Things to Do in Flint & Genesee for the week of Feb. 26-Mar. 4



EVENTS

Friday, March 2

"First Fridays: Finding the Michigan Meteor" at Longway Planetarium

1310 E. Kearsley Street, Flint \cdot (810) 237-3409 or (810) 237-3400 \cdot sloanlongway.org

(Event runs 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.) Learn how some clever calculations and teamwork led a group of astronomers from Longway and searchers from the Farmington Community Stargazers on a hunt to find the Michigan Meteor, which burned up in the skies over Michigan on January 16. Hear the story of the search and see actual pieces of the Meteor. Recommended for families of all ages.

Friday, March 2 "The Chieftains" at The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-7333 · thewhiting.com

(Event begins 8 p.m.) The Chieftains were formed in Ireland in 1962 by Paddy Moloney, one of the top traditional folk musicians in Ireland and around the world. Their ability to transcend musical boundaries to blend tradition with modern music has notably hailed them as one of the most renowned and revered musical groups to this day. Enjoy this one evening, as the band performs what they have accumulated and achieved over the last 55 years, with a few extra gems thrown in for good measure.

Saturday, March 3

"Every Child Ready to Read Super Saturday Story Time" at the Flint Public Library/Main Branch

1026 E. Kearsley Street, Flint • (810) 232-7111 • fpl.info

(Event runs 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.) Drop-in at the Children's Room for some Tap & Tell Story Time with iPad Fun. Recommended for preschool to elementary school ages.

Saturday, March 3

"Tech StudioOH!: Robot Rally" at the Flint Public Library/Main Branch

1026 E. Kearsley Street, Flint • (810) 232-7111 • fpl.info

(Event runs 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Try some new technology and think creatively using robots. Learn simple computer coding and help program various robots to do tricks, new adventures and challenges that you design. Recommended for ages 8 and up.

Saturday, March 3

"Full Moon Hike" at For-Mar Nature Preserve

2142 N. Genesee Road, Burton · (810) 789-8567 · geneseecountyparks.org

(Event runs 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.) Join a naturalist for a hike under the magical glow of the full moon and experience what For-Mar animals see at night. Recommended for families of all ages.

Saturday, March 3

Flint Firebirds Hockey at Dort Event Center

3501 Lapeer Road, Flint · (810) 744-0580 · dorteventcenter.com

(Game begins 7 p.m.) The Flint Firebirds will play against the Sudbury Wolves. The Firebirds are part of the Ontario Hockey League (OHL) and represent a continuation of Flint's rich hockey tradition.

Saturday & Sunday, March 3 & 4 "Flint Gun and Knife Show" at Dort Event Center 3501 Lapeer Road, Flint (810) 744-0580 · dorteventcenter.com

(Event runs Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) Shop at over 450 tables packed full of great deals. Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Saturday & Sunday, March 3 & 4 "Fenton Community Expo" at Fenton High School 3200 W. Shiawassee Avenue, Fenton · fentonchamber.com/

(Expo runs Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Browse over 100 exhibitor tables with prizes and giveaways to be won, enjoy tasting local food, listening to live entertainment, petting zoo animals, playing in the kid's zone and much more. Free admission.

ATTRACTIONS

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Sloan Museum

1221 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-3450 · sloanlongway.org

(Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Enjoy regional history, historic automobiles and hands-on science activities where children and adults can explore principles of chemistry and physics through exhibits and staff presentations.

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"Be The Astronaut" – Blast off in a space capsule and discover the future of space exploration! Come aboard Starship Sloan, explore interactive navigation and technology stations and get ready to pilot your own mission. Videogame interfaces and hands-on command centers allow visitors to become the engineers and astronauts that make space flight possible.

"Collecting Flint from A to Z" – The Sloan Museum has a variety of artifacts, nearly 400,000 of them! You name it, they probably have one. This exhibit highlights 26 groups from Sloan's vast and varied collection. Each alphabetized set reveals something about Flint's shared history. View historic automobiles, firearms, radios, wedding dresses, beer, blueprints and everything in-between.

"Flint and the American Dream" – Take a fascinating journey through Flint in the 20th century – from the birth of the auto industry to the present. The gallery displays over 600 artifacts and photographs, including rare antique automobiles, colorful neon signs, period clothing, household furnishings and commercial goods.

