

Big Bay Events Newsletter!

Exciting News! Powell Township is one of the 31 community projects across the state of Michigan approved for Michigan Department of Natural Resources Spark grant funding. The \$886,800 award will be used for improvements to Draver Community Park. The Michigan Spark Grants program is aimed at improving and redeveloping existing public outdoor recreation in small communities. There will be no cost to the township for this project. Click here for the press release:

<https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/about/newsroom/releases/2023/10/09/michigan-spark-grants-for-outdoor-recreation-projects-for-31-communitites>

Harvest Dinner - Presbyterian Community Church

THIS Saturday, October 14

4:30 and 6:00 dinner

\$15.00/person and \$10.00 for children 12 and under.

Call Darlene 906-869-4964 or Louise 906-235-0231 for tickets

No tickets will be sold at the door.

Christmas Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 2 at 6:00pm

Location: Township Hall

All are welcome to join together to light up the holidays.

Publicity Links (TV6 and Mining Journal)

In case you missed it, Big Bay received a lot of positive publicity in the past few months, below are the links to the articles and videos. Enjoy.

New Powell Township Trail Celebrates Opening Day (10/1/23)

<https://www.uppermichiganssource.com/2023/10/01/new-powell-township-trail-celebrates-opening-day/>

Thomas Rock Scenic Overlook receives viewfinder – TV6 (9/25/23)

<https://www.uppermichiganssource.com/2023/09/25/thomas-rock-scenic-overlook-receives-viewfinder/>

Preparations are underway for Big Bay Fall Fest – TV6 (9/22/23)

<https://www.uppermichiganssource.com/2023/09/22/preparations-are-underway-big-bay-fall-fest/>

Powell Township Recreation Area calls for volunteers for trail maintenance project – TV6 (9/24/23)

<https://www.uppermichiganssource.com/2023/09/24/powell-township-recreation-area-calls-volunteers-trail-maintenance-project/>

Big Bay Festival Planned – Mining Journal (9/19/23)

<https://www.miningjournal.net/news/local/2023/09/big-bay-fall-festival-planned/>

Information from Previous Newsletters:

Thomas Rock ViewFinder

Thomas Rock has a special viewfinder that is specific for individuals with color blindness to see the beautiful view of Big Bay.

The cost is 50 cents for the viewfinder, take a hike and bring a friend.

Free Well Water Testing

Residents can have their well water [tested for free](#) under a special program from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, which is partnering with local health departments to ensure safe drinking water for Michigan families. After testing, the local health department will help residents understand test results and guide them on any next steps if necessary.

Senior Get Together

Presbyterian Church

Wednesdays from 10:00 - 12:00pm.

Snacks, cards, puzzles, knitting, chatting and fun.

Knitting Club

St. Mary's Church Basement

Mondays 10:00 - 12:00pm

The group is through the RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program).

Parks and Recreation Email List

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