

**DESCRIPTION OF WPBN-TV PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT
TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES
2nd Quarter 2006**

Program	Day	Time
7&4 News Today	M-F	5:30-7:00am
7&4 Midday News	M-F	11-11:30am
7&4 News at 5pm	M-F	5:00-6:00pm
7&4 News at 6pm	M-SU	6:00-6:30pm
7&4 News at 11pm	M-F	11-11:35pm
7&4 News at 11pm	SA	11-11:30pm
7&4 News at 11pm	SU	11-11:35pm

All of the above programs are locally-produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather, sports and issue-related feature stories and segments. Issue-responsive program segments are usually (2 minutes) in duration, unless otherwise indicated.

DATELINE NBC	Saturdays	8:00-9:00pm
	Sundays	7:00-8:00pm

This is an NBC network program often featuring investigative reporting on controversial issues facing the American public. The program usually has multiple segments, 8-15 minutes in duration.

MEET THE PRESS	Sundays	9:00-10:00am
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This NBC News interview program usually has one or more guests being questioned about subjects in the news by moderator Tim Russert and other reporters.

TODAY SHOW	M-F	7:00-10:00am
	SA	8:00-10:00am
	SU	8:00-9:00am

NBC network news program offering a mix of news, weather, and features, including interviews and in-depth reports on issues of public concern.

NBC NIGHTLY NEWS	M-SU	6:30-7:00pm
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This NBC network news program provides a roundup of the days major news events, as well as in-depth reports on issues of public concern.

EDUCATION MATTERS Newscast	M-F	Within
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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyday	Various Times
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Varying length announcements (:10, :15, :20, :30, :60, and :120) that air throughout the stations' broadcast day about issues of community interest

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

ECONOMY

(Including business development, community infrastructure, small business development, and tourist attractions)

Local News

July 1, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

DOW CHEMICAL WILL CLOSE THREE PLANTS AS THE COMPANY SHIFTS AWAY FROM BASIC CHEMICALS AND MORE TOWARD SPECIALTY CHEMICALS. DOW HAS SAID IT WILL CUT ABOUT 25-HUNDRED JOBS AS PART OF ITS RESTRUCTURING PLAN. THE PLANTS THAT WILL BE CLOSED ARE IN LOUISIANA AND MAKE ETHYLENE, WHICH IS USED IN EVERYTHING FROM PACKAGING TO PLASTIC BAGS. THE COMPANY BOUGHT RIVAL ROHM & HAAS IN APRIL FOR MORE THAN 16 BILLION, A DEAL THAT ADDED MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF DEBT TO ITS BALANCE SHEET, BUT GAVE THE COMPANY A STRONG POSITION IN THE SPECIALTY CHEMICALS MARKET.

July 1, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY IS RE-THINKING THE WAY IT SERVES YOU. BATA HAS HIRED A CONSULTING AGENCY TO HELP DEVELOP A CLEAR---LONG--TERM DIRECTION FOR THE ORGANIZATION. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOM MENZEL SAYS BATA WANTS TO FOCUS ON WHAT IS BEST FOR THE CUSTOMER WHILE PROVIDING NECESSARY BUT AFFORDABLE SERVICES. MENZEL SAYS HE HOPES THE RE--STRUCTURING WILL ALLOW THE ORGANIZATION TO BECOME MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE.

July 1, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE MISSAUKKEE HUMANE SOCIETY IS ASKING FOR HELP PAYING THEIR BILLS. IN THE 20 YEARS THE SHELTER HAS BEEN OPEN -- WORKERS SAY IT HAS NEVER BEEN THIS TOUGH FINANCIALLY. THE NUMBER OF DONATIONS HAS REDUCED SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS AND AT THE SAME TIME MORE PEOPLE ARE DROPPING OFF THEIR PETS. BEING A NO-KILL SHELTER THEY KEEP THE ANIMALS UNTIL THEY CAN PLACE THEM -- AND THAT COST IS ADDING UP.

July 1, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE WEATHER OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS IS HAVING SOME EFFECTS ON AREA BUSINESSES AND GOLF COURSES. ON ONE HAND, IT'S BRINGING PEOPLE INTO LOCAL SHOPS BUT IT'S ALSO KEEPING PEOPLE OFF THE GOLF GREENS. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS BEHIND THIS TWO FOLD EFFECT. A YEAR AGO THE DEPARTMENT USED TO EMPLOY TEN FULLTIME WORKERS---THAT NUMBER HAS BEEN DRASTICALLY REDUCED TO FOUR. AND WITH A LACK OF HANDS AND FUNDING THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FACES SOME DIFFICULT CHALLENGES. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 2, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

IF YOU NEED TO GET TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO GO NOW UNTIL TUESDAY. OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW FOR THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND. THE OFFICES WILL ALSO BE CLOSED ON MONDAY FOR THE SECOND OF SIX FURLOUGH DAYS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES. LICENSES AND PLATES THAT EXPIRE ON A DAY WHEN STATE OFFICES ARE CLOSED CAN BE RENEWED THE FOLLOWING DAY WITHOUT PENALTY. THE DOORS WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY.

July 2, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE E-P-A ESTIMATES THAT EVERY WEEKEND, 54 MILLION AMERICANS MOW THEIR LAWNS, PRODUCING UP TO FIVE PERCENT OF THE NATION'S AIR POLLUTION. A TRAVERSE CITY MAN IS AIMING TO MAKE THE PROCESS, AND THE GRASS, GREENER. 7&4'S JAYNE SMITH EXPLAINS.

July 2, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE WEXFORD COUNTY CIVIC CENTER NOW HAS NEW MANAGERS. THIS COMES AFTER THE WEXFORD COUNTY COMMISSION VOTED RECENTLY TO HAND OVER THE DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS OF THE WEX TO CONERLY MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC. CONERLY WILL TAKE ON ALL OPERATING COSTS FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS. AFTER THREE YEARS, 15 PERCENT OF THE PROCEEDS MUST BE GIVEN BACK TO THE COUNTY. THE MANAGEMENT GROUP SAYS IT WILL INVEST 200-THOUSAND DOLLARS INTO THE WEX FOR IMPROVEMENTS. ONCE THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE FINISHED, CONERLY SAYS AN OPEN HOUSE WILL BE HELD FOR THE COMMUNITY TO SEE THE CHANGES.

July 2, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SEVERAL VIEWERS EMAILED US SAYING WHAT THEY SAW WAS THE WOLVERINE VILLAGE COUNCIL TRYING TO SHUT THEM OUT OF --THE LUMBERMAN'S MEMORIAL PARK IN WOLVERINE. THE SAME PARK WHERE EACH YEAR THOUSANDS COME IN FOR THE ANNUAL LUMBERJACK FESTIVAL. BUT, ORGANIZERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ALIKE SAY THEY'RE BEING LOCKED OUT SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

July 3, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

CAMPGROUNDS IN THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY AREA ARE FULLY BOOKED FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND. BOTH THE TRAVERSE CITY AND INTERLOCHEN STATE PARKS ARE FILLED TO THE MAX WITH CAMPERS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE AND COUNTRY. THE TRAVERSE CITY STATE PARK SAYS ABOUT 30--SPOTS WERE STILL AVAILABLE YESTERDAY----BUT THOSE QUICKLY FILLED UP. PARK OFFICERS SAY THIS WEEKEND IS A MUCH NEEDED BOOST AFTER A SLOW SPRING.

July 3, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ORGANIZERS WERE OUT AT THE OPEN SPACE BY SIX THIS MORNING AND PLAN ON WORKING AS LONG AS IT TAKES TODAY TO GET EVERYTHING IN ORDER. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH IS LIVE AT THE OPEN SPACE WHERE ALL OF THE FINAL SET UP ACTION IS TAKING PLACE....MELISSA HOW IS EVERYTHING LOOKING DOWN THERE?

July 6, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR EXPANSION PROJECT COULD SOON TAKE OFF AT A NORTHERN MICHIGAN AIRPORT. THE CITY OF CHARLEVOIX IS LOOKING TO EXPAND THEIR CITY AIRPORT TERMINAL TO ACCOMODATE MORE SPACE FOR TRAVELERS AND

PILOTS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS A PREVIEW OF THE PROJECT AND LEARNS WHERE THE MONEY WOULD COULD FROM.

July 7, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE MACKINAC BRIDGE AUTHORITY WILL MAKE A DECISION LATER THIS WEEK ON A NEW COMMUTER FARE PLAN FOR THE BRIDGE. HERE'S SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL WITH THE DETAILS.

July 7, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN AREA ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR IS EXPANDING TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR ALTERNATIVE ENERGY IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN. WINDEMULLER IS FORMING A NEW WIND TURBINE ELECTRICAL SERVICE DIVISION. THE SUB-CONTRACTOR IS BASED IN ALLEGAN COUNTY BUT HAS OFFICES IN BIG RAPIDS, MONTAGUE, PETOSKEY AND TRAVERSE CITY.

July 7, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE TART TRAILS AND SOUTH AIRPORT RD. BOTH SEE A LOT OF TRAFFIC IN THEIR OWN WAY. SO WHEN A VIEWER HEARD A RUMOR OF A PLAN TO EXTEND THE TRAIL BY GOING UNDER ONE OF THE AREA'S BUSIEST ROADWAYS SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF IT'S TRUE. IF SO, HOW MUCH WILL IT COST AND WHO WILL PAY FOR IT?THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 8, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY IS CUTTING 6 POSITIONS AS PART OF A PLAN TO SAVE TAX-PAYERS MONEY. BATA'S BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY MONDAY TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOM MENZEL'S RE-ORGANIZATION PLAN. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IS THE HALL STREET DISPATCH WILL MOVE IN WITH THE CASS STREET DISPATCH. BY DOING SO BATA WILL ELIMINATE 2 SUPERVISOR POSITIONS, AND A DISPATCH POSITION. 2 EXECUTIVES AND A SECRETARY POSITIONS WERE ALSO CUT. THE MOVE WILL CUT ABOUT 400-THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM BATA'S YEARLY BUDGET. THE FREE OFFICE SPACED IN THE HALL STREET BUILDING WILL BE OPENED UP FOR PUBLIC USE.

July 8, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THEY ARE DRAWING IN QUITE A BIT OF ATTENTION ALREADY AND BY THE END OF THE WEEKEND THEY'RE EXPECTED TO HAVE NEARLY ONE THOUSAND VISITORS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SOME SPECIAL SHIPS AT THE MARINA DOCKS IN PETOSKEY. HERE'S SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL.

July 8, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THOUSANDS OF HORSE RIDERS AND ENTHUSIASTS ARE COMING TO GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY. THIS YEARS HORSE SHOWS BY THE BAY KICKS OFF TODAY AT FLINT-FIELDS HORSE PARK IN TRAVERSE CITY. THE EVENT BRINGS IN PEOPLE FROM ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO COMPETE FOR POINTS TOWARD NATIONAL TITLES AND YEAR-END AWARDS. SINCE THE SHOW FIRST BEGAN IN 2004 IT HAS BROUGHT MORE THAN 30-MILLION DOLLARS IN TOURISM REVENUE TO THE AREA. ORGANIZERS SAY THIS YEAR IS ON TRACK TO BE ANOTHER GOOD YEAR.

July 9, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT IS PEAK TOURISM SEASON HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN, AND THIS YEAR IT SEEMS VISITORS ARE STRETCHING THEIR STAYS INTO A FEW EXTRA DAYS... BUT AS 7 & 4'S BILL FROEHLICH FOUND OUT, THEY ARE ALSO FINDING WAYS TO *STRETCH THEIR DOLLARS.

July 9, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

INSTEAD OF LETTING TOUGH FINANCIAL TIMES GET IN THE WAY OF PARADE ENTRY FEES, AREA BUSINESSES ARE ACTUALLY LOOKING TO PROMOTE THEMSELVES THROUGH THE PARADE.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH IS LIVE AT THE OPEN SPACE AND AS MORE ON THE ECONOMIC IMPACT...MELISSA, HOW ARE THINGS GOING DOWN THERE?

July 9, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

FOR THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS A CALIFORNIA BASED COMPANY---WITH NORTHERN MICHIGAN TIES--- HAS BEEN SHOOTING IT'S NEWEST FILM IN THE MIDDLE OF DOWNTOWN MANISTEE. WHILE THE FILMMAKERS SAY THE TAX INCENTIVE PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN THEIR DECISION TO FILM THERE---IT'S NOT COMING WITHOUT A MUCH NEEDED BOOST TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 10, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ONE OF THE LARGEST GENERAL MOTORS DEALERSHIPS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN SAYS THE RECENT MOVE BY GM IS A GREAT INDICATION OF WHAT IS TO COME.GENERAL MOTORS IS EMERGING FROM BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION. G-M SIGNED THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS THIS MORNING, TRANSFERRING THE BULK OF ITS ASSETS TO A NEW GENERAL MOTORS COMPANY. BILL MARSH JR SAYS THE STEP IS NECESSARY TO TRANSFORM GM INTO A MORE COMPETITIVE AND STRONGER COMPANY.

July 10, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE MACKINAC BRIDGE AUTHORITY HAS DECIDED ON A NEW COMMUTER FARE PLAN. TODAY THE BOARD CHOSE A MODIFIED VERSION OF PLAN "A". UNDER THE ORIGINAL PLAN A RETURN TRIP WITHIN 24 HOURS WOULD HAVE ONLY COST A COMMUTER 10-CENTS.THE PLAN THEY APPROVED EXTENDS THAT TIME TO 36 HOURS. THOSE RATES WILL GO INTO EFFECT JANUARY FIRST.

July 10, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SUMMER IS A GREAT SEASON HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN - AND IT'S ALSO GREAT FOR THE ECONOMY.TOURISM IS BIG BUSINESS UP NORTH - AND THAT'S ESPECIALLY TRUE THIS WEEK.THAT'S RIGHT - THE NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL BRINGS IN THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE YEAR AFTER YEAR ... SO LET'S GO LIVE TO THE OPEN SPACE RIGHT NOW.7 &4'S BILL FROEHLICH IS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CROWDS AT THE FESTIVAL... BILL?

July 13, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE IN LANSING IS NOW BEING POWERED BY THE WIND. MARIAH POWER DONATED A WINDSPIRE TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN SHORTLY AFTER THE OPENING OF IT'S NEW MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN MANISTEE.GOVERNOR GRANHOLM HELPED LAUNCH THE NEW SITE BACK IN APRIL. THE WINDSPIRE IS A 30-FOOT TALL, PROPELLER-FREE, VERTICAL-AXIS WIND TURBINE.IT IS DESIGNED FOR USE IN URBAN, SUBURBAN, RURAL AND REMOTE LOCATIONS.

BESIDES THE WINDSPIRE -- THE RESIDENCE ALSO HAS OTHER NEW GREEN FEATURES -- INCLUDING A GREEN ROOF AND A WATER-CONSERVING IRRIGATION SYSTEM.

