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GRAND MARAIS, MN
JULY 30 - AUGUST 3



FISHERMAN'S 96TH ANNUAL PICNIC

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



FISHERMAN'S PICNIC
HANDY FUN MAP
Numbers correspond to the Red numbers inside. If you have trouble finding your way, stop by the Lion's Info Booth 1 and we can help you out!

Featured Events RED NUMBERS REFLECT LOCATION ON MAP

LIONS CLUB INFO BOOTH 1

Thursday, July 31 – Sunday, August 3
Stop by for weekend information, event schedules, purchase raffle tickets and collector buttons. Sign up for various events happening during the weekend. Lost and found. Raffle ticket drawing on Sunday, August 3rd at 5:15 PM

LION'S CLUB FISH BURGER STAND 3

Thursday, July 31 – Sunday, August 3
Opens each day at 11 AM – Harbor Park
Features fresh caught Lake Superior herring, fish burgers so good they have their own song. Beverages and hot dogs are also available.

GRAND MARAIS PLAYHOUSE 15

The Arrowhead Center for the Arts - 51 W. 5th Street, www.grandmaraisplayhouse.com

Thursday, July 31
7-9 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Spitfire Grill"
Friday, August 1
7-9 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Foolish Fishgirls and the Pearl"
Saturday, August 2
7-9 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Spitfire Grill"
Sunday, August 3
3-5 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Foolish Fishgirls and the Pearl"

BINGO 21

Thursday, July 31 – Sunday, August 3
Bingo starts each day at Noon at the Bingo Tent, 1st Ave. W. & Hwy 61. Proceeds from Bingo will go to local non-profit organizations.

MEDALLION HUNT 6 ★

Thursday, July 31 until found
11 AM-until found "Medallion Hunt," rules and new daily clues at Dairy Queen, 120 Hwy 61 N, \$100 prize to the first person to find it – sponsored by Dairy Queen

KIDDY RIDES 13

Thursday, July 31 – Sunday, August 3
Kiddy rides in the Senior Citizen parking lot on 10 N. Broadway Ave.

DAILY CONTESTS 1 ★

Friday, August 1 – Sunday, August 3
Fisherman's Picnic activity button is required for all contests. All events that require a button are designated by a ★. Stop by the info booth for more details or to purchase button.

LIVE MUSIC 2 7 20

Talented musicians from the North Shore will be performing on the Park Stage throughout each day. Harbor Park dances each night at the Harbor Park stage.

Thursday, July 31
11 am-12:30 pm - Briand Morrison and Rox Berglund
1-2:30 pm - Bug Dope
3-5 pm - Moonshot
7-9 pm - Open Stage hosted by Pete K and Friends (sign up at Info Booth)
Friday, August 1
11 am-12:30 pm - The Portage Band
1-2:30 pm - Drew Heinonen & Tina Hegg-Raway
3-5 pm - Brothers In Arms
7-9:30 pm - DJ Mouwthe
Saturday, August 2
11 am-12:30 pm - Billy Manzik
1-2:30 pm - Michael Monroe
3-5 pm - The Splints
7-9 pm - The Evening Stars
Sunday, August 3
11 am-1 pm Watershed Group w/ opening set by Adam Kirsch
2-2:30 pm AAD Shrine Drum & Bugle Corps., Duluth
2:30-5 pm Kari Golden and Pure Honey

Gunflint Tavern - Raven's Nest (rooftop bar) 111 W. Wisconsin St.

Thursday, July 31 Bump Blomberg 5-8 pm
Friday, August 1 Slow Gin 8-11 pm
Saturday, August 2 Pat Eliason 2-5 pm, Slow Gin 8-11 pm
Sunday, August 3 Medicine River 3-6 pm, Slow Gin 8-11 pm
<https://www.gunflinttavern.com/>

Up Yonder Bar & Restaurant - Entertainment Complex, 1615 W. Hwy 61

Friday, August 1 - Saturday, August 2
Barefoot Bluegrass 6-9 pm
Saturday, August 2
Yard Party: Yard games, tiki bar & bonfire!
Noon - Close
<https://upyonderon61.com/>

ROCK PAINTING CONTEST 4 + 2 ★

Thursday, July 31 - Saturday, August 2
Joynes Ben Franklin Rock Painting Contest - Rocks no larger than 7" x 7" painted with the theme "Quaint Harbor Town" All entries must be brought to Joynes Ben Franklin by 3 PM, Saturday, August 2nd. Winners will be announced (by age brackets) at 5 PM on the Harbor Park Stage and will also receive a prize! Rocks that are not picked up at the stage will be put on display in the rock garden adjacent to the flower beds on the east wall of Joynes Ben Franklin.

