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While there, you can also join the digital mailing list for *Marquette Matters*.

### Commission Work Sessions

Strategic Plan Discussion  
Wednesday, May 23  
4:30 p.m., Commission Chambers

Glass Recycling  
Tuesday, May 29  
4:30 p.m., Commission Chambers

Strategic Plan Discussion  
Monday, June 11  
4:30 PM, Commission Chambers

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## 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 the progress of the new hospital in the City. City Manager Angeli can be reached at 906-228-0435.



Finally, we are on our way to a real spring and summer. It's late April as I write this and, as recently as the significant snow storm two weeks ago, I had my doubts spring would come. Reports indicated we received anywhere from 20 to 30 inches of the white stuff over a three-day period.

Normally when I write this article I try to cover a few different topics that I think might be of interest. This time, however, I'd only like to touch on one. That being the U.P. Health Systems new \$300M plus hospital. You see, we just finished a tour of the new facility with members of the City Commission, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and City staff and it was nothing but impressive.

It's impressive in size, technology, logistics and efficiency, but what really struck me were the services. We have all become very comfortable with a hospital in our community as we've had at least one for decades. Maybe, in some ways, too comfortable because the truth is, under the current healthcare model, this kind of hospital with these kinds of services in a city like Marquette are not the norm. In other words, we are fortunate.

You are more likely to see this type of facility and services in a less remote, more metropolitan area.

Although we do have most, if not all, of these services now, we are going to have the most advanced technology available, attached to a more efficient process, all wrapped up in a state of the art building. From my information, which I consider the reliable kind, this will all be supported by a high-quality staff. I can personally vouch for the staff because of recent experiences that support the fact that they are nothing but the best.

In other words, as a community we are very fortunate to live in an area where an entity like U.P. Health Systems is willing to provide a service that is not available to many other areas in this country. I, for one, am thankful that they are here and I hope you will join me in giving them the support that they need. If not, I'm quite sure they will earn it.



## City Commission Primary Set for August

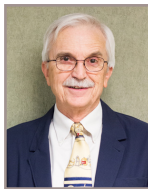
Voters in the City of Marquette will be tasked with filling two City Commission seats in 2018. Eight candidates filed with the City Clerk's Office prior to the April 24 deadline and all were subsequently confirmed by the City's Election Board.

The Primary Election, scheduled for Aug. 7, will narrow the field to four candidates. Those four will move on to the November ballot.

There are also two seats available on the Board of Light and Power in 2018. As only two candidates filed with the Clerk's Office, and were subsequently confirmed, both will move on automatically to the November ballot.



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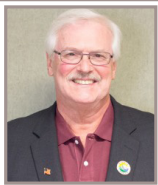
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### City Commission Meetings

The Commission usually meets the second and last Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chambers at 300 W. Baraga Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Citizens are invited to attend.

#### Regular Meetings:

**Monday, May 14, 2018, 6 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, May 29, 2018, 6 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 11, 2018, 6 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 25, 2018, 6 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's website for an application and the most up-to-date vacancy information: [marquettemi.gov/commission/boards-and-committees/vacancies/](http://marquettemi.gov/commission/boards-and-committees/vacancies/)

• Board of Zoning Appeals	Five Openings
• Board of Review	One Opening
• Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	Two Openings
• Harbor Advisory Committee	Four Openings
• Investment Advisory Board	One Opening
• Local Development Finance Authority	Three Openings
• Local Officers Compensation Commission	One Opening
• Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Advisory Board	One Alternate Opening

## Holiday Closures

City offices located at Marquette City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Ave.; the Lakeview Arena, 401 E. Fair Ave.; the Municipal Service Center, 1100 Wright St.; and the Marquette Arts & Culture Center, 217 N. Front St. (Peter White Public Library) will be closed on May 28 for the Memorial Day holiday. The Fire, Police and Public Works and Utilities Departments will remain open and staffed during this time.

