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Upper Harbor breakwall
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Dennis' Blog

This month, this space is reserved for the final of three pieces focusing on the DLP project. Below, City of Marquette Director of Community Development Dennis Stachewicz (pictured at right) describes the planning process and associated administrative actions supporting the project. Comments or questions can be directed to (906) 225-0425 or dstachewicz@mqcty.org.



On Sept. 8, 2014, the Marquette City Commission approved and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Duke LifePoint (DLP). The agreement spells out commitments to facilitate the construction of a new regional medical center in downtown Marquette on the former Roundhouse Property and on the adjacent Municipal Service Center property. As the community embraces the excitement of the moment, one may ask "when will we see a hospital and how will this affect the downtown?" Hopefully, I can use this space to address those questions to an extent.

For a developer, such a large-scale project has an extreme number of moving parts, including a Purchase Agreement, a State of Michigan Certificate of Need and State approval of a Brownfield Plan (most importantly, this provides financing). In addition, there is a large amount of planning and design work related to transportation, infrastructure and the actual medical campus. Of course, there is the need for local and State permits, as well as constant construction coordination.

That said, much of that is already in motion. A purchase and sales agreement is being negotiated and the Marquette Brownfield Redevelopment Authority drafted an Act 381 Brownfield Plan, and on Feb. 24, the State gave a key approval to that plan. This means that as DLP constructs the new hospital and adds value to the property, the Brownfield Authority will be able to capture the increase in taxes. These funds will be used to offset some costs of development, including those related to infrastructure improvement and to relocating the Municipal Service Center. City CFO Gary Simpson spoke to this at length in the previous blog, but it's worth highlighting, as the tax capture helps in the Economics of Place.

In the meantime, DLP has been meeting monthly with permitting agencies from the City, County and State, and has begun drafting plans for a new hospital. Included in this planning process is the responsibility of the City to design infrastructure upgrades, and to work with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to ensure that a proper transportation planning and design process results in the best transportation alternatives for the development. It is anticipated the hospital design will soon reach the stage where DLP will seek community input, request a Certificate of Need from the State of Michigan, and begin seeking permit approvals. Meanwhile, the City, MDOT and the FHWA continue to navigate the community transportation planning process.

So when will we see a new hospital? Given the above, one would be led to believe that construction is a long ways off, however, the professionals that work in the engineering, planning, trades and construction business are fluent in ensuring all moving parts work together, and construction could begin on the hospital prior to the end of the year. Although this development seems complicated, there is undoubtedly an end game with a positive net effect on the community, specifically the downtown and former hospital campus districts.

In the 21st Century, people choose to settle in places that offer the amenities, social and professional networks, resources and opportunities to support thriving lifestyles. Likewise, communities attempt to attract and retain talent – especially young, knowledge-based talent – by focusing on how best to take advantage of their unique assets. Therefore, retaining DLP in the City of Marquette becomes a vital part of our comprehensive economic development strategy.

The new hospital adjacent to downtown will retain employment by DLP, and will provide opportunity for growth in the form of "indirect" jobs. These are not offered by DLP, but stem from the new hospital location and include jobs in retail, restaurant, hospitality, construction, transportation, and education fields, among others.

Combine the assured investment by DLP with the SmartZone strategy, as well as burgeoning opportunities that will be facilitated through adaptive re-use of the existing hospital, and you have a great prospects for the community. Through Brownfield tax capture, this process will also allow for key infrastructure improvements. For instance, the intersection at Grove Street and U.S. 41 has been identified as one of the more dangerous intersections on US-41 in Marquette County.

This process is complicated and will take time to begin really taking shape, but it is important to realize that since September, much effort has been devoted to planning related to the new hospital. All parties remain committed to moving forward in a positive manner, and in compliance with the MOU, which established that first broad framework.



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City Commission Meetings

The Commission usually meets the second and last Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chambers at 300 W. Baraga Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Citizens are invited to attend.

