The Family Resource Center coordinates information and resources to assist faculty, staff, and students who are balancing family responsibilities with education and/or employment. This activity guide assists families in exploring their community and helps them become acquainted with this rich environment.

For more information about FRC services:
Phone: (517) 432-3745
Email: frc@hr.msu.edu
Web: www.frc.msu.edu
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Things to do at MSU
An Activity Guide for Families
www.frc.msu.edu/caring-for-children/having-fun/things-to-do-at-msu
This activity guide is also available online at the Family Resource Center website. You may browse the listings, or print a .pdf copy of the guide.

Summer School Aged Childcare Programs: Camps and More
www.greatstartforkids.org
Contact the Office for Young Children (517) 887-4319 or (800) 234-6996 with questions.

Tour MSU
www.tour.msu.edu
Visit this website to learn more about touring MSU, places to eat, and places to visit!

City of East Lansing
www.cityofeastlansing.com
The City of East Lansing website has a calendar of community events and family activities as well as general city information.

Spartan Youth Programs
www.spartanyouth.msu.edu
The website provides parents, youth, and educators with an easy way to access information about MSU’s pre-college programs and activities for Pre-K through 12th graders. The site organizes the University’s programs and activities by grade levels and by topics. Visitors to the site can find brief abstracts as well as specific contact information within the list of topics. This site contains a wide variety of activities, such as college courses, summer programs, camps, places to visit, reading materials, software, and Websites.

University Apartment Programs
(517) 353-9449
www.housing.msu.edu/uapts
The Residence Life staff in University Apartments is committed to the development and maintenance of living environments that support the academic, social, and emotional well being of students.
Residents and their families living in the Spartan Village Apartments have
the opportunity to take part in many programs and events that are free to the community. The dates and times of programs are posted on their website. Events are also advertised in a weekly “Umail” that is sent to the leaseholder’s MSU e-mail account. In addition, the University Apartments Council of Residents (UACOR), the student government in University Apartments, also sponsors several activities that are financed through a nominal tax collected through the Council. 

For assistance with resident concerns or information needs, please call the Residence Life Assistance Line at 353-9499. The University Apartments Residence Life office is located at 140 Spartan Village Community Center, 1460 Middlevale Rd., Spartan Village, on the MSU Campus.

Travel Michigan
www.mi.gov
The State of Michigan Website has information on great things to see and places to visit throughout Michigan. Click on “Travel and Recreation.”

Greater Lansing Convention & Visitors Bureau
www.lansing.org
1-888-2-LANSING

Parking
www.police.msu.edu
Visitors to campus can park in a pay lot, pay at a meter or purchase a visitor permit (allows for parking in an employee space). A visitor permit can be purchased at the Visitor Center on Trowbridge Road or at the Parking Office located in the Public Safety Building at 87 Red Cedar Road. For details, contact the MSU Parking Office at 517-355-8440 or visit the website. The Parking Office is open 7:30 am - 4:45 pm, Monday - Friday.

Maps
www.msu.edu/maps/index.html
Regional, Lansing area, and campus maps with directions are available online. At this link there are also maps through Mapquest and Google as well as CATA (Capital Area Transit Authority) bus route maps.
Art & Music

MSU Department of Art and Art History
517-355-7610
www.art.msu.edu/?page_id=16

Designed to broaden and enrich the art experience, Saturday morning Art classes explore a range of visual art topics, media, and methods. Students are taught by pre-service teachers in the Art Education Program under the supervision of Art Education Faculty. A sampling of recent classes includes study of drawing, painting, print making, ceramics, and sculpture. Fall and Spring semester Classes are available for ages 7-18 and the cost is $65.00. For more information or to enroll your child, please visit our website.

MSU Community Music School
(517) 355-7661
www.cms.msu.edu

Located off campus with plenty of free parking, the Community Music School (CMS) offers lessons on most instruments; Early Childhood Music for newborns, toddlers, and preschoolers; children's choirs; folk music; Suzuki method instruction; classes for children and adults; and Music Therapy Clinical Services. Financial assistance available. Call CMS for more information or to register. Located at 841 Timberlane, East Lansing.

Early Childhood Music
(517) 355-7661
www.cms.msu.edu

Early Childhood Music Program for newborns, infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Classes are designed to help increase children's potential to succeed in music through a rich variety of songs, chants and movement activities. Classes meet weekly for five or ten weeks.

College of Music
(517) 353-5340
www.music.msu.edu

The College of Music presents more than 300 concerts and events each year by its students, faculty, large and small ensembles, and guest artists. Performances range from opera, jazz, and Latin music, to classical, chamber, and traditional music. College
of Music concert tickets are $10; $8 senior citizens; and free for students and those under age 18 unless otherwise noted. Summer classes and camps are also offered. Located on West Circle Drive in the Music Building.

**Department of Theatre**

*(517) 355-6690*

[www.theatre.msu.edu](http://www.theatre.msu.edu)

Students and faculty of the Department of Theatre produce six main-stage, three second-stage, and as many as ten open-stage shows each year. Plays take place in the Pasant Theatre at Wharton Center and in three theatres in the Auditorium Building: Fairchild, the Arena, and Studio 49. Play descriptions, schedules, and ticket information is available on the Department Website. During the month of June the Department offers free Summer Circle Theatre on the banks of the Red Cedar behind the Auditorium. For information go to: http://www.summerrcircle.org

**Wharton Center for Performing Arts**

*(517) 432-2000*

[www.whartoncenter.com](http://www.whartoncenter.com)

Michigan’s largest performing arts venue with four unique stages. The building houses the 2,500-seat Cobb Great Hall and the 600-seat Pasant Theatre and is located on the corner of Wilson and Bogue Streets among beautiful gardens and sculptures. The Center also holds programs in the 3,800-seat MSU Concert Auditorium and the 650-seat Fairchild Theatre located on the corner of Farm Lane Road and Auditorium Road. The 2011-2012 season features the very best of touring Broadway, jazz, world-music, pop and opera! There is something for everyone at the Wharton Center. For more information, visit our website or call the box office at 1-800-WHARTON.
School of Music Camps

Eric “Ricstar”
Winter Music Therapy Camp
(517) 355-7661
http://cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps.php
A day camp that provides opportunities for musical expression, enjoyment, and interaction for all persons with special needs (and their siblings).
Dates: June 14-16, 2012
Fees: $185 (1 camper)
      $350 (2 campers)
      $510 (3 campers)

Summer Jazz Camp
(517) 355-7661
www.cms.msu.edu/el/children/camp_jazz.php
A day camp for middle and high school students who have some playing experience.
Dates: June 17 - June 22, 2012
Fees: $500/day camp
      $600/overnight

