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(The writer, JoAnn Forsberg, is the wife of Dennis Forsberg and the mother of Lance Forsberg, both convicted of federal marijuana charges.)

As “naïve flawed” humans who attempted to follow law we desire to:

“Speak up to help others, for the whole federal process is heart-wrenching and destructive.”

We hold no grudges toward federal workers; federal laws are the problem. A tug-of-war exists between the states and the federal government. This is a civil rights issue, for the question is: Does a community-state have rights to form laws in America as long as the law has no victim, no malice and no intent to harm? Or, does the federal government have full say over the desires of its citizens?

The setting for this “perfect storm,” as Judge Neff called it, was: the real estate market crashing, an empty warehouse building, the 2008 passage of medical marijuana, daily phone calls from caregivers not wanting to grow cannabis in their home. Every measure was taken to be legal.

Regarding money projections and legal papers drafted: All projected amounts of money for plants were for purchase by their own patient or dispensary. Legal papers are a common practice to have clarity through written documents.

In Michigan law, citizens have the right to recoup the cost for set-up for grow rooms. Any money earned after that is taxable. So Dennis Forsberg sought tax ID numbers from the state and federal government stating it was for an LLC that would grow cannabis.

These legally drafted documents and the tax ID are why the DEA labeled Dennis a “drug leader” and are sending him to prison. When a prosecutor has no other means, the word “conspiracy to commit a crime” is used to indict and convict individuals.

Through devastation we have learned much about the federal system. Before we had no need to understand the federal stance on cannabis; we learned the hard way their

view. The government spends close to \$1 billion a year to warn Americans that cigarette smoking is bad for your health. Yet, not one cent is spent to inform Americans about the DEA stance on cannabis. As clear as this is to those in the DEA, it is not nor was it clear to us as citizens.

Once you have been raided, indicted and headed toward sentencing and prison, you learn the meaning of the words “mandatory-minimums” and “snitch.” For currently there is no mandatory “safety valve” for first-time offenders. So, to receive a lighter sentence, the prosecutor wants a person to snitch on another fellow American to get a lighter or pardoned sentence. Clearly, a broken system.

In stopping cannabis the DEA should begin at the state level of regulations and licensing. Why caregivers/growers?

In America, federal courtrooms have a 95 percent conviction rate. How can that be a fair balance of justice?

Why is a defendant not allowed to show evidence of legal attempts? Not one word of state evidence is allowed in federal court. Yet, the federal court is supposed to be the representation of all the states as a whole; not a separate entity. Americans are not told we have the right to “nullification”: to set a person free if they believe the law is unjust that a defendant is indicted under.

Court recorded statements by two federal judges in Dennis Forsberg’s case:

Judge Carmody: **“I think this conflict within the law has been somewhat disastrous in Michigan. And you, Mr. Forsberg, got caught in the middle of it.”**

Judge Neff: **“This is certainly an atypical drug case. No weapons, no violence and no intent for street sales. It was a calculated risk ... in light of how terribly flawed Michigan law is regarding medical marijuana. And it has only gotten more flawed and more difficult in light of our current attorney general, who in my view further made it difficult for the ‘will of the people’ in passing this Act, flawed as it is to carry it out!”**

Judge Neff: As Judge Carmody pointed out: **“Circumstances just presented themselves which is kind of a “PERFECT STORM FOR ALL OF YOU.”**

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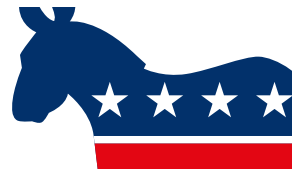
1. Federal Marijuana definition see: Marijuana TITLE 21-CHAPTER 13-SUBCHAPTER 1-PART A-SEC. 802. There are three types of cannabis: Sativa, Indica and Raderalis. Only Sativa is mentioned in federal law. Indica is the cannabis grown by caregivers in north.

2. Watch video from Lansing Online Radio: Bonnie Bucqueroux video with horticulturist Lance Forsberg at: <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/3311607>

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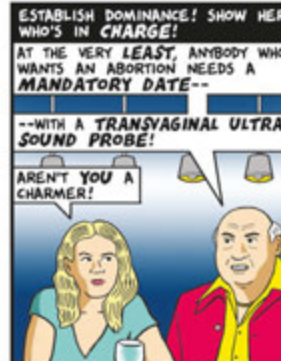
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4th Ward candidates Chong-Anna Canfora, Bert Carrier Jr., Larry Hutchinson and Jessica Yorke



THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW



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FILE NO.
13-001964-GA

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NEWS & OPINION

Votes and the veto

In a City Council race with veto implications, how do 4th Ward voters perceive Councilwoman Jessica Yorko's support of the mayor?

The city's budget battle this year was not won by compromise between the Lansing City Council and Mayor Virg Bernero. Bernero got his way by veto-

For more on the City Council and mayor's race, please see City Pulse's Primary Election Preview Issue on July 31. For a "City Pulse Newsmakers" interview with 4th Ward candidates, please see lansingcitypulse.com.

ing all of the amendments the Council had made to his budget. But if City Council elections this year don't go the way he wants, Bernero could well lose his ability to govern by veto, throwing much of the control over the city's direction to the faction led by City Council President Carol Wood. Bernero and Wood, who ran against him for mayor four years ago, are frequently at odds.

In the 4th Ward, where one of Bernero's backers on the Council, Jessica Yorko, is up for re-election, a small sampling of voters indicates they are not concerned about her allegiance to the mayor. Indeed, many applaud her for it.

That's despite efforts by one of Yorko's opponents, Chong-Anna Canfora, to make an issue of the incumbent's support for the mayor.

"I've definitely gotten the sense from talking with residents that they want their 4th Ward advocate to be a check and a balance to the administration," Canfora said Sunday on "City Pulse Newsmakers." "I have heard from resi-

dents that strongly feel like they have not been represented at Council for the past three and a half years."

Besides Canfora, who has significant union support, Yorko faces two contenders in the Aug. 6 primary election: lawyer Bert Carrier Jr. and Larry Hutchinson.

Yorko is one of three votes on the eight-member Council that the mayor can usually count on to sustain a veto, which requires six out of eight Council members to stop. The others are both up for re-election this year as well: At-large Councilwoman Kathie Dunbar and 2nd Ward Councilwoman Tina Houghton.

Lansing City Clerk Chris Swope believes the 4th Ward election "is probably the most contested" race and expects a large number of 4th Ward voters to show up at the primary polls. The 4th Ward encompasses the northwest corner of the city, continuing through downtown and just south of Mount Hope Avenue.

City Pulse talked to 10 randomly selected likely 4th Ward voters, asking them, among other things, how they viewed Yorko's stance with the mayor and if it would affect their decision.

Seven voters said they either supported or didn't have an issue with Yorko's

port of the mayor is a good thing — it's one of the reasons she's voting for Yorko.

"Is she a supporter of the things he's done? Absolutely," Alling said. "That's why I support her, because I support him. The things he's done are not always perfect, it's not always done the best way, but he's got the right vision for the city. I think on most things they share a similar view of things and how we need to get there."

On the opposite end is 47-year-old Dennis Dershem, who is also lives in the Westside Neighborhood. Dershem said he won't vote for Yorko because of her support of the mayor. Dershem was the only undecided voter who had an issue with Yorko's stance with Bernero.

"I'm quite furious with (Bernero), and her support of him bothers me quite a bit," he said. He went on to blame the city's financial troubles on the mayor's handling of city employee pensions and objected to the way he "guttled" the city's golf courses.

But even for undecided voters like Walnut Neighborhood resident Paul Deslauriers, 52, who has issues with Bernero, Yorko's support of him isn't an issue that will affect his vote.

"I'm not the biggest Mayor Bernero fan," he said. "But (her support) is not a big deal to me because I think you can be aligned with someone and disagree with them."

Deslauriers said his biggest concern is how the candidates think the Niowave Inc. pole barn "fiasco" in his neighborhood should be handled.

Although she thinks the split between the Wood and Bernero factions on the Council cause problems sometimes, undecided voter Claire Turner, 62, won't be holding it against Yorko when deciding how to vote. Turner resides near Delta River Drive and Grand River Avenue.

"I don't have a problem with it because



Photo Illustration by Rachel Harper/City Pulse

(From left) Incumbent Councilwoman Jessica Yorko and challengers Chong-Anna Canfora and Bert Carrier Jr. appeared on "City Pulse Newsmakers" to discuss important issues in the upcoming 4th Ward City Council election. Both Canfora and Carrier believe Mayor Virg Bernero has too much control over the city's budget, while Yorko thinks there's a good balance between him and the Council.

allegiance to the mayor. Only three said they had a problem with it. Three said they support Yorko, while two said they would probably vote for Canfora. The other five were undecided. None of the people interviewed knew anything about Carrier or Hutchinson. The seven women and three men ranged in age from 46 to 81; all of them said they would vote in the August primary.

For 59-year-old Marcie Alling, a Westside Neighborhood resident, Yorko's sup-



Property: 1800 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing
Owner: Hilde Wright
Assessed Value: \$33,100

Michigan Avenue wasn't always a business district. If you look closely, you'll see that many of those commercial buildings look like a lot like houses. And with good reason: that's how many of them started out.

Some have block-style storefronts covering what used to be entryways with welcome mats, while others are simply houses turned into offices (including the City Pulse office). However, after spending some time taking in the cascading bushes and the wide expanse of lawn of the olive-green stucco house at 1800 E. Michigan Ave. it's easy to imagine the residential neighborhood that once was.

Hilde Wright lives in the upstairs of the building and rents the bottom half out for office space. Wright said her family has lived in the house "since before World War II." She said her father-in-law had the lower portion turned into offices in 1954, and they have stayed that way ever since.

"I'm an old lady, and I like old houses," she said. "That's why it hasn't changed much."

Wright said there's a certain beauty that comes along with the old architecture that can't be found in newer houses, which is why her focus is on the adjacent three lots of lawn and flower gardens. With trees and bushes all around the property, she does her best to "keep the ugly streets, wires and (electrical) poles out."

By the looks of it, she's doing a pretty good job.

—Kali Jo Wolkow

"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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
EAST LANSING CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given of the following public hearing to be held by the East Lansing City Council on **Tuesday, August 6, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.**, Council Chambers, 101 Linden Street, to consider the following:

A public hearing will be held to consider Ordinance 1302; a City initiated ordinance to amend Sections 8-181 and 8-182 of Division 1 – Generally – of Article IV – Restaurants and Take-Out Stores – of Chapter 8 – Businesses – and to amend Section 50-8 of Article I – in General – and Section 50-94 of Division 3 – Special Use Permits – of Article II – Administration and Enforcement – of Chapter 50 – Zoning of the Code of the City of East Lansing (restaurants serving alcohol after midnight).

The City of East Lansing will provide reasonable accommodations, such as interpreters for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at this meeting, upon notice to the City of East Lansing, prior to the meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodations or services should write or call the City Manager's Office, 410 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI 48823 (517) 319-6920, TDD 1-800-649-3777.

Marie E. McKenna
City Clerk

CITY OF LANSING
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Z-1-2013, 5950 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Rezoning from "E-2" Local Shopping District to "F" Commercial District

The Lansing City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 12, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 10th Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI, to consider Z-1-2013. This is a request by Cars are Us, LLC to rezone the property at 5950 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, legally described as:

LOTS 10 & 11 WEBSTER FARM SUBDIVISION NO 1, CITY OF LANSING, MI

from "E-2" Local Shopping District to "F" Commercial District. The purpose of the rezoning is to permit an automobile sales business on the subject property.

For more information about this case, phone City Council Offices on City business days, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 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, August 12, 2013, at the City Clerk's Office, Ninth Floor, City Hall, 124 West Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48933.

Chris Swope, City Clerk

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The City Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Council Chambers on the 10th Floor of City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, Michigan 48933 on JULY 29, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. to review, prior to confirmation, said assessment roll, and consider any complaints or objections that there may be with respect to this improvement or the assessment.

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I agree with his politics," she said.

Jodie Grzadzinski, 58, who lives on Jension Avenue in the northwest corner of the city, said she will likely vote for Canfora. But it's not because of Yorko's support of Bernero, which she said she "can live with." She said she's unhappy with Yorko because of her support of the new bike lane on Saginaw Street. She believes it shouldn't be on a high traffic road.

"It just seemed like it would be better back in the neighborhoods where it would be more pleasant and safer for the riders," she said.

On "City Pulse Newsmakers," Carrier also beat the drum for his independence from Bernero, while not necessarily disagreeing with him on all fronts. He sided with the mayor, for example, on the pole barn issue in the Genesee neighborhood. Both have said the jobs that Niowave, which built the

massive structure that neighbors object to, are more important.

But on the budget issue, Carrier agreed with Canfora. "I think the control of the budget needs to be in the hands of the City Council and not the executive branch," he said.

Addressing both Canfora and Carrier, Yorko said there was ample opportunity for the Council to add amendments to the budget. Moreover, she said there have been multiple areas where she has disagreed with the mayor. She said the mayor has dropped efforts when he finds out he lacks support from even his backers on the Council, such as her.

Yorko publicly disagreed with a key piece to Bernero's agenda — the proposed casino downtown.

"I disagreed with the location, I disagreed with the refusal to implement a smoke free policy, and I don't think there was adequate protection in there for helping people with gambling addiction," she said. "I couldn't get the things I was negotiating for that people of the 4th Ward told me they needed to see and so I didn't support it."

—Sam Ingot


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The rest of the ticket

Why do we need a primary election, or state party conventions? Twelve months before either major party officially picks its candidates for state office, it looks the November 2014 ballot is just about set. And several of the candidates haven't even announced for office yet.



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The GOP ticket is Gov. Rick Snyder, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson and Attorney General/Governor in Waiting Bill Schuette. They are all all seeking reelection.

For Democrats, the desire to avoid an expensive and divisive primary — plus a reluctance on the part of potential candidates to spend most of the next year raising campaign money — has left the party's gubernatorial nomination in the hands of Mark Schauer. A handful of party activists are trying to gin up a primary challenge to Schauer, but about the only one taking this seriously is a political columnist who may be worried about a lack of a horse race to provide column fodder.

The same seems to be the case in the party's "contests" for attorney general and secretary of state. It's just about over before it has begun.

Gretchen Whitmer appears more and more ready to leave elective politics, at least for now, so she can spend more time with her soon-to-be-teenage daughters. With her not running, the nominee will be MSU law Professor Mark Totten. Totten is articulate, well qualified, and has put together a solid campaign team.

Jocelyn Benson, the 2010 secretary of

state candidate who is an election law expert serving as acting dean of Wayne State University's law school, is a near-lock for a second run, although Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum would love to be the nominee.

