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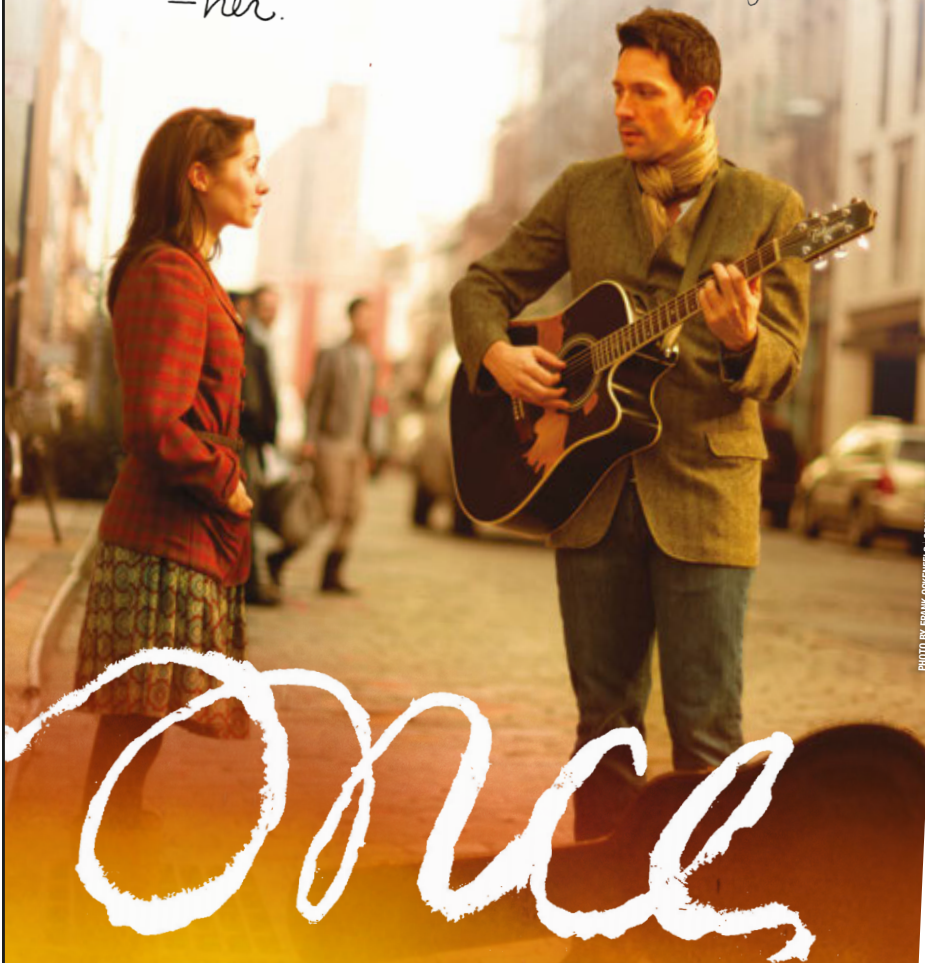
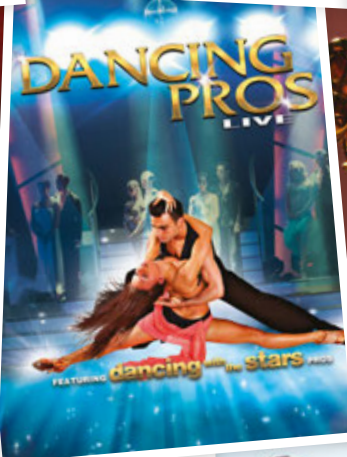
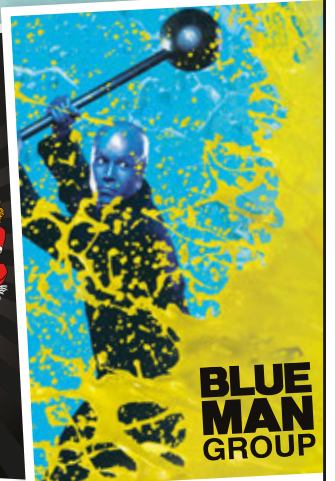
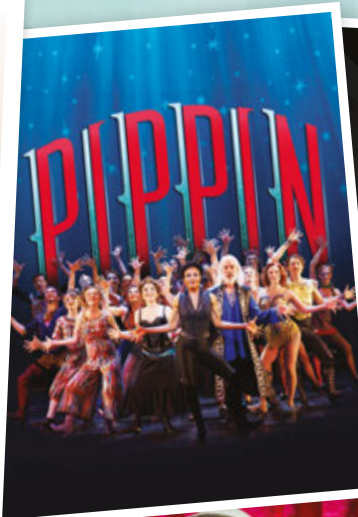


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Support for carbon pollution standards

The Administration has taken another bold step to address the greatest threat of our time, climate change. Until now, there have been no federal limits on the carbon pollution that fuels climate change, despite current safeguards against mercury, arsenic, soot and other dangerous pollution.

The newly unveiled carbon pollution standards will ensure that power plants can no longer dump unlimited amounts of carbon pollution into the air, protecting our children and future generations from the growing threats of climate change. Across the country, businesses, elected officials, faith groups, public health advocates, industry, community advocacy groups, national security and labor groups have all demanded action against climate change. The time to act is now, to protect public health, address the carbon pollution that is fueling climate change and extreme weather, and move toward cleaner, safer energy that will grow our economy and create jobs.

— Michelle Rich
East Lansing

Goodrich's Shop-Rite made us cool

I would like to add my voice to the sad chorus lamenting the loss of Goodrich's Shop-Rite. Lansing aspires to be a "cool city" but it's places like Goodrich's that make a city cool and interesting. Goodrich's was an old, beloved institution in this town. It was quaint and homey, while at the same time offering a sophisticated array of groceries, wines and beers that rivaled any store twice its size. Goodrich's filled a unique niche in this community. It was one of the places that set us apart from other cities. I used to take friends there when they visited to show them the kind of homegrown store that no longer exists in most other towns. And now sadly, it no longer exists here either.

The people – the city fathers, and developers who are responsible for this sad loss have done a great disservice to our community. I will not be shopping at Fresh Thyme.

— Janice Ahee
East Lansing

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Web stories from the week

Asset freeze stalls neighborhood groups

As many as a dozen nonprofits, neighborhood watches and neighborhood organizations that relied on the Lansing Neighborhood Council as their fiscal sponsor are locked out of access to their funds as a result of a Lansing Police investigation. The money was frozen and a police investigation launched after an outside accounting firm was hired to conduct a review of the LNC operations. On Aug. 1, the city severed ties with the 34-year-old organization due to "serious irregularities in the accounting and cash management policies."

Lessons of a legend in Lansing

The apparent suicide of Robin Williams Aug. 11 after battling depression sent shockwaves across the nation. Williams spent his youth in Bloomfield Hills and attended the Detroit Country Day School. His comedy tour came to the MSU Auditorium in 2009.

Local residents said Williams' story resonated with them deeply.

"For me it's still a daily fight, a battle against myself, or my brain, to just keep moving forward," said Kate Sumbler.

WMU Cooley Law School faculty layoffs

Deep faculty and staff cuts are underway at Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School — 50 percent or more, sources said.

James Robb, associate dean of external affairs and senior counsel to the school, confirmed the layoffs are underway, but he would not cite a number. They are a "painful but necessary" process to help "right-size the organization," he said.

"I can tell you there are reductions at each of the Michigan campuses," he said.

Cooley, the country's largest law school by enrollment, boasted a faculty of 271, full time and part time, according to its website. The school has seen more than a 40 percent drop in enrollment over the past few years.

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Contact Berl Schwartz for more information:
publisher@lansingcitypulse.com
or (517) 999-5061

(Please include your name, address and telephone number so we can reach you. Keep letters to 250 words or fewer. City Pulse reserves the right to edit letters and columns.)

Correction

Because of a reporting error, a story in the Aug. 13 issue incorrectly reported on plans for replacing Greg Adaline as anchorman at WLNS. Evan Pinsonnault will not fill in while the station seeks a replacement.

Because of a writing error, a story in last week's issue misstated City Pulse's age. City Pulse has begun its 14th year.

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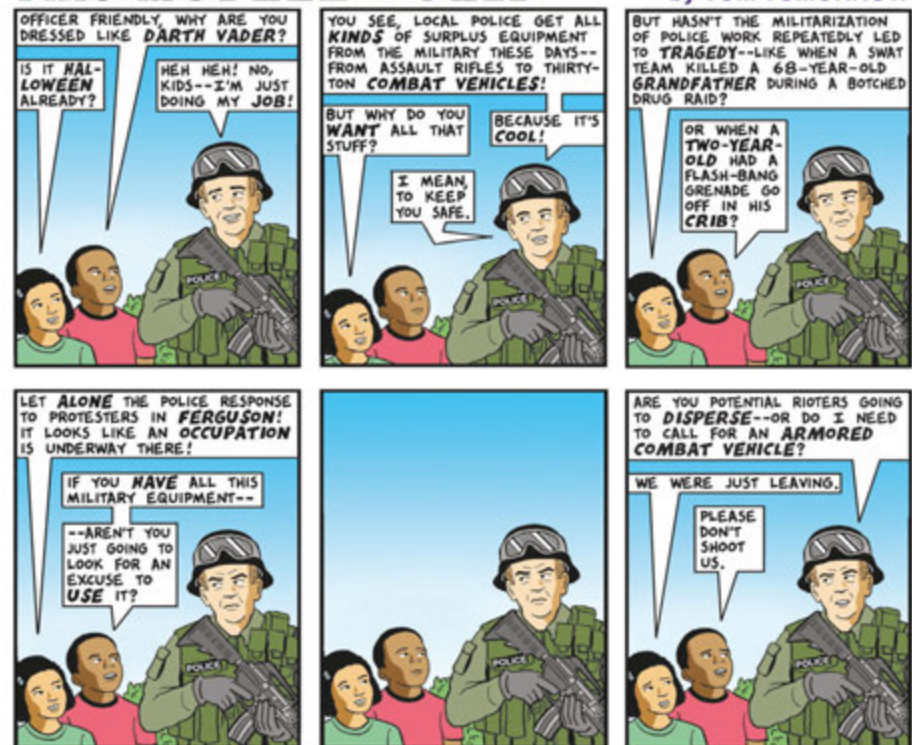


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THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW



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NEWS & OPINION

Rewind the rollout?

LEAP calls Red Cedar Hyatt announcement premature

By MICKEY HIRTEN

Developers of the \$200 million-plus Red Cedar Renaissance project are negotiating with Hyatt International for a full-service hotel fronting Michigan Avenue.

But there are enough outstanding questions about financing for the development and the quality of the project that the Lansing Economic Area Partnership, which along with the city is negotiating the project, is calling the announcement premature.

"There continue to be important questions that the developer has yet to answer," said Bob Trezise, president and CEO of LEAP. "Before we move forward there is a great deal of additional due diligence that needs to happen."

Caught off guard by the Hyatt announcement, made Tuesday by developers Joel Ferguson and Frank Kass, officials noted that the property has yet to be sold. There are significant challenges to building on the former golf course site that could require moving as much as 300,000 cubic yards of earth. And there are issues with the cost of redesigning drains tied to the project.

Which is why negotiations are continuing.

"We have a responsibility to the public to make sure a deal is correct," Trezise said. "Quality, not speed, is our priority."

All parties had hoped to agree on a sale price for the property by April 30, and there is a significant difference between what LEAP and the city are seeking for the property, which was appraised at \$10.8 million, and what the Ferguson side wants to pay.

The Red Cedar redevelopment project

is seen by city officials as a game changer that will speed redevelopment on the east side of Lansing, spur employment and provide tax revenue. "We really do believe in this project," Trezise said.

The project is a mixed-use development — housing, retail, offices and hospitality -- in a 36-acre park setting just south of Frandor and Michigan Avenue. The site, which includes the Red Cedar flood plain, will feature significant parkland.

Lansing has been seeking a large hotel for decades. The proposed 200-room Hyatt, with banquet facilities and restaurant, would be the first major hotel in Lansing since the 256-room



Submitted photo

Rendering of proposed Red Cedar Renaissance development project. Developers announced a possible Hyatt hotel will be included, which others involved say is premature to confirm.

Radisson was built in 1985. It also represents a significant advance for the Red Cedar project.

