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Cheers To The 2022 Makers Trail **Festival**

The Greater Bridgman Area Chamber & Growth Alliance outdid themselves once again with the 2022 Makers Trail Festival at Weko Beach. Saturday, June 11th was a perfectly overcast, 74 degree day, and the happy faces of festival attendees filled the many tents and event space, eager for local tastings and a day of enjoy-

The Makers Trail Festival is a massive undertaking, set up for nineteen different Makers pedaling beverages to sip and savor, live music, and food trucks, and with the added help of over 120 volunteers, the organizations involved built another outstanding festival.

"We weren't sure what to expect, being that the festival hasn't happened for the last two years, but clearly people missed it and were incredibly excited to be back! It was a huge success," says Sarah Spoonholtz, Director of Membership and Events at the Southwest Michigan Regional Chamber. Local wine, beer, cider, and spirits flowed from bottle to taster, from small sample size to full glasses of fun.

A refreshing breeze from Lake Michigan carried the aroma of many foods served by multiple food trucks through the crowds of people; some in beach chairs waiting for the bands to begin, some standing in line to satisfy hungry bellies. South Shore Ovenworks, Don Chepe, Water & Wheat, Small Town Grounds, and Wood, Stock, & Grill provided a delicious assortment of foodstuffs: wood fired pizza, Volkswagensmoked BBQ, tasty tacos, cold brew, slushies, and plant-based cuisine. The fresh flavors of Summer complimented each beverage quite deliciously, and by the end of the evening, most vendors were sold out of multiple items. Water & Wheat collaborated with Peat's Cider Social to produce a delicious cider-infused vegan brat, illustrating how hyperlocal (and exciting) our 'eats and drinks' are in Southwest Michigan.

Live music is a huge draw to the Makers Trail Festival, and many guests camped out for the entire day to hear the fantastic musical stylings of Pablo's Great Revenge, Edgar Willbury Experience, The Tribute Band, and Top Secret. These talented local bands entertained the masses with rock, country, classics, and covers, and

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It is officially summer! While the amount of fun and interesting things to do increases during this season we want to highlight a few to give you a flavor for this year's offerings.

Independence Day. Join the Southwest along the Lake Michigan shoreline, but the Michigan Symphony Orchestra, July 3, for best viewing will be from Tiscornia and the annual celebration of America's birth- Silver beaches. day. Don't miss patriotic favorites including Tchaikovsky's rousing 1812 Overture, with the 4th of July Parade in South Haven, and a thunderous fireworks display overhead.

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the Pickle Festival in Berrien Springs. The Pickle Festival returns in 2022 with an exciting event perfect for the whole family! Visit the website or the Berrien Springs Pickle Festival Facebook page for more detailed information, but the tentative lineup includes: Pickle Fling, Big Wheel Races, Old-fashioned (Pickle) Games, Vendor Alley, Pickle Decorating Contest, Pickle Decorating Booth, Stump Speeches, Pickle Recipe Contest, Pickled Piper Tasting Room, and a Pickleball Tournament. The festival will run from 11am to 4pm and will be followed by the 4th of July Parade through downtown Berrien Springs. Events will be located at the History Center at Courthouse Square and the Berrien Springs Community Library.

Following the 4th of July weekend is one of the biggest events of the year, the 60^{th} Annual Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff, July 9 (10am-6pm) and 10 (10am-5pm). Krasl Art Center is thrilled to celebrate the 60th Art Fair on the Bluff. Experience the talent of 172 artists from across the United States while enjoying the views and breezes of Lake Michigan and the charm and hospitality of St. Joseph, Michigan, at this ticketed event. Let their 400+ volunteers help you discover all the Art Fair offers, and please support the professional artists with a purchase to be enjoyed for years to come!

To kickoff the Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff, a 60th Birthday Celebration will be held during the 2022 Krasl Art Fair Block Party, July 8 (5-10pm). Enjoy beer and wine, food trucks and entertainment as we celebrate the 60th Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff. Meet the exhibiting artists and mingle with the community as they kick off a monumental event. The entertainment includes Saxsquatch & Bridge Band and Jordon Hamilton Trio.

Also, July 10 is The Collective Artisan Market at the Round Barn Estate. A curated artisan pop-up event! They have partnered with The Collective, a community for entrepreneurs in Northern Indiana and Southwest Michigan. Members of The Collective are all entrepreneurs who are committed to lifting up other small business owners and giving back to their community. Shop small and support 75+ locally owned small businesses.

There are concerts, performances, artisan fairs, art classes and all kinds of fun and interesting things to do in Michigan's Great Southwest happening this summer. Be sure to visit www.swmichigan.org for the complete list and details on everything that is listed. We'll be back in a couple of weeks with more ideas on how to get more fun out of your summer. Stay tuned!