Regular Meetings:

- Monday, March 9, 2015, 7 p.m.**
- Monday, March 30, 2015, 7 p.m.**
- Monday, April 13, 2015, 7 p.m.**
- Monday, April 27, 2015, 7 p.m.**

Meetings are televised on local (Charter Cable) Channel 191. Additional meetings may be called, and changes may be made in accordance with the City Charter. Notices will be posted for such changes in compliance with Public Act 267 of 1976.

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Interested in serving your community?

The City of Marquette has several openings for various volunteer advisory boards and committees.

Check out the City of Marquette's website for the most up-to-date vacancy information, and for an application:

www.mqtcty.org/government.php

- Aging Services Advisory Committee—Five openings
- Arts and Culture Advisory Committee—Two openings
- Board of Review—One opening
- Board of Zoning Appeals—One opening
- Harbor Advisory Committee—One opening
- Local Development Finance Authority—One opening
- Local Officers Compensation Commission—Three openings
- Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Advisory Board—One full-member opening and one alternate opening
- Marquette Housing Commission—Two openings
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board—Two openings
- Planning Commission—Four openings
- Police/Fire Pension Board—One opening
- Sister City Advisory Committee—Six openings
- Traffic-Parking Advisory Committee—Four openings

Winter Hours at City Hall

City Hall offices open at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. , Monday - Friday. For operating hours of all City departments and facilities, please visit our website at www.mqtcty.org/contact-us.php

Holiday Closure

City offices located at Marquette City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Ave.; the Lakeview Arena, 401 E. Fair Ave.; the Marquette Arts & Culture Center, 217 N. Front St. (Peter White Public Library); and the Municipal Service Center, 850 W. Baraga Ave. will be closed on Friday, April 3, for Good Friday.

The Fire, Police and Public Works and Utilities Departments will remain open and staffed during these times.

Manager Open Office Hours

City Manager Bill Vajda holds community office hours on the second Wednesday of each month, from 10 a.m. until noon in the main floor conference room of the Peter White Public Library.

The next community office hours sessions are scheduled for March 11 and April 8.

The meeting is intended to provide an informal opportunity to discuss issues within the community, and to give citizens the opportunity for direct dialogue with City staff about interests and concerns.

Community Master Plan Draft Completed

The Marquette City Planning Commission and Marquette Community Development Department are pleased to announce that a draft of the updated Community Master Plan (CMP) has recently been completed. The project to update the Master Plan was launched in May of 2012 with a series of six public visioning workshops and a photo contest.

The updated CMP contains completely new recommendations for the improvement and maintenance of a wide variety of community assets and other elements, including housing, land use, transportation, waterfront activity, community services, the natural environment, public health, arts and culture and heritage preservation.

Most likely, the Planning Commission and City Commission will soon hold a joint work session in order to review the draft of the CMP. This meeting will be announced through the media and on the City's website at www.mqtcty.org.

Once released to the public, the document will be available for viewing at the Peter While Public Library, Northern Michigan University's Olson Library, Marquette City Hall (300 W. Baraga Ave.), and online at mqtcty.org/plan-community.php.

