (See details Thursday, June 5.) 2 p.m. \$20/\$18 students and seniors. Riverwalk Theatre, 228 Museum Drive, Lansing. (517) 482-5700, riverwalktheatre.com.

Monday, June 9 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.

RicStar Music Therapy Camp. For all ages with special needs. 9-3 p.m. \$195 full day/\$100 half day. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661. cms.msu.edu.

LCS Summer Camps. Call 517-882-5779 for more information. Lansing Christian School, 3405 Belle Chase Way, Lansing. (517) 882-5779 ext. 126.lansingchristianschool.org.

EVENTS

Monday Morning Movie. Popcorn and a movie. Call for title. 10:30 a.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

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.

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TALLULAH'S FOLLY/MIDTOWN BREWING CO./THE STATE ROOM

Alexa McCarthy/City Pulse
David Gregware,
owner/operator
of Tallulah's Folly
in Old Town,
announced he will
close his flower and
vintage shop at the
beginning of July.



By ALLAN I. ROSS

A little less than four years after opening, eclectic Old Town flower and vintage shop **Tallulah's Folly** will close for good in early July. Owner David Gregware made the decision last week,

but didn't make it official until Tuesday. "It's bittersweet, but it's

something I need to do," Gregware said. "I'm moving forward with different opportunities. Gregware owned Bloomin'dale's, a north Lansing floral flower and gift shop from 2002-'10. He said he decided to focus on local products, which prompted his move to Old Town. Although he started off with local food items, he said he scaled back on those to focus on the vintage items sales after the **Old Town General Store** opened last year.

The building was originally a garage, but when Gregware moved in August 2010, he converted the driveway into a courtyard, renovated the pavement and installed a sales desk, flower coolers and windows. He estimates he invested about \$10,000 to transform the space.

"When I started, I didn't have a lot of money to hire contract labor, so this place was built by volunteers, sweat and tears," Gregware said. "People I didn't even know helped me build this. Everyone wanted to see everyone succeed. I suddenly had a lot of friends, a lot of love. That's going to be the part I miss the most."

"I'd been friends with Old Town people for some time," Gregware said. "I was very active with the neighborhood and devoted a lot of time to promoting Old Town."

To spur sales, he's already started offering 20 percent off on all merchandise, with gradually increasing discounts throughout June.

"For now, I'm living by (the saying) 'don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened," Gregware said. "I think that about sums it up."

Patio season

Two local restaurants debuted new outdoor dining areas this week, allowing customers to soak up every last bit of sun.

"We wanted to be able to offer a unique dining experience," said Lenore Quiroga, executive assistant for the **Kellogg Center** about the **State Room's** new Thursday evening patio. "It's a really pretty area outside there, so it made sense to maximize use of that space."

The State Room patio, which can accommodate will only exist for five hours a week, 5-10 p.m. Thursdays.

The new patio at downtown Lansing's **Midtown Brewing Co.**, however, is open full time and even has a cool name: the Midtown Beer Garden.

"It was a long and arduous process (coordinating the details), but I couldn't be happier with the result," said general manager Marc Wolbert. "Plant Professionals did a beautiful job designing and building it. It looks great."

The patio is about 400 square feet and can seat about 35 people. And after a winter like this last one, who wants to go inside if the day is nice?

Tallulah's Folly

1220 Turner St., Lansing 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday (517) 485-4166, facebook. com/tallulahsfolly

Midtown Brewing Co.

402 S. Washington Square, Lansing 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight Friday-Saturday (517) 977-1349, midtownbrewingco.com

The State Room

55 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing Patio: 5-10 p.m. Thursdays through fall. Restaurant hours: 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday (517) 432-5049, kelloggcenter. com

131 E Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-7014. grandledge.lib.mi.us.

Post-Polio Support Group. Meeting. 1:30 p.m. FREE, donations welcome. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 339-1039. pilgrimUCC.com.

MUSIC

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

Tuesday, June 10 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Coupon Swap. Share coupons and strategies. 6-7:45 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext.

4, dtdl.org.

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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.

Summer Energy Saving Tips. Home maintenance and repair classes. 6 p.m. FREE. Neighborhood Empowerment Center, 600 W. Maple St., Lansing. (517) 372-5980. glhc.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.