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Dave Says

Doesn't sound like fun to me!

Dear Dave.

Sometimes on vacation trips I like to check out casinos. I

always account for the money I wager in my budget, and I never spend more than I've allotted. How do you feel about gambling at a casino, as long as you limit your spending this way?

Carson

Dear Carson,

Ok, I'm going to be honest about this. When someone tells me they gamble for fun or recreation, my first thought is they're crazy—crazy enough to think they'll actually come out ahead. I mean, you might see a news story once in a while about someone winning big money in a casino, but that almost never happens. Think, too, about how much cash those folks flushed down the toilet previously while gambling. In reality, there's a strong chance they didn't really "win" anything. They probably just recouped a small portion of their previous, substantial losses.

I know, all this probably makes me sound old and out of touch. But I just don't get the concept of gambling "for fun." I don't find it thrilling or exciting to lose money I've worked hard to earn, even if there are flashing lights and a party going on. Don't get me wrong, my wife and I include "fun money" in our budget every month and do things we enjoy. But, to each his own, I guess.

Still, my advice would be don't waste your time and money on that stuff. One way or another, the house always wins. It's your money, and you can what you want with it, Carson. But think about this: Why do most of the folks sitting at slot

machines and card tables look like they can't afford to lose money? The majority look desperate, some even angry, and that's sad. I don't know, maybe it's the lighting or some other strange coincidence.

Yeah, I don't think so.

— Dave

* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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Makers, sponsors, and organizers alike were elated with the efficiency, grandeur, and overall success of the Makers Trail Festival:

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'I'm so happy you asked me to work Weko!!! I'm in for next year!" says Robin Carey, first-time volunteer.

they had fun as well. We can't wait until next

"I had a blast yesterday pouring beers at the Makers Trail Festival 2022. The best part was seeing and hugging so many good friends, and singing and dancing along to all the bands! Southwest Michigan has such an amazing community of makers, including my new friends at Silver Harbor Brewing Company," adds Maria Rosner, volunteer.

With an estimated 2,500 people in attendance this year, the Makers Trail Festival has proven to be a staple for Summer in Southwest Michigan. Exhibited is the fun-loving nature of our locals, the hardworking perseverance of our regional Makers, and how we continue to support.

uplift, and encourage one another in business. friendship, and community.

The Makers Trail was created by the Southwest Michigan Tourist Council, and serves as a travel guide of makers, distillers, wineries, breweries, and restaurants that celebrate the pourable products of Southwest Michigan, made in Southwest Michigan. To learn more about the nineteen makers that served at the 2022 Makers Trail Festival and the sponsors that made the event possible, visit makerstrail.org. Congrats on a great success!

Benton Harbor Finds Innovative Solution To Youth Summer Blues

Michigan Works is teaming up with the city of Benton Harbor for the city's summer youth employment program. Program coordinator Corey Sterling tells WSJM News the city is look-

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"It's pretty much a partnership between Michigan Works, Kinexus, and the city on employing a lot of youth, meaning we're looking to employ 150 youth throughout the city of Benton Harbor," Sterling said. "They'll be doing various jobs landscaping at the city parks. The first three parks will be Broadway Park, Union Park, and Hull Park. They'll also be touching some of the smaller parks. Also, they'll be doing special projects throughout the city. It all relates to landscaping.

Sterling says the city started the summer youth employment program for several reasons.

"They did it last year," Sterling said. "It was very successful last year so they were able to grow the program and just give the kids something to do, to put some money in their family pocket and help out as much as possible as far as any kind of violence, just giving the kids something positive to do

They pay for the youths varies depending on their age.

"If they're 14 or 15, they'll make ten dollars per hour. 15 through 18 will make \$15 per hour." We asked how such a program is funded.

"Various grants. So, the city has the Community Development Block grants, through other grants, and Kinexus has federal grants, the WIOA program and DOJ. So, it's just tons of grants that ask for requirements. The requirements would be the income verification of the kid's parents. The role of Michigan Works is onboarding the kids, signing them up in their program because when the youths complete the work experience with the city, they'll be able to stay in the program with Kinexus for a year. So, it's a win-win for Kinexus. The city is responsible for placing the kids and supervising. Kinexus is the employer for 16 through 19, while the city is the employer for the 14 and 15-year-olds."

The program held a full week of sign-up days at Benton Harbor High School in June. Before it started, Sterling told us they already had about 70 young people signed up. He predicted the summer youth program would reach its goal of hiring 150 youths by the time the week would be over. Those who attended the events at the high school had to bring along photo identification, social security card, birth certificate, and a parent or guardian. Parents were required to provide income verification with a tax form or two paycheck stubs.



