

**A FREE Guide For  
June ~ July ~ August**

# **SUMMER 2010**

**Fun for  
Families & Children**



***A listing of free  
& inexpensive  
scheduled events  
being held throughout  
Kent & Ottawa Counties  
during the Summer of 2010***

Parents,  
 Are you looking for new places to go and fun things to do with your family this summer? Often times, vacations are thought of as spending time far from home, accompanied by high expenses. West Michigan offers a wealth of opportunities for fun in the sun that will not ruin your budget. This year, consider staying close to home to discover the beauty of Michigan. Although this booklet contains approximately 500 scheduled activities/events for June, July, and August 2010, they are only a portion of the inexpensive and fun things that are being planned throughout Kent and Ottawa Counties this summer.

Most of the entries include a phone number and/or website you may check out for additional information if needed. Great effort has been made to ensure the dates and information lists are correct. However, due to changes in schedules, it would be a good idea for you to call ahead to verify the dates, times, and admissions fees when planning your outings.

Michigan has an abundance of parks and beaches where you and your children can spend a day enjoying a picnic, splashing in the water, building sand castles, playing on the playgrounds, and hiking in the woods. Watch as the playground transforms into an olympic stadium, the lake becomes an ocean filled with pirate ships and the beach is hiding buried treasure, the woods become a jungle filled with wild animals... all through the eyes of your child. Join in on the fun and let your imagination run wild. Make this a summer your family will remember forever! To beat the heat or stay out of the rain, spend some time exploring the various museums!

I hope you have a fun, safe, and exciting summer and are able to enjoy many of the free and inexpensive activities listed in the booklet. Don't forget to bring a camera to capture some family memories!

Julie Hice

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## Vacation Bible Schools

- June 9-11**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:30 PM-8:15 PM • Drenthe Christian Reformed Church, 6344 Adams St., Zeeland • 688-5481 • [www.drenthecrc.org](http://www.drenthecrc.org) • For ages 5 to 10 years. • Pre-registration is preferred.
- June 14-17**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:00 AM-11:30 AM • Covenant Community Church, 4276 Baldwin St., Hudsonville • 669- 6684 • For ages 4 ½ years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is helpful.
- June 14-17**     **High Seas Expedition** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM (dinner for families served 5:00 PM-5:45 PM) • Ottawa Reformed Church, 11390 Stanton St., West Olive • 875-8125 ext. 100 • [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/OttawaReformed](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/OttawaReformed) • For ages 3 years through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-register online or at the door each evening. • Bible stories, songs, games and crafts!
- June 14-17**     **Choose to Believe** • 6:30 PM-8:00 PM • First Hudsonville Christian Reformed Church, 5486-32<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Hudsonville • 669-6557 • [www.1sthudsonvillecrc.org](http://www.1sthudsonvillecrc.org) • For ages 4 years through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is preferred but not required. • Thursday night will be a time of food, fun and fellowship for the whole family.

- June 14-17**     **Hero Headquarters-Where Kids Join Forces with God!** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Hudsonville Christian Middle School, 3925 Van Buren (hosted by CrossPointe Community Church) • 667-8857 • [www.crosspointemi.com](http://www.crosspointemi.com) • For ages (entering) kindergarten through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is available online.
- June 14-17**     **High Seas Expedition** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Holy Cross Lutheran, 1481 Baldwin St., Jenison • 457-2420 • [www.holycrossjenison.org](http://www.holycrossjenison.org) • For ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is encouraged and available online but not required. • Come explore the High Seas, experiencing the mighty love of God!
- June 14-18**     **Vacation Bible School** • 8:30 AM-12:15 PM • Jenison Bible Church, 6360-14<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hudsonville • e-mail: [office@jenisonbible.org](mailto:office@jenisonbible.org) • For grades (entering) 1<sup>st</sup> through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-register by e-mailing the church.
- June 14-18**     **Armor of God** • 9:00 AM-11:30 AM • North Blendon Christian Reformed Church, 7284 Taylor St., Hudsonville • 895-6434 • [www.nbcrc.org](http://www.nbcrc.org) • For ages 3 years through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required.
- June 14-18**     **High Seas Expedition** • 9:00 AM-11:30 AM • Hudsonville Reformed Church, 3950 Highland Dr., Hudsonville • 669-1040 • [www.hudref.org](http://www.hudref.org) • For ages 4 to 11 years. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required.
- June 14-18**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Grandville-Jenison Congregational Church, 3900 Henry St., Grandville • 534-5552 • [www.grandvillejenison.com](http://www.grandvillejenison.com) • For ages 5 to 12 years.
- June 20-24**     **Planet Zoom** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Grace Lutheran Church, 150-50<sup>th</sup> St., Wyoming • 534-0805 • [www.gracelutheranchurch.squarespace.com](http://www.gracelutheranchurch.squarespace.com) • For ages 3 years (must be potty trained) through (completion of) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is available online. • A light snack will be provided.
- June 21-24**     **Operation: Space!** • 9:00 AM-12:30 PM • Fellowship Reformed Church, 6610-36<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hudsonville • 669-1213 • [www.fellowshiphudsonville.org](http://www.fellowshiphudsonville.org) • For grades pre-k through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is encouraged. • A galactic adventure like no other! Join us as we study the universe to see how God reveals Himself through His world and His word.
- June 21-24**     **Hero Headquarters-Where Kids Join Forces with God!** • Monday 6:15 PM-8:00 PM, Tuesday-Thursday 6:30 PM-8:00 PM • Zutphen Christian Reformed Church, 3223-40<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hudsonville (hosted by Zutphen CRC, Jamestown CRC, Forest Grove CRC & Forest Grove Reformed Church) • 896-9709 • [www.zutphencrc.org](http://www.zutphencrc.org) • For ages pre-school through (entering) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is encouraged but not required. • Amazing Bible hero stories, power project crafts, super snacks, action games, Hero HQ large group music, worship, drama, and a service project to benefit Jehovah Jirah Ministries.
- June 21-24**     **Saddle Ridge Ranch** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Hager Park Church, 2635 Bauer Rd., Jenison • 669-5070 ext. 11 • [www.hagerpark.org](http://www.hagerpark.org) • For grades (entering) pre-k through (entering) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is encouraged.
- June 21-24**     **"0"** • 6:30 PM-8:45 PM • Alger Park Christian Reformed Church, 2655 Eastern Ave. SE, Grand Rapids • 452-9686 • For grades (entering) kindergarten through (entering) 8<sup>th</sup> grade. • There will be a Bible study for adults at the same time as the children's VBS. • Free meal served 5:30 PM-6:30 PM Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>.
- June 21-25**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:00 AM-11:30 AM • Christ Memorial Reformed Church, 595 Graafschap Rd., Holland • 796-3348 • [www.christmemorial.org](http://www.christmemorial.org) • For ages (entering) kindergarten through (entering) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is required and available online.
- June 21-25**     **High Seas Expedition** • 9:00 AM-Noon • Beechwood Reformed Church, 895 Ottawa Beach Rd., Holland • 786-9009 • [www.beechwoodchurch.org](http://www.beechwoodchurch.org) • For ages 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is requested but not required.
- June 21-25**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:00 AM-Noon • Borculo Christian Reformed Church, 6464-96<sup>th</sup> Ave., Borculo • 875-7501, 875-2024 • [www.borculocrc.org](http://www.borculocrc.org) • For grades pre-k through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is suggested and encouraged.

- June 21-25**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:00 AM-Noon • St. Mary's Church, 406 E. Savidge, Spring Lake • 842-1702 • [www.stmaryschoolspringlake.com](http://www.stmaryschoolspringlake.com) • For grades kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is required. • \$15 registration fee per child, with a \$45 maximum per family. *(No child will be excluded due to inability to pay.)*
- June 21-25**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:30 AM-Noon • Central Park Reformed Church, 614 Myrtle Ave., Holland • 335-9462 • For ages 4 years through (entering) 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- June 21-25**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:00 PM-8:00 PM • South Grandville Christian Reformed Church, 4130 Wilson Ave., Grandville • 532-5413 • [www.southgrandvillechurch.org](http://www.southgrandvillechurch.org) • For ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-register online. • This is not your typical VBS! Kids will be challenged to serve family, friends, neighbors, community, and Jesus.
- June 21-25**     **Galactic Blast: A Cosmic Adventure Praising God** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Woodhaven Reformed Church, 3959-68<sup>th</sup> St., Byron Center • 532-0532 • [www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/woodhavenvbs](http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/woodhavenvbs) • For ages 4 years through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is helpful. • Dinner is available for purchase each night at 5:15 PM for minimal cost.
- June 28-July 1**   **Hero Headquarters-Where Kids Join Forces with God!** • 9:00 AM-11:30 AM • Rosewood Church, 2795 Rosewood St., Jenison • 669-6690 • [www.rosewoodchurch.org](http://www.rosewoodchurch.org) • For ages 4 years through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required.
- June 28-July 1**   **The Egypt File: Decoding the Mystery of Life** • 9:30 AM-11:50 AM • Bethany United Reformed Church, 5401 Byron Center SW, Wyoming • 534-0006 • [www.bethanyurc.com](http://www.bethanyurc.com) • For ages 4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Parents are invited for lunch and a final program on Thursday.
- June 28-July 2**   **The Search is On: An Adventure into the Mysteries of the Bible** • Monday-Thursday 6:30 PM-8:30 PM, Friday 5:30 PM-8:30 PM • Ridgewood Christian Reformed Church, 1571 Baldwin St., Jenison • 457-3850 • [www.ridgewoodcrc.com](http://www.ridgewoodcrc.com) • For ages pre-k through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is suggested but not required. • There will be a community picnic and program on Friday for all the families involved in the VBS.
- July 7**  
*Every Wed. through August 11*     **The Egypt File: Decoding the Mystery of Life** • 5:50 PM-8:10 PM • Bethel United Reformed Church, 2025 Baldwin St., Jenison • e-mail (preferred): [bethelvbs@hotmail.com](mailto:bethelvbs@hotmail.com) • 667-9096 • [www.jenisonbethel.org](http://www.jenisonbethel.org) • For ages 4 to 11 years. • Pre-registration is recommended.
- July 11-14**     **Sports Camp VBS** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Allendale Township Park, Lake Michigan Dr. & 68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale (hosted by Life Stream) • 777-0365 • [www.lifestreamweb.org](http://www.lifestreamweb.org) • For grades kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is requested but not required. • Children will learn how being physically active is connected to being active with their faith.
- July 12-15**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:15 PM-8:15 PM • Bethel Lutheran Church, 3655 Wilson Ave. SW, Grandville • 534-3364 • [www.bethellutheran.com](http://www.bethellutheran.com) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is preferred and available by calling the church. • A light dinner will be served at 6:15 PM followed by Bible stories, games, crafts and singing.
- July 12-15**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:15 PM-8:30 PM • Bethany Christian Reformed Church, 11 E. 32<sup>nd</sup> St., Holland • 392-2635 • [www.bethanycrc.com](http://www.bethanycrc.com) • For grades pre-school through (completion of) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Come join us in the rainforest as we follow Jesus on a life-changing adventure! • There will be a program and cookout 6:00 PM-7:00 PM on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
- July 12-15**     **Backstage with the Bible** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Fair Haven Ministries, 2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville • 662-2100 • [www.fhmin.org](http://www.fhmin.org) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • There will be a family night at 6:30 PM on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
- July 12-15**     **High Seas Adventures** • 6:30 PM-8:45 PM • Twelfth Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 7581-12<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jenison • 457-1860 • [www.12thavecrc.org](http://www.12thavecrc.org) • For ages pre-school (3 years) through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- July 12-16**     **High Seas Expedition** • 9:00 AM-Noon • Lighthouse Community Church, 5947 Lake Michigan Dr., Allendale • 895-4349 • [www.lighthouse-ministries.org](http://www.lighthouse-ministries.org) • For grades kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

- July 12-16**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 9:30 AM-Noon • Vriesland Reformed Church, 6839 Byron Rd., Zeeland • 772-2791 • [www.vrieslandchurch.org](http://www.vrieslandchurch.org) • For grades pre-school through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is required. • Children will discover a living spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God.
- July 12-16**     **Son Rock Kids Camp** • 6:00 PM-8:20 PM • Peace Church, 9530 Woodbridge St., Zeeland • 772-1956 • [www.peacereformed.com](http://www.peacereformed.com) • For grades (entering) kindergarten through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- July 18-22**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:30 PM-8:15 PM • Bread of Life Lutheran Church, 3570 Baldwin St., Hudsonville • 797-9930 • [www.breadoflifelc.org](http://www.breadoflifelc.org) • For ages 3 years through (completion of) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated. • There will be an outdoor worship service and picnic, for the whole family, 9:30 AM-Noon on the 18<sup>th</sup> to kick off the week of Vacation Bible School.
- July 19-22**     **High Seas Expedition** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • New Community Fourth Reformed Church, 238 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St., Holland • 392-2590 • For ages 4 years through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required.
- July 19-22**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Westview Christian Reformed Church, 2929 Leonard St. NW, Grand Rapids • 453-3105 • For grades (entering) kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is available but not required. • Rough Waves, Jesus Saves! • There will be an ice cream social following a singing program on Thursday.
- July 26-29**     **Vacation Bible School** • 9:15 AM-11:45 AM • Noordeloos Christian Reformed Church, 4055-120<sup>th</sup> Ave., Holland • 772-9853 • [www.noordeloosrc.org](http://www.noordeloosrc.org) • For grades (entering) kindergarten through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is recommended. • Enjoy a week of singing and Bible story time with “Uncle Tim.”
- July 26-29**     **High Seas Expedition** • 9:30 AM-11:30 AM (registration begins at 9:15 AM) • Jamestown Reformed Church, 2554 Riley St., Jamestown • 896-9732 • [www.jamestownrc.org](http://www.jamestownrc.org) • For ages 4 years through (entering) 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is encouraged. • Kids will explore the mighty love of God on a high seas journey that will be a lot of fun!
- July 26-29**     **Planet Zoom** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Zion Lutheran Church, 77 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> St., Holland • 392-7151 • [www.hollandzionlutheranchurch.com](http://www.hollandzionlutheranchurch.com) • For ages 4 to 10 years. • Pre-register by e-mail: [zionlutheran@tds.net](mailto:zionlutheran@tds.net). • The VBS where Bold BEE-lievers Zip, Zap & Zoom for Jesus!
- July 26-29**     **High Seas Expedition** • 6:30 PM-8:00 PM • Standale Church, 202 Cummings NW, Grand Rapids • 453-0005 • [www.standalerc.org](http://www.standalerc.org) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is helpful and available online. • There will be a community carnival on the 30<sup>th</sup>.
- July 26-30**     **Key to the Kingdom** • 5:00 PM-8:00 PM • Grand Valley Baptist Church, 0-3186 River Hill Dr. NW, Grand Rapids • 667-3618 • [www.grandvalleybaptistchurch.com](http://www.grandvalleybaptistchurch.com) • For grades kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Bible teaching, crafts, games, hayride, light dinner, and Bible based skit.
- July 26-30**     **Fiesta! Celebration God’s Care** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Cottonwood Christian Reformed Church, 1101 Cypress Dr., Jenison • 457-1010 • [www.cottonwoodchurchonline.com](http://www.cottonwoodchurchonline.com) • For ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required. • There will be a free picnic supper on Friday night for the families of those who attended the VBS.
- August 1-5**     **SonQuest Rainforest** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Olivet Reformed Church, 3085 Wallace SW, Grandville • 534-0436 • [www.olivetreformed.org](http://www.olivetreformed.org) • For ages 5 to 12 years.
- August 2-4**     **Vacation Bible School** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Rogers Heights Christian Reformed Church, 3025 Michael Ave. SW, Wyoming • 532-3174 • For grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- August 2-6**     **Starship Galactic Praise** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison • 669-0730 • [www.gumonline.org](http://www.gumonline.org) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is preferred. • Calling all young cadets to complete our missions in Orbital Observatory, Good News Galaxy, Cosmic Crafts, and Rocket Rec.
- August 2-6**     **Put on the Full Armor of God!: Ephesians 6:10-18** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • Blythefield Christian Reformed Church, 6350 Kuttshill Dr. NE, Rockford • 866-2962 • [www.blythefieldcrc.com](http://www.blythefieldcrc.com) • For ages 3 to 10 years. • Pre-registration is appreciated.

