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A photographic journey through the Lino Ladies' latest project



Stone Circle Bakehouse floods the area with fresh bread



Incorporate farmers market produce into instant ramen

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With 8 homicides in 2 months, Lansing leaders and residents seek solutions

At 14, Everett High School freshman Xavier McKissic already knows two peers killed by guns.

The first was on May 4, when 14-year-old Jaquez Moye-Young was fatally shot in north Lansing. The second was early Monday morning, when 17-year-old Kylete Owens was killed and six youths ages 15 to 20 were wounded in a riverfront shooting just outside of Lansing Shuffle.

"From first-hand experience, I see a lot of students and the youth in general that don't have an understanding of the value of life or how devastating death is," McKissic texted City Pulse. "This is why we see young people that have access to firearms acting reckless, waving guns on social media or shooting people unprovoked."

They were the city's fifth and eighth homicides this year, all of which have occurred since April. To curb the devastating trend, Lansing's City Council approved a new Office of Neighborhood Safety on May 20. Now funded for at least one year at \$175,000, the office will

include a full-time staff member who will work exclusively on violence prevention and outreach.

At-large Council member Peter

Spadafore presented the idea as a budget amendment last week. He said the goal was to create an office to coordinate efforts with partner organizations such as Advance Peace and Lansing 360.

"We bought in those groups, but we don't have a city resource that on the proactive and victim services side of things. So, when I heard a public comment about the idea of this office, I latched onto it," Spadafore said.

The city has two avenues to fund it. If Michigan legislators approve a new state revenue-sharing fund this summer, the city would receive up to \$3.5 million for public safety expenditures, \$175,000 of which would be used to for the new office. It would also pay to



Lansing Police continue Tuesday to investigate the shooting overnight Monday that cost one teen his life and injured seven others.



Xavier McKissic

Everett High School freshman Xavier McKissic expressed his concerns about teen gun violence in a letter to to Lansing's school superintendent. To read it, look for this story online at www.lansingcitypulse.com.

> Ryan Bates, director of End Gun Violence Michigan, applauded the move. He said he's unaware of an office of this sort elsewhere in Michigan,

create 15 new police posi-

If lawmakers reject it,

the city will tap into its

general funds to keep the

office going for one year,

after which "we'd have to

figure out a way to sus-

tain that over the future,"

legislature will

make that deci-

sion by the end of

July, at the latest.

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about its chances.

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though he knew of similar concepts in Seattle and various California cities.

"In general, taking a holistic approach to violence prevention is a good thing that helps keep communities safer," he said. "Typically, law enforcement only deals with crimes or shootings after they've happened, but there are a number of approaches you can look at to prevent these things

from happening in the first place."

The office will seek to apply some of these approaches, which would include community violence intervention, a method which Bates said "engages the relatively small number of habitual violent offenders through dialogue to reroute them into more positive action or hospital-based intervention."

Fourth Ward Council member Brian Jackson was the only one to vote against the idea.

"The people who are committing gun violence don't know anything about the city departments. Their reality is trying to make and find opportunities. We have HRCS," he said, referring to the Human Relations and Community Services Department, "we have Advance Peace, and I just don't know if adding a department is going to help change anybody's realities on the ground."

Instead, Jackson said the city should instead focus on addressing the root causes of crime, which he said stem

Lansing homicides 2024 April 10 — Christopher Stipanuk, 43, shooting April 18 — Christine Cambric, 53, and Jason McKenzie, 50, shooting April 26 — Aaron Joseph-Bey, 22, shooting May 4 — Jaquez Moye-Young, 14, shooting May 12 — Zaccari Marquise Taylor, 25, strangulation May 23 — Cynthia Marek, 65, stabbing May 27 — Kylete Owens, 17, shooting

from "the stress of poverty and lack of legitimate opportunity."

"If we want to look at reducing crime and violence, the indicators, as far as I'm aware, are food and housing insecurity, which is determined by our homeless number. If we get that down, that's one tick," Jackson said. Another would come from providing greater mental health and drug and alcohol abuse resources, he added.

At-Large Council member Trini Pehlivanoglu said that while she supported working with Advance Peace and Lansing 360, she also believed a centralized city-funded office will bolster those efforts.

"During a time when it's getting warm out and we're getting an uptick in criminal activity all around, we need all hands on deck," Pehlivanoglu said. "We're talking about holistic solutions here, and I think it's a good idea to explore what this city can do to help."

Mayor Andy Schor's administration is already scouting candidates for the position. The \$175,000 would cover hiring that employee with benefits.

"After that, they're going to help us figure out if there are ways to grow the office, if we need to go find grant funding, if we can partner with other agencies like the county or Michigan State Police, those types of things," Spadafore explained.

Tiffany Lemieux-McKissic, Xavier McKissic's mother, said she's "hopeful" the new office will help curb the carnage, though she urged city leaders to ensure the effort is "authentic and not performative."

"This isn't the problem, this is a symptom," she said. "Part of what's missing is that kids don't have many positive things to do after school. They've been taking away basketball hoops, and we haven't added many positive community-building

efforts in their place." "These initiatives will not make a difference until we build community," she added. "We see all the violence, but the problem begins in a lack of community connection and a lack of valuing self and life. It's

a systemic issue that can't just be addressed with putting a Band-Aid on a head trauma. We need

to create more positive outlets before

these kids resort to violence." – **TYLER SCHNEIDER** and thriving youth and families.

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Indigenous or other people of color or organizations serving

BIPOC communities on projects and initiatives that address

racial disparities and promote equity. Grant applications can be accessed at lansingmi.gov/hrcs and can be submitted until

noon June 24. The fund is one of nine recommendations from

the Mayor's Racial Justice and Equity Alliance comprehensive

report. It will make awards in six categories: access to health and

wellness; economic stability; inclusion of people with diverse

abilities; inspiring arts and culture; sustainable environment;

bert Kahn Associates of Detroit will design it, while Freund &

Associates of Royal Oak will manage construction. They were

chosen through a request-for-proposals process. Albert Kahn

Associates is known for industrial architecture, clubs, hotels,

offices and many buildings for University of Michigan. It beat

out Studio Intrigue of Lansing and Neumann-Smith of Detroit.

Freund & Associates is a commercial construction company

founded by Lansing-area native and MSU grad Nick Freund. It

was chosen over three local construction firms: Clark, Christ-









1227 Clark St., Lansing

This 819-square-foot, three-bedroom home off the southwest corner of Bancroft Park recently changed hands when Christian Nwobu sold it to Dilara Lovely-Parveen for \$28,000 on March 15. Built in 1916, the property was red tagged and boarded up in early 2018, while Nwobu was penalized for continuing to rent it out without a proper rental certificate from the city. Nwobu bought the house from Wells Fargo for \$9,702 in 2016 after the latter bought it for \$76,090 in a sheriff's auction earlier that year. When he sold it this year, he still owned 17 other city Lansing properties that were either red- or pink-tagged for safety concerns. In the years since, the home has continued to face vandalism and was boarded up again in November 2022 and twice in 2023. Today, a smashed front window remains exposed, warranting yet another board-up charge. Efforts to contact Lovely-Parveen, who inherited \$307.50 in fines associated with the 2018 red tag designation, were unsuccessful.

- TYLER SCHNEIDER

"Eyesore of the Week" is our weekly look at some of the seedier properties in Lansing. It rotates with Public Art, by Bill Castanier. Have a suggestion? Email eye@lansingcitypulse. com or call in a nomination at 517-999-5061.

Kylete Owens, 17, was killed and six others ages 15 to 20 were injured in a shooting overnight Monday between Rotary Park and the Lansing Shuffle. Two victims, whose names have not been released, are in critical condition. No suspects have



been identified, but detectives were reviewing video footage from city-owned and private cameras. Police attributed the violence to members of two feuding groups at a late-night social gathering and said that the shooters fired indiscriminately into the crowd. The homicide is the eighth in Lansing since April 10.

Lansing Mayor Andy Schor said Tuesday that the city will



minors after Monday's mass shooting. Minors 12 and younger are required to be off the street 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., while the curfew for teens 13 to 16 is midnight. Exceptions include minors accompanied by parents or guardians, when they are on the sidewalk adjoining their

residence, or returning home from a school, religious, work or volunteer activity. Minors who are residents of other cities may travel through Lansing in a vehicle. Potential penalties include a fine of up to \$100, which can escalate for subsequent infractions up to \$500.

Brandon Labrie, 42, of Lansing, was arraigned Friday in 54A District Court on an open murder charge in the stabbing death of Cynthia Marek, 65. Marek and an unnamed victim were found in critical condition Thursday on the 2100 block of Bruce Avenue. Marek was pronounced dead at Sparrow Hospital. A judge denied bond for



Labrie, who will appear May 31 for a probable cause conference and June 7 for a preliminary hearing.



Lansing City Charter Commission members picked former City Council President Brian Jeffries as chair at its first meeting since they were elected on May 7. The nine commissioners picked Lori Adams Simon as

vice chair. They will meet twice a month at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays starting June 4. They will have about two and a half years to submit charter changes to the Governor's Office. If approved, the revisions will be placed on the ballot. If voters reject them, commissioners can try again twice more, or choose to disband permanently.

Mayor Andy Schor announced Thursday the creation of the Lansing Racial Equity Fund. The Lansing Human Relations



& Community Services Department will administer the fund, which will prioritize supporting organizations led by Black,

on her house during severe has filed a lawsuit against the neighbor for not maintaining the tree, the Lansing State Journal report-



ed The lawsuit claims the tree had been tagged by the city "as a potential danger and known risk, due to the tree's poor health and condition" and that the property owner, Tasha Canty, "failed to take any precautions to mitigate the risks." City spokesperson Scott Bean said that the city does not inspect or tag trees and has no record of city involvement with it, the Journal said.



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Ingham County Animal Control officers removed 58 cats from a home in the 4300 block of Aztec Way in Okemos Thursday. The shelter was seeking donations of cat food and non-clumping litter, which can be dropped off at the shelter at 600 Buhl Street in Mason.

Another county agency had gone to the home for a welfare check. The cats' owner

gave them up to the county and was cooperating with animal control.

The family of Vernita Payne of Lansing, killed last August when α neighbor's tree fell storms.

CITY OF EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE 1530

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND EAST LANSING CITY CODE

THE CITY OF EAST LANSING ORDAINS:

City of East Lansing City Code will be amended as follows: Chapter 32 – SIGNS

Sec. 32-6. - Signs not requiring a permit.

The following signs shall be excluded from the requirements of this chapter and shall not require annual licenses or permits for construction. Signs regulated under this section shall not be counted towards the total sign area permitted on any premises.