"It shows that we have momentum going. It means we have a great hotel with great restaurants. A place for meetings. It enhances the whole development," said Ferguson. Besides the hotel, he and his partner want to include a large medical facility, retail, offices and restaurants along Michigan Avenue, with housing and retail toward the back of the property and student housing along the eastern boundary.

Hyatt is working on the Red Cedar project with Concord Hospitality Enterprises, Co., a North Carolina-based hotel management and development company. Concord owns and operates the Crossroads Marriott in Lansing. It is involved with three other properties in the Michigan: a Hyatt Place in Grand Rapids, a Courtyard Marriott in Detroit and a Baronette Renaissance in Novi. It has

management agreements with Marriott, Hilton, Starwood, Hyatt, Choice and InterContinental Hotels and proclaims development of more than \$1 billion of projects in virtually every hotel segment.

Hyatt confirmed its interest in the Red Cedar project in a July 29 letter to Mark Laport, Concord president and CEO.

"We believe that the location, proposed mixed-use amenity base, and exceptional connectivity to the Lansing, East Lansing and Michigan State University communities would make Red Cedar ideally suited for a full-service Hyatt Hotel," David J. Tarr, Hyatt's senior vice president for Real Estate and Development, wrote.

For Lansing, the ability to attract a

hotel in its downtown district has been encumbered by an exclusivity agreement between the city and the hotels owners' financial difficulties. The hotel's first investors, Block 100 Limited Partnership, received a \$4.3 million federal grant from the city in 1985. Repayments lagged and by 2005, principle on the loan had grown to \$17 million. The Radisson's owners were threatening to close the hotel unless the city provided financial relief. It did.

Adding to the politically charged atmosphere of the mayoral election between incumbent, Tony Benavides and challenger Virg Bernero, the Lansing City Council voted to forgive the outstanding debt and require the the investors to pay \$500,000 for the next two years and sought optional payments of \$100,000 a year through 2018.

The deal also included a provision that prevented the city from subsidizing another hotel in the downtown area by any more than 15 percent. The boundaries of downtown were considered vague at the time. And a Hyatt at the Red Cedar site would be consider well outside any downtown district.

The Red Cedar Hyatt would be the chain's second property in the Lansing area.

CSM Lodging, a division of CSM Corp., based in Minnesota, is building an \$18 million, 125-room Hyatt Place hotel at Eastwood Towne Center. It expected to open in spring 2015.



Property: 1044 Sunset Lane, East Lansing

Owner: Janice Pfeifer

Assessed: \$89,600

At first glance, this innocuous house is typical of those throughout its neighborhood. It displays a pleasant, simple mass, offset by tired synthetic siding. However, the retractable awning is a throwback to low-tech solutions to heating and cooling a house. However charming, this small detail does not diminish the crumpled remains of an enclosed porch on the side of the house.

The porch appears to be a casualty of disrepair, neglect and Mother Nature. Despite their popularity in modern architecture, flat roofs are ill-fitted to the Midwest's cold, wet climate.

This past winter's deep, heavy snows undoubtedly tested the limits of the unfortunate porch. As it was located on the home's north side, the sun had little opportunity to reduce the snow load through melting. Months later, the porch remains in a heap next to the building.

— Daniel E. Bollman, AIA

"Eyesore of the Week" is our look at some of the seedier properties in Lansing. It rotates each week with Eye Candy of the Week. If you have a suggestion, please e-mail eye@lansingcitypulse.com or call Belinda Thurston at 999-5065.

Compassion tour

Monks share blessings, smiles and peace in Lansing

By BELINDA THURSTON

More than 60 people attended a last-minute stop on a Tibetan monk tour of the United States Sunday at The Light House Chapel.

The Monks of Ganden Shartse Dolkhang are touring to share their culture, philosophy and arts, and to raise money to build dorms and a prayer hall at their monastery in Southern India.

The event raised more than \$1,500 for the monastery construction effort, said Linda Mogyoros, minister of The Light House Chapel.

While the trip aims to raise money, Geshe Gyaltzen, one of the coordinators for the monastery, said the spiritual mission is most important.

“But most important is to help people in their daily life with health and peace and relaxation,” he said.

The six monks shared a meal with the congregation before the ceremony. They



Courtesy of Mark Galik
Tibetan monks performed a special healing ceremony at The Light House Chapel Sunday. The visit was a part of a national Compassion Tour 2014, raising money to build a new monastery in India.

mingled easily with teens and elders, laughing and freely offering prayers and blessings to anyone who asked.

The monks shared a vajra ceremony that involved chanting, sprinkling water with a peacock feather onto participants and a purification practice. The heal-

ing purification involved using a ball of dough to absorb negativity, disease and injury from the body. Participants received colorful woven twine, called a protection cord, to carry the protection they received with them around their neck or wrists.

After the ceremony the monks were presented with traditional khatas, silk scarves, by members of the congregation.

The monks had singing bowls, incense and other Tibetan items on sale after the ceremony.

“We are helping by offering purifica-

tion ceremonies to help with health, not for people to become Buddhists. We’re not here to change your religion. Keep your religion. We want to help spread peace.”

Mogyoros said the ceremony was unforgettable.

“I kinda zoned out for a while,” she said of the ceremony, which included bells, anointing, chanting and gifts.

Kathy Caldwell, of Grand Ledge, said she walked away with this message: “With an attitude of compassion all things are possible.”

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These Drains are located in the following: Townships of **Alaieidon, Ingham, Leroy, Leslie, Locke, Meridian, Stockbridge, Vevay, White Oak, and Williamstown;** and, **Cities of East Lansing, Lansing, Leslie, and Mason;** and, **Villages of Dansville, Stockbridge, and Webberville.**

A Public Hearing of Apportionment will be held at the office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner, 707 Buhl Avenue, in the City of Mason, Michigan, 48854, on **Wednesday, September 3, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Sincerely,

Patrick E. Lindemann
Ingham County Drain Commissioner

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July 15, 2014 Regular Meeting

ELIZABETH LEGOFF
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TOWNSHIP CLERK
CP#14_206

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING EAST LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given of the following public hearing to be held by the East Lansing Planning Commission on **Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**, in the 54-B District Court, Courtroom 2, 101 Linden Street, East Lansing:

A public hearing will be held to consider Ordinance 1336 is a city-initiated ordinance to amend Sections 2-311, 2-312 and 2-313 of Article V – Boards and Commissions – of Chapter 2 – Administration and Sections 50-37 and 50-38 of Article II – Administration and Enforcement – of Chapter 50 – Zoning- of the Code of the City of East Lansing to Establish a Public Art Requirement for Future Developments and Provide Exceptions Thereto.

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
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W65-00	WHITEHILLS WOODS DRAIN

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A Public Hearing of Apportionment will be held at the office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner, 707 Buhl Avenue, in the City of Mason, Michigan, 48854, on **Thursday, August 28, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Sincerely,

Patrick E. Lindemann
Ingham County Drain Commissioner

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Cool off at Cooley

While law schools enrollments throughout the country are off significantly, the decline has been devastating for Lansing's Cooley law school.

An analysis published in February by The National Jurist magazine quantified the collapse when it reported:

“Eighteen law schools saw enrollment drop by more than 30 percent, led by University of La Verne (down 66.2 percent) and Thomas M. Cooley Law School (down 40.6 percent). Cooley Law School, with five campuses in Michigan and Florida, dropped from 3,931 students in 2010-2011

to 2,334 students in 2013-2014, the single largest drop in raw numbers.”



MICKEY HIRTEN

To address the declines, Western Michigan University Cooley Law School, as it has renamed itself, is cutting faculty and staff, ending incoming enrollments at its Ann Arbor campus and restructuring its finances. No doubt, it will balance its books. Expense cuts for a product as broad and ranging as legal education give a law school lots of wiggle room. But it will be a very different organization.

There are about 200 law schools in the United States, and according to an analysis by Cooley founder Thomas E. Brennan and the school's president, Don LeDuc, Cooley is ranked second among them, just behind Harvard. Cooley's exulted position, based on an analysis of enrollment, applications, faculty and other statistics, is derided by many in the legal profession. There are statistics provided to the American Bar Association by all schools that offer some perspective, and perhaps explain why Cooley's enrollment is off.

Here is the short version: Tuition at Cooley is expensive. Moreover, in 2013 only a third of graduates got jobs requiring that they pass a bar exam. In fact, many were unemployed.

Compared with other law schools in the state — notably, Michigan State University College of Law and the University of Michigan — Cooley's ABA report card is weak. But where U of M positions itself among the nation's elite law schools, and the MSU College of Law aspires to a loftier perch, Cooley has built its franchise on a law education for most of those who apply for enrollment. That is, when they apply.

Here is how the three law schools compare.

Cooley

It's a given that most students at law

schools want to be lawyers and most want to practice law. For students with Cooley degrees, this is a challenge. Its employment summary for 2013 graduates tracked 1,143 students. Of those, just 332 reported that they had jobs that required passage of a bar exam. Of those 332, 46 said they worked at solo law firms. Essentially, they were self-employed.

Another 171 graduates reported they had jobs where a law degree was considered an advantage, but not a requirement, positions like corporate contract administrators, FBI agents or law school admissions officers. Of the class, 319 said they were unemployed but seeking work. There were another 68 whose employment status was unknown.

MSU

For MSU, of the 301 students in its 2013 class, 143 has jobs that required passage of a bar exam and only three worked solo. Another 100 had JD advantage jobs and 21 were unemployed.

U of M

According to its 2012 report, 320 of its 388 graduates had a bar-exam-required job, 16 had JD advantage jobs and 16 were unemployed. From that class, 109 students reported that they were employed by law firms with 501 or more lawyers. These are often the most coveted entry-level jobs.

All three of the law schools provide grants and scholarships. But a law school degree still leaves many graduates with large debts.

At Cooley, tuition and fees for the 2013 academic year were \$43,540, with estimated off-campus living expense of \$17,584. At MSU tuition and fees were \$35,844, with campus or off-campus living expenses of \$15,426. Michigan's tuition/fees were \$49,784 with off-campus living expenses of \$18,700. So it costs about \$50,000 a year at MSU, about \$68,000 at U of M, and about \$61,000 at Cooley.

Here is where the three schools also show their differences. At Cooley, befitting its everyman admissions strategy, the median GPA was 2.96. At MSU, it's 3.52 and at U of M, 3.71. LSAT scores are skewed similarly.

The dropout rate at Cooley is high — 10.7 percent in 2012 for freshmen. Eight percent of students dropped out in the second year and just a half percent in the third year. Very few freshmen drop out at MSU or U of M — 2.4 percent and 1.7 percent respectively. At Cooley far more students transfer out than transfer in. It's the reverse at the other schools.

The job outlook for graduates everywhere is bleak. For the 2013 class, the ABA reported that 57 percent of 46,776 graduates (the largest law class ever) had bar passage jobs, with another 10 percent holding JD advantage jobs. That still leaves a lot of potential lawyers out of work in a field where growth is only projected to be average for the rest of the decade.

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2014 PULSAR WINNERS

Standing ovation for Beachler at interactive annual theater awards

By PAUL WOZNIAK

The 2014 City Pulse Pulsars, recognizing the best in Lansing theater, were handed out Monday night at Over the Ledge Theatre in Grand Ledge. Kelly Stuible and Veronica Gracia-Wing hosted the evening's festivities. Instead of scheduled presenters and entertainers, Stuible and Gracia-Wing invited audience members to read the nominees and winners from the screen. Winners in "musical" categories were asked to sing for their award.

Multiple winners this year included the musical "Peter Pan" at Michigan State University and the period tragicomedy "The Lion in Winter" at Williamston Theatre.

"Peter Pan" won six Pulsars, including Best Director of a Musical, Best Musical Director, and Best Supporting Actress in a Musical for MFA student Jaqueline Wheeler as Captain Hook. To "earn" her award, Wheeler led the audience in the refrain of "Hook's Waltz"; "Who's the swin-

ey-est swine in the world? Captain Hook!"

Beloved musical "Irving Berlin's White Christmas" at Riverwalk Theatre won Best Musical. Director Jane Falion accepted the Pulsar (her first) along with the entire cast, which joined Falion onstage.



Beachler

Other evening highlights included a special presentation to Ken Beachler, who won the Pulsar for "Best Featured Actor in a Musical." In a video, WLNS' Evan Pinsonnault introduced a highlight reel of footage and photographs from Beachler's extensive stage career as an actor and director. The crowd gave Beachler a standing ovation.

The panel of Pulsar judges comprises Erin Buitendorp, Mary C. Cusack, Kathy Helma, Tom Helma, Ute von der Heyden and Paul Wozniak. More than 40 productions that opened between August 2013 and July of this year were evaluated and rated for this year's field.