July 13, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WITH THE AUTO INDUSTRY ON THE DECLINE IN MICHIGAN, THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ARE TEAMING UP TO DIVERSIFY THE AREA'S MANUFACTURING BASE. THE "DIVERSIFYING MICHIGAN MANUFACTURERS" SUMMIT WILL BE HELD THIS WEDNESDAY IN TRAVERSE CITY. THE CHAMBER AND THE M-E-D-C ARE BRINGING TOGETHER COMPANIES TO HELP THEM BREAK-IN TO NEW IN-DEMAND MARKETS SUCH AS WIND ENERGY, AEROSPACE, DEFENSE AND HOMELAND SECURITY AND MEDICAL DEVICES.

July 13, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN MAN, LIKE A LOT OF US, BOUGHT HIS DREAM PROPERTY WITH HOPES OF PEACE AND QUIET. BUT THAT QUIET WON'T LAST LONG...AFTER HE LEARNED WHAT WAS GOING IN NEXT DOOR...HE HAD UNANSWERED QUESTIONS... THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR HIM THE SUBJECT OF TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.

July 13, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN EMMET COUNTY COMMUNITY IS FINDING OUT DETAILS ON FUTURE ROAD PROJECTS ALONG U-S 31. THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS HOLDING TWO OPEN HOUSES TODAY IN PETOSKEY. M-DOT IS LOOKING FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON PROPOSED PROJECTS ON US-31 AT M-119 AND ON US-31 FROM DIVISION TO RICE STREETS. THE PUBLIC MEETS ARE A WAY TO GET COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND ADDRESS ANY CONCERNS RESIDENTS MAY HAVE.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THERE ARE HIGH HOPES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD IN DOWNTOWN GAYLORD WHERE THOUSANDS ARE EXPECTED TO TURN OUT FOR THE 45TH ANNUAL ALPENFEST. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL TAKES A CLOSER LOOK AT THE EVENT AND WHY IT MEANS SO MUCH FOR LOCAL BUSINSSES.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MORE PRIVATE JETS ARE FLYING INTO THE AREA'S LARGEST AIRPORT. ACCORDING TO STAFF AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT -- THE NUMBER OF PRIVATE PLANES FLYING IN HAS NEARLY TRIPLED THIS MONTH. HARBOUR AIR SERVICES COORDINATES PLANE-SIDE VEHICLE PICK-UPS AND DROP-OFFS, CATERS FLIGHTS, AND PARKS AIRCRAFTS. THEY SAY THE INCREASE IS BECAUSE OF TWO POPULAR NORTHERN MICHIGAN EVENTS.

July 15, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE SUMMIT WAS HOSTED BY THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. THE *GOAL IS TO DIVERSIFY LOCAL MANUFACTURING WITH OTHER AREAS INCLUDING: AEROSPACE, DEFENSE CONTRACTING AND MEDICAL DEVICES. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS MORE.

July 15, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THINGS AREN'T GETTING ANY BETTER YET. IN FACT -- MICHIGAN'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE JUMPED MORE THAN A POINT TO 15.2 PERCENT IN JUNE. STATE OFFICIALS SAY THE LATEST JOBLESS RATE IS UP 7.1 PERCENTAGE POINTS COMPARED TO JUNE OF LAST YEAR -- THAT'S ANOTHER 337-THOUSAND JOBS LOST. THE BUREAU OF LABOR MARKET INFORMATION AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES SAYS A LARGE DROP IN MANUFACTURING JOBS CAUSED BY RESTRUCTURING IN THE AUTO INDUSTRY ACCOUNTED FOR MUCH OF THE RISE. THE NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN JUNE WAS 9.5 PERCENT.

July 16, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE LATEST SNAPSHOT OF MICHIGAN'S EMPLOYMENT PICTURE SHOWS ANOTHER ROUGH MONTH FOR THE STATE'S WORKERS. THE LATEST JOBLESS RATE IS UP 7.1 PERCENTAGE POINTS COMPARED TO JUNE OF LAST YEAR -- THAT'S ANOTHER 337-THOUSAND JOBS LOST. IT'S ALSO UP MORE THAN A FULL PERCENTAGE POINT SINCE MAY'S 14.1 PERCENT. 7 & 4'S BILL FROEHLICH HAS MORE ON HOW ONE LOCAL AGENCY IS TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH THE INCREASING NUMBER OF PEOPLE LOOKING FOR WORK.

July 16, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

UNEMPLOYMENT MIGHT BE UP THE STATE, BUT ONE COMMUNITY IS CELEBRATING THE ANNIVERSARY OF A BUSINESS THAT'S BROUGHT JOBS INTO THE AREA. LITTLE RIVER CASINO IN MANISTEE IS CELEBRATING ITS 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS ITS ECONOMIC IMPACT OVER THE PAST DECADE.

July 17, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN FACT, A NATIONAL REPORT SAYS THERE'S A SIGN THAT HOMEBUILDERS ARE STARTING TO REGAIN CONFIDENCE AS THEY EMERGE FROM THE HOUSING BUST. CONSTRUCTION OF NEW U.S. HOMES ROSE IN JUNE TO THE HIGHEST LEVEL IN SEVEN MONTHS. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH FOUND SIMILAR TRENDS HAPPENING RIGHT HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

July 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SAYS ACCORDING TO A CITY ORDINANCE, PROPERTY OWNERS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY HALF OF THE SIDEWALK REPAIR COSTS. SOME BUSINESS OWNERS DON'T AGREE WITH THIS POLICY AND THINK SAFETY SHOULD BE THE MAIN PRIORITY. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS.

July 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AFTER YEARS OF CONSTRUCTION, A NEW MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR MARINA IS NOW OPEN IN CHEBOYGAN COUNTY. STRAITS STATE HARBOR IN MACKINAW CITY OPENED SATURDAY. THE 15-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT TOOK 3 YEARS TO COMPLETE.

July 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ANIMALS SHELTERS ACROSS NORTHERN MICHIGAN ARE QUICKLY RUNNING OUT OF ROOM...THIS AS MORE AND MORE PETS ARE BEING DROPPED OFF. PLANS ARE NOW UNDERWAY IN OTSEGO COUNTY TO FIND MORE SPACE. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS DETAILS ON THE PLAN AND THE PRICE TAG.

July 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

COOLER WEATHER IS TO BLAME FOR THE LATE HARVEST OF SWEET CORN ---BUT THE LATE START COULD MAKE FOR A LONGER HARVEST.LOCAL FARMERS SAY THEY WON'T BEGIN HARVESTING THE POPULAR SUMMER CROP FOR ANOTHER TWO WEEKS. DESPITE THE HOLD UP---THERE IS SOME POSITIVE NEWS.FARMERS SAY THERE'S A GOOD POSSIBILITY THEY'LL CONTINUE TO HARVEST THE CROP WELL INTO OCTOBER.TYPICALLY FARMERS WOULD BEGIN SELLING THEIR CROP IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS---BUT A COOLER THAN NORMAL SUMMER HAS THE HARVEST DATE PUSHED BACK UNTIL THE SECOND WEEK OF AUGUST.

July 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE COMMONS AND MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY GET A LOT OF VISITORS, BUT GETTING IN AND OUT OF THE AREA ISN'T ALWAYS QUICK AND EASY. PLANNERS ARE WORKING ON BUILDING A NEW ROAD INTO THE GRAND TRAVERSE COMMONS, BUT A VIEWER WANTED TO KNOW, WHY DON'T THEY JUST RE-OPEN AND REPAIR A ROAD THAT ALREADY EXISTS AND MAYBE SAVE TIME AND MONEY IN THE PROCESS? THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE RECOVERY ACT FUNDS ARE TARGETING HIGH GROWTH RENEWABLE ENERGY FIELDS INCLUDING: WIND, SOLAR, BIOMASS AND GEO-THERMAL COMPANIES. A GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY MAN IS ALL TOO FAMILIAR WITH THE WIND ENERGY FIELD AND THINKS THE FEDERAL FUNDS COULD EXPAND THE INDUSTRY.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

July 21, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

THIS TIME OF YEAR SWEET CORN IS A POPULAR CROP THAT MANY PEOPLE WANT TO GET THEIR HANDS ON.BUT WITH A COOLER THAN NORMAL SUMMER THE CROP IS WAY BEHIND SCHEDULE.WHILE YOU WON'T FIND LOCALLY GROWN SWEET CORN AT AREA FARMERS MARKETS ANYTIME SOON----THAT DOESN'T MEAN ALL HOPE IS LOST. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER EXPLAINS.

July 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ALTHOUGH MANDATED HOME FIRE SPRINKLERS WERE VOTED DOWN, A LOCAL FIRE OFFICIAL THINKS THE SYSTEMS ARE A SAFETY FEATURE FOR HOMES.BUT-AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS LIKE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SAY THE SYSTEMS COULD BE COSTLY.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

July 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHILE MANY AREA FARMERS ARE BATTELING AN UNUSUALLY COOLER SUMMER, THERE IS STILL HOPE OUT THERE FOR THE SEASON AHEAD.THAT'S BECAUSE MANY GROWERS ARE FINDING GROWING DEMAND AT AREA FARMER MARKETS.SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

July 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AS AN INCREASING NUMBER OF PEOPLE ARE TURNING TO FOOD BANKS FOR HELP THIS YEAR -- A SUPER-CENTER CHAIN HAS DECIDED TO STEP IN WITH SOME HELP. MEIJER IS GIVING OUT THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN FREE GIFT CARDS TO FOOD PANTRY'S ACROSS THE STATE. STORE LOCATION WILL GET 100 -- 10-DOLLAR-GIFT-CARDS TO HAND OUT TO AN ORGANIZATION OF THEIR CHOICE.

THE PANTRIES IN TURN HAND THEM OUT TO NEEDY FAMILIES, SO THAT THEY CAN PURCHASE A FEW EXTRA GROCERIES.

July 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AFTER A TWO WEEK BREAK STATE LAWMAKERS ARE BACK AT WORK.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER SAT DOWN WITH STATE REPRESENTATIVE WAYNE SCHMIDT FOR THE LATEST ON BUDGET NEGOTIATIONS.

July 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ABOUT A MONTH AGO THE PRESIDENT SIGNED THE CASH FOR CLUNKERS BILL INTO LAW. IT'S DESIGNED TO GIVE DRIVERS A FINANCIAL INCENTIVE, UP TO \$4,500 TO GET RID OF THEIR OLDER CARS FOR MORE FUEL EFFICIENT ONES. WE TOLD YOU ABOUT THE DETAILS IN A PREVIOUS FACT FINDER REPORT. THE PROGRAM HAS GOTTEN A LOT OF ATTENTION AND SPARKED A LOT OF INTEREST, BUT THERE'S BEEN A DELAY IN GETTING THINGS ROLLING.A VIEWER WANTED TO KNOW WHAT'S THE HOLD UP AND WHERE DO THINGS STAND NOW?THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 23, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

GROWERS HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN AND ACROSS THE STATE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING MOTHER NATURE ALL SUMMER LONG.AND WITH THE CHERRY CROP HARVEST WEEKS BEHIND SCHEDULE THEY MAY SOON BE FACED WITH YET ANOTHER CHALLENGE---- AND THAT'S FEWER HANDS.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THAT'S BECAUSE WORK CREWS WANT TO BE SURE THE ROAD UNDERNEATH CAN SUPPORT THE EXTRA WEIGHT. AND THAT MEANS MORE TESTS IN THE DAYS AHEAD. SEVEN AND FOUR'S BILL FROEHLICH REPORTS.

July 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES---FINDING A JOB IS HARD---AND FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IT'S EVEN HARDER.A NEW BUSINESS IN BENZIE COUNTY IS HELPING PEOPLE FIND WORK---- WHILE PROVIDING HAND CRAFTED ITEMS AT THE SAME TIME.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER EXPLAINS.

July 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER SOME GOOD NEWS!ABOUT A TRADITION THAT DISAPPEARED FOR A FEW YEARS...BUT IS BACK, BRINGING FOOD TO THE TABLE, AND A PIECE OF HISTORY BACK TO AN AREA COMMUNITY.A VIEWER HEARD THE RUMORS...ASKED ME THE QUESTIONS. AND THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR HER ARE THE SUBJECT OF TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.

July 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ANOTHER GROUP OF STATE LEGISLATORS PAID A VISIT TO NORTHERN MICHIGAN TODAY TO UNVEIL A PLAN THEY SAY WILL HELP BOOST THE ECONOMY. THE RE-ENERGIZE MICHIGAN BILL SPONSORED BY STATE HOUSE DEMOCRATS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY AT THE SITE OF A WIND TURBINE IN LEELANAU COUNTY'S

ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP. THE PLAN WOULD REQUIRE 30 PERCENT OF OUR ELECTRICITY COME FROM ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES BY 20-25.

July 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

FROM GAS PRICES TO AN UNUSUALLY COOLER SUMMER, THERE ARE MANY FACTORS EATING INTO MARINA PROFITS.BUT, AS SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL REPORTS, MANY HARBOR MASTERS SAY THIS SUMMER IS SHAPING UP TO BE A GOOD ONE.

July 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE HAVE Poured ONTO FRONT STREET WHERE ALL THE ACTION IS TAKING PLACE. AND IN THE MIDST OF THAT CROWD IS 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH. MELISSA ... HOW ARE THINGS GOING OUT THERE?

July 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN THE SUMMER MONTHS WE SEE A LOT MORE CARS ON THE ROAD AND A LOT MORE VISITORS AT LOCAL HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS. BUT THAT CAN BE A DANGEROUS COMBINATION ON ONE STRETCH OF ROAD IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY. A VIEWER WROTE IN ASKING ISN'T THERE ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE TO MAKE U.S. 31 SAFER FOR EVERYONE.WE TAKE A CLOSER LOOK IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A FAMILY OWNED ART AND CRAFTS SUPPLIES BUSINESS THAT'S OPERATED IN TRAVERSE CITY FOR 60 YEARS IS CLOSING ITS DOORS. DEYOUNG'S ON FRONT STREET WILL CLOSE THIS FALL. OWNER PAT DEYOUNG SAYS THEY MADE THE DECISION BECAUSE SHE WANTS TO RETIRE. THE STORE STARTED AS A HARDWARE STORE YEARS AGO AND EVOLVED INTO THE ART SUPPLY AND FRAMING SHOP IT IS TODAY. DEYOUNG SAYS THE THING SHE WILL MISS MOST IS THE PEOPLE.

July 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE WEXFORD COUNTY CIVIC CENTER NOT ONLY HAS NEW MANAGERS- BUT IS ALSO RECEIVING A NEW LOOK.THE RENNOVATIONS STARTED ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO AND NEW STAFF SAY MORE UPGRADES ARE STILL ON THE WAY.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS BEHIND THE FACILITY'S FACELIFT.

