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Marquette Senior Center Events and Activities Temporarily Relocated

The Spring Street Reconstruction Project began on Monday, June 20.

To ensure the safety of the public during the construction period, all three of the Senior Center's Spring Street entrances will beclosed to the public. There will be no on street parking, no sidewalk usage and we urge the public not to park in the CarQuest lot.

Beginning Tuesday, July 5, all Senior Center activities/events will be temporarily relocated to the Citizens Forum Room at Lakeview Arena.

The Senior Center will remained fully staffed during the reconstruction period. If you are unsure of your event, please call the Senior Center at 228-0456.

Message from Mike

In each issue, the Marquette City Manager shares his comments in the form of a column. This issue, City Manager Mike Angeli (pictured right) shares comments on new construction in the City. City Manager Angeli can be reached at 906-228-0435.

Happy Summer everyone and I hope it's all going well. From that everyone will tolerate it with me. my vantage point, all is going well for the City of Marguette. As a matter of fact, very well. Everything that I've written about in previous newsletters seems to be coming to fruition. Our old Service Center on West Baraga Avenue is gone and there has been extensive site work completed for the new Duke LifePoint hospital. The site for our new Service Center on Wright Street (which we unofficially refer to as the CityPlex) is cleared and the footings have begun. Construction of the BLP Energy Center, also on Wright Street, is well under way and, adding to all that, the new Clark Park on Lakeshore Boulevard near Presque Isle is almost complete.

Which brings me to my next point: Traffic and, especially, truck traffic. My office has begun to receive calls of concern from city residents. As we have tried to express in many different methods of outreach, this increase in truck traffic was not unexpected. Construction vehicles will be more prominent with the multitude of new construction that is occurring in the City all at the same time. Unfortunately, with this type of growth comes some inconvenience and I hope

All of this is good for the City and I ask for patience and understanding.

As a matter of fact, there used to be a

time when summer around here meant less traffic- not so much anymore. In the past, when university students went home for the summer and high school students went their separate ways, vehicle and foot traffic went with them. Fortunately (or unfortunately depending how you look at it), that is all replaced by new faces and vehicles in the form of visitors and tourists. This summer it will likely be compounded by the influx of workers related to the new construction projects.

Again, I must repeat these are all good things and I'm happy to be a part of it. So if you are new to the area or visiting, welcome and I hope you enjoy your stay. If you are permanent, like me, let's notch up our patience and tolerance levels and enjoy the experience. As I mentioned before, it's all good.

Fourth of July Activities! **Fireworks** Parades

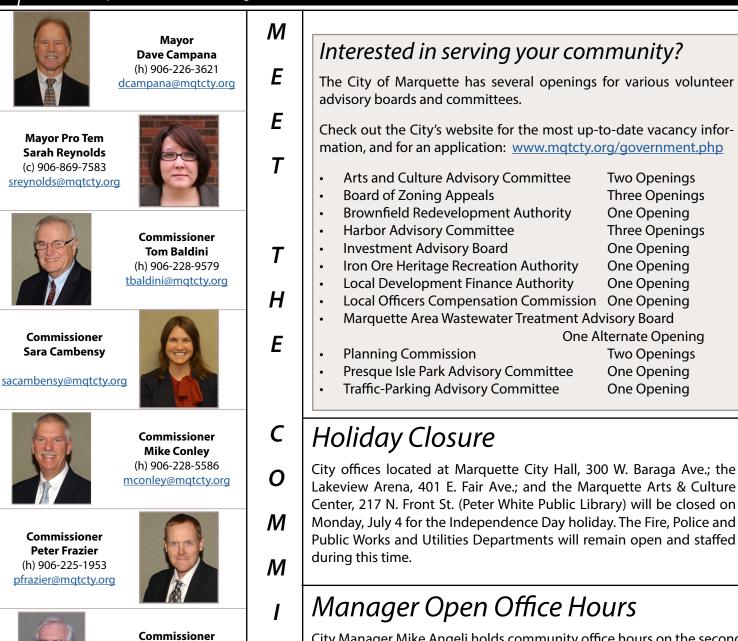
Every summer on the Fourth of July, residents of Marquette and the surrounding area gather to enjoy the spectacular fireworks in downtown Marguette. The annual Marguette fireworks will be at dusk on the Fourth, at Mattson Park. More information on the event and how to donate to the Marquette Area Fourth of July Fireworks Committee can be found at marguettefireworks.com.