Photo by Aniniko Artistry

Scott Laban receives his Pulsar for best supporting actor, musical.

BEST COSTUMES

Amber Marisa Cook
"The Lion in Winter"
Williamston Theatre

BEST MAKEUP

Daniel Moore
"In the Next Room, or the vibrator play"
Over the Ledge Theatre Co.

BEST FEATURED ACTOR/PLAY

Devin Faught
"Clybourne Park"
Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.

BEST FEATURED ACTOR/MUSICAL

Ken Beachler
"Irving Berlin's White Christmas"
Riverwalk Theatre

BEST FEATURED ACTRESS/PLAY

Lela Ivey
"Other Desert Cities"
Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.

BEST FEATURED ACTRESS/MUSICAL

Tigiste Habtemariam
"Bonnie and Clyde: A New Musical"
Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.

BEST LIGHTING

Joe Dickson
"A Wrinkle in Time"
Over the Ledge Theatre Co.

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Ray Kurtis/Melody Teodora-Kurtis
"In the Next Room, or the vibrator play"
Over the Ledge Theatre Co.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR/PLAY

Andrew Head
"The Lion in Winter"
Williamston Theatre

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR/MUSICAL

Scott Laban
"Bonnie and Clyde: A New Musical"
Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS/PLAY

Jenise Cook
"Clybourne Park"
Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS/MUSICAL

Jacqueline Wheeler
"Peter Pan"
Michigan State University
Department of Theatre

BEST SET DESIGN

Bartley H. Bauer
"Frankie and Johnny in the
Clair de Lune"
Williamston Theatre

BEST SOUND

Joe Dickson
"A Wrinkle in Time"
Over the Ledge Theatre Co.

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John Lepard
"Frankie and Johnny in the
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Williamston Theatre

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"Peter Pan"
Michigan State University
Department of Theatre

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Singh/Ranjani Srinivasa/Zev Steinberg
"Peter Pan"
Michigan State University
Department of Theatre

BEST DIRECTOR/PLAY

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"Frankie and Johnny in the
Clair de Lune"
Williamston Theatre

BEST DIRECTOR/MUSICAL

Rob Roznowski
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Michigan State University
Department of Theatre

BEST PLAY

"The Lion in Winter"
Williamston Theatre

BEST MUSICAL

"Irving Berlin's White Christmas"
Riverwalk Theatre

Pole-vaulting the gamut

2014 Renegade Theatre Festival gives reviewers plenty to cover

From sleepers to yawners, "Campfire" to "Cock," real-life stories to imaginary friends, the 2014 Renegade Theatre Festival didn't just run the gamut, it pole-vaulted over it, Roto-tilled it and planted purple petunias on top. Thankfully, City Pulse's skulking band of undercover critics were on hand to chronicle Lansing's end-of-summer cornucopia of productions from local theater companies and independents. Here are their reports of confusion, pleasure, bemusement and, above all, gratitude for license to gratuitously say "Cock."

'Cock' (Peppermint Creek Theatre Co.)

"Cock" is the bittersweet story of John (Scott Laban), a boy-man who can't decide what he is. The debate on what "what" is, as defined by those around him, is centered on his sexuality. John vacillates between a relationship with a nameless man (Devin Fraught) and woman (Meghan Malusek). As the debates rage, it seems that the real question is not what John is, but who he is. John's boyfriend sneers that he is a "collection of things that don't amount" to anything. The cast, rounded out by Michael Hays as the man's father, was dedicated to the difficult material, heightening the inten-



Photo by Ariniko Artistry

Various spoken word artists share their art and message at the Old Town General Store during the Renegade Theatre Festival this year.

sity of the work. The play was such a hit that an encore presentation is being planned for Aug. 21 at MICA Gallery. -*Mary Cusack*

'North Gier Street' (independent production)

Thank you, Renegade Festival organizers, for giving a solo spot in your Mainstage line-up to a guy probably no one in the Lansing theatre community has ever heard of.

The guy is Raymond Goodwin, manager of human resources at Central Michigan University, who wrote and performed his play, "North Gier Street." (Goodwin

is also the author of "Sawdusted: Notes from a Post-Boom Mill," a 2011 Michigan Notable Book.) The play is set in the summer of 1970 on Lansing's real Gier Street, home to fictional Marty Beeson, a junior high school English teacher. Mixing drama, poetry, essays and news reporting, Beeson recalls in touching detail the horrific days of the kidnap-murder of Laurie Murningham, daughter of then-mayor Max Murningham, which "sent the whole city into shock." This was also the era of the Vietnam War, the Kent State shootings and relentless cultural upheavals. Beeson describes those painful times through actual neighborhood incidents, philosophical musings and street-

wise observations, revealing his own decency and tender heart.

Goodwin is not a trained actor and did not pretend to be one, but he made the audience happy with his natural stage presence and his mastery of the art of storytelling. -*Ute von der Hayden*

'Campfire' (Williamston Theatre)

Williamston Theatre's staged reading of the latest work by playwright Joseph Zettelmaier lived up to its billing as a horror play. The Carver siblings (Robin Lewis-Bedz and Mitchell Koory) join their uncle (John Lepard) on the first anniversary of their father's death to continue a family tradition of telling scary stories around a fire. The dynamic is radically altered when brother Johnny brings his girlfriend (Dani Cochrane). The stories within the story are gruesome enough, but eventually real life mirrors the tales in a series of dramatic twists. While the plot still needs some refining, it is interesting to see Zettelmaier work dark. Hopefully, the finished piece will retain the "pull no punches" tone. -*Mary Cusack*

'Boomer and the Imaginary Friend Revolt' (Lansing Community College Theatre Dept.)

Local playwright Scott Sorrell's original script cleverly explored the intriguing idea of checking in on your imaginary childhood friends after you grow up. Boomer (Michael Banghart), a lonely, brooding 20-something who just lost his girlfriend, ends up

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The street runneth over

Art fairs pile onto Renegade Festival to create a sensory overload

By JONATHAN GRIFFITH

Over the weekend, the Renegade Theatre Festival filled the historic buildings and streets of Lansing's northern enclave, as it has for the past eight years. Spaces profane and sacred, from Zoobie's tavern to the Quaker meeting house (and a few galleries in between) hummed with exhibits and performances. There was only one way to shove an art fair into the mix: by taking it to the streets.

The inaugural Art Feast, Old Town's perfect storm of art and activities, crashed the party in a big way, but stayed safely on the asphalt.

"Our promotions committee has always wanted to do an art fair," Louise Gradwohl, the outgoing executive director of the Old

Town Commercial Association, said. "It was just smart to have it coincide with Renegade. It's mutually beneficial."

Art Feast invited artists to set up along the sidewalks of Turner Street, offering everything from henna tattoos to hand-made jewelry to Michigan-themed T-shirts to artsy photos and lovable knick-knacks.

Olivia and Nora Gorman, sisters who originally hail from Manistee, were on hand, selling acrylic paintings of nautical creatures, nature-themed crafts and greeting cards. Though they've sold pieces at the Wheatland Music Festival in Remus, this was their first fest in Lansing.

"It's been great," says Olivia of the experience. "We want to do every festival in Old Town now."

Art was only half the experience at Art Feast. Several regional food trucks were rounded up at the top of Turner St., offering a one-time-only variety of cuisine. Shimmy Shack from South Lyon was on hand with vegetarian and vegan cuisine, joined by artisan fare from Mason's Good Bites and the slow cooked delights of Lansing's own Trailer Park'd food truck. For anybody wondering if a "Ballin' Ass Taco" has any place among, say, the glass sculptures found in the Craig Mitchell Smith Gallery, Gradwohl

is full of assurances.

"Food trucks are definitely artistic as well," she opined.

Art Feast wasn't the only attempt on Saturday to stuff every nook and cranny of Old Town with entertainment. Old Town General Store held its own art bash, the Off Center Art Festival. Artists filled the garden behind the store and surrounding alleys with a variety of works, including recycled pallet furniture from Jojo Beans Barn and art journals made from repurposed books by Eaton Rapids artist Corey Marie.

How much is enough? It's an open question for Gradwohl, who wants to see a



Photo provided by Old Town General Store

It was an art-shopper's delight last Saturday in Old Town with Old Town Art Feast and Off Center complementing Renegade Theatre. Here patrons enjoy music as they explore arts and crafts at Off Center at the Old Town General Store.

reprise next year ... only bigger.

"More artists, more food trucks," she intoned, like Polyphemus asking for wine. "People forget how cool our community is and this is a great way to bring in new people."

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with imaginary friends like Arch (Monica Tanner) and Tooth Fairy (Storm Boyer), profanity-spewing sex addicts with sharp wits. Sorrell's dialogue excelled at expletive-laden insults and sexually graphic imagery, but the script lacked a clear narrative drive. Nevertheless, director Deb Keller and the tight cast — including Michael Samhat as one of Boomer's socks — fully committed to the text, giving life to this strange and subversive take on reality. *-Paul Wozniak*

'The Human Behind the Image: A Matter of Life and Death' (MSU Dept. of Theatre)

Mark Twain warned to "never let the truth get in the way of a good story." Unfortunately, the current draft of J.P. Mullin and Ray Melton's original stage drama, based on the real life and mysterious death of MSU theater alumni Jon-Erik Hexum, does just that. A polished staged reading from MFA students at the former Chrome Cat gave the dialogue every chance to resonate, but the script never coalesced into a dramatic journey, cross-cutting instead between lengthy interviews, police reports, and flattering fictionalized flashbacks about Hexum himself. As it stands, "The Human Behind the Image" is more of a flattering tribute to its subjects than a strong story. *-Paul Wozniak*

'The Relativity of Coincidence' (independent production)

The idea of weaving together three vignettes from a ride on an Italiarail train going from Rome to Milan, plus the play's intriguing title, raised hopes for an absorbing play. That didn't materialize at the Saturday night reading of "The Relativity of Coincidence," written by Katie Doyle and Janet Colson.

I left feeling mostly confused. What just happened here? Did something happen? Is there a meaning I missed? Some people in the audience thought this was Act I of what was to be a two-act play. I don't think so. Despite moments of honest human connection among the train passengers, somehow the whole thing didn't hang together enough to make sense.

The characters in the play, however, were strongly drawn, and the cast of David Daoust, Amy Rickett, Forrest Colson, Kyle Clark, Jeff Magnuson, Jacqueline Wheeler and Lisa Smith was superb. Wheeler gave a standout performance as a young woman who comes off loud and obnoxious but feels alone, scared and haunted by sadness, having given up her child years ago. Doyle and Colson are creative artists and writers. If they recognize the need for some rewrites, they can find a way to make this play work. *-Ute von der Hayden*

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One book, one community

A conversation with John Lewis to cover race struggles in the U.S.

By **BILL CASTANIER**

Today's news is tomorrow's history.

This season's One Book, One Community lineup will challenge readers to see history with the fresh eyes lest we forget.

Monday the season kicks off with a Civil Rights legend's ugly but inspirational story.

Georgia Congressman John Lewis will address incoming MSU freshmen before kicking off the book program that evening at 7 p.m. at the Hannah Community Center. Both events are free and open to the public.

Lewis will take them to a time 50 years



City pulse file photo
Congressman John Lewis will discuss the civil rights movement and his new book "March: Book One," on Monday, kicking off the annual One Book, One Community series in East Lansing.

ago when segregation, beatings, bombings and brutality were the norm in the "Black Belt" of Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi. He will charge them with making a difference in the world they live today.

The iconic leader will speak, along with his co-author Andrew Aydin and illustrator Nate Powell, about his graphic novel "March: Book One."

The month-long One Book, One Community program invites the city and university community to read one book and come together to discuss it. The program started in 2002 and is a joint effort of the city of East Lansing and Michigan State University.

This year's selection is focusing on race in America.

One Book, One Community is also featuring Ryan Coogler, director of "Fruitvale Station," on Sept. 2. The third in the series is NPR contributor and journalist Michele Norris, and her memoir "Race Card" on Sept. 15. Details are available at www.one-bookeastlansing.com

Aydin, who is also on Lewis' staff, said the style and format of "March" are a throwback to a 1957 comic book about the life of Martin Luther King Jr.

MSU History Professor emeritus Norm Pollack travelled to the South in 1964 to lend a hand to the effort. He recalls being on the same road as the martyred freedom workers and being told not stand in front of a window with the shade pulled and the lights on.

