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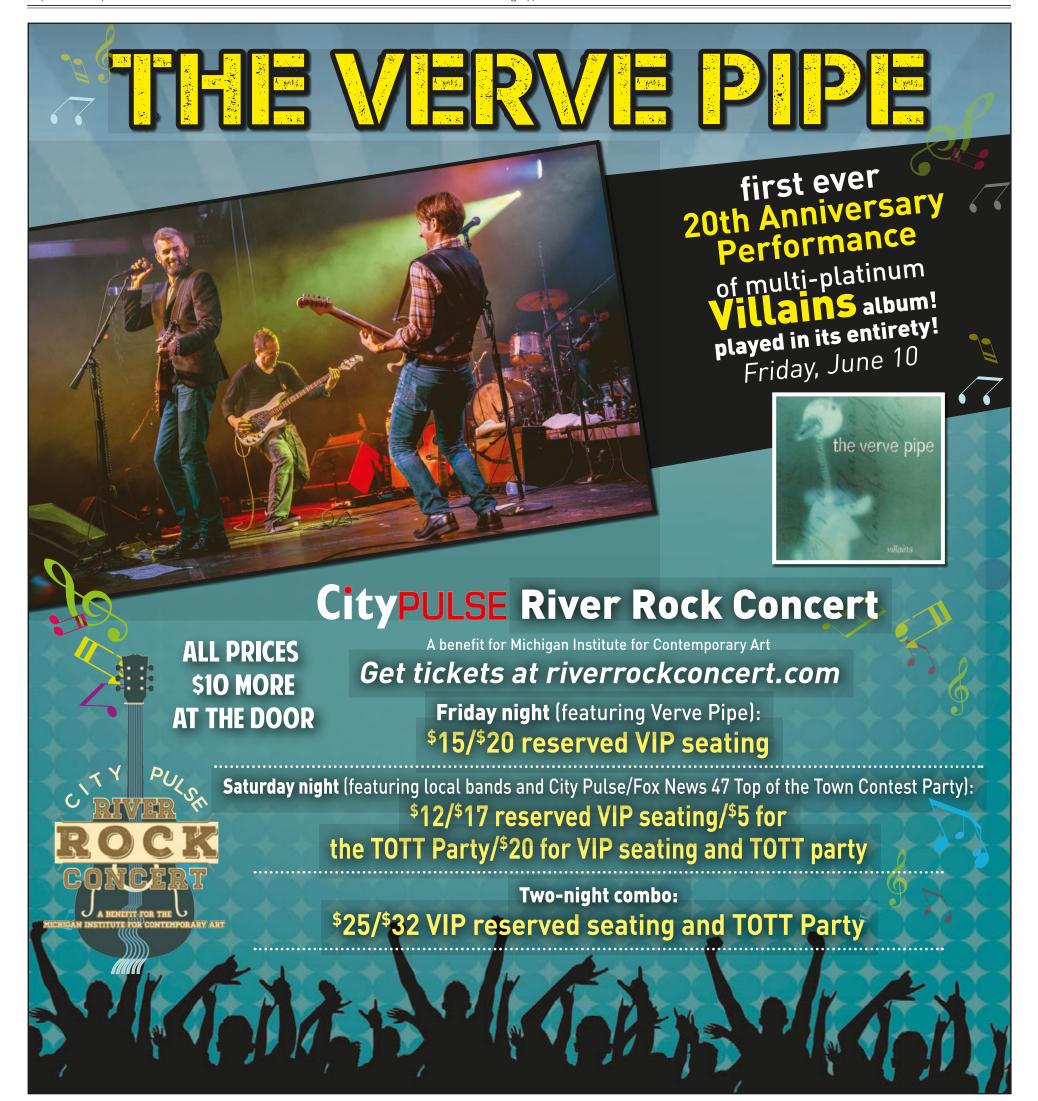
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Corrections

Because of a reporting error, a story on plans for a substation at Scott Park incorrectly reported what Lansing Park Board member Paul Holland had said about how moving the project's eastern wall could affect the future of the sunken garden. What it should have said is Holland said is that the eastern wall of the sunken garden is 40 feet west of where the proposed wall would go. The intent of Holland's statement was that realistically the eastern wall of the substation project could not be moved far enough to save the sunken garden.

Because of a reporting error, a story on Willoughby Park incorrectly identified C.J. Davis. His title is Delhi Township supervisor.



PUBLIC NOTICES

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

HANNAH COMMUNITY CENTER CERAMICS ROOM RELOCATION

CITY OF EAST LANSING 819 ABBOT ROAD **EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN 48823**

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of East Lansing up to 2:00 PM, Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at which time proposals will be publicly opened and read for the furnishing of materials, labor and equipment for relocation of the ceramics room to the Hannah Community Center. Proposals may either be mailed or hand delivered to the Community Center, Attn. Wendy Wilmers Longpre, 819 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI, 48823.

The Contract Documents may be electronically obtained by contacting the Project Architect, MAYOTTEgroup Architects 6240 West Mt. Hope, Lansing, MI 48917, 517-323-0577.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 11:00 A.M at the project site.

The City of East Lansing reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive defects in proposals and to make the award in its own best interest.

> CITY OF EAST LANSING By: Marie Wicks City Clerk

CP#16-115

CITY OF LANSING SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE #1201

Lansing City Council adopted An Ordinance of The City of Lansing, Michigan, to Amend Chapter 888 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by repealing Section 888.32, which provides for a Payment in Lieu of Taxes for a project known as the Abigail.

Effective date: Upon publication

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

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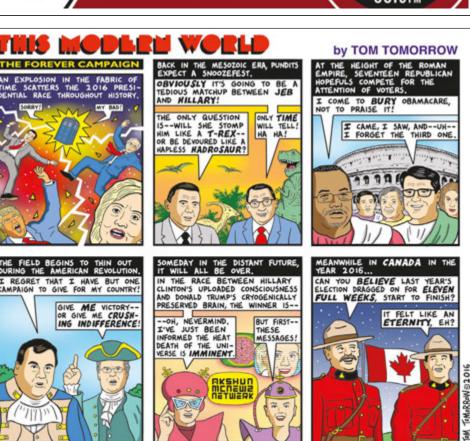
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PULSE NEWS & OPINION

Millage would raise \$9.6M

Chamber, others raise questions over cost of a new animal shelter

The 45-year-old Ingham County Animal Control Shelter is a communicable disease's heaven. The facility shares the same air, resulting in kennel cough. Cats are crowded into community rooms, allowing upper respiratory infections to spread. Dogs are housed across from each other, increasing the stress of an already stressful environment and reducing the animals' immune systems.

"I am a firm believer in the connection between stress and immune function," said John Dinon, the shelter's director. "A shelter is by its nature a stressful environment, but this situation just

adds to it."

Nonetheless some business interests and residents are questioning whether the county should fund and build a

new shelter.

County commissioners want a new millage to replace the animal shelter, built in 1971, and help fund additional customer service staff. They've placed it on the Aug. 2 ballot. But some residents and business interests are questioning if it's all needed.

"I'm not sure there has been enough conversation about this," said Steve Japinga, director of government relations with

tor of government relations with the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Japinga sent a letter to commissioners on April 19, the same day the millage proposal was approved for the Aug. 2 ballot. A county home valued at \$150,000 (meaning its taxable value is \$75,000) would pay \$18 a year more in taxes, raising a projected \$1.6 million a year for six years.

"Before the Board of Commissioners



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While many of the cats who enter the facility are sociable, some simply do not do well in community rooms and have to be kept in cages like this. The ICAC shelter in Mason has one large community room for cats, and a second, smaller one which volunteers and staff created out of a former mop closet.

takes action on levying a new tax, LRCC challenges commissioners to first look at reprioritizing budget 'needs' rather than seeking budget 'wants' which involve asking taxpayers for more money out of their pockets," he wrote. "Like most families and businesses that determine their annual budget, we must prioritize our needs and wants, which require difficult decisions. Our biggest responsibility is to the taxpayers and using their money efficiently and effectively."

In that letter he asked commissioners to consider other options, such as part-



Todd Heywood/Cityy Pulse

The front of the Ingham County Animal Control facility in Mason. The facility was built in 1971 and supporters say it can no longer function safely to continue to care for the county's stray and abandoned animals.

nering with "other interested partners." The Capital Area Humane Society immediately came to mind, he said, when asked which groups might help defray the costs.

By law, county officials are obligated to handle dog licensing, cruelty and neglect investigations and to handle stray and lost animals. The county is not obligated to handle sheltering operations, which include adoptions of animals. That raises the question for Japinga of what has the county done to find partnerships, particularly with organizations like the Capital Area Humane Society?

"I don't want to speak for Julia, but I have had some conversations and it is my opinion that they do not really have the capacity or the willingness to take another 3,000 animals," Dison said of possible partnering with Capital Area Humane Society. The society contracts with both Clinton and Eaton counties to operate animal control and sheltering services. "That is a model that works and I definitely see the logic to it, but I don't think that capacity exists in this community."

But in an email, Julia Willson, the Humane Society's president and CEO, said that was not true.

"CAHS has a strong collaborative relationship with many local animal control agencies. ICAC has demonstrated very little interest in collaborating with our organization," she wrote. "It seems that there are many commissioners in this debate who want to state what CAHS will and won't do for ICAC. CAHS could easily play a much larger role with ICAC animals, and we are happy to do so. To date I have not spoken with any of them."

Willson and County Commissioner Penelope Tsernoglou will meet this week to discuss the proposed millage, as well as potential partnerships, both women said.

The Chamber's perspective was echoed in a post on social media by Lansing City Councilwoman Jody Washington.

"Just my thoughts," she wrote. "Now

a millage for an animal shelter will be on the ballot. Seriously? I like animals as well as the next person, but when we have so many people hurting, a crumbling infrastructure etc. I just can't support an animal shelter millage...Holy cow, at what point do we say enough is enough? I say, I just won't support an animal shelter millage when there are many more pressing needs."

Dinon said not only will the millage provide a new, expanded facility — going from about 8,000 square feet to a proposed 21,000 square feet — but it would also expand staffing and

service delivery.

"In addition to building a new shelter, also gives us some operational money," said Dinon. " And that would allow us to hire enough staff to take better care of the animals and provide better services to the people who come here to the shelter."

Currently the shelter is funded with about \$1 million from the county general fund, and an additional \$700,000 raised through fees, such as adoptions. In addition, the shelter's community support organization provides funding for a volunteer coordinator as well as for some surgeries the county might not otherwise be able to afford. Donations given directly to the county for shelter operations are used to fund an animal cruelty investigator position, Dinon said.

The proposal would allow the shelter to extend its hours to include Sundays. Right now, the facility is closed on Sundays and Mondays.

"Not expanding services to the citizens would be a mistake," he said.

- Todd Heywood



The openness issue

Dunnings' replacement process may be conducted in secret

Just how open the process will be for picking an interim Ingham County prosecutor is up in the air.

On Monday, Chief Circuit Judge Janene Lawless said the names will not be released of the six individuals who have applied to replace Stuart Dunnings III when his resignation becomes effective July 2. A new prosecutor will be elected in November to take office Jan. 1. (see related story, P. 6.)

But by Tuesday, Lawless had a change of mind and said she would announce the six candidates this morning.

That does not mean, however, that the public will be able to observe the process.

Under Michigan law, Lawless and her six Circuit Court colleagues are charged with picking Dunnings' temporary successor.

Lawless contended in an interview Tuesday the process need not be open because the judiciary branch in Michigan is exempt from both the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information acts.

However, Robin Luce-Hermann, an expert on First Amendment law in Michigan and attorney for the Michigan Press Association, said the courts' exemptions do not apply in this case.

Luce-Hermann cited a 1984 Court of Appeals ruling as evidence the transparency laws apply. That ruling — Menominee County Taxpayers Alliance v. Menominee County Clerk — found that when a committee was convened in secret to appoint a new treasurer, it violated the Open Meetings Act.

"We agree that defendants in their collective capacity are not a 'legislative body," a unanimous three-member Appeals Court panel wrote. "However, we disagree that they are not 'a governing body.' Under the statute creating them they are empowered, and in fact required, to perform a governmental function. What could be more obviously governmental than the appointment of a treasurer?"

Substitute "prosecutor" for "treasurer" and you see the issue.

Because this court ruling makes the body a public body, subject to the Open Meetings Act, Luce-Hermann said, she believes it is also subject to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

But Lawless was adamant that the decision could be made behind closed doors, citing a "prior" Supreme Court ruling.

"I have contacted the Supreme Court on that question," she added.

Will the process be secret?

"I don't know if I'd call it secret," she said. "We are going to meet next week," when the openness issue will be on the agenda, albeit in private.

As for public access to future meetings, she said: "It might just depend on the views of the applicants."

Todd Heywood and Berl Schwartz





A dozen choices

Twelve candidates bid to replace **Dunnings as county prosecutor**

Twelve office seekers are knocking on the door of the Ingham County Prosecutor's Office, with six applicants seeking an interim appointment for the rest of this year and six more names on the Aug. 2 primary ballot.

On March 29, longtime prosecutor Stuart Dunnings III notified the county that he would resign the office he has held since 1997, effective July 2. Dunnings was charged

March 14 on multiple prostitution and pandering counts.

His departure leaves a six-month gap until a duly elected prosecutor takes office in January 2017. Ingham County Circuit judges will appoint an interim prosecutor.



Lawless

It's not the first time. It happened in 1986, when Peter Houk, Ingham County prosecutor since 1977, was appointed to the Circuit

However, Circuit Court Chief Judge Janelle Lawless said "this [year] is a little bit more interesting — unfortunately, because of the circumstances of the vacancy — but also that it happens to be an election year as well."

Monday morning, a day after the application deadline, Lawless checked her mailbox one last time for letters and resumes.

"We're not disclosing who has applied, but we had a total of six persons who are interested," she said. In Michigan, the judicial branch is covered by neither the Open Meetings Act nor the Freedom of Information Act.

However, on Tuesday Lawless said she would release the names today. (See related story, P. 5.)

Two well known figures have publicly confessed to applying: former State Sen. Gretchen Whitmer and former District Court Judge Thomas Brennan Jr.

Lawless said the entire Circuit bench will meet privately next week "to discuss the applicants and what our

next process is." "There is no real process or set procedure courts have to follow." Lawless said. "There are seven of us [Circuit judges] here. If you were a county where there were only one judge, that judge would make the appointment."



Whitmer

Whitmer, former Michigan Senate minority leader and a rising star in the state's Democratic Party, is used to perpetual speculation about her political future. Her application for interim prosecutor has been viewed as a possible steppingstone to a future bid for governor or attorney general.

"I've been teaching at the University of Michigan all year and practicing law with Dickinson Wright," a Lansing firm, "and I've immensely enjoyed both," she said. "I have figured out, though, that I really care about public service. I'm always eager to be helpful to the community in which I grew up and I know that about myself."

She said her top priority, if selected, will be to "try to earn back the confidence of the people of the county and to build morale within the office," and to open up communication with the public and the press.

bench thinks are the priorities, I would be interested in being helpful,"

Brennan, the son of Thomas E. Brennan, founder of Cooley Law School and Chief Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, has also applied for the interim position. Brennan, who retired from the 55th District Court in 2004 at age 52, could not be reached for comment.