- August 8-12** **SonQuest Rainforest** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Christ Lutheran Church, 2350-44<sup>th</sup> St., Wyoming • 532-2774 • [www.christlutheranwyoming.org](http://www.christlutheranwyoming.org) • For ages 3 years through (entering) 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is available online but not required. • T-shirts will be available for \$5.50.
- August 8-12** **Galactic Blast: A Cosmic Adventure Praising God** • 6:30 PM-8:00 PM • Faith United Methodist Church, 2600-7<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Grand Rapids • 453-0693 • [www.grfaithumc.org](http://www.grfaithumc.org) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is preferred but not required.
- August 9-12** **High Seas Expedition** • 6:30 PM-8:30 PM • South Blendon Reformed Church, 4817 Port Sheldon Rd., Hudsonville • 669-9872 ext. 11 • [www.southblendon.org](http://www.southblendon.org) • For ages 4 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is appreciated but not required.
- August 9-13** **Adventure on the High Seas** • 6:00 PM-8:00 PM • Bauer Christian Reformed Church, 4958 Bauer Rd., Hudsonville • 669-1061 • [www.bauercrc.org](http://www.bauercrc.org) • For ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- August 9-13** **High Seas Expedition** • 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Hanley Church, 372 Jackson, Grandville • 534-4844 • [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/hanleyrc](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/hanleyrc) • For grades pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. • Pre-registration is available online.
- August 9-13** **Vacation Bible School** • 8:30 AM-Noon • Jamestown Baptist Church, 2472 Quincy St., Hudsonville • 896-8294 • [www.jamestownbaptist.org](http://www.jamestownbaptist.org) • For grades kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- August 16-19** **Vacation Bible School** • 5:30 PM-8:00 PM • Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3990-112<sup>th</sup> Ave., Holland • 772-4075 • [www.goodshepherdhollandmi.com](http://www.goodshepherdhollandmi.com) • For ages pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

## Family Activities & Events

- June 1** **Summer Reading Kickoff Party** • Celebrate the official start of summer reading and learn how children in 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade can earn a free book by reading 8 books of their choice (from home, library, etc.). Also enjoy face painting and free cake in the children's department of Barnes & Noble (Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids). 6:00 PM-7:00 PM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- June 1** **Acoustic Jam Night** • Good music, good friends, and good times for the whole family at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Sign up to sing or play a song or just sit back and listen to some good ol' folk music. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission: \$4, Free for children 12 years and younger and for museum members. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- June 2** **Discovery Days: Jump, Frog, Jump!** • Pre-schoolers (ages 3-5 years) and their parent or guardian will look and listen for frogs around the pond in Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada), try to hop like a frog, and make a frog craft to take home. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per child. 676-0520
- June 2** **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 3-4** **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- June 4** **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 4** **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Algoma Fire Department, 10820 Edgerton Ave., Rockford. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- June 4-6** **41<sup>st</sup> Annual Festival of the Arts** • A huge community-wide celebration in downtown Grand Rapids on Calder Plaza and beyond. Continuous live entertainment, art, film, poetry, storytelling, Improv, photography, displays, children's activities and more. Many food booths run by non-profit organizations selling ethnic food. Noon-10:00 PM Friday, 10:00 AM-10:00 PM Saturday, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM Sunday. Free Admission. No animals (except assistance dogs). 459-1300 [www.festivalgr.org](http://www.festivalgr.org)

- June 5**      **Chef Series: Simply Fresh** • Lauri Sisson, catering manager of Pereddies Restaurant in Washington Square, will demonstrate how Farmers' Market produce can be incorporated into fast, fresh, and fabulous dishes at the Holland Farmers' Market, 150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- June 5**      **First Saturday for Kids** • Storytime and craft activities with booksellers or reading/signing with published authors at Literary Life Bookstore & More, Inc., 758 Wealthy St. SE, Grand Rapids. 11:00 AM-Noon. Free Admission. See website for specific schedule. 458-8418 [www.literarylifebokstore.com](http://www.literarylifebokstore.com)
- June 5**      **Victorian Tea at the Cappon House** • Sample dainty tea foods of Victorian Holland and refreshments based on recipes from Holland's founding families and prominent residents as you learn about Holland's rich history at the Cappon House Museum (229 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Holland). Enjoy a game of croquet or badminton and listen to the tunes of a pianist. Hats and Victorian attire are encouraged. 1:00 PM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$7 Adults, \$6 Seniors, \$4 Students, Free for 6 years and under, \$14 Family (2 Adults with children). 392-9084 [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org)
- June 5**      **Food Truck** • Produce and pre-boxed food will be given to the first 200 families at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 1:00 PM (until supply is gone). Free Admission. Bring a box to carry produce items home. 942-6320 [www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org](http://www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org)
- June 5**      **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- June 6**      **Paint the Sky Kite Fly** • A low-key, fun in the sun, day of kite flying. Bring a picnic and enjoy a day on the Grand Haven beach. No organized events are planned. 1:00 PM-5:00 PM. [www.mackite.com](http://www.mackite.com)
- June 7**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 8**      **Music on the Lawn~13<sup>th</sup> Hour** • 60s and 70s classic folk-pop tunes on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalsociety.org)
- June 8**      **Rogue River Blues Series** • Bring a blanket and enjoy live music performed in Garden Park, located directly north of the Rockford Dam on Bridge St., along the river bend Squires St. shops in Rockford. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Inclement weather location is the Rotary Pavilion at the corner of Courtland & Squires Streets. 866-7764 [www.artsrockford.org](http://www.artsrockford.org)
- June 9**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 10**      **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Cutlerville Fire Department, 11-68<sup>th</sup> St., Cutlerville. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- June 10**      **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections at the Wyoming Fire Department, 1500 Burton, Wyoming. Appointment required. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. 5:00 PM-8:00 PM. 391-1591 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- June 10**      **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 [www.downtownholland.com](http://www.downtownholland.com)
- June 10**      **Skateboard Ministry** • Supervised skateboarding and in-line skating on a large assortment of ramps at Hillcrest Christian Reformed Church, 3617 Hillcrest St., Hudsonville. For children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older. Snacks and water provided. A medical release form must be signed by parent/guardian. 6:30 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled due to rain. Bring your helmet! 669-6556 [www.hillcrestcrc.org](http://www.hillcrestcrc.org)

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- June 10-11**     **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- June 11**        **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 11**        **Kids Tunes at Noon~Candy Band** • Comprised of 4 stay-at-home moms, Candy Band will perform in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 [www.candyband.com](http://www.candyband.com), [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- June 11**        **Summer Concert Series~Ragbirds** • Music with a positive message that appeals to all ages performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- June 11-13**    **Cutlerville Community Days** • Activities throughout Cutlerville. 5:00 PM-10:00 PM Friday, 9:00 AM-11:00 PM Saturday, church service in Cutler Park (6701 Cutler Park Dr. SW, Cutlerville) 10:00 AM Sunday. A schedule of events is available online. Free Admission. 890-1378 [www.cutlerville-gaineschamber.org](http://www.cutlerville-gaineschamber.org)
- June 12**        **Mustang & All Ford Car Show** • West Michigan Mustang Club's annual car show at Tony Betten & Sons Ford, 3839 Plainfield Ave. NE, Grand Rapids. Car registration 8:00 AM-11:00 AM. Award presentations at 3:00 PM. Food available for purchase. No "for sale" signs, bikes, skateboards or pets in the show area. Free Admission for spectators. Entry fee for participants: \$15. 891-2139 [www.westmichiganmustangclub.com](http://www.westmichiganmustangclub.com)
- June 12**        **Hudsonville Art in the Park** • A family-friendly craft show and art exhibit, with hands-on activities for children, where artisans and crafters will show their hand-crafted talent at 3284 Chicago Dr., Hudsonville. 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Free Admission. 669-0200 [www.hudsonville.org](http://www.hudsonville.org)
- June 12**        **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. [www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com) → services → build & grow
- June 12**        **Chef Series: Pantry Raiders** • Chefs James Bailey and Scott Konchek from Freedom Village will demonstrate at the Holland Farmers' Market (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) how easy it is to make a meal using ingredients you already have in your pantry. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- June 12**        **Kids Bike & Safety Rodeo** • Fun activities in Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) for children 4-12 years old, hosted by the Kent County Sheriff Department. Bike and helmet inspections, bus safety, fire safety, and a bike obstacle course 10:00 AM-Noon. Awards, raffles, and free cookout lunch at noon. Bike parade 1:00 PM. Children must bring their own bike and helmet. Free Admission/Donations accepted for the Community Policing Unit. Pre-registration requested. 632-6220, 676-0520
- June 12**        **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- June 12-13**    **Free Fishing Weekend** • For two days, fishing license fees for Michigan residents and out-of-state visitors are waived for both inland and Great Lakes waters. All fishing regulations still apply. [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr)
- June 12-13**    **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Feast of the Strawberry Moon** • A reenactment portraying an 18<sup>th</sup>-century living history experience on La Grande Rivere on Harbor Island in Grand Haven. See how Native Americans, military, merchants, voyagers, fur traders, and period craftspeople lived during the late 1700's. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Sunday. Admission: \$3.50 per person or \$12.50 per family. Kids under 5 years are free. Free Parking on Harbor Island. 842-0700 [www.tri-citiesmuseum.org](http://www.tri-citiesmuseum.org)
- June 12-13**    **31<sup>st</sup> Annual Homecoming of the Three Fires Traditional Pow Wow** • A family-friendly, outdoor celebration with Anishnabek music, dance in full regalia, crafts and foods in Riverside Park (Monroe Ave., near 3 Mile, Grand Rapids-across from the Veterans home). No drugs, alcohol, or pets. Public welcome. 11:00 AM-Dark Saturday, 11:00 AM-approximately 5:00 PM Sunday. Grand entry times: 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM Saturday, Noon Sunday. Free Admission. 458-8759

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- June 13**      **Harbor Lights Homecoming** • Gospel music and celebration for all ages at Fair Haven Ministries (2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville), featuring local artists and musicians. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 662-2100 [www.fhmin.org](http://www.fhmin.org)
- June 14**      **Storytime** • At Pooh’s Corner Children’s Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 14**      **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 [www.gumononline.org](http://www.gumononline.org)
- June 14**      **Jazz at the Zoo** • Jazz music at the John Ball Park Band Shell, 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Bring a blanket or chair. Free Admission. Donations accepted. [www.wmichjazz.org](http://www.wmichjazz.org)
- June 15**      **Acoustic Jam Night** • Good music, good friends, and good times for the whole family at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Sign up to sing or play a song or just sit back and listen to some good ol’ folk music. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission: \$4, Free for children 12 years and younger and for museum members. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- June 15**      **Monthly Storytelling Meeting** • Join the Story Spinners of Grand Rapids at Terraces of Maple Creek (2000-32<sup>nd</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids) for a time of storytelling, refreshments, and a storytelling educational segment. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. Open to the public of all ages. 299-9698 [www.storyspinners.net](http://www.storyspinners.net)
- June 15**      **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- June 15**      **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- June 15**      **Music on the Lawn~Koul Band** • Jazz and popular standards on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalociety.org)
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- June 15**      **American Legion Band Concert** • In Kollen Park, on the west end of 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Van Raalte Ave. in Holland. Bring a chair or blanket. 7:30 PM. Free Admission. 405-6460 [www.hollandlegionband.org](http://www.hollandlegionband.org)
- June 15-17**    **CSI: Creative Science Investigators** • Extreme experiments, wacky games, cool crafts, music, and more for children ages 5 years through 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Church, 707 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids. Topics include birds of prey, electricity, and amazing plants. Free Admission. Pre-registration required and available online. 956-9377 ext. 5067 [www.calvarygr.org](http://www.calvarygr.org)
- June 15-20**    **Spring Lake Heritage Festival** • Activities throughout the village of Spring Lake, including library programs, dog walk, family fun night, community picnic, museum program, ice cream social, senior activities, wings on the water, flea market, car show, Civil War living history and cemetery walk, fireworks, hymn sing, and more. A full schedule of events is available online. 881-2882 [www.slheritagefestival.com](http://www.slheritagefestival.com)
- June 16**      **Crazy Craft Day** • An outdoor craft party for kids (5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger) to make several projects at Fair Haven Ministries, 2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville. Optional: bring a cotton t-shirt to tie-dye. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 662-2100 [www.fhmin.org](http://www.fhmin.org)
- June 16**      **Storytime** • At Pooh’s Corner Children’s Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)

- June 16**      **Summer Spectacular** • A family carnival with games, lunch, prizes, inflatables, and water games at Berkley Hills Wesleyan Church, 1670 Ball Ave. NE, Grand Rapids. Geared for children ages 2-13 years. 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Free Admission. 364-9505 [www.berkleyhills.org](http://www.berkleyhills.org)
- June 16**      **Neighbor Night** • An outdoor meal (served at 6:00 PM), followed by games and activities for children, with prizes, at Hope Christian Reformed Church, 3110 Barrett, Grandville. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 10¢ tickets for games and activities. 534-8901
- June 16**      **Block Party: Art on the Lot** • Fun for all ages at Twelfth Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 7581-12<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jenison. 6:00 PM-8:30 PM. Dinner served 6:00 PM-7:00 PM. Free Admission. All activities and food are free! 457-1860
- June 16**      **Sounds of Summer~Trippin'** • Acoustic music and a family-oriented activity in Pottawattomie Park, 1500 Comstock, Grand Haven Township. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 844-2138 [www.spread-the-music.org](http://www.spread-the-music.org)
- June 17**      **Evening Fishing** • Open fishing for youth at Ada Park pond, 1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada. Poles, bait, assistance, and snacks provided. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- June 17**      **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 [www.downtownholland.com](http://www.downtownholland.com)
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- June 17**      **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- June 17**      **Summer Concert Series~Funktion** • Outdoor concert at Veterans Memorial Park (3275 Central Blvd., Hudsonville) featuring classic Funk, with elements of Rock, R&B, and Hip-Hop. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Rain location is the fire station next to the park. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 669-0200, 662-0900 [www.hudsonville.org](http://www.hudsonville.org), [www.hudsonvillechamber.com](http://www.hudsonvillechamber.com)
- June 17**      **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~Bronk Bros Band** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161 [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org)
- June 17-18**    **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- June 17-19**    **Second Best Sale** • The best Second Best Sale in the area. Good quality, low priced clothing for all ages, household goods, furniture and electronics for sale by Oakdale Park Church and the Calvin College dorms and apartments at 961 Temple St. SE, Grand Rapids. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Thursday & Friday, 9:00 AM-1:30 PM Saturday. 452-5764 [www.oakdalepark.org](http://www.oakdalepark.org)
- June 18**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 18**      **Summer Concert Series~UV Hippo** • A six-piece jam rock band performing in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- June 18**      **American Girl Night** • Bring your American Girl doll, be ready to have fun and meet new friends in the children's department of Barnes & Noble at Rivertown Crossings, 3700 Rivertown Parkway, Grandville. 7:00 PM. 531-1825 [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com)

- June 18-19**     **West Michigan Chalk Art Festival** • Walk, view and experience chalk art at your feet as youth and adults show their creativity on the pavement throughout downtown Byron Center. Rain or shine. Chalking and public viewing Noon-9:00 PM Friday. Saturday: youth and adult artists chalking 9:00 AM-3:00 PM, public viewing 9:00 AM-9:00 PM, judging of art 3:00 PM-5:00 PM, chalk awards 5:00 PM. Also enjoy music, face painting, the Byron farmers' market, and craft fair 8:00 AM-1:00 PM Saturday. 878-6029 www.wmcaf.com
- June 18-19**     **Tom Sawyer** • Master Arts Theatre Hudsonville Youth present a play, based on Mark Twain's classic novel, at Hudsonville High School, 5037-32<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Hudsonville. 7:00 PM Friday, 3:00 PM & 7:00 PM Saturday. Admission: Mention this ad to purchase \$5 tickets. 455-1001 www.masterarts.org/showhudsummer.htm
- June 19**        **Classic Car Show for Charity** • Cars and trucks on display at the Sparta Moose Family Center #50, 11510 N. Division, Sparta. Vehicle registration 8:00 AM-Noon. Show Noon-2:00 PM. Awards 2:00 PM. Breakfast (8:00 AM) and lunch (11:30 AM-1:00 PM) available for purchase. Free Admission for spectators. Rain or shine. 887-9126 www.moose50.org
- June 19**        **Walker Festival** • Family-oriented activities and entertainment in City Central Park (Remembrance Rd. & Wilson, Walker-behind city hall). The festivities will end with fireworks at dusk. 9:00 AM-11:30 PM. Free Admission. \$5 wristbands available for ages 5 years and older to enjoy unlimited activities. 4 years and younger may participate free of charge. 453-6311 www.ci.walker.mi.us
- June 19**        **45<sup>th</sup> Annual Reeds Lake Art Festival** • Over 130 booths featuring painting, photography, sculpture, fiber, pottery, jewelry, glass, wood, etc. on Wealthy St., Lake Dr., and in John Collins Park (650 Lakeside Dr.) in East Grand Rapids. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. Rain or shine. Free Admission. 458-0315 www.gvami.com
- June 19**        **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Master Grilling Cook-Off** • Grilling competition, music, entertainment, and fun for the whole family at Modern Hardware, 1500 Kalamazoo Ave., Grand Rapids. 10:00 AM-5:00 PM. Rain or shine. Free Admission for spectators. Food and art available for purchase from local restaurants and artists. Come see the big red truck from the Grand Rapids Fire Department. 241-2655 www.moderncookoff.com
- June 19**        **Grand Rapids World Refugee Day 2010** • Activities honoring the courage, resilience, and strength of refugees, including music, dance, children's games, testimonials from refugees, crafts and international foods at Rosa Parks Circle (Monroe Ave. & Pearl St., Grand Rapids). 1:00 PM-5:00 PM. Free Admission. Ethnic food and crafts available for purchase. www.refugeeday.com
- June 19**        **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com
- June 19**        **Summer Kickoff Party & Movie in the Park** • A family event in Pinery Park (2301 DeHoop SW, Wyoming) that will start off with "county fair" style games and end with a movie in the park. Bring a picnic and enjoy the activities! 6:30 PM-11:00 PM. Free Admission. Fee for games. Free movie. 530-3164 www.wyomingmi.gov
- June 20**        **Outdoor Worship Service** • Join Spring Valley Community Church in Allendale Township Park (Lake Michigan Dr. & 68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale) for an outdoor service. Seating available or bring your own chair. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 895-9150 www.spring-valley-church.org
- June 21**        **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.poohscornerstore.com
- June 21**        **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 www.gumonline.org
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- June 22**        **Tuesday Morning Movie Madness** • A family-friendly movie at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. 10:00 AM. Check website for movie title. Free Admission. 457-9620 www.gtpl.org