"An Equal Opportunity Lie" - In 1967, Flint Mayor Floyd McCree, resigned his appointed position, stating, "I refuse to live an equal opportunity lie." He did so in protest of the city commission's defeat of an open housing ordinance. Using objects and images from Sloan Museum's collection, this exhibition examines the housing segregation that characterized Flint's residential development, as well as efforts to wrest the city free from discriminatory housing practices.

"Wisner's Whizbang Emporium" - Explore Wisner's Whizbang Emporium, an interactive gallery where young and old can play together. Wonder at toys from the past as the little one's shop for food in the miniature grocery store and cook in the play kitchen. Take the wheel in the climb-on ambulance, play a board game or discover a book together.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Longway Planetarium

1310 E. Kearsley Street, Flint \cdot (810) 237-3409 or (810) 237-3400 \cdot sloanlongway.org

Due to the dark planetarium environment, shows listed below are recommended for children 4 years and older. No late seating and no re-entry after show begins. Tickets go on sale ½ hour before show time. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

"Skies Over Michigan" - (Show starts daily 3 p.m.) Learn about the rotation of the Earth, find the North Star and the way around the night sky, what a constellation is and which are visible in the current night sky. Also, learn about Moon phases, the daily and monthly motion of the Moon through the sky, visible planets and their movement among the stars. Recommended for ages 6 and older.

"Space School" - (Show starts Monday-Wednesday 4 p.m., Thursday & Friday 4 p.m. & 7 p.m., Saturday 1 p.m. & 7 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. & 4 p.m.) Plunge into microgravity simulation in the world's most high-tech swimming pool, where astronauts practice repairing the International Space Station. Explore an extreme underwater training habitat and discover how astronauts test equipment, conduct experiments and live in isolation to prepare for space.

"In My Backyard" - (Show starts Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m.) Join Fred Penner from TV's Nickelodeon as he explores things large and small, from the colors of the rainbow, to reasons for the seasons and the stars

at night. Show is especially designed for the youngest stargazers.

"Perfect Little Planet" - (Show starts Saturday & Sunday 2 p.m.) Discover our solar system through a new set of eyes during this ultimate space vacation. Join a family, from another star system, as they seek to find the perfect vacation spot. Which destination would you choose? Recommended for ages 5 and older.

"The Queen Light Show: From Mercury With Love" - (Show starts Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m.) Longway Planetarium breathes new life into the wildly popular classic rock light show format with an original production set to the music of Queen. Recommended for adults.

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, February 27 & March 1 & 3 Flint Farmers' Market

300 E. First Street, Flint · (810) 232-1399 · flintfarmersmarket.com

(Open Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Open year-round, shop Flint's city market featuring over 50 inside vendors selling produce, including fresh, locally grown foods, a meat market, poultry, breads and baked goods, cheese, a wine shop, art gallery, flowers, gourmet coffees, crafts, fine arts and more. Also, enjoy breakfast and lunch at "Steady Eddy's", a unique market café that purchases a large selection of their menu ingredients from market vendors (also open limited hours on off market days).

Tuesday-Sunday, February 27-March 4 Flint Children's Museum

1602 W. University Avenue, Flint · (810) 767-5437 · thefcm.org

(Open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.) Home to over 50 exhibits designed for children ages 1-10 to inspire a lifelong love for learning through exploration and hands-on play.

"The Big Blue Blocks" from Imagination Playground – Enjoy this interactive exhibit that fosters creativity, cognitive development, social skills and physical development for children. There is no right or wrong way to play with Big Blue Blocks, so everyone will have fun no matter what. Come put your imagination to work and build your own designs.

"Insta-Freeze" – (Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) February is "Solids, Liquids and Gases – OH MY!" month at the museum. Every hour on the hour this week, turn water into ice instantly and learn about the properties of solids.

ART & CULTURE

Monday-Friday, February 26-March 2 Greater Flint Arts Council (GFAC)

816 S. Saginaw Street, Flint · (810) 238-ARTS · greaterflintartscouncil.org

(Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) The GFAC programs and services are designed to engage the community in creative processes and support the work of Michigan artists. This is accomplished by showcasing a new monthly exhibit, in their downtown Flint gallery, featuring the "African American All Media Art Exhibition" this month. This exhibit is on display through Friday.

