

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

JULY

2: Festival Market Music. Festival Market Square. Downtown Battle Creek. (269) 441-1668. www.downtownbattlecreek.com.

2-6: Battle Creek's Field of Flight Air Show. W. K. Kellogg Airport. Hours vary each day. Carnival, flea market, monster truck rides, air show and balloon launch at 6:30am and pm. \$. www.bcballoons.com.

3: Tibbits Opera House presents "Little Women". Musical. Wednesday 2pm. Thursday 8pm. \$. www.tibbits.org.

4: Happy Independence Day! See Fourth of July calendar for holiday events.

4: Marshall Community Band Concert Series. Stuart's Landing Band Shell. (269) 781-5163. <http://marshallcommunityband.moonfruit.com>.

4-6: Flea Market and Antique Show. Cornwell's Turkeyville USA. (269) 781-4293. www.turkeyville.com.

5: Marshall Arts and Craft Fest. Downtown Marshall. 781-5163. www.marshallmi.org.

5: Tibbits Opera House presents "The Tortoise and the Hare and other Fables by Aesop" Popcorn Theatre. 10am. \$. www.tibbits.org.

5: Tibbits Opera House presents "Little Women". Musical. 5pm. \$. www.tibbits.org.

5-6: Silver Leaf Renaissance Festival. Kimball Pines Park. 10am-7pm. \$. www.silverleafrenfaire.org.

8-31: Art of the Land of the Snow Leopard. Art Center of Battle Creek. www.artcenterofbattlecreek.com.

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10: Post Band Concert at Mill Race Park. (269) 441-1688. www.downtownbattlecreek.com.

10-12: Tibbits Opera House presents "Room Service". Thursday 2 and 8pm. Friday and Saturday 8pm only. \$. www.tibbits.org.

11-12: Taste of Battle Creek. Music, activities and food. Friday 5pm-Midnight. Saturday Noon-Midnight. (269) 441-2700. www.bcfestivals.com.

11-12: Tibbits Opera House presents "The Tortoise and the Hare and other Fables by Aesop" Popcorn Theatre. 10am. \$. www.tibbits.org.



11-13: "West Side Story". Franke Center for the Arts. Marshall Civic Players Youth. (269) 781-3335. www.marshallcivicplayers.org.

12: Arts and Craft Show. Cornwell's Turkeyville USA. (269) 781-4293. www.turkeyville.com.

12: Faerie Festival. Leila Arboretum Children's Garden. (269) 969-0270. www.lasgarden.org.

12-13: 18th Annual Welcome to My Garden Tour. Marshall. (269) 781-5177.

12-13: Battle Creek Kennel Club Dog Show. Calhoun County Fairgrounds. (269) 420-3693. www.calhouncountyfair.org.

12-13: Silver Leaf Renaissance Festival. Kimball Pines Park. 10am-7pm. \$. www.silverleafrenfaire.org.

14-19: Barry County Fair. Barry Expo Center. www.barryexpo.com.

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17: Battle Creek Bombers vs Wisconsin Woodchucks. Bailey Park. (269) 962-0735. www.northwoodsleague.com.

17: Post Band. Mill Race Park. www.downtownbattlecreek.com.

17: Tibbits Theatre Tour. Tibbits Opera House. 5:30pm. \$. Members free. www.tibbits.org.

17-20: Annual Venetian Festival. St. Joseph. Fireworks, kids area, lighted boat show, antique boat show, concerts and live entertainment. www.venetian.org.

18: Movies at the Creek. Mill Race Park. Films begin at dusk. Free, family movie on the lawn. Bring lawn chairs, blankets or sit in the grass. (269) 966-3431.

18: Vibe@5. Mill Race Park. 5-8pm. World musicians performing a variety of cultural styles. Bring your own seating. Weather permitting. Free. (269) 441-1688. www.downtownbattlecreek.com.



18-19: Tibbits Opera House presents "Jack and the Beanstalk" Popcorn Theatre. 10am. \$. www.tibbits.org.

18-19: Relay for Life. Calhoun County Fairgrounds. (269) 781-4997. www.calhouncountyfair.org.

18-20: West Side Story. Franke Center for the Arts. Marshall Civic Players Youth. (269) 781-3335. www.marshallcivicplayers.org.