Brennan has the distinction of being the subject of a rare formal complaint submitted by Michigan's Judicial Tenure Commission to the state Supreme Court. In 1989, the commission censured Brennan for plagiarizing material in an article published in 1987 in the Cooley Law Review.

Meanwhile, four Democrats and two Republicans pack the primary field.

Patrick O'Keefe, 41, who has run his own criminal defense firm in downtown Lansing

for the past two years, is running in the Democratic primary. O'Keefe was an assistant prosecutor in Kent County from 2003 to 2007 and in Ingham County from 2007 to 2013.



Brennan

O'Keefe said he would involve himself more vigorously in the

office's day-to-day affairs than Dunnings did. He wants to reach out to criminal defense lawyers and organization such as the Innocence Project to avoid putting innocent people in jail. He also wants to "hold law enforcement accountable when their actions cross the line."

"There's no greater need for transparency than now," O'Keefe said.

Brian Jackson, also running in the Democratic primary, was Eaton County prosecutor from 2013-14 and worked in the Lansing City Attorney's Office. He practices law, primarily criminal defense, at his own firm.

At 32, Jackson is the youngest candidate in the field, which he considers an asset. He said the current criminal justice system is failing and he would introduce a "progressive way of prosecuting."

Billie Jo O'Berry, running in the Republican primary, said she would "prioritize cases and focus on serious repeat offenders."

O'Berry has served in the Lansing City "To the extent that's what the Circuit Attorney's Office for 29 years, working under five city attorneys and three interim city attorneys. She works chiefly as a prosecutor for the city.

> O'Berry, Jackson and O'Keefe all praised the county's growing number of diversion programs and specialty courts, including sobriety courts in Lansing and Mason, Judge Thomas Boyd's Mental Health Court in Ingham County's 55th District Court and East Lansing's 54-B Veteran's Court, which O'Keefe would like to expand throughout the county.

> Jackson said he has carefully studied "school to prison pipeline" and strongly favors alternatives to mass incarceration.

> "I'm not trying to hammer people to the point where they can't re-enter and become successful citizens again, especially young people, first offenders and non-violent crimes," Jackson said.

> O'Berry said specialty courts and diversion programs are "invaluable tools" for a prosecutor. In 1975, O'Berry helped establish the first Ingham County pre-trial diversion program and has run Lansing's diversion program since 1987.

> O'Keefe said he strongly supports "taking a common problem such as alcoholism or substance abuse and treating it in a different way than just locking people up and throwing away the key."

> Three remaining candidates in the Aug. 2 primary did not respond to emailed requests for interviews.

> Carol Siemon, of East Lansing, running in the Democratic primary, worked in the Ingham County Prosecutor's Office from 1983 to 1995, heading the juvenile division. Siemon, 59, has specialized in child welfare and juvenile justice programs in the public and private sectors as an attorney and consultant.

> Thomas English of Lansing, running in the Democratic primary, is a 60-year-old retired administrative law judge and former U.S. Army judge advocate.

> Monica Stephens of Lansing, running in the Republican primary, was an assistant prosecutor in Jackson County until she left the office last November, according to a Jackson County staffer. Stephens is listed as a Jackson attorney specializing in children's rights.

Lawrence Cosentino



PUBLIC NOTICES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS EAST LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given of the following public hearings to be held by the East Lansing Planning Commission on May 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the 54-B District Court, Courtroom 2, 101 Linden Street, East Lansing

- 1. A public hearing will be held to consider Ordinance 1371, an application from EL 16, LLC to rezone the properties at 136, 134 and 122 Durand Street from R- 2, Medium Density Single-Family Residential to RM-32, City Center Multiple-Family Residential.
- 2. A public hearing will be held to consider an application from EL 16, LLC for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for the properties at 136, 134 and 122 Durand Street. The applicant is proposing to demo the house at 136 Durand and construct a three-story triplex, each unit will have 7 bedrooms. Additionally, between 134 and 122 Durand the applicant is proposing to add a 2.5 story addition to the existing building while performing major renovations to the original portion of the building. The properties are located in the R-2 Medium Density-Single Family Residential
- 3. A public hearing will be held to consider an application from Mark Terry, for a Special Use Permit for the property at 343 M.A.C Avenue. The applicant is proposing to change the existing use to a Class B Multiple-Family use to allow a license for 7 persons. The property is zoned RM–32, City Center Multiple Family Residential.

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

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

Marie E. Wicks City Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICES

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN NOTICE OF POSTING OF TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

On April 27, 2016, the following minutes of the proceedings of the Meridian Township Board were sent

Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road Meridian Township Service Center, 2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court Hope Borbas Ökemos Branch Library, 4321 Okemos Road Haslett Branch Library, 1590 Franklin Street Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road Snell Towar Recreation Center, 6146 Porter Ave and the Township Web Site www.meridian.mi.us.

March 24, 2016 Joint Meeting April 5, 2016 Regular Meeting

BRETT DREYFUS. CMMC TOWNSHIP CLERK

CP#16-117

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF LETTING OF DRAIN CONTRACT AND DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

STIMSON DRAIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, Patrick E. Lindemann, Ingham County Drain Commissioner, will receive construction bids on **Wednesday**, **May 25**, **2016** at the Ingham County **Drain Commissioner's Office**, **located at 707 Buhl Avenue**, **Mason**, **Michigan**, **48854**, **until 2:00 p.m**. Bids will then be opened and publicly announced for the construction of a certain drain known and designated as the "Stimson Drain." Bids must be delivered to 707 Buhl Avenue, Mason, MI 48854 within the time frames listed above in accordance with the Bidding Documents.

The Drain project consists of the installation of enclosed storm sewer, drainage structures, infiltration swales, culverts, site clearing, detention basin excavation, and road construction work including base aggregate, HMA crushing and shaping, HMA paving, driveway approaches, sidewalk and sidewalk ramps. Maintenance and improvement of said Drain is described as follows in eight sections, each section having the length, average depth and width as set forth:

Open storm drain construction north of Dell Road as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 1 to 2 feet, beginning at Station No. 2+00 and extending to Station No. 11+38.

Enclosed storm drain construction along Aurelius Road as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 8 to 12 feet, beginning at Station No. 61+68 and extending to Station No. 85+54.

Enclosed storm drain construction along East Norwood Avenue as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 5 to 9 feet, beginning at Station No. 0+83 and extending to Station No. 5+73.

Enclosed storm sewer construction south of East Norwood Avenue as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 3 to 8 feet, beginning at Station No. 10+10 and extending to Station No. 11+73.

Enclosed storm drain construction along North Vernon Avenue as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 4 to 5 feet, beginning at Station No. 1+10 and extending to Station No. 5+00.

Enclosed storm drain construction along Monroe Street as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 4 to 14 feet, beginning at Station No. 0+90 and extending to Station No. 7+85.

Enclosed storm drain construction west of Aurelius Road in Autumnwood Condominium as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 5 to 10 feet, beginning at Station No. 1+18 and extending to Station No. 4+19.

Detention basin construction east of Aurelius Road and west of Brigantine Drive as shown on the Drawings, cuts of 1 to 10 feet, approximately 2.5 acres of grading work.

All stations are 100 feet apart.

In the construction, maintenance and improvement of said Drain, the project consists of furnishing all supplies, installation and construction of the following quantities for major items of work and character of tile or pipe, with appurtenances, and the contract let for the same. The following quantities are approximate and only the major items of work are listed, refer to the Bidding Documents for final bid quantities. Final payment will also be made on measured quantities as constructed:

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Alternate No. 1 - Aurelius Rd. 2" mill and fill

Estimated Qty Units Description 7,000 SYD HMA Surface, Rem

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There will be no (0) bridges and no (0) drain culverts constructed (only driveway culverts) as part of the project.

There is one contract being let for all construction, which will include all material necessary to perform the work. This contract will be let in accordance with the Contract Documents now on file in the office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner and available to interested parties. Bids will be made and received in accordance with these documents.

Plans and Bidding Documents are on file, and may be examined at the following locations after Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. local time at Eng., Inc., 4063 Grand Oak Drive, Suite A109, Lansing, Michigan 48911, (517) 887-1100 or also at the Ingham County Drain Commissioner's Office, located at 707 Buhl Avenue, Mason, Michigan, 48854.

Complete Bidding Documents may only be obtained after Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the office of Eng., Inc., the Project Engineer, at 4063 Grand Oak Drive, Suite A109, Lansing, Michigan, 48911, upon payment of a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit. An additional non-refundable charge of \$10.00 will be required for sending out Bidding Documents.

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference will be held on **Wednesday**, **May 11**, **2016** at **10:00** a.m. local time at the Ingham County Department of Roads, Board Room (Administrative Building), 301 Bush Street, Mason, Michigan 48854. Representatives of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project and Bidding Documents. Prospective Bidders are required to attend and participate in the pre-bid conference. All prospective Bidders must sign in by name of attendee, business represented, and email address. Prospective Bidders who fail to attend and register at the pre-bid conference will be considered non-responsive and will be disqualified from bidding on the Contract. The Engineer will transmit to all prospective Bidders of record such Addenda as the Engineer considers necessary in response to questions. Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective.

This Contract will be let in accordance with the Contract Documents now on file in the Office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner and available to interested parties. Bids will be made and received in accordance with these documents. Contract will be made with the lowest responsible Bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work and meeting all qualifications outlined in the Bidding Documents. I reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and to adjourn such bid letting to such time and place as I shall publicly announce.

The date for the Substantial Completion of such contract is 120 Calendar Days, with the date for the Final Completion being 160 Calendar Days, upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed for the Contract. The terms of payment are contained in the contract specifications. The payments for the above-mentioned work will be required to deposit bid security in the amount specified in the bidding documents as a guarantee that they will enter into a contract and furnish the required bonds as prescribed by the contract specifications and applicable law. All bids shall remain open for ninety (90) days after the day of the bid opening, but I reserve the right at my sole discretion to release any bid and bid security before that date.

DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that on **Tuesday**, **June 7**, **2016**, the apportionments for benefits to the lands comprised within the "Stimson Drain Special Assessment District," will be subject to review for one day from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the **Ingham County Drain Commissioner's Office**, **Iocated at 707 Buhl Avenue**, **Mason**, **Michigan**, **48854** or at such other time and place to which I may adjourn. At the meeting to review the apportionment of benefits, I will have the tentative apportionments against parcels and municipalities within the drainage district available to review. At said review, the computation of costs for the Drain will also be open for inspection by any interested parties.

Pursuant to Section 155 of the Michigan Drain Code of 1956, any owner of land within the drainage district or any city, village, township, district or county feeling aggrieved by the apportionment of benefits made by the Drain Commissioner may appeal the apportionment within ten (10) days after the day of review of apportionment by making an application to the Ingham County Probate Court for the appointment of a Board of Review.

Any drain assessments against land will be collected in the same manner as property taxes. If drain assessments against land are collected by installment, the landowner may pay the assessments in full with any interest to date at any time and thereby avoid further interest charges. For more information regarding payment of assessments, please contact my office.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the Special Assessment District of the Stimson Drain, as well as a list of any county, township, city, village and state department to be assessed at large:

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Politics and dirty water

Flint crisis a windfall for Schuette As AG looks toward governor's race

People are poisoned. Government workers face criminal charges. Gov. Rick Snyder is vilified, his reputation shredded.

For everyone but Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette, the lead contami-



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nated water crisis in Flint is a disaster. For Schuette, it's a political gift.

Schuette is positioning himself to succeed Snyder, mostly by pandering to the state's rightest of right-wing factions. He opposes marriage equality, hiring his for-

mer solicitor gGeneral to argue his case in the U.S. Supreme Court. And lost. He used his department to try and overturn the Affordable Care Act. Another loss. Ignoring a Supreme Court ruling that life sentences for juveniles convicted of murder are unconstitutional, he fought to retain what justices deemed "cruel and unusual punishment" for youths already convicted in state courts. And he lost again.

By announcing criminal charges last week against two state employees and a Flint city worker, Schuette is refashioning his partisan image. They provide a populist plank for his expected gubernatorial run in 2018. Targeting unelected government bureaucrats should help Michigan's ultimate political insider -aformer congressman, judge and now AG — to pose as an outsider, the fashionable vote-trolling strategy employed by Donald Trump and Ted Cruz.

Right now, Schuette's "Defender of Flint" initiative is a political winner. But what he'll have to address eventually is why he waited so long. His lack of action is as indefensible as Snyder's. Problems with Flint's water surfaced immediately after the city's emergency managers ordered that it be sourced from the Flint River rather from the Detroit. That was in April 2014. By October, General Motors had stopped using Flint water because it was corroding its machines.

Starting in spring 2014, The Flint Journal and Michigan Public Radio reported on the taste, color and contamination of Flint water. The Detroit Free Press and Detroit News wrote about the problems in January 2015. Schuette and his staff followed these reports and had the expertise and authority to investigate. And did nothing.

It wasn't until January 2015 - 21months after the water crisis began that Schuette announced that his department would investigate the Flint contamination to determine whether Michigan laws were violated.

Until this winter, Flint — an impoverished Democratic city — just wasn't a priority. It's not a city where the attorney general invests much political capital or gets much support. He received just 42 percent of the vote compared with Democrat Mark Totten's 55 percent in the 2014 election.

Schuette's office cranks out scores of investigations each year, most of them much less serious than what happened in Flint. During the months he did nothing about Flint these are some of the actions he highlights on his website as noteworthy. Some examples:

- In January 2015, Schuette issued a consumer alert to advise Michigan citizens who have the goal of adopting a healthier lifestyle in 2015 how to make educated choices about health club and fitness center memberships.
- In August 2015, he issued a letter to the governors of all 50 states urging them to impose state-based sanctions against Iran.
- In September 2015, along with the now discredited Department of Environmental Quality director, Dan Wyant, Schuette promoted his participation in an agreement with Enbridge Partners L.P. banning heavy crude oil from the pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac. Enbridge has never used the line for heavy crude.

There were of course, real law enforcement successes, mixed in with these political stunts. But there was definitely enough flab in the attorney

general's operation to shift some investigative and legal talent to the crisis unfolding in Flint.

Incredibly, even the emergence of Legionnaires' disease, which came to the attention of state officials in early 2015, didn't merit attention. To date,12 people are thought to have contracted the disease and died from Flint River water.

The political opportunity wasn't as obvious then as it is now, and Schuette has promised that more charges are coming. He's set aside \$1.5 million for an investigation headed by special prosecutor Todd Flood and former FBI Agent Andy Arena. The appointment of Flood, a former Wayne County prosecutor, immediately raised the issue of cronyism. According to reporting by MLive's Emily Lawler, "Flood's donations to Schuette came in 2010, 2013 and 2014 and totaled \$10,200. In 2013 Flood exceeded the legal contribution $\lim_{\to} 1 - 3,400$, at the time — and Schuette's campaign issued a refund."

Additional charges could mean targeting more officials from the Snyder administration. The governor has been weakened by the scandal and there is little risk and much reward for Schuette leveling charges at more senior officials. Undercutting Snyder and his people particularly Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, a potential gubernatorial rival — makes political sense. And it also may provide some measure of justice, some much needed accountability, for the state's crimes against the people of Flint.

