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Fort Gratiot Lighthouse **40**



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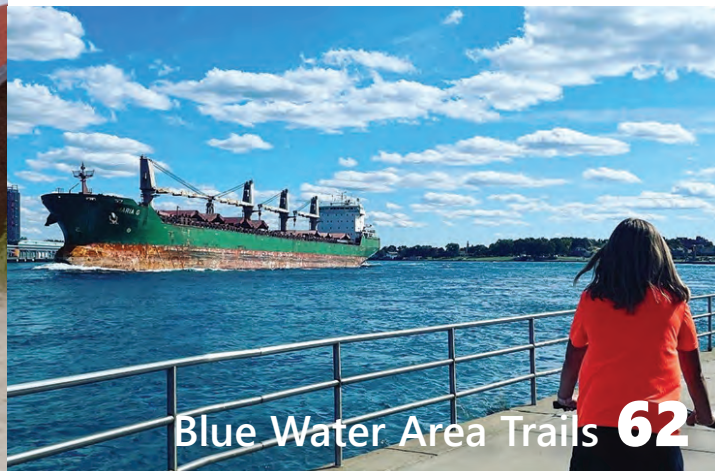
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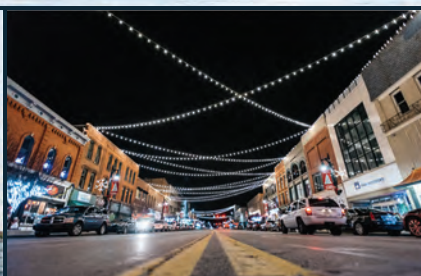
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Bridge to Bay Trail, Marine City

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**June 3**

St. Clair Waterfront  
Beer, Wine, Cocktail & Seltzer Festival

**June 24**

Antique & Classic Boat Show

**June 29 – July 2**

Algonac Pickerel Festival

**September 2 - 3**

Algonac Art Fair

**Marine City**, also situated on the St. Clair River, is about 30 minutes downriver from Port Huron and 15 minutes off the I-94/26 Mile Road. You will find fine art, antiques, gifts and accessories at the quaint shops on the historic waterfront shopping district and along the M-29 corridor. Be sure to bring your appetite. Fresh fish from the Great Lakes, sizzling steaks, specialty candies or yummy baked goods are local options for dining both on and off the water

Marine City has live theaters and movie theaters, along with free riverfront concerts, festivals and even a BEACH! There are summer and winter parades, holiday activities and events for every season. The annual Merrytime Christmas draws people from all over Michigan for an old-fashioned river town Christmas celebration. It’s a perfect place for a romantic getaway or a fun family or girl’s weekend away. Take a stroll, book a tour at one of the museums, swim in the cool, fast waters of the St Clair River, fish, take a powered parachute ride, or spend a lazy afternoon watching freighters pass by.

**August 4 – 6**

Maritime Days

**December 1 - 3**

Merrytime Christmas



# Fort Gratiot

Lakeport Beach

Fort Gratiot benefits from a well-balanced landscape with established rural and commercial areas, beautiful neighborhoods, picturesque parks and walking/bike trails, and a diverse business community.

There is no better place to live in the Blue Water Area than the Fort. Whether you're looking to raise your family in great neighborhoods, relax on the lake or settle down on your own piece of rural land, it's all possible in the Fort.

Outdoors to indoors, there is something for everyone and you're only minutes from everything. Build sandcastles on the beach at the beautiful Fort Gratiot County Park located on Lake Huron. Go kayaking, paddle the Island Loop National Water Trail, the Fort Gratiot Sojourn, or the Lake Huron Paddle. Watch model sailboats compete on Fort Gratiot Pond,

the only model boat pond in SE Michigan. Take your furry four-legged family member to Canine Commons Dog Park, an open no cost dog park.

Fort Gratiot is home to the largest shopping corridor in St. Clair County and there is dining to satisfy all your cravings. Shop our commercial district for your next vehicle with several auto dealers calling the Fort home. Kohl's, JC Penney, Target, Hobby Lobby, Dunham's and Birchwood Mall are just a few of the shopping opportunities.

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**North River Road Park** - 3055 North River Rd, features two tennis courts which are also striped for pickle ball, a riverfront picnic pavilion and an ADA accessible kayak and canoe launch.

**Parker Road Parks** - Located on Parker Road north of Keewahdin, the parks are filled with trails, a bike path, disc golf, a fishing pond, RC model boat pond, the Canine Commons Dog Park and more.



**June 22-25**

## Blue Water Cruise Weekend

Thursday - Sunday - **Carnival**

Friday - **Cruise Night**

Saturday - **Car Show and Fireworks**

**September 30**

## Scarecrow Saturday

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# Lakeport

Lakeport Beach

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Lakeport State Park features over 347 acres of well-cared for grounds with beach access, a beach house, concession stand,

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# Lexington

Downtown

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The Village is fortunate to have wonderful organizations that host events throughout the year. During the summer months there is music in the park each Friday night at Tierney park which offers the stunning Lake Huron shoreline as its backdrop. There are also multiple arts and craft shows through the summer located in the park and along Main Street that features many small businesses and restaurants.

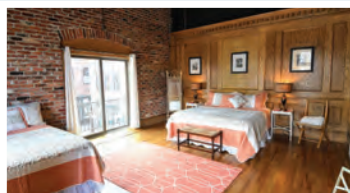
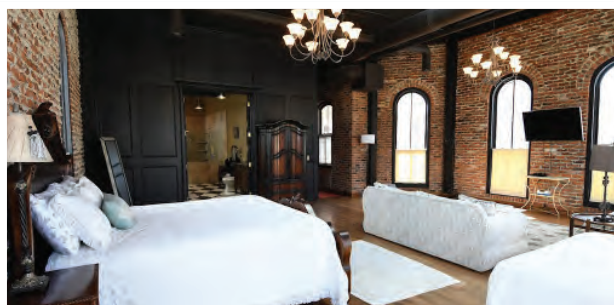
The Village also plays host to multiple parades and other festivals which draw in residents and thousands of tourists during the season. The Village has 2 beautiful public beaches,

an amazing walkable pier, 3 public parks, a boat launch site and marina. The Village's waterfront access offers opportunity for playing at the beach, fishing, kayaking, boating, jet-skiing, windsurfing and so much more.

The Village is a wonderful weekend getaway or afternoon destination with its close proximity to the metro-Detroit area. There are hotels and historic bed and breakfast establishments in and around the Village to host overnight stays and encourage visitors to unplug for the weekend and enjoy the morning sunrises.

Must see events in the Village of Lexington are the 4th of July firework festivities, Friday night music in the park events, the August fine arts fair and Margarita-fest and the Christmas horse-parade. Must-see features within the community are the pier at Tierney Park, the historic Cadillac House, the pristine beaches and beautiful sunrises.

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## May

- 13 Lexington Fishing Tournament
- 29 Memorial Day Parade 11am

## June

- 17 A&W Antique Tractor Show 9am-3pm
- 18 A&W Classic Car Show 9am-3pm
- 17-18 Lakeside Craft Show 10am-5pm
- 23 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 30 Independence Day Fireworks Dusk

## July

- 1 Independence Day Parade 11am
- 1 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 2 Firemen's Pancake Breakfast 7am-noon
- 7 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 14 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 21 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 22 Lakeshore Garden Club Garden Walk 10am-4pm
- 28 Music in The Park 7:30pm

## August

- 4 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 5-6 Lexington Fine Arts and Craft Fair
- 11 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 11-13 Antique Yard Sale Trail
- 18 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 25-26 Margarita Fest 7pm
- 28 LBA Golf Fundrasier, register 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.



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## September

- 1 Music in The Park 7:30pm
- 2 Thumb Fest. 10am-10pm
- 14-17 Bach Festival

## October

- 7 Lexington Scarecrow Contest
- 31 Community Trick or Treat 6pm-8pm

## November

- 2-5 Holiday Market Squares
- 11 Girlfriends Day Away Fashion Show 10am-noon
- 11 Girlfriends Day Away Merchant Activities

## December

- 2 Christmas Tree Lighting (7pm) & Merchant Walk
- 9 Old-Fashioned Christmas Horse Parade 2pm

## January '24

- 12-14 Snow Flake Sales
- 28 Lexington Ice Fishing Contest

## February '24

- 2-4 Winterfest Weekend
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# Summerfest



Marysville Municipal Park

The Summerfest returns to the Marysville Municipal Park for another fun summer weekend. The festival runs Thursday – Sunday (June 15-18) and will feature a carnival and midway, live musical entertainment, classic car show, motorcycle thrill show, petting zoo and fireworks at dusk on Sunday.

For more information, visit [summerfestinmarysville.com](http://summerfestinmarysville.com).

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# Hot Wheels Weekend



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The City of Port Huron stretches seven picturesque miles along the shore of the St. Clair River and Lake Huron, serving as an international border crossing marked by the iconic Blue Water Bridges.

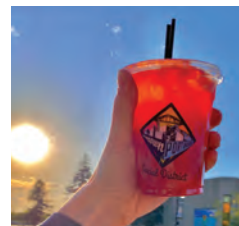
Port Huron and the surrounding area is one of the top tourist destinations in Michigan and Midwest. Home to the Island Loop National Water Trail, Port Huron is surrounded by water with a 10.2 mile long waterway. This distinction is one of only 14 in the country and has made Port Huron a must see destination for boaters and kayakers. Visitors will find multiple public access areas to enjoy their time on the water.

Not a boater? No worries as there are miles of trails along the water and wilderness throughout the area that are great for biking/hiking/walking and plenty of space along the river to fish or just watch Great Lakes freighters go by. You'll also find some of the Great Lakes best beaches on the shores of Lake Huron. Cookouts, splash pads, paddle boards, playgrounds and volleyball are just a few of the places and activities you'll find in any number of Port Huron parks.

Port Huron isn't just a great place to visit, but a perfect place to work or start a new business. Port Huron has experienced a surge of growth in available housing and job opportunities, including an incredible revitalization of its downtown area. With game changing investments in the area's school district, healthcare and educational opportunities, Port Huron is one of the top places in the Midwest to start a career and family.

## Social District

**Stroll Downtown Port Huron with a cocktail!**



The Social District allows patrons ages 21+ to enjoy a drink while safely strolling through Downtown Port Huron.

### So what is a social district?

A social district is a well-defined area within a jurisdiction—in this case, from Glenwood Ave. to Union St.—where the outdoor consumption of alcoholic beverages has been legalized.

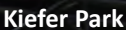
**How does it work?** Visit one of the participating establishments and order your drink of choice in a special social district cup.

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- Lynch's Irish Tavern
- McMorran Place
- Raven Café
- Señor Tequila
- Sperry's
- Vintage Tavern
- Wings Etc. Bar & Grill

### The Gist Is:

- No BYOB in downtown
- Stay on the main street sidewalks
- Beverages are allowed in a social district cup ONLY
- ENJOY - But stay safe. Local and state laws still apply to serving minors, public intoxication and impaired driving.