- (a) Any sign, traffic signal, or warning device erected or displayed by any public agency.
- (b) Vehicle-mounted signs which are either painted or permanently attached to a vehicle, provided the vehicle is capable of being legally driven on public streets and may be parked in any one location for no more than ten hours.
- (C) Signs or tablets when cut into a masonry surface or when constructed of bronze or other incombustible material and made an integral part of the building.
- (d) Seasonal decorations and signs placed in the public right-of-way, provided the dates and locations of placement shall be approved by the city manager.
- (c) Signs within parking and access facilities having a surface display area not more than three square feet and not exceeding five feet in height.
- (f) Signs not exceeding one square foot in surface display area and not exceeding three feet in height in the front of and facing parking spaces.
- (g) One double-faced freestanding or wall sign located within a construction zone, with a maximum limit of two signs per premises, subject to the following restrictions:
 - a. Signs shall be no more than five feet in height.
 - b. Signs shall not exceed 50 square feet in surface display area and shall be set back at least one foot from the nearest property line.
 - C. No sign shall be permitted in any district for more than 30 days after issuance of certificate of occupancy.
- (h) Yard signs not exceeding three and one-half feet in height or 24 square feet in surface display area per sign or 72 square feet aggregate surface display area for all such signs in residential areas.
- (1) One freestanding yard sign in a commercial zoning districts that does not exceed 15 square feet in surface display area per face, nor exceed 14 feet in height, and is set back at least 25 feet from the nearest existing or future curbline, or in the absence of the curbs, 25 feet from the nearest edge of the pavement. There shall be a limit of one, double-faced sign per property.
- (j) Signs maintained, established, or required by any federal, state or local agency, by a political subdivision of the State of Michigan, or by any state or local building code.
- (k) A single, portable, non-illuminated A-frame sign, displayed by a business only during the hours in which the business is open to the public and located with the sign facing the dominant pedestrian travel patterns; and which is no taller than four feet in height, no more than six square feet in each surface display area; and that does not decrease the width of the walkway to less than five feet unobstructed pathway. Any business located along a state highway must comply with state right-of-way restrictions.
- (1) A wall sign, not to exceed one square foot in size and not directly or indirectly illuminated in a single-family residential neighborhood.
- (m) On a property designated as a local, State, or National historic landmark, there may be up to one double-faced ground sign or one single-faced wall sign on the building, produced specifically for the purpose of recognizing the historic nature of the building or property. Such sign shall be positioned so as not to impact visibility of the structure or any architectural features, shall not be illuminated, and shall be subject to the review and approval of the Historic District Commission. Ground signs shall be set back at least 15 feet from the nearest curbline or edge of roadway, shall comply with clear vision requirements of Section 50-147(2) of City Code, and shall not exceed 16 square feet in size. Wall signs may be placed on the ground floor street-facing facade of the structure and shall not exceed 6 sq. ft. in size.
- (1) Tourist-oriented directional signs provided such signs are otherwise permitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation pursuant to PA 299 of 1996, as amended.
- (0) Temporary window signs located within a construction zone. Surface display area shall not be limited for temporary window signs. There shall be no limit

to the number of temporary window signs displayed. No temporary window sign shall be permitted for more than 30 days after issuance of certificate of occupancy.

(p) Temporary window signs for vacant commercial premises, vacant office and professional premises, or vacant premises located within the D.D.A. district. One or more temporary window sign shall be permitted. Temporary windows signs shall be permitted to cover all available window area during periods of tenant space vacancy. Temporary window signs shall be removed upon occupancy.

ARTICLE III. - SPECIFICATIONS FOR REGULATED SIGNS

Sec. 32-105. - Signs permitted for commercial premises, office and professional premises, or located within the D.D.A. district.

- (a) On all premises used or occupied for commercial purposes there shall be permitted the following signs:
 - (10) Electronic display signs. Commercial properties shall be allowed one electronic display sign on the premises, subject to the following requirements:
 - a. The illumination of the sign shall be limited to a brightness level no greater than the manufacturer's recommended levels and not to exceed 3,000 nits during daylight hours, and shall not exceed 0.3 footcandles over ambient lighting conditions from a half hour before sunset to a half hour after sunrise as measured from the recommended distance.
 - b. Measurements shall be done using an illuminance meter at the recommended distance, which varies by sign. The formula to find the measuring distance, in feet, is the square root of the sign area in square feet x 100. Measuring for enforcement purposes shall be performed by an approved third party following the recommended procedures of ASHRAE 9.4.3. Functional Testing.
 - C. The display shall not, or shall not appear to flash, pulse, or portray explosions, fireworks, or flashes of light. The display shall not appear to move toward or away from the viewer, expand or contract, spin, rotate, or twist. The message on the display shall remain in a fixed, static position for a minimum of eight seconds and shall change by means of a dissolve effect.
 - d. All electronic display signs must be equipped with a sensor or other device that automatically determines the ambient illumination and programmed to automatically dim according to ambient light conditions to comply with the 0.3- footcandle requirement.
 - e. All electronic display signs in any residentially zoned district or within 150 feet of a residentially zoned district that are directly visible from residential uses shall discontinue the display between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Chapter 50 – ZONING ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL Sec. 50-5. - Definitions, A through C.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Building height means the vertical distance from the average elevation of the street curb paralleling the front, or if on a street corner, the front and exposed side of the building, to the highest point of the building's roof surface if the roof is flat; to the deck line, if the roof is of the mansard type; or to the average height between the eaves and the ridge if the roof is gable, hip, or gambrel type.

For buildings set back from the street line, this vertical distance shall be taken above the average elevation of the finished grade along the facade of the building which faces the nearest public street, provided the building's distance from the street line is more than the average height of such finished grade above the established curb elevation.

Building height shall not include mechanical equipment, antennas, chimneys or similar devices which are placed on or extend above the roof, nor elevator shaft enclosures, nor solid screen walls or enclosed penthouses constructed on the roof to contain and enclose mechanical equipment or rooftop gardens and recreational facilities provided for residents or employees of the building which are designed and sufficiently set back from the outer edge of the roof to be inconspicuous.

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Building-Mounted Solar Energy Systems is a solar energy system that is attached to a building on a parcel as the principal method of physical support.

Building-Integrated Solar Energy Systems is a solar energy system that is an integral part of a building or structure (rather than a separate device), replacing or substituting for an architectural or structural component of the building or structure. Building-integrated systems include, but are not limited to, photovoltaic or hot water solar energy systems that are contained within roofing materials, windows, skylights, and awnings.

Carport energy system means a solar array that covers a required parking area.

Sec. 50-7. - Definitions, G through M.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Ground coverage means that part or percent of lot area included within the outside boundary lines of all buildings and structures located on the lot, including porches, decks, patios, breezeways, balconies, bay windows, paved drives and walks, and other area covered with impervious materials.

Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems is a freestanding solar energy system that is not attached, and is separate from, any building on the parcel of land.

Habitable room means a room designed for living and/or sleeping, excluding bathrooms, kitchens, dining areas, closets, hallways, and service areas.

Sec. 50-8. - Definitions, N through R.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Restaurant means all public places where food is cooked, prepared, provided, or served for human consumption.

Roof-Mounted Solar Energy Systems is a solar energy system mounted on racking that is attached to or ballasted on the roof of a building or structure.

Roomer means any person who engages a sleeping room in a rooming house or other dwelling for which a consideration is given.

Sec. 50-9. - Definitions, S through Z.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Solar energy systems means any equipment or structure used to harness radiant heat and/or light from the sun for heating, cooling, conversion to electricity, or other similar purposes.

- (1) Personal Scale Solar Energy Systems means any equipment or structure used to harness radiant heat and/or light from the sun for heating, cooling, conversion to electricity, or other similar purposes and which the system is an accessory use to the principal use of the site and where the sale and distribution of excess available energy is incidental to the primary use of the system.
- (2) Utility Scale Solar Energy Systems means a solar energy system or systems installed with its primary purpose being the sale of generated energy or excess energy for commercial sale, or its primary end user being a utility company.

State licensed residential facility means a structure constructed for residential purposes that is licensed by the state under the Adult Foster Care Facility Licensing Act, 1979 PA 218, MCL 400.701 to 400.737, or 1973 PA 116, MCL 722.111 to 722.128, and provides residential services for six or fewer persons under 24-hour supervision or care.

ARTICLE II. - ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 1. – GENERALLY Sec. 50-35. - Building permits.

- (a) Before proceeding with the erection, alteration, repair, moving, or removing of any building, or part thereof, an owner or his/her or its authorized agent shall obtain a permit from the building official. The applicant for a permit must file with his/her or its request a set of plans and written specifications sufficient to indicate clearly and fully the nature of the contemplated work and the kind and quality of materials to be used therein, together with an estimate of the cost. Drawings shall be made to scale not less than one-eighth inch equal to one foot, and shall indicate clearly the size of structural members, walls, and openings, the position of the building, and such other information as may be necessary to provide for the enforcement of these regulations. It shall be the duty of all lot owners to have located accurately all corners and boundaries of their properties prior to building thereon.
 - (1) Permits for or including Solar Energy systems must also include the property's energy usage over the last 12 months, the projected energy output of the installed energy system over a 12-month period, and all other information necessary for the building official to ensure that building, electrical, and safety codes are met.

ARTICLE III. - GENERAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS

Sec. 50-155. - Exterior lighting.

- A. Purpose. The purpose of this Section is to provide reasonable regulations to direct the location, design, illumination level and use of outdoor lighting, and interior lighting directed towards the exterior, to minimize its undesirable effects. Specifically, this Section is intended to promote the public health, safety and general welfare of the City of East Lansing by:
 - 1. Maintaining safe night-time driver performance on public streets by minimizing both brightly lit surfaces and lighting glare;
 - 2. Promoting lighting that provides security but protects the privacy of adjacent properties;
 - 3. Allowing lighting that is not unduly intrusive or a nuisance to nearby residents, property occupants, and drivers; and
 - 4. Eliminating intrusive artificial light and lighting that unnecessarily contributes to sky glow and energy consumption.

Exterior lighting in all zoning districts shall be subject to the following requirements:

(1) Maximum fixture height.

- a. When adjacent to non-residentially used or zoned properties, exterior light fixtures shall not be mounted higher than 25 feet above grade.
- b. When adjacent to residentially used or zoned properties, exterior light fixtures shall not be mounted higher than 15 feet above grade.
- (2) Cutoff angle of light fixtures.
 - a. All exterior light fixtures, including freestanding, canopy, pole, and building-mounted fixtures, as well as those used for single-family residential homes, shall be fully shielded and directed downward to prevent off-site glare and illumination. No portion of the lamp, reflector, lens, or refracting system may extend beyond the housing or shield, with the exception of pedestrian lighting. Interior light fixtures directed to the exterior of the building shall be subject to this requirement.
 - b. Canopy mounted light fixtures shall be recessed into the canopy so as to limit visibility from surrounding properties or the public right-of-way.
 - C. No lenses, lamps, or light sources shall be visible at the property line.
 - d. The planning and zoning administrator may approve decorative light fixtures as an alternative to shielded fixtures when it can be demonstrated that there shall be no off- site glare or illumination and the proposed fixtures will improve the appearance of the site.
- (3) Lighting intended to illuminate building facades shall be directed entirely at the building, with the cutoff angle designed to prevent light from spilling directly into the sky.
- (4) The intensity of light within a site shall not exceed ten (10) footcandles within any part of the site and one (1) footcandle at any lot line, except where it abuts or faces a Residential Zone District or residential use, a maximum of 0.5 footcandles is permitted. For vehicle fuel stations or outdoor vehicle sales areas, a maximum of twenty (20) footcandles may be approved on the site, subject to the requirements of Section 50-155(2)c. of this chapter.
- (5) To maintain uniformity in light levels across a development and prevent or minimize dark areas, the ratio of maximum to minimum lighting levels on a given lot is measured in footcandles at ground level, and shall not exceed a ratio of fifteen-See CP#24-529, Page 9

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to-one (15:1). Parking lots shall maintain the same uniformity ratios as the main building or principal use served.

Sec. 50-156. - Alternative energy generation systems.

(1) Solar energy systems (SES).

- Personal-scale solar energy systems shall be permitted in all zoning districts, subject to approval in section 50-35 of this chapter and the standards of the zoning district where they are being installed.
- b. All solar panels shall be constructed of non-reflective materials.
- C. Ground-mounted solar energy systems shall be permitted subject to approval under section 50-35 of this chapter and the following requirements:
 - No part of the system shall exceed fifteen feet at the highest point, measured from the ground to the top of the system when oriented at maximum tilt.
 - Systems in the rear and side yards shall be set back half the distance of the accessory building setback for the zoning district in which the system is located.
 - iii. No installation shall occur in the front yard of any lot unless approved as a special use in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Sections 50-93 and 50-94 of this chapter.
 - iv. If the area under the system is planted with native grasses or ground cover, a pollinator garden, rain garden, or other landscape materials approved by the planning and zoning administrator, the system shall not count against ground coverage requirements. Gravel or stone shall not be permitted.
 - v. Ground-mounted SES shall be screened from adjacent residential properties by landscaping, vegetation, fencing, or any combination thereof.
- d. Roof-mounted solar energy systems shall be permitted subject to approval under section 50-35 of this chapter and the following requirement:
 - i. Roof-mounted solar energy systems may not exceed the allowable height limit of the zone district by more than eighteen (18) inches.
- C. Wall-mounted solar energy systems shall be permitted subject to approval under section 50-35 of this chapter and the following requirement:
 - i. The system may project into a required rear or side yard up to half of the distance of the required setback. Systems proposed for front façade walls are prohibited unless approved as a special use in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Sections 50-93 and 50-94 of this chapter.
- Building-integrated solar energy systems shall be permitted subject to approval under section 50-35 of this chapter.

