

Entertainment

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- Sept. 18:** Harvest Pageant and Festival, Little Artshram Farm, Maple City, 228-3493.
- Sept. 18:** Second Annual Fall Family Fun Fest, noon-5 p.m., activities, food, Casman Alternative Academy, Manistee, 723-4981.
- Sept. 18:** Claudia Schmidt & The JumpBoys; 7:30 p.m., hand-picked group of jazz pros, Northport Community Arts Center, 386-5001.
- Sept. 18:** Harbor Springs Cycling Classic, 526-2151.
- Sept. 18:** Taste of Harbor Springs, noon-3 p.m., Harbor Springs Municipal Marina, 526-7999.
- Sept. 18:** Lake Michigan Federation's Annual Adopt-a-beach event; trash removal from Lake Michigan shoreline; Lake Michigan Federation, (866) 850-0745.
- Sept. 18:** The World Famous Scottville Clown Band, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 senior, WSSC students and children, \$14 at the door, Center Stage Theater, West Shore Community College, Scottville, 845-6211.
- Sept. 18:** Benzie Area Historical Society's Bus Tour of Historic Churches, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., \$25 members, \$30 non-members, includes lunch, 882-5539.
- Sept. 18:** "Wood Boats on the Wall," Classic Boat Show, over 30 classic boats tied up along Leland River, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Museum on Leland River, 256-7475.
- Sept. 18-19:** "Big Mac" Fall Shoreline Bike Tour; 25, 50, 75 or 100 mile bike tour along shores of Lake Michigan, meet at Mackinaw City High School at 7 a.m., 436-5574.
- Sept. 18-19:** Manistee Symphony Orchestra and Chorus; 8 p.m., concert featuring Lynn Potter, Chris Potter and John Petersen, Ramsdell Theatre, Manistee, 723-6724.
- Sept. 18-19:** Harvest Stompede, run or hike through Leelanau Peninsula Vineyards, 7-mile "Grape Buster" or 5K "Stinger", portion of proceeds go to Leelanau Land Conservancy, www.lpwines.com or 938-1811.
- Sept. 19:** Botanical Garden Society Celebration; bonfire celebration, music and blessing of the land, 2 p.m., Society's property on Vanderlip Road, 935-4077.
- Sept. 19:** Leelanau Harvest Tour; 25, 45, 65 or 100 mile bike tour passing through farms, orchards and lakes of Leelanau County, begin and end at Glen Lake School, after-ride meal included in rider's fee; offered by TART Trail, LHT@cherry-capital.com.
- Sept. 19-25:** American Painting from the Detroit Institute of Art; 35 selected works chronicling American painting from Colonial times to the Ash Can School, Dennon Museum Center, Traverse City, 995-1055.
- Sept. 23-25:** "Assassins," musical by Stephen Sondheim, adult-oriented show, 7 p.m., Old Town Playhouse, Traverse City, 947-2210.
- Sept. 24:** Observatory Viewing, 9-11 p.m., moon, Roger's Observatory, Brimley Road, south of Traverse City, 946-1787.
- Sept. 24:** Generations Gala, 6-11 p.m., reception, silent live auction, dinner and dancing, music by Bill Sears Quartet, Northwestern Michigan College 20-piece Big Band, Luther Gravey and Soul Biscuits, \$75 per person, \$600 for table of eight, Great Lakes Campus of NMC, Traverse City, 932-3027.

Sept. 24-26: Walk-Thru-History, displays, demonstrations, music, encampments and hands-on experiences from 1600 to 1923, Wellington Farm Park, Grayling, (888) 653-3276 or www.wellingtonparkfarm.org.

Sept. 25: Bellaire Harvest Festival & Scarecrow Extravaganza; family fun, entertainment, Best Apple Recipe Contest, farm-grown fruits and vegetables, plants, flowers and herbs, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Richard Park, Bellaire, 533-6023.

Sept. 25: Tour de St. Francis; walk, bike, blade from Charlevoix to East Park in Petoskey, \$8 per person, \$25 per family, 487-9064.

Sept. 25: Vasa Trail Run; 5K, 11K and 25K run on Vasa Pathway, \$10, 8 a.m. registration, 9 a.m. race, begins at Vasa Trail Head on Bartlett Road and Bunker Hill in Acme, 947-6417.

Sept. 25-26: Symphonic I: Season Opener, Beethoven, 8 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, featuring violinist Walter Verdehr, Corson Auditorium, Interlochen Center for the Arts, 947-7120.

Sept. 25-26: Friends Book Sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, noon-5 p.m. Sunday, Traverse Area District Library on Woodmere, Traverse City, 932-8500.

Sept. 26: Bay Racing's Little Valley MX Park Race; outdoor motocross race, 11:30 a.m., \$8 adults, \$5 children, 3 and under free, Little Valley MX Park, Kingsley, 262-2366.

Sept. 30: Tall Plants hike, explore different wildlife communities on Whaleback Moraine, 10 a.m., Leelanau Conservancy, 256-9665 to register.

Sept. 30-Oct. 3: Epicurean Classic to celebrate food and wine arts and wine arts, food and wine from celebrity chefs and international winemakers, international tastings, kitchenware expos, auctions, special events, dinners and cooking classes, Great Lakes Culinary Institute, Traverse City, 932-0475 or www.epicureanclassic.com.

October

Oct. 1: Michael Ruhlman, author of "The Soul of a Chef," "The Making of a Chef," "Wooden Boat" and "Walking in Water," 7 p.m., wine and cheese reception at 6:30 p.m., \$12, Hagerty Center at NMC's Maritime Building, Traverse City, Traverse Area District Library, 932-8500.

Oct. 1-3: Biketoberfest, bike tours through Boyne River Valley area, Saturday night bash, chairlift ride up Boyne Mountain, www.zoo-demack.com.