Musical Theatre & Choir Camp
(517) 355-7661
http://cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps.php
A day camp for elementary, middle, and high school students interested in music for theatre. Two week camp for grades 9-12. One week camp for grades 2-8.
Dates: Grades 9-12,
      July 23 - Aug. 3, 2012
    Grades 2-8,
      July 30 - Aug. 3, 2012
Fees: $320/day camp (2 wk)
      $170/day camp (1 wk)

Rock Band Camp
(517) 355-7661
http://cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps.php
A day camp for middle and high school students who have some experience playing their instrument of choice (guitar, bass, drums or vocals). Students who play other instruments or who have limited experience should contact CMS. At camp, students will work with members of The Outer Vibe and prepare for a concert at the end of the week.
Dates: July 9-13, 2012
Fees: $220

Middle School Band Camp
(517) 355-7661
http://cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps.php
A day camp for middle school students who have played a band instrument for at least one year.
Dates: July 16-20, 2012
Fees: $215
CHAMP
(517) 432-2129
http://gifted.msu.edu/programs/champ-mchamp
Conducted at MSU, an 8-month search and identification process enrolls students in a two-year program which allows them to complete four years of math in two years. Courses include Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry and Mathematical Analysis. Students who complete the series are ready for Calculus at the high school or college level.
**Ages:** Completed grades 7-10
**Dates:** August 2012 through May 2013
**Deadline:** May 4, 2012
**Fees:** $500/per semester plus $40 non-refundable registration fee

High Achievers
(517) 432-2129
http://gifted.msu.edu/programs/high-achievers
Students can take honors level university courses with 18-22 students while in high school. Classes are: Film and Society, Introduction to Microeconomics, Introduction to Psychology, Introduction to Philosophy, and Biotechnology. Qualifications: priority placement for students with SAT-Verbal scores 530 and total SAT of 1040. Comparable ACT scores will be accepted.
**Ages:** Completed grades 9-12 and living in Ingham, Clinton, Eaton or Shiawassee counties
**Dates:** Session I June 17 – July 12, 2011 (day classes) Session II July 8 - Aug. 2
**Deadline:** April 6, 2012
**Fees:** $1,220.25/3 credit class; $70 application fee

Mathematics, Science & Technology Program
(517) 432-2129
http://gifted.msu.edu/programs/mstmsu
Two week residential program for students from any state, focusing on Chaos and Fractals, Physics, Astronomy, Mechanical Engineering, Physiology, Genetics, Biotechnology, Digital Communication, Zoology, and video and desktop publishing. Call for qualifications.
**Ages:** Completed grades 7-8
**Dates:** July 15 – July 28, 2012
**Deadline:** May 4, 2012
**Fees:** $1,650 with $150 deposit residential; partial scholarships based on need
Kids’ College  
(517) 244-1280  
www.inghamisd.org/programsandservices/sds/talentdevelopment  
An interdisciplinary approach to studying science/technology and the arts. Held at MSU.  
Ages: For grades 4-5  
Dates: July 9-July 20, 2012  
Deadline: April 30, 2012  
Fees: $280

MASCOT  
(517) 244-1280  
www.inghamisd.org/programsandservices/sds/talentdevelopment  
Mathematics Augmentation Series Cultivating Optimum Teaching and learning by improving techniques; using technology; teaming students, teachers and counselors. Held in Okemos.  
Ages: For grade 6  
Dates: June 25-July 13, 2012  
Deadline: April 30, 2012  
Fees: $250

Dimensions  
(517) 244-1280  
www.inghamisd.org/programsandservices/sds/talentdevelopment  
A program designed for students who participate in the Midwest Talent Search Project of Northwestern University study in two academic and one arts-laboratory classes. Held at MSU.  
Ages: For grades 7-8  
Dates: June 18-June 29, 2012  
Deadline: April 30, 2012  
Fees: $350 and $25 application fee

Summer Adventure Program at Spartan Child Development Center  
(517) 353-5154  
www.scdc.msu.edu  
The Summer Program provides hands-on learning for children ages 4-6, with field trips and special activities each week to extend and support the learning that is happening in the classroom. Popular destinations in the past have included greater Lansing area museums, zoos, and other activities planned through the Capital Area District Libraries.
Please apply in person at Spartan Child Development Center; 1730 Crescent Rd, East Lansing; Mon-Fri, 7:30-6:00. There is a non-refundable application fee of $20/child.

Request an application: children@msu.edu

**Ages:** 4-6 years  
**Dates:** Call SCDC for more information  
(517) 353-5154

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**Insect World Science Camp**  
www.bughouse.msu.edu  

**Ages:** 9-12

Interested in exploring MSU campus in a whole new way! This camp includes a safari in the forest, meadows, and wetlands on MSU and introduces children to plants and creatures they have never seen before while on trek through the MSU Gardens.

**Dates:** July 15-18, 2012  
**Deadline:** June 22, 2012  
$50 deposit  
**Fees:** $325 - $350

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**MSU Surplus Store & Recycling Center Youth Program**  
(517) 355-1723  
www.recycle.msu.edu

Our youth program is educational, fun, and environmentally friendly. The one-hour, hands-on, eye opening program is full of surprises. Students will discover where their “stuff” comes from, explore where it goes, and learn strategies to reduce waste (while having fun!). Our program includes a tour, activities, and entertaining video clips and supports state standards in science. Call for more information or to schedule your group.
**Abrams Planetarium**  
(517) 355-4672  
www.pa.msu.edu/abrams/  
Discover the wonders of the universe at Abrams Planetarium. The sky theater features fantastic star shows produced by state-of-the-art computer graphics star projectors. The planetarium also serves as an astronomy and space science education resource center. Programs are held Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons. A free exhibit hall is open from 9:00am–12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:30pm on weekdays. For a 24-hour recording call 332-4672. Admission: Adults $3.00; Students with MSU ID or Senior Citizens $2.50; Children ages 12 and under $2.00.

**Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum**  
(517) 353-9836  
www.broadmuseum.msu.edu/  
Scheduled to be open to the public Fall 2012.

**MSU Museum**  
(517) 355-7474  
www.museum.msu.edu  
The wonders of the natural world and world cultures are yours to discover. Three floors of exciting permanent collections and changing special exhibits featuring anthropological, biological, geological, and historical displays. The museum has a hands-on resource room with activities for youths and a unique gift store featuring around-the-world treasures. Located across from the Main Library. Open 7 days a week. Admission is free, donations suggested.
Kellogg Bird Sanctuary
(269) 671-2510
www.kbs.msu.edu/bird-sanctuary

Part of the MSU Kellogg Biological Station, located between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo at 12685 East C Avenue in Augusta, MI. The Sanctuary’s self-guided walking trail includes native waterfowl, birds of prey, upland game bird display, migratory birds and some exotic species. Open year-round May-October 9:00am-7:00pm and November-April 9:00am-5:00pm. Admission is $4/ adults, $3/seniors, $2/children (2-12 years) and children under two years are free.