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# Boat the Blue Antique Boat Show

The 2023 Boat the Blue Antique and Classic Boat Show will be held **September 8 & 9** at the River Street Marina in downtown Port Huron. This free event is open to the public. There will be more than 60 antique and classic boats on display, classic cars, live music, food trucks and other vendors, activities for children, as well as free boat rides all in a fun family-friendly atmosphere.

On Saturday, visitors can experience "Boats & Bites." In addition to the Boat Show, the best Michigan based-snacks will be competing for the title of MI New Favorite Snack 2023. Visitors will sample the latest innovative cravings created by Michigan-based snack makers.

Boat Show viewing hours are from 3-8 pm on Friday and 10-4 pm on Saturday. Boat rides and children's activities will be on Saturday.

The Blue Water Area has an amazing history of boat building and is home to many companies such as Chris Craft, Hacker, Garwood, Dodge and Belle Isle Bearcats. The Antique and Classic Boat Society (ACBS) is dedicated to the preservation and restoration of historic, antique and classic boats and provides education about their heritage.



Photo Credit: Peter Michael Photography Studio

# MI New Favorite Snack

On September 9th, downtown Port Huron and the River Street Marina will welcome visitors of all ages to enjoy the spectacular antique boats displayed and featured along the Black River and the best Michigan based-snacks competing for the title of MI New Favorite Snack 2023. Visitors for the Boat-the-Blue Antique Boat Show, and MI New Favorite Snack - the largest snack competition in America - can take complimentary rides on boats and sample the latest innovative cravings created by Michigan-based snack makers. This weekend features many free highlights as well as music, the downtown Port Huron Social District and a fun family-friendly atmosphere.



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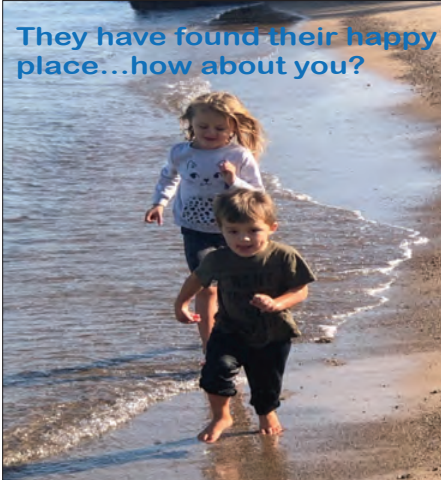
# Blue Water Trolley

The one hour trolley tour runs June - August and includes a swing by various local points of interest. The tour, which is only 10 cents, takes you through the heart of Port Huron and along the riverfront for a panoramic glimpse of the Blue Water Bridges, the Thomas Edison Depot and Statue and the Fort Gratiot Light Station. The starting point for each run is downtown Port Huron at 331 Huron Avenue, with additional pickup points designated along the route such as at the Blue Water Convention Center and Vantage Point. For more information, visit [www.bwbus.com/routes/trolley.htm](http://www.bwbus.com/routes/trolley.htm).

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# Blue Water River Walk



The Blue Water River Walk is almost one-mile of St. Clair River shoreline immediately south of the mouth of the Black River in Port Huron, Michigan. It is less than a mile downriver from the Blue Water Bridge to Sarnia and the southern end of Lake Huron. Owned by the Community Foundation of St. Clair County, the Blue Water River Walk is open to the public year-round.

The shoreline used to create this beautiful River Walk was donated to the Community Foundation of St. Clair County by local philanthropist James C. Acheson at Christmas of 2011.

**Observation Dock:** the old railroad ferry dock, which dates back to the early 1900's, has been fully restored and re-opened to the public. Once used to help transport goods back-and-forth to Sarnia, the Ferry Dock is now a beautiful patio overlooking the St. Clair River.



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**Pedestrian Trail:** using partial funding from the Transportation Enhancement Grant Program of MDOT, the Community Foundation raised matching private donations that allowed us to build a 10' wide asphalt pedestrian trail along the entire length of the shoreline. This trail is a key component of the Bridge to Bay Trail system.

**Outdoor Classroom:** At the north end of the River Walk, just north of the Observation Dock, is our Outdoor Classroom. Intended as a true interactive learning environment, the Outdoor Classroom is meant to teach the public about the St. Clair River ecosystem and the plant and wildlife habitat found along the River Walk.

**Shoreline & Habitat Restoration:** Approximately 4,300 feet of St. Clair River shoreline was completely restored and rehabilitated in 2013, utilizing the grant funding from the GLRI. In the spring of 2014 we completed our shallow water habitat restoration efforts. During this work, and including the Pilot Phase work done in 2012, almost 7,000 tons of debris was removed from the site.

**County Wetlands Park:** Our partners at St. Clair County Parks & Recreation received a \$1 million grant to develop a new wetlands park on the very southern end of the River Walk.

**Fishing Pier:** To help enhance public access for fishing and recreation, the Community Foundation built a fishing pier on the southern end of the River Walk, just south of the Gray Fox ship.

**Public Art:** One of the many fantastic enhancements of the Blue Water River Walk is public art. Adding public art and artifacts is another way we have been able to embellish our River Walk and make it more interesting for visitors.



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Dedicated to the Great Lakes, BoatNerd has grown into a community website that averages over 27,000 visitors a day and more than 2.25 million page views each month. It offers an on-line archive of more than 210,000 vessel images, sponsors gatherings of ship enthusiasts at various locations around the Great Lakes.

One of BoatNerd's most popular components is a daily news page that reports on the comings and goings of lake vessels, port news and other industry concerns such as water levels and invasive species, as well as what ships have been renamed, sold or are headed for scrap.

Visitors can also participate in online forums and post their own boat pictures for others to see, a popular aspect of the site.

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# Mainstreet Memories



Saturday, July 29

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If you're a car enthusiast, don't forget to mark your calendars for the Mainstreet Memories Wheels on the Waterfront car show, returning this year on Saturday July 29, 2023. Located on the Acheson Ventures Waterfront property at 300 Oak Street in Port Huron, the show runs from 10a-4p, with parking opening at 7:00a. This is a non-judged car show where

"it's about community not competition" and there were over 800 cars at the show in 2022.

Visit their website, [mainstreetmemoriesph.com](http://mainstreetmemoriesph.com), for more information and to register. While you're there, be sure to check out pictures and videos of past shows and follow them on Facebook at [MainstreetMemoriesPH](https://www.facebook.com/MainstreetMemoriesPH).

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# Blue Water Cruise Weekend

Friday, June 23 - Cruise Night  
Saturday, June 24 - Car Show



Blue Water Cruise Weekend is one of the most anticipated weekends in the Port Huron Area.

On Friday night, up to 50,000 spectators will turn out to view the car cruise along M-25 from Port Huron into Fort Gratiot Township. Businesses along the route will welcome the cars and spectators, with many setting up tents in their parking lots and inviting cruisers and viewers to park and enjoy the event.

On Saturday, car enthusiasts get a chance to see those vehicles up close. The Keith Peterson Memorial Car Show will be held from 10a – 3p at Birchwood Mall in Fort Gratiot. The show expects over 150 vehicles and will have on stage entertainment with music, trophies and raffles throughout the day followed by fireworks at dusk.

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# Wrigley Center Development

Port Huron's newest development is the Wrigley Center at 318 Grand River Avenue. Opening in 2023, the Wrigley Center features 36 residential lofts, with retail business on the main floor and Wrigley Hall which will have multiple bars hosting live entertainment, private parties and a rooftop bar to enjoy the views of downtown Port Huron. Wrigley Hall adds to the many great spots to enjoy dinner and outstanding nightlife in Port Huron.

The Wrigley Center also houses a bit of local history with the DB Harrington steam locomotive on display for patrons to see. The D.B. Harrington was built by Porter, Bell & Co. Locomotive Works. She was manufactured for a narrow-gauge line and arrived in Port Huron in 1878. She pulled passenger coaches in the Thumb area until 1888. She was sold numerous times after 1888 and used for years hauling lumber and even working as a stationary steam boiler. When retired from use in 1933, she was displayed in a Traverse City park for a bit and then spent time on display at Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio. In 1990, she was given to Port Huron Museum and restored by T.J. Gaffney and has found her new home at the Wrigley Center for train enthusiasts and visitors to enjoy.

For the latest on new businesses, restaurants, and live entertainment visit [www.wrigleyhall.com](http://www.wrigleyhall.com).



# McMorran Plaza

The completely redesigned plaza and beer garden is the place to be this summer. The addition of synthetic turf, a splash pad and elevated stage makes this a perfect venue for family friendly activities.

The Plaza's outdoor Summer Concert Series will start in June and has scheduled entertainment every Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening. Patrons to McMorran can enjoy food and drink from Casey's on the Plaza while enjoying the live entertainment. And, as part of the downtown social district, alcoholic drinks from Casey's on the Plaza can be purchased in to-go cups allowing visitors to carry their beverage with them through the downtown Main Street area to check out other entertainment or experiences in downtown Port Huron. Visit [www.mcmorran.com/plaza](http://www.mcmorran.com/plaza) for the most up-to-date event information. See ad on page 58 to scan QR code from more information.



Locomotive, Day Lumber Mill, Glen Haven, Mich.



