City Commission
Budget Meetings
Wednesday, Aug. 14
3 p.m., Commission Chambers
Monday, Aug. 19
5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers
Wednesday, Aug. 21
3 p.m., Commission Chambers
Wednesday, Aug. 28
5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers

City Commission
Work Sessions
FY 2018 Audit Presentation
Monday, July 8
5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers
Presque Isle Park Land Use Rules
Tuesday, July 9
5:15 p.m., City Hall Room 103
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) discusses summer construction in the City. City Manager Angeli can be reached at 906-228-0435.

Hello everyone and welcome to another normal Marquette summer. I say normal because you never know what it's going to be like. Maybe warm or maybe not so warm. So far it looks like this one is on the not so warm path. Either way, it usually works for all of us that have been around for a long time. No matter what, we seem to be able to participate in the normal summer activities and make the best of what we have. I think we'll all agree that Marquette always seems to produce the best.

For those of us that work for the City, probably our most prominent summer activity is road and other construction. Outside of our usual road maintenance projects, the most prominent is likely the new infrastructure at the Lighthouse Park. The City Commission has been working hard at establishing this park as something the City can be proud of and has spent the last 12 months deciding how to do it. This summer, you will see a new entrance to the park via East Arch Street off of Lakeshore Boulevard, as well as a new multi-use path and two new parking areas. One parking area will be in front of the lighthouse buildings and the other, which incorporates a small cul-de-sac, will be in front of the Maritime Museum. The old Coast Guard Road that leads to McCarty’s Cove will be abandoned, however the Multi-use path will remain along that route.

The City Commission has also made some other significant decisions in the area of construction that will, in my opinion, be significant assets to our community. The first is the reuse of the old dock pilings located in the lower harbor just off of Founders Landing. This is a project that has been in the works for about 20 years and is a requirement by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE), formerly the Department of Environmental Quality, as part of the overall Founders Landing project. The public will be able to enjoy two new piers for recreation, including boating, kayaking and fishing.

The boating public will also see the beginning of our pier replacement project at Presque Isle Marina. This is also a project that has been in progress for the last several years and is a long time in coming. I am also happy to say that the Commission has established a stable funding and maintenance schedule to allow us to keep both marinas useful and functional into the future.

The last project that I’d like to mention is the recent City Commission decision to move forward with the relocation of Lakeshore Boulevard between Wright Street and Hawley Street. This is a highly traveled section of our shoreline road system that has been under constant attack from Lake Superior in the form of erosion caused by wind, waves and generally harsh weather. The Commission has committed, as part of the first phase of the project, to move the road inland and away from the effects of Lake Superior and has committed $3 million from the 2019-20 budget as part of a match to a recent $2.5 million grant awarded to the City.

Overall, the City of Marquette is moving forward in a very positive way and I hope and encourage all of you to enjoy the many good things that we are experiencing. Enjoy your summer, I know I will.

2018 Water Quality Report Available

The City of Marquette routinely monitors for contaminants in drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The annual drinking water report is designed to inform residents about the quality of the water and services delivered every day. The tables in this report show the results of water quality monitoring for the period of Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2018. The report is available on the City website at www.marquettemi.gov/municipal-utilities/.
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Interested in serving your community?

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

Fill out an application online and check on the most up-to-date vacancy information at: www.marquettemi.gov/boardapplication/

- Board of Review Two Openings
- Board of Zoning Appeals Two Openings
- Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Two Openings
- Harbor Advisory Committee One Opening
- Housing Commission One Opening
- Investment Advisory Board Two Openings
- Local Development Finance Authority Two Openings
- Local Officers Compensation Commission One Opening
- Marquette Housing Commission One Opening
- Marquette County Transit Authority One Opening
- Presque Isle Park Advisory Committee Three Openings

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, July 8, 2019, 6 p.m.
Monday, July 29, 2019, 6 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, 6 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 26, 2019, 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.

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 July 10 and Aug. 14.

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.

Holiday Closure

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 July 4-5 for the Independence Day holiday.

