

Community Events Calendar*

RECURRING:

MIDLAND AREA FARMERS MARKET: Wednesdays & Saturdays

- MAY 4 – OCTOBER 26
 - 7:00am – 1:00pm
- FIRST THREE SATURDAYS IN NOVEMBER
 - 9:00am – 12:00pm
- Location: Dow Diamond
- There are **No Animals** Allowed at the Farmers Market. The MAFM is not a safe space for pets of any kind due to the crowds and food safety concerns, please leave your pets at home. Trained Service Dogs are welcome. Sorry, Emotional Support Animals (ESAs) and Therapy Dogs are not ADA Service Animals

Nature Connections: Select Thursdays

- 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd, Midland
- Embrace the opportunity to know the forest in a new way by focusing on an individual species of tree or shrub each month. Through exploration and guided experiences, participants will come to know a section of CNC's land throughout the seasons to make a meaningful, personal connection with nature.
- Quiet reflection, photography, journaling, exploration, history, and folklore will engage the mind and heart during this casual walk which includes group and solo time. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
- Fees/Admission: Free – Age 18+
- **2024 Nature Connections Schedule:**
 - **July 11, 6-8 pm – Elderberry**
 - **August 1, 6-8 pm – Sassafras**
 - **Sept 12, 6-8 pm - American Chestnut**
 - **Oct 24, 5-7 pm - Witch Hazel**
 - **Nov 14, 4-6 pm - American Beech**
 - **Dec 12, 4-6 pm – Oak**

TEEN POOLSIDE PALOOZA: JULY 12th & 26th

- 8:00pm – 9:30pm
- Location: Plymouth Pool, 1508 E. Wheeler Rd, Midland
- A fun and safe experience for teens 11 to 14 year of age.
- **Pre-registration is required for this event.** Food and snacks will be available for purchase.
- Contact Information: recreation@midland-mi.org or Phone: 989-837-6930
- Fees/Admission: \$5 Entry Fee

TUNES BY THE TRIDGE: Thursdays

- 7:00pm – 9:00pm
- Tunes by the Tridge offers a family-friendly experience set against the backdrop of Midland’s iconic Tridge.
- Held on Thursday evenings for 9 nights in June, July, and August, families are encouraged to bring quilts and lawn chairs to enjoy live band performances.
- Contact Information: recreation@midland-mi.org or Phone: 989-837-6930
- Fees/Admission: Free
 - July 11th – Triple Play (Classic Rock)
 - July 18th – Bryan Rombalksi (Instrumental World Music)
 - July 25th – The Resonators (Percussion)
 - August 1st – Women of Country (Country)
 - August 8th – Ryan Curtis Band (Americana)

COMMONS LIVE MUSIC SERIES: Fridays & Saturdays – Pedestrian Plaza

- July 5th & 6th Viva Rex / Neon Crows
- July 12th & 13th Empty Pockets / The RockShow Ultimate Journey Tribute
- July 19th & 20th JP & the Energy / Miranda & the M80s
- July 26th & 27th Roots Vibrations / Todd Michael & the Ghost Town Marshalls
- August 3rd Jim Pagel Jazz Trio
- August 9th & 10th Trixy Tang / Nameless
- August 16th & 17th Hatchwing Rider / Air Margaritaville

MOVIES ON MAIN: Thursdays @ Ace Hardware

- July 11th – LEGO Batman
- July 18th – Barbie
- July 25th – TMNT: Mutant Mayhem
- August 1st – Oz the Great and Powerful
- August 8th – Dirty Dancing

July 2nd, 2024 – Tuesday

- **Lower Chippewa River Kayak Trip**
 - 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Join a CNC naturalist for a relaxing 3-mile paddle from CNC's launch on the Homestead Road down the Chippewa River to the Tridge in Downtown Midland.
 - CNC will provide a kayak, paddle and life jacket for each participant. Meet at the Visitor Center.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: \$35 per person. **Registration Required.**

July 3rd, 2024 – Wednesday

- **Adult Recess**
 - 11:30am – 1:00pm
 - Location: Main Street between Ashman and McDonald Streets
 - GROWN-UPS: IT'S TIME TO UNLEASH YOUR INNER CHILD!
 - Adult Recess is a free lunchtime activity for residents to unwind, re-energize, and express themselves through play.
 - Participants can challenge a friend to a game of giant Jenga, giant Candy Land, or giant Connect Four; play a lively round of cornhole; hula hoop; blow bubbles; and more!