MSU Farms
(517) 355-8383
www.tour.msu.edu/locations/farms

MSU is home to many animals. Located on the South side of campus between Mt. Hope and Jolly Road. See page 27 for information on the 2012 Small Animals Day. Call to get visitors’ hours:

**Dairy Farm**.....355-7473

**Horse Farm**.....355-7484

**Beef Farm**.......355-7452

**Sheep Farm**.....355-7477

**Swine Farm** .....355-7485

**Poultry Farm**...355-0360

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**Animals**

**Bug House**
(517) 355-4662
www.bughouse.msu.edu

Visit the fascinating world of insects. The Bug House contains live insect displays, exhibits, and “hands-on” activities. Guided tours for groups of 30 or less are available Monday–Friday. Cost is $50 for a one-hour program. Special hours have been arranged for those who may be interested in visiting, but do not constitute a group, on a donation basis. A guide is available to answer questions. Located in Room 146-147 Natural Science Building. Visit the website for more information on two new summer camps: Bug Camp (ages 6-11) & Insect World (ages 9-12).

**“Butterflies in the Garden”**
http://4hgardens.msu.edu/butterflies
(517) 355-5191 x1327

March 15 through April 30, 2012 the indoor section of the 4-H Children’s Garden will be exhibiting butterflies. There is no charge. Open Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 (call ahead) and Saturday-Sunday 8:00-5:00 (drop-ins welcome).
Kellogg Farm Dairy Center
(269) 671-2507
www.kbs.msu.edu/research/pasture-dairy
The Kellogg Farm Dairy Center is part of the MSU Kellogg Biological Station located between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo near Gull Lake at 10461 N. 40th Street, Hickory Corners, MI. A modern farm where visitors may observe cows being milked. The Dairy Center’s self-guided walking trail is open everyday from 8am to sunset. Entrance is free. Guided tours can be scheduled for a small fee.

Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education
(517) 432-5566
www.pavilion.msu.edu
How would your children like to see animals up close? MSU’s Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock sponsors numerous year-round animal shows spotlighting horses, cattle, sheep, rabbits, and dogs. These shows will help your children learn about livestock and agriculture and have fun in the process.

Vet-A-Visit
517-355-0001
http://cvm.msu.edu/alumni-friends/vetavisit
MSU College of Veterinary Medicine’s open house to show their state of the art facility and many fascinating aspects of the field of veterinary medicine. Unique, exciting experience for the whole family Saturday, April 14th, 2012 from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Gardens
4H Children’s Garden
(517) 355-5191 x327
http://4hgarden.msu.edu/
Designed especially for children, and completely handicap accessible, this delightful garden features a tree house built from twigs and limbs, a garden house, an amphitheater and themed gardens (such as pizza and Peter Rabbit). Imagine a garden where plants, children, and imaginations grow! Located south of the Plant & Soil Sciences building. Open April 1 - Nov. 1, dawn to dusk. Admission is free. Parking on Sat. and Sun. is free. From 8:00am -6:00pm, Mon.-Fri., a $3.00 token purchase is required before leaving the parking lot (buy tokens at the entrance to the visitor parking lot).

MSU Herbarium
(517) 355-4696
www.herbarium.msu.edu
Come explore the vast diversity of the plant kingdom! A herbarium is a “library” of dried and preserved plants and the MSU Herbarium represents a worldwide
scientific collection of all groups and plants, lichens, and fungi. Current holdings number over 500,000 specimens. The mission of an herbarium is to preserve and document the diversity of plants and the flora of Michigan. We have plants collected dating back to 1837. Bring your whole family to enjoy the Herbarium on MSU’s campus. Located in the basement of the Plant Biology Building, east wing on campus. Open from 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

**Hidden Lake Gardens**  
*(517) 431-2060*  
[www.hiddenlakegardens.msu.edu](http://www.hiddenlakegardens.msu.edu)  
One of Michigan’s best kept secrets. Located 2 miles west of Tipton, Michigan, on Michigan Route 50, Hidden Lake Gardens covers 755 acres of meadows and oak-hickory woodlands filled with an abundance of native flora and fauna. Specializing in botanical gardens made up of a plant conservatory, a dwarf conifer collection, a hosta garden, a perennial garden and large collections of flowers, trees and shrubs. Open 9:00am to 4:00pm (April through October); 9:00am to 4:00pm (November through March). Cost is $3 per person. Memberships are available. Guided tours available for groups with 10+ people (by reservation).

**Horticultural Demonstration Garden**  
*(517) 355-5191 x1359*  
[www.hrt.msu.edu/our-gardens](http://www.hrt.msu.edu/our-gardens)  
Take a stroll through the colorful floral displays of the MSU Horticulture Gardens - an official All-American Trial Garden test site for annual bedding plants. They have an extensive perennial collection, with an annual display and rose collection. Located South of the Plant and Soil Sciences Building. Open all year sunrise to sunset. Admission is $3/adult & $2/child under 12. To reserve the garden for a wedding or special event call 355-5191 ext. 1352. Parking on Saturday and Sunday is free. From 8:00am -6:00pm, Monday - Friday, a $3.00 token purchase is required before leaving the parking lot (buy tokens at the entrance to the visitor parking lot).

**W.J. Beal Botanical Garden**  
*(517) 355-9582*  
[www.cpa.msu.edu/beal/](http://www.cpa.msu.edu/beal/)  
Founded in 1873, the Beal Botanical Garden is the oldest continuously operated garden of this type in the U.S.. It includes over 5,000 species organized in economic, systematic, landscape and ecological groupings. The Garden also features an endangered and threatened plant collection and Michigan native wetland plants. Located west of the Main Library. Admission is free.
Alumni Memorial Chapel  
(517) 355-3464  
www.hfs.msu.edu/union/services/alumni_chapel.html

Nestled within the rolling, park-like lawns sloping gently down to the Red Cedar River stands the picturesque MSU Alumni Memorial Chapel. The non-denominational chapel accommodates all faiths. Alumni travel from around the world to celebrate weddings, baptisms and other ceremonies there. Open to the public Tuesday-Friday, unless scheduled.

Beaumont Tower  
(517) 353-5340  
www.msu.edu/user/carillon/

The Beaumont Tower marks the site of Old College Hall, the first building in America erected for instruction in scientific agriculture. A gift from John W. Beaumont (class of 1882), the tower was dedicated in 1929 and renovated in 1996, making possible weekly carillon concerts throughout the summer. Located on West Circle Drive, near the MSU Museum.

MSU Dairy Store  
(517) 355-8466  
www.dairystore.msu.edu

When you visit the Dairy Store, we want to see you leaving with a smile on your face. We are dedicated to making your visit enjoyable and serving our delectable ice cream and other soda fountain favorites. During your visit, we encourage you to visit the observation deck to see the processing facilities. Located in the South wing of Anthony Hall on Farm Lane. Observe a multimedia presentation on cheese and ice cream production. Store and plant are located at 1140 S. Anthony Hall. A store location is also available in the MSU Union.