- June 22**      **Tuesday Family Night** • Free hot dog supper at 6:00 PM followed by main stage events (Gospel music, Hip Hop, live theater, Zumba demonstrations, etc.), urban farm activities, basketball, sno cones, storytelling, and crafts at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 1239 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids. Fun for all ages! 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 241-1679 [www.fullercrc.org](http://www.fullercrc.org)
- June 22**      **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
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- June 23**      **Storytime at the Library** • Stories, songs, crafts, and fingerplays, for ages 3-5 years, at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. *Due to room capacity limitations, parents may be asked to wait outside the room while storytime is in progress.* 11:10 AM-11:40 AM. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- June 23**      **SummerSalt Ultimate Inflatables** • Outdoor activities for the whole family by the Maples Picnic Shelter in Hager Park, 8134-28<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jenison. Hosted by Jenison Christian Church. 5:00 PM-8:00 PM. Admission: \$5. Pre-register online. 669-6540 [www.jcconline.net/summersalt](http://www.jcconline.net/summersalt)
- June 23**      **Dog Days** • Free hot dogs, chips and drink (coffee, lemonade, water) at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 6:00 PM (until the dogs run away!). Free Admission. 942-6320 [www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org](http://www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org)
- June 23**      **Sounds of Summer~Brown Chicken Brown Trout** • Funk-Rock music and a family-oriented activity in Pottawattomie Park, 1500 Comstock, Grand Haven Township. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 844-2138 [www.spread-the-music.org](http://www.spread-the-music.org)
- June 24**      **Maranda Park Party** • Free games, rides, activities, snacks and entertainment for children, hosted by Maranda and WOOD TV8 at Cedar Springs Public School Complex (204 E. Muskegon St., Cedar Springs). Noon-2:00 PM. Free Admission. [www.wotv.com](http://www.wotv.com)
- June 24**      **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Grand Rapids Fire Department, 2541 Kalamazoo St., Grand Rapids. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
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- June 24**      **Let's Go to Bat for the Kids!** • A fun charity softball game at Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park. Local media personalities and area priests take to the field for a lighthearted game of softball. Proceeds benefit the child abuse prevention and recovery programs of Catholic Charities West Michigan. Children's games and activities available. Opening ceremonies 6:30 PM. Admission: \$5, Free for children 12 years and under. 456-1443 [www.ccwestmi.org](http://www.ccwestmi.org)
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- June 25**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- June 25**      **Kids Tunes at Noon~Gemini** • Twin brothers, Laz and San will entertain children and families with their acoustic music in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. The brothers also play more than a dozen instruments. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 [www.geminichildrensmusic.com](http://www.geminichildrensmusic.com), [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- June 25**      **Summer Concert Series~Peter Oprisko as Frank Sinatra** • Live music performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- June 26**      **Queen's Cup** • Sailboats from all over the Great Lakes will gather in Milwaukee, WI on Friday night and race over night, across Lake Michigan, to Grand Haven. View the sailboats as they arrive at the Grand Haven waterfront early Saturday morning. 502-0881 [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- June 26**      **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. [www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com) → services → build & grow
- June 26**      **Chef Series: Spring Greens** • Chef Matt Kearby and Pat Eldean, owner and general manager of the Piper Restaurant, will be at the Holland Farmers' Market (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) to explain the basic cooking preparations for greens, including wilting, sautéing, and par boiling. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- June 26**      **29<sup>th</sup> Annual Sand Sculpture Contest** • Held at Grand Haven City Beach. Groups, families, and individuals make sculptures in the sand which are judged and awarded prizes after a 2-hour time limit. Come see the creations. Sculpting 10:00 AM-Noon. Registration fee for participants. Free Admission for spectators. 842-4910 [www.grandhavenchamber.org](http://www.grandhavenchamber.org)
- June 26**      **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- June 26**      **AGA Summer Skate Park Series-Skateboard/BMX Event** • A skateboard/BMX competition at Grand Haven Skate Park, 600 Mulligan's Dr., Grand Haven (behind Tri-Cities YMCA on Harbor Dr.). 4:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators/non-competitors. \$10 fee to compete (*Purchase a Taco Bell combo meal and receive a coupon for athletes to compete for free.*) 248-622-3696 [www.aganation.com](http://www.aganation.com), [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- June 26-27**    **Dutton Days** • Activities in downtown Dutton include: **26<sup>th</sup>**- Classic & custom car show, rides, games, entertainment, petting zoo, food and more. **27<sup>th</sup>**- Community worship service. Free Admission. 890-1378 [www.cutlerville-gaineschamber.org](http://www.cutlerville-gaineschamber.org)

- June 26-27** **Van Raalte Farm Civil War Muster** • Battle of Utoy Creek reenactment, impressions of historical figures, performances, medical scenarios, a Civil War encampment, period-style vendors, and music at Van Raalte Farm Park (E. 24<sup>th</sup> St. & Country Club Rd., Holland). 9:00 AM-9:30 PM Saturday, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM Sunday. Admission: \$7 per day, \$10 for a 2-day pass. 392-9084 [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org)
- June 26-27** **49<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Haven Art Festival** • Meet and talk with the artists personally at a juried art show along Washington Ave., between Harbor and 3<sup>rd</sup> St. in Grand Haven. The artwork displayed includes paintings, sculptures, photos, glass, wood, jewelry, collage, and ceramics and is all original and handmade in America. 10:00 AM-5:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. (954) 472-3755 [www.artfestival.com](http://www.artfestival.com)
- June 27** **Carnival** • Lunch, rides, games, dunk machine, face painting, hay rides and more at Wellspring Church, 4466 Bauer Rd., Hudsonville. Noon-3:00 PM. Admission: \$5-\$7 per person. 662-8955 [www.wellspringcc.org](http://www.wellspringcc.org)
- June 27** **Ice Cream Sundays** • An outdoor concert of contemporary Christian music, along with free ice cream sundaes, at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, O-60 Port Sheldon Rd., Grandville. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. In case of rain, concert will be in the gym. 457-1630 [www.trinity-crc.org](http://www.trinity-crc.org)
- June 27** **Worship On the Waterfront~Jimmy Needham** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1 N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
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- June 28** **Wii Bowling Tournament** • Kids ages 12-17 years will form two-person teams (each team member bowls every other frame) and compete for prizes at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. Must register by June 25. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Sorry, no spectators. Refreshments available. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
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- June 29** **Young Explorers: Fishing Fun** • Parents may drop off or join their youth (ages 5-7 years) at Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) to find out what the excitement in fishing is all about! Kids will practice casting and baiting hooks and search for the best spot to throw in their line. Equipment will be provided or bring your own. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per Youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
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- June 29** **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- June 29** **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
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- June 30**      **Junior Naturalists: Fishing Frenzy** • Whether a first-timer or a seasoned fisherman, kids ages 8-11 years may sharpen their fishing skills at Ada Park pond, 1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada. Equipment will be available to borrow or bring your own. Parents/guardians welcome or drop off youth with a contact information form. 9:30 AM-Noon. Admission: \$5 per youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
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- July 2**        **Bike Decorating Day** • Children 4-12 years (with their parent or guardian) may bring their bike to Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) to decorate it for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Helpers and materials will be available. 10:00 AM-Noon. Pre-registration requested. Admission: \$4 per child. The Village of Ada will celebrate Independence Day on July 3 with a parade at 10:00 AM, activities 11:00 AM-3:00 PM, and fireworks at dusk. 676-0520
- July 2**        **Free First Friday** • The first Friday of every month you will find deals and surprises in downtown Coopersville, including free admission to the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Museum hours: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)

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- July 3**      **First Saturday for Kids** • Storytime and craft activities with booksellers or reading/signing with published authors at Literary Life Bookstore & More, Inc., 758 Wealthy St. SE, Grand Rapids. 11:00 AM-Noon. Free Admission. See website for specific schedule. 458-8418 [www.literarylifebokstore.com](http://www.literarylifebokstore.com)
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- July 9**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- July 9**      **Kids Tunes at Noon~Dilly Songs** • A delightful and silly sing-a-long with Aaron Vande Wege in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 [www.dillysongs.com](http://www.dillysongs.com), [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)

- July 9**      **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Algoma Fire Department, 10820 Edgerton Ave., Rockford. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- July 9-11**    **Riverwalk Festival with Historic Riverboat Tours** • Concerts, arts and crafts, parade, Brian Mead Memorial Cruise-in, children's area, historic river tour, kayak fun, used book sale, food booths, sidewalk sales, health and fitness fair, fireworks, and much more throughout downtown Lowell. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM Thursday & Friday, 8:00 AM-10:30 PM Saturday. Free Admission. 897-9161 [www.discoverlowell.org](http://www.discoverlowell.org)
- July 10**      **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. [www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com) → services → build & grow
- July 10**      **Chef Series: Tapas at the Market** • Hope College Dining Services Chef Tom Hoover C.C.C., will be at the Holland Farmers' Market (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) to give a brief overview of tapas culture in Spain, and explain how to use fresh Farmers' Market ingredients to create a delicious assortment of bite-size tapas. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- July 10**      **Loud on the Lawn Music Experience** • A rockin' workshop/concert, on Harbor Island in Grand Haven, that gives kids the opportunity to experience all types of instruments...learning from the best! Live performances by Uncle Rico, Al Play, and Grand Hiatus. Free raffles, instrument give away, and an attempt to break a world record for the most people playing the kazoo at one time! Noon-5:00 PM. Kazoo registration at Noon. Free Admission. Hot dogs & pop available for purchase. 844-2138 [www.spread-the-music.org](http://www.spread-the-music.org)
- July 10**      **St. Mary's Festival** • Games, rides, inflatables, music, face painting, Bingo, raffles, pig roast/turkey dinner, white elephant sale, and more at St. Mary's Church, 406 E. Savidge St., Spring Lake. Noon-8:30 PM. Free Admission. Tickets may be purchased for games, rides & food. 842-1702 [www.stmaryschoolspringlake.com](http://www.stmaryschoolspringlake.com)
- July 10**      **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- July 11**      **Outdoor Church Service** • Dress casual and bring a lawn chair for an outdoor service at Twelfth Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 7581-12<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jenison. 9:30 AM. Free Admission. 457-1860
- July 11**      **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Wheels of Grand Haven Car Show** • Classic cars ranging from 1900 to present-day on display in downtown Grand Haven (Washington Ave. between Harbor Dr. & 3<sup>rd</sup> St.). Vehicle registration 9:00 AM-Noon. Viewing Noon-1:30 PM. Entertainment 1:30 PM-3:00 PM. Awards 3:00 PM. Parade 4:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators. 842-2880, [www.grandhavenjaycees.org](http://www.grandhavenjaycees.org)
- July 11**      **Closing Party: "Holland Collects-The Civil War"** • Visit the Holland Museum (31 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) on the final day of their exhibit of locally-collected Civil War memorabilia. Discuss the collection, view multimedia presentations, and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. 2:00 PM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$7 Adults, \$6 Seniors, \$4 Students, Free for 6 years and under, \$14 Family (2 Adults with children). 392-9084 [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org)
- July 11**      **Harbor Lights Homecoming** • Gospel music and celebration for all ages at Fair Haven Ministries (2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville), featuring local artists and musicians. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 662-2100 [www.fhmin.org](http://www.fhmin.org)
- July 11**      **Worship On the Waterfront~Singing Crusaders** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
- July 12**      **Storytime** • At younger at Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)

- July 12**      **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 [www.gumonline.org](http://www.gumonline.org)
- July 12**      **Jazz at the Zoo** • Jazz music at the John Ball Park Band Shell, 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Bring a blanket or chair. Free Admission. Donations accepted. [www.wmichjazz.org](http://www.wmichjazz.org)
- July 12**      **All Faiths Night at the Whitecaps** • Bring a church bulletin to the Whitecaps West Michigan Glass Block Ticket Office (Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park) and receive half off the price of box and reserved seats. 7:00 PM. \$5 Parking fee. 931-9930 [www.whitecaps-baseball.com](http://www.whitecaps-baseball.com)
- July 13**      **Tuesday Morning Movie Madness** • A family-friendly movie at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. 10:00 AM. Check website for movie title. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- July 13**      **Young Explorers: Incredible Insects** • Parents may drop off or join their youth (ages 5-7 years) at Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) to learn about our 6-legged friends. Crawl, splash, and search through different habitats for these special creatures. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- July 13**      **Tuesday Family Night** • Free hot dog supper at 6:00 PM followed by main stage events (Gospel music, Hip Hop, live theater, Zumba demonstrations, etc.), urban farm activities, basketball, sno cones, storytelling, and crafts at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 1239 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids. Fun for all ages! 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 241-1679 [www.fullercrc.org](http://www.fullercrc.org)
- July 13**      **Library Frisbee Golf** • Kids ages 12-17 years will form two-person teams and compete for prizes at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. 6:30 PM-8:00 PM. Refreshments served. Must register by July 12. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- July 13**      **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- July 13**      **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- July 13**      **Music on the Lawn~Chris Vallillo** • Folk music on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalociety.org)
- July 13**      **Rogue River Blues Series** • Bring a blanket and enjoy live music performed in Garden Park, located directly north of the Rockford Dam on Bridge St., along the river bend Squires St. shops in Rockford. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Inclement weather location is the Rotary Pavilion at the corner of Courtland & Squires Streets. 866-7764 [www.artsrockford.org](http://www.artsrockford.org)
- July 13**      **American Legion Band Concert** • In Kollen Park, on the west end of 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Van Raalte Ave. in Holland. Bring a chair or blanket. 7:30 PM. Free Admission. 405-6460 [www.hollandlegionband.org](http://www.hollandlegionband.org)
- July 14**      **Junior Naturalists: Bikes** • Kids ages 8-11 years may bring their bike to Roselle Park (1010 Grand River Dr. NE, Ada) and get safety tips, see if their helmet fits, practice skills on an obstacle course, and ride the trails. Parents/guardians welcome or drop off youth with a contact information form. 9:30 AM-Noon. Admission: \$5 per youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- July 14**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- July 14**      **Storytime at the Library** • Stories, songs, crafts, and fingerplays, for ages 3-5 years, at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. *Due to room capacity limitations, parents may be asked to wait outside the room while storytime is in progress.* 11:10 AM-11:40 AM. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)

- July 14**      **Neighbor Night** • An outdoor meal (served at 6:00 PM), followed by games and activities for children, with prizes, at Hope Christian Reformed Church, 3110 Barrett, Grandville. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 10¢ tickets for games and activities. 534-8901
- July 14**      **Sounds of Summer~Young Bands** • Local bands performing and a family-oriented activity in Pottawattomie Park, 1500 Comstock, Grand Haven Township. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 844-2138 www.spread-the-music.org
- July 14-19**    **Sparta Town & Country Days** • Music, entertainment, carnival, parade, arts and crafts show, food, museum open houses, sports tournaments, pet expo and dog show, truck and tractor pull, and more throughout Sparta. A schedule of events is available online. 291-2875 www.spartafair.com
- July 15**      **Crazy Quilting Circle** • Get together with other quilters and crafters for loads of laughter and fun at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$3 group fee. For adults and children 10 years and older. Machines optional. 997-8555 www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org
- July 15**      **Maranda Park Party** • Free games, rides, activities, snacks and entertainment for children, hosted by Maranda and WOOD TV8 at Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-2:00 PM. Free Admission. www.wotv.com
- July 15**      **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 www.downtownholland.com
- July 15**      **Skateboard Ministry** • Supervised skateboarding and in-line skating on a large assortment of ramps at Hillcrest Christian Reformed Church, 3617 Hillcrest St., Hudsonville. For children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older. Snacks and water provided. A medical release form must be signed by parent/guardian. 6:30 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled due to rain. Bring your helmet! 669-6556 www.hillcrestcrc.org
- July 15**      **Concert in the Park~Reclaim** • A variety of traditional, folk, contemporary, country, pop, and gospel music performed in Veterans Park, 254 W. Randall St., Coopersville. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 997-8555 www.cvillearts.blogspot.com
- July 15**      **Lamar Park Teen Nights** • Teens 13-18 years may join the City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department Teen Council for a night of Kickball in Lamar Park, 2561 Porter SW, Wyoming. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Wear appropriate clothing for the game. Free Admission. 530-3164 www.wyomingmi.gov
- July 15**      **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. www.visitgrandhaven.com
- July 15**      **Summer Concert Series~The Saline Fiddlers** • Outdoor concert at Veterans Memorial Park (3275 Central Blvd., Hudsonville) featuring a fantastic group of high school violinists who play nationally. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Rain location is the fire station next to the park. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 669-0200, 662-0900 www.hudsonville.org, www.hudsonvillechamber.com
- July 15**      **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~Alive & Well** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161 www.lowellchamber.org
- July 15-16**    **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 www.barnesandnoble.com
- July 15-17**    **Riverbend Steam & Gas Show** • Displays and demonstrations of vintage tractors, engines, steam engines, threshing machines, sawmill, corn shellers, and other farm machinery at the Lee Scholma Farm, 9853-56<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale. 1:00 PM-Dusk Thursday, 9:00 AM-Dusk Friday, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM Saturday. Admission: \$5, Free for children 14 and under, \$8 Weekend Pass. Concessions and crafts available for purchase. 878-0846 www.riverbendsteamandgas.I8.com
- July 16**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.poohscornerstore.com

- July 16**      **Summer Concert Series~The Macpodz** • Disco-bebop music performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- July 16**      **Movie in the Park** • Bring a lawn chair or blanket and picnic basket and enjoy a family-friendly movie shown on an inflatable 30' screen at John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr., East Grand Rapids. Hot dogs and snacks available for purchase. 9:20 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled/possibly rescheduled due to rain or high winds. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- July 16-17**    **Grand Haven Beach Vault** • Competitors of all ages and abilities will compete at Grand Haven City Beach (south of the Bil-Mar Restaurant). 9:00 AM-7:30 PM. Rain date is Sunday. Free Admission for spectators. 560-7204 [www.grandhavenbeachvault.com](http://www.grandhavenbeachvault.com)
- July 17**      **The Carve III: Fruit & Vegetable Carving Contest** • Amateurs and professionals show off their talent by carving sculptures out of fresh produce at the Holland Farmers Market (8<sup>th</sup> St. between Pine & Maple Ave., Holland). Spectators welcome. Carving tips from a Food Network Challenge Champion 9:00 AM. Competition begins 10:00 AM. Winners announced 1:00 PM. Carving the Honeydew class 2:00 PM. Kids may participate by assembling their own sculpture with pre-sliced produce 10:00 AM-1:00 PM. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- July 17**      **Vintage Holland Boat Show** • More than 30 classic boats, many of which were made and used in Holland, Michigan, dry docked in front of the Holland Museum (31 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St, Holland). 1:00 PM-5:00 PM. Free Admission. 392-9084 [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org)
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- July 17**      **Pig Roast** • Free food at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd SE, Grand Rapids. 6:00 PM (until the food is gone). Free Admission. 942-6320 [www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org](http://www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org)
- July 18**      **Outdoor Worship Service & Picnic** • An outdoor service and free picnic for the whole family at Bread of Life Lutheran Church, 3570 Baldwin St., Hudsonville, will help kick off the Vacation Bible School that begins Sunday evening. 9:30 AM-Noon. 797-9930 [www.breadoflifelc.org](http://www.breadoflifelc.org)
- July 18**      **Outdoor Worship Service** • Join Spring Valley Community Church in Allendale Township Park (Lake Michigan Dr. & 68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale) for an outdoor service. Seating available or bring your own chair. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 895-9150 [www.spring-valley-church.org](http://www.spring-valley-church.org)
- July 18**      **Ice Cream Sundays** • An outdoor concert of contemporary Christian music, along with free ice cream sundaes, on the lawn at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, O-60 Port Sheldon Rd., Grandville. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. In case of rain, concert will be in the gym. 457-1630 [www.trinity-crc.org](http://www.trinity-crc.org)
- July 18**      **Worship On the Waterfront~Sarah Schieber** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront)
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- July 19-24**    **Berlin Fair** • At the Berlin Fairgrounds, 2008 Berlin Fair Dr., Marne. A schedule of events is available online. Admission charged. 677-1140 [www.berlinfair.org](http://www.berlinfair.org)