## Manager Open Office Hours

City Manager Mike Angeli holds community office hours on the second Wednesday of each month, from 10 a.m. until noon in the Dandelion Cottage room, located on the first floor off of the Huron Mountain Gallery of the Peter White Public Library. The next community office hours sessions are scheduled for May 9 and June 13.

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.

## Rental Inspection Reminder

As a reminder to all landlords/property managers/rental tenants, City Code requires that all rental properties within the City of Marquette be registered, inspected and certified. Rental properties are required to meet City Code requirements for fire safety as well as Zoning Ordinance requirements. To print the application packet from the City website, go to: [www.marquettemi.gov/departments/fire/inspections/](http://www.marquettemi.gov/departments/fire/inspections/)

For questions regarding registration or to receive a registration application, contact the Marquette City Fire Department by phone at 906-225-8596, or at their office located 418 S. Third Street. For questions regarding zoning or parking requirements please call 906-228-0425.

Certificates of compliance are not transferable. When property ownership changes for currently occupied long-term rentals, it is the new owner's responsibility to register the property within 30 days of purchase. New long-term rentals must be registered prior to tenants occupying the property. Short-term rentals must be registered, approved and certified prior to advertising or use as a short-term rental. Failure to comply may result in a civil infraction citation being issued to the owner.

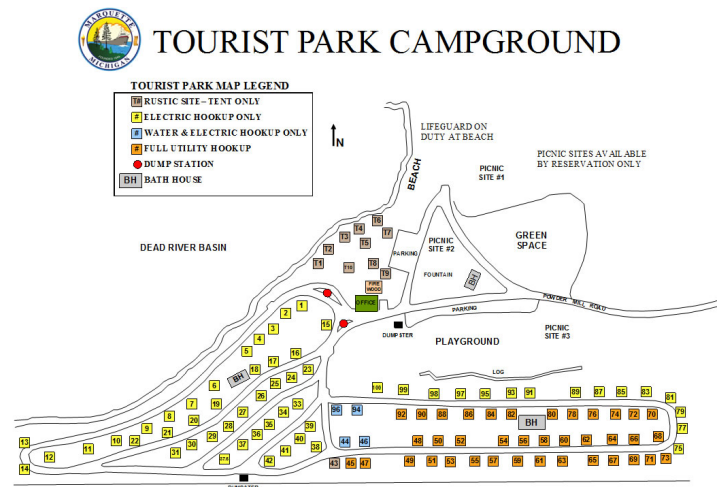
## Off-Leash Park Closed for the Season

The City's Off-Leash Park, located in Tourist Park, is now closed for the season. Annually, the park is open from Nov. 1 to May 1 and can be used by anyone with a permit for the park. Permits can be purchased in the Clerk's Office; a dog license is required, and the permits cost is \$15 for City residents and \$20 for non-residents.

The City Clerk, the Marquette County Clerk and most local veterinarians sell dog licenses. To purchase a license, you will need a paper copy of a current rabies certification from your veterinarian.

## Camping Season Has Begun!

The City-owned and operated Tourist Park is located approximately a half mile north of Wright Street on Sugarloaf Avenue on the north edge of the City. Fronting the Dead River, the nicely wooded 40-acre park provides visitors with a clean, pleasant and convenient place to camp in the immediate Marquette area. There are approximately 20 acres of campground space with 110 camping sites. One hundred sites provide electrical hookups to accommodate RVs and trailers and the remainder are designed for primitive style tenting. Each camping site has a picnic table and barbecue pits are available throughout the campground. There are 38 sites with water and sewer service. Campground facilities also include hot showers, restrooms/flush toilets, sanitary dump stations and paved roads. The campground has a small playground, grills, grassy open space, hiking trails, drinking fountains, and three large picnic areas. It is one mile from Lake Superior beaches, next to the City bike path, as well as near the Noquemanon Trail Network (miles of unpaved access to hikers, mountain bikers and runners). Tourist Park is the site of the annual Hiawatha Traditional Music Festival.