Monday–Sunday, February 26–March 4 Flint Institute of Arts (FIA)

1120 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 234-1695 · flintarts.org

(Open Monday-Friday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Visit FIA and browse their outstanding collec-

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tions of American, European, Native American, African and Asian art including paintings, sculptures, prints, drawings and decorative arts featuring a complete set of 17th century French tapestries that tell a story.

"Squeezers" - Kawita Vatanajyankur's art offers a powerful examination of the psychological, social and cultural ways of viewing and valuing the continuing challenges of women's everyday labor. In her videos, the artist undertakes physical experiments that playfully, often painfully, test her body's limits – a challenge that is both unavoidably compelling and perplexing to watch. This exhibit ends Wednesday.

"Rhythms and Experiences: Everyday Life in 19th-century Japanese Prints" – This exhibition, curated by associate professor of art history at the University of Michigan-Flint, Dr. Sarah Lippert, explores Japanese prints from the FIA's permanent collection. The exhibit focuses on the simple elegance of the quotidian in Japanese life and explores why artists and collectors in Europe fell in love with Japonisme, a cult of Japanese aesthetic tradition.

"The Art of Containment – Vessels from the Sidney Swidler Collection" - In 1984, Sidney Swidler began collecting contemporary ceramics and, since that time, has collected over 1,000 objects. In 2017, Swidler gifted over 100 objects to the FIA. This collection of ceramics encompasses pieces by ceramicists working predominantly with the vessel form and illustrate the versatility of this art form and the breadth of Swidler's collection.

"Ubuhle Women: Beadwork and the Art of Independence" – This exhibition showcases a new form of textile art known as ndwango, developed by a community of women living and working together in rural KwaZula-Natal, South Africa. Established in 1999 by two women, on a former sugar plantation, the Ubuhle (meaning beauty in the Xhosa and Zulu languages) began as a way of creating employment for rural women combining traditional skills, like beadwork, and making them profitable. By stretching textile (ndwango) like a canvas, artists transform the flat cloth into a contemporary art form colored with Czech glass beads. The artwork provides an emotional outlet for a community affected by HIV/AIDS and low employment, as well as a route for financial independence for the artists.

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, February 27 & March 1 & 3 Art at the Market Gallery at the Flint Farmers' Market 300 E. First Street, Flint · (810) 238-9202 · artatthemarket.com

(Open Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Located in the Flint Farmers' Market, enjoy browsing, and purchasing, at this unique art gallery showcasing original artwork from over 30 local artists.

Thursday-Saturday, March 1-3 Mott-Warsh Collection Gallery

815 S. Saginaw Street, Flint (Gallery entrance is on E. Court Street) \cdot (810) 835-4900 \cdot m-wc.org

(Open Thursday & Friday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the 2nd Friday of each month 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.) The Mott-Warsh Collection is a private collection of fine art created by artists of the African diaspora. Maryanne Mott and her late husband, Herman Warsh, initiated the collection in 2001 as a means of providing fine art to a broader audience in the City of Flint and beyond. With a focus on art produced since 1940, the Mott-Warsh Collection contains work by over 125 artists

covering a range of media from drawing to painting, prints to photography and mixed media to sculpture. Exhibitions change frequently.

Thursday-Saturday, March 1-3 Buckham Gallery

134 ½ W. Second Street, Flint · (810) 239-6233 · buckhamgallery.org/

(Open 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Founded in 1984, Buckham Gallery is an artist-run, not-for-profit exhibition and performance space that features artists from as many diverse locations as possible. It is the philosophy of the gallery to create an open atmosphere, which allows both emerging and established artists to take charge of their own creative pursuits. Buckham Gallery is proud to present the "Never Done – The Work of Five Women" exhibition this month, which is on display through Friday.

THEATER

Tuesday, February 27

"Freedom Riders" at The Whiting

1241 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-7333 · thewhiting.com

(Performance begins 7:30 p.m.) This new play, with original songs and music, explores the valiant and courageous personalities behind one of the most critical chapters in the history of the Civil Rights movement. Freedom Riders demonstrates the importance of working together to affect change and specifically how non-violent protests were used to focus attention on the cruelties of segregation.