We told Sterling it sounds like Benton Harbor's summer youth employment program has been a success.

'We've been doing robocalls, social media, WSJM, The Herald Palladium. The goal is just to make sure our residents informed. Last year, we hired 65 youths, but it was all through the city of Benton Harbor, before the partnership this year.

Regarding the city's summer youth employment program Benton Harbor Mayor Marcus Muhammad said the "program in addition to helping the youth and their families financially, will also provide a meaningful diversion from some of the violence impacting youth in our community.'

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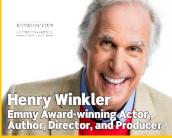
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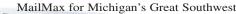


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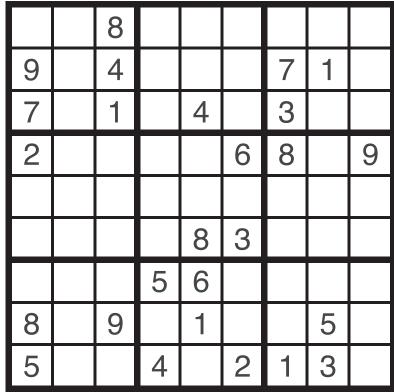
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me a bad card the other day. A pop music station was playing when I turned on my car, and it was airing "Africa," a 1982 ditty from a band

called Toto. It immediately took up residence in my brain. It's now been there for a full week.

Granted, "Africa" is okay, as far as it goes. Which isn't far. Upon first hearing it in the car, I thought, as I always do, that the lyrics are largely gibberish.

How about this gobbledygook: "The wild dogs cry out in the night/As they grow restless, longing for some solitary company." Hmmmmm. There's being solitary and there's having company, but "solitary company"?

How about in the chorus, "Gonna take some time to do the things we never had." Hunh? - do we "do" the "things we have"?

Then there's a bit about Kilimanjaro, the famous mountain in Tanzania, rising like Olympus, the famous mountain in Greece. Uhhhh, Kilimanjaro is, like, more than twice as tall as Olympus. Maybe the lyric should've said "As sure as Kilimanjaro rises like two Olympuses above the Serengeti." (Sounds awkward, true, but not any more awkward than lots of stuff in this song.)

I shouldn't spend an entire column kvetching about this silly pop song, EXCEPT, when I surfed around the internet looking for opinions about it, I discovered the ludicrous misconception that science has proven that "Africa" is the BEST SONG EVER!

Color me flabbergasted!!

I mean, c'mon, the band almost didn't include it on the album it appears on. Actual members of Toto have described it as "dumb," "an experiment," and admit that some of the lines are "goofy" - they singled out that Kilimanjaro line in particular!

This does not appear to faze the people who love the song. For example:

An MP3 player and six speakers in an undisclosed spot in Africa's Namib Desert is set on a continuous loop to play the only song stored on it - Toto's "Africa." Thanks to solar powered batteries, it will theoretically NEVER STOP PLAYING Toto's "Africa."

There's a Twitter feed called "africa by toto bot." It requires zero human intervention, and





The Universe dealt does nothing but tweet the lyrics to the song. One line at a time. One line every three hours.

> As for the "assertions that "Africa" is the scientifically greatest song EVER: This stems from a 2017 article on the online tech website Gizmodo. They/It asked three neuroscientists and music enthusiasts to weigh in on scientific evidence for ID'ing a "best-ever" song. This was after an author named Tom Cox had tweeted, reasonably, that there isn't one.

> Cox inadvertently started a massive tweetstorm, including this simple reply: "No, it's Africa by Toto." After Gizmodo told the neuroscientists how many tweets supporting THAT one had rolled in, New York University professor David Poeppel said, or more precisely, according to grammy.com, said JOKINGLY, "Science says 'Africa' is the best song ever made. Says a scien-

> Sigh. Well, I'm willing to forgive Poeppel for lame "scientific" validation to the song's adherents, on one condition: He cures me of my "Africa" earworm! Maybe by getting me a new one, say, what science says is the second-best song EVER. (Please please PLEASE don't let it be "Achy Breaky Heart"!)

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Last year marked the return of the Pickle Festival after a 16-year hiatus, and having volunteered that day, none of us had any idea of the success we would be witnessing! Nearly 2,000 people descended on the History Center at Courthouse Square/1839 Courthouse and Berrien Springs Community Library grounds for all things pickles on the 4th of July. For 2022, the committee expanded the festivities to include a Pickle Festival preview weekend, "Where's Dillard?" scavenger hunt, recipe contest, and a pickleball tournament, all on top of the 2022 festival planning!

