



# PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO DO...

## Ideas for Family Entertainment!

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### JUNE 2

**Elk Rapids Artbeat/Summer Art Spectacular** Three award-winning galleries open house gallery walk 10am-5pm. Find original fine art, affordable artist-made items. Three \$100 gift certificates drawn from those visiting all three galleries. Refreshments & artists demonstrating their work. Mullaly's 128 Studio & Gallery on River Street, downtown; Blue Heron Gallery on Ames Street; Twisted Fish Gallery south of Elk Rapids, along US 31. <http://elkrapidschamber.org>

### JUNE 5

**Parkinson's Support Group** Parkinson's Network North Evening Support Group sponsors a split group discussion: A Parkinson's Journey. Bring \$25 to register for June 7 summer forum at Hagerty Center (includes lunch). 6pm at Munson Community Health Center rms A&B 550 Munson Ave TC 231-947-7389

### JUNE 9

**33rd Annual Leland Wine & Food Festival** Award-winning wines from Leelanau Peninsula, local food vendors, live music, & beautiful views of Lake Michigan & the Manitou Islands. 12-6pm Leland Harbor 231-866-1133 [www.lelandmi.com](http://www.lelandmi.com)

**Kaleidoscope: 25 Years of Musical Memories** Leelanau Children's Choir & Youth Ensemble concert at Northport Community Arts Center Auditorium 7:30pm \$15 adults \$5 students tickets at door or 231-883-SING (7464) 104 S. Wing St Northport

### JUNE 9 - 10

**Relay for Life of Grand Traverse** Come support the American Cancer Society in their flagship fundraising event! Join 24-hr walking relay in honor of those who have survived cancer and in memory of those who have not. Registered survivors receive a complimentary event T-shirt and 2 lunch tickets. 10am June 9 - 10am June 10; celebration at noon. Northwestern Michigan Fairgrounds 3606 Blair Town Hall Rd TC [www.relayforlife.org](http://www.relayforlife.org) 231-590-6320

### JUNE 13

**The Great Giveaway** Household items, furniture, lawn & sporting equipment - all FREE to anyone who can use them. There will be food, music, and plenty of community spirit. See the event tab at [fctc.org](http://fctc.org) for more details. 6:30-8:30pm First Congregational Church, 6105 Center Road TC

**Leelanau Clean Water Symposium** Explore the health of area lakes and streams with The Watershed Center and Leelanau Conservancy, what 28 years of data show and where emerging technology can lead. Open to the public 11am-2pm \$20 lunch provided. Leelanau School, 1 Old Homestead Rd Glen Arbor preregister at [ybrown@leelanauconservancy.org](mailto:ybrown@leelanauconservancy.org) by June 7. <http://leelanauconservancy.org>

### JUNE 15

**12th Annual Summer Solstice Art Walk** Visit local participating shops in Suttons Bay and meet local artists. Stopping at all participating stores enters you for a drawing for one of two \$200 Village Shopping Sprees. 5-9pm, downtown Suttons Bay

### JUNE 16

**Fairies & Forts** This family tradition welcomes summer at Michigan Legacy Art Park. Enjoy art, a story and music performance, light refreshments, & a bagpipe march to the Fort. 2-5pm Located at Crystal Mountain, 12500 Crystal Mountain Dr Thompsonville <https://michlegacyartpark.org>

### JUNE 17

**Father's Day Chicken Dinner** St Mary-Hannah church & school presents eat in/takeout dinner, bingo, carnival games for kids, silent auction, attic treasures, and the Golden Griffin Raffle. 11:30pm, takeout until 4pm, raffle drawing at 4:15. \$13/adult \$5 kids, pre-school free. 2912 W M-113, Kingsley 231-263-5640

### JUNE 18

**Kayak Grass River** Guided paddle with naturalist down Grass River. Learn about access sites, basic kayak techniques, wildlife & natural history. \$45 includes kayak rental, \$25 if you bring your own. 9-11:30am Grass River Natural Area 65000 Alden Hwy Bellaire 231-533-8576 [www.grassriver.org](http://www.grassriver.org)

### JUNE 20

**Michigan State Capitol Talk** Fife Lake Area Historical Society presents Valerie Marvin, Michigan State Capitol Historian, traveling through 150 years of construction, evolution, restoration, and renewal of this remarkable building. Free 7pm Fife Lake Public Library 77 Lakecrest Ln.