July 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S COMMONLY KNOWN AS "ONE WATER STREET" - THE NEW DEVELOPMENT ABOUT TO CROP UP IN BOYNE CITY.THE PARTY IS STARTING RIGHT NOW - DEVELOPERS AND CITY LEADERS ARE HOLDING A GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY TONIGHT AT THE SITE.7 &4'S BILL FROEHLICH WAS THERE EARLIER TODAY AND HAS REACTION TO THE COMMUNITY'S "BIG VISION" FOR THE "BIG PROJECT."

July 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TODAY CALLED CONGRESS TO LET THEM KNOW THEY ARE HALTING THE PROGRAM THREE MONTHS EARLY. THEY SAY NEARLY 23-THOUSAND VEHICLES HAVE BEEN PURCHASED ...WITH NEARLY 96-MILLION DOLLARS SPENT. BUT DEALERS HAVE OTHER CONCERNS. JAY GRAY EXPLAINS.

August 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN ONGOING ISSUE INVOLVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN TRAVERSE CITY COULD BE FINALIZED TONIGHT.OWNERS OF THE WHITING HOTEL ON FRONT STREET ARE COMING BEFORE THE CITY COMMISSION TONIGHT IN HOPES OF GETTING PERMISSION TO SELL AND UPGRADE THEIR UNITS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

August 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE UNCERTAINTY SURROUNDING THE POPULAR CASH FOR CLUNKERS PROGRAM IS BRINGING WITH IT AN INCREASE IN SALES FOR LOCAL DEALER SHIPS.

August 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MEANWHILE, REPRESENTATIVES FROM WASHINGTON ARE JOINING AUTO INDUSTRY LEADERS HERE IN TRAVERSE CITY.THIS IS WHERE A FORUM IS BEING HELD TO DISCUSS MANY OF THE CHALLENGES AND LONG TERM SOLUTIONS FACING CAR MAKERS AND SUPPLIERS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS THE DETAILS.

August 5, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

RESULTS ARE NETTING SOME QUESTIONS IN OTSEGO COUNTY NOW, WHERE THE FUTURE OF A LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT IS UP IN THE AIR THIS AFTER VOTERS REJECTED THE VANDERBILT-CORWITH'S TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT'S MILLAGE RENEWAL REQUEST.SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

August 5, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IF THEY CAN'T GET A WARM SUMMER, FARMERS ARE HOPING FOR A LONGER SUMMER AND WARMER TEMPERATURES WELL INTO THE FALL OR THEY COULD FACE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN CROP LOSSES.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH REPORTS

August 6, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

YESTERDAY, THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GAVE TWO-POINT FOUR BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF BATTERY GRANTS TO THE AUTO INDUSTRY.MICHIGAN RECEIVED ONE POINT THREE BILLION DOLLARS.GOVERNOR GRANHOLM SAYS THESE FUNDS WILL GO TOWARDS MANUFACTURING TO HELP KEEP MICHIGAN AS THE AUTOMOTIVE LEADER. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

August 6, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHILE THERE HAS BEEN PLENTY OF SUNSHINE IN THE SKY, TEMPERATURES HAVE STILL BEEN A FAR CRY FROM A TYPICAL SUMMER.COOLER WEATHER IS BEING BLAMED ON DROPS IN BUSINESS AND DELAYS IN THE CROP FIELDS.BUT, AS SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS, SOME ARE ACTUALLY SEEING THE COOLER WEATHER AS A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

August 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER, DURING THE DAY, YOU HARDLY EVER NOTICED IT, BUT AT NIGHT, DRIVING ALONG M-72, YOU COULD SEE THE FLAME A GLOW FROM THE GLEN'S LANDFILL.BUT NOT ANYMORE...A VIEWER WONDERED, WHAT HAPPENED TO THE FLAME? AND WHAT IS THE LANDFILL DOING WITH THE GAS NOW?THE DETAILS ARE THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

August 11, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

BUDGET DISCUSSIONS WILL CONTINUE IN LANSING THIS WEEK AS MANY STATE SENATORS ARE HEADING BACK TO THE CAPITOL.

August 12, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

LAST NIGHT THE ACME TOWNSHIP BOARD AGREED TO PUT A RESOLUTION ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT ASKING FOR A 1 MILL INCREASE OVER THE NEXT 5 YEARS. THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR SAYS THE MILEAGE WOULD GO TOWARDS MUCH NEEDED ROAD REPAIRS IN THE AREA.SEVEN AND FOUR'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS.

August 13, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TODAY'S ECONOMY, MANY PEOPLE ARE CHANGING CAREER PATHS TO GET BACK ON TRACK.A NEW PROGRAM AT NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE IS HELPING TO RE-TRAIN WORKERS IN EMERGING ECO-FRIENDLY FIELDS. 7&4'S JAYNE SMITH EXPLAINS IN TONIGHT'S GO GREEN.

August 13, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

FOR NEARLY 2 YEARS THE GRAND VISION HAS BEEN THE TALK OF THE TOWN. THE MULTI MILLION DOLLAR REGIONAL PLANNING INITIATIVE AIMS TO SET GROWTH GOALS FOR THE NEXT 50 YEARS BASED ON PUBLIC INPUT.FOR A WHILE IT WAS IN THE NEWS REGULARLY, BUT A VIEWER WROTE IN SAYING IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE SHE'S HEARD ANYTHING. SO WHAT IS NEXT WITH THE GRAND VISION?THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

August 13, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THIS AFTERNOON THE CITY APPEALED THAT DECISION IN FRONT OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION IN LANSING.BUT THE COMMISSION VOTED AGAINST THAT REQUEST.SO WHERE DOES THE CITY GO FROM HERE? IS THE ISSUE DEAD? AND HOW DO BOATERS AND SWIMMERS FEEL SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS MORE.

August 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN MARKETING COMPANY IS HITTING THE ROAD ALL TO OFFER FREE ADVICE TO OTHER BUSINESSES THROUGHOUT THE STATE. ONE-UP-WEB IN TRAVERSE CITY TOOK OFF FOR A 5-DAY ROAD TRIP TODAY.

THE GOAL IS TO HELP MICHIGAN COMPANIES GAIN A FRESH PERSPECTIVE WITH THEIR ONLINE MARKETING PLANS.

August 18, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE PROGRAM CURRENTLY PROVIDES CASH AND FOOD ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO QUALIFY.COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE FOOD ASSISTANCE PORTION BUT THAT'S WHERE THE QUESTION OF ABUSE COMES INTO PLAY.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE STORY.

August 19, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PUTS ITS SUPPORT BEHIND 8 PROJECTS ACROSS THE STATE IN HOPES OF BRINGING IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS AND MILLIONS IN REVENUE. 4 OF THOSE PROJECTS WOULD BENEFIT NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

August 19, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE PROGRAMS SLATED FOR CUTS INCLUDE: CHILD ABUSE REDUCTION SERVICES, FAMILY PLANNING AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH CLINICS.THE GRAND TRAVERSE HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS THE CUTS COME AT A TIME WHEN MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE IN NEED OF THESE PROGRAMS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS THE EFFECTS OF POTENTIAL CUTS.

August 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN DEVELOPER HAS RECEIVED THE FINANCING THEY NEED TO BEGIN A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT IN CHARLEVOIX COUNTY. CATT DEVELOPMENT WILL RECEIVE MORE THAN 2-AND-A-HALF MILLION DOLLARS IN INCENTIVES FOR THEIR ONE WATER STREET PROJECT IN BOYNE CITY. THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME FROM GOVERNOR JENNIFER GRANHOLM EARLIER THIS WEEK IN LANSING. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

August 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE RESULTS OF 3 COMMUNITY VISIONARY SESSIONS FOR WHAT TO DO WITH SUGAR LOAF MOUNTAIN ARE RELEASED. ABOUT 240 PEOPLE FROM CENTERVILLE AND CLEVELAND TOWNSHIPS CAME TO THE SESSIONS HELD BACK IN JUNE. WITH THE HELP OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR BROWNFIELD COMMUNITIES PROGRAM OR TAB -- IDEAS WERE GATHERED AND 2 SCENARIOS CAME OUT ON TOP.

August 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TODAY IN TRAVERSE CITY A JOINT HEARING WAS HELD AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ALL TO TALK ABOUT THE NEXT GENERATION OF JOBS IN THE STATE. SENATOR JASON ALLEN AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE ED CLEMENTE {cla-men-TE} AND REPRESENTATIVE WAYNE SMITH SPOKE WITH LOCAL VENDORS AND BUSINESSES.THE EVENT IS THE SECOND OF A SERIES OF HEARINGS THAT THE STATE OFFICIALS ARE TAKING PART IN ALONG WITH THE STATE HOUSE.

August 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTER FOR AUTOMOTIVE RESEARCH MADE A STOP IN TRAVERSE CITY TODAY DOCTOR DAVID COLE SPOKE IN FRONT OF A PACKED ROOM AT THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF TRAVERSE CITY'S MONTHLY MEETING.DOCTOR COLE'S

SPEECH TOUCHED ON THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE AUTO INDUSTRY---THE IMPACT IT'S HAD ON MICHIGAN---AND WHAT HE BELIEVES THE FUTURE WILL BRING. HE ALSO STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION.

August 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHETHER OR NOT LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TAKE PLACE IN ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY MAY SOON BE UP TO THE RESIDENTS TO DECIDE. DURING A SPECIAL MEETING TONIGHT THE PEOPLE OF EAST BAY TOWNSHIP WILL DECIDE IF A MILLAGE PROPOSAL FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS WILL END UP ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS THE DETAILS.

August 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN FACT, THE DAN MCCORMICK FORD, CHRYSLER, DODGE AND JEEP DEALERSHIP IN KALKASKA SAYS THEY ENDED THEIR 'CASH FOR CLUNKERS' PROGRAM BECAUSE THEY HAVE YET TO RECEIVE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN REIMBURSEMENTS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS THEIR CONCERNS AND WHAT THEY THOUGHT ABOUT THE PROGRAM.

August 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER... THE OLD SAYING GOES ONE MAN'S TRASH IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE...BUT FOR ONE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY MAN IT'S HIS TREASURES THAT HAVE COST HIM THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, COUNTLESS HOURS, AND A FEW TRIPS TO COURT TO PROVE THAT ITS NOT TRASH.WHAT IS JUNK? THE STORY, AND THE ANSWER IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

August 26, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S BUSIEST AIRPORT IS GETTING EVEN BUSIER. A MONTHLY REPORT DETAILING PASSENGER STATISTICS WAS RECENTLY RELEASED FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. IT SHOWS THAT WHILE SOME AIRPORTS ACROSS THE STATE ARE SEEING A DECREASE IN PASSENGERS -- CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT IN TRAVERSE CITY IS SEEING MORE. IN FACT NEARLY 6-PERCENT MORE PASSENGERS CAME THROUGH CHERRY CAPITAL THIS JULY COMPARED TO LAST.

August 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE BUILDING OFFICIAL SAYS THE LAY OFFS HAVE BEEN BREWING FOR QUITE SOME TIME.THE DEPARTMENT IS SELF FUNDED THROUGH PERMITS AND INSPECTION FEES---AND IF CONTRACTORS AREN'T BUILDING THEN THERE'S NO MONEY COMING IN TO PAY EMPLOYEES.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS MORE ON THE IMPACT IT COULD HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT IS NOT YOUR ORDINARY SALE...BUT IT IS AN INTERESTING NEW WAY TO TACKLE CHALLENGES FACING MANY AREA ANIMAL SHELTERS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A TRAVERSE CITY BASED CAR DEALERSHIP IS SPREADING IT'S ENTERPRISE INTO KALKASKA. BILL MARSH AUTO GROUP ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE THE DAN MCCORMICK DEALERSHIP IN KALKASKA. DAN MCCORMICK SENIOR SAYS HE IS SELLING BECAUSE HE IS READY TO RETIRE. HE BOUGHT THE DEALERSHIP IN 19-85. BILL MARSH JUNIOR SAYS DAN MCCORMICK IS A GOOD FIT FOR THEIR BUSINESS.

September 2, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN EFFORT TO BUILD A MEIJER ON M-72 IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY'S ACME TOWNSHIP IS ONCE AGAIN UNDERWAY. THE VILLAGE AT GRAND TRAVERSE SUBMITTED A NEW DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION TO TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS ON MONDAY. MEIJER HAD TRIED BEFORE TO PUT A STORE IN A DEVELOPMENT WEST ON LAUTNER ROAD -- BUT THAT WAS TABLED UNTIL LITIGATION COULD BE RESOLVED. NOW THE SUPER-STORE IS GOING BACK ON THE TABLE.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SO, STARTING NEXT TUESDAY, M-DOT CREWS ARE REPLACING THE BRIDGE IT GOES OVER THE MANISTEE RIVER JUST NORTH OF MANTON AND SOUTH OF FIFE LAKE.THEY PLAN TO HAVE THE AREA FROM M-42 TO THE WEXFORD COUNTY LINE COMPLETELY SHUT DOWN UNTIL NEXT SPRING.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

NEARLY ONE AND A HALF MILLION MICHIGAN RESIDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO HIT THE ROADS THIS UPCOMING HOLIDAY WEEKEND.AND THERE ARE A FEW SPOTS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN ON THE LIST OF "TOP DESTINATIONS" HERE IN THE STATE. 7 & 4'S BILL FROEHLICH HAS A LOOK AT WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT IF YOU ARE TRAVELING THIS LABOR DAY WEEKEND.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AND SPEAKING OF BOATS -- THE OPERATING SEASON OF THE S-S BADGER CAR FERRY THAT RUNS BETWEEN LUDINGTON AND MANITOWOC, WISCONSIN., ACROSS LAKE MICHIGAN WILL END TWO WEEKS EARLY.BADGER OFFICIALS SAY THE SHIP IS HEADING EARLY INTO DRY DOCK IN STURGEON BAY, WISCONSIN., FOR ITS MANDATORY FIVE-YEAR INSPECTION. THEY SAY AN OPENING CAME UP AT THE SHIPYARD WHERE THE INSPECTION WILL TAKE PLACE.THE SEASON WILL END ON SEPTEMBER 27TH INSTEAD OF OCTOBER 11TH.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A GLOBALIZED SPECIALTY INSURANCE AGENCY HEAD-QUARTERED IN TRAVERSE CITY IS EXPANDING IT'S OPERATION IN THE COUNTY. HAGERTY INSURANCE IS PLANNING TO BUILD A NEW FACILITY IN GARFIELD TOWNSHIP TO SUPPORT ITS GROWING NEED FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY -- OR I-T. HAGERTY IS THE LEADING INSURANCE PROVIDER FOR COLLECTOR CARS AND BOATS IN THE UNITED STATES.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE GOAL OF THE ORGANIZATION IS TO DISTRIBUTE A MILLION POUNDS OF FOOD THROUGHOUT WEST MICHIGAN OVER THE NEXT YEAR THE TRUCK MADE A STOP IN

CADILLAC ON SATURDAY---BUT THE OVERWHELMING NEED FROM THE COMMUNITY MADE A SECOND TRIP NECESSARY. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS THE DETAILS.