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ARTS & GULTURE

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Art flood New monthly art event kicks off Friday in Old Town

By TY FORQUER

An ArtPrize for Lansing? Well, let's not get carried away. There are no \$200,000 cash prizes at stake this weekend. But the Arts Council of Greater Lansing is hoping that its latest creation will infuse the arts scene with new energy — and maybe infuse the business scene with some fresh capital in the process.

Arts Night Out 5 p.m. Friday, May 6 FREE Old Town, Lansing (517) 372-4636, myartsnightout.com

Arts Night Out, a new monthly art event organized by the Arts Council of Greater Lansing, kicks off Friday in Old Town. Modeled after events like

Grand Rapids' ArtPrize and Kalamazoo's Art Hop, the event matches retail spaces and art galleries with visual, musical and spoken word artists. While those two events are sprawling, citywide affairs, the Arts Council of Greater Lansing is starting with a smaller

"We're adapting it by going to distinct neighborhoods," said Kaitlin Lapka, Arts Night Out organizer. "We want to make it really dense and saturated and walkable so we can experience that level of excitement but in really concentrated areas."

Friday's event focuses on Old Town, where the Arts Council's headquarters are located. The event will travel to different neighborhoods, but will return to Old Town every other month.

"For our pilot year, we're looking at four neighborhoods - Old Town, REO Town, downtown Lansing and downtown East Lansing — and we're going to rotate through them," Lapka explained. "But every other month we'll come back to Old Town. That's our home base. It will help us establish the routine and see how this event works."

The event will be held on the first Friday of each month. Next month, the event moves to East Lansing.

The Arts Council has 26 Old Town businesses signed up to participate in the kickoff event. Offerings include a concert with Jen Sygit & the Ukulele Kings at Elderly Instruments, a meet-and-greet with glass artist Craig Mitchell Smith in his studio and screenings of "Second Shift" at Message-

"Businesses, especially in Old Town, are already up for these ideas," Lapka said. "They know that in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids, events like this bring in a lot of money to the businesses and to the downtowns. People are definitely into it."

Even Terry, CEO of MessageMakers, will show off his artistic side with an exhibit at the Old Town Professional Building, iust south of the former Temple Club.

"It's going to be a great spot to have a show," Terry said. "I have quite a bit of space."

His exhibit will include a variety of mediums, including acrylic paintings, pastel



drawings, digitally altered photography and found object sculptures. His love of art goes back to his youth.

"I started helping my father in his darkroom before I was in kindergarten," he said.

While a student at MSU's James Madison College, Terry created multimedia shows for Abrams Planetarium and co-produced "The Electric Way," an experimental television show. While he settled into a more businessfocused career, he has continued to foster his artistic side. Having an office in Old Town has helped him connect with local artists.

"I've been hanging around the arts

community for a long time," Terry said.

Kimberly Lavon, who operates a studio/ gallery in East Lansing, will make linoleum block prints on the spot at Turner Mini Park from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Lavon recently completed her self-published book, "Exquisite Corpse: How to Make a Sugar Skull Monotype." She will give away a limited number of commemorative Arts Night Out prints and will also have her own art prints for sale.

"If you can imagine an Emeril Lagasse cooking demonstration, but for art, that's

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Local '80s cover band Triple Lindy opens for the Verve Pipe at the frist-ever City Pulse River Rock Concert, June 10 at Adado Riverfront Park.

Dive into the '80s

Cover band Triple Lindy to open for Verve Pipe at River Rock Concert By TY FORQUER

Before the Verve Pipe takes the stage June 10 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its 1996 platinum-selling album, "Villains," local cover band Triple Lindy will take the audience on a detour through

Triple Lindy started out about four years ago, with lead singer Brian Westrin and drummer Nick Parisian sitting over cocktails talking about how much they enjoy the guilty pleasures of the '80s.

"The '80s bands that were working in Lansing had done a great job of building the nostalgia, but there were still a lot of bands that did not get covered regularly

City Pulse River Rock Concert/Top of the Town Party

June 10-11 Friday night (featuring the Verve Pipe): \$15/\$20 reserved VIP seating Saturday night (Top of the Town Party): \$12/\$17 reserved VIP seating/\$5 for the TOTT Party/\$20 for VIP seating and TOTT party
Two-night combo: \$25/\$32 VIP reserved seating and TOTT Party
Concert tickets \$10 more at Adado Riverfront Park,

the door riverrockconcert.com

— the new wave bands and stuff like that, Westrin said." So he and Pa-

risian set out to build a set list that would hit some of the lesser-covered '80s fare.

"I come from the new wave side Duran Duran, the Smiths, Echo & the Bunnymen

- that's where my interest is," Westrin said. "But we have guys in the band who really like to rock it out with Van Halen

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what it will be like," Lavon said.

Working in Greater Lansing, Lavon has watched with jealousy as events like Art Hop and ArtPrize thrived in other cities. She's hoping a Lansing-centric event will energize the art scene here.

"Turning the whole neighborhood into an art gallery is brilliant," Lavon said. "We have so many creatives in Lansing, but we didn't have this kind of event."

Like Art Hop or ArtPrize, there's no check-in point or rigid schedule.

"You just come into Old Town, and the experience starts there," Lapka said. "There's nothing to pay; there's no specific place to start."

But there will be some guidance.

"We will be handing out maps of the neighborhood, which will have a list of all the participating businesses, and there will be flags on every store," Lapka said. "You can just go into each store and see what's going on, see what art they have."

Grand Rapids band Desmond Jones will cap the festival with a 7:45 p.m. performance at Turner Mini Park. The five-piece band, known for its improvisational jam band style, got its start in East Lansing.

On the April 22 episode of "City Pulse Newsmakers," Deborah Mikula, Arts Council of Greater Lansing executive director, and Katrina Daniels, program director of Old Town's MICA gallery, explained that this event has been years in the making.

"Two years ago, Katrina was one of several gallery owners who began to ask, 'If we could do some sort of event that would bring the visual, the performing and the literary arts together, in a walkable, neighborhood setting, what would that look like?" Mikula said. "For the past couple of years, we've been planning, molding and shaping, looking at other models. We wanted to create an event that connects all of our artists with all of our downtowns."

At the same time, Daniels started shifting her events away from Sundays — traditional gallery walk days in Greater Lansing — to Thursdays and Fridays.

"At MICA, I noticed that for Sunday gallery walks, we weren't getting a huge crowd in," Daniels said. "I started moving MICA's events to those nights and started to do community collaborations with Lansing Bike Party and Soup Spoon Cafe and local musicians. The numbers that we were reaching were astronomically higher, and it was pretty instantaneous."

Daniels is excited about how Arts Night Out will bring people into neighborhoods they may have never visited.

"We're going to flood this area with people who have never come here before," she said. "And it's walkable, so you can park your car or take the bus or take your bike over. The energy is going to be high."

Triple Lindy

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and the hair band stuff."

Westrin recruited his friend and longtime musical collaborator, multi-instrumentalist Peter Mowry. The duo has released five albums together and their latest disc, "Rogues," will be released online May 13. Rounding out the band is guitarist Nate Schuiling and bassist Kyle Hoke.

"Kyle plays in 17 bands, as far as I can tell," joked Westrin. "He's always playing."

Triple Lindy opens for the Verve Pipe June 10 at the first-ever City Pulse River Rock Concert. The two-day event is a fundraiser for MICA, which produces Lansing JazzFest and Michigan Bluesfest.

"The Verve Pipe was sort of the

soundtrack for my youth," Westrin said.
"When I was in high school and college,
the Verve Pipe were really hitting their
peak. I'm excited to share the stage with
those guys."

Nick Eyde is project developer for the Eyde Co., which is sponsoring the Triple Lindy performance. When he heard that the Verve Pipe was performing at the River Rock Concert, he suggested Triple Lindy as an opener.

"It felt like a good fit," he said. "I've known those guys for a long time, and they are guys that were raised here in Lansing. And you can't beat the '80s."

The inspiration for Triple Lindy's name came from the '80s, but it's not a musical reference.

"Triple Lindy is the dive that Rodney Dangerfield does in 'Back to School.' It was thought to be an impossible dive, and of course Rodney Dangerfield pulls it off at the end of the movie," Westrin said. "He's one of our favorite comedians, and it's one of our favorite movies."









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Coming 'round the bend

City Pulse hosts second annual Kentucky Derby Party

By TY FORQUER

Lansing residents have a chance to watch "the most exciting two minutes in sports" on the big screen Saturday as

City Pulse Kentucky Derby Party

Hosted by City Pulse and Midtown Brewing Co. Doors open at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 7 Reserved seating available for \$25 per person, minimum table of four; call Suzi Smith at (517) 999-6704 for reservations Midtown Brewing Co 402 S. Washington Square, Lansing

City Pulse and Midtown Brewing Co. team up to host the second annual City Pulse Kentucky Derby Party, featuring specialty prizes drinks, and complimentary food.

Marc Wolbert, general manager at Midtown Brewing Co., is excited to bring the party back to downtown Lan-

(517) 977-1349,

midtownbrewingco.com

"Last year's event was great," he said. "We had an incredible number of people come out."

Attendees can watch the race on Midtown Brewing Co.'s two big screens and new sound system. Last year's party filled the bar to capacity. Reserved seating - including a free specialty beverage and complimentary mint julep glass — is available this year for \$25 per person, with a minimum table of four.

Midtown Brewing Co. is creating some special bourbon-based drinks for the occasion, as well as a gin-based drink for those who are looking for something dif-

"It's so light and refreshing," Wolbert said. "It's going to be a huge hit."

And, of course, there will be mint juleps. "You can't have a Kentucky Derby party without mint juleps," Wolbert said.

A complimentary buffet table will feature fresh salads and Kentucky-inspired fare, including burgoo, a spicy stew that is a staple of bluegrass state gatherings.

"It's like a Kentucky chili," Wolbert said. Attendees will also have a chance to

take home some Kentucky Derby-themed gifts. Every paid admission includes entry into a drawing for a silver-plated engraved mint julep cup. Those who correctly pick the horses who win, place and show will be entered into a drawing for bottles of Kentucky bourbon. Special prizes are also awarded for best dressed male and best dressed female.

"I'm really looking forward to a great event," Wolbert said.

CURTAIN CALL

Interfacing with recovery

'Water by the Spoonful' explores addiction in the digital age **By TOM HELMA**

We rarely look beneath the surface to see, to really understand, what's going on inside a person addicted **Review** to drugs.

In "Water by the Spoonful," written by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Quiara Alegría Hudes, we

"Water by the Spoonful"

Peppermint Creek Theater Co. 8 p.m. Thursday, May 5-Saturday, May 7 \$15/\$10 students and seniors Miller Performing Arts Center 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing (517) 927-3016, peppermintcreek.org

are introduced to four characters in recovery from cocaine addiction - and what a cast of characters they are. Led by Internet mistress Odessa Ortiz (Oralya Garza), we enter the wormhole of cyberspace to listen to stories of four unique individuals trying to stay away from the

dreaded crack.

These characters expose their sufferings, their existential loneliness and their social anxiety - all through an online chatroom for recovering addicts.

The four key characters are known by screen names used in the anonymous chatroom. Rico Bruce Wade is Chutes and Ladders, an IRS techie lost in the cubicles of bureaucracy. He gradually connects with Orangutan (Amanda Harvey). We see the challenges of brittleness and super-sensitivity present in their characters' relationship.

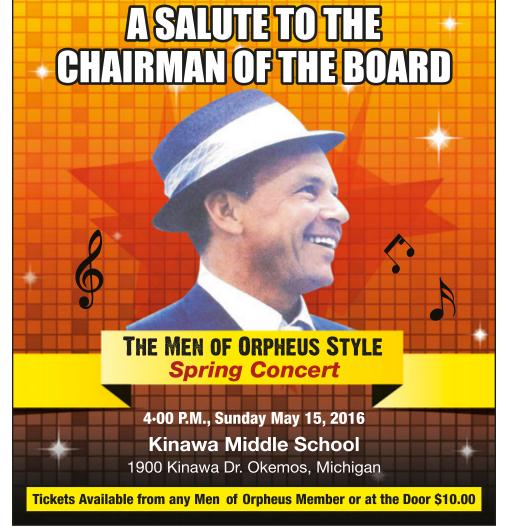
Odessa is a world-weary web mistress, screen name Haikumom, who has spent years in recovery and mediates the chatroom. She cajoles, confronts, and challenges the anonymous members of this digital domain. When she crashes, overwhelmed by her sister's death, there is a tender moment where a newbie member of the group, Fountainhead (Jeff Croff) talks with her and nurses her back to health. In real life, Fountainhead is a self-important businessman whose addiction is a secret to everyone. When he reaches out to assist Ortiz, it is a transforming moment.

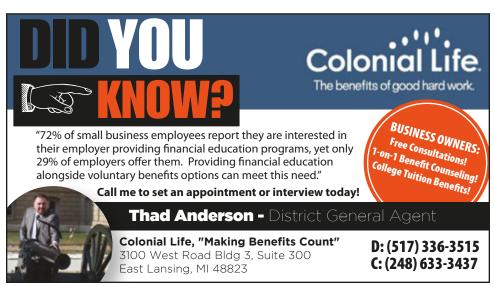
There are two other major characters in this play, involved in a separate plot that, at first, has nothing to do with the recovering addicts. Elliot (DJ Shafer) is an Iraq War veteran with PTSD that haunts him in the form of visions of an Iraqi man pleading with him in Arabic. Yaz (Alexandria Cliff) is a university lecturer. We eventually learn that they are related to Odessa.

Action on the stage swings back and forth between these two scenarios, and only near the end of Act I do they intersect. When Ginny - Yaz's mother and Odessa's sister — dies unexpectedly, the two scenarios are thrown together. The death triggers Odessa's near-fatal over-

Shafer and Cliff create a family bond on stage, with Cliff bringing lightness to the heavy storyline and Shafer adding intense, raging agitation to an already dark and labyrinthine plot.

We come to realize that addiction is an emptiness disease, something that often happens when people cannot navigate healthy emotional connections with others. It's a biological vulnerability exacerbated by emotional issues.





Boots and guitars

Gore Gore Girls return to Lansing By RICH TUPICA

For almost 20 years, the Gore Gore Girls have combined the attitude of '60s girl-groups with the powerful rock 'n' roll the Motor City is known for. Think the Ronettes meets Iggy & the Stooges. And while the

Gore Gore Girls at Mac's Bar

with Choke Chains, Narc Out the Reds and Sidewatcher 8 p.m. Thursday, May 5 \$15/\$13 adv. 18+ Mac's Bar 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing (517) 484-6795, macsbar.com band earned a following in Detroit's legendary garage-rock scene throughout the late 1990s and 2000's, the outfit actually got its start in Lansing at Mac's Bar back in 1997.

Coming up in the same circuit as the White Stripes and the Dirtbombs, the Gore Gore Girls have performed around the

world, scoring a cult following and critical praise along the way. USA Today said the Bloodshot Records-signed band sounds like the "gum-popping, guitar-toting grand-daughters of Chuck Berry and the Beach Boys." For the first time since 2008, the Gore Gore Girls return to Mac's Bar Thursday. Opening is Choke Chains, a snarling rock

outfit lead by guitarist/vocalist Thomas J. Potter, formerly of the legendary Lansing-based blues/punk duo Bantam Rooster.

Vocalist/guitarist Amy Gore chatted with City Pulse about her band's revival and its days on the road with the Cramps.

