

101 *Fun*

things to do
in **CHEBOYGAN**

- **Salmon Tournament**
- *Waterways Festival*
- *Fall Fest*

*Best
Camping
Ever!*

The crystal clear
**CHEBOYGAN
RIVER**

EXPERIENCE PIER FISHING, ENDLESS BIKE TRAILS, MILES OF SNOWMOBILING,
UNIQUE SHOPPING, SANDY BEACHES & MORE. WWW.CHEBOYGAN.COM

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1. Enjoy a relaxing paddle boat ride on the Cheboygan River!

2. Sign up on Chamber of Commerce website to receive weekly updates on events in Cheboygan: cheboygan.com

• • • **EXPERIENCE CHEBOYGAN'S COMMUNITY EVENTS & FESTIVITIES** • • •

3. FREE Thursday night concerts in Washington Park during summer months (June-August) - cheboygan.com
4. Cheboygan Business EXPO at the Cheboygan Ice Pavilion (May) - cheboygan.com
5. 4th of July Parade **Downtown** (Watch or march!) - cheboygan.com
6. Fireworks at the **Cheboygan Fairgrounds** on the 4th of July - cheboygan.com
7. Waterways Festival - family activities (June) - cheboygan.com
8. Custom & Classic Car Show **Downtown** - Cruise Night (June) - cheboygan.com
9. Downtown MusicFest & Rockin' Rivertown Ride (July) - cheboygan.com
10. Old 27 Motor Tour and Car Show - EAST SIDE (August) - cheboygan.com
11. **Cheboygan County Fair** - (August) - cheboyganfair.com
12. Salmon Tournament in **Gordon Turner Park** - family activities (August) - cheboygan.com
13. **State Street Bridge** Labor Day Walk - (September) - cheboygan.com
14. Annual FallFest – family activities (October) - cheboygan.com
15. **Cheboygan's 130th Birthday Party!** (August 23-24, 2019) - cheboygan.com
16. Top O' Michigan Boat Races - **Cheboygan River** (August) - cheboygan.com
17. Fireman's Picnic with kids and family activities - **Gordon Turner Park** (August) - cheboygan.org
18. Christmas Parade and tree lighting ceremony **Downtown** (December) - cheboygan.com

• • • **HISTORIC LANDMARKS / SITES & VENUES** • • •

19. Cheboygan Post Office (1840)
20. Old Cheboygan County Courthouse (1869)
21. Newton-Allaire House (1871)
22. St. Mary's Catholic Church (1870)
23. First Congregational Church (1871)

24. Cheboygan County Jail and Sheriff's Residence (1880)
25. Cheboygan River Front Range Lighthouse (1880) - Gift shop/tours available - Facebook (Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association)
26. St. James Episcopal Church (1880)
27. Cheboygan Crib Lighthouse (1884) - Tours available - Facebook (Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association)
28. Jacob J. Post House (1886)
29. Cheboygan Opera House (1877) - Become an usher for events - Facebook
30. "Secrets on Main" Bed and Breakfast (Sunday - Tea Room and Art Gallery!) - (1892) - Facebook - Scheduled tours available (815) 325-7204
31. Carnegie Community Center - Music/Dance/Arts - (1913) - Facebook
32. Kingston Theater (1920) - Facebook
33. Cheboygan's Bascule Bridge - (1940) - State Street Drawbridge
34. Historic Route 23