September 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS WILL RUN OUT OF UNEMPLOYMENT BY THE END OF THIS MONTH AND NOW THE BIG QUESTION IS: WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU ARE ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE AND YOU'RE STILL WITHOUT A JOB?7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

September 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MOST OF MICHIGAN'S STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES HAVE THE DAY OFF TODAY FOR THE FINAL UNPAID FURLOUGH DAY OF THE SUMMER. MANY OFFICES--- INCLUDING THE SECRETARY OF STATE--- ARE CLOSED. YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GO IN NOW UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY BECAUSE OF THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.MICHIGAN EXPECTS TO SAVE ABOUT 22 MILLION DOLLARS BY HAVING THE SIX FURLOUGH DAYS THIS SUMMER.

September 7, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHETHER THEY WERE AT THE BEACH.... BOATING OUT ON THE WATER.... OR WALKING ALONG THE CLINCH PARK MARINA... PEOPLE FOUND PLENTY OF WAYS TO ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS IN TRAVERSE CITY THIS WEEKEND.FOR SOME IT MEANT A TRIP DOWNTOWN... BROWSING AT DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES OR EVEN SPENDING A FEW DOLLARS THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU SAYS THE ECONOMY AND THE COOL WEATHER TOOK ITS TOLL ON TRAVERSE CITY THIS SUMMER.BUT LABOR DAY WEEKEND LOOKS TO BE STRONG FOR AREA MERCHANTS, RESTAURANTS, AND HOTELS.

September 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT MAY STILL FEEL LIKE SUMMER, BUT THE DAYS ARE STARTING TO GET SHORTER AND THAT MEANS LESS SUNLIGHT.WITH THE RIGHT DESIGN, COLORS, AND TEXTURES IN YOUR HOME, YOU CAN GET A LOT OF HEAT AND KEEP SOME CASH IN YOUR WALLET... ALL FROM THAT LIMITED SUNSHINE. 7&4'S JAYNE SMITH EXPLAINS IN TONIGHT'S GO GREEN.

September 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TRAVERSE CITY LIGHT & POWER IS OFFERING SEVERAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS TO HELP CUSTOMERS SAVE ENERGY AND REDUCE THEIR MONTHLY BILLS.LIGHT AND POWER RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS CAN PICK-UP DISCOUNT COUPONS TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS. T-C-L-&-P SAYS THEY USE ABOUT 75 PERCENT LESS ENERGY THAN STANDARD INCANDESCENT BULBS AND LAST UP TO 10 TIMES LONGER.

September 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE DEADLINE IS APPROACHING FOR SENIORS AND LOW INCOME FAMILIES WHO MAY ANTICIPATE CHALLENGES THIS WINTER PAYING FOR HOME HEATING COSTS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL TAKES A LOOK AT SEVERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND WHY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS SAY NOW IS THE TIME TO BECOME PREPARED FOR THOSE WINTER BILLS.

September 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

LIPINSKI SAYS THE COOL SUMMER PUT THE CROP ABOUT TWO WEEKS BEHIND IN ITS GROWING SCHEDULE.SO NOW THE LACK OF RAIN AND HOT WEATHER IS SOMETHING HE HOPES WILL HELP THE CORN MATURE. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS BEHIND THE DRY SPELL AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE CROPS.

September 18, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE PROGRAM CURRENTLY PROVIDES CASH AND FOOD ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO QUALIFY. COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE FOOD ASSISTANCE PORTION BUT THAT'S WHERE THE QUESTION OF ABUSE COMES INTO PLAY. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE STORY.

September 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

OWNERS OF A FARM MARKET IN LEELANAU COUNTY HARVESTED THEIR PUMPKINS THIS PAST WEEKEND. THEY SAY THERE ARE STILL SOME LEFT IN THE FIELDS THAT ARE CONTINUING TO RIPEN -- BUT OVERALL NUMBERS ARE DOWN. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS.

September 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER... IF YOU RELY ON SOCIAL SECURITY TO MAKE ENDS MEET, NEXT YEAR YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE DO WITH WHAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY GETTING. WORD OUT OF WASHINGTON IS THAT THERE WILL BE NO COST OF LIVING INCREASE FOR SOCIAL SECURITY RECIPIENTS. ONE OF OUR VIEWER'S WONDERED IF OTHER PEOPLE WHO GET A CHECK FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT *ARE* GETTING A BUMP IN THE PAY IN THE FORM OF A COST OF LIVING INCREASE. TURNS OUT... SOME WILL THE ANSWER I FOUND IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

September 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AREA REALTORS IN PARTS OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN ARE REPORTING A SLIGHT INCREASE IN HOME SALES THIS YEAR, THANKS IN PART TO AN 8 THOUSAND DOLLAR TAX CREDIT FOR FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS. BUT, AS SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL REPORTS, THE CLOCK ON THE PROGRAM IS RUNNING OUT.

September 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN MANUFACTURER SAYS THEY'LL SOON BE DOUBLING THEIR WORK FORCE. THE NEWS COMES FROM GAYLORD-BASED MARK ONE COMPANY. MARK ONE PRODUCES MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT AND RECENTLY DEVELOPED THE GREEN CLEAN SYSTEM. IT'S A CLEANING EQUIPMENT USED IN STEEL MANUFACTURING.

September 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

CITY GOVERNMENTS, COUNTIES, AND TOWNSHIPS ARE AMONG THOSE LEFT WAITING FOR WORD ON THE STATE BUDGET - BECAUSE THOSE NUMBERS WILL AFFECT THE BUDGETS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. 7 & 4'S BILL FROEHLICH TALKED WITH LEADERS IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY TO FIND OUT HOW THEY CAN PLAN THEIR OWN BUDGETS - WHEN THE STATE WAITS UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO FIGURE OUT ITS NUMBERS.

September 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AS BUSINESSES AND GOVERNMENTS TRY TO BALANCE THEIR BUDGETS MANY ARE IMPLEMENTING UNPAID DAYS OFF, OR FURLOUGH DAYS. FOR MANY STATE EMPLOYEES THAT MEANT 6 LONG WEEKENDS THIS SUMMER, AND A LITTLE LIGHTER PAY CHECK. FOR SOME PEOPLE THAT MEANT SOME UNSUCCESSFUL TRIPS TO GET A LICENSE RENEWED. BUT VIEWER JIM HAGERMAN CALLED US ASKING WHY SOME DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICE EMPLOYEES WERE BEING FURLOUGHED ONE DAY,

THEN WORKING OVERTIME, AND EARNING OVERTIME PAY THE NEXT. THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

September 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S CRUNCH TIME FOR CREWS TO WRAP UP THOSE SUMMER LONG ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.BUT EVEN STILL SEVERAL VIEWERS WROTE US WONDERING WHY WORK HAD STOPPED EARLY AT SEVERAL SITES SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS THE ANSWERS.

September 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NEW PARKING DECK IN DOWNTOWN TRAVERSE CITY IS CLOSER TO BECOMING A REALITY. AT THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING LAST NIGHT, CITY MANAGER BEN BIFOSS OUTLINED EACH ASPECT OF THE OLD TOWN PARKING DECK PROJECT -- INCLUDING HOW IT WILL BE FUNDED, CONSTRUCTION BIDS---- AND A TIME-LINE FOR THE PROJECT. SOME GOOD NEWS---THE CITY MANAGER SAYS THE BIDS CAME IN LOWER THAN ANTICIPATED.

September 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE RECENT COOL WEATHER NOT ONLY HAS PEOPLE TURNING ON THEIR HEAT BUT ALSO *TURNING TO AGENCIES FOR HELP WITH HEATING BILLS.THE FATHER FRED FOUNDATION IN TRAVERSE CITY SAYS REQUESTS ARE ALREADY UP 25% FROM THIS TIME LAST YEAR AND THEY EXPECT THAT NUMBER TO RISE.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

HEALTH

(Includes exercise, dieting, disease prevention, as well as new treatment options)

Local News

July 3, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

BOATERS ARE SETTING SAIL THIS WEEKEND FOR A CAUSE.THE SECOND LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA IS BRINGING PEOPLE OUT TO GRAND TRAVERSE BAY TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY.TODAY RACES ARE GOING ON AROUND THE BAY. TOMORROW NIGHT A SILENT AUCTION AND DINNER WILL TAKE PLACE.THIS YEAR'S HONORED HERO IS 5 YEAR OLD ASHLYN MCFADDEN. SHE WAS FIRST DIAGNOSED WITH LEUKEMIA IN 2007 AND AFTER GOING INTO REMISSION WAS DIAGNOSED WITH A DIFFERENT FORM OF THE DISEASE EARLIER THIS YEAR.

July 3, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

IT'S TIME FOR THE JULY FOURTH HOLIDAY, IT'S ALSO TIME TO CALL YOUR BUDDY AS A REMINDER TO DO A SELF BREAST EXAM. AS WE COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY TO CELEBRATE OUR NATION'S BIRTHDAY, IN THIS MONTH'S BUDDY

CHECK REPORT WE'RE TAKING TIME TO SHOW HOW COMMUNITY SUPPORT IS HELPING WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE.

July 6, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

ALTHOUGH THE SWINE FLU HAS SPREAD ALL OVER THE WORLD, SCIENTISTS SAY IT HASN'T BEEN MOVING FROM PERSON TO PERSON AS EFFICIENTLY AS OTHER VIRUSES HAVE. NOW RESEARCHERS AT THE C-D-C THINK THEY KNOW WHY. IT APPEARS THE VIRUS -- CALLED H-1-N-1 -- HAS A PROTEIN ON ITS SURFACE THAT DOESN'T ATTACH VERY EASILY TO RECEPTORS IN THE RESPIRATORY TRACT. FLU VIRUSES CAN MUTATE WITHOUT MUCH WARNING THOUGH -- AND SCIENTISTS ARE KEEPING A CLOSE EYE ON WHAT'S CURRENTLY CIRCULATING. HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD HAVE DIED FROM THE SWINE FLU -- AND MORE THAN 70-THOUSAND MORE HAVE BEEN SICKENED.

July 7, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

A HEATING AND COOLING TENT HAS BEEN SET UP IN THE MIDDLE OF ALL THE FUN---BUT INSTEAD OF PEOPLE SEEKING RELIEF FROM THE HEAT---LATELY ITS BEEN THE EXACT OPPOSITE. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 9, 2009

Time:5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

IN HEALTH NEWS TONIGHT. A TREATMENT FROM THE FAR EAST HAS COME TO THE AID OF YOUNG PATIENTS IN THE MIDWEST. CHILDREN ARE UNDERGOING ACUPUNCTURE TO CURE WHAT AILS THEM. ANNE MARIE TIERNAN REPORTS.

July 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS CONFIRM TWO CASES OF SWINE FLU AT A GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY SUMMER CAMP. TWO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WERE DIAGNOSED WITH THE H-1-N-1 VIRUS WHILE ATTENDING INTERLOCHEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS. HEALTH OFFICIALS TOLD 7 AND 4 NEWS THAT THE TEENS SYMPTOMS WERE CAUGHT EARLY AND WILL NOT REQUIRE HOSPITALIZATION. FULL RECOVERY FROM THE VIRUS IS EXPECTED.

July 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NEW HEALTH CENTER IN EMMET COUNTY WILL PROVIDE THOSE IN NEED WITH ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE. THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN IS OPENING UP NEXT MONDAY IN HARBOR SPRINGS. IT WILL PROVIDE NUMEROUS SERVICES FOR UN-INSURED AND UNDER-SERVED PEOPLE. FROM THINGS LIKE FAMILY AND GENERAL HEALTHCARE TO LOW-COST MEDICATIONS.

July 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHILE THE U-S SENATE COULD DELAY A VOTE ON PRESIDENT OBAMA'S HEALTH CARE PLAN... THE PRESIDENT OF THE AREA'S LARGEST HOSPITAL IS TALKING ABOUT IT.... THE PRESIDENT AND C-E-O OF MUNSON MEDICAL CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY SAYS IT'S TOO SOON TO TALK ABOUT THE SPECIFICS OF A NATIONWIDE HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL. BUT ED NESS ALSO SAYS CHANGE COULD BE A GOOD THING. HE SAYS ANY PLAN THAT MEANS MORE COVERAGE FOR THE UNINSURED OR UNDER-INSURED COULD HELP HOSPITALS ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND NESS SAYS HE'S ENCOURAGED BY THE PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS ABOUT HELPING HOSPITALS AND PHYSICIANS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES. REGARDLESS OF WHAT A FINAL BILL LOOKS LIKE - HE SAYS IT'S A GOOD DISCUSSION TO HAVE.

August 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S THE 4TH MONTH AND THAT MEANS IT'S TIME TO CALL YOUR BUDDY AS A REMINDER TO DO A SELF BREAST EXAM. IT'S ALSO TIME FOR THIS MONTH'S BUDDY CHECK REPORT! WHEN A PATIENT GETS A DIAGNOSIS OF BREAST CANCER, THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DECIDED AND OFTEN QUICKLY. ONE OF THOSE THINGS IS HOW THEY WANT TO LOOK AFTER SURGERY. FOR ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN WOMAN, THE ANSWER WAS CLEAR.

August 19, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS THAT PERTUSSIS OR WHOOPING COUGH IS ON THE RISE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.RIGHT NOW...TWO CHILDREN UNDER TWO YEARS OLD ARE BEING TREATED FOR THE DISEASE IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY.ONE OF THE CHILDREN IS CONFIRMED TO HAVE WHOOPING COUGH.THE SECOND CHILD BEING TREATED IS UNRELATED TO THE FIRST CASE.

August 19, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS URGING EMPLOYERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO START PREPARING NOW FOR THE UPCOMING FLU SEASON AND FOR A POTENTIAL OUTBREAK OF THE SWINE FLU. OFFICIALS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY SAID TODAY THAT COMPANIES NEED TO EASE POLICIES ON SICK DAYS OR IF PARENTS NEED TO STAY HOME TO CARE FOR SICK CHILDREN.

August 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN JUST ABOUT TWO WEEKS STUDENTS AROUND THE STATE WILL RETURN TO SCHOOL.BUT TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS AND PRINCIPALS ARE ALREADY BACK AT WORK THIS WEEK.PART OF THEIR PREPARATIONS INCLUDE DISCUSSING SWINE FLU PREVENTIONS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

August 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WITH STUDENTS HEADING BACK TO SCHOOL AND FLU SEASON APPROACHING- THAT MEANS THE POSSIBILITY OF VIRUSES SPREADING INCLUDING H-1-N-1 OR SWINE FLU.IN AN EFFORT TO PLAN AHEAD, HEALTH DEPARTMENTS ARE FORMING TASKS FORCES TO PREVENT A POSSIBLE OUTBREAK.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

September 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT IS THE 4TH OF THE MONTH AND THAT MEANS IT'S TIME TO CALL YOUR BUDDY AS A REMINDER TO DO A SELF BREAST EXAM... IT'S ALSO TIME FOR THIS MONTH'S BUDDY CHECK REPORT.LAST MONTH WE INTRODUCED YOU TO TERI BROWN. SHE'S A TRAVERSE CITY BREAST CANCER SURVIVOR WHO HAD A DOUBLE MASTECTOMY AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY AT ONLY AGE 38.