Nature Trails

The Sandford natural area is located just off Bogue Street, near Shaw Lane. Baker Woodlot is located between Bogue Street and Farm Lane on Service Road. Wildflowers, birds, and a sense of peace and quiet can be found in these hardwood forests. Open anytime.
MSU Surplus & Recycling Center  
(517) 355-1723  
www.msusurplusstore.com  
www.recycle.msu.edu

MSU is proud of its commitment to sustainability, and the new MSU Surplus Store & Recycling Center is where the terms “Reuse” and “Recycle” come to life. MSU Recycling collects a wide range of recyclable materials and the MSU Surplus Store collects all unwanted items from campus to reuse and resell—the landfill is always a last resort. A large ever-changing variety of goods are sold on Tuesday from 7:30am to 5:30pm and Friday from 7:30am to 3:30pm.

Call to schedule a tour to view where material is sorted, and baled. LEED Gold aspects of the building are also part of the tour. The community is encouraged to recycle 24 hours a day at the Public Drop-Off Center.

Demmer Shooting Sports Education & Shooting Center  
(517) 884-0550 tel  
(810) 623-0633 cell  
(517) 884-0551 fax  
galella@msu.edu

For shooting sports enthusiasts, newcomers to archery or firearms, or a family or group looking for fun, safe activities the Demmer Shooting Sports Center at MSU is the perfect place! State-of-the-art facility with indoor archery and firearm ranges, Patient, courteous DADA-or NRA-certified instructors, Classes in archery and firearms, from basic to advanced, Concealed pistol license classes, Classes designed for women, children & beginners. FAMILY FUN - No experience or equipment needed!
Bicycle Rentals; MSU Bikes Service Center
(517) 432-3400
www.bikes.msu.edu
Rent a bicycle to tour our lovely campus. The Center is located under Bessey Hall auditorium just 200 feet northwest of the Farm Lane Bridge. Restrooms/lockers are available.
A full range of bicycle repair services for varying fees are available. Bike rentals are also offered, as are a variety of bike-related accessories. Other services include free 24-hour air access, bike storage, and bike assembly. A number of classes related to bicycling maintenance, safety and commuting are offered. A growing library of bike books and videos/DVDs can also be checked out for free. The Center’s hours vary by semester; check the website for current hours or call.

Forest H. Akers Golf Courses
(517) 355-1635
www.golf.msu.edu/
Come and tune up your golf game. Hit a bucket of balls on our award-winning driving range. Lessons and clinics are available for all ages. Junior golf clinics are available for children ages 4-18. Costs range from $0-$99 for the junior clinics. There are also weekly junior and family golf leagues offered. Forest Akers is a public golf facility, so all are invited to come and play!

Breslin Student Events Center
(517) 432-5000
www.breslincenter.com
The Breslin Center is a multi-purpose, 15,000 seat arena that is home to the MSU Men’s and Women’s Basketball Teams as well as concerts, family shows, conferences, and more! Private box suite rentals are available for most events. Visit the website and subscribe to the Breslin Insider List to be the first to know what events are coming to the Breslin Center.

MSU Intramural Sports Family Programs
www.imsports.msu.edu/
Spouses and families of students, faculty, and staff may use intramural facilities in a variety of ways by presenting a University spouse identification
Student, faculty, and staff spouse ID cards are available at the Administration Building. Dependent children may participate with parents on designated courts throughout the year at either IM West or IM Circle only. Families are also invited to use indoor and outdoor pools during family recreation times.

**NOTE:** The IM department does not provide child care. Parents or guardians are expected to stay with their children and may only use those facilities during family hours.

## Intramural Sports Facilities

- **Intramural Circle**  
  (517) 355-4710  
  Volleyball, basketball, and indoor pool. Location: West Circle Drive

- **Intramural East**  
  (517) 353-3136  
  Exercise fitness room, volleyball, basketball, racquetball & squash, indoor running track, aerobics. Location: Shaw Lane across from McDonel Hall

- **Intramural West**  
  (517) 355-5250  
  Fitness room, racquetball, squash, volleyball, tennis, badminton, basketball, indoor and outdoor pool. Location: Corner of Demonstration Hall and Chestnut Road

- **Sailing Center**  
  (Lake Lansing)  
  (517) 339-8269  
  www.msusailing.com

- **Swimming Classes**  
  (517) 355-5250  
  Swimming classes are offered to children ages 3-14. Six skill levels are taught during each class time. Enrollment is limited to maintain a ratio of five students per instructor. There is a nominal fee and sessions are open to the general public. For MSU students with children who live in University Housing, there are a limited number of Milton E. and Kathleen Muelder scholarships available to help cover the cost of enrollment.

- **MSU Tennis**  
  (517) 355-2209  
  http://msutennis.msu.edu/  
  Eight indoor courts, ball machine rental, classes, clinics, lessons, pro shop, racquet repair and new cardio tennis available! Located at 3571 E. Mt. Hope Road. Public welcomed. Indoor court cost is $17 for MSU students, $24 for faculty/staff (ID required), and $28 for Public. 20 outdoor lighted courts are also available south of the Clara Bell Smith Academic Center on Wilson Road. There is no charge to use the outdoor courts.
**Munn Ice Arena**  
(517) 353-4698 or 353-7263  
www.munnicearena.com

Munn Ice Arena is open 7 days a week. Munn has available: public skating, drop-in hockey, freestyle sessions or you can just call 353-4698 and rent your own sheet of ice for an event, party, or hockey game. Call 353-7263 (automated) or log onto our website for all skating and hockey times. Admissions for open skating is $4 for MSU students, faculty, and staff, and anyone under 18 years of age; and $5 for the regular public. Skate rental is available for $2. Admission for drop-in hockey is $4/person and freestyle skating is $5/person. You can rent your own hour or more of ice. The cost is $185/hour for students* and $240-270/hour for the regular public.

*student rate is based on 100% participation of MSU students and/or faculty and staff.

**MSU Sailing Center**  
(517) 339-8269  
www.msusailing.com

Come sail away with us...... The MSU Sailing Center invites everyone to learn how to sail. We have lessons for all ages, from youth to adult and the public is welcome. The Center is open from May to September with lessons starting in June. Arrange an outing for your organization or department for a fun day on the water. We also run programming for 4-H, Boy Scouts, and many different youth groups. Already a Sailor? We offer weekly, monthly, and seasonal membership which include free use of our boats. Dock at our website or call the Sailing Center for more information.