July 4th, 2024 – Thursday

- **Fourth of July Celebration**
 - 8:00pm
 - Location: Dow Diamond Lawn
 - Join us as we celebrate the 4th of July with fireworks, food and fun! This year's celebration includes music from Leave Those Kids Alone, talented teenagers performing note-for-note renditions of classic rock favorites. Music will be on the front lawn of Dow Diamond at 8:00 p.m. followed by the crown jewel of the evening, the annual fireworks display at dusk.
 - At dusk (roughly 10 pm) guests will be treated to an outstanding Fourth of July fireworks display. They will be visible from the outside grounds of Dow Diamond, Founders Park, Whiting Overlook Park, and other downtown locations. Please be aware that buildings and other permanent structures may obstruct views of the fireworks show. To find the best seat, please ensure you have an open area in front of you. In addition to the fireworks, vendors will be on hand with your favorite food and beverages to keep your family full. Bring your friends, family, lawn chairs and blankets to the event of the summer!
 - Fees/Admission: Free

June 9th, 2024 – Tuesday

- **Outdoor Pound Fitness Class**
 - 6:30pm – 7:30pm
 - Location: Main & McDonald
 - No experience necessary, any age and any stage of fitness welcome! POUND is for everybody
 - Things to know:
 - Bring a yoga mat and H2O and wear athletic shoes and comfy clothes
 - Ripstix (green drumsticks!) will be provided
 - Class is held outside & if weather permits
 - All ages and stages of fitness welcome
 - Contact Information: <https://AlliedGroupFitness.as.me/pounddowntown>
 - Fees/Admission: Free

- **Turtle Tagging Golf Cart Tour**
 - 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - You're invited to join the Turtle Team as they check traps. If species of interest are found, you will have a front row seat for watching how we tag and collect information about them.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free. **Registration Required**

July 10th, 2024 – Wednesday

- **Adult Recess**
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July 11th, 2024 – Thursday

- **MYPros Regional YPN Night at the Great Lakes Loons**
 - Gates Open: 6:05pm
 - Location: Great Lakes Loons – 825 E. Main St, Midland
 - The July 11th game kicks off the Loons becoming the Great Lakes Pontooners for three games. Dow Diamond transforms into "Up North" at the lake with sunset-inspired jerseys and a host of lake-themed activities.
 - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
 - Fees/Admission: \$30 for YPN Members. Registration Required
 - Ticket Includes: Game ticket to suite, Taco bar, Networking, 50% off draft beer all night.
 - First 500 fans will receive a free Pontooners Koozie

July 12th, 2024 – Friday

- **Wee Stroll**
 - 9:30am – 10:30am
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - This program is designed for parents to take a guided walk with their child, learn about the outdoors and learn ways to introduce children to the natural world around them.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free

July 13th, 2024 – Saturday

- **Butterfly Count**
 - 9:00am – 4:00pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Come be a part of the 36th Annual Butterfly Count! New and experienced butterfly enthusiasts are invited to report as many butterflies as we can find.
 - Long pants and long sleeves are recommended. Pre-registration is required for this stewardship program. Meet at the Visitor Center.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free

July 16th, 2024 – Tuesday

- **Lunch with a Box Turtle**
 - 11:00am – 12:00pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Pack your lunch and head to the Lanigan Pavilion at the end of the Homestead Road to munch alongside CNC's Eastern Box Turtle.
 - Camp chairs are recommended as picnic table seating is limited.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free

- **Saginaw Bay by Voyageur Canoe**
 - 6:00pm – 10:00pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Join Naturalist Tom Lenon for an exciting adventure as we paddle the Saginaw Bay in a 29-foot Voyageur canoe. The canoe is a fiberglass reproduction of the birch bark canoes used by voyageurs to haul loads of trade goods and valuable animal pelts in the 18th and 19th centuries.
 - Explore the cattail marshes and look for birds and other wildlife.
 - If conditions are unfavorable, trip will be canceled and participants will be refunded.
 - Meet at the Visitor Center, Transportation in a CNC van is provided.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: \$30/person. **Registration Required**