- July 20**     **Junior Naturalists: Racquet Sports** • Tennis, badminton, and pickle ball are fun, if you have the right racquet! Kids ages 8-11 years old will learn the rules of the games and practice their racquet skills at Ada Park, 1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada. Parents/guardians welcome or drop off youth with a contact information form. Equipment will be provided, or bring your own. 9:30 AM-Noon. Admission: \$5 per youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- July 20**     **Tuesday Morning Movie Madness** • A family-friendly movie at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. 10:00 AM. Check website for movie title. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- July 20**     **Acoustic Jam Night** • Good music, good friends, and good times for the whole family at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Sign up to sing or play a song or just sit back and listen to some good ol' folk music. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission: \$4, Free for children 12 years and younger and for museum members. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- July 20**     **Monthly Storytelling Meeting** • Join the Story Spinners of Grand Rapids at Terraces of Maple Creek (2000-32<sup>nd</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids) for a time of storytelling, refreshments, and a storytelling educational segment. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. Open to the public of all ages. 299-9698 [www.storyspinners.net](http://www.storyspinners.net)
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- July 21**     **Discovery Days: Butterflies, Flying Flowers** • Pre-schoolers, accompanied by their parent or guardian, will dress up like a butterfly, learn what caterpillars need to grow up into a beautiful butterfly, and make a caterpillar craft in Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada). 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per child. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
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- July 21**     **Summer Spectacular** • A family carnival with, games, lunch, prizes, inflatables, and water games at Berkley Hills Wesleyan Church, 1670 Ball Ave. NE, Grand Rapids. Geared for children ages 2-13 years. 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Free Admission. 364-9505 [www.berkleyhills.org](http://www.berkleyhills.org)
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- July 21**     **SummerSalt Skills, Art & Craftsmanship** • Kids in grades kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will rotate through stations of hands-on activities at Jenison Christian Church, 7003-28<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hudsonville. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Admission: \$5. Pre-register online. 669-6540 [www.jcconline.net/summersalt](http://www.jcconline.net/summersalt)
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- July 22**      **Concert in the Park~Celtic Kilroy** • Family-oriented songs, sing-a-longs and stories, with audience participation, in Veteran's Park, 254 W. Randall St., Coopersville. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 997-8555 [www.cvillearts.blogspot.com](http://www.cvillearts.blogspot.com)
- July 22**      **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- July 22**      **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~River City Jazz Ensemble** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161 [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org)
- July 22-23**    **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- July 23**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- July 23**      **Kids Tunes at Noon~Carol Johnson** • A uniquely gifted singer-songwriter will perform in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 [www.caroljohnsonmusic.com](http://www.caroljohnsonmusic.com), [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- July 23**      **Summer Concert Series~James Reeser** • Traditional, electric, and Chicago-style Blues music performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- July 23-24**    **Taste of Grand Rapids** • An outdoor festival featuring over 20 area restaurants, and live entertainment with B93 and Fox 101 at John Ball Park (1300 W. Fulton, Grand Rapids). 3:00 PM-10:00 PM Friday, 11:00 AM-10:00 PM Saturday. Free Admission. Food tickets may be purchased for \$1. Tastes and samples range from 1-5 tickets. 336-4301
- July 23-24**    **Winnie-the-Pooh** • Master Arts Theatre (75-77<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Grand Rapids) Youth Summer Stock presents a play based on A.A. Milne's stories. 7:30 PM Friday, 10:00 AM & 7:30 PM Saturday. Admission: Mention this ad to purchase tickets for \$5. 455-1001 [www.masterarts.org/showyss.htm](http://www.masterarts.org/showyss.htm)
- July 24**      **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. [www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com) → services → build & grow

- July 24**      **Chef Series: Simply Fresh** • Chef Shelly Rash, of City Vu Bistro, will be at the Holland Farmers' Market (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) to demonstrate how to create great dishes using only fresh ingredients found at the market, and will create a blueberry bread pudding and sweet corn soup. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- July 24**      **Grand Haven Festival Community Picnic** • Music, entertainment and a picnic in Coast Guard Park, (address, Ferrysburg) Picnic 11:30 AM-4:00 PM. Entertainment tent with music by Soul'dOut beginning at 7:00 PM. Free Admission. Food available for purchase. 842-5803 [www.ferrysburg.org](http://www.ferrysburg.org)
- July 24**      **Kid 2 Kid Sale** • A large outdoor sale at the Wyoming Senior Center parking lot (2380 DeHoop SW, Wyoming) for kids to sell new or gently used toys, games, movies, sports equipment, etc., to other kids. 10:00 AM-1:00 PM. Seller check-in 9:00 AM. Free Admission for shoppers. Seller registration fee: \$5 for Wyoming resident children, \$7.50 for non-residents. Tables and chairs provided. Pre-registration required for sellers. 530-3164 [www.wyomingmi.gov](http://www.wyomingmi.gov)
- July 24**      **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- July 25**      **Worship On the Waterfront~Jim Novak** • An outdoor Sunday evening, worship experience, for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1 N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
- July 26**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.pooohscornerstore.com](http://www.pooohscornerstore.com)
- July 26**      **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 [www.gumonline.org](http://www.gumonline.org)
- July 26**      **Pizza & Pages** • Bring a book you have read and be ready to tell the group about it at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. Pizza will be served. For kids 12-17 year old. 6:30 PM-7:30 PM. Must register by July 23. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- July 26**      **Jazz at the Zoo** • Jazz music at the John Ball Park Band Shell, 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Bring a blanket or chair. Free Admission. Donations accepted. [www.wmichjazz.org](http://www.wmichjazz.org)
- July 26**      **All Faiths Night at the Whitecaps** • Bring a church bulletin to the Whitecaps West Michigan Glass Block Ticket Office (Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park) and receive half off the price of box and reserved seats. 7:00 PM. \$5 Parking fee. 931-9930 [www.whitecaps-baseball.com](http://www.whitecaps-baseball.com)
- July 26-31**      **Ottawa County Fair** • At the Ottawa County Fairgrounds, 1286 Ottawa Beach Rd., Holland. A schedule of events is available online. Admission charged. 399-4904 [www.ottawacountyfair.com](http://www.ottawacountyfair.com)
- July 27**      **Tuesday Morning Movie Madness** • A family-friendly movie at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. 10:00 AM. Check website for movie title. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- June 27**      **Tuesday Family Night** • Free hot dog supper at 6:00 PM followed by main stage events (Gospel music, Hip Hop, live theater, Zumba demonstrations, etc.), urban farm activities, basketball, sno cones, storytelling, and crafts at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 1239 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids. Fun for all ages! 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 241-1679 [www.fullercrc.org](http://www.fullercrc.org)
- July 27**      **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- July 27**      **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)

- July 27**      **After the Blues Series** • Bring a blanket and enjoy live music performed in Garden Park, located directly north of the Rockford Dam on Bridge St., along the river bend Squires St. shops in Rockford. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Inclement weather location is the Rotary Pavilion at the corner of Courtland & Squires Streets. 866-7764 [www.artsrockford.org](http://www.artsrockford.org)
- July 27**      **American Legion Band Concert** • In Kollen Park, on the west end of 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Van Raalte Ave. in Holland. Bring a chair or blanket. 7:30 PM. Free Admission. 405-6460 [www.hollandlegionband.org](http://www.hollandlegionband.org)
- July 28**      **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- July 28**      **Storytime at the Library** • Stories, songs, crafts, and fingerplays, for ages 3-5 years, at the Georgetown Township Public Library, 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison. *Due to room capacity limitations, parents may be asked to wait outside the room while storytime is in progress.* 11:10 AM-11:40 AM. Free Admission. 457-9620 [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)
- July 28**      **Christmas in July** • Family-oriented activities, with a Christmas theme, at Christ Memorial Reformed Church, 595 Graafschap Rd., Holland. For families with kids entering pre-school through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Additional details to be announced. 796-3348 [www.christmemorial.org](http://www.christmemorial.org)
- July 28**      **Kids Games Family Night** • A night of fun for the whole family hosted by area churches and businesses. Rotate through stations of food, fun, and learning at the Hudsonville Fairgrounds, 5235 Park St., Hudsonville. Basic school supplies will be given out at the conclusion of the evening. 5:00 PM-8:00 PM. Pre-registration is encouraged. Free Admission. 669-0730, 669-1040 [www.kidsgameswestmi.com](http://www.kidsgameswestmi.com)
- July 28**      **Dog Days** • Free hot dogs, chips and drink (coffee, lemonade, water) at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 6:00 PM (until the dogs run away!). Free Admission. 942-6320 [www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org](http://www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org)
- July 28**      **Sounds of Summer~Steel Doin' It** • Steel Drum music and a family-oriented activity in Pottawattomic Park, 1500 Comstock, Grand Haven Township. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 844-2138 [www.spread-the-music.org](http://www.spread-the-music.org)
- July 29**      **Crazy Quilting Circle** • Get together with other quilters and crafters for loads of laughter and fun at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$3 group fee. For adults and children 10 years and older. Machines optional. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- July 29**      **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 [www.downtownholland.com](http://www.downtownholland.com)
- July 29**      **Skateboard Ministry** • Supervised skateboarding and in-line skating on a large assortment of ramps at Hillcrest Christian Reformed Church, 3617 Hillcrest St., Hudsonville. For children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older. Snacks and water provided. A medical release form must be signed by parent/guardian. 6:30 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled due to rain. Bring your helmet! 669-6556 [www.hillcrestcrc.org](http://www.hillcrestcrc.org)
- July 29**      **Concert in the Park~Kwik Fix** • Classic rock, hard rock, rock-n-roll, and a little bit of country music performed in Veteran's Park, 254 W. Randall St., Coopersville. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 997-8555 [www.cvillearts.blogspot.com](http://www.cvillearts.blogspot.com)
- July 29**      **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- July 29**      **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~The Lynn Thompson Band** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161 [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org)
- July 29-30**      **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)

- July 29-Aug. 1** **Discover Hudsonville Days** • Tent sales, craft show, classic car show, kids' activities, and more throughout the city of Hudsonville and at the downtown plaza (near Chicago Dr. and 36<sup>th</sup> Ave.). 8:00 AM Thursday-7:00 PM Sunday. Free Admission. 669-0200 [www.hudsonvilleplaza.com](http://www.hudsonvilleplaza.com)
- July 30** **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- July 30** **Music on the Lawn~The Nowhere Band** • Beatles music on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 6:30 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalsociety.org)
- July 30** **Summer Concert Series~Delilah DeWylde & the Lost Boys** • Self penned songs mixed with old county hits performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- July 30** **Movie in the Park** • Bring a lawn chair or blanket and picnic basket and enjoy a family-friendly movie shown on an inflatable 30' screen at John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr., East Grand Rapids. Hot dogs and snacks available for purchase. 9:10 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled/possibly rescheduled due to rain or high winds. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- July 30-31** **Winnie-the-Pooh** • Master Arts Theatre (75-77<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Grand Rapids) Youth Summer Stock presents a play based on A.A. Milne's stories. 7:30 PM Friday, 10:00 AM & 7:30 PM Saturday. Admission: Mention this ad to purchase \$5 tickets. 455-1001 [www.masterarts.org/showyss.htm](http://www.masterarts.org/showyss.htm)
- July 30-Aug. 1** **Byron Days Festival** • Fun for the whole family in Bicentennial Park, 8085 Byron Center Ave., Byron Center. Activities include Byron's Got Talent, Battle of the Bands, parade, games, kids activities, 4H dog show, car show, Farmers' Market, craft fair, BBQ chicken dinner, horse pull, sports tournaments, fireworks, and more. 217-4104 [www.byrondays.org](http://www.byrondays.org)
- July 30-Aug. 8** **Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival** • An annual event honoring the United States Coast Guard. Parades, waterfront entertainment, children's activities, community picnic, arts & crafts show, carnival, fireworks, and more throughout Grand Haven. Schedule of events available online. 1-888-207-2434 [www.coastguardfest.org](http://www.coastguardfest.org)
- July 31** **Cedar Springs' Summer Car Show** • Cars, trucks, motorcycles, and boats in Morley Park, 60 Cedar St., Cedar Springs. 8:00 AM-2:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators. 696-3335
- July 31** **Chef Series: Herbalicious** • Tami Elhart, owner of Tamara's Cooking Classes, will be at the Holland Farmers' Market (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) to show how to incorporate fresh herbs into everyday summer dishes. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- July 31** **Summer Carnival** • Fun activities for the whole family including a petting zoo, pony rides, games, and lunch at Baldwin Street Christian Reformed Church, 2101 Baldwin St., Jenison. It's all free! Activities are geared for children 12 years and younger. 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain date: August 14. 457-9440 [www.baldwinstreetcrc.org](http://www.baldwinstreetcrc.org)
- July 31** **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- August 1** **Worship On the Waterfront~Phil Stacey** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
- August 2** **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
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- August 2**     **All Faiths Night at the Whitecaps** • Bring a church bulletin to the Whitecaps West Michigan Glass Block Ticket Office (Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park) and receive half off the price of box and reserved seats. 7:00 PM. \$ 5 Parking fee. 931-9930 [www.whitecaps-baseball.com](http://www.whitecaps-baseball.com)
- August 3**     **Acoustic Jam Night** • Good music, good friends, and good times for the whole family at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Sign up to sing or play a song or just sit back and listen to some good ol' folk music. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission: \$4, Free for children 12 years and younger and for museum members. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
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- Tues.-Sat.,  
August 3-  
Sept. 30**     **Quilts & Their Stories Quilt Show** • Over 130 quilts, and stories of the people behind them, on display at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$4 (Discounts may apply for seniors, groups, and students.) 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 4**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 4**     **SummerSalt Pool Party** • Pool fun for the whole family. Hosted by Jenison Christian Church. Location to be determined. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Admission: \$5. Pre-register online. 669-6540 [www.jconline.net/summersalt](http://www.jconline.net/summersalt)
- August 4**     **Sounds of Summer~Dave & Dave Show** • A variety of music and a family-oriented activity in Pottawattomie Park, 1500 Comstock, Grand Haven Township. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 844-2138 [www.spread-the-music.org](http://www.spread-the-music.org)
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- August 5**     **WGVU Dollar Day at the Zoo** • Pick up a coupon at any participating Wendy's and get into John Ball Zoo (1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids) for \$1 per person. (Admission for a dollar is good only with a coupon!) 9:00 AM-5:00 PM [www.johnballzoosociety.org](http://www.johnballzoosociety.org)
- August 5**     **Tea Party** • Dress up with hats and gloves, bring a favorite dolly and friend, and sample tea, scones, and jams at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. There will be door prizes and silent auction items too. 1:00 PM. Admission: \$6 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$4 Children. Reservations are appreciated. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)

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- August 5**     **Concert in the Park~Front Porch Pickin'** • A variety of acoustic folk, bluegrass, country, and old gospel music in Veteran's Park, 254 W. Randall St., Coopersville. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 997-8555  
www.cvillearts.blogspot.com
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- August 6**     **Free First Friday** • Free admission at the Coopersville Farm Museum (375 Main St., Coopersville) includes quilt, tractor, and art exhibits, an interactive area for kids, and other exhibits the whole family will enjoy. 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. 997-8555 www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org
- August 6**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.pooohcornerstore.com
- August 6**     **Kids Tunes at Noon~Harpebeat! Harpebeat!** • A unique combination of harp and percussion instruments will entertain children in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 www.harpebeat.com, www.cityofholland.com
- August 6**     **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Algoma Fire Department, 10820 Edgerton Ave., Rockford. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 www.devoschildrens.org/safekids
- August 6**     **Summer Concert Series~Creolization** • A high-energy, improvisational, Zydeco-influenced band will perform in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130  
www.cityofholland.com
- August 7**     **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Tractor Show** • Tractors on display at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Tractors of any and all colors, age, make or model welcome, but the featured tractor is Allis-Chalmers. 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Free Admission. (Bring in tractors to show 4:00 PM-8:00 PM on the 6<sup>th</sup>.) 997-8555 www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org
- August 7**     **Art in the Park** • Over 300 fine artists and artisans will display their original work throughout Centennial Park, 250 Central Ave., in Holland. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. Rain or shine. Free Admission. 395-3278  
www.hollandfriendsofart.com
- August 7**     **First Saturday for Kids** • Storytime and craft activities with booksellers or reading/signing with published authors at Literary Life Bookstore & More, Inc., 758 Wealthy St. SE, Grand Rapids. 11:00 AM-Noon. Free Admission. See website for specific schedule. 458-8418 www.literarylifebokstore.com
- August 7**     **Cappon House Ice Cream Social** • Visit the Cappon House (229 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Holland), for a festive day on the lawn complete with ice cream, croquet and badminton, and tour the restored home of Holland's first mayor, Isaac Cappon. 1:00 PM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$7 Adults, \$6 Seniors, \$4 Students, Free for 6 years and under, \$14 Family (2 Adults with children). 392-9084 www.hollandmuseum.org

- August 7**     **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019  
www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com
- August 8**     **In-Door Tent Meeting** • Guest speaker, Tom Harmon will be at South Blendon Reformed Church, 4817 Port Sheldon Rd., Hudsonville. 9:30 AM, 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM. Free Dinner 5:30 PM. Free Admission. 669-9872 www.southblendon.org
- August 8**     **Harbor Lights Homecoming** • Gospel music and celebration for all ages at Fair Haven Ministries (2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville), featuring local artists and musicians. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 662-2100  
www.fhmin.org
- August 8**     **Worship On the Waterfront~Chris Hansen & the Horns of Power** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600  
www.worshiponthewaterfront.org
- August 9**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.pooohscornerstore.com
- August 9**     **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 www.gumonline.org
- August 9**     **Jazz at the Zoo** • Jazz music at the John Ball Park Band Shell, 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Bring a blanket or chair. Free Admission. Donations accepted. www.wmichjazz.org
- August 9-14**   **Kent County Youth Fair** • Games, rides, 4-H displays and competitions, plus exhibitors and tack vendors at the Kent County Fairgrounds, 225 S. Hudson St., Lowell. A schedule of events is available online. Admission charged. 897-6050 www.kcfg.org
- August 9-14**   **Coopersville Summerfest 2010** • A full week of family-friendly activities throughout Coopersville. A schedule of events is available at the Chamber of Commerce (289 Danforth St., Coopersville) beginning in July. 997-5164 www.coopersville.com
- August 10**    **Tuesday Family Night** • Free hot dog supper at 6:00 PM followed by main stage events (Gospel music, Hip Hop, live theater, Zumba demonstrations, etc.), urban farm activities, basketball, sno cones, storytelling, and crafts at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 1239 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids. Fun for all ages! 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 241-1679 www.fullercrc.org
- August 10**    **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 www.eastgr.org
- August 10**    **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. www.visitgrandhaven.com
- August 10**    **Music on the Lawn~Adams Family Band** • Folk and minstrel music on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346  
www.adahistoricalsociety.org
- August 10**    **After the Blues Series** • Bring a blanket and enjoy live music performed in Garden Park, located directly north of the Rockford Dam on Bridge St., along the river bend Squires St. shops in Rockford. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Inclement weather location is the Rotary Pavilion at the corner of Courtland & Squires Streets. 866-7764 www.artsrockford.org
- August 10**    **American Legion Band Concert** • In Kollen Park, on the west end of 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Van Raalte Ave. in Holland. Bring a chair or blanket. 7:30 PM. Free Admission. 405-6460 www.hollandlegionband.org