DB Harrington before restoration  
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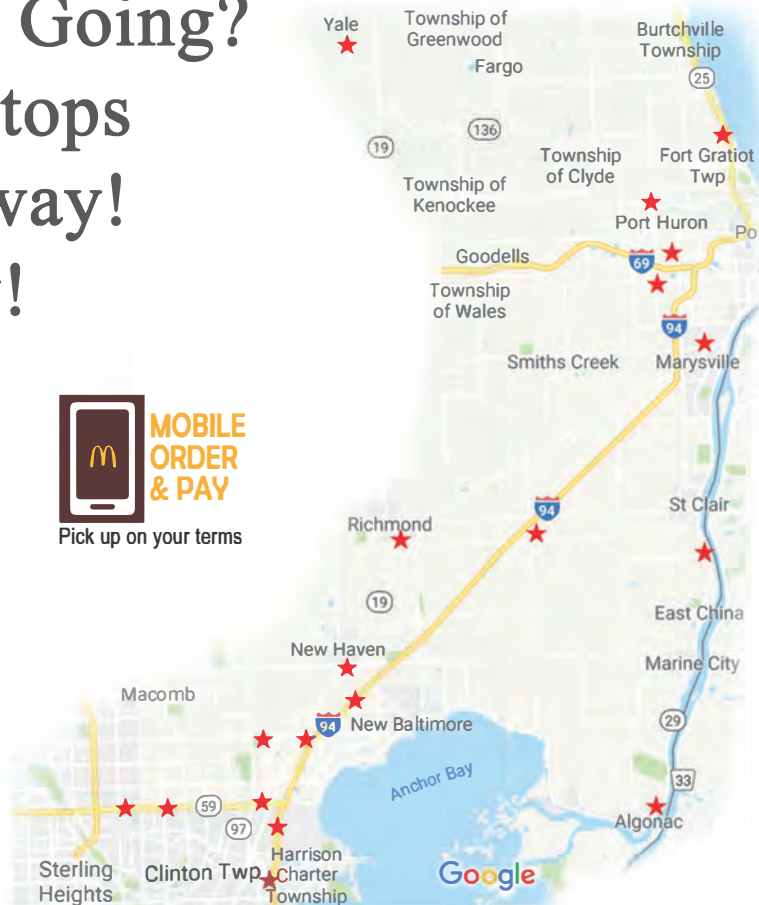
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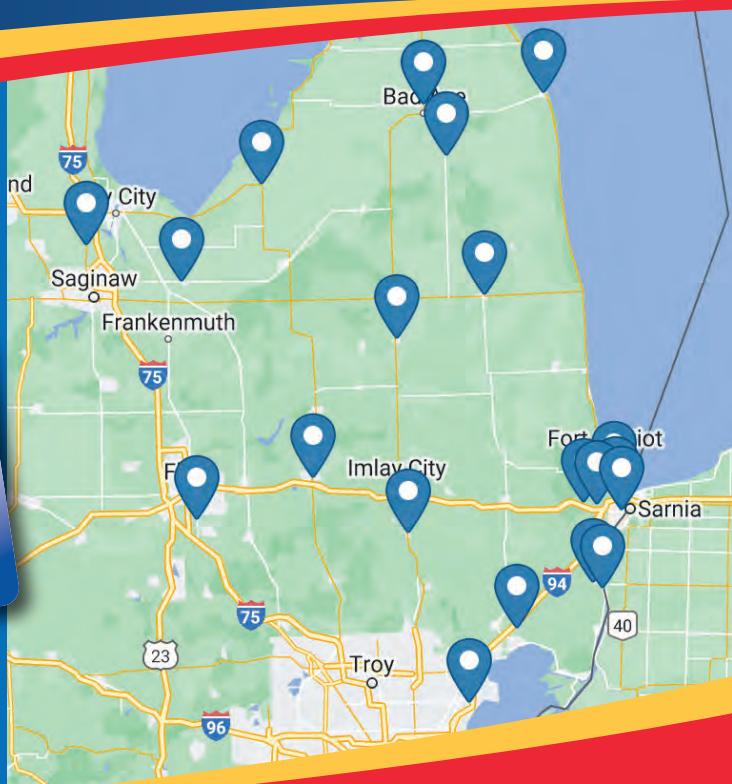


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# 10th Annual Sturgeon Celebration



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Friends of the St. Clair River's Sturgeon Fest offers close encounters with the Great Lakes' living dinosaur with a live sturgeon touch tank, hands-on activities, Native American drum ceremonies, food, live music, and entertainment. Festival admission and activities are free.

The Sturgeon Cruises aboard Port Huron's sightseeing boat, The Huron Lady, takes guests on the St. Clair River and Lake Huron to interact with biologists catching, tagging, measuring, and releasing sturgeon underneath the Blue Water Bridges. The cruise features a live sturgeon aquarium experience and watching sturgeon research activities from the U.S. Fisheries and Wildlife Service's vessel, the N'me (Anishinaabe for Lake sturgeon). Throughout this narrated cruise, guests can ask questions to the biologists studying sturgeon and learn about their Great Lakes research. Over 10,000 Lake sturgeon call underneath the Blue Water Bridges home which makes it possible to see these gentle giants. Huron Lady Sturgeon Cruises are at 11am and 1pm, tickets are \$35 and available at [huronlady.com](http://huronlady.com).

Affectionately known as the "Gentle Giants of the Great Lakes", sturgeon are phenomenal to see up close. They can weigh over 100 pounds, grow over 6 feet, and live to be more than 100 years old. Once on the brink of extinction and added to Michigan's Threatened Species list, Lake sturgeon are making a comeback and have become a spotlight for restoration work completed in the St. Clair River.



## 10th Annual Sturgeon Festival

Saturday, June 3rd  
10am – 3pm

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Huron Lady Sturgeon Cruises - 11am & 1pm, \$\$  
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This year the museum will host a special exhibit - TOP SECRET: LICENSE TO SPY - a James Bond-style interactive experience for kids of all ages so include plans to explore the world of spying and espionage while at the museum. The exhibit will run during museum hours, from April 29 – September 5, 11a to 6p Tuesday – Sunday (Field Trips can be scheduled on Mondays). Admission: \$10 general admission.

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recommended. Members of Port Huron Museum receive 10% off general admission.

The museum is located at 317 Grand River Ave., Port Huron. A small admission charge is requested. Guided tours are available for kids and adults. For more information visit [knowltonicemuseum.org](http://knowltonicemuseum.org) or call 810.987.5441. See ad on page 38 to scan the QR code for the exhibit.



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The Maritime Center is located at Vantage Point at the junction of the Black and St. Clair Rivers. You can watch giant

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# Blue Water Sandfest



**August 4-6**

The Blue Water SandFest has become a favorite summer attraction in the Blue Water Area. This year, SandFest returns to the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse on **August 5th – August 7th**. The family-oriented event features Master and Advanced Amateur Sand Sculptors from across North America. Live music entertainment and hands-on activities are part of the fun throughout the three day event.

To avoid traffic and parking congestion in the neighborhood around the park, free parking is available at the

St. Clair County Community College Welcome Center parking lot where the Blue Water Trolley will be available to provide free transportation to and from the event throughout all three paid admission days.

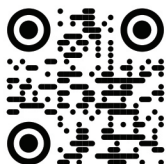
All proceeds raised from the event are used for restoration work at the Fort Gratiot Light Station Park.

For more information and a schedule of events, visit [bluewatersandfest.com](http://bluewatersandfest.com).

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**September 11, 2023**

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**October 9, 2023**

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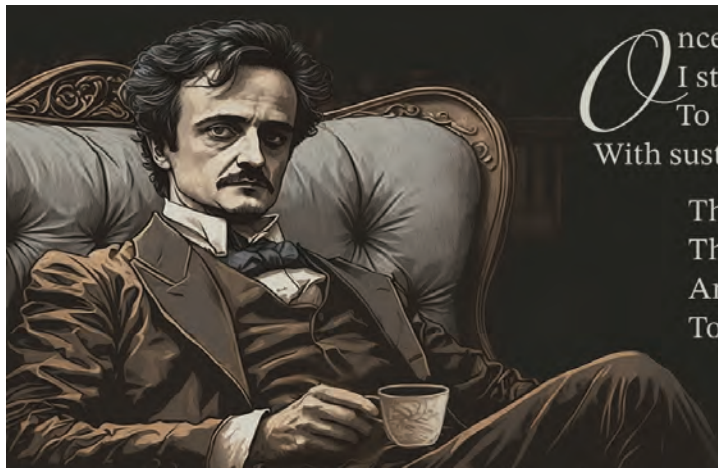
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# Fort Gratiot Lighthouse

The original Fort Gratiot Lighthouse was established in 1825 to guard the juncture of Lake Huron and the St. Clair River. That lighthouse was destroyed by a storm in 1828 and the current lighthouse, the oldest in Michigan, was built north of the fort in 1829. The white painted brick tower was extended from 74' to its present 86' in the early 1860s. The green flashing light was automated in 1933 and updated in 2016 and can be seen from 16 miles out in Lake Huron.

The entire campus has undergone a historic restoration under the ownership of St. Clair County Parks & Recreation

Commission and the Port Huron Museum.

Weather permitting, the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse is one of the few operating lighthouses that allow visitors to climb the tower and step out onto the catwalk for a breathtaking view. From the gallery, visitors can view the Blue Water Bridge, the mouth of the St. Clair River, Point Edward, Ontario and Lake Huron to the north.

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The Huron Lady II offers dinner cruises throughout the summer. You can enjoy a fun, music-filled cruise down to the River Crab Restaurant's dock, have dinner inside the restaurant and finish with dessert aboard the Huron Lady on the way back to Port Huron.

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# Port Huron Float Down



**Sunday, August 20**

It's the Blue Water Area's favorite unorganized, unsanctioned, and unsponsored event ... it's called the Port Huron Float Down, and it somehow seems to take place every third Sunday in August, despite a cancellation each and every year by the United States Coast Guard.

The event sees 3,000 or more people gathering at Lighthouse Beach in the early afternoon and floating down the St. Clair River to Marysville. There's even a website, but those who run it at [porthuronfloatdown.com](http://porthuronfloatdown.com) say they are in no way organizing, sponsoring, planning, or promoting the community event.

According to the site, the Float Down is a tradition steeped in history, even though it's impossible to know who the first people were to float down. The event, as it's known today, dates back over 30 years. In 1986, a storm put an end to the fun, and it was officially ended by the United States Coast Guard in 1987. Although people continued to float every year, the Float Down did not officially resurface until 2008.

The traditional course of the Float Down is launching at Lighthouse (Conger) Beach, and then floating 8-miles downstream to Chrysler Beach in Marysville. The current moves quickest under the Blue Water Bridges, and then pulls you out towards the center of the river, near the mouth of the Black River. If you want to watch, the Edison Parkway, the Flag Plaza, the Blue Water Bridges, Pine Grove Park, Kiefer Park, or Lincoln Park are all the best places to watch the floaters

If you decide to float down the St. Clair River in August, there are several things you must consider before jumping in. The current is swift and the water is cold. All floaters should have a reliable inflatable and a paddle so they are able to stay out of the shipping channel. It's also wise to choose a float that can keep you dry and out of the water to prevent heat loss or

hypothermia. Floaters should also have a Personal Floatation Device or a Life Jacket. Children should wear them at all times and adults should at least keep them at an arm's-length reach at all times. Most importantly, if you cannot swim, do not enter the water. There are no lifeguards or safety personnel.

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Art on the River is a family friendly event with art workshops, hands on art, music to dance to and food to enjoy.

**Friday, June 9th**

3pm to 9pm

(Arts, crafts, music, beverage tent, food vendors)

**Saturday, June 10th**

10am to 11pm

(Arts, crafts, music, beverage tent, food vendors)

**Sunday, June 11th**

10am to 4pm

(Arts, crafts, beverage tent, food vendors, adult beverages begin service at noon)

Art on the River is excited to announce Avery Campbell as the 2023 Featured Artist. Avery is a local self-taught artist. She has always been drawn to creating, even at a young age. Come see Avery on June 9th, 10th and 11th at Art on the River 2023. Avery will be creating a painting for Art on the River and she will also have many of her other canvases for sale. For more information visit [artontheriverph.com](http://artontheriverph.com).