The Fire, Police and Public Works and Utilities Departments will remain open and staffed during this time.

Summer Taxes

Summer property tax statements were mailed to City residents on June 29. Tax collection begins July 1 and payments are accepted without interest through Sept. 14. The summer property tax bill includes taxes for the School, Marquette-Alger RESA, State Education, Library, City, Senior Millage, County Operating and the Iron Ore Heritage Trail.

Eligible taxpayers may defer their summer taxes by submitting an application for deferment to the City Treasurer by Sept. 15. To qualify, the gross annual household income cannot exceed $40,000 and the applicant must satisfy one of the following conditions: 1) age 62 years or older, 2) paraplegic or quadriplegic, 3) eligible service person who served in the active military forces during a period of “war”, 4) blind, or 5) totally and permanently disabled. A deferment postpones the due date of the summer taxes without interest from Sept. 14 to Feb. 14, 2020.
City Receives Bicycle Friendly Community Award

In mid-May, the League of American Bicyclists (LAB) designated Marquette as a Bicycle Friendly Community once again. LAB Executive Director Bill Nesper wrote “Congratulations! The League of American Bicyclists has decided to designate Marquette as a Bicycle Friendly Community at the Silver level. This decision involved a careful review of your application and supplemental materials, as well as consultation with local cyclists and bike advocates. As you know, this award is presented only to communities with strong commitments to bicycling. You should be very proud of this accomplishment.”

It is with pride that all of those that have contributed to this honor should accept the award in their own way; it is a community award and the community earned it. Northern Michigan University recently applied for the LAB’s Bicycle Friendly University award as well and hopefully Mr. Nesper will also give NMU congratulations in the near future.

This award was earned through the work of many individuals and groups that have been working to make incremental improvements to our bicycling infrastructure and culture over the years. We recall Holly Greer, the visionary City Commissioner and Mayor who, in the 1970s, was instrumental in creating the shoreline bike path that has become one of the City’s greatest assets. We thank the Iron Ore Heritage Trail organization, which is continuing to expand amenities along the multi-use path through the city. The Downtown Development Authority has worked diligently to provide a welcoming environment for cyclists in our business districts as well. Marquette has four independently owned bicycle shops that provide top-notch service and bikes. The City’s expert municipal staff is developing an on-street bicycle network that will better connect residents to the separated path system, which is a result of planning over the past decade. In fact, work to designate new on-street bike routes by the establishment of signs and street markings has begun recently with crews placing green bike route signs along selected routes north of downtown and east of the NMU academic campus.

The designated bikeways were selected to provide a combination of comfort for cyclists because they are low stress compared to similar streets in the area and they are a direct connection to key destinations in the city. Nine miles of new bikeways will be designated only with signs and over 16 miles of new shared routes and bike lanes will be designated with street markings and signs, all over the next three years. While on-street routes are comfortable for some people, in some cases using a sidewalk is going to be the most comfortable and safest place to be on a bike, particularly for younger kids and anyone that isn’t comfortable riding on the street. Please keep in mind that riding bicycles on sidewalks in business districts is prohibited, as sidewalks are intended for pedestrians. Bikes must yield to pedestrians everywhere whenever the space is shared.

The commitment to bicycling is a commitment to a more inclusive community, as bicycle facilities are a transportation option as well as a recreation option and enhance the overall mobility of people in the community. Getting around on a bike is also a lot of fun!

Rental Fire Safety Program

The City rental safety ordinance is designed to promote the maintenance of sanitary and safe rental structures, as well as enhance and maintain property values. The ordinance requires all rental dwelling units to be registered, inspected and certified with the City of Marquette. Currently, there are approximately 1,200 registered rental properties, including 188 short-term rentals, in the City of Marquette.

Any structure or dwelling unit that is occupied by persons other than the property owner, including family members who are not owners, pursuant to any oral or written rental or lease agreement or other valuable compensation, is considered a rental dwelling unit and must be registered, inspected and certified. Rental certificates are not transferable and properties must be reregistered and certified after an ownership transfer.

