

September 12, 2022 Bulletin

The in-person September 12 meeting of the Rotary Club of Kalamazoo took place at the Traveler's Cafe & Pub in Kalamazoo, Michigan and was called to order by President Elect Cheri Bell at 12:00 p.m.

President Elect Cheri led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rotarian Aaron Winters gave the invocation.

Arts News

The arts news was presented by Rotarian Dann Systma

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

[Clases de Ingles Gratis / Free English as a Second Language Classes](#)



Monday, Wednesday

Feb 07, 2022 - Dec 31, 2022 at 12:30 pm

Free Admission

Presented by [El Concilio](#) and [Kalamazoo Public Schools](#) at [El Concilio](#), 930 Lake Street, #A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001

¿Quiere Ud. aprender o mejorar su inglés? ¿Le gustaría tener más confianza en usarlo? Entonces esta clase es para usted. El Concilio, en colaboración con el programa de Educación Adulta de las Escuelas Públicas de Kalamazoo, ofrecen esta clase para ayudarle a alcanzar sus metas y ganar confianza en hablar el inglés.

Registración abierto ahora. Cupo limitado. ¡Gratis para inscribirse! Llámanos para guardar su espacio.

Would you like to learn or improve your English? Would you like to have more confidence in using it? Then this class is for you. El Concilio, in collaboration with the Kalamazoo Public Schools' Adult Education program, offers this class to help you reach your goals and gain confidence in speaking English.

Registration is open now. Limited space available. Free to enroll! Call us to save your space.

FREE EVENTS

[La Luna Recording & Sound: FREE Music Production & Business Workshops](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Friday

Aug 01, 2022 - Dec 16, 2022 at 07:00 pm

at La Luna Recording & Sound, 1501 Fulford Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49001



La Luna Recording & Sound is pleased to announce the return of our music production & busi-

ness workshops for fall 2022, all of which are now **free to the public**.

Taught by some of West Michigan's most experienced and influential musicians, engineers and industry professionals, these classes focus on subjects important to both those producing music in the studio, as well as performing artists. Presenters include La Luna engineers **Ian Gorman**, **Maggie Heeren**, and **Samuel Peters**, as well as guest instructors **John Campos** (Audio instructor; Western Michigan University), Jay Jackson (Producer/Performing artist; Last Gasp Collective), **Michael Shimmin** (Performing artist; May Erlewine, Dave Bruzza, Seth Bernard, the ollum), **Dutcher Snedeker** (Performing artist/Booker/Journalist; Earth Radio, Blushing Monk, Local Spins), **Val Walters** (Event & concert manager; Bell's Brewery), and **Darcy Wilkin** (Performing artist/Radio Host; The Corn Fed Girls, WMUK)

All events start at 7pm, and take place at La Luna Recording & Sound (**1501 Fulford St. Kalamazoo, MI 49001**). **No advance registration required**. For more info, please visit LaLunaRecording.com.

[Dr. Drew Lanham](#)



Monday

Sep 12, 2022 at 06:00 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Chenery Auditorium](#), 714 S. Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

KNC's Terry Todd International Speaker Series present Dr. Drew Lanham, 'Coloring The Conservation Conversation', at Chenery Auditorium, Monday September 12th from 6pm-7pm with a book signing session from 7pm-8pm

Lanham, a best selling author and Clemson University ornithologist will discuss what it means to embrace the full breadth of his African-American heritage, and his deep kinship to nature, and adoration of birds. Opening music will be performed from 5:35-6:05pm by local avant garde cellist and vocalist Jordan Hamilton. Registration is required for this free event at naturecenter.org

[MACC and Cheese](#)



Thursday

Sep 15, 2022 at 05:00 pm

RSVP is required

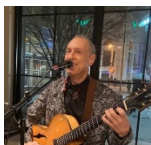
Presented by [Wellspring/Cori Terry & Dancers](#) and [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) and [Michigan Arts and Culture Council](#) at [Epic Center](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Michigan Arts and Culture Council invites you to a very special networking event. Hosted at the Epic Center in downtown Kalamazoo, this event will give you the opportunity to meet staff and board members from the state arts council as well as network with your fellow artists, organizations and patrons.

This is a free event to attend, RSVP is required. Please click on the tickets/registration tab to be redirected to a sign up page.

We are excited to get to talk to you in person!

MUSIC



[Steve Kamerling @ Brick + Brine](#)

Friday

Jun 24, 2022 - Sep 30, 2022 at 06:00 pm

Free Admission.