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# 2023 Bayview *Mackinac Race*

This year's Port Huron to Mackinac race will be the 99th consecutive year when the sailboats leave the starting line in southern Lake Huron on Saturday, July 15th. Almost 200 boats are expected to compete in this year's race. The boats are measured to determine handicaps, which are subtracted from their elapsed sailing time, except for the scratch boat. The scratch boat is the fastest boat in the fleet and is granted no time allowance handicap. The smallest boats start the race first, typically reaching the finish line on Mackinac Island on Sunday, with larger vessels arriving by Tuesday.

Changes made in 2016 determine which course the boats can take. The changes set a "speed limit" for participation on the Shore Course, the shorter of the event's two courses, which follows the Michigan shoreline and covers 235 statute miles. The Shore Course is no longer an option for larger boats with a PHRF rating below 99 seconds per mile. The faster boats must sail the longer Cove Island course, a distance of 298 statute miles. Slower boats will have the option of sailing either course. GPS tracking devices are placed on all participating sailboats so that fans from around the world are able to follow individual boats or the entire fleet on the Bayview Yacht Club website **bycmack.com**.

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# Blue Water Fest

The Blue Water Festival returns to downtown Port Huron July 12-15, 2023. The Rotary International Parade will open the weekend at 6p July 12. WHLX The Hills 92.7 and QCountry 107.1 Boats & Boots 2 Day Concert Event will kick off with live, concert entertainment on Thursday with The Wild Feathers and Austin Snell performing, and Rodney Atkins will be taking the stage on Friday night. Other expected events during the biggest weekend of the summer are Operation Transformation's Family Night, fireworks, and Mannequins Making a Difference.

The annual Blue Water Fest, a summer celebration also known as Boat Week, culminates with the start of the Port Huron to Mackinac sailboat race. The week of festivities brings locals, former area residents and visitors from across the country to the downtown Port Huron area to enjoy the fun. It's a chance for many people to reconnect, with family and high school reunions being held during this exciting week and an opportunity to kick back and celebrate the best that the areas has to offer – good friends, good food, good times and, hopefully, good weather!

Many businesses and restaurants have special promotions during this week, enticing visitors to shop or stop in for a meal or cocktail. In addition to those promotions, some of the free events and activities to enjoy include:

## Wednesday, July 12

Rotary International Parade

## Thursday, July 13

Family Night

*a family friendly evening on the riverfront  
family oriented activities*

Boats and Boots Concert

*outdoor concert from Q Country 107  
and The Hills 92.7, featuring The Wild Feathers  
and Austin Snell*

Fireworks at dusk

*@ Vantage Point*

## Friday, July 14

Boat Night

*Port Huron's biggest street party*

Boats and Boots Concert

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## Saturday, July 15

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# City of Richmond

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Richmond offers a wide variety of recreational activities for the outdoor enthusiast through its many municipal parks as well as a comprehensive sidewalk system throughout the city. The Macomb Orchard Trail, a 23.5 mile linear park, begins in Richmond and connects to a network of trails. The trail is an integral part of the Great Lake to Lake Route 1 trail, which will span from Port Huron to South Haven. Join us for fun and fitness!

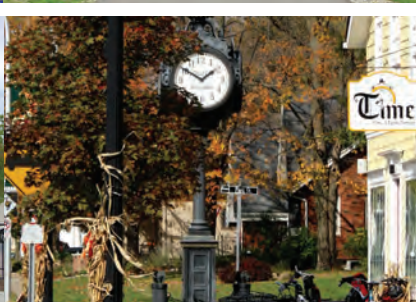
The Annual Richmond Area Good Old Days Festival is the highlight of summer for many

people. The festival is known for offering a wide variety of events throughout each of the four days including the State's largest marching musical parade. For information visit [richmondgoodolddaysfestival.org](http://richmondgoodolddaysfestival.org).

The retail business districts offer turn of the century charm and unique modern Main Street architecture. The pedestrian friendly downtown is the perfect location for shopping and services. Special events are held year round to promote our businesses.

Additionally, the city is working with private property owners on the development of prime industrial property. Richmond is ready for your business!

Please visit our website at [cityofrichmond.net](http://cityofrichmond.net) for more information on the City of Richmond, or contact us at (586) 727-7571 or email us at [info@cityofrichmond.net](mailto:info@cityofrichmond.net).







# Sarnia Lambton

The coast is just the beginning of what visitors will find on the Canadian side of the St. Clair River and Lake Huron. Ontario's Blue Coast is ideally located in the heart of the Great Lakes region with Sarnia and Lambton County bordered by the sparkling blue waters of southern Lake Huron and the St. Clair River. These blue waters are reminiscent of the Caribbean but you won't have to travel quite so far to soak up the scenery.

Check out Canatara Park & Beach, an International Blue Flag Designated Beach or travel the Cheers to the Coast Trail, stopping to visit the many craft breweries, wineries, hard cider and mead producers in the area. Attend a festival or

one of the area's special events, including professional theatre productions at the Victoria Playhouse Petrolia. Enjoy boutique shopping or sample the diverse culinary offerings of the many establishments throughout the area.

Just outside Sarnia, the Blue Coast offers unparalleled recreation with 20 golf courses, unique museums and in-water events including high-speed boat racing, sailing and fishing for trout, salmon walleye, bass and more. Parks are found all along the shoreline of the river and lake, providing ample opportunities for day trips. The area is popular for extended stays, with varied accommodations available ranging from campsites to resort hotels.

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St. Clair is located at the center of the memorable Blue Water Area. It is an area rich in history dating back to pre-Revolutionary War times and was a major stop for the underground railroad of the Civil War era.

Palmer Park, in the center of St. Clair, has the world's longest freshwater boardwalk where visitors can enjoy the serenity of a beautiful sunrise or watch as 1,000' lake freighters pass by.

Pickerel (walleye) and perch fishing are especially popular here. If you're like most fishermen, you'll be excited to find yourself in the same spots the locals have favored for years. As a boating enthusiast, you'll fall in love with the Saint Clair Boat Harbor with its 120 boat slips. And, if you're a golfer, don't forget the clubs; there are a number of popular courses.

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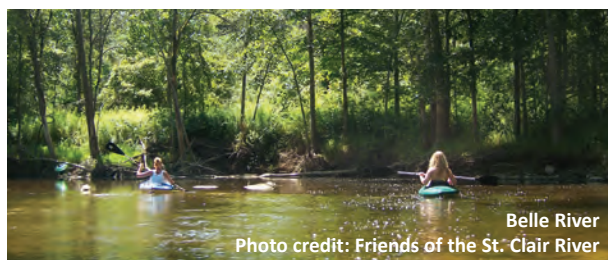
Summer events include craft shows, a juried art fair, and the St. Clair Riverfest and River Classic Offshore Powerboat Race.

There's so much more you'll want to know about the greater St. Clair area and the best way to find out is by visiting. So, pack your bags and plan on a wonderful and relaxing time in St. Clair. For more information on what the area has to offer, visit [stclairontheriver.com](http://stclairontheriver.com).

## Annual St. Clair Art Fair

Palmer Park offers visitors a beautiful setting for the St. Clair Art Fair, one of eastern Michigan's oldest art fairs. Over 100 artists are expected to be showcasing their work at the event that artists and art lovers alike have long recognized as one of the finest presentations of original art to be found anywhere. Expect to see paintings in oil and water color, and works in pen and in pastels and chalk. Artists will also be displaying their photography, sculpture, woodwork, pottery, and jewelry.

For more information on this year's event, to be held **August 19-20**, visit [stclairart.org](http://stclairart.org).



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## Port Sanilac

Port Sanilac is home to the Port Sanilac Lighthouse and a beautiful marina. Close by under the waters of Lake Huron, is the 163-acre Sanilac Shores Underwater Preserve. This preserve has at least 16 shipwrecks for those that are interested in diving. The Sanilac County Historic Village and Museum offers a glimpse into what life was like in the area in the 1800's.

## Harbor Beach

Harbor Beach also boasts a lighthouse and visitors can travel the paved, multi-use Harbor View Trail to take in the water views.



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## Port Hope

Port Hope offers another lighthouse that still serves as an active navigational aid, the Pointe Aux Barques Lighthouse and Museum at the Lighthouse County Park.

## Port Austin

The Port Crescent State Park offers visitors a taste of the Lake Huron coast with a boardwalk through the small sand dune grass and beach for swimming.

Charters are available on Lake Huron and Saginaw Bay for those wanting to spend more time in the area.

A stop in close by Grindstone City and a visit to the General Store will give visitors a chance to enjoy what they say is the biggest ice cream cones in the Thumb. Grindstone City was the site of a quarry and produced grindstones used for milling and many are visible and scattered throughout the area.

Named for its distinctive shape and a major attraction in the area, Turnip Rock is a destination for kayak and canoe enthusiasts and can only be reached by water.

## Sandusky

Sandusky is located 15 miles west of Lake Huron in the center of Sanilac County. It was incorporated in 1905 and has grown to offer all of the services and resources of a much larger city, while maintaining its rural character and small town appeal.

Visitors will find quaint antique and specialty shops, restaurants, bars and a movie theater in the downtown shopping district. Big box retailers, and auto, farm and power equipment dealers are located nearby.

Michigan's oldest drive-in theater, the Hi-Way Drive-In, is just east of town and open from Memorial Day through Labor Day.



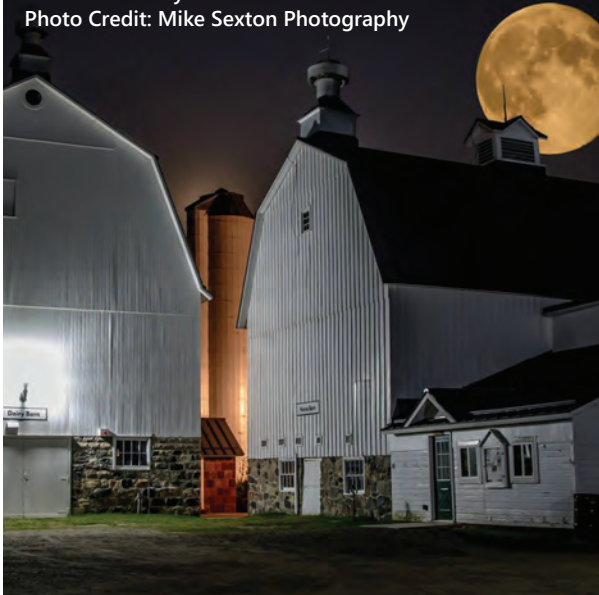
Avoca Trail Trestle Bridge

# Western Communities

## Goodells

Goodells is home to the Goodells County Park and plays host to the annual St. Clair County 4H Fair. Adjacent to the park is

Goodells County Park  
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the St. Clair County Farm Museum and Historical village for those wanting to learn more about the agricultural heritage of the area. The Pine River Nature Center, also located nearby, offers visitors three miles of hiking trails year round from dawn to dusk. It's a popular spot for bird watchers with more than 70 species of birds sighted at the property. Educational programs with interactive displays for area students and the public take place inside the nature center's 5,000 sq. ft. log cabin. The center's newest addition is a universally accessible treehouse that is open to the public. More information on the Pine River Nature Center can be found at [sccresa.org](http://sccresa.org).