Meals on Wheels Golf Outing. 26th annual golf outing for charity. 8 a.m. \$600 per foursome. Walnut Hills Country Club, 2874 Lake Lansing Road, East Lansing. (517) 887-1377. tcoa.org/events.html.

Learn to Network Like a Pro. Hands-on workshop. Call to register. 6-7:45 p.m. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Intro to Rites of Passage and Vision Quest. Support healing and evolution. 7-9 p.m. 2520 Devonshire Ave., Lansing. (517) 552-3990, brian@visionquestmi.com.

THEATER

"The Book of Mormon." Award-winning musical comedy. Tickets from \$38. Wharton Center, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 432-2000. whartoncenter.com.

Wednesday, June 11 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Medicaid Enrollment. Learn more about expanded Medicaid and Healthcare. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

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

Myth of Redemptive Violence. Discussion. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434, PilgrimUCC.com.

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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.

GLPA Membership Meeting. Great Lakes Paralegals Association first meeting. 6 p.m. FREE. GreenStone Federal Credit Union, 3515 West Road, East Lansing. glpa-michigan.org.

MUSIC

Concert in the Park. Motown themed concert. 7 p.m. FREE. Ranney Park, Michigan Ave. at Morgan Lane, Lansing. (517) 483-4277, lansingmi.gov/attractions.

Pat Zelenka. Four hours of classic rock and soul, all acoustic. 6 p.m. FREE. Waterfront Bar and Grille, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. waterfrontlansing.com.

John Two-Hawks Concert. Native American Flute music concert, 7 p.m. \$15/\$12 advance. Grand Ledge Opera House, 121 S. Bridge St., Grand Ledge. (888) 790-9091, johntwohawks.com.

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Free Will Astrology By Rob Brezsny

June 4-10

ARIES ARIES (March 21-April 19): "We are born with whirlwinds, forest fires, and comets inside us," writes novelist Robert R. McCammon. "We are born able to sing to birds and read the clouds and see our destiny in grains of sand. But then we get the magic educated right out of our souls. We get it churched out, spanked out, washed out, and combed out. We get put on the straight and narrow path and told to be responsible." That's the bad news, Aries. But now here's the good news: The next 12 months will offer you a series of excellent opportunities to re-magic yourself. If you have not yet caught wind of the first invitation, I bet you will soon.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): "When given a choice between owning an object and having an experience," says art critic Holland Cotter, "I always choose the experience." He prefers to spend his money on adventures that transform his sense of self and his understanding of the world. I recommend that approach to you in the coming weeks, Taurus. The most valuable "possessions" you can acquire will be the lessons you learn, the skills you hone, and the relationships you ripen.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): In Marcel Proust's novel *Swann's Way*, the narrator speaks of how profoundly he is inspired by an older writer named Bergotte: "Each time he talked about something whose beauty had until then been hidden from me, about pine forests, about hail, about Notre-Dame Cathedral... with one image he would make that beauty explode into me." I bring this to your attention, Gemini, because in the coming days I suspect a great deal of beauty will explode into you. Why? I think it's because you're more receptive than usual to being delighted and enchanted. The triggers could be anything: exciting people, eavesdropped conversations, good books, surprising music, and who knows what else?

CANCER (June 21-July 22): "Little horses cannot carry great riders." So says a Haitian proverb. Now, in accordance with the astrological omens, I'm urging you to meditate on its meaning for your life. Here are four possible interpretations: 1. Are you a "little horse" trying to carry a "great rider" who's too much for you? 2. Are you a little horse that could grow into a bigger, stronger horse worthy of a great rider? 3. Are you a "great rider" who is in need of a horse that is big and strong enough to serve your big, strong ambitions? 4. Would you like to be a "great rider," but you can't be one as long as you have a horse that is too small and weak?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Declare victory, Leo. Even if victory is not quite won yet. Even if your success is imperfect and still a bit messy around the edges. Raise your arms up in elated triumph and shout, "I am the purified champion! I am the righteous conqueror! I have outsmarted my adversaries and outmaneuvered my obstacles, and now I am ready to claim my rightful rewards!" Do this even if you're not 100-percent confident, even if there is still some scraping or clawing ahead of you. Celebrate your growing mastery. Congratulate yourself for how far you've come. In this way, you will summon what's needed to complete your mission and achieve final, total victory.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Give special attention to what will last the longest. That's my main recommendation for you in the coming weeks. Devote less of your energy to transitory pleasures and short-term hopes. Turn away from the small obsessions that demand far too much of your energy. Withdraw from the seemingly pressing concerns that will soon start to fade because they really aren't that important. Instead, Virgo, devote your love and intelligence to the joys and dilemmas that will animate your life well into the future. Express reverence and care for the mysteries that will teach you and teach you and teach you for years to come.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): My favorite bridge in the world is the Golden Gate Bridge. In the hundreds of times I have driven on it over San Francisco Bay, it has

