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11 a.m.

Midway Arnold Amusements
Visit Traverse City's own favorite amusements near the Festival Open Space.
Grandview Parkway at Union Street

12-Noon

Cherry Beary Picnic with Grandparents
Sponsored by Grand Traverse Pavilions
Intergenerational. Food, fun, entertainment and games. Bring your grandkids and his or her favorite teddy bear. Prizes awarded for best-dressed bear. Must have complimentary cherry tickets to attend. Limited to first 250 participants. Tickets may be picked up at Grand Traverse Pavilions, Traverse City Senior Center or the National Cherry Festival office. Additional feature: the co-authors and illustrator of the Festival's official children's book, "Hidden Cherries," will be on hand for a book signing during the picnic. *F&M Park, State and Railroad*

1 p.m.

Sara Lee Bakery Cherry Pie Eating Contest
A kids' favorite and a mecca of photo opportunities for the amateur photographer. Age classifications from pre-school to 12 years old. *F & M Park, Railroad and Washington*

1-11 p.m.

Bay Side Entertainment Stage
Sponsored by Pepsi and Kentucky Fried Chicken. Presented by Blue Cross/Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan.
Festival-goers will enjoy evening entertainment along the shores of West Grand Traverse Bay each festival day. Admission after 6 p.m. is your Commemorative Pin. Enjoy a musical sampling all day long. Week-long media sponsors are TV 7 & 4 and Charter Communications. Interpreters for the deaf sponsored by Charter Digital. *Festival Open Space, Grandview Parkway*

1-4 p.m.
Bingo

Sponsored by Nation's Rent Cash prizes. *Parking Lot T, Grandview Parkway at Union Street (near Boardman River and Union Street)*

1-7 p.m.

Kiteboarding Demonstration on the shores of the bay
Witness and learn the wave of the future for water sports enthusiasts. Kiteboarding utilizes wind and water to surf. See regional professionals Matt & Keegan Myers from Broneah demonstrate the wave to come on wake and surf boards. Learn through interactive displays and on-water demonstrations. *West End Park Beach at the volleyball courts, Grandview Parkway*

1:30- 2:30 p.m.

Cherry Industry Program
Sponsored by Michigan Cherry Committee
Cherry industry information is presented in this special program, bringing industry leaders, Festival officials and the National Cherry Queen together. *MSU NW Michigan Horticultural Research Station (Follow Grandview Parkway to M-22 North, 4 miles to Crain Hill Road, turn left (west), then right (north) on Center Highway (C.R. 633). Shuttle available from the Visitors Center.)*

6-7 p.m.

Planters Go Nuts! Bed Race
In cooperation with WKLT Radio - Double Rock 97.5, 98.9
Held in front of thousands of curbside viewers awaiting the start of the AAA Michigan Heritage Parade, the annual Bed Race hosts wacky bed racers paired off leading to an exciting run to the finish line. Awards based on costuming, design and speed. Preregistration at 947-4230 is required. Register online or call the Festival office for an entry form. *Front Street between Park and Cass*

7 p.m.

AAA Michigan Heritage Parade
An all time favorite parade down Front Street. Live regional telecast on the Festival Parade Network, ABC 29 & 8. Approximately two hours. *Front to Union to 13th (wheelchair access at corner of 6th and Union Streets)*

7 p.m.

Seniors Pinochle Tournament
Sponsored by Grand Traverse Pavilions
No reservations necessary. Must be 55 or over. Door prizes and more. Cost: \$3 per person. *Traverse City Senior Center, Front and Barlow*

7 p.m.

Wakeboarding Demonstrations
Sponsored by Action Water Sports and MasterCraft
One of the hottest, most extreme of all summer water sports is Wakeboarding! Wakeboarding demonstrations are scheduled to run Monday-Friday at 7 p.m. on the Bay at the West End Beach Volleyball Courts beach, before the nightly Bay Side Entertainment Stage headliner music acts. This thrilling new event will feature local and Grand Rapids area boarders showing off their radical tricks behind MasterCraft X-Series Boats. *West End Beach at the volleyball courts, Grandview Parkway*

8-9:30 p.m.

Country Fresh Ice Cream Social
In cooperation with Classic Hits-The Fox
A cherry way to top off your day. An ice cream social featuring all time favorite cherry sundaes. Fee required. *Festival Open Space, Grandview Parkway and Union*

9 p.m.

Asleep At The Wheel on the Bay Side Entertainment Stage
Sponsored by Pepsi and Kentucky Fried Chicken, and presented by Blue Cross/Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan, Charter Communications and WPBN/WTOM TV7&4
Country music takes center stage with Asleep At The Wheel following the AAA Michigan Heritage Parade. *Festival Open Space, Grandview Parkway*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7 Special Kids and Volunteer Recognition Day

9 a.m.-noon

Fun and Games for Special Kids
Sponsored by Tom's Food Markets, Glen's Markets, and Oleson's Food Stores
A fun-filled morning for hearing, visually, physically impaired, and developmentally disabled children. Activities include a trip to the Midway, where they will be hosted by Ivan and Agnes Arnold of Arnold



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Native American culture and tradition are celebrated on Heritage Day.

Amusements. Interpreters for the deaf sponsored by Charter Digital. Also, don't miss a special book signing between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with the co-authors and illustrator of the Festival's official children's book, "Hidden Cherries." *Festival Open Space, Grandview Parkway and Union*

9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Hole-In-One Golf Contest
Sponsored by Garland and Passageways/Carlson Wagonlit Travel, in cooperation with WLDR Radio-Sunny 101.9.
Daily awards and prizes. Daily winners return on Saturday, July 10, for a chance to win a grand prize, a Garland Golf Home. See Saturday, July 10, for details on the Hole-In-One Golf Contest Finals. *Bay Meadows Golf Course - follow Grandview Parkway west to Division south to West Front west; turn right on Cedar Run to Barney*

9 a.m.

International World Cup

Beach Volleyball Competition
Enjoy watching athletes from around the world compete along the shores of Grand Traverse Bay. *West End Volleyball Court Beach Area, Grandview Parkway*

9 a.m.

State Sanctioned Seniors' Shuffleboard Tournament
Sponsored by Grand Traverse Pavilions

Equipment provided or bring your own. Must be 55 or over. Prizes awarded to top finishers. Advance registration requested. Call the Senior Center at 922-4911. Registration forms are available at the Festival office, Traverse City Senior Center, Grand Traverse Pavilions, Bay Meadows Golf Course, and Timber Lanes. *Traverse City Senior Center, Front and Barlow*

10 a.m.-noon

Bicycle Rodeo
Sponsored by Big Boy