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## Hidden Lake Gardens: The Gem of Michigan's Irish Hills

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**Tuesday, April 21, 2026 • 7:30 - 9:00 PM (ET)**  
*Franciscan Center Board Room*

**J**oin Paul Pfeifer, Managing Director of Hidden Lake Gardens at Michigan State University, for an engaging look at one of Michigan's most beautiful natural treasures.

Hidden Lake Gardens is a 755-acre public garden and arboretum in Tipton, Michigan, located about 70 miles south of MSU. Since 2014, Paul has led the gardens' operations, overseeing plant collections, curating the arboretum, and managing a team of more than 30 staff members while hosting numerous horticultural programs and events each year.

Paul will also share insights into the development of the \$1.25 million Reach for the Sky Canopy Walk, an immersive treetop experience that opened in June 2023.



**Paul Pfeifer**  
*Managing Director,  
Hidden Lake Gardens of  
Michigan State University*



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