What little excitement remains for the next few months will likely center around one decision: whom will Schauer pick for lieutenant governor?

History, and political pragmatism, point to pairing Schauer with a woman, preferably from vote-rich southeast Michigan (Schauer is from Battle Creek).

Over the last two decades, Democrats have nominated Martha Griffiths, Olivia Maynard, Debbie Stabenow and — most recently — Brenda Lawrence for #2. The only election since 1978 in which both of the top two Democrats were men was in 1998, when Geoffrey Fieger selected little-known state Rep. James Agee. They got 37 percent of the vote.

That makes former state Rep. Lisa Brown, who is the Oakland County clerk/register of deeds, an obvious choice. She won her current job in vote-rich Oakland County by beating an incumbent Republican. She would energize women statewide who remember her run-in with House Speaker Jase Bolger in the infamous "Vagina-gate" censorship. That was when Bolger officially banned her from speaking on the House floor by Speaker Bolger after she dared to discuss female anatomy during a debate on women's medical rights. The incident sparked a massive state Capitol protest and made Brown an instant national political star.

Another part of the equation, though, is a desire for an ethnically diverse ticket. That makes things a little more challenging be-

cause Totten and Benson are both white.

Southfield Mayor Lawrence, an African-American, could run again. It's likely you don't remember, but she was Virg Bernero's running mate in 2010. They ended up with 39 percent of the votes.

State Rep. Rashida Tlaib, D-Detroit, a first-generation Palestinian-American, is well liked, has a strong legislative record and is respected by party insiders. As only the second Muslim woman in America to serve in a state Legislature, her selection could be high-risk but high-reward. The fact that she won in a legislative district that is only 2 percent Arab-American, supporters say, is a testimony to her broad-based appeal. (The only other Palestinian-American ever elected to the Michigan House, U.S. Rep. Justin Amash, could end up on the Republican ticket as the U.S. Senate candidate. Unlike Tlaib, Amash is a Christian.)

As I see it, Schauer can go four ways.

The odds-on favorite: pick Brown, then use the party's statewide undercard (candidates for Supreme Court and/or state education boards) to create a more ethnically diverse slate.

Option two: throw the dice and go with Tlaib.

Option three: bring in a major name with big-business credentials. Debbie Dingell and Denise Illitch jump out.

Option four: play it safe with a low-visibility, low-risk public official like Lawrence or state legislator (to me, the least likely scenario).

Regardless of which road he follows, it's a good bet that Schauer's choice 1) will be a she and/or an ethnic minority, and 2) will be from southeast Michigan. And he doesn't have to make up his mind until August 2014.

PUBLIC NOTICES

CITY OF EAST LANSING

ORDINANCE NO. 1301

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 38-37 OF DIVISION 1 - GENERALLY - OF ARTICLE II - STREETS - OF CHAPTER 38 - STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES - OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST LANSING.

THE CITY OF EAST LANSING ORDAINS:

Section 38-37 of Division 1 of Article II of Chapter 38 of the Code of the City of East Lansing is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 38-37. - Permit for street obstructions and block parties.

No person shall occupy any street with any materials or machinery incidental to the construction, demolition, or repair of any building adjacent to said street, or for any other purpose, including block parties, without first obtaining a permit from the building official and/or city engineer and posting any cash deposit as may be required by ordinance or resolution and without first filing any required insurance policy pursuant to section 38-34. Block party permits shall not be approved by the city engineer unless there is compliance with the policy resolution guidelines adopted by City Council.

Marie E. McKenna
City Clerk

CITY OF LANSING
ADOPTED ORDINANCE #2570
ORDINANCE # 2570

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LANSING, MICHIGAN, PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF A PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LANSING, MICHIGAN AND FOR THE REVISION OF THE DISTRICT MAPS ADOPTED BY SECTION 1246.02 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

The City of Lansing ordains:

Section 1. That the district maps adopted by and incorporated as Section 1246.02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan be amended to provide as follows:

To change the zoning classification of the property described as follows:

Case Number: Z-5-2012

Address: 600 E. Michigan Avenue

Parcel Number: PPN: 33-01-01-16-428-081

Legal Descriptions: West 18 feet Lot 13, also Lots 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 Connards Subdivision of Lot 1 Block 242, City of Lansing, Ingham County, State of Michigan, from "H" Light Industrial District to "G-1" Business District.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance was duly adopted by the Lansing City Council on June 17, 2013, and a copy is available in the office of the Lansing City Clerk, 9th Floor, City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon the expiration of seven (7) days from the date this notice of adoption is published in a newspaper of general circulation.

CHRIS SWOPE, LANSING CITY CLERK

CITY OF EAST LANSING

ORDINANCE NO. 1303

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 26-66 OF DIVISION 2 - DISORDERLY CONDUCT - OF CHAPTER 26 - OFFENSES - OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST LANSING TO PROHIBIT THE IGNITION, DISCHARGE AND USE OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS BETWEEN 1:00 A.M. AND 8:00 A.M. ON THE HOLIDAYS AND THE DAYS SURROUNDING THEM.

THE CITY OF EAST LANSING ORDAINS:

Section 26-66 of Division 2 of Chapter 26 of the Code of the City of East Lansing is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26-66. - Consumer fireworks:

- (a) No person shall ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks except on the day preceding, the day of, or the day after a national holiday.
- (b) No person shall ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. the day preceding, the day of, or the day after a national holiday.
- (c) For purposes of this section, "consumer fireworks" means fireworks devices that are designed to produce visible effects by combustion that are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA standard 87-1 3.1.2, 3.1.3 or 3.5. Consumer fireworks does not include ground and handheld sparkling devices as that phrase is defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8 and 3.5. APA standard 87-1 refers to the 2001 APA standard 87-1, standard for construction and approval for transportation of fireworks, novelties, and theatrical pyrotechnics published by the American Pyrotechnics Association of Bethesda, Maryland.
- (d) A violation of this section is a civil infraction with a maximum fine of \$500.00 for each violation. Each consumer firework discharged in violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

Marie E. McKenna
City Clerk

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DROWNING IN FEAR

Alina Poroshina's art backstrokes through disaster

By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

Uneasy immersion into a dangerous world: That's the theme of a deeply personal exhibition of oil paintings on display at the Lansing Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame through July 27. Lansing artist Alina Poroshina steeps the large-scale "water paintings" of her exhibit, "Of Fears and Memory," in lush and dire imagery.

In "Beneath the Surface," a woman (modeled after the artist's hairdresser) floats among vaguely threatening coral polyps. She seems to be cooing with affection at the indifferent tentacles.

"Her husband, the father of her kids, threw a knife at her," Poroshina explained. "I'm sure she loved him at some point."

Women float serenely as they brush past monstrous eels, needle coral or obscenely gaping ornamental goldfish. Their eyes are closed, but it's not clear whether they are experiencing ecstasy or fear.

"Of Fears and Memory"

Paintings by Alina Poroshina
Michigan Women's Historical
Center and Hall of Fame
213 W. Malcolm X St., Lansing
Through July 27
Noon-4 p.m. Wednesday -
Saturday
FREE
(517) 484-1880
michiganwomenshalloffame.org

"The point of this body of work is to be a woman who hasn't quite found her footing in this world, like me," Poroshina said.

"She's floating. Maybe she's enjoying it, maybe there are hidden dangers."

The "water" series draws from a deep well of symbolism, including the phallic variety, but Poroshina feels it's time for her to move on. The exhibit finds her at a turning point in both subject matter and style, which she describes as

for centuries.

As a child, Poroshina thought it was fun to have 10 or 15 relatives crammed into her family's two-bedroom Moscow apartment. "It was great playing with my cousins, but little did I know that they were escaping with their lives," Poroshina said.

Her family came to Lansing in 1991, placed here by a refugee service. An early painting, "Manhattan Backwash," is set in the bowels of a steamship, perhaps bound for Ellis Island. Although Poroshina hates rats, she painted herself cradling a large rodent in her arms in a deliberate Madonna-and-child pose.

"The rats are the unsavory kind, the unwelcomed," she said.

Contrary to the symbolism of "Manhattan Backwash," Poroshina said she likes Lansing and feels welcome here. She got her undergraduate and graduate degrees at Kendall College in Grand Rapids and moved back to Lansing two years ago after a less than happy stint in New York.

"I stayed almost four years — a little too long," she said. "I was seduced." She found it "impossible to compete" with artists she had learned about in art school, like Chuck Close (known for grotesquely banal realism) and Wolfgang Laib (high-concept art made of pollen). Poroshina's rich colors, dark symbolism and realistic approach — not to mention her passionate empathy with her subjects — don't exactly scream "New York art scene."

Now that she has settled back in Lansing, working in a DeWitt studio upstairs from a glassblower's shop, she has begun to confront her people's history head-on.

In 1915, hundreds of thousands of Armenians were massacred in the waning days of the



horror into a strange and beautiful image of three smiling female faces — heads, to be blunt.

"They're forever tied at the braid," she lamented, before adding a dash of black humor: "I'm sure it's awkward for these angels to fly around."

Forget about generic angel wings — Poroshina can't pass up a chance to add texture to a canvas, literally or symbolically. One seraph has pigeon wings, symbolizing the city, and another has rooster plumage.

"I love roosters," she said. "Chagall used them. It's a Christian symbol." The third seraph has stylized red wings, also adapted from Christian iconography.

In another painting from the same series, a wide-eyed woman frantically tries to finish a tapestry depicting the genocide, looking over her shoulder at the door, before she herself is murdered.

Despite the relative safety of Lansing, the parallel to the artist's new project is unmistakable.

"I find it very strange when people say, 'Get over it, it's 100 years ago, why are you doing this?'" Poroshina said.

When the Lansing show is over, all three genocide paintings are going to Grand Rapids Community College's Collins Gallery. They have also been accepted into the 2013 ArtPrize exhibiton.

Poroshina doesn't read much or watch TV.

"It's time lost from the studio," she explained.

Like the weaver in her painting, she seems to be looking over her shoulder nervously as she works. There's no genocide in sight in the American Midwest, but a vision of impending disaster, when it's least expected, seems to drive her on. She recently returned "Vita," a very large



Courtesy Photos

Lansing artist Alina Poroshina's piece "Seraph" (top) was inspired by the horrors of the 1915 Armenian genocide. Poroshina. (Below) The artist at work.

canvas now hanging at the Lansing show, from an exhibit at Dominguez Hills State University in California, but the painting almost didn't make the trip.

She strapped it to the top of her van, like a mattress, but it got loose, turned into a main-sail on the interstate and ripped away from the straps.

"In the rearview mirror I see my painting slowly fly away from me in the wind," Poroshina said. "Luckily, it got on the side of the highway so no cars were damaged." (That's how big it is.)

The incident was most unnerving because "Vita" is one of Poroshina's embedded self-portraits. "Seeing yourself in the ditch — I didn't like that association one bit," she said.

"I find it very strange when people say, 'Get over it, it's 100 years ago, why are you doing this?'"

ALINA POROSHINA, LANSING ARTIST

"expressive realism."

The show devotes one wall to the first three paintings of Poroshina's next large project, a set of 12 canvases that will mark the 100th anniversary of the Turkish slaughter of Armenians in 1915.

Poroshina, 31, was born in Moscow to an Armenian mother and Russian father. In the late 1980s, as the Soviet regime collapsed, life got ugly for the Armenian minority in the former Soviet republic of Azerbaijan. The Soviet implosion, like the breakup of Yugoslavia, unleashed ethnic hatred that had percolated

Ottoman Empire, marking the 20th century's first mass horror. In fact, the word genocide was coined based on the event. Many sources estimate that 1.5 million were killed, and the Turkish government's refusal to acknowledge the killings is still a gaping political and spiritual wound for Armenians around the world.

"People started to do cruel and unusual things," Poroshina said. "Decapitating Christian girls, braiding their hair together and displaying them as garlands on city walls and the homes of Armenians."

"Seraph," in Poroshina's show, sublimates this

The sample life

Taste of Lansing returns with new bands, more wine and an after party

By KALI JO WOLKOW

Not even the most voracious foodies can say they've eaten at a dozen different restaurants in the span of five hours. But at the Taste of Downtown event this weekend, you can knock 16 local eateries off your to-do list over a casual stroll through downtown Lansing.

"People don't have to travel all over the place to try out the restaurants," said Cathleen Ederly, spokeswoman for Downtown Lansing Inc., which is hosting the event. "They can sample all kinds of foods from downtown in a single block."

For the fourth consecutive year, Lansing's Washington Square will become the stomping ground for the capital area's food, wine and music lovers. You can try shawarma (Aladdin's Express), sushi (Anqi Sushi Express), pie (Grand Traverse Pie Co.) or take a waffle on a walk (Wandering Waffles) all in the same afternoon. Last year, over 750 people attended the event, despite scorching summer highs. Dana

Kromer, promotions committee chairwoman, said this year's attendance may get as high as 900.

In addition to the 16 of downtown's 40-plus restaurants that will have sampling booths, the event will feature over 100 varieties of wine and four bands will play a rainbow of genres. If suds are your thing, there will be classic American beers and handcrafted microbrews on tap.

While adults are tasting wine from all corners of the globe, children's activities will be available to turn this weekend summer afternoon into a creative fun day for kids. At the Jackson National Life Kids Corner, kids of all ages will be invited to participate in activities sponsored by the Downtown Y and Lansing City Market, featuring face painting and an event that will combine geology, biology and art. Seriously.

"(We're) going to teach kids how to make snails out of rocks," Kromer said "They're absolutely adorable."

And what's a party without tunes? The Southpaw Isle Steelband, a steel percussion group, will mellow the crowd with its blend of jazz, classical, samba and calypso rhythms. The metal drums will give way to the classic rock, modern pop, slow jams and funk of cover band Avon Bomb. The third act will be Root Doctor, a blues, R&B and classical soul mix, and wrapping up the festivities will be local cover band, The Squids.

Although the bands, food and activities will be all done by 8 p.m., the revelry won't be quite done yet: For the first time, the Taste of Downtown has an official after



Photo by Tammy Sue Allen Photography

TJ Meisterheim (left) represented Tavern on the Square at last year's Taste of Downtown event. The event is expected to draw up to 900 visitors this year.

party. Located at Downtown's 8-month-old P Squared Wine Bar & Bistro, the after party will continue the party with, of course, more food, wine and music.

"The Taste of Downtown is very wine-oriented," said Paul Bussard, co-owner of P Squared. "We jumped on the bandwagon really early and decided be a sponsor. It's (also) a good way to get more visibility."

With their wine bar smack dab in the middle of the event's location, it would be hard not to notice them. As event attendees for the three previous years, P Squared's co-owners Paul Fox and Bussard have sipped

and sampled their way through the local restaurant scene. And this year, not only will they have a booth, but their food and wine will be served at the after party.