Hope to see you there!



The annual Marquette Fourth of July parade sponsored by the Marquette Kiwanis Club will be held on the Fourth of July at 2 p.m. The parade will begin at McClellan Avenue and Washington Street and continue down Washington Street before turning onto Third Street. The parade will end at Third Street and Rock Street. A map of the parade and more information can be found on mgtjuly4parade.com.

The annual Marquette Yacht Club Boat Parade will take place starting at 9:45 p.m. in Lower Harbor and can be viewed from Mattson Park. Boats will begin forming up at 9 p.m. at the "elbow" in the Lower Harbor breakwall. There will be two boat categories, below 30 feet and under 30 feet, as well as other categories such as "Most Dramatic Light Display", "Most Original July 4th Theme" and "Most Spirited". Qustions can be directed to parade Captain Pete at 228-6670. The weather delay date will be July 5.



City Manager Mike Angeli 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 July 13 and August 10.

Two Openings

One Opening

One Opening

One Opening

One Opening

Two Openings

One Opening

One Opening

One Alternate Opening

Three Openings

Three Openings

The meetings are intended to provide informal opportunities to discuss issues within the community, and to give citizens a chance for direct dialogue with City staff about interests and concerns.

Special Budget Meetings

Four special budget meetings have been tentatively scheduled. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings and offer their input. These meetings will be in Commission Chambers at City Hall on the following dates:

Monday, Aug. 15 at 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 17 at 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 23 at 8:00 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 25 at 5:15 p.m.

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Monday, August 29, 2016, 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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Commissioner Peter Frazier (h) 906-225-1953 pfrazier@mqtcty.org

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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, July 11, 2016, 7 p.m. Monday, July 25, 2016, 7 p.m. Monday, August 8, 2016, 7 p.m.

August 2 Primary Election

At the City Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 2, Locally, there are contested Democratic primary races for City voters will see a two-sided ballot.

In addition to a handful of uncontested County seats, those in the City will be voting among three candidates for the There are two candidates running in each party's primary Marguette Board of Light and Power. Edward Angeli, Jorma for the 109th District seat in the Michigan House of Lankinen and Robert Niemi are running, and the two that Representatives. receive the most votes will move on to the November General Election. There is one seat opening up on the BLP this fall.

Two seats will be opening up this fall on the City Commission and there are three people running. Dave Campana and Sarah Reynolds will be seeking re-election, while Matt Luttenberger is also running. As there are fewer than five candidates running, there will be no City Commission primary, under City Charter specifications.

City voters will see one proposal, for an Iron Ore Heritage Trail millage renewal.

Drain Commissioner and for Sheriff, with three candidates for each.

Finally, there are three Republicans running for their party's nomination for the seat in Michigan's 1st Congressional District; there are two Democrats in the primary, as well.

In preparation for the Primary Election the Clerk's Office has been processing applications for those who wish to vote by absent voter (AV) ballot. Anyone interested in voting by AV ballot may contact the Clerk's Office at 228-0430 for information.

The last day to register to vote in this primary election is July 5. For more 2016 election information please visit www. mgtcty.org/clerk-elections-information.php.

Summer at the Downtown Marguette Farmers Market



artisan goods, talented you shop the market. live musicians and much Farmers Market more, experience it all at the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market, open on .

Saturdays at the Marquette Commons, 112 S. Third St, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and lasting through Dec. 17.

From hearty spring greens and plant starts to sturdy storage vegetables in the fall, meats for summer BBQ, eggs for holiday baking, beautiful flowers and fabulous chocolates anytime, you will find it all at the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market. Vendors and produce season vary so shop weekly for your grocery and gift list. Find a unique gift for a graduate, a wedding couple or as a remembrance of your visit to Marquette,

Vibrant fresh food, quality you will find something special when •

Mark your calendar for these upcoming demonstrations at the market:

- July 2 Wood turning demonstration by Dave Payant, Trillium Turnings.
- July 23- Cooking demonstration, Summer Squash & Herbs by Sarah Monte from the Marguette Food Co-op
- August 27- Cooking demonstration, All about Tomatoes by Sarah Monte from the Marquette Food Co-op
- September 10- Cooking demonstration, All about Fennel by Sarah Monte from the Marquette Food Co-op