WORLD'S BEST DONUT BINGO 11 ★

Friday, August 1
11:30 AM – World's Best Donut Bingo - corner of Wisconsin St. and Broadway Ave. – sponsored by the World's Best Donut Shop

LOON CALLING CONTESTS 2 ★

Friday, August 1st - Saturday, August 2nd
Friday 6-6:30 PM and Saturday 5:30-6 PM on the Harbor Stage. The competition categories are 15 and under and 16 and older. Sign up at the Lions Info Booth.

KID'S ACTIVITIES ★

Friday: ★ Minnow Races, World's Best Donut Bingo, ★ DQ Upsidedownright Thick Blizzard Race, Kiddy Rides
Saturday: ★ Minnow Races, 3 on 3 basketball tournament, ★ Rock Skipping Contest, ★ Loon Calling Contest, ★ Cutest Puppy Contest, Kiddy Rides, ★ Tractor Pull
Sunday: ★ Parade, ★ Fish Toss, Kiddy Rides

COOK COUNTY BASKETBALL ALUMNI GAME – PAM TAYLOR GYMNASIUM CCHS 15

Friday, August 1st
Women's Game: 5:30 PM, Men's Game: 7:00 PM
Registration is \$25 per participant. All proceeds go to the CCHS basketball program.
Questions? Contact Coach Riley: keaton.riley76@gmail.com
Register: <https://cookcountyschools.org/o/ce> or at the door on the day of the event

BLACKSMITHING DEMONSTRATIONS 14

Saturday, August 2
1-4 PM Bally Blacksmith Demonstrations – Bally's Blacksmith Shop, corner of Broadway and 1st St.
Sponsored by the Historic Cook County

FISHERMAN'S PICNIC TRAIL RUN 17 ★

Saturday, August 2
NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION!
Register starting June 15th
Pre-registration at www.pincushionskiandrunk.org thru August 1st at 5 PM
Fees: \$20 - kids, \$45 - 5-mile run/race walk/walk and 5k run/walk
8:00 to 8:45 AM Packet pickup on Aug. 2nd at the Pincushion Chalet
9:00 AM Kid Races 1/4-mile walk/run or 1 mile walk/run
9:30 AM 5-mile run/race walk and 5k run/walk

HOOPIN'N THE HARBOR 3-ON-3 TOURNAMENT 10

Saturday, August 2nd
9:00 AM Registration
9:30 AM Games start
Age groups 15 and under, 16 and older.
Teams can be all female, all male or co-ed.
Pre-registration at info booth \$10 per player (up to 4 players per Team). Registration on day of event \$15 per player team, Broadway and Wisconsin St.

FIREWORKS

Saturday, August 2nd
9:45 PM A spectacular display of fireworks will be shot over the harbor just after dark. Co-sponsored by Visit Cook County & Grand Marais Lions Club

PARADE

Sunday, August 3rd
1 PM Fisherman's Picnic Parade, Downtown Grand Marais, Route starts at the Sawtooth Mountain Elementary School Parking Lot, goes down Broadway Ave., then right on Wisconsin St. and ends at Hwy 61. Collector buttons are required for entrants. Send email to gmlionsclub@gmail.com to register parade entries. Sponsored by Marathon Gas Station



GET YOUR COLLECTIBLE BUTTON!

It's your pass to participate in events all weekend long! Stop by the Lion's Club Info Booth for yours or get one from any Lion's Club member.

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JULY 30 – AUGUST 3, 2025 • GRAND MARAIS, MN

FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE SCHEDULE, VISIT: WWW.GRANDMARAISLIONS.COM



★ = Collectible Fisherman's Picnic Button Required, NUMBERS = location on the map.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Pickup for WISE Buffet-in-a-Box Takeout Dinner Online Orders placed between July 15-27 at selected time when order placed, either 4:30-6, 5-5:30 or 5:30-6. Pickup Location: Arrowhead Center for the Arts, 51 W. 5th St. When you order, you will: select the number of boxed dinner meals you want, pay, then choose one of 3 time slots for pickup on Wednesday, July 30: 4-4:30, 5-5:30, or 5:30- 6 p.m.