Adult attendees will receive a limited edition Taste of Downtown wine tasting glass, four food tickets and six wine sampling tickets with their ticket.

"This event is showing how downtown is vibrant and full of life with lots of great restaurants," Kromer said. "It is a family oriented place, which is why we always have a couple kids' activities. It captures the spirit of downtown Lansing."

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CURTAIN CALL

'Normal' shines

Peppermint Creek drops the curtain on season with rock musical

By SHAWN PARKER

As the last show of Peppermint Creek's 10th anniversary season, "Next to Normal" is something of an inauspicious finale: It has the pedigree of winning both a Tony and a Pulitzer, yet has little name recognition of a marquee show. But despite its under-the-radar nature, Peppermint Creek delivers a compelling, emotionally stirring performance.

"Next to Normal"

Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.
Through July 20
8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday
\$18/\$13 students and seniors
6025 Curry Lane, Lansing
(517) 927-3016
peppermintcreek.org

is a snapshot of a family moored by tragedy. It peels back the curtain on an average American home to reveal a woman grasping to maintain a tenuous grip on reality and how her family struggles to maintain their own identities in the face of an uncertain future.

The notion of pairing the upbeat with the

somber is nothing new — spoonful of sugar to help the medicine down and all. But if there is one area where "Normal" falters, it's with the music. Despite the confident playing and evocative vocal performances, the songs just aren't that memorable, which is a shame since the lyrics delve extraordinarily deep into the minds of different family members struggling with the effects of mental illness.

In the hands of a lesser company, "Normal" might have been undone by the middling tunes, but under the direction of Chad Badgero, it's still a solid show. A sparsely effective two-level set (even if the adjusting of the house outline scenery didn't accomplish much) allowed actors Sandy Sykes and Matthew Eldred to shine. As the mother, Diana, Sykes delivers a restrained performance, capturing the resigned self-awareness of someone who knows they aren't as they should be. Eldred's depiction of the steadfast father Dan hinges on his paper-thin stoicism, and he conveys a lifetime of pain and sacrifice.

A powerful, poignantly relevant show, Peppermint Creek's take on "Next to Normal" is essential for anyone wanting a truthful glimpse into the painful — yet ultimately hopeful — wake of mental illness.

Just don't expect to be humming on the way out.

FROM BAKED HEART TO TOFU PIEROGIES

Inaugural Capital Area Restaurant Week event highlights cultural role of Lansing eateries

By ALLAN I. ROSS

Before farm-to-table dining was fashionable, before it even had a name, it was simply called “eating.” Fresh food, for most of human history, was hard to come by, and over the ages, advances in agriculture and transportation eased the process somewhat. But it wasn’t until the development of processed food and electric refrigeration following WWII that restaurants, particularly fast food joints, really started to boom.

Do an Internet search of mid-Michigan today and you’ll find over 160 independently owned restaurants between Grand Ledge and Williamston. Throw in fast food, big national chains and pop-up food carts and you’re looking at over 300 dining destinations within a half-hour drive of the Capitol. That’s a lot of grub — we sure have come a long way.

Not so, says Chambre Beauvais, one of the organizers of the Capital Area Restaurant Week, which starts Sunday. He understands that terms like “gastropub” and “artisan cuisine” can be confounding (not to mention expensive) for folks who think upscale dining means ordering a Chicken Cordon Bleu sandwich at Wendy’s.

“Historically, Lansing has been a chain-dominated market, but the tide is turning,” Beauvais said. “Restaurant Week has two goals: Raise money for the Ingham County Food Bank and show people just how many options they have out there. We’ve got our work cut out for us.”

Beauvais got 28 restaurants throughout mid-Michigan on board for the inaugural event, from Finley’s American Grill on Lansing’s west side to Tavern 109 in Williamston, and from the Wrought Iron Grill in Owosso to the English Inn in Eaton Rapids. Each one will unveil specially priced menus next week to entice local diners — or remind them, as the case may be, that you don’t have to eat out just because you’re out of groceries.



See page 14 for a complete list of the 28 restaurants, how it works and what they are offering.

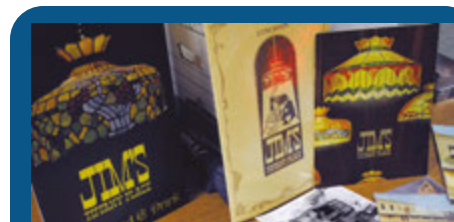
SITTING AT THE GROWN-UPS’ TABLE

The first city on record to have a restaurant week was New York, which started as a lunch-only event in 1992. The concept was simple: Over the course of a week, a group of restaurants would feature three-course meals for either one or two people for a set price. For Lansing’s version, that price is \$25, with eight of the 28 going for the \$25 per couple rate. Usually a food drive charity is tied into the festivities, underscoring how prevalent hunger issues still are in America.

“The irony is, as the upper middle class has experienced growth, the food banks are still as busy as ever,” Beauvais said. “The problems of hunger aren’t going away. This event is just as much for the Food Bank as it is for these restaurants.”

The New York event grew to become a semiannual occurrence that encompassed dinner, and moved around the city, highlighting different areas. In the 21 years since, dozens of major American cities have developed at least one restaurant week, usually planned around traditionally “down” times of the year — that would be the cold months in resort towns, and in the summertime for places like the Lansing area, which revolves around the school year. When Lansing throws its chef’s hat in the ring next week, it will be the 15th city in Michigan to join the growing ranks. It finally gets to sit at the grown-ups’ table.

“I looked around, I saw all these great cities that were having these restaurant weeks that were drawing thousands of people out to restaurants they’d never go to otherwise, and I wondered why the hell we weren’t doing it too,” Beauvais said. “It was maddening.”



Jim's Tiffany Place & Greenhouse Café in downtown Lansing began serving Greek food in 1967, at the suggestion of Michigan State University President Walter Adams. It had Greek-themed events called Zorba’s Nights, which became so popular that Greek food ended up becoming a permanent part of the menu.

Capital Area Restaurant Week menu items will range from specialty soups (Soup Spoon Café has six to choose from), salads and appetizers to signature entrées (Troppo’s cider-braised pork chop, Bulgogi Korean Cuisine’s rib-eye) as well as the atypical — the tofu pierogies at Copper Dine & Drink inside the Walnut Hills Country Club will probably be ordered based on curiosity alone.

Beauvais, 59, was a chef for 25 years, between family duties and higher education aspirations. But he said a Lansing restaurant week was always simmering on one of the



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Soup Spoon Cafe’s chef Jason Blastic (right) made a batch of mushroom soup for a food demonstration at this year’s Common Ground Music Festival.

back burners of his mind. He said he tried to get one off the ground “years ago,” but couldn’t drum up enough interest.

“You know, everyone says they’re too busy, or they don’t think it will work or they don’t have the money right now,” Beauvais said. “Don’t get me wrong, a lot of work went into this, but it’s mostly trial and error, and the mistakes we made are going to streamline the process next time.”

These days Beauvais handles commercial sales at Earthy Delights, a specialty ingredient store in DeWitt that caters to restaurants and budding epicureans around the country. He’s still slinging food, but now it’s just a couple steps away from being on a plate.

“I’ve been out of the restaurant business for a while now, but this is a way I can kind of keep one foot in it,” he said. “It gets in your blood, but I made a promise to my wife that I was done. So I am.”

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But he credits an unlikely source for keeping his bread and butter coming.

"Thank God for the Food Network," Beauvais said. "Having all these cooking shows out there has really opened up Americans to not only trying new kinds of food, but to thinking about all the different ways you can combine styles to create these fascinating dishes. And we've got a lot of interesting chefs working in some kitchens in town that aren't afraid to take chances."

Chef Jason Blastic of Soup Spoon Café was on hand last week to give a cooking demonstration for attendees of the Common Ground Music Festival. He prepared a mushroom chowder using fresh ingredients. As he cut up the potatoes and onions, he described what he was doing as the

summer sun beat down on him in front of the dazed crowd.

"Tell them what you're doing," Beauvais shouted from near the back of the crowd. "We can't hear you."

Some chefs still need a little coaching.

THE MELTING POT

In the basement of the Creyts Building, 831 N. Washington Ave., on the verge of Old Town and just across the street from Lansing Community College, there's a table set up with china, glassware, a full silver set and menus from restaurants that no longer exist. It's like a banquet for the ghosts of half a dozen restaurants. Valerie Marvin, president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing, helped gather the items for this display, entitled Lansing Eats.

"We were doing a lot of oral histories with folks around town, and almost everyone we talked to had lots to say about going out to eat at restaurants," Marvin said. "If you think

about it, we're always talking about food — going out to lunch, going grocery shopping meeting someone at the bar. So we thought for this exhibit, why not play off that idea?"

She said part of the allure was how the whole concept of dining out has changed.

"Nowadays, going out to eat has become very casual, but it used to be an event," Marvin said. "People would get all dressed up, the whole family would all go out together. It used to mean something to the family. Either that, or they would leave the kids at home, go out to dinner then the restaurant would turn into a dance club, and they'd stay out dancing all night. No one does that anymore."

Marvin said people came out from all over to supply items for the exhibit, giving modern day Lansing residents a taste of what they missed. Neon lights from the former Tango's nightclub; sandwich boards from defunct diners; and menus featuring baked calf hearts and sweetbreads.

"It's funny, you don't think about how tastes change over the years just like language, architecture and fashion," Marvin said. "Back then it was nothing to open a menu and see squirrel or beef tongue. Now people would be disgusted."

She said a big part of that sea of change in Lansing taste buds happened because of an influx of Greek and Macedonian immigrants, who served American fare with European sensibilities, most of which are gone.

So if any of those had survived to this day, which ones would be a place to hit on the restaurant week tour?

"If I had to pick one restaurant that best symbolized Lansing, it would have to be Jim's Tiffany Place," she cooed. "By far, we've had more people share their memories about the décor, the food, the times they had there and their memories of Ange Vlahakis. He touched a lot of lives."

Local experts estimate that between 50 percent to 75 percent of restaurants in the Lansing area in the '30s and '40s were owned by Greek and Macedonian families. However, few of them served Greek or Macedonian cuisine.

Information provided by Valerie Marvin, president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing.

Vlahakis, 86, was invited to speak for the historical society earlier this month, where he shared a lifetime of being in the restaurant biz. His father, Jim Vlahakis, was born in Greece in 1892, and came to the U.S. in 1907 seeking job opportunities. He moved around the Midwest before landing in Lansing in 1912 with a restaurant sign he picked up in Chicago. It read: Boston Café.

"What's interesting for me is that he was emblematic of the melting pot (ideal)," she said. "That restaurant allowed his family to make it. His father had no money, but broke into the restaurant business, supported his



Sam Inglot/City Pulse

Valerie Marvin, with items from the historical restaurant exhibit, Lansing Eats.

family, grew from tiny café to one of downtown's most popular eateries."

The restaurant lasted for two generations and nearly 75 years. When he thinks about it, Vlahakis says it all boils down to one thing: either it's in your blood or it's not.

"We have a saying in the hospitality world," Vlahakis said. "Yes is the answer, what is the question?"

MARRIED TO THE RESTAURANT

Vlahakis, a lifelong Lansing resident, started working at his father's restaurant in 1940. Over the years he nurtured the business and an impressive clientele list over the course of two name changes, finally settling on Jim's Tiffany Place in 1967. The address was 116 E. Michigan Avenue; it's now a parking lot.

"My wife, Betty, was at an antique show and she found a Tiffany lamp, and called me. I told her if she liked it to buy it. And we hung over the cash register until 1993."

He said he flirted with other career choices, but he said something always brought him back.

"I tried to convince my father that, hey, times have changed dad, I'm going to go corporate," he said. He went to Washington and interviewed with the Marriott Corp. He said he was offered a position and had to really think about it.

"I came back, talked to Stan Brauer, who was a good friend and competitor, and he told me he just didn't see me as corporate," Vlahakis said. "So that decision was made. I was married to the restaurant."

Vlahakis was part of the Greek boom, which he thinks took off because the Lansing locals were used to eating bland food.

"Walter Adams, president of MSU, approached me and told me he wanted to have a Greek dinner for friends," Vlahakis said. "It was so successful that we started

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Scott Turner has been in the restaurant industry for over 30 years, starting in family owned eateries. He has trained under many noteworthy chefs in his career. He is experienced in the disciplines of several cuisines. Scott is excited to share his culinary passions with you.

Brent Ebert has also been in the commercial kitchen over 30 years, although he is versed in many cuisines he has a special passion for international comfort food.

Scott and Brent both work under the supervision of Executive Chef Glen Boomhower, who has over 30 years of kitchen experience.

Reservations are required. They can be made by calling the restaurant at (517) 349-1300. Please mention you are coming in for restaurant week.

Hours during which the restaurant week prix-fixe menu is available: Sunday, July 21 4:00 PM–9:00 PM Monday, July 22 through Thursday, July 25 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM

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Photo courtesy of David Marvin
 Angelos "Ange" Vlahakis owned Jim's Tiffany Place in downtown Lansing from 1940 to 1980. The building was razed in 1995. It's now a parking lot.

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featuring Greek nights every three months. We called Zorba Night, and it lasted for years. Other people started doing it too, but I didn't get mad."

But the years wore on, and neither of



Beauvais

his kids took up the Lansing restaurant mantle. His son is a successful attorney in Chicago; and his daughter is a sales coordinator at the Townshend Hotel in Birmingham.

"In 1980, I was ready to just start spending more time with my family," he said. "I was given a faculty offer at Michigan State University, and I took it. I figured 40 years was enough. Was seeing less of my family, and I was becoming frustrated with that. And I didn't look back."

Eleven years after he sold the business, the new owners lost it to creditors. It was shuttered in 1991, and razed in 1995. Vlahakis is planning a Jim's Tiffany Place reunion on Sept. 22 in East Lansing's Patriarche Park. From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. anyone who was employed at any of the Jim's incarnations over the years is welcome to join for an afternoon of food, drinks and reminiscing about life before computerized ordering systems and sides of veggies ("Back then, you didn't get vegetables unless you asked for them special.")

When asked what he thinks of Restaurant Week, Vlahakis was stumped.

"Well, when we were doing it, it seemed like every week was restaurant week," he said. "But I think it's a great idea."

Vlahakis still enjoys going out to eat, but

didn't want to name too many places lest someone get jealous. He does admit that he enjoys the Lebanese food at Woody's Oasis, however, and enjoys the lunch buffet at Xiao.

"I was introduced to these tastes much later in life, but I've always had a taste for foods that are considered 'ethnic,'" he said. "Lansing has a wealth of great restaurants. Anyone who says you have to go to Chicago to get a great meal, you don't know Lansing."

