January 2018

13 Audie’s Scholarship Ball – Mackinaw City
20 Winterfest – Mackinaw City
19-21 MCAA Art Exhibit - A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
20 Mackinaw Outhouse Races -2pm  www.mackinawouthouserace.com - Mackinaw City
27 Ice Fishing Tournament on Carp Lake at DNR Access – Hosted by the Paradise Lake Association
31 Total Lunar Eclipse viewing at Headlands 5:45-8:30 am

February 2018

3 Snowshoe hike the 600-acre wood at Headlands 2 pm
10 Mardi Gras Dance at Headlands 5:30pm-8pm
15-18 Labatt Blue Pond Hockey Championship- St. Ignace
18 MG Bridal Show at Audie’s

March 2018

2-3 UP Scramble and Glow Ball Challenge
3 Straits of Mackinac State Park Summer Job Fair, St. Anthony’s Church, 10:00 – 2:00
10 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 8-10 pm
11 Cabin Fever Dinner by Mackinaw Area Historical Society at Audie’s 5-7pm
17 Michigan Works! Job Fair with the Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce
17 Astrophotography lecture and workshop with Shawn Malone at Headlands 7:30-10 pm
18 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2 pm

April 2018

1-9 2nd Annual Mackinac Meltdown Celebration
1 Spring Break Splash at Pirate’s Adventure Waterpark
2 2nd Annual Taste of Mackinac
3 Home and Gun Show at Little Bear East- St. Ignace
6-8 Mackinaw Raptor Fest www.mackinawraptorfest.org
7 International Bridal Expo
7-8 Annual Midwest Roller Derby
7 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 9-11 pm
11 Airport After Hours-Regional Business After Hour Event 5:30-7:30pm
20 Outdoor Lighting Forum luncheon at Headlands 11am - 1 pm
20 Statewide Astronomy Night at Headlands 8-10 pm
20-21 Jeep the Mac – St. Ignace www.stignace.com/event/jeep-the-mac
29 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2 pm

May 2018

2 Colonial Michilimackinac open for season, 9:00
4 Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park open for season
4 Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse open for season
5 4th Annual Mackinaw City Magic Color Fun Run – 5k & 1 mile kids run/ walk- Trailhead- A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
5 Spring briefing hike at Headlands 10 am
12 Cosmic Gizmos and Gadgets at Headlands 8:30-10 pm
19 St. Ignace Rock and Run Half Marathon/5k
25 Fireworks at dusk over Lake Huron- Conkling Heritage Park
26 15th Annual Mackinaw Memorial Bridge Run – Mackinaw City-Call for Registration Event Info
26 Memorial Day Parade 1 PM and Fireworks at Dusk by MAVB – Mackinaw City
26 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 10 pm-12 am
26-28 Colonial Michilimackinac Pageant – Mackinaw City
27 Native American Festival Museum of Ojibwa Culture- St. Ignace
28 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2 pm
28 Memorial Day Observance 10am- Marina Lawn to Cemetery- American Legion

June 2018

Fireworks at dusk over Lake Huron- every Friday Memorial Day through Labor Day- Conkling Heritage Park
1-3 Troop Mackinaw #1 – Mackinaw City www.troopmackinaw.com
4 The King’s Birth-Day Celebration-Mackinac State Historic Parks
16-17 Annual Lilac Festival (Parade Sunday, 17th) – Mackinaw Island
8-10 Troop Mackinaw #2 – Mackinaw City www.troopmackinaw.com
9 Historic Downtown Mackinac open for season
9-10 Soldiers of the King: The British Garrison of Michilimackinac Theme Weekend, Colonial Michilimackinac, 9:00 – 7:00 pm
9-10 Big Mac Spring Shoreline Scenic Bike Tour & Sunday Ride Across Mackinac Bridge – Mackinaw City
14 Taste of Mackinac- Mackinac Island
18 Crescent Moon Monday with Norbert Vance, EMU Astronomy at Headlands 9-10:30 pm
21 Native American Solstice traditions at Headlands 4-11 pm
22-23 Antiques on the Bay Classic & Antique Car Show – St. Ignace
22-24 Rendezvous at the Straits: Voyager Culture Theme Weekend, Colonial Michilimackinac, 9:00 – 7:00 pm
23 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 11-1 am
24 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2 pm
25-29 Discovery Camp – Heritage Village – Mackinaw City
28 First Full Moon of Summer evening cruise with Mary Stewart Adams and Shepler's 9:15-10:45 pm
28-30 St Ignace Car Show Weekend (Friday, 7 pm, parade) – St. Ignace
30 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 11 on-1 am
30-Jul 1 Premier Arts & Craft Show, Saturday 8-7, Sunday 10-3 – Mackinaw City

