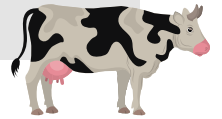




# THE MARKETING MESSENGER

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## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: CURT PATZ



In his current role of Secretary of the Stephenson Marketing Cooperative Board of Directors, Curt Patz is a vital part of our organization. He has served as a board member for about 20 years and has been doing business with SMC since 1976. He feels that being a board member is his way of being able to give back to the community. Kurt shared " Farm life has it's unique challenges, in that it's never boring. When the end of the day comes and the job is done it's satisfying." When he is not working on his farm, he enjoys hunting, motorcycle rides, and sawing lumber. We asked Kurt what his favorite holiday was and like many in the area he shared with that November 15th was his favorite holiday and his favorite place to spend his time is in his deer stand at his camp. One of the most important things to Kurt is his family, Especially his wife Mary Kay and there four children, and 12 grandchildren.

## JUNE IS NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH

Did you know that June is national dairy Month? National dairy month is an awesome time to celebrate our dairy farmers and some of our favorite foods such as; cheese, butter, milk, yogurt, and ice cream. Michigan ranks 6th in the nation for milk production. For many generations dairy farming in Menominee County has been a back bone for the local agriculture industry. There are six main breeds of dairy cows; Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, and Milking Shorthorn. An Average dairy cow produces 7 to 9 gallons of milk per day. How will you celebrate National Dairy Month?



Pictured above is Steve Brock a local dairy farmer sharing his passion for farming with his grandsons who will be the next generation of dairy farming.

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- MENOMINEE COUNTY YOUNG FARMER PROGRAM
- COUNTY FAIR UPDATE
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## SUMMER ACTIVITIES: FISHING



A favorite summer activity for many Menominee County residents is fishing. Whether you are fishing on the Bay of Green Bay, the Menominee River, or a local inland lake such as Shakey Lakes; there is enough fishing fun for everyone. While planning your next fishing trip there are a few things you might want to make sure you add to your gear list. These items include fishing poles, bait, tackle box, net, sunscreen and insect repellent. Before heading out on your next adventure make sure to visit our C-stores in both Stephenson and Powers for any last minute fishing needs. We offer a great selection of fishing tackle, bait, snacks, fishing license, and much more. Follow these fishing tips for a great summer fishing adventure.

### Fishing Tips for Kids

**\*\*Tips for Taking Kids Fishing- Hukgear.com\*\***

- Go To a Place that You Know is Active.
- Target Smaller Fish.
- Plan to Fish for About an Hour.
- Let Them Reel in the Fish.
- Remember the Snacks and Drinks.

## 2020 MENOMINEE COUNTY FAIR

Like many events this year, there will be a new look to the Menominee County Fair due to the current coronavirus pandemic. Currently the Menominee County Fair board is working with Michigan State University Extension staff to establish how a virtual fair will take place. As more information becomes available about the 2020 Menominee County Fair, you will be able to find updates on both the Menominee County Fair Facebook page as well as the SMC Facebook page.



**MENOMINEE COUNTY VIRTUAL  
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