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LOCAL NEWS

Iosco County Fair hits 78th rendition, 'Family Fun for All Ages'

by John Morris

HALE - The Iosco County Agricultural Society is offering "Family Fun for All Ages" for the 78th rendition of the Iosco County Fair.

The Iosco County Fair opens Monday, July 25, at the fairgrounds in Hale and continues through Saturday, July 30. And this year entrance gate admission is free during fair week thanks to Hale Assembly of God, Happy Acres Real Estate, Wilson Trucking & Excavating and Wilson & Sons Septic Cleaning, Scofield Real Estate, Rigg Land Surveying and TCA Insurance, and Hale Area FISH.

The fair gates will open at 4 p.m. Monday, July 25. Highlighted events include a Flag Dedication Ceremony at 4 p.m. at the fair office and Heavyweight Draft Horse Pulls at 7 p.m. at the Exhibition Grandstand.

Tuesday, July 26 is designated as "Armed Forces Appreciation Day" at the fair with the Midway opening that day at 2 p.m. Other highlighted events are Side by Side and Mega Truck Races presented by Michigan Mud Jam at 7 p.m. at the Exhibition Grandstand and musical entertainment by Alabaster Sun, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Entertainment Tent.

"Senior Citizen Recognition Day" is Wednesday, July 27. One grandparent can ride Midway rides for free, when it opens at 2 p.m., with a paid grandchild. Night of Destruction - Featuring Auto Soccer is the highlighted event that day at 7 p.m. at the Exhibition Grandstand.

The Livestock Arena is hosting highlighted events at the fair on Thursday, July 28, "Agricultural Day," with Jr. Barnyard Olympics



Photo by Jenny Haglund

FAMILY TRADITION - Now five generations in, the Urias Family Daredevils have been captivating crowds with their "Globe of Death" routine, for nearly 100 years. Performing in a space with a diameter of only 16 feet, three motorcyclists cruised around the brave Jodie Urias, who was all smiles while standing in the center of the globe during the Iosco County Fair in Hale last year. Reaching speeds of up to 50 miles per hour, the cyclists were at times within mere inches of each other - and Urias - during the impressive feat.

at 11 a.m., Barnyard Olympics at 1 p.m. and the Livestock Auction at 6 p.m.

An Off Road Demo Derby - Bump N Run at 7 p.m. at the Exhibition Grandstand is the main event highlighting fair activities on Friday, July 29. The FFA Chicken BBQ starts at 4 p.m. at the Entertainment Tent and the band Atomic Sound provides musical entertainment from 7 to 9:30 p.m. also in the Entertainment Tent.

"Ag Education Day" ends the fair on Saturday, July 30. Games

and Contests for all ages starts things off at 9:30 a.m. and will be followed by the Iosco County Fair Parade, which follows M-65 north through downtown Hale, at noon. Agricultural Education Activities will be held at the Livestock Bard from 1 to 3 p.m. A Petal Pull in front of the Fair Office starts at 3 p.m., the FFA Hog Roast Dinner in the Entertainment Tent is at 4 p.m., the Iosco County Fair Talent Contest begins at 7 p.m. in the Entertainment Tent and the Exhibition Grandstand will host Flying Star Rodeo Productions Pro Ro-

deo at 7 p.m.

Ongoing shows held during the fair include The Comedy Farm Magic Review and Wild World of

Animals.

For a detailed schedule of events, visit IoscoCountyFair.com.

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2022 Summer Tourist Guide

Editor - John Morris

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Photo by Ryan Herzog

BIG RIG - A big rig opens up its engines to make a big, muddy splash.

Michigan Mud Jam is slated

by Ryan Herzog

HALE - Sturgis may have its hogs, but Hale has its monsters.

The annual Michigan Mud Jam will take place between Aug. 16-21 this year in the Iosco County Fairgrounds.

Of course, the main feature - mud, is never in short supply. Thousands of gallons of water gush out on a pristine mud pit with whatever absurd contraptions brave attendants tinkered on in the year leading up to this event.

Some rigs look state-of-the-art, with shiny coats of paint and massive engines that completely rip through the muck. Other look like they were cobbled together by spare parts found in the junkyard.