The season begins May 18 and lasts through early October depending on the weather. There is a 14-night limit on reservations and reservations are now open. Online reservations can be made at <http://mqctcy.maxgalaxy.net/Campground.aspx> and must be made at least five days in advance of when you want to camp. There is a \$20.00 cancellation fee for cancelled reservations.

2018 Rates: \$18 primitive/tent site, \$30 electric, \$35 full hook-up.

Professional staff is able to assist with questions and provide brochures for your needs. We ask all campers to please abide by the Tourist Park rules and policies.

## Senior Arts Series

Due to the Peter White Public Library renovation project, all Senior Arts and Senior Acting classes will temporarily be moved to the City of Marquette Senior Center, located at City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Ave.

These classes are open to individuals ages 60+ and cater to a wide variety of skill levels. Participation is free to City of Marquette residents, but non-residents are welcome to attend for a small donation of \$5 per class to help cover the cost of instruction. Interested parties must pre-register by contacting the Senior Center at 906-228-0456.

### Visual Arts

Senior Visual Arts classes are typically offered on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 1-3 p.m. at the Marquette Senior Center, located in the lower level of City Hall. Visual Arts classes will not be held in the month of May.

### Performing Arts

Senior Acting classes are typically offered on the first and third Monday of each month from 2-4 p.m. at the Marquette Senior Center, located in the lower level of City Hall. For a full schedule of dates and events, contact the City Senior Center at 906-228-0456.

## Short-Term Rental Update

On Tuesday, May 1, the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing for a set of Zoning Ordinance amendments related to the regulation of Short-Term Rental properties (vacation homes and homestays). The proposed amendments are the result of work sessions, public testimony and a mandate by the City Commission to study issues related to the initial set of code amendments that were adopted in May 2017. The Planning Commission and Fire Department have delivered draft code changes that address some of the concerns that have presented themselves during the past 11 months and the City Commission is likely to stage a final public hearing to adopt the proposed amendments in late May of this year. There are currently approximately 120 properties registered as Short-Term Rentals (STRs), with a limit of 250 set by code. However, in zoning districts where multi-family residences and commercial activity is allowed, there can be multiple STRs on one property.

The proposed changes would allow all units in a duplex or triplex to be STRs. For multi-family zoning districts, up to four dwelling units in complexes or structures with less than 50 units may be STRs, with a 10-percent cap at or above 50 units. Also, it was the consensus position to reduce the requirement for residential parking spaces in the Community Business District (BC) and Central Business District (CBD) to match the Downtown Waterfront Form-Based Code district,

1.125 parking spaces per dwelling unit (with the fraction rounded up), with encouragement from the Downtown Development Authority. Single-Bedroom Vacation Home rentals would be an exception and require only one space per dwelling unit. Also, for the BC and CBD, the requirement for residential parking to be provided in the same district as the use will be eliminated. The current proximity requirement for the residential parking provided within 400 ft. would be changed to within 2,000 ft. Additionally, the existing "direct access" requirement for residential parking to the rental in the BC district would be removed. It is also proposed that the proximity standard between STRs be amended and, instead of 100 ft. minimum between the property lines of STRs, the new standard proposed is that an approved STR must be physically separated from one another by at least one parcel of property not approved for STR use or by a public or private street. Finally, the Planning Commission is recommending that one STR of each kind (vacation rental and homestay) be allowed for each 500 ft. between intersections, so that if a block or segment exceeds a 500 ft. increment, another STR of each kind could be allowed, provided they are in compliance with the other standards of the ordinance.

The May 1 Planning Commission meeting begins at 6 p.m. and will be held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall.

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## Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. Recognized for Marquette Municipal Service Center Project

On March 10, Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. (FTCH) was presented the Engineering Merit Award for work on the \$16.5M Marquette Municipal Service Center at this year's American Council of Engineering Companies of Michigan (ACEC/M) Excellence Awards ceremony at DeVos Place in Grand Rapids.