BACK FOR SECONDS?

Plans for Capital Area Restaurant Week part deux are already in the works, but Beauvais is waiting to see how this year's event plays out first. He knows what he wants to do, however: expand the menu to include more appetizers, include a lunch menu and, of course, add more restaurants to the roster.

"We're going to have a meeting next week to tie up some of the loose ends, figure out what we did right and what we'll be able to do better next year," Beauvais said. "But I don't think we're going to want to meet at a restaurant."

BOTH THE KNAPP'S AND THE ARBAUGH'S DEPARTMENT STORES in downtown Lansing had basement cafeterias where customers could eat when they were downtown shopping. The Arbaugh was transformed into lofts in 2005 by development company Karp & Associates and Knapp's is being renovated into a mixed-use development by the Eyde Co.





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BEGGAR'S BANQUET*

Beggar's is known for its Wine Night every Wednesday, featuring half-off bottles of wine and appetizers, including the popular brie. For Restaurant Week, Beggar's will feature the entrées margherita whitefish, sautéed chicken, seared lamb and shrimp and grits. **218 Abbot Road, East Lansing. 11 a.m.–11:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–midnight Friday; 10 a.m.–midnight Saturday; 10 a.m.–10:30 p.m. Sunday. (517) 351-4540. beggarsbanquet.com.**

BISTRO 43*

You don't have to be a hotel guest to dine at Bistro 43, inside the East Lansing Marriott at University Place. With its upscale casual atmosphere, Bistro 43 provides both overnights and visitors with selections such as pan-seared salmon and beef rib-eye, both of which will be part of its Restaurant Week offerings. **200 M. A. C. Ave., East Lansing. 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m. & 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Monday–Friday; 7 a.m.–2 p.m. & 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Saturday; 7 a.m.–2 p.m. & 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 337-4440. marriot.com/lanea.**

BULGOGI FINE KOREAN CUISINE**

Traditional Korean food is paired up with one of the great American pastimes: barbecuing. Restaurant Week items include the Bulgogi, the restaurant's namesake rib-eye marinated in soy sauce, short ribs or shrimp. These items are prepared in part by diners themselves — grills are built into the tables, allowing patrons to cook meat to their own specs. **340 Albert Ave., East Lansing. 11 a.m.–10:30 p.m. daily. (517) 993-6817.**

CLARA'S LANSING STATION**

With its antique chandeliers and stained glass windows, Clara's has a historic feel that varies depending on where you sit — including the train car that was renovated into one of Clara's dining rooms. Its Restaurant Week menu includes three entrée choices, including the baked tilapia. **637 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday; 10 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 372-7120. claras.com.**

CAPITOL CITY GRILLE*

Located inside the Radisson Hotel in downtown Lansing, Capitol City Grille dishes range from pancake breakfasts to steak dinners, with breakfast and lunch buffets opening up the options even more. Restaurant Week guests can choose from Capitol City's steak, fish and chicken dishes, as well as the New York cheesecake, crème brûlée and the chocolate lava cake. **111 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m. & 5 p.m.–10 p.m. daily. (517) 267-3459.**

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Copper Dine & Drink features a Ladies Night every Thursday and wine-and-cheese specials every Wednesday. Or you can have a seat at the bar for a clear view of the Walnut Hills golf course. For Restaurant Week, choose from the coffee-rubbed sirloin steak, artichoke and tofu pierogies

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DUSTY'S CELLAR*

Dusty's Cellar features an award-winning wine list, multiple dining areas and private rooms. Restaurant Week entrées are sautéed filet of haddock with tomato madeira butter sauce; garlic herb cheese, dried tomato, spinach stuffed chicken; or Mediterranean braised boneless beef short rib over creamy truffled grits. **1839 W. Grand River Ave., Okemos. 11 a.m.–3 p.m. & 4 p.m.–10 p.m. Sunday; 4 p.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday, 4 p.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday. (517) 349-5150. dustycellar.com.**

EAGLEMONK PUB & BREWERY**

Along with a variety of classic American snacks such as chips and salsa, pizza sticks and snack pretzels, EagleMonk serves two main dishes: pizza and paninis. The Restaurant Week special will be two salads, a large pizza (featuring its homemade dough) and a shared dessert. Of course, this being a brewery, that's not the only thing made in-house: The list of tap beer gives patrons an assortment of made-on-premises beers, wines, and sodas. **4906 W. Mt. Hope Highway., Lansing. 3 p.m.–10 p.m. Tuesday–Thursday; noon–11 p.m. Friday – Saturday; noon–8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 708-7350.**

EDMUND'S PASTIME**

Edmund's puts novel twists on typical bar fare, including the "tachos," a nacho-like dish that substitutes the classic tortilla chip with tater tots. If you come for weekend breakfast, you'll find 15 different types of pancakes on the menu. Restaurant Week guests will get a choice of fries, tater tots or potato salad; two of the eatery's signature "Pittsburgers"; and any two shakes for dessert. **101 Washington Square S, Lansing. 11 a.m.–midnight. Monday–Wednesday; 11 a.m.–2 a.m. Thursday, Friday; 9 a.m.–2 a.m. Saturday; 9 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 371-8700. edmundspastime.com.**

Entrée items have changed over the years. At one time, Lansing's Purple Steer Restaurant offered fried snapping turtle for \$1.60.

THE ENGLISH INN*

The English Inn, situated on 16 acres along the Grand River in Eaton Rapids, is a historic Tudor mansion that's been converted into a lushly appointed restaurant/pub/bed and breakfast. Choose from almond crusted salmon, pork gratinee or stuffed quail on its

Restaurant Week menu. **677 S. Michigan Road, Eaton Rapids. 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. & 5 p.m.–9 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. & 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Friday; 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Saturday; 1 p.m.–7 p.m. Sunday. (517) 663-2500. englishinn.com.**

G. Mennen Williams, Michigan g overnor from 1949–'61, enjoyed eating at Dine's Restaurant. He always sat at the same table near the dance floor and ordered the same beverage: a big glass of cold milk.

Information provided by Valerie Marvin, president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing.

FINLEY'S AMERICAN GRILL**

Finley's is a Michigan-based chain that has recently become even more state-focused — it recently added more than a dozen Michigan craft beers to its menu. Choose from the petite sirloin (with your choice of toppings, from onion straws to fontina cheese), tilapia, the ribs or the mac and cheese. Two locations: **7433 W. Saginaw Highway, Lansing. (517) 323-4309. 6300 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 882-7530. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday. finleysamericangrill.com.**

FORK IN THE ROAD*

Fork in the Road embraces artisan farm-to-table culture, evident in such dishes as its signature Ballin' Ass Tacos. For Restaurant Week, it will feature caprese (a tomato, pickled ramp combination with olive oil and micro basil), pan-seared walleye and cookies and cream cheesecake. **2010 W. Saginaw St., Lansing. 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Tuesday–Wednesday; 11a.m.–9 p.m. Thursday–Saturday; 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Sunday (breakfast only); closed Monday. (517) 580-3556. forkintheroaddiner.com.**

GILBERT & BLAKE'S*

Gilbert & Blake's specializes in seafood, from around the world and the Great Lakes. The steak Diane with shaloots and a red wine demi will be available on the Restaurant Week menu, as will the sweet jalapeno salmon and Tuscan chicken. **3554 Okemos Road, Okemos. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday; noon–9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 349-1300. gilbertandblakes.com.**

THE KNIGHT CAP*

The Knight Cap's menu has evolved over its 44-year history from being steak-centric (although it still boasts seven cuts of beef) to offering a variety of less traditional menu items. For Restaurant Week, guests will be able to choose from KC sizzler angus steak, pan-seared catfish and chicken breast Oscar. **320 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday; 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 484-7676. thenightcap.com.**

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Sunday, July 21: Closed
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Reservations Policy:

Reservations are not required, but are suggested. They can be made by calling the restaurant at (517) 316-2377

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MEAT. SOUTHERN B.B.Q. & CARNIVORE CUISINE*

Meat-lovers can enjoy meatwiches — such as the “Hot Mess” — gobble meat fries and dive into full plates of brisket, ribs, pork, turkey and whatever else can't be classified as vegetarian. Its Restaurant Week menu consists of the alligator cheesecake appetizer, jumbo beef short ribs and strawberry rhubarb cobbler for dessert. **1224 Turner St., Old Town. 11 a.m.–8 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–9 p.m. Friday–Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 580-4400. meatbbq.com.**



MIDTOWN BEER CO.**

With menu items including black bean burgers, sweet potato fries, Cubano pepper and egg sandwiches and fried pickles, MBC has a variety of food to pair with its more than a dozen local craft beers. No menu was finalized by press time. **402 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 11 a.m.–midnight Monday–Saturday; 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 977-1349, midtownbeerco.com.**

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With lunch and dinner menus consisting of classic bistro cuisine, patrons get a chance to try their hands at the art of wine pairing. Restaurant Week features the spinach and artichoke stuffed baguette appetizer, the P Squared mac and cheese entrée and the lemon berry crème cake dessert. **107 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 11 a.m.–midnight Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–1 a.m. Friday; noon–1 a.m. Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 507-5074. p2winebar.com.**

PIAZZANO'S**

Classic Italian fare meets a traditional American menu at Piazzano's. The Restaurant Week entrée selection features a wide range of choices, including an 8 oz. sizzler steak, five-cheese mac and cheese, the taco platter or a 16-inch specialty pizza. **1825 N. Grand River Ave., Lansing. 7 a.m.–10:30 p.m. Monday–Saturday; 9 a.m.–9 a.m. Sunday. (517) 484-0150. piazzanos.com.**

R-CLUB**

The “R” in R-Club stands for “our,” that is, the owners hope you feel like this is your place as much as it is theirs. Choose from the 8 oz. sizzler steak, “R” famous hand-battered cod fillets or the “R” baked mac and cheese from the Restaurant Week menu. **6409 Centurion Drive, Lansing. 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Monday–Friday; 4 p.m.–11 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 321-7440. rclublansing.com.**

RED CEDAR GRILL*

Williamston's Red Cedar Grill features a



In the '50s and '60 s, many Lansing restaurants offered children's menus that could be worn as masks, featuring clowns, rabbits, and some decidedly un-PC. Native Americans.

wide array of traditional and exotic menu items, including fried plantains and grilled pork Cuban, a Restaurant Week option. **150 E. Grand River Ave., Williamston. 11 a.m.–9 a.m. Monday–Wednesday; 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday; noon–8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 655-3766. redcedargrill.com.**

RED HAVEN*

Red Haven's farm-to-table tapas-style menu rotates seasonally based on what's available, so no menu has been set yet for Restaurant Week. Its inventive dishes make descriptions difficult, so typically the menu simply lists the ingredients. **4480 S. Hagadorn Road, Okemos. 5 p.m.–9 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Sunday; 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Thursday–Saturday; closed Monday. (517) 332-6960. eatredhaven.com.**

THE SOUP SPOON CAFÉ*

The Soup Spoon Café's menu uses

international culinary techniques to provide guests with diverse, made-from-scratch entrées. Restaurant Week selections are hanger steak with smoked onion compote and sherry cream sauce and pistachio-crusted whitefish. **1419 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 7 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 7 a.m.–midnight Friday; 8 a.m.–midnight Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 316-2377. soupspooncafe.com.**

THE STATE ROOM*

Located in the Kellogg Hotel in East Lansing, this dining venue is compatible with business meetings and casual dinners alike. For Restaurant Week, choose from the grilled skirt steak with a garlic rosemary drizzle or the seared sea bass with tarragon butter sauce. **219 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing. 6:30 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Saturday; 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Sunday. (517) 432-5049. stateroomrestaurant.com.**

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TANNIN*

The Old World dominates the plates at Okemos' scratch Italian restaurant, Tannin. For its Restaurant Week menu (coinciding with its first week of business), Tannin will feature eggplant Napoleon, braised short ribs and tjarin, consisting of thin hand-rolled pasta, smoked tomato Bolognese and parmigiano reggiano. **5100 Marsh Road Suite C, Okemos. Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m.; closed Monday. (517) 575-6840. tanninofokemos.com.**

TAVERN 109*

Located inside Williamston's historic 150-year-old National Bank Building, Tavern 109's menu is a blend of classic tavern fare and new creations. Restaurant Week entrées are roasted tomato and eggplant risotto, mustard-crusted whitefish and cherry lavender glazed salmon. **115 E. Grand River Ave., Williamston. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Thursday-Saturday. 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 655-2100. tavern109.com.**

Foo Ying, located next to the Strand Theatre (later the Michigan Theatre), was one of downtown Lansing's first Asian restaurants. Their specialties were chop suey and egg foo yung.



TAVERN ON THE SQUARE*

Whether you're part of a large group or on a date, Tavern on the Square provides an atmosphere upbeat enough for the former and intimate enough for the latter. Loft and outdoor seating options are also available. The Restaurant Week menu was not finalized at press time. **206 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 11 a.m.-2 a.m. daily. (517) 374-5555. tavernonthesq.com.**

TROPPO*

Tropo's lavish setting has been the site of many an executive lunch and special occasion celebration in its nine-year tenure downtown. Entrée selections during Restaurant Week include chicken Bellagio, grilled flat iron steak, risotto primavera and the cider brined pork chop a la Troppo. **111 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 11 a.m.-midnight Wednesday-Friday; 4 p.m.-midnight Saturday; noon-8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 371-4000. troppo.org.**

WROUGHT IRON GRILL*

This former furniture factory still shows signs of its previous life, including its namesake fence outside. The Restaurant Week menu entrée includes hanger steak chimichurri, grilled salmon and mushroom

marsala. **317 S. Elm St., Owosso. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight. Friday-Saturday; noon-8 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday. (989) 472-9025. wroughtirongrill.com.**

Local lore has it that Chicago gangster Al Capone, who used to vacation on Round Lake in Laingsburg in the '20s and '30s, would stop by Emil's Restaurant for a dish of ice cream when he was in town.



Information provided by Valerie Marvin, president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing.



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Entrees

Almond Crusted Salmon
Citrus-soy reduction, curry carrot slaw, wild rice cake
Pork Gratinee
Grilled bone in chop, caramelized onion, gruyere cheese, port wine reduction, daily vegetable, crisp polenta cake
Stuffed Quail
Mushroom-Andouille sausage duxelle, grain mustard cream, daily vegetable, crisp polenta cake

Dessert

A selection from our dessert tray





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THE SCREENING ROOM by ALLAN I. ROSS

Backwoods royalty

Quirky comedy captures adolescence at its most surreal

By ALLAN I. ROSS

In the magically surreal world of "The Kings of Summer," 15-year-old Joe Toy and a couple of his buddies build a functional two-story house out of found materials, "Gilligan's Island"-style, in the middle of a suburban Ohio patch of woods. Then they run away from home to live in it for a summer. It's the ultimate wish fulfillment fantasy of every frustrated teenager, a definitive stroke of defiance that marks the dawn of a new era of independence. To hell with overprotective parents and arbitrary bedtimes!