**Athletic Events**  
(517) 355-1610  
http://msuspartans.com/

Jenison Field House serves as the Athletic Ticket Office for all varsity sporting events. Call to get the latest schedule on your favorite sport during normal business hours. You may call the “time check phone line” to confirm times for a variety of sports. (432-TIME)

**Spartan Sprout Soccer Camps**  
(517) 881-7385  
www.sproutsoccercamp.com  
email: tammyfarnum@hotmail.com

Spartan Sprouts Soccer Camp is for boys and girls ages 5-9. It is specifically geared toward the young developing player and also for a player that might be taking up the
group rates are also available. Tournaments are held throughout the school year.

**MSU Sports Camps**
*(517) 432-0730*
**www.sportcamps.msu.edu**

Camps are typically held in June and July lasting 2-5 days long. Participants reside in MSU residence halls. Rates vary. Information and registration can be found at the website.

**Persons with Disabilities**
*(517) 353-3866*
**www.education.msu.edu/kin/research/ssp.asp**

Would you like to improve your level of fitness? MSU’s Department of Kinesiology has developed a Sports Skills Program for children and adults with disabilities. Whether you are preparing for a competition or just want to get in shape, this program can help you by providing coaching and instruction. It’s never too early or too late to be interested in achieving better health and physical well-being. $70-125 per semester, scholarships available to those who qualify.
Burchfield Park
(517) 676-2233
http://inghamcountyparks.org
Burchfield Park is 540 acres and is the largest park in Ingham County. Stocked fishing gives anglers a chance to hook 11-13” trout. More than 6 miles of trails which follow along the Grand River through beautiful wooded areas. 10 miles of mountain biking trails available. Take a swim in the natural spring fed pond, or relax on the golden sand beach. Rent a canoe, kayak or pedal boat. During the winter, race your friends down our 700ft. toboggan runs, take a ride down our two sledding hills, bring your skis (or rent some from us) and enjoy cross country skiing. Moonlight skiing is available on Friday nights. Located at 881 Grovenburg Road, Holt.

Children’s Ballet Theatre of Michigan
(517) 482-2553
www.cbtdance.org
Offers entertainment for the entire family through its delightful performances of both classical and contemporary ballet. The company, comprised of children 8-18 yrs. old, performs The Nutcracker ballet each Thanksgiving weekend at MSU’s Wharton Center. A spring dance concert, usually a story ballet, is held at an area venue each May. During the summer, a company ensemble performs at community fairs, festivals and historic theaters throughout Michigan.

East Lansing Public Library
(517) 351-2420
http://elpl.org
The library offers a variety of reading activities and programs for families with children of all ages. Located at 950 Abbot Road, East Lansing.

East Lansing Family Aquatic Center
(517) 332-4420 or 333-2580
www.cityofeastlansing.com
Located on Abbot Road, north of Lake Lansing Road. The East Lansing Family Aquatic Center features a
zero depth entry pool, four water slides (body slide, tube slide, drop slide, youth frog slide), diving board, splash pad and interactive water features along with a sand play area for the kids, sun deck and concessions area. Changing rooms and lockers available.

**East Lansing**

**Bike/Hike Trails**

The Northern Tier trail connects many East Lansing neighborhoods and links to Abbot Road Park, Harrison Meadows Park, White Memorial Park, the Family Aquatic Center and Soccer and Softball Fields. The Northern Tier trail is five miles in length. The trails host bikers, joggers, walkers, skaters and skateboarders year-round.

**East Lansing Hannah Community Center**

(517) 333-2580  
[www.cityofeastlansing.com](http://www.cityofeastlansing.com)

Located on Abbot Road at Burcham Drive, the center offers a wide array of recreational and fitness activities for all ages: teen center, indoor swim pool with slides, 500-seat auditorium, fitness center, gymnasiums, and banquet facilities. The center is home to the East Lansing Seniors’ Program which offers recreational, educational, social and fitness activities for area senior citizens.

**Edru Skate-a-Rama**  
(517) 699-2001  
[www.skatarama.com](http://www.skatarama.com)

Offers public roller skating or blading, private parties, laser tag, birthday parties, lessons, arcade, snack bar and full service ice cream shoppe. Located at 1891 N. Cedar in Holt.

**Fenner Nature Center**  
(517) 483-4224  
[www.lansingmi.gov/parks/fenner](http://www.lansingmi.gov/parks/fenner)

130 acres of natural habitat to explore. Walking trails (open 8:00am-dusk, daily), nature library, nature exhibits and more. Programs for families and group tours are available. Located at 2020 E. Mt. Hope, Lansing. Free admission.

**Funtyme Adventure Parks**  
(800) FUNTYME  
[www.funtymepark.com/](http://www.funtymepark.com/)

Offers miniature golf, arcades, pizza, go-carts, batting cages, and more. Located at 3384 James Phillips Drive, Okemos.

**Harris Nature Center**

(517) 349-3866  
[www.meridian.mi.us/Parks](http://www.meridian.mi.us/Parks)

Surrounded by forests and meadows, this center is set on the banks of the Red Cedar River. Trails are open from dawn to dusk. Inside the building, nature displays are
accented by the Preuss Living River Exhibit and the live reptile and amphibian displays. Programs for families are year round. Cross country ski and snowshoe rentals are available during the winter months. Located at 3998 Van Atta Road, Okemos. Free admission.

**Hawk Island County Park**  
(517) 676-2233  
[http://inghamcountyparks.org](http://inghamcountyparks.org)  
This park includes a sandy beach and a 4,500 sq. ft. splash park in the hot summer months. Concession stand, playground, pedal boats and rowboats, picnic tables and grills, picnic shelters, and a 1.5 mile asphalt path alongside the 30 acre lake, kept snow free for your year round walking enjoyment. Sledding is available in the winter months with a warming lodge available on the weekends. Located at 1601 E. Cavanaugh in Lansing.

**Impression 5 Science Center**  
(517) 485-8116 ext. 32  
[www.impression5.org/](http://www.impression5.org/)  
Explore, discover, and experience Mid-Michigan’s leading hands-on/minds-on science and technology center, providing activities, demonstrations, and exhibits for members and visitors 2 to 92! Located at 200 Museum Drive in Lansing and is open Mon. - Thurs. 10am-5pm, Fri. & Sat. 10am-7pm, & Sun. 12pm-5pm. Every Saturday is a Super Saturday with changing themed activities from 11am-4pm. Scientific Sundays are opportunities for families to explore a variety of scientific questions and answers. Admission is $5/adults & students and $4.50 seniors. Children pay their age until 5yrs old.

**Lansing Lugnuts**  
(517) 485-4500  
[www.lansinglugnuts.com/](http://www.lansinglugnuts.com/)  
The Lansing Lugnuts, Class-A affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays are heading into their 15th season “Going Nuts” in Michigan’s capital city. Featured in USA Today and on CNN for their successes, the Lugnuts make their home at beautiful Cooley Law School Stadium. The Lugnuts continue to be the key component in revitalizing Lansing’s downtown while providing fun, affordable, family entertainment to fans in Mid-Michigan and beyond. Entertainment highlights include fireworks shows, giveaways, and zany promotions. Every Sunday
The Lugnuts start play in April and the season runs through the middle of September. Located in downtown Lansing at the Cooley Law School Stadium, 505 E. Michigan Avenue. Tickets range between $7-9.