Order at: <https://www.wisenorth.org/buffet-in-a-box-2>

NOTE: This year Buffet-in-a-Box offers only one meal—Dinner—there is no lunch option. Meal availability is limited, so order early! WISE is a non-profit and this is a fundraiser for service and education in Cook County. **15**

THURSDAY, JULY 31

9 AM Crazy Daze Sales – At participating merchants all over town. See Lions Info Booth for details. **1**

10 AM-2 PM Craft and Bake Sale -The Hub, 10 N. Broadway Ave. **12**

10 AM-3 PM Paint a Piece of Pottery by Grand Marais Pottery -The Hub, 10 Broadway Ave. Paint a piece of pottery, fired and ready for pickup Saturday morning 10 AM-Noon **12**

10 AM-4 PM Ty Sheaffer, doing basketry demonstrations - North House Folk School, 500 W. Hwy 61 on the commons. **26**

10 AM-5 PM Lions Kiddie Rides open – Senior Center Parking Lot - 10 N. Broadway **13**

11 AM-7 PM World Famous Lions Fish Burger Stand opens – Harbor Park **3**

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11 AM-12:30 PM LIVE MUSIC - Briand Morrison and Rox Berglund - Harbor Park Stage **2**

11 AM-7 PM Axe Throwing by Valhalla Axe Throwing, W. Wisconsin St. **23**

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1-2:30 PM LIVE MUSIC – Bug Dope - Harbor Park Stage **2**

3-5 PM LIVE MUSIC - Moonshot - Harbor Park Stage **2**

5-8 PM LIVE MUSIC Bump Blomberg - Gun Flint Tavern - Raven's Nest (rooftop bar) 111 W. Wisconsin St. **7**

5 PM Dairy Queen Cornhole Tournament - Stop by ahead of time at Dairy Queen to sign up and see official rules. Bring boards and bags if you have a set. If not just bring yourself - sponsored by Dairy Queen **DQ 6**

5:30-6:30 PM Stories that Matter: Sharing the History of Cook County Women Johnson Heritage Post Art Gallery, 115 W. Wisconsin St. – sponsored by the Cook County Historical Society **4**

7-9 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Spitfire Grill" The Arrowhead Center for the Arts - 51 W. 5th St., www.grandmaraisplayhouse.com **15**

7-9 PM Evening Music – Open Stage hosted by Pete K and Friends (sign up at Info Booth) – Harbor Park Stage **2**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

9 AM Crazy Daze Sales – At participating merchants all over town. See Lions Info Booth for details. **1**

9-10 AM Oula Dance Class Harbor Park - sponsored by YMCA **2**

10 AM-2 PM Craft and Bake Sale -The Hub, 10 N. Broadway Ave. **12**

10 AM-3 PM Cook County Market - all local vendors and products - E. Wisconsin St. **11**

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10 AM-5 PM Vendor and Craft Show – Local and Regional Arts and Crafts 1st Ave. W. **8**

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12:30 PM ★ Minnow Races – in front of Lions info booth, Wisconsin St. & 1st Ave. W. - sign up at Lions info booth - sponsored by Circle K **1**

1-2:30 PM LIVE MUSIC - Drew Heinonen and Tina Hegg-Raway - Harbor Park Stage **2**

3 PM ★ DQ Upsidedownright Thick Blizzard Race, maximum of 10 teams with up to 4 racers each, register at Dairy Queen, 120 Hwy 61 N, prior to race -sponsored by Dairy Queen **DQ 6**

3-5 PM LIVE MUSIC: Brothers In Arms Harbor Park Stage **2**

Cook County Basketball Alumni Game – Pam Taylor Gymnasium CCHS- See Featured Events section of schedule **15**

5:30 PM – Women **7:30 PM** – Men

Questions? Contact coach Riley - keaton.riley76@gmail.com
Register: <https://cookcountyschools.org/o/ce>

6-6:30 PM ★ Minnesota State Loon Calling Championship – Preliminary Round – Harbor Park Stage, sign up at Lions info booth. **2**

6-9 PM LIVE MUSIC - Barefoot Bluegrass - Up Yonder Bar - Entertainment Complex 1615 W. Hwy 61 **20**

7-9 PM Grand Marais Playhouse, "The Foolish Fishgirls and the Pearl", The Arrowhead Center for the Arts - 51 West 5th Street, www.grandmaraisplayhouse.com **15**

7-9:30 PM Evening Music-Dance Party – DJ Mouwthe – Harbor Park Stage **2**

8-11 PM LIVE MUSIC - Slo Gin - Gun Flint Tavern - Raven's Nest (rooftop bar) 111 W. Wisconsin St. **7**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

Fisherman's Picnic Trail Run

NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION!