- August 11**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 11**     **Summerfest Kids Day** • Games and crafts (for ages 1-10 years) are added, on this special day, to the already exciting kids area at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$2, Free for children 3 years and younger. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 11**     **Powder Puff Tractor Games** • Women and teen girls may compete against the Coopersville Farm Museum's lawn tractor in a tricky obstacle course to win a trophy (375 Main St., Coopersville). 5:00 PM. (Must register before 5:00 PM to compete.) Free Admission. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 11-14**   **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Tractor Show** • Tractors on display at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Tractors of any and all colors, age, make or model welcome, but the featured tractor is Allis-Chalmers. 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. Free Admission. (Register to show a tractor by calling in advance.) 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 12**     **Crazy Quilting Circle** • Get together with other quilters and crafters for loads of laughter and fun at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$3 group fee. For adults and children 10 years and older. Machines optional. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 12**     **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Cutlerville Fire Department, 11-68<sup>th</sup> St., Cutlerville. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- August 12**     **Folk Dance/Quilt Block Class** • There are dances and quilt patterns by the same name. With this class at the Coopersville Farm Museum (375 Main St., Coopersville) you will learn both. All ages welcome! Bring along some scrap fabric in a variety of patterns. 1:00 PM (Dance for 15 minutes, quilt class for one hour). Admission: \$4. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 12**     **Boys' & Men's Garden Tractor Obstacle Course** • Men and boys (ages 8 years and older) will compete with others in their age group, at the Coopersville Farm Museum (375 Main St., Coopersville), to win the skilled driving trophy. 5:00 PM. Free Admission. Register upon arrival. Must provide your own garden tractor. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 12**     **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections at the Wyoming Fire Department, 1500 Burton, Wyoming. Appointment required. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. 5:00 PM-8:00 PM. 391-1591 [www.devoschildrens.org/safekids](http://www.devoschildrens.org/safekids)
- August 12**     **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 [www.downtownholland.com](http://www.downtownholland.com)
- August 12**     **Skateboard Ministry** • Supervised skateboarding and in-line skating on a large assortment of ramps at Hillcrest Christian Reformed Church, 3617 Hillcrest St., Hudsonville. For children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older. Snacks and water provided. A medical release form must be signed by parent/guardian. 6:30 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled due to rain. Bring your helmet! 669-6556 [www.hillcrestcrc.org](http://www.hillcrestcrc.org)
- August 12**     **Lamar Park Teen Nights** • Teens 13-18 years may join the City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department Teen Council for a night of Water Battle in Lamar Park, 2561 Porter SW, Wyoming. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Wear appropriate clothing for the game. Free Admission. 530-3164 [www.wyomingmi.gov](http://www.wyomingmi.gov)
- August 12**     **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- August 12-13**   **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- August 13**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)

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- August 13**     **Summer Concert Series~StarFarm** • 80s songs performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- August 13**     **Movie in the Park** • Bring a lawn chair or blanket and picnic basket and enjoy a family-friendly movie shown on an inflatable 30' screen at John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr., East Grand Rapids. Hot dogs and snacks available for purchase. 8:50 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled/possibly rescheduled due to rain or high winds. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)
- August 13-14**   **Del Shannon Car Show** • Free car cruise (approx. 400 cars) and fireworks on Friday night. Approximately 800 cars, from every decade, on display on Main St. in Coopersville on Saturday, along with food, music, and fun. Vehicle registration 7:00 AM-Noon. Awards & trophies 3:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators. 997-8555 [www.delshannoncarshow.com](http://www.delshannoncarshow.com)
- August 14**     **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mini-Golf for MS** • Enjoy a game of mini-golf at Alpine Avenue Golf Center, 6320 Alpine Ave. NW, Comstock Park, and putt for the Mary J. Szczepanski "Never Give Up" MS Scholarship Foundation. 9:30 AM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$5 Adults, \$2.50 Children. 791-2069 [www.msscholarship.org](http://www.msscholarship.org)
- August 14**     **Celtic Fest** • Celtic musicians, dancers, demonstrations, storytelling, petting zoo, historical reenactments, and more throughout downtown Rockford. Come dressed in your Celtic and renaissance period clothing if you wish. 10:00 AM-9:00 PM. Free Admission. [www.therockfordnetwork.com](http://www.therockfordnetwork.com), [www.artsrockford.org](http://www.artsrockford.org)
- August 14**     **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. [www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com) → services → build & grow
- August 14**     **Community Wide Summer Fun Day** • Family fun with free hot dogs and pop, kids games and activities, flea market, hot rod show, dessert competition and chili cook-off at First Jenison Christian Reformed Church, 8360 Cottonwood Dr., Jenison. 10:00 AM-2:00 PM. 457-9670 [www.firstjenisoncrc.com](http://www.firstjenisoncrc.com)
- August 14**     **Crusader Car & Motorcycle Show** • Antique, vintage and modified cars, trucks, motorcycles, mopeds, and scooters on display at Crusader Inc., 2620 Remico SW, Wyoming. Vehicle registration 11:00 AM. Show Noon-6:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators. 247-3868 [www.crusadermartialarts.net](http://www.crusadermartialarts.net)
- August 14**     **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019 [www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com](http://www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com)
- August 14**     **North Blendon Community Block Party** • Food, games, animals, and fun for the whole family at North Blendon Christian Reformed Church, 7284 Taylor St., Hudsonville (hosted by North Blendon Reformed & Christian Reformed Churches). 4:00 PM-7:00 PM. Free Admission. 895-6434 [www.nbcrc.org](http://www.nbcrc.org)
- August 15**     **Outdoor Worship Service** • Join Spring Valley Community Church in Allendale Township Park (Lake Michigan Dr. & 68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale) for an outdoor service. Seating available or bring your own chair. 10:00 AM. Free Admission. 895-9150 [www.spring-valley-church.org](http://www.spring-valley-church.org)
- August 15**     **Worship On the Waterfront~Grant Norsworthy** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
- August 16**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 16**     **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 [www.gumonline.org](http://www.gumonline.org)
- August 16**     **Jazz at the Zoo** • Jazz music at the John Ball Park Band Shell, 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Bring a blanket or chair. Free Admission. Donations accepted. [www.wmichjazz.org](http://www.wmichjazz.org)

- August 16**     **All Faiths Night at the Whitecaps** • Bring a church bulletin to the Whitecaps West Michigan Glass Block Ticket Office (Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park) and receive half off the price of box and reserved seats. 7:00 PM. \$5 Parking fee. 931-9930 [www.whitecaps-baseball.com](http://www.whitecaps-baseball.com)
- August 17**     **Young Explorers: Rock Hounds** • Parents may drop off or join their youth (ages 5-7 years) at Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) to become a rock hound as they investigate all different sizes and types of rocks and fossils. Kids may start their own rock collection and make a pet rock. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per Youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- August 17**     **Acoustic Jam Night** • Good music, good friends, and good times for the whole family at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. Sign up to sing or play a song or just sit back and listen to some good ol' folk music. 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission: \$4, Free for children 12 years and younger and for museum members. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 17**     **Monthly Storytelling Meeting** • Join the Story Spinners of Grand Rapids at Terraces of Maple Creek (2000-32<sup>nd</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids) for a time of storytelling, refreshments, and a storytelling educational segment. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. Open to the public of all ages. 299-9698 [www.storyspinners.net](http://www.storyspinners.net)
- August 17**     **Tuesday Family Night** • Free hot dog supper at 6:00 PM followed by main stage events (Gospel music, Hip Hop, live theater, Zumba demonstrations, etc.), urban farm activities, basketball, sno cones, storytelling, and crafts at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 1239 Fuller Ave. SE, Grand Rapids. Fun for all ages! 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 241-1679 [www.fullercrc.org](http://www.fullercrc.org)
- August 17**     **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- August 17**     **Music on the Lawn~Crossroads Country Band** • Country and gospel music on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalsociety.org)
- August 17**     **American Legion Band Concert** • In Kollen Park, on the west end of 10<sup>th</sup> St. and Van Raalte Ave. in Holland. Bring a chair or blanket. 7:30 PM. Free Admission. 405-6460 [www.hollandlegionband.org](http://www.hollandlegionband.org)
- August 18**     **Discovery Days: Water Fun** • Pre-schoolers, accompanied by their parent or guardian, will cool off with water games, see what lives in the pond in Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada), and create a water color painting. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$4 per child. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- August 18**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 18**     **Summer Spectacular** • A family carnival with games, lunch, prizes, inflatables, and water games at Berkley Hills Wesleyan Church, 1670 Ball Ave. NE, Grand Rapids. Geared for children ages 2-13 years. 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Free Admission. 364-9505 [www.berkleyhills.org](http://www.berkleyhills.org)
- August 18**     **Back to School** • Family-oriented activities at Christ Memorial Reformed Church, 595 Graafschap Rd., Holland. For families with kids entering pre-school through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Additional details to be announced. 796-3348 [www.christmemorial.org](http://www.christmemorial.org)
- August 18**     **Neighbor Night** • An outdoor meal (served at 6:00 PM), followed by games and activities for children, with prizes, at Hope Christian Reformed Church, 3110 Barrett, Grandville. 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 10¢ tickets for games and activities. 534-8901
- August 18**     **Block Party: Classic & Antique Auto Show** • Antique, classic, restored, muscle, and modified cars and trucks on display at Twelfth Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 7581-12<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jenison. Free hot dogs, root beer floats and activities for the whole family. Dinner served 6:00 PM-7:00 PM., activities until 8:30 PM. Free Admission. 457-1860

- August 19**     **Junior Naturalists: Rocks & Fossils** • Kids ages 8-11 years old will learn how rocks are formed from the forces of heat, water, and pressure deep in the Earth. Parents/guardians are welcome or drop off the youth, with a contact information form, at Ada Park (1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada) where they will make their own rock collection and search for quartz crystals. 9:30 AM-Noon. Admission: \$5 per youth. Pre-registration requested. 676-0520
- August 19**     **Crazy Quilting Circle** • Get together with other quilters and crafters for loads of laughter and fun at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$3 group fee. For adults and children 10 years and older. Machines optional. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)
- August 19**     **Pere Marquette Engine Ice Cream Social & Train Tour** • An old fashioned ice cream social at Chinook Pier Park, North Harbor, Grand Haven. Activities include touring the Pere Marquette 1223 locomotive. Tour the engine 4:00 PM-8:00 PM, ice cream social 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Free Admission. 842-0700 [www.tri-citiesmuseum.org](http://www.tri-citiesmuseum.org)
- August 19**     **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187 [www.downtownholland.com](http://www.downtownholland.com)
- August 19**     **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- August 19**     **Summer Concert Series~Steppin Out** • Outdoor concert at Veterans Memorial Park (3275 Central Blvd., Hudsonville) featuring great American Classics. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Rain location is the fire station next to the park. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. 669-0200, 662-0900 [www.hudsonville.org](http://www.hudsonville.org), [www.hudsonvillechamber.com](http://www.hudsonvillechamber.com)
- August 19**     **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~Dewsouth** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161 [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org)
- August 19-20**   **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com)
- August 20**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 20**     **Kids Tunes at Noon~Guy Louis** • The creator and performer of Chautauqua Express Musical will perform in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. Noon-1:00 PM. Free Admission. Rain location is Holland Civic Center (150 West 8<sup>th</sup> St.). 355-1130 [www.guylouis.com](http://www.guylouis.com), [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- August 20**     **Summer Concert Series~Last Call Band** • A mix of Classic Rock, Folk, Blues, and Country music performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com)
- August 21**     **The Salsa Showdown: Salsa Making Contest** • Contestants will be challenged to recreate their best salsa recipe using fresh ingredients at the Holland Farmers Market (8<sup>th</sup> St. between Pine & Maple Ave., Holland). Salsa preparation 9:00 AM-11:00 AM. Salsa tasting 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Jalapeno eating contest at Noon (\$10 fee for participants). Salsa winners announced 1:30 PM. Free admission for spectators. \$ to taste. 355-1138 [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com)
- August 21**     **Art on the Riverfront** • A juried art show featuring over 40 local and regional artists at the City Marina (Harbor & Washington St.) in Grand Haven. 10:00 AM-6:00 PM. [www.ghaac.org](http://www.ghaac.org), [www.visitgrandhaven.com](http://www.visitgrandhaven.com)
- August 21**     **Sunbonnet Ice Cream Social** • A hat decorating contest (bring a decorated hat with you), games, ice cream and goodies at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 1:00 PM. All ages welcome! Admission: \$6 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$4 Children under 12 years. 997-8555 [www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org](http://www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org)

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www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com
- August 21**     **Movie in the Park** • A family-oriented movie in Lamar Park, 2561 Porter SW, Wyoming. Pack a picnic and arrive early to enjoy the splash pad, playground, disc golf course and sports courts throughout the park. 9:00 PM. Free Admission. 530-3164 www.wyomingmi.gov
- August 22**     **Ice Cream Sundays** • An outdoor concert of contemporary Christian music, along with free ice cream sundaes, on the lawn at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, O-60 Port Sheldon Rd., Grandville. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM. Free Admission. In case of rain, concert will be in the gym. 457-1630  
www.trinity-crc.org
- August 22**     **Worship On the Waterfront~Matt Maher** • An outdoor, Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 www.worshiponthewaterfront.org
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- August 23**     **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 www.gumonline.org
- August 23-28**   **Hudsonville Community Fair** • Carnival rides, 4-H activities, food, entertainment, and fun at the Hudsonville Fair Grounds, 5235 Park St., Hudsonville. A schedule of events is available online. Admission charged. 669-1630 www.hudsonville-fair.com
- August 24**     **2010 Summer Concert Series** • Bring your sunglasses, picnic basket, and lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music on the shores of Reeds Lake, in John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids. 7:00 PM. Concerts will be cancelled due to severe weather. Free Admission. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 www.eastgr.org
- August 24**     **Tuesdays in the Park** • Local musicians playing in Central Park (400 block of Washington Ave.) in Grand Haven. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. www.visitgrandhaven.com
- August 24**     **Music on the Lawn~Apple Country Dulcimers** • Acoustic string music on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346  
www.adahistoricalsociety.org
- August 25**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.poohscornerstore.com
- August 25**     **Dog Days** • Free hot dogs, chips and drink (coffee, lemonade, water) at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 6:00 PM (until the dogs run away!). Free Admission. 942-6320  
www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org
- August 26**     **Crazy Quilting Circle** • Get together with other quilters and crafters for loads of laughter and fun at the Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville. 10:00 AM-Noon. Admission: \$3 group fee. For adults and children 10 years and older. Machines optional. 997-8555 www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org
- August 26**     **2010 Car Seat Inspection Station** • Free car seat inspections done on a first-come, first-served basis at the Grand Rapids Fire Department, 2541 Kalamazoo St., Grand Rapids. Drive around to the back of the station. A limited number of replacement car seats are available to those who qualify. Noon-3:30 PM. 391-7233  
www.devoschildrens.org/safekids
- August 26**     **Folk Dance/Quilt Block Class** • There are dances and quilt patterns by the same name. With this class at the Coopersville Farm Museum (375 Main St., Coopersville) you will learn both. All ages welcome! Call to get fabric requirements. 1:00 PM (Dance for 15 minutes, quilt class for one hour). Admission: \$4. 997-8555  
www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org

- August 26**     **Street Performer Series** • The streets of downtown Holland will be filled with free performances by musicians, break dancers, face painters, balloon artists, jugglers, theatrical troupes, stilt walkers, magicians, caricature artists, etc. every Thursday through August 26. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. 998-6187  
www.downtownholland.com
- August 26**     **Thursdays at the Point** • Concert in Millpoint Park (at the end of School St.) in Spring Lake. Bring a blanket or chair. 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission and popcorn. www.visitgrandhaven.com
- August 26**     **Lowell Sizzlin' Summer Concert~Argentucky Blues Band** • Live music along the Flat River at the Riverwalk Plaza in downtown historic Lowell. Bleacher seating available or bring a blanket or chair. Wheelchair accessible. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Free Admission and parking. 897-8545, 897-9161  
www.lowellchamber.org
- August 26-27**   **My Grown-Up and Me Storytime** • A story and craft at Barnes & Noble in Woodland Mall, 3195-28<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 940-0820 www.barnesandnoble.com
- August 27**     **Storytime** • At Pooh's Corner Children's Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 www.pooohscornerstore.com
- August 27**     **Summer Concert Series~Tejano Sound Band** • Tejano music performed in Kollen Park, 240 Kollen Park Dr., Holland. 6:30 PM-8:30 PM. Free Admission. 355-1130 www.cityofholland.com
- August 27**     **Movie in the Park** • Bring a lawn chair or blanket and picnic basket and enjoy a family-friendly movie shown on an inflatable 30' screen at John Collins Park, 650 Lakeside Dr., East Grand Rapids. Hot dogs and snacks available for purchase. 8:30 PM. Free Admission. Cancelled/possibly rescheduled due to rain or high winds. 940-4800 ext. 300, 949-1750 www.eastgr.org
- Aug. 27-28**     **28<sup>th</sup> Street Metro Cruise** • Miles and miles of cool cars on 28<sup>th</sup> Street. View hot rods, muscle, antique and custom cars as they cruise 28<sup>th</sup> St. and are on display at area businesses in Grandville, Wyoming, Grand Rapids, Kentwood, and Cascade. All types of vehicles welcome! Activities include concerts, auto parts swap meet, and much more! Activities begin Friday evening and run all day Saturday. A schedule of events is available online. 531-5990 www.28thstreetmetrocrui.se.com
- August 28**     **Build & Grow** • Kids (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) may build a free wooden project at any Grand Rapids area Lowe's store. Each participant receives an apron, goggles, a project themed patch, and a certification of merit upon completion of their project. 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. Pre-registration is required online. Check website for changes in schedule. Registration is limited. Free Admission. www.lowes.com → services → build & grow
- August 28**     **Food Truck** • Food items (mostly produce) will be given out at New Horizons Ministry Center, 2660 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 1:00 PM (until supply is gone). Free Admission. Bring a box to carry produce items home. 942-6320 www.newhorizonsministrycenter.org
- August 28**     **Game Saturday** • Learn a new game or play a favorite at Creative Learning Toys, Tools & Experiences, 1200 E. Paris SE, Grand Rapids. Drop in 2:00 PM-6:00 PM. Free Admission. 975-9019  
www.creativelearningtoysandtools.com
- August 28**     **Bayou Picnic** • Celebrate the end of summer with free food, games and entertainment in East Grand River Park, 1601 Franklin Ave., Grand Haven. 4:30 PM-7:00 PM. Free Admission. 842-3210  
www.grandhaven.org
- August 29**     **Closing Party: "Smile"** • Visit the Holland Museum (31 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Holland) on the final day of their dynamic assemblage of images and stories representing Holland's diverse cultural past, present, and future. Discuss the exhibit, view multimedia presentations, and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. 2:00 PM-4:00 PM. Admission: \$7 Adults, \$6 Seniors, \$4 Students, Free for 6 years and under, \$14 Family (2 Adults with children). 392-9084 www.hollandmuseum.org
- August 29**     **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show** • A fun event for the whole family! Games for the kids and hundreds of classic cars, street rods, street machines, motorcycles, trucks and special interest vehicles at Resurrection Life Church, 5100 Ivanrest Ave. SW, Grandville. 5:00 PM. Free Admission for spectators and for children's games. Food available for purchase. 249-3703 www.reslife.org

