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“Extended hours for Passport processing in October”

Traverse City – Due to the great success of the September evening processing hours we have decided to offer evening hours again in October.

According to County Treasurer Heidi Scheppe, the Treasurer’s and Clerk’s offices will be open from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28, in addition to regular hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

If you’ve never had a passport, or your children are considering going on a school trip or spring break out of the country, consider applying for one this month to get ahead of the rush.

There is an increased demand for passports, and processing time can take four to six weeks at least. “If you plan to travel outside of the United States during the 2015-2016 holidays, be sure to apply now.”

To be considered for a U.S. passport, regardless of age, an applicant must provide primary evidence of U.S. citizenship, such as a certified birth certificate. Full names of an applicant's parent(s) must be listed on all certified birth certificates.

Customers can save $94.85 by applying four to six weeks before traveling, rather than using the expedited application service.

For more information, contact the Grand Traverse County Treasurer’s office at 231-922-4737 and/or visit http://www.travel.state.gov.

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