Lake Lansing
Park - North
(517) 676-2233
http://inghamcountyparks.org
410 acres of natural surroundings. Come discover a variety of ecosystems, which harbor mature oak, maple woodlands, marshlands, pine plantations and transitional field areas as you traverse the more than 5 miles of hiking trails. In the winter, bring your skis (or rent some from us) and enjoy cross country skiing through a snow covered forest. Located at 6260 E. Lake Drive, Haslett.

Lake Lansing
Park - South
(517) 676-2233
http://inghamcountyparks.org
30 acre park includes a swimming beach, barbecue grills, concession stand, pedal boats and rowboats, and an expansive playground including a trike track. A band shell offers visitors a chance to hear various types of music while enjoying warm summer evenings. Listen to some of the best music mid-Michigan has to offer! Located at 1621 Pike Street off of Marsh Road, Haslett.

Michigan Historical Museum
(517) 373-3559
www.michigan.gov/museum
The Michigan Historical Museum, located in downtown Lansing, tells Michigan’s story from pre-contact times to 1900 through permanent exhibits on its second floor. Exhibits about “Michigan in the 20th Century” fill the third floor. Special exhibits in a first floor gallery change yearly and have focused on collections and themes ranging from underwater archaeology to Civil War Flags. Located at 702 W. Kalamazoo in Lansing.

Meridian Historic Village
(517) 347-7300
www.merhistvill.org
Has an authentic schoolhouse, the last standing toll-gate house in Michigan, summer day camps, farm house and barn, country store, Inn, tavern, school tours and girl scout programs. Open on Saturdays.
from 10am-2pm from May to October. Located behind Nokomis Learning Center on Marsh Road in Okemos.

**Mid-Michigan Equestrian Center**  
(989) 227-56437

Mid-Michigan Equestrian Center is a nonprofit organization committed to providing quality equine instruction. Provides therapeutic riding to individuals with many types of disabilities. Offers regular riding lessons, English, Western, Dressage, and Jumping. Our programs run year round. Located on a 30 acre farm with a 60 X 120 indoor riding arena, and a heated viewing room. Located in St. Johns, 20 minutes north of Lansing. For more information please call.

**Nokomis Learning Center**  
(517) 349-5777  
www.nokomis.org

Native American Learning Classes. The Nokomis Learning Center offers a variety of programs and services for school classes, scout troops, and other groups. All of these programs accentuate a personal, interactive approach that allows visitors to be participants in a unique educational experience. Walk in visitors are free and always welcome, though a suggested donation of $3.00 is preferred. Located at 5153 Marsh Road, Okemos. Lectures, special events, and new programs are happening all the time. Check the website, call, or stop in for updates on special happenings!

**Patriarche Park**  
(517) 337-9459

This convenient park features a large wooden play structure designed by East Lansing area children. The park also has baseball fields, picnic areas, tennis courts and basketball courts. At the corner of Saginaw and Alton Rds, E. Lansing.

**Potter Park Zoo**  
(517) 483-4222  
www.potterparkzoo.org

Exhibits of more than 400 wonders of wildlife including rhinoceroses, red pandas, tigers, leopards and meerkats. Pony rides and picnic pavilions are available for a charge. Located at 1301
S. Pennsylvania, Lansing.
Admission costs between $2-$10/person. Parking costs $2 for Ingham County residents & $4 for non-residents.

R. E. Olds Transportation Museum
(517) 372-0529
www.reoldsmuseum.org
A collection of artifacts and documents pertaining to the auto industry and Lansing area transportation from 1883 to the present. Over 50 vehicles on display. Located at 240 Museum Drive in Lansing. Admission is $5 for adults; $3 for students and seniors over 65; children under 5 are free.

Riverfront Park and Trail
(517) 483-4277
Located in downtown Lansing, along the Grand River. Bike trails and the Riverwalk pathway provide over 8 miles of exercise and fun.

Schuler Books and Music
(517) 349-8840
www.schulerbooks.com
Often offers special readings and events for children and families at our stores. Please watch their calendar for more information. Located in the Meridian Mall, 1982 Grand River Avenue, Okemos.

State Capitol Building
(517) 373-2353
http://council.legislature.mi.gov/lcfa/capitol-tours.html
Step back into the Victorian Era with a visit to Michigan’s award-winning Capitol Building. Tours of the public areas and the House and Senate galleries are available Mon.-Fri. every half-hour between 9am-4pm. Admission is free. Located at the intersection of Capitol and Michigan Avenue, Lansing.

Sundance Riding Stables
(517) 627-5500
www.sundanceridingstables.com
Open to the public. Rent and ride by the hour on over 200 acres of trails. No experience necessary. Enjoy private parties - campsites, hayrides, and indoor arena. Open every day. Located at 9250 Nixon Road, Grand Ledge (15 minutes from campus).
Turner-Dodge House & Heritage Center
(517) 483-4220
http://parks.cityoflansing-mi.com/tdodge
This authentically restored classical revival house was the home of pioneers of the State and Capitol City. It features many events, including: teas, tours, and special events. Open year round Tues. - Fri 10pm-5pm. Each first Sunday of the month features Lansing’s best local artists. Located at 100 E. North Street in Lansing. $3.50 residents, $5.00 non-residents, and $2.00 for children.

W.K. Kellogg Manor House
(269) 671-2416
www.kbs.msu.edu/visit/manor_house
The Kellogg Manor house is part of the MSU Kellogg Biological Station located between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo on Gull Lake at 3700 E. Gull Lake Drive, Hickory Corners, MI. The former summer home of cereal magnate W.K. Kellogg has been restored to its original grandeur. The gardens surrounding the house have been partially restored and the Manor is once again a beautiful and stately residence. The house is open April-December for a 1:00pm tour (about 1 hr. long). Entrance fee is $5/adult, $4/seniors, students and children ages 6-18. Please call for more information.

Woldumar Nature Center
(517) 322-0030
www.woldumar.org
Nestled along the Grand River, Woldumar offers visitors five miles of natural trails. Provides various nature-related programs for schools, “Camp Discovery” for children and teens, and great events for the whole family. The WolduMarket Gift Shop has nature-related items and interpretive displays. Woldumar awaits the hiker or cross-country skier who can enjoy the feel of the Great North Country right here in Lansing. Located at 5739 Old Lansing Road, Lansing, Trails open daily, dawn to dusk.
Calendar of Activities

Including on and off-campus activities!