19-August 16: "Mid-Life! The Crisis Musical" Cornwell's Turkeyville USA. Dinner Theatre. www.turkeyville.com.

19: 3rd Annual Pastrami Joe's World Rueben Eating Championships. Jefferson St., Marshall. www.pastramijoes.com.

19: 5th Annual Marshall Main Street Blues Festival. Downtown Marshall. Noon-11pm. (269) 727-0005. www.marshallbluesfestival.com.

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24: Battle Creek Bombers vs Duluth Huskies. Bailey Park. (269) 962-0735. www.northwoodsleague.com.

24-26: 11th Annual Marshall Bluegrass Festival. Calhoun County Fairgrounds. (269) 781-5909. www.calhouncountyfair.org.

24-26: Tibbits Opera House presents "The Goodbye Girl". Musical comedy. Thursday 2 and 8pm. Friday and Saturday 8pm. \$. www.tibbits.org.

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26: Community Yard Sale. Cornwell's Turkeyville USA. Biggest yard sale around with lots of great deals. www.turkeyville.com.

26: Soakin' Saturday. Leila Arboretum Children's Garden. (269) 969-0270. www.lasgarden.org.

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Michigan Office of Services to the Aging ASSISTED LIVING CHECKLIST

Below is a checklist of items to be considered in selecting an assisted living arrangement for yourself or a loved one.

CONSUMER RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS

Request copies of the following:

- Consumer rights policy
- Internal complaint or grievance procedure
- Policies and procedures for responding to complaints of abuse, neglect, and exploitation
- Does provider carry a surety bond to cover any resident deposits and/or provider held trust accounts?

SERVICES AND FEES

- Prices for each individual service (get in writing)
- Manner in which rates are increased (request 5-year history of rate increases)
- Conditions under which services will be terminated other than for non-payment of rent.
- Performs initial evaluation or comprehensive assessment, ongoing care planning, service coordination, or ongoing evaluation (written plan of care for each resident).
- Additional services available if resident's needs change
- Provisions for meeting scheduled and unscheduled needs such as transportation, special meal arrangements, medication management, etc.
- Availability of 24-hour assistance with activities of daily living as necessary.

ENVIRONMENT AND BUILDING SAFETY

- Building, fixtures, and furnishings in good condition
- Emergency fire sprinkling system
- Backup generators in case of power failure (provide power to individual living units, interior stairwells, etc.)
- Evacuation procedures and emergency drills (how frequently held)
- Security system

STAFFING AND TRAINING

- Training requirements for direct care staff
- Supervision of direct care staff - ratio of supervisors to staff
- Activities staff - volunteers, paid, credentials
- Regular visits by doctor, nurse, podiatrist, or other licensed health care professional.
- Registered dietician (request sample menu).
- Criminal background checks on volunteer and paid staff
- Staff on duty 24 hours a day (not just on call, but actually on duty at facility)

QUALITY OF LIFE

- Enrichment activities available for residents at various levels of functioning (request calendar of events).
- Interview current residents for their impressions of facility, staff, activities, meals, attention to complaints, etc.

HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST FOR SENIORS

ALL AREAS OF THE HOME: In all areas of your home, check all electrical and telephone cords; rugs, runners and mats; telephone areas; smoke detectors; electrical outlets and switches; light bulbs; space heaters; woodburning stoves; and your emergency exit plan.

KITCHEN: In the kitchen, check the range area, all electrical cords, lighting, the step stool, all throw rugs and mats, and the telephone area.

BATHROOM: In the bathroom, check bathtub and shower areas, water temperature, rugs and mats, lighting, small electrical appliances, and storage areas for medications.

BASEMENT, GARAGE, WORKSHOP, STORAGE AREAS: In the basement, garage, workshop, and storage areas, check lighting, fuse boxes, or circuit breakers, appliances and power tools, electrical cords, and flammable liquids.

LIVING ROOM / FAMILY ROOM: In the living room/family room, check all rugs and runners, electrical and telephone cords, lighting, the fireplace and chimney, the telephone area, and all passageways.

BEDROOMS: In the bedroom, check all rugs and runners, electrical and telephone cords, and areas around beds.

STAIRS: For all stairways, check lighting, handrails, and the condition of the steps and coverings.