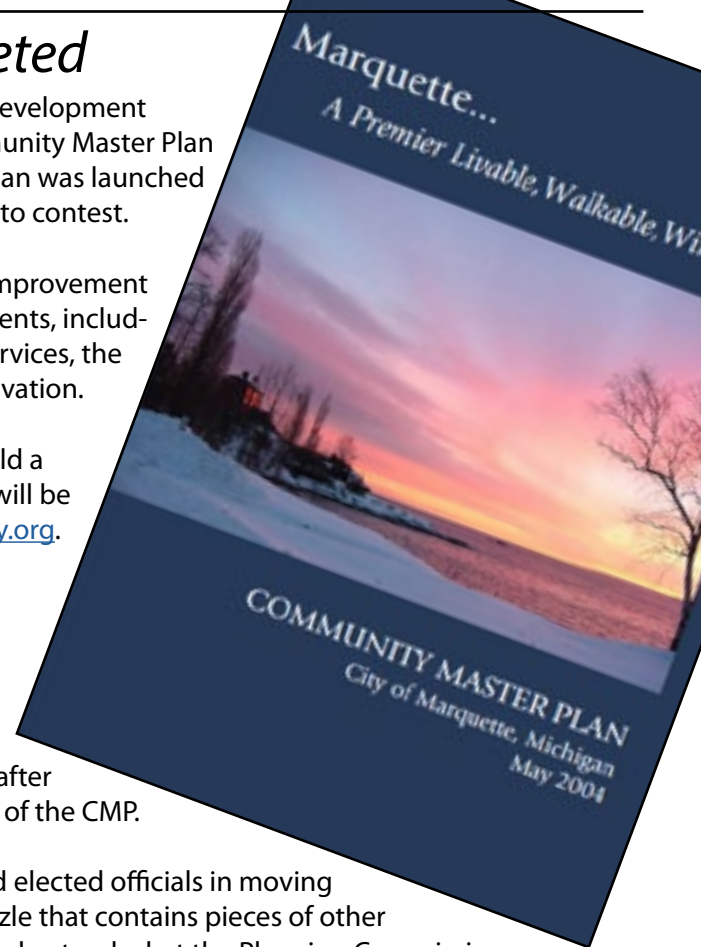
There will be a period during which public comments will be accepted; after the comment period, a public hearing will be held to consider adoption of the CMP.

"The Community Master Plan is the principal resource for appointed and elected officials in moving our City forward," City Planner Dave Stensaas said. "It is a completed puzzle that contains pieces of other important guiding information, and it is organized so that it is easy to understand what the Planning Commission found is important to the people of Marquette. And it is the foundation on which the health, safety and general welfare of the community are protected via the land use ordinances that the City upholds."

The most recent plan (pictured inset) was adopted in 2004.

The Planning Commission meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. in City Hall, and their agenda is available from the Community Development office and the City's website.

If you have any questions or would like to be placed on a notification list for the public comment period and the public hearing, please contact the Planning Division at City Hall, by phone at 906-225-8103, or via email at planner@mqtcty.org.



Downtown Spring Open: "Twisted Tea Off" Scheduled for April 25

The second annual Downtown Spring Open: Twisted Tea Off miniature golf tournament will be held on Saturday, April 25, from noon to 5 p.m. in Marquette's Downtown District. Proceeds from the event will benefit The Janzen House, a non-profit organization in Marquette that offers low-income housing for males.

Teams of four will compete for cash and prizes as they travel from hole to hole throughout Marquette's Downtown District. The cost to participate is \$25 per person and participants must be at least 21 years of age.

The registration fee provides participants with a complimentary drink token, food, shuttle service and access to 9+ holes of miniature golf.

A registration form and more information will be available beginning mid-March on the Marquette Downtown Development Authority's website, www.downtownmarquette.org.

The event is sponsored by the Marquette Downtown Development Authority, Double Trouble DJs and Bayside Beverage.



Lakeview, Marquette, Looking for 2015 Hockeyville Title

Lakeview Arena is in the running to be named Hockeyville USA! Hockeyville USA is a spirit competition that shows pride in our local hockey and figure skating communities and one that could result in some pretty neat prizes, like \$150,000 worth of arena upgrades, the honor of hosting an NHL exhibition game and the title of Hockeyville USA.

Through March 18, residents can make their voices heard by telling their stories and nominating Lakeview Arena. Each nomination is a short written statement (2,500 characters or less) about what Lakeview Arena (and hockey or skating) means to the author, and to the community.

