



## December 2023 | Event Newsletter

### Spring Lake Sparkle & Santa's House

Nightly During the Month of December

110 W. Savidge Rd., Spring Lake | [Facebook](#) | 786.493.6652

Multicolored lights and displays will illuminate the trees and businesses in Spring Lake's downtown corridor. There will be a meet and greet with Santa, food, drink, and plenty of photo opportunities. The lights will shine every night through New Year's Day. Be sure to visit Santa's House on Fridays and Saturdays through the month of December from 4-8pm in the Epicurean Village Courtyard.

### 43rd Annual Coopersville Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting

Friday, December 1 | 6-8:30pm

Main Street, Downtown Coopersville | [Website](#)

Beginning at 6pm, the lighting of the Christmas tree at Pocket Park will kick off the evening. Followed by a West Michigan Elite dance performance on Main Street. After the show, the parade will start at 6:30pm on Main Street, west of Eastmanville, then head east down Main Street and end on the Coopersville School Campus. Stop at the Coopersville Community Service Building between 6:30-8:30pm for pictures with Santa, hot cocoa, and a community band performance.

### 50th Annual Christmas Arts & Craft Show

Saturday, December 2 | 9am-3pm

Central Park Place, 421 Columbus St., Grand Haven

For a \$1 donation at the door, you can spend the day checking items off your Christmas list when you peruse the 42 booths of beautiful handmade creations by local artists and crafters.

### Artist Trail Holiday Shopping

Saturday, December 2 | 10am-4pm

Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Shop along the Artist Trail and find one-of-a-kind holiday gift ideas! From Harbor Drive to Beechtree Street, independent artists will be popping up in stores, studios, and businesses throughout Grand Haven!

### Coopersville Santa Train

Saturdays & Sundays, December 2-23 | Various Times

311 Danforth St., Coopersville | [Website](#)

The 90-minute Santa Train is the most popular theme train of the year. Early ticket purchase is recommended for family group seat selection. Santa makes extra stops to ride the train for each departure, and the Story Princess will read to children in each coach while Santa visits the other coaches. Elves will escort each child to see Santa individually so parents can take pictures.

### Grand Haven's Annual Jingle Bell Parade

Saturday, December 2 | 6-8pm

Washington Ave., Grand Haven | [Website](#) | 616.842.4910

Enjoy seeing all of the lighted floats and festive costumes, while listening to the holiday music and be filled with good cheer! The parade begins on Franklin Street, heads west to Harbor Drive, north on Harbor to Washington, and east on Washington to Central Park for the lighting of the Christmas Tree. Hosted by the Grand Haven Area Chamber of Commerce.

### Santa In Centertown

Saturday, December 9 | 11am-1pm

401 N. 7th St., Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Meet Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Santa's reindeer at the Momentum Center. Play the Centertown Elf in Window contest. Game cards are located at participating Centertown stores.

### Happy Elves Craft Show

Saturday, December 9 | 9am-3pm

White Pines Middle School, 1400 S. Griffin St., Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Come out to the annual holiday craft show and find many unique and handcrafted items for those on your holiday shopping list. There will be several vendors displaying their creations.

### Santa Saturdays at Lucy's

Saturday, December 9, 16 & 23 | 12-2pm

133 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven | 616.850.2665

Lucy's is ready for Christmas and has decked the halls from top to bottom with winter wonderland decorations and Santa is coming! take photos and tell him what's on your Christmas wish list.

### Santa Visits the City Farmer

Saturday, December 16 | 11am-1pm

1437 Washington Ave., Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Bring your kids and adults too! Don't forget your phone to take pictures. Santa will be giving all children a special treat.

### New Year's Eve Community Ball Drop, Live Band & Fireworks

Sunday, December 31 | 8-12:30 pm

Downtown Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Starting at 8pm a DJ will provide fun and festive music until 9pm when the local band, Dank Hill, takes the stage. Dance and sing with the entertaining and talented band as they perform hits from the '90s and 2000s until the lighted ball drops at midnight coinciding with an impressive fireworks display. The designated social district and heated sidewalks will help keep things feeling a bit more warm and cozy, but dress for the weather. All ages are welcome.

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

[VisitGrandHaven.com](http://VisitGrandHaven.com) | 616.842.4499

Monday - Friday 10am-4pm | Closed Weekends & Holidays

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# Ongoing Area Activities

## TRIVIA

**Cafe Tamaki**  
12 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[Facebook Page](#) | 517.260.1915  
Trivia Night | Thursdays 7-9pm

**Coopersville Brewing Company**  
1275 Randall St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillebrewing.com](#) | 616.384.3364  
Trivia Night with Big Mike | Wednesdays 7-9pm

**Grand Armory Brewing**  
17 S. 2nd St., Grand Haven  
[Facebook Page](#) | 616.414.7822  
Trivia Cat | Mondays 7-9pm

**Odd Side Ales**  
41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[oddsideales.com](#) | 616.935.7326  
Trivia Night | Mondays & Tuesdays at 7pm

## MUSIC

**Coopersville Brewing Company**  
1275 Randall St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillebrewing.com](#) | 616.384.3364  
Fridays & Saturdays 6-9pm

