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SUMMER 2026 **A PUBLICATION OF RUDYARD TOWNSHIP**

Supervisor, John Krentz

Summer is finally here so I hope everyone is enjoying the nice weather. With all the construction going on and road closures, I encourage everyone to please slow down as you travel our roads. Safety must be our top priority.

Make sure to take advantage of all the activities that will be going on this summer in Rudyard. We have the Rudyard SummerFest starting Thursday evening, July 23rd thru Sunday, July 26th. Be sure to pick up a brochure so you know of all the activities going on that weekend as well as the times of the various activities. That will certainly be a fun filled weekend to attend! Brochures will be available for pick up the first part of July at area businesses or the township office. We also have music in the park every Wednesday night in July at 7:00 p.m. at the township park. What a great way to relax and listen to some great music! Stop by and enjoy the park. It is nice seeing the park being utilized by so many families. We are truly fortunate to have such a nice township park that offers so many different activities. I hope to see everyone around this summer enjoying the beautiful country side and all the activities that will be taking place.

Township Board Meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at the Township office. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings.

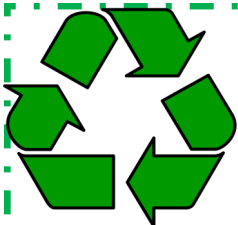
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VOTE

On August 4, 2026 the State Primary Election will be held at Rudyard Township hall from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

There will be nine days of early voting held at the Kinross Township hall from Saturday, July 25, 2026 to August 2, 2026 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



We have recycling bins located in front of the pavilion for clean glass bottles and jars, clean plastic bottles and jars, newspaper, magazines, catalogs, and metal or aluminum cans.

2026 Scrap Tire Options

- 1.) Website- www.baymills.org/wastecollections or email Bay Mills Indian Community Environmental wastecollection@baymills.org or call Jen at 906-248-8655. Four locations will take your tires.
- 2.) You can pick up a Scrap Tire Voucher at the township office to be redeemed at either U.P. Tire in S.S.M. or Mark's Tire in Brimley. Each household in Rudyard Township qualifies for up to \$25 in disposal value from April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027. If you are a Rudyard Township resident, stop by the township office for a voucher : Monday—Thursday between 10:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M.



If you are planning construction, an addition, or moving in a mobile/modular

home, you need to fill out a **Zoning Compliance Site Plan**. Stop at the Rudyard Township Office, 18725 S Mackinac Trail, to pick up your form. There is a \$50 application fee. Building Permits are issued through Chippewa County. You will need a completed Zoning Compliance Site Plan to go with your county building permit application.



Doing any DIY projects? Know what's below before you dig!



When you contact MISS DIG811, the public facility companies are notified to mark the location of their lines. Public facilities are marked for FREE. Locators will paint lines and/or place flags to mark the location of underground public lines. Go to www.missdig811.org for all the information you need!

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY

Wednesday, July 22 @ the township park for SHUTE COMPANY 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided

**Rudyard Township
Department of Public Works
EMERGENCY call: 906 322-0533
Non-emergency: 906 478-5041**

**RUDYARD
SUMMERFEST
JULY 23, 24,
25, 26 2026**



Website:
www.rudyardtownship.org

Email:
rudyardtownshipmanager@gmail.com

**WANTED
Volunteers for SummerFest**

Talk to a Park Board Member or call the office at 478-5041

Historical Museum will be open on the following Saturday's & Sunday's: July 11-12 and 18-19 from 12 noon til 4:00 p.m. Also will be open the Sunday of SummerFest, July 26th from 11:00 to 2:00. It's a must see!



FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Always check on the DNR website dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits/ for a burn ban or permit online or call: CENTRAL DISPATCH 906-495-3312

Rudyard Township has partnered with the townships of Kinross, Bruce, Chippewa, Detour, Drummond Island, Hulbert, Marquette, Pickford and Rabar to form the Northern Emergency Medical Services Authority, (NEMSA) This group is working to positively shape the future of EMS in our community, for which we are very grateful! NEMSA Board meeting will be held in Rudyard on Sept 16, 2026 @ 6:30 in the Township hall. Public attendance is encouraged.



