

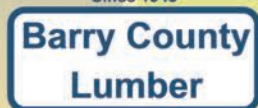


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May 3rd Enjoy a girl's night out in
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HASTINGS CITYWIDE GARAGE SALES

May 11th- 13th

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

May 28th 9:30am

TROLLEY AROUND TOWN

Fridays June 8th-August 31th 6-9pm.

CITY BAND

Wednesdays June 6th- July 4th
at 7:30 on the Thornapple Plaza

PLAYING AT THE PLAZA

Children's Entertainment Series
Thursdays June 14th- August 9th at 11am

FRIDAYS AT THE FOUNTAIN

June 15th- July 27th at noon
Courthouse Lawn in downtown Hastings

FRIDAY NIGHT FEATURES

June 15th- August 17th at 7:30
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COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

Wednesdays July 11th- August 22nd at 7:30
At the Thornapple Plaza

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July 13th- 14th
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July 14th- 15th
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August 24th-26th

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December 31st
Downtown Hastings



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Playing at the Plaza Thursdays at 11:00am

Hastings Spray Plaza • 203 West State Street

Hastings City Band Wednesdays at 7:30

Thornapple Plaza • 301 East State Street

Community Concert Series Wednesdays at 7:30

Thornapple Plaza • 301 East State Street

Fridays at the Fountain at Noon

Barry County Courthouse Lawn • 220 West State Street

Friday Night Features at 7:30

Thornapple Plaza • 301 East State Street

Fridays at the Fountain rain plan: event canceled
Hastings City Band, Community Concert Series, Friday Night Features and
Playing at the Plaza rain venue: Barry Community Enrichment Center
231 S. Broadway



Hastings City Band

June 6

at the Thornapple Plaza

7:30 PM

Chart Toppers and Jazz

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June 13

at the Thornapple Plaza

7:30 PM

A Night on Broadway

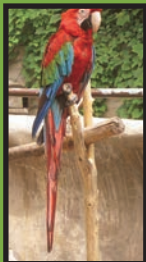
Hastings Live Summer Series

June 14

John Ball Zoo

Playing at the Spray Plaza

11:00 AM



Let the zoo come to you! Learn about wildlife in a hands-on learning experience with our zoo education staff at the Spray Plaza. The animals present will depend on their behavior and the weather that day. If the temperature is 90 degrees or above this event will be held at our rain location at the Barry Community Enrichment Center.



June 15

Community Music School

Fridays at the Fountain

Noon

The Hastings Community Music School provides musical listening, learning and performance opportunities to people of all ages and skill levels.



June 15

Denise Davis and the Motor City Sensations

Friday Night Features

Thornapple Plaza

7:30 PM

Denise Davis has performed at the most popular entertainment venues in Metro-Detroit, including the Motor City Casino, Bert's Motown Lounge, The Detroit Princess Boat, The Detroit Free Press Marathon, and The Concert of Colors Music Festival. Denise has performed with Motown Funk Brothers and has received nominations for her singing by The Detroit Music Awards Foundation and The Detroit Black Music Awards. She is known for her powerful vocals and dynamic stage presence. Denise Davis is Excitement, Energy and Entertainment.

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Hastings Live Summer Series



June 20
Hastings City Band
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM
Cine-Magic



June 22
Chuck Whiting Jr.
Fridays at the Fountain
Noon

Chuck Whiting is a great musician and a high-energy performer with a unique appreciation for Western swing. We think you'll like Chuck Whiting; he's high energy!

June 21
BenJammin
Educational Music
Playing at the Spray
Plaza
11:00 AM

Jammin with BenJammin Gauthier gives kids a chance to move, play and sing along with educational music. With songs like "The Safety Belt Song," "Keep in Shape" and "Dream, Love, Live," your kids will learn about health, safety, respect and science—all while having so much fun they won't even realize they are learning!!



Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Andy Cove
Kevin Beck
Jeff Domenico

Hastings Live Summer Series

June 22
The Accidentals
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

With ODYSSEY, their extraordinary Sony Masterworks debut album, The Accidentals affirm their place among contemporary music's most original and adventurous new bands. Multi-instrumentalists Sav Buist and Katie Larson – joined on stage and in the studio by drummer Michael Dause – have crafted a genre all their own, fueled by their uniquely limitless approach to musicality and songcraft. Named among Yahoo Music's "Top 10 Bands to Watch in 2017," the past five years have seen The Accidentals perform over a thousand live shows, including headline dates, festival sets, and shared stages along such like-minded acts as Martin Sexton, Brandi Carlile, Andrew Bird, The Wailers, Joan Baez and others. With ODYSSEY, The Accidentals have conjured a truly one of its kind sound and vision, booming with free-thinking musicality, wisdom, and an understanding that growth



is a process, not something that happens overnight. "I don't think there are really any limits in terms of genre or instrumentation," Larson says. "We just really enjoy making music that connects." "For us, it's about the experience and collaboration and trying to learn as much as we can," Buist says. "We want to be able to walk into any room with confidence in our craft, but in the end, we're total nerds that just enjoy learning new things. Every day is an opportunity."

