

# THE METROPOLITAN *dÉtroit*



## 11 Unbeatable Beaches In Northern Michigan

By Mike Norton

The late Charles Kuralt may have said it best. Bewildered by all the possible activities and attractions a visitor to Traverse City might face, the famed host of *On the Road* once confessed that he found it hard to pick just one or two things to do. Play golf? Pick fruit? Taste wine? Take in a concert? In the end, he concluded: "Maybe we'll just sit on a beach and think about this. Yes – but which beach to sit on? East Bay Beach, West End Beach, Northport Beach, Lighthouse Park, Sleeping Bear Dunes? Glorious place. Too many choices."

It's always been that way, of course. With 181 miles of shoreline on Grand Traverse Bay and Lake Michigan and 149 inland lakes, the Traverse City area is blessed with dozens of gorgeous beaches, from the endless

golden sands of Sleeping Bear to the rock-strewn shoals of the Old Mission Peninsula.

Even if we're just talking about the public beaches in Traverse City itself, the choices can still be daunting (After all, there are two bays to choose from -- urban West Bay with its parks and paths, and resort-oriented East Bay with its hotels and cottages) and each has lots of beaches to choose from.

It all depends on what you want to do and when you want to do it. Looking for a family beach with a playground, bathhouse, picnic tables and a lifeguard, a sociable beach where everybody seems to be showing off the latest swimwear, or a long lonely stretch of sand where you can walk for an hour without seeing another person? Traverse City has all of those, and more.

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## SPRINGTIME IN PARIS

### New Collections By Contemporary French Creators At Opera & Etoile

by Gay Paris

The Talents boutiques, located in the fashionable Paris Opera and Etoile districts, have just opened with their new spring and summer collections. Filled with the creations of more than 300 French manufacturers, the boutiques present a perfect opportunity to shop like the French by choosing designs that reflect their unique savoir faire.

Initiated by Ateliers d'Art de France, the largest French federation, which has been uniting craft professionals since 1868, the Talents boutiques provide an unmatched showcase of original, contemporary objects and limited series items available exclusively at their two locations.

The new collections offer a variety of visually appealing styles of home and decoration items in several categories including tabletop, lighting, furniture, and personal accessories.

From punchy pieces in a wide array of floral colors to rough and rustic wire interpretations that bridge the gap between rural and urban, the collection avoids a narrow focus. Equally as attractive are the smooth, clean lines displayed by French craftsmen proving modern fantasy is always in style.

A number of whimsical figurines are also available at Talents. For the bohemian chic, handmade croqueted items, raw leather

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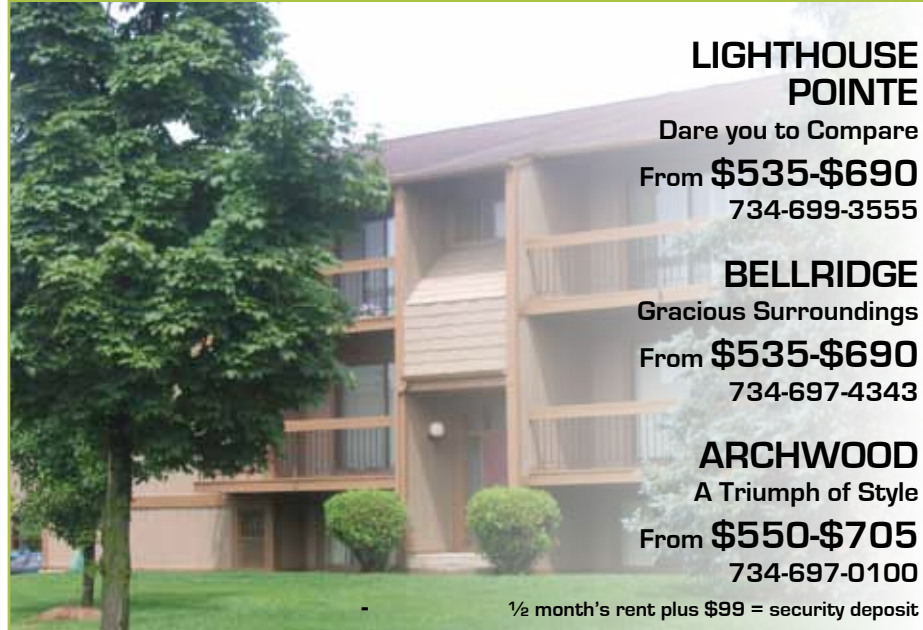
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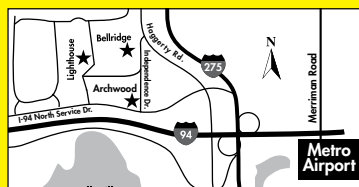
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## June Letter from the Editor

Would love to chat but I am currently on assignment in Palma de Mallorca. We'll talk when I get back.

Ciao!


Anthony Brancalone

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## JUNE Emails to the Editor

## Paper Tease

I was very lucky to visit Detroit last Jan. for my birthday. I stayed with my best friend, Claire, in Berkley. I ate at the Nip/Tuck; yes, you are correct about the sausage, it is the best ever. I loved that the people were so friendly and everyone was interested in the "out of towners". Claire has been sending me your great Metropolitan newspaper and I love it. I was fascinated by all Detroit has to offer; the great food, architecture and that amazing train station that is no longer in use. I really grew fond of Detroit when I started watching Detroit 1-8-7. Every time I would see the show I would have to e-mail Claire and ask her where this or that was so she can take me there when I come back. Your little paper teases me with places I need to visit!!! Thank you so much for the great job that you do with your paper.

Pam Fennig  
Oconocomow, WI

## Happy Accident

I just happened to go into the Heights (Woodward Heights) party store and your newspaper caught my eye. It is excellent!

Best regards,  
Terri Ross, Ferndale, MI

## Dear Metropolitan

'Glad to have discovered your publication! Both of your articles (March 2011; Concierge of Detroit & Shoe Shine Game) describe what we (Trudy & Joe) reminisced at the Guardian Building - including my shoeshine - having once worked there. We also had coffee at Stella's, lunched at The Whistle Stop (Birmingham) and the American Coney Island (Detroit).

Sincerely,  
Joe Tomczyk, Black Mountain, NC



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Warning: This paper has not been proof read! And probably never will be... Please see Letter from Editor in our November 2010 issue online.