The nomination process is very simple:

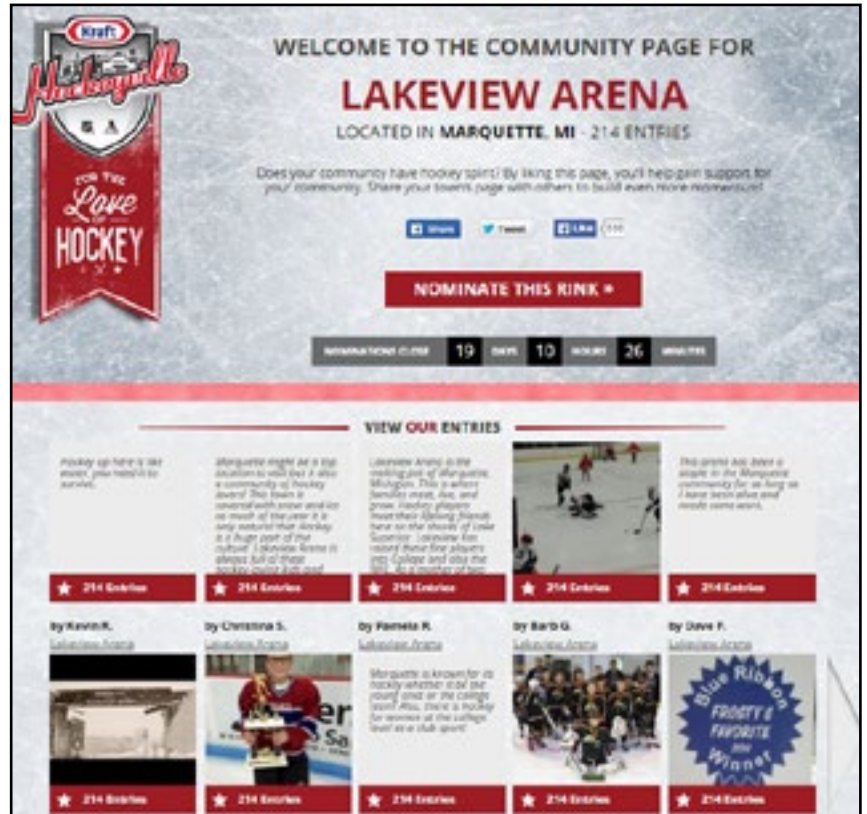
- 1: Go to www.krafthockeyville.com.
- 2: Click "Find My Rink" and search for "Lakeview Arena" and select the appropriate option.
- 3: Click "Nominate This Rink." At this point, you'll also need to register for an account.
- 4: After logging in, simply share your story. You can also add photos if you'd like.

Each submission is reviewed within 24 hours and judges evaluate each submission, rating it based on creativity/originality, community spirit and a passion for hockey. You are allowed (and, of course, encouraged) to enter three submissions.

The initial nomination period ends March 18, the night of the annual Pigs-n-Heat Charity Hockey Game. Judges will then select the top 10 nominations, which will then move on to online voting rounds, which will begin April 14.

This is a great opportunity not just for Marquette hockey and figure skating, but for Lakeview Arena, a community center that has been proven invaluable to the Marquette area. Marquette, and Lakeview, has a rich tradition and history of hockey.

Our story needs to be told!



Fans can start the short process to nominate Lakeview Arena for the title of Hockeyville USA by going to www.krafthockeyville.com.



2014 Real Property Tax Season Closed

The 2014 Tax Season is closed for City tax collection of real property taxes. Delinquent tax payments are to be made to the County Treasurer, at 234 W. Baraga Ave., Marquette, MI 49855. Additional penalties will apply.

Personal property taxes (business) will continue to be collected by the City at 300 W. Baraga Ave.

Recall Alert from Marquette Fire Department: Kidde Extinguishers

Kidde has issued a recall of disposable plastic fire extinguishers, due to a failure to discharge. Following is a recall summary, via the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. more information is available online here: <http://1.usa.gov/16XmDwm>.