Regional Director,

SMR Chamber

Included in the preview weekend was a golf outing with the Berrien Springs/Eau Claire Rotary on Friday. Saturday evening's coronation of our 2022 Pickle Festival Grand Dillmeister Winston Nwoke, our 2022 Pickle Festival Royalty: Princess Lena Schultz, Junior Miss Gabriella Hill, and our Miss Pickle Festival Madylin Keigley - who I've been told has a love for pickles that is UNMATCHED to others! Sunday morning, we gathered at the Andreasen Center for Wellness at Andrews University for the "In a Pickle 5K" which took over 75 runners on a scenic trek across campus. This inaugural race featured a mix of runners and walkers of multiple ages, a few dogs, and a guy who ran in a pickle costume!

You can explore some of the businesses in Berrien Springs with the "Where's Dillard" scavenger hunt taking place June 26th through 30th. Hints for where he's hidden will be available on the Festival's Facebook page. You can

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Have a great pickle recipe? Enter the recipe contest by dropping off a copy of your recipe and a properly sealed jar, clearly marked and dated to Village Hall by Tuesday, June 28th. There are four different categories that you can enter in: traditional dill pickles, unique dill pickles, sweet pickles, and other pickled vegetables. A couple of things to note with this: no open or unsealed jars will be allowed, and jars must include the type of pickle and canning date. Winner will be announced during the 2022 Pickle Festival.

The actual Pickle Festival itself will take place on Monday, July 4th from 11:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. and will feature big wheel races for the kids, a pickle toss, lawn games, the pickled piper tasting room with a wide variety of interesting pickle flavored items, vendors, pickle decorating and so much more! It's going to be a fantastic day of friends, family, community, and of course pick-

If that's not enough, start your day at 7:30 a.m. with the Berrien Springs Oronoko Township Fire Department's pancake breakfast before heading over to the festival at 11:00 a.m. At 4:00 p.m. the 4th of July parade through downtown Berrien Springs will happen. At 5:00 p.m. the American Legion will be doing a street dance. Then end your night with fireworks at the Berrien County Youth Fairgrounds at dusk!

I'd like to take a moment to recognize my fellow pickle committee members who have been working for months to put together a bigger and better Pickle Festival for 2022: Kelly Ewalt, Village of Berrien Springs; Rhiannon Cizon, Berrien County Historical Association, Kristina Knezic, Berrien Springs Community Library; Rachel Keele, Andrews University / Andreasen Center for Wellness; Gail Fox, Berrien Springs Public Schools, and Sheila Snyder, SS Website

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goals? What aspirations do you have? Where do you see yourself in five,

a certain company or in a certain part of the country. Perhaps you have an amazing retirement mapped out in your mind. Or it could be that you have the dream of being financially independent and traveling the world. Whatever dream you may have, it will only be achieved through action. We are encouraged to chase our dreams and work towards our goals.

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Christ has achieved the ultimate goal for us. As you chase your dreams here on earth, always

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> Prayer: Dear Lord, heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus to win my salvation. Help me to keep my eyes on my heavenly home and bless me as I set goals for my time here. Help me to always glorify you. Amen.

> > Submitted by:Pastor Glenn T. Rosenbaum Administrative Pastor Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Joseph Originated by: www.What AboutJesus.com

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The job site and the Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting is located at 601 Port Street, St. Joseph MI 49085. The meeting is Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 9:00 am.

If you have questions do not hesitate to call Nicol Brown, Executive Director, 269-999-0740 or Ade Adewoye, Architect, at 269-429-7000.



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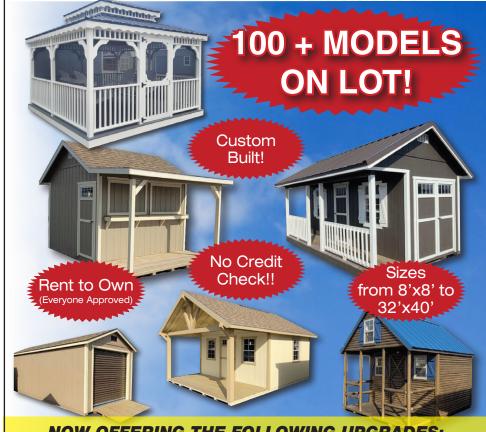








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After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492) at the Bridgman City Clerk's office, located at 9765 Maple St., Bridgman, MI 49106 at the following times:

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- Saturday, July 30, 2022, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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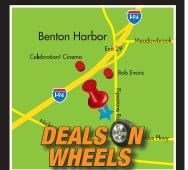
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