- August 29**     **Worship On the Waterfront~Jeremy Simpson** • An outdoor ,Sunday evening, worship experience for all ages at Waterfront Stadium (1N. Harbor) in Grand Haven. Rain or shine. Folding chairs welcome. 7:30 PM-8:45 PM. Free Admission. Free-will offering. 842-6600 [www.worshiponthewaterfront.org](http://www.worshiponthewaterfront.org)
- August 30**     **Storytime** • At Pooh’s Corner Children’s Bookstore in Breton Village Shopping Center, 1830 Breton Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. 10:30 AM. Free Admission. 942-9887 [www.poohscornerstore.com](http://www.poohscornerstore.com)
- August 30**     **Monday Movie Matinee** • Cool off and relax with a family-friendly movie in the sanctuary of Georgetown United Methodist Church, 2766 Baldwin St., Jenison. 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. Children 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bring a snack or purchase one from the snack shop. Look online for weekly movie titles. Free Admission. 669-0730 [www.gumonline.org](http://www.gumonline.org)
- August 30**     **KidZone Blitz** • Giant inflatables, hayride, face painting, fire trucks, dinner, snacks, and more at Chapel Pointe, 3350 Baldwin St., Hudsonville. For parents and children 2 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. 5:30 PM. Free Admission. 662-8801 [www.chapel-pointe.org](http://www.chapel-pointe.org)
- August 30**     **All Faiths Night at the Whitecaps** • Bring a church bulletin to the Whitecaps West Michigan Glass Block Ticket Office (Fifth Third Ballpark, 4500 West River Dr., Comstock Park) and receive half off the price of box and reserved seats. 7:00 PM. \$5 Parking fee. 931-9930 [www.whitecaps-baseball.com](http://www.whitecaps-baseball.com)
- August 31**     **Music on the Lawn~Java Jive** • Musical favorites in a swinging style on the lawn of Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley St., Ada. 7:00 PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your dancing shoes. In case of rain, music will be moved into barn. Free Admission. Donations accepted. 676-9346 [www.adahistoricalsociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalsociety.org)

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**Georgetown Township Public Library • 1525 Baldwin St., Jenison • 457-9620 • [www.gtpl.org](http://www.gtpl.org)**  
*Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM-8:55 PM, Friday 9:00 AM-4:55 PM, Saturday 9:00 AM-12:55 PM*

**Make a Splash @ Your Library! Summer Reading Program Sign-up: June 14-July 17, 2010**  
*(Register for the summer reading program at the library between June 14-18 and you will be eligible to enter the “Early Bird” prize drawing!)*

**Stop in the library or check out the website for a schedule of special summer events.**

**Summer Reading Kick-off Event for the Whole Family ~ Wednesday, June 16 11:00 AM-11:45 AM**  
*International Bubbleologist, Geoffrey “Merlin” Akins is the Midwest’s premier bubble performer. His captivating and hilarious “Bubble Wonders Show” is filled with all the amazing things you can do with ordinary bubbles.*

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**Hudsonville Fair Read & Win Program**  
***Encouraging children ages 2-18 years old to read!***

- ✓ Stop by the Gary Byker Memorial Library, 3338 Van Buren St., Hudsonville, or the Hudsonville Fairgrounds office, 5235 Park St., Hudsonville, to pick up a “Read & Win Form”. Forms are also available online at [www.hudsonville-fair.com](http://www.hudsonville-fair.com).
- ✓ Use the “Read & Win Form” to record the books you read between June 1 and August 24.
- ✓ Bring the completed “Read & Win Form” to the Hudsonville Community Fairgrounds office, 5235 Park St., Hudsonville, between Noon & 6:00 PM on Tuesday, August 24 to receive 1 carnival ride ticket for every 90 minutes you read. *(limit 5 tickets per participant)*
- ✓ All “Read & Win Forms” will also be placed into a grand prize drawing that will take place at the Hudsonville Fair, at approximately 8:00 PM, on August 24. Grand Prize will be a boy’s and a girl’s bike. Various other prizes will be awarded as well. Need not be present to win. Read & Win event tickets must be used on Tuesday, August 24, rain or shine (no refunds or exchanges will be given).

**(Admission charged at fair gate.)**

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**Have an Ocean of Fun this summer at Kent District Library!**

*Each of the KDL's 18 branches is offering an awesome line-up of free programs for kids and teens. Stop in the branch closest to you or visit [www.kdl.org](http://www.kdl.org) for more information and branch locations. (616) 784-2007*

**Make Waves @ Your Library~Teen Summer Reading Club for kids entering grades 6-12  
June 14-August 7**

*Dive into the library for a summer full of books, prizes and programs just for teens. Each of the 18 branches will raffle off awesome prizes including a mall gift certificate.*

**Make a Splash-READ @ Your Library~Summer Reading Club for kids grades 5 and under  
June 14-August 7**

*Splish, Splash, Summer Readings a Blast! Sign up for Summer Reading Club and enjoy an ocean of fun.*

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**Play & Learn**

Monday-Thursday • June 14-August 5  
9:30 AM-11:30 AM & 12:30 PM-4:00 PM

*Play & Learn is a FREE drop-in playground-style program (for children 5 years and older) that will include activities such as arts and crafts, sports, games, and field trips.*

Contact the City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department for a list of site locations.  
530-3164 • [www.wyomingmi.gov](http://www.wyomingmi.gov)

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**Teen Scene**

Tuesday-Thursday • June 22-August 5  
1:00 PM-4:30 PM  
Godwin Heights Middle School • 111-36<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Wyoming

*Teen Scene is a place for children and teens (ages 11-18 years) to hang out and chill with friends during the summer. Activities include dodgeball, Guitar Hero, board games, cooking, and field trips.*

Free Admission. Questions? Contact the Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department.  
530-3164 • [www.wyomingmi.gov](http://www.wyomingmi.gov)

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**Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holland • Youth Development Programs & Free Lunch**

Summer Program • Monday-Friday • June 14-August 27, 2010  
1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders 10:00 AM-3:00 PM • 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders Noon-5:00 PM  
Central Facility, 435 Van Raalte, Holland • 392-4102  
North Side, 583 Riley, Holland • 786-9011  
[www.bgch.org](http://www.bgch.org)  
\$5 membership fee

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**Camp Fire USA Summer Day Camp**

Monday-Thursday • June 21-August 12 • 11:00 AM-5:00 PM  
11 program sites throughout the city of Grand Rapids  
949-2500 ext. 21 • [www.campfireusawmc.org](http://www.campfireusawmc.org)

A FREE summer program for kids 5-13 years old that provides a structured environment with activities designed to engage the imagination, promote teamwork, develop leadership skills and be fun.  
Registration required.

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**~~~~~ Family Activities & Events ~~~~~**

## Visit These Free Family Attractions!

**Ada Township Park** • 1180 Buttrick Ave., Ada • 676-0520 • [www.ada.mi.us](http://www.ada.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 57 acres offering a variety of outdoor activities including paved and rustic trails, forests, ponds, an arboretum, nature center and play area. Also features a spring-fed fishing pond with fishing restricted to children under 12, senior citizens, and the handicapped. Restrooms and fishing docks are wheelchair accessible.

**Ah-Nab-Awen Park** • Pearl St. & Bridge St. on the Grand River, Grand Rapids • 456-3696 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • View a statue of an astronaut, a water fountain, the Betty Ford Garden, and Marshall Fredrick's American Eagle sculpture just outside of the Gerald R. Ford Museum. View skyscrapers as you walk the paved paths along the banks and over the river, or sit on one of the many picnic tables or benches. Climb on Lorrie's Button, created by Hy Zekowitz. The park, which once was the site of a Native American Village, is also home to Nishnabe Gemaw, Tom Hillis's statue of a Michigan Indian leader.

**Alticor Inc.** • 7575 Fulton St. East, Ada • 787-6701 • [www.alticor.com](http://www.alticor.com) • **Hours:** 8:30 AM-Noon & 1:00 PM-5:00 PM Monday-Friday; call to check hours and days of operation during holidays. • **Admission:** Free • The visitor center is located at the Alticor headquarters and lets you experience the Alticor family of companies, including Amway, Access Business Group and Quixtar. The center offers information and interactive tools for fun and educational experience.

**Aman Park Trails** • 0-1895 Lake Michigan Dr., Grand Rapids (6 miles west of the city) • 456-3696 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free, donations accepted • 331 acres of natural area with hiking and cross-country ski trails, and interpretive signs. Six self-guided trails range from .8-mile to 1.5-mile loops.

**Apple Trail** • 712 Apple Ave., Holland • 396-6526 • [www.GetHealthyOttawa.org](http://www.GetHealthyOttawa.org) • **Hours:** open daily dawn to dusk • **Admission:** Free • Half-mile trail along a stream and through the woods, sand volleyball court, basketball hoop, fitness logs, and playground. Parking available at Trinity Reformed Church. Pets must be on a leash. No smoking.

**Averill Historic Museum of Ada** • 7144 Headley St., Ada • 676-9346 • [www.adahistoricalociety.org](http://www.adahistoricalociety.org) • **Hours:** 1:00 PM-4:00 PM Friday-Sunday or by appointment • **Admission:** Free • Items on display include railroad artifacts, an organ, pantry, pictures of Ada's past, a garden area, as well as a restored buggy and farm implements in the barn.

**Battjes Park** • 1655 Blandford SW, Wyoming (south of Chicago Dr.) • 530-3164 • [www.ci.wyoming.mi.us](http://www.ci.wyoming.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features restroom facilities, playground equipment, two open-air shelters, sand volleyball, tennis courts, soccer field, basketball courts, and softball field. A leisure walking and bike trail is great for strollers and dogs on leashes and leads to fishing on Battjes Lake.

**Bicentennial Park** • 8085 Byron Center Ave., Byron Center • 878-1998 • [www.byrontownship.org](http://www.byrontownship.org) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 39-acres featuring a skate park, tennis, basketball, and shuffleboard courts, baseball and softball fields, playground, and picnic area.

**Blandford Nature Center** • 1715 Hillburn Ave. NW, Grand Rapids • 735-6240 • [www.blandfordnaturecenter.org](http://www.blandfordnaturecenter.org) • **Hours:** Trails open daily dawn to dusk. Interpretive Center open 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday-Friday, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM Saturday. • **Admission:** Free (small fee during some special events held at the nature center) • Woods, ponds and streams preserved within the city. Nature trails, rescued animals, and interpretive educational displays.

**Bowen Station Park** • on Bowen Ave, 1 block south of 44<sup>th</sup> St. and east of Kalamazoo, Kentwood • 656-5270 • [www.kentwood.mi.us](http://www.kentwood.mi.us) • **Hours:** 6:00 AM-10:00 PM daily • **Admission:** Free • A sheltered picnic area, playground, and restrooms, along with the trail head for the Paul Henry/Thornapple Trail that is great for walking, biking, rollerblading, etc.

**Bowne Township Historical Society- School House & Museum** • 84<sup>th</sup> & Alden Nash (M-50), Alto • 868-6846 • [www.bownehistory.org](http://www.bownehistory.org), [www.bownetwp.cc](http://www.bownetwp.cc) • **Hours:** 2:00 PM-4:00 PM the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, June-September • **Admission:** Free, Donations accepted • The one-room school has memorabilia from the eight schools that were once operated within the township. The museum has displays to show what our community was like years ago.

**Brewer Park** • 399-84<sup>th</sup> St., Byron Center • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features a picnic area, playground, disc golf course, ball diamond, basketball and tennis courts, soccer field, restrooms, and an open shelter house.

**Briggs Park** • 350 Knapp NE, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA.

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Check website for current admission fees. • Features a basketball court, track, picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool with large water slide. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Buck Creek Nature Preserve** • 4269 Burlingame, Wyoming • 530-3164 • [www.ci.wyoming.mi.us](http://www.ci.wyoming.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Approximately 37.5 acres with a boardwalk and walking trails throughout, and restrooms at entrance.

**Byron Center Historical Museum & Genealogy Room** • 2506 Prescott, Byron Center • 878-0888 • [www.byroncenterhistory.com](http://www.byroncenterhistory.com) • **Hours:** Call for days and times. • **Admission:** Free • Displays of a one-room schoolhouse, church, general store, doctor's office, post office, farming and logging, an entire house display with different rooms, and a collection of Veteran history.

**Caledonia Lakeside Park** • 370 N. Lake Dr., Caledonia • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A large grassy and well-shaded park featuring playgrounds designed for children ages 2-5 years and 5-12 years, picnic tables, grills, benches on the edge of Lake Emmons, bridge over a small winding creek, restrooms, horseshoe pits, and ball diamond. Fishing permitted.

**Campau Park** • 50 Antoine SW, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA. Check website for current admission fees. • Features a picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Cedar Springs Historical Museum** • 60 Cedar St., Cedar Springs (in Morley Park just off South Main St.) • 696-3335 • [www.cedarspringsmuseum.org](http://www.cedarspringsmuseum.org) • **Hours:** 10:00 AM-5:00 PM Wednesdays • **Admission:** Free • Step back in time as you tour the one-room Payne School, learn about the history of Cedar Springs and its lumbering and farming heritage.

**Creekside Park** • 1035-68<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Dutton • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features include a paved exercise path, baseball diamonds, soccer field, horseshoe pit, playgrounds, an open shelterhouse, picnic areas, and restrooms.

**DeGraaf Nature Center** • 600 Graafschap Rd., Holland • 355-1057 • [www.degraaf.org](http://www.degraaf.org) • **Hours:** Trails open every day dawn to dusk. Building open 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Tuesday-Friday, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday. Closed Sunday & Monday. • **Admission:** Free (small fee for special programs/events) • Trails and exhibition building. Special programs in the evening and each Saturday. Check out the website for upcoming programs and special events.

**Dekker Huis/Zeland Historical Museum** • 37 East Main Ave., Zeeland • 772-4079 • [www.zeelandmuseum.org](http://www.zeelandmuseum.org) • **Hours:** March-October, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM Thursdays; 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Saturdays; October-March, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Saturdays • **Admission:** Free, donations accepted • Features an early schoolroom, exhibits of the area's Dutch settlers, and antique furnishings.

**Douglas Walker Park** • 1195-84<sup>th</sup> St., Byron Center • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A barrier free park on the banks of Buck Creek with a baseball diamond, soccer field, horseshoe pits, picnic areas, playgrounds, restrooms, and access to Kent Trails.

**Dutton Shadyside Park** • 7343 Hammond Ave., Dutton • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Large maple trees and Plaster Creek are two of the natural features of this park. Other features include tennis courts, a baseball diamond, horseshoe pit, playgrounds, an open shelterhouse, picnic areas, and restrooms.

**Dwight Lydell Park** • 4040 Leland Ave., Comstock Park • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • In addition to Mill Creek running through the park, the park also features ball diamonds, fishing, nature trails, a playground, restrooms, and an open shelterhouse.

**East Paris Nature Park** • 60<sup>th</sup> St. & East Paris Ave., Kentwood (parking available at Endeavor Elementary School, 5757 East Paris Ave. SE, Kentwood) • 656-5270 • [www.kentwood.mi.us](http://www.kentwood.mi.us) • **Hours:** 6:00 AM-10:00 PM daily • **Admission:** Free • Paved walking trails along the edge of retention ponds, two fishing and nature decks, restrooms, and an open shelter house with picnic tables.

**Fallasburg Historical Village & School House** • 13944 Covered Bridge Rd., Lowell • [www.fallasburg.org](http://www.fallasburg.org) • **Hours:** 2:00 PM-4:00 PM Sundays • **Admission:** Free • One-room school house and 2 historic buildings depict what life has been like in

the village of Fallasburg. Listed on the National Historic Register, the village has been passed by with the changes of time over the last 150 years.

**Fallasburg Park** • 1124 Fallasburg Rd., Lowell • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features a covered bridge that spans the Flat River and is open to vehicle traffic, along with baseball diamonds, fishing, nature trails, an open and closed shelterhouse, playgrounds, restrooms.

**Farmers' Market** • SE corner of Parking Lot F on the Grand Valley State University Allendale Campus, Allendale • 331-8011 • [www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/](http://www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/) • **Hours:** 10:00 AM-1:30 PM Wednesdays (June 9-September 29, 2010) • **Admission:** Free • Fresh produce, salsa, jelly, breads, fresh cut flowers, coffee by the cup and bags of freshly ground coffee, fresh squeezed lemonade, and more for sale. GVSU Campus Dining will be selling lunch 11:30 AM-1:00 PM. Blenders and ingredients are available to make smoothies, or use your purchased fruit & veggies to create your own. Music by local artists.

**Farmers' Market** • Pavilion behind the Main Street stores, Coopersville • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-1:00 PM Wednesdays (May-October) • **Admission:** Free • Fruit, vegetables, bedding plants, maple syrup, nuts, etc. for sale by area farmers.

**Farmers' Market** • Harbor Dr. & First St., Grand Haven • 842-4910 • [www.grandhavenchamber.org](http://www.grandhavenchamber.org) • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Wednesdays & Saturdays (June-October) • **Admission:** Free • Garden fresh seasonal produce, flowers and baked goods.

**Farmers' Market** • 1147 E. Fulton St., Grand Rapids • 454-4118 • [www.fultonstreetmarket.org](http://www.fultonstreetmarket.org) • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday (May-Christmas) • **Admission:** Free • Flowers, homemade breads and fresh produce.

**Farmers' Market** • at 8<sup>th</sup> St. Market Place, 8<sup>th</sup> St. between Pine & Maple Ave., Holland • 355-1138 • [www.hollandfarmersmarket.com](http://www.hollandfarmersmarket.com) • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Wednesday & Saturday (mid May-November) • **Admission:** Free • Freshly harvested produce, flowers, and plants, as well as baked goods, cheese, eggs, and meat.