### JUNE 21

**Computer Workshop** Leland Library Director will tech about different types of technology, such as iPhones and iPads, or how to use Facebook or Google more efficiently. The topic is to be announced. Free 1pm Leland Township Library 203 E. Cedar St 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

### JUNE 21 - 24

**37th Annual Cedar Polka Fest** Dance under the big tent to the big names in polka! Great food, games, and more. 231-228-3378, or see their Facebook page for more info.

### JUNE 22

**Poetry Workshop with Mary Ann Samyn** Subject: "Poems are where you find them." Make yourself available to the poems that are available to you. Material abounds; there's never any shortage. Write, read, look around—deeply & appreciatively. Free, 2-4pm. Leland Township Library 203 E Cedar Street 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

### JUNE 23

**Boater Safety Class** Leelanau County Sheriff's Office offers this class for boaters who will be at least 12 by the end of the boating season. Bring a sack lunch & water bottle. Course materials are provided. Free. Registration is at 8am, class begins immediately after. Leelanau County Courthouse E. Government Center Dr Suttons Bay 231-256-8650

**Run for Shelter** 5k run/walk benefits Goodwill Inn Homeless Shelter. Registration \$35 until 6/22, \$40 on race day 8-8:45am. Race starts at 9. Register by 6/15 to be eligible for prize drawing. Starts/finishes Willow Hill Elementary School 1250 Hill St TC. 231-922-4805 [www.goodwillnmi.org](http://www.goodwillnmi.org)

### JUNE 24

**Around the World in 80 Minutes** Northport Community Band & Village Voices joint concert of music from around the world. 2pm Northport Community Arts Center at Northport School, 104 S. Wing St 231-386-5001 [www.northportcac.org](http://www.northportcac.org)

### JUNE 27

**An Evening with Jack Driscoll** Join Michigan Notable Book Author & Interlochen native, Jack Driscoll, as he reads from and discusses his latest work, *The Goat Fish and the Lover's Knot*. Free, 6-7pm. Leland Township Library 203 E Cedar Street 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

### JUNE 30

**Book Sale** Sponsored by Friends of the Leelanau Township Library, 9am-3pm at Leelanau Township Hall (next to the library). 119 E Nagonaba St Northport 231-386-5131

### JUNE 30 - JULY 7

**92nd Annual National Cherry Festival** Traverse City's yearly agricultural extravaganza features an air show, many concerts, parades, and more. Various venues throughout town. 231-947-4230 [www.cherryfestival.org](http://www.cherryfestival.org)

### JULY 4

**Fireworks** These communities will have fireworks displays on July 4: Beulah, Boyne City, Crystal Mountain, Elk Rapids, Frankfort, Northport, Petoskey, Traverse City (choreographed to music), Torch Lake.

### JULY 10

**Bay View Cottage Walk** 7 historic cottages open to the public in this Victorian summer community just north of Petoskey. 10am-4pm tickets & information at [bayviewassociation.org](http://bayviewassociation.org)

### JULY 11

**Simple Estate Plans Free**, 6-7pm. Leland Township Library 203 E Cedar Street 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

### JULY 14

**Book Sale** Friends of the Leland Library Book Sale sells donated books to raise funds for the library. 10:00am Leland Township Library 203 E. Cedar St 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

### JULY 16-19

**Vacation Bible School** Ages 3yr-5th grade. 9am-Noon First Congregational Church 6105 Center Rd Traverse City. More information [fctc.org](http://fctc.org), Events tab or email [jill.jones@fctc.org](mailto:jill.jones@fctc.org).

### JULY 19

**36th Annual Garden Walk** Friendly Garden Club of TC features a walk thru 5 lovely & unique gardens. \$10 presale, \$12 day of, 16 & under free. Noon-7pm rain or shine. Tickets from garden club members, local nurseries, TC Visitor Center & [mynorth.com](http://mynorth.com).

### JULY 28, 29, 31 and AUG 1, 2, 4, 5

**The Wizard of Oz** Northport Community Arts Center presents the timeless musical about a misunderstood girl who longs for life "Over the Rainbow." Sundays 2pm, all other performances 7:30pm 104 S. Wing St. Tickets at 231-386-5001, info at [www.northportcac.org](http://www.northportcac.org)

### JULY 31 - AUGUST 5

**13th Annual Traverse City Film Festival** An outstanding selection of independent films as well as premieres, parties, panel discussions and lectures about the world of film. Various venues throughout the Grand Traverse Bay region. 231-392-1134 [traversecityfilmfest.org](http://traversecityfilmfest.org).