Senior Meals are served at the township hall Monday through Friday at Noon. Cost is \$4 for seniors and \$6 for guests under 60 years old. If you are in need of Meals on Wheels, call Community Action at 1-906-632-3363.

We have rental dates available for the township hall and pavilion. Call 906 478-5041 to reserve your date! Consider renting our facilities for your shower, wedding, or graduation party.

H.E.A.R.T. (Helping Around Rudyard Together), which is made up of the pastors and representatives of each of our five local churches, wishes to thank you for your support over the years. Because of our generous community members, we have been able to help many families and individuals around our community in their time of need. The HEART group has been collecting some medical equipment that can be loaned out when needed, like crutches, canes, walkers, etc. If you know of a situation that you think we may be able to help with, please contact one of our local churches. If we are unable to help, we will try to aid in finding assistance.



Assistance is available for water, sewer, trash, heat, or electric bills. Contact the Superior Watershed Partnership to learn how they can help! Many working families will qualify. Phone: 906-273-2742 or website: superiorwatersheds.org/energy-conservation



The Rudyard Historical Society has a variety of books about the history of Rudyard for sale for only \$10 a copy. We also have Rudyard snowy owl mugs, and building replicas for sale year-round at the township office. We would like to increase activity and interest in the Historical Society Museum and One-Room Schoolhouse, including events for families and school children. We have many pieces of local history! We are open during Summerfest, special events, and by appointment.

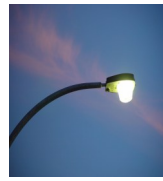
The **Lions Club** annual Golf Ball Drop happening at SummerFest on Saturday, July 25th @ 2:00 p.m. near the School House. Numbered golf balls are dropped into a golf hole and the person who gets in the hole is the winner. The grand prize is \$1000.00. Only 300 tickets are sold. Tickets are \$10.00 and available from any Lion's Club member or call (906) 478-4191 before the 2026 event. Raffle License #R87127.



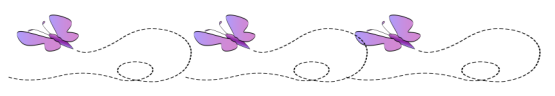
Mark your calendars for the 29th Annual SummerFest Triathlon and 5K, presented by the Rudyard Lions Club. This event offers a chance to test your limits, connect with the community, and contribute to local causes. For more info, visit www.rudyardlionstriathlon.com or contact Gary Davis at gdavis2026@outlook.com or call (906) 478-5244

The **Larry G. Davis Swimming Pool** at Rudyard Area Schools is in full summer mode -swimming lessons and activities including lap swim, water exercise and open swims. The most current pool schedule and plans for summer can be found on the Rudyard Swimming Pool Facebook page. The swimming pool is always warm and wet. Come and enjoy a fun-filled time.

BLOOD DRIVES: 1:00 to 6:30 Rudyard Township Hall July 22 & Sept 23, 2026



To report a street light that is not working, call our office at 906-478-5041.



The Mollie R. Kahl Community Library

We kick off our summer children's reading Program Wednesdays' starting July 8, 22, 29 @12:30

Thursday, July 16th @11:00
Joel Tacy from Summer Entertainment In The Past will present

"Big Bubble Dance Party on he lawn!! This is a high-energy interactive event combined with music, dancing, games and TONS of bubbles for a one-of-a kind experience kids will love. Families are invited to jump, dance, laugh and chase giant bubbles. Perfect way to enjoy a summer day.

August 6th and 20th will be a movie matinee with popcorn and drinks provided. The movies will be Toy Story 5 and Elio

We may have an adult painting class or two. Watch for announcements!

Our little library shelf is always available in the entry way as well at the Feed America free food giveaway daily for children up to age 18 and disabled individuals up to 26 years of age