Thursday-Sunday, March 1-4

The Flint Community Players presents "Dial "M" for Murder" to the Tom & Bea Nobles Performance Hall

2462 S. Ballenger Highway, Flint · Box Office (810) 441-9302 / Main (810) 235-6963

(Performances begin Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 2:30 p.m.) Tony Wendice married his wife, Margot, for her money and now plans to murder her for the same reason. His scheme takes and unexpected twist in this classic spellbinder about a murder-for-hire gone wrong. This play is rated PG.

Friday-Sunday, March 2-4

The Fenton Village Players presents "Things My Mother Taught Me" to the Fenton Village Playhouse

14197 Torrey Road, Fenton ⋅ (810) 750-7700 ⋅ fentontheatre.org

(Performances begin Friday & Saturday 7 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m.) Enjoy this comedy about Olivia and Gabe who are moving into their first apartment together. They've just packed up their belongings and driven halfway across the country, to start a new life together in Chicago. Things become slightly complicated when their parents show up to help on moving day. The play takes a generational look at relationships and how sometimes parents are passing their best lessons on to their children without even meaning to.

ENTERTAINMENT

Monday-Saturday, February 26-March 3 Ice Skating at Flint Iceland Arena

1160 S. Elms Road, Flint · (810) 635-8487 · flinticeland.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and events) Enjoy the sport of

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ice skating with friends and family. Public skating sessions are a great way to get out on the ice, get some exercise and have fun while doing it. Public skating schedule is subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Ice Skating at Crystal Fieldhouse Ice Arena 5371 Daly Farms Drive, Burton · (810) 744-0800 · crystalfh.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and calendar of events page for a listing of all events) Enjoy public skating, drop-in hockey, stick-n-puck, broomball, U-of-M Flint Hockey games for both men and women, Powers Catholic High School home games, GFHA Youth Hockey leagues, Try Hockey for free days, learn to play hockey, CRYSTAL Skating Academy learn to skate, learn to gure skate, hockey skating skills, private lessons, adult learn to skate classes, adult hockey leagues, tournaments, camps and clinics. Book birthday parties and/or school and church field trips. Event times are subject to change. Please call ahead.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Mt. Holly Ski & Snowboard Area

13536 Dixie Highway, Holly · (248) 634-8269 · skimtholly.com

(Morning Session runs approximately 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Afternoon Session 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.) Nestled in Groveland Township just south of Flint & Genesee, Mt. Holly offers 19 trails ranging from beginner to advance along with 5 rope tows, 2 SunKid Wonder Carpets and 7 chairlifts, including Southeastern Michigan's only High-Speed detachable quad. Skiers and spectators can warm up by an outdoor fireplace or head inside the Bavarian Lodge, which features 2 cafeterias, a fireplace room, a lounge with 2 additional fireplaces and a full-service ski shop. Due to weather, operating times are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Michigan Escape Games

9023 Davison Road, Davison · (810) 652-6165 · michiganescapegames.com

(For game times and availability call the phone number above or visit the website) If you're a gamer and think you've got what it takes to test your clue-cracking skills in the real world, then this is for you. Designed for small groups of 2-12 people and team events up to 50 people, challenge your wits, skills and teamwork to find clues and solve ciphers to escape from a locked room in under 60 minutes. Each themed room transports all into an adventure and one that will never be forgotten!

Monday-Sunday, February 26-February 4 The Sandbox Virtual Reality Arcade

4290 Miller Road (Somerset Town Centre), Flint \cdot (810) 715-9791 \cdot http://thesandboxvra.com/

(Open Monday-Thursday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Get ready for something you have never experienced before by taking a trip into a Virtual World. Become an astronaut, a race car driver, zombie hunter, Jedi Knight, an artist or even take a trip to the bottom of the ocean or climb Mount Everest. Comfortable atmosphere for all ages, private rooms for friends and parties, drinks and snacks available and extra VR equipment to enhance the experience. Online reservations suggested, but walk-ins welcome (no guarantee for instant play).

Monday-Sunday, February 26-February 4 IMAX Trillium Theatre Grand Blanc/NCG Cinemas 8220 Trillium Circle Avenue, Grand Blanc · Show Times (810) 695-5000/ Main (810) 953-0650 · ncgmovies.com/grand-blanc/

"Black Panther: An IMAX 2D Experience" - Black Panther follows TChalla who, after the death of his father, the King of Wakanda, returns home to the isolated, technologically advanced African nation to succeed to the throne and take his rightful place as king. But, when a powerful old enemy reappears, TChalla's mettle as king and Black Panther is tested when he is drawn into a formidable conflict that puts the fate of Wakanda and the entire world at risk.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Cops & Robbers Ice Cream & Gifts - "Where It's A Crime Not To Have A Good Time!"