(2) Utility-scale solar systems.

- Utility-scale solar systems shall be permitted in the RA, Residential Agricultural district or C, Community Facilities district only, subject to approval of a site plan under section 50-36.
- **b.** A minimum of three acres shall be required for any utility-scale solar system site.
- C. All systems shall be designed and located in order to prevent reflective glare toward any inhabited buildings on adjacent properties as well as adjacent street rights-of-way. Landscape screening shall be provided at the edge of the property, as necessary, to further prevent glare that cannot be eliminated through design and location.
- d. If the area under any ground mounted system is planted with grasses or other landscape materials, the system shall not count against ground coverage requirements. Gravel or stone shall not be permitted.
- e. No part of the system shall exceed 20 feet in height at the highest point.
- f. All roads and access facilities shall be paved in accordance with the standards in section 50-816.
- (3) Energy storage systems of any size shall be subject to local building and fire code requirements.

Marie Wicks East Lansing City Clerk

CP#24-529

Republicans believe the economy is bad, when the numbers show that it's not

We've all heard the tired phrase from the 1992 presidential campaign: "It's the economy, stupid." Back then, it was James Carville

laying the groundwork for how Bill Clinton would go on to unseat then-President George H.W. Bush.

Ross Perot had his charts and Bush had his international

victories in Kuwait and the Middle East, but the economy wasn't good, Carville said.

The country was in a recession. Unemployment was high. White-collar workers' jobs were at risk. Production was down.

By historical standards, the recession was mild. But it wasn't until December 1992 that economists bookended the mini-recession as having occurred between July 1990 and March 1991.

That's right, for the entire year of 1992, the United States wasn't in a recession at all, but voters felt as if they were in one. That's all that mattered.

Bush was fingered for running the economy into the ground. Unemployment was hovering around 7.5 percent all year.

Bush lost. Clinton won.

Today's history lesson sets the stage for today's message: A person's truth is a person's reality.

By the numbers, the U.S. economy isn't bad.

The unemployment rate hasn't crested over 4% in nearly two and a half years. The inflation rate hasn't been above 4% in a year.

The gross domestic product has been up seven straight quarters and 13 of the last 15. The COVID-19 recession? That ended three years ago.

Sure, the housing market is hot. Good, affordable housing is tough to find. But none of the traditional economic indicators show a crappy economy or that one is coming soon.

Don't take my word for it. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Census Bureau have all this data handy if you're interested in a five-minute Google search.

Most aren't. For them, the economy is what they want it to be.

A person's truth is a person's reality.

The Glengariff Group released data this week through the Detroit

Regional Chamber that showed that nearly a quarter of voters (23.5%) believe the country's inflation rate is higher than 8%. A 59% majority believe inflation is over 4%, when it is not.

Only 23.8% correctly pinned it as being between 2% and 4%.

Another 61.1% believe the economy is weakening or we're in a recession. In fact, we are not, nor is there conclusive data to show a recession is around the corner.

Unfortunately, there's a link between a person's political leanings and their perceptions on the economy, according to the Glengariff data.

A startling 90.5% of Republicans believe the economy is weakening. By comparison, Democrats, by a 2 to 1 margin, believe the economy in May 2024 is growing, not weakening.

Maybe Republicans are experiencing something different than Democrats? Maybe today's economy isn't working for them.

To that, here's a new stat: Only 14.3% say they are concerned about losing their current job. In November, that number was higher, 20.9%.

Here's another one, only 21.4% of people say they've personally had trouble finding a job. That's down a tick or two from November's percentage of 23.9%.

Are Republicans having trouble finding a job?

Again, the polling numbers would say no. The demographic having the hardest time finding a job tend to be young, Black urbanites, who. by and large are Democrats, to the extent they vote at all.

Then it must be inflation, right? Well ... not really.

The final Glengariff number I'll share has a 38.1% plurality of voters believe inflation is getting worse. That's more than May 2023 (26.1%) or May 2022 (28%).

In June 2022, U.S. inflation hit 9%, a 40-year high. We're at around 3.4% this May.

Inflation isn't on the verge of hitting 9% next month. Most people aren't hurting for jobs.

We do have an election in 160 days.

The numbers show the Republicans want to make their truth the reality.

(Email Kyle Melinn of the Capitol news service MIRS at melinnky@ gmail.com.)



KYLE MELINN

ARTS & CULTURE And ART-BOKS-FILM-MISIC Carving out a community of artists

Lansing Area Printmakers' Collective 'always ready for a project'



The Lansing Area Printmakers' Collective gathers to begin assembling tiles for its latest project, an alphabet.

Photos by Raymond Holt

By CHELSEA LAKE ROBERTS

The Lansing Area Printmakers' Collective, or Lino Ladies for short, recently finished its latest project: an alphabet.

"Maybe two months ago, Laura came in and said she had an idea: We would each take a few letters and design them," group member Cindy Lounsbery said.

Laura DeLind, the group's founder, couldn't be happier with the result.

"It's so much fun to see how everybody's style comes through and how nicely the letters work as a complete piece," she said.

Group member Martha Brownscombe agreed.

"That's the joy of it, that everybody comes to the same material but gets very different results," she said.

Each letter was created on a 5-by-5-inch block through the process of linoleum cutting, or linocut, a meth-

od of relief printing. According to the group's website, relief

printing, considered to be the oldest form of printmaking, involves cutting areas away from a smooth sur-



Ruth Egnater puts finishing touches on one of her tiles.

face, leaving an image that forms the final printing surface. Ink is applied to this surface, and it's then pressed,

much like a stamp, onto paper, fabric or other mediums to obtain a printed im-

age. The finished print is a mirror image of the original carving.

Group member Kate McNenly



took printmaking classes in college and returned to linocut after a career as a graphic designer. Although she also sketches and paints, she said she loves the linocut process "because it introduces simplicity and the recognition of what I think good composition has to be: the line, the dark, the white, the value. And when you do it in black and white, it's pretty obvious."

Like the rest of the Lino Ladies, McNenly joined the group after attending DeLind's beginners' linocut classes at the now-defunct Grove Gallery in East Lansing.

"When the classes were over and I had taught them all the basics, I still wanted to work with them," DeLind said. "They inspired me. Everybody





The finished tiles are aligned and glued to a base.

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had a different approach to the materials, and we did a lot of laughing and chatting. It was so good for the soul. It not only helped emotionally but artistically as well."

Around that time, DeLind was also working with local poet Anita Skeen.

"One day, I left a print on her windshield," DeLind said. "She saw it and responded with a poem. We played back and forth, doing a call and response, just for the fun and joy of it."

This collaboration resulted in a book featuring Skeen's poetry and DeLind's linocut prints of birds, "The Unauthorized Audubon," which was published in 2014. Then, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Skeen and DeLind began collaborating again.

"This time, she started with a

poem, and I responded with a print," DeLind said. "That gave me a purpose and a connection and an enjoyment that I

"Even the Least of These"

Everybody Reads 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing

everybodyreadsbooks.com

"Even the Least of These"

Bestsellers Books & Coffee Co.

360 S. Jefferson St., Mason

bestsellersbookstore.com

book launch

Saturday, June 1

(517) 346-9900

reading

June 5

5-7 p.m.

(517) 676-6648

1-3 p.m.

otherwise." The pair traded poems and prints for two years, resulting in a new book, "Even the Least of These." They'll celebrate the release of the book from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday (June 1) at Everybody Reads and 5 to 7 p.m. June 5 at Bestsellers Books & Coffee Co. in Mason.

wouldn't have had

DeLind said ar-

tistic collaborations "can be serious, but they also have to be joyful." She's been delighted to see how the rest of the Lino Ladies have evolved their Rollers of different sizes are used to apply ink to the raised sections of the tiles.

artistic practices over the last decade. Brownscombe came to the group

> as an accomplished weaver. She began printing on textiles and eventually started creating large-scale prints on items she created on her loom.

"It's a way bigger scale," Brownscombe said.

Other members dethey've scribed how experimented with different mediums throughout the learning process. Lounsbery said, "I've always been dabbling in art of different kinds: eco-printing, hand-painted silk

scarves and now lino-printing on the silk. I've tried weaving, pottery, a little bit of everything. My work is definitely influenced by graphic design. I like to stylize things."

Lounsbery said participating in the group has been an important part of her artistic life.

"I just can't believe I found this group. It's been the most wonderful thing. We all get along fabulously, and during some of our meetings, we just laugh until we're almost rolling on the floor. We share ideas, and it's a great way to learn new techniques," she said. "We have to give kudos to Laura for starting this group, keeping us going and finding space for us to work."

The Lino Ladies meet regularly at the upstairs portion of Bestsellers Books & Coffee Co., where they've been printing for about five years.

"Bestsellers has been the catalyst

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Special printing paper is applied to the inked tiles. Great care is taken to make solid contact without smearing the print.



The finished linocut print.

Ms. Laura's Art Gallery offers accessibility for emerging artists

By TYLER SCHNEIDER



Ms. Laura's Art Gallery

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pieces. Ray took the advice to heart and began selling her paintings online and at area festivals in 2011 under the banner of Ms. Laura's Art. She continued to do so through 2018,

Laura Ray took

2009 as an outlet

during her battle

with breast cancer.

As her art began to

pile up in her home,

someone suggest-

ed she should try

to sell some of the

up

painting in

when she opened her own gallery in the REO Town Marketplace.

Due to health issues, her first stint at the marketplace lasted less than a year, but she reopened the gallery on March 1 in order to make extra money while being able to set flexible hours. A grand opening event was held on May 18.

"It's a little bigger than it was last

time, and I'm probably going to have to expand again soon because I'm full already," she said.

In addition to her own work, the gallery also features pieces by nine other artists.

"Some are more popular and wellknown, but I try to find artists who are just getting started and haven't had an opportunity to really put their art out there yet. I try to help them figure out whether it's a good idea to keep doing what they're doing," she said.

All the art is for sale, and participating artists receive 70% of the profit on their pieces. Once their art is on display, Ray asks that they wait at least three months before taking it down.

"I want to give people the best opportunity to sell their stuff, but sometimes it takes me a little while to figure out how to properly advertise and market it," she explained.

The gallery consists of much more than just paintings. Ray also makes earrings and other jewelry, while other artists offer pottery, recycled-metal art and other unique creations.

Ray grew up in Suttons Bay and moved to Lansing as a teenager in the 1980s. While she raised her children and has spent the majority of her life



Laura Ray poses with some of her paintings, on display and available for purchase at her newly opened gallery in the REO Town Marketplace.

here, she said her upbringing remains a chief source of inspiration.

"I spent a lot of time in the Upper Peninsula when I was little, so I think a lot of my art has a lot to do with that," she said. "Living in the city now, I still have a great fondness for the country and find myself painting the country a lot." for other artists who relate to that sentiment. "I think that the difference between

Bob Ross." She aims to provide space

"I think that the difference between mine and other galleries is that if somebody wants an opportunity, they can have one here," she said. "I want to be able to be self-sufficient, and I also want to be able to help other people along, so this is close to my heart."

Ray considers herself "an untaught

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as to why we continue to exist," Mc-Nenly said. "There's no way that

anybody wants to dedicate their home to making linocuts because it requires so much cleanup. But Bestsellers has done so much to give us a home and get us involved in the local community."

Numerous members made sure to mention

the hospitality of the bookstore, which hosted the printmaking event Mason INK! last summer in partnership with the Lino Ladies. The main event featured large-scale printmaking in the street, accomplished with an asphalt roller. The pieces were sold at a silent auction in the bookstore, and proceeds benefited an art scholarship for a Mason-area high school student.

