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Last week there was an explosion and fire at a house on Kendaville Road near Five Corners. One man was injured, but he is recovering okay.

Next week we will have a report on the Montcalm County 4-H Fair in Greenville.

## Spring Forecast

**Thu** 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, high 81. E wind 6 to 8.

**Thu Night** Showers likely before 2am, then a chance of showers after 2am. Mostly cloudy, low 65. Precipitation 60%.

**Fri** Chance of showers. Partly sunny, high 84. Precipitation 50%.

**Fri Night** Chance of thunderstorms before 8pm. Mostly cloudy, low 64.

**Sat** Mostly sunny, high 86.

**Sat Night** Partly cloudy, low 64.

**Sun** Chance of showers. Mostly sunny, high 90.

**Sun Night** Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, low 68.

**Mon** Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, high 84.



## Summerfest 2025



Patti Cowden of The Gathering Place offered a free book to every child who attended the Southside Street Party last Friday.

By Linda Huckins

This past week was the annual Summerfest celebration in Lakeview. The event kicks off the festival season in the area. It was a fun-filled five days for the whole family.

The week started off on Tuesday night with Music of Praise in Lakeside Park. This annual event is sponsored by local churches and is an evening of praise music. What a way to start any celebration.

The next night (Wednesday) was the first Music in the Park concert for the season. The featured band was a local fan favorite, The Gravel Ridge Band. Come out to the park every Wednesday night throughout the summer and enjoy an evening of music. Concerts start at 7 p.m. Bring a lawn chair. Each night features a different musical group.

Thursday through Saturday were village-wide yard sales, a book sale at Tamarack District Library and sidewalk sales all through the downtown area

plus open house at the museum. If you haven't visited the museum, you should. Learn about the history of Lakeview.

The Southside Street Party kicked off the weekend on Friday with food trucks, bounce houses, games, face painting, a bake sale, blood pressure checks, and the fire department's foam pool – just to name a few events.

Organizer Vickie Basney said that this is the Southside Street Party's fourth year. She said, "Most of Summerfest is held downtown. I started our event because I felt there is nothing going on at this end of town. I wanted people to see what is in our area."

One special table at this year's party was from The Gathering Place and was manned by Patti Cowden. She sat at a table full of colorful children and young adult books.

"Every child gets to pick out one book for free," she said.

The whole front row of books at her table came from the Tamarack District

Library's book sale.

In addition to the books children pick, each child gets a Michigan coloring book.

At the Community First Federal Credit Union's table, Gabby Dobbastine was collecting donations for the credit union's Community Care Membership Grant.

The credit union also sponsored the bounce houses.

A big hit every year is the fire department's foam pool. It looked like it would be fun to sit in the cool foam in that pool on such a hot day.

Basney wanted to thank her sponsors – businesses and churches. "This would not be possible without them," she said. She also thanked Ramon Holcomb for all his help.

Saturday started off at Lakeview's Municipal Airport with a Fly-In Pancake Breakfast that was held in one of the hangars. If you owned a small plane, you could fly in, but most people just drove to the event. The breakfast cost \$10 per person.

After breakfast, people could walk around the field and get a close-up look at the planes. There was also a raffle and Hannah Slavens of Jamboree Home Bakery was selling her aviation-themed cookies. Yum.

The 2025 Fly-in Breakfast proceeds will go to purchase a Say Weather system for the airport. This system will benefit pilots flying into Lakeview. Because our little airport doesn't have a control tower, the Say Weather system will give pilots weather conditions in Lakeview. With just a click of a switch, a pilot could access the Say Weather system and know what conditions they are flying into.

The Lakeview Community Wellness Center held its annual 5K race. See the article in this issue for race details and winners. Thank you, Luann Koester, for covering this event for us.

Other events throughout Saturday included Disc Golf at the Lakeview Middle School, a craft and ven-

dor show downtown, bounce houses and inflatables, a car show and Dyno Testing, kiddie tractor pulls, ice cream at the Lakeview Elevator, live entertainment in the beer tent and, of course, the Summerfest Parade. There were no grand marshals for the parade this year.

The car show had 120 registered to participate, but in reality 140 plus showed up. Organizer Trent Marcks of On the Marck Detail was pleased with the turn out. This was Marcks first year running the event.

Trophies were given out for Best Car, Best Truck, Best Motorcycle, Kids Choice and Pin-Up Choice. Trophy winners will be in next week's paper.

The long day ended at Lakeside Park with the annual fireworks display.

Thank you to the Lakeview Festivals Committee for all their hard work and organization. If you see these people about town, be sure to thank them for a great festival.

Festivals Committee Board Members: Dominic Trevino – President, Chad Lincoln – Vice President, Holli Trevino- Treasurer, Sonni Trevino – Secretary, Greg McKenna – Trustee, Joe Sweet – Trustee, and Vicki Basney – Trustee.

Festival Committee Members: Stephanie Barone, Amanda Hansen, Ramon Holcomb, Janet Cross, Fran Wood, Trent Marcks, Laura Leppink, Makayla Knopf, and Amber Smith.

See you in June 2026 for our next Summerfest celebration. Be sure to check out Summerfest pictures on page 2.



One of the planes on display at the Fly-In Pancake Breakfast Saturday morning

Good Luck to all  
the Montcalm County  
Fair Kids!

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