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June 27
Hastings City Band
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM
Band Favorites

Hastings Live Summer Series

June 28
Thornapple Players
Playing at the Spray Plaza
11:00 AM



This year the Thornapple Players return to the Spray Plaza! Each year the Thornapple Players host a week-long camp for local youth. The campers will perform monologue excerpts from their summer performance and offering theater games for all to enjoy.



June 29
Steve Pesch
Fridays at the Fountain
Noon

Steve Pesch is a Kalamazoo musician bringing 35 years of guitar picking style that is purely his own. He has performed as a solo musician, entertainer and songwriter around the West Michigan area since 2005. He explores the genres of rock to country while bringing a real energy to live music.

June 29 May Erlewine Trio
Friday Night Features • Thornapple Plaza 7:30 PM

Some people might call May Erlewine "Michigan's Songbird" but her songs have traveled far beyond her home state. One of the most prolific and passionate songwriters of her generation, May's music has touched the hearts of people all over the world. Her words have held solace for weary hearts, offered a light in the darkness and held a lot of space for the pain and joy of being alive in these times. When she starts to sing, there's no way around it.



Welcome to the moment, everyone. Raised in a family rich with art and music, May began writing songs and playing them for the people at a very young age. Her journeys have taken her all over the world, from street corners to renowned stages, May has performed for all walks of life. In her travels Erlewine came to know the land and the pulse of the people. Her songs show a very real connection and concern with everyday folk.

July 4
Hastings City Band

Thornapple Plaza

8:00 PM

A Tribute to America

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July 5
Susan Picking

Playing at the Spray Plaza

11:00 AM

Susan has received praise for her moving melodies and stirring lyrics which reflect a deep soul. Susan's songs are about life, but not as we usually think of life. She cajoles the listener to see the quirky underbelly. Her wistful wit comes through a voice rich with lovely cadences; one might even hear a hint of an Irish lilt. Her arrangements are Americana influenced, based in folk, pop, jazz, blues, bluegrass, and maybe even a little celtic, fitting nicely into the vague category of Independent Artist, Contemporary Folk, Singer/Songwriter. The School of Life lands in the multi-genre category including Hip Hop/Rap, Reggae, Pop, Jazz, and Americana.

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July 6
Basement Bluegrass
Fridays at the Fountain
Noon

Old fashioned, toe tapping,
back to the roots music.

Hastings Live Summer Series



July 6
The Blue Leaf's
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

The Blue Leaf's is a 5 member band out of Tipp City, Ohio. They play music from the 1950s to today; as well as their own original music. The band members consist of a retired Air Force Tech Sergeant and four Wright State University students.

The Blue Leaf's were formed in January of 2015 under the name Beatles on the Beach, but changed the name so that they could release original music. The idea for the Blue Leaf's came to them when, after leaving a practice, a leaf that appeared blue in the low afternoon light blew across their path, giving them the idea for the name. They chose a mint leaf for the logo because Adam wants to put out a line of Blue Leaf's gum (if his bandmates ever let him).



July 11
Brotha James
Community Concert Series
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

Brotha James is a solo performer who does live looping, layering sounds through the magic of technology to create a full band effect. He isn't the only performer out there doing this, but he has taken the technique and made it his own. His positive energy is contagious and his enthusiasm for creating, playing and performing helps him engage audiences of all ages.

July 12
Brotha James
Playing at the Spray Plaza
11:00 AM

Brotha James has a great perspective on proper preparation for shows, connecting with audiences of all types, and most importantly getting them involved in the performance. Each show features a drum breakdown where the audience is given percussion instruments to keep the beat with solos on the djembe. There's also a call and response section of the show where the audience will repeat what Brotha James says over the top of a playing loop. Both are big hits with the audience and take up the energy in the room or environment a couple of notches.



July 13
Olivia Mainville
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

Of her own volition, Grand Rapids-based singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Olivia Mainville dove headfirst into the world of music as early as the fifth grade when she began playing viola and upright bass in orchestra. Following her first Wheatland Festival in 2012, Mainville fell in love with the idea of performing her own songs on stage, which eventually inspired her 2014 gypsy swing and baroque pop debut EP, *Full Steam Ahead* featuring members of *The Accidentals*.