Oct. 1-3: Fall Harvest & Heritage Festival, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, noon-4 p.m. Sunday, harvest market, lumberjacks from Great Lakes Timber Show, juried arts and crafts show, kids activities, Boyne City, 582-6222.

Oct. 2: Botanical Garden Walk, walk-about of Botanical Garden Society's property on Vanderlip Road, 10 a.m., guest speaker, 935-4077.

Oct. 2: Alden Heritage Day, artisans demonstrating crafts in downtown shops, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., downtown Alden, 331-4432.

Oct. 2: Harvest Festival, Grand Traverse Commons Barns.

Oct. 2: Squash Festival, open air farmer's market, special sales in stores, family fun activities and music, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Elk Rapids, 264-8202 or (800) 626-7328.

Oct. 2: Fall Open House at By the Bight Gallery and Studio, "Immerse Yourself in Color by the Bight," 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Northport, 386-7019.

Oct. 2: Flamenco Chicago Productions, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 senior, WSSC students and children, \$14 at the door, Center Stage Theater, West Shore Community College, Scottville, 845-6211.

Oct. 2: Howell to Cadillac Fall Color Tour, Lake Central Rail Tours, 8 a.m. departure from Howell, (866) 608-0746; www.lakecentralrailtours.com.

Oct. 2-3: Pumpkinfest, farm market, hayrides, Wellington Farm Park, Grayling, (888) 653-3276.

Oct. 3: Alden Vintage Car Show, vintage cars from northern Michigan car clubs, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., downtown Alden, 331-6431.

Oct. 5: Mushrooms of Kehl Lake Natural Area, mushroom expert Ed Reinert leads walk to identify different species of mushrooms brought on by fall rains, 10 a.m., Leelanau Conservancy, 256-9665 to register and get directions.

Oct. 8-9: Fiber Festival 2004, original fiber art for exhibition and sale, opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, exhibition 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Old Art School Building, Leland, 256-2131.

Oct. 8-9: "Misery," play based on Stephen King's novel of same name, Old Town Playhouse, Traverse City, 947-2210.

Oct. 8-10: Grayling Adventure Weekend, Grayling and the surrounding areas, 937-8837.

Oct. 8-10: 25th Annual Apple Festival, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., event honoring local orchards and growers, 30 types of apples and apple products, variety of produce and baked goods, arts and crafts show, Charlevoix, 547-2101.

Oct. 9: "For Love of Quilts and Their Stories," illustrated talk by quilter Charlotte Angotti, 1 p.m., Leelanau Historical Museum, Leland, 256-7475.

Oct. 9: 23rd Annual \$14,000 Raffle, Indian River, 238-9325.

Oct. 9: Bob Milne, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 senior, WSSC students and children, \$14 at the door, Center Stage Theater, West Shore Community College, Scottville, 845-6211.

Oct. 9: Celebrate Fall with

Onekama, food, farm products, arts and crafts, Onekama Village Park, (888) 889-6111.

Oct. 9: Fifth Annual Bay Harbor Home Tour, Bay Harbor, 439-2012.

Oct. 9: Holiday Arts and Craft Show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Grayling Elementary/Primary School, 937-8837.

Oct. 9: Octoberfest Arts & Crafts Show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., scarecrow contest, bake-off, Cheboygan Middle School, 627-7183.

Oct. 9: Empire Area Museum Heritage Day, weaving, spinning, use of old tools and carving demonstrations, displays of old crafts, bicycles, music boxes and phonographs, 1-4 p.m., Empire, 326-5519.

Oct. 9: Saturday Family Symphony, 11 a.m., family-friendly concert featuring Traverse Symphony Orchestra Wind Quintet, complements American Paintings from Detroit Institute of Art exhibit at Dennon Museum Center, \$5 children, \$7 adults, Milliken Auditorium, 947-7120.

Oct. 9: Annie Nispel and Hadan Jennings, light opera by soprano wife and baritone husband, Northport Community Arts Center, 7:30 p.m., 386-5001.

Oct. 9: Mount Pleasant to Cadillac Fall Color Tour, Lake Central Rail Tours, 9 a.m. departure from Mount Pleasant, (866) 608-0746; www.lakecentralrailtours.com.

Oct. 9: Doggie Fashion Show, 1 p.m., \$1 entry fee, prizes for bests of show, Cheboygan Middle School, Cheboygan, 238-8221.

Oct. 9: "Creative Spaces" studio tour, noon-5 p.m., Crystal Lake Art Center, Frankfort, 352-4151.

Oct. 9-10: Pumpkinfest, farm market, hayrides, Wellington Farm Park, Grayling, (888) 653-3276 or www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Oct. 9-18: Leelanau Furniture Show, furniture and furnishings by regional artists for sale and display, Grand Traverse Heritage Center.

Oct. 10: Woodland Jazz Ensemble, 4 p.m., Benzie Central Auditorium, tickets at Benzie Central superintendent's office and The Benze Chamber of Commerce, 882-9653.

Oct. 10: Alden Fall Fun Day, noon-4 p.m., MASH tent, games for all ages, chili cook off, Tennis Court Park, Alden, 331-4711.

Oct. 14: Music for Everyone, Norman Township Hall, Wellston, (866) 935-5386.

Oct. 14-16: "Misery," play based on Stephen King's novel of same name, Old Town Playhouse, Traverse City, 947-2210.

Oct. 14-16: Second Annual Oktoberfest, beer tents, apple bobbing, walking tours, pumpkin painting, magic show, Mackinac Island, (800) 454-5227.

Oct. 15-17: Fall Shoppers Festival, end of season bargains, Mackinaw City, (888) 455-8100.

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