never let me down. I've always gotten from one side to the other without any problem. In addition to its reliability, it uplifts me with its grandeur and beauty. What's your most beloved bridge, Libra? I suggest that in the coming weeks you make it your lucky charm, your magical symbol. Why? Because the next chapter of your life story requires you to make a major crossing. You will traverse a great divide. Having your favorite bridge as a shining beacon in your imagination will inspire your strength and courage as you travel.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): U2's Bono has called Leonard Cohen's song "Hallelujah" "the most perfect song in the world." It is mournful and triumphant, despairing and uplifting. It's a riddle that improbably offers cathartic release. Over 300 recording artists have done cover versions of it, and it has even been the subject of books. And vet it was a challenge for Cohen to compose. He wrote more than 80 verses before choosing the few he would actually include in the final version, and in one famous session he resorted to banging his head on the floor to stimulate his creative flow. "To find that urgent song," he said, took "a lot of work and a lot of sweat." I nominate "Hallelujah" to be one of your sacred symbols for the next 12 months, Scorpio. From your strenuous effort, I predict, will come masterful creations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Let me outline the breakthroughs I hope to see for you in the coming months. First, what is pretty good about you will not interfere with what is potentially great about you, but will instead cooperate with it and boost it. Second, your past accomplishments won't hold back your progress; you will not be tempted to rely on them at the expense of your future accomplishments. And third, the brave ideas that have motivated you so well won't devolve into staid old dogmas; you will either renew and reinvigorate them or else move on to a new set of brave ideas.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): If you are in even moderate alignment with cosmic rhythms during the next 12 months, you will be a connoisseur and master of recycling. I'm speaking metaphorically here. What I hope is that you will reanimate worn-out inspirations and convert faded dreams into shiny new fantasies. You will find ways to revive alliances that went off track. A once-vibrant shtick or trick that lost its cool could be retrieved from the ash heap of history and turned into a fresh, hot asset. Gear yourself up for some entertaining resurrections.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): I wish I could tell you that your power animal this month is the eagle or dolphin or panther. Having a glamorous creature like that as your ally might boost your confidence and charisma. To be paired with one of them might even activate dormant reserves of your animal intelligence. But I can't in good conscience authorize such an honor. That's not what the astrological omens are suggesting. In fact, your power animal this June is the bunny rabbit. Please understand that there is no shame in this. On the contrary. You should be charmed and appreciative. It signifies that you will be fertile, fast, a bit tricky, and very cute. (To read an essay on the mythology of the rabbit as trickster, go here: http://tinyurl.com/rabbittrickster.)

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The Buddhist meditation teacher Chogyam Trungpa said that one of the best ways to become fearless is to cultivate tenderness. As you expand your heart's capacity to feel compassionate affection for the world, you have less and less to be afraid of. That's the opposite of the conventional wisdom, which says you become brave by toughening up, by reinforcing your psychic armor. Of all the signs of the zodiac, you Pisceans are best set up to benefit from Trungpa's method -- now even more than usual.

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Festivals for

Summer is nigh, and that means celebrations of fermented juice will soon be in full swing across all regions of Michigan. In fact, some have already started. The Michigan Beer & Brat Festival over Memorial Day weekend showcased the growing vitality of the Great Lake State's beverage



producers. New Michigan wineries, cideries, meaderies and breweries continue to sprout up, boasting some awesome and creative beverages at the festivals.

The 2014 Beer & Brat event added eight breweries and two additional hard cider producers to last year's lineup. A bevy of custom bratwurst creators, perfect weather, fabulous music and a 20 percent increase in attendance made for a lively segue into summer. This could be a harbinger of great things to come for both producers and festivalgoers this summer and fall.

