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### Ribbon Cutting & Open House

NorthStar Cooperative, October 14  
Open House 12-5pm  
Ribbon Cutting 1pm  
Please join the Chamber of Commerce as they welcome NorthStar Cooperative to Grand Ledge with a Ribbon Cutting at 1pm. Food and drinks will be provided during the Open House, as well as tours of the new laboratory. NorthStar Cooperative is located at 1163 Comet Lane. See you there!



### Color Cruise & Island Festival

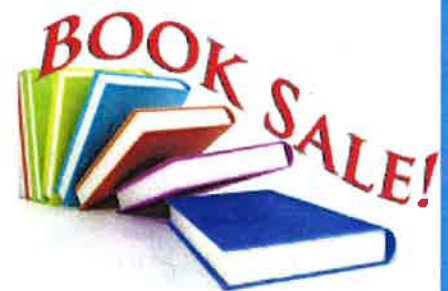
October 9, 10, 11;  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Color Cruise is almost here! Lots of activities are planned including pumpkin painting, candle dipping, weaving

and kettle corn popping over an open fire. There will be music, food, entertainment, pioneer demonstrations, fur traders and a petting zoo. This great event takes many volunteers and we could use YOUR help for a 2-hr shift. Also, this is a fun and easy opportunity for students to earn service hours.

Call the Chamber at 627-2383 or sign up online at [GrandLedgeChamber.com](http://GrandLedgeChamber.com)

### Used Book Sale

Grand Ledge Area District Library Club Room, October 10; 10am-3pm  
Saturday STEAM & Used Book Sale  
Stop by during the Color Cruise. We'll have a variety of activities to stir your imagination – and you'll be able to browse our selection of gently used books, and take home some bargains! Prices: \$1 hardbound adult/teen; .25 paperback adult/teen; .10 childrens; \$1 cd/DVDs!



### Thank You All In Event Sponsors:





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Lettuce, Cheese & Tomato  
Chips & Pickle Spear

**Choose Your Homemade Soup**

Chunky Vegetable Beef or  
Chunky Vegetable Chicken  
Served with Choice of Rice or  
Noodles

**Choose Your 12oz Fountain  
Drink & Cookie**

Available Tues. Wed. & Thur.  
10am – 2pm

TAKE OUT TOO!

**BICYCLE COLOR TOUR**

The Eaton County Parks Commission invites you and your family to join us for the 29th Annual Family Bicycle Color Tour on Saturday, October 10, 2015. Two different tour routes are available. Route one leaves from Fitzgerald Park in Grand Ledge at 10 a.m. and travels to the Country Mill on Otto Rd. This is a 12 mile one-way ride or a 24 mile round trip ride. Cost for the Fitzgerald Park ride is \$3 per adult, \$2 per child (12 and under), or \$8 per family.

Route two departs from Fox Park in Potterville at 11 a.m. This is a 4 mile round trip ride to the Country Mill. Cost for the Fox Park ride is \$2 per person or \$8 per family. You may wish to bring additional money to purchase items at the Country Mill. Advance registration is recommended. For more information or to register, Please call (517) 627-7351.

**COLOR CRUISE LEDGES TOUR**

Take a special Color Cruise Festival one-way ride on the river boat from Island Park to Fitzgerald Park on Saturday, October 10, or Sunday, October 11, at 1:30 p.m. Join Park Naturalist, Jackie Blanc, as she describes scenic and historic sights on the cruise and narrates the walk back along the Ledges Trail. Interested participants will board the river boat at Island Park in downtown Grand Ledge for a 30-minute one-way boat ride to Fitzgerald Park.

Once at the park, individuals will have an opportunity to explore the Nature Center and join the Naturalist for the 45 minute historic walk back along the Ledges Trail to Island Park. Cost for the boat ride is \$4 per person. There is no charge for the guided walk on the Ledges.

Tickets for this or other boat tours may be purchased at Island Park during the Color Cruise Festival weekend—October 9, 10, and 11, 2015. For more Color Cruise information, please contact Grand Ledge Chamber at (517) 627-2383, or visit [www.grandledgechamber.org](http://www.grandledgechamber.org).

**FALL FOLIAGE WALK**

Everyone is invited to join the Park Naturalist for a fall foliage walk at Bennett Park in Charlotte on Tuesday, October 13, at 5:30 p.m.

