

# Community Calendar

### St. Ignace

•Thursday, May 25: **"Legends of Light: A Michigan Lighthouse Portfolio" Program** by Michigan Notable Book author and photographer Ed Wargin, 7 p.m., St. Ignace Public Library. Free of charge.

•Monday, May 29: **Memorial Day Observance**, 11 a.m., Mackinac County Courthouse Lawn, followed by coffee and donuts at St. Ignace VFW Post.

•Tuesday, May 30: **1st Step Free Business Counseling Office Hours** at Mackinac County Annex Building, call 643-7307 to schedule appointment.

•Wednesday, May 31: **"Hospitality and Customer Service in a Tourist Town" Initial Session for Managers**, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Econolodge. To be followed by employee sessions Monday, June 5, from noon to 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., or Tuesday, June 6, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Free of charge. Sponsored by Chamber of Commerce and MSU Extension.

•Friday, June 2, through Sunday, June 4: **St. Ignace Red Hat Convention**.

•Sunday, June 4: **14th Annual Steak-Out**, noon to 4 p.m., Mackinac County Airport. \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 5 and younger. Call 643-7327 or (231) 627-6409 for information.

•Tuesday, June 6: **Mackinac County Democrats Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction**, VFW Hall, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets \$10 each; children younger than 10 free of charge.

•Saturday, June 10: **Kids' Fishing Day**, Castle Rock Ponds.

•Tuesday, June 13: **Mackinac County Caregiver Support Group Meeting**, 6 p.m., Education Room of Mackinac Straits Long Term Care Facility.

•Friday, June 16, and Saturday, June 17: **Antiques on the Bay Classic Car Show**, St. Ignace Marina.

•Wednesdays: **Women's Prayer Meeting**, 7 a.m., Hillside House Restaurant.

•Wednesdays: **County Veterans' Office Open** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 110, Court House Annex at 100 North Marley Street. More information is available from Rick Litzner at 643-9411.

•Wednesdays: **Preschool Story Time**, 3 p.m., St. Ignace Public Library.

•Wednesdays: **N.A. Meetings**, 8 p.m., Catholic Church Rectory.

•Wednesdays: **Bingo**, 6 p.m. at VFW at 1110 State Street.

•Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays: **St. Ignace Food Pantry** open for donations from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

•Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays: **Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings** Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at St. Ignace Loyola Church at 120 Church Street, and Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Straits Area Group, at 389 McCann Street.

•Fridays: **Men's Prayer Meeting**, 7 a.m., Hillside House Restaurant.

•Fridays: **Fish Fry**, 5 p.m. at

VFW at 1110 State Street.

### Mackinac Island

•Friday, June 9, to Sunday, June 18: **Lilac Festival**.

### Les Cheneaux

•Friday, May 26: **Les Cheneaux Islands Association Board of Directors and Committees Meeting**, 9 a.m., Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville. R.S.V.P. by calling (906) 484-2558.

•Saturday, May 27: **Les Cheneaux Historical Museum Open for Season**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday and Monday. Regular hours after Memorial Weekend: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

•Saturday, May 27: **Les Cheneaux Maritime Museum Open for Memorial Day Weekend**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday and Monday. Will close after Memorial Day until Father's Day weekend.

•Saturday, May 27: **Whitefish Dinner by Les Cheneaux Lions Club**, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Les Cheneaux Community Schools cafeteria, Cedarville. \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

•Monday, May 29: **Memorial Day Services led by Law-White VFW and Pickford American Legion**, 11 a.m., Cedar Cemetery, Cedarville. Public encouraged to participate.

•May: **Artists Among Us**: Featuring works by Cedarville High School and Middle School, UP North Studio's paintings, Mary Altmaier's stained glass stars, Priscilla King's paintings, and Heerspink and Porter Pottery, Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville.

•Monday, June 5: **Les Cheneaux Boat Show Committee Meeting**, 7 p.m., Maritime Museum, Cedarville.

•Thursday, June 8: **Les Cheneaux Caregivers Support Group Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville.

•Sunday, June 11: **Service of the Word for Healing**, 4 p.m., Bethel Lutheran Church, Cedarville. Public invited, call (906) 484-2820 for more information.

•Saturday, June 17: **Clark Township Free Dump Day**, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Clark Township transfer site on State Avenue, Cedarville. For Clark Township residents only. One day only.

•Monday, June 19: **Upper Peninsula and Sea Songs**, 7 p.m., Les Cheneaux Maritime Museum, Cedarville.