As a part of a design/build team with Gundlach Champion, FTCH was retained by the City of Marquette to plan, design and construct their replacement Municipal Service Center. As the largest municipality in the Upper Peninsula, the City of Marquette knew their building needs were larger than most and needed contractors that would be able to provide a state-of-the-art facility that was done on time, within budget and completed to the satisfaction of the entire community. FTCH and Gundlach Champion's partnership proved to be the right fit showing determination, attention to detail and the communication skills to get the job done right.

Additional awards for FTCH included Firm of the Year, the Engineering Honorable Conceptor Award for FTCH's work on the St. Louis Water Supply Replacement and the Surveying Honorable Conceptor Award for FTCH's work on the City of Wyoming Second Intake Survey.

ACEC/M "recognizes outstanding efforts of professional design firms to solve clients' needs through exceptional projects, and

offers the opportunity to showcase the year's best engineering and surveying achievements to an audience of peers, clients and decision makers at all levels."

"The knowledge and expertise that filled the room on Saturday was astounding! The projects engineered by private sector firms have a profound effect on the quality of life for all Michigan residents. Their efforts result in quality roads and bridges, safe drinking water and a clean environment for people to live, work and play," said Ronald Brenke, PE, ACEC/M Executive Director.



Pictured (Left to Right): Tony Kultz, FTCH; Jeff Chick, FTCH; Jen LePage, City of Marquette; Curt Goodman, City of Marquette; John Keyes, Gundlach Champion, Inc.; Stan Kaczmarek, Gundlach Champion, Inc.

## History Class with Roger Magnuson

Retired McGill University Professor, Roger Magnuson, is teaching an ongoing six-week course entitled "British and American Men and Women in the French Resistance in World War II" in the Peter White Public Library's Lions Room.

Professor Magnuson holds a Ph.D. in History and Philosophy of Education from the University of Michigan. Now retired, he was a Professor of Education at McGill University in Montreal, Quebec, where he taught for more than thirty years. Professor Magnuson is the author of four books on Quebec educational history and has been teaching classes at Peter White Public Library since 2007 at no charge.

The class meets weekly on Thursdays from 6:30- 8 p.m. and runs through May 24. The class is open to the public at no charge and no registration is required. Call 906-226-2252 or visit [www.pwpl.info](http://www.pwpl.info) for more information.



*French Resistance fighters in WW2*

## 2018 Farmers Market Season



The 2018 season of the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market opens Saturday, May 26 and runs every Saturday through Dec. 15. Over 80 independently owned, local small business will participate

during the season at the Marquette Commons, in beautiful Downtown Marquette. Shop for the freshest, locally grown food and unique, handmade artisan goods. Market hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Enjoy live music weekly from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Shopping local means that you are helping support over 296 farm jobs and are keeping over 1600 acres of farmland in production. Shopping local means that certain items are available every week, such as small farm produced meat, eggs, maple syrup, honey and jams. Other items come into season every few weeks. Pick up a seasonality chart at the market kiosk to get an idea of when your favorite fruit and vegetables will be available. Highlights of the beginning of the season include crispy spring greens, asparagus, rhubarb, radishes, young onions and carrots. Remember to shop the market for your plant starts to help you successfully grow some of your own food. The seeds for these plant starts have been selected to thrive in our growing region. Soil amendments for your garden are also available from some farmers, be sure to ask if you are interested.



Plenty of parking is available on the north, east and south sides of the market. When you ride your bicycle to shop, you will find the bike racks at the west end of the plaza, close to the doggie hitching post.

Along with the fabulous, seasonal, local food and artisan goods, there will be various programming and food demonstrations throughout the market season.

Be sure to visit the Market website, at [mqtfarmersmarket.com](http://mqtfarmersmarket.com), and Facebook page [facebook.com/downtownmqtfarmersmarket](https://facebook.com/downtownmqtfarmersmarket) for the latest information on vendor schedule and market programming.