323 E. Main Street, Flushing · (810) 202-1001 · copsandrobbersshop.com

(Open 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Located in Flushing's former police station, this amazingly unique store offers a variety of toys, books, jewelry, nail polish, soaps, puzzles, games, playing cards, greeting cards, coffee mugs and much more including the largest local selection of J.R. Watkins products. Also enjoy delicious treats from Bella Birches Bakery, ice cream from New Era, Michigan's Country Dairy as well as slushies, fresh baked cookies, Cops & Robbers homemade chocolate bark, dipped and decorated cones, malts and more. Recommended for all ages.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Chuck E. Cheese's

3489 Miller Road, Flint · (810) 733-7404 · chuckecheese.com

(Open Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Chuck E. Cheese's is the ultimate place "Where a Kid Can Be a Kid" and parents can enjoy every moment. That's why Chuck E. himself takes pride in providing a safe, family-friendly environment offering video games, high-tech simulator rides, skytubes, kiddie rides for the little ones, tickets to redeem for prizes, stage shows and more.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Bowl Flint

B's Bowling Center · 750 S. Center Road, Flint · (810) 743-7570 · bowlflint.com Richfield Bowl · 5340 Richfield Road, Flint · (810) 736-4880 · bowlflint.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and events) Richfield Bowl and B's Bowling are dedicated in providing one of the best entertainment venues in Flint & Genesee. These modern bowling centers offer kid-friendly bumper bowling lanes with lightweight bowling balls and small shoes. Also, experience Cosmic Bowling, on the weekends, with glow in the dark lanes along with laser, disco, black and runway lights, fog and music.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Bowl Grand Blanc Lanes

5301 S. Saginaw Road, Flint · (810) 771-4273 · grandblanclanes.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and events) Enjoy Genesee County's largest bowling center with 76 modern lanes featuring the "Main Side" with 44 Brunswick synthetic lanes and the "Annex Side" with 32 wood lanes. Both sides have their own snack bar, lounge and

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bowling counter. Bumper bowling and automatic scorers make for a great family outing. On Friday and Saturday, come rock, dance and bowl during Cosmic Bowling.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Roller Skating at Rollhaven Skate & Fun Center

Flint/Grand Blanc · 5315 S. Saginaw Road, Grand Blanc Twp. · (810) 694-4533 · rollhaven.com—(Visit website above for hours of operation and events) This family-fun center offers open skate sessions, adult skate, friends & family skate, kid specials, a Friday Nite Live skate, Junior Roller Derby, laser tag, a giant soft play area and more.

Flushing · 3464 Ann Drive, Flushing · (810) 659-7260 · rollhaven. com—(Visit website above for hours of operation and events)
Rollhaven Skate & Fun Center in Flushing has fun for everyone with open skate sessions, Friday Nite Live skate, Sunday FunDay, CannonBlaster and a huge soft playground area.

Tuesday-Sunday, February 27-March 4 Card Table Republic - A Board Game Lounge "where board games and friends unite"

8427 Davison Road, Davison · (810) 652-6363 · cardtablerepublic.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.) Card Table Republic is a place where, for a small fee, people of all ages can relax and challenge themselves playing over 500 board, card and dice games with friends and family. Old classic games such as Monopoly, Life, Battleship and Trouble are available to play as well as the newer style games such as Ticket To Ride, Catan, Carcassonne and Cards Against Humanity. Their snack bar features made in Michigan products like Faygo and Better Made chips.

Tuesday-Sunday, February 27-March 4 CRU Paintball

4403 Clio Road, Flint · (810) 785-2278 · crupaintball.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) CRU Paintball is an unforgettable, adrenaline rush experience for paintball enthusiast and newcomers alike. With the largest indoor field in Michigan along with multiple indoor and outdoor fields, players are never kept waiting and can spend as much time on the fields as they desire. To ensure a fair match and make sure everyone has fun, teams are balanced so that a group of new players don't have to face a team of experienced paint ballers by themselves.