## Imlay City

Imlay City, where community members and visitors alike love the **Eastern Michigan State Fair**, which will be held **July 25-29**, and the **Woods N Water Outdoor Weekend**, to be held **September**. Both events draw thousands to Imlay City to enjoy family traditions, Michigan heritage, and local history. To learn more about Imlay City, visit [imlaycity.org](http://imlaycity.org).

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In addition to these unique facts, you'd also find that Memphis is a pleasant place to live. It's proximity to the

suburbs of Detroit makes it a great place to call home and still have access to the big city.

The Memphis Chamber of Commerce hosts an annual Memphis Days Festival the first full weekend of August. The festival includes carnival games, kids events, a parade down main street, a 5k race, and vintage baseball to name a few of the activities.

For more information, visit [facebook.com/memphismichamberofcommerce](https://facebook.com/memphismichamberofcommerce).

## Wadhams

Wadhams is a small community located about five miles west of Port Huron, on the banks of the Black River. Due to its easy access to I-69 and I-94, it continues to thrive and accommodates the needs of residents and area travelers.

This small town has everything a community needs - restaurants, banks and other businesses - as well as a large travel center for those passing through.

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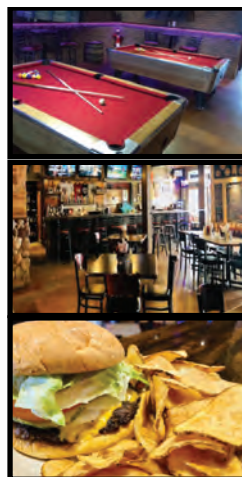
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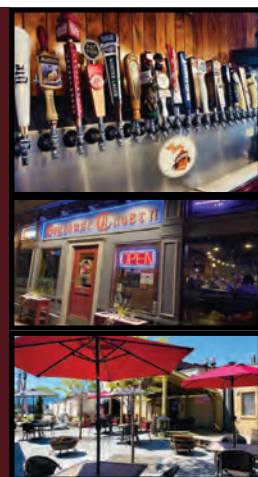
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# Port Huron State Game Area

## THINGS TO DO



## Paddling the Port Huron State Game Area

Natural scenes that you may have thought could only be found in northern Michigan are just a short drive west of Port Huron. The Port Huron State Game Area is over 6,000 acres and located along the Black River in Clyde and Grant Townships. The site offers opportunities for small game hunting, fishing, hiking, and nature study. The best way to take advantage of all the game area has to offer is by canoe or kayak. Since it is protected state land, many miles of the river are undeveloped and it's more likely that you'll encounter a bald eagle than a fellow human being.

Information on weather conditions as well as the depth and speed of the water at the Jeddo Bridge gauging station is available at <https://waterdata.usgs.gov>. Access to the river is possible at the Jeddo Bridge, Comstock Bridge, Norman Bridge, M-136/Beard Bridge, Woodsong County Park and Wadhams Bridge (listed from north to south according to the map to the left).

For a full list of possible routes, including their length and difficulty, visit [bluewaysofstclair.org/routes.asp](http://bluewaysofstclair.org/routes.asp).



# Island Loop Route National Water Trail

The Island Loop National Water Trail is the first national water trail in Michigan and one of only fourteen in the nation. The 10.2 mile long trail provides boaters and paddlers with a one-of-a-kind opportunity to navigate four bodies of water, pass by Michigan's oldest lighthouse and travel underneath the Blue Water Bridges.

Most of the water trail meanders through Fort Gratiot Township, Port Huron Township and the City of Port Huron, traveling the Black River, the Black River Canal, Lake Huron and the St. Clair River. With the exception of the waters under the Blue Water Bridge and in the St. Clair River, waterways

along the route are calm and slow but you should wear a life jacket (PFD) at all times. Also be sure to have your ID with you, as the waters of Lake Huron and the St. Clair River are patrolled by Border Patrol Agents and they can stop you at any time and ask for proof of your citizenship.

Begin your journey either at the new Bakers Field Park in Port Huron Township or at the North River Road Park in Ft. Gratiot Township. Both sites have an ADA accessible kayak launches. Head downriver then east on the canal that links the Black River to Lake Huron. Enter Lake Huron after passing under the Taintor Gate. The Taintor Gate is open 96% of the time but be

aware that it closes automatically when there is a strong North or Northeast wind.

Once in Lake Huron, head south and paddle under the Blue Water Bridges and into the St. Clair River, along the international border with Canada. The St. Clair River section should only be attempted by experienced paddlers on a calm day. The water can be quite rough and the paddle is best attempted in the morning. Finish by entering the mouth of the Black River to the west, paddling through the City of Port Huron and then you're back to where you started from.

THINGS TO DO





# Port Huron City Recreation

## THINGS TO DO

### Senior Picnic

Join the Council on Aging Inc., serving St. Clair County and Port Huron Parks and Recreation for a senior picnic on Tuesday, July 11, 11am – 1pm at Pine Grove Park Pavilion. Registration at Pine Grove Park Pavilion starting at 11 am. Free lunch is available to ages 60 or older. In case of inclement weather, tune in to your local radio station or call the Recreation Department at 810.984.9760. Rain date is Tuesday, July 18. FREE!

### Women's Riding Club

Experience the new Sanborn Multi-Use Trail with like-minded ladies who enjoy the great outdoors! Bring your bike on Saturday mornings and get your blood pumping by taking on the trail with new friends and the Port Huron Recreation Department. Open to all skill levels. Preregistration preferred, but drop-ins welcome. Please call 810.984.9760 for more details. FREE! Ages: 18 or older, Saturdays, June 24-Aug. 12 at 9am at Sanborn Multi-use Trail, 1919 Sanborn St. Register by: Friday, June 16 or Drop-in day of program

### Sport Huron

Play games and sports with the Port Huron Recreation



Photo credit: Port Huron City Recreation

Department sport coaches this summer as they meet you in your neighborhood on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays from June 27 to Aug. 3. FREE! This is weather permitting.

### Sport Huron schedule:

**Tuesdays:** Location: Huron Village, 3028 26th St. Time: 2:15-3:15 p.m.

**Wednesdays:** Location: Sanborn Park, 1919 Sanborn St. Time: 12-1 p.m.

**Thursdays:** Location: Dulhut Village, 2902 22nd St. Time: 1:30-2:30 p.m.

### McMovies

Bring your blankets or lawn chairs for a FREE movie night at McMorran Plaza. This event is weather permitting and begins at dusk.

**June 22**—Top Gun: Maverick

**June 29**—Lightyear

**July 20**—Avengers: Infinity War

Join the Recreation Department for other FREE movies, at dusk:

**July 27**— Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl - Lakeside Beach, 3870 Gratiot Ave.

**August 15**— Luca - Sanborn Pool, 1919 Sanborn St.



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# Public Beaches



Fort Gratiot Beach

THINGS TO DO

## Location

Algonac/St. Clair River  
Fort Gratiot/Lake Huron  
Fort Gratiot/Lake Huron  
Lakeport/Lake Huron  
Lexington/Lake Huron

## Beach

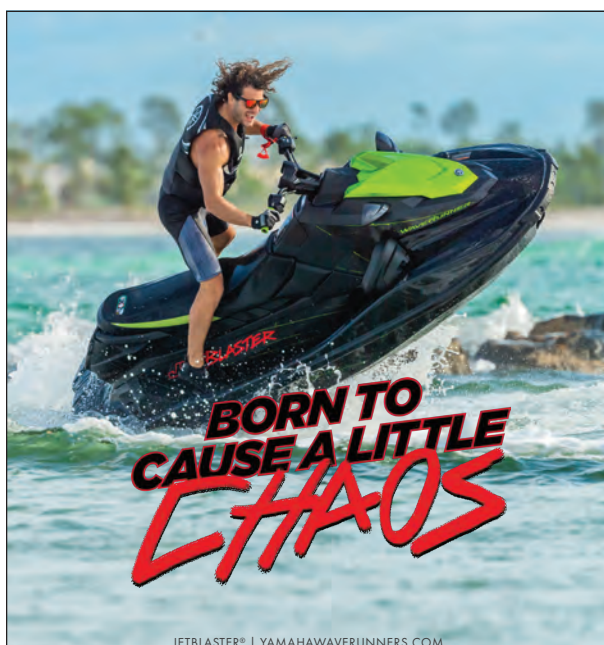
Algonac State Park  
Fort Gratiot County Park  
Keewadhin Road Beach  
Lakeport State Campground  
Lexington Public Beach

## Location

Marine City/St. Clair River  
Marysville/St. Clair River  
Port Huron/Lake Huron  
Port Huron/Lake Huron  
Port Huron/Lake Huron

## Beach

Marine City Beach  
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## Area Museums

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### Port Huron Area:

#### **Thomas Edison Depot**

Visit [phmuseum.org/thomas-edison-depot-museum](http://phmuseum.org/thomas-edison-depot-museum) for more information. 510 Edison Parkway, Port Huron. Thomas Edison history.

#### **Huron Lightship**

Visit [phmuseum.org/huron-lightship](http://phmuseum.org/huron-lightship) for more information. Last operating Great Lakes Light Ship. Moored at Pine Grove Park

#### **Knowlton's Ice Museum**

Visit [knowltonsicemuseum.org](http://knowltonsicemuseum.org) for more information. 317 Grand River Ave., Port Huron. Natural Ice History.

#### **Port Huron Museum of Arts & History**

Visit [phmuseum.org](http://phmuseum.org) for information. 1115 Sixth Street, Port Huron. Local history, pre-history, maritime and model ships.

#### **Marysville Historical Museum**

Visit [cityofmarysvillemi.com/about-us/museum](http://cityofmarysvillemi.com/about-us/museum) for days and hours of operation. 887 E. Huron St., Marysville.

#### **Wills Ste. Clair Auto Museum**

Visit [willsautomuseum.org](http://willsautomuseum.org) for more information. 408 Wills St., Marysville. Collection of Wills cars.

### Downriver:

#### **St. Clair Historical Museum**

Visit [historicstclair.com](http://historicstclair.com) for more information. 308 S. Fourth Street, St. Clair. Local history.

#### **Pride and Heritage Museum**

Visit [marinecitymuseum.org](http://marinecitymuseum.org) for more information. 405 S. Main Street, Marine City. Local History.

#### **Harsens Island/St. Clair Flats Historical Society Museum**

Visit [HISCFHS.org](http://HISCFHS.org) for more information. 3058 S. Channel Dr., Sans Souci, Harsens Island. Maritime history.