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## WORD



## DETROIT BREAKDOWN

If I were mayor of Detroit the first thing I would do is fence off all of our condemned buildings, add some well placed indirect lighting and charge visitors an admission to enjoy the ruins, just like they do in Rome. The architecture is too beautiful to tear down and it would quickly become one of the cities major attractions. Maybe throw in a coffee stand, some gelato and wait for local artists to sketch each building, selling their work just outside the gates.

The Metropolitan asked its friends on Facebook they would do if elected mayor of Detroit and this is what they said:

**Robert De Valle** - Revitalize public transportation

**Jerry Vile** - Well let me see; huge unemployment, homelessness and a whole bunch of houses needing repair or removal. So I would throw a party with a bunch of strippers and when people found out I would have them killed - the strippers, not the people who found out. Why kill when you can lie is my motto.

**Metropolitan** - A sardonic reference to Kwame, no doubt.

**Robert De Valle** - Jerry stole my first answer. Damn him!

**Karen Neal** - Definitely find a way to get rid of Rick Snyder.

**Metropolitan** - Not sure that's within the power of Mayor but we'll accept the answer seeing that Ms. Neal is Queen Bee.

**Amy Sargent Oles** - Stop water fluoridation and bring back Indian village!

Other suggestions were 1. Tear down abandoned homes 2. Help homeless people 3. Build a wall around it and set it on fire 4. Support the new bridge (DRIC) 5. Put people to work tearing down run down houses 6. Put people to work fixing the roads 7. Revitalize public transportation 8. Stop the new bridge 9. Build a homeless Master center 10. Fix the River Front.

- Marquis d'Etroit

## JUNE BUGGIN' OUT

Maybe it was the warm, late spring breeze, or the 99-cent Sunday I was enjoying that evening, but whatever it was, I was sure June Bugs would be an interesting story.

After scouring the Internet, for a few soul-crushingly boring hours, I have found June Bugs to be a rather difficult subject to write about. I don't really have anything good to say about them. They live for 1 year, spend most of their time killing your lawn and garden, and then burst out in swarms to murder all of the trees. For nine months they are gross larvae, then annoying beetles, that dive-bomb your head as you enjoy a nice summer evening, and then they die.

However, the June bug remains a symbol of the coming of summer. A reminder that bikini clad ladies will be around, rum based coconut drinks will be drunk and Acapulco shirts will be worn.

Despite their dumb insect nature, I do have good memories of these annoying creatures. Like the summer of my youth, when my brother and I captured over 40 of the little bastards, and kept them in an aquarium until they died - the next day. Or, whenever one attacks my wife, making her scream and run in terror.

The point is there can be no good without bad. No darkness without light. No warm beach days and tan cuties without evenings that are filled with the nonstop buzzing and bumbling of those near useless creatures, the June Bug.

-Matt Counts

# NOT FEELING COMCASTIC? Neither Are We

## Part One Of A Two Part Series

by Anthony Brancaleone

There we were, minding our own business when a knock came at our door. It was the Comcast man, come to inquire about whether or not we needed cable. As I've employed the services of this company before, I knew that going with Comcast again would be a bad decision.

Twenty minutes later, there I stood with a sales order in my hand; sales slip 317421, account # 201551-3. Our sales rep, Steven M. Kliman, seemed nice enough, and with his signature and sales rep # 11 on the receipt I was confident I had made the right move by taking advantage of Comcast's 12 month introductory offer: Digital cable \$29.99 a month and Internet services at \$19.99/mo - with a fee for the modem, of course (\$5.00).

Approximately six we-s later, when our first bill arrived, I discovered that I made a mistake. Although, our contract stated the install charge was "Free Standard" we were charged anyway. Despite our high-speed Internet being quoted at \$19.99 it was now \$34.99. Then, there was the arbitrary 'late fee' and a variety of other small 'fees' not previously discussed, but anticipated, since I had worked with this outfit before.

The phone calls began with me calling the customer service number (1.877.842.6622), listening to the recorded options, following the directions carefully and then waiting for 15 to 20 minutes before a Comcast representative picked up the line. After giving my name, phone number, address, phone number again, the representative - whose name I have forgotten - stated that she had no record of me in the computer.

"Is that so?" I said. "Well, here is the sales slip number 317421 and the account number 201551-3 from the sales order, and the account number from my bill - can you find it now?"

"I am sorry, sir, but I still can not find it," she said. "Do you have the name of the salesman on the sales slip?" "Yes, I do," I said. "His name is Steven Kliman." "Do you have his phone number?" she asked. "586. 864. 5533" I said.

"Well, you are going to have to call him and have him contact us," she said. "Why?" I asked.

"Because, we do not have you in the system." "If you do not have me in the system, how is it that I currently have cable and the Internet, and a late fee?"

I called the sales rep, Steve, and left a short message on his voice mail asking him to contact the appropriate personnel at Comcast or to, please, return my call. 72 hours later, I was calling Steve again. 72 hours after that, I was dialing the Comcast customer service number, listening to the pre-recorded instructions, pushing buttons and not enjoying Comcast's new phone jingle.

After discussing my situation with two or three Comcast representatives, I was forwarded to someone's manager named Mia, where I left a voice mail asking her to return my call at 'her earliest convenience'. 48 hours later Mia called. After a 20 minute discussion, whereby I offered all the appropriate sales slip numbers, sales account numbers, phone numbers, along with my address and names of anyone I had spoken with at Comcast, Mia - who still seemed skeptical about the fact that I was, indeed, a Comcast customer - told me to Fax the sales slip to her

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## A PEARL IN PONTIAC

### PETE'S CONEY ISLAND, MI

by Z.O.R.M.

Over the years Pontiac has fallen on hard times. But Pete's Coney Island hung in there and continues to produce one of the best Coney dogs in Metro Detroit. Owned and operated by the Traicoff family for almost 90 years, Pete's hot dog has the signature 'snap' from a natural casing, and is served in a steamed bun and covered with great tasting chili. With high gas prices, it's not necessary to drive down to Detroit to experience an excellent Coney when you can get one in Pontiac. This city, named after the great

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## LAS MEXICANAS RESTAURANT

### A FLAVOR FIESTA IN PONTIAC

by Z.O.R.M.