A long-term rental (30 days or more) that is occupied at the time of sale must be registered by the new owner within 30 days of purchase. A new long-term rental (either new construction or a property that is being converted to rental use) must be registered prior to any occupancy.

Short-term rentals (less than 30 days) must be registered, approved, pass inspection and be certified prior to any advertising or use as a short-term rental. To verify if your property is eligible to apply for short-term rental, contact the Zoning Department at 906-225-0425.

Registration forms and information can be obtained at www.marquettemi.gov/departments/fire/inspections/, in person at the Marquette City Fire Department at 418 S. Third St., Monday-Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m., by phone 906-225-8596 or by emailing fire@marquettemi.gov.
2019 Construction Projects

Various street and utility reconstruction projects currently in progress. Questions regarding these projects can be directed to Keith Whittington, City Engineer, or Mik Kilpela, Assistant City Engineer, at 906-228-0440.

2018 Street Improvement and Maintenance Projects (SIMP): Due to a union lockout last year this project was delayed until the spring of this year. All that remains is line and traffic symbol painting and project clean up. A punch list will be forthcoming when we have been notified by the contractor they are finished with the project.

2018 McClellan Avenue Widening (US 41 to Washington Street): Due to a union lockout last year this project was delayed until the spring of this year. All that remains is line and traffic symbol painting and project clean up. A punch list will be forthcoming when we have been notified by the contractor they are finished with the project.

Third Street (Baraga Avenue to Fisher Street): This reconstruction project started on April 15 with Oberstar, Inc. and is proceeding on schedule. Work is substantially complete with only line and traffic symbol painting, project clean up and punch list items remaining.

Altamont Street (McMillan Street to Blemhuber Avenue): This reconstruction project started on April 15 with Oberstar, Inc. and is proceeding on schedule. Work is substantially complete, only the top course of HMA, line and traffic symbol painting, project clean up, lawn restoration and punch list items remaining.

Front Street (Arch Street to Michigan Street): This reconstruction project started on June 4 with Oberstar, Inc. Work to date consists of removals and underground utility installation. Work should be substantially complete in the next few weeks.

Front Street (Ohio Street to Hewitt Avenue): This reconstruction project started on June 17 with Oberstar, Inc. Work to date consists of existing structure removals. Work should be substantially complete by the end of July.

Park Street (Fourth Street to Lee Street): The City Commission approved Smith Construction at their April 29 meeting. Work is scheduled to start on July 5. This is a total reconstruction project and will consist of two phases.

Front Street (Park Street to Magnetic Street): The City Commission approved Smith Construction at their April 29 meeting. Work is scheduled to start in mid-July. This is a total reconstruction project.

Kaye Avenue (Third Street to Presque Isle Avenue): The City Commission approved Smith Construction at their April 29 meeting. Work is scheduled to start towards the end of July. This is a total reconstruction project.

Street Improvement and Maintenance Projects (SIMP): This project started on June 6 on Birch Street. This is an annual project where streets that warrant heavy maintenance are milled and overlaid. Street sections that are planned for treatment are Birch Avenue, Clark Street, Cleveland Avenue, Eighth Street, Garfield Avenue, Grandview Drive, Lincoln Avenue, Lynn Street and Waldo Avenue. In addition, approximately six miles of roadway will be crack-sealed. Any questions regarding these projects and the specific street limits can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Sanitary Sewer Lateral Replacement Program: This project started on June 6 on Birch Street with sanitary sewer lateral replacements. This is an annual project where streets that receive heavy maintenance activities also receive sanitary sewer laterals replacements where necessary. Laterals replaced are those that are found to be in poor condition or consist of Orangeburg material. Any questions regarding this project and the specific locations can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Sidewalk Repair and Replacement Project: This project was approved by the City Commission at their May 28 meeting for the low bid as submitted by Arrow Constructions. We are waiting to have a pre-construction meeting with the contractor before a “Notice to Proceed” can be authorized by the City Engineer. This is an annual project where portions of sidewalk which have been determined by the Engineering and Public Works Departments to be hazardous to the public are removed and replaced. Sidewalk lips 1/2 inch or greater are prioritized by lip height and scheduled for replacement. The amount of sidewalk replaced is based on the amount of funds available. Any questions regarding this project and the specific locations can be directed toward Keith Whittington.

Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Televising Project: This project was approved by the City Commission at their May 28 meeting with Upper Peninsula Rubber Co. as the contractor. This project will televise and clean sanitary sewer mains throughout the City. This will continue our annual process and televise and clean those mains not covered previously by our Stormwater, Asset Management and Wastewater grant. All televising video, pictures and reports will be completed using national standards. Piping will be conditioned assessed and rated for severity. All the information will be integrated into our GIS system for ease of use by City staff. This contract is scheduled for three years. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington.

Lighthouse Park Project: This project was delayed from last year due to issues stemming from the State Historical Preservation
2019 Construction Projects (continued)

Office and the location of the multi-use pathway. The multi-use pathway was redesigned and work started May 13. This project includes the construction/extension of the multi-use pathway from Michigan Street to Ridge Street, water main/service upgrades and extensions to provide loops up Arch Street and Michigan Street, sanitary sewer upgrades and extensions, a parking area for Lighthouse Park, various stormwater control upgrades and the construction of a drive and parking area for the lighthouse. Oberstar, Inc. started construction on May 13. Currently most of the underground utilities are complete and grading work has started on Arch Street. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington.

The Engineering staff would like to remind the public to be aware of all construction signing, detour routes and the workers while they are traveling near or through any of the construction or work zones. We want to keep everyone safe!

Blueberry Festival Poster Contest Winner

The Marquette Downtown Development Authority is pleased to announce Sabrina Stanley with her poster “Berry Happy Puppy” as the winner of this year’s Blueberry Festival Poster Contest. Sabrina, originally from Marquette, is 19 years old. She currently is attending Northern Michigan University pursuing a degree in Elementary Special Education and a minor in Deaf Studies. In her spare time, she works at Saykly’s The Candy Store and during the summer she also works at the summer day camp at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Sabrina was inspired to create this artwork by her adopted dog, Snickers. “My family adopted her (Snickers) from Upper Peninsula Animal Welfare Shelter (UPAWS) three years ago. She has one eye, so it looks like she’s permanently winking, which fits her personality. She is very goofy, and she makes the best faces, so I knew she’d make a great subject for the poster,” says Sabrina.

This winning entry will be utilized as the official poster for the 18th annual Blueberry Festival in Downtown Marquette on July 26 from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. This entry was chosen by a combination of online votes, in-person votes at the Marquette Arts and Culture Center and a panel of judges. All 14 entries are on display at the Marquette Arts and Culture Center in the Lower Level of the Peter White Public Library, 217 N. Front St. in Downtown Marquette.

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 Superior Arts Youth Theatre will also return to complement the festivities.
MDDA Façade Grant Awards
The Marquette Downtown Development Authority (MDDA) is pleased to announce the award of $323,000 in Downtown Façade Improvement Grant funds to 10 property owners throughout the downtown district. The purpose of the grant program is to assist property owners in making impactful improvements to their exterior building façade. The MDDA received one-time grant funding in the amount of $300,000 through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Façade Restoration Initiative pilot program. Marquette was one of three Michigan communities, selected from a pool of 52 applicants, to receive this grant funding. The grant award has allowed the MDDA to expand its local Downtown Façade Improvement Grant Program to fund this collection of projects that will significantly impact the economic growth and revitalization of the downtown district.

A total of 26 applications were received, representing nearly $700,000 in grant requests. Grants were scored competitively based on 17 different factors including the scope and impact of the project. Selected projects are distributed throughout Downtown and Third Street, promoting pockets of rehabilitation which will enhance and renew their respective neighborhoods. “We are thrilled with the amount of interest in this program, which clearly demonstrates a high level of commitment on behalf of downtown property owners to invest in their properties and Downtown Marquette. We are excited to help bring these projects to fruition, to witness the transformation of these 10 buildings, and to continue revitalization efforts in partnership with the property owners and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation,” said Rebecca Salmon, MDDA Assistant Director.