This is an excellent opportunity for individuals, families, and youth groups to experience the magnificent colors of Michigan's woodlands and learn about the flora and fauna of Eaton County. Interested participants should meet at the front parking lot by the restrooms.

This program is suitable for all ages. Cost for the walk is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. A reduced youth group rate is available. Advance registration is recommended. For more information or to register please call 517-627-7351.

**FOX PARK OBSERVATORY OCTOBER PUBLIC VIEWING NIGHTS**

October 9th & 10th 8pm-11pm

October 23rd & 24th 8pm-11pm

Observation nights will not be held on nights with more than 30% cloud cover. You may call the Observatory at 517-645-6666 during public viewing hours to check sky conditions. Public observation nights are suitable for people of all ages. Program fee is \$2 per person or \$5 per family payable on site.

The Observatory, located at 3979 E. Gresham Hwy., Potterville, MI 48876, is an open air observatory so please dress appropriately for the weather, bring mosquito protection, and wear sturdy footwear for the 200 yard walk to the observatory. Local area astronomers will be on hand during public viewing nights to answer questions about the night sky.

For more information, please visit [www.eatoncountyparks.org](http://www.eatoncountyparks.org) or call the park office at 517-627-7351 and Like Fox Park Observatory on Facebook.

# USED BOOK SALE

Sat. Oct. 10th 10am - 3pm

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\$1 Hardcover adult & teen material

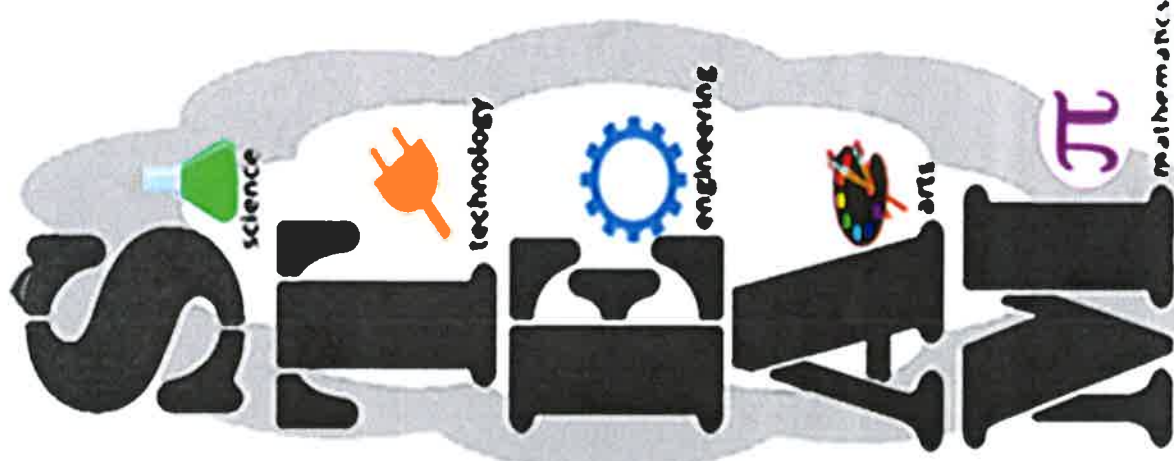
.25 Paperback adult & teen material

.10 all children's material

\$1 DVDs & CDs

# Saturday STEAM

Minecraft, SAM Stop Motion Animation & Legos



[grandledge.lib.mi.us](http://grandledge.lib.mi.us)

# 2015 Grand Ledge Color Cruise and Island Festival

## Music and Special Programs

### Stage & Sound Manager – Sandy Cornell-Howe

#### FRIDAY – OCTOBER 9, 2015

10:15am	Story Time	Ruth Thompson, GL Area District Library
11:30am	Story Time	Ruth Thompson, GL Area District Library
12:30pm	Guitar & Vocals	Mike Coll, "Party With the Preacher"
2:30pm	Jazzercise Lite	Delta Twp Senior Center & Jazzercise
4:00pm	Music & Vocals	?