What do you recall about your earliest gigs? How do they compared to now?

The first Gore Gore Girls show was actually at Mac's Bar. The second show was at the Gold Dollar opening for the Detroit Cobras. The early shows were beer-soaked, amateurish, full-of-attitude performances. I could barely play my instrument. Now I play either sober or with one beverage that I barely finish. It's more exciting to feel everything raw, not numbed. The rush — the power of my band behind me and the connection with the audience — is the best feeling.

Why has it been so long since you've been to Lansing?

Gore Gore Girls took a nap from 2008 until recently. The band never broke up, we just stopped playing. I did a project with Nikki Corvette called Gorevette. We toured Japan and then did some dates in the U.S. with Blondie. I released a solo album in 2012 as Amy Gore & Her Valentines. I'm thrilled to play with Gore Gore Girls again, my first love.

How many tours have you been on?

The first tour the band did was opening for the Cramps. We toured as their direct support from 2003 to 2005, depending on what shows they needed us for. Then we toured over 200 shows in support of our album, "Get the Gore," between 2007 and 2008. We did tours in the U.S., Scandinavia and Europe. The band has also toured with Eagles of Death Metal, Southern Culture on the Skids, Reverend Horton Heat and even opened for Sugar Ray, which was surreal and hilarious. They are fun guys. We just returned from playing Mexico City for the first time in years and the shows were packed.

Touring with an iconic band like the Cramps must've been unreal. How was that?

Lux and Ivy (of the Cramps) were like the band's cool aunt and uncle. We loved them. I was in awe the entire time. The Cramps tour shaped me as a performer and a business person. I remember in New Orleans I was arguing with the sound man about having a sound check. Ivy took me aside and told me, "Put having a sound check on your rider." I didn't know what a rider was. We didn't have an agent or anything. I rented a minivan for us and we drove cross-country with our boots and guitars. Lux took photos of us every night and sent them to me as 3-D slides

with 3-D glasses after the tour was over. It was a magical experience. I miss them dearly.



Courtesy Photo

Amy Gore, vocalist/guitarist of allfemale rock outfit the Gore Gore Girls, brings her band to Lansing Thursday for a show at Mac's Bar.

CROWDSOURCING A GUIDE TO LANSING-AREA ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS

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Craig's Surgery Relief Fund

gofundme.com/wjjesavn

Craig Doepker has been serving up whiskey shots and PBRs at Mac's Bar for years. The popular bartender made the Final Five in this year's Top of the Town contest in both Best Bartender and Best Club DJ categories. But last month, Doepker found out he would need to step away from the bar for a while.

Last month, Doepker had double hernia surgery, which meant at least two weeks off from his post behind the bar. Several community members heard about Doepker's situation and decided to help him out.

Lansing's Last Call and Michigan Shirt Works, in collaboration with friends and coworkers, set up a gofundme campaign to help Doepker pay his medical bills and help make up for the lost income while he is recovering. All of the funds raised go directly to Doepker. Contributors can also help by buying a "Craig's Magical Tragical Mystery Tour" shirt — featuring the mustached bartended riding a unicorn — from Michigan Shirt Works' web-

site. There is no deadline for the campaign. To date, the campaign has raised nearly \$1,000 for Doepker's expenses.

I-Cord EZ Knitter

indiegogo.com/projects/i-cord-ez-knitter

While entrepreneurship can often seem like a young man's game, a group of baby boomers are hoping to buck that trend with a new venture, Retro Recreations. Pegg Ainslie, Elizabeth Gibbs, Karl McCormick and Cindy McCormick are the creative minds behind Retro Recreations and its flagship product, the I-Cord EZ Knitter.

An i-cord, in knitting, is made by knitting yarn into a thicker, rope-like tube that can be used for handles, edging or other applications. While not especially difficult, making I-cord by hand can be time consuming.

The I-cord EZ knitter seeks to simplify this process. The device, which is powered by a simple hand crank, automates the process and turns out lengths of i-cord in just a few minutes.



Courtesy Photo

Craig's Surgery Relief Fund is raising money to help bartender Craig Doepker pay medical bills and compensate for lost income.

Retro Recreations launched an Indiegogo the campaign last month to fund the initial production of I-Cord EZ Knitters. Campaign hopes to raise \$25,000 by May 27, which will be used to offset production costs, patent application fees, marketing and other business expenses. Donation levels range from \$5 to \$100, and rewards for contributors include various i-cord necklaces. This is a flexible funding campaign, meaning the organizers will receive all money raised, even if the goal is not met.

From Flint: Voices Of A Poisoned City

indiegogo.com/projects/from-flint-voices-of-a-poisoned-city--2#

As the state of Michigan continues to grapple with the Flint water crisis, five MSU student filmmakers went to the troubled city to document the voices of the Flint residents. "From Flint: Voices From A Poisoned City" is a documentary that tells the story from the perspectives of Flint residents and activists working in the city.

The film has already been completed, but the filmmakers have created an Indiegogo campaign to help it reach a larger audience. The campaign hopes to raise \$2,000 by July 2, which will cover distribution and marketing costs. This is a flexible funding campaign, meaning the organizers will receive all money raised, even if the goal is not met.

- Naseim Omeish

If you have a crowdsourcing event to promote, send a link and short description to ty@lansingcitypulse.com.

Fowl and foul

Bonnie Jo Campbell talks Flannery O'Connor's legacy By BILL CASTANIER

Southern writer Flannery O'Connor (1925-1964) loved fowl. As a child, she en-

Meet author Bonnie Jo Campbell

6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday May 10 **FREE** CADL Okemos Branch 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos (517) 347-2021, cadl.org joyed teaching chickens to do tricks. She also loved stories with foul characters. Her two novels and 32 short stories are teeming with sordid characters.

In her short story, "Good Country People," a traveling Bible salesman attempts

to seduce a one-legged girl. Failing that, he steals her prosthetic leg.

So it seemed appropriate when Michigan

writer Bonnie Jo Campbell, author of two novels and several collections of short stories that also feature life's misfits, was selected to give a lecture on O'Connor's writing at the Library of Congress earlier this year.

Campbell loves the writing of Flannery O'Connor — and also loves chickens. Campbell's writing style, usually called "Southern grotesque" is often compared to O'Connor's. The Guardian, in a recent list of top 10 "rural noir" novels, included both "The Complete Stories of Flannery O'Connor" and Campbell's "American Salvage," a finalist for the National Book Award in 2009.

Campbell, speaking to Lansing City Pulse by phone from the Washington Mall after her talk, said she sees a similarity between Georgia resident O'Connor's writing and her own: Both are "based on failure."

"The South had failed to win the Civil War, and the Midwest also lost a war. American industrialization is kind of gone," Campbell said. "Both had a fall from grace."

The losses lead to extremes in writing. Take, for example, the rural meth addicts in Campbell's "American Salvage." While the time and setting has changed, the desperation and depravity in these characters is the same found in O'Connor's denizens.

O'Connor, a devout Catholic with an acerbic wit, would likely have found the Library of Congress' scheduling a talk on her work for Good Friday as the ultimate irony. The event was timed to commemorate O'Connor's birthday, March 25, which fell on Good Friday this year.

O'Connor's literary career lasted just over a decade — she died of lupus at 39 — but her body of work still influences writers today. Her short story collection, "A Good Man is

Michigan author Bonnie Jo Campbell discusses the works of Flannery O'Connor at the Library of Congress earlier this year.

Hard to Find," won the National Book Award in 1972, which was awarded posthumously.

In 1956, Lansing residents were among the first to hear O'Connor's own interpretation of her work when she made two appearances in the city: one at a meeting of the American Association of University Women at Eastern High School and the other at the convention of the Lansing Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Brad Gooch, in his biography of O'Connor, notes that the author's visit to Lansing was the first of her out-of-state literary trips. O'Connor referred to these trips as "literary vaudeville."

In Lansing, she delivered a speech titled "The Freak in Modern Fiction." An article in the Lansing State Journal called the author's presentation "provocative."

O'Connor, the article reports, told the audience, "What is often overlooked is that a good writer is trying to present his view of truth, and that the more blindness there is to this view, the more shocking the means he must use to get it across."

During her four-day stay in Lansing, O'Connor was the guest of Rumsey and Alta Haynes at their appropriately gothic looking Tudor revival home. The house still stands at the corner of Jerome and Marshall streets.

In letters to friends about the trip, O'Connor adapted a sarcastic tone. In one letter, O'Connor commented on Alta Haynes' offer to have her husband help O'Connor, who walked with crutches, up the stairs.

"There is nothing more dangerous to a woman on crutches than a gentleman's assistance," she wrote.

She also wrote a friend about the Haynes' claim that there were many interesting young writers and intellectuals in Lansing that she would enjoy meeting.

"Anything I can't stand it's a young writer or intellectual," she wrote. At the time, O'Connor herself was only 31.

After returning home from her visit, O'Connor wrote a polite thank you to Alta Haynes for her hospitality, calling her "consistently gracious" and thanking her for a parting gift of cookies and candy. Always the storyteller, O'Connor wrote in the letter about how the peachickens, in her absence, had eaten all the strawberries from her mother' garden. (Other letters about O'Connor's Lansing trip can be found in Brad Gooch's "Flannery: A Life of Flannery O'Connor," and in "The Habit of Being," a collection of O'Connor's letters.)

To show her admiration for O'Connor, Campbell brings a life-size cardboard cutout of the author to her book signings and conferences. Campbell will have the cardboard O'Connor with her on May 10 at the Okemos Public Library, where she will discuss her latest book, "Mothers, Tell Your Daughters." The book was named a 2016 Michigan Notable Book earlier this year.

O'Connor, like Campbell, was unpretentious. She was fond of telling audiences about how she, as a young child, once taught a chicken to walk backwards. She and her backwards-walking fowl were featured in a British newsreel.

"It was the high point in my life," she once said. "Everything since has been anti-climax."

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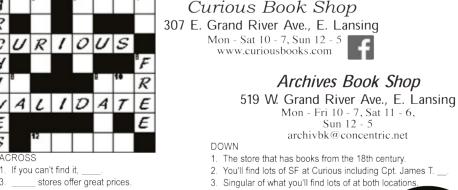
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hundreds of nominees, a crop of elite Lansing-area warriors has advanced to the Final Five round of the 2016 City Pulse/Fox 47 News Top of the Town Awards.

Over 9,000 participants voted in the first round, nominating hundreds of Greater Lansing's best people, places and businesses. From those hundreds of nominations, we pulled out the top five vote-getters in every category. These nominees fight it out in the Final Five round, which starts today and ends at 11:59 p.m. May 17. Winners are announced in the June 1 issue of City Pulse!

And we'll celebrate those winners

Out of a melee of at the first-ever City Pulse River only submit one en-**Rock Concert at Adado Riverfront** Park, June 10 and 11. The June 11 lineup includes our Top of the Town Party, with music by local bands and special food offerings from over a dozen local restaurants. June 10 will feature the Verve Pipe playing the platinum-selling "Villains" album live for the first time ever. Local '80s cover band Triple Lindy will open the show. (See page 10 for more on Triple Lindy.)

There are seven main categories and 122 subcategories. You must vote in at least 15 subcatego-

try per email address, so don't hit that "finalize" button until you've voted in all the categories you wanted to.

So check out the Final Five competitors in this issue, then head over lansingcitypulse.com/tott2016 and get started. If you'd prefer a paper mail-in ballot, contact Suzi Smith at (517) 999-6704 or suzi@ lansingcitypulse.com.

Making the Final Five means a lot to local businesses, people and places, but true Top of the Town glory awaits for a select few. Go ries to have your votes count. You cast your votes for your Greater may spread your 15 votes through Lansing favorites, and we'll see multiple main categories. You can who emerges victorious on June 1.



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Best Dining

Asian Buffet

- Asian Buffet Okemos
- Hibachi Grill & Sushi
- Ukai Hibachi Grill & Sushi Bar
- World Buffet
- Xiao

Bakery

- Bake n' Cakes
- Glazed and Confused Bakery
- **Groovy Donuts**
- Roma Bakery
- Sweetie-licious Bakery Café — DeWitt

BBQ

- Crossroads BBQ
- Famous Dave's
- MEAT
- Saddleback BBQ
- Smokey Bones

Breakfast

Creole Coffee Co.

- Golden Harvest
- Good Truckin' Diner
- Fleetwood Diner
- Soup Spoon Café

Burger

- Crunchy's
- Dagwood's
- Five Guys
- Peanut Barrel
- Red Robin

Chinese

- Charlie Kang's East Lansing
- Chen's Restaurant
- House of Hsu Grand Ledge
- House of Ing
- P.F. Chang's

Cocktails

- American Fifth Spirits
- Creole
- Houlihan's

- Soup Spoon Café
- Zoobie's

Craft Beer Selection

- Beer Grotto
- Crunchy's
- HopCat
- Lansing Brewing Co.
- Zoobie's

Dessert

- Bake n' Cakes
- Grand Traverse Pie Co.
- MSU Dairy Store
- Sugar Shack
- Whipped

Diner

- Fleetwood Diner
- Golden Harvest
- Good Truckin' Diner
- Theio's Restaurant
- Zeus Coney Island

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Fish Fry

- Blue Gill Grill
- Claddagh
- East Side Fish Fry
- Fresh Fish Market (S. MLK)
- Harry's Place

Fries

- Cosmos
- Dagwood's
- Five Guys
- HopCat
- Red Robin

Greek

- Athena's
- Bell's Pizza
- Lou and Harry's
- Olga's
- Zeus Coney Island

Ice Cream Shop

- Artic Corner
- ColdStone

Creamery

- Dairy Dan
- MSU Dairy Store
- Tasty Twist

Italian

- Bravo
- Carrabba's Italian Grill
- Cugino's
- DeLuca's
- Olive Garden

Mediterranean

- Aladdin's
- Sultan's
- Tabooli Mediterranean
- Woody's Oasis
- Zaytoon

Mexican

- Cancun Mexican Grill
- El Azteco
- El Oasis truck
- Los Tres Amigos
- Pablo's Old Town

New Restaurant

- Creole Coffee Co./The Creole
- Lansing Brewing Co.
- Old Nation Brewing Co.
- Saddleback BBQ
- Tequila Cowboy

Pizza

- Art's Bar
- Cosmos
- Cugino's
- DeLuca's
- Pizza House

Sandwich/Deli

- Frandor Deli
- Jersey Giant
- Jimmy John's
- Mancino's
 Soup Sport
- Soup Spoon

Seafood

- Capital Prime
- Maru
- Mitchell's Fish Market
- Red Lobster
- Soup Spoon Café

Steak

Capital Prime

Knight Cap

- Longhorn Steakhouse
- Outback Steakhouse
- Texas Roadhouse

Sushi

- Ai Fusion
- Maru
- Sansu
- Sushi Moto
- Ukai West

Thai

- Bangkok House
- No Thai!
- Taste of Thai
- Thai Princess
- Thai Village

Upscale Dining

- Capital Prime
- Creole
- Dusty's Cellar
- English Inn
- Soup Spoon Café

Vegetarian/Vegan/Gluten Free

- Aladdin's
- Altu's
- Better Health Store

What wine pairs well with gas station hot dogs?

Some poor soul nominated Speedway for Best Upscale Dining. We hope he/she was joking.