#### **Algonac - Clay Historical Society**

Visit [achistory.com](http://achistory.com) for more information.

#### **Maritime Museum, Community Museum**

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### West:

#### **St. Clair County Farm Museum**

Visit [stclaircountyfarmmuseum.org](http://stclaircountyfarmmuseum.org) for more information. 8310 County Park Dr., Goodells. Agricultural history.



# Blue Water Fishing

You don't need a boat to fish, but if you have one there are many boat launches throughout the area. In many of the Blue Water communities, there are long stretches of public seawall available to the shore fishermen. Whether you're catching fish out of your boat or from the shore, it will require a stop at one of the local bait and tackle stores to get the "good stuff" and info on local tried and true techniques and advice on fishing from the seawalls. Depending on the time of year, you could catch King salmon, Chinook salmon, Atlantic salmon, Steelhead, Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Walleye, Silver Bass, Small Mouth Bass, Sturgeon, Whitefish, Muskie, Northern Pike, Suckers, and Carp.



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# Blue Water Area Trails



## Wadhams to Avoca Trail

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### Wadhams to Avoca Trail

The 12 mile long Wadhams to Avoca trail begins just west of Port Huron and ends in the small community of Avoca. Built in the late 1800s by the Flint and Pere Marquette Railroad, the former railroad grade was purchased by the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission in 1999 to be developed into a pedestrian pathway. Access points, including parking lots and restrooms, are located at Wadhams Road, Lapeer Road, Imlay City Road, and at M-136 in Avoca. As you trek west along the Wadhams to Avoca Trail from Port Huron, you'll notice the landscape of St. Clair County change from suburban to rural to wilderness. The eastern half of the trail is paved, while the western portion is made of limestone fines to accommodate horseback riders. The pinnacle of your journey west will be the Mill Creek Trestle, a 640 foot long and 60 foot high former railroad bridge that offers spectacular views of the Mill Creek and beyond. Bring your camera and binoculars, as abundant forms of wildlife can be found along your journey.

### Bridge to Bay Trail

The Bridge to Bay Trail is a 54 mile long network of trails through several communities on St. Clair County's shoreline. The trail starts near the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron and travels south to Anchor Bay on Lake St. Clair. It passes through the waterfront communities of Marysville, St. Clair, Marine City, and Algonac. Along the way you'll encounter parks, beaches, museums, lighthouses, shops, and restaurants. Many miles of the Bridge to Bay trail are paved pathways for hiking and biking. Other portions of the trail consist of dedicated bike lanes and sidewalks. Some sections remain under development, and completing the gaps in the trail network remain a priority for local stakeholders. A portion of the Bridge to Bay Trail in Port Huron consists of the Blue Water River Walk, a prime example of the ongoing effort to restore our shoreline. Starting at the mouth of the Black

River and ending at the Seaway Terminal, the Blue Water River Walk tells the story of our river's industrial and natural past. Cast a line into the river at the former Pere Marquette ferry apron turned fishing pier, or dip your toes into the water along the living shoreline.

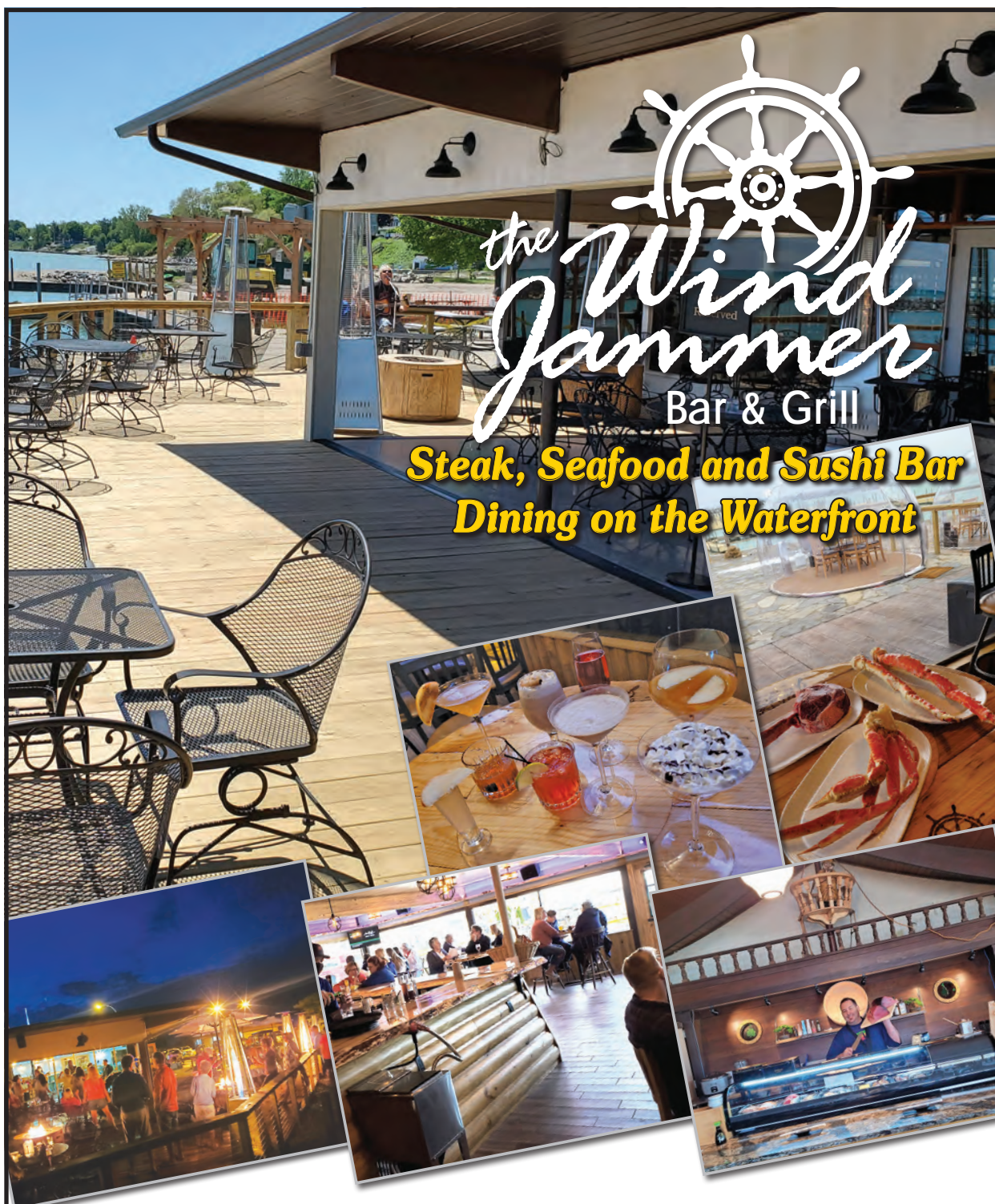
### Pine River Nature Center

St. Clair County Regional Education Service Agency's Pine River Nature Center is located on Castor Road immediately south of Goodells County Park. The 80 acre nature center has over three miles of hiking trails that are open year round from dawn to dusk. The nature center is also a popular spot for bird watchers with more than 70 species of birds sighted at the property. Numerous educational programs for area students and the public take place inside the nature center's 5,000 square foot log cabin which features interactive nature displays. The center's newest addition is a universally accessible treehouse that is open to the public. More information on the Pine River Nature Center can be found at [sccresa.org](http://sccresa.org).

### Columbus County Park

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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CALENDAR

## MAY

- |    |  |        |   |
|----|--|--------|---|
| 6  | Run for Rose's 5K, Lexington   | 22- 23 | Port Huron to Hell Cycling Event, Quality Inn- Port Huron             |
| 12 | Art Hop, Downtown Port Huron   | 26     | Doc Dixon- Comedy & Magic, Too Much Coffee, Lexington Village Theatre |
| 12 | Elvis Tribute Artist- Jake Slater w/Nicole King, Lexington Village Theatre | 27     | Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron       |
| 13 | Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron            | 27     | After Mother's Day Tea, Port Huron Museum                             |
| 13 | Healthy Minds Healthy Bodies Run for Recovery, Port Huron                  | 29     | Memorial Day Parade & Service, Harbor Beach                           |
| 13 | Clay Days, Clay Township Park  |        |   |
| 13 | Lexington Fishing Tournament   |        |   |
| 20 | Be a Tourist in Your Own Town, St. Clair                                   |        |   |
| 20 | Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron            |        |   |
| 20 | Croswell Library Parks and Paths 5k  |        |   |

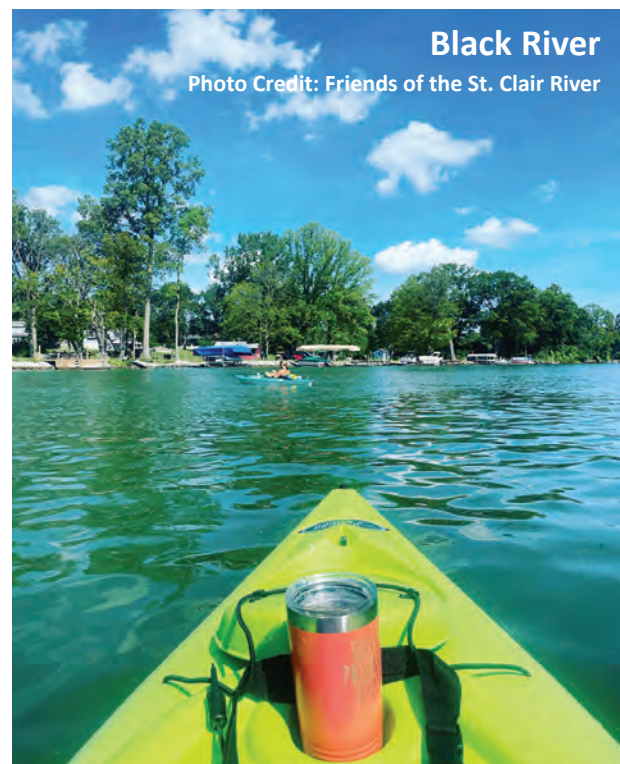


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**Black River**

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## May (Continued)

- 29 Memorial Day Parade @11am, Lexington

## JUNE

- 1-4 Poutine Feast, Centennial Park, Sarnia  
 2 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair  
 2-30 Music in the Plaza- Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, McMorran Plaza

- 2-3 Miss USA Michigan- Miss Teen USA Michigan, McMorran Place, Port Huron  
 2-3 Summer Concert Series Opening Weekend, McMorran Plaza  
 3 VNA & Blue Water Hospice River Run, Marysville  
 3 Blue Water Sturgeon Festival, Fort Gratiot Light Station  
 3 Waterfront Beer, Wine, Cocktail & Seltzer Festival, Algonac  
 3 That Arena Rock Show, Lexington Village Theatre  
 3 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron  
 3-18 Give 'Em Hell, Harry at the Snug Theatre, Marine City