"You make a target," he said.

Pollack said he believes his activism cost him his job as a junior professor at Yale.

After learning of the selection of "March" for the One Book One Community series, two East Lansing activists, John Duley, 93, and Robert Green, 80, decided to add their voices to the civil rights conversation with an event, "Conversations about race," that will extend the view to East Lansing during the 1960s.

Green, a longtime friend of Lewis, called "East Lansing a mighty tight place for racial relations" during that era.

Duley and Green traveled to Canton, Miss. in 1964 for a Freedom Rally led by Jim Farmer, co-founder of the Congress of Racial Equality and organizer of the Freedom Riders.

Green, who is black, was an MSU professor and later dean of MSU's College of Urban Development. Duley was a campus minister, and white. They said they both understood the dangers of traveling together in the deep South.

Duley and Green continued their civil rights activism in East Lansing when they returned. Green could not own a home in East Lansing due to racist real estate practices. He and his family would ultimately become the first African-American homeowners in the city, after East Lansing adopted an open-housing ordinance. In 1965, Green would take a leave of absence from MSU to become the national educational director for the Southern Leadership Conference and a confidant of Dr. King.

Duley said the goal of "Conversations about race," is to create a record about the civil rights movement in East Lansing.

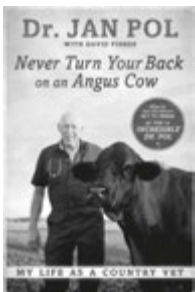
"There is a lack of any public record, and we will be facilitating conversations about that period," he said.

The "Conversations about Race" will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 24 at the Village Network Center at Edgewood Village in East Lansing, 6213 Towar Gardens Circle.

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LOVE THE CHURCH, HATE THE DOGMA

METHODISTS' RIFT OVER GAY MARRIAGE COULD DIVIDE CHURCH

By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

If the Rev. Jennifer Browne were gay, she wouldn't bother to warm a pew in her own church, University United Methodist in East Lansing.

"I'd be out the door in a second," she said. "Even as a straight person, I couldn't be part of a congregation that wasn't completely affirming of who LGBT persons are."

In the ever-shifting plate tectonics of religion and sexuality, one of the biggest fault lines runs right through the Methodist Church. In the 2012 edition of "Social Principles," the Methodist guidebook where the holy rubber Gospel meets the dirt road of daily life, homosexuality is still labeled "incompatible with Christian teaching."

Why has Browne stuck it out as the pastor for the last four years?

"I see myself as a member of the loyal opposition," she said. "My calling is to help this denomination grow up."

Despite a wave of progress this year with four states legalizing same-sex marriages, church acceptance varies widely.

The Southern Baptists, the largest Protestant group in the U.S., consider homosexuality a sin. While Roman Catholics also consider homosexuality a sin, Pope Francis has been making affirming statements about accepting gay priests and even considering unions.

He was made the Person of the Year in the gay magazine *The Advocate* for saying, "If someone is gay and seeks the Lord with good will, who am I to judge?"

Some, like the Mormons, welcome gays but discourage them from having sex and don't let them marry. Recently, the Anglican church (including its American kin, the Episcopalians) split over the issue, presaging what might happen to Methodists.

"THE CULTURE IS CHANGING AND
THE CHURCH IS CHANGING."

THE REV. JULIE GREYERBIEHL

American Quakers, too, are divided. And on and on.

A few are open and affirming like the United Church of Christ.

Browne is gently nudging her flock toward the Reconciling Ministries, a national organization that rejects what the Social Principles say about gays. With her en-



Lawrence Cosentino/City Pulse

Left: The Rev. Jennifer Browne of University United Methodist Church is in the middle of the Methodist dispute over gay marriage. Right: The Rev. Nicolette Siragusa of Grand Ledge First Congregational (United Church of Christ) will perform the commitment ceremony on the steps of the state Capitol as part of Gay Pride.

couragement, a Pride Group of church members has begun to organize.

Joining the Reconciling Ministries Network involves a long series of classes, Bible study sessions, guest speakers and meetings, ending in an up-or-down member vote.

"Changing us is like moving a barge," she said. "Slow going."

CHANGING TIMES

Browne has navigated more turbulent waters in her career. She grew up near gay-friendly Haight-Ashbury in San Francisco in the 1960s and went to seminary in Manhattan in the 1980s. When she got her first job, at First Congregational Church in Battle Creek, she thought she had landed on another planet.

"I had never experienced homophobia or racism the way I found it in Battle Creek in 1984," she said.

Browne left First Congregational to marry a Methodist minister, Greg Martin, and work with him as co-pastor in Reed City.

Since their recent divorce, Martin left the Methodist Church to become a minister in the Unitarian Universalist Church, which is openly affirming to LGBT people. Browne stayed in the Methodist Church, hoping to influence it from the inside.

"He and I represent two ways of bringing about change," Browne said.

"I've preached that I disagree with Social Principles on this particular issue and I have not heard one word of disagreement," she said. "I thought I'd get some kickback and I got nothing but support."

KICKBACK

There was plenty of kickback when Williamston's United Methodist Church joined the Reconciling Ministries 17 years ago, the first Methodist church in Michigan to do so.

"They lost a lot of members," the Rev. Julie Greyerbiehl, recalled. "It's a tender spot in the history of this

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church."

When a gay men's choir sang to celebrate the reconciliation, angry protesters demonstrated outside.

"But the culture is changing and the church is changing," Greyerbiehl said.

Among the conflicted congregations in greater Lansing is Mt. Hope Community Congregational Church, on Mt. Hope and Cedar in Lansing, led by a very conflicted pastor, Ron Cook.

Cook chose not to talk to City Pulse, explaining that he wanted to have this sensitive conversation with his congregation and "not in the newspaper."

But the issue has created a "tremendous amount of turmoil" in the Mt. Hope church, according to Bill Cote, a Lansing resident

and longtime member of the church.

"Things are changing as we get younger people, but if you took a vote, most people would say they want to remain a non-

affirming church,"

Cote said. "We welcome everybody, but if we believe it's not a sin to do [homosexual behavior], then we're not following the Bible."

Cote said

he and his late wife agreed years ago that they would leave the church if it affirmed gays and permitted gay marriage, or, as he

put it, he would conclude that "the church left us."

The divide is painful for all, congregants and leaders.

the pain of lost friendships and severed relationships. To think that is going to happen across the church is saddening."

Every four years, debates on whether

to change the "Social principles" on gays at the world-wide Methodist General Conference get hotter and hotter, and every four years, change is voted down. The last general conference, in 2012, a mild insert into

"ALL CHURCHES WANT TO BE SEEN AS FRIENDLY," SHE SAID. "WE TAKE IT A STEP FURTHER. WE'RE NOT GOING TO WAIT FOR YOU TO COME INTO OUR CHURCH AND FIGURE OUT WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE GOING TO BE WELCOME."

REV. NICOLETTE SIRAGUSA

the principles acknowledging that faithful Christians disagree on this matter was narrowly voted down.

"It's a stressful time for the church," Greyerbiehl said. "The church may split at our next general conference if we can't come to some kind of amicable middle ground."

The Methodist Church is among the most centralized of Protestant churches. Big decisions have always been made by the general conference only. To complicate matters, the church is growing fastest in Africa and Asia, where opposition to gay marriage is strong.

One way out of the impasse would be for the highly centralized church to break with tradition and allow subdivisions like the West Michigan Conference, or individual congregations, chart their own course on homosexuality.

"It would go against Methodist DNA," Browne said. "We are connectional, not congregational. But in my opinion, it's the only way to do this without splitting the church."

Despite the fractured environment, Browne says many gays and lesbian people stay in the Methodist church anyway.

"They might like the worship style or have family connections with the church," she said. "I don't know how they do it."

"YOU'RE WELCOME, BUT ..."

When Rev. Nicolette Siragusa and her wife, Gina Calcagna, were dating 10 years ago, they tried a few of those doors, looking for a church they could attend together.

Siragusa is in her fourth year as pastor of Grand Ledge's First Congregational United Church of Christ, which is as "welcoming and affirming" to gays as they come. She'll perform the commitment ceremonies 1:30 p.m. Saturday on the state Capitol steps at Gay Pride.

Siragusa likes to sport rainbow-hued earrings in the shape of commas. It's a reference to one of her favorite pearls of wisdom: "Don't put a period where God put a comma. God is still speaking." (The phrase

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Pride

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is attributed to comedian Gracie Allen.)

Siragusa doesn't want others to go through the same thing she and Calcagna went through several years ago.

In the early 2000s, they went to a picture-perfect church in Massachusetts. (She doesn't recall the denomination.) There was a barbecue for young people. As the reception wound down, Siragusa told the pastor's wife she was in a relationship with another woman.

"Of course you are both welcome," the pastor's wife told her, "but ..."

Siragusa was told they'd be welcome as friends, but not as a couple.

"In that 'but' hung all the sadness in the world," Siragusa said. "It was one of the saddest moments in my faith journey."

In her six years as pastor in Grand Ledge, Siragusa has kept the doors wide open and proactively reaches out to the gay community.

"All churches want to be seen as friendly," she said. "We take it a step further. We're not going to wait for you to come into our church and figure out whether or not you're going to be welcome."

For three years, Grand Ledge UCC has joined two sister churches, Pilgrim in Lansing and Edgewood in East Lansing, to co-host a hospitality tent at Gay Pride.

DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS AND GOOD LEADERSHIP

This year is the first time Siragusa will preside over the commitment ceremony at Pride. About 15 couples signed up by the end of last week but 50 or more couples are expected to take part.

There will be a blessing and affirmation of the couples, with a keepsake certificate for participants.

Siragusa has performed six gay marriages already, two in Canada and four at the Ingham County Clerk's office March, 22, when Michigan's gay marriage ban was struck down by U.S. District Judge Bernard Friedman. The order was stayed by the state's appeals court.

"We're looking forward to the day when marriage equality comes, and (oppositional statements) are not as important as they are now," she said.

She is closely watching the rift in the Methodist church and said it's "breaking her heart."

"They're having difficult conversations, but there's some good leadership who are trying to find a way for them to stay together as a denomination," she said.

Back in East Lansing, Browne is ready to shepherd her flock closer to the kind of affirmation Siragusa offers in Grand Ledge.

"Gay couples' love isn't any different than heterosexual couples," Browne said. "I can't imagine that God wouldn't put his blessing on that kind of love."



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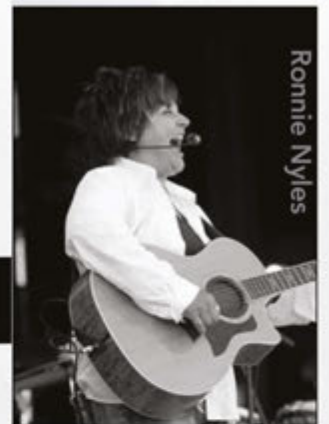
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LGBTQ MILESTONES IN THE CAPITAL CITY

By TODD HEYWOOD

1972 – East Lansing is the first municipality in the nation to adopt a non-discrimination ordinance protecting people based on sexual orientation.

1974 – Lesbian Connections magazine begins publication every two months.

1979 – The first meeting of the Lansing Association for Human Rights is held. At first, the local LGBTQ organization was a loose confederation of community members gathered together in social solidarity.

1983 – First AIDS case diagnosed in Ingham County at Lansing General Hospital

1985 – The Lansing Area AIDS Network is formed by Doak Bloss, Maxine Thome, Suellen Hozman, Tom McQuire, Beth Schiably and others.

1986 – 42 local gay men are arrested in



City Pulse File Photo
The Pride March began in 1989 and draws a colorful crowd each year.

a sting operation at the Holt Rest Area. Police, prosecutors and media coordinate to release the names and identities of the men.

1989 – Greater Lansing Gay Men's Chorus is founded; Michigan Pride March and Festival begins

1990 – Offices of Lesbian Connections magazine catch fire

1990 – Greater Lansing Gay Men's Chorus is kicked out of River Terrace Church.

1990 – MSU adopts non-discrimination policy which includes sexual orientation.

1992 – Lansing Community College becomes second community college in the state to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

1992 – M. Kate Murphy becomes first openly gay person appointed to a Michigan community college board at LCC.

1993 – Following the election of David Hollister as mayor, Lansing Police Chief Mark Alley personally apologizes for past arrests and targeting of the LGBTQ community.

1994 – Lansing's first, and only, LGBT community book store — The Real World Emporium — officially opens for business in Lansing's Old Town.