#### SATURDAY – OCTOBER 10, 2015

11:00am	Jazzercise Demo	Jazzercise
12Noon	?	
1:00pm	Worship Music	Liberty Church
2:00pm	Guitar & Vocals	Craig Hendershott
4:00pm	Christian/Blues/Pop Band	Parted Waters

#### SUNDAY – OCTOBER 11, 2015

12Noon	Old-Time Music	Edna's Stretch Limo
1:00pm	Vocals	Courtney Burgess & Amber Burgess
2:00pm	Barbershop Quartet	Take Note
3:00pm	Dance Performance	Rising Star Studio of Dance
3:30pm	"Comet Ukes"	Grand Ledge 6 <sup>th</sup> Graders
4:00pm	Clogging	L.A. Cloggers

Sandy Cornell-Howe  
Entertainment Chair



# Diamond Dig

October 9, 10 & 11

10 am until 5 pm

At the Color Cruise & Island Festival

(located in downtown Grand Ledge's Island Park)



Search for diamonds & gems  
with the hope of finding 'the big one.'

\$5 for 2 scoops of sand.

Take home what you uncover.



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# Eaton County Parks

A MEMORABLE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE

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September 21, 2015

Press Release

For Immediate Release

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**EATON COUNTY PARKS – A Memorable Outdoor Experience**

# LET'S TAKE A RIVER CRUISE!



**Join us on  
the Grand  
Princess.**

## **GLACC Business After Hours October 20, 5 to 7 p.m.**

Cash bar and light appetizers.  
GLACC Members \$5, non-members \$10 (credit  
cards accepted at the dock).

Arrive at 5:00 at the Grand Princess dock  
located at Island Park in downtown Grand  
Ledge to board the Grand Princess.

The Grand Ledge Opera House Presents

# BOB MILNE

## RAGTIME & The Player Piano Sound

Sunday, October 25 - 3:00 p.m.

**Tickets:**

Presale \$15.00  
At the door \$17.00  
Students \$10.00

**Available at:**

The Grand Ledge Opera  
House, MacDowell's  
Floral & Fireplace,  
and True Value Hardware.

**For more  
information:**

Call 517-627-1443  
or 517-627-5170

**Visit:**

[www.gloperahouse.com](http://www.gloperahouse.com)  
[www.bobmilne.com](http://www.bobmilne.com)

THE  
OPERA HOUSE  
GRAND LEDGE

121 S. Bridge Street  
Corner of Bridge  
& River Streets

Friends of the Opera House Benefit.





ADMISSION FREE  
*Canned good or other nonperishable requested*

GOOD  
FOOD

Battle Creek

October 31



*Good Food Matters: Come to the Table!*

# GOOD FOOD BC CONFERENCE 2015



*Free child care!*

## LEARN

- Cheap, easy recipes
- Fun ways to feed kids
- Health & wellness tips
- Where to get fresh food

## KIDS WELCOME

Hungry for fast, easy ways to feed the family?

Thirsty for info on confusing food labels?

Want to know what foods promote the greatest wellness and where to find them?



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Chef Bryce Fluellen**  
Yams Eatery

## WHEN

Saturday,  
Oct. 31, 2015  
Doors: 7:30 a.m.  
Program: 8:00 a.m.

## WHERE

Calhoun Area Career Center  
(near KCC)  
475 E Roosevelt Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI

Reserve your FREE exhibitor table now: [goodfoodbattlecreek@gmail.com](mailto:goodfoodbattlecreek@gmail.com) • 269.274.3896



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR..