The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market accepts cash, credit/debit cards, SNAP benefits, Senior Market FRESH and WIC Project FRESH. We also distribute Double Up Food Bucks as a matching grant with SNAP usage and Hoophouses for Health vouchers to qualifying customers. Visit the market kiosk for additional information while at the market.

See you at the market, the place to be on Saturday mornings.

## 2018 Blueberry Festival Vendor Registration Information

Plans are underway for the 2018 Blueberry Festival in Downtown Marquette, scheduled for Friday, July 27, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. As we continue to build off the success of years past, we hope that you will once again consider joining us as a festival vendor. Vendors who create their own items to sell are encouraged to register.

The Festival features all day sidewalk sales and specials, children's activities, local performances and demonstrations and live "Blueberry Jam" music on Center Stage. If you are interested in participating as a vendor in the 2018 Blueberry Festival, please complete the form below on the DDA website. The cost to participate this year is \$75 per booth space, with a limit of two spaces. The vendor registration deadline is Friday, May 25. Vendors will be notified of their approval by Friday, June 8. Vendors not approved will be refunded their registration fee.

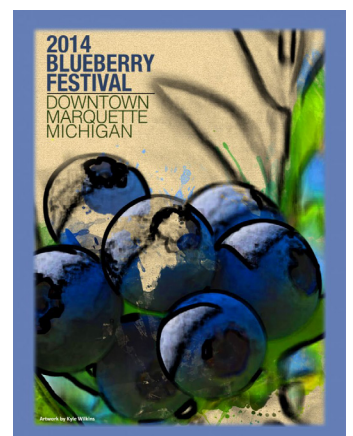
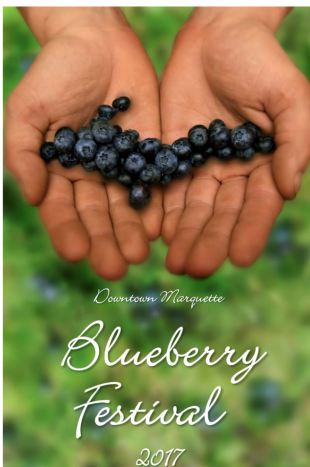
For more information, contact the DDA at 906-228-9475. Additional details are available online at [downtownmarquette.org](http://downtownmarquette.org).



## 2018 Blueberry Festival Poster Contest

The Marquette Downtown Development Authority invited residents of all ages and skill levels to submit original artwork for the 2018 Blueberry Festival Poster contest. The selected design will be reproduced as a full-color, limited edition poster. New this year to the contest, no lettering or text is allowed on the artwork, except for the artist's signature, which should be no more than 1" x 3" in size.

The winning entry will be determined by a combined score based on an online vote open to the public and a panel of judges comprised of local artists, downtown business owners and public officials. Voting will take place Monday, May 7, through Friday, May 25, at [www.downtownmarquette.org](http://www.downtownmarquette.org). All entries will be on display at a location to be announced soon and, throughout the voting period, those who would like to view and vote for the artwork will have the option of doing so in person. In exchange for the rights to the selected artwork, the winner will receive \$150 in gift certificates from downtown businesses and ten posters. The winning poster will debut prior to the festival, which is scheduled for Friday, July 27.



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@marquettemi.gov](mailto:arts-culture@marquettemi.gov).



## Changes to the Arts and Culture Center

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center (MACC) galleries and workshop spaces will be closed to the public during Library renovations beginning May 1. The Arts and Culture Office will temporarily re-locate to the Peter White Conference Room on the Library's main floor. Renovations will not disrupt the Office's on-going initiatives, support services and programs such as Art Week and the



Halloween Spectacle. Staff may be reached during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

In addition, Senior Arts programs will continue during renovations at the Marquette Senior Center located at 300 W. Baraga Avenue.