It doesn't matter though, they all get covered in a thick coat of brown mud - the messier the better.

Even if you're a spectator, you better not be shy about getting a little mud on you. At the very least, everything standing still gets covered in a thin layer of dust, plus a few splashes of mud. That is just a rule of Mud Jam.

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LOCAL NEWS

Grueling canoe marathon set for July 30-31

by John Morris

OSCODA – The Consumers Energy AuSable River Canoe Marathon will be hard pressed to repeat last year's record-breaking finish.

First-time winners Jordan Wakeley, 31, of Grayling and Matt Meersman, 44, of South Bend, Ind. claimed the lead about two hours into the race then dominated the waters from there, winning the marathon in a record time of 13:54:09.

That timing record has stood since 1994. The 2020 race was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The last weekend in July marks the 74th year for what's been called the most grueling and challenging canoe race in the world: the AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

Paddlers in this year's race, set for July 30-31, will cover 120 miles of the AuSable's twists and turns from Grayling to Oscoda, paddling more than 50,000 strokes by the time they reach the finish line.

Last year, 83 two-person teams began in the streets of downtown Grayling, where they ran four blocks; with canoes in hand, to put in the water near the Old AuSable Fly Shop. Teams raced non-stop from there, portaging over six dams until they reached the finish line at Oscoda's Finish Line Park after a grueling 14-to-19 hour sufferfest.

Every year, the canoe marathon draws tens of thousands of visitors and race fans to the banks of the mighty AuSable to watch and cheer on their favorite teams, some of them keeping track from every bridge to every dam.

The canoe marathon starts in Grayling at 9 p.m. July 30 when a cannon is fired and paddlers get a running start to launch their boats into the river. This is the beginning of their nonstop journey as



Photo by Ben Murphy

NIGHT RACING – A group of five canoes are seen from underneath McMasters Bridge during the early hours of last year during the AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

they continue a 50- to 60-stroke per minute pace all night to Oscoda's finish line, arriving between 11 a.m. and noon the next day.

The teams will compete for more than \$50,000 in prize money, but even more gratifying than the winnings is the enormous sense of pride the winning teams take away with them. Just finishing the race is an extremely notable accomplishment in itself.

Typically more than 90 two-person teams compete in the canoe marathon.

The second place team last year of Wes Dean, 26, of Grayling and Weston Willoughby, a former Grayling resident and now of Traverse City, finished with a time of 14:07:37.

Locally, the top finisher was former East Tawas resident Kyle Stonehouse. Stonehouse, 27, of Grayling and partner Kyle Mynar, 36, of Spring Branch, Texas, fin-

ished in seventh place, 14:24:43.

The lone canoe with a pair of local paddlers was Keith Wojahn, 57, of Tawas City and Jerry Killingbeck, 52, of East Tawas. Their steady paddling led them to a 67th place finish in a time of 17:13:25. This was also Killingbeck's 10th career finish; giving him the coveted Iron Paddler award.

The marathon also has been called the toughest spectator sport in the world, and for good reason. Many race fans will stay awake for most of the two days while following the race driving from bridge to bridge and dam to dam to cheer on their favorite teams before arriving at the finish line nearly as exhausted as the racers themselves.

For more information on the race, contact the Oscoda-AuSable Chamber of Commerce or go to the marathon's web site at www.ausablecanoemarathon.org.



Photo by Ben Murphy

MARATHON WINNERS – Jordan Wakeley, 31, of Grayling and Matt Meersman, 44, South Bend, Ind. dominated the Consumers Energy AuSable River Canoe Marathon, winning a record time of 13:54:09. Both are first time winners of the event.

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LOCAL NEWS

Feeling the blues?

The cure is in East Tawas this summer with the 20th annual 'Blues by the Bay'

by **John Morris**

EAST TAWAS – A blues/soul musician from Kansas City, Mo. is this year's headliner for the 20th annual Blues by the Bay music festival.

The festival, set for Aug. 26-28 under the big top at Harbor Park in East Tawas, is put on annually by the Tawas Bay Blues Society.

Danielle Nicole Band is the main act and will hit the blues stage at about 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27. Having music passed down from her parents, Nicole recently received her fifth Blues Music Award – most notably her third for the category of bass instrumentalist.