This year, the Lino Ladies decided to take a break from putting on

> a large event, but they're considering hosting something again next summer.

Although the group isn't open to the public, DeLind occasionally invites others to "laugh and carve" with the ladies or teach them a new technique.

"We keep evolving," she said. "We're always ready for a project, an enterprise. Sometimes they're big. When we work together, remarkable things happen."





Work by the Lino Ladies is on display at the LowellArts Gallery through June 22, part of a collective exhibition by three groups of artists.



"Flying Fish," by Laura DeLind, at the LowellArts Gallery.

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10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Friday Noon-5 p.m. Saturday LowellArts Gallery 223 W. Main St., Lowell (616) 897-8545 lowellartsmi.org www.lansingcitypulse.com



'Some kind of alchemy' Kevin Cosgrove's Stone Circle Bakehouse follows a new thread

By LAWRENCE COSENTINO

A Celtic knot with a striking resemblance to a loaf of challah is stamped into the heat-blasted keystone of Kevin Cosgrove's 18,000-pound wood-fired oven.

If knots symbolize the thread of life with their intertwined beginnings and endings, Cosgrove is finding himself at both ends these days. After 15 years of making and distributing a dizzying variety of baked goods to Lansing-area restaurants, stores and farmers markets, the founder and principal baker of Stone Circle Bakehouse is talking about retiring sometime soon and handing the business off to someone younger.

Yet he's also at the top of his game, building on years of enthusiastic word of mouth to draw lines of devoted customers at the Allen and Meridian Township farmers markets each week.

Despite his talk of retirement, Cosgrove still sees himself at the beginning of the rope.

"I'm still getting used to things," he declared. "Each and every time you touch some dough or experiment with some product, you have a better understanding, and it all piles on."



Kevin Cosgrove sells a variety of breads and pastries at the Meridian Township Farmers Market each Saturday during the summer months.

Cosgrove's early career left little room for personal expression. A native of Sioux City, Iowa, he worked in the food and beverage side of the hospitality industry, traveling from one newly opened hotel to the next and staying in each place for a year or two.

He came to Michigan for work

and ended up buying a house and starting a family. But his Michigan job showed signs of winding down, and he needed some other way to help his wife support the family.

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In classic Irish fashion, he tied the necessity of the moment to a longtime passion: baking.

"I bought some books, started experimenting with some ovens and went to a couple of extended workshops to get a sense of what it really meant, up close and personal," he said. "I've been experimenting since."

After a year and a half of trying out different products and selling them at select local stores like Foods for Living, he made his first official "bake" under the rubric of Stone Circle Bakehouse on Jan. 8, 2009.

"I took a big leap," he said. "My wife and I sold our family house and bought an old farmhouse where I put my bakery. It was quite a commitment. We were all in."

He liked the rustic ring of the name Stone Circle, plucked from a list of archaeological sites in an old Irish travelogue book.

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He wasn't looking for a sign from the heavens to confirm the choice, but he got one anyway.

In his first year with the woodfired oven, he noticed that each day, the rays of the newly risen sun progressed further along the curved arch of masonry on top.

Precisely on the spring equinox not one day before or one day after — the inside of the oven was illuminated for five minutes.

Such is the magic of baking. Cosgrove invoked the words of master baker Jeffrey Hamelman, a former instructor at the King Arthur Baking School and author of "Bread: A Baker's Book of Techniques and Recipes."

"He would talk about the awe you feel when you open up the oven and see those lumps of dough that you put into the oven 40 minutes earlier bloom into these nicely colored, burnished, mahogany-looking loaves," Cosgrove said. "You know full well that some kind of alchemy, some kind of magic is taking place, and you think, 'Wow, was I involved with that process in some way?" Those feelings never go away."

Bread was a Stone Circle staple from the start, but pastries and desserts came later.

Matt Angell, a New York City pas-



try school graduate, has worked at Stone Circle for about 10 years.

"Up to then, I hadn't done a lot of sweet things, but Matt's done a great job rolling that program out, and people sure like it," Cosgrove said.

Among the most popular items are chocolate rye cookies, baguettes, galettes (flat, round pastries with an endless variety of toppings), Pugliese (rustic Italian bread that appears to be made of cooled lava from Mount Vesuvius) and croissants with "flavors that aren't necessarily traditional," Cosgrove said.

"Focaccia is really what got us into that creative mindset," he said. "It opens you up to the possibilities of other flavor combinations. Focaccia sets you free."

Focaccias are also a great way to utilize local fruits and vegetables.

"Right now, we're working with a lot of rhubarb because there's a lot of it available," Cosgrove said. "But as the season goes on, cherries become available, or blueberries or peaches, and that translates into all kinds of pastries, which are just a bunch of fun."

Cosgrove uses organic ingredients and fresh fruits and vegetables from local sources whenever possible.

Stone Circle baked goods are currently on the shelves at Foods for Living, Hooked, the Capital City Market, Horrocks, the Eastside Lansing Food Co-op, Campbell's Market Basket in East Lansing, Monticello's in Haslett and the Allen and Meridian Township farmers markets.

Cosgrove also does wholesale restaurant business with the People's Kitchen, Capital Prime, Good Bites and Picnic food trucks and several Michigan State University dorms.

Stone Circle products are also a staple of several area community-supported agriculture programs, including Swallowtail Farm in Ma-



Nicole Noechel/City Pulse

Stone Circle employee Julie Levy-Weston (left) helps Cosgove attend to a line of customers at the Meridian Township Farmers Market on Saturday (May 25).



A Celtic knot with a striking resemblance to a loaf of challah is stamped into the heat-blasted keystone of Stone Circle Bakery's 18,000-pound wood-fired oven.

son, Titus Farms in Leslie and the Allen Neighborhood Center's Veggie Box program. The Stone Circle stand is often the busiest at the two farmers markets Cosgrove attends.

"We've built up a lot of momentum, but it takes a lot of years of creating relationships with people to get them to come back again and again, so they trust you and what you're selling," he said.

Cosgrove admires the Allen Neighborhood Center's tightly knotted fusion of community and food and loves his Wednesday afternoons at the farmer's market.

"As bakers, we get locked up in a fairly small, hot space for hours on end," he said. "All of a sudden, you break out of that, put some products in a basket, take them to the farmer's market, have conversations with people you've grown to know over the years, and it's like a family. It's such a kick that people let you participate in their world."

Cosgrove enjoys gardening and photography, but working long hours from sunup to sundown hasn't let him get to much of that lately.

"It's getting close for me to retire," he mused. "I'd like to try to pass this business on, if it's possible, and see if I can't move down the road and leave it in someone's hands. As far as me, I'm going to go garden and take some pictures and such."



2024 area farmers markets

Peckham Farmstand

May-October 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday 5408 W. Grand River Ave., Lansing (517) 316-4050 peckham.org/our-businesses/ peckham-farms

Allen Farmers Market

Year-round Summer season: May 29-Oct. 30 3-6:30 p.m. Wednesday Allen Neighborhood Center 1629 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing (517) 367-2468 allenneighborhoodcenter.org/market

Charlotte Artisans and Farmers Market

May 30-Oct. 31 2-6 p.m. Thursday Beach Market 120 W. Lovett St., Charlotte (517) 543-0400 facebook.com/ charlotteartisansandfarmersmarket

South Lansing Farmers Market

May 30-Oct. 17 3-7 p.m. Thursday Feeders Pet Supply parking lot 5016 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Lansing (517) 614-9035 southlansing.org/FarmersMarket

Bath Farmers Market

May 30-Oct. 31 3-6:30 p.m. Thursday James Couzens Memorial Park 13753 Main St., Bath (517) 641-6728 shopbfm.org

Afterglow Market

May 31-Sept. 27 6-10 p.m. Friday Lansing Shuffle 325 Riverfront Drive, Lansing facebook.com/afterglowmkt

Meridian Township Farmers Market

Year-round Summer Season: June 1-Oct. 30 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday 3-7 p.m. Wednesday Marketplace on the Green 1995 Central Park Drive, Okemos (517) 712-2395 meridian.mi.us/farmersmarket

Market on the Grand

June 1-Sept. 28 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday Jaycee Park 525 E. River St., Grand Ledge (517) 627-2383 grandledgechamber.com/market_ on_the_grand.php

Eaton Rapids Community Market

June 1-Sept. 28 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday Hamlin Street, downtown Eaton Rapids facebook.com/ERFarmersMarket

Old Red Mill Farmers Market

June 1-Sept. 21 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday The Red Mill Pavilion 450 N. Water St., Portland facebook.com/ OldRedMillFarmersMarket

Holt Farmers Market

Year-round 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday 2150 N. Cedar St., Holt (517) 268-0024 holtfarmersmarket.org

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June 2-Sept. 29 (outdoor) 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday Roosevelt Row, downtown Laingsburg June 6-Oct. 3 (indoor) 5-8 p.m. Thursday First Congregational Church 401 E. Grand River Road, Laingsburg (517) 295-8128 laingsburgbusiness.org/ farmers-market-1

Eastern Ingham Farmers Market

June 2-Oct. 13 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday McCormick Park 123 High St., Williamston (517) 618-1630 easterninghamfarmersmarket.org

DeWitt Farmers Market

June 4-Oct. 8 4-7 p.m. Tuesday North Bridge Street, downtown DeWitt (517) 624-0286 dda.dewittmi.gov/farmers-market

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Kids play with bubbles and hula hoops at the year-round Allen Farmers Market.

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Dimondale Farmers Market

June 6-Sept. 26 3-7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 3-24 3-6 p.m. Thursday Village Square 136 N. Bridge St., Dimondale (517) 646-0230 villageofdimondale.org/general-3

St. Johns Farmers Market

June 8-Oct. 28 8 a.m.-noon Saturday 100 Maple St., St. Johns (989) 227-1717 facebook.com/ SaintJohnsFarmersMarket

Perry Historical Society Farmers Market

June 8, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12 9 a.m.-noon



Photo by Krysta James Craig Koenigsknecht of For the Love of Grain bakery prepares to greet customers at opening day of the Eastern Ingham Farmers Market on May 12.

Calkins-Macqueen House 127 E. First St., Perry perryhistoricalsociety.com

Market at the Moon

June 12, July 10, Aug. 14 5-8 p.m. Blue Moon Ice Cream Shop 9448 E. M-21, Ovid (989) 834-3021 facebook.com/lovemybluemoon

Westside Lansing Farmers Market June 15-Oct. 26 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday



Union Missionary Baptist Church

Farmers Markets at the Capitol

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Eagle Township, Clinton County Board Meeting Synopsis

May 16, 2024, at 6:06 pm - Present: Supervisor Stroud, Clerk Briggs-Dudley, Treasurer C. Hoppes, Trustee M. Hoppes and 25 citizens. Absent: Trustee Strahle.

- Board Actions:
 - 1) Approved agreement for grant writing services with Clinton County Catalyst.
 - 2) Approved changes to the Future Land Use Map for the draft Master Plan.
 - 3) Approved distribution of the draft Master Plan.
 - 4) Approved Interim Zoning Ordinance Amendment 03-2024.
 - 5) Approved bills for May 2024.
 - 6) Approved Clinton County Road Commission contract for Tallman Rd.
 - 7) Approved paint/stain and power wash of the Eagle Township Hall.
 - 8) Approved window cleaning at the Eagle Township Hall.
 - 9) Approved implementing BS&A accounting software.
 - 10) Denied requested dispute of fire run charges.
 - 11) Approved purchase of new maps for the Board of Review.
 - 12) Approved budget amendments for the updated chart of accounts.

A complete copy of the minutes is available by contacting Laurie Briggs-Dudley, Clerk. Next regular meeting of the Eagle Township Board is June 20, 2024, at 6 pm at Eagle Township Hall, 14318 Michigan St, Eagle, MI. See www.eagletownship.org for latest updates.