Tucked away inside La Mexicana 3, Super Mercado, in Pontiac is Las Mexicanas restaurant - A grocery store, meat market and restaurant all wrapped into one like a nice steaming hot tamale. And amigos, this place is truly caliente, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner seven days a we-. The food is authentic, affordable, delicious and fresh. Patrons can expect only the best in taste and service when they come to Las Mexicanas. People from all walks of life sit side-by-side enjoying the homemade salsa, chorizo and eggs, tamales and chicken tacos that are accented with freshly chopped cilantro and onion. More than likely, Maria Ignacia will be waiting on you with a quick smile and friendly service, while Chuy and Jose are busy preparing some of the freshest



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## BREAKFAST SPECIAL



## THE CHOCOLATE GALLERY CAFÉ

### WARREN MI

by Anthony Brancaleone

The Good Food Fairy is alive and well and she is currently serving breakfast inside the Chocolate Gallery Café Thursdays through Sunday between the hours of 8am and 2pm. This quaint, neighborhood café is reminiscent of eastern European eateries, where quality and quantity combine to make thoughtful, delicious morning fare, all set to the delicate notes of classical music and the aroma of hazelnut coffee.

'Special Breakfasts' include Eggs Benedict w/ café potatoes, potato pancakes w/ sour cream and applesauce, chocolate chip pancakes, and the completely sinful, thick cut, Strawberry Stuffed French Toast (best w/ a side of bacon). But, it is the Café 'Special that I always find myself having; two eggs, poached medium well, bacon, marble rye w/ real butter, Café Potatoes, accompanied by several cups of hazelnut.

Omelets include the Mexican, Florentine, w/ spinach, mushroom, tomato and Swiss, the Western and Boursin cheese omelet, made w/

fresh garlic, herbs and sautéed mushrooms. Daily specials are always on the menu and, of course, the Gallery offers a variety of fresh baked deserts and sweets; Key Lime Pie, lemon cheese cake and chocolate, chocolate, chocolate.

Note: Don't allow the seductive prose from a highly skilled writer to throw you off; The Chocolate Gallery Café is to be enjoyed by both women and men - and I don't just mean my gay hairstylist, who spends his day rearranging furniture and singing along to Liza, but manly men, like me, who loves women, listens to glam rock and has a collection of English bone china tea cups on display in the dining room (in a cabinet I bought off my hairstylist).

At The Chocolate Gallery Café meals are hearty, the service is extraordinarily good and your time and money well spent. Bring the family or a date and tell em' The Metropolitan sent you!

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\*Father's Day gift idea: Every Plum Market location has an awesome apothecary so stop in and get dad something, one of a kind for Father's Day. I recommend The Art of Shaving soap, with bowl in sandalwood. (Ann Arbor, Bloomfield and West Bloomfield)



## GIZMO ROYAL OAK, MI

by Jack Doline

Gizmo is a store that you have to see for yourself. First opened in 2009, this place is nothing short of greatness. It's a record store and t-shirt store, a treasure trove of antique beer glasses, mojo pins and awesome vinyl. There are secrets here. No one's telling who the real owner is. No one's telling the exact location, either. But you can find Gizmo and its stars and stripes sign in none other than Downtown Royal Oak on South Washington Street.

If you need a new t-shirt, stop on in. If you need good tunes in your ears, stop on in. Or if you just need a good fix of your favorite early '90's Royal Oak culture, definitely stop on in. You will love what you see. Get to know Gizmo and spend a few bucks. The town will thank you, and so will Gizmo himself. Have a go in Downtown Royal Oak. The place is happening all over again. Bring back the original Javal! 'Nuff said, campers.

If you're familiar with The Asteroid #4 or Spacemen 3, then you are in for a psychedelic treat. What Gizmo could be considered is a culture that began years ago with Out of Control-era U2 and a design sense that brought to mind classic Atlas and Marvel Comics guru Jack Kirby. The used cds at Gizmo are also a true bargain, bragging the likes of Oasis, Catherine Wheel, Slowdive, The Drop Nineteens and many more. There are also freebies, including free old vinyl that includes Linda Ronstadt and John B. Sebastian, not to mention Vice Magazine each and every month.



## Paris... (cont.)

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bags and eclectic accessories are part of this season's treasures. Smooth shapes and neutral colors accent the beauty of earthy artistic pieces.

"The incredible combination of art and imagination is at the heart of each piece we are showcasing," begins Anne Moreau, Director of the Talents boutiques. "We are proud to bring together this incredible combination of original French flair and we look forward to hosting visitors from all over the world at our boutiques."

Established by Ateliers d'Art de France, the first Talents boutique opened in 2001. Now, there are two fashionable stores in Paris - one at Opera and one at Etoile. The Talents boutiques offer a unique selection of artistic pieces allowing visitors to purchase original, contemporary objects created in France. Over 300 French manufacturers showcase their work at the Talents boutiques.

Talents Etoile is located at 26, avenue Niel, Paris 75017 and opened from 11:00 to 19:00, Tuesday through Saturday. Talents Opera is located at 1bis, rue Scribe, Paris 75009 and opened from 11:00 to 19:00, Monday through Saturday. [www.boutiquetalents.com](http://www.boutiquetalents.com)

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## Airport Authority CHIEF Appointed to POLICE BOARD

Wayne County Airport Authority Police Chief Edward Glomb has been selected to serve on the Executive Board for the Wayne County Chiefs of Police, which represents more than 70 police chiefs and executive-level law enforcement professionals across Wayne County.

The five-member Executive Board leads the organization in a collaborative approach to addressing issues common to law enforcement agencies across the region.

Chief Glomb also serves on the Board of Directors of the Airport Law Enforcement Agencies Network (ALEAN), which promotes world wide information and intelligence sharing for the benefit of airport law enforcement officers and agencies, as well as the Board of Directors for the Southeastern Michigan Chiefs of Police.

Glomb has been Police Chief at Detroit Metropolitan and Willow Run Airports since August 2005. He also served as Police Chief for Franklin, MI after 11 years in the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. A Vietnam veteran, Glomb served with the 5th Special Forces Group (Green Berets) and was honorably discharged in 1970 with the rank of Captain.

## Air & Travel

## Is Your Dog Ready for Vacation?

By Carol Bryant



Throughout sixteen years of vacationing with dogs, I've heard countless numbers of fellow travelers say, "I wish we could've brought ours along!" I respond with the many travel tips and hints I've learned over the years. In lieu of visiting each of you to dish the inside scoop with unique how-to's in making Fido's frolicking as fun and fret-free as possible, sit, stay, and read a while.