September 7, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

THE 44TH ANNUAL JERRY LEWIS MDA TELETHON IS OFFICIALLY IN THE BOOKS--- BUT NOT BEFORE IT BRINGS IN MORE THAN 60 MILLION DOLLARS.NORTHERN

MICHIGAN DID ITS PART TOO. ALL DAY LONG SEVEN AND FOUR NEWS BROADCASTED LIVE FROM THE GRAND TRAVERSE MALL TO HELP RAISE AWARENESS FOR M.D.A

September 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TRAVERSE CITY PARKS AND RECREATION IS TOSSING AROUND THE IDEA OF BANNING SMOKING IN ALL CITY PARKS. THE IDEA WAS BROUGHT UP AT THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING LAST NIGHT. WE'RE TOLD THE MAIN REASON FOR THE BAN IS TO PREVENT UNWANTED SECOND HAND SMOKE.THE CITY SAYS A BAN ON ALL THE CITY PARKS WOULD BE EASIER TO ENFORCE THAN A BAN ON SELECTED AREAS NEAR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND PAVILIONS. ANOTHER REASON BEHIND THE BAN IS TO KEEP THE PARKS CLEAN FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

September 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

INSTEAD OF WRITING LETTERS OR MAKING CALLS TO HER STATE LAWMAKERS, A BENZIE COUNTY WOMAN IS USING A POPULAR VIDEO SHARING WEBSITE TO GET HER MESSAGE ACROSS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE STORY BEHIND ONE PARENT'S ATTEMPT TO IMPACT LAWMAKERS DECISIONS WHEN IT COMES TO STATE CUTS.

September 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

YOU CAN GRAB A SANDWICH FOR LUNCH THIS FRIDAY AND HELP IN THE FIGHT AGAINST BREAST CANCER. IT'S LUNCH ON THE RUN BEING PUT ON BY BILL MARSH AUTOMOTIVE GROUP AND HAGERTY INSURANCE. FOR 7 DOLLARS YOU GET A HOAGIE, CHIPS, AN APPLE AND A WATER -- A SANDWICH ALONE IS JUST 5-BUCKS -- OR TO GET YOUR LUNCH DELIVERED IT'S 8 DOLLARS.

September 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY IS PREPARING TO TAKE THE STEPS NECESSARY TO HELP CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM LEUKEMIA. "THE WALK" WILL TAKE PLACE IN PETOSKEY IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S LEUKEMIA FOUNDATION OF MICHIGAN. COMMUNITY MEMBERS WILL TAKE IN THE SCENIC THREE-MILE ROUTE FOR A CURE, WHILE HELPING RAISE MONEY FOR FAMILIES IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

September 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

COOL WEATHER THIS SUMMER MAY HAVE BEEN A BUMMER FOR BEACH GOERS -- BUT IT MEANT LARGER CROWDS AT AN AREA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM.THE GREAT LAKES CHILDREN'S MUSEUM IN GREILICKVILLE SAW A 56-PERCENT INCREASE IN ATTENDANCE THIS JULY AND AUGUST OVER LAST YEAR THEY SAY MORE THAN 8-THOUSAND 500 VISITORS DROPPED BY OVER THE TWO-MONTH SPAN.VISITORS SAY THE MUSEUM WAS PACKED THROUGH-OUT THE SUMMER MONTHS -- BUT ESPECIALLY ON RAINY DAYS.

September 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MEANWHILE, THE CUTS IN LANSING ARE ALREADY DEALING A HEAVY BLOW TO AREA ORGANIZATIONS THE NORTHERN MICHIGAN DIABETES OUTREACH NETWORK BASED IN CHARLEVOIX WILL BE PERMANENTLY CLOSING. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

EDUCATION

(including education standards, school safety, and alternative schools)

Local News

July 2, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WE GET A LOT OF EMAILS HERE AT THE STATION ASKING US FOR HELP FINDING ANSWERS. ONE RECENTLY CAUGHT OUR ATTENTION FROM A STUDENT ON HER WAY TO COLLEGE. SHE'S BUSY PLANNING HER FUTURE AND HOW SHE'S GOING TO PAY FOR IT, SO WHEN SHE HEARD LAWMAKERS HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO ELIMINATE THE MICHIGAN PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP, SHE WROTE US ASKING FOR ANSWERS. THAT'S THE SUBJECT OF TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 3, 2009

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

AIRCRAFT THAT WILL FLY IN TOMORROW'S NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL AIR SHOW ARE ON DISPLAY TONIGHT AT N-M-C. THE COLLEGE'S FIFTH ANNUAL FLY IN IS UNDERWAY RIGHT NOW. YOU CAN LEARN ABOUT N-M-C'S AVIATION PROGRAM AS WELL AS SEE THE PLANES AND MEET THE PILOTS WHO WILL FLY IN TOMORROW'S SHOW. A MEET AND GREET JUST GOT UNDERWAY AND CONTINUES UNTIL 8 TONIGHT. IT'S AT N-M-C'S AERO PARK CAMPUS ON AERO PARK DRIVE IN TRAVERSE CITY. FUNDS RAISED AT THE EVENT WILL BE DONATED TO SUPPORT THE AVIATION PROGRAM, PROVIDE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AND HELP PAY FOR THE CHERRY FESTIVAL AIR SHOW.

July 8, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WE'RE REPORTING IT ALL THE TIME...SCHOOL DISTRICTS HERE IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN LAYING OFF STAFF, CUTTING PROGRAMS, SLASHING THE BUDGET. SO WHEN A VIEWER GOT WORD THAT ONE AREA SCHOOL WAS BUCKING THE TREND..AND ACTAULLY HIRING STAFF NEXT YEAR, THEY CALLED ME...AND WONDERED HOW THEY WERE DOING IT.THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR HER IS THE SUBJECT OF TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.

July 13, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SUPERINTENDENT FEIL SAYS TONIGHT'S MEETING CENTERS AROUND A COMMUNICATION PLAN INVOLVING PARENTS, STAFF AND THE COMMUNITY. IT'S THE DISTRICT'S WAY OF TRYING TO WORK AROUND THE EXTREME DEFICIT FOR THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR, WITHOUT HAVING TO MAKE CUTS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A WEXFORD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FACES OVER A DOZEN STAFF CUTS INCLUDING ONE OF IT'S PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS.THE DECISION HAPPENED LAST NIGHT DURING A CADILLAC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.BOARD MEMBERS SUPPORTED A RESOLUTION TO CUT EIGHT TEACHERS AND NINE PARA-PROFESSIONALS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.THE BOARD ALSO DECIDED TO CUT THE GREAT START REDINESS PROGRAM, A PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT ALL FIVE CADILLAC PUBLIC ELEMENTARY

SCHOOLS 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS MORE ON THE IMPACT THE CUTS WILL HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

PRESIDENT OBAMA'S NEW EDUCATION INITIATIVES COME AT A TIME WHEN MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE TURNING TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES AS THEIR MAIN SOURCE OF EDUCATION.YESTERDAY THE PRESIDENT UNVEILED A PLAN TO INVEST BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN COMMUNITY COLLEGES ACROSS THE NATION. THE PRESIDENT OF N--M--C SAYS THE NEW PROPOSAL RECOGNIZES THE ROLE THAT COMMUNITY COLLEGES PLAY WITHIN INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITIES AND IN THE FUTURE OF THE NATION.HE SAYS THE INITIATIVE WILL HELP THE COLLEGE CONTINUE TO IMPROVE AND EXPAND PROGRAMS BEING OFFERED--- AND AT A CRITICAL TIME.

July 15, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pM

Duration :30

THE PRESIDENT OF NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE SAYS THE NEW PROPOSAL RECOGNIZES THE VITAL ROLE THAT COMMUNITY COLLEGES PLAY WITHIN INDIVIDUAL REGIONS AND IN THE FUTURE OF THE NATION.THE COLLEGE SAYS THE FUNDS WOULD HELP FUND FUTURE PROGRAMS ALREADY IN THE WORKS.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 16, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pM

Duration :30

STATE LAWMAKERS ARE NOW BACK IN LANSING AFTER THEIR 4TH OF JULY BREAK AND THE BUDGET IS JOB NUMBER ONE AS THEY TRY TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO MAKE ENDS MEET. WE'VE TOLD YOU ABOUT SOME OF THE PROPOSED CUTS INCLUDING CUTS TO K-12 AND HIGHER EDUCATION, BUT THERE ARE ALSO HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN PROPOSED CUTS THAT WOULD AFFECT EVEN YOUNGER KIDS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHICH COULD HAVE EVEN LONGER LASTING CONSEQUENCES. IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT, WE TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT WHAT'S AT STAKE.

July 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pM

Duration :30

IF YOU'VE DRIVEN BY WEST JUNOIR HIGH SCHOOL IN TRAVERSE CITY RECENTLY ITS HARD NOT TO BE IMPRESSED WITH THE SIZE AND SCOPE OF THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT THAT'S UNDERWAY. IT'S A COMPLETE, AND EXPENSIVE OVERHAUL OF THE PARKING LOTS AND ACCESS ROADS.VIEWERS CONTACTED ME WONDERING HOW THIS DISTRICT THAT IS BATTLING THE BUDGET CAN AFFORD THIS?THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR THEM ARE THE SUBJECT OF TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.

July 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pM

Duration :30

A CHERRY FESTIVAL EVENT RAISES MORE THAN 11-HUNDRED DOLLARS TO HELP A YOUTH AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE. THE 'KIDS MAKE, BAKE AND TAKE' EVENT WAS HELD BY THE GRAND TRAVERSE PIE COMPANY. KIDS GOT TO LEARN HOW TO MAKE THEIR OWN CHERRY PIE.

August 6, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pM

Duration :30

A TRAVERSE CITY HIGHSCHOOL STUDENT IS TAKING HIS LOVE OF FLYING AND TURNING IT INTO RELIEF FOR OTHERS. IT'S CALLED THE SKY HIGH HOPE PROGRAM AND ITS HELPING PATIENTS RECEIVE A MUCH NEEDED BREAK FROM THEIR

TREATMENTS.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS MORE IN THIS MONTHS EXCLUSIVE YOUR TOWN HERO REPORT.

August 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN A ROUGH ECONOMY, MANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE FACING BLEAK BUDGETS. BUT SOME DISTRICTS SAY IT'S THIS VERY SAME ROUGH ECONOMY THAT'S ALLOWING THEM IN SOME WAYS TO STRETCH THEIR DOLLARS EVEN FURTHER. NEARLY 400-THOUSAND-DOLLARS IN UPGRADES ARE GOING ON RIGHT NOW AT GAYLORD HIGH SCHOOL.

August 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE AREA'S LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CALLING BACK MORE THAN A DOZEN STAFF MEMBERS WHO WERE LAID OFF EARLIER THIS YEAR. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES FOR TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS TELLS US THAT 8 TEACHERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CALLED TO COME BACK. AT LEAST 9 TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEES WILL ALSO BE BACK TO WORK THIS FALL. WE'RE TOLD SOME POSITIONS OPENED UP AS OTHER EMPLOYEES LEFT. THE REST WERE RECALLED BECAUSE PROJECTED ENROLLMENT NUMBERS SHOW A LARGE STUDENT BODY FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.

August 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN A ROUGH ECONOMY, MANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE FACING BLEAK BUDGETS. BUT SOME DISTRICTS SAY IT'S THIS VERY SAME ROUGH ECONOMY THAT'S ALLOWING THEM IN SOME WAYS TO STRETCH THEIR DOLLARS EVEN FURTHER. NEARLY 400-THOUSAND-DOLLARS IN UPGRADES ARE GOING ON RIGHT NOW AT GAYLORD HIGH SCHOOL.THIS PROJECT WAS NEVER ON THE ORIGINAL LIST OF IMPROVEMENTS WHEN A TEN YEAR SINKING FUND WAS APPROVED BUT, WHEN BIDS STARTING ROLLING IN FOR THOSE ORIGINAL PROJECTS, DISTRICT LEADERS SAY THE BIDS WERE ALL WELL BELOW ORIGINAL ESTIMATES.THOSE SAVINGS ALLOWED THE DISTRICT TO EXPAND ON THEIR IMPROVEMENTS AND GET MORE WORK FOR THEIR MONEY.

August 25, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

STUDENTS AT TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL SEE COME CHANGES TO THEIR BUS ROUTES THIS YEAR. THE SCHOOL IS FACING SIGNIFICANT FUNDING REDUCTIONS FROM THE STATE. TO HELP -- T-CAPS BOARD SAYS TRANSPORTATION NEEDS TO CUT A HALF MILLION DOLLARS FROM ITS OPERATING COSTS THIS YEAR.

August 25, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN AREA ROTARY CLUB IS MAKING SURE THAT STUDENTS HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL WITH ALL OF THEIR NEEDED SUPPLIES.THE TRAVERSE BAY SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB IS HOLDING ITS ANNUAL "STUFF A BOOK-BAG PROJECT" TONIGHT AT OAK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

August 26, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER...IT'S BEEN SAID THAT SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO SPEND MONEY IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY..WELL THE STATE OF MICHIGAN IS AT ONE OF THOSE POINTS...AND CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS SAVE AND SPEND TEETER TOTTER ARE AT RISK TEENAGERS TRYING TO TURN THEIR LIVES AROUND AT THE MICHIGAN YOUTH CHALLENGE ACADEMY A MOTHER OF ONE OF THOSE YOUNG MEN CALLED ME AND WANTED TO KNOW WHY THE PROGRAM MAY BE SHUT DOWN.

THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR HER IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

August 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS ARE HOPING THEIR GAME THIS SUNDAY WILL BE A HOME-RUN FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT. THE BUMS TAKE ON THE LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS AT 5:05 ON SUNDAY -- BUT BEFORE THE FIRST PITCH IT'LL BE KIDS TAKING TO THE FIELD.

August 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WORK WILL BEGIN MONDAY ON FIGURING OUT WAYS TO SAVE MONEY WITHIN TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS. A 19 MEMBER TASK FORCE WILL MEET TO START DISCUSSIONS ON WAYS TO CUT SIX MILLION DOLLARS FROM TCAPS BUDGET FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. TCAPS LEADERS ARE PREDICTING THE SHORTFALL DUE TO EXPECTED DECLINES IN ENROLLMENT AND STATE FUNDING.