Prepared by: Approved by: Laurie Briggs-Dudley, Eagle Township Clerk Troy Stroud, Eagle Township Supervisor

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY LEGAL AD NOTICE: TOWNSHIP BOARD TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL MEETING 5151 MARSH ROAD, OKEMOS MI 48864 517.853.4000 TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2024, 4:00 PM

Notice is hereby given that the Meridian Township Board, Charter Township of Meridian will conduct a special meeting in the Meridian Municipal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, on Tuesday, June 6, 2024, at 4:00 pm to interview the finalists for the open Trustee position.

The meeting agenda and packet will be posted on the Township webpage at www.meridian.mi.us

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Get schooled on Ingham County's historic one-room schoolhouses

By BILL CASTANIER

Imagine a teacher giving a solo lecture about American history to a class of students ranging in age from 6 to 13. At one-room schoolhouses, teachers were responsible for everything, from stoking fires to writing lesson plans on the blackboard each day. Older children acted as mentors, and solitary studying was required. Discipline often came in the form of a yardstick.

In its history, 155 one-room dotted schoolhouses Ingham County. The county's Historical Commission has published a comprehensive guide on the subject, "Ingham County Rural One-Room Schools," which can be ordered on Amazon.

Editor Audrey Z. Martini, who spent years compiling the information for the book, will speak at an event hosted by the Historical Society of Greater Lansing at 1 p.m. Saturday (June 1) at the Library of

"Ingham County

Rural One-Room

Library of Michigan 702 W. Kalamazoo St., Lansing

lansinghistory.org

Saturday, June 1

1 p.m.

Schools" book talk

Michigan's Lake Erie Room. Books will be for sale in the Michigan History Museum's gift shop on the first floor.

Most of the schools were in rural areas, and children walked to school since school buses had vet to be introduced. Most schools were also heated by

wood, and in exchange for totes of wood, parents would get a discount on tuition, Martini said.

Some schools were founded in

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Today, most have been torn down or converted into public museums or homes. Except for tattered composite photographs of classes, most of the history has been lost. The last operating one-room schoolhouse in Ingham County, White Dog School in Williamston, closed in 1966. A headline in the local newspaper read, "White Dog Snaps, Bite Gone."

Martini said approximately 50 former one-room schoolhouses still stand in Ingham County, and 30 of them are residences.

Martini herself attended a oneroom school, the Bachelor School in Bunker Hill Township, starting in 1952 as a "beginner," which was equivalent to kindergarten. Stock-

bridge later annexed the area, and the school was closed in 1958.

"My mother was also a teacher, and she was upset I was going to a country school with outhouses in terrible condition. She was bound and determined to close the school," Martini said.

Today, like many other surviving one-room schoolhouses, the Bachelor School is privately owned and used for storage.

Martini visited all 155 former schools while writing the book, which includes 200 photographs sourced from private sources and Capital Area District Libraries' Local History collection. Each school was given two pages, including an exterior photograph of the school and an interior shot when available. When not, maps were used to show locations.

"Locations for the schools were mostly determined by the locations of settlements. In 1827, territorial law mandated that settlements with 50 or more families were to have a public school, and residents could petition for one," Martini said.

Lansing had three one-room schoolhouses, which were more like shanties and only lasted for a short time.

"It was a real challenge to sort out Lansing's one-room schoolhouses," Martini said. The earliest one, Union School, was in what was called the Lower Village, now called Old Town, and was constructed in 1847. In 1851, it was replaced by the Cedar Street School.

The book also includes 20 pages of teacher names, listed by school.

"My teacher was Roscoe Spencer, and word was he was sent to the school to straighten the boys out," Martini said.

For her, the most fruitful part of putting the book together was talking to people who attended the schools and listening to their stories. One of the most difficult parts was deciphering the old records, which were often inconsistent or straight-up wrong.

Today, one-room schoolhouses are often romanticized. An old song goes:

School days, school days Dear old Golden Rule days

Readin' and 'ritin' and 'rithmetic Taught to the tune of the hickory stick.

knew existed!



Courtesv photo Historian Audrey Z. Martini, an attendee of a one-room schoolhouse herself. spent years compiling the information for the Ingham County Historical Commission's new book, "Ingham County Rural One-Room Schools."

Ingham County Rural One-Room Schools





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CBD conversion oil harms operators and consumers alike

By CHRIS SILVA

"Hot dog water" is a tongue-incheek term for cannabis distillate used by some industry insiders, referencing that the substance is cheaply made and most often sourced from the remnants of leaves, stalks and stems from past harvests. Distillate is the base for most edibles, vape cartridges and topicals.

As Michigan's market continues to mature and consumers branch out from flower, these segments are growing, and the competition is getting fierce. The race to the bottom on pricing and quality is happening just as much in the edible and vape games as it is in flower cultivation. Retailers have been flooded with cheaper-than-usual distillate-based products recently, and many in the industry are pointing to CBD conversion oil as one of the main reasons for the influx.

CBD conversion oil starts its life cycle as hemp, which has a negligent amount of delta-9 THC, the chemical that causes a typical high. Hemp is federally legal, it's grown outdoors by the acre in many places, and the regulatory oversight required to grow and sell it is far less intense and much less expensive than it is for cannabis. To make CBD conversion oil, the CBDrich cannabinoids are extracted from hemp and exposed to different acids that convert the CBD into delta-8 THC, which has a psychoactive effect.

You've probably seen delta-8 THC

products in head shops, gas stations or even direct-to-consumer websites. They'll definitely get you high, but the regulatory oversight is so lax that consumers are taking a gamble as far as quality and safety go. These products are sold outside the state's legal cannabis market and don't have to comply with the state's oftentimes stringent regulations. They're also significantly cheaper to produce, so they're being used to undercut legal-market operators.

Aside from the full-on assault being waged at questionable gas stations across the state, nefarious actors are almost certainly backdooring products made with CBD conversion oil into the legal market. Recently, Infinite Chemical Analysis Labs, a state-regulated testing lab, estimated that as much as 30% of the Michigan legal market's distillate-based products contain CBD conversion oil, or in some cases non-psychoactive MCT oil, which is being used by profiteering producers to thin out distillate. This finding helps bring the rock-bottom prices of distillate-based products into focus.

Brian Hanna, executive director of the state Cannabis Regulatory Agency, has indicated at many speaking events that the agency is aware of the proliferation of CBD conversion oil and that a crackdown is imminent. Many industry insiders believe this is another issue a state-run compliance lab would be able to tackle, but a lot of businesses are frustrated and wel-



come any proposals on how to crack down on the use of conversion oil.

Melanie Lavender, director of business operations at cultivation, processing and retail operation Evolution Brands, said, "Compromised distillate is running rampant in our industry. The good players in cannabis need to stand up to those not-so-savory people who like to cut corners to line their pockets with money at the cost of the masses."

She said Evolution is launching a campaign to inform its customers that they're guaranteed not to receive tainted or backdoor products.

All of this will be interesting to see play out. In short, it all goes back to the theme of many of my pieces: You get what you pay for. Along with basically ripping off consumers, the use of CBD conversion oil in both the legal and extralegal markets is helping ensure that only established companies with large cash reserves have a chance in the extract-based product sector. I implore consumers to ask their budtenders about how the oil is sourced in products they're looking to buy. Consumer pressure will go a long way in deterring low-quality products in the future.



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Vapes and gummies made with CBD conversion oil, derived from legal hemp, can be found alongside nicotine products at head shops and gas stations across the country. At this shop in Georgia, brands include Cake and Flying Monkey.

By Matt Jones

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"50%" -- half of them are the same. by Matt Jones © 2024 Matt

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Free Will Astrology By Rob Brezsny

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Welcome to the future of your education, Aries! Here are actions you can take to ensure you are exposed to all the lush lessons you need and deserve in the coming months. 1. Identify three subjects you would be excited to learn more about. 2. Shed dogmas and fixed theories that interfere with your receptivity to new information. 3. Vow to be alert for new guides or mentors. 4. Formulate a three-year plan to get the training and teachings you need most. 5. Be avidly curious.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Poet Emily Dickinson was skillful at invoking and managing deep feelings. One scholar described her emotions as being profoundly erotic, outlandish, sensuous and nuanced. Another scholar said she needed and sought regular doses of ecstasy. Yet even she, maestro of passions, got overwhelmed. In one poem, she wondered "why floods be served to us in bowls." I suspect you may be having a similar experience, Taurus. It's fun, though sometimes a bit too much. The good news is that metaphorically speaking, you will soon be in possession of a voluminous new bowl that can accommodate the floods.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): All of us periodically enjoy phases I call "Freedom from Cosmic Compulsion." During these times, the Fates have a reduced power to shape our destinies. Our willpower has more spaciousness to work with. Our intentions get less resistance from karmic pressures that, at other times, might narrow our options. As meditated on you, dear Gemini, I realized you are now in a phase of Freedom from Cosmic Compulsion. I also saw that you will have more of these phases than anyone else during the next 11 months. It might be time for you to get a "LIBERATION" tattoo or an equivalent new accessory.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Bold predictions: 1. Whatever treasure you have lost or are losing will ultimately be reborn in a beautiful form. 2. Any purposeful surrender you make will hone your understanding of exactly what your soul needs next to thrive. 3. A helpful influence may fade away, but its disappearance will clear the path for new helpful influences that serve your future in ways you can't imagine yet. 4. Wandering around without a precise sense of where you're going will arouse a robust new understanding of what home means to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Denmark's King Canute IV (1043-1086) wasn't bashful about asserting his power. He claimed ownership of all the land. He insisted on the right to inherit the possessions of all foreigners and people without families. Goods from shipwrecks were automatically his property. But once, his efforts to extend his authority failed He had his servants move his throne to a beach as the tide came in. Seated and facing the North Sea, he commanded, "Halt your advance!" The surf did not obey. "You must surrender to my superior will!" he exclaimed, but the waters did not recede. Soon, his throne was engulfed by water. Humbled, Canute departed. I bring this up not to discourage you, Leo. I believe you can and should expand your influence and clout in the coming weeks. Just be sure you know when to stop.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Virgo-born Irène Joliot-Curie craved more attention than she got from her mother, Marie Curie. Mom was zealously devoted to her career as a chemist and physicist, which is one reason why she won Nobel Prizes in both fields. But she didn't spend sufficient time with her daughter. Fortunately, Irène's grandfather Eugène became his granddaughter's best friend and teacher. With his encouragement, she grew into a formidable scientist and eventually won a Nobel Prize in chemistry herself. Even if you're not a kid, Virgo, I suspect there may be a mentor and guide akin to Eugène in your future. Go looking! To expedite the process, define what activity or skill you want help in developing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): I have a fantasy that sometime in the coming months, you will slip away to a sanctuary in a pastoral paradise. There, you will enjoy long hikes, immerse yourself in healing music and savor books you've been wanting to read. Maybe you will write your memoirs or compose deep messages to dear old friends. Here's the title of what I hope will be a future chapter of your life story: "A Thrillingly Relaxing Getaway." Have you been envisioning an adventure like this, Libra? Or is your imagination more inclined to yearn for a trip to an exciting city where you will exult in high culture? I like that alternative, too. Maybe you will consider doing both.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An Instagrammer named sketchesbyboze advises us, "Re-enchant your life by making the mundane exciting. You are not 'going to the drugstore.' You are visiting the apothecary to buy potions. You are not 'running an errand. You are undertaking an unpredictable adventure. You are under taking an unprecidence average of the birds.' You are making an alliance with the crow queen." I endorse this counsel for your use, Scorpio. You now have the right and duty to infuse your daily rhythm with magic and fantasy. To attract life's best blessings, you should be epic and majestic. Treat your life as a mythic quest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): I invite you to invite new muses into your life in the coming months. Give them auditions. Interview them. Figure out which are most likely to boost your creativity, stimulate your imagination and rouse your inspiration in every area of your life, not just your art form. Tell them you're ready to deal with unpredictable departures from the routine as long as these alternate paths lead to rich teachings And what form might these muses take? Could be actual humans. Could be animals or spirits. Might be ancestral voices, exciting teachings or pilgrimages to sacred sanctuaries. Expand your concept of what a muse might be so you can get as much muse-like input as possible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The Japanese have a word for a problem that plagues other countries as well as theirs: "karoshi," or death from working too hard and too much. No matter how high minded our motivations might be, no matter how interesting our jobs are, most of us cannot safely devote long hours to intense labor week after week, month after month. It's too stressful on the mind and body. I will ask you to monitor yourself for such proclivities in the coming months. You can accomplish wonders as long as you work diligently but don't overwork. (PS: You won't literally expire if you relentlessly push yourself with nonstop hard exertion, but you will risk compromising your mental health. So don't do it!)

