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July 26-27 *CopperFest*, Ontonagon

July 26-27 White Pine 4th of July Community Picnic & Fireworks, (7/26 4pm-7pm at Amer. Legion, 7/27 Fireworks at dusk)

July 27 CopperFest Car & Bike Show, FREE registration. Win trophies and cash prizes! Register 9am, Show 10am-5pm in downtown

Ontonagon

July 27 Ontonagon County Fair, Ontonagon County Fairgrounds in Greenland

July 27 Day in Clay, Ewen (Details inside)

July 28 Adventure Mountain Horse Show, Ontonagon County Fairgrounds in Greenland

Aug 1-3 Land O'Lakes & Conover Community Garage Sales, 8am-4pm CT both days, Land O'Lakes and Conover, WI

Aug 2-3 28th Anniversary Music Weekend, Northern Waters Casino Resort, Watersmeet (Details inside)

Aug 3-4 Range Art Studio Tour, Both days 10am-4 pm CT, Ironwood - From Big Powderhorn to Little Girl's Point (Details inside)

Aug 6 VOTE! - STATE PRIMARY ELECTION (Details inside)

Aug 10 Ontonagon Area Gladiator Booster Bonanza, 6:30pm, Ontonagon (Details inside)

Aug 10 Merriweather Centennial Celebration, 11am-5pm, Merriweather Pavilion, Merriweather, MI (Details inside)

Aug 12-18 U.P. State Fair, Daily Entertainment w/ daily special events. UP State Fairgrounds at 2401 12th Ave. North, Escanaba

Aug 17 Boppin' Bob Bags Tournament, Bruce Crossing

Aug 18 Old Victoria Craft Fair, 9am-5pm, Old Victoria Restoration location/ Rockland

Aug 22-24 70th Annual Range Art Show & Art Market, 10am-5:30pm CT, Ironwood Memorial

Building Auditorium (Details inside)

Aug 23-24 *Porcupine Mountains Music Festival*, Volunteers get FREE pass:

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Aug 31 Annual Fly-In at Pickett-Grooms Airfield 6Y9, Sidnaw

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Sept 2 LABOR DAY

Sept Labor Day Festival, downtown Ontonagon

Sept 14 Land O'Lakes Oktoberfest, The Snowflake at 6492 Town Hall Rd,

Land O'Lakes, WI

Sept 27-28 Log Jamboree, Ewen

OTTAWA SHOPPER

THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

NEXT EDITIONS OF THE OTTAWA SHOPPER WILL BE PUBLISHED THE WEEKS OF...

JULY 29, 2024 (Submissions Due July 24)

AUGUST 12, 2024 (Submissions Due Aug 7)

AUGUST 26, 2024 (Submissions Due Aug 21)

HERE'S A SUMMARY OF ONTONAGON COUNTY'S PROPOSALS THAT WILL APPEAR ON BALLOTS

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON AUGUST 6, 2024!

ONTONAGON COUNTY PROPOSALS

Public Transit Operating

This proposal will permit Ontonagon County to renew the levy of up to 1.0 mill for public transportation approved by voters in 2020. This millage covers a period of four (4) years, beginning in 2024 and continuing through 2027, on the taxable value of all property in Ontonagon County, State of Michigan, as provide by Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution, and the funds received used to fund the Ontonagon County Public Transit System operation for fiscal years 2025 through 2028. This millage is expected to generate an estimated \$343,628 in the first year.

Separate Tax Limitations

Shall separate tax limitations be continued for a period of four (4) years, 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028, or until altered by the voters of the county, for the County of Ontonagon and the townships and intermediate school districts within the county, the aggregate of which shall not exceed seven and eighty-four hundredths (7.84) mills (\$7.84 per \$1,000 of taxable value) as follows:

COUNTY	.6.52 mills
TOWNSHIPS	1.00 mills
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT	0.32 mills
TOTAL	7.84 mills

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency Senior Millage Renewal

Shall the ad valorem taxes collected on all property within the County of Ontonagon be renewed for said county by 0.30 mill (\$0.30 per \$1,000.00 of state taxable value) for a period of four years, 2025 through 2028 inclusive, the taxes so raised to be used exclusively for the operation of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency Senior Citizens Programs in Ontonagon County; and shall the County of Ontonagon levy such renewal in millage for such purposes during such period, which renewal will raise in the first year of such levy an estimated \$76,801.00. (This is the millage rate that has been in effect from 2000-2024 and represents a renewal of that millage rather than an increase.)

Ambulance Services Millage To Repeal And Replace Existing Millage

This proposal will permit the County of Ontonagon to fund all ambulance services provided by the county by authorizing a single new increased millage of 2.00 mills by repealing and replacing existing millage authorization of 1.25 mill, previously approved by the electors which expires with the 2024 levy. To repeal and replace the previous millage authorization of 1.25 mill approved in

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11:00 am Welcome and Thank You, Flag-raising and Pledge Allegiance,

Blessing by Rev. William Abrams

11:15 am Families and Military Service

11:25 am Introduction 110th District State Representative Greg Markkanen

and State Senator Ed McBroom

11:45 am HISTORY of Merriweather

12:15 pm General Recollection of Merriweather

11:00 am Cornhole Tournament Registration - 20-team Limit, 100% Payout, \$20/ team

12:30 pm Parade line-up at West end of Old M-28 - Bring your tractors, side-by-sides,

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1:00 pm PARADE - Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

KIDS' GAMES to follow parade

2:00 pm CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT and MUSIC

3:00 pm PICNIC with Burgers, Brats, & Hotdogs plus Centennial Cake! Coffee & water