Presented by [Arts Council Member Artist](#) at Brick + Brine, 100 W Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI

49007

Come enjoy an evening at Brick + Brine restaurant. Steve will be performing everything from jazz standards to pop tunes with a twist on an archtop guitar and vocals. Enjoy an appetizer, dinner, or just a drink while listening to many of your favorite tunes.

[Music Week at KCC](#)



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Sep 12, 2022 - Sep 15, 2022 at 08:00 am

Free Admission

Presented by [Kellogg Community College](#) at [Kellogg Community College | Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center](#), 450 North Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49017

Music Week at KCC will run from Monday, Sept. 12, through Thursday, Sept. 15, primarily at College's Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center, on campus at 450 North Ave. in Battle Creek. The weeklong series of classes also includes online options as well as opportunities at KCC's regional center campus in Coldwater.

All classes are free and open to the public, but advance registration is required via the form online at forms.office.com/r/4WN5P996LP.

Times vary by day and activity.

[Tuvergen Band](#)



Sunday

Sep 18, 2022 at 04:00 pm

\$20 - General admission

\$18 - Seniors

\$5 - Ages 25 and under

Pay-what-you-can option available at the door.

Presented by [Michigan Festival of Sacred Music](#) at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 247 W. Lovell, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Creating a blend of ancient Mongolian melodies and idiomatic world music rhythms, [Tuvergen Band](#) is a high-energy Mongolian folk-fusion trio based in Chicago. The members are Tamir Hargana (Mongolian/Tuvan overtone singing, folk lutes, horse-head fiddle), Naizal Hargana (horse-head fiddle), and Brent Roman (multi-percussionist, didgeridoo).

Drawing upon a deep understanding of regional history & culture, each of these world-traveling performers contribute their own musical tradition. The trio combines traditional instruments and lush vocals with innovative world percussion to create a sound not heard anywhere else.

The musical experience transitions between serenity and exhilaration; an ever-evolving musical journey. Tuvergen Band invites you to join them on their presentation of "Modern Nomadic Music".

All in-person Festival events will follow state, local and venue COVID requirements. Please check our website for the latest updates!

The Connecting Chords Music Festival events center around the common convictions and threads that draw our community together: the importance of cultural traditions, human dignity, and the increased understanding of various faith traditions.

Learn more about the Festival and the organization behind it at www.ccmusicfest.com.

THEATRE

[Auditions: "PUFFS, Or: Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic"](#)



Monday, Sunday

Sep 18, 2022 - Sep 19, 2022 at 04:00 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Civic Theatre](#) at [Carver Center](#), 426 S. Park St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Kalamazoo Civic Theatre is holding auditions for their Civic Youth Production of this funny, clever and incentive play that gives a new look at a familiar adventure. Ages 9 to high school seniors are welcome to audition. Registration is required to audition. Please visit [KazooCivic.com/Auditions](#) to register and for more information.

When: Sunday, September 18 & Monday, September 19 starting at 4pm

Note: Only one day and time of auditions needs to be attended.

Performance Dates: November 11 – 20, 2022

VISUAL ARTS

[Buy Local Art & Gift Fair](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Aug 24, 2022 - Sep 30, 2022 at 12:00 am

Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#), 7000 N. Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009



KNC is taking artist applications through September 30 for

our Jingle Mingle and Buy Local Art & Gift Fair on Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3. Artists are selected for participation based on the diversity and quality of work they bring to the Fair. For details and to apply online, visit [NatureCenter.org/BuyLocal](#)

[Up In The Air: Birds Navigating The Anthropocene](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Sep 09, 2022 - Oct 09, 2022 at 09:00 am, 01:00 pm



Admission: KNC Members free, Non-Members: \$7 adult, \$6 senior, \$4 children 4-17, 3 and under free

September 10th is a free admission day.

Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#), 7000 N. Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009

This new exhibit for all ages was developed by KNC and features the work being done by KNC bird experts throughout the seasons to study the changing habits of birds. Learn about bird banding in the fall while trying out your skills in our recreation of the banding barn. Make your own bird nest while learning about the natural – and sometimes human-made – materials birds source to create their nests. Located inside KNC's Exhibits Hall, original artwork by Kalamazoo artist Olivia Mendoza will be the visual heart of the exhibition, along with displays of preserved eggs and birds.

["Gorges, Glens & Waterfalls" Photography Exhibit by Ryan Flathau](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Sep 12, 2022 - Oct 20, 2022 at 08:00 am

Presented by [Kellogg Community College](#) at [Kellogg Community College | Davidson Visual](#)



[and Performing Arts Center](#), 450 North Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49017

Flathau is a Photography and Multimedia Program professor at Kellogg Community College. The images in this exhibit were created during his Fall 2021 sabbatical to Letchworth and Watkins Glen state parks in New York and Ricketts Glen State Park in Pennsylvania.