"We're men," says Joe (newcomer Nick Robinson) to his makeshift tribe, standing proudly over a fire he just built. "Since when?" one of them asks. "Just happened."

The Sundance hit is equal parts social satire and coarse teen comedy, tempered with a dramatic core and sprinkled with bits of slapstick. Normally, such erratic tonal shifts would be jarring, but here it's a thrilling study of multiple characters. By not knowing if the next scene will be "real" or take place in some kind of bizarro dream world (where teleportation and blowing up your romantic rival's Jeep are standard procedure), you become privy

to Joe's shifting adolescent mindset of what's possible and what's not. By refusing to fit neatly into any particular genre, "The Kings of Summer" manages to convey the slippery emotional and logical state that accompanies adolescence; one minute you're living in a romcom, the next day it's a Shakespearean tragedy.

Director Jordan Vogt-Robert shot the film as the best commercial ever for summer vacation, where nature is queen and 15 is the age of enlightenment. Vogt-Robert plumbs comedy from the shifting reality, creating an "Our Gang"-like wall between the grownups and the kids. Cops are bumbling klutzes and parents are baby-talking cretins, but peers are either levelheaded allies or hissably evil foes. First-time screenplay writer Chris Galletta has a John Hughes-like knack for teenagerspeak, and Vogt-Robert utilizes an improvisational style with his actors that adds a comfortable looseness to the dialogue.

Robinson is a confident, courageous actor who infuses his character with an intriguing blend of innocuous menace. You trust him with your daughter, but where in the hell did he get that broad sword? His best friend Patrick ("Super 8" standout Gabriel Basso) is his stalwart lieutenant general, who's just wary enough of his leader's schemes to keep the enterprise even-keeled. But sidekick Biaggio (Moises Arias) steals every scene he's in; he's a non sequitur-spewing spaz who seems to have only one foot in the real world and the other on a banana



Courtesy Photo

(From left) Moises Arias, Gabriel Basso and Nick Robinson get back to nature in "The Kings of Summer." The film is about three teens who build a house in the woods.

peel. To wit, he thinks he's gay because his lungs fill up with fluid every time the weather changes. ("I think that's cystic fibrosis," replies Joe even-handedly. "You should probably have that checked out.") He has both the intelligence and loyalty of a golden retriever, and is easily the film's most interesting character.

Comedy vet Nick Offerman, meanwhile, plays Frank, Joe's cantankerous father, to perfection. He grumbles his way through awkward family game nights, interactions with his daughter's moronic beau and dealings with the not-so-helpful law enforcement. He's the perfect foil for Joe, but even their cartoonish acrimony has a logic behind it: Frank is grieving

the loss of his wife, and he's dealing with it with a hostile emotional shield. It gives the film an unexpected — and welcome — level of depth that proves that you can have your dick jokes and your social commentary, too.

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Listings deadline is 5 p.m. the THURSDAY BEFORE publication. Paid classes will be listed in print at the cost of one enrollment (maximum \$20). Please submit them to the events calendar at www.lansingcitypulse.com. If you need help, please call Dana at (517) 999-5069. Email information to calendar@lansingcitypulse.com.

Wednesday, July 17

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

Coupon Swap. Exchange coupons, discuss deals & strategies. 6-7:45 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Fenner Field School. Session 1: Wetlands & Native American culture. Grades 3-8. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$400. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224. mynaturecenter.org.

Summer Nature Day Camp. Down in the Dirt. Grades K-2. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$140 residents, \$155 non-residents. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. mynaturecenter.org.

Vinyasa Yoga. Taught by Cathy Fitch. Drop ins welcome. 5:30-6:45 p.m. \$12 per class, \$60 six weeks. ACC Natural Healing and Wellness, 617 Ionia St., Lansing. (517) 708-8510.

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

MSU Community Music School Band Camp. For experienced middle school students. 9 a.m.-2:50 p.m. \$215. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661.

Family Storytime. Ages up to 6. Stories, rhymes & activities. 10:30 a.m. FREE. CADL South Lansing Library, 3500 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 272-9840.

Drawing Class. All skill levels, with Penny Collins. Pre-registration required. 6-8:30 p.m. \$50 for four weeks. Gallery 1212 Fine Art Studio, 1212 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 999-1212.

Discussion group with Carole Ray. Learn how to read a chart. 7 p.m.-9 p.m. \$10. Coyote Wisdom, 2432 N. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 323-1707. coyotewisdomstore.com.

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

EVENTS

DTDL Book Club. "The Day the Falls Stood Still," Cathy Marie Buchanan. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

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

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WED. JULY 17 >> CARTOONING WITH ELLIE MCDODDLE DIARIES AUTHOR

Lansing author Ruth McNally Barshaw's fictional heroine Ellie McDoodle has scribbled and cartooned her way through camp disasters, fly-away pets, soccer fiascos and theater drama. Now, McNally Barshaw will engage in some Q&A about her books and illustrations. The books are geared toward 8-12 year olds, but children of all ages are welcome to come, ask questions and learn some tricks of the trade. 6 p.m. FREE. Schuler's Books & Music (Eastwood). 2820 Towne Center Boulevard, Lansing. schulerbooks.com.

THU. JULY 18 >> CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY



The Moonlight Film Festival continues its outdoor movie series this week with Johnny Depp's turn as mad confectionaire Willy Wonka in the 2005 Tim Burton remake, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory." The PG-rated film takes audiences through the world where rivers are made of chocolate, gum turns people into giant blueberries and the factory workers have their own dance for every occasion. Live music from Rob Kladja begins one hour before the showing, and Goombas Pizza and Melting Moments will be on site. Guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs and blankets. No show if it rains. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park. 280 Valley Court, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com.

THU. JULY 18 >> RUN FOR FAME SIGN UP



Registration opens for the 4th Annual Run for Fame from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Runners can choose to participate in the 5K or 10K for \$20, with proceeds supporting the Michigan Hall of Fame. The race starts at 9 a.m. Sunday. Regardless of route, runners will start and finish at the Lansing Center venue. Hall of Fame medals will be awarded to the top three participants in each age group. Everyone receives a free race t-shirt. Maps and registration available online. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. \$20. Capitol Grounds. Capitol Ave. at Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 702-0226. runningfoundation.com.

FRI. JULY 19 >> ASTRONOMY WITH PHIL PLAIT

The weekly public show at the Abrams Planetarium will continue "Bad Astronomy" through fall. Featuring Phil Plait, astronomer, lecturer and author, audiences will get the chance to explore the cosmos while challenging popular myths. The presentation covers the possibility of extraterrestrial life and the likelihood of stars predicting the future. 8 p.m.-9:30 p.m. \$2 ages 12 & under, \$2.50 seniors, \$3 adults. Abrams Planetarium. 755 Science Road, Michigan State University. (517) 355-4676. pa.msu.edu/abrams.



WED. JULY 24 >> MUSIC IN THE PARK

This year, Meridian Township celebrates 20 years of free summer music. The performances on July 24 consist of the folksy Michigan ditties of the Fabulous Halftones at 7 p.m. and the gypsy jazz of Hot Club of Lansing at 7:45 p.m. Guests are encouraged to bring their own seating. Park-goers can pack a picnic, and popcorn, ice cream and lemonade will be available for purchase. Parking is free. 7 p.m. & 7:45 p.m. FREE. Central Park. 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 347-7300. meridianhistoricalvillage.org/music-in-the-park.html.

TURN IT DOWN

A SURVEY OF LANSING'S MUSICAL LANDSCAPE

BY RICH TUPICA

SUN. JULY 21ST



WOJCIK AT THE AVENUE

The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, FREE, 18 and over, 8 p.m.

Lansing-area native Hailey Wojcik, chief songwriter in the three-piece band WOJCIK, plays a free hometown gig Sunday at The Avenue Café. The DeWitt native, now living in Brooklyn, fronts the all-girl gothic/garage-band unit. She played many of the instruments on the new "Wise Blood" LP, the follow up to the self-titled 2011 EP. "Wise Blood" was inspired by Wojcik's love of Flannery O'Connor and her childhood in Michigan. The album cover, which features a coyote, paid homage to her zookeeper parents. Also performing at The Avenue is Missouri-based band Honky Suckle, which plays harmonica-driven bluegrass/folk, and The Leper Colony, a local "dark folk" band. Fans of The Misfits/Danzig or Hank Williams might want to check it.

THE USED AT THE LOFT



SUN. JULY 21ST

The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, all ages, \$30, \$27 advance, 7 p.m.

Post-hardcore/screamo veterans The Used headline Sunday at The Loft. Opening the show is Life Remaining and Hidden Hospitals. The Used released their latest full length last year on its Hopeless imprint. This month, the band dropped "The Ocean of the Sky," a five-song EP. Utah native Bert McCracken (vocalist) formed the band in 2001; a year later he inked a deal with Reprise Records and released a self-titled debut. The band's follow-up, "In Love and Death," arrived in 2004. The album's title and much of the lyrics refer to McCracken's troubled life, including poverty, drug addiction and the death of his pregnant girlfriend. The band has sold millions of records and went gold or platinum in six countries.

FASTBALL AT THE LOFT



MON. JULY 22ND

The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, all ages, \$17, \$15 adv., 8 p.m.

Mega-selling alt-rock veterans Fastball headline Monday at The Loft. Opening the show are Life Size Ghost and The Last Pop Band. Fastball, originally named Magneto U.S.A., formed in Austin in 1994. Around 1996, the band updated its name and signed to Hollywood Records. Their debut disc, "Make Your Mama Proud," didn't make an impact on the charts, but its 1998 sophomore LP, "All the Pain Money Can Buy," went platinum in six months. The band's catchy hit singles, "The Way" and "Out of My Head," kept the record on the charts for a year. The Grammy nominated band has released a string of acclaimed records, the latest being 2009's "Little White Lies."

EVENING OF SMOOTH JAZZ



FRI. JULY 26TH

Margaret Livensparger Theater, 5885 W. Holt Road, Holt, all ages, 7:30 p.m.

BMRW Promotions, a Lansing-based events and promotions company, hosts "An Evening of Smooth Jazz" on July 26 at Holt High School's Margaret Livensparger Theater. Headlining the annual event is saxophonist Jackiem Joyner. Also performing is local jazz group 496 West. Joyner, a chart-topping contemporary jazz artist, has toured the world. In 2007, after releasing his debut "Babysoul," the composer and producer was named "Debut Artist of the Year" by Smooth Jazz News. The Virginia native lives in California and records his distinct blend of jazz, gospel and instrumental pop/R&B on Mack Avenue Records and Artistry Music. His latest album, "Church Boy," was released last October. For tickets call (517) 372-7246 or visit bmrwpromotions.com.

SYCAMORE SMITH AT THE AVENUE



MON. JULY 29TH

The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, donations, 18 and over, 8 p.m.

Sycamore Smith is the stage name for Marc Smith, who was a member of the defunct band The Muldoons and a fixture in the Upper Peninsula punk scene throughout the '80s and '90s. Smith headlines Monday at The Avenue Café, performing his kazoo-blowing solo act. Smith's folk songs are old-fashion and vaudevillian, his lyrics infused with heroes and swindlers. A few of his lyrical characters include Wolfskin Rosie, Legless Paul and Bobo, who have triumphant, melancholic adventures. Smith, an agnostic, also writes lampoon tunes, such as his song "Ho-kum All Ye Faithful," a satire of Christian beliefs. Fans of Elvis Costello or Jonathan Richman might want to check out his rustic set. The opener is Stephen Marcus Cowles.

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LIVE & LOCAL

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Colonial Bar, 3425 S. MLK Blvd.	DJ, 9 p.m.	Frog and the Beeftones, 9 p.m.	Frog and the Beeftones, 9 p.m.	
Connxtions Comedy Club, 2900 E. N. East St.		Mike Bobbitt, 8 p.m.	Mike Bobbitt, 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m.	Mike Bobbitt, 10:30 p.m.
Crunchy's, 254 W. Grand River Ave.	Oliver & the Attack of the Lovely, 10 p.m.		Firkin Friday, all day	DJ Sammy, 10 p.m.
The Exchange, 314 E. Michigan Ave.			Smooth D, 9:30 p.m.	Smooth D, 9:30 p.m.
The Firm, 229 S. Washington Square		DnW Sounds, 9 p.m.	DJs, 9 p.m.	DJs, 9 p.m.
Grand Café/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave.		Kathy Ford Band, 7:30 p.m.	Karaoke, 7 p.m.	
Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave.	DJ McCoy, 9:30 p.m.	The DeWaynes, 9:30 p.m.	Soulstice, 9:30 p.m.	Summer of Sol, 9:30 p.m.
The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave.			Whitey Morgan, 9 p.m.	Pacifier, 8 p.m.
Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave.		Dozic, 9 p.m.		Devil's Cut, 9 p.m.
Michael's Downtown Pub, 210 S. Washington Square	Blues/Jazz Night, 8p.m.		Cedamillion, 9 p.m.	DJ Nate, 9 p.m.
Reno's East, 1310 Abbot Road	Don Middlebrook, 6:30 p.m.	Mark Andrasko, 6 p.m.	Rob Kladja, 6 p.m.	Kathy Ford Band, 6 p.m.
Reno's West, 5001 W. Saginaw Hwy.	Gabe James, 6 p.m.	Ray Townsend, 6 p.m.	Rush Clement, 6 p.m.	Mark Sala, 6 p.m.
Rookies, 16460 S. US 27	Drew Machak, 7 p.m.			Third Degree, 9:30 p.m.
Uli's Haus of Rock, 4519 S. MLK Jr. Blvd.		Shallow Side, 8 p.m.	Fist to the Sky, 8 p.m.	Here Lies Another, 8 p.m.
Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave.		Frog and the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m.	Fragment of Soul, 8:30 p.m.	
Waterfront Bar & Grill, 325 City Market Drive	Suzi & the Love Brothers, 6 p.m.	Rhythms on the River, 6 p.m.	Joe Wright, 6 p.m.	From Big Sur, 6 p.m.
Whiskey Barrel Saloon, 410 S. Clippert St.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.
Sunday	Karaoke, 9 p.m. Drag Queens Gone Wild, 11 p.m., Spiral Dance Bar; DJ Mike, 9:30 p.m., LeRoy's Bar & Grill; Open Mic, 5 p.m., Open Blues Jam, 7-11 p.m. Uli's Haus of Rock.			
Monday	Steppin' In It, 9:30 p.m., Green Door: Easy Babies funk trio, 10 p.m., The Exchange. Open-Mic Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Michigan Brewing Company-Lansing, Monday Funday, 9 p.m., The Firm.			
Tuesday	Tommy Foster & Guitar Bob, 9 p.m., The Exchange; Neon Tuesday, 9 p.m., Mac's Bar. Jazz Tuesday Open Jam, 9 p.m., Stober's Bar; Craig Hendershott, 6 p.m., Waterfront Bar & Grill.			