### Two Must-Have Products To Save You a Vet Visit on Vacation

1. Your home address and phone number are of zero assistance to a lost pooch in unfamiliar territory. Make a temporary identification tag with hotel information and cell number to help reunite Fido with you quickly, thus avoiding checking with out-of-area vets/shelters to find your pooch. Self-serve tag making machines have popped up in pet supply stores nationwide.

2. UV rays are as harmful to pets as they are to humans, even in an air-conditioned car. Vet-recommended sun block and in-car sunshades will keep your dog safeguarded en route and during your stay.

### Three Questions to Ask the Front Desk Before Booking a Room

Ask about pet policies and weight limits prior to booking a room. Just because a travel book or website says it is so does not make it so; pet policies frequently change. Additionally, ask about pet fees and access to greenery for Fido's taking care of business.

### The One Question You Must Ask if Renting a Vacation Property

If you are considering a rental property, inquire if it will be checked for fleas and ticks prior to your arrival.

### A Five-Minute Quiz to Determine if your Pet is Road Ready

Assess road readiness with a five-minute trip around the block. Slowly increase the amount of time Fido spends in the car, making the destination worthwhile (i.e., a favorite park). Praise "getting there" with a treat upon arrival. Desensitizing and gradually acclimating Fido takes time and patience.

### Ten Items to Pack in the "Doggie" Bag for the Day

Pack a WT-WTCH (What's The Worst That Could Happen) bag, including a first aid kit, water bottle and bowl, vaccination records, current photo, flotation device (for water travelers), clean up bags, wet wipes and paper towels. Toss in an extra collar and leash in the event either is misplaced. Access to clean, cool water is an all-season must have. Prevent problems with allergy medication(s), a doggie sweater, tweezers for tick removal and a flashlight for nighttime walks.

### Products to Make the Journey a Safe One

Show some restraint in getting there (he'll never ask "are we there yet," but potty breaks are needed). Never allow your dog to hang its head outside the window of a moving vehicle, as road debris might seriously damage the eyes and sudden stops can be deadly. Travel-ready safety products including harnesses, seatbelts, pet partitions and booster seats.

### Elderly Pets Travel Comfortably Thanks to This Handy Travel Mate

Check with your veterinarian to assess your golden oldie's travel feasibility and then pack a pet stroller/buggy. These products offer an ingenious mode of transportation for pups of all ages who simply get "dog tired." The One Call to Make Prior to Traveling That Just Might Save Fido's Life

### Locate the nearest animal emergency clinic prior to leaving for your trip or ask staff upon checking in.

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## Air & Travel

## Beaches... (cont.)

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Here are a few of the best:

1. Clinch Park: It's hard to beat a beach that has over 1500 feet of sandy shore with picnic tables, lifeguards, restrooms and a miniature steam train. Prized for its proximity to downtown shops, restaurants and parking, Clinch Park is the most popular of Traverse City's many beaches. And although the area closest to the restrooms can get particularly crowded on hot midsummer afternoons, all you have to do is wander down the shore a little ways to find a quiet spot closer to the mouth of the Boardman River

2. Haserot Beach: Tucked away in the tiny village of Old Mission, Haserot Beach is still pretty much a neighborhood hangout on we-days, but on we-ends it can get pretty crowded – especially for a beach that's 20 miles from town! The attraction? A south-facing beach in a sheltered, crescent-shaped harbor that starts getting sunshine as soon as dawn breaks over the horizon.

3. Bryant Park: This most easterly of Traverse City's West Bay beaches, boasts an elaborate playground, lifeguards, restrooms and lots of grills and picnic tables shaded by tall pines. Bryant Park offers relief from the afternoon sun and a fine swimming beach where children can be easily supervised. It's also, hands down, the best place in town to sit on the beach and watch the sun go down.

4. Good Harbor Bay: The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore is crammed with wonderful, lonely beaches where you can walk for miles without seeing another person, but many of these isolated spots are hard to reach by car. An exception is Good Harbor Bay, where there are lots of places to park along the road and walk out to the beach. Once you've arrived, you can walk as far as you like, and the view is excellent.

5. Lake Township Beach: At the mouth of the Platte River near Honor, this beach opens onto Platte Bay and is beautiful in its own right. But an added benefit is the river, which rushes down through the sand dunes on its way to the lake. Kids of all ages enjoy floating on the stream and letting the current carry them out to the lake, then getting out and doing it all over again. There's a nice picnic ground with modern restrooms, too.

6. Elk Rapids: The village of Elk Rapids has two fine beaches on East Grand Traverse Bay. One is near the town's quaint River Street shopping district, with a great playground and fine views of the Old Mission peninsula across the water. The other is a 13-acre county park on South Bayshore Drive with wooded nature trails, a bathhouse, playground, picnic area, tennis and basketball courts and a fine strolling beach along the bay.

7. Peterson Park: When you visit this isolated park near the tip of the Leelanau peninsula, you begin at the top of a high bluff with splendid views of Lake Michigan and descend a steep set of stairs to reach the water. But bring shoes or sandals! This beach isn't made of sand, gravel or pebbles – it's composed entirely of rocks. Fist-sized, grapefruit-sized, watermelon-sized, in a bewildering and fascinating range of types and colors, all left by ancient glaciers and rolled to clean smoothness



by the endless action of the waves.

8. West End Beach: A small, quiet beach at the end of Division Street on West Bay, with restrooms and a small parking lot, this can be a fine place for morning sunbathing and swimming, and is popular among families with small children. But its most unique feature is that much of Traverse City's frontier waterfront was located just west of the beach -- you can still see the jagged stumps of old wharves and piers out in the water, which frequently washes up bits of sand-frosted glass and smoothed bits of planks from long- ago sawmills.

9. Volleyball Beach: Just west of Clinch Park and the Open Space, Traverse City's newest beach came into being only a few years ago when several old buildings were removed from the waterfront. It takes its name from the beach volleyball courts located here (which hosted the 2005 World Cup beach volleyball tournament, in case you were interested) and is especially popular with the young, lean and well tanned, even those who don't play volleyball.

10. East Bay Park: This park, at the city's eastern edge, is located in a quiet residential neighborhood that's sheltered by lots of majestic pines. Here there are extensive picnic areas, restrooms, a nice play area, a lifeguard station and a shallow sloping beach. But the best advantage is that there isn't very much automobile traffic nearby, and the water is extremely shallow for quite a long way.