Name of Product: Kidde plastic valve disposable fire extinguishers.

Hazard: A faulty valve component can cause the disposable fire extinguishers not to fully discharge when the lever is repeatedly pressed and released during a fire emergency, posing a risk of injury.

Remedy: Replace. Consumers should immediately contact Kidde for a replacement fire extinguisher.

Consumer Contact: Kidde toll-free at (855) 283-7991 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or online at www.kidde.com — click on Safety Notice for more information.



Additional Recall Details

Units: About 4.6 million units in the U.S. and 175,000 in Canada.

Description: This recall involves 31 models of Kidde disposable fire extinguishers with Zytel® black plastic valves. The recalled extinguishers are red, white or silver and are either ABC or BC rated. The ratings can be found to the right of the nameplate. Manufacture dates included in the recall are July 23, 2013 through Oct. 15, 2014. A 10-digit date code is stamped on the side of the cylinder, near the bottom. Digits five through nine represent the day and year of manufacture in DDDYY format. Date codes for recalled units manufactured in 2013 are XXXX 20413 X through XXXX 36513 X and 2014 are XXXX 00114 X through XXXX 28814 X. A nameplate affixed to the front of the fire extinguisher has one of the following model numbers: 10BC; 1A 10BC; 1A 10BCW; 2A10BC; 5BC; 5BCW; FA10G; FA110; FA5B; FC10; FC110; FC5; FH/RESSP; FX10; FX10BC; FX10K; FX210; FX210R; FX210W; FX340GW; FX340SC; FX5II; KFH Twin; M110 Twin; M5 Twin; Mariner 10; Mariner 110; Mariner 5; Mariner 5 G; RESSP; XL 5MR

Incidents/Injuries: Kidde has received 11 reports of the recalled fire extinguishers failing to discharge as expected. No injuries have been reported.

Sold at: Home Depot, Menards, Walmart and other department, home and hardware stores nationwide, and online from August 2013 through November 2014 for between \$18 and \$65, and about \$200 for model XL 5MR. **Importer:** Walter Kidde Portable Equipment Company Inc., of Mebane, North Carolina

Manufactured in: Mexico.

CPSC Consumer Information Hotline

If you have questions about a recall, call 800-638-2772 (TTY 301-595-7054).

Operators are available from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET; Messages can be left anytime.

Call to get product safety and other agency information and to report unsafe products.



Please Ensure Winter Access to Water Meters

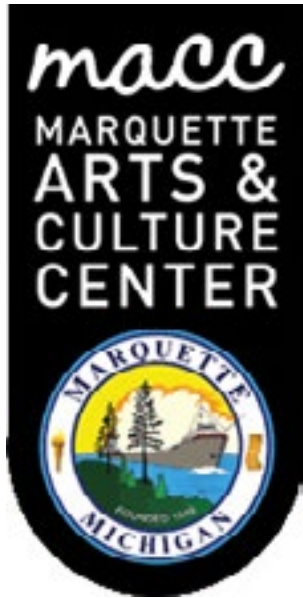
Please take an extra few minutes to clear a path to your touchpad (shown below) as you snowblow, shovel, or plow your home or business. The meter readers must physically touch the center of the touchpad with their electronic equipment to properly read the meter.



Otherwise, the reading must be estimated for the billing until an actual reading can be obtained.

If your meter is located behind a gate that is normally kept locked or becomes snowed in during the winter, please call the Billing Clerk at (906) 228-0420 to have your touchpad relocated.

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center is located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front St. in Marquette. For more information or questions on any of the articles on this page or the following, please call 906-228-0472 or email arts-culture@mqcty.org.



First Thursday Series: Lonberg-Zerang Duo

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center presents the Chicago-based band, The Lonberg-Zerang Duo on Thursday, March 5 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend this free concert held in the Community Room of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front Street.