October 8- Cooking demonstration, Winter Squash & Leeks by Sarah Monte from the Marquette Food Co-op

Enjoy live music weekly at the market. Bike racks and the doggie hitch are located at the west end of the market. Cash, credit/debit and SNAP are accepted. Double Up Food Bucks and Hoophouses for Health vouchers will be distributed. Check the market website (mgtfarmersmarket.com) and Facebook (facebook.com/downtownmarpage guettefarmersartistsmarket) for the list of daily vendors, music and additional demonstrations scheduled throughout the season.

See you at the market!



Art on the Rocks



will take place on:

Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, July 31, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Art on the Rocks has grown to one of the finest art shows in the country, attracting over 175 artists and 10,000 people each year. In 2016, we will celebrate our 58th annual fine art and crafts festival in Mattson Lower Harbor Park, sandwiched between

Marguette's historic downtown and the Cinder Pond Marina on beautiful Lake Superior the weekend of July 30-31.

The 58th Annual Art on the Rocks To maintain the tradition of excellence, 30% of the show is made up of artists invited based on a scoring system used by our previous show judges and the other 70% selected in a jury process held in April.

> Reunion, vacations and other events are scheduled to ensure that a visit to Art on the Rocks can be the focal point of a trip to the Upper Peninsula, specifically Marguette in late July. This celebration of art and talent has been an important component every summer for a half a century for those who live in or visit this area.



Edited from "Art on the Rocks located at the Father Marquette statue, 1960 TIME Magazine

Blueberry Festival Poster Contest Winner

The Marquette Downtown Development Authority is pleased



to announce Allison Kublin as the winner of this year's Blueberry Festival Poster Contest. She recently completed her first year at Northern Michigan University with a concentration in Human Centered Design. This winning entry will be utilized as the official poster for the 15th annual Blueberry Festival in Downtown Marquette

on July 29 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Blueberry Festival will feature a combination of traditional sidewalk sales, artists and crafters, food vendors, family activities, and live musical acts set in the streets of Downtown Marquette. The popular Blueberry Festival Youth Talent Show sponsored by the Lake Superior Youth Theatre will also return to complement the festivities.



Upcoming Marquette Events

International Food Fest-July 3-5, Mattson Lower Harbor Park

Lake Superior Theater Presents The Producers- July 6-10 and Art on the Rocks- July 30-31, Mattson Lower Harbor Park 13-17, Lake Superior Theatre

U.P. Shakespeare Festival Presents The Taming of the Shrew-July 17, 20, 27, 30, 31 and Aug. 3, Ore Dock Brewing Company

Music on Third- July 21, Sidewalks along Third Street

Blueberry Festival- July 29, Downtown

Ore to Shore- Aug. 13

Music on Third Street- Aug. 18, Sidewalks along Third Street

HarborFest Gala- Aug. 25, Mattson Lower Harbor Park

HarborFest- Aug. 26-27, Mattson Lower Harbor Park

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center (MACC) 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@mgtcty.org.

Upcoming Gallery Exhibits:

July

LSAA	Laura Maze, Christine Groleau and Elizabeth Evenser
SmallWorks	Ben Bohnsack
August	
LSAA	Steve Larson
SmallWorks	Art Academy with Barb Knox

Watercolor Workshop with

Carl Mayer Tuesday, Aug. 30 1-4:30 p.m. \$35 registration fee

Students must bring their own supplies and sign up prior to class by calling 906-226-8834.



July Gallery Exhibits: Laura Maze, Christine Groleau, Elizabeth Evensen and Ben Bohnsack



Waves by Ben Bohnsack

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center announces its July LSAA Gallery exhibition featuring Laura Maze, Christine Groleau and Elizabeth Evensen. Their exhibit, "Converging Visions: 3 Perspectives", will feature a variety of work including prints, watercolor, mixed media and more. Maze, Groleau and Evensen are all graduates of Northern Michigan University and have each exhibited their work across the country in solo and group shows.