Blues by the Bay begins at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26 with the band *Brendon Linsley* followed at 8 p.m. with *The Jimmys*. Metro Detroit-area musician *Brendon Linsley* has been billed as a young guitar phenom who has been playing Blues at open jams since 2013. *The Jimmys*, a blues group from Madison, Wis., are said to be a powerhouse Blues festival band and a fan favorite.

Other bands performing on Saturday, Aug. 27 include Detroit bluesman *Lester Hambone Brown* at noon, *Nicky T and the Snake Charmers* at 2 p.m., *Harper and the Midwest Kind* at 4 and *Paul Nelson Band* at 6.

Brown, a Flint native, is a Detroit Blues legend; while Detroit's *Nicky T and the Snake Charmers* are a stone cold blues band with a contemporary edge. Award-winning Australian singer/songwriter Peter D. Harper is returning to the Tawas blues stage; and Nelson is an American modern Grammy award winning blues/rock guitarist, producer, and songwriter.

Rounding out the festival on Sunday, Aug. 28 are *Sweet Willie Tea* at 1 p.m. and *Motor City Josh & The Big 3* at 3 p.m.

Sweet Willie Tea is a one-man Blues band featuring Michigan guitarist Bill Toll; and *Motor City Josh* is a Detroit veteran blues journeyman.

Admission to Blues by the Bay is a \$35 souvenir button, good for all three days of the festival. Food and drinks are available. While some picnic tables are available on the festival grounds, most people attending the festival bring their own chairs.

For more information, visit www.bluesbythebaytawas.org.



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HEADLINER – *Dwayne Dopsie and the Zydeco Hellraisers* was the 2021 Blues by the Bay headliner.



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WINE SAMPLE – Volunteer Donna Feldt pours a wine sample at last year's festival.

Tawas uncork'd is 'grape success'

EAST TAWAS – Visitors can sip choice Michigan wines and ales and sample local cuisine at the 12th annual Tawas Uncork'd Wine, Ale & Food Festival.

The Saturday, Aug. 6 event will be held from noon to 6 p.m. inside a tent at East Tawas Harbor Park.

Tawas Uncork'd, a Friends of the East Tawas Library benefit to raise funds for the library, will bring Michigan wine, Michigan ales, food and mellow music to the Sunrise Side. Tickets are available at the door.



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LOCAL NEWS

Summerfest opens 2022 rendition in Tawas

by John Morris

EAST TAWAS – The three-day Tawas Bay Summerfest kicks off its 15th annual rendition in July.

Set for July 8-10, Summerfest starts on Friday, July 8 with events at Tawas City's Shoreline Park. Those events include Bouncy Houses from noon to 8 p.m., a Cornhole Tournament will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. and live music with *FLiPSiDE* is set for 6 to 10 p.m.

Activities on Saturday, July 9 begin with the Light up the Bay 5K that starts at 9 a.m. on Newman Street in downtown East Tawas.

There has been a change this year for the Car Cruise, which takes to the streets at 6 p.m., line-up is from 5 to 6 p.m. at Dean Arbour Ford along M-55, Tawas City.

Here's the route for this year's Summerfest Car Cruise: Exit Dean Arbour Ford, Across to Victoria Lane, Right onto Victoria Lane, Right into Lakeview Manor, Left onto Fifth Avenue, Left onto North Street, Right onto Third Avenue, Left onto Whittemore Street, Left onto US-23 North, Right onto Tawas Beach Road, through Tawas Point State Park, exit onto Tawas Beach Road, go Straight through light onto Elliott



Photo by John Morris

CAR CRUISE – Rory and Kelly-Anne Smith of Tawas City and their classic ride were among 149 vehicles during Summerfest Car Cruise.

Blvd., Left onto Lincoln Street, Right onto Wadsworth Street, left onto Airport Road, Right onto North Tawas Lake Road, through Tawas Village, Right onto North Tawas Lake Road, Left on Warren Avenue, Straight onto Maple Drive, Left onto West Tawas Lake Road, Right onto Newman Street. A Street Dance will be held from 7 to 11 p.m. on Newman

Street featuring *No Baloney*. Summerfest wraps up on Sunday, July 10 with a Breakfast Fly-In at the Iosco County Airport from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The popular Car Show on Newman Street starts at 8 a.m. and concludes with the awards ceremony at 3 p.m. For more information, visit tawassummerfest.com.