Register starting June 15th, Pre-registration at: www.pincushionskiandrun.org thru August 1st at 5 pm

Fees: \$20 - kids, \$45 - 5 mile run/race walk/walk and 5k run/walk

8:00 TO 8:45 AM Packet Pickup - Pincushion Chalet

9:00 AM Kid Races 1/4 mile walk/run or 1 mile walk/run

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11-1PM Kids Corner Art Circle – Across from the DQ on Hwy 61 – sponsored by Roam and Whimsy and Shook **25**

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NOON-CLOSE Yard Party - Yard games, tiki bar & bonfire! - Up Yonder Bar - Entertainment Complex 1615 W. Hwy 61 **20**

12:30 PM ★ Minnow Races – in front of Lions info booth, Wisconsin St. & 1st Ave W. - sign up at Lions info booth -sponsored by Circle K **1**

12:30-1:30 PM CCHS Alumni Baseball Game registration & warm up – Cook County High School Ball Field **16**

1:30 PM ★ Rock Skipping Contest (all ages) – Harbor Park- South Beach, sign up at Lions info booth - sponsored by Lake Superior Trading Post

1-2:30 PM LIVE MUSIC – Michael Monroe - Harbor Park Stage **2**

2-5 PM LIVE MUSIC - Pat Eliason - Gun Flint Tavern - Raven's Nest (rooftop bar) 111 W. Wisconsin St. **7**

3 PM CCHS Alumni Baseball Game – Cook County High School Ball Field, behind school **16**

1-4 PM Bally Blacksmith Demonstrations – Bally's Blacksmith Shop, corner of Broadway and 1st St. – sponsored by Historic Cook County **14**

2 PM School Tour – Cook County ISD 166 - 101 W 5th St, meet at Main Entrance Doors **15**

2:30 PM Citizen of the Year Award presentation – Harbor Park stage **2**

2:30-5 PM ★ Kids Tractor Pull (ages 4-11) – Wisconsin St. – sponsored by Circle K **9**

3-5 PM LIVE MUSIC – The Splints - Harbor Park Stage **2**

5 PM Joyne's Rock Painting Contest winners announced – Harbor Park Stage **2**

6-9 PM LIVE MUSIC - Barefoot Bluegrass - Up Yonder Bar - Entertainment Complex 1615 W. Hwy 61 **20**

5:30-6 PM ★ Minnesota State Loon Calling Championship Finals – Sign up at Lions Info Booth – Harbor Park Stage **2**

6 PM ★ Cutest Puppy Contest – Harbor Park Stage, sponsored by Rocky Knoll Boarding and Lake County Veterinary – sign up at Lions info booth **2**

6 PM Author Talk with Benjamin Percy "The Ninth Metal" – Drury Lane Books, 12 E Wisconsin St – sponsored by Drury Lane Books **27**

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9:45 PM Fireworks over the Harbor – co-sponsored by Visit Cook County & Grand Marais Lions Club

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

9:30 AM Waterfront Worship with Pastor Dale McIntire of Cornerstone Community Church – Harbor Park **2**

10 AM-4 PM Ty Sheaffer, doing basketry demonstrations, North House Folk School, on the commons. **26**

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3:30 PM ★ Lion's Fish Toss – In front of the Blue Water on Wisconsin St., sign up at Lions information booth - sponsored by North Superior Fisheries **9**

5:15 PM Grand Prize Drawing \$10,000.00 - Lions Info Booth - corner of Wisconsin St. and 1st Ave. W. **1**

6-7 PM Prize Winners Posted - Lions Info Booth. Prizes can be claimed at Info Booth on Sunday night. Starting at 10 AM Monday morning prizes can be picked up at the Cook County News Herald – 1st Ave. W. **1**

BUY A RAFFLE TICKET

FOR YOUR CHANCE TO

WIN \$10,000!

Tickets \$5 at Local businesses and from Grand Marais Lion's Club Members—They're the ones in the yellow vests or T-shirts.

(Must be 18 years or older to purchase or win.)



WE'LL BE BACK FOR FISH PIC 2026!

July 30-August 2, 2026