# THE SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW BRIDE TO BRIDE SALE & BRIDAL FASHION RUNWAY SHOW

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, 2015

SELLER  
SETUP:  
9 - 12:30 PM

AT THE GRAND LEDGE OPERA HOUSE  
121 S. BRIDGE ST., GRAND LEDGE, MI

SALE RUNS  
FROM:  
1 - 4 PM

## GOT STUFF?

**\$25 TO RESERVE A TABLE!**

*HAVE YOU RECENTLY  
GOTTEN MARRIED AND  
ARE NOW THE PROUD  
OWNER OF A MOUNTAIN  
OF LEFT OVER  
WEDDING SUPPLIES?*

*COME SET UP A TABLE  
AT THE SALE TO SELL YOUR  
STUFF TO ENGAGED COUPLES!*



## NEED STUFF?

**FREE ADMISSION!**

*HAVE YOU RECENTLY  
GOTTEN ENGAGED AND  
ARE NOW REALIZING  
THAT YOU NEED A  
MOUNTAIN OF  
WEDDING SUPPLIES?*

*COME SHOP OUR SALE  
TO FIND GREAT DEALS ON  
ALL THINGS WEDDING!*

## REASONS TO LOVE A BRIDE TO BRIDE SALE:

*EVERYONE SAVES SOME SERIOUS CASH!*

*PERFECTLY GOOD SUPPLIES ARE REPURPOSED INSTEAD OF THROWN OUT!  
ANY LEFT OVER ITEMS CAN BE LEFT ON SITE FOR CHARITABLE  
CONTRIBUTION TO VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA! EVERYBODY WINS!*

CONTACT THE GRAND LEDGE OPERA HOUSE AT 517-627-1443  
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE A TABLE

GRAND LEDGE OPERA HOUSE  
DECORATE THE OCCASION  
BRIDGE STREET WEDDING CHAPEL

THE DOWRY BRIDAL SALON  
MAC DOWELL'S FLOWER SHOP  
SALON 219  
AND MANY MORE!

BIG PURPLE BLOOMERS DRESS BOUTIQUE  
MICHAELLA GRAHAM MAKEUP





**Barry-Eaton  
District  
Health  
Department**

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH HIGHLIGHTS  
October 2015**

**Scheduled Your Annual Mammogram Yet?** Are you a woman between the ages of 40-64 years in need of breast cancer screening or diagnostic testing? Depending on your income and situation, you MAY QUALIFY for free services through the Michigan Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program. For more information, please call the Clinic at 517-541-2630 or 269-945-9516.

***Building Bridges for Health***

Congratulations to the Village of Middleville for their adoption of a **Complete Streets resolution on July 7, 2015!** Proactive Village leaders and community members diligently educated the community about Complete Streets and approved a Complete Streets Resolution. For information about Complete Streets, visit <http://bit.ly/1qj3SZc>.


**Is the Water You are Drinking Safe?** Will Your Septic System Stand the Test of Time? For more information about these Well Water and Septic System questions and more, check out BEDHD's new Well and Septic Maintenance fact sheets at <http://bit.ly/1MhjZBL>.

**Preparing for Flu Season** Flu is the 8<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the U.S. At highest risk are children under five years of age, pregnant women, people with chronic conditions and older adults. At the Health Department in Charlotte and Hastings flu shots and flu-mist are available

for children ages 6 months – 18 years of age. Call for an appointment 517-541-2630 or 269-945-9516. For other vaccine locations visit <http://flushot.healthmap.org/>.

**Halloween Safety** Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. There are several easy tricks parents can share with kids to help reduce their risk of injury. On average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween as on any other day of the year. Visit <http://www.safekids.org/halloween> for the top tips for safe Trick-or-Treating.



 **Do You Have Back-up Power?** We count on electricity for heat, food, and medical needs. Many gas appliances even need electricity to run. A power outage is an emergency that often follows another emergency—like a hurricane, tornado, or winter storm. For information about preparing yourself for an emergency, visit <http://do1thing.com>.

**Prevention for Shingles** The shingles vaccine is a safe and easy, one-time shot that may keep you from getting shingles. Most people age 60 and older should get vaccinated even if they have already had shingles or do not remember having chicken pox. All Medicare Part D plans and most private health insurance plans will cover the cost; check your insurance plan to make sure. To make an appointment to get the vaccine, please call our offices to make an appointment. Eaton County: 517-541-2630. Barry County: 269-798-4133.

**YOU'RE INVITED**

- 10/13-ECSAAG-Tobacco Sub-committee**  
8:30-9:30 am, Eaton County RESA
- 10/15-Barry County Tobacco Reduction Coalition**  
Noon-1pm, BEDHD, Hastings
- 10/20-Eaton Rapids-Building Healthy Communities**  
3:30-5 pm, Eaton Rapids High School Library
- 10/28-B. Healthy Coalition**  
1-2:30 pm, Spectrum Health Pennock-4<sup>th</sup> floor board room
- 10/29-Grand Ledge-Building Healthy Communities**  
9-10 am, Sawden Building, Rm 107

Visit Our Website at [www.barryeatonhealth.org](http://www.barryeatonhealth.org) or Like Us On Facebook  
[www.facebook.com/barryeatonhealth](https://www.facebook.com/barryeatonhealth)

**Eaton Community Health Center Open in Charlotte** Located inside the Barry-Eaton District Health Department, Cherry Health provides health care services, including comprehensive medical services and behavioral health care. Accepting uninsured, Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, and most insurances. For information, please visit [www.cherryhealth.org](http://www.cherryhealth.org) or call central registration at 517-541-0992.