• • • TOURS / MUSEUMS • • •

35. Cheboygan Opera House: Theater productions, dance events, music concerts - Facebook
36. Coast Guard Cutter Mackinaw - cheboygan.com
37. History Center of Cheboygan County - Native American Log Cabin (late 1800's) - Facebook
38. New Beginnings Ranch - See a white buffalo - Scheduled tours and events (313) 580-6776
39. Nicholas Black River Vineyard and Winery - Free wine tasting - Facebook
40. Scrolls Unlimited, the Scroll Capital of the World - (800) 219-9019
41. Golden River Orchards - Facebook
42. Nautical North Family Adventures - Yankee Sunshine glass-bottom boat - Cheboygan River and shipwreck tours (Scuba diving and snorkeling available) - Facebook \$
43. Michigan Cranberry Company - only 1 day a year (October) \$
44. Great Lakes Air - take an aerial tour of our lakes (989) 464-2952 \$
45. Take the Plaunt Ferry from the Cheboygan River over Lake Huron to Bois Blanc Island \$
46. Anchor In Marina or Village Marina - Fishing charters \$

• • • ARTS / CRAFTS • • •

47. Mulligans - Take part in "Paint-N-Pour" once a month: paint your own work of art, while enjoying a glass of wine and camaraderie of friends - Facebook \$
48. Creation Station - Bring your kids for a unique experience of hands-on interactive projects. Right Brain Toys is also in this location, with a variety of toys, craft kits and science kits and more - Facebook \$

49. The Coop Floral Shop - offers craft classes - Facebook \$
50. Ottawa Art Park - Offers art projects for kids - Facebook
51. Cheboygan Area Public Library - cheboyganlibrary.org
52. Cheboygan Area Arts Council Arts Festival - (July) - Facebook
53. Go to the Christmas local craft shows (November)
54. Cheboygan County 4-H Life of the Straits - family activities - Facebook
55. Inspire Studio - Facebook \$

• • • **FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES - ENJOY LEARNING!** • • •

56. Visit the **Veterans Memorial Park** in honor of our veterans
57. **Pine Hill Cemetery** - Find the grave sites of the Civil War soldiers (Find the Native American monument)
58. Check out the helicopter at the VVA Chapter 274 - Facebook
59. Drive/Bike through **Historical Duncan City** or around Duncan Bay
60. **Cheboygan Public Library** - Take in the multitude of activities and offerings. cheboyganlibrary.org
61. Visit the **Chamber of Commerce** for a map of the town – or join the Chamber!
62. **Washington Park** - Book exchange and sensory musical experience
63. Enjoy the sunrises and sunsets at **Gordon Turner Park**
64. Cheboygan County Humane Society - Adopt a pet - Facebook
65. Cheboygan County Humane Society - Northern Michigan's Largest Garage Sale (August) - Facebook
66. Treasure Hunt at local yard sales
67. Get FREE WI-FI at **Festival Square**
68. Attend a Vacation Bible School program
69. Join the Northland Players - All ages! - Facebook

• • • **SUMMER IDEAS INCLUDE** • • •

• **Hiking/Running**

70. **North Central and North East State Trail** - Hike, bike, or horseback ride - trailsCouncil.org
71. **Cheboygan State Park** - Hike the trails at, picnic, swim or view lighthouse ruins. michigan.org/property/cheboygan-state-park
72. Take a drive to **Black Mountain** to walk the nature trail or hike the pathways. cheboygantrailways.com/black-lake-trail-system
73. **Major City Park** - "Storywalk" - along Cheboygan River by softball field
74. **Grass Bay Nature Preserve** - nature.org/en-us/get-involved/how-to-help/places-we-protect/grass-bay-preserve/
75. **Duncan Bay Trail - Little Traverse Conservancy** - enjoy the new boardwalks and bridge - Duncan Avenue - landtrust.org