Renovations that directly impact MACC space will include improvements to atrium windows, soundproofing and private entrances into workshop rooms. Improvements will greatly improve disruptions between spaces, acoustics, privacy and security. The new staff office will be located adjacent to the Lake Superior Art Association Gallery.

One of the most exciting changes is the creation of a reception/gathering area between the Children's Library, Community Room and MACC. Patrons will be drawn down the stairs to a welcoming space filled with comfortable chairs and beautiful art. The new space will provide a welcoming place to meet up with a friend before visiting the art gallery, a quiet place to spend a moment while your child participates in a library program or a place for receptions before a concert in the Community Room. The SmallWorks Gallery will be replaced by what promises to become a dynamic hub for all three spaces, showcasing the creative programming on the lower level.

For more information about these changes please feel free to contact the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Office at 906-228-0472 or email [arts-culture@marquettemi.gov](mailto:arts-culture@marquettemi.gov).

## Second Annual Fresh Coast Plein Aire: Painting the Landscape



The City of Marquette announces the second annual "Fresh Cost Plein Aire: Painting the Landscape". The event will take place on Saturday, June 30. Plein Aire means to paint outdoors or in "open air" and artists may paint at any Marquette outdoor location from Founder's Landing to Presque Isle Park, along the shore or in town. Paintings must illustrate or be inspired by real-life scenes.

This year's event will also feature a new Dusk to Dark competition segment, to take place on Friday, June 29 from 4-10 p.m. Saturday's main competition will run from 7 a.m.- 4 p.m., after which paintings from both competitions will be submitted for judging. A special public reception and viewing will be held at the Presque Isle Pavilion on Saturday from 5-8:30 p.m. and over \$2,000 in prizes will be awarded for Best of Show, First Place, Second Place,

Honorable Mentions and People's Choice. Artists may pre-register at <https://goo.gl/LQnNQn>.

Fresh Coast Plein Aire: Painting the Landscape is presented by the City of Marquette, Travel Marquette, Lake Superior Art Association, Beth Millner Jewelry, Steve Pelto at Look Realty, Marquette Downtown Development Authority, Carl Mayer Watercolors and Mommaerts Mahaney Financial Services.



## 2018 City of Marquette Art Week

The City of Marquette Art Week is a week-long celebration of the visual and performing arts, bringing together local businesses, arts organizations and artists to host a series of workshops, performances, festivals, exhibitions and other special events. This year's Art Week is scheduled for June 24-30. For a full list of events, more information about a specific event or to get involved, please visit [Marquette365.com](http://Marquette365.com) or contact the Arts and Culture Center at 906-228-0472.

Some featured 2018 Art Week events include:

### *4th Annual Downtown Art Stroll*

The Downtown Art Stroll is an annual Art Week event that highlights pop-up exhibitions hosted by local businesses. Artists interested in displaying their work in a local business can contact the MACC office for more information. The Art Stroll will be held on Thursday, June 28 from 4 – 8 p.m. and artists are encouraged to be present at their partnered business during this time to greet the community.

### Workshops

*Painting Historic Marquette, Plein Aire Workshop*  
with Kathleen Conover

Monday, June 25- Wednesday, June 27

9 a.m.- 4 p.m. at the Studio Gallery

Cost: \$295 for all three days

Register with Michele Tuccini, 906-250-7364

*Happy Hour Alcohol Inks with Diane Kribs-Mays*

Monday, June 25

4 p.m. at Ore Dock Brewing Company

Cost: Free

Pre-register with the Arts and Culture Center, 906-228-0472

*Wine + Design – Floral Arrangements with Garden Bouquet & Design*

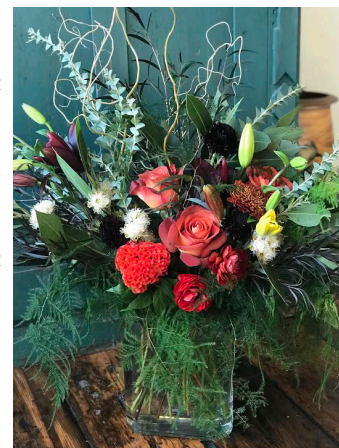
Wednesday, June 27

5-6:30 p.m. at Garden Bouquet & Design

Cost: \$50, includes all materials and wine tasting

Register with Garden Bouquet & Design

[gardenbouquetmqt.com/events/](http://gardenbouquetmqt.com/events/)