**Mulch Leaves to Feed Your Lawn** Leaf burning is a serious fire hazard and is illegal in many Michigan communities. Citizens are encouraged to mulch leaves instead by simply mowing over them to chop them into fine mulch. Leaving the mulch on a lawn provides nutrients it will need to look great next spring. In locations where burning is allowed, homeowners are reminded to obtain a permit before they burn.

**Free WORKSITE Quit Smoking Workshops** This workshop is for employers and their employees in the Barry and Eaton County area. This FREE program is a no-pressure, one-time workshop that shows your employees how they can be smoke-free. For more information or to schedule a quit smoking workshop at your business or organization contact Jill Sambaer at 517-541-2610 or email [jsambaer@bedhd.org](mailto:jsambaer@bedhd.org).



**Harvest Road Safety** The harvest season is here, which means drivers can expect more traffic on rural roads. Local officials are urging people to **take it slow** on the roads. Farm equipment is slow and bulky, but has as much right to the roadway as passenger vehicles.

**Women, Infants and Children (WIC)** This program is available to women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or who recently had a baby; infants; and children until their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday. The program provides electronic benefits to purchase healthy foods, nutrition education and individual counseling with a Registered Dietitian, breastfeeding education and support, and referrals to other health and social services. To see if you qualify, call Eaton County 517-541-2630 or Barry County 269-945-9516.

**Dental Clinic in Charlotte** Michigan Community Dental Clinics (MCDC) offers discounted dental services to those who have Medicaid, Delta Dental and those who are low income or uninsured through membership in the Michigan Community Dental Plan (MCDP). There are two levels of membership at MCDC. Call 1-877-313-6232 for more information about services near you or visit <http://midental.org/>. Local clinic: 623 Courthouse Dr., Charlotte, MI 48813.

### **Looking for Fall Activities for Your Family?**



**Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission** is sponsoring the Bennett Park-Fall Foliage Walk on October 13<sup>th</sup>. For event details visit the Eaton County Parks and Rec website at <http://bit.ly/1fIA7jW>.

**Look at Charlton Park** for details about 1. **Arts and Eats** is a free self-driving tour of Allegan and Barry Counties and the surrounding rural region on October 17 and 18. The tour reminds us about the benefits of buying and consuming locally grown foods and supporting Michigan artists as entrepreneurs. 2. **All Hallows Evening** October 24, 2015 from 3 pm – 6 pm. This family oriented event begins with trick - or - treating through the Historic Village. Take a hay ride, enjoy a glass of cider. For event details, visit [http://www.charltonpark.org/news\\_events/](http://www.charltonpark.org/news_events/)

For more information, contact Shelli Smith, Community Health Specialist, 517-541-2644 or [ssmith@bedhd.org](mailto:ssmith@bedhd.org).

NOV. 7, 2015

2 Options

## Paint for Parking

Fundraiser  
To Benefit:

First United  
Methodist Church  
Parking Lot

It's as simple as 1,2,3:

1. **YOU** sign-up and show up
2. **WE** bring the art supplies and set up
3. **WE** show **YOU** how its done!

Canvas Size/Pricing: 16x20 - **\$40**  
Proceeds will result in a **\$20/person**  
donation



Class One 10:00 am to 12:00 noon



Class Two 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm



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411 Harrison Street  
Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837  
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[www.grandlegefirstumc.org](http://www.grandlegefirstumc.org)

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## What's Happening in Grand Ledge

### October

- 9 Fox Park Observatory Public Viewing Night
- 9-11 Color Cruise and Island Festival
- 9-11 Diamond Dig
- 10 Used Book Sale, Grand Ledge District Library
- 10 Bicycle Color Tour
- 13 Fall Foliage Walk
- 13 Fox Park observatory Public Viewing Night
- 14 Northstar Cooperative Ribbon Cutting and Open House

### November

- 7 Paint for Parking
- 8 Bride to Bride Sale