1995 – Chris Swope runs as an openly gay candidate for the Lansing City Council in the First Ward. He loses the election to Harold Leeman Jr.

1996 – Lansing City Council approves a comprehensive human rights ordinance

1996 – Beloved Lansing State Journal sports writer Bob Gross found murdered in his downtown home. His body was mutilated and his home was set on fire. Gross' murder is one of several high profile murders of gay men that year.

1996 – Citizens opposed to LGBTQ equality gather enough signatures to place the recently adopted human rights ordi-

nance on the November ballot. Lansing City Council subsequently approves two ballot measures related to the ordinance.

1996 – Citizens of Lansing reject the comprehensive human rights ordinance in a referendum.

1997 – Robert Durfee goes on trial for the murder of Bob Gross. Mainstream media finally report that Gross was allegedly murdered because he was gay.

1997 – Rachel Crandall starts Transgender Michigan, an equality and education organization dedicated to transgender equality.

1997 – MSU Board of Trustees adopt domestic partner benefits over the opposition of President M. Peter McPherson.

2000 – Chris Swope runs for, and is elected, to the Ingham County Board of Commissioners. He becomes the first openly gay elected official on the board.

2001 – Todd Heywood is elected to the LCC board, becoming the first openly gay male elected to a community college board in Michigan.

2002 – LCC becomes the first community college in Michigan to offer domestic partner benefits to employees.

2003 – Melissa Sue Robinson becomes the first out transgender woman to run for elective office in Lansing. She seeks election to the post of mayor.

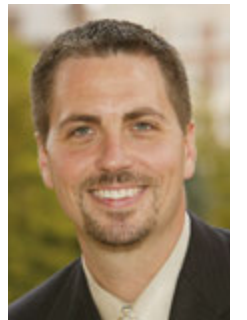
2004 – A young gay man is brutally attacked at Lansing Eastern High School. The beating of the young black man leaves him in a medically induced coma for a time.

2004 – Michigan voters approve an amendment to the Michigan Constitution defining marriage as a union between one man and one woman. Ingham County is one of only two counties to vote the amendment down.

2005 – Chris Swope is elected Lansing



Robinson



Swope

city clerk.

2005 – Kathie Dunbar is elected to the Lansing City Council, becoming the first openly bisexual elected city official.

2006 – Lansing adopts a comprehensive human rights ordinance. While there was some opposition to the law, opponents were unable to put the law on the ballot.

2007 – Dr. Julie Nemecek's firing from Spring Arbor University because she was transgender leads LCC to apply its nondiscrimination policy to partnerships, including Spring Arbor. Spring Arbor bows out.

2009 – Two gay men are arrested in Fenner Nature Center. Lansing officials released the HIV status of one of the men arrested — resulting in the city adopting more stringent Freedom of Information Act policies.

2013 – Delta, Delhi and Meridian townships all adopt comprehensive human rights ordinance.

March 2014 – Same-sex marriage in Michigan was ruled legal by the U.S. District Court for Michigan's Eastern District. The first gay marriage in the state was performed March 22 by Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum. More than 300 same-sex couples were married that day but a stay was issued late that same day. A federal appeals court stayed the ruling indefinitely March 25.



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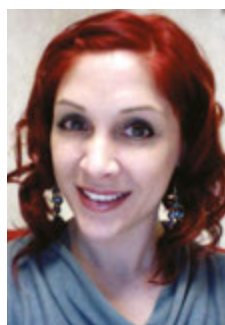
THE CONTROVERSY AROUND MICHFEST AND TRANSGENDER EQUALITY

Equality Michigan issued a call July 29 to boycott the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival (Aug. 5-10) for non-inclusion of transgender women. The call sparked a firestorm of reaction in the media and among friends centering around non-discrimination, feminism and the essence of female-identification.

Emily Dievendorf
Executive Director
Equality Michigan

Equality Michigan's website states:

"Equality Michigan has been following the exclusion of transgender women from the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival since our founding in the early



Dievendorf

1990s, shortly after Nancy Burkholder was first thrown out of the Festival for being transgender. The use of the "womyn-born-womyn" intention against transgender women must come to an end. Until the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival's "intention" is changed

to a "policy of full inclusion for all women" we must stop supporting Michfest. Equality Michigan is committing to bringing this issue up with our communities, festival organizers, festival vendors, and artists until this policy is modernized...we will no longer respect the "intention" or that "leaving the onus on each individual to choose whether or how to respect it" equates to inclusion. To us, this sounds like the arguments we heard around "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" - and like that policy - this one just doesn't work for us."

We won't turn a blind eye to anything that is causing harm to any part of our LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) family. That means we won't turn a blind eye to those who might be perpetuating the harm even if they are our own. Sometimes we, as a movement, are called to stop harm by insisting that our friends' actions match their values. We weighed in on Michfest because it has been decades now of hearing the same false claims and scare tactics from festival organizers and extremist anti-trans activists to justify the alienation of trans*women. The great tragedy is that we love the festival and all that it has done for otherwise underserved and too often overlooked minorities.

While Michfest attracts women from all over the country, it is in our backyard where too many transwomen already have very real reasons to not feel safe. Fest should become the oasis that attendees say that it is because that security and nurturing and empowerment are so needed - and if we value social justice we must want that for ALL women.

The position that Equality Michigan, trans activists, allied orgs, and petition signers took on Michfest this year shines a light on the exclusion of the trans* community. Discrimination is at its ugliest when we know it exists and we choose to create a sacred space within in it - to wrap ourselves with it - because everything else, the privilege and validation that it may be woven into, can feel so damn good. This

year we are declaring that we have had enough of Michfest's double talk and can see through it. In the meantime, while Michfest leaders continue to dig their heels into the excuses and allegiances of yesterday, Equality Michigan will continue to ask citizens of our state to be clear in their position of inclusion and to invest in women's festivals that leave no woman behind.

Lisa Vogel (via Facebook)
Organizer
Michigan Womyn's Music
Festival (Michfest)

"Statement from Michigan Womyn's Music Festival August 18, 2014:

Many demands have been made of the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival ("Michfest") via the Equality Michigan call for a boycott launched July 28, 2014. We have a few demands of our own.



Vogel

1. Get Your Facts Straight

As the 39th Festival closes and we turn our hearts and minds to our landmark 40th anniversary, we reiterate that Michfest recognizes trans womyn as womyn - and they are our sisters. We do not fear their presence among us, a false claim repeatedly made. What we resist - and what we will never stop fighting - is the continued erasure and disrespect for the specific experience of being born and living as female in a patriarchal, misogynist world.

Over 20 years ago, we asked Nancy Burkholder, a trans woman, to leave the Land. That was wrong, and for that, we are sorry. We, alongside the rest of the LGBTQ community, have learned and

changed a great deal over our 39-year history. ... Since that single incident, Festival organizers have never asked a trans woman to leave the Festival. ...

"As long as those who boycott and threaten Michfest do not acknowledge the reasons why the space was created in the first place, and has remained vital for four decades, the conversation remains deadlocked."

2. Acknowledge the validity of autonomous, female-defined space

3. Acknowledge that Michfest creates spaces that do not exist elsewhere

4. Turn your energy towards the real enemies of female and LGBTQ Liberation

"While the abuse and disenfranchisement of womyn and girls escalates around the world and LGBTQ people experience life-threatening harms, LGBTQ organizations have turned inwards on a curious target - a weeklong music festival that does not ban or exclude anyone..."

Equality Michigan and the organizations endorsing its petition including HRC, the Task Force, NCLR and the National Black Justice Coalition, are targeting Michfest with McCarthy-era blacklist tactics. ... We call on the constituents, donors, and dues-paying members of the LGBTQ institutions targeting Michfest to hold them accountable for this misuse and misdirection of organizational resources, and to withdraw their time and dollars from these organizations until the targeting of Michfest ends."

5. Join the Conversation, Not the Digital Sound Bite War

"...We turn to our LGBTQ community and say: we hear your truths; we ask you to acknowledge that you hear ours. ...

Make room in your heart to hold difference of opinion and disagreement - this is the challenging path to honoring true diversity. We turn to our LGBTQ community and ask you to unite with us in the belief that we can work together as a movement and stand together in solidarity. We ask you to work with us, not against us."

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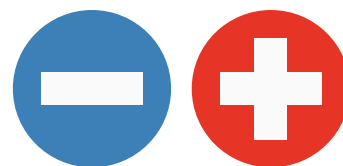
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Wednesday, August 20

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

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

Community Conversation. Beauty and variety of Michigan geology. 7 p.m. FREE. Okemos Library, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 347-2021, cadl.org.

Sex Work and the Law. Discussion. 6-7 p.m. FREE. Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 125 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-7434, pilgrimucc.com.

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

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

EVENTS

DTDL Book Club. Carol Rifka Brunt's "Tell the Wolves I'm Home." 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4, dtdl.org.

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

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Time Bank Annual Picnic Potluck. Join the TimeBank for food and friends. Live Music, 5:30 p.m. Hunter Park, 1400 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 862-0422, midmichigantimebank.org.

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

Summer Baby Time. Intended for ages 0-2 yrs. with adult. 10:30-11 a.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-

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Ursula Biemann, Forest Law, 2014 (video still). Courtesy of: Ursula Biemann. © Ursula Biemann.

Seeds of thought

THURSDAY, AUG 28

The Broad Art Museum's "Land Grant" series is ready to play another thought-provoking riff on the land-grant origins of MSU, a multi-media meditation on wealth, exploitation and natural resources called "Forest Law."

"It's in our tradition of addressing global issues with an open and experimental nature," says Yesomi Umolu, assistant curator for the Broad Museum and curator of "Forest Law."

"Forest Law" is a collaboration between Swiss filmmaker Ursula Biemann and architect Paulo Tavares. The exhibit reflects Biemann's long-term research in the rain forest of southern Ecuador, a region fraught with public and private conflict.

"The region is home to a huge amount of untapped natural resources," says Umolu. "There is a lot of tension between corporate entities, the government and the public."

Through Biemann and Tavares' collaboration, visitors are meant to understand the far-reaching consequences of the region's tumult. This is not some hypothetical Butterfly Effect, but something far more tangible and less mystical.

"The Ecuadorian Amazon contributes to the balance of the ecosystem of the entire world," says Umolu.

Visitors can expect a variety of thought-provoking artifacts and works of art. The exhibit will include maps and other samples collected from the region. It will also include video installations exploring the intricate web of resources, people and money that shape the region, from indigenous shamans to activists to botanists looking at flora samples.

The exhibit is part of the new "Land Grant" artist commissioning and residency program at the Broad. "Land Grant" celebrates the history of MSU as a pioneering land grant university and one of the country's foremost centers of agricultural study, but it's not a series Big Ag will be in a hurry to sponsor. "Land Grant" artists raise issues of sustainability, ecological devastation, and the perils of monoculture. The series gives artists, architects, and collectives unprecedented resources in creating a perfect marriage of art and environmental study.

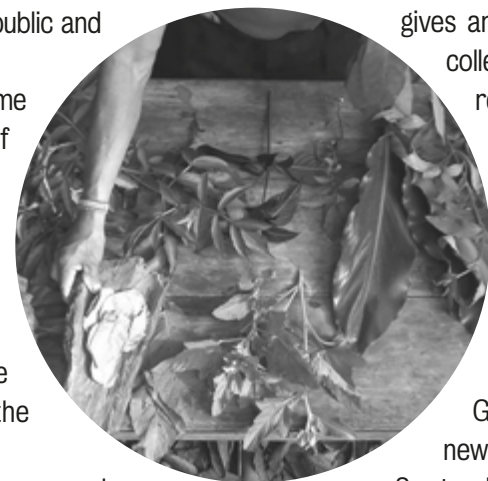
"Forest Law" is only the first exhibit in the "Land Grant" series for the new school year. In early September, the Broad will open "The Land Grant: The Flatbread Society," an exhibit on the public art project consisting of creatives of many trades that share an interest in grain.

As with all of the art at the Broad, the aim of "Forest Law" is to project the angled walls of the rhomboid silver gallery, with its possibilities, into the tilled fields of mid-Michigan and beyond.

"I hope people learn about a part of the world they're not familiar with," Omolu says. "It's not necessarily about acting on the issues you learn from the exhibit, but knowing where you stand."