76. **Cheboygan Locks and Dam** -
michiganwatertrails.org/location.asp?ait=av&aid=1167
 77. Walk on the pier at the mouth of the Cheboygan River
 78. Walk through **Ottawa Park** and observe the youth art works
 79. Geo-caching: There are many geo-caches throughout Cheboygan County -
geocaching.com
 80. **Gordon Turner Park**: walk to the Lake Huron watershed viewing platform, boardwalk to the lighthouse, boardwalk trail through the wetlands (great birdwatching!) - Catch a glimpse of a bald eagle over the nearby trees!
 81. Walk over the Cheboygan River on the pedestrian bridge located in
Washington Park
 82. University of Michigan Biological Station - trails and steps going down into the gorge
- **Biking/4 Wheelers**
 83. **Cheboygan Trail Head** - Enjoy a family bike ride south to Mullett Lake or Aloha State Park or northwest to Mackinaw City
 84. Spend a day riding bikes from the Coast Guard cutter location, through Duncan City, stopping quietly at the Osprey nest and the Duncan Bay preserve, and on to Cheboygan State Park, a three-mile ride
 85. Go four-wheeling just outside of town down Alpena State Road
 86. Black Mountain - ORV and mountain bikes
 87. Trail Town Tuesday - Facebook - July & August
 - **Beaches/Swimming/Water Fun!**
 88. Walk the sandy beach, swim or just dip your toes in Lake Huron at **City Beach** - (enjoy playground!)
 89. Launch your boats, canoes or kayaks at several launch sites and follow the Cheboygan River out into the Straits and Lake Huron or follow it to Mullett Lake and the Inland Lakes Waterway
 90. Visit **Aloha State Park**
 91. Look for Pudding Stones, driftwood, rare Petoskey stones along Lake Huron's shoreline
 - **Boating/Fishing**
 92. Cast a line – with easy access to Lake Huron and the Inland Waterway, head out to Elliott Creek or Duncan Bay in Cheboygan State Park for ample trout fishing - Check out the Three Free Weekend! michigan.gov (Borrow a fishing pole from the library!)
 93. Fish from the many pier locations along the Cheboygan River
 94. Kayak or canoe local lakes and rivers

95. Contact Sturgeon for Tomorrow to see sturgeon entering the Black River - Observe the baby sturgeon at the Sturgeon Hatchery
96. Check out the yachts moored at our local marinas
97. Watch local fishermen have their fish cleaned at the fish cleaning station at City Marina
98. Ask the gatekeeper at the Cheboygan Lock to tell you a little about the operation and watch a boat pass through the lock
99. Watch the boats on the river from the Lincoln Bridge, the M33 Bridge, or the Historic State Street Drawbridge
100. Watch the freighters going upbound and downbound through the Straits, from many vantage points along Lake Huron

• **Camping**

101. Cheboygan State Park (Lake Huron), Aloha State Park (Mullet Lake) Both have beaches, boat access, campsites, picnic areas, restrooms
102. Camp at Waterways Campground
103. Cheboygan County 4-H for a kid's summer camp - Facebook
104. Twin Lakes State Forest Campground

• **Playgrounds/Parks/Picnics**

105. Go to all the playgrounds in Cheboygan in one morning, ending at City Beach for a picnic
106. Drive to **Benton Township Park** and enjoy the recreation courts, nature trail and play structure
107. Play at the **Kiwanis Park** playground

• **Gardening**

108. Enjoy the Farmers Market every Wednesday and Saturday in Festival Square to enjoy locally grown fruits and vegetables, as well as flowers, herbs, homemade honey and maple syrup and jams from local farmers
109. Get involved in the community garden at Wesleyan Church or across from the Cheboygan County Fairgrounds
110. Join a farm share with Harvest Thyme Farms - Facebook
111. Join Cheboygan County 4-H - Facebook
112. Plant flowers with the Seedums Garden Club - Facebook or Perennial Garden Club
113. Enjoy the flower gardens at Hospice House/Cheboygan County Museum and the Gildner Garden
114. Visit Harvest Moon Farms vegetable stand - Facebook - summer and fall

