

Days a week

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TARTARUS TRADITIONAL JAZZ BAND

8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, featuring Ron Kluck, at First Baptist Church, 300 W. 14th St., Detroit. (313) 844-5550. Free will offerings. (313) 844-5550.

TRANSMISSION

9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, Blind of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. Cover charge, \$21 and older. (313) 734-62310.

SACHAL VASANDANI

8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 688-1833.

PAUL VORHAGEN

With his vocal/ass, piano and bass trio, 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. With his quartet, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 16-17, Blind of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5, 21 and older. 7:30-11:30 p.m. Tuesday in January, Oakland Grill, 32392 Woodward Ave. (south of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150/(734) 682-8310/(248) 549-7700.

DONALD WALDEN TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (ass/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150.

WORLD MUSIC

IMMUNITY

10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 16-17, Union Lake Road and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 360-7450.

FOLK/BLUE GRASS

LISA HUNTER BAND

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Old Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. With all jazz, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$3. All ages. (pop/folk) (248) 642-9400/(734) 994-3940.

JAN KRIST

10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 16-17, Tuscan Grill, 222 Main St., Rochester. Cover charge, 21 and older. 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older. (248) 652-1600/(248) 544-1141.

CHRISTINE LAVIN

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15, all ages. (734) 761-1451.

RAISIN PICKERS

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, 9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451.

NEEL WOODWARD

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COBBLESTONE FARM DANCERS

Open Jan for string band musicians, 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, Pittsford Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Pittsford. Free. All ages. (734) 665-8863/(734) 426-0241.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

"Dances of Earth/Sky" presented by Eastern Michigan University's dance department, and includes performance by the Tree Tone Singers, a Native American drum group who sings in traditional drum lingo style, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 23-24, Quirk Theatre on campus, 23:24. \$5, \$5 students/seniors and children under age 12. (734) 487-1221.

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING

With the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance and the theme of "building a new skill: hearing the music, not the caller," 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. All dances taught. Previous experience and partners not required. (734) 663-0744/(734) 662-5158.

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With the Ann Arbor Rainbow Contra Dancers, folk dancing without gender. All dances taught. Previous experience and partners not required. (734) 663-0744/(734) 662-5158.

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Dinner/dance at 5:30 p.m., buffet dinner of meat balls, rosemary chicken, mostaccioli, mushrooms, pasta alla genovese, risotto, and tiramisu. Coffee, tea, and chef's choice dessert at 8:30 p.m., and dancing to The Water Upland Band, Edie DeSantis and his accordion, and singing by Mike. (734) 663-0744/(734) 662-5158.

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Jan. 20, (313) 534-5924

COMEDY

BIG RED'S COMEDY CLUB

Norm Stiller, Friday-Saturday, Jan. 16-17, at Mr. B's Roadhouse, 595 N. Lapeer Road (M-24), Oxford. (248) 628-0500.

HOLLY HOTEL

Ricky Connor and Bill Kraus, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 15-17; Steve Sabo and Tammy Pescatelli, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 22-24, at the hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. 8:30 p.m. Thursday, and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 8:30 p.m. shows non smoking. (248) 634-0000.

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'Dutch' treated to his own day

Every author imagines having his or her day when their book is finally published.

But after 34 novels and accolades as "the greatest living writer of crime fiction," Elmore "Dutch" Leonard should get his sights higher.

At least that's an opinion shared by many readers along with his home state and home town.

By proclamation of Gov. John Engler, the state of Michigan will observe "Elmore Leonard Day" on Friday, Jan. 16.

The awards ceremony will be held in conjunction with a book signing at Borders in downtown Birmingham, 34300 Woodward Avenue, (248) 203-0005.

Starting at 7 p.m., the festivities include:

■ A representative from the governor's office reads the formal proclamation of "Elmore Leonard Day."

■ Birmingham Mayor Archie Duncan will present Leonard with the key to the city.

■ Leonard will sign copies of his latest novel, "Cuba Libre (Delicatessen)." Leonard is riding a wave of popular and critical appeal. Two of his recent books, "Get Shorty" and "Rum Punch," have been made into movies ("Get Shorty" and "Jackie Brown").

His first novel, "The Bounty Hunters," was published in 1953. At the time, Leonard was a copy writer at Campbell-Ewald advertising agency.

In the mid 1960s, he sold his first novel to Hollywood, "Hombre." Later that decade, he switched from Western to crime fiction. With the release of "Fifty-Two Pickup," "City Primeval" and "Stick," he literally set out to create a new genre.

Leonard's mid 1980s breakout seller, "Glitz," pushed him onto the best-selling authors echelon.

Leonard begins his nine-city book-signing tour of his latest novel in his hometown.



Elmore Leonard signing books.

Drama: Robert De Niro and Samuel L. Jackson star in Quentin Tarantino's "Jackie Brown," based on the novel "Rum Punch" by Elmore Leonard.

5800

POPULAR MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS AND BLUE SUIT

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 23-24, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (248) 644-4800.

BACKSTREET BOYS

With Los Umbrelleros, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, Fox Theatre, 2