- Red Haven
- Soup Spoon Café

Best Hangouts

Biggby

- East Lansing 3499 E. Lake Lansing Rd.
- Lansing 6439 S. Cedar
- Lansing 2002 W. Saginaw
- Mason 661 N. Cedar St.
- Okemos 4756 Marsh Rd.

Coffee Shop (non-Biggby)

- Coffee Barrel
- Creole Coffee Co.
- Espresso Royale

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- Starbucks
- Strange Matter Coffee Co.

Dance Bar

- Dublin Square
- Green Door
- Spiral
- Tequila Cowboy
- Whiskey Barrel

For Students

- Avenue Café
- Crunchy's

What's that place called again?

Nominees for Best Coffee Shop included Expresso Royale (like Espresso Royale but faster, I assume) and Dark Matter (Strange Matter's long lost evil twin?). A few folks cast in memoriam votes for Grand River Coffee Café, which closed earlier this year.

- HopCat
- Pinball Pete's
- Whiskey Barrel

Gay/Lesbian Bar

- Esquire
- Harry's Place
- Sir Pizza Grand Café Old Town
- Spiral
- Zoobie's

Happy Hour

- Crunchy's
- HopCat
- Houlihan's
- Tavern & Tap
- Zoobie's



Karaoke

- Avenue Café
- Crunchy's
- · Green Door
- Leroy's Classic Bar
- Sir Pizza Grand Café Old Town

Lansing-area Brewery

- · Bad Brewing Co.
- Eaglemonk Pub & Brewery
- Ellison Brewery + Spirits
- · Lansing Brewing Co.
- Midtown Brewing Co.

Lansing-area Distillery

- American Fifth Spirits
- Ellison Brewery + Spirits
- Lansing Brewing Co.
- Red Cedar Spirits
- Sanctuary Spirits

Movie Theater

- Celebration Cinema
- NCG
- Regal Cinema
- Studio C!
- Sun Theatre Grand Ledge

Music Venue

- Avenue Café
- Green Door
- Loft
- Mac's Bar
- Wharton Center

Open-Mic Night

- Avenue Café
- Green Door Comedy Night
- Mac's Monday Night Comedy Night
- Moriarty's
- Tripper's Comedy Club

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Patio

- El Azteco
- Peanut Barrel
- Reno's West
- Waterfront Bar & Grill
- Zoobie's

Place to Take Kids

- Hawk Island County Park
- Impression 5
- **Lansing Lugnuts**
- Potter Park Zoo
- Zap Zone

Pub/Tavern

- Crunchy's
- Dagwood's

Moriarty's Pub

- **REO Town Pub**
- Zoobie's

Spartan Sports Hangout

- **Buffalo Wild Wings**
- Crunchy's
- Dagwood's
- Reno's East
- Spartan Hall of Fame

Sports Bar

- Buddies Holt
- **Buffalo Wild Wings**
- Crunchy's
- Nuthouse Sports Bar
- Reno's East

Vacation Spot in Michigan

- Grand Haven
- Mackinac Island
- Saugatuck

Traverse City

Upper Peninsula

Best Local Music

Folk Band/Artist

- Frog & the Beeftones
- Lansing Unionized Vaudeville Spectacle
- Jen Sygit
- **Taylor Taylor**
- Joe Wright

Hip-Hop Group/Artist

- **BLAT!** Pack
- James Gardin
- Ozay Moore
- Ribcage
- Scratch Pilots

Extra-terrestrial

Nominees for Best Radio Station suggest that more people are turning to the Internet instead of turning on their radios. Both Pandora and Spotify garnered nominations in this category. Other participants cast votes for the "old 94.1," which switched from alternative rock to classic country last year.

Jazz Musician

- Jim Alfredson
- Phil Denny
- MSU Professors of Jazz
- **Root Doctor**
- Sunny Wilkinson

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Radio Station

- 88.9 The Impact
- 94.9 WMMQ
- 97.5 Now FM
- 100.7 WITL





• Power 96.5

Rock Band/Artist

- Cheap Girls
- Devereaux
- Kathy Ford
- Joe Hertler and the Rainbow Seekers
- Taylor Taylor

Best People

Bartender

- Caitlin at Zoobie's
- Craig at Mac's Bar
- Liz at Spiral
- Paul Castillo at Tavern & Tap
- Sarah at REO Town Pub

CATA Bus Driver

- Aaron Aikman
- Cleo Anderson
- LaMarr Braggs
- Ron DeLeon
- Colleen Whalen

Local Advocate/Activist

- Barb Byrum
- Mike Karl
- Rick Preuss
- Danny Trevino



Carol Wood

Local Comedian

- Melik Brown
- Jason Carlen
- Comedy Coven
- Dwayne Gill
- Luke Slocum



Local FM/AM Radio Personality

- Banana Don and Stephanie McCoy
- Danny and Monica
- Joey Pants and Deb Hart
- Mojo
- Josh Strickland

Local TV News Personality

- Jane Aldirch
- Chivon Kloepfer
- Sheri Jones
- Andy Provenzano
- Emily Wahls

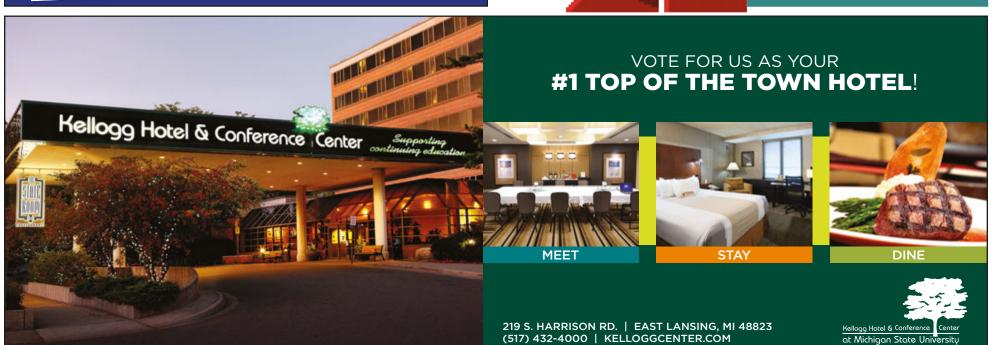
Massage Therapist

- Bee Queener Massage Therapy
- Creative Wellness
- Maryann Hancock
- Angela Joseph
- Amy Miller

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Did you hear the one about the city attorney?

Virg Bernero and Rick Snyder were both nominated for Best Local Comedian, but neither made the Final Five in that category. Interestingly, both are in the Final Five for Best Local/State Politician and Worst Local/State Politician.



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Restaurant Wait Staff

- Alec at Lansing Brewing Co.
- Heath Peterson at Outback Steakhouse — West Lansing
- Keisha at Soup Spoon
- Tim at Golden Harvest
- Vanessa at Golden Harvest

Seamstress/Tailor

- Golden Needle Tailor Shop
- Kim the Tailor
- Liz's Alteration Shop
- Nu the Tailor
- Silver Threads

Uber Driver

- Amanda Bernes
- Nick Berry
- Cindy Mason

• Heidee Purvis

Travis Stoliker

Best Local/State Politician

- Virg Bernero
- Barb Byrum
- Rick Snyder
- Debbie StabenowGretchen Whitmer

Worst Local/State Politician

- Virg Bernero
- Stuart Dunnings
- Bill Schuette
- Rick Snyder
- Debbie Stabenow

Best Services

Accountant/CPA

- Abraham & Gaffney
- H&R Block

have to pick just one?

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Nominations for Worst Local/State Politician included "all of them," "all politicians," "everyone in office" and "all of the above." Even the nominations for Best Local/State Politician included nominations like "no one," none of them," "none" and "they all suck." Another creative voter nominated Lansing City Council for Best Local Theater Group.

Is he related to Dr. Feelgood?

Dr. Hear Good was nominated for Best Audiologist. According to sources, he's the one that makes ya hear alright. Good's office would not comment on if he would or would not be your Frankenstein.

- Maner Costerisan
- Simplified Tax Service
- X-Tax

Audiologist/Hearing

- Acu Quest Hearing
- Advanced Audiology Linda Wright
- Better Hearing
- Fluke Hearing
- Mid-Michigan Ear Nose & Throat

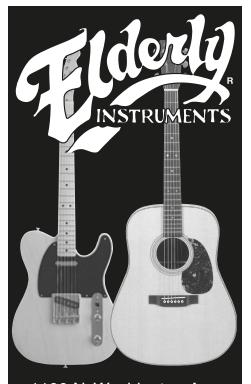
Auto Repair

- A&D Repair
- Belle Tire S. Pennsylvania
- Brogan's
- Frankie D's Holt

Bank/Credit Union

- Case Credit Union
- Lansing Automakers Federal Credit

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- Union (LAFCU)
- Lake Trust Credit
- Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFCU)
- PNC

Barber Shop

- Barber Love
- Douglas J Salon & Aveda Institute
- **Grand River Barber**
- Jude's Barbershop
- Matthew Ryan Salon & Spa

Bicycle Shop

- Denny's Central Park
- MSU Bikes
- Riverfront Cycle
- SPIN Bicycle Shop
- Velociped Peddler

Car Wash/Detailing

- Fast Eddie's
- Kwik Car Wash
- Outshiner
- Showroom Shine
- Soapy Joe's

Chiropractor

Delta Chiropractor

- Dr. Alisa Hoffman
- Infinity Chiropractic
- Dr. Curt McDaniel
- Volz Family Chiropractic

Dance Studio

- Children's Ballet Theatre
- **Dance City West**
- Happendance
- Spartan Dance
- Stilletto's & Steel

Electrical

- B&D Electric
- **Bohnet**
- Capitol Electric
- Hager Fox
- Sparky's Electric

Gym/Fitness Studio

- MAC
- Planet Fitness
- State of Fitness
- Stiletto's & Steel
- **YMCA**

Heating/Cooling Co.

- A-1 Mechanical
- **Applegate**
- **Doty Mechanical**
- Hager Fox
- North Winds

Hotel/Bed & Breakfast

- English Inn
- Crowne Plaza Lansing
- Kellogg Center
- Radisson Hotel
- Wild Goose Inn

Laundromat/Drv Cleaners

- Baryames
- Maurer's
- Point Laundry
- OD Laundromat Ökemos
- Sunshine Laundromat

Lawyer/Law Firm

- Abood Law Firm
- Sam Bernstein
- Aaron Matthews at Clark Hill
- Sinas Dramis Law Firm
- Willingham & Cote

Library Programming

- Capital Area District Library Downtown Lansing
- Capital Area District Library Holt/Delhi
- Capital Area District Library — Okemos
- Delta Township Library
- East Lansing Public Library

Maid Service

- Discreet Diva
- Brandi Eagan
- Helpful Hands
- Merry Maids
- Molly Maids

Nail Salon

- **Angel Nails**
- Douglas J Salon & Aveda Institute
- Jenny Nails
- Polished Nail Salon

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Not that kind of dancing

A few folks decided to nominate Omar's for Best Dance Studio. Ugh.

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Pet Care/Services

- Annabelle's Pet Station
- Doggy Daycare & Spa
- Nana n' Paws
- Preuss Pets
- Doggy Daycare & Spa

Photographer

- Benjamin David Photography
- Decadence Dolls Autumn Luciano
- Kendall D. Lartigue Photography
- McShane Photography
 Jenna McShane
- Studio M

Plumber

- **Bartlett Plumbing**
- Capital City Plumbing
- **Hedlund Plumbing**
- Meridian Plumbing
- Michigan Plumbing

Salon/Spa

Douglas J Salon & Aveda Institute

- Headroom Salon
- Lockworx
- Matthew Ryan Salon
- Salon 130

Tanning Salon

- J2 Tanning
- Pacific Tan S. Cedar
- Planet Fitness
- Tanzmania
- **VIP**

Tattoo Parlor

- Eclectic Art
- Fish Ladder
- Liquid Tattoo
- Splash of Color
- Vivid Ink

Vet Services

- Haslett Animal Hospital
- Miller Animal Clinic
- MSU Veterinary Clinic
- Patterson Veterinary
- Waverly Animal Hospităl

Wedding Vendor

Becker's Bridal

- David's Bridal
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- Weddings by Nicole

Yoga Studio

- Bikram Yoga
- East Lansing Hot Yoga
- Firefly Hot Yoga Bar
- Hilltop Yoga
- Just B Yoga

Best Shopping

Antique Shop

- Lamb's Gate Antiques
- Little Red School House
- Mason Maple Street Mall
- Mega Mall
- Williamston Antiques

Art Gallery

- Absolute Gallery
- Broad Art Museum
- Katalyst
- Lansing Art Gallery
- Mackerel Sky

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Beer Selection

- Big Ten Okemos
- · Dusty's Cellar
- Horrocks
- Oade's Big Ten East Lansing
- Vine & Brew

Bookstore

- Barnes & Noble
- Curious Books
- Everybody Reads

- Schuler Books Eastwood
- Schuler Books Okemos

Butcher

- Merindorf Meats Mason
- Merindorf Meats Williamston
- Mert's Meats Okemos
- Mert's Meats Williamston
- Monticello's Market & Butcher Block

Candy Shop

- Cravings Popcorn Old Town
- Fabiano's
- Horrocks
- Kean's Mason
- Peanut Shop

Consignment/Thrift Shop

Goodwill

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- Kellie's Consignment
- Plato's Closet
- Second Time Around
- Volunteers of America

Convenience/Liquor Store

- Big Ten Grand River Ave.
- Horrocks
- Oade's Big Ten Kalamazoo St.
- Quality Dairy
- Tom's Party Store

Florist

- Al Lin Floral
- B/A Florist
- Horrocks
- Smith Floral & Greenhouse
- VanAtta's

Gardening Center

- Andy T's
- Christian's Greenhouse
- Horrocks
- Lansing Gardens
- Van Atta's

Gift Shop

- Dusty's
- Kean's Mason
- Mackerel Sky
- October Moon
- Schuler's Books and Music

Indoor Grow Shop

- Capital City Grower Supply
- Greener Planet
- H20 Lansing
- Indoor Grow Shop
- Superior Growers

Jewelry Store

- Azz
- Becky Beachine Kulka
- SuCasa
- Sweet Custom Jewelry
- Wheat Jewelers

Local Clothing Store

- Curvaceous Lingerie
- Grace Boutique
- Kellie's Consignments
- Kositchek's
- Playmakers

Local Grocery Store

- Westlund's Apple Market
- Foods for Living
- Foods for Living
- Fresh Thyme
- Horrocks
- Monticello's Market & Butcher Block

Michigan Made Wine

- Black Star Farms
- Burghdorf's Winery
- Chateau Grand Traverse
- Leelanau Cellars
- Uncle John's

Michigan Products

- Cravings Popcorn Old Town
- Grand Traverse Pie Co.
- Horrocks
- Monticello's Market & Butcher Block
- Old Town General Store

Musical Instruments Store

- Elderly Instruments
- Guitar Center
- Marshall Music
- Meridian Winds
- Music Manor

Organic/Natural Market

- Allen Farmers Market
- Better Health
- Fresh Thyme
- Foods for Living
- Horrocks

Pawn/Secondhand Shop

- Dicker & Deal
- Goodwill
- Kellie's Consignments
- St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store
- Volunteers of America

Pet Store

Pet Supplies Plus

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- Petco— Frandor
- Petsmart Marketplace
- Preuss Pets
- Soldan's

Produce/Farmers Market

- Allen Farmers Market
- East Lansing Farmers Market
- Horrocks
- Lansing City Market
- Meridian Farmers Market

Record/CD Store

- Flat, Black & Circular
- FYI
- Record Lounge
- Replay Entertainment Exchange
- Schuler Books & Music Eastwood

Rest in peace

Defunct businesses nominated this year include Goodrich's Shop-Rite Best Wine Shop and Best Local Grocery Store) and Paul Revere's Tavern (Best Pub/Tavern).

