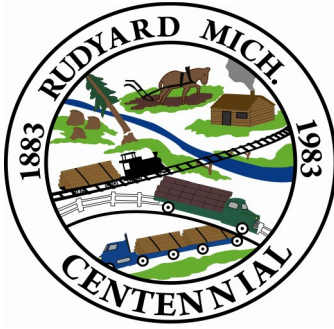




Talk of the Town

Fall 2025

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John Krentz, Supervisor

Another busy summer and fall have passed and now we are heading into winter. Time certainly goes by quickly. Can you believe 2025 is almost over. There were a lot of activities around the park this past summer and Summerfest was a big success. I would like to thank the park board and all the volunteers for all their time making Summerfest such a huge and successful event. A big thank you to Brian Ross for his many years of terrific service! Brian retired at the end of August.

I would also like to introduce Darel Mayer as our new DPW Assistant/Township Maintenance and Grounds Keeper. Darel comes to us highly recommended with much knowledge and experience for the position. Welcome Darel!

Just a reminder as we head into the winter months to slow down as the roads can be very slippery. Everyone's safety is our main concern.

Board meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 p.m. at the Township office. Everyone is welcome! John



Save the date!

Friday, December 5th

Tree lighting and Santa visit starting at 6:30 P.M.

Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies on the **Rudyard Township Planning Commission**. Please send your letter of interest to the township office. The Planning Commission meets at 6:00 P.M. on the third Thursday of February, May, August, and November, with additional meetings called as needed. The public is always welcome to attend.



If you would like to help with the American flags in downtown Rudyard, please talk to John. Usually, the flags are put up and taken down six times per year.



CHIPPEWA COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH ENHANCED Smart911

Smart911 is a **free** service that allows individuals & families to sign up online to provide key information to 911 call takers in an emergency. Smart911 saves critical time and has proven to save lives nationwide. Details can help responders act quicker & more efficiently. The Safety Profile travels with you and the additional information provided allows the call center to send the right response teams faster. The benefits of this information on a 9-1-1 call from a cell phone is immeasurable.

Go to **www.smart911.com** to sign up for this **free** service.

The Historical Society Board has openings also. Please reach out to us if you would be interested. The Historical Society Board meets monthly and additionally as needed, with the next meeting date and time posted in advance on the office entrance door. Please consider being involved with the Historical Society in some way. The work is very interesting and you can meet a lot of wonderful people!

It is important for emergency personnel to find you quickly in case of an emergency. Please be sure your address is on the front of your house and also visible at the road.

The Fire Department is always looking for new members!

Be careful with fires year-round. Check out the DNR Burn Permit Map for current conditions for burning. Be sure to check and replace your smoke alarm batteries as needed. Please be cautious when using space heaters, candles, and extension cords! Sincerest thank-you to all of our volunteer firefighters!

RUDYARD TOWNSHIP

Established 1883

18725 S Mackinac Trail

P.O. Box 277, Rudyard, MI 49780

Phone: 906-478-5041

Fax: 906-478-3013

Email: rudyardtownshipmanager@gmail.com



MEALS ON WHEELS & SENIOR MEALS

Senior meals are served at the township hall,
Monday-Friday at 12 noon. Suggested
donation is \$4 for seniors and \$6 for
younger. Come in for food and fellowship.

Call Community Action at 1-906-632-3363,

The Hiawathia Community Chorus will be performing on Sunday,
December 14 th at 7 p.m. at the Rudyard Christian Reformed
Church and Wednesday, December 16th @ 7 p.m. at the St Joseph
Catholic Church in Sault Ste Marie, MI



Community Action can assist with water, utilities, housing, emergency
food, weatherization, transportation, and senior and early childhood
programs. If you would like additional information, call 906-632-3363.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY RECYCLING

REDUCE RECYCLE REUSE

906-632-0525

**Wanted: clean glass, plastic, newspaper,
aluminum & steel**

The recycling trailer is located at the Rudyard
Township Park. Thank you for recycling! No
styrofoam, PVC, electronics., or trash.