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Typically, human fertility is strongest when the temperature is 64 degrees Fahrenheit. But I suspect you will be an exception to the rule in the coming months. Whether it's 10 below or 90 in the shade, your fertility will be extra robust — literally as well as psychologically and spiritually. If you are a heterosexual who would rather make great art or business than new babies, be very attentive to your birth control measures. No matter what your gender or sexual preference is, I advise you to formulate very clear intentions about how you want to direct all that lush fecundity. Identify which creative outlets are most likely to serve your long-term health and happiness

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Here's a key assignment in the coming months: Enjoy fantasizing about your dream home. Imagine the comfortable sanctuary that would inspire you to feel utterly at home in your body, your life and the world. Even if you can't afford to buy this ultimate haven, you will benefit from visualizing it. As you do, your subconscious mind will suggest ways you can enhance your security and stability. You may also attract influences and resources that will eventually help you live in your dream home.

Go to RealAstrology.com to check out Rob Brezsny's EXPANDED WEEKLY A MESSAGE HOROSCOPES. The audio horoscopes are also available by phone at **DSCOPES** and DAILY TEXT 77-873-4888 or 1-900-950-7700.

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Wednesday, May 29

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"A Course of Love" Discussion, facilitated by Lucille Olson & Bill Dietrich - 7 p.m. Zoom ID: 177 417 886. Passcode: 601744. unitylansing.org.

Allen Farmers Market - 3-6:30 p.m. 1629 E. Kalamazoo St., Lansing. 517-999-3911. allenneighborhood-center.org/market.

Blood Drive with American Red Cross - To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org (use sponsor code MERIDIANTWP) or call 1-800-733-2767. 10 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos. meridian.mi.us.

Beginning Salsa Group Dance Class - Easy-to-learn Latin dance. Seven-week class. 8 p.m. Michigan Athletic Club, 2900 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing. 517-364-8888. sparrow.org/our-hospitals-services/ michigan-athletic-club.

"Bluey's Big Play" - 6 p.m. Wharton Center, 750 E. Shaw Lane, East Lansing.517-432-2000. whartoncenter.com.

Bookend Gallery display by Melissa Salyer - Selftaught artist whose watercolor and acrylic paintings reflect the peace she experienced growing up in the country. Noon-4 p.m. Haslett Library, 1590 Franklin St., Haslett. 517-339-2324. cadl.org/about/our-locations/haslett.

Fitness Over 50! Exercise Group - The Meridian Township Parks and Recreation Stretch and Flex Exercise group exercises at the Meridian Mall Food Court. 9-10 a.m. 1982 W. Grand River Ave., Okemos. meridian50plus.com.

Game Night - Play Eaton Rapids-opoly, giant Jenga, Connect 4, Scrabble, Ticket to Ride, Pie Face, Guess Who, Life and more! Grades 4-12. 4-5 p.m. Eaton Rapids Area District Library, 220 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids, 517-663-0950, eradl.org.

Hunt a Killer Mystery - Julia Adler found the mummified corpse of missing actress Viola Vane in the attic of her family-owned theater. We'll work to determine who orchestrated Vane's vanishing. 5:30 p.m. 1845 Courthouse, 1305 Cochran Ave., Charlotte. charlottelibrary.org.

Lansing Junior Roller Derby Basic Skills Boot Camp Ten-week program. Ages 12-17. 6-8 p.m. Court One Training Center, 7868 Old M-78, East Lansing. lansingrollerderby.com.

Mid-Michigan Art Guild Spring Art Show - Featuring an array of mediums. 9 am.-5 p.m. Neighborhood Empowerment Center, 600 W. Male St., Lansing. 517-332-4663. midmichiganartguild.org.

Mid-Michigan Art Guild Volunteer Show - A special exhibit by guild volunteers. 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Okemos Library, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. midmichiganartguild.org.

Mindfulness Meditation in the Thich Nhat Hanh tradition - All are welcome to join our weekly practice! 7-9 p.m. Van Hanh Temple, 3015 S. MLK Jr. Blvd., Lansing. lamc.info.

Open Mic, Hosted by Rick Hansel - Family-friendly, welcomes singers and musicians. No cover, all ages welcome. 6 p.m. UrbanBeat, 1213 Turner St., Lansing. 517-331-8440. urbanbeatevents.com.

Two-Faced Wilson at the Graduate Rock Bar - 8 p.m. 133 Evergreen Ave., East Lansing. 517-348-0900. facebook.com/graduaterockbar.

Wednesday Yoga on Albert - Hosted by Yoga State. Bring a yoga mat. Free. 9 a.m. Albert El Fresco, corner of M.A.C. Avenue and Albert Street, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com.

Weaving the Web: Witches' Pyramid - Join us online or in person for discussions, rituals, meditations and more! 6 p.m. Weavers of the Web, 809 Center St., Suite 7, Lansing. 517-657-5800. weaversoftheweb. org.

Thursday, May 30

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"A Course in Miracles" Group, Facilitated by Lisa Schmidt - 7 p.m. Zoom ID: 177 417 886. Passcode: 601744. unitylansing.org.

AWD Band - This Lansing-based smooth jazz/R&B band delivers quality music that will calm your soul and soothe your senses. 7:30 p.m. UrbanBeat, 1213 Turner St., Lansing. 517-331-8440. urbanbeatevents. com.

Bath Farmers Market - 3-6:30 p.m. James Couzens Memorial Park, 13753 Main St., Bath. 517-641-6728. shopbfm.org.

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Grafty Vibes - Bring your knitting, crochet or any other portable craft project and immerse yourself in an evening of creativity, conversation and community. 5 p.m. Weavers of the Web, 809 Center St., Suite 7, Lansing 517-657-5800 weaversoftheweb.org.

Game Night and Live Music - Enjoy a variety of activities and games from 5-9 p.m., including giant Connect 4, cornhole, giant Jenga, ping pong, giant chess and more! Live music at 6 p.m. Albert El Fresco, corner of M.A.C. Avenue and Albert Street, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com.

Karaoke Thursday - 8 p.m.-midnight. The Green Door Bar & Grill, 2005 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 517-325-9897. greendoorlive.com.

Ladies Silver Blades Skating Club - Join other adult women for fun, exercise, friendship and skating practice, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Suburban Ice, 2810 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing. ladiessilverblades.org.

Mark Grinnell at Cleats Bar & Grille - 6 p.m. 5801 N. Aurelius Road, Lansing. 517-574-4008. cleatsbarandgrille.com.

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Parkinson's Rock-Steady Boxing - Free exercise class for people with Parkinson's and their care-

Salus Center Prom Friday, May 31 8 p.m.-midnight The Venue by Eleven 11 **Events** 5660 W. Saginaw Hwy, Lansing

The Salus Center, a gathering space and information hub for Lansing's LGBTQ+ communities, will host a prom 8 p.m. to midnight Friday (May 31) at the Venue by Eleven 11 Events in the Lansing Mall. The theme is "En-

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Events must be entered through the calendar at lansingcitypulse.com.

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(517) 999-5066.

and magic as you enter into a whimsical paradise where fairy tales come to life. The event will include DJ sets and dancing, a drag show, photo stations and complimentary hors d'oeuvres and fountain drinks. During the drag show, the Salus Center will crown its roval court, with winners in three categories: most enchanting, dashing duo (matching couple) and most iconic. To be considered for the contest, attendees should "dress to impress" in one of the three categories.

The event is restricted to ages 18 and older. Tickets are \$25 at saluscenter.org/ prom, but free tickets will be provided for those who can't afford them.

givers. 1 p.m. Michigan Athletic Club, 2900 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing. To register, call 517-364-8888. lapsg.org.

Summer Kickoff Party - Enjoy sandwiches and ice cream, meet our new director, complete a scavenger hunt, learn about the summer reading program and more. 5-7 p.m. Charlotte Community Library, 226 S. Bostwick St., Charlotte. charlottelibrary.org.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly - Weight-loss support group. Weigh-in 5:30 p.m., meeting 6-7 p.m. Haslett Middle School, 1535 Franklin St., Haslett. 800-932-8677. facebook.com/HaslettTops.

Wake Up Old Town! - Free, informal networking opportunity for professionals from all over Lansing. 8:30 a.m. Old Town General Store, 406 E. Cesar E. Chavez Ave., Lansing. 517-485-4283. iloveoldtown.org.

Friday, May 31

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2024 East Regional Taekwondo Qualifier - 7:30 a.m. Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. usatkd.org.

Afro Beat in Town - Dance to Afrobeat, amapiano, Afrocongo, bongo, reggae and dancehall. 10 p.m. UrbanBeat, 1213 Turner St., Lansing. 517-331-8440. urbanbeatevents.com

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Craft Club - Make a fairy dust necklace! Grades 4-12. Registration req. 4 p.m. Charlotte Community Library, 226 S. Bostwick St., Charlotte. 517-543-8859. charlottelibrary.org.

Fitness Over 50! Exercise Group - The Meridian Township Parks and Recreation Stretch and Flex Exercise group exercises at the Meridian Mall Food Court. 9-10 a.m. 1982 W. Grand River Ave., Okemos. meridian50plus.com.

Frog & Koop at Harrison Roadhouse - 6 p.m. 720 E. Michigan Ave., East Lansing. 517-337-0200. harrisonroadhouse.com.

Jazz Vocalist Tiffany Gridiron - 7:30 p.m. UrbanBeat, 1213 Turner St., Lansing. 517-331-8440. urbanbeatevents com

Mark Collins at Mash Bar - 7 p.m. 212 Albert Ave., East Lansing. 517-858-2100. mashbar.net.

Matthew Shannon at the Peanut Barrel - 8 p.m. 521 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing. 517-351-0608. peanutbarrel.com.

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Postpartum Support International's Maternal Mental Health Awareness Day - Featuring speeches on managing the stresses of new parenthood and information on local resources and advocacy efforts. Noon-2 p.m. Capitol steps, 100 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. psichapters.com/mi.

Events

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"Refuge Recovery," A Buddhist Path to Recovering from Addiction - Peer-led group meeting with a 20-minute meditation and a reading from the book "Refuge Recovery." 6:30 p.m. Unity Spiritual Center of Lansing, 2395 Washington Road, Lansing. 517-371-3010. unitylansing.org.

Salus Center Prom - Featuring a DJ, a drag show, complimentary hors d'oeuvres and fountain drinks, photo stations and more. 18+. 8 p.m. The Venue by Eleven 11 Events, 5660 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing. saluscenter.org.

Sprout and the Orange at Mash Bar - 10 p.m. 212 Albert Ave., East Lansing. 517-858-2100. mashbar.net.

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2024 KDL Scholarship Ball - An evening filled with food, live music, a keynote address and plenty of fun to raise scholarship funds for youth in Greater Lansing. 7 p.m. Kellogg Hotel, 219 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing. eventnoire.com/events/2024-kdl-ball.

Contra & Square Dance - All dances taught. No partner needed. Come at 6:30 for a quick workshop on easy contra dance moves. 7 p.m. Central United Methodist Church, 215 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. 517-614-5858. tenpoundfiddle.org.

"Corazón por La Justicia," A Social Justice Exhibit - In the tradition of Chicano, Mexican and Latin American artists, we celebrate the work of Michigan artists exploring issues that impact us today. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Casa de Rosado, 204 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing. facebook.com/casaderosado.

"Even the Last of These" Book Launch - New book featuring poems by Anita Skeen and linocut prints by Laura DeLind. Meet the author and illustrator. 1-3 p.m. Everybody Reads, 2019 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. 517-346-9900. everybodyreadsbooks.com.