Tastes from the Beer & Brat fest suggest that visitors to the Sleeping Bear Dunes region will want to stop at the new Stormcloud Brewery in downtown Frankfort.

So what's on tap for the summer? By regions, below is a sampling of some of the bigger events. The next several months will be overloaded with great festival opportunities.

MID-MICHIGAN June 7 – Jackson

beerweek.com

Art, Beer and Wine Festival experiencejackson.com/calendar/event/7374 June 20–28 – Lansing

Lansing Beer Week Fun, educational and charitable events all week. *lansing*-

Summer Solstice Wine Release Party Perhaps not as well known or

June 21 and 22 - Pioneer Wine Trail

established as some other Michigan wine trails, the Pioneer Wine Trail is the closest to mid-Michigan. This event provides a great introduction to regional mid-Michigan wines.

July 19 - Battle Creek

Corks for Conservation Binder Park Zoo binderparkzooonline.org/programs/ corks_tix.php

August 9-10 – Pioneer Wine Trail

The Wine Days of Summer Tour of Southern and mid-Michigan wineries. *pioneerwinetrail.com*

NORTHWEST MICHIGAN June 14 – Leland

Leland Wine & Food Festival Attend this event and you'll understand why it has been attracting thousands for 29 years. Live music by Soul Patch and an idyllic harbor side setting. lelandmi.com/events/wine-food-festival

June 21 - Traverse City

Traverse City Wine and Art Festival This four-in-one festival is not to be missed. Featuring seven musical acts (including Lansing's own Phil Denny) on two stages, 30 Grand Traverse region wineries, a cidery, more than 40 artists in a juried art show and an array of local gourmet cuisine. Tickets sell out, so advance purchase is recommended. traversecitywinefestival.com

June 21 - Glen Arbor

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June 28 - Harbor Springs

Waterfront Wine Festival harborspringschamber.com/waterfront-winefestival-267/

July 5-12 - Traverse City

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July 19 – Suttons Bay

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Aug. 16 – Ludington

Suds on the Shore sudsontheshore.com Aug. 22-23 - Traverse City

Traverse City Summer Microbrew & Music Festival The older sibling to the local version, which debuted in downtown Lansing in April. *microbrewandmusic*. *com/traverse-city-summer*

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN June 21 - Bridgeman

Lake Michigan Shore Wine Festival lakemichiganshorewinetrail.com/events June 21 – St. Joseph

Summer Solstice Music and Microbrews smso.org/Music_Microbrews/ MMB_14.html

Aug. 8-9 – New Buffalo

New Buffalo Ship & Shore Festival newbuffalo.org/event

Sept. 12-14 - Grand Haven

Grand Haven Salmon Festival Don't be misled by the name. This event includes local cuisine, wine, beer, ciders and an art fair. *ghsalmonfest.com*

SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN July 25 - Detroit

Wild Beasts, Wild Wine at the

Detroit Zoo detroitzoo.org/events/wild-beasts-wild-wine

July 25-26 - Ypsilanti

2014 Summer Beer Festival *mibeer. com/summer-festival*

Aug. 29-September 1 - Royal Oak Arts, Beats & Eats artsbeatseats.com

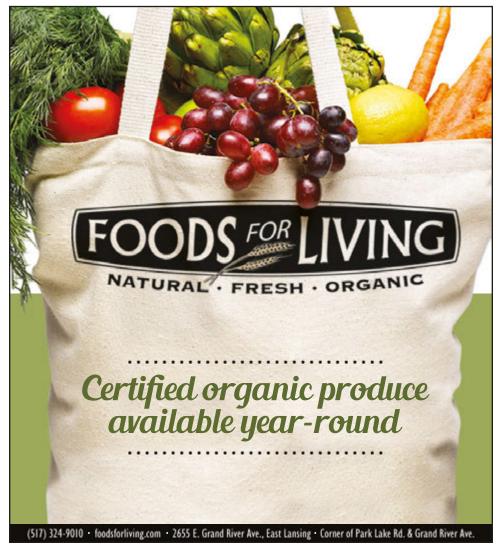
NORTHEAST MICHIGAN July 19 – Harrisville

Sunrise Side Wine and Food Festival michigan.org/events/sunrise-side-wine-and-food-festival.

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