This duo has been playing together for 15 years. Comprised of Fred Lonberg-Holm on cello, and Michael Zerang on drums, they perform improvised and experimental music. As a duo, they have performed throughout America and Europe including in Germany, Poland, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland and Canada.

They will host a workshop at Northern Michigan University's Reynold's Recital Hall on Friday, March 6 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. This free event is sponsored by NMU's Music Department.



The Lonberg-Zerang Duo will play on Thursday, March 5 in the Community Room of the Peter White Public Library



"Jazz in the Abstract" Painting Workshop Set for March 26

Can you hear color? Can you see music? For critically and nationally acclaimed jazz vocalist Kathy Kosins, it comes naturally.

Her "Jazz in the Abstract" painting workshop will be held on Thursday, March 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. The cost is \$50.

This class is an exercise in creativity and is open to students of all disciplines...art, theater, dance and music.

It is helpful but not required for a student to have painting experience. Students will paint to the jazz music of several artists. The focus will be on the freedom of expression in the abstract, using texture and colors for guidance.

Students will paint totally from intuition in acrylic, pastels or watercolor.

They are given specific guidelines, such as putting on canvas or paper what they are hearing. They are encouraged to "hear in color" and to "listen for shape inspiration."

Supply list: For acrylics - paints, canvases (square or rectangle, 10 inches by 10 inches, 9 inches by 12 inches or larger), bristle and foam brushes, palette knives. For watercolors - mounted paper, watercolor paints and brushes, your usual supplies. Pastels - mounted pastel paper and assorted pastels, your usual supplies. General - rags or paper towels, water containers, apron or gloves if needed, easel if you use one.

For more information or to register, contact Michele Tuccini at 906-250-7364 or mtuccini@chartermi.net or mail form to Michele Tuccini, 134 Ridgewood, Marquette 49855 checks payable to Michele Tuccini.

For a full schedule of upcoming opportunities, events and workshops, see page 10!

First Thursday Series: Nick Adams and the Aral Sea Divers

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center presents local band Nick Adams and the Aral Sea Divers on Thursday, April 2 at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend this free concert held in the Community Room of the Peter White Public Library, located at 217 N. Front Street.

Nick Adams and the Aral Sea Divers were formed in the spring of 2014 by guitarist/vocalist Aaron O'Brien. The group creates a distinct style that combines elements of the swing, Dixieland, blues, big band, ragtime and gypsy jazz of the 1920s and 30s. The band members consist of Roscoe Schieler on trombone, Audra Hagan on clarinet, Zac Ott on drums, Lucas LaFave on upright bass and Matt Mitchell on violin. They play frequently in the Marquette region at a variety of establishments that range from retirement homes to breweries and everywhere in between.

For more information or questions, call 906-228-0472 or email arts-culture@mqtcty.org.

Last Chance to Nominate for the 19th Annual Art Awards

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center is welcoming citizens to anonymously nominate deserving members of the community to be considered for the 2015 Annual Arts Awards. The MACC offers these awards to recognize and thank citizens who have demonstrated artistic excellence or have made significant contributions to awareness of arts in our community.

Nominations for the 19th Annual Art Awards are being accepted for the following categories:

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| Arts Volunteer | Arts Activist |
| Arts Educator | Youth Award |
| Visual Artist | Performing Artist |
| Special Recognition | Community Arts Impact |
| Art Business Honor Roll | Writer |



Nomination forms and criteria may be picked-up at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center, which is located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front Street, and can also be found online at bit.ly/1ARwIpk.

Nominations will be accepted until March 9, 2015. The award recipients will be honored in a public ceremony in May.

Sunrise Over Superior



These photos were snapped by Public Works Department Sign Technician Bridget Holm during the early morning hours of Feb. 23.

Left, both the sun and the moon can be seen framing the light house near Presque Isle.

Right, a pair of fishermen set out onto Lake Superior.