Tuesday-Sunday, February 27-March 4 The Summit Play Park

2630 Lippincott Boulevard, Flint · (810) 820-2341 · facebook.com/Summit-Play-Park-414386245585135/

(Open Tuesday-Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.) Enjoy this indoor, family-fun play park featuring inflatables, air hockey, obstacle courses, gaming stations, giant slides, pool tables, arcade games, a full service concession stand and more.

Wednesday & Friday-Sunday, February 28 & March 2-4 Roller Skating at Skateland Arena

8460 N. Dort Highway, Mt. Morris · (810) 686-6110 · skatelandarena.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and events) Family owned and operated for over 50 years, Skateland has been entertaining families at an affordable price. Come out and skate on their large rink offering skate themed nights and Roller Hockey Arena along with an arcade and play center, laser tag, full concessions, skating lessons, a Volleyball Club and more. Wednesday is adult R&B/Old School Skate for ages 18 and older only.

Wednesday & Friday-Sunday, February 28 & March 2-4 Open Skate at University Pavilion Ice Rink

303 S. Saginaw Street, Flint · (810) 762-3441 · umflint.edu/reccenter/umflint-ice-rink

(Open Wednesday 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.) Enjoy some family-fun, outdoor ice skating at Flint's Downtown University Pavilion. The ice rink opened in 1985 as part of Water Street Pavilion and closed just prior to the University of Michigan Flint's purchase of the property in 1990. The rink is in walking distance to a variety of downtown Flint restaurants and entertainment. Bring your own skates or rent skates for \$3 (limited sizes and quantities available). Skating at the rink is weather dependent. Free admission.

SHOPPING

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Genesee Valley Center

3341 S. Linden Road, Flint Township · (810) 732-4000 · geneseemall.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and coupon savings) "Shop until you drop" at Flint's 1.3 million square feet of shopping space with over 130 retailers, anchored by Macy's, JC Penney, Sears and Burlington. Find those unique buys at the Center's one-of-a-kind shops and markets such as Buckle, Best Buy Mobile and Forever 21. The Outdoor Village offers 65,000 square feet of boulevard-style shopping and national tenants including Barnes & Noble, Bar Louie, The Sleep Number Store and more. Kids will have fun playing in the bounce houses at the center's American Fun Center.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Courtland Center Mall

4190 E. Court Street, Burton · (810) 744-0742 · courtlandcenter.com

(Visit website above for hours of operation and special store offers) Located off I-69, Courtland Center offers 472,000 square feet of shopping featuring national retail anchors including JC Penney, Staples, Jo-Ann Superstore and Dunham's Sports. Visit more than 50 retailers and eateries while enjoying this friendly shopping experience with convenient parking.

"WEEKLY FEATURED" SHOPPING

Nehring's Market

3517 S. Belsay Road, Burton · (810) 742-6898 · facebook.com/Nehrings-Market-1486487688323962/

Enjoy specialty beer and wine, deli and meats, homemade sweets and more. Visit the Facebook Page above for hours of operation.

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Old Country Store (inside Cracker Barrel Restaurant)

4140 Pier North Blvd., Flint · (810) 230-0019 · https://shop.crackerbarrel.com/

Located inside Cracker Barrel restaurant, this unique store offers a collection of clothing and accessories, food and old fashion candy, toys and games, personal care products, sports fans and more. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

Wear's Like New

4362 Miller Road, Flint · (810) 233-4444 · facebook.com/WearsLikeNew/

An upscale boutique selling previously loved items at a fraction of retail prices. Visit the Facebook Page above for hours of operation.

Green Parrot Superstore

8165 S. State Road, Goodrich · (810) 636-9120 · greenparrotsuperstore.com/

Green Parrot hand feeds and raises wonderful companion parrots, and other birds, to place in forever homes. The store also sells cages, food and toys as well as educates people on how to care for pet birds. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

Assenmachers Cycling Center

8053 Miller Road, Swartz Creek · (810) 635-7844 · assenmachers.com/

This extensive retail and repair shop features Trek and Specialized bicycles as well as a custom frame shop for any type of repair. You will find knowledgeable, friendly and ready to help staff with any aspect of bicycling. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