11. Traverse City State Park: At the foot of Three Mile Road, this park offers 700 feet of splendid sandy beach near the mouth of Mitchell Cre-. Since it's a state park, visitors must purchase a vehicle permit – but there's also a roomy bathhouse and changing room and a well-maintained picnic area. Although this is the last public beach at the southern edge of East Bay, no one minds if you wander farther along what was once billed as Traverse City's "Sugar Sand Miracle Mile." Now home to several handsome upscale resorts and condo developments, it remains a wonderful place for an early-morning run or an evening stroll.

## LOST AT SEA w/ Lindsay Irwin • Journal Log 17

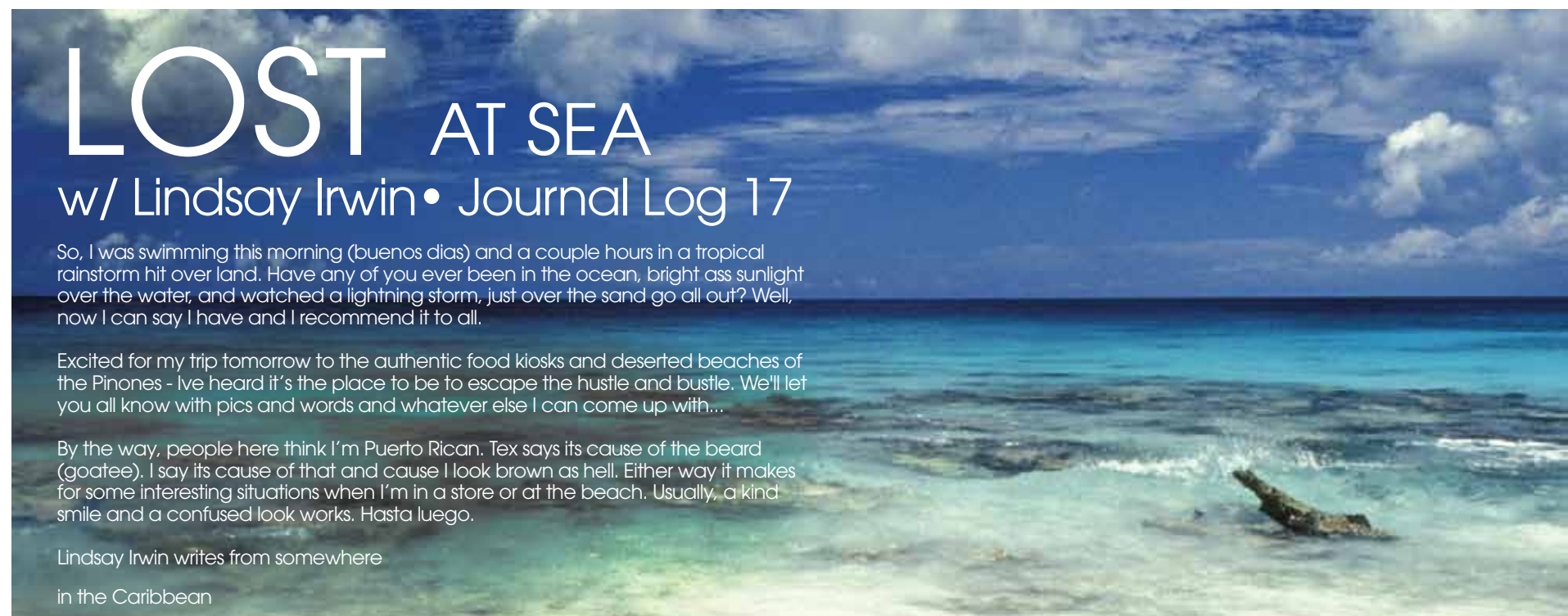
So, I was swimming this morning (buenos días) and a couple hours in a tropical rainstorm hit over land. Have any of you ever been in the ocean, bright ass sunlight over the water, and watched a lightning storm, just over the sand go all out? Well, now I can say I have and I recommend it to all.

Excited for my trip tomorrow to the authentic food kiosks and deserted beaches of the Pinones - I've heard it's the place to be to escape the hustle and bustle. We'll let you all know with pics and words and whatever else I can come up with...

By the way, people here think I'm Puerto Rican. Tex says its cause of the beard (goatee). I say its cause of that and cause I look brown as hell. Either way it makes for some interesting situations when I'm in a store or at the beach. Usually, a kind smile and a confused look works. Hasta luego.

Lindsay Irwin writes from somewhere

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MIDNIGHT  
IN PARIS

Written & directed  
by Woody Allen *by Gay Paris'*

MIDNIGHT IN PARIS is Woody Allen's valentine to the City of Lights, which he considers equal to New York as the great city of the world. "Of course I'm partial to New York because I was born there and grew up there," he says, "but if I didn't live in New York, Paris is the place I would live."

The film is the second time Allen has filmed there, after a small bit of EVERYONE SAYS I LOVE YOU. "I get great enjoyment out of presenting Paris to the cinema audience the way I see it," he says. "Just as with New York, where I present it one way, and other directors present it other ways, somebody else could come and shoot Paris in a completely different way. I want to present it my way, projecting my own feelings about it."

Allen fell in love with Paris during the shooting of WHAT'S NEW PUSSYCAT, his debut film as an actor and writer. Much like Gil, the protagonist of MIDNIGHT IN PARIS, he's rueful about not staying there after the filming, as others on the film did. "It was an adventure that was too bold for me at the time," he says. "In retrospect I could have stayed, or at the very minimum taken an apartment and divided my time—but I didn't, and I regret that."

Gil (played by Owen Wilson) is a Hollywood screenwriter who had aspirations to be a serious writer when he was a younger man. He idolized American novelists like Hemingway and Fitzgerald, and wanted to be a novelist in their tradition. But somewhere along the way, Gil left that path, discovered he had a talent for writing screenplays, and fell into a well-paid routine of work that didn't satisfy him and affluence



that he wasn't entirely comfortable with. "He found himself to be a victim of that old Hollywood joke," says Allen. "I laid down at the pool... and when I got up it was ten years later."

"If I didn't live in New York, Paris is the place I would live" - Allen

Allen originally conceived of Gil as an east coast intellectual, but he rethought it when he and casting director Juliet Taylor began talking about Owen Wilson for the role. "I thought Owen would be charming and funny but my fear was that he was not so eastern at all in his persona," says Allen. Realizing that not only could Gil come from California, it would actually make the character richer, so he rewrote the part and submitted it to Wilson, who readily agreed to do it.

