

*Ella*

ELLA SHARP  
MUSEUM  
OF ART AND HISTORY

# Calendar of Events

## July 2008

### 4 Independence Day

**Friday, July 4 • Museum Closed**

Happy Birthday America! (and happy belated birthday to Jackson-- we turned 179 on July 3).

### 10 Learning Fair at SAU

**Thursday, July 10, noon-7 PM**

The Ella will make an appearance at the annual Learning Fair at Spring Arbor University. Stop by and visit our booth to see our demos & "make & takes."



*The Town Improvement Society... on Ella's front lawn?*

### 12 Picnic on Ella's Lawn

**Saturday, July 12, Noon-4 PM,**

**Upstairs/Downstairs Tour at 2:30 PM**

Families are invited to bring their lunch, throw down a blanket, and enjoy a summer afternoon picnic at Hillside Farm. Enjoy making some fresh-squeezed lemonade and homemade ice-cream, play croquet, participate in our horseshoe contest, and roll a hoop down the lane. Also that day we will have a special **Attic & Cupola Tour** of the house. Cost is \$15 for families, \$10 for couples and \$5 for individuals.

**EXHIBIT OPENING,  
RECEPTION & LECTURE**  
*Michigan League of  
Handweavers...*

### 13

**Sunday, July 13, 2-4 PM, Free Lecture at 2 PM**

Come meet the Michigan Handweavers whose exhibit opens today in the Hurst Gallery. A free lecture by the show juror, Pi Benio, will be offered at 2 p.m.

### 15... Summer Days at Hillside

**Tuesday - Thursday, July 15-17, 11 AM - 3 PM**

There will be scheduled activities in the Log House, School House, Print Shop and General Store throughout the day.

Activities will include churning butter, a school house experience, playing with recess toys, making fresh squeezed lemonade on Ella's front porch and the opportunity to purchase penny candy in our general store.

### 25 *Everything's Coming Up Roses!* Fundraiser

**Friday, July 25, 8-11 p.m.**

Support the Museum at the *annual* summer party. (It's a flower reference; did you expect Ethel Merman?) See front page for more details.

# 6 Meet the Director

Wednesday, August 6, 4-8 PM

Stop in tonight and welcome our new Executive Director, Chris Gordy and his wife, Susan, to Jackson. Refreshments will be available in Ella's Granary.

# 7 Edible History

Thursday, August 7, 6:30 PM in Ella's Granary, \$35 per person

Eat, drink, and be a Merriman for an evening. This is the first of four seasonal, annotated meals from the Museum archives. Each historic course will feature an explanation of what would have been available to the Merriman family in the 19th century and why and how it would be prepared. There will also be a brief slide show and talk about Mary Merriman, how she came to live in Jackson and her life living on the farm and how she raised her family. Dinner is \$35.00 per person. Reservations are required. Call the Museum for details.



*Take a House Tour on  
Wednesday evenings at  
6:30 p.m. Sit a spell  
on the front porch as  
Ella did 100 years ago.*



**REMINDER**  
Check out the great summer studios and classes for teens and adults as well as a week of One-Day-Wonders for kids. Visit the Museum website for a full listing of "Summer's Cool at The Ella" offerings.



*Enjoy those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer...*