Exhibition Opening: "The Land Grant: Forest Law"

6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28 (runs through Jan. 11, 2015)
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BY SARAH WINTERBOTTOM



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414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 7 p.m. \$12/\$10 adv, all ages, Thursday Aug. 21

Eyes Set To Kill, an Arizona-based metal-rock band, is fronted by vocalist/guitarist Alexia Rodriguez and her sister Anissa Rodriguez (bass). The band headlines Thursday at The Loft; openers are The Relapse Symphony, Close To Home, Drifter, Valkyrie's Point, and Ashes of Horus. Eyes Set to Kill is known for its distinct melodic sound that's both haunting and powerful. The sisters started the band in 2003 and soon signed to Century Media Records. After the release of 2009's "The World Outside," Eyes Set to Kill was featured on the cover of USA Today, charted No. 9 on Billboard Heatseekers chart and No. 26 on Independent Albums chart. The band has released five records, the latest being "Masks" in 2013.

OFF THE LEDGE CD RELEASE AT MAC'S BAR

Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 7 p.m. \$10/\$8 adv, all ages, Saturday Aug. 23

Since early 2013, Off The Ledge has played a hefty number of gigs across the Lansing area, playing its funky mix of blues, grunge, and indie. The Lansing-based band, which cites influences like Led Zeppelin, Dave Matthews and Jack White, releases its new, nine-song album "Wherever We Land," Saturday at Mac's Bar. Opening the all-ages show are Eric Robins Experience Attacks, Fried Egg Nebula, Flashing Blue Lights, and Stevie B. The new "bluesy funk rock" album was recorded in Lansing at Elm Street Recording Studios by Ryan Wert. The band consists of songwriter Matthew Shannon (guitar/vocals), Tab Wakley (lead guitar), Chip Herbert (drums/vocals) and bassist Steven Langlois.



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JEREMY PORTER & THE TUCOS AT THE RECORD LOUNGE

111 Division St., East Lansing. 5 p.m., \$5 suggested donation, all ages, Saturday, Aug. 23

Jeremy Porter & the Tucos is bringing from Detroit its eclectic brand of rock'n'roll, power-pop and Gram Parsons-influenced alt-country melodies. The band describes its sound as a "hooky blend of energy, melody, distortion and twang" and released its latest full-length album, "Partner in Crime," in 2013 on New Fortune Records. As well as being one of the founding members of one of the few Upper Peninsula-based punk bands, The Regulars, front man Jeremy Porter has played in multiple bands and toured across the country playing music since the '80s. With The Tucos he's played gigs like CMA Fan Fair Festival in Nashville and Common Ground Music Festival in Lansing. Opening at The Record Lounge is Kentucky-based band Those Crosstown Rivals.



SAT. AUG 23RD

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LIVE & LOCAL

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
The Avenue Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave.	Service Industry Night, 6 p.m.		Wastelander, 9 p.m.	Meta Peace Team Fund, 6 p.m.
Coach's Pub & Grill, 6201 Bishop Rd.	DJ Trivia, 8 p.m.	Updraft, 9 p.m.		DJ Jimmy, 9 p.m.
Colonial Bar, 3425 S. MLK Blvd.		Open Mic w/Pat Zelenka Project, 9 p.m.	The Episode Band, 9 p.m.	The Episode Band, 9 p.m.
Crunchy's, 254 W. Grand River Ave.	Dear Creek, 10 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.	Karaoke, 9 p.m.
The Exchange, 314 E. Michigan Ave.	Blue Wednesday, 8 p.m.	Skoryoke Live Band Karaoke, 8 p.m.	The Blue Haired Bettys, 8 p.m.	The Rotations, 8 p.m.
Grand Café/Sir Pizza, 201 E. Grand River Ave.		Kathy Ford Band, 7:30 p.m.	White Party, 8:30 p.m.	Pride Party, 8 p.m.
Green Door, 2005 E. Michigan Ave.	Johnny D Jam, 8 p.m.	Karaoke Kraze, 8:30 p.m.	Still Rain, 9 p.m.	TBA, 9 p.m.
Gus's Bar, 2321 W. Michigan Ave.		Open Mic w/Hot Mess, 9 p.m.	Karaoke	
The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave.	IM5, 6 p.m.	Eyes Set to Kill, 7 p.m.		
Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave.	Secret Grief, 7 p.m.	Seaway & Stickup Kid, 7 p.m.	Summer Jam, 9 p.m.	Off the Ledge, 7 p.m.
Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave.	Game Night, 7 p.m.	Cash O'Riley, 10 p.m.	Zydecronch, 9:30 p.m.	Good Cookies, 9:30 p.m.
Reno's East, 1310 Abbot Rd.	Karl Propst, 6/7 p.m.	Alex & Rachel, 6/7 p.m.	Rush Clement, 6/7 p.m.	Rory Miller, 6/7 p.m.
Reno's West, 501 W. Saginaw Hwy.	Sporkle DJ Trivia, 6/7 p.m.	Karle Delo, 6/7 p.m.	Rory Miller, 6/7 p.m.	Steve Cowles, 6/7 p.m.
Tin Can West, 644 Migaldi Ln.	Waterpong, 11 p.m.	Bear Creek Brothers, 8 p.m.		
Tin Can DeWitt, 13175 Schavey Rd.	DJ Trivia, 8 p.m.			
Uli's Haus of Rock, 4519 S. Martin Luther King Jr.	Bike Night w/Jason Peek, 8 p.m.	Midwest Skies, 8 p.m.	SOP, 8 p.m.	Oh Damb, 8 p.m.
Unicorn Tavern, 327 E. Grand River Ave.		Frog & the Beeftones, 8:30 p.m.	Riff Raff, 8:30 p.m.	Full House, 8:30 p.m.
Waterfront Bar & Grill, 325 City Market Dr.	From Big Sur, 6 p.m.	Jason Demmon Band, 6 p.m.	Joe Wright, 6 p.m.	The Lost Hitchhikers, 6 p.m.
Whiskey Barrel Saloon, 410 S. Clippert St.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 9 p.m.	DJ, 7 p.m.

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

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2420, elpl.org.

Welcome Kindergarten. Story time for kids entering kindergarten. 2-3 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org/register.

Teen Crafternoon: Tie Dye. You supply the shirt, we supply the dye. 1-3 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

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

US 27 Motor Tour. Classic car show. Food, music and more. 4:30-7:30 p.m. FREE. Downtown DeWitt, DeWitt. (800) 648-6630, old27tour.com.

MUSIC

Secret Grief. Live performance. 7 p.m. \$8. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-6795, ow.ly/Acmk0.

IM5. With guests the House on the Cliff. 6 p.m. \$15. The Loft, 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. fusionshows.com.

Rockin' on the River. Rock music by Charley Horse. 7-9 p.m. Grand River Park, 3001 Lansing Road, Lansing. (517) 483-4277, lansingmi.gov/parks.

Deacon Earl at the ASFM. Live performance. 4-6 p.m. FREE. Allen Street Farmers Market, 1619 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. (517) 999-3921, allenmarketplace.org.

THEATER

"Snow Queen" Auditions. Production fee if cast. 6:45 p.m. Schmidt Community Center, 5815 Wise Road, Lansing. (517) 339-2145, freewebs.com/midmichfamilytheatre.

Thursday, August 21

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

Meditation. For beginners and experienced. 7-8:30 p.m. FREE. Quan Am Temple, 1840 N. College Ave., Mason. (517) 853-1675, quanamtemple.org.

Tarot Study Group. With Dawne Botke. 7 p.m. FREE. Triple Goddess New Age Bookstore, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 883-3619, triplegoddessbookstore.net.

Lansing Area Codependent Anonymous. Held in room 214G. 7-8 p.m. FREE. Community Mental Health Building, 812 E. Jolly Road, Lansing. (517) 515-5559, coda.org.

Ojibwe/Anishinaabemowin Class. Teaching the language of the first people from this region. 7-9 p.m. Donation. Nokomis Learning Center, 5153 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 349-5777, nokomis.org.

Craft Night Social. Creating quill boxes, making dance shawls and teaching the peyote stitch. 5-7 p.m. FREE. Nokomis Learning Center, 5153 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 349-5777, nokomis.org.

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

Chipmunk Story Time. Preschoolers enjoy nature stories, crafts and walk. 10-11 a.m. \$3. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866, meridian.mi.us.

Intro to Facebook. For computer users at the beginner level. 6-8 p.m. FREE. Foster Community Center, 200 N. Foster Ave., Lansing. (517) 708-4394, iteclansing.org.

Mind Benders. Trivia questions and more. 10:30 a.m. FREE. Meridian Senior Center, 4000 N. Okemos Road, Okemos. (517) 706-5045.

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

Smith Floral Harvest Basket Sale. Fresh produce grown on site. 3-7 p.m. Smith Floral, 1124 E. Mt. Hope, Lansing. (517) 484-5327, smithfloral.com.

EVENTS

Euchre. No partner needed. 6-9 p.m. \$1.50. Delta Township Enrichment Center, 4538 Elizabeth Road, Lansing. (517) 484-5600.

Karaoke. With Atomic D. 9 p.m. LeRoy's Classic Bar & Grill, 1526 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 482-0184.

Dimondale Farmers Market. Live music, locally grown produce. 3-7 p.m. FREE. Bridge Street, Dimondale. (517) 646-0230, villageofdimondale.org.

Library Boot Camp. Discover library resources and services. Noon-1 p.m. FREE. MSU Library, MSU Campus, 366 W. Circle Drive, East Lansing. (517) 884-0901, lib.msu.edu.

SoupGrant Lansing. Supporting community projects one meal at a time. 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$5.



Jonathan Griffith/City Pulse

Fathy Shetiah, co-owner of Tabooli, is bringing the "make your own" model to Mediterranean food. Tabooli Restaurant is on schedule to open in early September in Lansing.

By JONATHAN GRIFFITH

When the Avengers sat down to a post-movie-credits meal of chicken shawarma, some folks thought the mainstreaming of Mediterranean cuisine couldn't go any farther. They were wrong. The "make your own" model pioneered by burrito joints and sandwich shops is the next frontier. Joining Jerusalem Bakery on Lansing's Michigan Avenue is Tabooli, a Mediterranean-style restaurant borrowing ideas laid down by places like Chipotle and Panera.

"The idea is fresh Mediterranean made right on the spot," says Fathy Shetiah, co-owner of the restaurant. "It's very unique and very different without a lot of intimidating choices."

Shetiah co-owns the restaurant with his brother, Mohammed Shetiah, who has owned franchises in the Lansing area for about 15 years. Tabooli will be Fathy

Shetiah's first.

Patrons start by choosing from Mediterranean staples like beef or chicken shawarma, eggplant or kofta, a spice-filled meatball made of beef or lamb. There are more decisions to make, but the State Department need not be involved. Once diners decide whether the base will be delivered in a wrap or bowl, they'll go down the line and choose from toppings like hummus, pickled turnips or the eponymous tabouli.

Tabooli will also feature salads, paninis and specialty items. Prices range anywhere from \$5.69-\$7.49.

"Eventually, we want to try to have a feature of the month," says Shetiah. "Like take a well-known item and put a Mediterranean twist on it."

Fans of Mediterranean cuisine might notice the absence of favorites like fruit smoothies or exotic coffees. Shetiah asserts that one of the main appeals of Tabooli is its simplicity.

"We don't want to do

everything," says Shetiah. "We want to do what we are really good at."

For those who want their baba ganoush on the go, Tabooli will also feature a drive-thru, another first for Mediterranean cuisine in the Lansing area, as well as a call-in/pick-up option. Tabooli will also be available to cater office functions.

Tabooli is set with a rough open date of Sept. 2. If you can't make it to the east side, Shetiah and his brother plan to expand Tabooli, with more locations in the East Lansing and greater Lansing area.

"The hope is to lend a new appeal to Mediterranean cuisine," says Shetiah. "And we have faith that people are really going to like our products."

Tabooli

1620 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing
Opens Sept. 2
11 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

Grace Lutheran Church, 528 N. Martin L. King Jr. Blvd., Lansing. soupgrantlansing@gmail.com.

TNI! Courthouse Concert Series. Featuring Twilight Memories. 6-7:30 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Courthouse, 341 S. Jefferson, Mason. (517) 676-1046.

Spanish Conversation. Practice listening to and speaking Spanish. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

Student Organic Farm Farmstand. Student run farm stand features local organic food. 11-5:30 p.m. MSU Erickson Hall, 620 Farm Lane, East Lansing. (517) 230-7987, msuorganicfarm.com.

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

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

MUSIC

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

{REVOLUTION} at Tavern. Electronic music, 21-up. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. FREE. Tavern On the Square, 206 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 374-5555.