April Exhibits: Walter Early and Judy Sarosik

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center announces its April Main Gallery exhibition: "Carbon Copies from the Hills" by artist Walter Early. This exhibit will be a collection of sculptures highly influenced by nature. Early received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Kentucky and his Master of Fine Arts from the University of Notre Dame. He has exhibited nationally and internationally and has lectured on art in the United States, Canada and Honduras and was a resident artist at the Museum of Steel Sculpture in Coalbrookdale, England.

The SmallWorks Gallery will feature "Roots and Wings" by origami artist Judy Sarosik. This Marquette native specializes in Peace Crane Mobiles, origami owls, butterflies and fish. She has exhibited locally and in Midwest galleries and was invited to speak at the Michigan Art Teachers annual conference. Sarosik creates artwork that inspires peace and joy.

The shows will be running from March 31 to May 1 and there will be an artist reception on Thursday, April 2 from 6 to 8 p.m.

City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center Workshop Calendar

Intermediate Watercolor with Carl Mayer

Saturday, March 28 at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 25 at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$45 registration fee (each course)

This class is intended for intermediate to advanced painters. Students will bring their own supplies.

Lake Superior Art Association Programs:

Tuesday, March 17 at 7 p.m. — Carl Mayer: Transparent Watercolor Society of America 2014 Exhibition on DVD

Tuesday, April 21 at 7 p.m. — Expressions from the Sketchbook of Mandi Frantti

The Senior Arts Series

Visual Arts

Visual Arts is offered on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m. Professional artists instruct participants in this successful program for seniors only. Each month a new professional artist will lead the group. Non-City seniors will be asked to make a small donation of \$5 per class to help cover the costs of supplies and instruction. Students must pre-register through the Senior Center at 906-228-0456.

March 3 - Mixed Media Painting with Martha Fotopulos

March 17 - Mixed Media Painting with Martha Fotopulos

April 7 - Painting with Gene Bertram

April 21 - Drawing with Diana Magnuson

Gallery Tours

Second Tuesday of each month at 12:30 p.m. (March 10 and April 14)

Arts and Culture Manager Tiina Harris will guide guests on a free tour of both the SmallWorks and the Main Gallery. All ages!

Art Social

Second Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m.

Taking place after monthly tours, join fellow seniors for informative demonstration and lecture by a local or regional artist. Refreshments will be served and there will be an opportunity for discussion and a question-and-answer section.

March 10 - Carl Mayer

April 14 - Judy Sarosik

Dancing with Marge Sklar

First and third Wednesday 1 to 2 p.m. (March 4 and 18; April 15)

This class is free for seniors. Drop-ins welcome and there is no registration required.

Beginning Acting with Moire Embley

Mondays, March 2-23 from 2 to 4 p.m.

This class will focus on the beginning techniques of acting by using the body as an instrument for portraying emotion, improv, breathing techniques, and scene acting. Registration required through the Senior Center at 906-228-0456.



March Exhibit: High School Art Show

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center will host original artwork by high school-aged students in Marquette County in both the Main and SmallWorks Galleries, located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library, at 217 N. Front Street.

This third annual show is an opportunity for the community to see the local youth talent and for the students to present what they've achieved during the academic year.

The shows will be running from March 3 to 27 and there will be an artist reception on Thursday, March 5 from 6 to 8 p.m.

32nd Annual Pigs-n-Heat Charity Hockey Game Set for March 18

The puck will drop on Wednesday March 18 for the 32nd annual Pigs-n-Heat Charity Hockey Game. The game is scheduled to begin at Lakeview Arena at 6:45 p.m., and tickets are only \$1.

For the past 31 years, the Marquette City Fire Department has hosted the annual fundraiser hockey game, a face-off between the Firemen and the Police in Marquette County.

The event is made possible by the tremendous support from our community, from attendees to sponsors.

At \$1 per ticket, thousands of fans fill the seats at Lakeview Arena to watch this long-standing rivalry. Many say it is the event of the year at Lakeview Arena.

