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The Straits of Mackinac and a February to Remember

It's February in Mackinaw City, the home of the *Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum*. February, a month when the community enjoys a sleepy respite from the frantic pace of the summer season. February, a month when the silence is broken only by the deep-throated growls of the roaming packs of snowmobiles as they muscle their way over the curbs and trails on route to what dining and libation opportunities the marauders may find.



Photo Credit: The Pizza Palace.



Photo Credit: The Pizza Palace, Mackinaw City

However, this February Mackinaw City has been roused from its slumber by the sound of something vaguely familiar, a sound that triggers hazy recollections of winters from decades past—the *sound of excavators!*



Photo Credit: Norm Windsor,
Darrow Bros. Excavating

The “Beep! Beep!” of their backup alarms echo off sheer canyon walls of snow, the towering escarpments heaving higher and higher ahead of the buckets and blades because...

more snow is in the forecast!



Photo Credit: IMMM Executive Director Lisa Pallagi

Not surprising, our kids are thrilled to report that they haven't suffered through a full week of school since before Christmas break, and the round table of coffee drinkers at the local restaurant relish the telling and re-telling of epic tales of snow-blowing feats of prowess.

Yes, the only thing better than looking forward to a warm summer in Mackinaw City, is surviving a long, cold winter and all the escapades and exploits that we'll have to share with you. **THINK SPRING!**

A February to Remember—Local Videos



LEFT: [Video](#) filmed in front of Village Hall on 2/12/2019
Video Credit: James E. Tamlyn, Mackinaw City
CENTER: [Video](#) filmed in Mackinaw City on 2/20/2019
Video Credit: The Pizza Palace, Mackinaw City
RIGHT: [Video](#) filmed on the Mackinac Bridge 2/12/2019
Video Credit: Rick Weiss, St. Ignace

A February to Remember—Local Photos



*Icebreaker Mackinaw, WLBB 30
at the State Dock, Mackinaw City
February 2019*



IMMM Ticket Booth



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*Damage to truck
windshield due
to sheets of ice
falling from the
Mackinac Bridge
towers.*

*February 24,
2019*

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Nicole
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