61st annual Waterfront Fine Art Show is Aug. 6-7

by John Morris

TAWAS CITY – Tawas Bay is the picturesque backdrop Aug. 6-7 for one of Michigan's most prestigious and longest running fine art shows.

Dozens of artisans will exhibit their works during the 61st annual Tawas Bay Waterfront Fine Art Show. The show is held at Tawas City's Shoreline Park and is being put on by the Tawas Bay Arts Council and Gallery.

Visitors to this year's fine art show will find art works and other collectibles that will be judged

in many media categories. Each category will receive first through third place ribbons and cash awards will be presented Aug. 6 in the park gazebo including to the top "Best of Show" exhibitor.

Artists in the juried show are required to make application and send in color photographs or slides of their work for scrutiny by a selection committee. The committee looks at the quality of each work, type of display to be used and the number of participants showing the same medium before deciding if the artist should be al-

lowed in the show. This festival includes all hand-crafted media: graphic arts, oil painting, acrylic painting, pottery, sculpture, wood carving, jewelry, painting on 3-dimensional items, baskets and more. This is an artist-friendly juried fine arts show and sale with awards.

Don't miss the music, demonstrations and sand castle building on the beach. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Aug. 6 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Aug. 7.



Photo by John Morris

BEST OF SHOW – Greg Jones of Flushing won Best of Show for his pen and ink and watercolor artwork. He specializes in tree houses, Star Wars and pop art.



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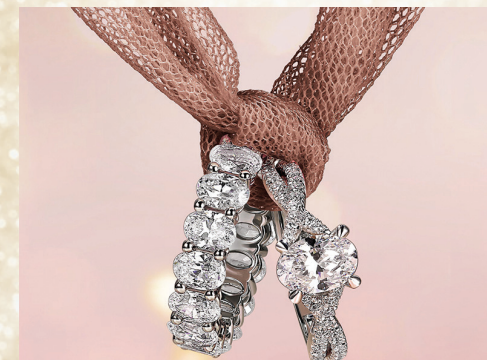
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LOCAL NEWS

County officials remind residents to be cautious with fireworks

by Ryan Herzog

OSCODA – Fireworks are as central a tradition to fourth of July as is gift giving on Christmas.

Even though they can be a blast, they still carry some risk, as they are explosives that have the potential to cause injury when handled improperly.

Chief Bill Deckett of the East Tawas Fire Department (ETFD) said his fire department has a history of going out on fireworks calls. Around this time, he says he sees more fireworks injuries than fires caused by fireworks.

Bottle rockets are especially problematic, he says.

“We have a large area of wild-land urban interface, where you have houses in close proximity to state or federal forest. We’ve had cases over the years where they started the woods on fire. You could not only burn down the woods you could burn down the house next to the forest.”

The fact that bottle rockets and other projectile fireworks travel makes them impossible to control once they’re lit. Their trajectories are unpredictable at best and at worse, dangerous.

“One time, we had a call where a person was shooting fireworks over the lake. Well, a boat came across the water and a firework came down at the right angle and caught it on fire.”

In addition to watching for fireworks on the lake, boaters should also keep their eyes on the water, as drivers dazzled by pretty lights have collided with one another. Always practice situational awareness in any situation when operating a motor vehicle.

Officer Danny Gallahar of the Oscoda Police Department also says the type of fireworks they get the most calls on are bottle rockets and trajectory fireworks.

“They are the ones people complain and call the most about. They can cause injury or harm when errant,” he says.

Bottle rockets and mortars are the most visible and “in your face” when lit, so people tend to be more wary of those if they see them in their neighborhood.

Fireworks are only allowed in public spaces the day before, the day of and the day after specified federal holidays such as the Fourth of July. Still, there are specific areas where they are restricted. Be sure to check with law enforcement where you are allowed to light fireworks before you find out another way, such as getting arrested or fined.

Operations Manager/Paramedic of Iosco County Ray Bruning II said the fireworks that cause the most injuries are firecrackers and small explosives people typically light by hand. It’s not uncommon for these fireworks to blow off fingers, which are unrecoverable.

