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MARATHON, OTHER RACES SCHEDULED FOR SEPT. 2-3

The annual Marquette Marathon, Half Marathon, 5k and Kids Fun Run will be held Sept. 2 and 3.

The Friday, Sept. 2 Kids Fun Run will start at 7 p.m. The Fun Run will start at Lakeview Arena, cross Pine Street to the multi-use path, then continue north on the multi-use path for approximately .75 miles before turning around and returning along the same route.

The Saturday, Sept. 3 5k will start at Presque Isle and follow the multi-use path south to Fair Avenue, then west on Fair Avenue to Third Street, then south on Third Street to the finish on Michigan Street.

The Saturday, Sept. 3 marathon and half marathon begin west of the City limits and enter the City on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail. Runners are expected to arrive within the City limits at approximately 8:30 a.m., follow the trail to McClellan Avenue then continue on the multi-use path to Lakeshore Boulevard. Upon arrival at Lakeshore Boulevard, the marathon runners and half marathon runners will divide as follows:

- Marathon participants will turn south on the path to a turn around point at Founders Landing where they will then continue on the path around Presque Isle before returning south toward Pine Street.
- Half marathon participants will turn north on the path and run to Pine Street.

The marathon and half marathon will recombine at Pine Street and continue south to Fair Avenue then west on Fair Avenue to Third Street, then south on Third Street to the finish near Michigan Avenue.

The races cross numerous streets including Wilson, McClellan, Fifth, Fourth, Third, Front, Lakeshore, Wright and Hawley. Road closures include Peter White Drive at Presque Isle, Pine from Lakeshore to Fair, Fair from Pine to Third, Third from Fair to Michigan and Michigan from Third to Front.

Roads will be closed from 5 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with the exception of Michigan which will be closed to 4 p.m. All the other roads will be open with road crossings manned by volunteers and the Marquette Police who will stop cars to allow runners to cross between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at which time the road crossings will revert back to rules of the road. The public is advised to use caution when driving and to obey the police and all road crossing attendants.

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