July 2018

Fireworks at Dusk Every Friday Memorial Day through Labor Day- Conkling Heritage Park
Music in Mackinaw- July and August Tuesday’s, Saturday’s and Select Fridays 8pm- FREE at Conkling Heritage Park
Lunch at St. Helena Island Light- www.gllka.org July 8, July 15, July 22 and July 29- A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
1 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2pm
2 Independence Day Parade in St. Ignace—St. Ignace
4 Waterfront Events, Music & Fireworks at Dusk – Mackinaw City
4 Mackinaw Woman’s Club Strawberry Social 12:30- 4:30– Marina Lawn - A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
TBA Mackinaw Community Cash Bash Raffle and Annual Meeting
3 Cross Quarter Day Hike at Headlands 2-4 pm
10 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 7-9 pm
17 Leonid Meteor Shower and Lantern Walk at Headlands 4-7 pm

October 2018

5-6 Fort Bright: Colonial Michilimackinac, 6:30-9:30 A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event! www.mackinacparks.com
5-7 Great Pumpkin Hunt- Chamber of Commerce – Mackinaw City
5-6 US 23 Lake Huron Discovery Tour www.us23heritagesroute.org
5-14 Annual Fall Shopping Festival - Mackinaw City
6-7 Fall Fest at the Cheboygan Lighthouse, 9-5 Saturday and Sunday GLLKA- A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
6-10 Annual Fall Festival Colors Bridge Race- MABV Pre-registration required (231)436-5664
6-8 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 8-10 pm
7-8 The Richardson and Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum, Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, Colonial Michilimackinac and Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park last day of operation for 2018 season
9 Ghost Supper/Spfmt Feast by Mackinaw Area Historical Society at Heritage Village 2-4 pm
10 Orionid Meteor Shower viewing at Headlands 7:30-9:30 pm
11 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12:2-2 pm
10th annual Headlands Challenge 8-10 pm

November

TBA Mackinaw Community Cash Bash Raffle and Annual Meeting
3 Cross Quarter Day Hike at Headlands 2-4 pm
10 Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 7-9 pm
17 Leonid Meteor Shower and Lantern Walk at Headlands 4-7 pm
December

1  Christmas in Mackinaw – by Mackinaw Area Historical Society at Heritage Village - A Meet Mackinaw Showcase Event!
8  Public Observing at Headlands Observatory 6-8 pm
13 Geminid Meteor Shower program at Headlands 7-10 pm
21 Winter Solstice Under Starry Skies at Headlands 4-7 pm
30 Solar Observing at Headlands Observatory 12-2 pm

LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUES
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Kewadin Casino www.kewadin.com 1-800-KEWADIN
Cheboygan Opera House
www.theoperahouse.org  231-627-5432

Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce – 231-436-5574 www.mackinawchamber.com
Village of Mackinaw City – (231) 436-5351 www.mackinawcity.org
Mackinaw Area Visitor’s Bureau – 800-666-0160 or 231-436-5664 www.mackinawcity.com
Mackinaw Crossings Mall – (231) 436-5030 www.mackinawcrossings.com
Cheboygan Chamber of Commerce & Tourist Bureau – 800-968-3302 or 231-627-7183 www.cheboygan.com
Emmet County (Headlands International Dark Sky Park, McGulpin Point Lighthouse) www.emmetcounty.org or www.midarkskypark.org
Indian River Chamber of Commerce – 800-EXIT-310 or 231-238-9325 www.irchamber.com
Mackinac Island Visitor’s Bureau – 906-847-6418 or 800-4-LILACS www.mackinacisland.org
St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce – 800-970-8717 or 906-643-8717 www.saintignace.org
St. Ignace Visitor’s Bureau 1-800-338-6660 www.saintignace.com
Mackinac State Historic Parks – www.mackinacparks.com
Paradise Lake Association –www.paradiselaKEassociation.org

Calendar event postings as of 2-13-18
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