The July SmallWorks Gallery will feature work by woodblock print artist Ben Bohnsack. A retired pastor, Bohnsack has received degrees from both North Central College (Bachelor of Arts) and Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (Masters of Divinity), and has studied drawing at Northern Michigan University. While he has always worked with wood, creating practical items like furniture and toys, a 2012 woodblock printing workshop with artist Nick Wroblewski ignited his exploration of the art. Bohnsack has been retired for 10 years and currently resides in Sand River with his wife, Marcia.

The LSAA exhibit will be running from July 5- 29 and the SmallWorks exhibit will be up July 1- 29, with an opening artist reception on Thursday, July 7 from 6-8 p.m. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be provided.

Artwork from Laura Maze

Upcoming City Band Concerts

Independance Day Concert: Monday, July 4, 6:30 p.m. Mattson Lower Harbor Park

Stars & Planets: Thursday, July 14, 7:30 p.m. Presque Isle Band Shell

The Music of George Gershwin: Thursday, July 28, 7:30 p.m. Presque Isle Band Shell

Upper Peninsula Community Band Festival: Saturday, Aug. 6, 7 p.m., Presque Isle Band Shell



Senior Arts Series – Performing Arts

welcome to attend for a small donation of \$5 per class to Senior Center at 228-0456. help cover the cost of supplies and instruction. Registration is required for all classes, please call the Senior Center at 228-0456 to reserve your spot.

Experience the visual arts at the City of Marguette Arts and Classes are offered on the first and third Tuesday of every Culture Center. These classes are open to individuals ages month from 1-3 p.m. and take place at the City of Marquette 60+ and cater to a wide variety of skill levels. Participation Arts and Culture Center. All supplies are included but is free to City of Marquette residents but non-residents are interested parties must pre-register by contacting the City

July and August Class Offerings

July 5 and 19 – Watercolors, with Corbin Lutz August 2 and 16 – Glass Bottle Cutting with Gene Bertram

2016 Holiday Art Sale

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center announces its 2016 Holiday Art Sale, scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. This holiday sale is open to all media: painting, photography, fibers, glass, jewelry, metals, wearable art, etc. Artwork for sale must be made by the artist. This is a juried show that will not accept any kit, import, country craft or resale items.

Applications will be released near the end of July and at that time will be available online or at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center.

Fused Glass Workshop with Beth Cox

Friday, July 29, 1-3 p.m.

\$40.00 Registration fee includes all materials, use of tools and the kiln firing.

The class is suitable for teen to adult and no prior glass working skills are required. Students will be given directions and guidance for making fused glass jewelry, buttons, magnets, sun catchers and/or wind chimes. The



assembled pieces will be transported back to Beth's studio where she will fire them in a kiln. Return arrangements for completed pieces will be made in class. Potential students can contact Beth at 906-241-0879 or bcglass@up.net.

906 Storms Artprize!

This year, over 20 U.P. artists were chosen to exhibit work in the U.P. Pavilion at the DeVos Place Convention Center in Downtown Grand Rapids during Art Prize 2016 (Sept. 21-Oct. 9). This effort has been made possible thanks to a new partnership between the Bonifas Arts Center in Escanaba and the DeVos Place. The partnership aims to give the region's artists greater exposure through the establishment of the U.P. Pavilion.

Additionally, several U.P. artists will exhibit their work during ArtPrize in locations outside of the pavilion. Stay tuned for more details!



A Night Of Art, Poetry and Music

Thursday, July 28, 6-9 p.m.

City of Marguette Arts and Culture Center

This event will feature an open poetry circle, including a few featured poets, visual arts including dreamcatchers, paintings and more!

Superior Arts Youth Theater Summer Camps 2016

How to Register:

Online: Go to <u>http://goo.gl/VIn7cf</u> and select a camp from the following list, complete registration form and pay via PayPal.

If you register online, please download our consent form. Complete the form and bring it with you to the first session. Consent forms will also be available on location for you to complete at the start of camp.

Mail: Download our registration form (<u>http://goo.gl/</u> <u>AmVDqe</u>) and mail it with your payment.

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Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp June 20-24: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lunch break at camp. Performance Friday at 1-3 p.m.

Youth ages preschool to 8 years old will have an opportunity to be introduced or expand their skills in the Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp. Youth will be introduced to all aspects of acting, music, and dance while working on a final production. Acting games and imagination exercises will be used to teach.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.