“A lot of times, unfortunately with fireworks, there’s too much damage,” says Bruning. “Even if we’re able to find the missing appendages, they’re not able to be salvaged. The vasculature, everything; there’s usually portions missing and the portions we find are incapable of getting blood to flow.”

He says it’s not uncommon to get three to four calls per season on blown and amputated fingers.

“You should not (hold a firework),” says Officer Gallahar. “You should do so in a safe manner as per instructed to on the packaging.”

“I sure wouldn’t hold them,” says Chief Deckett. “I don’t know if there’s a recommended way to do it safely.”

“Some of the stuff can be pretty gory,” says Paramedic Bruning. “Those things are created for kids to have fun with so you don’t think of them being the small bombs they



Photo by Jason Ogden

LIGHTING UP THE SKY – Fireworks of all types and colors were launched over Lake Huron at the Oscoda Beach Park, from the beach’s pier, in recognition of Independence Day 2021.

really are.”

Paramedic Bruning says another thing to keep in mind, is if one of his patients were to experience burns from accelerants or fireworks, is the closest specialty medical center that can treat those cases are two hours away. Those who play with fire are urged to practice extreme caution to avoid having to take that long trip to Hurley Medical Center.

Chief Deckett says he doesn’t even touch fireworks as they aren’t

worth it. Instead, he says to buy a bag of dog food for an animal shelter.

Animal control sees an increase in runaways around the fourth of July because of the loud noises. Many dogs are sensitive to the noise and go into hiding to get away.

Another thing to be considerate of is some veterans who experience Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder

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LOCAL NEWS

Bike Night returns to downtown Oscoda

by **Manuela Kress**

OSCODA – Although it was uncertain if the weather would cooperate, Bike Night returned to The Office Bar and Grill on Dwight Street in downtown Oscoda on Thurs. June 9. The inaugural event for the season featured a wide variety of motorcycles that were parked on the closed off street.

Randy Hauck attended Bike Night with his son, Cameron, who works at Kalitta. Hauck left Madison, Wis. on his 2017 Can Am Spider at 7 a.m. to participate in Bike Night prior to traveling on to Mackinac on Friday for a bike rally.

The band *No Baloney* provided entertainment for the night as bikers and other fun seekers checked out the motorcycles on display. With Chris Shaw singing, Braydon Morrish on electric guitar, Scott Karrer on drums and Tom Loomis on bass guitar, the cover band played classic rock tunes by *ACDC*, *Motley Crew*, and many others.

The band formed 13 years ago and began playing at the AuSable Inn. Shaw said he is the only original member, however, he thinks the band currently has the best combination of musicians that it has ever had.

Braydon Morrish, who received his first guitar at the age of 10, wowed the crowd with his guitar playing as he moved through the attendees. One of the attendees referred to Morrish as a child prodigy who now plays in a number of local bands. *No Baloney* will be returning to Bike Night on two more occasions this summer (see schedule below).

Shaw was in charge of picking the winning motorcycle. He chose a black Harley Davidson with a custom paint job that included an intricate gold and red design. The owner of the motorcycle received a gift certificate to The Office.

Bike Night will take place on Thursdays starting at 6 p.m. during

the months of June, July and August. According to Marc Harger, the new owner of The Office, live bands will be performing on June 23 (*Weekend Warriors Band*), July 7 (*The Dasalle Bros. Band*), July 21 (*No Baloney*), Aug. 4 (*Weekend Warriors*) and Aug. 18 (*No Baloney*).

A DJ will be spinning tunes on June 16, June 30, July 14, July 28, Aug. 11 and Aug. 25.

The Office offers food, drinks and outside seating during Bike Night.

Bike Night started in 2008 as a way of bringing motorcycle enthusiasts together to the downtown area.



Photo by Manuela Kress

ENJOYING THE EVENT — Attendees enjoy the cool, sunny weather while listening to classic rock played by the band *No Baloney*.

FIREWORKS

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(PTSD) hearing the shells and fireworks go off in their local area.

“It reminds them of a chopper or some rough times and it fires them up,” said Stuart Smith of the American Legion at the Hale VFW post 422. “There’s nothing the veterans can do about it and some veterans it

affects and some it doesn’t.”