The following properties have received Downtown Façade Improvement Grants and will be making improvements over the summer: Be Kind LLC, Breakers Roadhouse, Great Northern Title & Abstract, Inc., Pemble Properties LLC., The Preserve, Superior Hearing Aid Center, Symbios LLC., Third Base Bar, Third Street Bagel and Veridea Group LLC.

For more information, contact Rebecca Salmon at 906-228-9475, email Becky@downtownmarquette.org, or visit downtownmarquette.org.

Farmers Market
The 20th anniversary season of the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market is underway. New this year is the addition of a Wednesday evening market, open from 5-7 p.m. The Saturday Market is open from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. through Dec. 14. Over 80 independently owned, local small businesses will participate throughout the season at the Marquette Commons. Shopping at the market gives you the privilege of purchasing directly with the grower and creator of the products for the freshest, locally grown, small farm produced food and unique, handmade artisan goods.

The Power of Produce (PoP) Club returns on Saturdays this season. The goal of the PoP Club is to empower children to make healthy choices when selecting food to eat. The PoP Club provides a fun opportunity for children 4-12 years old to engage in the local food system through conversations directly with farmers, educational games, demonstrations and exposure to new fruits and vegetables. In addition to participating in educational activities, POP Club kids receive $2 in PoP Bucks to spend at the market, allowing them to make their own shopping decisions at the market. They can spend it each week or save a couple weeks worth and make larger purchases.

Fill the Boot Campaign
For more than 60 years the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has stood on the front lines for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), working together to free individuals, and the families who love them, from the harm of muscular dystrophy, ALS and related muscle-debilitating diseases that take away physical strength, independence and life.

The MDA's spirited Fill the Boot campaign is an honored tradition in which thousands of dedicated firefighters hit the streets or storefronts asking pedestrians, motorists, customers and other passersby to make a donation to MDA, using their collective strength to help kids and adults live longer and grow stronger. Since 1954 the IAFF has raised more than $585.5 million to help kids and adults with muscle-debilitating diseases live the life they’ve always imagined and experience the world without any limits. In 2018, Marquette City Firefighters received donations totaling over $13,000 from the community.

The 2019 Fill the Boot event will take place on Friday, July 26, from 2-6 p.m. on the corners of Cleveland Avenue/McClellan Avenue and Third Street/Hewitt Street and Saturday, July 27, from 12-4 p.m. on the corners of Pine Street/Fair Avenue, Third Street/Hewitt Street and Front Street/Washington Street. Please come out and show your support for our Firefighters and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.
Marquette Artist Collective – All Members Exhibit
July 1–29, The Deo Gallery

The Marquette Artist Collective is a group of working artists and art supporters from Marquette. They host a number of gatherings, workshops, local art displays, gallery shows, and social events, under the common goal of supporting one another's creativity and the arts in the Marquette community by connecting artists for communication and growth. Conceived in 2017, the Collective has grown rapidly from three artists to over two dozen and members work can be found around town in various restaurants, businesses and their collectively owned space, “The Gallery” on Washington Street. July's Deo Gallery exhibit features the work of Collective members, encompassing a variety of media. An artist reception will be held on Thursday, July 11 from 6-8 p.m. It is free, open to the public and refreshments will be provided.

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July 1–29, The Deo Gallery

Brian Burroughs
Aug. 1–31, The Deo Gallery

August's Deo Gallery exhibition will feature graphite drawings by Escanaba-based artist Brian Burroughs. Burroughs is an Upper Peninsula native and graduate of Northern Michigan University where he earned his BFA in Art and Design. Over the years, he has experimented in all different types of media including oil, acrylic, pastel, ink and clay, though he is best known for his graphite pencil drawings. His bizarre and original ideas, which have been dubbed “realistic surrealism”, are said to be both thought-provoking and somewhat disturbing. He has been featured in a number of juried shows, including the ArtPrize competition in Grand Rapids.
Power of Words Mural Project

The Upper Peninsula Power of Words mural project expanded this past spring with three new mural projects in Manistique, Gladstone and Marquette through a Michigan Economic Development Corporation Patronicity crowdfunding campaign. This project is also supported by the Svelata Foundation, Art Place, Lake Effect Community Arts, Schoolcraft Tourism and Commerce and the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center. The crowdfunding campaign raised $23,000, surpassing the goal of $20,000 necessary for the MEDC to match with grant funding made possible by their Public Spaces Community Places program. With funding secured, the City is getting a mural!