**Farmers' Market & Crafts** • 3300 Prospect St., Hudsonville • 662-3412 • [www.fcelevator.com](http://www.fcelevator.com) • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Wednesday (June 2-October 6, 2010) • **Admission:** Free • Fresh produce, fresh and dried flowers, and homemade crafts.

**Farmers' Market** • South Squires St. parking lot, Rockford • 866-1537 • [www.rockford.mi.us](http://www.rockford.mi.us) • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-1:00 PM Saturdays (June-October) • **Admission:** Free • Michigan-grown products: produce, flowers, baked goods, honey, eggs, etc.

**Farm & Garden Market** • Downtown, on Church St., Spring Lake • 842-4910 • [www.grandhavenchamber.org](http://www.grandhavenchamber.org) • **Hours:** 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Thursdays (June-mid October) • **Admission:** Free • Produce, fresh cut flowers, plants, garden items, etc.

**Fish Ladder Sculpture** • 560 Front St. (near US 131), Grand Rapids • 456-3696 • [www.sculpturesitesgr.org](http://www.sculpturesitesgr.org) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • Built along the Grand River in 1974 by artist Joseph Kinnebrew IV, the Fish Ladder was created to aid spawning fish in their struggle to swim up stream. Watch fish jump up the "ladder" in a seasonal migration in the spring & and late summer. Restroom and parking available.

**Fred Meijer Nature Preserve** • 6001 Ramsdell Rd. NE, Cannonsburg • 336-PARK (7275) or 336-3697 • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • Get lost as you wander through 304 acres featuring Pickerel Lake and hiking trails. An 800-foot floating boardwalk provides fishing areas. Wheelchair accessible. Pets are not allowed at the nature preserve.

**Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park** • [www.rockford.mi.us](http://www.rockford.mi.us); [www.whitepinetrail.com](http://www.whitepinetrail.com) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • A 92-mile long linear trail stretching from Comstock Park to Cadillac that is open for hiking, biking, inline skating, and other forms of non-motorized transportation. Trailheads located in Cadillac, Big Rapids and in **Rogue River Park**, 6300 Belshire Ave., Belmont.

**Fulton Street ARTisans Market** • 1147 E. Fulton St., Grand Rapids • [www.grartmarket.com](http://www.grartmarket.com) • **Hours:** 11:00 AM-3:00 PM Sunday (June 13-September 26) • **Admission:** Free • A weekly open-air arts and crafts market.

**Gezon Park** • 1940-52<sup>nd</sup> St. SW, Wyoming • 530-3164 • [www.ci.wyoming.mi.us](http://www.ci.wyoming.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 94-acres featuring baseball, softball, and football fields, basketball courts, playground, picnic shelter, walking trail, and restrooms.

**Gordon Park** • 17150 Northland Dr., Sand Lake • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Acquired from the state of Michigan in 1924, Gordon Park was the first park in the Kent County system and has a ball diamond, picnic areas, a playground and restrooms.

**Grand Haven Boardwalk** • Grand Haven harbor • **Hours:** open year round • **Admission:** Free • Take a brisk walk or leisurely stroll along the Grand Haven harbor. The boardwalk stretches 2 ½ miles and is lined with shops, restaurants,

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marinas, and charter fishing boats, and leads to the catwalk and pier. There are many benches and grassy areas where you can rest and watch as boats and pedestrians pass by.

**Grand Haven Musical Fountain** • Waterfront Stadium, Harbor Ave. and Washington St., Grand Haven • 800-303-4092 • www.grandhaven.org • **Hours:** Shows nightly from Memorial Day through Labor Day, and Friday and Saturday in September. Show begins at dusk. Start times vary from 8:30 PM-10:10 PM. Check website for schedule of start times. • **Admission:** Donations for those sitting in the stadium, free to all others. • Jet streams of water illuminated with colored lights and synchronized to a variety of music. The fountain processes around 90,000 gallons of water in a typical show and may be viewed from across the Grand River channel or from a boat. Programs last 20-25 minutes.

**Grand Haven Skate Park** • 600 Mulligan's Dr., Grand Haven (behind the Tri-Cities YMCA on Harbor Dr.) • 847-3493 • www.grandhavenskatepark.org • **Hours:** open daily 8:00 AM-10:00 PM Memorial Day-Labor Day. Closed due to inclement weather. • **Admission:** Free • An all-cement park featuring a full sized bowl, step up, box, two hubbas, five and seven stair, flat bar, hand rail, pyramid, quarter pipe and banks galore located at Mulligan's Hollow. The park is not supervised. Skate at your own risk. Use of safety equipment is strongly encouraged. The Imagination Station playground, picnic area, restrooms, tennis and basketball courts, soccer and softball fields are nearby.

**Grand River Park** • On 28<sup>th</sup> Ave., north of Fillmore, Jenison • 738-4810 • www.co.ottawa.mi.us • **Hours:** open year round- 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April 1-October 31; 7:00 AM-8:00 PM November 1-March 31 • **Admission:** Free • Wooded hills, flood plain forest, wetlands, native grasslands, and a small lake with a fishing dock can be found in the 162-acre park along the banks of the Grand River. The park also features a boat launch, boardwalk, playground, river overlook platform, 3 miles of nature trails, picnic tables and restrooms.

**Grand River Riverfront Park** • On the south shore of the Grand River, off Grand River Dr. between Lowell & Ada • 897-7600 • www.twp.lowell.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily 8:00 AM-dusk • **Admission:** Free • 80 acres featuring picnic tables, canoe launch, 2 softball fields, 8 soccer fields, paved walking path, restrooms and playground designed for children ages 4-12 years, as well as a scenic overlook and fishing pier on the Grand River.

**Grose Park** • 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Hoover, Chester Township • 738-4810 • www.co.ottawa.mi.us • **Hours:** 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April-October 31. The park is closed November 1-March 31. • **Admission:** Free • Overlooking Crockery Lake, the park provides opportunity for swimming, fishing, sand volleyball, and horseshoes. There are also picnic tables and grills, a playground, nature trails, a creek overlook platform, and restrooms. Many of the facilities are barrier free.

**Hager Park** • 28<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Bauer Rd., Georgetown Township • 738-4810 • www.miottawa.org • **Hours:** open year round. 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April 1-October 31; 7:00 AM-8:00 PM November 1-March 31 • **Admission:** Free • 104-acre family park with picnic areas, nature trails, hardwood forest, horseshoe pit, and the Age of Discovery community-built playground which overlooks a terrain map of the United States.

**Heritage Hill Historic District** • 5 blocks east of downtown Grand Rapids. Bordered generally by Creston St. & Pleasant St. & Lafayette Ave. & Union Ave. • 459-8950 • www.heritagehillweb.org • **Hours:** the Heritage Hill Association office is open 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday-Friday. • **Admission:** Free • A nationally-recognized historic district that once was the city's most prestigious residential area. The 1300 homes represent over 60 different architectural styles from Greek Revival to Prairie. Free self-guided walking tour; brochures & maps are available at the Heritage Hill Association office, 126 College Ave. SE, and online.

**Heritage Park** • 3820 Canal, Grandville • **Hours:** open daily until dark. • **Admission:** Free • Features include a lighted basketball court, soccer field, sand volleyball court, playground and picnic shelter.

**Hemlock Crossing/Pine Bend** • 8115 West Olive Rd., West Olive • 738-4810 • www.co.ottawa.mi.us • **Hours:** open year round. 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April-October; 7:00 AM-8:00 PM November-March • **Admission:** Free • 239 acres of woods and wetlands along the Pigeon River, with over 6 miles of trails for hiking (including over a mile of paved trail). View the river corridor, wetlands, natural springs and woods from a pedestrian bridge and numerous overlooks. Facilities include a kayak/canoe launch. Pine Bend is a secondary access on the west end of the property that offers parking and a trail head.

**Highland Park** • 700 College NE, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • www.grand-rapids.mi.us • **Hours:** Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA. Check website for current admission fees. • Features a soccer field, baseball diamond, picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool with large water slide. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Hillcroft Park** • 340-32<sup>nd</sup> St., Wyoming • 530-3164 • www.ci.wyoming.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features a playground, picnic area, baseball and soccer fields, access to the Kent County bike trail, and restrooms.

**Hodenpyl Woods** • 2500 Robinson Rd., East Grand Rapids • 949-1750 • [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A .9-mile loop, rustic trail, passes through 34 acres of natural area and is connected by a floating bridge and several foot bridges. Numerous Eagle Scout projects may be viewed along the walkway.

**Holland Skateboard Park** • Lincoln Park, corner of 9<sup>th</sup> & Columbia, Holland • 928-2450 • [www.cityofholland.com](http://www.cityofholland.com) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • A city park featuring a mini ramp, roll-in ramps, ¼ pipes, rails, and ledges. Helmets and pads required. Park is self-monitored.

**Hudsonville Nature Center** • At the east end of New Holland St., Hudsonville • 669-0900 • [www.hudsonville.org](http://www.hudsonville.org) • **Hours:** open Dawn to dusk, daily • **Admission:** Free • 76 acres of woodlands, prairies, and wetlands with hiking trails, lookouts, wildflowers, and picnic areas.

**Huff Park & Cattail Crossing** • 2286 Ball Ave. NE, Grand Rapids • 546-3696 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features a 30-acre wetland boardwalk trail, with paved pathways, boardwalks and interpretive signs, as well as a softball diamond, picnic tables, playground, and restrooms. The natural habitat features a wide array of wild flowers and wetland inhabitants in the middle of an urban area.

**Jaycee Park** • 1088 Gentian, Kentwood • 656-5270 • [www.kentwood.mi.us](http://www.kentwood.mi.us) • **Hours:** 6:00 AM-10:00 PM • **Admission:** Free • A wooded area featuring basketball courts, softball field, tennis court, horseshoe pit, disc golf course, a paved trail that passes over a creek, play equipment, and restrooms.

**John Collins Park** • 650 Lakeside Dr., East Grand Rapids • 949-1750 • [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 2.7-acres on the shores of Reeds Lake, with a public boat launch, fishing docks, benches and picnic tables, restrooms, and handicap accessible walkways. A detailed map of **Reeds Lake Trail** is located at the south end of the park, near the sidewalk.

**Johnson Park** • 2600 Wilson Ave., Walker • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • On the edge of the Grand River, this park offers areas for fishing, walking, hiking, biking, and disc golf, along with ball diamonds, playgrounds, an open shelterhouse, restrooms, boat launch and a scenic drive through the park.

**Ken-O-Sha Park School/Trail** • 3155 Kalamazoo SE, Grand Rapids • 456-3696 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Large playground, softball diamond and trail. Plaster Creek Trail begins at the school and follows the creek with interpretive signs and wildflowers along the creek's bank and wetland areas.

**Kent Trails** • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • A fifteen mile, paved, non-motorized trail that follows abandoned railroad lines through the cities of Grand Rapids, Grandville, Walker, Wyoming, and Byron Township. The pathway is handicap accessible and has access points and parking areas at Johnson Park, John Ball Park, Douglas Walker Park, Millennium Park, and in Byron Center at 84<sup>th</sup> St. The trail may also be accessed at any cross street along the route. A map is available online.

**La Grande Vitesse** • Calder Plaza, Ottawa Ave. between Michigan & Lyon NW (behind the city and county administration building) • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • La Grande Vitesse means “the great swiftness”, or “the grand rapids”. Internationally known sculptor, Alexander Calder, designed this 43’ high x 54’ long x 30’ wide piece of art specifically for this site. Installed in 1969.

**Lamar Park** • 2561 Porter, Wyoming • 530-3164 • [www.ci.wyoming.mi.us](http://www.ci.wyoming.mi.us) • **Hours:** The park is open daily until 9:00 PM. The Splashpad is open daily 10:00 AM-8:00 PM June 1-Labor Day. • **Admission:** Free • Walking trails, 9-hole disk golf course, basketball courts, baseball diamond, soccer and softball field, fishing, volleyball and tennis courts, picnic area and restrooms. Playground equipment includes a children’s climbing wall, wheelchair swing and Splashpad.

**Lamar Park Splash Pad (located in Lamar Park)** A water playground 115 feet long and 82 feet wide. Soaker stations, water tunnel, fire hydrant and dumping buckets featured in a unique design which makes it accessible to children and adults of all abilities. Aqua chairs available for use in 1-hour increments, with a maximum of 4 hours. Chair reservations must be made 24 hours in advance, with a \$100 refundable deposit.

**Lemery Park** • 4050 Byron Center SW, Wyoming • 530-3164 • [www.ci.wyoming.mi.us](http://www.ci.wyoming.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Over 86-acres featuring tennis and basketball courts, Little League fields, softball field, fishing, playground, walking trail, picnic area, and restrooms.

**Leonard Park** • 7490 Thornapple River Dr., Ada • 676-0520 • [www.ada.mi.us](http://www.ada.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Two acres featuring a softball field, bike path, river overlook deck, and the Ada Covered Bridge which spans the Thornapple River and is limited to pedestrian traffic.

**Lincoln Park** • 1120 Bridge St. NW, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** • Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA. Check website for current admission fees. • Features a softball field, tennis and basketball courts, picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Long Lake Park** • 13747 Krauskopf NE, Sparta • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • The park offers a non-motorized boat launch and areas for fishing, biking, swimming, and picnicking, as well as a playground and restroom facilities.

**Manhattan Recreation Area** • 3180 Cascade Rd., East Grand Rapids • 949-1750 • [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 40-acres that feature nature trails, picnic tables, a playground, sand volleyball courts, softball diamonds, tennis courts, soccer fields and restrooms.

**Martin Luther King Park** • 1200 Franklin SE, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA. Check website for current admission fees. • Features a baseball diamond, basketball and tennis courts, picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool with large water slide. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Meyer May House** • 450 Madison Ave. SE (northeast corner of Logan St.), Grand Rapids • 246-4821 • [meyermayhouse.steelcase.com/house](http://meyermayhouse.steelcase.com/house) • **Hours:** 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Tuesday & Thursday, 1:00 P M-5:00 PM Sundays, except Sundays of national holiday weekends. Call for the latest information. Last tour starts 1 hour prior to closing. • **Admission:** Free • A museum-quality restoration of a prairie-style home designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and completed in 1910. Includes original furnishings as well as reproductions and compatible arts and crafts-style items.

**Millennium Park** • 1415 Maynard, Walker • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** Park is open daily until dusk. Beach is open 10:00 AM-8:00 PM (Memorial Day-4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in August). Splashpad is open 10:00 AM-7:00 PM (Hours of the beach and splashpad may vary due to weather or demand. Call to confirm.) • **Admission to the park:** Free • **Admission to the beach & splashpad:** \$4 adults (16-62 years), \$3 seniors (63+ years), \$2 children (3-15 years), free for children under 3 years. Admission fees effective Memorial Day-Labor Day. • The park is large enough to touch four cities and has a 100-acre lake with sandy beach that offers opportunity for swimming as well as a ramp and docks for non-motorized boats. It also features a children's splashpad, picnic shelters with more than 200 picnic tables and 20 grilling sites, playground area, basketball and volleyball courts, overlooks and blinds for bird-watching, and a boardwalk to nature trails. Paved, all-purpose trails are available for cycling, walking, running, and in-line skating.

**“Motu”** • Behind the Federal Building on Ottawa Ave. & Michigan St., Grand Rapids • [www.grand-rapids.mi.us](http://www.grand-rapids.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • Young and old alike will enjoy a ride on the large, roomy, 33-foot tall tire swing constructed by Mark Di Suvero. The sculpture was designed to bring the city's motto, Motu Viget, meaning “strength through activity”, to life.

**Mulligan's Hollow** • 600 Mulligan's Dr., Grand Haven (behind the Tri-Cities YMCA on Harbor Dr.) • 847-3493 • [www.grandhaven.org](http://www.grandhaven.org) • **Hours:** open year round • **Admission:** Free • Features the Imagination Station Playground, 10,000 square feet of playground equipment designed by local children and constructed by community members. Picnic area, restrooms, skate park, tennis and basketball courts, soccer and softball fields.

**Musketawa Trail** • Marne Trail Head: 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., between Garfield St. & Arthur St. • 738-4810 • [www.musketawatrail.org](http://www.musketawatrail.org), [www.co.ottawa.mi.us](http://www.co.ottawa.mi.us) • **Hours:** open year round (*The Ottawa County Parks Department manages the 10-mile section of the trail from Marne to Muskegon County line from April 1-November 30.*) • **Admission:** Free • An abandoned rail line running between Marne and Muskegon transformed into a 25-mile paved all-season linear park. This 12-foot-wide trail is great for hiking, biking, roller-blading, snowmobiling and horseback riding, and wheelchair travelers. Picnic tables and portable toilets in parking areas. In Ottawa County, parking is available on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. near Marne and on Sehler St. near Conklin.

**Myers Lake Park** • 7350 Hessler Dr., Rockford • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Lakeside park with a sandy beach offers swimming, fishing, picnic areas, a playground and restrooms.

**Myers School Museum (Sparta Historical Museum)** • 16-13 Mile Rd. NW, Sparta • 887-1566 • www.sparta-township.com • **Hours:** 2:00 PM-5:00 PM the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, May-December. • **Admission:** Free • Housed in a one-room schoolhouse, built in 1873 and in use until 1952, the museum tells of the culture and heritage of Sparta, Michigan.

**Palmer Park** • 1275-52<sup>nd</sup> St. SW, Wyoming • 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A boardwalk at the west end of the park follows Buck Creek and extends to Lamar Park in Wyoming. Other features include baseball diamonds, paved and unpaved trails, fishing, playgrounds, picnic areas, an open shelterhouse, and restrooms.

**Peppler Park** • West of the Rockford Dam • 866-1537 • www.rockford.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • 4.5-acres on the bank of the Rogue River with a fishing platform, picnic areas, and opportunity to walk across the Rockford dam. The park features the Rockford Area Community Endowment “Recognition Plaza” as well as the trailhead for the **Rogue River Nature Trail**. The boardwalk trail runs along the river bank and extends a quarter mile with views of wooded areas and downtown Rockford.

**Prairie Park** • 2250 Prairie Parkway, Wyoming • 530-3164 • www.ci.wyoming.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 36.6 acres featuring a skate park with a variety of ramps and rails for skateboarding and inline skating, as well as a playground, walking trail and picnic shelter. The skate park is unsupervised.

**Provin Trails Park** • 2900-4 Mile Rd., Grand Rapids Township • 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Hiking trails throughout the park provide a challenging walk. Restrooms at trail head.