Rachel McAdams joins the cast as Gil's fiancée, Inez. "Inez is very sure of what she wants. She thinks Gil's a good guy, a good catch and he's stable, provided that he keeps writing screenplays and they can have a comfortable life in the States," Says Allen: "Inez just wants Gil to make enough money so they can go to parties and raise children. There's nothing wrong with her aspirations; they're just not Gil's."

The film's locations include some of Paris's most cherished sites, including: the Shakespeare & Co. bookstore, the grounds and Hall of Mirrors at Versailles, Monet's Gardens at Giverny, Marché Paul Bert (flea market), Rue Montagne St. Genevieve (where Gil goes at midnight), as well as the restaurants Le Grand Véfour, Les Lyonnais, and Lapérouse.

"It was such a treat to spend time in these places which are usually swarming with tourists and be completely alone, with a really small camera crew, and a few actors wandering around as though

it belonged to us," says McAdams. "It was really magical."

Woody Allen has often stated that he prefers to give his actors as much freedom as possible on the set. Speaking, of MIDNIGHT IN PARIS, perhaps with a degree of overstatement, he says: "I didn't have to give any direction to anybody."

Wilson discovered that Allen likes to shoot three-minute scenes in a single take, rather than the typical way of breaking up scenes into numerous shots. "It gives you that feeling of adrenaline like when you're playing a sport," says Wilson, "you know that you have to get it right and you won't have all these different chances."

The story of MIDNIGHT IN PARIS is about unusual journey that Gil takes. He makes a lot of mistakes and missteps along the way, and his behavior isn't always admirable, but in the bigger picture he's making progress. Through his relationship with Adriana, Gil rethinks his idea that he'd be better off somewhere else, and recognizes that being somewhere else carries with it its own issues and problems.

"I think he has to find a way to be happy just where he is," says Wilson. Allen adds: "If he's going to take himself seriously, not just as an artist, but as a human being, he's better off facing reality and recognizing that the contentment and happiness and spiritual peace that is required to get through life is something that's inside you. So the movie is hopeful in that Gil comes to that conclusion that it's better not to delude yourself—even though it's more pleasant and less painful, it's still better not to."

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## Film &amp; Music

## Art &amp; Exhibition

Camilo Pardo's  
Fuel Injected

Solo Exhibition at 323East Gallery  
Opening Reception  
June 11th 2011 from 6pm - 7pm  
June 11th - July 2nd  
*by Robert de Valle*

The opening reception is free and open to the public. Due to the expected volume of attendance, 323East will erect a tent in the adjacent parking area, with music provided by Brian Gillespie, Craig Hejka and Joe Vargas.

Though some critics would disagree (or phrase it differently), cars and beautiful women are probably the two best subjects to turn to if one wishes to celebrate linear perfection. Static or in motion, they both evoke respectful admiration for engineering and a more than subtle urge for possession.

We also suspect that Camilo would agree with this observation. A talented artist who has made impressive design contributions to the Detroit auto industry, he has created a veritable catalogue of Motor City images

over the years. He also has an enviable skill for rendering the female form on canvas or on other backgrounds; this latter gift enhanced by nuances drawn from popular culture and the eternally youthful male ethos that complements and inspires that culture.

Happily enough all this will be on display with appropriate enthusiasm and decorum at 323East on June 11th. A new Camilo collection with silkscreen works on canvas, metal, found objects and other surfaces will be unveiled - plus, there'll be the added attraction of ladies adorned fashionably in designs that the artist created himself.

Our motor is running. How about yours?

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## MUSIC .....

BALANCE 019:  
HENRY SAIZ

(Balance Music / North  
American  
Release Date: June 21, 2011)  
*by Marquis d'Etriot*

The Spanish electronic producer Henry Saiz brings his unique formula to the esteemed mix series with an exciting approach. By attempting to occupy the creative space closer to an artist album, rather than a club mix, Henry has created an odyssey in sound for the latest installation, Balance 019.

CD1 explores how the power of music stores personal emotional experiences; a characteristic that Henry loves most about music. An elaborately crafted lo-fi sound, through the use of various analogue formats - cassette & vinyl - Saiz releases his knowledge of sound through a multitude of layers, sampling, edits and vocals, creating a melodic and intense experience.

Geared toward the dance-floor, CD2 has a tech-house feel, tinged with influences of House, melodic Techno, Disco and Detroit. Henry use of only unreleased productions, with exclusive collaborations with other artists, make for a fresh listening experience.

Additionally Henry's new moniker 'Hal Incandenza' is featured here for the first time and offers up some amazing productions in the form of "Little Mountain" and "Mystical Tree".

Following the precedence set by previous featuring artists such as James Holden, Agoria and Joris Voorn, Balance 019 is another breathtaking outing from one of electronic music's gifted proponents.

U2  
360 Tour

*by Carl Bookstein*

On Sunday June 26, 2011, U2 brings their massive 360 Tour to Spartan Stadium in East Lansing. The concert was postponed last year due to lead singer Bono's need for emergency back surgery.

With the largest concert stage structure ever, rising 150 feet from the floor over a gigantic stage including rotating bridges, U2 has created a powerful visual experience for concert audiences.

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*by Marquis d'Etriot*

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May 15 through June 15, 43 Vans shops are selling VANS WARPED TOUR tickets in select markets. Tickets are \$26.00 (\$1 service fee) and all tickets come in custom Vans envelopes, which can be turned in to the Vans booth at the Warped Tour show for a free item onsite. A select number of Vans retail shops across the U.S. are offering a coupon 20% off a single item and free gifts for two weeks following the Vans Warped Tour show.

Check out the full list of confirmed artists and the specific lineup for your city at [www.warpedtour.com](http://www.warpedtour.com).

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET  
Unmentionables:  
The Underwear Show  
June 10 – July 16, 2011

Detroit - The Unmentionables: The Underwear Show public opening and reception begins Friday, June 10, 2011, between 6pm – 9pm, and runs through July 16.

Co-curators Gary Eleinko and Jack O. Summers created the exhibition to see how such a subject would be interpreted from a fine arts point of view. "Underwear is everywhere, from advertisement billboards in Times Square to Lady Gaga's surreal costumes, even to the Captain Underpants balloon in the Thanksgiving Day Parade," notes Gary Eleinko. "This exhibition takes the theme in a different direction."

Unmentionables features artists with different styles working in a wide variety of media. A few artists, such as Cristin Richard and Claudia Shepard, are already recognized for creating works related to this theme, but for most, it was a first.

