

# NCF breakfast honors senior

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Mary Jean Brick has lived in Traverse City her entire life. She also loves the Cherry Festival, which was why she was a natural choice for last year's Distinguished Senior award. "I'm a Cherry Festival freak!" said Brick "I've lived here all my life, and I have memories going back to the 1920's."

This year she will be on hand at the Very Cherry Distinguished Senior Breakfast to hand her crown to the next senior "Festival freak" chosen for the award. The breakfast takes place Monday, July 5 and is the first of many senior events the festival offers.

"It's a great way to kick off, by recognizing an individual" said Patti De Agostino, the senior activities director. "Along with everyone else who gives service to the community."

There are many popular senior events that involve people of all ages.

"We expect record attendance this year," DeAgostino said. "There has been a lot of outreach to intergenerational events." Cherry Pins and Pizza is one of the events open to

seniors, friends and families.

"I really like to see the generations together," DeAgostino said. "It's a good way to interact with people of all different ages."

Another popular event is the Very Cherry Swing Dance and Lessons. The dance is open to anyone who loves to dance and would like to learn how to Swing.

Paul Paradis is the dance instructor for the event, and said last years dance went extremely well.

"It was great, a fantastic night," Paradis said. "It had a really great atmosphere."

Ages ranged from 16 to about 75 year old, Paradis said.

"Even if you're not a good dancer, and most people aren't, it makes for a great night out," he said. "You can enjoy live music and it's fun just to watch people dance!"

Other event favorites include the Cherry Beary Picnic With Grandparents and the Gold Tee Gold Clinic. A complete list of the senior events sponsored by Grand Traverse Pavilions can be found at [www.cherryfestival.org](http://www.cherryfestival.org)

# Be Amazed!

## June Performances

### Dave Koz and Friends

Thursday, June 17  
Grammy-nominated Dave Koz has established himself as a world-renowned saxophone player, multi-million selling solo recording artist, humanitarian, syndicated radio host and instrumental music advocate. His recently-released "Saxophonic" is a scintillating fusion of R&B, funk, jazz and pop.  
\$20.50-\$39.50, \$100 VIP, Kresge



### Sara Evans

with special guest Josh Turner

Tuesday, June 22  
In a back-to-basics country style, vocalist Sara Evans brings her distinctive power, innovative songwriting and soaring ballads to Interlochen. Newcomer Josh Turner will remind you of a young Randy Travis and George Strait.  
\$20.50-\$39.50, \$100 VIP, Kresge



### Lyle Lovett

Tuesday, June 29  
Lovett is one of the most respected figures in popular music. His six solo albums have been the work of a ceaselessly creative musician, equally comfortable in pop, rock, blues and country genres.  
\$39.50-\$54.50, \$100 VIP, Kresge



### Also Performing

Arturo Sandoval  
Wednesday, June 16

Maia Quartet  
Tuesday, June 22

Mark Nadler  
Wednesday, June 23

Tiempo Libre/  
Jake Shimabukuro  
Thursday, June 24

Madrigal Chorale  
of Southfield  
Friday, June 25

WYSO/Sarah Chang  
Sunday, June 27

Taj Mahal  
Monday, June 28

### Campus Performances

Faculty Recital  
Wednesday, June 23

High School  
Concert Band  
High School  
Concert Orchestra  
Friday, June 25

World Youth  
Symphony Orchestra  
Advanced String  
Quartet Institute  
Saturday, June 26

Faculty Recital  
Tuesday, June 29

High School Choirs  
Wednesday, June 30

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