If there’s a veteran in the area who experiences trauma at the sound of loud blasts, it’s best to consider moving to another location or making arrangements to launch fireworks when they’re not in the area.

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June 30th–Aug. 19th Rotary of Oscoda “Concerts on the Beach” (Thursdays 7 p.m.)
June–August Bike Night Office Lounge & Grill (Thursday 6 p.m.)
July 3rd Paul Bunyan Challenge Races (customerservice@3disciplines.com)
July 4th 11 a.m. Fourth of July Parade US-23-Furtaw Field south to Mill St. 5 p.m. Community picnic Oscoda Beach Park at water pad Dusk fireworks
July 15th–17th Shoreline Players Theater “Hats Off to Broadway 3”
July 16th Country Music Tribute - American Legion 7 p.m.
July 16th–17th The Curley Memorial Canoe Race
July 22nd–23rd Shoreline Players Theater “Hats Off to Broadway 3”
July 25th–30th Iosco County Fair
July 26th Da\$h for the Ca\$h Canoe Race (contact@ausablecanoeamarathon.org)
July 30th–31st AuSable River International Canoe Race
August 6th US-23 Restorations Car Show 5-7 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Car Cruise at Veterans Memorial Park to American Legion
August 7th Oscoda Cars & Crafts Show - Veterans Park 10 a.m.
Aug. 12th–13th Rockfest 12:30 p.m.-Midnight
Aug. 17th–21st Alcona County Fair
Aug. 20th–21st Wurtsmith Air Museum Two Day Fly In & Pancake Breakfast
August 25th Special Olympics Benefit Concert Oscoda Beach Bandshell 7 p.m.
 Date to be announced: Battle for the Paddle Scholarship Golf Challenge

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FLY-IN – Pilots from across Michigan fly in to enjoy a pancake breakfast and visit the Wurtsmith Air Museum Fly-In and Pancake Breakfast in this view from last year. This year's two-day Fly-in and Breakfast is set for Aug. 20-21 at the Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport. Last year's event drew in 44 planes from the Upper Peninsula, Grand Rapids, Flint, Saginaw and other local airports. The Oscoda Rotary Club served up over 300 adult breakfasts and the Rotary upped its game by adding blueberry and chocolate chip pancakes to the options, which was a hit with the breakfast goers.

All Lakes Block Party returns for second year

by John Morris

SAND LAKE – A new event from last year is returning this year at a new date.

The second annual All Lakes Block Party will be held this year July 1-3 the Sand Lake Heights Men's Association property, located at 4059 Indian Lake Rd.

Activities on Friday, July 1 start with an ICCOA Senior Lunch at noon followed by a Euchre Tournament. Bingo for Adults is at 6 p.m., a Brown Bag Auction gets underway at 8:30 p.m. and an Outdoor Family Movie, on a 25-foot screen, starts at dusk.

A Parade begins events on Saturday, July 2 begin with the Parade at 10 a.m. with the Family Midway set for noon to 3 p.m. A Craft Show will be held all day and the Women's Fast Food Service Window is from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. A Corn Hole Tournament will be held at 2 p.m. and music



Photo by Patricia Alvord

SAND LAKE HOP – In the float competition, individuals responsible for creating the Sand Lake Hop took first place for the All Lakes Block Party parade competition last year.

by *FLiPSiDE* is from 7 to 11 p.m.

Please Show Off Your Toys – an event for classic cars, golf carts, tractors, etc., and a Craft Show, will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

on Sunday, July 3. Women's Fast Food Service Window is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and music by *Half Deck* also will be held during that time.

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4: Independence Day Parade 11am
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8-10: Summerfest (www.tawassummerfest.com)

9: Light Up the Bay 5K

23: Friends of Tawas Point Golf Scramble

22-31: *I Love Lacy*- Tawas Bay Players

August

6: Tawas Uncork'd Wine, Ale and Food Festival

5-7: *Orphan Train*- WE Players, Inc.

6-7: Tawas Bay Waterfront Fine Arts Festival

11-13: East Tawas Sidewalk Sales

26-28: Blues By the Bay

September

3-4: Labor Day Arts & Crafts show

29: Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing

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