August 31, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WORK WILL BEGIN TONIGHT ON FIGURING OUT WAYS TO SAVE MONEY WITHIN TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS. A 19 MEMBER TASK FORCE WILL MEET TO START DISCUSSIONS ON WAYS TO CUT SIX MILLION DOLLARS FROM TCAPS BUDGET FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. TCAPS LEADERS ARE PREDICTING THE SHORTFALL DUE TO EXPECTED DECLINES IN ENROLLMENT AND STATE FUNDING.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SUMMER VACATION ISN'T OVER YET, BUT ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ALL A BUZZ ABOUT THE NEXT VACATION. THE PETOSKEY SCHOOL BOARD RECENTLY RECOMMENDED TO RE-NAME ITS "WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK" TO "CHRISTMAS BREAK." THAT HAS A LOT OF PEOPLE ASKING WHAT'S RIGHT, AND PROMPTED A VIEWER TO ASK WHAT'S LEGAL. THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WORK BEGINS ON FIGURING OUT WAYS TO SAVE MONEY WITHIN TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS. A 19 MEMBER TASK FORCE MET LAST NIGHT TO START DISCUSSIONS ON WAYS TO CUT SIX MILLION DOLLARS FROM T-CAPS BUDGET FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE TELLS US THAT A LOT OF QUESTIONS CAME UP ABOUT THE MINIMAL SERVICES THE DISTRICT HAS TO PROVIDE. DISTRICT LEADERS ARE PREDICTING THE SHORTFALL DUE TO EXPECTED DECLINES IN ENROLLMENT AND STATE FUNDING. THE TASK FORCES' BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE DECEMBER 14-TH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS DIRECTOR SAYS ENROLLMENT IS UP 12-PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR AT THIS TIME. HE SAYS IT'S A COMBINATION OF TRADITIONAL STUDENTS AND THOSE RETURNING TO SCHOOL BECAUSE OF JOB LOSSES OR CAREER CHANGES. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS BEHIND THE ENROLLMENT TREND.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT MAY BE HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT IT'S ALREADY BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIME. THE CRUNCH IS ON FOR THE FINAL PREPARATIONS THROUGHOUT NORTHERN MICHIGAN INCLUDING AT CHARLEVOIX MIDDLE SCHOOL COME NEXT WEEK STUDENTS WILL BE SEEING A FEW CHANGES THE DISTRICT HAS UPGRADED EVERY CLASSROOM TO INCLUDE THESE NEW HIGH-TECH 'SMART BOARDS'.

September 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A STATE REPORT CARD RELEASED TODAY HAS MOSTLY GOOD NEWS FOR TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THE ANNUAL REPORT SHOWS IF SCHOOLS ARE MEETING FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. ALL BUT ONE OF T-CAPS SCHOOLS AT THE ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL LEVELS MET THE ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS MEASURES CALLED A-Y-P. A-Y-P IS THE MINIMUM LEVEL OF IMPROVEMENT THAT SCHOOLS MUST ACHIEVE EACH YEAR IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS AND MATHEMATICS.

September 8, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AS A NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS COMMUNICATION IS A TOP PRIORITY FOR THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT.LAST YEAR THE DISTRICT IMPLEMENTED A NEW AUTOMATED SERVICE TO HELP KEEP PARENTS UP TO DATE WITH SCHOOL RELATED NEWS.SINCE THEN SOME CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE SYSTEM.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS THE DETAILS.

September 9, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AFTER BEING CLOSED FOR MORE THAN A YEAR -- A TRAVERSE CITY AREA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS RE-OPENING ITS DOORS. CHERRY KNOLL ELEMENTARY ON THREE MILE ROAD WAS CLOSED DOWN LAST YEAR FOR A RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. WHILE WORK WAS UNDERWAY STUDENTS ATTENDED SCHOOL AT SABIN ELEMENTARY. NOW IT'S BACK TO CHERRY KNOLL.

September 11, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MOST PEOPLE WILL NEVER FORGET WHERE THEY WERE WHEN THE HORRIFIC EVENTS OF SEPTEMBER 11TH TOOK PLACE.NOW EIGHT YEARS LATER PEOPLE ARE STILL TAKING THE TIME TO REMEMBER. 7TH AND 8TH GRADE BROADCAST STUDENTS AT EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL IN TRAVERSE CITY CREATED A COMMEMORATIVE VIDEO. THE VIDEO WAS BROADCASTED THROUGHOUT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL THIS MORNING. MOST OF THE STUDENTS WERE TOO YOUNG TO REMEMBER THE NINE-ELEVEN TRAGEDIES SO THE VIDEO HELPS THEM SEE THE EVENT THROUGH VISUALS AND FACTS.

September 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER.ASK ANY EDUCATOR, THEY WILL TELL YOU, A HUNGRY CHILD IS *NOT* AN EASY CHILD TO TEACH. THESE DAYS, MORE AND MORE HUNGRY CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE TURNING TO FREE OR REDUCED COST LUNCH PROGRAMS AT THEIR SCHOOLS. ONE OF OUR VIEWERS, AFTER RECIEVING THIS PACKET FROM TCAPS, HEARD THAT SIGNING UP FOR the PROGRAM MIGHT HAVE BIG BENEFITS FAR BEYOND THE CAFETERIA....SHE HAD QUESTIONS... THE ANSWER I FOUND FOR HER IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

September 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ONE OF THE HOT TOPICS RECENTLY IN OUR FACT FINDER SEGMENT WAS THE DEBATE ABOUT WHAT TO CALL THE SCHOOL BREAK AT THE END OF DECEMBER. I TOLD YOU HOW THE PETOSKEY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD WAS CONSIDERING CHANGING THE NAME OF ITS BREAK FROM WINTER TO CHRISTMAS BREAK, AND HOW LEGALLY THEY COULD. DOZENS OF YOU WROTE IN WITH STRONG OPINIONS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ISSUE. BUT SINCE THAT STORY AIRED THERE'S BEEN A NEW DEVELOPMENT AND WE HAVE AN UPDATE IN THIS FACT FINDER FOLLOW UP.

September 21, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

LAW MAKERS IN LANSING ARE AGAIN AT WORK TRYING TO HAMMER OUT THE STATE'S BUDGET BEFORE THE OCTOBER FIRST DEADLINE. MEANWHILE THE DELAY FROM LANSING IS CREATING MANY CHALLENGES FOR LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT RELY SO MUCH ON STATE FUNDING. HERE'S SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL TO EXPLAIN.

September 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

NEWS TONIGHT FROM LANSING -- A BIPARTISAN MICHIGAN CONFERENCE COMMITTEE HAS VOTED TO CUT FUNDING FOR K-12 SCHOOLS BY 218 DOLLARS PER STUDENT. THE ACTION SETS THE STAGE FOR A VOTE IN THE FULL LEGISLATURE SOMETIME THIS WEEK. INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WOULD SEE THEIR FUNDING REDUCED BY 44 PERCENT UNDER THE SCHOOL AID BUDGET STARTING OCTOBER FIRST.

September 23, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

THE NEWS BROKE LATE THIS AFTERNOON--LEAVING MANY SCHOOL LEADERS IN A STATE OF SHOCK. IF PASSED---- THE SLASH IN FUNDING COULD MEAN SOME TOUGH DECISIONS AHEAD FOR DISTRICTS ACROSS THE STATE AND REGION. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

September 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

EDUCATION IS ANOTHER ISSUE THAT'S HEATING UP WITH THE APPROACHING STATE BUDGET DEADLINE. YESTERDAY, A BI-PARTISAN COMMITTEE VOTED TO DRASTICALLY CUT FUNDING FOR K-12 SCHOOLS. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH SPOKE WITH NORTHERN MICHIGAN SUPERINTENDENTS AND HAS THEIR REACTION ON THE POTENTIAL CUTS.

September 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

GONE...BUT NOT FORGOTTEN. THANKS TO A NEW INITIATIVE IN WASHINGTON D-C, IN PART WITH HELP FROM TWO NORTHERN MICHIGAN STUDENTS, THE NAMES OF OUR FALLEN HEROES WILL SOON BE JOINED WITH THEIR FACES AND STORIES TOO.

SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

September 28, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TO SAVE MONEY -- NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE IS CONSIDERING DEMOLISHING PART OF A STUDENT HOUSING COMPLEX. N-M-C LEADERS SAY WEST HALL WAS BUILT IN THE 60'S AND IS IN VIOLATION OF SEVERAL BUILDING CODES AND HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY REGULATIONS. BOTH HOUSING WINGS WERE CLOSED LAST YEAR. THE SCHOOLS DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS SERVICES SAYS IT WOULD COST AROUND 600-THOUSAND DOLLARS TO RE-MODEL THE DORM. HE SAYS TEARING IT DOWN IS CHEAPER-- AND IT SHOULDN'T IMPACT STUDENTS.

September 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER... LET'S FACE IT, YOU CAN'T PUT A PRICE TAG ON A CHILD...BUT THE STATE OF MICHIGAN CAN PUT A VALUE ON THEM, AND THAT VALUE COULD HAVE A LASTING IMPACT IN THE CLASSROOM. THE REASON WHY IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

September 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A WEXFORD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS SEARCHING FOR A NEW LEADER, AFTER SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND ITS CURRENT SUPERINTENDENT AGREE TO PART WAYS. DENNIS STRATTON WAS GOING ON HIS FIFTH YEAR AS SUPERINTENDENT FOR MESICK CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS.FRED BOSS, MESICK HIGH SCHOOL'S PRINCIPAL WILL TAKE OVER THE DUTIES AS INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT DURING THE SEARCH FOR A REPLACEMENT. OFFICIALS SAY IT WAS A MUTUAL AGREEMENT AND THAT THE RESIGNATION IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

September 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

FOR A PARENT THEIR CHILD'S SAFETY IS A NUMBER ONE CONCERN. THAT'S WHY THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TAKING A CLOSE LOOK AT A PLAYGROUND THAT PARENTS SAY ISN'T SAFE FOR STUDENTS. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH SPOKE WITH PARENTS AND THE DISTRICT ABOUT THE ISSUE.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

CRIME & SAFETY

(Including crime prevention, alcohol and drug abuse, fire safety and police conduct)

Local News

July 1, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

DESPITE LAYOFFS AND MILEAGE RESTRICTIONS, THE STATE POLICE POST COMMANDER IN TRAVERSE CITY SAYS THERE WILL STILL BE A STRONG TROOPER PRESENCE OF THE ROADS OVER THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND.THE STATE POLICE WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE NATIONWIDE TRAFFIC SAFETY INITIATIVE CALLED OPERATION CARE.THAT MEANS THEY'LL ESPECIALLY BE OUT LOOKING FOR DRUNK DRIVERS.

July 2, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

THE COAST GUARD IS REMINDING BOATERS TO STAY SAFE THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND AFTER A LATE NIGHT RESCUE OUT ON THE WATER.FIVE PEOPLE WERE RESCUED IN MANISTEE COUNTY AFTER THEIR BOAT HIT THE BREAK WALL.IT HAPPENED JUST AFTER ELEVEN LAST NIGHT.ALL FIVE PEOPLE WERE RESCUED AND THE BOAT TOWED TO SHORE. THE COAST GUARD SAYS ALCOHOL AND SPEED PLAYED A ROLE IN THE CRASH.AND WITH THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND UPON US THE COAST GUARD WOULD LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE TO KEEP SAFETY IN MIND BEFORE HEADING OUT ON THE WATER. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 6, 2009

Time:11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

MORE THAN A DOZEN PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY FOR VARIOUS CRIMES---OFFICERS SAY MAJORITY OF THE ARRESTS HAVE BEEN ALCOHOL RELATED.AND DESPITE EFFORTS TO CONTROL PARKING DOWNTOWN--- POLICE HAVE BEEN HANDING OUT PARKING TICKETS LEFT AND RIGHT.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 7, 2009

Time:5:00-6:00pm

Duration :30

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN BOY SCOUT TROOP IS GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY. MEMBERS OF TROOP 2-29 IN TRAVERSE CITY PRESENTED SHERIFF TOM BENSLEY WITH THIS HEFTY CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.FOR MONTHS THE TROOP HAS BEEN COLLECTING MONEY TO PURCHASE A NEW BULLETPROOF VEST FOR THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S K-9 UNIT.TROOP MEMBERS SAY THEY'RE PROUD OF WHAT THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH.

July 8, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

POLICE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP TO FIND WHO MAY HAVE STARTED A FIRE THAT DESTROYED A CRAWFORD COUNTY MOTORCYCLE SHOP.THIS IS ALL THAT REMAINS OF HARLEY DAVE'S MOTORCYCLE CENTER IN FREDERIC.AROUND 7 A-M ON JUNE 28TH FIRE CREWS WERE CALLED OUT TO THE SHOP.MUCH OF THE BUILDING ALONG WITH SEVERAL MOTORCYCLES AND COUNTLESS EQUIPMENT INSIDE WAS ALREADY DESTROYED BY THE TIME FIRE CREWS ARRIVED. A SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION HAS TURNED UP LITTLE AS TO A CAUSE OF THE BLAZE. POLICE ARE NOW ASKING FOR YOUR HELP.

July 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE LEELANAU COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS INVESTIGATING SEVERAL ACTS OF VANDALISM THAT'S LEFT MORE THAN 30 MAILBOXES AND A PARK SIGN DESTROYED. THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE SAYS THE DESTRUCTION STARTED TUESDAY NIGHT IN LEELANAU TOWNSHIP NEAR NORTHPORT.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

July 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AS THE STATE TRIES TO BALANCE ITS BUDGET, MANY DEPARTMENTS ARE BEING ASKED TO MAKE CUTS AND DO WITHOUT. THAT INCLUDES THE STATE POLICE. OFFICERS ARE NOW LIMITED ON HOW MANY MILES THEY CAN DRIVE IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE GAS AND SAVE THE STATE MONEY. A VIEWER WANTED TO KNOW HOW TROOPERS ARE MEETING THESE NEW MILEAGE RESTRICTIONS AND STILL DOING THEIR JOBS.THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

July 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A LAWSUIT BETWEEN A GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY SHERIFF AND A LOCAL NEWSPAPER HAS BEEN DISMISSED.LAST AUGUST, THEN-SHERIFF SCOTT FEWINS SERVED THE TRAVERSE CITY RECORD EAGLE NEWSPAPER WITH A LAWSUIT FOR LIBEL - CLAIMING THE PAPER DEFAMED THE SHERIFF'S GOOD NAME.THE ORIGINAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED IN BENZIE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT. THE JUDGE DISMISSED THE CASE ON THURSDAY.FEWINS ATTORNEY, CHRISTOPHER COOKE, SAYS THE JUDGE RULED THAT IT COULDN'T BE PROVEN WHETHER THE AUTHOR OF A NEWS ARTICLE IN QUESTION ACTED WITH ACTUAL MALICE OR WRECKLESS DISREGARD

TOWARD THE SHERIFF.FEWINS' ATTORNEY SAYS THEY'VE HAVEN'T DECIDED WHETHER TO PURSUE THE ISSUE.

July 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IN A TIME WHEN BUDGETS ARE TIGHT A MORE THAN 350--THOUSAND DOLLAR GRANT IS MAKING SOME MUCH NEEDED UPGRADES POSSIBLE FOR KALKASKA COUNTY'S 9-1-1 DISPATCH CENTER.SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS THE DETAILS.