Wine Shop

- Dusty's Cellar
- Horrocks
- Tom's Party Store
- Vine & Brew
- World Market

Best Whatever

Annual Event/Festival

- Be A Tourist In Your Own Town
- Beer Fest @ the Ball Park
- Common Ground
- East Lansing Art Festival
- Silver Bells

Eye Candy Place

- **Broad Art Museum**
- Fitzgerald Park (the Ledges) Grand Ledge
- **MSU Campus**
- Old Town
- River Trail

First Date Place

- Capital Prime
- DeLuca's
- Old Town Soup Spoon
- Zoobie's

Local Outing with Friends

Crunchy's

Lansing Brewing Co.

- **Lansing Lugnuts**
- Painting with a Twist
- Zoobie's

Local Theatre Group

- All-of-Us Express Children's Theatre
- MSU Department of Theatre
- Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.
- Riverwalk Theatre
- Williamston Theatre

Marijuana Dispensary

- Best Buds
- **Emerald City**
- Greenwave
 - But tell us how you really feel

No category stirred up as many negative nominations as Best Dispensary. Highlights include nominations like "none," "should not be allowed inside city limits," "all of them are a blight," "I can't believe this is a serious question," "... Really?," "I do not like these at all," "close them all down or regulate and tax them," "too many," and "they are all trash."

HydroWorld

Star Budz

Worst Eyesore Place

- Abandoned Building Grand River/Abbot, East Lansing
- **Broad Art** Museum
- Former School for the Blind
- **General Motors**
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TOP FIVE DINING GUIDE

Based on your votes in the first round of City Pulse's 2016 Top of the Town contest, we've assembled a guide to your favorite Lansing-area eateries. To vote for the best picks, visit lansingcitypulse.com/tott2016.

Bon appétit!

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320 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing (517) 484-7676 knightcap.com 4 p.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 4 p.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday; closed Sunday

#3 LONGHORN STEAKHOUSE

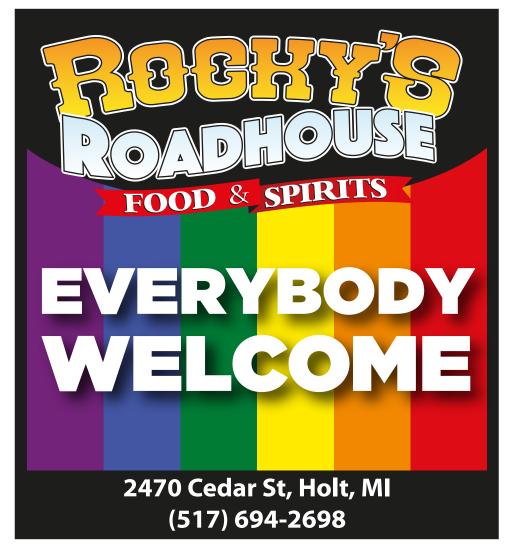
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JUMBO LUAU!

Thank You, Lansing!

Once again, you've voted us to so many categories we cannot name them here. So, to show our appreciation, we are throwing a huge (free) patio party. Tiki drinks, pig roast, limbo contest, live music, amazing specialty beer from North Peak and Jolly Pumpkin, as well as super-extra-secret entertainment extravaganza.

> May 21st 3pm - IIpm on the patio at Zoobies 611. E Grand River Ave.













OUTOWN TOWN

Events must be entered through the calendar at lansingcitypulse.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesdays for the following week's issue. Charges may apply for paid events to appear in print. If you need assistance, please call Allison at (517) 999-5066.

Wednesday, May 4 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Lighting the Path Luncheon. Female leaders speak on success and struggles. Noon-1:30 p.m. \$25. Country Club of Lansing, 2200 Moores River Drive, Lansing. micauw.org.

iPad & iPhone Basics. Tips and tricks for mobile devices. 5-6 p.m. FREE. CADL Aurelius, 1939 S. Aurelius Road, Mason. (517) 628-3743, cadl.org.

Walk the Walk, Talk the Talk. Public speaking class for grades 7-12. Register online. 5:30-6:30 p.m. FREE. Building Twentyone, 1288 N. Cedar St., Mason. (517) 889-5103, ow.ly/Yu9jH.

Practice Your English. All skill levels welcome. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

FVFNTS

After School Teen Program. For teens in 6th-12th grades. 3-5:30 p.m. FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

ICACS Whisker Wednesday. Pet adoptions. All animals spayed/neutered, vaccinated and microchipped. Noon to 6 p.m. Ingham County Animal Control, 600 Curtis St., Mason. (517) 676-8370.

Meditation. For beginners and experienced. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Vietnamese Buddhist Temple, 3015 S. Washington St., Lansing. (517) 351-5866, lamc.info. Alcoholics Anonymous. A closed step meeting. 6 p.m. Donations. Pennsylvania Ave. Church of God, 3500 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 899-3215.

Allen Street Farmers Market – Indoors. Locally grown, baked and prepared foods. 3-6:30 p.m. FREE. Allen Street Farmers Market, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3911.

Student Technology Showcase. Students share their technology projects and skills. 5:30-7.m. Waverly High School, 160 Snow Road, Lansing. ow.ly/4mVo2B.

Suits and City: PFLAG. LBGTQIA social and professional networking. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Spirits, 902 E. Saginaw Highway, Grand Ledge. suitsandthecity.org.

Greater Lansing Rose Society. Topic: "How to Grow Roses in Containers." 6-8 p.m. FREE. Grand Traverse Pie, 1403 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing.

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When you think of Cinderella, you probably think of glass slippers. But the star of this weekend's two-act, full ballet production of "Cinderella" by Children's Ballet Theatre of Michigan will trade in her fancy footwear for a pair of ballet flats.

"This is a dream come true," said Brianna Renfrew, who plays the role of Cinderella. "I've always wanted to be Cinderella."

A dancer from age 3, Renfrew has been with Children's Ballet Theatre since 2009. A senior at Okemos High School, she will graduate from both high school and the ballet program this year. "Cinderella" is her final show with the company. Renfrew identifies with some of her character's most important traits.

"I like her attitude to everyone, the kindness and positivity," she said. "She's trying to follow the rules of her stepmother, trying to be kind and respectful. But once she's able to go to the ball, she gets a new experience and sees what life could be like outside of that house."

Over 50 members of the ballet theater — all between the ages of 8 and 18 —join Renfrew in this production. Most people are familiar with Disney's animated version of the fairy tale, but this production differs from the popular film in

many ways.

"Some characters are different from what everyone is used to," explained Cindy Kangas, board member of the Children's Ballet Theatre. "For example, there are different fairies for each season. There's also a larger ball scene that's more like a masquerade party."

This production uses a score composed by Prokofiev, but with some slight tweaks.

"A lot of ballet companies do 'Cinderella,' but each creative director or choreographer uses creative license so it's unique to each company," Kangas said.

Creative Director Gregory M. George, who has been with the company for 16 years, has worked carefully to craft a production that is unique to the company and true to the personalities of the performers.

"He likes to feed off the personalities of the dancers," Kangas said. "So if he's got a shyer person, he'll change the role a little."

The evil stepmother is played by Katrina Granger, while the Fairy Godmother is played by Tara Fedewa. Allie Cates and Meredith Bolton play Cinderella's stepsisters, and the Prince is played by Children's Ballet Theatre alum Jesse Powers, who is returning to Michigan just for the role.

"That the children play most the

lead characters is a testament to how strong our dancers are," Kangas said.

In addition to several guest dancers, the company also hosts six young dancers from the Children's "Cinderella"
Children's Ballet
Theatre of Michigan
7 p.m. Friday, May 7; 2
p.m. Sunday, May 8
\$15/\$12 children and
students
Holt High School
Theatre
5885 Holt Road, Holt
(517) 482-2553,

Miracle Network, a nonprofit that works with children's hospitals. The dancers are young patients from Sparrow Hospital, some of them in wheelchairs or using walkers. This is not the first time Children's Ballet Theatre has partnered with Sparrow.

Kids who feel inspired after seeing one of Children's Ballet Theatre shows are welcome to try out for the group. The dance company holds auditions twice a year. Many of the group's current dancers tried out after seeing the group perform.

"To see little girls and boys watch with excitement in their faces makes me so happy," said Renfrew.

- ALLISON HAMMERLY





EVERYDAY JUNIOR AT THE LOFT

Saturday, May 7 @ The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. \$10/\$7 adv., 18+, 8:30 p.m.

Michigan-based jazzy funk/rock band Everyday Junior headlines Saturday at the Loft; opening the show is Liquid Monk. Since forming in East Lansing in 2013, Everyday Junior has honed its high-energy jam-band fusion of funk, jazz, psych-rock, blues and electronic music. The dance-friendly band comprises guitarist/vocalist Eric Stallcup, Pat Rademacher (guitar/vocals), Michael McCaffery (keys/vocals), Kevin McKay (bass) and drummer Justin Thimmig. The band's debut single, "Man On Fire," was released in early 2015. It was described by Sound and Silence as "Chic meets Umphrey's meets early Daft Punk on steroids." Last fall, the band released its "Yaga" EP. Fans of Phish, the String Cheese Incident or George Clinton might want to check out this show.





BY RICHTUPICA

Friday, May 6 @ Pump House Concerts, 368 Orchard St., East Lansing. \$15 suggested donation, 6:30 p.m.

Raised in a musical family in the hills of northeastern lowa's Mississippi Valley, singer/songwriter David G. Smith dropped out of college to form the band Clay Mills with his brother. After returning to college and graduating, Smith — then living in Denver — joined Robin Banks, a group managed by the late Ed Cassidy of Spirit. The band toured the Rockies, even opening a show for the legendary Ramblin' Jack Elliot. The following years saw Smith raising a family in lowa while making jaunts to Nashville for songwriting inspiration. Since 2011, Smith has released a string of solo albums, including 2016's "My First Love" LP. In addition to his headlining show at the Pump House, Smith also performs a free show at the Broad Museum's Acoustic Lunch at 12:30 p.m. Friday.

COMEDIAN BRIAN POSEHN AT THE LOFT



Thursday, May 12 @ The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. All ages, \$25/\$20 adv., 8 p.m.

Brian Posehn is arguably the king of nerd comedy — with an honorable mention going to Patton Oswalt, of course. Posehn, 49, has been a distinct voice in stand-up since the mid-'90s, and he continues to pack houses with his toilet humor and passion for heavy metal. Over the years, he's also starred on television shows like "Just Shoot Me!" and "The Sarah Silverman Program." Posehn was born and raised in Sacramento, Calif., and began his stand-up career in the 1994. In 1995, he landed a reoccurring spot on HBO's cult sketch-comedy program, "Mr. Show." His debut in major motion pictures came in 1998 with a part in "The Wedding Singer." But he's never stopped doing standup and has released a series of comedy albums, including: "Live In: Nerd Rage" (2006), "Fart and Wiener Jokes" (2010) and 2013's "The Fartist."

UPCOMING SHOW? contact allison@lansingcitypulse.com

LIVE&LOCAL	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave.		Urban Pioneers, 8 p.m.	Leather & Lace Goth Night, 9 p.m.	Super Happy Fun Time, 10 p.m.
Black Cat Bistro, 115 Albert Ave.		DJ Don Black, 9:30 p.m.	8 , 1	
Blue Gill Grill, 1591 Lake Lansing Road			Sarah Brunner, 9 p.m.	Chris Laskos, 5 p.m.
Champions, 2440 N. Cedar St.	Karaoke, 8 p.m.			
Coach's Pub & Grill, 6201 Bishop Rd.	DJ Trivia, 8 p.m.		Young Guns, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.
Colonial Bar, 3425 S. Martin Luther King Blvd			Roux, 9 p.m.	Roux, 9 p.m.
Crunchy's, 254 W. Grand River Ave.	Robert Rolfe Fedderson, 10 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.
Darb's, 117 S. Cedar St.		Karaoke, 8 p.m.		Blue Haired Betties, 9 p.m.
Esquire, 1250 Turner St.	Karaoke with DJ Jamie, 9 p.m.		DJ Fudgie, 9 p.m.	Karaoke with DJ Jamie, 10 p.m.
The Exchange, 314 E. Michigan Ave.	Live Blues w/ The Good Cookies, 7 p.m.	Skoryoke Live Band Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.	Showdown, 9:30 p.m.	Showdown, 9:30 p.m.
Gallery Brewery, 143 Kent St.,	Artzy Phartzy Night, 5 p.m.	Open Mic, 7 p.m.	Frog & the Hatchetman, 7 p.m.	Bart Moore & Friends, 7 p.m.
Grand Cafe/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave.			Karaoke, 7:30 p.m.	
Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave.	"Johnny D" Blues Night, 9 p.m.	Karaoke Kraze, 9 p.m.	Star Farm, 9:30 p.m.	Star Farm, 9:30 p.m.
Harrison Roadhouse, 720 Michigan Ave.			Darrin Larner, 5:30 p.m.	
La Senorita, 2706 Lake Lansing Road		Don Middlebrook, 6 p.m.		Mark Sala, 9 p.m.
Leroys, 1526 S. Cedar St.		Karaoke, 9:30 p.m.		Karaoke, 9:30 p.m.
The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave.			Somo, 7 p.m.	Everyday Junior, 8:30 p.m.
Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave.		Gore Gore Girls, 8 p.m.	Cinco De Mayo Party, 8 p.m.	OGREFEST, 2 p.m.
Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave.	Open Mic w/ Jen Sygit, 9 p.m.	Lincoln County Process, 9 p.m.	Second Nature, 9 p.m.	Hoopties, 9 p.m.
Reno's East, 1310 Abbot Road			Jerry Sprague Band, 7 p.m.	Smooth Daddy, 7 p.m.
Reno's North, 16460 Old US 27			Life Support, 7 p.m.	Life Support, 7 p.m.
Reno's West, 5001 W. Saginaw Hwy.	Kathy Ford Band Karaoke, 7:30 p.m.		New Rule, 7 p.m.	New Rule, 7 p.m.
Tavern & Tap, 101 S. Washington Square	Tavern House Jazz Band, 7:30 p.m.			
Tequila Cowboy, 5660 W. Saginaw Hwy.		Keith Anderson, 7:30 p.m.	Union Guns, 8:30 p.m.	Union Guns, 8:30 p.m.
Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave.		Frog Open Blues Jam, 8:30 p.m.	The Third Degree, 9 p.m.	The Third Degree, 9 p.m.
Watershed Tavern and Grill 5965 Marsh Rd.	Trevor Compton, 7 p.m.	Mark Sala , 8 p.m.	Capitol City DJs, 10 p.m.	Capitol City DJs, 10 p.m.
Waterfront Bar and Grill, 325 City Market Dr.	Open Mic, 6 p.m.	Live Music, 7 p.m.	Joe Wright, 6 p.m.	