North Country Flyers. Live performance. 7 p.m. FREE. Brookshire Inn, 205 W. Church St., Williamston. (517) 655-4695, brookshiregolfclub.com.

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

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

Marshall Music Drum Circle. All ages and levels welcome. 6:30 p.m. FREE. Marshall Music, 3240 E. Saginaw St., Lansing. (517) 337-9700, marshallmusic.com.

Seaway, Stickup Kid. Live performance. 7 p.m., \$10. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-6795, ow.ly/AmlH4.

Woodbridge and Midwest Skies. a live performance presented by TLM. 8 p.m. \$5. Ulis Haus of Rock, 4519 S. M.L.K. Blvd. Lansing,

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Open Jam at the Colonial. All talents welcome. \$8 sizzler steak special. 8 p.m. FREE. Colonial Bar and Grill, 3425 S. MLK Jr. Blvd. Lansing. (517) 882-6132, colonialbarandgrille.com.

Friday, August 22

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

EVENTS

Teen Advisory Group. Teens plan programs and more. 2-4 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014, ext. 3. dtdl.org.

One-on-One Business Counseling. Call (517) 483-1921 to register. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4. dtdl.org.

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

Library Boot Camp. Discover library resources and services. Noon-1 p.m. FREE. MSU Library, MSU Campus, 366 W. Circle Drive, East Lansing. (517) 884-0901, lib.msu.edu.

Old Town Farmers Market. Featuring local foods and products. 3-7 p.m. Corner of Turner Street and Grand River Avenue, Lansing. (517) 485-4283.

The Art of Gardening. Explore the art of creative container gardening. 6 p.m. TBA. Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, MSU Campus, East Lansing. (517) 884-3900. broadmuseum.msu.edu.

StraightTALK. 7 Speakers will provide message of hope. 5 p.m. FREE. Hannah Community Center, 819 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 769-4249, waiam.com.

MUSIC

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

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

Blessed InThe City Tour. Gospel concert. Variety

of acts. 7 p.m. FREE. New Faith Baptist Church, 601 S. Francis, Lansing. (517) 883-3738.

Back In The Day (Old School). Retro music by DJ Bizzy B and Jaiese. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. \$5 until 11 p.m. \$10 after. The Firm, 227 S Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 487-3663, firmloounge.com.

The Sun Dried Music Festival. Featuring North Country Flyers, Root Doctor and more. 7 p.m. FREE. Mason Courthouse, 160 West Maple St., Mason. masondda.com.

LITERATURE AND POETRY

Teen Book Club. Ages 13-18. Call for title and registration. 4-5 p.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 3. dtdl.org.

Garden House Concert Series. Featuring Red tail ring and Maiden Radio. 7 p.m. \$10. Please email for location. gardenhouseconcertseries@gmail.com. facebook.com/gardenhouseconcertseries.

Saturday, August 23

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

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

EVENTS

Karaoke. With Atomic D. 9 p.m. LeRoy's Classic Bar & Grill, 1526 S. Cedar St., Lansing. (517) 482-0184.

GymPalooza Free Family Fun Day. Inflatable playground, music and more. 1-8 p.m. FREE. Summit Sport, 2650 East Grand River Ave., East Lansing. (517) 322-0360, gympalooza.com.

Lansing Bless Fest. Live music, picnic style food, and more. 12:30 p.m.- 10 p.m. FREE. Adado Riverfront Park, 531 N. Grand Ave., Lansing. (517) 333-8628, mediamesengers.org.

Metal & Electronics Recycling. All proceeds go to Parkwood Y campaign. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. FREE. Parkwood YMCA, 2306 Haslett Rd., East Lansing. (517) 827-9682, lansingymca.org.

MUSIC

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

The Sun Dried Music Festival. Featuring North

Country Flyers, Root Doctor and more. Noon. FREE. Mason Courthouse, 160 West Maple St., Mason. masondda.com.

Sunday, August 24

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

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

Buddhist Meditation Class. Doctrine and meditation. 2-3 p.m. FREE. Inner Journey Books and Gifts, 4655 Dobie Rd., suite #240, Okemos. (517) 410-6460, dhammasala.org.

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

EVENTS

Atheists and Humanists Meeting. Author Ed Brayton speaks. 5 p.m. FREE. \$9.65 buffet optional. Old Great Wall Restaurant, 4832 W. Saginaw Hgwy., Lansing. (517) 914-2278, atheists.meetup.com/453.

Swing & Light Variety Dance. Hosted by Lansing Eagles. 5-9 p.m. \$8. Lansing Eagles, 4700 N. Grand River Ave., Lansing. (517) 490-7838.

Arts & Crafts Marketplace. Featuring local artists. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Meridian Township Central Park, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos. (517) 853-4600, meridian.mi.us.

Author Talk with Ruth Ebenstein. On surviving

breast cancer and more. 2 p.m. Communication Arts and Sciences Building, MSU Campus, 404 Wilson Rd., East Lansing.

Monday, August 25

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

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

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

5 Elements Qigong Class. Exercises to condition the body and quiet the mind. 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$10. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866, meridian.mi.us.

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

EVENTS

Social Bridge. No partner needed. 1-4 p.m. \$1.50. Delta Township Enrichment Center, 4538 Elizabeth Road, Lansing. (517) 484-5600.

Mac's Monday Comedy Night. Hosted by Mark Roebuck and Dan Currie. 9:30 p.m. FREE. Mac's Bar, 2700 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. (517) 484-6795, macsbar.com.

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Club Shakespeare. 6-8:45 p.m. Donations. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 348-5728, cadl.org.

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

"One Book, One Community." Congressman John Lewis on "March: Book One." 7:30 p.m. FREE. Hannah Community Center, 819 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, onebookeastlansing.com.

MUSIC

Open Jam at (SCENE) Metrospace. All talents and styles welcome. 7 p.m. \$3. (SCENE) Metrospace, 110 Charles St., East Lansing. (517) 319-6832, facebook.com/scenemetrospace.

Tuesday, August 26

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

Hopeful Hearts Grief Group. Learn, grow and heal together. 10-11 a.m. FREE. The Marquette Activity Room, 5968 Park Lake Road, East Lansing. (517) 381-4866.

Capital City Toastmasters Meeting. Learn public speaking and leadership skills. 7 p.m. FREE. CADL Downtown Lansing, 401 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing. (517) 367-6300, cadl.org.

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

Collage for the Outdoor Soul. Paint/sketch outdoors and use these to make collage 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$65. Harris Nature Center, 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. (517) 349-3866. meridian.mi.us.

Pet Outreach Volunteers Needed. Find out how you can help cats and dogs. 6 p.m. FREE. Ingham County Animal Control Outreach Center, 826 W. Saginaw, Lansing. (517) 242-7440, ac.ingham.org .

Politics and the Environment. Discussion. 7-8:30 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 648-9115.

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

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Have a support

system, lose weight. 7 p.m. FREE to visit. Eaton Rapids Medical Center, 1500 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids. (517) 543-0786.

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

EVENTS

Bible and Beer. Discussion of scripture in everyday settings. 6 p.m. Midtown Brewing Co.,

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Jonesin' Crossword

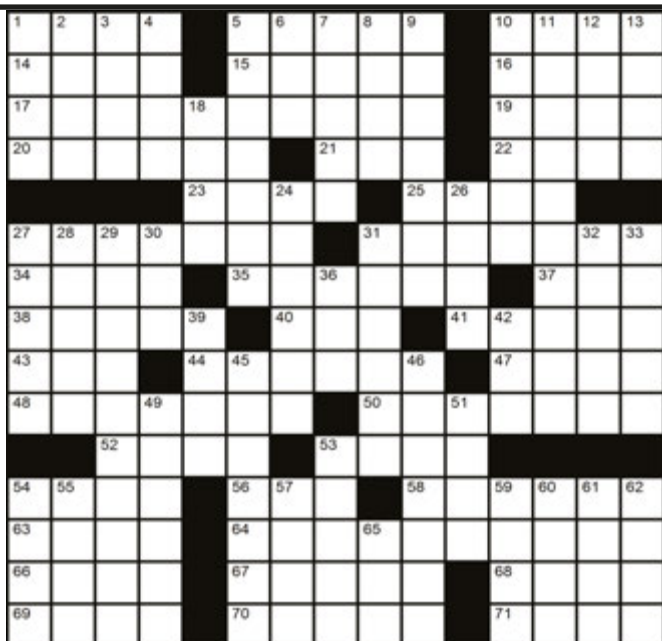
By Matt Jones

"Bebop"--try to keep up!

Matt Jones

Across

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- 5 Is willing to
- 10 Cyberbidder's site
- 14 Scat legend Fitzgerald
- 15 Film score composer Morricone
- 16 "The Joy of Cooking" author Rombauer
- 17 Packing the wrong clothes for the shore?
- 19 Comic-Con attendee, probably
- 20 Participate in charades
- 21 Kyle's little brother on "South Park"
- 22 Coop matriarchs
- 23 Valentine offering
- 25 Cracker with seven holes
- 27 Dance music with slow shifting bass sounds
- 31 Artists using acid
- 34 Word following who, what, when or how
- 35 Beatnik's bro
- 37 Pen name?
- 38 Give a hint to
- 40 "___ have something stuck in my teeth?"
- 41 Prefix with trafficking
- 43 CTRL-___-DEL
- 44 Throws out
- 47 Social finesse
- 48 Early rock nickname, with "The"
- 50 The O in "Jackie O"
- 52 Sty reply
- 53 Alumnus
- 54 Like cotton candy
- 56 Fish in Japanese



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- 58 Imposed limits on
- 63 Gymnastics legend Korbut
- 64 Part of the neighborhood where all the downers live?
- 66 "James and the Giant Peach" author Roald
- 67 Half a Danny Elfman band
- 68 Second word in fairy tales
- 69 Chip that starts a pot
- 70 Element from the Greek word for "strange"
- 71 "Jeopardy!" owner

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- 1 Country's McEntire
 - 2 "30 Rock" star Baldwin
 - 3 Half step lower, in music

- 4 Stuffed shell food
- 5 Like platypuses
- 6 Palindromic experimentalist
- 7 Get the knots out
- 8 Enjoy a scoop
- 9 Shannen of "90210"
- 10 Half of half of half
- 11 Undergarments that allow for air flow?
- 12 "Agreed!"
- 13 Runs off at the mouth
- 18 Johnny Cash cover of a Nine Inch Nails song
- 24 "Boston Legal" actor
- 26 Double-clicked symbol
- 27 "Unleaded" beverage
- 28 Dangly lobe in the throat
- 29 Report from a slow vegetable-purchasing day?
- 30 ___ Lanka
- 31 Tabloid worker
- 32 Christina of "Black Snake Moan"
- 33 Glasgow residents
- 36 Dwarf with glasses
- 39 Vegas night sight
- 42 E-mail address symbols
- 45 Diner player
- 46 Eat, as pretzels
- 49 Series ender
- 51 Very little, as of ointment
- 53 Oldest man in space John
- 54 Club or cream follower
- 55 Stratagem
- 57 Mario of the NBA
- 59 Favorable factor
- 60 The cops, in slang
- 61 MBA's course
- 62 Fashion initials
- 65 Earlier than now

FRIDAY, AUG. 22-24 >> MASON SUNDRIED MUSIC FEST

Summer doesn't officially end until Sept. 22, but with most schools starting back up in the coming weeks, it can certainly feel like the curtain is unofficially falling on another season of endless sun. Fortunately, Mason hosts the fifth annual Sundried Music Festival in downtown Mason, so you can squeeze in one last outdoor music festival. The three-day fest includes a Friday night street dance from 7-11 p.m., continuous music from noon to midnight on Saturday, activities for the kids all weekend long and plenty of beverages available for purchase from the beer and wine tent. The fest's musical offerings features an eclectic lineup with Root Doctor, Assume Nothing and more. See the website for full festival schedule. FREE. Downtown Mason. masondda.com.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22 >> THE ART OF: GARDENING

"The Art of..." series is back with the exploration of creative container gardening. Daedre Craig, annual trial garden manager at the MSU Horticulture Gardens, will explain the benefits and versatility of this distinct type of gardening. Container gardening is the practice of growing plants exclusively in containers instead of planting them in the ground. This event allows you to let your imagination sprout and take your own jab at container gardening by incorporating design elements like plant color and texture into your garden. Cost is per person and includes food, two drink tickets, flowers and planting materials, and professional instruction as you make your container arrangement to take home. Space is limited. 6 p.m. \$45 for public, \$35 for members. Broad Art Museum, 547 East Circle Dr, East Lansing. (517) 884-3900, broadmuseum.msu.edu/programs-events/programs-events/listing.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24 >> AUTHOR TALK WITH RUTH EBENSTEIN

Ruth Ebenstein is an American-Israeli writer and activist for women's health. The Southfield native will present "Transforming Darkness into Light: Breast Cancer Survivors Transcend the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict." In her presentation, she will share her uplifting story about her unexpectedly close friendship with a Palestinian that emerged out of breast cancer. Ebenstein's work has been covered by the BBC, The Atlantic and NPR. 2 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church, 855 Grove St., East Lansing. (517) 351-4081. uulansing.org.