July 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

KALKASKA COUNTY'S COURTHOUSE IS ALSO RECEIVING SOME UPGRADES OF ITS OWN.LAST MONTH THE COUNTY BOARD APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF TWO METAL DETECTORS WHICH WILL BE USED INSIDE THE COURTHOUSE WHEN EVER COURT IS IN SESSION.THE UNITS----- WHICH WERE INSTALLED THURSDAY---ARE PORTABLE AND ARE SIMILAR TO THE SECURITY DEVICES USED AT AIRPORTS.THE COUNTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR SAYS THE DEVICES ARE A NECESSARY SAFETY MEASURE.

July 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A STATE TROOPER IN CHEBOYGAN COUNTY WILL SOON BE BACK ON THE JOB AFTER AN INCIDENT WHERE A DEER WAS SHOT WHILE THE MAN WAS ON DUTY. DON BOLEN ADMITTED TO BEING INVOLVED IN THE SHOOTING EARLIER THIS YEAR WITH FELLOW TROOPER JEFF HADLEY. IN FEBRUARY THE MEN RECEIVED SEVERAL DAYS IN JAIL ALONG WITH FINES AND COSTS.BOTH MEN REMAINED ON THE JOB UNTIL LAST MONTH WHEN THE DEPARTMENT DECIDED TO FIRE THEM.

July 24, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A DECISION IS EXPECTED TO COME SOON ON WHETHER OR NOT CHEBOYGAN COUNTY WILL PROVIDE POLICE SERVICES TO THE CITY THE IDEA HAS BEEN IN DISCUSSION FOR QUITE SOME TIME.WHILE THE FINAL DECISION WILL BE LEFT UP TO THE COUNCIL TO MAKE---THE COMMUNITY WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS.ON TUESDAY THE COUNCIL WILL MEET TO RELEASE THE FINDINGS OF A RECENT FINANCIAL STUDY OF THE POSSIBILITY OF ELIMINATING THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY ALTOGETHER.

July 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ALTHOUGH THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DID *NOT RECEIVE THE COPS FUNDS, THEY PLAN ON MAINTAINING THEIR OPERATIONS.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS WHERE THE MONEY WOULD HAVE GONE AND HOW THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE MAY HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE TO RECEIVE THE MONEY.

August 3, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE DESTRUCTION WAS DISCOVERED EARLY THIS MORNING AT MANCELONA HIGH SCHOOL AS SEVERAL STAFF MEMBERS MADE THEIR WAY INTO WORK. 2 SCHOOLS AND A NEIGHBORHOOD PARK WERE ALL TARGETED.POLICE ARE NOW ASKING FOR YOUR HELP TO I-D THE PAIR.

August 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE MEN FELL INTO THE WATER AFTER WAVES CAPSIZED THEIR BOAT. THEY STRUGGLED TO PUT LIFE JACKETS ON, BUT ONE OF THEM WAS UNABLE TO - - AND THAT WAS THE LAST TIME HE WAS SEEN.THE REMAINING THREE MEN HELD

ONTO THE BOAT THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, UNTIL ONE OF THEM WAS ABLE TO SWIM TO SHORE AND CALL FOR HELP. SEVEN AND FOUR'S MELISSA SMITH HAS THE DETAILS.

August 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

MANY ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES, EVEN FAMILIES ARE MAKING CUTS AND MAKING CHANGES TRYING TO MAKE ENDS MEET. THAT INCLUDES LAW ENFORCEMENT. IN A PREVIOUS FACT FINDER REPORT WE TOLD YOU ABOUT THE STATE POLICE MILEAGE RESTRICTIONS. THAT PROMPTED ONE VIEWER TO WRITE ASKING ABOUT HER LOCAL SHERIFF'S OFFICE. DEPUTIES THERE ARE ALLOWED TO TAKE PATROL CARS HOME. SHE THINKS IT'S A WASTE OF TAX PAYER'S MONEY, BUT OFFICIALS SAY IT'S NECESSARY FOR DEPUTIES TO RESPOND QUICKLY TO EMERGENCIES AND DETER CRIME. WE TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT WHY IN TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

August 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE CLEAN UP EFFORT IS ALMOST COMPLETE, RETURNING TWO ANTRIM COUNTY SCHOOLS BACK TO NORMAL. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

August 12, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT WAS 3 WEEKS AGO TONIGHT THAT A FIRE RACED THROUGH AN OTSEGO COUNTY APARTMENT COMPLEX LEAVING LITTLE BEHIND AND ITS RESIDENTS WITH NO PLACE TO GO. BUT AFTER TREMENDOUS SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY-- THOSE RESIDENTS ARE MOVING FORWARD. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS THE STORY.

August 12, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

YOU SEE A STOP SIGN... CHANCES ARE YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU ARE SUPPOSED DO. BUT ONE VIEWER CONTACTED ME, WONDERING IF ALL STOP SIGNS WERE IN FACT CREATED EQUALLY... AND IF SO, WHY ISN'T MORE BEING DONE TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE OBEYS THEM. THE ANSWERS I FOUND FOR HER THE SUBJECT OF THIS FACT FINDER.

August 14, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT HAPPENED AROUND 10--30 THIS MORNING AT MANCELONA MIDDLE SCHOOL. SEVERAL HOMES AND BUSINESSES-- INCLUDING A DAYCARE--- HAD TO BE EVACUATED. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS THE DETAILS.

August 15, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER TO SAY GOODBYE TO ONE OF THEIR OWN. BENZIE COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPUTIES FOUND THE BODY OF SERGEANT HOLBROOK AT HIS HOME ON DERBY LANE IN HOMESTEAD TOWNSHIP NEAR HONOR EARLY MONDAY MORNING. HOLBROOK'S WIFE JONI IS CHARGED WITH OPEN MURDER AFTER ADMITTING THAT SHE SHOT HIM. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER WAS AT TODAY'S MEMORIAL SERVICE AND HAS MORE.

August 18, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

POLICE IN EMMET COUNTY SAY THEY'RE CLOSER TO LEARNING JUST WHAT MAY HAVE CAUSED AN ACCIDENT LAST MONTH ON U-S 31 THAT TOOK THE LIVES OF FOUR PEOPLE MEANWHILE, COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE SPEAKING

OUT SAYING THE ROADWAY IS DANGEROUS AND IS DEMANDING SOMETHING BE DONE ABOUT IT SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

August 19, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

AN EARLY MORNING POLICE CHASE IN GAYLORD TURNED OUT TO BE QUITE A RIDE FOR POLICE AS THEY TRIED TO CATCH AN ALLEDGED CAR THIEF.SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL SHOWS US WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE FROM INSIDE THE CRUISER THROUGH THE LENS OF THE OFFICER'S DASH CAM.

August 20, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

FOUR YEARS AGO GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY SPENT ABOUT 2 MILLION DOLLARS TO EXPAND THE JAIL. SO A VIEWER WANTED TO KNOW WHY THERE'S ALREADY TALK OF EXPANDING IT AGAIN, OR EVEN BUILDING A NEW JAIL?THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT

August 26, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THAT NEARBY PLANT IS CONE DRIVE, A MANUFACTURING FACILITY JUST ACROSS FROM BOARDMAN LAKE.MORE THAN 60 YEARS AGO THE PLANT DUMPED WASTE THAT EVENTUALLY LEAKED INTO THE LAKE.IT WAS LATER DISCOVERED IN THE '70'S AND EVER SINCE THEN CLEANUP PROJECTS HAVE BEEN ONGOING.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS THE MOST RECENT ONE AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR THE AREA.

August 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

ENVIRONMENTALISTS AND AN ANTRIM COUNTY WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY ARE KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON A CONTAMINATED GROUNDWATER PLUME.THE PLUME STARTS IN THE AREA OF WHAT USED TO BE THE FORMER DURA AUTOMOTIVE PLANT IN MANCELONA AND IS TRAVELING SIX MILES NORTHWEST.ONE OF THE CONCERNS IS THAT IT'S HEADING TOWARDS ONE OF THE MAIN SOURCES OF DRINKING WATER.

August 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

JAIL OFFICIALS IN BENZIE COUNTY ARE LOOKING INTO HOW AN INMATE WAS ABLE TO HANG HIMSELF INSIDE OF HIS OWN CELL. DEPUTIES SAY THE BODY OF THE 49-YEAR-OLD INMATE WAS FOUND INSIDE OF HIS SINGLE-PERSON JAIL CELL FRIDAY AFTERNOON.CPR WAS ADMINISTERED AND THE MAN WAS TRANSPORTED TO A LOCAL HOSPITAL WHERE HE WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD.

August 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

BUDGET CUTS ARE LEADING TO FEWER PATROLS IN ONE NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY---NOW THE POLICE CHIEF IS WORKING TO MAKE UP THE SHORTFALL. TO HELP BRIDGE THE GAP, THE MANISTEE POLICE CHIEF IS TRYING TO ESTABLISH A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE TRIBAL POLICE--- BUT THE EFFORT IS COMING WITH SOME ROAD BLOCKS.

August 31, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

POLICE SAY SIMILAR CRIMES ARE ON THE RISE FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. AND DESPITE LIVING IN WHAT IS TYPICALLY SEEN AS A FAIRLY QUIET PLACE, POLICE SAY PEOPLE SHOULD STILL BE TAKING PRECAUTIONS AND LOCKING UP. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

CITY LEADERS IN MANISTEE ARE CALLING IT THE MOST TALKED ABOUT ISSUE TO HIT THE AREA IN QUITE SOME TIME---AND TONIGHT COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAD THEIR SAY.BUDGET CUTS HAVE HIT MANISTEE COUNTY HARD.NOW THE POLICE CHIEF IS TRYING TO MAKE UP THE SHORTFALL THROUGH AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LITTLE RIVER BAND TRIBAL POLICE.BUT THE IDEA IS BRINGING WITH IT SOME MIXED REVIEWS FROM BOTH THE COMMUNITY AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS MORE ON THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT ALONG WITH COMMUNITY REACTION.

September 2, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE CREW INCLUDES: FIREFIGHTERS, A DOZER BOSS AND INFORMATION OFFICERS WHO ARE HELPING WEST COAST CREWS.OTHER MEMBERS FROM THE HURON-MANISTEE NATIONAL FOREST OFFICE ARE PREPARED IF MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE CALLED IN. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS THEIR EFFORTS.

September 2, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S A DANGEROUS SCENARIO THAT NO EMERGENCY CREW WANTS TO FACE -- BUT FIRE-CREWS AT CHERRY CAPITAL AIRPORT WANT TO BE READY JUST IN CASE. TODAY WAS TRAVERSE CITY FIRE'S ANNUAL HOT DRILL TRAINING. EACH YEAR THE F-A-A REQUIRES FIREFIGHTERS WHO WORK AT THE AIRPORT TO GO THROUGH CLASSES ON THE LATEST TRAINING TECHNIQUES AND TAKE PART IN MOCK-RESCUES. THE PLANE YOU SEE BURNING IS NOT A REAL PLANE -- BUT A SIMULATOR THAT PUTS OUT SMOKE AND USES LIQUID PROPANE TO CREATE CONTROLLED FIRES.

September 2, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IF YOU'VE EVER WONDERED WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE TO SERVE IN THE U-S COAST GUARD, WELL NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.FRIDAY, THE COAST GUARD AUXILLARY STATION IN CHARLEVOIX WILL BE HOSTING AN OPEN HOUSE WHERE THE PUBLIC CAN COME OUT TO EXPLORE VARIOUS VESSELS AND LEARN FIRST HAND WHAT IT TAKES TO GET THE JOB DONE.

September 2, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT WAS A BIG HONOR FOR A TEN YEAR OLD GIRL TODAY IN SAULT SAINT MARIE. TROOPERS FROM THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE POST THERE HONORED KAYLA RAMBO THIS MORNING WITH A DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN AWARD.THIS SUMMER, KAYLA HELPED SAVE THE LIFE OF A FIVE YEAR OLD BOY AFTER HE FELL INTO 8 FEET OF WATER. THIS HAPPENED JULY FOURTH ON A BOAT SLIP IN THE VILLAGE OF DETOUR.

September 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A MUTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN CHARLEVOIX--- ANTRIM--- AND THE GRAND TRAVERSE AREA IS MADE OFFICIAL TODAY.

THE CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.
IT INCLUDED DEPUTIES FROM BOTH CHARLEVOIX AND ANTRIM COUNTIES ALONG
WITH THE GRAND TRAVERSE TRIBE'S LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY.

September 9, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WHEN AN ACCIDENT HAPPENS -- A CAR SEAT CAN SAVE YOUR CHILD'S LIFE.
BUT IF YOU INSTALL IT WRONG... IT COULD BE A FATAL MISTAKE. TO HELP MAKE SURE
THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN.. THE GRAND TRAVERSE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND SAFE KIDS NORTH
SHORE ARE STEPPING IN WITH PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE. A GROUP OF CERTIFIED CHILD
PASSENGER SAFETY TECHNICIANS WILL BE AT THE MEIJER IN TRAVERSE CITY THIS
WEEKEND. THEY WILL SHOW YOU EXACTLY HOW TO INSTALL YOUR SPECIFIC MODEL OF CAR
SEAT OR BOOSTER SEAT, AND HOW TO STRAP YOUR CHILD IN.

September 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

RESIDENTS IN ONE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY COMMUNITY ARE SPEAKING OUT ABOUT
A STRETCH OF HIGHWAY THEY SAY IS *NOT SAFE FOR DRIVERS. THE GRAND
TRAVERSE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS INVESTIGATING ONE ACCIDENT THAT
HAPPENED TUESDAY ON HIGHWAY 113 IN KINGSLEY.THAT ACCIDENT CLAIMED THE
LIFE OF A 93-YEAR OLD KINGSLEY WOMAN.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH SPOKE WITH
RESIDENTS ABOUT THEIR CONCERNS AND WHAT THEY THINK NEEDS TO BE DONE TO
MAKE THE ROADWAY SAFER.

September 11, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TODAY IS SEPTEMBER 11TH - AND THIS MARKS THE 8TH ANNIVERSARY SINCE THE
TERRORIST ATTACKS ON AMERICAN SOIL.MUCH OF THE WORLD HAS CHANGED SINCE
THEN - AND NATIONAL SECURITY HAS TAKEN A RENEWED FOCUS.AS 7 &4'S BILL
FROEHLICH REPORTS, THAT'S ESPECIALLY TRUE AT THE UNITED STATES COAST
GUARD.

September 16, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SHE SAYS IT'S DIFFICULT FOR PEOPLE TO TURN ONTO M-72 FROM BAY STREET
AND SOMETIMES TRAFFIC BECOMES SO BACKED UP THAT ONLY A FEW DRIVERS CAN
MAKE THE TURN 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH SPOKE WITH M-DOT ABOUT THE VIEWER'S
CONCERNS AND MAINTAINING SAFETY AT THE INTERSECTION.