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Mini Flowerpots. Ages 5 and up decorate mini flowerpot to take home. 6:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. ELPL 2.0 Maker Studio, 300 M.A.C. Ave., East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

THURSDAY, MAY 5-8 >> SPRING FLING FESTIVAL

Now that winter is finally coming to an end, the city of Mason is celebrating with some spring-themed fun. This weekend's 33rd annual Mason Spring Fling Festival, which runs Thursday through Sunday, features a variety of activities around town. The festival kicks off Thursday with country line dancing and an Italian wine dinner. The action continues Friday with 5K run/walk through Mason's historic downtown to benefit the Mason Public Schools Foundation. Mason Area Chamber of Commerce hosts its outdoor courthouse craft show Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday also features be a 12:30 p.m. Duck Race at Sycamore Creek and a 2 p.m. performance by the Shahira Dancers. The festival wraps up Sunday with a Mother's Day brunch and Bingo. Call or see web for times and locations. FREE. Downtown Mason. (517) 676-1046, masonchamber.org.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4 >> RED TAIL RING AND HOOT & HOLLER AT THE ROBIN THEATRE

A pair of musical duos hits the stage of the Robin Theatre Wednesday. Red Tail Ring features two old-time-minded Michiganders, Michael Beauchamp and Laurel Premo. The multi-talented duo sings Appalachian-style harmonies accompanied by fiddle, banjo, mandolin, jawharp and plain-old foot stomping. Red Tail Ring is joined by Hoot & Holler, a Boston-based fiddle and guitar duo. Fiddler Amy Alvey and guitarist Mark Kilianski share a love of American folk music, especially traditional Appalachian mountain music. 8 p.m. \$15/\$10 adv. Robin Theatre, 1105 S. Washington Ave., Lansing.

Thursday, May 5 **CLASSES AND SEMINARS**

Lunch at the Senior Center. Call the day before to order meal. Noon-1 p.m. \$5.75/\$3 suggested donation for ages 60 and up. Meridian Senior Center, 4406 Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045, meridianseniorcenter.weebly.com.

Capital Area Crisis Rugby Practice. All experience levels welcome. 6-8 p.m. FREE. St. Joseph Park, 2125 W. Hillsdale St., Lansing. crisisrfc.

Celebrate Recovery. For all hurts and hang-ups. 6 p.m. Donations welcome. Trinity Church (Lansing), 3355 Dunckel Road, Lansing. (517) 492-1866.

Preschool Science Explorations: Wildflowers Blooming. Wildflower science activities for preschoolers. 1-2:30 p.m. \$4. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Meridian Township. (517) 349-3866, bit.ly/HNCprg.

Prostate Cancer Support Group of Mid-**Michigan.** Share and learn from others. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Sparrow Professional Building, 1200 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 364-5349.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Weigh-in 5:15 p.m., meeting 6 p.m. First meeting FREE. New Hope Church, 1340 Haslett Road, Haslett. (517) 927-4307.

MUSIC

Open Mic @ The Colonial Bar & Grill. Weekly bring-your-own-instrument open mic. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. FREE. The Colonial Bar & Grille, 3425 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Lansing. (517) 882-6132.

THEATER

Water by the Spoonful. Friends on an internet chatroom help each other to survive. 8-9:30 p.m.

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\$15/\$10 students and seniors. Miller Performing Arts Center, 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing. ow.ly/4nd174.

EVENTS

Bath Township Farmers Market. Vendors and live music. 3-7 p.m. FREE. Bath Community Center, 5959 Park Lake Road, Bath. (512) 809-4433, shopbfm.org.

Capital Area Audubon Society. History of Fenner. 7-9 p.m. FREE. Fenner Nature Center, 2020 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. capitalareaaudubon. org.

Ladies Silver Blades Figure Skating Club.

Lessons and practice. All skill levels welcome. 9:30-11:20 a.m. \$5/\$2 skate rental. Suburban Ice, 2810 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing.

Mason Codependents Anonymous. A fellowship to develop healthy relationships. 7-8 p.m. FREE. Mason First Church of the Nazarene, 415 E. Maple St., Mason. (517) 515-5559, coda.org.

Scoops of Thanks Day. Frozen custard fundraiser for agricultural organizations. 10:30 a.m.-10 p.m. \$1. Culver's, 3115 Towne Centre Blvd., Lansing.

Spanish Conversation Group. All ability levels welcome. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420.

After School Teen Program. For teens in 6th-12th grades. 3-5:30 p.m. FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

Friday, May 6 MUSIC

Jen Sygit and the Ukulele Kings. Celebrate Arts Night Out with live music. 5-8 p.m. FREE. Elderly Instruments, 1100 N. Washington Ave., Lansing. (888) 473-5810, ow.ly/4navgy

Market Music Series. Live music at the Stockbridge Open Air Market. 5:30-7 p.m. FREE. CADL Stockbridge, 200 Wood St., Stockbridge. The LGC Jazz Band. Directed by Jon Gewirtz 7:30-9:30 p.m. FREE. Dart Auditorium, Lansing Community College, 500 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-1488.

THEATER

Second Semester Studio Production. Directed by John Lennox. 8-10 p.m. FREE. LCC Black Box Theatre, Room 168, Gannon Building, 411 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-1488.

Cinderella. Children's Ballet Theatre of Michigan. 7 p.m. \$15/\$12 students. Holt High School, 5885 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 482-2553, CBTdance.org.

From Earth to the Universe. Planetarium show about the history of astronomy. 8-9 p.m. \$4/\$3

kids. Abrams Planetarium, 755 Science Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-4672, abramsplanetarium.org. **Water by the Spoonful.** Friends on an internet chatroom help each other to survive. 8-9:30 p.m. \$15/\$10 students and seniors. Miller Performing Arts Center, 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing. ow.ly/4nd174.

EVENTS

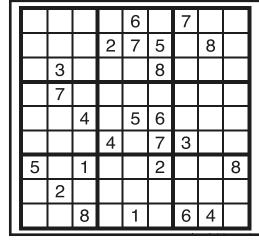
Minecraft Game Night. Ages 8-15 game together. Call or register online. 6:15-7:30 p.m. FREE. CADL Mason, 145 W. Ash St., Mason. (517) 676-9088. Pet Vaccination and Licensing Clinic. Cats and dogs receive free rabies vaccinations and \$5 distemper shots. Microchipping for \$15. Noon-4 p.m. ICAC Community Outreach Center, 826 W. Saginaw St., Lansing. ac.ingham.org.

Teen Asian Snack Trials. Taste Asian snacks and vote for the best. 4-5 p.m. FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

Video Game Night. Ages 8-18 have gaming tournament with snacks. Call to register. 5-7 p.m. FREE. CADL Holt-Delhi, 2078 Aurelius Road, Holt.

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TO PLAY

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FRIDAY, MAY 6 >> MOLLIE O'BRIEN AND RICH MOORE AT TEN POUND FIDDLE

Husband-and-wife duo Mollie O'Brien and Rich Moore bring their wide-ranging show to the Fiddle Friday. The duo, who have been playing together for nearly 30 years, make it their mission to find and reinvent other artists' songs. Their stage show covers a wide range of music — from blues and traditional folk to jazz and rock 'n' roll — with just one singer and one guitarist. The duo are also songwriters, so expect some original tunes at Friday's show. 8 p.m. \$18/\$15 Fiddle members/\$5 students. MSU's Community Music School, 4930 S. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing. (517) 337-7744, tenpoundfiddle.org.





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(517) 694-9351 ext. 3.

After School Teen Program. For teens in 6th-12th grades. 3-5:30 p.m. FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

Saturday, May 7 CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Home Buyer's Education Seminar. Learn about the home buying process. 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. \$25/\$20 in advance. Center for Financial Health, 3815 W. St. Joseph St., Suite B-200, Lansing. centerforfinancialhealth.org.

Tai Chi at Allen Market Place. Instruction in Qigong, meditation and Yang style tai chi forms. No class April 30. 9-10 a.m. FREE. Allen Market Place, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 272-9379.

MUSIC

Mid-Michigan Shape Note Singing. Traditional songs from rural South. 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church, 4515 Dobie Road, Okemos. fasolamichigan.org.

THEATER

Second Semester Studio Production. 8-10 p.m. FREE. LCC Black Box Theatre, Room 168, Gannon Building, 411 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. (517) 483-1488. Water by the Spoonful. Friends on an internet chatroom help each other to survive. 8-9:30 p.m. \$15/\$10 students and seniors. Miller Performing Arts Center, 6025 Curry Lane, Lansing. ow.ly/4nd174. Cinderella. Children's Ballet Theatre of Michigan. 7 p.m. \$15/\$12 students. Holt High School, 5885 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 482-2553, CBTdance.org.

EVENTS

Mother's Day Tea Party. Riverfront tea and snacks with live music and crafts. 3-5 p.m. \$14/\$12 kids. Lansing City Market, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. (517) 483-7460 ext. 234, ow.ly/4nav9D. CADL at Mason Spring Fling Celebration. One free book per child. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE. Mason Courthouse, 160 West Maple St., Mason.

Children's Garden Refresh. Community clean-up of the children's garden and spring planting. 2-4 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420.

CoderDojo. Ages 7-17 learn about coding in informal environment. Call to register. 2-3:30 p.m. FREE. CADL Haslett, 1590 Franklin St., Haslett. (517) 339-2324, cadl.org.

Free Comic Book Day. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Everybody Reads Books and Stuff, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 346-9900. **Free Public Tours.** 1 and 3 p.m. FREE. Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU Campus, East Lansing.

Friends of the Mason Library Used Book Sale. All proceeds benefit the library. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE.

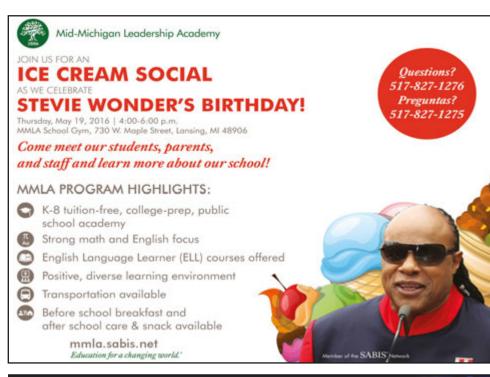
CADL Mason, 145 W. Ash St., Mason. (517) 676-9088. **Mother's Day Celebration.** Crafts, activities and stories. 11 a.m.-noon. FREE. CADL Dansville, 1379 E.

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SATURDAY, MAY 7 >> TEACHING EMPOWERED RALLY

Educators in Michigan come together at the steps of the Capitol Saturday to show policy makers their dedication to education and to improving the teaching environment in the Lansing School District. The rally, organized by the Lansing Schools Education Association, includes guest speakers from Friends of Education. Local food vendors are available, and family-friendly activities include face painting, bounce houses, balloons, a teacher swap meet, live DJ and more. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. FREE. State Capitol Building, 100 Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 999-4002, teachingempowered.com.







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Mason St., Dansville. (517) 623-6511. Native Plants Day and Sale. Native plant education and sale with grower. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. FREE. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Meridian Township. (517) 349-3866, bit.ly/HNCprg.

Teaching Empowered. Patricia Polacco speaks at event featuring food trucks, vendors, teacher swap meet and animals and art for kids. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. FREE. Capitol Lawn, Lansing. (517) 999-4002, teachingempowered.com.

Sunday, May 8 **CLASSES AND SEMINARS**

Charlotte Yoga Club. Beginner to intermediate levels. 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. \$5 annually. AL!VE, 800 W. Lawrence Road. Charlotte. (517) 285-0138. charlotteyoga.net.

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

EVENTS

Free Public Tours. 1 and 3 p.m. FREE. Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU Campus, East Lansing.

CADL Tadpole Storytime at 15. Insect stories for ages 3-6. 1-2 p.m. Impression 5 Science Center, 200 Museum Drive, Lansing.

Dungeons and Dragons Strategy Game for Youth. Kids of all ages welcome. Noon-5 p.m. Everybody Reads Books and Stuff, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 346-9900.

Lansing Area Codependents Anonymous. A fellowship to develop healthy relationships. 2-3 p.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 515-5559, coda.org.

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

Mother's Day Craft. For ages 8 and up. 1-5 p.m. FREE. CADL Holt-Delhi Branch, 2078 Aurelius Road, Holt. (517) 694-9351, cadl.org.

The Little Star That Could. Planetarium show for families. 2:30 p.m \$4/\$3.50 seniors and students/\$3 kids. Abrams Planetarium, 755 Science Road, East Lansing. (517) 355-4672.

THEATER

Cinderella. With the Children's Ballet Theatre of Michigan. 2 p.m. \$15/\$12 students. Holt High School, 5885 Holt Road, Holt. (517) 482-2553, CBTdance.org.

Monday, May 9 **EVENTS**

Breast Cancer Support Group. Education, speakers and support. 7-9 p.m. Sparrow Professional Building, 1200 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 364-5471.

BabyTime. For ages 0-2 with adult, 10:30-11 a.m.

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SATURDAY, MAY 7 >> 2016 SIKH DAY PARADE AND FESTIVAL

Local Sikhs invite the community to celebrate Vaisakhi Day, the most important Sikh holiday of the entire year. The Saturday event offers a visitors a chance to learn about the religion and its teachings. Vaisakhi Day, which is celebrated worldwide, commemorates the anniversary of the first Amrit initiation ceremony, a Sikh baptism ceremony, in 1699. The parade starts at 12:30 p.m. on Grand Avenue next to Adado Riverfront Park and ends at the State Capitol. The festival kicks off at 11:00 a.m. in Adado Riverfront Park. The event is sponsored by the Guru Nanak Sikh Center in Lansing. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. FREE. Adado Riverfront Park, 300 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. (517) 614-1689, lansinggurdwara.com.

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FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

Social Bridge. 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.

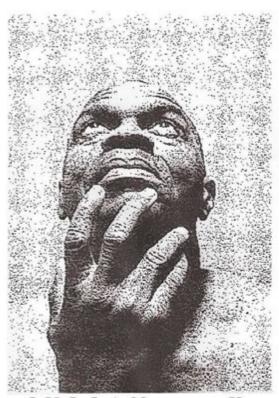
CLASSES AND SEMINARS

Spring Cookbook Review. Discuss favorite cookbooks and share a light snack. 4-5 p.m. FREE.

TUESDAY, MAY 10 >> AN EVENING OF ARTISTIC EXCELLENCE

Homegrown talent takes center state Tuesday as the Building Child and Family Initiatives Empowerment Center presents An Evening of Artistic Excellence with violinist Melissa White and pianist/vocalist Alvin Waddles. The benefit concert celebrates the center's 30 years of service to the Greater Lansing area. White, an alum of the Building Child and Family Initiatives, is an in-demand chamber musician and founding member of the Harlem Quartet. She is joined Tuesday by Waddles, a Detroit-based artist who has served as pianist or musical director for numerous Detroit musical theater performances. VIP tickets include premium seating and a meet-and-greet with the artists. 7 p.m. \$25/\$50 VIP. Pattengill Auditorium, 626 Marshall St., Lansing. (517) 646-9077, bcfi-lansing.org.