• Sports/Recreation/Fitness

115. Watch kids play at an outdoor sport like soccer, baseball or softball. Cheer them on!!
116. Join or take in a baseball game or fast pitch softball game at the Cheboygan Little League field
117. Go to the Cheboygan Recreation Center and enjoy the activities offered there - (two weight rooms, a gym for basketball and volleyball, ping-pong, air hockey, table hockey, foosball, mini-basketball, and bumper pool)
118. Join a Little League - Softball or Baseball team - Batting cages at the Cheboygan Recreation Center
119. Sign up for yoga at Nourish (both traditional and chair yoga for the seniors of the community)
120. Join the swing dance club at the Cheboygan Carnegie
121. Join or just watch the Cheboygan horseshoe league competition
122. Enjoy events held at the Senior Center
123. Join a bowling league or do some open bowling at Spare Times Lanes with family
124. Find the Shanty Boys Baseball Club of Cheboygan on Facebook and attend their vintage games
125. Sign up for FREE Junior Golf Academy - ccjrgolfacademy.org
126. Golf at any one of three Cheboygan golf courses: Cheboygan Golf & Country Club; Rippling Rapids Golf Course; Mullett Lake Country Club
127. Join Straits Area Tae Kwon Do Academy and MUTT MMA - Facebook
128. Sign up for a dance class (adults and children) - theoperahouse.org
129. Become a River City Renegade Cheboygan's Women's Flat-Track Roller Derby Team - Facebook
130. Join Main Street Fitness or Body by Brach for everyday fitness
131. Play tennis or pickleball at the Cheboygan Intermediate School (formerly Cheboygan Middle School) (Coming soon!)
132. Run - run - run at the Cheboygan Intermediate School (formerly Cheboygan Middle School) track - (No dogs allowed)
133. Use the outdoor skateboard park at **Major City Park** (Recreation Center)
134. Bump track for bikes at **Major City Park**

• • • FALL • • •

135. Take a drive and enjoy the fabulous colors
136. Downtown Trick or Treat
137. Enjoy the Cheboygan Area High School Homecoming parade
138. Enjoy the Corn Maze (Polish Line Road)
139. Go deer hunting - bow/rifle - michigan.gov/dnr
140. Join the Cheboygan Chapter of Ducks Unlimited

• • • **WINTER** • • •

141. **North Central and North East State Trail Head** gives you the opportunity to strap on your cross-country skis or snowshoes
142. Enjoy the many groomed trails in the Black Mountain Recreation Area or Cheboygan State Park - DNR Trails
143. Snowmobile the many Cheboygan trails
144. Ice fish on Mullett or Black Lake or one of the many other inland lakes in the area
145. Go to the Downtown Christmas Parade - Stay for the tree lighting and hot chocolate afterwards at Festival Square
146. Go to the Riggsville Christmas Parade
147. Ice Skating at Cheboygan Ice Pavilion (Indoor) Facebook – Festival Square (Outdoor) - cheboygan.com
148. Join a hockey league and figure skating - Cheboygan Ice Pavilion - Facebook
149. Go sledding on the hill behind Cornerstone Christian School or at the hill off Riggsville Road
150. Cross country ski at Rippling Rapids Golf Course - Facebook

• • • **SPRING** • • •

151. Go morel mushroom hunting
152. Take in the annual Cheboygan High School musical (Spring)
153. Attend Earth Week-Plus Expo - 50 amazing things to do - Plus 6 weeks of adventures - earthweekplus.org

• • • **VOLUNTEER** • • •

- Get involved with a local church
- Political Groups - Cheboygan County Republicans or Cheboygan County Democrats
- Community Group - Cheboygan Area Arts Council, Friends of the Cheboygan Area Public Library, Cheboygan County 4-H, Friends of Ottawa Park, Habitat for Humanity, Northland Players, Sturgeon for Tomorrow, McLaren Cheboygan Campus Guild, Cheboygan Opera House, Cheboygan Humane Society (just to name a few) ...
- More Community Involvement - Cheboygan County Community Foundation, Bring It Cheboygan - Cheboygan Volunteers on Facebook
- Join a Club – Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, Lioness, K of C, Moose Lodge, Eagles, VFW, American Legion, Vietnam Vets of America, Cheboygan Yacht Club, Duncan Boat Club (just name a few) ...