•Friday, June 23: **Deadline to Register for Red Hacker Basketball Tournament** in Cedarville July 1. Call Linda or Mary of the Trojan Booster Club at (906) 484-2295.

•Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: **Senior Citizen Luncheons**, noon, Community Center, Cedarville. \$2.50 donation for seniors. Non-seniors younger than 60 pay \$6. Bingo games Mondays, following lunch. Meals delivered to homebound. Call Community Center, (906) 484-1061 for delivery or lunch reservations.

•Tuesdays: **Low Impact Aerobics**, 7 p.m., Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville. Everyone welcome.

•Thursdays: **Knitting Group Meetings**, 6 p.m., Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville.

•Saturdays: **Children's Story Hour/Crafts**, 10 a.m., Les Cheneaux Community Library, Cedarville.

•Wednesdays and Thursdays: **Les Cheneaux Sportsman's Club Trap Shooting** until dusk; trap and clay shooting Sundays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the clubhouse east of Cedarville. The public is welcome.

### Engadine

•Sunday, May 28: **Memorial Day Observance** led by Bouchard-Raski VFW and Fenely McNeil Nesbit American Legion, 1:30 p.m., Mill Pond Park.

### Rudyard

•Tuesday, May 30: **New Dawn Christian Family Music Concert**, 7:30 p.m., St. James Lutheran Church.

•Wednesdays: **Preschool Story Time**, 10 a.m. at Turner-Howson School Library. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Strongs

•Mondays: **Non-smoking Bingo Games** at Strongs Town Hall on M-28, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

### Pickford

•Monday, May 29: **Memorial Day Services led by Pickford American Legion and Law-White VFW**, 10 a.m., Glen Gough Memorial Park, Pickford. Public encouraged to participate.

### Goetzville, Raber

•Sundays: **Raber AmVets Auxiliary Bingo**, 6 p.m., Raber

Township Hall, Goetzville.

### DeTour

•Saturday, June 3: **Square Dance**, 7 p.m., DeTour Village Hall, \$5 per person. All adults welcome, regardless of dancing experience. Sponsored by Detour Area Senior Citizens Club.

•Saturday, June 10: **One-Day Fishing Derby**. Call Gary Dudeck for information at (906) 297-2400.

### Sault Ste. Marie

•Wednesday, May 24: **Program of "Legends of Light: A Michigan Lighthouse Portfolio"** by author and photographer Ed Wargin, 7 p.m., Bayliss Public Library. Free of charge.

•Saturday, May 27: **Chippewa County Democrats Monthly**

Meeting, 10 a.m., Country Kitchen Restaurant.

•Wednesday, June 28: **Chippewa County Caregivers Support Group Meeting**, 2 p.m., Avery Square Center, 510 Ashmun Street.

### Mackinaw City

•Monday, June 5: **Deadline for Nonprofit Grant Applications** to Chamber of Commerce Booster Committee. Open to Mackinaw City and Straits of Mackinac communities. Applications available by calling (231) 436-5574.

•Thursday, June 8: **Principles of Customer Service Excellence for Front Line Employees**, presented by Bill Quiseng, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Mackinaw Theater in Mackinaw Crossings. \$15 for Mackinaw City Chamber mem-

bers or \$20 for non-members. Register by June 4 by calling (231) 436-5574.

•Saturday, June 10, and Sunday, June 11: **Big Mac Shoreline Spring Scenic Bike Tour**. Participants depart between 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Saturday from Mackinaw City High School. For more information or to register, call Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce at (888) 455-8100.

To submit your group's information for consideration in this space, fax information including complete date, time, and location to (906) 643-9122 or call The St. Ignace News at (906) 643-9150. Please submit information at least two weeks prior to scheduled event.

## Straits Area Attractions Voted 'Michigan's Best'

Camping, enjoying attractive scenery, and visiting Mackinac Island were the top three reasons readers of *The Detroit News* said they travel north in a reader poll of more than 105,000 ballots mailed in to the newspaper in a "Michigan's Best 2006" contest.

Suzy's Pasties, Bessie's Pasties, and Manley's Fish Market were among St. Ignace businesses voted at the top of their categories by *The Detroit News* readers. The Mackinac Bridge was voted the Best Michigan Landmark, and a number of Mackinac Island establishments took top places.

The following Mackinac Island establishments were listed in a special insert of the Wednesday, May 10, issue of *The Detroit News*:

Mackinac Island took first place as the Best Biking Community in Michigan.