### AUGUST 1 - 4

**Elk Rapids Harbor Days** Kids Day games, athletic events, festival parade, musical entertainment, yoga on the beach, bicycle stunt show, Arnold's Amusement Carnival and more. Various venues throughout Elk Rapids. 231-342-1058 [elkrapidsharbordays.org](http://elkrapidsharbordays.org).

### AUGUST 4

**Drive-in Fly -in Pancake Breakfast** Woosley Airport north of Northport from 8 am-noon. Rain date August 5.

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**Adoption/Foster Care Meetings** Monthly State Adoptions & Foster Care & International Adoption at Bethany Christian Services 1055 Carriage Hill Dr TC 231-995-0870 [www.bethany.org/traverse](http://www.bethany.org/traverse)

**American Red Cross of Northwest Michigan** Health & Safety Services offer monthly Classes, CPR & more 735 S Garfield Ave Suite B-100 TC 231-947-7286

**Artcenter Traverse City** Ongoing classes [www.mwcsart.com](http://www.mwcsart.com)

**Boardman River Nature Center** Nature themed programs. Exhibit gallery, theater room & kids' craft area. Outside: native plant gardens, wetland, hiking trails. Tue-Sat 10am-4pm 1450 Cass Rd TC [www.naturecalling.org](http://www.naturecalling.org)

**Central United Methodist Church** Wonderful Wednesday Night Dinners: family meal and after dinner programs for children, youth, & adults. Downtown TC 231-946-5191 [www.tccentralumc.org/children](http://www.tccentralumc.org/children)

**The Grand Traverse Baby Pantry** In Bethlehem Lutheran Church 1050 Peninsula Dr TC Open 2nd & 4th Thurs of month. 10 am-4 pm. Any Grand Traverse County family w/ a 3-year-old & younger eligible to shop 231-941-0655

**Grand Traverse Lighthouse** Museum, gift shop, climb the tower. 15500 Lighthouse Point Rd Northport 231-386-7195 [www.grandtraverselighthouse.com](http://www.grandtraverselighthouse.com)

**Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy** Free activities - nature hikes, invasive species management, more. [gtrlc.org/events](http://gtrlc.org/events)

**Grass River Natural Area Family Events** Outdoor fun and education. Nature Story Hour second Tues each month, many other activities. 65000 Alden Hwy Bellaire 231-533-8576 [www.grassriver.org](http://www.grassriver.org)

**Horizon Books** Monday Kids Story Hour. Stories, craft project & some activities. 10am Downtown TC

**La Leche League Breastfeeding Support** 2nd Tues of month 10:30am in nursery at Central United Methodist Church, TC 231-642-7564 [www.LLLI.org](http://www.LLLI.org)

**East Bay Branch Library** Wiggler's - preschoolers, their families & friends. Stories, songs, poetry, finger plays & fun. 10:30am Weds & Fridays last 2 weeks of month. Three Mile Rd

**Elk Rapids District Public Library** Children's story time: Stories, songs, crafts Weds 10:30am all pre-schoolers welcome [erdl@elkrapidsnet.com](mailto:erdl@elkrapidsnet.com) 231-264-9979

**Glen Lake Community Library** Stories & More preschool story time-activities, rhymes & songs 11am Thurs in Empire 231-326-5361

**Interlochen Public Library** Preschool Story Hour-Weds 10am & 1pm. Baby Play Time 1st & 3rd Fri 10am. Chaz the Therapy Dog Weds 4-6pm. Book Discussion Groups: Morning 2nd Thurs/mo 10am, Evening 1st Weds/mo 6:30pm, Senior Tuesdays 12:30pm. 231-276-6767 [www.interlochenpubliclibrary.org](http://www.interlochenpubliclibrary.org)

**Kingsley Library** Wiggler's: stories, songs, crafts & fun every Weds 10:30am Geared toward preschoolers. 231-263-5484 [www.tadl.org/kingsley](http://www.tadl.org/kingsley)