Out on the town

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Watershed Wellness Center Farmers' Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Watershed Farmer's Market, 16280 National Pkwy., Lansing. (517) 886-0440.

Allen Street Farmers Market. 2:30-7 p.m. FREE., 1619 E. Kalamazoo St. Lansing. (517) 999-3911.

Grande Paraders. Squares, 7 p.m. Casual attire. 7 p.m. \$3 members, \$4 non-members. Lions Community Park, 304 W. Jefferson St. Dimondale. (517) 694-0087.

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

Theology of the United Church of Christ. Discussion on non-doctrinal church. Free child care & parking. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434. pilgrimucc.com.

Vacation Bible School. Ages 4-12. Theme "Antioch 49 A.D.", 5:30-8:30 p.m. FREE. Holt Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship, 5682 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 748-0386.

adventist.org.
Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 1-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918. allenneighborhoodcenter.org/gardenhouse/youthprograms/youthservicecorps/#parkcart.

Forest View Citizens Association. Police Dept. update & guest speaker, 6:30 p.m. coffee, 7 p.m. meeting, University Club MSU, 3435 Forest Road, Lansing. (517) 882-9342.

St. Joseph Tabernacle Church Convocation. Family love & life fellowship with guest speakers. 7 p.m. FREE. St. Joseph Tabernacle Church, 240 Marshall, Lansing. (517) 975-4296.

MUSIC

Sam Winternheimer Quartet. 7-10 p.m. Midtown Beer Company, 402 S. Washington Square, Lansing.

Concert in the Park Series. Seacruisers. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Turner-Dodge House & Heritage Center, 100 E. North Street, Lansing. (517) 483-4277. lansingmi.gov.

17th Annual Muelder Summer Carillon Series. Featuring Julianne Vanden Wyngaard & George Gregory. 6 p.m. FREE. Beaumont Tower, MSU Campus,

East Lansing. music.msu.edu.

Concert in the Park. Featuring Doug Main and the City Folk. 7 p.m. FREE. St. Johns City Park, located off Morton and Park streets, St. Johns. (989) 224-2429.

LITERATURE-AND-POETRY

Kirk Cousins Booksigning. Author of "Game Changer.", 6-8 p.m. Schuler Books & Music (Okemos), 1982 Grand River Ave., Okemos. (517) 349-8840.

Thursday, July 18

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

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.

Water media. All levels welcome, with Donna Randall. Preregistration required. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$50 for four weeks. Gallery 1212 Fine Art Studio, 1212 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 999-1212.

Fenner Field School. Session 1: Wetlands & Native American culture. Grades 3-8. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$400. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224. mynaturecenter.org.

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Family Storytime. Ages up to 6. Stories, rhymes & activities. 10:30 a.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing Library, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 367-6363.

Computer Training. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Faith United Methodist Church, 4301 S. Waverly Road, Lansing. (517) 393-3347.

MSU Community Music School Band Camp. For middle school students. 9 a.m.-2:50 p.m. \$215. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661.

Take Root Garden Club. Ages 5-10. Fill out registration form. 10:30 a.m.-Noon, FREE. Hunter Park Community GardenHouse, 1400 block of E. Kalamazoo St. Lansing. (517) 999-3918.

EcoTrek Fitness Outdoor Group Workouts. 5:45-7 p.m. \$40 5 sessions, \$10 single session. McNamara Canoe Landing, 6446 West Columbia Hwy. Lansing. (517) 243-6538. ecotrekfitness.com/lansing.shtml.

Park Community GardenHouse. 1400 block of E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918.

Family Education Day. Compost for kids featuring sautéed collard greens with bacon, 5 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive., Lansing. (517) 483-7460. lansingcitymarket.com.

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. Come play Euchre and meet new people. 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.

City of East Lansing Moonlight Film Festival. "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," with Johnny Depp. Bring lawn chair or blanket. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Ct., East Lansing.

South Lansing Farmers Market. 3-7 p.m. FREE. South Lansing Farmers Market, 1905 W. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 374-5700.

Food and Fun. Breakfast & lunch. Crafts & activities. Up to 18. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. FREE. Elmhurst Elementary School, 2400 Pattengill Ave., Lansing. (517) 887-6116.

Vacation Bible School. Ages 4-12. Theme "Antioch 49 A.D.", 5:50-8:30 p.m. FREE. Holt Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship, 5682 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 748-0386. adventist.org.

Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 1-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918.

Teen Mendhi. Grades 6-12. Mendhi (Henna Tattoos) with Soopriya Razdan. 1p.m. FREE. Dewitt District Library, 13101 Schavey Road, DeWitt. (517) 669-3156. dewittlibrary.org.

Psychotic Disorder: Treatment, Coping, and Recovery. Dr. Hanna Saad, 7 p.m. FREE. McLaren-Greater Lansing Education Building, 401 W. Greenlawn Ave., Lansing. namilansing.org.

Authors in the Garden. Featuring local writers Rosalie Sanara Petrouske and Ashtyn Rapp. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge.

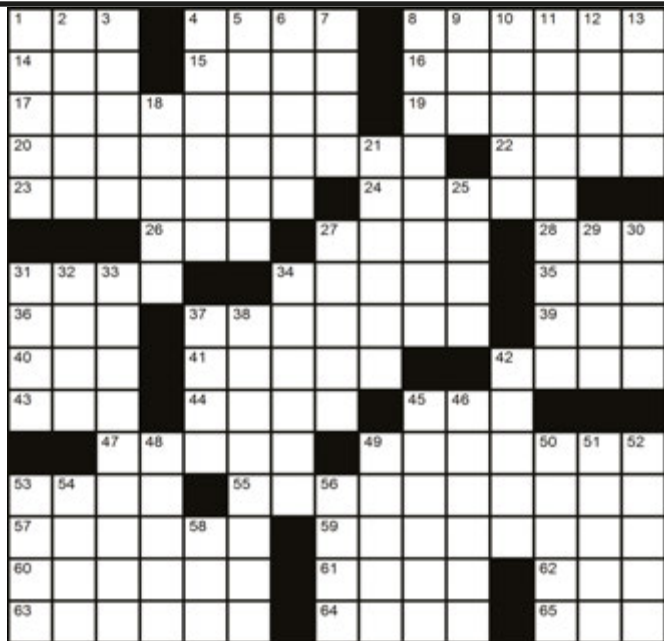
Sidewalk Sales. Discounts and sales at participating downtown merchants, All day, FREE. Downtown East Lansing, Grand River Avenue, East Lansing.

St. Joseph Tabernacle Church Convocation. Guest Speaker Pastor Michael Lampkin. 7 p.m. FREE. St. Joseph Tabernacle Church, 240 Marshall St., Lansing. (517) 975-4296.

Jonesin' Crossword

By Matt Jones

"Magnetic Spin"-- they're polar opposites.
by Matt Jones



Across

- 1 Baseball hat
- 4 Sportscaster Collinsworth
- 8 Nearsighted
- 14 ___-de-la-Cite (Notre Dame locale)
- 15 Eugene O'Neill's actress/daughter
- 16 State of southern Mexico
- 17 Beats the clock?
- 19 Attic dust collector
- 20 What the phone ID tells you about Nolte?
- 22 ___ buco (Italian entree)
- 23 Half a pay period, often
- 24 "___ Like Alice" (Peter Finch film)
- 26 They pop up here and there
- 27 Body work, for short?
- 28 Consumed
- 31 Beloved Blume
- 34 To ___ mildly
- 35 Rock venue?
- 36 "Damned dirty" creature
- 37 Comes up with a plea, for short?
- 39 Rhubarb or blueberry
- 40 DeLuise in Burt Reynolds outtakes
- 41 Words before remember or relax
- 42 Leader of pre-1917 Russia
- 43 Experimental musician Brian
- 44 Private investigators, for short

- 45 Afr. neighbor
- 47 "___ Ninjas" (Nickelodeon show with George Takei)
- 49 Gut response
- 53 Long-winded diatribe
- 55 Ancient Roman building where pigs made noises in pairs?
- 57 Revealing swimsuit
- 59 Folk singer's accompaniment
- 60 Like stadium seating
- 61 Angry moods
- 62 Trapeze artist's safety
- 63 Ruined
- 64 First part of a news story
- 65 Trick finish?

Down

- 1 Big name in routers
- 2 Edgar ___ Poe
- 3 "Key & ___" (Comedy

- Central show)
- 4 Mimicked
- 5 Betsy and Diana, for two
- 6 How contracts are signed
- 7 ___-Flush (bathroom brand)
- 8 Shirley Temple, for example
- 9 Blocking Ming
- 10 "The ___ Incident" (Henry Fonda movie)
- 11 Name for a pet-friendly brewpub?
- 12 Applies frosting to
- 13 ___ San Lucas (Baja resort)
- 18 Super Bowl XXXIII MVP
- 21 Defiant response
- 25 School bus driver on "The Simpsons"
- 27 Family tree members
- 29 Vegas Strip hotel
- 30 Driving hazards

- 31 Green stone
- 32 Immediately following
- 33 A good band pic on the CD, songs that will appeal to music producers, etc.?
- 34 Movie with a shower scene
- 37 :// preceder
- 38 Numbers after 1
- 42 Dare alternative
- 45 Overacted
- 46 Engaged in rioting
- 48 "In ___" (Nirvana album)
- 49 Acclimate
- 50 Former "Weekend Edition Sunday" host Hansen
- 51 Less doubtful
- 52 Bad dashboard reading
- 53 Quartet after Q
- 54 Neat as ___
- 56 Hit the seas
- 58 Lion's place

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TO PLAY

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

To avoid erasing, pencil in your possible answers in the scratchpad space beneath the short line in each vacant square.

Answers on page 24

Out on the town

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MUSIC

Music in the Garden. Joshua Davis. 7 p.m. FREE. Veterans Memorial Gardens Amphitheater, 2074 Aurelius Road, Holt. (517) 694-2135. www.holtarts.org.
Williamston Summer Concert Series. Modern Day Drifters. 7-9 p.m. FREE. McCormick Park, located at N. Putnam and High Streets, Williamston.

THEATRE

Tuna Does Vegas. Town of Tuna, Texas goes to Vegas. 8 p.m. \$15. Williamston Theatre, 122 S. Putnam St., Williamston. (517) 655-7469. williamstontheatre.com.
Next to Normal. Musical. 8 p.m. \$17, \$12 students & seniors. Miller Performing Arts Center, 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing. peppermintcreek.org.

LITERATURE-AND-POETRY

Writers Roundtable. Get feedback on your writing. 6-7:45 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtcl.org.
Book Talk. Stewart Acuff, "Playing Bigger Than You Are: A Life in Organizing.", 7 p.m. Schuler Books & Music (Okemos), 1982 Grand River Ave., Okemos. (517) 349-8840. schulerbooks.com.

Friday, July 19

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.
Oil Painting. For all levels with Patricia Singer. Preregistration required. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$50 for four weeks. Gallery 1212 Fine Art Studio, 1212 Turner St., Lansing.
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EVENTS

Grand Art Market Call for Artists Deadline. Deadline applications for 3rd Annual Grand Art Market. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460. lansingcitymarket.com.

Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 1-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St. Lansing. (517) 999-3918. allenneighborhoodcenter.org/gardenhouse/youthprograms/youthservicecorps/#parkcart.

Used book sale. Books, videos, audio books, compact discs, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-9588.

Sidewalk Sales. Discounts and sales at participating downtown merchants. All day, FREE. Downtown East Lansing, Grand River Avenue, East Lansing.

St. Joseph Tabernacle Church Convocation. Youth carnival & gospel musical, 3-6:30 p.m. carnival, 7 p.m. FREE. St. Joseph Tabernacle Church, 240 Marshall, Lansing. (517) 975-4296.

Summer Concert Series. Lansing Unionized Vaudeville Spectacle, 7 p.m.-9 p.m. FREE. East Plaza, Corner of Charles Street & Albery Avenue East Lansing.

Vacation Bible School. Ages 4-12. Theme "Antioch 49 A.D.", 5:30-8:30 p.m. FREE. Holt Seventh Day Adventist

Fellowship, 5682 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 748-0386. www.adventist.org.

MUSIC

Grand River Radio Diner. Featuring Rootstand and Carrie McFerrin. Noon-1 p.m. FREE. Grand Cafe/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-1710. lcc.edu/radio.

City of East Lansing Summer Concert Series. The Lansing Unionized Vaudeville Spectacle. 7 p.m. FREE. East Plaza, Corner of Charles Street & Albery Avenue, East Lansing.

Tall Timber. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. FREE. The Bath Pub, 13631 Main St. Bath. (269) 420-8631.

MSU CMS Middle School Band Camp Performance. 7 p.m. Wharton Center, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661. www.cms.msu.edu.

THEATRE

Tuna Does Vegas. Town of Tuna, Texas goes to Vegas. 8 p.m. \$25. Williamston Theatre, 122 S. Putnam St., Williamston. (517) 655-7469. www.williamstontheatre.com.

Next to Normal. Musical. 8 p.m. \$17, \$12 students & seniors. Miller Performing Arts Center, 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing. www.peppermintcreek.org.

Saturday, July 20

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

Tai Chi in the Park. Taught by Bob Teachout. 9 a.m. FREE. Hunter Park Community Garden House, 1400 block of E. Kalamazoo St. Lansing.

Bad Astronomy. Learn about cosmos. 8 p.m. \$3, \$2.50 students & seniors, \$2 kids under 12. Abrams Planetarium, 755 Science Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-4676. www.pa.msu.edu/abrams/.

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

EVENTS

Watershed Wellness Center Farmers' Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Watershed Farmer's Market, 16280 National Parkway, Lansing. (517) 886-0440.

Urbandale Farm Stand. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Urbandale Farm, 700 block S. Hayford Ave. Lansing. (517) 999-3916.

Taste of Downtown. Food sampling, wine tasting & entertainment. 3 p.m. Adults \$15 advance, \$20 at door, \$5 under 12, FREE under 2. Downtown Lansing, Washington Square between Michigan and Washtenaw avenues, Lansing. www.tasteofdowntown.org.

Summer Campfire Series. Theme, Crickets and Katydid. 7 p.m. \$3 per person, \$7 per family. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Meridian Township. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Mobile Food Pantry. Must bring valid state ID or driver's license. 9-11 a.m. FREE. Plymouth Congregational Church, 2001 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4477.