Since the release of her first solo output, Olivia has forged a unique path, becoming known alongside her band, the Aquatic Troupe, for their energized, dynamic performances and their gargantuan musical talent. Olivia Mainville & the Aquatic Troupe's debut album, *Maybe the Saddest Thing*, released in December 2015 with a special guest appearance by David Bowie's bandleader and lead guitarist, Gerry Leonard, their multifarious, enthusiastic delivery is sure to be a hit with listeners everywhere.



July 13
Ellie Youngs
Fridays at the
Fountain
Noon

Young singer/songwriter
 from Hastings.

July 18
Thornapple
Jazz Orchestra
Community Concert
Series
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM



The Thornapple Jazz orchestra is comprised of community members and regional instrumentalists with an interest in performing music rooted in the Big Band Jazz genre. TJO includes a vast repertoire of literature to include vintage big band music as well as music for the contemporary big band. This full compliment ensemble of five saxophones, four trombones, four trumpets, piano, bass, drums, and singer, can be heard on any given performance performing arrangements from the likes of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Glenn Miller, and the list goes on. We look forward to seeing you soon!!



July 19

Josh Dunigan

Playing at the Spray Plaza

11:00 AM

Over the past 15 years, Joshua Dunigan has used his love of world music to teach and perform Afro-Cuban and Latin percussion with adult classes and public school students. As the percussionist for Latin-Rock band Cabildo and Afrobeat band AfroZuma, Josh places traditional Cuban, Brazilian, and Andean rhythms in a contemporary setting for live shows in Grand Rapids.

As an instructor for Artists Creating Together (ACT), Josh works with cognitively disabled students using world percussion instruments to learn communication, expression, group play and the science of sound.



July 20

BenJammin

Fridays at the Fountain

Noon

BenJammin Gauthier, a graduate of Western Michigan University brings interactive music to all ages. His performance will feature your favorite music with an open invitation to join in the song.

July 20

Brena

Friday Night Features

Thornapple Plaza

7:30 PM



Brena Band is a one-stop-shop when it comes to wedding entertainment. Their six member band, featuring guitars, drums, horns, violin, keyboards, and tight vocal harmonies, will keep your guests dancing all night long. Their wide variety of songs offer a little something for everyone; ranging from oldies, to current top 40 hits, classic rock to smooth R&B, country to high energy dance music, and everything in between.

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July 25
Geez Louise!
 Community Concert
 Series
 Thornapple Plaza
 7:30 PM

Alice Cooper to Alice Merton, Elvis Costello to Elvis Presley, Tom Jones to Tom Petty...a crazy mix of tunes that other bands don't play, done by a crazy mix of the coolest kids in town.



July 26th
Cooperfly Puppet
Troupe
 Playing at the Spray Plaza
 11:00 AM

Kevin loves to perform, write, draw, sing, make things, and wonder about possibilities. He is an award-winning artist, performer, and children's author of many books and CDs who loves to collaborate with other artists. Each year, he visits schools, libraries, festivals, and conferences to inspire active imaginations through poetry, puppetry, music, and movement. He and his family live in Grand Rapids, MI. Visit kevinkammeraad.com for more.



July 26
Daves @ 7
 Fridays at the Fountain
 Noon

Daves @7 is an acoustic driven folk-pop band playing original tunes written by singer/songwriter Amy Young. Band members are Amy Young, Dave DeVos, Paul Ouwinga, Fritz VonValtier, and Leah Postema.



July 27
Alan Turner
 Friday Night Features
 Thornapple Plaza
 7:30 PM

Not since Garth Brooks jumped of the stage and into people's hearts has the county scene delivered such riveting entertainment as southeastern Michigan's Alan Turner and his Steel Horse Band.

His connection with his fans makes him stand out, and his rugged good looks and rich baritone vocals often have him touted as "Tim McGraw with a Toby Keith attitude." All across the USA and into Canada, Alan and the band have been thrilling crowds with distinctly high energy country with a pumping rock n roll sound that no one delivers better. From Alan jumping off the stage to sing and dance with the fans, to the driving beat of a very confident and talented group of musicians, this is one cowboy you don't want to miss!



August 1
Mad Bertha
 Community Concert
 Series
 Thornapple Plaza
 7:30 PM

Mad Bertha is the perfect band for all occasions. Led by outstanding vocalist Heather Cregg and a sizzling veteran horn section, the band runs the gamut of musical genres. R&B, funk, Motown, pop, classic rock, country are all expertly covered.