Attend events that interest you and your family.

**EXPERIENCE CHEBOYGAN YEAR-ROUND!
MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**

ENTERTAINMENT / MUSIC / SPIRITS

- Black Sheep Baa and Grill - Facebook
- Cheboygan Brewing Company - Facebook
- Great Lakes Grill for family dining on the East Side - Facebook
- Hack-Ma-Tack Inn and Restaurant - Facebook
- Johnnies Bar (Live music) - Facebook
- Mulligan's Sports Bar - Facebook
- Nauti Inn Barstro (Acoustic Tuesdays and Jazz Thursdays) - Facebook
- Pier M-33 on the Cheboygan - Facebook
- Pub 27 - Facebook
- The Queens Head Wine Pub (Enjoy live music on Wednesday evenings during the summer!) - Facebook
- Eagles and Moose Clubs
- Music on Mullett
- Cheboygan Opera House - Facebook
- Cheboygan Carnegie - Facebook

EAT / DINING

- Alice's Restaurant - Facebook
- Big Dipper Ice Cream Parlor - (Closed during winter) - Facebook
- Black Sheep Baa & Grill
- China Buffet
- Dairy Queen - (Closed during winter) - Facebook
- Duncan City Pizza - Facebook
- Ellie's Place Bakery - Facebook
- Great Lakes Grill for family dining on the East Side - Facebook
- Hack-Ma-Tack Inn & Restaurant - Facebook
- Indo-China Gardens Restaurant - Facebook
- Johnnies Bar (Live music) - Facebook
- Mulligan's Sports Bar - Facebook
- Nauti Inn Barstro - Facebook
- Pier M-33 on the Cheboygan - Facebook
- Libby's Café - Facebook
- Nourish - Facebook (also has a natural-foods market)
- The Queens Head Wine Pub - Facebook
- State Street Coffee Company - Facebook
- Step Inn Restaurant - Facebook
- Up North Bakery - Facebook
- Yeck's Family Drive In - open Memorial Day - Labor Day - Facebook
- FOOD TRUCKS - Dukes Dogs/Grandpa's Goodies/Life Is Great Eat Good - Facebook
- Local Farmers Market - Festival Square - Facebook

UNIQUE LOCAL SHOPPING / BOUTIQUES / ANTIQUE SHOPS

- Awesome Blossoms - Facebook
- Beth's Flowers - Facebook
- Bittersweet of Cheboygan - Facebook
- Chelsea's Closet - Facebook
- The Coop Floral Shop - Facebook
- Court Street Antiques and Gifts - Facebook
- Creation Station and Right Brain Toys - Facebook
- Crystal Gates Collectibles - Facebook
- Dar's Hallmark - Facebook
- Flower Station - Facebook
- G's Shipping Store and More, Inc. - Facebook
- Harbor Outlet LLC - Facebook
- Johnson's Studio and Camera - Facebook
- Linde Furniture - Facebook
- Melody's Lane
- MichMash Gallery & Gifts - Facebook
- Mother Nature's Remedies - Facebook
- Music Masters - Facebook
- Ninja Monkey Tattoos - Facebook
- Purple Tree Books - Facebook
- Reusch Jewelers - Facebook
- Scrolls and More - Year-round Christmas showroom -
scrollsunlimited.com
- Simply Marcella - Facebook
- Spray's Landscaping - Facebook
- Urban Bird and Company - Facebook
- Wind Rose Gifts - Facebook
- Yesteryears Antique Store - Facebook
- Zany Kitchen Antiques - Facebook
- Sidewalk Sales - cheboygan.org
- Christmas in July Downtown Stores - cheboygan.org
- Girls Night Out (Summer and Fall) - cheboygan.org
- Hospitality Night (December) - cheboygan.org
- Men's Night Out (December) - cheboygan.org



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