"We invited strong, accomplished artists to create work on this theme," explains Jack O. Summers. "Most had never explored this theme in their art before, but all were eager to take on the challenge. We will see creative, thoughtful and fun new artwork."

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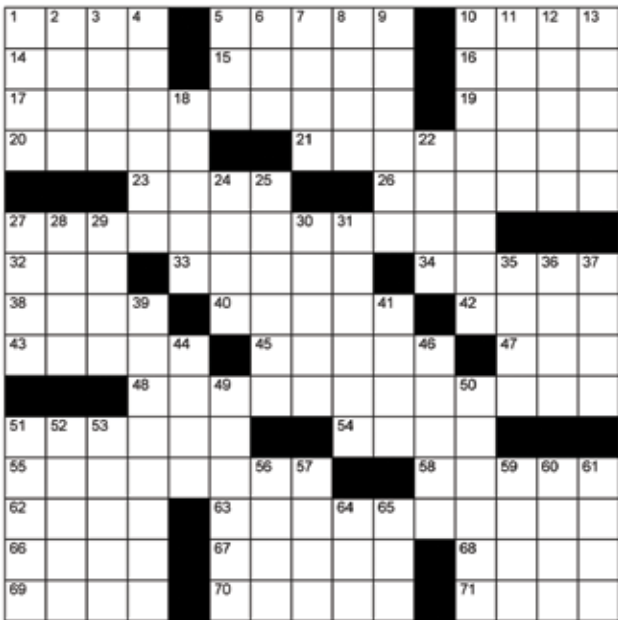
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- 17. "Make me do it"
- 19. Coin of Turkey
- 20. City east of Palm Springs
- 21. "The \_\_\_ Show on Earth"
- 23. Play the timpani
- 26. "... 84" occasion in a good quarrel...: "Romeo and Juliet"
- 27. He's on the 5,000 dollar bill
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- 45. Come next
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- 28. "Peek-\_\_\_, I see you!"

- 29. 1250, in old Rome
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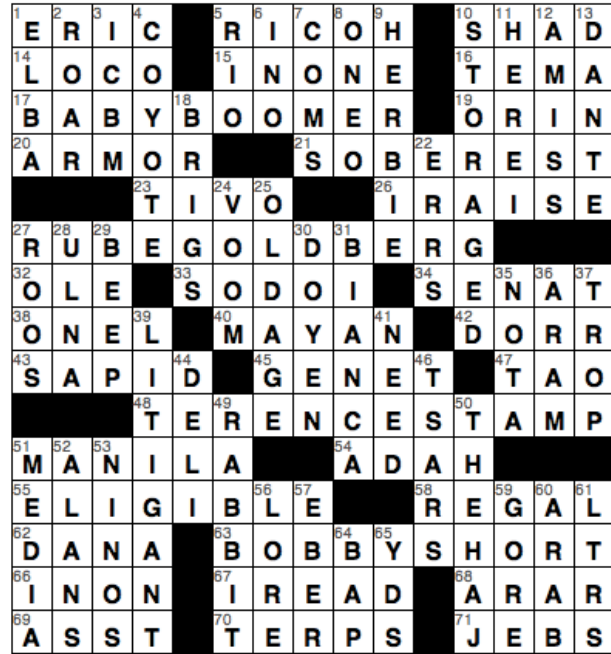
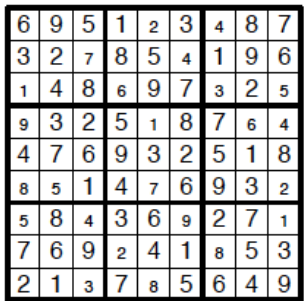
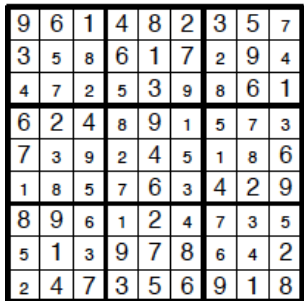


Sudoku Instructions

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9. If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

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Look for answers for this month's games in next month's issue of The Metropolitan



## Cocktails & Conversation



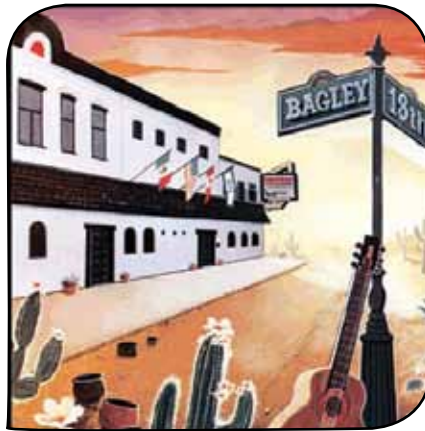
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Need a break? Wish you could catch a plane to Spain and just get away from it all? Flights too expensive? Can't find a sitter? Boss won't let you leave? Well, Sangria and the Skyclub have you covered. Serving both lunch and dinner, Sangria offers Tapas, Paella and, of course, delicious Sangria. With live Salsa dancing every Sunday, Sangria also features a live Flamenco show each Thursday, bringing the romantic plight of the gypsies' tableside through sensual song and dance. Wednesday nights are Salsa Nights at the Skyclub, located above Sangria, with dancing, Salsa lessons, exotic drinks and plenty of beautiful people. Expect lines and a full house throughout the summer but don't let that stop you - at least are aren't any security check points. Visit sangriaroyaloak.com for events and operating hours.

Are we allowed to fly to Cuba or aren't we? Seems like we still have a law against it, an embargo - still pissed about those missiles during the crisis, I guess - but every time I look around someone's just returned from that little island just off the coast of Florida. Well, save the time of having to explain how that stamp got in your passport and head to La Casa de la Habana for some of the finest quality cigars the world has to offer. Stop in for cocktails, conversation and live entertainment in the public bar or become a member of the Habana's signature private cigar club and gain access to special events, private humidor, special offers and cigar dinners. Purchase cigars, accessories or watch professional Cuban cigar rollers work their craft. With locations in Ann Arbor, Plymouth, Toledo and Detroit you are never far from a fine cigar.

