

The JACKSONIAN

Consumers Energy Co.



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News for and about Jackson-area Retirees

Frederik Meijer Garden & Dale Chihuly Glass Exhibit Monday, June 15 **Deadline June 1st**



Meijer Gardens located at: 1000 E. Beltline Ave. NE, Grand Rapids

Registration begins at: 10:00am at the **Welcome Center**

Tickets Admission: \$19.00

All Day Public Tram Hop-On Hop-Off Narrated Tour: \$10.00

Lunch: On your own at the James & Shirely Balk Café

Hop-on, Hop-off public tram system, which operates on a loop with four convenient stops and allows unlimited rides throughout the day with a wristband pass. This relaxing narrated tram experience offers a unique way to explore the gardens and enjoy beautiful landscapes and sculptures at your own pace. The Chihuly installations—displayed throughout the grounds. **Scooters are also available for \$10. Renting ahead of time recommended. Call 616-974-5239**

An On Your Own Option is available for an indoor “Chihuly Gallery Exhibit” This exhibit is **Timed Entry Gallery Exhibit**. You will need to go on-line ahead of our visit to buy your ticket/time at buy.acmeticketing.com.

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Meijer Garden QR Code



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Jacksonians Celebrating Our Nations 250th Anniversary with a Picnic Honoring Our Veteran's at Weir Farms on July 14th



Location: Weir Farms 11525 Reynolds Rd. Hanover

Registration: 11:30 Lunch Noonish☺

Bring: Chair and a Passing Dish (serving 8 people)

Jacksonians Board will Supply: Hot Dogs, Buns, Chips, H2o, Plates, Napkins & Silverware

Weir Farms has been part of the Hanover community since **1943**, growing from a family dairy into a multi-generation farming operation. Today, the farm continues its legacy through **dairy production**, caring for their herd and producing quality milk while responsibly stewarding the land that supports Michigan agriculture.

On **July 14**, the board is delighted to welcome Jacksonians to Weir Farms as we celebrate **America's 250th Anniversary with a picnic**, and we are especially honored to recognize our **Veterans**. During this event. **Consumers Energy CEO Garrick Rochow** will present a **Military Challenge Coin** to each Veteran, with **Consumers Energy Veterans Advisory Panel** leading a special ceremony to honor their service and sacrifice.

Form on back to register and sign up for passing dish.

Jacksonians are encouraged to **bring your grandchildren** and **invite a CE Retiree** to tour the farm and see the **cows and calves** up close a wonderful opportunity to share agricultural heritage across generations.

✨ **Dress in your best Red, White, and Blue and show your American pride!**

We extend our sincere thanks to **Phil, Bruce, and Amanda Weir** for graciously hosting this special community celebration at **Weir Farms**.

Deadline: July 6th.

Veterans Advisory Panel (VAP) is a Business Employee Resource Group made up of a volunteer Steering Committee and General Membership that is open to all employees and interns. **VAP** provides support to former active military personnel and assist in recruiting and retaining veterans through career development.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 15th – Frederik Meijer Garden & Dale Chihuly Glass Exhibit Visit
- June 17th – Euchre at Knights Steakhouse
- June 23rd - Jacksonian Board Meeting 10:00am (4th Tuesday of each Month)
- July 14th - 4th of July Celebration at Weir Farms (Reynolds Rd., Hanover)
- August 19th – Kiple Open at Burr Oak Golf Course
- September 8th – Forerunners Golf Outing at Eldorado Golf Course, Mason
- September 9th – Forerunners Annual Luncheon at the Gilmore Car Museum 10am-5pm

Website for Retiree Information:

www.consumersenergy.com/retiree

Retirees/Recent Deaths/Newsletters/Chapter Information

Sympathy

Sympathy to the Families of:

- * Willis Therman Moss (ret. 2003)
- * Beverly Shaw Hasbrouck (ret. 1987)
- * George Hill (ret. 1996)

Sympathy to retirees/employees who have lost family members:

- * Vicky Kloack (ret. 1990) brother, Jim Reiff



**Kathy (ret. 2020) & Jeff Thomas
40th Wedding Anniversary**

Contact our Sunshine Committee Chair Jan Riede (contact info on the sidebar) with information you'd like included in the Jacksonian: **Congratulations - Sympathy - Special Event - Wedding Anniversary** (clarifying landmark anniversary dates: 25th - 50th - 55th - 60th and every year after 60).

Euchre & Lunch held Monthly – Fallon Walker

Euchre & Lunch at Knights Steakhouse at 2125 Horton Road
Date: June 17th

Time: 11:00am - 3:00pm Lunch at 11:00. You are welcome to join us for just lunch.

RSVP by emailing Fallon Walker at: fallonsstar@gmail.com or call 517-812-3806

Come join us for a friendly game of Euchre and Lunch! Beginners to advance welcome!



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Your Name (Print)

Name of Spouse/Guest

(_____) _____
Area Code Phone Number

Email Address (Print).

I will be attending the Weir Farm Picnic: Number of Adults Attending _____ Children _____

Don't forget to bring your own Chair!

I will bring a passing dish for 8 people: My Passing Dish is: _____

I am a Veteran: Name: _____ Branch of Military: _____



This is a FREE Event you may email: jedavis22@gmail.com with the information above text (leave your Name and details) or phone Joann at 517-740-0293

Deadline July 6th.

Make your checks payable to: **Jacksonians** and mail completed to Registration Forms with check to: Jacksonians, 1945 W. Parnall Rd., P21-505, Jackson, MI 49201