

# Diversity

# NEWSLETTER



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## MISSION STATEMENT

Creating safe spaces  
for ALL as we welcome,  
celebrate and value  
our differences. We  
strive to listen,  
understand and learn  
from one another to  
grow personally and  
enhance our  
community.

**“What makes  
YOU unique,  
makes US  
strong!”**

## UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS

- SEPT: National Hispanic Heritage Month
- 9/16: Mexican Independence Day
- 9/21: International Day of Peace
- 9/22-9/24: Rosh Hashanah
- OCT: Global Diversity Awareness Month
- OCT: Polish American Heritage Month
- 10/1-10/2: Yom Kippur
- 10/10: World Mental Health Day
- 10/13: Indigenous People's Day
- 10/20: Diwali



# WEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY EVENTS

## **Fiesta Mexicana: Sept. 12-14, 2025**

Fiesta Mexicana is one of the oldest ethnic festivals in Grand Rapids. Community members can celebrate Mexican culture, history and traditions! There will be music, dancing, food, carnival games and more! Fiesta Mexicana is being held at Calder Plaza in Grand Rapids.

## **Pulaski Days: Sept. 28-Oct. 5, 2025**

Pulaski Days is an annual event held in Grand Rapids, celebrating General Pulaski, an American Revolutionary War hero and Polish immigrant. This week long celebration highlighting Polish culture takes place at Grand Rapids' 13 Polish halls. Community members can enjoy polka bands, a kielbasa eating contest, parade and more!