EVOLVE! All-Ages Block Party - Pride-themed block party featuring kids' activities, live entertainment, local vendors and a chance to connect with LGBTQ+-centered initiatives. Ticketed drag and burlesque show to follow. 2-6 p.m. 117 W. South St., Lansing. teaseagogo.com.

Geech - Experienced cover band that plays songs from a wide range of genres. 8 p.m. UrbanBeat, 1213 Turner St., Lansing. 517-331-8440. urbanbeatevents.com.

Lansing Model Railroad Club Open House - Model trains will be running on the club's HO-scale layout, complete with cities, industrial scenes, country-sides, mountains and bridges. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 5309 Old Lansing Road, Lansing. 517-290-8948. Imrc.org.

Live Music with Atomic Annie - This five-piece cover band brings a unique style and contagious energy to music you know and love. 7 p.m. Lansing Brewing Co., 518 E. Shiawassee St., Lansing. 517-371-2600. lansingbrewingcompany.com.

Lower Michigan Horse Association June show - 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Ingham County Fairgrounds, 700 E. Ash St., Mason. facebook.com/LMHAHorseShows.

Market on the Grand - 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Jaycee Park, 525 E. River St., Grand Ledge. grandledgechamber. com/market_on_the_grand.php.

Mayor's River Walk and Run 5K - Meet Mayor Andy Schor at Potter Park and walk or run to the Turner-Dodge House. There will be fun stations along the way for kids. Register by May 31. 9 a.m. 1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. lansingartgallery.org/ artpath/2024. Meridian Township Farmers Market - 8 am.-2 p.m. Marketplace on the Green, 1995 Central Park Drive, Okemos. 517-712-2395. meridian.mi.us/Farmers-Market.

Mid-Michigan Art Guild Volunteer Show - A special exhibit by guild volunteers. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Okemos Library, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. midmichiganartguild.org.

Old Town Roper Romp! - Dress up like Mrs. Roper from "Three's Company" and make your way through 20+ Old Town businesses. Check-in starts at 11 a.m. at the corner of Cesar E. Chavez and Washington Avenues. Crawl runs noon-4 p.m. Afterparty at Ozone's Brewhouse starts at 3 p.m., featuring a group photo, trivia and a costume contest. facebook.com/badannies.

Old Town's Chalk of the Town - Watch live as more than 40 artists create chalk art on the sidewalks of Old Town. Prizes will be awarded by our guest judges. Noon-4 p.m. iloveoldtown.org/chalk-of-the-town.

Pumpstock Festival of American Roots Music -Music, food, art and fun for the entire family! Bring

chairs, blankets, friends and pets. 2-8 p.m. Bailey Park, 300 Bailey St., East Lansing. To view a list of performers and activities, visit facebook.com/ Pumpstock.

Thistle Run Schooling Show - Horse show featuring a classical & Western dressage ring and an open class ring. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Ingham County Fairgrounds, 700 E. Ash St., Mason. goshowmichigan. com.

Wacousta Block Party - Free block party with live music, kids' activities, food trucks and an artisan market. 3-7 p.m. Wacousta Cooperative Preschool, 9180 W. Herbison Road, Eagle. 517-626-2746. facebook.com/WacoustaCommunityBlockParty.

Welcome Summer Festival - Attend workshops and a ritual, shop local vendors and win prizes at our charity raffleBring shelf-stable donations for the Pagans in Need food pantry for entry. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Lake Lansing Park South, 1621 Pike St., Haslett. weaversoftheweb.org.

Wild About Our Rivers Potter Park Zoo River Cleanup - Help clean up along the Lansing River Trail in front of the park. Participants receive free same-day admission to the zoo. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 1301 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Lansing. potterparkzoo.org.

Sunday, June 2

2024 Art, Art History, and Design Faculty Triennial exhibition - An inclusive survey of work produced by MSU faculty. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Broad Art Museum, 547 E. Circle Drive, East Lansing. 517-884-4800. broadmuseum.msu.edu.

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"A Course in Miracles," with Dan and Carol Maynard - Noon. Unity Spiritual Center of Lansing, 2395 Washington Road, Lansing. 517-371-3010. unitylansing.org.

Beer and Barbells with State of Fitness - See how you perform in three strongman/strongwoman events: atlas stone, deadlift and overhead press. Weights will be scaled for different ages/ ability levels. 11 a.m. Lansing Brewing Co., 518 E. Shiawassee St., Lansing. lansingbrewingcompany. com.

bRUNch & Walk with League 5K - Event will start at Lansing Shuffle and continue along the River Trail. Brunch to follow at the View at Jackson Field. Proceeds support the Junior League of Lansing. 8 a.m. 325 Riverfront Drive, Lansing. jllansing. org/brunch-walk-with-league-5k.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY LEGAL AD NOTICE: VARIANCE REQUEST 24-05 2731 GRAND RIVER AVE. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN LEGAL NOTICE VARIANCE REQUEST 24-05 2731 GRAND RIVER AVENUE PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Meridian will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Meridian Municipal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI, 48864 (phone 517.853.4560) to hear all persons interested in a variance request from Meridian Retail Management II LLC. The applicant is proposing to construct a restaurant with a drive-through that does not meet the perimeter landscape buffer, minimum landscape island width, and building landscaping width requirements at 2731 Grand River Avenue. The subject site is zoned C-2, Commercial.

Information may be examined at the Department of Community Planning and Development, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864-1198, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Written comments may be sent prior to the public hearing to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Charter Township of Meridian, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, 48864, or by email to chapman@meridian.mi.us, or at the public hearing.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY LEGAL AD NOTICE: VARIANCE REQUEST 24-07 V/L LAKE LANSING ROAD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN LEGAL NOTICE VARIANCE REQUEST 24-07 V/L LAKE LANSING RD. (TAX ID #06-378-026) PUBLIC HEARING

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Four years ago, we watched what happened to George Floyd. Not much has changed. Kyle Rittenhouse got famous for killing someone. George Zimmerman "stood his ground" and was never held responsible but continues to prove he is a violent predator. I wish I felt like we have made progress, but it's really just that injustices have become normalized, and we've been desensitized to accept that less-than-honorable people are voted into office who defend it. I fear we will go backwards before we progress due to many factors, but not the least of which is that more and more people are living in survival mode, and it's really hard to be invested in the root causes of suffering when you are in fear of not being able to afford housing, or how you'll get your next meal.

I hope more and more people choose love and compassion over hate and fear combined with lies. It would be nice if pride didn't get in the way of progress, but there are far too many people who have confused their pride with contempt for groups of people whose lives have no impact on theirs. Whether it be immigrants, Black or Brown people, Gay or Trans people, poor people, people with mental health problems or disabilities, etc., instead of being skeptical, or using intellect, we've seen people "do their own research" and deny the efforts of people who have devoted their life to studies and science. I long for the day that our education system is funded properly, to give the type of education our young people will need to discern the difference between reality through reason, instead of fiction through propaganda, and deception reinforced by plausible deniability.

Be safe, love on yourself and realize that you do not know what the person next to you is struggling with. We are all in the same boat, and while I disagree with people's ideas and opinions, they are not my enemy. Instead of making enemies, we should be seeking out where we might agree and start there with discourse instead of condescension. I'm guilty of feeding into the problem, and that might make me hypocritical, but I'm trying, I'm really trying. A day doesn't go by where I haven't thought about why other commoners like me might vehemently disagree with me, and even though they are wrong, I understand why they think the way they do, and it's not entirely their fault. Some people have the capacity to consider differing views, and some don't until they are personally impacted. I haven't written in a while, but I've been doing a lot of thinking. Today is the first time in a while that I've felt like writing.

Thanks for reading. I confess that the weight of the world has had me in a dark space for the last several months, and I need more joy, and so do you. Where there is no justice, though, there is no peace, so joy is what I will settle for, in place of peace, whenever I can. The human experience is really difficult to navigate.



A WIN-WIN

The next pet adoption ad appears June 19th Call by noon Monday, June 17th to be included in the next one

For 20 years, City Pulse has donated hundreds of dollars a year to the Ingham County Animal Shelter thanks to pet adoption ads sponsored by our readers. Thank you!

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Sutton Foster Awards showcase Saturday, June 1 6:30 p.m. Wharton Center Cobb Great Hall 750 E. Shaw Lane, East Lansing

The Wharton Center's 12th annual Sutton Foster Awards program, a celebration of high school musical theater across the state, will culminate in an awards showcase beginning 6:30 p.m. Saturday (June 1) at Wharton's Cobb Great Hall. More than 130 students from 60 high schools will

perform selections from the musicals their schools staged this year, as well as a variety of Broadway medleys. The students worked with Broadway musical directors and choreographers to rehearse the performances.

Throughout the yearlong program, three theater professionals viewed musical productions at each participating school and provided feedback to promote growth. This year, students also worked directly with touring Broadway professionals from shows like "Hairspray" and "Moulin Rouge! The Musical" in masterclasses and workshops to gain further expertise.

Two performers at Saturday's showcase will be selected to represent the state at the National High School Musical Theatre Awards in New York City in June. The Wharton Center will also award cash scholarships and tuition to its Take It from the Top summer camps.

Tickets for the showcase are \$15 and are available at the Wharton Center Ticket Office, whartoncenter.com or by calling (517) 432-2000. For more information, including a list of participating high schools and their productions, visit whartoncenter.com/sutton-foster-awards.



Please help City Pulse help the Ingham County Animal Shelter. Call Publisher Berl Schwartz at (517) 999-5061 or email him at publisher@lansingcitypulse.com with "*pet adoption*" in the subject line. You'll be helping City Pulse and the shelter at the same time.

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Drum Circle at Lake Lansing Park South - All ages and experience levels welcome. Bring percussion instruments if you have them, as well as chairs. 2-4 p.m. 1621 Pike St., Haslett. 517-803-2392. facebook. com/GreaterLansingAreaDrummers.

Eastern Ingham Farmers Market - 10 a.m.-2 p.m. McCormick Park, 123 High St., Williamston. easterninghamfarmersmarket.org.

Euchre - 6 p.m. Esquire Bar, 1250 Turner St., Lansing. 517-487-5338.

Laingsburg Outdoor Farmers Market - 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Roosevelt Row, Laingsburg. laingsburgbusiness.org/ farmers-market-1.

JUGGLERS AND WOULD-BE JUGGLERS - Jugglers meet at the Orchard Street Pump House at 2 p.m. Sundays. 368 Orchard St., East Lansing. mikemarhanka@gmail.com.

Lansing Junior Roller Derby Basic Skills Boot Camp - Ten-week program. Ages 12-17. 6-8 p.m. Court One Training Center, 7868 Old M-78, East Lansing. lansingrollerderby.com.

Lower Michigan Horse Association June show - 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Ingham County Fairgrounds, 700 E. Ash St., Mason. facebook.com/LMHAHorseShows.

Mid-Michigan Art Guild Volunteer Show - A special exhibit by guild volunteers. Noon-6 p.m. Okemos Library, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos. midmichiganartguild.org.

Mom to Mom & Kid to Kid Sale - Opportunity for community members to sell gently used clothing and toys or find great deals on these essentials. 1-4 p.m. Marketplace on the Green, 1995 Central Park Drive, Okemos. meridian.mi.us.

Red Cedar Quaker Friends Worship - 10:30 a.m. 1400

Turner St., Lansing. redcedarfriends.org/join-usfor-worship/.

Sunday Yoga on Albert - Hosted by Yoga State. Bring a yoga mat. Free. 10 a.m. Albert El Fresco, corner of M.A.C. Avenue and Albert Street, East Lansing. cityofeastlansing.com.

Thistle Run Schooling Show - Horse show featuring a classical & Western dressage ring and an open class ring. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Ingham County Fairgrounds, 700 E. Ash St., Mason. goshowmichigan.com.

Three Sparks Comedy - Free comedy with Three Sparks. 7-9 p.m. One North Kitchen & Bar, 5001 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing. 517-901-5001. onenorthdining.com.

