



Grand Haven  
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## May 2026 | Events Newsletter

### First Friday Art Reception

Friday, May 1 | 5:30-7:30pm | [Facebook](#)

Gallery Uptown, 201 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

On the first Friday of each month, gallery members and guests present new works in a themed show.

### Grand Haven Farmer's Market

Saturdays, May 2 - October 31 | 8am-1pm

Chinook Pier, 301 N. Harbor Dr., Grand Haven | [Facebook](#)

Shop fresh and local at the Grand Haven Farmers Market! Find Michigan-grown produce, flowers, baked goods, and more—straight from the growers and makers. Starting June 3, the market will also be open on Wednesdays.

### Musical Fountain Testing Nights

Friday & Saturday, May 8 & 9 | 9:30-11pm | [Website](#)

Friday & Saturday, May 15 & 16 | 9:30-11pm

Lynne Sherwood Stadium, 1 N. Harbor Dr., Grand Haven

Catch a sneak peek of new music for the 2026 season during a testing night. Listen live from the stadium or nearby parking areas by tuning in to FM 88.7.

### Tote Club Days

Saturday, May 9 | 10am-8pm | [Facebook](#)

Downtown & Centertown Grand Haven

Bring any official Main Street tote bag from past Light Night Open Houses and enjoy exclusive perks at participating Downtown and Centertown businesses.

### Mother's Day Luncheon

Saturday, May 9 | 12-2pm

Coopersville Farm Museum & Event Center,

375 Main St., Coopersville | [Website](#)

All ages are welcome. \$15 adults/\$10 kids 12 and under. Includes light lunch, sweet treats, crafts, and a special gift. Registration required.

### The Kite Festival at Grand Haven

Saturday, May 16 | 10am-5pm | [Facebook](#)

Sunday, May 17 | 11am-5pm

Grand Haven State Park, 1001 Harbor Ave., Grand Haven

Watch professional kite fliers perform synchronized routines, stroll the beach lined with giant show kites, and even bring your own to join in the fun.

### 1st Annual Club Crawl Poker Run

Saturday, May 16 | 2-7pm | [Website](#)

Eagles #925, 20 N. 2nd St., Grand Haven

Poker Run between 4 local social clubs: the American Legion, VFW Post, Elks Lodge, and the Eagles. Start at any of the four locations and end at 6:30pm at the Eagles for the raffle. Harbor Transit is offering free rides between the clubs for this event.

### Armed Services Marathon

Sunday, May 17 | 7am-2pm | [Website](#)

Grand Haven High School, 17001 Ferris St., Grand Haven

The Armed Services Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K offers scenic courses consisting of 97% paths with only 3% on quiet roads with little traffic, making for an enjoyable run. Qualifying Courses for Boston Marathon, New York City Marathon & Abbott Marathon Majors Series.

### Musical Fountain 2026 Opening Night

Friday, May 22 | 10-10:30pm | [Website](#)

Lynne Sherwood Stadium, 1 N. Harbor Dr., Grand Haven

Featuring all-new music, offering a preview of what's been in the works during the off-season. Entertaining audiences since 1962, this free 25-30 minute show of water, lights, and music runs nightly at dark from Memorial Day through Labor Day, plus select nights in May and September.

### Annual Grand Haven VFW Ribfest

Friday, May 22 | 4pm - 12am | [Facebook](#)

Saturday, May 23 | 11am-12am

VFW Post 2326, 20 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St., Grand Haven

Eleven area food trucks will sell ribs and various side dishes, competing for 1st-, 2nd-, and 3rd-place awards in Best Ribs and Best Sides. The event includes an open-to-the-public beer tent with live music.

### Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony

Monday, May 25 | 9:30am-1:30pm | [Facebook](#)

Downtown, 6th St. & Washington Ave., Grand Haven

The 2026 Grand Haven Memorial Day Parade will take place on Monday, May 25th, starting at 6th St/Washington Ave and proceeding down S. Harbor Drive to Escanaba Park. The event features a ceremony to honor veterans and fallen heroes, concluding with a wreath-laying.

Visitors Center | 512 Washington Ave., Grand Haven, MI

[VisitGrandHaven.com](http://VisitGrandHaven.com) | 616.842.4499 | Monday - Friday 9am-5pm | Closed Weekends & Holidays