**Reeds Lake Trail** • 949-1750 • www.eastgr.org • **Hours:** open daily • **Admission:** Free • A 4.2 mile loop around Reeds Lake that passes through natural wooded areas, wetlands, and residential areas. A detailed map is located near the south end of John Collins Park (650 Lakeside Dr.). Benches available along the path. Restrooms located in John Collins Park and near Remington Baseball Field (2310 Reeds Lake Blvd.).

**Richardson Sowerby Park** • Off Main St., Rockford, behind the Rogue Valley Towers • 866-1537 • www.rockford.mi.us • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-10:00 PM • **Admission:** Free • Located on both the east and west banks of the Rogue River, the 13-acre park features a covered picnic area, grills, playground, fishing and restrooms. Follow the pedestrian bridge on the west bank of the park to a fitness course and softball field or walk a short distance on the paved pathway to the playground and benches in **Pickett Park**, located at 120 Gaylord Dr. (south of 10 Mile Rd.).

**Richmond Park** • 1101 Richmond NW, Grand Rapids • 456-4234 • www.grand-rapids.mi.us • **Hours:** Park open daily dawn to dusk. Pool hours TBA. Check website for current information. • **Admission to the park:** Free; **Admission to the pool:** TBA. Check website for current admission fees. • Features a softball field, disc golf, tennis and basketball courts, picnic area, playground, restrooms, and heated pool. Pool closes due to inclement weather. Call 456-3699 for pool closing information. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult while swimming.

**Riverside Park** • 2001 Monroe Ave. NE, Grand Rapids (between Ann and North Park) • 456-3696 • www.grand-rapids.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 250 acres on the east and west sides of the Grand River that offer a beautiful natural environment within the city with extensive walking paths throughout, along with areas for baseball, softball, soccer and picnics. There is river access for boats.

**Rockford Area Historical Museum** • 11 E. Bridge St., Rockford • 866-2235 • www.rockfordmuseum.org • **Hours:** open June-August 31, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM Thursday-Saturday • **Admission:** Free • Early American household items, an 1890’s living room, war and lumbering memorabilia, medical paraphernalia, doll collection, research materials and more.

**Rockford Memorial Park** • 220 N. Monroe St., Rockford • 886-1537 • www.rockford.mi.us • **Hours:** 8:00 AM-10:00 PM • **Admission:** Free • A nature/fitness trail provides access to Rum Creek and travels along its banks from Monroe St. to Northland Dr. View the wetlands and beautiful creek in the heart of the city. In addition to the grassy picnic area and basketball hoops, children will love Pachyderm Park, a large wooden play structure.

**Rogers Park** • 120 N. State St., Sparta • 887-8251 • www.spartami.org • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Paved paths and benches along Nash Creek, volleyball nets, playground, picnic tables, and a community bandshell.

**Rogue River Park** • 6300 Belshire Ave., Belmont • 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features include a ball diamond, tennis courts, fishing, walking path, playground, picnic areas, and an open shelterhouse.

**Roselle Park** • 1010 Grand River Dr., Ada • 676-0520 • www.ada.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Over 245-acres of wetlands, prairie, forests, and wildlife along the Grand River. Paved and natural trails, an observation deck, canoe stop, exterior rock climbing wall, rain gardens, bird nesting boxes, picnic area, and a converted silo observation tower are all special features of this park.

**Ruehs Park** • 7602-69<sup>th</sup> St., Alaska • 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Along the Thornapple River, this park offers opportunity for fishing, a playground, restrooms and picnic area.

**Seidman Park** • 8155 Conservation St. SE Ada • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Walking trails through wooded area. Outhouses at the beginning of trail.

**Southlawn Park** • 4125 Jefferson SE, Wyoming • 530-3164 • www.ci.wyoming.mi.us • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A small playground designed for children 2-5 years old and a large, full-size playground for older children, along with sheltered picnic tables and grills make this an ideal spot for family time. There is also a large grassy area for kite flying, tag, soccer, volleyball, etc., as well as a splashpad.

**Spartan Park** • E. Gardner St. & Washington St., Sparta • 887-8251 • www.spartami.org • **Hours:** 9:00 AM-9:00 PM. • **Admission:** Free • An enclosed skateboard obstacle course, playground, and basketball court. No restrooms.

**Spring Grove Park** • Greenly St. between 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. & 16<sup>th</sup> Ave., Jamestown Township • 738-4810 • www.co.ottawa.mi.us • **Hours:** 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April-October; closed November-March • **Admission:** Free • Towering trees, a flowing spring, and small natural area makes this 16-acre park a great place for picnics. It also features a playground, ball field, horseshoe pit, fire pit with benches, and restrooms.

**Stoney Lakeside Park & Lowell Dog Park** • 1200 Bowes Rd., Lowell • 897-8457 • www.lowellchamber.org • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 30-acres featuring a sandy beach, fire pits, beach volleyball, playground, open picnic shelter, and restrooms. A 27-acre pond with a boat launch offers opportunity for swimming, fishing and boating.

**Sunday Art Market** • Harbor Dr. & First St., Grand Haven • 842-4910 • www.grandhavenchamber.org • **Hours:** 11:00 AM-2:00 PM Sundays (June-mid September) • **Admission:** Free • Original artist made works for sale under the canopy of the Farmers Market. Mediums include, but are not limited to, painting, printmaking, mixed media, photography, sculpture, ceramics, digital, glass, fiber, leather, drawing, metalwork, jewelry, and wood.

**Tri-cities Historical Museum** • 200 Washington Ave., Grand Haven • 842-0700 • www.tri-citiesmuseum.org • **Hours:** (Memorial Day-Labor Day) 9:30 AM-7:30 PM Tuesday-Friday; 12:30 PM-7:30 PM Saturday & Sunday; Closed Monday • **Admission:** Free, donations accepted • An historic 1870 Grand Trunk Railroad Depot and the Akeley Building which was constructed in 1871. A Coast Guard display as well as heritage exhibits, rocks, minerals, farming, railroading, lumbering, and more.

**Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts** • 41 Sheldon Blvd. SE, Grand Rapids • 454-7000 • www.uica.org • **Hours:** Noon-10:00 PM Tuesday-Saturday; Noon-7:00 PM Sunday; Closed Monday • **Admission:** Free admission to the gallery. Fee charged for movies/special events. • UICA is Michigan's largest multidisciplinary arts center featuring programs in the visual arts, performing arts, dance, music, film, and literature.

**Veterans Park** • Central & 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Hudsonville • 669-0200 • www.hudsonville.org • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • A memorial park dedicated to area veterans, featuring 6 life-size statues representing the 5 branches of the military, and a memorial wall and stone with plaques honoring local military personnel.

**Veterans Park** • 331-48<sup>th</sup> St., Kentwood • 656-5270 • www.kentwood.mi.us • **Hours:** 6:00 AM-10:00 PM daily • **Admission:** Free • Basketball hoops, tennis and volleyball courts, picnic area, playground and climbing wall, restrooms, and paved path for walking, biking, rollerblading, etc.

**Wabasis Lake Park** • 11220 Springhill Dr., Greenville • 336-3697, 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Park activities and facilities include swimming, fishing, and boat launch into Wabasis Lake, hiking, camping, a baseball diamond, basketball court, picnic area, playground and restrooms.

**Wahlfield Park** • 6811 Alpine Ave., Alpine Township • 336-PARK (7275) • www.accesskent.com, www.alpinetwp.org • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Mill Creek runs through the 246-acre park while other features include a woodchip path for walking, picnic areas, and open shelterhouse, playground, and restrooms.

**Warren Townsend Park** • 8280-6 Mile Rd., Cannonsburg • 336-PARK (7275) • [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • Features include baseball diamonds, fishing in Bear Creek, nature trails, playgrounds, an open and closed shelterhouse, and restrooms.

**Whistle Stop Park** • 2120-76<sup>th</sup> St., Byron Center • 878-1998 • [www.byrontownship.org](http://www.byrontownship.org) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free • 59 acres featuring baseball and softball fields, soccer and football fields, volleyball court, a 2.5 acre catch and release fishing pond, walking trail, picnic area and playground

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**8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Community Park** • On 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. south of M-21, Jenison • 457-2340 • [www.gtwp.com](http://www.gtwp.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free to residents of Georgetown Township. Non Residents: \$3 per person or a maximum of \$6 per vehicle. • Offers a playground, swimming, boardwalk and shelter area for picnics.

**Cappon House & Settlers House Museums** • 228 W. Ninth St., Holland • 392-9084, 1-888-200-9123 • [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org) • **Hours:** Noon-4:00 PM Friday & Saturday • **Admission:** \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 students, free for children 6 and under, \$14 family (2 adults with children). \$12 individual combination tickets, \$24 family combination tickets (combination tickets include admission to the Holland Museum, Cappon House, and Settlers House) • The Cappon House, a stately Victorian-era home of Holland's first mayor is now a museum, flush with art and antiques. The Settlers House is a working-class family home as it appeared in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

**Engine House #5 Museum** • 6610 Lake Michigan Dr., Allendale • 895-4347 ext. 142, (800) 632-6184 ext. 142 • [www.enginehouse5.org](http://www.enginehouse5.org) • **Hours:** open by appointment only. Call a day in advance to schedule an appointment. Appointments available 8:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday-Friday. Any size group or family is welcome. • **Admission:** \$2 • Originally constructed in Grand Rapids in 1880, Engine House #5 was torn down in 1981 and reconstructed as a fire museum in 1984 with displays of fire equipment and memorabilia.

**Gerald R. Ford Museum** • 303 Pearl St. NW, Grand Rapids • 254-0400 • [www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov](http://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov) • **Hours:** 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Daily • **Admission:** \$7 ages 18-62, \$6 senior citizens and military service members, \$5 college students with ID, \$3 ages 6-17, free for children 5 and younger. Free parking. • Displays focus on the political and personal life of former President Gerald R. Ford, who spent his formative years in Grand Rapids. A variety of temporary exhibits are featured. *July 2-October 17, 2010 School House to White House: The Education of the Presidents.*

**Grand Rapids Children's Museum** • 11 Sheldon Ave. NE, Grand Rapids • 235-4726 • [www.grcm.org](http://www.grcm.org) • **Hours:** 9:30 AM-5:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 9:30 AM-8:00 PM Thursday; Noon-5:00 PM Sunday (Closed Monday) • **Admission:** \$6.50 ages 1 and older. Special family rate of \$1.50 per person from 5:00 PM-8:00 PM on Thursdays. • The museum celebrates childhood and the joy of learning by providing an interactive, hands-on environment that inspires learning and encourages self-directed exploration.

**Grand Rapids Public Museum** • 272 Pearl St. NW, Grand Rapids • 456-3977 • [www.grmuseum.org](http://www.grmuseum.org) • **Hours:** June 21-September 4, 2010 9:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday; 9:00 AM-8:00 PM Tuesday; Closed Sunday. Planetarium is open until 9:00 PM Tuesday. • **Admission:** June 21-September 4, 2010 \$5 Adults, \$3 Children (3-17 years) and College Students with valid ID, Free for children under 3 years. • The museum offers discounted rates, special hours and themed activities each day during the Summer Fun Days (June 21-September 4, 2010). Special programming (Noon-4:00 PM) includes Story Time Mondays, Treasure Tuesdays, Weird Wednesdays, Behind the Scenes Thursdays, Old Fashioned Fridays, and Silly Game Saturdays. Carousel rides are free.

**Holland Museum** • 31 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Holland • 392-9084, 888-200-9123 • [www.hollandmuseum.org](http://www.hollandmuseum.org) • **Hours:** 10:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday; 2:00 PM-5:00 PM Sunday. Closed Tuesday and major holidays. • **Admission:** \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 students, free for children 6 and under, \$14 family (2 adults with children). \$12 individual combination tickets, \$24 family combination tickets (combination tickets include admission to the Holland Museum and the Cappon & Settlers Houses). • The history of Holland, Michigan and 300 years of art and culture of the Netherlands.

**John Ball Park Zoo** • 1300 W. Fulton St., Grand Rapids • 336-4300, 336-4301 • [www.johnballzoosociety.org](http://www.johnballzoosociety.org) • **Hours:** 9:00 AM-6:00 PM (mid May through Labor Day). • **Admission:** \$7.50 adults (14-61 years), \$6.50 senior citizens (62 years and older), and \$5.50 children (3-13 years), Free for children 2 and younger. • Animal exhibits both indoors and out, with over

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1100 animals representing the wilds of Africa, Asia, South America, Australia and the United States. The zoo is handicapped accessible. Wheelchairs available free of charge but should be reserved in advance. Strollers available for a fee.

**Kirk Park** • On Lakeshore Dr. (2 mi. south of M-45), Grand Haven • 738-4810 • [www.co.ottawa.mi.us](http://www.co.ottawa.mi.us) • **Hours:** open year round. 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April–October; 7:00 AM-8:00 PM November-March • **Admission:** Free; Motor Vehicle Fee Memorial Day-Labor Day: Ottawa County Residents: \$4, Non-residents: \$6 • 68 acres of sandy beach, high bluffs and wooded dunes located along Lake Michigan’s shoreline. View Lake Michigan from the nature trails, wooden stairways and wooded dunes, or follow the paved path to a deck overlooking the beach and Lake Michigan. Other features include a swimming area, playground, horse shoe pit, restrooms, and picnic area.

**Knowlton House Museum** • 11080-68<sup>th</sup> Ave., Allendale (Museum is adjacent to the Allendale Community Park entrance.) • 895-9777, 895-6412 • [www.allendale-twp.org](http://www.allendale-twp.org) • **Hours:** 7:00 PM-9:00 PM on the first Monday of the month (closed January & February) Tours also available upon request. • **Admission:** \$1 adults (suggested donation), Free for children under 12 years. • Tour the home and stroll through the gardens. Museum is run by the Allendale Historical Society in an effort to preserve and promote the history of Allendale.

**Lowell Area Historical Museum** • 325 West Main St., Lowell • 897-7688 • [www.lowellmuseum.org](http://www.lowellmuseum.org) • **Hours:** 1:00 PM-4:00 PM Tuesday, Saturday & Sunday; 1:00 PM-8:00 PM Thursday • **Admission:** \$3 adults (over 18 years), \$1.50 children, Free for children under 3 years. • Permanent galleries that feature the founding and early history of Lowell, its industry and retailing and the Lowell Showboat. Also features a special exhibits gallery that changes annually, as well as an 1870’s Victorian dining room, parlor, porch and garden.

**North Beach Park** • 18717 North Shore Rd., Ferrysburg • 738-4810 • [www.co.ottawa.mi.us](http://www.co.ottawa.mi.us) • **Hours:** open year round. 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April-October; 7:00 AM-8:00 PM November-March • **Admission:** Free; Motor Vehicle Fee Memorial Day-Labor Day: Ottawa County Residents: \$4, Non-residents: \$6 • 20-acre park along the shoreline of Lake Michigan offers a swimming area, sand volleyball court, playground, picnic area, wheelchair accessible beach walk, wooden dune stairway, and an overlook deck where you can see a panoramic view of the lake.

**Robinette’s Mountain Biking Trails** • 3142-4 Mile Rd. NE, Grand Rapids (4 Mile & East Beltline) • 361-5567 • [www.robinettes.com](http://www.robinettes.com) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** \$3 per ride or \$30 annual pass • 5.25-mile trail with an extensive single-track and many turns and hills, starting in the apple orchard and entering rolling woodlands to the north. For experienced riders. Helmets must be worn and a waiver must be signed. Read the posted rules at the trailhead.

**Rosy Mound Natural Area** • On Lakeshore Ave., Grand Haven Township (From US 31, turn west on Rosy Mound Drive, & south on Lakeshore Ave.) • 738-4810 • [www.co.ottawa.mi.us](http://www.co.ottawa.mi.us) • **Hours:** open daily until dark • **Admission:** Free (Motor Vehicle Fee Memorial Day-Labor Day: Ottawa County Residents: \$6, Non-residents: \$6 • High wooded dunes, foredunes, beach and a dune blowout. A 0.7-mile (one way) hiking trail from the parking area to the Lake Michigan shoreline includes 1,000 feet of stairs up and down the dunes and scenic views of woods, the dune blow-out and Lake Michigan. A shade canopy, dune boardwalk trail and pit toilets are located near the beach. Barrier-free facilities include parking lot restrooms, picnic tables and grills. Some trails are wheelchair accessible. No dogs allowed.

**Tunnel Park** • 66 Lakeshore Dr. Holland • 738-4810 • [www.miottawa.org](http://www.miottawa.org) • **Hours:** 7:00 AM-10:00 PM April-October. • **Admission:** Free; Motor Vehicle Fee Memorial Day-Labor Day. Ottawa County Residents: \$4, Non-Residents: \$6 • 22-acres, along the shore of Lake Michigan. • A unique tunnel through a dune leads to areas for swimming and picnicking, a playground, sand volleyball courts, horseshoe pit, and restrooms. Climb a dune or use the dune stairway to climb to the top for a scenic view of the lake. The pathway through the tunnel is barrier free and leads to a beach overlook deck.

**Veen Observatory** • 3308 Kissing Rock Rd., Lowell • 897-7065 • [www.graaa.org](http://www.graaa.org) • **Hours:** Dusk to about 11:00 PM on the second and last Saturdays of each month (late April-mid October). Call after 7:30 PM to find out if weather conditions are favorable. Open only if skies are clear. • **Admission:** \$3 adults, \$2 children 5-17 years, Free for children under 5 years. • Take a closer look at stars and other objects in the nighttime sky through large telescopes at this twin-domed observatory.

**Veldheer’s Wooden Shoe Factory, Tulip Farm & Delftware Factory** • 12755 Quincy St., Holland (near US-31) • 399-1900 • [www.veldheer.com](http://www.veldheer.com) • **Hours:** 9:00 AM-5:00 PM; Gardens close one hour before closing time. (April-December) • **Admission:** Free factory tours. Tulip garden tour & buffalo viewing: \$8 adults, \$4 children (3-13 years)

**Versluis Park** • 3650 Versluis Dr., Grand Rapids • 364-1197 • [www.plainfieldchartertwp.org](http://www.plainfieldchartertwp.org) • **Hours:** Park is open 11:00 AM-9:00 PM (summer months). Swimming beach is open 11:00 AM-8:00 PM (Memorial Day-Labor Day). **Admission:** \$8 per car. (Season passes available at the park.) Walk-ins not permitted. • Created on the shore of a 50-acre man-made lake, the park features a playground, picnic area, horseshoe pit, volleyball court, sandy beach and swimming area, bathhouse, wheelchair accessible fishing pier, boating, and a one-mile paved walking trail.

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