### Performances

*Art Week Kick-Off Concert with the Jimmy Almen Group*

Sunday, June 24

6-8 p.m. at the Marquette Commons

Cost: Free admission

*Marquette Symphony Orchestra: Summer Strings*

Wednesday, June 27

7- 8:30 p.m. at the Marquette Commons

Cost: Free admission, donations appreciated

*Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic*

Thursday, June 28 as a featured performance during the Art Stroll

5-7 p.m. in the Rosewood Walkway

Cost: Free admission, donations appreciated

*Marquette City Band Concert*

Thursday, June 28

7:30-9 p.m. at the Presque Isle Pavilion

Cost: Free admission, donations appreciated



*TaMaMa Dance Company presents: Flow*

Friday, June 29 and Saturday, June 30

7:30-9 p.m. at Forest Roberts Theatre

Cost: \$10 General Admission

Tickets are available at the door, or in advance from TaMaMa Dance Company and the Second Skin Shop

## Beach Days Coming Soon – Waterfront Safety Refresher

With summer days just around the corner, it is important to understand the City of Marquette's Beach Flag Advisory system, and other waterfront safety tips.

Watch for warning flags and know what they mean. The City of Marquette's flag status can be found on our website, [marquettemi.gov/departments/fire/waterfront-safety/](http://marquettemi.gov/departments/fire/waterfront-safety/). Warnings are as follows:

Green Flag – Low Hazard (waves calm to 2 feet)

Yellow Flag – Medium Hazard (waves 2 to 4 feet)

Red Flag – High Hazard, No Swimming (waves over 4 feet)

Double Red Flag – Water closed to public, no lifeguard on duty.



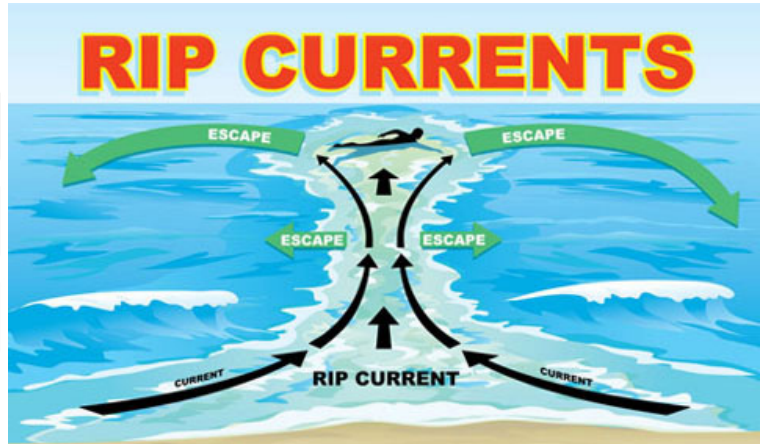
**Be aware of the weather.** Before heading to the beach, check the weather report. Avoid the beach if there is lightning in the forecast and wait 30 minutes after the last thunder clap.

**Know your swimming level.** Always follow the buddy system while swimming. This will ensure that help is nearby should you need it. It's best practice to enroll your family in age-appropriate swim lessons. Inexperienced swimmers should wear a lifejacket. Loaner lifejackets are available at guarded beaches.

**Pick a lifeguarded beach.** Be aware of the lifeguard station and note the direction of the current and where you are at when in the water. This can help orient you while in the water. The City of Marquette's guarded beaches include McCarty's Cove, South Beach and Tourist Park.



