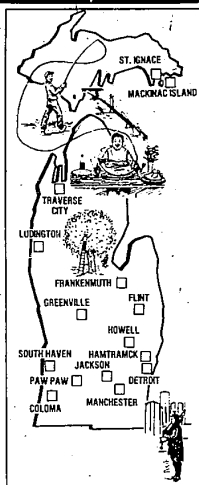


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Hotlines

Festivals, fairs, farms, fishing, boating, musical and cultural events, races and sporting events are just a few of the things Michigan has to offer this summer.

Here are some sources of information on most events:

• "Michigan Calendar of Travel Events," a 32-page booklet that covers festivals and events in the Upper and Lower Peninsula through September. Write to Tourism, Department CE, P.O. Box 30226, Lansing 48909.

• "Spring-Summer Calendar of Events," which covers an 11-county region in southeastern Michigan. Write to Travel and Tourist Association of Southeast Michigan, Suite 350 American Center, 27777 Franklin, Southfield 48034.

• "The Southeast Michigan Outdoor Guide," containing information on canoeing, camping, boating, hunting and fishing, also available from the Travel and Tourist Association of Southeast Michigan.

• "Michigan Country Carousel," a guide to pick-your-own farms and roadside markets throughout the state. Write to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Communications Office, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing 48909.

• "Picksicker's Map of Michigan," a guide to roadside parks and freeway rest areas, available from the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation, Public Information Office, Lansing 48904.

TOURISM HOTLINES that are updated daily throughout the summer include:

• The Department of Natural Resources, updates on camping, hunting and fishing regulations, 368-4410.

• The State Travel Bureau, information on gasoline availability, 1-800-292-2520, will answer specific travel questions and give fishing reports, 1-800-292-2524. Both numbers are toll-free.

Festivals

Michigan's summertime festival schedule reads somewhat like a menu of taste-tempting delicacies.

There's the fruit salad combination of Traverse City's National Cherry Festival July 5-11, South Haven's National Blueberry Festival July 11-19 and Howell's Mjon Festival Aug. 20-23.

For a main course visit the Ludington Salmon Derby Aug. 22 to Sept. 6 or the Manchester Chicken Broil July 18.

What something spicier? Stop by the International Kielbasa Festival July 4 in Hamtramck's Memorial Park, where the sausages will be served from noon to 10 p.m. free of charge, compliments of the city's meat packers.

If you prefer golabki (Polish stuffed cabbage), then head for the Polish Festival in Flint either July 12 or Aug. 23.

For desert there's aebleskiver (fried pancake dough rolled in a ball and coated with powdered sugar) at the Danish Festival in Greenville Aug. 14-16.

The Paw Paw Wine Festival, Sept. 11-13, is the place to quench the thirst that you've by now developed. The local wineries also invite visitors to shed shoes and socks and to start stomping grapes the old-fashioned way.

Bluegrass

Bluegrass music aficionados will have a lot to holler about this summer.

Public radio station WDET kicks off the season Sunday with its Second Annual Motor City Bluegrass Festival at the Meadowbrook Music Festival site in Rochester.

"Last year's festival was the biggest fundraiser the station ever had," said Larry McDaniel, WDET's "Arkansas Traveler." "Seven thousand folks had one heck of a good time — in fact, some of 'em almost had to be thrown out there at the end."

This year eight bluegrass bands will perform from noon to 10 p.m. They are: Dave Evans and the River Bend; the Hotmud Family; John Hunley and his Kentuckians; Stoney Creek; Footloose; The Lost World String Band; The Reel World String Band; and Wendy Smith and the Blue Velvets.

The Detroit News will display its hot air balloon on the grounds and will offer tethered rides, weather per-

mitting; the Mime Ensemble will entertain children, and the Costabella Cloggers will mingle with the crowd and teach their brand of dancing to anyone who wants to give it a try.

Tickets are \$7 and available at CTC ticket outlets. Children 12 and under are free.

ASPLIN FARMS near Flint will hold its First Annual Bluegrass Music Festival May 28-31.

Scheduled performers include: The Osborne Brothers; the McLain Family; the Mike McKellar Band; the Livingston County Grass; Lonesome Road Bluegrass; and the Baileys.

