



Grand Haven
AREA
CONVENTION &
VISITORS BUREAU

December 2024 | Event Newsletter

Lights At Night

Sunday, December 1 - Saturday, December 14 | 6-10pm | [Facebook](#)
Pigeon Creek Park, 12524 Stanton St., West Olive

This self-guided experience allows you to stroll at your own pace along an illuminated trail through the forest. On weekends, the lodge will be open for concessions. *Children's Night, December 6, 5:30-7:30pm, features stories around the campfire, crafting a pinecone bird feeder, exploring the "Wow Trail", and lodge concessions.

Christmas Family Fun!

Monday, December 2 | 4-8pm | [Facebook](#)
Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville

Decorate cookies and enjoy snacks while crafting and admiring over 50 beautiful Christmas trees decorated by community members, groups, and businesses! Please RSVP at 616.997.8555 or email events@coopersvillefarmmuseum.org.

44th Annual Coopersville Christmas Parade of Lights & Open House

Friday, December 6 | 4-8:00 pm | [Website](#)
Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville

Enjoy hot cocoa and fun children's activities, see the beautiful Christmas tree displays, and visit Santa at the Coopersville Farm Museum Open House from 4-6pm. From 6-6:30pm enjoy a street dance performance followed by the lighting of the community tree at Pocket Park. Wrap up the evening with the festive parade beginning at 6:30pm.

Coopersville and Marne Railway's Annual Santa Train

December 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 | 11 am, 1:30pm & 4pm | [Website](#)
December 22 | 11am, 1:30pm & 5pm (Special Caroling Train)

All aboard the Santa Train! This vintage train has a special seat reserved just for Santa and his elves! All the kids will get to meet Santa and receive a special gift from him.

Miracle on 34th Street the Musical

December 6, 7, 13 & 14 | 7:30 PM | [Website](#)
December 14 | 1:30 PM

Central Park Place, 421 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven

A holiday classic from the writer of the musical theatre classic, The Music Man, and based on the movie of the same name.

51st Annual Christmas Arts & Craft Show

Saturday, December 7 | 9am-3pm | [Facebook](#)

Central Park Place, 421 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven

40+ booths of handcrafted items and food will be available.

There will be a \$1.00 donation admission fee at the door.

Holiday Shopping on the Artist Trail

Saturday, December 7 | 10am - 4pm | [Facebook](#)
Washington Avenue & Surrounding Streets, Grand Haven

50 independent artists will be set up in stores, studios, and businesses throughout Grand Haven showcasing and selling their unique artisan creations. More details and maps are available on the event's Facebook page.

Holly Jolly Family Day

Saturday, December 7 | 3-7pm | [Website](#)
Tri-Cities Historical Museum, 200 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

Stop by for some holiday crafts, games, and face painting while you wait for the Jingle Bell Parade to begin!

Jingle Bell Parade by the Chamber

Saturday, December 7 | 6-8pm | [Website](#)
Downtown Grand Haven

Get into the festive spirit with over 80 entries of sparkling, holiday-themed floats, joyful music, and special appearances by Santa and Mrs. Claus! After the parade, gather with Santa, Mrs. Claus, and friends at Central Park for a Christmas carol sing-along. The Salvation Army will provide hot chocolate, and local businesses will spread cheer by handing out candy to the crowd.

Santa in Centertown

Saturday, December 14 | 11am-1pm | [Facebook](#)
Momentum Center, 401 N. 7th, Grand Haven

Meet Santa & Mrs. Claus and Santa's reindeer at the Momentum Center. Play the Centertown Elf in the Window Contest - game cards are available at participating Centertown Stores.

The Annual Odd Side Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

Saturday, December 14 | 7pm | [Facebook](#)
Odd Side Ales, 41 Washington St., Grand Haven

Don your ugliest Christmas sweater for a night of festive fun, live music featuring Yours Truly and the Funk, selfies with Santa and Friends, and holiday cheer.

Crafty Friends & Family Christmas Party

Monday, December 23 | 6pm | [Facebook](#)
Coopersville Farm Museum, 375 Main St., Coopersville

Pot Luck - Bring a dish to pass. Gift Exchange - the gift MUST be handmade, recycled, used, recreated, or consumable. BYOB (there will be punch, but you may bring whatever you want to drink). Crafty Outfit Contest - Make something fun to wear! You might even win a prize! RSVP to Kristina at events@coopersvillefarmmuseum.org or 616.997.8555.

Visitors Center Location | 512 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven, MI

VisitGrandHaven.com | 616.842.4499 | (Nov-Feb) Monday - Friday 10am-4pm | Closed Weekends & Holidays

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Note: Event dates and times are subject to change. Please call to confirm or to obtain event details.