**Coopersville Farm Museum**  
375 Main St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillefarmmuseum.com](#) | 616.997.8555  
Acoustic Jam Night | 1st and 3rd Tuesday 6-8:30pm

**Grand Armory Brewing**  
17 S. 2nd St., Grand Haven  
[Facebook Page](#) | 616.414.7822  
Vinyl Night | Tuesdays 6:30-9:30pm  
Live Music | Thursday-Saturday 6:30-9:30pm

**Lucy's Backyard**  
133 Columbus Ave., Grand Haven  
[Facebook Page](#) | 616.850.2665  
Jazz Sundays | 5-9pm

**Sandy Point Beach House Jazz Thursdays**  
7175 Lakeshore Dr., West Olive  
[Facebook Page](#) | 616.796.8210  
Live Jazz | Every Thursday 6-9pm

## MUSEUMS

**Coopersville Farm Museum**  
375 Main St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillefarmmuseum.com](#) | 616.997.8555  
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 10am-2pm

**Coopersville Historical Museum**  
363 Main St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillefarmmuseum.com](#) | 616.997.7240  
Tuesdays 2pm-5:30pm  
Wednesdays 10am-2pm  
Fridays 1-4pm  
Saturdays 10am-4pm

**Tri-Cities Historical Museum**  
200 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[tri-citiesmuseum.org](#) | 616.842.0700  
Tuesday - Friday 10am-5pm  
Saturday & Sunday 12-5pm

**Midwest Miniatures Museum**  
20 S. 5th St., Grand Haven  
[midwestminiaturesmuseum.com](#) | 616.414.5809  
Tuesday - Saturday 11am-5pm

# Ottawa County Parks Programs & Events

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

**Dec 2 | 10-11:30am | Nature Journaling: Nature Comics | Hemlock Crossing Nature Center | \$5 class fee**

Calling all nature lovers! Gather each month to learn new drawing and writing techniques specific to the current theme while enjoying community connection with fellow journalers. The Nature Journal Club compliments an Introduction to Nature Journaling, however taking the class prior is not required. \*Journals are not provided.

**Dec 3 | 3-4pm | Fireside Yoga | Hemlock Crossing Nature Center | \$10 class fee**

Come practice yoga fireside at the Nature Center! All levels of experience are welcome. \*Yoga mats not provided. Ages 18+.

**Dec 8 | 5-7pm | Luminary Event | Hemlock Crossing Nature Center | FREE**

Hemlock Crossing's Nature Center will be transformed into a beautiful winter wonderland. You and your family can enjoy this magical evening of hot cider, cookies, and candy canes will be waiting.

**Dec 9 | 9:30am-12pm | Coffee with the Birds | Hemlock Crossing Nature Center | FREE**

Enjoy a hot cup of coffee and some baked goodies as you watch the birds at the feeders and discuss various birding topics with a naturalist. Bring your bird questions, curiosities, stories, and your mug!

**Dec 27 | 9:30-10:30am | Tuned into Nature | Hemlock Crossing Nature Center | \$5 class fee**

Kids ages 2-4 will spend time making and moving to music based on a nature theme and go outside for a walk to explore the theme in the outdoors. \*Children must be accompanied by an adult.

# Wine, Beer, & Hard Cider Tastings

## 12 Corners Winery

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[12corners.com](#) | 616.414.7070  
Monday - Thursday | Noon-6pm  
Friday & Saturday | Noon-7pm  
Sunday | Noon-5pm

## Burzuk Brewing Company

1442 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[burzukbrewing.com](#) | 616.414.7775  
Monday - Thursday | 3-10pm  
Friday & Saturday | 2pm-11pm  
Sunday | 2-10pm

## Coopersville Brewing Company

1275 Randall St., Coopersville  
[coopersvillebrewing.com](#) | 616.384.3364  
Tuesday-Thursday | 11am-10pm  
Friday & Saturday | 11am-11pm  
Sunday | 11am-8pm

## Farmhaus Cider Company

5025 Stanton St., Hudsonville  
[farmhauscider.com](#) | 616.920.1867  
Thursday & Friday | 4-10pm  
Saturday | 1-10pm  
Sunday | 1-8pm

## Fox and Hen Vineyards

13373 104th Ave., Grand Haven  
[foxandhenwinery.com](#) | 616.291.7067  
Friday & Saturday | 11am-8pm  
Sunday | Closed

## Grand Armory Brewing

17 S. 2nd St., Grand Haven  
[grandarmorybrewing.com](#) | 616.414.7822  
Monday - Friday | 3-10pm  
Saturday | 12-10pm  
Sunday | 12-8pm

## Odd Side Ales

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven  
[oddsideales.com](#) | 616.935.7326  
Monday-Thursday | 11:30am-10pm  
Friday & Saturday | 11:30am-12am  
Sunday | 11:30am-8pm

## Trail Point Brewing Company

6035 Lake Michigan Dr., Allendale  
[trailpointbrewing.com](#) | 616.895.2739  
Monday - Thursday | 4-10pm  
Friday & Saturday | 1-11pm  
Sunday | 1-8pm

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