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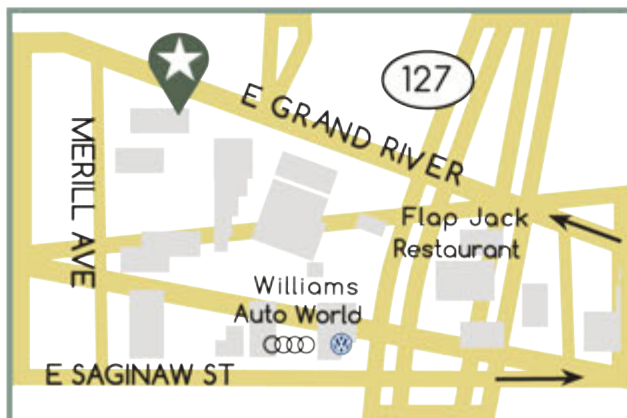


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Aug 20-26

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An American named Kevin Shelley accomplished a feat worthy of inclusion in the *Guinness Book of World Records*. While wearing a blue satin martial arts outfit, he smashed 46 wooden toilet seats over his head in just one minute. Some observers may be inclined to dismiss his efforts as frivolous and ridiculous. But I admire how he playfully mocked his own competitiveness while fully expressing his competitiveness. He satirized his ego's drive to be first and best even as achieved the goal of being first and best. I recommend you try something similar. You're entering a phase when you'll be wise to add a bit of humility to your bold self-presentation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You are about to make the transition from plodding to skipping; from moping to exulting. You will no longer be bogged down by cloudy doubt, but will instead be buoyed by giddy hope. To what do we owe this imminent turnaround in your fortunes? One reason is that it's Justifiable Narcissism Week -- for Taurus only. During this jubilee, the Free Will Astrology Council on Extreme Self-Esteem authorizes you to engage in unabashed self-worship -- and to corral a host of other people who want to join in celebrating you, praising you, and helping you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): An eagle does not catch flies. A lion won't hunt for mice. A gourmet chef shuns recipes that call for canned soup and potato chips. And I trust that you won't indulge a hankering for non-nutritious sweets and treats that would spoil your appetite for more robust sustenance. You understand I'm not just talking about your literal eating habits, right? Interpret this oracle metaphorically, please.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Now is an excellent time to phase out fantasies that bog you down or drag you backward. Are you up for that challenge? Can you summon the courage to leave the mediocre past behind? If so, here are your assignments: Wean yourself of longings to reconstruct bygone pleasures. Forget about trying to be like the person you used to be and to have the keys you used to have. Stop feeding the feelings that keep you affixed to obsolete goals. Break any taboo that makes you scared to change what needs to be changed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The artist Amedeo Modigliani lived in Paris from 1906 until his death in 1920. For most of that time, he was destitute. Proprietors of local stores and restaurants sometimes accepted his art work as payment in lieu of actual money. They didn't necessarily appreciate it, though. One food seller used Modigliani's drawings as wraps for the fried potatoes he sold. Another stashed the artist's paintings in his cellar, where they turned into feasts for rodents. Too bad for these short-sighted people and their heirs: The worth of Modigliani's works eventually increased, and some sold for millions of dollars. In the weeks ahead, Leo, don't be like those food sellers. Know the value of what you have, even if it's still latent.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): I've got three new vocabulary words for you. I need them to provide you with the proper oracle. First is the German term *Schwellenangst*. It refers to timidity or nervousness about crossing a threshold and heading into unknown territory. The second word is a new English term, "strikhedonia." It means the joy that rises up when you feel the courage to say "to hell with it." The third word is from Portuguese: *desenrascango*. It means the spontaneous improvisation of haphazard but ultimately effective plans. Now let's put them all together: To conquer your *Schwellenangst*, you must summon a bolt of strikhedonia and have faith in your ability to carry out *desenrascango*. (Thanks to other-wordly.tumblr.com for the new words.)

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Desire can conquer fear. Love trumps cowardice. The power that your tenderness affords you may not completely dissolve your doubt and worry, but it will quiet them down so much that they will lose their ability to paralyze you. These

truths are always good to keep in mind, of course, but they are especially useful to you right now. No obstacle will faze you, no shadow will intimidate you, as long as you feed your holy longing and unshakable compassion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): On August 2, 1830, Louis Antoine, Duke of Angoulême, was King of France for 20 minutes. (It's a long story.) I offer this to you as a cautionary tale. A few weeks from now, I don't want to have to be comparing you to him. If you hope to hold your new position or continue to wield your added clout for longer than just a little while, you should take all necessary steps. How? Nurture the web of support that will sustain you, for example. Don't burn a single bridge. Cultivate real empathy, not just the showy kind. Avoid manipulative behavior, even if you think you can get away with it. Be a skillful gatherer of information.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Golda Meir was Prime Minister of Israel from 1969 to 1974. Her admirers described her as "strong-willed, straight-talking, grey-bunned grandmother of the Jewish people." She had a good sense of humor, too. "Let me tell you the one thing I have against Moses," she said. "He took us forty years into the desert in order to bring us to the one place in the Middle East that has no oil." I bring this up as a teaching story for you, Sagittarius. If you plan to make any big moves, transitions, or journeys in the coming months, I suggest you choose destinations that will allow you to gain access to wealth-building resources.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Do you know what phase of your cycle it is? Here are a few hints. It doesn't come around often. It's not characterized by predictable events or boring certainties. And it may allow you, even encourage you, to take a break from being your usual self. Give up? OK. I'll tell you. You have entered the Nicholas Cage Phase of your cycle. Cage is a Capricorn, but not a typical one. He's eccentric and manic and certifiably batty. He refers to his acting technique as "Nouveau Shamanic," once lived in a fake castle, and owns a Lamborghini that belonged to the legendary tyrant, the Shah of Iran. For our current purposes, he has also testified, "I am not a demon. I am a lizard, a shark, a heat-seeking panther. I want to be Bob Denver on acid playing the accordion."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Here's one of my goals in life, Aquarius: to show you a type of astrology that does not infringe on your free will, but rather clarifies your options. In this horoscope, for instance, I will outline your alternatives so that you will be fully informed as you determine what course of action will be most closely aligned with your high ideals. Ponder the following question, and then briskly exert your freedom of choice: Would you prefer to have love make your head spin, knock you off your feet, tickle your X-factor, kick you gently but firmly in the ass, or all of the above?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): "God changes caterpillars into butterflies, sand into pearls, and coal into diamonds by using time and pressure," says pastor Rick Warren. "He is working on you, too." Let's make that idea your meditation, Pisces. If the word "God" doesn't suit you, substitute "life," "nature" or "Wakan Tanka," the Lakotan term for "The Great Mystery." The essential point is that you are being worked on and shaped by forces beyond your conscious awareness. Some of them are vast and impersonal, like your culture, the media, and the entertainment industry. Others are intimate and close at hand, like your genes, your childhood imprints, and the characters you encounter daily. Now is an excellent time to contemplate all the influences that make you who you are.

Out on the town

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402 S. Washington Square, Lansing. (517) 482-0600, bibleandbeer@ccclansing.org.

Arabic Club. Practice listening to and speaking Arabic. 7-8 p.m. FREE. East Lansing Public Library, 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing. (517) 351-2420, elpl.org.

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Tuesday Morning Book Club. Discuss Steve Luxenberg's "Annie's Ghosts", 10:15-11:15 a.m. FREE. Delta Township District Library, 5130 Davenport Drive, Lansing. (517) 321-4014 ext. 4, dtld.org.

Wednesday, August 27

CLASSES AND SEMINARS

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

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Calzones, salads, pasta and subs. Two locations: 1818 S. Cedar St., Lansing and 201 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing. Noon-midnight Sunday; 11 a.m.-1 a.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Friday-Saturday. (517) 484-4825 or (517) 487-3733. sirpizza-mi.com. OM, TO, D, FB, P, \$

SMOKEY BONES —

American barbecue. 2401 Lake Lansing Road, Lansing Twp., 11 a.m.-2 a.m. daily. (517) 316-9973. smokeybones.com, OM, TO, \$\$\$Saturday. Closed Saturday and Sunday.

SOUP SPOON CAFE

— Specialty lunch/dinner creations, daily rotating soup selection. 1419 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday; 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 7 a.m.-midnight Friday; 8 a.m.-midnight Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 316-2377. soupspoon-cafe.com. FB, OM, TO, WiFi, RES, \$-\$\$

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SPAGNUOLO'S CHOCOLATE, FUDGE & ICE CREAM COMPANY

— Homemade fudge and handmade chocolates. 16800 Chandler Road, East Lansing. 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 664-8002, mychocolateshop.com, TO, WiFi, OM, \$

SPAGNUOLO'S RESTAURANT

— Offers weekly and family specials on Italian food. 662 W. Grand River, Okemos. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday & Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 349-9605, spagsinfo.com, OM, RES, FB, TO, \$\$

SPAG'S BAR & GRILL

— Offers variety from burgers to steak. 1286 E. Grand River Road, Williamston. 4 p.m.-midnight Tuesday-Thursday; noon-1 a.m. Friday & Saturday; noon-10 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday. (517) 655-4888, spagsinfo.com, RES, TO, OM, FB, \$\$

SPARTAN HALL OF FAME CAFE — MSU themed sports bar. 1601 W. Lake Lansing Road, East Lansing. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday. (517) 337-4680. spartanhalloffamecafe.com, FB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$-\$\$\$.

SPARTY'S CONEY ISLAND

— Offers \$1.25 coney dogs every Tuesday. 300 N. Clippert St. #5, Lansing. 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday. (517) 332-0111, TO, \$

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TO, OM, RES, \$

TACOS E MAS — Mexican fare at two locations. 801 W. Thomas L. Parkway, Lansing. (517) 699-8226. 1850 Cedar, Holt, (527) 699-8226. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday. tacosemas.com. OM, TO, D. \$-\$\$

TANNIN — All new Italian Restaurant. 5100 Marsh Road, Okemos. 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday; closed Mondays. (517) 575-6840, tanninofokemos.com, OM, FB, TO, \$\$\$

TAPS 25 — Offers a wide variety of craft beer. 414 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 4 p.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Sunday. (517) 913-0103, taps25.com,

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13175 Schavey Road, DeWitt. 3 p.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Friday; noon-2 a.m. Saturday & Sunday. (517) 624-2078. tincanbar.com, OM, FB, \$

TOARMINA'S PIZZA

— Home of the 24 inch pizza. 2011 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-midnight Friday & Saturday; 11:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Sunday. (517) 374-1022. toarminas.com, TO, D, \$

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— Italian cuisine, banquet space. 3420 N. Creyts Road, Lansing. 7 a.m.-midnight Monday-Wednesday; 7 a.m.-2 a.m. Thursday-Friday; midnight-10 p.m. Saturday; noon-8 p.m. Sunday. (517) 322-0733, tonymyslansing.com, FB, TO, OM, RES, P, WiFi, \$\$.

TONY SACCO'S COAL OVEN PIZZA

— Italian and American fare. 2328 Showtime Drive, Lansing. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday. (517) 485-2625. tonysaccos.com. TO, P, WiFi, BW, \$\$

TRIPPER'S SPORTS BAR

— Featuring daily Texas hold'em tournaments. 350 Frandor Ave., Lansing Twp. 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-1 a.m. Sunday. (517) 336-0717. tripperslansing.com. OM, TO, \$\$-\$\$\$

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— Dance floor, live band & cornhole tournaments. 5965 Marsh Road, Haslett. 11-2 a.m. Monday-Sunday. (517) 999-9999. thewatershed-

tavern.com. FB, WiFi, P, OM, TO, RES, \$\$

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— Burgers and sandwiches. 118 S. Washington Square, Lansing. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday. (517) 482-8049. TO, \$

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