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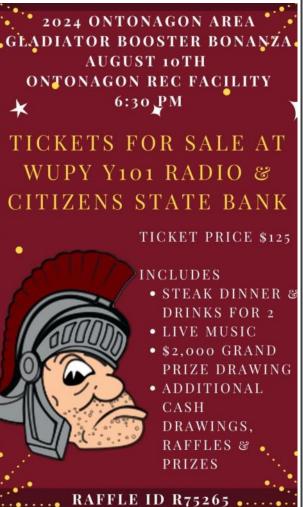
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SENIOR MILLAGE RENEWAL IN ONTONAGON COUNTY

Senior Millage Renewal is Three Tenths of One Mill (Property with a taxable value of \$35,000 would pay \$10.50) Thanks to Ontonagon County voters, this millage supports the following services for seniors:

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Ontonagon County covers a vast service area. There are many remote outlying areas where seniors live. Local senior millage dollars when combined with state and federal grant funds and user fees and donations all play an important role in providing the services that seniors say they need help with. Many employees work to provide these services on a regular basis. Transportation costs are at an all-time high. Nutrition Program raw food costs and energy costs are competing for every dollar. Ontonagon County has been a very caring community for its seniors, and seniors are always very thankful for the help they receive. Workers who have direct contact with our communities most elderly and vulnerable seniors will tell you they have the honor of knowing and serving these seniors when they are the most vulnerable. We can continue to respect our older citizens and show them we care by approving the Community Action senior millage renewal.

Remember to Vote for the Ontonagon County Senior Millage Renewal on August 6, 2024

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On behalf of Settlers Federal Credit Union, CEO Lisa Lindberg presented a check to the Ontonagon County Cancer Association (OCCA) for \$6,817.00. Settlers FCU and 51 local businesses joined forces to sponsor our 12th Annual "Knock Out Cancer" walk on June 15, 2024. One hundred and one people registered for the walk to help support OCCA and 36 participated in the walk. T-shirts were given to everyone who pre-registered. Participants also received refreshments and a lunch. Thanks to everyone who participated and donated in any way.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Settler's Co-op for donating the sub sandwiches and Kappy Ink for donating the printing cost of the tee shirts! It was a huge success! THANK YOU! See you at the upcoming events for OCCA Save the dates—Golf outing Sept. 7....

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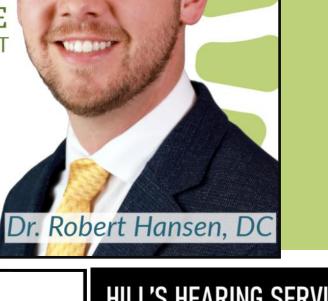
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July 15, 2024

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TROUT CREEK: Congratulations to Patty Perttula on her much-deserved retirement!

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July 15, 2024

ATTENTION MATCHWOOD TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The following Proposal will be on the August 6, 2024, ballot:

Shall Matchwood Township impose a renewal of 2.0 mills (\$2.00 per \$1000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article 1X, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, and levy it for two (2) years, 2024 through 2025 inclusive, for the General Fund, which 2.0 mills will raise an estimated \$19,270 in the first year that millage is levied.

This proposal is simply a renewal of what residents are currently paying, therefore there is no increase due to the passing of this millage. Matchwood township needs these funds for general operating costs.

If this millage is not passed, there will be an attempt to pass this in November. However, if it is passed in November election the monies will not be available for budget year 2024/2025.

The downside of the millage not passing would result in the inability to repay borrowed funds. Please give this some thought as we have the lowest operating millages of all neighboring townships.

Thank you,

Nancy Hewitt & Carla Klabechek

MATCHWOOD TOWNSHIP NOTICE PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

To the qualified voters of Matchwood Township:

Notice is herby given that the public accuracy test for the voting equipment that will be used for the August 6th, 2024 Michigan state primary election is scheduled for July 20th, 2024 at 12:00 noon, (and if required) the alternate dates of July 21st, 2024 at 2:00pm, or July 22nd, 2024 at 12:00 noon.

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- Jerry Kitzman, Matchwood Township Clerk

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better." The sponsors put this on every year in June and look forward to more and more kids coming out. Donations from Rockland Legion Post 92, Rockland Legion Post 92 Auxiliary, Ontonagon VFW Post 5600, UP Sports Fisherman Association and Citizens State Bank allowed us to stock the pond with the fish.



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MICHIGAN DNR FISHING REPORT

Week of July 10, 2024

Ontonagon River: Fishing efforts on the river increased amidst the holiday weekend. Walleye were reportedly being caught in fair numbers. Fish were most successfully caught when trolling in the early mornings.

Ontonagon/Silver City/Union Bay: Anglers reported catching lake trout in good numbers, with reports of the occasional Chinook salmon also being landed. Those trolling deeper waters seemingly had the best luck in finding fish.

Keweenaw Bay/Huron Bay: Anglers reported successfully catching lake trout, lake whitefish and salmon in Keweenaw and Huron bays. Anglers found lake trout in the highest abundance, and they were caught mostly during trolling trips. Coho and Chinook salmon were caught while trolling during morning and afternoon fishing trips. These salmon were caught mostly below 50 feet of water but were still found in a wide range of total water depths. Lake trout and whitefish were caught while jigging in both bays.

Traverse Bay/South Portage Entry Canal: Anglers reported having a lot of luck coming off the water this last week. Those launching farther north from Big Traverse Harbor found plenty of lake trout while jigging in waters from 80 to 180 feet deep. Lake trout were found mostly through the lower half of the water column during these fishing trips. Early in the week, anglers reported large Chinook salmon caught south of Big Traverse Bay and north from South Portage Entry Canal. Salmon and lake trout anglers found consistent catches on both spoons and flies.

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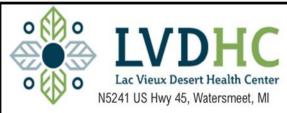
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