Shakespeare Acting Camp

July 11-15: 1-4 p.m., Performance Friday at 4-6 p.m.

Calling all actors, actresses, theatre lovers, and Shakespeare fans! Have we got the camp for you! Youth ages 10 and up are welcome to attend this specialized camp exposing youth to Shakespeare and acting for Shakespeare. Through participation in the camps, students will learn about elements of drama including, but not limited to, character, settings, relationships, conflict and design using the words and scripts of William Shakespeare.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.



Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp

Aug. 1-5: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Performance Friday at 1-3 p.m.

Youth ages preschool to 8 years old will have an opportunity to be introduced or expand their skills in the Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp. Youth will be introduced to all aspects of acting, music, and dance while working on a final production. Acting games and imagination exercises will be used to teach.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.

Elementary School Acting Camp

Aug. 8-12: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Performance Friday at 1-3 p.m.

Youth ages 8-12 years old will have an opportunity to be introduced or expand their skills in the Elementary School Acting Camp. Youth will be introduced to all aspects of acting, music, technical theatre, and dance while working on a final production.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.

Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp

August 15-19: 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Performance Friday at 1-3 p.m.

Youth ages preschool to 8 years old will have an opportunity to be introduced or expand their skills in the Preschool and Elementary School Acting Camp. Youth will be introduced to all aspects of acting, music, and dance while working on a final production. Acting games and imagination exercises will be used to teach.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.

Musical Theatre Camp

Aug. 22-26: 1-4 p.m. Performance Friday at 4-6 p.m.

Musical Theatre camps are for students ages 8 and up ready to develop or increase skills in all areas of musical theatre. Camps are themed around specific Broadway show styles. Camp activities include learning music, staging, choreography, and rehearsal terminology. The final day will feature student collaboration in developing a musical showcase of material that is performed for family and friends at the end of camp.

Location: City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center at the Peter White Public Library (lower level), 217 N. Front St.

New Municipal Service Center Construction



Municipal Service Center Design-Build Team with the City Project Team

It's already been more than a year-long process to get to the construction project and was able to utilize local contractors point of groundbreaking on the site of the new Municipal Service Center for Public Works operations. The move was due to an agreement with the local hospital, Duke LifePoint (DLP), in which they purchased 37 acres of City property - the property that housed the City's Municipal Service Center as well as the adjacent "roundhouse" property.

The City hired a design-build team to manage the project from design through construction-of building a new Municipal Service Center facility. At their regular meeting on February 9, 2015, the City Commission approved the selection of the Design-Build Team (DBT) consisting of Gundlach Champion, Inc. and Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. from Iron Mountain, Michigan and Grand Rapids, Michigan, respectively, for the design and construction of the new Municipal Service Center.

In the meantime, the City Project Team went through a lengthy process to determine an adequate site for the relocation of this facility. In order to accommodate the Municipal Service Center's basic needs, sites with roughly 12-17 acres of usable land were considered. The City Project Team (CPT) eliminated all but five of the 20 potential locations due to various reasons and short-listed these properties for further consideration. The sites were then presented to the public, staff and City Commission for input and further evaluation. Given the feedback received and preliminary evaluation, staff recommended the Wright Street property adjacent to Northern Michigan University's Service Center. The recommended 11.2 acre site spans three parcels in the City and was owned partially by NMU, the Federal Government and the City of Marquette.

Design of the facility was completed in early May of this year, and a construction contract and Guaranteed Maximum Price were established based on bids received from subcontractors for each required work package. The City's Design-Builder, Gundlach Champion, Inc., invited several local contractors to bid on the various work packages necessary for this

for 75% of the work. Aside from the cost of property acquisition, the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the project was set at \$16,522,000.

The previous Municipal Service Center had a total floor space of 81,346 square feet - 8,790 square feet of which included offices, locker rooms and all common areas. The new facility has a total floor space of 100,407 square feet - 16,950 of which is office space, a training room, locker rooms and all common areas; and the remainder being vehicle storage and maintenance space. The new building will also house the Departments of Public Works (Streets, Water, Sewer, Forestry, Motor Pool, Facilities and Administration), Engineering and Community Development. Community Development was not located in the previous Municipal Service Center so this new facility will include another full department relocated from City Hall.