DINING WITH EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

Monday-Saturday, February 26-March 3 Cranberries Café

10250 Hegel Road, Goodrich · (810) 636-3409 · cranberriescafe.com

(Open for lunch Monday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., dinner Tuesday-Thursday 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday & Saturday 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.) Enjoy great food and drinks, including Michigan beers on tap, while relaxing in this 1917 building featuring its original tin ceiling and flooring, an antique cherry bar and an original floral icebox, from northern Michigan, now converted into a wine cooler. Every Tuesday is Beer Night with half priced bottles and \$2 off drafts with dinner. Dine at Cranberries on Wednesday and receive a bottle of wine half off with dinner and/or visit on Thursday for live entertainment from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Monday-Saturday, February 26-March 3 Johnny's Pour House

240 W. Main Street, Flushing · (810) 487-1020

(Open Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 11p.m. and Friday & Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Enjoy one of Flushing's most comfortable dining experiences for breakfast, lunch and dinner, in a casual atmosphere where friends and family can meet and enjoy the highest quality food, at affordable prices, along with friendly service. Live music runs most Friday and Saturday nights starting at 9 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ

2461 North Road, Fenton · (810) 750-0507 · bealestreetsmokehouse.com

(Open Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday & Saturday 11 a.m.

to 10 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.) Using the highest quality meats, enjoy tasty pulled pork and chicken, brisket, St. Louis and baby-back ribs, Michigan craft beers on tap, and in bottles, and more. Beale Street offers that "Juke Joint" atmosphere with live weekend music from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Blondie's Food & Spirits

2520 W. Hill Road, Flint · (810) 766-9680 · blondiesfoodandspirits.com

(Open Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.) Blondie's Food & Spirits has a passion for food and their guests. This unique restaurant offers more than just a commitment to fresh and traditional menu items, they make sure that every guest has a memorable dining experience in a warm and inviting atmosphere. Their extensive upscale, American comfort menu offers something for everyone for lunch, dinner and drinks. Live entertainment runs most Friday and Saturday nights starting at 7 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Brickstreet of Grand Blanc

1223 E. Grand Blanc Road, Grand Blanc \cdot (810) 603-2114 \cdot brickstreetbarandgrill.com

(Open at 11a.m. Monday–Friday and at 12 p.m. on Saturday & Sunday) Famous for fresh seafood, house-cut steaks and signature entrees, enjoy lunch, dinner and drinks in a friendly and comfortable atmosphere. Relax and sing along with live pub entertainment every Thursday, Friday and Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. Brickstreet also offers a Sunday Brunch and Bloody Mary Bar from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (reservations suggested).

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 The Corner Bar & Grill

4015 Owen Road, Fenton · (810) 354-8808 · cbgfenton.com

(Open Monday-Wednesday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 12 a.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Enjoy this rock-n-roll gastro pub offering a unique mix of fun and elegance with quality food from gourmet burgers to excellent codfish tacos along with craft beer and handcrafted drinks. A delicious brunch is served every Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with loaded omelets, brewcakes, chicken and waffles, breakfast hash, mimosas and more. In addition to great food, the Corner Bar & Grill hosts weekly entertainment with live music most weekends.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Lake View Bar & Grill

8291 Silver Lake Road, Linden · (810) 458-6147

(Open Monday-Thursday 2 p.m. to 12 a.m., Friday 2 p.m. to 2 a.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Enjoy this sports bar and eatery located on the peaceful shoreline of Lobdell Lake serving sandwiches, soups, salads, burgers and hand tossed stone baked pizza with entrees and pasta dishes available between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Breakfast is served on the weekends. Entertainment begins Monday with Karaoke Night, starting at 8 p.m., Open Mic Jam Night on Thursdays at 8 p.m. and live bands perform most weekends from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 The Rough Draught Coffee & Barroom

134 N. Leroy Street, Fenton · (810) 714-3005 · roughdraughtbarroom.com

(Open Monday & Tuesday 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday & Thursday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 6 a.m. to midnight and Sunday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.) Come experience this unique reminiscent of an old bar in an industrial building with reclaimed brick, lighting and other structural elements offering a unique selection of craft beers and cocktails and exceptional wines. Baristas are on staff to brew up the perfect latte, cappuccino or gourmet coffee. A light menu is also available offering breakfast and lunch sandwiches, burgers, salads and more all specially prepared with house made ingredients. Enjoy live acoustic tunes by local artists on Saturday.