July 17th, 2024 – Wednesday

- **July Business After Hours – Great Lakes Bay Construction**
 - 5:00pm – 7:00pm
 - Location: 2525 N Eastman Rd, Midland
 - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free to MBA Members

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July 18th, 2024 – Thursday

- **Outdoor Yoga Flow**
 - 12:00pm – 1:00pm
 - Location: Intersection of McDonald and Main St, Midland
 - Join Yoga instructor, Ali Huntoon, for a 45-minute Yoga Flow class
 - Things to know:
 - Bring H2O and comfy clothes
 - We will have a select number of yoga mats for use but you can also bring your own!
 - Feel free to bring any other props you want – blocks, straps, etc.
 - Class is held outside & if weather permits
 - All ages and stages of fitness welcome
 - Come ready to HAVE FUN!
 - Contact Information: <https://AlliedGroupFitness.as.me/yogadowntown>
 - Fees/Admission: Free

- **Nature Story Hour**
 - 10:00am – 11:00am
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Come discover the magic of nature through stories, hands-on activities and art with unique themes to match the season. Children and their caregiver(s) are invited to play and connect during this guided program. Weather-permitting, a portion of the time will be spent outdoors.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free

- **Upper Chippewa River Kayak Trip**

- 6:00pm – 9:00pm
- Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
- Spend an evening paddling down the Chippewa River with a naturalist as you look for turtles, fish, herons, hawks and eagles.
- After meeting at the Visitor Center, we'll travel to the Universal Access Site via CNC van and begin a leisurely paddle down river back to the Nature Center. CNC will provide a kayak, paddle and life jacket for each participant. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
- Fees/Admission: \$40 per person. **Registration Required.**

July 21st, 2024 – Sunday

- **Full Moon Stroll**

- 9:30pm – 11:00pm
- Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
- Join an Interpretive Naturalist for a hike to enjoy this month's full moon. Learn how the tradition of naming moons began and what makes each month special. Please wear dark colors and bring a flashlight. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
- Fees/Admission: Free

July 22nd, 2024 – Monday

- **Outdoor Zumba Class**

- 5:30pm – 6:30pm
- Location: Main & McDonald
- No experience necessary, any age and any stage of fitness welcome! POUND is for everybody
- Things to know:
 - Bring H2O and wear athletic shoes and comfy clothes
 - Class is held outside & if weather permits
 - All ages and stages of fitness welcome
- Contact Information: <https://AlliedGroupFitness.as.me/zumbadowntown>
- Fees/Admission: Free

- **Family Kayaking on the Chippewa River**

- 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
- Meet at the Visitor Center and after a lesson on kayaking skills, kayak down the Chippewa River to the Tridge. Bring a snack, water bottle and water shoes. CNC will provide a kayak, paddle and life jacket for each participant, as well as transportation back to CNC at the end of the trip.
- Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
- Fees/Admission: \$25/person

July 24th, 2024 – Wednesday

- **Adult Recess**
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July 25th, 2024 – Thursday

- **Chippewa Trail by Golf Cart**
 - 3:00pm – 4:30pm
 - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
 - Take a leisurely golf cart ride with a CNC naturalist along the paved Chippewa Trail from the Nature Center to the Tridge and back. We'll stop along the way to talk about the history of the land and native plants and animals.
 - Contact Information: info@chippewanaturecenter.org
 - Fees/Admission: Free. **Registration Required**

July 26th, 2024 – Friday

- **MYPros PerkUp! - TBD**
 - 8:00am – 10:00am
 - Location: Contact Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
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 - Fees/Admission: Free

July 27th, 2024 – Saturday

- **Hoedown in Downtown**
 - 6:00pm – 9:00pm
 - Location: Pedestrian Plaza
 - Enjoy free line dancing lessons from 6-7, complimentary of In Cahoots Country Dance Club, as well as live country music from 7-9 by the Todd Michael Band!
 - Fees/Admission: Free

*This information is provided as a community service and is not a complete list of community activities.
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