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LIVE MUSIC

Grand Armory Brewing Company

126 Franklin Ave., Grand Haven

Dec 3 @ 6:30pm | Vinyl Night
Dec 5 @ 6:30pm | Panda Pete Schumann
Dec 6 @ 6:30pm | Murphy's Law Band
Dec 7 @ 6:30pm | Round Creek String Band
Dec 10 @ 6:30pm | Vinyl Night
Dec 12 @ 6:30pm | Jack Leaver
Dec 13 @ 6:30pm | Gina & Jordan
Dec 17 @ 6:30pm | Vinyl Night
Dec 19 @ 6:30pm | Gabriel James
Dec 20 @ 6:30pm | Plain Jane Glory
Dec 21 @ 6:30pm | Liquid Radio
Dec 26 @ 6:30pm | Roger Gonda
Dec 27 @ 6:30pm | Jesse Ray
Dec 28 @ 6:30pm | Yours Truly and the Funk

Coopersville Farm Museum

375 Main St., Coopersville

Dec 5 @ 6-8:30pm | Acoustic Jam Nights
Dec 19 @ 6-8:30pm | Acoustic Jam Nights

Coopersville Brewing Company

1275 W Randall St., Coopersville

Dec 21 @ 6pm | Two Dudes in Flip Flops
Ugly Sweater Christmas Party

Lucy's

133 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven

Dec 7 @ 6pm | Devin Weber
Dec 13 @ 7pm | Soul Zynners
Dec 14 @ 6pm | Third Coast Swing
Dec 20 @ 7pm | Geo Trio
Dec 21 @ 6p, | Brian Fedewa
Dec 27 @ 7pm | Carl Webb
Dec 28 @ 6pm | Nathan Walton

New Holland Tasting Room

24 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

Dec 13 @ 7pm | Keith Scott
Dec 27 @ 7pm | Jess & Jesse
Dec 31 @ 7pm | NYE Party w/Serita's Black Rose Band

The Kirby House

2 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

Dec 6 @ 7pm | DJ JC X-treme
Dec 7 @ 7pm | The House Cats
Dec 13 @ 7pm | Nate Holley
Dec 14 @ 7pm | Jake Stevens
Dec 20 @ 7pm | DJ JC X-treme
Dec 21 @ 7pm | SilentBark
Dec 31 @ 7pm | Electric Flower Co.

GAME NIGHTS

New Holland Tasting Room

24 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

Dec 4 @ 6pm | Trivia
Dec 11 @ 6pm | Trivia
Dec 18 @ 6pm | Trivia
Dec 25 @ 6pm | Trivia

Coopersville Brewing Company

Dec 4 @ 7pm | Trivia with Big Mike
Dec 5 @ 7pm | Music Bingo/Holiday Edition
Dec 18 @ 7pm | Trivia with Big Mike

Grand Armory Brewing Company

Dec 1 @ 2pm | Euchre
Dec 2 @ 7pm | 80's Music Trivia
Dec 8 @ 2pm | Euchre
Dec 9 @ 7pm | Trivia
Dec 15 @ 2pm | Euchre
Dec 16 @ 7pm | Movie Trivia
Dec 22 @ 2pm | Euchre
Dec 29 @ 2pm | Euchre

Ottawa County Parks Programs & Events

Nature Education Center | 8115 West Olive Rd., West Olive | 616.786.4847 | Unless otherwise noted, registration is required and most programs are recommended for ages 12+. For more information and to download the events newsletter visit miottawa.org/parks

Coffee with the Birds

Saturday, December 7 | 9:30am-12pm | Hemlock Crossing Park

Registration is appreciated, but not required.

Bring your bird questions, curiosities, and stories, and don't forget your favorite mug!

Schedule:

9:30-10:20am - Feeder Watching Session 1

10:30-11am - Birding Tidbits Presentation (Bite-sized presentations on anything bird-related. From local birding information and bird identification to natural history and stories of birding adventures, these short programs will be entertaining and informative.)

11:10-12pm - Feeder Watching Session 2

Nature Journaling

Saturday, December 14 | 10-11:30am | Hemlock Crossing Park

Registration is required.

Learn new drawing and writing techniques specific to the theme and enjoy community connection. The Nature Journal Club complements an Introduction to Nature Journaling, however, taking the class prior is not required. *Journals are not provided.

Night Hikes

Friday, December 13 | 7-9pm | Pigeon Creek Park - South

Registration is required.

Experience your favorite parks in a whole new way and see what nocturnal creatures lurk there as you explore by moonlight!

Wine, Beer, & Hard Cider Tastings

12 Corners Winery

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven
12corners.com | 616.414.7070

Burzuk Brewing Company

1442 Washington Ave., Grand Haven
burzukbrewing.com | 616.414.7775

Coopersville Brewing Company

1275 Randall St., Coopersville
coopersvillebrewing.com | 616.384.3364

Farmhaus Cider Company

5025 Stanton St., Hudsonville
farmhauscider.com | 616.920.1867

Grand Armory Brewing

17 S. 2nd St., Grand Haven
grandarmorybrewing.com | 616.414.7822

New Holland

24 Washington Ave., Grand Haven
newhollandbrew.com | 616-294-3428

Odd Side Ales

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven
oddsideales.com | 616.935.7326

Off the Chain Brewstillery

1434 Colfax Ave., Grand Haven
offthechainbrewstillery.com | 616-604-2640

Trail Point Brewing Company

6035 Lake Michigan Dr., Allendale
trailpointbrewing.com | 616.895.2739

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