Mackinac Island Marina was voted first place as the Best Marina in Michigan.

Mustang Lounge took first place and Pink Pony Bar and Grill took second place as the Best Place to Kick Back and Shoot the Breeze.

The Pink Pony Bar and Grill

took first place and the Mustang Lounge took second place as the Best Place to Experience a Small Midwestern Town's Night Out.

Michigan Point Resort was ranked second place as the Best Workout Spot.

The Mackinac Bridge was first place and Round Island Lighthouse was third place as the Best Michigan Landmark. Second place went to the Pictured Rocks.

Wawashkamo Golf Club was voted second place as the Best Public Golf Course in Michigan.

Cottage Inn was voted first place and Metivier Inn was voted third place as the Best Cozy Bed and Breakfast.

The Key Hole Bar in Mackinaw City took first place for the Best Restaurant to Stop on Your Long Journey North.

Suzy's Pasties in St. Ignace received first place for Best Pasties and Bessie's Homemade Pasties in St. Ignace received third place.

Mackinac Island dominated the Best Fudge Shop category, with JoAnn's Fudge ranking in first, Ryba's Fudge in second, and Murdick's Fudge Kitchen in third.

Manley's Fish Market in St.

Ignace took second place for the Best Beef Jerky.

In the Best Ferry to Mackinac Island category, first place went to Arnold Transit Co. Mackinac Island Ferry, second went to Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry, and third place went to Star Line Mackinac Island Ferry.

Round Island Lighthouse took first place and Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse in Mackinaw City took third place in the Best Lighthouse category.

The Island took third place as the Best Reason for Going Up North. First place went to camping and second place went to scenery.

Thunder Falls Family Water Park in Mackinaw City took third place for the Best Water Park.

Hotel Iroquois took second place and The Harbor View Dining Room took third place for the Best Restaurant Overall.

Amy Carducci from Horn's Gaslight Bar took third place for the Best Bartender.

Yankee Rebel Tavern received second place for the Best Hidden Hangout.

Horn's Gaslight Bar took third place for Best Photos on Bar Walls.

## Public Meeting Calendar

Following is a schedule of open public meetings. This listing is for governmental and similar entities. Meetings of social and civic groups that are open to the public are listed in the Community Calendar.

### Wednesday, May 24

•Mackinac Island City Council, 5 p.m., Community Hall

### Thursday, May 25

•Mackinac County Board of Commissioners, 2 p.m., Court House

•Mackinac Island Public School Board of Education, 6 p.m., Island School

### Tuesday, May 30

•Mackinac County Road Commission, 1:30 p.m., Portage Township Hall

### Wednesday, May 31

•Hendricks Township Board of Trustees, 7:30 p.m., Township Hall

## Red Letter Days

Major Community Events in the Coming Year

### June 2006

•St. Ignace Red Hat Convention, June 2 - 4.

•Lilac Festival, June 9 - 18, Mackinac Island

•Kids' Fishing Day, June 10, St. Ignace

•Antiques on the Bay Classic Car Show, June 16 - 17, St. Ignace

•St. Ignace Car Show Weekend, June 22 - 24

### August 2006

•Les Cheneaux Antique Wooden Boat Show & Festival of Arts, August 12, Hessel

•Straits of Mackinac

Underwater Treasure Hunt, August 13, St. Ignace

•St. Ignace Salmon Derby, August 25 - 27

### September 2006

•Arts & Crafts Dockside, September 2 - 3, St. Ignace

•Labor Day Mackinac Bridge Walk, September 4

•Mackinac Island Road Race, September 9

•On the Waterfront Toy Car Show & Swap Meet, September 16 - 17, St. Ignace

•Richard Crane Memorial Truck Show, September 16 - 17, St. Ignace

## DEADLINES



**ADVERTISING**  
Display Ads - 5 p.m. Friday  
Classified - 1 p.m. Monday

**NEWS ITEMS and SOCIAL NOTES**  
1 p.m. Monday

**LETTERS to the EDITOR**  
Noon Monday

**OBITUARIES**  
Noon Tuesday

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### POLICIES

• News of public meetings and events is printed without charge. Submissions a week in advance are advisable.

• Letters to the editor must be signed and include address and phone number. Names are withheld only in exceptional circumstances. Thank you letters are required to be placed as paid personal notes.

• Wedding photos will be printed only within 45 days after ceremony.

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## OBSERVER Crossword

Find the Solution to Last Week's Puzzle on the Classified Pages.