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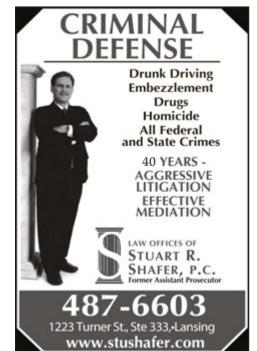
Lansing. (517) 898-1870, lettucelivewell.org.

Red Barn Pottery Open House. Two days of pottery wheel demos and more. 5-8 p.m. Red Barn Pottery, 4098 Zimmer Road, Williamston. facebook.com/redbarnpottery1.

Tuesday, May 10 **CLASSES AND SEMINARS**

Capital City Toastmasters Meeting. Learn public speaking and leadership skills, 7 p.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing Library, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 775-2697, cadl.org. Lansing Area Codependents Anonymous. 5:45-

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Meet the authors



Bonnie Jo Campbell

The National Book Award finalist and Guggenheim Fellow will discuss her acclaimed 2015 title Mothers, Tell Your Daughters. Refreshments and door

> Tuesday, May 10 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. CADL OKEMOS

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Jody Hedlund

Hedlund is the bestselling author of Luther and Katharina and The Preacher's Bride. She will discuss the history and research involved in writing, and how Michigan plays a role in many of her titles.

> Saturday, May 14 2 - 3 p.m.CADL HOLT-DELHI

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By Matt Jones

"Slammed"—prepare to be taken down. Matt Jones

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Free Will Astrology By Rob Brezsny

May 4-10

ARIES (March 21-April 19): "Silence is not silence, but a limit of hearing," writes Jane Hirshfield in her poem "Everything Has Two Endings." This observation is apropos for you right now. There are potentially important messages you're not registering and catalytic influences you can't detect. But their apparent absence is due to a blank spot in your awareness, or maybe a willful ignorance left over from the old days. Now here's the good news: You are primed to expand your listening field. You have an enhanced ability to open certain doors of perception that have been closed. If you capitalize on this opportunity, silence will give way to revelation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your ability to accomplish magic is at a peak, and will continue to soar for at least two more weeks. And when I use that word "magic," I'm not referring to the hocus-pocus performed by illusionists like Criss Angel or Harry Houdini. I'm talking about real feats of transformation that will generate practical benefits in your day-to-day life. Now study the following definitions by writer Somerset Maugham, and have faith in your ability to embody them: "Magic is no more than the art of employing consciously invisible means to produce visible effects. Will, love, and imagination are magic powers that everyone possesses; and whoever knows how to develop them to their fullest extent is a magician."

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): According to author Vladimir Nabokov, the Russian word toska means "a dull ache of the soul, a longing with nothing to long for, a sick pining, a vague restlessness." Linguist Anna Wierzbicka says it conveys an emotion that blends melancholy, boredom, and vearning, Journalist Nick Ashdown suggests that for someone experiencing toska, the thing that's yearned for may be "intangible and impossible to actually obtain." How are doing with your own toska, Gemini? Is it conceivable that you could escape it -- maybe even heal it? I think you can. I think you will. Before you do, though, I hope you'll take time to explore it further. Toska has more to teach you about the previously hidden meaning of your life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): "Gandhi's autobiography is on my pillow," writes Cancerian poet Buddy Wakefield. "I put it there every morning after making my bed so I'll remember to read it before falling asleep. I've been reading it for 6 years. I'm on Chapter 2." What's the equivalent phenomenon in your world, my fellow Crab? What good deed or righteous activity have you been pursuing with glacial diligence? Is there a healthy change you've been thinking about forever, but not making much progress on? The mood and the sway of the coming days will bring you a good chance to expedite the process. In Wakefield's case, he could get up to Chapter 17.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): In the 16th century, European explorers searched South America in quest of a mythical city of gold known as El Dorado. Tibetan Buddhist tradition speaks of Shambhala, a magical holy kingdom where only enlightened beings live. In the legends of ancient Greece, Hyperborea was a sunny paradise where the average human life span was a thousand vears and happiness was normal. Now is an excellent time for you to fantasize about your own version of utopia, Leo. Why? First, your imagination is primed to expand. Second, dreaming big will be good for your mental and physical health. There's another reason, too: By envisioning the most beautiful world possible, you will mobilize your idealism and boost your ability to create the best life for yourself in the coming months.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): "Anytime you're going to grow, you're going to lose something," said psychologist James Hillman. "You're losing what you're hanging onto to keep safe. You're losing habits that you're comfortable with, you're losing familiarity." I nominate these thoughts to serve as your words of wisdom in the coming weeks. Virgo, From an astrological perspective

you are in a phase when luxuriant growth is possible. To harvest the fullness of the lush opportunities, you should be willing to shed outworn stuff that might inter-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): On Cracked.com, Auntie Meme tells us that many commonly-held ideas about history are wrong. There were no such things as chastity belts in the Middle Ages, for example. Napoleon's soldiers didn't shoot off the nose of the Sphinx when they were stationed in Egypt. In regards to starving peasants, Marie Antoinette never derisively said, "Let them eat cake." And no Christians ever became meals for lions in ancient Rome's Colosseum (More: tinyurl com/historicaljive.) In the spirit of Auntie Meme's exposé, and in alignment with the astrological omens, I invite you to uncover and correct at least three fabrications, fables, and lies about your own past.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Poet Charles Wright marvels at the hummingbird, "who has to eat sixty times his own weight a day just to stay alive. Now that's a life on the edge." In the coming weeks, Scorpio, your modus operandi may have resemblances to the hummingbird's approach. I don't mean to suggest that you will be in a manic survival mode. Rather, I expect you'll feel called to nourish your soul with more intensity than usual. You'll need to continuously fill yourself up with experiences that inspire, teach, and transform you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): "Anybody can become angry," said Greek philosopher Aristotle. "That is easy; but to be angry with the right person, and to the right degree, and at the right time, for the right purpose, and in the right way, that is not within everybody's power and is not easy." I'm pleased to inform you, Sagittarius, that now is a time when you have an exceptional capacity for meeting Aristotle's high standards. In fact, I encourage you to honor and learn all you can from your finely-honed and well-expressed anger. Make it work wonders for you. Use it so constructively that no one can complain.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): To celebrate your arrival at the height of your sex appeal, I'm resurrecting the old-fashioned word "vavoom." Feel free to use it as your nickname. Pepper it into your conversations in place of terms like "awesome," "wow," or "yikes." Use a felt-tip marker to make a temporary VAVOOM tattoo on your beautiful body. Here are other enchanted words you should take charge of and make an intimate part of your daily presentation; verve, vim. vivid, vitality, vigor. voracious, vivacious, visceral, valor, victory, and VIVA!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): When he was a boy, Mayan poet Humberto Ak'ab'al asked his mother, "What are those things that shine in the sky?" "Bees," she answered mischievously. "Every night since then," Humberto writes, "my eyes eat honey." In response to this lyrical play, the logical part of our brains might rise up and say, "What a load of nonsense!" But I will ask you to set aside the logical part of your brain for now, Aquarius. According to my understanding of the astrological omens, the coming days will be a time when you need a big dose of sweet fantasies, dreamy stories, and maybe even beautiful nonsense. What are your equivalents of seeing bees making honey in the night sky's pinpoints of light?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): "Sometimes, a seemingly insignificant detail reveals a whole world," says artist Pierre Cordier. "Like the messages hidden by spies in the dot of an i." These are precisely the minutiae that you should be extra alert for in the coming days, Pisces. Major revelations may emerge from what at first seems trivial. Generous insights could ignite in response to small acts of beauty and subtle shifts of tone. Do you want glimpses of the big picture and the long-range future? Then be reverent toward the fine points and modest specifics

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6:45 p.m. FREE. Everybody Reads, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 515-5559, coda.org.

Overeaters Anonymous. Support for weight loss efforts. 7 p.m. FREE. Okemos Presbyterian Church, 2258 Bennett Road, Okemos. (517) 819-3294.

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ow.ly/Yu9ZM.

Yawn Patrol Toastmasters. Learn public speaking. 7-8:30 a.m. Studio 1210 Place. 1210 Turner

St., Lansing. (989) 859-2086, yawnpatrol.com.

LITERATURE AND POETRY

Books on Tap. "The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox" by Maggie O'Farrell. 6:30 p.m. FREE. Jimmy's Pub, 16804 Chandler Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420. Meet Author Bonnie Jo Campbell. Author of "Mothers, Tell Your Daughters" visits and signs books. 6:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. CADL Okemos, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 347-2021, cadl.org.

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Jazz Tuesdays at Moriarty's. 7-10 p.m. FREE. Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 485-5287.

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Bible and Beer. Discussion of scripture's power in daily events. 6 p.m. Kelly's Downtown, 220 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 482-0600, bibleandbeer@ccclansing.org.

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Cornerstone Drive, Lansing. toastmasters.org. **Reminisce Group: Digitizing Family Photos.** Local History Librarian shows how to preserve and organize photos. 2-3 p.m. FREE. CADL Aurelius, 1939 S. Aurelius Road, Mason.

ToddlerTime. Ages 18-36 months listen to stories,

music and get moving. 10:30-11 a.m. FREE. All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbot Road, East Lansing. **Weekday Wildflower Walk.** Naturalist-led walk to view wildflowers. 10:30-11:30 a.m. \$3. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Meridian Township. (517) 349-3866, bit.ly/HNCprg.

Wednesday, May 11 EVENTS

After School Movie. Come in after school to enjoy popcorn and a movie. 3-4:30 p.m. FREE. CADL Haslett, 1590 Franklin St., Haslett. (517) 339-2324. International Dinner. Featuring foods from Korea, Mexico and the U.S. 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$5/\$10 per family. Asbury United Methodist Church, 2200 Lake Lansing Road, Lansing. (517) 484-5794, asburyumclansing.org.

Make and Take Sugar Scrubs. Ages 5 and up make aromatic sugar scrub. 6:30-7:30 p.m. ELPL 2.0 Maker Studio, 300 M.A.C. Ave., East Lansing. Post-Polio Support Group Meeting. Eating Wisely: food intolerance and maintaining health. 1:30-3 p.m. FREE, donations welcome. Plymouth Congregational Church, 2001 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 339-1039.

Southeast Lansing Community Roundtable. Discussion for members of Second Ward community. RSVP to 2ndwardintern@gmail.com. 5:30-7 p.m. FREE. Cristo Rey Church, 201 W. Miller Road, Lansing. (517) 881-7655, ow.ly/4nkaOh. Spring Salad Luncheon. Includes brats, salads, tea, coffee and dessert. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. \$9. Lansing Liederkranz Club, 5828 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 882-6330.

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Photo by Laura Wixson

Jason Franks (left) and Lance Davis, co-owners of Artisan Company Salon, a new hair styling studio and spa opening next week in REO Town.

By ALLAN I. ROSS

Over the next week, a 2,800-square-foot building in REO Town will undergo some big cosmetic changes as it transforms from a vacant law office into a destination hair salon. A gray hardwood floor will be laid down over the bare cement slab on the first floor. A faux grass wall will cover the rear section of one of the first-story rooms. And Jason Franks, co-owner/operator of the forthcoming **Artisan Company Salon**, will oversee the placement of all the building's furniture, including the 14 custom-built styling stations on the second floor.

"I've got my work cut out for me," the 30-year-old hair stylist said. "It's going to take a lot of work, but it's going to look amazing in here. I can envision it in my head, and I can't wait to share that vision with everyone else."

Franks, 30, is a graduate of the **Douglas J Áveda Institute** in East Lansing. He's worked at several salons around Metro Lansing, including **Fahrenheit Tanning and Salon** in Eaton Rapids, where he became a standout with his hair-coloring skills.

"I'm out there," Franks said. "I was doing crazy hair colors years before purple ombré was popular. I'm a freak, and this is hair for freaks."

A daring claim for an aspiring entrepreneur, but Franks' work speaks for itself. His partner, Lance Davis, is general manager at **Gilbert & Blake's** in Okemos. He referred some of the servers there to Franks, who started doing their hair. His work caught the eye of an investor, who sought Franks out.

"He saw my work and told me this was a fantastic business opportunity," Franks said. "The pieces started to come together soon after that."

That was last fall. Franks, Davis and the man who became Artisan's silent partner found the building in December.

"REO Town has been very welcoming to us and extremely helpful getting us settled in," Franks said. "I come from a small town. Even though Lansing isn't small, REO Town still has that small town feeling I love so much."

Franks grew up in Oscoda. He started doing hair at 7, creating styles for his sisters and his mother. Word got around, and he soon found himself doing the hair of family friends, and then friends of those friends. Interestingly, however, he never saw hairstyling as a career.

"I wanted to be an actor," Franks said. "But after devoting years to community theater and performing in cabarets, I decided I needed to do something else. Being a stylist seemed to make sense. I'd always had a knack for hair, but it wasn't until I was at Douglas J that my love of hair really blossomed. I learned about the infinite possibilities of what you can do."

Franks' clientele drives from as far away as Detroit

and Chicago to see him, and he credits the rise of social media for spreading the word about his work. His flair for bright color made for particularly eye-catching photos. He's hoping to extend that visionary style to both the interior and exterior Artisan Company Salon.

"I wanted this place to be real," Franks said. "I want it to be gnarly. (Lansing muralist) Steve Allen is doing this huge mural on one of the inside walls and creating something on the outside to make it visible from (Washington Avenue). I'm calling the look 'industrial Bohemian."

When he opens next week, Franks will have seven employees. He hopes to build that up to 14 full-time stylists. He also plans to have two massage therapists and a mani/pedi station coming later. He is seeking out stylists with a broad range of specialties.

"I've built a name on doing color," Franks said, "but I want to offer a full spectrum."

Franks will carry products that are all-natural and feature furniture made from reclaimed barn wood, steel and concrete.

Franks has a grand opening scheduled for June 11, featuring a jazz band and fire-eaters. He hopes to feature food by neighborhood eateries **Saddleback BBQ** and **Good Truckin' Diner.** He's hoping to draw a lot of people to REO Town who may not have ventured there before and has set up the event to serve as a sampler of the community. He said he thinks Artisan will complement REO Town well because of a shared "grittiness." While the nature of hair styling concentrates on exterior appearance, Franks' philosophy falls more toward the interior.

"When I went to hair school, I was afraid (being a stylist) was going to be focused on the superficial," he said. "But I've actually found that it's the opposite. Now I understand true beauty, and it has nothing to do with hair. If you make someone feel pretty with a new hair style or some color, you can bring that inner beauty out. That's all I'm doing."

No Tom, no Chee

Downtown Lansing's 2-year-old **Tom+Chee** location, 123 S. Washington Square, appears to be permanently closed. A sign on the door asserts that it's only closed for renovations, but the store's phone has been disconnected, its Facebook page has been deleted and the location is no longer listed on the national franchise's website.

A phone call to one of the owners was not returned. Tom+Chee started as a soup-and-sandwich shop in Cincinnati, and grew into a national chain following a successful appearance on the reality TV show "Shark Tank."

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Charlotte folks have practically grown up with P.J.s — they have been on the menu through several years and owners. The current owner, Mike Rodocker, added a twist to make P.J.s into a meal. The dish is called Pancho Nachos. Imagine beef or chicken nachos topped with cheese, diced onions, lettomatoes,



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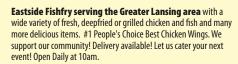
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