Asplin Farms is 12 miles west of Flint off the M-13. Daily ticket prices range from \$6 to \$8 and four-day passes range from \$20 to \$28. There will be free camping and parking with food concessions on the grounds. For further information call Theima or Laura McKellar at 640-2214.



Greenfield Village

The term "mass-produced elegance" perhaps typifies the atmosphere of Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village. But it's also the name of an exhibition on the impact of the industrial revolution of the middle-class, 19th-century home at the museum through Nov. 1. A spoof of early-American operettas, "Little Mary Sunshine," will be at the Henry Ford Museum Theater June 19 to July 25, followed by the comic melodrama "Peg o' My Heart" Aug. 7 to Sept. 12.

Among the many festivities planned by Greenfield Village are the Muzzle Loaders Festival (June 20, 21), the Colonial Military and Fire and Drum Muster (July 11, 12) and the Old Car Festival (Sept. 12, 13).

The muzzle loaders event will feature hundreds of authentically costumed sharpshooters and actual Civil War cannon demonstrations. At the life and drum muster, military units from Michigan and several eastern states will combine to provide a uniquely American military sound. Finally, hundreds of proud antique car owners will parade their early steam, electric and gasoline vehicles during the old car festival. Competitive races and other events will also be held.

For much more information 271-1620



Frankenmuth

Ist das nicht ein sommergarten? Ya, das ist ein sommergarten.

And then there's the spasplatz, like the sommergarten, replete with German foods and beers.

The scene is Frankenmuth and the occasion is the Bavarian Festival June 14-20, when the German-Americans of that city celebrate their heritage on the Cass River's Heritage Park.

The sommergarten is the name given to the family tent at the festival. The spasplatz, or "fun place," is designed without der kinder in mind.

Frankenmuth, as usual, will offer visitors an abundance of barbecued chicken — and an overabundance of sauerbraten, stollen, other German delicacies and the national brew.

Frankenmuth is just off the I-75 between Flint and Saginaw. Admission to the festival tents range from \$1 to \$4. For further information call 517-652-6105.

Mackinac

The city of Mackinaw and Mackinac Island, the latter perhaps more popular than ever since it served as the setting of the romantic motion picture "Somewhere In Time" a couple of years ago, have a feast of activities planned for the summer.

Kicking off the events on the mainland is the Fort Michilimackinac Pageant Saturday, Sunday and Monday in Mackinaw City.

The 19th annual pageant features a re-enactment of the capture of the fort by Indians in 1763, a muzzle-loaders ham shoot, knife and tomahawk contests, a frying pan throw and, of course, a grand parade with participants dressed as Indians, soldiers and voyagers.

All the festivities are free; further information may be obtained by calling Tom McGinn at 616-436-5566.

The 200 years of Fort Mackinac festival July 17-19 offers its share of pageantry, arts and crafts and the culmination of the Fort Haros to Mackinac yacht race. The Mackinac Bridge Walk, annually led by Gov. Milliken, is set for Sept. 7. For further information on many more Mackinac Island events call 506-947-3783.

Southfield

Summertime in Southfield. The city has a lot to offer, including:

• The Fine Arts Show and Exhibition June 1-14.

• A series of free, outdoor concerts at the Prudential Town Center beginning July 5.

• Lively Arts and Lemonade, family entertainment in the plaza of the Southfield Civic Center.

The fine arts show is a first for the city. The juried show will take place in the pavilion of the Southfield Civic Center complex, 26000 Evergreen Road. Monday through Friday hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Sunday. All art objects will be for sale.

The free concert series runs through Aug. 30 in the Sun Bowl at the Prudential. Bring a lounge chair and your own food and drink. Organizers expect 1,000 to 2,000 music fans for each of the nine performances.

Among the entertainers lined up are the Austin-More Band and Wendell Harrison and Friends. For the complete schedule call 554-4717.

Lively arts for the little ones is the focus for the noon July 12 Minnans program and Living Folk on Aug. 2.

Mime, music and dance blend for a presentation of the "Jack and the Beanstalk" at the Minnans program. Living Folk is an old-fashioned ring-around. Bring a picnic lunch. Southfield provides the lemonade. For further information call 554-4717.

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