Monday-Sunday, February 26-March 4 Sherman's Lounge

4211 Fenton Road, Flint · (810) 233-7057 · shermanslounge.com

(Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 2 a.m.) Home to Flint's Finest Entertainment for nearly 50 years, enjoy the best of live, local bands and events throughout the week. Sherman's also features a fully stocked bar, multiple flat-screen TVs, three pool tables, video games, keno and more. Their menu offers pizza, subs, signature sandwiches and a variety of other tasty dishes.

Tuesday-Sunday, February 27-March 4 Fenton Winery & Brewery (FWB)

1370 N. Long Lake Road, Fenton · (810) 373-4194 · fentonwinery.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 3 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.) Founded in 2007, FWB began as a typical winery featuring 15 wines and a tasting bar. They now offer a variety of beers on tap and over 20 wine choices (some on tap) with a steady rotation of seasonal wines and specialties. FWB also offers a retail store "Taproom" to purchase those favorites, a delicious menu, wine & beer samplings and live entertainment most weekends starting at 8 p.m.

Friday, March 2

The Jewel of Grand Blanc/Paddy McGee's

5270 Perry Road, Grand Blanc · (810) 694-5960 · jewelgolf.com

(Open 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. or later) Located inside the Grand Blanc Golf Club, The Jewel of Grand Blanc offers Friday night country entertainment with DJ "Dan Richards' along with line dancing from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Adjacent to The Jewel is Grand Blanc's superior Irish Pub, Paddy McGee's, serving an all-day full breakfast and lunch and dinner menu as well as drink specials (open Wednesday-Sunday).

"WEEKLY FEATURED" DINING

Big John Steak & Onion

4180 W. Vienna Road, Clio · (810) 686-9420 · bigjohnsteakandonion.net/

A Flint & Genesee tradition since 1972, specializing in a fresh grilled Steak & Onion Sub along with a variety of other subs to choose from. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

John's Steak House & Pizzeria

8038 S. State Road, Goodrich · (810) 636-2175 · johnssteakhousegoodrich.com/

Enjoy homemade Italian and American cuisine featuring traditional

family recipes with a new age twist. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

China Garden

618 W. Broad Street, Linden · (810) 735-6888 · facebook.com/China-Garden-221292144693624/

Delicious Chinese food featuring Bourbon, Honey, Pepper, Mongolian and Qian Quan Chicken and daily specials. Visit the Facebook Page above for hours of operation.

The Montrose Pub

10174 Vienna Road, Montrose · (810) 639-7762 · facebook.com/The-Montrose-Pub-241526208651/

Folksy atmosphere with high quality food and service and awesome live music. Visit the Facebook Page above for hours of operation.

El Potrero Mexican Restaurant

6104 Miller Road, Swartz Creek · (810) 644-7066 · therealtasteofmexico.

Enjoy this local Mexican restaurant serving authentic Mexican food and cocktails. Visit the website above for hours of operation.

NIGHTLIFE

Tuesday & Friday, February 27 & March 2 The Machine Shop Concert Lounge

3539 S. Dort Highway, Flint · (810) 715-2650 · themachineshop.info

(Doors open 7 p.m. for all shows unless otherwise noted. Tuesday's show is set to start earlier.) The Machine Shop hosts live rock-n-roll, metal and outlaw country events weekly. Visit the website above for this week's entertainment featuring Tuesday's Reunion Tour of the rock group L.A. Guns.

Friday & Saturday, March 2 & 3

The Old Sequoia Wine Bar & Martini Lounge

5304 Gateway Centre Drive, Flint · (810) 233-8000 · theredwoodlodge.com

(Live music begins 9 p.m.) Located inside the Redwood Steakhouse & Brewery, the Sequoia Lounge presents live music featuring local artists. Visit the website above for this week's entertainment details.

Sunday, March 4

Red Ink Flint Local 432 Concert Venue

124 W. First Street, Flint · facebook.com/FlintLocal432/

(Live music runs 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.) This all ages club, known for its diversity, features performing arts programming, primarily live music, but also theatre, dance, comedy and more. Most of its audience and musicians are high school and college-age students. Visit the Facebook Page above for this week's live music performance.

Information and dates above are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead to confirm.