[ARTbreak: Contemporary Ceramics and the Chinese Worldview with Dr. Andrew Maske](#)



Sep 13, 2022 at 12:00 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#) at [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

China is the origin of most of the world's most important historical ceramic advancements. Blessed with a wide range of outstanding raw materials, Chinese craftspeople developed the technical abilities to produce beautiful functional ceramics that were prized around the world. Beginning in the 19th century, however, Chinese dominance in ceramics was challenged by advancements in countries in Asia and Europe.

In the last 20 years, Chinese ceramics makers began to regain a bit of the luster lost over the previous two centuries. Innovative ceramic artists like Li Hongwei are exploring new modes of expression that not only break fresh ground but make connections to Chinese culture that are evocative and meaningful. This talk will examine some of the themes that can be found in the works of Li Hongwei and other contemporary Chinese ceramic artists.

Dr. Andrew Maske specializes in the arts of Asia, focusing especially on ceramic art in Japan from the sixteenth century to the present. He is a professor of art history at Wayne State University.

Visiting Rotarians

Lorence Wenke's guest was his wife, Rotarian Nancy Wenke, who is a member of the Gull Lake Area Rotary Club.

Guests

Jim Cupper's guest was former Rotarian Tom Stobie.

Happy Bucks

Denise Hartsough reminded Rotarians to vote in the upcoming mid-term elections in November, and reminded everyone that several voter-initiated proposals will be on the ballot.

Amy Remmert celebrated her 55th high school reunion. In addition, she recognized her sister's achievement of a long-time goal to travel to Poland to meet her ancestors and visit her homeland.

Dave Lucio is glad that he can now attend Rotary more regularly because school has started, reducing his childcare responsibilities.

Jack Hopkins thanked Joe Licovoli for his help in putting together a presentation.

Aaron Winter - said that in response to pet owners' concerns about the Parvo Virus, the Humane Society hosted a shot clinic, and 100-125 people showed up to have their pets vaccinated.

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Announcements

The Rotary Club of Kalamazoo will participate in two visioning sessions — October 5, from 5-7 p.m. and then on October 29 from 10 a.m. - noon. The goal is to develop strategies to help our club set goals for the future and to enable us to move ahead successfully. Contact President Kristen if you would like to attend/participate.

Please remember Remember to buy lunch before noon on Friday! The link to do so can be found in Annette's email or on our website.

District Raffle. Rotarian Amy said we are only about 1/3 of the way there. Please buy tickets. They are only \$25 each.

Alisa Carrel reminded everyone that Rotary Club Charities grant applications due by October 1.

Program

The program was presented by Kim Phillips, Director of Senior Citizen Services at the new Portage Senior Center. The new Charles & Lynn Zhang Portage Community Senior Center provides programs and opportunities that promote personal growth, health, friendship and independence for adults aged 50 and over. This new facility more than doubled the size of the previous facility.

It is a vital, busy facility, offering a variety of services and activities that change with the needs and desires of our members. Need an exercise class? They have several! Want to play cards? They have that too! Interested in traveling? A variety of one-day, extended and international travel opportunities are available.

The Portage Senior Center was the first center in the State of Michigan to earn the National Senior Center Accreditation from the National Council on Aging (NCOA). In 2021,

the center successfully completed its fifth accreditation application. Accreditation means the Zhang Portage Community Senior Center meets the highest standards of excellence by ensuring there are smooth and efficient operating procedures and policies in place. In addition, it demonstrates a connection to the community and measures progress against a national baseline.

Membership in the Zhang Portage Community Senior Center is open to all area persons over the age of 50. (Spouses younger than 50 are also welcome.) **City of Portage residency is not required for membership** and visitors from other counties, states and countries are welcome to participate when they are in the area.

You can ownload the [Membership Manual \(PDF\)](#) or call the Portage Community Senior Center at (269) 329-4555 with any questions.

To sign up for membership by mail, print and complete the [Membership Form \(PDF\)](#), print and sign the [Waiver \(PDF\)](#), and return them both with your payment by mail to the Senior Center at:

Portage Community Senior Center
203 East Centre Avenue
Portage, MI 4900

Adjournment

President Elect Cheri adjourned the meeting by leading us in the Four Way Test.

Future Program Ideas

If you have an idea for a future program/speaker for an upcoming Rotary Club Meeting, please send it to Rotarian Joe Licavoli at joeglicavoli@aol.com or call; text to 269-720-4399. Joe will present your ideas to the program committee.

Submitted by:

Jim Cupper