- 8 K's for Kids Superheroes Fun Run, Port Huron  
 9 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair  
 9 Comedian Matt Holt, Lexington Village Theatre



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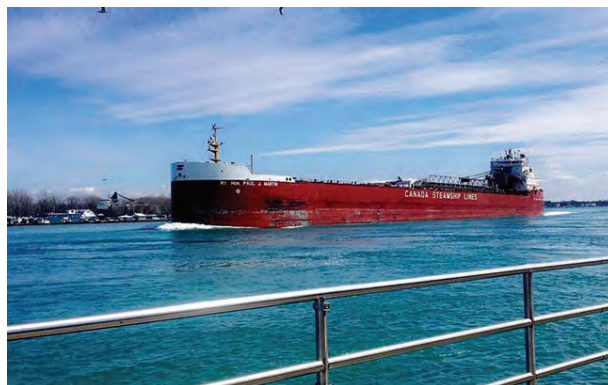
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 9-11 Art on the River, Port Huron
- 10 Kid's Fishing Derby, St. Clair
- 10 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron
- 10 Sarnia Kids Funfest
- 10 Salute Her Run/Walk, Fort Gratiot Township
- 10-11 Michigan's Free Fishing Weekend,  
Michigan's Lakes & Rivers
- 11 Wills Saint Claire Car Show, Marysville
- 14 Farmers Market- Wednesdays thru  
October 25, St. Clair
- 15-18 Summerfest, Marysville
- 16 Strutter- America's #1 Kiss Tribute,  
Marysville
- 16 Black History 101 Mobile Museum, Port  
Huron
- 16 Teacher's Night, McMorran Plaza
- 16 Darrin Hagel & The Burning Love Band,  
Palmer Park, St. Clair
- 16-18 Sarnia Kinsman Ribfest, Centennial Park,  
Sarnia



- 17 Battle of the Bands, McMorran Plaza
- 17 The Beatles Forever with M.L. Lieber,  
Port Huron
- 17 VFW Car Show, Yale
- 17 A&W Antique Tractor Show, Lexington
- 17 Barks, BBQ & Rock-N-Roll, Harsens Island
- 17 Summerfest- Simply Queen, Marysville
- 17 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron
- 17-18 Lakeside Craft Show, Lexington
- 18 Family Tradition Band, Marysville
- 18 A&W Classic Car Show, Lexington
- 21 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 22 McMovies- Top Gun: Maverick, McMorran  
Plaza
- 22-24 Bluewater Borderfest, Sarnia
- 22-25 Cruise Weekend Carnival, Fort Gratiot
- 23 The Rick Lieder Band, Palmer Park, St. Clair
- 23 Music in the Park- Katmandu, Lexington
- 23 Jobbie Nooner, Gull Island

CALENDAR



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## CALENDAR

### JUNE (Continued)

- 23 Bluewater Cruise Night, Fort Gratiot & Port Huron
- 23 Sea Shanty on the Ship, Huron Lightship
- 24 Antique & Classic Boat Show, Algonac
- 24 Cruise Weekend Car Show & Fireworks, Fort Gratiot
- 24 Porch Fest, Port Austin
- 24 Summer Splash Bash, Marine City
- 24 David Brighton's Space Oddity the Quintessential David Bowie, Lexington Village Theatre
- 24 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 24-8/12 The Great American Trailer Park Musical at the Riverbank, Marine City
- 25 Sarnia Street Machines: Cruise the Park, Sarnia

- 28 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 29 McMovies- Lightyear, McMorran Plaza
- 29-7/2 Algonac Pickerel Festival
- 30 Lexington Independence Day Cycling Event, Lexington
- 30 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair
- 30 Independence Day Fireworks, Lexington

### JULY

- 1 Music in the Park- The Gobies, Lexington
- 1 Independence Day Parade, Lexington
- 1-29 Music in the Plaza- Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, McMorran Plaza
- 1-10/28 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 1-2 Almost Queen: A Tribute to Queen, Lexington Village Theatre
- 2 Fireman's Pancake Breakfast, Lexington



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 4 4th of July Fireworks Display, St. Clair
- 5 Farmers Market- Wednesdays thru October 25, St. Clair
- 5 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 7 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair
- 7 Music in the Park- Mainstreet Soul, Lexington
- 7 Mother Son Outdoor Adventure, Marysville Park



- 7 Natural Wonder- The Ultimate Stevie Wonder Experience, Lexington Village Theatre
- 8 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 8 Car Show- St. Clair River Classic, St. Clair
- 9 Glen Miller Orchestra, Lexington Village Theatre
- 11 Senior Picnic 11:00am-1:00pm, Pine Grove Park Pavilion
- 12 Ultimate Sounds DJ, McMorran Plaza

- 12 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 12-15 Croswell Fair
- 13 Q Country's Boats & Boots with The Wild Feathers, Port Huron
- 13 Q Country's Boats & Boots with Austin Snell, Port Huron
- 13 Greg Hind, McMorran Plaza
- 14 Detroit Retro Society (Motown), Palmer Park, St. Clair
- 14 Music in the Park- Collision Six, Lexington
- 14 Q Country's Boats & Boots with Rodney Atkins, Port Huron
- 14 Double Vision- The Foreigner Experience, Lexington Village Theatre
- 14 Magic Bus Woodstock, McMorran Plaza
- 15 ZOSO- The Ultimate Led Zeppelin Experience, Lexington Village Theatre
- 15 10th Annual Hope Floats Kayak Run, St. Clair
- 15 Thornetta Davis, McMorran Plaza
- 15 Harbor Beach American Legion Cart Derby
- 15 Bayview Mackinaw Race, Port Huron
- 15 Vantage Point Farmer's Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 17-22 St. Clair County 4H & Youth Fair, Goodells
- 18 Music & Family Outdoor Movie, St. Clair
- 19 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 20 McMovies- Avengers: Infinity War, McMorran Plaza
- 21 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JULY (Continued)

- 21 Comedian Michael Palascak, Lexington Village Theatre
- 21 Music in the Park- Captured Detroit, Lexington
- 21-22 Revelree Music Festival, Sarnia
- 22 Lakeshore Garden Club Walk, Lexington
- 22 Frankenfest Port Huron, Fort Gratiot Lighthouse
- 22 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 25-29 Eastern Michigan Fair, Imlay City
- 26 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 27 McMovies- Pirates of the Caribbean, Lakeside Beach
- 28 Sea Shanty on the Ship, Huron Lightship
- 28 Summer Concert Series at Palmer Park, St. Clair

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- 28-30 St. Clair Classic- Offshore Powerboat Racing, St. Clair
- 28-30 Yale Bologna Festival
- 28 Tent City, Marysville Park
- 28 Music in the Park- Magic Bus, Lexington
- 29 Mainstreet Memories Car Show, Downtown Port Huron
- 29 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 29 Drummunity with Lori Fithian, Port Huron



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## AUGUST

- 1 St. Clair County Dive Auxiliary Ice Cream Saves Lives Fundraiser Milkhouse Cafe, Fort Gratiot
- 2 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 2 Farmers Market- Wednesdays thru October 25, St. Clair
- 3 Satisfaction- International Rolling Stones Show, Lexington Village Theatre
- 3 Rockin' the Rivers- Your Generation, Kiefer Park





# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- 3 Sarnia Street Machines: Hot Nights, Cool Cars, Sarnia
- 3-31 Music in the Plaza- Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, McMorran Plaza
- 4 Music in the Park- Devin Scilian & Arizona Sun, Lexington
- 4- 6 Maritime Days, Marine City
- 4-19 Hello, Dolly! At the Boardwalk Theatre, Marine City
- 4- 6 Blue Water Sandfest, Port Huron
- 5 Mardi Gras at the St. Clair Boat Harbor, St. Clair
- 5-10/28 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 5-6 Lexington Fine Arts Fair
- 6-12 Sanilac County 4H Fair, Sandusky
- 9 Taking a Shot at Breast Cancer Human Ribbon, Fort Gratiot
- 9 Concerts in the Park (7pm-9pm), Marysville
- 10 Rockin' the Rivers-Motorcity Soul, Kiefer Park
- 11 Family Night, Marysville Park

- 11 Music in the Park, Lexington
- 11 Sea Shanty on the Ship, Port Huron
- 11-13 Antique Yard Sale Trail, Algonac to Sebewaing
- 12 Runaway Bride 5K, Port Huron
- 12 Raft Off, Muscamoot Bay
- 12 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 12 Brass Transit- The Musical Legacy of Chicago, Lexington Village Theatre
- 14-20 Armada Fair
- 15 McMovies- Luca, Sanborn Pool
- 17 Rockin' the Rivers- Family Tradition Band, Kiefer Park
- 18 Music in the Park, Lexington
- 19 Jazz Festival, St. Clair
- 19 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 19-20 St. Clair Art Fair & Jazz Festival

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## AUGUST (Continued)

- 20 Float Down, St. Clair River
- 20 Turtle Race, St. Clair
- 24 Rockin' the Rivers- Kathleen Murray and the Groove Council, Kiefer Park
- 25-26 Marysville's Hot Wheels Weekend
- 25-26 Margarita Fest, Lexington

Flyboarding in Lake Huron, near Lakeport



- 26 80's Party, McMorran Plaza
- 26 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 26 Blue Water Traditional Pow Wow, Fort Gratiot Lighthouse

## SEPTEMBER

- 1 Music in the Park, Lexington
- 1-10/8 The Odd Couple at the Riverbank Theatre, Marine City
- 1-29 Music in the Plaza- Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, McMorran Plaza
- 2-3 Algonac Art Fair
- 2 Thumbfest, Lexington
- 2-10/28 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 3 Hollywood Nights- A Bob Seger Experience, Lexington Village Theatre
- 6 Farmers Market- Wednesdays thru October 25, St. Clair



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- 7 Karaoke Nights, McMorran Plaza
- 7-10 Richmond Good Old Days
- 8-9 Antique & Classic Boat Show, Port Huron
- 9 MI New Favorite Snack (9am-2pm),  
Downtown Port Huron
- 9 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron
- 10-15 Community Roof Sit for Kids, MiMutual  
Mortgage Roof
- 11 Port Huron Town Hall- John Lithgow,  
McMorran Place
- 14 Karaoke Nights, McMorran Plaza
- 14-17 Bach Festival, Lexington
- 16 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron
- 16 Mike Super- Magic & Illusion, Lexington  
Village Theatre
- 21 Karaoke Nights, McMorran Plaza
- 23 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron



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- 24 Alzheimer's 5K, Port Huron
- 28 Karaoke Nights, McMorran Plaza
- 30 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm)  
(Every Sat), Port Huron
- 30 Octoberfest, McMorran Plaza
- 30 Scarecrow Saturday, Fort Gratiot