Now that groundbreaking has taken place, the project site has already had guite a bit of preliminary work done in the past month including the demolition of the former United States Forest Service office and garage and various earthwork tasks completed. We anticipate the following significant milestones:

- Precast Installation-September 2016
- Building Enclosure December 2016
- Paving- June 2017 (dependent upon asphalt plant opening)
- Fuel Depot-June 2017
- Building Completion–June 2017

Project progress can be monitored on the City's website through a construction camera near the site. The camera and documentation can be found here: http://www.mgtcty.org/ hospital-relocation-project.php.

Peter White Public Library Movie Showings

Family Film & BYO Munchies (Shows start at 1 p.m.) Matinee Movie (Shows start at 12:30 p.m.) July Goosebumps (PG) Star Wars VII, The Force Awakens (PG-13) 02 July 7 09 When Marnie Was There (PG) 18 Suffragette (PG-13) 16 The Peanuts Movie (G) Aug. 4 Remember (R) 23 Turbo (PG) Hail Caesar! (PG-13) 16 30 Harry Potter double feature (PG) Sept. 1 Youth (R) 6 Zootopia (PG) Aug. BYO Dinner Theater (Shows Start at 6 p.m.) Late Show (Shows start at 7:30 p.m.) 7 Star Wars VII, The Force Awakens (PG-13) July July Mad Max: Fury Road (R) 19 Eye in the Sky (R) 11 The Danish Girl (R) 18 4 Anomalisa (R) Aug. 25 Creed (PG-13) 16 By the Sea (R) Straight Outta Compton (R) Aug. 1 Sicario (R) Sept. 1 8 Carol (R) Ex Machina (R) Modern Classics (Shows start at 6:30 p.m.) 15 July 21 Jaws (PG) Aug. 18 Back to the Future (PG)



"Fill the Boot" Campaign

The Marquette Firefighters Local 643 will be will holding its annual "Fill the Boot" fundraiser on Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30. Last year, over \$14,000 was raised to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

Fill the Boot donations benefit MDA's shared mission to find research breakthroughs across diseases; care for kids and adults from day one; and empower families with services and support in hometowns across America. The donations support more than 50,000 families and sends over 20,000 kids to MDA summer camp. This will be the 15th year they have been volunteering to raise funds for the MDA. All money raised remains locally to help those in need. The firefighters will be accepting donations at several intersections or you can donate to your local team online at:

http://filltheboot.donordrive.com/index. cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.search&filter=team&searchTerm =Marquette

Please come out and help a great cause!

For more information, contact local coordinator, Firefighter Brett Beaudry at <u>bbeaudry@mqtcty.org</u>.

Firefighters will be able to take donations at the following Intersections!

> Friday, July 29 2 – 6 p.m. Cleveland / McClellan and Third / Hewitt

Saturday, July 30 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Pine / Fair Third / Hewitt Front / Washington Econo Foods



Marquette Fire Department Presents: Propane Grill Safety Tips

General Grilling Tips

Propane and Natural Gas barbeque grills should only be used outdoors.

Keep your grill clean by removing grease buildup on the grill surface and in the trays below the grill.

Never leave your grill unattended.

Never let propane build up in your grill before lighting.

Keep your extra propan<mark>e tanks away from heat sources. A 20 pound porta</mark>ble propane container explosion is equal to 170 sticks of dynamite!

Propane Grills

Check the major connection points between the propane tank hose and the regulator and cylinder, and where the hose connects to the burners. Tighten the connection points if they are loose.

Always open th<mark>e top of the grill before lightin</mark>g to ensure propane doesn't build up in the cook box. Remember, propane is heavier than air and will settle in the grill.

Turn the burner to "start" or "light" as labeled on your grill. If you are unsure about this step, please check your owner's manual. Light the grill immediately after turning your burner to "start".

Use the grill starter or light from underneath through lighting holes in the cook box.

Turn the burners to the desired level and close the top.

Keep the grill at least 10 feet from your home or other combustibles. Make sure to look up to locate leaves and branches.

Keep children and pets away from the heated grill.

When finished, turn off burners first, then the tank. Always let the grill cool!

Do not store propane tanks in your home. Keep propane tanks outside or in a detached building.



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