For information on sports activities, please visit http://msuspartans.collegesports.com/

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APRIL

14 - MSU Student Parents on a Mission (SPOM) Spring Carnival, Breslin Center, East Lansing. Come out and show support for MSU student parents to help bring awareness of non-traditional students. Bring the kids and enjoy bounce inflatables, clowns, karaoke, Potters Park animals, carnival games, and more. Admission is FREE. Donations requested. 1:00pm - 5:00pm at the MSU Breslin Center. For more information visit www.frc.msu.edu.

15 - Race for the Place 5K Run/Walk/Wheel, East Lansing. This April race is open to the public and features a 5k run, competitive run/walk/wheel, and kids’ fun runs. The 3.1 mile course winds through the MSU campus along the Red Cedar River, and it begins and ends at the Jenison Field House. Proceeds from the event benefit MSU Safe Place. http://www.msu.edu/~safe (517) 355-1100.

21 - Small Animals Day, East Lansing. MSU Farms are open for visits from thousands of children of all ages. Buses transport visitors from the commuter lot at Mt. Hope Road and Farm Lane to the MSU Pavilion, Horse Farm, and Poultry Farm. $3/person, event begins at 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Arrive by 11am to visit all of the exhibits! http://cvm.msu.edu/about-the-college/news-events/events/small-animals-day (517) 355-0235.

MAY

5 - Spring Fling, Mason. Come experience all that Spring Fling has to offer. Includes a 5K run, craft show, pie sale, duck race and much more—there’s something for everyone. (517) 676-1046 www.masonchamber.org

5 - Victorian Festival, Grand Ledge. Participate in a weekend salute to spring and the Victorian era. 10am-5pm. Free Admission (517) 627-2383. www.victoriandays.org
19-20 - **Michigan State University Spring Arts & Crafts Show**, East Lansing. Three hundred exhibits showcase crafters and artists from throughout the Midwest on the arbor-like campus of MSU near the Union. (517) 355-3354. www.uabevents.com/artsandcrafts

19-20 - **East Lansing Art Festival**, East Lansing. The City of East Lansing blocks off its downtown streets to host more than 200 artists from across the country for its 43rd annual art festival. (517) 319-6804. www.elartfest.com

25-27 - **Fiesta 2011**, Lansing. This annual fiesta features the best in Mexican food, traditional music, dazzling folklore, and a Mexican marketplace. (517) 394-4639. www.cristoreylansing.catholicweb.com

### June

2 - **The Board of Water & Light Chili Cook-off**, Lansing. More than 40 local businesses compete annually to win the hearts, palates, and votes of attendees. Competitors showcase culinary skills for a great cause at a riverside party with 1,500 gallons of chili, cold beer and margaritas and live bands. Adado Park on West Side of Grand River 5pm-10pm. (517) 702-6730. www.lbwl.com

2 - **Be a Tourist In Your Own Town**, Lansing. This city-wide celebration showcases the local museums, galleries, theaters and attractions of Greater Lansing. (517) 487-6800. www.lansing.org/batyot

8-10 - **Gizzard Fest**, Potterville. This annual festival is world renowned and draws over 16,000 people annually. There is a classic car show, arts and crafts, 3 on 3 basketball and softball tournaments, mini modified pulling tractors, antique tractor show, parade, fireworks, beer tent, music and lots to eat including gizzards. www.gizzardfest.com

14-16 - **Lansing Juneteenth Celebration**, Lansing. Commemorating the end of slavery in the United States by celebrating the joys of liberty, educating the community about our heritage and by promoting positive cultural interaction. This three-day event includes music, dance, entertainment, education and celebration. (517) 394-6000 www.lansingjuneteenthcelebration.org

21-23 - **Yankee Doodle Days**, Grand Ledge. This annual event features fun for the entire family with a parade, craft show, carnival, street dances, fireworks, and “Mudge’s Follies” musical revue. (517) 627-2383. www.grandledge.mi.com/events_and_festivals.php
22-23 - **Summer Solstice Jazz Festival**, East Lansing. The festival will hit downtown with two extraordinary evenings of jazz that will keep you swinging and dancing. Free of charge, sponsored by the East Lansing Arts Commission. (517) 319-6927. www.eljazzfest.com

16-18 - **Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow**, Lansing. Experience the Woodland Indian culture of Michigan at Adado Riverfront Park with programs that highlight dancing, drumming, singing, arts and crafts, food and more. (517) 393-7236. www.riverbanktraditional.org

16 - **Oldsmobile Homecoming**, Lansing. This is the largest one day Oldsmobile-only car show and swap meet in North America. Oldsmobiles will range in age from 1903 to the last cars built. Find over 500 show cars and 100 car related swap meet and vendor spaces. www.reolds.org

18-24 - **Red Cedar Jubilee**, Williamston. The Red Cedar Jubilee features parades as well as craft shows, a demolition derby, lawn mower races, a duck drop and a food and beverage tent with live music. While in town visit the antiques district. (517) 655-3831. www.williamston.org

23 - **Delta Rocks!** Family Festival, Delta Township. A free family festival which features clowns, petting zoo, pony rides, inflatable attractions, kids’ make-it and take-it crafts, music, classic car show, super sling shot, face painting, concessions and more. (517) 323-8555. www.deltami.gov

22-23 - **Festival of the Moon & Sun**, Old Town Lansing. The Festival of the Moon features micro-brewed beers, great music and more, the Friday evening before the Festival of the Sun. The Festival is one of Michigan’s largest beer and wine tasting festivals, with local live music. (517) 485-4283. www.festivalofthesun.com

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**JULY**

9-14 - **Eaton County Fair**, Charlotte Fairgrounds. Whether you enjoy tractor and truck pulls, motor-cross races, demolition derbies or concerts by nationally renowned performers, you can find it all at the Eaton County 4-H Fair. (517) 649-8580. www.eatoncountyfair.com

9-15 - **Common Ground Festival**, Lansing. Music, food and fun can be found along the banks of the Grand River as thousands of participants are drawn to hear nationally known artists. Be sure to bring a blanket and enjoy a concert under the stars. (517) 267-1502. www.commongroundfest.com
30 - Aug. 4 - **Ingham County Fair**, Mason. Celebrating 158 years, the fair offers something for everyone including hundreds of exhibits, the excitement of the grandstand events, large midway, a petting zoo, clowns and more! (517) 676-2428. http://ingham.org/fb/grandstand.htm

**AUGUST**

3-4 - **Bath Days Festivals**, Bath. Home of the “International Bath Tub Races,” this family friendly festival includes craft and car shows, children’s entertainment and play area, a parade and of course the main feature - bath tub races down Main Street! www.bathdaysfestival.com

3-4 - **Lansing Jazzfest**, Old Town Lansing. Tour the streets of Old Town with its galleries and art exhibits, while you enjoy music from some of the region’s best jazz musicians. (517) 371-4600. www.jazzlansing.com

4 - **Island Art Fair**, Grand Ledge. The 39th Annual Island Art Fair features over 100 artists selling their works, food and live music on the Second Island in downtown Grand Ledge. Grand Princess boat rides available. www.ledgecraftlane.com

4 - **African American Parade and Family Reunion Picnic**, Lansing. The 13th annual parade will take place in Downtown Lansing on Michigan Avenue, followed by a reunion picnic at Ferris Park. Enjoy ethnic foods, craft exhibits, games and more! (517) 484-2180. www.ccaaca.org

10-12 - **Great Lakes Folk Festival**, East Lansing. East Lansing plays host to this festival filled with live music stages and a dance pavilion, as well as food and traditional crafts from across America. (517) 355-2370.