**Leland Township Library** Summer kids program focuses on reading about & interacting with music. Fridays, 10:30am, June 15-July 27. Call ahead. 203 E. Cedar St 231-256-9152 [www.lelandlibrary.org](http://www.lelandlibrary.org)

**Leelanau Township Library** Wiggler's preschool story time 10:30 Thursdays thru June 14, then Libraries Rock! Summer stories and events Thursdays thru the summer. 119 E Nagonaba St Northport 231-386-5131

**Traverse Area District Library** Wiggler's Fun: Wed & Thurs 9:30 or 11 am 610 Woodmere [www.tadl.org](http://www.tadl.org) 932-8503

**Michael's Place** "Make a Memory" workshops - 3rd Thurs of month, 4-8pm. Make a scrapbook, memory box, pillow, stuffed animal, quilt or movie in memory of a loved one who died. Bring pictures &/or items of clothing of loved one to use in project, other materials provided. 1055 Carriage Hill Dr. Ste 4 TC 231-947-MIKE

**Michigan Legacy Art Park** Non-profit 30-acre preserve at Crystal Mountain. 40+ outdoor sculptures celebrating Michigan's culture & history along 1.6 miles of wooded hiking trails. [www.michlegacyartpark.org](http://www.michlegacyartpark.org)

**The Dennis Museum Center** "Monster Fish: In Search of the Last River Giants," from National Geographic, June 17thru October 7 plus other educational and artistic exhibits 1701 E. Front St TC 231-995-1055 [www.dennismuseum.org](http://www.dennismuseum.org)

**Eyaawing Museum & Cultural Center** The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians' museum & cultural center & Odaawe Gamik (museum store) 10am-4pm Wed-Sat donation for entry 231-534-7764 2605 NW Bay Shore Dr Peshawbestown [www.gtbindians.org/eyaawing.asp](http://www.gtbindians.org/eyaawing.asp)

**Grand Rapids Public Museum** "Be the Astronaut," June 16-Sept 16. 272 Pearl St NW 616-456-3519 [www.gmuseum.org](http://www.gmuseum.org)

**Great Lakes Children's Museum** Interactive Story Time Weds 11am story w/ activity or craft, free w/ museum admission. Toddler Time-Fri 10 am-12pm Free w/ museum admission. Tues-Sat 10 am-5 pm Sun 1-5 pm 13240 S. West Bayshore Dr 231-932-4526 [www.GreatLakesKids.org](http://www.GreatLakesKids.org)

**Guntzville's Spirit of the Woods** Native American artifacts & wildlife museum 11060 US 31 N Elk Rapids 231-264-5597

**Leelanau Historical Society Museum** open June thru October, Wed-Fri 10am-4pm & Sat 10am-2pm. 203 Cedar St, Leland 231-256-7475 [www.leelanauhistory.org](http://www.leelanauhistory.org)

**Silent Movies at Music House Museum** Monthly. [www.musichouse.org](http://www.musichouse.org)

**Northport Area Museum** Oct-Apr open by appointment; May-Sept open weekdays 10-2pm, weekends 10-4pm. By the marina in Northport.

**Music in the Park** 7pm Fridays June 29-August 31 Northport Marina

**Northwestern Michigan College** Free campus tours-Welcome Center in Health & Science Building Fridays 11 am 995-1054

**Public Viewing Nights** Rogers Observatory \$2/person; \$5/family 9-11pm 1753 Brimley Rd TC 231-995-2300 [www.nmc.edu/rogers](http://www.nmc.edu/rogers)

**TC Vegans** Vegan support group: meets 2nd & 4th Sun of the month, 1-3pm to talk about issues, exchange recipes & share food. Check website for location & confirmation of meetings 231-588-2135 [www.tcvégans.org](http://www.tcvégans.org)

**Third Level Youth Drop-In Center** Mon & Thurs 3-6pm, 14-20yr old youth invited to hang out & participate in groups. Safe community space includes art, games, movies, cooking classes, groups & more. Supervised. United Way building 521 S Union St. TC (alley entrance) [www.thirdlevel.org](http://www.thirdlevel.org)

**Traverse City Visitor Center** 101 W Grandview Parkway, north end of Union S TC 231-947-0692

**YMCA** YMCA Family Fun Night 2nd Fri of month at YMCA Silver Lake Facility 3700 Silver Lake Rd TC-YMCA members \$5, \$20 per family non-members [www.gtbayymca.org](http://www.gtbayymca.org)