## OCTOBER

- 1 Taking a Shot at Breast Cancer 5K,  
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## OCTOBER (Continued)

- 4 Farmers Market- Wednesdays thru October 25, St. Clair
- 6 Comedian Dave Landau w/ Derek Richards, Lexington Village Theatre
- 7 Scarecrow Contest, Lexington
- 7-10/28 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 9 Port Huron Town Hall- Alison Victoria, McMorran Place
- 13 Fall Art Hop, Port Huron
- 14 1964- The Beatles, Lexington Village Theatre
- 14 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 4 Fall in for Halloween, Marysville Park
- 21 Vantage Point Farmers Market (8am-2pm) (Every Sat), Port Huron
- 27-11/26 The Christmas Schooner at the Riverbank Theatre, Marine City
- 28 Vantage Point Farmers Market, Port Huron

## NOVEMBER

- 2-5 Holiday Market Squares, Lexington
- 3-4 Trial by Fire- Tribute to Journey, Lexington Village Theatre
- 10-11 Rumours- A Fleetwood Mac Tribute, Lexington Village Theatre
- 11 Girlfriends Day Away, Lexington

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- 13 Port Huron Town Hall- John O'Leary, McMorran Place
- 17 Lighted Santa Parade & Tree Lighting, St. Clair
- 20 Christmas in the Park Set Up, Marysville
- 24 Sperry's Santa Parade, Port Huron

## DECEMBER

- 1-1/31 Christmas in the Park, Marysville
- 1-23 Elf the Musical at the Boardwalk Theatre, Marine City
- 2 Merrytime Christmas, Marine City
- 2 Christmas Tree Lighting & Merchant Walk, Lexington
- 2 Lighted Christmas Parade, Marysville
- 8 Rocky Mountain Christmas, a Tribute to John Denver, Lexington Village Theatre
- 9 Christmas Horse Parade, Lexington
- 9 Fool House- The Ultimate 90s Dance Party, Lexington Village Theatre

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 11 Port Huron Town Hall- Barbara Payton,  
McMorran Place
- 31 Rockstar- NYE- The International Arena  
Rock Sensation, Lexington Village Theatre

## JANUARY '24

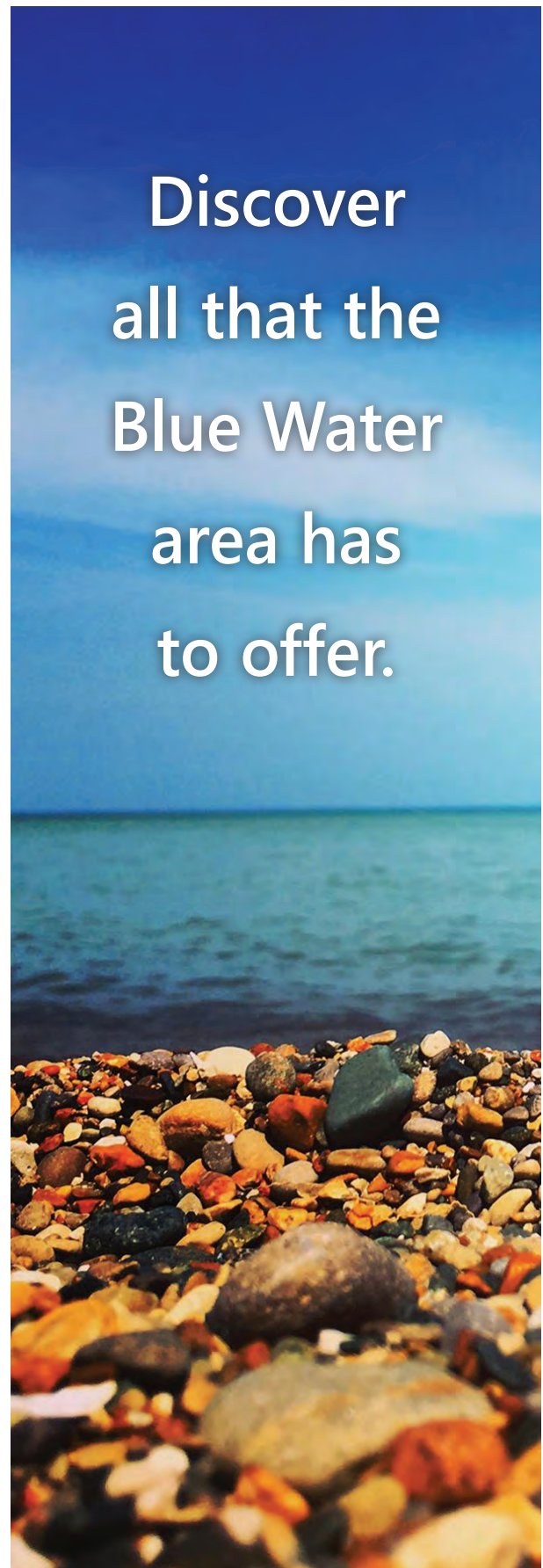
- 1/1-1/21 Icy Bazaar, St. Clair
- 1/28 Lexington Ice Fishing Contest
- 1/28 RadioFirst Wedding Expo

## FEBRUARY '24

- 2/3-2/4 Winterfest Weekend, Lexington

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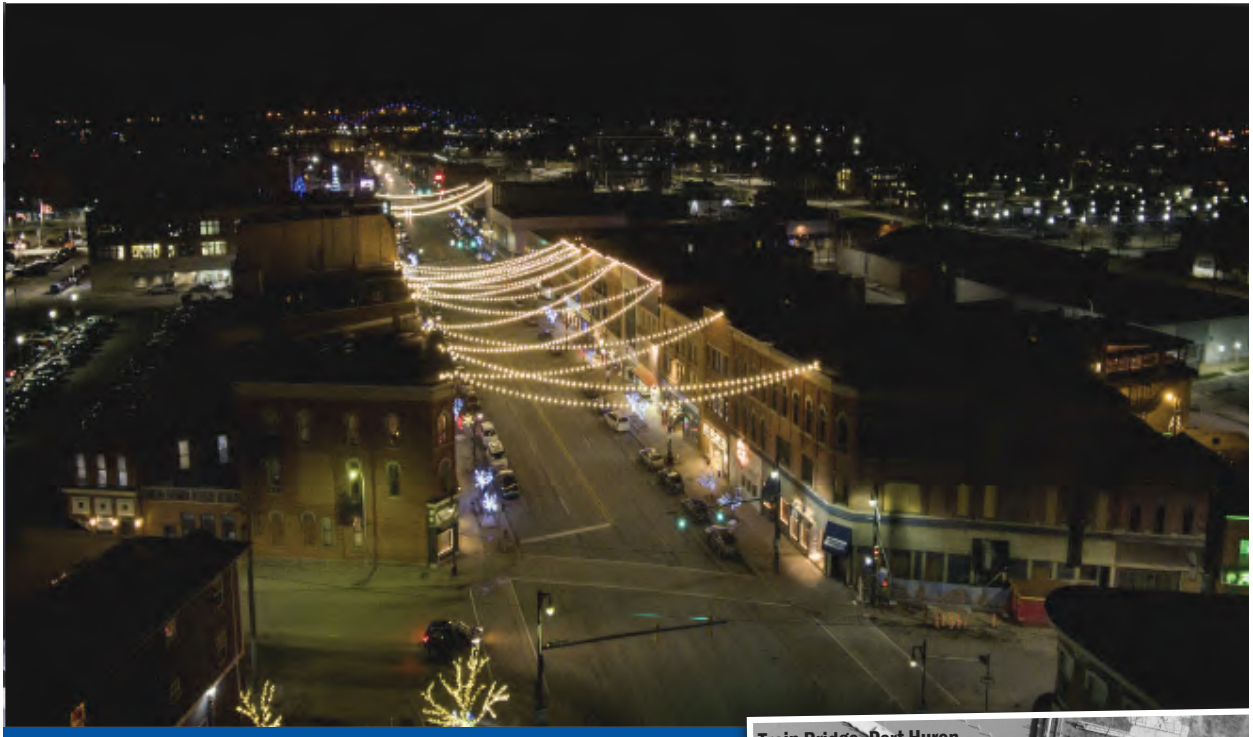
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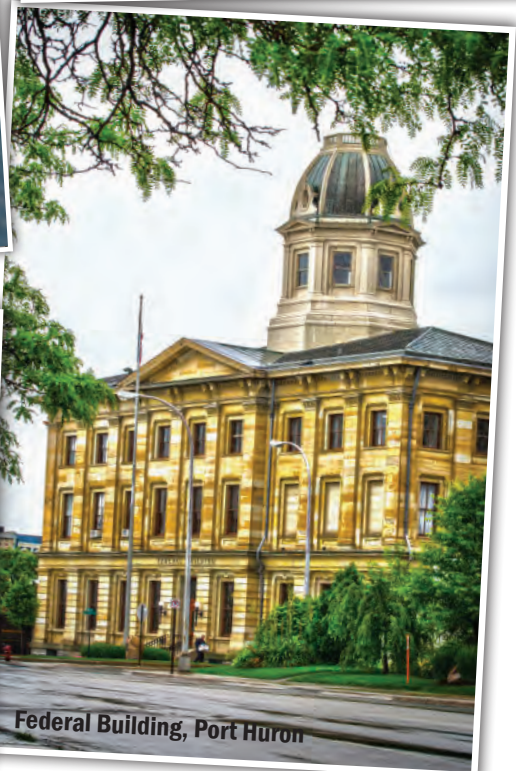
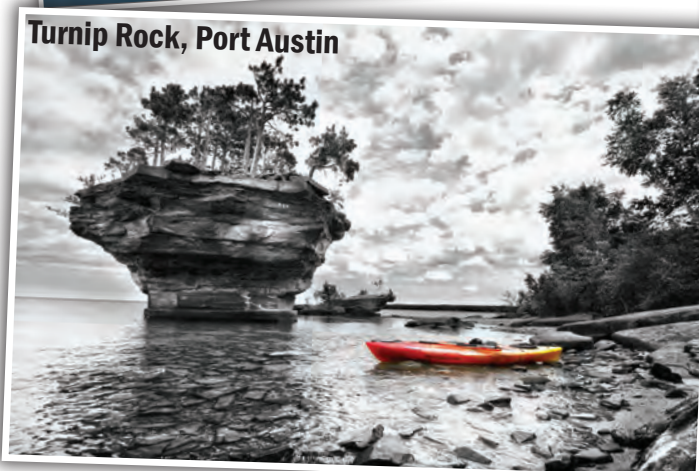
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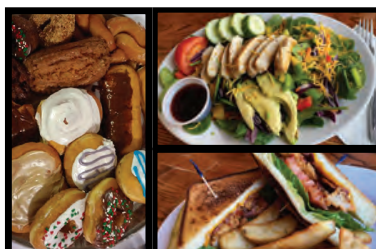
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