

MANISTEE



NATIONAL FOREST FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, JULY 4

- 9:45 a.m.** **FLAG RAISING CEREMONY:** National colors will be raised up on the flagpole. Presented by Manistee Area Veterans at the corner of Division and River Street.
- 10 a.m.** **INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE:** Travels west on River Street from Division Street to First Street to the Armory parking lot. This fantastic parade highlights the festival. Entry forms available from the Greater Manistee Area Chamber of Commerce or www.manisteecountychamber.com.
- 10 a.m.-1 p.m.** **FOREST TOUR (BUS TOUR):** Tour the Manistee National Forest and private lands highlighting current and past forest management practices. Limit to 40 people - no charge. Tour will include a lunch of sandwich, chips and soda while en route. Call the Manistee Ranger District for reservations at (231) 723-2211. Bus provided by Dial-A-Ride. Sponsored by MichiTree, Inc. and USDA Forest Service
- 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.** **I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE RAILROAD:** The Lyman Building, 425 River St. Students-\$1, Adults-\$3, Adult Couples-\$5, Families-\$7, museum members and invited guests-free
- 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.** **MANISTEE WORLD OF ARTS & CRAFTS:** Juried arts and crafts show in beautiful tree lined park, 80 vendors will display their art and fine crafts, food and music. Red Szymarek Park on Fifth Avenue. FREE ADMISSION
- 10 a.m. – Dusk** **FESTIVAL MARKET PLACE & FOOD VENDORS:** First Street Beach.
- 10 a.m. – Dusk** **WHISPERING PINES ANIMAL KINGDOM:** First Street Beach entertainment site. NO CHARGE.
- 11 a.m.** **MASTERS OF THE CHAINSAW, X-TREME POWER SCULPTURE:** Prepare to be amazed as a master carver from Masters of the Chainsaw turns an ordinary log into a work of art! All pieces will be auctioned off daily after the final performance, minimum bid of \$150. Proceeds benefit the Manistee National Forest Festival. Festival Entertainment Site, Douglas Park, First Street Beach. NO CHARGE FOR VIEWING.
- 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.** **HISTORIC TROLLEY TOURS:** Last trip leaves at 4 p.m. Historic narrated tour of Manistee. \$6 per person, \$3 for disabled and children. Manistee County Transportation, 231-723-6525.
- 12 p.m.-Dusk** **SCHMIDT AMUSEMENTS CARNIVAL:** First Street Beach.
- 1 p.m.-4 p.m.** **GUIDED TOURS OF HISTORIC BABCOCK HOUSE:** 1880's Manistee lumberman's mansion, listed on state and national register of historic places. 420 Third St., 231-723-9803, \$5 per person.

- 1 p.m.-7 p.m.** **VISIT DOUGLAS VALLEY ORGANIC VINEYARD COMMUNITY:** Michigan's first and only organic farm vineyard community, offering a wine and hard cider Tasting House, and an organic Farm Market, surrounded by rolling hills of orchards and vineyards with a panoramic view of Lake Michigan. Tour the property on a horse drawn Hay Ride (\$5.00 charge per passenger- children 5 and under free), or visit the Tasting House and Farm Market at no charge. Take M-22 north two miles to Schoedel Road, then right 1/2 mile. Ph. (231) 233-6563.
- 3 p.m.** **MASTERS OF THE CHAINSAW, X-TREME POWER SCULPTURE:** Prepare to be amazed as a master carver from Masters of the Chainsaw turns an ordinary log into a work of art! All pieces will be auctioned off daily after the final performance, minimum bid of \$150. Proceeds benefit the Manistee National Forest Festival. Festival Entertainment Site, Douglas Park, First Street Beach. NO CHARGE FOR VIEWING.
- 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m.** **MANISTEE LIONS CLUB FISH BOIL:** Festival Tent, First Street Beach. \$7.50 for adults, \$3 for children.
- 5 p.m.** **MASTERS OF THE CHAINSAW, X-TREME POWER SCULPTURE:** Prepare to be amazed as a master carver from Masters of the Chainsaw turns an ordinary log into a work of art! All pieces will be auctioned off daily after the final performance, minimum bid of \$150. Proceeds benefit the Manistee National Forest Festival. Festival Entertainment Site, Douglas Park, First Street Beach. NO CHARGE FOR VIEWING.
- 6 p.m.-8 p.m.** **OPENING RECEPTION FOR ART EXHIBIT PLEIN AIR:** The exhibit features artists who work (paint) outside. Plein Air is a French term, which means in the open air. Landscape artists capture the light and color of every day subjects in their natural setting. Ramsdell Theatre – Hardy Hall, 101 Maple St. Presented by Manistee Art Institute.
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- 7 p.m.** **AC'S FIRST STREET TAVERN BED RACE:** 5 person teams race beds on wheels while wearing sleeping attire. One person must ride and four must push the bed. Prizes for fastest bed, best dressed team and most unique bed. First Street from Hancock to Grant Street. Entry information available from AC's First Street Tavern, 231-723-1031. NO CHARGE
- 8 p.m. - Close** **ENTERTAINMENT AT THE FESTIVAL TENT:** Festival Tent, First Street Beach. The featured band will be Onager. Sponsored by Custom Sheet Metal & Heating, Inc. and Dave's Auto Repair & Detailing.