The Pigs-n-Heat game raises money for the Fire Relief Fund, which has helped Marquette County residents for three decades. Since the very first game, \$352,000 has been presented to fire victims throughout the County.

These funds go toward providing families a place to stay, as well as toward other needs they may have throughout the recovery and rebuilding process.

Marquette is known for its rich hockey culture and the Pigs-n-Heat game brings thousands of fans out of the winter doldrums and into our hometown rink, Lakeview Arena.

Tickets cost \$1 and are available at Fire Station #1 (418 S. Third St.) and at the Police Department (300 W. Baraga Ave.).



Above, teams prepare for the annual Pigs-n-Heat Charity Hockey Game. Left, the flyer for this year's event.

A flyer for the 2015 32nd Annual Pigs-n-Heat Charity Hockey Game. The flyer is red and white with a cartoon pig and a firefighter. The text on the flyer includes:
PIGS-N-HEAT
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ANNUAL
CHARITY HOCKEY GAME
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH AT 6:45PM
LAKEVIEW ARENA • \$1.00 DONATION
\$1000.⁰⁰ GRAND PRIZE from Lundin
\$750.⁰⁰ Prize from HOLIDAY STATIONSTORES
\$500.⁰⁰ Prize from Associated Redi-Mix & Block
Daybreak Charters Fishing Trip for 4 (\$400.00 value)
HUNDREDS OF PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY AT THE GAME!
—SPONSORED BY—
THE MINING Journal, Sunny 101.9 WKQS, tv 6, Holiday, ElDorco
Since its inception in 1984, the Pigs & Heat Hockey Game has raised over \$400,000 and \$352,000 has been distributed to fire victims throughout Marquette County.
visit the new website: pigsnheat.org

City of Marquette Kicks Off Local Program, "Marquette Moments"

The City of Marquette recently started producing a local informational television program titled "Marquette Moments." The program, which airs on local Charter Cable Channel 191 and will also be posted online, focuses on City events and aims to provide insight into local issues.

The show is recorded live in City Hall and under the current schedule, a new episode will be recorded twice monthly, in the days following each regular meeting of the Marquette City Commission.

In the most recent episode, taped Feb. 26, Marquette Mayor Mike Coyne discusses the impact of local winter events, and touches on some recent developments relating to the former Holy Family Orphanage. Coyne and City Chief Financial Officer Gary Simpson also discuss recent state approvals related to the Duke LifePoint hospital project, as well as related tax impacts.

All episodes of Marquette Moments can be found on YouTube at www.youtube.com/user/CityofMarquetteGov.



Marquette Mayor Mike Coyne speaks during the taping of Marquette Moments on Feb. 26

2015 City of Marquette Elections: Dates and Timelines

The City of Marquette, in accordance with the City Charter and State Law, conducts elections annually to elect City Commissioners and members of the Marquette Board of Light and Power (BLP). There are seven members of the City Commission and there are five members of the Board of Light and Power.

Elections are conducted annually in the City of Marquette for the City Commission and the BLP, as well as for the Marquette Area Public Schools.

There are two City Commission seats up for election this year and there are also two seats open on the BLP. Nominating petitions will be available at the City Clerk's Office (300 W. Baraga Ave.) beginning Monday, March 9. The petitions must be filed with the City Clerk's Office by 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21.

Three elections will be conducted in the City this year, as follows:

Special Election: Tuesday, May 5, 2015

Primary Election: Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2015

General Election: Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015

Although a primary election is scheduled in the City this year, candidates for City offices will only appear in the primary if more than two candidates file for each open seat. Therefore, this year, if there are five or more candidates for either the City Commission or the Board of Light and Power, the names will appear on the Primary Election ballot and the four candidates with the most primary votes will move on in each race. If there are four or fewer candidates for either race, they will bypass a primary, and the candidate names will be forwarded to the Nov. 3 election.



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