Holt Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 2050 Cedar St., Holt.

Used book sale. Fill a box with materials of choice (some exceptions) for \$5, 10 a.m.-noon, Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. (517) 627-9588.

Sidewalk Sales. Discounts and sales at participating downtown merchants. All day, FREE. Downtown East Lansing, Grand River Avenue, East Lansing.

St. Joseph Tabernacle Church Convocation. Official Day, Bishop Joseph Futch, Jr. 11 a.m. FREE. St. Joseph Tabernacle Church, 240 Marshall, Lansing. (517) 975-4296.

MUSIC

The Pat Zelenka Project. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. FREE. The Bath Pub, 13631 Main St., Bath. (269) 420-8631. www.facebook.com/events/463202073767279.

City of East Lansing Summer Concert Series.

East Harvest. 7 p.m. FREE. East Plaza, Corner of Charles Street & Albery Avenue, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com/summerconcertseries.

Live Music at the Barn. Sam Pepper, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460. lansingcitymarket.com.

THEATRE

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Free Will Astrology By Rob Breznsny

July 17-23

ARIES (March 21-April 19): "I have tried in my way to be free," sings Leonard Cohen in his song "Bird on a Wire." In other words, he has done the best he can to liberate himself from his unconscious patterns, bad habits, and self-delusions. He hasn't been perfect in his efforts, but the work he has done has earned him a measure of deliverance from his suffering. I recommend you follow his lead, Aries. Do your best to bring more relief and release into your life. Get rid of things that hold you back. Overthrow a pinched expectation and ignore a so-called limitation or two. By this time next week, I hope you will be able to say sincerely, "I have tried in my way to be free."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): "There are some things you learn best in calm, and some in storm," wrote the novelist Willa Cather. According to my reading of the astrological omens, Taurus, you're in a phase of your cycle when storm-learning isn't your priority. The educational experiences you need most will unfold when you're exploring the mysteries of peace and serenity. In fact, I suspect that the deeper you relax, the more likely it is that you will attract life-changing teachings -- lessons that can transform your life for the better and fuel you for a long time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Is there a message you've wanted to deliver for a long time but haven't been able to? Are you bursting with thoughts or feelings that you've been longing to express but can't find the right way to do so? Have you spent months carrying around a poignant truth that you have felt wasn't ripe enough to be revealed? If your answer to any of those questions is yes, I believe the time will soon be at hand to make a move. But it's important that you're not impulsive or melodramatic as you initiate your breakthrough communications. For best results, be full of grace and balance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Bees and other insects can see ultraviolet light, which is invisible to humans. When they look at flowers, they detect designs on the petals that you and I cannot. For example, the evening primrose appears completely yellow to us, but it calls seductively to bees with a flashy star pattern at its center. Many of the secret signs that flowers offer the pollinators are meant to guide them to where the pollen and nectar are. Let's use this as our metaphor of the week, Cancerian. I am not predicting that you will be able to perceive a broader spectrum of light. But I do believe you will discern cues and clues that are hidden from most people and that have been imperceptible to you in the past.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): "I was six years old when my parents told me that there was a small, dark jewel inside my skull, learning to be me." So said the Leo science fiction writer Greg Egan in his story "Learning to Be Me." Let's pretend that you, too, have a small dark jewel inside your skull that's learning to be you. It's a good metaphor for what I believe has been happening all these years: You have been gradually mastering the art of being the best Leo you can be. It hasn't been easy. You weren't born knowing how to be your beautiful, radiant, courageous self, but have had to work hard to activate your potentials. Now you're moving into an especially critical phase of the process: a time when you have the chance to learn how to love yourself with greater ingenuity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): "Dear Astrology Guy: Please tell me why I have to work so hard -- meditate, reflect, read, analyze, poke, prod, investigate -- to discover truths about myself that must be obvious to others. Why is it so hard for me to see where I need healing and where I need to let go? Why is it such an ordeal to grasp what is interfering with my wholeness when I can quickly pinpoint what other people's issues are? -Overworked Virgo." Dear Overworked: I'm happy to report that you Virgos will soon be offered a gush of revelations about who you are, how you can heal, and

what strategies will best serve your quest to minimize your anxiety. Are you prepared to absorb some intense teachings? For best results, make yourself extra receptive.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): One of the world's best race car teams is McLaren. It wins about 25 percent of the events in which it competes. Its skilled drivers account for much of its success, but its technicians are also pretty sensational. During a pitstop in the middle of a race, they can change all four tires on the car in less than three seconds. Do you have helpers like that, Libra? If you don't, it's time to intensify your efforts to get them. And if you do, it's time to call on them to give you an extra boost.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Let's try an experiment. It's risky, but I'm hoping you will do it with such flair that there will be no karmic blowback. What I propose, Scorpio, is that you have fun expressing more confidence than usual. I invite you to strut a bit, even swagger, as you demonstrate your command over your circumstances. Enjoy acting as if the world is your plaything . . . as if everyone around you secretly needs you to rise up and be a bigger, bolder version of yourself. The trick, of course, will be to avoid getting puffed up with grandiose delusions. Your challenge is to be more wildly devoted to embodying your soul's code without lapsing into arrogance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): I suspect that you are longing to take a quantum leap of faith, but are also afraid to take that quantum leap of faith. You sense the potential of experiencing a very cool expansion, while at the same time you hesitate to leave your comfort zone and give up your familiar pain. In light of the conflict, which may not be entirely conscious, I suggest you hold off on making a gigantic quantum leap of faith. Instead, experiment with a few bunny hops of faith. Build up your courage with some playful skips and skitters and bounces that incrementally extend your possibilities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Hoaxes exposed! Bluffs called! Secrets revealed! Whitewashes uncovered! Curses banished! Taboos broken! Those are the headlines I expect to see emblazoned in your Book of Life during the coming weeks. Can you handle that many holy disruptions? Will you be able to deal with the stress that might come from having so much raucous success? These are important questions, because if you're not up to the challenge, you may scare away the transformations. So steel your resolve, Capricorn. Mobilize your will. Do what's necessary to harvest the unruly blessings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The French novelist Flaubert declared that if you hope to write a book, you should first read 1,500 books. A Roman author named Petronius believed that the imagination does not work at its peak power unless it is inundated with reading material. I suggest you adopt their advice and apply it to your own field, Aquarius. Whatever skill or subject you want to master, expose yourself lavishly to the efforts of other people who have already mastered it. Flood yourself with well-crafted inspiration.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Should you be worried that a venomous spider has crawled into your shoe while you were sleeping? Just in case, should you flip your shoe upside-down before putting it on each morning? My studied opinion: hell, no. The chances of you being bitten on the foot by a venomous spider lurking in your shoe are even less than the possibility that you will be abducted by an alien who looks like Elvis Presley and forced to sing a karaoke version of Beyonce's "Single Ladies" at an extraterrestrial bar. And if you are going around filled with delusional anxieties like that, you will definitely interfere with life's current predilection, which is to give you a cleansing respite from your fears as well as immunity from harm.

Sunday, July 21

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

Spiritual Talk, Pure Meditation & Silent Prayer. One of Mata Yoganandaji's "Inspiring Talks.", 7 p.m. FREE. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 7187 Drumheller Road, Bath.

Juggling. Learn how to juggle. 2-4 p.m. FREE. Orchard Street Pump House, 368 Orchard St., East Lansing. (517) 485-9190.

Bad Astronomy. Learn about cosmos. 4 p.m. \$3, \$2.50 students & seniors, \$2 kids under 12. Abrams Planetarium, 755 Science Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-4676. pa.msu.edu/abrams/.

Sunday Family Show. "The Little Star that Could." Preschool through second grade. 2:30 p.m. \$3, \$2.50 students & seniors, \$2 kids 12 and under. Abrams Planetarium, East Lansing

EVENTS

Capital Area Singles Dance. With door prizes. 6-10 p.m. \$8. Fraternal Order of Eagles, 4700 N. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 819-0405.

Spiritual Talk, Pure Meditation & Silent Prayer. 7 p.m. FREE. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 7187 Drumheller Road, Bath. (517) 641-6201. SelfRealizationCentreMichigan.org.

City of East Lansing Farmers Market. Growers-only market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Ct., East Lansing.

Trade Faire & Open Mic. Bring things to sell or barter & open mic. Noon, FREE. 1200 Marquette St., Lansing. (517) 420-1873. www.thinklivemusic.com.

Lansing City Market's Bike Bonanza. Bike tips, food samples & prizes. Noon-4 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460. lansingcitymarket.com.

MUSIC

Deacon Earl. Noon-2 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Court. East Lansing. (517) 319-6888. www.cityofeastlansing.com/FarmersMarket.

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THEATRE

Tuna Does Vegas. Town of Tuna, Texas goes to Vegas. 2 p.m. \$22. Williamston Theatre, 122 S. Putnam St., Williamston. (517) 655-7469. williamstontheatre.com.

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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.

Metaphysical Mondays. Discussion, 7-8 p.m. FREE. Triple Goddess New Age Bookstore, 1824 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 347-2112. triplegoddessbookstore.net.

Zumba Gold. For seniors or beginners. With Rochele Cotter. 11 a.m.-Noon, \$8 drop in rate, \$35 5 visit punch card, \$65 10 visit punch card. Kick it Out! Dance Studio, 1880 Haslett Road, East Lansing.

Computer Training. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE. Faith United Methodist Church, 4301 S. Waverly Road, Lansing. (517) 393-3347.

Adult Rape Survivor Support Group. Pre-registration 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 am.-Noon, FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 372-9163. womenscenterofgreaterlansing.org.

Grace Sacred Music Camp. Week-long instrument instruction. Children 8 to 13. 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. \$25. Grace Lutheran Church, 528 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Lansing.

EVENTS

Construction Zone. All ages. Hands-on construction. 2-3 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

Social Bridge. Come play Bridge and meet new people. 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 & Dan Currie. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-6795. macsbar.com.

Cool Car Nights. Cars, trucks & more. 5-8 p.m. FREE. Downtown Williamston, Grand River Avenue, Williamston. (517) 404-3594. williamston.org.

Club Shakespeare. Rehearsing "Scenes of Shakespeare." 6-8:45 p.m. Donations. CADL Downtown Lansing Library, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 348-

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Out on the town

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5728. cadl.org.

Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 2:30-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918.

A2 Magic Show with Jeff Wawrzaszek. Michigan Magician Jeff Wawrzaszek. Registration is required. 1 p.m., FREE. Dewitt District Library, 13101 Schavey Road, DeWitt. (517) 669-3156. dewittlibrary.org.

MUSIC

Open-Mic Blues Mondays. Play solo, duo, with your band. Spoken word welcome. Drink specials. 6:30-10:30 p.m. FREE. Midtown Brewing Company, 402 Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 977-1349.

MSU Community Music School Musical Theatre Camp. For elementary through high school students. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$220-\$300. MSU Community Music School, East Lansing

Tuesday, July 23

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

Tai Chi & QiGong. Taught by Bruce Ching. Drop ins welcome. 5:45-7 p.m. \$12 per class, \$60 for 6 weeks. ACC Natural Healing and Wellness, 617 Ionia St., Lansing.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Anyone wanting to lose weight is welcome. 7 p.m. FREE to visit. Eaton Rapids Medical Center, 1500 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids. (517) 543-0786.

Intro to Computers. Learn from professionals. 2:30-4 p.m. FREE. Capital Area Michigan Works, 2110 S. Cedar St. Lansing.

Water media. All levels welcome, with Donna Randall. Preregistration required. 6-8:30 p.m. \$50 for four weeks. Gallery 1212 Fine Art Studio, 1212 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 999-1212.

Fenner Field School. Session 1: Wetlands & Native American culture. Grades 3-8. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$400. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224. mynaturecenter.org.

Speakeasies Toastmasters. Become a better speaker. 12:05-1 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Human Services Bldg. 5303 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 887-1440.

Summer Nature Day Camp. Branching Out. Grades K-2. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$140 residents, \$155 non-residents. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224. mynaturecenter.org.

MSU Community Music School Musical Theatre Camp. For elementary through high school students. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$220-\$300. MSU Community Music School, East Lansing.

Healing Hearts. For those who have lost a loved one. 4-5:30 p.m. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave. Lansing. (517) 372-9163. womenscenterofgreaterlansing.org.

Not So Happy Endings Support Group. For women ending relationships. 5:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. Women's Center of Greater Lansing, 1710 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 896-3311.

EcoTrek Fitness Outdoor Group Workouts. 5:45-7 p.m. \$40, five sessions, \$10, single session. Scott Woods Park, 2600 Clifton Ave., Lansing. (517) 243-6538.

Be A Friend First: Anti-Bullying Program. Talk about issues. All girls welcome. 10-11:30 a.m. FREE. 1223 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 742-4751.

Todays Special Program. Eating to protect your skin featuring a five-a-day salad. 5 p.m. FREE. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7400.

Dave Miller Hypnosis Seminar. 7 p.m. Registration, 7:30 p.m. Seminar. Suggested donation \$5. Clinton County Senior Center, 201 East Walker St., St. Johns. (231) 288-5941. DMSeminars.com.

Lansing Area Codependents Anonymous. 5:45-6:45 p.m. Everybody Reads Books and Stuff, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 346-9900.

EVENTS

Tea & Talk. Salon-style discussions. 8 p.m. FREE. Triple Goddess New Age Bookstore, 1824 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 347-2112.

City of East Lansing Play in the Park. Creative Dance with Mary Jane Heppner-Gamble. 7-8 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Court. East Lansing.

Grand River Connection Anniversary. 8th Anniversary celebration. Cash bar & complimentary appetizers. 6-8 p.m. FREE. Dublin Square Irish Pub, 327 Abbot Road, East Lansing. dublinsquare.net.

Food and Fun. Breakfast & lunch. Crafts & activities. Up to 18. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. FREE. Elmhurst Elementary School, 2400 Pattengill Ave., Lansing. (517) 887-6116.

Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 1-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918.

Play in the Park. Creative dance with Mary Jane Heppner-Gamble. 7 p.m. FREE. Valley Court Park, 400 Hillside Court., East Lansing. (517) 319-6823.

MUSIC

Annual Summer Music Series. Rush Hour. At Center Court. 6-8 p.m. FREE. Eastwood Towne Center, 3000 Preyde Blvd. Lansing., (517) 316-9209.

Wednesday, July 24

CLASSES-AND-SEMINARS

Summer Nature Day Camp. Branching Out. Grades K-2. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$140 residents, \$155 non-residents. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. mynaturecenter.org.

Vinyasa Yoga. Taught by Cathy Fitch. Drop ins welcome. 5:30-6:45 p.m. \$12 per class, \$60 six weeks. ACC Natural Healing and Wellness, 617 Ionia St., Lansing. (517) 708-8510.