August 2
Stormy
the Magician
 Playing at the Spray Plaza
 Noon

A local favorite. Stormy has been creating similes and laughter for children and adults of all ages for over 32 years! Stormy's magic is created by weaving stories, laughter, and tricks into a show that the audience will remember for a lifetime!



August 3
The Outer Vibe
 Friday Night Features
 Thornapple Plaza
 7:30 PM

We like to call ourselves a musical adventure. We're a band of five friends who create, record, and perform music together. We travel all over North America in our Ford Transit van (his name is Vanakin Skywalker), sharing our music and making new friends with people who love adventure, experiences and music.



August 8
Grumpy Old Men
 Community Concert
 Series
 Thornapple Plaza
 7:30 PM

Come out and hear your favorite classic rock oldies of the 60s and 70s. Grumpy Old Men is sure to be a crowd pleaser as they enchant you with music from yesterday.



August 9
**Kalamazoo Exotic
 Animals & Reptiles**
 Playing at the Spray Plaza
 11:00 AM

Come check out the exciting and unusual animals that will be presented.

August 10
Luke Winslow King
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

Luke Winslow-King's latest album is an example of craftsmanship at the highest level, radiating a warmth and timeless elegance. Adept at mixing country, blues, R&B, rock 'n' roll, and folk influences intuitively and masterfully, Luke shapes a mood from many sources and shepherds it to a unifying place of acceptance and hope. *Blue Mesa* is both stately and approachable, manifestly proficient but deeply personal.

What sets this album above the singer and guitarist's previous work is how he's absorbed the offerings of a life in music. Born and raised in the Northern Michigan town of Cadillac, he moved to New Orleans at 19 and spent the next 15 years fully immersing himself in the musical waters that flow through there. Now that he's moved on, it is the larger world, and the people and places in it, that enthralls him. From these travels and friendships comes a deeper and richer perspective on the American musical traditions he fell in love with at an early age.



August 15
The Bluecatz
Community Concert
Series
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

The Bluecatz, 1996 to present, play a diverse range of blues styles from heartfelt deep blues to toe-tapping Texas swing. The band's repertoire includes their own arrangements of material from the blues masters such as Willie Dixon, Muddy Waters, Sonny Boy Williamson II, Freddie and BB King, T-bone Walker, Stevie Ray Vaughan as well as their own original blues. Their music features electric guitar, heartfelt slide guitar, harmonica, piano, organ and vocal harmonies.

August 17
Kari Holmes
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM



Blessed with both beauty and an angelic voice, Kari Holmes is taking the music scene by storm. Her first single, "Something New," was released to mainstream country radio and instantly made the top 200 on the Music Row chart in Nashville. Her debut single, "More From Me," hit number 21 on the Inspirational Country Music chart (ICM) in Nashville and she was a top 10 nominee for ICM's New Artist of the Year in 2016. The Music Umbrella (Santa Monica, Ca. based international music consultancy company) has had strong Americana feedback about Kari from industry vets. She recently completed her first radio tour and continues to promote both singles on her debut EP, "Something New." She is currently touring and selling out shows in the Midwest and continues to branch out.

August 22
The Groove Band
Friday Night Features
Thornapple Plaza
7:30 PM

Funky Groovy Big Beat! The Groove Band performs instrumental music rooted in Jazz, a compelling groove and the classic organic sounds of a genuine 1954 Hammond B2.



Hastings Summerfest Weekend at the Thornapple Plaza

August 24

4:00-5:30 PM

Sam Corbin and Jen Sygit

While they both play solo acts, Sam and Jen often join together as music partners. They are both part of Earthwork Music Collective, a group of musicians working together to build community and self-awareness through the art of music in the state of Michigan and beyond.



6:00-7:00 PM

Kevin Collins and Kuungana

For the past 40 years Kuungana Drum and Dance Company has been dedicated to educating the community using drum, dance and song. The ADDPA African Drum and Dance Parent Association is a non-profit organization, based in Flint, Michigan. They teach adults, college students and children of all ethnicities, traditional African heritage. Their program provides alternatives for youth while increasing self-awareness, self-pride, a sense of heritage and family structure that creates productive communities.



7:30-9:00 PM

B2Wins

From the violent slums of Brazil they broke the mold of society by using music as a movement to bring about positive change. That force has defeated violence, poverty, depression, cancer. Now they are on a mission to make the world smile. Playing electric violins in a progressive and exciting way these are true original artists, entertainers, performers, speakers, lifestyle enthusiasts. What they do extends far beyond music. Music is merely the tool, the tool to make the world a better place.



