

NCF's Heritage Day celebrates who we are

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TRAVERSE CITY— The retrospective festivities of Heritage Day will feature both the traditional Native American Pow Wow Dance as well as an Old Fashioned Family Picnic— a new addition this year.

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Heritage Day is presented on July 6 by Traverse Bay Entertainment.

The picnic will feature old-fashioned games like tug-of-war, wheelbarrow races, potato sack races and cherries on a spoon races.



Hot dogs and brats will be served, along with potato

chips, watermelon and cherry pie.

The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians will display traditional dance, dress, music and crafts at the Pow Wow. Historical reenactments by the Mattis and Maritime Heritage Alliance will also take place.

"Heritage Day is to let people know where we come from, what we've done, and where we're going,"

Director Dawn Centilli said.

"If we didn't have Heritage Day, we wouldn't have Cherry Festival," she said. "It started way back with the cherry blossoms and grew from there. If we have no heritage, we have no future."










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on July 6 by Traverse Bay Entertainment. The Pow Wow will take place at the Open Space from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The picnic will take place at Hannah Park from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. There is a charge of \$3 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under. A portion of the proceeds from the event will go to the Heritage Center.



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