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Swish Speaks

Good day to you Lansing folk! As many of you know, a greener community means a better, healthier home for you, our planet and me and my aquatic family; so it's important to take advantage of the green resources here in our very own town.

On a sunny Michigan day, visit Lansing's 11 miles of scenic and winding boardwalk style River Trail. Check out one of our stunning green spaces such as the Cooley Gardens, Fenner Nature Center, Francis Park, Harris Nature Center, Hawk Island Park, Lake Lansing, Potter Park Zoo and many more!

For local tours and events, visit The State Capitol Building, Michigan Historical Museum, Hall of Justice, Supreme Court Learning Center and the Vietnam Veteran Memorial Monument. Also, let's not forget East Lansing's glorious campus, Michigan State University. Walk along Grand River Ave. for a scenic view of the campus, delicious food and spectacular shopping.

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015N – Oakland

- Oakland is closed to through traffic between Walnut and Martin Luther King, Jr.; businesses are open and detours are posted.
- Walnut is closed to through traffic at the intersection of Oakland; detour is posted.
- Utility installation has been completed on Oakland between Pine and Walnut; road building and concrete restoration has begun this week; base paving to begin this week.
- Road surface removal is ongoing on Oakland between Wisconsin and Martin Luther King, Jr.; water main installation is complete and testing is ongoing; sanitary and storm sewer installation to begin this week.
- Sanitary sewer installation has been completed on Wisconsin between Daleford and Oakland; storm sewer installation will begin this week.
- Storm sewer installation will begin this week on Daleford between Sycamore and Wisconsin.
- Road building and concrete restoration has been completed on Brook between Pine and Sycamore; paving to begin this week, weather permitting.
- Road building and concrete restoration has been completed on Sycamore between Daleford and Brook; paving to begin this week, weather permitting.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. will be reduced to one lane of traffic, north bound only, from Saginaw to Oakland starting July 5 at 9 a.m.
- Road surface has been pulverized on Sycamore between Daleford and Oakland; water main installation is to begin in two weeks; sanitary and storm sewer installation to follow.
- Road surface has been pulverized on Bluff between Sycamore and Pine; water main installation is to begin this week.



Concrete restoration on Oakland, between Pine and Walnut



Sanitary and storm installation on Oakland at Wisconsin



Cleaner, Greener Lansing

Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA) took the Go Green! Business Pledge in 2008 and since then has incorporated green activities into many aspects of their business.

Anti-idling technology has been installed in their vehicles and old busses are being replaced with hybrid busses. In the workplace, CATA sticks to a regimented recycle program (oil, tires, batteries), utilizes electronic filing to replace printing on paper and an office bulletin board to post memos to minimize individual copies. CATA continues by rewarding others for their green efforts by offering a carpool matching system and free bus passes to their employees.

In addition to instituting internal changes, CATA reaches out to the public by working with area employers, schools and individuals to educate the community about the importance of our air quality.

“As heightened awareness continues to evolve around green activities, we continue to work toward more eco-friendly options and identifying ways that we can reduce emissions, cut down on waste and provide a cleaner and safer environment overall” said CATA’s Clean Commute Options Coordinator, Cathleen Ederly.

CATA’s done their part, now it’s your turn; purchase your CATA bus pass today and contribute to a cleaner, greener Lansing!



Non-CSO Construction Projects

- **Kalamazoo (between Larch and Pennsylvania):** Base and leveling pavement and curb and gutter installation has been completed on the north side of the road; construction will be shifted to the south lane; one lane of eastbound traffic is being maintained; westbound traffic will follow the posted detour; project completion expected by August 1.
- **Jolly (between Aurelius and Dunckel):** Project is nearly complete; intermittent lane closures will be in effect until project completion.
- **Pennsylvania (between Cedar and Miller):** Concrete work on sidewalk ramps and curb and gutter is in progress; Miller intersection will be closed Wednesday night (June 22) at 8 p.m. for curb and gutter construction and be reopened to traffic by 6 a.m. Thursday; Pennsylvania between Miller and Cedar will be closed Friday night (June 24) at 8 p.m. for paving and be reopened to traffic by midnight Saturday; project completion is expected by early July; two-way traffic is being maintained with one lane open for southbound traffic.
- **Turner Street (between Carrier Street and Sheridan Road):** Construction to begin soon; intersection of Turner and Sheridan will be closed at project start; project completion by the end of July.

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Got visitors? Encourage them to stay at one of our many “green” convention centers and hotels noted by the Greater Lansing Michigan Convention & Visitors Bureau:

- Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center
- Country Inn & Suites
- Comfort Inn & Suites of Lansing
- Lansing Quality Suites Hotel
- East Lansing Marriott
- Cozy Koi Bed & Breakfast

Catch me next time at Hawk Island Park on July 17 from 1-2 p.m., celebrating Cancer Survivor’s Day!

Summer Events in Downtown Lansing

As the summer heats up, enjoy a cool night in your favorite parks! On Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m., sit back in your lawn chair and enjoy the sounds of Mid-Michigan’s top bands. Join us on June 29 for **Flashback** (Oldies) at Quentin Park.

Looking for even more seasonal fun? The City of Lansing July Fourth Parade will be held on Monday, July 4 starting at 11:00 a.m. in downtown Lansing. Come out and celebrate Independence Day with clowns, community groups, dance troupes, classic cars, fire trucks and more.

After a fun-filled afternoon at the parade, stop in at Riverfront Park to relax and enjoy the sounds of the Lansing Concert Band. This event starts at 8 p.m. and will be followed by Lansing’s Best Fireworks Display.

For more information about the City’s events, please visit: www.lansingmi.gov, click on “Play” and “Current Events.”

If you have any comments or suggestions, please send them to Alec Malvetis, Assistant City Engineer/CSO Project Manager at amalveti@lansingmi.gov.