**Watch for rip currents.** Rip currents can occur at any beach with breaking waves. They tend to form near a shallow point in the water. If you get pulled into a rip current, stay calm, gain your composure and swim parallel to shore until you are out of the current. Then swim diagonally toward shore. If in danger, face the shore and call for help.



**Know how to identify a swimmer in need.** Swimmers in trouble will not always be waving their hands and making noise. Usually, a drowning person is unable to call for help or wave his/her arms. Drownings are often silent. Be alert to a swimmer with their head low in the water (mouth submerged), or tilted back. Often their bodies will remain upright with little evidence of kicking.

**Stay sober.** It is unlawful to drink alcohol on City of Marquette beaches and is subject to civil citation. Not only does alcohol affect your judgement, but it also dehydrates you which can contribute to heat-related illness.



**Wear sunscreen and stay hydrated.** Protect your skin; sunburns can increase the risk of skin cancer (especially blistering burns early in life). Also, know the signs of heatstroke which can include: a high body temperature, confusion/agitation, hot skin/dry to touch (unless brought on by strenuous exercise), nausea, flushed skin, rapid heart rate and headache. Drink plenty of water at the beach to help avoid dehydration or heatstroke.

## 2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority collections are held from May through October. Collections in the City of Marquette will be held at the new City Rubbish/Compost Site at 1415 Pioneer Road on June 6, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12 and Oct. 3 from 3-7 p.m. Due to the large April snow, the May 2 household hazardous waste collection location has been changed to the Marquette County Landfill (600 County Rd NP, Marquette).



For a list of acceptable materials or more information concerning hazardous waste disposal visit the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority website at [www.mcswma.com](http://www.mcswma.com) or call 906-249-4125. No latex paint will be accepted.

## Household Rubbish/Compost Drop-Off Site Change and Season Opening

The City of Marquette Household Rubbish/Compost Site has moved to 1415 Pioneer Road.

### Rubbish Drop-Off

The Rubbish Drop-Off Site is opening on May 12 for the season. Hours of operation are Mondays, 3-7 p.m., and the second Saturday of each month, 1-4 p.m.

A driver's license and City water bill showing the payment of a solid waste fee for your property is required for admittance. Residents in rental units using the "green bags" who do not have a water bill in their name need to contact their landlord to file the Household Rubbish Drop-Off Rental Registration form with the Public Works Department showing a list of tenants eligible to use the site. The form is available at: [www.marquettemi.gov/rubbishdropoffform](http://www.marquettemi.gov/rubbishdropoffform)

The City asks that all individuals respect traffic and waiting lines that may occur. Accepted items: toys, tools, furniture, appliances (must be tagged Freon free and only accepted on Saturdays), old clothing, shoes, books, drapes, carpets, decorations, and other minor household items are accepted but limited to one pickup truck load per day. No shingles are accepted.



Appliances and White goods include all appliances and water heaters. Appliances using any regulated refrigerant must bear an appropriate technician's certificate for compliance certifying that the refrigerant has been recaptured. This can be done through a plumbing and heating company. Metal items will be separated for recycling. Not accepted items: liquid or hazardous wastes, Freon containing appliances, brush or yard waste, regular garbage, food items, rocks or masonry, compressed gas tanks, tires, shingles, computers, laptops, network equipment, computer parts, software, flat panel screens, monitors, printers, scanners.

### Compost Drop-Off

The Compost Site is opening Tuesday, May 15 for the season. Hours of operation are Tuesdays, 3-7 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The "Solid Waste" fee payment on a current City water bill and ID is required for admittance.

Yard waste, grass clippings, garden debris etc. are accepted with no size limit. Property owners may also drop off one pickup load of brush per day. (A pile approximately 12'L x 6'W x 5'H). This drop-off site is not available to commercial haulers. Open burning is not permitted in the City of Marquette.

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