Since 2005, Vincente's Cuban Cuisine has been offering authentic Cuban recipes handed down through generations of the Vazques family, as well as a few additions from their Chilean Chef, Roberto Caceres. Offering Cubano sandwiches, poultry dishes ( Arroz con Pollo, Pollo a la Diabla, Pollo con Camarones), Meats (Lechon Asado, Solomillo don Vincente, Bistec Empanisado), Seafood (Pargo al Modo Mio, Zarzuela de Mariscos) and assorted Paellas, Tapas and tempting desserts ( Flan al Carmelo, Tres Leches Cake) this Cuban restaurant es mucho bueno! Don't expect me to translate those delicious entrees either - that's what adventure is all about. Step out of your comfort zone and put on your dancing shoes because every Friday and Saturday night Vincentes' boasts one of Detroit's hottest dance floors. Aye Aye Aye! Arriba Arriba!!! Vive Cuba!

It's fiesta time in Mexicantown, which means you don't have to go far to enjoy authentic Mexican cuisine, cold beer or margaritas. Detroit's oldest Hacienda, the Mexican Village Restaurant, is more than happy to feed your fix for delicious and satisfying Mexican fare. A variety of burritos, enchiladas and south of the border steaks are ready to be served by this Detroit original. Mexican Village offers Mexican imports (Carta Blanca, Dos Equis, Tecate and Corona), Sangria and a list of cocktails (Brave Bull, Coco Loco, Pina Colada and the Tequila Sunrise) but it remains the Margarita that keeps them coming back time and again. Open for lunch and dinner, Mexican Village Restaurant - and all of Mexicantown, for that matter - is a great way to escape the mundane. Best of all, you don't even need a passport.

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## Summer Blockbuster Sequels

by DharmhXcore



### Dragon Age II

Bioware

As I've said before, Bioware owns my soul. They have yet to make a game I didn't like. And that holds true for the sequel. Dragon Age 2 takes place a few years after the blight, in a new country, with new sets of adventure. The bar has been raised and the, dare I say, epicness has followed suit.

You start off as a refugee from Lotherine, a city destroyed by the Darkspawn in the first Dragon Age. Throughout the game, you move up in status from a homeless street urchin toward becoming the "champion".

Champion of what you may ask. To be honest, I still don't know why this title is given. Throughout the game, you save the city and the continent from the brink of war, twice, defeat dragons and bang out pirate chicks. All things worthy of being heralded champion, yet there is not one moment when they say you are "the champion".

The game is also very much changed from the original. It seems that Bioware loved the setup for mass effect 2 so much they had to do it again, which I am all for. The game is completely beautiful and the music is wonderful. There are a few more loading screens than I would like, but that's a sacrifice I'm willing to make.

All said and done, Dragonage 2 is a damn good game; lots of cameos from the original, new characters to fall in love with - both literally and figuratively - and new lore to keep the D&D fanboys (including myself) occupied for 30+ hours.

A solid 8 out of 10



### Portal 2

Valve

Oh, It's you, how have you been? I've been really busy being dead. If you never played the first portal disregard that first sentence. Then think about your life. Think about how much more rich existence would be if you HAD played the first one. Then go out and buy both portal and portal 2, because it is worth it.

For me to say I died a lot in this game is an understatement. However, the fun and beautifully dark humor in the game left me not worrying about that at all. Portal 2 is a revisit to the aperture science laboratories after... something happened. GladOS is back and she is pissed at you for killing her. Let the "testing" and "science" begin. No, there will NOT be cake.

With the added bonus of multiplayer, and - rumored all over the Internet - FREE downloadable content, this game may be alpha and omega. Not unlike trying to figure out 40+ rubix cubes of varying difficulty and danger, Portal 2 delivers a lot of brain scratching and critical thinking. Not to mention the literal use of problem solving and amazing puzzles, with a sprinkle of logic.

I think we can put our past bind us, for science, and in the words of cave Johnson "Who do you think I am? I'm the man who's going to burn your house down!" All that silliness aside, this is the game that will get you thinking with portals and begging for more.

Portal 2 gets an 8 out of 10. It would have been a 10 out of 10, but currently, with none of the DLC (downloadable content) out yet, there is a severe lack of replay ability.

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**MONDAY**

**JUNE 13 | 7:30 PM**

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## RIHANNA

**JUNE 14 | 7:30PM**

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## TUNIN' IN EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TIM McGRAW AND THE DANCEHALL DOCTORS

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS  
LUKE BRYAN AND THE BAND PERRY

**JUNE 24 | 7PM**

DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

Presale this Thursday from 10AM until 10PM

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## KEITH URBAN

WITH SPECIAL GUEST JAKE OWEN

**JULY 23 | 7:30PM**

THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### PHISH

DTE Energy Music Theatre, June 03 @ 7:00 PM

### RAY LAMONTAGNE & THE PARIAH DOGS

Meadow Brook Music Festival, June 06 @ 7:00 PM

### HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS

DTE Energy Music Theatre, June 12 @ 7:30 PM

### NKOTBSB

The Palace of Auburn Hills, June 16 @ 7:30 PM

### TIM MCGRAW AND THE DANCEHALL DOCTORS' 'EMOTIONAL TRAFFIC' TOUR

DTE Energy Music Theatre, June 24 @ 7:00 PM

### KATY PERRY - CALIFORNIA DREAMS 2011 WORLD

### TOUR

The Palace of Auburn Hills, June 28 @ 7:30 PM

### MOTLEY CRUE WSG POISON AND NEW YORK DOLLS

DTE Energy Music Theatre, June 29 @ 7:30 PM

### JOSH GROBAN, 'STRAIGHT TO YOU' TOUR

The Palace of Auburn Hills, July 16, @ 8:00 PM

### JIMMY BUFFETT'S 'WELCOME TO FIN LAND TOUR

### 2011'

DTE Energy Music Theatre, July 21 @ 8:00 PM

### SLAYER / ROB ZOMBIE

DTE Energy Music Theatre, July 22 @ 7:00 PM

### CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVISITED

DTE Energy Music Theatre, July 23 @ 7:30 PM

### JOURNEY WSG FOREIGNER AND NIGHT RANGER

DTE Energy Music Theatre, July 31 @ 7:00 PM

### COMEDIAN JIM GAFFIGAN

Meadow Brook Music Festival,  
August 06 @ 8:00 PM

### SELENA GOMEZ & THE SCENE WITH ALLSTAR

### WEEKEND

DTE Energy Music Theatre, August 10 @ 7:30 PM

### DEF LEPPARD WSG HEART AND EVAN WATSON

DTE Energy Music Theatre, August 17 @ 7:30 PM

### ALICE COOPER WITH SPECIAL GUEST ACE FREHLEY

DTE Energy Music Theatre, August 27 @ 8:00 PM

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