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**The Kirby House**

2 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

5/1 | Jake Stevens | 9pm-12:30am

5/2 | Innuendo | 9pm-12:30am

5/9 | Pleasure Towne | 9pm-12:30am

5/15 | Sam Starkie | 9pm-12:30am

5/16 | JP & The Energy | 9pm-12:30am

5/23 | Silent Bark | 9pm-12:30am

5/29 | Devin Weber | 9pm-12:30am

5/30 | Pretty Rage | 9pm-12:30am

**New Holland Tasting Room**

24 S Washington Ave.,

Grand Haven

5/1 | DJ Joel | 7-10pm

5/8 | Keith Scott | 7-10pm

5/15 | Mike Struwin | 7-10pm

5/22 | Nate Dill | 7-10pm

5/29 | Kimberly Kay | 7-10pm

**Sandy Point Beach House**

7175 Lake Shore Dr., West Olive

5/2 | Coconut Riot | 6-9pm

5/3 | Kyle Brown | 5-8pm

5/7 | Michael Drost Trio | 6-9pm

5/9 | Rory McCallan | 6-9pm

5/14 | Lew Russ | 6-9pm

5/16 | Jeff Armstrong | 6-9pm

5/17 | Pete Schumann | 5-8pm

5/21 | BPM Jazz | 6-9pm

5/23 | Mark Pawlak | 6-9pm

5/24 | Randy Johnson | 5-8pm

5/28 | Wally & Guest | 6-9pm

5/30 | Mason Grady | 6-9pm

5/31 | Dave Burel | 5-8pm

**Off the Chain Brewstillery**

1434 Colfax Ave., Grand Haven

5/1 | Brian McCosky | 6-9pm

5/2 | Justin Wierenga | 6-9pm

5/7 | Gibson Knights | 6-9pm

5/8 | Kyle Brown | 6-9pm

5/9 | Nate Dill | 6-9pm

5/15 | Tony Jarvis | 6-9pm

5/16 | Kyle Brown | 6-9pm

5/21 | John Voelz | 7-10pm

5/22 | Julie T | 7-10pm

5/23 | Randy Heidema | 7-10pm

5/29 | Nate Dill | 7-10pm

5/30 | Gina & Jordan | 7-10pm

**Grand Armory Brewing Company**

17 S. Second St., Grand Haven

5/1 | Kevin Kozel & Scotty Pellegrom

5/2 | Big Nick and The Rhythm Kings

5/7 | Drew Alkema

5/8 | Ain't No Disco

5/9 | Carl Webb Band

5/14 | Nate Dill

5/15 | Mark Lavengood and Friends

5/16 | Gina & Jordan

5/21 | Gabriel James

5/22 | Dutton Hollow

5/23 | Liquid Radio

5/28 | Tony Jarvis

5/29 | Platypu5

5/30 | Sweet Lou & the Savages

## 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](http://miottawa.org/parks)

**Twilight Hike**

Friday, May 1 | 8-9:30pm | Crockery Creek Natural Area

In spring, as light of day turns to dark of night, wildlife springs to life! Come experience your favorite parks at twilight.

**Mushrooms**

Saturday, May 2 | 2-3:30pm | Hemlock Crossing Park

Learn what morel mushrooms are in Michigan, why they are important, how to use them, and how to forage ethically.

**Sunday Strolls**

Sundays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31 | 2-3:30pm

Hemlock Crossing Park

Develop a richer appreciation for the park and its resources with a guided themed walk. Themes vary each week.

**Nature Saturday - Aquatic Invertebrates**

Saturday, May 9 | 10am-12pm | Hemlock Crossing

Learn something new and meet fellow nature lovers.

**National Astronomy Day**

Saturday, May 9 | 12pm-12am | Hemlock Crossing

12-5pm | Solar Observing & Planet Walk

7-8pm | Perspectives of Scale Lecture

8:15pm-12am | Public Observing & Constellation ID

**Bird Banding Open House**

Saturday, May 16 | 7am-12pm | Ottawa Sands

Join parks staff as they catch, band, and release birds migrating through the Lake Michigan Coastal Corridor for the purpose of conservation science.

**Greenway Birding Blitz**

Saturday, May 23 | 7-9am | Ottawa Sands

Saturday, May 23 | 10-11:30am | Connor Bayou

Saturday, May 23 | 12:30-2:30pm | Eastmanville Farm

Celebrate migration by birding along the Grand River Greenway.

Join us at one or more locations throughout the day.

## Wine, Beer, & Hard Cider Tastings

**12 Corners Winery**

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

[12corners.com](http://12corners.com) | 616.414.7070

**Burzuk Brewing Company**

1442 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

[burzukbrewing.com](http://burzukbrewing.com) | 616.414.7775

**Coopersville Brewing Company**

1275 Randall St., Coopersville

[coopersvillebrewing.com](http://coopersvillebrewing.com) | 616.384.3364

**Fox & Hen Winery**

5025 Stanton St., Hudsonville

[farmhauscider.com](http://farmhauscider.com) | 616.920.1867

**Grand Armory Brewing**

17 S. 2nd St., Grand Haven

[grandarmorybrewing.com](http://grandarmorybrewing.com) | 616.414.7822

**New Holland Tasting Room**

24 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

[newhollandbrew.com](http://newhollandbrew.com) | 616.294.3428

**Odd Side Ales**

41 Washington Ave., Grand Haven

[oddsideales.com](http://oddsideales.com) | 616.935.7326

**Off the Chain Brewstillery**

1434 Colfax Ave., Grand Haven

[offthechainbrewstillery.com](http://offthechainbrewstillery.com) | 616.604.2640

**Trail Point Brewing Company**

6035 Lake Michigan Dr., Allendale

[trailpointbrewing.com](http://trailpointbrewing.com) | 616.895.2739

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