10-12 - **Mint Festival**, St. Johns. Celebrate over 100 years of mint farming in Clinton County with an art fair, specialty food concessions, parade, Queen’s Pageant and various sporting tournaments. The festival highlight continues to be the world class rodeo. (989) 224-7248.

28 - **Car/Capital Celebration**, Lansing. The birthplace of Oldsmobile transforms into a showplace for antique and collector cars, hot rods and race cars with live entertainment, music and much more. (517) 372-0529. www.reoldsmuseum.org

16-18 - **Renegade Festival**, Old Town Lansing. Three days of free theatre showcased in Lansing’s most artistic district—Old Town;
featuring a wide range of performance styles from comedy, puppet shows, musicals, improv, staged readings and more! (517) 927-3016 www.renegadetheatrefestival.org

16-18 - **Dewitt Ox Roast**, DeWitt. For over 51 years the residents of DeWitt have celebrated along the banks of the Looking Glass River with an arts and crafts show, food and beverage tents, a parade, classic car show, entertainment, fireworks at dusk and more! (517) 669-3413. www.dewittoxroast.net

**SEPTEMBER**

5-9 - **Frontier Days**, Charlotte. Pioneer spirited guests will enjoy this annual event featuring one of mid-Michigan’s largest parades, a championship rodeo, flea market, fireworks, more than 250 arts and crafts exhibits, an old-fashioned saloon and much more! (517) 543-3325. www.charlottefrontierdays.com


21-22 - **Old Town Bluesfest**, Lansing. The streets of Old Town are filled with blues music. See live performances on two stages, and enjoy food vendors and beverage tents. (517) 371-4600. www.oldtownbluesfest.com

**OCTOBER**

5-6 - **Oktoberfest**, Old Town Lansing. Old Town Oktoberfest, Lansing’s only German-style festival, features all things German, including live Polka, tasty food, and of course, wonderful German beers. Festival patrons receive a souvenir mug to remember the event. (517) 485-4283 www.oldtownoktoberfest.com


12-14 - **Color Cruise and Island Festival**, Grand Ledge. Take a trip down memory lane in an old-fashioned covered wagon or glide down the scenic Grand River on a riverboat. Pioneer demonstrations captivate visitors with cider pressing, live folk music, traditional dance and more. (517) 627-2383 www.grandledgemi.com/events_and_festivals.php

20-21 - **Apple Butter Festival**, Lansing. Tempt your taste buds with fresh cider and apple butter being made right before your eyes. (517) 483-4224

27-28 - **Boo at the Zoo**, Lansing. All little goblins and ghosts welcome as we celebrate Halloween at the zoo! Noon to 4pm. Featuring our animals, mascots and other activities including our Boo Tunnel, hayride, face-painting, trebuchet and more!

**NOVEMBER**

7-15 - **East Lansing Film Festival**, East Lansing. A world-class film festival offering independent features, documentaries and shorts as well as tributes, seminars, premieres and parties. (517) 980-5802 www.elff.com

11 - **Global Festival**, East Lansing. This multicultural event celebrates and creates awareness of international cultures through displays, food, and performances. This event is open to the entire community. There is no admission charge. Held at the MSU Union. (517) 353-1720. http://cvip.isp.msu.edu/glovalfestival

16 - **Silver Bells in the City**, Lansing. The city will be aglow with holiday decorations as we light Michigan’s official holiday tree. Over 100,000 people will line the streets to watch the electric light parade and join the fun at this free family event. (517) 372-4636. www.silverbellsinthecity.org

Nov. 23 - Dec. 23 - **Wonderland of Lights**, Lansing. Potter Park Zoo is transformed into a magical winter wonderland with thousands of holiday lights and extraordinary displays. (517) 483-4222. www.potterparkzoo.org

**DECEMBER**

1 - **Old Town Dickens Village**, Old Town Lansing. This free event starts the holiday season by celebrating Old Town’s Victorian heritage. Enjoy family-friendly activities such as horse-drawn carriage rides, puppet shows, a holiday market, carolers and more. (517) 485-4283 www.oldtownfestivals.com

1-2 - **MSU Arts & Crafts Holiday Show**, East Lansing. The 49th annual show will be held at the MSU Union on the corner of Grand River Ave and Abbot Rd in East Lansing, MI. With four floors of booths, this show is one of the largest holiday arts and crafts shows in the State. Admission is free and there is ample, free parking close to the building. (517) 355-3354. www.uabevents.com/artsandcrafts.html
Junior Spartan Club
(517) 432-2607
www.msu.edu/user/jrsparty
Take part in the fun and excitement of Spartan athletics! Join the Junior Spartan Club open to PreK-8th grade. Membership includes a t-shirt, newsletter, website, a “Go Green” card and free admission to selected home sporting events and special events. Individual membership is $25.

City of East Lansing Parks, Recreation & Arts
(517) 333-2580
ELPRA offers many classes for youth and adults. They host numerous special events and summer sports camps. Call for a current catalog. ELPRA also offers Day Camps for children entering kindergarten through 8th grade. Each week is theme based and part time or full time is available.

YMCA
www.ymcaoflansing.org
The YMCA has three branches in Lansing to serve you, offering classes, sports for ages Pre-K thru High School, and summer camps and clubs. Call for a brochure, or come by for a visit!

Oak Park YMCA
900 Long Blvd.
Lansing, MI, 48911
517-699-9622

Parkwood YMCA
2306 Haslett Rd.
E. Lansing, MI 48823
517-332-8657

Westside Community
3700 Old Lansing Rd.
Lansing, MI 48917
517-316-YMCA

Downtown Wellness Center
119 N. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48933
517-484-4000

Mystic Lake Camp
P.O. Box 100
Lake, MI 48632
989-544-2844

For information about parks:
Ingham County parks
(517) 676-2233

Eaton County parks
(517) 627-7351

Lansing Parks & Recreation
(517) 483-4277

East Lansing Parks
(517) 319-6809
www.lansingmi.gov/parks
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www.spartanyouth.msu.edu

To order more copies, please contact:

MSU Family Resource Center
1407 S. Harrison, Suite 225
East Lansing, MI 48823
http://www.frc.msu.edu
frc@hr.msu.edu
(517) 432-3745

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