

Thursday, September 15, 1983 O&E

# Festivals spice state's September

## Autumn's approach lends a merry air to Michigan

There is still time to take advantage of 1983 fairs and festivals in Michigan.

The Renaissance Festival will continue for the next two weekends, this Saturday and Sunday and Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24-25, at the Colomble Center in Clarkston. Today through Saturday there are harvest festivals in Marquette and Scottville.

Festivities also go on through this weekend at the Mum Festival in Mt. Morris, the Harvest Festival in Vernon and Down Home Days in Mason. The Farm City Festival in Mt. Clemens continues through Saturday, Sept. 24.

Ablon celebrates Festival of Forks this Saturday. You can join the Folk Life Festival in Hastings, the Historic Home Tour in Milford or the Festival of Places in Lake City Saturday and Sunday. Cranbrook Institute of Science holds its Honey Harvest this Saturday and Sunday and Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24-25. The Heritage Arts Festival, Big Rapids, is this Saturday through Sunday, Sept. 25.

Ionia holds its Fall Festival Sunday, Centerville holds the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Sunday through Saturday, Sept. 24. Friday through Sunday, Sept. 23-25, are the weekend dates for Four Flags Apple Festival, Niles; Log-Jam-Boree, Ewen; and the Autumn Harvest Festival at Greenfield Village, Dearborn.

Saturday, Sept. 24: Fall Festival, Homer; Historic Home Tour, Owosso; Indian Summer Festival, Saginaw; Fallburg Fall Festival Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24-25. Hilldale County Fair Sunday through Friday, Sept. 23-30.

For information on any of these Michigan activities call toll-free 1-800-292-5404 or 1-800-292-2520. You also can contact the Michigan Travel Bureau at P.O. Box 30276, Lansing 48909 or any of the four regional tourist associations.

Travel information centers scattered on main roads throughout Michigan also can provide you with information, as can the chambers of commerce in the cities you wish to visit.

The first annual Grand Traverse Wine Festival will be Friday, Sept. 23, to Sunday, Sept. 25, on the grounds of the Chateau Grand Traverse Winery. The winery is an Old Mission Peninsula, near Traverse City.

The three-day event will run from noon to 8 p.m. each day. There is no admission fee to the festival. Tents will be set up for wine tasting and for the serving of ethnic foods, wine and beer.

The Northwestern Michigan Artists and Craftsmen Association will hold an art show from noon to 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Tours of the winery and vineyards will be held every hour during the festival.

A foot race called the Vineyard Run will start at noon on Sunday from the Lighthouse at the northern end of the peninsula and finish at the vineyard. This is described, in runner's language, as a 15K race. Runners should contact Bill Skolnik at (616) 945-2600.

A bike tour will take place 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

For further information, contact the Travel and Tourist Association of Southeast Michigan, 64 Park St., P.O. Box 1590, Troy 48069-1590; (313) 585-8220.

the festival, contact tau Grand Traverse

Winery at (616) 223-7355. The festival is scheduled only a week or two before harvest, so it should be an interesting time to visit the vineyards.

**TIGER FANS:** Contact Pat Carrier at 552-6810 if you want to join her Tiger Travels, to see the Detroit Tigers in Boston this Friday through Sunday or in Baltimore Tuesday through Thursday, Sept. 27-29. She'll also take a \$75 deposit from you, before Thursday, Oct. 20, to hold space for her trips to Lakeland, Fla., during spring training March 11 through April 1. Pat also is planning the Enos Cabell-Lance Parrish First Annual Golf Outing for Wolverine Golf Club on Monday; call 552-9816.

**GOLFER'S ALERT:** Private pilots can fly into Boyne Mountain, take limousine service to Boyne Mountain Lodge or Alpine Golf Course, play golf and fuel up for a return flight. The airstrip is 4,200 feet.

If you fly in at least three passengers to the Boyne Mountain Golf Resort, you'll get a free round of golf and free overnight accommodations. Contact Boyne Mountain at (616) 548-2411.

**SAGINAW:** The Downtown Farmer's Market is held every Tuesday and Friday at 1435 S. Washington Ave. through Saturday, Oct. 15. If you are traveling to the area, call (517) 754-6004 for information on the Saginaw Flea Market, held Thursdays, and (517) 752-8263 for the Downtown Flea Market held Fridays and Saturdays.

You also should consider a wine tour at St. Julian Wine Company (517) 652-3281, or the Leelanau Winery (517) 652-3171, both nearby in Frankenthum. The Saginaw County Fair is at 2071 E. Genesee in Saginaw through Saturday. The Saginaw Community Concert at the Civic Center, 303 Johnson St., is Monday, Sept. 26.

**CLOSE TO HOME:** The Jaycees will hold a Doughnut Festival at Antique Village in Orion Township Friday through Sunday. There is a Street Art Fair in downtown Rochester Saturday and Sunday, with a five-mile run called the Apple Ambles launching the affair on Saturday.

The Detroit News Grand Prix will be held at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn on Sunday. A World of Energy Show is on at the Genesee Valley Center in Flint Tuesday through Sunday, Sept. 20-25. There is a Doll and Miniature and Antique Show at Westland Center and the Clinton Fall Festival, Friday through Sunday, Sept. 23-25.

At September ends, and we move into the first days of October, the season winds up with a Fine Arts Show Wednesday through Sunday, Sept. 28-Oct. 2, at Northland Center; the Old World Market at the International Institute in Detroit, and an Energy Expo at Oakland Mall in Troy, both Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 29-Oct. 2. The Oktoberfests begin with the Dearborn Oktoberfest Friday, Sept. 30, through Sunday, Oct. 2.

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Michigan in autumn offers many a scenic view such as the old schoolhouse nestled in the woods above. Travelers can combine late-summer, early-fall sightseeing

with trips to some of the many special events taking place throughout the state the rest of this month.

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### Swiss bliss

Towards the end of September, visitors to Switzerland can enjoy many different folk festivals connected with the fall alp descents. When snow is in the air, it is time to bring the cows down from their

alpine summer pastures (right). It is also time to distribute the cheese and enjoy folk dancing, yodeling, flag throwing and alpmort blowing.

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