September 17, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A GRANT BEING AWARDED TO THE THIRD LEVEL CRISIS CENTER IS MAKING IT
EASIER FOR THEM TO HELP KIDS. THIS SUNDAY A 4-THOUSAND DOLLAR CHECK
WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE CENTER FROM THE "@ 15 COMMUNITY GRANTS
PROGRAM" IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE TRAVERSE CITY BEST BUY STORE. THE
FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT HELP AREA YOUTH EXCEL IN
SCHOOL -- AND BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY.

September 18, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

POLICE IN EMMET COUNTY SAY THEY'RE CLOSER TO LEARNING JUST WHAT MAY
HAVE CAUSED AN ACCIDENT LAST MONTH ON U-S 31 THAT TOOK THE LIVES OF
FOUR PEOPLE.MEANWHILE, COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE SPEAKING OUT SAYING THE
ROADWAY IS DANGEROUS AND IS DEMANDING SOMETHING BE DONE ABOUT IT.SEVEN
AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE.

September 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

DRIVERS IN EMMET COUNTY ARE GETTING A LOOK AT JUST HOW SAFE THEIR ROADWAYS ARE.THE FINDINGS WERE RELEASED IN A NEW STUDY FROM M-DOT AND THE EMMET COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION. THE RESEARCH IS ALSO PROVIDING SOLUTIONS TO HELP MAKE THE ROADS EVEN SAFER.HERE'S SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL WITH A CLOSER LOOK.

September 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THERE ARE A LOT OF ROADS IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN THAT NEED A LOT OF WORK. BUT A VIEWER WROTE IN ASKING ABOUT SOME ROAD CONSTRUCTION ALONG HER DAILY DRIVE. SHE SAYS THE ROAD SEEMS FINE, SO WHY ARE CREWS RIPPING UP THE ASPHALT? THE ANSWER IS TONIGHT'S FACT FINDER REPORT.

September 23, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

SEVERAL QUESTIONS SURROUNDING THE DENNIS MIKKO CASE INCLUDE: WHY SOMEONE WHO WORKED WITH CHILD CASES COULD BE INVOLVED WITH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAMILY COURT SYSTEM. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH SPOKE WITH A PSYCHOLOGIST ABOUT THESE ISSUES.

September 25, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

NEW INFORMATION TONIGHT IN THE SHOOTING DEATH OF A MICHIGAN STATE POLICE SERGEANT. THIS REPORT OBTAINED BY 7&4 NEWS REVEALS MICHIGAN POLICE SERGEANT MELVIN HOLBROOK'S EX--WIFE---SHOT AT HIM TWICE IN 1987. NO ONE WAS HURT IN THE 1987 SHOOTING AND ACCORDING TO THE REPORT THE SERGEANT DID NOT WANT TO PRESS CHARGES.

September 29, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A COAST GUARD HELICOPTER FLYING BY AND WONDERED WHAT EXACTLY IT IS THEY ARE DOING?NOW YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO FIND OUT FIRST HAND. COAST GUARD AIR STATION TRAVERSE CITY IS INVITING YOU TO COME OUT AND TOUR THEIR OPERATION. THEY ARE HOLDING AN OPEN HOUSE FOR THE COMMUNITY THIS WEEKEND.YOU CAN CHECK OUT THE EQUIPMENT THEY USE INCLUDING THEIR HELICOPTER AND SEE A LIVE SEARCH AND RECUSE DEMONSTRATION. YOU ALSO HAVE THE CHANCE TO MEET THE CREW.

September 30, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE SO-CALLED HIGH QUALITY MARIJUANA WAS DISCOVERED IN A DENSELY WOODED AREA OF STATE LAND IN BENZIE COUNTY'S WELDON TOWNSHIP.SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL HAS MORE ON THE BUST AND WHY POLICE SAY A HUNTER WAS A KEY IN THE CASE.

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/DEVELOPMENT

(Including volunteerism, blood drives, revitalizing neighborhoods and mentoring)

Local News

July 2, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

WITH A STRUGGLING ECONOMY MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE TURNING TO FOOD PANTRIES FOR HELP. BARBARA AND ARNIE ZEITS (ZITES) RUN THE NORTHPORT FOOD PANTRY IN LEELANAU COUNTY. FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS THE COUPLE HAS LITERALLY TURNED THEIR LIVES UPSIDE DOWN TO KEEP UP WITH THE GROWING NEED IN THE COMMUNITY. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER HAS MORE IN THIS MONTH'S EXCLUSIVE YOUR TOWN HERO REPORT.

July 5, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

PARKING IS OFTEN A PROBLEM AROUND THE NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL - WHEN 10 THOUSAND OR MORE VISITORS HEAD TO THE OPEN SPACE. ONE PLACE YOU CAN TRY TO FIND A PARKING SPOT IS RIGHT OFF THE PARKWAY - ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE VOLLEYBALL COURT IT'S THE HARBOUR VIEW LOT - AND THIS YEAR IT'S MANNED BY VOLUNTEERS FROM THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAY YMCA. IT'S A FUNDRAISER FOR THE "Y" - AND THEY'RE RAISING MONEY TO HELP WITH SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR TRAVERSE CITY AREA RESIDENTS.

July 7, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE FESTIVITIES INCLUDE NATIVE AMERICAN DISPLAYS FOR PEOPLE TO LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORIC CULTURE. THERE WAS ALSO A TWO HOUR POW-WOW TO START THE DAY OFF WHICH BROUGHT OUT CROWDS IN THE HUNDREDS. 7&4'S MELISSA SMITH IS LIVE AT THE OPEN SPACE WHERE "HERITAGE DAY" IS TAKING PLACE AND ALL OF THE OTHER FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES... MELISSA HOW ARE THINGS GOING OUT THERE?

July 8, 2009

Time: 11:00-11:35pm

Duration :30

A DOWNSTATE FAMILY IS WORKING TO FULFILL THEIR SON'S DREAM---BY GIVING BACK TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO DEFEND OUR FREEDOM. IT'S ON A 12--ACRE PIECE OF LAND ON ORCHARD LAKE THAT THE BLUMBERG FAMILY IS HOPING TO HONOR THEIR SON, AND THE SERVICE OF OTHER SOLDIERS WHO ARE SERVING OUR COUNTRY. SERGEANT TREVOR BLUMBERG WAS KILLED WHILE SERVING HIS COUNTRY IN SEPTEMBER OF 2003. DURING THE FAMILY'S LAST VISIT HE ASKED FOR TWO SPECIAL REQUESTS---ONE THAT THE FAMILY HOPES WILL HELP CHANGE THE LIVES OF SOLDIERS FROM ALL OVER. SEVEN AND FOUR'S COURTNEY REHMER REPORTS.

July 9, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE CHERRY FESTIVAL IS USUALLY A COLORFUL EVENT, BUT THIS YEAR GREEN WILL BE STANDING OUT MORE THAN EVER. RENEWABLE ENERGY, RECYCLING, AND CONSERVATION WILL BE IN THE SPOTLIGHT TOMORROW. AS PART OF OUR GO GREEN SERIES, 7&4'S JAYNE SMITH HAS A PREVIEW OF D-T-E GREEN DAY.

July 11, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE CHERRY FESTIVAL IS AN EIGHT DAY EVENT - BUT IT TAKES MANY MORE DAYS OF PLANNING AND THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF EFFORT. THAT TEAM EFFORT IS A SUCCESS - IN LARGE PART - TO ALL OF THE FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS. HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEER "AMBASSADORS" PUT IN 35-THOUSAND HOURS OF WORK FOR THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL. WHETHER THEY'RE GREETING VISITORS AND PASSING OUT MAPS AT THE MAIN GATES OR WORKING AT THE SOUVENIR TENT - VOLUNTEERS START AS YOUNG AS AGE 12 TO GIVE THEIR TIME TO THE TRAVERSE CITY TRADITION.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THIS WEEKEND YOU CAN HELP KEEP MICHIGAN KIDS HEALTHY AND SAFE. A KID'S HEALTH AND SAFETY FAIR IS BEING HELD ON SATURDAY AT MICHIGAN COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTERS IN TRAVERSE CITY. YOU CAN GET A FREE CAR SEAT SCREENING, FREE CHILD IDENTIFICATION CARDS, FREE BLOOD SCREENINGS AND OF COURSE... PLAY GAMES.

July 14, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN OF THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND OF OTTAWA AND CHIPPEWA INDIANS, DEREK BAILEY IS TALKING TODAY ABOUT HIS ONCE IN A LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT OBAMA. IN FACT HE GOT A PRESIDENTIAL SHOUT - OUT DURING HIS VISIT TO MACOMB COUNTY.

July 15, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A TRADITIONAL FATHER FRED FOUNDATION EVENT IS COMING UP THIS WEEKEND ALL FOR A SPECIAL PURPOSE...THIS SUNDAY FOUR TO FIVE HUNDRED MOTORCYCLISTS WILL BE GEARING UP FOR THE ANNUAL HARLEY OWNERS "RIDE FOR FATHER FRED." IT'S THE 18TH YEAR FOR THE FUNDRAISER THAT AIMS TO RAISE MONEY FOR FOOD AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES IN NEED. LAST YEAR THE EVENT RAISED MORE THAN 20-THOUSAND DOLLARS AND THIS YEAR ORGANIZERS ARE AIMING TO BEAT THAT AMOUNT.

July 20, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

HELPING PEOPLE IN NEED IS NOW EASIER FOR A NORTHERN MICHIGAN NON-PROFIT. THE FATHER FRED FOUNDATION HELD AN OPEN HOUSE AND RIBBON CUTTING DEDICATION THIS MORNING TO SHOW OFF THEIR RECENTLY RENOVATED OFFICES. VOLUNTEERS WERE ON HAND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE DAILY WORK OF FATHER FRED.

July 23, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A LACK OF RENTER'S INSURANCE JUST ONE OF THE PROBLEMS MANY OF THOSE RESIDENTS ARE FACING .AND THE ENTIRE SITUATION IS ALSO PUTTING ADDED STRESS ON THE SERVICE AGENCIES TRYING TO HELP. 7 & 4'S BILL FROEHLICH CONTINUES OUR TEAM COVERAGE IN GAYLORD TONIGHT - HE JOINS US LIVE WITH MORE. BILL?

July 29, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S A GROWING PROBLEM ACROSS NORTHERN MICHIGAN. IN OTSEGO COUNTY, NEW FUNDING IS GOING TO HELP PROVIDE A LONG TERM SOLUTION TO HOMELESSNESS. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

July 31, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A MAN IS ALIVE TONIGHT THANKS TO THE UNLIKELY ACTION OF A GROUP OF TEENS AND THEIR SHIP'S CAPTAIN. SEVEN AND FOUR'S GREG ANGEL EXPLAINS.

August 5, 2009

Time: 6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

LOCAL REALTORS THROUGHOUT THE FIVE COUNTY AREA ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP A LOCAL FOOD PANTRY IN DIRE NEED.THE SUMMER SEASON IS CREATING A DESPERATE SITUATION FOR THE GOODWILL INN IN TRAVERSE CITY.

August 7, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A COMMUNITY IS COMING TOGETHER TO HONOR A FALLEN SOLIDER AND CREATE A MONUMENT IN HIS MEMORY.PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN BISHOP DIED WHILE SERVING IN IRAQ IN APRIL 2008.7&4'S MELISSA SMITH EXPLAINS HOW FAMILY AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE SPECIAL TRIBUTE.

August 9, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

TODAY LARGE CROWDS OF RIDERS HIT THE PAVEMENT FOR AN EVENT IN GAYLORD ALL TO RAISE MONEY FOR A SPECIAL MILITARY TRIBUTE.PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN BISHOP OF GAYLORD WAS KILLED IN IRAQ IN APRIL 2008.TODAY, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAME OUT FOR A HARLEY RIDE TO HELP RAISE 5-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR A FALLEN SOLDIERS MOMUMENT. THE HARLEY RIDE STARTED IN GAYLORD AND WENT UP TO MACKINAW RETURNING BACK DOWN TO GAYLORD.ALL DONATIONS RAISED FROM THE RIDE GO TOWARDS THE MONUMENT THAT'S DEDICATED TO HONOR PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BISHOP AND OTHER SOLDIERS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES WHILE SERVING OUR COUNTRY.

August 27, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

IT'S MORE THAN JUST A BRIDGE ... IT'S A SYMBOL OF THE GREATNESS OF OUR STATE. THAT'S ONE LOCAL WOMAN'S MESSAGE. JESSICA KERFOOT OF TRAVERSE CITY PLANS RUN ACROSS THE MIGHTY MAC THIS LABOR DAY. HER RUN WILL PROVIDE MORE THAN JUST GOOD EXERCISE -- SHE IS RAISING MONEY TO HELP KEEP STRUGGLING FAMILIES ON THEIR FEET.

September 1, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

14 LOCAL BANDS ARE COMING TOGETHER TO "ROCK FOR A REASON".THE MUSIC FESTIVAL HOSTED BY NORTHERN MICHIGAN ROCK-BAND "CALLOUS" WILL BE HELD THIS WEEKEND AT THE TERMINAL. THERE WILL BE A VARIETY OF SOUNDS INCLUDING HEAVY METAL, MODERN AND CLASSIC ROCK, EASY LISTENING AN OZZY OSBOURNE TRIBUTE BAND, AND MORE. MONEY RAISED WILL BENEFIT TWO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS -- THE AMERICAN RED CROSS OF NORTHWEST MICHIGAN AND THE LOCAL V-F-W MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

September 4, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A HELPING HAND AGENCY THAT MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR PEOPLE TO GET TO AND FROM THEIR MEDICAL TREATMENTS IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS WEEKEND.WINGS OF MERCY IS A NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES FREE MEDICAL AIRPLANE FARE TO QUALIFIED PATIENTS THROUGHOUT THE MIDWEST.WINGS OF MERCY EASTERN MICHIGAN WAS FORMED IN 1996 AND IS FUNDED ENTIRELY BY DONATIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY.

September 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

THE FATHER FRED FOUNDATION IS GETTING READY FOR ONE OF IT'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISERS OF THE YEAR. IT'S THE FATHER FRED FALL GARAGE SALE. DONATIONS COLLECTED THROUGH-OUT THE YEAR ARE PUT OUT FOR SALE.

FROM FURNITURE TO CLOTHING TO BOOKS AND TOYS YOU CAN FIND ALL SORTS OF GREAT DEALS.

September 10, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE IN THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA CAME TOGETHER TODAY TO HELP IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OTHERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. TODAY IS THE UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING. IN ALL ABOUT 800 VOLUNTEERS DONATED THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO HELP WITH NEARLY 80 COMMUNITY PROJECTS.

September 22, 2009

Time:6:00-6:30pm

Duration :30

A PANTRY IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY IS AIMING TO HELP YOUNG FAMILIES STRUGGLING WITH THEIR FINANCES. THE GRAND TRAVERSE BABY PANTRY RECENTLY MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION ON BOON STREET IN TRAVERSE CITY. THE PANTRY PROVIDES SUPPLEMENTAL HELP FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN UP TO THREE YEARS OLD.