Wild Honey Collective Album Release Show, with Special Guest Abbey Hoffman - 5 p.m. The Avenue, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing. avenuecafelansing.com.

Monday, June 3

Adventures in Slime - Decorate clear slime with fish, bugs, dinosaurs, glitter or nothing at all. 6 p.m. Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. 517-627-7014. gladl.org.

Finance Committee -6 p.m. Laingsburg City Hall, 114 Woodhull St., Laingsburg.laingsburg.us.

Highfields 44th Annual Golf Outing - 9 a.m. Forest Akers West Golf Course, 3535 Forest Road, Lansing. highfields.org/events/golfouting.

Mid-Michigan Art Guild Spring Art Show - Featuring an array of mediums. 9 am.-5 p.m. Neighborhood Empowerment Center, 600 W. Male St., Lansing. 517-332-4663. midmichiganartguild.org.

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E. Circle Drive, East Lansing. 517-884-4800. broad-

"A Course of Love" Discussion, facilitated by Lucille Olson & Bill Dietrich - 7 p.m. Zoom ID: 177 417 886.

Allen Farmers Market - 3-6:30 p.m. 1629 E. Kalam-

azoo St., Lansing. 517-999-3911. allenneighborhood-

Camping Adventures at Michigan's State Parks! - Learn about types of camping, what to pack, activities to enjoy while camping, how to reserve a campsite and the best state parks in Michigan!

Grand Ledge Area District Library, 131 E. Jefferson

Doc Sherry for Senate Rally - Meet Doc Sherry and learn about her Senate campaign! Dinner provided

by Fire and Rice, live music by Dave Santia. 6-9 p.m.

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"The Quest: A Journey of Spiritual Rediscovery" Book Study with Jeff Benoit - 7 p.m. Zoom ID: 177 417 886. Passcode: 601744. unitylansing.org.

"The Three Musketeers and the Very Pretty Diamonds" - Presented by the Waverly Middle School Drama Club. 7 p.m. Waverly Middle School, 620 Snow Road, Lansing. gofan.co/app/school/MI3772.

Unity Book Study: "The Power of Now," by Eckhart Tolle - Facilitated by Lucille Olson. 1:30 p.m. Zoom ID: 177 417 886. Passcode: 601744. unitylansing.org.

Yoga for Parkinson's - Free yoga class for people with Parkinson's and their caregivers. 1 p.m. Michigan Athletic Club, 2900 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing. To register, call 517-364-8888. lapsg.org.

Tuesday, June 4

LAGE Game Night East - 6:30-11 p.m. The Junction, 410 S. Clippert St., Lansing. meetup.com/lansing/ events.

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Trivia at Lansing Shuffle with DJ Trivia - 7:30-9 p.m. 325 Riverfront Drive, Lansing. 517-940-4365. lansingshuffle.com.

Wednesday, June 5

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Eagle Township, Clinton County Special Joint Meeting Eagle Township Board and Planning Commission Synopsis

May 16, 2024, at 5:00 pm - Present: Supervisor Stroud, Clerk Briggs-Dudley, Treasurer C. Hoppes, Trustee M. Hoppes. Absent: Trustee Strahle. Planning Commission Members: Chair Currie, Vice-Chair Rich, Secretary Sutherland, John Iszler and 11 citizens. Board Discussion:

1) The Board and Planning Commission walked through the draft Master Plan reviewing comments from the Board and the public.

A complete copy of the minutes is available by contacting Laurie Briggs-Dudley, Clerk. Next regular meeting of the Eagle Township Board is June 20, 2024, at 6 pm at Eagle Township Hall, 14318 Michigan St, Eagle, MI. See www.eagletownship.org for latest updates.

Prepared by: Approved by: Laurie Briggs-Dudley, Eagle Township Clerk Troy Stroud, Eagle Township Supervisor

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MSU Music and the Garden June 2, June 23, July 14, Aug. 11 1 p.m. Beaumont Tower

375 W. Circle Drive, East Lansing

Each year, the Michigan State University College of Music teams up with the Beal Botanical Garden to host a series of summer concerts. This year, each event will begin with interactive, tree-themed family activities at 1 p.m., followed by a performance featuring musicians from the College of Music at 2 p.m. and a garden tour at 3 p.m. This year's performers include violinist Alirna Korieva and vocalist Phoenix

This year's performers include violinist Alirna Korieva and vocalist Phoenix Miranda on Saturday (June 2), the Spartan Jazz Quartet on June 23, vocalists Grace Gits and Gabe Lockheimer on July 14 and saxophone foursome Quartet Fiume on Aug. 11.

Each event is free and open to the public, and attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket or chair to sit on. For more information, visit music.msu.edu.

SUMMER SOLSTICE JAZZ FESTIVAL



JUNE 21-22, 2024 Eljazzfest.com



By TESSA PANETH-POLLAK

Lovers of strong Arabic coffee in Okemos will be happy to know they

can now pick one up close to home. After opening its East Lansing location in December, Moka & Co. brought another location to the corner of Grand River Avenue and Central Park Drive on March 29.

Design changes throughout the interior have turned this former Panera franchise into a "clean, well-lighted place" (to quote Hemingway) that provides a breath of fresh air and a splash of color at an otherwise impersonal corner with a view of a Rite Aid and a Speedway gas station.

What really makes the drinks Yemeni, employee Jude Yahya said, are the seasonings: Coffee sourced from Yemen is blended with cardamom, cinnamon and ginger and served with the husk of the bean. If



Dragonfruit refresher \$7 **Pistachio latte** \$8 Kunafa bite \$4 Moka & Co. 4738 Central Park Drive, Okemos 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily (517) 721-1197 mokanco.com

vou're a tea drinker or looking for a bit less caffeine, try the shai Adeni - a spiced black tea most English speakers will know as "chai" - with similar fixings.

If you stop in around lunchtime, the shop consistently offers savory tarts, including spinach-feta, tomato-olive and potato-leek. They have just the right amount of moisture and are never flaky enough to be messy.

The company pays as much attention to the housing of the coffee as the bean itself. If you order in, your coffee will come in an insulated glass mug to keep it hot. My pistachio latte, which arrived in an earthy ceramic mug with a flourish of foam art, was cozy on

an overcast day but would also be refreshing on a hot one. The cold "refresher" drinks, made in-house, are an especially nice summer treat. They're a big hit with my kids, who enjoy skewering the real strawberries and seed-packed cubes of dragonfruit floating in the pink drinks with their straws.

The kunafa bite, a gooey mozzarella-based cake infused with orange blossom, rose water and pistachio and topped with a bird's nest of crunchy vermicelli noodles, balances its diverse flavors and textures especially well.

With the sleek efficiency of international travel, this location can serve as a stopover for your to-go cup. But cane chairs and buttery leather upholstery invite you to stay awhile. Large windows to the south and west allow in a generous amount of natural light. Over the speakers, Arabic music alternates with Taylor Swift's latest hits to lend a pleasantly peppy vibe.

This location isn't as buzzy as the downtown East Lansing one (at least not yet), making it a great place to park and get some work done. But its friendly staff won't let you feel unseen for too long. The shop offers counter service, but employees are willing to bring food and drinks to the table and seem equally equipped to help customers access familiar tastes or orient them as they explore new ones.



Tessa Paneth-Pollak for City Pulse

The author's child enjoys a dragonfruit refresher at Moka & Co.'s new location in Okemos.

Green ramen season

By ARI LEVAUX

Who among us doesn't have a trick or two up their sleeve for making instant ramen? A vegetable or egg in the pot,

your special sauce or powder and, if you've got some game, perhaps a garnish on top. These are all good. But there are levels to this soup.

My breakthrough happened when I stopped



material to be used in the creation of a truly unique bowl

thinking in terms of which

ingredients I should add

to my ramen and instead

began looking at a

package of instant

ramen itself as an

ingredient, a raw

of noodle soup.

This time of year, the young farmers markets are awash with greenery that's full of nutrients, fiber and flavor: lettuce, kale, bok See Flash, Page 27



This time of year, farmers markets are awash with various greens that are perfect for beefing up a simple bowl of instant ramen.

Courtesy of Ari LeVaux



Flash

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choy, herbs, pea shoots, spinach, watercress, chard, onions, chives, garlic, scallions, green onions and

Ingredients

1 package Nongshim Shin Black with Beef Bone Broth or instant ramen of choice A diversity of greens, ideally three of the following: kale, bok choy, gai lan, mustard greens, spinach, chard 1 egg Mayo, hoisin, soy sauce, hot sauce, etc. Cilantro, basil, chives or green onions for garnish

Instructions

Clean and chop 4 to 6 cups of greens. Crack the egg into a small bowl.

Add four cups of water to a pan with a lid. While the water's still cold, add the brick of noodles and the flavor packets contained within the package of instant ramen. Turn the heat to high. Put the lid on.

When the ramen reaches a rolling boil, add the greens, spreading them many other shades of green. Keeping it seasonal, like I do, means a decidedly green ramen. Minus the lettuce, most any greens will work. I like to add a mix.

Most enthusiasts have their preferred make and model of instant

out so they're even atop the noodles. Pour the egg atop the greens gently so it nests stably. Put the lid back on and cook for two minutes.

Turn off the heat and assess. You don't want to overcook the egg. Or maybe you do. Egg cookery is a personal thing. If you think the egg needs a bit more, put the lid back on for a minute.

By this time, the pile of greens will have tightened into a mat atop the noodles. With a spatula or some kind of wide spoon, scoop the green puck, egg and all, into a bowl. Then use a fork or chopsticks to transfer as many noodles to the bowl as you care to eat.

Before you eat, pour any remaining broth into a separate container like a small pot or a cup. Don't leave extra noodles lingering in the broth like a rookie. They'll suck it up and render themselves too soggy to be of any use.

Finally, adorn your bowl with garnishes and sauces of your choice.

Notice of Public Hearing

Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy will hold a public hearing June 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm at 730 W. Maple Street, Lansing, MI 48906, (517) 485-5379, to review the proposed 2024-2025 operating budget. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the above address

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY **LEGAL AD NOTICE: VARIANCE REQUEST 24-06** 2233 GRAND RIVER AVE. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN LEGAL NOTICE VARIANCE REQUEST 24-06 2233 GRAND RIVER AVENUE **PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Meridian will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Meridian Municipal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI, 48864 (phone pal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, IVII, 40004 (priority) 517.853.4560) to hear all persons interested in a variance request from Tyler & Emily Dawson. The applicant is proposing to construct a deck addition that does not meet required site is zoned C-2, Commercial

Information may be examined at the Department of Community Planning and Development, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864-1198, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Written comments may be sent prior to the public hearing to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Charter Township of Meridian, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, 48864, or by email to chapman@meridian.mi.us, or at the public hearing.

Deborah Guthrie Township Clerk

CP#24-528

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ramen. Mine is by the South Korean brand Nongshim. It's called Shin Black with Beef Bone Broth and comes in four-packs that cost upwards of \$15. It's also extreme-

ly spicy, though nowhere on the package is this mentioned. For me, ramen has to be spicy. If the brick I'm working with isn't, I adjust with spice of my own.



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS!

DATE: JUNE 5, 2024 | LOCATION: BRENKE FISH LADDER | TIME: 6-7:30 PM URBAN BEAT | TIME: 7:30-9:30 PM

Come celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Suits and the City, Lansing's premier LGBTQ+ networking organization. There will be a short program at UrbanBeat highlighting our history and honoring individuals who established and maintained the organization for two decades. Appetizers will be served. The event is free and open to all.

> This space donated by City Pulse **CityPULSE**

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While supplies last. Some restrictions may apply. See store for details.

DISCLAIMER: For use by individuals 21 years of age or older or registered qualifying patients only. Keep out of reach of children. It is illegal to drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of marihuana. National Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222

WARNING: USE BY PREGNANT OR BREASTFEEDING WOMEN, OR BY WOMEN PLANNING TO BECOME PREGNANT, MAY RESULT IN FETAL INJURY, PRETERM BIRTH, LOW BIRTH WEIGHT, OR DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS FOR THE CHILD.