*We will take appropriate action to protect our
recycling program for residents who use the
program properly. Please take note that illegal
dumping can result in a fine of up to \$500 per
occurrence. Northern Transitions is closely
monitoring recycling sites at this time.*



TOWNSHIP HALL & PAVILION

The township has rental dates
available for the township hall
and pavilion.
Call 478-5041 to reserve.

- Rudyard Township Office will be
- CLOSED Thurs, Nov 26 @1:00 and on
- Thanksgiving Day. Also CLOSED Dec
- 24th & 25th for the holidays.
- Will be OPEN on Wed, December 30,
- 2025 9:00 to 5:00 for taxes.

DPW EMERGENCY

PHONE # 906-322-0533

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
AND SANTA CLAUS VISIT

Friday, December 5th at 6:30 P.M.

Rudyard Township Hall

Hosted by the Rudyard
Lions Club and the
Rudyard Township Park
Board. Tree lighting,
carol sing, cookies, and
a visit from Santa!



Rudyard Lions Club- Being a Lion is a great opportunity to get to
know and develop personal and professional relationships with people
in your community. Visit the website: rudyardlions.com for more
information. To contact a Lions Club member, call 906-478-3491, 906-
478-4191, or email rudyardlions@gmail.com. Lions Club is the world's
largest service organization. The Rudyard Lions donated over \$23,000
last year to local, UP wide and international projects.

The Mission of **Warmth for Warriors** is to show our appreciation,
support, and gratitude for America's military personnel and their
families, those on active duty, retired veterans, and the wounded,
injured or sick, in all national and state branches of the U.S. military by
giving them handmade, warm wool hats, and other comfort items. To
learn more, our website is www.warmthforwarriors.com.

The **Rudyard Area Community Foundation** administers the giving
of scholarships to Rudyard High School graduating seniors. Generous
contributions have enabled scholarships and mini-grants. Email
garydavis@centurytel.net with any questions or to get information
about starting or supporting a scholarship.

Our local **HEART** group has been helping people in our community
with a variety of needs, as well as hosting opportunities for food and
fellowship in relaxing atmospheres. We are looking forward to seeing
you soon at one of our get-togethers. We are currently working on
building a supply of medical equipment that will be available
as needed to whomever needs it (crutches, canes, walkers,
shower chairs, etc.) For more information, to contribute, or
to refer us to someone in need, please contact one of our
local churches.



*The **Rudyard Historical Society** Board meets monthly. We are
planning projects for the future. Much is planned for 2026—
please join us in celebrating the history of our area and families.*

*Looking for Christmas gifts? We have
cookbooks, informational books, snowy
owl mugs, and building replicas for sale
at the township office. Come on in !*



The Mollie R. Kahl Community Library

is on their school year hours.
The library is closed on major holidays
and school snow days. Materials may

be returned in at our outside drop box. Library cards
are free to all residents and able to be used at all 8 of
our affiliate locations and also on the Libby app,
which allows patrons to download audio books,
magazines, and ebooks. You will need your card
number and a pin. We belong to MelCat, which offers
access to books from anywhere across the state,
which can be delivered here to the Mollie R. Kahl
Community Library. Scholastic Book Fairs are held
throughout the year. Proceeds are always used to
purchase more books for the children's section.

**906-478-4504 if you would like to volunteer or if you
are interested in working limited after school hours
at the library or substituting during the day shift
when needed. Keep reading!**

The Mollie R Kahl Friends of the Library group is
looking for dedicated and supportive people to join
us in our mission! Please consider attending one of
our meetings or events. All are invited and welcome!

The **Larry G. Davis Swimming Pool** is located
at Rudyard Area Schools. Events and schedule
can be found on the Rudyard Swimming Pool
Facebook page. Come and enjoy some fun.