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

MSU Community Music School Musical Theatre Camp. For all grade levels. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$220-\$300. MSU Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-7661.

Family Storytime. Ages up to 6. Stories, rhymes & activities. 10:30 a.m. FREE. CADL South Lansing Library, 3500 S. Cedar St. Lansing. (517) 272-9840.

Fenner Field School. Session 1: Wetlands & Native American culture. Grades 3-8. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$400. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-4224. mynaturecenter.org.

Drawing Class. All skill levels, with Penny Collins. Pre-registration required. 6-8:30 p.m. \$50 for 4 weeks. Gallery 1212 Fine Art Studio, 1212 Turner St., Lansing. (517) 999-1212.

Eliminating Adult-Onset Disabilities. Learn to design safe, independent aging. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434.

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

EVENTS

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

Strategy Game Night. Learn & share. Strategy game favorites. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Watershed Wellness Center Farmers' Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Watershed Farmer's Market, 16280 National Parkway, Lansing. (517) 886-0440.

Allen Street Farmers Market. 2:30-7 p.m. FREE. Allen Street Farmers Market, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St.,

Lansing. (517) 999-3911.

Grande Paraders. Squares, 7 p.m. Casual attire. 7 p.m. \$3 members, \$4 non-members. Lions Community Park, 304 W. Jefferson St., Dimondale. (517) 694-0087.

Park Cart. Buy nutritious snacks. 1-4 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3918. allenneighborhoodcenter.org/gardenhouse/youthprograms/youthservicecorps/#parkcart.

MUSIC

Sam Winternheimer Quartet. 7-10 p.m. Midtown Beer Company, 402 S. Washington Square, Lansing.

Concert in the Park Series. Root Doctor. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St.,

Lansing. (517) 483-4277.

17th Annual Muelder Summer Carillon Series. Featuring Laura Ellis. 6 p.m. FREE. Beaumont Tower, MSU Campus, East Lansing. music.msu.edu.

LITERATURE-AND-POETRY

Search for the Westmoreland. Shipwreck hunter Ross Richardson visits. 6:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

Book Talk. With Jessica Brockmole, author of "Letters from Skye.", 7 p.m. Schuler Books & Music, 1982 Grand River Ave., Okemos. (517) 349-8840. schulerbooks.com.

BIKRAM YOGA / HALO BURGER



Courtesy photo

Bikram Yoga Capital Area opened in Brookfield Plaza in East Lansing last month. This is the first business for owner/operator Ann Chrapkiewicz. It already has 200 students.



By ALLAN I. ROSS

The downward dog days of summer are upon us. Last month, yoga instructor Ann Chrapkiewicz opened the **Bikram Yoga Capital Area studio** in East Lansing's Brookfield Plaza. This is the first business for Chrapkiewicz.

"Yoga has become such a buzzword," Chrapkiewicz said. "The definition has become very loose. Now it seems every gym has a yoga class, but they can't do what we're doing. I have over 500 hours of training."

Named for its founder, Bikram Choudhury, Bikram yoga consists of 26 postures that are done consecutively in each class. Workouts always take 90 minutes and are performed in 105-degree heat. (This week, Chrapkiewicz can probably just leave the doors open.) She said this style was designed to be easily accessible for beginners and still provide a lifetime of challenge.

"It's not easy for me, and I've been doing it 10 years," Chrapkiewicz said. "Whatever

your body needs, you get."

The 3,600-square-foot location was previously the site of a grocery store. And business seems to be off to a great start: She said there are over 200 students already.

Halo there

There's a new contender in the race for Lansing's best burger. Next month, **Halo Burger**, a fast food chain that started in Flint, will open its 14th Michigan location, in Frandor.

Last week, Jeff Bedolla, vice president of operations of Halo's parent company, Dortch Enterprises, held a job fair on the site of the soon-to-be restaurant to search for qualified employees. The 2,500-square-foot space, formerly the home of **Moto Photo**, will transcend the format to become a "fast casual" restaurant, the second Halo of its kind. (Other fast casual restaurants in town include **Penn Station East Coast Subs and Zoup!**)

The chain's new style was unveiled two months ago in Clarkston. Bedolla said it's been quite a success with new specialty burgers such as black bean burgers and turkey burgers and menu items like the homemade chips and signature "Halo-peno" sauce.

Halo was started in the back of a boxcar in 1923 by

Flint hotelier Sam Blair. In 1938, he hired Bill Thomas, who took company operations six years later. In the early '50s, he started opening other locations in southeast Michigan. It stayed in the Thomas family until 2010, when Dortch bought it.

The success of the Clarkston store inspired Dortch to move forward with the Frandor location.

"Our food is too good to be fast food," he said.

Kali Jo Wolcott contributed to this story.

Bikram Yoga Capital Area

1355 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing
Classes at 6 a.m. Monday and Wednesday; 9:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday; 5:45 p.m. Monday-Friday; 6:45 p.m. Sunday; and 7:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.
\$18 drop-in/\$35 two-week unlimited/other packages available.
bikramyogacapitalarea.com

CORRECTION

Because of a reporting error, "New in Town" on July 3 gave the wrong location of Famous Dave's. It is Holt.

foodfinder

Food Finder listings are rotated each week based on space. If you have an update for the listings, please e-mail food@lansingcitypulse.com.

EASTERN CUISINE

THAI 102° — 225 M.A.C. Ave., East Lansing. 11:30 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Friday. Noon–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 337-8424. thai102.com. TO, D, \$

THAI PRINCESS — 1754 Central Park Drive, Okemos. 11:30 a.m.–9 p.m. Monday–Friday; noon–9 p.m. Saturday; noon–8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 381-1558. thai princessmi.com. TO, OM, RES, WiFi, \$\$

THAI VILLAGE — 400 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 11 a.m.–9 p.m. Monday–Friday; noon–9 p.m. Saturday; closed

Sunday. (517) 371-1000. thaivillage Lansing.com. TO, OM, \$

THAILAND — 401 E. Grand River, Lansing. 11 a.m.–7 p.m. Monday–Friday. (517) 372-8992. TO, \$

UDON SUSHI BAKERY — Korean cuisine. 134 N. Harrison Road, East Lansing. 5 p.m.–3 a.m. Monday–Saturday. (517) 332-5995. TO, WiFi, \$–\$\$

UKAI JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE — Hibachi style grill. 2167 W. Grand River Ave., Okemos. 4 p.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday, 4 p.m.–11 p.m. Friday and

Saturday, noon–9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 349-0820. Second location: 754 Delta Commerce Drive, Lansing. (517) 853-8888. 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m. and 4–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m. and 4–11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; noon–9 p.m. Sunday. iloveukai.com. FB, P, RES, OM, WiFi \$–\$\$\$

WOK AND ROLL — Chinese cuisine. 3050 E. Lake Lansing Rd. Suite 2A. 11 a.m.–10:30 p.m. Monday–Friday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Saturday. (517) 332-1811. TO, OM, D, \$

XIAO CHINA GRILLE & LOUNGE — Asian

fusion grill & sushi bar. 3415 E. Saginaw St., Lansing. 11 a.m.–9:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; noon–9 p.m. Sunday (517) 580-3720 xiaochinagrille.com TO, OM, WiFi, \$\$\$

UPSCALE CUISINE

BISTRO 43 — Upscale dining. 200 M. A. C. Ave, East Lansing. 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m., 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Monday–Friday; 7 a.m.–2 p.m., 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Saturday; 7 a.m.–2 p.m., 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 337-4440. marriot.com/lanea. R, FB, \$\$\$–\$\$\$\$

CAPITAL CITY GRILLE — Located in the Radisson Hotel, Lansing. 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m. and 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Sunday. (517) 267-3459. FB, OM, RES, WiFi, \$\$\$

COPPER DINE & DRINK — Public dining at Walnut Hills Country Club. 2874 E Lake Lansing Road, East Lansing. 11 a.m.–midnight. Monday–Saturday; 11 a.m.–9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 332-1080. copperdine.com. OM, R, P, FB, WiFi, \$\$\$–\$\$\$\$

DUSTY'S CELLAR

— Gourmet food with an extensive wine list. 1839 Grand River Ave., Okemos. Brunch 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Sunday; Lunch 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Monday–Saturday; Dinner 3:30 p.m.–9 p.m. Sunday, 4 p.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday, 4 p.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday. (517) 349-5150. dustyscellar.com, FB, TO, OM, RES, P, \$\$\$

ENGLISH INN — Fine dining in a historic atmosphere. 677 S. Michigan Road, Eaton Rapids. 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. & 5–9 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. & 5–10 p.m. Friday; 5–10 p.m. Saturday; 1–7 p.m. Sunday. (517) 663-2500. englishinn.com, FB, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$\$–\$\$\$\$

GILBERT AND BLAKE'S — Seafood dishes, steaks and pasta. 3554 Okemos Road, Okemos. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday & Saturday; noon–9 p.m. on Sunday. (517) 349-1300. gilbertandblakes.com, FB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$\$

HUMMINGBIRD'S — Full breakfast, lunch and dinner menu. Inside the Best Western Plus Lansing Hotel, 6820 S. Cedar St., Lansing. 6

a.m.–2 p.m., 5 p.m.–10 p.m. daily. (517) 694-8123. FB, TO, RES, P, \$\$\$

KNIGHT CAP — Steaks, seasonal seafood and gourmet items. 320 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. Dining room hours: 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday, 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday, 5 p.m.–11 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday. Bar is open until midnight all six days. (517) 484-7676 theknightcap.com. FB, TO, OM, RES, P, \$\$\$

MITCHELL'S FISH MARKET

— Fresh seafood and bar. 2975 Preyde Blvd., Lansing Charter Twp.. 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–12 p.m. Friday–Saturday; 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. (517) 482-3474. mitchellsfishmarket.com, FB, WB, TO, OM, RES, \$\$\$

P SQUARED WINE BAR

— Small food plates also available. 107 S. Washington Sq., Lansing. 11 a.m.–midnight Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–1 a.m. Friday; noon–1 a.m. Saturday. Closed Sundays. (517) 507-5074. p2winebar.com. WB, OM, \$–\$\$\$

RED CEDAR GRILL

— Assorted American cuisine. 150 E Grand River Ave, Williamston. 11 a.m.–9 a.m. Monday–Wednesday; 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday, Saturday; noon–8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 655-3766. redcedargrill.com. TO, OM, R, FB, \$–\$\$\$\$

RED HAVEN — Eclectic organic and local tapas. 4480 S. Hagadorn Road, Okemos. 5 p.m.–9 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Sundays; 5 p.m.–10 p.m. Thursday–Saturday. Closed Mondays. (517) 332-6960. eatredhaven.com, FB, OM, TO, RES, \$

THE STATE ROOM

— Upscale cuisine, extensive wine list. 219 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing (inside the Kellogg Center). 6:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Sunday, 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday–Saturday. (517) 432-5049. stateroomrestaurant.com, OM, TO, WB, RES, WiFi, \$\$\$

STILLWATER GRILL

— Surf and turf. 3544 Meridian Crossings Drive, Okemos. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Friday, 3 p.m.–10 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m.–9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 349-1500. stillwatergrill.com, FB, WB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$\$

TAVERN 109

— Old-fashioned bar. 115 E. Grand River Ave., Williamston. 11 a.m.–9 p.m. Monday–Wednesday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Thursday–Saturday. 10 a.m.–9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 655-2100. tavern109.com OM, FB, RES, \$–\$\$\$

TAVERN ON THE SQUARE

— Small plates. 206 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 11 a.m.–2 a.m. Monday–Sunday. (517) 374-5555. tavernonthesq.com. FB, TO, RES, P, OM, WiFi, \$\$\$

TROPPO

— 111 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, 11 a.m.–12 a.m. Wednesday–Friday, 4 p.m.–12 a.m. Saturday, Dinner served beginning at 4 p.m. each day. Closed Sundays. (517) 371-4000. troppo.org. FB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$\$

WROUGHT IRON GRILL

— From classic New York strip to coconut lobster. 317 S Elm Street #201, Owosso. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Tuesday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–midnight. Friday, Saturday; noon–8 p.m. Sunday. Closed on Monday. (989)

472-9025. wrought-irongrill.com. TO, OM, D, R, FB, \$–\$\$\$\$

CASUAL FARE

ALTU'S ETHIOPIAN CUISINE — Featuring many vegetarian options. 1312 Michigan Ave., East Lansing. 11 a.m.–9 p.m. Tuesday–Saturday; closed Sunday and Monday. (517) 333-6295. eataltus.com, OM, TO, P, \$.

THE AVENUE CAFE

— American cuisine, handcrafted cocktails and a game room. 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 3 p.m.–2 a.m. daily. (517) 853-0550. facebook.com/avenue-cafe2021. TO, FB, P, WiFi, \$

BAGGER DAVE'S

— Burger tavern. 1351 E. Michigan Ave., East Lansing. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday, 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday–Saturday. (517) 492-5052. FB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$

BEGGAR'S BANQUET

— American cuisine. 218 Abbot Road, East Lansing. 11 a.m.–11:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–midnight Friday; 10 a.m.–midnight Saturday; 10 a.m.–10:30 p.m. Sunday. (517) 351-4540. beggarsbanquet.com. FB, WB, \$.

BIG JOHN STEAK & ONION

— Sub sandwiches. 748 N. Clippert St., Lansing. 10 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday–Thursday, 10 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday. (517) 203-0761. bigjohnsteakandonion.net. TO, \$–\$\$

BLUE GILL GRILL

— Seafood and traditional bar food. 1591 Lake Lansing Road, Haslett. 11 a.m.–2 a.m. Monday–Saturday; 12 p.m.–2 a.m. Sunday. (517) 339-4900. bluegillgrill.com.

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CENTER STAGE RESTAURANT AND LOUNGE — Burgers, pizza and steaks. 1785 W. State Road, Lansing. Noon – 8 p.m. Sunday; 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. Monday; 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. Tuesday – Wednesday; 11 a.m. – midnight Thursday; 11 a.m. – 2 a.m. Friday – Saturday. (517) 482-2280. centerstagelansing.com, FB, \$

CLARA'S LANSING STATION — American comfort food; Sunday brunch. 637 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m.–10 p.m. Sunday. 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Sunday for brunch. (517) 372-7120. claras.com, OM, TO, FB, WiFi, P, RES, \$\$-\$\$\$

CLADDAGH IRISH PUB — 2900 Towne Center Blvd., Lansing Twp. 11 a.m.–midnight Sunday–Thursday; 11 a.m.–2 a.m. Friday–Saturday. (517) 484-2523. claddaghirishpubs.com, FB, WB, OM, TO, \$\$-\$\$\$.

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