Hastings Live Summer Series

August 25

2:00-3:00 PM

Kari Lynch Band

The Kari Lynch Band lives for rocking the stage and putting on an entertaining and unforgettable show. With exceptional musicianship, accomplished songwriting, and incredible enthusiasm, the band brings a dynamic stage presence, impressive lead vocal, and solid three-part harmony to every stage.

Kari is no stranger to the spotlight. She's played thousands of shows across the U.S and abroad, successfully released original music and videos, played to crowds in the tens of thousands and earned an impressive resume. For Kari, work and music have always gone hand-in-hand. For the past 10 years she's toured throughout the country as an independent artist, acted as her own manager, booking agent and publicist, and worked tirelessly to make music her full-time career.



3:30-5:00 PM

Stone Hedge

In 1968 a rock/pop band was formed in Battle Creek, Michigan by the name of Stone Hedge. In time they were playing at venues throughout southwest Michigan. Stone Hedge entertained audiences from 1968 through the mid 70's with a mix of current hits and some of their own songs. They opened concerts for nationally known touring bands such as The Grass Roots and Sugarloaf. There was a special energy from this band that generated excitement no matter where they performed. After several years, however, life called, and the members found regular day jobs, got married and started families. But while their time playing in a band had seemingly ended, their love for the music, entertaining, and fellowship of a band always burned strong...If you enjoy 60s and 70s classic pop hits, check out west Michigan's 'Stone Hedge. You will be entertained!



Hastings Live Summer Series

August 25 (Continued)

5:30-7:00 PM

Silent Bark

Silent Bark is West Michigan's premiere party band. The band consists of long time established area band members, and their energetic live shows have been building a buzz in the West Michigan scene since they formed in 2006. The band uses elements of rock, pop, blues, alt-country and funk to put on an evening of solid grooves, infectious melodies and quality musicianship that is sure to keep your butts wiggling and the dance floor filled.

A Silent Bark show is a party you will surely not want to miss!



7:30-9:00 PM

Captured Detroit

Captured Detroit is the ultimate Journey tribute band that faithfully recaptures the thrill that generations of Journey fans remember. They recreate and “recapture” Journey’s greatest hits that have withstood the test of time after all these years. Captured Detroit features five top metro-Detroit area professional musicians who perform all parts live—no tracks—no sequencers—100% live! They come together bringing the highest level of musicianship - paying careful attention to recreate the songs, sounds, energy, and rich harmonies that made Journey known as one of the best rock and roll bands of all time.



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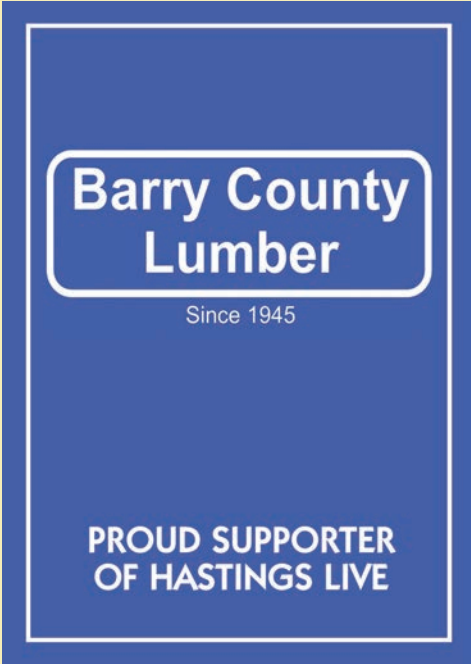
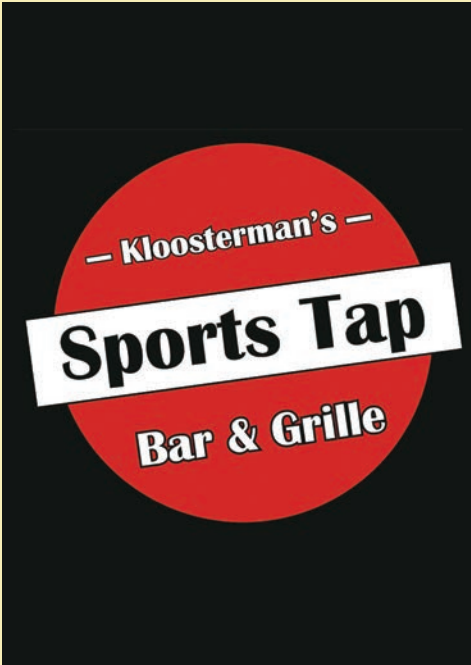


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