The mural will be painted on the former McDonald's Music Store on the corner of Ohio and Third Streets. Building owners Kate Lewandowski and Chris Ray approached Tiina Harris, the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Manager, last year and inquired how to create a professional mural. Through the Upper Peninsula Arts and Culture Alliance, Harris was connected to the Power of Words Project. After several conversations with the building owners, the Project agreed the location in Marquette was a perfect match.

Iron Mountain native Mia Tavonatti, an internationally renowned artist and muralist, will head the creation of the mural. Local professional artists are encouraged to assist with the painting of the mural. Participants will be chosen through an application process.

Local high school juniors and seniors and college students are also welcome to participate in the mural’s creation through a special scholarship and mentorship program! The program will pay $250 for at least 25 hours of painting and the painters will work closely under Tavonatti. Students will be selected for the scholarship program through a separate application process. There will also be volunteer opportunities for other students who want to contribute.

Those interested in being a part of the mural’s creation should contact the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center for more information and an application.

The mural’s theme will be decided via an online, community vote. If you could choose ONE WORD that defines your vision for the future of Marquette, what would it be? A list of 15 nominated words was assembled and the community has the opportunity to vote on which word they want the mural to be designed around. Those interested can vote for their favorite at https://powerofwordsproject.org/marquette-mi-2019/.

Painting will take start in August. For more information about the Power of Words Project, please visit https://www.patronicity.com/project/the_power_of_words_project#!/.

Creative Community Series

MACC Open Studio
Every Wednesday, 1-4 p.m.
MACC Studio #1 or 2
This group is open to all and every type of artist to join, work on individual projects, share in collective passion for the arts, foster friendship and learn from and with each other.

Watercolors with Carl Mayer
Tuesday, Aug. 27, 1-4 p.m., MACC Studio #1
Join locally and nationally acclaimed artist Carl Mayer for a monthly watercolor workshop held at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center. The cost of the class is $35, please call 906-226-8834 to register.

LSAA Program: Watercolor Workshop with David R. Smith
July 17-19, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., MACC Studio #1
David R. Smith is a watercolor artist based out of Minneapolis, Minnesota. He will be teaching a three-day workshop with the Lake Superior Art Association. The cost of the class is $300, please email Michele at mtuccini@chartermi.net to register.

Experiments in Art with Elizabeth Howe
July 8-12, Aug. 5-9, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., MACC Studio #1
Students will make several different projects, learning the variety of things artists make into art. All supplies provided. Registration will be $175 for each week, contact the MACC or email elizabethhowestudios@gmail.com to register.
Congregate Meals at the Senior Center

In partnership with the Alger-Marquette Community Action nutrition program, come enjoy a healthy, nutritionally balanced lunch at the Marquette Senior Center located at 300 W. Spring St. If you are 60 years or older, or if you are the spouse of a person 60 years or older, you qualify to receive a meal.

We will be providing a congregate meal every other Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. July meals will be on July 2, 16 and 30.

Please sign up in advance by calling 906-228-0456 if you would like to attend a meal and join in the food and fellowship.
Police Department Receives Accreditation

The Marquette City Police Department was recently awarded accreditation from the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police. Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances. The foundation of accreditation lies in the voluntary adoption of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives. Participating agencies conduct a thorough self-analysis to determine which of their existing operations already meet some of the standards and/or how the procedures can be adapted to meet the standards and professional objectives. When the procedures are in place, a team of trained assessors verifies that applicable standards have been successfully implemented and the agency is in compliance. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of written directives, policies and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

The Marquette City Police Department is the first police force in the Upper Peninsula to receive this accreditation.